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EDITORIAL.

We've burst into a spot of colour this time but the story that your Editor sprained his shoulder patting his own back over it is quite untrue! As a matter of fact the Fulford Store started the colour advertising idea in our issue of 15 March, and we just developed it. Frankly, we hadn't any time to indulge in acrobatics, we went after the School Board to see what they were up to when they went round selling their By-law. We think they'll get away with it: the idea is basically sound, they're a decent bunch of fellows, they're sincere, they've worked hard, studied their plan and know what they are talking about. The scheme is complicated but after hearing the explanation five times your Editor got the hang of it. No matter whether the by-law is passed or not, school taxes will go up from 9.64 to 10.32 per mil for next year. The reason for this is that the School Board, unable owing to Government Regulations to submit a budget, was forced to send in a provisional estimate, and this, in spite of their covering letter, was taken as their budget figure and the civil servants raised the tax rate accordingly. There is no real need for this raised tax figure; the Board swears that next year it will not exceed 10 per mil; if we bully them enough we should get it down to 9.64 again.

The building scheme is in the by-law (Spotlight 1st April) and everybody has seen it; what isn't made clear however is that so far as school finance is concerned, this district is on the receiving end -- the Government gives \$2 for every \$1 we contribute in taxes; for the by-law construction (excluding by-law expenses) the Government pays equal dollar for dollar. Ganges school for example is not kept up by taxes paid by islands other than Salt Spring: it, like every other school in the district, is only able to exist through Government help.

North Galiano was in favour of the by-law. At Retreat Cove Mr Graham was against it and Mr Horatio Robertson (who built the Mahon Hall in 1901), while generally in favour, questioned the Trustees extensively. At Galiano (35 present) Mr J.H. Robinson asked, Why not build the new school now? and Mr Robertson retorted (when the Chairman said the Ganges children have no place to go when it rains): Our children have no place to go when the sun shines! The Board says the new school will be built if the school and pre-school population of permanent residents is the same next year as this. On Saturna Mr Frank B. Corey remarked that we might as well vote for the by-law as we have to pay for it any way, and on South Pender opinion was generally in favour of the plan. At the evening meeting at Mayne your Editor was so tired that whereas the Secretary counted 30 resident ratepayers present, your Editor could only count 25!! Mr. Payne asked whether tenders were going to be called for (Yes) and whether this was time to build when prices are so high and there already are shortages (No, but there is really no other alternative). Mr Hunt Sawrey spoke at some length and asked inter alia whether this was a good time to issue bonds (How else can the money be raised?). Mr Wilkes spoke about the lack of manual training. There was some feeling that the education on Mayne was not all it might be. Mr Aitken said that after the by-law passed, the Ganges High School would become fully

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ANNUAL HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION MEETING. 3rd
APRIL. This meeting did not pass the Balance Sheet nor did it elect new officers. Last year the Secretary prepared the balance sheet in Government form, & although approved, it was criticized, so this year he prepared it in a form which was a compromise between the Government and ordinary business form. Some people didn't like that either, and discussion grew hot. It was decided that the balance sheet should be rearranged for presentation at the next meeting. What this all boils down to is that the Secretary will have to prepare two balance sheets in future (both from the same audited set of figures): a commercial balance sheet to show the financial position and a special Government balance sheet for the Civil Servants in Victoria. This duplication of work seems a waste of time. Our sympathy is with the Chairwoman, Mrs. Warren Hastings.

The "Patient-days" figure was 3266, an increase of 401 days over 1949.

DENTAL CLINIC. 4th April.

Mrs. Goodman was Chairwoman, and representatives from most of the Salt Spring Associations were present. The reason for this meeting was for the representatives to get full information so as to report back, then there would be a future meeting round the 18th April, from which a Working Committee could be formed. The Dental Clinic should start in May. Dr. F. McCombie, Asst. Director of the Division of Preventive Dentistry, outlined the Programme of his Division and the aim of Province wide dental care; Mr. Colin Mouat said that the School Board would be able to help the scheme next year.

FULFORD GENERAL MEETING. 4th April.

Mr. Walter Brigden was Chairman. Arrangements were made for the 24th May Celebration which will be run by the S.S.I. Women's Institute. Messrs. L.F. Nicholson, D. Goodman, and J. Barker of the Volunteer Fire Brigade suggested that an auxiliary Fire Brigade should be started at Fulford, and a Committee (Messrs. R. Akerman, R. Coleman, and J. Fraser) was elected to form one.

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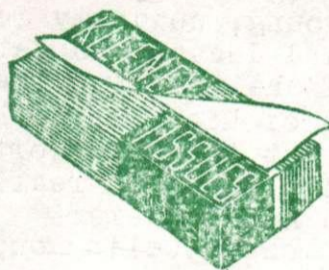
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L.L.A. 3rd April.

Mrs. C. Mouat & Mrs. E. Booth volunteered to act as representatives in discussing the question of the establishment of a Children's Dental Clinic with other organizations. Generally speaking, the meeting was in favour of its establishment in principle but wanted more details before committing itself. This was more or less the feeling of the Guild of Sunshine too (Spotlight April 1st). A donation of \$10.00 was made towards scholarships for the children of Veterans. For the L.L.A. Welfare scheme, Mrs. I. Mouat suggested starting a woollen pool & Mrs. Sharpe and Mrs. Catto are going to collect and parcel woollens which will be made into blankets for later use. Over 40 members present.

SOUTH S.S.I. WOMEN'S INSTITUTE. 4th April.

This was a women's afternoon tea party, nearly all Fulford people. The following were in charge of the various stalls: Miscellaneous, Mrs. M. Lee; Plants, Mrs. R. Lee; Candy, Mrs. H. LaViolette. Mrs. A. Davis was President and the show netted \$30. The cushion made by Mrs. J. H. Grosart was won by Mrs. Singleton, senior. In the Bread and Biscuit Competition, (Mrs. A. J. Hepburn, Judge, assisted by Mrs. W. W. Hippisley) Mrs. Davis won the first prize in everything. The second prizes were: White Bread, Mrs. Gear Evans; White Bread Purity Flour, Mrs. M. Gyves; Brown Bread, Miss Violette Hamilton; Blue Ribbon Tea Biscuits, Mrs. M. Gyves 2nd, Miss Violette Hamilton 3rd, Mrs. M. W. White 4th.

BRIDGE CLUB

The winners were 1st, first & second half Messrs P. D. Crofton & Eric Springford, 2nd, first half G. A. Matthewson, C. Wagg, second half J. Bond, J. Beck; Consolation E. Parsons, L. G. Shewfelt.

VARIETY CONCERT

6 Apr. The Mahon Hall was packed and at times very hot, but your Editor was lucky and watched this show from the point of vantage of the chap who was handling the lights. The Concert's main parts were scenes with the mixed chorus,



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male quartet and plays. In the mixed chorus the women's voices were particularly sweet and clear and the words of the songs could be distinctly heard. The dresses were pastel shades which harmonized beautifully (as a proof of the excellence of the Producing, only in one scene was there any discordant colour;). We liked Lilli Marlene of the mixed chorus numbers best and of the Male Quartet's "Vive l'Amour" and "Dem Bones". The quartet (it was their first public appearance) sang well and they were highly applauded. Of the two plays, we preferred "Rats" but in both cases we felt that the actors were very much better than the script. In both plays the subplot was that a middle-aged couple who knew each other when young, suddenly recognized each other, and decided to get married on the spur of the moment. The actor took this hurdle of high improbability magnificently but they are worthy of better stuff in which they can really use their talent. The Actors were: Mixed chorus: Mrs Don McLeod, Colin Mouat, Trelford, Whitehead, Tomlinson, A. Nobbs, with the male voices Messrs Roy Whitehead, Jack Tomlinson, Dr. Boyes who was also in the male quartet with Messrs I.W. Bradley, W.H. Bradley & S. Lett. Coline Mouat & David Ashlee sang two duets, Tommy Toynbee was the soloist in "If all the Stars were pretty Babies", and the stars were Claire Devine, Geraldine Krebs, Patricia Wells, Wilmer McGill, Paddy Peterson, Lois Foubister, Eileen Reynolds. In "Where's my coat?" the actors were: Rev. Bompas, Mrs Bompas, Mr C. Sans and Mrs E. Reynolds (at an afternoons notice, Congratulations!); in "Rats": Mrs McGill, Mr Elvin Walters, Mr & Mrs Zenkie. Mrs Francis & Mrs Ashlee were Producers and Mrs Ashlee (who also played duets with Pat Dawson) and Mrs. Hastings were pianists. Tommy Toynbee & Wilmer McGill took the lead in Lilli Marlene and Mr & Mrs Whitehead in The Marriage of Lilli Marlene. Many others helped in one way or another. The Concert was an excellent show. Our congratulations to all on its well deserved success.

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EDITORIAL (continued).

equipped; it is very expensive to board children for High School, Why not have a dormitory to look after the High School children from Gulf Islands other than Salt Spring? At Hope Bay, North Pender, the meeting kept the Chairman short of drinking water, good-humouredly ribbed him and finally awarded the Board a Vote of Thanks. Mr. Shirley and Mrs Cousineau queried the Mahon Hall project; Why should an Activity Room be built at Ganges when there is the Mahon Hall (The proposed Activity Room isn't high enough or big enough), Is Pender paying for the Mahon Hall (No, without Government aid the whole School District would go broke) the North Pender school needs improvement besides those in the by-law -- proper sanitary arrangements, furnace etc. Mr. Menzies said some children had to walk too far to school. Mrs Auchterlonie asked when the tenders would be called for (30 days after the vote). At Fulford, not many people turned out and the meeting was very quite, nor was any further point brought out at Ganges.

APOLOGIES

We find we've left the name of Mrs. I.W. Bradley out of the list of performers in the Variety Concert.

GALIANO LODGE

The loss of Galiano Lodge by swift fire is a disaster not only to the owners, to whom we extend our sincere sympathy, but also to our district. That such a fine place should be destroyed is heartbreaking. We hope they will take courage and re-build.

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GUILD OF SUNSHINE

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WHARVES.

Fraser Construction is carrying out repairs on Retreat Cove Wharf, but the School Board party noticed that the slipway on Mayne is in a dangerous condition and that the float at Galiano is out of position and liable to come adrift in rough weather: the bolts which hold the chains are being dragged from the wood. The Dominion Public Works at New Westminster was promptly informed and it is expected that repairs will be made shortly.

DEFENCE MEETING

9 Apr. The films were about the activities of the Canadian Scottish (mainly 2nd battalion) 1930 to 1939, and the major activities of the Canadian Scottish 1950. Col. Walter Mosedale gave an account of requirements today and hoped that we would be able to form a sub-unit of the Canadian Scottish on Salt Spring.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE C.W.L.

The Annual meeting was held on Tuesday April 10th at the home of Mrs. Britton. 14 Members present. Election of Officers as follows: President, Mrs. Britton, relected by acclamation. 1st Vice-Pres. Mrs. G. St.Denis, 2nd Vice-Pres. Mrs. W. Jameski, 3rd Vice-Pres. Mrs A.E. Marcotte, Secretary, Mrs. H.J. Carlin, Treasurer, Mrs. E. Brenton, Hospital visitor, Mrs G. St.Denis, Citizenship, Mrs. A. McDonald, Magazine Convenor, Mrs. E. Brenton, Arrangements were made for a tea at the

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TO THE RATEPAYERS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 64 SALTSRING

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 64 (SALTSRING) SCHOOL LOAN BY-LAW NO. 1 is presented for your consideration, and you will have the opportunity to vote on this By-Law on Monday, April 16th, 1951.

Your Board of School Trustees presents the following explanations:-

The Board of School Trustees has made an extensive survey of all anticipated building requirements for the next few years and have included these in this By-Law.

SOUTH GALIANO SCHOOL. The Board recommends that an amount of money be allowed to build a new two-room school at South Galiano. It is felt that the present location and building is not satisfactory, and should the school population warrant it, the Board recommends that a new school be built sometime in 1952 or 1953. A new site in an appropriate location has been donated for this purpose.

MAYNE ISLAND. Your Board recommends that a new woodshed be built at the Mayne Island School, as the present one is in a very poor state of repair.

GANGES. It is necessary to provide additional class rooms at Ganges, and your Trustees recommend that an addition providing two class rooms and a large activity room be built on to the Ganges School.

The Board also recommends that certain changes be made in the Industrial Arts room at Ganges; these will provide for a drafting room within the present building, as well as constructing a forge room at the north side of the present school.

NORTH GALIANO SCHOOL. Your Trustees recommend that additional windows be put in the north wall of the building at this location. Further, that a woodshed be built, also that the steps be re-constructed and that other minor repairs be carried out.

PENDER ISLAND SCHOOL. The Board recommends that repairs be made to the roof of this school and that a cement floor be put in the present basement, as well as other minor repairs.

SOUTH PENDER ISLAND SCHOOL. Your Trustees recommend the repair of the roof of this building.

MAHON HALL - GANGES. This building is owned by your School District and is used mainly as a Gymnasium for the Ganges School. Your Board recommends alterations to this building to provide more room for Gymnasium and Drama facilities. It has been necessary for your Board to allow sufficient money to cover other contingencies, Architect's costs, cost of By-Law and Debenture expenses, have been included. It has been necessary for your Board to anticipate maximum expenditures in all cases, but you are assured that every effort will be made to keep the amount expended to a minimum.

Meetings are being arranged at all points in the District where representatives of your Board of School Trustees will be present. Your Trustees urge you to attend the meetings and they will welcome questions on all matters pertaining to the By-Law. The following is a list of meetings to be held.

Monday, April 9	North Galiano Island School	10:30 a.m.
Monday, April 9	Retreat Cove School	2:00 p.m.
Monday, April 9	Galiano Club	8:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 10	Saturna Island School	10:30 p.m. a.m.
Tuesday, April 10	South Pender Island School	2:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 10	Mayne Isl. Maple Leaf Club	8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 11	Hope Bay Hall, Pender Island	1:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 11	Fulford Community Hall	8:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 12	Mahon Hall (Ganges)	8:00 p.m.

THESE ARE YOUR MEETINGS - YOU ARE URGED TO ATTEND.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 64 *J. Fowler* Secretary-Treasurer.
T. Fowler.

TAKE NOTICE that the above is a true copy of the proposed By-law upon which the vote of the electors will be taken on MONDAY, APRIL SIXTEENTH between the hours of 8 A.M. and 8 P.M. at the following places:-

North Galiano Island School
Retreat Cove School
Galiano Club
Saturna Island School
South Pender Island School
Mayne Island Maple Leaf Club
Hope Bay Hall Pender Island
Fulford Community Hall
Mahon Hall (Ganges)

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