

House Felled by Tree

The storm of last Thursday night was just a lot of windy weather to most people, but to the family of LAC Hank Belton it presented an entirely different situation.

Shortly after her husband had gone to work, Mrs. Belton had retired. A while later she heard a crash and the tinkle of broken glass.

Thinking that a window had blown in, she called her husband to inform him of this, and he immediately left for home.

Anticipating his arrival, Mrs. Belton turned on the porch light and noticed for the first time that the porch roof was

barring the porch door. She at once phoned a neighbor, Mr. Harley Glover, to ask his assistance in clearing the door.

The two men arrived at the house at the same time and saw that an old poplar tree which stood about 30 feet from the house had snapped off near the ground and had fallen on the house.

The angle at which the tree fell luckily caused it to collapse the porch before hitting the house. Had the porch not taken the brunt of the fall, it is possible that the complete house may have collapsed.

As it turned out, there were no casualties, although the house was damaged quite badly, and a few furnishings were shaken up.

Young Michael Belton, aged 4 months, showed great calm in the face of disaster. He slept through it all.

One Act Drama Festival Soon

On April 24, 25 and 26, the amateur dramatic clubs of Comox, Courtenay and Campbell River will compete at the CRA Hall in Courtenay in the Upper Island one-act drama festival.

The Astral Players after their hard work in "The Tea-house of the August Moon" are in rehearsal for A. P. Herbert's "Two Gentlemen of Soho." The play, in blank verse, much the same as Shakespeare might have written it, runs for about 30 minutes and is a delicious piece of nonsense poking fun at the English legion laws of the 1920's; a situation which could also very easily cover the B.C. Legion laws of today. Final castings will be made in the Station Theatre at 2000 hrs. on Friday 17, anyone interested please come along.

Courtenay will present "The Respectable Prostitute" and "Blow for Rusty"; Campbell River, "Devil Among the Skins" all of which were performed recently at the Courtenay "Studio Night." In addition, Campbell River will probably present "Voices of Desire," a play as yet unseen in this area.

The "Totem Times" extends its best wishes to the clubs and players competing in this festival and sincerely hopes that the RCAF will support them by attending on these nights.



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Driving Award Won

Station ME Personnel ADC's Safest Drivers

The Mobile Equipment personnel at this Station can be justifiably proud of their 1960 driving record. This acceptance of responsibility and care while driving has won them the Air Defence Command safe driving award.

With a combined User and ME section total of over 470,000 miles driven in 1960, this station recorded only three accidents. Two of these were chalked against user sections and happened within the station confines. The other was an off station accident in which the driver was assessed 15 per cent responsible.

Runner up to Station Comox was last year's winner,

Station Bagotville, with a total of four accidents in 421,000 miles.

The determining factors in the allotting of this award are far more complicated than just picking the station with the lowest number of accidents for total miles driven. In the final analysis, it is the ratio of the miles driven to the frequency of accidents, the average cost of accidents, and the percentage of responsibility on the part of the driver, that decides who will hold the trophy for the coming year.

The trophy will be presented later this month by Air Commodore G. G. Truscott, Commander 5 Air Division.

Golden Hawks Try New Tricks

When the Golden Hawks' aerobatic team gets back on the air show trail this year they may have a few tricks up their sleeves for aviation enthusiasts.

F/L Jim McCombe, the new team leader, is hopeful that the new routines may be worked out before the air shows start. "At present," stated McCombe, "most of our time is taken up training the four new pilots that will be with us this summer."

He pointed out however, that during the Golden Hawk displays, the audience on the ground is never left without action, since solo manoeuvres fill in between team displays.

Tests Due Soon

The first CF-104 for the RCAF is expected to come off the assembly line at Canadair (Montreal) in about a month, a couple of weeks ahead of the target date set in 1959.

It will not make its first flight in Canada however.

The first two CF-104s will be knocked down and flown in a transport plane to Burbank, Calif. for initial flight test by Lockheed Aircraft Co., designers of the aircraft.



F/O W. J. Latour, MSEO

POL School Closes Soon

By the end of March, the only petroleum, oils and lubricants handling school (POL) in the airforce will go out of existence.

After three years of operation, the school at Saskatoon, commanded by F/L Vic Olsen, has taught many tradesmen the proper care in handling all types of aviation fuel.

The airforce, along with most other air forces and airlines, is becoming increasingly conscious of the need for cleaner and "drier" aviation fuel with the advent of jet propulsion, stated the CO.

Officials have now decided that there is enough of a hard core of trained men and that the school could be closed and the men filtered out to the various units where the benefit of their training could be put to use.

While the school as such would cease to operate, a certain amount of similar training is to be continued in Camp Borden in a basic airman's course.

Squadron Closing Dates Set

Defence Minister Harkness has announced that 410 AW (F) Squadron at Uplands will be disbanded June 1.

Mr. Harkness also told Commons that the two squadrons at St. Hubert, 416 and 425, will be shut down. One in May and the other in October.

The other squadrons to be disbanded will be 433 AW (F) Squadron at North Bay, effective August 1.

Flying personnel will be absorbed mainly in other air defence projects such as the Bomarc-SAGE system. They will also be employed at Pine Tree Radar sites and additional gap-filler radar sites.

CANADIAN PLAYERS AT STATION COMOX



RECEPTION IN MESS following Canadian Players presentation of "The Tempest" gave station personnel a chance to meet in person the actors they had admired on stage earlier in the evening. This picture shows members of the cast chatting with F/O Al Suba and F/O Stevens of 409 Squadron

HAPPY BIRTHDAY "TOTEM TIMES"



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Editorials

'Tis that Time O' Year

By ST. PATRICK

Shure an' 'twas just a year ago, on the seventeenth of Oireland, that we had the pleasure o' offerin' our congratulations on the first edition o' the Totem Times; an' now, what with a year havin' gone by with all the speed of a bottle o' John Jamieson's at a wake o' the O'Learys, shure it's meself an' all the Little People are raisin' our glasses and are drinkin' a toast to ye on your furst birthday. An' a foine day it is to be havin' a birthday an' all.

Mayhap, what we've been after readin' in the columns o' your journal has been more blarney than fact; an' shure it's been more than once ye've been after havin' to apologize for your errors, an' mayhap there's been some errors ye've not apologized for never havin' known ye've made them. Shure and begorra, 'twould seem the proof readers are after havin' more than a hat-tippin' acquaintance with Mr. Jamieson, themselves. Still an' all, 'tis meself that's knowin' the trials and tribulations o' goin' to press, week after week, an' each edition bein' a fresh job, to be started from scratch, an' the Leprechauns makin' their mischief wi' the spellin' o' folks' names, an' all; we'll be drinkin' a toast to your birthday, an' wishin' ye many more.

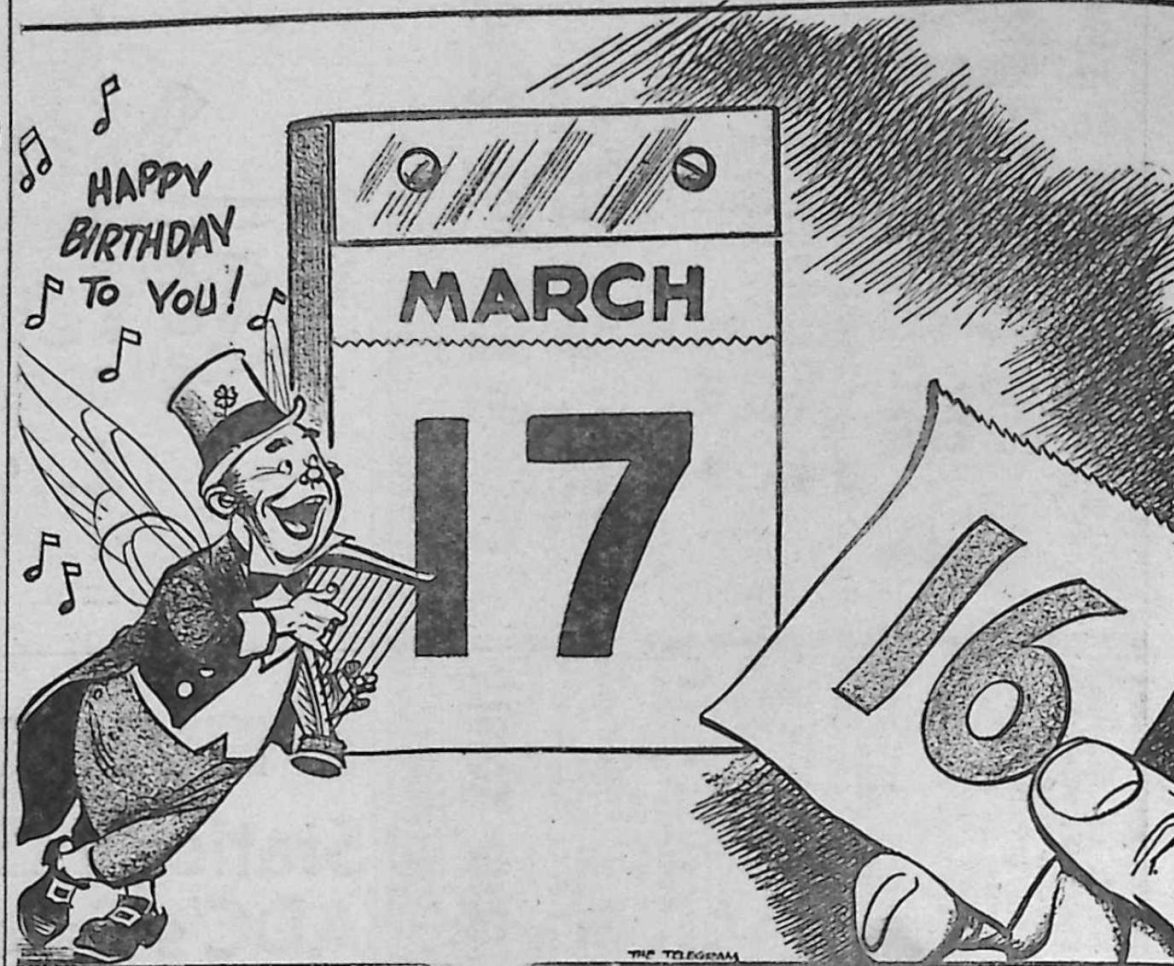
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From . . . B. T. Richardson, Editor, Toronto Telegram



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F/L J. F. BOURKE
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Thursday, 16 March - 7 p.m.
Friday, 17 March - 3:30 p.m.
Masses on above days: 10 a.m. - 4:35 p.m.

Saturday Special:
General Closing Instruction:
Men, Women, Children, Saturday 18 March 8:30 a.m.

8:00 a.m. - Mass
8:30 a.m. - Instruction
8:45 a.m. - Mass

The Missionary, Father Lambert, writes of the Mission at Station Comox: "A mission is a time of extraordinary graces and blessing which are obtained through our co-operation in attending the spiritual exercise, through prayer, and the receiving of the Word of God with profit."

To the men, women and children who have attended the Mission here at the base, may I say it was both edifying and inspirational to see so many making a genuine effort in making the Mission. God grant that in them, that others seeing them—may see God mirrored in them.

Lord make their soul, that men may see
To mirror Thee. Thy love,
Thy grace, Thyself alone.

Chapel Chimes

Nor note the glass to shine in me:
I, the mirror be, that shows Thy Face.

During a heavy bombing of Germany a statue of the Sacred Heart was badly smashed. Some American GI's endeavored to patch up the broken parts—unable to find the arms of the statue, they placed a sign on it: "I have no hands but yours."

To you, who have made the Mission may I say:
Christ has no hands, but your hands to do His work today.

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PTA Constitution Approved

Last Wednesday evening members of the Comox Airport P-TA gathered to discuss and approve their brand new constitution.

The meeting was chaired by Mrs. Cora Reeves. Approval was given to the constitution after a good deal of spirited discussion during which the members displayed a laudable concern for concise and unambiguous language in the document. The association now has 59 paid-up members but could use many more. Parents who belong to other P-TAs in the area and have other children in the PMQ school are

most welcome to attend the meetings of the airport association.

These monthly gatherings are an excellent means of informing yourself on matters educational, meeting your neighbours and enjoying an excellent cup of coffee and a sandwich. Come out next month on the 12th (Wednesday at 8 p.m.) and spend a stimulating evening with the PTA.

— TEEN TOWN NEWS —

On Friday, March 3 a very successful general meeting was held in the school. Plans for the coming Carnival were discussed, and it was decided that it will probably be during the Easter holidays. Proceeds from this Carnival will be used for a June Prom, for which we will have a band and all the trimmings.

We would like to thank Mrs. Wentzell for letting us use the school gym for our meeting and dance.

Malcolm Wilson, one of Teen Town's beloved members,

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Winning designers at the "Mad Hatters Ball" recently held by the Officers' Wives Club are pictured above. Standing are Beryl Goodwin and Nancy Fanning. Seated from left to right: Louise Straub, Mary Anne Jackson, Lee Ramsdale, Millie Bell, Beryl Fisher and Lois Spieran.

"Teahouse" Instant Success

By "Q"

The latest production of the Astral Players, "Teahouse of the August Moon," opened at the Station Theatre on Thursday, March 3, and met with instant success.

On opening night, a crowd of over 150 people saw a performance which, though marred by inadequate lighting due to an unfortunate incident during dress rehearsal and supported by a minimum of scenery, showed few of the awkward pauses and discontinuities common to amateur productions.

Acting as chorus, interpreter and general "tacker of scenes together," Bill Johnson gave a sparkling performance as Sakini, the Okinawan Factor, and brought to the part a spirit of confidence, heightening the audience identification with the action. He also proved as inventive outside the action as in, by ad-libbing his way through a stuck curtain episode which threatened the continuity of the play.

Al Burden, playing the part of the sign-and-wife conscious Colonel Purdy, made good use of the resonant voice heard on the Airforce Show over CFPC to blast an amazing volume of sound into the simple words "Sergeant Gregovitch!" Though appearing slightly nervous, Al managed a consistent interpretation of his part. At times in fact he managed to evoke flashes of the original colonel from the movie of the same name.

Perhaps the most appealing action of the play was Stan Shigehiro's portrayal of Mr. Oshira, an elderly Okinawan gentleman of venerable respect. Stan's creaking movements and sibilant voice lent a touch of authenticity to every scene in which he appeared.

Gordon Murdock as Captain Fisby, brought to his role an excellent stage manner and a fine use of gesture to aid in his portrayal. At times his

voice suffered in emotional content from a tendency to "project" to the audience, but in the scene in which he turns the Army psychiatrist to his own ends, he seemed to forget he was acting and carried off his lines so smoothly that the scene was a highlight of the play.

Lack of space curtails individual assessment for other players, but special mention should go to Lee Ramsdale, a demure Lotus Blossom; Jackie Hogarth, a most voluble Miss HigaJiga, and of course, Tom Fielding and Ray Walker for a judo throw never before seen in Sumo wrestling, but which threw Tom tail over teacup into the wings.

The scenery, previously mentioned as a minimum, was skilfully designed and executed by Bill Johnson and filled much more space by eye appeal than by its small bulk. Worthy of particular mention was a jeep, constructed for the occasion and so ingeniously designed as to appear ready for instant motion.

The general impression left by the production was of a polished integrated performance worth at least two small feathers in the cap of Ted Gaskell, the director.

Girl Guide Enrollment

An enrolment ceremony was held by the 2nd and 3rd Company Girl Guides on Monday, 13 March.

Being enrolled into the Guide Movement on this occasion were: Gail Newell, Linda Jones, Sandra Bourke, Regina Oelrich, Sheila MacKenzie, Dianne Shepherd, Sheila Casselton, Delyth Sheard, Leslie Cannings, Aynsley Robinson, Patsy Burley and Nancy Pinnell.

Also instated at this time were two lieutenants, Mrs. Del Brown and Mrs. Shirley Dickenson.

Following this, the District Commissioner, Mrs. Baird, presented Louise Woodrow with her Child Nurse badge, and Donna Hulsman her First Aid and Home Nursing badge.

The refreshment were served by six Guides working on their Hostess Badge. Serving the sandwiches, cakes and coffee were Louise Woodrow, Pat Keating, Maureen Adams, Carol Jones, Sandra Teale and Penny Hughes.

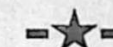
It has been decided that a Guide and Brownie Tea and Bake Sale will be held in the Airport School Auditorium from 2 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 18. The Brownies will be selling tickets on an Easter ham with the draw taking place at the sale.

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A child is killed by a car. Imagine if you can the child's moment of terror and anguish as he felt the crushing weight come upon him. Think of what the driver felt when he saw what he had done. Try to imagine the terrible shock suffered by the parents; think of how you would feel had it been your child.

Admittedly, children, especially little ones, are inclined to be careless. Part of their charm lies in their happy, carefree ways. As adults, we have a great responsibility toward all children, not just our own. We try to teach them the right things to do, but when they forget, momentarily, as they do, we must be watchful and not let their brief moment of carelessness result in death or crippling injury. This is a terrible penalty.

Those of us who live in RCAF Married Quarters have a particularly grave responsibility. Traffic in these areas is generally very rigidly controlled but even so, every year many children are injured, some fatally, in these same PMQ areas. Obviously children are allowed to play on or near roadways. There have been numerous reports of near accidents, which could have had disastrous results, being averted by careful drivers who had the ability to foresee a dangerous situation in the making and take preventative measures.

It is generally true that the younger children living in Married Quarters have no real appreciation of correct safety behaviour such as would be mandatory for a child brought up in a busy neighbourhood where fast through traffic is a common and understood feature of their environment. To illustrate, let us review the background of a tragic accident which happened recently.

(Reprinted from the 4 (F) Wing "Schwartzwald Flieger")

The "Smiths" lived in a medium-sized town; they had one child aged four. Mrs. Smith did her best to teach him the right things; to respect other people's property and come when he was called. He could play in the yard, or any other yard, if he was invited — but he could never play on the road. Even the edge of the road was a bad place to be. All in all Mrs. Smith did a fine job in providing safety education. A year later, a baby sister arrived. Mother made it quite clear to Junior that he was the big brother now and he must help train little sister when she started playing out-of-doors. As time passed, the boy remembered his lessons and passed his training on to little sister. She soon understood that play boundaries could not be crossed with out paying a penalty — and this sort of training increased as the children grew older. By the time big brother was seven years old and little sister just over three they were justifiable proud of them. Then father received a transfer where they were going to live in Married Quarters — and so they did for just over two years.

For a time Mrs. Smith insisted on the same pattern of living, demanding proper behaviour and safe conduct at all times; but there was no real community effort and the general indifferent behaviour pattern was too strong. She fussed about the children wandering anywhere they pleased, even playing on the roads. She spoke to her husband about it but he said not to worry; the traffic is well controlled. When she spoke to her son he argued: "All the others play where they like, on



Mother Talk

By "Mommy"

RADIO AND TELEVISION: "He doesn't read a book a month since we got television," a mother complained not long ago.

"How much did he read before that?" she was asked. The mother looked thoughtful. "About a book a month," she admitted.

Remember this when you find yourself blaming radio and TV for the fact that your child doesn't do his homework, doesn't help around the house, doesn't do anything constructive. Don't blame the radio or television until you figure out how well your child would be doing these other things without such entertainment. Radio and TV are probably here in our culture to stay. It will get us further, if we are not satisfied with the kind of programs now available and with their effect on our children, to try to see to it that better programs are presented, than simply complain and talk about how much better life was before we had them.

Intensive radio listening does not begin with many children till they are around six years of age and from then on it is an increasing favorite. By seven it is part of the daily diet of many, who have definite favorite programs which they do not like to miss. Between eight and ten most have a regular schedule of shows which they listen to, and in some, radio (or TV) takes up as many hours as parents permit. Television watching starts even earlier than radio listening and it is even more of a full-time pastime with many.

Many parents have found that television has certainly as many good points as bad. In addition to its real educational value, it has an entertainment value that can scarcely be equalled. Many mothers admit that it is the best baby sitter in the world — especially on a rainy day, or when there is company, or in that dangerous hour just before dinner time. Brothers and sisters whose every look at each other may be the pre-

lude to a quarrel can often spend peaceable minutes together before the magic screen (if they are not fighting to see their favorite program!).

If television watching seems to be cutting too deeply into free time and taking the place of outdoor play or more creative activity, remember that you still have the upper hand(?). You CAN make rules: only so much time to be spent in watching; or only certain programs allowed. (Let's hope that parents will take the time to check on the shows their children are seeing and really choose with them). Or even, no television at all unless certain minimum home requirements are carried out. If television is banned it should be banned for the entire household, parents included. Far better to have the set disconnected for a week which involves the entire family until the air is cleared. Then planning for the future will be more readily accepted and tempers will be under control. Also, the very worst programs, like the worst comics, CAN be forbidden.

If your child seems to be using television or radio unwisely, step in with a little regulation, rather than throwing up your hands and damning them entirely.

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Uplands... "FIRE SAFETY PLAQUE TO UPLANDS"

Station Uplands has topped all other military installations in Canada for fire safety, education and performance. Defence Minister Douglas Harkness accepted the International Fire Protection Association's Grand Plaque for military bases across Canada and the Howard Green Trophy, for all government departments, on behalf of the base at a ceremony held on March 13.

North Bay... "NEW C Ops O"

W/C Eric G. Smith, DFC, CD, has been appointed Chief Operations Officer at Station North Bay. W/C Smith served as a pilot during World War II with the Second Tactical Air Force in France where he won the DFC.

Edmonton... MEDICAL UNIT FLIES TO COLD LAKE

Twenty members of Edmonton's 4001 Medical Unit (Reserve) flew to Station Cold Lake last weekend for a briefing on new developments in aero-medicine. The party, led by W/C C. A. Ross included doctors, nurses, medical assistants and associates. S/L S. G. Paletz, staff doctor for medical services with 18 Wing headquarters, was also in the party.

Ottawa... CHEST VICE-CHAIRMAN

W/C William M. Lee, director of public relations for the RCAF, has been appointed campaign vice-chairman for public relations in the 1962 Ottawa Community Chest Campaign. For the second consecutive year, W/C Lee will be heading 20 committees concerned with the planning of public relations activities for the forthcoming Community Chest campaign in October.

Winnipeg... GROUND RULES

Training Command has had more men killed on the road in the last two years and is making an intensified attack on the traffic safety problem. It held a three-day conference — first of its kind in the air force — at which service police NCO's and unit safety officers heard lectures by traffic and safety experts.

Gander... FLYING CLUB AT GANDER

A flying club for many, long a dream for many, is closer to becoming a reality. Two weeks ago initial effort for such a club was reported and now 25 persons have indicated their interest. Sgt. Hew-

itson of the Station at Gander, who started to organize a club a short time ago, advised that he has the full backing of the Commanding Officer, S/L Earl Fuller. Letters have been written to the Dept. of Transport with regard to medical requirements and pilot subsidy.

Halifax... CEPE OFFICER TALKS ON SPACE

F/L Sweetman of CEPE Station Quebec gave an illustrated talk on his experiences on Ascension Island, at Kings College. He told of his experiences of living on a small tropical island for an extended period of time, and spoke on the work which was done by the RCAF in connection with the problems related to space travel and more particularly the problem by space vehicles into the earth's atmosphere.

Namoo... 435 IN TEST

Two crews from 435 Squadron, Station Namoo, recently took part in a large-scale exercise a few miles north of Quebec City. The two ATC crews left Edmonton Feb. 19 and returned Feb. 24. They carried heavy equipment in one plane and paratroopers in the other. The Exercise, dubbed "Bel Air", was highlighted by the landing of a full company of paratroopers to oust an "enemy" force, secretly landed in Canada by submarine.

Goose Bay... CARNIVAL TIME IN ARCTIC

From "torch running" opening ceremony to a gala closing dance, Station Goose Bay is astir with activity during Carnival Week. What started as a morale-boosting competition has developed over the years into full-scale contests between the Officers' Mess, Sergeants' Mess, Corporals' Club, Labrador Club (Airmen) and the Squirrel Club (Civilians). Proud of their recreational facilities, Station residents claim it's easier to take part in a wider variety of activities here than any other place — especially any city — in which they have lived. Most people are asking for extended terms of service at this gay metropolis of the north.

Ottawa... SURGEON APPOINTED

G/C G. D. Caldwell has been appointed Deputy Surgeon General of Canadian Forces with the rank of Air Commodore. He succeeds A/C A. A. G. Corbet who retired this month.

Moose Jaw... USAF MEN VISIT STATION

Ten USAF officers and their wives have been invited to spend a weekend with officers at Station Moose Jaw. The party has a full weekend planned for them. RCAF officers made a similar trip to the United States last fall. The officers are from the NORAD station at Opheim, Montana.

Review of Station History During Year of "Times"

by ROBERT A. CLARKE

As this is the first anniversary issue of the Totem Times, it would be a good time to reflect upon some of the many accomplishments of the station since that first publication. These accomplishments have resulted not only in honor and glory, but in complete face-lifting of the appearance of the station itself.

The highest award was the Stenhardt Trophy. This annual award is presented to the ADC station that has achieved the highest standard of overall efficiency during the previous year.

This trophy was enough by itself to crow about, but shortly afterwards, the annual shooting match at WPU in Cold Lake was held and the ground crew from Station Comox won the award for being

the most efficient in the meet. Other awards were won by the station in sports. Comox may take just pride in their teams for winning the Tri-Service and 5 Air Div. championships in football, volleyball, bowling and curling. The Station hockey club hasn't won any championships, but was the only representative of the Comox Valley in the Island league. Considering that they had no ice on which to practice, they owe no apologies for their endeavors.

As for face-lifting, the credit must go to the CE section and their contractors. A new combined mess, the finest in Canada, became a welcome addition to the permanent buildings of the station.

One hundred new married quarters were opened, old barracks blocks were renovated and others were torn down.

The station theatre had a new fence compound built so that it became exiled from the restricted area. This has given dependents freer access to the theatre, beauty and barber shops and the post office.

A new branch of the Bank of Commerce was also opened in this building.

In the same area an island was built to accommodate the barriers and the Service Police building was completely renovated.

Other renovations, though not completed as yet, include the dry canteen and snack bar, the headquarters building, and many others.

Runways have been lengthened and widened and reinforced. A TACAN was installed to provide better navigation aids.

The year of the Totem Times has also seen the departure of old faces and the arrival of new ones. The station was honored by visits by many distinguished persons such as the Minister of National Defence, AOC of Maritime Air Command, AOC of Pacific Coast Command, the AOC of NORAD, OC of 25 NORAD Div. and many others.



Korean Ace to Air Div

Distinguished Flying Cross winner during the Korean War, F/L Ernest A. Glover, has been posted from Air Defence Command Headquarters at St. Hubert to Station Chatham.

A staff officer at Air Defence Command Headquarters for the past three years, F/L Glover will carry out a refresher flying course on Sabre fighter aircraft at Chatham before transferring to No. 1 Air Division where he will resume operational flying duties.

F/L Glover distinguished himself during the Korean War when he was credited with shooting down three MIG fighters, and damaging two others.

He chalked up his record in a period of four months while flying with the United States Air Force. He was one of 21 RCAF pilots to see action in Korea.

He also won the American Distinguished Flying Cross during his brief period in the Korean conflict.

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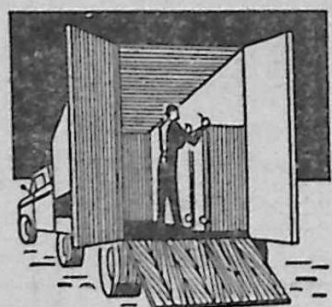
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FLYCON FLASHES

by FROMMAGE

The recently held Stag was one of the better arranged affairs that we have had, and congratulations must be forwarded to F/L Doug Ewart and FS "Duke" Schiller and their very capable entertainment committee. The food served was fit for a "king" and I know of one king that really enjoyed it, plus a host of out-of-town guests.

Results of the T/A exams were released last Friday and as predicted, the local "Weepers" did their fair share of business followed by another stag at the Elk Hotel for LAC Gord Barker. Gordy, one of our top-notch GCA techs, left this week for 6RD. Really gonna miss you Gord as good tech's are mighty scarce these days.

Cpl. "Pat" Patterson is talking of starting his own government these days. Understand that Mr. "B" thinks Pat's car is worth more than he does. They may be called Social Credit but they want cash this time Pat.

Everybody is anxiously awaiting the results of the return match between FS "Crisco" Kerwin and the M.O. "Crisco" the only one that I know of that can gain weight on a diet. Guess who washes floors this weekend?

AFHQ testing grounds (GCA at Comox that is) has another new feature installed recently. It's a new left of "on course" strobe that eliminates take-off confusions and also our famous blind spot. (360 degrees around the scope). The evaluation checks appear to be quite favourable and if approved should be another first for Comox.

The passing away of LAC James Anton recently was felt quite heavily by Flying Control at Comox as Jim had worked here for a couple of years prior to his fatal accident. A party led by F/L Jack Turner attended the funeral at Victoria to pay their last respects on behalf of Station Comox and extend our sympathy to the family of the de-

ceased. Flycon section are all getting in shape for another operational weekend coming up. So let's all pull together and make this another Flycon success.

Well folks that's all for this issue and we close with this we bit.

To our Officers we always appear so humble. To our Flights we give the occasional rumble. To our Sergeants we really appear to be nuts. To our Airmen we have lots of guts. But we love you all, we say in no shame. The Flycon Corporal's in their own little domain.

AIRWOMEN'S NEWS

by LAW Anonymous

The Airwomen would like to wish the "Totem Times" a very happy first anniversary, for success in the past and all the best in the future. On behalf of the airwomen and myself, LAW Anonymous, it has been a pleasure to write a column for the past year.

A going away party was held in the lounge on March the 9th for Dot Wilson, Marilyn Burritt and Claire Stark. Guests attending were F/L Phillips and F/O Carson. The girls were presented with mugs and a very enjoyable time was had by all.

The Airwomen welcome Marie Deralche, from 1 Wing. Lorna Anderson, met observer, sure is observing the clouds these days with that transfer overseas.

Pat Powderly is on leave in Peterborough, Ontario. Lou Stoney has gone home to Alberta and also plans spending a few days at Station Cold Lake on her leave. Lorna Anderson spent a few days in Edmonton with her sister.

Sgt. Jessie Easton is in hospital at Naden. Best wishes from the girls Jessie. Everyone is glad to see Mable Clayton feeling fine after spending a few days in the Station hospital.

King Neptune's Divers

A spearfishing contest was held at Denman Island, Sunday, March 5, but due to the weather the success was questionable. However, about seven divers did show up and the 15 pound Ling Cod landed by Graham Filiman proved to be the winner.

Incidentally, the club party which was planned for March 17 has been postponed till the end of the month.

A special dance was held recently in Victoria to raise funds to aid Dave Dorman's widow. The dance was quite successful and over a thousand dollars was collected. Our club feels that we too, should help out by asking for contributions from club members or others wishing to contribute. We feel that this cause is just, since Dave Dorman carried no insurance. So be prepared to make your contribution when the hat is passed around.

Special posters have been distributed by the club to all the sports shops and resorts in the area for the purpose of familiarizing the public with divers' flag and its meaning.

Now that the warm season is again approaching, boaters, fishermen, and skin divers alike will be at large in the waters. To prevent any accidents involving skin divers, please know what the divers' flag looks like, watch for it when cruising and keep at least 100 feet radius away from it when sighted. For happy relationship between boaters and skin divers the co-operation of all is needed.

OBSERVING OPERATIONS

By HANK

A little excitement during the past week when LAC Hank Belton was forced to move his place of residence. Reason? A tree fell on his house, but he seems well settled into his new house now.

Cpl. Nick Lussier is still waiting word to move into his new trailer. He has been so anxious lately that he jumps every time a phone rings or that he hears a car.

At long last LAC Doug Burr has decided he'll try wheels again. The last unsuccessful attempt was over seven months ago.

The boss, F/L Carnahan, seems to be in about three places at once these days in preparation for the "really big shoo" due to come off next weekend. If his present efforts are indicative of what is to come, then we sure are going to be busy.

That's it for now, except we'd like to say well done to F/O Tom Fielding on the first anniversary of this paper, and keep up the good work in the future.

See ya!

MARINE KNOTS

by The Ancient Mariner

This is it! The first anniversary edition of the paper with the most from the sunshine coast. Sunshine? We of the Marine Section would like to say congratulations on a job well done and thanks to all concerned for the opportunity of having our news and views placed before all interested parties.

On looking over our log books for the past year I have picked at random a few incidents that will give some indication of the many varied duties and activities performed by the men of our section.

7 APRIL 60—M-872 towed a Seabee aircraft from ashore at Royston where it had been forced by high winds.

15 MAY 60—M-848 took in

tow at Denman Island a cabin cruiser that had lost its propeller and completed tow to Comox.

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DEMON DOIN'S

by GOSH

If either one of this column's faithful readers has any intention of driving in the state of California he had better make certain he makes all right hand turns from the right hand lane; ask F/L Bill Johnson, Air RO/Actor who got it straight from one of Dan Matthews' boys. Says Bill, by way of excuse, "But I wasn't sure where the highway turned off." Quoth the cop, "Next time ask a policeman." F/L Gordie Fisher won't agree with the advice, however. Claims the last time he missed his turnoff on a freeway and decided to go to the next corner to turn, he couldn't get reversed until two states and three tanks of gas later. . . . The undercover line has it that last hockey game between Station and Nanaimo, there was some difference of opinion as to which team LAC Dixie Walker was playing for; final vote gave the decision to Nanaimo. . . . Stories are legion about the nervous expectant father, but when LAC Jim Cochrane took Gwen to St. Joe's at 0200 the other morning the nurse had to wake him up 45 minutes later with the news that it was a daughter.

Honest Ed Hudson, the general manager of Hudson Used Cars, Inc., has gotten rid of the Vanguard and this week's Super Special is an Austin. Can't understand that combination, as the Austin is a 40 while Ed is at least 52. By the way, have you heard about the good S/L Hudson's posting? It's to Chatham, news-hawking the Golden Hawks. . . . Sgt. Bernie Jackson is suffering the very dregs of utter, bitter defeat; he's being out-bowled by his wife. . . . Had planned a sentence or two on the Trial and Evaluation of LAC Bruce Hunter's new Modification, but Bruce begged on bended knee, not to print, so we'll put it in the classified files (There, that should put me in Bruce's good graces). . . . Our flying Adjutant F/L Hugh Standing, had to go all the way to Tofino the other day to get crabs, offered to cut me in on the deal, but we couldn't raise the scratch. . . . LAC Wilf "Spook" Salter, the photo-type, takes the high road on his upcoming transfer to Langar. . . . And while we're in this, the most negative part of the squadron, let's note that Station Photo has borrowed our LAC Charlie Blair. . . . W/C McCarthy brought his crew of wheels back from southern climes with the news that it's to be Crew 6 for San Dee; now all that has to be done is to decide who will be in Crew 6. We understand that the journey was a complete success in Double-Wubbleyou Fink was unable to fulfill his commitments. . . . Cpl. Fern "Boo Boo" Oullette going to the dogs in more ways than one — looking for his release on psychiatric grounds, running around the section making like Huckleberry Hound. . . . Talk about the Army putting horses on the payroll, we've gone them one better. According to Shaughnessy Military Hospital records, the F/L D. Grice on our nominal roll has been dead for years. Still, it makes sense; what better man for the Security Officer job? Who could be more close mouthed? . . . With half the clerical

staff being transferred within the next month or so, a big bash is scheduled in the House of the Shores. If they expect to sell the joint after that gang gets through with it, they're more optimistic than the Hebrews. . . . Not too sure what mkae of car F/O Radcliffe, our Intelligent Officer, drove to the mug party for Casey Schmidt the other nite, but the one he drove home was a Bentley. . . . LAC Ken Tappay has been begging off work early on Fridays, saying he wants to visit his cousin in Vancouver. We've heard of kessin' cousins before, but judging from the pictures on his locker door, this is the first time it has seemed worth while. . . . Be ye all informed that all squadron members are to hold uncommitted the 14th of April; an Operation having been scheduled for that date. The squadron is expected to turn out full strength in the Station Drill Hall, dress will be hip boots and tin hats, bottles will be carried at the high port; Civil Defence authorities have been warned. . . . The Demons Dance.

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COMM-CHATTER

By ROBERT A. CLARKE

First of all, since this is the anniversary issue of the Totem Times, I would like to pay tribute to our editor.

Just how Tom Fielding does all the things he does and still retains his sanity, is more than I can imagine. As a producer of "Teahouse of the August Moon", he had to scrape up everything from chopsticks and a goat to getas and Geisha costumes. He acted a part, helped set up staging, arranged the party, the publicity and the advertising. During the day he is going to high school to complete matriculation.

It was he who started the ball rolling to get this paper going, and mighty battles he had to wage too. On top of that he has to crack the whip over us tardy writers, gather the material, edit it, coax the advertisers, etc. etc. etc. Somewhere in between these duties he finds time to work at his job as Operations Officer and even finds time to fly once in a while.

Well, back to work. Hughie McQueen has just returned from UHF course in Clinton and is now relaxing on leave. Cpl. Janssen is also on leave as well as Cpl. Anderson. Sgt. MacArthur is hoping to return from his leave as a brand new Corporal. Who isn't Mac?

On the Ground side, the lads are also taking advantage of the few remaining weeks to the fiscal year to take their leave. Fraser made out his be-lated pass the other day. Our Cpl. Anderson returned from his leave at this writing (14 Mar.). Freddy Lupul, Cpl. Pon-tano and Sgt. Shearer are all slated to go between now and the end of March.

Read the other day that Mississippi had a tornado. Guess our boss, F/L Dunn isn't so much better off than we are after all. Still wouldn't mind trading places, though. See you next issue.

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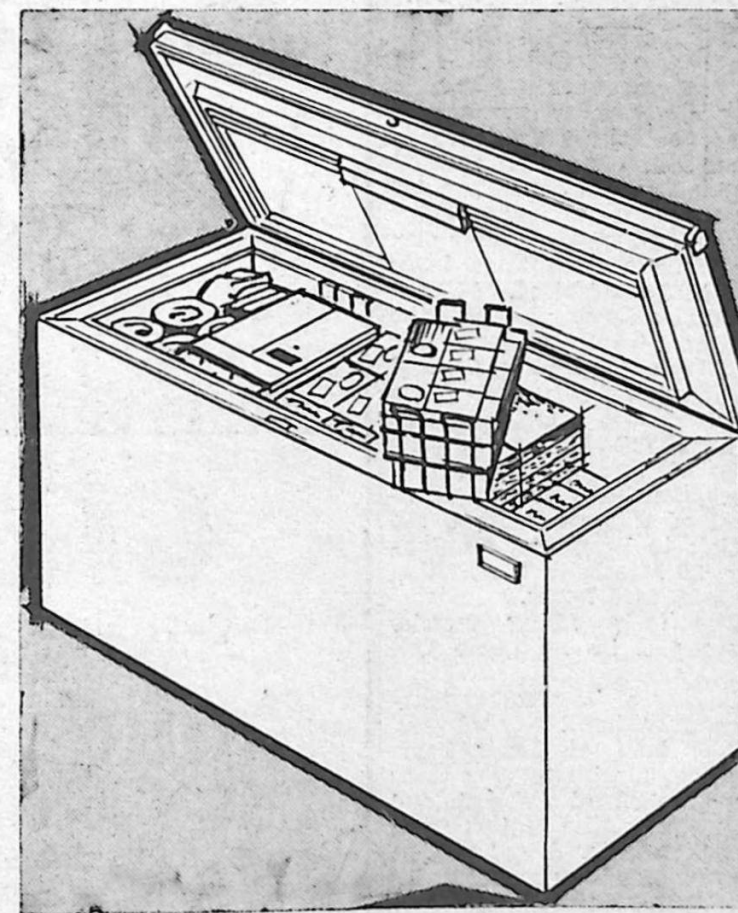
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Navy Wins Lauraine Trophy

A smooth working squad from Naden defeated five other service teams to take the Lauraine Trophy and the Tri-Service Basketball championship.

The Lauraine Invitational Basketball Tournament held at Station Comox, was also the site of two other basketball competitions being held simultaneously.

In addition to the primary trophy, the 5 Air Div and Tri-Service championships were at stake.

Originally it had been hoped that there would be eight teams represented in the tournaments, but due to transportation problems and weather conditions, the only teams to take the floor were: HMCS Naden (Navy), Camp Chilliwack (Army), Blaine AFB (USAF) and the three Airforce teams, Holberg, Sea Island and Comox.

The tournament was played as an elimination with a consolation round. Sea Island and Holberg dropped out in the first round, thereby advancing both teams to the consolation round.

The first game on Friday saw Blaine meet Chilliwack. The Army jumped into an early lead, but by the second

half the USAF squad came back strongly. In the dying minutes of the game the Army sank a single point which gave them the game, 47-46.

In the next game, Holberg met Sea Island in a 5 Air Div game to fill in the schedule. Sea Island won handily with a final score of 62-28.

The late game between Comox and Navy saw Navy leading 20-19 at the end of the first half. During the last half, the Navy came more to life to finish the game with 51 points while Comox had 40.

Saturday morning in the consolation semi-finals, Blaine met and defeated Sea Island 49-31, and Comox easily beat Holberg 69-25.

That afternoon in the semi-finals of the championship round, Sea Island and Chilliwack started the proceedings. The Army team started off well with a good lead in the first half, but Sea Island found the hoop with deadly shots in the final half. Kendall of Sea Island found the range for a total of 26 points to lead his team to victory, with 53-46 for the Airforce squad.

In the other semi final game Navy ran up a score of 93 over Holberg with 25.

In the consolation finals on Saturday night Comox met the USAF boys from Blaine. Comox ran up an early lead and were 10 points ahead at the half. The second half was very close, with a one point spread only seconds before the final buzzer and a foul shot for the Americans. The shot was then missed and the Comox boys won 48-45.

In the finals for the Lauraine trophy, the smooth moving team from Naden kept the Sea Island top scorers, Kendall and Cooke, well occupied to win 57-39.

At a presentation following the tourney, S/L B. MacKenzie presented the Lauraine Trophy to the Navy team and the consolation prize to Station Comox.

The next day, Comox and Sea Island met to decide the 5 Air Div Championship with the Sea Island squad winning 46-39. This gave them the nod to represent the Airforce in the Tri-Service tournament.

In this game, the Navy's powerhouse again decided who the champions were, as they downed the Airforce and also won the Tri-Service Trophy.

Soccer Team in Semi-Finals

Despite the absence of its column in this paper the soccer team has been quite active in the past few weeks. In league matches Courtenay were beaten 6-0 and second-place Tyees managed to beat us for the first time by a 1-0 margin. Then followed the first round of the Fraser Cup with the Station team hosts to Elk Falls United. With a strong following wind the Station team reached the halfway mark leading 4-0 and in the second period, with the wind against them, managed to hold Elk Falls to three goals thus winning 4-3. They now meet Courtenay in the semi-final of this competition, the match to be played on Sunday, 26 March on the Station field at 1400 hours.

Due to a flying exercise there will be no game this Sunday.

There will be a soccer tournament during Easter weekend to be held at Lewis Park, Courtenay, with all-star clubs from the Island and mainland competing. The Station team has been entered and will be supplemented by members of the Courtenay team. Other teams include Port '54, Tyees and Elk Falls United from our league, the latter having many of their ranks. From Victoria come the Saanich Thistles, from Powell River come Westview and Frames, and last but

Station Hockey Team in Island Finals

The Station hockey team, licking their wounds from a defeat by Nanaimo in the first game of the semi-finals, bounced back last Sunday and defeated the Ramblers on a last-minute spectacular goal.

The Airmen, who have been playing short handed since mid-season, were back to full strength for the game.

Don Wheatcroft of the Ramblers put his team out front in the first period by scoring two fast goals assisted by Lipsett and Darby. Bob Denault came to the rescue of the airmen by scoring on a pass from Tom Slimming. Lip-

sett scored again for Nanaimo to end the period with the score 3-1 for the Ramblers.

The turning point in the game came in the second period as the Ramblers had trouble getting organized. The airmen took advantage of this situation as Denault scored un-assisted to narrow the lead.

Comox turned on the heat in the final period, as Morby, Hunter and Slimming each scored a goal within 90 seconds to give the airmen a 5-3 lead.

This action sparked the Ramblers who retaliated with two goals, by Lipsett and Wheatcroft to tie the score.

The final goal for the airmen was scored by Don McLeod to give the Station team the victory.

By winning this game, the Station boys have tied the series at one game each, and the deciding game to determine which team plays in the finals will be played Sunday, March 19, in Nanaimo.

As a reminder to all fans that next Sunday may be the last chance to see the team in action unless they win, and go on to the finals. If they do, look for the details and schedule of the games in our next sports column.

Basketball Squad Downs Cowichan

Station Comox hosted Cowichan in a home and home total point series game of the Senior "B" Upper Island basketball finals held last Sunday.

The Comox boys downed the Cowichan team by a score of 64-43, to go into the last game with a 21-point lead.

The high scorers for Comox were Terry Law and Joe Jochemich with 10 points apiece.

The next game, to be played at Cowichan, will be on Saturday, 25 March.

The winner of this series will play a team from the interior for the provincial tournament.

by no means least come Sliammon Braves, last year's tournament winners. The first round will be on Good Friday, the semi-finals on Saturday and the final on Easter Sunday. This tournament will provide some of the best soccer seen in the area and should amply repay a visit on any or all of the three days.

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Mountain Trout

Trout here, trout there, trout everywhere. That's Vancouver Island in late March and early April. While trout fishing is good practically the year round it approaches the fantastic during these early spring months.

I had been hearing fabulous stories over the past few weeks of how the trout were literally throwing themselves into the arms of the fishermen, striking at anything and everything thrown into the water. I had listened to and believed similar stories in the past but on checking had found the trout fishing to be only good, certainly not nearly so fantastic as these narrators had implied. This is why I kept putting off checking these recent stories, but they kept coming from such varied sources that finally I could stand it no longer.

It was while Wes McDavid, Richard, (my 13-year-old son) and I were having a midnight snack of left-over chicken, after having seen a good movie at the local theatre, that I finally succumbed to the temptation to investigate. I knew I couldn't possibly have slept after such a meal, so I broached the suggestion that we head for Buttle Lake, a distance of approximately 50 miles. We would reach there in about one and one half hours and we could sleep in the back of the station wagon. Needless to say this appealed to Richard, and Wes needed very little coaxing. So, half an hour after talking my wife into packing a lunch, we were on our way.

Vancouver Island is interlaced with logging roads which the lumber companies have generously opened to the general public on weekends and after five o'clock on week-day evenings. These roads, penetrating deeply into the interior of the island, provide access to otherwise inaccessible lakes and streams. They are kept in excellent condition to accommodate the huge logging trucks which thunder along them during the daylight hours from Monday to Friday.

To reach Buttle from our present location (Comox), you drive north for 29 miles along the Island Highway over excellent paved road to Campbell River (a famous salmon fishing spot). There, you turn off this highway, continue past the John Hart Dam and climb up into the Beaufort Range of mountains, still on a smooth paved highway. You then turn

south onto an excellent gravel road, wide, and smooth as a table top. Eventually you arrive at a crossroad. To the right and left entrances of this crossroad are signs clearly marked "Private Road—Trespassers will be Prosecuted". You turn right onto this road and continue on past several more signs threatening dire consequences to anyone daring to drive their car along its smooth length.

At this time these signs mean very little, but don't attempt to drive over them during the weekday daylight hours. Aside from being subject to a heavy fine, you take the risk of being crushed by a heavily laden logging truck which may suddenly come careening around one of the many turns. Little patrolling is necessary to keep Island residents off these roads on other than evenings and weekends since the danger is only too apparent to them. As for visiting fishermen, the only thing I can suggest is that you check with the local tourist bureau before proceeding on the roads. The tourist bureau staff is in constant touch with the various lumber companies and are always aware of which roads are and are not open to the general public, and when.

Also they can provide you with excellent maps showing all logging roads and trails, which will assist you no end and speed you on your way. Occasionally, while travelling on these roads, through dense forests, in green valleys completely surrounded by towering mountains, you may suddenly find yourself in the midst of a maze of intersecting roads where the uninitiated would be completely confused if a map were not available.

As we continued on towards Buttle Lake, more than a half dozen times I had to brake quickly to avoid deer bounding across the road, startled by the sound of my approaching car. They would pause momentarily at the edge of the tree line, clearly visible in the bright moonlight, then turn slowly and bounding over fallen trees, disappear into the dense bush.

Bulldozers, in an effort to cut a path through the thick forest, have demonstrated

their brutal heartless strength by shoving huge tree trunks aside and against the frightened cowering trees at the edge of the dense bush.

The road-bed is built up by tons and tons of stone and gravel shaved from the base of mountains which have been trimmed to allow a narrow ribbon of road to be built, thereby permitting minute but persevering man to crawl around its base in order to reach more of the thousands of evergreen trees needed to sate the appetites of the nearby pulp and paper mills.

The road continues on over a bog straddled by a sturdy but hastily erected bridge, then on again to cling to the base of another towering mountain, appearing as though it were exerting a superhuman effort to hang on to it to keep its feet from dragging in the icy blue waters of the glistening lake 20 feet below.

Here and there deep ridges are cut in the roadway by fast flowing snow-fed rivulets in their attempt to find their own level after leaving the uppermost peaks of the towering mountains. Careful driving now is essential for these tiny streams have cut away huge chunks of earth on the right edge of the road-way and to slip a front wheel into one could mean being dragged over the steep sloping bank into the depths of a cold, blue mountain lake. To the left of the roadway, boulders are strewn everywhere. Loosened from the mountainside on our left by the workings of weather and frost, they have crashed onto the roadway and have been swept aside just enough to allow the traffic to zig-zag on its way.

Finally the road swings away from the lake for a short time to travel over undulating land swept clean of once magnificent evergreens. Now all that remains are thousands of burned scorched stumps. These ghostly fire-blackened stubbles march stolidly in thousands across hill and dale to finally disappear into low hanging clouds and mist far up the sides of distant mountain slopes.

Driving along this section of the road one experiences a feeling of sadness at the utter desolation wrought as a result of the gluttonous needs of modern civilization.

However, the Department of Lands and Forests and the lumber companies have not forsaken this land. They have ensured perpetuity of their lumber assets by transplanting thousands and thousands of tiny evergreen trees between these scorched stumps ensuring an even more stalwart growth of timber for future generations. Thanks to the foresight of a few thinking men perpetuity of our forests is guaranteed.

Gradually you swing back to the edge of what appears to be

another huge lake only to find it's still the Campbell—but now it's called Upper Campbell. Even after having travelled seemingly dozens of miles you are still beside the same lake, for the damming of this great watershed has resulted in a 12-15 mile lake, which is joined to another 20-25 mile lake (Buttle) by a short narrows.

Eventually you arrive at the narrows between Buttle and Upper Campbell Lakes. You could throw a rock across these narrows from island to island until you reached the opposite side about half a mile away. This is the spot where fabulous stories are related of the bounty of trout.

It's too early (or is it too late) to begin fishing now. In any event my watch reveals it's 2:30 a.m., so we decide to climb into our sleeping bags to await daybreak. In spite of thoughts of thousands of leaping, bouncing trout which keep rushing through my mind, I'm soon fast asleep.

Finally daylight awakens me, but, where is the sun? It is shining on the eastern slopes of the mountains to the west of us across the lake, but only on the uppermost peaks. A quick glance around will reveal why. To the east of us are towering mountain peaks. It will be quite a while before the sun climbs high enough to shine its direct light on we mere mortals lying at the base of this mountain.

I tried to convince myself that the stories I had heard were grossly exaggerated. To the devil with it. Why did I let myself be talked into going to all this trouble? Now it's cold and I'm sleepy, and I'm too comfortable to move. But—perhaps—just this once—the stories may be true. Boy—just think what I may be missing. I'll bet the trout are just lying there waiting for my worm. I can just see a lively cut-throat breaking water at the tip of my rod.

By this time I'm halfway down the slope still pulling on my jacket to keep out the cold, my rod and worms in one hand while trying to keep my balance on the steep slope.

My son and Wes, the lazy lugs, are still curled up in their sleeping bags heads tucked in against the cold mountain air which easily penetrates into the interior of the car.

I tried a few casts using lures but realizing that worms fished deep were best at this time of the year, I soon changed to worms and spinners with plenty of weight to get down close to the bottom. After an unsuccessful half hour, hunger drove me back to the car for a cup of hot coffee from the thermos bottles my wife had so thoughtfully

filled and for a few egg sandwiches. This finally awakened my partners and while we were satisfying the "inner man" we watched two boats pull into the narrows. As luck would have it the two people in one of the boats turned out to be friends of ours from the Comox Air Base. We needed no more than a hint and were out in the narrows in their boat with them.

Trout were rising all around us, some were just pushing their snouts above the surface while others were rollicking and bouncing across the top of the water. I had never seen so many trout in such a small area in all my life.

"Fish deep" they advised, and, "still fishing is the quickest and surest way of nailing trout today." They were right. My bait had no sooner reached bottom when I felt a tug on my line. I let him nibble a few times and then set the hook sharply. I brought up a lovely little one pound rainbow. The four of us were too busy for the next half hour hauling in trout to bother with small talk. Rainbow, Dolly Varden, and Cut-throat, with the emphasis on Rainbow and Dolly Varden. I soon tired of this and decided to try to even the odds by spin casting with spoons. It took a little longer this way but I succeeded in landing my limit.

A glance at my watch revealed it was just over one and one half hours since we had started fishing and here my day's fishing was over.

I was pleased when our friends invited us over to a nearby island where they had set up camp in the shelter of a low mound which surrounded the campsite on three sides. A north wind had come up and I was chilled to the bone. A roaring fire was soon blazing where we could warm our hands and backs. We gulped a bottle of ale to wash down the bacon and eggs my friends had graciously prepared for us.

As I glanced around the campsite at the mess of beautiful trout lying on the grassy slope near the entrance to the tent, at the blazing campfire, at my circle of friends, and, at my son, with the light of the outdoorsman shining in his tucked in brown eyes, I felt a warm contentment. I gazed across the icy cold mountain lake at the snow-covered upper slopes of the Beaufort Range and I was once more convinced that life was good. We must have our fast pace, our busy cities, our horn blowing and our continual rat-race, these are the costs of civilization. But this, this is what dreams are made of.

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of honour for her sister and wore a ballerina length deep blue delustered satin dress. The dress had a bell-shaped skirt, the neckline was boat necked that went into a deep V in the back accented with a button. She wore a matching hat and carried a bouquet of white carnations.

Miss Geraldine Iles, youngest sister of the bride was the flower girl. She wore a blue and white gown with matching hat. She carried a basket of pink baby carnations.

LAC Doug Reich was best man. Richard Iles, brother of the bride, and Roy MacDonald ushered.

A wedding reception was held at the home of the bride at Balmoral Park. Mr. D. Reich assisted the mothers of the principals in receiving the guests.

Mauve and yellow crocuses and a three-tiered wedding cake centered the bride's table. Father J. F. Bourque proposed the toast to the bride. For their trip to the lower mainland, Mrs. Abel chose a beige suit with green accessories. She wore a corsage of little princess roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Abel will make their home in Comox.

Mrs. C. Abel, mother of the groom, came from Toronto, Ontario, for the wedding.

Station Band

With the formation of a new brass and reed band at Station Comox, perhaps a few points of interest pertaining to band music and bandmen should be brought out.

We have all heard that music can soothe the savage heart, but our objective on the Station is perhaps being a little more subtle and leaving the juke boxes and such to do the soothing of the local savage hearts.

Military music as we know it now first came to being in the British Army, with the Officers' Mess paying for the keep of the band. This eventually was sponsored by the service as a whole, but even still the Officers' Mess there pays for some of the band's expenses.

We at Comox have a surprising amount of musical talent that we know of and some perhaps that we don't know about. Since our band here is a voluntary group, we try to make it as interesting as we can for the members, and yet keep the band operational in spite of the shift work and other hazards that a band sergeant is faced with.

For the personnel who have always wanted to play an instrument, but had never learned, you would be surprised at the number of people that do learn music at a time when many people think "it's too late now, I should have paid more attention to learning music in school." In many cases, an adult can grasp much more readily the fundamentals of music mainly because there is then a real desire for this. It does require some honest effort, giving you all the more pleasure when you do make some real progress.

As your knowledge of music increases, so will your appreciation of the music that you hear. You will have some idea of the time and effort that is required to make such a performance possible, and making you more acquainted with music and its performers.

Lastly, the learning of a musical instrument and the playing of it has many desirable "side effects". It tends to make the individual more alert, for that is one of the important requisites of a musician.

Irish Ambassadors in RCAF



Shamrocks and Leprechauns being a bit scarce in this country, two pretty colleens, recently arrived from Ireland, attempt to persuade the Air Force that there's a definite place for the Irish in the RCAF. The smiling Irish eyes belong to Pilot Officers Pam Jackson (left) and Nora Martin, both nurses, who joined the RCAF in December 1960, in London, England, and are now taking the Officers Training Course at RCAF Station Centralia, Ont.



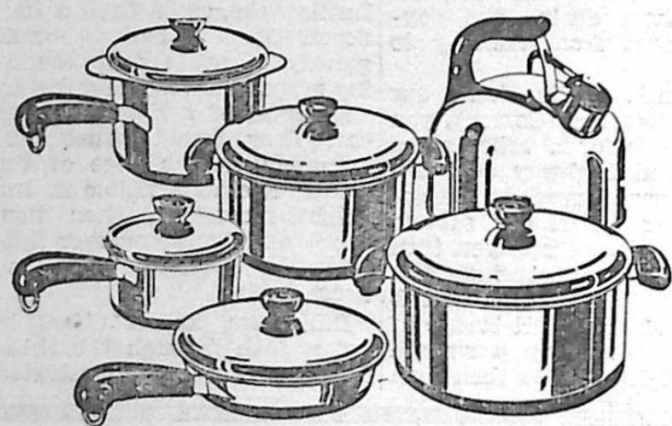
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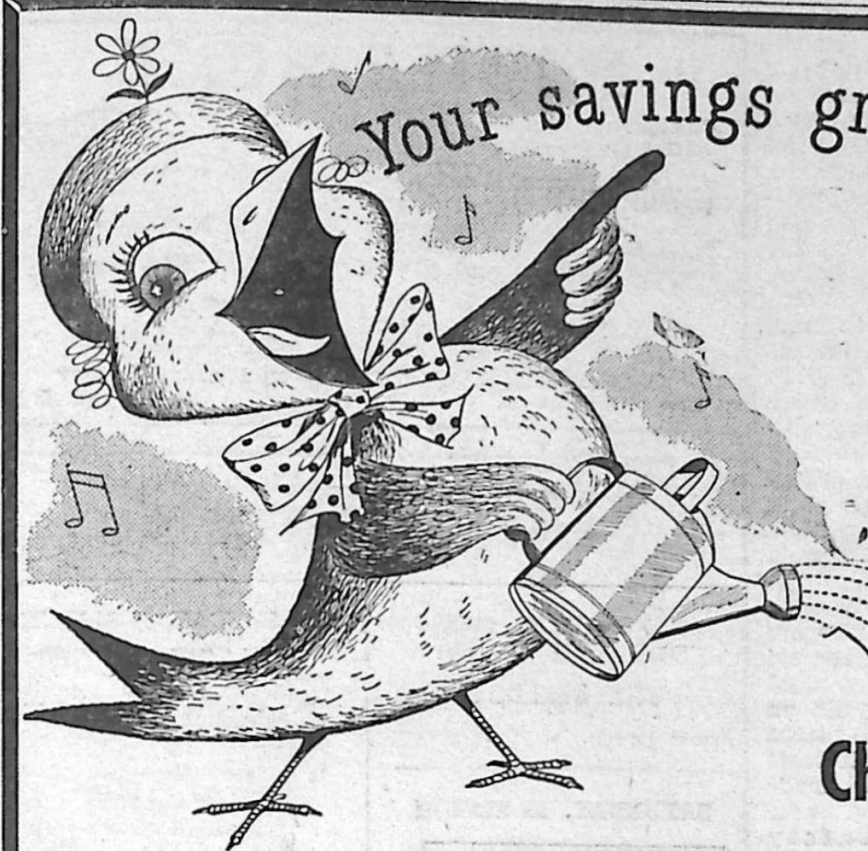


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12 JULY 60—M-872 proceeded to shipside of CPR cruise ship "Princess Louise" where an elderly lady, suffering from a heart attack, was transferred aboard and returned to Comox with oxygen being administered en route.

20 AUGUST 60—Comox Day

celebration. Marine section rowing crew decisively beats Navy for HMCS Quadra trophy in challenge rowing race issued by Navy (this is duty?). Not quite but certainly a pleasure.

18 SEPT. 60—M-848 proceeded to scene of sunken fish boat "Outlaw" at a point 1½ miles west of Savary Island. The captain of the sunken vessel was transferred to Lund and M-848 returned to Comox.

6 JAN. 61—M-848 engaged in torpedo retrieving and Sarah exercise in co-operation with 407 Squadron.

15 FEB. 61—M-872 transported a ground search party of 13 and landed them by small boat on the beach at Texada Island.

Spring is fast approaching and all the fishing buffs are thinking about getting the old boat ready so here is a word to the wise. This year an RCMP constable will be placed aboard one of our crash boats and checks will be made on small boats in the area for careless handling, safety equipment, etc. All information regarding various precautions, offences, penalties, and safety equipment for different sizes of boats, etc., etc., can be found in a booklet called "Safety Afloat" for owners of small boats, issued by the Department of Transport and available at the local RCMP office. So play it safe gentlemen.

Promotion day is also nearly here and as in past years the Marine Section has a large selection of crying towels on hand that will be made available at a very modest fee. The usual 10% off to Senior NCOs, of course.

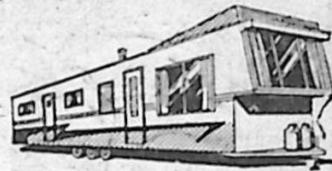
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