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## Unit Badge Designed

### Mungo Martin Chooses Significant Thunderbird

By ROBERT A. CLARKE

Shortly before Christmas a neat little problem in artistry was presented to Station Comox by ADC. It was a directive to submit a design for a unit badge. Like many such offbeat problems, this directive fell into the lap of the PRO.

Now it might have been easy to draw up a design showing 409 jets sweeping mountains and seas, but badges take a long time in being officially accepted, and who knows what the future roll of this station might be?

The decision was made to search for a theme outside the operational area (something geographic, perhaps) containing an idea and motif which would stand the test of time.

Recalling our association with the local Indians last

summer, it was decided to approach Chief Andy Frank for an idea. After all, the Indians are old hands at this sort of thing. They have had the same such system of symbolism in their culture for centuries.

It was indeed fortunate that on the very day that this writer and the PRO, F/L Patterson, chose to approach Chief Andy Frank, the top authority of Indian carving and designing, Chief Mungo Martin, happened to be visit-

ing the Frank household. The two chiefs were enthusiastic and agreed to submit a design of the emblem of the Puntledge tribe. This is the local Indian band.

The stipulation made to the chiefs was that the emblem had to portray the idea in both picture and words, of protection of home and hearth. The emblem of the Puntledge was the very thing, showing the Thunderbird flying overhead, and the two words chosen were "AI QUANESUT" which means ON WATCH.

Shortly afterwards, Chief Mungo Martin became tied up with carving commitments but he passed on the idea of the design to Mr. Jim Kane, an Indian artist, who lives in Campbell River. The emblem was received a few weeks later, drawn and painted on a square foot of plywood. From this design the station artist, LAC Don Chapman, drew up the final sketch which will be submitted.

It is quite conceivable that this badge might not be accepted. Because the design of all badges and crests used to be the prerogative of only the very highest families and even today a great deal of red tape must be cut to have a new design officially accepted. Our design will be forwarded to AFHQ. Should they deem it acceptable, they will pass it to the College of Heralds in London, England. This renowned body is notoriously fussy, but if they should pass it, then the design goes to Her Majesty the Queen, for signature.

The Indians made only one request in return for their part in this undertaking. They wish to be informed, if this badge is accepted, so that they might take part in the ceremonies that would no doubt take place on this great occasion.

## Displays Planned

Education Shapes Canada's Future, will be the theme of Education Week this year. From March 5th to March 11th our PMQ school will be placing a special emphasis on informing the public generally, and parents in particular, about the role of the school.

There will be displays in every classroom. Parents are also invited to observe classes in session and participate in parent-teacher conferences.

The children will be bringing home notices which will tell the days and times when the various classes will be open for observation.

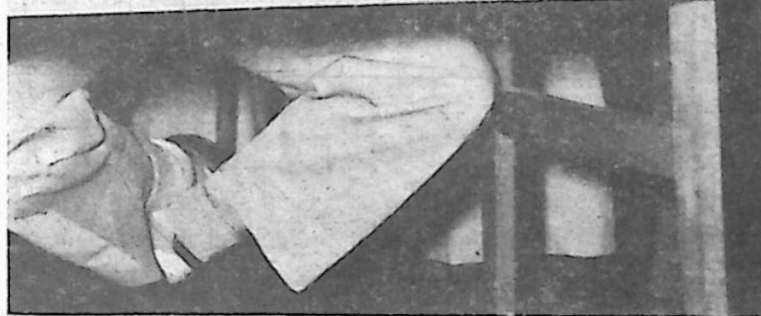
Miss Beveridge and her staff have put a great deal of effort into preparing for Education Week. Do your part by coming out and seeing with your own eyes how your child's education is progressing.

## OPENING TONIGHT



COLONEL

WAINWRIGHT PURDY III



"MORE SIGNS to let men know what they want" states Colonel Purdy III, (played by Al Burden) to his faithful aid, Sergeant Gregovich (Bob Clarke) as we see a scene from the Astral Players Production, "Teahouse of the August Moon," which opens tonight at the Station Theatre at 8:00 p.m. and runs for two more nights.

## "Scottish" Cadets Try New Rifles

### Canada on Top With Starfighter

Canada's airforce contribution to NATO in Europe has been, until recently, "right on top", and will again be with the introduction of the CF-104. This is the feeling of A/V/M E. M. Carscallen, formerly CStaffO, 4th Allied Tactical Air Force in Europe.

A/V/M Carscallen, now AOC ATC, made this statement recently during a familiarization tour of units now under his command.

The staccato of gunfire on the 25 yard range on Saturday announced the presence of over 75 Army Cadets on the station.

The Cadets, under the command of Captain H. Harris, Officer Commanding "C" Company of the Canadian Scottish, Courtenay, were trying out their newly acquired FN rifles and attending lectures on Atomic, Biological and Chemical Warfare.

They were drawn from cadet companies in Campbell River, Courtenay, Cumberland and Comox.

## RELIGION AND LIFE AWARD



AT A PRESENTATION made at the Thinking Day Service on Sunday, February 19, at the Protestant Chapel, Louise Woodrow received the Religion and Life award from Chaplain W. C. Hewitt.

## CF-104 Training At Cold Lake

Operational training for the new CF-104 Starfighter will be held at Station Cold Lake, which has been used up to now for the training of CF-100 crews.

The first aircraft in the \$400,000,000 program to re-equip the Air Div are to be delivered by Canadair Ltd. in April.

Previously, Sabre pilots have been trained at Station Chatham, but it is reported that facilities at this base are not adequate for the 1,400 mph aircraft.

## MOVING WITH THE "TIMES"

In conjunction with the renovations of the Headquarters building, the office of the "Totem Times" has been moved.

The new office is located in the Rec Centre, upstairs (not quite in the attic) beside the library, and inside (or through) the office of the SGTO.

With these explicit instructions, no one has an excuse to miss deadline by saying they couldn't find the office or the mail box.





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## Editorials

### STAY IN SCHOOL

Society is rapidly approaching the point where it will have little use for the pick and shovel mind.

Everywhere in the business and industrial world the emphasis is on automation and highly trained personnel.

The degree of training required in today's business and industrial world isn't going to come if students treat school lightly; as an institution to be left as soon as legally possible.

The Canadian Conference on Education has chosen "Stay in School" as its education week slogan and it couldn't have chosen a better one.

The temptation to get out in the world and earn big money is one which is hard for a student to resist. It is hard for the teen-age mind to realize that the earning of big money now might mean no job later, when business and industry is only interested in the educated man; the worker whose education enables him to acquire the skill which modern industry is demanding of its employees.

Every student should aim for university, or if circumstances permit, advanced education of some kind.

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### SCOUT CORNER

By Bryan Simmons

The week of 19th to 25th February was observed all over Canada as "Boy Scout Week," a period when all those connected with the Boy Scout movement pay respect to the founder.

On Sunday, February 19, all Scouts, Cubs, Guides and Brownies of the 2nd (RCAF) Comox group held a church parade and attended a church of their faith as a body. The theme of these services was in keeping with "Scouting"—and many members of the various troops and packs took active part in them. The Padres and Leaders were pleased to see so many parents at these services and were also impressed by the well "pressed and dressed" look of the uniforms.

Our bottle drive of February 18 was a success in spite of the usual B.C. "sunshine." We all wish to thank those who donated their empties and also those kind mothers who evidently got Dad to clean out the basement.

Some of the older Scouts and leaders are endeavoring to make some improvement to the Scout hall by patching and a little remodeling. Much of the material has been salvaged from various other projects and it is being put to good use to improve the surroundings where the various packs and troops meet. There will be some painting to do in the near future and all fathers who are approached to lend a hand are earnestly requested to come out and do their bit for the boys.

Recently nine patrol leaders and Scouters spent a weekend up at Jay Lodge on the Forbidden Plateau at elevation of 3500 feet, to acquaint themselves with conditions with the view that they will be taking some of the 2nd Class Scouts up there some weekend. A similar camp is planned for this coming weekend by the "Pioneers" troop, and at a later date the "Hikers" troop will also spend some time in this phase of Scouting.

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CATHOLIC CHAPEL  
F/L J. F. BOURKE

Sunday Masses: 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Week day Masses, Monday thru Friday, 5:35 p.m. Saturday, 11 a.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 4th—11 a.m. in the Chapel, Wedding of LAC David Charles Abel and Miss Diana Carol Iles.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8th—7 p.m. at the Chaplain's residence - Information Group.

Stations of the Cross and Benediction—Sunday and Friday at 7 p.m.  
Confessions—Saturday 7 to 8 p.m.

Religious instruction for school children up to grade 6—Mondays at the Wallace Garden School at 4 p.m. High grades—Sundays at 7 p.m.

CHOIR REHEARSALS—Adult Choir, Thursday, 7 p.m. Junior Choir, Saturday, 6:30 p.m.

A PARISH MISSION

A Parish Mission is usually held once a year. This year, at the Roman Catholic Chapel RCAF Comox it will take place in the week of March 12.

The first three days, Sunday-Monday-Tuesday, will be for women only. The following three days, Wednesday-Thursday-Friday, for men only. We certainly would like to have every parishioner without exception perform the Mission in its entirety. Three days for each person... it's short, but full of spiritual strengthening. The children also will be asked to participate: Monday and Tuesday.

Do plan ahead. Do not hesitate to cancel any social engagements which might interfere with your Mission attendance.

You give your car a tune-up after a thousand miles. Our soul needs the check-up and the tune-up more than the car does. That's about the purpose of the Mission, a spiritual check-up and a tune-up. The Mission will be preached

PROTESTANT CHAPEL  
F/L W. C. HEWITT

3rd Service in Lent - March 5  
SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION, 8:30 a.m. Service Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Wallace Gardens School. Primary Sunday School, 11 a.m.

MORNING PRAYER AND HOLY COMMUNION, 11 a.m. Senior Confirmation Classes, 2 p.m. Adult Confirmation Class, 4 p.m.

Baptisms by arrangement with the Chaplain.

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE, Wednesday, 10 a.m.

RE CONFIRMATION: The Confirmation service has been arranged to take place on one of the evenings during Holy Week. The rite will be administered by the Rt. Rev. Henry D. Martin who visited us on a similar occasion last spring.

YOU WERE ASKING?

Question: My son, 12 years of age, recently asked me what is the Holy Ghost? How does a parent answer this?

Answer: The word used for spirit in the Bible is the same as wind or breath. The movement of air, although invisible, creates certain effects which may be seen. The wind can shake trees, move sailboats, even blow down buildings, but the wind itself is not seen.

Thus the Holy Spirit, which is the same title as the Holy Ghost, is God at work in human hearts and human societies. God is not seen, but the effects of His work are seen in changed lives, holy living and love for one's neighbour.

by Father John Lambert of the Redemptorist Fathers of Vancouver.

The detailed daily timetable will be announced on Sunday at Masses, and also will be mentioned in the Rec Bulletin next week, a few days prior to the beginning of the Mission.

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### SMORGASBORD

MENU FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 4

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Elk Hotel Special Potato Salad  
Roast Sliced Turkey - Baked Virginia Ham  
Roast Beef - Pickled Tongue - Roast Pork  
Assorted Fancy Sausage - Cracked Queen Charlotte Crab

### HOT DISHES

Barbecued Spare Ribs - Curried Oysters

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Sweet Pickles - Stuffed Olives - Mustard Pickles  
Radishes - Beets - Celery  
Assorted Imported and Domestic Cheeses  
Our Famous Baked Alaska Dessert - Fresh Fruit Salad  
Crispy Rolls - Our Special Blend Coffee  
6:30 to 10:00 p.m.

## MODEL RAILROADING

by JACK NOBLE

### AT THE CLUB

During the last month the Comox Union Railway has once more hit a productive period and work has progressed to a noticeable degree on many parts of the right of way. Our vice-president, Brian Golds, has pushed his crew to exhaustion in an effort to get the terminal at Kelsey ready for the summer tourist trade, while our scenic specialists, George Little and Reg. Griffiths have been busy making mountains out of molehills. Incidentally, those fine bridges that have appeared in photographs in this column from time to time, were created by Reg. and George.

With wire screening in place and liberal layers of asbestos shorts smeared over it to form mountains and rolling hills, part of the layout is emerging from its flat mass of track and roadbed into an attractive railroad scene. This metamorphosis is further enhanced by the little shanty town that sprang up over night (it really did, too! It was set out the night before the CO inspected the club) and by the stockpens, oil storage scene and roundhouse that now grace the layout.

### SOMETHING FOR THE GIRLS

Until very recently my dear wife has taken a very passive attitude toward railroading activities. Whenever I would get around to mentioning a new locomotive she would become very impassive! However, of late there has been a change and her interest is definitely on the upswing. The other day she broke down and ordered by two model railroad books from the library and when she was picking them up the librarian asked if I might not be interested in how to make scenery. My wife assured her that I was and the librarian took her over to a massive book of formulae and showed her a method of making paper-mache. My wife, delighting in her new found knowledge, exclaimed! "Oh! My husband uses asbestos shorts!"—Now I feel that somewhere therein lies a joke but my wife insists there is nothing funny about this little episode at all because NEARLY everyone knows that asbestos shorts are what plumbers use to insulate pipes and model railroaders use for making mountainsides!

In a previous column I pointed out what a wonderful "togetherness" could result from a husband and wife teaming up to enjoy the hobby together. I made this statement with some trepidation and expected the odd snarl from the fellows at the next meeting. To my surprise some of the members were quite elated at the thought of having their wives out to the club (possibly to prove that there really was a club that they went to on Wednesday evenings)! One character had the thought-provoking idea of putting our wives to work on the layout! Yipe!

Seriously, the National Model Railroad Association has quite recently formed a ladies' group called the "Railettes" and I see no reason why interested wives cannot participate a little more actively in our club activities. When one reflects a little while, there are probably many facets of model railroading that the ladies may have a far more natural talent for, than do the men!

### NO FREE ADVERTISING

The other day I spoke to the managing editor of a certain newspaper, and while the advertising manager listened with slowly dilating eyeballs and slight flecks of foam on his mouth, I proceeded in a most innocent manner to inquire if a certain model railroad club located in building 22 at Station Comox could get a cut rate on a little advertising. The managing editor said a quick "NO!" and this was quickly seconded by a small spluttering of foam! I pointed out that all I wanted was about a seven inch square stating that the club met each Wednesday evening at 1930 hrs (7:30 p.m. to the uninitiated) and that we were open for new members.

Their heads made like they were watching a tennis match during a violent exchange of shots and there was such finality in the dead expression on their faces that I knew I had to take a new approach. "Could I maybe—er—slip a little—er—line or two in my column that this 45 foot by 10 foot layout that we are building requires additional loving hands to bring it to maturity and that any interested parties could get further information by coming up to the club on a Wednesday evening between 2000 hrs and 2200 hrs."

"Utterly impossible!" thundered the managing editor. "Why all our paid advertisers would write columns like yours just to get free advertising!" Realizing how adamant they



## Mother Talk

By "Mommy"

COMIC BOOKS: Nuisance or menace? Most psychologists feel, except for the most lurid and unnecessary of the crime comics which they, like others, would like to see abolished—the comic book situation is one which can generally be kept under control in the average home. Not so much by outright opposition and prohibition as by reasonable supervision and regulation. Parents can be helped to take a calm attitude toward the problem during these months when the tide of comic books in the home rises to its peak if they have a preview of the course which the comic book addiction will probably follow in any given child. Like paper-doll collecting, or stamp collecting, or a passion for electric trains, interest in comic books increase slowly but steadily over a period of months or years, reaches a climax in which it may virtually blot out all other forms of recreation, and then, shortly after it reached this intolerable peak, dies out—in most cases, almost completely—leaving few, if any, scars.

The following is a brief survey of the course of comic book addiction as found in a group of boys and girls studied in New Haven by the Gessell Institute. In many, some mild interest in the daily and Sunday comics is evidenced as early as four or five years of age. Some puzzle out the pictures for themselves; others like to be read to—but interest in "funny books" is very slight. Six-year-olds, thanks to their schooling, are often able to do simple reading for themselves and nearly half of this group either spelled out the comics for themselves or asked to have them read to them. Interest at this age is fairly general and a few already have their favorites—usually of the gentler sort. By seven many are already struck with the funny book craze; within his limited financial and reading abilities, the comic-book-

were, I gave up the idea entirely but as I dejectedly left the office I wondered if our club coffee fund could afford a small ad about the Model Railroad Club in building 22 that meets at 1930 hours on Wednesday nights and is open for new memberships!

reading seven-year-old often goes as far as he can in buying, reading, collecting and bartering comics. The daily adventures of ordinary people or the adventures of supermen are usually his favorites. But with the typical passion for blood and violence of the Seven, some are already showing a preference for the more violent type of comic. This preference, however, can at this age usually be pretty well controlled by parents through financial if not through other restrictions. By eight, interest has increased and the eight-year-old, like seven, buys, collects, barter, borrows, hoards and, needless to say, READS comic books—and now definitely enjoys adventure and blood and thunder as well as the simpler daily life or animal comics. Nine, in many, marks the peak of this comic book passion. Nine is the age when many children seem to live only for comic books; they exist surrounded by as high piles of them as parents permit. They not only buy, read, barter and borrow, but they arrange and classify—and woe to Mother if one is missing! Strong parental supervision is needed at this age to keep this funny book passion from engulfing all other interests. Some mothers complain that their children act as if drugged, looking up glassy-eyed if spoken to, from the comic book in hand. It is not too attractive to see the hope of the family so occupied, so immersed. Let's hope that your child, like many others, may have reached the peak of his addiction by nine. By ten, many children have passed the peak and although almost all still read them, the "avid" readers and collectors are in the minority. Mother may even be allowed to throw out some of the old ones—progress is really being made! By 11, though some slightly immature children are at it as strongly as ever, the decline in interest continues. By 12, although two-thirds of the group studied still read comic books on occasions, only 10% continued to be avid readers.

By 13, only half of the group read comics at all. Though some as early as seven show an interest in crime and gore, the books most frequently purchased and read, even as late as ten, are the benign Little Lulu, Superman, Bugs Bunny, Orphan Annie category. Not until 11 or after, when in many the craze is beginning to die out anyway, comes a prevailing interest in tales of crime and passion.

WHAT TO DO ABOUT COMICS? That is, of course, up to the individual parents. However, a complete home ban on funny books merely serves to drive these books to the garage, the barn, the attic or some neighbour's playroom. The best results are usually achieved by reasonable regulation rather than by complete prohibition. Many children will accept without too much controversy regulation of the amount of money they spend, the (approximate) number and kind of comics which they may buy, the amount of time which may be spent in reading such books AND the amount of space in the house which can be filled with them. True—all this takes a good deal of regulating but as a rule it is more effective than a complete and utter ban—in fact, it is doubtful if a complete and utter ban is necessary even if it could be effective. In the case of reasonably good homes and neighbourhoods, comic-book reading is no more likely than is any other entertainment medium to produce delinquency or emotional upset.

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## DEMON DOIN'S

by GOSH

A distinguished visitor to the squadron this week the person of W/C J. C. McCarthy, who dropped in on us for a few days, from Clinton, before he continues on to San Diego and Alameda, to liaise with the U.S. of Americans about future liaison. And speaking of visitors, the station will be setting out the best tea cups on the tenth, when playing host to G/C W. L. Gillespie, Director of Ancillary and Telecommunications Requirements (WOW); Dr. Arnell, scientific advisor to the Chief of the Air Staff; and Dr. Radcliffe, Director of Systems Evaluation. (NOTE: Stn. PRO may copy) ... Another new-painted bird returns to the nest as 125 joins 116 on the line in all her white and grey finery.

**NEW FACES:** F/L Don Walkey, a pilot, is the first of the new aircrew to arrive from Summerside; also due in forthwith are: F/L P. Bremner, Pilot; F/L W. H. P. Hedges, Nav.; F/O J. G. F. Lapointe, RO; and Sgt. L. A. Taylor, FE. Welcome aboard this side of Hades, ye Demons. A note of interest: F/L Hedges claims previous service with the South African Navy; we were unaware that South Africa was in this particular business, but now that we are, we still don't know quite what to make of it. ... Browsing around down Armentway way, we discovered LAC Bert Hebron has an unusual interest. He has a collection of dairy-herd pictures which is quite remarkable. If this is the field in which he plans to retire, however, we don't imagine he will collect his pension too long. ... Don't know what Cpl. Fran Shore has done for Cpl. Pat McKenzie to make him so appreciative, however, we're given to understand he presented her with a box of candy Shores, by the way, have their house on the market, planning to close up shop here and go into the real estate business in Summerside. Meanwhile, Sgt. Len "One No Trump" Lapeer is in a state of turmoil wondering who, or even what, he'll get to replace the fair Fran. ... F/L Wilf Gammie, in absentia, picked up a nice little piece of cake. Wilf goes to CJS, London, as PRO. ... FS Wellstead, from AMCHQ, spending a couple of weeks TD with us, helping FS Lindy Wentzell rewrite the Armament EOs. Lindy, by the way, showed 'tother morning with a pretty bad looking eye. I wonder if he got it from the



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same doorknob that gave F/O Copeland that very pronounced jaw. ... S/L Ed Hudson logging a lot more hours in the little Vanguard, tooting back and forth from Pat Bay where he's trying to let something drop, but can't seem to find it in the fog. ... LAC Ron Smith, having acquired himself a little Peopelwagen, got so carried away on modifications he's even using his own time to work on it. When and if it's finished he figures on renaming it a Smithwagen. ... Sgt. Jim Baker got himself elected District Commissioner of the Boy Scouts. ... F/O Rick Meader hunting Salmon these days with full charges. Claims if you drop one within five hundred yards, if you don't get it, you make it wish you had. ... The Sparks, flashes and reverberations you'll see and hear emanating from the Elk Hotel tomorrow night will just be No. 2 Crew Servicing having a little social evening.

F/O and Mrs. Alex McKinnon celebrating the birth of a boy. ... For LAC and Mrs. J. R. Olscamp it's a girl, Karen Marie. ... And for LAC and Mrs. Rosie Rosaduk, also a girl, Karen Darlene. Rosie's unhappy with the deal, however, claims the plumbing leaks. To you, and you, and you, CONGRATULATIONS!

Effective the tenth, F/L K. Petch will operate in Operations, Crew 5 is to be taken over by F/L "Crash Message" Smerdon, F/L "The Curlier" McPherson, whose rink had a go at the Tri-Service Bonspiel, winning two and losing three, gets back to work again as chief driver of Crew 6. ... LAC Bob O'Neill's advice to goal tenders is to keep your eye on the puck. Bob demonstrated his technique the other night by keeping both eyes on it. Has a couple of real beauties to show for it. ... LAC John Fortin is another lad with some good advice to offer: regardless of what your own taste in colour might be, when it comes to licence plates, follow the style, 'cause the cops always get their man. ... Cpl. Stan Tilley, getting his crop in early, sprouting quite a bit of foliage on his upper lip, has to buy his coffee two cups at a time. The first one just soaks into the moustache, the second one he gets to drink. ... F/L "Wild Bill" Cannings enjoying a spot of leave, has found the answer to wet weather. He dropped by the other day to show the water-proofing job he'd done on his hands. If it works on his hands it should be interesting to see the project applied 100 per cent. ... And Cpl. "Hot Tip" McMullin, also took a few days leave, but forgot about it and spent the first two days working, before the dawn came. ... F/O George Leask is spending every weekend in Vancouver. Gets his quarters from Sea Island, but don't know where he gets his rations. ... Crew 6 still recovering from a hard land at Pat Bay, where they made quite an impression — in the runway. ... F/L George Mitchell and F/O Piers Burnham leave us for the redder pastures of Summerside; and F/O Casey Schmidt gets himself civilianized. Good luck to all. ... A new issue hat makes it first appearance on the squadron. It's that of Special Projects Officer and is worn by F/L Wally Jensen. ... F/O Len Haenni and F/O John Alexander did venture up the Plateau with skiing the end in view. They achieved the view, but not their end, when they discovered at the top that ski boots had been forgotten. ... A commendation is in order this edition. It goes to Sgt. G. Wiener, who proves he's got the mustard, above and beyond the call of duty. George is spending his leave teaching his wife to drive.

## Retread's Reminiscences

Today's serviceman has a lot to learn, and a lot to be thankful for, what with things the way they are now for the embryo. It seems like only yesterday that we joined the Army. In those days we didn't enlist, enrol, or engage, we joined up. It was in the Princess Louise Fusiliers (MG), the MG signifying Machine Gun Battalion, in Halifax. And one didn't join up as a mechanic, a driver, or a clerk; one simply joined up, and from there on in, may God have mercy on your soul.

We got our recruit training in the battalion, not in Manning Depot, and one of the sharpest recollections we have is of our first drill instructor. We can't remember the chap's name but so long as we may live we'll have a perfect picture of him in our mind, about five feet seven inches tall, about five feet seven inches wide, and with a voice like a bull buffalo in mating season.

It was said that in peacetime, on civvy street, this instructor, who was a staff sergeant in rank, was a seal hunter by trade; whatever his trade, he was endowed with more than the usual amount of ingenuity in all respects, the principal support of this was in the fact that, eventually he made soldiers of all of us.

One of the principal tricks in his little bag was waiting for one of his unfortunate crew to make an error of direction; if he shouted "Squad will move to the right in three, right turn," the unfortunate who turned left promptly had his right boot whitewashed, in order that it might remind him in future, that there was a difference between right and left. The fact that the poor fellow had only one pair of boots to his name, and had to turn out in the morning with them black and polished, only added spice to the occasion. One of the Staff's favorite gimmicks was to take an inexperienced squad out for drill, after about an hour's effort, just when smoke break about 30 seconds away, he'd halt the squad, stand them at ease, then easy, and he'd say: "You know, fellows, I don't want to seem tough to you."

Really I'm not, you know actually I'm the world's most sentimental guy. Why, when I was just a little fellow, I always wanted to be a soldier. I spent all my time playing with little tin soldiers. The Army was the only thing which meant anything to me. But one day I lost by little tin soldiers, and I was sad; and I cried. But my dear old mother, God rest her soul, cuddled me to her breast, and comforted me, saying: "Don't cry, sonny dear, some day you'll find your little tin soldiers, again." And do you know, fellows, she was right, because by the Lord XX&SS' I've found them now.

Another of his favorites on morning inspection, as he walked the space between the three rows, before we were considered fit to be gazed upon by the platoon commander, was to stop before one of his favorite sheep, and in a solicitous tone, inquire if the poor fellow had shaved this morning. Upon the natural response that yes he had shaved this morning, the Staff, in a voice to be heard from the headquarters building to the latrine, bellowed: "Well, tomorrow morning, stand closer to the razor."

One important point, however, soon became evident. No matter how hard he bellowed, no matter how hard he scornfully stripped a man, nobody ever seemed to have to mark time with his hat off. The malcontents seemed to do more than their rightful share of sentry-go, kitchen fatigue, or barrack guard, but nobody ever seemed to get put on charge; and from the time we learned to stand properly to attention, till the time we knew what to do at the com-

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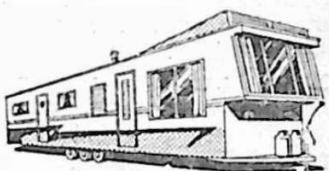
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## Airforce News Across Canada

### Summerside ... HANGAR COMPLETED

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### Baden-Soellingen ... PILOT AWARDED AFC BY QUEEN MOTHER

F/O Clive Batcock, had the Air Force Cross pinned to his tunic by the Queen Mother. Batcock, stationed at 4 (F) Wing, stayed with his dead-engine Sabre last March and brought the aircraft in for a perfect forced landing, preventing it from crashing into a built-up area.

### Hamilton ... 424 SQDN. GOES

SEARCH AND RESCUE Hamilton's 424 (Reserve) Squadron, rapidly filling its new role as a search and rescue group, has been equipped with Otters. Designed to fly out of lakes and landing areas inaccessible to most aircraft, these planes will give the Auxiliary outfit greater flexi-

### KING NEPTUNE'S DIVERS

At the last meeting of the King Neptunes the most important topic discussed was poor attendance at the meetings. We would like to have every member attend at least one meeting a month.

The death of Dave Dorman, from Victoria, should serve as a reminder to every diver on this station or anywhere that skin or scuba diving can be a dangerous sport. First aid courses are being given to club members now and everyone should make an extra effort to attend. This will make diving a little safer for all.

Club parties, to which all members will be heartily welcomed, will soon be organized. It must be stressed, however, that only good attendance at the club meetings and functions can make this project possible, so let's make an effort to attend a few more meetings.

### COMM-CHATTER

By ROBERT A. CLARKE

More new people have dribbled into Telecom Ground over the past couple of weeks. The peculiar thing about them is that we had no prior notice of them coming. The explanation; they were slated to go to Holberg but had their transfers changed at the last minute. So, we are happy to welcome ACIs Bourgeois and Lloyd to our happy midst.

Telecom Air tells me they have no news this time. Nothing ever happens to them, they say. I did see Tiny Collins hobbling around on crutches the other day, though. He has had a lot of trouble with his leg and is again back in cast. Let's hope that it heals properly this time.

Our smorgasbord was very very successful last Saturday night. The spread was both copious and delicious. I only gained two pounds from the ordeal. Guess I'll have to starve for a couple of weeks now.

Well, I'm really sorry that this column is so short this time, but this is really all the news for now. See you next issue.

bility in operations. The squadron will keep its Expenditors to continue light transport duties, and to assist local militia groups in civilian or military disaster.

### Camp Borden ... RCAF ASSISTS BARRIE WINTER CARNIVAL

Personnel at Camp Borden have again co-operated with the Winter Carnival Committee by supplying a fire truck at the Barrie airfield for the protection of the many small aircraft expected for the annual "fly in." The fire truck was manned by experienced crews from the fire fighter school at Camp Borden. In

### FLYCON FLASHES

by FROMMAGE

Here we are with the Flycon Exams over with for another 'short spell'. At the present, there are quite a few anxious faces about wondering what the outcome of the markings will show. The efforts of the "Originators" should be appreciated by all, as I believe all personnel are a little more up to date and possibly picked up a few gems here and there. Marks will probably be out by Friday the 10th, so should have a busy Weepers that night.

This coming Friday the 3rd, there shall be a jolly-ole Flycon Stag. Time—1730, Place—the Old Cpl's Club. Free goodies for the gourmets and gas for the guzzlers. Expect all Flycon bods to be out as we will be entertaining the staff of the RCC and Sea Island. So gals, don't expect hubby home too early and when he does get there, take it easy on him.

GCA finally got another man to help build up its diminishing strength in the form of Cpl. Frank Hutchins, but alas it only lasted a couple of days and AFHQ must have heard that we were almost up to strength again and "BANG!" —Frank was transferred to Val d'Or via a month's TD at Sea Island. RAPCON came thru in the pinch and loaned us another controller namely FS Gord Vilven and let's hope it lasts longer than a couple of days. Seems Dave volunteered to give up his weekend off and spend 48 hours at the Tower.

LAC Frank "Schoolboy" Gavin, the latest to be shipped from the Glass House over to RAPCON, traded places with Cpl. "Barney" Dunlevy who seems to be having a little trouble eyeballing things lately.

Guess that's all for this issue and hope to have something more interesting and chevier for next deadline. See you all at the Stag and remember "The Ear" will be there taking notes so be on your best behaviour. OUT!

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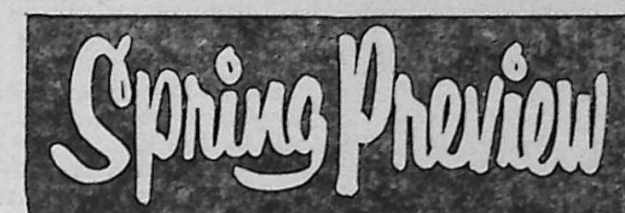
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## NEWS IN Sports

### Airforce Down Comets



Defenceman Bill Hughie

The regular schedule of the season ended last Sunday by the station hockey team defeating the Nanaimo Comets 6-3 in a hard fought, fast-checking game which saw referee Ross Valliere hand out a total of 14 penalties. John Hunter paced the airmen to three goals, picking up a hot trick followed by Tom Slemming who added two goals and two assists to his credit to lead in the league individual scoring race.

The Nanaimo Comets set a fast pace in the first period

by scoring the only goal when Dawes, unassisted, beat Bob O'Neil, the Airforce netminder. This was Bob O'Neil's debut in the nets for the airmen and was replaced by Billy Therse in the second period due to an injury.

Zeleb of Nanaimo, assisted by Dawes and Wilson, led the attack in the second period by crashing through the Airforce defence and scoring early in the period. The airmen came to life at the 15 minute mark and retaliated as Hunter, assisted by Slemming, scored their first goal.

The airmen showed lots of hustle in the final period as they exploded with five goals. It was Hunter and Slemming again, as Hunter scored assisted by slimming and Morley 4 seconds after the period.

Slemming put the airmen ahead when he scored on a pass from Hughie. "Stu" Stewart added to the scoring on a pass from Jones. Slemming scored his second goal of the game at the 15:10 mark assisted by Morley. Hunter rounded off the scoring for the airmen by scoring the final goal on an assist from Hughie. The lone tally in this period for the Comets was scored by Zaleb and Muellek.

The league play-offs commence this coming Sunday, 5 March, when the station team meets the Nanaimo Rammers at 1715 hours.

### Comox Hosts Basketball Tournament "S"

Station Comox was invaded by some 60 odd basketball players representing all three of the armed services in Canada and the USAF on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 3rd, 4th and 5th March.

This weekend it was originally planned that Station Comox would host only the Lauraine Trophy tournament, but by last week things had got slightly out of hand. This weekend will see four tournaments being run at once, the 5 Air Div., the B.C. Area, Tri-Service, and the Lauraine Trophy.

As far as the Lauraine Trophy is concerned the first round games will start at 1400 hrs on Friday, 3 March, and run through with games at 1600, 1900 and 2100 hrs. Saturday morning at 0900 and 1100 hrs and semi-finals in the consolation tournament will be

played. The championship round semi-finals will be at 1330 and 1500 hrs. The finals in both the consolation and championship round will be at 1900 and 2100 hrs on Saturday 4th March.

On Sunday the 5 ADRA and Tri-Service championships will be declared. No doubt a method of reverting to games played in the Lauraine Trophy will be used where possible in these other two tournaments. Nevertheless there will be in all likelihood be games on Sunday afternoon and evening.

Teams are entered from Stn Comox, Holberg, Sea Island, Camp Chilliwack, HMC Naden, the two USAF teams are from Blaine and Puntzi Mountain.

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### Aitkenhead Rink Wins Tri-Service

The Tri-Service Curling Bonspiel was hosted this year by the Army (BC Area HQ) and held in the Pacific Curling Rink in Vancouver on the 23rd and 24th of February.

The bonspiel was run on the point system, under which ten points are awarded to the winning team while one point is given to the team scoring on an end, with each team getting half a point for a blank end.

Each of the services were represented by four teams. With a total of 12 teams entered, these were divided into two groups of 6. In "A" division were F/L MacPherson (Comox), LAC Nygren (Stn Van) and in "B" division were Cpl Fitzgerald (Sea Island) and LAC Aitkenhead (Comox).

On Thursday, 23rd Feb., 0800 draw, LAC Nygren defeated F/L MacPherson (whom F/L MacPherson defeated for the 5 Air Div. Championship) and LAC Aitkenhead defeated Cpl Fitzgerald. Also on the Thursday draw both Comox rinks won their next two games.

On the Friday 24th February draws, F/L MacPherson lost both of his remaining games to end up fourth in his division while LAC Aitkenhead won his first game and lost his second but in losing won first place in his division.

The finals were played at 1400 hrs with LAC Aitkenhead defeating Capt. Wilkinson for the A/C Ross Trophy and Capt. Forbes defeating Sgt. Mackay for the runner up spot.

The Tri-Service trophy went to the RCAF who had a total of 218 points. Army was second with 198½ points, while the Navy was third with 183½ points.

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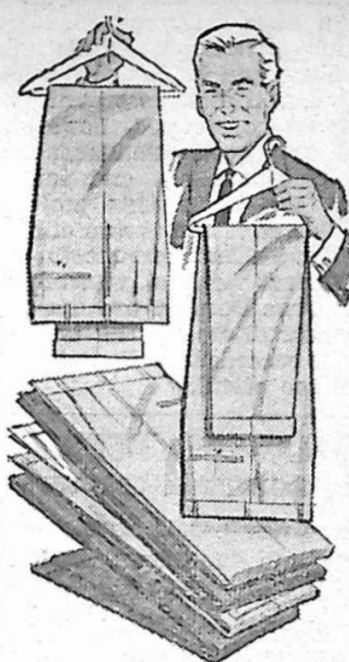
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## West Coast of Vancouver Island — A Cruising Paradise

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The insatiable appetite of the lumbering industry has forced deeper and deeper penetration of these dense forests and the surmounting of these seemingly impassable mountain barriers, until now the whole of the island is interlaced with logging roads slicing through dense bush, scanning tall mountain peaks, crossing deep bogs and rushing mountain streams, circling bottomless clear lakes to finally come to an abrupt end overlooking the clear blue waters of the Pacific Ocean.

The first road to penetrate this virgin territory from the east coast of the island to the shores of the Pacific has only recently been opened to the general public. It was well worth the long wait. This island studded, deeply indented fishing paradise is of indescribable beauty.

Exciting inlets penetrating deeply into the interior of the island, offer cruising and fishing waters unsurpassed in any part of the world.

Exciting names such as Mayeha River, Esowista Peninsula, Espinosa Inlet, Wickaninnish Bay and Clayoquot Sound lend a further feeling of adventure to an already adventurous waterways.

Sailing through these calm crystal clear waters with snow peaked mountains in the near distance lends an air of peaceful desolation to a sports fishing paradise which is virtually untapped.

The climate in the Tofino-Ucluelet area is mild with little snow, but with heavy rains and fog during much of the winter. Because of the mild winters, food for game is more readily available during the winter period and losses from winter kill are not as high as in the mainland interior. During the winter months, heavy snowfall in the mountains, forces game down from their summer and fall range to the lower elevations. Seals and sea lions are a common sight along the west coast of the island.

One of the many attractions along this coast is Long Beach (between Tofino and Ucluelet). This is an outstanding beach and with the opening of the Alberni-Tofino road should become a tourist mecca.

There are many logging, fishing and mining settlements along this coast which have no direct road connections with the rest of the island. These are served by coastal vessels and scheduled air lines. Three new public access roads are being built. One of these will run between Campbell River and Murchalut Inlet on the west coast, another will eventually link Lake Cowichan with Port Renfrew on the south-west coast while a third will complete the span between Port Renfrew and the end of the Jordan River Road. There are weekly passenger and freight ferry services between Victoria and many points along the west coast, including Tofino and Ucluelet.

Rapid modern communication exists between Tofino and Ucluelet and other west coast settlements to other parts of the world.

The population of Tofino is about 400 and it is the head-



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The type of weather we have been experiencing the past few weeks is hardly conducive to outdoor activities and except for those hardy souls who cannot resist the excitement of

us are spending our time indoors polishing our rods, oiling our reels, reading of those fortunate souls who can afford to head south to warmer climates for their winter fishing, or merely dreaming of the coming coho, or blueback runs.

In spite of the fact that I may be missing some very exciting fishing, this is precisely what I am doing—dreaming.

I have had a taste of good trout fishing in Buttle Lake and I am looking forward to more of this in the coming months of March and April, and without the discomfort of cold rain and high winds.

I have been told that Horne Lake is excellent for trout fishing. In fact my informant claims that he and several of his friends caught their limit in an unbelievably short time. This lake is about five miles off the highway from the vicinity of Qualicum Beach. I hope to try this lake myself this spring. The lake is five miles long by one mile wide. Apparently it's loaded with rainbow, Kamloops, cut-throat trout (1-4 lbs.) and small Kokanee.

Perhaps you are not aware of this species of game. The game seasons are liberal. A copy of the Game Regulations can be procured from the Fish and Game Branch, Dept. of Lands and Forests, Vancouver, B.C.

Steelhead, salmon and trout abound in all the many spawning rivers and streams which flow into the countless bays and inlets in this magnificent fishing wonderland.

Fishing on the west coast as in all other parts of the island is open the year round. When weather and heavy seas do not permit fishing in the open sea, the sheltered bays and inlets provide unequalled sports fishing. When one tires of salt water fishing the streams and rivers provide steelhead and trout fishing beyond your wildest dreams.

As for hunting, the west coast abounds in deer, black bear, grouse of many species, duck, geese, snipe and the fearsome cougar.

Canada has signed a migratory birds treaty with the U.S. thereby guaranteeing the per-battling a huge steelhead in spite of the weather, most of

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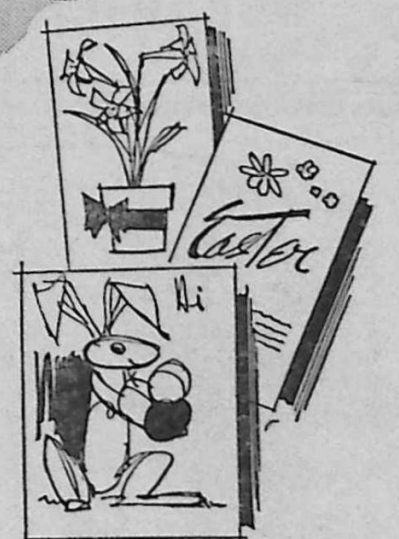
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## WHAT NEXT?

By ANDY TURPIN-CARROLL, RCAF Public Relations  
Curling has come to the Arctic!

Seal and polar bear hunting and fishing through the ice may soon be replaced by the old and ancient ice game. Future generations of Eskimos will probably be more adept at throwing the "rocks" than tossing a harpoon.

Newest recruits to swell the ranks of more than 500,000 curlers in this country is a unique rink formed last year at Cape Parry, a combined RCAF/USAF radar base on the frozen shores of the Arctic Ocean.

Four Eskimos, employed by the civilian contractor at this main DEW Line site, last year became interested in curling and teamed up to compete with Canadian and American civilian and military personnel at the base.

One of the most northern curling rinks in North America is the RCAF base at Resolute Bay, 74 degrees north, has a rink. The building itself is a makeshift affair, combining both native and contemporary architecture.

The framework of the structure was fashioned with timbers salvaged from discarded construction huts used when the line was built. Scrap electrical cable was strung inside and hooked up to the base power plant for lighting.

Over the frame a heavy canvas was stretched to form the roof and walls. Blocks of snow were cut from nearby drifts and banked solidly against the sides of the rink such as one would pile cement blocks. This afforded an excellent break from the chill Arctic wind that sweeps across the snow-covered tundra.

The Eskimos, who are hired as vehicle drivers by the Federal Electric Corporation, draw water daily for the camp from a nearby lake. Many gallons were hauled by them to form the single sheet of ice inside the rink.

At first they were a bit dubious about dumping all that water on the ground. As one RCAF officer put it, "They thought we were a little crazy asking them to haul water all that distance and then pour it on the ground to freeze."

And in 39 degrees below zero weather the water froze as fast as they could pour it. Ice at this extremely frigid temperature does not necessarily make for good curling as it becomes very brittle and is easily chipped by a poorly-delivered 40 pound rock.

Now in the second year of operation, with one bonspiel held in July of last year and another scheduled for this year, the rink has become the prime recreational activity for the five RCAF, two USAF and more than 100 civilian employees at Cape Parry.

The Eskimo team, having that amazing co-ordination of hand and eye, common to their race, are developing into a top-notch rink, according to Squadron Leader Eric Tuckey, of London, Ont., senior military commander at the DEW Line site.

Who knows, some day we may see them in stiff competition with their fellow Canadians to the south.

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"WHO WINS?" ... A close point is marked off in the unique curling rink at Cape Parry DEW Line site. Skip of the four-man Eskimo rink, Edward Rurbin, 42 (centre), and his second, Eric Lester, 28 (left), claim the end from opposing skip, Squadron Leader E. C. Tuckey of London, Ont., senior military commander of the combined RCAF/USAF radar site.

## Teen Town News

First, I would like to thank all the parents that attended our dance last week. There weren't as many parents as we hoped for, but I'm sure that the ones that did attend had a good time. Parents attending were: Padre and Mrs. Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. Hoult, Mr. and Mrs. Kitchen, Mr. and Mrs. Bourque, Mr. and Mrs. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Wenzell, Mr. Robinson and Mr. Hudson. We would like to extend a special thanks to Mrs. Comar and Mrs. Aikenhead for their work in the kitchen.

The carnival originally scheduled for March 3 will be postponed until the fifth of April, because of the Astral Player's Production of "Tea House of the August Moon". On Friday, March 3, there will be a general meeting at 7 o'clock and a dance afterwards. Admission to the dance will be 15c for members and 25c for non-members. Let's have a good turn-out to the general meeting as there will be important discussion.

In the last couple of weeks at bowling there have been several illustrious scores. The Rock'n Pins rolled a 1017 team single and the really big score was a "294" rolled by Sharon

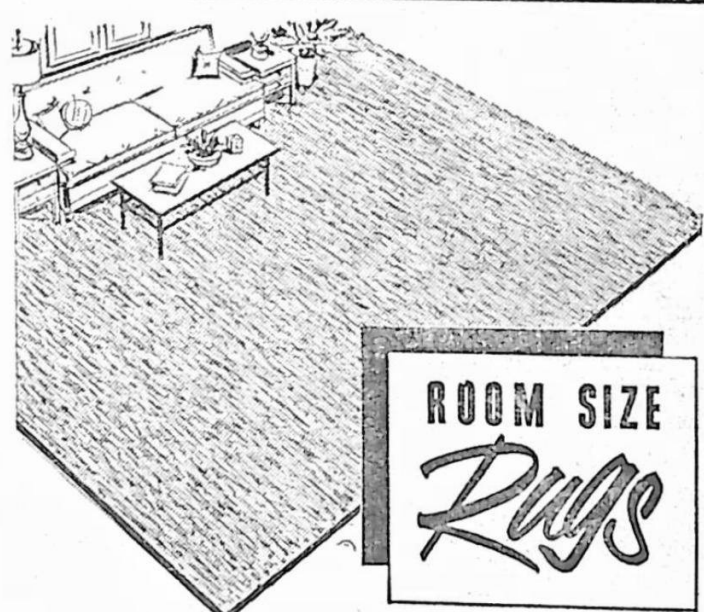
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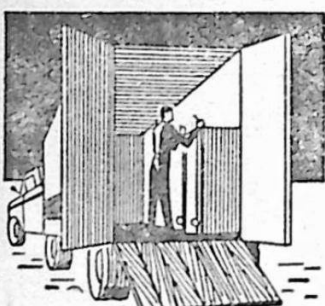
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### P-TA MEETING

There will be a meeting of the P-TA on Wednesday, Mar. 8 at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium.

The program will consist of discussion and adaption of a constitution.

Following the business meeting there will be group study and discussion of the resolutions to be presented to the P-TA Annual Convention in Surrey in April.

Remember this is "Education Week". Support your P-TA.

## STATION THEATRE

THURS. - FRI. - SAT.  
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SUNDAY, 5 MARCH

### THE RAT RACE

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Gordon Scott - Sara Shane

TUESDAY, 14 MARCH

### THE RISE AND FALL OF LEGS DIAMOND

Ray Danton  
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## TO ENTERTAIN CORPORALS



La Lalonde, ventriliquist, will be featured at the floor show for the grand opening dance at the Corporals' Club, on Friday, March 4.

## Hazard Warning

Airforce authorities at Station Uplands have advised the civilian aircraft operators that they will not accept responsibility for fire protection of property other than that owned by the Dept. of National Defence.

A letter from the CO stated that while the airforce has such fire fighting equipment as crash tenders and medical facilities, these are adequate only to serve the needs of RCAF operations.

The letter did not say however, that other users of the airdrome would not be attended in the event of a crash or other emergency but it only served as a warning that officials of the station will not be held responsible.

## Classified Ads

### FOR SALE

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## WAS TRENCHARD WRONG?

After much cogitation and deep concentration, I'm approaching the subject with some hesitation. The topic requires such a delicate touch. Of this latest trade structure I'm not thinking much. Please, don't take me wrong, for that would be frightful. More money has always been wholly delightful. But what leaves me puzzled, and, with your permission, Would you kindly explain why I'm not a technician? What condition exists in my trade would you say, That excludes a gun plumber from being 3A? Is it something we're lacking, not physically fit? Or are we redundant, obsolescent to wit. Lancasters, Spitfires and numerous others, Regarded the armourers as truly blood brothers. All their guns and explosives were worked on with pride, Until with old age they just sickened and died. Like them are we feeble and too old to work, Laid low by fate: or, just a plain quirk. Of some of the brass who reside in high places. Are we outcasts as tradesmen and utter disgraces? In this day and age which is all automation, With machines built to order for each situation, And so many new trades coming into the service That just their initials make an armourer nervous. But, just for the heck of it let's get down to cases; The airforce exists to take armament places, I hate to be smug and I'd like to use tact, But what can you do when you're stating a fact? So sirs, a request and you'll grant it I think; With me raise your glass, to Lord Trenchard and drink, A man full of wisdom and wise in his way, If he'd been the driver we'd have got our 3A!

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### TOPS

Maternity Tops in attractive prints, plain velvet and arnells. Designed by "Precious Secret" who has discovered an exciting new way to give to more freedom. Sizes 12 to 18

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### LADIES' BLOUSES

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