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No bus service: no gas tax, says Curtis

The Social Credit government will not recognize any law which requires that a gasoline tax for transit services be paid until some form of bus service is provided.

Islands' MLA Hugh Curtis made that statement at a public meeting in Ganges Monday evening.

He was repeating what he said earlier this year when islands residents expressed strong opposition to the proposal to add a three-cent tax to gasoline in the Capital Regional District. About 300 people responded to a ballot published in *Driftwood* on the tax and about 99% were opposed.

Curtis told the meeting that the Urban Transit Authority Act has a provision in it which would allow the Lieutenant-Governor in Council or Cabinet to suspend any enactment by the Urban Transit Authority.

Curtis added, however, that the surcharge on Hydro bills would be applied on the Gulf Islands some time in the future.

Prior to Curtis' statement on the gas tax, he had fielded a number of questions from the audience of about 30 people. He expressed some surprise that no one had asked about the tax.

"I was waiting for the question," he said, noting that the issue had come up recently in the pages of *Driftwood*.

More on this meeting on Page Two

Car destroyed by fire



Volkswagen station wagon was completely destroyed by fire at Central on Salt Spring Island Saturday.

Owner of the vehicle, Sue

Hiscocks, and a passenger, escaped injury. Fire was reported to have been started by a loose connection to the battery.

Islanders move to have eggs tested

PCB test results described as 'classified information'

A number of Salt Spring Island residents are planning on having a commercial laboratory conduct

tests of eggs produced on the island to determine what level of PCB's they contain.

The move was sparked by the recent disclosure that some eggs tested by Agriculture Canada showed "traces" of the toxic chemical polychlorinated biphenyls.

The PCB's found their way into a shipment of tallow, an ingredient used in the manufacture of chicken feed in pellet form, when a transformer was damaged in a Billings, Montana, slaughterhouse earlier this year.

It has been verified that the shipment of contaminated tallow which was sent to Canada arrived in the country August 17. Three feed manufacturers in the lower mainland used that tallow: Buckerfields, the Surrey Co-op and Ritchie-Smith.

Federal agriculture officials have said that tests of local eggs revealed trace amounts of PCB's, but they have refused to say what the levels were.

'DIDN'T FEEL RIGHT'

As a result, one Salt Spring farmer has indicated she wishes to have her eggs tested. Gail Secor told *Driftwood* this week she "didn't feel right about selling them" until she knew the results of the tests.

She said she talked to the chief food inspector with the health protection branch of Health and Welfare Canada but he refused to disclose what the amounts of PCB's were. It was "classified information," he told her, though he added that if there were a Freedom of Information Act he would have to provide the information.

Tom Gossett of Foxglove Farm and Garden Supplies said Monday he didn't believe the PCB levels could be serious. If they were, he felt, orders would have been issued to destroy chickens and eggs that were suspected of being contaminated.

Driftwood was unable to contact the chief food inspector in Vancouver for comment this week.

K&R application turned down by commission

Application for release from the agricultural land reserve of land located in Ganges has been turned down by the Agricultural Land Commission.

K & R Food Stores had applied for the release of six acres from the reserve in order to construct a

50,000-sq.-ft. store. Land is situated near Quesnel Lane.

The Islands Trust had advised that the acreage be reduced to 2½ acres.

Walter Large of K & R was not available for comment on the decision when *Driftwood* tried to reach him Tuesday.

Natural gas pipeline

Proposal calls for two routes

A treeless corridor approximately 100 yards wide would follow B.C. Hydro's proposed natural gas pipeline across Salt Spring Island, project manager Ron Blakely said last Wednesday.

Although the pipeline route has not been chosen yet, Blakely said Salt Spring Island provided a more attractive link between Victoria and Duncan than the mountainous Malahat.

The pipeline would cross Galiano Island and gain access to Salt Spring at a point near Fernwood. From there the line would travel in two directions: west to Vesuvius Bay and south to Musgrave. The Vesuvius branch would cross Stuart Channel to serve Duncan and Campbell River. The line from Musgrave would serve the Saanich Peninsula and greater Victoria.

20 PEOPLE

Speaking at a public meeting in Ganges which was attended by approximately 20 people, Blakely

said island residents should not expect to hook up to the gas service which is intended for Vancouver Island, "the only significant market in western Canada not supplied with gas".

Construction of the line on Salt Spring would take approximately two months, Blakely said, and involve about 100 men plus machines and other equipment. He added that there should be no significant social impact on the local community, which only results when there is a massive injection of capital and activity.

Blakely emphasized a natural gas pipeline involves much less capital cost and environmental impact than an oil pipeline or electrical transmission line. He said the energy potential in one 24-inch natural gas pipeline was equivalent to all the electrical energy produced in the province. He added that the natural gas would be used for home heating on

Vancouver Island and that Hydro had no intentions of generating electrical power with it.

TO LOOK AT ROUTES

In the next few weeks Hydro teams will be on Salt Spring Island looking at points where the line can gain access and egress and the possible routes overland. Blakely said Hydro officials hope to have a preferred corridor chosen by the end of November and a specific route through the corridor picked by March.

In April the data goes to the appropriate government agencies, where the final decision on whether or not to go ahead with the project is made.

Blakely said if the project is given the go-ahead his team will be back on Salt Spring for more public input.

If supported by the government the construction would be completed and the line in use by fall, 1982.

Nuclear plant rumour false, says official

A recent rumour circulating on Salt Spring that tenders were being let by B.C. Hydro for the design of a nuclear power plant at Crofton was denied by a Hydro official Monday.

In a telephone conversation with *Driftwood*, Hydro public information officer John Sexton said there was no truth to the rumour.

Sexton added that "no nuclear power plants are being planned by B.C. Hydro".

Tenders called

Tenders were called for improvement of ferry terminal buildings at Long Harbour on Salt Spring Island.

The job involves a major expansion of the terminal, including addition of a second building containing offices, washrooms, lunchrooms and stairways.

Bids were due October 16, 1979

Public meeting draws 30

Curtis looks at B.C. economy

"We would be a rare breed of people if we didn't complain," observed Hugh Curtis, islands MLA and provincial secretary, at a meeting called by the Chamber of Commerce Monday at Ganges.

Curtis told the meeting he wanted to return to the island before Christmas and repeat the program he had followed Monday, meeting with constituents at the provincial government building and discussing their concerns.

He went on to summarize the economic outlook for British Columbia, noting that inflation was hurting the province less than a lot of other parts of Canada and the world.

He recalled that the population in B.C. had been declining not too long ago but, he said, the outflow of population had since turned around.

NOT HORDES

The province didn't want "hordes" of people pouring in but rather a "gradual, steady and healthy growth in population".

The past year could have been a difficult one in terms of labour-management relations, he told the meeting, because of expiring contracts. But that hadn't been the case, he observed.

"While we all experienced minor inconveniences (due to strikes and lockouts) it has been a good year; the third good year in a row."

The forecasts that there would

be problems following the relaxing of price and wage controls had been wrong, he added.

Curtis touched briefly on both forestry and mining. Lumber production and demand should continue to be high, he said, and newsprint production was at full capacity.

INCREASING

Mining exploration was increasing, he continued, and metal prices were steady. Looking at B.C.'s coal resources, he commented that coal was "your resource and mine: not

the government's".

B.C. could provide all of North America's energy requirements with natural gas for only a few weeks, he said. Using coal, however, the province could supply those requirements for one and a half to two centuries.

In conclusion, Curtis said he realized he belonged to a government that was "sometimes regarded as a dollar sign government".

"But," he added, "we need those provincial revenues and a healthy economy."

MLA questioned about roads, permit prices

Following Hugh Curtis' address at the meeting in Ganges Monday, he was asked a number of questions, most of which were not of a local nature.

Among those which did relate directly to Salt Spring was a concern voiced by Joyce Hume over road conditions. She told Curtis that Park Drive in Ganges had been so dusty during the summer that residents of the area "nearly choked to death."

She said the trees were all covered in dust and that it was difficult to walk on the road. But,

she added, "nobody does anything".

The highways crews had "been experimenting, but it didn't work," Curtis was told.

GOOD AVERAGE

He replied that he had thought the "batting average" had been good recently in improving the island's roads.

Chamber of Commerce president Gavin Reynolds agreed.

"There's more blacktop per population here than in Metro Toronto," he observed.

Later, Mrs. Hume explained that Park Drive had already been paved when the "experiment" was carried out. She said that it had been oiled and then a thick layer of gravel had been laid on top of the oil.

This had been done in July, she told *Driftwood*, and had created very dusty conditions.

She asked why a road in "downtown Ganges" should be in such a condition when roads such as Reynolds Road at Beaver Point have a good, paved surface.

PERMIT PRICES

Terry Elford questioned Curtis about the price of building permits in the Capital Region. He said the prices were upwards of 10 times what they are in other areas.

"Is there any recourse?" he asked.

Curtis advised that it be taken up with the regional director for the island and the other directors on the regional board as well.

"Make sure the Capital Regional Board is aware of your concern and keep the pressure on."

One member of the audience recalled that a year ago the price of building permits here was nine times what they were in Duncan.

Gavin Reynolds observed that the Chamber of Commerce had tried to do something about it, "but got nowhere".

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Annual meeting of Advisory Committee

The Salt Spring Elementary School Advisory Committee is holding its annual general meeting on Monday, October 22 at 3.15 in the school library.

The meeting will focus on the election of committee members and officers for the 1979-80 school year and on identifying issues and setting priorities for committee activities.

The committee is composed of eight parents, one teacher elected by the staff and the principal or vice-principal. This year the group will be expanded to include two elected student members as well.

The purpose of the committee is to promote the free exchange of ideas between the school and the community relating to school policies and programs. Local and provincial factors affecting the educational environment are critically reviewed with the aim of suggesting alternatives where appropriate, said a member of the committee this week.

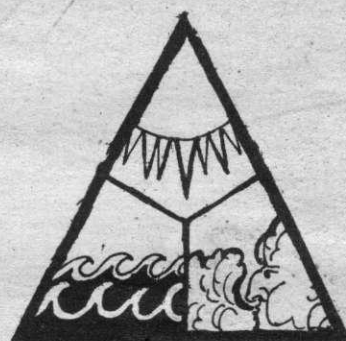
Initially established in the fall of 1978, the committee has devoted attention to pedestrian traffic safety in Ganges and fund-raising for educational and recreational activities not supported by the school board budget.

Issues which have already been brought to the committee's attention this year include safety in and around the school grounds, improved playground facilities, enrichment opportunities for the bright child, art and music programs, assistance for the emotionally disturbed and the learning disabled students, school-related

individual and family counselling and professional development and consulting time for teachers.

Anyone with any other concerns or who is willing to invest energy in support of the committee's activities is asked by the group to come forward at next Monday's meeting. The committee can be contacted through the present chairman, Dr. Ralph Miller, or the school principal. The committee has a message and mail box in the school office as well.

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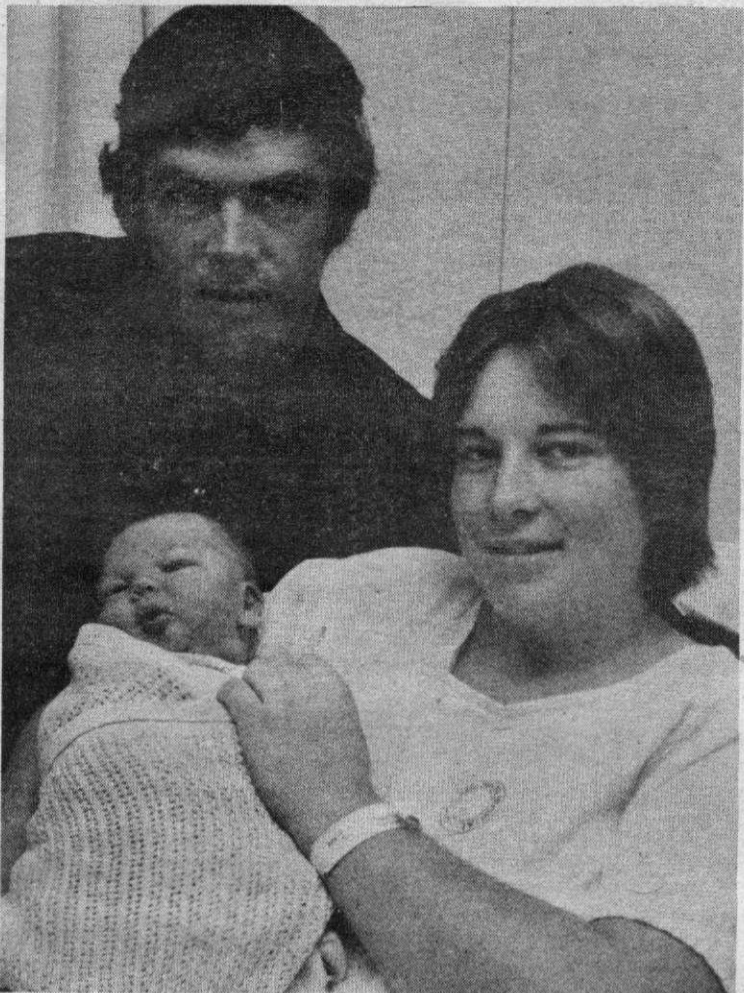
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To Be Frank on holiday — back in two weeks

Largest baby ever born at Lady Minto



This baby has the distinction of being the largest ever born in Lady Minto Hospital at Ganges. Bradley Morgan is the new son of Jo Ann and Des Smith of Salt Spring Island. He weighed 10 lbs., 14 oz. when he was born at 9.53 am Friday.

Sedro-Woolley

'We know we're going to win,' says speaker of nuclear battle

"We will never have that plant in Sedro-Woolley. They might bring their equipment in, but that's as far as they'll ever get. You people up here can be confident that you aren't going to get any nukes!"

Those were the words of Steve Overstreet, secretary of Skagitians Concerned About Nuclear Plants (SCANP) when he spoke at a meeting in Ganges Monday. Overstreet said his group was comprised of 80 to 90% businessmen, ex-military men, geologists, farmers and fishermen, with the remaining being "your regular hippies". All of these people have become concerned over the quality of life in the Skagit Valley, he said.

It is a valley which produces 90% of the nation's tulip seeds, 90% of its red beets, 80% of its cabbage, 1/3 of its green peas, houses a wildlife sanctuary for northern migratory fowl including the trum-

peter swan and the largest flock of bald eagles in the world.

The Skagit River is the only river in the world in which all five species of salmon spawn.

All of this is threatened by the nuclear reactor schemes for Sedro-Woolley, said Overstreet.

BEST LAWYER

SCANP decided to fight Sedro-Woolley "with every ethical, moral and legal means at their disposal", he said. The group hired the best lawyer it could find, a must for any organization, he stressed, and acquired "intervener status" in the courts; that is, the right to cross-examine Puget Power and Light's plans and claims.

Overstreet went on to say that in spite of Puget Power using every means possible to undermine SCANP, it has grown into a large and powerful organization, capable of getting 5,000 signatures on an anti-nuclear petition in two days, 450 people on the government phones in one hour, collecting thousands of dollars per year and defeating local politicians who take a pro-nuclear stand. The latter has had "an awakening effect upon our local representatives, who now take us more seriously," he said.

TO VOTE

There is now a vote on whether or not there should be nuclear reactors in Sedro-Woolley before the county commissioners.

It is almost certain, he said, that Puget will lose by a two to one vote. It is felt that this vote will have an effect upon the decisions made by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Info-Health BY DR. BOB YOUNG

Because it is such a common mental illness, every general practitioner has several schizophrenic patients in his or her practice. The variations in the severity of this disease from patient to patient, and even in the same patient at different times, mean that treatment plans must be flexible.

Long-term care is required for this group of diseases, which usually start in the late teens and continue indefinitely. The general practitioner is usually the most appropriate person to manage the patient, although occasional help from a psychiatrist is often required.

The aim is to keep the patient functioning as well as possible while the disease is stable, and to regain the stability as rapidly as possible when crises develop.

Some patients are so severely affected that they would seem to be untreatable. These persons may be institutionalized or, if they are fortunate, may be cared for at home. They are so separated from the real world that they may literally remain alone, communicating with no one, for years on end. They actively resist medical care, and if it is forced upon them any improvement is marginal and brief.

A much larger number of schizophrenic patients can be kept functioning reasonably effectively by the careful use of medication.

The social isolation that is so characteristic of the disease can be overcome to the point that some schizophrenics are able to be employed in certain jobs. Medication and other therapy has to be altered as the symptoms change, always balancing the effectiveness against the possibility of side effects.

Treating this condition can be very trying. The physician knows that he cannot cure the patient. The patient cannot comprehend the nature of the disease nor can she or he be educated about it. The physician is subjected to the same dreary list of symptoms at every visit for decades on end, patiently hearing his patient out in an attempt to support him.

The patient's family also has trouble understanding what is wrong with their offspring, and the doctor must counsel them too.

Furthermore, Puget Power has only 10 weeks to come up with proof that its plans are safe, or it will lose its zoning contract. This means it would have to re-apply for a zoning contract and face a new round of public hearings, something which would drag on for a few more years.

Overstreet was confident that this new round of hearings would not happen and that the land would revert back to agricultural and forest use on January 1, 1980.

"We know we're going to win and that it won't be long now. We know we'll see a lot of action, but we're up to it!"

Finally, the meeting decided that Canadians could help SCANP by writing to Congressman Al Swift at the House Office Building in Washington D.C. and to Flora MacDonald, minister of external affairs, in Ottawa.

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Latest mishap not unlike the last

The problem of safety in Active Pass has become even more crucial following the mishap involving the *Queen of Sidney* and a pleasure boat.

This latest accident has something in common with the grounding in August of the *Queen of Alberni*: in neither case could the blame be laid on avid fishermen obstructing the pass.

The 30-foot pleasure boat which was hit by the *Sidney* two weeks ago was not fishing, and according to the operator of the boat, he had just turned around and was proceeding in the same direction as the ferry.

It appears that the accident could have involved any one of the multitude of small boats which continually run through Active Pass; not just pleasure boats, but commercial fishboats and small tugs as well.

If any consideration is to be given to closing the pass to fishing, then surely this latest incident indicates that the authorities should also consider closing the pass to smaller boats.

But there is a more practical solution.

To repeat what we said shortly after the *Queen of Alberni* accident, there would be considerably less danger to the ferries and others using the pass if the ferries slowed down.

If there should be another accident, and the law of averages dictates that there has to be, we shall not hesitate to repeat that suggestion again.

Community-recreation centre would be too costly

Sir,

I note in last week's *Driftwood* that it was stated at a meeting that there had been no opposition by means of letters to the editor to the proposed community recreation centre.

I wish to be one of the first to oppose such a centre on the grounds it would be far too costly. I would point out that a large percentage of our population is retired, and I strongly object to an increase in my taxes to pay for a "theatre and performing arts centre", a space for art groups such as potters, weavers and painters.

I also oppose as not needed, squash and racquet ball courts, whirlpool, swimming pool and ice rink. After all, we all were aware of what facilities were available when we moved here and if we are not satisfied, could move to a spot where these facilities exist.

Under the Equalization of Assessment Act our taxes are increasing fast enough without building (in my opinion) a non-essential community centre, and thus further increase said taxes.

A. J. DILLABOUGH,
R.R. 2, Ganges,
October 6, 1979

Privilege may be lost

Sir,

I am a resident of Salt Spring Island and a regular commuter to Victoria. I certainly enjoy the savings of the residential discount, as I am not wealthy.

I was talking with one of the ticket agents at Swartz Bay about why the ferry company has not issued permanent identification cards to the people who now have only letters. He told me that the company was considering the removal of all residential discounts to the islands.

He said that the decision was due to the fact that there were people who claimed to be residents, but had no card and were insisting on getting their discount. This insistence was sometimes accompanied by verbal abuse. The

protest of the ticket agents to this treatment is to pressure the company into denying the discount to everyone, so no one will be able to argue with them about their right to a discount.

The simplest answer for people who wish to keep their privilege would be to recognize that the ticket agents are not allowed to give discounts without official proof of residency. And when a resident forgets his identification, he must take full responsibility for his negligence and pay the non-resident toll.

Without this consideration, we may all be without a discount privilege.

CRESS LUNDSTROM,
Ganges,
October, 1979.



"Don't forget to give the chickens their PCB's!"

Letters to the Editor

Mining exploration should be halted

Sir,

Gambier Island, a Trust island, is the largest island in Howe Sound, approximately 5,870 hectares (14,400 acres) with 3,480 hectares (8,600 acres) classified as Crown land. It is largely undeveloped, has a large wilderness area and has no urban-type facilities. As stated in its Community Plan, "Gambier Island, because of its close proximity to a large urban population, should be reserved largely for public recreational use."

The plan makes provision for marine parks, and a non-vehicular park established in the interior of the island, centred on Gambier Lake, and to include Mounts Liddell and Killam. Basically, the intent of the plan is to keep Gambier rural in character, encouraging the use of its recreational potential, and discouraging any commercial or industrial growth.

To date, more than two thirds of Gambier has been staked by a junior mining company, 20th Century Energy Corporation. Preliminary drilling has indicated a potential orebody of some 280 million tons of copper-molybdenum-bearing material. This project would be a large open pit mine similar to those in the Highland Valley (Bethlehem and Lornex) and to Gibraltar, Similkameen, Granisle, Endake, Afton, Island Copper, etc. elsewhere in B.C. 20th Century intends to form a subsidiary company in order to raise further funds for exploration of all their claims, in hopes that they will find additional ore bodies.

The unassailable argument for keeping Gambier Island and much of Howe Sound for recreational use is its location: 10 to 20 miles from an urban population of over one million people. There is no other

large metropolitan city in Canada, or North America for that matter, which can offer such a variety of recreational pursuits in a setting comparable to this, within an hour's drive!

Almost all popular types of outdoor recreation are available in this region. Opportunities for boating, sailing, cruising, fishing, scuba diving and beach activities are ideal. Coastline attractions are not just confined to sandy beaches, for the rich marine life and rocky shoreline are a distinct attraction to scuba divers, as well as to photographers, painters and others interested in the outdoors. It should be noted that this year, 130,000 small boats were registered in the Lower Mainland; and it is safe to say that a very large percentage of these craft ply the waters of Howe Sound.

Gambier Island, in fact, is extensively used by the yachting public because of its location, safe moorage and the availability of log booms for ties. On any given weekend, especially during the popular cruising months, up to 300 yachts (sail or motor) moor in each of the three major bays. Gambier Lake, situated between two mountains, is an attraction to many hikers of all ages. It is a tragedy that the various governments over the years have overlooked the recreation-tourist potential of this entire area.

If a profitable orebody were found, and the probability appears to be very good, the very large investment this project would entail, at least \$200 million, would only be the beginning, for undoubtedly other industries would be encouraged by this development, and would be eyeing several other ideal locations in Howe Sound. Although the potential mine would be primarily land-based, the ramifications of such a project will be far-reaching and will affect more than just the immediate area of the mine itself.

Large sums of money are being spent on exploration programs by 20th Century. As stated in letters to Rafe Mair, minister of environment and to Bill Bennett, premier of B.C., in February and June 1979, "a decision to halt exploration work should be made now, before the company invests such a large sum of money that it becomes

extremely difficult, if not impossible, to stop".

In British Columbia the enjoyment of leisure time out-of-doors is a distinctive feature of our lifestyle. Howe Sound and the islands within its boundaries are ideal recreation areas suitable for all ages, interests and financial means. Let us not take this valuable asset for granted, but instead, let us officially recognize Howe Sound as a major recreational area to be preserved and protected for the benefit of all British Columbians and Canadians.

It is imperative that the few remaining beach areas, foreshore and adjacent lands in Howe Sound be exempted from further industrial expansion.

(Mrs) ELSPETH J. ARMSTRONG,
(Mrs) BEVERLEY A. BAXTER,
Local Trustees, Gambier Island.
October 13, 1979.

Confrontation favoured over negotiation

Sir,

We in the medical profession have recently witnessed a near take-over of our B.C. Medical Association by the "British Connection" and have also witnessed the predominance of this type in our trade unions who do not care to understand "negotiation" rather than "confrontation".

This has produced in me a philosophical look at our present situation:

I often wish that the malcontents in this country could somehow be shipped back to their land of origin - then perhaps our unity and tranquility would be restored. As an added benefit our dollar would probably be worth much more than its present 10c.

I do not refer to those who came here attracted by our unique, bountiful, beautiful country wishing to be assimilated. Everyone is enriched by their presence.

R. P. McCAFFREY,
R.R. 1, Ganges,
October 11, 1979.

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says Salt Spring Island
Chamber of Commerce.

Petro-Canada to be examined in articles

BY DON TAYLOR, MP

There has been a great deal of discussion lately about the federal government's plans regarding Petro-Canada. I expect even more attention will be given to this matter in the days ahead, particularly since the special task force studying Petro-Canada should complete its report and recommendations later this month.

In a series of four or five articles I will outline some of the facts surrounding this issue. I intend to discuss Petro-Canada's mandate; its performance record; its involvement in energy resource development; and the federal government's privatization plans.

The federal government does not intend to relinquish all of its control over Petro-Canada's operations. The government recognizes that it has a major role to play in this Crown corporation and, in particular, intends to continue its involvement in three key areas:

- The negotiation of state to state contracts for the importation of crude oil where necessary.

- The promotion of exploration in frontier areas with increased Canadian participation and at a pace that cannot be expected by the private sector alone.

- The promotion along with frontier exploration of tar sands and heavy oil research and development.

At the same time, the government firmly believes that certain assets of Petro-Canada can

be more effectively managed in the private sector. In addition, the government is committed to ensuring that the benefits of these transfers are distributed among Canadian citizens.

In this regard, there is a special task force studying which assets of Petro-Canada might be returned to the private sector as well as how this transfer of ownership can best be implemented. In making its recommendations, the task force will ensure that sufficient capacity is left with the federal government in order that it can carry out the three functions mentioned above.

Following are the individuals who are on the task force. Their report should be completed later this month.

- Donald McDougall, chairman, is the president of Labatts Brewery of London, Ontario. He is on an indefinite leave of absence while serving on the task force.

- Roland Giroux is the former president of Hydro Quebec. He is a Quebec businessman; director of several large corporations including the Bank of Montreal and is the chairman of the James Bay Energy Corporation.

- Ralph Sikes is a senior partner of H.R. Doan Company, Chartered Accountants. He has acted as financial advisor and tax advisor to many major Atlantic companies.

- Sidney Kahanoff is the former chief executive officer of Voyageur Petroleum Ltd., Calgary. He is also past president of Independent Petroleum of Canada.

Bridge enthusiasts at Golf Club



Here are members of the Gulf Islands Bridge Club at the Salt Spring Golf and Country Club this week. The club plays every

Monday in the clubhouse. Winners last week were: first, Audrey Allan, Helen Shandro; second, Dr. and Mrs. Hyslop;

third, Mary Clements, Marg MacKintosh; fourth, Audrey Campbell, Norm McConnell.

Don Taylor wrote it

Report in last week's issue of *Driftwood* left some readers wondering who was explaining the benefits of the federal government's Mortgage Interest and Property Tax Credit Program.

The story, which appeared on Page Twenty-Seven, was submitted by MLA Don Taylor.



Tony Richards

IT USUALLY TAKES me at least an hour a day to get through all our mail, which consists mostly of government news releases.

But it took somewhat longer last week because of one rather bulky envelope containing 19 letters. They were written by the students of Glenda Kaiser's grade nine English class at Gulf Islands Secondary School.

Each one was a thank you letter for giving the class a tour of the *Driftwood* office. The students spent an hour in the office about two weeks ago, where they witnessed the "well organized process" of putting together a newspaper.

Well, it always looks "well organized" on a Thursday: if they'd come any other day, they would have left wondering how on earth we ever do it.

A few commented on how it was the most enjoyable English class they'd ever had, but the most common observation concerned our typesetting equipment. All were apparently quite fascinated by our new classified system, where all the ads are stored on a "floppy diskette". (It may look impressive but it's still not very successful).

One student said she could "now appreciate the time, work and detail that goes into putting out a paper" and I couldn't help but think of a lot of others who would benefit by such a tour.

Then there was the one who thanked me for the free newspaper "but my mom beat me to it". Christmas is on the way: why not buy her a gift subscription?

And finally, for the benefit of the student who wondered if I "was still writing away"; yes, I am, and enjoying it, too. I'm enjoying it almost as much as showing grade nine students how a paper is produced.

SO YOU DON'T like my jokes, eh Tidler? Well, the least you could do is send me some.

The guy I'm referring to is former Salt Spring resident Charles Tidler: poet, playwright, farmer and typesetter. He sent me a letter last week and had little else to say other than the rude comment about the jokes I've been telling.

He sent me a copy of his play, *Blind Dancers*, which was produced in Vancouver last year. Charles now lives in Comox and works as a typesetter for the *Comox District Free Press*.

SPEAKING OF JOKES, I didn't much care for Gavin Reynolds' comment at the meeting in the Activity Centre Monday evening.

When Hugh Curtis said he enjoyed reading *Driftwood* every week (and Terry Elford said he did, too) he followed the compliment with a "But" and Gavin Reynolds interjected with: "It tends to drift."

I would prefer the word flow...

AND YET ANOTHER local band has proved that the better musicians around live on the Gulf Islands. Bluebird has been working hard, judging by their performance in the Harbour House last weekend.

One of their number, Marianne Grittani, is playing in the Vesuvius Inn this coming weekend.

In order to be fair, I should say that I haven't seen Gerry Bourdin or anyone else from down Fulford way so I can't say if anyone is playing in the Fulford Inn. Maybe next week...

I MADE A FOOLISH agreement recently to publish every week the names of dart-players who scored less than three points in a turn.

Here is this week's list:

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Catholic Women's League holds monthly meeting

Our Lady of Grace subdivision of the Catholic Women's League held its October meeting in the parish hall at Ganges on Tuesday, Oct. 9, beginning with Mass at 7 p.m.

President Pat Taylor gave a brief report on the regional meeting held at Lake Cowichan on October 1st, and announced that the Salt Spring Island league women would host the next get-together for the region in March. She also reminded the ladies of the one-day retreat scheduled for November 19 at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Nanaimo.

Convener Jean Robertson reported on the progress made with the organization of the hospital and shut-in visiting program and said the project would soon be under way.

Plans were finalized for the Flea Market to be held in the parish hall on Drake Road on Saturday, October 27 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. with the following in charge of tables: Alicia Anderson, Lilian Beauchemin, Doris Delong, Joy Johnson, Fordine Kavanagh, Ursula McEwen, Jean Robertson and Pat Taylor. Margaret Sitton will be in

charge of coffee.

MEETING TIMES

There was some discussion of meeting times and the members decided to hold meetings during the winter months in the afternoon on the second Wednesday of the month, beginning with Mass at 2 p.m.

The members were also reminded of the luncheon in aid of the Mendies Foundation being held in St. George's Anglican Church Hall at noon on Friday, October 26. The ladies were asked to donate to the home baking table and the money tree for the event.

At the close of the business meeting, Pastor S. Hildebrandt of the Community Gospel Church and Mrs. Hildebrandt gave a slide show. The program consisted of colour slides and a commentary on the people of the African country of Upper Volta. The Hildebrandts spent some time working as missionaries in that country.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday afternoon, November 14, commencing with Mass at 2 p.m.

Helen Townsend celebrates 103rd birthday at Ganges



Taking part in Helen Townsend's birthday party were Erica Voegeli and her mother Sharon, at left and Nadine Voegeli, right.

Lady Minto Hospital's oldest resident, Mrs. Helen Townsend, celebrated her 103rd birthday Monday at a party held for her by family and friends at the extended care wing lounge.

Mrs. Townsend was presented with a cake and champagne to mark the occasion. Flowers, gifts and cards also decorated her table. Her granddaughter, Sharon Voegeli, and great-granddaughters Erica and Nadine Voegeli were present to wish her happy birthday.

Hospital staff and residents of the extended care wing attended the party and sang Happy Birthday for their friend.

One of the three founding members of the Burgoyne United Church Women, Mrs. Townsend worked for more than 20 years with the Women's Institute and Burgoyne UCW.

Until the mid-70's Mrs. Townsend lived with her husband in the house now occupied by her grand-

son Roy Lee. When Mr. Townsend died, his wife gave up the family home and has since spent time living with her two daughters before moving in to the extended care wing.

Mrs. Townsend has three grandchildren, Patrick and Roy Lee and Sharon Voegeli, all resident on Salt Spring, and a granddaughter, Colleen Saule, living in Saskatchewan. Eight of her great-grandchildren live on the island, with another two residing in Saskatchewan.

W. Charles Beale, D.C.

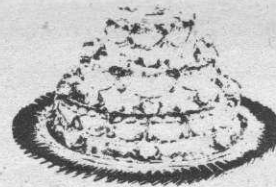
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Plight of boat people should awaken all to needs of poor

BY MARY C. WILLIAMSON

Several people have told me they were impressed by the account of poverty given in last week's column by an unnamed mother from southern Tennessee. It is worth mentioning that these conditions prevail in one of the richest countries in the world; a country with some of the world's most advanced technology.

The U.S.A. was an early leader in the space race, yet its poverty-stricken urban and rural slums may well trigger what James Baldwin and others foretell as an imminent civil war. If it comes, such a war will not be between the Left and Right, the white and the black or the hawks and the doves: it will be between the haves and the have-nots.

I have recently read a serious historical study which postulates that the civil war in England was caused by the failure of the establishment to pay the army; in those days composed entirely of have-nots.

It seems very likely to me that all wars are basically fought on those grounds.

TOOK IT AS SUPPORT

I was surprised, however, by the reaction of some who took last week's column as support for their disaffection with the boat people.

"We should be feeding our own hungry," was the phrase I heard. Well, of course we should, and my hope is that we will. I hope the plight of the boat people will awaken all of us to the state of need among our own poor, and that it will be a case of "both/and" rather than "either/or".

We have the resources. We need the awareness and the will. We must be aware of need wherever it exists and meet it, for our own sake as well as that of the poor.

This is the basic flaw and danger of the Lifeboat Theory. If we ignore the drowning and push the weakest out of the lifeboat, we condemn them to death and ourselves to a fate "worse than death"! We brutalize ourselves and cut ourselves off from the love of God sending ourselves to hell.

PRACTICAL ASPECT

There's also a practical aspect. When the limited rations are almost exhausted we ourselves will be pushed out of the lifeboat mercilessly, because we showed no mercy. The "strongest" will survive at the expense of the others, but will their survival be worthwhile?

Norma Mickelson from the edu-

cation faculty of the University of Victoria wrote recently on the "back to basics" movement in education. Thinking this is the solution to all our problems is simplistic and stupid, she says.

More Food for Thought

We are possessed of the advanced technology necessary to put a man on the moon, yet we have polluted our planet, permitted Auschwitz and we allow millions to go without sufficient food, shelter or health care.

She sums up: "It is not what we can do but what we do do that determines the quality of our lives."

We must not substitute ruthlessness for strength, nor mistake gentleness for weakness. Quite often the reverse is true.

I have received literature about the Cuernavaca Centre for Intercultural Dialogue on Development. The executive director is Raymond Plankey, husband of Gabriela Videla, and he can be contacted at Apartado 580, Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico.

The Centre offers a 10-day course for around \$600, including fare and accommodation. This rate applies if a group of 10 people share the cost. If anyone is interested, please contact me or Sheila Reid.

Power line hit by tree

A sudden, fast gust of wind and the top of a tree at Galiano Island combined in shutting out power for about five hours on Monday, October 8. Wind broke the tree, which was just tall enough to reach the power line on Bluff Road. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hansom were out for a stroll when they saw the electrical arc as the power line was hit.

Hansom went for the fire truck,

and asked someone to stay at the other end of Bluff Road to stop anyone from going near the broken line.

Hansom, an electrician, with the help of Charlie Partington, managed to have the power switched off until the line could be fixed, and also to ensure that a nearby pole was not damaged.

A B.C. Hydro crew went over that night to fix the line.

Tools stolen

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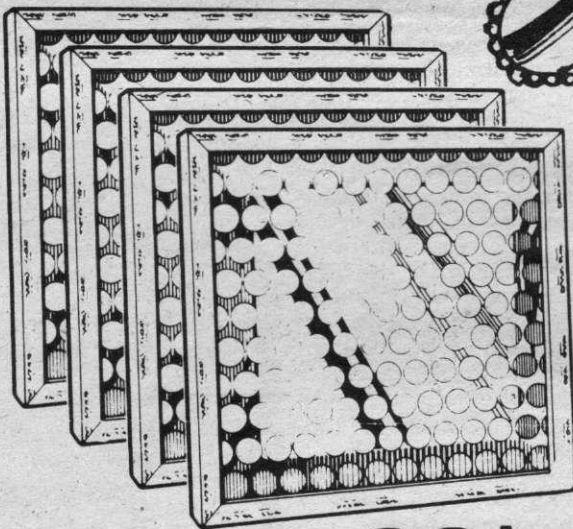
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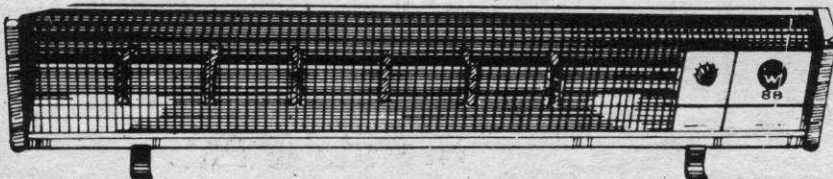


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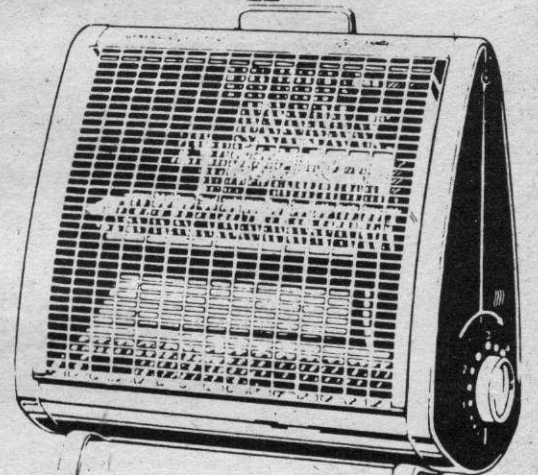
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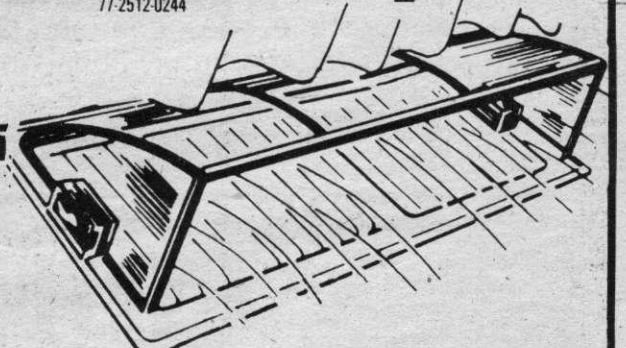
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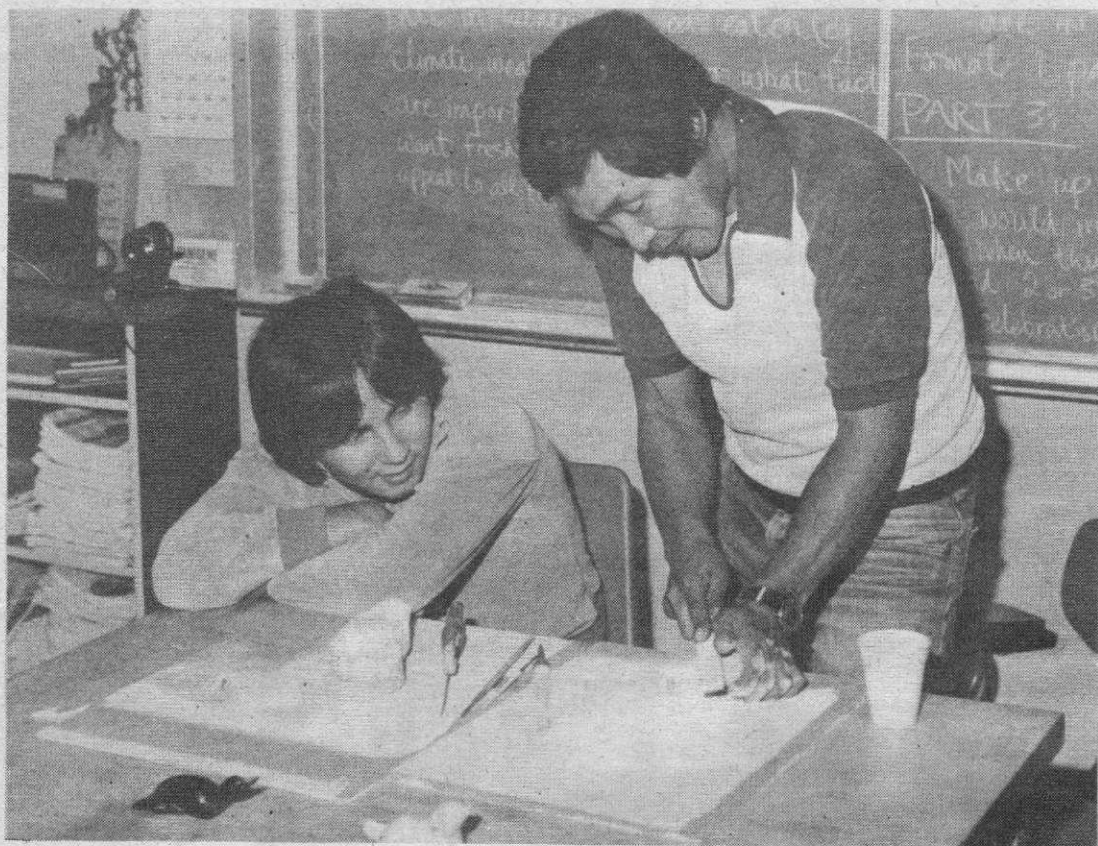


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MOUAT'S

Techniques of soapstone carving shown

Inuit carver guest of class



Inuit carver Enook Manomie, right demonstrates soapstone carving. With him is his nephew, Uki.

Nationally known Inuit soapstone carver Enook Manomie was the guest of the Native Peoples Awareness class in the Ganges

elementary school Monday evening.

The evening began with a potluck dinner in the home economics room and was followed by a presentation of Enook's sculptures. His wife Suzanne and nephew Uki acted as interpreters for Manomie, who speaks only the Inuit language. He demonstrated his techniques and the instruments he uses while answering questions from approximately 20 people in the class.

Manomie was born in Cape Dorset but lived most of his life in Frobisher Bay. He learned to carve by watching his father and at the

age of 13, Manomie produced his first piece of art; a seal which he said took two weeks to perfect. Now Manomie can create the same object from a rough piece of soapstone in less than one hour.

His tools are always the same: a hacksaw, files and a wood rasp, though recently he has experimented with power tools. His subjects are traditional; for example, the walrus, seals, bears and musk-ox. The extremely brittle nature of soapstone makes it nearly impossible to carve slender pieces such as deer or caribou.

The traditional Inuit carvings were always made from soapstone found on beaches or mined in quarries. The Inuit people carved small statues to fit in the hand, which they then used like worry beads. After finishing a carving, Manomie polishes it with steel wool, then wet and dry sandpaper. The water foams while polishing, hence the name soapstone. He finishes it with neutral shoe polish.

Manomie has been living with his family in Sooke on Vancouver Island for the last year and a half. He makes his living from his art and sells it through the Longhouse Gallery in Victoria. Enook's nephew Uki is his apprentice and interpreter.

No headlight

Last week in provincial court Jay Small of Ganges was fined \$35 for failing to operate the safety equipment on his motorcycle during the evening of June 9.

RCMP reported that Small was riding a motorcycle on Lower Ganges Road after dark without a headlight.

Vandals risk jail terms

Vandals who shoot at B.C. Hydro power lines are risking long prison terms, says B.C. Hydro.

The Criminal Code of Canada provides up to 14 years for wilful damage to public property, and a lifetime sentence if the damage places another person in danger.

Hydro will pay a reward of up to \$2,500 for information leading to a court conviction.

Damaged high voltage transmission lines are a real danger to the shooter as well as to anyone else in the vicinity, and sometimes cause wide-spread service interruptions affecting large numbers of people, says the power utility.

After shots damaged equipment at Ladore Generating Station on Vancouver Island, one man was convicted and fined; two others admitted taking part in the incident. The court imposed a fine and ordered restitution.

Puntledge Generating Station near Courtenay was shut down for two days in September because someone put a bullet through the remote control signal cable.

Also in September, Hydro linemen found 31 insulators on a transmission line west of Sechelt had been shot up during the summer. This is the type of incident which places the linemen in danger, as they were working near the insulators and could have been electrocuted before they noticed the damage, *Driftwood* was told. In addition, a large area suffered a power blackout.

On two successive weekends recently, heavy gauge conductors just south of Sahtlam Substation were partly severed by rifle shots. If the wires had parted and fallen, the shooter and any others nearby could have been electrocuted. Wires are brought down occasionally.

GOLFING with Pat Doherty

In the ladies' nine-hole section on October 9, 16 ladies competed for honours in glorious autumn weather, and Helen Welliver won the prize for least number of putts. Dodie Dillabough chipped in on #9, Edith Owens was closest to the pin on #11, and the fourth prize went to Mary K. Thomas for the hidden hole.

On the same day in the ladies' 18 hole division, 34 ladies turned out for their Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot. The results were as follows: first low gross, Irene Hawksworth at 83; first low net, Lois P.C. at 65; second low gross, Anne Monro at 85; second low net, Jean Jefferies at 69; third low gross, Alice Fraser at 96; third low net, Bev Menzies at 70.

On Wednesday, October 10 Kas

Black and Dolly Whorley having won the previous week, went back to Gorge Vale to play two ladies from Colwood. They had a nice day, which is the same thing as saying they did not win. However, they enjoyed themselves and after all, this is what it is all about. You don't have to win; as long as you give it your best shot and lose gracefully, you can always come back another day.

On Thursday, October 11, 32 senior ladies turned out for their final field day (loud cheers from all the men members). The prize for low gross was won by the team of Betty Harrison and Ada Woodley, while the low net winners were Alice Fraser and Alice Brown. The second low net was Ruby McConnell and Olive Wilkie.

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BY MARY C. WILLIAMSON

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The first concert of the 1979-1980 series will take place on Sunday at 2 pm and will feature Bryan Townsend, classical guitarist.

Bryan is a Canadian with impressive performing and teaching credentials. His basic studies were at the University of Victoria and McGill University, where he obtained a Bachelor of Music degree in performance. He stayed on to become the first guitarist to receive a post-graduate Concert Diploma.

The year 1974 he spent in private study with Jose Tomas in Alicante, Spain. He has also taken master-classes with Ako Ito, Henri Dorigny, Abel Carlevaro, Turibio Santos and Leo Brouwer.

INTENSIVE STUDY

Bryan has made an intensive study of early and contemporary music, and as a composer himself, he has a special interest in new works. He has in fact encouraged a number of Canadian composers to write for the guitar.

Four years ago, Bryan Townsend embarked on his career as a recitalist, and has met with great success, playing with the McGill Baroque Orchestra, the Victoria Conservatory Baroque Ensemble and as a soloist with the McGill Symphony Orchestra.

Last year Bryan performed in the

Canadian premiere of Hans Werner Henze's *El Cimarron*, and several of his programs have been broadcast on CBC and Radio-Quebec.

Currently head of the guitar department at the Victoria Conservatory of Music and guitar instructor for the University of Victoria, Bryan Townsend will take time from a busy schedule to play for us on Sunday at St. George's.

As this is his first visit here, we hope he will receive a warm Salt Spring Island reception!

Association to write minister

The Salt Spring Island Community Planning Association has decided to write the provincial minister of lands, James Chabot, to ask him not to sell any Crown land on the island.

Planning Association member Mike Clement said that there are approximately 7,000 vacant lots in the Islands Trust area which are now in private hands and that this number was sufficient.

The planning association will send the minister a copy of the community plan along with the request. It was mentioned at the meeting that there are approximately 9,000 acres of land on Salt Spring belonging to the government.

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Homeopathic veterinarian was taught by Nootka Indians

BY BRIAN SOBER

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One of Canada's newest citizens and a new resident of Salt Spring Island, Rick is a graduate of the Homeopathic Veterinary School in Augsburg, a small town near Munich, Germany.

Rick became a Canadian citizen on October 3 in Victoria with 80 other persons of 36 nationalities. He says Canada has the finest people of all the many countries he has lived in, including France, Italy and Persia.

"I love this country," Rick says, "because the British thinking of fairness and the French way of life is a good combination."
SINCE APRIL

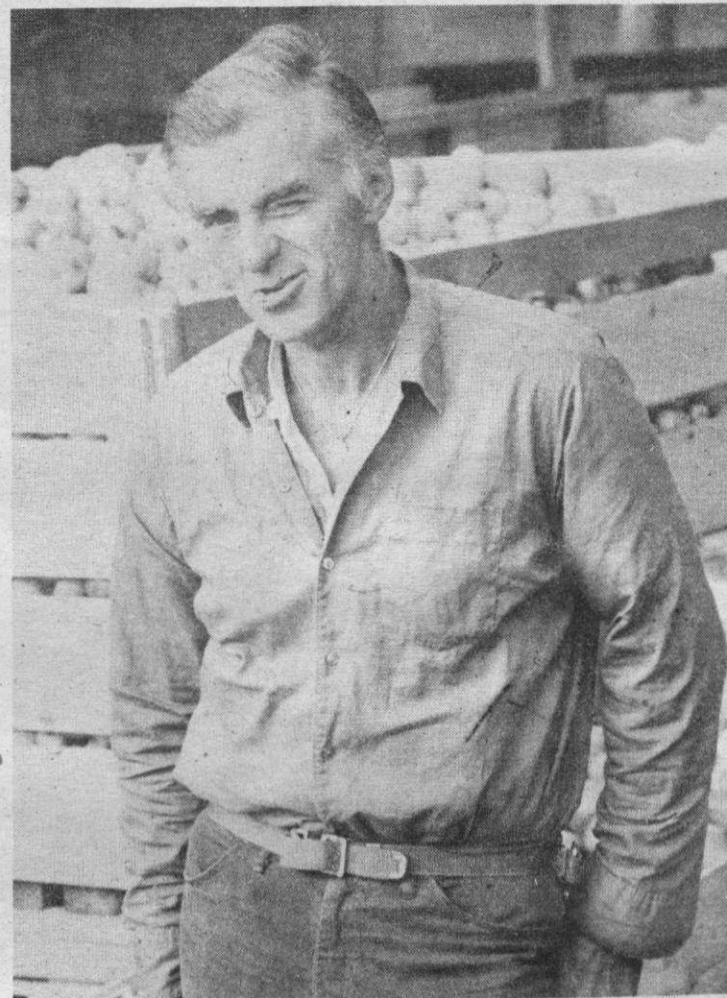
Rick has been living on Salt Spring since April of this year. He arrived in Canada in 1969 after retiring as a colonel of military engineers in the German army. He travelled to Vancouver with his son to visit relatives after his wife died. Rick had intended to put the boy in a Canadian school and return to Germany by himself, but instead he sent his son back home to live with friends and began to look for a job in Vancouver.

His first job was selling shares for the Colonial American Investment Company. Later he turned to sheep farming, having become disillusioned with the investment world.

In 1972 he bought land in the community of Black Creek, near Courtenay, and began raising sheep. In 1975 he returned to Germany to care for his son, who had fallen ill, and while there attended school in Augsburg. After graduating he returned to Canada.

FROM NOOTKA INDIANS
 Not all of Rick's education in homeopathy came from the school in Augsburg. Much of what he knows he claims he learned from the Nootka Indians around Port Alberni on Vancouver Island.

After losing all capacity in his right hand due to a longshoring



New Canadian Rick Zeurn, who recently left for Germany, will return in February to begin his practice as a homeopathic veterinarian on Salt Spring Island.

accident, Rick sought out a particular Indian medicine man who used herb pastes and massage to cure most ailments.

His hand returned to normal with the treatment, and as a bonus he was taught much of the art which the Indians traditionally use with their animals as well as their own people.

An example of a Nootka cure is feeding lice to a sheep suffering from stomach worms. The lice, Rick says, devour the worms inside the animal's stomach and pass through without doing any harm.

Stolen lumber valued at \$700

Approximately \$700 worth of building materials was reported stolen from a building site on Baker Road, Salt Spring Island, RCMP said Tuesday.

Police said a list of the stolen materials included approximately 500 board feet of cedar 1 x 12 and an assortment of fir lumber. The theft was reported October 12 by Phillip Grange of Salt Spring Island, RCMP said.

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Salt Spring Island's agricultural past and the history of early island families are examples of the type of displays that would be offered in a local museum.

Marguerite Lee, a member of the Farmer's Institute, said she has approached the Museum Branch of the provincial secretary's ministry on behalf of the institute with a museum proposal for the island.

She said that the museum advisor for the government strongly supported the proposal and they are now studying floor plans. She added that the Farmer's Institute will soon initiate a fund-raising campaign. She said that if the community raises one-third of the cost of the building the government will provide the rest.

NOT GRANDIOSE

The building will not be on a

grandiose style, she said, but will meet the basic requirements of the community. She said there will be three basic aspects of the museum the planners will consider when choosing a floor plan; early household items, Indian artifacts and old farm equipment

She added that the museum would sponsor displays such as butter churning and sheep shearing.

NOT EXPENSIVE

The museum would not be overly expensive to build, she said, because there would be no need for windows or interior decor. The items on display would provide the decor, said Mrs. Lee.

She said the museum committee is considering small separate huts to display pieces of farm equipment. The items of machinery on

display would be changed frequently and there would be a larger building to house pieces that were under repair.

Already over 400 items have been catalogued and she said the committee has a list "a mile long" of donated items that can be picked up at any time.

She explained that a trust fund has already been established in a local bank for the purpose of holding donations towards the project. She added that money will be raised with the publication of a cookbook listing all the first-prize-winning recipes from the last two Fall Fairs. That book will be available in early November, she said, and another book featuring this year's winning recipes will come out in the spring.

Enforcement requested

RCMP report that requests have been received from the Maliview Drive area asking police to set up a radar unit there.

Police said the complaints are a result of numerous speeders using Maliview Drive as a short cut connecting Walker Hook Road and North End Road.

Police have said they will be enforcing the Motor Vehicle Act in this area.

Second family expected

The Salt Spring Island Boat People Committee met on October 11 to finalize plans for the reception of a second refugee family on Salt Spring.

The following subcommittees have been set up: welcome committee, Ursula McEwen; housing, David Hoskin; clothing, Barbara Smith; furnishings, Nonie Guthrie.

Chairman Alice Andress reported that pledges and donations are coming in well, but about \$2,000 is still needed to ensure proper care of the family when they arrive, and for the ensuing year. Pledge and donation forms are available from committee members.

Donations of furnishings are being stored at the Andress home on St. Mary Lake. There seems to be enough beds, says Nonie Guthrie, but other things are needed such as living room furniture, bathroom needs, almost anything for the kitchen, from major appliances to small items like cooking utensils, and cleaning materials.

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Here's what we're doing

Practising what we preach:

At Hydro, conservation begins at home. So we've initiated a number of continuing programs to cut down our own energy use. In our head office building, in Vancouver, lighting levels have been significantly reduced in a number of areas. We're conducting ongoing reviews of energy efficiency in all our buildings. And, of course, we have reduced our thermostat levels to the temperatures we recommend to other British Columbia business and industrial users.

At our natural gas headquarters, in Burnaby, we are now using a solar water heating system. This provides part of our hot water requirements. When our new research and development centre is completed in Surrey, later this year, its architecture will include integrated solar panel designs. We will monitor the results closely. What we learn could be of benefit to homeowners throughout B.C.

Aerial thermographic surveys:

Hydro is conducting a continuing series of aerial missions to help British Columbia homeowners fight high heating costs. We're taking infra-red aerial pictures of thousands of rooftops. Individual temperatures are recorded on magnetic tape to produce black-and-white "thermograms". These

pinpoint heat losses by showing them as whitish or light grey areas—indicating the need for better insulation.

The thermograms are displayed in shopping malls, where homeowners are invited to come and see how their insulation measures up. B.C. Hydro personnel are on hand to help people locate their homes and to interpret the results. To date, this program has shown thousands of British Columbians how to save energy and money. We expect thousands more to benefit.

Second in a series.



Home with poor roof insulation

Home with well insulated roof

Home with no roof insulation

Commercial building with damaged roof insulation



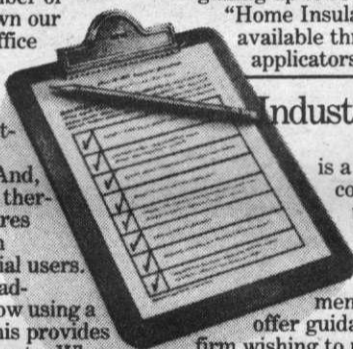
Research:

We are participating in test programs to replace the pilot light of gas furnaces with electric ignition (no constant pilot), and other innovations for gas appliances.

In another project, we're studying energy and dollar savings in homes fitted with newly recommended insulation levels in roofs, walls and windows. Preliminary results are very promising—savings in excess of 20% are indicated over levels usually encountered.

B.C. Hydro Home Insulation Finance Plan:

To date, B.C. Hydro has financed over \$1,000,000 to customers taking the first easy step in energy conservation. We make up to \$500.00 available—at a modest 10% finance charge—for bringing insulation and window glazing up to recommended standards. The "Home Insulation Finance Plan" is available through participating insulation applicators or retailers.



Industry gets the message:

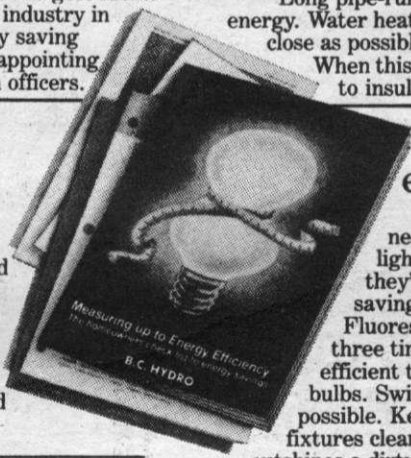
"Save Energy—Save Money" is a province-wide program to help commercial and industrial energy users reduce their use—and, of course, cost—of lighting energy. Hydro specialists provide information for recommended changes. We also offer guidance and advice to any firm wishing to undertake an audit of its total energy efficiency.

We're conducting a series of seminars on all aspects of industrial energy use. These have been attended by executives and engineers from some of British Columbia's largest firms.

As proof that business and industry in this province are taking energy saving seriously, many firms are now appointing their first energy conservation officers.

Public information programs:

Television and radio commercials. Posters. Transit advertising. Displays and demonstrations. Brochures and bill inserts. And print advertisements like the one you're reading now. Hydro is passing the message along to every energy user in the province: We must conserve energy. And we must do it now.



Here's what you can do

Home heating:

Heating accounts for about two-thirds of the total energy used in your home. So this is one area where a little attention can pay big dividends. Cleaning or replacing filters twice each heating season is a good first step.

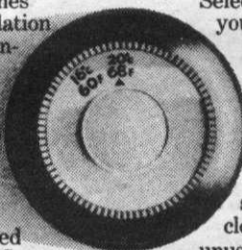
Install adequate insulation:

Take advantage of B.C. Hydro's Home Insulation Finance Plan to upgrade

your insulation to recommended standards. Based on present energy costs, the cost of insulation can sometimes be recovered in as little as five years of use. After that—it's money in your pocket.

Reduce indoor temperatures:

Select the minimum temperature you need for comfort. Try 20°C (68°F) for daytime, and 16°C (60°F) at night. Use the night setting if your home is unoccupied for a few hours. It only takes a half-hour or so for the average home to return to 20°C. For further savings, turn off the heat and close the registers and doors in unused rooms.



Check weatherstripping, thermostats, dampers:

Make sure windows and doors are properly weatherstripped to eliminate drafts and heat losses. Storm doors are another energy saver.

Thermostats should be located on inside walls where they are not affected by heat from the sun or appliances—or by drafts.

Keep fireplace dampers securely closed when not in use.

Water heating is big too:

Next to home heating, water heating is the biggest consumer of energy, so check those drips. One drip per second adds up to a tankful every week. That's energy and money down the drain.

Make sure the temperature control on your water heater is at the lowest setting compatible with cleaning efficiency.

Long pipe-runs waste heating energy. Water heaters should be located as close as possible to the point of use.

When this is not feasible, it helps to insulate the hot water pipe.

Lighting is an easy waster:

Use the light you need, but turn off lights when and where they're not required. This saving is at your fingertips.

Fluorescent lights are about three times more energy-efficient than incandescent bulbs. Switch to them wherever possible. Keep light bulbs and fixtures clean. A clean 60-watt bulb outshines a dirty 100. Consider the use of dimmers and timers to restrict lighting to the amount and location needed.

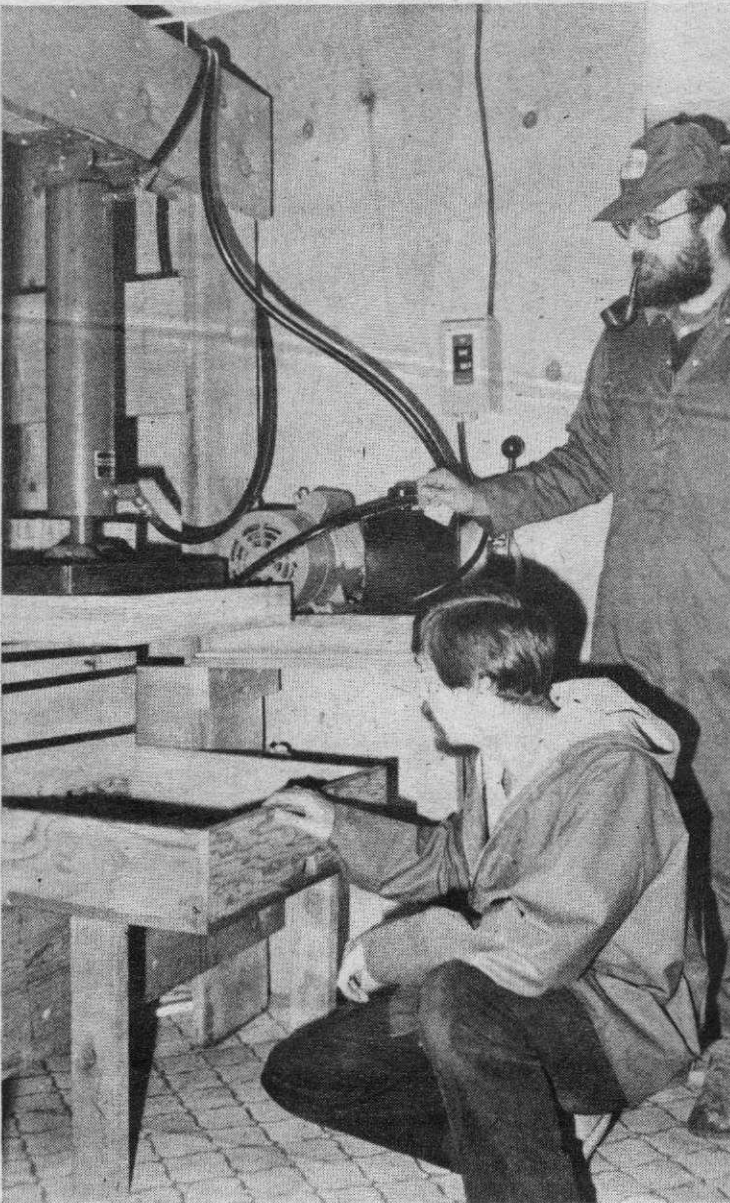
Other suggestions?

These are only a few of the things you can do to save energy and money around your home. If you'd like a free brochure of energy-efficient ideas for your home, visit or contact your local Hydro office and ask for "The Homeowner's Checklist of Energy Savings".



WE'D LIKE TO HELP YOU SAVE ENERGY. AND MONEY.

New press will produce 70 gallons per day



New apple press owned by Abundance Farm Juicing will be operated by John Boc (standing)

and supplied with fruit by John McLeod of Phoenix Orchards (lower left).

One of Salt Spring Island's successful cottage industries, Abundance Farm Juicing, has modernized its plant and increased its worker productivity with the installation of a new and larger capacity apple press.

John Boc, owner-operator of the plant, told *Driftwood* that the new hydraulically-operated press can juice apples three times faster than the old hand-operated machine he used last year.

Boc said the new machine can produce 70 gallons of apple juice per day. The press, which was conceived and designed by Boc, was manufactured by Smith Bros.

A new stainless-steel chopper has been added to the plant as well. The chopper, which prepares the apples for pressing, was designed by a research scientist at the Summerland Research Centre in the Okanagan, Boc said.

Abundance Farm Juicing began operation last year and is supplied with apples by Phoenix Orchards, a non-profit organization of local orchard owners.

The juice can be bought fresh or pasteurized in glass containers at the Farmers' Market in Ganges. People with their own apples can have them juiced by Boc on a 50/50 share basis.

'Irresponsible hunters' under fire

"Will nothing be done until someone gets killed?" asked an angry and upset Salt Spring resident Tuesday morning, who claimed she had come close to being shot at by hunters in the Cusheon Lake area.

"My God, it's frightening," she stated. "We can't even go on the road without being shot at."

The caller, who didn't wish to be identified, said she had been out for a walk Tuesday morning when a shot rang out nearby.

Some hunters are not responsible, she charged.

"Those idiots don't give a damn."

She told *Driftwood* she had called the Ganges RCMP detachment immediately after the incident but was not pleased with the response she received.

"The police won't do a damn thing," she said. "By the time you finish answering all those stupid questions, you could get killed."

She stated that hunting should not be permitted in any built-up area.

Later, Ace Mainwaring of the Ganges RCMP detachment told *Driftwood* that the woman had not given the police a chance to do anything. He said she had hung up on them and had refused to give her name.

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Septic tank is under new building

New development on McPhillips Avenue in Ganges is being built over a septic tank, *Driftwood* was told this week.

Yvette Valcourt said that the Shell service station's septic tank lies underneath the site of the new building.

Driftwood was also told that the operators of the garage kept up a continuous flushing of the toilet while cement was being poured to ensure that the cement didn't restrict the flow of sewage.

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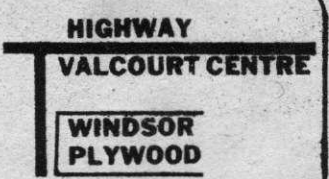
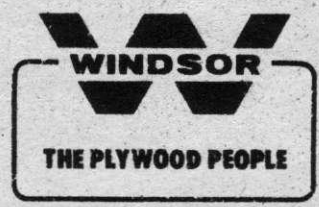
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Five-session course

Class will give deeper insight into writing

BY VIRGINIA NEWMAN
Co-ordinator, Continuing Education

Phyllis Webb, well known Canadian poet who resides on Salt Spring Island, will be touring Ontario this fall, reading and discussing her own poems. Because of her tight schedule, the Canadian Literature class offered by the Gulf Islands Continuing Education department will have to be moved ahead one week to October 24.

This mini-course of five sessions will examine novels by contemporary Canadian women writers with instructor Maggie Warbey of U Vic, modern Canadian poets with Phyllis Webb, and one evening with local writers Beth Hill and Jan Gould, who have published books based on B.C. people and places.

A book list will be circulated to students so that they may read recommended material to be discussed at later sessions. Mrs. Warbey will meet the class first on Wednesday, October 24 at 7.30 in Room 4 at the high school. After preliminary discussion and introduction of the authors and poets on the prescribed list, class will be dismissed for two weeks of study and reading.

DISCUSS SELECTIONS

When they resume on November 14 they will discuss the first selections read with Maggie. The following week, on November 21, Phyllis Webb will meet the class and introduce the contemporary Canadian poets she has chosen for this short course. Then she will discuss with the class selections from the latest edition of *15 Canadian Poets [plus 5]* edited by Gary Geddes.

Phyllis Webb, born in Victoria and educated at UBC, has published five collections of poetry, including *Selected Poems*, available in local bookstores.

She was executive producer of *Ideas*, the CBC TV series out of

Toronto, from 1965 to 1969, and was assistant professor of creative writing at U Vic last year.

NO HOMEWORK

On November 28 the class will be taken by Jan Gould and Beth Hill, for which no homework is required.

Beth will discuss her research and the eventual writing of her latest book, *The Remarkable World of Frances Barkley*, published this year.

Details for the historical account of the life of the first white woman on the coast of B.C. took Beth and her photographer-husband on a search of England two years ago. Many people will recall the Hills' other books: *Guide to Indian Rock Carving*, and *Indian Petroglyphs of the Pacific Northwest Coast [1975]*.

Jan Gould, formerly of Salt Spring Island and now living in Victoria, has brought out the first book of fiction to be both written and published in B.C.; it contains short stories about Salt Spring Island people and places.

EASILY IDENTIFIED

According to Mrs. Gould, the people are composite characters but the places will be quite easily identified. *The Boathouse Question* is the title, and the author will discuss the writing of short stories in general and her book in particular.

Maggie Warbey was educated at San Francisco State College, UBC and U Vic; her field is linguistics, which deals with the descriptions and usage of languages.

She teaches at U Vic, working with by- and multi-lingual students and those with language abnormalities.

In our Canadian Literature mini-course, Maggie will choose modern women writers of Canada, mainly Margaret Laurence, Alice Munro, Margaret Atwood, Jane Rule and Sheila Watson. She will "wrap up" the series on Wednesday December 12.

DEEPER INSIGHT

Students who join this class and purchase the recommended paperbacks will have a deeper insight into modern Canadian writing, as well as additions to their personal libraries which can be read and re-read over the years. Many people wish to be better informed about their own country's writers, but haven't known just where to begin.

Those interested in joining this small five-session course may call me for more information.

Milking time at Bright Farm



Above, cats are very much a part of the milking scene and don't seem to mind if the milk comes from cows, or in this case, from Phyllis Coleman and Bright Farm's goats. Returning home in the fog after milking the goats (below) adds a surrealistic touch to the evening chores. Just recognizable through the mist are Babs Bremner and Phyllis Coleman.



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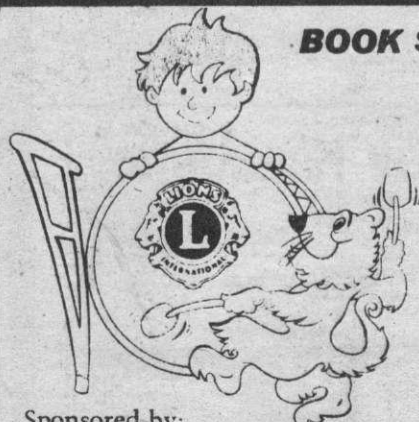
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One of Galiano's oldest buildings is burned



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Old house is burned in practice by Galiano volunteer firemen.

BY MARY HARDING

One of the oldest buildings on Galiano Island was deliberately burned under the watchful eye of the volunteer firemen on Sunday.

Dr. A.H. Pontifex of Vancouver bought the house and land at Arbutus Point from Fred Robson last year. They wished to have the place cleaned up and the old house burned down in order to make way for a new home.

The land was pre-empted early in 1884 and three people had the place before Mr. Winstanley. He built a bungalow and lived there with his wife and four children. He had a Mr. Gillespie come over from Mayne Island to build the first addition.

Arbutus Point has had many owners. Among them were the Alec Scoones family, the Bambrick

family. The Cochorans and the Allens ran a boarding house there for some time. Max and Jane Hillary also owned the place and they took in boarders, too.

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Len Rawluk bought it and rented it to a group of young folks, who built several little cabins nearby.

When Mr. Robson bought the land a year ago, he cleaned up the cabins and generally tidied up the place.

At 10 am Sunday the burning began. The firemen were busy keeping the fire under control, using both fire trucks and two pumps to give maximum protection.



Notice of Public Information Meeting

Provincial Agricultural Land Commission

Take notice that the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission will be convening a Public Information Meeting on Monday, October 29 at 7.30 pm at the Mayne Island Elementary School, Fernhill Road, Mayne Island, for the purpose of hearing all persons who deem their interest in property affected by the application of Mayne Field Incorporated to construct a grass surfaced airstrip on a portion of Lots 9, 10 and 11, Section 6, Plan 25931, Cowichan District in the Agricultural Land Reserve.

The lands affected by the application are in the Village Bay area of Mayne Island.

Copies of the maps showing the areas under application may be viewed at the Agricultural Land Commission office, 4333 Ledger Avenue, Burnaby, on any working day during working hours.

A.C. Kinnear,
Chairman, Provincial
Agricultural Land
Commission

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