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THURSDAY, JUNE 30, 1960

Construction Started on RCAF Marina



W/C H. E. Bridges, acting CO, sets off the first dynamite charge to start work officially on the new marina as F/L D. H. MacRae, chairman of the PMQ council looks on.

Project Expected Fully Completed Within 2 Years

A series of sudden explosions in the past few weeks revealed for the first time to many people that a surprising amount of activity was going on at the far side of the runways near the DND beach. The explosions in fact were the outward signs of a very ambitious project being undertaken by volunteer groups from RCAF Station Comox.

It has always been recognized that Station Comox had an excellent boating and swimming beach right in its own back yard, but it has also been evident that it was rather inaccessible, since reaching it involved a long walk from either Kye Bay or Kin Beach.

In order to alleviate this problem, the PMQ council, the Aquatic Club, the Boat Club, and Station Fund have banded together, produced quantities of voluntary labour and set themselves a Herculean task of construction. A few sticks of dynamite set by a local powder

monkey and fired by W/C Bridges blasted an access vent in the cliff, so that a boat may be driven or hauled down to the beach, and a great rock-piling drive has started a causeway which will stretch 70 feet out into the water. When the entire project is finished (it will take an estimated two years) there will be parking space at the top of the cliff, storage space for boats at the bottom, a long carriage way out over the causeway for boats, and floating dock at the far end, a boat house, two

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Comox Proposed As TCA Alternate

On June 21, officials of the Trans-Canada Airlines visited Comox for discussions with Operations and Flying Control personnel with a view to making use of Comox facilities as an alternate aerodrome for their recently inaugurated DC8 flights from Eastern Canada.

In the past the airport at Abbotsford has sufficed in the event of poor weather at Vancouver. The new Jetliners however, require more runway length than is presently available at Abbotsford. Comox offers the only suitable West Coast Canadian facilities.

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Para Practice For Air Show

Many people were surprised on Tuesday, June 21, when they saw two parachutists float to the ground in front of the hangar line. Spectators were anxiously scanning the skies for incipient crashes when a Dakota flew over again at 1200 feet and disgorged two other jumpers who floated serenely down to land by their mates on the ground. Investigation revealed that the four hardy chaps were RCAF Search and Rescue corporals from Sea Island who were practising for the parachute performances they will make on Air Force Day.

These men, Cpls. Boggs, Copeland, Frank and Nureault, part of the Air Force's large rescue organization, are expected to perform a specific number of jumps per year as part of their normal duties.

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Water Safety Drive Launched on Station

"Every day is water safety day" is the motto of the Water Safety campaign which got under way recently. There will be movies shown on the subject, and many posters displayed to remind people of the importance of this campaign.

Following this theme, swimming classes for the children will start on Tuesday, July 5th at the CRA and Red Cross in an effort to teach the children to become water safety conscious.



Golden Hawks Perform for Air Force Day

Plans for Air Force Day at Station Comox indicate a packed and diversified schedule. The highlights will be the famous Golden Hawks, a solo aerobatic display by the "Red Knight", and a simulated rescue operation by helicopter.

Inside the hangars will be many static displays, ranging from various station hobbies to aircraft open for inspection. Outside, the visitors will witness take-offs and landings of Canada's leading aircraft including Neptunes, Argis, Canbros and CF-100's.

The fly pasts and aero-

batics of the aircraft will be enhanced by a thrilling para rescue jump which will take place in front of the spectators. Continuous movies and music supplied by the Station and Air Cadet bands will add to the enjoyment.

Everyone is invited to make

full use of this opportunity to see all aspects of the Air Force. Canadians have every right to be proud of the flying and technical skills of their airmen and the complex equipment which they operate. These skills and equipment will be on exhibition on Air Force Day in the hope that all who come will realize the scope and training required to keep our aircraft airborne.



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Editorials

Many Changes

You will have probably noticed some new features and additions in this and the past few editions. We are continually trying new things which we feel will improve the paper and be of more interest to the readers. Mind you, this is sometimes difficult since we can never be sure what the readers want or enjoy since, to date, we have received only one letter.

With people leaving on postings and transfers, we have also had to make several changes in our staff. One whom we will all miss is our editorial director, F/L G. B. Wood. Our ex-Mayor of PMQ's was also an avid and intrepid newspaper type who worked hard and gave much of his free time to this particular secondary duty. Woody was one of the originals associated with and involved in the actual "birth" of the paper. We would like to thank him for all his valuable contributions and assistance given so ably and enthusiastically.

We would also like to thank F/O and Mrs. R. W. Hawkins for their valuable assistance. Ron has helped immeasurably with re-write, layout, proof reading and many other facets of the paper, particularly the advertising end. His wife, Evelyn, was the author of the "Mother Talk" column, wrote many of the women's articles and took an avid interest as well as an active part in many other features of the paper.

To these people we say good-bye and thank you again.

With a limited staff it is difficult to cover every event on the station. If anything interesting or newsworthy happens in your section, or at your Ladies Guild, or even if you have a complaint, please pass this information along to us either by phone or letter (plain facts will suffice). This assistance will be truly appreciated.

THE EDITOR.

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LETTERS EDITOR

The Editor,
Totem Times.

Dear Sir—I would like to make use of your newspaper to voice a strong protest against an all too common Air Force practice. It is an unfortunate outgrowth of our NATO Commitment. Briefly it is the "dropping" of European place names and/or pseudo-European accents by certain affected individuals.

For instance; the other night I played a record of Die Fledermaus. One of the company present put down his drink, lit a cigarette with a flourish and said, "Ah yes, Die Fledermaus—The Bat. I missed it when it was in Vienna." Mr. Editor, I too missed it when it was in Vienna and so did 99.9% of the world's people.

"If you are ever in Luxembourg, the city I mean, (ha ha) I suggest you take in Charlie's." Charlie's what? Did he mean Charlie's laundry? What else does one "take in"? Or how about this gem: "When you are in Paris (pronounced Patee, you know) you can always purchase 'le Coca Cola' at a quaint (always these places are quaint) bistro called 'Le Crazy Horse Saloon'." Really, Mr. Editor, how much must one take?

For a number of years Comox personnel have been subjected to stories of Tijuana and now Hawaii. These stories are barely palatable but this European bit is too much.

Apparently "place dropping" is a game anyone can play. The only rule is "an assurance that none of your audience has ever been there." For instance: "Have any of you people visited Bangkok?" If anyone has, quickly change to Blauwildebeestfontaine.

This whole thing has unnerved my family and I so much that we are forced to take the waters at Baden (German yknow) for the next four years. . . . Up-coming next month our story — "Barefoot Through Europe with Adolph and Eva".

—Unnerved—

CATHOLIC CHAPEL

F/L R. G. MacNEIL

MASSES

Sunday—0900 and 1100 hrs.

Monday—1200 hrs.

Tuesday, Friday—1640 hrs.

Saturday—0830 hrs.

CATECHISM SCHOOL

The annual Catholic Catechism Summer School will be held from August 1 - 12 in the PMQ school. Classes will be in the morning only, from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m., with Mass at 11:35. There will be no classes on Saturday or Sunday.

PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL

Junior High grades will study the Sacraments and the Mass and will view their prayers. Teacher will be F/C Lou Villeneuve. Grades one to six will be taught by two Sisters of the Congregation of St. Joseph, Vancouver. The kindergarten children will be under the care of Mrs. Guy Topping, while next year's kindergarten children will be looked after by Elizabeth Topping and Beverly Comar. The two kindergarten classes will be from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. only.

If there are any questions concerning the arrangements for the summer school, please contact Fr. MacNeil before July 1 as he is responsible for finalizing plans before his departure.

IMPORTANCE

The importance of knowing our religion well cannot be overemphasized. Parents are asked to make sure that their children do not miss any classes, as one lesson is built upon another. These classes continue the good work done throughout the school term. However, newcomers who did not follow classes throughout the term

are urged to come to summer school anyway. This is an excellent opportunity to improve in the knowledge of your Catechism, prayers and Catholic practice.

Families planning vacations should give consideration to the Catechism Summer School and if at all possible have the children at home during this period.

PICNIC

The Summer School picnic will be held at Kin Beach on Sunday, August 7, from 2-5:30 p.m. There will be races, games, prizes and possibly kiddie rides. Refreshments will be provided throughout the afternoon, but families remaining for the evening should provide their own basket lunch. The Catholic people of Courtenay, Cumberland and Comox are invited to attend and the K. of C. men are participating in the arrangements. The general organizer is F/L M. Belec.

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Two long-term associates on this unit prepare to part in the above photograph taken at the hangar party held in the Social Centre last Friday. F/L J. L. Rae, on the left, leaves early in July for his new appointment at Station St. Hubert, and WO2 W. P. Allsopp is preparing to shake loose the dust of Comox from his feet and head for North Bay. Both men have served full terms on this unit. F/L Rae four years and WO2 Allsopp four and a half, but both declare they are not at all happy to leave.

Photo by Maxwell

WATER SAFETY

According to a recent survey only 9.2 per cent of the operators involved in fatal boating accidents were under 20 years old. The average age of the operators involved was more than 35 years.

Fishermen were involved in proportionately more fatal accidents than people engaged in other forms of boating activity. Since fishing does not require high-speed operation the speed factor must be discounted as a major contribution to fatal accidents.

This study refutes the contrary position that further restrictive boating legislation is the best approach to continued reduction of accidents since most fatal accidents are caused by failure to follow standard safety procedures in boat handling.

—From "Wildlife Review"



SCOUT CORNER

By BRIAN SIMMONS

At the close of the meeting on June 13th Scouter Stephens was presented with a paperweight, a replica of the Gilwell emblem, as a memento of thanks from the troop. He spoke a few words of thanks and remarked that he was very pleased to see a great progress in all aspects of Scouting within the troop, and also wished each boy all the best and good Scouting.

During the past two months Patrol Camps were held by the Antelope, Cougar and Seagull patrols at Seal Bay and Kin Beach. Recently Don Smythe passed his First Class Journey to become the sixth member of the troop to pass this test. The Court of Honor has de-

cided to continue the regular meetings until the time of summer camp, which is to be held July 15th to 23rd. The troop leaders, and particularly the patrol leaders, wish to thank all those people who drove Scouts to and from the Denman Island Camporee.

Bob Thompson and Fred Chester were invested at a recent meeting and thus became members of the Boy Scout Movement. Badges presented were: Paul Stitt, Artist, and David Hunter, Cub Instructor.

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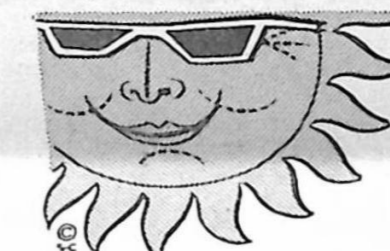


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Mother Talk

by "MOMMY"

Perhaps we should have headed this "Father Talk" since that is what we have decided to talk about this week. Fathers seem to vary as much in personality and attitudes as do children — and sometimes even more so to the consternation of their families. Many of them seem to wonder just

where they do fit in to the family picture in this age of glorified "momism" other than being co-producers of and, in most cases, sole providers for the children. During the early years a brand-new father usually undergoes the soul-shattering experience of being rejected at various times by his young offspring in favour of mother. This is quite understandable and normal and fathers should not — though many are — be surprised or deflated by these temporary "rejections".

Once the hazards of these earliest years are over, the father-child relationship usually settles down very well. It is less variable and less vulnerable to the passing whims of the child's own age changes than is the relationship with the mother.

The pre-schooler tends to worship Father as he does Mother. From six to ten, he tries

himself out against Father in little ways, though he still thinks Father is pretty wonderful. From eleven to sixteen he tries himself out in bigger ways and sometimes doesn't think that Father is as wonderful as he used to be. But the little year-to-year variations do not seem to affect the child's behaviour toward his father as much as they do his behaviour toward his mother. The mother-child relationship seems to be more sensitive, delicate, intense, but more easily upset than the relationship with father. Three-and-a-half whines most with Mother. Four boasts and defies Mother more. Five clings hardest to Mother. Six battles against her authority more vigorously. While Mother attracts the child's best behaviour she certainly does attract his worst. His feelings about Father are not as intense, not as mixed up, not as variable. Father tends to represent stability and firmness. He is the one to whom Mother reports extra-bad behaviour. He is the court of last appeal. He gives out important rewards as well as important punishments. He is the prize companion on those welcome occasions when he can spend time alone with son or daughter.

Thus fathers should not expect to attract from their children the same kinds of responses which mothers attract. Father's role in bring up the children is perhaps, as in their production, an essential but a supplementary one. Above all, it should be Father's role, as disciplinarian, to back up Mother's policies. If he disagrees with her methods he should always express that disagreement in private—not where the children can hear or observe. Even a very young child can learn to play one parent against the other if he senses disagreement—and then discipline really flies out the window.

Of course each family differs in its own way—in some parents agree completely; in others it is Mother who is firm and Father who is soft-hearted. But the most common situation seems to be that in which Mother pleads for tolerance — "He's just a baby." It's just a stage he's going through." Father is the firm one: "You and your stages! He's just got to learn to mind. It's time that he found out that he can't get away with that sort of thing!"

Now Father may be quite right, especially if he is sure that he knows that children of his child's age and temperament quite normally are able to do the good thing (or refrain from doing the bad thing) in question. Most often, however, he simply means that he's tired of waiting for the

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Nighthawk News

by "ANDY"

The "Fighting 409th" are back in training once again. As of two weeks ago, the Nighthawk crews are out to prove that they are the fittest All Weather Fighter unit in Canada. 5 BX has returned and if anyone happens to be in the Recreation Centre at eight in the morning, they will be treated to the spectacle of magnificently trained athletes performing prodigious feats of strength and endurance.

Preparations are moving forward for the annual Air Force Day at Comox. The Nighthawks will again participate this year with a formation flypast along with the usual static display.

So far this season the 409 Nighthawks Softball team has enjoyed fair success, having won 6 games and losing only 2. F/O Norm MacDonald is the coach this season and much of the success is due to his pitching and hitting as well as coaching. We look for better things ahead as the team gets better organized.

CONTRAILS:

W/C Bridges is still acting CO during the absence of G/C Miller; F/O Luke Nakashima just back from basking in the sun at San Francisco in training for a match with Vic (Man Tan) Wheeler; F/O Dennis Dahl has returned from Calgary after his wedding and has set up housekeeping in the local area; An "also hitched", F/O Terry Neil, is reported still hiding a bit of honeymooning; F/O's Rex Sutcliffe and Ray Ramsdale back from two weeks at WPU and still convinced that Comox has the best Groundcrew in ADC; F/O Hank Sands and Gerry Frewen off to Cold Lake to do their bit at WPU; F/O Norm MacDonald and Bob Hornal away to North Bay to once again brief the Eastern crews on the proper techniques of AI while on exchange there; and finally, a welcome back to civilization to F/O Vic "Sun Worshipper" Wheeler, (brown isn't he!) and F/O Bob Thatcher returning after a small fishing trip in Alberta called "Summer Bush Survival".

A good day to all and especially Ingamar Johansen who would benefit from 5 BX as it seems his "toonder" needs tending.

WEATHER NOTES by MET

THE JULY FORECAST

What does July hold for us in the weather department? In this department it is usually foolish to talk about a month's weather when you have been having trouble with tomorrow's weather. (Ed. note: How true). However, all weathermen develop long necks from sticking them out so often, so here goes.

When the forecast is for more than a couple of days we look to statistics for our answers. Past records show us that July is our driest and warmest month. Our high temperatures should average out to about 72 degrees and our overnight low temperatures should average out to about 53 degrees. In the rain department about one inch of rain should fall. What about the extremes of temperature and rainfall in the past? Temperatures have gone as high as 92 degrees (1958) and as low as 41 degrees (1952). Rainfall has varied from zero inches (1958) to 2 1/2 inches (1948).

Just to make this little story more interesting here is our forecast for July. Temperatures will average above normal with the highest temperature of the month being 84 degrees and

the lowest temperature being 45 degrees. Rainfall will total just under one inch. Measurable rain will fall on just 7 out of 31 days.

TELE - TALK

by ROBERT A. CLARKE

Once again Clinton has taken its toll of our Telecom Techs. Cpl. Wilder and Cpl. Mobley have left on a two week course to be followed shortly by LAC Mullaney. Cpl. Baggaley will be transferred in the next few weeks to Clinton to become a welcome addition to their instructing staff.

It is a particular pleasure to welcome LAC "Claude" Briere from Clinton off course No. 105 and to know that two of his former classmates LAC Neill and LAC Fraser will join him at the end of the month.

Speaking of transfers, LAC McClenaghan was transferred to Sea Island early in June. May this belated farewell somehow reach you Mac—wherever you are.

One of the units best pitching arms is heading for Europe, so the best of luck to LAC Rempel at 4 ATAF Germany.

Cpl. "Jerry" Smith, the one and only Telegraph Tech at this unit, is being transferred to France early in July. Jerry will be a loss to Wire Comm. as was his exboss Sgt. "Ed" Liss who has departed for Edgar. Sgt. "Bob" Wilson has taken over the reigns of Wire Comm since his arrival from overseas.

If you happen to be passing Shaughnessy Hospital and notice the nurses wearing running shoes then you will know that LAC "Steve" Holloway-chuk is still there. A fast recovery from us all Steve.

Well here is one Mountie who was not interested in getting his man. Congratulations to Barbara McNaughton of the Message Centre on her forthcoming marriage. More about Barbara in later issues.

Speaking of marriages, LAW Millie Drew is to be congratulated on her forthcoming marriage, and on the fine job of breaking in her replacement, LAC Bob Clarke in the Stats. Clerk position at the Comm Ground.

Rapcon was the scene of a tragedy the other day. LAC Jim Tilley was viciously attacked and mauled to the finger bones by a sadistic kitten. He was rushed to the MIR where the MO quickly got to the bottom of things.

If you come across some recent copies of "Hunting and Fishing in Canada" you will find some excellent articles from the pen of our WO2 Iles. This is the same talented editor of this paper's "Trail Treasures by Iles."

A good turnout and a lively sing-song were the highlights of the weiner roast last Friday. Investigation is still under way regarding the missing bottle opener. "Freddie the Cat" is No. 1 suspect to date.

AIRWOMEN'S NEWS

by "ENID"

For a while it looked as though we had slackened off with engagements but Helen Wonnemberg came blazing forth with a big diamond on her hand.

In spite of stiff competition the Corporals' Club won the baseball game against the Airwomen with a close score of 23 to 8. It is not hard to tell that the team must have been mainly composed of married-type Corporals.

Transferred here from Station Van is Pat Powderly - AFP. Leaving us for Goose Bay, sometime in October, is Bev Gilmour.

Getting a taste of city lights is Jessie Eason on leave at her home in Vancouver.

Starting next issue Ann Clough will be reporting for the Airwomen. We wish her the best of luck and a thick skull to ward off the blows when she goes.

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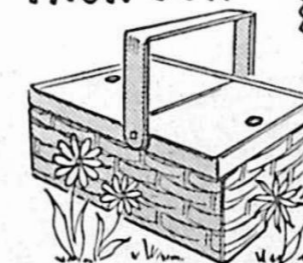
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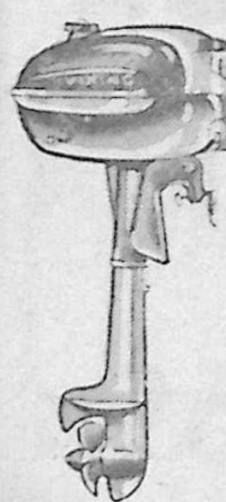
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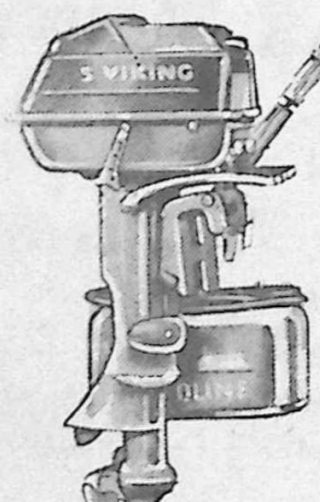
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BASEBALL CHATTER

The local boys have improved their play in the past two weeks and by winning 3 out of their last five games, they have virtually assured themselves of a play-off berth in the Upper Island Baseball League.

On Sunday, June 19, against C.R. Cougars, the locals finally came up with two games that were the best of the season. In the afternoon encounter, Red Dagley held the Cougars to 4 hits and 1 run, the final score being 5-1.

The evening game was even better and Stan Smith, after a full week's rest, pitched a 3-hitter, the final score being 3-1. The game was featured by the return to form of Dixie Walker and Tiger Munro, their play resulting in 5 double plays in the two games.

Wednesday, June 22, once again the Cougars were the victims. For eight innings they put up a stiff battle before some timely hitting upset their defences allowing 7 runs to be scored before the inning was over. The final score was RCAF 10, Cougars 3.

On Sunday, June 26, the final meeting with Courtenay Arbutus was a thriller. After taking an early 5-2 lead, Courtenay

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Recreation Ramblings

The inter-section softball league teams have almost completed their first round robin. On completion the teams will be divided into an "A" and "B" section with the better teams going to an "A" league and the others into a "B" league. Thus it is hoped to provide better games and a lighter schedule — No more teams playing three nights in a row.

The Station baseball team got hot last week and went on a two-game winning streak. They seemed all set to keep it rolling, only to lose a heart-breaker last Sunday to Courtenay. The team has the potential to sweep the league and if Coach Jim Rae can find the proper combination, the other teams in the league are in for some very tough opposition before the league and playoffs are over.

The Air Force golf team, we regret, did not do too well. They came home one stroke behind the Navy to end up in the third position. Some doubt exists as to who are the best golfers and the Navy has challenged the Air Force to another match. This is tentatively planned for early September.

The June golf tournament is going to have run over into early July, therefore the next tournament will not start till mid-July. In the first event of the tournament Fred Zaruk has reached the finals after disposing of Groundwater and Veracamen, and is waiting to meet the winner of a match between Sherratt and Herb Thompson. The winner of this will then meet Burgess, to declare the other finalist.

In the second event they have progressed to the semi-finals with Hermal and Tymchuck meeting to declare a winner to play off in the finals against the winner of a match between Dunn and Keating.

By the time you read this the first of the monthly PMQ councils' combined bingo and dance will be over. This should be quite an event and a big crowd is expected. We hear the Airman's Club is planning a

Medic Tops Tri-Service Golf

The eye of an eagle, the heart of a lion... These worthy qualities, plus a strong putter, gave F/L Glen Burgess the low gross award at the Tri-Service Golf Tournament played at Peace Portal, B.C. The narrow, hilly, and tree-lined fairways, coupled with high winds and soft ground led to relatively high scores. Nevertheless, Dr. Burgess' two round total of 158 was still good golf.

The Army team, captained by Lt. Eric Wright, was presented with the team championship trophy. Their outstanding performance was sparked by Lt. Wright who carded 160 to take the second low gross. Sgt. Kapstick of the Army, except for a bad hole in the first round, played good enough golf to win the low gross award. On the 8th he became submerged in a deep trap and needed ten strokes to finish the hole. Despite this misfortune, Kapstick came back strongly. He finished with a first round total of 85 and a second round 78 to assist his team in their triumph.

Leading Seaman Brigstrom played steady golf throughout to win the Walter McElroy Trophy with a total of 162. This trophy is for the other ranks low individual gross. S/L Bill Harvey in presenting the trophy on behalf of the Station Sea Island hosts, remarked that this was probably the most coveted trophy awarded at the annual Tri-Service meet.

Although the Army team won handily over both the Navy and the Air Force, the RCAF team efforts were badly hampered by the absence of two of its better golfers: Herb Thompson and Gord Scott. F/L McPherson shot 81-85 for 166; Cpl. Thompson 93-88 for 181; WO2 Zaruk 94-87 for 181 and F/O Stillar 99-95 for 194.

Who's Who In Station Baseball

After an absence of three years, RCAF Stn Comox this year entered a team in the district baseball league. Before applying for entry into the league, several meetings were held by interested players and the difficulties were thoroughly reviewed. One of the foremost problems with a service team was that of leave and TD reducing the team strength; a great deal of credit must be given to the boys who pledged not to take leave during the baseball season. The problem of TD still exists but fortunately enough reserves have been found to carry on.

Another difficulty at the beginning of the season was the lack of a home diamond. Courtenay's Lewis Park was occupied by minor leagues so the kind offer of Mr. Tom Barnes to make Union Bay our home diamond was decided upon. Although it made practicing difficult the people of Union Bay must be heartily thanked for their co-operation and assistance.

F/L Jim Rae and Cpl Chuck Hazelton started out as the original manager and coach respectively but as Chuck became a full time player LAC Dick Waite ably filled in as assistant manager. With the transfer this month of F/L Rae, Dick now finds himself as full-time manager, coach, etc., for the remainder of the schedule and playoffs.

The pitching staff is strong in ability and short in numbers. Stan Smith has carried the brunt of the work and has given a creditable account of himself. He possesses a record that will be hard to beat, that of allowing but one earned in 27 consecutive innings. Red Dagley started strongly and in his first two games accounted for 20 strikeouts. Unfortunately a month's sojourn in Shaughnessy has left its mark

Fastball Notes

Our scores may be high for fastball, but the fellows are enjoying themselves which is the idea of intersection sport. After a day's work, get out, relax and enjoy yourself by playing a game of ball.

A game on June 16, 409 vs. HQ's, Cpl. Ken Reeves from the firehall pitched a no hit, no run game for HQ's. He had 14 strikeouts and walked only three men.

Because of Air Force Day commitments there will be no ball games during the week of Jul 4-7.

There will be an All-Star team picked in the near future to play the station teams of Sea Island and Station Vancouver. The winners of this series will represent the Air Force in a Tri-Service Tournament to be held at Comox.

Intersection Fastball Standings

TEAM	P	W	L	%
Telecom 'A'	8	7	1	.875
407 Tel	8	7	1	.875
HQ's	7	6	1	.857
409 Nighthawks	8	6	2	.750
Arm Systems	7	4	3	.571
Flying Con	6	3	3	.500
407 AC	4	2	2	.500
I & E 'A'	7	2	5	.285
Cpl's Club	7	2	5	.285
407 Elect	8	1	7	.125
Telecom 'B'	8	1	7	.125
I & E 'B'	4	0	4	.000

and the lanky redhead is just regaining his form.

Ray Thelgesen is the number three chucker but has had arm troubles; the warmer weather should see the end of his aches and when he uncorks his fast one from 6'8" above the mound, the opposition is sure to cringe.

Chuck Hazelton has done most of the catching with the assistance of Ed Mullaney at the beginning of the season and most recently by a newcomer, Ernie Somerville.

The infield has been built around Bob Denault at first, Tiger Munro at second and Dixie Walker at short. These three, along with Don Wilder and Red Dagley, formed the nucleus of last year's Cumberland.

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FISH CHART



Here is a chart which may help the uninitiated identify their catch.

Coho, unlike spring salmon, seldom stray any great distance from their spawning streams. They can be found in varying abundance throughout the summer months in most sheltered bays and inlets along the coasts of Vancouver Island, the Queen Charlottes and the B.C. mainland. Because they are more abundant than the spring, they provide more fishing. Also unlike other salmon, they provide good fishing after entering the spawning-streams.

The blueback is an immature coho in its final year of sea growth. Later, in late September, it may go from 4 to 6 lbs. to 15 lbs. Coho generally spend one year in fresh water and two years in salt water.

August and September are usually the best months for coho fishing when they are feeding extensively and their movement toward the spawning streams has begun. June and July are also good months. In October, they can still be taken on the fly. After they have entered the spawning streams they may be taken until they begin to darken.

Coho spend their first year feeding on shrimp, but turn to herring and needlefish in their second year. It stands to reason, therefore, that herring and needlefish are the best baits for coho or blueback, however, many are caught on lures which bear a close resemblance to these darting fish. Personally, I still maintain that live herring is the best bait.

The herring dodger serves a dual purpose. It attracts the fish and also whips the lure or

bait in imitation of a crippled herring. Since some insist that salmon seldom feed on live herring, but that they rush through a school striking right and left with their tails to then return and sate their appetite on those they have crippled in their furious onslaught, the herring dodger must certainly increase the bait's appeal to a salmon.

Recently, surf fishing has become quite popular. On calm evenings at slack high tide, schools of herring surge in toward shore. The feeding springs and cohos dart savagely amongst them. A small spoon cast into these schools may hook several in an evening. With light spinning gear this can be a very exciting sport. Surf fishing is popular with the family man who doesn't care to leave his wife and children alone day in and day out while he is out enjoying his favourite sport.

DID YOU KNOW?

That Canada and the USA have signed a joint migratory birds convention treaty which co-ordinates open seasons on birds and guards against extinction of many game and non-game species? (from CNR booklet "Canada — Hunting, Fishing and Canoe Trips").

That the world record cut-throat trout (41 lbs.) was caught in Pyramid Lake, Nev. in 1925?

That the world record Kamloops trout (52 lbs. 8 oz.) was caught in Jewel Lake, B.C., in 1933?

That the pink or red shrimp is hatched as a male, produces its first and only lot of sperm the following autumn, and, at the end of its second winter changes its sex and becomes a female, spending more than one year as such?

That dogfish mate, that they produce living young, that the gestation period of the young dogfish has a duration of two years?

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Fall run yee spawn in the streams or lake beds, then go to sea, travelling hundreds to thousands of miles at sea to return to the exact spot where they were spawned to themselves spawn.

Thousands of coho return annually to the hatchery pond at the University of Washington's School of Fisheries at Seattle in the heart of a busy metropolis where two years earlier they were released as fingerlings. Through unbelievable difficulties, they even search out the building where the School of Fisheries maintains its little hatchery.

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Comox Free Divers

by CAL SMITH

I recently had a complaint from a member of our club about a reference I had made to deep diving. I used the following statement as an analogy, "like trying to set an underwater depth record,—it accomplishes nothing." Why he took exception to this remark, I do not know. Possibly he thought I was casting aspersions upon the fellows who set these records.

If so, let me state that I have great respect and admiration for these men. They are the test pilots of skin diving. With new concepts and equipment they sink into the depths, recording all events and sensations as they go. First however, they obtain some idea of what to expect by making "dry dives" in compression chambers. Careful planning precedes each descent and every foreseeable hazard is prepared for. A covey of safety men and attendants accompany the diver to ensure his safety.

Instead I refer in my statement to misguided people who, with compressed air apparatus, ignore established depth limits. Great men have died in order to bring adequate knowledge of diving physiology to the sport. To disregard their warning is to doubt their observations.

Deep diving is fine if there is a purpose! Most sport divers will never have occasion to exceed 200 and seldom 100 feet. If the diver wishes to test himself with deeper dives, it should be done under the guidance of other competent and experienced divers.

The depth to which a person may dive safely, is pretty well set at 200 feet. Beyond this point he begins to be subjected to the effects of nitrogen narcosis, carbon dioxide poisoning, and even from his oxygen which has become toxic. Dives up to 300 feet have been made, but many men have died in lesser depths.

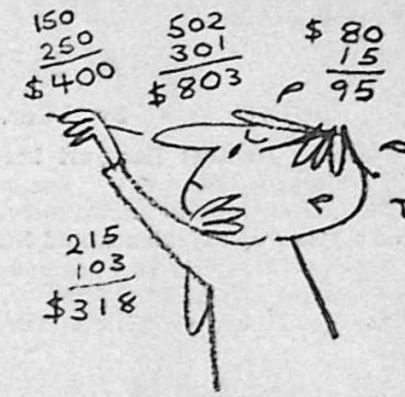
Even in the face of these hazards, a diver may still break a depth record by a few feet. As I said before, it proves nothing, except that under these conditions in the same state of mental attitude and physical health and on that one day, it was done. He very likely could never come near it again.

The title of a book sitting nature study. One which will be available shortly is "Salmon Struggle for Survival." Many of the scenes in this film were shot on the Puntledge River.

on my bookshelf, could very well sum up the defence of my statement—it reads. "DIVE DEEP, DIVE DEADLY."

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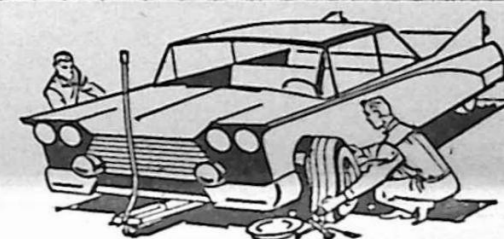
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By LCDr. Jack O'Donnell, U.S.N.R.

Controller Hartnet has just been relieved by Ralph Snead. Snead is a young man who entered air traffic control after the development of the electronic computer DINA. He has no experience as a "human" controller; he prefers to leave everything to the brain. He resents Hartnet's years of experience and his casualness with the pilots.

A Navy rocket pilot has ignored the computer's navigation calculations and is "lost" (i.e. he is not flying his approved route). SOP's call for the controller to eject the pilot rather than disrupt the orderly flow of the heavy and complex traffic pattern. Snead is about to do so.)

PART 2 (Conclusion)

The two men stared at each other in disbelief. It couldn't be true. Not in this day and age! Snead finally spoke. "Of all the stupid, idiotic things I ever heard, this is the worst!" His hand reached for the eject button. Hartnet grabbed the hand and pulled it away.

"What are you going to do?" Snead asked incredulously, "you know we can't get him down through the local traffic, and even if he turns his nose around again, he hasn't got enough fuel to stay airborne while Dina works out a descent from his present position. It's too late to do anything, I tell you!"

Hartnet's eyes shot from the monitor screen to the wall clock. The monitor tape showed five minutes of fuel remaining in Rocket 0785, altitude 72 thousand, descending. Suddenly his gaze stopped on the round paperweight. There was just a chance in a thousand his idea might work. 0785's voice came in again.

"Patina New York, I'm over that hole, but I don't see any lights. I guess I'm lost after all. Got any suggestions?" "Keep him talking," Hartnet ordered, "get radio and radar bearings, vector him toward Floyd Bennett Air Station, and start him down. He's clear of all traffic till he hits fifty thousand."

Hurrying to the back of the machine he hastily removed the metal cover and began to study the wiring diagrams and electric circuits of the complex computer. Beads of perspiration stood on his forehead as he traced the wiring to the automatic monitor and transmit control boxes.

"Baby," he breathed, "we've never asked you to do anything like this before. When I give the word—please don't fail me!" Then wiring the automatic monitor to transmit control, he murmured a short prayer and returned to the console where Snead was talking to 0785.

"What's his position now, Ralph?" "Passing through sixty thousand and vectoring 205 for Floyd Bennett," Snead's voice was close to panic, "he'll never make it!"

"Keep a radio bearing on him, I'm going to shift to low scale on the monitor screen

for a minute." The low scale showed one aircraft on final in the local area, and two commencing final approaches at five and seven thousand. It was now or never.

Carefully Hartnet placed the glass paperweight on a notepad and used it to trace a circle. Then he turned to the console where the printed approach plates were stacked like records in a juke box. He waited till the aircraft on final had touched down, then quickly seized the stack of approach plates, pulled them off the rack and dropped the notepad in the slot. Into the microphone he said, "All aircraft under Patina New York control—left hand orbit—four minute circle—present altitude—this is an emergency—repeat emergency!"

In the tiny room all hell broke loose. Dina let out a roar like a stricken lioness. Circuit breakers popped, fuses sizzled, warning bells clanged and red lights began blinking all over the console. Snead croaked a terrified "Oh my God!"

"Keep talking that plane down!" Hartnet shouted above the din. "This baby will be all right if you give her a minute to get over the shock."

In a matter of seconds the noise subsided. Dina settled down to a quiet, if somewhat labored grinding, and the red lights blinked out one by one. The monitor screen showed each aircraft in a precise orbit of one and a half degrees per second. The lead pencil circle on the notepad was acting as a precision pattern for all planes but one, Navy Rocket 0785. It was being controlled by radio alone.

"Switch to mid scale, Ralph, we have less than four minutes to get him down."

But Snead was beyond reacting. His eyes stared fixedly at the huge computer, his face the color of putty. Hartnet grabbed the mike and flicked the radar screen to mid scale. The solitary dot moving in the pattern of circling aircraft was

passing through fifty-six thousand.

"Navy Zero Seven Eight Five this is Patina New York, do not attempt to acknowledge further transmissions. Imperative you answer all heading and altitude changes immediately. Am attempting to bring you down through all local traffic for a landing at NAS New York. Turn left to one nine zero, increase rate of descent to sixteen thousand feet per minute."

It was like playing a living pinball machine. The moving dot of light was maneuvered around, over, and under the circling traffic. Weaving in and out like a drop of quicksilver, the light descended the scale. At twenty thousand Hartnet switched to low scale. Eighteen, sixteen, now twelve thousand went by. A wrapped up turn at eight thousand put the fighter clear of heavy traffic and at four he was clear of the last two circles. Hartnet gave instructions to reduce speed and go through the landing check-off list, watched the dot slow down, and eased it around for a straight in approach. The moving dot passed over the threshold of the runway and the touchdown light came on. Hartnet's eyes darted to the wall clock.

Four minutes, right on the dropped the stack of approach tape cards back in their holder. Dina resumed her normal pleasant clicking, and purring sound. It was all over. He felt completely exhausted as he leaned against the console, the sudden release of tension nearly buckling his knees.

"Do you realize what you've done?" The voice at his elbow was a whisper, breathless and shaking, like a man awakened from a terrible nightmare.

"You've put every airliner in the New York area four minutes late!" Snead's voice rose to a shriek. "You have any idea what that will cost the airlines? How many people are going to sue? It will run into billions! And it happened while I had control," the voice broke in a sob.

"I took control away from you, remember?" Hartnet said, not bothering to turn around, "You had nothing to do with what happened."

"That's right, you did take control!" Snead couldn't conceal the note of relief that replaced the whine of despair, "I wanted to press the button, but you wouldn't let me. 'I've told you before that you'd get in trouble talking to pilots. What would happen if we lost four minutes every time some lunthead fouled up? And you know something? I'll bet you that kid doesn't even care what you did for him. I'll bet he's congratulating himself right now on what a hot pilot he is!'"

Hartnet wasn't even listening now. Why had he taken the chance he did? He had placed a lot of lives in jeopardy, which still hadn't occurred to Snead, but would certainly not escape the attention of the investigators. Had he done it to gain back the feeling of accomplishment long unfelt? Was it a genuine concern for that one pilot that prompted him to take the risk which could have meant disaster. And which had cost him his job. No use kidding himself about that, he was through. Was he, after all, a misfit, trying to prove that individual thought still had a place in the age of the machine?

One thing he was proud of. He had proven that the computer could take a lot of punishment in stride. Dina was rugged, good men had seen to that. This, he realized, was the only justification he could offer. A court of inquiry would carve that reasoning to ribbons.

Snead's voice again brought him back to the present. "The airlines people and the investigators will be here any minute," he was saying, "and I'm going to have to tell them the truth about what happened, and I'm sure you understand I can't tell them something that was a lie and which they would undoubtedly find out about and not do either of us any good..."

"No, Ralph, you couldn't do that. They'll probably have me come in early tomorrow morning on this, so I'd better be going," Hartnet stood up and walked toward the door.

Snead started to say something else, but the door had already closed, so he stood there, listening to the heavy footsteps descend the stairs of the tower. When they had faded out he hurried over to the desk and began to write his report.

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MOTHER TALK

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good behaviour to appear. Unfortunately, the child's inability, or inadequacy, or naughtiness, may be quite "normal" and reasonable for that child at that time.

Mother's "just a stage" is not usually spinlessness or a weak giving in to the child but an objective realization that this child at this time can't seem to do any better and that this stage, like the others which have preceded it, will probably be short-lived. Mother's hopes and wishes as to how her child should act have usually been cut down to size by the actual daily living reality of the child himself. Father, being away from home more, clings to his illusions.

However, all this doesn't mean that Father should be afraid of clamping down when necessary. Mother's gentleness and understanding, Father's firmness but also, we hope, understanding, are BOTH essential ingredients for a stable family life. Those of us who have had to cope with the children alone for two weeks or more while Father is away on courses etc., can vouch for this. And the change in the children

Classified Ads

Who's Who

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land Chiefs and are well known to local ball fans. Jim McEwan has been the regular third baseman until sidelined by a severe ankle injury. Utility infielders are Bob Swimm and Scotty McAskill who have been valuable pinch hitters.

The outfield is deep in defensive and each game presents the coach with a problem in selecting a starting line-up. "Woody" Woods has drawn most of the centre-field assignments because of his speed and ability to cover ground. Flanking him are Jim McInnis, Bob O'Neil, Don Chapman, Don Wilder and Al Lester.

With illness, injuries and TD, several changes have been made and Bob Denault has seen action at third and behind the plate. Chuck Hazelton and Don Wilder have also taken over at first base.

and in the family relationships in general, the first week that Father is back home, verify it.

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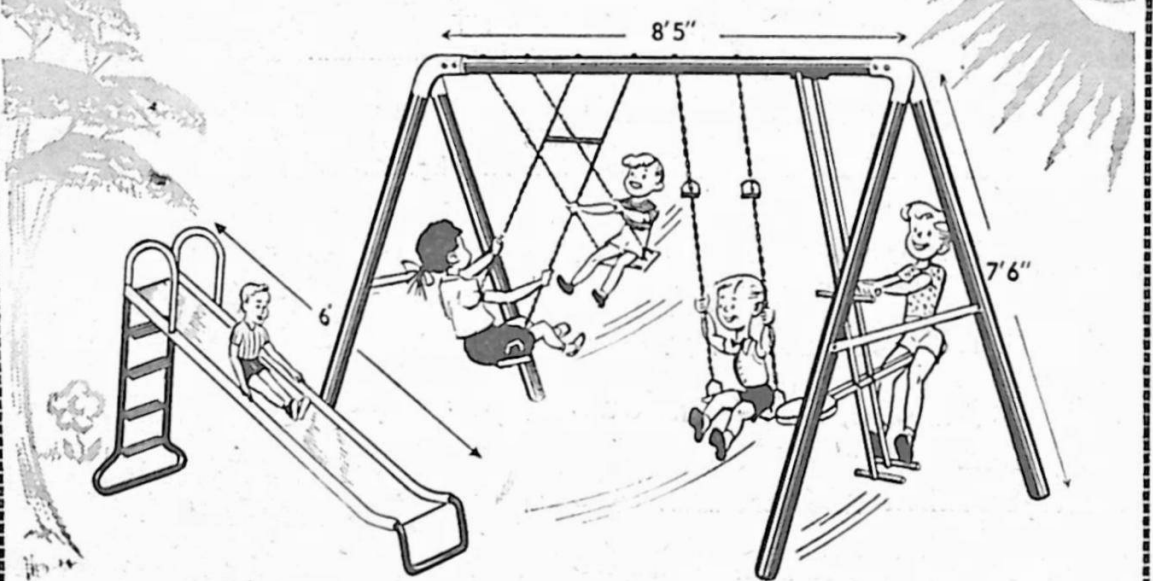
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