Cavalcade
A SMASH HIT!

The Lion's Club First
Annual Cavalcade of Song •
and Dance played to a
packed house on both
nights March 25th & 26th
at Mahon Hall. The acts,
covering music and danc-
ing from the Gay Nineties
to Modern Times, was
greeted with roaring ap-
plause from the enthusi-
astic crowd. The opening
was a special song by the
chorus. This was followed
by more chorus singing
and then the Quartette
took over- with "The Side-
Walks of New York'

and

other songs. This was
followed by the excellent
Flora Dora Girls. This
highlight was followed by
the chorus singing World
War I songs; again follow-
ed by the Quartette sing-
ing old songs of that er-

Then came the Charleston,
one of the major attract-
ions of the evening,
followed by a xylophone
solo by Mick Jones. A
campfire sing-song pre-
ceded the intricate square
dance done by members of
the Salt Spring Square
Dance Club. Next came a
bass solo by Irl Bradley,
followed by a "Couple of
Swells", Bill & Allen
Trelford, and a tap dance
by Harold Van Buskirk. The
chorus returned singing
songs of the 1940 era and
were followed by a roving
demonstration of "rock-n-
roll," done by the same
people who did the Charleston.
After that came more
songs by the Quartette &
Chorus. Hart Bradley sang
the final solo...Chorus
members were: Les Baird.

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Bean Supper
DELICIOUS!

About 200 people sat
down to a bean supper at
the Beaver Point Hall on
Saturday night, but
there were beans a-plen-
y. In fact, there were
beans left over. It was
a delicious supper as
usual. Miss Nan Ruckle
was convener and was
assisted by the ladies
in the district. The
men did their part and
took charge of the Bingo
doors. The sum of $273 was
raised. Everything is donated;
the beans are home grown
and home cooked; so are
all the pies and other
delicacies which have
made these Beaver Point
Bean Suppers so famous.

Miss Owen Ruckle
was in charge of the
decorations and her
delicate taste of Spring-
time scenes highlighted
the walls. Spring flow-
eries decorated the win-
dows and tables, and
cheery paper birds
perched on vases and
branches. Heather decor-
ations were on the ta-
bles for luck and the
effect was charming.

Mrs. W.Y. Stewart
and Miss M.D. Anderson
took charge of the mis-
cellaneous stall. J. Alderson, Dr. L. Lambert,
Tom Butt and Andy Ste-
vans handled the Bingo,
while W. Loxton, Dr.
Lambert and Don Fraser
were at the door.

Door prizes went to
Mr. Harvey Newman of
Ganges, Mrs. Steve
LaFortune of Fulford
and Miss Hahti of Gan-
ges. (CONT'D ON P.2,COL.1)

McGill's Bakery
SOLD

It was announced this
week, by Mr. J.H. McGill,
that the bakery has been
sold to Mr. & Mrs. W.H.
Bradley and Mr. Robert
Taylor, all of Ganges.
"In the selling of the
bakery," Mr. McQill
stated, "It was my fondest
wish to sell to local in-
terests who will assure
that the same standard of
quality and type of bake-
ry products will be pro-
duced, that has met with
the approval of the Gulf
Island residents."

The McQill bakery was
first started in 1939.
Two years later the
bakery ceased its opera-
tions when Mr. McQill
entered the Army Service
Corp. He served in the
Catering Dept. as Messing
Officer. He returned in
1946 and managed the old
Ganges Inn, where later,
in 1949, the bakery was
re-activated at the Ganges
Inn. In 1958 the bakery
moved to its present loca-
tion, to handle the grow-
ing business. McQill's
bread and other bakery
products are now featured
in every store in the
Gulf Islands.

The new company will
be known as McQill's
Bakery Limited. The new
management will take over
as of May 1st. Mr. Brad-
ley will be the President
and Sales Manager; Mrs.
Bradley will be Secretary-
Treasurer. Mr. Taylor
will be Production Mana-
ger. Mr. McQill is remain-
ing on as one of the di-
rectors.

Mr. McQill will be
leaving Salt Spring Is-
land around June 15th,
to take up his new duties
with Federal Way Shopping
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BEDDIS PROPERTY
It was announced last Tuesday that Miss Bordicea Beddis and her brother, Geoffrey, well-known old time residents of Salt Spring Island, and owners of the property on Ganges Harbour known as "The Wilderness," have turned their property over to the Salt Spring Lands Limited, for a sea-front sub-division. The parents of the Beddis family arrived on Salt Spring about 75 years ago and homesteaded on the present property. Their many friends will be glad to know that Miss Beddis and her brother are retaining a life lease on their home, and will continue to reside there.

working at the McGill Bakery for the past two years, and is known to be an expert baker.

EDITORIAL
Even the colorful editor, Mano de Cosmos, felt the need to apologize for his first efforts in publishing a weekly newspaper. In issue No. 1, Vol. 1 of the British Colonist, published Dec. 11th 1858 at Victoria, he printed the following: "Apology—Owing to causes beyond our control, many items of interest have been deferred, and our paper delayed. We will be careful that our next issue will appear punctually on Saturday morning, and contain a greater variety of reading matter." He even spelled a name wrong! DRIFTWOOD can do no less and we apologize for mistakes, especially to the people who had their name spelled wrong. Please do not judge us by the first few issues, for we are experimenting, trying to find the best way. Experiment #2, issue #2, is not the answer.

do no less and we apologize for mistakes, especially to the people who had their name spelled wrong. Please do not judge us by the first few issues, for we are experimenting, trying to find the best way. Experiment #2, issue #2, is not the answer. Now for a spelling bee. How do you spell Salt Spring? (or is it Salt-spring?) Most of the business establishments spell it as two words, yet the government (CONT'D ON P.1,)

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Twenty years ago tomorrow, Apr. 1st 1940, 500 residents, visitors and schoolchildren gathered in the school grounds at Ganges to witness the formal opening of the new consolidated school building. The Hon. G.M. Weir, minister of Education, at that time, opened the new school with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Then he and Hon. G.S. Pearson, Minister of Labor, each planted a tree on either side of the entrance. (Are they still there?) The school at that time had a length of 137 feet, 50 feet wide, and a height of 38 ft. There were eight classrooms, principal's office, chemistry & science room, a room for home economics and domestic science, teachers' committee room, first aid & health rooms and two spare rooms not yet allocated for any special purpose.

For the many people who called admiring the DRIFTWOOD masthead, we want to inform you that it is a pen and ink drawing by Mrs. Kay Lynen who lives at Duck Bay. She is from Petworth, Sussex and has been on Salt Spring Island for four years. Kay is a member of the Salt Spring Island Art Group, which was started in 1947. It still meets every Thursday afternoon, painting indoors during the cold months and outdoors in fair weather to capture the many lovely views on this Island.

FULFORD
Miss M.D. Anderson was the guest speaker at the meeting of the South Island Women's Institute meeting which was held at the home of Mrs. J. Campbell on Thursday of last week. Miss Anderson, who is interested in World Refugee work, gave a most interesting talk on the Adoption Committee for aid to displaced persons in Europe. (Victoria Branch). A vote of thanks was accorded her for her address. Plans were made for the tea and home cooking stall to be held at the home of Mrs. R. Lee on April 1st. It was agreed to send dates of coming events to the Chamber of Commerce for the Calendar of Events being compiled. Tea was served by Mrs. R. Lee, assisted by Mrs. A. Davia... The Silver Gloves Boxing championships will be held in the Fulford Hall at 9 O'clock on Saturday night, April 2nd. Contestants from all over Vancouver Island are expected to compete. There will be a late ferry from Vesuvius to Crofton to enable visitors to return to V.I. after the match. The Salt Spring Island Boxing Club will be host for the evening... Miss Helen Ruckle and G. Henry Ruckle of Victoria, spent the week end at Beaver Point with their families... Mr. & Mrs. W. Beatty spent the week end at their home at Beaver Point. They returned to Victoria on Sunday night... Mrs. Ethel Smith returned to Victoria after spending a few days at Dromore last week. A few swallows arrived at Fulford on March 19th.

Mr. J. Bruce, of Phoenix spent the week-end visiting his mother, Mrs. H. Douglas.

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Continuing the Journal of Anthony Tripp, said to have been found with sundry letters in rubbish removed from a derelict farm on Maxwell Mountain, Salt Spring Island, 1859.

26 of November, 1859.

We are, I fear, poor Neighbours at this stage for my father, not liking to place himself under an obligation, has not encouraged the proffered help of our fellow Settlers, together which the trails to the other Settlers being vague, ill-marked and hazardous and with our time being fully occupied, we have neglected our obligations to maintain a civil contact, though all being in a similar plight, they are not much offended. Neverthelees and notwithstanding, we were today visited by a Gentleman from Australia, who offered to work a week for a bag of flour and some of our dried tobacco, which my father refused, the supply of flour being short at Mr. Jonathan Beggs Store. He was in no wise offended but regaled us with a description of Van Diemen’s Land and the little grade 1’s can go back to their wild Indian games. In March the Grade 11’s made a trip to the Parliament Building. They saw the Provincial Museum and Government in action. Mr. G. Barnett and Mr. J.M. Evans accompanied the class.

Report cards will be out on April 13th.

Mrs. G.W. Leggett & Mrs. J.W. Catto entertained at a birthday party for Mrs. Leggett, Mrs. Catto & Mr. G. St. Denis, last Thursday. 14 guests.
The infant son of Mr. & Mrs. David Winter of Victoria was christened last Sunday afternoon at St. George's Church in Ganges. Archdeacon G.H. Holmes officiated as the boy was given the name of David Keith. The god-parents were Mrs. A.J.Bryant, Mr. A.J.Bryant and Mr. S.Winterbottom. A family tea was held after the ceremony, at the home of the maternal grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. Laurie Mouat. Among the out-of-town guests were the paternal grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. J. Winter from Deep Cove and Mrs. N. Carwell of Victoria, great-grandmother of David Keith.

That was quite a foursome spied on the golf course last Monday. It consisted of some of our more youthful citizens. Dr. W.T.Lockhart (92), Sam Adams (80), W.M. Mouat (75) and the youngster, W.C. Wells (71). No score was kept, so the above figures are ages, not scores.

The Salt Spring Centennial Library wishes to announce that a new consignment of books from the Public Library Commission has arrived and are on the shelves. There are two hundred books and include many interesting and varied titles.

The Library hours for Saturday have been changed. It is now open from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The weekly Library hours are as follows: Monday thru Thursday - 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. -- Saturday - 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Monday, March 21...At the P.T.A. meeting, held at Mahon Hall, with Mrs. M. Sober in the chair, the treasurer reported a balance of $161.66 in the till. One of the major motions passed was to help the Cowichan Music Festival by giving a cup or cash donation. Membership in the P.T.A. now stands at 110 members. The Dental Convener reported that 100 children registered. Mrs. A. Lutz, Garden Convener, reports that seeds have been distributed to 64 children, who will compete in the P.T.A. Garden Contest. The guest speaker was Dr. L.C.Lambert and his subject was "Psychosomatics", an interesting and informative speech. The P.T.A. May Fair will be held on May 13th this year at Mahon Hall. Mrs. Nary Fellows will be the head convener. There was a discussion of holding a series of sewing classes and anyone interested can get in touch with the president. The attendance pennant was won by Grade 7. The hostesses for this meeting were Mrs. M. Till, Mrs. Lutz, and Mrs. W. A. Jackson.

The Ganges Film Committee will have four movies on April 4th, at Mahon Hall (admission free). Two from the National Film Board titled, "Down North" & "Indian Family". The other two are from the Standard Oil Co., and are titled, "Water - Fountain of Life" and "Motoring in Mexico".

The Gulf Island Camera Club held their regular monthly meeting on March 4th. After a short business meeting, a program concerning the taking of home movies was presented (CONT'D ON P. 7)
Everyone now and again, my family and friends conspire together to winkle me out of the Shangri-La atmosphere of Saltpring. They insist that I am dreaming my life away and that at least, a trip to Vancouver would blow away the mental cobwebs. Although dubious of this advice, I am in due course thrown into what I see normally as a dark and menacing blob on the horizon.

Having overcome the notorious Gulf Island inertia and having accomplished the journey, I find the primitive instincts of self-preservation speedily re-awakened and by the end of the first hour, I am as nervous as a scalded cat. "Walk!" imperiously commands the traffic sign and I walk. "Don't Walk" orders the sign and I don't walk. Drivers with faces as red as beetroot start to beep and yielding to yells of "Scram", "Creep" and other hostile gestures I prefer not to mention, I return to the point from whence I started. Next time, I am ready and show a turn of speed which undoubtedly qualifies me to run in next year's Ganges pancake race.

I sought refuge and lunch at a cafe...Ye Olde Britania Fish and Chips, with Tea or Coffee, 50 cents...again! Well, perhaps not quite. The description of the fish was accurate. It was undoubtedly "olde" and had suffered grievously in the journey from Britain. The four chips had also had a bad time on their way out.

A little man sat at my table and promptly concealed himself behind a newspaper. A series of snorts and grunts seemed to indicate that he was displeased with the news. He lowered his paper suddenly and snapped, "What do you think of the Lions?" I had been forewarned that the Vancouverites were inclined to be touchy about their zoo. It called for the diplomatic answer, "I think," I said, "that away from their native haunts, they always give the impression of being miserable and mangy...not getting their proper food, you know, their teeth fall out and they become morose and bad-tempered....the whiskers of the males tend to droop and they no longer awaken amorous chords in the hearts of the females...don't you agree?" It was obvious that he didn't. He muttered something, either "nuts" or "Shucks," I could not be certain which and then he went and sat at another table. He also said something to the waitress and her attitude, formerly affable, became suspicious and unfriendly.

A bright, breezy young man took his place. He joked about the never-ending rain. Looking at me keenly, he said, "I've seen you some place...were you with the Elks Tuesday night?" "No," I replied, "I was in Ganges. I suppose they don't mind being in captivity so much as the lions, though. That little man three tables away is devoted to lions; quite touchy about them, in fact." A blank expression spread slowly over his face. He did not speak again. The waitress hovered over me. "Your check," she said, rather rudely, I thought.

A great city, Vancouver, anything but stagnant. It may inspire affection, arouse dislike or even breed fear, according to the circumstances but it cannot be ignored. The visit to which I refer occurred before Christmas, when the first shoppers were on the prowl. The Vancouver housewives had a curiously intent expression on their faces and positively hissed their wishes or enquiries at the store clerks. The Vancouver males, on the other hand, bore a uniform air of martyrdom, peered nervously at the dwindling stock of dollars in their pockets and gave a general impression that bankruptcy was lurking around the corner.

After dusk, Vancouver rapidly assumes a Cinderella role and its myriad lights, reflected in the water, must fascinate the most blase. One senses the enormous vitality of the place and its capacity to harbour a thousand and one unique and interesting human stories. It is impossible, even should you wish, to remain aloof. If time permits and the ear is willing, a single haphazard evening will produce enough to feed a nation for a year. The characters attracted to this strange city may be good or bad but are rarely indifferent.

And with these thoughts in mind, I returned to the haven of Saltpring, well content.
Thursday, March 31, 1960

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COMING EVENTS

March 31: Credit Union Annual Meeting
Mahon Hlll - 7:30 PM
March 31: Girl Guides
April 1: L.O.R.B.
April 1: Camera Club, Legion Hall
April 1: So. S.S.W., Tea & Sale, Home of Mrs. Lee, Fulford
April 1: Wolf Cubs
April 2: Hospital Regional Meeting
April 2: Square Dance Club
April 2: Boxing, Fulford Hlll, 8:00 PM
April 4: Legion Meeting, Legion Hlll
April 5: Legion L.A.
April 5: St. Mary's Guild
April 5: Brownies
April 6: Vesuvius Circle W.H., Donation Tea, Home of Mrs. Carlyle, 2:30 to 5:30 PM
April 6: Sea Scouts
April 7: Red & Gun Club Annual Meeting, McNich Hlll
April 7: U.C.W. Meeting
April 7: Lion's Club Meeting
April 7: Girl Guides

CONT'D FROM P. 5 - CAMERA CLUB...by Mrs. Seymour. The next meeting will be held on Friday, April 1st, at the Legion Hlll.

PERSONAL...Mrs. G. B. Jenkins or S. Pender is spending a few days with Mrs. W. J. Stojanuk...Mr. E. Reynolds has returned to Ganges after a few days in Vancouver...Sonny Simpson of Port Angeles is holidaying with Mrs. C. Kaye...Mr. Verne Coles of Vancouver visited his parents Sunday...
SALT SPRING ISLAND CHORAL SOCIETY

The spring concert of the Salt-spring Island Choral Society will be held at Mahon Hall, April 20. Dr. R.W. Bradley heads this group, and Mrs. G.B. Young has for many years conducted and arranged the music, assisted by Dr. W. Bradley, Pres... A good turn-out is hoped for as this promises to be a delightful program. Admission is 50¢ for adults and 25¢ for children.

ALBINO WHALE

A regular but elusive visitor to these shores was sighted last week by Pat Patterson and a group of boys at the North End. It was an albino whale, travelling up the channel with a group of ten or fifteen blackfish.

VESUVIUS

March 26 -- Mrs. Harold Scott, who arrived recently from Winnipeg and is spending a week or two at Vesuvius Bay, the guest of Mrs. Thomas Carlyle, was honoured on Friday morning at a most enjoyable coffee party given by Mrs. Sidney Quinton and Mrs. A.E. Duke who, as co-hostesses, entertained about forty guests at the home of the former on Sunset Drive, Vesuvius Bay. Masses of daffodils and other flowers decorated the rooms. Mrs. Gavin Mount and Mrs. F. Treheway presided at the lace-covered table on which its pale green centrepiece was artistically arranged with pink and white carnations and Japanese plum blossom.

PERSONAL ITEMS...Miss Mary Corbett, Vancouver, is spending two weeks on Salt Spring Island visiting her sister, Mrs. J.P. de Macedo, at Vesuvius Bay... Mr. & Mrs. Charles Baseley have returned to New Westminster after spending a few days at Arbutus Court, Vesuvius... Miss Ann Lawther, who has been spending a few days at Vesuvius Bay visiting her mother, Mrs. D.A. Lawther, returned on Sunday to Victoria where she is on the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital... Mr. & Mrs. Brian Markham, accompanied by Mrs. Markham's sister, Miss Claire McCallum, spent a week-end at their Vesuvius home... Mr. & Mrs. R.T. Britton spent five days at Sooke last week, guests of Mr. & Mrs. Norman Atkinson.

CENTRAL... Salt-spring has received some reflected glory from the British Columbia Golden Gloves amateur boxing tournament, held at Vancouver March 25th & 26th. It comes by way of Al Curtis, winner of the coveted Golden Boy award, who is a close relative of the Jim Wickens family. Al is well known on the Island, where he was, for a time, a member of the local boxing club.