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## Investigation clears sewer petition

Ganges sewer petition has been given a clean bill of health.

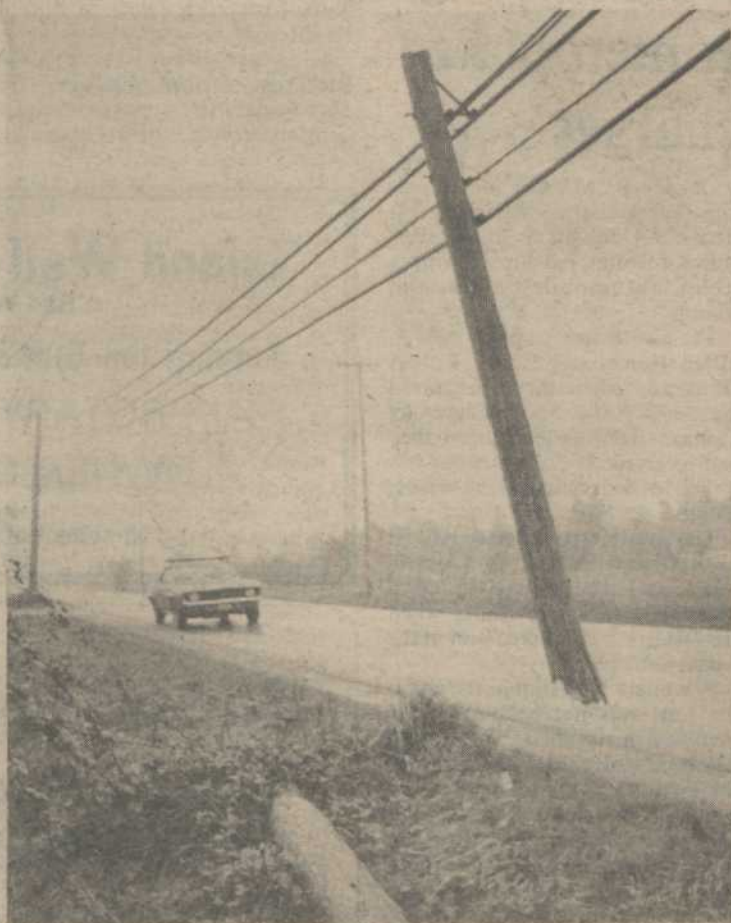
RCMP has been investigating complaints that signatures on the original sewer petition were forgeries.

On Monday the Attorney-General's office announced that the investigation had revealed that no offence had been committed in the taking up of the petition.

Yvette Valcourt, regional director for Salt Spring Island, had charged, among other allegations, that the petition bore forged signatures.

The police have now carried out two investigations into these charges and in both cases have come up with no evidence to support the claims.

The investigation was launched into the taking up of the petition in August, 1977, seeking support for the installation of a community sewer.



### Hanging right in there

Hydro pole was still hanging in there a few days after it was struck by vehicle on Lower Ganges Road.

## Arrests number 23 in area break-ins

Ganges RCMP have now arrested 23 individuals as their investigation continues into a rash of break-ins and thefts which have plagued Salt Spring Island businesses for the past three months.

The latest arrests come in the wake of an intensive five-week police investigation. Five adults and 18 juveniles have been arrested so far.

The 23 range in age from 14 years to early 20's and are all male.

Those adults arrested include Mathew Carter, 19, Richard McGoldrick, in his early 20's, David Bernard, 19, Joe Toutant, 19 and Barry Hodd, 17.

### THREE CHARGES

Carter was arrested January 19 and faces three charges, including two for breaking and entering and theft and one for possession of stolen property. He was escorted to Victoria by RCMP officers the following day and there he will appear before a provincial court judge.

Four charges have been laid against McGoldrick at this time. They include one count of assault causing bodily harm, two charges of breaking and entering and theft

and one charge of possession of stolen goods. The theft charges against McGoldrick are in connection with break-ins at Windsor Plywood, Ganges Western Drugs and a private residence.

Bernard has already entered a guilty plea to a charge of breaking and entering and theft at Windsor Plywood. Released from police custody on bail, Bernard is scheduled to appear for sentencing at provincial court in Victoria on January 29.

McGoldrick and Bernard were with Carter at the time of his arrest, according to Sgt. Mitch Hanks of Ganges RCMP.

### THREE BREAK-INS

RCMP arrested Toutant in connection with break-ins at Foxglove Farm and Garden Supplies, Gulf Islands Trading Co. and Nan's Coffee Bar at Fulford Harbour. He faces charges of breaking and entering and theft in connection with those break-ins and he is also charged in connection with the theft of gasoline from Bruce Fiander Esso.

Hodd was arrested along with a juvenile in connection with two residence break-ins and police are still contemplating charges against them. He is also charged with shoplifting at the et cetera bookstore.

Sgt. Hanks says that police are still investigating and expect to make more arrests.

## Salt Spring goes ahead

*and Ganges slows down to slow pace*

Ganges is lagging behind the rest of Salt Spring Island, despite the fact that the community plan designates it as the "centre for the whole of Salt Spring Island."

The population of Ganges, as a percentage of the population of the island, has been declining steadily during the past 15 years, wrote Tom Toynbee in a recent letter to the Islands Trust members for Salt Spring, Bud Kreissl and David Lott.

He explained that the recent Trust booklet, *Design Concepts*, had prompted the letter.

"I realize that the Trust does not want to promote growth," wrote Toynbee, "but in the case of Ganges, growth has fallen far behind that of the rest of the island."

Given reasonably favourable conditions the growth of Ganges, in terms of housing, commercial, institutional and other building, will naturally reflect the role of the village as a service centre for the island, he suggested.

He listed the problem areas "that must receive immediate attention if development of Ganges is going to resemble what is envisioned in the community plan."

•**Sewers:** Construction may commence in the near future. In

such case it will encourage action in other areas, such as roads, water supply and elsewhere. But further delay in the sewer scheme should not be used as an excuse for delay in other important areas.

•**Highways:** The Ganges road system is in urgent need of upgrading and this need has been

linked to sewer installation. Drainage is a problem also closely related to the sewer scheme. Ministry of highways should give these matters the necessary priority if sewers go in, urged the Mouat's Trading Co. spokesman.

The by-pass road around the village is of equal importance. A

cornerstone of the community plan, it has been neglected. Further neglect will lead to extreme bottlenecks in the core and the upper village. The coastal village atmosphere envisaged in the plan cannot be attained unless a good deal of the pressure of through-traffic is removed.

•**Parking:** Salt Spring Island is very extensive and the automobile is a necessity. Limited growth in the village has resulted in few people living within walking distance of the shopping area. Fishing, boat-launching, water taxis, float planes all draw automobiles to the same village centre and add to the problem.

•**Walkways:** The ideas offered in the design booklet are a start towards development of a pleasing plan for pedestrian movement through the village. The present picture is an obstacle course to face the pedestrian moving from one building to another. Once again, walkways are probably held up by uncertainty over sewers, but they should be given priority.

•**Utilities:** Inadequate water mains await the sewer project for upgrading. The same sewer project might be tied in with underground hydro and telephone services.

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## Museum committee obtains heritage house at Vesuvius

A major step towards setting up a museum on Salt Spring Island has been taken by the museum committee of the Farmers' Institute.

A house at Vesuvius Bay which was purchased by the B.C. Ferry Corporation last year has been obtained by the institute and will be restored as a heritage house.

The museum committee and the heritage committee of the Community Arts Council successfully negotiated for the building with the ferry corporation, the Heritage Trust and the provincial heritage and conservation branch.

The house was built around 1890 and is located opposite the Seaside Kitchen at Vesuvius Bay.

Next month it will be moved to the Farmers' Institute property on Rainbow Road.

First stage of the restoration project will see the house get a new roof and a paint job. The committee is hoping to have two rooms finished and open to the public by summer.

Period furnishings and household articles are being sought by the museum committee to complete the display. Anyone who would care to loan or donate such items is invited to contact committee member Marguerite Lee or the Farmers' Institute executive.

The house was built by E.J. Bittancourt and served as the first store at Vesuvius.

## Islands are second-class, says Wallace

Islands are second-class territory in the province, charged Gordon Wallace at an Islands Trust committee meeting last week.

Ministry of municipal affairs does not extend assistance under the Downtown Revitalization Program to the islands or other unorganized territory.

Assistant deputy minister C.L. Woodward has written to Islands Trust planner Dean Strongitharm to explain that the Special Fund Act, of 1980, restricts the benefits to municipalities and the business community.

The letter was read at the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee meeting Wednesday.

The ministry of municipal affairs has taken the position that the program applies solely to

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## Glenn Woodley is named principal

The Gulf Islands School Board gave unanimous approval to the appointment of a new principal at Fernwood Elementary School at last Tuesday night's board meeting.

Glenn Woodley, vice-principal at Salt Spring Elementary School for the past 12 years, will assume his new duties effective February 2. He also teaches Grade Seven social studies and science in the gifted program at Salt Spring Elementary.

"I'm excited about getting my

own school and I'm looking forward to seeing some growth and development of the Fernwood School," said Woodley the following day.

Woodley, 41, is also the chairman of the recreation commission and recently graduated from the University of Victoria with his master's degree in education.

He replaces former principal Alan Marsh who died in early December.

Woodley and his wife of 23 years, Linda, have four children, Debbie, David, Barbara and Glenda.

The school board also gave approval to replace Woodley's position at Salt Spring Elementary School with two part-time administrative assistants, one at

the primary level and the other at the intermediate level.

By doing so the board hopes to gain more input from both levels at the school.

The two administrative assistant positions will be filled from applications taken from within the school district.

## Police contemplate charges

Ganges RCMP are contemplating laying charges against a 14-year-old Coquitlam youth after police encountered him driving a stolen automobile on Galiano Island.

The youth was stopped by Sgt. Mitch Hanks and Const. Robert O'Connor when they recognized the 1970 Rally Sport Chevrolet Camaro from a description they had received.

The officers made the arrest about 9 am Saturday.

The youth had been sought in connection with the theft of a small boat and the break-in of a residence on Gossip Island when the officers encountered him in the stolen vehicle.

A woman with him in the car at the time was not believed to be involved in the theft. The vehicle had been stolen three days prior to the arrest.

Police do not expect to lay charges in connection with the boat theft or break-in, according to Hanks.

## Second-class islands

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incorporated communities, said Woodward.

"This letter makes Islands Trust area residents into second-class citizens," charged vice-chairman Wallace. "We should take steps to have a change made. It wasn't planned that way. It was a lack of planning. We shouldn't be pushed around like that!"

Mike Humphreys suggested that the ministry appears to have some discretionary powers.

"It might be worth exploring to what extent it is a discretionary decision," he suggested.

The ministerial letter got in the last word.

Last paragraph explained that there are other communities similar to Ganges throughout the province which are considering municipal status.

## Chamber names new board at Ganges annual meeting

An ailing chamber of commerce gained a shot in the arm on Wednesday evening last week when Salt Spring Island businessmen rallied to its aid and elected a new slate of officers.

Before the evening was out the chamber had gained its executive as well as a variety of community projects to investigate.

New president of the Salt Spring Island Chamber is Bert Elford. He is the former co-owner of Booth Bay Resort.

Vice-president is Frank Richards, former publisher of *Driftwood*; treasurer is Sandy Gordon, serving a further term and

the appointed secretary is Judy Ripley.

Directors are Doug Foerster, Don Perkins, Ben Martens, Santy Fuoco, Phil Valcourt, Fred Bruynse, Halvor Eide, Irene Tranter and Mrs. Osterman.

Past president is Jake Javorski.

## Safety has price

Even safety has a price. Bumper replacement on a 1972 Corvette costs approximately \$215. The same job on a 1978 model costs \$684 - a 218% price increase.

## Police recover body from Trincomali

The Sidney detachment of the RCMP recovered the badly decomposed body of a woman in Trincomali Channel near Porlier Pass on January 20.

Discovered by crews of the tug *Nanoose Yarder* and the fishboat *G.D. Emmerson*, the body was recovered from the water by the RCMP boat *P.V. Harvison*, and taken to Sidney.

Police have yet to identify the victim or the cause of death. Foul play is not suspected.

## Garage entered

A break-in at S.S. Island Garage early Monday morning is still under police investigation, according to Sgt. Mitch Hanks of Ganges RCMP.

Thieves forced their way into the station after breaking a window and removed a quantity of change.

Police have no suspect in the case at this time, according to Hanks.

## Ganges lags behind

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•**Projected growth:** More information is needed on the future needs of the island. Much development will come as a direct response to those needs. For example, five years ago Lady Minto Hospital had 30 acute and extended care beds. There are now 50 beds in all as well as an additional 50 beds at Greenwoods. Substantial additions may be demanded soon, but they have not been "plugged into" the community plan or the plan for servicing. **NOT IDEAL**

In conclusion, Toynbee agreed that the Trust is not ideally structured to deal with these matters because it must depend on other government agencies to take action, but the Trust must show leadership in view of its function as the planning agency in the islands.

He visualizes an enthusiastic citizens' committee working with the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee to bring the visions of

the community plan to life.

"I ask you to give early attention to the future of Ganges," the letter ended. "After a long period of stagnation, it is vital that the roadblocks to rational and attractive development be cleared away."

Tom Toynbee was not present at the Trust meeting last week, but Doug Foerster spoke to the proposal.

**WHAT TO DO?**

"If the community plan is not effective, what can we do to make it more effective?" he asked the committee.

Bud Kreissl agreed that the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee must take some action. "We've got to get something started," he replied to Foerster.

Chairman John Rich agreed to have the points made in the letter analyzed and to arrange a meeting with the highways ministry.

The letter will be debated at length at the February Trust committee meeting in Ganges.

## British Columbia Assessment Authority COURT OF REVISION

TAKE NOTICE that the first sitting of the Court of Revision to hear appeals concerning the 1981 Assessment Roll for the Saanich and The Islands Assessment Area will be as follows:

**SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 64 (GULF ISLANDS)**

GULF ISLANDS COLLECTION DISTRICT Feb. 2, 1981  
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LOCATION: Court House, Ganges, B.C.

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## To Be Frank

by richards



If I were a civil servant I would be fighting tooth and nail for an indexed pension. I would know that I was a privileged person, entitled to benefits far above those accruing to common men. But, as I am not a civil servant, I suffer a sense of frustration over the whole debate. As a military functionary I saw innumerable men promoted over my head and never felt any resentment. As a retiring reporter I feel resentment that others are climbing over me to prosperity. My advice to my grandchildren is carefully rehearsed. Fight! Fight! Fight to be an Indian or a civil servant. They will be the elite of the future. In fact, an Indian civil servant will be the ultimate heir to today's Wasp, with interest in gold bars!

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While thinking of labour and laborious considerations, I heard a comment on the radio condemning a public employers' group for lack of preparedness to negotiate. And I wondered. The Oxford Universal Dictionary identifies negotiation as a French derivation, *neg: not and otium: ease*. It is not easy. I could buy that. To confer for the purpose of arranging some matter by mutual agreement. But there is no suggestion of external forces. Like the threat of strike or lock-out. Negotiation has agreement as its purpose. I suspect many who engage in negotiation today are not aiming at agreement, but at victory. The second definition comes nearer home: *to deal with, manage or conduct*. That sounds more like reality. To get or give value for: that makes me pause. To carry out a business or monetary transaction. Now, that sounds much more like the modern meaning of negotiate. But the final definition of the Oxford Universal is the one which really rings the bell, when it comes to more pay: *To clear (a hedge or fence); to succeed in getting round, over or through an obstacle*. Now, that's negotiating!

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Why does it take a month for air mail to reach British Columbia from the United Kingdom, asks Joan Buckley. She recalls that at one time mail would come by air in four to seven days. Last week she received some of her English Christmas cards, all despatched by air. You might think, at first, that the fault lay with Maggie Thatcher and Jim Callaghan, militantly sitting on the mail to prevent negotiation. But the same mail through the United States takes half the time. Is it the fault of inadequacies in Montreal, asked Joan. But a number of letters mailed in Victoria to Salt Spring Island took over a week to cross the channel. One letter, according to an expatriate islander, took four days to get from the mail drop to the post office box in the Victoria post office. There is no rhyme; no reason to postal delays. A century ago the mail service was far more efficient than it is today. And it is more than a century ago that all the rules and regulations were drawn up. It is high time the federal government accepted defeat and permitted a competitive postal system. Let's keep the post office going to auld lang syne, but a privately operated courier service, licensed to carry letters would undoubtedly have a salutary effect on the present system.

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Trouble with examining other people's mistakes is that it is far easier to find what is good and turn it sour than it is to find those things that are bad and improve them. And I should know: I was one of those little boys that little girls got beaten for going out with!

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The other day I was sitting in the car listening to the news when I heard a report from Britain. And I couldn't understand what the fellow was saying. Which worries me. How long will it be before I don't understand what I'm saying? Or maybe I shouldn't ask that! But it got me to thinking about changes in familiar places. For example, if you invite a friend to visit Gwynedd, Gwent and Clwyd, where might you be? You could travel through Powys and Dyfed and still not get the message. It's only when you find the last three Welsh counties that you realize that it's all in Britain. The last three are Glamorgan, Glamorgan and Glamorgan, and what could be more Welsh than those?

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I needed a tripod, explained Tony, to cut some wood. So he found me one, solidly mounted on its four legs.

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I have been invited to subscribe to a scheme for the collection of banknotes. But I'd sooner do what the vendors of the collection are doing, keep all my Canadian banknotes and forget the collection of unspendables, even if they could make me a millionaire.

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I'm making my own small protest against the intrusion of quasi medicine into the social scene. To the best of my extensive, researched knowledge, no patient has yet died of dandruff. Apart from Madison Square Dandruff Hospital, no serious concern has been devoted to the dread disease. So I decided to start a campaign advocating dandruff. And here's the start:

Macho men, with hair to spare,  
Have a little dandruff there.

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Cost of island property can be gained from a classified in *Driftwood* last week. A prospector's tent was listed, without any land of any kind. The tent was listed at \$125,000. In its defence it could be noted that the owner was happy to settle for \$125.

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## Farms for lease and all content

When local trustees of Salt Spring Island examined a proposal to lease out farm property at Burgoyne Bay, they were delighted with the prospect of more farm lands, but they wanted a careful examination of the plan.

Texada Logging Co., which administers the 969-acre property, asked for the privilege of building for population at the density for

the zone, without subdivision. By this means the Trust would permit the same number of homes per parcel as if the land were, in fact, subdivided. And the owners would rent out the homes with a small farm property.

The large acreage already has 12 dwellings dotted about. There are already farm properties leased for cultivation or grazing.

Of the total acreage, 455 are in the agricultural zone and the owners had asked that this be considered stage one. The remaining 514 acres lies in the rural zone. There are 11 dwellings in the agricultural zone and one in the rural area. Applicants want to build 12 in the agricultural zone and seven in the rural area.

The applicants explained earlier that they are not asking for simple

subdivision because they do not want to construct roads and other works in an area they seek to farm. Nor do they want to pay for such works when there is no likelihood of recovering those costs.

### MORE FARMS

The trustees agreed that the project follows the pattern of development they favour, increasing the farming commitment of the Burgoyne Valley.

On Wednesday the trustees agreed that the Lot Averaging Bylaw will permit the siting of 10 additional homes in the rural zone. They also invited the developer to reverse his plans and to consider the rural zone development first.

Appearing for the company, planner Tom Loney welcomed the proposal. He also noted that the homes will, in all probability, be out of sight of passers-by.

## What does it do for you?

What does tourism do for you? Every Salt Spring Island businessman should examine his own records and ask himself that question, said tourist committee chairman Doug Foerster at Wednesday evening's meeting of the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce.

If a business house is not prepared to acknowledge its debt to tourism, the operator is taking a fast dollar, said the speaker. The tourist industry is a very important part of the island economy, asserted Foerster in a quick summary of the past year's activities.

In particular, he commended the more than 50 volunteers who have helped with the tourist information program.

People in resorts on the island have not been as strong in their support of the chamber as they might be, he concluded.

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## Something wrong

In a society which has long since depended on the small businessman to augment its tax revenues, the recent astronomical increase in business licenses was not surprising.

The small businesses of the islands will be making their own representations to the government. But the new license fees extend beyond the small businessman. They even attack the farmer and the man in his garden.

The gardener who has sold his produce at the farmers' markets on various islands is now being milked. If an islander grows 10 pounds of rhubarb, he must take out a \$40 license in order to sell it. The chicken-fancier who has half a dozen cartons of eggs beyond his needs must pay a license to be permitted to sell them at the farmers' market.

A community figure for several years sold home-made sausage rolls in Ganges on Saturday mornings. She raised funds to spend on holiday by means of her sales. She would have had nothing to spend if she had tried it today. Her profits would have been swallowed up in the license fee.

To charge the small-time grower to sell his produce is paltry. The government is obviously in desperate need of funds. But it should pause, even now, and wonder whether some of these, its victims, might not be in even more desperate need.

When a responsible government in today's hungry world tells gardeners, "Throw your produce in the garbage!" there is something wrong with that government. And this license fee spells out exactly that message.

## The date

Everyone is getting into the act when it comes to writing the date. There is the scrupulous writer who spells out every word and carefully crosses every "T". He sets down, January 27th., 1981. The over-zealous writer even adds Anno Domini to prove his erudition and establish that he is not labouring under the delusion that it is still the era before Christ.

The British Columbia businessman writes in much the same manner, omitting periods after the "TH" if his stenographer has attended the right schools. The other school of stenography omits the "TH" altogether.

The casual correspondent spells out the part of the month that conveys the message and leaves the rest. We see Jan 27, 1981. Sometimes there is a period after Jan. Sometimes the 1981 becomes 81. The rare writer of today who is acquainted with apostrophes may even write it, '81, but that savours of the archaic.

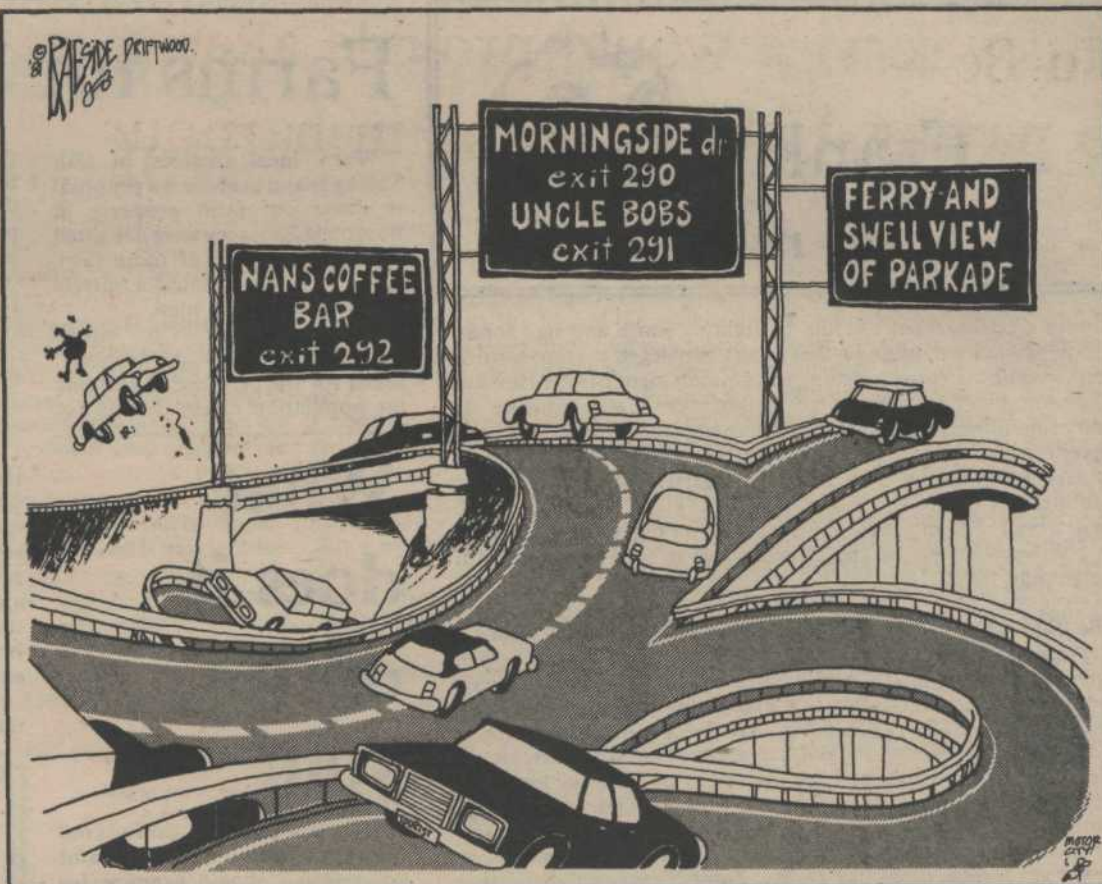
The classicist may prefer to go Roman and write the date, 27-i-81.

The modernist has chosen the American code and places the month first. 1-27-81 is clear to any fool. By the first of April everyone is a fool and the date reads either 1-4-81 or 4-1-81 and the recipient is left to figure it out. The pattern of mail delivery is such that either is credible.

The academic-scholastic style brings everything into focus, with 81-1-72, which is unarguable. On the other hand, in 20 years time, 1-1-1 will obviously be January 1, 2001. But will 1-4-4 be January 4, 2004 or April 4, 2001?

All these changes and proposals would be perfect if they were comprehensible. But for every change that is made, there must be an innumerable list of victims.

Let us hope all these amateur Julius Caesars will get together one day and agree on one standard pattern of writing dates with grief to none. Until that time *Driftwood* will appear each week, clearly dated in traditional Canadian newspaper style, January 28, 1981.



## Letters to the Editor

### Greenpeace supported

Sir,

There was a time when biggest was best, but I believe that things have changed. The *Queen Elizabeth* and the *Queen Mary* were retired because they were too big.

Greenpeace activities - I have often been exasperated about some of their activities such as protecting all seals and sealions who are eating up most of the salmon and bottom fish now, when there should be a measure of control over their increasing numbers to keep things in balance to protect our living.

When Greenpeace are trying to prevent the entry of excessively large oil tankers into the straits, then I say thank goodness someone is protesting. I don't believe these ships are safe no matter how many trial runs are made. These ships are too large to safely navigate inland waters amongst already busy shipping lanes. We all know that human error and mechanical failure upset the best laid plans. The potential for disaster is too great to be contemplated.

Our commercial fishermen, of whom I am one, are a surprisingly apathetic group of people, because although each of us makes a living from the bounty of the sea, no one seems to have any opinion about what is going on, and the things that affect our livelihood and our way of life seem to be of no concern.

How about it, fishermen, or will you all wait until it is all too late. I get a little frustrated at times.

GEOFF HOWLAND,  
Box 14,  
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this week,  
says the Salt Spring  
Island Chamber  
of Commerce.

### Remember June 1, says blood clinic chairman

Sir,

On behalf of the Canadian Red Cross and Salt Spring Island Branch, the Royal Canadian Legion, I would like to thank the 217 ladies and gentlemen who remembered and offered to donate their pint of blood.

Due to restrictions, 190 were accepted as donors. This is an increase of 40 donors over the June 1980 clinic, however, still 60 short of the 250-pint target, yet to be reached in the 16 clinics held since May 1972!

We congratulate the RCMP and the Rotary Club for sharing, again, first place in the Legion Past-President's Trophy. They were followed closely by the Legion, Lady Minto Hospital and B.C. Ferries. The Lions Club and the graduate class G.I.S.S. tied for fifth place. We thank all those who took part in this competition and wish them success in the next clinic Monday, June 1, 1981.

Our thanks to all those businesses, organizations and individuals who helped in advertising the clinic.

A special thanks to you Mr. Editor, and to the staff of *Driftwood* for their extra special effort in filling the pages of the January 14, 1981 edition with one write-up, 11 humorous notices and one letter to the editor, all reminding their readers about the blood clinic and the very urgent need for blood! This public service to our community is to be commended.

The next blood clinic at the Legion hall is scheduled for Monday, June 1, 1981. We, again, ask everybody to mark their calendars and make every effort to remember that date and on June 1 help us reach the 250-pint target, which can be reached with the support of our registered blood donors and all those of 17 to 66, who have yet to donate.

PETER BINGHAM,  
Chairman, Blood Clinic  
Committee,  
Ganges.  
January 20, 1981.

P.S. Our thanks also to those members of *Driftwood*, who in addition to their work on the paper, gave their blood.

### No development outside waterworks boundaries

Sir,

In reply to the letter in your paper of January 21, 1981, written by Pat Tiernan; the North Salt Spring Waterworks District is not standing by with ostrich-like aloofness in respect to the proposed new sewer system. The water district has two concerns with this sewer project as listed below.

1. When the sewer mains are being installed, some of our water mains will be disturbed. It is agreed, and provided for by the sewer project, that these mains will be relaid.

2. We have indeed checked to insure that no fresh water is to be used in the sewage treatment process (letter from CRD on file). As a precaution we will only provide a regular household connection to the plant.

For Mr. Tiernan's information

anyone owning property in this Water District, and who has been paying parcel taxes, is entitled to be (and will be) connected to the District's water supply. This of course includes those in the area of the proposed sewer system.

Furthermore, anyone so connected will draw their water through a water meter and pay for said consumption. This water will of course be discharged into the sewer system rather than into septic tanks as in the rest of the District.

What the Board has said is that any development outside the District boundaries cannot be accepted into the District until the quality of water in St. Mary Lake is protected from rapid deterioration.

D.R. LOCHHEAD, for the  
Trustees of the North Salt Spring  
Waterworks District.  
January 23, 1981.



## Jitney service would provide alternative to paving Fulford, filling in harbour

Sir,

The automobile is an energy glut! We have started to move towards smaller cars and not long from now, we may be paddling up the creek. Because of cars, parking lots, highways, etc., we displace people, eat up farmland, pollute our air, etc. It seems our ferries are built more to carry scrap metal back and forth rather than people.

Really, are we going to sit by while our homes get torn down, our energy and creativity bulldozed in a pile and burnt, our roots buried under asphalt without even considering that what we are doing or allowing others to do, might be ignorant. Developers, vacationers, and those using Salt Spring Island as a bedroom while creating waste paper in Victoria, might like bigger and more facilities, but I do not intend to continue to subsidize these folks and their habits, which as a whole contribute nothing to society and are somewhat a liability. It's time for us all to change - learn from our mistakes and change. Continuing in our present direction, we may gradually have to pave all of Fulford and fill in the harbour as well.

Look at some of our monied, environmental and social costs; paving and upkeep of parking facilities; house removal and purchase of land; bigger ferries and bigger B.C. Ferries debt; more cars thus more car repairs, road repairs, roads, pollution, noise, accidents; more land buried under; and

displaced people, are some of the costs.

Now some benefits of a small busing service meeting every ferry, which would be Salt Spring Island orientated and attempting to serve the needs and demands of the community.

This would mean less cars, therefore less car repairs, wear and tear on existing roads, less pollution and accidents and an opportunity for non-drivers to get back and forth on the island easily. The service would provide employment for drivers, cut down on total gas energy consumption, and leave us with a more harmonious relationship with our

neighbours who might otherwise be displaced.

I propose along with other Chameleons the "Jitney Alternative" as better than more parking lots and ferries, and ferry terminals. If there are better alternatives we will support them, but if we need any evidence to prove that parking lots, freeways and other auto accommodating structures are an inefficient way of moving people and creating social havoc - look at our cities, look at Los Angeles.

**CROWBIRD,**  
Chameleon Party of B.C.,  
Box 765, Ganges.  
January, 1981.

## Taxes for peace, not war

Sir,

Most people undoubtedly applaud when the federal government appoints an Ambassador for Disarmament or when one of its representatives makes a speech at the United Nations calling for an end to the arms race. These things, however, seem like so much flim flam given the fact that the federal government (through the Departments of Defence and Industry, Trade, and Commerce) provides tens of millions of dollars in subsidies to private industry to export arms for profit.

That the world is spending about \$400 billion a year - nearly \$1 million a minute - on senseless instruments of death and destruction is nothing less than obscene when you consider the positive uses to which that money could be put. For example, it has been estimated that all the world's infants could be vaccinated against infectious diseases with the money

needed for 13 hours of arms spending, that malaria could be wiped out forever with the cash required to fuel less than a day's arms production, that the diversion of dollars from just a few days of weapons spending could be used to provide clean water supplies for the whole world. The list goes on and on.

It has been argued that Canada's contribution to NATO is so small as to be next to meaningless. Rather than increase that contribution, I would like to see this country give up its pretense at a military establishment. Because of our geographic location and the fact that we are not a super-power (with attendant "responsibilities"), we have the precious opportunity to take an independent stand among nations and truly commit ourselves to the causes of peace and a better world.

Our contribution to the global community would increase immeasurably if we had the courage and conviction to divert the millions of dollars we now spend on weapons to an effort aimed at lifting the veil of shame that now enshrouds what we like to call civilization. The alternative to such courage and conviction is the bomb shelter and what it symbolizes - "an evil place... a sepulchre of death, a pit of penumbra and nameless terror" to use the words of a columnist for *Monday Magazine*.

Taxes for Peace, not War!

**JANET KIRK,**  
402-118 Croft St.,  
Victoria, B.C.  
January 15, 1981.

## 'A pack of damned traitors'

Sir,

I received the November 26 edition of *Driftwood* yesterday (January 14) so I'm way behind the times but the article about the so-called Western Nationalist Party made my blood boil!

They call themselves "central-rightists" - centre of whom? As rightwing separatists who want to sell off our oil to the multinational corporations, are prejudiced against Quebec, and hostile to our national framework, I consider them to be nothing more than a pack of damned traitors!

I believe in self-determination for the Native Canadians, the French language group, and the various minority peoples of Canada but I'm deadset against any form of "separatism."

I believe in diversity under law and equal representation, not every man for himself and the hell with Ottawa, Canada, surely, has not forgotten her sons and daughters who died in Europe fighting the fascists!

**PETER RAMSEY,**  
Seattle Central Community College,  
Seattle, Wash.  
January 15, 1981.

## Bus service would be solution

Sir,

The current debate regarding additional parking facilities in Fulford takes for granted that we must choose between the lesser of two evils - filling in part of Fulford Harbour, with the loss of two homes and the scenic beauty of the village - or the construction of a new terminal at Isabella Point which would involve the loss of several acres as well as a drastic intrusion of traffic and ugliness into that still unspoiled area.

Certainly any savings in fuel costs from the shorter ferry route from Isabella Point would be eaten up by the cost of the terminal, increase driving distance to Isabella Point and the expense of upgrading Isabella Point Road.

Why not a solution which benefits the island? A bus service connecting between Fulford and Ganges, with a bus to meet each ferry, would dispense the need for more parking space and provide a much-needed service for commuters, visitors and islanders in general. The ferry schedule is ideally suited for a 40-minute run between Ganges and Fulford allowing for several stops in between.

The service could be extended to the northern end or Beaver Point during the time gaps when the ferries lay over in Fulford or Swartz Bay. A mini-bus could be purchased cheaply and at least two jobs for drivers could be provided. That way nobody loses and a lot of people gain.

**ELISSA POOLE,**  
R.R.1,  
Fulford.  
January 26, 1981.

## The Anarchist

### American Pie

As the week began I was aware of the disparate elements which clamoured for top billing, Presidents, soon-to-be-ex-presidents, soon-to-be-free hostages and an assortment of near-300 lb. padded cliches plus a supporting cast of 80,000 worshippers at the annual spectacle of the Superbowl, or Stonehenge-with-muscles.

Being of an analytical bent of mind, I reasoned that these various items, each with an established symbolic meaning, should impose limitations on each other, providing us with a set of filters which would sharpen each image by the sheer necessity of isolating tradition from trauma, and both from the banality of sport as a consumer festival.

I was very wrong.

In a maudlin confusion of unendurable length the voice of America narrated the recipe for mass-produced American Pie: the crust is unleavened with decency, the filling is a tasteless pulp of pre-packaged synthetic values, the topping is sickly-sweet sentimentality, it comes in a media package stamped "Made in U.S.A." and wrapped with a faded yellow ribbon.

The contents are guaranteed to induce nausea.

**TORY TWIST**

Mr. Joe Clark, who does not believe in referendums, taxes the Liberals with ignoring the significance of public polls which criticize the government, while his staff tries to bury one survey of his caucus which questions his leadership, and he denies that another public survey which finds him unsatisfactory, has any relevance.

Why doesn't he suggest the party hold a referendum on it in which case he can claim the results are unconstitutional.

**TRANSFER PAYMENTS**

With increasing frequency I find myself at odds with one or more of those projects or programs which in most ways I would wish to support; thus in recent months I have felt unease and unfocused anger while hearing or reading someone promoting the interests of minorities, women, Native Rights, consumer protection and the environment.

Since I prefer to keep the surrounding confusion to a minimum it is most unwelcome to have to try to determine whether in each case the current advocate is making a point at the expense of common sense. All of which led me

to make an effort to identify the common irritant in each case, this in the fervent hope that it was neither my digestion nor my empathy for the group in question.

To my great relief I have isolated the negative factor in the problem and it is simply this; each issue in turn goes through a series of stages from recognition to the point where it becomes institutionalized. By this time it has its own administrators, prophets, bureaucrats, dogma, sects and even a complete literature; this is the stage at which it is appropriated by self-proclaimed licensed advocates of the ruling orthodoxy who make the same unpleasant noises as the advocates of the alternate orthodoxy.

Eventually one is left with a near impossible choice as to which alternate is really alternative.

There is a point to all this, and it concerns money and lawyers.

Last week Ottawa announced the provision of a further \$150,000 to a native group in the interior for the preparation of another intervention in the case of a land claim. The amount is relatively small as these things go, but it is not the amount which matters.

We hear that the government is giving money to "the Indians," whereas in fact that money along with the millions which have preceded it will wind up in the hands of the legal advisers and other professionals who will construct an argument, and the hotels and restaurants where the delegation will stay after they have paid an airline to fly them to the hearing.

The next thing we will hear of the case will be the legalisms which are supposed to identify the culture of a people to whom custom was the essence of a life where "Law" was unthinkable.

And that is the point where once again I will grate my teeth and wish the native speaker would stop sounding like a corporate vice-president.

Just as I did when Dr. Moore of Greenpeace made pseudo-scientific noises about the successful completion of tests as to the ability of 14-foot zodiacs to force a 180,000-ton supertanker to stop in the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

But whatever the outcome in either case there is one certainty.

The lawyers who prepare the briefs, and the defence and the prosecution for those arrested, will be paid the legal fees which are the price of discussing freedom in this very strange society.

## Is Ganges to become another Colwood?

Sir,

Most of us came here to stay because we first came to visit and were awed at this tranquil and beautiful place, Salt Spring Island.

Now here we sit and watch the gradual and permanent destruction of this island. The world is in a state of chaos. So what does it matter. We'll all go down with the ship. You can't stop it, it's bound to happen.

But, oh wouldn't it be nice to save a little bit of sanity. Even if it's like a museum just to look at and to visit for the majority of people.

Ganges is going nuts! Four banks! I've heard that people on Salt Spring have a lot of money but do we really need four banks on an island that still only has a few thousand full-time residents?

Now, we are expected to

purchase vending permits for the village market. The very market that all summer long attracts thousands of visitors to Ganges to fatten our pockets.

It is only a few hours a week, a few months of the year. Why is it such a threat to some people?

We can have Ganges with its own village market, or instead Ganges with shopping plazas and huge grocery stores. They are everywhere else. Couldn't we leave Ganges as it is without turning it into another Colwood? Next thing you know there will be a MacDonald's on the Ganges Road. (If I dare to mention that).

Now, much to my chagrin Fulford is headed towards a similar fate. The very houses that make Fulford, are scheduled for

Demolition. Heavens, the Patterson's old house was the first village store in Fulford. And, how about the Patterson's themselves? Where are they to go? Perhaps to a condominium in Ganges!

What would we rather have, human beings breathing oxygen or automobiles spewing carbon monoxide in every direction?

Help! Help! Save the island from total 'Construction' before it is absolutely too late.

Can we not build and develop in a conscientious way without destroying what was here before us and altering the very way of life that we sought in the beginning?

**S. BECKLEY,**  
R.R.1,  
Fulford Harbour.  
January, 1981.



## Serious drawbacks are seen in government's energy program

Ottawa winters are something else! Of course we were warned in advance and bought snow boots and long johns to help us cope. The weatherman has returned the compliment and provided us with the coldest winter in years. This has helped me to develop a new perspective on oil and gas supplies.

When we lived in Ladysmith we depended on the oil truck to keep our furnace supplied with fuel. On the few occasions when we ran out we turned to the fireplace. We knew that we had plenty of wood to cut and that winter wouldn't last long anyhow. We could even look back with nostalgia to years when wood was our only source of heat. As a result we appreciated the comfort and convenience of oil but never felt totally dependent upon it.

In Ottawa we have no wood supply and no fireplace in which to burn it. The weather is too cold for us to depend upon any haphazard system of heating. Eastern Canadians depend upon oil and natural gas from western Canada to survive.

This illustrates why the energy question is so crucial to Canada's future, and indeed, the world's. Industry, transportation and food production as well as heating all depend upon a supply of energy which is both dependable and convenient.

### SERIOUS DRAWBACKS

While the government program to Canadianize our oil and gas industry, the National Energy Program, has some commendable features, it also has serious drawbacks. Ian Waddell, energy critic for the New Democrats, has pointed to the loopholes in the provisions for 50% Canadian ownership before new oil production is allowed in frontier areas.

### Shouldn't spend it she urges

Millions should not be spent for minor improvement, regional director Yvette Valcourt told the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce last week.

She asked for chamber support in opposing the \$4.1 million sewer project for Ganges. "The chamber of commerce should recognize the economic impact of what is going to happen," she warned the meeting.

It is something the chamber of commerce should be interested in, she concluded.

## Ottawa report

BY JIM MANLY, MP

For example, Imperial Oil has 30% Canadian ownership. If it entered a 70%/30% agreement with Petrocan, which is 100% Canadian owned, it would qualify for a production license since 51% of the combined investment of Imperial and Petrocan would be Canadian owned. But since Imperial is 70% owned by Exxon, the largest multinational oil company in the world, effective control would remain outside Canada.

As Waddell said, the Liberal program "gives the illusion of Canadianization, but in reality we would have a consortium controlled by a foreign multinational."

Under the National Energy Program, the government will grant Canadian companies 80% of the costs of exploration in frontier areas. This combined with tax breaks means that taxpayers will put up 93¢ of every dollar spent on exploration by a Canadian company. In return for this the government will take a modest 25% interest in any new discoveries.

This compares to a 50% ownership which Norway's state-owned oil company inherits from any new production. Obviously the government continues to be generous to the oil companies.

Quite apart from the fact that the program does not give Canada effective control of oil and gas supplies, the program fails to develop alternatives. Everyone recognizes that "the cheapest barrel of oil is the barrel of oil saved."

### BEST VALUE

Money for conservation is our best energy value. But the government has not made the necessary financial commitment to either conservation or to developing alternative sources of energy.

Mark Rose, M.P. for Mission-Port Moody, pointed out that while \$1.2 billion is committed for research and development over the next three years, we will spend \$3.2 billion on imported oil alone during the next year. He pointed to the contrast between Canada and the United States:

"In 1978 the United States allowed a 40% federal tax credit for the purchase and installation of solar equipment. Combined with similar state taxes for the purchase and use of solar equipment, this sometimes amounted to a 65% tax credit. In contrast, the allowance of \$800 available under our conversion program is taxable."

In a similar vein, Jim Fulton, our environment critic, criticized the bill for its lack of environmental protection. This is especially important in light of Energy Minister Marc Lalonde's statement that he was lifting the ban on offshore exploration and drilling for the British Columbia coast.

Unfortunately the Liberals, with their majority, moved a motion of closure. In spite of many deficiencies in the program, Bill C-48 was passed, over the combined opposition of Conservatives and New Democrats.

The weather has been cold enough in Ottawa this winter that none of us want the oil or gas to be cut off. But we would like to see an energy policy which provided for Canadian control, environmental protection and some planning for alternatives. Now.

## School board asked to buy equipment with docked pay

The Gulf Islands School Board has received a letter from the Gulf Islands Teachers Association asking that money docked from teachers' salaries as a result of a half-day walkout last November be used for the purchase of school equipment.

The board rejected the proposal on the grounds that it was impossible to do so, but agreed to write a letter thanking the teachers' association for the suggestion.

The money in question will come off the 1980 budget and the board doesn't have the authority to simply tack it on to the proposed 1981 budget, according to Wilf

Peck, secretary-treasurer.

"You can't increase the 1981 budget by the amount you save in 1980," said Peck.

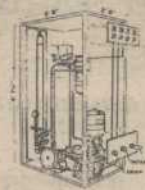
The surplus will go towards reducing tax revenues in order to meet the 1981 budget.

The school board decided at a meeting several weeks ago to dock the teachers in this school district a half-day's pay for their walkout last November to protest the provincial government's indexing of pensions. The walkout was part of a province-wide protest by teachers over the indexing issue.

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There were no critics. The visitors all agreed that in terms of taste and odour, the water was clean. Before going through the system it had been salt water loaded with discharges and other impurities.

Matthew Cote, director of Amex, gave a summary of its operation.

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The cartridge in the second filter is changeable every two months and costs a few cents. The main

membranous filter has to be changed every four years at a cost of several hundred dollars.

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The company is planning a demonstration for the Capital Regional District engineering staff next month.



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## SALT SPRING ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY ASSOCIATION Notice of Annual Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Salt Spring Island Public Library Association (Mary Hawkins Memorial Library) will be held in the Parish Hall, St. George's Church, Ganges, B.C. on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1981 at 3:15 pm for the following purposes:

1. To receive the report of the Chairman of the Library Board
2. To receive the report of the Secretary, Treasurer and others
3. To elect the requisite number of Board members for 1981 to fill vacancies on the Library Board
4. To transact such other business as may arise.

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## News from North Galiano

BY DEVINA BAINES

Vivien and Tony Brooke-Harte take over management of the Spanish Hills General Store at North Galiano on February 1.

They have been property owners and weekenders at Madrona Crest for the past 10 years.

Vivien has been in retail sales for at least 10 years and Tony has been managing shopping centres in western Canada.

They look forward with pleasure to meeting and greeting all visitors to their store.

They both extend their best wishes to Ray and Marge Bell who will be leaving soon to take up residence on Vancouver Island, probably at Mill Bay.

The Bells took over Spanish Hills Store 10 years ago for Salt Spring Lands, when Mrs. Devina Baines was forced to leave after suffering a stroke. They managed the store for two or three years then bought it outright from Salt Spring Lands.

They intend to have a good rest and then do some travelling, probably to eastern Canada.

Marge and Ray both wish to thank all their former customers for their support in the past.

Our congratulations to Louise and Harry Baines on the birth of their little daughter, Margaret Dorraine, born on her Daddy's birthday, January 10, 1981. She weighed in at 8 lbs. 11 1/4 oz, born in Nanaimo Regional Hospital.

Baby and both parents are doing well.

Mr. Bud Baines, Jeannie Silvey and Devina Baines spent a few days in Ladysmith visiting the family and new baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baines Jr. with Tara and Dorraine spent the weekend at North Galiano with parents, the Harry Baines Sr.

John Silvey spent a short visit with his sisters in Powell River recently.

A pot-luck supper will be held on Sunday afternoon in honour of the retiring storekeepers, Ray and Marge Bell.

We wish to extend a warm welcome to Vivien and Tony Brooke-Harte and wish them the best of everything in 1981.



Tony and Vivien Brooke-Harte

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Baines and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith spent a few days in Reno, Nevada, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Duncan came over to help Gary and Mel Biggar celebrate their first wedding anniversary.

## Green light for development

Islands Trust committee last week gave approval in principle to the Ganges bare lands strata project whereby 11 homes are to be built on the property adjacent to the Catholic church.

The Advisory Planning Commission had approved the project with a similar stipulation that the route of the proposed alternative highway into Ganges could affect the plan.

The spokesman for the plan, Wayne Allen of Duncan, spoke of the project and explained that it is planned as a good-quality housing project with special facilities for the elderly tenant.

He explained that the 11 dwellings, to be constructed with

minimal side-lot clearance, will sell for somewhere in the region of \$135,000. They will be gated and the lock will be electronically controlled. The plan also calls for a covered swimming pool and games room as well as individual garden lots for the tenants.

There is no prohibition against children, observed the spokesman, but the development will not cater to them.

The project conforms to the density requirements of the Ganges zone, but seeks to cluster the dwellings on some 13 acres.

The Trust committee ruled that a development permit will be required.



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## Tanning hazards examined

Capital Regional District is planning the enactment of a bylaw to regulate tanning studios. The board last week learned that the hazard of tanning is contained in the use of ultra-violet rays. It represents a hazard to skin and eyes, warned the community health services committee.

The provincial government has announced plans to exercise controls over tanning, but the board was invited to take measures to carry over until the province might act.

The health committee proposes that the hazard of radiation can be minimized where there is awareness of the danger and a careful supervision. Benefits would be enjoyed, provided the equipment used is adequate and appropriate safety measures are taken, reported health officer A.S. Arncil.

The health officer extended his concerns into the home.

"Ideally," he reported, "the use of ultra-violet radiation for cosmetic purposes should be discouraged."

He observed that across Canada 2,000 patients a year are treated for sunlamp burns, or indoor sunburn.



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## Classical guitarist at Galiano Friday

Classical guitarist Paul Bankes will present a concert at Galiano Island on Friday.

Described as "one of the most promising young guitarists in Canada today," Bankes is no newcomer to the Gulf Islands, having performed a number of times here in the past couple of years.

Friday's performance will include works by Fernando Sor, Bach, Scarlatti and Frank Martin. One of his pieces will be Bach's *Chaconne*, which has been praised by critics, composers and performers as one of the most exquisite pieces of music ever written.

The concert will be held at the community hall at 8.30 pm. Tickets, at \$3, will be available at the door; children under 12 will be admitted free.

Bankes appeared last Friday at Pender Lodge on Pender Island.



PAUL BANKES

## Victoria Trio: polished approach

BY JEAN KNIGHT

What a joy to hear chamber music as superbly played as the Victoria Trio's on Sunday. As one gentleman said, "No matter how good one's stereo is, live music is best."

St. George's Church was packed, and many chairs had to be brought up from the hall.

The concert was introduced by the pianist, Robin Wood, who is the director of the Victoria Music Conservatory. The violinist, Sydney Humphreys, (who incidentally is now the first violin of The Purcell Quartette), and James Munter, cello, made up the trio.

Their polished and professional approach to music was clearly admired by the whole audience.

The concert opened with Haydn's *Trio in C* and was performed brightly, crisply and with great discipline. This was followed by the beautiful *Trio in B Flat* by Schubert, a work so full of beautiful romantic melodies, shared by

all three instruments.

The last work, the *Dumpty Trio* by Dvorak, with its strong gypsy flavour, was played with great energy and gusto, sending us all home with a song in our hearts, and a smile on our lips, and that surely is what music is all about.

We were happy to see visitors from Prevost and Pender Islands,

and hope they will join us again.

Thank you Victoria Trio, and as many said, when can they come again?

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## THE UNNAMED PAGE

### A lot of fun to read

BY CAROLE EYLES

*Beyond the Paw Paw Trees* by Palmer Brown. Avon Books, 1973.

*Beyond the Paw Paw Trees* is a story about a little girl, Anna Lavinia, who goes to visit her Aunt Sophia Maria.

Anna Lavinia has a strange journey by train to the end of the tracks, down a cliff on hot air currents, and across a desert by camel. She finds a silver key, a talking parrot, and a thobby (you'll have to read the story to find out what that is), and when she finally reaches her Aunt Sophia Maria, she finds her long lost father.

Anna Lavinia's father went off one day chasing rainbows and never came home. Now, with Anna Lavinia's help they both return home to Mother with 14 pots of rainbow gold.

The parts of the story I liked the best were the visit to the mirage and the fat lady on the train. Anna Lavinia had to be brave and clever to make everything work out well in the end.

The book is a little bit like Pippi Longstocking and was a lot of fun to read. I think readers who meet Anna Lavinia in *Beyond the Paw Paw Trees* will make her a lifetime friend. The book is available in paperback for 95c.

### The Elf Story

BY SERENA STEVENS  
Family Grouping Class

Once upon a time an elf princess lived on a very small piece of land that floated off of a huge piece of land.

She was very shy and she was very scared too. Oh that piece of land. It was only her and her castle but she lived happily ever after.

### Space Story

BY JOHN HALL  
Age 10

You are in the year 2400 and you are a gunner in the Navy space ship called the *S.S. Meteor*. You are scouting sector 64-9 and you come across a pirate ship and they open fire on you so you destroy them with an anti-matter missile and report it to headquarters.

Now it is the year 2402 and an interplanetary war breaks out between Earth and Mars. You are sent out as a fighter pilot in the XY-B2 class plane and in the fifth squadron. One day while scouting you encounter the enemy. You shoot down two of their aircraft but then you get hit in the left jet and crash land on a nearby planet. Now you hope the enemy doesn't find you.

You sent out an SOS and headquarters says they will send a rescue team down at 2700 hours, so you wait and wait for what seems like a year and a half. Then you see a silver object coming down slowly until it is 10 metres away and you wonder if it is the enemy or the rescue team.

You don't know who is in the ship so you take cover behind a rock. You withdraw your laser gun and aim it at the door. The door opens, the enemy steps out; you wait until they're all out then you shoot all of them except for the pilot. And so you fight happily ever after.



BY DAVID JACQUEST

### My Slippers

BY JESSICA SWIFT

Once upon a time there was a little girl. Her name was Cindy Loo. Cindy Loo had a pair of ballet slippers and she took them wherever she went. Until one day she left them somewhere but she had looked all over for them. She cried and cried. Her eyes were red. "My slippers, my slippers!!"

One day she went to an old man's house. Now this old man was about 98 years of age but this was the last place she could remember having her slippers so she asked this old man if he had seen them and the old man said he had not seen them. They looked and looked but they still could not find them.

Then at last Cindy Loo found them and she said, "My slippers, my slippers" and it just happened to be that that very night was the ballet competition and her whole family went and so did the old man. It was very close. She was tied with another girl but then the final results were made and the speaker went on and it said, "I am proud to announce that Miss Cindy Loo is the winner!!"

All of Cindy's friends came running to her when she got the gold medal! Then she went to the old man and said, "I'm so happy we could find my slippers. If I didn't have them I would have lost."

Then she said, "Ahhhhh, my slippers!"

### Mr. Monster

BY JESSE HENDERSON  
Family Grouping Class

Mr. Monster had a problem. He wanted some trousers. So he went to the busiest Woodward's Department Store he could find.

When he got out of his car everybody vanished!! Mr. Monster just hated that, so he went home. Mrs. Monster was preparing tea for Count Dracula and sandwich. Because the best sandwich is a witch.

So they sat down and ate and ate and ate until they were full. Um, um, um, um, um, .... said Count Dracula. This is the best meal I've ever had.

Wierwolf just loved going, "arrh! arrh! arrh!" because it was Hallowe'en. It was a full moon and when it's a full moon everybody is afraid.

## Bastion Theatre visits Pender

BY MICHELLE MACDONALD  
Grade 6, Pender School

On Friday the 16th, four people from the Bastion Theatre came to Pender Island and acted out an Eskimo legend called *The Ice Wolf*. Some students from Saturna came and watched.

The legend was about a child who is born into an Eskimo village but she is different. She has light hair and skin. The people of the village tell her parents that she is a devil and she will upset the Seal-god and then they will have no food.

The parents refuse to kill the child. The villagers keep teasing her. When she is grown up, her parents went to find food for the village. When they don't return the villagers blame it on her. She runs away into the forest and asks the Wood-god to change her into a wolf. He does and tells her not to ever leave the forest.

She does and the Eskimo hunters come to hunt her. They kill her, she changes back into a human. From then on her spirit guards the Eskimo villages for ever and ever. This legend has been told for over 2,000 years. I enjoyed it very much.

### The little girl from nowhere

BY MALINDI CURTIS  
Family Grouping Class

Once there lived a little girl. Everybody wondered where she came from. She would say, "I just came from an egg in the sky." But she really came from a unicorn's horn. Under her shirt a white mane ran down her back.

One day her friend came over to spend the night. When she was getting dressed she saw the mane and ran away.

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# AUTOPLAN '81



## CHANGES FOR 1981

### WHAT'S F.A.I.R. IN 1981?

1980 saw the implementation of Phase I of the Fundamental Auto Insurance Rating program. The whole idea behind F.A.I.R. is ultimately to remove any form of discrimination in automobile insurance rates for reasons of age, sex, marital status or where a person lives in the province. It seeks to link Autoplan rates solely to an individual's driving record, habits and attitudes. And that's fair.

Phase II of the five-year F.A.I.R. program will take effect on January 1, 1981. Here are the highlights:

#### 1. REMOVAL OF AGE AS A RATING FACTOR

This step completes the removal of age, sex and marital status as factors in determining how much you pay for your Autoplan insurance. From now on, no individual or group will be penalized or favoured solely on the basis of age.

#### 2. INTRODUCTION OF A DRIVER ACCIDENT PREMIUM

In order to place financial responsibility squarely where it belongs—on the individual behind the wheel—a Driver Accident Premium will be introduced on January 1, 1981. It will apply to drivers of vehicles rated for pleasure or drive-to-work use. *It means that drivers of such vehicles who are responsible for an accident which results in property damage or bodily injury to others will pay an additional premium of \$390 for each accident.*

This premium may be paid in one lump sum or in three equal instalments—the first payable at the time liability is determined, and the second and third on the next two anniversaries of the accident.

If the total claim is \$100 or less, this Driver Accident Premium will not be charged. If the liability is divided, each driver whose share of the claim is more than \$100 will be charged the full Driver Accident Premium. If the claim is less than \$390, the driver who is at fault may choose to make a single payment equal to the amount of the claim, rather than pay the Driver Accident Premium.

This premium is charged to the driver of the vehicle, whether or not he or she is the owner. Failure to pay a Driver Accident Premium after notice from the Corporation will result in denial of Own Damage coverage for a subsequent claim for a vehicle owned by that driver.

There are two exceptions to this new Driver Accident Premium:

(a) It does not apply to drivers of vehicles rated for commercial or business use. Since the cost of insurance is a business expense, it's unfair that an employee-driver should pay the Driver Accident Premium when responsible for an accident while driving an employer's vehicle.

However, accidents will still mean higher insurance costs for owners of such vehicles because

business and commercial vehicles will continue to be rated under the existing Safe Driving Vehicle Discount system in 1981.

(b) The Driver Accident Premium will also not apply to drivers of motorcycles or trailers. This is because the cost of the accident premium could exceed the total cost of Autoplan insurance for these low-premium vehicles. However, motorcycles and trailers will still be rated according to the Safe Driving Vehicle Discount system in 1981.

#### 3. CONTINUATION OF THE SAFE DRIVING VEHICLE DISCOUNT

The Safe Driving Vehicle Discount system will continue to be applied throughout 1981.

For instance, if your vehicle was involved in an accident at any time in the three years prior to December 31, 1980, you will lose, or already have lost, part of your Safe Driving Vehicle Discount.

Despite any changes in the F.A.I.R. program, you will still have to 'earn back' the full 3-year discount with the required one, two or three years of accident-free driving.

An accident occurring after December 31, 1980, on which a Third Party claim is paid, will result in assessment of a Driver Accident Premium.

#### 4. REVISIONS TO THE PENALTY POINTS PREMIUM PROGRAM

In addition to the new Driver Accident Premium for people who cause accidents, 1981 will see a revision of the Penalty Points Premium program as a deterrent to irresponsible drivers who acquire penalty points for traffic violations.

The minimum number of points a driver can acquire without financial penalty is now 4 instead of 5. The maximum number is now 25 instead of 20.

The dollar amount of the additional Penalty Points Premium is calculated by squaring the number of points, equating that figure to dollars and adding 30%.

#### 5. ADJUSTMENT OF TERRITORIAL RATES

Further changes will be made in the F.A.I.R. program towards eliminating differences in territorial rates. In 1981, these differences will be adjusted to a maximum spread of 20% between territories.

### WHAT'S NEW IN 1981?

Several insurance options will be available to you in 1981 when you renew your Autoplan insurance. Please take time to check them out before you renew.

They are part of ICBC's continuing program to provide a broader range of coverage to meet your specific needs.

#### 1. UNDERINSURED MOTORIST PROTECTION

This option provides extended protection to the victims of accidents where the insurance carried by the driver at fault is not sufficient

to pay claims for bodily injury and death. It provides for the victim's own Third Party Liability coverage to be applied to bring the total payment to the higher amount of coverage.

*For example, in a situation where a driver at fault carries \$100,000 Third Party Liability coverage but the victim carries \$500,000, the higher amount can be applied to the claim.*

#### 2. INCOME REPLACEMENT

If you consider that the standard No-Fault benefits would be inadequate to cover your lost earnings in the event of an injury resulting from an accident, you may wish to consider this endorsement. It provides limited additional lost income protection and death benefits.

#### 3. LOSS OF VEHICLE USE

You can purchase this endorsement in conjunction with an Own Damage policy. It provides for reimbursement on a fixed scale to cover the expenses of a rental vehicle when you make a valid claim for Own Damage coverage.

You can choose reimbursement to start 24, 48 or 72 hours after the accident is reported to ICBC or the police. It will end with completion of repairs, replacement of your vehicle, or the date on which ICBC tenders settlement for the loss of your vehicle.

#### 4. AUTOPLAN RATES FOR 1981

Unavoidably, Autoplan rates will increase in 1981. Why? Quite simply because the number of accidents is going up; the severity of personal injuries is increasing; the cost of settling claims—both collision and personal injury—is skyrocketing.

We can't control these factors. The costs we can control, like the administration of Autoplan, are among the lowest for any corporation in the auto insurance industry in North America: 16 cents of the premium dollar versus an industry average of 30 cents.

Inflation plays a large part in the rising cost of settling insurance claims, but so does the increasing complexity and sophistication of today's automobiles. Dual headlights, unitized bodies, lightweight materials, catalytic converters...these are just some of the advances in safety, environmental protection, fuel economy and styling that make every accident that much more costly. Settlements for injuries are also increasing each year.

So, here are the rate increases scheduled for 1981:

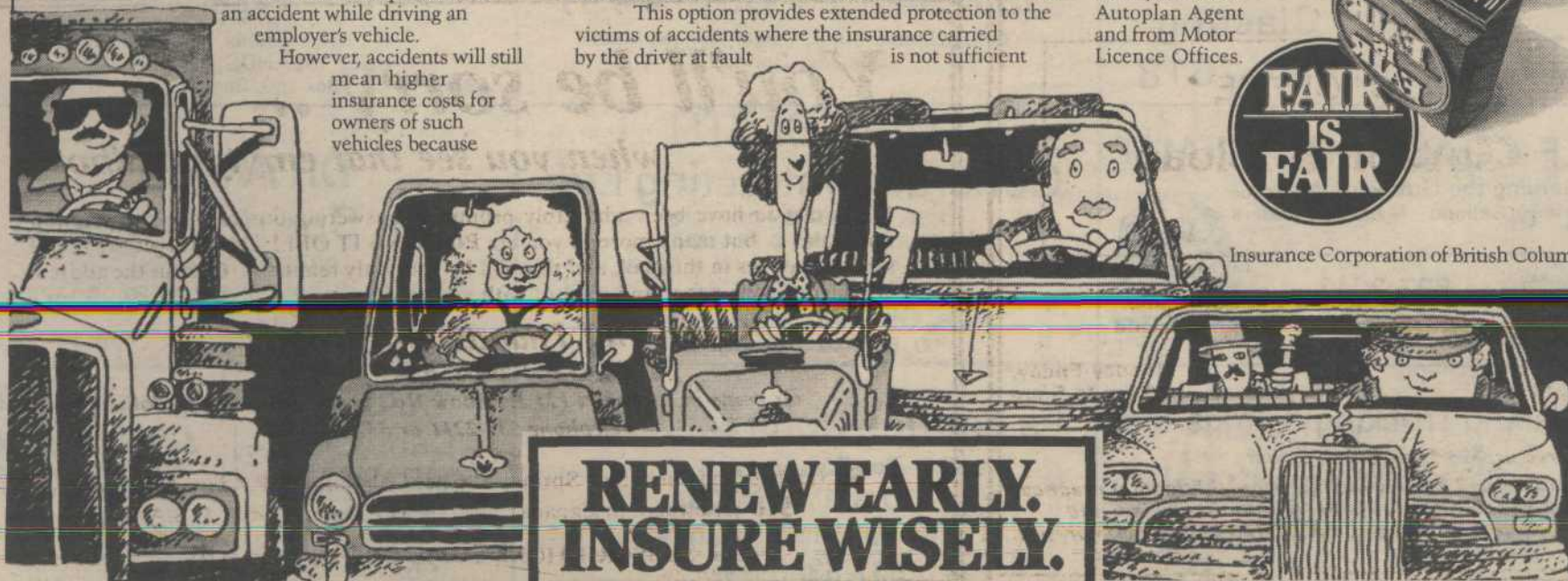
An average increase of 31% for compulsory Third Party Liability coverage.

An average increase of 48% for extended Third Party Liability and Collision coverages.

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## GALIANO NEWS

## Church holds annual meeting

BY BASIL AND  
KATHLYN BENDER

The congregation of St. Margaret of Scotland Anglican Church assembled on Saturday afternoon for their annual meeting.

The Reverend John Dyer re-appointed Jean Lockwood as rector's warden and Roy Harding as his sidesman. The secretary, Mary Harding, treasurer Charles Morhead and people's warden Ross Parminster were elected by acclamation. The parish council is reduced this year to eight members who are Hugh MacLure, Donald New, Joan Callaghan, Ivy Morhead, Connie Parminster, Jean Tully, Jessie Bellhouse and Betty Trimmer.

Roy Harding is chairman of the cemetery committee with Frances Druce as its secretary and Joan Callaghan as member at large. It was decided to have a minimum of four parish council meetings a year.

## RAISED OVER \$2,000

The Altar Guild, which last year raised over \$2,000 and contributed over \$1,700 towards church and rectory expenses, is also due to have a meeting in the near future to consider re-organization and to examine its responsibilities.

An unusual item on the agenda was consideration of a set of rules and regulations to govern the operation of the cemetery in compliance with the Provincial Cemeteries Act. The proposed draft was accepted. Two members, representing the community of Galiano, will be appointed to the cemetery committee at the next parish council meeting which is due to be held in the near future.

The Rev. Dyer thanked all who had contributed to the life of the church and Sunday School during the past year. Parents are invited to enroll their children in the Sunday School which they may do by contacting Joan Callaghan. Ways of reaching out to the community are to be examined by the congregation.

## Fosforus Fantastics

The puppeteer-folksinger duo of Ernadene Watwyk and Ted Woodall entertained the children and their parents last Tuesday afternoon, January 20, in the Community Hall. It was a return visit for Ted who came here five years ago with the Rainforest Group. Ernadene was making her first visit to Galiano.

The program was skilfully blended with a variety of items designed to appeal to different ages. Noteworthy was a spine-tingling *Star Wars* number combining darkness, a flashing strobe light and weird sounds from the accompanying electric guitar.

Ernadene designed and manipulated all types of puppets, hand, mouth and stick, and gave them distinctive characters by cleverly changing her voice in speech and song. Ted played and sang and was a most effective link between the puppets and the audience.

The response of the children and their participation in the program is the test of a show of this nature. On both counts the Fantastics can be rated a great success.

## Garden Club

At the inaugural meeting of the Galiano Garden Club on January 21, 10 enthusiastic gardeners chose Aini Haksi to be their president, Tom Liddell secretary-treasurer and Alistair Ross as show-bench convener. For each meeting members will bring a plant (healthy or ailing) which they wish to show or learn about, and for which they will be awarded points. At the end of the year the member with the most points will win a prize. Membership fee will be \$5 a year.

When the weather improves, tours of gardens will be arranged. Trades and bargain sales of plants will take place. Meetings will be held at the North End Community Hall on the second Wednesday of each month.

The next meeting is to be at 1 pm on February 11, when the members hope to learn more about pruning. South-enders will be most welcome. For further information phone Alistair Ross.

## Island Trails

The questionnaire and series of meetings regarding Bluff Park should stimulate island residents to explore the park area in order to arrive at opinions based on first-hand knowledge. To aid in this exploration we describe a walking trail through the park about two kilometres in length. For the more energetic this can be extended to a circular tour of 10 kilometres beginning and ending at Sturdies Bay.

Starting from Sturdies Bay follow the main road of Galiano going in a northwesterly direction for one kilometre. At this point a fine view of Whaler Bay can be seen to the right. Turning off to the left is Burrill Road with a sign to the Thrift Shop and another indicating "Accommodation 3 km." Take this road, shortly passing the church of St. Margaret of Scotland, and continue for 2.5 km until Active Pass comes in full

view. Follow the road as it takes a 90° turn to the right and becomes the unpaved Bluff Road.

## MARKED BY 10-FOOT ROCKS

Passing Penny's Cottages the gravelled road rises gently between field and forest for two kilometres to the park entrance which is marked by a pair of 10-foot sandstone rocks just past the Warbler Road turn-off. Carefully pace off 35 metres from the left-hand rock. Look for a concealed opening on the left. Stride across the roadside ditch and enter the forest. A trail can be discerned winding upward across the mossy rain-forest floor.

In less than 200 metres the path comes out into the open on to the short-grass lawn of the Bluffs plateau. If your dog is with you he will enjoy a drink from a small bowl-shaped pool just to the right. At the top of the slope you will find yourself looking down on to Active Pass and at the brink of one of the many cliffs of conglomerate rock.

After admiring the view, turn right and proceed along the edge of the cliff rising slowly to the vehicle turn-around and memorial plaque. Continue, passing through the stile in the old fir-log barrier, until you reach the old log picnic shelter. To your left you can look down onto Georgeson Bay and the southern entrance to Active Pass. From here you would have had an excellent view of Alberni on the rocks or Victoria waltzing with the Russian. Until March, the barking of sealions is frequently audible.

## ADORNED WITH FLOWERS

In spring the pebbly conglomerate ledges are adorned with wildflowers; stonecrop, blue-eyed Mary, spring gold and dwarf lupin. At the highest point of the path it turns right and begins to descend past garry oaks, skirting the bluff that drops precipitously to Georgeson Bay.

After 250 metres the path rejoins Bluff Road. Turn left and follow the road down to the matching pair of monoliths which mark the southern boundary of Bluff Park. You have now completed the traverse of Section 2 of the park.

To return to Sturdies Bay, continue down Bluff Road until it meets Georgeson Bay Road after one kilometre opposite the highways yard. Turn right and continue past the old maple in the middle of the highway and then along Valley Road which is joined on the left by the road from the Montague area.

Continue and after another kilometre you will pass between the fire hall and the Page Drive housing complex. A short distance farther on, just past the Corner Store, Porlier Pass Drive from the north end of the island joins from the left. From here it is only three kilometres on the paved highway back to Sturdies Bay.

## Coming Events

This Saturday islanders should plan to attend the annual general meeting of the South Galiano Volunteer Fire Department at 2 pm in the Community Hall. Later, in the evening, a general information meeting on the Bluff Park issue will also be held in the South End Community Hall.

The Senior Citizens Group hold general meetings on the first Monday of each month at 2 pm in the Page Drive Lounge. This next Monday, Feb. 2, will be their annual general meeting.

On Saturday, Feb. 7 from 2 to 4 pm there will be a showing of Japanese art films in the Community Hall. Various Japanese crafts will be shown and everyone is welcome, admission free. The film show is sponsored by potter Richard Hawbolt who studied in Japan, and by Dorothy Livesay.

Want to improve your drawing? A life-drawing class is held each Thursday evening between 7 and 9 pm at Ken Hardy's, Morgan Road. Bring your own pencils and paper. Further information may be obtained by phoning 5778.

## Exhibition draws former residents of Coon Bay

Several Galiano well-wishers journeyed to Victoria on Sunday to attend the opening at the Backroom Gallery of the well-known Galiano painter Dorothy Lupton's exhibition *Coon Bay, A Reminiscence*, which consisted of 41 oils and pastels.

Also present at the opening were many former residents of Coon Bay: Douglas Honeyman and Doug Matson from Ladysmith, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Buckner of Chemainus and "Broadway" Brown, who became known as the mayor of Coon Bay. In the early days before cabins were built these people would row over from Vancouver Island through "The Gap" and camp in tents.

Galiano-ites have become familiar with Dorothy Lupton's work over the last decade. Her latest exhibition continues at the Backroom Gallery until February 7.

## Higher toll from accidents

During the decade of the Vietnamese war, 10,000 U.S. military personnel were killed. In that same period, 529,000 people lost their lives in car accidents in the U.S.



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# Money Talks!

*Gordon Gibson story recalls charge that shook a government*

BY FRANK RICHARDS  
*Bull of the Woods, The Gordon Gibson Story*, by Gordon Gibson with Carol Renison, Douglas and McIntyre. 310 pp.

"Money talks," said Gordon Gibson. Those two words were, perhaps, the most famous Liberal utterance in all of the history of the British Columbia legislature. They brought down a cabinet minister and they brought down industrialists and they very nearly brought down a government.

"Money talks," said Gordon Gibson, an uncommon coastal logger. And he sought to prove that bribery was part of the logging picture. That a logging company was likely to flourish by paying bribes to people in high places in order to be sure of getting a license to log and to make money.

When he finally found the evidence, the forestry minister, Robert Summers, was convicted of taking bribes. Others, outside government, were convicted of giving them. The system of allocating trees to needy companies was shown to be in urgent need of overhaul.

Gordon Gibson, rough, tough bull of the woods, had come out of the trees long enough to prove that there was corruption throughout the forests.

The name of Gordon Gibson will always be associated with the two "L's" of British Columbia's

history, logging and Liberals. **GIBSON RAFT**

The Gibson raft is so much a part of British Columbia logging that he would have been a character out of the provincial history had he taken no further part in the life of British Columbia.

This is the story of Gordon Gibson. It pulls no punches and shows him up no better than he is. Gibson is seen as the hard-living tough in the backwoods and as the aristocrat of provincial society. And the writer sees him fitting happily into both segments of his life.

The rise of Gordon Gibson is the lesser known part of his tale. The rise of the miner's son from the Yukon who has logged, fished and legislated his way to the top is the story. The Gibson raft is common knowledge. The Gibson touch in the provincial legislature was the talk of the town. The Gibson colony on Maui, the Hawaiian Islands, is a tribute to Gibson's acumen.

But these things are the visible side of the Gibson story.

The book delves into the less visible features. It delves into the life of a logger on the B.C. coast, far from the city, always on the verge of making a fortune or going broke and always at the mercy of the bigger fellow and the government. It sees Gibson as the small logger who could not be put down. No matter how great the

disaster, he always shot to the surface.

## OUT TO SEA

The story sees Gordon Gibson, the seaman. Gibson was the navigator to take a ship that shouldn't float into situations that shouldn't be. He defied every law including the law of gravity when he sailed his aging fleet up and down the coast.

It is difficult to assess whether the story makes Gibson a likeable character. It draws him as he is and was. It draws him as ruthless, sometimes vindictive, unfeeling and aggressive. It shows him fond of the woods, fond of the sea, fond of the booze, fond of women.

Gibson was a logger and he came out on top because he was aggressive and unyielding. And because he could always see the answer. He became an industrialist and he was successful in that venture because he was shrewd and his two and two always added up to five.

## SUCCESSFUL

He became an entrepreneur and built a resort in the Hawaiian island of Maui, the Maui-lu. It was as successful as everything else he undertook.

The significance of this book is two-fold. *The Bull of the Woods* is a summary of the life of the old-time logger in the British Columbia forests. It is detailed. The reader sees the woods and the life of the logger as Gibson saw it years ago.

But the book is also the story of a man who has left his mark on this province. The Gibson mark is not simply in the rafts and the plants and the structures and the ships. He showed us how. There is something of Gibson in the logging methods used today. There is something of Gibson in the planning of a mill. There is

something of Gibson in the legislation concerning logging in the province.

Like him or loathe him, Gibson is part of the fabric of this province. He helped build it without even knowing what he was at. And his story tells you how it was built.

## Pender NDP elects executive

Thirty people attended the Pender Island NDP meeting at the school-community centre on January 20 when Mr. and Mrs. John Mika from Saanich were guests.

A new executive was elected. President will be Gerry Pare; vice-president, Theo Millar; membership, Susan Millar; secretary-treasurer, Vi Hleck; and

co-ordinator, Joe Klein.

John Mika spent about an hour and a half answering questions on oil tankers, pollution and many other topics. He told the audience that the two booklets mailed recently with Premier Bill Bennett's speeches from Hansard, plus the many-coloured printed envelopes and postage, cost the taxpayers over \$400,000.

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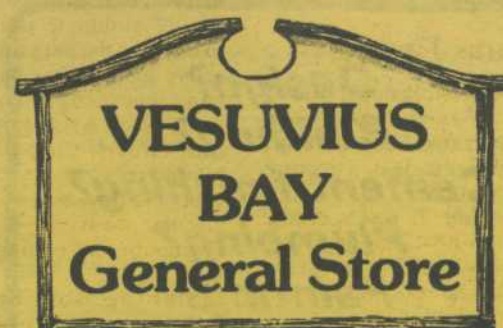
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## Advisory committee seeks involvement

Parents of students at Salt Spring Elementary School are being urged to join the school's advisory committee, the purpose of which is to promote the free exchange of ideas between principal, teachers and parents.

Spokesman Lynn Mathews points out that the committee provides a form of liaison between the school and the home, and acts in an advisory capacity to the principal on matters pertaining to the education program, busing, building and other related topics.

The committee meets on the first Monday of each month, and the meetings are open to all parents of

students attending Salt Spring Elementary.

Speakers at the next meeting, on February 2, will be teachers Ian Jukes and Wayne Taylor, whose topic will be the school's physical education program. Meeting begins at 7.30 pm in the school library.

The committee is presently seeking volunteers to provide supervisory assistance at lunch time. Parents who can spare one hour a week for the job are being sought.

Parents are also urged to complete the questionnaire circulated recently by the committee.

According to Mathews, the

advisory committee provides the opportunity to:

- Present suggestions in respect to the learning experience for which the school is responsible.

- Recommend changes that are perceived to be desirable in respect to school policy and/or procedures.

- Assist people wishing to make inquiries in order that they may obtain information about procedures affecting their children.

- Be informed of events that effect the educational program in the school.

## Improved financial picture for Pender Island church

BY ELEANOR HARRISON

The Women's Guild of St. Peter's Church at Pender Island served a delicious pot-luck dinner at 6 pm on January 24 at the school-community centre to members and friends of the church. Approximately 60 people were present. After dinner the annual meeting of the church was held.

Archdeacon David Powell gave a report and thanked those who had assisted him in the work of the church in 1980.

It was a successful year. J. Verner followed with the financial statements which showed a greatly improved financial picture over 1979. Douglas Harker, the vicar's warden, said he felt it was now time for him to resign, and that it would be a good thing to have some new blood in the position. A good year has just finished in which the financial position has been nearly

reversed but he warned members and friends must keep on working to maintain this situation.

Gordon Berry will take over as vicar's warden. There is much work to be done on the church building and grounds and he plans to use the expertise of the members and in working together, bring the members together. It is his hope to assist in bringing the word of God to every person, the most important part of his job.

Dick Tallman said he would once again be the church's auditor and Marjorie Clarke gave a splendid report of the Women's Guild, who have worked very hard and contributed greatly to helping reverse the financial picture in 1980.

### Every four minutes

In B.C., an automobile accident occurs every four minutes. Every 12 hours, a person is killed in one of those collisions.

## Salt Spring poppies raise over \$3,000 for 1980

The Poppy Campaign sponsored by the Salt Spring Island Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, last November, brought the biggest response in the Island's history according to T.H. Pat Harrison, chairman of the Poppy Committee.

According to the chairman, the business community subscribed \$1,111.15 through donations and wreath purchases and the general public contributed \$1,357.30 through street donations, \$532.93 from store and ferry display cans and \$78.27 from the schools for an overall total of \$3,079.65.

The campaign netted \$2,535.08 after deductions of \$541.57 for

wreaths, poppies, supplies and other expenses.

For the period October 1 to September 30, 1979, poppy funds totalling \$1,111.26 were disbursed to veterans and their dependents requiring assistance.

Harrison explained that poppy funds are held in a special trust account for the exclusive use of needy veterans and their dependents.

He also paid tribute to the "excellent response to the campaign by the citizens and business people of Salt Spring Island."

## Three zones set up for resorts

There are to be three different commercial zones on the Salt Spring Island zoning map allocated to resorts and hotels.

At present all such operations are zoned Commercial 4. The Salt Spring Island Trust Committee is initiating changes in the zoning bylaw whereby a resort on a lake used as the source of domestic water will require C4-L zoning. The present designation of C4 will be used in other locations.

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