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Western Area Skilled Driving Competition

Comox Corporal Placed Second in Sea Island Contest

Congratulations to Corporal John Harshey who won second place at the area finals of the 15th Annual Safe and Skilled Driving Competitions held at Sea Island last week for RCAF units in western Canada. Corporal Harshey is one of seven western finalists who will go to Ottawa later this month to take part in the RCAF National Safe and Skilled Driving Competition.

The original elimination rodeo was held at Comox two weeks ago in driving rain and wind gusting up to 40 miles an hour. To be eligible to compete, the drivers had to have twelve months of accident and infraction free driving. This rodeo consisted of nine separate exercises: a written test on safety and driving regulations, a practical vehicle defect test and a practical driving skill test which was broken down into seven exercises, all of which had to be completed within eight minutes, and were designed to test the skill and control of the operator. These ranged from backing a vehicle through three barrels set 30 feet apart to driving a truck through an offset alley of four barriers with a mere eight inch clearance.

In spite of wet mirrors and flapping canvas to add to this nerve wracking experience, Corporal Harshey scored 341 points out of a possible 375. In the western division finals he achieved 371.5 out of a possible 400 points. We know it

goes without saying that Comox will be well represented in Ottawa.

Skunked!

The USAF 328th Field Maintenance Squadron recently experienced actual emergency fallout conditions when the barracks area was penetrated by a *Mustela putorius*, commonly known as a skunk.

An alert airman, noticing the invader and concerned for the security of the base, went forth to do battle in the dark of night, clad only in shorts.

In the subsequent engagement, which see-sawed back and forth across the squadron's homeland, the enemy, with dastardly disregard for the Geneva Convention, loosed a terrific gas attack.

The airman stood his ground and upheld the honor of the American G.I. by defeating the enemy in mortal combat.

As dawn broke, the first sergeant of the unit emerged from his shelter, in which the fumes of battle still lingered, to view the casualties and set up a burial detail.

In his position on the upwind side, a panorama of the battlefield was visible, and he could see the flag of the squadron waving gently over the cold, still body of the foe.

As for the victor, he will have to be entered on the Honor Roll only as an unknown, unwanted and untouchable



Squadron Leader D. B. King, DFC, DFM, CD

New Appointment For Comox Officer

Having occupied the position of Senior Flying Control Officer at Comox for the past four years, Squadron Leader Daniel King has now been appointed as officer commanding the air force's Rescue Co-ordination Centre in Vancouver.

R.A.F. to Pay Visit Here

Welcome to Comox to the crews of the two Shackleton Maritime Patrol Bombers who will arrive here around 4 p.m. tomorrow afternoon for exchange duties with 407 Sqn.

The aircraft are from the RAF's No. 19 Maritime Bomb-



LITTLE LEAGUE TROPHY WINNERS stand between LAC Fenton (chairman of the league) and WO Kolisnek of PMQ Council who presented the prizes. Left to right: Teddy Liscombe, Ted Frank, and Lloyd Aikenhead, captain of the team holding trophy for Dermot Derby (absent).

Little League Softball Season Comes to Close

With seventy games to their credit, the seventy-five players of the Little League closed play last week after a most successful season.

In the final game in which the All-Stars of the losing teams beat the Yankee champs, the trophies and crests were presented to the Yankee play-

ers and the trophy winners by WO1 Kolisnek on behalf of the PMQ Council. Trophies were won by Teddy Liscombe for the best pitching, Dermot Derby for being the most improved player, and Ted Frank for being the most valuable player.

We'll see you on the diamond next season!

Navy Has Cleanest Bottoms

Canada leads both the U.S. and Britain in measures adopted to protect its warship hulls from corrosion and marine growth, according to Pacific Naval Laboratory officials at Esquimalt.

Defence research board scientists were the first to develop an effective system of "cathartic protection" which, combined with tough, vinyl-based paints, cut corrosion and foul-

ing below the waterline to a minimum.

Starting about five years ago the RCN adopted a system of two-year docking for all its vessels. Besides allowing its ships to stay at sea four times as long, a bramble-free hull enables them to sail better.

In developing cathartic protection for RCN ships, Canadian scientists simply developed and improved upon a basic system first suggested in 1825 by Sir Humphry Davy.

Pool Closure Is Overdue

by CAL SMITH

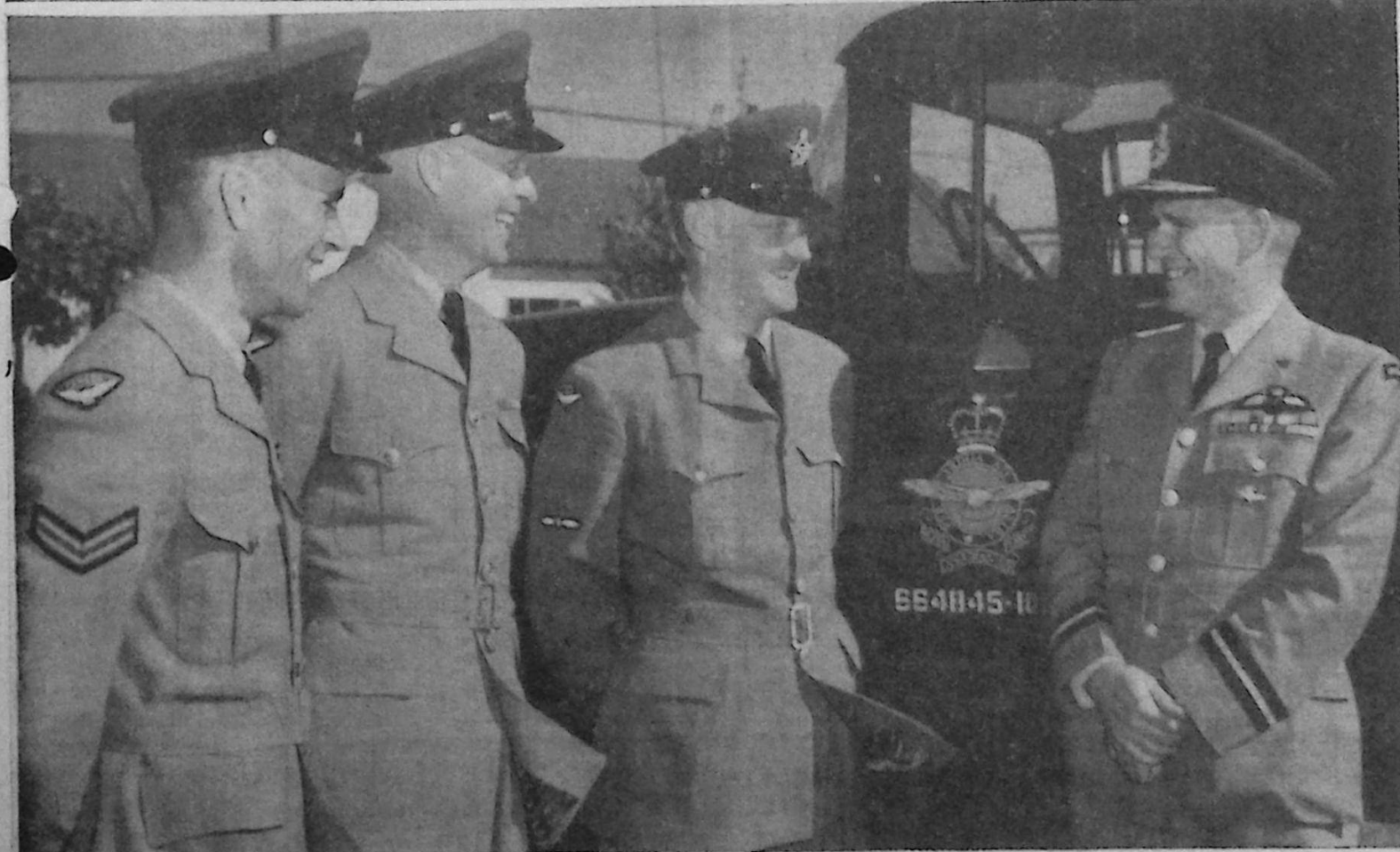
A group of interested sportsmen and resort owners will meet in Courtenay this evening to raise a petition for improvement of spawning conditions on the Puntledge River.

In view of this concern about the salmon, it would appear that fisheries officer McIndoe's decision to close the tye pool is anything but premature. And in spite of the contentions of a few people, there are less salmon reaching the Puntledge river this year, than ever before.

In 1957, the fisheries department was so concerned over the number of salmon that were reaching the river that a full scale investigation into the matter was made. However, nothing was done and now, four years later, there are less than half the salmon on the spawning beds than in the lowest year previous.

Concerned over the almost complete absence of salmon on the spawning beds, Mr. McIndoe closed the pool to conserve as many fish as possible, and while the few taken by sports fishermen may not seem to be worth worrying about; a few from a few leaves zero!

But, if his action has done nothing else, it has brought a deplorable situation into the light, where it will be examined closely; and maybe, if we're lucky, something will be done to revive the huge runs of 11,000 that have filled the river as recently as 10 years ago.



TOP RCAF DRIVERS COMPETE — Air Commodore G. G. Truscott, OBE, C.D. (right), congratulates the top three drivers after the Western Area finals of the air force's 15th annual Safe and Skilled Driving Competition at Station Sea

Island, on September 7. Left to right are: Corporal R. A. Wyman, Merrickville, Ont., who placed third; Corporal J. L. R. Harshey, Lashburn, Sask. (second); and Leading Aircraftman D. S. Robertson, Vancouver (first).



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Editorials

... On pigs and juvenile delinquency

When we survey our children's literature, I wonder how many of us ever reflect on the nursery rhymes of our "salad days" or ever question the accuracy of the unknown raconteur who voiced the social problems of his time in ditty. In this enlightened age, poets tend to pursue the story they attempt to a logical conclusion, as is exemplified in the following modernized version of the saga of the social offender—one Thomas—who purloined a pig from a neighbor and was dealt with clemency according to his deed:

Tom, Tom the piper's son
Stole a pig and away did run,
The pig was missed, and Tom was hissed
And sent to a psychiatrist.

This gentleman, whose name was Squeers
Allayed the young delinquent's fears,
And penned a note of even date
To the police court magistrate,
Which ran: "The little mind is split
But we must make the best of it;
Subliminal desire for pork
Is often much too hard to balk,
And in some cases may extrude
The sense of moral turpitude;
Complete dispersal of the former
Should metagrobolize the Trauma."

The beak, at once impressed by this
Superbly phrased analysis,
Dispatched to a Remedial Home
The adolescent gastronome.

And here were pigs of various size
And various breeds in painted sties,
And every day from earliest dawn
The boy was given bits of brawn
And chitterlings and sausage meat
And rather more than he could eat.
However hard he tried to cram
Of roasted pork and Wiltshire ham;
Till he forgot that ancient sin
For which the cops had pulled him in,
And nothing in his mind was left
Associating "pigs" with "theft."

The moral of this tale is plain:
He never stole a pig again;
And if he had not found some lead
And coshed a bank clerk on the head
When he returned refreshed and gay
From his delightful time of play,
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Sunday School will commence on Sunday, Sept. 24 at the usual hours at Wallace Gardens School.

WHAT IS SUCCESS?

He has achieved success, who has lived well, laughed often, and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem, or a rescued soul; who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty, or failed to express it; who has always looked for the best in others and given the best he had; whose life was an inspiration and whose memory a benediction. —Selected

CATHOLIC CHAPEL

Father Fredric Bourque
SUNDAY MASS: 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Daily Mass Schedule: Monday through Friday 4:05 p.m. Saturday: 8:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 7-8 p.m. Senior Choir Rehearsals: Wednesday 7 p.m.

Junior Choir Rehearsals: Saturday 6:30 p.m. Catechism Classes: Wallace Gardens School—Monday at 4:00 p.m.

In our last message in Chapel Chimes we commented on the necessity of more members in our Senior Choir... so many of our members have been transferred in recent months. Since our last message we have heard of the transfers of Frank Seberski and Tony Bherer. Then we found out that people just don't want to be transferred from Comox. Everyone seems to consider, as does the undersigned, that RCAF Comox is the ideal station. AFRO's will be amended in consequence, and members of the Choir will expect to remain at Comox indefinitely. The Postings and Careers people were up to the "V's" just before the order was changed, hence F/S Vachon must not expect to be transferred, and

here's hoping for several new members at the rehearsals, Wednesday evening, 7 p.m. sharp.

Our next immediate parish problem is that of the Catechism classes for the youngsters. Classes were started this last Monday, at the Wallace Gardens School. The Catechism teachers this year are as follows:

Grade Seven: Father Tunner. Grade Six: Mrs. JS Topping. Grade Five: Mrs. WR Johnson. Grade Four: Mrs. A. Bradbury. Grade Three: Mrs. FJ Vachon. Grade Two: Mrs. G. Remus. Grade One: Mrs. G. Sheard. Kindergarten: Mrs. RG McNabb.

We are certainly grateful to all these volunteers who are giving their time and energy to a most worthwhile project.

We are convinced that this group of Catechists are making our Catechism set-up one of the finest in the Service. We say this after having heard the comments of the Nuns who directed the Summer School, their comments prove the results in the past have been excellent.

We are also grateful to the principal and staff of the Wallace Gardens School, who for several years now, have co-operated so nicely to allow the use of their class rooms at four p.m. every Monday.

As for the Superior Classes, Grades 8 and up through high school, this year we are working it somewhat different than last year. Grades Eight, Nine, Ten will comprise three distinct groups under the leadership of three Specialists, F/S Dyrdal, LAC Azel, and LAC

Sundby. These three groups will follow specialized instruction somewhat different from the Catechism routine that they have already studied for several years. Students of Grades 10-11-12-13 will form a Discussion Club with the help of their leader, LAC A. Bradbury.

Shall We Join the Ladies?

In spite of an unwillingness to put themselves in print the following bulletin was finally extracted from the barrack block with the most attractive occupants on the station. (If they won't talk they must be plotting something horrendous!!).

New faces—Comox welcomes LAW Eichen, LAW Ryder, AW Roy, and AW Cuillerier. Nice to have you girls.

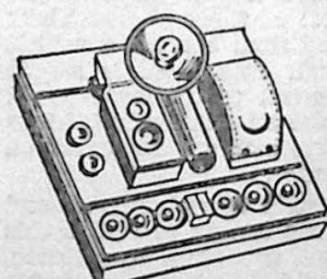
Farewell—to the Dick Tracy of BB6, LAW Pat Powderly, who was whisked off overseas last week.

Get well soon—to LAW's Norma Howard and Helen Stuart who are presently in the hospital.

Chit Chat—Cupid paid a visit to BB6 recently. Congratulations to Norma Howard who has taken the first step in tying the knot. A certain fellow has been transferred—therefore a certain gal is back in circulation again. Here's luck to Muriel Ayers who has reverted to "the good old days" again. It's back to school for Muriel. Look out fellows! The women will be bowling you over in more ways than one this year. Watch the bowling alleys.

That's all for this week. —The Seeing Eye.

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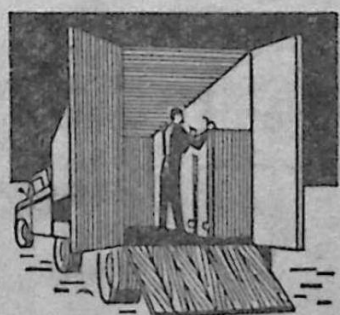
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CARNIVAL QUEEN — Surrounded by runners up, is Airwoman Wendy Wengzynowski, who was elected Queen of the Summer Carnival held recently at Parent. Susanne Harvey (three years old), who was elected Junior Queen, is the daughter of Squadron Leader and Mrs. Alex Harvey.

Carnival Time at Parent

The quiet of this northern Quebec wilderness was shattered recently by the sharp crack of a pistol shot as the third annual RCAF Station Parent Summer Carnival got under way.

Wing Commander S. C. Tugwell, commanding officer of the Pinetree Line Radar base fired the shot to officially open the two-day event.

Highlight of the celebration was an hour-long parade through the station area. A number of the imaginative floats carried pretty airwomen, each was vying for the "Queen of the Summer Festival" crown. From the eight entrants in the beauty contest, Leading Airwoman Wendy Wengzynowski of Hythe, Alta., was chosen queen and reigned over the two-day festivities.

The winning entry in the parade was a miniature replica of an ancient river steamboat complete with a paddlewheel.

The most humorous float depicted a scene from Little Abner's "Dogpatch". One of the props of this entry was a live baby goat who ignored the more than 300 spectators lining the route and calmly munched away at everything in sight.

The parade and beauty con-

Your Fire Dept. and You

FIRE FIGHTING IN THE HOME

Fire fighting is a hazardous undertaking, and as far as possible should be done by fire fighters who are trained in the operation of fire extinguishment, and who have the proper equipment for the work. Therefore, the first consideration in fire protection for the home is to learn to call the fire department and to teach every member of the family the importance of doing this upon the outbreak of fire. On RCAF Station Comox, this is done either by phoning 333 or using one of the pull boxes in the PMQ area; there is one located on each street.

The next consideration is to have suitable fire extinguishing equipment in the home. The best type for the average home is that which will need little or no special skill to use effectively and will not need special maintenance attention.

Most homes have running water in the basement, kitchen, bathroom and many have one or more outside hose faucets for a garden hose. A pail located in the basement, a saucpan or dishpan in the kitchen, or a pail or basin in the bathroom makes a very effective device with which to extinguish small fires. Garden hose, connected to an outside faucet, can be used on grass fires, or on roofs that are ignited by sparks from chimneys. Garden hose is also one of the most effective extinguishers for fires inside buildings, and adapters are available to permit attachment of the hose to any faucet in the house. A large size insecticide sprayer, discharging water, also makes an effective fire extinguishing device.

Some fires in the home cannot be fought effectively with water. These are principally fires with grease and flammable liquids, and generally occur in the kitchen or furnace room. The throwing of water into a pan or other utensil containing burning fat or grease results in a large burst of flame and the splattering of scalding grease over the room and its occupants. The first step of fighting a fire of this kind is to shut off the gas, oil flow or to turn off the elec-

tricity, or remove the vessel from the stove. A quick method of extinguishing burning grease in a pot or pan is to place a cover over it, using a long-handled fork to put the cover on, or if the grease has spread, use an extinguisher. A handful of ordinary baking soda thrown across the blaze in such a manner as to form a cloud of soda dust, will quickly snuff out the fire. Never use flour or any other similar material, as this, instead of putting the fire out will result in a dust explosion.

Where a fire is in a closet, bed room or any enclosed area, closing the door will sometimes smother it, at any rate will confine the fire to one room and slow down the spread of the fire and assist the occupants to escape.

If you are in doubt as to the best extinguisher for your home, ask the Fire Chief. However, no matter what extinguisher you intend to use, there are several aspects of home fire fighting that must be remembered.

First: Keep cool, panic is the most deadly killer in an emergency.

Second: Get everyone out of danger, human bodies cannot be replaced.

Third: Call the fire department. If using a telephone, give clear direction. If using an alarm box, have someone stay beside it to direct the Fire Department when they arrive.

REMEMBER—in the event of fire—occupants of PMQs must first contact the Courtenay Telephone Operator, ask for 900 and when the RCAF operator answers ask for Local 333.

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Teen Town Bulletin

Annual General Organizational Meeting

Date: Friday, September 22
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: Airport School Gym
Purpose: To elect both executive and adult committees.

Cut this out and keep it so you don't forget. We'll see you all there! (If time permits after, a short record hop is being planned).

Parents Please Note

The teenagers are relying on your support this year to help Teen Town be a bigger and better success than last year. At least four adults are needed to serve on the adult committee and more especially, a nucleus of some twenty to thirty couples from whom we may draw chaperones for the teenage dances. Last year heavy demands were made on a few willing individuals to perform this job; so Mom and Dad—please help us out. We appreciate having you at our functions and we're sure you'll enjoy yourselves too.

Future Plans

Planned are at least two semi-formal dances with a band and all the trimmings. The first will probably take place around Christmas and the other

is slated for sometime in May or early June. A carnival similar to the one held last April will be organized to swing out shortly after Easter and will guarantee fun and games for the whole family. Those of you who attended these functions last year will look forward to making them into successes again.

Bowling will start to roll around the first of October, as soon as the alleys are re-finished. We are sure that after last year's very close race all the Teen Town bowlers will be eager to get back to the alleys to prove who the good bowlers really are. We are also eager to try to better our 6th place standing in the cross Canada Teen Town Bowling Championship.

Dollars and Cents-wise

We were pretty stable during the last year and hope to continue to be on the black side of the ledger during 61/62. Gained—\$109 as the result of our carnival — \$30 to \$40 from each dance throughout the year after all bills were paid. Spent—\$75 for a Hi-Fi set, plus the cost of ten of the top

Seen last year at Teen Town

Seen Last Year at Teen Town (Anon)

President Gary Bourque, presiding.
Phil and Gordy Barber, pushing the carnival.

recorded hits each month to ensure the success of our record-hops.

Message from the Retiring Chairman

"I should like to say a sincere 'thank you' to the Recreation Association and to the members of Teen Town for their help in completing a successful and happy year.

We are about to launch our fourth year of activities and for the benefit of newcomers I would like to acquaint them with our organization.

In order to become a member, you must be between the ages of 13-19, Air Force personnel or dependent, and willing to adhere to all Teen Town regulations which are printed on the back of each Teen Town membership card.

Teen Town was started on this station four years ago by a door-to-door canvas carried out by the teenagers themselves (principally by Stephen Chantelon, Marilyn McCulloch and Linda Aikenhead). Our constitution was drawn up and approved by the Commanding Officer at this time. This is a self-supporting organization in which operating funds are made by membership dues and small admission charges at the dances. To date, the organization owns a record player, a large collection of records and some decorating equipment.

The credit for all this belongs to the teen-agers themselves. I have had the pleasure of being their chairman for two years, and during this time there has been little or no trouble connected with a Teen Town member. From a parent's viewpoint, I feel that some of the more important years of my daughter's life have been spent among the finest teenagers I know.

We are only lacking in one area — co-operation from the parents. Teen Town cannot operate without an adult committee consisting of chairman, chairman of recreation and chairman of sports. Please turn out to our executive meeting on September 22nd, and help organize a new executive for 61/62.

On behalf of everyone in Teen Town and myself I would like, finally, to say a special thanks to those parents who gave so willingly and so generously of their time when they were asked to help us, namely: Mr. and Mrs. Derbert, Mr. and Mrs. Comar, Mrs. Bradbury, Mrs. Doyon, Mr. and Mrs. Stites and Mr. and Mrs. Hunter.

—Mrs. W. Aikenhead.



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Bowling

The 1961-62 bowling season should commence by the second week in October. At present the alleys are in the process of being reconditioned. We also hope to do away with the water buckets and towels with the installation of hand blowers.

It was erroneously stated in the Rec Bulletin that the mixed league would be bowling on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings, and the service league on Monday and Tuesday evenings. This is not definite, due to the fact that we do not know how many teams will be playing.

Interested teams are advised to get their entry forms in early to enable a meeting to be called. These forms are available at the Rec Office.

Keir Kitchen, dancing.
Frances Hoult, decorating.
13 year old girls, scheming.
13 year old boys, running.
Ray Burgess, clowning.
Bob Bradbury, selling pop.
Treasurer Faye Derbert, trying to stretch our budget.
Marge Knight, looking pretty.
All the boys looking at Marge.
16 year old boys, scheming.
16 year old girls, running.
Secretary Marny McCulloch, taking notes.
Glen Franzen, bowling strikes.
George Vilven, bowling.
Mrs. Aikenhead, working at all Teen Town functions.
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DEMON DOIN'S

By GOSH, Mk II

The big news this week of course is the start of the flag football season. Electrical went out in all their glory with a hand picked team, three weeks of practice and lots of confidence and got very soundly thumped by the Tele-Arm team. More practice chaps!

Talking about confidence, Vic Smith left for Clinton last week and in the same wreck that was airborne by the chopper on Air Force Day. T-com seems to have one airman who doesn't believe in the law of gravity. He found it quite simple to get hurt falling down a well known set of stairs and then managed to do the same thing falling up them. Less practice needed here.

I understand F/S Motters-head now gets his beer money betting against Lyons, Lions? Much easier than crib. With the Battle of Britain parade coming up an increase in leg, back, and other sundry ailments are showing up in all sections. Me don't want to go either.

LAC Croteau, who has been flipping a coin for the last six months to see whether he would buy a car or get married just lost the toss. Oh well, who wants a new car. A tragic loss to 407 and numerous Courtenay merchants: the coho have left the area. Planned Periodics have started in earnest with a bit of empire building: Sgt. Grandage now has the assistance of Sgt. McClelland, one crib board and a deck of cards. If this works the way most new sections work soon there will be four Corporals, twelve

LAC's and a partridge in a pear tree.

No names — no pack drill, but a recent minor entry in a servicing L-14 read "Altitude retention on nav's seat U/S." The rectification column read "Nav's seat adjusted." Plastic surgery I suppose?

Our 407 bombing crew has returned from GW and seem to be pretty confident that if they didn't win the competition they came very close. With three days of bad weather before they got to drop a bomb (wet inside and out), when they got the chance they did their drops and fled for Comox as fast as they could. We hope to have the final results next issue.

Cpl's Lyall and Tilley have returned from their prospecting trip with, quote, "a thousand dollars worth of valuable experience but very little gold" — total cost for food for the month \$21. I guess they don't eat much.

The ARMAMENT section has been badly hit by transfers lately, four mug parties in two weeks. Please slow down, the people are beginning to look a little peaked. Sgt. Orioux got himself a 40 pound tyre and as previously reported has decided he likes fishing. Cpl. Frank also weighed in a 40 pounder last week but was a little dubious about the method. Cpl. Hasiuk said he was using. A 16 ounce ball-pein hammer and smack-o.

Our own Ken Tappay has been at it again. Seems he went to a football game recently with a cow bell (metal, not Calgary type) at the end of the national anthem the bell was given a lusty ring—the clapper flew out and hit another fan a rather surprising blow which caused a few unkind words to be exchanged.

If you have noticed a few more naval types around than usual it is a small switch in tactics. Some of our aircrew are going on boat rides to see what the aircraft look like coming in and the navy types are finding out how the ships look on a (urp, pass the cup) low pass. The C.O. took Commodore Landymore, G/C Burgess and Jock Groundwater on for 36 holes of golf on Sunday. I don't know who won but the tall heavy set chap with the bleeding feet and distraught expression is still the C.O.

S/L Red Hazlett was given a rather roaring send-off at the mess and a much needed spare part for his car was presented (a pre-shaped, dented fender). Thinking back to S/L Hazlett's arrival, the first informal meeting was at an armament party where he was mistaken for a new armament tech. And a fond farewell from the rest of the techs! Next week the AOC 19 Group RAF Coastal Command—AVM Bowden will be arriving with two Shackletons for a training and liaison visit.


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Flight Line Musings

by J.W.L.

The time has rolled around once more for another edition of the Times. Ye Editor's going crazy trying to round up contributors. The contributors are wearing their fingers to the bone scratching their collective domes in search of inspiration. And all for what? To fill space! Between Sputniks and Explorers you'd think there would be enough junk in space now. But no, there's still some gets into the Totem Times! As witness this.

Now, mentioning "space" conjures up thoughts of the international space race, in which, up to the present, Russia has been "fustest with the mostest". On the other hand, Uncle Samuel has maintained that it's quality not quantity that counts. Somehow, John Q. Public has reached the stage of a rather blasé acceptance of the actual accomplishments while much more interest is evinced in the excuses, alibis and general circumlocutions of the contestants.

Two manned orbital shots have given the Soviets quite a boost prestige-wise with the fence-sitters — the so-called Uncommitted Nations. Now, if the West, as represented by the U.S., can steal a march on the Reds, and get the "green cheese" from the moon on the market first, the tide may change in their favour. On the other hand, if Nicky gets the press-gang working overtime and evolves a rocket with a little more thrust, the chances are that the a/m cheese will be selling for rubles instead of "real money".

It doesn't take a seventh son of a seventh son to figure the cacophany of charges and countercharges, claims and counter claims and just plain ordinary childish excuses that will fill the air if and when it happens. And all the time, the long suffering and inarticulate

taxpayer is footing the bill for costly experiments and equipment directed ostensibly toward a very nebulous purpose.

Why can't both sides be a little more honest in the statements of their aims? What good would it do to reach Venus or Mars? Can't they just say they want an orbital rocket launcher and be done with it? But no! It's just like the boys from Cold Lake who drop in on 409 over the weekend on a "training flight". Who ever heard of a CF carrying a trolling rod as standard equipment? I suppose it's another case of any excuse being better than none.

I believe to mention a CF in the same para as space-vehicles borders somewhat on heresy, but I can't help thinking that I'd rather be struck with a CF when it goes u.s. At least it would come down, whereas, if a manned space shot were to go haywire, why shucks Hiram! the crew would have to play pinocchio or penny ante while the ship weaved its way on an interplanetary junket through eternity. What a prospect! Lost to all the amenities of modern civilization! No wine, no women, no rock'n roll, no Hawaiian Eye! Just the limitless curves of space and all the time in the world (or out of it) to prove the Theory of Relativity.

Nope! I'll be chicken and stick to good old Terra even if it's not so Firma right now.

The alliterative dodo

What can I do, the Dodo asked. Before I quit the scene—Where wordly triumphs were so few—

To keep my memory green, Whereto the Gods replied: Good Bird!

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The first bingo of the season will be held Thursday the 28th of September in the Rec Centre at 8 p.m. There will be a \$200 jackpot (50 numbers) or a \$100 consolator prize. There is also \$300 in cash prizes. Admission is \$1.00 which includes one card. Extra cards are 50c each. This bingo is open to all service personnel, DND employees, and dependents.



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ART COMMENT

by IVY CHAPMAN

I was interested to read in the news recently that the famous sculptor Lipchitz has given over 200 of his original plaster sculptures to the Jerusalem Museum. These same plaster forms when cast in bronze are valued at about \$15,000—so the gift is a fabulous one. Not to be outdone—the widow of another famous sculptor—Jacob Epstein—is also donating the original plaster sculptures left by her famous husband. It occurred to me, when I read about the plaster models, that any amateur sculptor could take some plaster of paris and set it into blocks—square or oblong, and of a convenient size. The blocks may then be carved as wished and be polished or stained to suit the subject.

The recent death of Ernest Hemingway may bring to mind his best selling novel: "For Whom the Bell Tolls". My favorite, however, is "The Old Man and the Sea" about which I gave a talk during "Book Week" to a local P-TA group several years ago. It seemed to hold the listening group's interest as much as it did mine, for my ten-minute talk was stretched out to twenty minutes (a serious error in instructional technique, I am told); yet interest was maintained by everyone until the end.

The story is set in Havana and revolves around five points—the boat, the boy, the sea, the old man and the biggest fish ever.

It is the timeless story of the aspirations and credulity of youth and the reflections and faith of the old. We see the old man's belief in and knowledge of the sea and of the will-power he summons to brave the deep for three days in an open boat in order to achieve his aim. The monster fish is finally caught but is devoured by the sharks and stripped to the bare bones. To the boy waiting on the beach the huge skeleton is cause for wonder, yet his first thought is for the comfort of the old man. At the same time we review the incident through the eyes of the boy and question with him the details of the story. Would-be authors might study this tale with profit; it is a book for the classroom as well as for the library.

Those who are familiar with George Seurat and his famous painting "Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte" might be interested in the following comment he made on painting techniques: "Gaiety is induced by light or warm colours with lines rising from the horizontal; calmness, by a balance between warm and cool tones, and the horizontal line; sadness by dark and cold colours, with lines descending from the horizontal."

Reminder to the amateur artists: Please send your entries for the RCAF Art Exhibition and Contest in prior to September 30th. They can be sent in bulk through the SRECO on the station.

FLAG FOOTBALL

Flag football has started up again after a lapse of four years. There are four teams in the league: 407 Maintenance; 409 Servicing; 407 Telecom and Servicing; and 407 Aircrew. Games will be played Monday and Wednesday at 1730 hrs. and Friday at 1500 hrs. at the PMQ Sports Field.

The teams are showing a lot of enthusiasm and have already had numerous practices. By the time this reaches the press, two games will have been played.

For those who have not seen flag football, it is a game where a strong throwing quarterback and fleet-footed runners play the major roles. Bodily contact takes place only on the line where blocking is allowed. There is no tackling whatsoever.

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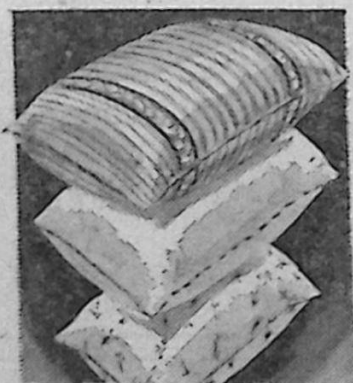
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