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Teachers gather on steps of 75-year-old Pender school



When Pender residents, teachers and pupils of 75 years gathered at the Pender school on Saturday, teachers were caught in the act. Every teacher on the steps of the old school has memories of these steps. The picture represents, mostly, more recent staff.

Sewer petition close to completion in Ganges

Island water scarce

Restrictions on the use of water for outdoor purposes have been imposed in the Maliview and

Two fires on island beaches

Two campfires on Salt Spring Island brought firemen in a hurry last week.

Campfire at Rader's Beach

Active island worker
Death of Stanley Wagg after long business life here

Man who came to Salt Spring Island for a visit more than 50 years ago died last week in Lady Minto Hospital after nearly a lifetime on

the island.

He was Stanley Judd Wagg, merchant, administrator and part of the story of Salt Spring Island.

He started as driver for Salt Spring Island Trading Co. when groceries were delivered in a Model T Ford over unpaved roads. By the time he came to retire, he was manager of the same store and one of the island's leading citizens.

Past Chairman of the Islands School Board, he had taken part in the affairs of the community during his long business life.

Failing health took him out of community affairs in his latter years.

He is mourned by his wife, Ruth, at home; two daughters, Mrs. R. (Norma) Townsend, in Abbotsford and Mrs. W. (Shirley) Wandio, in Prince George; five grandchildren; one great-grandson and a brother, Cyril, in Ganges.

Funeral services on Monday drew a large crowd of old-timers to Ganges United church. Rev. Dr. Vern McEachern officiated and cremation followed. Donations were invited to Lady Minto Hospital in lieu of flowers. Arrangements were by Goodman Funeral Home.

Baby sitting instituted at

BY VALERIE RICHARDS

If you need to do your shopping, go off island, visit, or cycling and you can't take all your children there's a place they can play during your time away.

The new baby sitting service located at Valcourt Business Centre, caters to mothers who need an hour or two off.

In charge is Maya Halladay, former Miss Maya Bangert, mother of two and long time resident Salt Spring Island.

Maya first began enquiring into opening a baby sitting service in spring. On her recent opening of the play room exhibited safe features and countless toys. The baby sitting service even boasts nursery for the exhausted toddler.

Maya Halladay was born in Germany, coming to Canada in 1952. With her family she arrived on Salt Spring in 1966 to finish high school. Since graduation has lived up north five years as well as on the island.

The new baby sitting service is not a day care, emphasized Maya. The service is open from 9

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MAINLY MAYNE

BY ELSIE BROWN

Coming events include the following:
 Saturday, Aug. 20, Annual Fall Fair, 1.30 pm auspices Agricultural Society. Tommy Douglas, MP, Cowichan and The Islands, will officially open the Fair.

The usual well-known judges have consented to judge the exhibits again this year. A reminder to exhibitors - entry forms must be in by 6 pm Wednesday, Aug. 17. Entries at the hall Friday, Aug. 19, before 10 pm; paintings before 12

noon.
 Thursday, Aug. 18, at 6.30 at the Activity Centre: School Board meeting. Parents are urged to be present and island residents are welcome.

Swim classes for children under the direction of David Magnuson "Twin Totems" during July now finished. More than 70 children participated, receiving Cross badges and certificates. Meeting the Magnusons in connection with the classes was Paul Steinhilber, Area Representative, Water Safety program from Nanaimo.

SWIMMING FOR ADULTS
 Adult swim classes have begun and are being held Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7.30 am. For more info call 539-5710. So far women have been attending but men are welcome. Dr. and Dale Magnuson are responsible for this excellent activity on the island. Helping are David, Paul and Janet.

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TO BE FRANK . . .

by richards

Fish are more co-operative this year, with the Galiano Salmon Derby and the Salt Spring Legion Derby both headed up with a 27 lb. fish. Didn't even know there were any fish that size nowadays.

George St. Denis and his wife were so excited over having been married for 50 years, they forgot to mention the wires they had congratulating them. There was a message from Prime Minister Trudeau, the Governor-General; the Lieutenant-Governor; Premier Bill Bennett and Municipal Affairs Minister Hugh Curtis.

There's a big representation from Canadian organized labour right now over wage controls. Big Labour wants out and the government wants to let them out. The little guy doesn't get much say when it comes to important things like controls. But the little guy doesn't have much to say. All he knows is that once the controls come off the sky will open up and prices will disappear. Surely, Big Labour and Big Government know only too well that the lifting of controls means the end of the road for the majority of pensioners? It's not so much a matter of what the country needs: it's a matter of which segment of the populace gets helped. And the old-timer living on next to nothing simply has to learn how to live on nothing. But he knows that Big Labour and Big Government will both shed tears of sadness when they see him hungry. And he knows they'll both stamp on his fingers if he reaches out for more.

That's another beef altogether. The price of gasoline went up several times in quick succession in order to bring up Canadian prices to line up with the world price of crude oil. So we can figure it's getting high enough. But how come we pay 92 cents a gallon here, against 50 cents in the southern United States? Why isn't American oil up to the world prices? Why do Canadians have to pay twice the going rate?

The NDP and the Secreds rarely agree on anything. In the current newsletter of the constituency Secred association, there is a question mark about trade unions. The NDP

reading a fairy tale to his offspring, "Once upon a time and a half...."

It's too easy to confuse your Birrell's and your Burrell's. I think I have it straight after getting the story from Donald New. Early merchants on Galiano were the Burrell Brothers. Around the turn of the century they operated a store, which was located in the general vicinity of Ollie Garner's swimming pool. When Joe and Fred Burrell retired from merchandising the store was dragged through the bush to a new location on Sturdies Bay Road. All this is old history. For a time the Garner's operated the store, then Steve Riddell had a try at it. After that the historical confusion threatened when a Mr. Birrell took it over. He had it for a year or so. The real tale is that Burrell's gave it its start and it was Birrell's for short.

Of course you know it....brrrrp: click.....brrrrrrrrp: click. Except the last two, no click. What is it? It's dialing a Ganges number from a Ganges phone.

Keith Jackson, on Mayne Island, need say no more. "Need I say more?" he asked. Keith sent me a clipping of last week's Driftwood with a crossword puzzle. Clue was: "Name of strait between BC and Vancouver Is." Answer was Georgia. Need he say more? I don't think so!

Had a call on Tuesday from a man who wants information on federal aid for the uninsulated. He has called the provincial government and he has called suppliers but nobody knows anything about it, he stated. Maybe when Tommy Douglas is over here from Ottawa, he could tell islanders where to go. Or words to that effect.

On Sunday, August 7, the Rod and Gun Club, in conjunction with the Lions and Lionettes, hosted the nineteen young people from Victoria on the "Bunnybus", they were given a salmon dinner, and all the pop they wanted. Belonging to both clubs, the co-operation was great, it was heartwarming to see these children enjoying the meal, and they were most appreciative of things done for them. Many of the island members took advantage of

Beaver Point party for M Walter Loxton on Sunday

Beaver Point couple marked their 50th wedding anniversary last week at Beaver Point Hall.

Walter Loxton and Miss Vera King were married in Seattle in 1927. The young Mrs. Loxton was from Salt Spring Island. She was born at Beaver Point, as were her mother and father.

Her husband was an Englishman, coming to Canada by boat. He was employed by the Canadian

Pacific Railway.

In an open house in the Community Hall on Sunday they looked back down the years for half a century.

Walter Loxton left the CPR and the Orient run and came to Salt Spring Island. He switched to a smaller ship and sailed as mate on the Swartz Bay service for a

Reunion links Salt Spring and Hawaii

A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Roland on Saturday. About 75 people attended, most of them relatives of the Roland family. Four people came from Hawaii for the occasion.

Guests were treated to a variety of Hawaiian and Canadian dishes, which included lomi, poi, pineapple, kalua pig and Jack Roland's famous clam chowder.

Following the feast, entertainment was provided by a local band, Bogwater.

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Let's look to the future!

Planning and zoning are now nearly 10 years old in the Islands. On Salt Spring Island, it is 10 years since the Capital Regional Board presented the draft of By-law 66, the Salt Spring Island zoning by-law.

By-law 66 has probably been the controversial and hard-fought by-law that Salt Spring is ever likely to encounter. Since the public hearing in September of 1970, the zoning by-law has been constantly under fire or the target of criticism.

The furore which greeted zoning on the island has never fully abated. It is still the most heated subject in Island discussions. When a Victoria newspaper reporter came to the Island several weeks ago he was told of favoritism in high places and the arbitrary granting or refusing permits for development according to the identity of the applicant.

The charges were related in his report.

On Friday the minister of municipal affairs, Mr. Hugh Curtis, called an informal meeting in Victoria to investigate reports of improper issue and withholding of permits.

Spokesmen for various departments of regional government and representatives of the ministry of municipal affairs and the ministry of housing were present in company with various spokesmen for the Island.

The meeting, like a successful inquest, delved into the actions and activities of the Capital Regional Board a decade ago.

A lot of complaints were heard and a lot of explanations. Various spokesmen for the Regional Board spoke of the charges that they were playing politics with permits. All vigorously denied any such charge.

The meeting heard no substantial evidence of improper dealings.

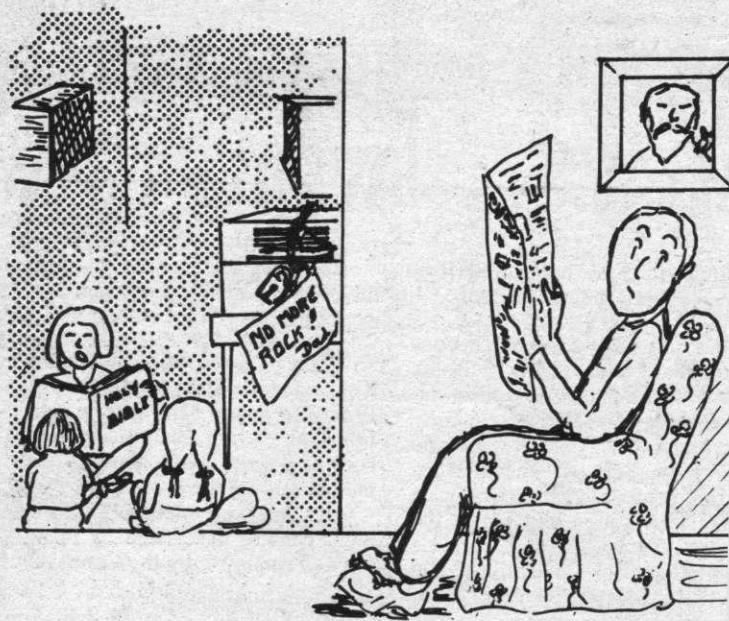
In the meantime the dispute over development on Salt Spring Island has been increasingly evident in recent months.

It is time to forget. It is time to bury the past and to let the dead bury the dead. Errors galore have been made in the handling of permits. Mistakes without number have been made by the Capital Regional District personnel and by the people of Salt Spring Island. It is human to err.

The rift in Island affairs hits nobody harder than the Island businesses whether they are involved in local dispute or not.

It is high time we abandoned past disputes and misunderstandings. It is time to look to the future, not the past. It is time to convince the island resident unaffected by disputes in Ganges that harmony is the character of Island shopping.

Quickest way to drive the customer out of the island store is to fight while he is trying to shop. He wants out and quick! Look to the future! Correct that which can be corrected and



"And then the Lord said - 'Let there be Rock Festivals!'"

one by the speaker; (c) Not all projects in the workbook were attempted due to lack of proper facilities, or?

4) What is meant by the last paragraph: "In the meantime some parents will seek a daily transportation allowance to enable students to board on Salt Spring Island."

Why would a student need daily transportation if he or she is boarding away from home?

There were other confusing remarks in this article but my letter would become too lengthy if I enumerated them all.

The overall impression this report gives of this meeting is of a very strong parental objection to the quality of the education available to the eighth and ninth grade students at the Mayne school. How many parents share this view is not indicated. It is also unclear if the problems are considered to be due to lack of facilities, students' own problems, or teachers' inadequacies.

We live in a small community, where lack of accurate information and damaging rumours go hand in hand. It is for this reason I have written to you on this matter.

(May I add that I am also a parent of a student in 8th grade this past year who was well taught and learned a lot, despite the frustrations of poor physical facilities.)

Susanne Tauber
Mayne Island, B.C.
July 29, 1977
cc. School Board District #64

BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUBS

Sir,

serve.

The meeting on Thursday will give us the chance to further discover what needs and opportunities the youth of Salt Spring have.

J.A. Norman
Director
Boys and Girls Club
1240 Yates St.
Victoria, BC

ALL DONE NOW

Sir:

I would like to make a correction to a letter to the editor signed by those of us who are circulating the Ganges sewer petition.

In the letter it stated that, at the meeting of the committee a few business people, all errors and omissions in the petition were corrected.

To set the record straight, so to speak, while it was promised that the balance would be.

I am happy to now state that they have been officially corrected.

Also I'd like to thank Valcourts for the courtesy and the way they gave me when I called them to sign the petition. They were quite satisfied and were in favour of the petition.

They recognise the great need for a sewer and will work enthusiastically to help the petition be successful.

C.J. (Chuck) Longway,
Ganges,
August 6, 1977

SEWERS

Sir,

Sewers in Ganges.....how beautiful words?

And now the cost is out. It is \$180 to \$270, annually to maintain the sewer for 25 years.

Down Through The Years With Driftwood

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Crowds of islanders and vacationers gathered on the Harbour House lawn last Wednesday afternoon to take part in the gala festivities of the annual garden fete sponsored by the island Anglican parish. Proceeds were in excess of \$900 as stalls did a brisk business during the afternoon.

The swimming classes, sponsored by the Salt Spring Island Recreation Commission, have just been completed. 41 children, 25 of whom were "absolute" beginners, finished the 16-lesson course and all are now swimming. The highly-successful course was organized by Mrs. V.A. Bishop and the instructor was Mrs. Dennis Deacon.

For Sale: 14 acres, mostly cleared. Good water. Old barn and house on property. \$7,000.

The RCMP check-up on defective cars on Salt Spring Island last week resulted in 38 people being given 'notices to repair', for such things as defective brakes, lights, etc. Nearly 200 cars went through the check-up.

TEN YEARS AGO

If all Galiano went to the arts on Saturday, it was not without good reason.

The Galiano Hall was filled with exhibits of the work of local artists and craftsmen as the annual exhibition was staged for the 14th year. The hall was divided along its full length with a collapsible partition. This temporary wall was also completely filled with the exhibits.

The first prize in the Galiano Rod and Gun Club's annual fishing derby last Sunday was won by Eddie Bambrick, who brought in a 28 lb. salmon.

Salmon-snapping seal is no newcomer to islands waters.

Last week the sad tale of Johnny Waterfall's fat salmon was unfolded in these columns. The salmon was on the line and within seconds so was the seal. Johnny pulled and the seal pulled and the seal won.

That seal is an ardent fisherman. Other fishermen have suffered the same indignity. Laurie Mouat was retailing his own experiences last week when the salmon was on his line and coming nicely before the seal snapped it. He explained that the seal would come in within 50 feet or so of the boat and then run out the line again.

Laurie had a fisherman's eye view of the whole thing but he just lacked a camera. He could see the seal's teeth buried in his salmon

Mother and pigs are all doing well.

The mother is one of six adult guinea pigs that belong to the six Besler children.

Miss Rose Murakami is back in Canada after a visit to Russia. The Salt Spring Island nurse took part in a convention of nursing in Eastern Canada before attending a gathering in Moscow.

She saw something of the country while she was away, but when they were forced to land at a military airport passengers were warned not to look out of the curtained airliner windows.

Hidden by the curtains were row upon row upon row of military aircraft.

Miss Murakami is of the faculty of nursing at the University of British Columbia.

Mark 40th year of marriage

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Foulis, of Salt Spring Island, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on June 29. Celebration took place at Hyatt House in the Executive Towers in Victoria and was staged by their daughters, Allison and Bernice, and their son, Fergie, and his wife.

Mrs. Foulis recently underwent successful medical treatment for her eyes.

Golf champs at Galiano club



Galiano Golf and Country Club held its Junior and Intermediate Championship last Sunday afternoon.

The winners were Gordon Murphy, Junior Champion; and Michael Kinahan, Intermediate

Champion.

Eight boys participated and hope that next year we will have some girls in this event.

Our thanks to Club Capt Chuck Webb and Jack Arnott their help and to Bill Beach who the presentation.

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Regional spokesmen angrily deny

There has at no time been any pressure exerted on directors of the Capital Regional District to hasten or approve zoning changes or permits, stated Chairman Jim Campbell at a special meeting on Friday afternoon in the Legislative Buildings in Victoria.

Furthermore, added the chairman of the board, directors have little to do with the ordinary processing of applications.

The chairman was followed by spokesmen for various departments of the regional district who added their own positive assurances that no staff member has been involved in impropriety in applying for any permit.

"I have never seen Mr. Toyn-

bee until today," stated Chief Building Inspector Maurice Neal. "There has never been any pressure from any business."

He cited the latest application from Mouat's, for the conversion of the former lumber and hardware sales area to individual stores.

It was processed in the normal manner by the normal staff and everything that is supposed to be checked has been checked, he added.

INFORMAL MEETING.

The statements were among those heard when Municipal Affairs Minister Hugh Curtis chaired a special, informal meeting of Salt Spring Island spokesmen and rep-

resentatives of government and the Capital Regional district.

The minister explained that he had invited various people to the gathering in order to clear the air.

Some island residents have expressed criticism of the regional district and of the provincial departments on the grounds that favouritism is shown some interests on Salt Spring Island, whereby the lucky applicants for building or rezoning permits are dealt with more promptly than those lacking influence.

The long-smouldering discontent flared into the open when the Victoria Times published a series of reports on Salt Spring Island recently, with frequent references to charges of impropriety.

INVITED TO SPEAK

The minister invited Phil and Yvette Valcourt to state instances of favouritism or improper handling of applications.

The regional by-laws should be applicable to all, urged Mrs. Valcourt, and took the meeting back to 1970, when the zoning by-law No. 66 was being introduced to control building and development on Salt Spring Island.

The Valcourt property was designated industrial and this zoning prohibited the use of the property

for retail sales, she recalled.

In July, of 1970 she had submitted 14 "briefs" to the Capital Regional Board and these had subsequently been lost, she reported.

In September of the same year when the by-law came up to public hearing she had been represented by a solicitor, who had asked for a change in zoning to commercial. It had never been zoned commercial and later she was obliged to go through the routine of applying for rezoning and facing the long delay.

Marc Holmes, who was regional director for Salt Spring Island at that time, referred back to the records of the hearing. The solicitor had made his plea at the hearing in September, 1970 and he had followed it up with a confirmatory letter to the region. In his letter he asked for the change proposed legislation whereby the Valcourt business could continue to operate. He suggested that either the business be rezoned commercial on the initial zoning map or that the permitted uses in the industrial zones be reworded to permit of the retail sales appliances and general merchandise currently offered in Valcourt store.

AMENDMENT MADE

The section of the by-law was amended to conform with the request, with the exception "general merchandise", the minister was told.

Perhaps the Valcourt company should pursue the matter with the solicitor, suggested Jim Campbell because the region had done what had been asked of it.

The problem in the first place was the property was being used for both commercial and industrial purposes and there was no provision for a double zoning of a property, the meeting was told.

The Valcourt property consists of a parcel of seven lots, four on the highway and three in behind, was noted.

Mrs. Valcourt protested the subsequent delay of 11 months when she applied for rezoning from industrial to commercial. She had challenged the action of the regional board in delaying the rezoning application on the grounds that

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he discovered that it was not zoned for the purpose.

Did he make representation regarding his zoning at the initial public hearing, Mrs. Valcourt was asked. He had not questioned it at that time, she agreed.

No action was taken for 6½ years, commented Regional Chairman Campbell. There had been no comment at the public hearing. There is no indication that the Windsors came forward at any time to question the zoning.

Jim Campbell remained adamant. The board has considered the application to rezone the Windsor property and had turned it down.

"There were a lot of people whose planning judgment said 'No,'" observed the board chairman.

Bill Windsor had operated an automobile repair service on Park Drive for a decade. The property is still zoned residential and his business is non-conforming.

Mrs. Windsor is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Valcourt.

Tom Toynbee took up the cudgels. He referred to the Times report of island resentments.

STRONG DENIAL

"I very strongly deny any attempt on our part to influence employees or directors."

He asked whether any employee of the region had been approached by himself or his associates.

The various spokesmen for the region expressed strong objection to any influence that they had been offered incentives to favour one business against another.

Dr. A.S. Arneil warned of his own reaction to such suggested pressures.

"If pressure is put on me, it makes me react negatively," he stated, "Mr. Toynbee has not put on any pressure and he has been treated exactly the same as Valcourt's or anybody else."

Yvette Valcourt cited the delay

in getting a permit for the old Malcolmson property. No one had come out to check the property, despite the fact that an application had been made for a septic tank and field, she protested.

The application was made in March and was wrongly completed, stated Dr. Arneil.

The health inspector pressed for a further application and it was also inadequate. A third application was received which did not even resemble the first two, stated the regional medical officer of health.

Second application, in May, was "incomplete, inaccurate and unintelligible," he told the meeting.

"To say we hadn't bothered is erroneous," said the doctor, "We never had an application fully completed."

Someone else had put the application in for them, admitted Phil Valcourt.

DIDN'T EVEN KNOW HIM

Charles Wakelin, planner involved in the region when By-law 66 was introduced, stated that not only had he never been approached improperly by Tom Toynbee, but that he had never met him until this meeting.

The formulations made at the time of By-law 66 were based on the best information then available he asserted.

The health department had offered no advice on how to go about the job, said Mr. Valcourt.

The department does not set itself up as a consulting engineer, commented Jim Campbell. A detailed letter of advice from Don Iffe, health inspector on the island, was read by Dr. Arneil.

After three hours of discussion in a hot government office, Hugh Curtis asked Mr. and Mrs. Valcourt, "Do you feel that any problems have been solved or explained?"

Both told him that they had not.

Marc Holmes concluded with the assurance that although he did not know whether the Windsor property should be rezoned, he could find no trace of any application having been given to him. "At no time did I give them bum zoning because I had bad feelings towards them," he told the meeting.

Madness runs its course

"Madness Strikes Back" presents its last three performances on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week in the Activity Centre Theatre at the Elementary school in Ganges.

This all new musical farce, a creation of Virginia and Ray Newman, features Alex McCauley, John Lomas, Dawn Luker, Dorothy Roberts, Hugh and Dorothy Cummings, Ken and Wayne Simons, Amy Newman and the musical group Bogwater with Bruce Eason, piano, Tom Bowler, guitar, Dave Roland, bass, Arno Bangert, drums, and Sue Bowler (nee Newman) vocalist. Lighting engineer is Alan Layard.

The storyline concerns the islanders' reaction to increasing governmental levies and is concluded by a logical solution.

Following the Friday night performance Bogwater will play for a dance at the Activity Centre.

How many miles to Ganges town?

How many visitors to Salt Spring Island have driven half way to Fulford looking for the Visitors Information Centre?

A close look at the directional sign near Ganges will reveal to the reader that it doesn't say "four miles", but "0.4 miles".

The sign is located between Harbour House Hotel and St. George's Church and originally read that the Centre was one mile from the sign. One mile would take the tourist to a point somewhere on Ganges Hill.

The suggestion has been made that the visitors would have less trouble finding information if the figure one were added in front of the four on the sign and the booth were moved to Beaver Point.



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Laura Auchterlonie was at Pender School under the name of Bradley a few years ago. Cliff Brackett is another former student, They are typical of the past-students who gathered at Pender Island on Saturday.



There was no thought to anything on Pender Island on Saturday except the school reunion. Pupils of Pender School were invited to take part in a reunion and there were hundreds of people on the island to take part.

The island was well-prepared as graduates of schools everywhere set the stage for the greeting to home-comers.

The school entrance was flanked by registration desks and visit-

ors were booked in according to period of their attendance.

The mechanics were well planned and only the enthusiasm of the returning pupils threatened to slow it down.

Bus was hired to meet ferries and to bring visitors to school grounds. Later, the school bus shuttled visitors from the school to the new. Cost of the

It's



tribute to early school pupils after 75 years



days of the school's history to the present time. Many were on the grounds to be introduced.

The school trustee for Pender, Don Fairweather expressed the greetings of the Gulf Islands School Board and explained the progress of the new Pender Island School.

Lunch was served to visitors and trips to the new school followed.

During the afternoon tea was served to the entire gathering before the bus left to take visitors back to their normal routines.

The day ran its course with scarcely a hitch. Visitors and residents enjoyed the novelty of reunion and the sponsors were gratified with the smooth manner in which everything fell into place.

-FGR

When Pender teacher was A.M. Johnston



Archie Phelps shows early souvenir of school

Capt. Archie Phelps, graduate of the old Pender Island School, has an interesting souvenir of his schooldays.

Capt. Phelps attended Saturday's celebrations of the school's 75th anniversary. He brought with him the souvenir of Pender School, presented by the teacher, A.M. Johnston, in 1898.

Trustees of the school at the time were W. Grimmer, E. Hooson and R. Hope, according to the printed souvenir program.

Archie Phelps, who has served a career with the Canadian Pacific ships, is the son of William Phelps, who was at one time a teacher at Barkerville. He attended the Pender Island school for his elementary education and went on to Vancouver to attend high school. His home is now in Victoria.

There was no doubt that Archie Phelps would have ranked best-dressed graduate if there had been such an award.

He brought two souvenirs: the program, or list, of 1898 and a program of the Christmas party in Pender School in 1902. Both listed students taking part. The 1898 students listed were John McDonald, Gordon McDonald, Robin McDonald, Malcolm McDonald, Victor Menzies, Morris Menzies, Neptune Grimmer, Percy Grimmer, Archie Phelps, Christina McDonald, Rovilla Johnston, Margery Johnston, Clara Menzies, Isa Davidson, May Davidson, Ethel

Phelps, Gertie Phelps and Nellie Grimmer.

Among his early teachers, Capt. Phelps recalled a Miss Brethour, from the Sidney pioneer family.

school at Pender Island



used for the activity room at Ganges, but the Pender Islanders have made the program work.

Visitors were not given precise statistics, but community input was estimated at close to \$100,000, derived from taxation and contributions.

Architect is Hank Schubart, of Ganges.

The school has been built by the Gulf Islands School District, employing day labour. On the credit side, explained an islander, the wages paid on the job have been

paid almost exclusively to local residents. On the debit side, many island contractors have expressed concern that they were not invited to bid.

Another and much vaunted feature of the school project is that it is coming together within the budgeted figure. Such additions as dormer windows in the classrooms have been installed at no additional cost.

Superintending the construction job is Ray Hill, of Ganges.

He didn't deliver on June 1

(From 'Undercurrent', Bowen Island)

Who wants to make a meal without a bit of tasty dressing? So far, this issue is just too pretty so....

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Sunday morning is just the time for a real game of golf!

BY F.M. EATON

It was a beautiful Autumn morning, the birds were carolling joyfully, as John Brown strolled from his car to the clubhouse.

He noted with delight that the sun was breaking through the early mist, making diamonds of the myriad dewdrops glistening on the close-cropped putting green. He entered the locker room, sniffing with pleasure at the odour, common to all men's locker rooms, a

delicious blend of drying water-proofs, rubber shoes and old socks, laced with the faint aroma of yesterday's pipe tobaccos.....He was a happy man!

Today he would play his usual Sunday morning four-ball with Ernest, Reg and George. Perhaps he'd win, perhaps not, it didn't matter, they would have a good keen game and some fun together.

Then, after a few drinks, home to his lunch, the Sunday paper and

his armchair. All was right with his world! But where were Ernest and co? - they should be here by now. He wandered into the lounge. No sign of his friends, only the steward tidying up and a little group over in the corner.

IT WAS THOSE TWO!

It consisted of Mike the club's solitary scratch golfer and two other men. Startled, John looked again; it couldn't be; yes! It was! He had seen these two many times on his television screen, playing with consummate ease and artistry shots that he could only dream about. His two heroes!

Mike looked across at him. "Ah there you are" he said, "we were beginning to wonder when you'd show up. I'm sure you don't need any introduction to our friends here, so let's get started. You're playing with Tony, and I'm with Peter. We'll play level."

John Brown stumbled out with them in a sort of glorious daze. This couldn't be happening to him - but it was! There must be some mistake, but who was he to question his good fortune? Was he nervous? Not a bit of it! Somehow, he knew that today everything was going to go his way.

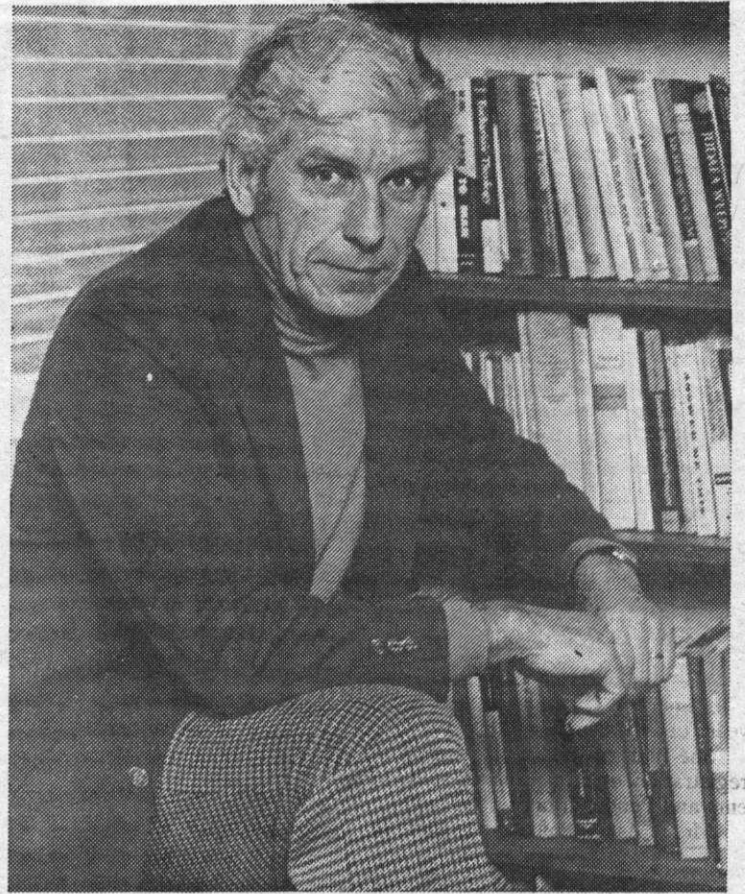
He unwrapped a sparkling new ball and took his modest last turn at the first tee. Full of confidence he swung at the ball and saw it bounding on and on down the middle of the fairway. To his delight it came to rest only a few yards from the others. It was unbelievable!

Then followed a soaring iron to the green, a single putt and his first birdie.

MATCHING THEM

So he went on, bisecting the fairway at hole after hole, matching and sometimes even outdoing his illustrious companions. By the time they reached the ninth, the news had spread, and an admiring crowd was beginning to collect.

"Fancy old John", he heard, and similar comments.



Roy Bonisteel (above) hosts a summer repeat series of CBC-TV's popular Man Alive, telecast on the full network Sundays at 12:30 p.m. Man Alive programs being repeated deal with people's loneliness; some misunderstandings between Christians and Muslims; the significance of the River Ganges in the Hindu faith; Christianity and Marxism; how the church lives in communist Poland; religious conversion and modern day "saints". Man Alive was drawing close to a million viewers when the year began and Roy Bonisteel's return with a new series this fall will mark the program's 11th season on CBC-TV.

Flushed with success, on he went, and still kept up his amazing performance. By now his confidence was such that he even considered passing on a tip or two to Tony, but discretion won.

As they walked off the 18th towards the clubhouse, the clapping started. John's clubmates crowded around, patting him on the back. Harder and harder they patted, and then, really this was too much! They were pulling off his pullover in their enthusiasm! No, they weren't, it was Mary, his wife, pulling off the tangled bedclothes and rattling the spoon in the saucer

of his early cup of tea! "Come along John" she said "it's nearly 7.30 and you'll miss your game."

About an hour later, puffing contentedly at his after breakfast pipe, John Brown strolled from his car to the clubhouse. There were Ernest, Reg and George as usual, waiting outside the Pro's shop. He could hear them laughing and joking together. Perhaps he'd win today, perhaps he'd lose, it didn't matter. As he sniffed the fresh morning air and gazed upon those inviting greens and fairways.....he was a happy man!

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Notice is hereby given that all persons who deem themselves affected by the following proposed by-law will be afforded an opportunity to be heard on the matters contained therein at a Public Hearing to be held in the North Pender Community Hall, North Pender Island, on Monday, August 8, 1977 at 1.30 pm.

1. A by-law to amend By-law No. 103, 1972 (Outer Gulf Islands) Zoning By-law.

By-law No. 103, cited as "Zoning By-law, Planning Area No. 4", is amended as follows:

"By deleting from the Rural 2 Zone and adding to the Rural 3 Zone, Parcel C (DD67638-1), of S.W. ¼, Section 19, North Pender Island."

The property is located at the corner of Bedwell Harbour Road and Hooson Road, North Pender Island. Canadian Sunday School Mission.

Copies of the complete by-law may be viewed at the North Pender Community Hall and also at the offices of the Capital Regional District, 524 Yates Street, Victoria, B.C. during normal working hours of 8.30 am to 4.30 pm Monday to Friday inclusive (holidays excepted)

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More than 500 attend reunion at Pender school for 75th anniversary

BY ELEANOR HARRISON
Pender Island school reunion took place on Saturday at the old school.

Over 500 pupils and teachers, past and present and guests attended.

The committee who organized the reunion as well as those who attended are grateful to the anonymous donor who made the bus possible. Norris Amies was in charge of transportation.

REGISTRATION

Mrs. Maggie Mennie was in charge of registration, assisted by Raymond Daniels. Both are former school pupils.

There were seven separate tables for registering according to years of attendance.

She had the assistance during registration of numerous ex-students and Pender friends.

Mrs. Maud Baird and Mrs. Dorothy Grimmer, themselves once teachers in the school, registered the teachers of by-gone days. Twenty-four teachers came back for the day.

EVENTS

At 11.30 am Miss Mary Hamilton, former teacher, rang the original school bell and guests gathered for the welcoming address, which was given by Stewart Corbett, former pupil of Pender Island School. He was followed by Mrs. Jane Allan's introduction of the teachers. She is a former pupil. As the senior teacher, Miss Hamilton was introduced first. Some of the teachers came from quite a distance. List ended with Audrey Rundle-Woolcott who will be the first principal of the new school, opening this fall.

Don Fairweather, Pender Trustee, then told the audience of the progress and invited everyone to take advantage of the bus service to visit the building.

Over 200 guests enjoyed luncheon served by members of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Legion which was planned by Mrs. Irene Estelle, president, assisted by the Legion Ladies. Helen Berry sold tickets for the luncheon.

The Parent-Teachers Club served hot dogs and a variety of cold drinks all day. Dave and Karen Watson, assisted by teachers, Hillary Spicer and Maureen Docharty were responsible for this popular attraction.

"The Quiet Island", a film compiled by John Getgood, made in 1964 while he was teaching at

Pender School, was shown at 12.30 and repeated during the afternoon.

Mr. Getgood was present for the reunion and showed the film with the assistance of R. Frache, a present teacher. The film has been used on TV in the United States. In the afternoon from 3 - 5 pm all residents of Pender Island were invited and tea was served by Marian Henderson, Vera Norton, Mary Roddick and Betty Healy who are all from South Pender.

RAFFLE

Eric Chisholm, well-known Pender Island artist donated a framed drawing of the school in a combination of indian ink and charcoal. Raffle tickets were sold by Jean Hinton and Molly Hall, and the prize-winner was Wm. Poole of Malton, Ontario. The winning ticket was sold by Mae Moonie on her recent visit to Ontario.

Jim Moebes loaned his truck for use as the outdoor stage.

The committee who organized the reunion and who have worked many hours since last January were Bunty England, Beth Amies, Marje Bowerman and June Allan.

Donations were received from many interested friends and many Islanders whose names are too numerous to mention gave a lot of time and help, but for those who worked and those who "came back" it was a rewarding experience to meet old friends some of whom had not seen each other for 60 years.



CBC-TV's award-winning documentary series, To The Wild Country, returned in July. Hosts John and Janet Foster (seen here checking some final scripts) are our guides to visual odysseys through some of the most beautiful areas of Canada. To The Wild Country, which will be seen on ten occasions throughout the summer, will visit such areas of this vast country as: Newfoundland, Algonquin Park, Kluane Park, the Arctic, the Pacific shore and the Great Lakes.

Dinghy is stolen at wharf

Clive Kind of Galiano Island, reported the theft of an 11 foot dinghy on July 27.

The fibreglass boat was bright orange with a red hull and was taken on July 20. It was chained to a wharf at the time and the lock was sprung.

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Japan is still Japan and guards its culture

BY TONY RICHARDS

A Salt Spring Island girl has just returned home after a year's stay in Japan.

Michelle Layard, daughter of Don and Olive Layard, arrived back on Salt Spring on July 16, after taking part in a Rotary Exchange program.

She graduated from Gulf Islands Secondary School in January 1976.

In Japan, Michelle lived in a town of about 30,000 near the city of Sendai, on the east coast of Honshu.

She lived with four different families while she was there, and attended a commercial high school. The courses she took included philosophy, world and Japanese history and ethics, a course similar to the one known as "guidance" in

ISLAND STUDENT RETURNS AFTER VISIT TO ORIENT

Canada. Her school was supposed to have the best computer department in the country.

Michelle was not wholly impressed by the system of education that she saw.

"There is no feedback from the students in the class," she said, "and learning is based on memorization."

JAPANESE

The island student, who can now speak Japanese well enough to handle situations in daily life, was limited to being able to count to ten and say good-bye, when she left the island a year ago. She would

never go anywhere without her dictionary, she told me.

Michelle has suffered culture shock coming back to Salt Spring.

"It's so slow here," she said. It's a real rat-race as far as work is concerned in Japan, she explained. And it's not unusual for someone to begin working for a company and remain with that company for life.

Another difference between Canada and Japan is in the style of gardens.

"The essence of a Japanese garden is a tree, stone and water," said Michelle. Colour is limited because there are few flowers.

Gardens here seem quite cluttered, by comparison, she said, because there are so many different flowers.

MOST STAYED

Out of the 88 students who went to Japan from North America last year, 77 stayed for the full year.

Homesickness also posed a problem for Michelle during the first few months of her stay and she

had a lot of praise for the family she was staying with at the time.

She says she definitely wants to return to Japan some time in the future. She wants to live and work in Tokyo for a while in order to see that side of Japanese life. There are many different life styles there, she explained.

She didn't agree that Japan is very westernized. Japanese tradition is still very strong, she told me.

TEA AND GOLF

"The Japanese businessman will go home, don his kimono and take part in a tea ceremony and then go out and play golf."

Besides attending school for six days of the week, Michelle was involved with other activities as well. She played the flute with a music group, took part in flower arranging, Japanese dancing and the tea ceremony. She was also a member of a fencing club for a while. She said she developed a liking for Japanese music, though another popular style of music played on the radio is 'punk rock', which she found distasteful.

Michelle, who is presently working at the Ganges Crest, has plans to attend UBC and study commerce.



MICHELLE LAYARD

....back on Salt Spring after a year in Japan.

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NEWS FROM NORTH GALIANO

BY DEVINA BAINES

Mrs. Ken Barnes, of Porlier Pass Marina, has just returned from a visit to relatives and friends in England: Welcome home, Ollie!

Russ and Millie Cleland, of Walnut Creek, California, have spent a month's holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Franklin. They report the water shortage in California is really bad with all the lawns in Walnut Creek burnt and brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gabara, with Steve and Paul, of Merritt, B.C. spent a recent holiday at Coon Bay. While here they visited many friends on Galiano.

Mrs. Clara Bell and Greig, of Merritt have been guests of Mrs. Rose Cluff.

Recent visitors at the Baines' home were Wally Graham of Lillooet and son, James, of Salt Spring, Mrs. Marge Boyle, of Duncan and Mrs. Neta Kaye, of Ganges.

Rev. Jim Manley, Mrs. Manley and three children spent a short holiday at Montague Park. Jim is the minister at Ladysmith United Church, and it was nice to see them again.

Mrs. Lloyd Baines and family were happy to have her mother, Mrs. Fran Quesnel and niece Linda, stay with them for a week.

Larry Baines is home again after spending three weeks on his Dad's seiner, the Searcher, on the West Coast. He came back in time to help sister Kathy celebrate her birthday.

Ray Thompson and son Brad, on the Fawn Bluff, are back from fishing around Bull Harbour and other places.

Salmon seem to be rather scarce in most areas with none of the commercial fishermen reporting huge catches this year. Oh well, boys! There's always next year!

Ken and Sylvia Mounsey spent the past week hiking in the Garibaldi Mountain. They were celebrating their son's 21st birthday.

It has been really hot on the North End lately, with temperatures registering 82° and 84° on the "understandable scale". All burning permits and open fires have been cancelled for some time now.

Our sympathy goes out to "Uncle Archie" Georgeson on the death of his brother, Bill, in Duncan this week. Also to all the nieces and nephews on the Island. Also to Bryce Silvey on the loss of his grandmother, Mrs. Noble in Duncan.

Dr. Verchire has his grandson out holidaying with him at Valdez Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Mandin, and family, all of Ladysmith are holidaying at Coon Bay for a week or two.

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ON THE PENDERS

BY ELEANOR HARRISON

Pender Island Silverthreads Society had a delightful trip to Squamish and Alta Lake for their July meeting day, which was on Thursday, July 21. The weather and the scenery were magnificent so a pleasant day was enjoyed by the company of friends. Mrs. Nellie Williams, who planned the trip hopes to have another trip organized for October.

The Pender Cultural Society sponsored two events recently: a Movie Night in the Port Washington Hall on Wednesday, July 20, when two "shorts" were shown; one for the "kids" and a short and funny comedy for the adults.

This was followed by a documentary which was very interesting.

The subject was a cave in the Rockies being explored for the first time. Next movie night will be August 6.

The second event was the Pender Potlatch which was held over the August holiday weekend, on the Mundy farm property. An average of about 250 or 300 people a day attended and enjoyed the music and the various craft displayed.

The annual Garden Party held by St. Peter's Ladies Guild took place on Saturday afternoon, July 23 at the waterfront home and gardens of Mr. and Mrs. D. Harker. It was a beautiful day and a large crowd spent a pleasant afternoon and enjoyed a cup of tea with friends.

Miss E. Hoffman, proprietor of the Treasure Chest on Hoosen Road, had as her guest for the past month, Mrs. Charlotte Schafer of Frankfurt, Germany, a long-time friend. The two friends made a motor trip through the Rockies, the Okanagan and Vancouver Island, as well as spending some time in Vancouver. Mrs. Schafer is Executive Secretary in the Honeywell Company in Germany.

Mrs. Virginia Newman, Adult Education Director for Gulf Islands School District, will be on Pender Island to discuss with interested Pender Island residents if they wish to participate in adult courses being offered by the Continuing Education Department of School District 64. A special grant has been allotted to Mrs. Newman to ascertain the needs, desires and interests of Outer Gulf Island residents in adult education programs. Mrs. Newman will make a trip later in the month, dates of which will be announced. This is a

splendid opportunity for us to get together with competent instructors so lets start thinking how we would like to improve our knowledge and present Mrs. Newman with a list of suggestions. How about a Stretch and Sew Sewing Course or a Course on Mouth-to-Mouth Resuscitation for heart attack victims?

Finds skiff

A 12 foot aluminum skiff with a Seagull outboard motor was found near North Pender Island last week.

Cliff Doherty of Hope Bay Store on North Pender Island, reported the find on August 4. Boat was found and towed in to Hope Bay by Ray Bush, of Bellingham, Washington.

Cow wanders around island roads

A Black Angus was on the loose again Sunday when it was reported heading towards Long Harbour.

It is reported to be the same animal that spent some time a few weeks ago on the property belonging to John Lees, Scott Road.

On Tuesday, the cow was back in the custody of its owner, Mrs. Fields of Mansell road.

Weights are won at fair

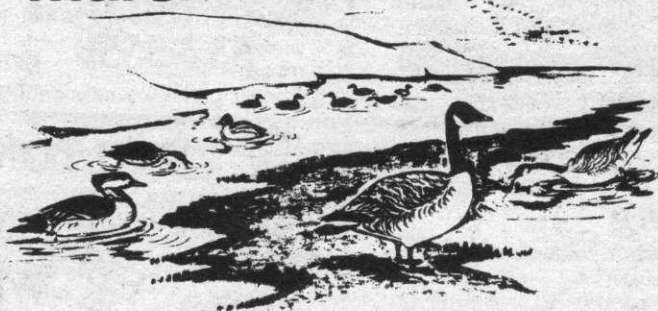
When the Anglican Parish of Salt Spring Island staged its annual Country Fair in Centennial Park, visitors were challenged to estimate the weight of a salmon and a lamb.

According to Lionel Denison, the fish weighed 13.3 pounds and was won by George Reynolds.

Lamb was won by Kathleen Rothwell, who came within one ounce of its 48 pounds and six ounces.

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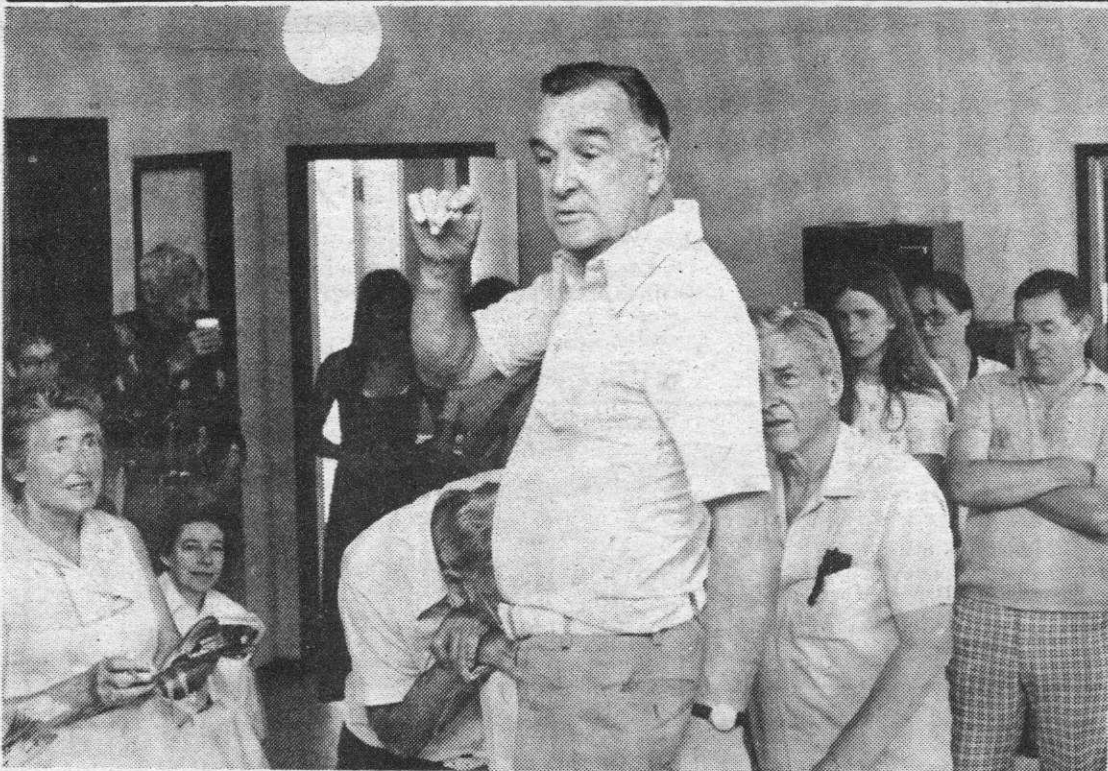


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A scene from the Legion Action Auction at Ganges last Saturday. Gordon Hutton, centre local branch president, was the auctioneer.

Camera lens is reported stolen

A camera lens was stolen from a boat at Centennial Wharf, Ganges on July 15.

Edward Scarlett, of Surrey, tied up at the wharf for about three hours and left his boat for an hour and a half. On the following morning, he discovered the loss of a zoom lens, valued at \$500.

Ganges RCMP are investigating.

Shoe shop

An advertisement concerning rezoning that appeared in last week's Driftwood did not clearly identify the property referred to.

Inserted by the Capital Regional District, the advertisement announced the rezoning from rural to commercial 1 of a lot belong to Alex and Eve Mussick on Lower Ganges Road. The lot is situated between the Dutch Beauty Salon and the Valcourt Business Centre.

Mr. and Mrs. Mussick applied for the commercial zoning some time ago with the intention of opening a shoe repair shop.

Boy falls

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the unconscious boy to a stretcher and brought him to the top of the mountain.

By the time they reached the top, John Ryan was going into shock from the ordeal and loss of blood.

He was picked up by helicopter and flown directly to the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

On Tuesday, Dr. Ryan expressed optimism and reported that although still unconscious, John was showing signs of improvement.

IT WAS SPEED

The essential ingredient of the project had been speed, stated Dr. Ryan. The quick response by firemen and their instant command of the situation; the efficiency with which they brought the boy to the top and the prompt departure of the helicopter all contributed, he told Driftwood.

In the Intensive Care Unit in Victoria, John Ryan is suffering from fractures to both arms, a fractured femur, fractured skull and other injuries. His father was optimistic this week that he had sustained no brain damage.

It was a day's holiday. The

Finds camera

Bryan Smith of Scott Point road, reported finding a Minolta camera on August 2. Camera was found at the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club at Scott Point on July 31.

family came to the island and drove up Mt. Maxwell for a picnic lunch.

The accident was so sudden and unexpected. He turned round, said Dr. Ryan and "John was gone". Fire Chief Hanke explained later that the ground was very slippery from the weather conditions.

It was the entire rescue project that impressed John's father.

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