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Three to seek new term

Four vacancies will come up on the board of trustees of Gulf Islands School Board this fall.

Terms of Charles Baltzer and Ivan Mouat, Salt Spring; John Zacharias, Pender and Jim Ripley, Galiano will expire at the end of the year.

Charles Baltzer, past chairman and veteran of several boards of trustees, will seek a further term, he told Driftwood at the week end. John Zacharias will also seek a further term.

Ivan Mouat, chairman for the past year, has announced his intention of withdrawing from the board. He has served four years.

Jim Ripley will seek a second term in office from Galiano.

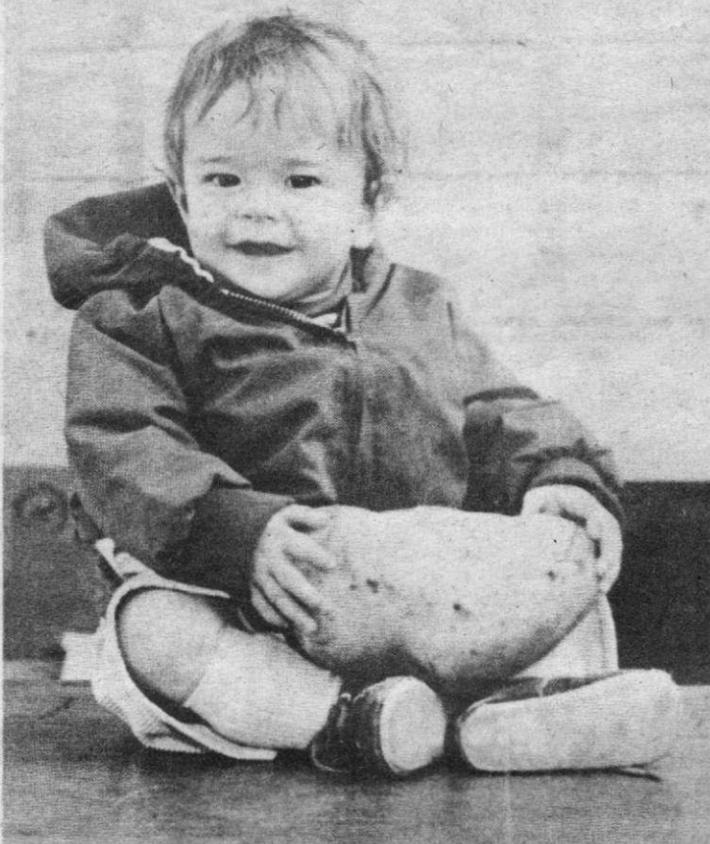
Cyclists swarm to island

Autumn weather has proved no deterrent to bicycle buffs exploring Salt Spring Island roads.

On September 27 and 28, there will be 25 students riding over from Vanier College to camp on the island.

Seventy-five boy scouts from Vancouver will be cycling around the island with their leaders on Oct. 4 and 5.

The Scouts will arrive at Long Harbour and cycle to Beaver Point for a biking/camping, two-day holiday.



She's fond of spuds

Eight-month-old Emma Yardley appears to be fond of potatoes, and the one she's holding ought to keep her going for a while. The giant spud was grown in the garden of Emma's parents, Sue and Jonathan

Yardley of Beaver Point, Salt Spring Island, and weighed in at slightly over 3 lbs. The reason for its size? It was grown over the septic field.

Tories name Taylor

A former member of parliament for Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands has been named a full-time organizer for B.C. by the Progressive Conservative Party of Canada.

Don Taylor, who lost his seat to New Democrat Jim Manly in the federal election February 18, will take up his duties immediately, according to a news release from the Conservative party.

The party's national director, Paul Curley, said the new position was "another important step in the party's thrust to strengthen the constituency operations across the country".

The 49-year-old Taylor has been actively involved with the Conservatives for the past eight years.

Cash prize donated for goat cheese contest

A California resident is making an effort to promote the production of goat cheese on Salt Spring Island.

Driftwood received a letter Tuesday from someone who visited the island in the spring. The writer noted that Salt Spring lamb is famous, and mentioned having eaten it in New York, "but Salt Spring goats don't seem to be as well known as they should be".

Enclosed with the letter was a cheque for \$100 to be awarded as first prize in a goat cheese contest.

"Please administer the contest as you see fit," concluded the writer, who signed the letter, "Author of many ballads and dirty limericks".

Makers of goat cheese are invited to contact Driftwood, in order to determine the number of people who would be eligible to participate in such a contest.

Islands Trust

Six to seek further terms as local trustees

Six local trustees in the Gulf Islands have already decided to seek re-election to the Islands Trust in the November 15 municipal elections.

Three are undecided and one is definitely not seeking a further term.

In the running are two general trustees, John Gaines, of Saturna and Gordon Wallace, of North Pender.

John Gaines will seek a further term as local trustee, but he has no plans to continue as a general trustee. The demands of the office are making inroads into his commercial activities. Gaines has served four years in that office. He was named by the provincial government for his first two years and then was elected for another two.

Gordon Wallace is happy to seek a further term in office and will be prepared to serve again as general trustee, he told Driftwood this week.

If John Rich seeks a further term as chairman, then Wallace will be happy to seek an additional term as vice-chairman. If Rich should elect to call it a term and withdraw from the chair, Wallace will be happy to seek election as chairman, he said.

He has become deeply involved in the function and the role of the Trust, he said, and he will be content to put to work the experience he has gained as local trustee and general trustee.

He feels that the chairman should be named from a former general trustee.

Also seeking a further term are Joan Noble, South Pender, if she is invited; Bill Norton, South Pender; Emile Leblanc, North Pender and Jim Money, Saturna.

Bill Duncan, of Galiano, is not interested in a further term. He has

served three years and he feels that he has made his contribution to the Trust.

Undecided are the Salt Spring Island trustees, David Lott and Bud Kreissl.

Sharing their undecidedness is John Mundie, of Mayne. He is uncommitted, he told Driftwood on Sunday.

Not yet reached are Joan Sprague, of Mayne and Ron Thompson, of Galiano.

Chairman endorses proposal

Proposal to use school buses for public transit fell on receptive ears at Ganges. Chairman of Gulf Islands School Board, Ivan Mouat told Driftwood this week that he would favour any transport system which might relieve the board of the responsibility for transportation.

He is retiring from the school board this year, noted Mouat, and will not be involved in any decision which might be required in respect of buses.

"I would like to see a contract worked out which would provide a better transportation system on Salt Spring Island," he told Driftwood.

His comments came on the heels of a suggestion in Driftwood recently that the buses might serve two functions if islanders are required to pay a transit levy.



New sign

"North End Road", announces the sign. Mary Williamson, of North End Road, Ganges, complained that motorists called on her to ascertain the name of the road. But they don't have to now!



One-owner automobile is renovated

This 1954 Studebaker, owned by Dennis Abolit, of Ganges, has been completely rebuilt by Don's Collision. Story of the aging car is on Page Thirty.

RECREATION REPORT

Questions raised

BY BEV UNGER
Parks and Recreation Commission

The Saturday morning drop-in at the market in Ganges still continues to prove popular. Some of the questions raised by residents bear response.

Question: Who are you guys who are coming up with this plan anyway?

Answer: The Parks and Recreation Commission consists of 10 volunteers elected yearly for one or two-year terms at an annual meeting held the last Monday in November. Because the commission operates under the jurisdiction of the Capital Regional District, the regional director is also a commissioner and can take part in all meetings and receives all minutes.

Mrs. Valcourt has been involved from time to time with the process of decision making regarding the proposed centre since her election to the post.

In addition, the school board appoints a representative from its board yearly to serve as liaison. Currently, Strick Aust holds this position. The Community Arts Council and other recreational groups often send observers. All meetings are open to the public, held regularly on the last Monday of the month in the elementary school library at 8 pm, and mid-month as parks and recreation matters demand. No salaries are paid to commissioners.

The only regular salaried employee is Bruce McFadyen, who most adequately attends to all phases of park and field work under Salt Spring Island Recreation Commission's umbrella: Centennial Park, Drummond Park, Fulford Hall, Portlock Park, Mahon Hall, Fulford Ball Field, Little League Field (on schoolgrounds), Peter Arnell Park, plus maintenance of lake swimming ramps, and hundreds of additional jobs that crop up. Summer employment of teenagers is paid by matching grants.

Question: Why aren't you following the recommendations of the five-year recreation study done by Professional Environmental Recreation Consultants Ltd. of Surrey in February, 1979?

Answer: The major recommendations we have changed relate to community responses to that study. They advised against a swimming pool. The history of

Olympic-size swimming pools is that they operate at a deficit.

Yet in a survey of recreational needs done by PERC, an overwhelming number of Salt Springers asked for a pool. For one year your recreation commissioners have listened to complaints on this master plan recommendation, and concluded that a smaller than Olympic-size pool could be operated more cheaply and still provide water safety teaching, family enjoyment and hydrotherapy, and be in keeping with our islands style and tempo.

We were also advised to scrap Mahon Hall. Again, the overwhelming feeling of the population was to keep it operative. This we intend to do, with the financial help of the Community Arts Council. While it is inadequate for proper seeing and hearing, it will be highly suitable for arts and crafts activities when the roof no longer leaks and the rotting boards are replaced.

Question: Why don't you put the new centre at Portlock Park?

Answer: No room. Every time a new activity area has opened up, usage has tripled and quadrupled. There aren't enough acres at Central to put up a building to accommodate both active and passive recreation.

Another reason is that Central is no longer. The population shift to the south puts the centre of the island south of Ganges.

Question: Why Mouat Park? Will you be destroying the green belt?

Answer: The land would cost the taxpayers nothing. Four acres out of 54 acres would be deeded to local parks and recreation from provincial parks and recreation. The rest of the park will remain green belt which few islanders even realize is here. Mouat Park is within walking distance of schools and would be easily accessible just south of Ganges core.

Come to the open meetings and ask your questions:

September 25, Activity Centre, Ganges, 8 pm.

October 2, Fulford Hall, 8 pm.

October 9, Fernwood School, 8 pm.

Or write to Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission, Box 197, Ganges.

Stop in at the Farmers' Market on Saturday mornings and look at the building plans.

Family Centre needs community interest to continue operating

Before the Family Centre at Salt Spring Island begins its new season, it will be doing a little soul-searching to decide if there is enough community interest to continue operating. And if there isn't, it's doubtful that it will continue.

The Family Centre is holding an open house on Thursday morning at 11 am to encourage people to see what it has to offer the community. If you've never had an opportunity to visit the comfortable room in the Community Centre, make a special effort to drop in. This is not a meeting to solicit volunteers, but merely a show of hands to find out if the services it has to offer, which you may not be aware of, are in demand.

The Family Centre has never asked for much. A small grant from the government has kept it alive for the past few years and the inevitable fund-raising has provided working capital to offer its programs. A working volunteer is asked to spend only four hours a month at the centre, answering the phone and keeping the room tidy. And yet the contribution to the community has been considerable.

MANY SERVICES

Primarily, the centre offers services in all areas of family living, from early pregnancy and childbirth classes to family planning and birth control advice. It boasts an extensive library with a comfortable atmosphere in which to enjoy it.

It has encouraged awareness in the changing attitudes toward childbirth procedures, helping with redecorating the maternity ward at Lady Minto Hospital, and offering physical support to labouring women.

Perhaps the most important function of the centre is its casual and informal approach in dealing with the every-day personal problems of the people who drop in, and in more serious cases by acting as a sort of liaison between troubled people and professional counsellors.

It's most famous contribution is probably the catering it provides every year for the Christmas Craft Fair held at the Community Centre.

Right now, attendance is what's needed, so show your support by

One woman's viewpoint

BY ALICE RICHARDS

attending or phoning with your opinions and suggestions.

TERRIFIC CONCERT

What promises to be a terrific children's concert will be seen at Victoria next week. Fred Penner will be appearing at the McPherson Playhouse on October 2 and 3, at 9.30 am, and I'm convinced it would be worthwhile attending.

Penner recently recorded his first album, *The Cat Came Back*, which I was immediately delighted with. He has a wonderful minstrel-like style that captivates youngsters.

He is more than a mere singer. Penner is a performer and from his album you can tell he relates directly to the children he so heartily enjoys. Penner has a charming personality that shines through his music. His album is full of sing-a-long songs and ballads and even musical adventure stories that are the material of dreams.

The concert is part of the CBC Festival Victoria and tickets can be purchased for a general admission price of \$2 from the McPherson Box Office, or phone 386-6121.

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To Be Frank by richards



OK, so I'm a sucker. I was one of the television fans who sat around for a week learning Japanese when Shogun was on. And I liked it. But won't somebody tell me what happened? I don't want to read the book. I know it all now. Except who was fighting who for what when the interpreter was ruthlessly torn from the screen. Shogun with subtitles would have been easy and comprehensible. Shogun without subtitles was easy if you speak Japanese.

Bryan Smith went to the Symphony on Sunday. So did Kay. It was tough going, at that! On Saturday Bryan decided to book a flight on the West Coast Air floatplane on Sunday. So he called the listed mainland number. The number he had reached was not in service, explained the charming lady's voice at the other end. That was no problem. He called the Sidney number. The number he had reached was not in service. So he called the operator. The number he had reached was the only number she had for the air service. So he called each one again and each was not in service. So he called the supervisor. She searched the records and could find no other number. So he called Air West and was told the service had no knowledge of other services. So he called Tom Toynbee, a regular patron of the little float planes. Tom was not at home. So he called Richards who could offer no advice. So they went by ferry.

It's a funny thing that an organized worker has a God-given right to a prosperous salary, whereas the fellow in business for himself has no particular right to earn a living, at all, let alone a decent wage.

And thinking of wages, and who isn't, think of the recent brewers' offer and the recent physicians' plea. The fellow who puts the beer in the bottle will soon be better paid than the fellow who treats the user after he's drunk too much of it. A society that listens sympathetically to the demands of the drayman for an increase in pay and resents the doctor for wanting the same has patronized the former too often and is in urgent need of the services of the latter.

Former Salt Spring minister, Ray Horsefield, writes from his home in Sidney to keep me au fait with English as she ain't. He sent me a clipping from the "Green and White", magazine of the Alumni Association of the University of Saskatchewan. It is *Language Tips for Literate Alumni*. It is, of course, vital to any person seeking to communicate in the more widespread of the nation's two official languages. Here is the message:

- First and foremost, brook no delay in cutting out cliches and your writing should improve by leaps and bounds.
- In any form of writing one should pay close attention to punctuation otherwise the reader will have to reread for the sense.
- But, don't use, commas, Capitals, semicolons; "quotation marks", or dashes — which are not necessary.
- If you interface with bureaucratise when operationalizing your writing, you will not impact your reader or liaise with him at any point in time.
- In my opinion, a writer when he is writing something, should not get accustomed to the habit of making use of too many redundant, unnecessary words that he does not actually need in order to put his message across to the reader.
- Just between you and I, case is important.
- Make sure that every pronoun you use agrees with their antecedent.
- The repetition of a word is usually not effective repetition.
- There is no excuse for misspelling any word.
- As for sentence fragments.

To which my literary friend ventures to append his own observations:

As far as cliches - I, personally, consider that at this point in time it behooves each and every one of us, irregardless of race, colour or creed, to take every necessary step to see that the beauty of the English language is not affected. This is indubitable.

And that, I am convinced, makes two of we!

Fellow came in from Ottawa this week and explained how much he liked Salt Spring Island where waitresses smiled while taking an order. Ottawa is nothing like that, he assured me.

Grace Wright is a mere youngster who was writing for a newspaper before a lot of us could read one. She sent this excerpt from Reader's Digest:

A petroleum company handed out a price list to customers who complained about paying a dollar for gas. And here is the list.

You pay \$1.29 a gallon for distilled water; \$3.50 a gallon for soft drinks, also mostly water; \$4 a gallon for rubbing alcohol; \$5.78 a gallon for Perrier water; \$11 a gallon for mouthwash; \$16 a gallon for nail polish remover; \$28 a gallon for name-brand shampoo and \$64 a gallon for name-brand cough syrup.

It was originally from Gary Dunford, in the Toronto Sun.

Churchwomen hear report on Artcraft show in Mahon Hall

BY OLIVE MOUAT

It was the smallest meeting in years. More than half the members of Mizpah were off the Island, in Europe, in Duncan, or somewhere in between.

Three others were kept away by illness. When the meeting was called to order by president, Mrs. Lois Bushell, only 12 members answered the roll as Secretary, Miss Betty McGinnes, called their names.

The Devotional Period was led by Mrs. Betty Lockhead, her theme "We are not alone in trouble." The gifts of the Least Coin were accompanied by prayers for the First Ministers Conference, which was in session.

Money matters always raise discussion. It was decided, after quite a little thought, to send the United Church share of the proceeds from the Tea for World Development to the Missionary and Service Fund with the direction that it can be used for Cambodian relief.

HELP IN HONG KONG

Still speaking of money, treasurer, Mrs. Bunty McNally, sees that Mizpah's share of the cost of sponsoring a little boy in Hong Kong is paid promptly.

Sunshine convener, Mrs. Gladys Bidwell, reported that she had sent 36 cards or notes in June, 20 in July, and 18 in August. Letters of thanks were circulated for members to read.

A letter from the Community Arts Council inspired considerable interest. Arrangements had been good, it was agreed; and this sale was a pleasant and successful part of the Salt Spring Island summer scene.

Comments of buyers brought a few chuckles. One group snorted that prices were too high, while the following one commented on the bargains, saying that they were buying their Christmas gifts while they could obtain such delightful articles so reasonably.

"What a wonderful assortment," murmured an interested visitor; "did you make everything yourself?" "What talented people must live here!" was a common remark. "Let's buy this shawl to take back to Grandma - we're visiting from England, you know." "Beautiful, just beautiful!" "Ugh! what gosh-awful colours!" Almost everyone in the U.C.W. had had a turn staying at the hall and almost everyone had a story to tell.

BAZAAR DATE

Very important to Mizpah members is the date of the Christmas bazaar. This year the day chosen is November 8, a Saturday.

Sales in the upstairs hall, where home cooking is offered, are scheduled to begin at 1:45. That will

allow buyers to hurry with their parcels to their cars and still be back in time for the opening of the sales downstairs at 2 pm.

In preparation for this event; work meetings are being held

every week and a lot is being accomplished.

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A gallant fighter

When Terry Fox, C.C., was stricken during the course of a gallant effort to draw attention to the need for research into cancer, the nation and even the continent was drawn into a nationwide acclamation of a bid that failed so tragically.

From every part of the country came a spontaneous and generous recognition of the effort he had made before he was compelled to withdraw.

But the response was marred by the campaign which followed him. It was reported from coast to coast that the city of Montreal had been adamant in its refusal to permit a fund drive. The city fathers were ridiculed and harshly criticized.

The city of Montreal may merit all the venomous criticism that was directed towards the St. Lawrence. But the action of the critics added nothing to the campaign.

The warmth, the affection, even, of the country towards a man who met disaster with a smile was not reflected in the inference that those who did not pay up were less than the rest of the nation.

The national emotion which arose from Terry Fox's ordeal was a charitable gesture in the true sense of the word.

The suggestion that some might be blackmailed into supporting it simply detracts from the story of a brave Canadian.

Don't look now . . .

It was the practice, among women in past years, to hide the face behind an apron in order to blush unseen. An apron presented to the world was preferable to an embarrassed face.

Every occidental is amused with the delightful sense of superiority when he learns that the oriental will go to considerable trouble to avoid losing face, or causing another to do so.

Yet the routine is readily learned. Here, in the west; indeed, in the west in a national and a terrestrial sense, we have learned to throw up a convenient apron every time we are embarrassed.

Mind you, we're not easily embarrassed! It takes a big thing to embarrass most of us. Like a nuclear explosion, perhaps.

The embarrassed province has imposed a moratorium on digging for uranium, the stuff of which nuclear fissions and fusions are made. The province had no reason to be embarrassed when it comes to nuclear energy. Up to now, British Columbia hasn't needed it.

The provincial distaste for nuclear energy was clearly evident when many citizens undertook a campaign opposing plans of the United States to erect a nuclear generator unpleasantly close to British Columbia's boundaries.

The history of recent years has shown the lack of support here for nuclear power.

There are many in the province who treat of nuclear power much as the excessively elite grammarian is said to view split infinitives. He does not hold with them, even when he doesn't know what they are.

But a split infinitive is a threat to the purity of his sentence and a split atom is a mysterious force which may jeopardize his whole existence. And it may not.

British Columbia is fearful of the question mark.

One day we must all face up to the question, very frankly and very honestly. We must examine the real picture of nuclear energy. We must analyze the possible hazard to Canadians of the storage of nuclear weapons on our soil.

But the question is very serious and it embarrasses all of us. Hence our aprons. Or do you call them blinkers?



Letters to the Editor

Chairman's performance compared

Sir,

Right after hearing this morning's CJVI radio commentary by Bob Wright on the Capital Regional Board and its "ring-master" chairman Jim Campbell, I happened to read the following quote which appeared in a recent magazine article.

Among other things the article described a lady who had been mayor of her town for several years and is now vice-chairman of her county board of supervisors. She said, "I'm old-fashioned enough to think that courtesy, a willingness to listen and a degree of flexibility is the way to go. I can be steadfast, but in my own way."

I could not help but compare this three-point description, by way of contrast, with all that I read and hear about the performance of the current chairman of the C.R.B.

R.H. TALLMAN,
Pender Island,
September 12, 1980.

They will think of last 40 years as most wasteful of all

Sir,

The fuel crisis has been with us for some time. The first time that I can remember there being one was when Rommel was in the desert and his energy crisis was caused mainly by the Royal Airforce that constantly harassed the shipping in the Mediterranean and this reduced the mobility of his armour that had come so close to winning and set the stage for his eventual defeat.

Tanks used up lots of fuel. The big ones, like the Churchill, Sherman or Tiger, were driven by more than one gasoline engine and didn't get many miles to the gallon, or was it gallon to the mile? They were not designed for fuel economy.

The invasion of Normandy could not have been accomplished without a vast build up of fuel supplies.

They should rank so high!

Sir,

I would like to express my appreciation of the excellent work being carried out, very quietly and perhaps a little too unobtrusively, by the Inter-Island Performing Arts Co-operation Society (I-IPACS).

Their latest venture is to be especially recommended, I think, and many of us "family folk" will support their reinstatement of the once popular Coffee Houses.

It has always irked me, for instance, that most of our local musical talent can only be heard in one of the pubs, which I do not happen to frequent, and which, in any case, are off limits to my children.

I understand that this small and struggling group is applying for funds from the Provincial Lottery. I hope they will be more successful than the Community Society has been so far, and that they will rank at least as high on the list of priorities as the Golf Club!

Any effort at co-operation rather than competition has my support and I would hope the community at large will endorse all efforts of

Yet by today's fuel requirements these were only small.

When many families only own three cars and a power boat, the end must be in sight for fuel reserves.

I was telling my young son the other day that things are changing all the time. They have changed plenty since I was a lad and there may come a time when cars are out of date because there is no longer gasoline to run them.

This may be easier for kids to accept than grownups. I'm sure the next generation will manage somehow but they will think of the last 40 years as the most wasteful of all.

GEOFF HOWLAND,
Ganges
September, 1980

I-IPACS by attending their events, which are published in Driftwood.

MARY C. WILLIAMSON,
R.R. 1, Ganges,
September 22, 1980.

P. S. Do not underestimate the power of the press! A couple of weeks after the story on anonymous North End Road, a sign appeared! Who said the Highways Department listens only to God?

Anarchist should go

Sir,

Everyone is entitled to his opinion and I am an avid champion of this tenet. So how come we have to be subjected to a weekly column of critical comment by a "writer" under the cowardly pseudonym "The Anarchist" when the editor insists, and I heartily applaud, that all letters must be signed with name and address.

The Anarchist recently belittled Adrian Raeside's cartoon about Terry Fox. Adrian gave us a message that, if nothing else, Canada can be united when the chips are down (a la Britain World War II) and this is as important as the money all Canadians have given in support of the effort of this brave and courageous lad.

The Anarchist goes on to say (and I quote), "the probable last chapter of the life of Terry Fox". What medical status has this "writer" to assume the prognosis of Terry's imminent departure from this earth? Did the Anarchist read the recent column in the *Times-Colonist* by a professional journalist, namely Gorde Hunter, who had nothing but praise for the ability and outstanding talent of Adrian Raeside.

I think the Anarchist should have the courage of his convictions and sign his comments. He currently writes he is a Canadian first and British Columbian last. He earns his living in B.C. Enough said. Go East whoever you are!

BRYAN SMITH,
R.R.1, Ganges,
September 20, 1980.

Ed. Note: The Anarchist's reply: Read the column again.

Society seeks support from community

Sir,
The Victoria Branch of the B.C. S.P.C.A. is starting its drive for 1981 memberships. The Society is a non-profit organization registered under the Societies Act of the Province of British Columbia. The mission of the Society is the prevention of cruelty to animals and the Provincial Government has given it authority to act under Chapter 52, of the Provincial Code, Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act.

The Society depends upon memberships, donations and legacies from concerned citizens of the community in order to provide a seven-day-a-week, 24-hours-a-day, service to the area for the care of injured, lost, strayed or abandoned animals. It investigates reported acts of cruelty and can seize animals not being cared for properly.

The organization was initially formed to monitor cruelty to animals. This mission has expanded through the years and the Society is now called upon to look after the welfare of animals in general. This includes care of lost animals and the effort to get them back to their owners or to adopt them out to new owners if the old can't be found or don't bother to claim. Unfortunately the remainder must be humanely euthanized. This has evolved to be an expensive community service, expected by the public, and often assumed to be part of municipal government. The Society does contract with municipalities to do pound work in order to have a humane pound, but that money only provides for animal control through execution of by-laws.

Animal control and disposal would not be an expense to the community if there were responsible pet owners. The Society has

undertaken the task of educating the public in these responsibilities and informing people on spaying and neutering to keep animal populations down. Continual efforts are made to introduce animal responsibility at all levels especially with children through a Junior S.P.C.A club and through the local schools. These programs take money as well as volunteers.

The Society would appreciate it if you could let your public know of the services available to them through the S.P.C.A. and to ask that they support the Victoria Branch with memberships, donations and legacies.

JOSEPH F. HEALD,
Secretary-Manager
September 16, 1980

Tension could be reduced by removal of nuclear missiles

Sir,
Exactly one month ago, more than 700 concerned British Columbians demonstrated at the missile base at Comox, to commemorate Nagasaki Day, the 35th anniversary of the dropping of the Atom Bomb on that city, and to urge the removal of the missiles. Mr. Trudeau pledged to remove Mr. McKinnon stated, for the Conservative government, that they would be removed in 1983. In July Mr. Trudeau confirmed that they would be removed in 1983.

Since both major parties agreed on the removal of the missiles, obviously they do not consider them essential to our society. We wanted to ask them, at the rally, why they should not be removed immediately, but representatives of the Liberal and Conservative parties did not respond to invitations to speak. Neither did the New Democratic Party. We would like to know what their policy is on the missiles and on nuclear arms in general.

The removal of the missiles was to be the beginning of a major

disarmament effort on the part of the government, and as such is a symbol of the sincerity of their intentions. The Throne Speech announced that an Ambassador for Disarmament would be appointed, but so far none has been named. While we wait, the tense international situation threatens us all. A significant move in the direction of disarmament, by our government, might have world-wide effects in reducing the tension.

We suggest that readers write to their Members of Parliament, whether members of the Government or Opposition Parties, as we have done, urging them to raise this matter in the House of Commons and in the External Affairs Committee at the earliest opportunity. We do not want to have the missiles still there on November 9, when we commemorated the first anniversary of the false alert, in 1979, which might have triggered World War III.

EDITH ADAMSON,
For the Victoria Coalition
for Disarmament
Victoria, B.C.
September 9, 1980



Tony Richards

I WAS SOMEWHAT surprised this week that Ganges RCMP did not receive a report that someone had been brutally murdered in the vicinity of Booth Canal Road Monday morning. If anyone did happen to hear the cries of anguish (they must have carried clear across the canal and up to the golf course), he can rest assured, because it was only a couple of would-be pig farmers sending their stock off to market.

Not that it was the farmers themselves who were screaming, although they came damn close.

When pigs are enclosed within an electric fence and there is no solid enclosure against which one might herd them, they are awfully difficult to move around, especially into the back of a pick-up truck. We discovered that after the first three hours.

By that time we got wise and changed tactics. By carefully placing a noose around a bucket of feed, we were able to snare our hapless victims and drag them into the truck.

But it wasn't until three pigs were in with one to go that our problems really began. There was no way that last porker was going to allow us to get a rope on him.

After several unsuccessful tries (during which time I considered calling teacher Mike Byron to see if his agriculture students wanted some experience loading pigs), I went as far as to call Ganges veterinarian Claus Andress to see about tranquilizing the animal.

After he advised against it, we tried our last trick.

If you ever have trouble catching a pig, never forget the old Indian loop trick.

We draped the rope, tied in a noose, over a couple of branches and slowly herded the recalcitrant swine through the loop. Once he was half-way through, the rope was pulled tight and we

had him.

Finally, to cap everything off, the electric fence quit working the same day. It's almost as if it had been designed to do so when the pigs were ready for slaughtering. If that's built-in obsolescence, it's the most clever I've seen.

I HAVEN'T HEARD the two new albums made by a couple of local musicians, but I will go as far as to take issue with a music columnist who writes in a daily newspaper circulated here.

The column is entitled Rock Scene, and its writer says of new records by Valdy and Shari Ulrich that they "lack direction". If you're fond of listening to music, then try tuning into a rock music station. The music has direction alright: it's going backwards.

And one last comment (the last because I shall listen to both records before saying anything else): I've never heard Valdy described as a rock musician.

WHILE WE'RE ON the subject, a new local band was heard at the Harbour House a couple of weeks back. I suppose you could say their direction is backwards too, but only because most of their music dates back quite a few years.

There is potential with this new group, called Toast and Jam. I believe, though the name may have since been changed. According to unofficial sources, none of its members is over the age of 19.

With some polish and some practice, they could do well.

A group that has been polishing and practising is Archipelago, which was at the same hotel last weekend. Bands come and go on the island but nevertheless, they generally provide some excellent entertainment.

The Anarchist

The Third Little Pig

... built his house of Bcries because his daddy had told him that was a Capital thing to do, but then he had all kinds of problems.

First there was dirt in the Poole, then he found out that the Kaiser had tapped his phone, and worst of all, his family said that the house of Bcrie stank and he had better do something about it. The third little pig said, "Like Hell-i-will, you live here, you fix it."

Which is a crummy fable, and even a lousy pun, but a fairly safe estimate of the basic inadequacy of Bennett's response to the problem, a problem which has two entirely separate dimensions.

The first question is the decision to acquire Kaiser; it is in every respect a logical, and probably necessary acquisition. At the very least there would be a lot of crying if the Alberta octopus attached a roving tentacle to it. Let us even accept that the price was in keeping with the requirements of a takeover bid.

The second question is the effect of the stupidity or wilful

ignorance of the rules of the game which has placed the entire directorate in question. They should, in the interest of the shareholders, resign because that is the best way to clear the future conduct of the negotiations of the corporation from the appearance of prejudice. If the directors do not resign on principle, then Bennett could, and should indicate that the government is prepared to move non-confidence; in other words he has the mechanism and the responsibility to prevent the matter becoming another shoddy replay of the Gracie's Finger Fiddle.

But Bennett will assume his well practised role of Pontius Pilate, and call upon everyone else to solve the problem because just as he does not understand the necessity of the resignation on principle of the directors of BCRIC, he is incapable of accepting the responsibility of defending public trust in a public institution.

But then the nursery rhyme never said that the third little pig was particularly big.

British car numbers again

Sir,

As a Brit visiting Gulf Islands I was most interested in the paragraph in To Be Frank in the issue of Driftwood for September 17 and I wondered if the following comments might enable your readers to appreciate the situation.

Car registration numbers are issued by the County Authority for the County in which the car is purchased and usually the registration letters followed by no. 1, go to a senior person in that County.

This indicates that, generally, a number plate with "1" is on a car belonging to a person of some importance.

The craze to have "special" numbers started after the war of 1939-1945 and increased to such an extent that the Registration Authorities eventually issued an instruction that registration numbers would not be transferred from one car to another unless the person requesting the transfer had owned and used the car for not less than 12 months previously.

The most exclusive number, A1 belongs to one of the pioneers of the motor industry.

When it became necessary to have two letters in front of the number one of the most prestigious was R.R.1 which is now the property of Rolls Royce.

The introduction of three letters

before the number extended the possible combinations the best known belonging to an M.P. called Nabarro. He had cars numbered NAB 1 to NAB 7.

Another interesting number can be seen in the car of one of the staff of British Broadcasting, RADIO.

There is also a Rolls Royce, number THE 1.

When the combination of three letters was exhausted a letter was added after the number which introduced some very interesting combinations, one of the most useful being BPOIL.

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Islanders reminded of coffee house

Sir,

I would like to remind islanders of the new coffeehouse series to be presented by the Inter-Island Performing Arts Co-operation Society, starting this Sunday. These bi-weekly events will provide a unique opportunity to experience top-notch local and international entertainers in an intimate and casual atmosphere.

Non-alcoholic refreshments and snacks will be served in St. George's Hall, and many of the performances planned will be enjoyable for kids as well as adults. I hope the community supports this service.

RALPH D. MILLER,
Fulford Harbour,
September 22, 1980.

Trudeau's personal ambition should take second place

The constitutional conference of federal and provincial governments has not agreed on any of the major items needed in a new Canadian constitution. According to newspaper reports, the stiff-necked attitude of Premier Bennett helped ensure that the talks would fail. The stage is now set for Trudeau to act on his own in bringing the constitution home from Great Britain.

Polls have said that 78% of Canadians agreed with him that the constitution should be patriated. Of course. All of us feel that Canada should be in charge of its own constitution. We don't want Great Britain looking after this any more than we want the United States to control our economy.

We want to bring the constitution home, but we have trouble deciding what to do with it when we get it here. Our constitution needs to be brought up to date, but how do we do so? Should the federal government be able to make changes on its own? Or should it require consent of a majority of provinces? Or all of the provinces?

NOT THAT EASY

Trudeau's \$6 million ad campaign wants us to believe that bringing the constitution home is as easy as a Canada goose flying

Ottawa report

BY JIM MANLY, MP

into a TV sunset. But it's not.

If Trudeau acts on his own, using the power of his eastern majority, he will be dividing the country even more than it already is. Canada is a federation of provinces not a unitary state. The rights of the provinces must be considered.

Native people also have stated their opposition to bringing the constitution home before they have some guarantee of their rights. Indians have always looked to the British monarch as the ultimate protector of these rights and they claim that Great Britain should not patriate the Canadian constitution until those rights are protected.

In the 60's when Rhodesia wanted independence, Great Britain would not grant it until the rights of the black majority were recognized and protected. In the same way, some Labour M.P.'s have said that they will hold up any bill to patriate Canada's constitution until native rights in Canada

are recognized and protected. I agree with them.

SINCERE BUT STUBBORN

The tragedy of it all is the fact that Trudeau is so sincere in his desire for Canada to have its own constitution. But in his sincerity he is stubborn, narrow-minded and pig-headed. He is too anxious to earn his place in history as the man who brought home our constitution. And he is impatient. He wants to get the job done and get back to private life.

In place of acting on his own, Trudeau should commence a new series of negotiations, involving not only the provinces, but also native groups, women's groups and other segments of society. Together, without the pressure of Trudeau's personal timetable, they might come up with a workable proposal.

Perhaps when the prime minister meets with his Liberal caucus and cabinet this week, some of his colleagues will make him see reason. He must recognize that his personal ambition, and his personal timetable, should take second place to the good of the nation.

If not, it looks as though parliament and the country as a whole will be in for a very rough time in the coming months.

Police check damage

The Salt Spring Golf and Country Club building was vandalized last weekend when a window was broken.

A thermopane window at the back of the club house was smashed by a rock between 10 pm, September 20 and 9 am, September 21.

RCMP have no suspects.

Wilful damage is being investigated by RCMP at Ganges following a window-breaking incident at 196 Mobrae.

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There's been much discussion about nature of resurrection

BY MARY C. WILLIAMSON

The greatest sermon I ever heard began with the dramatic announcement: "Easter has been cancelled this year. We have just received proof that Jesus Christ did not rise from the dead!"

The remainder of the sermon was a catalogue of the myriad ways in which the world had changed because of the resurrection, and the probability of what would happen if it were positively disproved.

Every now and then a best-seller is written on much the same theme. "The Q Document" and "Act of God" are two which come to mind. Charles Templeton's "Act of God" describes an archeologist finding the skeleton of Jesus along with an ancient manuscript which establishes its identity. The find is smuggled to the U.S., where the finder seeks haven with the Roman Catholic Cardinal of New York, an old friend!

The Cardinal, fearful of the impact of this news on the Church at large, allows his diabetic friend to die, when an injection would have saved him. In fact, he planned to kill him, but at the last minute couldn't go through with it. However, his hesitation proved fatal to the ailing archeologist.

It's a good story, with credible and mostly sympathetic characters. But I wonder about the main theme.

MIGHT HELP

There has been so much discussion about the nature of the resurrection that I hope a little more won't hurt, even if it comes no nearer to solving the mystery.

When I was a child I was taught it was the physical body of Christ which came out of the tomb, and that physical body was later "taken up into the clouds". That fitted in with what I was taught about

More Food for Thought

BY MARY C. WILLIAMSON

Heaven being "up there".

Much later I was told that was in error. Jesus' physical body emerged from the tomb, alright, but it was his spiritual body which rose into the clouds.

Later still, I was told it was neither one nor the other! And I was told to read St. Paul. Paul says, in his inimitable fashion:

"The body is sown in dissolution; it is raised in immortality. It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power. It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body... and later: "But I make this statement, brothers, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, neither does the perishable inherit the imperishable. Take notice; I am telling you a secret. We shall not all die but we shall all be changed. For this perishable must put on imperishability and this mortal must put on immortality. And when this perishable has put on imperishability and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall the written word be fulfilled, "Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting?"

is that he did not believe the resurrected body of Jesus was the same as the physical body which suffered and died on the cross.

So what happened to that physical body? Does it matter? It didn't matter to the renaissance artist who painted "St. Jerome with the skull of Our Lord".

John Sherrill set out to write a book, disproving the doctrine of the resurrection. He went to Israel, examined the locations and the evidence, such as it is, and came to the inescapable conclusion that it happened!

It doesn't matter where the physical body went. What matters is that the disciples, in a "twinkling of an eye" were transformed from beaten, frightened men and women, hiding behind locked doors, into fearless preachers of the Good News: men and women who went to ugly deaths singing the praises of their risen Saviour.

WE MESSSED IT UP!
We've certainly messed things up pretty well since then. But think what it would have been like if Jesus had never lived, died and risen from the dead. Evil would have reigned unchecked. Human life without dignity would have been acceptable, and "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth" would have remained the height of enlightenment.

And I would not be able to close with another quote from Paul: "I have believed; therefore have I spoken."

That's clear enough, isn't it?

HE DIDN'T BELIEVE IT!

Poor old Paul, his "clarifications" really only lead deeper into the morass! But what is clear to me

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Seven new teachers join staff at Ganges school

Seven new teachers have joined the staff at Salt Spring Elementary School this month.

Teaching music at both Salt Spring and Fernwood Schools is David Stacey, who served slightly more than one term as a trustee in the Gulf Islands School District.

Stacey has lived on the island for seven years, during which time he has operated a resort and piloted a water taxi. He came here from Campbell River and has about 15 years of teaching experience.

When he's not teaching music, he's playing it. He is a member of the Loyal Central Salt Spring Temperance and Dixieland Jazz Ensemble.

Oscar Riley is one of two new teachers in the family grouping, or alternative, class. He is a newcomer to Salt Spring Island and explains that both the climate and the job brought him here.

He was in Prince George before moving, where he taught in a special boys' school.

MEET THEIR NEEDS MORE

A teacher for 10 years, Riley says of alternative education programs that "the more alternatives we have, the more we'll be able to meet the needs of the kids".

He shares the duties of teaching the family grouping class with Richard Magnusson, a resident of Salt Spring for the past three years.

He has taken over the position held last year by his wife, Debbie. While she was teaching, he was working as a child care worker with the community society.

Magnusson likes the flexibility and the different age groups found in the family grouping class. He works mainly with the primary level students while Oscar Riley works with the intermediates.

The new teacher enjoys photography, hiking and fishing.

ISLAND BROUGHT HIM

John Beardsell, who has been teaching for 20 years, makes it quite clear that it was Salt Spring Island and not the job which brought him here from Osoyoos, where he had lived for 11 years.

Beardsell's class at Salt Spring Elementary is the grade 2-3 split.

His interests include fishing, woodworking and music. The latter has led him to take part, on stage, in some musical productions.

Arlene Sadler has been teaching for many years but only recently did she obtain her B.C. certification from the University of Victoria.

A Salt Spring resident for the past three years, Sadler is teaching primary French and the afternoon kindergarten class. She had been teaching French here before but only on a temporary basis.

A French-Canadian by birth, Sadler has taught French in adult education courses, biology and has worked as a computer program-

mer, among other things. She enjoys gardening, sewing and singing.

THEY JUMPED

When the opportunity arose to move to Salt Spring Island, "we jumped", says Bob Brownsword, who teaches the grade 3-4 split class. A teacher for 10 years and a graduate in physical education,

Brownsword comes to the island from Tsawwassen.

He is not a newcomer to the Gulf Islands, in that he's had a place at Mayne Island for 10 years. He is looking forward to organizing extra-curricular activities such as a square dance club and a cross country club. He is an avid jogger and gardener.

"I'm not new around here," insisted Bev Byron before being interviewed last week. And she isn't, after having been a substitute teacher here for the past 19 years, which is how long she has lived on Salt Spring.

Most graduates of the local high school have been taught either by

Bev Byron or her husband Mike.

She is teaching the grade 5-6 split class on a half-time basis, and when she's not doing that she's farming or gardening.

In her 19 years of substitute teaching she has taught all grades in both the high school and the elementary school.



RICHARD MAGNUSSON



JOHN BEARDSSELL



BEV BYRON



BOB BROWNSWORD



ARLENE SADLER

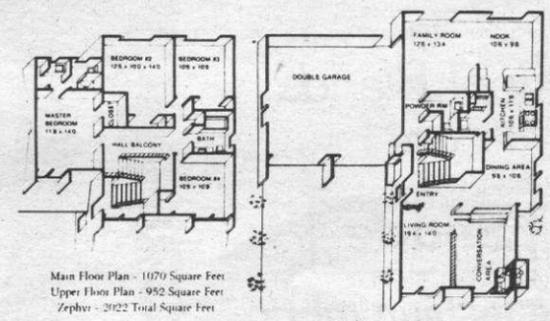


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Tournament sees sharp switch as many watch

The last event of the tennis season took place last weekend, as 28 thankful-for-the-weather players turned out for the Mixed Doubles Championship tournament.

It was probably this event which fostered the greatest amount of interest, both among players and spectators, and the matches played reflected the keen competition and high standards of play.

Perhaps the biggest surprise of this year's championships was the defeat by Peggy Stacey and David Reid of one of the top rated pairs, Jennifer Wiebe and Pat Lee in the second round of play.

The defeated pair, however, went on to reach the consolation finals, only to be beaten by Mollie Houston and Alan Best in a tight final game.

In the main event, it was no surprise to find the same Stacey-Reid pair battling Lee Lloyd and Don Hartwig in the semi-finals.

This was a closely fought match, with Stacey and Reid coming out on top with a 7-5, 6-3 win.

The other semi-finalists were Wendy Smith and Norman Best, who last won this event in 1977, and Roz Truelove and Ian Thomson.

This was another hard-fought match of three sets, lasting two hours. The Smith-Best team, with their steady, accurate play, won 7-5, 6-7, 6-2, and went on to win the Mixed Doubles Trophy by defeating Stacey and Reid 6-2, 6-3.

Anyone for Tennis?

BY IAN THOMSON

SATISFACTORY SYSTEM

Judging by the players' comments, it would appear that the system used for this year's championships is the most satisfactory that has been used so far. In fact some say it has been the best since the event was started six years ago.

Certainly it was not plagued, as in previous years, by the many postponements due to poor weather.

The smooth running of the events is also due in no small way to the untiring efforts of a few players who, as well as playing, gave their time freely to help organize, umpire and call lines.

This may be the last official playing event of the season, but this column will appear from time to time with further tennis news.

Watch for details of the Tennis Association's annual meeting on Oct. 18, and also the third annual Boxing Day tournament; the date of which hardly needs announcement!



Wendy Smith and Norman Best were among semi-finalists at last weekend's tennis championships at

Portlock Park, Salt Spring Island. When photo was taken, they were

playing against Alan Best and Molly Houston.

Mysteries of silk screen are explained to painters

Recent classes in silkscreening, conducted by Marie Outram, were the beginning of an active fall program for the Salt Spring Painters' Guild.

This two-part session in the basics of screen printing brought another art medium into focus for group members who experienced, many for the first time, the fun and skill of reproducing designs with ink and screen.

Marie Outram and her husband, Don, recently spent two years in Fiji, where Don taught marine biology. They then retired to Nanaimo, but boredom quickly had them decide on their move to Salt Spring.

Now in semi-retirement, Don is working as a free-lance marine consultant and operates his hobby silkscreen business.

Following Marie's silkscreen course, Salt Spring Painters are looking forward to an October 8 class in "Realism to Abstraction" given by Jack Avison.

October also brings additional programs with Federation of Canadian Artists (Mainland Chapter) president Bruce Stapleton teaching a two-day October 24 and 31 demonstration workshop in figure drawing.

To add to the additional program, a water colour workshop will be held November 15 and 16, taught by F.C.A. artist Alan Edwards.

Complimenting the weekly Wednesday program, Larry Holbrook will give composition instruction November 19, and November 26 will bring acrylic painting with Ruth Borsman to guide guild members.

Painters take their own lunches to all Wednesday sessions which run from 10:30 am to 2 pm in Mahon Hall, or to outdoor sketching locations, or... it's a work and social day for all!

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Need a dent-puller?

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BY FRANK RICHARDS

Want to pull a few dents?
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There's nothing easier than pulling the dents with a dent-puller. And most drivers never even knew there was one.

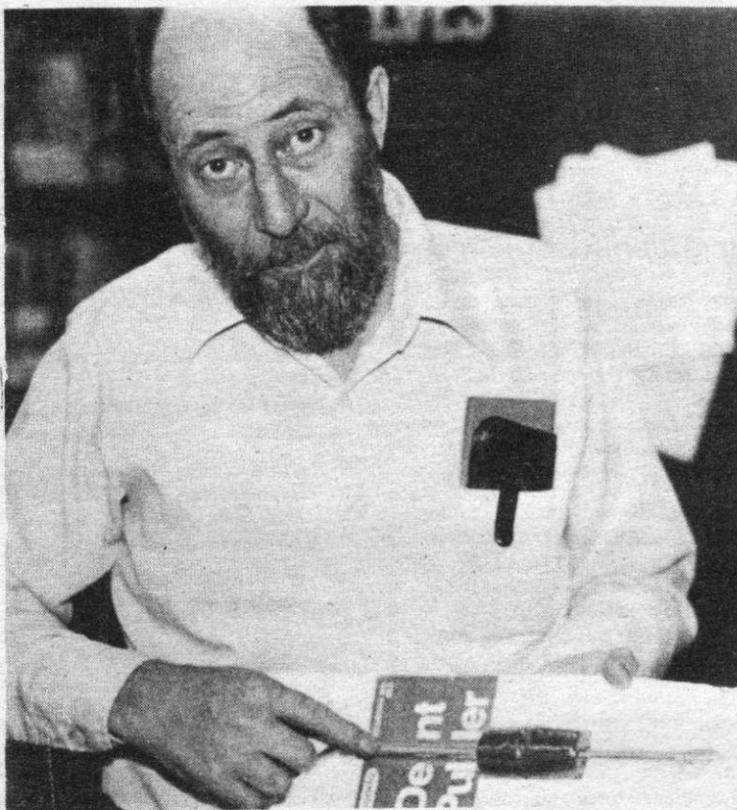
Or what about an oil filter wrench? It's the kind of thing every man should have in the garage. If he knows what an oil filter looks like. And they must be popular because Harry Messam can sell you about three different models.

Harry's the man with the dent-puller, as well.

And it's so simple. If some person or persons unknown have been pushing dents in your favourite gas buggy, you must make a hole in the centre of the dent. And you screw in the sharp end of the puller. They you slide the heavy weight on the puller up the shaft. Each time the weight slams against the stop it helps pull out the dent.

Dent gone, you patch the hole and paint it. The car's as good as new.

Mind you, it isn't only for dents that Messam presides over his parts.



Harry Messam makes his point with new gadget.

AND GADGETS

Salt Spring Automotive Parts, on McPhillips Ave., in Ganges, caters to the car owner. And they cater to the garages, as well. It's a wholesale and retail store, offering lubricants, accessories and supplies. And all kinds of gadgets.

Do you have to be a car buff? Harry Messam explained that he

was a car buff, but you don't have to be to buy accessories.

If the idea of buying car accessories at an accessory store is a new thought for the islands, so is the store manager.

Messam was in the navy; the Royal Navy. When war was waging

he volunteered for the navy. Where else would you expect a recruit to look when he lives in Portsmouth? Navy or Fleet Air Arm? That was the recruiting sergeant's question 40 years ago. Navy, said Messam promptly. He was in the Fleet Air Arm as a wireless-radio electrician, before he knew it. He served as a wireless radio electrician and he instructed others in the gentle art of electrifying in that manner.

PEACE BREAKS OUT

When peace came and the troops trooped back to civil life, Harry Messam sailed on. He stayed in the permanent force for 22 years' service with the Royal Navy. Eventually he came out as a Chief Petty Officer.

Then he went wild. The accepted routine is to seek a genteel job for 20 years and retire on two pensions, he recalls. But not for Messam.

He had been instructing recruits in technology for 16 years, why didn't he become a teacher, a messmate asked him. And off he went to a girls' school. It was a convent-operated school for girls, but older male students were also accepted.

The nuns didn't mind; the students didn't mind; Mrs. Messam didn't mind and Mr. Messam had a new experience of co-education. He enjoyed the two-year teacher's training course. As he neared the end, the school asked him why not take the three-year course and be fully qualified. So he elected to soldier on at his desk.

Came the close of his training course and the school had another idea. Why not go on for his bachelor's degree? And, in due

course, he graduated as Bachelor of Education with a major in math. **BACK TO CANADA**

When it was all over and he could sit back and think about the future, his mind's eye returned to Canada. It was old hat.

In 1946 he had taken a winter survival course in Alberta and he had never forgotten Canada. So back he came, to teach.

He was engaged on the southern mainland and then moved to Vancouver Island. He liked teaching but he was facing a short working life, having come into it after his naval service. And his pension would be proportionately brief. After some thought on it, he decided to look in another direction. In no time at all, he was in business for himself in Port Alber-

ni. But he was still looking to the south of the Island.

Eventually, he moved south again and came to Salt Spring Island to open the new automotive supply service. It is a branch of the Jenks Automotive Supplies, of Duncan.

He lives on the island with his wife and a son. A second son is working in Ontario.

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Galiano Death of Phyllis Barner

By BASIL AND KATHLYN BENDER

Residents of Galiano during the sixties will be saddened to learn of the death last week in Vancouver of Mrs. Phyllis Barner.

The Barners, Dr. Herbert and wife Phyll provided medical care to residents and visitors alike from their home, 'The Haven', on Whaler Bay.

The Barners had spent many years as medical missionaries at Bella Bella.

In 1939 Dr. Barner was pursuing post-graduate work in England and he and his wife remained during the war years to practise at Dagenham, a suburb of London, much subject to blitzing by the Luftwaffe. While there the Barners adopted their only son, Michael, an Irish boy orphaned by the war. The family was steadily enlarged by the addition of six daughters, of whom, the two youngest, Penny and Bridgid, attended school on Galiano.

The Barners returned to Canada in 1948 when Dr. Barner began to develop a practice in the Victoria Road area of Vancouver. During this time Dr. Barner was president of the B.C. Branch of the Canadian Medical Association.

A QUIET PLACE

After suffering a heart attack, Dr. Barner came to Galiano as a quiet place to recuperate. Falling in love with the island, the Barners bought The Haven on Cain Road and this remained their home until Dr. Barner's death in 1971.

Dr. Barner continued his practice in Vancouver until 1969, but attended to the medical needs of the islanders at week-ends.

During the week, Phyll, a trained nurse, provided care and medical attention, and many an islander is indebted to her for first aid, reassurance and advice, and even for delivery into this world.

Both Barners were very active in community life. Both were keen golfers and gardeners. As two of her children were enrolled in the school, Phyllis became very interested in education and she served for several years as Galiano's trustee on the Gulf Islands School Board.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE

She was a trustee of the Galiano School Memorial Fund and encouraged its growth. With money from this fund the school staff were able to purchase books and equipment they would not otherwise have been able to obtain.

Dr. Barner retired to Galiano in 1969 but continued to provide

medical service to the island until his death in 1971. Following his death, Phyll found it impossible to live on here alone so she returned to Vancouver to be near her family.

At Mrs. Barner's request there was no funeral service and floral tributes were declined.

Tokens of respect and affection may take the form of donations to the Terry Fox Cancer Fund or to the Galiano School Memorial Fund, care of the Post Office, Galiano.

Arts Lib

The first program of the Arts Lib series for the new season, shown on Sunday, Sept. 21, was devoted to artists on Galiano.

The host, David Watmough, interviewed photographer Betty Fairbank, artists Elisabeth Hopkins and Elizabeth Steward, sculptor Ian Hooley and novelist Jane Rule.

In front of a background of views of Galiano and of the artist's work the interviewer discussed with each in turn their reasons for being on Galiano, how the environment and community influenced their work and their attitudes to the island and its inhabitants.

St. Margaret's

The speaker at the morning service at St. Margaret's Church on Sunday, September 1, was Miss Ethel Clarkson of Burnley, Lancashire, England.

Visiting Galiano for the first time, Miss Clarkson has been a lay preacher in the Methodist Church for 43 years and a Sunday School teacher for over 50.

Sports news

During July and August the Galiano Golf Club ran an instructional program for juniors, under the aegis of Dr. H. Keenleyside.

The culmination of this effort was a Junior Tournament held on August 22. Winner of the Beachwood Intermediate Trophy was John Kinahan with Jimmy Scott and Michael Knight as runners-up.

The Beachwood Junior Trophy was won by Douglas Donaldson with a nine-hole score of 32, a remarkable achievement that many an adult would envy.

Runners-up were Gary Cathro and Doug Ralph.

The success of the Galiano School Intermediate soccer team has prompted some ancients to think about raising a team of old-timers to challenge the students.

Rumour has it that Mozley, of England; Maclure, of Sierra Leone and Hale, of Australia, may form the nucleus of a squad to teach the youngsters a soccer lesson.

Members of the Golf and Country Club will hold their semi-annual meeting on Saturday, Sept. 27 at 8 pm in the Clubhouse.

On the agenda are a review of the financial situation, changes in the by-laws affecting memberships, dues and administrative structure, future programs and projects.

Progressive bridge has resumed on Monday evenings with Lottie Frewer convening.

Nature Notes

The fall migration of birds is well under way.

The tops of Douglas firs are alive

with the twittering of chestnut-backed chickadees and red-breasted nuthatches feeding on the fir-cone seeds.

The upper boughs of arbutus are festooned with White-crowned sparrows.

Murmurations of starlings are flocking noisily in the upper branches of the conifers.

Common terns are passing through on their way to the Antarctic summer, but few of the resident winter sea birds or ducks have yet arrived.

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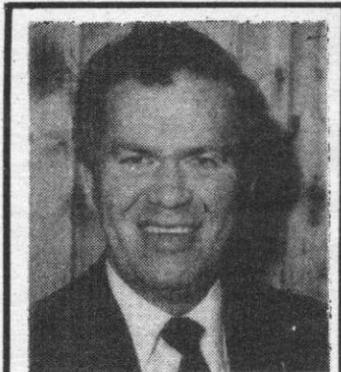
Fulford Hall - Oct. 2, 8 to 10 pm

Fernwood School - Oct. 9, 8 to 10 pm

The Commission will meet the public to discuss plans and to answer questions concerning the proposed Recreation Centre.

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Island instructor at medical conference

Adult education Yoga instructor, Phyllis Coleman, returned from Wisconsin after week at the American Holistic Medical Association conference in June.

Mrs. Coleman was invited by the association to give three workshops to the 600 doctors and professional medical attendants who constitute the Holistic Association.

Holistic medicine, as defined by the association is "a system of health care which emphasizes personal responsibility, and fosters a cooperative relationship among all those involved, leading toward optimal attunement of body, mind, emotions and spirit".

Among those invited to give workshops were Kenneth Cooper, M.D., and author of *Aerobics* and the *Aerobics Way*, Elisabeth Kubler-Ross, M.D., author of *Death and Dying* and Robert Leichman, author of *The Art of Living*.

TWO WORKSHOPS

Phyllis Coleman gave two workshops on Hatha Yoga, a physical form of Yoga whereby the body is not merely exercised but more nearly revised or rejuvenated by circulatory, spinal, muscular and skeletal self-orientation induced by exercise.

Family-Mid-Life Transitions and Death was the subject of Coleman's third workshop.



PHYLLIS COLEMAN

Transitions are a continuum in life and transitions in relationships, life-style and those experienced in dying were discussed in the workshop held at LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

Dr. Peter Clark, of Salt Spring Island, was one of the three Canadians who attended the Holistic conference with Phyllis Coleman.

Pender News

By ELEANOR HARRISON

Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Wade

Two well-known Pender Island families were united in marriage on Saturday, Sept. 20, at 3:30 pm in St. Peter's Church.

Betty Rundle-Woolcock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Rundle-Woolcock, and Michael Wade, son of Mrs. Chris Wade and Lawrence Wade, of Toronto, were married by Archdeacon David Powell before 140 friends and relatives.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a floor-length, white gown with train and tulle veil and carried a bouquet of red roses.

Maid-of-honor was Gina Newland dressed in a floor-length yellow gown with sheer cape, while the two bridesmaids, Brenda Haley and Dawn Smellie, had matching dresses in green with elbow length capes.

FLOWER GIRL

The flower girl was Sherri Wiese and the ring bearer Brendan Wiese, niece and nephew of the bride.

Bruce Grimmer of Pender Island was best man and the ushers were Phillip Wade and Ross Walker.

After the wedding the bridal party assembled in the garden at Waterlea, home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Harker, where the wedding pictures were taken.

A reception was held at the School-Community Hall Centre.

Mrs. Chris Wade's sister, Mrs. David Willis and her daughter Miss Juliette Willis and son, Brian Bond, came from Hampshire, England to attend.



MR. AND MRS. M. WADE

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It's that time of year again, when once again we have dreams of a perfect game, or maybe a 1000-triple. To bowl a perfect game is now worth about \$900 to anyone who is lucky enough to get one.

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Credit must go to Terry for getting the bowling alley in such good shape for the start of the new season. I know that he has spent many hours, sometimes till 4:30 in the morning, getting the lanes in perfect shape, so if you are having a bad game don't blame the lanes, because it's most probably yourself that's at fault.

This year has seen one of the best ever for registration for the Y.B.C.ers, up till last Saturday we had a total of 70 youngsters signed up, ranging from four, up to 13 years of age. Plus, we have another 24 seniors on the Wednesday afternoons.

Here are the better scores of the week: Stan Glazier 780; Ken Collins 765-771; Carol Kaye 746; Julie Collins 747; Denis Corcoran 765; Jim Gilson 720 and Jean Jenkins 783.

We had 300 games coming from Gloria West 305; Ken Collins 317-326 and Stan Glazier with 375.

The bowlers of the week were, for the ladies, Jean Jenkins and for the men, Stan Glazier.

Youth bowling has attracted a considerable number of Salt Spring Island students. Many are back after bowling last year in the youth bowling leagues. Although league games are already under way, any youngster who wants to play and hasn't registered yet will still be accepted, reports Leisure Lanes, at Ganges.

Here are the scores for the last two weeks:

High Scorers, Saturday, Sept. 13: Jets: Simon Baines, 27; Aaron Slingsby, 84; Rebecca Stratholt, 67; Leah Brubaker, 64.

Pee Wees: Brett Marshall, 93; Clinton Helfrich, 91; Jeffrey Nielson, 87; Adam Baines, 87; Tanya Slingsby, 88; Annie Spencer, 78; Petra Hazenboom, 71.

Bantams: Kurt Sadler, 121; Bryan Farrell, 118; Jason Matthews, 85; Shannon Taylor, 216; Jodie Harrison, 172; Lisa Jorgensen, 155.

Juniors: Christine Rush, 225; Kara Cruickshank, 176; Denise Harrison, 175; David Cates, 189; Eddie Ruckle, 169; Layne Hellum, 154.

Seniors: Wednesday, Sept. 10: Cindy Corcoran, 239; Tisha Westcott, 188; Angie Matthews, 188; Christine Pecher, 136; Steve Marleau, 267; Danny Fraser, 210;

Bursary for Daphne Plessner

Mrs. M.O. Sketch has recently announced that the Bishop Michael Coleman Bursary for 1980 has been awarded to Miss Daphne Plessner of Pender Island. Daphne graduated from Parkland School at Sidney with high marks this past June and has now enrolled at Douglas College, in Surrey, where she will be specializing in fine arts.

The award is given annually to a high school graduating student from Pender Island.

Steve Martens and Marvin Foerster, 176.

Saturday, Sept. 20:

Jets: Daniel Hatch, 60; Simon Baines, 44; Aaron Slingsby, 56; Rebecca Stratholt, 61; Leah Brubaker, 47; Shane Elstrom, 49.

Pee Wees: Clinton Helfrich, 86; Jeffrey Nielson, 83; Adam Baines, 77; Tammy Sloan, 101; Chelsea Elstrom, 85; Petra Hazenboom, 79.

Bantams: Bryan Farrell, 147; Jay Pinchin, 127; Kurt Sadler, 110; Shannon Taylor, 190; Lisa Jorgensen, 160; Jennifer Lacey and Jodie Harrison, 125.

Juniors: Christine Rush, 267; Denise Harrison, 234; Wendy Luscombe, 189; Eddie Ruckle, 188; Tim Duke, 180; David Cates, 144.

Wednesday, Sept. 17:

Seniors: Danny Fraser, 283; Paul Trenholm, 242; Steve Marleau, 238; Trisha Westcott, 220; Alex Hele, 163; Cindy Corcoran, 161.

Seniors 600 Club: Paul Trenholm, 681.

Seniors 700 Club: Danny Fraser, 742 and Steve Marleau, 704.

SALT SPRING PUBLIC LIBRARY

Evening Opening

It has been decided to open the library during the evening once per week on a trial basis. Thus, during October 1980, the library will be open every Wednesday evening from 7 - 9 pm, starting Wednesday, Oct. 1.

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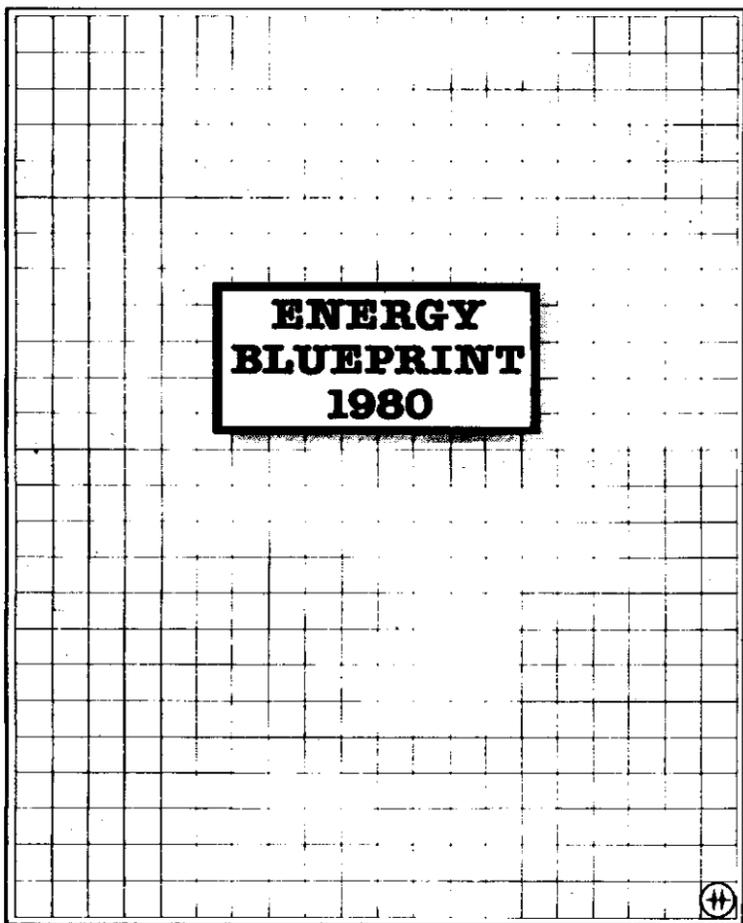
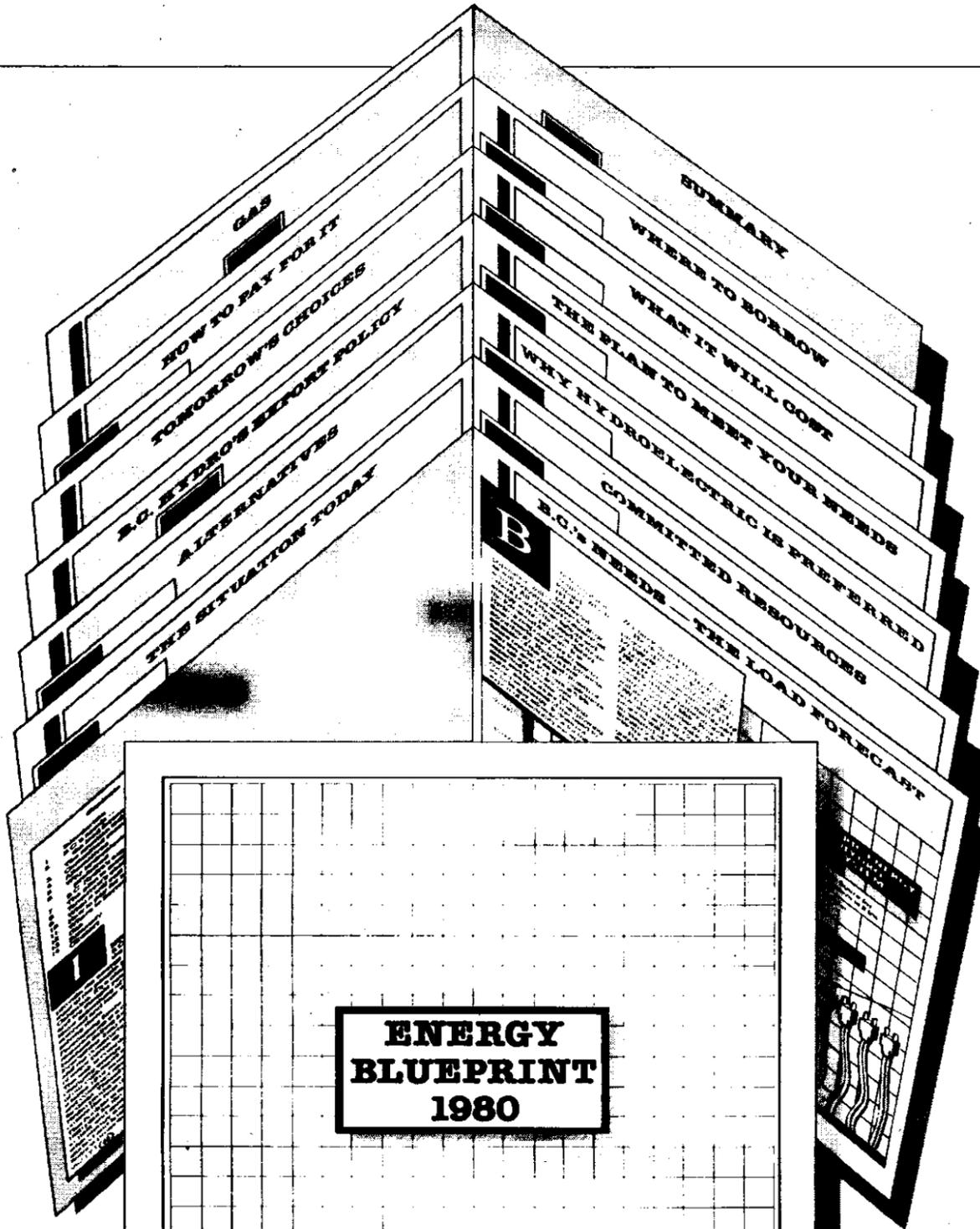
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One Bartlett tree is enough for one large family and all the neighbours, as you can expect anywhere from 500 to 800 pounds from a mature tree.

The Bartlett needs a polliniser and the Bosc pear would be best as it is a late russet pear, which is picked hard and stored. A good canning and eating pear, after ripening in the kitchen.

The Anjou is a dark green pear, good for canning and eating, and a fairly good keeper. It is also self-pollinating.

The Winter Nellis, often called Butter Pear, and the Comice are both late pears and self-pollinating. They are yellow pears of fairly good keeping quality and good for eating and canning.

TO THE PLUMS

Now to the plums. There are the two basic kinds, the Japanese and European plums.

The Japanese plums require a Japanese polliniser and the European plums need a European polliniser. So, we have that straight.

Basically, the Japanese plums are the larger and juicier fruit. They bloom and bear earlier, and due to the early blooming habit (March) a late frost could kill the blossoms.

The Santa Rosa and Peach Plum are two Japanese self-pollinating plums, the Santa Rosa being a good polliniser for almost all other Japanese plums, such as Burbank and Satsuma.

The European plums bloom and bear later but have a fairly high

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winter chill requirement. That is, after an unusually mild winter they will not flower or bear fruit. So, with a Japanese and a European plum, we are covered for all eventualities and sure to have plums anyway, and most years we have both.

The best polliniser and self-pollinating European plum is the Italian Prune plum, the sweetest of all plums. Other self-pollinators are Greengage, Damson and Yellow Egg.

Japanese plums need a great deal of pruning, as they make abundant new shoots every year. European plums need very little pruning after the first few years, when the young tree needs determined shaping.

Plums are not as disease- and bug-free as pears and your best bet is good rich soil with a good phosphorus and potash balance for strength and health.

CHERRIES AND ROBINS

Cherries are next. One great problem are robins, the harbingers of spring, also lovers and connoisseurs of cherries. This spring, I almost despaired of ever seeing a ripe cherry, when about 20 robin families arrived to wait for our cherries. However, they all went elsewhere, maybe because they got tired of waiting, with our late spring, or maybe because of the wrens. Anyway, we had a lot of cherries for the first time in three years.

The Stella is a self-pollinating cherry, red, sweet and good canning and eating. Bing and Van are two black cherries, good eating and canning, which pollinise each other nicely, with the Van being a good polliniser for Royal Ann and

Sam and Lambert. The Stella is also available as a compact tree.

Cherries do not need pruning, other than establishing a good framework and cutting dead or crossing branches. Fertile, well-drained soil will result in a healthy tree with few problems. Ants and aphids will not become a problem.

PEACHES AND POLLEN

And now to the peaches. Almost all peaches are self-pollinating and do not require another polliniser. Nectarines have the same cultural requirements, being of the same family. All varieties available in local nurseries are good ones, the most popular being Early Redhaven and Redhaven. Peaches need a fair bit of summer heat to ripen well and this is best assured in our islands climate by planting them right against the south wall of a house, shed or solid fence. The three V's, Vedette, Veteran and the third one has escaped me right now, will set fruit under cool summer conditions and can therefore grow in unsheltered places. They are considered canning peaches, but a hot summer will result in good flavour.

Peaches need a good deal of pruning. As much as two-thirds of last year's growth may be pruned. They all bear heavily and thinning of fruit to 6 inches apart is necessary. Peach leaf curl is almost automatic unless sprayed with dormant oil and lime sulphur in December and early February during a dry spell.

There are genetic dwarf peaches. Bonanza is a six-foot shrub at maturity which will bear full size fruit at two years of age and when two feet tall. It is a freestone of good flavour early in the season.

Salt Spring Golf Notes

Thirteen compete for Legion Cup at Salt Spring Club

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In the ladies' nine-hole section, 13 ladies competed in the first round of the Legion Cup. The second round will be played next Tuesday. Edith Owens holds the Porter Trophy for chipping in on No. 9.

On Tuesday, Sept. 16, Dolly Whorley was low net with 67, Ada Woodley was runner-up with 70. Irene Hawksworth took the putt pot with 26 putts.

Play in the Wilson Cup is now complete and our ladies' club

champion is Connie Hardy. Runner-up is Dorothy Kennedy. Winner of the first flight is Barbara Maguire; runner-up Lil Rayner.

In the second flight the winner was Jean Vodden; runner-up Shirley Parsons.

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In the men's section it will be Malcolm Robertson and Kevin Noble in the final, for the club championship.

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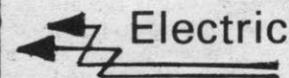
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Island man makes 1,500-mile trip by river

Modern voyageurs retrace route of early trader

BY TONY RICHARDS

A Salt Spring Island man has just returned home after a 1,500-mile rowing and sailing trip that took him through three Canadian provinces.

Paul Isserlis was one of 10 men who travelled by river from Edmonton to Fort Garry, Man., aboard a 40-foot York boat, a shallow-draft boat used by Hudson's Bay Co. traders in the 18th and 19th centuries.

The trip was sponsored by the Alberta '75 commission, and was made to commemorate that province's 75th birthday.

It was while working on the reconstruction of the original Fort Edmonton that one of the members of the expedition came up with the

idea. Working with him was Isserlis' brother, who sent word of the plan to Salt Spring Island, with an invitation to go along.

FROM FORT EDMONTON

On July 1 the 10 voyageurs set out from Fort Edmonton on the North Saskatchewan River, rowing and sailing almost 1,500 miles over a period of 56 days.

Before departing they sent along an itinerary to each of the towns they would stop at along the way. Before arriving at a town, the travellers would don clothes similar to those worn by the original voyageurs. Upon arriving they fired off their three muzzle-loaders and two bagpipe players who were on board got out their pipes and played for the crowds that gathered along the riverside.

At many of their stops in both

Alberta and Saskatchewan they were treated to free room and board.

But most nights were spent camped on the riverbank, with the boat at anchor. They were forced to try and sleep on the boat one night, when neither bank of the river offered a suitable camping area.

The anchor was dropped and the 10 tried to get some sleep. Six succeeded, Isserlis recalled.

SHORTER MAST

The vessel was rigged with a 360 sq. ft. square sail and a 30-foot mast, but for the best part of the voyage a 16-foot mast had to be used so as to get underneath the bridges and power lines that spanned the river.

The journey took the expedition down the Saskatchewan for about 1,000 miles into Lake Winnipeg. They travelled down the lake and into the Red River and thence to Fort Garry.

The Saskatchewan, Isserlis explained, is a very slow river and the boat averaged three miles an hour. Most of the journey was downstream and they seldom had to buck any current.

ROWED MOST OF THE WAY

They were able to sail for about one-fifth of the journey, the rest of the time they rowed. Four would row at a time in half-hour shifts. It was comfortable for four, Isserlis said, but a strain for only two.

The only rapids encountered were near Prince Albert, Sask., where the current was flowing at 10 mph or better, said the island sailor.

They ran across more sandbars than anything else and on two occasions the crew had to use block and tackle to get their boat floating again.

TWO PORTAGES

On two occasions a portage was necessary to bypass hydro dams.

Although the crew could have handled the portage themselves, with block and tackle and rollers, dam authorities were eager to lend their assistance, explained Isserlis.

Where it would have taken them two or three days with block and tackle, the portages were made quickly and easily with the help of a crane and a truck.

One major mistake, recalled the local voyageur, was believing a weather forecast they heard while making their way down Lake Winnipeg.

The crew was unable to row the boat against the wind and they were blown on to the beach. By the time the wind abated three days later, the block and tackle had to be brought out again as the boat had been blown up on the beach. Wind and waves had left it 20 feet from the water's edge by the time the storm died.

METIS GUIDE

Prior to reaching the lake, another crew member joined the boat, a Metis guide. He guided them through the marsh area where the Saskatchewan enters the lake, an area in which the river channel is

constantly changing. He remained on the boat until it reached Fort Garry.

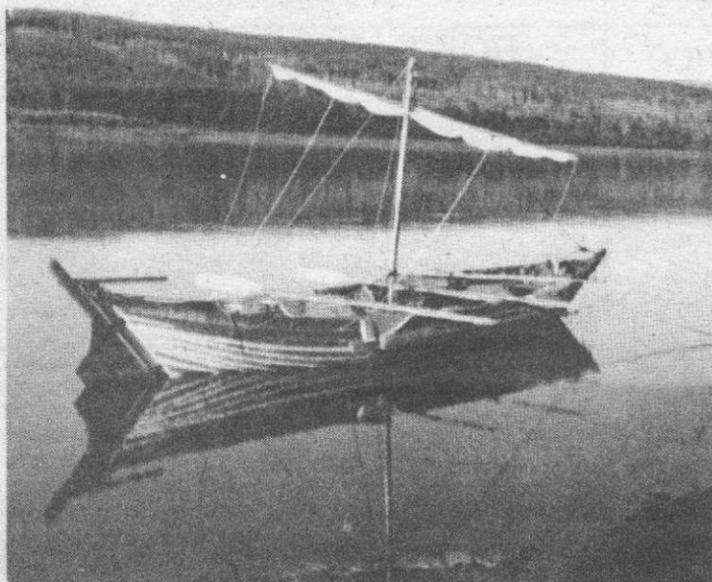
All the members of the crew, apart from Isserlis and the guide, were Albertans. They even had a medical advisor along who had been sent to join by the Canada Employment Centre in Edmonton.

Isserlis said the recruit was very surprised when someone handed him an oar. He had been under the impression that they were to carry out an ecological survey of the river.

For most of the voyageurs, who were students, it was a summer job and each was paid \$1,700 for making the trip.

Paul Isserlis is now considering returning to the Saskatchewan River, with a view to either making a similar trip on a smaller boat or working for the same Metis guide who sailed with him on the York boat.

But his plans are not definite. After all, a weekend sailing trip brought him to Salt Spring Island 3½ years ago and he's been here ever since.



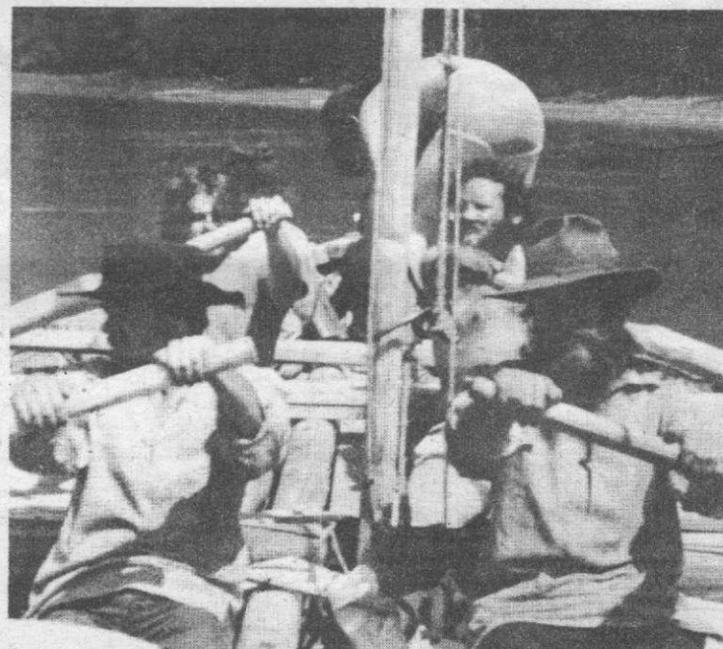
The York boat at anchor on the Saskatchewan River



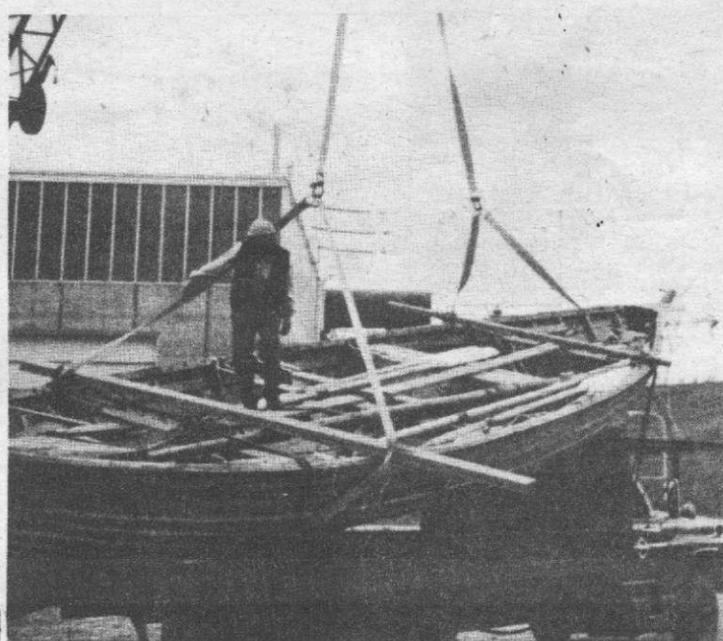
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Four crew members at rowing stations. Paul Isserlis is at right.



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