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LET'S ARGUE

PURE SOCIALISM WILL NEVER

WORK . . . It was Stephen Leacock who said, "Socialism will work only in Heaven and Hell. Heaven doesn't need it and Hell already has it". He is right for Socialism can not work on this Earth, for man is not made that way.

Pure Socialism, with complete freedom from want, with each paid according to his need and worth, takes the spice out of life. The Socialists have forgotten one thing - man is basically an animal with instincts and emotions. Instincts and emotions can not be killed or controlled by a State. For instance, the challenge of survival: This is an important drive in all men to some degree, whether it's climbing a mountain, telling the boss to go to heck, carving a living in the wilderness, or throwing away security to do nothing but paint. In the normal course of life, if the challenges do not appear, man becomes bored and restless and will invariably place himself in a jeopardizing position. This is why we have explorers, scientists, snake charmers, lion tamers, wife-beaters, test pilots, men who change their job every year and others who wander the world searching for something they know not what. Man will always go to the brink - whether it's stepping out on his wife or collectively going to war. There is no place in a Socialist world for a snake charmer, a Paul Gauguin, a Dylan Thomas, or even a Jesus Christ. How could a Socialist world have judged the need or worth of Jesus when he was wandering about, preaching a new concept? They would have nailed him to the cross as swiftly as Caesar.

Under pure Socialism man will have to make his own challenges, artificial challenges that will satisfy somewhat this urge and do the State no good. This (CONT'D ON P.2)

VOTE 21 - 17 FOR MARINA

At a public meeting, sponsored by the S.S.I. Chamber of Commerce, to discuss the application of Mr. Art Young for an extension of 500 feet to his present foreshore lease for the purpose of establishing a marina, the property owners voted 21 - 17 in favor of granting the lease. The voting result, to be used by the Lands Dept. for guidance only, was the climax of a lively discussion.

Mr. Young's plan called for dredging for the proposed boat basin and to supply the material for the solid fill. He stated that his marina would bring an additional \$100,000 in revenue for all the businesses of Ganges and provide a payroll of \$12 - 18,000 per year. He said that new industry was vitally needed in Ganges and that he was amazed that anyone would be against such a proposal. In giving the details of his plan, he said that he was open to suggestion for alterations to overcome some of the objections of the opponents of the plan.

The 17 dissenters, the majority living in waterfront homes in the immediate neighbourhood of the proposed marina, raised a number of objections. Capt. V.C. Best was the first on his feet after Mr. Young asked for comments and stated the dredging was impractical, feared that the normal drainage of creek would be interfered with, and that Salt Spring had enough marinas at present. Dr. A. Francis flatly stated he was against the plan and would fight it with all his resources. He complained of the noise of previous dredging carried out by Mr. Young and believed that the proposed boat basin would become nothing more than a cesspool for old oil cans. Dr. Francis classed the marina as (CONT'D ON P.2)

FACTS, FABLES & FOIBLES

Beginning this week is a column called "Let's Argue". It is open to anyone to expound, argue, and counter-argue weird and wonderful ideas. On any subject except current Island controversy. We won't print the names of the contributors, but we must have your name for our files. Keep your arguments under 300 words. This could be fun . . . Vic Jackson, while walking over a friend's property near Lake Cowichan, discovered a fairly new Ford panel truck abandoned on an old logging road. The friend had no idea how it got there, and the growth of bracken indicated it had been there about a month. The radiator, two doors, a mud-guard, and the battery had been stripped off the car, but the unthinking culprits left four new tires In case the landlord hasn't heard, the temporary School Board office has a faulty lock on the bathroom door. Mrs. Sturdy had to scream to be unlocked on the odd occasion. Of all people whoever existed on this earth, 20% of them are still alive If you do nothing else, read the McGill ad. The School Board of Vancouver ordered three principals to strike the B.C. flag and one of the trustees quoted DRIFTWOOD about the flag problems of Ganges Definition of "colloge-bred" A four year loaf on Dad's dough. The Gulf Island Cleaner's sidewalk has caved in. Probably due to all the people peeking at the flowers A friend of DRIFTWOOD sent in the following verse about census. (Scottish newspaper) "Even flippant folks like me, /Who don't let worries tense us, /Will find tonight is guaranteed /To bring us to our Census!" And one of our census takers did not let the stuck doors of (CONT'D ON P. 2)



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gerous sewage problems of Ganges and was doing everything in his power to change the situation. He expected to have a government report to hand to the Chamber of Commerce at their next meeting. He said that his proposed fill would allow the creek to drain straight down to the sea. He believes that the beauty of the harbour would be enhanced by eliminating a lot of the mud flat and the sight of sailing boats and other craft.

Mr. A. Wolfe-Milner spoke of the old, unsightly blacksmith shop that used to stand on Mr. Young's property and that Mr. Young's present building and property was an improvement over

(CONT'D FROM P. 1 - LETS ARGUE) . . . is indicated in Sweden, a highly socialized nation. The youth are manufacturing their challenges with faster cars, looser morals and less respect for law and order. The older people, tired of the drabness and tired of looking for something to live for - i.e. a challenge - have turned to suicide. Not able to find a challenge on this side of the brink, they go over, hoping to find an experience or an answer on the other side. Perhaps they have discovered the answer. Life is unlivable under pure socialism.
(NAME ON FILE)

(CONT'D FROM P. 1 - FACTS, FABLES, etc.) . . . her car stop the nose-counting. She climbed in and out the car window. . . . The fish are here! Marshall Sharpe hooked a 17 pounder off Cusheon Cove on Sunday morning, using flasher, Tom Mac and 4 oz. of lead. Laurie Mouat boated a few off Tent Is. on Sunday also with flasher & Tom Mac Another local nimrod christened his new boat by tagging and releasing his first salmon. Anyone catching a coho tagged "Marlene" please report it to DRIFTWOOD DRIFTWOOD has begun a new service for S.S.I. We are keeping an up-to-date file on all the airline schedules. If you desire any airline information drop by the DRIFTWOOD office or phone 176

(CONT'D FROM P. 1 - MARINA) . . . parallel to Mr. Young's dream of a proposed bridge to Vancouver Island. Mr. W. T. D. Jones, Florist, claimed that the creek had been diverted to run parallel to his beach by the previous fill by Mr. Young for his garage site. Other dissenters spoke of ruining the beauty and the value of their residential homes.

Mr. Young in rebuttal, stated he had improved the drainage of the creek by his previous fill and also stated he was horrified at the dan-

the old shop. Mr. G. S. Humphreys cautioned the people to think wisely about voting against a man's efforts to make a living in an unorganized area. He stated we all come here for different reasons, some to retire, some to raise turkeys, and some to earn a living, and the real question of the evening was whether we had the right to interfere with someone earning a living.

The meeting was chaired by Mr. C. Horel, President of the Chamber of Commerce.

According to Ganges' Weather Observer, Mr. H. Carlin, the rainfall in May was 2.17 inches. This compares to the 1.80 inches of last May. The high temperature was 78 degrees, recorded on the 19th and the low of 40 degrees was recorded on the 3rd. The high of last year was 71 and the low was 40. The maximum mean this May was 61.4 and the minimum mean was 45.6.

Officials of Gulf Islands Ferry Co. and the post office are negotiating toward institution of daily mail service to the Gulf Islands to replace the present service of two and three deliveries per week. Islands under consideration are Pender, Mayne, Galiano and Saturna, which are represented in the demand for mails by the Gulf Islands Joint Council.

Mr. J. James, of Vesuvius, was guest speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the G.I. Camera Club. He gave an interesting discussion on "Close-Ups" the topic for the evening. He showed many slides, dealing chiefly with the diseases of plants and stressed the importance of pictures in visual education. There was a lively question and answer period following his talk. On June 16th there will

be a workshop for members at the home of Mrs. M. Seymour.

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"Dear Sir; Being a visitor to your beautiful Salt Spring Island, I am surprised to find one lane made into a garbage dump, and stench beyond description. I refer to a lane near the end of Churchill Road that leads down to a bay, and is apparently a government road. (signed) "Visitor"."

Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Alexander announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Susan Elizabeth, to Patrick Parker of Calgary, Alta. Mr. Parker is a former resident of Salt Spring Is. The wedding will take place on June 19th, at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church. Rev. W. Mudge will officiate.

LETTER-TO-THE-EDITOR-DEPT...

Dear Sir: "Your "B.C. Flag" Story recalls another secession movement from the Dominion of Canada. It was a hot day, and some of the boys had gotten together with a bottle of limejuice and suitable mixer. It was agreed that Saltspring had no real ties with the rest of British Columbia, or Canada for that matter. The member of Parliament (who lived in Nanaimo) scarcely knew that the place existed. So it was decided to petition Her Majesty to have Salt Spring Island become a Crown Colony. The petition was in the form of a cable, but it was such a hot day, and lime-juice-and-mixer (this was pre-Fred Spracklin) had to be purchased with a slight surcharge added, so that by the time the petition was ready, nobody had the price of the cable, or of even a five-cent stamp. A few of the petitioners are still around. They may have seen pink elephants (little ones, anyway) in their time, but nothing as horrifying as the Bennett Ensign a-top the school flagpole. Yours truly, (signed) 'No-Score and Friends.'"

"Sir, As a passing visitor, I must express my surprise so rural community as Saltspring with a paper, DRIFTWOOD but please, Mr. Editor, do not spoil with silly comments on secession. The rooinek influence is still deeply embedded and I suspect your remarks were aimed at South Africa. It is to be hoped you may one day really qualify to be a Republic of British Columbia. First though you have many faults to correct before you attain the moral strength essential, you spend too much money on drink, you allow

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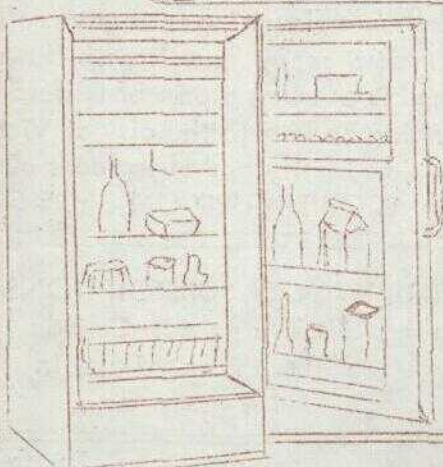
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The regular Monthly Meeting of H.M.S. Ganges Chapter I.O. D.E. was held at Harbour House on Friday, June 2nd, when 23 members and 2 guests sat down to an excellent LUNCHEON. The members were very disappointed to hear that Mrs. R. J. Sprott of Vancouver, who had been invited to come as Guest Speaker to the Luncheon, had been unable to do so on account of illness.

The Meeting was presided over by the Regent, Mrs. Earl Hardie, who announced that at the Annual Meeting of the National Chapter, held last week in Calgary, Mrs. V. C. Best had been honoured by being one of the five B. C. members elected to the National Council of the I. O. D. E.

At the business meeting, held in the Lounge, arrangements were completed for the SCHOLARSHIP TEA to take place in St. George's Hall on Thursday, June 8th.

The Educational Secretary, Mrs. Carlin, read a letter from the Teacher at the Tatlayoko School, thanking for flower seeds received from the Chapter. The seeds are to be planted round the School. \$20.00 was voted for the purchase of an Encyclopedia for Tatlayoko.

The Echoes Secretary, Mrs. Eagles, undertook to send an account of the Empire Day Programme at the Ganges School for publication in "Echoes". The Film Convener, Miss Dean, reported that unusually good films had been shown lately by the National Film Board. The Empire and World Affairs Convener, Miss Manning, read a very informative article from "Blackwoods Magazine" on AFRICA, in which were described most vividly the central African States, and their isolation due to language and other difficulties.

It was decided to hold a BAKE SALE at Mout's Store on July 13th, to be convened by Mesdames Best, Eagles, St. Denis, Bishop Wilson and Miss Lees. Another BAKE SALE on August 10th will be presided over by Mrs. Hardie, Mrs. Richardson, Miss Dean, and Mrs. West. The Chapter voted to hold no Meetings during the months of July and August.

FULFORD NEWS - By Bea Hamilton News from Fulford always seems to be scattered and one never knows just what is coming up. This week it blows high, wide and handsome, especially around the docks at Fulford. The Flower-boxes, which have been re-filled with good earth (by our own Bob Patterson) and flowering plants have been bedded in by three public spirited ladies, Mrs. G. Maude, Mrs. A. E. Roddis, and Mrs. R. Gibling. Actually, Mrs. Maude started it some six years ago and with help from various ladies in the community, she has kept the boxes flowering in a gay profusion of colour each Summer season. This is a happy "Say it with flowers" welcome to tourists and visitors, and is as much a part of Fulford atmosphere as are the Flowering Hanging Baskets to the city of Victoria, B. C. We notice at Christmas time, holly and evergreens often replace the Summer flowers, in the (CONTINUED ON PAGE 5)

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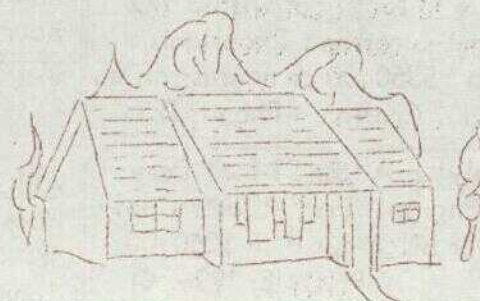
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CONT'D FROM PAGE 4) Fulford flower boxes....

And in a few days, the "clean-up-tidy-up" bee will be buzzing around Fulford, also backed by Mrs. G. Maude and ladies. The "bee" consists of the children from the community - and they do a splendid job, more power to them! We spotted the new motor vessel of Mr. Quentin Wilson's coming into the Harbour this week - it looked a beauty - Mr. Wilson says there is much to do on the boat yet - and he's busy as a beaver doing it - that's where he usually is when one cannot find him - down on the boat working on it. Mr. and Mrs. M. Gyves just returned from a visit to their daughter Deena and her husband (Mr. and Mrs. R. Sanderson) of Vancouver. Deena drove Mum and Dad 'way up Mt. Seymour and they haven't recovered from the thrill yet. It was so steep and twisty, says Mrs. Gyves, but the view from the mountain top was breath-taking - they could see all over Vancouver - they walked in snow and watched the skiing - and are jolly glad to get back home where they can keep their feet on terra firma, in good old peaceful Fulford. Mrs. H. Townsend has gone off to Victoria to visit daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. Douglas. Mr. and Mrs. R. Coleman of Victoria, are back at Fulford for awhile. Mrs. Edie Wilson has taken over T. Daffurn's cottage for a few months. Mrs. Wilson comes from Vancouver. Mrs. P. Middlemiss spent a few days with Mrs. Mary Hersey in Vancouver last week. Venerable Archdeacon C. A. R. Bradshaw of Christ Church Cathedral took the morning service at St. Mary's Anglican Church in Fulford on Sunday. (Sorry to hear the Archdeacon G. H. Holmes was under the weather) Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Stewart of Beaver Point are away - gone to visit their daughter Ella and her husband, Mrs. and Mrs. R. Doyle in Toronto. They will be there a month. Young Terry and Chris Maude have been staying in the Maude's guest house at Fulford, whilst their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Maude of Sidney, hop off on a flight to England. Mrs. Robertson of Victoria has been looking after the children. Mrs. Butt Sr. has gone to England also - it seems to be catching - Mrs. Butt's granddaughter Susan, is Canada's top woman tennis star - she also writes for the Victoria Daily Times in between matches. There's lots more news but that's enough for now. The meeting of St. Mary's Guild was held at the home of Mrs. A. Davis and Misses Hamilton on Tuesday, June 6th with fourteen present, and one visitor. Owing to illness, Archdeacon and Mrs. G. H. Holmes were not present. Mrs. F. L. Jackson (CONT'D on P. 7)

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CHURCHES

Sunday, June 11th, ANGLICAN: St. Mark's - Central Holy Communion - 8:30 a.m. St. George's - Ganges - Holy Communion and Matins - 11: a.m. St. Mary's-Fulford - Evensong - 2:30 p.m. St. Nicholas - Vesuvius - Evensong - 7:30 p.m. UNITED: Ganges - 11:00 a.m. ROMAN CATHOLIC: - Our Lady of Grace - Holy Mass - 10:30 a.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE GROUP: Mahon Hall - 11:00 a.m. JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES: Mahon Hall - 2:00 p.m. BIBLE CHAPEL: Sunday School - 10:30 a.m. - Song Fest - 7:30pm

COMING EVENTS

June 8 - I. O. D. E. Scholarship Tea St. George's - 8:00 p.m. School Board - 8:00 p.m. June 9 - Anglican W.A. - 2:30pm Bingo - Catholic Church - 8:00pm June 13 - Catholic Women's League June 15 - Vesuvius Bay Circle - home of Mrs. Robinson.

Dispatch from our special correspondent Brian Sober - Grade 4 . . . Who would be interested in joining the 4 - H Club? It is lots of fun! If you have a calf or any other livestock you might be interested in joining it. For further information phone: Kathy Baker at Ganges 146-C

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(CONT'D from P. 5 FULFORD NEWS) opened the meeting with the Lord's Prayer, and she also thanked all those who had helped during the recent activities of the Church, both at the Easter and the Confirmation Services. There had been two spring cleanings done, Mrs. Jackson told them, and the members had buckled to and done a tremendous job all the way through, and Mrs. A. Davis had handled the coffee party after the Confirmation most efficiently, and all had enjoyed the refreshments. Plans were made for the Parish fete to be held at Harbour House on August 2nd and there will be a July executive meeting to make final arrangements. The St. Mary's Guild will be in charge of a Home produce stall. Mr. and Mrs. Roddis have offered to provide covers for the Chancel hassocks, and their offer will be gratefully accepted. There will be the regular Garden Fete at Roseneath Farm late in August, and the next meeting will be held in September.

VESUVIUS NEWS . . . Miss Lois Stewart and Mrs. Laura Leonard, who have just returned from Australia where they attended the International Nurses Congress have been recent guests for a few days of Mrs. Frances Agnew at Tantramar, Vesuvius Bay, before returning to Vancouver on Monday . . . Miss Rosalind Kite of Jersey, Channel Islands, is spending a few weeks at Sunset Drive, Vesuvius Bay, where she is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Quinton. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Robinson have returned to North Vancouver after spending a few days at their summer home, Ves.

FULFORD HARBOUR TIDE TABLE

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10	0137	11.1	0906	2.7	1646	10.0	2051	8.6
11	0206	10.9	0941	2.1	1737	10.6	2153	9.0
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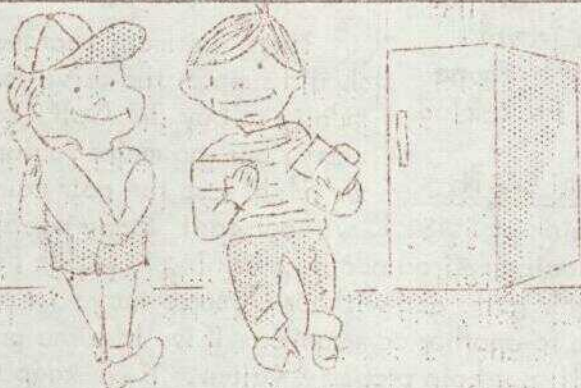
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Col. Des Crofton journeyed to Victoria last Tues. for the ceremonies in memory of D-Day, conducted by the Canadian Scottish Regiment. A sunset and retreat ceremony was held in memory of the many men lost by the Canadian Scottish. Commanding officer Lieut.-Col. Peter Ramsay laid a wreath on the Cenotaph on behalf of all ranks of the famous infantry unit. As part of the 7th Brigade, the Canadian Scottish, Regina Rifles and Winnipeg Rifles went ashore as assault forces, British on their left, Americans on their right. The first to hit beach on that fateful day, June 6, were the men of "c" Company, commanded by (then) Major Crofton, whose first target was Juno Beach, then the enemy position of Vaux, which they took.

HOSPITAL NEWS . . . 47 patients were under care during the month of May and three babies were born during the month. Patient Days for Adults & Children were 392 and Newborn 20. 25 Electrocardiograms and 1 BMR were carried out. (CONT'D on PAGE 8)

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(CONT'D from P.7 - Hospital News) 86 patients were X-rayed and 115 Films examined. The following made donations, which are gratefully acknowledged: - Mrs. Jean Bell, Mr. Reg. Price, Mr. Tom Mouat, Mr. M. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Cook, South S. S. Women's Institute, Mrs. DeMacedo, Mrs. A. Jones, Mrs. T. Gurney, Mr. Procter and Mr. W. Crawford.

The United Church W.A. held its regular monthly meeting in the Church Hall with the president, Mrs. R. Bidwell, in the chair. The members opened the meeting with the singing of the W. A. Hymn, followed by repeating the W.A. Watchword and The Lord's Prayer. Mrs. LeFevre took the Devotional Period, reading the 125th Psalm followed by an excerpt from the booklet "Vacation with God." The Mission Mite-Boxes were then offered and Mrs. H. Ashley gave an interesting talk on "Missions Abroad". Plans are underway for the Annual Strawberry Tea, to be held on the manse lawn on Thursday, July 6th, at 2:30 p.m. under the general convenership of Mrs. J.D. Reid. The meeting was adjourned and tea was served. There will be no meetings during the months of July and August.

Angela Brigden celebrated her 8th birthday May 31st with a party. 24 children attended and enjoyed the hotdogs, cake and ice cream.

A re-union of the surviving members of the R.C. M. P. who attended the coronation of King George V in 1911 will be held in Vancouver on June 22, the 50th anniversary of that occasion. Of the 80 R. C. M. P. members, who formed part of the Royal Escort for King George V, only 8 - 10 are expected to attend the re-union. Mr. L. M. "Pop" Lloyd-Walters of Fulford, who represented the Yukon at the coronation, will be attending the re-union.

Rev. G.H. Underhill and Mrs. Underhill are visiting their relatives in Ganges, their brother Ray Underhill and sister Mrs. Frank Frederickson. Rev. Underhill is assistant curate at St. Barnabas' Anglican Church in Calgary.

There are many reasons why we should support the drive for the community to buy the Golf Course property, but the major reason is that we might lose the golf course.

Think of S. S. I. without one! Many people, including retired people, planning to reside on S.S.I. like their golf, and without a course they will probably go to another community. If we lose the course, it will not help property values. If we keep the course and build it up into a fine community institution, property values will go up. The fund for buying the golf course has been steadily growing the past several weeks, but more help is needed. Call Mac Mouat at Ganges 3 or Ganges 168.

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