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Slugs defeated

He shoots, he... missed the net. Typical of the Slugs' game at Fuller Lake arena last Sunday was

this play around the opposing side's net. To be fair, the Slug, who asked to remain anonymous, did

hit the end of the arena. For the grisly details of the 9-4 loss, see Page 21.

Harbour House Hotel closes due to poor tourist season

The 65-year-old Harbour Hotel at Ganges closed its doors last week after suffering financial losses during the past year due to a poor tourist season.

Manager Irene Tranter told *Driftwood* that the hotel is not in receivership, but the owners, Penn Lake Properties, "are making decisions" about the future of the hotel.

The company, with an address in Penticton, decided it was not feasible to keep the Harbour House open.

The move has left 20-25 employees without work and several are already seeking work

through the hotel workers' union office in Victoria.

Most of the staff were surprised by the sudden closure, as were patrons in the hotel Thursday night, when bartenders served everyone a free beer and announced the closing at about 7 pm.

The shutdown follows many speculations and rumours about the hotel's future during the past few weeks.

In addition to rumours that it was to close down for the winter, one story had it that the Century 21 real estate firm was to buy it and use the premises as a training school for real estate salesmen.



Sign tells the story

Committee offers plans for Ganges road pattern

Salt Spring Island Transportation Committee and the ministry of highways have come up with a dual proposal for Ganges traffic routing.

First priority goes to maintenance and possible regrading of Ganges core area roads.

Although the committee, which is a function of the Islands Trust on the island, and the highways ministry have reached agreement on most aspects of the plans, they have not agreed on the core area intersection. This is the junction of Fulford-Ganges Road, Lower Ganges Road, McPhillips Ave. and Centennial Park.

The list of agreed priorities was

offered Salt Spring Island Trust Committee on Tuesday afternoon last week.

The road maintenance in the core area will be co-ordinated with the sewer installation program.

A third lane, for southbound traffic, is planned for Ganges Hill. It is planned to provide the additional traffic lane the approximate length of Ganges Hill. It would be built on the existing right-of-way.

AT JUNCTION

Improvements are planned for the junction of Lower Ganges Road and Upper Ganges Road at Harbour House.

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Four candidates for regional board, two for Trust

Candidates for election to the Capital Regional District board and the Islands Trust are off and running with less than a month to election day November 21.

Six people have declared for the three positions, a CRD representative from Salt Spring Island as well as the Outer Islands and an Islands Trustee from Galiano.

On Salt Spring, incumbent CRD director Yvette Valcourt seeks a second term and is challenged by former *Driftwood* publisher Frank Richards.

With the retirement of Jim Campbell of Saturna, the race for the Outer Islands director's chair features Vernon Roddick of South Pender and John Gaines of Saturna.

The seat on the Islands Trust for Galiano is up for grabs in a by-election for a one-year term and is being sought by Alan Buttery and Christa Weiss.

The CRD positions are for a two-year stretch.

Polls open at 8 am on Saturday, Nov. 21 and stay that way until 8 pm. Advance polls will be held each day from November 16 to 20 between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm. The advance vote for the Galiano

Islands Trust is cut off after November 18.

Salt Spring voters can cast ballots at Central Hall, Ganges United Church or St. Mary's Church in Fulford.

Galiano and Mayne Island residents vote at the respective elementary schools while Penderites vote at the Canal Road school. On Saturna, voting takes place at the community hall.

Outer Islanders also have the choice of voting at the North Saanich Municipal Hall at 1620 Mills Road.

If the use of the advance poll is required, the choice of location narrows a bit. Ballots can be marked on the proper days during the specified hours at either the CRD office at 524 Yates Street in Victoria or at the school board office in Ganges.

For the days of November 19 and 20, the advance poll moves to the North Saanich Municipal Hall.

Meanwhile, a second candidate has declared herself for the Islands Trust election at Salt Spring - an election which has yet to be called by anyone other than candidate Luke Harrison. Margaret Johnston announced last week that she will run against him.

Eight seek election

Nominations closed Monday noon with eight people seeking the four positions open for election on the Gulf Islands School Board.

In the school trustee contest, only Jeannine Dodds of Mayne Island has an assured seat. She returns to the school board by acclamation.

Tom Davidson, veteran of 12 years as a Gulf Islands trustee, faces competition for voter approval from Elizabeth Bray and both are wooing residents of Saturna Island.

The contest for the three

vacancies as Salt Spring representatives to the board heralds the campaign start for six individuals.

Roger Aust, better known as Strick, is seeking a return to the school board. He has been the chairman of that body for the past year and reached the board through acclamation in 1979.

Jack Althouse, Arthur Botham, Raymond Hill, Charles Hingston and Lindsay Kyle fill out the slate for the Salt Spring seats.

Dodds, who trusted the mails with her nomination in the previous election, mailed early this year and will not have to depend upon a ministry of education appointment to sit in deliberations of things scholarly this term.

Her filing papers arrived late in 1979 and when nominations closed with no Mayne Island name, the matter went to the ministry for decision.

Balloting takes place on Saturday, Nov. 21 from 8 am until 8 pm. Advance polls will be opened at the school board office in Ganges on November 16, 17 and 18 from 8:30 am until 4:30 pm each day.

Salt Spring Island voters can troop to either Central Hall, Ganges United Church Hall or St. Mary's Church in Fulford.

Saturna Islanders will mark ballots at the community hall on that island.

Nobody forced upstairs

Passengers suffering from any handicap will not be required to leave their cars and climb the stairs on the islands ferries.

Public relations manager for B.C. Ferry Corporation, Bill Bouchard, told *Driftwood* this week that the corporation is establishing a policy of asking people to leave their cars, but nobody is being forced to do so.

He was speaking to an island complaint that the victim of a

heart weakness had been required to climb the stairs to the passenger deck on the *Queen of the Islands*. The passenger had been left a card explaining that she was required to do so under an international maritime dangerous goods code.

No person who is unable to manoeuvre the stairs will be required to leave the car deck on the islands ferries, said the corporation's spokesman.

Building design to cut crime

BY FRANK RICHARDS

When the Capital Regional District looked at crime in the community recently, the question was approached from a number of different directions.

How can the community involve itself in the fight against crime? How can the community design its structures and developments in such a way as to discourage criminals? What inroads has crime made into the community? The final question was a panel enquiring whether the criminal justice system is a success or a failure.

The conference in Saanichton's Stelly's Secondary School devoted considerable time to the question, Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED).

Saturday morning discussion of CPTED was initiated by an address from Dr. P.S. Brantingham of the department of criminology at Simon Fraser University.

Where buildings are designed to

permit greater surveillance and greater interaction between people, the crime rate drops, she explained.

If buildings are placed with entrances in clear sight of the public the risk of burglary is less than in those buildings where the entrance is hidden or obscure.

She described the "triangle of likelihood" or the target area of any criminal. It connects his home, his place of work or school and his place of entertainment. The likely targets for nefarious activities will usually lie within two blocks of the triangle.

Planning can obviate risks when planners are aware of these characteristics. Criminals are young. Throughout the conference it was emphasized that as a youth grows older he is growing away from the tendency to commit crime.

WELL-KNOWN CENTRES

Juvenile criminal activity is usually close to well-known centres; close to fast-food facilities; close to parks.

"Kids who commit offences are lazy," suggested Dr. Brantingham. "Few kids travel more than a quarter to half a mile from well-known locations."

The critical daytime period is 1 pm to 3 pm, when many homes are empty.

Planning to discourage crime in the community calls for the diversion of traffic away from residential areas. Grid street patterns are easily followed by the dishonest because everyone recognizes the pattern. People looking for a target are looking for something they understand. Barriers divert traffic. They also divert criminals.

Pedestrian traffic can be channelled away from the high-risk areas. Larger parks need means of surveillance. Green areas are trouble spots.

An awareness of the criminal pattern is an invitation to planners to meet the problem before it arises.

Design for safety is of paramount importance, urged architect David Hambleton.

VANDALISM

He noted that vandalism has persisted in the vicinity of his Victoria office, despite constant surveillance. The decor

has been ripped out in the area and his own office was the target of rockets, fired through the window.

He recognized the need for a police participation in the planning process. "God forbid that we should have any more applications to get for a building, but I can see that."

He looked beyond building design.

"This is too permissive a society." The process falls down on a legal system that doesn't appear able to cope, he warned.

Slide show by Dr. Brantingham had suggested that ground-floor apartments represent a hazard.

Victoria planner Doug Koch pointed out that landscaping around ground-floor apartments too often features bushes which grow out of control and obscure the apartment.

Obscured apartments in many places have been constant targets of criminals until the offending growth was removed, delegates were told. Once the area was visible to the passer-by, the break-ins broke off.

NO INTRUSION

Bay windows, which permit wide surveillance are not permitted to intrude into the setback and access to the street, providing clear visibility and surveillance is also prohibited.

Developer Jack Hayes suggested that if the architect is walking a tightrope, then the developer is on the same rope, tied up and blindfolded.

Ground-floor apartments are a necessary ingredient of multiple-family dwellings. There would be insufficient revenue without that floor, he asserted.

He was not too hard on the young miscreant. When he pours concrete he engages a guard to keep youngsters off it. But he was a youngster once.

"They are no different today. Most boys of 15 to 16 are hooligans. It's a natural stage of development."

GOES THE GLASS!

He developed his theme of vandalism. In an empty building it takes months for the first window to be broken. And it probably takes a week for all the rest to go.

"Imagine a house with all the windows broken, except one. You're 15; what are

you going to do? You couldn't leave it alone!"

The developer urged a distinction between the youngsters who are pursuing their own forms of devilment and those who are engaged in the.

Don't bolt the doors, pull out the landscaping!

"Let's not have all society suffer for the actions of less than one per cent of the community!"

It's the elected officials who walk the tight rope, said Gerry Harkness, assistant deputy minister of municipal affairs.

Urban areas will be of denser population if we are to find homes for all the people who want to work in the work areas.

Grid patterns for streets are the most commonly sought. Nobody wants the cul-de-sac. "And here come the firemen!"

FIREMEN OBJECT

The contemplated changes to the building code requiring dead bolt locks would prevent firemen from forcing an entry in case of fire.

RCMP Superintendent Scotty Gardiner challenged the concerns for economies in construction. Where the economies demand a building or a development that demands constant policing, there is no saving, he urged.

Tight parking spaces in car parking facilities, for example, call for constant police checking of fender benders, he explained.

Municipal parks with facilities for resident surveillance cut down on police calls. He challenged Hayes on hooliganism. He would accept devilment, but not hooliganism. The dollar must not dictate developments, he urged.

Delegates were reminded that the unlighted back alleys in Victoria are an invitation to criminal activities and vandalism. They were also warned that owners who install lighting in the back alleys are subject to a city improvement tax. It is cheaper to keep it dark.

The conference warmly endorsed the close participation of police personnel in the community planning function as part of the CPTED concept of planning for crime prevention.

Building down in September

Building activity was down in the Gulf Islands during September.

Figures released by the Capital Regional District indicate that 26 permits were issued, compared to 30 the previous month and 34 in September of last year.

On Salt Spring 19 permits were issued with a value of \$962,271; on Pender there were three permits, valued at \$128,920; Galiano, one

permit, \$81,449; Mayne, two permits, \$99,256; and Saturna, one permit, \$126,815.

In September 1980, 23 permits went to Salt Spring, four to Pender, four to Galiano, two to Mayne and one to Saturna.

Total value of all the permits issued in the islands during September of this year was \$1,398,711. In September 1980 the total was \$1,552,284.

Permits issued for the calendar year to the end of September 1981 total 252, with a value of \$11,651,719. For the same period last year, there were 202 permits issued with a total value of \$8,623,606.

For the current calendar year to the end of September, a breakdown shows that Salt Spring has had 145 permits for a value of \$6,902,319; Pender, 51 permits, for \$2,233,825; Galiano, 10 permits, for \$606,465; Mayne, 43 permits, for \$1,697,454; and Saturna, three permits, for \$211,656.

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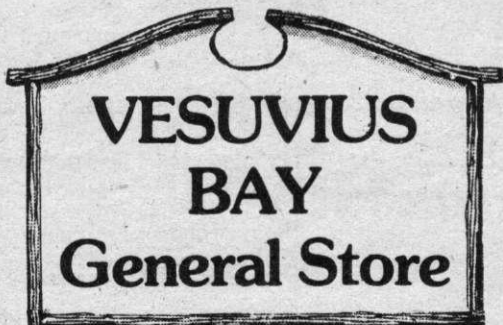
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by richards



The steering was all over the road and I went to the agents and protested. It was the mag wheels, I learned. The heavy spokes collect winter mud and the irregular load of mud throws the wheel out of balance. I'd sooner have ugly old wheels that don't upset the steering, but, of course, I'm not a car designer. I reflected on magnesium alloy for wheels and I looked back to the 1930's when a mag wheel was a magna wheel, the first wire wheels to mount a chromium-plated hub cap over the wheel nuts. My experience with alloy was not in connection with wheels, but airplanes. During the war magnesium alloy was used for aviation because of its great strength and light weight. Magnesium had been popular before the advent of the flash bulb for making photographs in the dark. It would flare up brilliantly. It had the same characteristic in those war-time aircraft. If the plane crashed the metal would burn faster and more hotly than the fuel. Me? I'd sooner have pressed steel wheels.

It was in Victoria and a sign said, "25% off sale last day". To the initiated the sign meant that articles offered at a 25% discount during the current week would revert to their original prices next week. O.K., I told my granddaughter. If they are 25% off, how much will they have to put the prices up to come back to the original figure? And she couldn't figure that they came down in price by one-quarter, but to get back to the original price they must go up one-third.

There has been more work devoted to work and the ethics of work in recent years than there has been work done. Should we or shouldn't we? There is the question! I was reading Ivor Brown's *Book of Words* the other day when I found that in his work of 1942, he was thinking of the work ethic and the promotion of the word "busy" from the labourer's hut to the drawing room. It is only since the Reformation, wrote Brown, that the idea of labour as a social obligation has afflicted mankind. Previously, toil was the curse of Adam, not his duty or opportunity. He suggests that thought changed. Then came this all-conquering notion of honourable toil, he wrote, a Puritan conception, which has endured. Even the lordly ones frown on the man who admits to having no work or labour. If you don't like work, that's nothing new. Literature is full of people who didn't like work hundreds of years ago.

Cream's gone up again, announced Catherine in the office here. Cows have joined the union, suggested Bill Webster.

I read the other day of the problems of accepting advertising which fails to comply with government regulations on the use of words. A British Columbia newspaper publisher was in deep trouble for accepting the following announcement: Mature lady wanted to come to our home to care for seven-year-old boy. And a newspaper publisher can go to jail for that. I think it should have read, "to care for a seven-year-old person". The ministry of semantics is getting busy.

Thinking of laws and words reminded me of the wide concern when a young lady was denied a security clearance in order to work for the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. But a clearance is the easiest thing to screw up. I recall an incident when the reporter sponsored by the mighty *Daily Express* in London was denied a security clearance by Scotland Yard. And the mighty Lord Beaverbrook wanted to know why. It proved that the reporter failed to be truthful. He listed his place of birth without disclosing the fact that the place was, in fact, a suburb of a great city. It was an automatic rejection. Scotland Yard had caught him in the act of evasion if not lying. Unfortunately, Beaverbrook pointed out that when the offending reporter was born there it had not been part of the spreading city. He was then cleared for security. Or so the story goes.

It was not Le Parole. A few weeks ago I related the tale of a Quebec publisher who paid me a visit out of curiosity. He wanted to find a native-born Brit who went to the same church as he did. I recalled he was Claude Martin of Le Parole in Drummondville. I had a note from Andre Piolat, publisher of *Le Soleil de Colombie*, British Columbia's only French language newspaper. Parole is du genre feminin, he explained bilingually. Vive la difference! In spite of the Human Rights Commission, commented Andre, in French they still distinguish between the masculine and the feminine. Though how a red-blooded francophone can figure "le" feminine, I have never grasped. Even I can see a disparity there.

Thieves strike three times

The crime spree lasted less than a month and as a result three Ganges men face a series of charges.

The events began on September 17 when a battery was reported missing from the B.C. Hydro yard on Rainbow Road.

On September 30, a building on Fulford-Ganges Road was broken into and \$15 stolen. The same building was broken into again on October 6 and netted someone \$250.

As if to prove how easy it was, the building was again broken into on October 11. The third time saw the taking of automotive grease, motor oil and vegetables valued at more than \$250.

One man faces three charges of theft under \$250, a charge of breaking, entry and theft and a fifth charge of theft of more than \$250.

The second man faces a charge of breaking and entry as well as a charge of theft of more than \$250.

A third man became involved in the incidents and has been charged with possession of stolen property

after police discovered some of the items taken from the building in his home.

All charges are currently being processed and no court date has yet been set.

In a related incident, one of the

men charged faces more problems stemming from a theft of gasoline on October 6.

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Two accidents

The fog and wet pavement hindered many motorists last week and Dr. Robert McCaffrey was involved in not one, but two accidents only hours apart.

The first brush with fate occurred on Trincomali Heights Drive in the evening when McCaffrey's 1980 Subaru slid from the wet pavement at a curve and sideswiped a pole.

Later, in the early morning, McCaffrey was answering an ambulance emergency when the same car found the ditch on Lower Ganges Road near the golf course.

The car was damaged to the extent of \$200 in the second accident and McCaffrey was slightly injured.

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That long-distance train whistle

The islands have never seen a train, nor yet heard a whistle. There is no railroad track linking the islands with the outside world. Yet the threat of closure to passenger trains across the land is bringing indignation and grief to the islands.

There is nothing more nostalgic than the wail of the old steam whistle. Designed to herald the approach of a train, it lived to echo across the nation, a mournful wail of assurance. And it died to leave half a world closing its ears to the raucous imitation of a diesel horn.

The wail lives on. In the minds and in the hearts of Canadians, the mournful wail yet develops the prairie provinces. Its echoes still leap over the lofty mountains calling its serenade to a new, coastal province.

There is no escape from the wail of the past.

And the pattern is changing even as we hear the call from the past. The mating call of the steam locomotive is bringing western concerns to eastern dismay. The eastern provinces were weeping tears of grief amid the nostalgia that their trains should be axed. And western tears mingled with theirs to soak the eastern rails.

And while Canadians from sea to sea wring their hands over a lack of representation from the west on the government benches, we see this very real and very warm representation on the station platforms of the east.

Which is the end of a beautiful venture into nostalgia. Because it took the last passenger train in an era of shrinking passenger trains to bring all Canada into one unified force gathered at the Ottawa wailing wall, with its whistle growing fainter and the lights of that passenger train retreating into the fog of history.

Of course we regret its departure. And assuredly the day may well dawn when the passenger train will, once again, ride the national rails. And when that day comes may we face it with the same nationwide unity!

They didn't ask

The police forces and the communities of the Capital Region gathered together a week or so ago to examine the function of the police in the community and the degree to which the community can play its part.

The delegates heard a detailed outline of the extent to which police advice in planning might contribute to less hazardous structures. They heard reports on what was being done by communities elsewhere and they heard of those areas in which the police are largely on their own.

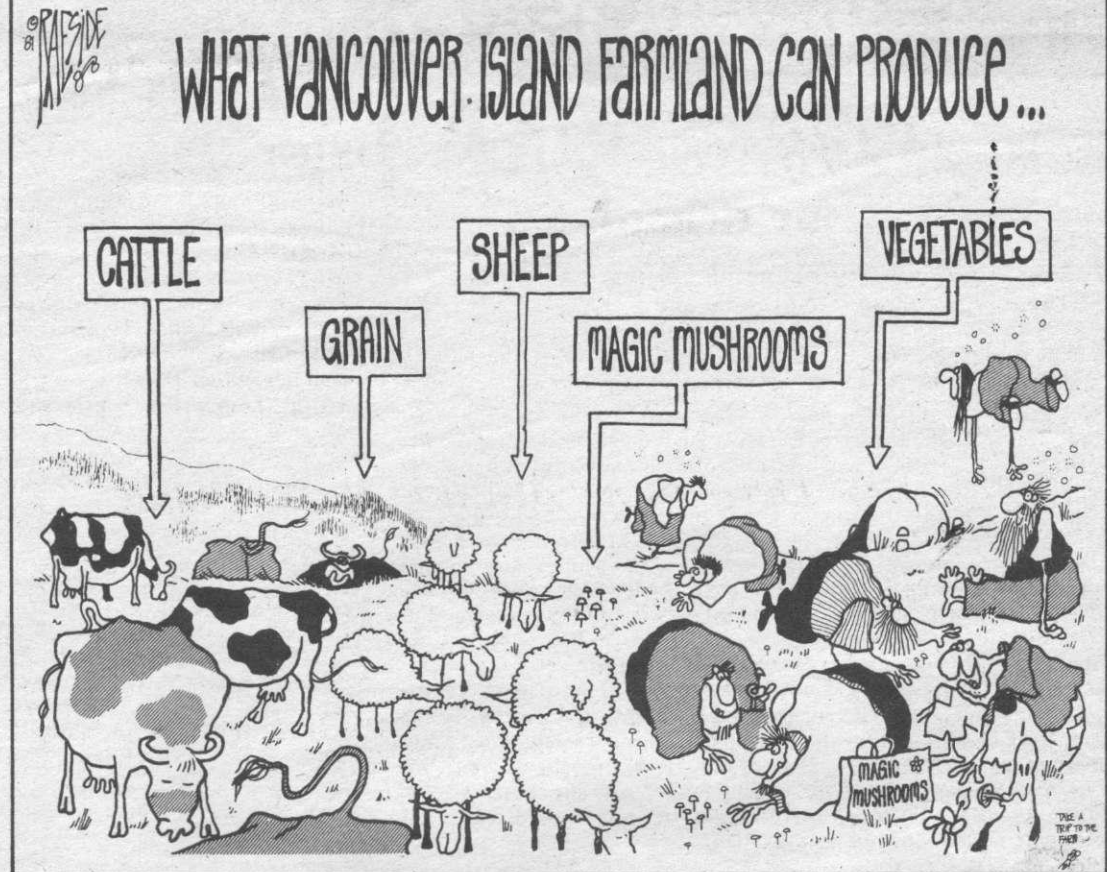
A former Vancouver police officer suggested that if the justice system were working effectively the conference would not have been necessary.

But at no time did anyone jump up to offer a philosophy of crime and punishment, nor to ask what was expected of the system.

It is not easy to understand how such a conference could reach a harmonious conclusion on what could be if there was no accepted agreement on what should be.

A second conference to establish what the justice system aims at would be a valuable second chapter in the book of crime and the community.

WHAT VANCOUVER ISLAND FARMLAND CAN PRODUCE...



Bill Webster

This column may not appear here next week

Conversations often lead down unexpected paths. Two recent discourses on the weather ended in confirmation of an opinion fomenting since my arrival in the Gulf Islands.

Islanders, in my observations, fall into one of two categories: those who are native regardless of location and those who should not be permitted alone in sunshine.

Being an islander depends upon a certain state of mind. Either the person stands up and spits in the eye of fate or becomes involved in fruitless pursuits which defy rational explanation.

As one who considers himself an islander, there are a few eyes I would spit in. Normally possessed of thick skin, the hackles rise when misguided idiots pot shot at the messenger.

WHINING SLUGS

I refer of course to the whining of some of the fabled Salt Spring Slugs who claim that because of the presence of a *Driftwood* reporter and camera, the game was lost.

It is time for Salt Springers to put the case. Surely the better players on the team such as the Akerman brothers and a couple of others deserve more than the weak-ankled ice-cleaning performed by far too many on the team.

Certainly the Slugs lost. They played a better team. Even though the other side had only three reserves, the players kept their heads up and weren't engaged, as were the Slugs, in contemplation of the skate marks on the ice surface.

When a reporter is pushing deadline, something else the Slugs have several of, it becomes difficult to think of

charitable words to say about misfits.

DISGRACE NAME

One wonders at the good sense of Salt Spring Lands for allowing the Slugs to disgrace the name. But with a nice sweater and logo emblazoned with the company name, why does the team want to be known as Slugs?

Norman Nosebleed hides behind the anonymity of a pen-name and won't come out of the closet and be known. He picks on short reporters and maligns the good name and reputation of Louis Bolivar-Finchley as well as Beauregard Ming.

I have a strong urge to bring Mr. Ming and his one-note trumpet to the next game and then we'll see who squirms.

But back to the game itself. The home side came out strongly to be sure and the Akermans, who know how the game should be played, scored a couple of quick goals.

SWIMMING?

The Slugs' defense, now that's a joke folks, took turns belly-flopping on the ice thinking perhaps they were at the Panorama pool for a free swim.

The opposing forwards had few problems in creating many problems for the local goalie. It's a cliché, but perhaps he should consider suing the defense for lack of support.

Hockey is a game of speed, grace and skill. Properly played, the game assumes the proportions of poetry. The way some of the Slugs play it, it assumed the grit of bar-room doggerel.

Just looked that word up in a

dictionary to check spelling and came across another which describes several of the Slugs: doily, a small mat often used as decoration or to protect a surface.

ADMIRABLE FOOT

Change the small to large and the description fits admirably.

I realize the lug who sports number 3 will waylay me in a dark alley, but that's the life of a journalist. The Truth has to be told regardless of the consequence.

The rink attendants at Fuller Lake arena in Chemainus welcome the Slugs each time they come to play. The attendants don't have to scrape the ice between periods because the Slugs have all the loose snow on their uniforms.

A peculiarity of this game was the length of the third period. The timer was obviously in the pay of the Slugs. The period ran for close to 30 minutes. But instead of tiring the other team out, the Slugs kept making worse fools of themselves until finally someone ended the game before the referee did himself injury from laughing so hard.

Has anyone noticed that the Slugs don't advertise where they are playing until after the game is over? Makes one wonder, doesn't it.

Readers will know, of course, if this scribe meets an angry Slug by the absence of this column next week. I do hate to pick on widows, orphans and unfortunates but the turkey who writes the Slug bump asked for it.

Letters to the Editor

Vessels, 2; Driftwood, 1; Webster 0/3

Sir,
With further reference to the picture of the vessel *Belle Blonde*, on Page Twenty-Six of the October 14 issue of *Driftwood*, and the item about Donald New's visit to *Driftwood* on Page Twenty-Six of the issue of the 21st: I, too, thought that this vessel was schooner-rigged, but on closer examination of the photo, I have to agree with *Driftwood* that it is, indeed, a barquentine/barkentine (U.S.).

As I understand the terminology of sailing vessels, and their rigging: a *ship* is a vessel with three, or more, square-rigged masts; a *barque/bark* is a three-masted vessel whose fore and main are both square-rigged, and whose mizzen/mizen is fore-and-aft rigged; a *barquentine/barkentine* has three, or more, masts, of which the fore is square-rigged, and the others fore-and-aft rigged; a *schooner* has two, or more, masts, both of all of which are fore-and-aft rigged.

Therefore, since three yards, with furlled sails, can clearly be seen on her fore-mast, the *Belle Blonde* is, indeed part-rigged as a barquentine/barkentine, so the score, on this issue, should read: vessels, 2; *Driftwood*, 1.

Mr. Webster, however, has indeed, scored 0/3, on Page Four of the issue of the 21st. While there is a possibility that a final "e" may, forsooth, have been squeezed out at the end of a line of print, and while substituting "the" for "a" is a slip-of-the-pen/tongue such as we are all liable to make, I really cannot accept "beast" for "breast" (or was this another typo?)

I refer, of course, to Mr.

Webster's allusion to the well-known quotation from William Congreve's play *The Mourning Bride*. (Don't leave out the "u", will you?) This should read:

"Music has charms to soothe a savage breast,

To soften rocks, or bend a

knotted oak."

CONHOR HUNT,
R.R.3, Ganges,
October 22, 1981.

Ed. Note: Bill Webster's substitution of the word beast for breast was intentional. However, the missing "e" was not.

Derogatory attitude to mechanics

Sir,
The article next to the editorial column on October 14 indicates to me that the writer has a very derogatory attitude towards mechanics and is evading the liability that goes with being a car owner. At no time did he mention that the responsibility for the condition of his vehicle rested to some degree on his own shoulders but chose to project the blame for malfunctions caused normally by neglected service on to a portion of the working class.

Taking a trip across country with a 12-year-old vehicle, expecting a mechanic to anticipate all the problems he would encounter with a checkup, and expecting instant knowledgeable answers from an unknown mechanic suggests that he needs more awareness in this area.

Appealing to the public for sympathy for not being able to deal with the auto industry effectively is one thing but to stir the fire that already exists between the car owner and the mechanic with discrediting opinions is not needed in a community.

If good work is to be achieved, a trust has to develop between the mechanic and the customer so that

effective communication can take place. Namely the mechanic gets to know the vehicle's reliability factor for different demands made upon it and then can also provide information to prevent costly repairs.

I suggest he try this approach in the future before hastily condemning the worker for being too money conscientious.

MIKE SHPELEY,
Box 1031,
Ganges,
October 20, 1981.

No mention of excellent section

Sir,

Returning from vacation I scan the pages of *Driftwood* in vain for some mention of the horticulture section of the fall fair. It was an excellent section, especially the district exhibits.

I am sorry you saw fit not to give gardeners a mention in your pages.
J.M. WOOD,
R.R.2 Ganges,
October 26, 1981.

Most groups are not members

Sir,

There is one mistake in the excellent report by Dr. Bob Robertson on the Mahon Hall Restoration Committee in *Driftwood*, October 21. Most of the groups that use the hall are not members of the Community Arts Council. The C.A.C. gives grants to the Weavers, Painters and Players. Their members may, or may not, be members of the C.A.C.

The Weavers Guild has the scheduled use of the hall itself for four hours a week, and so does the Painters Guild. The Players have 7½ hours — more of course, when a play is in production. The Salty Sweaters Fitness Group, now sponsored by the Recreation Commission, are in the hall for

13¼ hours every week, and Continuing Education for 16 hours plus occasional one-day workshops.

The Salty Wheels Square Dancers are renters for two hours per week and the Dog Obedience Group for two hours. The I-IPACS organization has had four one-evening performances this fall and hopes to have more. Joan Raeside has been rehearsing for a pre-Christmas show. The NDP had a bazaar and chickens occupied the hall during the Fall Fair.

I think that all these occupants represent a very fair cross-section of the community at large.

OLIVE CLAYTON,
R.R.3 Ganges,
October 25, 1981.

Rights devalued for all

Following letter was submitted for publication.

Mr. Bill Bennett, Premier,
Government of British Columbia,
Victoria, B.C.

I write to request the repeal of special legislation enacted concerning the installation of a sewer in Ganges, B.C.

It seems clear to me that in this case the interests of relatively few people are being catered to over the well-founded objections of many.

Why should we in the north be

concerned about happenings on Salt Spring Island? We value our rights as citizens of Canada, and if those rights are given short change in Ganges, they are in a small but irremediable way devalued for all of us.

Please act now, and reassure us that in British Columbia local people are still judged competent to exercise authority over local concerns.

ROD RUSSELL,
Box 1565,
Yellowknife, N.W.T.
October, 1981.

Sordid piece of history

Sir,

I was shocked to read the letter by Mr. Andrew Orkin in *Driftwood* October 21, under "Votes Improperly Certified", and would like to urge every member of the Salt Spring Island Community to read it again carefully, and to really consider its true significance.

The method used to bulldoze through this original sewer petition is hard to believe, for the ordinary law-abiding citizen. Then to find ultimately that this has been sanctioned on a continuing basis by the CRD and finally given blanket protection by our Government representative Mr. Hugh Curtis, with his Bill 31, leaves us wondering where we can turn for simple justice.

To me, it is a tragic thought that it was members of our own

community who originally triggered this sordid piece of our history, and supported it even when the true facts were known.

I can only hope that they cannot be the ones who sign themselves, mysteriously, Responsible Citizens.

ALAN BEST,
Ganges,
October 26, 1981.



Tony Richards

WITHIN THE NEXT couple of weeks, if all goes well, there will probably be a lot of switch-flicking going on around our house. The flicking of switches in the evening hours will replace the striking of matches, a chore which was usually preceded by groping for the matches in the dark.

Once again, we are to join the ranks of thousands of other British Columbians and become customers of B.C. Hydro. And I can honestly say (for the moment, anyway) that I look forward to the first of the bi-monthly bills as those demands for payment will serve as a reminder of those dimly lit, smelly months when kerosene was used to combat the forces of darkness. And as anyone who has burned kerosene knows, it is but a feeble weapon.

We have lived without electricity for the past six months, but it has not been a new experience. We lived without it for several years on the central B.C. coast, with the result that I later swore an oath (which I later broke) that we would never burn kerosene again.

I'll be ready to swear that oath again when the power is connected next week.

ALL THE GOOD STORIES surface at least two years after the fact.

One I heard this week is about a sometime Salt Spring resident who spent a few too many hours in a local pub. He was later "poured" on to the ferry at Fulford by some friends. He found his way upstairs, found a nice warm spot, curled up and went to sleep.

The ferry plied its way from Fulford to Swartz Bay and back no less than three times and still he slept.

When finally the ferry tied up for the night at

Fulford, our drowsy friend continued to sleep, despite attempts by the crew to rouse him.

The friends who had set him on the ferry were then recalled, and they appeared to pick him up. The story didn't quite end there, however.

The following day, presumably feeling somewhat more alert, the would-be traveller showed up again at the Fulford ferry, this time with a packsack and some other baggage.

Upon spying the weary traveller once again boarding the ferry, some members of the crew were alarmed.

"My God," said one, "he's moving in."

I FOUND IT EASY to agree with a comment made by Toronto *Globe and Mail* senior editor Jean Howarth which appears in a story this week.

Driftwood's Saturna Island bureau chief Priscilla Janszen interviewed Howarth recently and she made one or two remarks about the CBC.

The services of freelancers should be used more, Howarth noted, and there should be less hosting.

With regard to CBC Radio, a little less hosting would do the world of good to some of the so-called music programs being broadcast.

On one evening recently, I listened for five minutes to a program host talking a lot of pap with some musician. The host wasn't talking pap — the musician was. He was doing all the talking but saying nothing.

I tuned in again a few minutes later and had the unusual opportunity to hear some good music. But when the song ended, listeners were treated to yet more pap.

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More letters to the Editor

Time to flush rats out of this sewer

Sir,
I would like to commend Andrew Orkin for the initiative he showed in uncovering those alarming facts concerning the Great Ganges Sewer petition.

I don't mean to throw shadows on Mr. Orkin's honesty or the accuracy of his reporting but, am I really to believe that this petition, which is the legal usher of the Ganges Sewer, is a totally phony, rigged document that has misled the Government in its application of funds in this matter. Can others in the community verify this information?

If it is true, am I then to expect that the person or persons responsible for the submission of the count of votes to be publicly called to account for their actions in much the same way the Regional Director has been called to account for hers.

I think that it must be time to flush the rats out of this sewer and into the open. There is obviously some conspiracy here to appropriate public funds by fraudulent means. Surely that represents organized crime, right here on Salt Spring. Do we all realize the implications? My God, when will the shootings and

bombings begin? We already have arson and armed guards and dogs and if they aren't the beginning of war what the hell is?

Don't let's kid ourselves that it can't happen here — it is happening. People's rights are being violated and they have no recourse for justice. Look around you in the world at what happens when the courts and the law are used to violate the people it is supposed to protect — you have violent revolution. Fifty-six nations in the world engaged in war. Right now.

It is no real good either to attack

the vandals and think that will make us safe. That is only attacking the symptom. More vandals will come with more cleverness. We must strike cleanly at the perpetrators of the injustices whoever they are and expose them for what they are. Remove the cause and you will effect the cure.

I call for a moratorium on the Ganges sewer and a full public inquiry before it is too late.

LES BRADEN,
Box 1074,
Ganges,
October 24, 1981.

Bicycle lanes supported

Sir,
Ken Fluet's item on bicycle lanes is very good. All island roads are narrow and dangerous.

Let's take his idea a step further and involve B.C. Hydro and B. C. Telephone. These companies could provide concrete ribbons with conduit encased and write it off to future higher costs of

maintenance for poles and unsightly wires and perhaps less breakdown for power and telephone services.

CHAS. J. GARDNER,
R. R. 1, Galiano,
October 24, 1981.

P.S. Come to think of it; something for our do nothing Chamber of Commerce to get busy on.

Poster contest for bicycle paths



Sample of posters being sought for contest is work of Ardie Garner, a Grade 12 student at Gulf Islands Secondary School.

A three-speed bicycle is being offered as the prize in a poster contest being held by the bicycle road allowance committee at Salt Spring Island.

The newly-formed committee is pressing for bicycle paths on the island and is circulating a petition that will be submitted to Highways Minister Alex Fraser.

The poster contest is open to all elementary school students on Salt Spring Island and closes on Friday, Nov. 6.

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When you are near
I do not mind the rain.
Nor count the cost of pain.
I do not need the light
Of sun, or stars by night.

When you are near
I do not mind the strife.
Nor want to change my life.
I hope this makes you see
Just what you mean to me.

— Grace A. Wright

Poet's corner

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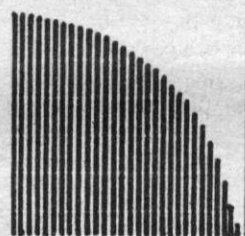
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Questions should be raised about Honeymoon Bay mill closure

In the 1950's more than 700 workers had jobs with Western Forest Industries at Honeymoon Bay. In the spring of this year 357 people worked at the mill and logging camp; now no one works there — the jobs have gone.

Closure of the mill at Honeymoon Bay is disastrous, not only for the front-line employees who are laid off, not only for their immediate families, but for the entire community of Lake Cowichan. The business community of Duncan will also suffer since 40% of the workers lived in the Duncan area and since Lake Cowichan people always do a good percentage of their shopping in Duncan.

Small businesses, already caught in the squeeze of high interest rates, now face a serious drop both in the number and in the purchasing power of their customers.

SHOULD ASK QUESTIONS

Instead of meekly bowing our heads and saying, "Western Forest Industries' will be done", we should be asking some serious and angry questions.

We all know that high interest rates in Canada and the United States have reduced housing construction to near-depression levels. The depressed lumber market which resulted has caused mills and logging camps to close all over British Columbia. Lack of sales has meant that Western Forest Industries has been virtually shut down since June. But why the permanent closure?

One answer is the shortage of timber. After 40 years of logging, Western Forest Industries has only a couple of years of timber supply left. But why is this? Even 40 years ago intelligent and forward-looking people knew that our timber supplies were not infinite. Twenty years ago the P.R.

Ottawa report

BY JIM MANLY, MP

departments of large companies like Rayonier, which then owned Western, were busy churning out material about "sustained yield from perpetual forests".

BEING MINED

But all the time the forests were being mined instead of farmed: very little was being put back in terms of reforestation. As a result, it will be 10 to 15 years before second-growth timber is ready for harvesting and that will never be equal to the old growth in either quality or quantity.

The corporate ownership and control of Western Forest Industries has not worked in the interests of the community. A large shareholder in Australia had a dominant interest for many years; the other bloc of shares was owned by Alaska Pine and Cellulose, later bought out by Rayonier Canada, which was a wholly-owned subsidiary of Rayonier in the United States, and which in turn was made a part of the huge I.T. and T. empire. These companies are concerned with profits, not with communities. Their planning was geared towards making big bucks, not to creating a stable, long-term community at Honeymoon Bay.

ALLOWED TO RUN DOWN

In the same way that the forest was mined, the mill was allowed to run down and become antiquated and inefficient. Consequently, the company can claim today that it is not in a competitive position. It announced a permanent closure even though there are still two

years of logging left.

Workers are skeptical about their current owners: B.C.F.P., Doman Industries and Whonnock Timber.

In addition to the two years of old-growth timber available for harvest, thousands of acres of valuable second-growth will be coming on-stream in 10 to 15 years. This is no help to the employees nor to their families who will be suffering this winter, but it makes a juicy plum for some forest giant to keep in stock for its corporate future.

In the meantime, I want to work to transform our economy from a boom and bust situation dependent on foreign exports by large corporations to one that is planned by Canadian people for Canadian people and for their children.

Second film on Monday

California professor-writer-lecturer Leo Buscaglia gave a message of love and human communication in his video-tape *Living, Loving, Learning* this week at the Ganges elementary school.

A second video, *With Love*, will be shown next Monday night, Nov. 2, at 7:30 in the elementary library.



Visit to the dentist

The kindergarten class of Marjorie Jones from Fernwood School visited the office of Ganges dentist Gordon Dafoe last week. The 13 youngsters showed much interest in the work of the dentist

and the trip was to familiarize them with the office because, as part of their initiation into the scholar's world, they'll have to see a dentist themselves soon.

Read Peter Weis' gardening column every week in *Driftwood*.

Small Business Week October 25-31, 1981

Small Business is important. And more and more people are realizing this fact.

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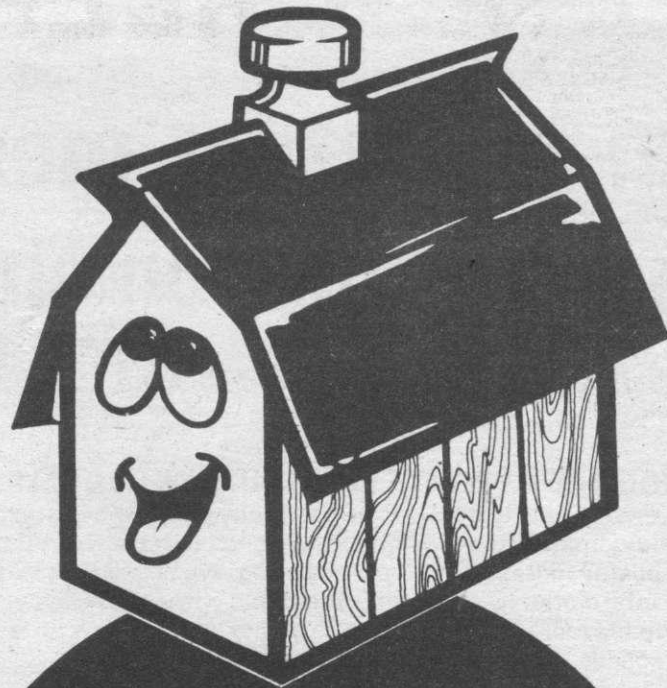
Younger people are discovering that Small Business provides an alternate lifestyle. Almost 42% of the Canadian labour force is now employed by Small Business. Community leaders are often owners of small businesses.

Innovation, Invention and Diversity: words associated with Small Business. Why? Because Small Business is unencumbered with big business structures.

Small Business is important. The task facing Canada today is to help Small Business continue to grow in every sector of the economy.

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Cher Bloom (Suicide Sal) is a Victoria singer-songwriter, originally from Toronto. She has performed across Canada and up and down the west coast both on her own and with her husband, Starshine.

She has appeared at numerous folk festivals and other functions, including the Renaissance Fair at Courtenay and the World Symposium on Humanity and Habitat.

John Rigby (Champagne Charlie) is a well known figure on the Victoria music scene and has played with many notable artists, such as John Hammond, Paul Horn, Bim, Donovan, Jesse Winchester and others.

A violinist and guitarist, Rigby has done studio and television work.

The concert, presented by the Inter-Island Performing Arts Co-operation Society, will be held at St. George's Hall at 8 pm. Admission is \$3.50 for the general public, and \$3 for I-IPACS members, OAP's and students.



Champagne Charlie and Suicide Sal

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Poet's corner

Overheard on All Hallowe'en

Said the Cat to the Bat, "I'm tired, that's flat.

I won't go out with the Witch tonight. I'll hide her broom at the back of the room And pretend to sleep with my eyes shut tight."

Said the Bat to the Cat, "You can't do that.

It's All Hallowe'en, a special night When witches fly through the black night sky. You'll be alright if you hang on tight."

Said the Cat to the Bat, "It's not like that.

It's the wind in my fur I hate. And of course if it rains that adds

to my pains, And we do seem to stay out late."

Said the Bat to the Cat, "The witch's hat! That's a thing you could shelter under.

Make a hole to look through, better still, cut out two She might help you, I shouldn't wonder."

If you look up high and see in the sky

A witch on her broom with her hat askew,

You'll know what it means — it's the Cat as he leans

To the right, to the left, trying to get a good view.

— Joan M. Raeside

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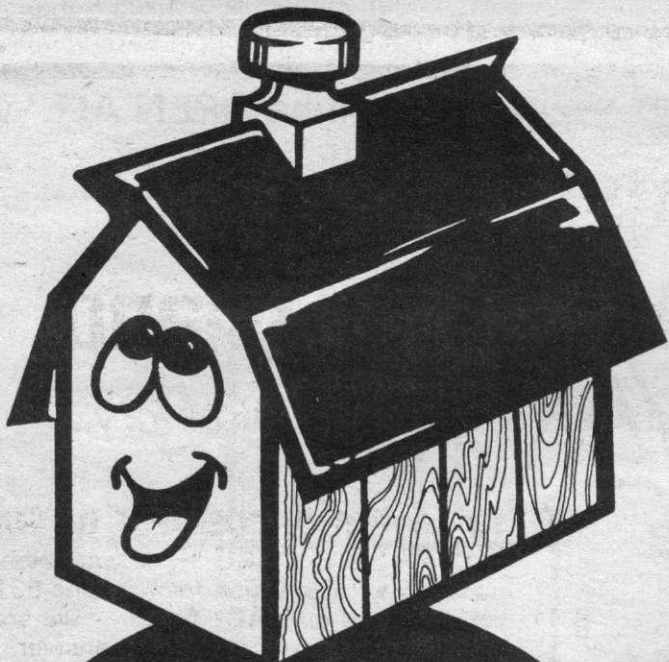


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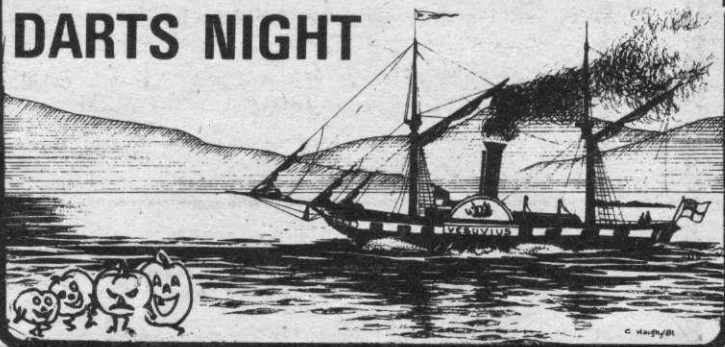
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Further, dehydrated food requires only one-sixth of the space of hydrated food. And best of all, practically all the goodness of the food, flavour and colour, are preserved as well.

We still have some dehydrated apples, pears and cucumbers which we dried four years ago, and they are as good as ever. If I remember correctly, we dehydrated 40 pounds of nice eating apples and stored them in two three-litre ice-cream containers.

They have been sitting in the bottom of our kitchen cupboard for all that time, a ready source of a little snack, a nice touch to

complement a school lunch, or to lend flavour and substance to cooking, summer, winter and spring.

TWICE AS SWEET

Dried pears or bananas are especially good. Being naturally sweet, with only the water removed, they taste twice as sweet in their dehydrated state.

Another favourite family snack is blackberry leather. We simply blend our berries in the blender to the consistency of apple sauce, put this through a foley mill to remove seeds and spread this mash on a sheet of plastic. A cut-open plastic bag is just right (about 12 by 18 inches).

This goes into our dehydrator for two days, after which it has dried into a sheet of blackberry "leather". This leathery sheet is then rolled up like a scroll and placed in a plastic bag and sealed. For a snack, we just tear off a piece or reconstitute some or all of it for desserts or baking by soaking it in water. One can add a dash of honey to the mash before hydrating, or combine with other

Farming and Gardening BY PETER WEIS Foxglove Nursery Consultant

fruit and spices for endless variations of the basic "leather".

SOUPS TOO

Soups, or leftover soups, can be dehydrated in the same manner and stored or accumulated almost indefinitely. The list of items which can be dehydrated is endless.

Another favourite item in our household are bananas. When there is a sale of cheap, almost too-ripe bananas, we buy a lot and dry them. Their natural sweetness is enhanced by drying and these dried bananas are as popular as candy.

We have found that the best place for our dehydrator is in the kitchen. This makes it easy to spread some leftover soup on a sheet of plastic and pop it into the dehydrator. Checking the progress of other food in the dehydrator is also quick and easy. In our new house we will build one into our kitchen cupboards.

EASY TO BUILD

There are many good dehydrators on the market. They are also easy to build for anyone with ordinary skills and tools. And a simple window screening in a wood frame placed over a hot water heater, for instance, will give good results.

The most important aspects of drying food are good air circulation at a steady temperature of 95 to 110 degrees (F). Above temperatures of 110 degrees we begin to lose much of the goodness of the dried fruit. Although a gas

oven with a pilot light has a good temperature range, air circulation is insufficient for good dehydration.

If drying food in other places than an enclosed space, some provision must be made to keep dust off the food.

SHOULD DRY IT GENTLY

To dry food well and to preserve its goodness, a dehydrator should dry the food gently and rapidly. A provision should be made to let warm air rise through an opening at the top so that moisture will be removed with the rising warm air.

Fresh trays should be placed at the top of the dehydrator and partially dry trays rotated to the bottom. This prevents the re-absorption of moisture by dry food from fresh wet food.

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Club prepares program

The Salt Spring Island Trail and Nature Club has prepared its program for November.

On November 3, in place of a hike and walk, work parties will be formed to improve trails. Members are asked to take tools and meet at 10 am in Centennial Park.

On the same day a bird walk is planned in the Cowichan Bay-Quequamichan Lake area. Betty McKinnon will lead the walk. Participants will meet at 9:30 am at Centennial Park or 10 am at Vesuvius.

A hike on Mount Hope will be led by Mary Sylvander on November 10, as well as a walk in the Maracaibo area led by Marjorie Beggs. Meeting place for both is Centennial Park at 10 am. Three activities are planned for

November 17. John Lloyd will lead a hike on Reginald Hill and hikers will meet at Centennial Park at 10 am or at Beaver Point Hall at 10:30.

An intermediate walk in the Isabella Point area will be led by Jean Holmes. Meeting place is Centennial Park at 10 am or Drummond Park at 10:15.

Heritage houses and local history in the Central and Vesuvius areas will be the subject of a tour led by Beth Hill. Participants will meet at 10 am in Centennial Park.

There will be a hike on the plateau and to the old copper mines led by Val Keys on November 24. On the same day Jack Webb will lead an intermediate walk, possibly in the Maxwell area. Both groups will meet at 10 am at Centennial Park.

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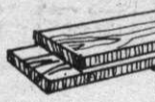
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Pathfinders say goodbye to Muriel Denison

When girls become involved in Guides, they learn many things and last week a group of Salt Spring Pathfinders learned to say goodbye.

Muriel Denison, district governor of Girl Guides, is returning to Ontario and she presented the six girls in the Pathfinder group with mementoes of the occasion.

"I'll treasure the memories of good times we've shared," she told the girls, "as I say, not goodbye, but cheerio."

Denison and husband Lionel are moving back to Niagara Falls.

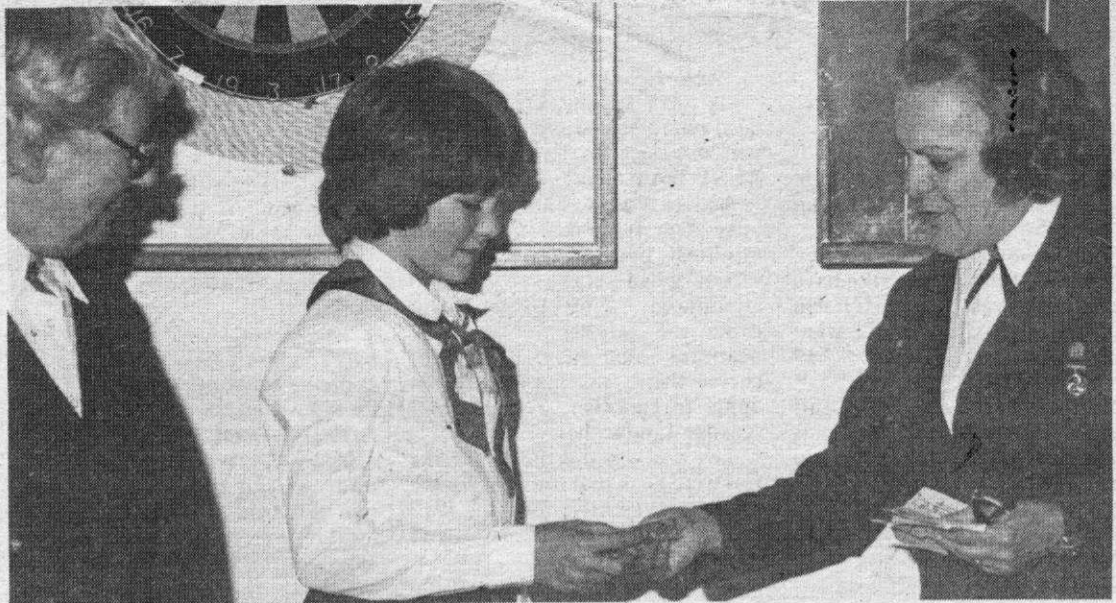
Part of the ceremonies was a presentation of a plaque to Jack Albhouse for his help given to the

Girl Guide movement on Salt Spring over the years.

Marion Goodwin, counsellor to the Pathfinders, becomes the new district governor for the Stuart Channel district.

Girls begin their careers in Guides by joining the Brownies from age six to nine. The next step is Guides, nine to 12, followed by Pathfinders at age 12 to 15. The next two years are spent as Rangers and after 17, the girls become Cadets.

Alison Albhouse and Andrea Levesque, two of the Pathfinders, were recently awarded a silver emblem which came to them for successful completion of 20 challenges at summer camp.



With goodbyes said, Muriel Denison, right, presented each member of the Salt Spring Pathfinders with a memento. Rowena Perkins receives her gift as new district governor Marion Goodwin looks on.

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Mizpah busy preparing for annual bazaar

BY OLIVE MOUAT

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"What about monkeys?"

"That's a funny thing! We have sold monkeys as long as I can remember, but people still want them. We never yet have had enough."

"Let's forget clowns and monkeys for today. Look at this little white cat that I made. Do you like it?"

"Like it? I'll say! It's a darling and no grandmother could resist it. Is it hard to make?"

"Not really. You haven't started anything yet. Could you embroider a cat's face? I've made the body and head."

"Well, I could try."

"Is there anyone not busy? We need pom-poms. Good, here's what you will use."

BUSY DAY

And so it went. Thursday was a busy day. It seemed only a few minutes before our efficient secretary had put the kettle on and announced, "Time to eat." Out came the lunches — a really beautiful salad here, a piece of cheese there, muffins for one, an apple for another, a big bag of sensible sandwiches....

Two workers did the dishes; the rest were back making lions for the bazaar. Presently, one or two collected unfinished treasures and left.

Others cleared the table, putting finished clowns in one box; Christmas tree decorations in another; scissors, needles, elastic,

sequins, a thimble, several spools in a third; embroidery thread in a container by itself; carrying finished and unfinished articles downstairs to the cupboards. Other members of Mizpah hurried in. The table was moved. Chairs were arranged in a circle, and Mrs. Lois Bushell called the meeting to order.

The Devotional Period was led by Mrs. Doris Gibson, the prayer and collection for the Least Coin by the writer.

GOOD WORK

The treasurer of presbyterical had asked congregational representatives to commend their local treasurers for good work and excellent reports.

Chrysanthemum plants had been chosen for the church by Mrs. Marion Woolley. These and other plants in the sanctuary and

tearoom are to be watered by the volunteers who prepare the church building each Saturday.

The annual pot-luck luncheon is planned for December 10, the normal meeting day. An effort will be made to encourage all women who are in any way connected with the church to attend. The ladies from Burgoyne are guests of honour.

Almost all other business concerned plans for the Christmas bazaar. As has come to be the custom, the home baking will be laid out in the upstairs hall and will go on sale at 1:45. Over the years, the workers have found that 15 minutes allows most buyers to choose what they would like and to take their treasurer to their cars.

The tea and all the other stalls will be downstairs where serving and selling will not begin until two

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The date again? Saturday, Nov. 14.

At the close of the meeting, delicious tea was served by Mrs. Gibson and Mrs. Bushell.

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Her tomatoes will just have to wait



MEG BUCKLEY

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Meg Buckley, like many other islanders, has boxes of ripening tomatoes awaiting her attention — "but they will just have to wait", she says.

Meg is a production potter and, with the potters, weavers and painters annual pre-Christmas sale coming up in November, she is putting in long days to fill her 60-cubic-foot propane-fired kiln. The kiln was just completed last spring, although Fulford Valley has been home for Meg for over a year. Before that she lived on Pender Island for five years and commuted to Vancouver to work.

Meg began potting 20 years ago when she took a UBC extension course, followed by a stint as a part-time student at Vancouver School of Art. It wasn't until 1973

that Meg, her daughter a teenager by then, felt that she could devote her energies to pottery full-time.

SHARED STUDIO

At that time, she and three other potters shared a studio on 4th Avenue in Vancouver and sold their work through Tansar Crafts, a co-op store they operated next door. Her work is still sold in Vancouver.

Recently she had a show in the Rembrandt Gallery as well as participating in a group show in the new Tansar Gallery. She also has pottery in several galleries in Victoria, including the Victoria Art Gallery shop.

Meg makes simple, beautifully-crafted functional stoneware: teapots, mugs, goblets, casseroles, tableware. Her classic forms are glazed in a few reliable glazes — a silky, cream-coloured oatmeal, a glossy rich brown-black "tenmoku", or a muted grey-green celadon. Decoration is kept to a minimum, letting the graceful forms speak for themselves.

Meg feels that her glazes complement each other, and a buyer can always match a purchase with a piece bought previously.

WORKS WITH PORCELAIN

Occasionally, Meg works with porcelain and finds its smooth creaminess a pleasant change from stoneware. She believes that porcelain requires a different range of shapes and glazes. One beautiful plum-coloured glaze she has used "is elusive and not always easy to attain", she says.

Meg Buckley's stoneware and porcelain pottery, and that of other local potters and the work of local weavers and painters, will be on sale at Mahon Hall during the annual potters, weavers and painters guilds pre-Christmas Show on November 13, 14, 15 from 10 to 5 daily.

Season under way

Scouting groups need leaders

BY ED DAVIS

Another season of Scouting is under way on Salt Spring. Cub leader Akala (Jean Hoskin) reports that the pack is full, with a few potential cubs on the waiting list.

There have been rumours of starting another Cub pack, but that move is hampered by the lack of leaders at the moment. Sea Scout leader Paul Minvielle reports there is room in scout troop for new scouting candidates.

Presently we are looking desperately for some assistance for Scout Leader Minvielle. Paul is seeking a capable candidate for assistant scout leader duties. In addition, the group committee is seeking to fill a couple of positions.

Anyone interested in helping out please contact the scout leader, Paul Minvielle; Cub leader, Akala, Jean Hoskin; or group committee chairman Robert McWhirter.

In addition to our regular Cub and Sea Scouting activities, we now have a new Beaver Colony on Salt Spring. Beavers is a creative program for boys, five, six and seven years old. It is a program which is part of Scouting and works towards the same ideals as the other scouting programs.

The motto for Beavers is *Sharing*. The program is intended

to meet the needs of young boys. Meetings work on a positive group basis. Individual competition and achievement are not part of the Beaver program. That comes later when the Beavers move up to the Cub program.

As with the other programs, we are in need of new leaders for the Beaver program also. While experience is always useful, most leaders who join us are new to both Scouting and group committee experiences. The main requirement necessary to be a leader in any of these positions is to have a love for young boys and a desire to give them a positive group experience.

Now is the time for the Cubs' annual *Beautiful B.C.* subscription renewal program. It's also a good time to purchase your Christmas gift subscription to that same publication. Our Cubs have subscription kits and when you renew through the Cubs your subscription fee remains the same.

However, the program returns a dollar out of each renewal to the

Scouting program. Your support of this and other programs is what helps to keep the Cub and Scouting activities going.

Dyb, Dyb, Dyb.

Family marks anniversary

Although unable to be present, Miss Mary Wright of London, Ontario, was the hostess when 10 members of the Wright family at Salt Spring Island gathered at Rita's Inn on Saturday to celebrate the 54th wedding anniversary of her brother, Rev. Thomas F. Wright and Grace A. Wright.

Those present were the couple's son and daughter, Tom and Nancy, Tom's wife Rene, and daughter Pehny, grandson Hal, with his wife Irene, and their two children, Jocelyn and Andrew.

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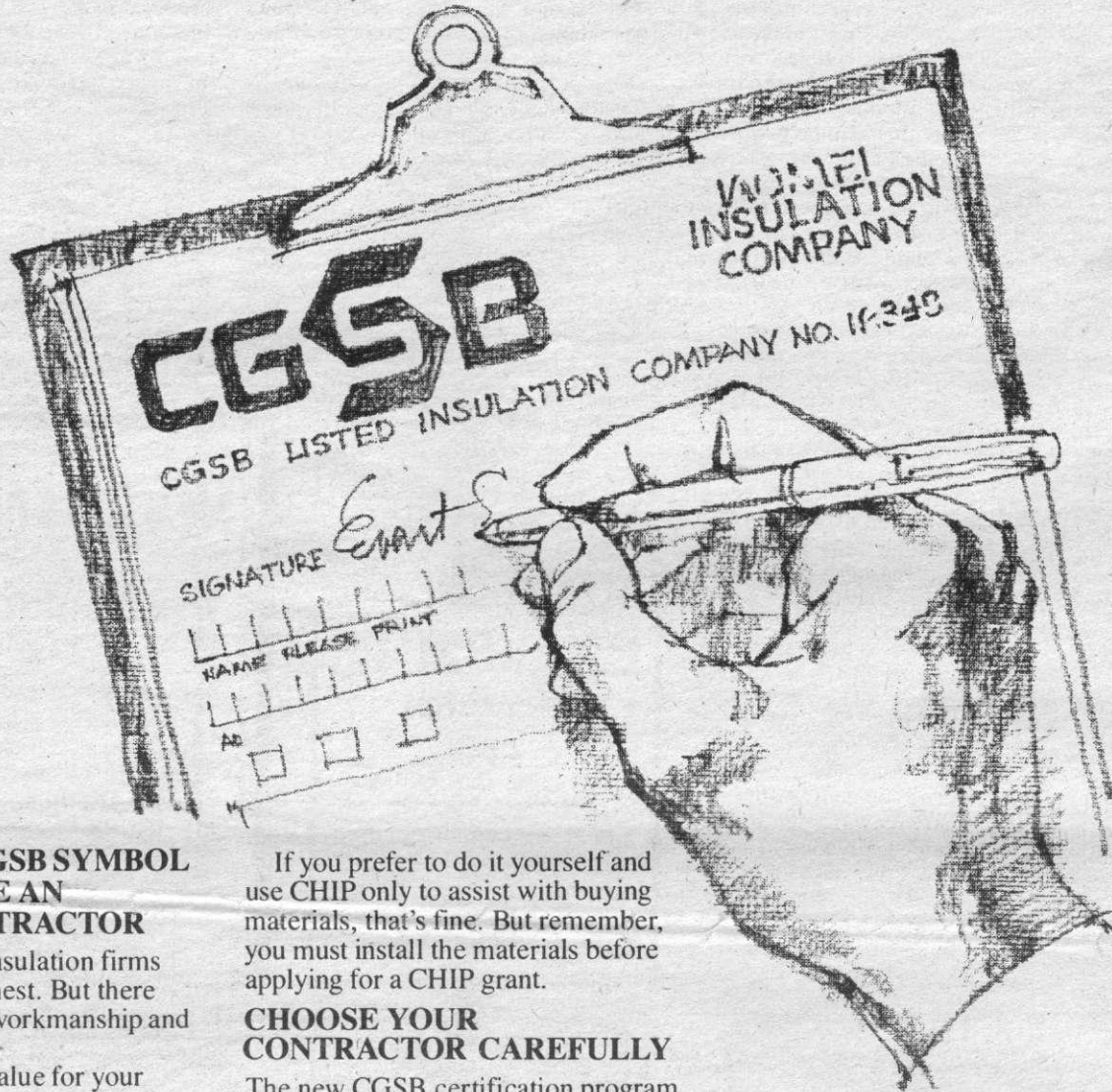
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