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409 Officer Wins Major Judo Award



F/O Bruce Harwood, observer with 409 Squadron, winner of the Senior Middleweight Championship is seen with members of the station's Judo Club, who attended the Vancouver Judo Club's 13th annual tournament.

Eight members of the Station Judo Club competed in the Vancouver Judo Club's 13th annual tournament at Vancouver's PNE Gardens, January 18. This was the second year that our club has entered the tournament, and it looks like they did pretty well.

F/O Harwood scored Comox's major victory. In taking the middleweight championship, he has made a real showing against some of the Pacific Northwest's finest judo talent. This year's tournament saw clubs from as far as Kamloops and Seattle competing for honours.

LAC Gary C. Prowse



Gary was born and raised in Vancouver until his enlistment in the RCAF. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Woods. He has three brothers and one sister. Since his enlistment he has served at various stations. He came from Rockcliffe to Comox in March 1962. His main job has been supply tech.

His versatility in his leisure time covers many phases in recreation. For the past two years he has been president of

the station photo club. He participates in league bowling, coach of a teen floor hockey team, and at present is busy planning an extensive arts and crafts program.

In 1954 he founded and edited the first HIC newspaper in Western Canada. His extensive background in commercial art is seen in many of the rec. bulletins. The rec. program this week salutes Gary Prowse for the past work well done.

CUT FROM FIVE TO THREE

RCAF Will Merge Interceptor Units

OTTAWA — RCAF Air Defence Command will consolidate its five squadrons of CF-101B Voodoo interceptors into three squadrons.

Associate Defence Minister Lucien Cardin said the action is being taken "as a measure to improve operational efficiency and promote economy."

The Voodoos, which replaced the CF-100, became operational in the RCAF Air Defence Command late in 1961. Sixty-six of the supersonic twin-engine fighters were obtained from units of the USAF Air-Defense Command under a U.S.-Canadian defense agreement.

The two commands are components of the North American Air Defense Command. Both operate interceptors, Bomarc missiles and radars under operational control of the two-nation NORAD.

Voodoo squadrons at Bagotville, Quebec, and Chatham, New Brunswick, will be increased in aircraft and crews, which will be obtained by disbanding No. 410 Squadron at Ottawa March 31 and 414 Squadron at North Bay, Ontario, June 30.

The squadron at Comox, B.C. will remain as it is. A small number of aircraft will be used to form a reserve.

Mr. Cardin said the consolidation move "will also reduce the density of civil-military air traffic at Uplands (Ottawa) and the concentration of defense units at North Bay."

North Bay is the site of a Bomarc squadron and the only underground SAGE air-surveillance and weapons-control facility in the NORAD system.

nam, Bagotville, Comox, and Val d'Or, Quebec, the latter as a deployment base.

The construction will take some time to complete and it is not anticipated that nuclear weapons will be delivered to these bases until late this year. Ities for the CF-101 aircraft will be constructed at Chat-

In line with the changes, nuclear weapons storage facil-

March is Red Cross Month Across Canada

Henri Dunant, founder of the Red Cross said: "To arouse a desire among states to vie with one another in really charitable undertakings so that one and all may benefit from the successful achievements of others in the sphere of humanitarian progress, is to annihilate the petty prejudices and cold selfishness of race towards race."

407 Demons Fly with USN in Exercise Turks Head

The sunny shores of California, just off San Diego, became the hunting grounds for a combined RCAF/USN fleet exercise during the past month. Code named exercise "Turkshead", this major event was designed to train, and test, First Fleet Units in strike, anti-aircraft, and anti-submarine warfare.

Twenty-four ships, four submarines and several air units participated in the exercise. In contrast to the exercise that we are used to, "Turkshead" was not defensive, but was an attack on a supposedly enemy shoreline.

Approximately 120 officers and men of 407 Squadron went south with four Neptunes for "Turkshead." Operating with the USN VP-42, Patrol Squadron, under command of Fleet Air Wing Fourteen, 407 aircraft flew every trip, with-

out a single abort. This received favourable comment, and was a "good show" on the part of 407 servicing.

The faster moving submarines, including one nuclear ship, the introduction of electronic deception techniques, and the opportunity to exercise with a large, complex task unit gave 407 crews valuable experience in joint ASW operations.

The 10 days spent at San Diego's North Island Naval Air Station gave Canadians and Americans a chance to meet socially as well as tactically, and cement future relationships for future RCAF/USN joint exercises.

Since the Southern California area is enduring one of its longest dry spells, the boys of 407 also found Exercise "Turkshead" a happy relief from our liquid sunshine.

Roundel Remains

"The Maple leaf still flies through Alaskan skies," 409 Nighthawks were informed recently by an F-105 pilot with the United States Air Force, Captain "Van" Vanden Heuvel.

Late last December, Capt. Vanden Heuvel flying an F-105, and his wing-mate Capt. Greg Neubeck piloting an F-100, en route from southern California to Alaska, diverted to Comox for repairs when one of the aircraft began experiencing some mechanical difficulties. Upon inspecting the aircraft, the problem proved a little more serious than had been expected and the two Americans became the guests of the 409ers for the next few days, while repairs were being completed.

However, when it came time for the two personable Yanks to depart, it was observed that a bit of Canada was about to go along with them. Someone, possibly from among their Nighthawk hosts, had placed a large Roundel decal on each aircraft, to accompany the standard USAF insignia on their journey into the far north.

A short time ago, a model of an F-105 arrived at 409 from the far north, with the following note:

"The enclosed model, on behalf of Capt. Greg Neubeck and myself, is the only fitting, however inadequate, way in which we felt we could express our sincere appreciation for your hospitality during our stay at your vacation spot. We are endeavoring to obtain a model of an F-100 also, and will send it to you if successful.

"Sorry that the insignia is incomplete. They did not seem to stock Roundels up here. Be assured, however, that the Maple Leaf still flies through Alaskan skies. In fact, when a piece tore off, the airmen got to work with tape and paint and made it almost as good as new. Sincerely, Capt. 'Van' Vanden Heuvel."

Another letter to 409 from Brigadier General A. T. Cuthbertson, vice commander of the two pilot's home base in United States, expressed his gratitude to the 409ers for their excellent co-operation. He spoke particularly of the "high professional calibre" of the Nighthawk airmen who worked to get the aircraft flying again so quickly. The general's letter gave specific mention to LAC James D. Henderson, for his personal extra time and effort towards getting the job done.



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As the editor sees it

An Open Letter to Mordecai Richler by R. C. Cornish
Trenton, Ont.

EDITOR'S NOTE—An article in a recent issue of MacLean's Magazine, on the Social Side of the Cold War, by Mordecai Richler, has caused some anguish in service circles. Its impression of the RCAF is summed up in the final paragraph: "In short, the RCAF may take good care of you, but it certainly doesn't (as they used to say) make a man out of you. It's a boy's life." This is my answer. The view below is my own, but I think it is a fairer one than a cursory visit to some messes affords.

While you were in Europe, did you do any research into the conduct of Canadian newsmen abroad?

That might have been interesting, and you might have drawn a few conclusions which would have titillated your readers no end, even if they proved nothing. I see that you upheld the tradition, visiting the bars to hold conversations.

It's odd. I was at 4 Wing in September. I met some of the people you mention, including Flight Lieutenant Jack Cahan and Flying Officer Bill McPherson.

Of course Jack is a bit breezy, and does say "Buster", and acts the hell fellow well met. And Bill is a pleasant, rather unobtrusive sort of fellow.

And the fellows do inhabit the bars, in the messes. But did you talk to people like F. L. Don Schneider?

Perhaps he was already dead when you got there.

No, not from one of those road accidents you talk about.

He was flying a CF-104, you know, one of these flying Thunderbolts which whips along a few feet above the ground on tactical strike or reconnaissance runs. Of course it was a peacetime practice, and he was not flying to kill, or in hatred.

But he was doing what I found all the other men and women over there doing—a job. And in the course of doing it, through some tiny error in calculation, or some tiny mechanical problem—no one knew which when I was there—he scattered his two million dollar machine on the ground, and died in the flaming wreckage.

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a feeling that they want to "do something" to safeguard our freedom.

I, too, talked to them in their messes.

In 10 years of fairly intimate acquaintance with RCAF people from air commodores to plain airmen and airwomen, I have talked with them on all the profound subjects which trouble us all, religion, politics, race relations, Communism, and a host of lesser subjects.

My own feeling is that they are a pretty fine bunch of people.

In some matters they are neither better nor worse than the rest of us.

As for drinking, I do not think that armed forces people are better or worse than other Canadians. I seem to have read somewhere that Canada's per capita liquor consumption is higher than anywhere else in the world.

As for our people who have been abroad, my impression is that they have learned to handle drinking in a somewhat more civilized manner than is customary in our beer parlors.

IN THE MESSES

I, too, was in the messes abroad. I suppose that anywhere one will see some drunkenness among drinkers.

Frankly, the messes are much more like social centres, and games, talking (good talking, too), and singing, dancing, and other, quite normal pursuits take up much of the time.

As to that talk about drinking having to do with promotions, that must have caused a hearty laugh around service circles.

I have known a large number of officers over the past decade, and I wish to tell you that as far as I am concerned, they got there on gray matter. If I were running a business, I would not hesitate to put RCAF people on the staff.

As to that stuff about things being classified, Mr. Richler, I came back with well over 200 pictures taken personally, and plenty of material gathered personally. I stood beside a CF-104 and touched it. I stood within 50 feet of hot missiles. Normal security precautions were observed, but any newsman who wanted to work could see all he wanted to.

From the pages of the Trentonian, you can read material which certainly wasn't a mere handout. I saw, and could ask questions, and top people answered them.

As to the feelings of airmen and their dependents on attack warning and precaution, they are just about like ours, except that for them, the proximity of the Iron Curtain, and the existence of live weapons on their own base, makes them aware that it is not a game.

They are about as articulate as some of the rest of us on the complex problems of living. And if they are not filled with hate, is that so bad in a world which is crying out for understanding?

Not men? No sense of adventure? Mere boys? Where have you been all your life?

Don't you know that Air Force people are always a combination of man and boy? They live with death.

They are, in No. One Air Division, away from everything familiar, and must do their best to live successfully in a foreign environment. I think Mr. Richler, that it might be a damned good thing for all of us if we got out of our little self-analytical, complacent, quarrelling Canadian stuffiness, and learned to get a good look at the rest of the world.

Not men? Because they like fun, and try to see as much as they can



SHARON LEUSZLER, member of CRA team in Comox Valley Gymnastic Championships held at the CRA Hall Saturday. Sharon won in the girls 12-14 class.

while they are overseas?

THEY WILL MEASURE UP.

I said it in print in the Trentonian, and I will say it again, after 10 years of observation:

If the call to duty comes again, these men and women, in our Royal Canadian Air Force, will be there to give all they have, as did those before them.

From what I have seen, despite some retired admirals, generals and wing commanders, so will our Army and Navy people.

What do you want?

Shall we put people in our peace-time armed forces, on its present voluntary basis, making a career of it, and do any less than make their life as secure as possible for the present and future?

I only wish we had done as much for the people who fought in two previous wars. I only wish our veterans had had the same treatment.

We should do the best we can for them.

I hope we go on doing it for 50 years, and never have to use them in war.

Whatever changes in policy our government decrees, these people will obey it.

A SILLY QUESTION

"What if you don't want to go?" you asked.

What in hell would you expect a service man to answer? Anywhere. And Cahan put it

right "Buster, you go."

Discount the slang, and Jack hit it on the head.

And no vision for the future? Sure, some of them re-engage.

What would you do at 40 or 45? Isn't it tough to get jobs at that age, no matter how capable you are?

And if you become used to one job, even if it is RCAF, wouldn't you be likely to stick to it?

But believe me, plenty of them care about the future. I have known many of them who were nearing retirement. And they are full of future plans.

No, Mr. Richler, I think you created an impression resting on a pretty careless piece of journalistic research.

As for me, I would like to see some things corrected too.

But some of us who have known many RCAF people will not share your twisted views.

I am sorry that the great mass of Canadians who cannot have this personal acquaintance with the people in our armed forces should be subjected to such a piece of misleading propaganda.

As for me, I'm glad they are around, and ready if we ever need them.

Whatever faults they have—as we all have—I am convinced that in the pinch they will acquit themselves like what they are—MEN.



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Catechism—Comox and Tyee Park: Saturday, 10 a.m. in the Comox Church Rectory.

Comox Catholic Young Peoples: 7 to 8 p.m. Sunday evenings in the Comox Church Rectory—Catechist: James Milner.

NOTE—This is a catechism group for the teen-agers—all in this age group are welcomed.

SPOTLIGHTS ON SPORTS

BADMINTON

The station badminton club is in full swing with new members joining almost weekly. Tri-service tournament at Naden the 31 Jan-1 Feb.

VOLLEYBALL

The relative positions of the teams have changed very little in the Inter-section Volleyball League.

The standings are as follows:

TEAM	PLAYED	PTS
409 Air	30	24
MSE	27	19
407 Air	27	19
Armt.Sys. Lab	30	17
SOCCERITES	30	14
TECH OFF.	30	14
AW	30	3
ATC	30	4

BASKETBALL

The station basketball team hosted Campbell River Monday, Jan. 20 and were victorious with a score of 34-28.

Rescue Centre Ends Busy Year

VANCOUVER, Jan. 8—The RCAF's Rescue Co-ordination Centre, Pacific Area, located in Vancouver, chalked up "incident" number 843 on the last day of 1963 to conclude its busiest year.

It's considered the busiest rescue centre in the country, too, depending on your point of view. While the Winnipeg centre had more incidents logged, many of them were communications checks whereas incidents in the west coast more often developed into actual search and rescue operations.

Incident 843, by the way, was quite typical: the co-ordination centre was advised that a local resident reported sighting a drifting white boat off Telegraph Cove. The Canadian Coast Guard cutter Ready was dispatched and towed the vessel into Victoria.

There were 783 incidents logged by the coast RCC in 1962.

The RCC's search and rescue summary for the last month of the year shows that more than 16 hours were logged by RCAF marine craft, more than 71 hours by other government vessels, and more than 20 hours by non-government vessels.

Marine hours for 1963 totalled 3,924 while more than 30 hours were logged by aircraft in December to bring the total flying hours for the year to 2,173.

There were 13 marine distress cases in December, bringing the total for the year to 561. There were five emergency air evacuations in the month and a total of 62 for the year.

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HOCKEY

The Comox Flyers are flying now, having posted another win Sunday 19 Jan. over Duncan Falcons. The win gave the Flyers a secure hold on a playoff spot.

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I have a feeling that I am not destined to deplete the local steelhead run by anything noticeable this year, in spite of a period of worm fishing. After having languished in San Diego for ten days imagining the run escaping up the river I returned to the river, bent on breaking my jinx and decided to put in one entire day, on the Puntledge, fishing all the promising holes. I started at Puntledge Park and on arrival I noticed a fair amount of blood in the snow near the waters edge and felt the pangs of envy for the angler who had beaten me to the hold. The jinx persisted throughout the day, as I continued to lose terminal gear to the bottom; however, the climax came when I imagined a strike, lifted the rod rapidly and shattered the tip on an overhead branch. Woe is me. Gary Foster phoned one evening to say that he had hooked a steelhead last Saturday, that dressed out at 5 lbs. I accused him of having found it on the river bank but he went out and caught another two days later just to prove his point.

George McIntosh is still catching his share on spinners and an angler who must remain nameless called the section, while I was down south, to report his steelhead catch; however, the details are not available to me.

If anyone does have any catches to report for the next issue please call during the week commencing the 3rd February as I am being banished from the streams, for the week prior to that date, to Nova Scotia where no one fishes at this time of the year.

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On this 20th anniversary of Mothers' Marches, 23,000 mothers will be calling on the people for contributions to further the foundation's worthwhile services such as speech and hearing, social and medical rehabilitation, equipment, vocational rehabilitation, etc.

CONTRACT BRIDGE
By TERRY DOYLE

If things look pretty bleak from your side of the table, they may look a lot better from the other side.

North
S Q 10 8 5 4
H A K Q 4
D J 4 2
C 10

West
S K 2
H 7 5
D 8 7 5
C A J 8 6 5 4

South
S 6 3
H J 10 9 8
D A K 10 9 5
C Q 3 2

No one vulnerable. North deals.

N E S W
1H P 2D P
2S P 4H all pass

Opening lead 6H

North was an inexperienced player and thus opened 1H instead of 1S. South was determined to get to game with his fine supporting hand and a 4H contract was the final bid. South was looking at one club looser, a possible diamond looser and heaven knows what in spades. North thought for a couple of minutes and then decided to play the hand as South would, if declarer. South would try to ruff out 2 clubs and set up his diamonds. This would be more likely to succeed rather than ruffing spades which might not be set up.

It sounded like a cross ruff hand so East led the 6 of

Trinidad Lecture



In Trinidad, Mr. Jordison was assigned to a frontier work in the oil-field area of the south-western peninsula. He, in the space of four years, organized seven new congregations, and under his direction six church buildings, ranging from thatched roofed to masonry construction, were built.

In multi-racial Trinidad, Mr. Jordison took the lead in interdenominational co-operation and organized The United Prayer Fellowship at Point Fortin which meets weekly at 6:00 a.m. with six denominations in active participation. Mr. Jordison has just completed extensive speaking tours in Ontario and Quebec and is keenly anticipating meeting with the people of British Columbia.

The Rev. Roy T. Jordison, B.A., of The United Church of Canada, Toronto, Ontario, former missionary in Trinidad, West Indies, and veteran of the R.C.A.F. in World War II, is making a speaking tour in the Province of British Columbia and will be at Courtenay United Church on Wed. 26 Feb. 1964 at 8 p.m. with full-color showing of slides on tropical Trinidad and the service of the Christian Church to the Hindus and Muslims of that land. Mr. Jordison served with 39 (RCAF) Recce Wing in Britain and in the Operations-Intelligence Branch of 2nd T.A.F. in Europe.

hearts which North won on the board.

A low club was led from the dummy, East won with the king and returned a heart won in the closed hand. A diamond was led to the A and a club was ruffed by North. Another diamond was led and the 10 held. North ruffed the dummy's last club with his A of hearts and led a final diamond, the suit splitting, 3-3. The last trump was pulled and south made the contract giving up 2 spades and a club.

"Marvellous," exclaimed south, "a dummy reversal." "Think nothing of it," said Rod. I knew what I was doing all the time."

Money Down The Drain

A New Year has begun, but probably most of us are still paying for the last one.

There are at least three effective ways to keep out of the red at Christmas time, according to Art Mellin, manager of the Courtenay branch of the Bank of Montreal.

"You can follow the Scrooge technique and just ignore the holiday. But it's not the best way to win friends and influence people. You're not likely to have much fun, either," he adds.

"Another way, and perhaps the best method, is to plan ahead and have sufficient to cover the additional expenses. This can be achieved with a special Bank of Montreal Christmas Account."

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Scouting News



Presented this month is our friendly and amiable District Cub Master, Sgt. Richard (Rick) Lewis C.D. (Sup.Tech) a native of Calgary, Alberta, presently residing in Comox village with wife, Lillian, and 13-year-old Guide Susan, Cub Sixer Richard, 10, and young potential Cub Robert, age 5. Rick told us that he has in common a birthday with three famous persons: the founder of the Boy Scouts, Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell and George Washington; the immortal date being Feb. 22. We're still trying to figure out who the third world renowned individual may be!

DCM Lewis started out in 1933 as a Cub with the Pro Cathedral Pack, Calgary, where he earned his 2nd star and his Senior Sixer stripes. One of his most cherished memories of Cubbing was personally shaking hands with our founder B.P. when he toured Canada in the early 30's (his left hand has not been washed since). We think this is a distinction that very few of our station Scouters have. Rick continued on the Scouting Trail going up to the 1st Bowness Troop. When Rick's Boy Scout days terminated he carried on as Assistant Scoutmaster with the same troop; after joining the RCAF he became active in Scouting again as a Group Committee member at Cold Lake. Scouter Lewis resumed active leadership here at Comox as an ACM of 2nd Comox (Blue) Pack and then on to the CM of the same pack, then up to his present position of DCM. Scouter Rick recently was presented with his warrant on his anniversary



COMM CENTRE

Personality of the Month Meet Cpl. R. Girard, our personality of the month. Cpl. Girard was born in Dolbeau, P.Q. in 1932. In his early teens the urge to travel got hold of him, and hence he joined the RCAF to venture forth beyond the boundaries of P.Q. Roger enlisted in 1951 in Quebec City. His postings have taken him to Borden, St. Jean, Clinton, North Bay, St. Sylvestre, MACHQ, Torbay and in 1963 he was posted to Station Comox. Roger was promoted to Corporal rank in April, 1956. He is an ardent fisherman, hunter and believes in keeping physically fit. He can usually be seen having his night workout in the gym. His wife Jeannine and their children Jean & Marcel side in PMQ's.

FILTER or PLAIN

The nurse, all clad in white, her uniform freshly starched, stood waiting in the immaculate orderliness of the hospital room for the doctor to complete his examination. The patient, a once robust and cheerful man of 35, lay wan and cheerless as though he must blend, with the sombre mood of the room and its inhabitants.

Straightening, the doctor glanced quickly at the nurse, avoided the weak questioning in the patient's eyes and began moving from the room, the nurse followed, and the stillness of the room became more

Rover Scouts and Section Scouters are subscribing to the magazine. Scout Councils all over Canada have contributed towards the launching costs of this national magazine, as a service to the youth of Canada.

Boys who are not members of the Boy Scouts movement can subscribe to the magazine at \$2.00 per year.

and more intense as life moved from it.

The door clicked. And the sign above, stark and unmoving as the patient inside, read "Cancer Ward — PRIVATE."

The patient was a victim of lung cancer, caused or aggravated by, some said, the habit of smoking.

On the heels of the ever-increasing publicity being afforded the relative pros and cons of smoking and the pleasures or dangers to be associated with it, it would not come as a surprise if such a theme as presented above were not used by Hollywood or one of the various TV networks to dramatize the inherent dangers of the tobacco habit. However, it is not my intention to dwell on this aspect of "the habit."

Frankly, I just QUIT, in company with another convert, and am merely, being of a sadistic nature, attempting to enrol further disciples to the

cause so that I shall not suffer in solitude. Misery, they say, loves company.

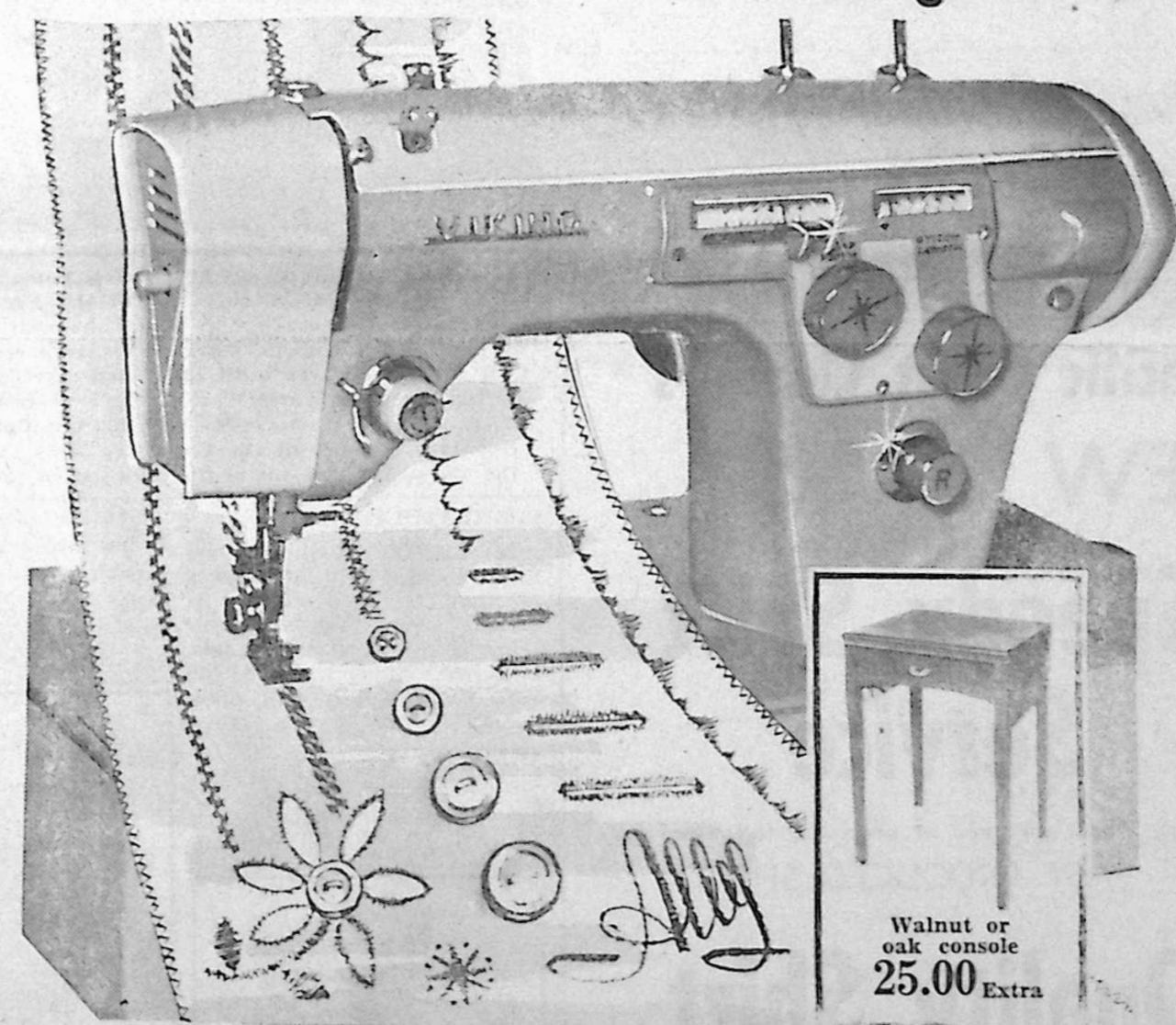
The purpose of these ramblings, then, is an attempt to convince myself, through convincing you, of the other merits of being an abstainer.

Most important, surely, is the feeling of pride to be obtained from having the will power and self-discipline to say, "no, thanks. Don't use 'em." What, in fact, you are actually saying is "no thanks, I'm not a slave to a four inch cylinder of burning vegetation."

The Hon. Judy Lamarsh, Minister of Health and Welfare (herself a convert from three decks a day), is quoted as saying that abstinence has not made her feel better, decreased her colds nor lessened her susceptibility to respiratory problems. Be that as it may, it is certain that non-smoking has not increased her complaints. Conversely, a member of the local barber shop staff maintains he has never felt better and has now a real appreciation of...

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Simply because I refuse to donate to something or other I am boycotted, talked about, lied about, held up, held down and robbed until I am almost ruined.

I can tell you honestly that, except for a miracle that happened, I could not enclose this cheque for payment. The wolf that comes to my door nowadays just had pups in my kitchen. I sold the pups and here is the money.

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The RCAF is assisting in the endeavour by having all sightings of meteorites and fireballs by air force personnel reported to the committee through Air Force Headquarters in Ottawa. In addition, regional representatives in the area would be advised. In British Columbia this is Dr. W. F. Slawson of the University of British Columbia.

A fireball is a bright meteor with a luminosity which equals or exceeds that of the brightest planets. It is usually seen moving rapidly across the sky and sometimes a trail of glowing particles is left behind. The meteor may explode with a burst of light and a loud sound. This may happen several times during a single fall. When a sufficient number of fireball observations are ob-

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Honorary Member's Birthday



The Corporal's Club at RCAF Station Comox claims to possess the oldest Honorary Member of any Corporal's Club in the RCAF. On his 85th birthday recently Mr. E. A. (Dad) Hawley, the Corporal's Club oldest honorary member, was presented with a billiard cue by the club's members, marking his anniversary. "Dad" Hawley was employed by the CPR in Toronto area until 1913, then served with the Canadian Army Expeditionary Force during the First World War. In 1919 he returned to work with the CPR retiring in 1945. He came to Comox to reside with his son, Cpl. Lloyd Hawley in 1956, and in 1960 became Honorary Member of the Corporal's Mess. The corporals at Comox, claim Dad, is not only the oldest, but also one of the most active and popular members.

CONGRATULATIONS

To MSEOPs Walter Kius, Rick Wallace and MBC Don Atkinson on their efforts in passing their trade examinations. That makes three boards in a row without a failure for MSE Comox. Jolly well done fellows!

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tained over an area 100 miles or more in extent, it becomes possible to combine the observations and predict the most probable area in which meteorites associated with the fire-

ball may have reached the surface of the earth. Since freshly fallen meteorites are of considerably more interest than old falls, sightings should be reported as soon as possible.



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Many miles away a Neptune pilot is using all his skills and strength to control his heavy aircraft, battling through the brunt of the storm at 5,000 feet, the crew flight-weary and uncomfortable in their cramped compartments attempt to retain composure while the radar operator searches for a break in the storm.

Ships strain at their moorings as wave after mountainous wave lash at them trying to tear them free. Fishing vessels and freighters are tossed about like corks as the storm attempts to destroy them, their masters straining to save them.

While all this fury is taking place three dark forms gracefully cruise 35 feet beneath the water of Comox harbour. They alter course and slowly proceed but a few from the bottom. The lowly crab waves a claw in friendly gesture then scurries off to find a hiding place. A cluster of multi-coloured sea flowers sway ever so gently as though in chorus. The silence of the depths is broken only by the rhythmic sound of air bubbles as they escape and rise towards the turbulent surface.

The three dark invaders of the depths stop, signals silently passed and once more the proceed oblivious of the storm above. An old dog fish glances up from his dinner and watches as they pass by; unconcerned, he returns to his meal as it may be some time before he finds another.

The three SCUBA divers are now approaching the wharf and as they ascend they are faced with the reality of the turbulent surface, they level off at 15 feet and move in a little closer surfacing beside the barnacle encrusted log floats.

Walking towards their cars another routine training dive completed, they glance back at the wild waves, and are held in awe at the tranquility that only they can find whilst the storm rages.

FRED RACE, vice-pres. and instructor
King Neptune Divers, RCAF Comox.

Infirmiry News

The staff of the Infirmiry wish to extend a long overdue welcome to its latest additions.

Our new Pharmacist, F/L Howes from SU Metz, a new nursing sister, F/O Blake from Goose Bay, Medical Assistant Cpl. McGrath from Torbay Nfld. and LAC Hindle from NDMC Ottawa. We sincerely hope all enjoy their tour at Comox.

Fond regards from all the staff to LAW (Mrs.) Deanna Baldwin on her recent release from the service. I guess all her time will be taken up anx-

iously knitting little booties and things.

Congratulations to LAC Hindle on his recent marriage to Ursula. Another permanent fixture removed from the Totem Inn. Too bad Jim, all that beer money gone to beans now.

SPORTS PROGRAM

Ted Reynolds, seen week-nights at 11:27 on CBUT's "Sports Final", is now being presented each weekday evening on CBC radio in a behind-the-scenes sports report.

Titled "Spotlight on Sports" the program is heard from 5:55 to 6:00 p.m.

Any Bright Ideas From Your Wife?

When a woman says she's got a bright idea, trot her right down to the Patent Office.

It was found surprisingly that women not only turn out fine meals, but cook up some of the top money-making inventions.

In fact women have taken over a huge portion of what is popularly presumed to be a male advocacy.

Examination of patent records in Canada, U.S. and Britain has shown that women's ingenuity plays a great part in evolution of the modern automobile from a bouncing, smelly, motorized buckboard to the sleek, smooth-running and attractive vehicle of today.

In fact women hold patents on everything from the windshield wiper, to the engine block and tail pipe. The fair sex has helped shape the modern automobile from bumper to glove compartment. Both these items — taken completely for granted today — were invented by women.

Investigators tracked down the very first patent ever issued to a person in North America. You guessed it. It was a woman's inventiveness. But her husband took all the credit and got the patent.

This was in 1710. The British government issued a patent to a "Thomas Masters, planter of Pennsylvania" for a "Invention" for cleaning and curing of Indian corn "found out by Sybille, his wife."

Whether or not British law would have permitted Sybille Masters to take out her own patent is not as important as the fact it was conspicuously against custom in those days.

for women to do such a bold thing, indicate to the whole world she might have a brain. Unladylike.

Today, women inventors hold patents on an unbelievable range of articles including railroad bed construction and rolling stock, internal combustion engines.

The creative thought of women has entered with much success into the realm of transportation, agriculture, manufacturing, mining, quarrying, building and construction, chemical and scientific processes, medicine and a score or more lines.

Women hold patents on auto bodies and parts, car tires and tire attachments, auto accessories, traffic signals and indicators, safety gear and roller bearings.

Today there are many thousands of individual patents connected with improving the family car issued to the fair sex.

The list is amazing. Women hold patents on axles, bodies, truck brakes, emergency brakes, the self-adjusting brake shoe, carburetor, clutch mechanism, exhaust mufflers, grease cups, jack, piston and packing ring, piston rod, priming mechanisms, wheel rims, spark plugs, anti-skid tires, machines for making inner tubes, metallic inner casings for tires to prevent punctures, right down to valves for the inner tube valve stem.

It was a woman's inventiveness which brought us the windshield wiper, headlight dimmer button, stop signal, gasoline indicator, footrest, glove compartment and finally the child-carrying attachment you hook onto the seat to give your tad a comfortable ride and let him see what's going on.

It was a woman who was responsible for the automatic windshield wiper. That was in 1912. The inventress was asked by the Women's Bureau of the U.S. Department of Labor: "What circumstances led you to invent a cleaning device for the windshield?" The good lady replied: "While driving my automobile, the rain came down in sheets which caused me to drive up to the curb and wait for the rain to subside. The thought came to me that something could be devised to clean the windshield and permit driving in rain and snow. I devised it."

It is true not all inventions patented by women were successful. A Montana woman invented an adjustable horse collar in 1923 for instance. She wrote: "Having a personal experience with horses, I

407 DIARY

Feb. 15 — I saw the worst crash since "R" at North Coates. Danny Blesser went in "H" to do an air test, and pulled up half way down the run-way and started a steep climb. He was about 100' up and got out of the wind and the engines pulling with all their might, but to no good. As he started to stall, then the nose went down in a dive. It caught fire instantly on hitting the ground about a quarter mile away. The whole crew of five were killed, they were Lt. Danny Blesser, FS Matthews, Sgt. Taylor, Sgt. Soakes and Sgt. Westel.

March 10 — We sent four kites out in co-operation with the Navy and did alright. S/L Farrell, P/O Biddell, F/O O'Connor, F/L Brown, W/O Grant and W/O Packowski went in "A" and reported they blew a sub all to blazes, amid a great deal of flack, but they didn't get hit. They left at 3:30 p.m. and got back at 6:30 a.m.

found it very difficult to fit a small collar on a large horse." Good idea but it didn't catch on. The automobile was on its way up and the horse, out.

Women's inventions play an immense role in shaping our world. Every day around the globe they obtain letters patent on a wide range of devices — election and registration conveniences, athletic equipment, fishing gear, mechanical teaching aids, sanitary equipment and thousands of medical, surgical and dental inventions.

It would not be wise for any mere male to discourage feminine intrusion into the invention market.

As far back as 1925 women in the U.S. alone held 22 patents on firearms and ammunition. In addition, women inventors are active in the field of burial equipment.

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RECREATION NEWS

Pre-Midget Basketball Tournament

Comox Valley Championship Boys - Courtenay; Girls - Union Bay.

Drivers are urgently needed for these tournaments. If you can drive please contact Mrs. Leuszler, 339-3638.

Rummage Sale

Anyone wishing to donate

items for rummage sale to be held February 1st (proceeds for PMQ recreation projects), please leave at the following addresses:

Mrs. Bond, 60A, 339-2418;
Mrs. O'Shea, 108D, 339-2810;
Mrs. Leuszler, 118G, 339-3638;
Mrs. Douglas, 114G, 339-2845;
Mrs. Kelly, A5, 339-3783;
Mrs. Cormier, 90A, 339-2030;
Mrs. Perry, 37, 339-2951.

Sale will be held in the lower hall of Native Sons, Courtenay, February 1, at 10 a.m. PMQ RECREATION OFFICE Entrance through tailor shop. If you would like the items picked up please call Mrs. Leuszler.

Baton Twirlers

Note new time—12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., PMQ School gym. Miss C. Button, instructor.

Chess Club News

Winners of Chess Sets — Ricky Wile, Maryann Berg.



Nighthawk News

409 Sqn is continuing its rapid turnover of personnel; rapidly enough in fact that it is difficult for some of the wives to keep track of who's who.

On the credit side we have added F/L Gord Larkin and F/L Gus Meinert to "A" flight with F/L Gerry Davidson and F/L Tiny McDonald now undergoing the arduous combat-ready training. It is hoped that their tour at Comox will be a long and enjoyable one.

We have also seen two departures this month; F/O Burt Sanders to Portage to prepare for instructing duties and F/O Tom Bogle to Cold Lake as C/ Admin Officer.

Now that 409 Sqn, Traffic Control personnel and the local population have gotten over the surprisingly quiet "That Was The War That Never Was" in the wee hours of Friday, 24 Jan., perhaps it would be in order to consider the inadvisability of publicising such an even to any degree. It is amazing what consternation can result when the general public is told about something that the organizers know nothing of.

Filter or plain

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... The third argument in favor of cutting "the weed", is taste and smell. He asserts that eating is no longer a feeling of duty to his physical well-being; instead, he is able to experience the pleasures of truly enjoying a well prepared meal and of having an aesthetic feeling of anticipation toward the next. In addition, his awareness of all the small pleasures to be derived from taste and smell has increased beyond anticipation. He is an obviously happy man.

Another convert with whom I recently spoke has assured me that his "cigarette money", (now being saved at the rate of approximately \$350 per year), will comfortably handle the down payment on his house when retirement time arrives. And I'll wager he'll enjoy the pleasures of his new home increasingly as he hears no echo of his previous hacking cough from the freshly painted walls. And that brings me to my last argument against the "weed."

Ever notice the difference between a smoker's and a non-smoker's home? I have. One seems to have the freshness and crispness of a bright Spring day. The other? Well, you're the smoker, or you wouldn't have borne with me thus far.

And now, if you'll excuse me, I just happen to have 35c and the cigarette machine is colorfully conspicuously beckoning. Won't you join me in just one more cigarette...?

John W. Hope

Tim DeCrane.

Basketball Tournament Results

Juvenile Girls League — 1st, Cumberland; 2nd, RCAF.

Bantam Girls League — 1st, RCAF; 2nd, RCAF; 3rd, Union Bay; 4th, Cumberland.

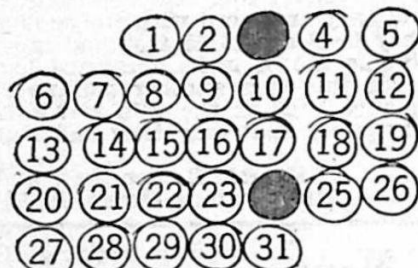
Midget Boys League — 1st, RCAF; 2nd, RCAF; 3rd, Union Bay.

Stamp and Coin Club

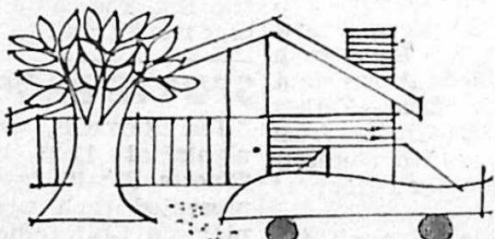
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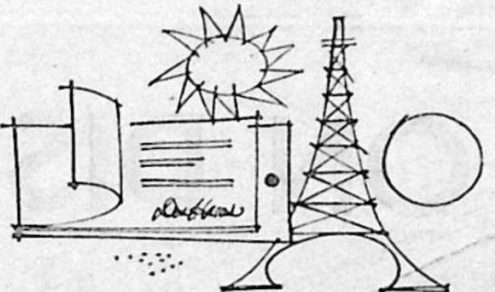
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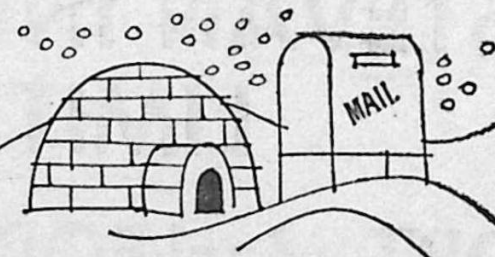
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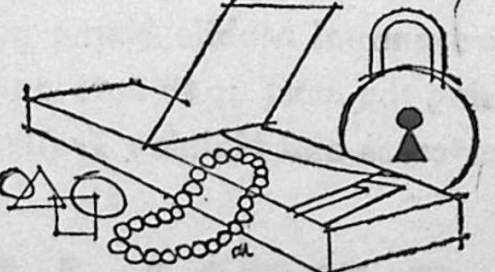
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Harem Highlights

Being a woman is a terribly difficult task, since it consists principally in dealing with men.

SPRING PREVIEW

"As days grow longer their extra light is like a love letter from Spring."

Have you noticed the Spring Fashion Magazine?

The lines are simple and tailored, yet they subtly recognize the body beneath.

Now is the time to take off those few extra pounds that you put on over the Christmas holidays, but you must remember for your health sake, reduce your weight slowly—only a pound or two a week. Begin now, don't put it off any longer.

MEETINGS
The Corporals' Wives Club held their first meeting of the year January 17. An election of officers took place — Fran Tackaberry is their president; Nell Craig their vice-president; treasurer is Terry Charbonneau; vice-treasurer is Audrey Pollock. All nominations will be effective as of February '64.

On the entertainment committee they have Kay Harshy and Marilyn O'Shea. The news reporter is Dorrie Estlin; her phone number is 339-3125.

Their next meeting will be held February 4th at 8:30 in the Corporal's Club.

The Officers' Wives Club will meet in the Officer's Mess Feb. 5th at 8:30. There will be a White Elephant Sale. Bring all those little nick-nacks that you are not using around the house with you and somebody might just buy them.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK
"Rare is the person who can weigh the faults of others without putting his thumb on the scales."

COOKING DEPT.
How to cook Spaghetti

A large pan is important to cook any pasta—spaghetti, macaroni, fine noodles, and lasagne. Use lots of water — 3 quarts is minimum for cooking eight ounces of pasta. Add one teaspoon salt for each quart of water.

Help prevent sticking by adding a teaspoon of olive oil to the water, especially when cooking large pasta. Hold a handful at one end, dip the other into the water. As spaghetti softens, curl it around in pan till immersed.

Don't cover; stir at the start to prevent sticking. Keep the water boiling. Cook till tender, but still firm. Don't overcook. Drain at once.

Use a light touch when you are grating lemon or orange rind so there's no bitter flavor. Don't grate any of the white skin under the rind.

Use salad oil to lubricate the kitchen equipment that comes in contact with food, such as your egg beater or mixer beaters.

SAYINGS
God gave us two ends to use: We sit on one; with the other we muse.

Success depends on which you use, Heads you win; tails you lose!

A short rule of life: Do what you can—with what you have — where you are—today.

Money will buy a dog, but it won't buy the wag of his tail.

Many things are opened by mistake. None so often as the mouth.

POEM
JUNQUE
I save handless cups and cracked pots,
Outdated patterns and yarn with knots,
Scrappings of wrappings from gifts friends bring,
And too-short-to-use pieces of string.
Empty jars that I have no use for,
I'd clean it out Now Today without fail
But I'm on my way to a rummage sale.

Universally acclaimed as the greatest musical picture Hollywood has ever made, West Side Story monopolized the 1962 Academy Award stage and carried of no less than ten Oscars. The management of the Station Theatre is pleased to announce that this masterpiece of the modern screen has been obtained for a five-night run, commencing Wednesday, February 26. This is definitely a picture that everyone should plan to see.

WEST SIDE STORY
NATALIE WOOD
RICHARD BEYMER RUSS TAMBLYN
RITA MORENO GEORGE CHAKIRIS

Thursday, January 30
Saturday, February 1
OKLAHOMA
Gordon MacRae
Shirley Jones

Matinee, February 1
SANTA FE
Randolph Scott

Sunday, February 2
MR. TOPAZE
Peter Sellers
Herbert Lom
Nadia Grey

Tuesday, February 4
CONVICTS FOUR
Stuart Whitman
Ben Gazzara

Thursday, February 6
Saturday, February 8
THE BIG GAMBLE
Stephen Boyd
Juliette Greco
David Wayne

Matinee, February 8
NO HOLDS BARRED
The Bowery Boys

Sunday, February 9
MY SIX LOVES
Debbie Reynolds
Cliff Robertson

Tuesday, February 11
THE LONG, THE SHORT AND THE TALL
Lawrence Harvey
Richard Todd
Restricted

Thurs., Sat., 13-15 Feb.
WRONG ARM OF THE LAW
Peter Sellers
Lionel Jeffries
Nanette Newman

RCAF personnel participate in winter gymkhana

On Sunday, 19 January, 26 sports car drivers braved the snow and rain to meet at the Miracle Beach parking lot where the Upper Island Sports Car Club of Courtenay sponsored their winter gymkhana.

The gymkhana course, organized by Cpl. Mick Standing and LAC Niel Seares, was originally set up for a dry asphalt surface, yet for the event itself the track received about eight inches of snow.

Neither wet feet nor cold hands could dampen the enthusiasm of either the competitors or the audience which gathered to watch the cars spin and slide through the snow, sometimes slush, packed course.

Aiding Cpl. Andy Anderson as marshal of the event were assistant-marshals John Ellis, Mike Rawlings and Whitley.

RESULTS - TOP THREE IN CLASS

Small Sports Class:— Don Murray (VMSC, Midget); Robert Kirk (UISCC), Sprite 2; Jean Baker (UISCC), MGA 1500.

Large Sports Class:— Mike

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Money will buy a dog, but it won't buy the wag of his tail.

Many things are opened by mistake. None so often as the mouth.

POEM
JUNQUE
I save handless cups and cracked pots,
Outdated patterns and yarn with knots,
Scrappings of wrappings from gifts friends bring,
And too-short-to-use pieces of string.
Empty jars that I have no use for,
I'd clean it out Now Today without fail
But I'm on my way to a rummage sale.

Universally acclaimed as the greatest musical picture Hollywood has ever made, West Side Story monopolized the 1962 Academy Award stage and carried of no less than ten Oscars. The management of the Station Theatre is pleased to announce that this masterpiece of the modern screen has been obtained for a five-night run, commencing Wednesday, February 26. This is definitely a picture that everyone should plan to see.

WEST SIDE STORY
NATALIE WOOD
RICHARD BEYMER RUSS TAMBLYN
RITA MORENO GEORGE CHAKIRIS

Thursday, January 30
Saturday, February 1
OKLAHOMA
Gordon MacRae
Shirley Jones

Matinee, February 1
SANTA FE
Randolph Scott

Sunday, February 2
MR. TOPAZE
Peter Sellers
Herbert Lom
Nadia Grey

Tuesday, February 4
CONVICTS FOUR
Stuart Whitman
Ben Gazzara

Thursday, February 6
Saturday, February 8
THE BIG GAMBLE
Stephen Boyd
Juliette Greco
David Wayne

Matinee, February 8
NO HOLDS BARRED
The Bowery Boys

Sunday, February 9
MY SIX LOVES
Debbie Reynolds
Cliff Robertson

Tuesday, February 11
THE LONG, THE SHORT AND THE TALL
Lawrence Harvey
Richard Todd
Restricted

Thurs., Sat., 13-15 Feb.
WRONG ARM OF THE LAW
Peter Sellers
Lionel Jeffries
Nanette Newman

Being a woman is a terribly difficult task, since it consists principally in dealing with men.

"As days grow longer their extra light is like a love letter from Spring."

Have you noticed the Spring Fashion Magazine?

The lines are simple and tailored, yet they subtly recognize the body beneath.

Now is the time to take off those few extra pounds that you put on over the Christmas holidays, but you must remember for your health sake, reduce your weight slowly—only a pound or two a week. Begin now, don't put it off any longer.

MEETINGS
The Corporals' Wives Club held their first meeting of the year January 17. An election of officers took place — Fran Tackaberry is their president; Nell Craig their vice-president; treasurer is Terry Charbonneau; vice-treasurer is Audrey Pollock. All nominations will be effective as of February '64.

On the entertainment committee they have Kay Harshy and Marilyn O'Shea. The news reporter is Dorrie Estlin; her phone number is 339-3125.

Their next meeting will be held February 4th at 8:30 in the Corporal's Club.

The Officers' Wives Club will meet in the Officer's Mess Feb. 5th at 8:30. There will be a White Elephant Sale. Bring all those little nick-nacks that you are not using around the house with you and somebody might just buy them.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK
"Rare is the person who can weigh the faults of others without putting his thumb on the scales."

COOKING DEPT.
How to cook Spaghetti

A large pan is important to cook any pasta—spaghetti, macaroni, fine noodles, and lasagne. Use lots of water — 3 quarts is minimum for cooking eight ounces of pasta. Add one teaspoon salt for each quart of water.

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Rigby (VMSC), TR3A; Dick Bolding (NSCC), MGA 1600; Archie Campbell (VMSC), TR-3A.

Small Sedan Class:—LAC Bill Carson, (Non-aff) Mini; John McEachern (VMSC), Austin

A35; Sgt. John Balfour (UISCC) VW-KG.

Large Sedans Class:—John Pace (UISCC), Corvair; LAC Bruce Collins (UISCC) Volvo; F/O Vern Vourist (UISCC), a Corvair.

Classified Ads
To place an advert, please contact Mrs. Diana Abel, secretary to the CTSO, phone local 416. All ads are to be prepaid.

NOTICES
If there is a drinking problem in your own home or that of a relative, maybe Al-Anon can help you. For further information write to Box 285 or phone 339-2128 or 334-4855.

Are you faced with a drinking problem? Perhaps Alcoholics Anonymous can help. Write to Post Office Box 515, RCAF Station Comox, B.C. Weekly meetings on Monday, 2030 at the Protestant Chapel Annex.

MOBILE HOMES
TRANSFERRED — Must sell. 14' General Travel Trailer. Equipped with Propane stove and oven, ice box, sink, Propane and electric lights, sleeps 4. Ready to go. \$850. Phone 339-2462, after 5 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS
WHEN YOU need the best television service call 339-2748 — T. E. Campbell (BSC Tech). Well qualified and completely equipped. Many years' experience, a full-time service. Prices strictly ethical. Located at Kin Beach, very convenient for PMQs. Tubes checked free at workshop.

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