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GANGES, BRITISH COLUMBIA

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Vietnamese refugee family moves into house at Ganges

Salt Spring Island's first Vietnamese refugees moved into their rented home on Park Drive last week.

The family of six arrived Tuesday after spending a week in Edmonton while their youngest child (a girl named Tuyet; pro-

nounced Suay) received medical attention.

The family was met at the airport in Victoria by the United Church committee responsible for their resettlement. The day after their arrival the Lam family attended their first English class at the United Church. The classes will be held once a week. The two oldest boys, Huy and Xuong (pronounced Hughie and Soong), began school Monday in Ganges. The youngest boy Thanh (Ton) will remain at home.

A member of the church committee, Olive Mouat, said the main concern at this time is to teach the Lams how to read and write English. The father, Viet, has already begun to read and write some words and is beginning to understand a little of what is spoken to him by his Canadian visitors.

Miss Mouat said that people on the island have been very generous with donations of household items and toys for the children. She added that the Lams have everything they need for the time being.

Mei Hua, a Canadian woman of Chinese descent who has been living on Salt Spring for the past six months, has been acting as the interpreter for the Lams. She asked Viet Lam if he and his wife, Nguyet Thu Thai were happy in their new home. He replied that they were very happy and very appreciative of the Canadian people and especially Salt Spring Islanders.

He said he hopes that one day he can repay those who have helped them. He added that he would like to find a job as soon as possible and would be willing to take anything. In Saigon, where the Lams once lived, Viet worked as a mechanic. He holds a Vietnamese driver's license and is planning to get his B.C. license.



Happy in their new home at Park Drive are the Lam family from Saigon, who arrived on Salt

Spring Island last week. Two children are in school and all are studying English.

List of candidates up as election approaches

More Gulf Island residents have announced their candidacy in the upcoming elections November 17.

New to the list of candidates are Vern Roddick of South Pender Island who is running for the office of regional director, and Weldon Pinchin of Mayne Island a contender for the same seat. Also from Mayne Island is Joan Sprague who will run for a position on the Islands Trust.

Mary Williamson is the only new contender at this time for one of five vacancies on the school board.

There are three positions open on Salt Spring, and one each on Mayne and Saturna. David Stacey is up for re-election on Salt Spring and Jeannine Dodds from Mayne Island and Tom Davidson from Saturna will both seek further terms in office.

There will be two vacancies on the Capital Regional Board. Terms of Mike Clement of Salt Spring Island and Jim Campbell of Saturna both reach an end in December.

Mike Clement has served one year, completing the unfinished term of the late Jim Bryce. He will seek a further term.

Jim Campbell has served 10 years, including many years as chairman of the board. When asked by *Driftwood* earlier if he intended on running again for office he said he had not decided yet because of the demands of his Saturna farm.

Driftwood tried to reach Campbell for a statement Tuesday morning but he was not available.

PCB levels below those set by U.S.

Testing of local eggs for polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's) has shown that the levels of the toxic chemical are below the acceptable levels set by the United States.

Agriculture Canada released the results this week after having refused to do so, claiming that it was "classified information".

Four samples of eggs taken from Salt Spring about three weeks ago were found to contain 0.03, 0.10, 0.07 and 0.07 parts per million of PCB's.

The acceptable level which has been set in the U.S. is 0.3 ppm.

Barry Morgan, chief of food inspection for the health protection branch of Agriculture Canada, told *Driftwood* that there are "no published accepted levels" in Canada.

"They have to be set by administrative ruling," he said.

The results of the tests were obtained by Gail Secor of Salt Spring Island, who spoke with both Morgan and Dr. A.B. Morrison of Ottawa, who is also with the health protection branch.

REFUSED

Morgan refused to provide *Driftwood* with the information unless a reporter called Ottawa for Morrison's permission to have it released.

Mrs. Secor learned that the levels of PCB's in the eggs being tested were dropping. Latest results show contamination of 0.01 to 0.03 ppm.

Levels of PCB's in broiler chickens are now reported to be around 0.03 ppm. Acceptable level in the U.S. is 3 ppm. Tests show that broiler levels have dropped by over 60%.

The health protection branch took 64 samples of eggs from various regions of the province and one sample was found to contain over 0.14 ppm.

Of the 121 samples of broilers

tested, 13 contained over 1 ppm and the highest level was 3.03 ppm, 0.03 above the accepted level in the U.S.

Mrs. Secor also learned that laying hens wouldn't have high levels of PCB's in their bodies because the time they spent on contaminated feed would not be a large portion of their life-span. In addition, they don't store much fat, which is where the chemical collects.

Meanwhile, pheasants being raised in the Fraser Valley have been found to contain "fairly high" levels of polychlorinated biphenyls and Barry Morgan told

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Hearing at Mayne to examine Active Pass

The Canadian Coast Guard is inviting the public to present briefs on the subject of fishing in Active Pass: should it be curtailed, eliminated or left as it is.

A meeting will be held November 14 at Mayne Island, at 7.00 pm in the elementary school gymnasium. Anyone interested in commenting on the matter must submit their presentation in writing before November 5. Each person will be allowed 10 minutes at the hearing to speak on his presentation.

Briefs should be sent to the Regional Director of the Canadian Coast Guard, Box 10060, Pacific Centre, 700 West Georgia Street Vancouver, B.C. V7Y 1E1.

Trincomali Subdivision at Pender

Region assumes responsibility for repairs to water system

Some relief is in sight for residents of Trincomali Subdivision on North Pender Island, who have been without water for three months, *Driftwood* learned Tuesday.

Mike Williams, senior design engineer for the Capital Regional District, said his department will begin work immediately on making the necessary repairs to one of five inoperative pumps.

Five out of seven wells servicing the subdivision have been off the line due to the mechanical failure of diesel-driven pumps.

Two 10,000-gallon holding tanks are empty and the water mains which service the fire hydrants are dry.

Trincomali property owners want all the wells electrified but Williams said this cannot be done.

until the lot owners decide if they want the CRD to take over the system.

The regional district is considering taking it over from Pender Utilities Ltd., the Vancouver-based company that maintained it.

Return to standard time Sunday

Standard time returns Sunday when clocks are set back one hour.

It means the end of daylight saving time and signifies that winter is close at hand.

The property owners are blaming Pender Utilities for the deterioration of the water facilities and say the company has refused to spend money to make the necessary repairs.

Pender Utilities has applied to the Water Rights Branch for permission to abandon the system and collect on a \$20,000 maintenance relief fund set up in 1971 and held in trust in a Vancouver bank.

In a letter to the Trincomali Property Owners Association, Pender Utilities stated that revenue taken in from tariffs applied to the property owners had not been enough to meet expenses accrued over a 14-year period. As a result, the company shareholders had to subsidize the water system to an

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Water system

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amount exceeding \$20,000. Trincomali resident John Howell told *Driftwood* that the maintenance relief fund should be given to whoever assumes responsibility for the system and should be used to upgrade the water service. It should not be given to Pender Utilities, he said.

TO PAY OFF DEBTS

Howell added that Pender Utilities would likely use the money to pay off their debts instead of using it to repair broken pumps.

A shareholder of Pender Utilities who wished to remain anonymous told *Driftwood* that if the relief fund were turned over to the three shareholders they would likely keep it rather than spend it on the water system.

He said "if you had the chance to redeem some money that you had lost wouldn't you go for it?"

Mike Williams of the CRD said that the water comptroller's department has made no decision

yet as to who will get the relief fund, which is under the comptroller's jurisdiction.

Williams added that the monies used to do emergency repairs to the Trincomali Subdivision water system will come from the maintenance relief fund.

PCB's

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Driftwood he understood that 1,300 of the birds had been ordered destroyed.

A representative of SPEC is to be the speaker at a meeting slated for November 1 in the family room at the Community Centre in Ganges.

Thelma MacAdam will discuss polychlorinated biphenyls and the feed contamination issue.

Meeting will begin at 1 pm.

Responsiveness, responsibility are key words in her campaign

Mary Williamson, who was narrowly defeated in last year's school district election, will run again for school trustee on November 17.

Mrs. Williamson was born in Indian Head, Saskatchewan, in 1921 and is a third generation Canadian.

She attended public school in England from which, she said, "I emerged with an ineradicable upper-class English accent and true blue Conservative politics." She said her only concession to liberalism was to back Cambridge in the boat race.

She added that her academic education enriched her life and she didn't begrudge the three months she spent at Pitman's College learning shorthand and typing, so that she could make a commercial living rather than a professional one.

NURSING

Her nursing career was cut short by illness and her wartime service included four years in the Metropolitan Police. She wound up her career there as the elected representative of the Auxiliary Women Police for the whole of the Metro Police Department.



MARY WILLIAMSON

After the war she was engaged by the B.B.C. Television Network to organize an auditions unit. It was the first in England and is now used as a model by all television companies. The next 15 years, she said, were spent in show business. Eventually she returned to

Canada with the promise of a television job in Vancouver. The job didn't materialize so she settled in Victoria where she married and adopted two small children. Later she ran a home there for emotionally disturbed adults and later a group home for teenagers.

IN 1970

Mrs. Williamson and her husband moved to Salt Spring Island in 1970 and they bought a home in Vesuvius Bay. Her husband Harry started his own business and together they fostered their 13th teenager for one-and-a-half years.

Mary Williamson believes that schools should exist primarily for children: not for parents, not for teachers and not for school boards or governments.

She said she believes that children must have somewhere they feel safe, secure and valued. She says that schools should not be just for the average middle-of-the-road, run-of-the-mill child, but should be for all children, especially exceptional children (genius through handicapped) and most of all for children who come from troubled homes.

MONEY AVAILABLE

She said that there is money available, but it should be carefully channelled to where it will do the most good, for the children.

Teachers should always be searching for new ways (or old ways), she added, to reach and teach so that children may enjoy and therefore learn. More children, she said, learn through enjoyment than the other way around.

She said that the school board should not be so embroiled in regulations and procedures that it forgets the primary purpose: the children.

In summarizing her position, the candidate said the key words of her campaign are "responsiveness and responsibility", both to the voters and to the children but, she added, the children come first.



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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Dinner meeting Monday

President of the B.C. Resources Investment Corporation will be the guest speaker at a dinner meeting Monday at the Fulford Inn.

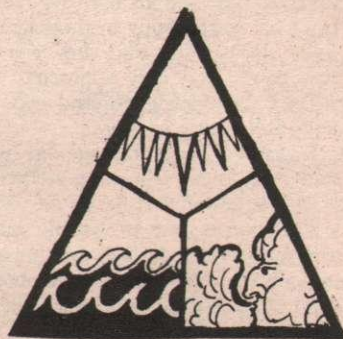
David Helliwell has been invited to speak at the meeting, sponsored by the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce.

Helliwell was named president and chief executive officer of the corporation in March, 1978. Prior to his appointment, he was presi-

dent of Steel Brothers Canada Ltd., an industrial chemical manufacturing and construction materials distribution company.

A Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of B.C., he is also a director of B.C. Resources, Canadian Cellulose Ltd., Kootenay Forest Products, Plateau Mills Ltd., Westcoast Transmission Co., Steel Brothers, Fidelity Life Assurance Co., Great West Steel Industries Ltd. and Barbecon Inc.

Monday's meeting will take place in the Blue Heron Room of the Fulford Inn, beginning at 6.30. Cost is \$10 per person.



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— Norm Rubin, a nuclear researcher for an Ontario ecology group.

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Marking their 65th anniversary



Celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary are Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Grist, residents of the extended care wing at Lady Minto Hospital. They are joined by their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Grist. The party was Monday.

New books are listed

New books in the library at Ganges include the following.

Fiction

Life Before Man, by Margaret Atwood; *The Mangan Inheritance*, by Brian Moore; *From the Fifteenth District*, by Mavis Gallant; *Sophie's Choice*, by William Styron; *Sphinx*, by Robin Cook; *A Woman of Substance*, by Barbara Taylor Bradford; *The Resurrection of Joseph Bourne*, by Jack Hodgins; *The Virgin in the Garden*, by A.S. Byatt; *The Year of the French*, by Thomas Flanagan; *Rumours of Peace*, by Ella Leffland; *Love, Etc.*, by Bel Kaufman; *To Catch a King*, by Harry Patterson.

Non-Fiction

Bloomsbury: A House of Lions, by Leon Edel; *North of South*, by Shiva Naipaul; *Blood of Spain*, by Ronald Fraser; *A Portrait of Jane Austen*, by David Cecil; *An Ape Came Out of My Hatbox*, by Lyn Hancock; *A Private Battle*, by Cornelius Ryan and Kathryn Morgan Ryan; *The Mahogany Tree: A History of Punch*, by Arthur Prager; *Darwin and the Mysterious Mr. X*, by Loren Eiseley; *Bernard Berenson*, by Ernest Samuels; *Aunt Erma's Cope Book*, by Erma Bombeck; *Your Second Life*, by Gay Gaer Luce; *And No Birds Sang*, by Farley Mowat; *Stonehenge*, by Leon Stover and Bruce Kraig; *The Art of Crewel Embroidery*, by Mildred Davis.

Welfare is their concern

The Salt Spring auxiliary of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has indicated that there is some confusion over the relationship between that group and the Animal Control Division of the Capital Regional District.

The former is concerned for the welfare of all animals and wildlife and its main objectives include providing assistance to injured animals and birds and educating the public in the care of animals and pets. The group also operates a lost and found service.

The Animal Control Division is designed to control domestic animals that are straying and becoming a nuisance or menace to the community and other animals. It is also responsible for the sale of dog licenses.

Discount removal not planned

The removal of residential discounts for ferry users in the Gulf Islands is not planned, although ferry corporation officials are looking at all special fare considerations and tariffs, *Driftwood* has been told.

B.C. Ferries official Bill Bouchard denied a rumour that permanent resident cards were not being issued because the company was considering eliminating the discounts.

Bouchard said the corporation does not want to get into the business of identifying residents and has no facilities for issuing cards. He said identifying residents is "nothing but a hassle".

He added that the Capital Regional District originally began producing picture cards when the plan was established in 1976, but backed off later, leaving the job for the ferry company. Bouchard said B.C. Ferries will continue issuing letters for residents but will not manufacture plastic picture cards.

Accident leads to charge

A two-car accident near Lower Ganges Rd. and Booth Canal Rd. last Saturday caused an estimated \$2,500 damage to the vehicles and led to charges being laid against one of the drivers, police said.

The accident involved a 1968 Vauxhall driven by Louisa Hilckman and an International panel truck driven by Charles Farina, RCMP reported.

Police say they are charging Farina with impaired driving.

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President, B.C. Resources
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Maybe those signs will start coming down

It's about time, is one of the comments we could make about the regional health officer's recent announcement to clamp down on malfunctioning septic tanks and disposal fields on waterfront properties in the Capital Region.

However, we would prefer to commend Dr. A.S. Arneil on his move and express the hope that the Capital Regional Board directors will display more support for the idea than they did last week.

In the past the regional district has shown apathy and disinterest towards the numerous properties which have been feeding the ocean with septic discharges for many, many years.

On Salt Spring Island alone, the Environmental Protection Service has identified over a dozen locations where sewage is leaking in to the sea. Officials of the Protection Service carried out a survey of the island over two years ago and subsequently relayed the information to the Community Health Service.

The Health Service was invited at the time to participate in further surveys but the invitation was not accepted.

Now, perhaps, we will see some action taken on cleaning up those disposal problems.

Maybe we can even look forward to the day when those signs warning that the taking of shellfish is prohibited start coming down.

Legion poppy campaign under way at Salt Spring

Sir,
Our annual poppy campaign is now under way, and we are sure the residents of Salt Spring Island will again respond to this annual appeal for funds for those veterans, widows and dependents who, in time of need, are assisted on this island from the proceeds of the poppy fund. Said proceeds are, by federal authority, held in trust for this purpose.

Under the terms of administration of these funds a branch may, up to 10% of annual donations, allocate funds to veterans of allied forces who are in great need. In this connection we frequently make a donation to the Gurkha Welfare Fund in Nepal. Last year we made a contribution of \$150 to that fund, which assists members and dependents of these renowned troops who acquitted themselves with such great distinction and valour in the fields of battle.

Many veterans on Salt Spring Island can tell of their association with the Gurkhas, who are among those unfortunates who have never been granted pensions or any form of rehabilitation following their heroic part in the last great conflict. (A small minority who were "regulars", and some of the seriously wounded, may get the equivalent of \$5 a month.) Funds permitting, we will make a similar donation this year.

It is my privilege to commend the residents of Salt Spring Island for their most generous support of the poppy campaign in past years.

We anticipate a similar response this year, and invite you to join us in our service at the cenotaph at 11 am Sunday, November 11.

Lest We Forget.
IVER J. GILLEN,
President,
Royal Canadian Legion,
Branch 92,
Ganges.
October 22, 1979.

Gasoline still a bargain

Sir,
Why such screams about the price of gasoline?

In 1932, when wages averaged about 60¢ per hour, the price of gasoline was about 30¢ per gallon.

Now, when wages average \$8 to \$10 per hour, the price is about \$1 per gallon of gas.

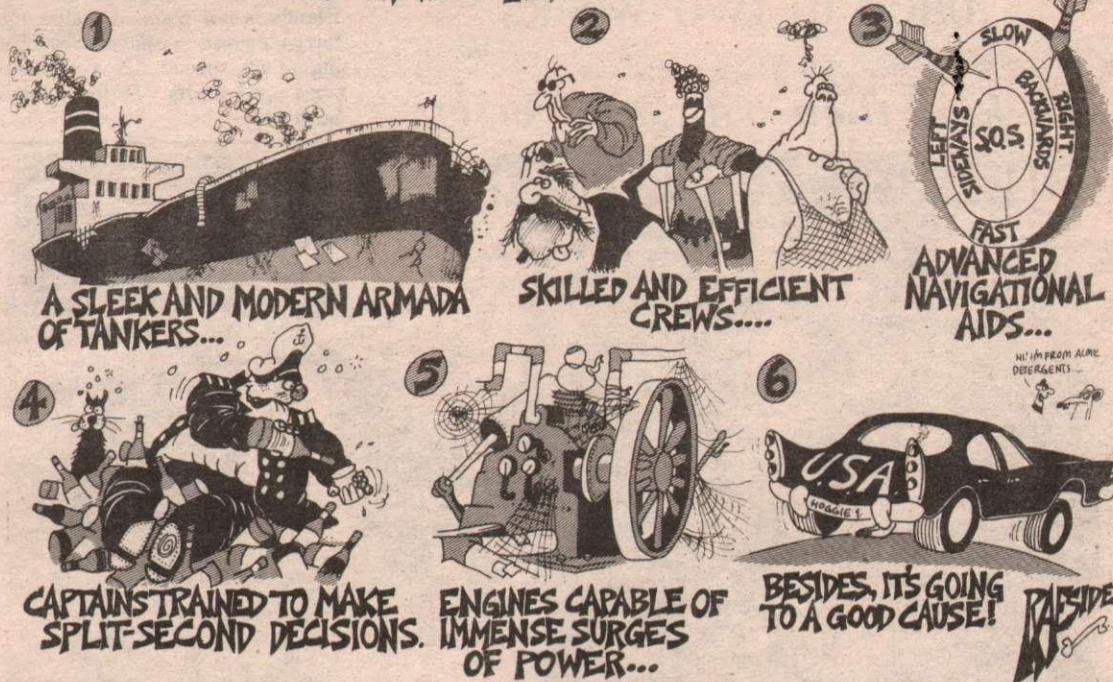
Gasoline has increased in price 333%, while wages increased nearly 500%!

A Ford sedan cost about \$1,800 in 1932. Now the price is, say \$9,000; up about 500%

Relatively speaking, the price of gas could go to \$1.50 and still be a bargain, allowing for inflation!

KEITH JACKSON,
Mayne Island.
October 18, 1979.

6 REASONS WHY IT'S SO SAFE TO SHIP OIL DOWN THE B.C. COAST....



Letters to the Editor

Oil port, Sedro-Woolley reactors, uranium mining major threats today

Sir,
I feel this is the best way to answer all those people who have stopped me in the street, phoned and written, to ask me what are the most crucial environmental concerns now and what are the simple things we can do.

As best I see and this is all I can do, the Gulf Islands are presently most threatened by the decision to build the oil port at Port Angeles, the Sedro-Woolley reactors and uranium mining in the Okanagan.

Port Angeles is inside the Straits of Juan de Fuca. Supertanker traffic would ply the waters on this side of Juan de Fuca. The drift of ocean currents is decidedly northward, up into the Straits of Georgia. The Gulf Islands will be sitting ducks, smack in the path of all oil sludge. Experts claim there is a 75% chance of a major tanker accident, inside the Straits of Juan de Fuca, within 20 years! There you have it.

Sedro-Woolley has been discussed before and I need only add that things look good here unless "the fix is in". Therein lies the rub. It is possible that corporate pressure will be brought to bear upon the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, so that it overrules the judicial process and refuses permission to SCANP to cross-examine two key geologists. Should this occur, Puget Power and Light will receive permission to construct the Sedro-Woolley reactors.

With regard to the uranium mining, millions of tons of uranium laden rock have been found in the Okanagan: the richest deposit in B.C., right around Kelowna, oddly enough! If mining goes ahead,

these millions of tons will be processed to produce 7,600 tons of pure-grade uranium. This will leave millions of tons of radioactive tailings behind, to quietly radiate the surrounding countryside for the next half-a-million years.

Of course the Okanagan is also the core of the fruit industry and it is unlikely that growers will tolerate hot particles picking away at their orchards. However, if here, as in Washington, corporate muscle overrules government responsibility to local residents, then we in the Gulf Islands who acquire our fruit from the Okanagan will have a bushel of problems in our hot little hands.

Suggestions for simple action are that we write, again and again, to various government representatives, stating our concerns and asking them what they are doing about it.

For the Port Angeles oil port and the Sedro-Woolley reactors, we can write to our federal representatives: Flora MacDonald, minister of external affairs; John Fraser, environment minister (but remember that he is a member of the Trilateral Commission!); James McGrath, fisheries and oceans minister; and Don Taylor, local M.P.; at Parliament Buildings, Ottawa.

We can also write our provincial representatives about these issues: Bill Bennett; Ron McClelland, minister of health; Rafe Mair, minister for the environment and Hugh Curtis, your local MLA. All in Victoria, of course. These individuals can also be addressed concerning the uranium mining. They will cite the Bates Inquiry process but be not fooled. The government has sunk millions into explorations already, is courting investors and there must be a pay-off somewhere in there, no?

The letter writing might have more of an impact at the federal level, since this is a young government and thus, hopefully, more answerable to the public than our provincial government, which has grown a little blaze. It's certainly worth a try at least, for at this time, every little drop helps.

The other thing people can do, which is less simple but still relatively uncomplicated, is to help out with the little chores at SEAS, such as putting up posters, mailing newsletters, etc. This would free up time for those willing to do the more complicated stuff, such as research and documentation.

Finally, I just want to say that I'm gratified at the positive feedback I sometimes receive for what is, I know, something none of us really wants to hear about.

In the words of your favourite doctor: "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure!" (John Coombs).

JEZRAH HEARNE,
Fulford Harbour.
October 22, 1979.

P.S. I really do need an attache case!

Donald Moe will be missed

Sir,
The end came suddenly for Don Moe. He loved to fly. He was a fine young man who attracted many people, young and old, to his ministry. He had courage.

He especially worked hard at the Sunday School and the kids responded to the church program which was fun as well as instructional. He was a talented singer and made many records of religious songs. He left his mark on the island, even in the short time he was here.

He once explained, "The reason I could become a minister was because Pop worked hard all his life and saved so that I would be able to devote my life to the church."

He cared a lot about people.
He will be missed.
G. HOWLAND,
Box 14,
Ganges.
October 19, 1979.

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this week,
says Salt Spring Island
Chamber of Commerce.

Letters to the Editor

Visitor to Germany examines anti-nuclear program there

Sir,

Two weeks ago, I arrived back from a visit to Germany. The purpose of my journey had been, in part, to assess and to evaluate the impact of the West German nuclear program. Initially, I didn't know where to turn for information, when a half-page ad in a local paper caught my attention. This temporarily halted in accordance with the current German moratorium - deplored the "negative attitude" of a so-called "vocal minority". The effect was throwing Germany back technologically as well as economically, in comparison with her more "progressive" European neighbours - notably France, where vocal minorities allegedly do not exist, and where 33(!) atomic reactors are rapidly nearing completion!

Through the aforementioned ad I came into possession of a small booklet put out by the anti-nuclear Institute for Biological Safety, with headquarters in Bremen, Germany. This booklet deals with the tragic consequences encountered when, in 1964, a nuclear reactor was put into operation near the city of Lingen, Germany.

Almost immediately, small children began to develop leukemia and bone cancer, at a rate six times of what would normally be expected. In every case, the affected children had been living in a north-easterly direction from the reactor, i.e. downwind from this area, noted for its prevailing southwesterly winds. The stricken children all died within a time span ranging from as little as 76 days to a maximum of nine years, and at distances from the plant of up to 125 kilometres.

Dr. Walther Soyka, the Austrian-born founder of the Institute for Biological Safety, first opened this can of worms, only to be violently attacked by nuclear plant and government officials alike. At long last, however, Dr. Soyka's findings are now being corroborated by medical as well as by state authorities.

Public discussion important

Sir,

I was visiting my father Norman W. Hind-Smith on Woodland Drive over the Thanksgiving weekend. He showed me a copy of your editorial of Wednesday, September 26 titled *Future Holds Big Changes in Communications*.

I thought it was most thoughtful and to the point, and I do congratulate you on sharing your insights with your readers in a lead editorial. The cable television industry in Canada is exploring a wide variety of new service offerings to its subscribers along the lines you described. It is very important that we have the benefit of the kind of public discussion which you have initiated.

Congratulations!
MICHAEL HIND-SMITH,
President, Canadian Cable Television Association,
October 15, 1979.

In 1977, the state government of Niedersachsen ordered the reactor at Lingen shut down indefinitely, thereby tacitly admitting that not all was well. Last year, incidentally, Dr. Soyka had been briefly incarcerated on trumped-up charges, perhaps only to keep him away from demonstrations then being planned at the North-German town of Gorleben. A permanent atomic waste depository has been proposed there, much to the anger of local farmers who are in the habit of pouring concrete into the test holes which the government is having drilled in the area.

Since 1976 a moratorium to halt all new reactor construction has been in effect in West Germany. Three weeks ago, the ruling Social Democrat government decided - by a very slim margin - to lift the three-year-old moratorium. This decision caused a veritable storm of indignation on the part of the "Greens", a powerful group of anti-nuclearists and environmentalists.

These people are completely fed up with ALL political parties, from the left to the right, and they are planning to nominate their own candidates in next year's German federal elections. The Greens believe that planet Earth belongs to all of us, and not to the politicians, bureaucrats and other power groups alone; and that we as humans have the mandate to demand, and to enforce adherence to certain rules of conduct on the part of every passenger aboard spaceship Earth!

Another contender for biggest baby record

Sir,

Last week you printed a photograph of the largest baby ever to be born at Lady Minto Hospital. Well... Jo Ann and Des Smith may or may not have the distinction of giving birth to the biggest baby at Lady Minto.

On March 16, 1979, I gave birth to a baby boy who, because of complications, was rushed to Victoria for treatment. Because of his condition it was not possible to weigh him until four days after birth, at which time he weighed 10 lbs., 8 oz. The pediatrician and the nurses looking after him said that because a baby's birth weight usually drops after birth, and also because he was ill, my son probably weighed more. They estimated his birth weight to be 11 lbs. (5 kilos) mentioning too that it could be a few ounces less or maybe even more. Thus his medical record shows 11 lbs. as his birth weight.

So I guess we'll never know who really was the biggest baby to be born at Lady Minto until a bigger one comes along!

VIRVE RUHNO
and
AARON (JURI) seven months old,
Ganges,
October 19, 1979.

Another West German anti-nuclear scientist, Dr. Roland Bohlinger, has been pointing out again and again that the nuclear program is no energy program at all, but a power program. In the question of military, economic and other uses of nuclear energy, all the important power groups have entered a devilish competition in which ideological and moral power are craved as much as military, economic and administrative dominion over all the inhabitants of this Earth.

This is the threat we have to fight against, for our biological well-being, and for our continual personal freedom!

W. BANGERT,
Box 510,
Ganges,
October 20, 1979.

Error noted

Sir,

Though I admire the new tourist information map by Adrian Rae-side, I should like to point out an error.

The road north of Fernwood Road is not Walker Hook, but North Beach Road.

GERTRUDE WATERFALL,
North Beach Rd.,
Ganges,
October 13, 1979

Celebrity up for adoption

Sir,

A two-year-old celebrity is being offered for adoption by people interested in her continued well-being. She would be a purrfect Hallowe'en gift - among the best that any building or barn could wish for. Her name is Panther - once and future queen of Mahon Hall - the wild and wonderful black cat of many callers there for two years.

Her origin or appearance is uncertain. My own acquaintance with her dates from the days when Mahon Hall housed 34 students in addition to the many community groups who shared this space and its feline custodian.

During that time Panther enjoyed the company of both young and old (but on her own terms, two pounces apart), raised a litter of kittens and was spayed by Dr. Andress with financial help from our SPCA and students (who also attended her operation). Since then she has been observed and fed regularly beneath the hall. She continues to be active, alert and seemingly in top shape.

All she asks from you is water, some dry food (provided as part of her dowry) and shelter beneath your house or in a barn during the slushy months. Whatever else happens proceeds from the natural grace of creatures who create purrussful relationships.

Panther, together with her plate and pussfood, will be delivered to you without charge. Please leave a message for Tom at 537-2123.

TOM PERRY
Ganges,
October 20, 1979.

Association expresses concern for otters' safety

Sir,

This past summer, we the tenants of Mouat's Mall, island residents and tourists have enjoyed the antics of a family of sea otters which have taken up residence on and under the government docks.

Recently, an individual who lives on the waterfront near this dock took it upon himself to chase these animals off the wharf with a stick and voiced the opinion that he would, if allowed by law, dispatch the entire family, as they were a threat to his dog!

Admittedly, none of us are naturalists or qualified in any way to comment on the likelihood of a mother otter and her kittens starting a vendetta against the canine population on this island. It would

seem to us, nonetheless, that the otter, as with most other animals barring man, is a peace-loving and gentle creature and is unlikely to do harm to anything or anyone who leaves it in peace.

We are concerned for the future safety of these animals and consider that, in the event they are indeed vicious calculating creatures lusting after the blood of our dog population, they should be dealt with by intelligent persons who have the qualifications and authority to act in the best interests of both animals and man.

CONCERNED MEMBERS OF
MOUAT'S TENANTS ASSOCIATION,
Ganges,
October, 1979.

Safety conditions still in need of improvement

Accomplishments of the safety committee of the Salt Spring Island School Advisory Committee were outlined by spokesman Gwen Albhouse this week.

The group was formed in January and since then some of its recommendations for improving conditions around the schools have been implemented, reports Mrs. Albhouse.

School zone signs, limiting speeds to 30 kph, have been posted on Lower Ganges Road and at the school end of Rainbow Road. The hedge at the corner of Rainbow and Lower Ganges has been clipped back to improve visibility.

School zone signs, safety fences and "no parking" signs have been placed on Kanaka Road as well, in order to protect students crossing from one playing field to the other.

"Much time and correspondence went into obtaining even these basic safety conditions," the spokesman said.

"Other items on the original

brief (presented to the school board) included better crosswalk conditions, some sidewalk widening in unsafe main road areas and the restriction of parking across the exit gate opposite Jackson Ave.," she continued.

Those matters are still being pursued, said Mrs. Albhouse, but are being held back by the delay in implementing the Ganges Plan and the sewer project.

Mrs. Albhouse concluded by observing that the safety committee had addressed the school board last January, requesting that a board member be appointed to work with the committee and with the Advisory Committee as well.

The committee, *Driftwood* was told, is still hoping that this will be done.

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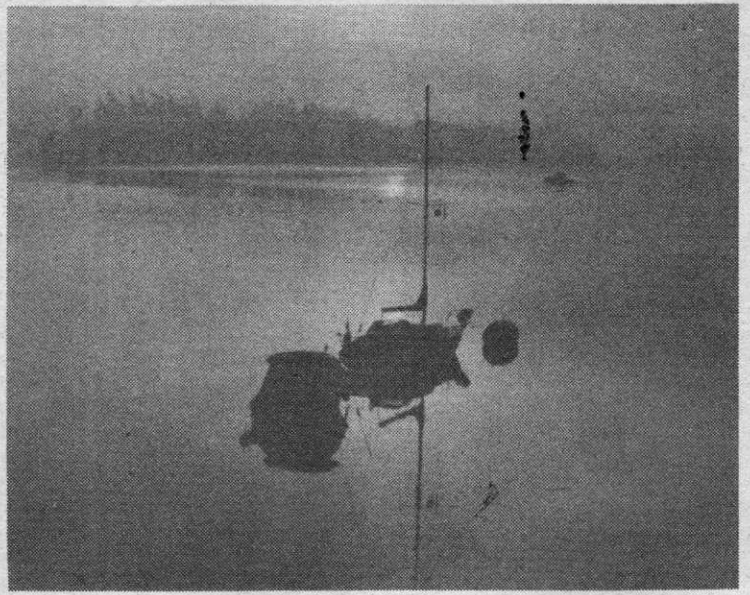
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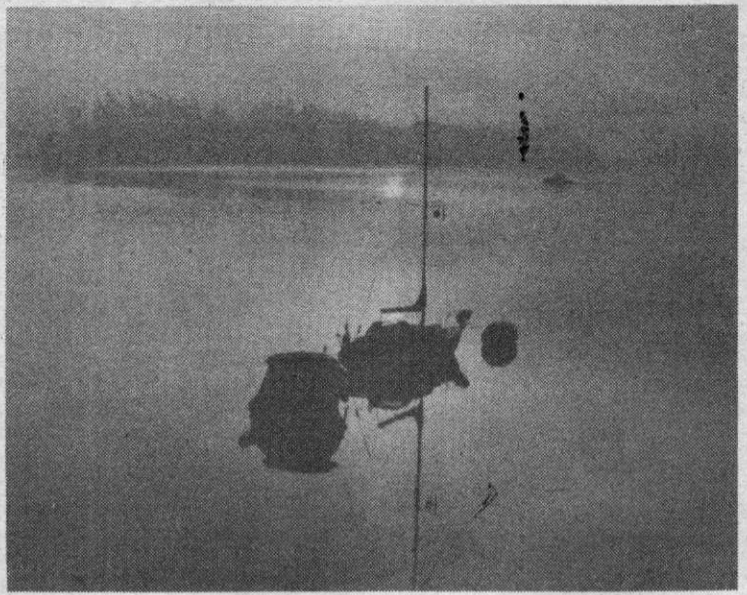
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What's happening at Salt Spring Elementary School?

BY IAN JUKES

In this Year of the Child, a small event undoubtedly repeated many thousands of times across Canada and around the world has brought home to the staff and students of the school the plight of others much less fortunate than ourselves. This, of course, is the arrival of Huy and Song Ham from Vietnam.

Although neither boy can speak or understand English, the international language of children has quickly overcome many of the problems, and Huy and Song are already settled comfortably into the school. Welcome from all of us here!

This week has been a very busy one for all of us here at the school as many "special" events have taken place.

Of primary interest to all students and parents were parent-teacher interviews, during which the progress of the children was discussed.

BENEFICIAL

Despite some undoubtedly anxious moments for a few the result was extremely beneficial to all concerned. I personally found the opportunity to compare notes of great value.

In this regard, following a great deal of discussion, a new student promotional policy has been developed by a staff committee. In essence, this policy stresses student effort as being a prime factor in determining grade assignment at year's end. Copies of the new policy will be sent home shortly in the new parent booklet.

Otherwise, the developmental films *Boy to Man* and *Girl to Woman* were shown last week to all grades five, six, and seven students. Basically these films dealt with the many problems and changes that come with growing up.

On Monday an important meeting took place in the library as the School Advisory Committee held its annual general meeting for the election of officers.

RETURNED

Ralph Miller, the incumbent, was returned for another term as president. The rest of the executive includes Hilary Cronin as secretary, student Danny Caldwell as treasurer, and student Suzanne Cottrell as grade seven representative.

The parents' committee includes Tom Watson (administration rep), Tim Stafford (staff), Gwen Albhouse (safety), Vera Larson, Jill Cobanli, Barbara Smith and Lynn Matthews. News from the committee will be forthcoming.

In the week to come many new events are planned. The house teams have begun a new season with indoor (and outdoor, weather permitting) soccer. Student participation remains exceptionally high.

Next Monday, our mass participation event, the "Great Pumpkin Run", is planned. Children have to estimate the time it will take to run a particular route. Winners are those students most accurately predicting their times (as opposed to most quickly running the route). More on this next week.

TOURNAMENT

Also on Monday we will be holding our second annual Invitational Grasshockey Tournament. Teams from Fernwood, Crofton and Salt Spring will be competing.

Finally, Friday in the gymnasium we will be holding a

Book Barter, where students will be able to trade books they have read. The idea behind this event is to make available to the students at a reasonable cost (nothing), new reading material.

Afterthoughts: bon voyage to the members of the family group, who are off with their teachers and

10 parents to Strathcona Lodge near Campbell River for a week of outdoor education... and compliments to those responsible

for organizing the concert last week with the Andean singers. From all reports, an excellent presentation.

Canoe found

Jim Hay of Cusheon Lake reported to police that he found an 18-foot canoe across the road from his residence.

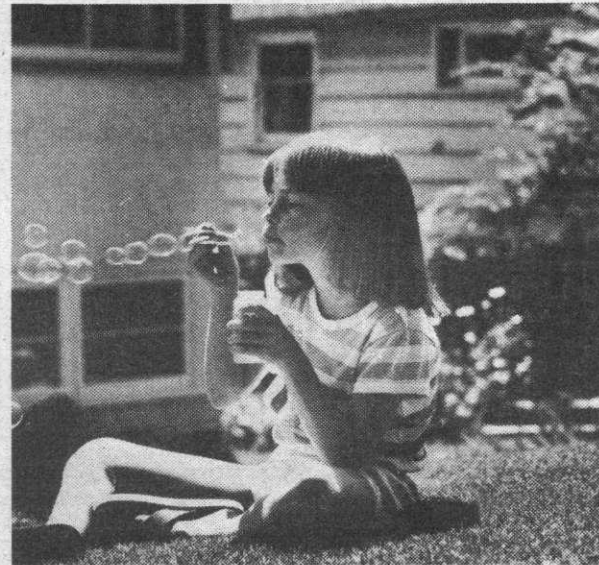
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If you have not received any previous benefit, and are unable to qualify for either of the above **FIRST HOME** grants, remember the **NEW HOME BUILDING GRANT** of \$1,000 is still available until December 31, 1979. To qualify for this grant, you don't need to be buying your **FIRST** home, but it does have to be a **NEW** home.

For further information and application forms for any of these grants, please contact Ministry offices.



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Island children invited to take part in special project

Children of all ages on Salt Spring Island are being asked to participate in a project designed to allow them to describe their lives to people all over Canada and the world.

Reid and Tim Collins, brothers administering a grant from the Canadian Commission for the International Year of the Child, plan to help a committee of children, varying in age from pre-school to late teens, produce a

slide and sound presentation studying the lives of six children residing on the island. The children's expression of their own perceptions, thoughts and feelings will be stressed.

Those children wishing to be one of the six studied in the presentation should apply or have a parent apply to I.Y.C., Community Centre, Ganges.

Besides the slide and sound presentation, art shows, a child-

ren's magazine, a data-gathering questionnaire and a newspaper supplement will be some of the ways in which the children will study and express themselves.

Children wishing to help with the organization and administration of all aspects of the grant are invited to attend a meeting at the Community Centre in Ganges on Monday, October 29 at 7 pm. The meeting will be over by 8 pm, say the organizers, and interested adults are also invited.

The results of the project will be shown to the community and then sent to the Canadian Commission for the International Year of the Child.

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This week at Fernwood School

More action on the playground this week as finishing touches were added to the area behind the school. The bulldozer also cleared the remaining rocks and brush from the fence line and the trees in that area were limbed to give a more attractive appearance.

The area now looks very tidy and once the grass reappears there, it will make a very attractive spot. Mr. Marsh is hoping to place a few picnic tables in that area under the trees by the summer term - make you wish you were back in school?

I hear the wives of the superintendents who visited the school last Thursday were very impressed by the school and its occupants. They had some nice things to say about the student body and the teaching staff - must have caught us on a good day! Many thanks to Mrs. Wright who did most of the entertaining as our visitors observed her French classes.

Needless to say, they were very impressed, especially with the work being done with our kindergarten class in French but then we are all very proud of our youngest members and they never fail to leave a good impression on anyone.

GYMNASTICS

Mr. Marsh has rearranged the gymnastics class and now has Mrs. Roy teaching the kindergarten class during class time. In this way all the kindergarten students can be introduced to gymnastics and it means that kindergarten students and parents do not have to make a special trip back to school at 3.15 pm. Sounds like a good idea.

As the rainy days approach action is under way to offer students some lunch hour activities. Of course the house leagues continue during the lunch hour but other clubs include the Stamp Club, sponsored by parent Mrs. Rikwerda; an Art Club run by Ron George, the art aide; a rainy day Chess Club organized by Mr. Wright; and a creative dance program for primary children which will be developed by Mrs. Wright. Most teachers also have a supply of games in their rooms for rainy days and there seems lots to do when we can't go outside.

WALK-WAYS

Hopefully a blacktopped area and walk-ways to student entrances will materialize in the not-too-distant future. With these developed and grass seeded to them the "dirt" problem will disappear.

Right now we can't help but track some dirt into the school no

matter how hard we try to wipe our feet. The sandy soil gets into the cleats of running shoes then when we are inside the heat dries out the dirt and the sand drops on to the floor. Mr. Marsh will shortly suggest a method to the parents that might help in keeping our new school in its present sparkling state.

If you are in the school take a look at the primary tackboard areas. Mrs. Smith's and Mrs. Severn's classes have been busy with Halloween art and witches and pumpkins are everywhere!

The one outside the grade two and three room is particularly effective because of its three-dimensional effect. Other art projects to notice include the display in the main entrance which are grade five and six posters showing the 12 basic rights of the child. We are all for displaying the rights of the child: parents please take note.

Though one grouchy principal, who shall remain nameless; was heard to remark, "Hope next year is the Year of the Parent!" Some chance.

A reminder to all parents: interview day is Friday. No school for kids that day. Yeah!

More news next week from our friendly Fernwood school reporter.

P.S. Organizational meeting for the Fernwood Parents Association will be at 7 pm, Wednesday, Oct. 24 in the library.

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BY BRIAN SOBER
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fuel gauge in your car - how would you know when your tank was empty? So Ross made his own gauge two years ago and it's been working faithfully for him ever since. Minute by minute, day by day, the gauge's counter tells him the static level of the water in his six-inch drilled well and the well's rate of discovery.

Legion makes plans for Remembrance Day

BY LEGIONNAIRE
A regular meeting of Branch 84, Royal Canadian Legion, was held on Monday, October 15, at Mayne Island.

As Remembrance Day is less than a month away, the meeting was concerned with arrangements for that day and the annual poppy campaign. The sale of poppies will take place in the week preceding the 11th of November.

We ask you to buy a poppy and wear it proudly in memory of those who laid down their lives for you in the two greatest conflicts in our history. Each of our three islands will make its own arrangements for the sale of this little red flower.

The money you donate is kept by each Legion branch in a separate trust fund. After the cost of the poppies has been met, it can only be used for the benefit of veterans in distress where other funds are not available, or not immediately available. It cannot be used for any branch purpose.

PARADE

We shall also be holding our annual church parade on that day, to which the general public is invited.

Here is the schedule: 10.45 am, parade at the island's war memorial, the Lych Gate at St. Mary Magdeline's Church, Mayne Island; 11. am, laying of the wreath and silence period; 11.30, church parade, St. Mary Magdeline's Church, with the Rev. J. Dyer as padre; 12.45, annual get-together, Agricultural Hall.

The next regular meeting, and the annual general meeting, will be held at the Agricultural Hall, Mayne Island, on Monday, December 10 at 7 pm.

We look forward to a good attendance that evening, as the branch officers for 1980 will be elected. It is expected that the new flagstaff at the memorial will be in position for the ceremony. The old staff has died of wounds inflicted by the weather and through age.

Auction

Auction at Ganges Sunday raised over \$100 for Greenpeace and Unicef.

The auction took place at Mahon Hall and about 50 people turned up for it. Proceeds will be divided evenly for donation to the two groups.

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Salt Spring Island Parks & Recreation Commission NOTICE

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Details of time and place will be advertised.

Nominations for membership on the Commission are invited from the citizens of Salt Spring Island. Please telephone Dave Hoskin at 537-9661 or Bev Unger at 653-4385.

Local groups who require grants should submit their requests to the Salt Spring Island Parks & Recreation Commission, P.O. Box 197, Ganges by November 12, 1979.

Requests for grants should include an explanation of the proposed use of the grant, together with an accounting of the expenditure of last year's grant, if applicable.

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The gauge is not a complicated device and could be installed by just about anybody, Ross says. All the parts might be purchased for around \$5, he added, the main part being an odometer.

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Injustices in division of labour show that changes are needed

BY MARY C. WILLIAMSON

Ten Days For World Development is a development education program sponsored by five national Canadian Christian churches (Anglican, Lutheran, Roman Catholic, United and Presbyterian) which is aimed at church supporters and the general public. The program's assumptions and motives are Christian, its concerns being shaped by a biblical, social justice tradition which favours the poor, the oppressed and the powerless of society.

Many groups raise domestic social justice concerns: Ten Days deliberately focuses upon the needs and hopes of that vast majority of humanity living in Asia, Africa and Latin America. To sharpen this international focus, the program considers Canadian parallels to Third World conditions and Canadian linkages with Third World causes. Ten Days works towards changes in Canadian public opinion and public policy in support of the poor.

TO BRING ABOUT CHANGE

Development education sponsored by Ten Days enables Canadians at the local level to identify global, social, economic and political issues, to see them within the context of their own lives and to acquire skills through action to bring about change for more creative human development.

Development issues have to do with the right of people to the freedom, justice, opportunity, health and fulfillment for which they were created.

In 1976, at the time of the Special U.N. General Assembly, Ten Days dealt with the New International Economic Order (NIEO) with Dr. Marion Gallis and Canon Subir Biswas as resource persons. It was determined to stay with this theme because of its continuing and basic importance, but to deal with it initially through the immediate impact of the food issue. For the past three years we have concentrated on food. The first year we devoted to a global analysis, the second to the role of agribusiness and the third to food as a human right and the powerful forces which block this right.

EXPLODED MYTHS

You may remember that, among other things, we explored some myths about food, discovering that we could feed the entire world population, now and in the foreseeable future, were we not hampered by present methods of production and distribution.

Now Ten Days moves on to the work issue, *Making a Living*.

This issue will also be treated as a means of understanding and supporting the NIEO. The distortions and injustices of the current world division of labour are further illustrations of why fundamental structural changes are needed in the relation between First and Third Worlds.

More Food for Thought

All considerations of the work issue by Christian churches should have a biblical and theological sense of men and women as co-creators with God, no matter what their work. It's not so much a matter of work being dignified as it is a matter of people in the image of God being dignified and their work reflecting this dignity as co-creators with God.

There is a direct connection between the work issue and several objectives of the NIEO; for example, natural products being made more competitive with synthetics, and access to technology suitable to developing country's needs.

A VITAL ISSUE

The title *Making a Living* places the emphasis where it belongs, on work as a vital world development issue. The choice of title places an intentional limitation upon our treatment of the work issue. (It is not possible in one program to enter into lengthy enquiry into all the areas which the word "work"

can bring to mind: play, leisure, creativity, drudgery, use of talent).

If food is a basic human right because life cannot be sustained without it, then work in the sense of making a living in order to be able to eat is obviously a closely related right.

This Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 26 to 28, the regional committees of the B.C. Ten Days Program will be meeting at the YaWaCa Camp on Beaver Point Road to discuss arrangements for Ten Days 1980, which will take place between February 1 and 11.

Those who believe in the power of prayer should pray for us at this very important time of planning, and the rest of you could send us "good vibes".

Keeping track is full-time job — MLA

Keeping track of the government's "dirty tricks" is a full-time job, according to MLA Rosemary Brown (NDP - Burnaby-Edmonds).

Brown was guest speaker at the Gulf Islands NDP Club's monthly meeting last week.

She presented to the meeting a diary of events and a collection of newspaper clippings covering the past few weeks.

She also gave an account of needs in the fields of hospital care, child welfare, day-care aid and help for the needy.

She contrasted those needs with Finance Minister Evan Wolfe's budget surplus and Human Resources Minister Grace McCarthy "Year of the Child" program, scrolls and "TV shots of children receiving ice cream cones".

A large part of the question period which followed Brown's address dealt with environmental and alternative energy issues.

Two meetings at Mayne

Two meetings are coming up at Mayne Island during the next week.

On Friday the B.C. Ferry Corporation is holding a public meeting to discuss its new dock proposal for Village Bay. The corporation has plans to enlarge its facilities there in order to permit larger ferries to use the dock.

The meeting will take place at the Agricultural Hall, Friday at 7 pm.

The second meeting will deal with the proposal to construct an airstrip on the island.

The B.C. Agricultural Land Commission has called the meeting which will look into the application by Mayne Field Incorporated for

conditional use of land within the agricultural land reserve. Mayne Field wishes to construct the landing strip near Village Bay.

Meeting will take place at Mayne Elementary School, Monday at 7.30 pm.

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Sluegrass playing this weekend

A four-piece acoustic band will play at the Harbour House pub this weekend.

Sluegrass will be playing Friday and Saturday night at the Ganges

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The band uses neither drums nor bass.

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Marianne Grittani

She played requests over 'mouse'

BY BRIAN SOBER

Professionalism and personality are the words that best describe Marianne Grittani's performance last weekend at the Inn at Vesuvius.

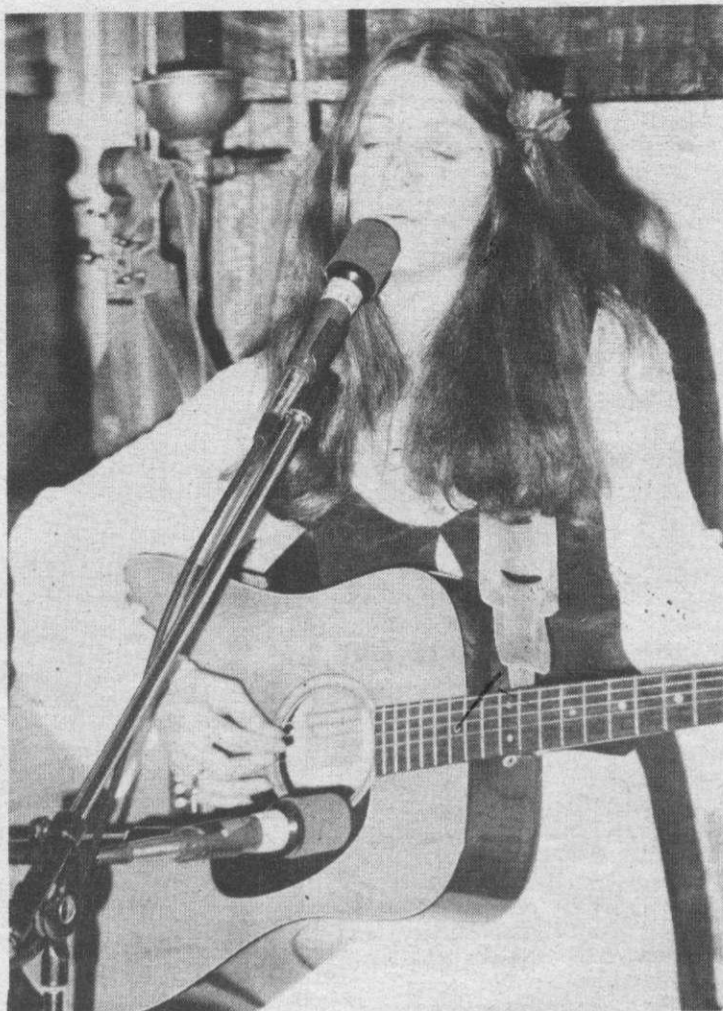
Unlike many other folk musicians, Marianne provides a varied and interesting guitar accompaniment to her repertoire of contemporary folk, rock and country tunes. Vocally, she can generate any level of power, from a low-volt James Taylor song to the loud rock she once sang with the Salt Spring Island band Bluebird.

Marianne first started performing publicly six years ago. She began taking more than a casual interest in music, she said, while running coffee houses in London, Ontario and Toronto. There she listened to and was inspired by performers such as Bruce Cockburn and Valdy. Marianne also writes many original songs and says she loves the music of Joni Mitchell, Paul Simon and James Taylor.

TOUR

Marianne, who has lived on Salt Spring Island for the past four years, recently did a tour of Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands with Valdy and Rick Van Kruger. She has also taped a program with Valdy which was aired on the CBC program *Touch The Earth*.

Her plans for the near future include the production of a cassette tape of original music and songs. Original music, which is a specialty of Marianne's, is usually a reflection of the composer's experiences. One of her interesting tales involves a performance she gave to a fishing fleet which was anchored in



MARIANNE GRITTANI

a harbour one night during a storm. She said the skipper of the boat she was working on held the button down on the "mickey mouse" radio set while she sang the requests phoned in from the

other boats.

The forthcoming tape, which could possibly find its title somewhere in the above-mentioned tale, will be available, when it is ready, at retail outlets in Ganges.

Bicycle found

An anonymous telephone call on October 22 led RCMP to the back of the old drycleaners, where they found a badly damaged three-speed bicycle.

RCMP say the owner can claim it at the police station.

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Basic set ready

Stage is almost set for play

The stage is set, or the basic set, that is, for next week's production of *The Hollow* by Salt Spring Players.

The walls, two doors, triple windows on to the terrace, the breakfast nook (in temporary use as a sculptress' studio), the fireplace and the odd piece of furniture are there all right, but the final placing and finishing probably will not (read cannot) be done until some few minutes before opening curtain.

The set designer (Art Lucs), you see, wants a number of different levels and he wants the appearance of a high ceiling. Fortunately, these two requirements complement each other. What you do is you set your risers where you want them, erect the four by eight-foot flats (read windows, doors or walls) on the risers, then cover the

now jut out and down from the ceiling. Light intensity can be varied from the backstage control panel. John Lomas and Barney Baines have also replaced the single light bar directly over the stage with two six-light bars, each light being separately controllable.

HORNS AND THUNDER

Sound effects, which in this case means automobile horns, thunder, pistol shots and a telephone conversation wherein both parties must be heard, is being handled by Marilyn Taylor.

Pat Desbottes is doing makeup; David Fitchew is doing wardrobe; Albert Perrin is painting the picture of "Ainswick" and Margaret

Toulmin is sculpting Henrietta's objet d'art. And this is all happening under the direction of Reg Taylor who will show up in the program as stage manager.

And speaking of the program, that's in the works, too. It will run to eight pages plus the cover and will include vignettes of each of the 12 cast members plus the director.

Posters have been printed and are going up, tickets are being printed and will be available from Dawn, the sandwich boards are finished and everything is aimed at a week from Friday at 8 pm in Mahon Hall.

The cast? Oh, they're practicing their lines and running around the apron.



Theatre happenings

by Salt Spring Players

irregular tops of the flats with heavy cardboard tapering away from the audience and presto! four different floor levels, a 10 to 12-foot ceiling, and a room with depth. Don't forget the masking tape (for the cracks) and the paint!

NEVER UNSOLVABLE

Furniture, furnishings and props, both stage and hand, always present a problem but never an unsolvable one. Luckily, Mary Williamson knows what is required from the beginning so she can start scrounging from day one. Authentic antiques and family heirlooms are to be avoided if at all possible. Losing or breaking someone's grandmother's cup and saucer is not only uncomfortable, it's downright embarrassing.

Stage lighting is only noticed when it's bad, inadequate or interferes with the audience. Some major changes will therefore be noticed. The big black light bar is gone and we hope it will soon be forgotten.

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Invitation

to cross 'salt curtain'

A Victoria musician who has made a number of appearances on Salt Spring Island is hoping to lure islands music fans across "the old salt curtain".

Bill Sample of the Sample-Stearns Band reports that the "all-new, vitamin-enriched" edition of the band is playing this week at Harpo's Cabaret in Victoria. They began their week-long stint on Monday.

"We were finding it kind of self-defeating, trying to pull off some of our more subtle music in clubs and bars," he said. "This new material is a blatant but friendly attempt to score points on a rock 'n roll level."

The Harpo's engagement marks lead singer April Fulladosa's return after a throat operation which sidelined both her and the band for several months.

Music delights audience

BY BRIAN SOBER

The music of South America, performed by Sukay, was presented to students of all ages last Wednesday afternoon in the secondary school gym at Ganges.

The band played the traditional music of Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, northern Chile and Argentina. Sukay, which is an ancient Incan word, means "to open up the earth and prepare for planting". Through their work, the members of Sukay have opened the ears of many North Americans to the rich Andean culture.

Their instruments included the *quena* (a notched flute), *sikus*, *zamponas* and *rondadors* (varieties of pan-pipe), and *charango* (a mandolin made out of an armadillo shell).

Members of the band are Edmond Badoux from Switzerland and his wife Quentin from New York. They are joined by Bolivians Javier Canelas and Gonzalo Vargas.

Their colourful and rhythmic music delighted the audience, particularly the young children. After playing a selection of music the members of the group answered questions from the audience.

The group played that evening at Beaver Point Hall. According to one report, 200 people turned up for the concert.

Series off to rousing start

Contributed

The winter concert series at St. George's got off to a rousing start last Sunday when a talented young Canadian, Bryan Townsend, gave an enthusiastic audience a display of versatility and musicianship.

This very able and personable performer, who also teaches classical guitar at the University of Victoria and the Victory Conservatory of Music, opened his program with *Introduction and Variations on a Mozart Theme* by Fernando Sor, followed by two Scarlatti sonatas and a *Lute Suite* by Bach.

Having demonstrated his command of early guitar music, Bryan then surprised and delighted us with a contemporary work by Edward McQuire. We heard many sounds and harmonic phrases not normally associated with the guitar.

The final work, by Mauro Giuliani, another 19th century composer, gave a bright and florid finish to an altogether delightful and satisfying concert.

Following are the dates on which the St. George's winter series concerts will take place.

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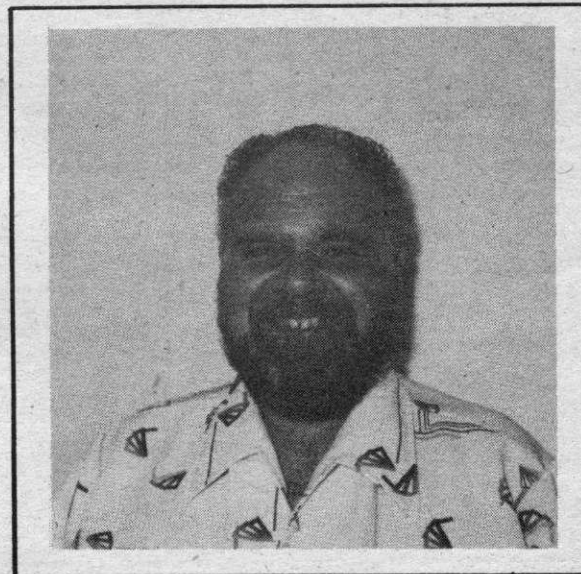
B.C. Ferries will chair a Public Meeting at the Mayne Island Agricultural Hall on Friday, October 26, 1979 at 7.00 p.m.

This is an informational meeting to outline a proposal for a second dock at Village Bay. Representatives of the Islands Trust will also be in attendance.

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Provincial court**Officers' opinions cannot be held in doubt, says McAdam**

Keith W. Stibbards was fined a total of \$700 in provincial court last Wednesday by Judge D.K. McAdam, who handed down guilty verdicts on charges of impaired driving and refusing to blow.

Stibbards, who pleaded not guilty to both charges, was represented by defense attorney Griffin Lane and prosecutor Wayne Smith acted for the Crown.

Evidence presented by the Crown stated that on the night of February 17, 1979, an RCMP officer had been called to Beaver Point Hall to investigate a disturbance. While there, he noticed a four-wheel-drive vehicle pull up and park in such a manner as to impede the flow of traffic in the general area.

The officer stated that he approached the vehicle and noticed that the accused was sitting in the front seat holding an open

bottle of liquor, which was three-quarters full.

NEARLY FELL OUT

The court was told the officer then opened the door of the vehicle, at which point the accused nearly fell out and had to be assisted to his feet and into the patrol car.

Defense attorney Lane argued that the content of the bottle was never checked and although the police testified that the label on the bottle was a "rye" label, it actually could have contained Coke.

Further evidence from the Crown indicated that Stibbards was unsteady on his feet, his speech was slurred and there was a strong smell of alcohol on his breath.

Lane argued that these were insufficient grounds for a breathalyzer demand. He said sobriety tests, such as walking a straight line, were not conducted and only the results of tests such as

these could provide grounds for a breathalyzer demand.

20 YEAR'S EXPERIENCE

Crown prosecutor Smith retaliated with evidence that the arresting officer and the officer who assisted with Stibbards at the RCMP station had a total of almost 20 years' experience handling impaired driving cases and were both breathalyzer technicians.

He argued that the honest opinion of the two experienced men provided the required grounds for a breathalyzer demand.

Further evidence read to the court stated that Stibbards was allowed to walk from the police car into the police station unassisted and was noticed to be unsteady on his feet.

The police reported that the accused was offered a telephone to call a lawyer but refused it and when he was told to give a sample of his breath he replied, "I will not give a sample of my breath now."
HAD CO-OPERATED

In his address to the court, Lane said the fact that Stibbards co-operated with the police up to the point of providing a sample of his breath indicated that the accused was not impaired.

Lane argued that a breathalyzer demand was not justified because the accused showed no "marked departure from the norm", and the police failed to test his coordination.

Judge McAdam said his decision to find the accused guilty of both charges was based on his belief that the police officers were experienced men whose honest opinions could not be held in doubt by reasonable men.

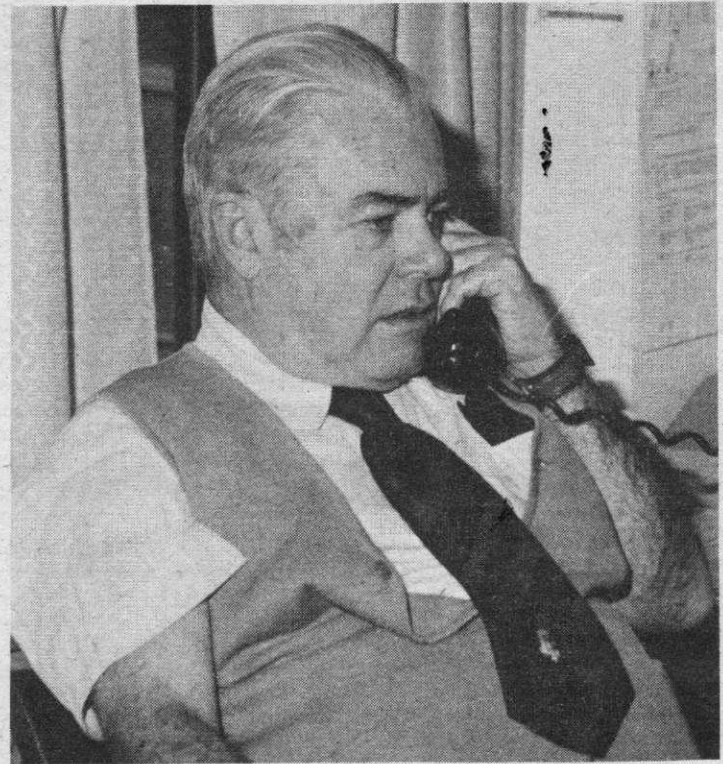
Lane asked the court to apply only the minimum fine in Stibbards case because he had no previous record.

Stibbards was fined \$300 on the impaired driving charge, and \$400 for refusing to blow.

To celebrate anniversary

A quiet family dinner will be held October 24 at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Thomas F. Wright to celebrate their 52nd wedding anniversary.

Rev. and Mrs. Wright will also celebrate the birth of their first great-grandson who was born October 19 at Sandon, B.C., to Hal and Irene Wright.

Retiring postmaster**IVOR CAWKER****He is retiring after 35 years of service**

The Ganges Post Office will lose one of its familiar faces this week as Postmaster Ivor Cawker retires on Friday.

Cawker has been with postal service for 35 years and has spent the last 15 years serving as postmaster at Ganges. He came to Salt Spring from Vancouver where he had worked as a relief supervisor.

He said he has seen a good many changes in the post office here since he came. Where there were 250 boxes here when arrived in 1964 there are now 1200, he said. He has also seen a change from the old post office beside Mouat's Store where there were four employees, to the present building where nine people now work.

Cawker said he plans on taking a holiday for a while and then doing some work to his house when he gets back. He said he plans on staying on the island and looking for a part-time job. He added that his job at the post office here has been a "great and pleasant association" where he has met a lot of good people.

"I couldn't think of a better place than Salt Spring Island to live and work," he said.

Cawker's last day of work is Friday though he is not officially finished until the end of the month. He said he has no idea who the next postmaster will be. People from all over the country have been applying for the job, he said.

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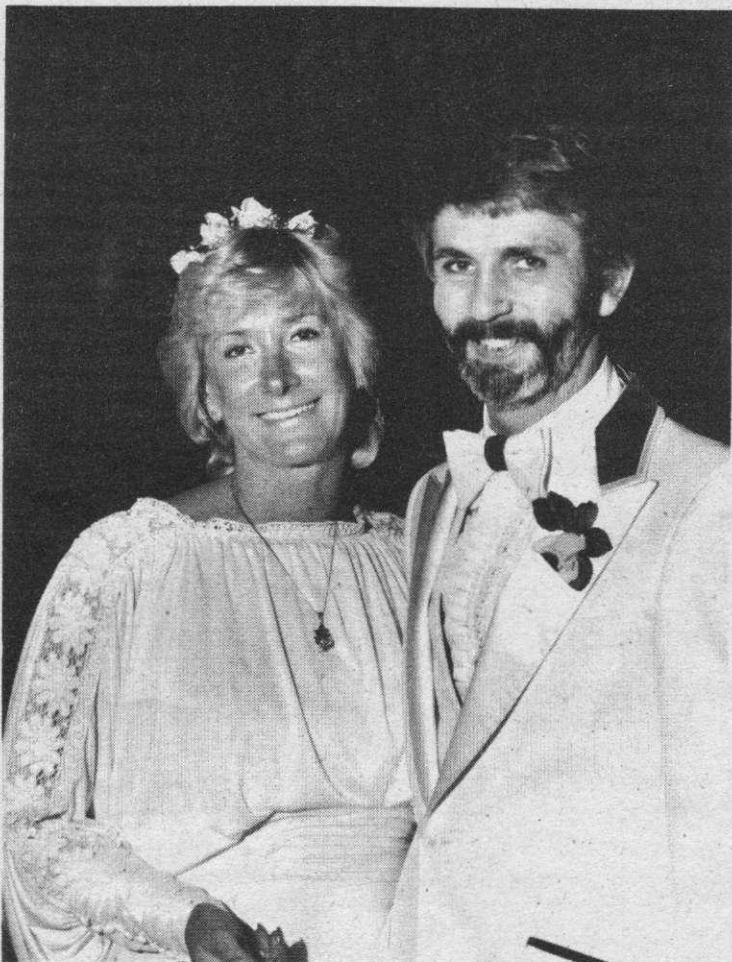
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Fulford Hall reception follows wedding of Kathleen, Bob Dugas



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October 20 was the date chosen for the wedding day for Bob and Kathleen Dugas. Ganges United Church was the scene of the wedding, with Dr. V. McEachern

officiating at the double ring ceremony.

The bride was radiant in a floor-length, New York-designed gown. She carried an arrangement of white roses and baby's breath. Her only jewellery was a diamond pendant given to her by the groom.

Her attendants were Arma Marsh of White Rock, B.C., and Sally Pugh of Mayne Island. The groom was attended by his two brothers, Dan and Gerry Dugas of Edmonton and Surrey, respectively.

The bride's attendants chose deep brown, Grecian style floor-length gowns and carried loose arrangements of orange and gold mums accompanied by baby's breath. The groom and groom's men wore winter white and deep brown tuxedos.

The Ganges United Church was full of fall flowers and candlelight.

Soloist Marion Slingsby sang accompanied by Mrs. McEachern during the signing of the register. Immediately following the wedding

Cedric Barker chose the waterfront home of the bride and groom for their wedding pictures.

A gala reception for the popular couple was held in the Fulford Hall for intimate friends and relatives. The hall was tastefully decorated with fall colours. Their four-tier wedding cake was professionally decorated by Wilf Alaric of Oliver, B.C. The master of ceremonies was Dave Adelberg of West Vancouver. Toast to the bride was given by Roy Lamont of the Cranberry.

Menu of fresh, stuffed salmon and baron of beef was capably prepared by Kit Moulton and friends.

A Victoria-based band, The Crossroads, entertained with a wide variety of music, ensuring a memorable evening for everyone.

Out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mrs. F. Stanhope, Dave and Bev Adelberg, Mr. and Mrs. W. Alaric, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Alaric, Wilf Alaric and Kathy Jamieson.

Orphan in storm needs restriction

"You may be an orphan in the storm," Judge D. K. McAdam remarked to 17-year-old Michael Lawson in provincial court Wednesday, "but there still must be some restriction put on your behavior."

That was McAdam's response to Lawson's explanation of why he took, without the owner's permission, a boat moored at the Centennial wharf in Ganges on September 1, and why he later ran it aground on a reef in Ganges Harbour.

Lawson, who pleaded guilty to the offense, said the person who accompanied him on the joy-ride had procured the keys and was the one who drove the boat away from the dock. Lawson said he had drunk eight beer before going down to the wharf, but didn't take any on the boat.

He told the judge he was engaged to marry a 16-year-old girl from Nanaimo and that he was moving there from Ganges to take a grocery store job which he "hoped would start on Monday".

Judge McAdam fined Lawson \$150 and ordered one year's probation, during which time he must abstain from alcohol.

Parents invited to join nine-session course

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S.T.E.P. (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting) will again be the basis for parent groups this winter. This program has been popular in the past, and is being offered now to parents of children from infancy to 10 years. Parents of older children are encouraged to register their interest too, and if enough want the program, it will be organized.

The group will meet for nine consecutive sessions. Parents will be provided with handbooks containing complete information to enable them to prepare for each evening, and as a valuable ongoing reference. Meetings will include discussion of individual experiences, questions about the material and listening to tapes that reinforce the material contained in the books.

Group leader will be Nick Gilbert, community-school social worker. The course first establishes the goals of misbehaviour, then examines the parent's role in the process and how to encourage appropriate behaviour by developing listening skills, exploring alter-

natives and developing responsibility in the child.

The final meetings explore other ways that parents can function effectively and happily. The program is designed to help us, as parents, adapt to today's democratic atmosphere in a society undergoing rapid social change.

The times and dates for this course will be geared to the wishes of the group. An evening meeting is most likely, although day-time meetings are possible.

Sessions would begin in early November and finish about the end of January after a Christmas break. Fathers will enjoy these groups, too!

Proceeds to library

Sales of "Salt Spring Water" this year have netted \$111.78 for the island's library building fund, reports Bevis Walters.

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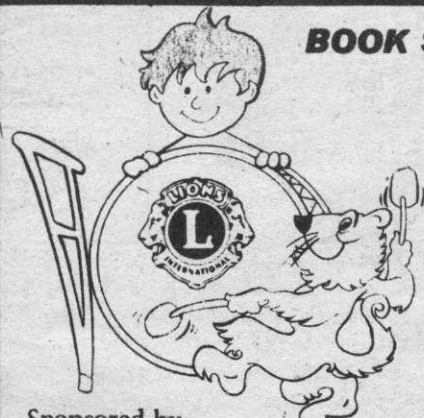
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