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409 OFFICER EARNS BLACK BELT



Wing Commander G. Inglis, CO of 409 Squadron made the presentation to Flying Officer Bruce de L'Hotbiniere-Harwood.

Flying Officer Harwood was presented with a black belt on behalf of the Judo Club, following his recent promotion to Shodan (1st degree black belt holder) by the officials of the British Columbia Black Belt Association.

To wear a black belt is the goal of everyone participating

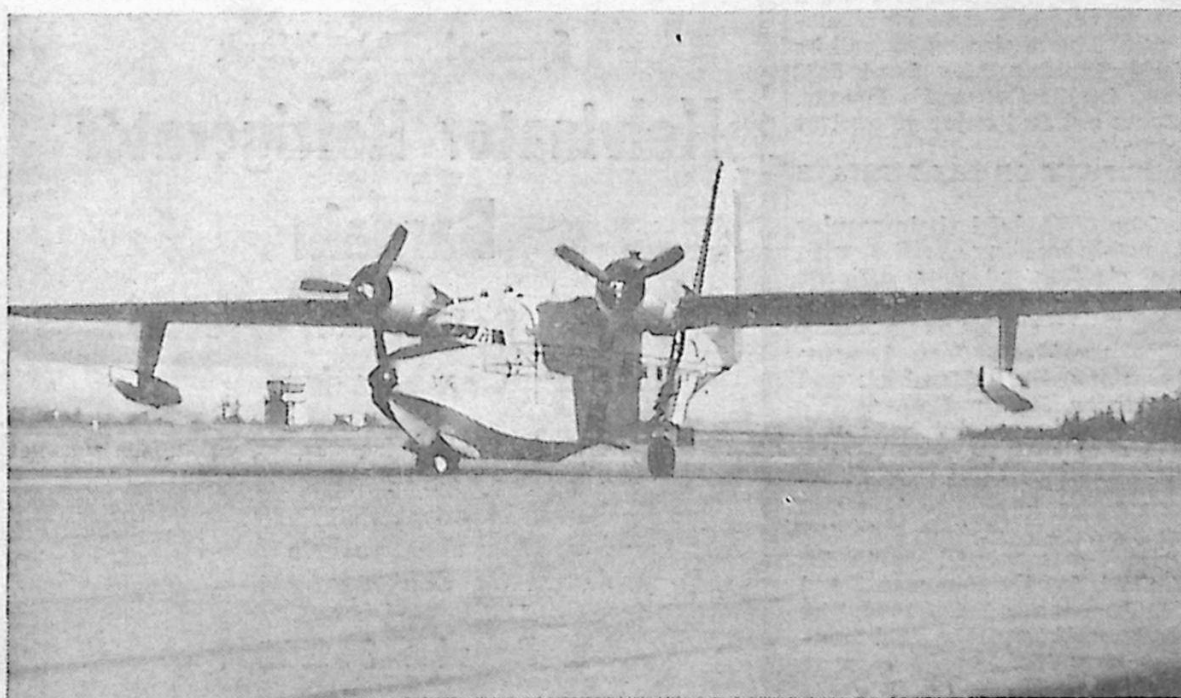
in Judo. It is the dividing line between the amateur and the expert. The promotion requirements are rigidly set by a grading board. Applicants are carefully screened and must be recommended for their character, experience, leadership, technical knowledge and proficiency, and must also have a good tournament record.

CAS VISITS AUSTRALIA



A/M C. R. Dunlap is welcomed to Australia by A/M Sir Valston Hancock (centre) and G/C W. K. Bolitho, officer commanding RAAF base, Fairbairn. In background, Mrs. Dunlap meets Lady Hancock.

ALBATROSS AT COMOX



A more and more frequent sight at Comox will be the Grumman Albatross. 121 Search and Rescue owns three Albatrosses. Unmistakable at a distance since the Canso has been retired from service, the Albatross should be readily identified in the pattern around our airport.

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Air Marshal C. R. Dunlap, CBE, returned to Canada last month from an official visit to New Zealand and Australia, the first ever made "down under" by an RCAF chief of the air staff.

Leaving Ottawa in the grip of winter in mid-February, the CAS's Yukon flew via Vancouver across the Pacific and, after a 14½ hour non-stop flight from Honolulu, landed

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Christmas Seal Campaign Success

Proceeds from the sale of Christmas Seals in the Courtenay-Comox area in the 1963-64 season reached \$3,464, an increase of 4.7 per cent over the \$3,305 total realized in the previous year. The campaign was conducted by a committee of the Soroptimist Club under the chairmanship of Miss H. Towler.

The 1963-64 Christmas Seal campaign was the most successful ever conducted in B.C., according to figures released by H. S. McDonald, president of the B.C. Tuberculosis Society.

A total of \$303,347 was realized from the sale of Christmas Seals throughout the province. This represents an increase of \$30,350 or 11 per cent over the returns of the previous year.

"British Columbia showed the greatest percentage of increase of any province in Canada this year," said Mr. McDonald, in expressing thanks to the public for their generous response.

"The additional money is badly needed to carry out the extensive programme for which we have budgeted. In addition to providing grants towards the construction of various health centres we have increased our contributions towards research. The most important new item in this field is the financing of a new respiratory disease section with the Faculty of Medicine at the University of British Columbia.

"We are also heavily committed with our share of the Operation Doorstep mass community anti-tuberculosis testing programme. This is scheduled to cover most of the larger centres in the province by 1966. Operation Doorstep in Vancouver, now under way, is the largest single undertaking in which we have participated."

Mr. McDonald reported that the Society is presently considering a grant to aid the construction of the new Health Centre proposed for Courtenay.



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Letter From Ottawa

Ottawa,
April 10th, 1964.

Editor,
RCAF Totem Times,
Comox, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I recently returned from visiting some of the stricken areas by flood and tidal wave on the west coast. Many people, as you are no doubt aware, have lost their houses, cars and all of their belongings, their businesses and their incomes and only have the clothes they stand up in.

Much help is being given of an emergency nature but these people who have shown tremendous courage and fortitude do need money to help them rebuild their lives, their businesses and their homes from the destruction that now surrounds them.

I would ask you therefore through the medium of your newspaper to publicize in every way that you can the Alberni Valley and West Coast Disaster Fund and make clear to your readers that the fund does need money and that the victims of the flood will be forever grateful.

Anything you can do in this regard would be heartily appreciated. I remain,

Yours sincerely,
WILLIAM I. MACADAM, President,
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Harem Hi-Lites

By GAY WELLS

OFFICERS' WIVES CLUB

My heartfelt congratulations go out to the president of the club, Bunny Moad and her very ambitious committee for bringing to us a most successful evening at the mess on April 8th. Approximately 200 members and guests came out to watch the Fashion Show.

Gray's Apparel of Port Alberni and Vancouver were responsible for the many oohs and aahs heard throughout the show. Chic sportswear, casual elegance in afternoon ensembles and delightful cocktail dresses were gracefully modelled by members of the club. Putting their best foot forward and wearing beautiful and creative hair-styles from the House of Vienna, Courtenay, were models, Mrs. Mary Croft, Mary Jacobson, Arzell Hyer, Gwen Lind, Laura Fillion, Pauline Doyle and Betty Mason.

The door prize was won by Sybil Sowden and a guest, Mrs. Alice Leighton, Courtenay, was the lucky winner of the PWA trip to Vancouver and return. Congratulations Alice, and enjoy yourself.

SR. NCO'S WIVES' CLUB

The club met Monday, April 13 and enjoyed an evening of social games. The door prize was won by Mrs. P. Nixon. The president, Irene Cooke, welcomed Mrs. Lola Wile, G. Nichols, Phyllis Nixon, Evelyn McMullen and Mrs. Mary Clark, who were new members and guests of the evening.

CORPORALS WIVES' CLUB

A special membership drive and social evening was held in the lounge on April 7. Fran Thackaberry, president of the club, gave a warm welcome to the new members. Bingo and whist were played and the highlight of the evening was a comedy skit on hat fashions, commented by Mrs. Joyce Bailey. Modelling their own creations were Mrs. Kay Harschey, Terry Charbonneau, Irene Taylor, Hazel Brown, Marylyn O'Shea, Joan Szecezbaniwicz and Audrey Pollock. The door prize was won by Mrs. Jean White. The evening was then concluded with a delightful luncheon. Thanks go out to all who attended and aided in making the evening a success. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, May 5, at 8:30 p.m. in the Corporal's Lounge. Come out and enjoy yourselves girls.

OUR LADY OF THE AIRWAYS C.W.L.

The C.W.L. held their regular monthly meeting, April 6, with an election of new officers. Heading the organization is Mrs. Peggy Coates as president. Vice president, Jean Dewan; secretary, Ruth Kendrick and treasurer, Evelyn Fraser.

A very successful bake sale was held April 18 and a special thank you goes out to the convener Mrs. Marg Bouchier and to all who contributed to the sale. Proceeds will go to Fr. Bullock for the Diocesan Fund for Vocation to Priesthood. The next meeting will be held Monday, May 4th.

SOCIAL

Mrs. Mary Inglis has been very busy recently entertaining the wives of 409 Squadron at a series of teas at her residence in Comox. This was a big undertaking, Mary, but a wonderful way to get acquainted with the girls in the relaxed atmosphere of your home.

F.L. Ron Pratt arrived home, April 10, after having spent the past 14 weeks at Staff School in Toronto. Hi Alice, nice to see you back.

S/L and Mrs. Cal Rushton were hosts to 32 guests at a

Chapel Chimes

PROTESTANT CHAPEL S/L S. M. PARKHOUSE

SUNDAY SERVICES 1100 hrs—DIVINE WORSHIP

1100 hrs—NURSERY IN THE CHAPEL ANNEX.

0930 hrs—JUNIOR CHURCH FOR THOSE 9 YRS. AND UNDER IN THE CHAPEL.

1100 hrs—CHURCH (SUNDAY) SCHOOL IN WALLACE Gdns. SCHOOL FOR THOSE 3 to 8 YRS (INCL.).

HOLY COMMUNION—1200 hrs the SECOND Sunday of the Month.

HOLY COMMUNION (ANGLICAN)—1210 hrs. the THIRD Sunday of the Month.

HOLY BAPTISM—Sundays by appointment.

Senior Choir Practice—2000 hrs. every Thursday.

Junior Choir Practice—1800 hrs. every Thursday.

Ladies Guild—2000 hrs. the THIRD Tuesday of the Month.

Young Peoples—1900 hrs Sunday in the Chapel Annex. Study Group—2030 hrs Sunday.

cocktail party held in their home, Saturday evening, April 18th. Following delectable hors d'oeuvres and cocktails, the host and guests departed for the mess to attend the Annual Spring Formal.

IN PASSING

It was noted that a bus load of RCAF officers returning from Naden last week, after attending Mr. Hellyer's speech in Integration, was flagged down by an irate motorist near Nanaimo. It seems that the rear wheels of the bus had thrown a stone and chipped the windshield of the car. A very upset young lady detached herself from the car and asked the driver if his Bus Company was going to pay for damages. Embarrassed, the driver replied "Ma'am, we are not a Bus Company, we are in the Service." Quite flustered at this point she said: "Oh, Army, Navy, Air Force... or what are you?" Whereupon a voice rang out from the bus: "Lady, we don't know either!"

OVERHEARD TALKING

the day after early retirement

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHAPEL S/L H. THOMAS

SUNDAY MASSES: 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 5 p.m., in the Station Chapel.

WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday—4:35 p.m. Wednesday, 8 p.m. Saturday, 9:30 a.m. Confessions: Before all Masses and Saturday, 7 to 8 p.m.

Baptism: Sundays by appointment.

Nursery in the Parish Hall, Sundays, for 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses.

Catechism: Tuesday at 4 p.m. in the Wallace Gardens School.

Senior Choir Practice—Tuesday at 8 p.m.

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.

plan was made known, were two 43-year-old 407 pilots... JOE—"How did you spend the night friend?" DOUG—"I cried myself to sleep." JOE—"Ya, me too."

HATCHERY DEPT.

To LAC and Mrs. J. Drapeau, March 31, a daughter.

To LAC and Mrs. W. King, April 1, a daughter.

To S/L and Mrs. E. Moore, April 3, a son.

To LAC and Mrs. Grant, April 6, a son.

To LAC and Mrs. J. Smith, April 7, a son.

To LAC and Mrs. R. McLellan, April, a daughter.

To LAC and Mrs. K. Bell, April 9, a son.

To LAC and Mrs. M. Waite, April 10, a daughter.

To Cpl. and Mrs. W. Lawrence, April 10, a son.

To LAC and Mrs. V. White, April 10, a son.

To F/O and Mrs. L. Corney, April 12, a daughter.

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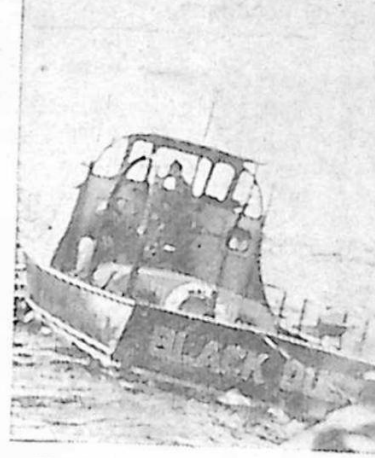
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Marine Section OLD DIVERS OR BOLD DIVERS



Your reporter has been on leave and has been neglecting this column. I spent part of my leave in Victoria which I think in the spring is one of the loveliest cities in Canada. The fish were biting down that way and that helped too. Things are quiet at the section with one rescue which resolved itself, and a couple of trips to Powell River.

The tides have been very low during the daytime and there have been a lot of oysters picked and clams dug. If you are thinking of going in for

any of these activities, make sure that the oyster bed is not leased. The boys are doing a bit of trout fishing up around Fry Lake, but it has been spotty. Some days you get your limit, other days you get a cold, if you don't know where to fish a good investment is a fish and hunting map of the area which any sporting goods store carries.

I said a while back that I would give some data on the Crash Boats. The hull is made of steel, length 40 ft., beam 11 ft., draft 38", max. speed 20.3 knots (1,960 r.p.m.), normal cruising speed 15 knots, weight 12 tons, max. cargo on passenger load, 5,000 lbs., cruising range 200 miles, powered by two G.M. diesels, 165 h.p. each and twin screws; it should be realized that the speed is subject to weather. There has been to our knowledge only one of these boats lost and it was American Coast Guard; it went down in the mouth of the Columbia River with all hands. They are good sea boats if you know their limitations. See you on the waterfront.

—Ancient Mariner

SALUTE TO STATION SCOUTER



LAC CLINTON GUY

We present to our readers this month LAC Clinton Guy, S.Tech (CE) native of North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. Residing in Royston with his wife, the former Donna Crowther of Sydney Mines, and son, 4-year-old potential Cub, Clinton George.

Scouter Guy started Scouting as a Cub and progressed up to troop with 1st North Sydney where he achieved his Queen Scout, highest grade in Troop Scouting. One of the

memorable events in Scouting for Clint was attending the 1953 Canadian Jamboree at Connaught Range, Ottawa. He is also the holder of the bronze arrow. Scout Clint started off at an early age as a leader in the Scout organization where he served as Cub instructor with the pack in North Sydney. Following his Scout days he carried on in 1955 as an adult leader serving as an Assistant Cub Master, then on to Assistant Scoutmaster and ending up as Scoutmaster of his old troop, 1st North Sydney. Upon arriving in the Comox Valley Scouter Guy started as an ASM and later became the Scoutmaster of 1st Royston Troop, which is sponsored by the Royston Community Club. In addition SM Clint is also an active adult advisor to the Royston "Teen Town". He has also completed considerable training in Scouting, the Basic "A" both here and in N.S., Patrol System Course at Comox, and Part I Wood Badge, and is now ready for the final stage, Part II "Camping". Clint's favorite hobby is wood working and his most active sports are hockey and bowling.

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You as a SCUBA diver also need a lot of training and practice. The biggest hazard in SCUBA diving is the diver himself. If he is reckless and careless, self-trained or untrained, he is a menace to himself, his diving buddies and the sport of diving in general. The safety conscious, alert, well trained diver is a credit to himself, his club and council, and he is a pleasure to dive with.

Let us each take a look at ourselves as divers, first asking these questions:

- 1 What do I know about diving?
- 2 How much formal training have I had?
- 3 Have I learned as much as I can about diving and underwater techniques?
- 4 Would I know what to do

in any kind of emergency such as if my regulator failed or if I lost my weights?

5 What would I do if I got a leg or stomach cramp on the surface or down deep?

6 Am I capable of helping my buddies in any sort of emergency?

7 Am I proficient in first aid?

8 Do I keep up to date with current techniques?

9 Am I a safe diver?

10 Do others think I am a good diver or do they prefer to dive with someone else?

11 How closely do I watch my buddies?

12 How often do I dive alone, and why?

13 What condition is my equipment in?

14 Are my opinions biased, or have I assessed myself fairly?

If there is any doubt about your abilities and knowledge, then you should be attending lectures, as there are generally two classes of divers—the ones who talk about it and pose for all the pretty girls with cameras, and the ones who practice, learn and study to better themselves. Remember, you can never learn too much about this sport. Yes, to most of us it may be just a sport but to others it is a profession. But to all of us it is an exacting activity. One stupid mis-

take and we are in trouble, serious trouble.

The other day a student and instructor team were exercising at the wharf when the student developed trouble. A proper "bail out" was executed without the slightest hitch, but just a week before this in another part of the province a similar emergency happened with the loss of life to one diver (neither was a qualified diver).

No, I am not trying to scare you away from diving, but I am trying to make you realize that it takes lots of studying and practice under competent instructors to become a safe and mentally alert diver. With the summer approaching, in all areas across the country more and more newcomers will be taking up the sport, so let's do all we can to assist them properly so they don't become statistics. We must also practice all we can to assist them properly so they don't become statistics. Only this way will we become "OLD DIVERS."

FRED RACE,
SCUBA Instructor.

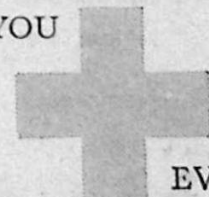
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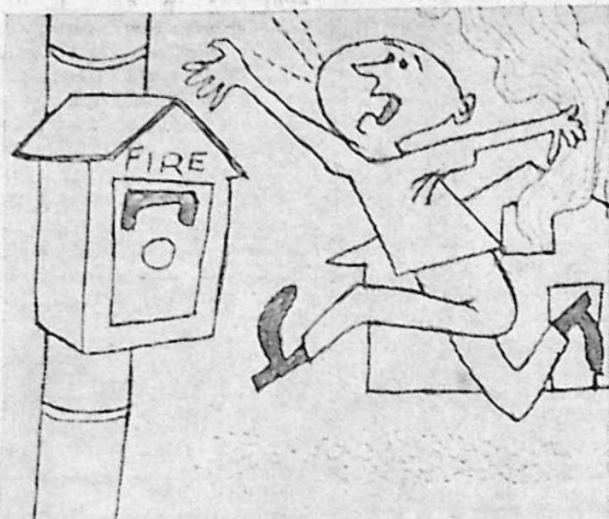
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EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

Fire Prevention News



Raising ladders and putting them down . . . dragging hose out of the bay and hauling it up ladders . . . throwing water around . . . running ladders sliding the rope . . . all a bunch of foolishness and a waste of time, and that's what we pay those guys for—moans John Public.

This is often the cry of persons unaware of the objectives of fire drill or fire department training.

The new recruits in the Air Force also condemn the endless squad drill physical training he receives before he becomes a regular airman. However, the airman who has been in the hell of combat has witnessed the fruit of the drills and the objective of the intensive training period.

His training has made him more efficient, self-assured, and has instilled in him confidence in his ability to out-manoeuvre, and out-fight the enemy.

A baseball team that never practices, very seldom develops team play, and rarely, if ever, wins a ball game.

A fire department that never drills, approaches a fire like a milling herd of cattle. Their every action demonstrates their weakness, inefficiency and plain ignorance of the

task at hand.

The objective of fire department drill is—

1st—To develop a fast and hard-hitting team composed of individuals, each trained to accept his part of the team hitting power. Uniform drills teach men to do things simultaneously — efficiently and speedily.

2nd — To train men to conserve their energy, and not to sacrifice stamina needlessly. Vast amounts of energy may be consumed by an inefficient fireman in useless manoeuvring at a fire . . . while a well trained fireman moves with perfect timing, accuracy, and dispatch. While haste may be unnoticed yet speed is apparent in his every move.

3rd — To assure each man of his ability to tackle a dangerous job with a minimum of risk to personnel safety.

Only through drill can we eliminate many of the hazards to personnel safety. In practice sessions time should be taken to think of hazards — time to develop safe methods to insure against these hazards — time to seek ways of eliminating all unsafe practices. The best way to break a bad habit, is to replace it with a good habit. At a fire many mistakes are made be-

WOMEN DRIVERS

It's no wonder there were few women drivers in the early days of motoring.

They were scared stiff to get behind the wheel.

Not because they were afraid of traffic or responsibility. The real reason was that they had been seriously advised by medical authorities that constant tapping of the toe on the accelerator would ruin the comely shape of their legs.

Dragging cobwebs off the not-too-distant past of North American motoring, researchers found this terrifying item in the Toronto Daily Star.

The yarn was in the Saturday issue, November 3, 1923, exactly 40 years ago.

In a telegraphed dispatch, originating in San Francisco, flappers and particularly coeds, were warned NOT to drive. If they persist in getting in the driver's seat, the article predicted they "will soon have a right calf which will not conform at all with the shapely charm of the left."

At first it was thought the newsman was just getting at attempting to pull a leg. But, no! The report was in dead earnest. The scribe quoted a respected source — a physician at that.

On that day, only 40 years ago, a Dr. Herbert R. Stoltz, director of physical education for the State of California, had issued a bulletin to press and public.

The startling news read: "Driving gas chariots and using the right foot to play tunes with the accelerator is rapidly marking young women with two kinds of malformations," Dr. Stoltz asserted.

"One of them," — still Dr. Stoltz talking — "is medically called 'bulging shin'. This is likely to manifest itself anywhere between the ankle and the knee—but usually about halfway."

Dr. Stoltz said "bulging shin" was due to over-developing the elongated muscles covering the shin bone.

The other malformation Dr.

cause bad habits are used while under strain and stress, and oft-times by reason of improper training we have never accustomed to good habits.

The development of a good safe habit is not on the fire ground or at the scene of a fire — it can only be developed on the drill ground by constant drill and through practice again and again.

The purpose of any form of drill is: "To help men develop into hard hitting teams with the least unnecessary sacrifice of energy and personnel safety." It is truly a waste of money to maintain a fire department, the personnel of which are not subject to fire training and the evolutions of ladder and hose.

Survival Kit On Wheels

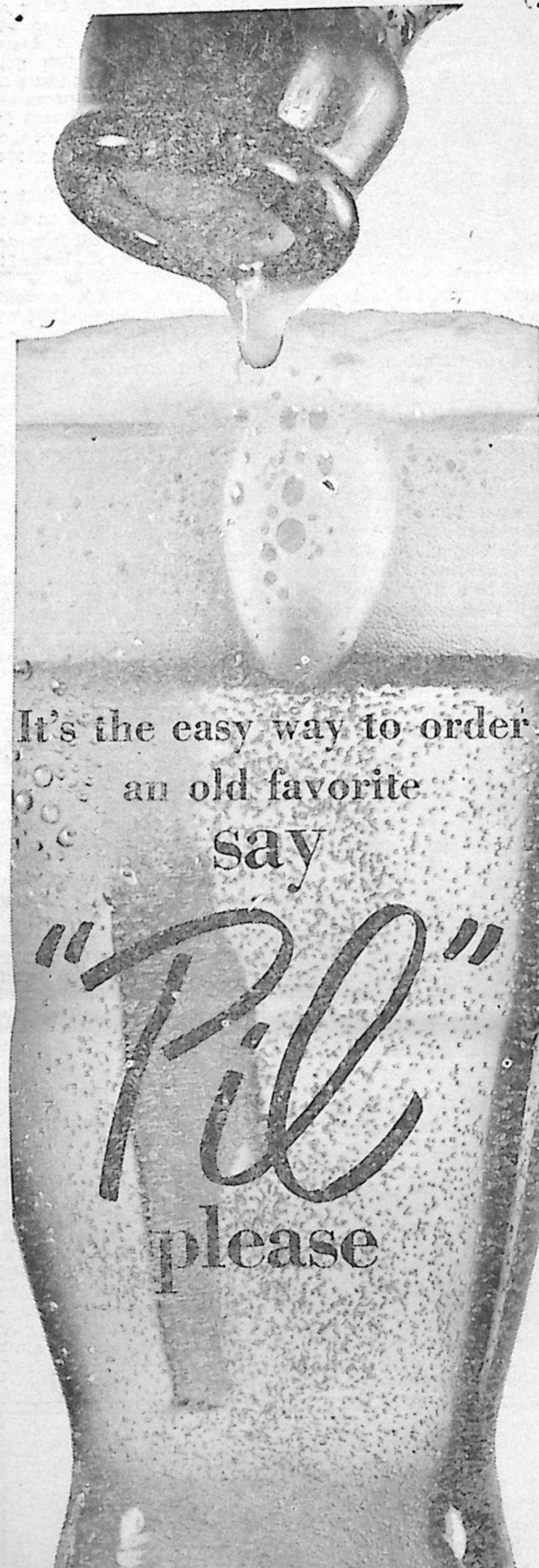
In an emergency a car can become a survival kit. "Home and Highway" magazine reports the average car has numerous devices which, with a little imagination, can be converted into life-savers in case of floods, high winds, or blizzards. They include:

— tires that will burn for extra heat in blizzards

— a car's headlights that can be used as a powerful light source

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Stoltz called "bulging calf." He said this condition is "largely bigger than the other." Perhaps, somehow, his own shinbone was directly connected to his headbone.



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SPEAKING OUT

With HOPE

"I don't necessarily agree with what you say, but I defend to the death your right to say it." — Voltaire.

Spring has sprung, the grass is riz, I wonder where the boidies iz?

The boid is on the wing. . . . that's funny, I thought the wing was on the boid!

And because of the infectious tonic of spring, "speaking out" can do nothing more this issue but ramble aimlessly 'round and 'bout and hope you feel similarly inclined by the season's mood . . .

Got the bug full strength last week-end and ventured out to "putter" 'round the garden for an hour or so. Ended up spending all day, 75 dollars on a new mower and miscellaneous garden equipment and collected a sore back, a head cold and the knowledge that with every job done two more spring up—Ah yes! spring has sprung . . .

By the time this issue is printed, Pee Wee Baseball will be all set for another season. The enthusiasm of these 8 to 12s is a joy to behold and if last season, (incidentally the first), is any kind of yardstick, this year's games will be something no one should miss. The organization of the

league, under the capable leadership of S. L. K. O. Moore, is a worthy tribute to all those who donate their free time, effort and ability. "Personality Of The Times" salutes the very, very many who do so. And speaking of baseball, there is the story of the sportswriter who'd covered nothing but baseball and eventually was assigned to a boxing match. Interviewing the loser afterwards, he found himself stuck for words and finally blurted—"and when did you first realize you had a no-hitter?"

Looking ahead to late Fall, 'tis the season when another bug rides the circuit and infects the amateur "stage" enthusiast. There's been a lot of talk lately 'bout the possibilities of locally produced plays and variety shows. Goodness knows the talent exists and only needs the organization of volunteers to get it started.

I've been asked (through this column to test public reaction and solicit opinion and volunteers. So — the inevitable coupon—Please clip and return to the Editor, Totem Times. A response will be appreciated. Names and addresses are not requested unless you're completing last section.

Would you like to see amateur theatre on the Station? . . .

Which preferred? Plays, etc. . . .

or Variety . . .

Could you assist in any way? . . .

Name . . .

Address . . .

Remarks . . .

I read it somewhere and as this column opened poetically, shop used the talent of the well-known poet, Ogden Nash, and announced through a conspicuous sign in his window—opening of a spirits outlet in " . . . but candy is still a large shopping centre. The

manager of an adjoining sweet shop used the talent of the well-known poet, Ogden Nash, and announced through a conspicuous sign in his window—

" . . . but candy is still a large shopping centre. The dandy . . ."



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On our last trip we journeyed through Scotland for a look at Scotch whiskey.

This time we will make a tour through other countries in our look at gin and its distilling. Gin, which is distilled from grain, receives its flavour and aroma from the juniper and other berries. Every distiller of gin has his own secret formula.

The name "Dry Gin" merely signifies that the gin lacks sweetness. London Dry Gin, is now a universal term applied to all gins and will appear on American and Canadian gins. Dry gins from England are inclined to be a little heavier bodied.

Golden gin is a dry gin which is aged in darker oak casks which gives it the darker colour.

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HOLLAND GENEVA OR SCHIEDAM GIN

These gins are imported from Holland where gin originated. They are heavy bodied heavily flavoured and rich in aromatic oils. They do not mix well with other ingredients, as a drink or in cocktails. Generally Holland gin is drunk with water only.

OLD TOM GIN is an old English gin sweetened with sugar.

Feminine

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distinction . . . her future husband.

She and "Irish" were married on January 14, 1948 at Kamloops and were transferred to Comox via Trenton, St. Hubert, Chatham, North Bay, Marville, Metz and Toronto, finding the time en route to acquire a family of five children.

HOBBIES

Nonie likes to cook and one of her specialties is smoked fish which, by the way, she smokes herself. Also by the way, she smokes the fish her husband catches and he smokes his cigars.

Comox can be a stopping-off place for a person of Nonie's capabilities and all who know her can only hope that it will be a long while before she is whisked elsewhere to add more chapters to a very interesting life.

Behind Scenes

(Continued from page 4)

charge of service police was very definite in his opinions on security. "The role of the Air Force Police has changed in the past seven or eight years. Previously we were a force used primarily to keep discipline. Now with very few discipline problems in the service, our role has become the security of the bases," he said. "The biggest problem is maintaining this security, is the apathy shown by the average serviceman. They don't seem to be aware of the need to keep information under proper surveillance at all times. When we find offenders or rules being broken, it is usually a result of someone not taking a few extra minutes to put documents under lock and key or failure to challenge someone's right to be in a restricted area. Lazy people, and general apathy are definitely the biggest headaches that security people encounter."

Security is everyone's business, and not just a game played on TV or by the service police. Don't treat it lightly or sneer at those who don't. Remember the war may be cold but it is for keeps and just may become hot.

gin to which herbs, orange rind and other ingredients have been added. It is tasty and combined with gin it makes an excellent cocktail, and being gold in colour is a very appropriate wedding punch.

Since I have been on the subject of gin for the past while, I may as well pass on the recipe for this famous punch. Here goes!

On a block of ice pour . . .
1 bottle dry gin
1/2 bottle Pimm's No. 1
4 large bottles ginger ale.
Should you wish add any sprig of greens which are in season. This cocktail is reasonable in price and has been very well received as a 'clutch' punch when people were in a hurry to make a punch and had only gin on hand.

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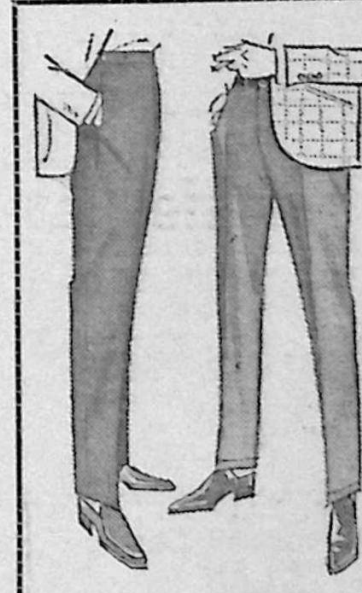
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What I would like to say and what they allow in print are two different things. Certain readers are in a position to make my life most uncomfortable if I don't toe the line. I manage to sneak in the odd derogatory remark by using more than one syllable words.

A number of things happened to a number of people on the squadron but for a number of reasons I can't say what for a number of months. How's that for confusing the enemy, Mr. Kuzyk?

The recent Hypnorama was splendid entertainment. Ken Merkley was the backbone of the display and a bigger ham I have never seen. Even Dr. Hughes was beginning to wonder if he was really hypnotized. Sleep - sleep - sleep and the quiet spoken Ken gyrated across the stage as "Irma the Body." A night of solid fun worth far more than the one dollar charged.

"I'm the greatest," quoth Rod Lüneburg having felled his latest victim. Rod has started at the very bottom of the pugilistic game, women and children first. It doesn't appeal to my sporting instinct, but there is no accounting for

the taste of others. Denny Donaldson is contemplating early retirement after the result of the Stanley Cup play-offs. Casually puffing on the familiar cigar, he counted his winnings with a nonchalant air. It must be nice to have a crew of Detroit fans.

A hearty welcome to Mrs. Ian Gordon. A very attractive addition to the mess and the squadron. May I drop a casual hint to our new bride? Always keep a dozen eggs and a loaf of bread handy on Friday nights.

An enormous squadron thrash is planned for the 23rd of May. The entertainment committee is putting a lot of effort into making this the biggest and best bash in the squadron history. Let's give them our support and one hundred per cent attendance.

I have purposely neglected the mention of transfers and personnel changes. We all know there has been a great many in the past months and that we are losing a great number of squadron stalwarts. The very best from all of us and, you will be missed.

As I prepare this column,



Gordie Tapp and Pat Hervey are two of the cast of CBC-TV's Country Hoedown who are in Germany to entertain Canadian Armed Forces as part of the overseas celebration of the 40th anniversary of the RCAF. The Country Hoedown to be seen in Canada on Friday, April 24, will be videotaped in an RCAF maintenance hangar for Starfighter jets at Baden Soellingen. It will be televised with the co-operation of the Sudwestfunk German TV network using their technical facilities and staff.

my editor is at the mercy of the courts. Through technical difficulties with the complex speed measuring apparatus of his automobile, plus a heavy foot, (Ed. note: the lack of adequately alert lookouts did not help either) he was apprehended by the local constabulary. This issue of the Totem Times may be printed in the prison workshop. (Ed. note: Result was "20 and 3.")

In closing, I appeal to all squadron members for newsworthy items. It is difficult to keep abreast of all the happenings in such a large organization. Get back at your friends and enemies by having their secrets appear in print. Contributions should be forwarded to the Editor or to me by more clandestine methods.

MSE Headlights

by DIPSWITCH

INTAKE
Our latest arrival in from the MSE Technical School, Camp Borden, is LAC "Jock" Lowrie, MSETECH, calls Toronto the Good, home. Presently residing in Comox Village with wife Rene. His favorite sport is SCUBA diving. Welcome to the Sunshine Coast, folks.

THE STORK CAR

Congratulations to LAC and Mrs. Mel Waite, who are proud parents of a brand-new baby girl, Melody Ann. Mother and daughter fine, and dad bearing up fairly well.

THE GOLF CART

LAC Guy Bourget is busy organizing a double foursome to go against the Pros over at the Firehall, this Saturday, 25 April.

HOOLIGAN DRIVERS

Drivers whose behaviour in traffic is immature, and who display poor judgment and lack of emotional control when things aren't in their favour.

TRAFFIC TIP

Let's grow up — and slow down.

Rushing around smartly is no proof of accomplishing much.

— Mary Baker Eddy

Behind the Scenes in Security

Proper security control of items of national importance is a difficult task for a country at war but it is even more difficult in a democratic country in peacetime. First of all, the more remote the possibility of war the less an average individual is concerned with national defence and the security of classified matter. Secondly a non-aggressive democracy pays for defence in taxes and has a right to know what they are getting. Hence a lot of press speculation and facts about strengths and weaknesses of its armed forces.

Previously, Canada had been very distant from the main trouble spots of the world, and therefore, Canadians seldom felt an urgent need to be concerned about security. The long cold war has undoubtedly modified this attitude as has the threat of missile attack. The world has suddenly become smaller.

As individuals employed in National Defence our main job regarding security is to prevent information reaching the wrong hands. It is a twenty-four hour job every day, requiring alertness, aggressiveness and conscientious monitoring of areas and printed matter. It is true that we have very little equipment which has not had full performance data released in publications sold on newstands everywhere. In addition foreign agents can learn a great deal about military functions by fraternizing with the gathering places, especially bars, adjacent to military bases. It is difficult to determine what subjects are of a classified nature.

The key to this is "the need to know." No one should be told anything about military matters which does not concern them. Loud conversations should be avoided in public places and strangers should be challenged whenever they are encountered in restricted areas.

Fortunately for all, the Air Force Police is responsible for the overall effectiveness of security. As a result the AFP trade has opened up, trade groupings go higher therefore pay is higher. All this has led to a higher standard of AFP out of manning depot, many with Junior Matriculation, and fewer over enthusiastic airmen in the field.

WO "Al" Horton, NCO in (Continued on page 3)

Square Dance News

The Co-Hoedowners Square Dance Club held its regular dance in the PMQ Auditorium Saturday night April 11th with Wolf Clar calling.

During the business session, it was decided to enter a float in the Comox Day parade. Ron Hornby will head a committee to make the necessary arrangements.

The newly-elected officers for the coming year are as follows:

Ralph Hughes, president.
Ron Hornby, vice-president.
Eleanor Martin, secretary.
Jake Jacobson, treasurer.
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RECREATION COUNCIL NEWS

BADMINTON WINNERS



Winner and runners-up in Wallace Gardens Championship Tournament Badminton. Boys, 16 and over, 1, Ernie Lawson, runner-up Jim Simon; 14-15, 1, Kelly Simon, runner-up John Perry; 12-13, 1, Bill Cartwright, runner-up Derik Mason. Girls open, 1, Sharon Leuszler. Picture, back row, Cpl. E. Zacher (instructor), Ernie Lawson, Sharon Leuszler, Jim Simon, Derik Mason. Front row: Kelly Simon, John Perry.

BOWLING TOURNAMENT



Graduation of Hunter Safety Course held at RCAF Station Comox. Back row: Phillip Dyke, Bill Tarala, Steven Sweeney, (instructor) FS Bob Barlow, Ross Wette, Jim Simon. Front row: Daryle Rawluik, David McNeely, Kelly Simon.

HUNTER SAFETY COURSE



Winners of Teen AFHQ Bowling Tournament at Station Comox. Left to right: Ernie Lawson, boys 17-18; Val Jones, girls 15-16; John Perry, boys 13-14; Phyllis Leuszler, girls 13-14; Dave Peterson, boys 15-16. Missing is Pat Miller, girls 17-18.

Judo Tournament, Wallace Gardens and Comox, held Saturday, April 11, in Rec. Centre. Results: lightweight, Vanderhooft, Comox (boys); middleweight, Dave Peterson (Boys); Julie Shipperbottom (Girls); heavy-weight, Brian Topping (Boys); overall, Brian Topping.

Anyone interested in participating in the May 18 parade in Cumberland contact W. Leuszler, Rec. Director. Prizes awarded for costumes decorating cars, carriages, bicycles, etc., and their will be track and field events.

Anyone wishing to enter the Highland dancing competitions on the afternoon of that date, 1:30 p.m., also at Kin Park, Cumberland, may do so by contacting Mrs. J. Woodrow, 334-2103, or Mr. A. Mellis, 334-4874. Six trophies, seven silver medals, and \$5 and \$3 gift certificates will be awarded the winners. This event is sponsored by the Caledonian Society of Cumberland.

Recreation Director will be at the BCRA convention from April 6-11. Office will be closed.

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Photo by Gary Prowse
Left to right: Sharon Leuszler, Val Jones and Eileen Grice. They have played basketball with RCAF Bantam Girls (Wallace Gardens). After the end of the Wallace Garden season, they went on to play with the CRA league where they became Comox Valley champions after winning 15 consecutive games. They also became the Upper Island champions and were runners-up in the B.C. provincial championship. Sharon Leuszler was given an honorable mention for the most valuable player in tournament and most valuable player in her team.



Ernie Lawson showing the form that won him the AFHQ bowling award at RCAF Station Comox.

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Show - MOUSE THAT
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Peter Sellers, Jean Seaberg

SATURDAY, 16 MAY
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Food - Chilli Con Carne
Dress - Casual
Adm. - 50c
Hours - 2100 - 0100 hrs

WEDNESDAY, 20 MAY
Show - STALAG
William Holden

WEDNESDAY, 27 MAY
Show - LAST SUNSET
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WEDNESDAY, 3 JUNE
Show - HELL IS FOR
HEROES
Steve McQueen, Bobby Darin

WEDNESDAY, 10 JUNE
Show - INDISCREET
Cary Grant, Ingrid Bergman

SATURDAY, 13 MAY
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409 SQDN. NIGHTHAWK NEWS

by F/L G. MEINERT
Conversation overheard in the mess:

Terry—"So you're Terry Neal, welcome to 409 Squadron."

Terry Neal—"Thanks a lot, but I've spent some time here before."

Old Sweat—"Oh, sorry! I don't remember seeing you here before... Well have you noticed any changes?"

Terry—"Now that you ask, I find that the mountains aren't what they used to be."

Old Sweat—"Yes, well we've had a lot of rain and people don't go much for contour plowing in the mountains. If the erosion rate keeps up I doubt if we'll have any mountains left in a few years. Zeke is quite worried. He's been working steady on his ark—almost has it finished."

Terry—"What ever happened to Harry Osborne?"

Old Sweat—"You mean you haven't heard? He's become an active member of the NAACP."

Terry—"The Martin Luther outfit?"

Old Sweat—"Same idea but this is called National Assoc-

ation for the Advancement of CF-100 Pilots."

Terry—"Terrible fate. Who are all the new faces I see around here?"

Old Sweat—"The distinguished chap with the grey crew cut is S/L "Pat" Patterson. He's a bit of a rebel. Doesn't play golf. Says he's a lover, not a sportsman."

Terry—"So that's his son beside him?"

Old Sweat—"As far as I can gather, no. I think his name is Gils Heon. He flies with Peter Trott, the keen-looking chap beside him."

Terry—"Who's the guy who seems to be carrying most of the conversation?"

Old Sweat—"Bob Pomerleau."

Terry Neal—"That leaves just a couple of others I don't know. Who are those two guys at the bar looking a little confused but very eager?"

Old Sweat—"That my friend is the appearance of every new crew on the squadron. Al Anderson and George Rawson in this case."

The weather has not been

FEMININE PERSONALITY

April showers may bring May Flowers, but to RCAF Station Comox, April also brings into full bloom a new column in this newspaper; a column dedicated to the proposition that women can be interesting as well as gracious, lovely and full of spice and everything nice. To make its point, this blooming column could do no better than to introduce a talented personality who is not only interesting but who is a person of many interests. Mrs.

E. G. Ireland. "Nonie" as she is called by her many friends was christened Barbara Nora Margaret Stockton in Aberdeen, Scotland and who she was 1½ years old the family came to Canada to settle in Vernon, B.C. In '38 the family moved to Kamloops where Nonie finished her high school education and in 1942 she joined the RCAF as a Clerk Steno, Medical. The next year she remustered to a Physical Training Instructress,



MRS. E. G. IRELAND

and then to Entertainment in 1944, where she was selected to join the "W Debs" show, and went overseas in June of the same year not to return to Canada until November of 1945.

EARLY CAREER

Nonie started taking ballet and acrobatic dancing when she was five years old and by the time she was fourteen had gone as far in ballet as one can go in Canada. While still at school she opened her own ballet and tap dancing studio where she taught until her enlistment in the Airforce.

This versatile girl not only excelled in dancing but was outstanding in sports as well. She played on the Kamloops Senior "B" basketball team which won the B.C. championship in 1941; entered swimming and diving competitions and was a track, softball and badminton star. For relaxation she became a gym instructress for the Kamloops Athletic Association.

MEMORIES

In her recollection of outstanding events in her life Nonie recalls the thrill of hearing of the "D-Day" invasion of the continent in mid-Atlantic on her way to England and being in London on V.E. Day. Her reminiscences of the shows she played in at Canadian bases in Germany, Holland, Belgium and France hold an interest all of their own. Certainly one of the most important highlights of her career was to be selected to sit for a portrait by the famous Canadian artists for the RCAF, Bob Hyndman. Her portrait has been hung many times in the Archives in Ottawa during military displays. It was through this famous artist that she met another man of

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BEAUTY PARLOUR CLOSES



On Friday, 24 April, Mrs. Marg. Brailsford was presented with a large basket of flowers from the ladies of RCAF Station Comox wishing her well in her new beauty parlour in Comox. Mrs. Brailsford closed the beauty parlour after six years of operation on the station. Mrs. Brailsford is seen accepting the flowers from F/O I. Young.

FOR THE SAKE OF ARGUMENT

by F/L H. G. MEINERT
A recent article in the USAF publication "Interceptor" entitled "Tunnel Flying" has prompted the following viewpoint.

The "Tunnel Flying" article suggested that although the old days produced an exciting brand of flying, it also caused a great many needless, untimely deaths. Caution was thrown to the wind; pilots cranked and yanked because it produced thrills, stories for the bar, and because pride and reputation were at stake. It went on to say, however, that the present trend towards stereotyped briefings, debriefings, missions, departures and arrivals has produced a pilot different from his older counterpart. He hasn't had innumerable near misses, let-downs without any aids, and hours and hours of seeing just

what his piece of machinery would do. The old sweat knew what he could do; he knew what the aircraft would do. Oftentimes if he didn't he died.

Confidence and ability begin to blend only when the field of experience has been broad enough to encompass most situations.

There is no doubt that a stringent flight safety program is necessary to eliminate thoughtless accidents, deaths and loss of material. Missions must be flown, therefore, with this in mind, but not so much so that training, practice and confidence will suffer. There is a thin dividing line between adequate thought to safety and enough aggressiveness to continue through tough odds. But how can an individual get the training and knowledge to back an unusual situation if

the day to day program is the same dull routine as it was a year ago? When did you do your last practice formation letdown through cloud with the weather about 500 and 1, or a simulated no radios approach; or even an approach using the airborne radar set for example?

The push on flight safety was and is needed, but it has produced some commanders who are reluctant to depart from the schedule or training program as outlined by their headquarters, because that departure just may lead to an accident, thereby making him eligible for the noose.

Where is the answer?

Obviously our troops have the talent to fly airplanes, to control airplanes, and to talk to airplanes. Let them see their own ability hacking the unusual situation when the pressure is off, then they will know they can do it when things go sour. Is it alright to work four years at a job never having encountered a tough situation, but never having simulated one either.

Flying and flying support are professions; they rely on talent and knowledge. Professionals should know what they can do and they should know what their equipment will do. This is as much a part of safety as the elimination of the careless, thoughtless individual.

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The first issue of this column will be confined almost entirely to paying belated tributes to personnel of our unit, who, in my opinion, deserve it, though not necessarily in the following order.

To the Totem Inn housing officers, Don Taylor and Ian Wells for their outstanding contribution to our elegant club. The lighting effects, which gives the lounge the authentic atmosphere of an expensive night club and is admired by regular patrons and visitors alike, is only part of Don and Ian's wholehearted efforts to improve our gay evenings.

While handing out bouquets, one cannot overlook the vast improvements our new bar officer, LAC Abbot-Brown has made. Very artistic, Abbe, and if one receives a "smash on the mouth" at our bar, he or she will undoubtedly return for more! So popular are Abbot's variety of cocktails.

Entertainment chairman, R. Pierce, always on the lookout for novelty, introduced a greatly appreciated free cocktail hour at our last dance. The

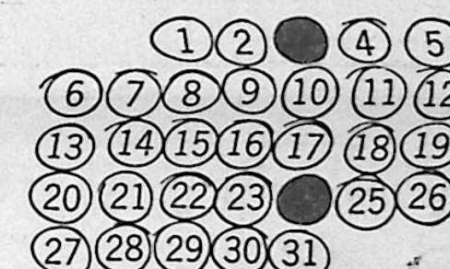
NEW VICE PMC

Heartiest congratulations to John Hope, our newly elected vice-PMC. There is no better choice than John, who has spent many hours working on our behalf and for the betterment of the club. Now we really do have hope!

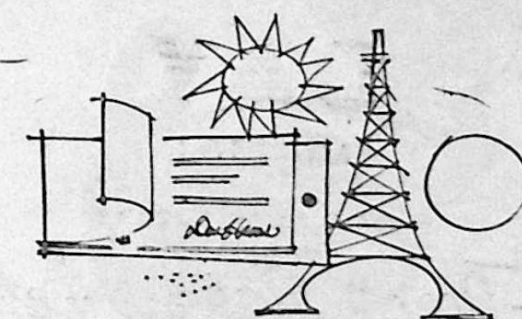
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CONTRACT BRIDGE

By TERRY DOYLE
Why do people play bridge? One might answer to pass the time, to enjoy oneself, because the cost of the equipment is cheap, it is the socially acceptable thing to do, etc. My philosophy of sports is quite simple and my answer to the question is "to win." This

must be the primary motive in all sports and any other motive should be secondary. Accepting this basic premise, i.e. one plays to win, why do so many bridge players play to lose? You do not play to lose you say. Everytime you play the first card from the dummy without constructing a

plan, you play to lose. Every time you bid out of turn, lead out of turn, take a needless finesse, do not count trumps or play the wrong card from your hand, you play to lose. Since the object of the game is to win and since everything man does on this earth is directed to his ultimate end on earth: to be happy, the player who plays to lose cannot be happy. So why torture yourself — review the basics . . . they are the key to success.

There are certain laws to bridge — For example a deck of 52 cards is used. Nowhere in the laws of Bridge will you find (1) always open on 14 points, (2) Second hand low and third hand high, (3) Cover an honor with an honor, (4) Never lead from a king. These are called rules — but a better name for them would be guides. If you are a steadfast follower of these guides, you are playing to lose. Bridge is a thinking game and the person playing by rote will be a loser.

Question: Is your face a mirror? Can a declarer look at your face when he has a two-way finesse and know where the queen is? If so you might as well show him your hand. Do not show any expression when playing a card and try to play at the same tempo.

Are you a deceitful, tricky player? If so you will be a winner — providing your deceit is not with glances or remarks — for they are a cheat. The deceit must be in the cards you play. Here is an example of a fake finesse:

KJ 107 J62 A943 Q85

Suppose you are playing the suit and must win one trick. How would you do it? The best way is to lead the jack from the board. East will probably think you hold the King and the ten and that the finesse will lose to the queen, so he will play his ace. The next time in, you lead toward your queen and so make a trick. This is an example of deceit. There are many others. Read a good bridge book and learn them.

For a short conclusion: play to win by (1) learning the basics, (2) thinking all the time, (3) keeping a poker face, (4) learning tricky little plays.

CAS to Australia

(Continued from page 1)

in summer sunshine at Wellington, N.Z. There A M Dunlop and his party were met by A/V M.I.G. Morrison, RN-ZAF chief of the air staff, and Mr. K. J. Burbridge, Canadian high commissioner in New Zealand. After a series of official visits in the capital, the Canadians flew to Ohaia where more than 100,000 Air Force Day visitors witnessed the Yukon both on the ground and in the air show.

Flying to Australia later A M Dunlop was greeted at RAAF Stn. Fairbairn by his opposite number, A M Sir Valston Hancock, KBE, CB, DFC, and the Canadian high commissioner, Mr. Evan Gill. Another round of official visits in Canberra was followed by a conducted tour of the Snowy Mountains Authority, a huge hydro-electric development in southern Australia.

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Lake and Stream

by NUMB-ROD

I'm not sure whether or not there is any advantage in having a non-de-plume when the editor keeps chopping the by-line to save space. This applies particularly when I am trying to make a point such as the reversion from "Numb-skull" to "Numb-Rod" to put an end to my self-imposed punishment for the boarhead.

I have been warned to stand by for posting in the near future and this knowledge of my imminent removal from the land of "milk and honey" is coloring my view from the stream side. I am aware of the details that have previously escaped me and I find added emphasis in the views of the mountains and the smells of the woods. My angling is interrupted by the sight of myriads of Mayflies rising from the water only to disappear into the open beaks of swallows as they dive and wheel over the river.

The sea-run cutthroats have been performing in the lower stretches of the river at twilight during the past few evenings. The fishermen I have

met at the scene, stand around and chat about the days when one could take 26 steelhead from a single pool, etc., etc. The talk goes on until the first break is noticed and then the talking ceases and the tinsel flies start whizzing through the night air.

While the fishing has been fun the catch has not been too great. I saw the odd angler leaving the scene with two to three trout and saw several steelhead caught; however the latter were pretty black and were released. On one outing a companion of mine caught a 20-inch trout on a pickerel lure. A short while later he caught the biggest cutthroat I have ever seen on the same lure. It was about 25 inches and must have weighed 4½ to 5 pounds.

I have a theory about that catch. I believe that the two victims of the lure noticed the odd and obviously foreign article in the river and were attempting to throw it onto the bank when they were hooked; I might add that W/C St. John of CEPE, who was at the other end of the rod, does not agree with me.

Station Infirmary News

Due to unforgivable circumstances this column has not appeared in the Totem Times for quite some time. In the following few words I will try to bring up to date the latest gossip and scandalism around the hospital.

Everyone in the Infirmary was recently saddened by the departure of our Matron F/O (NS) MP Holland. After what seemed a very short term at Comox, she was taken away from us and transferred to RCAF Station Namao, Alta. We all sincerely hope that she enjoys her stay at Namao. F/O (NS) O Pond will serve as acting matron until our new matron arrives in August.

We would like to welcome back and congratulate Cpl. L. Marcell on his successful completion of an Aeromedical Evacuation course at RCAF Station Trenton, Ont. I am sure that Larry found the course interesting and informative.

Due to the shortage in staff at the hospital, I would like to at this time extend a welcome to the new staff members which we haven't got and are not likely to get for a while.

I close now leaving you this thought — If you don't want to depend on luck; don't push as acting matron until our new

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