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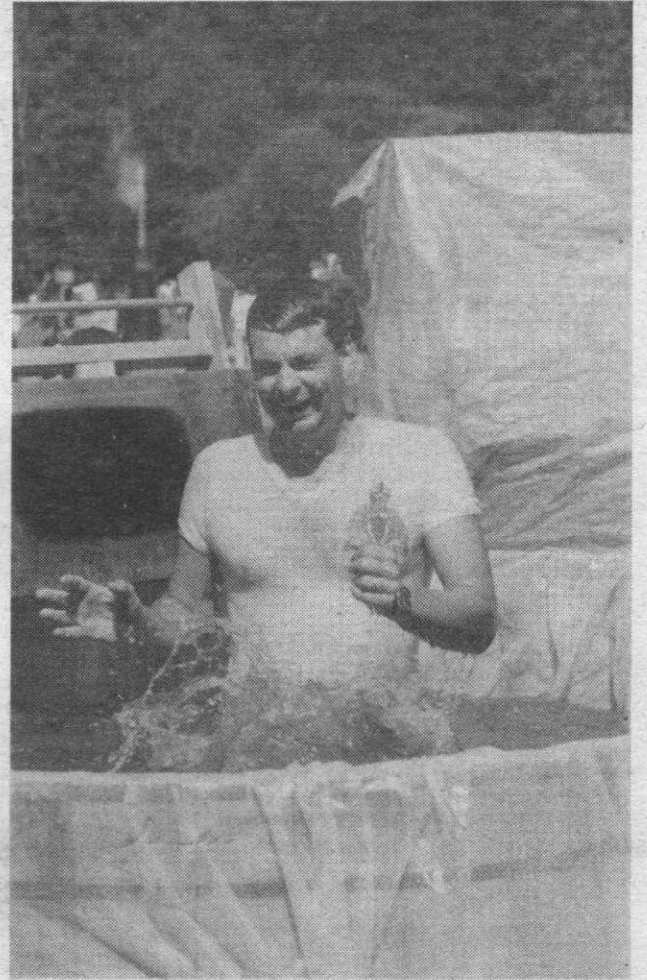
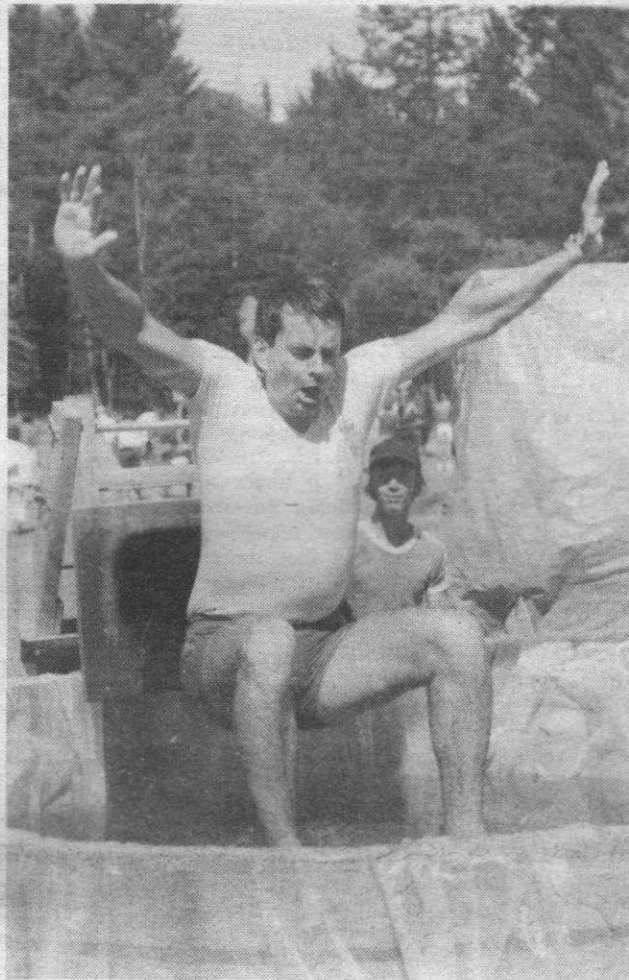
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Nice day for a dunking

The weather smiled on fairgoers at Pender Island Saturday making it a pleasant day for a dunking. But would-be pitchers weren't smiling as

they concentrated on throwing a ball at a target so as to see RCMP Const. John Henwood, above, plunge into the tank. Henwood was

dunked several times but good-naturedly refrained from issuing tickets. More on Pender Fall Fair on Pages 33, 34.

Driftwood photos by Alice Richards

Eight candidates on ballot for Tuesday's vote

Voters in the Gulf Islands and elsewhere in Canada will visit the polls next Tuesday to cast ballots for various candidates.

In Cowichan-Malahat-The

Islands, voters have their choice of eight candidates.

Jim Manly of the New Democrats and Don Taylor of the Progressive Conservatives are familiar faces to

Gulf Island voters.

The Liberal candidate this time around is Mike Coleman who has been active in the municipal scene in Duncan.

Lindsay Armstrong represents the Green Party while John Currie and Ronald Jackson are running as independent candidates. R.L. Snell stands as the voice in this riding for the Confederation of Regions, Western Party. James Taylor represents the Libertarian Party.

In the last federal election in February of 1980, Jim Manly of the New Democrats gathered 48% of the vote to defeat Don Taylor of the Progressive Conservatives by 4,000 votes. Taylor gained 39.4% of the ballots cast.

Leo Gervais was the Liberal Party candidate in that election and he had the support of 5,161 islanders for 11.2% of the vote.

The two fringe candidates polled slightly more than 500 votes.

This time around, Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands is home to 67,800 voters with 6,335 of those living and eligible to vote in the Gulf Islands.

On Salt Spring, there are 4,029 names on the voters list and people have 13 polls at which to cast a ballot.

For those who check their voters' cards and find that they are in polls 210 to 213, the poll is located at Central Hall.

Poll 214 is located at Greenwood.

Polls 215 to 220 will be in the United Church in Ganges while the south island polls, numbers 221 and

222, are at Fulford Hall.

In the Outer Islands, 2,300 eligible voters are listed.

The South Pender poll, 223, will be in the Church of the Good Shepherd while on the north island

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Tentative figure

Capital projects total \$568,387

The capital budget for the Gulf Islands School Board has been tentatively set at \$568,387 for 1985/86.

Some items on the list will be deleted before the school board has to submit it September 1.

The ministry of education, as part of the government's restraint program, has decreed that only essential items will be approved for funding. Emergency needs will also be covered.

The budget breaks down to \$67,000 to be spent on Gulf Islands Secondary School with the major item there being \$25,000 for a ventilation system for the industrial education complex.

The trustees will seek a further \$62,800 for improvements to Salt Spring Elementary School. Of that amount, \$20,000 will go towards redesigning the office area and \$12,000 for improvements to the

playing field. There will be new floors in seven classrooms for a cost of \$9,000.

At Fernwood School the capital budget calls for spending of \$12,637. The play area will be improved for a

Holiday deadlines

Holiday Monday deadlines will apply for next week's paper to allow *Driftwood* staff to observe Labour Day.

Display advertising deadline will be Thursday at 5 pm. Real estate advertising must be in by noon Friday and classified deadline is 3 pm Friday. News deadline is also 3 pm Friday.

Driftwood will appear next Wednesday at the usual time.

cost of \$3,000 and \$3,111 will be spent on computer hardware and software.

At the school board office, \$25,000 will be spent on resurfacing the parking lot beside Mahon Hall and \$20,000 will go to a 500-square-foot expansion as well as restoration work on the office space.

Transportation system will cost \$118,000 in capital improvements. Of that amount, \$80,000 will be sought for purchase of an 84-passenger school bus. Bus maintenance and servicing will carry a price of \$28,000, with the remaining \$10,000 being slotted for conversion of the buses to propane fuel use.

At the Pender school computer hardware will cost \$1,400 and new library books will cost \$1,000.

Repairs to the siding and addition of insulation to the Saturna school

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No dye test of harbour outfall

There will be no dye test of the outfall in Ganges Harbour.

Last week regional engineer R.C. Sommerville was invited to express an opinion on the testing of the outfall. He told directors that he did not see any value in the test. He could, however, recognize a political benefit.

It was explained that the dye test would offer no direct similarity to the effect of the effluent leaving the outfall. The effluent is absorbed into the surrounding water and the dye is not.

Directors were also told that the dye is not evident to the naked eye and is studied and traced by special instruments.

Board decided not to expend the necessary \$22,000 on the dye test.

Four candidates respond to questions

Four of the eight candidates for election in Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands have answered questions posed by *Driftwood*.

Jim Manly of the New Democrats, Don Taylor of the Progressive Conservatives, Liberal Mike Coleman and Lindsay Armstrong of the Green Party spoke on the issues.

The other candidates could not be reached for comment.

The candidates were asked if they would support a federal restraint program similar to the one being followed by the B.C. provincial government.

Each of the candidates opposed such a program if it were similar to the B.C. restraint measures.

Manly said that the "so-called restraint program" in B.C. was counter-productive.

"We have to be careful how we spend our money," he said.

Coleman suggested a need to look at government programs to determine their necessity. Administrative costs often push the price of such programs higher and should be looked at carefully, he said.

Taylor pointed out that B.C. restraint had come out of the lack of revenue being generated by the resource sector. The need for restraint federally may not be as great, he indicated, if the economy were spurred to produce more revenue.

Armstrong said that although restraint is necessary, it must be done properly without taking advantage of the unfortunate.

The deficit and how the programs of the various parties would affect it was the subject of another question.

Government must shift priorities

Manly noted that a short-term increase in the federal deficit must be recognized but that the government must shift its priorities. Getting people back to work would mean increased revenue from taxes.

Coleman said that the deficit should go down and not up. The lowering of interest rates, for instance, had allowed the government to shave \$50 million from the defense budget.

A constant review of spending would help the economy, he said.

Taylor said the PC fiscal program would allow the government to get a handle on the deficit.

"The PC's will work not to extend the deficit but to increase revenues which would help to balance the budget," he said.

Armstrong said that an equitable tax system would avoid a deficit. He urges the abolition of tax shelters

with tax breaks coming from direct economic investments.

"...Every party must ensure our children are not paying for our mismanagement," he said.

While ferry service on both coasts of Canada receives a subsidy from the federal government, the east coast ferries get more aid than do the ferries of B.C.

The whole situation must be reviewed, said Taylor, to ensure that federal grant money goes where it was intended.

Manly agreed that the subsidy should go to the ferry operation and not into the general revenue fund as it now does.

Coleman said of the ferry system, "It's a service that island residents are entitled to because there are no highways here."

But the service doesn't come for nothing, he added. Federal subsidies could contain strings to ensure that the money is spent in the right place, he said.

Keep ferries affordable

Armstrong noted, "If federal subsidies are necessary to keep the ferries affordable, then we must subsidize them."

The issue of nuclear disarmament brought similar responses from all the candidates.

Taylor noted that under former prime minister John Diefenbaker, the government had fought to keep nuclear weapons out of Canada. If disarmament can be verified, he would support it, said Taylor.

"We must bridge the misunderstanding and bring it to understanding," he said.

Coleman noted, "The peace process takes a lot more than just lip service."

He supports not just a freeze on nuclear weapons but a reduction and pointed to the efforts of Lester Pearson and Pierre Trudeau towards world peace.

When asked if he supported nuclear disarmament, Manly gave a one-word answer: "Absolutely."

Canada, he said, had an important role to play and the best place to start would be to cancel the cruise missile agreement as well as the umbrella agreement which allows the United States to test weapons in Canada.

Armstrong said, "Nuclear disarmament must become a reality

and Canada must take an active role in pursuing world peace."

He suggested that Canada should become non-aligned and seek non-aggression treaties with all countries.

Coleman, on the other hand, disagreed with Canada dropping its affiliations. This country must stay within the western alliance, he said.

Another issue in the current campaign involves the concept of a Gulf Islands national park.

Residents must be consulted

Each candidate stressed that the residents of the islands should be consulted before the concept proceeded much farther.

Manly said he was not opposed to the idea of a national park but the basic decision, he added, has to be made in consultation with the residents of the islands.

Coleman also stressed that consultation is necessary. He termed the idea a "lovely concept" which contained many problems.

Taylor said that there was not enough information on the idea for people to judge its worth.

"You don't walk into somebody's backyard and begin declaring portions of it as a national park," he said.

Armstrong suggested that more areas of B.C. should be protected by creating national and provincial parks. The people of the islands should be consulted, he added. Armstrong said that a marine park in the Gulf Islands waters would have his support.

The candidates were asked about their views on a Canada Customs office in Ganges, and each of them supported the idea. They mentioned that tourists from the United States might find Ganges more convenient than Bedwell Harbour on Pender Island.

Manly noted that the office in Ganges could help the Salt Spring tourist industry in the fall and spring.

Armstrong said, "Studies on convenience to tourists and residents may prove helpful in the decision."

Coleman said, "There's a good case to be made."

The three major candidates were also asked to answer specific questions.

Manly was asked about the NDP

view of Canada's role in NATO and whether the country's role should be increased or decreased.

Withdraw from NATO

He said that Canada's greatest contribution to world peace would be to withdraw from NATO and pursue an independent foreign policy.

The armed forces, he said, should be brought up to a position to be able to establish and maintain Canadian sovereignty and to establish a search and rescue function. The Canadian forces should be used for world peacekeeping duties, he said.

He was asked about the strength of unions today and the ties between organized labour and the NDP.

He doesn't think unions are too strong.

"What we see in B.C. right now is a concerted attack on unions," he said.

Unions, he said, have to move much more into areas of developing new strategies to combat unemployment and poverty.

The tragedy of the current recession, Manly said, was that some unionists have retreated into a fortress mentality.

As for the tie between NDP and organized labour, "I don't believe that the time to cut ties is when your friends are under attack."

He noted that the NDP had a record of speaking up for all sectors of society.

The issue has been overemphasized, he said, by "people trying to do a number on us." The NDP organization in Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands has no direct union affiliation, he said.

Coleman was asked about the recent patronage appointments.

He said that many should not

have been made and noted that the Bryce Mackasey appointment as ambassador to Portugal should be cancelled.

Not all the appointments were bad, he said, and compared them to abuses in the unemployment insurance program. "One in 100 makes the process look bad," he said.

Although he does not support the continuation of the practice, he does see a need to appoint people to such positions if they are sympathetic to the aims of the government.

Such appointments should not be tenured, he said, but should be made at the discretion of government.

A Liberal government, he said, would ease the high unemployment rate of B.C. by creating a stable investment climate.

Governments, he pointed out, do not create jobs. Business creates jobs. The government can only create a climate where growth of employment occurs, he said.

Taylor was questioned about the PC stand on medicare.

He said that extra billing by doctors should not be allowed. Part of the problem in medicare funding was that the federal government was not paying its fair share of the costs of the program.

He noted that in 1979, the PC government began a review of medicare and found that lower-income groups were not getting good use from the program. The review, however, ended with the Liberal victory in the 1980 election.

The delivery of services in medicare may have to be modified, he said, to ensure that service was available as it was intended.

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Come out of church smiling

Lots of people on Salt Spring Island knew Spike Bryan. A few remember his stage role as the Pearly King, with his late wife as his Pearly Queen. At the funeral last week for Henry Bryan, otherwise known as Spike, his stepson, Bryan Smith, recalled some of the humour that was Spike Bryan's life. He recalled his stepfather's definition of syncopation as an inebriated reveller out on a pub crawl. The music men call it an uneven movement from bar to bar.

Spike asked that his funeral be marked by laughter, not by tears and the mourners must leave the church smiling. It was Smith's job to encourage that state. One act that father and stepson had done together on many a stage was the handing over of a piece of music. Spike would exclaim, "Ah! This is by Paganini, the great Italian composer and violinist." That was the signal for Smith to snatch back the music. "What are you talking about? This isn't Paganini!"

Spike would point to the line. "What's it say there?" "Paganini? That says Page Nine!" Spike had a lot of friends on Salt Spring who remembered him in such roles.

How many do you need?

I have about 2,000 books. One of my daughters would quickly lay claim to many of them and I couldn't fight her. But how many books does anyone need? Books are like money. All you need is a few more. And I would have a lot more if I had more room for shelves. Maybe I have enough in some directions and not enough in others. Like dictionaries. I can never refuse one. I have 35 dictionaries and encyclopedias. One dictionary is in eight volumes and one is the condensed version of the Oxford. There are 13 volumes reduced to two and you need a magnifying glass to read it. If only they had made it four volumes it would have been near perfect.

Five are French and I have a dictionary of most common languages. The newest is new and the oldest is a 250-year-old Latin dictionary. I have 20 feet of shelving of Canadiana, history and oddity. But I'd need 200 feet to have enough to cover every question that arises. Then my fondness for automobiles takes over and I have dozens of books on cars and automobile history. Once I had more. But never passes a week but I need something that is not to be found anywhere in the few I possess. If only I had twice as many I would have all the answers! But that's where books are like dollars.

All my life I have known that I only needed another \$100 a month. Just one more and my troubles would have been over. And as fast as I got it (which was very, very rarely) I found that all I needed was another \$100. I never managed to find that extra \$100 that would bring a permanent prosperity in place of the persistent perplexity which guided my every step. And I shall never find the necessary reference books which will enable me to answer my own questions and those of my friends.

But books are the most aggravating. That elusive extra \$100 was any \$100. Those extra, elusive reference works have to be specific books and another 100 at random wouldn't fill the bill. It's a race that never ends. And I still couldn't find what I was looking for!

I can remember those old days

You know, I'm so old I can remember the days when the voters elected a government.

Best funeral they ever had!

Thinking of smiling at funerals reminds me of a classic funeral attended by my twin brother, Bill, at the beginning of the second world peace. He went to the north of England to visit a friend who had been a prisoner of war for years. And while he was away his ex-prisoner friend lost an uncle. In his will the late uncle asked that the funeral party stop, on the way to the cemetery, at his favourite pub. Not only did he direct they stop, but he left instructions that the cost of their last drink with Uncle would be borne by the estate.

In due course the cortege wheeled into the pub yard and the sad-faced mourners wheeled into the bar. When the bar closed they wheeled out of the bar and into the yard and out to the cemetery, still reeling; or wheeling.

The end was vague but the mourners all agreed afterwards that it was the best funeral they had ever attended. It's the kind of funeral I'd like to have but what's the use? It would be too late for me to enjoy it!

The changing language

There was a day when the first requirement of any printer was to correct the mistakes made by less punctilious scribblers who produced copy for classified advertisements. That the day is past becomes evident in every publication. I was looking through another newspaper, so I could afford to be critical, and I learned of the availability of a treddle sewing machine and some buffalo horns. Language changes as often as the weather. But it looks like changing a lot oftener the way things are spelt these days.

No ground tests

The Capital Regional Board last week decided not to proceed with further ground tests in Ganges.

When the recommendation came before directors in the form of a staff report calling for the allocation of surplus moneys for the study, Esquimalt Mayor Ken Hill expressed concern that such a report would follow board instructions that no study be undertaken.

Chairman Shirley Wilde told directors that the recommendation was hers. After discussions with Salt Spring Island director Hugh Borsman she had proposed that the

surplus in the Ganges Citizens' account be set against such a study.

The board also formally terminated the Underwood McLellan study into alternative methods. The report was received several months ago.

Election

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voters in polls 224 and 225 go to the Golf Club.

Saturna voters vote in the Community Hall on that island.

For Mayne Islanders, the two polls are to be located at the Agricultural Hall on Fernhill Road.

Galiano Island is split in two with south-enders attending the poll at the South Community Hall and north-enders going to the North Community Hall.

In the last election Gulf Islands voters favoured Taylor over Manly by more than 300 votes. Manly led on South Pender and Mayne while Taylor carried the other islands.

The polls open at 9 am and close at 8 pm.

Pub hit by thieves

Thieves broke into Vesuvius Inn on Salt Spring during the night of August 21 and walked off with money, booze and food.

There was \$1,446.80 in cash missing as well as liquor and beer valued at \$1,053. Also gone in the haul were six books of lottery tickets worth \$60.

The missing booze came to approximately 10 bottles of liquor and 70 cases of beer.

The thieves also helped themselves to several pounds of butter and a slab of cheddar cheese.

Entry was gained through a kitchen window.

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Five candidates in the Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands riding respond to questions from the non-partisan Election Priorities Project:

1. If elected, would you support the cancellation of the "Umbrella" agreement and the Cruise tests?

YES: Lindsay Armstrong, Green; Ron Jackson, Ind; Jim Manly, NDP.
NO: Don Taylor, PC.

UNDECIDED: Mike Coleman, Lib.

2. Would you support a Canadian vote for a "No First Use" position on nuclear weapons in NATO and at the UN?

YES: Mike Coleman, Lib; Lindsay Armstrong, Green; Ron Jackson, Ind; Jim Manly, NDP.
NO: Don Taylor, PC.

3. Do you support the abolition of the defence industry productivity programme and the funding of efforts to convert from military to non-military production?

YES: Lindsay Armstrong, Green; Ron Jackson, Ind; Jim Manly, NDP.
NO: Mike Coleman, Lib; Don Taylor, PC.

The full list of 13 questions & explanatory notes is available at the Peace Centre in Ganges.

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The local scene

Eight into one won't go.

There will be seven unsuccessful candidates in the Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands riding on Tuesday night when ballots are counted.

While the national election has developed into a personality contest between Liberal John Turner and Conservative Brian Mulroney, the local scene brings the eight candidates into local focus.

If the national scene is unpredictable, the local scene is more so. Locally, there are two candidates who have both held the seat for this riding. New Democrat Jim Manly, United Church minister, took the seat from Cowichan teacher Don Taylor in the last election. They are running again in Tuesday's election.

A third candidate, Mike Coleman, Duncan lawyer, also comes to the hustings with a proven record of vote-collecting. As a former alderman and mayor in Duncan, he looks back on a warm support from Cowichan municipal voters.

Both Manly and Taylor have, however, taken the seat with support from all parts of the riding. Coleman has no record of support in the south.

Two candidates are affiliated with less well-known political parties. Ron Snell is running for the Confederation of Regions Western Party. Newcomer to the local scene and representing a new party he faces the same double hazard as Lindsay Armstrong, who is running under the Green Party banner. Armstrong is also a newcomer to affairs and he carries a label which is known but untried here.

Libertarian James Taylor has not been an active candidate during the campaign and few voters are familiar with his platform.

Two independents, James Currie and Ron Jackson, have taken part in the campaign but there is nothing to suggest that either will make a deep mark in the balloting.

The riding is comparatively new and the voting pattern may never be established as it is one of the ridings marked for yet further boundary changes. As part of the Nanaimo riding it had voured the New Democrats. Indeed, two of the New Democrat greats, Tommy Douglas and Colin Cameron, were elected from this riding. Although one of British Columbia's most revered sons, the late George Pearkes, held the Nanaimo seat for as long as he sought it, the link with the Conservatives is now a little tenuous as the pattern of the riding has changed.

Until Don Taylor took Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands for the Tories in the short-lived Clark government, it had been part of the Nanaimo New Democrat bailliwick. Last election's reversal saw it back in the NDP fold.

The voting pattern reveals little to guide the speculator and Tuesday's voting will hold its secret until Tuesday night.

A busy service

Only bus service operating regularly in the Gulf Islands is that of the Gulf Islands School District. The schools operate a fleet of buses, most of which are running on Salt Spring Island.

For 10 months a year the buses are out from early morning until late afternoon hauling their loads of young islanders all primed to learn to become large islanders. One of the costly aspects of operating islands schools is the provision of transportation, although a substantial sum goes to provide marine transport for students.

The school district capital budget calls for the conversion of its bus fleet to propane gas. It is interesting to find a government function converting its vehicles to propane fuel. It will be interesting in the future to see how many other provincial and municipal services follow this example.

There will be many government agencies as well as private businesses in the area eager to learn of the experience of the school district in this connection, particularly the degree of saving accomplished by the change.



Campaign a male beauty pageant

BY FRANK RICHARDS

The election is like no other. For the first time in 16 years the Liberal Party is not led by Pierre Elliott Trudeau. For the first time in 16 years Trudeau is silent during an election campaign.

The nation wanted change. The west wanted in. And the Liberals urge that the change is already evident. Trudeau is no longer prime minister. Liberal policies are changing.

The Progressive Conservatives will be a change, press the Tories. A new government with a new party and a new leader.

The campaign has been more like a male beauty pageant than a political battle. News services have played the pageant game. Voters are not being asked to support a policy so much as to make a choice between the two national leaders. The theatrical character of television has brought the political leaders out of the hustings and on to the stage.

What issues are facing the voters? Unemployment is the ranking concern across Canada. The three first parties have the answers. Three different answers are offered to the Canadian voter. Government stimulation of industry or the creation of work by government funds or the introduction of new training and re-training programs are proposed.

URGENT CHALLENGE

Unemployment has never been so urgent a challenge since the Depression years. It is not peculiar to Canada. The western world has suffered a sharp drop in the economy over the past several years. All leaders are agreed that the first step in that fight must be tax reform.

The voter must decide which policy is likely to result in a speedy recovery.

Western alienation is a state of life in the west. Vote Liberal and end that alienation, urges John Turner. Vote Conservative and bring the west into the national scheme, echoes Brian Mulroney. Vote New Democrat and bring pressure on the government, says Ed Broadbent. The Confederation of Regions urges the election of a western bloc under its new banner to speak for the four western provinces.

The voter is left to decide which party will heal the breach. And he must decide how deep is the rift.

The west is not alone. The rising

sense of power among the provinces over past decades has seen relations between Ottawa and the regions deteriorate. Every province suffers from a sense of alienation. Every province suffers from the conviction that it merits a bigger slice of the national pie, while the central government fears that it might end up with no pie at all.

NEW GROUND RULES

The new government must meet amicably with the provincial leaders and establish new ground rules. The voter must decide which leader is the likely candidate for harmony.

But the voter faces a greater problem than the party leaders. The voter must relate the national issues with the local candidates. The voter must find his own way and then decide whether to plump for the local man for the sake of the party he speaks for or to sort out the local candidates and find a compromise.

The election campaign has not helped a lot.

The national dogs must be delighted with the flurry of polls. Opinion polls have shown a sharp favour for the Tories. They have moved over to accommodate the Grits and now they have swung back to embrace the Conservatives.

Opinion polls are probably a snare and a delusion to the man with the vote. To some they are gratifying. To others they are frustrating. And to the uncommitted they are mystifying. The polls show a vacillating nation of voters swaying back and forth between the main political parties. And that's probably the mark of their accuracy.

The polls will bring some voters from one camp to another to get on the bandwagon. They will also sway others into a more fervent support of the underdog. Polls don't enlighten. They confuse. They are probably a good guide to policy makers. After all, policy makers obviously need some nourishment.

TRIVIAL RUBBISH

News coverage of the election campaign has been interesting. It has ranged from bottom-patting to the personal opinion of the reporter reporting. Never in any national election has the voting public been offered a more delectable dish of trivial rubbish. Few news services have lived up to the name. Even the national encounters between leaders have carefully avoided anything of a serious or important nature.

The campaign opened with heavy black mark against the Liberals. The appointment of the Trudeau Liberal faithful to offices of dignity and importance represented a major obstacle to John Turner's climb from a 10-year obscurity to a prime ministerial seat in the Commons. These things are done by every government. But the appointments were ill-timed, ill-chosen and unfortunate. But the campaign opened with an unexpected swing in polled opinion towards the Liberals before they swung away.

THE PEACE ISSUE

The nuclear peace issue has been pressed by the peace promoters but it has not become an election issue. The New Democrats have embraced it. Neither Conservatives nor Liberals have adopted the proposal for a nuclear weapons freeze. A number of maverick candidates have taken a firm stand away from their leaders. It is likely that both parties would welcome the possible support following such a commitment but neither would want to live up to so sweeping an election promise. Liberals were possibly more sympathetic with a greater analysis of the issues involved.

For four weeks we have been offered a diet of trivia laced, here and there, with a few morsels of substantial policy. And from this daily dish the voter must gain nourishment enough to settle the fate of three major parties, several minor parties, numerous individual candidates and the nation.

A few voters could legitimately complain of under-nourishment.

The Liberals have emphasized that their policies will change. And Turner has cited instances. The Conservatives have promised vast changes and Mulroney has hinted at a few. The NDP have offered considerable examples of promised changes in many areas.

As the campaign opened, the margin between Conservative and Liberal was so narrow that few would make a guess as to the outcome. By the close of the campaign, the Tories are undoubtedly out in front, but despite poll after poll after poll there will be no certain victory until the final polls have closed and the ballots are counted.

Option must be examined

Sir,
I write to express my personal view of the latest element in the Salt Spring sewer saga. First, I must commend our Regional Director for the firm stand he has taken at the CRD board in insisting that full study be given to both the Passive Biological Treatment System (coal filtration) and possible land disposal of sewage effluent. Cost considerations alone make this option something we must examine in considerable detail if with a critical eye. Of additional importance is the enthusiastic response it has received from many on the island who have hitherto opposed the proposed outfall and RBC treatment system for environmental as well as cost reasons. Like the Regional Director, I wish for a speedy and peaceful resolution of the sewer issue at a price we can afford.

I wish I could be as positive in my assessment of the response that was forthcoming from staff and certain directors at the CRD. It is unfortunate that a motion denying funds for an impartial examination of coal filtration was passed; somewhat more hopeful that a resolution denying them for further study of a possible land disposal site was tabled for discussion and recommendation at committee level.

I think that the people of Salt Spring might be interested in some of the figures presented with regard to the coal filtration method. Mr. Chow, of Edward Chow and Associates Ltd., the proponent of the system now awaiting final Waste Management Branch approval for installation on Bowen Island, has said that he will supply a complete package, backed by a performance

bond, and including collection system, treatment and land disposal for \$1,683,273.00. Of this, \$359,000.00 would be for local labour and materials on the plant and disposal field alone. Operating costs, he says, would be \$102,000.00 a year, including \$56,000.00 for the collection system (CRD figure).

CRD engineers believe that his costs will be much higher: 2.8 million for installation and \$117,452.00 operating costs—still \$43,560.00 a year less than RBC and outfall, however.

Total capital costs for the outfall, RBC and collection system are projected to be \$4,680,000.00. Operating costs are now said to be \$156,701.00. Last week they were \$227,301.00.

I, for one, believe in a meticulous review of both options and combinations thereof in view of the great discrepancies in cost estimates between what I consider to be two sets of competing engineers. I think that the first element must be a thorough hydro-geological study of the proposed land site to resolve once and for all whether or not this is a viable option. Certainly, Mr. Dakin of Piteau and Associates, Geotechnical consultants, is optimistic about this, and Mr. Steve McMinn, of Underwood McClellan, said he would not be greatly surprised if suitable land were to be found. Again, I share the expressed view of Dr. Borsman that this study must be made. I would also stress the importance of using independent consulting engineers for this task.

There are many questions yet to be answered before a final decision can be honestly made on either system. Let us hope that we have the opportunity to ask them.

DAVID WILLIAMS,
R.R. 1, Ganges.
August 19, 1984.

pay for it (the RBC)."

We now urge everyone to consider promoting a 45,000-gallon Coal Filtration and Land Disposal System. Certainly the cost of such a system could not be rivalled by the RBC system. This size of system would allow Ganges townsites to grow immediately by 50% even if compulsory hookup was mandatory, but because compulsory hookup is not desirable, the latitude for growth would be even greater.

We could overbuild the field to satisfy those that doubt the quality of our system and monitor the effluent for one year. When Ganges needed to grow further the quality of the system would be proven and because of overbuilding, only small low cost changes would be necessary to double the size to 90,000 gallons. This proposal keeps initial costs even lower and satisfies those who are skeptical about the system's quality.

It is hard to believe that the CRD would continue to act in this irresponsible fashion in a prevailing national atmosphere of anti-government-bureaucracy and hard economic times! We have much greater faith in the ingenuity, spirit and integrity of Salt Spring Islanders.

JONATHAN L. OLDROYD,
Ganges.
August 20, 1984.

Bylaws planned

Sir,
If any of your readers are interested in supporting a noise bylaw for Salt Spring and a bylaw to regulate places of amusement they may do so by writing to Regional Director Borsman, c/o Capital Regional District, 524 Yates St., P.O. Drawer 1000, Victoria, B.C. V8W 2S6.

Plans are being made for the preparation of a Salt Spring noise bylaw, and CRD staff are in the process of preparing one for the regulation of amusement places throughout the district.

JOHN CROFTON,
Alternate Director,
Box 126, Ganges.
August 19, 1984.

Overwhelmed

Sir,
I should like to thank the vast army of islanders who lent their time, energy, and personal property to us three half crazed creators of *Islomania* in order to support, encourage and guarantee the success of our production.

I was quite overwhelmed by your generosity and faith—thank you Salt Spring Island!
YVONNE ADALIAN,
DIANNA HAYES,
MEREDITH ASHBY O'NEILL
August 1984.



Bill Webster

And so summer in the Gulp Isles ends abruptly.

The Friday night slopitch players otherwise known as the "What a way to end a week" bunch, went at it for two days of non-stop action to decide the winner of the league.

And Deadwood, true to form, declined to show up.

But never fear, folk, for at the last moment of the regular season, Deadwood snatched a victory. Yes, the team finally won a game.

The players tried everything they could think of to maintain their impeccable record by being the first team to slide through a season without a win. But the other team laughed a lot and thwarted Deadwood in its quest.

And the celebration party lasted into the wee hours of Saturday afternoon with the result that the team did not make it to the ball field that day. Or the next.

The Rebs and the Inn Team took a determined run at that other team which wins everything. In the end, justice didn't prevail and the league has to put up with scholarly smirks for another year.

Just wait until next weekend. There are more games on tap.

Teams are coming from Victoria and the San Juans as well as Duncan to play with the local athletes, just for the fun of it.

Will Deadwood show?

Who knows what procrastination lurches in the minds of that bunch.

Meanwhile, on the other exciting front, the days dwindle down to a precocious few and E-day looms large.

Just as the chorus sang the refrain: "When will it ever end," the politicians approach judgment day.

One can tell that this has been a non-eventful campaign. The hot air which should be wafting across the land isn't and nights are distinctly cool lately.

The question which voters in the Gulp Isles must answer comes down to a choice from

among eight. Too bad the Rhino didn't throw his horn into the ring this time around.

Listening to the ones who are on the ballot talk about unemployment, nuclear disarmament and motherhood has made this a less than interesting election. Why, even John of B.S. and Brian of B.C. seem to have lost their lustre.

John doesn't pat posteriors anymore and Brian has learned that walking is difficult with a foot in the mouth. The pair of them are beginning to look and sound just like pork-barrel politicians of old.

We leave the ballot front to move on to things of greater import.

The Mounties have been riding roughshod over local gardens lately. The efforts of an individual to bring modern technology to the growth of grass met with disapproval from the constabulary.

Any number of farmers and residents from Salt Spring's Cranberry, and Maxwell area point out pointedly that they were not involved and are not amused at the hints and rumours that they make their cash supply from funny looking plants.

To be sure, such an occupation does have its inherent drawbacks. The farmer must grow twice the number of plants necessary for a good sales season just to cover the cost of court action.

Some of the more seasoned growers disguise their efforts in corn fields and other similar places.

The times have changed. In federal election campaigns of a few years ago, growing and consuming the illegal weed was part of the talk. This time around no one has mentioned the subject.

And so to close for another week. The sad thing to report is that the Patriotic Pickup has developed a nasty tendency to lay down at the side of the road for a snooze. The driver will try hard to break it of the habit.

Stay tuned.

Letters to the Editor

Information 'manipulated'

Sir,
I am writing on behalf of the Ad Hoc COALition to comment very briefly on the manipulation by the C.R.D. of financial information in the two proposals for the Ganges Sewer System.

As many people may have heard by now, the C.R.D. engineers, in fear of the much lower capital costs and operating costs of our Coal Filtration Disposal System, put forward their estimates of building our system while knowing nothing about it three weeks ago. They took Edward Chow & Associates Ltd. bondable projected costs of \$870,000.00 for completing a 90,000-gallon system and inflated it to \$1.5 million. They also inflated Chow's estimated operating costs from \$90,000 to \$117,452 while lowering their own from \$227,000 to \$156,701 in the space of two weeks.

In so doing, of course, the CRD engineers were attempting to undermine the best advantages of the Coal Filtration System, that of low capital costs and low annual user charges. Their estimates did not include a credit for selling of the RBC system and no breakdown was given of either capital costs or COAL or operating costs.

No opportunity was given for Chow to rebut or question the CRD engineers and naturally their tactics—fear of the unknown and negligible cost advantages—brought the desired negative vote. The local Task Force has voted unanimously that there be no compulsory hookup. The same CRD voice that voted against COAL said "you force everybody to

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Decision made in good faith

BY HUGH BORSMAN
Salt Spring Regional Director

On August 15 a special meeting of the Capital Regional Board was held to discuss our sewer problem. The main topic discussed was the coal filtration sewage treatment method with possible land disposal.

I first heard about this coal filtration method (CFM) about five months ago when I arranged a meeting with Mr. Chow and Mr. Coulthard. With what information I had then, I discussed it with the CRD engineers, who knew about it and had discussed it with the above two proponents. They did not say it would not work, only that the method had been known for many years, and no one was using it for the treatment of community domestic sewage. Mr. Chow confirms this.

The engineers felt they could not recommend an untried method which they had not been able to study. I agreed at that time, considering that with our history of problems the last thing we could afford to do on Salt Spring Island was to experiment (we had already spent \$2.8 million!)

Since that meeting five months ago, nothing had changed. There is still only one house in Metchosin using it, and two abattoirs used it in the Vancouver area, but both have been closed for economic reasons. The one in Richmond presumably worked well. The Langley plant, as reported by a health inspector of the B.C. ministry of health, "produced complaints of flies and smells emanating from the filters".

"The effluent appeared poorly treated, and drained into a roadside ditch, where it smelled and caused excessive growth".

NOT IMPRESSED

At any rate, the regional board listened to a lengthy presentation by Mr. Chow, then to the CRD engineers, and then finally to two of our local group who were urgently proposing that we adopt the method. The board was, in my view, quite rightly not impressed. I stated at the meeting that I felt that the CRD engineers would be irresponsible if they supported the experimental use of the CFM on Salt Spring Island.

Providing that Bowen Island gets a permit, it will be interesting to see their results. Remember though that the Bowen Island proposal comprises 43 properties with 80 users as of today. The total cost is given as \$300,000. Just installing the collecting system in Ganges will cost up to \$1,000,000, so there is no direct comparison.

So the CRD Board voted against any further study and expenditure of money on the CFM and I am sure that they will not reconsider the matter. Those who continue to encourage experimentation with the CFM are wasting their time, and ours.

SEPARATE MATTER

The matter of land disposal of effluent is a completely separate matter although since the CFM lent itself particularly to land discharge, it is easy to see how the package was put together. For 15 years we have been hearing about alternative methods of land disposal. Either bad luck or bad management we

have not previously come up with sufficient suitable land for ground disposal.

Recently it appeared suitable land might be available, and a preliminary test by a competent hydrogeologist suggested it was worth further study. I felt very strongly that it should be explored, even at a cost of \$25,000, and told the board that I considered this a priority. On the August 15 meeting, when they rejected the CFM, they deferred a decision regarding the land study. One week later at a regular board meeting they voted against any further investigation. This included doing a dye test of the harbour, which our local task force, and the previous citizens' committee, had strongly supported.

My own position was that a land study would show that either the land was not suitable, in which case ocean discharge was inevitable and further studies not justified, or that land was suitable in which case we could explore the question of the present proposed treatment plant (RBC) discharging to ground.

This matter has been debated for 15 years or so. Some three quarters of a million dollars have been spent for studies and design. All this, plus the actual sewer costs, are waiting to be pinned on a relatively few users in the Ganges core. Could the CRD in all conscience continue to load increasing debt on those unfortunates, when all the studies to date have not changed anything?

IN GOOD FAITH

Despite criticism of the board, and there will no doubt be hot and heavy debate, I am absolutely convinced that the board's decision, which over-ruled my views, was made in good faith, and with the best interests of the community at heart.

If the land had checked out, we would have had to put a price on the new packet. To get sufficient land to satisfy the WMB, and to put in a large enough tile field to satisfy them, and for installation costs and materials, we would be looking at an additional one half, or more likely one million dollars. We would then have to ask the people of Salt Spring Island if they wanted to produce this money from taxes, or use the present system, which could be installed without an extra capital levy. We would also have had to spend up to \$40,000 for the procedures necessary to get a new permit, plus up to six months to one year's delay before we knew we would get a permit, and could proceed.

Also we must bear in mind that there are many who should know, and many, like myself, who have no special knowledge, who believe the ocean discharge of well treated effluent is preferable to land discharge; the ocean is certainly more forgiving. My enthusiasm for further land studies was to try and keep peace in our family, not to

promote a system I personally had some doubts about. I personally am confident that the present proposed system, the most complete and sophisticated system discharging into the sea in British Columbia, will be completely satisfactory.

BURDEN MAY BE REDUCED

At the August 15 CRD meeting, the treasurer and acting executive director, Bill Jordan, submitted a proposal which would ask the ministries of education and health to put money up front on behalf of the school and hospital. The ministry of municipal affairs is helping us make this approach. If this hope is realized, the burden on the community will be materially reduced. I feel the concept is more than reasonable.

At the present time the Task Force is suggesting a designated area for the sewer which includes the Ganges core and institutions only. The probable cost of installing the trunk lines for this area will be about \$750,000, rather than the approximate \$1.2 million for installing trunk lines in the whole village (which was the original specified area two years ago). The installation of the treatment plant (components already paid for) should be about \$600,000. Allowing for some contingencies, we need \$1.4 to \$1.5 million to be ready to go. We have at present \$1.73 million already borrowed and at present earning money because of the forgiveness of 75% of the carrying charges because of the Sewer Facilities Assistance Grant.

We are now in the process of reviewing operating costs, item by item. It would appear that the latest CRD figures of \$156,000 a year in operating costs are realistic. We need assurance from the engineers that this is indeed a firm figure.

We will then have to find out whether money from health and education will be forthcoming before we can give reasonably accurate figures for user charges. We believe, however, that the original projections of the local finance committee will be reasonably accurate. Some pretty wild figures have recently been bandied about, and they can be ignored.

There is much that I have omitted. You can ask questions of the Task Force at the end of their meetings, or you can phone me at 537-5211, preferably in the evenings. As soon as the financing picture is clearer, I'm sure the Task Force will be arranging public meetings.



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Campaigning at Ganges

Campaigning in Ganges on Saturday for Liberal candidate Mike Coleman was Brenda Norris, from Montreal, sister of Prime Minister John Turner. She was on the island to visit her mother in Lady Minto Hospital and put in a short time to drum up interest in her brother's cause. She has been campaigning in Vancouver Quadra. She is planning to leave for New Brunswick to continue working in the federal election campaign. Norris spent an hour or more in the Farmers' Market.

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Official Agent for Don L. Taylor

More Letters to the Editor

Bells will ring for peace

Sir,
Bells for Peace will be ringing in Ganges, Fulford and the North End on Sunday, Sept. 2 between 12 and 12:30 pm. St. George's, St. Mary's and St. Mark's Churches will be participating in this nationwide symbolic gesture.

It is a call for all Canadians to pause and consider the issues of peace and social development in our nuclear age. There can be no real peace while 30 children die every minute of every day from lack of food and inexpensive vaccine, and every minute of every day \$1½ million is spent on arms.

Take a few minutes to pray or meditate when you hear the bells ringing in your neighbourhood. And if you have a bell to ring, please join with us for the cause of world peace.

JOHN BAILEY
Rector, Anglican Parish
of Salt Spring Island.
August 27, 1984.

Contenders can't get it together

Sir,
I am advised by the Salt Spring Planning Association that there will likely be no all-candidates meeting for the Gulf Islands, because the two major contenders can't "get it together". Is it because we only represent 6% of the voting population and we're not worth it? It can't be all that hard to get the NDP and Conservatives together... after all, their representatives are in the Saturday market almost every week!

It seems to me, that in this time of "fiscal restraint" (6 & 5) when MP's voted themselves an annual income of \$78,000 and expenses, they should be at least willing to turn up for a "job interview" and answer some simple questions:

Mr. Taylor, will Canada become a branchplant to the U.S.—what proportion of tax incentives, rebates do Conservatives plan to give domestic industry as opposed to Multinationals? Will you create regional economic banking policies.

stimulating job creation? How about cleaning up our "industrial environment": pollutants, bleaches from the pulp mills pouring into the Gulf of Georgia, not to mention dioxins and 24D from forestry activities contaminating fish, wildlife and water supply?

Is it fair to allow one man control of the majority of Mac-Blo shares with plans to log the untouched virgin timber on Meares Island in the Tofino recreational area and watershed? In other words, do you savvy the connection between economic policy, environmental impact and social damage? And do you support the Social Credit attitude toward the average person as exemplified by the current bus strike? They've collected about 1½ to two million in their coffers, ignoring the plight of the old, young, tourist and businessperson alike!

And Mr. Manly, do you support the concept of gradually restructuring our educational system, moving towards smaller community schools integrating the community with students, parents and teachers using more relevant curriculum? How do you feel about the Mobilarectic proposal to weld supertankers for Alaska creating jobs in Nanaimo?

I'll support the election of the leader who is pragmatic and follows through in his approach; not the smooth-talker. Each candidate, or party only represents a small fraction of the picture; we can hope for new alliances, a new, more decentralized approach to decision-making and economics to serve the people, not the reverse...

SUE HISCOCKS,
Ganges.
August 20, 1984.

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Property not in watershed

Sir,
The position of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District regarding the Williamson rezoning was not reported accurately in the August 22 issue of *Driftwood*.

The water district did not say that the Williamson property was within the physical watershed as it exists

now. What we did say is that most of the surface runoff from the area that includes the Williamson property and the Highways' gravel storage yard is diverted out of the watershed by two shallow ditches. Any change in drainage patterns in the future, whether as a result of agricultural drainage, land development or road construction could easily divert the entire surface runoff from this large area into the lake, and we could receive no guarantees that this would not happen.

The Williamson rezoning would have set a precedent, eventually leading to extensive commercialization of the area. The impact of runoff from this type of development would have serious consequences for St. Mary Lake, and therefore the water district felt the risks were unacceptable.

M. LARMOUR,
North Salt Spring
Waterworks District,
Ganges.
August 24, 1984.

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CONCLUSIONS:

1. This preliminary assessment leads us to conclude that previous studies have not seriously investigated the benchland soils located less than 2 miles west of Ganges.
2. There are two areas within the benchland area that each have a definite potential for satisfactorily absorbing up to 90,000 gpd of 20/30 sewage effluent.

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Land is Available.

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More Letters to the Editor

Ludicrous proposals

Sir,

The proposals for an improved Canada, which have been produced by politicians during the present campaign, are all almost equally laughable. Possibly the most ludicrous are those of the New Democrats.

For example: "In order to promote economic recovery, we would set a limit to interest rates, which would be two percentage points higher than the current inflation rate."

This scheme would immediately trigger massive borrowings. The funds would then be converted into US dollars, and invested at a higher rate in the US. This trade in turn will push down the value of the Canadian dollar, and that in turn will force up the Consumer Price Index. Do we need an increase in the rate of "inflation"—or more precisely, of increase in the Consumer Price Index?

Next example: "There are people whose income is in the \$100,000 bracket, yet they do not pay any income tax."

I saw that TV program, too. Any student of our tax law must be horrified by its complexity. Simply put, if you have \$100 income from dividends of a Canadian company, you qualify for \$34 "Dividend Tax Credit." On average, the first \$20 of this cancels out the tax on the \$100 income; the other \$14 helps to reduce other taxes.

It is important to note that the \$100 dividend is merely what was left after the initial \$200 of corporate income had been taxed at roughly 50%. The \$14, mentioned above, had the effect of reducing the \$100 or so which was grabbed in "corporation tax" by the Dominion Government, to say \$86—which is still 43% of the original \$200 in corporate earnings, or more than twice the average rate of personal income tax.

Indeed, equity demands that shareholders in Canadian corporations pay less—not more—"Income Tax". Clearly the NDP have not done their fiscal homework! A good case can be made for the removal of all corporation tax. Why should the providers of venture capital be punished, merely because they are "incorporated" in a Joint Stock Company?

Would you finance Canadian industry with your savings, under these handicaps? And would you entrust the management of your country to these financial wizards of the NDP?

COLIN NICHOLSON,
Ganges.
August 1984.

NDP work for success of all

Sir,

For the first time in history, as a result of rapidly increasing efficiency in all of our technologies, we can now look after the basic needs of all of humanity without anybody on this planet having to accept a lower standard of living than they are presently experiencing. This potential advantage for all of humanity is an inadvertent side effect of the arms race. The competition to the death for what we thought to be the inadequate life support capabilities of this planet has resulted in ever more efficient killing machines. This technology

has trickled down to raise the total efficiency of our society so much that we can now adequately take care of everyone, making the arms race obsolete, since there is no longer any need to compete.

To anyone who doubts this, I recommend Buckminster Fuller's book, *Critical Path*. Fuller goes much further, saying on the basis of inventories he has taken of all the available resources and technologies, that all of humanity now has the potential to live at a standard of living higher than that previously experienced by anyone, without the use of petroleum or nuclear power. Of course, we can only realize this potential if we overcome our fear of each other, convert all of our armaments into tools that can raise everybody's standard of living (thus giving us some real security), and work co-operatively for the success of all humanity.

Of the three major federal political parties, the New Democrats are the only ones who have a record of consistently working for the success of all people, rather than a select few. The big business backed parties, the Liberals, Tories and Socreds, have done their best to inspire fear of the NDP in people. Big business generally believes that it has to compete to preserve its wealth. This was the case in the past, but now, thanks to constantly improving technology, we can all become more wealthy, and insure our survival, by co-operating. Liberals and Conservatives say that we need foreign investment to create jobs, and claim that if the NDP gets elected, they will scare off investors and cause a depression. This is false; we already have abundant wealth in this country; enough resources and ideas to make this country self-sufficient and to provide a high standard of living for everyone in it.

Some people argue that if we let our technology provide a high standard of living for everyone, we will create a society of apathetic welfare bums. I believe that this apathy is a result of our education and child rearing methods, which are designed to produce semi-robotic people who will not question authority, and who will not think for themselves, but will do whatever task is assigned them by society. This system crushes inventiveness and creativity, and tends to result in apathy.

We do not need more armaments or foreign investment; we need to develop our own self-sufficiency and help other parts of the world do likewise if we truly want to live in a world free from fear, hunger and violence in its many forms.

DOUG MANLY,
c/o Tao Kimball,
RR 2, Ganges.
August 26, 1984.

Thank you

Sir,

As Publicity Officer for the production *Caterer to the King*, I wish to thank you for your kind co-operation in bringing the matter to the attention of your readers.

You were generous indeed with editorial space and pix, and this is much appreciated.

BEVIS WALTERS,
Box 484, Ganges.
August 27, 1984.

No park donation

Sir,

It was good to see that all our elected representatives—Hugh Borsman of the C.R.D., Bev Unger and Nick Gilbert of the Islands Trust and our M.P. Jim Manly—were all concerned about the proposed subdivision at Musgrave.

On C.B.C. Radio this morning Mr. Jobb of Rico Holdings stated that the Musgrave subdivision complied with our zoning bylaws, but one of our bylaws states that in subdivisions containing lots smaller than five acres, five percent of the total area is to be donated as park. In Rico's present proposal there is no park donation.

The cost of providing school bus service to this community would be astronomical. Our buses cost about \$1.50 a mile and to add 18 miles of dirt road four times a day to the bus routes would substantially increase school transportation costs.

If we incorporate, we would also be obliged to maintain that road as better than four-wheel-drive—another cost for all property tax owners to assume.

I also believe that there are some places that are worth preserving for the enjoyment of all British Columbians and tourists, and that Musgrave Landing is such a place. After all, tourism is now our number one industry in B.C. and if we destroy the places the tourists wish to see, we soon won't see the tourists. During the summer months a non-stop stream of boaters put in at the government wharf, and many stay overnight. A couple of weeks ago two camped in the park there and nine boats were anchored overnight in the harbour.

Next Saturday in the Farmers' Market there will be a petition to sign protesting the proposed subdivision. Mr. Jobb says that only a couple of people are against his plan. Let's show him!
SUSAN BRADFORD,
R.R. 3, Ganges.
August 27, 1984.

Captivated audience

Sir,

This is to express my thanks to Joan Raeside for composing and directing another delightful children's musical fantasy. Her lilting songs and charming lyrics created an atmosphere that captivated the audience and participants alike.

The hours of rehearsal and preparation of costumes and scenery call for community-wide gratitude for artists and musicians such as Joan and her helpers who work to provide such a worthwhile experience for everyone involved.

I'm sure I speak for many others who comprised the enthusiastic audiences at all the performances.
DOROTHY McCUTCHEON,
Sardis, B.C.
August 27, 1984.

Candidates polled

Sir,

Since it appears we are not to have an All-Candidates meeting on Salt Spring I trust you will find space for the following responses to three of the questions circulated to candidates in 145 ridings nationwide.

1) If elected, would you support the cancellation of the "Umbrella" agreement and the Cruise tests? ("Umbrella" agreement allows testing of various U.S. defence weapons in Canada).

Lindsay Armstrong, Green: Yes; Mike Coleman, Lib.: Undecided; Ron Jackson, Ind.: Yes; Jim Manly, N.D.P.: Yes; Don Taylor, P.C.: No.

2) Would you support a Canadian vote for a "No First Use" position on nuclear weapons in NATO and at the UN?

Lindsay Armstrong, Green: Yes; Mike Coleman, Lib.: Yes; Ron Jackson, Ind.: Yes; Jim Manly, N.D.P.: Yes; Don Taylor, P.C.: No.

3) Do you support the abolition of the defence industry productivity program and the funding of efforts to convert from military to non-

military production?

Lindsay Armstrong, Green: Yes; Mike Coleman, Lib.: No; Ron Jackson, Ind.: Yes; Jim Manly, N.D.P.: Yes; Don Taylor, P.C.: No.

BIS WHITBY,
R.R. 3, Ganges.
August 27, 1984.

P.S. Over 10,000 people in this riding have recently signed the Peace Petition supporting the intent of the above questions.

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Sir,

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QUESTION

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ANSWER

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Tory candidate

Taylor wants repeat of 1979

Don Taylor of the Progressive Conservatives seeks a repeat of the 1979 federal election when he was chosen to sit in parliament as member for Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands.

He won that election by 1,550 votes over Jim Manly of the New Democrats but in February 1980 he lost to Manly by 4,000 ballots.

Taylor, 53, was born in Edmonton, Alberta, and moved with his family to Victoria in 1942.

He graduated from the University of Victoria in 1965 with a Bachelor of Education (Elementary) with qualifications to teach secondary school in history and geography.

While he was pursuing his degree, Taylor worked at a variety of jobs

such as surveying for the federal department of mines, working at H.M.C. Dockyard in Victoria, on the C.P.R. and with Vancouver Island Coach Lines among other things.

Taylor began his teaching career at Alexander Elementary School in Duncan in 1961. He went on an overseas exchange to Scunthorpe, England, in the 1967-68 school year before returning to Koksilah Elementary School near Duncan as assistant principal.

He transferred to Mount Prevost Junior Secondary School to head the English and social studies departments in 1974. Except for a leave of absence when he was elected in 1979, Taylor remains on staff at

that school.

On the civic side, Taylor lists involvements in the Cowichan District Teachers' Association as past-president and membership in the Duncan-Cowichan Chamber of Commerce.

He served in the RCAF as an airborne radio-radar operator and continued his involvement through the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 53.

Taylor has also served as people's warden as well as minister's warden at St. Peter's Church in Quamichan and has acted as director for both the United Appeal and the United Way.

He is a member of the Kiwanis Club of Duncan.

For leisure, Taylor enjoys swimming and skiing on both water and snow. He was a member of the Cowichan Rugby Club having learned and played the game in high school and college.

In 1953, Taylor married Mavis Barnes and they have two children, Lloyd, 26, and Ann, 25. Also part of the Taylor family is Roggi, a four-year-old Airedale.

Following his election to parliament in 1979, Taylor served on three committees. He was a member of the fisheries and forestry committee, the veterans' affairs as well as Indian affairs and northern development committees.

When the short-lived Joe Clark government went down to defeat in February of 1980, Taylor was one of the casualties. But in both elections, he gathered more votes in the islands than did Manly of the NDP.

As past-president of the Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands P.C. Association, Taylor was part of the group setting up the P.C. election machine in British Columbia and the Yukon since the last federal vote.

He has also been stumping the local constituency as P.C. candidate since his nomination in December of 1981.



Don Taylor

To meet Thursdays

The Gulf Islands School Board will be meeting Thursdays instead of Wednesdays during October and November.

The new meeting dates are set for October 11 and 25. The second meeting that month will be held on Galiano Island.

For November, the new days of meetings are November 15 and 29.

The September meetings remain on Wednesdays with the first meeting set for September 5 and the

second meeting set for Pender Island on September 19.

The trustees gather in committee during the mornings of the meeting days and throw the doors open to the public at 1 pm.

The trustees normally meet at the school board office on Salt Spring but attempt to hold one meeting on each of the other islands during the year. They met on Mayne and Saturna earlier this year.

Mayne heliport supported

Mayne Island heliport gained the blessing of the Capital Regional Board last week when directors approved an application to the ministry of transportation and highways for its licensing.

Directors were told that the helicopter pad is located on land leased to the Capital Regional District adjacent to the Mayne

Island Health Clinic. It is intended for emergency-medical needs only.

In April of last year, directors were reminded that the board approved the application to the same ministry for a grant-in-aid, under the Air Transport Assistance Program, to assist with approved costs of the facility.

This Week in Recreation

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GALIANO NEWS

25 club members tour North Galiano gardens

BY KATHLYN BENDER

Last Wednesday about 25 club members visited North Galiano gardens. First they rendezvoused at president Edith Wishart's home, and admired her hydrangeas, roses and window boxes filled with fibrous begonias. Healthy onions and egg plants were being grown in raised beds with concrete sides and wooden ends so that Terry can mow the grass paths between.

The second call was at past president Aini Haksi's where a good show of annuals and perennials is on view at the front of the house. Along the southwest side of the house gardeners were interested in the greenhouse built beneath the sundeck by husband Arne.

Nearby at Marcelle Kolosoff's, the gardeners saw a second growth of lettuce and peas and huge sunflowers. Magnificent lawns and roses stretched down to the sea. After admiring Alistair Ross's garden with its beautiful petunias gardeners were refreshed by afternoon tea served by his wife Dorothy.

Incidentally the Garden Club members who visited UBC gardens in early summer, and saw the blue Himalayan poppies being pollinated by a Chinese graduate student, will be interested to know that Miss Qu visited Galiano for four days this week. She has chosen the poppies as her plant science research project, partly because she loves the pure blue, large flowers but also because the seeds are very difficult to germinate and the plants are grown in very few places because of its climatic requirements.

Accompanying her was 24-year-old Miss Tang, a fellow graduate of Peking University who will be away from home for four to five years doing a doctoral program in chemistry at UBC.

Two Chinese visiting scholars also came to Galiano. Lei Shenlong, who is an engineer in charge of the building of large dams and bridges, explains that the difference between projects of this kind in China and Canada is that what machines do here manpower does there, so that he may have to supervise as many as 10,000 workers on one site, although he has the assistance of 10 graduate students from the university where he lectures, to help keep everyone busy. Huang Hezhou, who is studying computer graphics, was the fourth member of the party.

Lions thank you

For 31 years the Lions Fiesta has been one of the most popular events of the Galiano summer. Many long hours of hard work contribute to the success of the Fiesta, not only on the day but also in much preparation beforehand and clean-up afterwards.

A Lions spokesman has observed that without the willing help from a dedicated and apparently tireless band of non-Lions it would be very difficult for the Lions to attempt the Fiesta on their own. These volunteers contribute considerably to the financial success of the Fiesta and therefore to the Crippled Children's Fund and other worthy causes to which the Lions allocate funds.

Incidentally the Lion's gold ounce was won by Janet Marshall.

Fishing derby

The Rod and Gun Club's Galiano Fishing Derby results are as follows: Salmon: Montague Marina prize, D. Oswald, 21 lbs., 8 oz. Bill Nevill prize, Brad Giles, 20 lbs. Hidden weight prize, Doreen Stanton, 13 lbs.

Cod: Co-ordinated Building Systems prize, G. Nicholson, 13 lbs. Harvey's Sporting Goods prize, Cheryl Stanton, 8 lbs., 12 oz. Hidden Weight, Ronnie Sharp, 3 lbs.

Dogfish: Bastion Distributor's prize, Jason Dowie, 6 lbs. Hidden weight, S. Dowie.

The draw prize for the Las Vegas trip for two was won by R. Townsend of Vancouver. A series of draw consolation prizes were donated by local merchants. Thanks are due to Rick and Shirley Coulter for the use of the Marina at Montague for their aid in making the derby a success and to a large band of helpers who also assisted.

Coming events

At the Thrift Shop on Burrill Road, open each Friday and Saturday between 10 am and noon, a vast end-of-summer sale is in progress. Buy a blouse, shirt, skirt or slacks for a dollar and then get a second one free.

South-end gardeners unable to take their contributions to the Galiano Harvest and Flower Show to the north end next Friday between 5 and 8 pm may phone Barbara Scoones, Martha Ann Kelly, Jessie Bellhouse or Frank Reader to arrange transportation. The show is open from noon to 4 pm on Saturday, Sept. 1, in the North Galiano Community Hall. There will be an accompanying bake sale

and contributions for this are requested.

Jim McAlonan of Coastal Missions, Chemainus and Victoria

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Saturna parents to get refund from school board

The trustees of the Gulf Islands School Board will be refunding \$2,671 which parents of high school students from Saturna who boarded in homes on Salt Spring paid as their share of boarding fees.

Several Saturna parents were taken to court by the school board because they had refused to pay a share of the boarding fees. The judge, however, agreed with the parents who claimed that previous motions of the school board, which exempted them from paying the fee, were still valid.

At a meeting of the school board last week, the trustees rescinded the

previous motions and agreed to refund the money to those parents who had paid.

Those parents who had paid had done so in good faith, the meeting was told, and they should be treated the same as those parents who did not pay.

The board recently passed a motion which changes the way that boarding fees are handled. The parents of students who must board on Salt Spring will be paid \$125 by the school board. The parents must then negotiate a boarding fee with the families on Salt Spring who offer their homes to students.

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'Look at the birdie!'

Not quite sure about the exotic bird on the shoulder of Kim O'Neill, young Will Akerman was nonetheless very interested in the

orange-fronted conure who goes everywhere with O'Neill. Attached by a bit of string to his leg, five-

month-old Gecko was at softball tournament in Fulford recently. At right is Will's mother, Barbara.

Islanders are artists for evening

Contributed

A concert of high quality and interest took place at the Pender Island Community Centre on August 13. Four islanders, Douglas Harker, Warren Moore, David Apivor and Nick Apivor, currently

studying music at the University of Victoria, were the artists.

The program opened with *Dizzy Fingers*, a rapid piece from the Ragtime era, for xylophone and piano. The Baroque period was represented by sonatas for recorders and piano, the work of Jean Baptiste Loeillet, and an Andante by J.S. Bach, which well displayed the interplay of alto and tenor recorders.

Interesting words were *Canonic*, a contemporary linking of Western rhythms and native African patterns on the hand-drums, and *Pulsation*, a solo work for percussion (tambourine and conga drums), both enthusiastically received by an audience of over 120. Music from Shakespeare's plays—seven short dances of the 16th century for recorders and piano—were introduced by Peter Adamson, who related each to the play where the dance is mentioned.

Bach's *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*, heard by many for the first time as a marimba solo with piano

accompaniment, was a beautiful rendering of well-known music, as were two Bach chorales, played on the marimba with four mallets.

The concert concluded with a contemporary Sonata for solo marimba, by Thomas Pitfield, in which Nick Apivor was able to display the beauty of the instrument and the complexity of mallet work to the full.

We hope that these talented artists will be able to give us another delightful musical evening some time in the future.

Active Pass salmon led derby

For one week the chinook caught in Active Pass near Helen Point on Mayne Island led the field of the Daiwa world salmon fishing championship.

The chinook weighed in at 55 pounds and was hooked by Gary Barber of Langley. But then Gerry Arkell of Nanaimo landed a 58-pounder at Telegraph Cove on Vancouver Island to take the lead.

The championship runs until September 17 with top prize in the chinook category being a trip to Hong Kong.

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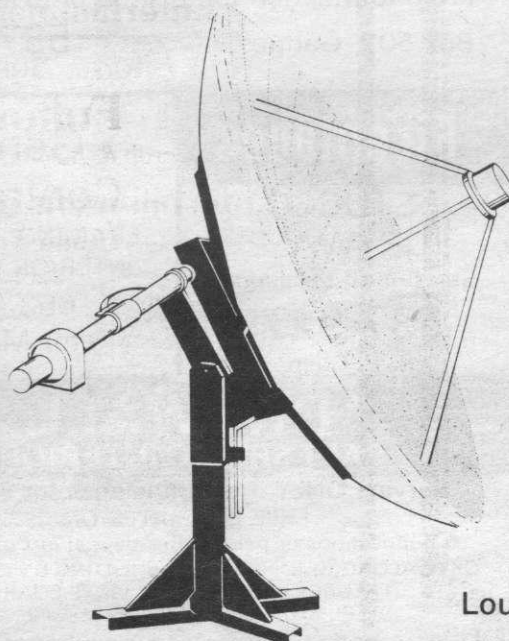
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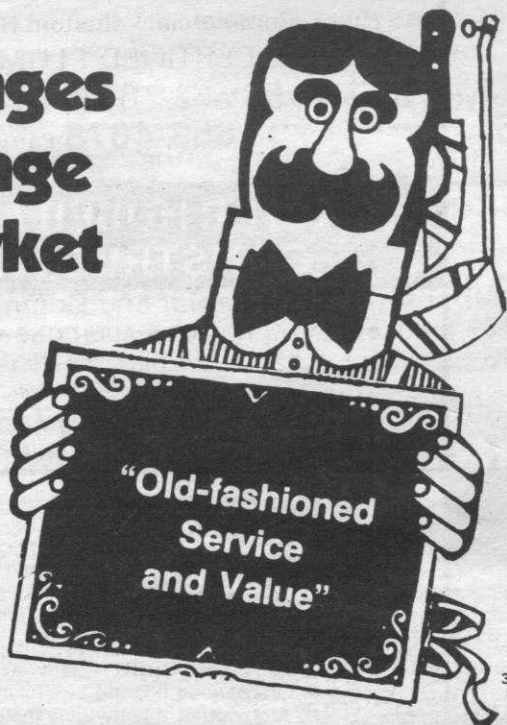
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Vesuvius busy

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Vesuvius Bay on Salt Spring was busy recently when the last ferry came across from Crofton. Pleasure craft tied up at the government float while two gate

vessels from Esquimalt, the *Porte Dauphine* and the *Porte Quebec*, sat at anchor just off the ferry slip. The *Vesuvius Queen* had to thread

carefully because the water taxi, *Ganges Hawk*, was tied up to a buoy just out of the picture to the right.

'It was a delight'

Contributed
BY BEVIS WALTERS

Joan Raeside's musical play *Caterer to the King*, written especially for children, was presented at the Ganges activity centre last weekend—and was a delight.

It was everything a play for children should be and had the power to transport the entire audience into the realm of make-believe within a few seconds of the raising of the curtain.

The costumes were bright and well designed, while the forest setting by Adrian Raeside made it easy to believe that everything took place within the rustic setting where fairies and elves gather to play.

The cast consisted of local boys and girls, assisted by several grown-ups, all of whom gave flawless performances. Melanie Fewings as "Fish" and Gwyneth Gardam as "Snail" had difficult roles to play and did them well. "Fish" did the entire show lying on her stomach but made a good showing nevertheless and "Snail" made it easy to forget she was a little girl.

"Cat" was Anna Maddison and her "Kitten" was Tami Funk and both acted in truly feline manner. "Beetle" (Christopher Davis), "Bird" (Christie Davis), "Grasshopper" (Amber Regen) and "Fairies" (Lianna Hingston and Natasha Eyles) were all beautifully costumed and performed like

seasoned actors. "Ladybug" (Alexi Maddison) and "Heralds" (Eva Van-Klugel and Anna Maddison) looked, and acted, like professionals.

Mrs. Raeside developed a unique way of transporting the audience from the world of reality to that of fantasy by having the "Spirit of Fairyland" (Dorothy Cummings) sing an introduction during which she gradually disappeared and the players appeared in her place—quite a charming way to take us from "Here to There".

Adult players were: "King of Fairyland" (Marcie Berner), "Queen of Fairyland" (Lois Phillips) and the "White Witch", Mrs. Witherspoon" was Margaret Howell. Each looked, acted, and really were for the time being, people from that charming nether world we all loved so much when we were small.

"Gerald the Elf" was played by Michael Maddison, and as the principal character carried her load lightly and easily.

Caterer to the King is the kind of play children should see. We all owe Joan Raeside a debt of gratitude for wafting us away from reality, even if it were only for the duration of this pleasant play.

Costumes were made and designed by Susanne Madison and Kelly Davis was wardrobe mistress. Music was by Joan Raeside (piano) and Kirsten Maddison (violin).

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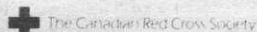
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Museum popular at Mayne Island

The Mayne Island museum is attracting many visitors this year. The display features articles of historic interest including a series of insulators assembled by Mark Luckner. The insulators date back to 1858. This year the British Columbia Heritage Trust supplied grant money to allow replacement of the

roof and painting of the building. Each day, Val Sommerville, Lisette Wilks and Patty DuHamel are on duty to guide visitors around and explain the artifacts. They bring a solid background of the history of the island to the job to explain the significance of the displays. The museum is located in the gaol on Fernhill Road just across from

the community hall. The gaol was originally built for the Gulf Islands police constable. While a visit to the museum is free of charge, Fred Dodds of the Agricultural Society encourages visitors to leave a donation. The museum organizers are seeking money to cover the costs of a much-needed expansion of the facilities.



Carver finishes eagle

The big bird looks down at Brien Foerster but he seems pleased. The eagle was carved by the Salt Spring artist for an appreciative fan of West Coast Indian art. The carving is 10 feet tall, weighs 1,400 lbs. and took

Foerster 200 hours, over four months, to carve. He is one of the few non-native carvers who is accepted by the native people for his work.

Driftwood photo by Bill Webster

4-H Club meets

BY LISA KOSKI

On August 10 the Salt Spring 4-H members had a gathering at Helfrichs'. We started with the shearing of our Fall Fair lambs by Matt Robley.

Following the shearing, Mr. Ted Baker did a demonstration on showmanship—how to show a sheep and how to handle it at the Fall Fair. Then all the children volunteered to practise showing a

sheep. Next Mr. Helfrich did a tanning demonstration. It was very interesting to see the various stages in tanning a sheep hide. The Akermans donated the hides to be tanned for demonstration and Mr. Helfrich is donating two finished hides for a raffle at the Fall Fair.

Our next meeting will be on September 8 at 1 pm at the Bakers' farm on Furness Rd. Hope to see you there.

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The shooters shot clay pigeons at the Salt Spring Rod and Gun Club over the weekend. From left, Ann Waters of Cowichan, Sharon Reynolds of Salt Spring, and John Bennett, also of Salt Spring, took

their turns at the line. Participants came to the event from Vancouver Island and the lower mainland.

Driftwood photo by Bill Webster

North Van couple win painting

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Sainsbury of North Vancouver won the Allan Edwards watercolour raffled by the local chapter of the Federation of Canadian Artists.

Dennis O'Conner of Salt Spring, who is related to the Sainsburys, explained that this young couple have been intent on beginning an art collection for their home, and that

this is the second time they have purchased tickets on an Edwards painting.

The draw for the seascape was held on the final day of the week long FCA exhibition and sale in Ganges which attracted a large number of exhibitors from Salt Spring and surrounding areas.

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Trophy shoot draws 60 to Salt Spring

The Luau and Trophy Shoot held by the Salt Spring Rod and Gun Club attracted more than 60 participants to the Long Harbour Road property over the weekend.

Shooters came to Salt Spring to represent eight clubs from various parts of the province from Williams Lake to Victoria.

Bob Bridges of the Victoria Fish and Game Club took the high-gun award and Mike Patinaude of the same club was runner-up.

Joy McLeod, of Nanaimo, was the top lady shooter. Runner-up in

the ladies' section was Sharon Reynolds of Salt Spring.

The junior title was taken by Paul Reynolds.

The competitors shot for prizes Saturday and Sunday afternoons. The action on Sunday morning centred on the Luau Trophy.

And the luau happened Saturday evening. Pork, beef and chicken were put in the fire pit with vegetables and when everything was cooked the dinner was enjoyed by more than 100 people.

The event is an annual occurrence at the Salt Spring range.

Blood clinics in Victoria

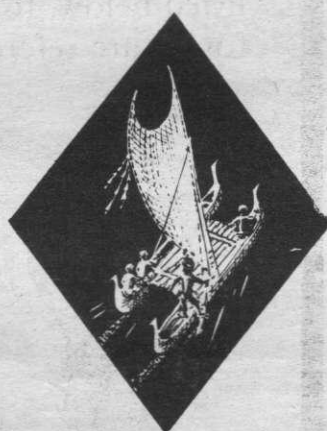
There will be no blood donor clinic on Salt Spring this year but several clinics have been set up in Victoria.

On September 4 and 5, a clinic will be located at Red Cross House at 1046 Fort Street. On the first day the hours are from 2:30 pm to 8 pm. The second day the clinic will be

open from 2 pm until 8 pm.

On September 6, a clinic is set for the Oak Bay Recreation Centre at 1975 Bee Street from 2 pm to 8 pm.

The following day, September 7, a clinic will be held at CFB Esquimalt at the old P.O.'s mess on Admiral Road. The hours for that clinic are from 9:30 am until 3 pm.



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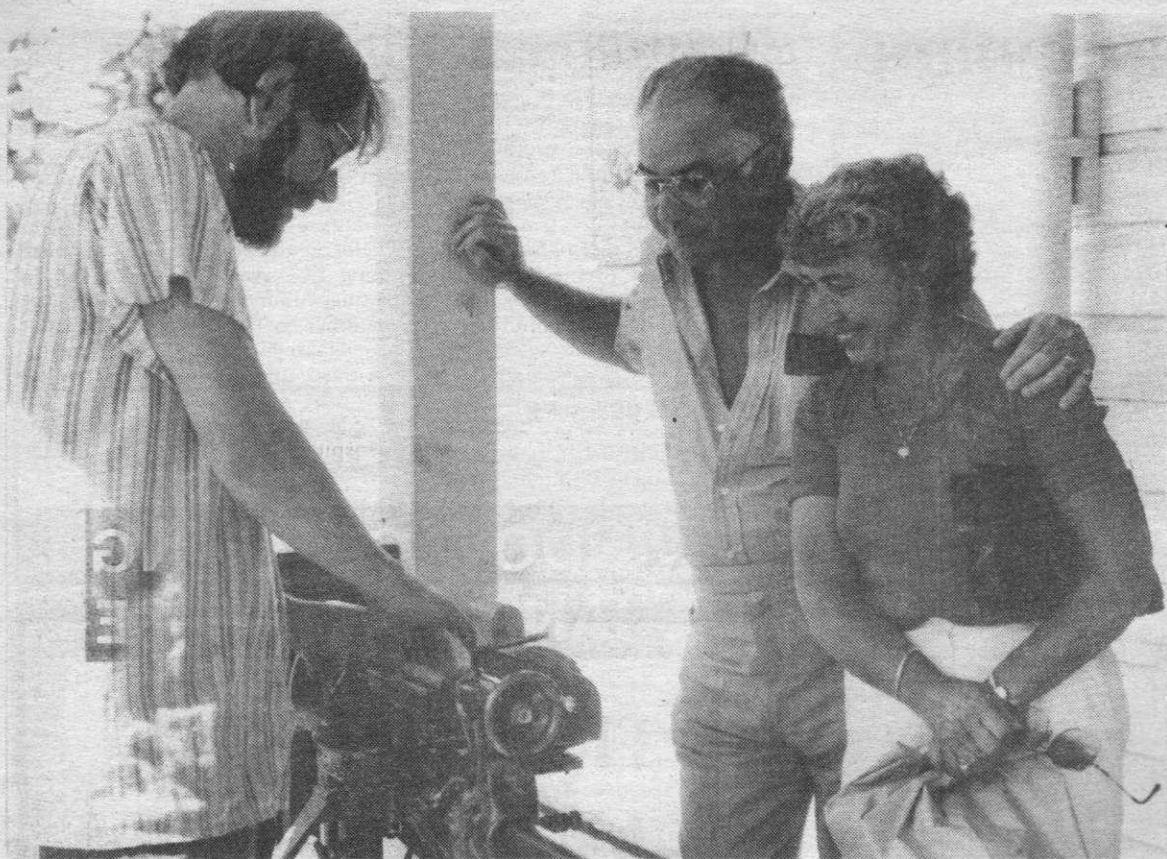
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Arctcraft 84 has added a new feature to its show this year. Demonstration day is held at Mahon hall every Sunday and on one recent Sunday Illyd Perkins could be seen on the porch of the community hall demonstrating woodturning. Perkins was working

on a spinning wheel as Phyllis and Harvie Malcolm of Cove Cliff, North Vancouver, came by to talk with him about his craft.

Draw on Labour Day

Arctcraft 84 is doing as well as in past years as the show and sale of arts and crafts continues to draw large crowds to Mahon Hall at Ganges. So far this year visitors have come from every continent except Antarctica.

The show, sponsored by the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council,

raises money for the community through grants to local art-related groups and renovations to Mahon Hall.

This year a raffle is being held to raise funds to replace some of the hall's windows. Tickets are \$1 and there are seven prizes of original work by local artisans. The prizes

can be viewed at Arctcraft and tickets are available at the desk.

Draw will be held Labour Day.

New field at Galiano

The septic field at the Galiano School is to be replaced and the new field will cost up to \$30,000.

However, the ministry of education will only approve funding for a system sufficient to handle the septic waste from the school. That means the use of washrooms by people using the activity centre will have to be restricted.

If the activity centre group comes

up with sufficient funding on its own, the field could be enlarged to handle the excess waste.

Frank Sutherland, supervisor of works for the school district, reported to the school board last week that the system to be installed will handle the school waste and could be added to when other funding materializes.

Work on the project is expected to begin this week.

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