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Committee may disband as members at odds

BY BILL WEBSTER

Cracks have appeared in the facade of the Ganges Citizens' Committee and the group may disband.

Frustration at attending meetings where nothing is accomplished as well as criticism of actions taken by the committee have combined to put members at odds with each other.

Paul Layard, representing Greenwoods on the committee, expressed his feelings on the

situation late in the meeting held last week: "We've been sitting here for almost two hours now getting into all sorts of procedural wrangles and so forth."

He said the seemingly endless talking was achieving very little for the committee.

The "procedural wrangles" came as a result of efforts by Mike Hayes, of the Ganges Property Owners and Tenants Association (GPOTA) to bring several motions to the group.

The GPOTA executive had met earlier this week and formulated several motions which Hayes had been presenting. But it wasn't the content of the motions which brought on the frustration so much as the way the meeting was being handled.

Ron McQuiggan, representing the Gulf Islands School Board, brought the dispute into the open.

"I am really tired of coming here to these meetings and not really getting anywhere," he said. "As far as I'm concerned we have got a potentially excellent solution which is probably, I would say for sure, the only one we can afford."

He said that based on the findings in the Underwood McLellan report, the committee didn't have any options other than the proposed sewer and ocean outfall. To consider going to Trincomali Channel, he noted, would mean more expense.

"All you've got to do is multiply how far it is from here to Walker Hook by about \$50 a foot...or \$10 a foot or \$5 a foot. We can't afford to go out there."

Hugh Borsman, regional director for Salt Spring, agreed that the committee seems to have served its usefulness. He noted that he financial structure, the referendum and the specified area were three of the major points remaining.

But, he said, the matters were beyond the jurisdiction of the committee.

Arvid Chalmers of the Sewer Alternatives Committee and chairman of the citizens' committee

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All was quiet for Easter

Easter weekend was a quiet time for RCMP in the Gulf Islands.

The Salt Spring detachment reports that no impaired drivers were evident and no 24-hour suspensions of driver's licences were handed out.

Meanwhile, on the Outer Islands, calm also prevailed. Corporal Hal Zech of the Pender detachment reported a quiet time on the islands. There were many people about, he said, but not much happened.

A small portable camp stove was stolen from a camper in Prior Park on Pender. RCMP are checking the matter.

Jimmy Carter is visitor

Former United States president Jimmy Carter was reported to be in Ganges last Tuesday.

Carter flew in for a brief visit, *Driftwood* was told, stopping at the Cottage Tea Room and the Camera Store in Mouat's Mall.

Pat Barnes of the Loom Room said she was on the telephone at the time and was "most distressed" at having missed the American visitor. She said he stopped and had coffee at Nita Brown's Cottage Tea Room and that Brown was going to have the chair bronzed.

In trying to get confirmation of the story, *Driftwood* contacted Jack Hughes of Gulf Island Water Taxi. He said he wasn't aware of the visit but said he did notice some peanut shells on the seaplane dock last week.

Another recent visitor to Salt Spring was another leadership candidate John Turner,

While he was here Turner went for a ride in Jack Hughes' horse-drawn taxi.

Curtis to mow lawn

Islands MLA Hugh Curtis will be mowing someone's lawn following an auction in Victoria early this week.

Curtis was one of 300 public works bidders in a community services auction being staged by the

used to offset a \$10,500 cut in funding from the human resources ministry.



Blossom time

Seven-year-old Alicia Middleton and six-year-old Jennifer Hill point out that it's apple blossom time in the islands. The two, students at Salt

Spring Elementary School, posed under an apple tree last Monday for a *Driftwood* photographer.

Driftwood photo by Alice Richards

Harpichord maker Ted Turner

Island man invited to China

A Pender Island resident has received an invitation from the People's Republic of China to spend two months in that country as a guest of the ministry of culture.

Harpichord maker Edward Turner will travel to China next March to teach harpichord construction to craftsmen in piano factories.

After the Chinese "cultural revolution" of the 1960's, the pendulum has swung back to establish an interest in western classical music. Music conservatory enrolment is large and with the expanding scope of conservatory curriculum has come an increased interest in the earlier music of Bach, Handel, Scarlatti and their contemporaries. Their music was composed when the harpichord was the predominant keyboard instrument.

China, says Turner. "As no conservatory program of Baroque music can be effective

without harpichords, there is a real need for Chinese instrument makers to gain the expertise required to construct harpichords for their conservatory students and performers."

Turner began making harpichords in the early 1970's when there was a resurgence of interest in Baroque music. His first

Daylight saving time

The sun (should it decide to shine) will go down an hour later Sunday when daylight saving time goes into

on Saturday night.

reproduction of an 18th century harpichord made its debut in a series of concerts in Vancouver in 1972.

Two years ago his work was recognized by a senior artist award from the Canada Council.

Turner, who will be accompanied on his trip by harpichordist Louise Spizzen, will take along a finished instrument. They will spend four weeks at the Central Conservatory of Music in Beijing (Peking) and four weeks at the Shanghai Conservatory. Spizzen will perform a series of recitals and instruct the students in harpichord playing techniques.

Turner hopes his trip will promote closer ties between Chinese and Canadian musicians and instrument makers. He believes that such exchange programmes will help ease tensions caused by

"When the exchange involves music," he says, "harmony will be the prime result."

Fernwood decision soon

Expansion of Fernwood School on Salt Spring Island is "very close to the top" of a list of priorities for capital expenditures by the ministry of education.

Finance Minister and islands MLA Hugh Curtis told *Driftwood* in an interview last Thursday that the Fernwood addition is one of about 10 projects around the province that will be considered in the next three to four weeks.

The Gulf Islands School District has been waiting for some time for money for the addition. Curtis said Education Minister Jack Heinrich had been asked to pare down a list of capital projects. When the scaled-down list was presented to the Treasury Board two weeks ago, Curtis said, Fernwood was on it.

Curtis said that while there is a freeze on capital spending by the

service the Gulf Islands."

The minister admitted that criticism over the difference in fares between highways ministry and B.C. Ferries vessels was valid. Fares on the highways ferries need to health, education and attorney-general's ministries, it's not "such a total freeze that nothing can get through."

Asked about a report on ferry service that was presented to cabinet recently, Curtis said he didn't yet know what the changes will be but expects them to be moderate.

"There is a clear understanding by (ferry corporation chairman Stu) Hodgson and the board of the importance of ferry service to the southern Gulf Islands," he said.

He also noted that the government has "an inherited and long-standing commitment to

continue to rise, he said, to catch up with those of the ferry corporation.

On the recent attempt to levy islanders for the Victoria transit system, Curtis said he was furious with the Victoria Region Transit Commission when he heard of the plan.

"Cabinet deserves kudos for that," Curtis said of the decision to exempt Gulf Islands residents from the levy.

He said there was no dissent among cabinet ministers in rejecting the plan.

Curtis was asked for his views on the bare land strata proposal at Musgrave Landing but declined to comment, not having seen the subdivision plan.

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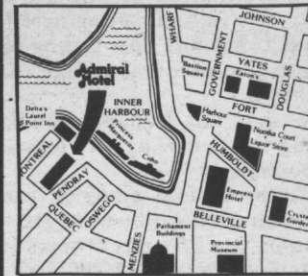
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Committee steers clear of sewage

The Salt Spring Island Trust Committee refused to discuss the Ganges sewage disposal problem when the matter came before it last week.

Bev Unger wanted to bring a sewer committee report before the meeting. The subject was on the agenda but when it came up it met

with opposition from other Islands Trust representatives.

Gordon Wallace, vice-chairman of the Trust and representative from North Pender Island, said, "I really resist discussions of Capital Region sewers at this committee."

The matter, he said, was out of the jurisdiction of the Islands Trust.

"We're getting ourselves into nothing but trouble if we become involved," he added.

Unger introduced a motion calling on the Trust Committee to contact the Waste Management Branch with an urging that they have the Gulf Islands School Board stop putting sewage into Ganges Harbour.

The motion died when no other member of the committee would second it.

Mike Humphries, chairman of the General Trust and representative from Lasqueti, said the matter was not part of Islands Trust business but they could bring influence and make noise about it.

He noted that the Waste Management Branch wouldn't act if the short-term solution was not workable.

The committee agreed to hear Arvid Chalmers, chairman of the Ganges Citizens' Committee and representative of the Sewer Alternatives Committee to that group.

He said the Trust would become indirectly involved in the sewage disposal problem through land use decisions when, or if, the sewer went in.

Wallace assured him that "when or if" the sewer went in, "density won't go out of sight." The Islands Trust can only lose, he said, regardless of what happens.

Unger expressed disappointment that the committee refused to use its influence "to preserve and protect."

Rezoning won't cost—Trust

Defining the actual limits of watershed zones on Salt Spring may cost property owners money but the subsequent rezoning applications won't.

The Salt Spring Island Trust Committee has agreed to waive the standard \$250 rezoning fee in the case of watershed boundaries. But the property owner would have to cover the cost of surveys to determine the location of the exact line.

When the watershed zones were first created, the lines followed property boundaries on zoning maps. The lines have little

resemblance to the actual land formations.

Nick Gilbert, Salt Spring Island Trust representative, told *Driftwood* this week that survey costs were an unfortunate aspect of straightening out the limits of watersheds.

He said that in fairness to property owners, the government which drew the lines in the first place should bear the costs of surveys to make sure the lines on the map match the contours of the land.

He suggested that the watershed areas of the island should be re-surveyed to show the actual limits.

Citizens' Committee

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said in an answer to the frustration, "My feeling as chair is that we have a very strict and established set of guidelines called the terms of reference that were drafted by this committee over a year ago."

He noted that the terms of reference had been accepted by the CRD and the ministry of municipal affairs. The representatives of the Sewer Alternatives Committee on the Citizens' Committee base their criticism of the committee's actions in endorsing the proposed sewer project as being against the terms of reference.

"You have a split committee," said Chalmers. "There's nothing else I can tell you."

Both Chalmers and Borsman suggested that members of the

committee take a couple of weeks to cool off before returning to the table.

Hayes said the motions which he had been presenting were meant as an attempt to heal the rift in the committee. "If this committee disbands," he said, "I tell you right now we are up to our ears in effluent."

He urged the members to stay and continue the debate no matter how frustrating it became. Otherwise, he said, the CRD would continue with the problem and the "CRD is not the forum for this debate."

The committee eventually agreed to bring engineer Steve McMinn back to a meeting to talk about how report fits with the terms of reference he had been given.

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A message to all members of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District from GIL MOUAT



As you know, I am standing for Trustee of the District for a 3 year term. This decision was prompted after I telephoned the District Office just prior to closing of nominations to be informed that no names had been submitted. Therefore as a user of the service and interested in the continued level of maintenance of the system, I felt it my responsibility to enter my name for this task. I feel that the District is under good stewardship of the present Trustees, however I firmly believe that other citizens and users should become more frequently involved. I encourage you as a member of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District to attend the Annual General Meeting on Monday, April 30, 1984, 8 pm, St. George's Church Hall to exercise your democratic right.

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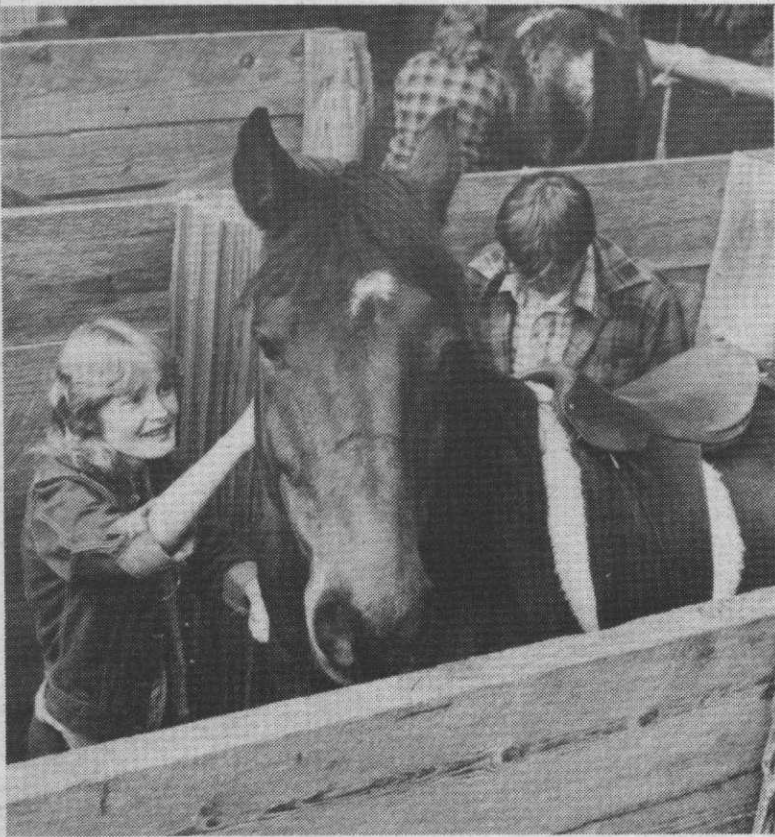
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In photo at right, Ann Caldwell gives Sheryl Luscombe a few tips at the Salt Spring Riding Club clinic held at the ring on Rainbow Rd. Saturday. Ann holds the horse mastership program for the club free of charge at a clinic held once a month for club members at the Rainbow ring. Left, Wendy Luscombe saddles up in the stalls available at the riding ring.

Driftwood photos by Alice Richards

Improvements to go ahead

The foundation of the school on Pender Island is wet and something has to be done.

Frank Sutherland, supervisor of works for the Gulf Islands School District, had planned to dig a diversion drain around the foundation to divert water away from the school.

Improvements in the foundation ventilation system have also been proposed. The improvements would cost about \$3,000.

But despite having applied for emergency funding from the ministry of education, the school board has not yet received a buck.

Sutherland was instructed to go ahead with the required improvements at a meeting of the school board last week. The money will come from another section of the operating budget and will be replaced when the emergency funds arrive from the ministry.

Apr. 25: Film: *How Much is Enough?*, nuclear decision-making of USA. 7:30, Peace Centre.
 Apr. 28: March for Peace, Vic. & Van., bus trans. avail. Sign up at Peace Centre or call 537-9251.
 Apr. 29: *Disarmament & Beyond* workshop, Langara Campus, Van. More info at Peace Centre.
 May 1: Women for Peace meet 7:30.
 May 2: Nuclear Disarmament meeting 7:30, Peace Centre.
 Pres. Litton Systems Canada says peace protestors are to blame for his company's failure to win the contract to produce guidance systems for the advance cruise missile.

Society sees income rise to \$284,790

The Salt Spring Community Society saw its income increase to \$284,790.09 in 1984, treasurer Jim Fogarty reported last week.

He was presenting his last treasurer's report to the annual meeting of the society. Fogarty has served four years on the board of directors and has to step aside according to the society's constitution.

Wages and contracts took up most of the income, he noted in his report. The society paid out \$230,000 for those items and in the process supplied employment for 85 people.

The 1983 income totalled \$266,000.

The society has a \$10,000 line of credit at Islands Savings Credit Union and uses it to cover operating expenses for the special services

program which can have a 60-day delay in receiving payments for services rendered.

The line of credit was used last year to cover a \$2,000 litigation over destruction of play equipment when the septic field had to be replaced where the playground is.

The society opened an administrative account last year, noted Fogarty. The account is used to pay for all business matters not directly related to the special government programs.

The account handles building income and expenses, finances programs started by the society as well as administrative expenses and contracts.

Fogarty told the meeting that the income and budget of the Community Society had more than doubled in the time he has been

treasurer. Two years before he joined the board, the income of the society stood at \$30,219.

"So, triple income in two years then more than double it in the next four years, that's quite rapid growth," he said.

He reminded the society that it is dealing with a government of proven skilful businessmen.

"The board must use equal negotiating skills to ensure for our community its fair share of available social services," he said, "and to ensure for our employees and contractors a fair return for their valuable services."

He ended his report by urging the board of directors as well as the society not to lose its "warm, human approach to all circumstances" in a time of rapid growth.

"This I think is one of the real challenges ahead for this board, to enter the period of a more highly organized society while maintaining the warm and human qualities more often associated with small close-knit groups."

When Fogarty had completed his report, the board of directors indicated their enthusiasm for the work he has given to the society by offering him an honorary position on the board of directors.

Singers mark anniversary

The Salt Spring Singers have something to sing about, this year being the 10th anniversary of the formation of the group. To celebrate both the anniversary and the arrival of spring, the Singers will give a concert Sunday evening.

Choral director Joy Johnsen has put together a varied program ranging from classical to folk, madrigal to musical comedy. The affair will begin with Schubert's *Sound the Trumpet* and conclude with a specially requested repeat performance of Wilhousky's *Battle Hymn of the Republic*.

Also on the bill is island guitarist

Peter Taschuk who will perform an interlude of works by J.S. Bach and H. Villa-Lobos.

The concert will be held at Mahon Hall and begins at 7:30 pm. Admission is by donation at the door. Islanders are reminded to set their clocks properly Saturday night so as not to miss the event.

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Watershed boundaries

It is unfortunate that the rains don't follow property boundaries. If the rainfall and the drainage patterns would conform to property lines the establishment of watersheds would be an easier matter.

For several years the designation of watersheds on Salt Spring Island has been a matter of dispute. The various planning maps of the island have outlined watersheds, but the boundaries are political rather than physical. The apparent failure of watersheds to conform to drawn boundary lines has brought some concern to the owners of land designated watershed by theory and felt to be anything but watershed by the practical owner.

When the Islands Trust committee on Salt Spring Island agreed to waive the customary fee for rezoning in the case of re-drawing watershed boundaries, it was noted that the cost of surveying the boundaries will be borne by the land owner.

The government drew the pattern in the first place, trustee Nick Gilbert told *Driftwood*, and it would seem only fair that the same government should be called on to meet the costs of setting out new boundary lines to correct the original mistakes.

While this is unarguable, the fact remains that getting the government to make good on the issue might be very much more arguable. But there is another aspect to the matter. If the error was made on Salt Spring Island when the maps were prepared, it is being made in respect of similar markings in other communities.

While it is too late to arrest the pattern on this island, we can only trust that the provincial government will be made aware of the costs and the disputes and the dissatisfaction which accompanied the routine followed here. And being aware of its shortcoming, the government, we would trust, will avoid the same error in the future.

Public meetings

Since there was a Gulf Islands School District the problem of calling meetings to enable the public to participate has represented a problem. Of course, had there been a line-up to get into the school board office for the meetings, the problem might well have been even greater.

The trustees have to travel between islands to get to board or committee meetings. This requires the setting of meetings during the day or accommodating trustees overnight in order to attend evening assemblies.

If there were evidence of large groups of people fighting to get to the meetings, the matter would be rather more urgent. In the past there have been many meetings, daytime and evening, when attendance was high and there was standing room only for the majority present. But this kind of enthusiastic attendance is only found when a controversy has arisen. In the ordinary routine there have been few visitors to school board meetings on Salt Spring Island. When trustees meet on the Outer Islands it is customary to find more people in attendance, but this may well be prompted by novelty. Regular meetings on other islands might well slow down to the same attendance as we have seen in the past.

The record shows that when a subject arises to demand urgent concern in the community, attendance rises whether the meetings are held in the day or evening.

The difficulty which accompanies evening meetings is that the selection of trustees meets another obstacle. The candidate for office who can attend a daytime meeting must be an islander with no demands on his time during the day. He must be able to walk out of the house and attend to the school district affairs. This limits the number of candidates.

But evening meetings require that many trustees will be called on to spend a night away from home in order to attend. This further cuts down on the availability of candidates.

This routine is simply another of the problems facing a marine community.



Letters to the Editor

News couldn't be worse

Sir,
As press and publicity officer for Amnesty International Group 72, here on Salt Spring, I can certainly sympathize with your decision not to print our most recent press release, timed to coincide with AI's renewed Campaign for the Abolition of Torture. The facts couldn't be grimmer; the news couldn't be worse: so far, more than one third of all the governments on the face of the earth have used or tolerated torture of prisoners in the 1980's.

In a major new report—*Torture in the Eighties*—AI cites allegations of torture and ill-treatment in some 98 countries—documenting complaints by victims in every region of the world, from security headquarters in Spain to prison cells in Iran, from secret police centres in Chile to special psychiatric hospitals in the Soviet Union. Not the sort of subject many of us would choose to dwell on as we flip through the local news.

Nevertheless, if we are to abolish this widespread, systematic use of torture by governments of every political description, the facts must be publicized as widely as possible. Revulsion at the extermination camps of the Second World War led to a convention outlawing genocide for all time, and today's torture chambers demand a similar international response.

Torture can be stopped. The international framework for its abolition exists. What is lacking is the political will of governments to stop torturing people.

Group 72 has given our library a copy of *Torture in the Eighties*. As well as the documented evidence of torture, it spells out a 12-Point Program for the Prevention of Torture. This is also available as a distributing widely. The various points in the program can be used as a test of a government's willingness to prevent torture.

Amnesty firmly believes that

where the political will exists, a government can stop torture. Over the next two years our group will participate in a special drive to eradicate torture and end cruelty to prisoners. AI invites people everywhere to join in massive letter-writing campaigns to officials in countries where prisoners are being tortured.

As this campaign unfolds, our group will provide opportunities for everyone in our community to add their voices to this swelling, worldwide demand that torture—wherever practised—be abolished now.

MURRAY REISS,
R.R. 1, Vesuvius Bay Rd.
April 1984.

Editor's note: Every attempt has been made in the past to publish news items relating to the work of Amnesty International. However, where such items contain little in the way of local news, priority is given to those stories that do.

Report available

Sir,
We invite any islander who wishes to read the full Minority Report from the Ganges Citizens' Committee to the CRD Board, to contact any of its signatories.

We call for a return to the terms of reference that have enabled the Citizens' Committee to work together for more than a year to seek a solution that is fiscally, environmentally, legally and politically acceptable to the people of Salt Spring Island.

To that end, we remain committed to the continued work of the Ganges Citizens' Committee.

ARVID CHALMERS
RAY HILL,
SHARON McCOLLOUGH,
ANDY ORKIN.
April 1984.

Participation sought

Sir,
This summer the Salt Spring Island Community Museum, presently housed in the Bittancourt Heritage House at the Farmers' Institute property on Rainbow Road, is planning to present a display of *Early Days on Salt Spring* for the 1984 summer season. This exhibit will cover aspects of pioneer life from the earliest settlers on the island up to 1900.

We will focus on early settlement patterns and individuals, farming, fruit growing, schools, churches, industries, postal service, general merchants and will try to present a general picture of what life was like on Salt Spring before the turn of the century.

An exhibit which illustrates the cultural phases of the Cowichan Indians who lived on the Gulf Islands both before and during the time of the early non-Indian settlers, will also be on display.

A further project of the Museum Society is the compilation of an album of family genealogies with photos of early settlers. This is an ongoing project which will need a great deal of help from the family members whose ancestors will be represented as well as from other interested, informed persons.

The aim of the Museum Society is to provide the public with as accurate and interesting a display as possible when the museum opens in late June. In order to achieve this, we wish to invite community participation.

Any information, articles or photographs which could contribute to this display will be gratefully received. Interested persons should contact Sandy Lucs, 537-9567, Frances Eide, 537-

SANDY LUCS,
Salt Spring Island
Community Museum.
April 1984.

More Letters to the Editor

Issue is survival

Sir,
Open letter to P.C.H. Cooke, naval veteran.
The views expressed in your letter to the editor last week regarding the Peace Petition Caravan Campaign make me, a campaign worker, believe that we are not getting the information across: your views are similar to a few of those I have met with during the past few weeks. There seems to be an unwillingness and/or inability to accept certain facts about the nuclear arms race.

1. The entire explosive output of WW II has been calculated at three megatons. There are approximately 18,000 megatons (6,000 WW IIs) dispersed in some 50,000 warheads in the world-wide nuclear arsenal (the U.S. and Russia are about equally equipped.) One Poseidon submarine carries nine megatons: one of the newer Tridents, based near Juan de Fuca Strait in Washington, carries 24 megatons.

2. Nuclear warheads are more lethal, pound-for-pound, than "conventional" explosives, because of the way the explosion takes place, and because of the after-effects including radioactive fallout and the virtual certainty of nuclear winter caused by the uncountable tons of soot and dust hurled upwards and carried to all parts of the atmosphere creating a world-wide "black-out" for months with temperatures dropping to the -20's C. (This could occur with the nearly simultaneous detonation of less than 1% of those 18,000 megatons.)

3. Thus, it becomes apparent that billions of dollars, countless tons of precious raw materials and inconceivable hours of human energy have been assigned to the research, development and production of entirely useless junk: it cannot be used for anything but the destruction of the planet—or the "threat" of that destruction.

4. Has this made the world a safer place? Do you feel more secure?

What the Peace Petition Caravan is attempting to do is to allow the Canadian people to make a statement to their political leaders: to voice opposition to Canada's participation in any further cruise missile testing; no further research, production, testing, or transport of any nuclear weapons, their delivery systems or components in Canada, i.e. a Nuclear Weapons Free Zone; to work for multi-lateral de-escalation; to divert wasteful spending on the arms-race to funding for human needs to ensure prosperity through peace; and to allow a free vote in Parliament on these issues.

I can appreciate the hardships and mortal dangers you (and hundreds of thousands of others faced) in your military service, but it will have been for nothing if the world is literally blown to disintegration because we were too weak to admit that we have made a mistake in allowing ourselves to be led to the very brink of extinction—a road to a truly "dead end".

The issue is not Capitalism vs Communism: it is survival.

RAY NEWMAN,
R.R. 3, Ganges.

April 18, 1984.

Sewer workshop

Following letter to the Ganges Citizens' Committee was submitted for publication.

I shall try to put down briefly the points I raised after your meeting with Mr. McMinn re Ganges Sewer. I had just returned from Vancouver where I attended a two-day workshop on municipal discharge.

McMinn's study being done during very wet weather: this is of great importance and value. Virtually everything I heard at the Vancouver meeting confirms that high run-off and heavy rains are what causes problems in waste disposal systems, and when they have not been designed for peak run-off there are overflows, spills and breakdowns in the system with resulting environmental pollution or damage during wet weather.

Seepage on to beach from land disposal vs effluent discharged through pipe in harbour: the beach and intertidal zone is exactly where you do not want to have contamination. The reason for having a pipe is to carry contaminated water out where it can be effectively mixed with and assimilated by currents and rendered harmless or useful by the natural forces in the sea.

Mr. McMinn pointed out that effluent is 99.99% water. It is important to remember that this is what will be going out the pipe, not solids.

Disease causing organisms: organisms which live at our body temperature are killed much more rapidly in cold, salty water of the sea than they would be on land or in fresh water.

Chlorination should be avoided if possible because it has a negative impact on the environment. It is toxic to marine organisms as well as the bacteria it is intended to kill. Efficient outfall can make chlorination unnecessary.

Keep sewage system as simple as possible: the more machinery you have the more chance there is of failure or breakdown of the system with harm to the environment, e.g. pumping to Trincomali Channel would almost certainly be more prone to failure due to all the pumps and pipe required. Power failures as well as mechanical failure anywhere in the system could cause it to stop functioning. Gravity feed where possible.

Heavy metals and other toxic materials, e.g. petroleum and insecticide: it is better to prevent these from going into the system at their source than to try to deal with their contamination later. We have very little industry, and with an aware and concerned population we should be able to keep most harmful substances out of the sewage.

If there is sufficient safe and suitable land available I would suggest having land disposal for the contents of recreation vehicle holding tanks (containing formaldehyde) and other substances that should not go into the sea. I would also suggest having a facility for boats to empty their sewage into so it could be removed to this site. Photo labs, dental offices and labs should probably have their sewage removed to such a site also.

Hospitals, if they don't get mercury from broken thermometers into

It would be possible only during seasons when the water table is low enough so the irrigation water can be completely absorbed and used. During wet weather the excess water should go out the pipe to prevent surface run-off which can't be controlled and drowning of crops, etc. The sea, via evaporation, mist, cloud and rain, may well be the best means of returning the water to the water table. This is nature's way of accomplishing it. We would be better directed in preserving and safeguarding our watersheds so that when the water comes back to us as rain it is not lost in fast run-off.

It is well to remember that there is no health problem, no outbreaks of communicable disease due to sewage outfalls in the Strait of Georgia area.

I would suggest that the tidal and current data needed to make an accurate assessment of exactly what would happen to water discharged from the present pipe and diffuser be obtained. If results are within safe limits I see no reason for not using the present pipe. If not safe or satisfactory such tests should be extensive enough to show us where, within a reasonable area, the current and depth are sufficient for efficient mixing so that environmental harm does not occur.

NANCY WIGEN,
Box 72, Fulford.
April 1984.

Article misinterpreted

Sir,
I am sorry that you misinterpreted my article concerning the play *Yew Moon, A Westcoast Fantasy*, and that in the process of editing some significant points were omitted.

The emphasis was not on the fact that the people involved had little previous theatre experience but on the fact that, "we all found we had skills and talents to share, often far beyond what we had expected to contribute". This was the source of "the learning and growing for everyone."

Secondly, one of our main purposes was not mentioned, i.e. our desire to create "transportable theatre." A play that can be taken to the children, wherever they are located; as opposed to bringing the audience into the traditional stage setting. We are doing four private performances in the schools and preschools on Salt Spring during the next week. This mobility has presented special challenges in set design and construction and staging.

Thirdly, the paragraph concerning audience participation became distorted. I see the challenge as being able to create audience participation theatre, without things becoming chaotic. To give the children the opportunity to express their reactions to the play without the story becoming lost. The key word is "opportunity".

I think it is a wonderful policy to invite members of the community to submit their own articles about their

activities. It would be appreciated if the truth and integrity of these articles were respected. Thank you.
YARROW SHEEHAN,
Ganges.
April 1984.

Why hurry?

Sir,
I applaud Mrs. Unger's letter about the Regional director's immodest haste in trying to get the sewer started. Why the hurry?

This project will have a tremendous impact on the liveability of our island, and needs very careful consideration before any work is done. It needs, first of all, an environmental impact study, what has been done so far to this end is superficial and probably worthless.

For example, if the Simon report is accurate the waters around our subdivision, Scott Point, may become polluted to the point where our water supply, which comes partly from the desalination of sea water, will be poisoned. Can we take a chance on a superficial study that says, in effect, all will be well?

The waters around Victoria have been contaminated since a sewer outfall was built. I understand that the waters around Fernwood and the North End are contaminated for the same reason.

Why is the regional director afraid to have such matters threshed out at a public meeting? If the property owners are to be assessed for this costly venture we need more light, not full speed ahead. This is democracy.

ANTHONY NETBOY,
Ganges.
April 16, 1984.



Bill Webster

Misinformation, week after week

In the spring, a young eagle's thoughts turn to—what else?

The inhabitants of the North Salt Spring Ferry Turn-Around waiting room were treated last week to the spectacle of a pair of eagles swooping and diving and carrying on in the ageless version of spring dance.

But then again, some of the inhabitants were engaged in the human version of that rite of renewal. But the actions of the eagles weren't confined to an enclosed room but took up all the space in the air that the pair figured was needed.

Finally, one of the big birds glided to a rest atop a fir tree to sit there preening feathers.

When the excitement of the flight was finished, the inhabitants turned to more serious pursuits.

Just when tranquility had settled once more over the waiting room, Louis Bolivar-Finchley came through the door.

"Well, my boy, I'm glad to see you," he intoned expansively in a way which let me know what problems lay ahead.

"There is something I want to discuss with you," he said, guiding me away from the video

"Why don't you write about what's going on with the Island Debating Society?" he asked.

"But I do," I replied. "Each week I present incomplete and often inaccurate coverage which contributes to continued misinformation and community dissension."

"No, no," Louis said in growing irritated. "Tell it like it is. Let people know about what goes on behind the scenes."

"But that's not my job," I replied, determined not to let him fluster me.

"My job is to ensure that the public receives a distorted view of the proceedings week after week after week...."

"And what good does that do?" he asked.

"Well, Louis, I hope it brings on anarchy which in turn would lead to revolt, followed by repression and ultimately to...."

"That's what I'm talking about," shouted Louis. He shouts a lot when I don't appear to be listening to him.

"Let the people know what's really happening. Don't be satisfied with reporting the facts. Get to the truth of the matter."

Several of the inhabitants turned to see what the new

excitement was all about and Louis pulled me deeper into the dark corner of the waiting room.

By this time, I was getting more than a bit miffed at Louis' insistence upon truth. So I turned the tables on him.

"But Louis, someone once said that truth is in the eye of the beholder," I said and waited.

"Who said that?" he asked indignantly.

"You did," was the soft reply. Louis, of course, cannot be put off so easily when his one-track mind gets itself into gear. He began a monologue which lasted well into the evening. The lights of the Crofton Air Pollution Plant twinkled across the water by the time he paused for breath.

Such self-important monologues allow me the opportunity to catch up on sleep. As the hours passed, Louis misinterpreted my nodding head as agreement to what he was saying.

It was the silence when he stopped speaking which woke me from pleasant slumber.

"And so," he said as he gathered his things in preparation to leave, "you'll heed

the matter. "That's well worth thinking about, Louis," I answered.

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is sufficiently treated or used in such a way as to meet health standards, the use of this water for irrigation of crops or forests is certainly possible.

Here's an alternative approach for peace movement

BY A.T. HOUSTON

One of the arguments presented by the peace movement for nuclear disarmament is based on the premise that military strength is no longer a valid bargaining tool in negotiations between superpowers. On reflection it would appear that this tactic worked with considerable success in pre-nuclear times and, fortunately for us all, has worked perfectly since.

Today a superpower predisposed to violence and faced with a possible nuclear response is wise to talk softly and take extreme care that it does not go too far in its posturing. Unfortunately, even in this nuclear age, the same old pressures of national priorities, insecurity, overpopulation, political ideology, etc., still exist.

It is these pressures, not weapons, which for centuries have been the root cause of war. It would appear reasonable to assume that until some political process is developed to relieve these pressures it is in the vital interests of us all that both superpowers walk softly. It would therefore be ludicrous to consider discarding as obsolete any process, no matter how expensive or uncomfortable, that has proven itself effective in meeting this end.

SOME SUCCESS

The West's political dealings with the Soviet Union, although limited, have enjoyed some success. This success is primarily due to the fact that the paranoid dictatorship in Russia realizes the futility of an implacable stance when confronted by a strong and determined opposition.

Should this opposition falter or appear to falter, the Soviet stance would, as recent history has indicated, become belligerent. Then the spectre of nuclear war would be very real. Surely a reasonable and effective approach to world peace would be a popular movement with

strong support on both sides of the Iron Curtain dedicated to easing or hopefully eliminating these dangerous pressures.

A popular movement with its main thrust in the West which only undermines, or appears to undermine, our resolve and strength is, in my opinion, counterproductive and perhaps the greatest threat to world peace in this decade.

INSIGNIFICANT

Another concern is the threat imposed by the admittedly horrendous arsenals of nuclear weapons accumulated over the years by both superpowers. Any competent military strategist, and there are some, will point out that only current weapons are a threat.

Obsolete weapons are precisely that—obsolete, and are no more significant than cross-bows or flint locks in today's world.

Certainly this doesn't make our present situation any more attractive but it does reduce the equation of destruction to a more realistic and understandable level. The challenge we face is halting the production of new weapons by both superpowers simultaneously.

This, I fear, is an impossible dream. In the real world this sort of miracle just doesn't happen. A more realistic approach, in my view, is to maintain a strong deterrent and work to ease the historical pressures which ultimately lead to war. If we are successful in this endeavour, and are granted sufficient time, a number of possibilities arise. A political solution might be found to our dilemma. In periods of detente this appeared to hold promise. It may be that economic factors will prevail and nations will find it just too damned expensive to continue this madness.

Should this occur an economically embarrassed superpower's only alternative would be to negotiate viable and sincere arms reduction

agreements and take a lower profile in the rest of the world.

YOUNGER LEADERSHIP

A third possibility might be that, through the normal attrition of old age, room will finally appear at the top of the Soviet hierarchy; then a younger, and hopefully less paranoid leadership would emerge. This is a distinct possibility, as the turnover has been pretty brisk lately!

Another and perhaps more insidious threat to world peace has crept into our schools—the introduction of so-called nuclear awareness classes for the junior grades. In society concerned with teenage drug abuse, depression and suicide, it seems absolutely irresponsible and even criminal to subject young minds eight to 12 years of age to the horror of possible nuclear annihilation.

We as adults have difficulty enough with this concept and often even we cannot cope. The purpose of this indoctrination is, of course, to ultimately produce a generation who, programmed by fear, will go to any length and accept any tyranny to avoid conflict.

RENDERED HELPLESS

Some people might regard this as a noble and worthwhile endeavour but others will see the grim reality. The next generation will have to deal with its share of Hitlers, Stalins and Kadafis and we will have rendered it quite helpless by our own good intentions.

A wiser choice, in my view, would be to instill in our children a pride of country, an appreciation of their freedoms, a respect for others and a resolve to protect their way of life. Armed with these virtues they might, just might be capable of salvaging the unhappy situation they inherit.

The fate of the planet does not lie with crusty old rascals like Houston

or Pentz. It lies with the young. Perhaps the members of the peace movement would agree to shift their emphasis and with the rest of this community entertain the possibility of inviting 10 or 15 Russian children to live on this island for six months or a year.

In return we would supply a like number of our offspring to a similar community in the Soviet Union. We might get back a bunch of kids slightly pink around the edges, but we would send home the only right-wing communists in the world! On a national scale this would involve a lot of kids and would be a peace

initiative which would demand even my support.

Admittedly I have not given this brain storm much thought.

The logistics involved might be overwhelming and the shock to our and the Russian departments of foreign affairs might be too much for them to swallow. I am confident, however, that some group such as the peace movement with their obvious organizational talents and dedicated followers could overcome the bureaucratic roadblocks.

I believe that in a peace initiative of this nature lie the hopes and dreams of mankind.

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More Letters to the Editor

Encouraging news

Sir,

An article in the April 17 issue of *The Globe and Mail* states that Litton Systems Canada Ltd. has not been invited to bid on the guidance system for the advanced cruise missile. According to company president Ronald Keating, the reason for this is, "not for lack of quality, nor lack of technology or a competitive price but something far more sinister."

The "sinister" element to which Mr. Keating refers is the peace movement which has made Litton a

years. He adds that, "pressure from these people (peace activists) is making Americans look twice" at granting defense contracts to Canadian companies.

Mr. Keating's statement is encouraging news to anyone who has wondered about the ability of groups of ordinary people to bring about change. However, the pressure exerted by these groups must continue since Litton may get itself back into the running as a second source contractor for the "stealth" version of the Cruise

Recent *Driftwood* articles and Letters to the Editor have indicated strong feelings on all sides regarding Canada's involvement in the nuclear arms race. This evening, the local disarmament group will be showing

a film entitled, *How Much Is Enough?* We would like to encourage all Islanders to attend this showing (April 25, 7:30, at the Peace Centre) and to share your experience and opinions with others.

PATRICIA SWIFT,
R.R. 1, Fulford Harbour.
April 19, 1984.

'Thank you'

Sir,

Driftwood is a community paper in the most positive sense, helping all of us to recognize what this fascinating island life is truly about. You've helped so many

co-operative attitude. May we thank you once again for the extra time and consideration you have shown by encouraging and promoting the Salt Spring Players.

DAWNY SCARFE,
Ganges.
April 20, 1984.

Take a step for peace

Sir,

Are you one of hundreds of islanders who have already made your mark for world peace by signing the Canada-wide Peace Petition? If so, you can further your commitment by taking a step for

peace Saturday, April 28.

On April 28 thousands of Canadians will be joining together to proclaim their wishes for the governments of the world to stop the proliferation of nuclear arms. Gulf Islanders will be attending Walk for Peace gatherings in both Vancouver and Victoria and transportation has been arranged for those needing it. On Sunday, in Vancouver, there is planned a Walk for Peace follow-up event to raise funds for the establishment of a Vancouver Peace Centre. It is a boat cruise up Indian Arm aboard the *MV Britannia* and includes a seafood smorgasbord, dancing and entertainment. Members of the Vancouver City Council are among the guests. Details about the cruise and the Vancouver Peace Centre concept are available in the village at our own Peace Centre.

For those attending the Vancouver Walk for Peace a bus will meet the 7 am sailing from Long Harbour and return for the 7:20 pm sailing from Tsawwassen on the 28th. Cost for this bus charter is \$6 return. Bus charter and/or car pooling is planned for the Victoria Walk—cost is dependent on numbers.

For more information and registration re transportation contact the Peace Centre (537-4323) Wednesday or Friday, 10 am-2 pm or phone Ray Newman.

LOUISE BEIJK,
Ganges.
April 1984.



Driftwood photo by Valerie Richards

The Harriet E, moored at Otter Bay Marina, Pender Island

Pender Islanders raise packer

BY VALERIE RICHARDS

When Horst Klein raised the *Harriet E* from the bottom of Georgia Strait last December he wasn't sure what kind of ship would emerge. But during the two-day excursion off the coast of Nanaimo the 80-foot boat was raised, pumped out and running before she'd been out of the ocean 12 hours.

The *Harriet E*, a packer, went down off Nanaimo last November when she struck a reef. She sank, complete with a \$70,000 haul of salmon aboard.

For over two weeks the *Harriet E* lay submerged and abandoned awaiting a decision on her fate. When Pender Island electrician Horst Klein expressed interest in raising her, she was his. He had to move fast because the sunken ship was a hazard to other vessels as a result of a mere 20-foot clearance between her mast and the ocean surface.

Klein travelled up the strait in his home-built 40-foot liveboard *Queen of Storm* and with wife Joyce assisted in the salvaging operation. She was raised until her mast appeared and then dragged into shore where a low tide saw her pumped out and afloat by dawn.

"You wouldn't believe where diesel can get to," commented Joyce Klein. "There was diesel everywhere."

And no wonder. The *Harriet E* was carrying 1,500 imperial gallons of diesel when she went down.

The same day the *Harriet E* was

refloated, Horst Klein brought her down the coast to the Gulf Islands—familiar waters to the aging fish-packer.

Build in 1911 as a halibut schooner, the *Harriet E* hails from Seattle. She was built as a three-masted schooner but a fire in 1917 destroyed much of her decking and stern. Renovations led to the shortening of the *Harriet E* at the stern and the loss of one mast.

Originally powered by a 100 hp Fairbanks-Morse, the *Harriet E* was a familiar sight to fishermen and mariners in and around Vancouver Island. However, much of *Harriet E*'s past is unknown. Sometime during her life she was converted to a brine packer and the story of her namesake remains a mystery.

Now moored at Otter Bay Marina on Pender Island, she is a familiar sight to a few Pender people. Frank Symes and Hank Auchterlonie both remember working aboard the *Harriet E* while Dave Hambly recalls working on the boat at the Vancouver shipyard.

From a Fairbanks-Morse the *Harriet E* went to an Atlas engine. Today, a 12-cylinder Detroit diesel, with a value estimated at around \$100,000, drives the beamy old ship. Her top speed is around 13 knots but she burns 10 gallons an hour. Says owner Horst Klein, the *Harriet E* will soon have to earn her keep.

On board, Klein is surrounded by the things he loves most. Electrical gadgetry fills the engine room and all the latest in marine equipment is being tuned up or on order to get the

ship into action. Klein admits he couldn't afford to rebuild her if he couldn't do the work himself.

He has stripped the wheelhouse and what was once a fish hold will be sleeping quarters. The Kleins will be moving from their present home, the *Queen of Storm*, on to the *Harriet E* later this year.

As far as earning her keep, the old vessel will possibly work at salvage and such a transition won't be difficult to make.

Horst Klein has been working in Gulf Island waters since 1974 on the *Queen of Storm*. A member of the British Columbia Lifeboat Society, Klein receives about 120 calls a year for help in local waters.

He responds to the majority of the calls in his 18-foot whaler while Joyce often accompanies him on a call with the *Queen of Storm*, depending on the call.

The Kleins will continue their search and rescue operations with the whaler but living quarters will be roomier when the *Harriet E* is ready for her crew.

Phillip Swift

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BY MORTON STRATTON**

The 80th anniversary of the naming of Salt Spring Island's Mahon Hall falls on October 26 this year. It was on that date in 1904 that some 30 members of the Islands' Agricultural and Fruit Growers' Association met for their ninth annual general meeting in their newly completed agricultural hall at Ganges Harbour.

Excitement must have run high as a letter was read by the secretary, the Rev. E.F. Wilson, from Messrs. Mahon, McFarland and Mahon of Vancouver, executors of the estate of the late Ross Mahon, announcing that Ross's brothers and sisters would return the mortgage of \$1,000 which he had held on the association property if the association would place in the hall a brass plate bearing the words, "Mahon Memorial Hall".

The offer was accepted "with heartfelt thanks", the plate purchased the following year (for \$40), and the building got the name by which it has been known ever since.

On the Agricultural Association's roll of 100 members in 1904 was represented the male head of nearly every farm family on Salt Spring, including such familiar names as Collins, Norton, Bittancourt, Scott, Scovell, Nightingale, Akerman and Ruckle. There were a few members also from the Outer Islands from Thetis to Moresby. The squire of Salt Spring, Mr. Harry Bullock, was president.

The association had originated in 1897 as a union of two previous agricultural groups. Members had met regularly in the then new public hall at Central Settlement until their move to Ganges Harbour in the fall of 1901.

Fall fair principal activity

Their principal activity was the staging of a fall fair or agricultural exhibition, which in the early years of this century was one of the finest in British Columbia.

Central Settlement seems a logical place for an agricultural society to have developed at the turn of the century. It stood near the centre of the several communities scattered over the more populated northern half of Salt Spring Island. Near the crossroads at Central stood Broadwell's Store, the post office, the public hall and the rarely

used jail. Nearby was St. Mark's Church and the well-known Stevens Boarding House.

On the broad slopes above St. Mary Lake and Booth Canal spread the prosperous farms of the Stevens, Broadwells, Mouats, Collins and Wilsons. Towards the east were the Bullock and Norton farms. The Vesuvius wharf and Bittancourt holdings were to the west; to the north were the Fernwood wharf and the community earlier known as the Beggs Settlement.

But the association, which had been regularly using the community hall at Central, for some reason took up in 1898 the question of building an agricultural hall at Ganges Harbour. A committee was appointed "to take the whole question under consideration, to solicit subscriptions and to report as to their success to the secretary before the first of August."

Actually the matter rested for two years before the board of directors decided on October 13, 1900 that "the time has now arrived when this association build a hall of its own on Ganges Harbour."

Reasons for move unknown

The reasons for this move are nowhere explained. There was no village of Ganges in 1900, although there was a public wharf. Between what is now the village centre and the harbour's end three farms fronted on the sea. Perhaps the association sought a site more accessible by water to exhibitors and visitors.

In any case the offer of a well located tract of land at a reasonable price by Frank Scott seems to have precipitated action. Frank, recently married to one of the Wilson daughters, was the owner of the middle one of the three farms and a member of the search committee.

On October 20 a committee was appointed to purchase the half-acre site (where Mahon Hall now stands) for the offering price of \$40 and to proceed with building the hall.

In their search for funds they cast a wide net. Members of the association were assigned to canvass the various districts of Salt Spring, the "outside islands" and Victoria. Salt Spring's M.P., the Honourable J.P. Booth, was to be approached with regard to a government grant. This original canvass netted \$291.60, enough to encourage them to start on their project.

By the fall of 1901 work was well under way. A "large and influential" meeting of members heard a report from the building committee on October 26: \$200.10 had been paid out, unpaid accounts totalled \$167.80, and the principal carpenter, Reid Bittancourt (working for \$2 a day!) estimated \$144.25 to finish the building—a total of \$512.05!

One gathers it was only the core of the present building and that it was only framed, roofed and partially enclosed. J.P. Booth alleged that "if we do not finish the hall, it will blow down this winter," to which Bittancourt responded that he "guarantees the building to stand as it is for 12 months." The meeting voted to take \$150 from the year's show balance to pay off the debt on the hall.

Voted to buy four acres of land

Apparently the directors were encouraged by the show of support by their members at the sixth annual meeting. On November 6, 1901 they voted to borrow \$1,000, buy (not lease, as previously planned) four acres of land adjacent to the hall for exhibition grounds and spend "any money remaining in improving same and finishing the hall."

Like most building projects before or since, their objectives expanded as work progressed. In this case they acquired their own

spacious grounds and a hall to which were now added a dining room and kitchen for catering meals to exhibition visitors. The four acres in question were offered by Frank Scott for \$500 (he had refused an offer of \$400 proposed by father-in-law Wilson) "facing on the sea and lying between the Tolson boundary fence (now Rainbow Road) and hall and extending back to include four acres...."

It is at this point that Ross Mahon enters the picture. The association ledger bears an entry dated December 18, 1901: "Borrowed from Ross Mahon, \$1,000." Mahon was a well known wealthy bachelor who had come to Salt Spring about 1880 in company with his brother

Henry, Jack Scovell and others.

He owned at one time or another extensive property on both Ganges Harbour and Long Harbour. He enjoyed boating parties on his small steam vessel, *The Mist*. Ross had brought out with him a strong character, Hugo Robertshaw, to run her.


E.R. Cartwright, in a delightful book, *A Late Summer*, reports that "Hugo was a man of great strength and a small squeaky voice, a eunuch we always supposed..." In any case, Ross, with his considerable wealth and easy sociable ways, presumably found it no great sacrifice to help his friends and neighbours along with their building program.

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Review

BY FRANK RICHARDS

Henry the Eighth: Defender of the Faith: reformer: King. And never to be remembered for his defence; never to be identified with his ecclesiastical changes or lauded for his reign because all things are drowned out by his accomplishments between the sheets.

Other kings, lesser kings, perhaps, took wives and mistresses and lived uneventful lives. But Henry is known in history for his skill in finding wives and his efficiency in ridding himself of them when he tired.

This, of course, is the thread running through Royal Gambit. In fact, the thread is a rope tying his six women to his coattails.

There have been tales and plays on the life of Henry probably since the day of his death and certainly in recent years. Royal Gambit is the ultimate summary of Henry. It brings together the man and the women. The play focuses on the interplay between Henry and the queens he brought to his throne.

It is a delight. The attraction of the play lies in the writing to a considerable degree. It happens that the royal court and the royal courtship have rarely been placed so graphically. Score for Herman Gressieker, who wrote it. The author saw the court as a chessboard. The audience might confuse it with musical chairs. From either viewpoint the setting is novel and intriguing.

If, of course, the setting is a game of chess, there are too many white queens for comfort. And which colour is the king?

The king commands the piece. He is well chosen for the role. From an almost mincing approach to a new love-making, he moves to the angry monarch thrusting down to hell any man, or woman, who stands between him and his pleasures. Alan Wyatt has the gentle passion of a persuasive swain and the roaring passion of the frustrated lover.

Each wife gets the treatment. Katarina, better remembered anglophonically as Catharine, comes in first as she did in history. She comes in as the arrogant lady of Spain and although she is seen in every mood and passion, she remains No. 1. The arrogant Catharine is Marilyn Taylor, long familiar to playgoers on Salt Spring Island.

The biggest challenge to a small company with limited resources is period costuming. The ancients lacked the foresight to dress as we do and no players' company can find ancient robes at a moment's notice.

Robed in casually-prepared dresses, the queens of Henry Eighth would have been unreal and unconvincing. But they are most convincing. They step on to the stage as if they had stepped out of the pages of history. The style and the magnificence of dress does not only help to convince the audience: it probably gives a confidence and an air to the players themselves for the fact that they know they look good. In a large theatre this we would take for granted. In such a setting as a small island it contributes immensely to the presence and the play. Frances Eide was in charge of the wardrobe which means that she and her friends did all the work preparing the gowns.

The audience sees it when King Henry swears lifelong fidelity to each of his wives. And they see it as each wife runs through her sad life.

Katarina was obviously the granddame of Spain because she looked it even before she spoke. When Anne Boleyn appeared she

was not Dawn Luker in a new part: she was an Elizabethan lady flirting with the king. Strictly she was not Elizabethan, but Tudor, but as she was not yet Tudor and was destined to give birth to the Elizabethan era it might conceivably be less confusing. The appeal of the queenly roles is simply that each royal lady is called on to run the same gamut of passion and despair that is set by Henry. Each wife must be enticing, responsive, warm, loving, fearful, hating and dying. And they are all of these things.

While No. 1 lies in captivity and No. 2 goes to the executioner the king is already looking with interest to No. 3, the unfortunate Jane Seymour. Unfortunate because she dies of natural causes with some help from her lord and master. Angela Taylor is Jane Seymour. Better put, Jane Seymour is Angela Taylor. She meets, rejoices and is haunted by the imminent death of Anne. And the audience shares these changing moods to the point of her submissive death.

Anna of Cleaves is presented by Pat Desbottes as the cynical, humorous, plain woman from the German state. The character has been written into history by the screen tale of Henry's wives but Queen Anna Desbottes is the happiest role of the six. She laughs her way into Henry's household though not into his bed. And she laughs her way back home when her royal husband looks for new pleasures with the Lady Kathryn Howard.

Anne Prosk gives the Howard role a sense of the ingenue caught in her own web. Suddenly penitent, the young queen is trapped by her own revelations and another head hits the dust. Once again, the queen is the young woman caught up in the series of intrigues that proves too much for her. And the spite and venom that follows the unveiling is just as one could imagine the history.

History leaves us with Queen Kate Parr, the luckiest of the queens for having survived the king's roving disposition and ending up as the merry widow. The role presented by Janis Sues shows a cynical widow well able to keep her royal husband out of trouble until she is widowed again.

There are the six wives and one lord and master: royal gambit and royal gamut. Every wife a credit to her husband and Henry holding them together as he could never have done four centuries ago.

The choice of play was a happy one, the selection of players was a delight. And if the players kept the audience happy, then director Dawny Scarfe must take credit. It would be difficult to find a shortcoming in the presentation. Of course, credit goes to the score or so who worked at the production, making clothes and gowns, making noises off and making preparations.

But there is only one proof to a players' pudding and that's in the eating.

I ate it with relish.

(Royal Gambit runs three more nights, Thursday till Saturday, at Mahon Hall. Tickets are available in advance only at et cetera. Friday's performance will be followed by an adjudication by Elizabeth Moulton. The play is Salt Spring Players' entry in the B.C. Drama Festival).

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Anniversary of Mahon Hall

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The year 1902 saw the project substantially completed. Frank Scott was paid for his four acres and the association's ledger shows payments on the building of over \$800. Final figures on the whole program do not appear until the association's accounts were prepared by the Rev. Wilson, secretary, for the period April 1902 to February 1904. (Wilson had inherited the accounts for 1903 in great disarray—entries incomplete, many bills unpaid, and an audit impossible.)

In his audited report of February 1904 he gives a summary of receipts and payments for the new facilities on Ganges Harbour, with the breakdown as follows: one-half acre of land for hall \$40; direct cost of hall \$1122.98; four acres of land for exhibition grounds \$500; survey, deeds and lawyers' fees \$106.10. Total \$1,769.08. For a final tally we should add \$60 for paint in August 1904.

The association had scarcely settled into its new quarters (actually the first business meeting had been held in the unfinished building November 6, 1901) and started paying the six percent interest on the mortgage when a tragedy occurred of which no notice is taken in the minutes. Ross Mahon was drowned while bathing at Long Harbour on June 9, 1903.

One wonders why the tragic death of a prominent longtime resident, and the holder of their mortgage, didn't merit a motion of condolence at the next directors' meeting in July. In any case Ross's brother, Henry, still resident on the island (though soon to settle permanently in Ireland), and the other brothers and sisters, demonstrated their affection for Salt Spring by their generous return of the mortgage in 1904 as earlier mentioned.

It is ironic under the circumstances that on the heels of this gesture the Agricultural Association came close to defaulting on its principal contribution to island life—the organization of an annual fall fair.

On February 1, 1905 Rev. Wilson posted a public notice at the Ganges Wharf: "Is there to be a show this year? If so it is time for someone to act. Mr. Bullock has just written me that he will not be back for six months and asks that another

president be appointed. Mr. Ward, treasurer, is in California. Mr. Grubbe, vice-president, has written to resign. I also have put in my resignation as secretary. It seems ungracious, after the Mahon family's liberal gift, not to keep up the good work."

(The improvements to Mahon Hall and the activities that centered on it will be the subject of another article if readers are interested. Correction, comments, loan of old photos, all appreciated.)

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GALIANO NEWS

Spring brings different type of life to island

BY BASIL BENDER

Chinese Spring Festival occurs in February, but Galiano's Spring Festival takes place at Easter. The whole island is decorated with flowers both wild and domestic.

The trees especially adorn and perfume themselves with blossoms; the cherries in pure white are already snowing their petals gently down on the greening grass while the showy dogwoods are flaunting their B.C. emblems.

The bluffs are carpeted with blue-eyed Marys, spring gold, sea blush and many smaller, less conspicuous flowers such as the calypso orchid. Gardens are a kaleidoscope of colour with yellow, blue and the many hues of primulas.

Birds begin their chorus before five o'clock and the frogs croak long into the night. A poor columnist with a houseful of guests has to check these facts out if *Driftwood* is to get any copy at all this busy weekend. Next door a cottage is framed and roofed in this one weekend.

Joining with the nearer cacophony of hammering is the more distant growl of angry chainsaws and the macho roars of power boats and planes. Cottagers not seen for months re-appear, seeming none-the-worse from their winter sojourn in the city. The island comes to life—or more accurately a different life comes to Galiano, for the island has been alive and well these many months, not hibernating, since the dark, damp days of November closed in.

So now the "season" is upon us and we brace ourselves for the change in lifestyle that summer brings.

Easter Bonnets

By a stroke of mischance the North Galiano Community Association's Modern Antiques Sale included an event left over from last year's sale. This was the parade of Easter bonnets judged by the Scoones sisters, Elizabeth Steward and Marg Prior.

This year's competition was an international one with contestants from half a dozen countries. Hats of various descriptions were decorated with flowers and foliage from field, roadside, orchard and even vegetable garden.

The most original concoction was topped with a bird's nest with a bird sitting on a clutch of Easter eggs. This won first prize in the men's section for Marks McAvity of North Galiano. The ladies' prize went to a most elegant creation fashioned and worn by Mrs. Li Bo-fang from Beijing.

The Community Association was able to make use of the new extension for the first time as a used clothing annex to the sale. The Pre-School Association quilt, a beautiful peace of work, was also on display here. The quilt is made of squares depicting Galiano scenes, birds and animals and is all hand-applied or embroidered by islanders. Opportunities to see the quilt and buy tickets for the quilt raffle will continue at the Friday market until July 1.

Cultural Journeys

Peripatetic traveller and cultural consumer Ella Johnson of Active Pass Drive is planning her trip to China with an archeological-study tour from UBC. During the month

she will be away she will visit Tokyo, Taipei, Hong Kong, Beijing and a dozen other mainland Chinese cities and archeological sites. At the weekend Ella was briefed for her course by a visiting delegation from the People's Republic of China. Electrical engineer Zhou Xuan-fang, civil engineer Lei Shenglong and computer specialist Huang Hezhou exhorted her to study hard just as the premier of China had urged them to do when he visited Vancouver in January and met them at the Chinese consulate.

Although Ella does have an interest in archeology, her main fields of study are sociology and psychology, for she loves meeting people and was delighted with the opportunity to brush up her Chinese by conversing with the visiting scholars in her unique mixture of Cantonese, Mandarin and Vancouver Chinatown Chinglish.

Another wandering Galiano scholar is Wendy Roberts whose study of ornithology recently took her to Hawaii. As student member of a guided tour she learned much about the exotic birds of that tropical habitat. Later in the year Wendy hopes to pursue her studies in the B.C. interior.

Bridge

The progressive bridge group wound up their season with a delicious chicken dinner at the Golf and Country Club on April 16. Mary Knowles won the evening of bridge which followed and draw prizes were won by Kitty Weaver, Lottie Frewer, Bill Cook and Frank Sarsen. Presentations were made to the Burroughs and Sarsens for their contributions to the success of the

season.

Bill Ager, a long-time member of the group, was given a parting gift. Bill, who has reached 90—the age of discretion—has decided to retire from Galiano to live in Vancouver. His many friends wish him the best of luck.

Thanks are due to the many ladies who provided desserts and refreshments during the season. During the summer season Monday evening bridge will be played in the North End Hall and conveners will be Woody and Ellen Cowars, telephone 539-2905.

The duplicate bridge players who usually meet on Friday afternoon will hold their wind-up luncheon at the Golf and Country Club next Monday.

Drama

Fresh from their recent successful two-night run of *Table Manners*, Galiano Players held a meeting last Wednesday to plan their next production, hopefully for a summer audience.

Anybody interested in taking part, either on stage or back stage is invited to get in touch with director Joe Fleming at 2597.

Coming Events

This evening (Wednesday) there is an important meeting for all parishioners at St. Margaret's Church at 7:30 pm to decide whether to sell the rectory. Also at St. Margaret's this Sunday there will be a praise sing of favourite hymns at 9 am followed by a family service at 10:30 am conducted by the minister and some parish members from St. Phillip's Church, Victoria,

during which the baby son of Kathy and Michael Sharp will be christened. Later Sunday everyone is invited to the South Community Hall for Elisabeth Hopkins' 90th birthday celebration between 3 and 5 pm.

Galiano-ites who wish to join in the Vancouver Peace March should phone Connie Kennedy at 2040, Betty Fairbank at 2117 or Bill Paterson at 2475 for further information.

On Saturday, May 5 the Pender Sea Scouts will be in Montague Park and will welcome visitors of any age who would like to learn more about their organization. Also on May 5 the Garden Club will hold its annual Plant and Bake Sale in the North Community Hall at 2 pm.

The Women's Auxiliary to the South Galiano Volunteer Fire Department will hold their annual Fire Sale on May 19. Contributions are requested and pick-up can be arranged by phoning Dora Darling at 2914, Vimy Coffee at 2674 or Helen Hoole at 5397.

Also on the Saturday of the Victoria Day weekend is the school's annual Spring Fair and for this year a special feature will be a reunion luncheon of past scholars and staff.

Sign damaged

Vandals damaged the sign of Goodman-Jones Funeral Home last week.

The damage was reported to Ganges RCMP on Friday and officers are investigating the case of willful damage.

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Economy got you down? Make hanging baskets

This little typewriter was made in Japan, has French characters and I, with my German background, am trying to type in English. No wonder there is constant confusion as to the exact sequence, or necessity, of letters in a word.

This whole thing is complicated by a commendable, if somewhat overly enthusiastic eagerness of all the letters to appear in print. Their jostling for number one position, often resulting in solid letter jams, is so reminiscent of the various current leadership races as to be uncanny.

This formidable situation would undoubtedly daunt greater souls than I and only an utter and abiding compassion will serve to salvage

some tattered shreds of sanity.

But there is only so much one can take and there comes the time when one must simply take a break, unhook one's fingers from the typewriter and do something entirely different, such as making some hanging baskets, for example.

I have found this to have excellent therapeutic value.

So if the economy, or what have you, has you down, make a few, or a lot, of hanging baskets; it works, at least it does for me, and just in case it may work for someone else, I shall pass on these considerations.

Since we would like to see a veritable wealth of blossoms and green spilling over a very limited

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BY PETER WEIS
Foxglove Nursery Consultant

container, our first consideration is the provision of ample resources for luxurious growth. Even the commercially prepared potting soil can do with a dusting of dolomite lime to sustain the near neutral Ph range against the leaching effect of frequent waterings.

The addition of rich compost, manure or other organic material, up to about one-third in volume, will both provide a "sponge" effect to retain moisture and a constant supply of nutrients. Further, a handful of rock phosphate will provide a constant supply of phosphorus so essential for sustained bloom.

A touch of clay, well mixed with the soil, will provide a wide range of readily available minerals; or a couple of handfuls of seaweed will do the same. Follow the same recommendations if you are using your own soil, just add a bit more dolomite lime for our generally acidic soil.

The key to success lies almost entirely in the provision of ample resources in the very limited space of the container. Also make sure that the top of the soil level is at least one inch (2½ cm) below the rim of the container.

This space acts as a reservoir when watering, as a pot filled to the brim with soil will shed more water than it can absorb.

These are the basic considerations for lush growth and a wealth of blossoms. Frequent watering to maintain adequate moisture resources in an environment almost totally exposed to desiccating air circulation is another necessity for continued success.

Only the choice of suitable plants remains to be mentioned. As an upright central plant for a sunny location any of the many varieties of geraniums would be your best choice. These may be flanked by a couple of trailing fuchsias, space permitting. Dwarf marigolds and upright and cascading petunias will provide a solid succession of colourful blossoms. Nepeta, or "Catmint", is excellent for those long and gracefully trailing cascades of leaves from the edge.

Trailing lobelia, although not quite as rampant as nepeta, will provide lovely blue and white-eyed blossoms in addition to its spilling leaves. A touch of nemesia among

these can add almost any colour of the rainbow to a basket, and schizanthus, the "poor man's orchid", will dazzle with its abundance of small, orchid-like blossoms. In the shady positions, schizanthus will do just as well, along with petunias, fuchsias, and either upright or trailing fibrous begonias, with lobelia or nepeta.

Browallia is another excellent, compact and blue flowered candidate for hanging baskets either in a sunny spot or in light shade.

Frequent pinching of fuchsias, petunias, geraniums and nemesia in their early stages will result in bushy plants with far more blossoms later on. Also remove all spent blossoms except on lobelia and schizanthus, as this will result in continued bloom.

Hanging baskets are at their very best at eye-level, where we pass most often, to pierce the cobwebs of a rattled mind and soul with their peaceful and arresting beauty.

And they do go a long way to restore some sanity to one caught up in the baffling intricacies of developing a mutually satisfying relationship with a typewriter.

Five new people on board of directors

The Salt Spring Community Society elected 11 island residents to the board of directors at its annual meeting last week.

With four of the current board members stepping aside, there will be five new faces on the executive running activities in the centre on Ganges Hill. Liz Dafoe, Carol Fowles, Tao Kimball, Chuck Nelken and Linette Ramsey begin two-year terms on the board.

Betty Ball, Karen Reiss and Jim Sinclair, each of whom has served part of a term, also begin two-year terms. The three had served on the board of directors after being appointed since the last annual meeting.

In addition, Jack Albhouse, Liz Armour and Jean Brindamour

begin their second two-year terms.

Members of the board with time left on their terms are Sid Filkow, Helga Williams, Tom Toynbee and Shirley Vida.

Jim Fogarty and Madge Kimball have each served four years and must, according to the society's constitution, step aside. Judy Boylan and Maggie Hayes have served two-year terms but found that personal matters required they give up their places on the executive.

The group will meet today (Wednesday) to choose executive members and determine the membership of the society's various committees.

Honour roll students named

Listed below are the honour roll students at Gulf Islands Secondary School for the April reporting period.

Grade 8: Jennifer Anderson, Chris Boehringer, Cathy Caldwell, Jason Cherney, Shanti Ford, David Jacquest, Eli Secor, Sean Severs, Andrea Skinner, Ryan Stewart, Lynne Vanderwekken.

Grade 9: Chris Koski, Amos Lundy, Maria Payne, Sarah Stark, Christopher Watson.

Grade 10: David Bremner, Jennifer Clark, Cindy Hogg, Laura Hynes, Nanette Kessler, David Kruger, Carol Lane, Corrinne Langston, Jennifer McWhirter, Inga Mainwaring, Krista Sadler.

Grade 11: Deanie Byron, Suzanne Cottrell, Kara Cruikshank, Kirsten Rolfsen, Wendy Ronne.

Grade 12: Paul Cottrell, Greg Hanks, Alex Hoechsmann, Monik Nordine, Heather Rooke, Wendy Severn, Mark Wenzel.

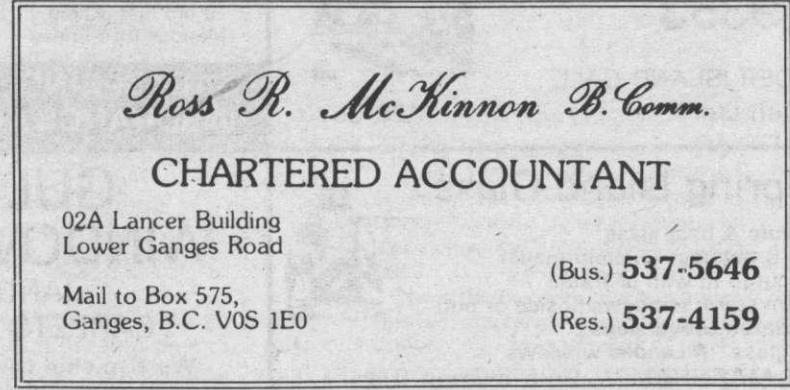


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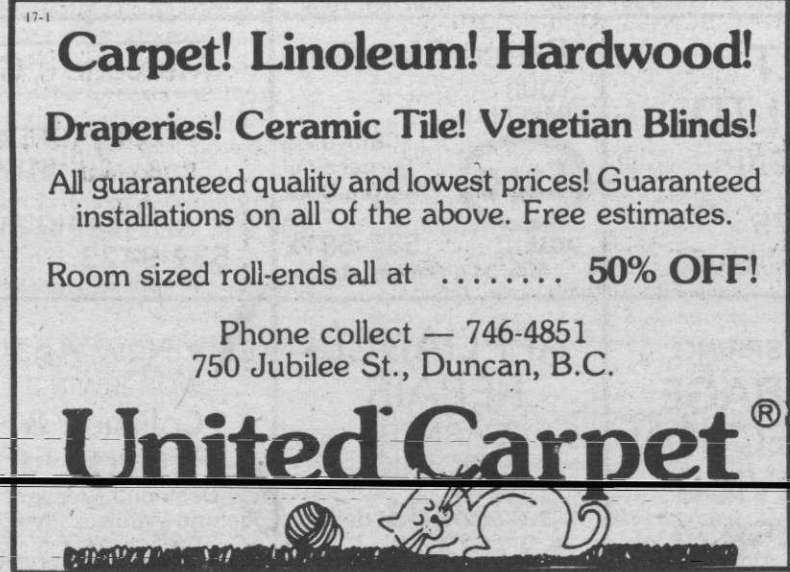
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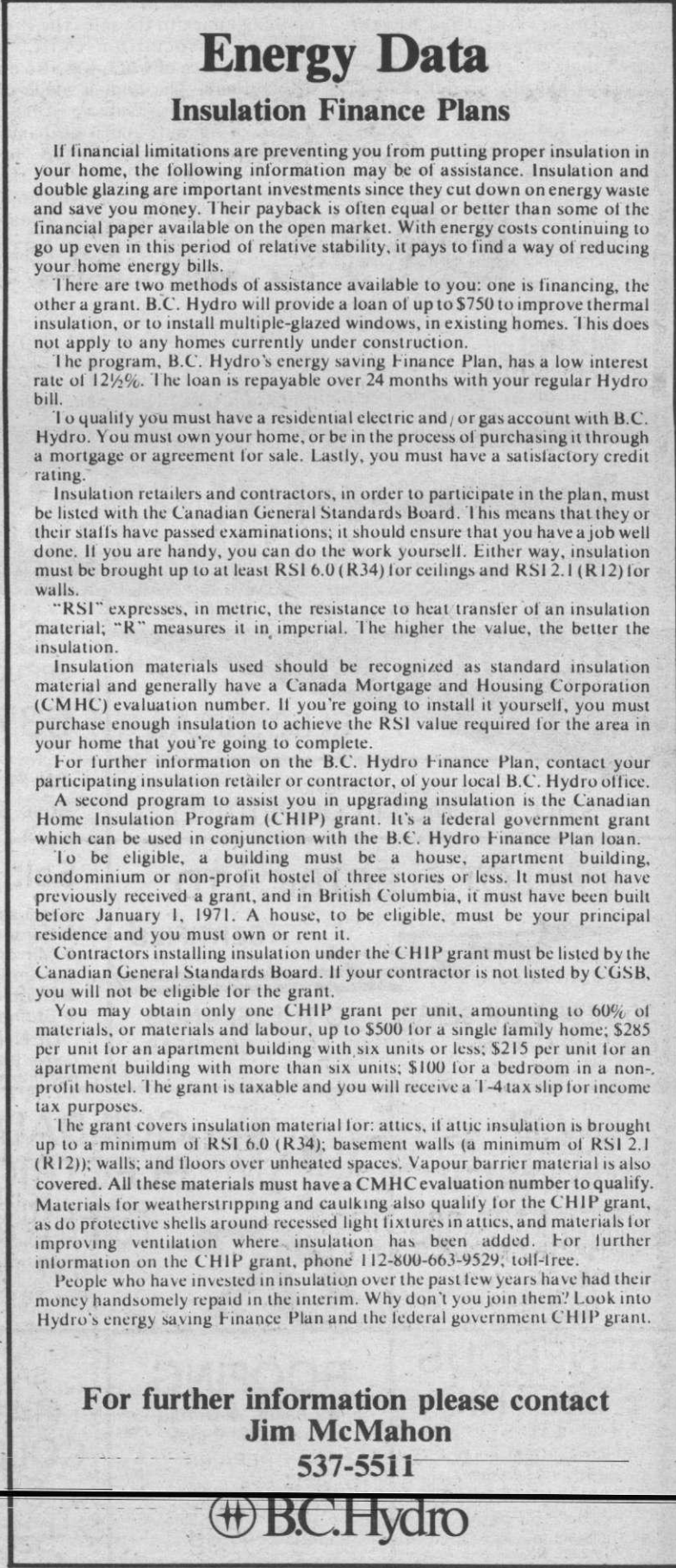
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There are two methods of assistance available to you: one is financing, the other a grant. B.C. Hydro will provide a loan of up to \$750 to improve thermal insulation, or to install multiple-glazed windows, in existing homes. This does not apply to any homes currently under construction.

The program, B.C. Hydro's energy saving Finance Plan, has a low interest rate of 12½%. The loan is repayable over 24 months with your regular Hydro bill.

To qualify you must have a residential electric and/or gas account with B.C. Hydro. You must own your home, or be in the process of purchasing it through a mortgage or agreement for sale. Lastly, you must have a satisfactory credit rating.

Insulation retailers and contractors, in order to participate in the plan, must be listed with the Canadian General Standards Board. This means that they or their staffs have passed examinations; it should ensure that you have a job well done. If you are handy, you can do the work yourself. Either way, insulation must be brought up to at least RSI 6.0 (R34) for ceilings and RSI 2.1 (R12) for walls.

"RSI" expresses, in metric, the resistance to heat transfer of an insulation material; "R" measures it in imperial. The higher the value, the better the insulation.

Insulation materials used should be recognized as standard insulation material and generally have a Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) evaluation number. If you're going to install it yourself, you must purchase enough insulation to achieve the RSI value required for the area in your home that you're going to complete.

For further information on the B.C. Hydro Finance Plan, contact your participating insulation retailer or contractor, or your local B.C. Hydro office.

A second program to assist you in upgrading insulation is the Canadian Home Insulation Program (CHIP) grant. It's a federal government grant which can be used in conjunction with the B.C. Hydro Finance Plan loan.

To be eligible, a building must be a house, apartment building, condominium or non-profit hostel of three stories or less. It must not have previously received a grant, and in British Columbia, it must have been built before January 1, 1971. A house, to be eligible, must be your principal residence and you must own or rent it.

Contractors installing insulation under the CHIP grant must be listed by the Canadian General Standards Board. If your contractor is not listed by CGSB, you will not be eligible for the grant.

You may obtain only one CHIP grant per unit, amounting to 60% of materials, or materials and labour, up to \$500 for a single family home; \$285 per unit for an apartment building with six units or less; \$215 per unit for an apartment building with more than six units; \$100 for a bedroom in a non-profit hostel. The grant is taxable and you will receive a T-4 tax slip for income tax purposes.

The grant covers insulation material for: attics, if attic insulation is brought up to a minimum of RSI 6.0 (R34); basement walls (a minimum of RSI 2.1 (R12)); walls; and floors over unheated spaces. Vapour barrier material is also covered. All these materials must have a CMHC evaluation number to qualify. Materials for weatherstripping and caulking also qualify for the CHIP grant, as do protective shells around recessed light fixtures in attics, and materials for improving ventilation where insulation has been added. For further information on the CHIP grant, phone 112-800-663-9529; toll-free.

People who have invested in insulation over the past few years have had their money handsomely repaid in the interim. Why don't you join them? Look into Hydro's energy saving Finance Plan and the federal government CHIP grant.

For further information please contact
Jim McMahon
537-5511

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Print given to institute

The Community Arts Council presented a print by D.A. Dunford to the Salt Spring Farmers' Institute last week. The numbered print had been given to the CAC following

Arctcraft 81. CAC president Lawrie Neish, left, watches as past president Gerry Layard presents the print to institute chairman Russ Lazaruk.

The CAC had no place to hang the print so they decided to give it to the Farmers' Institute to hang in its Rainbow Road headquarters.

Driftwood photo by Bill Webster

Field schedule prepared

Softball season is about to get under way at Salt Spring Island and a schedule has been drawn up for the different leagues.

Women's fast-pitch league plays Monday evenings at Fulford's No. 1 field, the little league field in Ganges and at Portlock Park.

On Tuesdays men's fast-pitch plays at Fulford 1 and little league while competitive slow-pitch has Fulford No. 2, Hydro, Portlock, Salt Spring Elementary 1 and Salt Spring Elementary 2.

Women's fast-pitch has Fulford 1, little league, Portlock and Salt Spring Elementary 1 on Wednesday evenings while Sidney men's fast-pitch league has Hydro.

Fulford minor league has both

Fulford fields on Thursday while men's fast-pitch plays at little league and Portlock.

All fields will be used by the adults-only, fun league slow-pitch on Friday evenings.

Little League players are at Portlock on Saturday and Sunday. Also on Sunday, Sidney League fast-pitch plays at Fulford 1.

All teams are required to carry out field maintenance including raking of bases before and after games and cleaning up dugouts after games.

Teams organizing tournaments must contact either Glenn Woodley or Linda Hoover at least three weeks before the tournament date.



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Musgrave project seen as 'quality development'

The 25-lot bare land strata at Musgrave Landing on Salt Spring Island is a "quality development", according to developer Stan Jobb, who expects the project to go ahead within the next month.

Jobb, a forest and land development consultant based in Surrey, told *Driftwood* in an interview that he's not interested in standard residential subdivisions and that if it wasn't a quality development he wouldn't be involved.

The project has become a controversial one since the Salt Spring Trust Committee rejected the application in March 1983. The ministry of highways approving officer subsequently did the same.

But on September 14 the approving officer issued a preliminary layout approval for the subdivision without referring the application to the Islands Trust.

Principal objection of the Trust to the proposal was the establishment of a residential area in an uplands and forest zone.

While the density requirements of the plan were being met, the Trust felt the "spirit of the community plan (was) being controverted by establishing such a core of activity within an area zoned uplands and forest," the Trust said in a letter March 3, 1983 to the highways approving officer.

Other reasons for denying the application were:

- Concentration of development was felt to be inappropriate due to the high priority rating the area was given by the Nature Conservancy of Canada.

- The concentration "may impact on adjoining lands to a greater extent" than if the lots were larger.

- The lots would be located at the base of a steep hillside and a geophysical analysis should be considered.

- Access did not appear to be adequate in that Musgrave Road was sub-standard.

The developer, however, insists that the subdivision has been designed for water access only. The ministry of highways, in granting approval last September, has required that a restrictive covenant be placed against all the lots, stating that it was understood that Musgrave Rd. would be maintained for four-wheel-drive vehicles only.

Jobb pointed out that the development utilizes some new techniques. One is the "berming" of water lines and low-pressure sewer lines. Instead of digging trenches and burying these lines, earth is mounded, or bermed, over them and a lot of blasting and digging is avoided.

Sewage disposal would employ a central plant and field and a pumping unit on each lot would grind the effluent before pumping it up to the plant. Having a central

plant would permit the retention of trees on the lots. Covenants would also be placed against the cutting of trees.

Jobb said they had originally wanted to build trails instead of roads but the highways ministry wouldn't allow it.

He noted that in developing Musgrave they would be selling seclusion. Anticipated price of the lots is in the \$100,000 range.

Jobb doesn't foresee the subdivision having much impact on the area. Twenty-five families will perhaps spend four months of the year there, he said.

As far as recent work by highways crews on Musgrave Rd. is concerned, Jobb didn't believe it was anything more than routine maintenance.

"I've seen a grader working on the road on two occasions in two years."

A move to develop the area was first made about three years ago. Land surveyor Alan Hardie told *Driftwood* that Trust staff had given

approval in principle to a bare land strata development at Musgrave in June 1981.

However, a formal application was later denied by both the Trust and the highways ministry. The Trust turned it down in November of that year because it felt water

access was unacceptable.

The current proposal calls for 25 lots ranging in size from one-half to 1.26 acres. The development itself would take up about 50 acres, with the remainder of the property, about 530 acres, being left as forest land.

Trust issues door permit over Unger's objections

A development permit to allow a door to be put in a wall of Gasoline Alley in Ganges was issued by the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee last week.

Jeff Adelman, of Classic Investments, had applied for the permit for the door in order to rent space in the building. He said the door would allow direct access to the commercial premises rather than have customers walk through the sales area of the garage.

Bev Unger, Islands Trust representative, objected to the issuance of the development permit on the grounds that the commercial

space would increase sewage flow from the property.

Adelman reminded her that the Capital Region, not the Islands Trust, is the authority on sewage disposal.

Unger introduced a motion to table the permit and send it to the Advisory Planning Commission for review. The motion lapsed when it was not seconded.

Unger termed putting a door in the side of the building a "high-impact development."

Despite her objections, the committee voted to issue the development permit.

Trust says no to proposal

The proposed strata title subdivision at Musgrave Landing has been turned down again by the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee.

When the preliminary layout approval expired, the developer, Rico Holdings, asked for an extension. The department of highways approving officer asked the Islands Trust for a recommendation on a revised subdivision plan.

Stan Jobb, who represents the land owners, came to the Islands Trust meeting last week to explain the proposal and answer questions about the subdivision. He said the department of highways had insisted the subdivision be confined to water access and that all the lots should front on the water.

The houses to be built at the site, he said, would be seasonal homes. He explained that a low-pressure sewer system would hook the houses to a rotor disc treatment plant before being discharged to a septic field.

Maureen Bendick told the meeting that the subdivision was "the thin edge of the wedge, in this case, the blunt edge." If the subdivision was not stopped, the Islands Trust could be "dead in the water," she said.

Later in the meeting, she asked Jobb if he intended to continue circumventing the Islands Trust to get the subdivision approved.

Jobb replied that he would be pursuing all legal channels to gain the required approval.

He quoted from a *Driftwood* editorial: "History has long shown that the fellow who engages in slinging mud always has dirty hands, whether or not the mud sticks to the target."

The quote, he said, was aimed at those who were attacking the motives of his clients.

In answer to another question, Jobb said that fire protection equipment would be at the subdivision site. The water to fight any fire would come from the Pacific Ocean, he said.

Ray Simard of Fulford voiced support for the proposed subdivision. It would create a residential area which could help ease density in other areas of the island, he said.

After hearing the various opinions at the meeting last week, the Trust Committee voted to reject the proposal again and to inform the approving officer of its decision.

Charles Alsberg, B.A., N.D.

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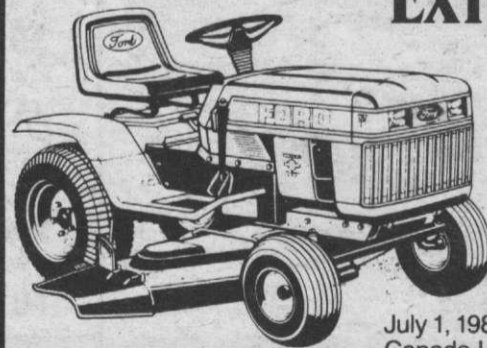
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