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CABINET MEETING IN ISLANDS CONSTITUENCY

When the provincial cabinet came to Saanich and the Islands last week it was the first time for many years. The minister of health, Robert McLelland visited Salt Spring Island on Wednesday and turned the first sod for the new hospital. The Cabinet attended a social gathering at Sidney on Wednesday

evening and on Thursday the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce met Transportation Minister Sam Bawlf. At the same time Premier Bennett arranged a press conference for newspapers published in the constituency. Following the conference the Premier jogged around the school track at a North

Saanich school. In the afternoon the Cabinet met at Saanich Municipal Hall and Municipal Affairs Minister Hugh Curtis, member for Saanich and the Islands was invited to assume the office of Mayor of Saanich for a few moments. It is an office he held for a number of years.

Cabinet here in 1960

- Ferry brief

Last time the Cabinet met in the islands constituency was on July 14, 1960; when Premier WAC Bennett and his ministers came to Ganges on Salt Spring Island.

At that meeting the Cabinet accepted a brief presented jointly by the Salt Spring Island, Galiano Island and Pender Island Chambers of Commerce, the Mayne Island Farmers' Institute and the Saturna Island Community Club. Brief called on the government to bring the Gulf Islands ferry services into the British Columbia system of ferries.

The final paragraphs of the brief read: ".....therefore we would respectfully suggest that our request for the incorporation of the Gulf Islands Ferry Co. (1951) Ltd. service into the Provincial Government system of ferries is in line with the Government policy of considering ferry services as highway links, and as such, should be placed under the administration of the department of highways."

It was the first time in history that a Cabinet meeting had been held in the Gulf Islands. Ministers arrived at Fulford at midday and were met by Desmond Crofton, president of the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce. Cavalcade of cars escorted the ministers to Harbour House Hotel, where the Cabinet meeting was held.

Students fly to Quebec

Thirty Islands students have left to become bilingual.

In Trois Rivières there are nine students from Salt Spring Elementary School; 19 from Gulf Islands Secondary School and two from Saturna Elementary.

They are not attending the week-end session of the Parti Quebecois. The students are there for a two-week immersion course in French.

Accompanying the students are Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wright, both Salt Spring Island teachers.

Candidate



JIM MANLY

Jim Manly, NDP candidate in the coming federal election, will speak to an election meeting on Mayne Island on February 13, at 2 pm.

The public meeting is to be held in the Agricultural Hall, and a full question and discussion period will be held, so that all in attendance will have a better chance to get to know the candidate and feed their concerns back to him.

Association elects eight directors

Eight directors were elected to the executive of the Salt Spring Island Community Planning Association when about 50 people attended the annual meeting Monday evening.

There are 14 directors on the executive, seven are elected every year to serve two-year terms. There was one position left vacant by the resignation of Malcolm Legg, who had a year left to serve.

New directors are Sam Lightman, Bud Kreissl, Jack Clements, Bill Toulmin, Betty Joy Ward and Gavin Reynolds. Re-elected were Al Black and Betty Galt. Retiring are James Raeside, Henry Caldwell, Jonathan Yardley, I. Shank and Quentin Wilson.

No digging yet

What price sewers?

When Wilf Peck, secretary-treasurer of Gulf Islands School District, was asked whether the sewer project in Ganges would have any effect on school building, his reply was terse.

He hadn't seen any digging yet.

Gulf Islands Intermediate and Personal Care facility

Minister of Health turns first sod

The provincial Ministry of Health will not be responsible for injuries sustained by anyone who falls into the hole dug last week on the site of the new intermediate care unit at Ganges.

The warning came from health minister Bob McLelland last Wednesday when he was shovelling snow near Lady Minto Hospital. The minister had been invited to turn the first sod at the construction site but found he had to remove snow first. About a dozen people were present for the ceremony.

The construction project has been let to Peterson Construction of Cowichan. Their bid of \$149,400 was the lowest out of eight tenders submitted. Architect for the project is Raymond Goldsworthy, of Victoria.

Chairman of the Gulf Islands Intermediate and Personal Care Society, Mrs. Lorraine Campbell of Saturna Island, said Thursday it is hoped that the building will be completed by October. When the building is ready for use, however, will depend on whether or not the sewer system is in.



Financing for the 50-bed facility is from a Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation mortgage. Furnishings for the bedrooms are expected to cost \$1,000 for each one and will have to be provided through donations. Mrs. Campbell

said that a number of donations have already been received.

A donation in the amount of \$60,000 has been made by the Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary for furnishing the main lounge and dining room.

Ferries are highways says Premier Bennett at Sidney

- Subsidy to stay

Provincial government will not throw the islanders to the wolves. On Thursday morning Premier W.R. Bennett told Driftwood that the policy of his government is to provide a subsidy to all ferries and that the subsidy will always be geared to the cost of living.

"We treat the ferries as an extension of the highways system in British Columbia."

There had been pressures from various individuals and groups on the mainland to relinquish government subsidies for ferries.

The contribution towards ferries is based on the cost of living index in Vancouver, which is the highest in the province, the Premier observed.

Provincial cabinet paid a visit to Saanich-and-the-Islands on Thursday for a formal meeting in Saanich Municipal Hall. The meeting took in more Saanich than islands and

various islands spokesmen travelled to Saanich to take part in the historic meeting.

ANCIENT VESSELS

What is the government policy on replacing ferries, many of which are very ancient, asked Driftwood.

The Ferry Corporation is examining its future needs, replied Premier Bennett.

It was recalled that the Barrett government had consistently declined to consider the needs of the minor ferry runs in terms of vessel replacement and maintenance.

The Corporation is also looking at the possibility of alternatives in every phase of ferry transportation, added the Premier. He did not go into details of what the alternatives might be in terms of islands ferries.

Municipal Affairs Minister H.A. Curtis observed that the age of a vessel is no indication of its

condition. All the ferry fleet, are fully certificated and adequate for the service they perform, he noted.

PENDER QUEEN

He cited the Pender Queen, which is one of the oldest vessels in the provincial fleet. It is nevertheless a fully licensed vessel for its function.

Pender Queen is one of the oldest passenger vessels on the coast, having been originally built in 1926.

The problems of maintaining and replacing vessels are facing every ferry operator explained Premier Bennett. It is particularly evident in the Washington State Ferries system, he noted. The American service has operated with some very old ships. Now they need replacement, the cost is destined to be reflected in costs and fares throughout the system and it has been a shock to the people of Washington State.

Chamber looks at ratepayers group

Donald New is named to chamber at annual meeting

BY MARY HARDING

The annual meeting of the Galiano Chamber of Commerce was held at the hall, on February 4, with president, Mervin Ferguson in the chair.

Mr. Ferguson thanked his committee for their support during the year, and said that he has enjoyed this past year as chairman.

Charlie Gardner said that there is a healthy sum in the bank for the incoming committee. He has been the treasurer for the past year.

Roads chairman Jim Ripley reported that the Scoones Road Trail is near being started, and the parking facilities are now complete.

He gave thanks to Mr. C. Morshead for his co-operation in having the trail to Scoones Beach going alongside of his property.

Parks Chairman Charlie Dodwell, said that there have been no serious complaints during the past year. Mr. Ferguson said that S.A.M. took away a total of 240 old

cars during the summer.

LOTS OF SERVICE

Transportation chairman, Mary Harding, reported that we suffered some loss of service during the year, and letters of protest are sent to the ferry authority. This Chamber feels it is most important to impress upon the ferry authority the dependence of ferry transportation to our Islands.

The waiting room at Sturdies Bay has been improved, and during the festive season, a grand Christmas tree was most admired by all, thanks to Mr. Gardner and many helpers.

Publicity chairman, Joan Callaghan said that our brochures have been popular, but the new council will have to look into more for the coming year. Frank Greenhalgh, membership chairman, said that we have had a total of 140 members last year.

North Galiano chairman, Miriam Byngs, said that she was pleased with the co-operation and help given her to try to get Clanton Road opened up for them.

RATEPAYERS' GROUP

Some discussion then took place on the chamber becoming a ratepayers association, and it was decided to try to get a council member to be chairman of a ratepayers group.

Dr. T.F.H. Armitage then gave his report as chairman of the nominating committee, new president is D.A. New, vice-pres. Les Woodbridge, secretary, Mrs. Edith

He waited years to settle on Salt Spring Island

Following a lengthy illness Sydney Ray Colcutt passed away at Lady Minto Hospital, February 4.

Born in Vancouver in 1900 he worked as a telephone inspector for many years and was married in 1934 to Kathleen Champ.

Together the couple purchased land on the island in 1935 and in

1963 came to settle permanently. As an islander Mr. Colcutt was an active photographer.

He leaves his wife, Kathleen at home. No service will be held and flowers are declined in favour of donations to the B.C. Heart Foundation or the B.C. Cancer Fund.

Arrangements were made by Goodman Funeral Home.

Well-known restaurateur

Bob Marshall named as hotel manager

New manager at the Harbour House Hotel is Bob Marshall.

Marshall is no newcomer to the island and no novice at the operation of a hotel and restaurant.

Coming to Salt Spring Island from Victoria in 1964, Marshall left the Firestone Tyre and Rubber Co. to enjoy rural living. In 1965 he purchased the Ship's Anchor Inn which at the time was known as the Log Cabin.

The new restaurateur ran the hotel and restaurant for five years. He sold the Ganges operation to Mr. and Mrs. R. Foulis in 1970.

He was subsequently engaged in construction work on the island and worked briefly in an off-island travel agency.

Originally from Burnaby, Marshall has lived in both Victoria and Vancouver, but has been an islander for almost 15 years.

Mr. Marshall took over the management of the Harbour House February 1.

Wishart, Council, Joan Callaghan, C. Dodell, F. Greenhalgh, M. Byngs, J. Ripley, H. Knudson, and M. Harding.

Next meeting of the new council will be held at the school on February 8 at 7.30.



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I went to a dinner and dance. And I went without disguise. I thought of masquerading as Dr. Buckup, but I had no rubber boots.

Jacque Hagan is back from Hawaii. With any luck, her suntan should hold out until the sun shines on Salt Spring Island.

The joke was on the critics. Vesuvius Queen doesn't have to lock the heads because she is equipped with a holding tank. Only unanswered question is where does she let go?

It is pretty obvious to the rest of us that the Indian people of Vancouver Island didn't find Capt. Cook a friendly cove.

If you must watch television, watch John Diefenbaker and then Joe Clark. They have the Tory look about them. There's John G. with his face long since moulded in the conservative shape and there's Joe C. practicing the same look. Pity we couldn't get a movie of John A. and see how it started.

If you flaunt it, make sure you've got it!

There are two agencies in British Columbia eagerly watching every advertisement to catch you out.

There are two consumer ministries, one federal and one provincial and both are closely concerned with every advertisement that is published.

If an advertisement makes a false claim for the product or service it is selling, then the advertiser may get hurt. If the advertiser gets hurt, then the publishers of the medium in which the advertisement appeared may also get hurt.

And that really hurts.

A car buff advertises a 1956 Packard, for example and says, "Best car ever made by Packard or anybody else, and the last example available in British Columbia." He

has made two claims he can't substantiate. Whether it was the best model Packard is not much more than an opinion. But the statement that there is not another in the province is almost certainly his own sales hyperbole. He probably gets his knuckles rapped. So does the newspaper.

Advertise candies by the pound bag and sell them in 15 oz. packages and one of the agencies will be on to you if anyone complains.

Sounds like nothing, but it is surprising how many legal and quasi-legal demands a small newspaper gets to publish advertisements against the publisher's better judgment.

These regulations apply to every store advertising its commodities, but they can, equally, apply to any individual advertising something for sale.

And don't kid yourself that they are a bunch of dummies in those offices. There's a list comes out regularly a mile long listing individuals and companies who have been warned of or fined for misleading advertising.

So, if you flaunt it in print, make sure you've got it.

Heart Fund will provide help if islander needs surgery for heart

He can't launch a boat by himself, explained the keen fisherman. He has to get a nitro pill, quick. The pain becomes an agony until the nitro-glycerine relieves it.

Sure, he's heard of heart surgery, but he's heard of people dying after an operation.

If he talked with Chuck Longueay, chairman of the Islands Heart Fund, he might change his mind. Or he might hold the same view, because it's his privilege to make his own decisions.

But Longueay is a warm advocate of heart surgery after having been released from invalidism to a nearly normal life.

Heart Month opened on February 1. The drive in the islands will open February 13. Islanders will be invited to donate to the campaign to help victims of heart trouble.

One adult in four suffers some form of heart disease. The Heart Foundation raises money to fight the disease by additional research

and by education and by other means.

If any islander is convinced that he is immune from heart trouble, he is lucky, but some of his friends might be less fortunate.

Not every resident of the islands will understand the research or the costs involved and not every resident will connect them up with the islands. But the Heart Fund comes closer to home than that.

If a resident of the islands is stricken with a heart complaint and must undergo surgery, the Fund will provide assistance for the spouse to stay in the hospital community and it will pay transportation.....anywhere. -F.G.R.

Lady Minto and all that

Lady Minto Hospital is Lady Minto Hospital and nothing is going to change it.

The new intermediate and personal care hospital was sparked by Lady Minto Hospital board.

It will be build adjacent to Lady Minto Hospital. It will share some of the services of Lady Minto Hospital. But it will not be Lady Minto Hospital.

A spokesman for the old hospital explains that the old hospital should not be confused with the new hospital.

The old hospital is Lady Minto Hospital.

The new hospital ain't there yet. But it won't be Lady Minto.

Winnie Hayhurst is feted on eve of departure

BY ELSIE BROWN

Members of the Agricultural Society spent an enjoyable social evening Thursday, Jan. 26, at the Agricultural Hall to honour Winnie Hayhurst, who is leaving the island shortly to reside in the Okanagan.

The presentation of a Life Membership in the Agricultural Society and an engraved silver serving dish was made by the president, Marjorie Haggart along with the best wishes of the mem-

bers and many friends of the guest of honour.

Mrs. Hayhurst was a member of the executive and director of Mayne Island Agricultural Society for many years and won the Matthews Trophy for Domestic Science for six years in a row at the Annual Fall Fair.

Besides her faithful service in the Agricultural Society, Mrs. Hayhurst has contributed many hours at the Thrift Shop Saturday afternoons.

Winnie was noted for her beautiful patchwork quilts and she will also be remembered for her lovely knitted items and sewing.

Winnie and John expect to leave the island sometime in February and they will be greatly missed by their many friends on Mayne and elsewhere. Best wishes are extended to them in their new home.

Young victim of accident

Victim of a road accident on January 25, China Goodhue, is reported to be in poor condition at the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Staff at the Victoria hospital report that the 14-month-old girl "seemed to be holding her own".

China Goodhue was thrown from the backseat of a car when it was struck broadside two weeks ago; outside the School Board office.

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Opposition to school

When trustees of Gulf Islands School District made plans for a new school at Fernwood, they acted without any idea of the opposition they would meet.

The school board purchased the property, drew up plans and called tenders. Then the volcano erupted. A number of residents, as well as the teachers' association, objected to the type of activity room at the projected school. A meeting was called to consider pressing the trustees for a community referendum whereby additional funds could be raised from the area to finance expansion of the activity room and provision of extra facilities.

Meeting which opened to consider augmenting the school closed with the decision that the school should never have been contemplated there.

Parents have charged that the location is wrong by virtue of its geography; that the classrooms are not needed; that the quality of instruction will be lower; that more children will be required to travel the school buses.

School trustees were urged last week to turn off the job, refuse to let a tender and sell the land. A new primary school in the Ganges area is what is needed, stated spokesmen for the parents.

This appears to be one of the unexpected legacies of the changes in financing of school projects. The recent NDP government enacted legislation whereby a referendum was no longer required. The result is that a board may spend a long time considering a project without ever announcing its plans.

This week will probably bring the school board's reply to the protests from Fernwood.

Night traffic

The hazard exists in the islands at all times of the year, but it is never more dangerous to walk on the highways than at the present time.

The grey of rain and fog restricts the vision of all drivers. The habit of pedestrians of wearing drab clothing merely emphasizes the hazard. An approaching car with its headlights on completes the ingredients necessary for a serious or fatal accident.

If you must walk on the road at night, wear light-coloured clothing and carry a flashlight.

Better take the trouble to live than be a statistic in the morgue. The choice lies with the walker.

Showing strength

It is a long, long way to Ottawa but from this distance of several hundred miles, one detail comes to us very clearly.

When he was introducing himself as the new Solicitor-General, Mr. Jean Jacques Blais explained that there was no value to be derived from a daily analysis in the House of Commons of every word and every blow of the RCMP Commission.

Opposition leaders, and others, have been weeping for days. It has not only been one of the hottest conversation pieces to hit Ottawa in a long time, it is the first script offering good parts to half the house since television came into the House of Commons.

It is difficult to answer Mr. Blais' remarks with anything other than acclaim. He is so right that the business of running the country should be of greater importance than the posturing of politicians on the national stage. This is particularly so when the daily rehash of crime commissions has no value to Parliament or to television audiences than to pander to popular salacious appetites.

It is an interesting show of strength.

Letters to the Editor

BIG HIKE

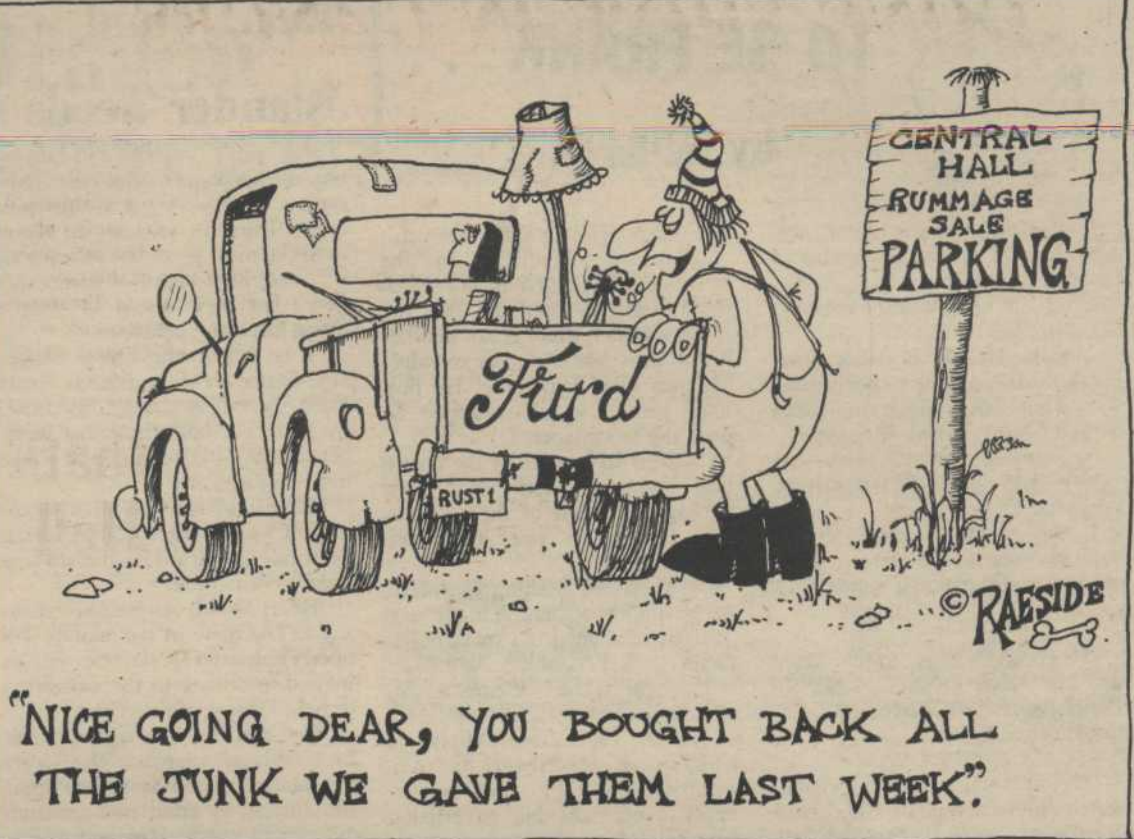
The deception being practiced by B.C. Hydro in its announcement of its latest rate increase is unacceptable.

Not only is the increase going to be more pennies a day for the average family of four than B.C. Hydro says it will be, but those

pennies add up to \$8.10 or a 14% increase on a typical bill.

Even worse is the plight of the homeowner who also heats with electricity because no matter how much insulation they have installed, their heating bill will jump 25%.

A government that expects this provinces workers and business to



"NICE GOING DEAR, YOU BOUGHT BACK ALL THE JUNK WE GAVE THEM LAST WEEK."

observe the ALB programme but refuses to show leadership by including its own agencies in the programme is not worthy of support.

Jev. Tothill
Advisor on Tourism and Travel to B.C. Liberal Leader
Gordon Gibson
Feb. 6, 1978

A GOOD SCHOOL

Sir,
North Vesuvius School was a good little school, out the North End.

It even had central heating which was a pot bellied stove in the centre of the classroom.

There was good recreational facilities provided by the school board too - in those days - we had a bat and a ball - which lasted for years because, every time the stitching broke, someone would take the ball home and sew it up with twine. Great care was taken not to break the bat cause we didn't have another. We were not under-privileged because we had the great outdoors and there were lots of interesting things to do all year round, that kids did in those days.

G. Howland
R.R. 1 Ganges
February 6, 1977

UNSPOILED ISLANDS

Sir,
Up the Strait a ways we are indeed concerned over the unchecked growth of B.C. Hydro, most specifically their proposed 500 KV strait-crossing transmission lines mentioned by Tony Richards in the January 18 Driftwood.

Lasqueti and her sister islands are remarkably unspoiled. The residents work hard to live there and appreciate what they have. They cringe at the prospect of exposing themselves to publicity but the quality of their physical existence is so intimately threatened, and their idealogies are so enraged by this overwhelming proposition that they feel it necessary to speak out and say STOP. Enough Growth. Let's make our whole energy system more efficient and let's start with BC Hydro.

I do not want to see the islands and property owners along the proposed Texada - Jedidiah - Bull - Lasqueti route exploited. Landowners here, whose intent is to preserve some geographically and climatically unique, delicately balanced and inherently precious ecological gems, have noble sentiments, heart felt principles, backed up with hard-earned money. These commitments would be rendered worthless by BC Hydro's expropriation, clear-cutting and herbicide tactics.

From the corporation's own statistics it becomes obvious that

Vancouver Island doesn't need the extra power capacity. The lines will provide power far in excess of the needs indicated by the projected peak load growth rates. It seems we are pawns in a game that may be setting Vancouver Island up for nuclear power plants to power big business and industrialization.

More jobs? Yes, an influx of people, including many who will hope for an opportunity and not find it (i.e. be unemployed) Meanwhile the whole area suffers the ramifications of a further population explosion: suburbanization, pollution, crowding, higher costs.

On the face of it, electrical power appears cheaper than people power, but where does that leave us? Out of a job, and incidentally subsidizing B.C. Hydro's growth both through our power bills and our taxes. (Hydro is responsible for 69% of the provincial debt, although it produces only 11% of the energy used in the province).

My plea is Stop the growth. Let's promote efficiency. Reverse the rate structure to encourage conservation on the part of the 'big boys' and to generate financial support for the existing power supply.

Large corporations have what it takes to make things go their way: money, people in the government, a system of "favour" exchange. They have much power and are responsible for much economic growth, but we the people need to have some control over them to prevent abuse of that power by ruthless executives. What right has Big Business to form our future? What's good for BC Hydro is not necessarily good for the majority of

Car thieves

Car thieves didn't succeed in an attempted car theft last Thursday.

Toyota, owned by A. Buckley of Ganges, was almost stolen on the night of February 3.

Auto thieves were away before any pursuit could be made.

British Columbians.

Even Mr. Nash (Corporate Affairs, and Executive Assistant to Bonner) says, "...the conclusion of controversy should properly be a political decision". Unfortunately, Hydro is subject to exceedingly little regulation. It can ignore the B.C. Energy Commission, the B.C. Energy Board, the Environmental Lands Use Committee, and the Islands Trust. Hydro is free to do what it wants; but its debts are guaranteed by the province. Corporate executives are said to have a "games mentality"; they will abide by the rules if there are rules, but only if there are. We must make the rules.

We must urge our governments to inform themselves as to what Hydro is up to, and draft a code to protect us from exploitation. Meanwhile, we must become aware of how we are being taken advantage of. Power to the people! Please write our governments and let them know we are concerned.

For some names and addresses and some "enlightening tidbits", write Information Newsletter, c/o Jodi Ayres, Lasqueti Island, B.C. V0R 2J0

Rosalind Hildred
Lasqueti Island, BC V0R 2J0
January 27, 1978

Church Services

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1978

ANGLICAN

Ash Wednesday

St. George's Ganges Holy Communion 5 pm
St. Mark's Central Special Service 7 pm

St. George's Ganges Family Eucharist 9.30 am
St. Mary's Fulford Holy Eucharist 11.15 am

Daily: Mon.-Fri.

St. George's Ganges Morning Prayer 7.15 am

Weekly: Wednesdays

St. George's Ganges Holy Communion 5.00 pm

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Our Lady of Grace Ganges Holy Mass 9.00 am
St. Paul's Fulford Holy Mass 11.15 am

UNITED

Dr. V. McEachern Ganges Worship Service 10.30 am
Box 330 Fellowship Hour 11.30 am
537-5812 (church) An Hour of Sharing and Caring 6.30 pm

COMMUNITY

Mr. L. Sheppard Ganges Sun. Sch.-all ages 10.30 am
537-2622 (church) Box 61 Evening Service 7.30 pm
Sat. Bible Study 7.30 pm

MAYNE ISLAND

St. Mary Magdalene Sundays 11.30 am

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Sunday, 3 pm in the school
Bible Study, Friday in the homes 7.30 pm

GONG SHOW IN GANGES

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To raise funds for Central Hall project

BY BEVIS WALTERS

The Gong Show will take place at the Activity Centre this Sunday at 3 pm.

The fact that Randy Blanchette is to be the master of ceremonies is in itself a guarantee of success, for whatever Randy takes on, succeeds and he has few equals. He will preside over a group of talented entertainers who will provide mirth melody and perhaps the mysterious as well, for there are to be two mystery guests, each outstanding in his (or her) field, but who they are and what they do is shrouded in secrecy.

IN HOLLYWOOD

The Gong Show was first devised and presented in Hollywood, and it is believed that the one to be seen in Ganges on Sunday next, will be the very first time it is seen live here in Canada. Of course it is not the Hollywood Show, but the talent at present listed on the program ensures great entertainment. The panel of judges, headed

by Dr. Guille Libresco, with Wilf Davies, and Ray Hill will provide a show in itself when they Gong some of the acts. The whole audience will be invited to take part in deciding who will be booed and who will be gonged.

Local students from the Ele-

mentary School will be performers. Mothers, sisters, aunts and cousins will all be in the act, and fun will be the order of the day. Tickets are on sale at Etcetera Stationers, and the proceeds will be donated to the Central Hall Appeal Fund.

A small hall ball and that's all at island's Central Hall

Madness Inc. presents the Second Annual "Small Hall Ball" featuring the Loyal Central Salt Spring Temperance and Dixieland Jazz Ensemble at Central Hall on Saturday, Feb. 25 at 8.30 pm.

Due to the limited capacity of the hall, tickets are "advanced sale" only, available at Et Cetera bookstore. Proceeds will go to the Central Hall Building Fund.

The evening's entertainment will include dancing to the music of the LCSST and DJE and several

"show pieces" by variety acts. Refreshments will be available.

The "Ensemble" recently performed a concert in St. George's Hall and has been well-received at various other outings during its two-year existence.

Members include Tony Knight, trombone; David Stacey, cornet; Ray Hill, gutbucket; Bill Smith, drums and Virginia, Ray, and Amy Newman on piano, reeds, and vocals, respectively.

January snow

Dry month on Mayne Island and very little sunshine

Generally speaking, January was a dry month reports Walter Hunt-Sowrey, weather observer at Mayne Island, despite the number of days showing precipitation.

On half the days the total precipitation was less than one-tenth of an inch, and several had only one-hundredth. There were two periods of snow, at the beginning and the end of the month, the latter stretching into February.

The first period gave a maxi-

mum of six inches on the ground, with almost no drifting. At the end of the month there was 1.6 ins., still continuing.

There was very little sunshine; two days at the beginning of the month, and scattered sunshine through the rest of the month. There was a particularly sunny day on the 22nd.

"As the figures show, we have had more snow than the previous two years, but 1975 gave us heavier snowfall," he concluded his report.

	1978	1977	1976
Snowfall	7.8 ins.	1.6 ins.	NIL
Rainfall	2.96 ins.	2.61 ins.	5.98 ins.
Total Precipitation	3.74 ins.	2.77 ins.	5.98 ins.
Maximum Temperature	8 C	10 C.	10 C.
Minimum Temperature	-7 C.	-5 C.	-3 C.
Maximum Pressure	30.09 ins.	30.14 ins.	30.21 ins.
Minimum Pressure	29.00 ins.	29.75 ins.	29.56 ins.
Maximum Humidity	74%	72%	65%
Minimum Humidity	68%	64%	58%
Days with Precipitation	24	13	21
Days with Frost	12	13	8

Salt Spring Song

I've travelled this country from ocean to ocean
Such richness I've seen could never be told
But not till I first set my eyes on this island
Did I look on a greenness that glittered like gold

Outsmile the dew on the grass in the springtime
Outlaugh the rain on the cedar tree
Nowhere else that I want to go travelling
Salt Spring Island is the place for me

Ask broccoli, strawberries, nettles and peppers
Ask cherries and apples and mushrooms and peas
You can set all your sails for Venus or Pluto
There's no finer island on seventy seas

Eagle calls in the song of the mountain
Chickens and goats within smell of the sea
Things go together in mirth and in magic
And nothing goes better than Salt Spring and me

Outsmile the dew on the grass in the springtime
Outlaugh the rain on the cedar tree
Nowhere else I want to go searching
Salt Spring Island is the place for me

People will often talk before listening
They think that their story will never go stale
But give them a little sweet sojourn on Salt Spring
And soon they'll forget to remember their tale

You have to try hard to feel bad on this island
It's hard to avoid the smiles and hellos
The people are made as a hatful of rabbits
On Salt Spring Island anything goes.

Outsmile the dew on the grass in the springtime
Outlaugh the rain on the cedar tree
Nowhere else that I want to go searching
Salt Spring Island is the place for me.

- Dan Jason

Poster winners

Judging of the Mary Hawkins Library poster contest took place Friday afternoon.

Judge was island artist, Harold Dobson.

First prize was awarded to Deirdre Leighton for her entry depicting a bookworm. Sheralin Cook received second prize for the poster of the tree of knowledge.

The book purchase vouchers will be presented to the young artists at the Annual Meeting of the Library. Meeting will be at St. George's Parish Hall at 3.15 pm on February 15.

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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE GULF ISLANDS

Re: Fernwood Elementary School

On February 7, 1978 the Gulf Islands Board of School Trustees opened tenders on a 1/2 million dollar school which has been vigorously opposed by families in the designated area of attendance.

A survey by signed ballot was taken and 78% of the area's families do not want this school built.

- * Three out of five classrooms at Fernwood will contain split grade classes of 20 or more students.
- * Split class situations will be increased at Salt Spring Elementary as a result of several teachers being transferred to Fernwood.
- * Bus scheduling will become more complicated and many students will spend an hour's bus ride to or from school.
- * Pedestrian traffic near Fernwood Elementary will be hazardous on narrow and winding roads.
- * Fernwood Elementary will not be able to offer learning opportunities comparable to Salt Spring Elementary until a number of years have been spent accumulating inventory in classroom, library and physical education areas.
- * The activity room will require an additional \$85,000 of taxpayers money in order to compete with Salt Spring Elementary's facilities.
- * Elementary school population has decreased on Salt Spring Island since its peak in 1975-76.
- * A community of limited economic resources cannot afford to duplicate its educational facilities.

It is not the intention of the Fernwood Parents' Group to inflict hardship but rather to ask that the Trustees take time to re-think the problem of handling student population and come up with a viable alternative that will make good sense now and in the future.

Attention All Gardeners

An Invitation from The Salt Spring Island Garden Club to ALL Gardeners

Here is your Opportunity to put garden questions in person to

**Horticulturist
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Meeting will be held in the lower hall of the Ganges United Church February 15, at 8 pm.

Door Prize given.

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Elementary Days

News and views from Salt Spring Elementary School

HONOUR ROLL

Salt Spring Elementary

The following students have been selected for the Honour Roll at Salt Spring Elementary.

These students had at least a B+ average in their studies in Grade 6 and 7 and some had straight A's. They also gained points for their respective houses: Ken Marr, Alpha; Caroline Andress, Gamma; Cathy Christianson, Gamma; Sara Wiebe, Gamma; Wendy Severn, Alpha; Monik Norpine, Delta; Heather Rooke, Beta; Ingrid Temmel, Alpha; Gordon Hitchcock, Beta; Marnie Dammel, Gamma.

THE VOYAGEUR

On January 17th, Guy E. Randall made a great presentation for the school.

Mr. Randall displayed many furs that made Canada famous during the fur trade in early history. He also brought 200 fantastic slides for the students to watch.

He explained the 1967 Centennial canoe trip and showed the other nine people who re-enacted Sir Alexander MacKenzie's trip from St. John, B.C. to Expo, Montreal. They covered 5,400 miles with a wolf-dog named Lobo.

After the presentation there was a 15-minute question period when the students asked their questions. Mr. Randall displayed a muzzle-loading rifle and gave out autographs for students.

- Graham Lee, Gr. 6
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THE BARBER OF SEVILLE

On February 2, the Vancouver Opera Society presented The Barber of Seville to the Elementary students.

The opera starts off with the music composed by Gioacchino Antonio Rossini. He is very famous for the music played throughout the opera.

The characters are Count Almaviva (Tenor): A rich young noble-

man; Rosina (soprano): an attractive young girl; Doctor Bartolo (bass): an old doctor, the guardian of Rosina; Don Basilio (bass): a music teacher and busybody friend of Doctor Bartolo; Figaro (baritone) a barber and factotum of Seville; Berta (soprano): Doctor Bartolo's maid.

The Count of Almaviva loves Rosina and would like to marry her. But, he doesn't want her to know.

Doctor Bartolo doesn't want anyone in the house because the doctor himself wants to marry Rosina because she is going to inherit a lot of money. After many humorous scenes of tricks and fights, the Count of Almaviva marries Rosina and lives happily ever after.

We thought that the cast did a good job of singing and acting. We would like to see them again.

- By Andrew H. and Sean Logan

Ditched in ice

Kathy Jones of Scott Road hit ice on the road, off-island last week.

While driving in her 1973 Renault only three miles south of Swartz Bay, near Sidney Mrs. Jones lost control and slid into the ditch.

Accident occurred last Wednesday at noon and was later reported to Ganges RCMP. The Renault suffered \$200 worth of damage and driver escaped injury.

Saturna Scene

BY KUKLOS

The donations made to St. Christopher's Church on Saturna in memory of Clarice Warlow were very much appreciated.

Dr. Andrew Swan of Victoria who has been making regular visits to the island for a few months (alternating with Dr. Maureen Piercey, also of Victoria) has decided to discontinue his practice here.

The fishing derby held recently proved a very popular event. Prizes on behalf of both Lawson's and Wick's store were awarded. Gerry Schular and Harvey Janszen were lucky, as were Shawn Crooks and Warren Paulin, in the Kids' division.

Harvey was happy to welcome wife Priscilla home from Tennessee where she had spent the holiday season with her mother, sister and niece.

Karen and Kaliya Muntean flew to Idaho for a visit with Karen's mother.

Jack and Evelyn Saunders were glad to see son Jimmy over from the Mainland for a while.

PROGRAM UNDER WAY

The Cultural Programme at the school is officially underway. Taking part are: Gloria Smith teaching yoga and natural foods; Marjory Ratzlaff with knitting; Flo Ratzlaff, Macrame; Terri Siemens and Juanita Hutton-Potts, cooking; Bob Wilkinson, carpet bowling; Frank Neumann, woodworking; Teresa Mayes, Spanish; Rod Evans, balsa hand-launched gliders; Taimi Hindmarch, filmstrip reading, and Michael Hayes, film making.

The program will continue till March 1.

The Bernice and Barry Crooks family, with Art and Karen Boser, Irene and Bill Lawson, and Marie McMahon travelled to Mayne Island to celebrate Clifford's birthday with a festive dinner.

The Upholstery Class, under

Some people would call it

Baloney ... by Tony

Despite the optimism shown by West Coast Oil Ports Inquiry commissioner, Dr. Andrew Thompson, it appears that the federal government has no wish to see the inquiry re-convened. Yet the need for the inquiry is still there, now that Kitimat Pipe Line Ltd. has renewed its application for an oil port and pipeline terminal.

The inquiry should be reconvened at a relatively early date in order to deal with the many difficult issues of such great concern to Canada, said Dr. Thompson late last month.

Meanwhile, however, federal Minister of State, Jean Marchand, has refused to guarantee the continuation of the Oil Ports Inquiry if the Kitimat proposal is not rejected immediately.

The Kitimat Oil Coalition does not think it likely that the inquiry will continue after March 31.

"We think it is going to be quite difficult to resurrect the inquiry at an early date in view of the position that various ministers are taking," the coalition said in a statement issued January 27.

NEW TERMS

"Since Dr. Thompson recessed the inquiry on November 8," the statement noted, "the ministers who drafted the amended order-in-council that essentially changed his terms of reference, placed new terms in there which did not coincide with arrangements they had originally made with him."

When Dr. Thompson returned to Vancouver, he was under the firm understanding that he had an

open-ended inquiry with no deadline and that either he or the ministers could re-convene the inquiry."

However, the commissioner had been given a March 31 deadline and he must consult with the ministers before re-convening the inquiry.

Dr. Thompson has said that he understands the National Energy Board to be planning on hearing the Kitimat application after completion of a review of oil supply and demand. That review is expected to be completed by September.

This has been interpreted to mean that only the National Energy Board and not the Oil Ports Inquiry, would assess the Kitimat proposal, Dr. Thompson has said.

"What some people do not understand is that the Energy Board hears only that portion of the application relating to the construction of a land pipeline," said the commissioner. "It remains up to this inquiry to assess the implications of the marine terminal and tanker traffic."

The Kitimat Oil Coalition sees it as an elimination of the Thompson Inquiry with the National Energy Board taking its place. This, the coalition feels, would be removing the forum for the people and providing a forum for the oil companies.

PRETTY NEGATIVE

The Kitimat Oil Coalition, in communication with the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources, had suggested the possibility of funding public interest groups at the Energy Board hearings. The department was "pretty negative about this possibility" reports the coalition.

"We would have to make a very strong case in order for the coalition, which is not an established, recognized energy-oriented group, to appear as a major participant."

There is, no doubt, a lot of negative feeling about the West Coast Oil Ports Inquiry on the parts of both the federal government and the public. The fact that the inquiry used up the money allotted to it before the hearings were concluded must be a contributing factor to this feeling.

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Salt Spring Island Parks & Recreation Commission This Week in Recreation

SOCCER:

Division 1B: Sunday, February 12, Salt Spring Orange Exhibition games T.B.A.


Division 3A: Sunday, February 12th Salt Spring Rotary Canadians

Division 5B: Saturday, February 11th. League make-up game T.B.A. Salt Spring Cablevision Kicks

Senior Girls Division: Saturday, February 11th. Second round games (Section B) Salt Spring Wanderers T.B.A.

Intra-Island Division:

Feb. 9th (Thurs.)	Cosmos vs Wildcats	3.30 pm
	Goblins vs Hornets	
Feb. 14 (Tues.)	Red Devils vs Wildcats	3.30 pm
	Cosmos vs Hornets	
Feb. 16 (Thurs.)	Hornets vs Wildcats	3.30 pm
	Goblins vs Red Devils	
Feb. 21 (Tues.)	Red Devils vs Hornets	3.30 pm
	Goblins vs Cosmos	



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Isle-phia?

Something brought them here to island

BY MAGGIE SCHUBART
Isle-Philia?

The term is meant to mean "a deep-seated attraction for islands".

In the "yea" column we register Bert and Molly Downer who have recently become full-time Salt Spring Island residents.

The isle of Wight, Britain, Montreal, Vancouver Island, and now Salt Spring all figure in the geography of Bert's life.

Molly's list is shorter,-- including Vancouver Island where she was born in Victoria, and moving over to Salt Spring, where the Downers have been property owners and part-time residents for over four years.

"We came over to this island one day in the early '70's," they said in a recent interview, "and just fell in love with the place": a familiar phrase for many of us who have done likewise!

PHYSIOTHERAPY

Bert is a chartered physiotherapist. The explanation of this title is that there are three categories of practitioner in the field: chartered physiotherapist, qualified to manipulate; registered physiotherapist and masseur. There are many islanders to attest to the spectacular improvements in sore backs, strained necks, stiff joints and other ailments that have benefited from appointments with him while the Downers were part-time resi-

dents.

Downer's hands are his only therapeutic tools. Gentle, but firm, massage explores the troubled

specialized tactile mode of communication for the blind, in addition to the normal curriculum.

He went from the boarding

from experience," he will volunteer in discussing his background.

TO SOLARIUM

After practicing in England and Scotland, he came to Canada, eventually arriving in Victoria to take up an appointment to the staff of the Queen Alexandra Solarium for Crippled Children. In 1958, he went into private practice and soon found himself working 16 hours a day.

Mrs. Downer has played an important role in the smooth functioning of that practice, acting as office manager, stenographer and accountant. Before she assumed this role, she was a legal stenographer and secretary to the Victoria City Attorney.

Their sharing goes far beyond professional interests. They both love walking and hiking, going out in their small rowboat, gardening, playing their Hammond organ. They are delighted with Salt Spring Island, and, like so many of us, want its rural character preserved and enhanced.

Mrs. Downer comments, "I'd like to avoid using the car on the island. Do you think there'll ever be a mini-bus service? Maybe we'll have to compromise and get a Mo-ped to take into Ganges for errands!"

Whatever their mode of trans-

port, the Downers are counting on living here as he recommends to his patients (no more 16-hour days). "Take enough time; relax; avoid tension; try to be in harmony with nature;" all manifestations of isle-phia!



Mr. and Mrs. Bert Downer...home at last!

area, identifies the problem, relaxes and persuades muscles and joints to function and relate as they were designed to do.

COMPENSATES

Bert is blind and he feels that this handicap has forced him to develop other faculties such as the sense of touch, hearing and overall attentiveness, to a greater degree than most people find necessary. These qualities, along with a real enthusiasm for meeting and working with lots of different people, help him in his profession.

Memory enters into it too for, though he records details of each patient's development at the end of each treatment, he is able to identify people's problems from memory long after he has treated them.

Downer's training began when he was four-and-a-half years old. He was sent away to boarding school at that early age to try to pre-compensate for educational difficulties that would arise from his lack of sight. He began his acquaintance with Braille, the spe-

school to the London Royal Normal College to gain scholastic requisites before his final three years in practical training school which led to his M.C.S.P. qualification.

"Of course, I'm still learning

North Galiano

Ken and Sylvia Mounsey, of the Pink Geranium, have returned after a trip to Hawaii for three weeks. They are glad to be home although they enjoyed the warmer climate for a while, when it was 68 deg. at night and 84 deg. in the day time. They are all rested up and ready for another year of business.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Baines are in Nanaimo for the weekend.

Gary Biggar has been visiting the Lloyd Baines this past week.

Kathy and Larry Baines spent last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Pybus in Delta.

Mrs. Evan Hughes spent the week end in North Vancouver.

There has been so much sadness lately. We send our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross on the death of Dorothy's mother.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wike on the death of Florence's mother.

To Sol Bodega, who is well known on the island, on his brother's death in Hawaii and to the Steven's family on their sad loss of a young nephew in Campbell River, by a hit and run accident.

Bradley Thompson was in Sidney for a few days with his brother Josh.

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SALT SPRING ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Notice of Annual Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Salt Spring Island Public Library Association (Mary Hawkins Memorial Library), will be held in the Parish Hall, St. George's Church, Ganges, B.C. on WEDNESDAY, February 15, 1978 at 3.15 pm, for the following purposes:-

1. To receive the report of the Chairman of the Library Board.
2. To receive reports of the Secretary, Treasurer and others.
3. To consider the following proposed By-law amendments:-
 - a. By a notice of motion submitted at the previous Annual meeting, to restrict the term that a member may serve as a Library Board member to not more than four years by deleting the word "consecutive" from By-Law 2(b).
 - b. By a notice of motion from the Library Board, hereby given, to allow more flexibility in the dates on which Board meetings must be held, by amending By-Law 3(a) to read:- "The Board shall hold regular monthly meetings on dates to be set by the Chairman."
 - c. By a notice of motion from the Library Board, hereby given, to make a number of minor changes in the wording of the By-Laws for the purpose of clarification, details of which are posted in the library.
4. To elect the requisite numbers of Board members for 1978 to fill vacancies on the Board.
5. To transact such other business as may arise.

By order of the Library Board
Geo. Wells. (Secretary).

At conclusion of the business part of the meeting, awards for winning entries by students of the Secondary School in the library poster competition will be presented, following which, tea will be served.

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Books for children and books about plants

Leprechaun Books are Salt Spring - based publishers

BY TONY RICHARDS

Anyone who drops into the Harbour House pub for a beer now and again knows who Dan Jason is: he's been slinging beer there for a couple of years. And a lot of people who have children know Dan and Jezrah Hearne from the books they have published for children.

The Salt Spring-based publishing firm known as Leprechaun Books has been in existence since last July and is owned and operated by Dan Jason and Jezrah Hearne. They have put out six books so far and there are more on the way.

There are two other people who have a place in Leprechaun: they are 13-month-old Leif and eight-year-old Zama. Zama is an illustrator and a writer and one of the books that has been published by Leprechaun is called Zama's Book. The material for the book was collected when Zama was between the ages of four and six. She used to tell stories to Jezrah instead of the other way round and so her mother started writing them down. Subsequently, Zama's Book came into being.

With one exception, the books that have been published by Leprechaun have been for children or have dealt with plants. The first



Dan Jason, Jezrah Hearne and their son, Leif.

book Dan had a part in was Some Useful Wild Plants, published by Talon Books. It has become a very popular book in many parts of the province.

NOT MUCH PROFIT

Dan says that it has sold well but

he hasn't seen much profit out of it himself, and that is why Leprechaun Books was established. They now have total say in what style or appearance their books should have.

The Forager's Guide to Canada is a guide to mushrooms and plants and Dan and Jezrah expect it to be out in the summer. Incorporated in this new book is material from both Some Useful Wild Plants and Your Own Food, a book which was published in 1973 and quickly sold out.

For Jezrah, writing children's stories began while she was running a free school in Vancouver for four to seven-year-olds. Both she and Dan have been writing poetry for a number of years. After living in various parts of B.C., Dan and Jezrah came to live on Salt Spring in August, 1975. They find the island to be a good compromise between life in the city and life in a completely rural setting.

Cancer victims to listen to psychologist

Psychologist William Boychuk will address the Victoria branch of the International Association of Cancer Victims and Friends.

Boychuk will speak on cancer, stress and hypnotism. Meeting is at Carnarvan Park Pavilion, off Henderson, in Victoria, at 7.30 pm, Monday, Feb. 13.

Sales of sugar in Canada during December totalled 154,237,432 lbs.; export sales amounted to 31,915,504 lbs.

St. Margaret of Scotland Two islands take part in vestry meeting

BY MARY HARDING

The annual vestry meeting of the church of St. Margaret of Scotland took place in the Church on Monday, Jan. 30, with the Rectors warden, Miss Jean Lockwood in the chair.

Miss Lockwood said that during the past year it has been the job of this committee to try to hold congregation together. This has been done by people of the Island helping to take part in the services each and every Sunday morning.

The painting of the outside of the Church is now completed, and a heating system installed. Miss Lockwood gave thanks to Mr. Ripley for his work, and for many other repairs he saw that must be done.

Treasurer Charlie Morshead, said that we have had 1600 people come to church during the year, but if it had not been for Miss Lockwood's devoted hard work, and organization, it would have been a lot harder.

REPORT ON MAYNE

There were three ladies from St. Mary Magdalene Church of Mayne Island there, and Miss Foye Miles then gave a short report of work on Mayne. She spoke on the success of the 18th anniversary of that church, with Canon Paddon's son, daughter and granddaughter all there. They also held a bazaar during November.

Miss Miles feels very keenly that there must be a regular minister, and asked the support of St. Margaret's to send a letter to the Bishop to tell him of the great need.

Mrs. Joan Callaghan gave a report on the cemetery committee, and of the help given during the year. A plan for the coming committee will be drawn up, and given to the next meeting for approval.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Mrs. Callaghan has also been very pleased with the Sunday school, and the help by Mrs. Ray Foster in making it a success during this "Budding year".

Miss Lockwood gave a report on the Altar Guild. She gave hearty thanks to Mrs. Jessie Bellhouse for

her work, helped by Mrs. M. Bow. This year the little shop will be moved to another place, to help people find it more easily.

A vote of thanks was given to these dedicated people for their work.

Election of officers then took place, with Miss Lockwood automatically staying on as Vicar's warden, until a new vicar comes to appoint another one. People's warden is C.F. (Chuck) Webb; secretary, Mrs. Roy Harding; treasurer is Mr. C. Morshead. Professor W.J. Maier is a life member.

Parish council includes Mrs. J. Bellhouse, Mrs. C. Morshead, Mrs. Bow, Mrs. Maier, Mrs. G. Philippson, Mrs. A. Platt, Mrs. Callaghan, Mrs. C. Webb, Miss F. Druce, and Mrs. D.A. New.

Delegates to Synod are Mr. New and Mrs. Callaghan, with alternate Mrs. James of Mayne; cemetery committee, Mrs. Callaghan, Mrs. Harding, Mr. Webb, Mr. New, Miss Druce and Miss E.E. Trimmer.

Next meeting of the parish council will be held on March 20 in the church.

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Auxiliary looks back over year

BY VERA PETAPIECE

I have the honour to present the 41st annual report of the Auxiliary to Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital. We continue to be very busy in all areas of our work. Volunteer work is very rewarding but at times we run short of volunteers.

The New Year's baby was presented with a layette with our compliments; the layette was prepared and donated by the Mayne Island ladies and was greatly appreciated.

We presented the Lion's Club with a cheque for \$500 to help towards operating their "Bunny Bus".

The bus is available to the residents in Extended Care and throughout the year has been very much enjoyed by them. Seven residents went to Duncan before Christmas and thoroughly enjoyed shopping in the mall. Two of our members went as attendants.

CORSAGES

On Hospital Day in May, the auxiliary presented all the hospital staff with carnation corsages to mark the occasion.

The auxiliary provided lovely new cupboards in Extended Care to hold all our craft material. They are such a great improvement!

Mrs. Shandro and I attended the annual convention in Vancouver in May. There are now 125 auxiliaries in B.C. with 9,922 members; 571,000 volunteer hours were given in 1977, and \$831,000 contributed to hospitals, thus providing many extras for the comfort and T.L.C. of the patients.

For the third year our residents in Extended Care won the plaque for their craft work. There is great competition in this area and our residents were very pleased, as there are only five or six who can do very much in this way.

Thank you to those members who help with the crafts in Extended Care, this can be very challenging total of 868 hours was put in and \$223.27 realized from the sale of their work throughout the year. Also, thank you to those who donated cakes for the residents' week-end tea.

AWARDS DAY

I attended Awards Day at the High School and presented pins and badges to seven Junior Volunteers (Candy-strippers). At graduation, I presented two bursaries of \$300 each, to Ann Wilson and Cathy Taylor.

The auxiliary honoured Lassic Dodds with a cheque upon her retirement from the hospital staff in June after many long years of service.

In late September we had a luncheon before our meeting, and Mrs. Betty Kowalski, our Vancouver Island Regional Representative, was our guest.

In late September, the stockroom of the Thrift Shop was overhauled: new paint, shelves, fire-proofing are all much appreciated by the members working there. The Thrift Shop continues to be a great money-making area. Total net profit for 1977 was \$26,575.75, with approximately 7,500 hours of volunteer work.

Many thanks to all members who work so hard doing the many various chores that keep the Thrift Shop going all year.

Four members went to the Area meeting in Duncan in September. Once again, our auxiliary was second in money-raising on Vancouver Island.

BIG CHEQUE

The auxiliary presented the hospital board with a cheque for \$15,000 in September with the request that it be used to furnish a four-bed room in the proposed

Extended Care addition, the room to be named in memory of our late administrator, Harold Hoffman, who died during the summer.

We also gave the Intermediate and Personal Care Society an assurance that \$60,000 is available to them to furnish the lounge and dining room of their new building.

Our new administrator, Donald Bethune, came to our November meeting and outlined the purchasing policy of the hospital.

The auxiliary has provided an

emergency admission kit at the hospital, this contains toilet articles, notepaper etc. and is to be made available as required.

On Armistice Day, poppies were put on every tray throughout the hospital.

CANDY STRIPERS

The Candy-strippers continue to be active at the hospital and the auxiliary has provided their uniforms. They prefer to be called Junior Volunteers, especially if there are boys volunteering.

Christmas gifts were given to each resident in Extended Care and a small gift put on each tray in the Acute Wing.

Three trees were decorated in the hospital. Tray favours for all special occasions were made by one of our members.

The patient's flowers are attended to and the lounge is kept well stocked with current magazines. All this takes many hours of volunteer help: 375 hours - flowers; 30 hours - library. We also have a very well-kept scrapbook of all our activities.

I wish to thank all the members for their faithful work this past year, an especial thanks to my executive, they have been a pleasure to work with.

Planning issues on Salt Spring are outlined by chairman at meeting

Chairman of the Salt Spring Island Community Planning Association, Mike Clement, gave an outline at the association's annual meeting on Monday of some of the problems that must be dealt with on the island.

Speaking of the Ganges Plan, he suggested that a compromise must be made between the two plans that have been drawn up for the village.

"What's done in Ganges will be the pattern for the other centres on the island: Fulford, Vesuvius and Fernwood," said Mr. Clement. "Power, water and telephone lines must be considered in planning Ganges."

"There is also the need to make the village attractive to tourists in order to make it economically viable."

Another problem facing the island is water run-off caused by clearing land, said the chairman.

With regard to the Islands Trust, Mr. Clement told the meeting that the community must act as the Trust's review body. When the regional district dealt with land use matters, the Trust was there to review their handling. Now that the Trust has taken over from the Capital Region, there is no review body.

NEED FOR DISCUSSION

"The association is not trying to change the course of history," he said, "but there should be proper, straightforward discussion on every issue that comes up."

One onlooker at the meeting suggested that the work of the planning association should be publicized more in order to get more involvement from the community.

"I've heard more sense here

tonight than in the two years I've been on the island," he said.

Mr. Clement replied that the association had begun to tread on a few corns last year.

"We were told that we were nothing but a bunch of long-haired hippies and we were told that we

should change our name because of its bad image."

But, he said, public opinion changed somewhat following the public hearing into the proposal for an apartment building at Vesuvius. The association had been in opposition to the plan.

Central Hall instead of flowers

Omitted from a report last week on the death of Dr. S.N. Wood, well-known Ganges veterinarian was a reference to Central Hall.

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That horrendous game of curling

BY LOU YELLOWLEES
At long last, it would seem, there is a ray of hope for us poor frustrated curlers! If there is anything I have missed here it is the ability to take part in that happy pastime.

Having been around the route before I know how difficult it is to

get these things started but it can be done. If the curlers are successful they will have created something that is invaluable as a social centre and an activity that can be enjoyed by young and old alike.

More power to Gordon Hutton and his group.
Like that other Scottish inven-

tion, golf, curling can be a most frustrating game. But, as does the golfer, the curler always goes back for more! I recall that after one horrendous game in Saskatoon, and after spending many weary months in getting permission to put up the building, I was driven to bashing out the following bit of doggerel.

THERE'S ALWAYS THE NEXT DRAW!

Years ago some Scottish clan,
With wondrous vision and great elan,
Devised a game that's played with rocks,
Witches' brooms and jugs of scotch.
On winter lochs and ponds they played,
In tam and gaudy plaid arrayed.
Clever people! It's no vice
To leave one's cares and griefs on ice!
(The Scots like water - if it's frozen,
In liquid form it's seldom chosen,
Till taken with a wee bit drappie
To keep the players warm and happy!)

A field of broom, a granite hill,
The stern demands of thrift fulfil,
And using these avoids the curse
Of making inroads on the purse!
Besides, the simple pleasures are
The most substantial ones by far.
It's more than game, it's life at best,
And he who drinks his fill is blessed.
But note how this unique condition
Is now a part of our tradition;
Interred with every Scotchman's bones
You'll find a pair of curling stones!

That virus spawned at history's dawn
Is rampant now in Saskatchewan.

And here at Station Saskatoon
There's some would play from noon till noon.
The brass were bitten hard, and hence,
A rink was built at great expense,
and all the Prairie now resounds
With "YES!" and "SWEEP!" and other sounds.
And so I tried the Roarin' Game,
And spent a week with ache and pain,
Tee and draw and weight and hack,
Hog and end - my aching back!

But since last night, at half past eight,
I'll tell you, it's a game I hate!
Please don't mention "rink" to me,
Hack, or weight, or draw or tee!
Of all the stupid games there are,
That's the craziest one by far!
It's only luck, it isn't skill,
I'll burn the building down - I will!
If my CO will take the rap,
I'll have the place reduced to scrap!
The Scottish surely started something,
Inventing haggis, golf and curling!

But wait! I think we're on next Sunday,
And isn't there a draw on Monday?
I may get better, don't you think?
I'll see you at the curling rink!

More Food for Thought

BY THE INTER-CHURCH COMMITTEE

BY MARY WILLIAMSON
Ten Days: Feb. 10-20

"Cultivating Famine" was the name of the slide and tape presentation used by the World Relief Continuing Education class last Thursday evening. The history of food shortage shows there is nothing natural or inevitable about famine. Colonialization began the process and profiteering perpetuates it.

Future sessions will include films: "The Glass House" and "Potatoes"; the study of the Bottle Babies issue, and a visit from the Rev. Wes Maultsaid, full-time worker in the field of World Development Education. Further details and dates from Alice Andress, 537-5483.

On the subject of Bottle Babies, don't miss "Man Alive" on February 19, when Roy Bonisteel presents the shocking story at 10.30 pm on Channel 2.

there will be a pot-luck supper at 6.30 pm in the parish hall, and it is hoped that contributions will be in keeping with the spirit of Ten Days, and along the lines suggested in Diet for a Small Planet. Simplicity and nutritional value will be the keynotes.

A slide presentation "Let's go forward" will be shown and A. Tejada will of course answer all questions you may have about the state of affairs in the Dominican Republic. This promises to be a most interesting evening, and it is hoped that many people will avail themselves of this opportunity to meet our visitor from the Third World. All those who remember Sadie Vernon from Belize will certainly want to attend, and many who regretfully missed her.

"But what can I do?" is the question most often heard. Arthur Simon, executive director of the interdenominational movement "Bread for the World", makes 10 suggestions for individual action:

- Become a citizen advocate: contact your member of parliament or legislature on key issues.
- Give to your church's relief fund. Overhead is low and delivery of assistance high.
- Become better informed. Read books, magazine articles, newspapers. Start clipping and develop a file. Learn about (and from) hungry people in your own area. The better informed you are, the more effective you will be.
- Interest others. Share what you learn, winsomely, kindly, without anger or self-righteousness, always mindful of your own limitations and the humanity of others - including government leaders.
- Discuss the problem of hunger in your family. It needs to be on the supper agenda. Parents especially can do themselves, their children and others a great favour by putting this front and centre in family discussion.
- Write a letter to the editor on occasion. Be brief, pick up on a specific issue, preferably one reported or commented on editorially. Mention your M.P. or M.L.A. if appropriate, he or she is certain to see it. (NOTE: This does not confine us to Driftwood, most of us have access to Victoria and Vancouver newspapers)
- Reassess your own pattern of life. Perhaps you can consume less, waste less, eat, drink, drive less. Use less energy. Cut down or out on the use of fertilizer except to grow food. Fast on occasion and use the money saved for hunger relief. Grow vegetables and share with those in need, or set aside for world relief the value of what you eat.
- Help to form a local group. If groups exist, join them.
- Protect family farmers. Work for legislation to protect them against encroachment of corporate farming in your province.
- Pray. This belongs first and last. Pray daily for those who do not have enough; for those who lead; for wisdom to see our own part in the problem and for grace to take appropriate action.



ARGELIA TEJADA

Argelia Tejada will visit Salt Spring on Monday, Feb. 13.

She will be speaking at St. George's Parish Hall, and all are welcome. For those with a special interest in World Development,

introduced to a skit depicting planned changes at the hospital. An unusually well-dressed reporter was shown interviewing a hospital spokesman on the subject of economics and changes.

The cast illustrated new methods of dentistry; the auto-syn-drome in a good-class garage and pygmy nurses.

Dr. Jim Buchan had a lot to do with the skit, as writer and actor and compere.

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Island hospital celebrates

Lady Minto Hospital staff abandoned their problems and frustrations on Thursday evening last week and enjoyed the annual Christmas Hog party in Harbour House.

It was too late for Christmas and they called it a Groundhog party complete with the appropriate singing.

Evening commenced with the social gathering and continued into a smorgasbord dinner.

During dinner Hospital Chairman Iola Brookbanks outlined a white paper prepared for the occasion, by a ghost writer.

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New health nurse comes to Ganges after sailing the Mediterranean Sea

New public health nurse at Ganges has come to the island after two years of sailing around the Mediterranean Sea. Susan Blagborne moved here January 3 to take over the position formerly held by Gail Squires.



SUSAN BLAGBORNE

Prior to living on the Mediterranean, Susan and her husband Richard were in England when they were asked by Vladimir Plavsic, owner of last year's Swiftsure Race winner Kanata, to take the sailboat to Florida. They took him up on the offer but only took the boat as far as the Canary Islands because they wanted to go to Spain. In Spain, they bought a 32-foot English-built fibreglass sailboat and spent a year sailing the Mediterranean. They lived for six months in Malta where their son Christian, was born. They later sold their boat in Malta and returned to Canada.

Richard and Susan are native British Columbians: he from the interior and she, Vancouver. Susan has a Bachelor of Science of Nursing from the University of British Columbia and is a reg-

istry while part two is the practical side alone.

Susan likes the idea of preventative medicine and feels there are too many people being hospitalized. As public health nurse, her duties are immunization of babies and adults, home visits for newborn babies and conducting pre-natal classes. She is also the school nurse and gives vision and hearing tests, immunizes students and teaches health. The health nurse works with people of all ages, dealing with medical problems, and also follows up on tuberculosis and venereal disease cases.

Susan said last week that she and her husband are glad to be out of the city and plan on staying on the island for a few years.

Gail Squires has been the health nurse on the island for about two months. She is now working with the long-term care program introduced by the provincial government last month. The new program operates in conjunction with services such as Meals on Wheels and the Homemaker Service.

istered nurse, having trained at St. Paul's Hospital in Vancouver. She taught nursing at UBC for three years after obtaining her degree.

MIDWIFERY COURSE

While in England, Susan did part one of a midwifery course. Part one of the two-part course consists of both theory and del-

An ancient craft



Five more papermakers sought for course

BY P. APYRUS

Any arty-and-crafty people out there who would like to learn to make their own paper for painting or drawing or printing on?

You can use old paper and recycle it, old cloth,.....blue jeans in tatters?.....marsh reeds and cattails.....in short, many fibrous materials that will give textures and colours to the finished product.

Ryan Murraygreen (yes, that's the way he spells it) who teaches Cont. Ed. courses in Vancouver at Capilano and UBC will offer a Sunday workshop on paper-making at Mahon Hall, February 19, from 10 am to 3 pm. There is room for five more students. Candidates may call Virginia Newman for

further information or send a cheque or money order to School District Number 64, Ganges. The name of the course should be specified if the money is mailed in.

A kitchen blender is one of the tools needed for this process and one blender for two people should be a comfortable ratio, according to Ryan.

An extremely versatile artist, he shows his paper creations regularly in California and Washington along with woodcuts, Chinese brush paintings, and wood sculpture.

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On The Penders

BY ELEANOR HARRISON

The annual vestry meeting of St. Peter's Church, Port Washington was held on Saturday, Jan. 28, in the Activity Room of the New School Complex, and was preceded by a Pot Luck supper at 6 pm.

About 50 members and friends of the Church sat down together. Ven. David A. Powell welcomed Rev. and Mrs. O. Foster of Victoria as special guests and asked Mr. Foster to say the Grace preceding dinner.

After dinner the business of the evening began with Mrs. Betty Harker, secretary, reading the minutes of the last general meeting held January, 1977, in the Port Washington Hall. Miss Joan Purchase, treasurer, then presented the church's annual financial report, followed by the report of the Rector's Warden, Douglas Harker and the report of the People's Warden, Gordon Berry.

Mrs. Mary Morrison read the report of the Women's Guild, which had been prepared by Mrs. Helen Claxton. The Women's Guild are pleased that Mrs. Jean McCaffery will be president of the Guild this coming year, with Mrs. Marjorie Clarke as secretary; vice-president, Mrs. Stevens and treasurer, Mrs. Verner.

Mr. Powell, who arrived on Pender Island as recently as last November to take over the work of St. Peter's Church spoke, expressing his appreciation for the loyal co-operation of those who have held office and assumed responsibility for the Church's work on the island.

It is his hope that church attendance will improve, that members will come and bring others with them, that undoubtedly the future will hold new problems but if we put God's work before man's, look to him for vision, strength and wisdom, not expecting too much or too little and consciously undertake these things, God will bless us and the work of St. Peter's at Port Washington.

Elections were then held: Rector's Warden will be Douglas Harker; People's Warden, Gordon Berry; secretary, Mrs. Betty Harker and treasurer, Miss Joan Purchase.

The meeting closed about 8.30 pm. Old friends were happy that Mrs. Walter Cunliffe, a long-time resident of the Port Washington area, now living in Victoria was able to join with them for the evening.

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Former commanding officer named Honour roll at Gulf Islands Secondary School in January as honorary Lieutenant-Colonel

Canadian Scottish Regiment, which has always had a strong and close link with Salt Spring Island, has extended that link.

Lieut.-Col. W.J. Mosedale, ED, of Isabella Point, has been named Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel of the Canadian Scottish Regiment (Princess Mary's).

The appointment follows closely on the death of a former holder of the honorary rank, the late Desmond Crofton, also of Salt Spring Island.

Like his predecessor in the rank, Col. Mosedale has been identified all his life with the Canadian Scottish. In 1928 he joined the non-permanent active militia, Canadian Scottish. Initially enrolled as a private, he was bandsman and held various ranks until he was commissioned in May, 1934, Second-Lieutenant.

When war broke out in 1939 he was holding the rank of Lieutenant. He saw active service until 1946, when he left the regiment with the rank of Major.

After training at Debert, Nova Scotia and Royal Military College, Kingston, he went overseas with the First Battalion as Intelligence Officer.

TO GERMANY

During the Second World War he went through from Normandy to Germany with the Canadian Scottish.

After the war he was a civil servant with the federal government, retiring in May, 1974.

With nearly 20 years experience of militia service under his belt, it was natural for Mosedale to return to the reserve forces and in 1946 he was on the reserve rolls again.

In 1950 he was promoted to

Lieutenant-Colonel and named commanding officer of the regiment.

When Vincent Massey was Gov-



LIEUT.-COL. WALTER MOSEDALE

ernor-General, Col. Mosedale was his aide de camp for four years.

His appointment as commanding officer came to an end in 1955.

It hasn't been all fighting. The new honorary lieutenant-colonel can look back on many memories that were unrelated to firing a gun, but had a military significance.

FLOOD WATER

In 1948, the year of the floods, he was second-in-command and moved a 150-man detachment to the Fraser Valley to help the civil authorities with the control of the rising waters.

He has also served as chairman of the board of management of St. Joseph's Hospital in Victoria, after many years as a member of that board. He also served on the board of the Victoria Public Library.

In Pioneer Square, Victoria, there is a memorial to the Canadian Scottish Regiment. Col. Mosedale and the late Col. Cy Peck organized the plaque.

He is a past president of the Royal United Services Institute in Victoria and a member of the Royal Canadian Legion.

Since retiring to the island several years ago, Col. Mosedale

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Maya Hoffman, Wendy Lee, Caroline Libresco, Colleen Simpson, Cheryl Veltman, Penny Wright.

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GRADE 10

Lynn Coombes, Rupert Gale, Harold Hoffman, Karen Jensen, Andrea Lake, Jennifer Miller, Jane Saba, Marilee Taylor.

GRADE 11

Michelle Anderson, Melody Cue,

Jill Johnson, Chris Lake, Donna McFadyen, Susan Mouat, Barbara Reynolds, Donald Slocombe, Wilfe Temmel, Barbara Woodley.

GRADE 12

Mary Baltzer, Teresa Carey, Cathy Cartwright, Eric Elford, Gary Hartwig, Barbara John, Linda Lane, Stephanie Libresco, Elaine Patterson, David Tara, David Woodley.

Galiano Club lists officers

The annual meeting of the Galiano Club was held at the hall on February 5. The following officers were elected: Jane Rule, Roy Brinson, Terry Champion, May Ferguson, Geoff. Finnis, Marie Hardy, Tom Hennesey, Dale Lyon, Judi Pattison, Steve Pattison, Bruce Pearson, and Suzanne Veit.

A full report from the outgoing president, Basil Benger will be given in next week's paper.

Writers and others are invited

Hudson Kimball Memorial Fund is sponsoring a meeting on Sunday afternoon in the Salt Spring Island Community Centre.

Residents with original or selected writings or ideas they would like to share are invited to take advantage of the opportunity. The gathering is looking particularly at analyses and possible solutions to the environmental problems current today.

Philosophical reflections and the cultivation of the uniqueness and greatness of every person are also part of the meeting.

Participants may join in or listen to others.

and his wife have taken an interest in many aspects of the island, including membership of the Trail and Nature Club, the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council and other associations.

Col. Mosedale's new appointment is for a term of three years.

The former honorary lieutenant-colonel, Col. Crofton, served with the Second Battalion and Col. Mosedale served with the First Battalion.

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Gulf Islands Legion marks 50th year

A regular meeting of the Gulf Islands Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, was held at Saturna Island on January 27.

The chair was taken by the president, W.W. Hunt - Sowrey, and 15 members were present.

The usual silence-period was observed in honour of fallen and deceased members, and special mention was made of the late Mrs. W. Warlow, whose funeral had taken place 10 days previously. Mrs. Warlow as the wife of a deceased past-president of the branch, and for many years had acted as official pianist at branch meetings.

The main business of the meeting concerned the Branch's 50 anniversary. The charter is dated February 19, 1928, and the next meeting will be held at Mayne Island on February 19, 1978.

Details are as follows:
1200 hrs., Laying of Wreath, War Memorial, Mayne Island.
1300 hrs., Lunch, Mayne Island Agricultural Hall, Mayne Island.
1400 hrs., Regular meeting to

inaugurate the 51st year.

Members will wear Legion dress, with decorations and medals, Legion and war.

The wives of members have been invited, and island residents are

invited to the wreath laying. The Islands Branch also expects to entertain a number of Legion officials, Dominion, Provincial and Zone at this meeting.

There was also some discussion

regarding the annual School Sports Day, in which this branch and the daughter branch, number 239 at Pender Island, are interested. As full details were not ready, this matter was tabled until the next

meeting.

Branch expressed thanks to the ladies of Saturna, who serve refreshments at many Legion meetings.

Kicks fall off as Lansdowne takes lead and holds on to it

BY PETER MOONEN
Lansdowne Ev. Opt. Rovers, 2;
Salt Spring Cablevision Kicks, 1.

In last Saturday's game the Cablevision Kicks displayed one of their poorest performances in their two-year existence.

The Rovers dominated and outplayed the Kicks the entire game and it is amazing that the score wasn't any higher than the 2-1 score.

Right after the opening whistle, the Rovers came out flying and created numerous scoring chances

and out of one of these chances a Rover lofted the ball over the bewildered Kicks' goalie. The Kicks tied up the game just before halftime with the only fine passing play they managed in this game, when Kerry Walker and Paul Cottrell set up Andrew Hoeller for a perfect goal.

The second half is a half the Kicks would rather forget as soon as possible, but the fact is that the Kicks were out to lunch for the entire half and if it wasn't for the fine play of Sean Logan in the net

the score could easily have been a lot higher.

This write-up will be a short one this week, since there weren't enough highlights worth mentioning, however this doesn't mean that we are unable to break the slump.

Special thanks to Chris Cottrell, who ran the Kicks line so conscientiously, it is too bad he didn't see the tree in front of him when he ran into it, but Chris is tough and he was back on his feet again on Sunday morning. Next game will be announced later this week.

Fitness van to visit islanders

This year the Heart Foundation has underwritten a Fitness Involvement Training Program. It takes the form of a van which tours the provincial communities.

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Down Through The Years With Driftwood

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

The 73-year-old home of C.E. Baker and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Helene Baker, was destroyed by fire late Tuesday night. Mr. Baker, a Salt Spring old-timer, and Mrs. Baker were able to escape only with the clothes they wore.

The Salt Spring Island Volunteer Fire Department, which answered the alarm at 11.30 pm, was at the scene of the fire in approximately five minutes, but the fire had gained too much headway.

According to Mrs. Baker, smoke was smelled earlier in the evening, but no fire was detected at that time. Just before 11.30, still smelling smoke after airing the house, Mr. Baker went to a closed up living room. Flames shot out as he opened the door.

The property had recently been sold to Mr. and Mrs. John Stack of California, who are to take possession this coming spring.

Morrie Akerman will box against the recently declared Emerald Boy and junior B.C. champion, Fred Fuller, in the semi-final feature of the boxing card to be held on Saturday at Fulford Hall. Fuller, 118-pounder from Vancouver, has just returned from Wahsington where he beat the best they had to offer.

According to H.J. Carlin, Ganges weather observer, the .98 inches of precipitation, including the four and a half inches of snow, was the driest January on record. Salt Spring Island had the distinction of being the warmest spot in Canada, once in January and again on Sunday, Feb. 3, when a high of 61 degrees was recorded.

The high temperature in January was 52 degrees on January 1. The low of 17 degrees was recorded on January 11.

Estimated game harvest in B.C. in 1961 was 67,000 deer, 18,000 moose, 1,000 caribou, 3,500 elk, 1,900 mountain goat and 1,000 mountain sheep.

TEN YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Knight, of Ganges, have announced the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Joane Carol LaFleur and John Edwin Mahon, of West Vancouver. Wedding will take place in Victoria on Saturday.

Measles will cost Gulf Islands School District \$300 this year. And that is pretty cheap measles when it is compared with other districts.

On Thursday evening last week trustees of the district approved a grant of \$300 to

the Greater Victoria Metropolitan Board of Health for measles vaccine.

The request had been circulated to districts participating in the board of health. Greater Victoria was asked for \$14,000; Sooke School District and Saanich, \$2,700 each and Gulf Island, \$300. Basis of the request was school enrolment.

The names of students who made the honour roll this term have been released. They are Leslie Scotton, grade eight; Stephanie Swanson, grade nine; Michael Stacey, grade nine; Glennis Horel, grade ten; Andrea Harkema, grade ten; Marie Hughes, grade ten; Janis Smith, grade ten; Sandy MacLeod, grade eleven; Beverly Atkins, grade twelve; Paula Waterfall, grade twelve; and John Grain, grade twelve.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Biggest provincial park west of the mainland has been established on Salt Spring Island. Ruckle property at Beaver Point has been purchased by the province for park purposes.

New park is almost 1,200 acres in area and adjoins the older Beaver Point Park of 48 acres. The park has been sold to the government by Henry Ruckle for \$750,000 payable in annual instalments of \$50,000 at no interest.

The Ruckle family will continue to farm the 200 acres under cultivation and to live in the farmhouse, which is a landmark there. They will have a life-long tenure on the property.

Telephone connections between Salt Spring and the outside world will be doubled this spring.

Last year there were 14 telephone circuits to the island, 12 to Ganges and two to Fulford. At the end of last year another 10 circuits were set up. They are radio circuit and provide five for Ganges and five for Fulford. The original 14 circuits were submarine and another four are being connected up next week.

This offers 14 new circuits, or twice the number available last year. It also means less delay in calling off island.

Bob Schwabe, of the Mountain Hideaway Service has been awarded the contract for hauling cars on Salt Spring Island for destruction by SAM.

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Beautiful New Zealand and two Salt Spring travellers

Doris Anderson is wandering about the world again. The Fulford nurse is at present in New Zealand, where she met Sue Mouat, also of Fulford.

Miss Anderson has written of her travels to Driftwood.

I am just completing the second part of my varied tour.

Sue Mouat joins me today and we go westward via Australia, February 1. Little does she know what an old crock I am, walking with a cane. I have acute lumbago, very painful.

My first trip was to Fiji, where I went to the Blue Lagoon on a

cruise. We visited islands where we stopped. I went ashore to bathe or to picnic.

The Fijians were so kind to the "poor old lady" helping me on and off the little boats.

From there I flew to Auckland, New Zealand, where I stayed with a friend. I had no idea what an exciting and peaceful place New Zealand is.

Jane and Alfred drove me to Rotorua, where we camped in their "Scamper". We kept bathing in thermal pools to help my back.

STEAM COOKING

We went to a Maori Hangi, where the food was all cooked outside in natural hot steam. After dinner the Maoris put on a concert. I loved the hot mud which was bubbling like porridge. Some places they heat their houses by the hot steam. It is also used at one place to generate electricity.

We returned to Auckland without being blown up and after a day's rest we took to the road again and headed north. We met Ernest and Valerie Haigh aboard their trimaran. I expect some of you remember his making it.

The Maori meeting house was interesting. Their carving is so like an Indian carving.

On our leg back to Auckland we spent several hours at Kano, visiting friends. Maureen, who is very blonde, is married to a Maori; a delightful couple who are building their home at the top of a hill with a beautiful view all around.

They have all travelled at Rotary expense

It was hail and farewell at the Salt Spring Island Rotary Club dinner last week.

Members greeted Christine Assad, on holiday from Gatineau Peninsula in Quebec. They welcomed Mario Teodozio, here for a year from Brazil. And they said goodbye to Richard Cobanli, setting out for a year in Australia.

Man of the hour was Charles Baltzer. Chairman of the Student Exchange Committee, he was taking part in the Rotary International Student Exchange Program and launching his own interprovincial exchange at the same time.

The young Brazilian, 16 years old and about six feet, four, will spend a year on the island, living with Rotarians and attending Gulf Islands Secondary School. Having no English, he settled for a smile.

PREVIOUS TRAVELLER

Former student of that school, Gabrielle Schubart spent a year in Brazil on a similar exchange.

Christine Assad is here on a three-week stint. Program was introduced by Baltzer, whereby Canadian students are encouraged to exchange with students in different provinces. Kathleen Ramsey spent three weeks in Quebec recently and the franco-phone student is here to return the compliment.

Richard Cobanli was accompa-

nied by his father, Bas Cobanli. He explained that he would be attending school in Australia but he was not yet certain what courses might be available.

He expected to leave in a couple of days' time, he explained and he expressed his appreciation to the club for the opportunity.

BILINGUAL

The young lady from Gatineau

also addressed the gathering, speaking in fluent English as well as her native French.

It is an honour, she told the club, to be representing Gatineau.

"Gulf Islands Secondary School is very different from a private school in Ottawa," she assured Rotarians. She then expressed her appreciation in French.



Exchange student Richard Cobanli and his father, Bas.

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Salt Spring Island Rotarian Charles Baltzer with Rotary exchange students Christine Assad from Quebec, Mario Teodozio from Brazil and Kathleen Ramsey, of Ganges.

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