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Price tag increases by over \$1 million

# Extend sewer outfall, says board

The Ganges sewer proposal has been approved by the Pollution Control Board, it was announced Monday. However, the board has ruled that an amendment be made to the sewer permit which would require that the outfall be extended by about 2,000 metres.

In a letter received by the

Capital Regional District Monday the board said that the outfall should discharge to the east of a line drawn due south of Welbury Point. CRD engineering staff have estimated that it would approximately double the length of the outfall. A preliminary estimate has put the additional cost to the sewer scheme at over \$1 million.

The decision comes 2½ months after the board heard 38 hours of evidence at a public hearing on Salt Spring last November.

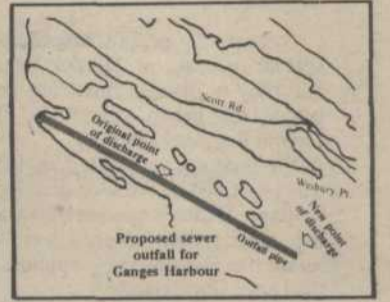
### COMMENDED

The appellants of the sewer permit application were commended by the board for their "well-prepared presentations". The regional district was also commended for its "clear and detailed account of the nature of

the proposed works and the oceanographic features of the harbour".

The board, the letter continued, is of the opinion that a municipal sewage works is necessary for certain parts of Ganges. But it was "not persuaded that a previous decision on a sea outfall into Ganges Harbour should be reversed".

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## Five candidates seeking federal seat Monday



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On Monday, February 18, voters in the islands will join with their fellow Canadians from east to west and vote for the next government of Canada.

Voters will be required to choose one of five candidates:

- Liberal: Leo Gervais
- Communist: Ernie Knott
- Rhinoceros: Louis "Crowbird" Lesosky
- New Democrat: Jim Manly
- Pro. Conservative: Don Taylor

Polls will open from 9 am until 8 pm.

There was no enumeration for this election and voters' lists are based on last year's. Island voters may vote even if they have been missed from the lists. An eligible voter, Canadian citizen, over 19 years of age and resident of the riding, may bring a witness to vouch for him. The witness must be registered on the same list.

Returning officer Beryl Fink, at Duncan, suggests that the sponsor might best be a close neighbour, to ensure that both are in the same polling division. Then the voter simply signs for the ballot.

Electoral office, in Ottawa, has prepared some advice for the new voter. Here it is.

**If you have never voted before,** here's what to expect when you enter your polling station:

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**After the closing** of the poll, the ballot box will be opened in the presence of agents of the candidates. The deputy returning officer will count the ballot, depositing votes for each candidate in separate envelopes, and will issue a statement giving the results of the poll.

## Approval given for use of Mouat Park

Two local jurisdictions and a senior government official have approved Mouat Park in Ganges as a site for a proposed recreation complex.

Glenn Woodley, chairman of the Parks and Recreation Commission, told his fellow directors Monday night that the Islands Trust has approved the rezoning of the subdividable lots adjacent to the campground.

Also, as a result of a meeting on Salt Spring last month, Deputy Minister of Lands, Parks and Housing Tom Lee will recommend to the minister that a site be turned over to the Capital Regional District, Woodley said. He explained that the government will continue to maintain the campground.

"The Capital Regional District has approved the scheme and will hopefully launch the planned feasibility study this week," said Woodley.

He and director Allan Hardie met Tuesday with Islands Trustee Dave Lott and staff planner Chris Foord. The decision on rezoning the lots needed to build the facility will follow a public hearing planned for late next summer, Woodley added.

referendum in November and, if it passes, the rezoning will follow automatically, said Woodley. If it fails, then rezoning will not take place, he said.

The next step, Woodley told the meeting, is choosing which of the lots adjacent to the park will provide the best site. That will be the first job for whichever architect is chosen by the Capital Regional District to undertake the feasibility study. The study itself, which will involve preliminary drawings and cost estimates, will not begin until after the public hearing.

## Tax hike

Taxes will go up in the islands this year.

The province is increasing the basic mill rate from 10 mills to 12.

On Thursday last week secretary-treasurer Wilf Peck told the trustees of the Gulf Islands School District that until he knows the assessment increases this year he cannot forecast the mill rate.

The increase in assessments should, however, absorb the very small school tax hike

## Unsuccessful as yet

# Further sewer delay is sought by director

A bid by Salt Spring Island regional director Yvette Valcourt to apply a further stoppage to work on the Ganges sewer was unsuccessful last week.

Mrs. Valcourt introduced a motion into the solid waste management and sewage disposal committee of the Capital Regional District calling for an extension to her earlier demand for suspension of work on the island project.

She was told that the motion was addressed to the wrong body. It had to go to the board.

The motion was a continuation of the island director's campaign to call a halt to the Ganges sewer project. She explained that the previous stop-work order had been given following her earlier resolution when she was planning to visit the minister of municipal affairs and discuss the history of the sewer project with him.

She met him last week to protest irregularities in the manner in which the original petition was taken up and to complain of other incidents. This week she is discussing the matter with the attorney-general. She wanted an extension to the stop-work order to cover her meeting with the justice minister.

who sits as a member of the committee, suggested that the Salt Spring director must come up with a substantial reason for halting the work.

"We haven't anything to go on," he protested. "We have an obligation to the contractor. There's \$260,000 spent already and that's going to fall on the backs of the people in the area."

"Will the attorney-general make a decision next week?" asked Howard Sturrock, "or will he refer the matter for consideration?"

"The meeting with the attorney-general will result in launching an investigation or an enquiry," stated Valcourt. "The board should not spend money on a project that may not go ahead."

The committee has no authority

Board chairman Jim Campbell

Times to Drive You

Trustees call meeting

# Campbell outlines need for transit at Pender meeting

About 75 people attended a special meeting at Pender Island Saturday to discuss financing proposals for urban transit in the Capital Regional District.

The meeting was called by local trustees Gordon Wallace and Emil LeBlanc. Wallace opened the meeting, saying that he proposed "to relate the facts as they applied to the Outer Gulf Islands".

Wallace recalled that regional board chairman Jim Campbell, who was at the meeting, had been quoted as saying that he had been re-elected on a platform for participation in transit by the Outer Islands.

Wallace agreed that at the pre-election meeting in November Campbell stated that a vote for him was a vote to include the Outer Islands in the Urban transit system.

However, the speaker pointed out that about 200 more people voted against Campbell than for him in the November election.

**NO MANDATE**

That, said Wallace, does not give the director a mandate.

He said he had been contacted by residents of the other islands with regard to the transit scheme. Many of them had pointed out that islands MLA Hugh Curtis has

stated that only the areas which are to be served by the transit system will be taxed.

But Wallace said he has told inquirers that by April 1 the proposal may be passed and islanders will be committed.

The meeting was reminded that Campbell had said in November that bus service would be provided to meet the islands ferries at Swartz Bay.

Wallace concluded by saying, however, that the people of Pender Island didn't think the proposed bus would serve their needs.

**NOT ALWAYS A MAJORITY**

In reply, Jim Campbell observed that in the process of government, people are not always elected with a majority.

He said that at present everything is done to discourage foot passengers: there is no adequate bus service to meet the ferries, poor waiting rooms and a long walk on to the ferries.

Ferry traffic has been increasing each year and in peak seasons there are long waits. But there is a limit to adding new ferries. Campbell believes that if more passengers were on foot, better service could be given to vehicle traffic. He stressed that islanders have a right to take their cars on the ferry.

Campbell said he was confident that he is doing the right thing.

Under the agreement signed by the Capital Regional District and the Urban Transit Authority, the regional district will have a very significant say, he explained.

Twenty-nine new buses will serve the Capital Region. There will be a 30-minute service from Sidney to Victoria, with an ancillary bus from Sidney to Swartz Bay to meet the ferries. Campbell hopes that it will discharge the passengers at the ferry slip.

**IRRESPONSIBLE**

He said he would be irresponsible not to take action when representatives to parliament say crude oil will be \$56 dollars a barrel instead of the present \$26 dollars, and gas will be \$2 a gallon or more. The proposal is an alternative, and unless one is provided the present situation will get worse, he warned.

Campbell told the audience that 40% of the transit costs will be raised by fares and 60% from the provincial treasure, of which 25% will be from local taxation in one or all of the three planned forms. He said the tax on gas could be 3c., 6c. or more but must be in multiples of three. The Hydro tax will be a fixed equal dollar amount added to all Hydro bills.

Pender resident Manfred Burandt asked Campbell if the tax dollars collected in the islands would be used solely for transit service for islands residents.

"....Will any excess revenue be thrown into the general revenue for urban transit, in which case we could then be subsidizing other areas in the same way that thousands of dollars of school tax monies are generated here and used in other areas?"

**THE LATTER**

The board chairman replied that the scheme would follow the latter course.

Another resident asked if the mill rate for transit would be the same on the islands as in Victoria. Under present legislation, Campbell replied, that was how it would be. However, he said, he was seeking to have it changed to allow for the level of service received.

The meeting ended with a suggestion from Gordon Wallace that a cost-benefit study be undertaken for the benefit of islands residents.

He also recommended to Campbell that he try to attend more information meetings on the islands.

Seven are in favour

# Baltzer votes against \$2,800,000 school bylaw

When Gulf Islands School Board approved the \$2,800,000 budget bylaw on Thursday afternoon last week, one trustee voted against the increased spending.

Charles Baltzer registered his negative vote and insisted that the school costs had risen out of proportion to the enrolment in district schools. The number of pupils has not increased and the increased expenditure of \$80,000 cannot be wholly justified, he asserted.

Ministry of education permits a school district to increase its spending by 10% over the previous year without challenge. When the current year's budget shows a rise exceeding 10%, a special bylaw is mandatory to cover that hike. This year's budget bylaw is to cover the \$80,000 expenditure planned beyond that basic 10%.

Of the increase, \$20,000 is allocated to Outer Islands transportation. He does not challenge that, said the former chairman of the board.

His was the only voice raised in opposition.

**ZERO BUDGETING**

The budget was zero-based, explained the secretary-treasurer, which means that no expenditures were included as a legacy from last year's operation. Every item was considered and included only on its own merits.

"I am very confident that a budget prepared that way is larger than it would have been another way," said Wilf Peck. "Things left out were left out deliberately."

If the budget remains at 110% of the previous year's the board is merely holding its own in face of inflation, suggested David Stacey.

"We are holding our own and bringing only \$80,000 into the kitty."

Strick Aust was in favour of spending on specifics rather than holding the line on generalities.

"If we start paring it down it will be unfair to the students," contributed Jim Ripley.

It is the first time the islands school board has exceeded the basic 110% in four years.

## Sewer permit amended

From Page One

Before going into the details of the outfall extension, the letter stated that the board was "upholding" the appeal.

There was some uncertainty this week as to what the exact meaning of the letter was.

A spokesman for the Pollution Control Board told *Driftwood* that since the appeal was being upheld, it appeared that the permit was invalid. But CRD information officer Jack Fry said the permit was still valid, and had only been amended by the board.

One of the people who was involved in an appeal against the permit, Ganges resident Patrick Tiernan, expressed some misgivings over the decision on Tuesday. He said that he was pleased with the extension to the outfall but would have preferred to see a recommendation for land disposal.

Regional director Yvette Valcourt, an appellant of the permit, declined to comment on the decision Tuesday, saying she had had insufficient time to consider it.

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# To Be Frank

by richards



It seemed funny to me last year that a man could suffer from athlete's foot and gout at the same time. I've found a funnier condition, bronchitis and a hernia. Has you doubled up, in stitches!

Can you count in Russian, he asked me as if it was a magic trick. Of course, I can count in Russian: oneski, twoski, threeski, fourski!

I wouldn't want to reveal his name. Just that he's a prominent businessman on the island and he has a bank account. And the bank didn't put it the old-fashioned way, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith. No, they just had John and Mary Smith. Only it was the other way round, Mary and John Smith. You know, he was so stuffy about it, you'd think he was an Englishman!

There was 34 cents to pay. And who is going to argue? There's just no argument. I opened the letter and read it. Cheque enclosed, it stated. I looked twice and found no cheque. It was bad enough paying 34c to get it. It was a sight worse finding no money in it, even then.

You never know whether the milk's sour until you drink it. It's like the oranges during the war. The crate of oranges was sold, time and again, with a happy margin of profit, until a grocer rang his supplier and complained the oranges were bad. You ate them, enquired the supplier, incredulously. Those oranges weren't for eating; they were for trading! I poured out a glass of milk and it was half-way down my throat before I realized it had gone rotten.

Even the tide's like that. You never know until something makes you think about it. I wanted some clams and then discovered that there's precious little time to see the shore this time of year.

I just had to write and send my love to the Maple Leaf, wrote a friend from Florida. And her friend in Ganges, Betty Galt, passed on the note. Her love was for aiding the United States embassy personnel. I'm sure your ambassador knew the risks he was taking, continued the letter. The writer is about as far as she could be from British Columbia and still be part of the United States. But she wrote to this part of the world to echo the gratitude of a jubilant nation. And Betty was delighted to get that letter!

Ivan Mouat's back from Hawaii, brown as a berry. So's Mike Clement. And Rob Dixon! Gee! I hate 'em!

## Historical Association meets at Saturna Island

**BY ELSIE BROWN**

The regular meeting of the Gulf Islands Branch of the British Columbia Historical Association was held at the Community Hall on Saturna Island February 3.

Business arising from the minutes included a discussion on the embroidered screen. The decision on an acceptable solution to the problem was deferred until the next meeting.

President Marjorie Ratzlaff reported that with regard to the Essay Contest, students had suggested a field trip be substituted which would include a visit to a museum or other place of historical significance. This suggestion was endorsed by the association. Applications would have to be made to the branch for support of the best project suggested by the group. Prizes for the best written report would be given.

**INADEQUATE**

A letter from Ruth Barnett, president of the B.C. Historical Association, was read regarding the publication, *B.C. Historical News*, and the increased cost of its publication. Membership fees of \$1.50 per member have not been adequate since 1978. Mrs. Barnett also mentioned the date of the annual convention which will be held at Princeton and hosted by the Princeton Historical Association on May 29, 30, 31 and June 1.

Following the meeting Don New played a tape recording of a speech given by the late Willard Ireland, archivist at the Provincial Archives, on Sir James Douglas (1819-1877).

Douglas was 16 years of age in 1835 when he left Scotland to come

to Canada. He was employed by the Hudson's Bay Company and became a successful fur-trader, rising to the position of general manager.

**SENSE OF HUMOUR**

Although he had the appearance of being a very austere man he was known to have quite a keen sense of humour.

In 1855 Douglas moved to Fort Vancouver and became governor of Vancouver Island.

In 1858 he was instructed by the British government to set up a legislative assembly. He felt it was a rather big assignment as he didn't know anything about legislatures. But it was formed and he became governor of B.C.

The extent of his formal education was not known but it became evident that he was well read and had brought his text books with him from Scotland.

Douglas married Amelia Connelly and they had 13 children, only six reaching maturity.

**TO SCOTLAND**

After 45 years in Canada he went back to Scotland for a visit but he was disappointed that he didn't find things the way he left them.

Letters written to his daughters are preserved in the Provincial Archives and tell a great deal about the man who was truly, as Ireland stated, "The father of British Columbia."

The recording was made by Don New, who was president of the Gulf Islands Branch in 1977 when Ireland gave the speech at Pender Island.

## Tight money puts paid to capital projects

Construction of additions and improvements to schools in the Gulf Islands took on a thin look last week.

Secretary-treasurer Wilf Peck outlined a list of projects planned by the Gulf Islands School Board and now facing sudden death from provincial government cut-backs.

The province had established a total of \$100 million for capital costs in provincial schools this coming year. School districts had prepared lists which reached nearly \$200 million. The ministry called for paring of costs and various projects visualized in this district have been cut out.

Renovations at Galiano school had been left in, but the covered play area was retained while the projected new classroom to which that cover was to be attached has been pared out.

The list is not firm, trustees were told.

**AT MAYNE**

At Mayne School the work required by ICBC has been left in the program, as has new flooring.

The office at Saturna School came out, although site clearing stayed in.

It was noted that in times of tight money a classroom is more likely to remain than an office.

Contingency funds for Fernwood School are still to be allowed, but playing area is out.

Salt Spring Elementary School playing area was also deleted,

although the funds for hooking up the sewer have been left.

Band area at Gulf Islands Secondary was included and the agricultural class was out.



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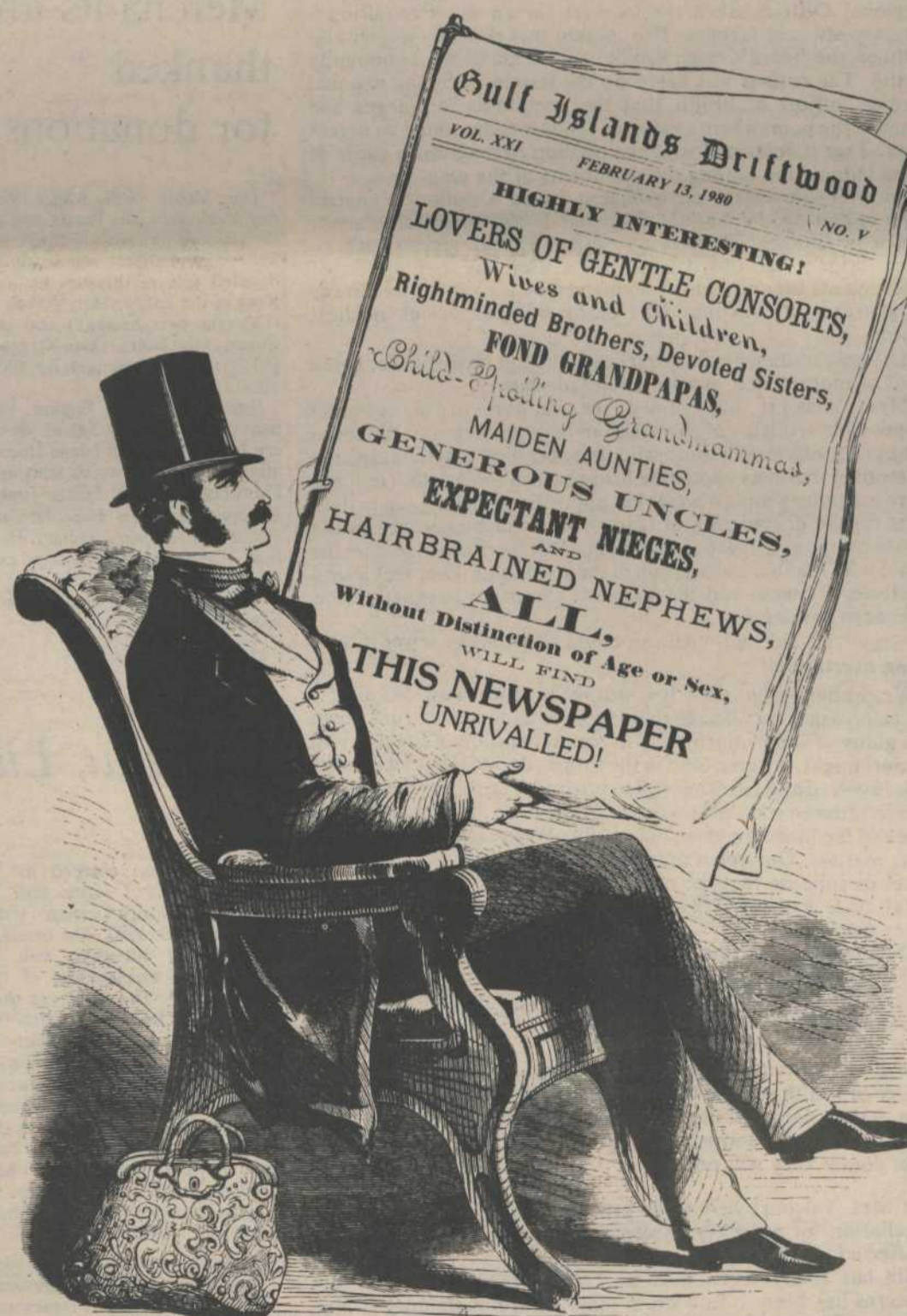
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## The future of Ganges

Regional director Yvette Valcourt is continuing her campaign for the close investigation of the manner in which the sewer scheme was launched in Ganges.

The Salt Spring Island regional director had called for a halt to all work in connection with the sewer while she awaited an interview with Municipal Affairs Minister Bill Vander Zalm. The interview over, last week she sought a further delay while she awaited an interview with the attorney-general.

It is time to look at the history of this project.

The petition was taken up several years ago and, then, challenged by Mrs. Valcourt. At that time she was a private citizen and prompted, one assumes, by only one interest: her own.

While the challenge to the petition was under way, the Capital Regional District asked the minister for an order requiring a sanitary sewer in Ganges. This request was perfectly proper and fulfilled the board's responsibility to safeguard the community health. The request was based on the statement by the regional medical officer of health that the conditions in Ganges had reached the point where a sanitary sewer was becoming an urgent need. That it coincided with the petition protest was a cause of some indignation among the opponents of the plan.

The minister of the environment issued a pollution control order requiring the Capital Regional Board to install a sewer system in Ganges. There is no normal appeal against such an order, largely because it has always been the assumption of governments that no right-thinking person is likely to protest the safeguarding of the community health by a responsible medical officer.

Designs, studies, appeals and other surveys have thus far cost a total of more than a quarter-million dollars.

Mrs. Valcourt has gained the support of many other responsible residents of the island in her opposition to the sewer project. In addition to those who share her view that the suspicion of monkey business should be brought into the bright, fresh air, there are those people who see her opposition as a back-up to their fears for the degradation of Ganges Harbour by sewage, should the discharge ever reach the harbour. And there are others on the island who find her a champion of the status quo. They seek a stop to all development and the Valcourt campaign is exactly what they were looking for.

"Stay!" we are told. "All this could result in the sewer project being overturned!"

We cannot accept that. It is neither practical nor logical.

The province may decide that someone unnamed and unknown was guilty of some impropriety in the preparation of the petition. A court might, at some time in the future, decide that evil persons were involved and send them all to prison for impressive lengths of time in order to warn others, in the future, that the penalty of sin is a lack of facilities to pursue the evil life. We are not speculating on these matters. Our concern is for the community.

Let us suppose that the majority of Salt Spring Island people are all tucked away in jail and the end of the campaign is in sight. What then?

Does condign punishment for the evildoer bring about a change of opinion on the part of a responsible medical officer? Will that worthy servant of an unworthy people promptly withdraw his condemnation of filth in local waters?

Of course he will not!

Will the provincial government, then, overrule the medical officer of health and declare that, because there proved to be evil men in this island paradise, the concern of the medical officer no longer carries any importance?

Of course they will not!

If Mrs. Valcourt were to be proven right in any degree at all, installation of a sewer system at Ganges would continue, unaffected.

Sin has always been with us. One of mankind's consistent concerns has been to find sin in other men. But sin doesn't plug sewers. It never has and it never will.

All of Salt Spring Island awaits the result of Mrs. Valcourt's campaign with great interest. But, in the meantime, the Capital Regional Board must go ahead with the project entrusted to it by the provincial government. These are two entirely separate issues.

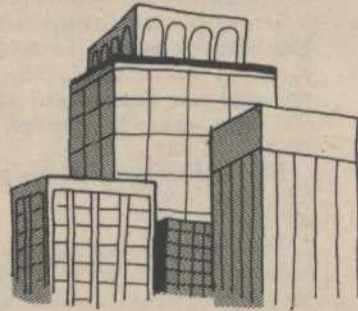
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LUCY MOORE,  
Ganges,  
February, 1980.

### Trudeau, Liberals defended

Sir,  
*Driftwood* has reached me in Montreal, and I write now in response to Patrick Tiernan's letter of January 16, 1980. The headline grabbed my attention, with its questionable employment of the word "guts". The word was used positively in connection with the Progressive Conservative Party of Canada. Is this an historical first?

Mr. Tiernan strongly asserts that Pierre Trudeau lacks intestinal fortitude (my mother forbade the overly florid word "guts"). I hold that the past decade gave Mr. Trudeau many opportunities to display his inner strength of character.

The reference to Marc Lalonde's "unwitting boast" was presumptuous. He is my capable representative in Ottawa, and I am certain that he had positive reasons for his statement regarding the two-year Liberal minority government.

Mr. Tiernan called the Liberals "masters at evolving gutless"

### Writer in Scotland adds comments to debate

Sir,  
Having read with interest the haggling over dog shooting and behaviour patterns of domestic dogs, I am compelled to add some factual comments on sheep worrying by dogs.

Firstly, any dog will worry, especially if it is in company with a bitch in heat. Behaviour patterns etc. can be forgotten. Dogs become worked up into a frenzy of killing and do not stop until exhausted or forceably restrained in some manner.

Dogs, unlike wild animals, are disgustingly easy to approach near their kill. However, the stalker must remember that they are more likely to turn on him/her, when disturbed than to run. The horrifying image of a child, instead of an armed adult, stumbling on them, springs readily to mind.

Dogs, soft or hard-mouthed, do not have to bite sheep to kill. If ewes in the later stages of preg-

nancy are harried, they will abort and will probably die of stress themselves. Even if they are not in-lamb, stress will kill, especially in the case of the less hardy, lowland breeds of sheep.

It is easy to shout down the agriculturalist, but I would remind you that the professional farmer, unlike the hobby farmer, has his capital tied up in his stock. I doubt if the critics of Mr. Akerman's actions have ever seen the carnage that dogs are capable of doing.

As a farmer, I'm sure that he also does not enjoy the odious task of dog destruction, or the necessary killing of stock which have e.g. been gutted alive by a pack.

A. D. CURRIE,  
Narrowfield,  
Campbeltown,  
Argyll,  
Scotland.  
January 29, 1980.

### Her call was not taken by local dispatcher

Sir,  
Last week you printed my letter in which I shared my ambivalent feelings in regards to the unsatisfactory manner in which a police dispatcher handled my call of distress.

I would like, at this time, to add an important detail that I neglected to include, and in doing so, may have pointed the finger of accusation at the wrong person.

The call that I made was at night and was handled by a dispatcher in Colwood, Vancouver Island, (as are all night calls) and not by a Ganges dispatcher.

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# Ban on leg-hold trap sought by animal protection group

Sir,  
The local Salt Spring Island newspaper, in its January 9 issue, gives an account of a couple walking along the beach and discovering two cats hung by snares as well as a baby racoon hanging suspended in the air with his foot crushed in a leg-hold trap. The couple, not having witnessed such gruesome sights before, assumed that some madman must be loose on the island. Further investigation revealed, however, that the atrocities were nothing more than the work of a registered trapper following his usual routine. Most people would react the same way as this couple did if they were to see the agonies suffered by Canadian wildlife in the present-day cruel traps used by trappers all across Canada.

The residents of Salt Spring Island were shocked to learn that trapping so close to residential areas was not illegal. The Association for the Protection of Fur-Bearing Animals has been waging a campaign for some years to have cruel trapping methods banned in B.C. but, so far, our pleas have been ignored by the provincial government. Last July, however, the City of Victoria and the District of Saanich both drew up bylaws prohibiting the use of cruel traps within those municipalities. Several other municipalities in B.C. have done the same.

On December 26, 1979, an ad was placed in the *Juan de Fuca News*, asking readers if they were losing chickens to coons and mink to "call Bob, licensed B.C. trapper". How many residents of Langford, Colwood and Metchosin would be happy to know that leg-hold traps and snares were

being set close to their homes, children and pets? (Keep in mind that there is no humane trap on the market yet). There may be trappers operating in other areas of the Capital Regional District as well.

Letters are now being sent to the CRB asking for a ban on cruel traps. If farmers are having problems with wildlife, they should contact the Fish and Wildlife Branch for the use of live box traps in which the animal can be caught and then transported to another area.

If you are living in the Capital Regional District and are concerned, write expressing your views to the board. There are more people against the use of the leg-hold trap than there are using it but, unless we ask for a ban, it will continue to be used by hobby-trappers in your area.

(Mrs.) VAL GISLASON,  
Vice-President,  
Association for the Protection of  
Fur-Bearing Animals,  
1805 Newton Street,  
Victoria.  
February 5, 1980.

# Enjoyment of film marred by noise

Sir,  
*Fiddler on the Roof* is a very good movie, and the response to it was gratifying. Unfortunately, the enjoyment of the film was marred by the behaviour of some of the many children who attended with their parents. This noise problem is a dilemma that I have been working on but haven't been able to solve. I have been hoping that parents would control their children, or not bring them at all if they are likely to cause problems.

This has not happened, so in future if there is excessive noise during a movie, the noisy persons will be asked to leave. People with babies must also be prepared to leave if their child's restlessness is causing a disturbance.

Thank you for your response to the movies. Your helpful suggestions are always greatly appreciated.

DAN EVANISHEN,  
Island Cinema,  
Ganges.  
February 11, 1980.

# SUCCINCT SUMMARY

By  
*The Anarchist*  
["Rules without Rulers"]

### Of Mythical Animals

Dear Rhinoceri;  
You cannot, with success, satirize stupidity if you are part of it; the result is merely more or less humorous, and always fails in any attempt to influence change. If the humour is good, the result will make people laugh and love the funny old system the more: if the humour is bad (much of yours is pretty thin), they will ignore you, but always with condescension, like children.

Each of you might have spent your energy to some effect in one of the existing political parties if that is your concern, or you may wish to check some sources. I would suggest you read *The Critique of Pure Tolerance* and *The Velvet Monkey Wrench*.

### Thoughts on the Gallup

Q. Mr. Prime Minister, what do you think of the current state of the polls?

A. They're all either Communist or Catholic or both, and they constitute a serious threat of foreign influence on Canada's success as a nation. Further, let me add that this is a matter to which my government is directing increasing attention.

### The First Person Plural

Politicians love to use the collective "we" as they propound solutions to our collective problems. For the benefit of the spectators, the following is a dictionary of current usage of the word.

The Conservative "we" means: You and I with all the differences which, I am certain, we have both come to recognize and accept.

The Liberal "we" means: On occasion "us", though more frequently, after me you come first.

The N.D.P. "we" means: All of us except Them.

The Communist "we" means: The Party.

The Rhino "we" means: Whee! as in what the hell.

The Anarchist "we" means: In this matter you and I share equal benefit and equal risk.

### Blood Sports

In the Gurka Regiment of the British Indian Army the soldier's knife, once drawn, was never returned to its sheath without drawing blood. If no suitable victim was found the soldier wet it with his own blood - institutional violence - but it should say something to our New Cold War Warriors Little Joe and Aunt Flora, but:

Joe likes being the General in his new toy soldier game  
Pierre would rather be King  
Ed likes Jimmy's toy soldiers  
The Anarchist knows there are no toy soldiers.

### Lake What

They have had to make snow for the past month in order to stage the Winter Olympics at Lake Placid, (can the name be a co-incidence?) Forgive me, all this time I thought they were making snow in order not to stage the Summer Olympics in Moscow.

### The Vote is the Voter

Q. If you anarchists are so down on political parties would you ever bother to vote?

A. Yes, but with certain basic conditions:

1. An anarchist would always vote on any direct question of law or policy since they define the community and his part in it.
2. An anarchist would vote for a candidate to administer law and policy established by direct vote.
3. An anarchist would *not* vote for a candidate whose function is to make laws.

Faced with the existing ballot the anarchist would write in his own name. He believes that only the individual can legislate because the individual is responsible, and not necessarily obedient.

By now the stumbling Election Special has found its focus in the growing tension "out there" in the wicked world where "we" and "us" conduct vicarious feats of derring-do and defiance against "them".

In this latter day *Bonanza*, Little Joe, Hoss Crosbie and his tired steed, Budget, and the Boys, shiny new toy gunsablazin' with blanks, ride off in all directions pursuing safe targets, while Aunt Flora spends her days on the party line opening and closing embassy cupboards looking for strangers dying for passports (as long as they apply in English).

Brother Pierre, speaking from Sanctuary, claims the whole thing lacks the proper planning which alone would ensure success, and Cousin Ed, the Issue Man, of all people, says "Leave it to JC-Carter that is - he's O.K." Stirring stuff!!

Meanwhile, back at the ranch, the fire's going out, there's snow in the woodbox, kindly ol' Doc has upped the payments and is threatening to foreclose the mortgage on our national health and longevity; Uncle Sam monotonously warns us against taking candy from strangers while he continues to embezzle the family inheritance, and Emma and Charlie have moved back home 'cause they ran out of unemployment, got no jobs and can't afford the rent in town.

Cousin Peckford, the Newfie one, fresh from the miracle of the Banks, says it's OK to mix oil and water, but watinhells this idea of mixing corn likker with gasoline and putting it in your car. Says Peck: "That's Screech, By, don't drive it: drink it!"

Cousin Loughheed, the well-endowed one, hears the word "banks", and says, "I own 'em."

Cousin Davis says something unprintable.

Cousin Ryan says something significant which none of the others understand.

Cousin Willie, the awkward one from the west coast, says something insignificant about "don't forget to fix your expense account".

The Indians, fed up with the script, want a new contract and file a claim on the set, and more threatening yet. Through all of this Pa is nowhere to be found; there is even a growing suspicion that he may be dead.

But gee, Viewers, ain't it great to have heroes.



According to a CBC newscast, the Saskatchewan government has been allowed to continue with sales of \$150 million worth of uranium to Russia, while being ordered to cut back on its grain shipments.

- Seascan newsletter

# ELECTION LIMERICKS

Sir,  
Two off-the-cuff limericks(?!):  
Rub a dub dump, three men on the stump  
Edward, Pierre and old Joe,  
Ideals, Arrogance  
to incompetence,  
What a way for the country to go.  
My vote's for the Parti Rhinoceros.

Jeff Murray

(More letters on Page Six)



# Tony Richards

I THINK THERE'S enough mention of next week's election elsewhere in this paper that I don't need to go into it at any great length here.

Not that I have strong views about it anyway. None of the parties, as far as I'm concerned, has shown itself to be deserving of my undying loyalty. Provincially, it would be a different matter altogether.

However, one thing that sticks in my mind with regard to news coverage of this campaign is a wire service story that appeared recently in a Victoria daily.

It was, I believe, from Canadian Press and its lack of objectivity was unforgivable.

The story described the "bizarre and extraordinary" increase in popularity for the New Democratic Party in Canada. And, it read, what is even "more astonishing" is the NDP is taking support from the Conservatives.

The quotation marks are mine. There weren't any in that story, nor did it credit any particular person with having made those statements. It was nothing more than the expression of opinion by both the newspaper and the wire service.

And people have been known to accuse us of not being impartial...

I HAD TO HAVE an interpretation from my five-year-old son the other day before I knew what his younger brother was talking about when he asked when we were going "shell-clamping".

What he wanted to know was when were we going clam-digging.

IF NATURAL GAS is anything like propane as a source of energy, a pipeline to Vancouver Island may be exceedingly beneficial. As for the latter, I'm sold on it.

We bought a three-burner cook-top propane stove (sans oven) exactly one year ago. At the same time we purchased a 100-lb. tank and filled it for \$25.

We have used the stove almost every day for the past year, two or three times a day during the summer.

And the tank hasn't run out yet. If you were to do a cost-benefit analysis, comparing it to our wood-burning cookstove, you'd probably find the propane cheaper.

Even if you cut all your firewood by hand, the cost of files to keep the bucksaw or bow saw sharp would probably be higher than the propane.

BEEN IN THE ladies' washroom at the Tsawwassen ferry terminal recently? If you have, you probably saw the graffiti about television.

"Resist media brainwashing. Think for yourself: destroy your TV set," read the inscription. Alongside it was a drawing of a TV set with a swastika on the screen.

And below that someone else had written: "Isn't there some disparity between telling people to think for themselves and then ordering them to destroy their TV sets?"

OUR DOWN THROUGH The Years column doesn't go back long enough that we can include the following little bit of history. And the only local feature of it is that the person mentioned is a long-time Salt Spring resident.

The reference to Bill DeLong of Fernwood appeared in the Yesteryears column of a recent issue of the Fort William, Ont., *Times-Journal*. It was under the heading, 50 Years Ago.

"The Ontario department of agriculture awarded short course trips to the Ontario Agriculture College to the two winners in the Fort William Potatoe Club.

"William Oakley and William DeLong, both of Slate River Valley, won the honours."

The former member of the Potatoe Club (I don't know where they got the extra 'e') has achieved renown locally for his horticultural accomplishments.



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# More letters to the editor

*Parents should have right to see what children are taught* 'Strange mentality' behind nuclear plan

Sir,  
I have just read with disgust Mr. Davidson's letter entitled "Parents freedom to visit classes would be impossible".

He states he is the father of four children and an "ex" teacher. Thank God he is an "ex", hopefully he remains just that.

Obviously his children are not of adult age as yet, judging by his maligning of parents by saying "what of mentally unstable parents, drunk parents, parents in our jails and institutions etc. etc."

Is he totally oblivious of our society in which parents and older people are almost totally portrayed as incompetent, foolish and their life's experience, knowledge and wisdom is nil.

People like Mr. Davidson do no good for either the children or parents.

Undoubtedly his type help in creating the so-called "generation gap", etc.

No wonder our young people have little respect for elders and cannot benefit any knowledge from elders when they are constantly being taught by schools, T.V., movies and all communications, that their parents are not to be looked up or listened to, or to learn from their elders' experience and knowledge.

As a parent of four adult children, I can recall when our children were in high school and on one occasion when I was speaking to the principal of their school, when he told me that he was fully aware that our whole educational system was 50 years behind our time, and we definitely agree.

Parents should and must have the right to see and know what and how their children are being taught.

In this school system of ours we do not need Mr. Davidson's type to slander parents in any event for in our society we have far, far too much of this done already.

What is there left here for young people to look up to anyway?

Would these same young people think it worthwhile to be parents themselves some day in view of what they have been learning about their older generation?

Mr. Davidson should be speaking this way about himself only and not slander all parents which creates most harm to the children and their future relationships with their parents and elders.

Our educational system hardly prepares our young people in any way for life. They have to learn on their own despite the rift and conflict and confusion that is created for them in the schools and the mass media, etc.

Most of our teachers need more of the right kind of education than the students themselves do for obvious reasons.

**Mrs. H. CROSBY,**  
Box 675, Ganges.  
February 7, 1980.

## Workshop is planned

The Gulf Islands School Board is planning a joint trustees-principals workshop.

Despite the pleas of Jim Ripley to keep the event within the islands, the board approved the staging of the workshop at Qualicum.

It was reported that at Fulford there was no room at the Inn, but no reference was made to other locations.

In a prepared outline of the project the board was shown the cost "assuming you go along with 1,2,3 and 4," it was stated. There was no indication of what the numbers referred to.

Sir,  
It was just a week or two ago that we were driving to Seattle to see Bob Dylan in concert. It has been a long time since I've driven that way and after travelling through different countryside we came to a crest of a rolling hill and there lay before us the kind of a valley that John Steinbeck could make come live in his writing. Now I don't mean about the people living there because we didn't stop, but just because of its beauty - it was so vast and alive with green. There were little farms here and there and a river ambling through and away in the distance rocky, snow-capped mountains. It was a precious sight to see. We drove further and it was then that I saw a sign-post saying Sedro-Wooley. Now it's on that precious earth that some men have wanted to put a nuclear plant or maybe even two. It reminded me, yet again, of what a strange mentality that is that I thought it worth mentioning once more.

It seems fitting, because as I say we were on our way to see Dylan that I should close this letter with a quote from a song of his...

"Now there's spiritual warfare  
Flesh and blood breaking down  
You've either got faith or you've got unbelief  
and there ain't no neutral ground"

**G. SHUGAR,**  
Beaver Point.  
February, 1980.

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**G. W. HARPER,**  
District Highways Manager  
Ministry of Transportation & Highways  
Saanich District Office

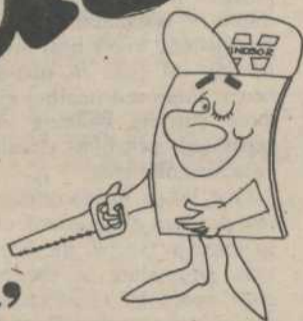
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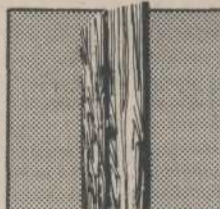
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*Regional campaign meets opposition*

# Energy conservation voted out by region

**BY FRANK RICHARDS**

Drive towards a regional program of energy conservation died on the spot when the Capital Regional Board examined it last week.

Engineering department of the region proposed that the district launch a plan for energy management throughout the region.

Committee chairman R. S. Wright gave it short shrift.

Anybody can switch off a light, he told the engineers. He expressed

particular hostility to any suggestion that the region press to have energy conservation measures written into the building code. There are too many restrictions already, he told the department.

The regional district is in a position to assume a leadership role in energy management, said the report. It urged an inventory of energy for the years 1990 and 2030, in order that the likely gap between needs and supplies can be assessed and met.

There is an urgent need, the engineering department reminded the board.

It is highlighted by the unilateral decision of B.C. Hydro to cut off power supplies at peak hours to consumers in the Shelbourne area of Saanich.

**CAVALIER APPROACH**

The cavalier approach of Hydro to its lack of power could be improved by public awareness, debate and co-operation, suggested the report.

The directors were invited to consider improvements accomplished in the United States by improved insulation and windows, establishing lower heat levels and turning off heat in non-working hours, improved heating systems, more efficient building lighting, separated switching circuits and switching off lights.

Free buses to discourage automobiles had also proved effective in some instances, the board was told. Upgrading of the building code would be effective and the design and planning of car parking and freeways has a considerable influence on energy conservation.

The key is getting people involved, it was stated.

**ENERGY CODE**

The program envisaged an energy code for all new construction, requiring minimum standards of insulation and energy consumption. These would be written into regional codes.

The report listed a number of recommendations to fill the coding gap between supplies and demands. The building code improvements were seen as one measure. Development of a viable heat pump and the installation of a generating plant using solid wastes as fuel were the major proposals.

Five recommendations were made to the board.

While directors anxiously looked for methods of avoiding facing up to energy problems, the chairman found the escape route.

The board has no mandate to deal with energy problems, he explained.

The possibility of the board taking a lead was as dead as mutton.

Directors were not prepared to blandly ignore the whole thing, as the chairman had invited. They sorted out the recommendations, one by one.

The first two were termed "motherhood" issues and approved. No one could be faulted for agreeing that they endorse the concept of energy management.

Although they had agreed that they were in provincial territory, the directors also approved the adoption of a leadership role in launching conservation practices throughout the region.

**OUT COLD**

Out cold were recommendations to include energy conservation in the building code. The establishment of a citizens' advisory committee on energy conservation was rejected. As director Howard Sturrock explained, any citizen is free

*Drainage study*

Drainage study in Ganges has come to a halt as the Ganges sewer project has been halted by regional director Yvette Valcourt.

Collection of field data has been completed, directors learned last week.

Ground profile data will be established in conjunction with the sewer project.

to give advice without such a committee.

The directors were not against conserving energy. The chairman summed it up:

"Energy conservation is a great thing, but to make it mandatory and change the code is another matter."

It was.

Jim Campbell pointed out that the board cannot shrug off everything on to the municipalities because there are 40,000 residents who live outside a municipality.

The directors then turned their attention from the future to the past and considered the Clover Point sewage outlet again.

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**This week at Fernwood School**

It's been another busy week at the school as we move towards the middle of the second term.

The wet weather has hampered further development of the grounds but Mr. Marsh informs me that plans are under way to construct a walk-way around the school from the main entrances to the student entrances. For the younger set, the swings will be completed in the very near future.

**CRAFT PROGRAM**

The craft program for grades 1-4 is into its third week of operation. The program runs every Friday afternoon and involved the children in activities such as needlework, macrame, knitting, puppetry, cookery and wood-working.

A great big thank you to Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Severn for their organization and to Mr. Wright and the many enthusiastic parent volunteers for their hard work on behalf of our students.

**PARENT MEETING**

A social evening was held recently for the staff and parents. The excuse for the informal get-together was an evening of art activities. Mr. Marsh wishes to thank Mr. Holbrook for organizing the activities and donating the time and effort on behalf of our

Parents Association. By the way, the next meeting will be on February 27 when the main topic will be an update on the adventure playground.

**PARENTS BAND AUXILIARY**

This committee wishes to announce that there will be a fashion show featuring Carolee's Fashions on February 25. Tickets at \$2.50 are available from band students and proceeds will be used to purchase band uniforms and assist in travel. The show will be held in the high school gym.

**BASKETBALL**

Teams continue to practice hard and games against Salt Spring Elementary School have already been played. By all reports the games were hard-fought, enjoyable affairs. This week girls' and boys' teams will travel to Mayne Island to engage in friendly competition. Way to go, Flyers.

Never a dull moment around here! Latest idea is to try to teach the grades 6 and 7 students how to dance. Talk about a challenge! First two classes have already been taken and by now "slow, slow, quick, quick, slow" are starting to mean something.

A certain principal who shall

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### Who's for Ottawa now?

## We'll all know, come Monday

BY FRANK RICHARDS

Who's for Ottawa?

One party is. One candidate from here is. The election resulted from the unexpected defeat of the Clark government. And they are indignant. By what right did the opposition throw them out? Will they go back? Should they go back?

The budget was not the issue. It was the anvil over which the government was hammered. But a flexible approach on the part of the government might well have put off defeat.

It didn't, however, and the course is laid out. It can only be a choice of Liberal or Conservative. In Ottawa.

The choice lies between the pleasant, good-natured Joe Clark and his powerful ministers and the powerful Pierre Trudeau and his pleasant, good-natured ministers.

What are the issues?

Oil is one. Oil is scarce and getting scarcer. That's a fact of Canadian life. The scarce commodity is expensive. That's the fact of every economy.

#### HOLE IN THE GROUND

Oil comes out of the ground, where it has gathered value for millions of years, and is pumped into Canadian home and automobile, Canadian industry and airplane until there is only a hole in the ground.

The next government is faced with a policy of conservation, not price. The Clark government showed a strong awareness of the price factor. And juggled with various methods of dismantling Petrocan, Canada's frontman on the international gas station.

Oil or war?

Both senior candidates for power are concerned with defence and the armed forces.

The Tories are more aggressively defensive than the Grits. Or perhaps more defensively aggressive. But there's not a lot of difference.

Are we itching to release the dogs of war? Most of us are not. If there is to be a world conflict over oil the fuel will probably be all burned off before war is in high gear. And include us right out! It is possible that the Conservatives could be more hawkish than the Liberals because many of the high-ranking Tories are Big Brother Bill to Bay St.

#### NOT ISSUES

But it is not an election of issues. It is a campaign of non-issues.

Who do we hate most? Vote him out!

And who do we vote out?

We'll all know on Monday.

But in the meantime we are still watching the hustings, hearing the hymns of hate and left to wonder whether this is the ultimate method of fulfilling the destiny of a modern, technological nation, approaching the close of the 20th century.

If history is destined to regard us with awe and esteem it won't be our fault.

The nation has been a little put off by the Conservatives they swept into marginal power last summer. The record of indecision, uncertainty and hesitation is fine for the little man, but he expects more from his masters.

It may well prove that the Tories could get Trudeau elected when the Liberals couldn't.

That's the way it looks. Just like another Liberal government.

With a Conservative from Cowichan, Malahat and the Islands.

At least, that's the way it looks to me!

## Fernwood School News

From Page eight

remain nameless was coaxed into the act last week because we were short of boys. I must say he looks a lot more convincing with a basket ball or a hockey stick in his hands rather than one of the grade 6 girls. Oops! Hope he doesn't read these columns! If I don't show up tomorrow, you'll know why!

main notice board. It features some of the work produced by the parents on the recent successful art evening. What a talented bunch of parents!

As we close this week we look forward to another busy week as the Vancouver Opera Society visits us, as do the RCMP Safety Bear and a Coast Guard team. More news on these events next week from your friendly Fernwood reporter.

David Eremner

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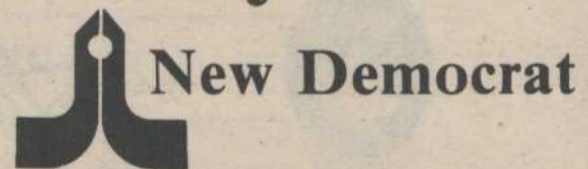


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NOTICE is hereby given that all persons who deem their interest in property affected by the following proposed By-law will be afforded an opportunity to be heard on the matters contained therein at a Public Hearing to be held in the Community School Building, North Pender Island, on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1980, commencing at 8:00 p.m.

Proposed North Pender Island Trust Committee By-law No. 11, (being Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1, 1980), is a By-law to amend North Pender Island Trust Committee By-law No. 5 cited as "Zoning By-law, North Pender Island, 1978" as follows:

- i) By changing the zoning classification of Parcel "C", DD 698641, Section 18, North Pender Island, Cowichan District, from the Rural 1 Zone to the Industrial Zone, as shown on Plan No. 1 attached to and forming part of the By-law.
- ii) By changing the zoning classification of a portion of Lot 4, Plan 1377, Section 23, North Pender Island, Cowichan District, from the Industrial Zone to the Settlement 2 Zone as shown shaded on Plan No. 2 which forms part of the By-law.
- iii) By designating Parcel "C", DD 698641, Section 18, North Pender Island, Cowichan District as a Development Permit Area pursuant to Section 702AA (2a) of the Municipal Act. The boundaries of the Development Permit Area are shown on Plan No. 3 which forms part of the By-law.

Location: Port Washington Road, North Pender Island

The proposed By-law may be reviewed at the General Store, Port Washington, B.C. between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., every weekday. A copy of the proposed By-law may also be reviewed at the Islands Trust Office, 848 Courtney Street, Victoria, B.C., during normal working hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive.

M. LEE,  
 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

# World's suffering is caused by lack of concern for others

**BY MARY C. WILLIAMSON**  
 First, an apology. I made a grievous error last week. The Ten Days Wednesday evening events take place in the high school staff room at 7.45 pm not 6.45 pm. Mea culpa!

I'm glad we braved the fog to see *My Country Occupied*. It's a moving story of a young Guatemalan woman whose husband worked for the United Fruit Company. This U.S.-owned multinational farms huge tracts of land in Guatemala, paying workers 20c. a day. (a pint of milk costs 40c.)

It took the young couple five years to save enough to pay a priest to marry them. Meanwhile, their child died of starvation. The small coffin was an elaborate obscenity, and although I'm sure it was a rented shell, someone obviously made money from the pathetic funeral. The priest preaches resignation, poverty being punishment for sin!

When Oaxaca de Mejia and her husband moved to the city to better themselves, he found a job in a slaughterhouse. For nine hours a night, "processing" more than 300 beasts (all but the guts are exported), he was paid the princely sum of \$1. There was great unrest in the city, with a curfew and military patrols. Miguel was arrested for his part in a workers' protest, and by the end of the movie his wife still had no idea of whether he was dead or alive.

**BEARING ARMS**

She returned to the village to find the women much influenced by the ferment. They were getting together, talking and, in many cases, bearing arms alongside their men. Oaxaca, a young, obedient, God-fearing housewife at the beginning of the movie, becomes an embittered guerrilla, no longer convinced it is God's will that Americans should use Guatemalan land, labour and produce simply as a source of supply for the U.S.A.

I will certainly look twice at Chiquita bananas in future and wonder why they cost so much when the growers only get 20c. a day!

I saw *Fiddler on the Roof* again and still felt like an interloper in this tremendous dialogue between Teyve and his God. If we only had that awareness of God's presence the world would take a different turn. Evil and suffering all stem from the lack of awareness of God.

**MURDERING THEIR CARS**

We were aroused from sleep this morning (Sunday, 6.15 am) by two groups of young people murdering their cars at the Central intersection. The screams of agony from the tortured machines were almost as unnerving as the cries of dying cattle in the Guatemalan movie. How can people treat expensive hardware so? (Not to mention those who live in the vicinity! Rev. Fred Anderson used to say the streets of Ganges were paved not with gold, but with rubber! Progress means it has now spread to Central!)

We have lost two posters from our property in the last week. This infringement of political freedom begins so early. My daughter tells me of a schoolmate who asserts that those who vote N.D.P. are "lower class". Well of course it's funny, but sad too. Not that ignorant children say such things, but that they say them in order to hurt.

If God were real to us we wouldn't lie, cheat, steal or hurt our fellow creatures in any of the ways we now employ.

## More Food for Thought

**LACK OF CONCERN**

These grievances are petty compared to starvation and war, but it's the same lack of concern for others which causes all the world's suffering. This lack of concern cannot prevail when God is real.

Patricia Clarke of the United Church *Observer* writes: "I'm looking at a picture of Joel Filartiga ... 17 ... kidnapped and tortured to death by Paraguayan military police." His crime? His doctor father opposed the government. A three-year-old girl was undressed by the Chilean police, whipped, immersed in ice water and whipped again ... four times a day for four days. In Ethiopia a thousand children, aged 11 to 13, were massacred on suspicion they were about to demonstrate against the government. All these activities during the International Year of the Child are listed by Amnesty International, Box 6033, Station J, Ottawa.

**WRITE**

What can we do? "Write the minister of external affairs. Say you want Canada to press all the countries with which it deals to live up to the U.N. Declaration of Human Rights, and to stop making deals with those that don't. If you learn that a company of which you are a shareholder or a customer does business in a country that tortures children, write the president and tell him what you think ... For example, six Canadian banks, Noranda Mines, Falconbridge Nickel and Bata Shoes have invest-

ments in Chile. Does the security of those investments depend on whipping three-year-old children?"  
 God isn't dead. Some of us are just dead to His Presence.

Wednesday, February 13:  
 "Making A Living."  
 February 20: "Why Work?"

## Work stoppage sought

From Page One  
 to extend a resolution of the board, commented Sturrock.

The work may proceed if the contractors wish to continue their survey, agreed chairman Robert Wright.

**OBLIGATION**

The board has an obligation to continue the work unless there is some very significant cause to do otherwise, observed Campbell.

"The case for further suspension has to be very much greater next time than it was last time," he warned.

Director Valcourt was not aware that a contract had been issued in respect of the Ganges sewer. She learned that a firm of land surveyors is carrying out the final checks on levels.

It is a project essential to the design of the sewers, explained Campbell.

"We still have outstanding an order from the Pollution Control Board to put in a sewer system," he reminded the committee. "The only challenge is whether that particular outfall will be approved."

There is no challenge to the collection system.

Would the board authorize further expenditures while grave matters are being discussed, asked Valcourt.

**THEY WILL SUFFER**

The local community will suffer the consequences, interjected a director.

"That remains to be seen" retorted the spokesman for the island community.

The motion to call the board's attention to the grave matters of Ganges was defeated.

The board chairman warned director Valcourt that the board will need substance.


"If you want to have a motion that flows from the meeting with the attorney-general, we should have a communication from the attorney-general's office," he told her.

The stop order is not going to work if there isn't clarity and it won't work merely on director Valcourt's belief that there has been an irregularity, he continued.


There has to be substance, agreed Howard Sturrock.

"See if they vote on an emotional basis," commented Chairman Wright. "They did before!"

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**NOTICE OF MEETING**

There will be a meeting of the North Pender Island Trust Committee to consider various items of business concerning North Pender Island at the conclusion of the Public Hearing on February 28, 1980, in the Community School Building, North Pender Island.

M. LEE,  
 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

### Massage therapy

*It gives feeling of well-being and has medical value too*



BY BRIAN SOBER

A relaxed and easy-going lifestyle is the dream of many people who come to make the Gulf Islands their home. Yet living here may produce the same mental and physical strains that urban-dwellers experience. And the use of drugs is too often the panacea for the problem of being unable to relax.

Scientific massage is a means of achieving the same relaxation associated with physical exercises such as yoga, but in the case of massage, it is the therapist who does all the work.

Relax? you might ask. Mental and physical fatigue after a hard day's work can also be relieved with a stimulating massage. According to Barbara Falot of Woodland Drive, Salt Spring Island, there is a difference between a relaxing massage and a stimulating massage.

#### TONES BODY AND MIND

Barbara, as a qualified massage practitioner, gives both types. The stimulating massage, she said tones the body and mind so the patient can overcome fatigue.

Barbara has been practising massage therapy on Salt Spring Island since December. She graduated last August from the Canadian College of Massage and Hydrotherapy in Ontario where she studied for nearly one year.

Her interest in massage first began almost 13 years ago as she watched a therapist help restore the muscle functions in her brother's leg.

Massage is a reliable means of treating fractures and sprains, back strains, and can provide temporary relief of arthritic pain.

Another therapeutic massage is reflexology, where the practitioner uses his thumbs to knead the patients feet. In her spare time at

school Barbara took a separate course in reflexology, and offers this treatment also to island residents.

She said that with every person she treats she learns something of the art of massage; an art which must be practised with the hands, the mind and the heart.

#### IN A QUIET LOFT

Barbara works out of a comfortable quiet loft which, from a high ridge in the Mobrae subdivision, looks out over the wooded slopes that gradually drop down to Stuart Channel.

Her preference is that patients go there for their therapy, as there is no phone or other disturbance to interrupt her work. In the case of an invalid she would make a house call, she said.

The first visit is a getting-to-know-you session which takes approximately 1½ hours. Then each ensuing massage is a half-hour long as particular areas of tension and need have already been established.

The feeling of well-being that follows lasts for days, but it is the medical value that is most important. Basically, massage stimulates muscles and blood circulation, returns stagnant blood to the heart, rids the legs of old blood and renews the supply with new blood pumped in by the heart.

#### FOR STIFFENING JOINTS

Massage is especially helpful to older people who suffer from stiffening joints. This is best explained in literature that Barbara provides for her patients.

"As the masseur moves muscles he moves joints through their range of motion as well. Because joints have a relatively poor blood supply normally and in the aging it is even further reduced, we see how vital to health activity, mass-

age and full range of motion can be."

So massage can benefit persons from all walks of life in a variety of ways. However, Barbara admits there are certain conditions under which a person shouldn't have a massage. Anyone with high blood pressure or a history of heart trouble cannot be treated.

#### NOT HER FIELD

Diagnosing and prescribing is not her field, she added, though she may prescribe a certain exercise and a visit to a doctor.

"I have no qualms about admitting that I don't have the knowledge to treat some patients. In some circumstances I prefer it if the person visits a doctor before trying massage."

Medical referrals from physicians are covered by the B.C. Medical Plan. Unlike the private patient, the medical referral patient receives a half-hour treatment during the first visit. She explained that the referral is usually for a specific ailment only.

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# SPORTS

## KICK-OFF

### Many different approaches to scoring shown by island teams

Soccer is a game made up of many integral parts, one being the fine art of scoring goals. In fact, it is probably the most important part of soccer because scoring tends to correlate with winning rather well. Last weekend Salt Spring's many teams showed many different approaches to scoring, some successful, others not.

On Saturday the Strikers utilized a system which relies heavily on strong wingers. The object is to feed the wingers, have the ball carried forward and then centred for their strikers to finish off. It is a very basic form of attack, and for the Strikers, it worked very effectively as they upset the league leaders 4-3.

The Selects, who also played on Saturday, used a different approach, relying more on individual play. Their forwards were attempting to carry the ball as far as they could and then pass to a team-mate. Although it failed in last weekend's game it has worked well in most of their games this year.

#### FINEST BRAND

The Kicks' game on Saturday saw probably the finest brand of offensive soccer on the island as they humbled Gorge 14-0. Their approach utilizes a tic-tac-toe style of passing, working the ball to the person who is open, primarily their two target men, Paul Cottrell and Sean Logan.

Sunday's games featured two more local teams in two close games.

#### Salt Spring Sockeyes, 1; Juan de Fuca, 2

The local girls could not make it two victories in a row on the road but played solidly in an unlucky loss. Bad breaks proved costly for the local girls as they scored once into their own goal and Juan de Fuca's other goal came from a corner-kick that slipped into the goal through a mass of players.

In reality the Sockeyes' goal was a rather lucky affair also as a Brenda Akerman shot bounced in off Denise de la Franiere's knees. For Denise it was her first goal of the season and well deserved on her improved play in recent weeks.

#### BRIGHT SPOTS

Two bright spots for the Sockeyes have been the improved play of their two rookies and the solid play of their defence. Cara Cruickshank and Geraldine Hagan are the two 13-year-old rookies and considering they are competing in an 18 and over division, they are doing well just being on the field. In recent weeks their play has improved tremendously and they have greatly assisted in the Sockeyes' resurgence.

The defence, anchored by the sound play of Susan Spencer, looks steadier each game out and should get stronger with experience.

The Sockeyes' approach to scoring is the same as the Strikers' but they lack two essential elements. One, they don't have a

gunner, a player with the drive and hunger to score goals and secondly, the team fails to shoot enough.

They proved, in their only win, that when you shoot enough the goals soon come.

#### Salt Spring Savages, 1; Victoria West, 2.

The Savages tried a new approach to this game and although the win eluded them the local squad played Vic West on equal terms.

The Savages came up with a new defence, utilizing their four-man wall but added a sweeper-back in Arne Wengstler. Arne and his two mid-field compatriots, Alan Webb and Trevor Tamboline, had excellent games and the new defensive format solidified their defence tremendously.

#### DOWN THE WINGS

Offensively the Savages went with five forwards in an attempt to get goals. The team tries to retain ball control while forming most of their attacks down the wings. Poor finishing was their downfall as the local squad had several excellent chances.

Dave Toynbee showed a lot of improvement up front and with time this new format should create more problems for opposing defences. Trevor Tamboline scored the lone Savage goal, his first of the season, as he slipped home a fine cross from Lewis Cornwall.

Next week District Cup play begins in some of our divisions and I will try to outline our spring schedule for our many participants and fans.

## Down the Gutter with Ken Collins

It was nice to see one of our lower-average bowlers coming up with a nice triple. Mary Simpson, who carries a 144 average, came through with a 580.

This week also saw the first 800 triple of the season from the ladies: Carol Kaye had 846. Other good scores of the week came from myself with 849 and 856; Joan Badesso, 755; Terry Jenkins, 708-778; Leo Toutant, 773; Joan Collins, 785; and Michael Kelly, 731.

Three hundred games came from myself with 300-305-326; Joan Badesso, 306; Carol Kaye, 308; and Joan Collins, 300.

Bowlers of the week were Carol Kaye and this writer.

We have lost three bowlers in the men's league due to their having to go off-island to complete a logging contract. So if anyone would like to finish off the season, which will be approximately another 11 weeks, please phone me or contact the bowling alley. By the way, the men's league bowls every Monday night at nine.

Nice to see Mike Kelly coming through with a big 361 in the Thursday night league. We threatened him with his transfer papers if he didn't smarten up. What you have to do as captain of the team to get people to bowl good! Only kidding, Mike. Where could I find someone who can keep score as well as you. Wish you didn't smoke so much, though.

#### Tip Of The Week

Don't try to bust the pins: A nice medium-paced ball gets a better mixing action.

#### Y.B.C. NEWS

We are pleased to announce the winners in our Four Steps to Stardom Tournament.

#### Bantam Division

Single Girl, Shannon Taylor.  
Team, Girls: Jodie Harrison, Jennifer Lacey, Laura Little, Jennifer Anderson, Leanne Simpkin.

The girls are to bowl at the Wilson Bowl-A-Drome in Esquimalt on February 24 in the second step to Stardom, the zone playoffs. Good luck, girls!

#### Junior Division

Single Girl, Denise Harrison.  
Single Boy, Charles Rose.

Team, Girls: Dawn Guilbault, Debbie Anderson, Jayna Adthead, Teresa Wagg, Melissa Farrell.

The juniors are to bowl at the Town and Country Lanes in Victoria on February 24.

#### Senior Division

Single Girl, Trisha Westcott.  
Single Boy, Kevin Noble.

Team, Boys: Steve Corcoran, Marvin Foerster, Danny Fraser, Jim Fraser, Kevin Kline.

Seniors bowl on February 17 at the Ladysmith Bowl-A-Drome.

Best of luck to all our bowlers. We'd like to see them win the zone finals and go on to compete in the provincial finals.

Best individual scorers for February 2 were as follows.

Jets: Clinton Helfrich, 93; Kristina Calver, 56.

Pee Wee's: Christine Spencer, 110; Deanna Little, 104; Tanya Slingsby, 93; Paul Hatch, 107; Arlys Stratholt, 103.

Bantams: Kim Jorgenson, 162; Lisa Jorgenson, 160; Jennifer Lacey, 151; Kurt Sadler, 163; Bryan Farrell, 121; Drew Ripley, 117.

Juniors: Denise Harrison, 204; Christine Rush, 170; Danica West, 154; Charles Rose, 139.

Seniors (January 30): Trisha Westcott, 201; Alex Hele, 201; Cindy Corcoran, 154; Kevin Noble; Danny Fraser, 269; Marvin Foerster, 252.

Seniors (February 6): Cindy Corcoran, 218; Alex Hele, 192; Janet Foerster, 185; Gordon Hitchcock, 287; Kevin Noble, 279; Kevin Kline, 263.

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## Short-handed Gorge loses to Salt Spring Kicks

#### Contributed

Salt Spring Kicks, 14;

Gorge Royals, 0.

Two of the regular Kicks players were away on Saturday, so the team had no spares. Gorge was short quite a few players, and had only nine boys, two short of a full team.

The Kicks' players who scored were Paul Cottrell (6), Sean Logan (4), Graham Lee (2), Andrew Hoeller (1) and Peter Coates (1).

Gorge did have some break-aways, especially during the first 15 minutes of the game, but the pressure of being short of players wore the team down, and for most of the time the Gorge players were contained in their own half.

Although the opposition was considerably weakened, that did not detract from the game the Kicks played. They moved the ball in picture-book fashion; individual skills were strongly in evidence; ball control was first-rate; in all, the team-work was a delight to watch. When the Kicks are at their best, when they play this kind of game, as they have done several times this season, then it is obvious that very little separates them from the A division.

#### CONSISTENCY

However, they lack consistency. They have a need for tighter

discipline. Above all, they lack faith in themselves. These are qualities that will come, given time, care and good coaching.

But a great deal of admiration must be reserved for the Kicks' opponents, the Gorge Royals. The Royals moved up into Division 4B with the Kicks last September. In the 1978-79 season the Kicks and the Royals fought tooth and nail for the leadership of Division 5C.

This season, when Gorge moved up to 4B, the best players on their team were taken over by another Gorge team moving into the A division. The 4B team was left undermanned. However, the team manager, Frank Rushton, managed to put together a team. The players were mostly short on experience and playing skills.

Consistently, the team has met defeat. But despite such punishment, and despite difficulty in getting a regular coach, Frank Rushton has managed to keep the team alive.

Most of the boys have turned out regularly, as nine of them did on Saturday. Those nine boys kept playing for most of the game, even though the score against them was overwhelming. They and their team manager are to be congratulated for that kind of courage.

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**SPORTS**

# Strikers are victorious over unbeaten Lansdowne Mavericks

BY STRICK AUST  
Salt Spring, 4; Lansdowne, 3.

Last Saturday the Salt Spring Strikers faced their most important challenge of this season's schedule. The day offered ideal soccer weather, dry and warm, unlike the two games that had brought us to this point.

We had earned the right to play the first-place Lansdowne Mavericks, a team that was as yet undefeated in 12 games.

First place was not in question in Saturday's game, that belonged to Lansdowne. And from their record, it is obvious that they deserved it. Something more important was to be decided.

Of the eight teams in our section of Division 6C, only Lansdowne and the Strikers play a total team-play format of soccer. All the other teams rely on one or two fast forwards, and they just continuously feed them the ball, in the hopes that they can get a break-away and score.

The Strikers had decided to commit themselves to a total team-play format, a decision that required many hours of hard work, and more importantly, totally unselfish play on the field.

**HAD IMPROVED**

Their play had steadily improved, but Saturday would give us the chance to find out how far we had come, and if we had made the right decision in choosing our style of play.

We were more or less able to hold Lansdowne in their own end for the first 15 minutes of the game, but their defence and goalie held firm and we were unable to score.

Finally, Stuart Lyon, driving in on goal for a shot, was tripped as he moved around the last defender. The resulting penalty kick was drilled home by Stuart and the Strikers went ahead 1 - 0.

On the next drive up-field, another goal, and this time the result of some very heads-up play. The Strikers usually move the ball up the wings and have the wing cross the ball to the inside forwards, but Lansdowne had our forwards double-manned in front of the net.

On the drive the right winger, Peter Aust, instead of crossing to the covered forwards, threw the ball right across the goal front to the left-winger, Erin Fewings. Erin found himself unchecked in front of the goal and drilled the ball home to put the Strikers ahead 2 - 0.

**ABLE TO SCORE**

After this goal, Lansdowne came back with some pressure of their own and were able to score, and kept the game within reach.

For the first ten minutes of the second half, Lansdowne kept the pressure on the Strikers. However, due to the excellent play of Salt Spring's defensive trio and goalie, and a little luck (two shots hit the goal post), they were held scoreless.

Salt Spring's next goal was on a play that had become almost a tradition for the Strikers and has resulted in at least one goal in almost every game we have played.

The ball was worked up the middle of the field by Stuart Lyon. At about the 35-yd. line, he pushed

the ball through the defence, and Jeff Moger, dashing by the defence, picked up the ball and beat the goalie low and to the corner, putting the Strikers ahead 3 - 1.

**FOURTH GOAL**

Five minutes later, Salt Spring's fourth goal was scored by Todd Chase. Todd has been somewhat of an unsung hero in his position as half-back. It has been due in part to his hard work at that position that the Strikers have been able to keep teams hemmed up in their own end, and his goal was a just reward for this hard work.

With the score at 4 - 1, and only seven or eight minutes left to play, it seemed a good time to send in the Strikers' spares to give them some important game experience.

Almost immediately, the trend of the game changed, and Lansdowne was scrambling all over the Strikers. The fact that Lansdowne was able to use this slight advantage to change the whole complexion of the game was a good indicator of just how closely matched these two teams are.

After four or five drives the

## Duplicate Bridge Winners

Gulf Islands Bridge Club winners February 4 were as follows.

North-south: first, Bill and Marjorie Downs; second, Dr. and Mrs. Hyslop; third, Fred Melhuish and Norm McConnell.

East-west: first, Gordon and Dorie Best; second, Audrey Campbell and Gordon Hutton; third, Peter and Lorna Pentz.

Mavericks registered their second goal, and on the very next play they made it 4 - 3. With only two minutes to go, we were forced to send our starting line-up back in to get the game under control again and those last two minutes were very tense.

Next season the Mavericks will move up to the "B" level of our division, and when they think back about the teams that they played to get there, I know they will remember their friends, the Strikers.

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## Annual vestry meeting held at Pender Island

The annual vestry meeting of St. Peter's Church, Port Washington, was held at the School-Community Centre on February 3. It was preceded by a smorgasbord dinner for about 65 persons.

The meeting opened at 7 pm with a prayer by Archdeacon David Powell. The vestry clerk, Mrs. Mae Moonie, read the minutes of the 1979 annual meeting. J. Verner, treasurer, gave the financial report.

People's warden G. Berry gave a detailed account of the work done by members for the church's improvement and thanked the many who had faithfully given their time during 1979.

Mrs. M. Clarke read the report of Women's Guild.

Douglas Harker, rector's warden, thanked Archdeacon Powell

and all those who had worked during 1979 to ensure that the church would move forward. In particular, he thanked the Women's Guild without which, he said, "we would be dead". They had supplied tiles for the floor, a fridge, a lawnmower, a range and had made many other contributions.

Mrs. V. Keevil and Mrs. B. Laroux, who had substituted as church organist at the Sunday services, were thanked by Mr. Harker.

Harker concluded by saying that although the donations had increased considerably during the past year, the expenses have increased. Inflation in the past two years has taken its bite, he said. St. Peter's Church needs help, he added, and he felt sure it would come from the people of the Penders.

## Production schedule is 'most ambitious plan ever undertaken'

In what was termed the most ambitious plan ever undertaken by the group, the Salt Spring Players last week announced their tentative production schedule for 1980 and early 1981.

Re-elected president Ernie Rubright said, "If we only do half as many shows as are now planned, we will be offering our audience a lot of live theatre." Serious drama, a musical and a liberal sprinkling of comedy are all contemplated.

Already in rehearsal is the technically difficult, long, one-act period drama, *The Singular Life of Albert Nobbs*, with a cast of eight women and a small boy. A number of men, none of whom appear on stage, are also heard.

The show is being directed by Liduin Currell, assisted by David Fitchew; produced by Maggie Warbey; and staged by Reg

Taylor. Performances are planned for Mahon Hall on March 28, 29 and 30 in conjunction with the Gulf Islands Secondary School drama class production of the one-act *Still Stands the House*.

### TO VICTORIA

It is anticipated that both shows will move to Victoria the week of April 6 and be presented as part of the Theatre B.C. South Island Zone Festival, with a possibility that either show could be selected for another performance at the province-wide Theatre B.C. festival at Courtenay in June.

A number of musical comedies are being considered for possible presentation near the end of May. The feasibility of such an endeavour is, however, far from assured in view of the royalty requirements, space limitations and the number of cast and crew

required.

The summer theatre program as presently visualized includes perhaps six weekends of three different shows produced by various Salt Spring groups, with presentations probably in the Activity Centre.

### IN LATE OCTOBER

A full-length comedy or drama is planned for late October or early November with final selection, from among the half-dozen plays being considered, to be made before Labour Day.



## Theatre happenings

by

### Salt Spring Players

The Christmas Show will be in the tradition of pantomime similar to the *Beauty and the Beast* and *Cinderella* Christmas shows of 1978 and 1979.

Planned for March or April, 1981, will be another show suitable for entry in the South Island Zone Festival competition.

A reproduction co-ordinator for each of the planned upcoming shows has been named by the Players executive. They are Michael Hayes for the May musical; John Lomas for the summer theatre program; Gwen Hind-Smith for the fall show; Pat Desbottes for the Christmas pantomime; and David Fitchew for the spring, 1981 festival entry. Those named, together with Catherine Faulkner, Dorothy Cummings and Liduin Currell, are the Players executive for 1980.

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## Library lists new books

The Mary Hawkins Library reports that a number of new books have been added to the library's stock.

### Fiction

*Cannibals and Missionaries*, by Mary McCarthy; *Living in the Maniototo*, by Janet Frame; *The Good Husband*, by Pamela Hansford Johnson; *The Widow*, by Nicolas Freeling; *The Dark Journey*, by Diana Raymond; *The Establishment*, by Howard Fast; *End Game in Paris*, by Ian Adams; *The Shadow Spy*, by Nicholas Luard; *Just Above My Head*, by James Baldwin; *Old Live*, by Isaac Bashevis Singer; *The Wave*, by Christopher Hyde.

### Non-Fiction

*A Cornish Childhood*, by A. L. Rowse; *The Fourth Man*, by Andrew Boyle; *Spain*, by Jan Morris; *The Old Patagonian Express*, by Paul Theroux; *Winter Dreams: An American in Moscow*, by Jay Martin; *Forty Years of Murder*, by Keith Simpson; *The Complete Cat and Kitten Book*, by Dr. N. Johnson; *Life at the Dakota*, by Stephen Birmingham; *Prince Charles*, by Anthony Holden; *Out of This Century*, by Peggy Guggenheim; *Arabia: A Journey Through the Labyrinth*, by Jonathan Rabin; *Hirshorn: Medici from Brooklyn*, by Barry Hyams; *The Letters of Lewis Carroll*, Vols. I and II, edited by Morton Cohen.

# Karen Bird reads meters but she would rather drive a truck

BY BRIAN SOBER

Reading meters for B.C. Hydro is only a temporary job for Karen Bird of Salt Spring Island. Karen has been filling in for a few days a week since last June for the regular meter reader, Jim McMahon.

The work is only off and on for the moment. However, she's got her foot in the door of the corporation and is just waiting, she said, for the right job bulletin to come up on the vacancy board.

Karen graduated last June from Gulf Islands Secondary School and has been driving a truck and reading meters on Salt Spring and the other Gulf Islands.

Truck-driving is what Karen said she really wants to do. Particularly in a place like Salt Spring, she added. Karen said she prefers outside work but doesn't think she could get a permanent job position on the Gulf Islands.

"So I'll just have to keep watching the job board and wait for an opening in some other small community."

She would like to take an air brake course, she said, which would qualify her for the truck-driving job she wants.

In the meantime her job is meter-reading and that takes a lot of practice, she explained. After attending a one-day course in meter-reading at Duncan, Karen

hit the Gulf Islands trail with McMahon for a month's further training.

who think that meter-reading is a job for them and not women. But Karen is just as physically fit



Now, she said, she can just about do the job without getting lost or without getting confused by the many combinations of numbers on the meter.

Her pet peeves are, of course, dogs and, strangely enough, men

for the job as any man and has proved it already. Her life in school involved a healthy, active interest in sports such as soccer, baseball, roller hockey, swimming and tennis. If that background isn't suitable for a meter reader or a truck driver, then what is?

## Final campaign

# Wisdom from hustings

Random snippets from public meetings of all candidates have shown the Rhinoceros party winning the laughs, while other candidates have looked, first, for votes.

There have been no all-candidates' meetings in the islands because it has been impractical for speakers to return home to Vancouver Island in quick time.

Strength of the armed forces has been one of the few subjects to find Louis Crowbird Lesosky, the Rhinoceros candidate, in a serious mood.

The strength of the people who believe in peace is very strong, he told one meeting.

Ernie Knott, Communist, doesn't feel that Canada should be fully disarmed in an armed world. He does not believe that Canada needs forces in West Germany to defend Canadians. Nor did he support Canadian participation in NATO or NORAD.

Tory Donald Taylor said that a build-up of Canada's armed forces is the only security the country has. He condemned Liberals for the state of the armed forces today.

Jim Manly, of the NDP, could recognize the need for the armed forces but he could not justify heavy arms expenditures because the United States "is pulling the chain".

### LIBERAL RECORD

Liberal Leo Gervais explained that the impressive record of

Canada's peacekeeping force had been marked up during the Liberal regime.

Knott disagreed that the armed forces were in bad shape.

There is a massive, orchestrated campaign to return to the Cold War, he charged.

"And the Russian bear holds the baton," retorted Taylor.

Taylor looked at the fall of the Conservative government.

It was the exercise of the callous Liberal leader in an attempt to get power, he charged.

Taylor took a swing at both Trudeau and Broadbent.

Trudeau had not made his mind up over the price of gas. At first he said there would be an increase, although less than the Tories' 18c.

Now, protested the candidate, he has a formula "but doesn't tell us the specifics".

Broadbent was accused of being no less clear, but he can't look back on 11 years in power.

"He would set up another committee for study."

### ENERGY PRICES

Canadians have taken a beating over the high energy prices and the cost of living, replied Manly. His party would offer a strategy that would put Canadians back to work.

Only the New Democrats could afford to make promises, taunted Gervais, because they had no chance of forming the next government.

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**FARMERS' INSTITUTE**

**Producing your own food is theme of Pender Island meeting**

**BY ELEANOR HARRISON**

The Pender Island Farmers' Institute meeting on February 5 featured part one of a two-part program entitled *Producing Your Own Food*.

President Helena Turner chaired the meeting and explained that part one would be on protein foods: meat, chicken, rabbits, milk and eggs. Part two will be on vegetables and fruits.

Mrs. Turner was the first speaker and spoke of raising goats. Goat milk is easy to digest and useful for invalids and those with milk allergies, she said. Goats are light-weight animals and easy to handle. The milk costs around 50c. - 60c. per quart, not including labour.

Goats need a three-sided shed, draft-free and dry, with the fourth side open to the sun.

Fences are essential and should be four feet high with the wire nailed on the inside. An electric fence can also be used. **TWICE A DAY**

Goats are milked twice a day for 10 months and normally they are bred each year. They will stay in milk production for three to four years. Mrs. Turner recommended using stainless steel containers for the milk, which is filtered into a jar. Cold water is run on to the jar to chill it quickly.

The break-even point is 150lbs. of milk per year. One of Mrs. Turner's goats gives over two gallons of milk per day in summer.

The milk can be used to make hard cheese or cottage cheese. Some of the world's most famous cheeses come from goats' milk. Butter can be made by separating the cream. It is white in colour but can be coloured artificially if desired.

A goat's gestation period is 150 days and twins are common, weighing 7 to 7½ lbs. Most of them have horn buttons which are better removed for safety. Mrs. Turner prefers to bottle feed her kids, and although it is more work, they are much tamer and easier to handle, she said. The bucks are normally butchered and eaten.

**CLEANLINESS**

Mrs. Turner stressed that for success, cleanliness is essential. Goats are browsing animals, but they need a pound of grain for every litre of milk produced. They need a cobalt salt block and fresh clean water twice a day.

A good grade milk goat sells for \$100 to \$150.

Domesticated goats' hooves grow very quickly and must be trimmed regularly, otherwise the goat can become crippled. Pruning shears work well for this job, said the speaker.

The next speaker was Mrs. Joyce Jones who told of her experience in raising rabbits.

Rabbits are higher in protein than any other meat we eat, and the lowest of all in cholesterol. They are low in fat and lowest

again in calories per pound. They taste much like chicken, but are a denser meat, so less is needed for a meal.

Rabbits are easy to raise, Mrs. Jones explained. They need a dry, clean hutch (commercial ones are three feet by three feet), but Mrs. Jones likes a bigger one, five feet by three feet, with the floor of wire mesh. In this size cage the doe can comfortably raise seven young rabbits.

**TWO BREEDS**

New Zealand white or California white are the two breeds recommended by Mrs. Jones. A 4-lb. rabbit dresses out at 2 lbs. Today, rabbit sells at \$4 per lb. A doe can have as many as six litters a year and should be bred every three to four months.

At today's costs the dressed rabbit meat costs \$1 per lb., Mrs. Jones said.

The third institute member who spoke was Mrs. Angela Veriour, a new resident of Pender. While living in the Peace River on a quarter-section of land, she and her husband had two cows, a Jersey and a Guernsey, which she said were small and good-natured, and produced 2½ gallons of milk a day. They grew all their own hay but bought dairy feed and salt blocks.

Frank Jones spoke about egg production. He recommended buying seven to eight-week-old pullets in November, and they will start laying in January. If last year's hens are still keen on laying, let them do so. If not kill and eat them, he advised. Keep the new ones separated from the old lot for about five weeks. Jones said he puts eight inches of sawdust all over his chicken house and changes it twice a year. Be sure and build your chicken house in a shady spot, he said.

**Mainly Mayne**

By ELSIE BROWN

Due to our absence from the island news in this department has been missing and we have some catching up to do.

Sorry to hear that quite a number of islanders have been stricken with the 'flu and other ailments. Get-well wishes to the following who are patients in Lady Minto Hospital: John Bennett, Walter Hunt-Sowrey and Bob Aitken.

A speedy recovery to Margaret Bennett who is home after a stay in Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria, where she had surgery.

The regular meeting of the Silver Maynes Association was followed by a Valentine Box Social Monday evening at the Agricultural Hall.

President Al Wardle reported that applications for garden lots must be in before March 1. A charge of \$10 will be made. The bowling group plans to hold a St. Patrick's Dance at the Activity Centre March 15. A film will be shown in April and a Spring Sale is planned for April 19.

Following the meeting the gaily decorated boxes were auctioned by auctioneer Herb Wilson. The evening of fun ended with dancing.

About 35 Mayne Islanders took the bus tour to Reno in January. An overnight stop was made at Eugene, Oregon, and side trips were made to Sparks and Carson City. Some of the attractions included the MGM Show and the Bill Cosby and Debbie Boone Shows. Jean Beaumont reports the weather was really nice there and they all enjoyed the trip.

**Scientist to address Garden Club**

**BY OPTOMIST**

To start the new gardening season, the Salt Spring Island Garden Club is fortunate to have Dr. Wayne Lin, a research scientist with the provincial government, for the first meeting. He will speak on greenhouse production and propagation of flowering plants and the production of woody ornamentals.

This should stimulate us to ask all those questions about our own propagation problems. The evening meeting will be on February 20 in the United Church lower hall, and all island gardeners are welcome.

A workshop will be held Monday, Feb. 25 at the church upper hall. Fred Maybee will speak on the pruning of fruit trees, including soft fruit bushes, from 10 am until 11 am, then we'll go on to the garden of Mrs. A. Bacon for a practical demonstration of pruning.

**Water supply**

John Guy's summer water supply was assured last week when the Capital Regional Board's solid wastes and sewer committee approved his application to draw from Money Lake No. 1.

Guy had asked for approval of his drawing a supply from the lake for summer. Originally the board had rejected the application. Since that time more details had been resolved and there was no longer any objection.

**Magic Lake sewer study**

Capital Regional Board is conducting engineering studies at Magic Lake Estates on North Pender Island.

Studies will embrace the sewage collection system and the treatment plant with a view to bringing all the works up to acceptable Capital Region standards.

Proposal is being prepared by the engineering department, directors were advised last week.



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