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## Retiring Sergeants To Remain in The Comox Valley



Two retiring Air Force Sergeants have decided to take up permanent residence in Courtenay when they leave the RCAF. Sgt. Tony Baumgartner, an aero engine technician, has taken over management of the Texaco Service Station on the Dyke Road. While Sgt. "Moe" Foden anticipates going into real estate when he completes University of British Columbia training. Shown here at their recent retirement party are, from left to right, Sgt. and Mrs. Tony Baumgartner, G/C and Mrs. E. G. Ireland, and Sgt. and Mrs. Moe Foden.

## Mr. Toastmaster and Gentlemen!

Twice each month a group of gentlemen from many walks of life in the local area meet for an evening of good dining and self-improvement.

The fast moving informal program is dedicated to one purpose . . . the improvement of each and every individual present in his ability as a spontaneous or prepared public speaker.

The local Toastmaster Club is interested in new members. Any station personnel wishing to obtain more information regarding the club contact Flight Lieutenant Casson at 407 Demon Squadron, Local 1218.

## Moment Of Revelation

A drunk man ambled into an airline office and bought a ticket. "You'd better sober up a little before you board the 'plane,'" warned the clerk. The drunk drew himself up with dignity. "Mistern, Lister," he said. "I've only had tee mar-tonis, and I'm not as much under the affluence of inkahol as some thinkle might peep—but the drunker I stand here the longer I get."

## Quote and Unquote

Here's a quote: "It is a gloomy moment in history. Not for many years—not in the lifetime of most men who read this paper—has there been so much grave and deep apprehension; never has the future seemed so incalculable as at this time—in France the political caldron seethes and bubbles with uncertainty; Russia hangs as usual, like a cloud, dark and silent upon the horizons of Europe; while all the energies, resources and influences of the British Empire are sorely tried."

"It is a solemn moment and no man can feel an indifference—which happily, no man pretends to feel—in the issue of events of our own troubles no man sees the end."

When was it written? October 10, 1857 in the Harper's Weekly!

Men will confess to treason, murder, arson, false teeth, or a wig. How many of them will own up to a lack of humor? —Frank Colby.

## Council Notes

Champagne thinking on a beer budget seemed the theme of last week's PMQ Council meeting. The common local misconception of considering the council capable of financially assisting every PMQ venture from Tiddly-Winks to Tom-Tom was proven to bear little in the way of fact. The majority of requests brought before the meeting, received the council's sympathetic scrutiny and moral support, but little else . . . for the time being anyway, until the taxes are collected.

One venture that will go on, with financial backing of the messes, is the PMQ Children's Xmas Party for the local youngsters 12 years and under. The date of the party has been set for Saturday the 15th of December. The ground work will be under way this week it is hoped.

A comprehensive report on the various facets of policing the PMQ area was given by Special Constable Adye. The council during this report received much enlightenment and also appreciation for the very fine job being done by a dedicated and very capable gentleman. Mayor Rushton requested that the Constable continue this liaison with the council.

## Air Wear

A Baltimore men's suit manufacturer is concerned about the man who dislikes being encumbered with luggage or paying airlines overweight. The manufacturer has come up with a suit designed for the traveller with 19 pockets, including a built-in money belt. The suit comes with money.

## BRIGHT SUITS FOR VOODOO FLYERS



**ORANGEMEN MAY LIVE LONGER** — The recovery odds in favor of downed jet interceptor aircrew from RCAF Station Comox's CF-101B Squadron have been increased by the issue of bright orange flying suits to pilots and navigators of 409 Nighthawk Squadron.

In the event of a downed airman being unable to operate his electronic Search and Rescue and Homing (SARAH) gear, he still stands a very good chance of being found; the new suits making visual sighting by search aircraft much easier than the regular blue issue.

Displaying the old and the new are: F/L Doug Abrahamson, 35, of 2134 Cornwall Street, Vancouver, and F/O Bill Tulloch, 23, of Belleville, Ontario. Both men are pilots with the 409 Nighthawk Squadron.

## RCAF Cartoon Panel

Did you know that the first baby born in an aircraft was delivered aboard a Canadian Air Force 'plane . . . or that the world's first aerial buffalo census was carried out in Manitoba by the RCAF?

These and other interesting items will be featured in an RCAF cartoon panel entitled "Canadian Flying Firsts." The first in a series of eight cartoons to be published appears in this issue.

Produced by the public relations branch at Air Transport Command Headquarters, Trenton, Ont., the series was instigated following the success of a weekly cartoon panel distributed about a year ago.

Research for the series was carried out at the National Air Museum and the National War Museum in Ottawa; several of the interesting items depicted in cartoon form were authenticated by retired members of the Air Force who actually participated in the events related.

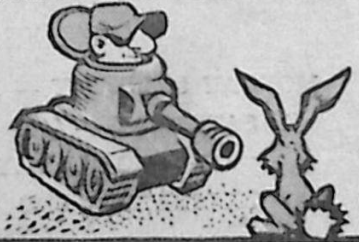
In some instances the research led to the uncovering of little known facts which might otherwise have been completely forgotten over the years. On completion of the series much of the material was forwarded to the RCAF's Air Historian at Air Force Headquarters for safe-keeping.

## CANADIAN Flying Firsts

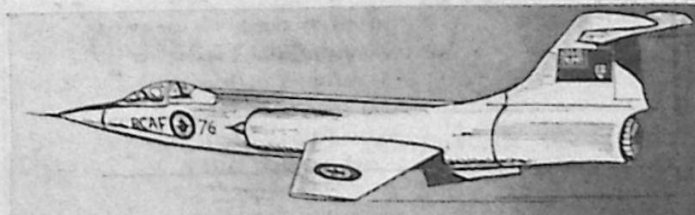


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## Editorials

### The Child is Father of the Man

There was a time when the penalty for poor behaviour in children was a good, hard smack on the right place, and it was believed that their psyches were located in that nether extremity for this precise purpose.

With the advent of more enlightened times, children's personalities became a study unto themselves and so much frightening literature was written about wrecked psyches that, both at home and school, the "paddle" was withheld, buried and relegated to the museum.

'Tis true indeed that child psychology has many merits, but the salutary effect of a large hand applied to a small rear has never been replaced as an efficient remedy for intolerable behaviour.

Behaviour is a word constantly used by parent, teacher, social worker and juvenile court magistrate alike. By very definition it means "treatment shown to others." The cold, hard fact about this thing called behaviour is that it is learned from parents within the boundaries of the family relationship. Acceptable behaviour is the sum total of many attributes and lessons which should be taught in the home, the prime one being respect—self respect, respect of parents, of others and of the law.

Sadly, the truth is that of recent years, society has placed too great an onus on the schools and outside organizations to teach children the elementary lessons in good social behaviour which should be learned at home. The club, the organization, the fraternity and even the hoodlum gang provide that degree of continuity and identification which the child often does not find in its own domestic environment.

Sadder still, are the cases of juvenile delinquency we have upon our hands and the fact that we, as taxpayers have to support the various instruments of correction which are set up within the framework of the law to bring about reforms in juvenile offenders.

The military community in which we live does not make us exempt from the civil laws of the land and our children do not have the prerogative to run wild in the PMOs, on the station or in the local community.

All parents have the greatest of responsibilities in the moulding of the lives of their children. The child is but father of the man. If we raise our children to disregard authority they will mature into bankrupt citizens in terms of moral and social values. Perhaps the time has come to examine our standards of domestic discipline and to ensure that we do live up to our responsibilities.



## Chapel Chimes

### CATHOLIC CHAPEL

Father H. Thomas, F/L  
SUNDAY MASSES — 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday (except Wednesday) at 4:35 p.m.

Wednesday 8:30 a.m. and Saturday 8:30 a.m.

Confessions: Before Masses and Saturday 7 to 8 p.m.

Baptism: Sundays by appointment.

Catechism Classes: Tuesday, 4 p.m. in the Wallace Gardens School, Grade 1 to 7. Kindergarten: Monday 3:30 to 4:15 p.m. at PMQ 114E, the home of Mrs. Thornton, Comox and Tyee Park Catechism: Saturday 10 a.m. in the Comox Church Rectory.

Knights of Columbus Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month. Catholic Womens League meets the first Monday of each month.

Senior Choir Practice: Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. Anyone wishing to help would be more than welcome. We should be preparing for the Christmas festival.

Junior Choir Practice Saturday 10:30 a.m.

Donations of used clothing and toys for F. Rossiter's Indian Mission at Duncan, to be made up into a Christmas shipment by the C.W.L., may be left at PMQ 104D, or call 339-3140 for pickup.

### PROTESTANT CHAPEL

F.L. SM Parkhouse

#### SCHEDULE:

DIVINE WORSHIP — 1100 hours Sunday.

Nursery—1100 hours Sunday, (Chapel Annex, up to and including 2 years).

Holy Communion — 1200 hours, the second Sunday of the month.

Holy Communion (Anglican) 0800 hours, the first Sunday of the month.

Holy Baptism — Sundays by appointment.

Ladies Guild — 2000 hours the third Tuesday of the month.

Choir Practice — 2000 hours every Thursday.

Junior Choir Practice—1800 hours every Thursday.

Sunday School — 0930 hours in the Wallace Gardens School for the 6 years (by 31 Dec.) and up. 1100 hours in Wallace Gardens School for 3, 4 and 5 year olds.

Young People — 1900 hours in the Chapel Annex every Sunday evening.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: There will be a Christmas Pageant on December 16 at 7 p.m. in the Protestant Chapel. There will also be a White Gift Service on December 16.

JUNIOR CHOIR: There will be a practice on the following dates—4, 6, 11 and 13 Dec., and a Dress Rehearsal on 15 Dec.

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"If thou, O Lord, shouldst count iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgiveness with thee . . ."

By the law of justice each man receives what he deserves. He gets what is coming to him. No more and no less. One cannot reverse this statement, however, and declare that what a man gets he always deserves to get. If he is born blind, he does not necessarily deserve to be born blind. If

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## Winter Water's Warm PTA Addressed With Wet Suit

By CAL SMITH

In the early days of skin diving, winter participation was out of the question and even in summer, depths greater than fifteen feet were too uncomfortable to stand for long.

The hardy few that did brave the depths, even along the comparatively warm coasts of Georgia and California, spent most of their time huddled round beach fires. And what time wasn't spent diving and recovering, was used in the search for some way to protect their numbed bodies.

In their eagerness to make the sport one that could be enjoyed year-round, many of these diving pioneers — they were also known as screwballs and fanatics — exposed themselves to the most tortuous experiments.

Some of them smeared their bodies with grease and tallow, but discarded the idea when the sand, which invariably became imbedded in it, began wearing away their skins.

Others resorted to such fantastic diets as seal and whale blubber on the theory that Eskimos, who enjoy a similar diet, are more impervious to the cold because of it. They gave up when they became too sick to notice whether they were cold or not. And their reaction is understandable if you've ever even smelled blubber.

During the Second World War, the navy came to the diver's rescue with an exposure suit for frogmen. Worn over heavy clothing, the "Dry Suit" kept its wearer drier and warmer than he'd ever been before and if handled carefully, the light weight, gum rubber suit provided many hours of comfortable diving — it says here.

Any that I've had the misfortune of using were cumbersome, uncomfortable and dangerous if torn in use. Worn at any depth, they pinched the skin until beautiful blood blisters adorned the diver's body. And the hoods constantly threatened ruptured ear drums. And they usually leaked.

I can't think of a more wretched feeling in the world than the sudden trickle of 40 degree water down the middle of your back when you're 30 feet deep and 100 yards from shore! Even if it remained a trickle, it would probably be tolerable, but it invariably becomes a torrent!

The development of the wet suit, which came shortly after the war, made diving truly comfortable for the first time, and has probably done more for the popularity of skindiving in Canada, than any other single factor.

At first, people were skeptical. How is it possible to stay warm when the suit makes no attempt to keep out the water? The answer, of course, is that it isn't — not if it doesn't keep out the water. Before it could become popular, the wet suit had the handicap of its misleading name to overcome. Actually, wet suits are skin tight with no space between the rubber and the suit in which the water can collect. And, being one quarter inch thick and filled with thousands of tiny gas bubbles, they provide better insulation than two or three suits of dry underwear.

Still, it wasn't until 1950 that wet suits began to replace the old "dry" suit. Now, very few divers would remember how to don one of the old two-piece dry suits, and its assorted "seals".

With popularity, colors in every shade from mauve to yellow began to make their appearance, catering to the whims of safety and appearance-conscious divers. But none of the colored materials were really satisfactory because the addition of color

Three guest speakers recently offered a general meeting of the Comox Airport School PTA an interesting and informative report regarding our local educational programing. Mr. Ritchie, Supt. of School District 71, in conjunction with Flight Lieutenant Harry Vinish, discussed Department of National Defence and B.C. provincial government relationship in the Comox Airport School.

Mr. Ritchie also stressed understanding of subject material, responsibility, good work habits and proper attitude to the vital basis in the development of good students and good good citizens.

Mr. Heal of the Lake Trail School, explained to the small group the new method of teaching mathematics being inaugurated in B.C. and discussed some of its advantages. The present Comox Airport PTA has some 20 or more members.

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Air pollution has occasionally reached acutely lethal proportions. Outstanding among the recorded instances when contamination of the air was the immediate cause of illness and death are the Meuse Valley (Belgium) case, where one hundred persons were made ill and 63 died in 1930; the Donora (Pennsylvania) episode of 1948 when over a thousand people were severely affected and twenty died; and the London case of 1952, when an estimated four thousand excess deaths were recorded during a two-week period in December. However, the occasional instances of deathly gases enveloping a city do not begin to define the magnitude of the problem. The greatest health problem and the greatest property damage appear to arise from persistent exposure at a great many scattered locations.

One survey has indicated that air pollution to one degree or another affects 10,000 American communities. It ranges from highly localized effects—perhaps the smokes and gases of a single factory chimney—to smogs that blanket entire metropolitan areas (Los Angeles is the obvious example). The damage to livestock, vegetation, and materials alone has been roughly estimated at \$3 to \$4 billion annually, and yearly expenditures for abatement at about \$300 million. In recent years the character of air pollution has undergone radical change which is why it is not possible at present to formulate a meaningful index of its magnitude.

The substances found in polluted air are often divided into two categories: stable primary substances that are not changed in the air and, consequently, comparatively easily traced to their source. These arise from industrial, commercial, domestic, transport, and agricultural activities and are in the form of dust, smoke fumes and droplets. The range of types of these pollutants is extremely wide. They obscure sunlight and visibility, dirty buildings and other articles, corrode metals, and affect life processes. The burning of coal was responsible for large amounts of dust and smoke in former times and still is at numerous locations in Europe. Greater use of liquid and gaseous fuels has considerably reduced these types of pollutants in the United States. Consequently, the "settling solids" index of pollution has fallen drastically and virtually lost its meaning. However, the pollutants arising from the newer fuels are in some respects more difficult to cope with. This is in considerable measure because of the automobile which expels individually small amounts of pollutants at a great many locations close to the ground. Also, residuals from the combustion of the newer fuels are particularly important contributors to what has been called secondary pollution.

Secondary pollutants are more intractable, of less predictable effect, and generally speaking more dangerous than primary pollutants. They do not arise from any industrial, municipal, or household source—rather they are produced by photochemical interactions between primary pollutants within the atmosphere. The most objectionable pollutants appear to arise from the oxidation, often produced by ozone which is generated by a photochemical reaction between

They hired the money, didn't they? — Calvin Coolidge (of the Allies' war debts, 1925).



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tween organic substances and oxides of nitrogen, of hydrocarbons which are present in incompletely combusted fuel fumes. This is Los Angeles smog.

Aside from property damage, visibility reduction, and general destruction of the amenities, there is strong circumstantial evidence indicating the adverse health effects of continued exposure to the array of contaminants found in the air of numerous urban areas. Comparison of morbidity and mortality statistics with indices of air pollution suggests that communities with the heaviest air pollution loads tend to rank high in death rates for a number of diseases. There is significant correlation between air pollution and cancer of the esophagus and stomach, lung cancer and arteriosclerotic disease.

The German magazine, Der Spiegel, has recently reported a variety of findings with respect to air pollution in the Ruhr Basin. The Ruhr and its environs suffer from perhaps greater continuous pollution of the air than any sizeable area on earth. As the magazine graphically puts it, the industries in this area of 8 million people daily produce a small Pompeii. From the perpetually darkened skies, 1.5 million tons of dust, ashes and carbon as well as 4 million tons of sulphur dioxide descend daily. Aside from such interesting facts as that the waiters in the restaurants in Duisburg change their collars three times a day, Der Spiegel also reports that studies have shown that over 15 per cent of the children in the Ruhr showed symptoms of rickets while only half as high a percentage did so in a control city in the Rhine Valley. Moreover, the study shows that teen-age children in the Ruhr are significantly lighter and of lesser stature than children in the control city.

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## MSE Headlights

### INTAKE

Cpl. Al Tarala, MSEOP, from No. 1 FWG, home town Laird, Sask.

ACI Claude Doucette, MSEOP, from Camp Borden, home town Coquitlam, B.C.

ACI Reik Dyck, MSEOP from Camp Borden, home town Stuartburn, Man.

ACI Roger MacDonald, MSEOP from Camp Borden, home town Hilton Beach, Ont.

VOLLEYBALL  
Friday saw the NCOs with a slight edge in play over the LACs. This will be rectified next Friday, when the rematch is contested, according to an Airmen's spokesman.

T.D.  
There have been numerous journeys to Victoria and vicinity, this month. The longest trip of all was taken by F.O. Cook, our MSEOP, who journeyed all the way to MACHQ, M.T.Y.W.P.

Here are a few solutions to the mysterious letters, submitted during the past week:  
1. Monday, Tuesday, Yesterday, Wednesday, Payday.  
2. M.T. yields with pleasure.  
3. Make time, yield with pleasure.  
4. Make traffic your winter project (or programme).  
5. Many thanks you wonderful people.

## Junior Small Bore Rifle Club

Club standing as of 23 November, 1962.

GIRLS — Wendy Plant, 78; Heather McDonald, 68; Heather Hall, 60; Pat Keating, 55; Janice Comar, 20.

BOYS — Trevor Goff, 97; Stephen Plant, 97; Brian Smyth, 94; Roy Berg, 92; Gary Glencross, 90; Jim Richards, 89; David Bailey, 88; Stephen Sweeney, 85; Glen McPherson, 80; Joe McCarthy, 80; Keith Croft, 79; Phillip Dyke, 78; Greg Fanning, 76; Kenny Robertson, 75; Robert Ireland, 68; Darryl Debert, 64; Larry Croft, 63; Wayne Debert, 56; Robie Johns, 53; Harry Bailey, 53; Tom Moore, 51; Jim Bowman, 41.

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## Paris by Night

By BOB BARLOW

To go out for an evening in Paris, doesn't mean getting lit up on champagne, although some do. The French with their highly developed fashion and art of dramatizing the great buildings, fountains, squares, boulevards and other points of interest, have far more memorable sights for you.

At night the city does not burst into hit or miss display of neon lighting. We noted instead, the rather subdued street lights set off as a background for the bright glowing lights around such buildings as Notre Dame Cathedral, The Louvre, Arc de Triomphe, The Pantheon, The Place de la Concorde and many others.

Under Parisian street lighting the cracks in sidewalks, shadows and the all too plentiful "other" stains of the ages, disappear. The beautiful buildings look new, fresh and bright.

Paris "illumine" is indescribable. If you care to walk, it can be a real pleasure, you can also ride a carriage, bus, or take a taxi cab—best of all, we found was to take a "bateau mouche" on the beautiful River Seine.

These river boats are unlike the normal crowded excursion one tends to see or become associated with on a tour or tours. Built with the glassed in roof and sides, as many are in Europe, they allow a splendid view all around and up to spires and bridges.

We took a dinner boat leaving at 8:45 p.m. and returning about three hours later, around 11:30 p.m. The tickets at the time were 2200 francs (about \$5.20) and it provided us with wonderful enchanted cruising, a really lovely five-course meal, with wine and tip included. The waiters were very polite and very efficient. There was no rush to the tables and no grimy coffee bar atmosphere. The table was candlelit and covered in attractive cloth showing a map of Paris.

As the "bateau" floated quietly down the River Seine, the captain or crew member put a search light beam on historic bridges that we passed under, such names as the Pont Neuf, oldest bridge in Paris and still lighted by ornate lamps of Henry IV. They have simply been converted from candle to gas, to electricity. The Pont Michael with huge laurel wreath and "NI" carving left by Napoleon, the Alexander Bridge and others. The lights outline such structures as the Louvre to the Pal-

ace of Justice and Madeline.

The cruise boat circles the Island for a close up of Notre Dame Cathedral glowing in indirect light, with the great stained glass windows overwhelmingly evident. The Tower is also lighted but not so brightly that we could not see the lights of the elevator moving eerily up and down. On shore the beauty of the Place de la Concorde with lighted fountains and sculptures looks bright and gay.

From this point, a steady stream of autos can be seen moving up the Champ Elysees toward the Arch de Triomphe.

Among all this beauty is a certain serenity. Parisians obey the law and drive silently and defensively, but with no beep from the auto horns. Paris, City of Light is truly the "City of Enlightenment".

## YOUTH REC NEWS

By BOB PARKER

Ballet and Tap Dancing

Lessons

At 10 a.m. Saturday, 1 December '62 Mrs. G. W. Hopkins will be at the PMQ School Auditorium to interview and register children who are interested in taking ballet or tap dancing lessons. Mrs. Hopkins is a graduate of the National Association of Dancers Affiliated Artists and has had five years' experience instructing children.

Basketball

All boys and girls interested in playing basketball are requested to come to an organization meeting in the Rec Centre at 6:30 p.m., Friday 30 Nov. '62. Flying Officer G. W. Hopkins has volunteered to

## Underwater Accidents Unromantic

By CAL SMITH

Although shark incidents do occur; and the danger of moray eels, barracuda, sting rays and killer whales can never be entirely discounted, most diving accidents are the result of much less glamorous things.

Instead of romantic encounters with giant squid, octopus, and other sea monsters, most divers who have become the victims of the sea, succumbed to much less colorful, but far more deadly things. Like panic, ignorance, and inexperience.

A young Vancouver boy diving in 80 feet of water without adequate instruction, panicked and held his breath while surfacing. The expanding air in his chest burst the walls of his lungs forcing air bubbles into his blood stream and he died. The victim of an air embolism and a lack of training.

Another fellow, having just bought a new dry suit, without previous experience or instruction in its use, neglected to let the excess air out of it before diving head-first into the water.

The air was forced by the pressure of the water into the legs of the suit, turning them into twin balloons that kept his feet up, while the weight of his tanks kept his head down. He was unable to right himself and his struggles only succeeded in amusing the spectators on shore.

organize and manage youth basketball. The number of teams to be formed will be dependent on the number of boys or girls interested in playing.

Stamp Club

Steve Prokop, who manages the Stamp Club, spent the week of 18th-24th Nov. in the Naden hospital and as a result the meeting scheduled for 21 Nov. was cancelled. We wish you success on your operation and a speedy recovery, Steve! This club will be back in operation on 28 Nov. Adults interested in collecting stamps are welcome at these regular Wednesday evening meetings held at 6:30 p.m. in the Science Room No. 29, PMQ School.

Coin Collectors' Club

Ron Moore and Doctor J. L. Rychebasch have volunteered to organize and supervise a coin collectors' club. This club will meet with the Stamp Club. The first meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, 5 Dec. in Room No. 29, PMQ School. All boys, girls and adults interested in collecting coins are invited to attend this meeting and join the club. Coin collectors will now have the opportunity of getting together to compare, discuss and trade their coins.

The Youth Rec Commission plans to provide a current coin catalogue and will subscribe to a coin collectors' periodical provided there are sufficient interested members.

Time: 6:30 p.m. Date: Wed. 5 Dec. Place: Room No. 29, PMQ School.

## Camera Tips

Forget what kind of film is in your camera? Apply adhesive tape to the back of the camera and jot down the type of film.

Shoot for pictures that tell your story clearly. Choose a single point of interest and eliminate everything that doesn't add to the picture.

To be sure of some eye-catching shots, take a series of pictures. Don't be satisfied with a mere "click and run" single shot.

For good pictures of children, hold your camera at about the same level as your subjects. This makes the pictures seem more natural, and puts the children in proper perspective.

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## Driving Impressions

By MIKE STANDING

### STUDEBAKER AVANTI

When the Studebaker demonstration team brought an Avanti to Courtenay last weekend, I was fortunate enough to be invited to drive it. I say fortunate, because driving this magnificent car was one of the most amazing experiences I have had behind the wheel in a long time. It is indeed extraordinary to be able to floor the accelerator of a car and be pushed backwards in your seat, for this indicates an above average measure of power getting to the rear wheels.

When you are driving an Avanti however, you are forced into your seat anytime you tread on the loud pedal — in ANY gear, at ANY speed. The torque curve on this car must be almost flat — the power comes in with a bang, and acceleration appears constant all the way around the clock.

The tachometer is red lined at 5,000 rpm, and when starting from rest with near maximum acceleration, your hand must be ready to flick the stubby gear lever to second after only about two seconds — that's how long it takes to run the tach all the way.

Second gear takes a little longer — about four seconds. This car storms away with no wheelspin, no skidding — it just hoses down the highway in the most spectacular fashion, and while you are sitting in relative silence inside, the effect for people watching must be rather startling — the Avanti exhausts through two huge pipes, and the mufflers are muffled in name only — at an idle it growls and rumbles, and when "revved," howls like a true sports machine.

At maximum throttle when under way, she must really bark. Well, domestic machines that will hurtle along in a straight line are not too unusual, but slipping this super-Stude through a few corners confirms the idea that it is something really different.

Down one cog, a tap on the discs prior to the corner — and these disc brakes really haul it down well — and then hard down on the accelerator, and you are through the corner and backing off madly as the speedometer leaps toward highly illegal speeds.

This car would really be in its element in Europe, where speed limits apply only in built up areas, and you could make use of the tremendous performance available. Be just the rig to go Ferrari hunting.

To get back to reality, Canada, and 60 mph speed limits, the Avanti is probably the safest car on the road. There are two ways of driving out of an accident — going very rapidly or stopping very quickly. With its power and disc brakes the car does both admirably. If you did get involved in a shunt, listen to some of the car's specifications — all around, four seat belts. Padded dash, padded doors, padded sun visors and windshield frame, padded head liner, padded roll bar built into the roof over the rear compartment, safety door locks — the list goes on and on.

The interior of the car is very luxurious, with true bucket seats that wrap around at

the sides to provide real support, full carpeting — naturally, and a dash that is the most complete available today on a domestic product. Speedometer, tachometer, vacuum gauge, fuel gauge, ammeter, oil pressure gauge, water temperature gauge and clock. What a change from idiot lights — and all the instruments are round, white numerals on a black background, with indirect aircraft type red lighting.

All the lighting switches are located on a panel between the sun visors, and the heater and vent controls are mounted on the central console ahead of the 7" shift lever for the four speed box.

The wheel is just about vertical, and with a wide range of seat adjustment you can find an ideal position for comfortable pedal operation. However, even though I have fairly long legs I found I had to slide the seat too close to the wheel for a straight arm driving position. That is honestly the only point I have to criticize, and that's due to my physical dimensions. If the wheel could have been in about three inches, it would have been perfect.

The Avanti's appearance startled a lot of people when the first pictures were released — and I admit I didn't think too much of the car myself. After seeing it, my opinion did a quick reversal. The car is much better looking when it is seen in three dimensions — the rounded tail sits quite high, and the general appearance is of an animal ready to pounce.

It is a very clean design — no phony air scoops, chrome or junky lines added for "styling." After driving the car, you appreciate the long, flat snout — air pressure at speed holds it down to the road, and you don't get the vague, wandering feeling that some cars get as the wind lifts the front end at speed.

Due to import taxes, the \$5,000 U.S. made Avanti becomes the \$7,600 Canadian delivered Avanti, which is a lot of shekels to put it mildly. However, the competition for this car consists of three cars that also cost a lot of shekels — the Jaguar E Type, the Corvette Sting Ray and the Ford Thunderbird. Each is a little different in character, two are true sports cars, the other a "personal" car. Prices run from \$6,600 to just over \$8,000.

I will not attempt to compare the four cars — but I can truthfully say that when I felt that booming acceleration of the Avanti under my foot, and glanced around at the interior of the car, I felt sure that I was driving one of the most exciting cars that is built today — anywhere.



### DEMON DOIN'S

After a long absence, here we are again with some juicy tid-bits from squadron life. A fitting start would be to offer a heartiest congratulations to Roy and Caroline Thompson on behalf of 407 Squadron. For the benefit of those who have not heard, Caroline gave birth to twin girls last week. As well, we would like to offer belated congratulations to such new parents as, Ian and Peggy Stewart, Joan and Don Gallagher, Scotty and Helen Anderson, S L and Mrs. Rushton (a girl at last). It appears the shift system isn't slowing up production anyway.

This week Crews 11 and 12 complete the TATT course and officially become part of 407 Squadron. At last the Squadron is up to full strength. How long it will last is the question now.

Recently arrived back are Jim and Eunice O'Neill who were married earlier this month. Eunice is no stranger to Comox as she was stationed here a while as a nursing sister. Congratulations and best of luck to both of you. Incidentally Eunice, did Jim tell you about his "tea party" and send-off?

Overheard in the mess the other day "Tsk, tsk, poor Don Walker — he's seeing spiralling aircraft now, you know."

From Crew 4 comes a "Suspicious Confirmed" story — It seems on a torpedo drop last Friday, the radio operator made contact with the "Black Duck" only to be informed they would be delayed shortly while the boat returned to dock to get the rest of the crew who had been left behind. Speaking of Crew 4, only generally mind you, who is this red-hot type pilot they have now?

From his crew I have heard he bounces the odd one in now and again.

Rumor has it Don Walker is replacing George "Two-Charge It" MacPherson on the TATT crew. After hearing the above about Don, maybe this is the place for them. George, incidentally, got a jam posting to Summerside. Proving what has been said before, that all F/L's get the preference postings.

What is a communist? One who hath yearnings for equal division of unequal earnings. — Ebenezer Elliott.

## BOOKWORM'S CORNER

### New Books Now in Station Library

SOVIET MAN AND HIS WORLD by Klaus Mehnert.

Dr. Mehnert gives a searching analysis of the Soviet man in this book, written during his many journeys through the Soviet Union.

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A close look into the life of a man, much in the public eye, his worries, and responsible decisions he has to make.

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If you're having problems completing your Christmas gift list, why not take a cue from Canada's favorite hobby — photography.

Whether it's for Dad, Mom, brother or sister, a camera or photographic accessory has an inviting "Open Me First" message for Christmas morning. It's a gift that lets the recipient save Christmas fun in pictures to share and enjoy all through the year.

You'll find that cameras are available in a wide assortment and a price range broad enough to fit any budget. The box cameras are so simple and easy-to-use that any beginner, even a child, can take good pictures with them. A step up in price are the popular movie and 35 mm. cameras. Some cameras, for the amateur with some experience and enthusiasm for picture-taking, have a host of controls and adjustments, others are completely automatic.

In purchasing a camera, there are many points to consider apart from price. One is the reputation of the manufacturer, which is your guarantee of workmanship.

Along with individual cameras, there are attractive but low-priced Christmas kits consisting of a camera and case, along with flash bulbs, and complete instructions for taking pictures in color or black-and-white, day and night. These kits are becoming more popular every year.

For someone who already owns a camera, color or black-and-white film is always welcome. Other gift possibilities include lenses, filters, projectors, projection screens, and developing outfits. Your camera store can add many other suggestions.

You can count on photographic items to "click" as Christmas gifts because they're packed with year-round pleasure. And when you choose a photographic gift you don't have to be armed with such vital statistics as what size glove Aunt Mary wears, or whether Cousin Paul prefers plaid or solid-color ties.

—SELECTED.



Successful owl hunters were (left to right) Cpl. E. Jamael, Sgt. B. J. Hatcher and Cpl. J. E. Fulljames, or Station Moisie.

## The Mad Owl of Moisie

A huge horned owl, suspected of having rabies, recently went berserk and attacked two men and a 12-year-old boy at the Pinetree Lin radar base at Moisie, near Seven Islands, P.Q. Suffering facial lacerations following the attack, Warrant Officer M. O. Hill was flown from Station Moisie to RCAF Station St. Hubert for observation and treatment.

According to WO Hill, he was leaving a building on the station about 8:00 p.m. when the huge bird suddenly struck.

"I didn't know what hit me," he said. "All of a sudden I was tangled up with a maze of feathers, wings and talons."

WO HILL was knocked to his knees and after the bird flew off he discovered he was bleeding from numerous scratches and abrasions.

Earlier the same day a civilian who was visiting Station Moisie, was attacked but not injured in another tussle with the owl.

The bird didn't give up. The following day it made yet a third attempt — this time on a 12-year-old boy. He was badly frightened but otherwise unhurt.

But this time the owl had gone too far and an owl hunt was immediately launched. The bird was finally spotted in the nearby bush and RCAF police opened up with rifles.

but finally a shotgun blast did the trick and the owl was killed.

It had a wingspan of more than five feet.

Personnel on the station were at a loss to explain the unprovoked attacks by the bird.

Suspecting it might be suffering from rabies, the remains were flown to the Federal Laboratory at Hull, P.Q., for tests. They later proved negative and WO Hill was released from hospital.

## Photo Greeting Cards

Would you enjoy sending Christmas cards to your friends that they will remember — cards they will keep on the mantelpiece long after the holidays?

If so, an ideal answer is photo greetings, the unique cards that combine a greeting with one of your favorite pictures. A photo card is cherished because of its highly personal nature plus the fact that duplications are impossible.

Because photo cards have such individual personality, they can be effective without a Christmas setting. They can picture you and your family moving into your new home, enjoying a vacation, taking part in a favorite hobby or sport — in fact, participating

in any of the many activities that interest you.

It's not too early to start thinking of cards, by the way. In fact, now is an ideal time to snap photos for your cards. Keep your camera handy and look for good photo possibilities. You'll have extra fun, and you'll be taking your first step towards photo cards.

Whatever type of camera you own, it's easy to take good pictures. Keep a few pointers in mind. Try to have each picture tell a story. Keep the background uncluttered. Hold the camera steady and press, don't punch, the release.

At your local camera store, you'll have a chance to leaf through the wide assortment of photo cards. You'll find that a photo greeting is not expensive and you'll probably be amazed at the variety of styles and designs available for both color and black-and-white snaps.

Remember that your photo cards will be highly treasured — by relatives, close friends, and by other friends you see less often. People always keep photo cards, long after the others are forgotten.

## Chapel Chimes

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he is overrun by a drunken driver, he does not therefore deserve such fate.

In the great parable of the Good Samaritan, the Lord taught us the great lesson that we could be governed by one law alone in our dealings with men — the law of mercy. We need not ask if this unfortunate man deserved to lie bleeding by the roadside; we need only go to him in mercy. This profound lesson is the lesson of the Cross itself. God Himself did not ask whether

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