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Vesuvius Bay Road,
R. R. 1,
Ganges, B.C.

Gulf Islands Driftwood

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GANGES, British Columbia

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CENTENNIAL CENTENARIAN

She's Old As The Province

IDA KELLY IS THE ONLY ONE!

Ida Irene Kelly was born in Quebec on December 18, 1871. By the age of 21 she was in British Columbia and married.

By the age of 99, Mrs. Kelly was still in British Columbia and eligible for a centennial medallion to mark the coincidence of her entering her 100th year as British Columbia celebrates that same 100 years.

Mrs. Kelly was not present at the pioneer luncheon on Friday. Her daughter, Mrs. R. C. Laing, accepted the medallion on her behalf.

Ida Kelly was the 10th child born to Elizabeth and Denis Kendall. She grew up with her three sisters and eight brothers, the 12 children who survived to maturity.

The boys in the family all educated themselves and all were well-educated in an era when education was a privilege to be eagerly sought and worked for. One brother graduated as a doctor, another as a minister of the gospel and several were engineers in various fields. All eight held useful and responsible positions, relates Mrs. Kelly.

She was married to James Darton Kelly in New Westminster in 1892. They had eight children, three girls and five boys.

Mrs. Kelly saw three of her sons volunteer for service overseas during World War I. One was badly wounded in France.

Her husband was a man with a naval tradition. James Kelly was born in Esquimalt Naval Hospital, where his father was a pharmacist in the Royal Navy. James died in 1939.

Today, already in her 100th year, Mrs. Kelly is hospitalized. Kindly, blessed with a keen sense of humor, she has a pleasant personality and is an important figure in the daily life of Lady Minto Hospital.

She has two daughters and a son still living and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

How old is she? She's as old as British Columbia!

SHOW FOR GANGES

Barkerville Is Back

Barkerville is back on the road to Salt Spring Island.

Barkerville '71, is an all-new revue featuring the entertainers from the Theatre Royal in Historic Barkerville. Salt Spring Island Lions will bring the show.

LOCAL SHOW SUNDAY ON TELEVISION

Galiano is the setting for a television show on Channel 2 on Sunday evening.

New edition of the Manipulators will be seen about 9 p.m. Name of the feature this week is Turn to the Wind.

It was produced at the Galiano summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Reecke.

Galiano islanders will have their eyes glued to the picture tube on Sunday. Unless there's hockey or a moonshot or a power failure or an emergency.

to Ganges on Friday evening, Feb. 19. The Lions brought the first Barkerville Centennial Show here in 1967. The new players started their new tour on January 19, sponsored by the British Columbia Centennial '71 Committee. Committees in 65 communities will host the spring tour performances.

Show comes to Salt Spring Island from Sidney where it will be seen on Thursday, Feb. 18.

HE WANTS EAGLE FEATHERS PLEASE!

Whose got all the eagle feathers?

Local Indian who is making up a set of feathers is short of them. If any islander has a supply of or a stock of eagle feathers they will be eagerly claimed by the maker of head-dress.

A call to DRIFTWOOD will set the ball rolling.

SHE SCORED 29 AT CRIB

Another crib player reports a top hand.

Mrs. Edith Cantrell, who was recuperating at the home of her daughter, Mrs. M. Cantrell of Fernwood had a "29" hand recently.

It is the maximum score attainable at crib.

COMMITTEE IS UPDATED

- PLANNING MEETING MONDAY

Planning has been updated. The original planning group on the island, established under the aegis of the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce, has been renamed the Salt Spring Island Community Planning Association. The new name makes it clearly distinct from the official planning body on the island the Advisory Planning Commission.

The association will stage its first annual meeting on Monday evening.

To start the ball rolling for the association, a new constitution and by-laws have been prepared. They are published elsewhere in this issue.

The purpose of the association is unchanged from the intentions of islanders who launched the original committee 18 months ago. When the chamber of commerce first visualized the community planning group there was no planning in being and its views were the only views on the island.

The new constitution is patterned to allow for the fact that planning is already here.

Constitution provides for 14 members as well as co-opted members, honorary members and ex-officio members. Regular members of the committee will forfeit their membership if they are absent from three successive meetings unless they have substantial reason.

Present policy of appointing committee heads to assume chairmanship for short periods will be continued. There will be five committees, subdivision and land use, local government, services and resources, transportation and communication, recreation parks and cultural activities and, finally, building codes controls, pollution, conservation and community appearance.

Voting members of the association must be residents or land-owners of Salt Spring Island.

Annual meeting will be held in the high school auditorium on Monday evening.

345 FT. WELL

New Source Of Water

Deep well has been drilled for a Mayne Island water district.

Campbell-Bennett Bay Improvement District has completed drilling anew well to a depth of 345 feet on the highest level of the waterworks system. Testing to determine the gallons-per-minute sustained flow will now be carried out.

Tenders are also being called for construction of a concrete base for a 10,000-gallon storage tank to be erected this spring. Bids for the base and installation of pipeline to the system are to be submitted by February 15. Announcement appears elsewhere in this issue.

The Districts' existing two wells have been given bacteria count tests by the Greater Victoria Metropolitan Board of Health and declared satisfactory.

Annual meeting of the Improvement District has been set for 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 10.



At the head table, Bob McWhirter, Connie Porter, Bea Hamilton, Rev. Fred Anderson, Mrs. Claibourne and Sidney Claibourne.



Glance over the guests at the Centennial luncheon on Friday.



Another glance as the guests chat about the long years of the past.



It was a happy event for the old-timers of Salt Spring Island.

EXCEPT FOR THE ODD REPORTER

Centennial Year Opens With Luncheon For Old Timers

"What are you doing here?"

Not that I wasn't very welcome, Frank Waterfall hastened to assure me as I sat down at his table for the Centennial Luncheon in Ganges on Friday, but he figured I was not quite that old.

There were Mr. and Mrs. Waterfall and Mr. and Mrs. H. Ashley at the table, all pioneers. With false teeth, grey hair,

reading glasses and slippery disc I figured I was heading in the right general direction. Besides, I was happy to pay tribute to them by being there.

The luncheon was presented to the recipients of centennial medallions on the island.

Not all eligible recipients were there, explained Chairman the Rev. Fred Anderson. This

luncheon was for all who had registered with the committee to affirm their having been born before 1897, and having been in Canada prior to that date.

Mr. Waterfall was in Canada the requisite number of years, although a native of Britain. Mrs. Waterfall is from an Empire Loyalist family. Mrs. Ashley was born in the Okanagan and rem-

embered it before it was an orchard country.

Both couples looked back over the years and decided that the changes they had seen were less than desirable.

Presenting the Centennial Medallions was Sidney Claibourne. He represented a pioneer island family and he also represented (Turn to Page Twelve)

COLLISION NEAR FERRY TERMINAL

Minor damage was sustained by both cars involved in a collision at Long Harbour ferry terminal on Sunday afternoon. Car driven by Valerie E. J.

Richards, of Scott Road was in collision with the car driven by Victoria M. Hobbs, Angus Drive North Vancouver. There were no injuries.

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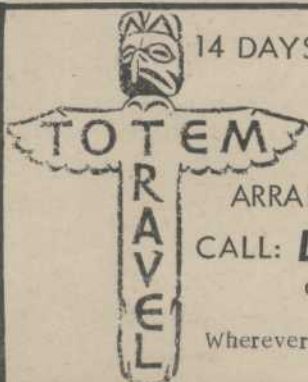
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LAMBING CAME EARLY

BY BEA HAMILTON

An unexpected population explosion of lambs arrived at the Ruckle farm early in December - two months before they were expected.

It all happened because an innocent little ram, considered to be too small to be of any potential biological hazard, was allowed to run a little longer amongst the ewes.

However, though he was little, he was Oh, My! and he sowed his wild oats right and left and by the time he was four months old, he had sired 21 frisky lambs, producing the unexpected crop well ahead of schedule, to the astonishment of the Ruckle clan.

It seems to be an early season for lambs in any case, for in many fields, small lambs are playing alongside the ewes, and have been seen for some weeks now.

WHAT'S IN IT?

BY FRANK RICHARDS

The Victorian woman was different from the male and rejoiced in the difference. So oddly enough, did the average Victorian male. Not that such a matter was discussed in mixed company.

Today, as the difference appears to have become a near-obsession in those suddenly aware of it, the female of the species is determined to emphasize the similarity between male and female, and play down the difference.

If the Royal Commission on the Status of Women in Canada was not a gigantic government hoax, then the status of traditional society is rocking on its foundations.

Reading through the final government précis of its Royal Commission, the MAN-in-the-street is left to wonder.

Where lies the problem?

In past years we have faced a generation gap with fortitude and the assurance that there is little that will not resolve itself in the passage of time.

Now we have a new chasm opening in social relations. The male and the female are at war. In her determination to prove the similarity between male and female, the militant female, aided and abetted by government, has declared war.

The bemused male, unaware that mutiny was imminent, is still dazed by his strictly male drinking habits and is not ready to meet the challenge.

The reader, as he who would learn of the findings of the Royal Commission and the taxpayer, as he will have to contribute to the cost of the project, must assume that the ladies responsible for the findings are in earnest and wonder.

I have read the summary of the commission's findings. There is information of value. Much of it could have been announced and established without the commission at all.

The commission rejoices in the employment of married women. I don't. I feel that married women should be employed where and only where, there is no breadwinner, male or female to seek the job.

I figure that the commission

Trade
this heart
for hers

Laura Secord
VALENTINE
CANDIES

GANGES
PHARMACY



537 - 5534

FULFORD

BY BEA HAMILTON

Salt Spring Island seems to be for the birds lately - from flocks of robins to every kind of bird, dozens of varied thrushes and starlings, and many are still with us. Most of the robins have taken off, most probably splitting up the gang to take over territories - they spotted our cherry trees, so some have stayed here.

The largest bird to visit us during the snow storm was a very big Golden Eagle that sent a Bald Eagle off without an argument or we might have seen some powerful wing-maneuvres. There are a pair of Golden eagles, I understand, in the Beaver Point district.

The one we spotted was very much heavier than a Bald Eagle, with a thick head and neck, but he may have been fluffed out as protection against the blizzard that was waxing at the time. The coloring is different, more brown and the feathers more ragged with buff color in parts but in the mist, it was hard to see properly. I wonder now the Zoning by-laws are for birds?

We seem to have mostly news of the four-legged animals this week, and the feathered folks. Maybe next week, I can pick up news of the two-legged species. At the moment, things are quiet though you should have seen all the fine looking pioneers that gathered at the Golf Club for the Centennial '71 celebrations on Friday. There must have been a good 2000-odd years between them all. That's averaging say, 80 years for each one, and there were 45 getting the medallions; several were absent but there still left a great number of years to be distributed.

has been presented with the picture by the militant females of the land and that the average woman has been ignored.

In past years most politicians have stood up for motherhood. That must be out of the picture now!

I am working hard to become a pensioner and my views are heavily influenced by a half-century of traditional living. This booklet makes it very clear that the traditional role is out. My grandmothers, whom I remember well and my mother were the victims of an oppressive society, suffering from the wilful neglect of their menfolk. And they never knew!

Phooey!

If the next decade brings us a depression in earnest and Canadian women are forced to strive to survive, it will be the traditional figure of "womanhood" who will live on and not the hard brittle figure of women's rights.

We are striving, today, to break down barriers between people and peoples. This commission and this booklet on its findings do little to assist.

I'm not even sure that I'll let my wife see it, let alone read it! If she wants a copy of her own it'll cost her \$1.25 from the National Council of Women, 270 MacLaren St., Ottawa 4.



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to be frank



By Richards

Note on Women's Lib. from Poetess A.M. Spencer of Ganges Equal work for equal pay All agree should be the way, But a Gal that's truly Fem Wins her way by stratagem.

Frank Waterfall was reminiscing about the past when he attended the pioneer luncheon at Ganges last week. He used to travel around the islands for many years before coming here to live. Waiting for the boat in the evening the island agent would give him a lantern. "Just

sit on the wharf," he would be told, "The ferry is due at 11 p.m." Tired and cold, he would board the ferry at 3 or 4 a.m. It had been delayed by loading salmon or fruit or something, somewhere.

E.J. Walker was also in the past. After a quiet aside as he received a Centennial medallion, he recalled that land had been valuable in days of yore. The Hudson's Bay Company had leased all of Vancouver Island from Great Britain for seven shillings a year in 1840. That was then about \$1.50. You couldn't even lease their Victoria store for that amount of money today!

Annual Scot Clarke expedition this year took the Ganges couple to Mexico. They liked Mexico and the Mexican sunshine and particularly the banana-

nas growing outside the door of their hotel chalet. What they didn't like at all was the change in temperature from the warm 70's in Mexico to the minus 30's when they landed at Calgary. Calgary made Salt Spring Island feel sub-tropical.

Real shortcoming in our way of life isn't so much what any of us does. It is the way nobody is surprised. If a politician shows less honesty than we had hoped we are never surprised. We expect our elected representatives to be basically dishonest. When we see a blatant injustice we readily assume that money will buy justice in our society and the real tragedy is that we should expect dishonesty in high places: not simply that we get it.

Bob Blundell and his wife took a few days off recently to attend the Governor's Ball in Olympia. That's in the State of Washington. He didn't go to escape anything. It was all the same if he did. They were followed by the blizz. and all the way there and all the way back. It's just his own little black cloud.

Scot Clarke cleared customs last week at Calgary. The customs officer examined his baggage. "Ganges, eh? Do you know a fellow, Bill Trelford?" Scot didn't know which way to jump. If he said yes and he should say no, he was sunk. Turned out it was a friendly question so he admitted it. The customs man from Calgary and the garageman from Ganges were in school together.

Reminds me of Alex McManus's sad story of a year or so ago when he and his wife came back from the warmth. At Calgary he had left his vaccination certificate in his case and there was no immediate means of recovering it. He was obviously the first man to do such a thing. After being held in close custody he was released to the aircraft to fly to Vancouver under arrest. In Vancouver he recovered his baggage, his certificate and his freedom. That was several years ago.

Mrs. M. G. Westcott enjoyed a particularly happy Christmas. The Ganges resident of many years initiated a New Year's Baby Award last year. She prepared a layette, whatever that is, and presented it to the first baby of 1970. By 1971 she saw her project supported widely, to become a part of the season. The hospital auxiliary at Ganges supported the project this year. Mrs. Westcott was part of the program, again, however. She made an afghan and presented it to the first baby of 1971.

Picture of Ian Evans, from Ganges, appears in the current issue, of Outward Bound. Only trouble is that although I am aware that it is Ian Evans, because they told me so, he is upside down, hanging from a tree and identification is still further slowed by the fact he has his back to the camera. Outward Bound is one of a series of schools around the world offering survival course and a violent introduction to the outdoors. Ask Ian...he survived.

FULFORD.....from Page Two

Congratulations to all the Pioneers who are now richer by another Centennial Medallion - they were well earned!

Mrs. G. Maude has been laid up in hospital for some time and our thoughts go out to her and

hope she will be recovered shortly.

Mrs. Lillian Horsdal has recovered after a double-stint in Lady Minto Hospital and has been staying at Park Drive Guest Home.

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School District #64 (Gulf Islands), at Ganges, British Columbia, on Wednesday, February 10th, 1971, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, in the Provincial Government Building.

Dated at Ganges, B.C.
this 20th day of January, 1971

A.M. BROWN
Provincial Assessor.

Salt Spring Island Rod & Gun Club

ANNUAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY — FEBRUARY 3 — 8pm
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PROVINCIAL LITERACY

While the general standard of literacy in Canada is probably falling, it is unfortunate that the provincial government has elected to reduce its support for such institutions as the Salt Spring Island Library.

Report given members of the library association at its recent annual meeting indicated that the government funds available to the island library have been reduced from about \$1,000 per annum to less than \$200.

The recent Davey Committee on the mass media in Canada reported at some length on the relation between the printed word and the screened message. The committee reported that magazine and book publishers are all facing acute strains.

Canada is not a more literate nation than it was in the past. It is to be expected that those engaged in publication would be aware of the deterioration. It is also to be expected that those in government would at least seek to encourage literacy, even if they don't understand it.

Salt Spring Island is a small community and cannot expect substantial aid from the government. Yet if the pattern is to be simply, No votes, No grants, then the future is bleak, indeed.

Literate Salt Spring Island residents, if any can spare valuable television time, should become members of the island library without delay. They should attend its meetings and take an interest in its affairs. If more islanders were concerned with the community library, the provincial government might be urged to reconsider its decision. But if islanders are not interested, how can we expect the province to exert itself on our behalf?

Letters to the Editor

ARNOLD'S VIEW

Editor, Driftwood,

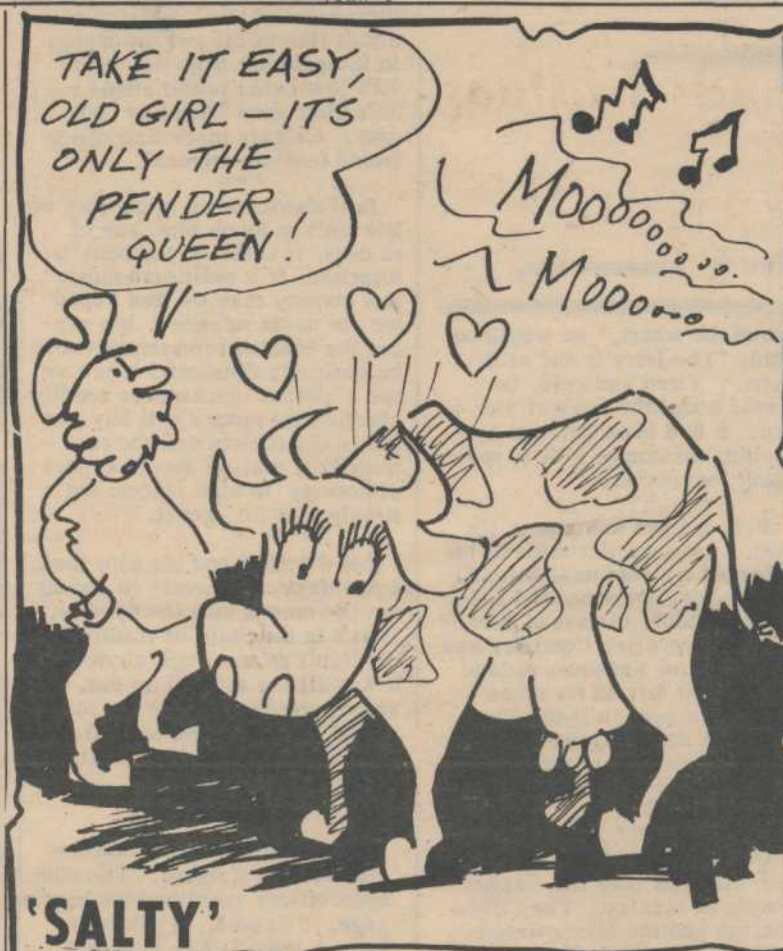
Sir, I wish to use some of your space to reply to Mr. Holmes remarks concerning the problem of locating mobile homes on the island. My unit is 47'x 10' and very modern considering it is 14 years old. I purchased the trailer on 25th July at which time I was told by the realtor that I could locate it on any available lot on the island. As there was no hurry to move it from its location on Kanaka Rd. where it had been for several years, I took my time looking over the island with several different realtors none of whom mentioned anything about zoning restrictions or national housing code at the time. These subjects did however come up at a later date and panic took over as the realtors became aware of the sudden planning restrictions. One lot I was shown was subsequently sold to a mobile home owner who has since been served an eviction order and has suffered considerable hardship due to this action.

The only alternatives left me were to put the trailer on the only court on the island which is not suitable for myself or family, move off the island which

we do not wish to do, or sell it. Selling the trailer would without question cost us considerable money. First of all we had to pay 5% sales tax which would be lost, I have spent money having the interior redecorated and remodelled to suit our family and also under the circumstances it may not be easy to sell such a unit without losing money on the sale price.

My next course of action was to appeal to the building inspector to see if some special consideration could be arranged due to my extenuating circumstances. I had a short personal interview to explain the facts and he said he would speak to his superiors in Victoria and let me know the answer. No word on my fate was forthcoming so I phoned the provincial building in Ganges and was told the inspector was out and would return my call. My phoning and promises of a return call went on for some time until I was passed a message by the realtor from whom I purchased the trailer. Content of the message "NO GO" or words to that effect. It appeared the inspector lost my phone number about three or four times.

I phoned every resort and visited several, trying to find a



suitable location but each time it was the same answer. We only cater to people on vacation. Yes, if you live here it's harder to find a spot than if you're just visiting. To be fair some resort owners would like to have accommodated me but services such as sanitation were not designed for permanent mobile homes. It should be said I did try to buy the lot the unit at present stands on but without success.

Next I spoke to Mr. Holmes on the phone and he passed the buck to one of his superiors without really trying anything himself. About this time I was offered a space on a resort from the owner who was sympathetic to my problem and he promised to try and see a way clear to getting us on. He had a conversation with Mr. Holmes and also contacted the building and health inspectors and then went ahead with preparing the site. We planned to move in on December 23 and hired a towtruck and spent some very muddy wet

hours jacking up the trailer and putting on the wheels. At the last moment the office of the building inspector reversed its positive attitude to our move and refused permission. We actually had the truck hitched to the trailer and had already transported much equipment to the new site. So here we were sitting high and dry swaying in the breeze plus the fact we were exhausted from the physical effort having also spent time clearing trees and scrub so as to get the unit onto the new site. Either the provincial officials broke their word or we misinterpreted their answers to our questions. There was never any written word on the subject. Perhaps there is no existing formal procedure for such a case. After this episode the resort owner and myself phoned Mr. Holmes several times but it took two weeks to get a reply from his phone. Rumors were he was on vacation but he assured me he was by the phone every evening during this time. When I did get to talk to him he did not remember my name or situation and had to be completely refilled in on it. So much for his vital interest. You know the rest. The two newspaper articles in the last two issues of the Driftwood. Now we have until the 8th of February to find a solution. I hope the planning people will keep their promise to avoid hardships while implementing their legislation.

Bill Arnold,
Ganges,
January 25, 1971.

CENTENNIAL MEMO - Rev. Ebenezer Robson, Methodist Missionary, was a brother of John Robson, pioneer editor and Premier of British Columbia.

CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 1971

ANGLICAN St. George	Ganges	Parish Family Service	11:00 am
ROMAN CATHOLIC St. Paul	Fulford	Holy Mass	9:00 am
Our Lady of Grace	Ganges	" "	11:00 am
UNITED CHURCH Rev. Fred Anderson Box 461, Ganges 537-2439	Ganges	Worship Service	11:00 am
COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHAPEL Rev. M. V. Gilpin	Ganges	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	10:30 am
"	"	Evening Service	7:30 pm

FERNWOOD

BY JESSIE SAYER

Welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Laing, who finally arrived from Coquitlam to occupy the home they bought on Harrison Avenue. They have primroses in full bloom!

Mrs. Edith Cantrell has been recuperating at the home of her daughter, Mrs. M. Cantrell of Fernwood. Her daughter, Mrs. J. Kerkson, of Sidney was also here.

Trincomali Channel is very busy with freighters arriving and leaving Crofton. When passing during darkness their many lights are a cheerful sight.

A lucky Fernwood couple are leaving on an extended trip to New Zealand; sorry it's not the Sayers!

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And here's a Fernwood recipe:
COCONUT COOKIES

3/4 c. short. or margarine
3/4 c. brown sugar
1 egg, salt, 2 tsp. vanilla,
2 c. flour, 3/4 tsp baking soda,
3/4 tsp cream of tartar,
1/2 c. coconut.

Mix as for any cookie, cocoonut last. Roll into small balls and press flat, bake at 350 deg. 12-15 minutes.

BOOKS

"SIBIR", by Farley Mowat.
McLelland and Stewart.
305 pp. \$10.

Who'd have thought of a kilted Canadian Scot in Siberia? And a Scot who found no distress in banishment to so thriving a part of Russia as Sibir?

Farley Mowat has long been concerned with the Canadian North. For many years he has expressed his concern very forcibly. For years he has been aware of the similarity between the Canadian north and the Russian north. The people of the Arctic face the same rigorous climate, the same hazards, the same source of food and enjoy the same prospects and the same potential, whether they live in Canada, Alaska or Russia.

Mowat has travelled 30,000 miles through Siberia. He has talked with the people and drunk with the people and he has brought back an entirely new picture of Siberia.

The frigid north east of the USSR is inseparably linked in the minds of most of us with the slave labor in the salt mines. Mowat found another face to the Siberian coin. He found industry, institutes of learning and a likable people. He found more.

Farley Mowat writes of the Russian concern for conservation. In particular he recounts the tale of Lake Baikal, the Russian prehistoric inland sea. For millions of years it was the last source on earth of animal and vegetable life long since gone from the rest of the world. In the last 500 years, many of its species of fauna have disappeared and others have fallen back to a near extinction as a result of the ravages of the Europeans, moving east.

When the Russian government elected to construct three pulp mills on the shores of Baikal, there was a furore. Local residents started a protest which was echoed across the land into the administrative chambers of Moscow.

So loud was the protest that the pulp mills were abandoned and an entirely new program of protection for the waters of Baikal was introduced.

Another sharp lesson offered by Mowat's book is his story of northern opportunity.

In Siberia large numbers of the native people are university graduates, directing their own community life. He was asked how many of the Canadian northern native peoples were graduates of a university. He was obliged to tell his listeners, two.

Farley Mowat offers a new picture of the northlands he has championed for so long. In doing so, he offers a new picture of Russia and Russians. Incidentally, he explains that majority of people we refer to as Russians are, in fact, not Russian at all. Russia is only part of the Union. The book is very readable and has already gained a keen demand. --F.G.R.

AN OPEN LETTER

To Gulf Islands Trustees

It appears from DRIFTWOOD's report on School Board activity that the School Board has decided that the way to save money on education is by not spending it on the special needs of this school district. It now appears that what has been a better than average school district with some what higher per pupil costs but a below average mill rate will become a substandard school district as a result of the Board's intent to conform to its own misinterpretation of the finance formula.

The Gulf Islands' School District is unique in the Province in many ways. It is beautifully isolated from many of the hazards and pressures of more densely populated districts and it is more favored in climate than any of the rural districts in British Columbia. It also has special and unique problems from the educational point of view.

The Gulf Islands' School District is in no sense average. Considered on a per pupil basis it is one of the "richest" districts in terms of the total assessed value on land and improvements. This is a product of high property value and a very small student population.

As a result it has been possible with good management to steadily upgrade the staff, the program, the equipment and the facilities while at the same time

keeping the mill rate in the Gulf Islands well below the Provincial average.

There are four important policies which I had a part in developing which appear to be on the way out.

1. Library

Owing to the small size of the school and the absence of an accessible big public library the Board has upgraded library facilities so that they approach being adequate.

2. Specialist Staff

Owing to its small size the School Board has "purchased" a share of the time of four specialists based in the Saanich area.

3. Board and Tuition elsewhere

Owing to the small school population it is not possible to provide a full range of options. The Board policy has been to pay board and tuition elsewhere for

pupils desiring courses which the local school cannot economically provide.

4. Pupil-Teacher Ratio

In a small school situation where practical grouping of students with similar capabilities is difficult, the Board has been willing to keep many of the classes small as long as space is available.

The finance formula does not require each school district to keep its budget to 110% of last year. The formula provides that if a school district budget exceeds 110% of the provincial average of departmentally approved costs for the previous year an opportunity is given the local property owners to call for referendum.

There is no doubt in my mind that the school board in this district cannot reasonably meet the special educational needs in this area within the 110%. There is also no doubt in my mind that it can exceed the 110% level to meet these needs and still operate below the provincial average mill rate. The School Board can afford to do a good job. The public in the interests of the community and the children who will inherit it had better expect them to do this.

The pressures for amalgamation with Saanich are heavy. Amalgamation is being promoted. The most successful arguments for amalgamation have been the failure of some small districts to provide specialist services, course options, adequate library and adequate staff. The Gulf Islands can afford these things but if the Board does not provide them there is no case for independence. If the amalgamation takes place the application of the finance formula would produce these results:

1. Marked increase in Gulf Islands' mill rate
2. Small reduction in Saanich mill rate
3. Reduction in provincial Government Grants in Saanich equal to the increased contribution to Saanich by the Gulf Islands' taxpayers
4. Probably no increase in ser-

GANGES

Mr. and Mrs. P. G. James, Vesuvius Bay have returned home recently after spending three months in Ontario visiting friends and relations.

Mr. and Mrs. Inky Humphreys were in West Vancouver last week end celebrating their 32nd wedding anniversary visiting their son David Humphreys and his wife Sue and also their two married daughters and their husbands, Paul and Anne Weeks and Rick and Heather Weeks.

Rev. Fred Anderson will be home from Niagra Falls, February 7. He has been one of four delegates elected from B. C. to attend the General Council of the United Church of Canada.

vice generally. Likelihood of further reductions due to highly conservative attitude prevailing in Saanich.

5. Reduction of Gulf Islands Trustees to a probable one or two in the new board.

It is not too late to take a second look. Please do.

J.M. Campbell, Saturna Is.

To Serve Further Term

BY GUILDSWOMAN

The combined annual and quarterly meeting of St. Mark's Chancel Guild was held at the home of Mrs. Cecil Springford on January 20.

Interesting and important business was the election of officers for 1971.

In such a busy community it is difficult for people to find time to serve in office, and St. Mark's appreciates the devotion of its hard-working women. The new slate of officers is as follows:

Honorary president, ...Mrs. R. Horsefield;
past president, ...Mrs. J. R. Sturdy, assisted by Mrs. Cecil Springford;
vice-president, ...Mrs. C. C. Guthrie;
secretary, ...Mrs. Hugh Ross;
treasurer, ...Mrs. L. O. Tiffin;
executive committee, ...Mrs. F. I. Atkins, Mrs. D. Seward, Miss Caroline Hamilton.

The treasurer's report showed a healthy bank balance, and donations were voted for the Anglican Theological College, and for Canon Martin's work in Hong Kong.

The continuing president, Mrs. Guy Cunningham, gave a summary of the activities of the Guild during the past year. Mrs. Cunningham also gave details of the work done on the new cemetery, noting the amount of fencing that will be required. This is being provided by the Guild.

Mrs. Guthrie gave an interesting report on the meetings of the Study Group on the subject of church union. Meetings are held every second Sunday evening, and Mrs. Guthrie felt that church members should be involved and informed.

Mrs. Cunningham reminded members of the annual parish meeting on Thursday, Feb. 11 at the Parish Hall.

The next Guild meeting will be on Wednesday, March 31, at St. Mark's Hall. Tea was served by Mrs. Springford.

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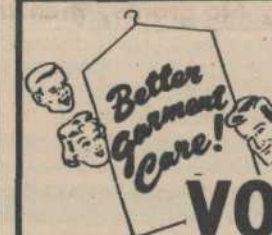
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THE 1st ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS ON MONDAY FEB. 1st

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

OF THE

SALT SPRING ISLAND COMMUNITY PLANNING ASSOCIATION

NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Salt Spring Island Community Planning Association.

INTERPRETATION

(1) The Salt Spring Island Community Planning Association is hereinafter referred to as the Association.

(2) The Association shall represent as fully as possible all sections of the community.

OBJECT

The object of the Association is that the community of Salt Spring Island play an effective part in the planning function in so far as it affects the Island and its people.

POLICY

It shall be the policy of the Association to

(a) ascertain the opinion of the community on matters of planning affecting the Island;

(b) conduct research into any and all aspects of planning on which it requires information;

(c) from time to time hold Public Meetings for the purpose of informing the community on the nature and significance of specific planning issues and obtaining expression of opinion on them;

(d) accept written briefs on planning matters prepared by residents and landowners of Salt Spring Island and pass them on to the Advisory Planning Commission with comments, suggestions, and opinions;

(e) receive requests from the Advisory Planning Commission for planning data or expression of opinion which the Commission may require for its own information or that of the Regional Board;

(f) present to the Advisory Planning Commission or other governing body resolutions on planning questions concerning which a reasonable assessment of public opinion has been made;

(g) hold its meetings in public, except when its business is of purely internal concern; and

(h) conduct its business without partisan or private interest.

BY-LAWS

MEMBERSHIP

(1) The memberships of the Association shall comprise these bodies:

(a) ELECTED MEMBERS who shall be residents or landowners of Salt Spring Island elected by the public at the Annual Meeting. There shall be fourteen Elected Members.

(b) EX OFFICIO MEMBERS who shall be the members of the Advisory Planning Commission of Planning Area No. 3, viz., Salt Spring Island. These members shall retain their autonomy.

(c) CO-OPTED MEMBERS who shall be as hereinafter provided.

(d) HONORARY MEMBERS who shall be persons who are interested in the work of the Association and wish to give it their support.

(2) Membership under clauses (a) and (c) of section (1) of this by-law will lapse on absence without just cause from three consecutive Association Meetings.

GOVERNMENT

The government of the Association shall be vested in a Board of Directors.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall consist of the Elected Members.

OFFICERS

The Officers shall consist of:

(a) ELECTED OFFICERS

The Elected Officers shall be the Chairmen of the five Standing Sub-Committees, as hereinafter provided, who shall be elected by the Board of Directors from among the Elected Members.

(b) CHAIRMAN of the Board of Directors

Each of the Chairmen of the Standing Sub-Committees shall assume the office of Chairman of the Board of Directors in rotation for a term extending from the adjournment of one Association Meeting to that of the next.

COMMITTEE and SUB-COMMITTEES of the Board of Directors
A Committee and Sub-Committees shall be constituted as follows:

(a) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall consist of the five Chairmen of the Standing Sub-Committees.

(b) STANDING SUB-COMMITTEES

There shall be five Standing Sub-Committees, each of which shall cover one of these planning areas:

Subdivisions and Land Uses

Local Government, Services, and Resources

Transportation and Communication

Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities

Building Codes, Controls, Pollution, Conservation, and Community Appearance

(c) SPECIAL SUB-COMMITTEES

The Board of Directors shall appoint Special Sub-Committees as deemed necessary to deal with problems outside the areas allotted to the Standing Sub-Committees. Such Sub-Committees shall cease on completion of their assignment.

ELECTIONS

(1) Elections shall be held at the Annual Meeting.

(2) Elected Members shall be elected by secret ballot.

(3) Elected Members shall be elected for a term of two years, one half elected in the odd year, and the other half elected in the even year.

(4) Notwithstanding the provisions of section (3) of this by-law, the number to be elected in any one year may be increased to fill vacancies.

POWERS

(1) BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall have power of authority over the affairs of the Association, and

(a) may delegate authority to the Executive Committee;

(b) shall elect the Chairmen of the Standing Sub-Committees;

(c) shall appoint Elected Members to the Standing Sub-Committees and, as required, to Special Sub-Committees;

(d) may co-opt members from among the residents or landowners of Salt Spring Island to fill such vacancies as may occur or to supplement the Standing Sub-Committees as need be, such co-opted members holding office up to the day of the Annual Meeting;

(e) shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer; and

(f) notwithstanding the provisions of clause (a) of By-Law 4, may in the event of vacancies appoint a maximum of two Co-opted Members to the chairmanship of Standing Sub-Committees, which offices they shall hold up to the day of the Annual Meeting.

(2) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall

(a) conduct the routine business of the Association;

(b) co-ordinate as required the activities of the Standing Sub-Committees;

(c) notwithstanding clause (b) of By-Law 4, select Chairmen from among the Elected Officers for the Annual Meeting and Public Meetings;

(d) assume any function delegated to it by the Board of Directors;

(e) provide on request information service to other community organizations.

(3) STANDING SUB-COMMITTEES

Each Standing Sub-Committee shall

(a) take such action as is necessary for the carrying out the tasks that come within its allotted area of the planning function, but where such action would involve the expenditure of Association funds, it shall be referred to the Board of Directors for ratification; and

(b) shall make progress reports at each Association Meeting.

DUTIES

(1) The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall be Chairman of the Executive Committee.

(2) No member of the Association shall promulgate any policy which may be construed as Association policy, unless such policy has been specifically authorized by the Board of Directors.

QUORUMS

(1) BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Eight members shall constitute a quorum of the Board of Directors.

(2) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Three members shall constitute a quorum of the Executive Committee.

(3) ANNUAL MEETING and PUBLIC MEETING

Fifty per centum of the Elected Members shall constitute a quorum at an Annual Meeting or a Public Meeting.

MEETINGS

(1) The ANNUAL MEETING shall be held on the first Monday in February at a time and place to be decided by the Executive Committee.

(2) ASSOCIATION MEETINGS shall be held on the first Monday in the month except in July and August, or as called by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee, when forty-eight hours notice shall be given.

(3) The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE shall meet at least once per month excepting July, as called by the Chairman.

(4) The BOARD OF DIRECTORS shall meet as required on the call of the Chairman.

(5) STANDING SUB-COMMITTEES shall meet regularly on the call of their Chairman.

(6) SPECIAL SUB-COMMITTEES shall meet on the call of their Chairmen.

SIGNING AUTHORITY

The Board of Directors shall designate authority, provided that two signatures are required, one of which must be an Elected Officer.

RULES OF ORDER

Robert's "Rules of Order" (Revised Edition) shall govern on all points of order not embodied in the Constitution and By-Laws.

AMENDMENTS

The Constitution and By-Laws may be rescinded or altered or added to by an extraordinary resolution passed by a majority of not less than two thirds of the Elected Members as are present at an Annual Meeting of which fourteen days notice specifying the intention to propose the resolution as an "extraordinary resolution" has been given.

ADDENDUM: To By-Law 6 add

(5) Voters shall be residents or landowners of Salt Spring Island.

RECIPIENTS NUMBER 45

Pioneers Are Feted At Golf Club

A total of 45 senior citizens of Salt Spring Island were honored on Friday afternoon at the Salt Spring Island Golf and Country Club.

They were recipients of pioneer medallions distributed by the province to those who were born or living in Canada prior to 1897. Of the group, 35 recipients were born outside the province and were living in Canada at that date and nine are natives of the province.

One is in her 100th year, Mrs. Ida Kelly.

Not all attended to enjoy the gathering and to take part in the ceremonies. Those who could not attend will receive their medallions later.

There are islanders who have fulfilled the conditions, but who had, for one reason or another, failed to register. The pioneers luncheon was for those who had registered.

Following are the old-timers who were awarded medallions:

Pioneers

Mr. J. T. Bond
Mrs. Elsie Maude Clarke
Mr. E. C. Collins
Mr. Ernest G. Collins
Mrs. M. E. Davis
Miss E. Helen Dean
Mr. Carl D. Finch
Mr. J. D. Fletcher
Mrs. E. Pauline Green
Mr. W. K. Halldorson
Mr. Claude H. Hamilton
Miss Georgina C. Hamilton
Mrs. Eva B. Henderson
Mr. W. D. Henderson
Mrs. Olive M. Holloway
Mrs. Josephine Howard
Mr. Victor L. Jackson
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Mrs. M. Maud Mollet
Mrs. Ruby M. Morris
Mr. W. M. Mouat
Mr. Edwin V. Parsons
Mr. Charles H. Paul
Mr. F. H. A. Reid

Mr. J. G. Reid
Mr. S. Bruce Reid
Mrs. Beatrice F. Saunders
Mrs. Emma D. Smith
Mr. Walter G. Stone
Mrs. Alice K. Thompson
Mr. W. H. Van Buskirk
Mr. Edward T. Walker
Mr. Joseph Wallis
Mr. J. F. Waterfall
Rev. T. F. Wright

Pioneers born in British Columbia

Mrs. Myrtle Jean Ashley
Mr. John A. Caldwell
Mr. Frank J. Grant
Mrs. Sophie King
Mrs. Margaret Manfield
Mrs. Mary Olivia Mouat
Miss Maud I. Scott
Mrs. Jessie Toynbee
Mrs. Louise Wiley

Centenarian

Mrs. Ida Irene Kelly
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Jim and Louisa Gal Money are home after a short trip to take Art Money home and have a trip to Harrison Hot Springs.

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BY PAPAJOHN

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Last week 22 grade 12 students from Mount View School in Victoria, under the guidance of Mrs. P. D. Crofton, their teacher in child care of home economics, visited our Saturna School for a four-hour visit.

Each one of our students had a couple of visitors as guests. Some of our male students were at first dubious at looking after a couple of older girls but soon lost their young boys' aversion to the opposite sex and were real gentlemanly. Irresistible Irene Lawson, devilish Donna Begon, elfin Elsie, our Padre Rev. J. Dangerfield, Tom Davidson and Bob Hindmarch took them all for a grand tour of the Island.

Tantalizing Taimi Hindmarch our school teacher, who had organized the trip is now going to take her pupils over to Victoria and the visitors will prepare and give them a luncheon at Mount View School. Maybe we should send some of our progressive and broad-minded teachers to the United Nations.

The sad news has a bright side to it this week. George Morgan had an operation and is coming along better than they had ever expected. Rosate Rosaleen Sumislawski is still in Lady Minto and is doing so good her doctors will be sending her home real soon.

Juvenescent Jean Howarth left the horrors of Toronto for a short visit to our fair Isle last week. (Thank goodness, our snow had disappeared.) We got all the

news but Jeannie, we were more interested in just seeing you looking so bright and refreshing.

In ye DRIFTWOOD "it says" that Salt Spring had over 36 inches of SNOW. As far as we can tell here from several sources we had about 19 inches. Saturna Islanders are not so wacky in wanting to live in the deep south. But we are not so selfish as not to be sorry for our northern neighbors.

The only visitors, or rather Saturna Islanders who have to live off Island, who came over this week were that hardy family, the John Cronkites and Cliff Sacker who says that he just has to come over for a few days of our quietness and clean air.

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Officers elected for the year
to come were George Wells,
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At the annual meeting a speci-
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This committee will consist
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Seems as though all I have done for the past week is wait for a ferryboat, going to and from Vancouver, and to and from Victoria... so I haven't got much news about folks on our own Island... did see Roy Harding in hospital in Vancouver. He expects that he will have to spend another couple of weeks there, but is very cheery. Another lady who is known to many on Galiano, Mrs. Hugh Horne has been in the General Hospital for almost three months I did not hear of it until her daughter, Mrs. George Tidswell wrote from Fernie. Mrs. Horne has been very ill during this time and is now hoping to go home soon. She says, "Hello!" to her friends here.

The bus strike sure gets to you when travelling in the cities. At one time I had to share a taxi with four other people, all wanting to go four different directions first. As I was the only one not to raise a big fuss, I got to travel all over the place, then to my destination. I stayed with Bob and Pam Bamford and two sons for two delightful days, then back home to get ready to go to Victoria for the opening of the Legislature on January 24.

This was not such a happy time as it usually is, as I found myself in the middle of the riot and being usually quiet and unaccustomed to large crowds, it was pretty terrifying for a little while.

Of course, I did not have to be where I was, and cannot blame anyone for any personal involvement. It just seemed to happen that way.

Having a seat in the ladies' gallery was a treat, and I waited just too long to try to get upstairs; the crowd of demonstrators surged in like a bunch of bugs, and I could not get one

way or the other up those stairs.

They were shouting and yelling, and when they tore down one of the flags, then it seemed to be getting pretty rowdy. Most of those shouting, "we want jobs", looked to me like just kids, too young to do useful work, and some of them were laughing, and anyone could tell that they were just along for the excitement of it all, and they were out for a good time.

I have often been accused of being conventional and old-fashioned, so maybe I was too harsh on this type of young person, but I cannot condone rudeness and disrespect. This is what we saw and we were quite mortified. Thank heavens they were a small minority of young people, and some not so young, either, but when you notice that they were about less than 2,000 they are really a small group!

It is unfortunate that they disrupted such a moving and important ceremony, but I have greater respect than ever for the RCMP, who showed, as always their rigid training and restraint in the face of hurled insults to them.

At the Empress it was different, not a whisper out of place, and the invitations were shown at the entrances. There, to the strains of an excellent band, we got a chance to say hello to the MLA's, and their charming wives, too.

Tea and cakes disappeared like magic, and it is interesting to see how the well-trained waitresses get through the big crowds without spilling the gigantic trays of food. Not so with the coffee or teacups held by the individual. It takes much skill to hold a full cup in one hand, along with all of the other junk you carry, try to drink tea gracefully, and dodge all of the crowd milling about.

Then to seek out, and wait your turn to speak to someone, and also to look at the variety of hats and costumes.

It was nice to sit alone on the bus on the way to Swartz Bay, after all of that noise and excitement; this new bus run is quite different than the last one, and it takes you all around the Saanich Peninsula, but we always arrive at the terminal before 7 p.m. making it much nicer than having to race all the way down that long causeway, knowing that the ferry is waiting for you.

I spoke to Charlie Morshead, who had just put his wife, Ivy, into Royal Jubilee Hospital for a serious operation on her eye. She will be there for a week or so. Maury Lupton is also still in Jubilee and will be coming home soon. Saw Nigel Morgan at the opening; he had just been to see Jimmy Hume in the Veterans' Hospital. Mr. Hume will be home soon, too, says Nigel.

The Annual Presentation Dinner of the Galiano Rod and Gun Club is set for January 30 at Galiano Lodge beginning at 6:30. President Henry Knudson is hoping for a large turnout to this dinner.

The annual meeting of the Rod and Gun Club is set for February 11 at the clubhouse; election of

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We are sorry that our minister, Rev. O.L. Foster has been under the weather, and unable to hold church services for the past two weeks.

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They Were All Old-Timers

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the many black families who pioneered Salt Spring Island. Mrs. Claibourne is a descendant of

the Stark family who farmed in the vicinity of St. Mary Lake more than a century ago.

Recipients were divided into three categories, pioneers born elsewhere in the world; those born in British Columbia and those in their 100th year who were in Canada in 1897. Last category was filled by only one applicant, Mrs. Ida Irene Kelly, who was represented by her daughter, Mrs. R.C. Laing.

There were the four Hamilton recipients, Claude, Georgina, Mrs. A. Davis and Mrs. Violet McClaron.

There was W. M. Mouat, who has lived here for 86 years, but was not born here.

John Caldwell found difficulty in jumping up from the table and Mr. Claibourne went to him with his medallion to save him the trouble.

And there were some who couldn't get there.

Mrs. Mary Olivia Mouat, the Collins Brothers, Walter Stone, Rev. T.F. Wright and others, were among the absent. They will, nevertheless, receive their medals.

The three Reids did not represent one family, although two Mouat nominees, with Mrs. R. Toynbee, did.

Mrs. Sophie King appeared for the oldest family on the island to be represented among recipients. Her forebears were among



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WEDNESDAY NIGHT BRIDGE RESUMED AT GOLF CLUB

The men's Wednesday night bridge has been resumed at the Salt Spring Island Golf and Country Club. The bridge evening will continue till Wednesday, April 21.

Players in the bridge tournament are Hart Bradley and D. Sapte; Howard Carlin and George St. Denis; Grant Cruickshank and Fred Morris; E. Hardie and John Foubister; Sam Hughes and C. Harrison; Gil Humphreys and Pat Lee; Bumps Irwin and R. Atkins; Hugh Ross and Al Pike; W.M. Mouat and W. Anderson; L. Phinney and Fred Ball; A. Villadsen and Gordon Crosby; Stan Wagg and Mervyn Gardner; L. Hardie and Roy King; J. McManus and N. Voddan; and Laurie Mouat and Bill Trelford.

Spare players willing to fill in are Walter Carlson, Marc Holmes, J. W. Mayo, Mac Mouat, Norman Mouat, L. Oliver, Graham Shove, John Sturdy, and Wally Thomas.

the South Sea Islanders who arrived here over 100 years ago. She was also among the senior citizens present, having already entered her nineties. She was born on Salt Spring Island in 1880.

The pioneers were welcomed by Mr. Anderson, who also introduced Mr. Calibourne.

There would be more gatherings for the pioneers of Salt Spring Island, said Mr. Anderson, and every pioneer on the island will be invited, whether or not he has registered with the committee.

Following the address by Miss Bea Hamilton, the old-timers posed for a group photograph by Connie Porter, before returning to their homes.

FULFORD TIDE TABLE

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 1971

DATE	TIME	HT.
29	0735	11.7
	1315	7.4
FR	1755	9.4
30	0030	2.7
	0750	11.7
SA	1410	6.1
	1920	8.8
31	0110	4.3
	0810	11.7
SU	1500	4.8
	2055	8.4
1	0150	6.0
	0840	11.5
MO	1555	3.8
	2250	8.5
2	0240	7.6
	0910	11.3
TU	1650	3.0
3	0110	9.2
	0345	9.0
WE	0930	11.0
	1750	2.4
4	0305	10.1
	0540	9.9
TH	1005	10.6
	1845	2.2

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