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## Bathtub race is considered

# Salt Spring given \$1,000 grant for bicentennial

Salt Spring Island will take part in the Captain Cook Bicentennial celebrations this year. The provin-

cial Ministry of Tourism has given the island a grant amounting to about \$1,000 to promote events celebrating the bicentennial.

Chamber of Commerce president Gary MacPherson told Driftwood on Tuesday that it was a per capita grant, based on the figure of 20c per person.

Various events that take place on the island during the year will be included in the Captain Cook commemoration. For instance, May Day will become the Captain Cook Bicentennial May Day.

About half the money, said MacPherson, would be distributed to different clubs and organizations for promotion of their bicentennial events.

Another event being investigated by the chamber is a bathtub race in Ganges Harbour. MacPherson estimated that \$4-500 of the grant would go towards such a race if the community shows enough interest in the idea.

"We're looking for some community-spirited person to organize it," he said.

## Signs in Ganges are traffic hazard

The posting of signs on the diamond at the intersection of Lower Ganges and Fulford-Ganges Roads is no longer being permitted. The grass-covered area in front of Ganges Pharmacy has been a popular place for advertising coming events on Salt Spring.

Highways foreman Ken Stevens told Driftwood on Tuesday that the signs were a traffic hazard. He explained that they were becoming too numerous and too large.

He said there were five signs on the diamond one day last week and one of them measured four feet by four feet.

"I had instructions some time ago to remove the signs," said Mr. Stevens. "There were also a couple of complaints from people with small cars."

## Selection made from 30 applications

# New Fire Chief comes to island from Victoria

Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District has selected a new

Fire Chief out of 30 applications that were received for the position.

The new chief is Robert Leask, who comes to the island from Victoria. He was employed there for 23 years with the Canadian Forces Fire Service, a civilian group that acts as the Department of National Defence Fire Department. Leask was a lieutenant when he left his job in Victoria.

The only major change that the new fire chief can see is that he will be working with volunteers instead of men who are being paid for the work. There were about 110 men employed in the Victoria department.

Mr. Leask has a family in Victoria and he expects them to join him some time in the near future.

He takes the position formerly held by Kelly Hanke, who left the island at the beginning of the year.



ROBERT LEASK

## Rally winner



The winning entry in the Car Rally, Engine Number 5½, arrives at the intersection of Rainbow and Canal Roads. They took a left turn here, without much hesitation, and went on to win.

## At Mouat Park

# Tent is destroyed by fire

Fire destroyed a tent in Mouat Park at Ganges on Friday when a valve came off a propane cylinder. Salt Spring Island Fire Department was called to the park shortly after 8 am.

John Ruder and his wife, of Surrey, were in the tent at the time and sustained minor burns. The young child who was with them was unharmed.

There was a propane lamp attached to the cylinder when the valve came off. It was burning at the time and subsequently ignited the leaking gas.

# Island firemen take first place in Car Rally Sunday

Winner of the first annual Salt Spring Island Car Rally on Sunday was the island's Volunteer Fire Department in Engine Number 5½. One of the rally organizers, Pamela Jay, said the firemen did "really well" and solved 61 out of 68 clues.

Competitors were required to solve the clues in order to determine the direction of the routes. Neil Christiansen was driver of the fire truck; Erling Jorgensen and Gordon McPhee were the navigators. They won the first prize of a box of chocolates and a \$5 gas certificate.

Second prize of a \$5 gas certificate was won by Mary Williamson who solved 53 clues and drove the rally in the correct driving time of two hours and 23 minutes. Her navigator was Kathy Rahtz.

Lisa Cheeseman was awarded third prize, a magnetized flash-

light, for solving 55 clues and completing the rally with a good driving time.

## BEST-DECORATED CAR

Another box of chocolates was given to Heather Simpson for having the best-decorated car. A consolation prize of a set of glasses was given to Pete Osburn for the least number of clues solved and Don Piperno won a large jar of Turtle wax for taking the longest time to drive the course.

Twenty cars started and completed the 50.7-mile rally.

Pamela Jay expressed gratitude on Monday to the people who manned the checkpoints. They were Craig Marshall, Paul, Arlene, Krista, Kurt and Kelly Sadler and Margaret Mary McCallum.

She was also grateful to Elise Sadler, Ken Fluet and David Burrows for "their timing and totalling expertise."

"The day was fun and if you have a friend who drove the rally you'll already have heard how funny it was, and what a success," she added.

# It's not always foggy at Mayne Island

Fog comes and goes on the Gulf Islands and consequently the sound of a foghorn is not uncommon. But on Mayne Island these days, the sound of the foghorn at Active Pass Light station is becoming quite common, even when there is no fog.

The new fog detector was installed at the Georgina Point lighthouse before Christmas and hasn't worked properly yet.

Superintendent of Lights, Captain Bill Exley told Driftwood last week that the detector is not a new type and there are a number of them in use on the coast. He believed that it wasn't adjusted correctly.

But lightkeeper Jack Ruck, of Mayne Island, said Monday that he'd "reset it all he could" and felt the machine would have to be replaced.

A technician had been to

Mayne a week before, he said, and had checked the detector with instruments and decided that it was set up properly. Even helicopters have been brought in to fight the maverick horn.

Evening came with not a fog-bank to be seen and the horn was activated almost half a dozen times within a period of about four hours. Jack Ruck said Monday that he'd been using the machine manually and had just turned it on.

"I'm expecting it to come on any time now."

Captain Exley said his department was concerned and that they would do everything they could to correct the horn. He explained that he was not unsympathetic with islanders who had to listen to it.

"To hear it when there's no fog, well, no one wants to go through that."

## Planners to meet

The regular meeting of the Community Planning Association is scheduled for Monday, April 10, at 8 p.m. in the Gulf Islands Secondary School, Room No. 6.

In addition to regular business, special committees will be called on to make their reports.

## Swallows reach south end

Swallows are reported to have reached the south end of Salt Spring Island. Driftwood was tipped off with this information by an anonymous caller last week.

Swallows arrived on the north end of the island about two weeks ago.

Three days of skiing

Pensioners group seeks branch for Salt Spring Islanders

Robert J. Loosemore, vice president, Federal Superannuates National Association for Vancouver Island, addressed an overflow quarterly meeting of the Duncan and District Branch recently.

Loosemore reported that both the federal ministry of pensions and private consultants have for several months been studying the subject of proposed pension and indexing changes, including pensions in the private sector. Treasury Board president Robert Andress stated in the House of Commons that, although some of these reports have been received he will make public comment only when all recommendations have been submitted.

John L. Lawrence, member of the ad hoc committee appointed to study proposals, told the meeting he had received reports of the first phase of the studies from the minister, and gave a comprehensive review of the proposals to date. He advised all members and superannuates of the federal civil service, the armed forces and the RCMP to contact federal members of parliament, cabinet ministers and candidates in the next federal election to ascertain their views regarding pensions.

Following the meeting 10 members from Salt Spring Island consulted Mr. Loosemore regarding the organization of a branch of the association in Ganges.



Here are some of the grade 7 students from Ganges who went to Summerland on a ski trip. They were not, as readers will note, solely engaged in skiing, but took part in various other activities in

the Okanagan town. (Photo courtesy Dave Gamble, Summerland Review).

Island students travel to Summerland

A party of 55 grade 7 students from Salt Spring Elementary School travelled recently to Summerland for their annual ski trip.

They were accompanied by teachers Alan Marsh, Glenn Woodley and Chuck Nelken and parent chaperones Betty Calkins and

Sherry Hickman.

The trip to Summerland was organized at short notice because the snow which was expected at Forbidden Plateau in Courtney failed to materialize and Apex Mountain in Penticton was chosen as an alternative.

The students and teachers of the

party were grateful to the organizing teachers and parents of Summerland who provided them with the opportunity of enjoying three days of spring skiing in BC's interior. The weather was good, skiing conditions excellent and the Okanagan hospitality outstanding, said one of the party.

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**Saturna Scene**  
 BY KUKLOS

Easter week end was a happy one. Former residents Jack and Elsie Dangerfield were over, as was special long-time citizen Arthur Ralph. Arthur's daughter, Margaret Denham of Cobble Hill, accompanied him from Victoria. On island, Arthur resumed residence with his old friend, Eddie Reid. Gloria and Lloyd Smith, Arthur's granddaughter and son-in-law, with Leah and Trevor, were on hand, and Arthur received the warm greetings of family and friends. He was delighted to be "home" again.

Easter Sunday itself saw church services here with Archdeacon Powell. Around the same time, in American waters and aboard Frank Neumann's boat, Susan House and Ian Middleditch were married. A

reception was held in the Community Hall shortly afterwards, where everyone gathered to wish Susan and Ian well and to partake of the feast their friends at the Farm in Boot Cove had prepared.

On Monday, St. Mary's Choir, from Victoria gave a recital here. Their perseverance in visiting and entertaining us annually is very much appreciated. Kathy Sheffield and Harvey and Priscilla Janszen accompanied them on recorder.

The dance on Saturday night held to support the parents transportation fund for children attending school on Mayne Island was fun. Another event (a Games Night) has been scheduled for Saturday night, May 6.

Walter Ratzlaff was taken off island suddenly to hospital in Victoria. He is sincerely wished a speedy recovery, and return to Saturna.

The swallows come in force

The swallows come in force- The misters and the mrses They thump around our eaves Exchanging muddy kisses.  
 -JOAN RAESIDE

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# TO BE FRANK...

by richards

One day I went on the ferry. And the charming lady who collects my fare at Crofton offered me a scroll. I was making history, the paper informed me. On March 18 the British Columbia Ferries was carrying its 100 millionth passenger. I was excited at the possibility that I might be the 100 millionth. Could I have a rebate on this grounds, I asked. Sam Bawlf said I was the 100,000,000th passenger and wished me a pleasant voyage, all 20 minutes of it.

I was from Ganges, I told Allan Blakeney, Premier of Saskatchewan. I thought everyone on Salt Spring Island was retired, he replied. It is a beautiful place to retire to, he added. The Gulf Islands have quite a reputation.

Don Harvie, Calgary businessman enquired where I came from. Salt Spring, I told him. Oh, you have Driftwood, he accused me. So far away!

He would not interfere in local school affairs, said Education Minister Pat McGeer, in Ganges. He would take no action, he assured an audience anxious to hear him say the opposite. And he has lived up to his word. He has taken no action. The documents still await his signature and the plans may well have rotted away before he takes any action. And he's so right! He hasn't pulled the plug on anybody. Like he said, he's taking no action. And he probably never will. A shrewd politician gets more done by doing nothing than his less astute colleague might accomplish by doing everything. And, after all,

that's what he said!  
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 How often do you call someone and get a wrong number? And then the party explains that it is an unlisted number and no way is he prepared to tell you who he is! Then you just don't know whether it's the number you are dialing or what. The worst was a call to Europe. I still don't know whether the mysterious voice was right or me.

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 I see the British House of Commons has turned down a proposal to have television there. They must have been looking at the Ottawa programs!

\*\*\*  
 I was in idle conversation with an Albertan. His parents are farmers and they were shipping pigs, or carcasses, to Vancouver Island, he told me. They would drive the truck to Vancouver, take the ferry, drop off the cargo and return to Alberta. The ferry fare cost them \$60. Then the fares went up. The \$60 swelled to \$150. The deal was off. They could no longer sell on Vancouver Island, he said. Who is supposed to subsidize Vancouver Island, he enquired, the islanders, or Alberta?

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 Letter from Mrs. Doris Stringer in Fenwick, Ont. She writes commending the cook. She likes Marianne Goodrich's recipe column. Down to earth yet not ho-hum, she says. She likes the stories of Pacific coast life....it's so different from our life!

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 She was eager to get a newspaper. She had been in Alberta for

# Placement in long-term care program based on need

Effective January 1, this year, residents of B.C., regardless of

more than a day without a paper. She had to know what was going on. She eventually found a newspaper. Next time I saw her she was anxiously examining the lottery results against her own tickets. And I thought she was a keen observer eager to be up with the news!

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 And aren't a bunch of lawyers the nit-pickingest crew you ever debated affairs with?

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 And there was the Calgary fisherwoman who tows a small boat all over western Canada from lake to lake to sea. She fishes in Stuart Channel, she told me....and catches fish. She doesn't like dogfish, either. Someone told her they were dangerous in the boat, so she doesn't bring them in, at all. Don't know who she was, but she boasts of the area of Calgary as the largest of any city in Canada and explains her hostility to new developments there. And you're wrong! She wasn't wearing a yashmak!

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 Mrs. Sampson has a fair garden. She's had it for a long time. But even the Salt Spring Island young lady was impressed when she grew a daffodil on a 33-inch stem. Anyone done better than that?

\*\*\*  
 You write two O's with apparent ease: It really looks no keener! Try two E's and arouse no Oh's When you write "convener".

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 Mickey Kirkham was well-known

age, may participate in the province's new long-term care program.

This program covers in-home care, intermediate and personal care and extended care facilities, and placement in the program is based on an assesment of need.

Applications for placement within the program may be initiated by doctors, public health nurses and social workers, by the applicants themselves or by friends and relatives who have knowledge of the need. Generally speaking, a person is entitled to long-term care, if they are a Canadian citizen or landed immigrant and have resided in British Columbia for 12 months. Assessment will be based on need only: there will be no financial screening. The daily rate for extended care and intermediate care facilities will be \$6.50.

Applicants in the Gulf Islands on Salt Spring Island several years ago. Her heart is still with the island. If it weren't for the nuisance of packing, she'd be back, she writes. I envy all of you the lifestyle of the Gulf Islands, she concluded.

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 I'm not about to drink Delas Chateaufeuf du Pape. And if you didn't know, that's a premium French wine. Last week it was \$7.55 a bottle. This week, it's \$12.50 a bottle. And I'm not buying Jaffelin Aligote, which has shot up from \$3.70 to \$6.60. They are among the 261 products which have gone up in B.C. Liquor Stores. On the other hand, I might be looking at King Arthur gin or Seven Seas rum or Bass ale. They all went down. There were 43 drops and 18 drop-outs.

should apply to Miss Gail Squires, Long-Term Care Program, 1476 Cook Street, Victoria, telephone 385-3351; or to Susan Blagborne, Public Health Nurse, Ganges, telephone 537-5541.

Miss Squires will be on Salt Spring Island one day a week, on Mayne Island once a month and on the other islands as needed. The government has issued a brochure on Long-Term Care Programs and copies may be obtained from the Public Health Office in Ganges.

The Gulf Islands Intermediate and Personal Care 50-bed facility is now under construction of Blaine Road, and should be completed by the end of November, 1978. The Lady Minto Hospital's extended care wing is to be enlarged also, to give 10 extra extended care beds. Both these facilities come under the new Long-Term Care Program, to enable those in need to receive the necessary services and facilities in their own communities, whenever possible.

## Last Coffee House until next fall

The Salt Spring Coffee House will be taking a break for the summer again this year. The last Coffee House until the fall will take place on Friday evening at St. George's Hall in Ganges.

One of the organizers, Jay Handel, said last week that they are hoping for a good turn-out. The Coffee House features both local and off-island musicians.



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### They are not the same !

There's an election coming. We all know it. The Prime Minister and various election pundits even know the date. Some have it for June. All the rest of Canada knows for sure is that there's an election coming up.

But there's something else that is coming up and that's the final decision, not on the colour of the next prime minister, but on the colour of Canada on the map of the future.

The forecasters from one coast to the other have been suggesting that any election be fought out as a battle between unity and prosperity. The pundits and the political observers are offering us a choice of prosperity or unity.

This is utter nonsense. It boils down to an election battle for a broke and miserable united Canada or a prosperous split personality on the Canadian map. Even if the forecasters were right, the choice is simply not acceptable.

The two questions of unity and prosperity must be two separate considerations. They cannot be argued out on relative terms on the hustings. No candidate could offer such a choice, for he must explain his own preference.

The question of unity may not appear important in the eyes of an individual Canadian, but is it feasible that a Canadian could seek election to Ottawa with the frank admission that he neither knows nor cares whether Ottawa remains the seat of a Canadian government?

There are two very vital questions facing electors in Canada today. They are the economy and unity. But they are not directly related and a Canadian voter could not possibly accept a choice. The country is facing the most economically trying time of its history since the beginning of the Second World War. For the past nearly 40 years we have known a period of rising economy. For 40 years this country has known nothing but a varying degree of prosperity. There is a generation of Canadians already approaching middle age who have never known want or shortage of money, food, shelter and supplies.

The present economic collapse, which is evident in every industrial country of the world, hits us the harder for its strangeness. Every party and every future government must strive to combat the plague of slump which is on us. It is open to debate whether a recession can be legislated out of existence, but we are open to a new try, a new attack on the sagging economy.

Whether we support one approach or another to the fight for improvement in our employment picture, we must not confuse that problem with the standing challenge of unity.

A refusal to face up to the Canadian fact: a denial of the need for a fervent and devoted drive for a unified Canada could lead to a recession such as we have not seen even during the Hard Times.

Let us approach this election with our eyes wide open. A collapse of the nation as we have known it: a split across the face of the nation that many of us fought for cannot fail to bring in its wake a period of dissidence, violence and depression against which our present recession will appear a holiday.

Let us all look to the coming election as a challenge to re-assert our confidence or to seek another national program. But don't let us view it as the occasion to abandon the fight for survival that this country is entering right at this time!

## Letters to the Editor

### FROM LISKEARD

Sir:  
We are trying to communicate with all former students of our community.

This year, the town of New Liskeard, Ontario is planning its 75th birthday with a school homecoming event.

All former students and staff who attended any school in New Liskeard, at any time, are invited to participate. It is anticipated that the New Liskeard Secondary School will open for hosting visitations on Saturday, July 1.

To assist the planning committee in finalizing arrangements and to have their names put on our attendance list, readers may contact the New Liskeard School

Homecoming, P.O. Box 730, New Liskeard, Ontario, P0J 1P0.

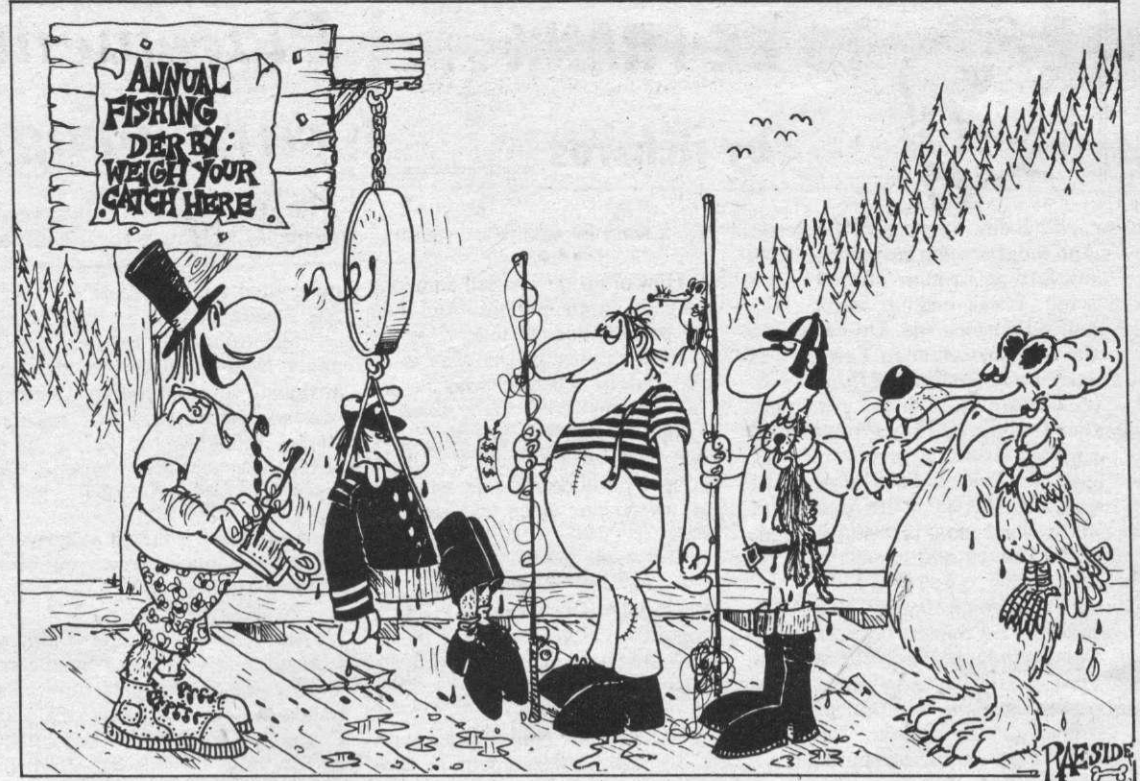
### JACK WILLARS

Chairman  
P.O. Box 730  
New Liskeard, Ont.  
March 14, 1978

### SELL-OUT?

Sir:  
I would like an opportunity to correct one misstatement and to provide some information omitted in a recent letter sent to newspapers by Finance Minister Evan Wolfe.

Mr. Wolfe accused the NDP government of paying for budgetary overruns by special warrants "when cash was dwindling and in



"NOT BAD, 97 POUNDS..."

the face of a deficit." Presumably he was referring to the year ended March 31, 1976 during which the NDP government was in office for almost nine months. In the last three months of that fiscal year, the newly-elected Social Credit government issued some \$325 million in special warrants. That year ended with a deficit of \$261 million, so it would appear that \$64 million of the special warrants issued by the Socreds were paid for out of cash on hand when the government changed hands, and the remaining \$261 million was spent by the Socreds from money they didn't have.

In the next fiscal period, ended March 31, 1977, the government finished the year with a surplus of \$2 million. Mr. Wolfe does not mention that in that year three ferries, bought and paid for as a result of NDP policy out of current funds, were sold to eastern trust companies. Also, special funds built up by previous governments to the extent of \$32 million were cashed in that year. This sell-out of public assets accounted for a net surplus of \$2 million. In that same year, special warrants to cover overruns came to some \$90 million.

As NDP spokesman on finance I have not, and do not, predict a deficit for the year ending March 31, 1978. As readers of the Clarkson-Gordon Report on provincial government finances will recall, there are many legitimate devices available to government to postpone payment of expenditures or advanced receipts of revenue so that the question of deficits or surpluses can be controlled at the whim of the politician.

What cannot be controlled is the provincial government's share of revenue from personal income tax. This item will be substantially lower than was forecast by the Social Credit government in this year's budget, simply because unemployment has been much higher in B.C. than was forecast, and unemployed people pay virtually no personal income tax. Offsetting that will be the higher than expected sales of natural gas drilling leases in the Peace River area. The petroleum companies have been rewarded for their support of Social Credit governments, past and present, to the extent that they cannot afford not to buy these leases. This does bring cash in today, but a more reasonable price would have spread these payments over a longer period of time and would have resulted in more money for the people of British Columbia from the sale of this natural resource.

Mr. Wolfe boasts about spending \$167 million by way of special warrants to provide special services and to create jobs. At the same

time, department after department has been withdrawing services and cutting back on programs at the instructions of the Minister of Finance because of the shortage of cash. Programs approved by the legislature are not going ahead because cash is short, but programs approved by the Cabinet in closed meetings, where political implications are the main consideration, are going ahead.

On top of this, on Friday, March 10, 1978, the provincial government transferred \$151.5 million in government assets to the new British Columbia Resources Investment Corporation. These assets were bought and paid for by the people of British Columbia out of current revenue while the NDP was in office.

Last year the ferries were sold and special funds were closed out. This year government assets are being transferred to a resources corporation. Next year we have already been warned by the Minister of Highways and Public Works that some \$250 million worth of Crown owned land will be offered for sale.

What, Mr. Wolfe, will you do when you have sold off all of our assets?

DAVID D. STUPICH, M.L.A.  
Nanaimo, B.C.  
March 15, 1978

### VANDALS

Sir,  
As one of several octogenarians resident in Pioneer Village, no longer allowed to drive a car, but urged by our doctors to walk daily, I would like to protest against the

vandals who this Easter week end took away the one remaining seat halfway up the hill on Lower Ganges Rd. It is now impossible for some of us to walk further than the precincts of the village.

Could not this be replaced, perhaps by some of our concerned citizens or the Recreation Commission? This short walk being the only recreation left to at least half a dozen of us here. I personally do not think any of our youthful islanders are responsible for this, as we find them always polite, thoughtful and kind toward us.

O. SMITH  
Pioneer Village  
Ganges,

March 29, 1978

### IS IT THE SAME THING?

Dear Frank:  
So I go to a bake sale and pay \$1 for a loaf of healthy brown bread, freshly baked at home. I don't really need the bread, but I buy it "because it's for a good cause". I know it only costs 13c to make, because I've worked it out very carefully at home when Ann's baking bread.

So that's 77/13 = 592% profit on that loaf. Next time I'll give a dollar and leave the bread. They're out to make money - and I'm out to give money. It's not really the same is it? Or is it?

Trying to be sincere,  
PETER McCALMAN  
Box 214, Ganges

### OUT TO DESTROY!

Sir,  
I have noticed the wreath that  
[Turn to Page Five]

## Church Services

SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 1978

<b>ANGLICAN</b>			
St. George's	Ganges	Family Eucharist	9.30 am
St. Mark's	Central	Holy Eucharist	11.15 am
<b>Daily: Mon.-Fri.</b>			
St. George's	Ganges	Morning Prayer	7.15 am
<b>Weekly: Wednesdays</b>			
St. George's	Ganges	Holy Communion	5.00 pm
<b>ROMAN CATHOLIC</b>			
St. Paul's	Fulford	Holy Mass	9.00 am
Our Lady of Grace	Ganges	Holy Mass	11.15 am
<b>UNITED</b>			
Dr. V. McEachern	Ganges	Worship Service	10.30 am
537-5817	Box 330	Fellowship Hour	11.30 am
537-5812(church)	An Hour of	Sharing and Caring	6.30 pm
<b>COMMUNITY GOSPEL</b>			
Mr. L. Sheppard	Ganges	Sun. Sch.-all ages	10.30 am
537-2622(church)	Box 61	Evening Service	7.30 pm
<b>MAYNE ISLAND</b>			
St. Mary Magdalene	Sundays	Rev. John Dyer	11.30 am
Community Church Pastor J. Rodine 539-5710			
Sunday, 3 pm in the school			
Bible Study, Friday in the homes 7.30 pm			
<b>GALIANO ISLAND</b>			
St. Margaret's	Galiano	Sundays	9.00 am

# Letters to the Editor

[From Page Four]

has been hung on the handicrafts business across from the Valcourt property.

I personally feel; as do many others who have not taken the time to write, that the people who have created this mess shall indeed be the ones to make us all suffer in the long run.

It is businesses such as this that create the tourist industry on our island.

Visualize if you will, tourists being able to stop and shop at various places all along the island roads, buying handicrafts and farm produce. It is this sort of thing that appeals to everyone and it doesn't take long for the word to get around that either the island is a pleasant beautiful place to come or there is a clique little group out to destroy the beauty and free enterprise.

It is only common sense that leads to my understanding that this lady has been terribly wronged. She originally bought her property, believing she could have her business, putting a lot of time, money and sacrifices into developing it. We appear to have government officials who are not there to help us, otherwise, how could they let something like this happen and stand behind it?

If we the people on the island continue to allow such things to happen what kind of a future do you think we have.

How do you know but what you will be the next one to suffer.

I would like to hear from all those who agree with me.

**JUDY RIPLEY**  
R.R. 1  
Ganges, BC  
March 31, 1978

## FERNWOOD SCHOOL

Sir,  
To begin, I would like to take exception with the editors comments that the controversy about Fernwood School began over lack of shower facilities in the proposed school.

A meeting to discuss the school was arranged after a letter was distributed to Fernwood parents expressing concern over the size of the activity room (gym) and the lack of change rooms. Changing for all gym classes would have to take place in the washroom area while it was simultaneously used by the rest of the school. Parents were not requesting showers but a small room attached to the gym for changing purposes and a referendum to increase the size of the room.

However, when the meeting took place to discuss these con-

cerns it became evident that most parents were very uninformed about Fernwood School. Major concerns of many parents are that their children will be in split grade situations in Fernwood (2 grades in one class) and for older children they feel that academic, social and emotional aspects of a change in schools could have very negative results.

When the survey was taken in January, 78% of the families polled wished to see the building of Fernwood School stopped (that's what the ballot said). I have had no phone calls from these people since asking to have their signed ballots changed. At the time the survey was taken the school board did not have a list of families in the Fernwood area, so it was necessary to rely on bus lists and word of mouth to locate families. We were able to locate 68 families with children now in school who were in the Fernwood area. We have never stated that no one in the Fernwood area wished to see this school built but we have every indication from our survey that indeed by far the majority of families do not want this school built. I would much rather have my children in portable single class situations in Ganges than in split classes at Fernwood. I believe this community and the children of this community would be far better served by building a primary school in the Ganges area for all the primary students of the Island than decentralizing and building another full elementary school at Fernwood and I am prepared to wait to have this happen.

**GAIL ROBERTSON**  
R.R. 1 Fairway Drive  
Ganges  
April 3, 1978

## SEWERS

Sir,  
For shame Mr. Curtis, you have again identified yourself, as an elected representative of all the people in a given constituency!

Are these just words or are they merely superficial? If they are in fact words that you really mean, then how come, with your previous assurances that sewer critics would be considered!

Where is that assurance now? You have received the copy of the summary of the petition, done by Mr. Denis Young, what do you propose to do about it? If in fact you have taken the time to study and compile the votes on that summary, you would have by now realized that it is totally inadequate and does not meet with 66 2/3% as required by the Municipal Act Sec.

## Mayne Trust committee meeting

Mayne Island Trust Committee will meet in the Agricultural Hall at Mayne on April 12. The meeting will be open to the public.

592.  
Wasn't this Pollution Control Order initiated through the Municipal Affairs ministry?

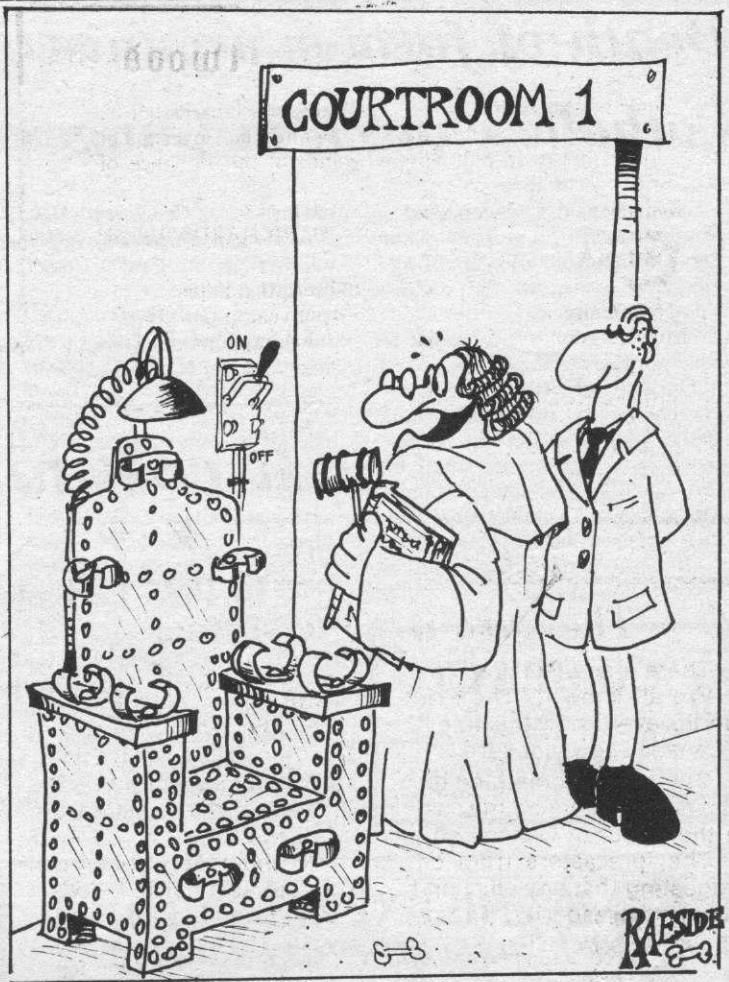
In the minutes of Regional Public Works Committee of January 10, we read as follows, "Following discussions with the ministry of municipal affairs, and the Director of Pollution Control it has become apparent...that the director had the power to issue such an order once an application had been received from the regional district".

You claim to be representing all the people, and yet the minority rules in this situation of the sewer system. We have always advocated that some form of sewers or cleaning up method is needed in the downtown area, but why must such a large area be made to pay for it! Why do we have to subsidize the downtown area of Ganges?

As far as response to this appeal, since the petition started, the only time I have heard from Mr. Curtis, was after the P.C.B. order was issued, and then only to be told that the order was issued, more or less, there was nothing more to be said or done about it.

Mr. Curtis stated that "Mrs. Valcourt holds very strong views and expresses them in a forthright manner". I do not know of any other way to express myself than in a forthright manner.

(MRS.) YVETTE VALCOURT  
Ganges  
April 3, 1978



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## Death of former organist of Catholic church in Ganges

John Ronald Congdon died on Sunday, April 2, in Lady Minto Hospital. He was 69 years of age. He was living in the Pioneer Village at Ganges.

Mr. Congdon was organist for several years at the Catholic church of Our Lady of Grace in Ganges.

He leaves his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Garfield Congdon, in Chatham, Ont. and his foster son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kent Utendale and their children, in Victoria.

Funeral service was held on Wednesday, April 5, in the church

of Our Lady of Grace, with Rev. Fr. P.A. Bergin officiating. Interment followed in St. Paul's Cemetery, Fulford.

Arrangements were by Goodman Funeral Home, Ganges.

## Theft of boat and motor

A 13½ foot Zodiac boat and a 20 hp Mercury outboard motor were stolen from D. Harvey, Ontario Place, Salt Spring Island, last week. Mr. Harvey reported the theft last Wednesday.

The boat and motor, valued at \$3,600, were located at Delta the following day. RCMP at Ganges are investigating.

## It cost him a buck!



In 1925 he had to watch his speed

When John Galt applied for his driver's license in Prince George, he paid his \$1 fee and drove away from the government office.

The day was July 7, 1925 and his license was number 76000. Today, his daughter Betty, of

Ganges, keeps that old license as a souvenir and a link with her family's past.

The license permitted him to drive any vehicle other than as a chauffeur. It was issued by Deputy Government Agent R.M. McGusty.

Driving over 20 mph in a city or over 30 mph anywhere she placed the onus on the holder to prove himself innocent of the charge of driving to the common danger.

Mr. Galt was exhorted to drive well over the right on corners and to keep an especial lookout for children. He was also urged to keep his brakes in order, to signal properly, to keep his windshield clean and to keep his lights in order and properly focused.

## Boat cut loose

A boat belonging to David Conover of Wallace Island was cut loose from the wharf at Fernwood last week.

Mr. Conover was able to retrieve the boat, which was undamaged.

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## Some people would call it

# Baloney ... by Tony

I was doing my paper route last Wednesday, replenishing the newsstands around town with fresh Driftwoods, when I ran into Luke Harrison in the Crest. He was, as I thought, anxious as ever to see the latest edition but neither of us had a knife with which to cut the string around the bundle.

I said, rather carelessly, that if he had a match he could burn the string off.

His reply could be considered insulting, to say the least.

"I'll just burn the Driftwoods and keep the string."

Herc Roland gave me a financial boost last week when we were pursuing his favourite pastime: flipping quarters. Both us being gamblers by nature, we were finding the occupation quite pleasurable: myself, more so, because I happened to be winning.

It all began when Herc said, with a glint in his eye, "Flip for ten bucks?"

With prudence my wife wouldn't recognize, I refused and said, "Make it a deuce."

I won the deuce and Herc, with the glint still there, said, "Double or nothing."

And so it went: I got up to \$4, \$8 and then \$16. Eventually I had won \$34 and then I called it a day. (Again with such prudence that my wife would find beyond belief).

I went home with visions of buying a second-hand TV set but when I got there my dreams went up in smoke: smoke of the same hue of red that one too often sees on one's bank statement at the end of the month.

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## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District will be held at 8 pm on Tuesday the 11th day of April, 1978 at St. George's Church Hall, Ganges, B.C.

As required by the letters patent of the district the annual general meeting will be held for the following purposes:

- To receive from the trustees a report on condition of the works and a statement of the financial condition of the improvement district.
- To discuss with the trustees any matter relating to the works or finances of the improvement district.
- To fix the remuneration of the trustees for the ensuing year.
- To elect one trustee for a term of three years.
- To elect the auditor for the ensuing year.

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M. Larmour, Secretary

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

## Mainly Mayne

BY ELSIE BROWN

The Easter holiday season has attracted a record number of summer home owners and visitors. Many who were unable to get reservations have arrived since the week end. The ferry crew at Village Bay were kept busy guiding passengers to and from ferries and they deserve a bouquet from the travellers for their expert assistance.

Easter church services were well attended. The Sunrise Service atop Mount Parke went on as planned in spite of threatened rain. Musical selections were given by the Magnuson family. Rev. John Rodine conducted a short worship service which included the traditional Easter hymns. Following the service the early risers were served a pancake breakfast at the home of Phil and Marybelle Jarman.

St. Mary Magdalene church was beautifully decorated with spring flowers, the work of the Altar Guild assisted by the usual faithful members. Easter Service was conducted by Rev. John Dyer, followed by communion.

## Galiano Rod and Gun Club has busy schedule

Galiano Rod and Gun Club are busy these days, with the annual trophy shoots beginning on Sunday. They will begin at 11 am and in fairness to members, no late-comers may enter.

On Sunday, April 23 the 22. and 2400 cup shoot will begin at 1 pm sharp. On April 29, a fun shoot with prizes will be held.

The canteen will be open on all these occasions, and on the 29th, a barbecue dinner will begin at 6 pm, followed by an inter-island Hoedown.

The big inter-island trophy shoot and calcutta will take place, beginning at 10 in the morning, on Sunday, April 30.

The club hopes that members and friends will come out and support island shooters.

Community Church services will continue at the Activity Centre at 3 pm until after daylight saving, at which time they will begin at 7.00 pm. Rev. John Rodine is in charge of services and is assisted by Bill Sawyer and Stan Chatwin.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. John (Lil) Rodine is a patient in Shaughnessy Hospital, Vancouver. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Our sympathy to Jean Beaumont whose brother William Brandrith passed away suddenly last week. A memorial service was held at St. David's Anglican Church, Tsawwassen. Visiting the Beaumonts during the past week have been their granddaughter, Debbie Ebert, of Prince George, daughter Joan Harris and son, Matthew, of Dawson Creek.

Spending the Easter holidays on the island were John and Caroline Reitz with Callie and Shaun of White Rock. Maurice and Etta received some valuable assistance building the third phase of their home on Waugh Road.

Get-well wishes to Betty Klatt who is home after a two-week stay in Lady Minto Hospital. She has high praise for the staff there and was most appreciative of the care received from the ambulance service on both Mayne and Salt Spring Islands. A special mention to Paddy Lambert, Bob Clarke and Linda and Keith McKewan.

Get-well wishes to Mrs. Edrie Walker, of Mayne Island Esso Service, who is also a patient in Lady Minto Hospital.

Visiting Ernie and Eva Amburgey have been Mr. and Mrs. Ed Norris of California, formerly of Hawaii.

The Art Show held on Mayne over the Easter week end was very successful and well-attended. (More elsewhere in Driftwood.)

Thrift Shop staff report that there are many useful articles available and will continue to operate on Saturdays, 1.30-4.40 pm. Maude Smith and Ethel Markham are in charge.

The museum continues to attract many visitors and will also be open on Saturdays. It is a project of the Agricultural Society and is manned by students.

In the absence of Betty Klatt, the Island Gallery at Bennett Bay has been manned by Kay Carpenter and Betty's daughter, Margaret Hammer. Besides paintings by Mayne artists, there are many other arts and crafts items of interest.

An important meeting to be held Saturday, at the Health Centre is the M.I.R.A. Annual Meeting and election of officers. Needs and future function of the organization will be discussed. It will begin at 2 pm.

## Over 100 paintings displayed

# Eighth annual Art Show at Mayne

BY ELSIE BROWN

The eighth annual Art Show, sponsored by the Paint and Sketch group, was very successful and attracted a large number of visitors over the Easter week-end, March 25 and 26.

Many new artists exhibited their work and were a credit to the excellent instruction received from

teachers Frances Faminow and Bill Wheaton.

More than 100 paintings were featured depicting a variety of subjects. They included landscapes, seascapes, island scenery, flowers, ships, farms, animals, cats and a family of otter frisking playfully in a row boat.

Water colours were predominant this year with oils and acrylics still remaining popular. Miniatures in attractive frames were also featured.

It would be impossible to do justice to a show of this quality and it was suggested by an onlooker that a show should be arranged at a Vancouver location for the benefit

of those unable to attend the one on Mayne.

Responsible for the arrangements were: convener, Kathleen Dought; tea, Betty Fry assisted by Ilsa Fassler, Nancy Rainsford and Barbara MacFarlane; cataloguing, Sophie Betts; Sales, Sophie Betts and Joyce Mitchell; tea tickets, Isabel Geehan; draw tickets, Gwen Thomson and Nita Flick. At the door were Vic Griffiths and Jesse Brown.

Thanks are due to this talented group for a splendid achievement in presenting another highly successful show, the culmination of many hours of work on the part of the committees.

## Faith healer visitor

Miriam Dobell is a faith healer who has been commissioned by the Bishop of Toronto to travel in her healing mission.

Mary Williamson, of Ganges, has reported on Miss Dobell's travels and her itinerary on the coast.

Miss Dobell will be on Vancouver Island, travelling from Nanaimo to Victoria from April 14 to April 23. She will be taking part in the morning service at St. Paul's, in Nanaimo on April 16.

For the following week she will travel south through Duncan and to Victoria on April 18.

The Ontario healer will conduct services at different churches in the Victoria area until April 23, when she preaches at St. Martin's in the Field at 10.30 am and at Esquimalt United Church at 11 am. At 7.30 pm she will take part in the Eucharist Service at St. Matthias, Richmond Ave.

Mrs. Williamson has her complete itinerary if readers want more information.

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# Spring training starts for softball fans at Salt Spring

BY WAYNE TAYLOR

Plans are underway for the upcoming softball season. People are already playing casually whenever the sun shines and eagerly awaiting the longer evenings.

So far, seven teams have indicated an interest in playing. Teams represented at the recent meeting included Ganges All-Stars, Fulford Salties, Salt Spring Cablevision, Kitchen Falling Contractors and Dagwood's. Two other teams have expressed interest and are presently arranging sponsorship.

The season will start with a tournament, tentatively planned for the weekend of April 28, 29. The league will start the first week in May and conclude July 23.

Playoffs will begin July 25 with the championship on July 30.

With the season ending by the end of July this will allow players to plan their holidays so as not to conflict with playing. A Labour Day Tournament is still planned.

Hopefully there will be eight teams participating in two sections of four teams for the opening

tournament. The seven league members will participate with an invitation being extended to the Pender team. Entrance fee of \$20 is due at the next meeting in order that the balls be purchased.

Concern was expressed over the availability of fields and the condition of the fields. The field at Portlock Park will not be ready this year and improvements to the fields in Ganges and Fulford may make scheduling difficult. A committee was appointed to meet with the Recreation Commission.

Various other committees and individuals are being asked to look after such responsibilities as tournaments, scheduling, umpires, fields and treasurer. Hopefully these responsibilities can be spread around so a few people do not do everything. Last year the co-operation and sharing of responsibilities was excellent and already there is a good response.

Last year we had 25 people volunteer to umpire resulting in a tremendous improvement in the calibre. The league is attempting to get someone to put on an umpire's clinic.

### WRECK DIVISION

The seven teams who have presently indicated interest are going to play in the Wreck Division of the Salt Spring Island Man's Softball League. These teams will play approximately 1½ games per week for 12 weeks. Although this is a recreational league the calibre of play is quite good.

As the league becomes more competitive some players may not be good enough to play in the league, or find the schedule too heavy, or find the competitive

# Snow in March is only legacy from February at Mayne

The beginning of March saw Mayne Island under snow, and this remained in patches until the 6th, particularly on northern slopes and higher elevations.

Report is from Walter Hunt-Sowrey, Dominion weather observer on Mayne.

There was night frost on the first five days, on the 13th and on the 30th.

The rainfall, although fairly extended, was light, only one fall of over half-an-inch being recorded. There was much more cloud than actual rain, although humidity was generally high.

Growth during the month was at least average, with the deciduous trees showing plenty of bud, and a fair amount of blossom on early cherries and peaches near the end of the month.

The land is still somewhat damp, but workable in the garden, and early planting is in order. The frost danger is slight, but I have been told that there have been frosts in May, although I do not remember any after mid-April. Of course, local frosts over limited areas can occur quite late in the season, particularly in low areas.

The maximum temperature shown for this month may seem rather high, but I live in a rather narrow valley, and my temperatures differ quite a little from other parts of the island.

	1978	1977	1976
Rainfall	2.32 ins.	3.70 ins.	1.60 ins.
Precip. to date	9.14 ins.	8.71 ins.	12.03 ins.
Days with precip.	13	17	17
Total to date	51	43	55
Max. Press.	30.03 ins.	30.11 ins.	30.10 ins.
Min. Press.	29.40 ins.	29.48 ins.	29.22 ins.
Max. Temp.	20, C.	10, C.	12, C.
Min. Temp.	-3, C.	0, C.	-4, C.
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emphasis too strong. A separate division could be formed to be called the Beer League. This league would be modeled after the league in Courtenay, where they have 40 teams playing at four different levels from Senior, highly competitive, to a very low key casual situation.

The proposed beer league would have about four teams and would play only once per week with no practices. Players playing in the Wreck League would not be allowed to play in the Beer League once they had played three games in the upper division. Pitchers would be limited to four innings, so that an individual pitcher would not dominate the league. Season would last for 12 weeks from the beginning of May to the end of July.

Teams would be formed by service groups, social clubs, work groups or just circles of friends. Groups who might consider themselves for this league would be like the Rotary, Lions, firemen, teachers, grandfathers, over-30's, B.C. Ferries, Highways Department, hospital, banks or stores. Any group or individual should come to the next meeting.

Teams have decided to share the chair. Jack Speed, of Cablevision will be in the chair for the next meeting on April 17 at 7.30 at Dagwood's.

# Word-Faith Seminar on Friday

Rev. A.E. Sheppard, pastor of Vancouver's Evangelistic Tabernacle, will speak on Friday at the Harbour House Hotel in a Word-Faith Seminar sponsored by the Community Gospel Chapel in Ganges.

Pastor Sheppard, who founded the Chapel in 1961, will be accompanied by his wife Greta and his son Lowell, who is interim pastoring on the island at present.

Reservations for the dinner and seminar should be made by contacting Bob Bidwell

"The greatest need to-day is for people to have a positive faith confirmed by a positive confession of the mouth," said Rev. Sheppard when commenting on the forthcoming event.

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## Dancing: exercise for Salt Spring Islanders

Phyllis Coleman's Yoga, Michael Blade's Tai'Chi, Annie Roise's Belly Dancing and Amy Storey's Ballet classes will recommence in an extended series known as "Extra Innings" courses, according to Virginia Newman, Continuing Education Co-ordinator for Gulf Islands School District.

Michael Blade is offering the ancient Chinese dancing, "The Solo Exercises of Tai'Chi of the Short Form" in two locations: Monday evenings, starting April 10 at 6.30 pm at Mahon Hall, and Tuesday evenings, starting April 11, at 6.30 pm at the Beaver Point Hall. This program will run for 10 weeks and people may register in advance or sign up the first night of the class.

Phyllis Coleman is offering three Yoga classes, starting the week of April 17: Monday evenings at 7.30 pm in Room 4 at the Secondary School for advanced and intermediates; Wednesday mornings in the United Church at 9 am for intermediates, and a 10.30 class at the same place for beginners or advanced beginners.

This last class is designed for those who want a more moderate pace. All three classes will be eight

weeks long.

Annie Roise's Belly Dancing class will resume Thursday night, May 4 for just five sessions, at 7.30 pm in Mahon Hall.

Amy Storey has split her Children's Ballet class into two groups: the four to six year olds will begin the new dance series next Tuesday afternoon, April 11 at 3.30 in Mahon Hall. Wednesday, April 12, will find the 6-12 year-old age group in the same place, same time.

This series of classes will again be eight sessions, while the adult class will meet Saturday morning, April 15, at 10 o'clock in Mahon Hall.

Adults and advanced older children dance for an hour and a half, as opposed to the young children's hour class.

For more information, readers may call Virginia Newman or register the first session of the new class series.

## More Food for Thought

BY MARY C. WILLIAMSON  
From the Committee for World Development Education and Relief

People say to me: "I can't be bothered with all that. I have my own problems." Or: "That's not my affair." As long as I'm alright I've nothing to worry about." And they obviously think we who are concerned with the ingredients of the food we buy or the name of the manufacturer, are a little odd.

Well, Christians should be used to that. In the early days they had to draw the sign of a fish or a cross in the dust of the road and then quickly erase it so that only the person to whom they spoke would recognize the sign of the new fellowship.

The other Jews thought they were renegades, and the Romans knew they were crazy. Even among themselves there were differences of opinion. I'm sure those who volunteered to be thrown to the lions were deemed a little odd by those who hung back in order to

protect their families!

So now we are volunteering to be thrown to the lions when we criticize the banks and the multinationals, and those who have no concern for their fellow human beings in the Third World think we are a little odd.

VISION AND HOPE

But we must not be discouraged. Remember what Conzalo Arroyo said when he came to Ottawa during TEN DAYS: "The poor have vision and hope. They are not discouraged."

When people say to you and me: "But it's not my affair. It has nothing to do with me," remember there have always been people like

that. The priest and the Levite passed by on the other side, and it took the despised Samaritan to stop and care for the man who had been set upon by thieves.

The poor of our day and our world have been set upon by thieves and left grievously wounded. We must not expect sympathy or support from the Establishment. But we dare not, if we value our souls, pass by on the other side.

We must remember that in Germany, when SS troopers came to take their neighbours away, there were those who said: "It's not my problem. I believe in minding my own business."

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## They are not farming at Golf Club

The Salt Spring Island Golf and Country Club has not taken up farming, Driftwood learned last week.

Early Wednesday morning, a number of cattle were seen grazing on the golf course after escaping from an adjacent field. A spokesman for the golf club said that damage was minimal: a number of hoofprints were left on the seventh green.

It was not the first time, said the spokesman. There were two occasions last year when cattle got on to the course.

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## Island couple to reside on Salt Spring after wedding

On February 17, Margaret Townley and Richard Ronald Bennett, of Point Roberts, exchanged marriage vows in Ganges. After the service a reception was held at St. George's hall, with 75 guests in attendance.

The bride wore an ensemble of flattering oyster chiffon with over lace and matching accessories. Susan Talman was her mother's Matron of Honour, wearing russet tones in her ensemble. Brian Bennett, son of the groom, was bestman.

The bridal table was decorated with pink roses and white daisies in floral arrangements and the three-tiered wedding cake made and decorated by Mrs. A. Howell, centred the tables with candelabras on either side.

Pat Harrison proposed the toast to the bride and Tony Rayner delighted the guests as Master of Ceremonies and reading the telegrams received.

For her going-away outfit the bride wore a blue checkered pantsuit with matching accessories. The happy couple left on a motor trip to Southern California. Upon returning they will be residing on Scott Road.

Out-of-town guests were H.E. Williams, the bride's father and Mr. and Mrs. H.W. Penner, of Coquitlam; Mr. and Mrs. James Talman and Mr. and Mrs. Larry



Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bennett

Dawe of Victoria; Mrs. John Williams and daughter, Erien of Terrace; Larry Townley and Juanita Green of Lumby; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Slattery of Vancouver and Larry Anderson of Richmond.

### Three persons charged after disturbance

Three persons are being charged following a disturbance on the Long Harbour ferry last Tuesday night. RCMP at Ganges were asked by B.C. Ferries personnel to attend at Otter Bay.

The three are being charged for being minors in possession of liquor; one of them is also charged with causing a disturbance.

Mrs. Margaret Howell was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Crombie of North Beach Road when 10 ladies of her cake decorating class met to congratulate her. All enjoyed a happy evening and wished Margaret and husband Alf, 'bon voyage' on their trip to Italy. Mrs. Lin (Karen) Sayer of New

## Fernwood

BY JESSIE SAYER

Westminster and Miss Debbie Schatz of Princeton enjoyed a short visit Easter week end at the home of Karen's mother, Mrs. G. Kennet.

Doris, Leona and Patti, young school teachers from Vancouver, chose the Easter break to enjoy a cycling trip around and through the Gulf Islands. They spent the first night at Fernwood. They left the following morning hoping for sunshine as the weather was not conducive to camping out.

House guests of Joe and Faye Bossio over Easter were Joe's sister and husband, Eric Cridland with Tommy and Eric, jr., all the way from Kelowna. They did not enjoy the rainy days.

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### Record concert

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# Good game but Stars go down to Lansdowne

BY MALCOLM LEGG  
Salt Spring Stars, 1;  
Lansdowne Pintos, 2

It is generally accepted that new teams have to take some lumps before becoming fully cohesive units. Although out-played, the Stars almost stole a point, mostly due to the sensational play of David Cates in the Stars' net.

The early going showed signs of a scoring spree as firstly the Pintos roared into attack and scored on a rebound. The early pitfall did not deter the Stars as they fought back within minutes. Brian Kaye raced down the left wing and centred a perfect pass that Jeff Moger slammed into the goal for the equalizer.

Finally, mid-way through the second half, the Pintos broke through and scored on a rebound after David made a spectacular save on the first shot. The Stars tried to rally and were coming on strong near the conclusion of the match but they failed to convert their opportunities.

### DESERVING VICTORS

In actual fact the Pintos were deserving victors as they played better positional soccer and out-hustled the local boys to the ball. The real break-down for the Stars was their positional play, with many times three or four boys trying to kick the ball instead of just one. Many times the Salt Spring boys were caught out of position allowing the Pintos easy access to the Stars goal.

When one considers that this was only the second game for the Stars and several key players were away, the closeness of the score shows the team has a promising future in soccer. With practice in

positioning, tackling and quick thinking - quick reaction tactics the boys will become very competent at the game.

Stand-outs for the Stars were, David Cates who was brilliant in goal once again, Tony Legg who is rapidly showing his strengths at centre-half; Brian Kaye the ever-hustling left-half, and Jeff Moger who was the only real offensive threat for the Stars.

Team was Cates, Irwin, Hitch-

# Notable Salt Spring soccer coach moves to mainland

For two years in succession, Peter Moonen has coached the Salt Spring Cablevision Kicks up to the Cup Final in district soccer. With their win over Lansdowne last week end, the Kicks are on their way again.

It will be Moonen's last season with the island soccer players. He is off to Vancouver to work and he won't be here next season. The soccer supporters on Salt Spring Island have urged parents and others to show their appreciation to Moonen by taking in Saturday's game at the University of Victoria.

cock, James Garner, Box, Aust, Legg, Kaye, Brown, Fewings, Moger, Lacy, Cue, Valcourt and Speed.

supper at her home with friends to wish Con and Claire good health and happiness on this very special day.

This couple have had most interesting careers. Mr. Farrell is one of the surviving Bush Pilots from the far north. He has many interesting stories of the old days when these pilots flew in all kinds of weather and risked their lives more than once.

Mrs. Farrell is a writer and an accomplished painter. She was editor of the Edmonton Journal for some time.

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Elizabeth Steward will be having an exhibition of her paintings at the Beau-Xi Gallery in Vancouver on August 14. The exhibition will run for two weeks.

Elisabeth Hopkins will also be having an exhibition in ... some time in September.

## Galiano

BY MARY ELLEN HARDING

Congratulations to the ladies who worked so hard to get Galiano "over the top" again in our Red Cross drive. Convener was Mrs. Elizabeth Steward and the collections amounted to \$1,074.50.

Helping Mrs. Steward were Mesdames Devina Baines, Jessie Bellhouse, Florence Dodwell, Lottie Fewer, Nan New, Margaret Prior, Alice Maier, Jay Marchant, A. Sidders, Connie Parminter and Lorna Tweedale.

Peter Dunn reminds us that the Galiano campaign for Easter Seals, sponsored by the Galiano Lions, is still going on and he will appreciate any donations to the campaign for crippled children as soon as possible.

The Women's Auxiliary to the Galiano Fire Department will hold its next book sale on Saturday, April 15 from 2 to 4 pm; donations of books will be gratefully received. Come out and support these hard working people who give their time to raise money for the W.A. to the fire department volunteers.

Galiano school children are reminding us that they will be holding a School Faire on May 6 and are now collecting donations for this affair to raise money for their field trips.

The Church of St. Margaret of Scotland looked just lovely for the Easter Eucharist, celebrated by Rev. John Dyer. The church was filled to overflowing, and the little Sunday School children, under the direction of Mrs. Joan Callaghan, sang for the congregation. Decorations were done by the ladies of the church.

A most enjoyable time was had at the Galiano Hall on Sunday evening: the young folks had an "art Sullivan show", with singing and dancing. Members of the Page Drive Choral Society also played for the large audience.

There was a surprise four-generation gathering on Easter week end for Mrs. M. Bow of Galiano when her daughter Shirley Wales, granddaughters Nancy Miller and Susan Wales, and great grandson Jason Miller, all of Sebastopol, California, arrived by car.

### ANNIVERSARY

Neil and Penny Collett, of West Vancouver, entertained a number of guests at the Galiano Golf and Country Club in honour of the 50th

wedding anniversary of Claire and Con Farrell.

The guests from off-island were Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Chown Humphrey Madden of West Vancouver. Mr. Madden is a past-president of the Canadian airline pilots association. He is also a member of the M.R.A. and attends many world-wide meetings.

Five special guests were the grandchildren of the Farrells: Lisa-Anne, Tim, Hugh, Anthony and Max.

The luncheon was catered by Win Rogers of the Galiano Golf and Country Club.

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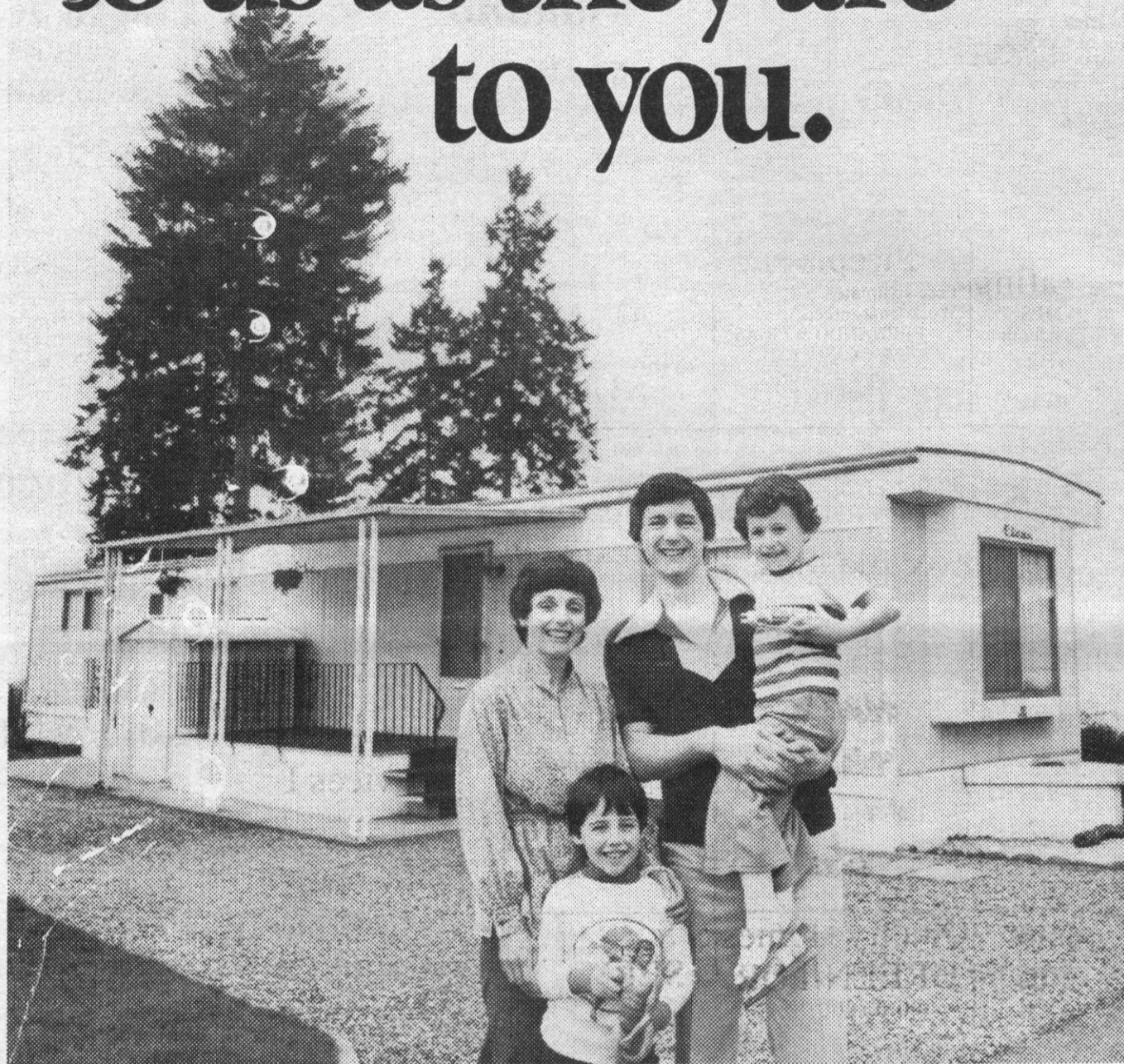
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With five qualified instructors on the Island it is planned to put into practice the recommendations of Gordon Hartley of Victoria, regarding class sizes and grouping by levels of competence. Details of the tennis plan will be published next week.

### DANCE

Hugh MacPherson, of Vancouver and Victoria, will offer a Sunday Dance Workshop which will introduce students to the elements of improvisational dancing. Participants will explore personal, group and environmental sources of inspiration for movement. MacPherson states that this workshop will be of value to anyone involved with dance, theatre, yoga and athletics.

### GOLF

The Golf pro from Salt Spring Island will conduct a mini-course of four sessions, starting the first Thursday in May. Len MacDonald will offer this course at 2 pm in the afternoon, but if enough interest is shown, an evening class may be arranged.

## Cigarettes, candy stolen

Cigarettes and chocolate bars were taken from Montague Harbour Marina when the store was broken into last week. Owner of the store, Chester Williams, reported the theft on Saturday.

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A glance at the 1962 financial statement gives some idea of the extent of recreational activities enjoyed on Salt Spring. Assistance was given to archery, judo, ceramics, children's swim classes, camera club, art and bridge classes, OAPO, Girl Guides, night school reserve fund and Central Hall Committee.

If the tender advertised on page six of this issue is a true indication, the long-awaited boat basin for Ganges is one step closer to completion.

The pre-election calling for tenders came as a complete surprise to the residents of the island and the local chamber of commerce.

The boat basin, calling for about 1,450 feet of boat docking floats, dredging, a rock-breakwater and a park area will be located between Salt Spring Motors and Island Garage. Estimated cost is \$186,000.

To identify our local bakery more closely with the Gulf Islands, W.H. Bradley, president of McGill's Bakery Ltd., has announced that as of April 1, the bakery changed its name to Island Pride Bakery.

Pat Dirksen has been put into complete charge of the bakery.

Everyone went to Beaver Point Hall last Saturday night; over 250 people of all ages and all hungry. The beans were delicious as usual: 68 lbs of beans were eaten that night, and were chased down by salads, buns and pies.

Did you know that by 1860 there were over 70 farms on Salt Spring? These pioneers were raising cattle, pigs, oats, barley and potatoes.

Ed Richardson, Doug Cavaye, Buzz Brown, Sam Hughes and Peter Cartwright were elected as directors of the Salt Spring Island Golf and Country Club for 1963 at the annual meeting last Wednesday.

### TEN YEARS AGO

Proposal to establish a log-booming ground in Burboyne Bay has met with vigorous opposition from a number of residents of the area.

Application has been made to the provincial government by Ladysmith Log Sorting Company for a log sorting

and booming ground in Burboyne Bay.

The company would bring logs from the west coast of Vancouver Island to be separated and sorted in the bay beneath Mount Maxwell. Owners of property on the bay have objected on the grounds that the use of the waters for industrial purposes would pollute the water and that the introduction of such an activity would be detrimental to the peaceful residential area.

Roads foreman on Salt Spring for the past three and a half years, Bill Bates, has been transferred to Parksville. Mr. Bates came to Salt Spring in 1964 and has been active in the community ever since.

Most dangerous factor in sewage is kitchen detergent, says a retired Salt Spring Island scientist. Dr. R.D. Bird, Old Scott Road, is worried over the effect of sewage lagoons on wild birds.

Full treatment of sewage usually required the running of the water into a series of lagoons, or settling tanks. Where the water contains extensive detergents it is dangerous to wildlife, warns Dr. Bird.

The birds alight on the water, or swim out from shore, and the detergent still in the water washes the natural oils from the birds' feathers. As a result the creature becomes thoroughly wet and chilled and unable to fly.

### FIVE YEARS AGO

Two more community plans have been approved by the Capital Regional District. The plans for South Pender and Galiano Islands will join the earlier Salt Spring plan to gather dust in the office of the minister of municipal affairs.

Final Gulf Islands School District building referendum scraped through on Saturday when it was approved by a margin of seven votes. The school vote was supported at the same time as the voters gave approval to the big hospital construction plan for all of the Capital Regional District.

School vote asked for an additional \$281,000 on top of previous money by-laws to make up the margin needed to complete major construction and reconstruction at Ganges. The aged elementary school will be rebuilt to modern standards of safety and efficiency and new facilities will be added to the secondary school.


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# Kitchen Korner

By Marianne Goodrich

Eggs are a readily-available and economical source of protein-and versatile!

**EGG TIPS**

- A good egg should have a firm, well-rounded orange or deep yellow yolk. The white part of the egg should cling firmly to the yolk.
- Eggs kept in a covered container in your refrigerator will retain their freshness and flavor much longer than in an open carton.
- Never wash an egg until you're ready to cook it.
- You'll have perfect hard-cooked eggs every time if you place them in a saucepan with enough cold water to cover. Cook the eggs slowly over low heat until almost but not quite boiling. Cover the saucepan tightly and remove from heat. Let eggs stand for 30 minutes. Plunge into cold water just before shelling. Tap each end of the egg and roll on a hard surface to shell easily.
- A few drops of vinegar added to the water in which you're poaching eggs will keep them firm, and avoid breaking.
- Buttered muffin tins are ideal for poaching eggs if your "breakage" record is high. Simple drop an egg into each section of the tin and set all in a shallow pan of water over low-medium heat.
- Store leftover yolks in a cup or dish in the refrigerator with just enough cold water to cover them. Keep leftover egg white in the refrigerator in a tightly covered car or dish. (Whites freeze well, too.)
- It's wise not to buy more than a week's supply of eggs at one time.
- Egg whites whip best when they're at room temperature. Add pinch of salt to them just before beating to keep them from getting dry quickly.

**FLUFFY PIE**

6 eggs, separated  
1-1/2 cups of cottage cheese  
1/2 tsp salt  
1 tsp minced parsley  
Dash of freshly ground pepper  
2 tbsp butter  
...Beat egg white until they form peaks but not dry. Set aside.  
...Beat yolks until creamy and lemon-colored. Add salt, pepper, cheese, and parsley to yolks, and continue beating until mixture is smooth and thoroughly blended.  
...Gently fold in egg whites.  
...Melt butter in a large ovenproof skillet over low heat until hot-but don't allow butter to brown. Pour egg mixture into skillet and cook over low heat until puffy and lightly browned on the bottom.

...Put skillet in a 350 oven and bake eggs for 20 to 25 minutes until just firm. Cut in wedges to serve. Makes 6 servings.

**PEPPER POTS**

6 medium-large green peppers, tops removed and scooped out  
6 eggs, beaten  
Salt to taste  
Dash of freshly ground pepper  
Paprika to garnish  
...Select peppers with squat bottoms that will stand up when served. Cut tops from pepper and carefully scoop out insides.  
...Parboil peppers for 4 to 5 minutes in boiling water. Drain thoroughly on paper toweling.  
...Beat eggs and season with salt and pepper. Spoon equal amounts of eggs into the six peppers. Place on a shallow baking dish and bake in a 350 oven until eggs are firm, about 10 to 15 minutes.  
...Sprinkle with paprika before serving. Makes 6 servings.

**EGG AND POTATO CASSEROLE**

6 potatoes, steamed in skins  
Salt  
1/2 cup milk  
1 tsp steak sauce  
3 tbsp soft butter  
6 eggs  
pepper  
Paprika  
1/2 cup grated sharp cheddar cheese  
...Peel hot potatoes and mash. Beat in salt, milk and steak sauce. Turn into shallow 1-1/2 quart baking dish.  
...Make 6 depressions in potatoes and drop an egg into each. Sprinkle with pepper and paprika. Top with cheese.  
...Bake in 375 oven, until eggs are set and of desired doneness. Serves 6.

**MADRID OMELETTE**

6 eggs  
2 tbsp cold water  
1 onion, chopped  
2 green peppers, seeded and chopped  
3 potatoes, boiled in jackets, diced  
4 tbsp olive oil  
2 tomatoes, diced or 1 cup canned tomatoes  
3 sweet red peppers (canned)  
Salt and pepper to taste  
...Beat eggs lightly with cold water. Saute onion, peppers and potatoes in hot oil until onion and peppers are tender, and potatoes are lightly browned.  
...Add tomatoes, salt, pepper. Pour eggs over mixture. Cook until done on one side. Turn omelette

## Informal discussion

The Hudson Kimball Memorial will sponsor an informal discussion on the subject of Women and the Arts at the Salt Spring Island Community Centre, on Friday evening, April 21, at 7 pm.

Interested individuals may take part in the discussion and share with others their thoughts and creative accomplishments.

carefully, finish cooking.

...If necessary, remove from skillet, slide omelette onto a plate, and turn, adding more oil to skillet as needed.

...(If you think you just can't turn a big omelette without folding it over and making in un-Spanish, or just generally messing it up, go ahead and finish cooking it under the broiler flame. Serve flat, garnished with strips of red peppers. It will look and taste authentic.) Serves 4-6.

**SAVOURY EGG PIE PIE CRUST**

1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour  
Pinch salt  
6 tbsp shortening  
Approx. 2 tbsp water  
**FILLING:**  
1 chopped onion  
2 tbsp margarine  
Scant 2 cups milk  
1 cup fresh white bread crumbs  
3 large eggs  
Worcestershire sauce  
seasoning  
...Make the pie dough; roll out and line the pie plate; flute the edges.  
...Fry onion in fat, spread on pie shell.  
...Heat milk, add bread crumbs and eggs. Blend with Worcestershire sauce, seasoning. Pour mixture into pie shell, bake at 400 in center of oven for 45 minutes-till pie shell is crisp and the custard set. Garnish with crisp bacon and serve. Makes 6 servings.

## Divorcing Canada

From Page 17.

bring her to heel! If that doesn't work, then start talking reconciliation!

It isn't promising.  
**CALL HER BLUFF!**

Or call her bluff! Tell her he wants a divorce as well. Start to negotiate the property settlement. When all these flounder, then start talking reconciliation.

What then, is the best approach?

Back to the bargaining table. Show a willingness to make some accommodations: to strike a new bargain for Canada, in honest good will.

Confederation was the result of tough, long bargaining when the existing system was no longer adequate. They bargained, they compromised and they accommodated in 1867. And the time has come for new bargaining: new accommodation.

The leaders of the country, outside Quebec, must convince Canadians of the need for accommodations. This persuasion is most critical in western Canada.

Most English-speaking Canadians feel they have gone far enough, with cereal boxes and signs in national parks. He did not belittle the opinion. He merely suggested that it is inadequate at this time.

Concessions on language may be the factor in gaining economic concessions vital to western Canada. For example, Quebec might want more control over immigration and concede greater voice in transportation to western Canada, he suggested.

**STRONG GOVERNMENT**

There were other areas. There is a need for a federal government strong enough to speak in the councils of nations and to manage the Canadian economy as a whole.

He admitted that the present leadership in Quebec does not appear likely to take part in any effective bargaining. He looked to the new leader of the forces in Quebec opposing separation, "whoever that will be".

It will be a long process, gradual, less sweeping than some of his remarks might convey.

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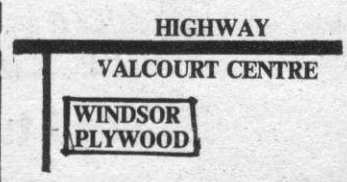
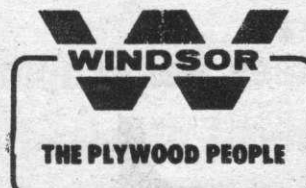
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**Conference for all Canada**

**West meets face-to-face with Con**

*By Frank Richards*

There was no comparison made between the call of the economy and the demands of Canadian unity.

The 300 delegates from all parts of Canada were addressing themselves to the need for change in the Canadian constitution.

When the first ministers had looked at the picture they had decided that the balance of power was steadily changing. Confederation was moving towards a greater strength in the central government at the expense of the provincial governments, the leaders had agreed.

It was in Victoria that the ministers proposed a shake-up of the Senate. The shake-up would see the elimination of the Senate and the substitution of a House of Provinces, appointed for the purpose of keeping a close eye on provincial needs.

In Banff last week the delegates assembled from every region to examine a paper outlining how this could be done. They came from Newfoundland and from British Columbia. The delegates represented every province and the two northern territories. They spoke English and they spoke French and many switched from one to the other.

The occasion was a discussion of Alternatives Canada. The discussion centred on a paper prepared by three Albertans at the call of the Canada West Foundation.

**WESTERN VIEWPOINT**

Funded by the four western governments and private sources, the Foundation is devoted to the presentation of the western viewpoint, when and where changes in confederation are discussed. There was no west when the British North American Act was written. If it is to be amended, then the new Canada must be considered as well as the old. That is the basic function of Canada West Foundation.

British Columbia academic Stanley Roberts, of Calgary, Vancouver and Salt Spring Island, is its president.

The precise name of the gathering was the Canada West Conference on Confederation. The name was significant for the fact that many of the eastern delegates learned of the western Canadian gripes and aspirations for the first time.

Centre of the discussions was the document, Alternatives: Towards the development of an effective Federal system for Canada. It was prepared by David Elton, of the University of Lethbridge; F.C. Engelmann, U. of Alberta and Peter McCormick, U. of Lethbridge.

The authors, at the request of Canada West Foundation, responded to the need for a document that would deal with the basic elements of constitutional change.

**SOLUTION TO CRISIS**

Questions asked of the authors were: What experience have other liberal democratic countries had with their federal systems of government that might help Canada solve its current "crisis of confederation"?

What kind of structures are needed to adequately reflect the regional nature of Canada?

What recommendations would you make for structural change that would provide Canada with a viable federal government?

The questions were asked with the expectation of a brief answer. The paper was the answer.

Delegates were well aware of the ministerial-level of earlier discussions. Many had already taken part in the two eastern Canada conferences, Options and Destiny.

Alternatives examined the federal system of government in Germany, Switzerland, United States and Australia. The presentation was a discussion paper and not intended as the summary of western opinion.

The problems of Canadian administration were the raw materials of the proposals. Too often, it was submitted, the federal government runs at odds with provincial governments when they are considering common problems. Too often, decisions are made in Ottawa which vitally affect the provinces and without recourse to provincial opinion or preferences.

Authors felt that the Canadian system provides for too great a power in the central government at the expense of the provincial governments. They cited disallowance, or the provision whereby the federal government may override provincial enactments, appointment of the lieutenant-governor from Ottawa; naming of senators by Ottawa, among other shortcomings.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

And they made recommendations.

The conference was engaged, largely, in examining the recommendations.

"We recommend the abolition of the Senate as it now exists."

The Senate has never served its essential purpose of representing the regions within the central government, it was maintained. The services it has rendered.....review of legislation special investigatory activity, committee work on non-controversial technical legislation and a place to pension off deserving politicians are insufficient to justify its retention.

The conference wasn't about to go overboard. Many delegates fought shy of the proposal. Many were leery of the provincial naming of members to a new upper house on the grounds that the new house would be a pension arena for the provinces instead of serving that function for the central government.

"We recommend that there be created by constitutional amendment a new upper house to be styled the House of Provinces, and that this House consist of provincial and territorial delegations casting a single, weighted vote."

Many delegates who favoured the change from Senate to House of Provinces were boggled by the suggestion that the members would be provincial civil servants with voting instructions prepared before they took part in any debate.

The original recommendation had proposed that the new House be filled by the "provincial governments on pleasure with no fixed term". This had been challenged even before the conference and

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