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Second delegation attends board meeting

Parents don't want school to become 'focus of dissension'

Preventing Pender School from becoming "a focus of dissension" was one of the reasons a delegation of parents met with the Gulf Islands School Board Thursday.

On January 10, before a meeting of school trustees, a first delegation of parents who represented 15 Pender School children, sought the board's help in achieving their goals.

Some of those goals, which were outlined in a brief, were for improvements in parent-teacher and student-teacher relationships. The group reportedly worked on the brief every week for two months.

Last week a second delegation, who claimed to "control" 51 Pender Island children, told the board that they were satisfied with the educational environment in their school.

The group, represented by Ted Dever, presented a brief which contained the same goals worked out by the first delegation.

SATISFIED

Dever's brief stated they were satisfied that all reasonable steps were being taken to produce an educational environment that utilized psychologists and counsellors to assess and meet students' special needs, encouraged students to initiate and direct some of their activities, allowed a greater use of community resources in the classroom and gave parents more involvement in the school's curriculum.

Because the first group of parents had suggested an alternate class as a possible answer to their concerns, trustee David Stacey asked Dever if he had observed

Salt Spring Island's alternate class. Dever replied that he hadn't. Stacey said he had just spent an

hour with the alternate class before coming to the meeting and had

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School ski club at Mt. Washington



Members of the Gulf Islands Secondary School ski team who went on a trip to Mount Washing-

ton near Courtenay on Vancouver Island. Left to right are Tracy Slocombe, Karen Hale, Linda Hoo-

ver, Greg Hankins, Dean LaFortune, Gred Nord-Leth and Scott Bergstrom.

Thirty-four Gulf Islands students, along with school staff members Scott Bergstrom, Hugh Spoor and Linda Hoover, enjoyed their first ski trip to Mt. Washington this past weekend.

For four of the students it was a rewarding trip. Chris Fairweather won a gold medal, while Kathy Ramsey, Shauneen Spence and Andy Fisher each took a bronze medal in the Molstar competitions

Sunday afternoon. For the first time the ski club is entering one or possibly two teams in the Comox-Courtenay Winter Carnival school competitions.

'Not a witch hunt'

Chamber to probe director's activities

A committee was struck by the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce last week to investigate the activities of Salt Spring Island's director on the Capital Regional Board, Yvette Valcourt.

The committee was formed after the meeting heard a motion introduced by Terry Elford "to investigate the activities and pronouncements" of the regional director and report back to the next directors' meeting.

Elford recalled that he had moved to Salt Spring Island because "it was a peaceful place to continue our life and livelihood".

Since then, he continued, "it appears that personalities and business interests have changed the face of our community."

To the people who live on the island, to those who visit and to those who read about it, he said, the community "was perhaps no

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Thieves take \$10,000 in silver

Over \$10,000 worth of sterling silver has been stolen from a Salt Spring Island home.

The Robinson Road home of Doug Thomas was entered by thieves, whose work was described by Ganges RCMP as "neatly done".

Sgt. Mitch Hanks said that no real value could be put on the stolen silver because many of the items were antiques and family heirlooms. The house was left orderly and undamaged and only the silver was taken, he said.

Another theft occurred at Galiano Island. The home of Margaret Hollingsworth was entered and a small, solid gold swimming medal and a gold-plated university medal were taken.

Both incidents occurred during the past eight days.

RCMP advise that any small, valuable objects should be kept in a safety deposit box.

Motion was not to block move

Regional director Yvette Valcourt has told *Driftwood* that her motion calling for a halt to building, occupancy and health permits in Ganges was not designed to block the Credit Union move from Valcourt Centre to McPhillips Avenue.

Valcourt said her motion was mailed to the regional board on December 13, before the Credit Union announced the plan to relocate.

Salt Spring wants out of Transit area says Valcourt

Salt Spring Island wishes to be excluded from the transit service area, regional director Yvette Valcourt told the regional board on Wednesday last week.

The Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce had conducted a survey through the local newspaper, she told her colleagues. They could see no benefit to being included in the area, when no buses would be available to them.

"Has Salt Spring Island the right to opt out?" asked Bob Wright, of Oak Bay.

The board recommended to the Urban Transit Authority that all areas in the Capital Region be included, recalled chairman Jim Campbell. That recommendation was made to the Cabinet and formalized in an order-in-council.

The island could be relieved of a share in the costs, but it could not be excluded from the transit func-

tion, he suggested.

Only a gas tax can be applied to the whole area of the Capital Region, he noted.

He didn't believe the island could get out of the transit service area unless the whole board agreed, said executive director Dennis Young.

PROMISED

Finance Minister Hugh Curtis, Saanich-Islands MLA, has promised islanders that they will not be required to meet transit costs against their wishes.

If the board agrees to relieve Salt Spring Island of the transit liability it is leaving the escape door open, warned the chairman.

If the board drops a component, then the next components to seek release would be North Saanich, Sooke and Metchosin, forecast Campbell.

Motion was tabled.

Tests show PCB level of 0.5 in chickens

Results of tests carried out on six chickens raised on Salt Spring Island have revealed that they contained 0.5 parts per million of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB).

In a letter to Tom Gossett of Foxglove Farm and Garden Supply, C. M. Seal, district veterinarian with Agriculture Canada, said that a composite sample of fat was taken from the six birds.

Seal said there wasn't enough fat in the individual samples to carry out tests on each of the birds.

Gossett told *Driftwood* this week that he was disappointed that the samples had been pooled together for testing.

"We're no better off than we were," he said.

Gossett explained that each of the birds had come from a different location on the island, and that the owners had kept records of the feed they had purchased for them. All the birds had been slaughtered shortly after the PCB contamination became known.

Seal said in his letter that he "understood" that the acceptable PCB level in the U.S. for broilers was three parts per million.

Tallow, an ingredient in feed sold in pellet form, was contaminated with the toxic chemical at a packing plant in Montana early last summer.

Some of the tallow was shipped to B.C. and used by feed manufacturers in the Fraser Valley.

Chamber probe

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longer a pleasant community in which to settle".

He said it was mainly due to "a schism" between the Ganges core and the upper village.

After referring briefly to the different factions that had come about because of the sewer debate, he stated, "We can't afford to stand aside while personal concerns hold back needed development."

"...It's about time the Chamber of Commerce took a look to see what's going on.

"Let's take charge of our own destiny instead of leaving it in the hands of a limited few. That's the intent of this motion," he concluded.

TO A VOTE

The motion went to a vote despite the suggestion that it should be taken to the executive and discussed further.

No one voted against the motion, though about three people abstained.

Elford said following the meeting that he wasn't "on a witch hunt".

He added that he felt there was enough controversy in Ganges to justify the Chamber's move.

The committee will concern itself with developments which have taken place since early December.

New signs to eliminate traffic problem



The scene on McPhillips Avenue last Friday was a disorderly one as cars and pedestrians waited for space to move. The problem has now been eliminated since the ministry of highways put parallel-parking-only signs up in front of the new block of stores.

Trustee impressed with Ganges alternate class

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been "terribly impressed".

SHOULD VISIT IT

"You should visit it first hand," Stacey said, "so you can collect data, experience and feelings about what has been suggested for your school."

"Is your delegation opposed to an alternate class?" asked another school board member. Dever refused to answer the question. He added that his group would only discuss it in camera.

"We are not looking for publicity," he said.

Dever told the board that his group also wished to meet with the trustees. It was decided that the board committee which was supposed to meet with the first delegation on January 18 would also meet with Dever and his group.

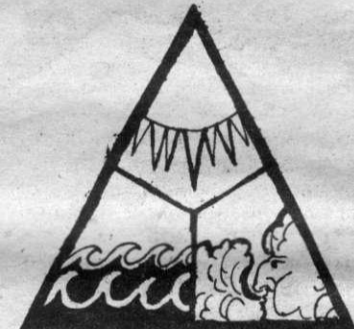
However, the meeting scheduled for the 18th did not materialize because, as Pender trustee John Zacharias reported, the board's committee could not decide if the meeting should be public or who should be the chairman.

WANTED CLARIFICATION

Zacharias said that he discussed the future meeting with the district's supervisor of instruction, Larry Holbrook, and that they decided to cancel the meeting and go back to the board for a clarification of the board's terms of reference.

Zacharias said that meetings have now been arranged with each of the opposing groups of parents. However, he refused to say when the meetings were to take place and added that he would not co-operate with *Driftwood* because of the editorial published in the January 16 issue.

That editorial voiced support for the first group of parents who want to become more involved with their school's curriculum and occasionally take part in classroom instruction.



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The Annual General Meeting of the Salt Spring Island Public Library Association (Mary Hawkins Memorial Library) will be held in the Parish Hall, St. George's Church, Ganges, B.C. on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1980 at 3 p.m. for the following purposes:

- To receive the report of the Chairman of the Library Board.
- To receive the report of the Secretary, Treasurer and others.
- To elect the requisite number of Board members for 1980 to fill vacancies on the Library Board.
- To transact such other business as may arise.

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Geo. Wells, Secretary.

Tea will be served.

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 by richards



The newly prepared Capital Region animal control bylaw refers to the destruction of dogs by means of a newly prepared word. The bylaw refers to the "euthanizing" of dogs to indicate their painless destruction. The Oxford English Dictionary says "euthanize". I wonder who is right.

That reminds me of getting rid of kittens. I had a horde of them when once we had a loose-living, blonde cat. There are a lot of Sidney cats like that. I think she went selling cat food for television ads eventually. I don't like killing animals myself, so I took them to the veterinarian in Sidney. He was alone and pressed me into service. I was required to hold the kittens while he plunged a long needle into their stomachs. Maybe those kittens didn't feel it, but I did.

Salt Spring Island reader has a fond memory of registered mail. He used it and sent a registered letter. But no reply was forthcoming. Finally, he decided to trace his registered letter. It was impossible, he was assured. A registered letter can only be traced if the recipient replies, saying he never received it. The reader was up to the bureaucratic system. "That's fine," he assured the postal officer, "I'll write you a letter and refrain from mailing it."

British plumbing was typical of construction there, jeered many a veteran who has served time overseas. The Brits put the plumbing on the outside wall because it never freezes. Then, when it freezes every winter, they pour boiling water down the wall to thaw the pipes out. Such free criticism of the fine old British plumbing procedures was galling to a young and idealistic foreign-born editor. Until now. In later years I have seen the error of my ways. I have relinquished my chair and I have a pump. In fact, I have two. They are situated in a pumphouse. The pumphouse is insulated, walls and ceiling. The door is insulated, but it won't quite close because of a bag of cement lying there. And the pipes come out of the pumphouse to a holding tank. Between the pumphouse and the tank, the pipes are naked and unashamed. Except twice. Two winters they froze. And we went thirsty. This British plumbing gets around, but who bothers about frost? It never freezes on the island!

Last week at the Capital Regional Board meeting in Victoria, chairman Jim Campbell told his board that he had read the reports of Salt Spring Island's desire to be excluded from the transit service area. He was not impressed with the newspaper's presentation of the facts, he commented. But, of course, we were not overly impressed with Jim's presentation of the opinions.

I wouldn't compete. Perhaps I couldn't compete, but I have a wonderful political limerick:

*There was once a voter named Lowe,
 Who promised to vote for a crow.
 You could see him up there
 As he flew through the air,
 Dropping his views on the voters below.*

Friend of a friend of mine is not so bright. He wears an eyeshade. His doctor put it to him that he shouldn't see, at any time, more than he can understand.

I also had a note in the mail from a former islander who knows my postal code: Very Old Scotch: One Extra Old. He lives in Sidney and his code is a V-8 Lincoln and Two Jaguars, Too.

I'm worried sick over this election. If I don't vote NDP, does that mean I'm just not a manly man? And there's Don Taylor announcing he is a voice in the west and here I thought the west was nearly 2,000 miles east of here!

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District Governor speaks

Colin Mouat is guest of his own club

When a member of the Salt Spring Island Lions Club appeared last week as a guest of the club, he was fulfilling his role.

Guest of honour was Colin Mouat, who is district governor of the southern island and northern edge of Washington region.

After dinner in St. George's Hall and before an entertainment program, Mouat spoke at some length on his experience as district leader of the international service club.

He has devoted a considerable part of his time to travelling about the world on behalf of the service club.

The strength of the club lies in its unity, he reminded members. Collectively they can make a far greater contribution to the community than they could hope to accomplish as individuals.

WORKING TOGETHER

This unity applies to the various Lions Clubs, he explained. A large number of service clubs work together for the same ends. They accomplish an impressive record of contributions to projects everywhere, he said.

The Lions Clubs are not warmly welcomed everywhere. The international club lost many district

governors when the Ayatollah in Iran ruled that there was a conflict between the Lions and the Islamic religion.

Those members who enjoy the use of all their faculties must serve others who are less fortunate, he reminded the audience of Lions and their wives. The same philosophy extends beyond national boundaries and the international service club extends help to nations and peoples in need.

IN CHAPAIS

He was particularly pleased that the island club had sent a contribution to the orphans of Chapais. Chapais is in Quebec, where the

Christmas party tragedy occurred. The president of the Chapais Lions

Club lost two of his children in the blaze, he added.

Colin Mouat and his wife, Ann, are no strangers to the east. They were in Montreal for the Lions convention.

The service club is people helping people, he concluded.

"There's not a finer thing in the world!"

Thanking the district governor, Fred Brookbanks described him as "a truly dedicated man."

The club presented Mrs. Mouat with a painting by Margaret Toulmin.

The Newmans presented a floor show after the formalities.

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RCMP have lost articles

Ganges RCMP are requesting the person who lost some articles off the back of a truck while travelling along Upper Ganges Road to come into the police station and claim them.

Sgt. Mitch Hanks said he suspects somebody was moving furniture and household belongings to a new home when the items were lost. Hanks said the things are taking up space at the police station and he would like to see them claimed.

CRD Important Notice to Gulf Islands Residents

1980 Dog Licenses & Tags must now be obtained. Dogs without Tags are subject to impoundment, which may result in heavy fines to owners.

Bylaw 551 states that it is an offense to allow a dog to "be at large"

Annual license fees for all dogs over four months are as follows:
 Male or Female Dog: \$15.00
 Altered Male or Spayed Female: \$5.00

For the convenience of islands residents, 1980 licenses may be obtained from the following:

Access Communications, Rainbow Rd., Ganges	Pattersons Store, Fulford
Fernwood Store, Fernwood	Hope Bay Store, Pender Island
Foxglove Farm & Garden Supply, Ganges	Miner's Bay Trading Post, Mayne Island
Salt Spring Insurance Agencies, Ganges	Saturna Post Office, Saturna Island
Little General Store, Pt. Washington, Pender Island	

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The province has shrugged off its moral obligations

The challenge of urban transit has already contributed to the loss of his seat by one regional director. When Mike Clement made a plea last year for the inclusion of Salt Spring Island within the transit service area, he turned on a deluge of protests.

The protests were evident from some Outer Islands residents, but to a lesser extent.

Chairman of the Capital Regional Board, Jim Campbell, insists that all the components of the region should be within the area to meet the cost of transit and, one day, to enjoy its benefits.

Both are prophets crying in the wilderness of gasoline outlets. Both are looking ahead when their constituents, to varying extents, are only concerned with the present.

The facts are simple. Urban transit, or city buses, don't make a profit. They cannot compete with the convenience of a car and the fares are high. If they are to compete more effectively, the fares must be reduced and the losses increased. The buses are needed by many regular users.

Within the terms of reference which have obtained over the past eight decades, the problem was simple economics.

Today, the simplicity is gone.

Tomorrow, those services could well be vital to the urban community.

We have to recognize that the day when all fuel is burned up is now coming into sight. The day of the automobile could be reaching an end. What with public transit then?

Two islands representatives have recognized this threat to the instant, unrestricted movement of the family automobile.

But, the province has not.

The provincial government is still concerned only with the simple economics of financing public transit. Chairman Campbell and his sympathisers are concerned with the future. Their roles are reversed. It should be the other way round. The province should be thinking and the regions looking to their accounting.

When the government shrugged off the transit system on to the local property owners it was keeping its ledgers spotless. Politically, it was a shrewd decision, cleaning the provincial plate. Practically, it was selling the user and the property owner short.

If we accept the principle that the region should be responsible for transit irrespective of whether individual communities derive benefit from it, then we must interpret the function as a provincial responsibility, to be underwritten by everyone in the province and not merely selected victims.

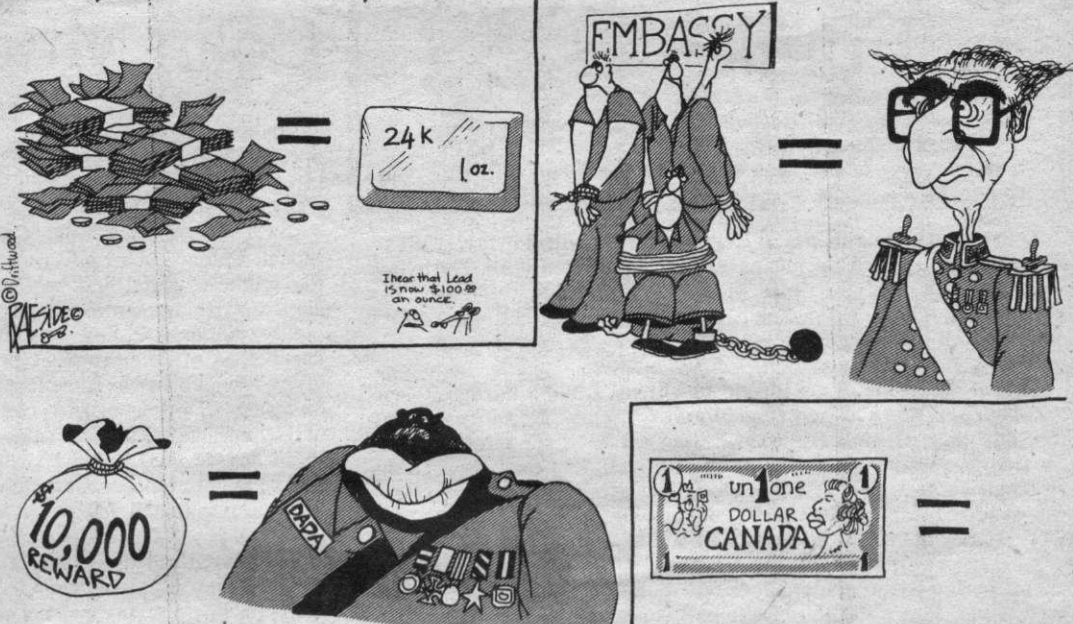
And this principle is more clearly evident with every new threat of gasoline shortage and national alienation away from the motor car. Urban transit is a provincial responsibility if it is to be paid for by people who cannot logically enjoy its benefits. It must be a provincial responsibility if it is to be promoted as a viable, cheap alternative to the family car.

While the province presents the people with clean books and grubby hands, the regional boards are not capable of assuming the provincial responsibility in order to meet the demands and the contingent liabilities of a gas-thirsty province.

Until the province is prepared to accept its moral obligations it is illogical to require of island people that they exceed their provincial masters in zeal or generosity. If the province is not prepared to meet its obligations, how can the property owners in the islands be expected to meet costs which are not even their responsibility?

If transit costs to islands residents are a matter of payment for service, they are incredible. If they are part of a moral obligation to future generations, let's see some guidance from higher up before we have to foot the bill!

THE INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE



Letters to the Editor

Editorial contained misconceptions and suppositions, say school staff

Sir,

We would like to correct some of the misconceptions and suppositions made in your lead editorial of January 23.

Perhaps the following quotations from our school information booklet, distributed to all parents and discussed at a parents' meeting in October, may clarify the school's position in the areas dealt with in the editorial.

"If any questions arise about your child's progress at school we do ask that you contact your child's teacher immediately. Problems can arise from misconceptions children bring home, but these can usually be clarified if parents contact the school before discussing them with neighbours. This would help eliminate rumours that have little basis in fact."

"Parents are welcome to visit their child's classroom to see the class in action. We ask that you

phone your child's teacher to arrange an appropriate time for these visits, however".

If we view the editorial in light of the above and add facts, rather than suppositions, we find:

1. No attempt was made to have a staff member attend the weekly meetings of the "concerned group" whose existence we were aware of only by rumour during its two months of weekly meetings. Teachers, too, are interested in improving education.

2. No parent has been refused access to the classroom. Members of two of the three families presenting the brief and having children in the school have observed their children in class. We do welcome parental involvement.

3. We have been fortunate to secure the help of parents and others in the community in providing expertise in field trips. Half the parents presenting the brief have

helped in this regard. We do make use of the knowledge, skills and experience of parents and others in the community.

4. At the present time, 10 parents and community volunteers are using their expertise in helping with library clerical work, instructing in special fields and helping children with special needs. Parents are involved.

May we suggest, Mr. Editor, that before editorializing you take time to check the facts with all those involved? It only takes a phone call.

A. C. RUNDLE-WOOLCOCK,
R. L. FRACHE,
R. W. TALLBOY,
W. BROWNE,
J. BRADLEY,
Pender Islands School.
January 25, 1980.

He doesn't have to get junk mail

Sir,

I see where your columnist Frank is coming to a rapid boil again about the junk mail he receives.

But why does he receive it? He doesn't have to.

There is no law that says you have to accept mail just because it is addressed to you.

If people send you stuff you don't want, all you have to do is to write on it, "Delivery Refused", and return it to the post office. The original sender will then have to pay double the postage to get it back. It won't be long before he crosses you off his mailing list. (The package must be returned unopened. If you open it, you are stuck with it: you have "accepted delivery".)

It is remarkable how quickly your intake of junk mail dwindles once you adopt the policy of refusing it. And there must be a good few trees standing today that would have been paper pulp long ago if we had not so treated our pestiferous advertisers.

RAY HORSEFIELD,
2370 Amelia Avenue,
Sidney, B.C.
January 26, 1980.

Impoundment fee preferable to dog paying with its life

Sir,

One of the services provided to the public by the Capital Regional District's animal control division is a "lost and found" registry.

Most frequently, advertisements, placed by the owners of lost dogs, state that their dog did not have a licence tag attached. As a consequence, the animal control officer who impounds a lost dog has no way of notifying its owner. After a three-day impoundment period, stray (unidentified) dogs are disposed of in accordance with the Dog Control Bylaw.

Dogs allowed to run at large are often injured on the roads. When the animal control officer takes an injured, unidentified dog to the veterinarian there is little choice other than euthanasia.

When a dog, identifiable by a licence tag is seen in the vicinity of sheep, it is my belief that the average sheep farmer will give the owner a warning. At least the first time.

The 1980 licence tags, which are now mandatory, are stamped with the animal control division telephone number. Thus a lost or injured dog can be returned to a

grateful owner forthwith. While a "running at large" impoundment fee will be charged, this is preferable to your dog paying with its life!

For your own protection, for the sake of your pet and because it is the law (Bylaw 551) I now ask you to license your dogs. Licences may be purchased at the stores listed in an advertisement elsewhere in this paper.

WILLIAM LEACH,
Animal Control Division,
Capital Regional District.
January, 1980.

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Premium
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This Week,
Says the Salt Spring
Island Chamber
of Commerce.

Parents haven't right to interfere

Classroom teacher's sanctum

Sir,
I was surprised to read in a paper I respect as much as I respect *Driftwood* your editorial advancing the opinion that parents should be permitted to go at will and uninvited into the classrooms of their local schools.

The classroom is the teacher's sanctum. This is where he does work as challenging, difficult and demanding as any that exists. Would your editorialist wish to invade the doctor in his consulting room, the cook in his kitchen, the surgeon in his operating theatre, to offer these professionals advice or criticism? Probably not. Then why subject the teacher to such harassment?

And how would a teacher cope with a critical comment advanced by Parent A which totally contradicted one made the day before by Parent B?

Many parents willingly become involved in their children's schools. They help with field days, expeditions, refereeing, coaching a game, supplying instruction in a skill which they may have and the school personnel may lack. I know this well, having been headmaster of a school of 600 students in which such support was generously given. But I believe our parents would have been embarrassed had they been invited to march unannounced into their child's classroom, presumably to check on the teacher's competence and would have considered such a procedure ill-mannered.

Most teachers are conscientious, dedicated and sensitive. They are unlikely to do their best work when subjected to steady criticism. They usually like to meet and get to know the parents of their students. But those parents have no right

and usually no wish to interfere with their professional performance.

I am elderly and retired, am not and have no intention of becoming involved in the dispute. But I feel I must in some small way come to the defence of teachers....who are far too often downgraded and denigrated by the communities they serve.

DOUGLAS HARKER
North Pender Island,
January, 1980.

Editor's note: As far as we are aware, no one has suggested that parents should be permitted to "go at will and uninvited" into the classrooms.

ELECTION LIMERICKS

Joe Clark is the Tory prime minister
Who tried so hard to administer
A dose of serious delusions
Instead of more practical solutions,
And for this, he is soon to be an
ex-minister.
I. C. SHANK
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SUSAN LEE
Box 781
Ganges.

Faces of power examined

Sir,
In the face of current media hysteria it seemed worthwhile to consider the uses of power, and its many, and always human, faces.

Power is Madness; when it invokes murder in the name of the Leader. Thus Hitler, Amin, Boscassa, the Shah of Iran and others.

Power is Blasphemy; when it ordains murder in the name of an uncaring or unknown god and his

Salutation for originality and uniqueness

Sir,
To Marc Sues and colleagues we would like to confer the Hudson and Madge Kimball Salutation for Originality and Uniqueness for Anonymous Theatre's production New Year's Eve. Uniqueness and originality, the twin essentials for individual insight, which can lead us out of our dark age today. In an epoch when institutions and pre-digested super-imposed opinions dominate the many individuals blocking originality, creativity and uniqueness, we must be eager to encourage such splendid outpourings of originality, characteristic of one individual (Marc) and supported by other individuals (the excellent cast and production team).
We look forward to more such endeavors.

MADGE KIMBALL
R.R. 2, Ganges.
January 21, 1980.

chosen people. Thus Israel and the Arab States, Pakistan and India, Jim Jones in Georgetown, and now Khomeini in Iran.

Power is Obscenity; when the State murders its own citizens, or those of other nations with equal indifference in the name of national interest. Thus Russia at home, with Krushchev in Hungary, Brezhnev in Czechoslovakia and now Afghanistan; China in Vietnam; Vietnam in Cambodia; the U.S. in Vietnam and Chile.

Power is Pornography; when it defends consumption in a starving world and commits its children to uniforms and war to perpetuate the right of its citizens to chevrolet with Exxon all the way to Safeway. Thus Jimmy Carter and his state of the union address and the senators and representatives who applauded him.

Power is stupidity in the knee jerk response of those who don't or won't or can't recognize that these differences exist and must mediate the process of any acceptable decision. Thus Margaret Thatcher, our very own Joe Clark - and how many others.

NORMAN WRIGHT,
Prevost Island.
January, 1980.

SUCCINCT SUMMARY

By
The Anarchist
["Rules without Rulers"]

THE ANARCHIST
What do I think of the Parties at this stage of the campaign? I thought you'd never ask!

The Conservatives, faced with uncertain truth, construct an absolute lie and tell you they'll get you more of it through suffering, which is good for you.

The Liberals respond with an uncertain lie, and ask you to understand that in view of the circumstances, they'll get you as much as possible because it's the best they can do.

The New Democrats reject both the Tory lie and the Liberal half-truth, but promise that nevertheless, we, together can get it in the end, and cheaper too, by God!

The Communists say that first they will tell you what it is.

The Rhino Party don't know what it is, nor yet which end is up.

The Anarchist knows what it is, and doesn't want it.

Candidates are polled for views on nuclear power

Sir,
The energy question concerns us all, especially the controversy over the use of the unstable element, uranium, to generate electrical power. As a federal election approaches, I contacted the five candidates in this riding for their stand on this issue and the questions of disposal of wastes and export of nuclear technology.

Their responses:
Don Taylor, M.P., Progressive Conservatives:

We should approach this issue from a regional point of view. There is no reason for the development of any nuclear installations in British Columbia.

I am presently reading the B.C. Medical Commissioner's report on the health hazards of uranium mining and processing. However, I see nuclear energy as a step towards energy self-sufficiency.

I know of no fail-safe method of nuclear waste disposal. More research must be done.

I am bothered that we have no national nuclear policy and insufficient research on the dangers involved, yet Canada uses these reactors as an international trade tool. Also, the Atomic Energy Commission is an economic disaster, losing hundreds of millions of dollars.

Jim Manly, New Democratic Party:

I am completely opposed to nuclear energy. I am on record as opposing uranium mining in British Columbia due to the risk to the workers' health, the possibility of disaster and the terrible problem of waste and tailings disposal.

I support the NDP proposal of a royal commission inquiry into all aspects of nuclear energy. During this time there should be a complete moratorium on all nuclear power development.

I believe exports of uranium and reactors to other countries should be ended in the interest of world peace.

Leo Gervais, Liberal Party:
Nuclear energy is a reality. The Toronto area receives 40% of its electrical supply from the nuclear power plant in Pickering, Ontario. In British Columbia, we have sufficient reserves of natural gas and hydro-electricity not to need nuclear reactors here.

The dangers will be overcome through continued research. The existing safeguards must be enforced. I would be the first to support a public inquiry of the issue.

I am against the practice of dumping radioactive wastes into the ocean or down abandoned mining shafts. There should be no new nuclear installations until the problem of disposal is solved.

I support continuing exports to those countries which we believe to be peaceful. Society can't turn off the lights!

Lewis "Crowbird" Lesosky, Rhinoceros Party:

The Rhinoceros Party has no stand on nuclear power at this time - ours melted on a visit to Three-Mile Island.

We are having a new lead platform built to continue our campaign to close all uranium mines and stop all nuclear technology and exports.

Arnie Knott, Communist Party:
Canada is not short of energy. There should be no further uranium mining or nuclear power plants for electricity until all safety aspects have been cleared, perhaps by a Royal Commission.

If and when production is necessary, then it should be controlled by public ownership and democratically administered.

We are calling for a moratorium, right now, including exports. The Communists support peaceful use of nuclear energy, provided the safety aspects are vindicated.

SANDRA NOORE,
Box 736, Ganges.
January, 1980.



Tony Richards

OUR MAIL ALWAYS makes interesting reading and usually if there's a shortage of things to write about, a look through the press releases will provide something.

For instance, I just learned that at the University of Victoria attempts are being made to develop an automatic, computer-controlled speaker recognition system to remove subjective elements from voice identification.

Funding is being sought for the project which, if successful, would be widely used by law enforcement agencies. It could also be used by banks, according to the university's information office, enabling them to identify people wishing to cash cheques by telephone, and for controlling access to computer storage banks through the use of a spoken password.

Interesting, isn't it?

But then we also get a lot of trivia, such as the release we got last week from the consumer and corporate affairs ministry.

"The provincial government has approved a proposal by the East/West Kootenay Crematorium Company to establish crematoria in Trail and Cranbrook."

It is expected that the crematoria should reduce costs to residents of the area because at present Kootenay residents are faced with transportation charges to the nearest crematorium in Penticton. Average savings will amount to \$75 per cremation.

Thought you'd be interested....

WHEN I WALKED into the Fulford Inn last Wednesday to deliver their papers, I was asked why the task of delivering papers should fall to the editor.

Well I do try and avoid the chore of deliveries but lately reporter Brian Sober has been keeping his distance from the office on Wednesday afternoons, and I have been unable to delegate the job to him.

The reason for his keeping a low profile on publishing day is that one of the last times he did the Fulford run, it took him about three or four times longer than it should have.

The job includes replenishing the paper sales box on the *Queen of the Islands* and extracting the coins from the money box.

Evidently, Brian sauntered on to the ferry, strolled into the cafeteria in a leisurely manner, and slowly and deliberately began his task.

But he must have been so engrossed in what he was doing that he failed to notice the time. When he finished he discovered that the ferry was on its way to Swartz Bay.

And that's why I have to deliver papers.

IN A RECENT discussion about poker, a friend who hails from the province of Saskatchewan passed on an interesting bit of information.

A man who goes out to play poker and gamble a little money in the Prairie provinces cannot legally gamble away his farm without written consent from his wife.

And as far as my informant knew, that law is still in effect.

THE ONLY THING I don't like about cold weather is static electricity. Ever since this cold spell set in I've been carrying around enough of a charge to light a 25-watt bulb.

So I try to make a point of grounding the charge every half-hour or so. If I forget, and lightly touch something that will conduct the charge and ground it, a nice healthy spark will jump about one quarter of an inch and the sensation is not particularly pleasant.

If I could time that spark, I'm sure I could provide the ignition for something like a one-cylinder Easthope.

AND FOR THOSE who didn't appreciate my last joke, how about this one: Why does Joe Clark carry a turkey under each arm?

For spare parts....

(With apologies to local Conservative party supporters.)

Only lunatics or those nursing a death wish for mankind could welcome war

BY MARY C. WILLIAMSON

As recently as last December, Gunnar Myrdal, the Swedish Nobel Prize winner, was quoted in the San Francisco *Chronicle* as saying:

"As for the Soviet Union, one basic fact should be kept in mind. Russia was profoundly scarred by World War Two, and no government can maintain power in Moscow if it is not a recognized guardian of peace. There is a tendency in the West to see all Soviet talks of peace and disarmament as propaganda, but these speeches reflect the most pervasive needs of the Russian people. I am convinced that the Russians are ready to sign any type of agreement that guarantees security and peace.

EMERGED RICHER

"The same cannot be said about the U.S. That country has participated in two world wars, from each of which it emerged richer than before. It was not the U.S. citizens who beat the depression; it was the war, with the increase in industrial demand. The U.S. citizens did not sustain any destruction in their own territory, and their casualties did not exceed the number of victims of auto accidents on their streets. The U.S. citizen's lack of a first-hand memory of the horrors of a war constitutes a danger for the U.S. as well as for the rest of the world."

When I hear a sabre-rattling speech, by a neighbour or a politician, I wonder what is his or her first-hand experience of war?

ESSENTIAL DIFFERENCE

Twenty years ago, when I returned to Canada, I had some difficulty in pinpointing what I felt was an essential difference between the people I met here and those I had left behind in England.

Finally I realized: most Canadians had not covered in a basement shelter while bombs exploded around them: they had not walked down moonlit streets with shrapnel whistling past their ears. They had not lived through the horror of V-1's and V-2's plummeting from a clear blue sky with their unimaginable cargoes of death and destruction.

World War Three can only be welcomed by lunatics or those nursing a death wish for mankind. Any thoughts, words or deeds which predispose the world toward another war must come from a small, power-mad lunatic fringe.

THEY HAVE CONTROL

Unfortunately, in our studies of Food and Making a Living, we have found that it is just such small groups which control our lives.

* * * *

The Ten Days Committee was delighted by a visit from Denny Durocher last Wednesday. He brought us news of the outside world, some background on our Third World visitor, Enrique Torres, and some much-needed motivation for our spring program. We have agreed to meet each Wednesday from now until the end of March, in the high school staff room, from 7.45 pm. to 9 pm. Two

of our members are obtaining films which will be advertised, and anyone who wants to join us for one or more sessions will be welcome.

Those who think World Development Education has nothing to do with them should read the introduction to Dossier 13, the November 1979 publication from the International Foundation for Development Alternatives, Geneva.

NOT A CONDITION

"Development as (re)defined in the 1975 Dag Hammarskjold Report is not a condition. It is a total, comprehensive process, informed by a value-loaded vision shaped around five pillars:

- the satisfaction of human needs, both material and, in a wide sense, political;
- self-reliance;
- endogenous;
- in harmony with the environment; and
- based on structural transformation, in the economy, the society and the polity.

"If this is development, then the usual phraseology of 'developed' and 'developing' countries is wrong and misleading, since it implies and makes people believe, that development is a linear process in which those lagging behind have only to imitate, 'catch up' and possibly 'overtake', as both Stalin and Rostow saw it. As a matter of fact, we have only underdeveloped or mal-developed social systems and the challenge is precisely to develop them in the process of humanization of human beings by

and for themselves."

Reminds me of a report on "humanizing" the atmosphere of a computerized office: get rid of the humans, then improve the surroundings! Ah well, a species capable of developing a bomb which kills people but doesn't harm buildings doesn't deserve much better!

February 9, 8.30 am. to 1.30 pm. Malaspina College, Nanaimo. Law of the Sea conference. Registration \$10, which includes lunch.

February 23, Ten Days Workshop, Nanaimo.

March 19, Enrique Torres on Salt Spring Island.

March 20, Enrique Torres in Chemainus.

Injuries minor in accident

Bright headlights were blamed for a two-car accident near St. Mark's Church at Central last week, RCMP said Monday.

Malcolm Pinteau of Ganges was driving an MG sports car on North End Road when he was reportedly blinded by the lights of a Suburban truck driven by Liduin Currell, police said. The truck was heading south and both vehicles were half-way through the tight turn near the church when Pinteau's car crossed the centre line, police said.

Both vehicles had slowed down for the turn and the resulting injuries to the drivers, RCMP said, were only minor. Police estimate the damage to Pinteau's car to be at least \$1,500, and damage to the Suburban at \$800.

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Lifetime newsmen

Jack Scott dies on his island

Jack Scott died at Ganges on Tuesday, January 22.

To newspaper readers and newspaper writers across Canada, the name of Jack Scott was part of the daily news. As reporter, columnist and editor, he had always enjoyed a big following from coast to coast.

Scott was 64 years of age. Most of those years had been spent interpreting events for Canadian readers with the *Vancouver News Herald*, the *Sun*, and the *Toronto Star* and *Victoria Times*.

He spent six years wandering around the world, still sending back his findings on events in Britain and continental Europe, the Middle East and South America.

He was latterly more familiar at home for his column appearing in the *Victoria Times* as well as smaller newspapers all over the province.

The island newsmen was with the *Vancouver Sun* when the Second World War broke out. West coast readers knew him for his *Sun* column, *Our Town*.

MAPLE LEAF

He left the *Sun* to join the army and serve in the public relations section of the Intelligence Corps. He promptly went overseas and engaged in radio broadcast programs from Europe. He also served as editor of the *Maple Leaf*, the Canadian forces newspaper.

Popular with readers and popular with his fellow writers, Jack Scott was also popular with judges of writing. He was awarded a trophy for his work on tribal revolt in Africa and a Bowater Award for his series on Duplessis and Quebec. When he was working for the *Victoria Times* he won a MacMillan Bloedel award for his series on Victoria.

Scott was a retiring man with no fondness for the limelight. When he suffered a stroke he was still

more loath to take part in public activities. He retired to his Salt Spring Island home on Rainbow Road and settled down to enjoy island living. And he did.

LOVED THE ISLANDS

Scott was in love with the islands. He once wrote that the physical beauty of the islands is part of their appeal, but that, as the years go by, that beauty is taken for granted.

"There is an island philosophy," he wrote, "that manifests itself on the surface in a slow, relaxed, watch-world-go-by outlook and, God knows, I admire it, though passiveness, I agree, may not be

the best of approaches for a man in my profession."

Another Salt Spring Island newsmen, Jack Webster, mourns the loss of an old friend:

"Canada has lost one of the best newspapermen, columnists and essayists of the century," he said. They worked together on the *Vancouver Sun* many years ago.

Jack Scott leaves his wife, Grace, at home; three daughters, Judy in South Africa, Jill Fowles of Victoria and Jenny Walsh of Salt Spring Island, and four grandchildren.

Private funeral service was held at the family home on Tuesday last week.

Liberal candidate is optimistic about election

BY FRANK RICHARDS

Liberal candidate for Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands in the coming federal election is Leo Gervais. And if optimism goes for anything, he's elected. He came to Salt Spring Island on Saturday, accompanied by his inner ring of supporters.

Things are changing, he reports. The Liberals are gaining support from people in the riding who have not been active for a long time.

A teacher in the Cowichan Valley, he is unable to reach the electorate during the working week and is obliged to travel around the riding at weekends. In the evenings he works nearer home.

Liberals name president at Salt Spring

Salt Spring Island Liberal Association has named Margaret McDonald president. The association was formed on Saturday when the Liberal candidate, Leo Gervais, was in Ganges.

Vice-president is Dr. Jack Hoadley and secretary, Audrey Allan.

The candidate attended a luncheon in Ganges with about 20 islanders. It was the first visit of the candidate to Salt Spring Island.

Not unexpectedly, he's bilingual. Born in Quebec, he has lived in the anglophone regions of the west coast long enough to be completely fluent in both languages, with no trace of another tongue in either language.

KNOW YOU'RE COMPETENT

The time when you know you are completely competent in a second language is when you start doing mathematical calculations in it, he recalls. He found himself adding up in English one day, and knew he had reached complete command of it.

The election? Of course he's optimistic, or he wouldn't be there. And he is confident that the Liberals will form the next government.

He referred to Petrocan and urged that the national oil corporation must be retained and kept for the benefit of all Canadians. The energy crunch today demands the retention of Petrocan and intact, he told *Driftwood*.

ABILITY TO SUMMARIZE

Last week he was talking with Pierre Trudeau, he recalled. His main impression of the Liberal leader was Trudeau's ability to summarize every situation. He listened as various candidates and speakers contributed to the discussion. The leader would then offer a summary of the salient points in order of significance with scarcely an evident pause for thought.

The party of Liberal campaigners had already been to the Farmers' Market in Ganges. They were all impressed with the islanders' fervour in their political opinions. They found few who took their opinions lightly, commented one of Gervais' party.

On leaving, Gervais expressed regret that there will be no all-candidates' meeting on Salt Spring Island.

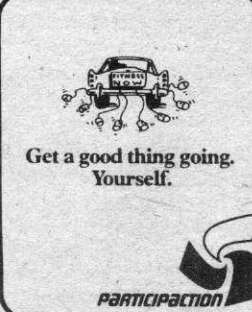
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At Pender Island

Jake Buitenwerf speaker at Institute

BY ELEANOR HARRISON

Guests at the Pender Island Farmers' Institute meeting January 22 were Salt Spring Island residents Jake and Audrey Buitenwerf.

An audience of about 50 people heard Buitenwerf tell of his experiences in growing vegetables and fruits for marketing. He also spoke of the building and use of greenhouses.

In his youth in Holland, Buitenwerf spent two years at a horticultural school before leaving for a career at sea. He is now with the B.C. Ferry Corporation, but growing things for fun and profit is his favourite pursuit.

A few years ago Buitenwerf felt a greenhouse would be an asset and after a few inquiries, he wrote to the University of Kentucky, and obtained complete plans for building a greenhouse.

CAN BE BOUGHT LOCALLY

Most of the materials needed can be bought locally. The greenhouse can be built from 2 x 4's, 2 x 6's or 2 x 12's, according to the dimensions of the roof. There are no beams through them: a must for double-glazing in the winter, which saves up to 30% in heating costs. All the greenhouse plans have a peaked roof. His 100 x 33-foot greenhouse cost about \$4,500 to \$5,000. He grows only tomatoes and has his own irrigation system, requirements for which can all be bought in this area.

Fans are considered by many authorities to be a necessity but can be very expensive. The speaker put opening windows on two sides to allow fresh air in at all times and this has been very successful, he said.

Last year he sold two tons of tomatoes from his home. The year before he tried tomatoes and lettuce together but as tomatoes need more heat than lettuce, he has decided to stick to one crop.

AGAINST A BUILDING

There are many things that can be done with a small greenhouse and the easiest way to build one is to locate it against an existing building, on a south-facing wall.

If one can grow nice local products it's a big asset to the islands and there are many people to buy it, he said. Summer residents used to buying in city supermarkets love fresh products such as lettuce and carrots but peas are a lot of work and it's hard to make money with them, Buitenwerf said.

With regard to heating, he explained that unless you use a very large amount of electricity it doesn't pay to be on a commercial rate. Buitenwerf said he uses propane heat.

Mr. Buitenwerf has one planting of tomatoes and is all finished with them in August. They are ready for sale by the end of May.

New owners of Hope Bay Store



New owners of the Hope Bay Store at Pender Island are Mr. and Mrs. Des Hoar. The store is the oldest on the Pender Islands and was originally opened by P. Corbett in 1905.

Des and Sylvia Hoar come to the island from Vancouver where they have lived for the past 10 years. Sylvia was a secretary with the Montreal Trust Company and Des was an insurance supervisor with the Halifax Insurance Company.

They come originally from Manchester, England, but spent 12 years in Toronto before moving to Vancouver.

He gives his tomatoes one light spraying with diazonal. This he uses on his old fruit trees, and last year he realized over \$300 from the sale of fruit from two very old trees. He sprayed his potatoes once with Sevin last year and had a "beautiful crop".

Tomatoes and cucumbers grow fine in the same greenhouse, he observed. Strangely, he found that cucumbers did not sell well.

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Teacher is nominated

A Cobble Hill teacher was nominated by acclamation Saturday to contest the Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands seat for the Liberal party.

Leo Gervais, a teacher in the Cowichan school district for the past 13 years, was named at a nomination meeting in Mill Bay.

A graduate of Royal Roads Military College, Carleton University, University of B.C. and the University of Victoria, Gervais said

Saturday that "Tory incompetence and blunders and NDP shortsightedness" prompted him to contest the seat in the February 18 election.

In addition to teaching, the Liberal candidate has worked in sawmills and pulp mills, sorted mail, driven taxis and has worked for the federal government as a draftsman.

Gervais is also a flying instructor

Mary McCardia of Vesuvius Bay lost her favourite shade tree in last week's snow storm. The huge old alder tree buckled under the weight of three days of snow.

at Victoria International Airport.

He said his party is trying to provide voters with "a carefully thought-out decision-making process that examines the most acceptable solutions and proposals from both left and right-wing elements of our society".

Bylaws were contravened in election of new directors

Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission members learned Tuesday night that the elections held at their last general meeting, where five new members were elected, was a contravention of the Capital Regional District bylaws governing the commission.

Grant McRadu of the CRD told the commission that their positions are supposed to be by appointment only. That appointment can come only from the commission's 11th member and elected director, Yvette Valcourt.

Jack Albhouse commented that "if you locked horns with the director you wouldn't be back next year".

McRadu went on to say that a problem arose with the resignation of Dave Hoskin and the election of

Hugh Borsman at the general meeting to fill the remainder of Hoskin's term.

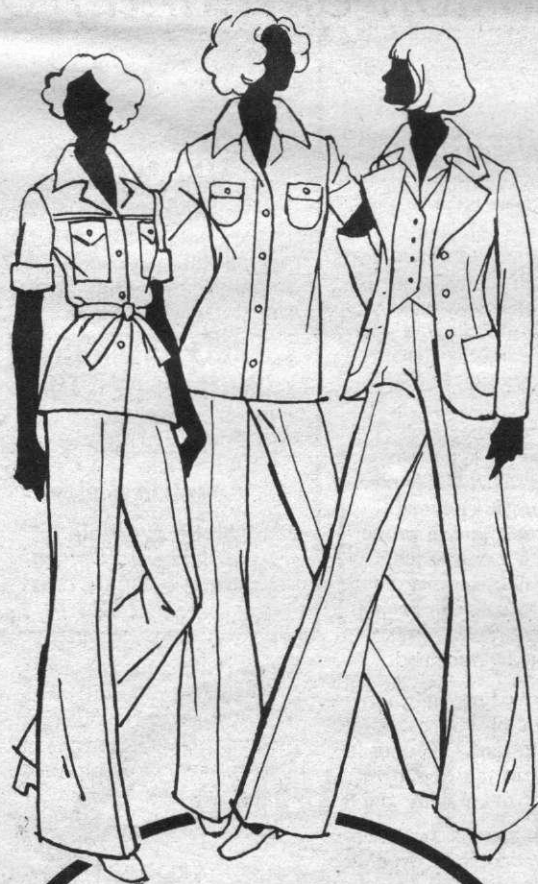
The bylaw states, McRadu said, that the regional director can appoint only five members at one time. At the general meeting held last November there were six new members elected.

McRadu said that Valcourt recommended to the CRD all those elected, but had no legal right to appoint more than five members.

McRadu suggested to the commission that if they wished to have Borsman, who was not present at the meeting, on the commission they should send a letter to Valcourt recommending him. She can then pass the letter on to the Capital Regional Board members for their approval, McRadu added.

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She survived holiday, though it was touch and go at one point

BY ALICE RICHARDS

Well, I made it. I survived the holiday. It was touch and go there at one point but I enjoyed every minute. And my resolution to spend two weeks writing so I wouldn't be caught empty-handed for the first issue of 1980 fell apart like every other resolution I have ever made.

I'm one of those people who doesn't enjoy a holiday unless I can completely forget about my work. So, although I promised myself that I would spend a few days cleaning up things at the office and a few days writing, I never really meant it (pulling the wool over my own eyes).

This holiday season was very different from the ones I've spent over the past seven or eight years. A different lifestyle, a different celebration. Not long ago we lived on a remote island miles from anyone and how we ate depended on how much time we spent working at it.

FISHING CHRISTMAS EVE

Christmas being special we would try to manage a deer for the occasion though it sometimes meant we'd be fishing Christmas Eve in case we had no luck hunting.

But for all the work, it would always be a good Christmas. Though there was seldom a turkey, we ate well. And the presents were always homemade, making them extra-special.

This year we tried it a bit differently. The store-bought presents for the children didn't last, some didn't even work from the beginning, although they cost more than a complete Christmas would have cost on Read Island. And the holiday was full of travelling.

But the main difference between the isolated Christmases on Read Island and our first Christmas at home on Salt Spring was the people.

We saw many of our friends and family. Friends we hadn't seen for years made an effort to visit over the holidays. At one point we had six adults and seven children under the age of six spending the weekend, and we have a small house.

IT WAS PERFECT

But Christmas is all children and friends and family and for me it was perfect. And so, I feel quite ready, even optimistic, at entering this new decade.

I have but one resolution: I will become a Canadian Citizen this year. I was born in Denmark but at the age of four my mother and father brought me to Canada. It wasn't until I was 17 that they themselves became citizens and if it had been one year earlier, I would automatically have become one.

But now it's my own responsibility and I haven't faced up to it yet. It seemed unnecessary until we planned a Christmas trip to Mexico and found I couldn't get a visa. So now I require a birth certificate, which is difficult for me to obtain because the Danish government didn't issue them when I was born. The only verification of my birth is a baptismal certificate which has proven hard to find.

FOR 25 YEARS

And yet I exist. I have a Canadian-born husband and two sons. I've lived here for 25 years. But if I can't find that certificate, I may be spending Christmas 1980 in Denmark!

My interest in Afghanistan's

political situation isn't nurtured by the news headlines but by M. M. Kaye's novel of 19th-century India, *The Far Pavilions*. It seems the problems in the Middle East have been around for centuries. This goes for Afghanistan as well.

It was in 1838 that a conflict arose that came to be known as the First Afghan War. Lasting four years it came about when the Amir, or ruler, asked the British colonial authorities for support of its territorial claims.

A woman's viewpoint

TO THE RUSSIANS

When the British refused support the Amir, Dost Mohammed, turned to the Russians for help. This angered the British, who demanded that the Russians leave Afghanistan. When the Russians refused, war was the result. The British won that war and finally left the country in 1842.

But the relations between Afghanistan and British India were tense and in 1878 the new ruler of

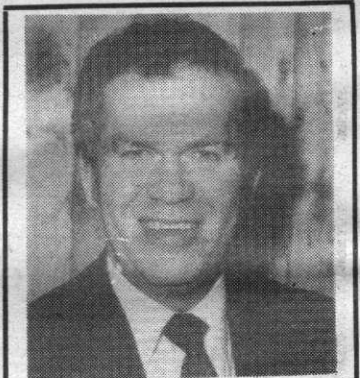
Afghanistan, Sher Ali Khan, aroused the enmity of the British by adopting a friendly attitude towards Russia. The Anglo-Indian force again invaded resulting in the Second Afghan War, which lasted for a year.

The country remained under British influence and in 1907, the

British and Russian governments pledged mutual respect for Afghanistan's territorial boundaries, until in 1919 Britain and Afghanistan signed a peace treaty declaring Afghanistan a sovereign and independent nation. It seems that from then on it's been a fight for independence with Afghanistan getting monetary support from Britain and then Russia, depending on who would help.

It's a turbulent and interesting history, typical of the Middle East countries. And the current Soviet invasion is nothing new. The fact that it is on a bigger scale than in the past is probably evidence that the Soviet Union is trying to get closer to the oil-rich countries.

The Far Pavilions is a romantic novel based on historical fact. It provides an interesting and pleasant insight into the Middle East countries and their people.



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Those who braved weather for concert were well rewarded

BY JEAN KNIGHT

The few people who braved the slippery roads and cold weather to go to St. George's to hear Richard Margison, tenor, and Ingrid Attrot, soprano (by kind permission of the Pacific Opera Company) were well rewarded. They left with a smile on their faces and a song in their hearts after the Sunday concert in Ganges.

The program started with *Libiamo and Un di felice* from the First Act of *La Traviata*, the beautiful gay duet between Violetta and Alfredo, soon after their first meeting. At the end of the first half, from the same opera, we heard the tragic duet in the Fourth Act, when Violetta was dying, and they sang their *Adieu*s. This was so well sung, there were many tears brushed away in the audience.

Two beautiful arias were sung by Richard Margison, *Il mio tesoro* from Don Giovanni, and *Una furtiva lagrima* from L'Elisir d'Amore; and from Ingrid Attrot, *E amore un ladron cello* from *Così fan Tutte*, also the heart-stirring, *O my Beloved Father*.

The second half of the program was mainly taken up with music from *Faust*: the duet *Il se fait tard* between Marguerite and Faust, also two arias, *The Cavatina*, beautifully rendered by Richard Margison, and the *Jewel Song* by Ingrid Attrot.

Any singer, let alone an 18-year-old, who sings and gives such a faultless rendition of *The Jewel Song*, deserves high praise indeed. The duet between Anne and Fenton from the Second Act of *Merry Wives of Windsor*, brought this

delightful program to a close.

They were accompanied on the piano by Kevin Fitz-Gerald, who also deserves very high praise.

We all hope they will come and sing for us again next year, when surely more music and opera-lovers will come to enjoy a highly professional musical afternoon, by two very gifted and talented singers.

Hay stolen

A loss of 32 bales of hay was reported to police by R. W. Lamont of Toynbee Road on Salt Spring Island.

According to police Lamont had the hay stored near the road. Police said Lamont believed the hay had been stolen over a three-week period.

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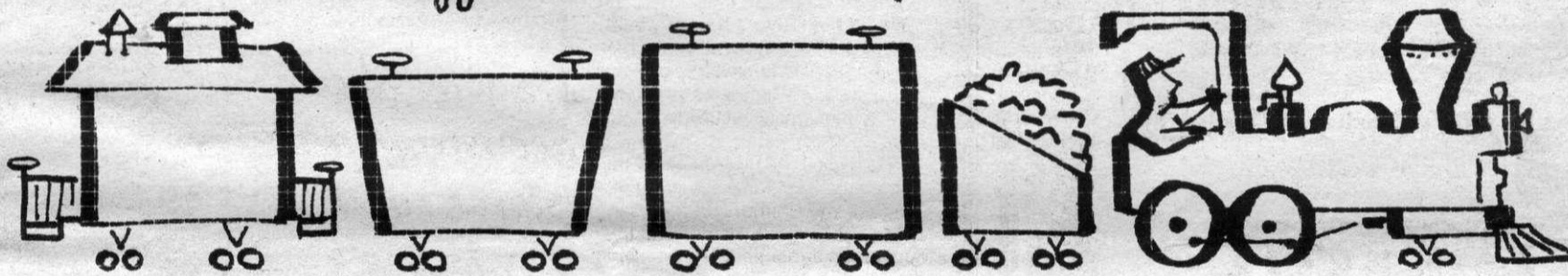
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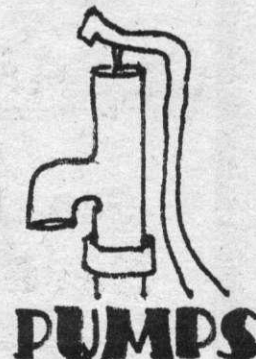


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Taylor forecasts drop in rates with election of Tory majority

High interest rates in Canada can be expected to come down following election of a majority Conservative government in Ottawa, Tory MP Don Taylor said in an interview last week at Ganges.

A candidate for the Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands riding in the February 18 election, Taylor said Saturday that high interest rates reflected the economic health of the country. But, he noted, the rates were starting to drop slightly when the budget was released just prior to the government's fall.

With regard to the provincial government's proposal to provide low interest rates for the construction of new homes in B.C., Taylor said it was an area in which the federal government could not move.

'DEEP DEFICIT'

He said that while the provincial government is operating with a surplus, the federal government has a "deep deficit" which would not permit it to undertake such a program.

Looking at the energy issue, the candidate said Canada has "spectacular opportunities" in this area. He observed that his party was the first to come up with a comprehensive energy policy.

"I'm very excited about it," Taylor said.

In the long term, he said, Canada could be the richest country in the world as far as energy was concerned.

Taylor stressed the importance of matching the power needs of a

particular area with the energy resources available to that area.

SOLAR ENERGY

"Alberta, for instance, is a good place for solar energy," he said.

He also spoke of the possibilities of a new electrical generating system using powdered coal mixed with certain elements.

The sulphur oxide produced by burning coal is absorbed in the process, he said, and there is "virtually no pollution."

"It might be a super way of using coal in B.C., rather than flooding more valleys and polluting more rivers."

Taylor pointed out that it was going to cost money to attain energy self-sufficiency and that an increase in fuel prices would help to provide that money.

LUNACY

"It's lunacy to say we needn't increase fuel prices," he said.

Twenty years ago, he recalled, it took 7.6 minutes of an average worker's time to earn enough money to buy a gallon of gas.

Today, he said, it takes six minutes.

Taylor said he didn't see any need for any further use of nuclear power in Canada. However, he noted, Ontario is dependent upon nuclear plants and so it would not be feasible to put a halt to its use.

BUDGET NOT THE REASON

Taylor, who recently described the forthcoming election as "insulting", said the budget was not the reason for the election.

The NDP, he asserted, didn't

want to face "momentary political embarrassment" by abstaining from the Liberals' non-confidence motion.

He said the real reason for the election was "political expediency".

"You can dislike the budget," Taylor said, "but you don't have to defeat the government over it."

Two charges under Motor Vehicle Act

Matthew Carter of Ganges entered pleas of guilty on two charges under the Motor Vehicle Act in provincial court last week.

Carter was charged by police with failing to stop at a stop sign and failing to produce his driver's licence. Judge D. K. McAdam levied fines of \$35 on each count.

The incident occurred December 18, the court was told, when police noticed Carter's vehicle pass the stop sign at the corner of Park Drive and Swanson Road.

Carter told McAdam that he thought his driver's licence was in the glove box of his car with other items. He said he looked for it but couldn't see without a flashlight, which the officer refused to lend him.

Number of permits up; value down

Figures released by the Capital Regional District indicate that building activity in the Gulf Islands was up last year over 1978 in terms of the number of building permits issued. However, value of the building was down.

Last year 178 building permits were issued, for a total value of \$8,246,847. In 1978, 163 permits were issued, with a value of \$9,138,927.

Here is a breakdown of the figures for 1979.

Salt Spring: 83 permits with a value of \$3,873,268; Pender: 38 permits, \$1,804,805; Galiano: 24 permits, \$1,047,551; Mayne: 32 permits, \$1,217,830; Saturna: one permit, \$303,393.

In 1978, 67 permits went to Salt Spring for a value of \$5,314,075; Pender: 40 permits, \$1,602,934; Galiano: 20 permits, \$879,234; Mayne: 33 permits, \$1,094,919; Saturna: three permits, \$247,765.

During December there was a marked increase in building over December, 1978. Total number of permits issued in the Gulf Islands last month was 13, with a value of \$621,654. In December 1978 only five permits were issued. Value was \$183,904.

Last month Salt Spring got seven permits, valued at \$322,197; Pender: two permits, \$127,332; Galiano: two permits, \$82,728; Mayne, one permit, \$56,018; Saturna, one permit, \$33,379.

In December 1978, Salt Spring: one permit, \$38,430; Pender, three permits, \$108,254; and Mayne: one permit, \$13,728. No permits were issued to either Galiano or Saturna.

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Stark family moves to "Fruitvale"

As the danger of Indian harassment increases, the Starks move from their mountain farm at Vesuvius Bay. Their new farm was known as "Fruitvale" for the many fruit trees planted there by Louis Stark. The property amounted to nearly 1,000 acres and reached from the north side of Ganges Harbour to the southern shoreline of Long Harbour.

Mrs. Stark seemed to be tireless in her efforts to make their home life enjoyable. She made hominy from the wheat and corn of their own raising, and sometimes boiled wheat had to be a substitute for bread.

When the missionaries came they ate boiled wheat too. Hominy and venison was a rare dish for them. Then Sylvia tried grinding the wheat in a coffee mill: the flour made good whole wheat bread.

The work of those early ministers, like that of the settlers, was fraught with hardships and danger. It was necessary for them to make long voyages across the water in stormy weather, frequently in Indian canoes.

ADAPTED THEMSELVES

They gladly and thankfully took what accommodation their poor parishioners were able to give them. They adapted themselves to the same hardships their parishioners faced.

Some of the first Wesleyan ministers to come to Salt Spring were Thomas Crosby, who had been a missionary for many years to the Indians at Port Simpson, Rev. Sextsmith, Rev. White, Mr. Cornelius Bryant and Ebenezer Robson, who came to the island in 1861.

Mr. Robson was an outstanding minister of the gospel. When he came to the Stark home he refused to take the best bed they offered him. He said it was wrong to rob Peter to pay Paul. He preferred to sleep on a straw mattress on the floor.

He made himself generally useful: chopping wood, bringing water from the spring, even churning the milk when Sylvia was busy with the cooking. He loved fried clams and would sit on the beach waiting for the tide to go out so he could dig clams.

FIRST TO JOIN

Cornelius Bryant was the first man to join the pioneer Methodist Church in Nanaimo. He brought his credentials with him from England. He also organized a band of young people as helpers to the church. They called themselves the "Band of Hope".

Sometimes he brought his wife to visit the Stark family. He taught Emmie, the oldest of the Stark family, to play on the organ. He took great interest in young people.

Not the least of all those early ministers was Mr. Raper. He was not an ordained minister, but he kindly took the pulpit in the absence of the regular ministers. Once Stark offered to black his boots for him before he went to church. Mr. Raper took it as a great joke when he discovered that his boots were blacked with panter grease.

An unbarked log, cabin school-house at the crossroads at Central, Salt Spring Island, served as a church for the Methodist ministers. A coloured man named Robinson taught the Sunday school and another coloured man, John Jones, taught school during the week.

The three oldest Stark children had their first schooling in that log cabin. They had to walk in a trail through dense woods up to their mountain home.



Emily Arabel Stark, who was born in 1857 on Salt Spring Island. She married James Clark in 1878 and died in 1890.

ANGRY GROWL

Once the two oldest children were coming home from school when they heard an angry growl from the bush on the roadside. It might have been a panther. They couldn't see it nor did they have any inclination to look: they ran all of the way home. When their father took his gun and went in search of the animal it was nowhere to be found.

During the 13 or 14 years the Stark family lived on Salt Spring (before their brief sojourn on Vancouver Island) the slaying of the settlers by Indians continued. Several coloured people lost their lives that way.

Mr. Robinson and Giles Curtis were both slain about 1867 or 1868. Mr. Robinson, a very devoted Sunday school teacher, often sang this old sweet song to his pupils: "Children of the Heavenly King, as we journey let us sing." It was sung in the old tune with all of the quavers of a spiritual. I have often heard my mother sing it just as they sang it in the old log cabin school-house where she first learned it.

THE LAST TIME

One Sunday he sang it to those brave children of the brave pioneers for the last time. He told Sylvia that next Sunday would be his farewell meeting. He had written to his wife asking her to come west but she refused to come to a wild country where the Indians were hostile, so now he was going back to her.



MARIE STARK-WALLACE

When next Sunday came and he failed to arrive, the congregation waited with growing uneasiness. Then a party went to his house at Vesuvius Bay where they found him slain in his cabin where he had lived alone.

One evening five Indians came to the Stark cabin on the mountain side. It happened to be on a Sunday when Mr. Stark was at home. The three children were asleep and the youngest, a baby was in the cradle.

WALKED RIGHT IN

The Indians walked right into the house and began to examine everything in the house. They even counted the blankets on the bed while talking amongst themselves. Then one of the men took a gun from over the mantle where Stark kept several guns ready-loaded.

While the Indian was examining it, Stark shouted to him to be careful as the gun was loaded. Stark grabbed the muzzle and turned it away. "I know it's loaded," the Indian said, and tried to wrest it from Stark's hands.

Sylvia was praying silently, as she felt that the Indians had come to kill them. She knew that they were too many in number for her husband to have a chance.

In the scuffle Stark held on to the gun, turning the muzzle upward. Suddenly there was a terrific blast and the bullet went through the roof.

Immediately to the surprise of the Starks, the Indians left quickly. It is quite evident they were afraid of Stark who was known to be a good marksman and was not afraid of Indians.

SAW THE GUN

An Indian going by the name of Willie had made an attempt on Stark's life. But Stark saw the gun sights glistening in the sun with the gun pointing towards him in the man's hands. Instantly Stark shouted to him, calling him by name. The man was afraid when he saw that he was detected and knew that if he missed Stark, Stark wouldn't miss him. He was trembling when Stark came up to him.

After that Stark was very careful: he always took his dog with him when he went into the woods.

After the appearance of those five Indians at their home the Starks felt that it was quite unsafe to live in that place, so they took a claim on the other side of the island.

They moved to a claim by the seashore where they could get plenty of seafood. Herring and smelt came up on the sand during the shoaling season and the farmers raked them up with garden rakes. The mussels were very large then and they hung in thick clusters on the rocks.

PROWLERS

Very often the farmers lived on clams and potatoes when other necessities were scarce. However, living so close to the sea had its disadvantages; it was not immune from prowlers.

One day a native stole into the house silently in his moccasin feet; they always came in without knocking. He asked in Chinook: Ka mika kan? (Where is your man?). Sylvia answered in Chinook: Wake syah (not far away).

The dog was lying asleep on the floor. When the man spoke the dog jumped up and would have caught him by the throat if Sylvia hadn't prevented him; though with some difficulty.

That stopped the prowling. As a rule the Indians were quite friendly. They sold their commodities, salmon and all kinds of seafood and berries, when they were in season. The Indians needed the chickens (money in Chinook).

Next week further tales of the early settlers on Salt Spring Island, by Marie Wallace [1867-1966].

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Recycling began on Salt Spring nine years ago

BY BRIAN SOBER

The rise of the recycling movement on Salt Spring Island coincided with the development of recycling in Victoria and Vancouver.

Recycling began in the Victoria area early in 1971 when a group of concerned people began separating their own garbage.

Recycling on Salt Spring was started by the island's SPEC members at approximately the same time.

Project Recycle paved the way by researching and establishing markets, setting up and implementing a depot operation and public education program.

ON DOCK

On Salt Spring, at that time, the recycling depot was in Mouat's storage shed on the dock in Ganges. A few years later volunteers financed and built the depot currently in use, located on the K & R parking lot. Both locations were

provided through the co-operation of Tom Toynbee, who owns the property at both locations.

Going back even further in the recycling history of the island is to mention the first box which was located half-way down Churchill Road. It was built by Ray Hill and now serves as a part of his pig-pen.

Originally it sat alongside the road and was unlocked seven days a week. On the weekend the Hills bundled up all the garbage into their van and trucked it into Victoria.

Next, the recycling movement was taken to Vesuvius Bay. A small shed was provided by the Vesuvius Ladies Auxiliary Fire Brigade. Again it was unlocked all week and the Hills took care of the transportation.

ABOUT 50%

Over the years the volume of materials brought to the depot has continually increased. Estimates are that approximately 50% of the island's residents use the service.

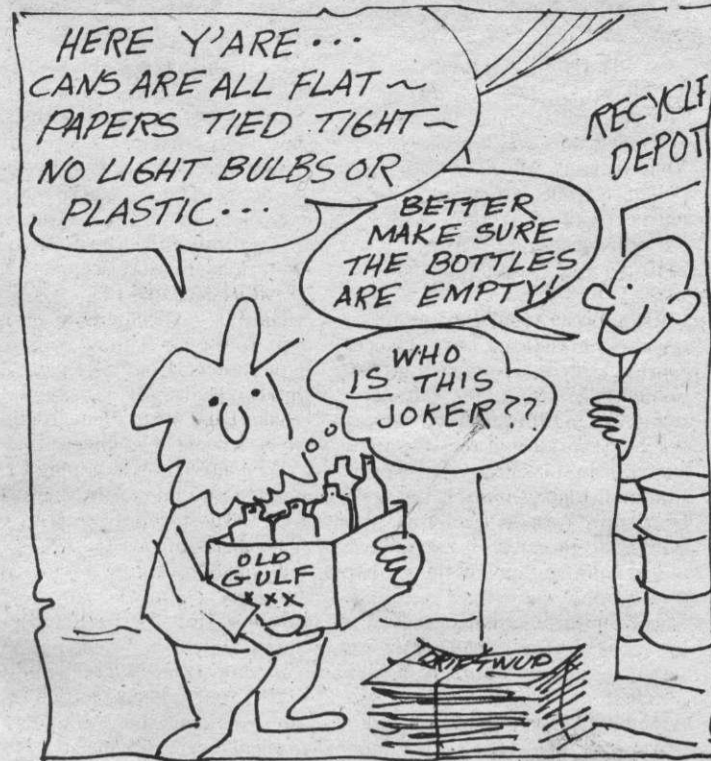
The policy from the start has been to spread the responsibility of manning the depot among the people who use it. That means that no one individual is called on more than once or twice a year to cope with the recyclable garbage of fellow islanders.

The staff of the Community Society, which is now responsible for the operation of the service, would like to have mid-week workers to cope with the material that is brought in between Saturdays. Depot hours are from 10 am to 1 pm on Saturdays.

The society would also like to line up 12 dedicated monthly co-ordinators to each be responsible for a month of the year. Currently they have seven faithful individuals or families who, year after year, take on the job.

If you are interested and would like to find out more about the duties of a co-ordinator, or if you could take a Wednesday or Saturday or help load the truck when the depot is full, then be a caller.

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Recyclables: where do they go from here:

BY BETH HILL

For some people recycling is just a sensible way to save the cost of garbage pickups, and compost the garden. For others it is part of the New Age when man will learn not to destroy his own world but will re-use and recycle its resources.

Historian William Irwin Thompson describes the change we are now experiencing, from the old industrial society dominated by greed and consumption to a new contemplative culture based on ecological harmony. You recyclers are a part of this change, whether you recognize it or not!

Certainly the recycle movement is growing. I called in to talk to Derrick King, director of the Victoria Recycle Depot, and he gave me these statistics: In 1971 when we started recycling, the depot thought it did well to handle 50 tons of recyclables, but in 1978 they shipped from the Victoria depot a total of 1,160 tons.

GROWING CONTRIBUTION

Salt Spring Island has made its growing contribution to this total, each year. The island's tin cans (after being separated by you in your kitchen, washed, bottoms

removed then tins flattened, and delivered to the shed in Ganges) go by truck to Victoria, then to Seattle to M. R. Industries, a subsidiary of the American Can Co.

The bottles are separated by colour in the Ganges shed and are smashed there. From Victoria our smashed glass goes either to Dominion Glass in Burnaby, where bottles are made from it, or to Seattle where it becomes Glastphalt, for road surfaces. The paper is shipped to Belkins in Vancouver.

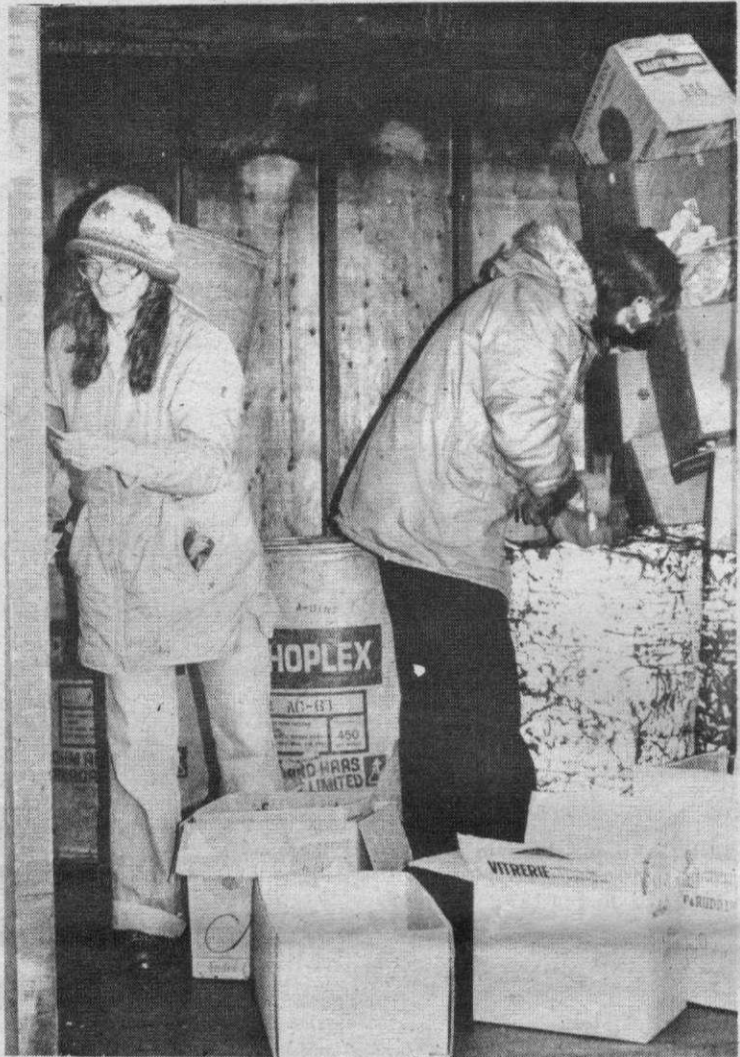
Derrick says the depot can again sell magazine paper, so you may tie yours securely in bundles and bring them to the shed with your newspapers.

ROTTEN ONES TOO

If you have taken your turn working at the recycle shed, you will know that there are good recyclers and excellent recyclers but there are also some rotten recyclers whom we would like to discourage. If you are not going to do it correctly, don't do it at all.

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B.C.'s potential uranium mining sites are examined

BY JEZRAH HEARNE

Yellowcake. Atomic age gold. Soft and crumbly, just like cake. If you take a bite, you'll probably die. Yellowcake is refined into the fuel pellets for nuclear reactors. Present prices for this highly radioactive substance range from \$30 to \$110 per lb., depending upon the market.

The process of mining uranium releases the radioactive substances thorium-230, radium-226 and radon gas-222. Since the pure uranium-238 is diffused in a large ore body, a great deal of rock has to be crushed in order to get to the uranium. Radioactivity is given off by all this rock in the process of mining. Approximately two pounds of uranium are given up by two tons of ore.

The mass of crushed rock and gravel left behind is called "milled tailings", and they are left in what is called a "tailings pond". These tailings will continue to be radioactive for about half a million years.

THREE KINDS

There are three kinds of mining procedures now in operation throughout the world. They all have their particular strengths and weaknesses as far as uranium mining goes.

In open-pit mining, by far the most common, the overburden is removed and a large excavation, similar to a gravel pit, is made. This kind of mining is reputedly safer for miners because the radon gas diffuses, but it is considered more hazardous for the environment and nearby human settlements.

"In-situ" leaching is a newer method just coming into vogue. Holes drilled into uranium-laden rocks are filled with a corrosive substance which dissolves the uranium. The contents of the holes are then pumped out into a reservoir, where the dissolved uranium is extracted.

SAFEST METHOD

This is considered the safest method with the least amount of environmental impact. However, it is not considered applicable to B.C. because of the structure and formation of our uranium sites. There is, moreover, a problem of reservoirs leaking into water tables.

Deep-ore mining taps deeply buried ore in the ground through long shafts. It is a more traditional form of mining and as dangerous to miners as coal mining, for similar reasons. The biggest problem is that radon gas has a tendency to get trapped down with the miners who then inhale it, thus exposing themselves to possible lung cancer. According to several medical reports, there is an epidemic of lung diseases, including cancer, among uranium miners. Expensive ventilation systems are needed to blow the radon out.

EXPENSIVE

There is a "non-entry" method which gets at the uranium pocket from behind, rather than boring directly into it. This is the preferred safety method, but again, it is expensive. The industry will only use this with high-grade ore, in the 10 to 20% recoverability range, and B.C.'s ore is on the poor side, with a maximum five per cent recoverability. Kenneth Mathews, a principal of Golder Associates Mining Consultants, claims that this is the safest method of all, "but if you have low-grade ore, you can't have a Rolls Royce approach".

Uranium exploration activity in British Columbia has found most of

the deposits to be at the south end of the province, concentrated around the Okanagan. A map of known deposits in B.C. reveals a potential radioactive band stretching across from the coast to the Rockies, from the U.S. border to as far north as Vanderhoof. Kelowna seems to be the core area.

NEAR BEAVERDELL

The Blizzard claim is a consortium of Norcen Mines with E&B Explorations from Germany and Ontario Hydro. It is situated at Lassie Lake near Beaverdell, 76 km. southeast of Kelowna.

The consortium is hoping to run an open-pit mine for 11 years. This is the largest deposit in B.C. with 42,000 acres involved.

A smaller venture in the area, the Fuki claim, is run by the Japanese firm, Power Reactor and Nuclear Fuel Development (PNC).

Its claim runs off directly into the Kettle river. PNC has not been capping its bore holes, much to the wrath of local residents.

The Birch Island claim near Clearwater is five kilometres south of the village of Birch Island and 80 km. north of Kamloops. It is on the south slope of the North Thompson Valley with its water table flowing south towards Shuswap Lake and the Okanagan.

This site would be mined by Rexpar Minerals, a subsidiary of Denison Mines, the company responsible for Elliot Lake, which Dr. Bates, chairman of the Uranium Inquiry, calls a "tragedy".

Miners were not informed of the dangers they were dealing with nor did the company do anything to make work conditions safer. Furthermore, homes were built on tailings, with tailings.

CANCER

The miners did not realize there was a problem till they started dying from lung cancer. The Serpent River water system and lakes around Elliot Lake are radioactive and totally sterile. The Birch Island claim would be a 123-acre open pit on several hundred acres of land.

The Hydraulic Lake claim is a consortium of Tvee Resources, Union Oil (Getty) and the Japanese PNC. It is 20 km. southwest of Kelowna and forms the watershed for South Kelowna residents.

Then there is the Monashee region with claims at Greystrokes, an extremely beautiful and fragile alpine formation. Also there are claims at the Big White, a ski resort. These are 50 km. east and southeast of Kelowna respectively, with the Mission Creek from Greystrokes flowing into Okanagan Lake.

RECREATION AREA

In the Kootenays there are the Bugaboo Mountain claims, just northwest of Nelson. This is a top-ranking mountain recreation area and the favourite of highly-skilled skiers who fly to the top in helicopters and ski down. Its water flows directly into the Kootenay Lake system. Near the Kootenays is the site of the China Creek consortium, at Genelle.

Mining officials were sent packing out of the China Creek area by hostile residents after Manny Inc. attempted to drill in their watershed. Three men were charged with obstruction for refusing to allow mining equipment to pass, but Judge Bruce Josephson gave them an absolute discharge out of "high regard" for their "integrity and motivation".

In Summerland, radioactivity has already percolated into the town's water system and crops, because the ore is so close to the

surface.

VANDERHOOF

There is a claim in the Vanderhoof area which is undergoing exploration. Figures on the quality and quantity of ore have not yet been established. Water systems in this region feed into the Nechako River, recreational fishing territory, into Fraser Lake and thence to the Fraser River, southern B.C.'s water artery. Beef cattle graze on the land.

Finally there is a uranium claim at Surprise Lake in Atlin, in northwestern B.C. Company officials argue that the environment is barren and that it shouldn't matter what kind of operation they take into this region.

However, native people live in the area and the caribou, one of their meat sources, pass over Surprise Lake.

Manly and Skelly at Ganges Thursday

Environmental and energy issues will be the major topics on the agenda at a meeting in Ganges Thursday.

NDP MLA Bob Skelly (Alberni) and federal NDP candidate Jim Manly will attend a meeting at Mahon Hall at 8 pm.

Skelly, who is opposition debate leader for environmental matters, will be the main speaker.

He will discuss what has been going on in the provincial legislature, give his own ideas of what should be attempted next and answer questions from the floor.

Provincial marine park established at Saturna

A provincial marine park has been established at Winter Cove on the northeast shore of Saturna Island.

Winter Cove Provincial Marine Park is the first provincial park on Saturna Island, said Lands, Parks and Housing Minister James Chabot recently.

It contains a total of 223 acres, with 39 acres of foreshore in Winter Cove. The park has frontage on both the cove and Georgia Strait.

When the land was purchased last year, the Devonian Foundation of Calgary provided half the purchase price of \$500,000.

"Its excellent anchorage and lightly covered upland represent one of the most scenic undeveloped

areas in the Gulf Islands," Chabot said of the new park. "Opportunities exist in the new park for low intensity uses including hiking and nature interpretation and observation and marine anchorage. Development of these types of facilities would augment and complement existing Gulf Islands parks."

Funds have been set aside for the construction of initial parking and picnicking facilities this winter, the minister concluded.

The plans have been sent to the Islands Trust for its review.

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**Galiano Island Advisory
Planning Commission**

**Meeting — January 25, 1980
2 p.m.**

at South Galiano Community Hall
To elect member to complete term left vacant by resignation of Jean Wilson.
Balance of Term: January 1980 to June 1981
Nominations from the Floor

Important Notice to Gulf Islands Residents

1980 Dog Licenses & Tags must now be obtained. Dogs without Tags are subject to impoundment, which may result in heavy fines to owners.

Bylaw 551 states that it is an offense to allow a dog to "be at large".

Annual license fees for all dogs over four months are as follows:

Male or Female Dog: \$15.00

Altered Male or Spayed Female: \$5.00

For the convenience of islands residents, 1980 licenses may be obtained from the following:

Access Communications, Rainbow Rd., Ganges

Fernwood Store, Fernwood

Foxglove Farm & Garden Supply, Ganges

Salt Spring Insurance Agencies, Ganges

Pattersons Store, Fulford

Hope Bay Store, Pender Island

Miner's Bay Trading Post, Mayne Island

Saturna Post Office, Saturna Island

Little General Store, Pt. Washington, Pender Island

Or from Animal Control Officers:

Gavin Reynolds, Ganges

Lynda Kenyon, Galiano

Chris Wade, Pt. Washington

Animal Control Division
Capital Regional District

Continuing Education

School D

2 Art Workshops — BOB BORSOS

"Brush Techniques"

"There are two basic brush shapes — round & flat. What are the possibilities with each type?"

1 session — \$5

Sunday, Feb. 24; Arts/Crafts Rm.; 12.30-3.30

"Imaginative Design in Pottery"

1 session — \$5

Sunday, Mar. 9; Arts/Crafts Rm.; 12.30-3.30

Alcoholism & Drug Abuse:

A Family Answer?

DAVID BERNER

1 session — \$2

Sunday, Feb. 10; Mahon Hall; 7.30-10.00

Ballet & Tap — Beginning Children

SUE BOWLER

4 sessions per month — \$15

Tuesday, Feb. 5; 3.30-4.30

or Tuesday, Feb. 5; 4.30-5.30

or Thursday, Feb. 7; 3.30-4.30 Mahon Hall

Ballet & Tap — Int. Children

SUE BOWLER

4 sessions per month — \$20

Thursday, Feb. 7; 4.30-6.00; Mahon Hall

Ballet & Tap — Youth

SUE BOWLER

2 sessions per week — \$45 per month

Tuesday, Feb. 5, Thursday, Feb. 7; 6-7.30;

Mahon Hall

Ballet & Show Dancing — Women

SUE BOWLER

4 sessions per month — \$25

Thursday, Feb. 7; 7.30-9.00; Activity Centre

Includes ballet, show dancing (Can-can, tap, Charleston, character) & floor exercises.

Bridge — Beginners

NORM & ANN McCONNELL

8 sessions — \$25

Wednesday, Feb. 6; Foods Rm.; 3.00

Cake Decorating

MARGARET HOWELL

6 sessions — \$15

Wednesday, Feb. 6; Foods Rm.; 7.30

Chickens

RAY STEWART

(Co-sponsored by Farmers' Institute)

5 sessions — \$8

Wednesday, Jan. 6; Rm. 3; 7.30

Badminton

Men's Basketball

Mixed Volleyball

Women's Drop-In Sports

In compliance with the School Board's January 11 recommendations, all interested members of adult sports groups using school gyms under the Continuing Education umbrella will meet to plan and schedule the most equitable use of available space next Wednesday night, January 23, in the Elementary School Library at 7:30 pm.

If groups wish to choose representatives to send to this meeting, it will be perfectly acceptable, but the meeting is open to all interested participants.

Wednesday Jan. 23 — 7:30 pm
Elementary School Library

Clay: Intro to Hand Building

KATIE SCHLAGEL

(Co-sponsored by Potters' Guild)

5 sessions — \$15

Thursday, Feb. 7; Mahon Hall; 9.30-11.30

Creations will be fired and glazed.

Contemporary Dance

ALICE FRIEDMAN

10 sessions — \$25

Wednesday, Feb. 6; Mahon Hall; 7-8.30

Drawing & Painting

BRUCE SMITH

10 sessions — \$25

Wednesday, Feb. 6; Art Rm.; 3.00 or 7.00

5 weeks drawing, 5 weeks painting.

Embroidery Basics

MARGIE KORRISON

8 sessions — \$20

Tuesday, Feb. 5; Suite 8, Lancer Bldg.; 7.30

Seven basic groups of stitches & variations.

Pre-requisite for "Exotic Stitchery"

English as a Second Language

MAGGIE WARBEY

10 sessions — \$5

Monday, Feb. 4; Elem. Library; 3.30

Baby-sitting provided

Fitness for Women

MARY ANN HUME

12 sessions — \$12

M, W, F, Feb. 5; Mahon Hall; 9.00-10.00 am

Baby-sitting provided

Fitness for Over-Fifties

MARY ANN HUME

8 sessions — \$8

M, F, Feb. 5; Mahon Hall; 10.00-11.00

Fitness for Outer Islanders

MARY ANN HUME

4 sessions — \$5

Monday, Feb. 5; Mahon Hall; 1-2.30

French — Conversation for Beginners

TERESA LEVESQUE

10 sessions — \$20

Wednesday, Feb. 7; Room 4; 7.00-9.00

French — Conversation for Int.

TERESA LEVESQUE

10 sessions — \$20

Monday, Feb. 4; Rm. 2; 7.00-9.00

French — Conversation for Greenwoods

TERESA LEVESQUE

10 sessions — \$1

Wednesday, Feb. 6; Greenwoods; 2.30-3.15

GED Test: An explanation

RUTH ARCHER

1 session — \$1

Wednesday, Feb. 6; Elem. Staff Rm.; 7.30

How to apply for and take this high school equivalency test. Free explanatory booklet.

GED Test: Prep Course

STAFF

10 sessions — \$10

Monday, Feb. 4; Rm. 5; 7.30

Brush up Math, English, Social Studies, Science.

Sample test questions. Test given monthly in Victoria, Duncan, Vancouver.

Goals for a Community Theatre

DAVID BERNER

1 session — \$2.50

Sunday, Feb. 10; Mahon Hall; 7.30-10

Greek Civilization: Drama

JOHN HALL

10 sessions — \$25

Tuesday, Feb. 5; Instructor's home; 7.30

Aeschylus' Oresteia & works of Aristophanes.

This is the fourth in an open-end series on the ancient world.

Handiwork Sampler — Men Only

KORRISON, HOLMES,

GUILBAULT & COURTNEY

10 sessions — \$20

Wednesday, Feb. 6; Textiles Rm.; 7.00

2 sessions ea. embroidery, quilting, knitting, crochet, weaving.

Literature: Canadian

MAGGIE WARBEY

4 sessions — \$10

Monday, Feb. 11; Kindergarten Rm.; 7.30

2nd Monday of each month. Survey the works of

4 contemporary Canadian authors. Monthly meeting allows reading time.

Problems of the

"Mental-Pause"

MEL COATES

An informal discussion group with some suggested readings on topics chosen by class. (Mid-life career changes, marriage and divorce, aging, etc.)

5 sessions — \$5

Tuesday, Feb. 5; High School Teachers' Lounge;

8 pm

Intro to

Movement

PENNIE CHRISTIE

At Ganges

10 sessions — \$25

Monday, Feb. 4; Mahon Hall; 7-8.30

At Beaver Point

10 sessions — \$25

Thursday, Feb. 7; Beaver Pt. Hall; 7-8.30

Photography — Beginners

CEDRIC BARKER

6 sessions — \$20

Thursday, Feb. 5; Drafting Rm.; 7.30

Intro to modern & older cameras, emphasis on exposure setting on manual & automatics.

Photography — Black & White

CEDRIC BARKER

6 sessions — \$20

Monday, Feb. 4; Drafting Rm.; 7.30

Some experience required. Exposures, printing, cutting costs, filters, processing.

Quilting in the Morning

JOCELYN HOLMES

8 sessions — \$20

Tuesday, Jan. 29; Mahon Hall; 10.00-noon

Make-up lessons will be arranged for shift workers.

Renewable Energy Works!

RESOURCE PEOPLE FROM SURROUNDING AREA

8 sessions — \$10

Tuesday, Feb. 5, Elem. Library; 7.30

Visual presentations from "Renewable Energy Foundation", Ottawa. Active & passive solar; wind; biomass (waste conversion).

Scottish Dancing

IAN THOMSON

10 sessions — \$20

Wednesday, Feb. 6; Fernwood Gym; 7.15