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It's too late to go back now it's built!

BY FRANK RICHARDS

There is no way the proposed Victoria CBC station should be abandoned.

It's so nearly ready to go on the air it's too late to get lost.

Ask anyone on Saturna Island.

The broadcasting installation is almost completed on Saturna. Once the tower is erected it appears likely that the station will be ready to do its best for the people of Victoria.

The new installation is as modern as any they are likely to see on Saturna in years. The building is spacious and provides accommodation for still more highly sophisticated equipment.

The broadcasting transmitters are imported from England and are up to the moment in design. The transmitter is a dual unit with an automatic cut-over. If the transmitter breaks down it automatically switches to the spare.

LOOKING WITH ENVY

Highly knowledgeable radio and television buffs in the islands have watched the installation grow and they have looked with envy on the quality of the equipment. Driftwood was told last week.

The transmitter is already humming, but it awaits a tower to hum from and a studio in Victoria to hum in.

Rumours and reports of plans by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation to abandon the Victoria station are absurd in the face of the Saturna installation. The cost of the operation on the furthestmost of the Gulf Islands would represent a colossal investment to be kept in mothballs. Too much has been spent there already.

CHALLENGED!

The need for a new Victoria station has been bitterly challenged in Vancouver and many in Victoria have echoed the complaints. To the regular CBC news watcher away from Vancouver, the Victoria station will be welcome. He will no longer be expected to watch with eager anxiety the strange antics of Vancouver City Council and other interesting but remote administrative bodies on the mainland.

The CBC is shutting the Saturna stable door after the horse has bolted. The horse in this case was loaded with gold bricks. The money is half-spent, the new television station will probably cost more to abandon than to finish.

ZERO BASE

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WOULD IT WORK FOR SCHOOL BOARD?

In a few brief minutes Trustee Spencer Marr outlined to the Gulf Islands School Board last week the principles and practice of zero-base budgeting.

Accountant Marr had attended a seminar on the principle of budgeting according to available revenues.

Art show tops tourist call list

There were more people registered at the Arts and Crafts Exhibition in Mahon Hall this summer than at the Tourist Bureau in Ganges.

In her report to the Gulf Islands School Board last week, Mrs. Olive Clayton noted that the 5,008 who registered exceeded the number recorded at the information booth.

The exhibition was highly successful, reports Mrs. Clayton.

Among the 115 persons exhibiting were artists ranging in age from 11 to over 80.

Present system of budgeting all public accounts and many private company systems is to amend the previous year's budget to fit the current needs.

Zero base budgeting is a system whereby operating planning and budgeting are each required to justify the entire budget, reported the speaker.

It is not proposed simply for school districts, although the province has been looking at zero-base systems.

Marr reported that of the many who attended the seminar, the majority were representing public accounting.

The lecturer offered examples of where the system had been implemented and cited a jail and a garbage collection department of government.

The inmates were more enthusiastic about the system in jail than were the jailers, he reported.

NO GUIDE

Advantage of the system is that it eliminates last year's budget as a general guide without close scrutiny.

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It's not his!



That dog figures the ramp was made for him. So did the young cyclist. It was made for anyone who needs it. Picture was taken at Central Hall on Sunday.

For Saturna

Water vote is approved by Municipal Affairs Ministry

Water vote on Saturna has been set up again by the provincial government.

On Monday, Municipal Affairs Minister Hugh Curtis announced that the referendum for water service at Saturna has been approved by his ministry and that it only awaits the approval of the Capital Regional District in order to present the referendum.

The referendum gained the assent of the ministry of municipal affairs on September 18, said Curtis. The Capital Regional Board will be responsible for the presentation of the referendum.

Inspector of municipalities has given his consent to the vote.

All that is required is the assent of the taxpayers concerned. The referendum had previously been planned for September, but was delayed by the province shortly before the referendum was due to be presented.

TOTAL COST

Total cost of the system and service will be \$582,700. Senior governments will contribute the bulk of the cost through water facilities grants, said Curtis.

If the voters of the designated area on Saturna support the referendum, the province will make a grant of better than \$43,000 a year. The net annual cost to the taxpayers will be less than \$16,000.

Minister was acting as the member of the legislature for the Islands.

Earlier plans to present a referendum were delayed by the

ministry while costs were investigated. Proposal calls for the acquisition of the system at Lyall Harbour and Boot Cove from Money Bros. and Pederson. The system will then be completely rebuilt.

Galiano scene of tragedy

Tragedy struck Galiano on Tuesday afternoon last week.

A nine-year-old girl ran to a neighbour's home after having been stabbed four times. Medical aid was called and the youngster was flown out by helicopter.

Sixteen-year-old boy believed responsible for the injuries was later found dead after hanging himself.

Names of the persons involved have been withheld.

Short of music

Some home on Salt Spring Island is short of music.

Quantity of records, tapes and printed materials have been found in the vicinity of Beddis Road. Miscellaneous mail was also found.

Owner is sought by the Ganges Detachment, RCMP.

They display lost articles at Salt Spring school



This is the school's problem! display the vast collection of lost Spring Elementary School. The collection represents a lot of dollars

Four charges heard

Driving offences cost \$1,100 as court hears of appeal

Former resident of Salt Spring Island and now living in Yellowknife, NWT, Donald J. Morrison was fined a total of \$1,100 for driving offences when he appeared in Ganges Provincial Court last week.

Represented by Vancouver lawyer, Howard Luke, he successfully challenged one charge, was found guilty of a second and pleaded guilty to three others. A sixth charge was withdrawn.

Luke cited animosity between RCMP Constable Burton Allison and the accused driver as sufficient justification to refuse a breathalyzer test. Court did not accept it.

The defence counsel also suggested that the officer did not have reasonable and probable grounds to believe that Morrison was impaired by alcohol.

The court did not agree.

Judge D.K. McAdam ruled that there was no justification for refusing the breathalyzer test and imposed a fine of \$500. He noted that the evidence which represented adequate cause to demand the test did not show that the accused was impaired by alcohol and dismissed the impairment charge.

Court then heard the story of three charges of driving without a license in the spring of 1977.

WHILE SUSPENDED

Morrison was charged with driving while his license was suspended on April 30, May 2 and May 5. The charges had not been heard and when they were supposed to go to trial, neither the accused nor his counsel, of the time, appeared in court.

Luke told the court that Morrison had been convicted of impaired driving on April 20, 1977.

He had been sentenced to a fine of \$200 and his license was suspended. He had then instructed his counsel to appeal the conviction. Due to an oversight, this instruction was not carried out. Morrison was driving under the impression that the suspension was held in abeyance while the appeal was pending, Luke told the court. This was not the case and therefore he had changed his plea to one of guilty.

The court was also told that the failure of Morrison to appear for trial resulted from a mistaken impression on the part of another lawyer that the matter had been

New teachers at Salt Spring Elementary School



New teachers at Salt Spring Elementary school are shown: left to right, Mrs. Debbie Magnusson, Mrs. Arlene Sadler, Ian Jukes, Scott Lawrence, Tom Perry, Mrs. Sheila Hoechsmann, Wayne Taylor.

Counsel makes unsuccessful plea for rejection of certificate

Gary Bogdanovich was fined \$350 for driving while the blood-alcohol exceeded 0.08% when he appeared in Ganges Provincial Court on Wednesday last week.

Counsel Brian Lercher argued that the prosecution had erred in

waived to Yellowknife. Such was not the case and as a result of the failure to appear a warrant was issued.

This was executed when Morrison came back to Salt Spring Island and was taken into custody.

Last week the accused had flown in from Yellowknife and had surrendered to the Sheriff's Officer, to be held in custody overnight, the court learned.

Luke asked the court to consider that Morrison is not living in this community. He is a carpenter who works in Yellowknife. He is currently engaged in building RCMP married quarters at the northern community, court was told.

A USEFUL CITIZEN

A useful employed citizen, Luke described him: A productive and working element of the community.

Morrison was fined \$500 or 30 days for the breathalyzer count. He was fined \$200 on each of the three suspended driving charges. Alternative of seven days on each count would be served consecutively.

The accused was given time to pay at the rate of \$100 per month.

Sturdies Bay job on time

Repairs and alterations to Sturdies Bay wharf are getting along on schedule. On Sunday work crews were on the job at exactly 8 am. They are pushing hard to get it all done on time.

Most of the standing leads are now removed, all on the west side, and the workmen are taking down the piles on the other.

Work is being done by Byrne Construction, a mainland contractor.

Papier mache course

Miss Ursula Conoly is conducting classes at Galiano Hall, "Papier Mache Workshop." There are four lessons, September 19 and 26, and October 3 and 10.

Ursula is the artist who made the many little, and big, animals for the first Galiano spring parade.

issuing two certificates of analysis after he had been subjected to a breath test.

Court learned that two officers had followed him in the early morning hours and required the breath test. He blew 0.16 and 0.17.

He had been subsequently presented with a copy of the analysis on April 30. On August 9 he had been served with a second certificate slightly amended.

When the Crown serves a certificate on the accused, that

certificate should be introduced at the trial, contended Lercher. Otherwise the Crown could go on issuing amended certificates for months.

"I am asking your honour to set a precedent," said counsel.

Judge D.K. McAdam declined to accept Lercher's submission and found his client guilty.

Gulf Islands Secondary School

Will not be in Session for secondary students on September 29, 1978.

There will be a **PARENTS' MEETING** at 1.00 pm in Room 4 to discuss the formation of a School Consultative Committee.

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TO BE FRANK...

by richards

Wisdom is to be found everywhere. As one dignitary in Ganges observed, Old King Tut is dead! Tut! Tut!

This is a comment by the parent of a Salt Spring Island student. I have her name but it will not be published for a very sound reason.

Our children were very happy to go back to school. In fact, our youngest housed in Salt Spring Elementary School, was thrilled with his brand new "jeans". Unfortunately, his new "jeans" are now covered in sewage!

During the little guy's gym time, the sewage overflowed from the septic tank, backed up through the showers, and all over the changing room floor! When his class returned from the gym to get changed, there were his pants on the floor - covered.

Apparently, the overflowing is a frequent occurrence and that particular morning the septic tank was pumped, and it had been assumed that the changing rooms were safe to use.

Although the jeans are of minor concern, the health of 462 children is of public concern. Closing the door on this problem cannot alleviate the health hazard that exists in that school.

Somebody tried to knock 10 years off last week, but it didn't work. Report on the front page of Driftwood referred to 1977. The headline was 1967.

I'm glad I'm not a judge. Just figure that you're a judge and you're sick at home and can't get help. So I know the Attorney-General and I call him because I'm worried. And I just say to him, How

would you like to call Judge Jones, I'm kind of worried.....and the line goes dead, And that poor judge, lying there, suffering! I'm glad I ain't!

John Healey, who is a poet and carries his license, quotes an unknown writer of limericks:

There was an old fellow from Tring,
Who, when he was asked to sing,
Replied, 'Ain't it odd?
I cannot tell God
Save the weasel from Pop goes the King!

A long time ago His Majesty gave me a shaving brush. I agreed to fight his wars and he agreed to help me shave my whiskers. And that's how it started. What the Royal Air Force did not tell its recruits of nearly a half-century ago was that as soon as the wars were over, so was the shaving brush. The bristles have all shrunk and if I didn't have an electric razor, I couldn't shave at all. I reckon I was gypped!

Every time a man goes up into space I think of my problems with typesetting. The man flying into the wild black yonder is depending on the clever little electronic devices. So are we! And every time he needs to move, the little electronic gadgets set him on his way. Sometimes we go a whole week without a stoppage. We curse and rave and fix it. Out in space? It keeps us hopping just keeping going on the ground!

Dr. Jorge Villavicencio Calderon was a plastic surgeon in Argentina. On February 25, 1977 he was abducted by five armed men from his office. After several days he, showed in the local barracks of the Investigation Brigade. He was there for two months during which time he was tortured and beaten. For 12 months he was in the Villa Urquiza prison in San Miguel. In the latter days of his imprisonment he was allowed no reading material, no exercise and no recreation. When he was being transferred to Sierra Chica prison his death occurred. Neither he nor his widow has any idea of why he

Phoenix Orchards is directed at launching new island industry

BY JOHN BOC

What are Kings, Wealthies, Pippins and Gravensteins?

No, they are not the long lost royal families of Albania or new Federal tax brackets. They are varieties of apples growing prolifically in orchards throughout Salt Spring Island. Growing prolifically,

but generally unnoticed until now.

Phoenix Orchards Association, a local Canada Works Project, has begun the monumental task of tapping this Salt Spring Island's own abundant annual natural resource and bringing the benefits to the Island public.

Phoenix is a non-profit organization composed of a board of directors and several volunteers, all unpaid.

The president of Phoenix is Lillian Horsdal; vice-president, Beverly Unger, and treasurer, Elsa Fraser.

SPECIAL MENTION

Mrs. Unger made special mention of some of the supporters of the project: Mr. and Mrs. Jack James, Mrs. Agnes Bacon, Henry Schubart, Ron McQuiggan, Mrs. Sue Mouat, and the Salt Spring Community Centre Committee.

They assisted the project's initiation but it will be the Salt Spring general public who will decide the fate of Phoenix Orchards Association.

Phoenix is supported by a federal grant. But the goal of the sponsors is to establish a self-supporting business that would provide employment on Salt Spring. Any profit from the seven-month span of the federal grant will be channelled towards this goal.

NO WINDFALLS

Here is a breakdown of the monies.

The grant totals \$30,968, 90% of which must go to wages.

The remainder is divided into 8% or \$2,477.44 for building

was arrested and tortured. A petition signed by 2,000 Canadians has been sent to the President of Argentina, expressing concern over the incident.

Amnesty International estimates that there are about 8,000 in prison and that another 15,000 have disappeared. Each person enquiring into a disappearance has, in his turn, disappeared. Amnesty International seeks to ensure the right of all people to hold and express their beliefs. Non-governmental, it has consultative status with United Nations and many other responsible organizations in the world. When the petition was prepared for submission to Argentina, one of the signatories was a resident of Galiano.

Cecil Gore, of Galiano sent me the information and he is eager to hear from any islanders who might feel concern at the plight of people living in conditions undreamed of in Canada.

materials, containers, sterilization equipment, transportation, and hydro, with the last 2% going to Canada Pension, U.I.C. and W.C.B. for the employees.

Wages for the seven employees are as follows: \$110 per week for four picker-pressers; \$138 per week for two assistant managers and \$180 per week for a project manager.

These are wages before deductions. All employees, regardless of sex or position, are required to Labour manually.

The assistant managers are responsible for the performance of the employees, and the project manager is in charge of all the work, being directly answerable to the board of directors and the federal government.

NO REGULAR WEEK

Jobs are not limited to a normal work week, but extend into the weekend.

All equipment used for renovation and carpentry work is provided by the employees, themselves, without charge. The taxpayer gets productive work for the same price he would pay for unemployment and welfare benefits.

Phoenix workers, some of whom have families to support, were previously on unemployment or welfare. They may stay off if Phoenix Orchards becomes a viable enterprise.

This is only possible through Islanders' interest in Phoenix Orchard's products. It is interesting to note that their chief competitor for the local market is imported from Washington State!

NEW ORCHARDS

Phoenix is always looking for new orchards. They have implemented a new deal in order to convenience as many orchard owners as possible.

They offer: 40% of the juice if apples are brought to them, or 25% of the juice if the owners don't want pruning, or 10% of the juice if Phoenix picks as well as prunes.

The organic apple juice, in fresh or preserved form is available at the Farmers' Market or by order.

The fresh juice is available in imperial gallon containers for \$3.95.

The preserved apple juice will be heated to 175 degrees F. for 10 minutes, then capped in glass bottles. No chemicals will be added. This form of the Island-produced juice will be priced at \$3.95 a gallon and \$2.50 a half-gallon.

Both apple juice and regular apples by the pound will be on sale at the Farmers' Market on Saturday mornings or by phone.

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Death of a Director

Jim Bryce was a sailor.

On Salt Spring Island and further afield the name of Regional Director James Bryce was identified with Power Squadrons first and then regional matters. It was his first love.

As a community figure in Fulford, the late Jim Bryce was identified with local water supply and other south Salt Spring Island problems.

As a former Commander of Salt Spring Island Power Squadron, he was identified with safety afloat.

Latterly, in his capacity of Regional Director, he had been associated with island administration.

Despite his failing health he had striven to serve his fellow islanders during a period of considerable friction.

His quiet, gentle approach to local affairs will be missed.

Reward of virtue

Virtue, the adage assures us, is its own reward.

Last week we saw otherwise, when the very hard-working, earnest members of two Salt Spring Island functions were rewarded by virtue of their service to the island.

The Salt Spring Island Farmers' Institute received promise of a grant of \$25,000 to the acquisition of a new site for the fall fair, once they reach a final conclusion regarding the future of the fair.

Mr. Hugh Curtis made the promise, while expressing his pleasure at the progress made in so short a time.

The second island function to gain recognition was the Central Hall Fund. The minister presented the committee with a cheque for \$5,000 towards the costs of completing the hall.

It was a welcome message from Mr. Curtis.

Budgeting

Many years ago a proud Canadian soldier was one of a fighting regiment which had been selected to stand guard in London as a tribute to its accomplishments on the field of battle. The soldier was gifted with a sense of curiosity.

It was his turn to march with strict military precision to his sentry box and there to stand and march for the turn of his duty. Being on guard is a great honour. It is also a great bore. The soldier looked in his sentry box and out of his sentry box. And his eyes lighted on a large pair of rubber gloves. They were not hand-wear for making pastry. They were heavy, solid looking gloves, hanging in the sentry box.

In due course he asked the NCO of the guard why the gloves were there. The NCO asked the officer of the guard and the officer asked the Brits, whose box it was. The answers were consistent. The gloves were there because they were required to be there according to military regulations.

It required some research to ascertain that the sentry box was once on a street car track. In the early days of street cars, an overhead wire had fallen and the sentry on duty had obligingly moved the wire. He was buried with full military honours.

The British Army, in its wisdom, had then ruled that the insulated gloves must always be available in the sentry box in case a street car cable should ever fall again. The trams had gone, but not the gloves.

Now, this tale reminds many of us of the pattern of government financing: always based on what was spent before and never a real thought to need or availability of funds.

Last week the trustees of Gulf Islands School District were giving some passing considerations to a new form of budgeting, starting from the bottom up and justifying every dollar listed.

It might prove that no school trustee in the province can see how the system would work. But we have a sneaking hunch that the general public would welcome such an innovative measure in public spending.

We might get rid of some insulated rubber gloves in other areas!



CEASE ALL ACTIVITY, WE'RE WALKING OUT!

Letters to the Editor

ECONOMIC CRISIS

Sir,

Continually increasing salaries and wages, based on the percentage increase in the Cost-of-living determined by Statistics Canada, has been the greatest single cause of the breakdown in the economy of Canada.

Where the government's operations are involved, the causes and effects of economic maladjustments are clouded by political considerations. As a consequence, politically motivated people such as socialists and union leaders, continue to contribute to the destruction of the financial structure of the country. They simply will not admit that governments are subject to the same economic rules as private enterprise.

When a private enterprise is expanding it usually experiences an increase in income which outstrips the increase in expenses. The crunch comes, however, when expansion ceases or the company is forced to cut back. Almost overnight, costs start to rise faster than income, even if price increases can be implemented by the company. And, for service industries, wages and salaries represent the largest single cost item.

Financial upheaval, even bankruptcy, faces a private enterprise which is subjected to the kind of economic pressures being applied to the Canadian economy by the organized groups which have the clout to demand (and get) increases in pay based on the statistical cost-of-living, unless the private company is in a monopolistic position to increase its income.

Possibly the best illustration for the point to be made, is the recent history of the big Canadian multinational, Massey-Ferguson.

This company has suspended dividends and is striving to keep from going under. However, no matter what management does, eg. sell off plants in West Germany, Argentine, and elsewhere, the company will never again be the giant money-making machine it was in the past decade of growth. The shareholders, and Labour (beyond the actual people who work for the company), are the losers.

And so it is for our country, as a whole.

We have ignored the fact that we are shareholders and must accept lower dividends, when our country can no longer compete in the markets of the world.

Much as we hate to admit it, we

have been living high on money we got by mortgaging our future and the mortgage holders are telling us to reduce our costs voluntarily or they will demand settlement of the mortgage.

KEITH JACKSON

RR 1, Mayne Island, BC

September 19, 1978

P.S. Think we may see an 80-cent dollar soon?

OIL FOR THE SQUEEKY WHEEL

Sir,

After reading the "horrible" deals the farmers are getting in regards to the pipelines being used by the Alberta oil companies, I thought I would write in rebuttal - it is always the poor farmer, who, by the way, is paid for the pipeline crossing and also gets yearly rentals.

Before a pipeline is laid down, the oil companies must get the owner's permission. There is an arbitration board to settle differences.

Pipelines are hidden "highways" bringing oil and gas to refineries etc. The "poor farmer" uses oil and gas in his operation - where would he be without the diesel fuel to run his \$50,000 tractor or combine?

Pipelines become invisible after

burial and, contrary to what the environmentalists would have us believe, very few breaks occur and these are soon detected. In addition, revenue derived from land sale and rentals, royalties paid on production have made Alberta rich - roads which the farmers use are paved. If it wasn't for the oil companies, Alberta would be a poor province, and the farmers would be still plowing with horses.

I do not notice these "do-gooders" who criticize oil companies, riding horses - they all are happy to drive their cars - using - heaven forbid - gas derived from oil.

I am employed in the oil business and damn proud of it - I have been able to lead a good life and educate my family - I feel sorry for these people who use third party information and immediately become experts. Mary Williamson, if you have no better information than a TV program - and obviously no further knowledge - keep quiet!

M.E. McLEOD

RR 1, Sunset Drive

Ganges, BC

September 25, 1978

PLEASE SLOW DOWN

Sir,

Isabella Point Road is a pleasure to drive on since it has been partially black topped. However, I

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Church Services

SUNDAY OCTOBER 1

ANGLICAN			
St. Marks	Central	Harvest Eucharist	11.15 am
St. George's	Ganges	Parish Eucharist	9.30 am
Daily: Mon.-Fri.			
St. George's	Ganges	Morning Prayer	9.00 am
Weekly: Wednesdays			
St. George's	Ganges	Holy Communion	9.00 am
ROMAN CATHOLIC			
St. Paul's	Fulford	Holy Mass	9.00 am
Our Lady of Grace	Ganges	Holy Mass	11.15 am
UNITED			
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
COMMUNITY GOSPEL			
Rev. S. Hildebrandt	Sunday Sch. all ages		10.30 am
Box 61, Ganges	537-2622, -5757	Evening Service	7.30 pm
Bible Study & Prayer	Thursday		7.30 pm
MAYNE ISLAND			
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.		
GALIANO ISLAND			
St. Margaret's	Galiano	Sundays	9.00 am

Its first... and last.

May Day is still popular on Salt Spring reports Walters

Bevis Walters has prepared a report on May Day at Ganges:

Two weeks before the date on which May Day celebration takes place, a number of residents requested me to organize a May Day Celebration.

This I did. I was assisted by Gavin Reynolds, Ed Allan, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Newman, Miss Amy Newman, David Parsons, Mrs. Susan Spencer, and Mrs. Ranjee Bhimji.

The School Board co-operated by allowing full use of the school grounds and facilities. Glenn Woodley, arranged for a May Queen to be elected from amongst his pupils, and Wilf Davies permitted the School Band to play for the occasion.

On May Day a short Parade from Manson Road, to the school grounds was made, headed by the May Queen and her retinue. This was followed by a crowning ceremony in the school grounds.

There followed an afternoon of sports and other events, organized by Gavin Reynolds. It is estimated that about 1400 people attended, and this, coupled with many expressions of appreciation of the continuance of the May Day Cele-

bration lead me to believe that the people of Salt Spring Island do want the May Day Celebration to be a continuing annual event.

It is not my intention to again put on the May Day celebration next year or any other year.

May Day 1978 financial statement shows:

EXPENDITURES	
Signs	3.28
Batteries for Tape Recorder	6.19
Sashes for May Queens 1977 and 1978 and four princesses	43.65
Parade Prizes	55.03
Luncheon at Harbour House for Queens, Princesses and mothers	26.95
Total expenditures	\$140.30

RECEIPTS	
Booth Rents (collected by Ed Allan)	49.90
Donation (Bevis Walters)	90.40
Total Receipts	\$140.30

Bevis Walters organized the parade and queen crowning ceremony only. This was followed by an afternoon of sports and other events, all of which were organized by Gavin Reynolds and financed by donations collected by him.

Letters to the Editor

[From Page Four]

would like to point out that there are still young children, adults, animals and other living beings abiding along this road.

For those of you that feel Isabella Point Road is now a black-topped Speedway, Please Slow Down!

We will all regret it if someone is needlessly hurt.

MAXINE PRENDERGAST

Isabella Point Road
Fulford Harbour

September 8, 1978

APPLES STOLEN

Sir,
Last Saturday morning, Sept. 23, my best apple trees were raped here on the Old Scott farm.

People shook the trees and left many apples lying on the ground. I hope those involved choke on every bite!

I would appreciate people leaving the trees be or suffer the consequences the postings on the property aren't there for looks.

PETER CODLING

(Caretaker)
Scott Road
Ganges

September 25, 1978

Pender black sheep

Mrs. Chris Wade and her son Phillip brought honors to Pender Island at the third annual Salt Spring Fall Fair, on September 16.

Their "Black Sheep" of Pender Island came home with three firsts, two seconds and Champion Animal in the Commercial Division. The Champion ribbon was awarded to an aged ewe who has won it three years in a row, and is now aged ten.

Pender Islanders hope she can repeat this performance next year.

Also Mrs. Wade and Phillip "cleaned up" with their entries, winning the Harkema Perpetual Trophy and Andy's Meat Market cup now being engraved with their names.

SALT SPRING ISLAND GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB



CONTRIBUTED

On Tuesday, Sept. 19, 16 ladies in the 9 hole section turned out. Nine of these played the second round of the Legion Cup.

Gwen Ruckle was the cup winner and runners-up were Edith Owens and Mary Kay Thomas.

On the same day the ladies in the 18-hole section were competing for the Marg Johnston cup. Marg Frattinger was the winner, and Irene Hawksworth, runner-up. Congratulations to all!

On Wednesday, our mixed team were to have visited Pender ladies for a match, but bad weather kept them at home. Hopefully, the ladies from Pender will play here on September 26.

Portlock Park program going ahead well says Woodley

BY GLENN WOODLEY

The Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission is continuing with the provision of facilities at Portlock Park.

Steel goal posts suitable for soccer and football have been ordered and their arrival is imminent. The cost for these goalposts will be from the Commission's budget.

In the same order, the bleachers kindly purchased by the Salt Spring Kicks Soccer Team will arrive and be assembled for use at Portlock Park.

CONTRIBUTION

The Commission feels this is a very worthwhile contribution by the boys and officials associated with the Kicks soccer team.

In August, the Commission considered four bids from local contractors to install the septic tank at Portlock Park, with Ron Spencer

being successful with the lowest bid. Work on this project is due for completion on September 30. The change rooms should be fully operable by October.

TECHNICAL EXPERT

The Commission has contacted a track technical expert from Vancouver but further work on this facility is only possible when our application to the provincial government is accepted. The application is in the final stages of evaluation.

Brian Johnston, of PERC, has now finished his data collection for the Master Plan and the rough draft will be presented to the Recreation Commission in October - after which the public will be provided with information on the recommendations.

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MINSTREL ISLAND

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LIVING OFF THE LAND

On Vesuvius Road on Salt Spring the Cue family have built a habitat.

Do you remember Habitat and all the ways of building houses on display in Vancouver? One of them was firewood piled up just the way you pile it up before you burn it, with concrete poured between the round foot-long logs.

The Cues have built an entire barn this way. It was inexpensive. Anybody can do it. It looks terrific!

Cue has built a dryer running off a grid like a toaster. They dry slices of cucumber, banana, apple, apricot. Its about the size of either a washer or dryer unit.

He says some things taste better dried, like apricots. Fish is better frozen. Apples better dried.

SUN DRIED HERRING

I visited the Silvester family on Kuper Island Native Peoples' Reserve. A talented family: carving, sweaters, literature. Mrs. Silvester gave me this recipe:

String herring on round cedar sticks--all facing the same way --smoke or sun dry. Serve with Indian bread.

ISLAND RESTAURANTS

The Jolly Robber is a low-capital smashing success at Friday Harbour on San Juan Island.

A falling down house of driftwood grey, since it hasn't been

Painted for 100 years, sits on an escarpment and is propped up with the driftwood logs. A partition has been made with the timber from the beach. Its sidewalk is an item of particular exquisite taste. The owner salvaged creosoted logs from the beach. You can believe that the beach needs cleaning up from the same and nobody likes to burn them.

They criss-cross little bits of weather-worn timbers so the sidewalk from the street through the front door wanders up and down and sideways, and is most attractive. On both sides of the path is a vegetable garden from which they grab the tomatoes, lettuce and other greens to make the salad. It is a very homey atmosphere.

It is less than \$1,000 investment and every table is filled.

WITH TONGUE IN CHEEK

I have just finished reading David Conover's "Sitting on a Saltspring". His literature ranks with the Nursie Mersey?? books even to the constant repetition of his father's undying love for his wife, Jeanne.

There was one memorable item, his near-drowning on a swim to Wallace Island. His pet deer swam out and brought him in.

There used to be items like this in the hunter's sections of men's magazines.

The man who would claim such hard to believe epics would say:

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If this evaluation seems harsh, it is no worse than what Jack Scott, Victoria Times, said:

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WILD SALMON

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Top picture shows Mrs. V. Griffin serving eager customers during the sale at Central Hall.

Below, Bevis Walters tries his hand at selling books.



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Sun., Oct 8 - Start 9 am Fulford Store (3.7 mi., 2 mi.)

Sun., Oct 15 - Start 9 am Fernwood Store (5 mi., 2 mi.,)

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Sun., Oct. 29 - Start 9 am Stark Rd. (5 mi., 2 mi.)

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Top picture shows Central Hall in Saturday's sunshine as many Salt Spring Islanders gathered for the formal opening. Left, lower, picture is inside the main hall where the entertainment program was launched by the Newman family and keen helpers. On the right, George Wells sits in judgement on the cash box during the rummage sale in the basement.

Marty Legg heads into big soccer

Marty Legg, the 17-year-old Salt Spring Island soccer coach of the Rotary Canadians, has been signed by Premier Division Vic West who were the Canadian National Senior Soccer Champions in 1977 and Divisional and McGavin Cup Champions in 1978.

Marty was with them when they beat Duncan on Saturday in a Premier Division league game.

He will play for them in future league games and the McGavin Cup Final in the first week of October. His call to the NASL is expected in October.

Fined \$400 for blow of 0.14

Reid Gordon Pumple, of Sidney, was fined \$400 when he pleaded guilty in Ganges Provincial Court last week to driving with a high blood-alcohol count.

Court was told that Pumple had been stopped and required to take a test. He blew 0.14 and 0.13. Offence occurred on Lower Ganges Road, August 19.

Board to go it alone

Gulf Islands School Board will undertake the construction of the finishing room at the industrial education unit of Gulf Islands Secondary School.

Last Thursday trustees learned that the board had advertised the job but received no response.

Nobody wanted to do the job, it was learned.

"Students above average"

Standards at Salt Spring Island schools are more than satisfactory, trustees of the Gulf Islands School District were told last week.

Grade four and grade eight



Marg Simons looks at the display while artist Jack Webb explains the technique. Picture was taken at the current Webb showing at Kenton House Gallery.

students undergoing tests last school year showed levels "significantly above average", reported Superintendent Bob Huestis.

They were above average for the province and the zone except in one area.

The grade 12 level was significantly up in two areas, trustees learned.

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Big group of students is all set for Seattle visit

Grade 7 students from Salt Spring Island elementary school will be well-informed after their planned visit to Seattle.

There will be 44 students travelling to Seattle for the Science

Fined \$100

Eileen J. Beauvais was fined the minimum penalty of \$100 for refusing to leave licensed premises when required to do so.

In reply to an enquiry from Miss Beauvais, Judge D.K. McAdam noted that the charge had been laid by the RCMP.

Five active Tuesdays in October for Nature Club

Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club has prepared a list of activities for the month of October.

Oct. 3, Walk and hike: Thetis Island. Meet 9.30 am at Centennial

Fair and the Tutankhamen exhibition.

Students will pay their own way and the overnight stay has been arranged in collaboration with the school at Edmonds, in Seattle.

There will be no cost to the school board in the project and each student taking part will pay \$15 and the cost of meals.

On Thursday afternoon last week trustees of the Gulf Islands School District expressed appreciation of the work which has been devoted to the project and suggested that other schools might be interested in learning how it has been set up.

Park to catch 10 am ferry at Vesuvius.

Oct. 10, Walk: Wright Road to Park Road; leader, Ted Brown; hike: Mt. Maxwell circular; leader Don Kertland. Meet 9.30 am Drummond Park, 10 am Centennial Park.

Oct. 17, Walk: Nina's Trail; leader Nina Wichmann. Hike; On and On Trail; leader Bob Kertland. Meet 10 am Centennial Park, 10.30 am Drummond Park.

Oct. 24, Walk: Mt. Maxwell circular; leader Jack Webb. Meet 9.30 am Drummond Park, 10 am Centennial Park. Hike: Mt. Tuam; leader Gerry Holland. Meet 10 am Centennial, 10.30 am Drummond Park.

Oct. 31, Walk and hike: Sheperd Hills; leaders Vera Pirillo and

New school on schedule Board told

Fernwood school is still holding to schedule, Gulf Islands School Board heard at last Thursdays' meeting in Ganges.

The drywall is almost all nailed down and electrical and plumbing work is well away, reported Secretary-Treasurer Wilf Peck.

External grading has been completed and the paving will be done by the end of the month, he forecast.

"The weather is not helping a bit," he added.

Students of Fernwood School are at present accommodated in Salt Spring Elementary School.

Richmond couple wed at Saturna

Jane, eldest daughter of Jack and Betty Speers of Richmond, was joined in marriage on July 8 to Bryan, son of Art and Sophia Rousseau of North Bay, Ontario.

Rev. John Quirk officiated at the service. The ceremony was held at St. Christopher's Church on Saturna Island.

The bride was attended by Vicki Shannon, a lifetime friend, and by her sister, Tracy. Supporting the groom were Bill Mott of Surrey and Barry Upshaw of Toronto.

Many people participated in providing a festive atmosphere for the reception, which was held at the Saturna Island Community Hall.

After a short honeymoon the couple spent a few days celebrating with friends and family from Ontario, Manitoba, Alberta, B.C., Idaho and the Yukon.

The Rousseau's new home is on Cooper Road in Richmond.

Accident victims hospitalized

Number of persons were sent to Lady Minto Hospital for treatment when a truck driven by Bonnie Head failed to negotiate a turn on Galiano and crashed heavily.

Truck was travelling on Porlier Pass Road on Sunday at an estimated speed of 45 mph. At Montague Road, the driver made a turn and the vehicle flipped twice and somersaulted before coming to rest.

Travelling in the vehicle were Alexander Usher, Henry Head, Rodney Wilson, Stuart Jorgenson, Lessa Head and Jessica Head.

Jack Ready. Meet 9.30 am Drummond Park 10 am Centennial Park.

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There are 176 islands in vote

Full voting rights in the forthcoming Local Trustee elections have been extended to all eligible voters residing in the Islands Trust Area. Municipal Affairs Minister Hugh Curtis made the announcement.

The announcement was made with the approval of a Cabinet Order grouping all the inhabited islands in the Trust Area into "designated islands".

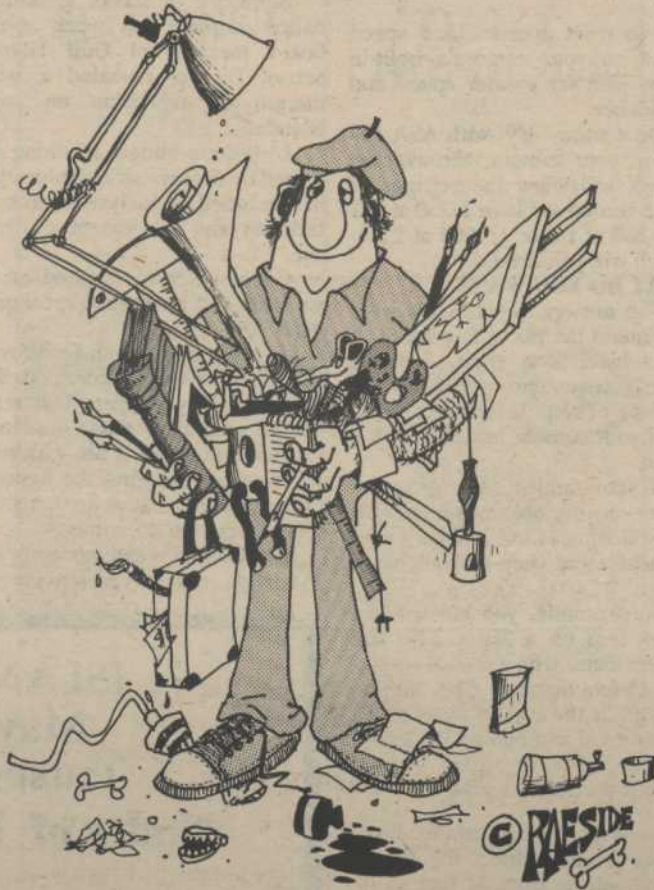
Under the provisions of the Islands Trust Act, two Local Trustees are elected from each "designated island" group. Elections for Local Trustees are held in conjunction with the annual municipal, regional district and school board elections which occur in November.

As a result of the Cabinet Order, 176 islands have received designation.

"To the best of our ability, we have included every island known to be inhabited or capable of accommodating permanent residents," said Curtis.

"We want to ensure that every eligible voter on the islands has the franchise" Curtis concluded.

Cartooning and other skills to be offered in fall program



Self-portrait of Adrian Raeside was drawn to show everything the cartoonist needs. Candidates for the course on Cartooning to be offered under the adult education program this fall will need their teeth. The significance of the portrait is to be found in the feet. The shoes, it will be seen, appear to match. It is, however, highly probable that they are not the same

size, according to non-adult education sources.

Registration for Continuing Education takes place with Virginia Newman at the School Board office from 11-2 this Thursday, Friday and Monday, Oct. 2, 3 and 4.

Fees will be collected and class lists prepared.

Mail registration has been heavy; Chinese Cooking is filled, Tut Trip is nearly so, and most courses show some action.

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Woman

"A perfect woman, nobly planned, To warm, to comfort, and command."

Thus wrote a poet long ago, When life was calm, the tempo slow.

Then she, that "phantom of delight," Who'd never heard of woman's right,

Was quite content to let the male Believe she was by nature frail. Now in this modern day and age,

Do-it-yourself is all the rage; And woman does her share and more,

Yet bears the babes just as before. So if we could but change those plans

I'd add another pair of hands. - Grace A. Wright

Report

Report on the evaluation of the two schools on Salt Spring Island has been received by the Gulf Islands School Board.

It will be considered at the October 5 board meeting.

Judge refers to discrepancies in evidence while finding driver guilty

When Terance A. Dow appeared in Ganges Provincial Court last week, he was found guilty of impaired driving.

Case had been remanded from September 5 and Judge D.K. McAdam referred to the wide discrepancy between the evidence of the police officer and that of the accused.

The judge accepted evidence of speech and appearance from Const. D. Geistlinger and the

supporting evidence of Dr. Gerry Nestman, who had been called to carry out a blood test.

"It leads me to conclude that the accused was impaired by alcohol or drugs and did unlawfully drive a motor vehicle," concluded the judge.

He heard that Dow was unemployed and fined him \$350 or 15 days.

Nick Lott appeared for Dow.

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Thurs. Sept. 28, 7.30 pm - Community Exchange meeting.
Thurs. Sept. 28 - Seniors swim program.

* Family Centre

For further information call the Community Centre. 537-9212

Community Calendar for October as phoned in to the Salt Spring Island Community Centre.

Oct. 2, Accupressure Workshop, Barry Dayman, 7 pm, Community Centre.

Oct. 4, O.A.P. meeting Central Hall 2 pm;

Oct. 4, Psychic Development, 7.30 Community Centre;

Oct. 5, Senior's swim program call Community Centre, 537-9212;

Oct. 5, Women's Group, 7 pm Family Centre;

Oct. 6, Death Workshop, 7 pm Family Centre;

Oct. 9, Accupressure Workshop, Barry Dayman, 7 pm, Community Centre.

Oct. 11, Psychic Development, 7.30 pm, Community Centre;

Oct. 12, Seniors' Luncheon, 12.30 pm Community Centre;

Oct. 12, Men's group, 7 pm, Family Centre;

Oct. 16, Accupressure Workshop, Barry Dayman, 7 pm, Community Centre.

Oct. 17, Foot massage, 7 pm, Family Centre;

Oct. 18, Psychic Development, 7.30 pm, Community Centre;

Oct. 19, Seniors' swim program.

Oct. 19, Community Society Board Meeting, 7.30.

Oct. 20, Adult film night, 7 pm, Family Centre;

Oct. 21, I.O.D.E. Art show and calendar sale all day at the United Church.

Oct. 22, Children's Film Day, 1 pm, Family Centre;

Oct. 25, Ovulation Class - Mayne Island.

Oct. 25, Psychic Development, 7.30, Community Centre;

Oct. 26, Seniors' swim program, 7.30 Community Centre;

Oct. 26, O.A.P. meeting.

Oct. 26, Foster Grandparents meeting, 7 pm, Family Centre.

Oct. 26, Nursery School Parents' Meeting, 7.30 pm, Community Centre.

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SHUTTERBUG

BY CEDRIC BARKER

CHOOSING APERTURE AND SHUTTER SPEED

In the August 30 issue of Driftwood, we dealt with the business of programming your camera's exposure from the information provided by your light meter.

stops (apertures). The camera with a built-in light meter may simply require you to centre a needle in the viewfinder, but the beginner may find it confusing when required to change the setting. For the

able to reset aperture and speed based on your camera's built-in meter with far greater speed and confidence.

On a sunny day, with ASA 100 film in your camera, the average subject will allow the settings of 1/125 second at f 16 or 1/250 at f 11 or 1/500 at f 8 or 1/1000 at f 5.6. Which will you choose?

WHAT DO YOU WANT?

The answer depends on what you intend the photo to portray. If the subject is a sport, use the fastest convenient speed with the necessary f stop: 1/1000 second at f 5.6 if your camera has that high a speed.

If your subject is a group of slower moving objects spread out, you will want to use a small f stop to insure that they will all be in focus.

For example, you are using a 50mm lens on a 35mm film size camera focused on a central subject at a 15-foot distance. The "depth-of-field" is the area in focus which is in front of and behind the stated distance, or main subject focused on, at a particular f stop.

Given the 15-foot distance from camera to main subject, the depth-of-field will be from 32 feet to 10 feet at f 11 or from 24 feet to 11 feet at f 8 or from 20 feet to 12 feet at f 5.6. If one subject is 30 feet away and the others are as close as 12 feet, you must select the meter's recommendation of 1/250 at f 11.

Most camera lenses have the depth-of-field scale on the lens. However, for more precise work or older cameras without such a scale, I suggest carrying a small chart with the necessary information.

COPY IT

If you have lost the booklet that came with the camera, you may copy the appropriate chart from a photographic reference book.

The above photograph illustrates the setting for full sunlight, using ASA 100 speed film, as in our two imaginary scenes. The lens is a 28mm wide angle on a 35mm camera.

Notice that, at f 16, the lens would be in focus from infinity, the maximum possible distance, to three feet from the camera. Since it is set at f 8, the depth-of-field will extend from a little under 4 feet to approximately 13 feet. This shows that a wide angle lens will have a far greater depth-of-field than the standard lens, such as a 50mm lens on a 35mm camera.

You are invited to attend the Salt Spring Island Camera Club meeting on October 5, at 7.30 pm, in the School Board Office. Our members would be happy to discuss any aspect of photography with you.

Camper loses lights and tie-downs

Terry Knight, of Surrey, lost his boat tie-downs and trailer lights when he was overnighing at Mouat Park at the week end.

Knight told police that he had the equipment under the trailer during the night and drove off early in the morning, leaving them in the park.

They could not be found later.

Islands schools good for expansion in most areas

Summary of school accommodation outlined last week at the board meeting of Gulf Islands School District revealed a wide margin of expansion on most islands.

Long-term budget planning required by the ministry of education had included an analysis of present facilities and the extent of their use.

Galiano School is rated at 60 students and at present accommodates 51.

There is more room for growth at Mayne Island. Accommodation exists for 52 elementary students and 50 secondary grade students. Present enrolment is 58, with new registrations bringing the figure a little higher. It leaves accommodation for another 40 pupils.

Pender has accommodation for 144, with 50 kindergarten places.

of which 11 are filled; 64 elementary desks and 30 secondary. The two latter levels have enrolment of 61. The school, with 72 students, is half full.

Saturna has room for 60 and accommodates 29.

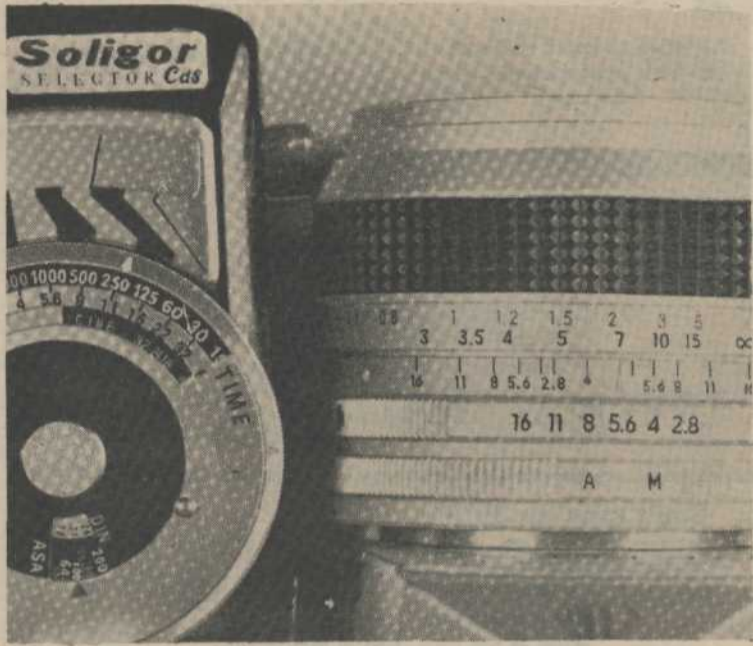
IT'S TIGHTER!

At Salt Spring the situation is tighter.

Salt Spring Elementary School has accommodation for 50 kindergarten pupils and 335 elementary. Present enrolment is 37 kindergarten and 305 elementary students.

Fernwood is far from full. With accommodation for 50 kindergarten and 160 elementary desks, it has an enrolment of 17 kindergarten and 103 elementary.

Gulf Islands Secondary School has some room to move, with an enrolment of 360 against accommodation for 588.



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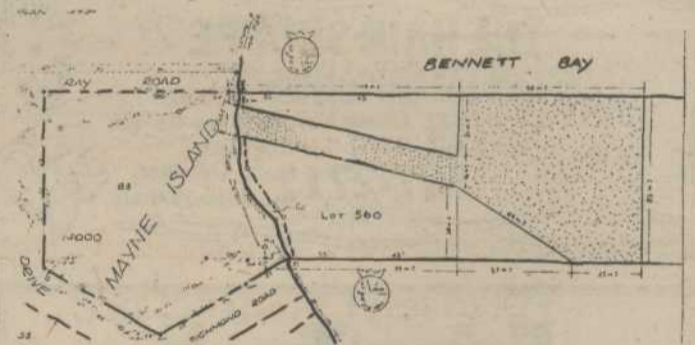
Notice is hereby given that all person who deem their interest in property affected by the following proposed By-law will be afforded an opportunity to be heard on the matters contained therein at a Public Hearing to be held in the Agricultural Hall, Mayne Island, on SATURDAY, September 30, 1978, commencing at 10.00 a.m.

Proposed Mayne Island Trust Committee By-law No. 9, (being Amendment By-law No. 3, 1978), is a By-law to amend Capital Regional District By-law No. 103, 1972.

Capital Regional District By-law No. 103, cited as "Zoning By-law, Planning Area No. 4, 1972", is amended as follows: By changing the zoning classification of Part of Lot 560, Mayne Island, Cowichan District, shaded on Plan No. 1, which forms part of the proposed By-law, from Water A Zone to Water B Zone.

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PLAN NO. 1



Copies of the proposed By-law may be reviewed at the Post Office, Mayne Island, during normal working hours of 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday inclusive. The proposed By-law may also be reviewed at the Islands Trust Office, 4th Floor, St. Ann's Academy, 835 Humboldt Street, Victoria, B.C. during normal working hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive.

M. Lee
 Administrative Officer 38-1

NOTICE OF MEETING Mayne Island

There will be a meeting of the Mayne Island Trust Committee to consider various items of business concerning Mayne Island at the conclusion of the Public Hearing on September 30, 1978, in the Agricultural Hall, Mayne Island.

M. Lee
 Administrative Officer 38-1

What's happening at Salt Spring Elementary?

Things are well under way at Salt Spring Elementary as September draws to a close.

A new house system, comprised of three teams of Salt Spring Elementary - the Colts, Mustangs, and Stallions, and one from Fernwood, the Broncos, are playing mini-soccer.

Students will be tested bi-monthly for the remainder of the year, with different awards being made for certain levels of achievement.

TEACHER POET

In teacher news, Mr. Lawrence, the grade 2 teacher, has just had a book of poetry published by McLel-

Hickman; Grade 6, Michael Lee, Lise Boesgaard; Grade 7, Phil Kitchen, Alison Albhouse.

COMING UP

Modified Golf Tournament.
The Great Pumpkin Fun Run.
Teacher-student soccer.



Bicycle gymkhana is popular!

Last week students from all houses took part in a bicycle gymkhana and next week a modified golf tournament is being planned.

School teams have been formed for grass hockey and soccer and several matches against off-island teams are being planned. In addition, a cross-country running club has been organized, and members of the team are planning to enter the B.C. Elementary Cross-Country Championships in Vancouver early in November.

FITNESS TESTS

Fitness Testing has nearly been completed for all intermediate students. This involves being evaluated in several areas, particularly arm and leg strength, speed and control, and endurance.

land and Stewart. This book will soon be available in the stores. Mr. Jukes, the grade 6-7 teacher has been invited to give several demonstrations at the B.C. Intramural Conference to be held in Delta in early October.

HOUSE NEWS

Games: week of September 25-29, Mustangs vs Stallions; Broncos vs Colts.

Winners of the bicycle gymkhana were:

Grade 1, John Quesnel, Vivian Prentice.

Grade 2, Dwayne Dua, Sarah Jang;

Grade 3, Sean Spear, Angela Donnelly;

Grade 4, Darrel Windsor, Lillian Gauthier, Penny Jones.

Grade 5, Todd Chase, Jill

SCHOOL NEWS

Mr. Lawrence has published a book of poetry.

School soccer for boys began on Sept. 25.

Cross country meeting will be held on Monday, Sept. 25. B.C. Elementary.

Cross Country Championships are four weeks away.

Some of the coming events at Salt Spring Elementary School are:

Bastion Theatre presentation October 6 of Tolkien's tale "There and Back Again."

Raincoast Puppet Theatre will visit in November.

Trip for the Grade Sevens to visit Seattle to see the King Tutankhamen Exhibit on October 23. They will also take in the Science Fair in Seattle.



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Would change be fair?

Another look at Agricultural Land Reserves

The views and opinions expressed in this summary of land reserves are those of the reader and do not reflect the opinion of this newspaper.

BY GEORGE JESSUP

Your editorial of Wednesday, September 13, 1978 in which you commended the Islands Trust and incidentally the B.C. Land Commission on their recommendation that land within the Agricultural Land Reserve be taxed on the same basis as actively farmed land is based on erroneous assumptions.

Editorial opinion is your prerogative as editor of Driftwood, but editorial comment carries a responsibility to the readers and opinions should not be expressed on matters such as the Agricultural Land Reserve lands unless full research into the facts of the taxation of such lands have been

made.

You choose to accept Marc Holmes statement that these lands are taxed too high. He was also reported in your newspaper as saying that high taxation leads to more subdivision. If he was referring to Agricultural Land Reserve lands, obviously that statement is misleading since Agricultural Land Reserve lands cannot be subdivided.

TAXED NO HIGHER

The facts are Agricultural Land Reserve lands are not taxed any higher than any other lands (except those that are actively farmed). They are taxed (as is your own land) on 15% of their actual value. What is unfair about that? How does the legislation "emasculate" the land. All land, whether an Agriculture Land Reserve designation or not, has restrictions in some form or another.

Subdivision zoning such as there was in 1969 with a ten acre freeze also restricted the land. Your own land is zoned residential and thereby restricted. You cannot use it for commercial purposes, this thereby restricts your use and affects its value.

The implementation of the Agricultural Land Reserve generated a whole flood of hysterical statements by normally responsible people who should have known better. The only real problem with the Agricultural Land Reserve is its name. If the Government had used the term Agricultural Zoning, I believe it would have received wider acceptance.

Now to the implication of Mr. Holmes, Mr. Runka and your proposal.

INCREASE VALUE

First to reduce assessment and taxation to the level of actively farmed lands would immediately increase the value and market price of those lands since people would pay a premium for those lands in order to enjoy future benefits of lower taxation.

Agriculture Land Reserve lands would increase in price, whereby genuine farmers would not be able to afford those lands. They can only pay a price subject to the return they can get from the crops they grow.

The absurdity of the proposal becomes apparent if you look at actual cases, in one subdivision (these are factual) there are six lots, three are slightly under two acres, i.e. 1.98 acres, the other three are slightly over 2 acres; 2.03, 2.04, 2.01. The area is in an Agricultural Land Reserve area consequently the three parcels over 2 acres in the Agriculture Land Reserve, the other three are not since the minimum for inclusion in the Agriculture Land Reserve is two acres. The present value of those lots is \$22,000; they are all taxed on 15% of that value; therefore the tax is $\$22,000 \times 15\% = \$3,300 \times 90 \text{ mills} = \297 .

FAIR AND EQUITABLE

They all pay the same general tax; school tax, fire protection tax, community centre tax, hospital and library tax; fair and equitable taxation. Yet Holmes, Runka and now Richards wish to change that to the following:

Agriculture Land Reserve land not being actively farmed to be taxed on the basis of active farms, therefore first they would have to be assessed in the same way, etc. these parcels mentioned above would be valued at the value for farm purposes only i.e. \$2,000 per acre actual value so we would have $2 \text{ acres} \times \$2,000 = \$4,000 \times 15\% = \$600$ taxable.

Now, farms only pay 5 mills general tax in this area, they also have a maximum exemption on land of \$1,000 for school tax, therefore the land would in this

case pay no school tax and the total tax would be

$\$600 \times 36 \text{ mills} = \21.60
ABSURDLY APPARENT

The taxes are reduced from \$297 to \$21.60, the absurdity then becomes apparent. Three owners pay \$297 on their property worth \$22,000 while the other three pay \$21.60 on their property also worth \$22,000.

These six properties all have houses on them and there is no logical reason why three of them should not pay their fair share of school, hospital, regional, fire, recreation and library tax. (This situation occurs in varying forms throughout the province.)

One other point to consider is this; a subdivision bylaw is in effect in this area (as it is in many other areas), the bylaw does not permit subdivision of less than two acres and even if the Agriculture Land Reserve designation was removed, there would be absolutely no effect on those three Agriculture Land Reserve properties.

A restriction would still appear. In some areas of the province the bylaws stipulate 3 acre minimum and in other, 10 acre minimum; therefore even if you had a 19 acre parcel and were able to have the Agriculture Land Reserve designation removed, you would still in the case of the 10 acre minimum not be able to subdivide the 19 acre parcel.

WHAT HAPPENS THEN?

The major problem and one which concerns me most is this. What would happen to the difference in taxes they normally pay and the taxes they would pay as farm tax.

Everyone who espouses the cause of the Agriculture Land Reserve lands farm tax must be under the impression that these taxes would vanish into thin air.

They would not of course, the neighbours would have to pick up the share of the school, regional, etc., taxes. If these Agriculture Land Reserve lands receive that reduction, the budgets would still have to be met and the result would be higher mill rates for the urban and small lot dwellers.

What Runks, Holmes and yourself are asking is that these owners of Agriculture Land Reserve lands be subsidized by the urban or rural small lot owner.

The facts are no one person owning Agriculture Land Reserve land has suffered a loss in value since the institution of the legislation, all lands (ALR included) have increased in value since that date.

If and it is a big if, (since this mainly applies to ALR lands close to urban areas) an Agriculture parcel does not have as high an actual or market value (by reason of restriction) as another parcel not in the Agriculture land Reserve, then that difference will be apparent in the actual or market value and thereby assessed lower and thereby taxed lower. There is, contrary to belief, no discriminatory taxation on Agriculture Land Reserve Lands.

RURAL WAY

Facts now show that a large number of people are buying Agriculture Land Reserve lands as a rural way of life, and are secure in the knowledge that they will not now be subject to indiscriminate subdivision encroachment on nearby properties.

There is concern over property taxes and Proposition 13 in California caused some soul searching here in B.C. However, in California, a \$50,000 property was paying approximately 3% in taxes or \$1,500, while here in B.C. after the home owner grant is taken off, a \$50,000 property is paying approximately 1% or \$500 and if you are an old age pensioner, then its closer to half of 1%.

Lower property taxes cannot be achieved by manipulating assessments thereby causing inequity of taxes between urban and rural dwellers.

I trust I have enlightened some of your readers and perhaps even yourself.

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Don't ever touch a fallen electric line! If your car strikes a pole and brings down wires, stay in the car! If you see a vehicle which has brought down lines, call for help but don't go near!

That was the message from B.C. Hydro last week when Salt Spring Island firemen were introduced to a safety film brought to BC from Ontario.

The film is prepared specifically for firemen, police and other emergency services. It is intended to remind firemen and policemen to call for help when hot wires are lying around.

And every wire could be hot. The short show illustrated a car driven at an excessive speed into a hydro pole and the electric wire sparking against it as they swung above the wreckage.

Firemen were shown how the Hydro crews handle the situation.

Before the wires had been isolated there was no attempt to enter the car. High voltage lines touching the car are waiting for a link to ground. The body of the first person to touch is the path to ground for that current.

BOTH ARE HAZARDOUS

Speaking to the film, John Thomson, BC Hydro manager in the Islands, explained that the wire hanging after any kind of accident is either primary or secondary. Primary lines carry high voltages. Secondary lines serve the immediate community and are powered up to about 250 volts. Both are extremely hazardous when an accident brings them down.

Never get close to a downed electric wire, he urged.

When a person is lying in contact with an electric wire, rescuers must not touch him without first moving him clear of the power line. If he lies on it, he must be dragged, by insulated pole or rope, clear of the offending wire. The rescue team should immediately place a heavy, insulated

object such as a ladder, on the line to prevent it dragging or jumping away.

If the line is on top of the victim he must, again, be drawn clear and the line secured.

Electricity is a valuable tool, explained the film. It is also an extremely dangerous enemy when it is not contained within its conductors.

DON'T TOUCH!

The showing and Thomson's remarks were devoted to one message: Don't touch, don't take action unless you know exactly what must be done. The people who know are Hydro crews. If there's a line down, call Hydro and stay in the house until they come!

The worst news a Hydro crew gets is that "Father is outside moving the electric wires", said the Hydro spokesman. It may well be the last thing Father ever does.

If the accident is on the Outer Islands and a vehicle is involved, don't get close, talk to the occupants, but make them stay in the car even if they are hurt. They must wait for the only authority in

the islands on downed wires, the BC Hydro linesmen.

Thomson also spoke of the hazard of emergency lighting sets. The Hydro manager referred to the possible danger of a small emergency generator.

STAND-BY SETS

In the Gulf Islands, he said, there are a number of privately owned stand-by generating units. Unless these are properly installed, with the approved isolating switches, they can be a source of danger to men working on Hydro lines.

Any customer who has a stand-

by unit is urged to call BC Hydro at Ganges, collect, said Thomson, later.

"With the improved service conditions, stand-by units are not really required," he suggested. If they are installed, the BC Hydro and the electrical inspector must be informed.

The message of the evening was caution. And the firemen got the message.

But it is a message to every resident.

Don't guess! Don't be a hero! Don't touch!

Taxpayers pay for school roof

When the roof of the Gulf Islands Secondary School caught fire earlier in the year, the burden of cost was placed on the community.

The provincial government has eliminated insurance on schools because of the burden on the provincially-owned Insurance Corporation of British Columbia.

Repairs have been carried out at the expense of the school district. The ministry of education will pay half the cost and the remainder must be paid by the taxpayers, it was noted at last week's meeting of the Gulf Island School Board.

Crown presentation was still not ready, reported Anthony.

The Crown reply will be submitted in Victoria Provincial Court on

October 2, ruled Judge. D.K. McAdam.

Double jeopardy plea not settled

Defence plea of double jeopardy was offered last month by Victoria lawyer Nick Lott in a driving case at Ganges. The case has not yet been concluded.

Evidence of impaired driving against Derek Sowden was not challenged at the earlier hearing in August. Lott argued, however, that his client had been subjected to one punishment at the time of the

offence. Police had suspended his license for 24 hours.

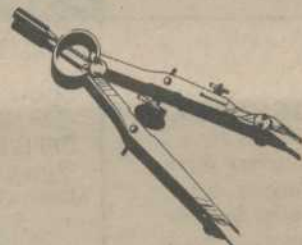
The subsequent charge of high blood-alcohol count represented a second charge on the same offence, contended Lott.

Crown Counsel Richard Anthony had asked for time to prepare his answer.

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Mrs. Dorothy Fanning carried off the Scott and Peden trophy for best bloom in the Salt Spring Island Chrysanthemum Society annual show in Mahon Hall on Saturday.

I would like to add to the bouquet to our postman, Mr. W. Hele. If ever a man deserved a citation that man is Mr. Hele. At Christmas time we have known him to arrive at our mail box at 4.30 am and still back on the job at the usual time next day. We have good reason to be proud of our rural postman: (Mrs.) A.T. Ryan.

TEN YEARS AGO

BC Ferries collect their garbage in green bags. When green garbage bags were seen bobbing on the ocean waves, critics saw red. BC Ferries collected a sample to establish which ship had cast them into the sea. They found somebody else's rubbish. There had been a sale on green garbage bags in a number of provincial stores. BC Ferries were off the hook.

Gulf Islands Joint Council has asked the provincial government to restrict all residential subdivisions to a minimum lot size of one acre. Motion was offered by J.A. Clarke, of Galiano and seconded by W.W. Hunt-Sow-

rey of Mayne Island. Ralph Sketch advocated a meeting with the government to consider alternatives to the proposal. F.W. Kirkham, of Salt Spring, outlined the campaign against the discharge of raw sewage into Trincomali Channel. Pollution is a problem which "is bothering us all," said John Rainsford, from the chair, "What we need most is to learn all about."

Fulford artist Carol Southward took a first prize at Cowichan Exhibition for her weaving; two seconds for pottery and fourth prize for her block print hanging.

Rev. Kevin Wiseman has been named parish priest of the Roman Catholic parish on Salt Spring Island. A Yorkshireman, he has spent many years in Africa.

Gulf islander whom everyone loves to see is Nellie Georgeson. She has been visiting Connie Swartz at South Pender. She has been staying with Mrs. May Georgeson at North Pender and will be going to Art and Joan Ralph at Saturna.

New Shale Plant at Saturna has a new dock at Lyall Harbour. It's made of cement and it floats. And it was towed to Saturna by a tug made of cement.

Thanksgiving dinner of the Galiano Club will feature Jack James as guest speaker. The Salt Spring agriculturist.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Kelly Hanke has been named Fire Chief on Salt Spring Island. Veteran of the Vancouver Fire Department, Hanke takes over from David Smith who resigned several weeks ago.

Restrictions on subdivisions among the Gulf Islands is one of the main recommendations of the Select Committee on Municipal Affairs which has just filed its report in Victoria. Top proposal is the establishment of an Islands Trust to exert a tight control over the hoarding and development of islands land. Committee was unanimous, according to Hugh Curtis, MLA.

Mrs. Mary Olivia Mouat died in her sleep at her home in Ganges on September 22. She was in her 92nd year. Mrs. Mouat was predeceased by her husband, Thomas W. Mouat.

Mrs. Mickey Jones and son, Sidney, of Ganges, have returned from a four and half week holiday visiting the Channel Isles, Essex and London, England.

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Cry of abandoned child in BC heard above wail of thousands in Brazil

BY MARY WILLIAMSON

The baby found in New Westminster last week made front page news.

Thank God it did!

Thank God we live in a country where abandoned babies are front page news! I lived many years in a part of London where a live, abandoned newborn rated slightly less coverage in a local paper than an abandoned corpse, also found by children.

Can you imagine living in a country where, in one city, every month, more than 100 children under three years of age are abandoned by their destitute parents? Where bands of children survive by prostitution and all kinds of petty crime? Where gangs of children are used by the police, who profit from their thievery?

This conjures up a picture of the Far East, perhaps, where millions are hungry, and where the economy will not support the starving population.

However, according to "Time" magazine, this scandalous situation exists in Brazil, where, since 1969, economic growth has been

spectacular: where industrialization has ensured a "heady" standard of living for the thriving middle class.

The upper class in Latin America has always enjoyed a fantastically high standard of living, comparable only to that in South Africa, where professional and

More Food for Thought

upper-class whites live in almost feudal splendour.

HOME TO CHILDREN

So, while executives travel in flashy cars, and their wives lounge on the fashionable beaches, the streets and sands are home to thousands of homeless, starving children.

More than two million children have been abandoned by their parents. Please read that sentence again. More than two million children have been abandoned by their parents.

"Another 14 million children live in such abject poverty that abandonment almost seems preferable. These 16 million people, one-third of Brazil's youth, are growing up in circumstances so deprived that they are unlikely ever to play a useful role in modern society."

Congratulations to Time magazine! They have finally caught up with the World Development Education and Relief publicists who have been pounding away at this theme for years. Out of privation comes revolution, and not necessarily responsible or constructive revolution at that.

How can people who have grown up under these dire conditions do anything but abuse any freedom they may achieve: through force, of course. What other means are open to them?

WHO SPEAKS FOR THEM?

Hopefully, in some cases, the church. Then, of course the church is vilified by the establishment, which cannot forgive what it considers the treason of a body so long identified with itself. But where the church is concerned with social action, it does what it can. Too

Mayne Lions keep smiling



When Lions staged their recent boat-in at Mayne the rain didn't

deter them. They kept smiling as this picture by Bill Best shows.

often, what it can do is negligible in the face of government unconcern.

Our labour organizations can talk to management on an even keel, both sides are educated and can, if they wish, speak each other's language. Who will speak for the destitute; here and in Latin America?

Will you?

This is not a political column, in

the narrow 'party' political sense. But I cannot resist quoting Paul Fox, political scientist, who, in 1955 said: "The.....government aims at operating noiselessly, like a respectable mammoth business operation which fears nothing more than making people aware that it is there. The shadows flit silently along the wall, as in Plato's cave, and the citizen is never sufficiently disturbed to turn his head."

Two rooms are target on Galiano for Green Woods

Galiano Ladies' Service Club began its fall season on Monday, Sept. 17, with two major goals. First, current progress was reported on their drive to raise \$1,000 towards the cost of furnishing a room in Green Woods, the new Intermediate and Personal Care Home at Ganges.

Up to date, \$623 had been raised by individual contributions, so last Monday the service club decided to raise the amount to the full \$1,000 from group funds, and despatch forthwith the \$1,000 cheque to Ganges.

As Galiano Senior Citizens had donated \$300 with the hope of encouraging other Galiano groups to share, in raising \$1,000 for another Galiano Green Woods room, Vice-President Peggy Chunn volunteered to contact all other Galiano organizations inviting

them to join the Drive.

Individual contributions to Green Woods may be pledged or collected by phoning the Executive 539-5702, 539-2476, 539-2683, 539-2374, or contacting any Ladies Service Club member.

Choosing a pet

Birds are all feathery
With round beady eyes,
Lizards look leathery,
And eat only flies.

Cats are too furry,
They screech and spit acid,
Dogs seem to worry,
But goldfish are placid.

- John Healey

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STURDIES BAY, GALIANO ISLAND

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