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Province-wide walkout possible

Local teachers decide to work to rule

Red tide alert posted for island waters

Parts of Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands have been closed to shellfish harvesting due to red tide.

The department of fisheries and oceans says the closure is in effect from Dorcas Point, north of Nanoose Harbour, to Nanaimo, Ladysmith, and Bare Point, south of Crofton.

On Salt Spring the closed area runs from Erskine Point up and around the north end and down to Nose Point. All of Galiano Island is affected as are Velde, Thetis, Kuper, Decurey and Gabriola Islands.

Duncan fisheries officer Trevor Fields told *Driftwood* that a red tide alert is uncommon for this time of year, but not unheard of.



Driftwood photo by Bill Webster

First of a series

The event was the first in a weekly series of Swap 'n Shops sales to be held in St. George's Hall in Ganges. Shauneen Pidcock, left, decided she wanted to learn to fox trot and waltz so she purchased a

record and instruction set from vendor Barbara Rikwerda. The sales will help raise money for the Gulf Islands Handicapped Society.

Teachers in Gulf Islands schools will initiate a basic teaching campaign and could join a province-wide walkout if called upon by the British Columbia Teachers' Federation.

The decision was reached at a meeting of the Gulf Islands Teachers' Association (GITA) last week.

The basic teaching campaign, otherwise known as work-to-rule, is an attempt by the teachers to focus public attention on the "number of non-classroom activities and services teachers provide to fill and enrich the educational lives of their students," said Mike Hayes, GITA president.

The teachers had been upset by the first two attempts by the provincial government to impose restraint on the school system. They are currently concerned about the School Services (Interim) Act which was introduced in the legislature by the minister of education, Bill Vander Zalm.

The minister said the bill is intended to ensure that the educational system does not suffer serious disruptions because of restraint.

Hayes and the BCTF executive see the bill as a means by the provincial government of stripping the last powers and authorities of local school boards. BCTF executive members have called for a province-wide strike if the bill is not withdrawn.

The decision by Gulf Island teachers to threaten to strike and to work to rule was taken, said Hayes, after extensive debate and "much soul searching."

"However, the majority felt it was time to take a stand against the

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School enrolment higher than expected

Enrolment figures for the Gulf Islands schools show an increase of 67 students for this year over last September.

The figures are being watched closely by school trustees because the ministry of education had earlier tied approval for the proposed south Salt Spring school to a significant increase in pupils at the other two elementary schools on the island.

Enrolment at Salt Spring and Fernwood elementary schools stood, as of the end of September, at 77 children in kindergarten and 503 pupils in the primary classes of Grades 1 to 7.

The ministry of education had

indicated a need for enrolment of 81 in kindergarten and 464 in primary grades.

"The figures were significantly more than anyone had expected," said Mike Marshall, superintendent of schools for the Gulf Islands.

"We really need that Fulford school," he added. The enrolment figures for Salt Spring are currently at a level which the ministry had predicted for September of 1983. Those figures had been projected at 75 kindergarten and 505 primary pupils.

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Rowers place third

Two women who practised rowing on St. Mary Lake at Salt Spring Island during the summer placed third in the world championships last month.

Lisa Roy and Janice Mason were representing Canada at the races held at Lucerne, Switzerland. The Russian team took first place and East Germany second.

Roy is now studying at the University of B.C. while Mason is living in Victoria. The two have rowed together for the past five years.

Building activity way down

Building construction during the month of August was down far below the 1981 level in the islands. The same drop is seen in the records for the first eight months of 1982.

Permits for the Outer Islands fell from last year's total of 61 to only 28. On Salt Spring Island the slowdown was not so pronounced, with this year's total of 12 knocking on last year's figure of 15.

The building activity on all islands is down to half of its level in 1981, measured by the value of permits issued during the first eight months of this year.

Since January 1 there have been issued 65 permits for homes on Salt Spring Island and three for

commercial construction. Total value was \$2,834,279. These figures compare with the 1981 total for the same period; 117 permits valued at \$5,940,048.

In the Outer Islands the picture was similar, with this year's 52 dwellings and seven commercial structures valued at \$2,856,760. During the first eight months of 1981 there were 103 dwelling permits and two commercial structures approved at a value of \$4,454,441.

PENDER ISLANDS

Pender accounted for 20 residential and one commercial permit this year to a value of \$990,705. This is a drop from last year's 47 residential permits and

one commercial project valued at \$2,104,905. Mayne, with 18 residences and two commercial undertakings valued at \$859,247, showed a drop from last year's 41 permits for residences costing \$1,598,198.

Galiano and Saturna both swam against the tide of depression and issued more permits this year than last. Galiano issued 10 residential and four commercial permits this year to a value of \$798,572. In 1981 the island undertook eight dwellings and one commercial structure with a gross price tag of \$525,016. On Saturna in 1982 three permits were issued for dwellings, value, \$187,446. Last year the total was two dwellings at \$84,841.

Donation made for firewood

An Alberta man was quick to respond to the publication last month of the story about the firewood theft from Greenwood's.

Driftwood received a letter this week from Gordon Utas of Edmonton who said he read with dismay the story about the theft.

With his letter he enclosed a cheque for \$100 to pay for the delivery of a load of split firewood to the local intermediate and personal care facility.

Applicants plan outdoor cafe at Central junction

Application to rezone a Central property to commercial use was tabled at Tuesday afternoon's meeting of the Salt Spring Island Advisory Planning Commission.

Harry and Mary Williamson have applied for rezoning of their property adjacent to Central Hall from residential to commercial. They are planning the establishment of an outdoor cafe.

The planning commission was told that the property has been latterly in use as a residential unit but that it was formerly used for commercial purposes. The property was at one time a lumber yard.

Application specified a Commercial 4 zoning for a restaurant.

Members of the commission were told that Central hall houses a

movie theatre four nights a week in winter and more frequently in summer.

The movies, sports facilities at Portlock Park and other activities at Central have all developed since the owners acquired their property, it was learned.

WATERSHED

Don Storr expressed concern

that the location lies within the watershed of St. Mary Lake. He was supported by Bud Kreissl.

Some question was raised as to the merits of controlling a property lying far from the lake while exerting no pressures on development of lakeshore properties and David Lott agreed.

"It is stretching the credibility of

the water board to say that lot is in the watershed," he suggested. Arvid Chalmers shared his view.

Controls in the watershed should start at the waterside and work out, he urged.

No decision was reached and the commission will reconsider it, with further information, at its next meeting.

Enrolment up

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The total enrolment across the school district stands at 1,149 students in kindergarten, primary and secondary classes. At the end of September, 1981, the enrolment totalled 1,082.

Outer Islands schools show a drop of seven pupils between the two dates with only the Pender school showing an increase: up to 84 students from 82 last year.

The Galiano school shows 49 students in class, down from the 54 who had registered in 1981. On Saturna, the school population is 15 compared with 18 a year ago. On Mayne, 76 students are in class, down from 77.

The Outer Island figures indicate that 37 students are enrolled in junior secondary grades of 8 and 9 on Pender and Mayne Islands. There are 25 students in Grade 8 and 12 in Grade 9.

Gulf Islands Secondary School on Salt Spring shows an enrolment of 345 students. The figure is down from the 353 registered a year ago but up from the 333 students who were in class when the school closed in June.

The enrolment figures also show that 11 students are participating in the Gulf Islands Project Serving Youth and 24 other students are involved in the French immersion program.

Teachers work to rule

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anti-education policies of the provincial government," Hayes said.

"It must be made very clear to everyone that the target of teacher discontent is the government in Victoria. We have no quarrel with our school board which has been as much a victim of recent government decisions as have teachers and children," he said.

The teachers also agreed not to participate in education ministry committees. They will not cooperate with ministry officials on subjects such as discussion of curriculum, or evolution of the education system. The teachers will also refuse to fill out forms, tests and surveys requested by the ministry.

Hayes said the teachers are concerned that the money to be available for operation budgets next year will not be sufficient to run the education system either in the Gulf Islands or elsewhere in the province.

"Even with salary roll-backs and a zero percent increase in wages in 1983," said Hayes, "there will be a significant shortfall in education funding next year."

One aspect of the School Services Act calls for the elimination of non-teaching, or professional days. The result would be a school year which is five days shorter than normal.

Hayes said that if the teachers and the school board comply, the savings in the Gulf Islands district would amount to approximately \$60,000 and would not, as the ministry suggested, cover the expected shortfall in money for the operations budget. The 1983 budget in the Gulf Islands is expected to be about \$85,000 less than 1982.

"It will not be possible," said Hayes, "to offer the same level of programs and services in 1983 that are being offered this year if the government holds to its promise to limit school board budgets to the same level as 1982."

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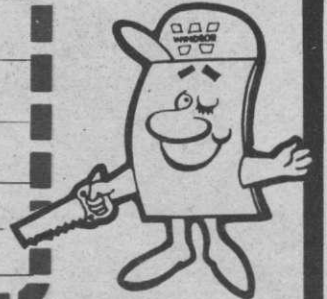
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Holding out for C1 zoning

Commission tables Windmill Farms plans for information

Salt Spring Island Advisory Planning Commission heard a fervent appeal for rezoning of the old Scott property on Lower Ganges Road on Tuesday afternoon.

Making his case for Windmill Farms was Terry Penny, who told the commission that he is planning an outlet for local produce, on and off the island, that will find work for island farmers and property owners.

The application for Commercial 1 zoning lies across Atkins Road from Foxglove Farm and Garden Supply. Plans call for produce sales and an arts and crafts outlet.

In a fast presentation of his plea, Penny explained that he is asking for C1 zoning with a restriction on the area of buildings to 4,000 or 5,000 square feet; that if the application is rejected he will open his store in the Sidney area and that the subject property will be subdivided for residential use.

The project of Windmill Farms calls for stores and the arts and crafts centre all to be constructed and finished in an attractive rural style.

"If I owned the downtown area I'd do the same thing," he said in reference to the style of building he visualizes: "It is the design concept for Ganges."

The property is ideal, he told the commission, and he walked all over the island before he found it.

TO MAKE MONEY

"I'm going to make money and I'm going to make a lot of it," he stated. "I believe there is a market for Salt Spring Island crops."

One farmer on the island has a greenhouse, he continued. If the Windmill Farms project goes through, that farmer is planning two more greenhouses to supply Windmill Farms with produce.

In addition, explained the applicant, he is closely studying the market for island produce to ship out crops beyond his needs.

"I know it's against the community plan," he told the meeting, "but I have 119 signatures of people who know where the project is and what I'm trying to do."

He estimated the cost of the project at about \$200,000.

At a previous meeting of the Islands Trust, Penny was asked whether he would accept a more restrictive zoning than C1. He had said he would accept any zoning that would permit his development of the market. He had cautioned that he was merely the developer and not the owner.

THEY DIDN'T SAY YES

On Monday he reported that the owners had not approved of a lesser zoning. He offered to accept Commercial 1 zoning with a restriction on total area of buildings to be permitted.

Bud Kreissl had prepared a written summary of his opinion. The layout presentation was excellent, professional and captivating, he agreed.

He found two problems: the location of the project and its possible future use.

The location is incompatible with the community plan, said Kreissl, and it represents the strip development which has been under

fire by the regional plan and the community.

WHY NOT BUILD IT?

"If it's a good thing for the island," said Penny, "why not build it?"

If he could find another location to match the Atkins Road corner, he'd be eager to examine it, said the promoter. Did anyone have a site to propose, asked Sabara Humes.

She also asked whether 119 signatures would not have some significance.

Representative democracy does not work on signatures, warned planner Richard McKellar. It is still dependent on the vote.

"I like what you are trying to do," commented Don Storr, "but I don't like the place you are doing it."

He needs a Commercial 1 zone, explained the applicant, because if one store goes down it could be replaced with any type of store.

"That's what's worrying me," admitted David Lott.

The application was tabled for one month for the dissemination of more information to commission members.

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A \$5 eulogy

Whoever heard of the *Moodyville Tickler*, of Burrard Inlet, in the graceless year of 1878? Somebody did. I have been presented with a minute newspaper clipping attributing this editorial offer to that publication and that particular year:

Notices of deaths, unless accompanied by a special fee, will be restricted to two lines and a half, but an enclosed five dollar bill will ensure a double-headed, double black-edged column, devoted to praises of the deceased and enumerating his particular vices (if he had any). For a gratuity of twenty dollars, the editor guarantees to indite a delightfully sublime and pathetic obituary in blank verse, to put in a personal appearance, if requested, at the wake, and ere morning dawn amid the ruins of broken heads and broken bottles, so customary at these mournful family gatherings, to pronounce such a eulogy over the dear remains as would bring tears to the eyes of a dromedary.

Exactly nearly 400 metres

How approximate is approximate? Public Works of Canada is meticulously approximate. In an advertisement inviting tenders for the provision of a post office at Westbank, the ministry specified the area needed: Wanted to rent, approximately 396.3 square metres of usable space...

A long letter

The letter came from the United States and only the post office could have delivered it. The address was clear: Eileen Simington (wife of Gavin??), Salt Spring Island, Vancouver, B.C. It had been sent from Vancouver to Ganges and bore the legend, "Try Fulford". Fulford Post Office provided the missing information and the letter was duly delivered to Mrs. Eileen Bilton at Ganges. Gavin told me everyone is knocking the post office. They certainly don't do everything wrong, he crowed.

Thanksgiving

Thank heaven the Thanksgiving weekend is over. If there's nothing else to be thankful for, there's that. After moving great loads of dirt and rock and wood and everything else around the place I'm crippled. And I can't get any sympathy from Women's Lib. She's too busy limping around and nursing her feet from too much work outside. Any ordinary Thanksgiving and the weather is so miserable that you have no yen to get out into the garden.

And a finger

You see, the prime minister is No. 1. I know that's right because I've seen it on car bumpers lately: "Trudeau..." and one finger is held up to count to "one".

Goal is clean water

In some countries, women and children must trudge up to 15 km per day to obtain water for cooking and drinking. Often that water is dangerously polluted by man or animals. UNICEF is helping to meet the goal of clean water for all by 1990 through donations to the Halloween Trick or Treat campaign.



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Let's vote and get it over

Nuclear disarmament has been sought by thousands of Canadians since the race first started to accumulate arsenals of weapons to destroy mankind. The concern of earnest, thinking people has grown to the point where there is nationwide objection to the international obsession with armaments.

From coast to coast, Canadians are planning to express their concerns by means of referendum votes taken at the annual elections for municipal representatives. Voters will be invited to show their support or their opposition to the arms race by means of a simple ballot.

But is it so simple?

In British Columbia there has arisen a smokescreen of administrative harassment. Such a vote is against the law. Such a vote is not consonant with the terms of the Municipal Act. An election which included such a vote might be interpreted as illegal and require a new election. These are among the responses received by those who have advocated a referendum. And the government is silent.

The provincial government does not appear to share the concerns of those who find nuclear armaments unconscionable. The referendum would have encountered few obstacles if the province had supported the principle of such a vote.

When the Capital Regional Board presented island voters with a referendum on the validity of the Islands Trust several years ago, there was no challenge to the propriety of the accompanying election ballots. Yet, the region was acting beyond its authority in presenting that referendum.

To those who find the nuclear obsession unconscionable, the evasiveness of the province in the face of constant pleas for a referendum might imply a dedication to nuclear arms.

Let's have the vote and find out exactly how the ordinary small-time, small-town Canadian sees the modern-day nuclear lemmings.

We have our own mountain to climb

The fact that Air Canada provided substantial financing for the Canadian Mount Everest expedition is evidence that greater control is needed over spending by crown corporations.

The airline spent over \$300,000 financing the climb, a nonsensical expenditure considering the state of Canada's economy.

As one observer put it in a poll conducted last week by a Vancouver radio station, we have our own mountain to climb right here at home, one of rising unemployment and a sick economy that appears a long way from recovery.

Now is the time for Ottawa to move, before other crown corporations put money into projects that provide no possible benefit whatsoever to the Canadian taxpayer.

What rot

It must have been difficult for the Nova Scotia government to admit that the 19-year-old *Bluenose II*, its replica of the famous racing schooner, is in extremely bad shape. Evidently, a \$250,000 refit a few years ago was insufficient to maintain the vessel.

The government's embarrassment was obvious when one official was quoted as saying recently that there is "deterioration of the fabric of the wood."

What a wonderful way of saying she's rotten.



Bill Webster

We gave thanks while 1,680 died of starvation

Irony abounds this week. Monday marked that most North American of feasts, Thanksgiving. Tables were set across Canada. Turkey, ham, sweet potatoes and plain potatoes caused the boards to truly groan.

The feast celebrates the bountiful harvest. We thank our God for plenty.

Here in the Gulf Islands, the sun shone brightly on our beautiful home. We have the plenty, the beauty and good friends; we have reason to be thankful.

Saturday marks World Food Day.

The difference between the two days bridges more than four days; it bridges the gap between satisfied appetites and starvation.

Consider the hour spent at the Thanksgiving meal as food in plenty was consumed.

Consider the hour spent at the Thanksgiving meal as 1,680 people around the world died of starvation.

Consider the hour spent at the Thanksgiving meal as 1,260 of those deaths involved children.

Hunger stalks the earth

Hunger stalks this earth of ours even as we possess the

means to feed nearly twice the population.

Hunger stalks its victims who are trapped by poverty.

World Food Day was first marked on October 16, 1981. It was created to draw attention to the dimensions of the problems of hunger and starvation around the world.

Problem not insurmountable

The problem is not insurmountable; it can be beaten if sufficient numbers of people commit themselves to doing something about it.

While only four countries in the world, Canada, the United States, Australia and Argentina, produce more food than their citizens consume, other countries possess the land suitable for food growth to ease the plight of the hungry.

The technology of farming has leaped forward to the point where deserts of the world blossom with produce.

The situation will not be corrected by merely shipping excess food to the hungry nations. The long-term answer lies in assisting the poorer nations towards self-reliance.

Yet that goal, self-reliance, is not the answer for few nations have the land, the water or the know-how to grow everything they need to feed the people.

The situation calls for sharing technology, skills, capital as well as determination.

Canada is currently involved in that sharing process. We contribute, through government and voluntary funding, to agricultural development projects in many poorer countries.

The World Food Day organization in Ottawa has noted: "The world has the money, the resources and the technology to feed its hungry millions. All it needs is the commitment to make these accessible everywhere. With that commitment will come food for all."

Thanksgiving

World Food Day offers each of us the opportunity to truly celebrate Thanksgiving by learning about the problems of hunger, by finding out what each of us can do, individually and collectively.

The problem is clearly identified and the solution is within reach, but we must want to help.

Prisoner's release sought

Sir,
Following letter to the International Campaign-Massera was submitted for publication.

The Salt Spring Island Pastoral Charge of the United Church of Canada joins the Roman Catholic Parish and the Anglican Parish of Salt Spring Island, British Columbia, in support of the International Campaign to obtain the release of Professor Jose Luis Massera from imprisonment in Uruguay.

Over 300 families are represented by all our pastoral charges and parishes combined; and we request Dr. Massera's release in the name of Christ, and for the sake of all that is humane and civilized.

REV. ALLISTER N. SKINNER,
Ganges.
October 2, 1982.

Venture an unqualified success

Sir,
Our first Swap and Shop venture was an unqualified success, and on behalf of the Gulf Islands Handicapped Society I would like to thank the general public, the vendors, and those kind islanders who donated quality goods for the two tables of the GIHS.

Special thanks to Les Ramsey of Pharmasave and Bev Norman of Isabella Point for their most generous support and to our very able Assistant Director whose dream child became a reality.

BRYAN SMITH,
Director, GIHS.
October 12, 1982.



Tony Richards

TWO FORMER SALT SPRING residents are combining their talents in the production of a play in Vancouver.

Playwright Charles Tidler of Courtenay has written a play that will use a musical accompaniment by Brian Fullerton of Seattle.

Charles used to run a landscaping business here while Brian spent many years sailing coastal waters on his rebuilt lifeboat *Nepenthe*. Before Brian got the boat, it spent many years on the beach at Portlock Point on Prevost Island.

SPEAKING OF BOATS, fisherman Bruce Hildred picked up an old seine boat in Nanaimo recently. About 60 feet in length, the boat appears to be in A-1 condition.

It is powered by a six-cylinder Gardner diesel, and has a freezer unit which is run by a Perkins diesel. Bruce plans to use his new ship for prawn and tuna fishing.

THE VICTORIA TIMES-COLONIST has been under fire from Sealand general manager Angus Matthews for its coverage of the death of the killer whale Haida.

In particular, Matthews was upset about the newspaper's story which quoted a cetologist as saying that Haida's death was suicide.

I don't blame Sealand for being upset about such inane remarks, but to blame the paper is ridiculous. I was very interested to read the scientist's observations and I suspect many others were as well.

And I'm sure I wasn't the only one who found the references to suicide as complete and utter nonsense.

ANOTHER STORY in another newspaper

Letters to the Editor

Sealand has done more to help marine life than any other organization

Sir,
Mr. Wright and his staff at Sealand need to be commended for a job well done over the years. Recent events have indeed been unfortunate, however it will be a much darker day for our local marine animals and the public should the Sealand facility remain closed.

I, like many, was distressed to hear of Haida's death. I am even more distressed to hear that Sealand may be closing its doors as a result of all the hype over the issues involved around Haida's release and the capture of a replacement killer whale. Sealand over the years has performed a matchless service in educating and informing the public through their aquatic presentations.

Their unique approach has given thousands of children and citizens of all ages a chance to get a first-hand look at what marine animals are all about.

Several years ago on the advice of a Fish and Wildlife official I was called upon to pick up a baby harbour seal that had been abandoned by its mother and was hanging around a float in the Gulf Islands and slowly starving to death. The only place it could be taken where it could get proper care and stand a chance of surviving was Sealand in Victoria.

I picked up the little critter and flew him to Sealand in the back seat of my floatplane. The Sealand staff took him in with open arms and immediately fed him and

placed him in a pool with a couple of other orphans. The little fellow survived and was returned to the sea when he was old enough and big enough to fend for himself.

Several days later I had the occasion to fly Mr. Wright up to Menzies Bay to view a reported baby orca that was injured and dying. We all know the story of Miracle. Unfortunately, some jerk brought an untimely end to her life through an ignorant act.

Sealand, through its programs, has done more to help our coastal marine animals than any other

organization, public, private or controversial. Sealand is, in effect, our only marine animal shelter. I do not believe that Fish and Wildlife maintain any such facility and I'd be willing to bet that Greenpeace has injured more marine animals zipping around in their little rubber boats than they have ever cared for.

Let's see some support to keep this fine facility going. To lose it will be a loss for us all.

ED DAVIS,
R.R.1 Tripp Road,
Ganges.
October 12, 1982.

What's being done about water?

Sir,
Several times yearly, there appear in *Driftwood* letters to the editor, editorials and articles regarding water on Salt Spring.

One or the other, or each and every one refers to water quality and quantity.

There are many voices, mostly critically inclined toward various misuses of this valuable, and unique island legacy.

The most recent article in *Driftwood's* issue of September 29, 1982, refers to the high quality of water from Maxwell Lake. After recent testings it warns of the lake's meager size; the dangers of watershed disturbances; overuse;

and of course pollution.

Most importantly it warns that Maxwell Lake and its watershed be protected, now and for the immediate future, so that the water quality can be maintained without deterioration.

Now for my question, which takes me back to the other articles and criticisms:

Is there anything being done about it today? Is there a group, local or provincial, that is preserving this gem-like body of life-giving water on our island?

AL BLACK,
Box 858,
Ganges.
October 8, 1982.

Old buck started to trust

Sir,
When the land was cleared, the deer used to come and watch the roaring machines tearing at the earth and when they had quieted, the deer would stay to browse on the tender tips of the fallen alders. After a while, they became so used to the machines and the men that when one of the catskinners walked over and laid a hand on the back of the biggest buck, a four-pointer with a greying muzzle, he just stood there quietly for a minute and then walked slowly away, seemingly without fear.

Later when the cleared land was worked and seeded to pasture, the deer would come in the evening in groups to graze gently on the new grass. Nearly always, the big old four-pointer would be there too. They seemed to like the new meadow with its open space where they could see all that approached.

Residents of the island took to driving out to the meadow just at dusk. They would stop their cars for a few minutes and watch the deer and the deer would stop and look at the cars, twitch their ears and go back to the grass. They were learning that the meadow was a safe place.

In late summer, the owner of the land posted signs all around the meadow saying "No Hunting" in garish orange letters. It spoiled the view a bit but that place had become loved by a lot of deer and a lot of people. The old grey four-pointer was something of a

Peace group to stage rally

Sir,
Peace is of great concern to groups and individuals around the world.

Members of the Cowichan Connection for Peace feel the arms race and the development of nuclear weapons are a direct threat to members of our community. Vancouver Island and lower mainland communities are now at the centre of a deadly triangle with the Comox base at the tip, and with a heavily populated urban target centre and now the Trident base at Bangor, Washington, forming the bases.

We wish to both add our voices to the universal calls for peace and disarmament and to awaken others to the current threats. We are most interested in supporting the November community referenda on disarmament.

To this end we have formed our non-profit, non-denominational group and are organizing a march and rally to be held in Duncan October 30 during Disarmament Week.

Speakers, entertainment and discussions will be featured during the march and rally.

If you as an individual or the membership of your group, council or organization stand truly concerned about peace or would like to learn more about the arms race, the call for disarmament and the Canada-wide community referenda on disarmament, we would appreciate your representation at this very important march and rally.

Please let us know if you will attend and in what ways you can contribute.

NICOLE OLIVIER (748-4997),
BEV WIERAN (748-2465),
BRIAN MILLS (246-9030),
Cowichan Connection for Peace,
Duncan.
August 30, 1982.

landmark and everyone knew him. The stench of decaying flesh led the men to the carcass at the side of the road. Someone remembered hearing shots and seeing a truck on the road a few days earlier. Perhaps the hunter thought he had missed or perhaps he'd had enough to drink that he didn't care to look for the animal he'd shot. The big old buck was still there and the hunter was a local resident so nothing much was said that time. Things got back to normal in a few days.

Late at night, the headlights of another truck light up the meadow and three shots boom out. The men frantically drag the deer over to the road and heave it into the truck. They were warned off the property that afternoon and they've got their third deer today, they've got to get going before anyone can identify them.

But at least they've got their third deer today, one apiece, and their wives in town will be pleased and they'll be heroes to their kids. If the meat is a little tough and it's a little gamey from not being dressed soon enough, well that's the way venison tastes, isn't it?

The deer will probably come back next year. They really don't have very good memories. But people do and they'll miss that big old buck, the one that started to trust them too much.

KEN GILLESPIE,
Saturna Island.
October 2, 1982.

Other men's whims

Sir,
Your September 29 *Driftwood* tells of the warning re the wearing of seatbelts.

Isn't it strange how this enlightened society allows some to kill themselves climbing mountains, or by racing cars, or committing slow suicide by smoking and then makes others wear seat belts and crash helmets. The RCMP should not have to waste their time enforcing some man's whims.

Every 50 years we should have a really big holiday and burn all the statues and start all over again. Perhaps smoking, while driving, makes seat belts necessary.

CHAS. J. GARDNER,
R.R.1 Galiano.
September 23, 1982.

REPORT FROM THE COMMONS

Dome has been bailed out but how about ordinary Canadians?

BY JIM MANLY, MP

As the year moves deeper into the fall, the sense of economic anxiety grows throughout British Columbia, and across Canada.

Motorists will pay more at the gas pumps so that the Liberal government can finance its billion-dollar bail-out of Dome Petroleum, and the chartered banks. Only last month Trudeau denied that any such bail-out was in the works.

Now that it is an accomplished fact, Trudeau puts on a brave face and pretends that it is an investment in Canada's energy security. The bail-out is roughly equivalent to a millionaire father covering his son's gambling debts. But it's you and I who will have to pay for the gambling debts of Smilin' Jack Gallagher, not Trudeau.

In the meantime, thousands of workers have reached, or are reaching the end of their Unemployment Insurance benefits. Although a billion dollars was found to refinance Dome, no money has yet been found to extend UIC payments.

APPEAR HELPLESS

Trudeau and Employment Minister Axworthy have both acknowledged that it is going to be a long hard winter for many Canadians, but they appear helpless to do anything about it. The government no longer even pretends that job prospects will improve before next year at this time. After the September Cabinet meeting, Axworthy said, "We hope to see some upturn by mid-83 or the third-quarter of 83".

In our riding some woodworkers who were laid off last summer at B.C. Forest Products, Honeymoon Bay, or other mills have already exhausted their UIC claims. Many more people will be

More Letters to the Editor
Teachers troubled by areas of new bill

Sir,
I am writing on behalf of the Gulf Islands Teachers' Association to express our deep concern with Bill 89 - the School Services (Interim) Act which was passed in the Legislature last week. The Bill, which has required a great deal of interpretation, includes four main areas which trouble the teachers of the Gulf Islands.

The first is that the Act overrides the legal contract made between the teachers and the School Board of this district. Contracts are a foundation of our society. To break the sanctity of a contract is reprehensible. The second is that the punitive

measures of the Act deal only with teachers. Those employees of the School Board who are covered by a collective agreement, i.e., union personnel, are not directly affected by the Act. As teachers, we are confused and angry that we have been singled out to receive this special treatment by our government.

Our third area of concern has to do with the government's use of extortion. We in the Gulf Islands have adhered to all the rules of previous restraint programs. Our School Board has been able to meet all budget cuts for 1982. Bill 89, however, dictates that the teachers must negotiate with our

Board to take a one day's cut in pay. Failure to do so by October 15 will result in an automatic cut of six days' pay. How can this be called negotiations? What is the purpose of this punitive cut for the teachers of our district?

Our last point about Bill 89 is that it does not come close to solving the problem of funding for 1983. Teachers are being forced to give up a minimum of five days' pay next year. In the Gulf Islands this will result in a savings of approximately \$60,000. However, even the most modest estimate for the budget shortfall is \$200,000.

From what source is the rest of this money to come? The only answer can be that pressure must be brought to bear on the government itself to increase its spending in public education.
BOB BROWNSWORD,
Vice-President, Gulf Islands Teachers' Association.
October 12, 1982.

One group blamed for recession

Sir,
Years ago, a forceful man with a funny moustache convinced the people of this nation that all of their economic woes were caused by one group of people. The economic situation was painfully obvious, but convincing millions of people of the singular cause took oratorical skill and a strong personality.

Sound familiar? It should. We are presently being brainwashed by another powerful public speaker into believing that the main cause of British Columbia's recession lies on the shoulders of one group.

It does not surprise me that so many people believe Mr. Vander Zalm's rhetoric. He is a crafty politician. What does concern me is that he may actually believe half of what he says.

JOHN CALLAS,
Ganges.
October, 1982.

'A damn-fool technicality'

Following letter to Stuart Hodgson, chairman of the B.C. Ferry Corporation, was submitted for publication.

I wrote to you on September 14 to advise that the cancellation of the one late ferry a week had adversely affected the lifestyle for 6,000 people on Salt Spring Island. I suggested an alternate schedule which would allow cultural and recreational activities made possible with late sailings on Saturday and Sunday. The rescheduling could be accomplished without the necessity for overtime if the corporation management and the union undertook, with any degree of goodwill, to negotiate a simple exception to the 24-hour shift clause in the agreement.

Since your subordinates appear to be incapable or unwilling to resolve this simple issue in the interest of the public we requested your intervention.

There has been no reply to my letter.
Your general manager, Mr.

Baldwin, is quoted in our local paper as saying "it was our opinion that a permanent year-round schedule was accepted by the majority of Island residents and would therefore be in effect." This conclusion is, of course, utter nonsense. It ignores the fact that Mr. Ramsey, who met with our Islands Trust and other Salt Spring representatives, had to be reminded to pick up the petition with hundreds of signatures protesting the discontinuation of the Friday night late sailing.

Mr. Baldwin said, "The service could not be provided because of financial restraint." The truth is that no one at the corporation has been imaginative enough or interested in overcoming a damn-fool technicality in the interest of the travelling public.

I would appreciate the courtesy of a reply.
P.A. TIERNAN,
368 Old Scott Rd.
Ganges.
October 9, 1982.

Right to quality education

Sir,
I've been thinking a great deal about my first child due to be born any day now. I hope to provide that child, of course, with food and shelter. Equally important is an education through which the child may reach a full potential and thus have the greatest number of options when entering the work force.

Yes, my child must be taught Reading, Arithmetic and Writing - but that's not enough. I want him to receive individual help from the teacher, to receive learning or special assistance when necessary, to be given enrichment activities if he will benefit, to experience a physical as well as a mental education, to have the choice of participation in a variety of clubs and sports and to be exposed to changes in technology.

I want him to be prepared for a job that likely does not now exist. To me these things are more important than B.C. Place, Pier B.C., coal in the northeast... I have no say in what my child is taught, or how. Neither does our School Board or our teachers. I'm

told by the provincial government that there isn't enough money for a quality education for my child, that there will be no days for me to arrange a parent-teacher interview and that field trips aren't necessary. They say that my child's teacher can easily give my child individual attention even if there are more and more children in the classroom; that the teacher doesn't need professional days to keep up with changes in education and the best teachers can be had for less money.

They say there is even more room for economic cutbacks in the schools and have now legislated against those who disagree.

These dishonest and irresponsible actions on the part of the government will harm my child's right to a quality education. Perhaps they'll listen to the priorities of parents, teachers and trustees in the upcoming weeks. If not, may they suffer at the polls.

JOHN CAMERON,
P.P.1 Ganges.
October 11, 1982.

disqualified in October, November and December.

Al Carle of the IWA local in Victoria wonders how the department of human welfare will cope with the needs of these workers and their families after UIC has finished with them.

An estimated 500,000 workers will come to the end of their UIC payments before Christmas, but Axworthy thinks the situation has been exaggerated. He claims that in the past, 30% to 40% of such "exhaustees" have been able to find work within four or five weeks of being disqualified.

Obviously, Axworthy doesn't know what it's like to have UIC payments run out, and be told not to worry, "a third of you should be able to find work in a month or so." And our minister of unemployment ignores the fact that there are many more unemployed, and far fewer jobs this year than last year.

I have written him, urging that he change the Unemployment Insurance Act to extend the benefit period beyond the existing cut-off period.

WARNING SYSTEM SET UP

Axworthy's most positive response to the problem has been to set up a computer warning system to inform those who are running out of benefits. He hopes to place some of them on make-work projects for a period of time long enough for them to requalify for benefits.

This do-nothing approach of the

government offers an affront to the unemployed that is equal to the loss of their participation in producing goods and services.

The government must act to revive the economy and put Canadians back to work. It needs to provide short-term stimuli to create jobs now in such sectors as the housing industry. It needs to develop a long-term industrial strategy so that we won't be the helpless pawns of international markets.

Above all, our government needs to see the economy not as an abstraction of graphs, charts and tables, but as a way of organizing society so that all people can have a fair share of the goods and services we produce.

The word economy comes from two Greek words that mean roughly "laws of the household". The first law of the household must be that everyone contributes a fair share and gets a fair share. At present, the two million unemployed in Canada cannot contribute their fair share and they certainly are not receiving their fair share.

The government recognized the possibility of financial disaster if Dome was allowed to default on its loans. Why can't it recognize the greater disaster taking place in the lives of men and women, boys and girls, when there is no work.

If the Liberals can find \$1 billion to bail out Dome, surely they can find the money to help ordinary Canadians through the winter.

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Book Review

The prose of government falls by the way

BY FRANK RICHARDS

Debates of the Legislative Assembly, Edited by W.K. Davidson. Queen's Printer, Victoria.

Most anthologies offer us a collection of thoughts, often without speech. This represents a collection of speeches, often without thought. Every reader will recall collections of work which have stayed with him as the result of some contribution hitherto unrecorded, but meriting a wider audience than the writer's desk.

Few readers will find any contribution in these pages which they would want to memorize or quote.

This is the work of 57 potential contributors, although only 29 principal authors are included.

The anthology is worthy of collection for its open analysis of the wise and witty men who guide this great province into its great future. It is the fruit of debate and discussion in the British Columbia legislature. It is the ultimate of literary accomplishment in this province.

The record of debate in the

Victoria assembly should scintillate. With wits from every corner of the province, the quality of writing should be beyond any to be found elsewhere in British Columbia. The reader may well decide that this work, or these works, are, in fact, far above the provincial average. And if he does, then heaven help us!

There is nothing that scintillates. Instead of the starry glitter of rhetoric and debate at their ultimate we find the muddied dinginess of dull expression, dully delivered.

INCENSED

I was particularly incensed in this edition to read of a leader of this province quoting a justly famous German writer without paying tribute to the author. Were the statement coming from a minor administration, the omission would not merit comment. But when an authority is cited in the heart of the government halls of this province, I feel quite strongly that credit should be given where credit is very clearly due.

Lorne Nicolson, of Nelson-Creston, offered his colleagues in the assembly the experience of Pastor Martin Niemoller, a victim of the Nazi regime during the Second World War.

The Protestant minister spoke bitterly when he recalled that when the German government of the day arrested various classes of people, he was silent because he was not among those classes. When the time came for his arrest it was too late, because there was no man left to speak for him.

This anthology lists Nicolson as referring to Martin Niemoller's bitter reminiscence as "the very famous saying."

I find that anonymous credit

unworthy of a leader of this province, waiting to have his wit and his wisdom recorded forever. If another man is worth quoting, he is worth identifying.

Unfortunately, some of the contributions are not worthy of crediting to any author. Such as the classic, "Step outside and say that, big mouth!"

Words spoken in anger and excitement, no doubt, and now to go down in history as samples of 20th century rhetoric!

No man is elected for his brilliance. Sometimes we all take

time to wonder what some men are elected for.

It becomes increasingly evident that rhetoric, brilliance in debate and command of the language are not part and parcel of governing.

As an historical record, the book is invaluable and the New Democratic Party might well take a bow for having initiated Hansard during its short term in government.

Someone, some day, might yet be taking a bow for legislating a higher level of debate.

It is high time.

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Anti-nuke group plans campaign

The Salt Spring Nuclear Disarmament Committee is organizing a community-wide campaign to educate voters on the topic of nuclear disarmament in anticipation of a November poll on the subject.

Don Erickson is the coordinator of the project. The committee plans door-to-door canvassing with Dr. Cheryl Levitt heading the effort.

Helping her as area coordinators are Maralyn Horsdal, south Salt Spring; Debbie Davies, Ganges; and Louise Beijk and Katherine Vezerian, Central and north end.

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THANKSGIVING

Today I woke up singing, "This is the day the Lord has made, Let us be glad and rejoice." It's a beautiful day - birds singing, sun shining, a little frost on the ground. What could be more beautiful or more stimulating than a fall day, crisp and golden, the sky so intense a blue you can scarcely believe it, a perfect foil for the gold and red leaves of tree and shrub.

When "the frost is on the pumpkin" we are stirred, not only by the beauty around us, but by a deeper feeling of thanksgiving and a quiet sense and appreciation of God's bounty, evident to us at this time of the year as we gather our harvest and store it carefully away for use during the coming winter.

As we gather, the feelings of thanksgiving and gratitude grow stronger within us and our thought reaches beyond the bounty of field and garden to acknowledge God's goodness in all aspects and every day of our lives. We find we have much to be grateful for in home and security; in brotherly love expressed to and from our fellow man; in the intelligence to meet each day's problems or decisions; in feeling God's ever-present loving care.

Mary Baker Eddy, who discovered and founded Christian Science, states in her book "Miscellany" (p. 164): "What is gratitude but a powerful camera obscura, a thing focusing light where love, memory, and all within the human heart is present to manifest light."

As we dwell on these thoughts of gratitude we know we can't, at the same time, hate anyone. Our thoughts are filled with love, joy and peace, and we include our family and friends in this aura of serenity.

While we are uplifted in thought with this prayer of praise let us include all mankind in our prayer, knowing that God is the Father of all. Man, the child of God, has always the opportunity to turn to God and find the love and intelligence he needs to solve his difficulties. — Jeanie H. Ryley

Application forms are now available for the BC Home Program.

Mortgage relief benefits apply to both new and existing mortgages.

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You qualify if you own a home in B.C. registered in your name in the Land Title Office or the Mobile Home Registry; you have any mortgages registered on title to that home which exceed 12% interest; and provided you live in the home as your principal place of residence.

How to apply:

You can now get an application form at any major financial institution in British Columbia: banks, trust companies, credit unions. You will also find there a brochure that describes the program and the application process in full detail.

Up to 100,000 British Columbia homeowners are expected to apply in the next several months for Program benefits. Because of this, processing your application will take some time. Applications will be processed as quickly as possible, in the order they are received. Be assured you will be paid any retroactive benefits to which you are entitled. You have up to a year (September 30, 1983) to apply for benefits against an existing mortgage.

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Ministry of Lands, Parks and Housing

Hon. Anthony J. Brummet, Minister





Driftwood photo by Bill Webster

Meaning changed by typo

The meaning of an Islands Trust resolution was completely changed by one typographical error last week.

Re-establishing the Trust as a regional district was the subject of the story, in which the word "now" became "not".

The story quoted Trust chairman John Rich as saying that any investigation of creating a separate municipality or regional district for or within the Trust area would not be inappropriate. It should have read the investigation would "now be inappropriate".

She won't seek third term

Norma Sealey will not seek a third term as chairman of the Capital Regional Board.

At the last meeting of the board, Sealey explained that she was making an early announcement in order that members might have adequate time to arrange her replacement next year.

She did not make any reference to the possibility of her appointment to a further term as director.

The chairman is Mayor of the town of Sidney.

Wins scholarship

The Legion gave \$500 to Colleen Toynbee, not for her ability on the piano but as a scholarship for academic excellence. Branch 92 vice-president Dick Rudd enjoys the tune. Toynbee won the

scholarship for her endeavours at Gulf Islands Secondary School last year. She is now a first-year student at the University of Victoria.

Benefits up October 1

G.A.I.N benefits increase October 1 to reflect a rise in the cost of living.

The Guaranteed Available Income for Need program in British Columbia is aimed at handicapped persons as well as those over 65 years of age who are not eligible for the federal Old Age Security and the Guaranteed

Income Supplement.

A single person will receive \$533.69, an increase of 2.8% over the benefits of \$519.28 in effect since July. A couple will now receive \$975.74 which represents a 2.7% increase over the \$950.22 payments of the past few months.

The G.A.I.N. program is reviewed every three months by the provincial ministry of human resources in conjunction with the cost of living and adjusted accordingly.

Deadly killers

Water-related diseases such as cholera, typhoid and malaria are the deadly killers of 25 million people annually - many of them are children under the age of five. UNICEF is helping to provide the clean water and sanitation they need to survive with the Trick or Treat campaign this Hallowe'en.

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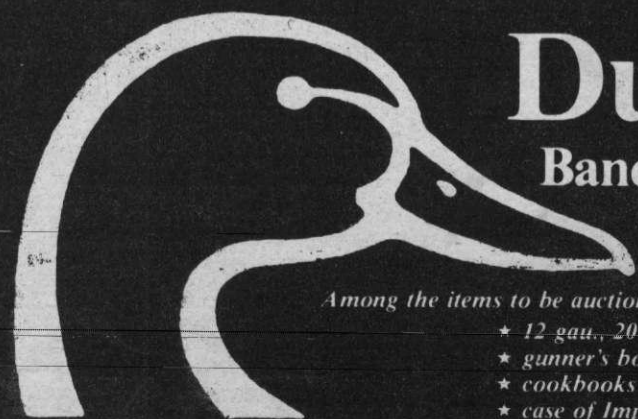
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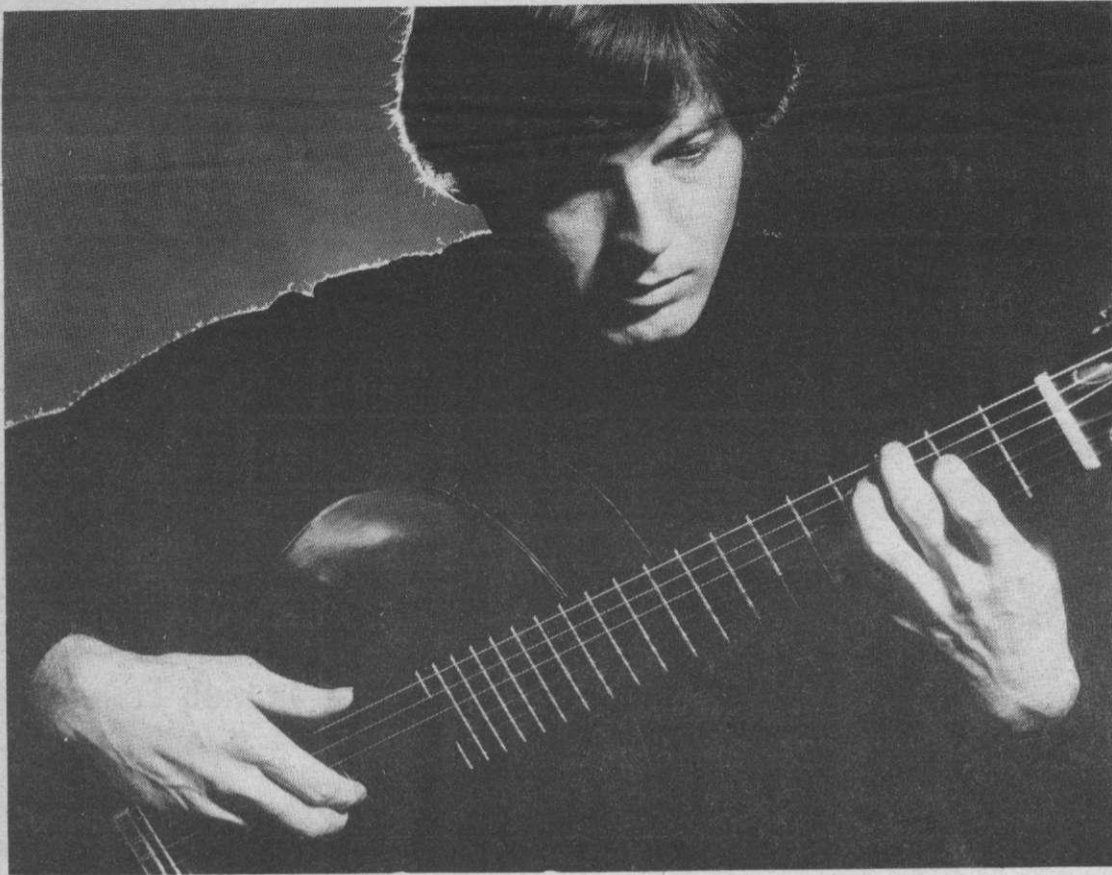
Among the items to be auctioned:

- * 12 gau., 20 gau. & single-shot 12 gau. shotguns;
- * gunner's box * 9 prints * miniature decoys
- * cookbooks * flotation vest
- * case of Imperial shotgun shells

We're also offering 22 raffle prizes, including:

- * a fishing trip with Bruce Fiander;
- * a 5-day charter on a 23-ft. sailboat; and
- * mounted photos of pintail and teal!

For further information & tickets: Don Harrison, G.I. Trading Co. Meat Dept.; Jack Reynolds, Ganges Auto Centre; Les Ramsey, Pharmasave; Gerry Bourdin, Fulford Inn.



Benefit concert

Classical guitarist Paul Banks returns to Salt Spring Island Friday to give a benefit concert for Amnesty International. The

concert will take place at the home of Hank Schubart on Old Scott Road and is being sponsored by the local AI action group. Island

musician Oscar Riley will also entertain at the affair, which begins at 8 pm.

Wildlife artist at Ganges Sunday

A Canadian painter whose success has been described as phenomenal will visit Salt Spring Island this weekend.

Wildlife artist Robert Bateman

will be on hand to meet the public at Volume II bookstore at 4 pm Sunday.

Bateman's exhibition, *Images of the Wild*, has drawn huge crowds

across the country. It drew over 119,000 during the six weeks it was shown in Edmonton, and 100,000 people saw it over the same period of time in Winnipeg.

The show opened this week at the Vancouver Museum for three months.

The Art of Robert Bateman, a collection of the artist's work, is now in its second printing.

Community band to meet on Monday at Ganges

The Salt Spring Community Band will commence for the season next Monday at 7 pm in the new band room at the high school in Ganges.

The meeting will establish a slate of officers and band policy. Any person, musician or supporter, who would like to see a community band on Salt Spring is urged to attend this meeting, says organizer Dwaine Prosk.

The Salt Spring Community Band was started by Prosk in October of 1981. During the initial year the band grew to 18 members and performed two community functions: Remembrance Day and

a Christmas carol sing-a-long.

Repertoire for this year will consist of music encompassing most styles. Membership is open to anyone who plays a brass, wind, string or percussion band instrument and has some musical experience.

Prosk will again be musical director and he asks that anyone interested should contact him for information.

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Fashion show Saturday

A fashion show and tea will be staged Saturday by the Madrona Club, Daughters of the Nile. Fashions will be supplied by Carolee's.

Proceeds from the show, which will take place at 2 pm in the Ganges activity centre, will go to the convalescent fund for young patients in the Shriners' hospitals for crippled and burned children.

Tickets for the show are \$3 and may be purchased from club members, at Carolee's or at the door.

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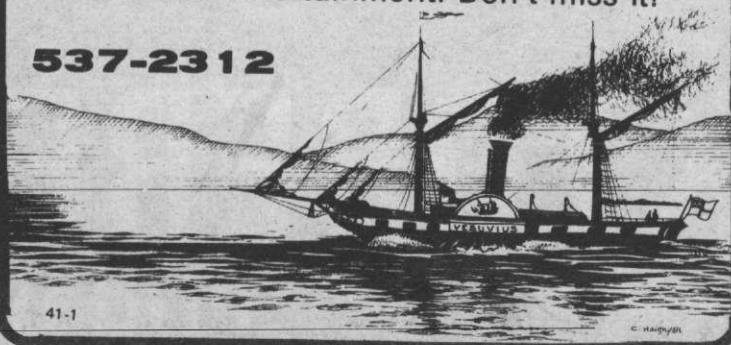
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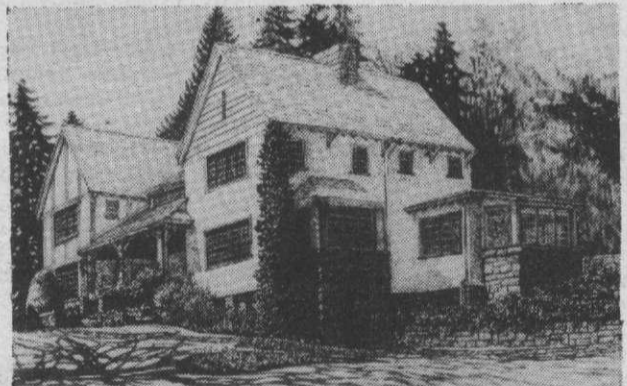
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Driftwood photo by Bill Webster



The Salt Spring Slugs: back row, from left, Allan Hardie, Gerry Price, Terry Stringer, Scott Bergstrom, Ray Bush, Peter

Huser. Front, Paul Sinclair, Ron Moger, Mark Hughes, Ian Jukes, Mel Topping. The six Slugs

missing are presumed to be either lying injured on the ice or signing autographs for their fans.

BY LUNK LOGGERHEAD

Finally, after all the litigation and licentious, lascivious libel, not to mention all the low-down, back-room lobbying, it's finally ready to hit the press. Here they are: Slug profiles '82-'83.

Danny "Low-life" Akerman (forward): Danny has replaced Peter Huser as Slug pin-up boy. A prolific one-way player on ice, off it he has forsaken the NDP to work for the WCC party in hopes of having a D-9 Cat installed as our next prime minister.

Pat "the Aristocrat" Akerman (forward): Having just moved into his new mansion replete with jacuzzi, sauna, and hot and cold running servants, Pat is now tasting the good life. Still the consummate hustler on and off ice, one has to be concerned how the ascot, smoking jacket and ermine skates will affect his play.

Scott "Boom Boom" Bergstrom (forward): Hopelessly misunderstood by players, wives and assorted citizens of the community, Scott labours under the heavy burden of being both a teacher and the head Slug - a double whammy if ever there was one. Always one to speak his mind, Scott has lately been campaigning for his good friend Bill Vander Zalm.

Ray "the Wildman" Bush (defence): Racy Ray, having shucked his arch-conservative financier-like image with his gutsy shenanigans at Summerland last spring, is this year's nomination as the Slugs' "wild and crazy" guy. Never one to let commitments get in the way of a good time, Ray will be contacting his lawyers upon reading this profile.

"Animated" Allan Hardie (defence): Last year's winner of the club booster award (a propeller) for his remarkable speed and effort on the ice, Al is a real digger with a

dead(ly) shot - when Al skates, the arena moves.

Mark "Farm Boy" Hughes (goalie): Mark is renowned for both his temper and naivete. After a great summer of gymnastic workouts in and around his trailer Mark should be in prime physical condition to lead the Slugs back to the top, but only if mommy continues to keep his gear clean.

Peter "the Jet" Huser (forward): Often the target of many an undesired cheap shot about his sordid private life and unsolicited contributions to the Hite Report, Sweet Pete has turned a new leaf and settled down to a life of blissful domesticity. Seriously considering a calling to the ministry, Pete often leads the pre-game prayer meeting at Vesuvius.

Ian "Crash" Jukes (defence): Famed for his spectacular collisions with posts, boards, referees, teammates and opposing forwards, Ian firmly subscribes to the crowbar method of stickhandling and passing. Often the centre of controversy on and off the ice, Ian continues to be a scapegoat for many of the club's players.

Ron "Mr. Statistician" Moger (forward): One of the more unorthodox Slugs, Ron spends his spare time winning scoring races, baying at the moon, and kissing his personal autographed picture of himself. Three years of playing with the Akermans have taken their toll on him as his haircut clearly shows.

Gerry "Who?" Price (forward):

Our resident goal-scoring standby, will soon find out that life on the Slug spareboard is not all it's made out to be. Apparently a fine, upstanding citizen, there is no doubt that he will quickly be dragged down into the sordid depths of Slugdom.

Bernie "the Block" Reynolds (forward): Last year's winner of the coveted "Granite Lump" for his zany imitation of the Statue of Liberty on skates, Bernie earned his wings by being a year-long Slug groupie. We'd like to trade him even up for a man-eating salmon, but at least Bernie has a better shot.

Gene "the Cruiser" Scown (forward): The Slugs' own inspirational Mr. Hustle, Gene takes the same attitude into his job with the B.C. Ferries. An inveterate hockey fanatic, Gene is bilingual: speaking English and Gretzkyese.

Paul "Captain Xenon" Sinclair (defence): Last year's winner of the "Incredible Hulk" Award for evenhanded play and sportsmanship, Paul has aged five years since he was named coach last year during a drunken brawl. A real one-man show, Paul is good enough to let us touch the puck once in a while as long as we give it back.

Len "the Lunchbucket" Sokol (caterer): A two-year member of the injured reserve list, Len continues to rest on his laurels, receiving dishonourable mention for having a complex that no one can understand. While recuperat-

ing from this latest bout of cerebral hemorrhoids, Len will continue to tend bar and look after club "social" matters and P.R.

Terry "Red Ink" Stringer (forward): The Slugs' astute and respected money manager, makes his most valuable contribution to the Slugs by being the team beerman. Beyond that nary a single controversial thing need be said for fear of incurring the wrath of his wife and son, who might not let him out to play.

Mel "Tank" Topping (forward): Club sponsor and health fanatic, Mel plays hockey the way his company sells real estate. Times being what they are, our sweaters are for sale - "vendor will carry". The Slugs took to Mel for the Sacred point of view.

"Tiptoe" Tommy Watson (forward): Nicknamed for his unusually deceptive skating style, Tom is a real team man with strong commitments to the important

things in life. Unfortunately, the Slugs aren't one of them. A tenacious forechecker, Tom is also moderator of the weekly bench speakeasy.

So there they are, for better or worse, Slugs '82-'83. Tune in for the year's ups and downs as the Slugs roller-coaster their way through yet another hockey season.

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Ganges meeting will acquaint residents with foster parenting

BY BILL WEBSTER

When crisis strikes a family and the children need assistance, a foster parenting organization stands ready to offer help.

The program in B.C. is supplied by the ministry of human resources and the Gulf Islands are covered by workers from the office in Sidney.

Lois Kelly is the social worker who directs the program for Salt Spring Island. She is looking for help in order to help children in need.

An information meeting will be held October 21 in the library of the Salt Spring Elementary School to acquaint people with the program as well as to tell them what is involved in being a foster parent.

"We're looking for people who might be interested in supplying homes for these children," said Kelly last week.

"I'm looking for the typical Canadian family that has room for one more child," she added.

Foster parents don't have to be professional social workers, she said, they just have to be able to care for children in crisis.

Children who need aid come from a wide variety of homes.

Kelly explained that she is looking for foster homes for teenagers as well as homes for use on an emergency basis.

The younger children are easiest to place, she said. Those children between 11 and 15 also need foster parents. Whatever the age, children come to the program for care for various reasons: death of one or both parents, abuse, both physical and sexual, neglect and because of family crises.

Consider the situation where a child and parent come into severe conflict. The child runs away from home but is returned by the police. Often the conflict cannot be resolved and the situation deteriorates to a point of physical abuse.

"When it gets to that point of crisis," said Kelly, "I need a home-right now."

The child is removed from the home and placed with foster parents. The foster home should be close to the parent so that the social worker can counsel parent and child in an effort to overcome the situation.

The need exists in the Gulf Islands as well as elsewhere, said Kelly. "Salt Spring is unique," she

said, "and certainly would be unique for foster parenting."

The upcoming meeting is to inform those interested in foster parenting. To go to the meeting is not a commitment, said Kelly. Those attending are under no obligation to become foster parents.

Should, however, a family be interested in opening their home to a child in need, several steps are taken before approval can be given.

The potential foster parents are given an orientation session and are interviewed in the home by a social worker. When approved, the name of the family goes into a central registry and when a home is needed that family will be called.

Some children need foster parents for a few weeks, said Kelly, while other children may need a permanent home.

"Many of these children are lonely and scared," she said, "and they just need a place to be safe."



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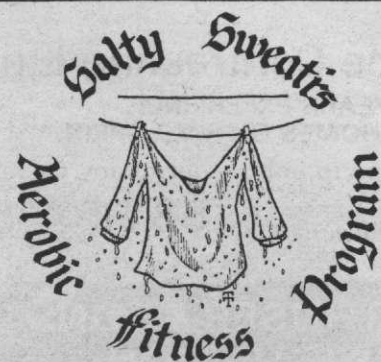
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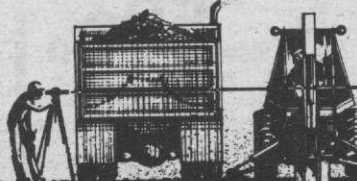
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The system will allow music to be piped through to the whole building or to any part of it through the intercom system, said IODE spokesman Alma McQuiggan.

The organization is asking for further support for the lodge by inviting residents to attend a smorgasbord luncheon and bridge party at St. George's Hall on Tuesday, Nov. 16. Tickets are \$5 for the affair, which begins at noon.

Those who wish to attend are asked to contact any member of the IODE. Luncheon arrangements are being handled by Ena Patrick, Margaret Howell and Anna Warrington.

Speaker at a recent meeting of the chapter was Ivan Mouat, who told of some of his experiences in northern Canada. He recalled the building of a community centre at Baker Lake in the Northwest Territories, the materials for which were donated by the IODE.

Under the supervision of Mouat and another man, the building was put together by young Eskimo men who had had no previous experience or training in construction.

The community effort, the meeting learned, showed what can be achieved through co-operation. The same kind of help is being sought by the local IODE chapter in raising funds for the Cancer Lodge, said McQuiggan this week.

Reward offered

B.C. Hydro is offering a reward of up to \$2,500 for information leading to the conviction of people who vandalize Hydro property.

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Hunting and fishing clubs have carried out education programs over the years in an effort to eliminate irresponsible shooting. Others can help by reporting to the nearest police or Hydro office any information which might help identify a vandal involved in a shooting incident, says Hydro.

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

Bridge winners

Gulf Islands Bridge Club winners October 4 were:

North-South: first, Margurite Hall and Bea Thompson; second, Dr. and Mrs. Hyslop; third, Helen Shandro and Audrey Allan; fourth, Don Nemeth and Dawny Scarfe.

East-West: first, May Whiten and Margaret Ellison; second, Corrine Forster and Gordon Best; third, Mary Clements and Dorothy Crofton; fourth, Taddy and Phil Tindle.

Tuesday night winners were: tied for first, Gordon Hutton and Irene Hawksworth and Dr. and Mrs. Hyslop; third, Dawny Scarfe and Gordon Best.

Married at Ganges church

Youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Kinnear of Salt Spring Island, Glynis Mavis, was married recently in Ganges United Church. Groom was Frederick Jon Thorgeirson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fridfinn Thorgeirson of Winnipeg.

Best man was Steve Oaks while the usher was the groom's brother Bruce.

Bridal attendant was Judy Swant and flower girl was the groom's niece Chrissy.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor-length wedding gown with rose lace net over nylon. Groom wore a brown tuxedo with a yellow rose.

Reception followed at the home of the bride's parents, where Ray Simard proposed the toast to the bride and Steve Oaks proposed the toast to the bridesmaid.

Out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mrs. F. Thorgeirson, Bruce Thorgeirson, Donna Czarneck and daughter Chrissy, all of Winnipeg, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Thorgeirson of Ottawa, Mrs. Robina Vanderlaan with son and daughter Brad and Jenny of Keswick and Cathy Anderson of Saskatoon.



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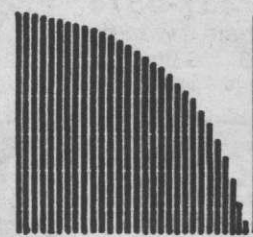
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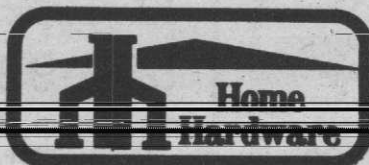
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Long, lovely spring blessing of this climate

One of the many blessings of our coastal climate is our long and lovely spring. Elsewhere, as those of us who have lived to the east of the mountains know, spring is a rather short interlude between a long winter and a torrid summer.

Not so here. Spring begins here with the lovely little winter aconite showing its deep yellow petals early in February. And I love the way the aconites hold their petals tightly closed at night and on cold days, only to open them wide in eager acceptance of the first warming rays of the sun.

An unfailing first messenger of spring, the three to four-inch-high winter aconite looks best in dense patches which spread slowly but surely at the base of large shrubs, especially when the first blossoms are followed by a dense mat of bright green leaves.

An excellent accent are random clumps of snowdrops which enhance the yellow and green carpet with their tiny white blossoms. Another excellent companion is the Siberian squill

with its loose spikes of intensely blue flowers.

Only about four to six inches tall, these also bloom in purplish pink, white and violet blue variations.

THEY'RE THE EARLIEST

These are the earliest of our spring flowering bulbs which are soon followed by a bewildering array of kinds, shapes and sizes of bulbs in a riot of colour spanning our long spring from its beginning to early summer.

Outstanding for fragrance and stately appearance are the hyacinths, which grow to about 12 inches tall in a wide colour range from white, cream, buff, salmon, red, pink, purple and many shades of blue. Their lovely, sweet fragrance can pervade the air around the garden in the most delightful way and individual florets of the large, dense flower spikes are often used by florists to lend their charm to a corsage.

Their blossoms are long-lasting outdoors, and indoors as cut flowers they bring their charm and

Farming and Gardening

BY PETER WEIS
Foxglove Nursery Consultant

sweet fragrance into our homes.

The early dwarf tulips, such as the Kaufmaniana and Greigii types with their broad strap-shaped leaves, some mottled and variegated in a most pleasing way, are excellent companions to the hyacinths.

PROVIDE LOVELY CONTRAST

These provide a lovely contrast in size and shape to the taller hyacinths.

And then, of course, we have our daffodils or narcissi, in the most fascinating variety of size and shape. Colours are basically yellow and white, but the combinations seem endless, with orange, red, pink and cream variations or large or small trumpet and petal arrangements.

On top of that, the flowers are either single, double or clustered on the stems which range from the miniature rock garden varieties to the stately King Alfred types. There are about 11 commonly recognized divisions in the narcissus family but they all have one thing in common: their blossoms all tend to face the sun. Take this into consideration when planting them.

Daffodils are so much a part of our lives all along the west coast that I can't imagine being without them. Outdoors, and indoors as a long-lasting cut flower, they light up our landscape and our table with their bright and cheerful sunny yellow.

TULIPS CONVEY FORMAL ELEGANCE

Even more bewildering in scope of size, shape and colour are the tulips. Where the daffodils seem to

me a cheerful, happy-go-lucky lot, the tulips always manage to convey a formal elegance to their surroundings, which is only exceeded by the four-foot-tall Crown Imperial or Frittilaria Imperialis.

There are many, many more and here I can only mention them without going into detail. There are the alums, anemones, bodia, crocus and chionodoxa (absolutely lovely), the freesias, ixias and Dutch irises, the oxalis, pushkinia and ranunculus, all part and parcel of our long and lovely spring riot.

All these bulbs are hardy and

most proliferate readily. They require only well-drained soil and part sun. A tablespoon of bonemeal per bulb will assure healthy blossoms.

They all look best in odd-numbered clusters or in large drifts and clumps of the same colour look far better than a chaotic mob of individuals. Plant bulbs at depths of three times the size of the bulb.

Lift bulbs, divide and re-plant when clumps become too dense to bloom properly and so take part in the celebration of our long and lovely spring.

GOLFING NEWS

Annual chicken shoot held by nine-hole ladies

BY PAT DOHERTY

In the ladies' nine-hole section at the Salt Spring Golf Club there were 16 players in their annual "chicken shoot".

Anne Sober took off with one chicken coming in with a neat 48, which also meant she got her pin for breaking 50. Vera Sarginson took home a bird for her second-place finish. Low putts award went to Fran Crampton, and Helen Welliver got a prize for reversing her putting skill of last week.

In the ladies' 18-hole division the prizes were turkeys instead of chickens. This is probably because they have more players, and therefore more money in the kitty. Mildred Gurney took the first bird with net 67, and Irene Hawksworth was runner-up with net 69.

Honourable mentions went to Ruby McConnell, Marjorie Russell and Helen Kernaghan who all recorded net 70's. The best

putter was Lil Rayner with 26.

The sheet is on the notice board for the Harvest Festival tournament on October 16, both nine-hole and 18-hole games are involved.

In the men's section, congratulations are in order for Eric Bracher who pulled off the old hole-in-one shot this week at number 2. Luckily for Eric there was only a small crowd at the club to help him celebrate as his hole-in-one insurance had elapsed.

Winter sports

During the 1920's, a favourite winter challenge when it snowed was to try to sled from the Cranberry Road turnoff, down Ganges Hill to Mahon Hall without assistance. A guard was posted at Drake Road to warn motorists but often proved unnecessary because the sledgers had the hill so slick that cars couldn't go up the hill.

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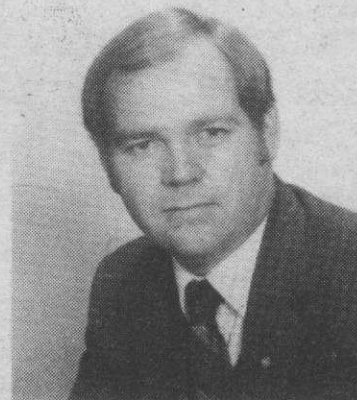
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APPOINTMENT

The Board of Directors are pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Raymond E. Bush to the position of General Manager.

Ray came to Island Savings in 1976 from Kelowna and District Credit Union. He has held the positions of Salt Spring Branch Manager and Manager of the Duncan Branch of Island Savings prior to this appointment.

Issue remains unsettled

Planner asks for statements of policy over home occupations

The vexing problem of home occupations has not been settled on Salt Spring Island.

On Monday afternoon the Salt Spring Island Advisory Planning Commission heard a report from planner Richard McKellar before hearing presentations from various island residents engaged in small commercial projects from their own homes.

McKellar summarized the legislation within the island zoning bylaw relating to home occupations. While the bylaw covers many aspects of such activities, said the planner, the two aspects of home occupations completely missing from the bylaw are the type of activity and the generation of nuisance. Neither consideration has been included.

The planner suggested that no

reasons for permitting home occupations have been made in the past, but that such a statement would be of value as a guide now and in the future.

Further statements regarding the reasons and objectives for controlling home occupations would be of equal value, he continued.

HELPFUL

A statement outlining the priority of objectives would be helpful, whereby the importance to the community of permitting or encouraging home occupations relative to the preservation of lake water quality or quiet enjoyment of their lots by neighbours would be set out. He asked the Advisory Planning Commission to prepare such statements in the reasons for permitting, encouraging and controlling the occupations as a preliminary to establishing priorities.

David Lott did not agree with the approach. It should be assumed that all home occupations are acceptable unless they present an objectionable aspect, he countered.

Jon Page spoke from the floor, explaining that he operates a small engine repair service on Ganges Hill. He had read the zoning bylaw before establishing a home occupation and his operation conforms to the terms of that bylaw. He is most aware of the problem of upsetting neighbours, said Page.

The need exists and has arisen from a lack of adequate services in the community, said the speaker.

"If a person is using his own tools and his own knowledge, he should be encouraged."

There would be a wave of unemployment if all home occupations were closed down, he warned. It does no harm and it should be encouraged.

Ross Vanwinkle told the commission that he works for B.C. Ferries as well as engaging in small

engine repairs. It is an auxiliary income, he said, which has been necessary as a result of the increase in interest rates.

"I bought a home at 10% and I have to pay 22% now."

His neighbours are supportive and the need for his small engine servicing is evidenced by the people who patronize his business.

Arvid Chalmers submitted that with a restricted rate of income on the island the operators at \$18 per hour are the only alternative to \$30 an hour and more.

The question will be further considered at next month's meeting of the commission.

Voters' lists are posted in islands

Any island resident who wishes to check the voters list may find one without effort. Lists are posted for the November civic elections on every island.

Salt Spring Island list is to be found at the following locations: Gulf Islands School Board Office, Mouat's Store, Fulford Post Office, Vesuvius General Store, Fernwood General Store, Court House.

The Outer Islands list is also available at the school board office and the Court House as well as, Galiano Island; Post Office and North Galiano Store; Mayne: Post Office; Pender: Post Office, Driftwood Store, Port Washington General Store and South Pender notice board; Saturna: Post Office and Community Hall.

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