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Line-up for two regional seats and four school board vacancies

For Regional Board

For Gulf Islands School Board



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MARGARET FLEWIN



IONE GUTHRIE



NORMA McCALLUM



SPENCER MARR



DAVID STACEY



ROMA STURDY

Hearing postponed as new application is anticipated

BY BETH HILL

The Oil Ports Inquiry is not dead.

It has been made a permanent part of the approval process for any oil port on the B.C. coast. Thus the oil companies cannot bypass the Inquiry by waiting for its death.

A Vancouver source states that the oil companies are meeting this week in Texas and that they will now fully participate in the Inquiry process and will present a serious proposal, probably for an oil port at Kitimat. If this happens, the Inquiry will reconvene.

The oil companies had hoped to get easy access to British Columbia shores because our environmental protection legislation is so much weaker than in the U.S.

However, the Islands S.O.S. Committee has decided to postpone the local hearing in Ganges until the intentions of the oil companies are clear.

Those people preparing briefs are asked to complete their presentations and file a copy with Marg Simons at the Community Centre.

Money raised by Spills Kill buttons will be held until a final decision about a local hearing has been made.

The people at Sooke have decided to go ahead with their hearing on November 25, and anyone interested in sharing transportation to that event should get in touch with Marg Simons.

Political picture in the Islands

Ten candidates line up for Saturday voting on two islands and five seats

On Saturday voters of two islands will go to the polls to elect four school trustees and one regional director from a total choice of 10 candidates.

On Mayne Island two candidates are seeking one seat on the Gulf Islands School Board.

Pearl Brau is seeking another term on the board after four years as trustee. Housewife and mother of a student in Mayne Island school, she has served during the formative years of the junior secondary school on Mayne Island.

Jeanine Dodds, also a Mayne Island housewife, although her daughter is not yet old enough to be enrolled in the school. The candidate is a graduate of Mayne and Gulf Islands Secondary Schools.

At Salt Spring Island are six candidates for three school seats.

Margaret Flewin has been long associated with schools after 11 years with Gulf Islands Secondary School. She has come to contest the office from a keen concern for

education and the student.

Ione V. Guthrie is a former school principal. She has served on Gulf Islands School Board for eight years and is a past chairman of the board. She is seeking re-election.

Norma McCallum is a Fulford housewife and mother. She is a newcomer to public affairs and is motivated by concern for students in the changing times.

A. Spencer Marr is a Ganges accountant who has one child in school. He is concerned with education and harmony in administration. He is already a public figure by virtue of his service on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

David Stacey is a partner in the Salt Spring marine service and a well-known island musician. He has taught in several countries and has been involved in administration as well.

Roma Sturdy is the former secretary-treasurer of Gulf Islands School District. She has served two years and is seeking re-election for

another term.

Two men are seeking the seat on Capital Regional Board left vacant by the retirement of George Heinekey.

James Bryce is a retired automotive man with an active marine background. Commander of the Salt Spring Power Squadron, he is with the water district at Fulford and has been a prominent member of the South Salt Spring ratepayers' group.

Arthur Lloyd is the proprietor of HMS Ganges Apartments. Retired lumberman, he has long and varied experience of the industry. He has taken a strong stand on the Ganges Plan and is closely concerned with the potential population of the island.

On Salt Spring Island there will be a referendum asking for preference between the Islands Trust and the Capital Regional Board. It is an opinion poll purely for the benefit of the regional board.

A "yes" vote supports the Board. A "No" vote favours the Islands Trust.

Aston drops out

Robert Aston is not asking for support at the polls on Salt Spring Island on Saturday.

Mr. Aston has announced that he has no wish to be supported in his bid for the Capital Regional Board. Last week he sought to withdraw, but learned that the municipal act prohibits a candidate from withdrawing once the nominations close. Nevertheless, he is not soliciting votes.

The Douglas Road resident gives two reasons for withdrawal:

The steadily worsening conflict between the executive of the Capital Regional Board and the ministry of municipal affairs in the matter of the change of authority from the board to the Islands Trust, which is now law.

The inclusion of and the form of the question which is to appear on the referendum ballots on Salt Spring Island on Saturday.

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Pensioners stage highly successful bazaar at church hall in Ganges

BY ELSIE THACHER

B. C. Old Age Pension Branch 32, held their annual bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 5. Frank Richards, of Driftwood, opened the affair in St. George's Hall at 2 pm. The hall was packed, even though the weather was not in our favour. The stalls looked delightful, with a Christmas spirit and we do thank

all the ladies for their hard work. In charge of the stalls were: childrens' knitted goods and toys, Mrs. Eva St. Onge and Mrs. V. Holmberg; display of oddments, Mrs. R.A. Purser and helpers; flowers, Mrs. F.H. Maybee, assisted by Walter Clarke; baked goods, a wonderful display, Mrs. V. Griffin and helpers; fancy work,

knitting, Betty Brigden and assistants; books, Mrs. Edna Ledger and helper.

Mrs. Joan Hayward arranged the tables and attended to the eats, with Connie Ramsay and Mrs. Sanschia Seward in the kitchen. Walter Brigden and D. MacRoberts were at the door and Mrs. Louise Foulis did a wonderful job selling tickets for the draw.

I would like to thank Mrs. Dickenson for her assistance, together with her Girl Guides, help-

ing to serve tea.

Mrs. Mabel Clark took care of the cash and informs me we raised \$860.

Following were the raffle winners. Mr. J. Colquhoun, food basket, Mrs. P. Weston, cooker; Mrs. A. Howland, lazy susan; Mrs. A. Browe, cheese board; Mrs. A. Pearson, glass dish.

My sincere thanks to all the helpers, to those who came, those who bought, to make the day such a success.

Indian life

Prologue, opening film of Imperial Oil's seven-part New-comers' documentary-drama series about the experience of inhabiting a new land, will be telecast on CBCTV English network on Sunday, at 8.30 pm. The show was seen in French last week end.

Filmed on location at Hazelton B.C. in May, 1976, Prologue documents the colourful and rich culture of a British Columbia coastal group of Indians before their contact with the white man. The film, directed by internationally renowned Eric Till and written by Charles Isreal, dramatizes a young boy's trials to become chief and the lost love of a beautiful girl he is forbidden to marry.

B.C. OLD AGE PENSIONERS Branch 32
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Walter Brigden and D. MacRoberts are attending to the door at the OAPO bazaar.

No meeting, no need

Outcome of the public hearing that was held last week concerning the Ganges Plan will be known by next week. Regional Director George Heinekey said Tuesday that tapes of the hearing are still being reviewed by the regional district.

Asked whether a public meeting would be held to look into both the official plan and the alternate plan, Mr. Heinekey said anyone could hold a meeting if they wished. He said that a meeting is not normally held following a public hearing.

As far as the two plans are concerned, the regional director felt there was not much difference between the two.

In regard to the hearing, Mr. Heinekey commented that there was a lot said that wasn't valid. It

was suggested at the hearing that too many "shoulds" and not enough "shalls" were used in the plan. Mr. Heinekey said that the municipal act dictates that the word "shall" not be used in a community plan.

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by richards

Earthworm cultivation is on the way up. With a steady demand for worms and a steady flow of eager growers, earthworms are changing from the juicy red denizen of the backyard to farm stock of importance equal to the thoroughbred in the barn.

I'm no expert on worms...yet. But I recall the experiences of the English immigrant to Ontario who went collecting dew worms at the crack of dawn. He walked the meadows with his head between his knees and a pail strapped to his leg.

The first day he found almost as many golf balls as worms. The second day he got a crick in his neck and couldn't see the ground and the third day his back refused to bend or straighten at will.

He was so shaken with his experience in worms that he moved to the coast and never went fishing again.

A good start to the day! On Wednesday I decided to attend the Capital Regional board meeting in Victoria. I would catch the 10.45 ferry from Fulford and there would be no problem! At about 10 am I went to the car. First thing I noticed was a bashed-in front fender where some birdbrain had backed into the car and driven off. Second thing I noticed was that the tank was empty. Third thing I noticed was the battery was flat. I called for help and waited. I got into Victoria about 1.15 and went straight to the city's parking lot on Yates. It was full. I drove to the top and I drove down again. It was still full. And there was room at the Johnson St. lot as well as a good walk. I got into the board meeting at shortly before 2 pm just as the second island speaker was getting warmed up.

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I got you, Richards, he said in great glee. And he was wrong. A prominent Salt Spring Island car man was reading a recent publication dealing with automobiles. It informed him that the "Alpha Romeo" was an Italian car. And he rubbed his hands after reading my comments on that spelling of a famous name. But then he turned the page and discovered that the publishers weren't quite sure, so they covered themselves and spelled it both ways.

One day I bought two shoes. That was one for each foot. I hate buying shoes and when some sellers have a sale on English shoes I sometimes follow it up and take a look. Like I've got English feet, you see! So I came home with a pair of Canadian shoes. At least, that's what I thought. After wearing them half a dozen times, I held them together. Now I'm stuck with odd feet. The left shoe came from one company and the right from another. They're probably like Dodge and Plymouth or Austin and Morris and all come out of the same factory. Nevertheless, it's doing something to my feet. They no longer match and I find the left shoe is trying to kick the right all the time. I guess it's a bit of a heel! Only thing is to go back to the store and to explain that they have two odd shoes and I'll buy them for half-price. I'm the only guy can match them up!

I had to explain where I live. It was easy. Go down Churchill, turn on Madrona and there are four driveways: take the centre one! Who was I trying to confuse? I got hell from Gavin Bilton.

I am facing a divorce for putting garlic in baked beans. There's something rather sacrilegious about spicing beans, as far as Women's Lib is concerned. If the Almighty had wanted us to eat garlic with beans, they would have grown pre-flavoured, she figures. And the same thing goes for Mr. Heinz. So, either I eat spice-free beans or we part company. I compromised. I do all the cooking in my house. And when I bake beans I make two lots in the pan: His and Hers. And His are just the way baked beans should be!

I have a lot of family trouble. Like when I called my brother and asked him whether he had decided

There is not peace on earth

Pearson Tree is set up ready for Christmas CARE campaign

Internationally famous CARE Tree on Pender Island is growing fast ready for Christmas.

The Pearson Tree of Light is the fund-raising tree on Pender which was instituted by George Pearson and is now administered by Pender Island Lions.

Chairman of the campaign is Stewart P. Corbett. The service club sends out appeals, receipts and any other paper work connected with the campaign. The Lions then collect contributions, light the tree and undertake all the chores entailed.

For each contribution to CARE a new light is added to the tree. Passengers sailing between Vancouver Island and the mainland are able to see the Tree of Light during the Christmas season.

More than 700 lights graced the tree last year and a total of \$9,200 went to the CARE Food for Work program in Bangladesh.

ALL OVER THE WORLD.

CARE is sending food and other

necessities to the under-privileged in various parts of the world. George Pearson launched his appeal and the Pender Lions are now adding their voice to it for funds to alleviate the suffering of others.

"There can be no real peace on earth as long as more than half the world's population must live with starvation and deprivation," said Corbett. "So many, particularly children, must search through garbage or learn to steal in order to survive."

CARE, with the help of the contributors to the Pearson Tree, can help to change these condi-

tions, he urges.

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RCMP list found property

RCMP at Ganges have a number of items that have been found and have yet to be claimed by their owners. Following is the list:

A set of car keys on a chain mounted with a stone pendant; a six-foot green plywood dinghy; a six-foot orange Sportyak fibreglass dinghy; an eight-foot white dinghy with blue letters on it; and a child's three-speed bicycle.

These items may be claimed at the RCMP detachment office at Ganges.

to sell his car because I wanted one like it. He hadn't decided, he told me. But he rang a week later and told me he thought it was a good idea, so he had sold it!

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TWO ELECTIONS AND A QUESTION

What are we voting for on Saturday on two islands?

In Gulf Islands School District we are voting for four trustees. Three are from Salt Spring Island and one from Mayne Island. In that balloting, three incumbents are seeking to hold their seats as five others join the fight.

The school district election has no specific bone of contention. The schools open and close; students learn to read and write; taxes continue to be collected and nobody gives too many thoughts to any other aspect of a community function which takes the lion's share of islands taxes.

No other balloting affects the Outer Islands. Only two islands are involved in the elections and of the two, Mayne has no vote for regional district.

On Salt Spring Island there are three ballots.

In addition to electing three school trustees, Salt Spring Islanders must elect one regional director and they will be invited to express an opinion on one referendum.

There are three candidates listed for the regional board, but one has asked voters not to support him. To all intents and purposes it is a two-way fight between two newcomers to regional affairs.

What will the regional director do next year? Neither the candidates nor the voters have any clear indication of what the function of this office will entail. In the past he has devoted most of his time to matters of planning and zoning. These functions have been transferred to the Islands Trust. The Capital Regional District will still be concerned with issue of permits, health, recreation, sewers and certain other limited activities.

One candidate has announced the identity of his alternate should he be successful. There has been no reference to an advisory planning commission as it is not yet clear whether the regional director will be called upon to name one.

The successful candidate will learn early in the new year exactly what his duties are to consist of. At the present time, every candidate is running blind.

The referendum prepared for Salt Spring Island is the question as to whether the voter prefers the Capital Regional Board to the Islands Trust.

The referendum is binding on nobody and is more political ploy than municipal vote. The Capital Regional Board is optimistic that the vote will offer a resounding support to the regional boards of the province in their fight against the Islands Trust and its threat to regional strength.

Most island voters will offer a "No" vote in the referendum when they support the Islands Trust. In either case, the regional board cannot impose any demands on the ministry of municipal affairs and the result of the balloting looms as a lever for the regional districts of the province to thumb their noses at their own minister, if the vote goes the way they are hoping or to eat crow if it goes the other way.

It is likely they will be eating some poor meat.

Letters to the Editor

ISLANDS TRUST VOTE

Sir,

I think I should make some explanation of the forthcoming referendum beyond that found in the By-law published elsewhere in Driftwood.

It is not generally understood that the Islands Trust Act does not itself define the "trust area", nor does it designate Salt Spring or any other island as being in the "Trust". The legislation provides for the establishment of a trust and sets out duties, responsibilities and powers for it. The definition of the trust area and designation of islands within it is done by order, and is attached as a schedule to the legislation. I think it is clear, therefore, that the Legislature intended to facilitate changes in boundaries of the Trust, and changes in designated islands when circumstances changed.

It follows that if the Salt Spring electors declare their desire to be served in land use control and

subdivision matters by either the Regional District or the Islands Trust the Government must be advised by the vote. If the vote is clearly to stay with the Regional District in these matters, the Government can separate Salt Spring from the Trust area by order, without in any way affecting the legislation as it applies elsewhere. If the vote is the other way the Government can take some satisfaction in knowing its legislation is supported.

I had not intended to go beyond reporting the foregoing factual information, but with the selective proclamation of the recent amendments to the Act Mr. Curtis has provided that Salt Spring will be governed in land use matters by three appointed trustees and two elected ones. Thus he has disregarded the amendments to the legislation which provided for a fully elected Trust. This means that the choice for the foreseeable future lies not between an elected



Roy Harding, of the Galiano Lions Club, presents fireman Chester Williams with the letter informing the fire department of the gift of a water storage tank. (Photo by Mary Ellen Harding).

Trust and an elected Regional Board, but between an elected Board and a predominantly appointed Trust.

J.M. Campbell,
Chairman,
Capital Regional District,
524 Yates Street,
Victoria, B.C.
November 8, 1977

OIL SPILLS

Sir,

Compliments to Beth Hill and Sam Lightman for their articles on oil spills; they have adequately covered the situation.

I wish to voice my own support for their efforts and to add a few remarks about oil spills.

I lived in Santa Barbara during the big spill of 1970. There was a great uproar at the time with enormous media coverage. An organization was formed named GOO: "Get Oil Out" - forever. Enthusiasm was high. I saw that spill from the air and was appalled at the extent of it; not only were the beaches fouled, wild life destroyed, pleasure and fish boats ruined but air, heavy with oil fumes, seeped into our homes. Swimming had been excellent before the spill but never afterwards. One then had to bring newspapers to lie on; if one walked on the beach, blobs of tar stuck to shoes or bare feet; each wave deposited small goblets of tar on the sand. I saw the bare arms and legs of the surfers blackened. I finally gave up swimming or even walking on the beach.

Many lies are written about cleaning up oil spills. In my opinion, they cannot be cleaned up. The rocks at Ventura (next door to Santa Barbara) are blackened for all time.

That spill was seven years ago but a friend told me recently that the beaches are still in the same sad state as when I last saw them. Citizens of Santa Barbara, who, at the time of the spill sued the oil company - and won - have since voted their approval for the resumption of drilling. Large amounts of money are involved.

If only 150 Salt Spring Islanders turned out for the tanker protest rally on Oct. 30th, it bodes ill for Salt Spring.

What do we really value? Money? A plundered planet Earth? Extinction or healthy survival?

It is never too late to protest.
Elizabeth Mahon
c.c. to S.O.S. committee

TRY PLATFORM?

Sir,

My wife and I went to hear Conservative Financial critic Sinclair Stevens address a luncheon meeting in Duncan recently. As he is the man who would be guiding Canada's financial affairs if a Conservative government were elected in the next federal election

we wanted to know what Conservatives would do to alleviate the country's current financial difficulties.

Mr. Stevens made an articulate attack on the Liberal government but if the Conservatives have any financial policy he certainly kept it secret for as one Conservative said after it was over "Ed Broadbent could have delivered that speech".

We thought that maybe Mr. Stevens was saving declaration of financial policy for the Quebec convention but no, nothing there either, on finance or anything else.

The opposition has two roles or duties:

One is to act as critic of government policy.

The other is to put forth constructive alternative proposals or policies.

While the Conservatives are able critics it would seem that they expect to be elected because they are there, not because they have any ideas of substance for the public to examine.

Their one policy must be "We have no policies".

Jev. Tothill
President, Cowichan Malahat and the Islands Liberal Association,
Box 81,
Duncan, B.C.
November 10, 1977

A GOOD THING

Sir,

I strongly oppose the relocation of the farmers' market.

The claimed reason for moving the market to its proposed new location is that it would then be on private property and the owner could dictate who may sell and what they may sell. This would supposedly prevent "junk" from

being brought in from off-island. It would also place the market under direct control of the owner of the property.

The proposed site is a valuable piece of property which, given the steady growth of the Ganges area, could not normally be expected to remain vacant for very long. I can envisage, in a year or so, a "nominal fee" being charged to cover maintenance and tables, perhaps even to provide a small profit. I can further envisage that property being sold "due to unforeseen circumstances" and the market being quite literally out on the street.

I do wish the Chamber of Commerce would pry itself loose from its "shopkeeper mentality" and realize that people do not go to the farmers' market to shop. People go to the market to browse, to stop and chat with friends, to enjoy the open air, and incidentally to purchase a few vegetables or perhaps some second-hand gadget.

The present location offers a park for the entertainment of the children and enjoyment of the adults. It has a parking area and toilet facilities nearby and is highly visible. All these attributes are attractive to tourists and local people alike. The proposed location has none of these attractions, it offers only inconvenience, censorship, dictatorship and an uncertain future.

I agree with the Chamber of Commerce that some of the stuff being sold at the market by off-islanders was overpriced junk, but how about the stuff being sold by islanders at those booths in the Swartz Bay ferry terminal?

Of this stuff, which was being loudly touted as handcrafted Salt Spring Island goods, some was good, some was mediocre, some was junk and nearly all of it was overpriced. In fact, some of it was such embarrassingly overpriced junk it was almost enough to make me want to scrape the Salt Spring sticker off my truck.

While I do sympathise with the Chamber's concern over the good name of Salt Spring Island it is obviously ridiculous for the Chamber to attempt to control what is being sold on or off the island. In other words, dear Chamber of Commerce, get your paws off the Farmers' Market!

Get back to something which would be of benefit to the people of Salt Spring, something like the St. Mary Lake Park proposal, and while you are at it how about getting those damn power boats off the lake? That should be enough to keep you busy for awhile.

K. Butler,
North End Road,
Ganges, B.C.
November 10, 1977

ANNOYING AND DANGEROUS

Sir,

It was wet. It was annoying and again it was dangerous. Yet it was,

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Church Services

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1977

ANGLICAN

9.30 St. George's Church, Ganges - Family Eucharist with Confirmation. The Bishop of British Columbia
11.15 St. Mark's Church, Central, Morning Prayer, The Bishop of British Columbia will preach.

Daily: Mon.-Fri.

St. George's Ganges Morning Prayer 7.15 am

Weekly: Wednesdays

St. George's Ganges Holy Communion 5.00 pm

ROMAN CATHOLIC

St. Pauls Fulford Holy Mass 9.00 am

Our Lady of Grace Ganges Holy Mass 11.15 am

UNITED

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537-5817 Box 330 Fellowship Hour 11.30 am

537-5812(church) An Hour of Sharing and Caring 6.30 pm

COMMUNITY GOSPEL

Pastor Moe Ganges Sun.Sch.-all ages 10.30am

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11.30 am 1st & 3rd Sunday People's Service

Community Church Pastor J. Rodine 539-5710

Sunday 3 pm in the school

Bible Study Friday in the homes 7.30 pm

Letters to the Editor

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and definitely is, the K & R parking lot.

Last Saturday, normal enough in most aspects, except perhaps our inclement weather, was horrifying. Has white paint and sensible spacing gone out of style? Or are 'we', (who?), just waiting around until Ganges is finally planned?

For goodness sake someone do something before a sad accident shocks the complacency of our beautiful island to its rocky depths.

Barbara Smith,
RR3, Ganges,
November 13, 1977

ESSENTIAL DISCUSSION

Sir,
In my opinion one of the functions of a community newspaper is to serve as a forum for all the members of the community.

Certainly, decisions can better be made after a full range of information and opinions have been exchanged.

It disturbed me to read among the letters last week a plea for less "strife". Discussion and debate can avoid strife and bitterness.

Lack of full debate before decisions are made is likely to lead to unfairness and bitterness. So let us continue to talk and listen to each other about our plans, fears and hopes for our islands.

Barbara Blid
RR 2, Ganges
November 14, 1977

BACK TO ONTARIO

Sir,
TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY
We are calling all Chippeways home to North Bay.

Smoke signals say, "Big Pow-wow June 30 and July 1, for all chiefs, maidens, braves and former tribe members."

Tentative plans include a cabaret, parade, golf, fashion show, tour, anniversary dinner and dance.

Candidates can write, before too many moons, to Chief Running Deer Bill Colcock at 730 Rose Avenue, Apt. 10, North Bay, Ontario, P1B 6W4, to receive a complete brochure of planned activities, and to take advantage of special 'reservation' rates.

Mrs. S. Davison,
Chippewa Secondary School,
North Bay, Ont.
October 20, 1977

IT WAS FAIR

Sir,
Having been involved with juvenile sports for many years, I read with interest all the sports news in your newspaper.

Whenever I read that poor or biased refereeing resulted in the defeat of a local soccer team I feel sorry for the referee, who having done his best suddenly finds he is branded as incompetent without an opportunity to defend himself.

This opinion will be read by players and parents with limited knowledge of the rules of the game, yet surely in order for sport to be fun and meaningful to young athletes they must be able to accept a defeat without their coach offering them a crutch - "we were robbed by the referee". Otherwise how are they to recognize their limitations and strive for improvement?

Last week's account of the Kick's game stated they were beaten by an offside goal. As the referee of that game I wish to set the record straight.

The game was between two unbeaten teams and, to complicate the job of officiating, both teams had practically identical uniforms. Therefore it was necessary, even more so than usual, for the referee to be right up with the play.

When the visitors scored the only goal of the game I was level with the goal - scorer when he

received the ball and at that time the Kick's right back defender, although off to one side out of the play, was clearly closer to the goal than the opposing players.

The goal was a fair goal.
Bob Anderson,
Box 495,
Ganges,
November 14, 1977

OIL TANKERS

Sir,
Although there has been an adjournment of the Oil Ports Hearings there are still matters of concern with the way in which oil is being transported by water.

First off, these huge superships as they call them, are accident prone due to their size and poor manoeuvrability proved by the number of accidents there have been already.

Also, a ship this size, if it does go aground it breaks up, while smaller vessels can sometimes be re-floated. And if oil is getting scarce, why spill it all over the oceans? There is no fund set up to compensate for the damage that could occur, which could run into billions.

There should be strict limits on the size of all cargo vessels, tankers and otherwise and an upgrading of equipment and a better standard of crew training.

I'm sure there are other things that should be done as well, but this would be a step in the right direction.

Geoff Howland
Ganges,
November 14, 1977

BRAVO

Sir,
Last week, my youngest daughter brought home a sheaf of papers from school which indicated to the parents that the school was undertaking a project in order to raise funds for extra-curricular activities within the bounds of the present school schedule.

This project is in the form of a SPELL-A-THON. I would request that our readers take a good look at that last sentence and absorb its true significance.

Unfortunately, the project is limited to grades 4 to 7. Having observed some pathetic errors in many fields of literature - not only in spelling but in grammatical layout, in the construction of sentences, in paraphrasing, in correspondence and, even in the press - I feel that this is the greatest venture that has been originated within our education system and in particular, praise the fact that it has emanated from Salt Spring elementary school. I do feel though, that it should have included all grades from 1 - 12.

The fact that the school and the students may benefit financially from the project is of little consequence if it means that the students will gain a greater incentive to read, learn and understand their vocabulary rather than take every next word for granted.

How many times have we seen a word written in homonymous form and consequently completely out of context with the relevant sentence. Simply because the rudiments of elementary English

Folk dance ensemble to open season at Ganges November 27

A winter series of concerts will be offered again this year, arranged by the Anglican Parish of Salt Spring Island, co-sponsored by the

were not instilled into the mind of the writer.

Too much is being discussed for and against the teaching of bilingualism within our education system. As a bilingualist myself, I honestly believe that before a student can possibly learn an alternative language, he or she should surely be able to master the preferred mother tongue before translating into a foreign language in the correct idiomatic manner.

In conclusion, to those responsible for this venture, may I say congratulations and thank you. Continuation and expansion of this type of project can only be of a greater value to the students of today and the leaders of tomorrow.

Eric Coombes,
RR2, Ganges,
November 14, 1977

MORE INFORMATION

Sir,
I would like to identify myself as the candidate for school trustee who attended the last School Board meeting.

Mrs. Guthrie, at last night's candidates' meeting, referred to me (not by name) as not being able to understand the meeting of the School Board. I would be completely lacking in intelligence if I did not understand SB business after working in the school system for eleven years.

My expressed opinion was the public dropping in to a meeting would be entirely in the dark, for the committees have already presented their reports and conclusions to the members of the Board, and it only remains for the motion to be put forward. These reports are not circulated to the public at the meeting. I do not base this conclusion on one meeting, but on the minutes of the last 18 months studied by me.

If the Board truly want more input from the public it should be

Community Arts Council.

The season will open Sunday afternoon, Nov. 27, with a performance of the Kopanitsa Dancers, led by Karia Leschka, in the Activity Centre of the elementary school. The time will be 2 pm.

Scheduled for a December date to be announced, will be a session with our own Loyal Central Salt Spring Temperance and Dixieland Jazz Ensemble. Jean Knight,

willing to have more information made available.

Margaret D.C. Flewin,
Candidate for School Board,
Ganges,
November 15, 1977

BRAVO, RCMP!

Sir,
I'd like to express my gratitude for the R.C.M.P.'s much maligned and misinterpreted activities in protecting Canadians and Canada's interests in these present troubled times.

It is a source of much grief and indignation to watch a fine and historic police force pilloried to serve the ends of political and envious critics.

During the Second World War in Britain we were advised to fight the "Fifth Column" (that faceless and subversive army of malcontents working for Britain's downfall) by guarding against careless and irresponsible talk -- something that the present-day media would do well to think about and (hopefully) pursue.

It is a measure of the success of the Force that we have not been plagued with more Cross incidents; it is also symptomatic of the times that we should all be willing to lay aside our own interests in the interests of national security. Terrorists are only one (more visible) side of the enemies of democracy.

It behooves us all to support the Force.

P.F. Wright,
Arbutus Road,
RR1, Ganges,
November 12, 1977.

violin, and Angela Funk, piano, whose recital was among last year's favourites, will return with a new program in the spring. Other attractions in this series, including vocal as well as instrumental groups, will be announced as arrangements become definite.

Joan Stacey is chairman of the committee for these events. Assisting her are May George, Laurie Neish, Jean Knight, Peter McCalman and Maggie Schubart. Special silk screen posters have been designed and executed by Sheralin Cook.

Damage to post office costs \$50

Failing to remain at the scene of an accident cost John Dunn \$25 in Provincial Court at Ganges Wednesday. Mr. Dunn pleaded guilty to the charge, which arose from an incident in Ganges, October 8.

Court was told that Mr. Dunn had run into the wall of the post office with his vehicle putting a small hole in the wall. Reason was given that he did not brake soon enough to avoid hitting the building.

Mr. Dunn said that damage had been unofficially estimated at five or ten dollars and that he had made a payment of \$25 to cover the damage.

Car is damaged

RCMP at Ganges are investigating an incident in which a car was damaged at the K & R parking lot at Ganges, November 2.

Car belonging to Mrs. Elizabeth Bridgen was parked in the lot when it was struck by another car at about one o'clock in the afternoon.

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By candidate for school board

The desire of the Alternative Programme, as seen by Peggy Flewin, is to create a family atmosphere, younger and older students mixing together. Students should be taught manners; manners that come from the heart and show consideration for others, manners that create harmony.

A message to Salt Spring Island Voters

With the retirement of George Heinekey as the elected director of the Capital Region Board, a strong replacement is required.

I am offering myself as a candidate because of this need.

After working for 30 years in the B.C. Forest Industry, starting as a labourer and finally as one of the top executives of the Industry, I feel I have gained the wide administrative ability required and the knowledge of the needs of people of all walks of life.

There are real problems to be looked after during this two year term, such as the Ganges Plan and all its important ramifications and the change over from the District to the Islands Trust the responsibility for the planning and use of land.

There is a real need for a strong, experienced administrator.

After almost four years on this island, I believe I am able to fill these requirements and solicit your support on voting day, November 19, 1977.

Remember: vote as you please, but please vote.

Arthur P. Lloyd

Candidate - Director
 Capital Regional District

November 10, 1977

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Degree awarded

A student from Pender Island is among 272 people who have been granted degrees and diplomas this fall by the University of Victoria.

Edward Bruce Stanley has been awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts in the field of geography.

They should venture forth into the outdoors to learn the lessons of nature, and be exposed to the achievements of man in the realms of art, architecture and scientific invention.

They should be exposed to more and better music. Creativity should be engendered and encouraged.

Discipline should be a very real part of training, for we must all learn self-discipline. Discipline should not be authoritarian or harsh, but should be something children respect and wish to emulate.

Children actually like a code to go by, and sign posts to lead the way. Physical education for every student is very important, and should be outdoors when possible, and not necessarily partaking in team sports which though good training in self-discipline and co-operation with others, tend to take precedence over physical education for all.

People should be allowed different approaches, for out of something new may come something better than that which has gone before. These goals and models should be encouraged.

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Some people would call it

Baloney . . . by Tony

One of the most unfortunate and regrettable inventions that has been brought about by twentieth century technology is that scourge of the modern world, television.

It is the number one pastime of millions of people all over the world and has taken the place of reading and thinking. It is destroying the imagination and causing stagnation in the minds of these millions. It is a sign of the degeneration of the human race.

It is similar to anything that thrives in today's world in that its success and popularity is based on money and nothing else.

One can look at any of the world's problems and if money is not at the root, then it plays an important role. But I don't intend to condemn the evils of money at this time: it would take considerably more than one issue of Driftwood to cover them all.

I find nothing more revolting than sitting around listening to a bunch of people discussing the merits of their favourite television show. All it amounts to is a dissertation on the various types of trash found in the garbage cans of the nation.

IT WAS BLAMED

The instance of the young boy in the United States who was recently convicted of murder and given a life sentence is a case in point. His defence was a very credible one. He was an addict of the boob tube, and it was blamed for his crime.

With this in mind, we would be wise to carefully consider all the implications involved in the flick of a switch that renders the brain useless, stifles the imagination and warps the mind.

Why not read a book instead? Or better still, read Driftwood again... you may have missed something! And if you did, you can be pretty damn sure that what you missed in Driftwood was of considerably greater value than anything ever shown on television.

What were you doing Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday evening? Did you stay at home and watch TV, read a book (or Driftwood) or go to the play? If you did the first, you're a fool; the second, you're smart; and the third, you're extremely intelligent.

The plays staged by the Salt Spring Players during the past year have been infinitely better than most of the television shows ever produced. Unfortunately, that doesn't say much for the Players.

So, in addition, I will add that if this local drama group would

produce something of a lower calibre than usual, the job of reviewing the production would be much simpler. As it is, they have kept up to their usual standard with their most recent presentation, Blithe Spirit.

An excellent play well-worth seeing and hard luck for anyone who missed it.

For those who don't have an outdoor thermometer and are desirous of knowing the temperature on Salt Spring Island, there is a Vancouver radio station attempting to keep islanders informed of local weather conditions.

It seems that Salt Spring is being considered as another major centre on the lower coast. The station, CKLF-FM, was including the island when it gave the temperatures for Nanaimo, Victoria and Vancouver on Saturday night.

We cannot help but appreciate their consideration but who wants to hear the island mentioned along with the "other" major centres? And what about Galiano, Mayne, Pender and Saturna?

In case anyone is interested, the temperature at this moment (9.29 am Tuesday) is eight degrees in beautiful, downtown Ganges. (When you get to the black dot, it was exactly 9.30 am).

Does anybody want any cats? If so, then perhaps Ace Mainwaring can help. The Salt Spring Island policeman reports that he's been besieged by calls from people with surplus cats.

It appears that he was the victim of a rather cruel practical joke. Someone inserted an ad in last week's paper asking for cats and Mainwaring's phone number was given. Evidently, a special investigative team has been assigned to the case.

Last time I saw Ace Mainwaring, he was off to feed his cats.

Meeting of Historical Association

The next meeting of the Gulf Islands Branch of the B.C. Historical Association will be held at Saturna at the Community Hall, Sunday, Nov. 27 at 1.30 pm.

Frank Copeland will speak on life on the West Coast; visitors are welcome.

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Bev Walters is back after elections of officers

The annual meeting of Central Community Hall Society was held last week at the Elementary School, Ganges, with the president Bev Walters in the chair.

Minutes of the last annual meeting were read by the secretary-treasurer, Mrs. M. Cunningham, and adopted. On October 6th, 1976, the Hall became registered as the Central Community Hall Society.

The Treasurer's report showed receipts for the year of \$715 and expenses of \$309 in the general account, and a balance of \$11,089.21 in the Human Resources account. Grants to come from the Recreation & Conservation Department and the Job Creation Branch (for labour) will be received in varying payments as work progresses.

Elections proceeded, with officers of the society as follows: Bev Walters, president; David Parsons, vice-president; Mrs. M. Cunningham, Secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Joyce Parsons, Mrs. Virginia Newman, Ray Newman and Bill Bartsch, directors.

As Nigel Desbottes is now working in Victoria and Don Cunningham has retired for the ensuing year, two vacancies may be filled at the forthcoming meeting of the society on November 30.

Building plans were thoroughly discussed and the society left their completion for Jonathan Yardley. Work has already commenced on the site.

Owing to the excessive rise in the cost of materials at the present time it has been ascertained that building costs will be from \$10,000 to \$20,000 higher than the funds the society has.

Part of this is also due to the regulations regarding public buildings.

"Since everybody on the island will benefit from an improved hall," said Mrs. Cunningham, we are appealing to all to come to our aid in helping us fund this worthwhile project. The local Old Age Pensioners' Organization, Branch #32, has already offered us their \$5,000 building fund."

A Help Central Hall Fund is being established at the Bank of Montreal and Box 484, Ganges.

A meeting will be held at Central Hall on November 30 at 8 pm and all organizations on the island are invited to send a representative. Persons interested in helping in any way may attend as well.

"As this community project is of concern to all on the island it is of vital importance that ways and means of financing this project be discussed -- and we need your help!" said Mrs. Cunningham.

Noise is problem in wood shop

In a letter from the Gulf Islands Teachers Association, Gulf Islands School Board was told that noise and fume problems in the foundry of the metal shop had been resolved.

However, the board was informed of a noise problem in the wood shop. The extractor currently in use, the letter said, is too small and was not installed correctly.

If you have something for this column: call Elsie Brown at 539-2480

Mainly Mayne

BY ELSIE BROWN

Despite the cold blustery weather the attendance was tremendous at the Annual Bazaar on Saturday sponsored by the W.A. of St. Mary Magdalene church. The members are most grateful for the generous support given to this affair by islanders and visitors and wish to thank them very much.

Islanders in the Lighthouse area had a ring-side seat for the re-floating of CP Rail's Carrier Princess which ran aground early Wednesday morning on Galiano. It was finally dislodged by the aid of tugs and was able to proceed on its way to Swartz Bay.

Get Well wishes to "Buzz" Smith of Miners Bay who has returned after a visit to hospital in Victoria where he had surgery. He also spent a few days at Lady Minto Hospital, Ganges. We wish him a speedy recovery. Belated birthday greetings to him also.

Another islander on the sick list has been Roy Crispin, who has returned after a trip to hospital for treatments. Get Well wishes to him also.

John Dought is recuperating after a bout with the flu and has also had a couple of trips to Lady Minto for tests. He reports he is feeling better.

Visiting Cece and Doris Gardner, Bennett Bay, have been Cece's sister and brother-in-law, Mina and Ted Treliving of Virden, Manitoba. Also a brother from Winnipeg, Mowbray Gardner and a sister, Rita Carriere from Fort St. John, B.C., who attended the Heart Convention in Vancouver.

Wally and Margaret Twamley, Bennett Bay, spent an enjoyable month motoring through the Maritimes following a flight to Toronto.

The countryside was colorful in its Fall attire, weather was good and accommodation comfortable. Margaret is president of the W.A. St. Mary Magdalene and found lots to do on her arrival home.

Visiting Vic and Marjorie Haggart, Sea View Road, have been Margaret Allison of Burnaby and regular visitors daughter Judy Jordison, Kathy and Michele.

Visiting Phil and Marybelle Jarman and family are Marybelle's parents, Rev. and Mrs. J.W.A. Stinson of Fordwich, Ont. Mr. Stinson has been kept busy taking services at both the Community Church and St. Mary Magdalene. We regret that Bishop Wilkinson was unable to conduct the service

Sunday morning due to illness.

Community Church services are held at 3.00 pm Sunday afternoons until further notice.

A painting course under the direction of Frances Faminow at the See Studio on Bayview Drive, entitled Line, Design, Colour, is starting this coming week. It is co-sponsored by Gulf Island Studios and Continuing Education. For more information call 539-2835.

It could take one or two centuries for the waters of Puget Sound to recover from the effects of an oil spill.

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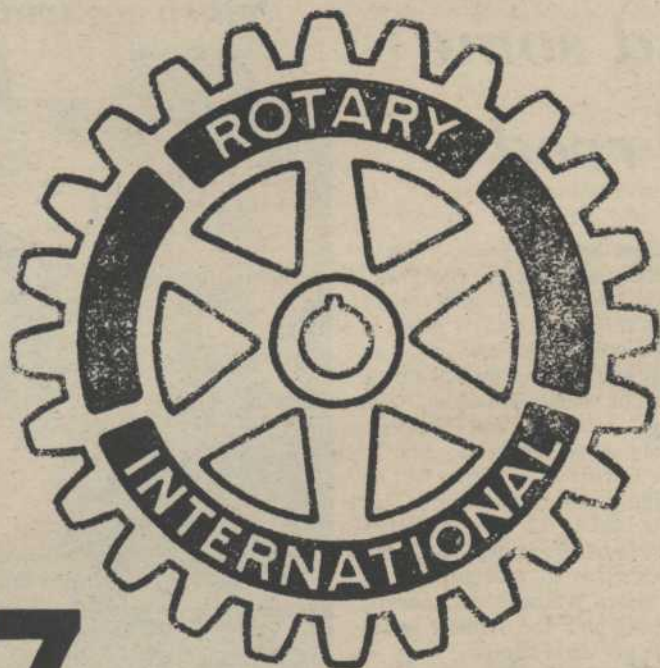
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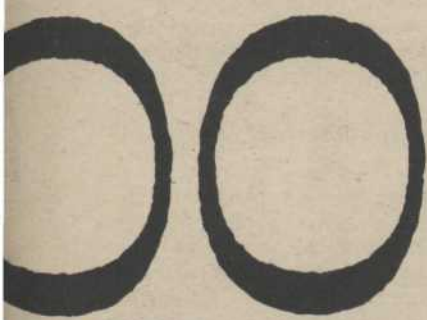
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Last Mizpah meeting and some confusion over period served

BY OLIVE MOUAT

There were 20 who answered when Mrs. Bunty McNally, Acting Secretary of Mizpah, called the roll. Mrs. Marion Woolley, president, was in the chair.

The Devotional Period was led by Mrs. Adelaide Sibley.

Saying that Remembrance Day was near, and that it is so easy not to remember words that we have read some time ago, she opened her meditation by reading "In Flanders Fields."

She pointed out that this poem is no glorification of war, but rather a plea for peace, and for people who enjoy the life that our soldiers' sacrifices have made possible to accept the responsibilities that go with these privileges. Mrs. Sibley concluded the very moving worship period with quotations from both

the old and the new testaments.

Miss Olive Mouat introduced the donation of the Least Coin by requesting everyone to pray for the heads of the totalitarian countries of the world, in the hope that they might be led to be even a little more humane and peaceful.

GIFT ON LEAVING

During the business period, a motion was passed that suggested giving a small gift in appreciation to hard-working members who move away from Salt Spring Island, and also to retiring presidents.

"That," said the president, "is a motion with which I am in whole-hearted agreement. After all, I'll be a retiring president this year."

"Oh, no! you won't," exclaimed someone. "We elected you president for two years."

"Yes, you did; and I have been

President for two years." For a moment there was a thoughtful silence. Then the Acting Secretary rapidly turned back a few pages in the Minute Book, and with an angelic smile placed the open book in front of Madam President. "I'm wrong," murmured the President. "It only seemed like two years."

The Christmas luncheon will be held this year on December 8. This is a Pot Luck Lunch which all ladies of the church are invited to attend. (Ladies! This is your invitation.) Mrs. Grace Williams will convene the lunch and the Fulford ladies will be guests of honour.

LETTER OF THANKS

It was agreed to send a letter of thanks to Mrs. Mary Williamson for her part in making the after-church social hour a success. For several years Mrs. Williamson has taken the responsibility of seeing that all necessary supplies are in the cupboard, ready for the tea hosts and hostesses.

Mrs. Baseley, who has been a most efficient co-ordinator, always securing tea and coffee makers each week, requested that a new volunteer co-ordinator be chosen in the New Year. A hearty vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Baseley for her excellent work.

Ms. Dorothy McEachern, Devotional Convener, obtained a list of members willing to lead the worship services for each meeting next year.

The remainder of the meeting was devoted to the finalizing of plans for the Christmas Bazaar which will be held on Friday, November 18, in both the upper and lower United Church halls.

The home baking stalls are to be upstairs and to start selling at 2 pm. Everything else (sewing, knitting, novelties, church calendars, children's table, and tea) will be downstairs, and (PLEASE NOTE!) will not be open until 2:15.

Delicious refreshments were served by Miss Betty McGinnes and Mrs. Dorothy McEachern, and a happy social period was enjoyed.

The world's drinkers of alcohol spend \$100,000,000,000 every year on alcoholic beverages.

Salish weaving on Salt Spring



Some Salt Spring Island weavers took part in a Salish weaving workshop recently. Here are some of those who took part in the course, which was conducted by Beth Cherneff.

Spinners and weavers set plans for Christmas sale

BY MERLE BOX

Come and see how it's done! Visitors to the Potters and Weavers Guilds' Pre-Christmas Show and Sale at Mahon Hall this weekend, will be treated to exciting craft demonstrations. On Saturday afternoon, Marg Pearce and Vera Petapiece will be hand-building with clay, showing forming, texturing, and decorating techniques, while Gerry Wilkin will be throwing pots on the wheel.

On Saturday and Sunday, Marg Fischer, Allison Sumner, and Vee Elder will be weaving on hand looms, while Judith McKenzie and Jess Peck will be spinning. Lillian Beauchemin, Wendy Coombs and Josie Utley will be demonstrating Inkle looms.

You'll enjoy these demonstrations. And you can take this opportunity to select locally-made pottery and hand-spun and hand-woven items for Christmas gift-giving. Don't forget the "bargain table", offering crafts at reduced prices.

Tea and homemade cookies will be served.

Many members of both guilds have been working hard to make the show and sale a success. Among them are: Marjorie Beggs, Maria Dammel, Bobbi Davies, Marg Fisher, Pat Fullerton, Suzanne Gagnon, Pat Herchmer, Tom Leader, Isabel Marr, Gerry Munneke, Mary Pyntz, Alice Rich, Alice Richards, Marg and Mark Rithaler, Migs Russell, Katie

Schlegl, Joyce Shaughnessy, Shanti Sonoma, Morton Stratton, and Margaret Toulmin.

Guides and Brownies stage tea

Bazaar and tea will be staged by the Guides and Brownies on Salt Spring Island at St. George's church hall.

The girls will vote for the bazaar while their elders vote for school and regional representatives. The Guides affair and voting day are both scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 19.

Bazaar will run from 2 pm until 4 pm.

"Last year we handled some unusually heavy expenses," reports Gwen Albhouse, for the Guides association, "and our bank balance is quite low."

She expressed the hope that the bazaar will be a success in order to meet all the expenses of Guiding on the island.

Mrs. Albhouse put out a call to parents for every type of goods which can be sold at the bazaar.

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Silver Maynes travel from Bali to Afghanistan at slide presentation

BY ELSIE BROWN

A large number of Silver Mayne members with friends and visitors enjoyed a pot luck supper starting at 6 pm on Monday evening, November 7.

The regular monthly business was put over until the annual meeting to be held on Monday, December 5 at 2 pm, when Francis Faminow and Bill Wheaton will explain their art courses and give an outline of the courses which will be available during the winter.

The president, Vic Griffiths, welcomed the visitors and introduced the guest speakers, Len and Norma Chatwin, who gave a most interesting and informative lecture well-illustrated with coloured slides. They explained that the slides and presentation was a joint effort and covered the two and one half years of their residence in New Delhi, India and was entitled, "From Bali to Afghanistan and the foot of Mount Everest".

They chose 300 slides from their large collection of several thousand and started at Bali, an island of 2,000 square miles of tranquil loveliness and unspoiled beauty. They showed scenes of a green and verdant land with lush countryside of palms, terraced landscapes and rice paddies which were many, as rice is their main crop. The Balinese being a very artistic people, their slides showed scenes of carvings, sculpture, temples and dance groups with the Gamelon orchestra which supplied the music for the dances, all of which were of a religious background. Indonesia is largely Muslim but the Balinese have a form of Hinduism. The Chatwins found the island a paradise on earth.

BANGKOK

Next they showed Bangkok, Thailand as a glittering romantic city containing 400 temples. A highlight was the floating market and scenes from a launch trip through extensive canals depicted a photographer's field day. Then we were shown scenes from Cambodia of temples and the Angkor bridge leading to the ancient city "Angkor", seat of the Khymer Empire over a thousand years old.

The ruins of this capital city cover an area of 60 square miles. Ta Prohm, a monument covered by forests, has been left this way to show the state it was in when rediscovered in 1860. It shows the life of the time around 1100 A.D.

Next was Ceylon, now called Sri Lanka, which was shown as a country of gorgeous sunsets.

And then on to Madras, India where the earliest Indian people (Dravidians) settled 5,000 years ago. At Kerala they showed the local fishermen pulling in their nets. Also, by telephoto lens they

obtained slides of wild elephants in the Lake Periyer Game Sanctuary.

Views of New Delhi showed the Republic Day Parade an impressive and colourful sight. One slide showed a section from the large crowd of over a million people who watch this event annually. The folk dances shown were about important events in the lives of an agricultural people. They touched on Agra, about 124 miles from New Delhi and also Jaipur, the pink city so called from the pink sandstone of which the Palace of the Winds is made.

UNIQUE BEAUTY

On to Kashmir, where the Chatwins stayed in a house boat and enjoyed a unique beauty in the soft blending landscape of mountains and streams. Here they reverted briefly to an earlier trek near Darjeeling when their guide was Karma Paul, who was one of the outfitters of the early 1920 Mount Everest expedition.

They took us on a side trip by car through Pakistan to Afghanistan. One slide showed a camel caravan still used in this area. Lahore is the cultural centre of Pakistan and is rich in history. After a short stop they drove to Kabul, about 240 miles along the historic Khyber pass. Picture taking on this trip was hazardous. There were armed sentries on every hill and photographing natives was strictly forbidden. The Khyber took them to Afghanistan which is a highland of sandy tracts, barren hills, green valleys and the snow peaks of the Hindu Kush. The people are a hardy, handsome and swarthy mixture of races.

Their most exciting experience was the 40 days they were in Nepal. This was made up of 20 days in November, 1968 and 20 days in February, 1969. During November to March the air is dry and clear in this area. We were shown mountain scenes, terraced fields, harvesting scenes and many glimpses of natives along the trail. They were able to buy produce including locally grown oranges and lemons from the farmers.

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In Kali Gandaki, deepest gorge in the world, they met mule trains carrying salt from Tibet down the thousand-year-old trade route. They travelled along narrow trails deeply cut along the gorge. Some of the mules were gaily decorated and wore bells delightfully harmonious. The November trek ended near Pokhara. They had taken over 650 pictures from a most beautiful area. The second trek was in Eastern Nepal. They showed slides of masses of rhododendrons, more mountain views, with scenes of natives and pastoral views of sheep. They have a most beautiful picture of a sunset on Ama Dablam. They spent three days on their final 3,000 foot climb to the foot of Mount Everest where they hoped they had left us as high and dizzy as their Asian experience had left them. Cec Gardener then moved a most hearty vote of thanks on behalf of all present for a most enjoyable evening.

Doll display featured at Christmas Bazaar

On Saturday afternoon, November 12, the Ladies' Service Guild on Galiano Island held their annual Christmas Bazaar. This year it featured a doll display, with all different types and sizes of dolls. It is hoped to have a more complete report on this event for the next issue of Driftwood.

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	NO	X

Fellow Salt Spring Islanders:

When we enter the voting booth on Saturday we will be faced with a pointless referendum - pointless because the question of which organization should plan this Island has already been decided in September by a unanimous vote of all four parties in the Legislature. The law of B.C., now proclaimed, requires that the Islands Trust take over all island planning from the Capital Regional District on January 1, 1978.

The Referendum is, however, a fact and we therefore strongly recommend that you vote **NO** for the following three reasons:

1. **More Responsive and Responsible Planning**

Planning under the Trust will see decisions made by a committee on which 3 persons are Salt Spring Islanders and 2 are from other islands at this time.

Contrast this with the Regional District where our solitary Director is one of 18. But numbers don't tell the full story.

The urban dominated Capital Regional District reflects an urban attitude and perhaps explains why big city proposals such as apartments for Vesuvius, contrary to the Community Plan, were never questioned.

Our interests are closer to the other islands of the Gulf and the Trust will honor our Community Plan.
2. **Planning Streamlined**

We have been overplanned with both the Province, the Regional District and the Trust involved on the Island.

This has not only confused the public at large but has resulted in duplication for those proposing acceptable development.
3. **Tax Savings**

This year we paid 2.26 mills of taxation to the Capital Region for planning. Next year the Trust will probably require only 1 mill and is limited to 1 1/2 mills by law.

This saving does not, however, mean a drop in the level of service because under the Trust the Government will provide a considerable grant for the whole Trust Area.

Salt Spring is a part of a unique group of islands having much in common. Our future is with these islands in the Trust. Let us therefore endorse more local control over planning for Salt Spring and vote **NO** on Saturday.

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The stage was set with rattan furniture and various plants from the Garden Faire and Florist Shop.

Lighting was done by elementary school teacher Chuck Nelken making the stage look very soft. A ramp came from centre stage out to the audience, giving everyone full view of the models.

The show opened with Christopher Wilson eldest son of Mrs. Facca introducing Marguerite Lee as commentator. Marguerite has commented at many fashion shows and will always add a touch of class to any stage.

Over one hundred sets of outfits were shown by twenty two models starting with morning wear and ending with evening wear.

Sweaters, blouses of every style to go with skirts, pants, gouchos were shown. As you know we haven't seen dresses for almost eight years, now they are back in style and we saw many in the show. Two and three piece suits of soft warm wools with gray and brown tones were shown.

To end the show the models wore evening gowns suitable for all the Christmas parties coming up and also for cruise wear.

The Grand Finale was a tribute to the band with all the models marching on stage with musical instruments.

A big highlight of the show was Mr. Wilf Davies and the G.I.S.S. Band providing the music which was a delight to everyone's ears.

At intermission everyone enjoyed coffee and cake provided by the band with the help of Rita Dods and Theresa Rooke.

The band made posters for the show and first prize went to Bruce Cobanli; second, Maya Hoffman and third Kelly Knutsen.

Gerry's Fashions wish to thank Lyn Hedger and Wendy Mullen fashion show co-ordinators, commentator Marguerite Lee, the models, Mr. Wilf Davies and the G.I.S.S. Band and everyone else who worked so hard to make the show a success.

Election meeting at school

Two outline plans for Regional Board

Two candidates for the vacant seat on the Capital Regional Board spoke to an audience of about 70 people in the Activity Room in Ganges on Monday evening. Meeting was sponsored by Driftwood and Frank Richards took the chair.

Seeking election on Salt Spring Island are **James Bryce** and **Arthur Lloyd**.

Third man in the race, Robert Aston explained that he was not seeking support and had sought to withdraw his name from the ballot. He expressed his concern at the rift between the Capital Regional Board and the ministry of municipal affairs.

Bryce had a four-point presentation.

The functions of land use, zoning and subdivision are now with the Islands Trust, he observed, and there is not much the islanders can do about it, even if they might want to. He promised to call on the competent people of Salt Spring Island for advice whenever it should appear necessary.

He would also like to see more communication between the Regional district and the community. He proposed a regular informational meeting.

A sewer system is undoubtedly needed in parts of Ganges, he agreed. He is sympathetic to the further investigation of new developments in the field of sewage disposal and he told his audience that he would welcome any alternative to discharging effluent into the harbour. The cost of such a system is too great, anyway, he noted.

NOT PAST PHASE ONE

The sewer project should not go beyond Phase 1, he urged and with it the hope for more help from the provincial government.

In New Westminster there has been a farmers' market since 1892 and it is still a great attraction, he told the meeting.

"I think the Farmers' Market has value," he stated, "It is primarily a social event."

Of the two plans in existence for Ganges, he observed that both have merit, although the alternative plan has had little, if any, exposure to the island. Traffic pattern and sewage disposal are the important features of the plan.

Arthur Lloyd suggested that the

voters have to judge the candidates.

"This is more important than judging the issues," he submitted.

He spoke of his early years as a labourer in the woods and of his advancement in the first 10 years to be assistant to the manager of a 900-man operation.

He has considerable planning

Bryce names Wilson as alternate

Regional Board candidate Jim Bryce has announced his choice of Quentin Wilson to serve as his alternate if he is elected, subject to confirmation by the board.

Wilson is an inventor and marine engineer, a 21 year resident of Fulford Harbour, where he and his wife run a small marina.

He has been active in the Salt Spring Planning Association for several years, serving two successive terms as chairman.

"Quentin's planning experience will make him an especially valuable alternate," Jim Bryce said in announcing his choice. "he has a balanced view on development and has been a part of our island community during its transition from an obscure spot on the map to one of Canada's prized assets for scenery and climate."

PARTICIPATION

Bryce reports plans to extend community participation in local administration. He reviews a long list of problem areas: Schools, health, business, parks and recreation, transportation, planning, water resources, waste disposal, logging, handicapped and aging people, community arts, agriculture, fisheries, marine services and construction.

"I will be calling on fellow islanders who are knowledgeable in these fields as situations arise."

Discussions with such advisors would be in public to develop broad participation in public affairs, he avowed.

experience from his association with the early development of Salmon Arm and McKenzie, said Lloyd.

During his career he has been in close communication with ministers and senior government officials, recalled Mr. Lloyd and he is confident that this experience will be of value should he be elected to the board.

He added that he is a skilful listener.

HATES WASTE

His final observation was that he hates waste, at any level and of anything.

In reply to a question from Sue Ramsey, Jim Bryce explained that his experience was limited to six years on a municipal council in Saskatchewan, other than considerable work in community projects.

Paul Layard commented that Bryce had promised to name his alternate before the election and asked who that might be.

It was to be published this week, replied the candidate and the name is Quentin Wilson.

Art Lloyd figures that under the terms of Bill 25, the duties of director will change and he wants a careful look before he makes a commitment.

Director George Heinecky spoke to comment that the appointment is not a requirement under the municipal act, it is the privilege of the director to do so.

Lloyd had views on current

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issues on the island, he said in reply to Jack Fisher's question.

The original Salt Spring Island Plan envisaged a maximum population of 15,000, he said. With 6,000 at the end of the harbour and 2,000 at Fulford and another 2,000 at Vesuvius "we are endangering the jewel we have".

He was critical of the Ganges Plan as he had been when it was presented a week earlier.

TOO MANY PEOPLE

"If we're shooting at 15,000, I think 6,000 is too high," he stated.

The higher the concentration, the higher the servicing costs, he warned.

He also opposed the discharge of sewage into the harbour, as he had when making his announcement of coming into the fight.

In the core area it may be possible to move effluent back on the land, rather than dump it in the harbour, he urged.

"We've seen the government set-up, with the Islands Trust to preserve what we have," he told the meeting. "and we have to establish a limit and then live up to it!"

Bryce agreed that he didn't come to the island to bring suburbia with him. He sees water as the determining factor in growth.

Unless there is a start made on checking of water, the community cannot make a decision on how many people will live on the island, he asserted.

Both candidates expressed misgivings about the effect of power boats on island lakes.

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FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Local and out-of-town visitors gathered last Tuesday afternoon for the official opening of the new School Board and Health Unit Offices.

G.S. Humphreys, chairman of the school board, welcomed the group. He remarked on the long felt need for this new building and noted the tremendous improvement over the old quarters.

A dispatch from our foreign correspondent on Saturna Island, a reporter who is dedicated to unbiased and objective reporting except in the rare circumstances where objective reporting does not show his version of the news as plain as it should.

Irate ratepayers of Saturna Island met last Saturday night in the Community Hall and effectively stalled the formation of the maverick Saturna Ratepayers Association.

In a hard fought procedural battle, the question of whether the meeting was an organizational one or the first general meeting of a "Saturna Ratepayers Association" was never resolved.

It was argued that since there had been no previous public call, the meeting must be an organizational one.

Promoters of the scheme, who claimed that an organization with due paying members was already set up, acknowledged that no membership qualifications had yet been fixed. It was learned that a letter had already gone forward to the premier on transportation, and that committees had been struck to deal with other local problems.

The majority present supported the long established Saturna Community Club as the best agency through which the various community problems that arise may be dealt with.

TEN YEARS AGO

It was on again, off again, then on again, with the school bus promised for Galiano Island, Robert Patterson, transportation chairman reported to the school board.

The small bus purchased from Queen Charlotte Islands school district for interim use on Galiano was to have been delivered last month.

Queen Charlotte School Board decided they would keep the bus after all, and then agreed for the second time to let it go. The bus should arrive here sometime next week, said Mr. Patterson.

The Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital has just completed the busiest month patientwise, in its history, with a total of 565 patient days.

To date some 550 patients have been hospitalized with a total of 4,700 patient days for 1967. This is an increase of 60% over 1966.

Ladies' Auxiliary to Lady Minto Hospital have recently spent \$725 of the monies raised by the auction in Mahon Hall and have acquired an arm board for the operating table, an adjustable wheel chair and an ice machine for making ice cubes.

Vicki Waterfall, of Hereford Avenue, Ganges, has a taste for raspberries. She also has a green thumb.

She has displayed this week a new shoot from her canes. The shoot bears a round dozen of large, luscious berries.

It is the second crop to be taken from the canes this year. The first crop, though larger was seasonable.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Harbour House Hotel at Ganges was destroyed by fire during the early morning hours on Tuesday. Biggest blaze ever fought by Salt Spring Island Volunteer Fire Department, the fire damaged woodwork and windows of the new Condor Inn structure, but firemen saved it from destruction.

Alarm was sounded shortly after 3 am and all fire trucks on the island, including truck and crew from the Fulford Hall, attended the fire.

Lawn on the far side of the hotel roadway was burned off in the heat and firemen's vehicles parked far from the blaze suffered damage from the intense heat.

The wood structure, three storeys high, was gone within 20 minutes. Firemen on the roof of the new wing were playing hoses on the roof when the fire broke through. The old hotel was occupied by only one person, a member of the hotel staff, who escaped to safety.

Johnny Waterfall has quit the post office after nine years of driving over the roads of North Salt Spring Island.

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We will remember them



It was Remembrance Day. Throughout the province and across the land aging veterans and young children went to the Cenotaph or the church to pay tribute to the fallen.

"We will remember them," said the veterans. "They shall not grow old," said the mourners. On Salt Spring Island the Royal Canadian Legion led the parade to

the Cenotaph and other veterans and residents took part.

In the chill winter breeze the participants observed two minutes' silence and took part in a brief religious ceremony.

There were the older people with memories of war and there were younger people with memories of what they had heard and there were the Guides and Brownies with no memories.

Large numbers of wreaths were laid on the Cenotaph afterwards.

Building permits up in September from last year

— On some islands

The value of building permits issued on Salt Spring Island during September was \$303,715; eight permits were issued. On Pender, three permits were handed out with a value of \$116,272; on Galiano, five permits, \$238,360; Mayne, five permits, \$101,378; and on Saturna Island, no permits were issued.

For the calendar year to the end of September, 81 permits went out on Salt Spring with a value of \$3,213,708; on Pender, 38 permits valued at \$1,726,286; Galiano, 22 permits at \$965,572; Mayne, 29 permits, \$935,873; Saturna, five permits, \$181,028; Piers Island, one permit, \$17,000; and Lizard

Island, one permit at \$28,000.

For September of last year, figures were lower on some of the islands. Seven permits were issued on Salt Spring valued at \$329,842. On Pender, one permit was issued at a value of \$31,000; Galiano, no permits were issued; Mayne, five at \$147,752; and Saturna, one permit, \$32,448.

For the calendar year to the end of September, 1976, 121 permits went out to Salt Spring; value of the construction was \$4,787,191. There were 38 permits to Pender, value was \$1,087,594; Galiano, 20 permits, \$861,008; Mayne, 31 permits, \$831,231; and Saturna, two permits, \$51,398.

Winds and storm slow ferries

High winds on Saturday night caused a hesitation in ferry services about the islands.

The evening sailing of the Mayne Queen was cancelled and the Outer Islands vessel remained tied up at Swartz Bay.

On the mainland service, the Queen of Alberni was land-bound at Tsawwassen on Saturday evening.

Heavy winds and stormy seas were responsible.

Candidate

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He is not an advocate of the transfer of this function to the Islands Trust. His own personal preference was for the retention of planning and associated functions by the Board. This was the first plank in his platform, he recalls. He had also urged that the capabilities of the Capital Regional Board and its directorate must be improved on, judged by its past performance. He was planning to work to that end.

REFERENDUM

Referring to the referendum on the preference for Regional Board or Islands Trust, he pointed out that "the question and its preamble, as printed in Driftwood on November 2, are tendentious."

Before submitting his name for nomination he had received full assurance from the Board that the question would be without bias and that the results of the ballot would be used only as an indicator of opinion rather than as a confrontative tool. In his opinion, this latter use seems more likely, he said.

He expressed appreciation to his sponsors and the many people who promised him their votes. He was also appreciative of the many who, "on street corners or wherever," gave him their time to listen and discuss his point of view.




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