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## Forbidden Plateau Comes to Life

Vancouver Island's nearly forgotten Forbidden Plateau seems to be coming to life again, after several years of virtual
obscurity. Within the past two months, two major announcements; one concerning a locally organized Winter Carnival, and another describing a projected $\$ 100,000$ skiing development have started people wondering why the plateau has been ignored so long.
The Comox Valley winter Carnival, sponsored by the centred around the Vancouver Island Ski Championships, 1964. It has long been feit that the sport possibilities of the plateau needed only proper publicizing to gain support for improved facilities, and a final solution to the recurrent and ownership problem. This year the Comox Valley Winter Carnival will bring a weekend of parades, a snow Queen concouple of doys of cum in the snow to the Comox Valley on the 28th, 29th January, and 1st March.
The big event of the weekChampionships, to be held on March 1 at the Ski Club slopes just above the Forbidden Plateau Lodge.
This project had only been uncierway for a couple of months, when a new source of he Plateau showed up.
Henry Stadibauer, a ski pro
rom Montreal, and Mike Res ick, a financier, also of Monteal, announced their intenon to start a $\$ 100,000$ ski deelopment in the area of the Forbiden Plateau dabe. They pian to run two the top of Wood's lodge ain nearly of Wood's Moundidition to 2,000 feet above. In See Forbidden Plateau (Continued on Page 6)

## Lancasters To Retire

The last three Second World War Lancaster aircraft now in service in the RCAF will retire on April 1, the Air Force anounced recently.

The retirement coincides with the move of 408 Photo Reconnaissance Squadron from RCAF Station Rockcliffe to Station Uplands near Ottawa.
The Lancasters, which flew more than 156,000 sorties during the war, were used exlensively in the post-war years by the RCAF on anti-submarduties on photorraphic sur

The Air Officer Commanding Maritime Air Command, ter, AFC, CD, will visit RCAF Station Comox, February 17, 18 and 19.
vey work and on search and rescue operation across Canada.
The aircraft were phased out of anti-submarine duties with Maritime Air Command in 1959 and transferred to search and rescue operations. They were replaced on search and rescue duties by North Star aircraft last year.
In 1949, 408 Squadron was re-formed at Station Rockeliffe and commenced operation with Lancasters. The squadron was charged with the task of carrying out aerial photogra phy and to experiment in the use or shoran for geodetic control in aerial photography.

See Lancasters Retire
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## New 7 Million Dollar

## Scientific Vessel Commissioned

On Saturday, February 1st, in St. Peter's Church, Comox, Wing Commander Graham united in holy matrimony. In the wedding party were S/L John Lind, best man; Mrs. Lilly Lefcoe and Miss Jane Foye, bridesmaids; and Harry Weber who gave the bride away in the ceremony. Flying Officer Bob Reid and F/O Bob Wanless were ushers.
After the wedding, a reception was held in the Officer's Mess at RCAF Station Comox. As the happy couple entered he mess, two CF-101 Voodoos from 409 Squadron, of which the groom is commanding ofto toast the bride and cheer the couple on the way to their new life.

- W/C and Mrs. Inglis plan to honeymoon in vancouver an
Mexico.
A.O.C. TO VISIT

OTTAWA - Canada's new $\$ 7$ million oceanographic reScientific Ship the Canadian be commissioned February 14 in Halifax the Hon William M. Benidickson, Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys, announced today.
The new vessel will be attached to the fleet at the department's Bedford Institute of Oceanography at Dartmouth, N.S.
One of the most modern research vessels afloat, the 294foot Hudson of 4,200 tons displacement has been under construction since early in 1961, and is already over a year been caused by the problems involved in building a ship of such complexity. The vessel was designed by Gilmore, German and Milne of Montreal and built by Saint John Shipbullding and Dry Dock Company Ltd. at Saint John, N.B.
The Hudson has a cruising range of 15,000 nautical miles and a speed of over 17 knots.

## PERSONALITIES



FS McMullin, this month's become older.
station personality, works with he armament section of 407 quadron. Born in Blytheswood ontario, Stan is married and has four chndiren; two boys was raised in Vencouver, Byy, FS MeMullin began dancing when he was eight years old and has an extensive back With his wife square dancing With his wife, he has attended and conducted square dance Europe They both hove enorned many diplomas in square and round dencing suare and Two of their
Two of their children are aready experienced dancers, so per cent score for Stan that soon as the two other children

A floating laboratory, it is capable of hydrographic and oceanographic work anywhere in the world, but it will serve mainly in the Arctic and Atly booked for 1964. its main tour of duty being a full-scale tour of duty being a rull-scale
geophysical investigation of Hudson Bay during July, August and September.
The Hudson has a number of outstanding features:
It is fitted with the most It is fitted with the most and hydrographic aids, including precise racar, echo sounders, both long and short range positioning devices that will greatly extend the scope of the hydrographer, and with tworange Lambda, an electronic positioning system.
It is equipped with special mechanisms to control and regulate the ship movement
during oceanographic observation and measurement.

It has modern chart rooms See New 7 Million (Continued on Page 3)

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McMulin and his wife have already taught dancing to more than 500 pupils and intend to continue teaching here in Comox. Stan and Evy square wheing a regular from this Fridn frogramme ai $7: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ in the PMQ Sehool 7:00 p.m. in the FMQ School. Classes will be opened for children from the age of nine, with in addition, a special class or teenagers.
Parents are invited to bring their children to square dancing each and every Friday. This wholesome and happy hobby can certainly be enjoyed by the whole family. So this
year, FACE YOUR PARTNERS AND ... HAVE FUN.



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