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Voters' list

There is still a chance!

There are still island residents who are uncertain of how to make sure they can vote.

If a resident is a Canadian, or a British subject; if he has lived in Canada for 12 months and in BC for six months and on the islands for three months; is over 19 years of age and believes he should be entitled to vote, then the odds are he can.

If his name is not on the voters' list he may ask the person in charge of the poll for a form permitting him to vote.

If there remains any problem, he may call Returning Officer Jean Vodden at 537-5548, collect, to further explain his case.

Procedure is the same for all three areas of balloting, School Board, Islands Trust and Regional Board.

Veterans lead parade at Ganges on Saturday



Legionnaires lead the parade as Remembrance Day ceremonies are over at Ganges on Saturday.

Trustees to present brief to McGeer

Education Minister Pat McGeer will be asked to designate a time when he will meet with a delegation from the Gulf Islands School District.

The delegation, trustee Spencer Marr told the school board last Thursday, will present a brief on equalization taxes to the minister.

Engineer to work on Pender alarm system

Gulf Islands School District secretary-treasurer Wilf Peck told the school board last week that an engineer from ICBC would be on Pender Island Nov. 15.

The engineer is being sent to the island by the Insurance Corporation of B.C. in an effort to sort out problems with the intruder alarm system at the Pender School.

Supreme Court decision on validity of Ganges sewer still to come

Judicial review of the Ganges sewer project will be before the Supreme Court shortly.

When the Supreme Court refused an interlocutory injunction to stop the expenditure of \$376,000 on plans and studies for the Ganges sewer proposal in October, the decision did not close the issue.

Challenge to the sewer plan is still before the Supreme Court and will be considered in the near future, reports Yvette Valcourt.

The October decision concerned the injunction only. The forthcoming case will enquire into the manner in which the decision was reached to install the system.

"Basis of the court action,"

Mrs. Valcourt told Driftwood this week, "is whether the Capital Regional District acted under the influence of an inaccurate petition and report purporting to indicate the required percentage of assent to the expenditure.

"In the final analysis, the decision of whether the Ganges sewer, paid for by the electors will or will not be installed without their consent has not yet been resolved."

Mrs. Valcourt was protesting a report in Driftwood of October 14, when the denial of the injunction was reported as the close of the entire case.

He's been driving 60 years

Henry Adshead has entered the drivers' licence numbers sweepstakes.

Adshead, who has been driving since 1918, came into Driftwood's office last week to show his licence number.

Adshead's number is listed as 0069233. Can anyone beat it?

Transmitter stolen from unlocked car

A mobile transmitter was stolen last Thursday night from an unlocked car owned by Doug Dane of Fulford.

The transmitter was valued at \$350.

Brilliant morning for service at various places on Saturday

It was brilliantly sunny and the crisp air was almost without a breeze on Saturday. Islanders assembled at various centres to pay tribute to the war dead.

On Salt Spring Island the Royal Canadian Legionnaires marched from the Legion Hall to the Centennial Park to take part in a formal ceremony. They were accompanied by youngsters in various youth groups.

In charge of the parade was Peter Bingham.

Clergy of four denominations took part in the service, Peter McCalman, Vern McEachern, P.A. Bergin and S.F. Hildebrandt.

Two RCM Police officers in dress uniform stood at the cairn during the ceremony.

Following the brief service, wreaths were laid by the donors or by Cubs and others on behalf of the donors.

The parade moved off at about 11.30 am.

A gathering followed in the Legion Hall, in Ganges.

Stolen hubcaps

Wilf Taylor of Robinson Road lost about \$100 worth of hubcaps when he parked his car at the parking lot at Vesuvius Bay Nov. 8.

SEWERS TO TAXES

Election meeting at Ganges hears all 12

You name it, they covered it. Twelve of the 13 candidates running for Salt Spring Island representation on various governmental bodies discussed everything from equalization taxes to sewer schemes at last Thursday's all-candidates meeting.

An estimated 175 people turned out for the 2½ hour session, held at the elementary school activity centre, to hear candidates for Gulf Islands School Board, Capital Regional District and Islands Trust voice their views.

Four of the five nominees contesting the two Salt Spring Island seats on the board of the Gulf Islands School District appeared for the meeting. Missing was former trustee Charles Baltzer, who was at a BC Tel conference in Victoria.

CHIPMAN

Chip Chipman told those in the crowded facility that his main objective if elected to the board would be to work for more communication between the various educational agencies and parents.

"I would like to see the communication changed a little bit," Chipman said. "I'd like to see the board communicate more with the teachers, and the teachers communicate more with the board. I'd like to see people come in and see what's going on with the board."

Chipman stressed that he felt the board should do more in the way of public relations work, and that it should encourage feedback from all sectors of the community.

He also outlined briefly his

concerns over such problems as funding, the equalization tax and transportation in the district.

TESSMAN

Fred Tessman told the meeting he had "no intention of promising anything, but I'll do the best I can."

He expressed concern over what he termed "frills" in the education system pointing out that "we have a basic education program designed to fit the majority of schools in the province."

Asked later what he termed as

"frills," Tessman referred to the fact that there are two teachers to offer instruction at the alternate class, which has only 34 students.

"I don't see, myself, where people have to have such a thing as an alternate program when we've got a perfectly good high school and a perfectly good elementary school," Tessman told the meeting.

WILLIAMSON

Mary Williamson told the meeting that she felt that the Gulf

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Pensioners raise over \$800 at bazaar in Central Hall

Salt Spring Island Old Age Pensioners Branch held a bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 4 in Central Hall even though we had a much larger Hall.

The place was crowded when Bevis Walters opened the affair at 2 pm.

He explained how the Branch would have choice of the hall at any time and a safe place to keep equipment and valuables.

The stalls were crowded with good things to eat, fancy work, knitting and dolls, toys and flowers and vegetables. The hall was nicely decorated, thanks to Mrs. Betty Bridgen.

Attending the door were Walter Bridgen, and D. McRoberts; fancy work, Mrs. Bridgen and Mrs. Jensen; fancy work, toys and dolls, Mrs. Eva St. Onge, Mrs. Mabel Holtby and Mrs. McRoberts; White Elephant, Mrs. Purser and Mrs. Claibourne; flowers and vegetables, W. Clarke, Mrs. Maybee

and Margaret Cunningham; draw tickets, Mrs. Mabel Clark, Miss J. Overend and Mrs. Bob Foulis, bake table, Mrs. Vicki Griffin, Mrs. A. Code, Mrs. Jameski and Mrs. J. Sayer; books and reading, Mrs. Ledger; tea room, Mrs. S. Seaward, Mrs. M. Holtby, Mrs. Connie Ramsay, Girl Guides and Brownies.

Please accept our apologies to those who were not able to get their cup of tea. I'm sure our girls worked very hard to assist the crowd.

The Affair raised well over \$800 and our thanks to everyone.

Draw prizes were won by the following: 1, J. Davidson; 2, S. Lee; 3, K. Taylor; 4, M. Lomas; 5, G. Govenlock; 6, D. Dorval.

Our next meeting, on Thursday, Nov. 23, will include the election of officers. Members are asked to attend at 2 pm. Memberships are now due.

Galiano parents push for covered play area

The school board has received a recommendation from secretary-treasurer Wilf Peck that the construction of a covered play area for the Galiano School be given high priority in the 1979 budget. Peck also suggested that \$200 could be included in the district's operating budget to cover the costs of planning the facility.

The recommendations came following receipt of a letter from the Galiano Parents' Group, which has notified the board it would be willing to supply volunteer labour and local supplies to construct the play area. The parents currently have \$1,000 in hand, and expect to have \$2,500 by next spring.

The Galiano School is the only one within the school district to have neither a covered play area or a gymnasium.

Who gets top job?

* * *
Caller is disturbed at prospect

BY DRIFTWOOD

He phoned the office last week. Who will be seeking election from the islands on Saturday, he enquired, and competing for the office of general trustee?

What did the islands candidates stand for?

Islands general trustees have been too scared of losing their well-paid jobs to take a firm stand on anything, he informed me.

He is a stranger: a casual caller from the mainland seeking to line up the picture when local trustees name their three senior trustees on December 2.

I hadn't observed any great fear on the part of the Islands Trust, I suggested.

They don't want to rock the boat, he explained.

I had attended many Trust meetings I added, and I had not observed this sense of caution in the deliberations.

He had attended none, but that is the way he expected them to act.

He wanted a reasonable approach to the provision of services among the islands and if the elected general trustees should prove to be hard-nosed conservationists, then he would never get those services.

I urged to keep happy. As soon as any island needs a service, it gets it, I assured him.

It had to have the population first, he insisted and conservation does not invite population increases.

Were the islands candidates likely to favour conservation or development, he enquired.

When a questionnaire was circulated on some of the islands the majority favoured a retention of conditions as they are, I reminded him. It was a big majority, at that!

Probably all the people living on their half-acre lots out-voting the property owners, he retorted bitterly.

Had he ever seen the Gulf Islands? No, but he had property on Bowen Island.

That man was one sad islander. But I think he was only a part-time resident. I just hope he's happy the rest of the time! Probably spends it looking for their half-acre lots.

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FOR REGIONAL DIRECTOR



The detailed work of engineering the sewer scheme will follow completion of H.A. Simons studies due on Dec. 31. If elected I will pursue the following, based on my thirty five years experience in construction and civil engineering.

- 1) Cost-benefit studies, in respect of the quality of treatment versus outfall.
- 2) Detailed cost estimates of the various phases of the work.
- 3) An early commitment that the work will be contracted out in such form that local contractors and tradesmen will be able to compete on equal terms with off-island forces.
- 4) I will do my best to assure that every dollar is spent wisely.

CLEMENT, Victor Herbert [MIKE] X

Crafts Faire preview promises great things

There has been some misunderstanding regarding the Friday evening special preview of the Christmas Crafts Faire. It will indeed be a preview in the sense that it will give you the very first opportunity to see all the good things which will be on sale, but it will also be a chance to buy some of your early Christmas presents.

The plans for the wine and cheese party are well under way, and the concert by the Salt Spring Recorder Group. Admission will be charged on Friday night, as there will be such special entertainment as well as the goods for sale. But there are few places where \$2.50 can buy so much!

For another 50c donation to the Community and Family Centre, your children will be looked after if you decide to take them with you for an evening out.

It is hoped that a free shuttle service will be provided between the K & R parking lot and the Centre, to eliminate parking problems.

For any further details don't hesitate to call the Community Centre or the Family Centre. They will be glad to tell you what you want to know and to accept any donations you may feel moved to make.

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This poem was written by J.B. MacIntosh of Vancouver, for an Island friend. The islander would like to share it with any Salt Spring Islanders reaching the "magic age" this time of year.

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TO BE FRANK . . .

by richards

I'm hog-fat on Hallowe'en candies. I admit it. We are still eating them for dessert on the evenings we didn't have a dessert and that's every night. It was just we only had one gang of hobgoblins on Hallowe'en. We doled out small quantities of largesse and waited. But nobody came. I didn't think about it very much until the other morning I saw our large dog licking his lips. And it wasn't just the way he licked. He put his head on one side and winked at me. And for the first time I lost trust in him. Could it be just possible that he could have eaten our youthful visitors? It would explain the surplus of candies and the odd look on the dog's face. I hope there is nobody in the Ganges area who has lost a small boy. If anyone has been missing one since Hallowe'en, I'm almost scared to ask!

Of course there was no freight service on Monday. It was the Remembrance Week holiday!

There were six can-can dancers. But only three showed up on Sunday to have their pictures taken. The other three were not available to get into costume. Which meant we lost three in the dressing room. Then the picture was taken and only two of the three were on the frame. Which meant we lost one in the dark room. No wonder there were shrieks when the can-can first came in! It's a pretty hazardous business!

There is a tragedy to being unimportant. You look at the news on television and you learn that the election is on November 15 and you hear every candidate for the Vancouver city council. You listen to the CBC news and you hear from the candidates for the Vancouver city council and you are exhorted to cast your ballot on November 15. Then you switch it off and look for the November 18 election. And you wonder whether North Vancouver and West Vancouver and Burnaby and Coquitlam and all the rest of the municipal ties on the mainland are going to have an election this year. You can understand people in Victoria wanting their own station. At least they might get the election dates squared away! It's only the broadcasters who know that Vancouver is out of step with the rest of the province and even has its own voting day.

It's a dog's life. Schooner,

that's the dog, was barking at a deer the other night. And the deer got kind of hoity-toity. Who you barking at, he enquired. Schooner explained that he was barking at deer: all deer: on principle. What for? The little pup...he weighs about 150 lbs. . . was puzzled. He barks to keep them off his property, he explained carefully. The deer was scornful. Your property indeed? How long have you been on the island? The dog can't count so good, but he figured it out to about four years. And where were you before that? He thought he was in California. And how did you get here? He flew. The deer looked at him in scorn. First time he sees a dog flying he'll dig a hole in the ground to hide. My family has been here for generations, he told the dog, coldly. Just keep your big mouth shut until you've been here as long as I have! Odd thing is that the dog still barks at deer. Or maybe I dreamt it all!

Enrolment up by two

An enrollment report tabled at last Thursday's school board meeting reveals that the overall total enrollment for the Gulf Islands School District is up by two over the same period last year.

Kindergarten enrollments at the end of October totalled 59 on Salt Spring and 87 for the entire district. Elementary students on Salt Spring totalled 398, while there was a total of 564 throughout the district.

Secondary enrollments on Salt Spring tallied up to 358 by the end of October, with a total of 391 scattered throughout the Gulf Islands School District.

The total number of students enrolled at schools on Salt Spring added up to 815, with a tally of 1,042 enrolled in all schools in the district. At the end of October, 1977 the total enrollment for the district was 1,040.

Learning through play



The Salt Spring Island Co-operative Nursery School is a school organization, a club of sorts, where three and four-year-olds can get together with their peers to socialize, play and learn from each other with trained supervision.

The "school" has recently completed the unique playground.

It provides field trips and many indoor activities such as finger painting, drawing, music and toy play in a relaxed, friendly setting.

Parents of a three or four-year-old who is missing out on this experience may call the Community Centre or come and see it any morning.

Recreation Commission set for coming annual meeting

The Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission will hold its annual general meeting on November 27 at 8 pm in the Salt Spring Elementary School Library.

Reports, elections and new business will be on the agenda.

The Commission is patented under the Capital Regional District and is made up of 10 elected members from Salt Spring, plus the Regional Director.

Meetings are held the last Monday of every month and all commission members carry out their duties at no cost to the taxpayers, as no wages, honorariums or expenses are claimed by the working members.

A chairman is elected by the members and several sub-committees are formed to enable business to proceed smoothly.

MAJOR TASKS

The major tasks of the Commission are to maintain and improve Portlock Park, Centennial Park, Peter Arnell Park and Fulford Playing Field; to help financially, and in spirit, all groups providing recreation for the people of Salt Spring; to provide a suitable plan

for the orderly development of recreation on Salt Spring, and to ensure that maintenance and development are done in an economical fashion.

In carrying out these objectives many Commission members give freely of their time during the year, and the regular monthly meeting is but a small part of their total duties.

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Election campaigns

There were never so many! The candidates for Saturday's elections have never been so numerous in the history of the islands.

The candidates in all the islands have been preening their feathers as they have paraded in front of the electorate, seeking to catch the attention of the man who matters, or the one who votes.

Despite the large number of entries, the campaign has been very quiet and very orderly. Its conduct has been a credit to the candidates seeking the 15 empty islands seats. The rest is up to island residents. Every islander with an opinion of his own should be at the polls on Saturday.

And there is no other kind of islander!

Priorities

When a member of Driftwood staff sailed by taxpayer-financed BC Ferries from Vancouver to Swartz Bay on Sunday, she lost almost all she possessed.

Obedying the limited instructions at Tsawwassen, she placed her baggage in the racks provided. When she sought her weighty burden at Swartz Bay, she was informed that it had gone to the Bus Depot in Victoria.

She was also informed that it was a common practice, as the signs were not clear enough at Tsawwassen.

She did not burst into light laughter. She muttered several oaths under her breath and cursed a government ferry service that can spend thousands of dollars of taxpayers' money telling how much of that money is paid to operate the ferries and then runs out of money to put up useful, informative signs.

It's high time the province got its priorities straight!

We did not remember!

We did not remember them.

On Saturday the quiet dignity of the Salt Spring Island Remembrance Day ceremonies was marred by the roar of traffic eager to go shopping at the few stores open. Those taking part in the morning ceremony at Centennial Park, in Ganges, were constantly reminded of the large number of noisy vehicles on Salt Spring Island.

Nobody is under obligation to observe the formalities of the day. Compulsion would insult the memory of those whose death led to the ceremony.

One day, Remembrance Day will die. It cannot go on forever. Yet, as long as there remain veterans of the world's wars and as long as there survive the families of those who served, November 11 will have a significance.

The people who don't know what it's all about or who couldn't care less are perfectly justified in ignoring the event. They might, however, bear in mind two small thoughts.

Had there been nobody to die for his country, the hungry islanders might have been denied the privilege of going shopping on Saturday.

The second thought is that even if a resident feels that Remembrance is for the birds, it would be more courteous to let those who do observe Remembrance to do so without the roar and scream of traffic.

There is nothing improper in paying no attention to such things as war and death. But the disinterested could pay heed to the living who are gathered for such a ceremony as Saturday's.

Letters to the Editor

HOWLING NOW!

Sir,
May I commend you for your article on School Taxes here in the Gulf Islands, page 9, November first issue. Also your editorial. I hope you will continue to write in this vein on the subject of local

taxes and the disposition of them.

Local taxes are for local purposes and should not be arbitrarily sent off to some distant place at the whim of a bureaucrat.

It seems to me that if the distant places need financial help it should come from income and sales



It says here in the manual,.....Now you have installed your solar power unit, relax and let the blazing sun run your air conditioning.

taxes, not from local taxes.

School District 64 taxes are much too high already and the teacher-pupil ratio is ridiculous and to find that such a huge amount is going 'off islands' for Lord knows what, it is time we all started to howl.

I simply hope that your journal will 'howl' for us.

H.W. TINGLEY
Galiano Island
November 5, 1978

LITTLE TIME LEFT

Sir,

In response to those people who found my letter concerning the Hatfields and McCoys confusing and misdirected, I would like to say that first it lost something in translation and second that it was at time's too tongue-in-cheek for even me.

I would like to clarify matters by stating straight on that while I don't endorse much more expansion of the island, I do recognize that which has occurred to date, necessitating an enlarged sewer scheme. My primary concern is, that if islanders support a sewer scheme which dumps untreated effluent into the bay, that we will in fact be setting the precedence of pollution and environmental rape as an unnecessary means for achieving developmental ends. There are other more sensible and sensitive ways to attend to the growing needs of Salt Spring.

It seems to me that we islanders who care about the rural quality of life on Salt Spring have very little time left in which to act upon our concerns. If we don't act, we won't come out smelling like roses, any more than Ganges Harbour. The aroma lingers on, long after the party's over, so to speak.

So I say, let's get behind the Ganges Plan and give Salt Spring a chance to be a place we can be proud of, rather than something we look back to with a certain amount of guilt and shame.

JEZRAH HEARNE
R.R.1, Fulford Harbour
November 9, 1978

IT JUST AIN'T SO!

Sir,

It has again come to my attention that someone has the idea that the Family Grouping or Alternate Class is somehow managing to cost taxpayers more money than they are accustomed to pay for regular public school classes.

This time the one voicing this erroneous idea was an elderly gentleman running for a seat on

our School Board. Earlier, Mrs. Olive Clayton gave us her similar opinions.

The Alternate Class never has cost any more than other classes. True, there is a slightly higher teacher-pupil ratio than other elementary classes, but this is a family grouping with a maximum number of 34 children, grades 1 to 7, which requires extremely talented teachers, as well as much successful work by parents.

However, the class has less hardware, supplies, etc., than most classes, which more than balances the slight difference in teacher-pupil ratio.

Incredible amounts of labour and concern for the class by teachers and parents have made a very viable alternative educational environment for our children. To describe this as a "frill" is extremely irresponsible, much like saying "Primary education is a waste of money, let's have them wait until intermediate age."

Our children will be in some class.....that will always cost some money...they will not disappear, and even if they did, I would not pin my hopes on it for the salvation of elderly persons and those on fixed incomes. With the facts examined it will be shown that there has been no extra expenditure of taxpayer's money on the Alternative Class. The immense problem of our tax money used elsewhere in the province for

schools, while our schools are in general, struggling to get by financially, will not be solved by isolating a scapegoat and attacking it with misguided opinions

THOMAS HALL
Box 1218
Ganges
November 12, 1978

DON'T FAIL TO VOTE!

Sir,

Here's a reminder to Salt Spring Island Constituents to be sure and vote in this upcoming election, make your vote count!

If there is one person you would like to get elected much more than any other in the school board or Islands Trust, your vote will carry more weight if you only vote for that one candidate in either of these two categories.

By voting for only one candidate your vote will still be counted here on Salt Spring. If you think the only worthwhile candidate is, let's say, one person on the school board, then be sure to vote for that person and just leave the others blank.

But, of course, you can vote for two for the school board, two for the Islands Trust and one for the Capital Regional District.

MATTHEW COLEMAN
Ganges
November 13, 1978

Church Services

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1978

ANGLICAN			
St. Mark's	Central	Morning Prayer	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	7.00 pm
Bible Study & Prayer		Thursday	7.00 pm
MAYNE ISLAND			
St. Mary Magdalene	Sundays	Rev. John Dyer	11.30 am
Community Church	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

Salt Spring Island election meeting

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Islands School District has basically a good system.

"But I want to see some changes," she said. "The schools can't prepare students for the job market anymore. The best we can do is give the kids the basic skills necessary. The kids need to learn to think for themselves constructively, to be responsible for their own actions, and to learn skills that will help them make the most of their leisure time."

MOUAT

Incumbent Ivan Mouat said he would press for a number of things if he was re-elected, among them a full-time district superintendent for the Gulf Islands.

Mouat also expressed concern over the current equalization tax structure in the province, and called for plenty of advance planning of educational facilities on the island.

Those contesting the seat for Salt Spring on the regional board covered a wide variety of matters during their moment in the limelight.

AUST

Strick Aust told the meeting that he is running for the board because he wants to preserve the kind of lifestyle that prompted him to move here a year ago.

"I'm not saying I don't wish to seek progress," Aust told the meeting. "I do. But I wish to seek progress that won't ruin the island."

Aust said that while he is in favour of the sewer proposal for the Ganges area, "I won't support anything unless I know what the cost is going to be in dollars and cents to the individual." He added that he felt the cost of a sewer scheme should be borne by those it would serve.

CLEMENT

Mike Clement told the audience that he is running for the regional board seat for a "very simple reason."

"Since my wife and I have come here we've made more friends than in any place we've ever lived," Clement told the meeting. "And I'm prepared to pay my dues in the

very difficult period which I think is coming up."

Clement stressed that he has no political affiliations.

The candidate outlined several of the concerns that prompted him to file papers for the coming race, among them co-ordination of the island's water resources and classification of Salt Spring as a rural, rather than urban area in order to avoid urban-type problems.

Clement told the meeting he would also like the opportunity to analyze the engineering requirements of the proposed sewer system, and added that in the agricultural field "we should build on our success where we can."

Clement supported the theory that those who would be served by the sewer "should pay their fair share of the charges," but noted that there appears to be no allowance in the estimates for the cost of running such a system.

"I'm not convinced that we've been told the whole truth," he said, "and I would want the engineers to guarantee that we wouldn't be faced with problems."

VALCOURT

Yvette Valcourt told the meeting that one of the reasons she is running for the regional director's seat is because she doesn't feel the island should be caught in the web of regionalism.

"Basically, I will try to get something done about the many problems facing the island today," Mrs. Valcourt told the meeting. "I feel that there's a need for more input from people, and that there's a need for equal rights for each member of the community."

Mrs. Valcourt reiterated her stand that those who would be served by a sewer system should pay for it, and voiced opposition to continued pollution of Ganges Harbour.

WILSON

Quentin Wilson was the first of the Islands Trust candidates to speak, and stressed that he wants the Gulf Islands to "have an environment where people can live in harmony."

Wilson said he sees the com-

munity plan as a means of implementing such a goal.

LOTT

David Lott told the group that he believes in "common sense planning," and that he supports the Islands Trust implementation of the community plan and Ganges plan.

"We must be careful not to mold our environment into tickytacky developments," Lott warned.

SUTCLIFFE

Charles Sutcliffe told the meeting that he felt not being well-known on Salt Spring is to his advantage.

"Not being well-known is probably to my advantage in that I have not been mixed up in the in-fighting that's going on on this island," Sutcliffe said. "I've an open mind and recognize no faction."

Sutcliffe said one of his major goals if elected would be to ensure that the goals and principles of the Trust were kept to the forefront. He also called for stronger representation on the Trust for Salt Spring, suggesting that there should be trustees from Fulford, Ganges, Vesuvius and Fernwood.

HITCHCOCK

Nominee Bill Hitchcock said that he was primarily interested in providing for "good development" on the island, and intimated that he would like to see some of the red tape cut.

KREISSL

"I think," Bud Kreissl told the meeting, "that the essential things we're saying here tonight is trust. We've got to preserve the island for future generations and not just our generation. I think basically the thing is that we have to look at the forest and not at every single tree."

Kreissl supported the concept of keeping a rural atmosphere on Salt Spring, and stressed his interest in the island's water supplies.

"I believe water supplies in this area are all-important," he said.

All of the candidates agreed that a sewer scheme had to be a priority item for the island, although Sutcliffe wondered aloud how long it would be before the money for the system would be forthcoming.

IN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Provisional budget increases coming

The Gulf Islands school board has given approval to its provisional budget for 1979. Increases ranging as high as 49 per cent are reflected in almost all sections of the financial projection.

The administration account is expected to increase by about 6.7 per cent, with expenditures jumping from \$130,340 in 1978 to \$139,040 in the coming year. The largest increase is expected to be in salaries.

The instruction account is expected to increase by about 13.5 per cent next year, jumping from expenditures in 1978 of \$1,572,970.

The budget for teachers' salaries has been increased for 1979 from \$1,448,770 to \$1,641,720. Clerical salaries are expected to increase from \$47,200 to roughly \$53,000, and expenditures for teaching supplies are expected to jump from \$61,000 to \$72,000.

A 10.7 per cent increase has been slated for the operation

account, with expenditures expected to increase from \$182,900 to \$202,420.

A projected increase of 9.3 per cent has been budgeted for the Repairs and Maintenance Account, which is expected to jump from \$109,600 to \$119,800.

The Conveyance of Pupils Account is expected to increase by 4.3 per cent in the coming year, going from \$134,500 to \$140,350, while Debt Services is expected to increase by 6.1 per cent.

The Auxiliary Services Account is expected to increase to \$51,850 from \$34,800, reflecting a 49 per cent increase, while the non-operating account is expected to remain the same as it was in 1978.

Provisional budgets had to be adopted by districts throughout the province by the middle of this month. Final budgets are brought down early in the new year.

Bake sale for Tories

A tea and home bake sale, sponsored by the Progressive Conservative Association for Saanich and the Islands, will be held in the Margaret Vaughn-Birch Hall in Sidney on Saturday, Nov. 25, from 2 pm to 4 pm.

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Spaghetti feed planned for Mayne Island

Get your knives, forks and bibs out folks -- the Mayne Island Parents' Association is sponsoring Caesar's Spaghetti Dinner Nov. 24.

The event, designed to raise money for school field trips, gets under way at 6 pm in the school activity room.

Tickets for the affair can be obtained through the school office.

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Big list of candidates for Saturday's elections

Biggest occupation in the islands is retirement. And the election reports reflect it very clearly.

Majority of candidates are engaged in the same pursuit.

Running for Islands Trust on Salt Spring Island are three retired citizens and two hard workers.

Retired are Dr. David Lott, Dr. L.J. Kreissl and Charles Sutcliffe.

David Lott was born in England and came to Canada in time to join the army for the second war. He was wounded at Falaise in the D-Day landings while serving as a gunnery officer with the RCA. He graduated from Guelph in veterinary medicine and married a West Vancouver girl. He practiced in Duncan for 15 years and bought his island property in 1956. Their four children are all away from home. He has worked with the CIDA on

disease control and land management in East Africa and he took his master's degree in range management at UBC in the late 60's.

He operated a clinic on Salt Spring Island and has served overseas in Ethiopia and Ghana. He is a former planning association director.

L.J. Kreissl, better known as "Bud", is a retired pathologist. He was practicing in California before moving up the coast to retire on Salt Spring Island. He became a Canadian to take a more active part in the affairs of his adoptive country. A veteran of the navy, he has strong views on the naval participation in the Second World War.

A graduate of a Jesuit college in the eastern United States, he is today an active member of the Catholic parish on Salt Spring Island. For several years Kreissl has been a trustee of North Salt Spring Island Waterworks District. **RETIRED CIVIL SERVANT**

Charles Sutcliffe is a retired civil servant. He served in the British Colonial Police and retired as police commissioner in Hong Kong. He retired to Walker Hook. A world traveller, he has lived and worked in Britain, Africa and the Orient.

Living quietly on the island for the past several years, Sutcliffe has

Simplified report cards get approval

Students from Grades 4-7 in the Gulf Islands School District will be bringing home newly-designed report cards in the future.

The school board last week approved the re-designing of the cards that will simplify them considerably compared to the cards used to date.

Director of Education Larry Holbrook explained to the board at its regular business meeting last Thursday that the new card will show briefly how each child is doing. There will also be space provided for teacher's comments on work habits. Holbrook told the board that if the new design was approved immediately "we hope to be able to get on to producing them right away."

"If we can find some money they could be done within a week," Holbrook told the board.

Trustee Spencer Marr suggested that the new design be amended to include space for marking a student on work habits in every subject, rather than just generalized comments. His move for an

played an active role with the Royal Canadian Legion and is an enthusiastic member of the Salt Spring island Sailing Club.

Two working men seeking election are Quentin Wilson and Bill Hitchcock.

Bill Hitchcock was born in Victoria and grew up in Burnaby. He bought property on Salt Spring island in 1966 and came here to live in 1967. He chose the island because it was an excellent rural environment in which to raise a family; he and his wife enjoyed the slower island pace and he could do what he wanted with his own property. He has seen changes, he says and most of the planning has been for the benefit of the developer or the builder of custom homes.

He is advocating more local control rather than Victoria direction. Controlled development with a greater input from the majority of residents, instead of the vocal minorities and promotion of cottage industries and agriculture are among his programs.

Marina operator at Fuford Harbour, Quentin Wilson is a highly skilled engineer. His cruiser is an example of his scrupulous workmanship. The Wilson fire fighter, for dropping fire into forests to control fires, is an example of his inventive genius.

A fervent participant in island planning for a decade, Wilson has served with the planning association, as president, as well as the Ganges Planning Committee and other functions.

All five candidates are speaking from a platform of closely controlled development on the island.

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amendment to the motion to approve the card was defeated, however.

A suggestion was also made that the new reports should be placed inside a cover in order to protect them.

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QUENTIN WILSON

Landscapes and abstracts on wheel-thrown plates

BY KATIE SCHLEGL AND MERLE BOX

Muriel Hale, a potter new to Salt Spring Island, was interviewed recently on a beautiful fall day, as she unloaded the kiln in her newly-constructed workshop.

Muriel and her husband, Al spent from last December, when they moved here from Haney, till June, building the spacious, well-organized studio adjacent to their home.

As she unloaded pots from her kiln, Muriel spoke of her interest in creating a series of scenic landscapes and colourful abstract designs on wheel-thrown plates, a project sparked by the course she is currently taking at Malaspina College.

This is a departure from the functional ware Muriel has been producing, and the results are exciting and unique.

IN HANEY

Muriel began potting, as have so many others, in an adult education class in Haney several years ago. Eventually, she and her family felt drawn by the community of crafts people who work on Salt Spring Island, and who have received recognition here and elsewhere.

Muriel Hale's work was well-received in the summer Arts and Crafts show. She is now hard at work making casseroles, tea pots, large planters, coffee pots, and sets of bowls for the Potters and Weavers annual pre-Christmas sale.

Her pottery and that of many other Island potters will be on sale in Mahon Hall on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 18 and 19.

VOTE ON SAT. NOV. 18



MURIEL HALE

Shows poultry at Royal Winter Fair

Royal Agricultural Winter Fair at Toronto is no distance from Ganges. Not in terms of exhibitors.

Among those showing at the fair is Larry Holbrook, of Ganges, who is exhibiting in the poultry section.

Fiftieth anniversary of the show was marked this year by opening a day earlier than usual. Formal opening was on Thursday, Nov. 9.

Closing ceremonies will take place on Saturday, Nov. 18.

Thieves took frosted apples

A local gardener from the North St. Mary Lake area wonders if others have had the same experience recently.

Having spent a goodly portion of the spring and summer in spraying, pruning, thinning, watering and drooling over a Golden Delicious apple tree in his yard, he was delighted to obtain a fine crop of juicy fall apples. All that was needed was that touch of frost which gives the fall apples that extra zing.

This week the frost came. So did the apple thieves. On going out on Sunday to bring in the crop our gardener found the tree naked as a jay bird.

Worst of all, the thieves were no gardeners, for many of the smaller branches had been broken during the heist.

If you spotted an unexpected cache of plump, golden, Golden Delicious apples this weekend, a discreet call to the R.C.M.P. might aid in ongoing investigations.

Meanwhile, the gardener looks forward with mixed emotions to a winter of lurching on store-bought apples!

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LOOKING BACK 35 YEARS

It was series of small incidents

BY FRANK RICHARDS

It was the first year of the Second World War and everything was a game. But not for long.

In December, 1939, I flew to France, to serve with the Advanced Air Striking Force. I was newly armed with the rank of Aircraftsman, First Class and there is only one grade lower in the whole of the air force.

We flew to the Marne in Imperial Airways Ensigns. The first to arrive at Huntingdon, our station in England, was recognized long before it landed. Anything that could make engine noises like that and still stay in the air was of interest to the air force.

When it came to rest it was towed into a hangar and kept there until new motors could be fitted. The second Ensign took us to Bethinville.

Two streets, two cafes and a few stores was Bethinville. The airstrip was probably left over from World War One.

We were on the battle lines of that conflict and although we took a look at the old trenches, we didn't search for souvenirs in case we

found a live one.

We knew nothing of war. The grim experience of 14-18 trench fighting was a story book to us. But we did know of the two Frenchmen who went into the old trenches. They found a first war shell. It blew one man to bits and removed his companion's legs.

The legless one tore up his clothing and bound the bleeding stumps. He then dragged himself to his car and attracted the attention of a small boy. While the boy operated the pedals, he drove the car to a village and was taken to hospital.

The report was fresh in our minds.

VALUED OUR LEGS

We valued our legs too much to go hunting.

Drinking was a different thing.

When a marechal de logis, which is roughly a warrant officer came to the field on his Gnome Rhone motorcycle and sidecar, he and his companion asked permission to inspect our Blenheims. I interpreted for him in the orderly room. The CO said No. I said Yes. If he would let me drive his

equipment, I would let him inspect our planes. We drove away from the tents and it made a good exchange.

We then drank ourselves stupid in the Cafe au Centre.

I went drinking with him on one other occasion. I never remembered going back to the barrack room and he was reportedly tied to the rider of his military motor-cycle when he quit.

It was winter when we moved from Bethinville.

The long slow hill in Regina crosses a canal at the foot. We went over the bridge with a trailer riding alongside us. It was our own trailer, which had jack-knifed on the wintry road. The Brits didn't use chains on military vehicles.

We stopped at an estaminet on the road near the first war cemetery at Sillery and I asked for hot rum. In English it was "grog" I added. It was the same word in French.

I have no idea of the temperature but I would say it was way below zero and our equipment had little weather protection. At one point the driver walked alongside the vehicle while going up a steep hill just to keep the blood circulating.

GOOD FOR ONE WAR

The truck was a tandem, three-axle drive, with a four cylinder engine that had been so successful in the First World War that the air force had ordered thousands for the second war. It would pull anything anywhere as long as you didn't exceed 20 mph.

At Plivot, outside Epernay, and still in the champagne country, I was billeted with the air crew.

In 1940 wireless operators and air gunners were mostly airmen without rank. Later in the war they

would be all senior NCO's and then officers. Few of my friends would survive.

I can only remember a few names. There was Red McFayden, who played bridge whenever he could stir up interest. The Yank called himself Steve Brodie until no one knew his real name. They died first.

George Swetnam was the airman who threw the adjutant out of the officer's mess at the Christmas party. Wild as any airman and stronger than any two put together, he was liked by everyone.

I can remember the unfortunate short fellow who relieved himself out through the window as the military police passed, but I can't remember his name.

We never wept. We shrugged it off. When a plane failed to get back it had "gone for a Burton".

FATALITY

Before we had left for France there had been a fatal accident outside the hangar. An airplane was running up when it jumped its chocks. Instead of standing still while the engines were tested, it had broken loose and jumped forward from the thrust of the engines. An unfortunate onlooker had been in its path. Unfamiliar with the danger of standing near an aircraft, he had been chewed up by the propeller.

There was a near-riot when the civilian staff heard the casual references of the troops. Death was a novelty to them. They had never lived with it as had the servicemen, even far away from enemy action.

He had "bought his." That was the simple answer.

I think it was May 13 when the German advance started across the Meuse. Some came back from each foray. But the majority didn't.

The Wing Commander had been a flying officer a few weeks ago. That was a few weeks before the end. When the twin-engined fighter-bombers went into action the gunners were the prime target. If the enemy could shoot out the defence, then the Blenheim had little protection.

You get a dead man out of the rear cockpit by hooking a hawser under the back of the collar and winding the crane handle until he is dragged and lifted out.

NOBODY LEARNS NOW

But nobody learns these things today. Even if the victim was your drinking crony of yesterday, you didn't shed a tear. You swore at the enemy who did it and you went through a long and ripe vocabulary calling him everything that had been invented. But there was no time for weeping in war.

But war wasn't dying. It wasn't seeing another fellow get his. It wasn't drinking yourself stupid. It wasn't moving across a frozen countryside. It was all of these things. It was the constant scream of silly authority and the constant threat of death.

My children have been fortunate. They have seen no war. I hope they never do.

But the memory that never dies is not the misery. It is the comradeship that comes from facing unpleasant truths together. You forget a man's name, but you remember his companionship.

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Women's Institute marks busy year

BY L. ADSHEAD

The Salt Spring Women's Institute held their annual meeting Nov. 9 at the home of Mrs. G. Reynolds, with 10 members present.

Mrs. Lee opened the meeting by reading the Mary Stewart Collect.

After, the usual business was read and adopted.

The Secretary Treasurer gave the annual reports.

There were two life members badges given and a scholarship given to a student in home economics, gifts sent to the Queen Alex. Hospital. Donations to Telethon for a boy to be put in Trust Fund. Made quilted bedspread, donated to Salvation Army, (Victoria Library W.I.), gave 2 perpetual trophies for students at the Fall Farmers Institute Fair and helped in many other ways. Donated to Central Hall. Donated to Pennies for Friendship.

We have a small sum to start the 1979 year.

Our motto is: For Home and Country.

The 1978 officers were voted back in by acclamation for 1979 year: Mrs. R.H. Lee, president; Mrs. D. Slingsby, vice-president; Mrs. H. Adshead, secretary treasurer; Mrs. E.L. O'Sullivan and Mrs. Wright as directors.

Then final arrangements were made for our Christmas party and

meeting on Dec. 7, at home of Mrs. G. Yardleys at 12.30 pm.

Evelyn Lee, our president, was presented with a distinguished service award.

Citation and medal at Duncan for being in charge of the South Salt Spring Red Cross Campaign for the last 30 years.

All business finished, Mrs. G. Reynolds served refreshments.

Seniors need drivers for swim program

The Senior's Swim Programme which goes every Thursday morning to Sidney and Duncan swimming pools, is becoming more popular as winter draws nearer. The seniors enjoy using the pool, as well as sauna and whirlpool bath.

The group which goes to Sidney takes the 9.30 am ferry and returns on the 1 pm ferry.

Right now there is a shortage of drivers for both the Duncan and Sidney trips. The costs (gas and ferry fare) are shared among the group, so anyone interested in both swimming and/or driving please call the Community Centre at 537-9212, or Babs O'Brien at 537-2378.

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Pender candidates line up for five seats

Pender Islanders will elect five trustees on Saturday. One trustee will serve on Gulf Islands School Board. Two local trustees will be named to the Islands from North Pender and two from South Pender.

There are 10 candidates in the running.

On North Pender Island, the incumbent, Gordon Wallace is seeking a further term. Retired insurance executive, Wallace has been spokesman for innumerable island projects. He has been identified on North Pender and off the island with the school-community construction project, among others.

Also in the race are two newcomers to public affairs.

Emile Leblanc is a retired mining engineer. He looks back on 35 years experience including personnel and safety engineering, land reclamation and environmental and pollution control.

He has also served a stint as townsite manager and fire chief. He looks back on his experience as an assistance in maintaining North Pender Island in its natural state.

Alexander Passmore started life in Hamilton, Ont. He served in the Royal Canadian Navy from 1940 to 1945.

CAME WEST

In 1959 he came west and was employed as fire prevention officer.

with the federal government. That was his undoing. In 1966 he came to Pender Island and that was it. He acquired property on the island and in 1974 he retired here.

Seeking the office of local trustee on South Pender are five candidates. All are retired.

Allan Brooks, incumbent, is a veteran of two years on the Trust. A biologist, he has lived on South Pender since 1965, although he acquired property on the island in 1950. His working life was devoted to wildlife biology, teaching and lecturing in university.

On the Islands Trust he has been a member of the committees on wildlife and Crown lands.

VETERAN

Bill Norton is a veteran of the Second World War, who stayed with the forces and completed 31 years in the army. He did two years with the federal government before coming west.

Since his arrival on the Penders, he has been active in many aspects of the community. He was president of Pender Post for two years and served three years with the golf club as captain and vice president. He is in his fourth term as president of the South Pender Island Property Owners' Association.

Elizabeth Griffiths has also taken an active part in island life. She has been associated with the Pender Post and the library, among other activities. She is, like every other candidate, retired.

David Garnet McKenzie has lived on the island for several years and is widely known on both Penders.

Joan M. Noble, with her husband, purchased property on South Pender 20 years ago. They have been permanent residents since 1974. She was in business for 27 years before retiring to the island. Since her arrival at South Pender, she has served as secretary of the South Pender Property Owners' Association for two years. She is eager to preserve the natural beauty of the island.

Two teachers are seeking the Pender Islands vacancy on the Gulf Islands School Board. Both are presently out of the classroom.

John Zacharias is an islander of 2½ years' standing. He retired here after 31 years as principal and three years of staff teaching. For 12 years he was Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation Councillor. He has expressed no criticism of the school at the present time. His main concern is the welfare of the school

children.

Bruce Stanley is a former teacher who has worked in welfare and other areas. He has taught in BC and in Jamaica. He has been on

North Pender for five years. He has been active in the island Chamber

of Commerce and the Farmer's Institute.

Duplicate bridge for health

Legion Duplicate Bridge Club winners on November 7 were, 1, Dr. and Mrs. Hyslop; 2, Phyllis Henderson and Helen Shandro; 3, Vera and Alf Nichols; tied in fourth place were Hilda Orchard and Lois Popkin Clurman and Mark K. Thomas with Bunny Jordan. Club has sounded a special note to all Salt Spring Island bridge players. They are invited to take part in a charity duplicate game on November 21, in the Legion Hall, at Ganges.

All proceeds will go to the Canadian Mental Health Association.

Salt Spring Island Parks & Recreation Commission This Week in Recreation

SOCCER:

DIV. 2A: S.S. Canadians vs Gorge, Sunday, Nov. 19 in Victoria at 10.30 am.

DIV. 5C: S.S. Kicks vs Bays, Saturday, Nov. 18 on Portlock Park, 10.30 am.

DIV. 6C: S.S. Strikers vs Cowichan Butters, Saturday, Nov. 18 on Fulford Field, at 10.00 am.

GIRLS UNDER 18: Bye

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Nov. 16 (Thurs.) Goblins vs Canadians

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WE ARE GOING TO VOTE FOR Yvette Valcourt FOR REGIONAL DIRECTOR



The reason is simple.

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We couldn't get around to all of our many friends who have called to wish Yvette well. Your signatures would have been greatly appreciated, but time is too limited. Your vote will do it. Thanks....and bless you.

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Some personal thoughts by Bryan Smith

On England today

It happened round about the end of third week in England.

We realised we had had enough.

We had enjoyed our break and our friends and relatives regaled us with good old British hospitality. But we were people-saturated; suffocated by crowds, insane driving, and more than a little peeved at the indifferent attitude towards tourists.

On a previous visit I was an Englishman enjoying his home ties but this time I realised I was now a Canadian and Canada was my home.

LONDON

Millions of people, and with the advent of the Common Market, plus the West and East Indian element and the odd Arab it was a

novelty to hear spoken English.

The traffic is insane.

Bumper to bumper with the air reeking of gasoline and diesel fumes.

Prices are sky high in London. Never stay in a hotel in London! Plunge into the countryside and seek pubs and farmhouses. Not only cheaper but the quality of food and service is far superior.

There are always exceptions.

We found a quiet pub at Ludgate Circus, where there was no incessant rock and roll music blaring out at full volume and enjoyed a Ploughman's lunch, which is mainly cheese, crusty rolls and the trimmings, at a very reasonable cost.

In the suburbs, near London, burglaries and 'muggings' are

commonplace and almost on a par with New York. My eldest son has a front door with six locks and the basement windows fitted with prison bars.

There are queues everywhere. Particularly at the Underground and main line stations.

We found our Brit-rail pass was a boon. By the time you queue up for your ticket behind a 20 yard line-up you find your train has departed.

COSTS

As quoted, it paid to shop around.

In Preston a pair of black shoes were a bargain at eight dollars but in London I priced an identical pair at double the price. A very modest hotel previously used five years ago had tripled their rates. Bed and breakfast for one night was \$54.

However, a charming hotel in Battle, Sussex, called "The Non-such" was a bargain for \$40 for two nights, including two evening meals.

Gasoline is around \$1.50 a gallon. Annual licence plates, \$100 a year. Insurance coverage is the same as B.C. and the same price.

FOOD

Bread, beer and bacon are all superior to the Canadian equivalent. However, most restaurants and pubs were in a rut by insisting french fries (chips) accompany any chosen meat dish.

THE PUBS

Outside London, as good as ever with their character, atmosphere, and infinite variety of drinks, especially beer and sherry from the barrel.

However, the publican was generally more obliging than his staff.

STRIKES AND POLITICS

Still a popular pastime, strikes that is. One day train guards of a large section of the Southern Region of British Railways walked off the job because one of their fellow guards actually lifted luggage to help a passenger, thus disobeying a strict union rule to keep his cotton-picking hands to himself.

The Unions tell the House of Commons what to do; the House of Commons tells the House of Lords and the Queen what to do. The Prime Minister, with his back to the wall as usual, trying to curb inflation, was kept busy fighting the Tories and the Unions.

Meanwhile, Margaret Thatcher, leader of the Tories confessed to crying when under pressure and thus lost a lot of potential votes.

The Liberals were embroiled in a scandal of misusing campaign funds and so democracy stumbles inevitably towards fascism or communism.

Young assistants were generally indifferent and even rude on occasion.

Mature owners were the opposite.

Hordes of French, Belgian, Dutch and Germans were crossing the Channel, buying everything in sight. Despite prosperity the average Englishman was disgusted at such buying sprees and blamed it all on the Common Market.

T.V. AND RADIO

Unlike Canada, most homes in England are close to an area, or London, TV transmitter and reception is excellent. The British currently pay approx \$50 a year for TV, but it is anticipated it will go up to \$60 in the New Year.

However, there are no commercials in the B.B.C. channels and even on the I.T.V. channel the ads are limited to four showings per hour, generally every 15 minutes.

They also do their best to stick to the programs, as advertised, and even important soccer games are taped and shown later (10 pm onwards).

The radio programs are run by the B.B.C. and there are four channels; two highbrow, one middlebrow and one lowbrow with a continuous stream of rock and roll music all day. No commercials of course.

TRAVEL

Coast towns were dreary and depressing with many a boarding house on the sea front shut down and boarded over. Gone are the days of crowded beaches and wall to wall deckchairs.

Most of our friends and relatives had either been or were planning on holidays in Spain, Majorca, Greece etc. Package deals are so popular you have to book months ahead.

If you are planning to jump off

from England for such trips make sure you have it organized here with your local agent.

OTHER ENTERTAINMENT

Cinemas are few and far between. Most of them have been converted to Bingo halls.

Musical shows such as 'Calcutta', 'Jesus Christ Superstar' are still running in London but the most popular was 'Chorus Line'.

Agatha Christie's 'Mouse-trap' is in its 27th year. The pubs are good for socializing and the latest joke is passed around, as is the English custom.

TRAFFIC

Driving a car is a nightmare. All those small cars dodging in and out, plus suicidal tailgating.

I could not decide whether it was driving skill or kindly fate that prevented accidents that appeared inevitable. They park both sides of a street and face any way and parking places were extremely difficult to find.

In Suburbia the owners park their cars half on the sidewalk and half on the street.

IN GENERAL

The British are still insular and appeared bored with pictures and descriptions of beautiful BC. They were too engrossed in either Mrs. Jones' lodger next door or the league soccer games.

Singly and together, we experienced several incidents which illustrated the observations as described above. Perhaps, editor permitting, I will relate such incidents in a future issue.

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FOR REGIONAL DIRECTOR



"It is time the Islands were given special status within the regional district. Perhaps 'rural district' would indicate that our needs are different from the urban areas under its jurisdiction, and start the process of regenerating agriculture."

CLEMENT, Victor Herbert X
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ON NOV. 18, VOTE

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REGIONAL DIRECTOR - SALT SPRING ISLAND

FERNWOOD Elementary School News

HOUSE GAMES

The new house games consist of speed sit-ups, the long jump and the Grand Prix foot relay.

In the sit-ups you need four people from the same team. You must do regular sit-ups with your partner. When you get tired then you say "Go" and the other person goes while his/her partner holds their feet.

Meanwhile the person that did sit-ups first switches places with his or her partner and when the second pair says "go" the first pair goes and the second pair switches places and so on until three minutes are up. A helper will have counted the total amount of sit-ups and puts it on the team's score sheet.

The team then goes on to the standing long jump. Each person jumps and the helper adds up the amount of each jump and writes it on the team's score sheet.

They then go to the Grand Prix relay race. One person from four different teams lines up with a ball in one hand behind a black line. When a teacher yells "Go" they run around the gymnasium three times. On the last lap another person from each team lines up and puts out their hand. The ball is passed to them and as soon as they have the ball they start running. They continue until everyone has run and they record the time it takes your team to do it and your

team gets points.

The house games are played by grades four and five and six and seven. **-Xandra van Hamersveld**

GRASS HOCKEY

On Wednesday Nov. 8 a grass hockey tournament took place at S.S.I. Elementary. Four teams took part: Fernwood Elementary, Salt Spring Elementary, Bench Elementary and Drinkwater Elementary. Everyone had a good time.

The first game was played by Fernwood and Salt Spring, the two S.S.I. teams. The score was in favour of Salt Spring, 1 to 0.

The second game was played by the off-island teams, Bench and Drinkwater. The score, in favour of Bench was 3 to 0.

The third game was played by Fernwood and Bench 6 to 0.

On the fourth game Salt Spring and Drinkwater competed. Drinkwater won the game by a 1 to 0 lead.

The fifth game was a tie between Fernwood and Drinkwater. The sixth and last game was between Bench and S.S.I. Elementary. Bench won 5 to 0. It was obvious to see why Bench is Vancouver Island champion.

The sportsmanship award went to Drinkwater.

Participation certificates were awarded to everyone who played in the tournament.

-Sarah Stelter

Mayne Hallowe'en party drew all kinds



Parish turns thoughts to Christmas carol services

Although the attention of the Salt Spring parish is focused on the forthcoming municipal elections we are also making preparations for

Christmas!

The Community Carol Services this year will be held at Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church on Drake Road, at 4 pm and 7 pm on Sunday, December 17.

7.30 pm.

The choir will be led by Joy Johnson, with Angela Funk as the organist, and they will meet for each of the four Mondays between November 20 and December 17.

The Salt Spring Recorder Group will also take part in the services, and it is not too early to circle the date on your calendar.

THE WORM

Hi! I am a worm down in the soil. It is very dark. I can hardly see in front of me. I am just about to eat my dinner, when all of a sudden SLICE! I just got chopped in half by a big shovel! I started to run, but it was too late. He had already dropped me into a tin can.

In a flash I find myself being stabbed with a big silver hook, the pain was indescribable. After that was over, I got lowered into the water and hung there for about five minutes. All of a sudden CHOMP! A big fish just ate me.

After one hour, the big fish was sliced open and all of the remains were thrown into the compost heap, and now I am starting a whole new life.

- Ken MacPherson

REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY

On Friday we went to an assembly and Mr. Layard talked to us about Remembrance Day and showed us a film. We sang some songs with Valdy. The songs were called "I'd Like to Teach The World To Sing", "Universal Soldier", "Last Night I Had The Strangest Dream", "I Layed Down My Sword and Shield", "Where Have all the Flowers Gone", "O Canada", and "God Save The Queen".

Graham Cartwright, Graham Lee, and Shaun Logan read some Remembrance Day poems to the audience.

- Wendy Ronne

Candle making session slated

Once again in time for Christmas, the Community Centre is sponsoring a candlemaking session for parents and children.

This will be held on Nov. 25. This has been great fun in previous years as both parents and children made dipped candles in varied hues to use during the holiday season.

There will be a charge of \$1 to cover the cost of materials.

Further information can be obtained at the Community Centre at 537-9212.

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POSTSCRIPT

Odds makers at it again

BY SHIRLEY CULPIN

Every year about this time a maniacal urge grips the scribes of this great nation, and they all set finger to typewriter to predict the outcome of the numerous elections that plague the citizenry annually. Never having been one to be left out of any sort of frivolous fiasco, and despite the fact that I have at the time of writing lived on our fair island for less than two months, I offer the following humble opinions on the outcome of this year's race for the roses.

These predictions are based entirely on what I've seen of the various candidates in and around our office, and on what I heard them say at last week's all-candidates meeting. Having stuck my neck out this week, you can rest assured there'll be a post mortem

next week.
SOFT SELL APPEALS

Ivan Mouat has to be a shoo-in for one of the two seats open on the school board, for the plain and simple reason that he makes it clear he knows exactly what he wants for education on this island, and he lets the electorate know what he wants.

Because Charles Baltzer wasn't at last week's meeting I can't evaluate him.

Of the other three candidates running for the board who attended the meeting I'd bet on Chip Chipman.

Mary Williamson would no doubt be a refreshing and effective shake-up for the board, but I can't help but feel that too many residents will think she's too closely aligned with a single cause;

Galiano bazaar a resounding success

The Galiano Ladies' Service Club annual bazaar was held Saturday, Nov. 11.

Golden sunshine and crisp air brought a large crowd to the bazaar, resulting in sales of well over \$1,100.

Annelies Waldenmeier and Nan New convened the affair, while Corinne Snell looked after the

raffles designed to aid Greenwood. Raffle prizes included two food hampers, a turkey donated by Kay Johnson and Isobel McKerihan, and a smoked night dress donated by Ivy Morshead.

The classic standbys, white elephant, bakery, plants, jewellery and sewing and knitting stalls brought in more returns than ever this year. Stalls sporting dried grasses and Christmas paraphernalia, a new addition this year, helped to swell the coffers.

The childrens Santa Claus room housed the ever popular Lucky Dip and an exciting new treasure hunt.

Ann Platt and her helpers were kept busy serving delicious homemade teas.

Thanks are due not only to the service club ladies and their friends who gave so unstintingly of their time and effort, but also to the islanders who by their generous patronage made the bazaar such a resounding success.

Annual bird count planned for Dec. 9

Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club plan a second unofficial count of the local bird population on Dec. 9.

Audubon Christmas Bird counts go back to 1900, when 27 observers took part in counts from two provinces of Canada, and 12 American states. Setting new records each year for numbers of observers and number of species counted, the number of scientific studies derived from the Christmas count statistics has also risen year by year.

While we do not feel able as yet to do an official count, our records will be sent to the provincial museum to add to their store of knowledge of the area. Last year we counted 92 species and 9654 birds. If you would like to help better this effort please call Marg Pearce 537-2355 or Gertrude Smith 537-9559.

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Strick Aust has one thing going against him in his run at the seat -- he's new here, and he shows it. His intentions are good and honourable, however. Give him another few years and he'll be a mighty strong contender.

LEAST CHANCE

Yvette Valcourt, I think, has the least chance of winning the race. The lady has some good points, and she's running on a pretty strong platform. But there's one thing against her too, and that's the fact that she, also, is aligned with a particular group with particular interests.

Islands Trust? I'll put my money on Charles Sutcliffe and Bud Kreissl. They've voiced some legitimate concerns over the past weeks, and it would appear that they're willing to make the time to do right by their adopted home.

Sutcliffe has one strike against him because he, like Aust, isn't all that well known in these parts. The fact that he considers that some-

Parents' group at Gulf Islands Secondary School

BY PAT MacPHERSON

Do you wonder what your child is doing at high school these days?

Do you ever get conflicting stories at home from your teenager?

Have you ever wanted to speak to a teacher but weren't sure how to go about it?

FIGHTING WILL DECIDE

If your answer is "Yes" to any of these questions, then the Parents' Advisory Council is for you. Part of being a parent of school aged children is being aware of peer group pressures, school rules, your child's behaviour at school, teacher expectations (assignment deadlines, homework) and course requirements (what it takes to graduate).

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Because every high school student faces these and many other problems every day, parents are requested to attend the formation of the Gulf Islands Secondary School Parents' Advisory Council on Monday, Nov. 20, at 7.30 pm in Room 4 at the high school.

The parents' council has sprung from the initiative of the school principal, teachers and parents who recognise that a viable parents' group can go a long way toward making Gulf Islands Secondary School the very best that it can be.

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- c. To preserve rural living and low-density housing development where so zoned, and to permit higher density housing where sewers are provided.

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- b. LAKES: - To give high priority to protecting those lakes which provide the water supply for residents and visitors.
- c. To encourage interest in cultural and artistic matters on the island.
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 - a. Ferry parking: To press for adequate car-parking facilities at each of the ferry terminals on the island.
 - b. To press for a more frequent, and related, bus service from Swartz Bay to Victoria.
 - c. To press for an island bus service assisted by the Urban Transit Authority connecting island ferry terminals to service centres.

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"Let's insist on development projects that islanders can be proud of."

ON NOV. 18. VOTE

AUST, Roger Strickland X

REGIONAL DIRECTOR - SALT SPRING ISLAND

Campbell offers opinion

Sewage and the sea are compatible

P.A. Tiernan lives on Ganges Harbour. And he is fearful of the discharge of sewage into that harbour.

His recent letter to the chairman of the Capital Regional District was published in Driftwood. He suggested that land disposal was a better means of getting rid of effluent and invited Chairman Jim Campbell's opinion.

Here is the Campbell reply.

I have your letter on the matter of sewage in Ganges Harbour.

As a resident of the Gulf Islands for the last 33 years, and living close to the water, I believe I am as concerned as anyone about the need for wise decisions in matters affecting the environment.

Sewers are a solution to a problem which the Capital Regional District has inherited but which did not create. They are a solution to a problem which in my view of the Gulf Islands should never have been allowed to develop and in the simplest and most elementary form they are extremely costly.

EVER

The oceans and seas of this world have been accepting the wastes of the land since the beginning, and will perform continue for ever. In fact, it is those 'wastes' that have made the sea the vital living organism that it is.

The issue, as I see it, is not to attempt to prevent the wastes from entering the sea but to be sure that the nature of those wastes when they reach the sea is such that the marine environment is not adversely affected in terms of its productive, recreational or aesthetic qual-

ity.

What is happening at the head of Ganges Harbour is that there is an emission of uncontrolled and virtually raw wastes entering a very limited area of shallow water in such concentration that its absorption into that marine environment causes marked changes in the natural condition. That is to say, it stinks.

The method of correcting that problem is simple and effective in principle, and, in the scale involved here, in practice as well.

TREATMENT

All wastes in the area will be collected and treated. 'Treatment' in this case means at least that the wastes will

1.) Have floatable solids removed, and suspended solids reduced;

2. Be aerated to the extent that the biological oxygen demand on the receiving waters will be low enough so that life forms in these waters will not be adversely affected;

3. Have harmful bacteria reduced to the extent necessary to protect those using the receiving waters for recreation, and in general eliminate danger of disease spreading.

In addition, the discharge point will be so located as to provide for effective dissemination of the treated wastes in the receiving waters.

In answer to your questions about land disposal, one thing must be absolutely clear: it will cost a great deal more.

In the first place, the level of treatment would have to be at least as high as, or higher than, for marine disposal.

In the second place, the necessary and suitable land would be

extremely costly, remembering that it would have to meet the same general criteria which apply for development, such as moderate slope, high absorptive capacity, and proximity to Ganges.

Thirdly, in order to get the waste water to a conceivable site the pumping and distribution costs will be high.

TWO CONDITIONS

There are two conditions which make land disposal attractive. The first applies when there is no other place to put wastes, such as is the case in interior locations.

The second is in cases where a positive benefit in terms of irrigation can be realized. Neither of these applies on Salt Spring Island.

Certainly, the amount of irrigation water would far exceed the amount that could usefully be applied, having regard to the highly seasonal needs and limited scope of agriculture in this climate. Arid regions with long growing seasons can benefit from this source of irrigation water.

I appreciate your concern, and I know that it is shared by all

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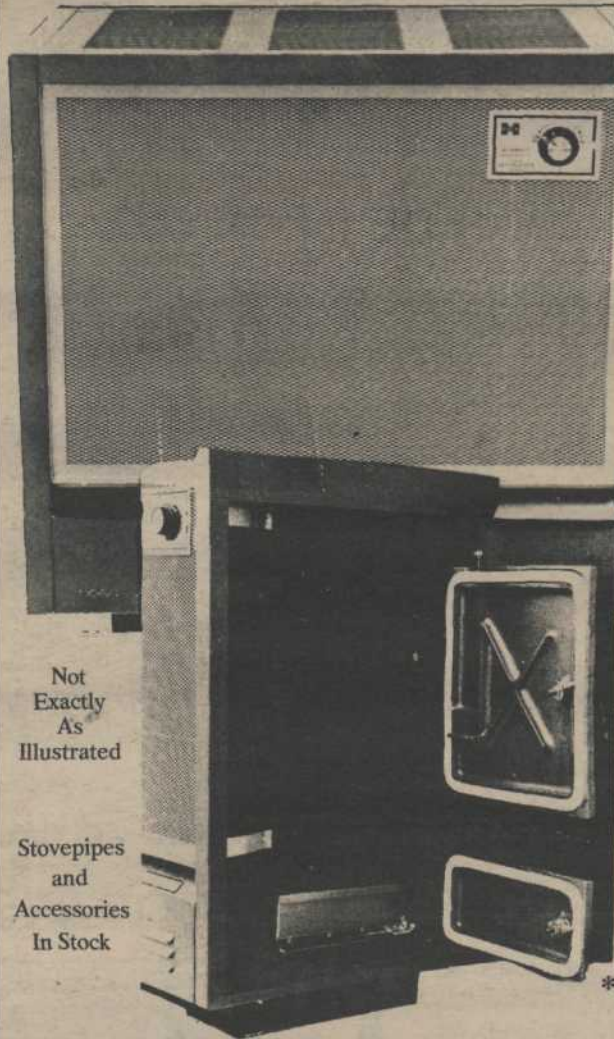
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- Sunday, Dec. 24
- Tuesday, Dec. 26†
- Wednesday, Dec. 27
- Sunday, Dec. 31, 1978
- and
- Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1979†

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Lv SALTSRING IS.	6:40 am	12:20 pm	4:30 pm
PENDER IS.	7:15	-	5:15
MAYNE IS.	7:40*	12:55	5:45*
GALIANO IS.	8:10	1:25	6:15
Ar TSAWWASSEN [▲]	9:05	2:20	7:05
Lv TSAWWASSEN [▲]	9:20	2:35	7:30
GALIANO IS.	10:20	-	8:25
MAYNE IS.	10:50*	-	9:00*
PENDER IS.	11:15	-	9:30
Ar SALTSRING IS.	12:00 n	3:50	10:10
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Lv SATURNA IS.	6:40 am	-	4:10 pm†
Ar SATURNA IS.	12:15 pm	-	10:00*

•Note: On Sundays, Dec. 24 and 31 only, departure time from Saturna Is. will be 4:00 pm. and arrival 10:50 pm.

▲Met by bus.

†Except Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1978 and Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1979.

PORTS OF CALL: Long Harbour (Saltspring), Outer Bay (Pender), Village Bay (Mayne), Sturdies Bay (Galiano), Tsawwassen (all Mainland points).

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Galiano Island

BY MARY ELLEN HARDING

Frosty and cold but sunny days lately have not deterred many folks from coming over to the island for the past long weekend.

We wish everyone who has a birthday during this month a happy day, and from a phone call to Alberta, we find that our own dear friend, a former resident of Galiano and Salt Spring, has decided to live until he is 104. L.M. "Pop" Lloyd-Walters is now 91, and is in good health, his many friends will be pleased to hear.

Galiano Lionettes auxiliary met at the home of president Mary Knudson, on Nov. 6 with many plans to make over the next two months.

It was reported that a sum of money has been given to the childrens "walkathon", also a donation for their upcoming Christmas party. Money has been set aside for the present to be given to the new "Greenwoods" Personal Care hospital at Ganges.

Dinner cooks were decided upon for Lions dinners, as this is the main object of our auxiliary. They cook one dinner a month for the Lions. Next Lionettes meeting will be on December 4 at the home of Mary Harding.

Galiano Lions had their monthly meeting at the hall on Nov. 2 with president Roy Harding in the chair. They say that they sponsored Mrs. D. Laughlin in the childrens "walkathon", and she walked all of the way, so a substantial donation was given to the school thanks to her.

Their next meeting, a dinner, will be held on Nov. 16, with zone chairman Ron Drayton expected to attend from Saanichton.

DEATH OF BELOVED GALIANO RESIDENT

Mrs. Isabella A. Murphy, a respected and beloved resident of Galiano Island, passed away at Lady Minto Hospital, on Nov. 6 following a long illness, patiently borne. She was pre-deceased by her husband, Bill, in 1943.

Mrs. Murphy came to Galiano more than 20 years ago, after living for some time at Chilliwack. She was born at Birkenhead, Cheshire, England.

Since coming to the Island, Mrs. Murphy endeared herself to all who knew her. She gave unstintingly of her time to the many clubs on the Island. She loved to organize, and was the leading founder of the Galiano Ladies Service Club, and Senior Citizens Branch 94, being first president of both these worthy organizations.

Through her natural hard work and leadership, she inspired all who were privileged to know and help her.

Mrs. Murphy leaves to mourn her loving family; son, Reg, and family, of Chilliwack, William and daughter-in-law Gladys, daughter Jean and son-in-law George Tully, and daughter Sheila, son-in-law, James, and family, all of Galiano.

Donations to the Galiano School Memorial Fund would be appreciated.

ON NOV. 18



Please support me in my efforts to bring some positive changes into our school system.

CHIPMAN, A.G. X

School Trustee

And here's a run-down on the candidate in Saturday's election on Galiano.

RON THOMPSON

Ron Thompson has served on the Islands Trust for the past four years, and five years on the Advisory Planning Commission.

"Now that the by-laws have been passed, responsibility for the way in which the land on our Island will be divided and the kind of use which should be encouraged for the benefit of the community will rest with the people of Galiano, through our Planning Commission and our Island Trustees," he told Driftwood.

"In the day-to-day management of this responsibility the Island trustees will be expected to protect the spirit of the Community Plan." That is his purpose in seeking election, he explained.

BILL DUNCAN

Bill Duncan and his wife came to Galiano in 1964, and since then he has given much of his time to the community. He has been treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce and the Senior Citizens. Now he is treasurer of the Galiano



"Let's retain the quality of lifestyle now on Salt Spring."

ON NOV. 18, VOTE

AUST, Roger Strickland X

REGIONAL DIRECTOR - SALT SPRING ISLAND

Cuckoo's Nest comes to Island screen

BY HOLLY WOOD

Island Cinema at Central Hall, will present "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" at the end of the week.

Jack Nicholson, Louise Fletcher, Brad Dourif, William Redfield are the cast in this adaptation of Ken Kesey's novel that won Academy Awards for best actor (Nicholson), best picture, best director (Forman) and best actress (Louise Fletcher).

This is a far cry from the typical movieland version of mental hospitals.

Supporting performances are given by Dourif as Billy Babbalanza and Will Sampson as the hapless strongman Chief Bromden.

In the leading role of the unbalanced Randle P. McMurphy Nicholson shows an acting range that can be matched by few other movie actors in the world.

Louise Fletcher, playing Nurse Ratched, a constant irritant to Nicholson's deranged character, subtly manages to be almost always unpleasant, often insensitive, but never resorting to caricature.

Film is directed by Milos Forman, the brilliant Czech director.

It is showing at Island Cinema on November 16, 17 and 19. Friday matinee has been withdrawn for lack of support.

Golf and Country Club. His wish to run for Islands Trust is his "Concern for Islanders. Everyone has a point of view, and that should be given its proper weight in any decisions that are made." He has no pre-conceived ideas about how the Trust should be run, he told a reporter.

Duncan was born in Shropshire, Scotland, then came to Niagara Falls, Ont. He worked with Ontario Hydro, then joined Robin Hood Flour Mills, in personnel and labour relations across Canada. From there he went to dock manager for National Harbours Board both in Ottawa, then retired early from Vancouver, when he was transferred there.

O.H. "SPARKIE" NEW

O.H. "Sparkie" New has lived almost all of his life on Galiano. His work took him and his wife and family to Vancouver for some time, but they have always spent summers and holidays on the Island. He has owned land here and has always considered Galiano his home.

"Being an Islander for so long, my concern for Islanders is deep, I do understand and are concerned for them," this is his reason for being a contender for a place on Islands Trust.

In 1957, "Sparkie" chartered the "Lady Rose" to serve the Gulf Islands following the finish of C.P.R. services here. In 1957, his company commissioned construction of the "Island Princess", which served the Islands until the beginning of B.C. Ferries service.

Mr. New is now on the board of Directors of Coast Ferries, which belongs to his son, Bill New, who is now the third generation of this family in shipping circles.

He is a past president of B.C. Towboat Owners Association, and that in the very beginning, was responsible for Air-Sea Rescue in B.C.

Interested in Island affairs, he hopes now to be active.

There's everything wrong with the lifeboat theory

BY MARY WILLIAMSON

Those who fear that God is dead may take comfort from the fact that His place has been taken by an agronomist named Paddock, author of a book called "Time of Famines".

Mr. Paddock is a subscriber to the lifeboat theory and on Sunday night, it was interesting to see him state his views in an otherwise sympathetic report on World Hunger. Needless to say in this context he was in a minority of one, and I hope he watched the complete show - his interview was spliced into the three sections of the Global Paper "The Fight For Food" presented on Channel 9. His opinions were described as "offensive" by an official of the World Bank, and they reminded me of a horrifying novel I read some time ago (titled "Triage").

In this book, a secret department is set up within the U.S. Government to study the problems of overpopulation and underproduction in the States. The solution is found in several steps: elimination of millionaires who have remained unproductive for a certain length of time; similar treatment of nursing-home residents without family or close friends; slum clearance by widespread fires in slum districts; a special car key which has to be inserted in a certain way - if clumsily or incorrectly done, the car explodes; a "happy pill" sold over the counter which eventually, after a certain dosage, kills. The list went on and on, and was a tribute to the author's ingenuity.

But not to his morality! Except that it is almost certain that the author is trying to alert us to what could happen - not what he believes should happen.

You think this is a far-fetched, science-fiction type plot? I thought so too, until I heard exponents of the lifeboat theory giving their views on world hunger. They believe that the hungriest should be allowed to starve to death, thus reducing overcrowding in the Third World; that those who can be helped with minimum effort - those who can help to row the boat - should be given the food they need - not real aid so they could become self-supporting. That's too dangerous, as they might become nationalistic or revolutionary! But it's O.K. to strengthen them just enough to row the boat for us, then we can relax and enjoy the fruits of their labours.

Well, what's wrong with that?

Sometimes it's great to be a Christian! Because it's wonderful to be able to say with enthusiasm and certainty, "Everything!" (Some answers are much harder to find!)

The lifeboat theory is wrong in a practical sense because the premise is wrong. We are not in a small lifeboat with only enough food and water for a few. We are on a spaceship, Earth, where there is enough food and water for a few. We are on a spaceship, Earth, where there is enough food for all if it is properly distributed. And there could be enough clean fresh water for all, within reach of all, if countries spent half as much money on cleaning and distributing water as they do on the manufacture and distribution of weapons of war.

When you hear people expounding the lifeboat theory, ask them what they use as criteria for judging who should live and who

should die. Don't ask them by what right they judge - they'll tell you it's self-preservation. Sometimes these people are elderly, sometimes they're not too well. Sometimes they are even unproductive (to coin a phrase!) - but I've never

More Food for Thought

yet heard one say, "Oh, I would be among the first to go!" It's always "that bunch over there".

They talk about overcrowding in the Third World, ignoring the fact that population densities are greater in Europe than in India. They talk about birth control, without considering that each North American uses twenty times as much of the world's resources as

our Third World brothers and sisters. (And we waste even more.)

Ask them to use pollution production as a criterion!

Mr. Paddock is an agronomist, and agronomy deals with the distribution of land "as the wealth of a nation" says my dictionary. Not, obviously, as it affects the well-being of people. The difference between people and a nation is at the root of much of the discussion on Sunday's programme. If you missed it, try to watch the second and third parts on Thursday and Saturday, both on Channel 9.

Have you registered for Sister Bede's bread-making on Saturday, December 2? Alice Andress, Virginia Newman and I will be delighted to take your names.



FOR REGIONAL DIRECTOR

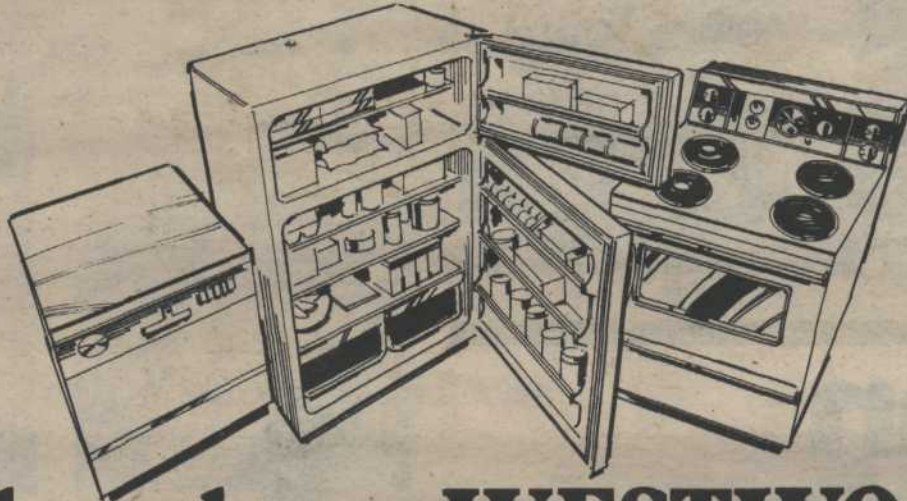
There is no comprehensive survey of the water resources of the island in existence at the present time. Co-ordinating the work of the various water boards, without limiting their activities, is therefore a matter of priority. Groundwater studies will also be important to well users as well as those served by water systems.

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Duncan, William, retired. Nominated by Hall Tingley and Archibald Georgeson.



New, Oswald H., retired. Nominated by Fred Robson and Leonore Day.



Ron Thompson, retired. Nominated by Lorna Tweedale and G.P. Helby-Sele.



Geehan, Isabel H., Businesswoman. Nominated by Len Chatwin and Nancy Rainsford.



Mundie, John A., retired. Nominated by William Ferguson and Cecile Gardner.

Pender Islands . . . School Board



Stanley, Bruce, school teacher. Nominated by Lynn Fearn and Helena Turner.



Zacharias, John, retired teacher. Nominated by Lucille Henshaw and Stephen Kirk.

As an unprecedented number of candidates seeks election in the Gulf Islands this year, Islands Trust holds the widest attention.

On all islands there is an election for two local trustees.

On Salt Spring Island the

election for regional director follows the death of Jim Bryce this summer.

Salt Spring Island and Pender Islands are engaged in a school trustee contest.

Saturna also has a second vote

as ratepayers in the Boot Cove - Lyall Harbour area decide a referendum to take over the water system with a new operation.

Following are the candidates for Saturna's elections in the various island communities:

North Pender . . . Islands Trust



Leblanc, Emile R. retired. Nominated by Mel Carrico and Bertha Mathews.



Passmore, Alexander G. retired. Sponsored by R.B. Allison and A. Ross-Smith.



Wallace, Gordon G., retired. Nominated by Ashton Ross-Smith and Eric Chisholm.

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