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## Fish plant challenges orders to treat water

The owner of a Ganges fish-processing plant says he will close his operation later this week, rather than comply with a federal order to install a water chlorination system.

Closure of the Salt Spring Sea Products Ltd. Plant on Rossow Road would affect between 15 and 20 employees.

The order to install a chlorination system was issued last month by the federal department of fisheries and oceans, after a test of the water used at the plant turned up higher-than-acceptable levels of coliforms.

Although later tests by federal fisheries and the Capital Regional District (CRD) found the water acceptable, fisheries said the order was necessary to ensure water quality was consistent and to guard against possible product contamination.

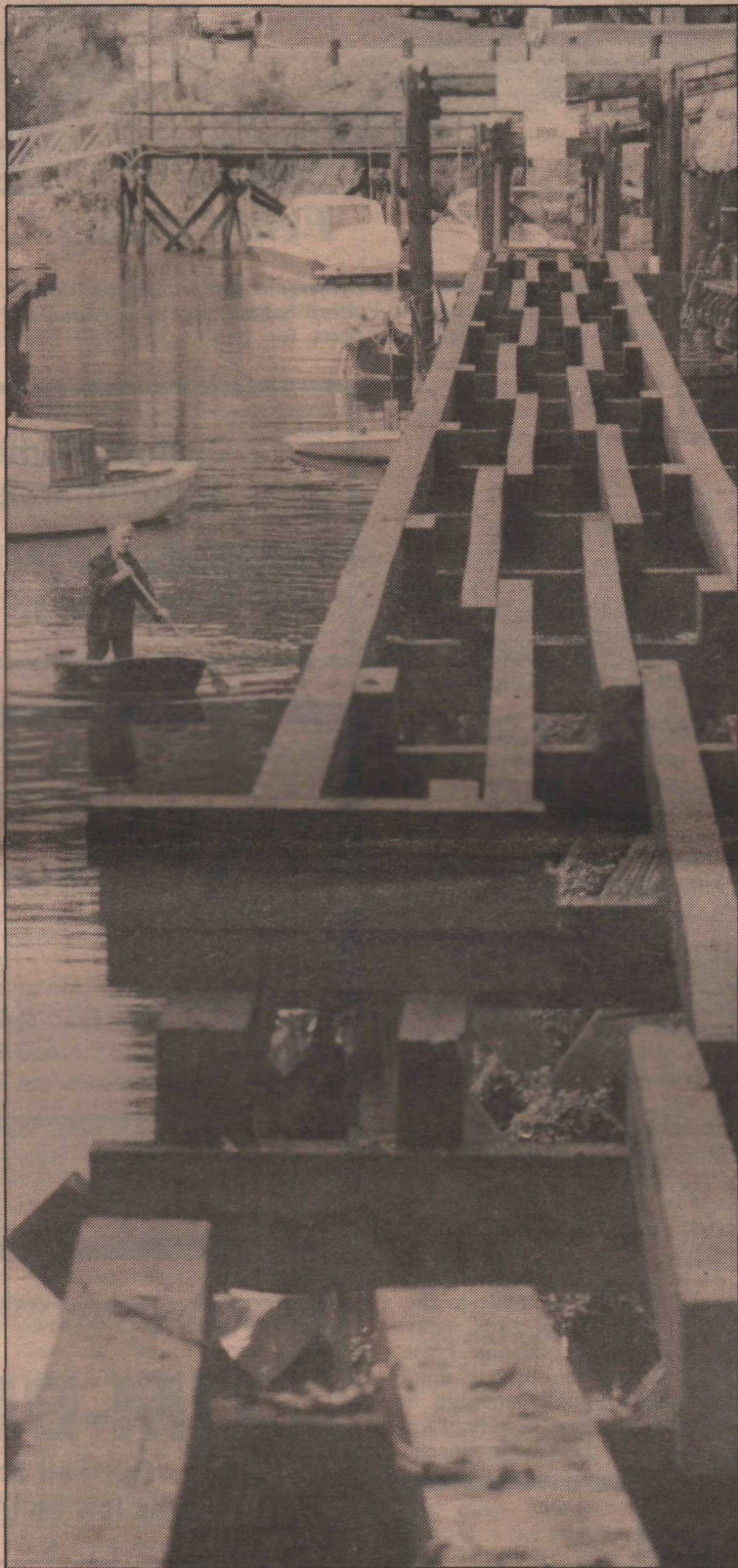
The water, piped to the plant from Maxwell Lake, is untreated and, according to fisheries officials, plant operator John Christianson, subject to fluctuations in coliform levels.

Christianson has agreed with the position taken by federal fisheries but says he does not believe he should be held responsible for the quality of the water piped to his plant. If there is a problem with the water, he said, the onus for a solution lies with the North Salt Spring Water Works District, which pipes the water.

Dr. Hugh Borsman, Salt Spring's representative to the CRD, sided with Christianson and recently launched discussions between the CRD health department and federal fisheries, in hopes the chlorination system order could be held in abeyance while another solution was attempted.

However, John Pynn of the federal fisheries inspection branch in Victoria said Friday that discussions collapsed when his

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## All ashore

Boater tied up at federal government wharf in Fulford Harbour paddles dinghy towards shore, passing by work underway to replace walkway to floats. Repair project will cost \$47,000 to complete.

## Compensation package rights war-era wrong

Members of the Murakami family on Salt Spring Island, who spent several years in internment camps during the Second World War, expressed mixed feelings when the government apologized to Japanese-Canadians Thursday.

"We're happy because now we know a chapter of our lives is partially closed," said Mary Murakami Kitagawa. The family is "sad and angry," however, that Kitagawa's father, Katsuyori

Murakami, did not live to hear that apology. He died March 16 of this year — still labelled as an enemy alien.

Kitagawa said the family was initially happy when the government apologized for the unjust internment of 22,000 Japanese-Canadians during the Second World War and announced a compensation package that will pay a tax-free lump sum of \$21,000 to each survivor.

"At last," Kitagawa said, "it has been recognized that we went through that hell."

The Murakami family of seven was branded enemy alien in April, 1942. They were taken from their hand-cleared Salt Spring Island farm and herded from one location to another, living in half-finished shacks, box-cars and tents for the next seven years.

Kitagawa said the govern-

## MB makes further cut plan reductions

MacMillan-Bloedel and residents of Galiano Island have reached agreement on a plan reducing the amount of forest land to be harvested by the company.

At a three-hour meeting held last Friday between MB and island representatives, including members of Clear Cut Alternatives (CCA), the company agreed it will harvest no more than 130.9 acres in the coming fiscal year.

MB also agreed to drop from its current cutting plan three areas of the island CCA felt were environmentally important, and to consult with the community when work proceeds on cutting two areas lying near the Bodega Trail, on the east side of Bodega Ridge.

Last Friday's decision was reached two weeks after MB had cited community concerns and scaled down its original 1988-89 logging plan for Galiano.

Prior to last Friday's meeting, MB distributed a paper saying the company is willing to participate in a land-use study for Galiano Island, and would substantially reduce the scope of their activity on the island in a progressive, orderly manner covering the next three or four years.

MB owns over 50 per cent of Galiano Island and has logged portions of its lands there since the 1950s. The company's activities have since caused concern among residents, who recently pushed to be consulted when logging plans are being drawn up.

Last Friday's meeting on Galiano opened with a call by CCA's Gary Moore for a halt to all cutting while alternatives are explored. The proposal was adopted by the audience, but Bill Cafferata later said his company has already ruled out a moratorium on logging.

When Cafferata asked the audience how many acres islanders would have the company log, Geoff Gaylor suggested a 150-acre limit. Cafferata said his company could accept that, prompting Gary Moore to suggest zero acres.

Following a break that saw Cafferata confer with Jack Lavis, another MB representative, MB proposed deleting three cutting sites from its 1988-89 plan, and consulting with islanders over cutting on the Bodega sites. That plan, Lavis said, would reduce the company's cut to about 130 acres — 'not 115, but not 150 or 160.'

The proposal was accepted by the audience, by a vote of 37-2.

"The day of the autocrat is over," Cafferata said following the meeting. "We are in business to make money but we also want and need to work with the community."

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government's apology. "I'm so angry because grandpa wasn't here to experience it," one said.

Ironically, Katsuyori is remembered by his family for his patriotism to this country. When the Japanese were finally allowed to apply for Canadian citizenship in 1949, Katsuyori was one of the first to line up. "I've never seen such a happy face," Kitagawa said "He was up early and

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# Charges dropped against 'Grannies'

Charges of trespassing on Department of National Defence property have been dropped against five Raging Grannies, including Virginia Newman of Salt Spring Island.

Newman said Monday she was disappointed by news that the charges, laid following a demonstration at the Maritime Testing Range at Nanoose Bay, would not be heard in court.

"We had hoped to be in court, and to risk going to jail, in order to make a statement" about the weapons testing range. "We'll have to think of something else to publicize our protest against the death industry."

The five Raging Grannies were arrested August 23 after sailing into Nanoose Bay aboard the

Greenpeace vessel *Vega* and climbing onto the dock at Winchelsea Island as part of a peace demonstration.

The island, which houses the main computer complex and tracking system for the Nanoose weapons test range, is off-limits to the public.

The five grannies and one member of the Nanoose Conversion Campaign (NNC) were charged under the Defence Act with trespassing on Department of National Defence property.

Just after the arrest, Newman told *Driftwood* the Grannies intended to turn the court appearance into an "event," with Grannies from at least five other Vancouver Island and area groups set to visit Parksville at that time.



**Fence setting**

Steve Weatherby (left) and Shilo Zylbergold sort material for new outfield fence for Fulford ballpark. Sunday work party installed new posts for two-diamond design; another session will be needed to put up plywood and complete \$2,000 project.

# Wharf classed as derelict; no decision, funds for fix-up

Uncertainty surrounds questions about the fate of a federal wharf on Salt Spring's southwest coast.

The dock at Musgrave Landing is officially considered derelict, according to John McNally, regional director of the small craft harbours branch of the federal department of fisheries and oceans.

While the dock still contains a float able to accommodate ves-

sels, a walkway to the structure connecting it to land has been disconnected. The move was made after an inspection of the facility declared it to be structurally unsound.

In a telephone interview from his Vancouver office, McNally said dock access from or to the land was disconnected as a safety measure.

The regional director explained that although the dock is definite-

ly in need of repairs, no decision has been made on whether to upgrade or abandon the facility, and no funds have been requested for the work.

McNally indicated a number of other west coast docks under his department's jurisdiction are in need of repairs, but it is not known which ones will receive priority for upgrading.

The Musgrave wharf, which lies in a small bay at the south end of Sansum Narrows, is a traditional tie-up point for recreational boaters. In 1985, anchoring space in the bay was reduced by a foreshore lease granted to developers of the Musgrave Landing subdivision. Included in the project was a private wharf since built next to the federal dock.

Few homes have been erected in the subdivision, and the private wharf is partially completed and posted as off limits to casual boaters.

At the time the request for a foreshore lease was made to the provincial ministry of lands, parks and housing, the Islands Trust protested that the private dock would displace public moorage. It asked that the lease be issued for 50 per cent of the area proposed.

# Shellfish gathering closed by 'red tide'

Increased levels of paralytic shellfish poisoning (PSP) organisms have prompted the federal fisheries department to close shellfish harvesting in the region.

The area affected covers Ganges Harbour, Long Harbour and Captain's Passage, at the mouth of Ganges Harbour.

Restricted as of September 14 and until further notice is the commercial, recreational and Native harvesting of all bivalve molluscs by any method.

The closure is expected to be brief. John Pynn of federal fisheries' inspection branch said last week he believes the area will be re-opened quickly, possibly by mid-October.

The closure was ordered after a monitoring station recorded a pronounced jump in PSP levels. "At this time of the year, it's not unusual to see a sudden peak, and it usually comes down just as quickly," Pynn said.

"It's a mild bloom," he added, noting that PSP traces would be found much more quickly in mussels, scallops and oysters, and not so quickly in clams.

Pynn also said samples of commercial shellfish harvested in nearby areas — i.e., Mayne and Saturna islands — were negative when tested for PSP.

Samples from the closed area are tested once a week.

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**to be frank**

by richards



**Gee! That was a long time ago!**

Josh Bryant was on the island recently on holiday from California. Among other pleasures, he enjoyed reading *Driftwood*. It was purely by chance that the current issue made reference, in the column, *Down The Years*, to the time when Josh took part in the presentation of *Sea Marks*, here, with Margot Kidder. He couldn't believe that it is 10 years since he was here playing in that presentation.

**All in the family**

I had a son-in-law with a sore back. So he babied it a bit. Starting out to work in the morning he lifted his boots and shuddered. The very weight would tear his aching muscles! So he had a brainwave. Instead of heavy boots, he would wear a pair of light running shoes and take some of the weight off his feet. Off to work he went, with a spring in his step and a crick in his back. All went like a charm until he stepped on a nail. "Look Mom, no boots!" The nail was painful and left him with a sore foot. He had been limping from a sore back. Now he was limping in a double-take as sore foot and sore back all helped. But that was not to be the end. He babied his feet and he babied his back. Next thing he knew he'd twisted his ankle trying to ease the weight on his well-nailed hoof. It's so unfair to see a funny side to all this. I admit it. But the fact remains that if you see a fellow limping around Ganges he's likely suffering from a sore back. If you see a fellow limping two ways at the same time, he's possibly suffering from a sore back and a sore foot. However, if you see a guy limping in three directions, with his boots under his arm, it sure sounds like Ken Byron to me!

**It's all over now!**

Or is it really finished? During the summer I was happy to entertain a vast group of shivering females as the Salty Sweat'rs swam in my pool. My role was passive; they did all the work. Except when it came to clearing up. I was the picker-up of overlooked trifles. I recall writing on one occasion that I had found various items, including a cream-coloured watch. It's back again. And I can't remember who claimed it last time. Anyway, as long as it's the same claimant this time, the watch is at the *Driftwood* office.

**A page from the past**

It was another page from the past. The Vancouver *Sun* announced, on its front page of March 25, 1954, that Vancouver property owners were to face a three-mill boost in taxes from the previous year's 58 mills in order to meet the record \$42 million budget. An increase of 10 per cent had already been implemented that year in assessments. Coupled with the mill rate hike it would represent an average home-owner contribution of \$27. Sunday milk deliveries were a thing of the past and on April 4 the practice of distributing milk would end forever. In Britain the perils of hydrogen bomb explosions in the Pacific had resulted in a demand in Parliament for an end to such experiments by the United States. While the report explained that the protests were predominantly from Labour members, a number of Conservatives had also "asked questions along these lines." The old paper was two pages, One and Two. The rest of the publication was lost in the house wherein the paper had lain for 34 years. Premier WAC Bennett had promised the extension of the PGE into North Vancouver. Trains would be rolling between North Vancouver and Squamish by 1956, he confidently forecast. The Hon. Ralph Campney was to speak "From Parliament Hill Tonight" over CKNW and if he needed a vacation, cars were available for driving from Oshawa to Vancouver for delivery to western dealers.

**Papers used**

Community newspapers were under discussion Monday when a group of local elementary-level teachers participated in a seminar at Ganges. Sponsored by *Driftwood*, the seminar introduced the teachers to a program called *Newspapers in Education*, a course designed for students in Grades Four to Six. The course was written by retired Ontario elementary school principal Peter Millar on behalf of the Ontario Community Newspapers Association. *Newspapers in Education* takes the students through their community newspaper, showing them how to use it and learn about their community.

**Family offered payment**

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dressed in a freshly pressed suit... it was the most important thing in his life." In Ottawa, Prime Minister Mulroney said "no amount of money can right the wrong, undo the harm and heal the wounds," of close to 14,000 Japanese-Canadians living today who experienced the internment camps. The saddest part, Kitagawa said, is that so many had to die with the memory of being declared enemy aliens in their own land. Meanwhile, a tree in honour of the Murakami family and its contributions to Salt Spring appeared — mysteriously — last week in Centennial Park in Ganges. An anonymous telephone call to local realtor Arvid Chalmers noted the arrival of the tree shortly after a letter to *Driftwood* pointed out that the Murakamis were never represented in a tree-planting program on behalf of pioneer families.

**Plant facing closure over water order**

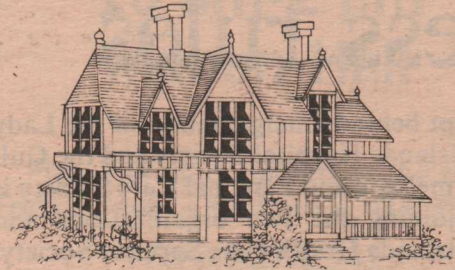
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office was unable to obtain assurances of eventual chlorination of the water supply system. "We couldn't get it together," Pynn said. "We didn't know when we would see treatment, and we couldn't get a commitment on when it would be put in place for Maxwell Lake." Pynn said the department could not ignore its regulations under those conditions. He also said he feels that chlorination of the Maxwell Lake system will eventually take place — a feeling shared by Christianson, who adds that he should not be expected to pay \$2,000 to \$3,000 now for a in-house treatment system that would be redundant if and when the entire system is chlorinated. Earlier this week, Christianson outlined his concerns in a letter sent to Tom Siddon, the federal minister of fisheries. In the letter, the plant operator says he is caught in the middle in the issue, and that all levels of government should work together to resolve the problem.

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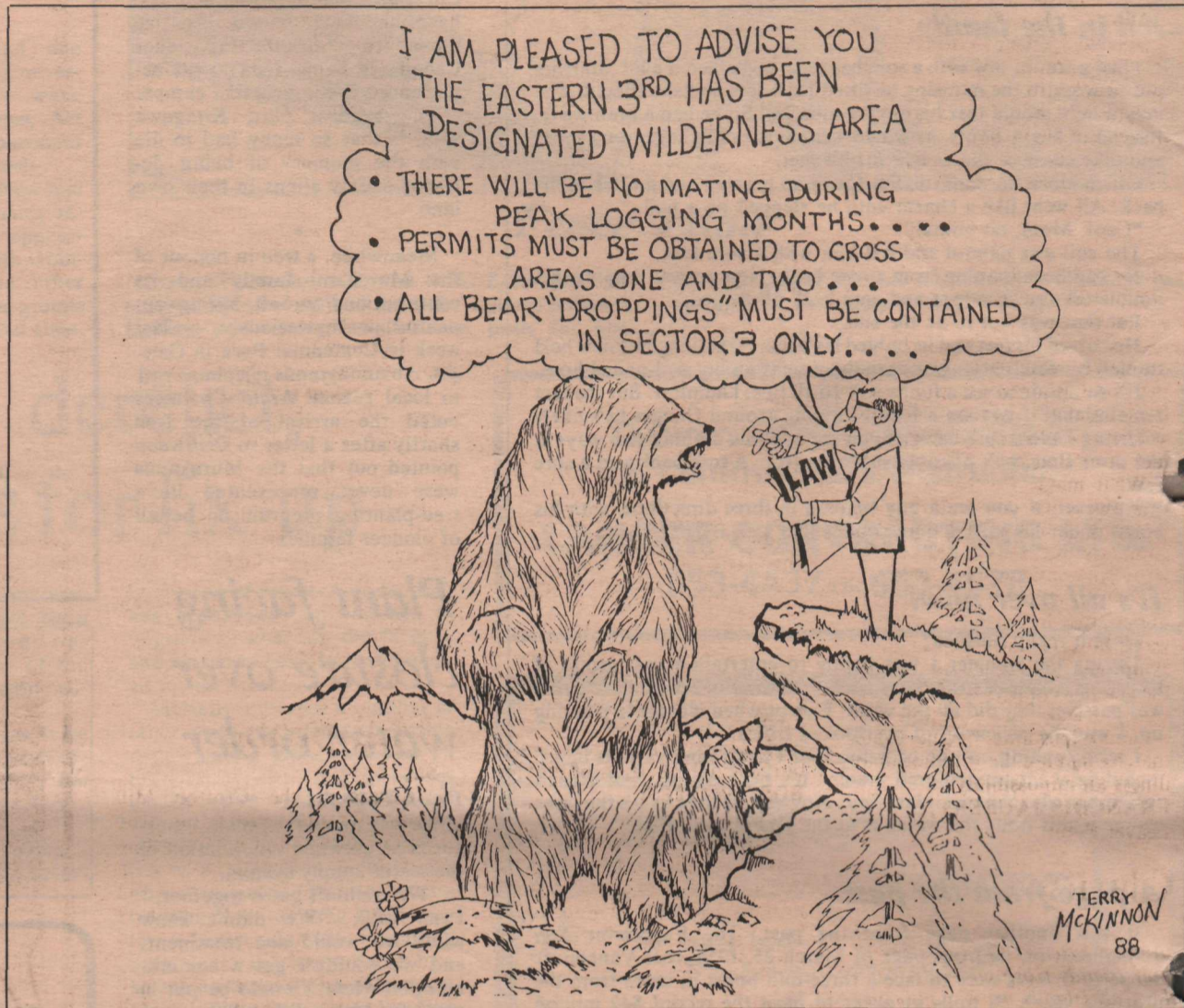
The concept behind amalgamation of the Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital Society and the Gulf Islands Intermediate and Personal Care Society is sound. By joining the two organizations and creating the Islands Health Care Services Society, advocates of the plan hope to form an umbrella group that will eventually be responsible for all health care needs on Salt Spring and the Outer Gulf Islands.

Consolidation of all services and budget responsibilities in the hands of one body, while practical from an administrative point of view, has naturally raised some questions about how the global society would function, and how its member groups would fit into the overall scheme. To their credit, backers of the concept have addressed those concerns by instituting a four-month moratorium to give everyone a chance to read and understand the wealth of material prepared on the proposed merger.

In perusing the pages setting out the bylaws of the new society, we find only one quibble. The section on disclosure specifies that books and records of the society shall be open to the inspection of the members of the society, while excluding the minutes of all meetings of the board, any mention of the medical condition of a patient, and staff matters which may arise.

We can agree with the need for confidentiality on the latter two points, but have great difficulty accepting the desire to withhold minutes of the meetings of the board members. Our concern is that such a provision may, in the long run, work against the society.

To be successful, the society must win wide support, particularly from the host of smaller local organizations providing one or another of the



many limited services to those in need. To ease any doubts those groups might have about being swallowed by an umbrella organization and left in a lessened role, the Health Care Services Society must be seen to be completely open and above board in all of its dealings. Restrictions on full disclosure of society business, especially to member groups, may cause some hesitancy in offering support for the concept.

In the time that has been left to contemplate the implications and workings of the new society, its advocates should consider addressing the proposed bylaws regarding provision of records. Allowing full access to pertinent information would launch the society on a positive note, especially since it would ease any doubts smaller organizations might have about the roles they are to play.

## Reform Party given between-the-lines legitimacy?

One of the more interesting campaigns in the pending federal election is expected to be fought in the Alberta riding of Yellowhead, now held by External Affairs Minister Joe Clark. The main interest lies in the challenge to be mounted by Preston Manning, leader of the Reform Party of Canada, whose backers feel he has a chance to unseat the former prime minister.


In that light, I'm going to devote the rest of this week's piece to excerpts from a speech Clark delivered recently in Calgary. To me, the speech is notable not for the Tory point of view, but for the between-the-lines assault I detect on the Reform Party's pro-West platform.

See if you agree with me that the following treats the Reform Party as a serious challenge, at least in Clark's riding.

**my word**

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**by duncan macdonnell**



"Historically, as a region that fought like a minority, we have looked to national politics more to protect ourselves than to assert ourselves. I think that defensive era is over for western Canada and that we now have the opportunity to define this nation as we would like to see it.

"Our view will not always prevail. We would diminish this extraordinary country if one vision alone could define it. Indeed, our grievance as westerners has

been that we were left out of earlier definitions of Canada formed in Montreal and Toronto.

"The threat, as I see it, is that we will become so blinded by old grievances that we do not see, or do not seize, the opportunity to shape this country in our own image.

"For the last four years, Brian Mulroney's government has been steadily removing the obstacles to growth in the west. The National Energy Program is gone. So is the

discriminatory Petroleum and Gas Revenue Tax. So is the Foreign Investment Review Agency. Free Trade will remove the historic grievance of tariffs. The Freedom to Move legislation has ended historic discrimination in freight rates.

"While these accomplishments are not ends in themselves, they bring a special boost to western Canada because, after years of neglect, we had so many unusual obstacles to overcome.

"Circumstances provide an unusual opportunity now for western Canadians to put our stamp on what Canada becomes. Instead of fighting a rearguard action to defend our regional interests, we have the chance to exert real and enduring national leadership.

"This requires a political choice, a different attitude. Do we lift our horizons to the whole country,

and what it can become, or do we refine our old habit of regional grievance? Do we act as insiders trying to shape our national institutions, or do we act as outsiders, treating national goals as inherently hostile to our own.

"To me, the answer is clear. Now, when we have proven that national institutions can advance our energy, trade, constitutional and agricultural interests, we should focus our ingenuity and our leadership on shaping the whole country.

"If we want this nation to reflect more truly the experience and priorities of Western Canada, that is within our power. Earlier generations of western Canadians may not have had that choice of leadership. We do. We should make the most of it."

Over to you, Mr. Manning.

letters

Impossibility

Sir,  
The possibility that presently unknown plants may some day be used to contain, reduce or altogether eliminate cancer symptoms is a reasonable one considering our growing insights into the nature of plant pharmacology, but to imply (see September 14 *Driftwood*) that plants may eventually cure cancer is to ascribe to our vegetal companions a power that cannot possibly be theirs to give.

What plants and other medicinal agents can do is give us the appearance of healing by circumscribing, diminishing or erasing symptoms on a short or quasi-permanent basis, symptoms being effects of a cause, but they cannot address the level of cause since they are material agents.

Magic, whose central premise is that effects can change cause, is inherently incapable of restoring our mind's integrity because it is precisely by using pseudo-real means to determine, control and ultimately dominate reality that the mind lost its integrity in the first place, thereby making sickness an apparently inescapable fact of existence.

What magic can do is buy us time and temporarily alleviate our suffering, if only partially, until we come to our senses and realize what authentic healing is about and where to look for it. But let us not confuse increasingly inventive ways, however natural, to control symptoms and relieve pain with the genuine curative process whose sole purpose is to restore the essential harmony of the mind, thereby making the very notion of illness an impossibility.  
**FRANCOIS JAUBERT,**  
Beaver Point.

Clarify

Editor's note: The following is an open letter to the Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital Society and the Gulf Islands Intermediate and Personal Care Society, filed with this newspaper for publication.

The Salt Spring Island Community Society has followed with interest the proposed amalgamation of your two societies and the approval of the proposed merger with a 120-day consideration period at your recent meeting.

The Salt Spring Island Community Society, like yourselves, is concerned and involved with the social and mental well-being of our Gulf Islands community and feels that the services we offer — such as the Achievement Centre for the Mentally Handicapped, Food Bank, professional counselling and crisis counselling, alternative secondary education, youth worker, alcohol and drug programs, etc. — are complementary to those of your proposed society.

As such, we have discussed the desirability of appropriate communication links between ourselves and the proposed society. We believe there should be public discussion to look at the model under which improved communication might occur between all societies (agencies) offering health-related services in the Gulf Islands.

We believe there should be further discussion regarding the mandate of the proposed society vis a vis community services, and that the proposed future role of existing societies (agencies) in relation to the proposed society be

clarified including any financial implications.

We support improved communications between all existing societies (agencies) and the proposed health care society as equal partners.

**WALTER SWING,**  
Chairman,  
Community Society,  
Ganges.

Flip side

Sir,  
There can be no doubt that those who worked so hard in recent weeks to raise funds for cancer research should be commended for the efforts they have made.

What must be questioned is how a community can be so generous in its support of research and medical care, and yet allow the continuous degradation of our environment.

The dioxins emitted into our water and air by the Crofton mill are carcinogenic. These dioxins are the unnecessary by-products of an unnecessary bleaching process. They are present on the produce we grow and eat, and in the fish and shellfish of our waters. They are also present in the air we breathe and in all chlorine-bleached paper products, from tampons to coffee filters.

It is impossible for anyone to avoid ingesting these dangerous chemicals; once ingested, they accumulate in our fatty tissues and remain there as powerful mutagens. Unfortunately, one of the few ways dioxins can be excreted from human bodies is by adhering to fats present in mothers' milk. No amount of medical research can save us from our suicidal ingestion of dioxins.  
**BOB TWAITES,**  
Ganges.

P.S. I must add, as a frightening post script, that similar carcinogenic compounds can be produced in our own homes by the burning of any plastic, or plasticized garbage.

To heal

Sir,  
I recently attended yet another meeting here on Salt Spring, and I must admit there are signs of improvement. Imagine; no flared temper tantrums, although the emotional level ran at times to an eight.

Peter Pentz, hosted by the Sierra Club of Salt Spring, provided the setting for some light at the end of the environmental tunnel. He brought us along in a breezy atmosphere inviting one to think 'next step' action in various human-made conditions throughout the global nest. Blame for the mess was placed squarely on self-centred humans. It would have been interesting if Peter would have had a show of hands of all those in attendance who were blameless. Who me?

The room became still as a young man gave a first-hand description of the results of the rape and slaughter of the northern, minimally-populated areas of British Columbia. Apparently the devastation would make Hurricane Gilbert look like an ocean breeze.

I left at intermission with a struggling, nagging feeling that this living breathing, pulsating planet's health is in extremely grave condition. Will she make it through the night?

The answer rests squarely on me and on every other "me." The need is to put aside greed and profit as motivation for my thoughts and actions. Then there is room in consciousness for thoughts and actions that would begin to heal this dying planet. It in turn would reflect such health back to its caretakers. Guaranteed, or your misery back.

So thank you, Peter, for your personal commitment.  
**GARY LUNDY,**  
Ganges.

Mill probe


Sir,  
Regarding the Crofton Mill environmental situation, the North Cowichan protective group is holding a public meeting in Duncan at the Village Green Inn on October 3 at 7 pm. Speakers will include Renata Kiosa from Greenpeace.

A study of the impact of the mill on Vancouver Island and Salt Spring beaches which may be connected with mill operation since 1958 is also being done. Anyone wishing to include information please contact me, the Salt Spring Sierra Club representative, at 537-4168.  
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## capital comment

by hubert beyer



VICTORIA — It shouldn't have come as a surprise to any fair-minded person that B.C.'s public servants put their picket signs where their mouths were.

Ever since Bill Bennett introduced the restraint program, more to bolster his then-sagging popularity than to save us money, the public service had been taking it on the nose.

And while the rest of us have been digging ourselves out of the rubble of the recession, receiving fair if not substantial wage increases, public servants have been subject to a virtual wage freeze.

Any other group of workers would have little trouble convincing the public that it has been short-changed for some time and needs to catch up. Not public servants. They always have been and probably will continue to be the target for every frustrated redneck's scorn. In the old days they had whipping boys; now they got the public servants.

There was a time when public servants enjoyed virtual tenure in their jobs, but at a cost. Because of their iron-clad job security, public servants earned substantially less than their counterparts in the private sector.

Under the short NDP reign, public service salaries improved, but for the past six years, they have once again fallen behind private sector wages. Job security, however, has also gone down the tube. Today's optimistic public servant is one who believes he will still have a job tomorrow.

### Unable to fight parsimony

As part of his restraint program, Bill Bennett laid off about 10,000 people. That was close to one-quarter of the entire public service.

The BCGEU did little to prevent Bennett from gutting the public service. The union actually helped the government establish the guidelines, according to which 10,000 people lost their livelihood. Those who remained were a dispirited lot, grateful to still have jobs, and unable to fight their employer's parsimony.

Sooner or later, public servants were bound to draw the line. When they did, the public, true to its traditional bureaucrat-bashing form, came down hard on them. They considered the union's demand for a 25 per cent wage increase over two years outrageous.

Perhaps it was, but as in all contract negotiations, the opening position was not inflexible. Unfortunately, both sides became entrenched at one point, negotiations broke down, and the strike was on.

The settlement is neither outrageous nor particularly inflationary. Government employees will get a wage increase of 16 per cent over three years. If you deduct from that the rate of inflation, running at about four per cent a year, they hardly got a king's ransom.

Too bad it took a strike to achieve a settlement. But then, logic is often absent in contract negotiations, particularly when govern-

### Millions wasted on program

ments are involved. The temptation to use public servants as a political football is too great for politicians.

Governments love to cash in on the public's distrust of public servants. All of a sudden politicians who are normally very generous with our money posture as responsible guardians of the public purse, heaping scorn on those who have the nerve to want a decent return for their labour.

The Bennett government freely spent hundreds of millions on megaprojects, some of which were of dubious value, but put the screws to the public service.

The Vander Zalm government has wasted millions on its so-called regionalization program, but becomes righteously indignant when its employees want a decent wage increase.

Perhaps one shouldn't be surprised. After all, it was our esteemed premier who once said that public servants don't put in more than two honest days' work a week.

Given his low opinion of public servants, we should all be grateful that the premier's advisors managed to keep him out of the strike issue. One public comment from him could have prolonged the strike by weeks.

As it is, the strike lasted only for a few days and didn't cause too much inconvenience to the public. The government saved a little money and the union got a fair settlement.

## more letters

### Thank you

Sir,  
The Grad Class of 1988-89 would like to thank the people who helped us to make the dunk tank at this year's Fall Fair a success.

First, we would like to thank the dunkees from the community, G.I.S.S. staff, and the local RCMP: Brian Brack, Trevor Turner, Tony Richards, John Wellingham, Mr. Ablitt, Mr. Prosk, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Stacey, Mrs. Kraus, and Mike Hayes.

We would also like to thank the grads and other onlookers who volunteered to be dunkees: Tara Martin, Tamara Holmes, Charlie Hume, Chad Little, Teresa Sutherland, Mark Nordine, Jodie Harrison, Lisa Codd, Kirra Korrison, Malindi Curtis, Martin Wales, Albert Kaye and Finn Ronne.

Thank you also to the grads who came out to help, but didn't take a dip: Joanne Hargreaves, Heather Jones, Mike Lord, Tony Marshall and Colin Walde; and to the people who were not grads but helped out anyway: Paul Sampson, Lois Codd, Christine Carey, Alison Proctor and Justin Thompson.

Last, but not least, a special thank you to Merv Walde and Dale Codd for their time and effort in building the dunk tank.  
**1988-89 GRAD COUNCIL,**  
Ganges.

### Going

Sir,  
Over the past four years I have greatly enjoyed treating the people of Salt Spring Island. Family commitments in Victoria (we are having a baby) and work commitments have made it a lot harder to conduct two businesses (one in Victoria, and one in Ganges.)

On October 3, 1988, Dr. Nelson Robertson will be taking over for me. I feel he will be an asset to Salt Spring Island, as your chiropractor and friend.  
**DR. MICHAEL P. BUNA,**  
Ganges.

### Belted

Sir,  
In your sister paper, *The Island Times*, the South Galiano writers, the Bengers, last week mentioned that local Gulf Islands drivers have

been forgotten over the summer the regulation that all vehicles must be brought to a halt when the red lights on the school bus are flashing. However, they failed to note the bus driver's capacity, with the RCMP's help, through the courts to fine these careless drivers.

Reports reveal three to four times as many students are killed outside the bus while crossing the road as inside. However, we feel steps should be taken for more safety within the bus by having legislation passed to install seatbelts on all school buses. Anybody concerned about this issue please contact K.I.D.S. (kids insist and deserve seatbelts) at 539 3128 (eves.)

**SIMONNE LeBLANC,**  
Galiano.

### Cancel

Sir,  
The federal government annually gives a substantial amount of money back to the provinces for silviculture; apparently not a cent has been spent in B.C. After consulting with the Sierra Club of Western Canada we have sent the following statement to the new minister of forests, in Ottawa, Gerry St. Germaine, and Environment

"We propose that the federal government cancel all federal-provincial cost-sharing projects in forestry until the provincial government sets up legislation to hold the logging industry accountable for sustainable forestry" (in view of the consistent clearcut methods used by forestry companies to maximize profits without due regard to federal issues such as fisheries, health and Canadian tourism.)

We feel it is mandatory for you to exercise your powers to assist in ending clearcut devastation in B.C.  
**SUE HISCOCKS,**  
Sierra Club,  
Ganges.

### Caring

Sir,  
I would like to congratulate *Driftwood*, and especially Damaris Rumsby, for making this year's Terry Fox Run the most successful ever. Your promotion and ceaseless hard work have paid off in spades, for all of us.

Once again Salt Spring has proven itself to have one of the biggest, giving, collective hearts in the nation. Community, family and friends, joining together, not only to raise funds, but to keep the dream of one of the most unselfish heroes Canada has ever had the honour to know, alive.

For that joining together we are all the richer and I know that we will continue to grow in numbers until the dream is fulfilled.  
**ERIC, CINDY, NEACOL, JARROD AND TAYLOR BOOTH,**  
Ganges.

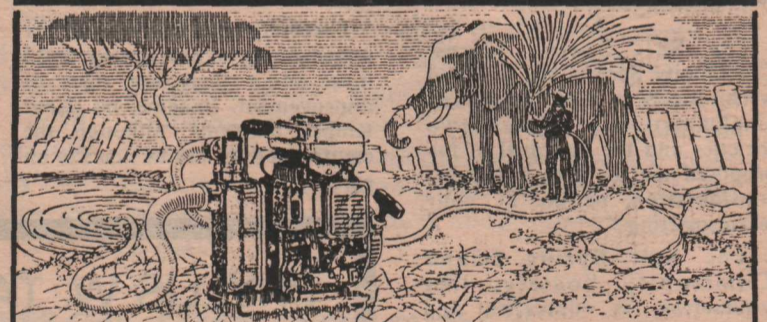
### Thank you

Sir,  
The Parks and Recreation Commission would like to publicly thank Sandi Geiger for the outstanding job she did this summer as our Island Program Director. Sandi's knowledge, organization skills and enthusiasm made all of her programs immensely popular with hundred of islanders. It is our hope that Sandi will return to Salt Spring upon graduation in 1989 and continue to build and expand the Activity Programs she has so ably established.

**PHIL HUME,**  
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## Clean water

The present debate about the possible chlorination of Maxwell Lake water needs our immediate attention. The history is as follows:

- For the past three years there have been regular tests done by the Capital Regional District (CRD) community health office. In that time, not once have they reported a single problem with the water quality to the North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD).

- In early August, at the fish plant of Salt Spring Island Sea Products Ltd., the federal department of fisheries and oceans (FDFO) performed its regular test for coliform counts above the standard and found that the coliform count was above two cc. per 100 ml.

(Coliform level is the level of contamination in water that is due to fish, wildlife, vegetation or people. In Canada the standard for potable water is less than 10 cc per 100 ml; however, the stringent FDFO standard is less than 2 cc.) They then issued an order for the fish plant to install a chlorination system to insure against possible high coliform counts in the future. Failure to do so by September 30 would result in the forced closing of the plant.

- The following week, both FDFO and the CRD tested the water again and found it to be back below the two cc level; however, FDFO was adamant in its order for the installation of the chlorination system.

- The NSSWD went on record and stated that if there was a health problem with the water, they would be required — and would be prepared — to install a chlorination system. However, at present there is absolutely no indication that there is even a remote risk to health from drinking Maxwell Lake water.

- CRD Director Dr. Borsman has stated that the health office is unlikely to order treatment of Maxwell Lake water unless it is shown to pose a risk to health. He also stated (in order, I presume, to put coliform levels in perspective), that untreated St. Mary Lake water, even after a hot summer of bathing, is often below the 10 cc Canadian standard.

That statement — coupled with the facts that Maxwell Lake is comparatively isolated, has few residences in the watershed and few — if no — bathers, led me to believe that the early August test by the FDFO must have been barely over the two cc level, and was the exception rather than the rule.

In order to confirm my suspicions, I contacted the NSSWD and have been told that 99 per cent of readings from Maxwell, in the last three years, have been 0 cc per 100 ml.

- John Christianson, the operator of the plant, feels that the NSSWD should be responsible for supply his plant with water that meets FDFO standards, rather than the Canadian standards. Citing economic hardship, he is currently refusing to install a chlorination system that is estimated to cost \$2,000 to \$3,000, and is evidently prepared to face

## more letters

closure this week with the belief that he has the right to demand NSSWD install a system that will chlorinate the entire Maxwell Lake water supply.

- There have been many studies that indicate a connection between chlorination and cancer; however, because of polluted water supplies, officials decide that the "minimal risk to public is outweighed by the need for drinkable water."

- Now, because of the recent Victoria water problem, the CRD community health committee is having a look at water standards in general and, evidently, is considering changing the standards. If they adopt a stricter standard it would probably mean chlorination of every public water system in the CRD including Maxwell Lake. Obviously, any water problems in the district that are presented to the CRD board will become more ammunition for changing the standards.

Summarizing, it seems to me that the health of the water supply I have been drinking from since I was born on this island, is not now, and, hopefully, with careful planning, never will be, in jeopardy of contamination. I regret that Mr. Christianson and the fish plant seem to have "fallen between the cracks," but it seems that the solution Dr. Borsman has offered us, of chlorinating the water "at the source (to) serve everyone's purpose," rings hollow. It certainly does not serve my purpose, nor that of my family.

Yes, Maxwell Lake is one of the few untreated water supplies left, but that is a fact that we, on the island, should be damned proud of. Yes, its quality should be protected at the source but please, let us do it by insuring that the water remains unpolluted through careful management of our most precious resource.

And, rather than offer only my opinions, I would like to offer a solution to the fish plant's problem. I regret that it is the only

concrete solution I have to the situation, however, I am truly afraid that this controversy is fast becoming material for a political football that smells of chlorine in my water. I have therefore opened a trust account (at Island Savings Credit Union, Account #9777-4) to help fund the fish plant's purchase of a chlorination system. I have named the fund "Chlorinate John's water, not ours" and have "put my money where my mouth is" by depositing \$100 to get the ball rolling.

I challenge John and his staff of 20 to match my donation, keep working, and solve "their problem" before it forces chlorination on the rest of the users of Maxwell Lake water (which include all the students at Salt Spring Elementary and Gulf Islands Senior Secondary) that are more than satisfied with the quality of the water.

Anyone wishing to make a donation may do so at the Credit Union. If this matter resolves itself in another fashion, I will submit all donations received to the Salt Spring Island Water Preservation Society.

Also, to be better safe than sorry, I have initiated a petition against the proposed chlorination. It will be submitted to the CRD and the NSSWD. I urge every resident to sign it to protect one of the few pure water supplies left.

Please, don't hesitate, or the next glassful of wonderfully cool, pleasant-tasting, fresh mountain water may be your, or your children's, last! Join my kids and say "Yuk!" to chlorination.

**ERIC BOOTH,**  
Ganges.

which may have unintentionally perpetuated the myth of disloyalty of some Japanese-Canadians in the Second World War. Yes, it was indeed "said" that some were spies. There were related rumours of such creative imagination and hysteria that it seems incredible now that they were believed. Would that facts spread as quickly and as far as rumours!

For the fact is that no Japanese-Canadian was ever even charged with disloyalty to Canada. So we cannot allow ourselves to squeeze behind that slim justification for what was done.

The crime against these Canadians resulted from a brew of fear, greed, racism, opportunism (and a good measure of disinformation), stirred with a crooked stick of paranoia.

**DORENE CUE,**  
Ganges.

## Thefts

Sir,  
Our family had a great time at the fair. We had a good time working hard to prepare our entries. The kids put their hearts into their projects and were looking forward to possibly winning ribbons, which they did.

On Sunday we went to the fair to pick up our wares, which the kids were looking forward to eating, especially the prize-winning bread. Unfortunately there was some unthinking, uncaring individual who thought he or she would help themselves to the bread. My daughter was very disappointed, to say the least.

I wonder if this individual has thought about what they have done and how it has made my

daughter feel. I wonder how they would feel if it happened to them.

By the way, this was not the only thing that was missing. Our pumpkin had completely disappeared and while we were looking, I overheard others looking for lost items nowhere to be found. Does this mean we have to have the fall fair policed? This goes against the meaning of the fall fair, as far as we are concerned. Not only that, the organizers of the fair have enough to think about.

I am thoroughly disgusted that there are people out there who would even consider taking what does not belong to them.

**J. McLAUGHLIN,**  
Fulford Harbour.

## Too little


Sir,  
The apology is forty years late and the monetary compensation is a pittance in proportion to the property lost and the suffering endured by Japanese-Canadians interned during the Second World War. At last, however, recognition of a grievous wrong and reaffirmation of basic human rights have been made — officially.

The apology came too late for Katsuyori Murakami, causing further sadness to his widow, Kimiko, and their children. It is not too late, however, to grant her one request — made so many years ago: to plant a Japanese cherry tree in Centennial Park as a memorial to other Japanese pioneers. This small gesture cannot compensate for past hardships suffered by the Murakami family. It may quietly say that many of us are genuinely sorry.

**KAY AND DAVID KOS,**  
Ganges.

## Paranoia

Sir,  
I write regarding the *Regrets* letter in last week's *Driftwood*,



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# Rehabilitation will teach eagle to fend for itself

A semi-tame eagle that made various public appearances on Salt Spring Island last week will be given the opportunity to learn how to be a real bird.

Local SPCA official Christine Wooldridge was able to capture the immature eagle as it sat on a picnic table outside Humpertinks By-the-Sea on Tuesday.

Wooldridge received numerous calls concerning the bird in the days prior to its capture. It

reportedly made its first appearance by walking among some Brownies in the Maracaibo area, and accepting food handouts. It was later spotted perched on rooftops or sitting on roadsides.

Wooldridge expressed concern for the welfare of the bird. Feeding an eagle handouts like hamburgers is the same as starving it, she said.

Eagles in captivity and in the wild consume entire animals. To

maintain the bone strength necessary for flying, Wooldridge says, eagles need to eat a large amount of calcium. Much of this nutrient is obtained by eating bones.

Wooldridge was also concerned the eagle might be destroyed unnecessarily should it conquer its hunger by going after chickens.

Wooldridge intended to request the public's help in capturing the bird so it could be taken to the

North Island Bird Recovery and Rehabilitation Centre near Nanaimo. The move is now unnecessary as the eagle has been caught.

The young eagle offered little resistance as Wooldridge and two spectators — Warren Langley and Larry Bresson — helped guide it into a cage.

Wooldridge said the eagle has obviously been hand-raised; however, none of the provincial Fish and Wildlife Branch officials she

contacted were aware of one being released. Because it is illegal to disrupt an eagle's nest and raise one in captivity, she says, it is unlikely anyone will admit to having raised the bird.

Wooldridge took the eagle off-island Tuesday afternoon. She said her first stop would be at a bird-specialist's office in Nanaimo, where the eagle's health would be determined through blood samples and general tests.



Ada Woodley was one of 22 Heart of Gold recipients to be honoured in ceremony last week.

## Heart of Gold campaign honours Salt Spring's 'good neighbours'

Twenty-two Salt Spring Island recipients of the Heart of Gold award were honoured in a ceremony held in Ganges last week.

A reception at the Harbour House Hotel on Thursday evening saw the presentation of award certificates and lapel pins to the local nominees in the national awards program. Co-sponsored by Air Canada and more than 600 Canadian community newspapers, the Heart of Gold awards recognize community service by volunteers in a wide range of fields.

More than 50 people attended Thursday's reception, including Saanich-The Islands MLA Terry Huberts, Islands Trust chairman Nick Gilbert, Barbara Jordan-Knox and Walter Swing from the Community Society, and Chamber of Commerce president Jack Cherry. The presentations were made by Driftwood Publishing

president Frank Richards.

In opening the ceremony, *Driftwood* publisher Tony Richards said the reception was designed to add a personal touch to the awards program. While it would have been fine to mail the certificates and pins to the nominees, he said, the presentation enabled *Driftwood*, as a co-sponsor, to personally say thank you to the recipients.

He observed that many of the Heart of Gold nominees worked hard behind the scenes, receiving little or no recognition for the contribution they made towards the betterment of the community. The awards gave the community an excellent opportunity to honour those residents.

Recipients were: Bob Akerman, Bob Appleton, Betty Ball, Susan Bradford, Pat Desbottes,

Lee Evans, Daniel Evanishen, Jim Fogarty, Julia Forbes, Marion Goodwin, Nan Jenks, Malcolm Legg, Margaret Morris, Lawrie Neish, Virginia Newman, Betty Pinchin, Sheila Reid, Tony Richards, Jean Rogers, Hank Schubarth, Jim Sinclair, Al Skinner, Mary Toynbee, Shirley Vida, Maria Watson, Ada Woodley and Glenn Woodley.

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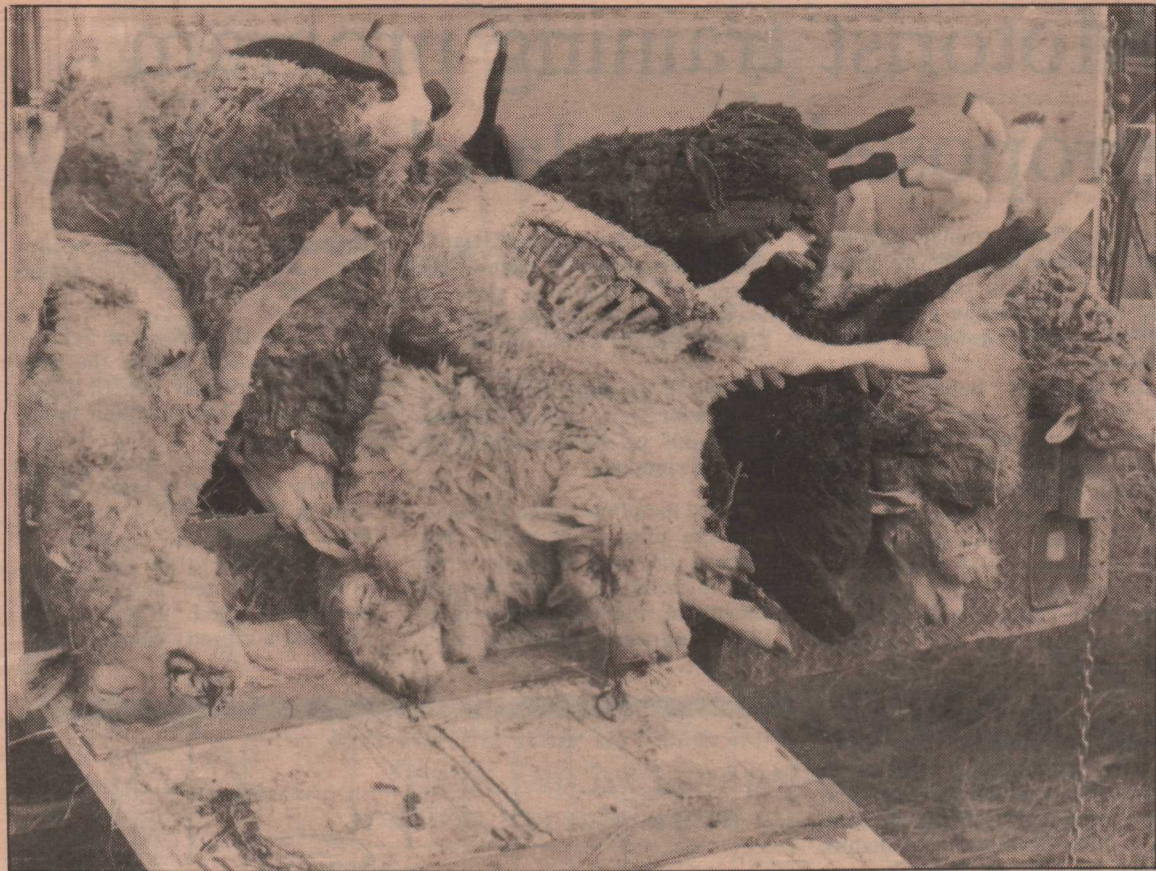
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Sheep carcasses rounded up last Thursday

At Ruckle farm

# Large dog held responsible for attacks on sheep flock

A large dog last week tore huge chunks from Gwen Ruckle's sheep flock.

The dog killed or wounded 15 sheep on the Ruckle farm at Beaver Point last Thursday, then returned Friday to claim two more animals from the flock. Several other sheep are missing.

In all, 13 sheep were killed and four were injured over the two days. The total includes four ewes.

Ruckle said the dog is a large one, with "tracks as big as my hand."

She added: "It's a real killer. It

doesn't pull the wool; it just kills the sheep."

Ruckle believes the dog may have gone wild and is remaining in the area.

Animal control officer Howard Byron has received no reports of large dogs abandoned or missing from their homes.

The dead sheep were found near the old Henry Ruckle farmhouse being restored on the property, while the tracks left by the dog were found on the nearby beach.

The dead ewes were valued at about \$80 each, while the lambs were worth about \$100 each.

Pat and Ted Akerman of Fulford collected the animal carcasses last Thursday and later helped Gwen Ruckle hunt for the dog. Last last week, Howard Byron also set out traps in hopes of catching the canine.

Last week's incidents marked the second time in the past year the Ruckle Farm flock has been attacked. Last December, two dogs killed several animals. Their owners later covered Gwen Ruckle's financial losses.

If no owner is found this time, Ruckle can apply to the Capital Regional District (CRD) for compensation.

## Crash causes injuries

Three people were taken to Lady Minto Hospital and treated for injuries following an accident on Vesuvius Bay Road.

Elizabeth Socher, 57, of Ganges was charged with driving too fast for road conditions, after her vehicle allegedly crossed the centre line and collided with an oncoming vehicle. The incident occurred at about 5 pm on September 23.

Driver of the second vehicle, 31-year-old Kevin Allen, also of Ganges, was taken to hospital along with a passenger in his vehicle, and Socher.

A estimated \$4,000 in damages was sustained by the two vehicles.

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**your garden**

by **chris schmah**



As we near the end of September, with shorter days, cooler weather and a smattering of rainfall, most of us turn our attention to more domestic chores. With autumn finally here, the fall gardening season arrives, and while it is a less hurried and frenzied period than the spring season, there is a lot to do out there in the garden.

The past two articles have been timely ramblings for the rundown of garden chores, and once we dispense with the last of them, we can get started on the interesting subject of bulbs.

This year, rust has not been too severe a problem on the snapdragons, but has devastated the hollyhocks and, interestingly, has attacked several native willow trees on our property, turning the foliage a rusty, unhealthy-looking rust brown. For the snaps with rust, spray the foliage with garden sulphur or, if you must, with Zineb as per recommended label rates and timings (please read the instructions carefully.)

For the purists, remove the infected foliage by picking, pruning or pulling out the whole plant, and then bury it or burn it so that no

**Rake up and burn foliage**

spores are released into the atmosphere to re-infect any other snaps. There is no real risk of infecting other plants as each rust is very specific to that plant species.

After the plants finish blooming late next month, prune the plants back hard to about six inches in height and apply a mulch around the crowns to ensure their survival through the winter, for a floral show next year. The same approaches hold for the hollyhocks, but for the willows there is little or nothing to do except rake up and burn the foliage when it falls.

Once your glads have finished blooming, and the foliage starts to turn brown, lift them and hang them in bunches (with variety labels attached) in a well-ventilated, dry location, so they can cure and dry for a few weeks. Later in the fall you can remove the dried foliage, soil and roots, and if you've had a problem with thrips over the past season, use a bulb dust, mothballs or naphthalene flakes to kill the thrips as they try to overwinter on your stored corms.

**Wait months for rewards**

This month you can still safely prune back stray, rank growth on your evergreens, summer-blooming heathers, lavender, santolina and boxwoods, but don't overdo it as you'll probably have to look at your clip-job for the next six to eight months. Tidying up is the object at this time. Refrain from pruning spring-blooming shrubs, as you will only be cutting off the wood which will be bearing next year's floral show.

You can still prune your climbing roses this month, by removing the short lateral shoots which bore blooms this year, and then tying the new 1988-grown canes over into a horizontal position to stimulate blooming laterals to form for next year.

With the September chores out of the way, the next item is the "fall" bulbs — actually a misnomer, for we merely plant them in fall, and then wait for several months for our rewards when the bulbs bloom in the spring months that follow. While they can be planted any time during the next few months, generally it should be the sooner the better. Bulbs that bloom during the winter or early spring must have enough time to root out well so that moisture and, later on, nutrients can be supplied to the growing plant.

# Motorist training program proposed for island youths

In an effort to combat a 75 per cent increase in traffic accidents on Salt Spring in the past year, the Rotary Club has pledged an annual \$4,000 towards driver training.

Speaking on behalf of the Rotary Club, RCMP Constable Trevor Turner told a recent school board meeting that many motor vehicle accidents over the past year have involved young people.

As a Rotary Club report indicates, the substantial increase in accidents on the island has coincided with noticeable incidents of poor driving habits and a general disregard of highway safety.

Turner told the school board meeting the Rotary Club-sponsored program would be directed at those just learning to drive. He said individuals who have been driving for some time have often developed bad habits which are difficult to break.

The Rotary Club approached six driving schools and received two responses, from which they selected a program suitable for Gulf Islands participants. The course, handled by Cowichan School of Motoring, offers six hours of defensive driving instruction, four 50-minute driving lessons on Salt Spring roads, and six 75-minute lessons in the Duncan area. Cost of the program is \$395 per student driver.

The Rotary Club does not intend to provide driver training free of charge, Turner said, but to bring it into an affordable range by subsidizing 20 students at 50 per cent of the total cost (\$200).

Because the driving school could handle between 25 and 30 students at a time and offer the course twice a year, the Rotary Club requested the school board contribute funds towards the program, making it available to a greater number of students.

Rotary Club directors also hope — with the approval of members — to approach other local community service clubs for financial assistance if the initial program proves successful.

According to high school principal John Wellingham, approxi-

mately 80 students at Gulf Islands Secondary turn 16 each year. Turner said statistics show at least 70 per cent of males obtain a driver's licence within the first six

months of turning 16. The same applies for 50 per cent of females. This adds up to a potential 48 driving students.

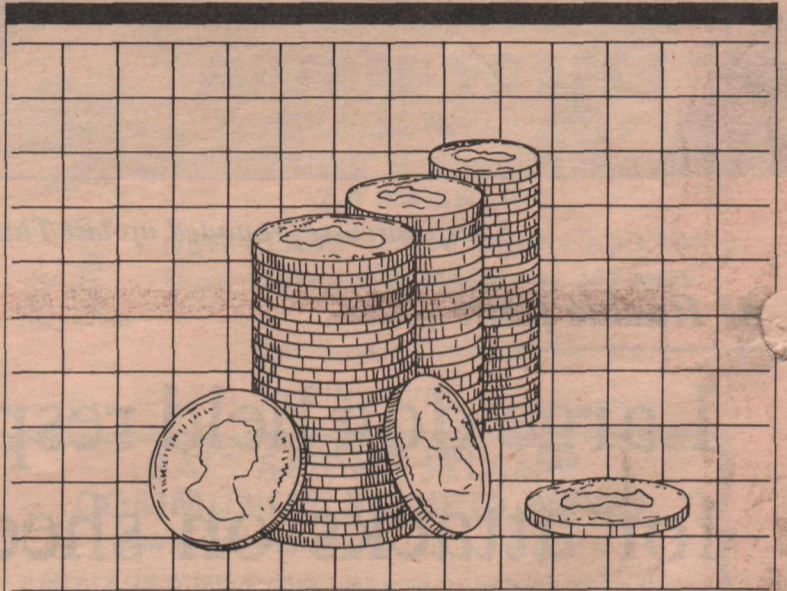
Board members agreed to support the idea in principle, but reached no firm decision other than to attempt to determine the amount of interest generated by the program. Trustees also

expressed a desire to make the program available to all Outer Island students as well.

As Superintendent of Schools Mike Marshall noted, the program will not only benefit actual participants, but also their fellow students.

"We will see a core group coming through the system who know how to drive," he said.

In reference to the cost of the program, trustee and Rotarian Burt Beitel noted: "If it saves one life, that's a pretty cheap price."



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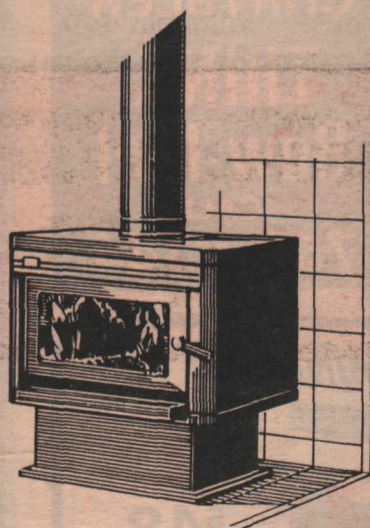
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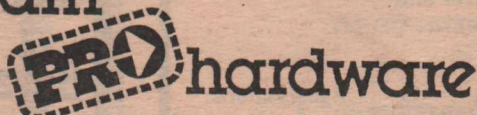
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by gary cherneff



Autumn has descended. I can tell, not by the moisture in the air of the shorter day with nibbling morning chill, but by a curious and, alas, transient condition of letting go; a deep personal sighing signalling the release of a busy tourist season.

Stress is temporarily lifted from the chest and in one wild weekend of excess, the meaning of relaxation re-enters my vocabulary. But don't forget, if you work hard you have to play hard.

Starting on Friday my partner and I, determined to touch bases with our cultural roots, made the dash to Victoria and by luck stumbled across "Bay Day". Bay Day is kind of like a "May Day" being answered. It's a subliminal wish-fulfillment after enforced consumer abstinence. All those sales are like water to a parched throat and even though our enthusiasm was tempered by the constraints of deficit financing, we nonetheless partook of some ritualistic spending. Some earrings for the soul and a bath robe and warm socks for the chilling winter.

Now, you really haven't experienced shopping malls until you've seen the David Byrne (Talking Heads) film, *True Stories*. The film is a caricature of real life in middle America, or middle Texas. to be

**Caricature of real life**

precise. But it would be easy to substitute West Edmonton Mall or Fantasy Gardens with negligible distortion. As David Byrne says, "It's so convenient."

To really appreciate this film one must have a copy of the book *True Stories*, which furnishes substantial portions of the script plus set and costume drawings by the author. It is a kind of workbook, a scrapbook which outlines the process by which a film is thought out. The photographs are primarily by the noted American practitioner of new colour photography, William Eggleston.

In the film the character Kay Culver as compere in a mall fashion show talks about shopping.

"Shopping is a feeling; it's a wobbly feeling. I have a commercial feeling. Be sexy in business, be successful at night ... Now look at this; now look over there; there is more than enough to go around. You're gliding through the days ... it's an action dream. You wish you were me, I wish I was you. Now don't you wake up, the dream will come true. Let go of your life, grab on to my hand. Here in the clouds, where we'll understand."

Okay! Snap out of it. Once we realized our intoxication, we left

**Cultural archives sampled**

the Bay and cruised down Johnson Street to sample the cultural archives of 50s and 60s modernism shops such as Still Life and Off White and contemporary Post Modern Kitsch Shops such as Zydeco.

I guess we eventually found a need to balance this cultural pig out with some serious stuff. As fortune would have it, the Victoria Fringe Festival was in full swing.

We made a 5:30 date with Samuel Beckett's play *End Game*, which definitely sobered up the day. An austere set and methodical and spare dialogue focused on the presumed survivors of some man made planetary disaster. Greed and alienation from the nurturing aspects of nature were the evident causes.

The play was competently undertaken by the Passion Players and Intrepid Theatre of Vancouver, and the make-do venue at the Dance Studio on Johnson Street made Off Centre Stage look like a palace.

A burger at John's Place Restaurant and a dash for the ferry completed day one of a weekend of hard playing.

**Beaver Point prepares for bean suppers**

A traditional Beaver Point social event continues this Saturday.

The annual bean supper, first launched in 1954, is set for Saturday, October 1. Two sittings will be held at the Beaver Point Hall: one at 5 pm, the other at 6:30 pm.

Cost of the affair is \$2.50 for children and \$5 for adults, or \$15 per family.

Organizers expect the supper to prepare and serve between 40 and 50 pounds of beans, 40 dozen buns and about 50 pies.

The first supper in 1954 offered customers 22.5 pounds of cooked beans, 16 dozen buns and 30 pies.

Robert Rustad, chairman of the Beaver Point Hall committee, notes that in its boom years in the 1960s, the supper saw as many as 80 pounds of beans cooked and consumed.

In 1978, he notes, the event collapsed and "air escaped from the (Beaver Point) social balloon." The supper was resumed in 1983, in response to the prominent gap in the area's winter social schedule, he said.

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Sometimes we are so overjoyed with the possibilities of a Bush victory to the south of us, a Mulroneys victory here, and the continued transformation of B.C. into a banana republic, that we feel we must calm down. Since horticulture is so soothing, we resolved last week to try to solve a two-year-old plant mystery.

We had been walking on Fulford Beach, minding our own business and trying to not upset the jellyfish and crabs, when we saw a flowering shrub just above the high water mark, between a huge driftwood log and the trees. This is the part of the foreshore known to marine biologists as — brace yourself — the uppermost supralittoral fringe, which, except in storm-driven spring tide conditions, is only favoured with a little salt spray now and again. It is not where you would expect to find this showy four-foot bush, covered with pink and white twin-lobed cuplike blooms. The nearest house was out of sight up a lane on the other side of the road. Had a seed drifted across the Pacific on a log, to be deposited here in a winter gale, or had it come from Baja California buried in a swallow's feathers? My wife found ripe seed-pods, exploded them and, when we got home, added the seeds to her spring-planting collection.

**Mystery deepened at beach**

Only one came up, to grow as big as its parent. From it for months came the drone of bumble-bees, some so big compared to the cups that, having entered, they had to turn around to come back out. We still didn't know what it was, not did any of our visitors. It wasn't in any of our books. Nor were we enlightened the next year, when, of the hundreds of seeds it hurled at summer's end, only one, which landed in a damp crevice between log ends, sprouted to become another clone of its forbears. My wife, noting the seed-pod mechanism, did say it was like jewel weed, which she knew from Ontario. The mystery deepened when, going back to Fulford Beach each year, we found no trace of it.

Last week, with a few hours to kill in Vancouver, we went to the U.B.C. Botanical Gardens. Surely there, among the exotic plants from faraway places, we would find our shrub.

We walked through the Australian and South American areas. It wasn't there, and we set off for the Asian gardens, whose 30 acres were sure to have the answer, but, it being hot, we went into the B.C. Native Garden, a cool mini-forest. Except for the traffic sounds, we could have been in the Stein.

When we came to the edge of a pretty stream-fed lakelet our eyebrows shot up, because in the very middle, up to his waist in water, was a man. Was this a visitor who, more forthright than most, was using this direct way to beat the heat? Was he a misogynist having a miniature get-away-from-it-all experience. He was pulling things up from the bottom. Was he under the delusion that he was a moose? He looked at us. We looked at him. We didn't say anything; we didn't dare. To our fevered imaginations he looked like a cross between Hulk Hogan and the star of *It Came From The Swamp*. It seemed prudent to retreat, before he began beating his chest.

**Knowledgeable academic voice**

Twenty minutes later we were standing looking at a jewel weed specimen, and my wife was again noting that it had pods like our unknown, when somebody behind us said "*Impatiens biflora* — jewel weed. Do you know it?"

How fortunate! We could ask the knowledgeable owner of this voice from academe about our mystery plant. Turning, we saw that he was tall, broad-shouldered — and soaking wet. The Terror of Lost Lagoon was instantly transformed into a pleasant U.B.C. botanist doing field work.

We described our plant. "Ah," he said instantly, "*Impatiens glandulifera* — come with me." We went down the trail a couple of hundred feet, and there, in a damp shady glade, was growing not only our pink and white flowered kind, but a deep red one.

"It's a cultivated shrub," he said, "but it escapes in this climate. You might find it near a watercourse." He pulled off a bloom. "It's called Bobby's Helmet, or Policeman's Helmet. You can see why. Put some seeds in this," he said handing my wife a small envelope. "It will save me the trouble. You can get packets of seeds up at the shop, you know."

After asking if he could be of any further help, he wished us good day and left.

Our dreams of exotica are shattered. We'd found Bobby's Helmet, not a romantic Taza de Peru, or Cathay Cup. But does anybody know how it got to the Fulford Estuary tideline?

**Statement on clamming problems delivered in House by Jim Manly**

Federal MP Jim Manly (Cowichan-Malahat-the Islands) made a statement in the House of Commons Thursday regarding the plight of Gulf Islanders who face rampant commercial clam digging on local beaches.

Manly told the House that Salt Spring residents are under siege by diggers who harvest low tides both day and night. He noted that the number of diggers has increased dramatically as the price paid for clams has risen.

"In response to my letter of November, 1987," Manly said, "the minister of Oceans and Fisheries (Tom Siddon), acknowledged complaints from Gulf Island residents. However, he did not offer any solutions at the time, and I am pursuing the issue with him once again."

Manly told the House that a recent meeting of Salt Spring Island residents, organized by the Islands Trust, unanimously concluded the whole island should be closed to commercial clam harvesting.

"The meeting put forward recommendations calling for the creation of a federal-provincial investigation into commercial clam digging, new and tougher licensing regulations, harvesting limits, and designated commercial harvesting areas in accordance with local zoning regulations."

Manly said it is not enough to bring in size limitations and toughen up restrictions as to bag limits and the activities of these

clam diggers. The most important need, he said, is expansion of enforcement.

A spokesman at Manly's Ottawa office said it has received numerous complaints regarding the lack of available fisheries enforcement officers for the area.

Manly's office said the MP has been pursuing the clam digging issue with the minister of oceans and fisheries for close to a year. Siddon was not present in the House when the statement was made, and was therefore unable to comment.

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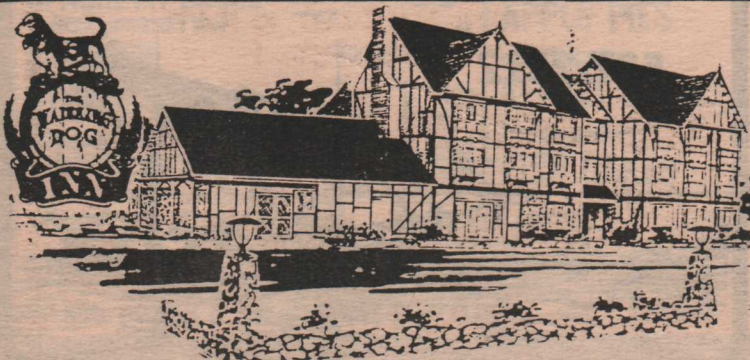
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# Selects drop game to short-handed Bays United

**Salt Spring Selects 1, Bays United 3**  
By MALCOLM LEGG

The Salt Spring Selects opened their 1989 soccer season with a game they would rather forget, dropping a 3 to 1 decision to Bays United.

It wasn't the fact the Selects lost to Bays, but the way the local side was defeated.

Bays United started the game with only nine players to the Selects' 11, and midway through the first half they lost another player, reducing them to eight players. Amazingly, they still came away with a victory.

In the opening half neither team created many good scoring opportunities, as both defences seemed to dominate the control of

play.

The Selects opened the second half by picking up the tempo of the play, boxing Bays United in their own end and creating good scoring opportunities.

About 20 minutes into the half, Selects finally found the range. Corbin Scott took a corner kick that Colin Walde headed to Tony Marshall to put in the net.

The Selects continued to press but missed chances by Andrew Aust, Charlie Hume and Corbin Scott that would come back to haunt them.

The local side seemed to relax in the late going, allowing Bays back into the game and permitting three goals in the last 15 minutes.

One can only admire the great effort of the Bays United eight,

who never gave up. At the same time, one must be dismayed at the poor effort and team play of the Selects.

Fortunately, it was the opening game of the season and I am sure the Selects will quickly improve their onfield play and make the opening game loss a forgettable event.



## Hands on

Students of the Salt Spring Island Power and Sail Squadron boating course received on-the-water instruction Saturday when members of the squadron took them on training cruises in their boats, both sail and power. During the two-hour session students received instruction in various boat handling and safety precautions. Training was followed by potluck luncheon at the S.S.I. Sailing Club. There are a total of

38 students signed up for this year's course, one of the largest registrations in the 15 year history of the squadron. The course has 14 three-hour weekly sessions, ending with a written examination during the second week of December. All instruction is done on a volunteer basis by squadron members. In the above picture are boat owner George Herberg (right), Jim Gosnell and Jim Walsh (left.)

## In men's play

# Golf Club championship settled

By ANN LOUISE McALLISTER  
Marjorie Russel took top spot in fairway play in the ladies' 18-hole division on September 20. Russel, who posted a score of 33 net, was followed by Kas Black at 36. The putt pot was taken by Helen Welliver with 28.

In nine-hole ladies' division play on September 21, low gross honours went to Barbara Nemeth, while low net was awarded to Vi Austin. Marg Hogg won the putt-pot with 15.

On September 18, the men played the final round of the club championship on September 18. After 72 holes of play, winner of the Crofton Cup for low gross was Richard Nemeth with a 320 score. Runner up at 334 was Barry Mills, followed by Phil Ritson with 335.

On the net side, the Humphreys Cup was taken by M.K. Mouat (young Mac) at 281. Runner-up with 283 was Jack Dosco, and third at 284 was Tom Butt.

The Parsons Cup for match play was won by Al McLean, who defeated Nester Wilkie in the final round. Runners-up were Bob Marshall and Stu Hopkins.

On Thursday, September 22, the men played round 13 of ringer and best ball. Low man — at 63 — was Nester Wilkie, followed by Al McLean at 64, Bill Kernahan at

66, and Jack Dosco at 67.

Fred Broadbent and Jack Godwin were tied with scores of 68, and Aage Villadsen, Alex McCauley and Gord Hutton finished with scores of 69.

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Against Oak Bay

# FC earns draw in second match of season

Salt Spring F. C. 2, Oak Bay 2  
By ALAN WEBB

Before I attend to new business — that is, the report of this past week's game — I must correct a mistake that appeared in last week's write-up. How such an error could have been made is inexplicable; not the fact that I made an error, but that an error of such monumental proportions should have escaped my notice.

Last week I reported that the third goal was scored by Carlo Legg on a penalty kick which resulted from a foul on Marty Legg. Arnie Hengstler has since pointed out to me (in no uncertain terms, I assure you) that the penalty, in fact, resulted from a defender punching a perfect Hengstler header off the line. My apologies to Arnie and my solemn promise that I'll not overlook his

considerable contributions to the F.C. cause again.

Salt Spring's home-opener proved to be a vastly different game than last week's season-opener. Last Sunday, F.C. scored three times in the first 30 minutes and looked very impressive indeed. This week, the local side started very slowly and uncertainly. A Steven Legg backpass to 'keeper Ken Marr in the opening minutes found an unco-operative tuft of grass and bounded into Ken's face. The rebound dropped co-operatively for the Oak Bay forward, however, and he made it 1-0.

Arnie was in no way responsible for this bit of ill-luck; in fact, he was nowhere near the area when the incident took place — not that he was out of position, mind you, that's not what I mean; he was in

exactly the right position for a player of his position in the circumstances leading to that unfortunate incident. (How's that Arnie?)

Oak Bay scored again before half time and again I cannot stress this point too much — Arnie had nothing whatever to do with the defensive breakdown that led to this second goal. (Although frankly I don't recall their second goal, but I'm almost certain Arnie had nothing to do with it — totally certain).

The second half proved to be a scrumbly affair, Oak Bay fighting to preserve the win, and F.C. slowly starting to get untracked and carry the play. Lance Lomax was instrumental in reversing F.C.'s fortunes with his strong tackling and inspired leadership. Arnie was great, too; his

performance was, well, intimidating.

Despite the overall improved performance in the last half, F.C.'s chances of a comeback were dealt a serious blow when Tony Legg was somewhat mysteriously ejected. Rallying in the face of adversity, however, Salt Spring controlled play to a greater degree with 10 men.

Ken Duke pulled one back for F.C. with about five minutes to play, when he got himself on the end of a fine run by Michael

Brown. Arnie may have had a touch on the ball in the build-up leading to that goal but I can't be sure. For safety's sake I'll just say he did.

The tying goal came just before the final whistle on a powerful Hank Braak freekick from 35 yards. The shot the goalkeeper managed to parry to the side, but the rebound he could not. Jack Braak finished the play beautifully and F.C. gained a point.

Next week F.C. is at home at Portlock Park, at 2:15 pm.

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Chasing ball are Intra-Island players Jeffrey Walsh (left) of Stingers and Kiram Black of United.

## Intra-Island league starts play; Fulford teams continue rivalries

By SYD WIGEN

The fall Intra-Island soccer season opened last Saturday at Portlock Park, with all the excitement that enthusiastic young players bring to the game.

The junior division — five- to seven-year-olds — met at 9 am in a pair of matches. Firebirds played the Panthers from Fulford in a game that moved from end to end. Down 2-0 on goals by Mandu Goebel and Lisa Baker, Firebirds rallied for a 2-2 tie, thanks to a determined scoring effort by Jeremy Keating. In the other contest, the Wildcats used a strong team effort to top the Eagles.

A fifth junior team drew a bye. Parents wishing to register a son or daughter in the junior division should come out at 9 am this Saturday. A few more players are needed to form a sixth team in the division and permit regular play for all teams each Saturday.

A major change has taken place this fall in the senior division, for those eight to 10 years old. No separate girls team was organized, but a number of their players from last year have augmented the ranks of the seniors to bring the circuit up to 10 teams from seven. Their five games are played concurrently, beginning at 10 am.

The friendly rivalry of the two Fulford teams was featured in a close match between the Hawks and the Lazars, with Eric Baker scoring the first goal for the Lazars.

Stingers, retaining most of their form from last year, played a strong positional game against the newly-formed United team.

Hornets, a newer and less-experienced squad last year, showed promise of being a strong competitor by posting a 2-1 win over the Rangers; goals for the Hornets came from Ryan Smith and Jackson Twa.

Sharks, with many new players on the team, were kept off the scoreboard by the fine goaltending of Robert McNair of the Furies. The game was much

closer than the 4-0 score would indicate.

Jiva Morris was the lone marksman in a 1-0 Arsenal win over Dundee.

In the Intra-Island league, the tradition of fair play and good sportsmanship has been well established. It was a pleasure to see coaches giving near-equal time to new players and experienced players alike. Regardless

of the final scores, there are only winners on the field.

It was also a pleasure to see so many parents and friends out, and we look forward to seeing more with each succeeding week. The league executive is presently stretched too thin, and help from some additional parents in activities such as issuing and recording uniforms would do much to help make everything run smoothly.

## Ajax begins new season with win over Peninsula

By CLIFF CAREY

Ajax, Salt Spring's Division Five boys team, won its season opener at Portlock Park Saturday morning. Final score was Ajax 2, Peninsula 1.

Peninsula opened the scoring when their first shot on goal was perfectly placed, high over the head of goalie Sean Hill. For the next 45 minutes, the Ajax forward line of Tom and Tim Hood, Graham Kaye and Kevin Walde put incredible pressure on the Peninsula defense but was unable to come up with the equalizer.

With 10 minutes left in the game, Tom Hood gained control of the ball from a scramble in front of the Peninsula defence but was unable to beat, Tom placed the ball perfectly into the left corner of the net to tie the score at one each.

A couple of minutes later, Tim Hood put Salt Spring ahead 2-1. After taking a pass from Graham Kaye, Tim placed a perfect shot just inside the right post of the Peninsula goal.

For the final minutes of the game, Peninsula tried hard to tie the score, but with good defence by Aidon Morris and David Carey, and good goaltending by Sean Hill, Salt Spring was able to preserve the win.

Ajax halfback Patrick Hayes played an outstanding game. Playing with a sore knee, Patrick was always the first one to the ball and was always in the play. Good game, Patrick!

This year's team is almost the same group of boys that won the Lower Vancouver Island district cup in Division 6 in 1987.

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## Trail Club outlines October schedule

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### OCTOBER 4

- Hike, Mt. Erskine. Trail-clearing with Jean King. Please bring clippers, etc.
- Regular walk, south end, with Linda McKieve. Meet at Drummond Park at 10:15 am.
- Interest trip, fish hatchery, with Kathy Reimer.

### OCTOBER 11

- Hike, Mt. Tuam, with Fiona Hook.
- Walk, Mt. Belcher, with Betty Ball.

### OCTOBER 18

- Hike, Mt. Maxwell, with Otto Lachmund.
- Interest trip, Wildwood tree farm in Yellow Point, with Nancy Holcroft. Take 9 am Vesuvius ferry.
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### OCTOBER 25

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## League meetings resume following summer recess

Members of the Salt Spring Island chapter of the Catholic Women's League held their most recent meeting on September 13, following mass at Our Lady of Grace Church.

The meeting was told that a sale of bulbs was to be held after the 10:30 am mass on Sunday, September 18. Proceeds will be directed to Pro-Life.

The CWL family life convenor gave the meeting a report on the pro-life situation in B.C.

It was also noted that Father Hennesey will arrive to conduct a mission at the parish around the end of October. A date is to be announced.

President Val Gyves gave a report on the Diocesan convention held last May 10 and 11, and

announced there would be a CWL regional meeting in Campbell River on October 4.

The CWL has decided to hold a bake sale, along with a white elephant and book sale, on October 29.

Letters of thanks for the pot luck supper were read from Jean and Dick Alderson, and from Bea and Ben Small, who are leaving the island.

## Fall, winter activities set for members

After its annual summer recess, the Ganges chapter of IODE has resumed activities for the 1988-89 season.

The first meeting of the new season was held September 9 at the United Church, with 28 members present and Regent Joyce Parsons presiding.

The first of many activities discussed for the fall and early winter is the bridge luncheon, to be held at St. George's Church Hall on October 21. Lunch will be served at noon, and games will follow. Tickets are available from IODE members.

After the September 9 meeting, members compared summer activities and enjoyed tea served by Alma McQuiggan.



Robin Cherney, Rene Bourget

## Cherney, Bourget wed in outdoor ceremony

Robin Cherney and Rene Gregory Bourget were married in an outdoor ceremony held on Salt Spring on July 25, 1988.

Rev. Al Skinner performed the ceremony, which was held at the couple's future home site, on a ridge overlooking Sansum Narrows, Vancouver Island and Vancouver.

The ceremony, featuring personal vows composed by both bride and groom, was attended by relatives from the U.S. and Canada, and by a small group of close friends. Music for the ceremony and reception was provided by a close family friend, John Lyon of Vancouver.

The bride wore a fuschia-coloured, seven-eighths length silk dress, while the groom wore a grey suit with teal pinstripes.

Flowers for the bride, bride's mother — Shirley Holman of Port Angeles, Washington — and bridesmaid Vissutida Prayoonuech of Thailand, were white roses, freesias and orchids trimmed with Queen Ann's lace and baby's breath.

Lapel flowers were provided for the bride's father — Robert Holman of Port Angeles, Washington — best man Lonh Holman of Port Angeles, and the

groom's attendant, Jason Cherney.

Following the afternoon ceremony, a reception and dinner were held at Booth Bay. Master of ceremonies for the occasion was Jim Spencer of Salt Spring Island. The wedding cake for the event was decorated with roses, magenta orchids and baby's breath. The bride's engagement and wedding rings were designed and created by local gemologist and goldsmith Bruce Pearson.

The groom will remain on Salt Spring as proprietor of Island Garden and Landscaping, while overseeing construction of the family home. The bride has accepted a teaching position in Fairfield, Iowa, and both children will attend school in the U.S.

For those relatives and friends who were unable to attend the wedding on short notice, the couple plans a second reception and house-warming to take place on July 25, 1989.

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### Fine picking

Maggie and Gordon Stockall, visitors to Salt Spring from London, Ontario, found roadside blackberry bush to their liking. Couple picked a bucket of berries before continuing their sight-seeing tour of the island.

## Parenting workshop group looks to reconsider agenda

The Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) Parents' Advisory group is looking for input to help determine the format and content of a parenting conference entitled *Bridging Gaps*.

The Parents' Advisory has been awarded a \$2,500 Effective Parenting Grant from B.C. Tel., and is now in the process of planning the conference or series of workshops which will bring together teachers, students and parents to discuss common interests in secondary education.

The conference proposal had to

be created and submitted in a relatively short time in order for the steering group to apply for the grant. The group is now looking

group is also looking for additional volunteer organizers.

As outlined in the original proposal, objectives of the *Bridging Gaps* conference are to increase the sense of shared purpose in high school education, and to bridge gaps in the community between parents and school, parents and adolescents,

and between dispersed elementary schools and a centralized high school.

Goals include broadening community support for the high school.

Included among the proposed workshop topics are: drug and alcohol abuse; student health and learning; achievement motivation; decision-making in the teen years; teaching responsibility; and peer counselling.

The planning committee for the *Bridging Gaps* seminar hopes to meet with different groups in the near future. Questions or suggestions should be directed to Anne Hohmann (653-9419), Pat Beitel (653-4544), or Mike or Maggie Hayes (537-9591).

## Generosity

The B.C. Ferry Corporation's Southern Gulf Islands employees have so far contributed almost \$14,000 towards an internally-administered community service fund.

The fund is fed by payroll deductions and its balance used to support agencies and organizations within the geographic collection area.

"It's our version of the United Way," explained corporation spokesman Bill Bouchard, who added that the United Way is included among recipients of fund proceeds.

Corporation employees serving the Southern Gulf Islands have so far contributed \$13,728.56 to fund-raising efforts, which are now drawing to a close.

Bouchard said employees earmark which agencies they wish to see receive their donations. "It's an opportunity for employees to contribute to agencies near where they live," he said.

The generosity of employees in the Southern Gulf Islands region, he continued, has been tremendous, he said, and noted in reports to senior management.

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## Social launches start of OAPO schedule

The Fulford Harbour branch of the Old Age Pensioners' Organization (OAPO) held a September 6 social to launch its 1988-89 season.

The pot luck supper gave members an occasion to join with Quentin and Martha Wilson to celebrate the couple's 60th wedding anniversary.

A business meeting took place at the Fulford Hall on September 20. A nominating committee was selected and charged with finding candidates for official positions in 1989.

As well, Nan Jenks from the OAPO branch at Central gave a

talk on the new organization, Salt Spring Island *Seniors for Seniors*. The group will attempt to supply seniors with information and services not generally available on the island.

A work bee was held September 27 to get the terrain behind Fulford Hall ready for a concrete walk and wheelchair access.

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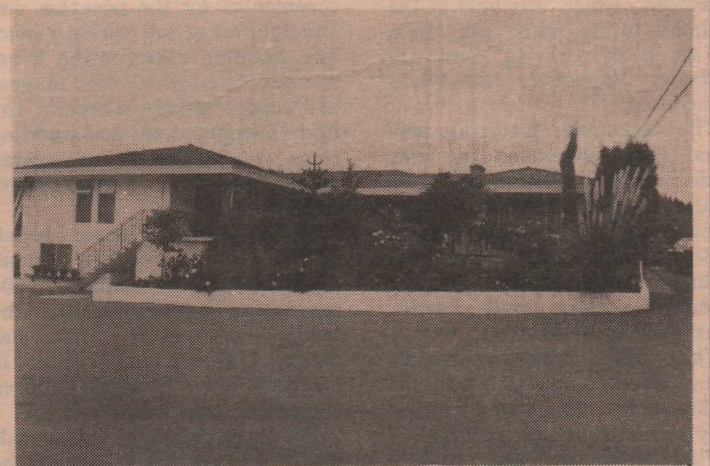
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# Depression forecast cites economic, social data

By **ROGIER THEUNISZ**

In my last column I wrote about business cycles, and how periods of economic growth are followed by periods of economic contraction. We have already seen that an increase in money supply causes the economy to expand. The inevitable rise in inflation that follows causes the money supply to shrink which, in turn, results in an economic slowdown. We go through one of these cycles at least once every 10 years.

There are, however, larger cycles at work. Ravi Batra, a renowned trade theorist and a professor of economics shows in his book *The Great Depression of 1990* that in the larger cycle, money supply and inflation peak every third decade. The contraction in the decade following one of these peaks will have the cumulative effects of both the smaller and the larger cycle and results in a deep recession.

If for some reason the conjunction of these two cycles does not produce a serious recession, then the decade following the next money supply peak (30 years later) will have a compounding cumulative effect and results in a full blown depression. The 1780s saw a depression; 30 years later the 1810s did not have a deep recession, and so the 1840s had a terrible depression. The 1870s had a serious recession, the 1900s did not and — you guessed it — the 1930s had the worst depression in history.

This theory has it that the 1960s should have had a major recession. It did not and so, according to Batra, the 1990s should see a devastating depression.

We have seen how an economic low in the 10-year cycle, when added to the low of the larger 30-



year cycles can result in a major recession. Why is it, however, that periodically the sixth decade causes such devastation?

Dr. Batra's argument is that depressions, as distinct from recessions, are caused by an extreme concentration of wealth. Such large concentration is inherently dangerous to economic stability. It tends to buy out

competition and unduly influences governments. As such, it removes a lot of the checks and balances that regulate the free market system.

The North American economy has seen four distinct periods of high concentration of wealth. The first three occurred just prior to each of the three depressions. The fourth started in 1983 and has been growing ever since.

Depressions tend to decimate these huge pools of capital and it seems to take at least two generations to rebuild this concentration. It also seems to take that long to forget the lessons of the past.

How likely is a depression in 1990? Standard economic theory has it that it could not possibly happen again. Governments have enough knowledge and clout that they would be able to prevent it. However, as Batra points out, there are a series of uncanny economic parallels between the late 1920s and the late 1980s. Sixty years later.

Next month, we'll look at how a depression might develop and what to do if it does.

*Rogier Theunisz is an investment broker with Midland Doherty and lives in Fulford Harbour.*

## Insured annuities help investors maximize incomes, minimize taxes

By **BRUCE FOERSTER**

Most individuals at retirement age are aware of various income vehicles such as guaranteed investment certificates, term deposits and bonds. Unfortunately, these same individuals may be unaware of another financial vehicle that can be used to maximize their income and minimize their income taxes payable—insured annuities.

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## Broad range of options available for investors

By **RON PARK**

Investing for the future and for financial security are important to many people.

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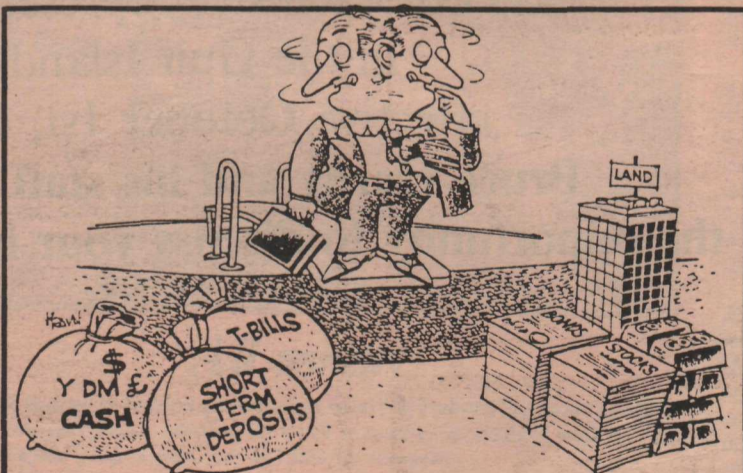
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# Environment focus of campaign drive

The NDP candidate for the federal riding of Saanich-Gulf Islands says environmental issues will be a major part of her campaign, as well as the prime focus of the NDP's national strategy.

"I am becoming increasingly aware of environmental issues ... and more familiar with how fragile the Gulf Islands are," Lynn Hunter said after attending a September 15 meeting of concerned citizens at Off Centre Stage in Ganges.

Hunter said the New Democrats will work to provide policies to protect our "fragile environment from further damage." Hunter noted that since the Mulroney government was elected four years ago, 511 jobs have been lost in Environment Canada — the department responsible for protecting our environment. This, she said, has directly impacted its ability to deal with problems such as PCBs and other pollutants threatening the health of Canadians.

The NDP candidate also noted the Mulroney government has not lived up to promises concerning the acid rain problem.

Hunter noted the Ganges meet-

ing expressed a "litany of woes" related to environmental issues in the Gulf Islands, focusing especially on the effects of logging and the Crofton mill. She said it was "quite depressing."

Hunter said issues surrounding the Crofton mill leave residents caught between "a rock and a hard place: the jobs it provides are needed and yet it may be poisoning us."

Hunter also said she was impressed by the number of concerned citizens who attended the meeting, noting that even with a seating capacity of 100, there was standing room only. Format of the meeting involved discussion of environmental problems facing the Gulf Islands by a panel composed of Sue Hiscocks, Bob Andrew and Peter Pentz. This was followed by a general discussion period.

It was decided to continue identifying major concerns on the islands and to lobby for environmental protection during the next election campaign.

The national media, meanwhile, has noted that the environment is emerging as the top election issue among Canadians, and may elicit more concern than debate over free trade.

# Waste option hearings to conclude in Victoria

Gulf Islanders wishing to appear before a special provincial government panel investigating solid waste options will have to wait until early November, when the task force ends its province-wide tour with sittings in Victoria.

The task force, headed by MLA James Rabbit (SC, Yale-Lillooet), will launch a 17-city round of hearings in early October. The final two sittings are November 9 and 10 at the Ramada Inn in Victoria.

Purpose of the hearings is to hear public comment on the growing garbage problem in B.C.

The committee's mandate is to review alternatives in the man-

agement of solid wastes, including recycling, composting and the necessary legislative changes and funding requirements. Last month, the ministry of the environment released a discussion paper which provides an overview of the garbage problem, and of the options for solutions.

Written submissions are being accepted by the committee. Briefs, requests for the discussion paper and arrangements to speak at the public hearings should be directed to: Task Force on Municipal Solid Wastes, Ministry of Environment, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X5.

# Letter shows Amnesty's value

When members of the Salt Spring Island chapter of Amnesty International gathered last week to take part in a letter-writing workshop, they were given an example of the power of the written word.

Read to the group was the contents of a letter written by a Bangkok lawyer on behalf of his client, Wiira Musikaphong, who had been released from prison in

July after "thousands of overseas letters" went sent to the Thai king on his behalf.

One of those letters was written by Rosamund Dupuy of the Salt Spring Island group.

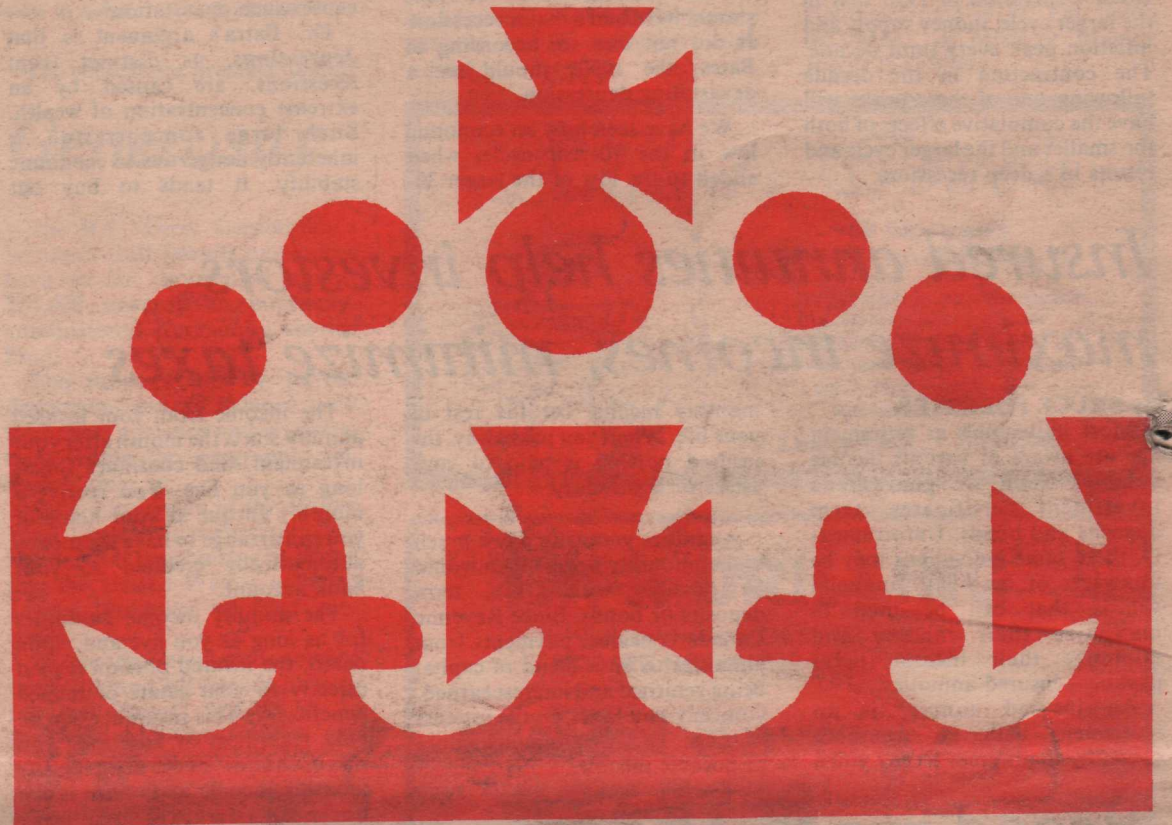
The Thai lawyer noted that he and his client believe the letters from abroad were responsible for his freedom.

Andrew Gibson of the local Amnesty chapter — known as Group 72 — said the quiet release

of prisoners, or an improvement in their conditions, "is the best, and usually the only reply, to such letters."

The response from Thailand, he said, was "a moving and eloquent confirmation of the work of Amnesty International."

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