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No Desire To Get A 'Bang' Out Of This Job

Sidney builder John Stevens, of 9310 Lochside Drive, had a close call last week when his new construction company was clearing its first residential lot on Salt Spring Island and encountered 60 sticks of dynamite.

Stevens, who was standing about 15 feet from the dynamite when it was turned up by the bulldozer, thinks that had there been an explosion, the casualties would have included himself, Harry Reynolds, the bulldozer operator, and Mr. and Mrs. Stan Glazier who were in their home nearby.

"I know four of us could have been killed right there," said Stevens. "And that was a little too close for comfort. The very upsetting point is that someone could be in charge of something like this and just leave it behind."

The incident occurred when Stevens' construction company, Barfoot Enterprises, was clearing the lot at Walter Hook on the northeast side of the island about nine miles from Ganges.

Although it is not known where the dynamite came from, police believe it might have been left at the scene several years ago by someone clearing trees and rock.

The RCMP bomb squad broke the sticks, then removed them to an uninhabited part of the island where they were burned.

William Rogers Elected President

As a result of an election held January 15th at the Sidney Hotel the following members of the Sidney and North Saanich Chamber of Commerce were elected to the 1976 Executive:

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The installation dinner meeting will be held at the Travelodge March 23rd at 6:30 p.m.

NEIGHBOURS IN NEED PROGRAM

The Native Diversion Program is conducting a drive for groceries and non-perishables to be used for a neighbors in need program.

The objectives are to help lessen the burden of people living on social assistance, unemployment insurance, and families with a fixed income.

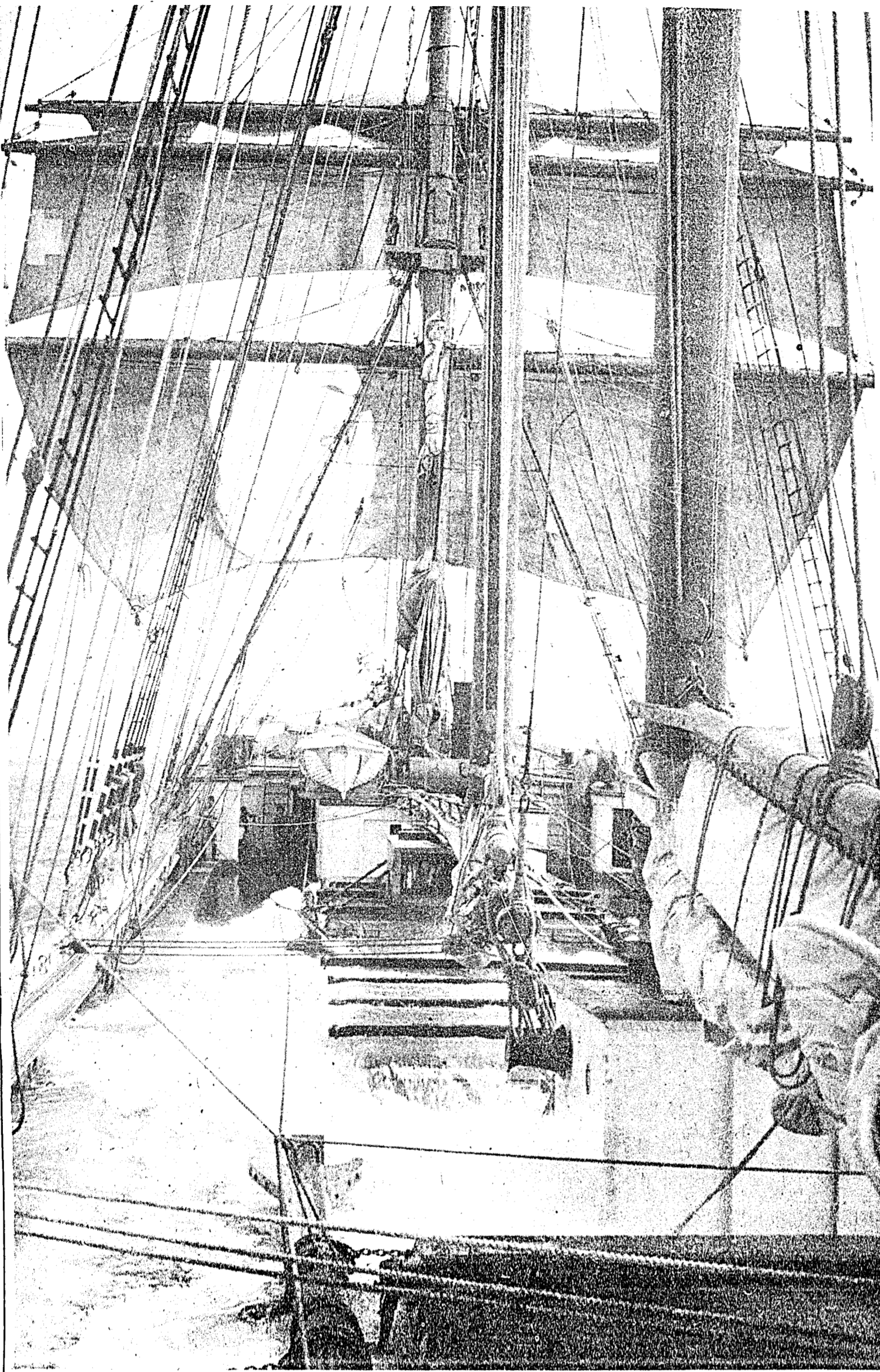
There has been a very good response so far, reports the Diversion Program, and there are potatoes and freezer bread available for those who need them.

For donations and pick up, phone Mrs. J. Barrett at 384-4642 or 384-3211, or donations can be dropped off at the Victoria Native Friendship Centre, 1298 Gladstone, Victoria.

MARYLAND STORM DRAIN SYSTEM TO REMAIN AS IS

Sidney council has decided that no action will be taken in 1976 on storm drain improvements in the Maryland sub-division.

"I understand that most people living up there don't really wish us to do anything about it," said Mayor Peter Malcolm.



With one sail blown out in a full gale off the Hawaiian Islands the barkentine S.F. Tolmie had breaking seas coming in over her main hatches. In this same incident, which occurred in 1923, the

vessel lost her fore topmast. Local resident Captain Redvers Smith later joined her as Second Mate and supervised the repairs to her rigging.

Around Cape Horn In A Square-Rigger

Captain Redvers Smith, Senanus Drive, is a direct descendant of the pioneer Brethour family in Sidney. Last week this 76 year old master seaman gave to The Review the first interview he has ever accorded any publication. A man of keen intellect and prodigious memory Captain Smith not only served before the mast in square riggers but also spent many years on the China Coast, including a spell of internment under the Japanese during the Second World War.

The following article is the first of a two-part series.

By John Manning

Voyaging around Cape Horn is an experience that can live with a man for a lifetime. There are few men on the Saanich Peninsula today who have ever done it and even

fewer who have sailed this passage in a square rigger.

Captain Redvers Smith is such a man.

A sailor, born in the year 1900, who came 'up through the hawse pipe' to earn his master's ticket under sail, Captain Smith shipped out in five masted schooner BIANCA bound for the Horn in January of 1920.

He was 20 years old.

"I remember the day before we sailed I walked up into Victoria to the Coach and Horses," Redvers told The Review last week, "There I bought six bottles of bootleg whiskey."

"My friends and I started drinking. One thing led to another and all of a sudden I heard the sound of a scrap going on below deck," he said. "I went below and there saw one of the seamen going at the mate with a knife. It was a

short knife, the kind we used to work canvas with. The mate was wearing a mackinaw, which was a good thing, for the blade had to go through two thicknesses of it, right at the lapel. He stuck him 4 times."

"Next day we sailed with a new mate, a man by the name of Joe Lomp. He and I became pretty good friends before the voyage was done."

LONG VOYAGE

This voyage, which was to take a total of 174 days from Victoria to Durban, South Africa saw the ship only sight land twice: the tip of Cape Horn and Tristan da Cunha.

"Taking the so-called 'sleigh-ride' route from West to East the 1946 ton vessel still took three weeks to round Cape 'Stiff' once she had reached the latitude of the Horn. With no heat aboard, save the galley stove all the seaman,

including Redvers Smith, wore mainly woolen clothing. "You would turn in wearing woolens and they would more or less dry on you."

"It wasn't so bad," explained Captain Smith. "You became used to it, although there was snow in the air, which made the decks slippery. Even down there I enjoyed going aloft. You became used to that, too."

He said that one of the worst moments in his seagoing years occurred whilst they were standing towards the Horn.

"It was snowing. The snow had built up on the deck load of lumber, making it very slippery to walk upon. The ship had six foot or so of freeboard; the lumber rose above that another nine feet and one black night with the

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Sidney To Seek Increased Air-Sea Rescue Facilities For This Area

Campbell River Council Already Petitioning Coastal Communities For Action

By GRANIA LITWIN

Sidney is joining hands with coastal communities stretching the length of Vancouver Island in asking Ottawa to improve air-sea rescue operations and marine safety facilities for 1976.

According to Sidney Mayor Peter Malcolm, council will send a letter to the Ministers of Transport and Defence asking for a review of west coast air-sea rescue operations to ensure better service in 1976.

The question of air-sea rescue was raised earlier this year by Campbell River council which sent letters asking for support from coastal communities and cities in requesting the federal government look into the matter.

"We are supporting Campbell River with a letter of our

own," said Malcolm in an interview Tuesday.

"Obviously we have a definite interest and are supporting the request wholeheartedly along with Victoria."

According to the mayor, Sidney and the nearby Gulf Islands were better off when the small navy base of seaplanes was located at Pat Bay Airport.

BASE MOVED

The base moved to headquarters in Comox in the latter part of 1974 and since then, Malcolm recalled, "I do not feel the southern end of Vancouver Island has been that well cared for."

"We must be wholly dependent upon planes which must fly out of Comox for our air-sea rescue operations," he said, "and, as time is usually

of the essence in boating accidents, this delay is important."

Malcolm praised the local RCMP for the sea rescue service it provides but added "we still don't have an air-sea rescue."

"The federal government still owns hangers at Pat Bay Airport and since that facility is right here there's no reason we couldn't have someone stationed here."

According to Malcolm the boating population in the Sidney area is vast, and estimated at more than 2,000 craft.

Docking facilities on the northern end of Saanich Peninsula include Canoe Cove Marina Ltd., Van Isle Marina Co., All Bay Marina, and the Bosun's Marina Ltd. to name only a few, he said.

A spokesman for the Rescue Co-ordination Centre (RCC) told the Sidney Review that of 1,925 marine incidents last year in British Columbia Coastal waters at least 179 incidents were in the general area of Sidney and the Gulf Islands.

According to the spokesman, the stretch of coastal waters from Dixon

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Editorial Off Base Says Alderman

In disagreement with a recent Review editorial, Central Saanich council stated they did not fail to erect a suitable memorial for the late Archie Galbraith.

Ald. Donald MacLaurin pointed out that Central Saanich had taken two actions honouring Galbraith: a road was renamed Galbraith Way,

and a bronze plaque commemorating Galbraith's contributions to the community will be placed on a piece of land in the new subdivision called Galbraith Close.

As well, it was pointed out, Central Saanich contributes to the Galbraith Memorial Scholarship Fund for Pearson College, along with the other municipalities.

NEW TWO ACRE PARK SITE INVOLVED IN DRIVE FOR MONEY

If North Saanich Mayor Paul Grieve has his way two municipal residents who live on or near the waterfront, or who know people who live on the exclusive sea-side property, will help council buy North Saanich a new two-acre park.

Council will act as "bagman" for the fund raising drive to buy the park, Grieve explained at the meeting of North Saanich council Monday night.

But two residents of the community will be asked to join a standing committee comprised of three aldermen to inquire into the feasibility of buying land near Wain Road owned by T.E. Sparling.

"We will use the two lay members as a conduit to the money bags around the waterfront in the community," claimed Grieve.

He went on to explain that these members will be responsible for finding people to come up with the bulk of the funds to buy the property — estimated at between \$35,000

and \$42,000.

Grieve explained that donations to help buy the park will be tax deductible as the title will be held in the name of the Nature Conservancy of Canada until paid for.

He outlined his plan is to tap the most wealthy residents of North Saanich for the funds, those people who fall into the 50-per-cent tax bracket.

Gifts would then be 50-per-cent deductible, he said, so that the park reserve would collect twice the cash given by donors.

"You may think this an unduly cynical way to collect money for a park," smiled Grieve.

While Grieve hopes to focus the fund raising drive on "money bags" in North Saanich it appears the eventual public use of the park may be equally selective.

Asked about access to the park (which is near but not on Wain Road) Grieve responded: "This is not the sort of park where one wished the

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MAYOR PETER MALCOLM REQUESTING REVIEW OF WEST COAST AIR-SEA RESCUE

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Entrance, north of Queen Charlotte Islands, to south of Victoria is patrolled by three Coast Guard cutters Racer, Rider and Ready.

These 95-foot vessels ply up and down the area, a 14-day round trip voyage, and stop in at Sidney about once a week for a crew change.

Robert Sommerville, of Campbell River, one of the most active volunteer rescue agents in B.C., said in a recent interview that the West Coast is being short-changed in marine rescue equipment.

MORE SHIPS

He said he hoped at least 10 or 12 Canadian Coast Guard cutters would be bought in the near future but commented they wouldn't solve the air-sea rescue problems which he described as totally inadequate on this coast.

Figures show that of the 3,765 marine mishaps in Canada in 1974, 2,503 of them occurred on the west coast while the remaining 1,262 were on the eastern seaboard which has more vessels and rescue equipment he said.

Sommerville called for permanent shore stations at Sidney, Sooke, Vancouver, Gibson, Campbell River, Bull Harbor, Gold River, Bella Bella, Sandspit and if possible at Prince Rupert and Massey.

Sommerville praised the local coast guard saying: "They are doing twice as much with half of the equipment of the U.S. Coastguard."



Canadian Coast Guard cutter RACER put in to the Sidney Government wharf during the past weekend. Mayor Peter Malcolm has called for a review of services provided by such vessels. (Review photo).

Two Residents Will Be Invited To Work With Council Committee

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public to go. It is more of a reservation."

He admitted this is his personal view and the park may be open to the public but said it is equally likely that it may not be used by the public.

According to Alderman George Westwood this defeats the purpose of buying the two-acre tract.

"I feel we are essentially a rural area and have more than our share of parks. But if we do intend to buy this land it will not get support from me if it is not to be used by the people of this municipality."

"But this is an area you will never be able to replace," argued Ald. John Laphan, who went on to mention the age of trees and variety of growth on the property.

"Prove it," responded Westwood. "What's so unique about it?"

It is the last piece of property of its kind in private ownership, said Grieve, and

should be preserved in its natural state.

Ald. Eric Sherwood said he would support the idea of buying the conservancy only if the committee can "find a large enough number of affluent ladies and gents in the area."

PENINSULA SOCCER CLUB RESULTS

Results of matches played by the Peninsula Soccer Club on Saturday 17th January, 1976.

Div. 6a Peninsula Jets 0; Landsdowne Evening Optimist Patriots 0.

Div. 6b Peninsula Flyers 2; Lakehill Mackenzie Esso 2.
Div. 7a Gorge F.C. 3; Peninsula Pumas 2.

Div. 7b Peninsula Mustangs 1; Juan de Fuca 1.

Div. 9 Peninsula Dolphins 1; Prospect Lake 1.

All games played on all-weather pitches. All Sunday games for local teams were cancelled.

A decision to set up the committee was made with Ald. Westwood and Gorge Cumpston opposed.

The prospective property, located on Wain Road, presently belongs to Mr. T.E. Sparling, who has indicated to council that he would be willing to sell the property for park purposes.

Sparling indicated to council his desire that the many trees on the land be preserved for the benefit and enjoyment of the people of the district.

Mayor Grieve suggested

certain terms of reference for the Parkland Committee to follow, such as the feasibility of raising the necessary contributions from the community, the establishment of price and terms of purchase with Mr. Sparling, etc.

It was stressed that it was not part of the proposal that council contribute to the council, although there is a possibility of funds being made available as part of the total budget discussion in April.

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St. Stephen's A.C.W. met at the Rectory, McPhail Road, on Wednesday afternoon, January 14th. The annual reports were read, following which Rev. Ivan Futter presided over the election of officers, the following being elected: President, Mrs. A.M. Galbraith; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. W.R. Osler; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Wm. Bremner; Secretary, Mrs. D.A. Robertson; Treasurer, Mrs. Ann Johnson; Social Service Secretary, Mrs. W.E. Clayards; Living Message Secretary, Mrs. Ivan Futter; Extra Cents and United Thank Offering, Mrs. Lorne Thomson; Visiting Committee, Mrs. R. Schofield and Mrs. Don Dobyns.

Dates were set as follows for 1976 events: Fashion Show, March 22nd; Spring Tea, May 15th; and Fall Tea, October 23rd.

Canadian Club To Meet

The Womens Canadian Club will meet in Newcombe Auditorium Thursday, January 29, 1976 at 2:00 p.m. The speaker will be Dr. E. Margaret Fulton, Dean of Women, U.B.C.

Topic, "Changing Life Styles and New Challenges". Membership open. Information 656-5358.

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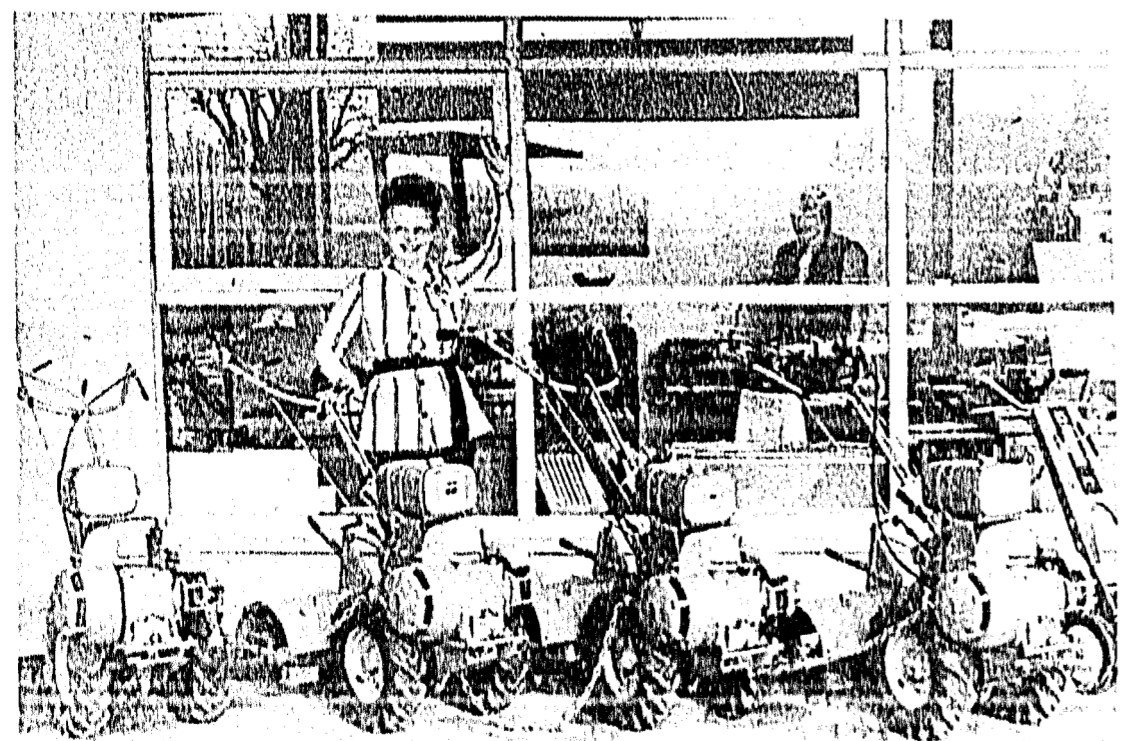
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Much To Learn From Indians Says Artist

Reg Davis is a self-made artist. "I never took a lesson in my life," said Davis, whose walls of his cozy Canoe Cove apartment are adorned with dozens of sensitive portraits. "I've always been afraid formal lessons would interfere with my style. I have a kind of unorthodox style. I start from the eyes."

Davis, who started seriously drawing just two or three years ago, is mainly interested in Indian portraits. "There is so much character in the Indian face," he said. Davis, who was born in 1929, came to the area 19 years ago from London, and in that time did "just about everything" until leaving the pressures of

his nine-to-five job to express his creativity. Sometime in the future he hopes to visit reserves in the area, drawing his finely detailed portraits of the people, writing their history, and compiling the two into a book form. "Most people just don't know anything about Native Indians," he told the Review,

and added that there is much to learn from them. Davis, a member of the Saanich Peninsula Arts and Crafts, also hopes to one day exhibit in England. Besides his pastel pencil drawings, Davis spends a lot of time in his small boat, the "Squaty Kwanimut", meaning "Crazy Whiteman", fishing for trout and steelhead "when the mood hits me."

And along with his other hobbies, growing roses and collecting old books, Davis is a frequent contributor to the Review.

He became involved in writing much the same way he started drawing, "just by doing it," he said.

Anyone who is interested in Reg Davis' artwork is invited to drop by his home at 2300 Canoe Cove, but, he warns, take notice of which of the two signs are hanging on his front door.

One reads: "Mad Artist at work - do not disturb", the other: "Mad artist at work - enter at your own risk."



A man of prolific artistic endeavour, Reg Davis, examines some of the many paintings he has completed in recent years.



Funds For Ditch Maintenance Discussed By Council

Mr. Budd Mitchell, a spokesman for the McHugh Ditch Committee, requested an increase in the budget they receive from Central Saanich council for the maintenance of McHugh Ditch.

In 1975, \$806 was allotted for the improvement of the ditch, which provides drainage for the McHugh Valley area, but local residents claim this amount only cleared half of the waterway, and requested the budget be increased to \$1250.

There was minor dispute within council over the fact that the maintenance of the ditch was originally planned as a cost sharing operation, but Central Saanich has gradually assumed full financial responsibility.

But Alderman George MacFarland stated, "Part of our policy has always been to help the farmers," and the matter was turned over to the Public Works committee for budgeting.

Doughnut Eating Driver

Wanda Ollis of Webster Place, was eating a doughnut when the car she was driving veered off the roadway and hit two parked cars last week.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NOTICE

Sidney and North Saanich Chamber of Commerce will elect its 1976 executive Jan. 15th at the Sidney Hotel - luncheon 12 noon - 1 p.m.

The Annual Installation Dinner Meeting will be held January 23rd at the Sidney Travelodge. Cocktails at 6:30 p.m. Dinner at 7:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased in advance from the Royal Bank or Fredrick's shoes at \$5 each.

Since tickets will be limited, members and friends are urged to make arrangements to attend as early as possible.

The Secretary

OPENING DATES FOR BIG GAME HUNTING RELEASED

The proposed opening dates for big game hunting seasons (males only, unless otherwise stated) in British Columbia have been announced by the Fish and Wildlife Branch to assist the hunting public in planning their 1976 to 1977 hunting activities.

Dr. J. Hatter, Director, stated that in the fall of 1975 the Fish and Wildlife Branch instituted a new "management unit" system to replace former "management areas". There are now seven major regions subdivided into 217 management units and opening dates refer first to the region and then to the specific management unit.

The development of the new management unit system is just one of the steps that the Branch is taking towards intensifying Fish and Wildlife management and to better accommodate associated public recreation. Now individual wildlife populations or areas with similar mixes of animals and recreational opportunities can be better managed.

The Branch will be preparing regulations using the same format as for the 1975 / 76 Hunting

Regulations Synopsis' (available by mid-July 1976) and will only make slight changes to accommodate clearer understanding of various hunting seasons.

The following list of opening dates is based on new "management units" and administrative regions. If in doubt as to the specific area, please check the management unit described using your 1975 / 76 hunting regulations synopsis as a guide. You may also wish to buy a copy of the new B.C. Recreational Atlas

which contains all new boundaries in detail. Opening dates are generally similar to last year's, however, there are some changes. Limited Entry Hunting Seasons may not be open to non-residents.

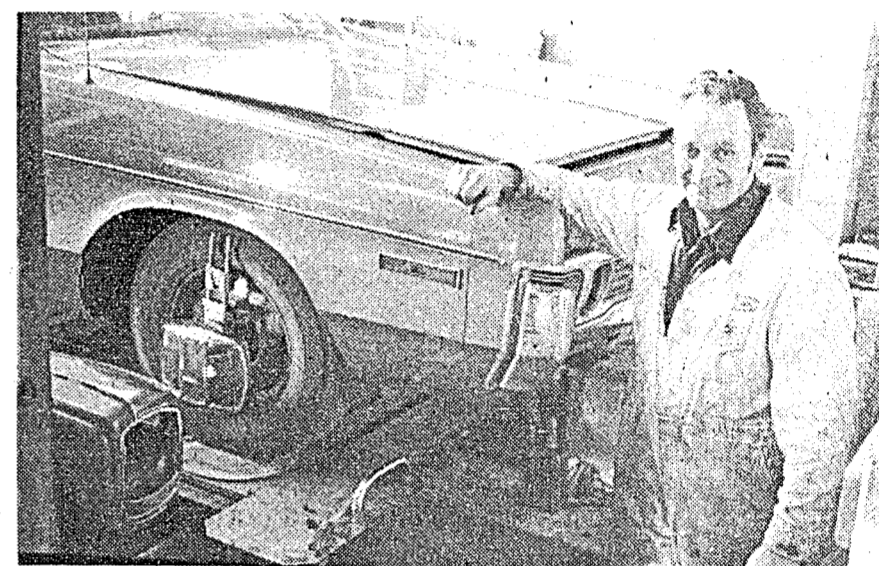
To meet requirements of intensive management and

requirements under the International Convention on Trade in Endangered Species, compulsory reporting will be required for all sheep, grizzly bear, and cougar. Compulsory reporting is being considered for mountain goat in several regions.

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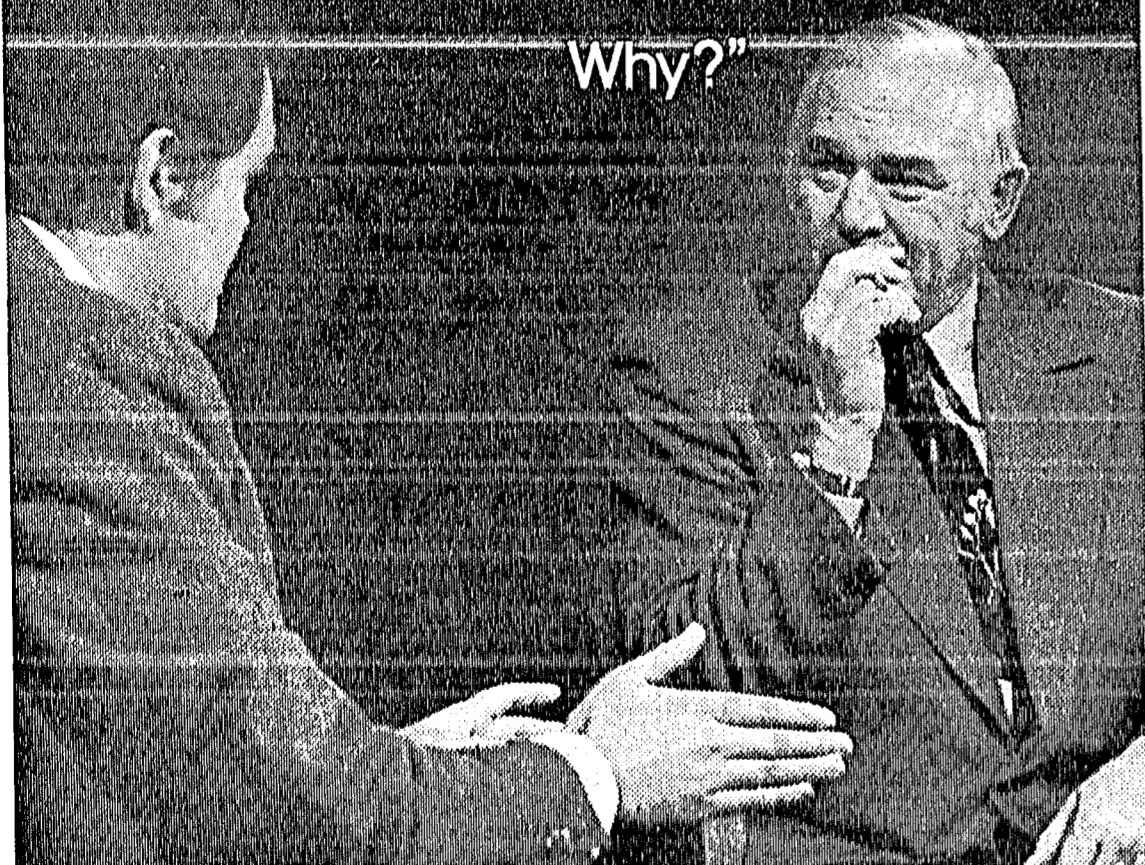
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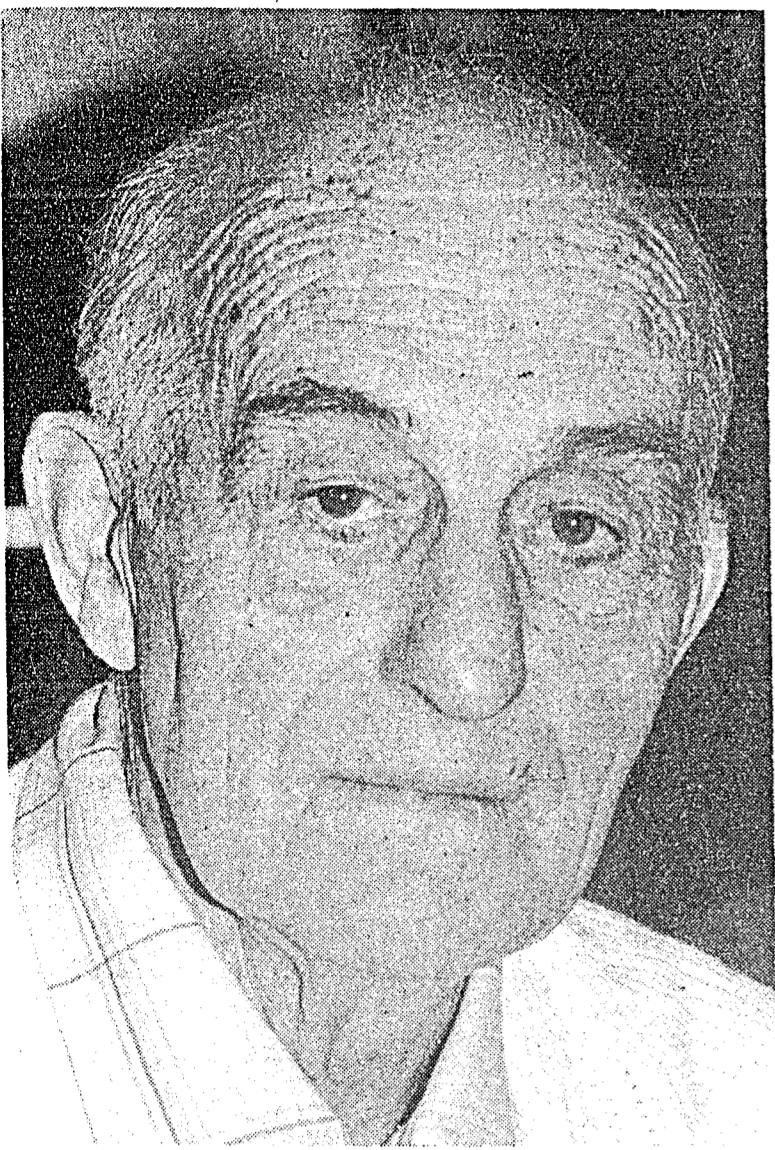


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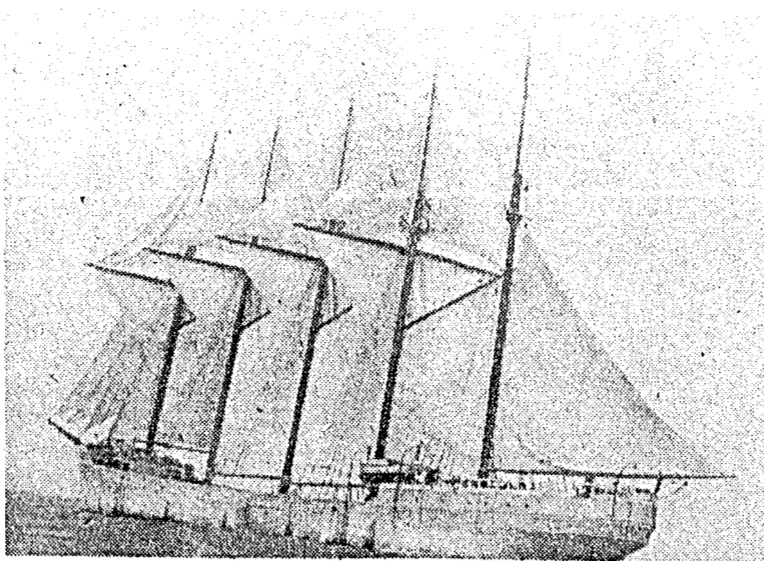
Son Of Sidney Pioneer Family Sailed Before The Mast Around Cape Horn



Master Mariner Captain Redvers Smith.

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wind coming out of the South West a strong squall over took the vessel."
It was imperative that canvas be reduced. Smith, crawling on his hands and knees across the deck-load of lumber made for the lee side of the ship. As he felt his way across the cargo, holding onto its chain lashings, the ship heeled over until the lee side of the lumber was under water.
"I had to slack away the throat halyard on one sail. Another man took the peak halyard on the weather side of the ship and more men handled the gaff-vang. Working in unison we managed to take in the sail before the ship was knocked right on her beam ends."

ASTRANGE THING
"It's a strange thing about going to sea in a ship like that: when you and your mates have been together long enough and you have become seaman you develop a sixth sense as to what the other chap's doing. You had in you a strong sense of seamanship, so that even on a dark night like that you all knew what the others would be up to."
"We rounded the Horn on a



Captain Redvers Smith sailed aboard the BIANCA, a five masted schooner whose peculiar rig was affectionately known as the 'Jackass' type. This vessel, loaded with lumber taken aboard in Chemainus, B.C. took 174 days to make Durban by way of Cape Horn. At the time, Smith was a seaman aboard her.

Sunday," he said. "A beautiful forenoon. The sky was clear and we could see the Hermitage Islands."
This was the first land sighted from the ship since she had stood clear of the Straits of Juan de Fuca.
The BIANCA, being an American registered vessel, served excellent food, Smith told The Review. The crew totalled but 14 in all: "We were too damned tired to get up to any mischief aboard but we all got along well together.... the Captain was a Norwegian by the name of Pettersen."
The Mate, Joe Lomp, was an Estonian seaman of German extraction, who had sailed with Captain Victor Jacobsen

turn on the pump. We would lash the helm and the ship would sail herself. Now and then the Japanese cook would pop his head out of the galley and have a quick look around at the horizon."
One other, slightly amusing hardship on this voyage was the fact that the seaman's head had plugged up and could not be cleared once the cargo had been stowed. "When nature called we simply had to crawl out over the bows," laughed Smith.
On arrival in Durban, 174 days out of Victoria, many of the crew wished to sign off the ship saying they were ill. However, the vessel's master Captain Petersen, was one step ahead of them.

CREW FOOLED
"Almost one half of the entire crew played sick," Smith told The Review. "They demanded to see a doctor but the wily old Norwegian skipper brought a fake doctor aboard.... I remember the incident clearly, for the man had a stethoscope hanging around his neck when he came up over the ship's side. His conduct was most unprofessional. If one of the men said he had a sore back this 'doctor' would simply ask him to pick up a rope. If he could do it the 'doctor' pronounced him fit. He was on board only a few minutes, then over the side he was and gone."
"When the old man bid him goodbye he turned and started walking aft. He had a little grin on his face."
However, Redvers Smith stayed aboard the BIANCA and sailed with her to England, where the vessel took on scrap for Dunedin, New Zealand. This experience led to his promotion and further adventure on the high seas.

4-H Development Foundation

The 1975 meeting of the B.C. 4-H Advisory Council made the decision to establish the B.C. 4-H Youth Development Foundation at its annual meeting in January, 1976. The advisory council is composed of 4-H leader representatives from all the district 4-H councils in the province, including those from this area.
This initiative was taken to provide monies for additional 4-H programs during the year. The concept of a foundation is that a sum of money will be raised and invested. The interest from this investment would be utilized to provide for these additional 4-H programs. The B.C. 4-H advisory council target for this principle amount is \$100,000. Running concurrently with a general fund raising involving the private sector is to be a per member assessment of \$1 per year. This per member assessment period is set for a minimum of five years. It was the feeling of the council that 4-H members should have an investment in this program which will directly benefit them.

Exercise Involves Many Ships
VICTORIA — More than 200 merchant vessels will participate in an Allied naval control of shipping communications exercise, Redcoat '76, to be conducted in the Pacific January 19-30. The ships involved will not disrupt their normal commercial operations during the exercise.

Redcoat '76 is primarily a communications exercise designed to test plans and procedures for the control and protection of civilian merchant shipping in the event of war or other national emergency. Participating countries include Australia, Canada, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the United States.

The exercise is under the over-all direction of Vice-Admiral Robert P. Coogan, USN, Commander Third Fleet with headquarters at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Maritime Forces Pacific operations will be under the control of its commander, Rear-Admiral A.L. Collier of Esquimalt.

CAR ACCIDENT
K.F. Adams of 7930 West Saanich Road backed into a parked car belonging to Mrs. Deb Slatton, 9220 Loehside Drive last week.

provincial 4-H club week, the Pacific National Exhibition, public speaking contests and others. It was the feeling of the council that it would like the opportunity to design at least one specific 4-H program annually in addition to the programs already in place.

Additional 4-H programming could vary from year to year at the discretion of the council. There is a need for additional programs to retain the interest of the intermediate (11-12) 4-H member. Programs could be designed to fill these needs as identified by the council. It is important to remember and emphasize that the B.C. 4-H Youth Development Foundation is a project initiated at the district 4-H council level. Support from the 4-H club member up is essential for its success. Anyone who is interested in learning more about the foundation should contact the local 4-H council in their district, the regional 4-H specialist or the youth development branch of the B.C. Department of Agriculture in Victoria.

World Class Club Denied Funds

Central Saanich council decided to retain its policy of not giving grants to local organizations regardless of whether or not these organizations are receiving donations from neighboring municipalities.
Earlier this month had rejected a request from Bates Fastball Club to assist in defraying expenses while the group attends the World Championship games in New Zealand this February.

At this week's council meeting, however, Mayor Jean Butler brought to council's attention that Sidney had contributed \$150 to the ball club for the trip.
But Ald. Donald MacLaurin pointed out, "If we adopt a policy of no grants, we should stick to it."
"Applications are getting larger each year," added Ald. Ray Lamont.
Council was in agreement that the rejection of the request for financial assistance be left as is.

SEARCH AND RESCUE TRAINING

Thursdays 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. for eight weeks starting 29 January 1976. This course is conducted by the Sidney-North Saanich-Central Saanich Emergency Programme and trains volunteers to participate in ground searches.

Instruction is given in map reading, use of compass, use and care of ropes, basic knots, plotting a search, and practical training in search and rescue techniques. The course is free of charge and is limited to twelve candidates who must be between 18 and 55 and in good health. To enrol phone 656-2005 or 656-2335.

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'Every Husky Dog In Town Sat Down And Bayed In Dismay . . .'

Archdeacon Raymond Horsefield, Third Street, has penned the following article on one incident of his life which took place during his 30 years of ministry to native Indians in Canada's North country.

By Archdeacon Raymond Horsefield
One day word reached our northern Manitoba town that Lord Tweedsmuir, then governor-general of Canada, was honouring us with a visit and would be accompanied by his lady, his brother, his sister (Miss Anna Buchan, who used to write under the name of O. Douglas), his sons Alastair and John, aides de camp, and other members of his staff.
Our mayor was a self-made man who had come to town many years before as an itinerant fur-buyer, and by sheer hard work coupled with thrift and an eye for a good investment had risen to own and operate a thriving general store where the trapper and prospector could outfit themselves with everything necessary to the outer and inner man, and even a fancy dress for a fancy lady on occasion.

He and his mayoress were plump little people of kindly ways. It was a privilege for a gentile like me to be invited to their home now and then and to observe the faithful keeping of the old traditions: the mezuzah on the doorpost faithfully saluted as they went in and out, the separate dishes for "milk" and "meat" and even special dish towels to wipe them with, the appropriate special foods for special days, such as Hamantaschen on Purim, though they had forgotten who Haman was, or why they should ridicule him by eating cookies shaped to represent his purse.

When the great news arrived, the mayor called for an emergency meeting of the Town Council to make preparations. "We must have the town band out, of course," he said.

"But we have no town

band," was the discouraging reply.

"Nonsense!" cried our sturdy little mayor. "We used to have a band."

"Yes, but that was a long time ago. They have not performed for years and the players are all long ago scattered, some of them dead, some moved away, and some too old to play."

"Well, round them up! The town spent a lot of money on those trumpets and things and they must be around somewhere, and there must be people who can play them. Get them out here!"

An urgent appeal was put in the local paper on the Tuesday, calling for a band practice at the railway station the following evening, to be directed by Charlie Hill, the choir-master of the Anglican church.

The result was memorable. The surviving members of the old band, together with a dozen perspiring aspirants, all soloists, struggling against a horde of hungry mosquitoes that had no soul for music, while every husky dog in town sat back on its haunches and bayed dismay at the resulting cacophonies.

Unfortunate Choirmaster
The unfortunate choir-master called the practice off, announcing that they would try again the next evening and on Friday, and would the citizens kindly keep their dogs at home. By late Friday the band felt that they had mastered the National Anthem, though it would have taken a very charitable adjudicator to call it even a draw. Came Saturday, the day of the Visitation.

Early in the morning the viceregal train chuffed into the station and stood there panting gently with all its blinds tactfully lowered on the platform side lest the distinguished visitors should be thought to be spying on the town's last-minute confusions. The official "time of arrival" was not until eleven.

Invitations had been hurriedly sent out to certain

"somebodies" — by which the mayor meant himself, his lady, his councillors, the chief of police (a one-man force), the war veterans, the "reverends" (as he always called the clergy) and the leaders of various kinds of uplift, such as the Social Welfare Committee, the Adult Education Council, the Women's Institute and so on.

These were directed to be at the station at half past ten. Of course we were all there in our best bibs and tuckers, drawn up in a long, expectant line on the platform, facing the shuttered train. A sudden bustle, and a distraught alderman hurried up with an enormous sheaf of gladiolus which he thrust into my hands.

I didn't want it, so promptly passed it to my wife. But neither did she want it, and I whispered, "Pass it on!" She was flanked, however, on the other side by the Salvation Army captain, a stolid Scandinavian, who would have nothing to do with so frivolous an object, so she was left holding it. None of us knew what to do with it, and the mayor was too busy chasing the inevitable intrusive small boy and his dog to have time to instruct us.

The flowers, no doubt, were for Lady Tweedsmuir, but who was to present them, and when, and where, and how? Shortly the mayor returned with the small girl who was to make the offering, the daughter of a respected town clerk, recently deceased, and Ethel was relieved of the flowers and the anxiety together.

There was a small amount of quiet movement going on at one end of the viceregal car, but nobody paid much attention. We were all trying to decide what to do about the posies. The mayor and the little girl stood facing our line-up, with their backs to the train, the former dabbing at his shining pate with a spotted bandanna held in his right hand, while his left hand kept up a nervous jiggling of keys in his pants pocket, and the little girl was getting more and more confused by contradictory instructions from all sides.

All of a sudden we realised

that Their Excellencies had alighted from the train and were standing patiently waiting for someone to be so kind as to take a little notice of them. It is unlikely that any governor-general was ever received with a ruder indifference. We were all so horrified that nobody thought to start a cheer, but we stood like a row of naughty children caught at the cookie jar.

Terrific Din
An aide-de-camp took hold of the situation by the mayor's elbow and led His Worship forward to be presented. A terrific din broke out at the far end of the platform and we saw the governor-general stiffen to attention. Horrors again! That must have been meant for the National Anthem, and none of us had recognized it. We all shuffled to attention as best we could and tried to look as if we had been standing that way for hours — all except Mr. Mayor, who continued to slouch with one hand in his pocket, jingling keys, while the other scratched the back of his head. Happily he had taken his hat off to be presented.

The "music" over, Their Excellencies were led down the line, the mayor mumbly presenting us to Lord Tweedsmuir, while the deputy mayor, in a wonderful state of perspiring anxiety, performed the same office for his lady. None of our ladies remembered the curtsy they had been practising all week and few of the men remembered to bow.

But the little girl presented the bouquet quite charmingly after all, and the governor-general was speechified at by our mayor and made in return what we assumed to be a pleasant little speech of thanks in English and French — but nobody heard it as a mile-long train of empty grain cars returning from Churchill chose that moment to go through the station.

Inspection of the town's "historic" Christ Church — then all of 45 years old but incorporating some of the furnishings made for an earlier building in 1847 — was followed by the whole party climbing back into cars and driving 120 yards to the cenotaph, a simple pillar

topped by what looked like a leafy pineapple but was locally believed to represent a flaming torch.

Here the governor-general deposited a wreath and a cornet owner gave a rendering of the Last Post that can most kindly be described as surprising, after which he started in on Reveille, and all the people who had begun to wander away came to a ragged attention, wondering whether he was trying to do the Last Post over again or merely put in a bit he had forgotten.

The viceregal party went on to Churchill and ten days later returned to us. Lady Tweedsmuir and Miss Buchan were taken to tea at the home of the local industrial magnate and there met the members of the Women's Institute, one of whom, with a rare talent for putting her foot in it, asked Miss Buchan, "And how many children have you now, my dear?"

Meanwhile I was privileged to ride with His Excellency and the Honorable John around the Indian Reserve, for the Indians, insisting that they are wards of the Crown, claimed some special notice from the Crown's personal representative, and I was

invited to act as interpreter as needed.

Now the Indians have their own way of doing things. The chief and his councillors were to welcome His Excellency at the school at the furthest end of the reserve, thus making sure he saw it all. The day was hot, and the chief's uniform consisted of a double-breasted reefer jacket of heavy blue serge, with gold-coloured braid on collar and cuffs, a black felt hat with a gold band, and pants of some tremendous hairy material like a buffalo's mane, with a broad red stripe down the outseam. The councillors' uniforms were the same except that they lacked the gold braid. The chief also wore a saucer-sized medal presented to one of his predecessors by a long-gone governor-general.

There was no point in his burdening himself with so much finery on so hot a day before it was absolutely necessary, so the viceregal car, pennant flying, drew up with a flourish before the schoolhouse steps to find the chief reclining at his ease, shirt-sleeved and unbuttoned, on the top step. No whit abashed, he tucked his flag under his arm, ambled over to the flagstaff and hoisted it,

and only then put on his jacket, buttoned himself and strolled over to inspect his distinguished guests and to shake hands and present a letter containing words of welcome and (not to miss a golden opportunity) complaint and petition of rights.

Honorary Chief

The governor-general alighted from his car and met the chief most courteously, hat in hand, read his letter and undertook to forward it to the proper authorities. Then he went on to say that he too was an honorary chief of the Crees, and that his Cree name was Atu... er, Atuy... er (but he could not get it out). The Hon. John also tried and failed to manage it, so that it was left to me to tell him that his name was Oot-aah-tuh-yoo-kayo, the Story Teller (for this was, of course, John Buchan, the author.)

Life on the Reserve 40 years

ago was still fairly primitive. Water was scarce and not universally admired and the muddy Saskatchewan River was not in any case the best of cleansing agents. But many of the people bore proud Scottish names which they had annexed in intended compliment to various Hudson's Bay Company officers when first it became necessary for them to have Christian names and surnames. As we drove along the governor-general would ask me, "Who is that man?" or "What's his name?"

We came upon an outstandingly unkempt specimen who appeared to be returning from cleaning out a cow-bye, or from sleeping in it. "And who is that?" asked His Excellency, and on my answering with an honoured Scots name, turned to his son and said with a grin, "Another of your mother's cousins, no doubt!"

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ST. PAUL'S U.C.W.
The January meeting of St. Paul's U.C.W., held on January 7th, was mainly devoted to planning events for the coming year. The members hope to hold either a Bargain Bazaar or Dutch Auction around mid-March. The May Tea will be held on May 8th, and the Fall Bazaar is planned for November 20th. The Church Annual meeting will be held on Feb. 9th, and the Social Committee of the U.C.W. is in charge of the arrangements to hold a potluck supper before the meeting. The U.C.W. has offered to help out financially a delegate to the Parksville Conference late in January. At present nine persons plan to attend.
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Why has this cat such a proud look? See story page 11

Action On Ditch Requested By Doctor
 North Saanich council was recently asked to take action on the alleged inadequacy of the municipal drainage ditch on part of Wain Road.
 Dr. and Mrs. T.D. Johnson stated in their letter to council they have experienced flooding on their property at 430 Wain Road for the past three years, and because of the poor drainage have had to have the driveway built up with a total cost of \$200.
 The Johnsons said they have approached council on this matter each winter and have asked the council for action in the near future.



Looking as confident as a Hollywood actress is this young lady minutes before she was due to go on stage in a recent school play held at Sidney Elementary School.



WHILST DRIVING DOWN Tatlow road last Wednesday morning Florence Ross, 976 Land's End road, heard "a strange rattle" in her car. On attempting to investigate this noise she collided with a large fir tree; although the lady was not hurt the car did suffer some \$300 worth of damages. RCMP Constable Tom Brown attended the scene.

ON THE OUTSIDE

FULFORD HARBOR TIDES

Wed.	21	0045	3.5	0800	11.8	1435	5.7	1955	8.3
Thur.	22	0135	4.8	0835	11.8	1545	4.8	2130	8.1
Fri.	23	0220	6.2	0910	11.7	1640	3.9	2330	8.3
Sat.	24	0305	7.6	0955	11.5	1740	3.1		
Sun.	25	0130	9.1	0435	8.7	1035	11.2	1835	2.6
Mon.	26	0310	9.9	0625	9.4	1120	11.0	1930	2.1
Tue.	27	0400	10.6	0755	9.6	1205	10.7	2025	1.8
Wed.	28	0430	11.0	0905	9.5	1300	10.5	2115	1.7

WEATHER

Environment Service for the week ending Jan. 18.	Precipitation Total	2.05
Max. Temp. (Jan. 17)	Sunshine	9.2 Hrs.
Min. Temp. (Jan. 12)		
Mean Temp.		
Rain		
Total Precipitation		133.8mm
Meteorological for the week ending Jan. 18. Furnished by the Research Station, Sidney.		
Max. Temp. (Jan. 17)		11C
Min. Temp. (Jan. 13)		-1C
Min. on grass		-4C

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Folk Dance (International)		Thursdays	8:00 p.m.	\$25 / couple 10 sessions \$13 / single \$2 per night
Ladies' Keep Fit	Brentwood Com. Hall	Mon. Wed.	9:30 a.m.	10 sessions / \$15
Noon Hour Keep Fit	Sanscha	Mon. Wed. Fri.	12 Noon	
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PENINSULA RECREATION — 656-6342.

Two Car Crash

Thelma Fisher, 4974 Hovey Road, and Jennette Taylor, 2020 Skyline, were involved in a two-car collision on Central Saanich Road, near East Saanich.

No one was injured, but vehicle damage amounted to \$550.

Deer Killed

An injured deer lying on the highway near the B.C. Ferry Terminal was reported to Sidney RCMP Tuesday morning.

The deer was removed and disposed of.

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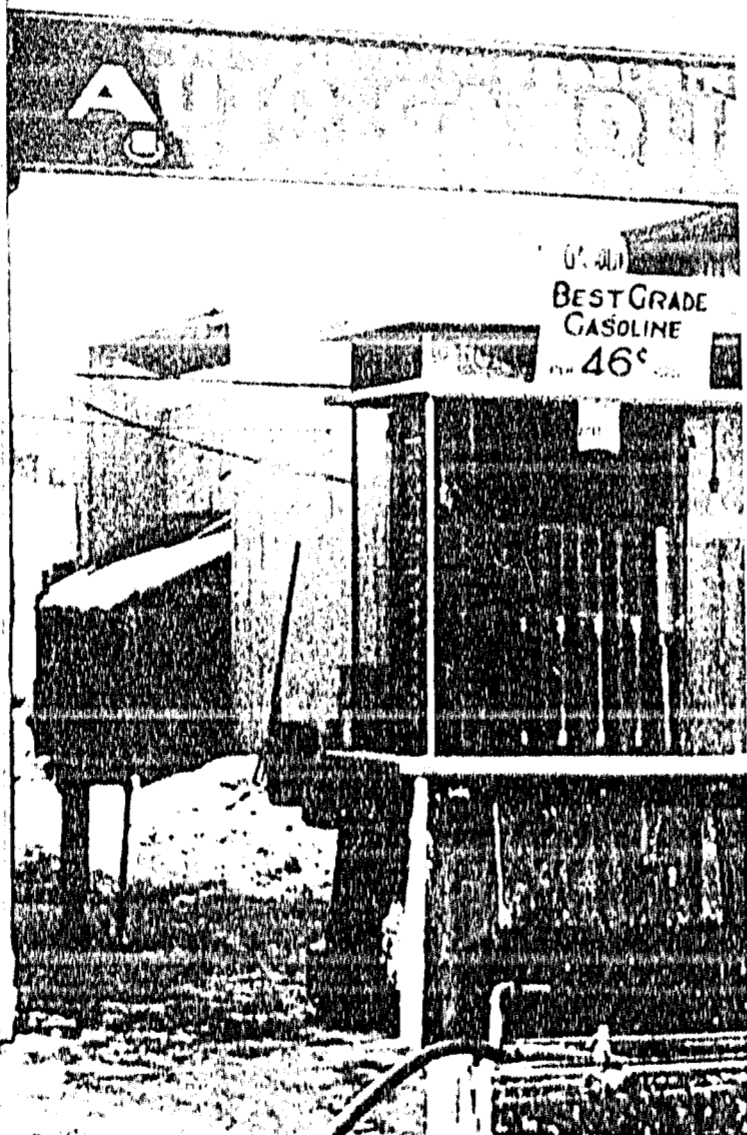
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The Imperial Oil Review of May, 1920, ran a story about a new way for motorists to fill their gas tanks. It was described, in the phrase of the 20s, as a "large auto-filling station". What it was, though, was a self-serve gas station. Here's what it looked like and how it was described:
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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more can be fooled all the time and we see the results from the effects of his tales and fraudulent misinterpretation of the true facts. If Barrett did no more than freeze the good farm land the 3 years in power he did more bar none than any Premier before him for our generations to come. Again why did the people vote Trudeau in a Prime Minister. This man has down graded Canada 75 per cent. Near 250 million for bilingualism, meaning two languages. But Quebec is defying English and it said, don't want it in the Province.

Now the people in B.C. have turned there back on a tested working Government for the people. Why? Only children a red wagon today blue tomorrow and have voted in uninterest, untried Government on promises only.

If Bill Bennett had honestly told the people the truth of the scores of good legislation for them by the Government he would not have a chance and may have lost his own riding, if people had started thinking. C.E. Hanson
1726 Wains Rd.

Editor, The Review, Sir: Whatever happened to the socialism I was to participate in and enjoy for the rest of my life? This my thought looking back to the early nineteen hundreds. From an early age I cycled. When old enough I wanted to join the big national club; but found the fees too steep.

There was another nationwide club; the "Clarion". To join cost nothing; merely be a socialist, or as in my case say so. The economic side of socialism was wholly just: the only way to improve the lot of man. One doesn't necessarily have to believe in fellowship to be a socialist. But the Clarion brand did just this.

Each member was greeted as a brother in any part of the country he happened to be. It was wholly delightful. I did see a new Heaven and a new Earth. As with Handel as he wrote the Messiah "I did think I did see all Heaven before me."

Part of the activities of the club was distributing literature; P.O.P.'s Pass On Pamphlets which were left in villages we visited. Clarion clubs were to the fore in charity work tho' that word never was used. It would be 1905 we had - along with Quaker people - a soup van and stall that winter in Manchester. I helped on occasion; it was quite an experience, and for all I think, a travesty.

Not often did those in dire need turn up. Recipients galore, but products of our system: something for nothing. In the end little but bewilderment of thought about the whole effort. It is nice to think of the church of England parson who on his weekly visit got a penny-worth of soup and left a shilling; of the gentleman who gave ten pounds for one bowl.

There were men in those days. I also remember the nights were very cold. I never possessed an overcoat and my chest felt the cold at all times. This undoubtedly shortened my life; I'll never reach 150. This of course was a by-the-way if an eye-opener, and but a spur to bring about the socialism we all believed in. It was a noble effort but futile. To again quote Handel it "was despised; rejected of men." This through the lies told which continue to this day. Socialism, along with other ism's belongs in our schools.

It will be fifty years or so since I spoke to Howard Scott of Technocracy. His - or their - approach to economics was scientific research and application. I was about to say for the betterment of man's lot. Perhaps not, tho' this would be the result.

When I suggested that was the goal of socialism Scott wanted to know how we proposed to bring this about. I said, "Well, if you don't choose to join us we will hire you." Can I portray the look of disgust? "The likes of you bring the likes of us!"

That as may be. I thought well of the C.C.F. but as before remarked they sold their birthright for a mess of votes. And now the N.D.P. who after all never said they were socialist. Let it be said without equivocation socialism is production for use; that and nothing else. Anyway, from

now on I am looking for a life of ease. But every since the snips of Shakespeare we had at school I have wondered and leave to your readers to wonder if "We are such stuff As dreams are made on and our little life is rounded with a sleep". Nothing more? If all this is concomitant to my ninety years, forgive me and for the last time give me space. F.A. Thornley

Editor, The Review, Sir: Because the former Minister of Consumer Services has made a number of statements to the media concerning canning lids, I would like to take this opportunity to make the position of my Department perfectly clear.

First of all, we are no less concerned that the former Minister about the problem of the supply of canning lids and the effect that that has upon people who wish to do their own canning. We only differ in the method of solving the problem.

The former Minister feels that the difficulties will be solved if everyone who requires canning lids writes to my Department and advises me of their needs. There are a number of reasons why this is not a sensible approach to take.

First of all, my mail indicates that a great many people have misunderstood the suggestion to mean that our Department will transmit orders for canning lids and see that they are filled by

manufacturers. This of course we are totally unequipped to do and even if we did undertake such a task it is obviously not what a Government Department ought to undertake. Secondly, the former Minister misses a very obvious point.

Unless everybody who requires canning lids made their needs known, any statistics we get would be absolutely meaningless and unquestionably would result in a serious shortage of supplies. It is a matter of simple mathematics. If only one-half of the people requiring canning lids make their requirements known to my Department and this information is passed on to the manufacturers and suppliers, only one-half of the

requirements of the community will in fact be supplied. Since there is no way of knowing what percentage of requirements have been reported to us, any statistics we pass on to the suppliers would not only be meaningless, but would serve to create a greater problem than already exists.

I have asked our research division to work in conjunction with consumer groups and do everything possible to alleviate this recurring situation.

While I certainly don't wish to get into any unseemly discussion by mail with the former Minister, our records indicate that she was no more prepared to have the Department act as a clearinghouse for canning lid

supplies than I am. I want to make it clear however, that I am prepared to see that everything humanly possible is done by this Department and agencies with which it works, to solve this problem. Yours very truly, K. Rafe Mair, Minister of Consumer Services Government of British Columbia

NEW EXECUTIVE FOR BEEF CLUB The Saanich Peninsula Beef Club's new executive for the coming year is: President, Doug Lane; Treasurer, Wendy Chung; Secretary, Deena Smith; Vice-President, Mike Jollymore; and Social Convener, Bill Kelly.

Expenses Up The annual Fireman's Appreciation Dinner held by the Town of Sidney to honor its volunteer firemen could cost \$1000 this year.

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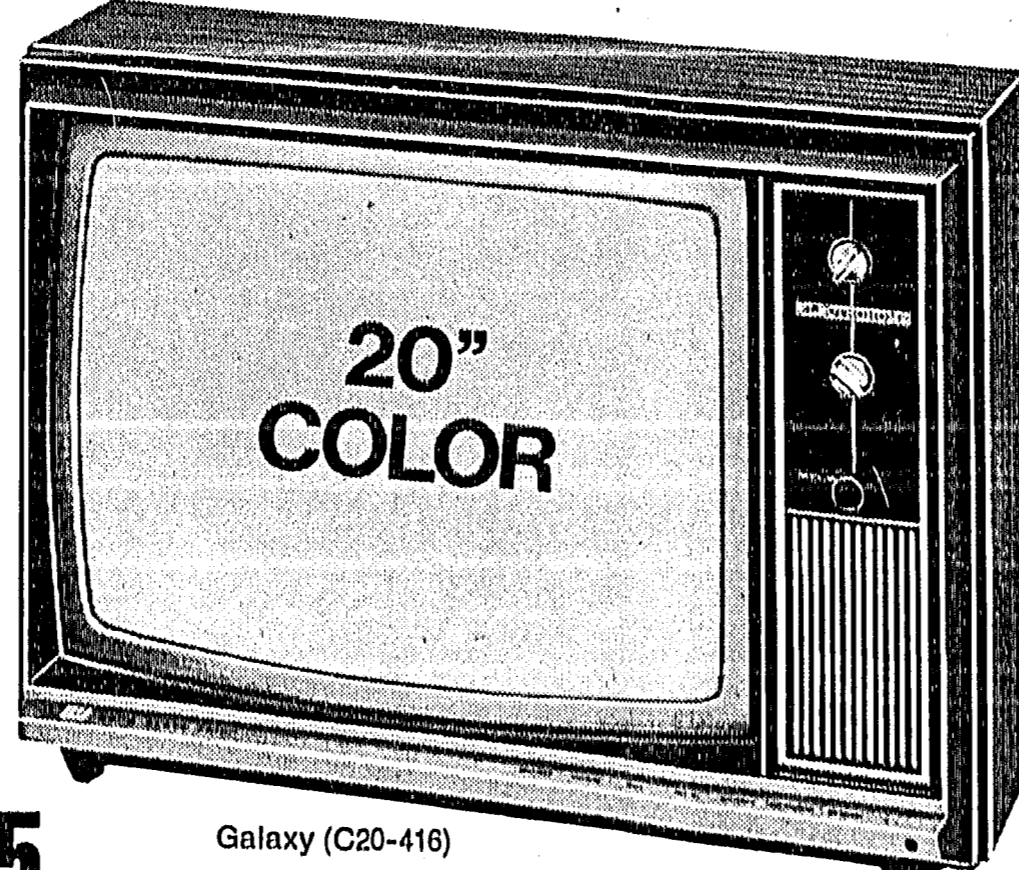
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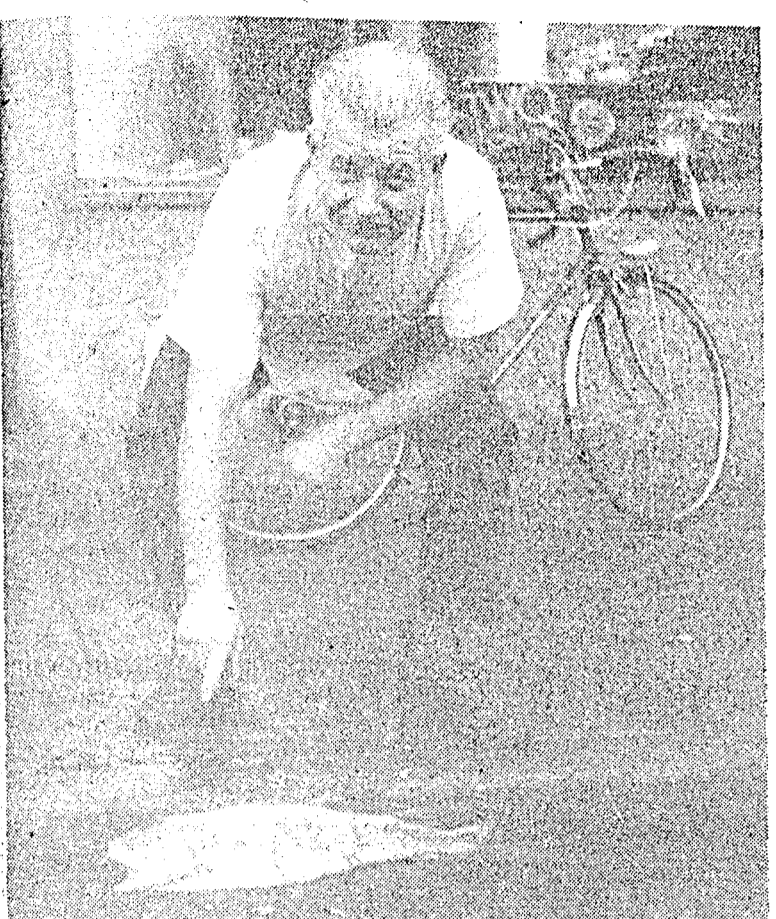
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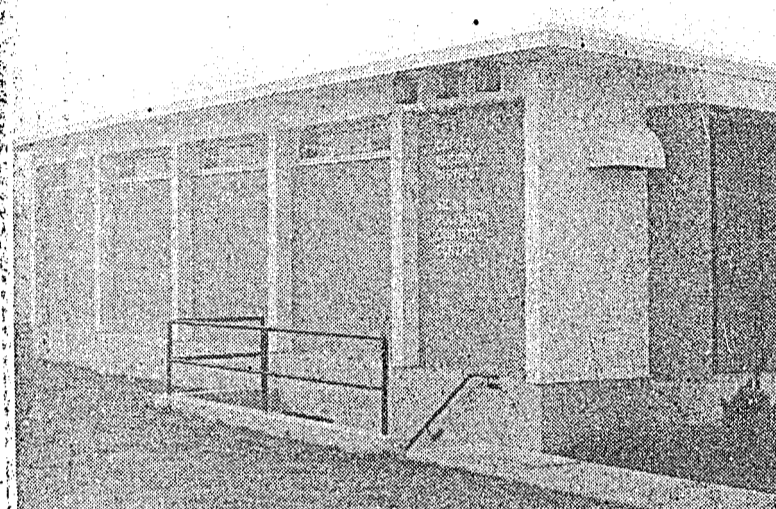
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When Larry Gudmundson went to work last Wednesday morning, he found this expired gray cod outside his Beacon avenue barber shop. With all the rain we have had recently one can only assume that this piscatorial paddler was an escapee from Don Norburys fish market.



Sidney Pollution Control Center

Sidney Sewage Plant Taken Over

Sidney will still have to pay wage and maintenance bills but, as of Feb. 2, the municipality's Pollution Control Centre will be taken over by the Capital Region. Mayor Peter Malcolm said Tuesday Sidney will not save a dime and may, in fact, have to spend a little more. "But we hope to get better service and better operation of the plant." "Because the sewage system

Sanscha Hall Given Name Many Years Ago

Have you ever wondered how Sanscha Hall got its name? Unless you are an "oldtimer" of this area, perhaps you have never heard. The name SANSCHA comes from the initials of the organization that operates the hall and grounds — the Sidney and North Saanich Community Hall Association.

Many years ago, a group of local residents joined together to form the Sidney and North Saanich War Memorial Park Society. They acquired land, and built Sanscha Hall, mostly by volunteer labour, and with much of the material donated by local merchants.

To ensure that the Hall and grounds would continue to be used "in perpetuity by the residents of the northern portion of the Saanich Peninsula for community, cultural, athletic and recreational purposes", this Society sold the land and premises to the Royal Trust Company, for \$1.00.

The Trust Company, in turn, leased the property to a newly-formed group, the Sidney and North Saanich Community Hall Association, a society incorporated under the provisions of the "Societies Act" of the Province of British Columbia.

This Association is charged with the responsibility of operating and maintaining the property, and promoting the various activities for which the grounds and buildings were originally acquired.

Along the way, a house and lot on Orchard Avenue, commonly known as "the Clubhouse", was also acquired.

The Hall and Clubhouse are used extensively by the Peninsula Recreation Commission to conduct some of their many and varied activities — crafts, badminton, family nights, yoga, roller skating, keep-fit classes.

The Clubhouse is also used by the Sidney Teen Activity Group (STAG) and the Hall for Kinsmen's Bingo, flea markets, dances, dog obedience classes, dog shows,

cat shows, banquets, rifle shooting practice, dancing classes and concerts.

The grounds are kept busy during most of the year with soccer, soft ball, baseball, rugby and special events such as Sidney Days.

Membership in the Association is open to all residents of North Saanich, Sidney and Central Saanich. Each year, at an Annual Meeting, a number of members of S.A.N.S.C.H.A. are elected to serve on the Board of Directors. It is the members of this Board that see to the day-to-day operation of the Hall and grounds.

The Annual Meeting this year is scheduled for Thursday, January 29th, at 8:00 p.m. in Sanscha Hall. All members of the Association are urged to attend, and new members would be most welcome.

PETITION PRESENTED

A petition signed by 12 people was presented to Central Saanich council this week requesting that the one-way streets at the west end of Stelly's X Road be investigated, and charging that at times it is dangerous.

A letter written by local resident Mr. N. Grabas asked council to reconsider the by-law which made the streets from Peden Lane to Harding one-way and to consider making changes along that route:

1. To post a children sign
2. To post a residential parking only sign
3. To remove dirt build up along a particular corner
4. To pave this portion of the road to proper width

"Perhaps the whole public works set up in that area needs a complete overhaul," suggested Ald. Frank Waring, adding there is a drainage problem in that whole area.

Ald. Donald MacLaurin said that at the time of conversion to a one-way traffic pattern it was felt that all the residents of the area agreed with the move.


Recreation News In Review

Registrations for activities being conducted by Peninsula Recreation during the next three months are still being received. Late registrants are reminded phone 656-6342 for up-to-date information. There are still a few vacancies in Brentwood Ladies' Keep Fit Classes, Children's Gymn at Mt. Newton School, Men's Keep Fit Classes, and Saturday morning basketball for 12 and under. Children's Basketball, Saturday, 12 and under at Sidney Elementary School.

In addition to the following activities have been added to the original schedule: Mother 'n Tot Gymn, at McTavish School. Children's Badminton Classes at Deep Cove School., Teen Badminton group on Wednesdays at Sanscha at 5 p.m. Folk Dance (International) now going to Deep Cove School on Thursday at 8 p.m.

Activities postponed this week for 1 session only are Children's Roller Skating, and Children's Art Classes at Sanscha. Leaders and instructors are looking forward to have everyone out for the following week, January 31. The assistance of volunteers at the recent registration periods was much appreciated. Their efficiency, willingness and co-operation contributed to the smooth-running of the registration periods, and did much to facilitate the processing and registering of so many participants. Those who helped were: Brentwood (Mrs. Dorothy O'Brien), Sanscha, (Mrs. Jean Jackson, Mrs. Anne Morrey and Luke Brodeur.

Volunteers are now being recruited to assist in the planning and conducting of the Cakewalk to be held on Friday, February 13. Proceeds going towards Recreation equipment. Anyone interested in helping is asked to attend the weekly Coffee Hour, Tuesdays at 2 p.m. at Sanscha. If unable to attend a phone call to the Recreation office will let us know of your interest.

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St. John Ambulance Certificates Awarded
St. John Ambulance Certificates in Senior First Aid have been awarded to 15 peninsula residents who qualified through training received in a First Aid evening class sponsored by the Continuing Education Division of the Saanich School Board. The instructor was Cathy Simon.
Those who qualified are: Jeffery Beddoes, Joan Beddoes, Chris Benson, Lyn Benson, Betty Gordon, Janet Grondin, Linda Hunt, Diana Inouye, Wayne King, Margaret Leahy, Peter Metcalfe, Gillian Pepper, Colin Ruffles, Lenore Smith, Margaret White.

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Marilyn Rexilius and her son Eric take a moment out to play with their rare 'Havana Brown' cats.

CAT BECOMES GRAND CHAMPION

A three year old Wains Road feline recently became the 12th Grand Champion of her class in North America. Erin, a 'Havana Brown' defeated 150 champions in five shows to achieve her status.

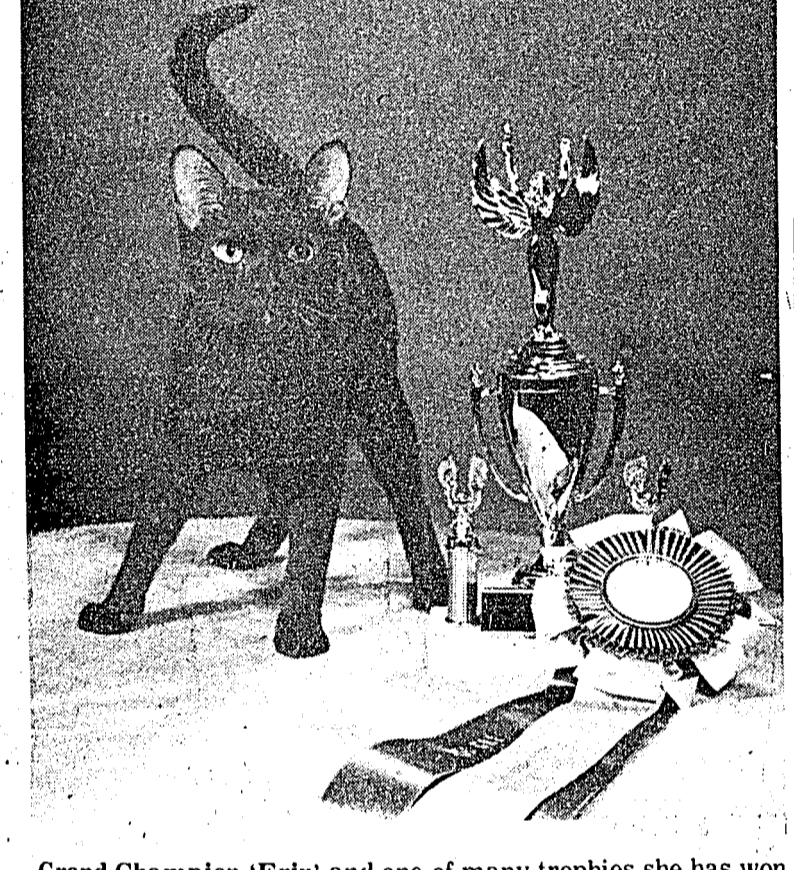
Championship," Marilyn told The Review this week. "I burst into tears when the judge announced it."

Three year old Erin now has had two litters and some of her offspring are already destined for the show ring.

She is the first cat Marilyn and Roger Rexilius have entered into competition showing.

A Havana Brown is a composite breed, first officially recognized 25 years ago; the strain was developed by breeding Siamese, Domestic Black and Russian Blue's...

Once it has been entered into a show, a cat is judged on its overall physical condition; notice is also paid to the slant of its eyes, whiskers, length of its tail, and ear set.



Grand Champion 'Erin' and one of many trophies she has won.

MUNICIPAL HALL MAY ISSUE INSURANCE

Central Saanich residents may be able to renew their ICBC insurance and obtain their license plates from their local municipal hall if council decides to go into the insurance business.

Discussion came up in council this week concerning the 20 some vehicles belonging to the municipality, and a possible one mil increase to the taxpayers to cover the costs of insurance agents.

But there was some dissent within council. "I don't think the municipalities should get involved in a commercial

enterprise," said Ald. Frank Waring. Ald. Dave Hill agreed with the opposition, "We're looking at nothing but problems," he responded to claims of little paperwork involved.

It was decided to refer the matter to the finance committee for investigation.

ST.A.G. News in Review Jan. 21 - Gym Night at Sidney Elementary School - 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Judo and Floor Hockey. Clubhouse open 7 - 9:30 p.m.

Jan. 22 - Arts & Crafts - Leather work and the Clubhouse 7 - 9:30 p.m. Jan. 23 - Ice Skating Party - George Pearke's Arena - Bus leaves Sanscha Hall 6 p.m.

SHARP Members \$1.00; Non-members \$1.25 - Ice Skates not included Clubhouse open 7-11 p.m.

Jan. 24th - Clubhouse open 1-4 p.m. and 7 - 11 p.m. Jan. 25 - Clubhouse open 12-4 p.m.

Jan. 27 - Arts & Crafts 7-9:30 p.m. at Clubhouse.

POLICE PRESENT PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Central Saanich Police Board presented its preliminary budget for 1976 to council this week, and Mayor Jean Butler recommended that it be approved.

The budget of \$252,550 is an increase from 1975, but it was pointed out to council that the increases represent payroll and other things that cannot be controlled by the board.

Because the proposed police board's budget is approximately what Central Saanich had originally allocated, it was decided to remove the adoption of the municipal provisional budget regarding the police budget.

This brings the provisional budget for the municipality up to \$1,816,230.

DOCTOR INJURED

Dr. Robert William Griffiths, 2316 Amelia, sustained a sore wrist when his right brakes grabbed and pulled him into a ditch as he was attempting to enter onto the highway from MacDonald Park Road last week.

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REMODELLING JOB COULD LEAD TO 'ESCAPE-PROOF' CRYPT

By JACK SCOTT
This remodelling job we're having done on Offhand Manor, our first go at trying to shape a house to fit our personalities instead of the other way about, has me in a curious kind of dither.

Lord knows it is exciting. I spend so many of my waking hours unobtrusively standing in corners watching the work in progress that it's a wonder they haven't nailed a board to me.

Each day the transformation becomes more apparent and brings that kind of accelerating satisfaction that we associate with jig-saw or crossword puzzles. Yet with the surface glow of anticipation, I must confess, there's a deeper tug of trepidation.

It is nothing as simple as the doleful contemplation of the repayment of the loan. I am hardened, as most of us are, to mortgaging the future. Long years of exposure have given me note-immunity. My apprehension comes, instead, from the subliminal awareness that those hammer blows aimed at the new woodwork may also be nailing back my wings.

Every man, I fancy, has the conflict of mixed emotions on that occasion, early or late, when he reaches the threshold of being house-proud. While his wife contemplates the new or remodelled nest with absolute delight and counts it a

moment of solid achievement the male may have terrible pangs of doubt and a wild moment of wondering if, perhaps, voluntarily, he hasn't fashioned his own escape-proof crypt.

PRIZE AND A BURDEN
Only a man would understand that any new possession may be both a prize and a burden and this, I suppose, is why women are better suited to the climate of materialism than the male.

There are females who, gifted with an expensive mink stole, are utterly content. They are realists. They like things and acquire or accept them as accomplishments. A man, on the other hand, is much more complicated. His

delight in new possessions will be tempered instantly with worries about the article's upkeep or the depreciation of built-in obsolescence or its resale value.

These are all manifestations of his inner, subconscious awareness that the more he's draped in the trappings of comfort or luxury the more he's restricted in his manoeuvrability. The weight of the hardware of Suburbia just naturally makes a man less mobile. Possessions, in short, are anchors.

He is like the Gypsy who has fallen upon good times and has acquired so many caravans, horses, violins, baubles, bangles, pots, pans, women and wine that he's no longer

able to make it to the open road.

Down deep, indeed, men have a natural repugnance for ownership which inevitably means a loss of independence, a shouldering of extra responsibility. It explains why so many men are pathetically fond of camping, of braving the elements with the bare essentials, and thus enjoying the temporary illusion of freedom.

MOST REWARDING
The new or remodelled house is, of course, the most rewarding and most formidable of all acquisitions and

naturally invites excessive pride or excessive panic.

A woman looks at it and sees the dream come true, the fruition of years of sacrifice and hopes and plans. The man looks at it, pretending to feel the same way, and somewhere inside him a thin, small voice is saying, "There goes that idea of sailing around the world in a 36-foot ketch."


He responds on cue to his wife's admiration of the splendid new living room walls of yellow cedar and suddenly they seem 140 feet high and made of stone. He contemplates the

cumulative demands of newness, the automatic furnace leading to the wall-to-wall carpeting, the wall-to-wall carpeting leading to the built-in oven, the whole familiar progression of accumulation, and feels the final, irrevocable net of domesticity settling over him. Hello, new house, and goodbye Tahiti.

Nobody is happier than I that very soon we'll have, at long last, a place we can really call our own, but I have never been owned by a house before and it takes some getting used to.



Stephen Moichi Shewring, born January 9, was Rest Haven's first baby for 1976. Stephen, who weighed 7½ pounds at birth, lives at 2039 Melville Drive with his mother, Akiko, his father, Peter, and his two sisters, Leslie, 3, and Diane, 14 months.

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SPECIAL MEETING HELD IN CENTRAL SAANICH

Central Saanich council held a special council meeting Monday evening to make the ad hoc committee appointments.

Alderman Dave Hill and Alderman Frank Waring were appointed to the Peninsula Recreation Commission, along with Central Saanich resident Mr. Andy Bryant, for a period of one year.

Mrs. Isabel Jones and Reverend John Woods joined the six member-at-large committee of the Advisory Planning Commission for three-year terms. The Planning Commission consists of members of Central

Saanich council, the school board, and six members of the community.

Alderman George MacFarland was chosen as representative to the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board.

Appointees to the ad hoc steering committee for the Recreation Commission are Alderman Dave Hill and Alderman George MacFarland.

Standard Set
The Town of Sidney has set a minimum standard 28' for road paving.

OBITUARIES

BRUCE

At Rest Haven Hospital, Sidney, B.C., on January 12, 1976, Wyndham V. Bruce, age 88 years, Assistant Commissioner R.C.M.P. retired. Born in Mafeking, South Africa, and had been a resident of Vancouver Island since 1944, late residence, 9145 Lochside Drive, Sidney, B.C. He leaves his wife, Jessie, at home, sons, Col. Gordon W., retired Montreal, Que., Staff Sgt. Kenneth E., R.C.M.P., retired, Cobble Hill, B.C., daughter, Enid Blakeney, Sidney, B.C. 4 grandsons, 1 great-grandson.

Service was held in the Sands Funeral Chapel of Roses, Sidney, B.C., on Thursday, January 15, 1976 at 11:00 a.m. Archdeacon R.B. Horsefield officiating.

FABLING

In Victoria, B.C., January 16th, 1976, Valerie Jean Fabling, aged 39 years. Born in London, England, late residence 9502 Greenglad Rd., Sidney, B.C. Beloved mother of Angela, Beth and Julia; also survived by her husband, Clyde Winston; mother, Vera Williams of Sidney; sister Pamela Williams, niece and nephews of California; brother, Gordon and sister-in-law Terry, nephew and niece in England.

Memorial service was held Monday, January 19th, 1976 at 2:00 p.m. in St. Andrews Anglican Church, Sidney, B.C. Rev. Peter Parker officiating. Flowers gratefully declined. Those so desiring may contribute to the Victoria Cancer Clinic, 1900 Fort St. Arrangements by Sands Funeral Chapel of Roses, Sidney, B.C.

KIRKPATRICK

In Sidney, B.C. on January 13, 1976, Mrs. Gertrude Flora Kirkpatrick, aged 83 years. Born in Bournemouth, Hampshire, England, and a resident of Sidney for the past 15 years, late residence 10025 Resthaven Dr. Predeceased by her husband, Jacob, in 1970 and son, Ronald Ian McPhee. She leaves her sons Charles Daniel McPhee, Hope, B.C. and Mack McPhee, Victoria; daughters, Mrs. Margaret Smith, Nanaimo and Mrs. Robin Telford, Victoria; 13 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren.

Service was held in the Sands Funeral Chapel of Roses, Sidney, B.C. on Friday, January 16, 1976 at 3:00 p.m. Rev. Peter Parker officiating.

HILL

At Parksville, on January 18, 1976, Mr. Charles Reginald Hill, aged 51 years, formerly of Victoria and associated for 35 years with Thomas Plimley Ltd. He leaves his loving wife Genevieve; two sons, Charles and Richard of Victoria; daughter, Mrs. W. (Phyllis) Ormiston of Colwood; also grandchildren; his mother, Mrs. Ethel Alice Hill of Brentwood; two uncles, Herbert Clark and Arthur Hill, both of Victoria; two brothers, Lawrence of Parksville and Albert, of Brentwood; two sisters, Dorothy Dobby of Brentwood and Irene Winfield of Surrey. He was a past president of the Saanich Poultry Club.

Funeral service in McCall Bros. Chapel, Johnson and Vancouver Sts. on Thurs., Jan. 22 at 3:15 p.m. with the Rev. Geoffrey Smith officiating. (Flowers gratefully declined. Donations, if desired, may be made to the Heart Fund, 1008 Blanshard St.)

LEE

Mrs. Winnifred Lee, in hospital on Tuesday, December 30, 1975, after a lengthy illness, Winnifred Bleasdel, of 2220 Urbandale Drive, Ottawa, widow by first marriage of George Perram and by second marriage of Lewis Gordon Lee. Dear mother of (Isabelle) Mrs. Fred George of Ottawa and of Kenneth Perram, of Cobourg, Ontario. Beloved mother of Mr. L.G. Lee's children, Mr. G.A. Lee, Victoria, B.C., Mr. C.B. Lee, Ladysmith, B.C., Mrs. Louise Hogan, Prescott, Arizona, Mrs. Lorna Iwaskow, Brentwood Bay, B.C. and Mr. R.B.D. Lee of Bellevue, Wash., U.S.A.

Interment will be at Hatley Park, Victoria, B.C. on Tuesday, January 20, 1976. Memorial services will be held at St. Andrew's Anglican Church 9086-3rd St., Sidney Rev. R.A. Sansom officiating.

FISHENDEN

Mable Alice Fishenden, aged 86 years, passed away in hospital on January 18, 1976. Predeceased by her loving husband, Ernest Fishenden in January 1962, and also predeceased by three brothers. She leaves her loving brother and sister-in-law, Percy and Vi. Oliphant, Apt. 104, 1122 McKenzie St., Victoria; brother and sister-in-law, Walter and Doris

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