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409 Nighthawk Squadron to Hold 29th Anniversary Reunion

Three-Day Reunion To Begin 30 July, 1965

RCAF Station Comox's Air Defence Component, the 409th All Weather Fighter Squadron, plans to hold a reunion during the weekend of July 30th, 31st and August 1.

The reunion is in line with the original plan to hold one every five years. The problems involved are many of course, but the most difficult problem, being handled by F/L George

Rawson, is that of contacting and locating former aircrew members of the squadron, both wartime and post war members.

So far the organizers have contacted all the RCAF Units, the Riondel, Flight Comment, and most of the station newspapers in order to make the event well known. Now it is up to you the reader to spread the good news.

Members who plan to attend

are asked to contact F/L Geo. Rawson, RCAF Station Comox, B.C., as soon as possible.

Accommodation will have to be arranged; entertainment lined up and many, many more things have to be planned and co-ordinated, therefore a good estimate as to the members attending is necessary.

On Friday, July 30 most of the visitors are expected to arrive.

To welcome them and to help them relax after the long journey there will be an extra special Friday Nite Grog Call, complete with skits, "Dead Ants" and free beer.

On Saturday golf, fishing, swimming, water-skiing is planned during the daytime, followed by a dance and stage show in the evening.

Sunday will be utilized to clear

heads, and to partake again in the fine recreation available to one and all.

As Monday, August 2nd is a holiday, Sunday evening will provide an opportunity for the hosts to dine with their guests. A fitting birthday dinner is planned in order to close what is hoped will be an enjoyable weekend for all those fortunate enough to be able to attend.

REUNION OPERATIONS ORDER

OPERATION ORDER 1/65

Reference: 1965 409 Squadron Reunion
Task Organization: Station Co-Ordinator /ol-
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Station Co-Ordinator - F/L J. Kuzyk
Invitations - F/L G. Rawson
Welcoming - F/L P. Sholz
Entertainment - F/L A. Anderson
Liaison - F/L G. Meinert

1. SITUATION

409 Nighthawk Squadron shall on the 30-31 July and 1 Aug, hold a squadron reunion to celebrate their 24th anniversary.

(a) Enemy Forces: Nil

(b) Friendly Forces:

(1) RCAF Station Comox

(2) 409 Squadron members past

(3) 409 Squadron members present

(c) Attachments and Detachments:

(1) USAF ADC FIS 25 NORAD Region

2. MISSION

To initiate three days of observance, to ponder our illustrious past, present and future.

3. EXECUTION

(a) General: The squadron shall cordially invite and host all former and serving Nighthawk Officers and their wives.

(b) Tasks:

(1) **Monster Stag Weepers:** 30 July, to meet former members and guests, to provide time for each to discuss his own true greatness.

(2) **Dance:** 31 July, to welcome past squadron members and their wives and guests, and to provide time during which all may reminisce on their true greatness.

(3) **Birthday Dinner Dining-In:** 1 Aug, to salute the squadron's 24th anniversary.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

(a) **Transport and Traffic:** Those arriving service air will be met and accommodated by the welcoming committee. Other arrivals may contact the committee through the station switchboard.

(b) **Entertainment:** Golf, fishing, fighting, walks in the country, will supplement normal mess functions.

(c) **Medical:** Rest and rehabilitation facilities will be available for sick and wounded.

(d) **Dress:** As fitting the sport within which each is participating.

5. COMMAND

(a) In accordance with the task organization.

(b) Normal channels of communication apply.

6. ALTERNATE PLAN

a) Nil.

7. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Completion of attached form and forwarding to F/L Rawson advising as to whether attending, and if so a sum of ten Canadian dollars (total accompanied or not) or a facsimile payment in green stamps will be accepted.

NIGHTHAWK

Distribution

Fightin' 409th Has Long History of Nightfighting "Midnight is Our Noon"

The "Fighting 409th" was the first AW (F) Sqn in Canada with a tradition of night fighters behind it, a fact of which they are justly proud.

The original 409 Sqn was formed at Digby, Lincolnshire, England, on the 17th of June, 1941, under the command of S/L (later W/C) N. B. Peterson. It was one of the three night fighter units formed by the RCAF overseas during the Second World War. The mighty air birds in those first days were the single engine "Boulton Paul Defiants." Two months later the famous "Bristol Beaufighter" became the squadron's formidable weapon. After organization, the Sqn moved to Coleby Grange from July 41 to Feb. 43. It was here that W/C Peterson was killed in a flying accident. He was succeeded by S/L (later W/C P. Y. Davoud, who scored the squadron's first kill, a Dornier 217 on the night of 1 Nov., 41.

In Feb. 43, the sqn moved to Acklington in Northumberland and W/C J. W. Reid took over command from W/C Davoud who had been injured in an accident. Ten months later 409 returned to Coleby Grange until Feb. 44, at which time it again went to Acklington to be re-equipped with Canada's best known and world renowned WWII night fighter—the DeHavilland Mosquito. In April of the same year the newly equipped squadron moved to Hunsford in Herfordshire and then to West Mollington two weeks later.

When D-Day came the squadron was nearly three years old. It had been employed as a night defensive force for the East Coast of England throughout this period and hence had seen little action. It score at this time was seven destroyed, eight probables and ten damaged.

D-Day started the 409th on a

new chapter. It soon became one of the top scoring night fighter units with the 2nd Tactical Air Force. In less than 11 months the Mosquito crews of 409 scored 10 kills, 3 probables and 14 damaged. For a time the squadron was employed on defensive patrols against the V-1 flying bombs and destroyed 12 "doodle-bugs."

At the end of July 44, W/C M. W. Beveridge succeeded W/C Reid who was tour expired. On 25 Aug. 44, 409 crossed the channel to Corpiquet in Normandy and won the distinction of being the first night fighter sqn. of the RAF housed on the continent. Later it moved to St. Ande De L'Eure, where W/C Beveridge was killed in an accident on 20 Sep. The sqn made three more moves; from France the sqn advanced to Germany and after termination of hostilities in Europe, it moved to Gilze-Rigin in the Netherlands (12 May) and then to Trirante (10 Jun.) where it was disbanded on 1 Jul. 45.

The total claims for the sqn during its four years were 67 kills, 12 flying bombs, 7 probables, 24 damaged plus 7 locomotives.

409 personnel received 1 DSO, 1 Bar to the DFC, 13 DFC, 2 AFC, 2 MBE, 2 BEM, 7 Mentions in Despatches and 1 American DFC. The sqn lost 47 officers and airmen, killed or presumed dead in operations and accidents.

The "Fighting 409th" adopted the nickname of "The Nighthawks" during WWII. Its appropriate motto "Media Nox Meridies Noster" (Midnight is our Noon) appears on the original 409 sqn badge showing a cross-bow against a cloak background.

409 AW (F) Sqn was formed on 10 Nov 54. S/L F. E. Haley was appointed OC, and a small group of officers and airmen took

up residence at RCAF Station Comox.

Many difficulties hampered the organization of the new "Fighting 409th," the largest being the lack of aircraft. By the end of 54 the sqn inventory consisted of two T-33s.

The first Cf-100 arrived in Feb 55 and more continued to arrive and by the end of the year 18 CF-100s and two T-33s were on sqn strength.

409 Sqn continued to operate as an all weather fighter sqn and when NORAD was formed it was one of the nine CF-100 sqns under NORAD. On May 15th, 1960, 409 operational control was transferred from 5 Air Division, Vancouver, to 25 NORAD Region, with headquarters at Seattle, and became the first Canadian sqn to be fully integrated into NORAD. On the 19th May 60, the sqn was assigned the appropriate fighter designators for use with SAGE.

In 1960, 409 sqn won the Steinhardt Trophy, awarded annually to the most highly rated Air Defence Sqn in Canada.

In Oct 61, RCAF Station Comox became a Maritime Air Command Sqn and 409 sqn became a "lodger" unit on the sqn. However, this internal administrative shift in no way effected the sqn's operational ability or effectiveness.

On 19 Mar 62, 409 after many weeks of training and preparation saw the phasing out of the steadfast CF-100s and the phasing in of the faster and harder hitting supersonic CF-101.

At present 409 serves a dual role—as an RCAF Air Defence Sqn and as part of the Canadian participation in NORAD under control of Seattle Air Defence Sector, which extends from the State of Oregon to the Alaskan border and includes all of B.C.

Air Transport Command

An excerpt from the Windsor Daily Star

By Mr. John Linbald

TRENTON — Each noon hour, a select audience gathers in a special theatre here. The "wide screen" is a map of the world. Viet Nam, Berlin, The Congo, the Gaza Strip, the India-Pakistan border.

A highly-trained weather expert briefs the audience on the weather conditions in Windsor, Ottawa - and the world. When he finishes, an RCAF officer stands in front of the map using a long pointer and briefs the audience on where a number of planes are or are en route to. Little plastic planes scattered over Canada and around the world represent the men and the equipment of one of the most exclusive and important "air lines" in the world — The Royal Canadian Air Force's Transport Command.

You are now part of the special briefing. Your briefing was arranged so that we could show you what Canadians are doing. Too often, Canadians don't look — and aren't shown — what their own people are doing. Take it from us, Canada's ATC has all the stuff which shows what Canadians are doing. From the points of glamor, danger and necessity, it is in the big leagues of the world.

The ATC's motto is "Versatile and Ready" and this is one group which works day and night to live up to a motto. From command down to the lowest rank and in civilian support personnel there is a quiet-but rock-like-pride. They take their job seriously. The job is to maintain a capability with fast reflexes to meet the requirements of Canada. In A, B and C terms, this means to: A, provide forces for the direct protection of Canada; B, to provide the contribution for NATO; C, to provide the men and the equipment for Canadian contribution to the United Nations. It's indicative of the Canadian man-on-the-street desire for peace and government policy which believes in the UN, that item C is a big part of the ATC story. Pick out a trouble spot in the world where man is somehow trying to find peace and reason—not war and unreason—and you'll most likely find Canadians. They got to the trouble spots via ATC.

There are critics of the ATC—mainly in civilian air lines—who refer to the ATC as "Canada's other air line." In a way it is—and in a way, it isn't. Air lines are composed of people and planes. AT has 11,000 people, of whom about 8,000 are RCAF types. It has 215 planes, from multi-million dollar sleek turbo-jet transports to single-engine planes. Thus, it is an "air line". But the difference between ATC and Air Canada, Canadian Pacific, etc., is in the fact it exists for the national defence and diplomacy of Canada. It is "versatile and ready" for emergencies be the task a disaster flood in Manitoba or a job for the UN in Viet Nam. There's also another point: being ready for national emergency, such as war. No Canadian that we know of wants war. No Canadian that we know of wants his house to burn down either. We have fire departments—and the armed forces—in

order to be ready. Defence preparedness is that simple in Canada. (There are other places, on both sides of the Iron Curtain, where it isn't so simple.)

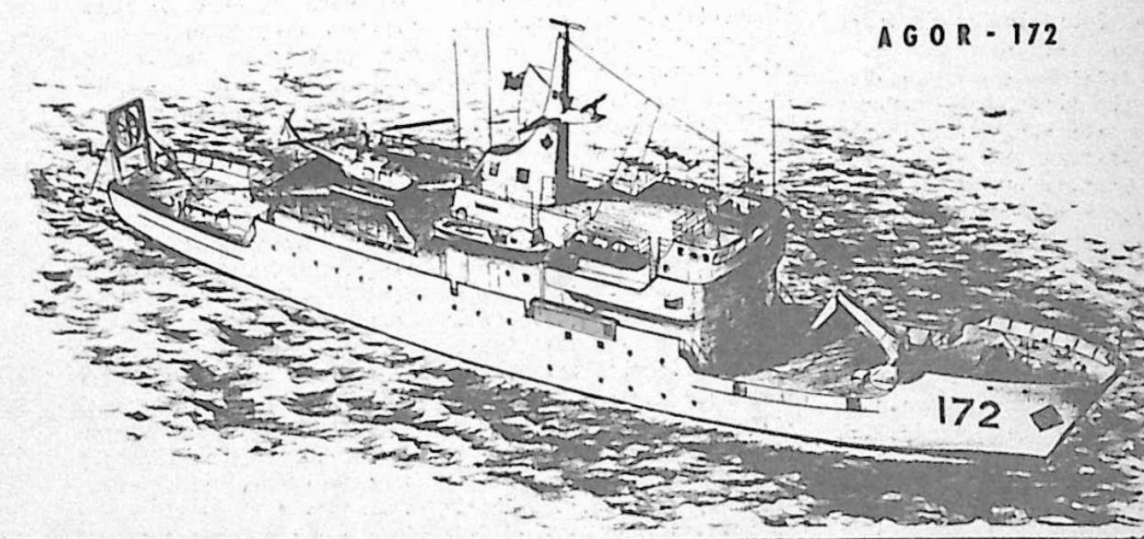
Canada's ATC, as it now functions, was born in the late 40's. Before that, the movement of military persons and the VIP's—prime ministers, cabinet men and their aides—was carried out by various transport squadrons. The ATC has come a long way from that era. It has 5 squadrons stationed at different Canadian centres. The men, women, and planes of these units have headquarters here at Trenton. The "boss" is Air Commodore R. J. Lane, DSO, DFC, CD. We didn't meet this celebrated Canadian, but from what we saw, we'd say he must be a good commander because of ATC's high efficiency and high morale. If ATC is, in a way, another "air line", let the record show that not one has lost a life in a "prang" (air accident) since it was formed. Last year, it carried 231,000,000 millions pounds of people and 58,000,000 pounds of cargo to such diverse places as Whitehorse, Yukon Territories—or Elizabethtown, in The Congo.

Because of the role they play, the crews of ATC are as skilled as any in the world. Maybe more. They never cease training. Ready for any job—flying Canadian troops to UN duties in Cyprus or Paul Martin to a NATO meeting in Paris—they are always on alert. Their "beat" is the world. As you read this, ATC planes are speeding to and from the trouble spots in the world. Air crews are backed up by top ground personnel. And part of that ground backup involves great research and one of the most intensive medical programs in the world. The ATC types don't say much. It's not security — they just never seem to be in one place long enough to get gabbing.

ATC pilots and crews have glamorous jobs and have been called "Canada's Glamour Air Jockeys." They might have breakfast in Ottawa, lunch in the air and dinner in Paris, Berlin or Athens—and breakfast in Saigon. Travel tends to make people sophisticated—and the ATC boys are sophisticated in every sense of the word, because they travel so much. That said, they are probably among the poorest paid "sophisticates" of the world. Pan-American pilots making \$30,000 a year recently went on strike for more money. Canada's ATC flyboys and flygirls make civil servant wages. Because there are so many high paying opportunities on "clivv street" ATC loses some aircrew—yet money won't buy away most of the men with ATC.

When Windsor's Paul Martin soon leaves for a tour through the murky world of European diplomacy, the ATC types will fly him. So too the next foreign trip of Prime Minister L. Pearson. While the men, the women and planes are performing these tasks, other units are flying UN personnel into Viet Nam, the Gaza Strip and pick-a-trouble-spot in the map places. They "logged" more than 100,000 flying hours last year—and will top it this

year. You read ads about "million-mile pilots" on clivv street. The ATC boys are million-mile pilots. They're "backed" by enlisted men who have been known to work 36 hours straight—living on coffee and cat naps — (no overtime) when necessary. ATC flies big and little planes. Crews never know what's coming tomorrow; one ATC crew left Edmonton for Arctic duty a while back and were called back from Goose Bay. From Edmonton to the Arctic to Trenton to Seattle to Wake Island to West New Guinea. All of this occurred in 96 hours! "Versatile and ready," the people of ATC do the nation proud.



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Luxury liner had shady reputation

Ever wonder how the word "Posh" found its way into our language? "Posh" is another word for luxury, and its origin is an interesting one. The Pacific and Orient Steamship Line between Great Britain and the Orient used to charge a premium for cabins on the shady side of the ship. Since the shady side was the port, or left-hand side, on the outward voyage, and the starboard, or right-hand side, when homeward bound, the cabins were referred to as Port Outward—Starboard Home, or P-O-S-H.

Words are fascinating creatures. They have so many faces. Take the word "bank", for example. It can mean the ground near a river, an establishment for the custody of money, or, when it's used as a verb, security of feeling, absolute reliability. "You can bank on it", we say.

These last two meanings bear a connection that is far from coincidental. The fact is, a bank represents security and reliability, especially the Bank of Montreal.

And of course, savings at the Bank of Montreal doesn't only mean your money is safe. It also means that with money in the bank you can often take advantage of unexpected opportunities that might otherwise pass you by.

head of Shuswap Lake \$10, saddle train to the Columbia River \$10, and canoe or boat to Gold Creek \$2. Time elapsed was said to be 75 hours—if you didn't stop to sleep.

8,000-Mph. Plane Development Seen

PALO ALTO, Calif.—(NNS)—Development of an 8,000-mile-per-hour research airplane which might eventually achieve orbital speeds is foreseen by Gen. B. A. Schriever, commander of Air Force Systems Command.

In a speech here he said the Air Force is studying the possibility of using hydrogen-burning, supersonic combustion ramjet engines, known as SCRAMJET, to power hypersonic aircraft.

"The SCRAMJET is the most promising approach we have today for sustained hypersonic flight," Schriever said, adding, "... it could be used effectively on hypersonic aircraft with both military and commercial applications."

Perfect score wins Maple Leaf March

HOOGEVEEN, Holland — Infantrymen from Canada's NATO Brigade in Germany achieved an unprecedented perfect score in winning the Maple Leaf Marches for Canada for the third time in five years.

A 37-man contingent from the 2nd battalion, The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada, led by Lt. Mike Kelly of Sudbury, Ont., competed against 12 other teams from the Dutch and British armies.

The Maple Leaf Marches, formerly known as the General Crerar Marches, in honour of the wartime commander of the First Canadian Army which liberated Northern Holland in 1945, were renamed last year.

The Canadian team, in highland dress and carrying rifles, was piped along the 25-kilometer (16-mile) cobble-stoned route by the battalion's pipes and drums in just over three and one-half hours. The Canadian Army retains permanent possession of the General Crerar Trophy, having captured the silverware in 1962 and 1963.

Teams were assessed on marching, fitness, leadership and discipline, attesting to the physical fitness and morale maintained by Canadian troops in Germany.

Canadians competing included, by location: NEWFOUNDLAND

Pte. Joseph Hickey, Holyrood; L/Cpl. Ron Pieroway, St. Georges; Pte. Joseph Denline, St. John's; Pte. Bill Dempsey, Canada Harbour; Pte. Doug Dooling, Gouds; Pte. Rickey Fitzpatrick, St. John's; Pte. Cecil Ralke, Deer Lake; Pte. Lew Tucker, St. John's.

NEW BRUNSWICK
Pte. Joseph Bourgeois, Moncton; Pte. Jack Dempsey, Jacques River; Pte. Bob Miller, McAdam; Pte. Bob Mitton, Sussex; Pte. John Turner, Moncton; Piper Clarke, St. Stephen.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND
L/Cpl. Elroy Stewart, Flat River.

ONTARIO
Cpl. Ed Dallow, Brantford; Cpl. Art McNutt, Guelph; Pte. Wayne Cardinal, Perth; Pte. Fred Howie, St. Thomas; Pte. Cliff McArthur, Niagara Falls; Pte. Bart Verruyt, Windsor; L/Cpl. Gunter Ledwon, Kitchener.

NOVA SCOTIA
L/Cpl. Bob Harroun, Springhill; Pte. Karl Carvery, Halifax; Pte. Ken Langille, Lunenburg; Pte. Chris Sayer, Halifax; Pte. Dick Waholl, Sydney.

QUEBEC
Pte. Bob Rittledge, Shawville.

CORPORALS' CLUB NEWS

The Cpls' Club held a Mess Dinner on Thursday May 20th in honour of two retiring members, Cpl Bob Inglis and Steve Karilly. Cocktails were served in the Totem Inn, after which everyone retired to the combined Mess for a delicious dinner. The dinner was concluded with a very enlightening talk by W/C Adamson. After dinner was over everyone proceeded to the club for a very enjoyable evening of conversation and games mixed with an odd drink.

Friday was the usual Weepers Night with subsidized drinks and organized games. For those members who have not attended on Fridays we suggest you take a "night out" and join the fun. Don't talk about how skilled you are at euckre, darts, shuffleboard etc. come out on Friday and take part, you may win a prize.

This Saturday the 29th of May finds big things doing at the club, its a "Western Night" for all you lovers of Blue Grass and for all who just like a good time. "Don't miss it". We have brought in a group from Vancouver, one of the best Western groups in the Pacific Northwest. This group has appeared on TV many times and features a very pretty girl singer. To top it all off we have Bar-B-Queed sides of beef. All this for \$1.00 per person. Remember Saturday May 29th so get on those jeans, plaid shirts, gingham dresses or what have you and come out and join the fun.

We would like to remind all the Cpls of the big bash scheduled for June 19th to be held in the Station Rec. Centre. This will be open to Cpls and five invited guests (Five for each Cpl that is). It will be a semi-formal featuring a ten piece orchestra, floor show, and will be topped off with a smorgasbord. This is the biggest thing to take place at this unit so don't be disappointed plan now as advance sale of tickets will soon be announced, and the price is three dollars per couple.

YF-12A Claims Speed Marks

EDWARDS AFB, Calif.—(NNS)—The Air Force's YF-12A, under test here as an advanced fighter interceptor for possible use in the North American Air Defense Command, has claimed six world aircraft speed records plus an altitude mark:

Speed over a straight course—2,062 miles per hour.

Speed over a closed circuit, any distance—1,688 mph.

Speed over a 1,000 kilometer course, closed circuit without pay load—1,688 mph.

Speed over a 1,000 kilometer course, closed circuit with 1,000 kilograms pay load—1,688 mph.

Speed over a 1,000 kilometer course, closed circuit with 2,000 kilograms pay load—1,688 mph.

Speed over a 500 kilometer closed circuit—1,642 mph.

Altitude in horizontal flight — 80,000 feet.

Canada to assist Tanzanian Air Force

The Hon. Paul Martin, Secretary of State for External Affairs, announced in the House of Commons April 6 that Canada will help Tanzania in an air force equipment and training program. A survey team has been sent to Tanzania.

"The establishment of an air transport wing, by providing increased mobility, will comple-

MSE Headlights

by DIPSWITCH

After a long absence, this column is now back to the fore. I think maybe the former columnist must have been suffering from the lack of Geritol or he had inside information of a pending transfer overseas and therefore was a little remiss to his readers. However, whatever it was, Sgt. Steve Plant deserves a hearty pat on the back for the very fine job he has done in the past in turning out this column. Steve, wife Peggy and daughter Wenda (wanderer) leave for Marville France, in the near future. Everyone in the MSE Section wishes the Plants well and "Bon Voyage".

Also leaving for overseas is our congenial boss, F/L Eric Cook. He, like Sgt. Plant, heads for Marville, the land of OOH La La. So we also say "Farewell" to the Cook family (Eva and Marjorie) and hope you enjoy your tour of Europe.

Visiting us for a period of three months is O/C Tony Johnston. Tony, (during the period he is not with the RCAF) attends the University of Victoria. The RCAF is not new to him as for many years he toured the country as a dependant. Mr. Johnston Sr. (formerly F/L Johnston) was a fighter controller and is now semi-retired and in business for himself in Victoria BC.

We have many people leaving the section and by the same token, many people arriving, so if I should miss someone, please don't feel slighted as it will be strictly oversight on the part of the writer. Here goes, anyway. Leaving: LAC's F. J. Nesbit (Fred), wife Karen and daughter Nancy; LF German (Lou), wife Alleen; and M. J. Waite (Mel), wife Ruthann, - all to Holberg on the "Sunshine Coast". Don't feel too bad folks, if the sunshine turns out to be liquid; at least, you won't have to shovel it (forget about our past winter). LAC C. V. Ducharme (Mike) to Stn. Mont Apica; Laes L. S. Rycroft (Monty), wife Jimma and daughter Helen; and H. F. Kowalsky, to Stn. Rivers, Manitoba; LAC H. R. Girling (Howie) wife Erna and daughter Rhonda, to 1 Air Div; LAC D. C. Jensen and wife Nancy to Goose Bay, Labrador; Cpl. H. Granberg (Hank) wife Eileen, children Rick and Susan to Pagwa, Ontario.

ment the advisory and training assistance Canada is already extending to the Tanzania army", Mr. Martin told the House.

LAC W. F. Metge (Bill) wife Fay and children Patricia, Murray, Mark and Ilean to Puntzi Mountain B.C. From the wavy navy part of our empire, Cpl R. J. Harper, wife Jill, children Kell and Robert; Lac J. B. Roberts, wife Alice, children, Judy, Glynis, Katherine and David, to Holberg B.C. (Sunshine Coast). New arrivals are Cpl. D. W. Crawford (Dennis) from Stn Rivers, Manitoba, and AC1 H. S. Teasdale off course from Camp Borden, Ontario.

There is so much going on around this section that if this writer had the time, he could write you a 15-page editorial, but as this might sore the readers, the column will be terminated with a word of wisdom from one of our colleagues "Safety Sam";

Spring has sprung,
The grass has rizz
I wonder where
My fingers izz?

Don't let the above little ditty apply to you. Every year, someone loses a finger tip, a finger or, sometimes all of them when operating a rotary lawn mower. Any well designed mower, turned out by a reputable manufacturer is reasonably safe, as long as you don't embark on a bit of wide-eyed idiocy. Here are some basic rules to follow.

If you pause for a smoke, stop to chat with the gent next door, or indulge in some hanky-panky with a passing blond, shut off the engine.

Don't mow when the ground is wet or even damp. It's not good for the lawn or for you, because the slippery surface underfoot can spell danger.

If you must make adjustments to the mower, shut it off and also unclip the wire that connects to the spark plug.

Check over your lawn before you mow it and remove all stray rocks, coke bottles, golf balls, and beer cans. Set in flight by the action of the mower, these form elegant shrapnel.

If you are working with a rotary mower, do all the cutting in a forward direction. More than 50 percent of all mower accidents occur when the homegardener lugs the machine backwards, loses his footing and slips under it.

AN OFFBEAT THOUGHT:
The steady raucous roar of a mower can have a strangely hypnotic effect. Lulled by the sound, a PMQ resident noticed that the mower wasn't cutting as well as it should and stuck his hand under

Senior NCO's Corner

by BTFSK

SPRING BALL

Approximately 130 members and their guests enjoyed a wonderful evening of dancing to the music of the Dec Cantes Orchestra. The Mess was appropriately decorated for this festive occasion with miniature umbrellas, baskets containing balloons and a lovely Venetian scene depicting a young lady waving to her Venetian husband or lover, who is in a gondola, pulling away from the shore. The colouring of the decorations were beautiful and would take this writer much time to describe them in detail. Wives of members of the committee put in many hours of work, creating and making these decorations and also during the day preceding the dance, when they decorated the mess with the assistance of members of the entertainment committee. To you, one and all, we of the committee say "thank you very much" for

the skirt of the machine to see if the blade was still turning. It was.

A friend of ours is a strong advocate of seat belts. He buckles himself in every time he drives his car, no matter how short the distance. Recently, while his own car was being serviced, he was driving a borrowed car which did not have seat belts. Forgetting this, he parked in front of the bank building, stepped out of the car... and made a desperate grab for his pants. (smile?)

ITALIAN NIGHT
Don't forget the gala "Italian Night" planned for all members and guests this Saturday evening. Come out and enjoy an evening of music, vino, pizza pie bread sticks, spaghetti etc. Festivities will commence at 2100 hrs. \$1.00 per person, 29 of May 1965.

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Dog Food	King Size Free Comet Cleanser	1.19
Ivory Liquid	TABLE-RITE	lb. 69¢
Round Steak	By the piece	lb. 29¢
Bologna	TABLE-RITE	lb. 29¢
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Oranges		3 doz. 1.00
Bananas		6 lbs. 89¢
Rhubarb	Local Red	5 lbs. 29¢

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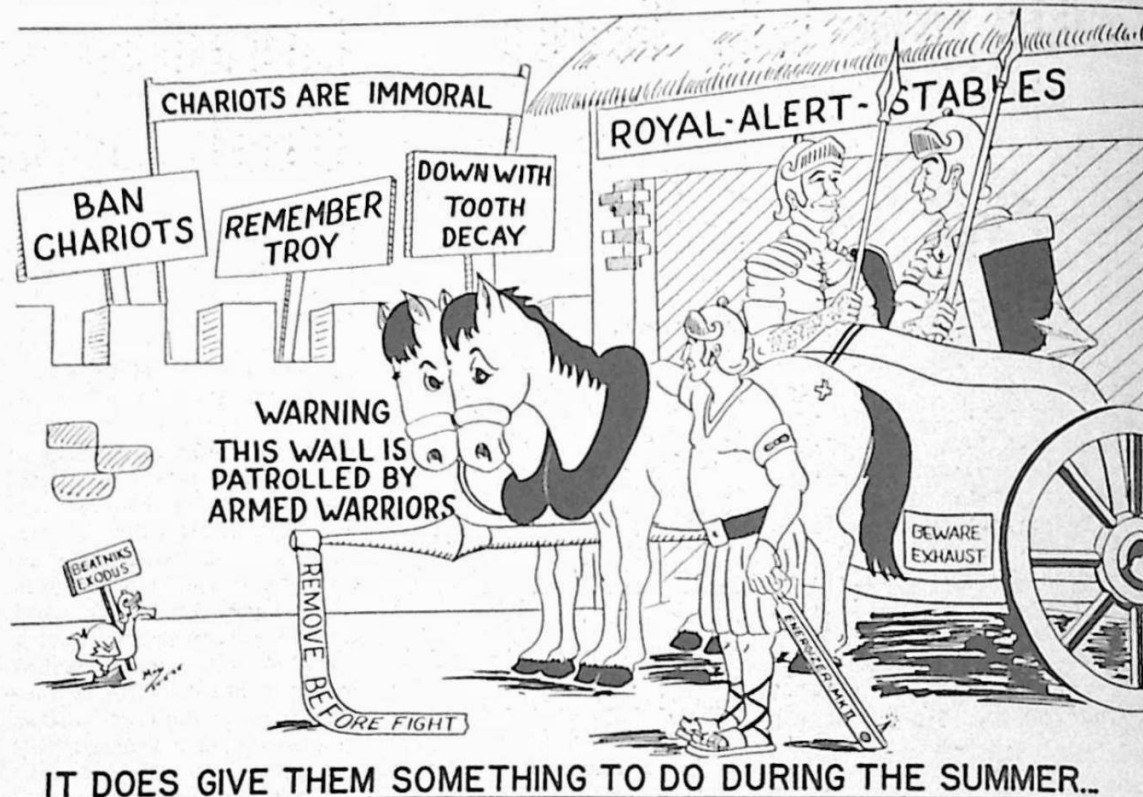
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Fluoridation? About Time!!

In 1874 fluorides were recommended for use because they give a "hardness and lasting quality to the enamel of the teeth and so protect against decay". In 1965 (ninety-one years later) wide spread use of fluoridation as a preventive agent against dental carries is not being used, even though professional dental and medical people have been urging for compulsory fluoridation.

The Canadian Sickness Survey initiated by the Department of National Health and Welfare shows that only one-third of population seeks adequate dental care. The national annual cost of treatment of dental disease in Canada is still in excess of \$100,000,000! The mountain of decayed teeth is so great that not only will currently available dentists never catch up to the demand, but it is impossible to ever hope to train enough people in dentistry to treat all the people in the community requiring this service. The only possible solution is to reduce the number of decayed teeth.

Tests in many parts of the world, including Stratford and Brantford, Ontario, show that when fluorine is naturally present or is added to the water to the extent of about one part of fluorine to one million parts of water that the youngsters using this water during tooth development have sixty percent less tooth decay than those using non-fluorinated water. It benefits people of all ages but older people to a lesser degree.

It has never been proven that fluorine (even as much as eight times the amount recommended for dental care) has ever caused illnesses of any kind. As a matter of fact recent reports seem to indicate that fluorine aids the building and strengthening of bones.

An overwhelming amount of evidence for the benefits of fluoridation has been compiled over the past years and yet so little has been done about it. Why is this so? It is a mystery to me. The only conclusion that can be drawn is that too many people are uninformed as to the benefits of the scheme.

In the USA it is compulsory that all military stations fluoridate their water supplies. The cost of such a project? Is between ten to fifteen cents per year per person! Sound expensive? It doesn't to me considering the average dental bill per year is over 20 dollars. Perhaps if people died of dental disease then we would have compulsory fluoridation. But does it take that much for people to wake up and find out the facts? Surely the seriousness of dental decay is evident enough in our own homes to make us aware of this under-rated problem.

It is time the Dental and Medical personnel of our service began to put fluoridation pro-

grammes into effect. What is the hold-up? Fluoridation is officially recommended by: The Canadian Dental Association, The Canadian Medical Association, The Canadian Public Health Association, The World Health League of Canada, The World Health Organization (United Nations), and many other associations around the world and in Canada and the USA. It is time that something is done about it. It is time the service officially lays down a policy.

History of Demon

Formed at Thorney Island in Southern England in 1941, 407 "Demon" Squadron destroyed more than 400,000 tons of enemy shipping and then reversed the role and served the latter half of the war guarding our own shipping from U-boat attack.

The Squadron Badge, approved in 1953, shows a "Winged trident piercing the shank of an anchor." The badge represents the blows struck against enemy shipping by the Demon Squadron.

In 1952 407 Demon Squadron was re-activated on Canada's West coast and equipped with Lancasters. In 1958 the squadron converted to Neptune aircraft and flies them today in the primary role of the protection of Canada's west coast.

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A contract has been let to Acme Commercial Painting of Victoria to paint the exterior of the 100 unit new apartments. The work has been started and will continue for approximately two months.

It is realized that some inconvenience will be experienced by both the occupants and the contractor. However, it can be appreciated that any reasonable inconvenience must be tolerated to enable the required maintenance standards to be met.

The parents are requested to keep close surveillance on their children when the men are working in their area. The ladders, scaffolds, paint and thinners used on the job are very dangerous to children, and children playing around on this equipment present a hazard to the safety of the workmen. We do not want any injuries or children covered with paint this can be largely prevented with the co-operation of all concerned. Any problems pertaining to this project should be directed to the C. E. Section at Local 378, and in no instance should the occupant complain directly to the workmen.

The C. E. Section has signed in two officer cadets for "on the job" training this summer. O/C Lewis Slotin comes to Comox from the University of Manitoba where he is a second year Science Student. O/C Slotin is employed in the administration branch at CE under the guiding hand of F/O N. Kuhn. O/C Henry Labbe

hails from Quebec City's Laval University, where he is a third year Mechanical Engineering Student. O/C Labbe is busy in the Design and Requirements Section, where F/O L. Gibson is enlightening him with some of the practical aspects of the engineering profession.

The heating plant staff is losing two airmen - LAC Claude Bonnet is on his way to Goose Bay and LAC Guy Lamoureux is to take up residence in the bachelor's quarters at Station Pagwa.

The Admin Section is giving up LAC Al Black, a clerk engineer, who's services are required at Gypsumville. A farewell party was held recently to send these lads on their way with pleasant memories of CE and Station Comox.

The administration policy of rotating the supervisory personnel at CE has been implemented this week in the electrical section. Sgt Jim Chapman, who has been in charge of the electrical shop for four years, is moving into the design and requirements section to take over the duties of electrical estimator. Sgt. Bob Updell will relinquish his newly acquired swivel chair in D and R to Sgt. Chapman and assume the duties of electrical shop superintendent.

Rare Canadian Military Honour is recovered

The lost has been found, and Canadians can share in the glory of the rarest military honour ever accorded a Canadian, "The Queen's Scarf of Honour!"

Sixty-five years ago, Private Richard Rowland Thompson, "D" Company, 2nd (Special Service) Battalion, The Royal Canadian Regiment, won this unique award for his heroic efforts to save wounded comrades in the bloody fighting of the Boer War. He was the only Canadian to win it.

Thompson performed the feats of courage in the bitter fighting at Paardeberg Drift on the Modder River on Feb. 18, 1900 and a week later in the famed battle of Paardeberg.

In the last years of her life, at the age of 82, Queen Victoria crocheted six woolen scarves which bore her Royal Cipher, "V.R.I." She intended to present them personally to private soldiers of the Colonial Forces who distinguished themselves in the South African conflict, but died before she could do so.

Conditions under which the award was granted were of the highest order. Soldiers nominated have to be first recommended for the Victoria Cross, with subsequent recommendations for bravery in the field. It was to rank equally with the VC and be awarded by a vote of comrades in the field.

Thompson's Scarf has been located in the family home in Cork, Ireland. On May 24 it will come to rest in the National Museum in Canada's capital, scant miles from the small rural cemetery at New Chelsea, Que., where the hero is buried. Bombardier Kenneth Richardson, 33, of New Liskeard, Ont., an Army information specialist, was given the task of trying to track the elusive article down. His other duties in the Army public relations directorate prevented much headway so he took advantage of his leisure hours to pin it down.

Canadian scholarship trust foundation

In 1961, the Canadian Scholarship Trust Foundation was formed and since then over 23,000 children have been enrolled, and this figure is increasing by many thousands each year.

A group of prominent Canadians established the CST Foundation, a non-profit charitable corporation which offers a cradle to campus enrolment plan as a practical way for many families to finance a university education for their children. Costs range from as low as \$9.00 a month to no higher than \$25.00, or if parents prefer, a child can be enrolled with a single lump sum payment. Basically it is the Foundation's idea to invest these deposits in such a way that interest accruing over the years will provide, for students who qualify for university entrance and who pass successive years, a sum of money that will cover most of their university costs.

HOW DOES THIS PLAN WORK? Children may be enrolled in the foundation before they reach the age of 8 yrs and 4 months. A special savings account is opened in your name with Eastern and Chartered Trust Company - Trustee for the CST Foundation. Between now and the time your

child is ready for university you save a small amount each month or at other regular intervals. Alternatively, you may make one lump sum deposit. The amounts will depend upon the age of the child.

Your savings account is always in your own name with the Eastern and Chartered Trust Company and subject to withdrawal by you at any time. The interest credited to your account goes into the Canadian Scholarship Trust Fund administered by the trustee. All this interest is devoted solely to scholarships awarded to students who are enrolled in the plan.

When your child passes the first year he or she will receive a scholarship for the next year. Students qualify in the same manner in the third and fourth years. Children do not have to be honour students to benefit.

Scholarships cover normal academic expenses including tuition, registration, special la-

boratory or library fees, room and board, books, etc., and are accepted at any recognized institute of higher education in the world. This includes universities, colleges and technological institutes.

When your child enters one of these institutes, you withdraw your savings from the CST program to pay expenses the first year.

The CST Scholarship plan becomes effective in the second year and remains in effect for a maximum of three years.

The Canadian Scholarship Trust Plan provides the greatest potential financial return of any educational savings program.

Join with other farsighted parents in this non-profit university scholarship plan by enrolling your child now. It has proved to be the most economical method of providing the necessary funds to enable parents to send their children to university or technological institutes.

There is an education counsellor in this area who will offer you full information without obligation through Box 1721, Courtenay, phone 338-8116; or from 207 Central Bldg., 620 View Street, Victoria, B.C.

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Queen in Germany on CBC radio

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth's history-making State Visit to the Federal Republic of Germany is the subject of a special program to be broadcast Friday, May 28 at 8:00 p.m. PDT on the CBC radio network.

On the 30-minute program, CBC Bonn correspondent Phil Calder, London correspondent Michael Maclear and reporters Tim Ralfe and Ron LaPlante will report highlights of the Queen's 10-day tour of Germany, including West Berlin.

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh are scheduled to arrive at the Cologne-Bonn airport May 18 and to leave Hamburg for England aboard the Royal Yacht Britannia on May 28. During the 10-day visit, the Royal Party will stop at Munich to see a gala performance of Der Rosenkavalier, will attend a Baroque concert at Herrenhausen (where the Crown of England was presented to Elector George Ludwig — George I — by Lord Clarendon in 1714) and will see a cross section of activity in the Ruhr, along the Rhine, and in the Bavarian countryside.

The Queen will also visit British and Canadian troops of the Rhine Army. During the tour, the Queen will travel by plane, special train, Rhine steamer, and several types of automobiles. The Royal Train will comprise parts of three existing special trains used by leading officials of the German government.

The Royal Party will spend

Musical ride to tour B.C. in '66

The famed Royal Canadian Mounted Police musical ride will tour British Columbia during centennial celebrations in 1966.

The riders and the RCMP band will be one of the outstanding events of 1966 observances of the 100th anniversary of the union of the two crown colonies of Vancouver Island and British Columbia mainland.

The announcement was made by the Canadian Confederation Centennial Committee of British Columbia. Centennial committees in communities throughout the province have been asked whether they would join in sponsoring the performance. Final selection of the 14 centres to be visited by the troupe is yet to be made.

The ceremonial ride and accompanying band concert is famous throughout much of North America and was a well-remembered crowd pleaser during the 1958 observance of British Columbia's centenary.

A private weekend at Schloss Salem, the home of Prince Philip's sister, the Margravine of Baden. The Salem estate includes the school where the Duke — a fluent German-speaker — spent part of his schooldays.

Daily highlights of the Queen's visit to Germany will be reported on the regular CBC radio news programs.

"Peanuts" to receive education

PORT SAID, Egypt—Thanks to a Canadian Army corporal employed in the United Nations Emergency Force depot here, 14-year-old Ahmed Kalif Ismail will receive a high school education.

Cpl. Gilbert Shaw of Verdun, P.Q., a clerk with the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps' movement control detachment, has been looking after the educational needs of the young Egyptian since 1962, during his first stint in the Middle East.

"Peanuts," as the boy is known to the U.N. troops, left school at an early age when his father died. His meagre earnings from selling peanuts to the U.N. soldiers helped support his mother and two sisters.

"I was so impressed with his good manners and willingness to help that I got him a job as part-time office boy in our office," said Cpl. Shaw. The corporal enrolled him in the seventh grade in an afternoon school and Ahmed passed with a 75 per cent average. When Cpl. Shaw completed his tour and returned to Canada, he continued to support the boy's schooling. Ahmed responded by averaging 85 in grades 8 and 9.

The corporal's request to return to Port Said during a second tour in Egypt was approved. This summer, Ahmed will complete grade 10. Cpl. Shaw leaves for Canada in May but has made arrangements with a banking firm here to help finance the lad's attendance at grades 11 and 12.

Cpl. Shaw's family live at 390 Rielle Ave., Montreal. He has two boys, Billy and Michael, attending school there.

"One day," said Ahmed, "I would like to visit Canada, but my studies come first." He wants to be a doctor so he can "help people" as the corporal has helped him.

CBC FESTIVAL PRESENTS

Four-concert series

George Balanchine's famed New York City Ballet, Toronto Symphony conductor Seiji Ozawa, the Stern-Istomin-Rose Trio, and Soviet pianist Sviatoslav Richter highlight a four-concert series, "In Praise Of Great Performers", on CBC-TV's Festival in June.

The June concerts are the final programs of the current Festival season, providing music lovers with some outstanding fare.

The series opens on Wednesday, June 2, at 9:30 p.m., with a one-hour program of ballet. Members of the New York City Ballet company perform two works created by their eminent director-choreographer George Balanchine. These are The Four Temperaments, to music by Paul Hindemith, and Ivesiana, a dance impression of New York by night, to the music of American composer Charles Ives. Piano soloist in The Four Temperaments is Gordon Boelzner. The orchestra is directed by Robert Irving, permanent conductor with the New York City Ballet.

The ballet program was produced in Montreal by Pierre Morin, and telecast last season on L'heure du concert, a CBC-TV French network series. Supervising producer is J. Armand Landry.

The second concert in the Festival series, on Wednesday, June 9 (9:30 p.m.) will introduce to a Canada-wide television audience the high-

ly-acclaimed young Japanese conductor Seiji Ozawa, whose tenure as permanent conductor of the Toronto Symphony begins with the upcoming season. The television concert, subtitled "Meet Seiji Ozawa", is an intimate portrait, showing the conductor at work with the Toronto Symphony, in a rehearsal and performance of the Symphonie Fantastique, by Berlioz. The program is produced in CBC's Toronto studios by Franz Kraemer.

Pre-empted on June 16 for

a Camera Canada documentary, Festival returns Wednesday, June 23, with its third concert of the month. Subtitled "Music for Camera", this features the outstanding instrumental trio—violinist Isaac Stern, pianist Eugene Istomin and cellist Leonard Rose—in works by Beethoven and Brahms. The program, taped in Toronto, is produced by Vincent Tovell.

The current Festival season ends on Wednesday, June 30.

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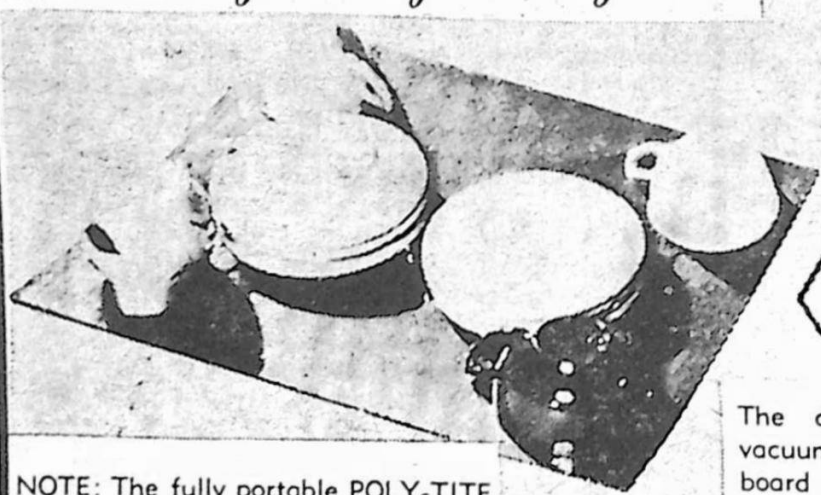
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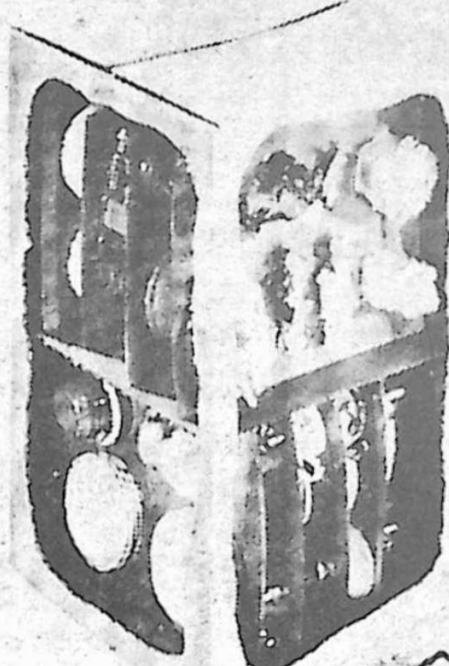
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vice celebrations staged annually in the past. The Atlantic Coast ceremony will be at Halifax on June 26, Pacific Coast at Victoria on the same day, the Manitoba region at Winnipeg on Sept. 11 or 26, and Quebec area at St. Hubert on Sept. 18.

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"Few people realize that we are in the middle of one of the most exciting theological ferment of this century." — Dr. J. Robinson, Bishop of Woolwich.

As in the days of Saint Augustine and Martin Luther, signs show that a rebirth and a renewal is taking place throughout the Christian church today.

"This is a dangerous process, but immensely exhilarating," says one of its leaders, the Bishop of Woolwich, "and the excitement thing is that it is not being forced upon the Church from the outside, but is welling up from within."

Beginning Monday, May 31, at 10 p.m. CBC Television will present a four-part, public affairs series about the shape and future of the Christian church, entitled Ferment. It features the views of several outstanding authorities, including the Bishop of Woolwich, Dr. John Robinson, and the eminent Protestant theologian Paul Tillich.

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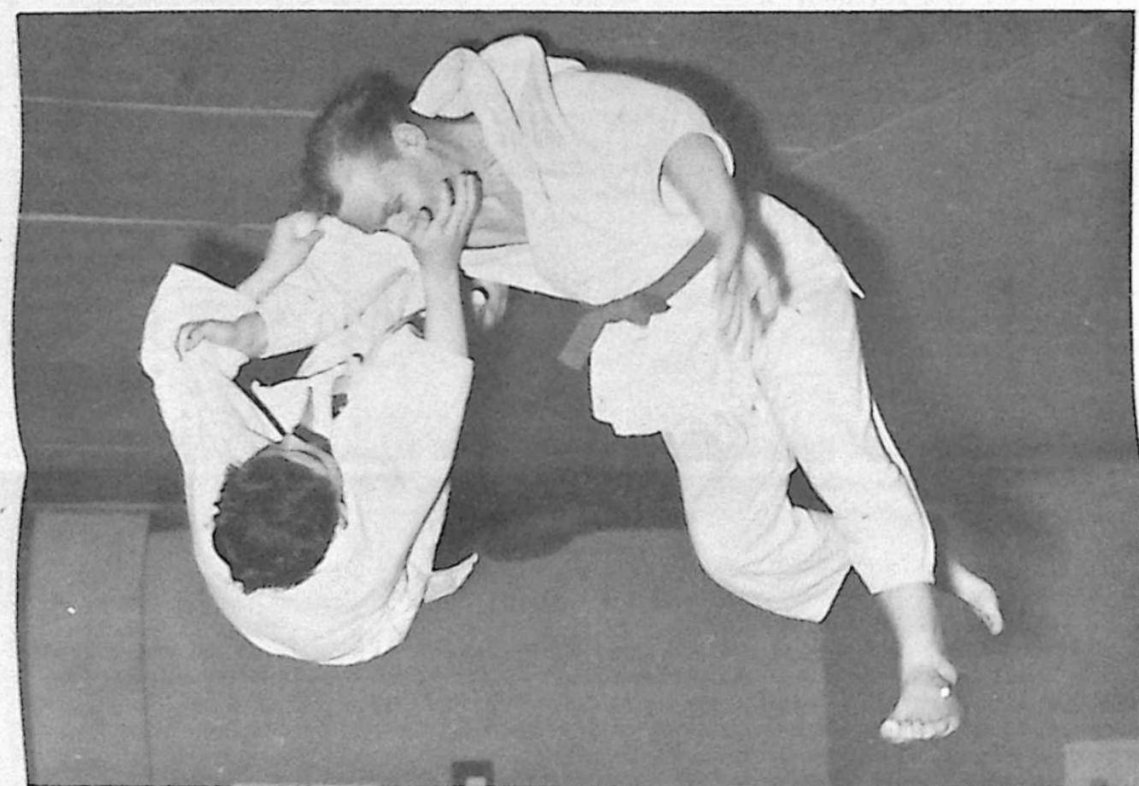
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JUDO CLASS (l. to r.) —Ken Milne, LAC Ed Ball (instructor), Bruce Balfour. Front: Scott Frazer, Duncan Brown, Gary Stevenson and Terry Lester. A number of boys are missing due to other commitments when this picture was taken.



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Brownie & Guide News

Brown Owl, Mrs. R. Meranger and Tawny Owl, Mrs. R. Waite, of the 2nd RCAP Pack have been very busy. The Brownies have earned so many badges and passed so many tests that two parents' nights were held for presentations.

Golden Hands were presented to Barbara Dennis, Norma Garragher, Donna Fleury, and a Golden Ladder to Penny Gibbons.

Golden Bars were earned by Louise Davis, Brenda Stevens, Heather Tylor, Rhonda Duncan, Elizabeth Birch and a first year Service Star to Ina Fenn.

Another pleasing event of the evening was when Mrs. Ackland offered her services as Fairy Godmother. Mrs. Ackland will help out where needed and do test work for the Brownies of the 2nd Pack and will also represent this pack in the District Local Association.

Mrs. J. Craig, the Commissioner for Komox District, has been accepted for the 1965 Heritage Camp. This camp will be held at the B.C. Provincial Guide Campsite at Tseena during July. LOST—Boy's dark grey jacket with red lining. Lost in the PMQ area. Please phone 339-3594 if you've found this jacket.

DEPENDANTS DOINGS

By MRS. GEARY

Frustrations, I have many! Especially trying to remember the names and faces of all the people I meet in this job. Please, if I look at you rather vacantly it's because I'm trying to remember where I've seen you before and if I do know you and, by the time I remember, it's too late! Then to add to the confusion the men look quite different when they're in uniform and when they are in civvies. Also, when they have their hat on and when it's off. Each time they seem to be a different person (in looks) and, by the time I have them figured out, it's too late again. Oh, to have a quick memory for names and faces! Now the ones I do know right off the bat are going away and I have to start all over again. Oh boy.

The JITP Legion Track and Field Branch Meet will be held at the Station Field on May 30th starting at 12 noon. All winners of this meet will go on to the Zone Meet in Port Alberni and the winners of that one will go on to the Provincial Championships at Richmond, B.C. Some of our own competitors stand a very good chance.

Baseball and softball are coming along very well with the help of many fellows who have given up their spare hours each week so that the girls and boys have the chance to play. Some of these volunteers give as much as 10 to 12 hours a week and many of them are single. The ones who are married and have a family usually

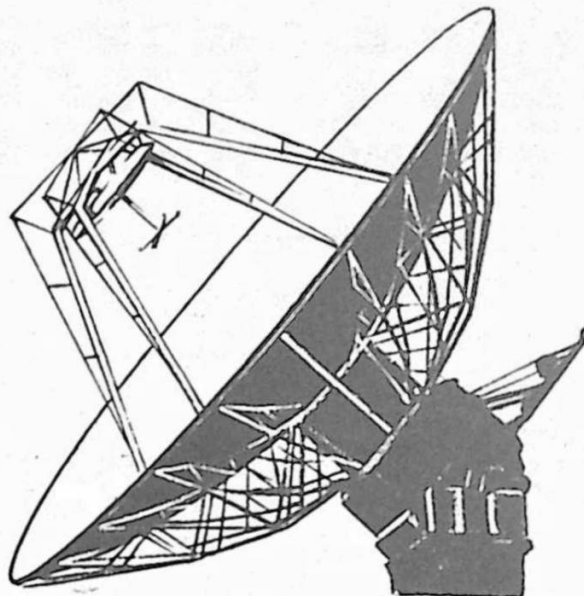
haven't children of their own in the sport. Why is this? Where's "good old Dad"? Even if you'd ump one game, everything would be a cinch. Umps have been a problem but it seems to be straightening out now. A couple more would help though. Aw, c'mon Corporal, I wasn't really that mad. Honest!

All the boys who have basketballs signed out, would you please return them as soon as possible. For those who are interested; there will be a Red Cross Water Safety Instructor School at Port Alberni from June 30th to July 5th. Applications may be obtained now from the Branch Water Safety Committee chairman or directly from the Canadian Red Cross Society, Water Safety Services, 1235 West Pender St., Vancouver 1, B.C. B.C. Water Safety director, Gerry Cook, advises early application.

The Junior and senior Judo Club have a tournament coming up on Sunday, June 13. This will be with a lot of outside competition so it should be very interesting. Plan to be there and support our guys and gals. I hear that the Army has made this activity compulsory. We should feel proud that such a large number at this station take part in it for sheer enjoyment. There are approximately 20 boys of 10 years and up who are in the Juniors and around 40 in the seniors. With some help but carrying the main

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JUNIOR ART CLASSES — These classes held their last class recently with many high points in the year. Their pictures were exhibited twice in Courtenay and Mrs. Sandy Heybroek (noted artist of Comox Valley) judged their paintings for them. Pictured here are (l. to r.) Glen Douglas, Sue Cormier (honorable mention), Mrs. D. Douglas (instructor), Patti Stamme (1st prize), Alexis Stamme (2nd prize), Mrs. S. Mason (instructor), Nancy Pozdik (honorable mention), Mona Geary and Pamela Mason. Missing are Paul Douglas and Leonard Bonnett.

Dependants Doings

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load of the club is LAC Ed Ball who is doing a tremendous job. Please, Ed, don't get transferred!

I have some information on hand that states: birth certificates are available from the Dept. of Health in Quebec. There seems to be a lot of confusion on this issue so anyone wishing further information can call my office (372) in the afternoons. Plastic, wallet size cards are also available.

I had a call from Mrs. Phillips of the Comox Public Health Unit asking to have an announcement made. She feels that not too many mothers realize there is a Well-Baby Clinic held in the Protestant Chapel every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month from 1:30 to 3:30. For anyone wishing more information or wanting an appointment, you can phone 339-2022 any morning of the week. This service is very worthwhile and costs nothing.

The Canadian Amateur Swimming Ass'n presents a Swimming & Diving Coaches' Clinic especially for the B.C. Summer Swimming Clubs. This clinic will be held at the University of B.C. (Empire Pool) on Saturday and Sunday, June 12th-13th. For further information contact the Rec Director at Loc. 372.

A general meeting of the Totem Teenaires will be held at the PMQ School on Sunday, May 30th at 3 p.m. All Teens are urged to attend.

NOTICE
A general meeting of all Pee-wee, Juvenile B, Juvenile A and Girls' Softball coaches and managers is being called for Tuesday, June 1st at 8:30 p.m. at the CRA Hall. This is an extraordinary meeting and you are requested to make every effort to attend.

COMOX VALLEY PLAYGROUND LEADERS' CLINIC — sponsored by the Cumberland, Comox, Courtenay and Wallace Gardens Recreation Commissions — to be held on June 5th, 12th and 19th at the CRA Hall from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Candidates must meet the following requirements:
1. Must have reached their 15th birthday.
2. Must be willing to work as summer playground leaders.

REGISTRATION must be made with your own local Recreation Commission prior to June 4th. Equipment — Running shoes, slacks and T-shirt or blouse.
NOTE! Only those attending this course will be considered for the jobs at the Wallace Gardens Summer Programme.

PROGRAMME: First Aid, Artificial Respiration, Story-Telling, Arts & Crafts, Low Organized Games, Special Events Days, Special Events, Music and Drama, Leadership Training and What is a Playground Programme and Programme Planning. Plans are being made to bring in two professional summer playground supervisors to instruct along with local help.

This will be an excellent opportunity for both Teens and Adults and I urge you to attend with the hopes of a bigger and better Summer Programme this year.

FOUR SHIPS SAIL

Four ships of the RCN Atlantic Command sailed from Halifax May 4 on a two-month training cruise to British and Scandinavian waters.

They are the aircraft carrier Bonaventure, destroyer escorts Ottawa and Chaudiere and the operational support ship Provider. They will be joined in mid-June by the helicopter destroyer Assiniboine for exercises with units of the Royal Navy in home waters.

The ships' program includes visits, either singly or in pairs, to ports in Great Britain and to Copenhagen, Denmark, Stockholm, Sweden, and Helsinki, Finland. Additional details will be announced later.

The Provider will support them in British waters in the latter part of May, will return to Halifax until mid-June and then proceed again to British waters, returning home in company with the others July 9.

This Clinic is open to all male or female candidates from all recreation commissions in the Comox Valley.

Bantam football coach honored

The B.C. Bantam Football Conference will conduct their Second Annual Clinic for Minor League Coaches, officials, trainers, and team managers on June 5th, 1965 at Minoru Pavilion in Richmond, B.C. Over 300 adult volunteers will attend a series of lectures that will assist in the developing of competent instructors who will pass on their knowledge to the youngsters in their respective communities.

Jim Baker of the Courtenay Bantam Football Assn. will be given special awards at the Clinic for his outstanding efforts for coaching youngsters in bantam football. Heading this year's list of guest speakers will be John D. Scott, Trustee of the Pop Warner Football League from headquarters in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The Pop Warner Football League is the largest Minor Football organization in the world. There are over one million youngsters participating in the Pop Warner brand of safety first football throughout the United States and in several foreign lands. John Scott is a member of President Johnson's War on Poverty committee, a physical education teacher, a recreation director and owner of a large florist store in Philadelphia. Other speakers include Gordon McNab, a trainer and school teacher from Winston Churchill High School, Al Weinen, a coach and school teacher from Orcas Island in the U.S., Ron Docherty, President of the Conference, Dr. R. Warshawski representing the B.C. Dental Society, Neil Rand, winning coach from the Richmond Bantam Football Club, Stan Lillibridge, a school principal from Everett, Washington, and many more qualified instructors.

The clinic is sponsored by the B.C. Bantam Football Conference in co-operation with the B.C. Lions Football Club, the National Fitness and Community Programs Branch, Dept. of Education, and the Richmond Canadian Football Assn.

Any person wishing to engage or is actively engaged in bantam football as a coach, trainer, official and manager is welcome to attend. The Second Annual Bantam Conference Clinic will be held on Saturday, June 5th,

SPORTS...by Stan

The weatherman has co-operated in providing ideal weather for baseball, softball, as a matter of fact for all outdoor activity your little old heart desires. The Inter-Section and Inter-Mess softball league is in full swing and with this warm weather not only are the participants out, but many of the spectators are out cheering their favorite teams. The league standing for both Inter-Section and Inter-Mess is listed below, as of 25th May.

Gms. Plyd.	Pts.
Teens 4	7
121 G 5	7
409 G 4	6
H'dquarters 4	4
409/121 Air 4	4
Arm't 2	2
USAF 3	2
407 Air 4	0
407 G 2	0
Inter-Mess	
Cpls. Club 2	4
Sgts. Mess 2	2
Totem Inn 2	2
Officers' Mess 2	0

GOLF
After considerable confusion and uncertainty the station golf team finally de-

parted for RCSME, Vedder Crossing to compete in the Tri-Service Golf Tournament to be held on 27th and 28th of May. For a while it was decided a team could not be put together due to station commitments, but at the last minute a team was formed and away they went. After all the terrible luck they had in getting a team, we hope their luck will change during the two-day tournament.

Free federal map

Schools in Canada under the jurisdiction of provincial departments of education, where geography is taught as a part of the regular curriculum, may obtain without charge from the department of mines and technical surveys, Ottawa, a kit of up-to-date maps selected particularly for use in the classroom.

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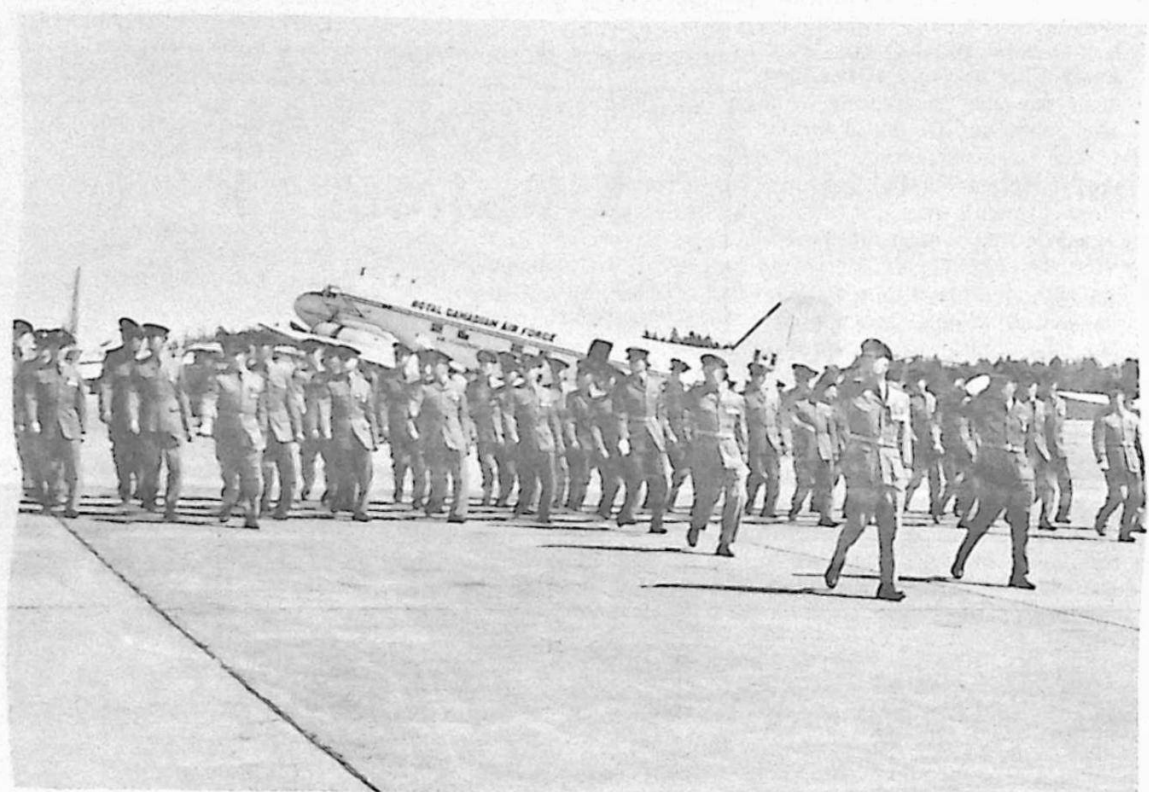
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S/L BROWN LEADING MARCH PAST

On Friday, May 21, three flights of 121 personnel participated in an investiture parade in front of 121 KU hangar. The following personnel received clasps to CDs or CDs as indicated:

FS G. M. T. Dupuis, Clasp
Sgt. J. F. Bumby, Clasp
Sgt. J. E. Reasbeck, Clasp
Cpl. C. R. Murray, CD
LAC D. Chisholf, CD
LAC L. V. Morrison, CD
LAC J. R. Y. Soucy, CD
The following personnel

received helicopter conversion course certificates:

F/L M. Bartsch.
F/L J. K. Dumont.
F/L R. O. Hughes.
F/L E. M. Neil.
F/L J. E. Riley.

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121 CHOPPER LIFTS CHOPPER



An RCAF CH113 "Labrador" helicopter from 121 Rescue Unit here may have set a record on 15 May when it successfully lifted another helicopter from the 13,500 foot level of Mt. Kennedy, in the Yukon Territory. The disabled machine, a Bell 47, was owned by Klondike Helicopters Ltd. and was under a charter to the National Geographic Society. It was forced to land because of engine trouble last week. The crew was evacuated by another commercial helicopter.

The RCAF does not normally engage in salvage operations, but was called to assist because no

commercial firm in Canada had the equipment for this undertaking. The rotor assembly was removed on Friday and flown to Haines Junction, 60 miles west of Whitehorse. On Saturday the RCAF helicopter successfully lifted the smaller machine and flew it to Whitehorse, a distance of 140 miles, where it will be repaired. The Bell 47 is estimated to have weighed about 1600 lbs. after removal of the rotors.

The Labrador crew were: F/L Dan Campbell and Ed Riley, crewmen Corporals Mattson and Lemieux, Leading Aircraftsmen Mader and Grennan.

Poisonous stones in this district?

Of course the stones found around B.C. are not normally poisonous—unless made that way by people.

The recently reported news story about a child who required hospital care after placing a stone, that had been sprayed with a weed killer solution, in his mouth, should serve as a timely warning to all home gardeners. At this time of year and throughout the summer, a wide variety of chemicals used to control unwanted plant growth, bugs and insects, plant diseases, etc., will provide a constant hazard to our youngsters (and pets) unless adults accept their responsibility to keep these potential "child poisons" out of harm's way. B.C. hospital records show that, of all cases of poisoning requiring hospital admittance of children under 15, 85 per cent occur in the age group one to four! In addition there are the many more who require emergency ward treatment or medical care in their homes.

Curiosity, testing and tasting are natural to the learning process of little children. Apparently, young children do not have a discriminating sense of taste as indicated by the wide variety of unpleasant tasting liquids and solids they ingest. Adults must never count on children not attempting to eat or drink substances which would be quite

unpalatable to us.

Failure to read the "fine-print" can create serious difficulties in business contracts; failure to read, and scrupulously follow, ALL the directions on containers of garden sprays, dusts, fertilizers, etc., can lead to death.

Even worse is "booby-trapping" our children by putting these materials in some innocent looking container. One might recall the case of a child who drank from a well known soft drink bottle and died of poisoning caused by a powerful disinfectant. Adults are not entirely free of this danger either. A city workman died before he could be conveyed to hospital after drinking a weed killing solution from another kind of innocent looking bottle.

Let us take full advantage of the experience of others by:

1. Always keeping harmful substances out of the reach of children. Remember, the curiosity to climb and poke into the most unlikely places is normal to kids—hiding containers is no insurance they won't be found.
2. Always keep the closest supervision on children when garden chemicals are being used. Better still, plan to use them when young children are not around.
3. Always read ALL the instructions carefully and observe them.

PICTURES OF S.A.R. KEEN TAKEN BY F/L KEITH



Section of Coal River that MSgt. Keen was located. (Aircraft can be seen in circle.)



S-O-S put up by MSgt. Keen. Arrow points in direction of his camp.



MSgt. Keen arriving safely at Watson Lake. Successful search aircraft 302 is in background.

121 ON TAP

Well in the past month, the old squadron has really been a beehive of activity. Just to dwell on the past for a second; the last time this column was written, it was here stated that a search was being carried out at Fort Nelson with no results. Naturally next day there was results and thanks to an alert editor this was changed before press time.

We would certainly be remiss in not adding our congratulations to the crew for its sterling effort. After ten days of thumping around in the Albert its not very hard to miss something on the ground. I'm sure spirits were starting to dwindle after so many unsuccessful days, but this just goes to show you.

But what's one good search without another. So five days after SAR Keen was wrapped up, the squadron shifted their efforts to Prince George and SAR Davis. At first everyone felt confident that this would be a quickie. After all, it was only a two hour flight from Grand Prairie to Prince George. But after ten days of searching with nary a trace, it was given up.

Our searchmaster, "Uncle Al," ran a smooth ship. Of course there wasn't any reason he shouldn't have, with all the advice he had from the peanut gallery. I think it can be safely stated without contradiction that the civilian co-operation on this search was really excellent. A note of thanks to all who were directly or indirectly involved. It makes quite a difference.

Despite the choppers heroics in the Yukon, they chalked up a black on the search. Seems they weren't taking spotters on the chopper under any circumstances, until a couple of cute tweets came out as spotters.

They were hustled into the chopper in very short order. This in itself is a good skit but not just after refusing to take the

civilian coordinator of the search. Tch! Tch!

In between these escapades, a 121 squadron party was held at the rec centre. It's really amazing to see the size of the squadron when a goodly portion get together.

It seemed apparent that everybody enjoyed themselves with only one small skirmish to blemish the evening. They were probably drinking Cleopatras. Uh... you don't know what a Cleopatra is? Well ask your buddy, maybe he knows. All in all I hope that we can have these thrashes more often.

They say everybody loves a parade, so last Friday we had a parade. A/C Weston reviewed the troops and later presented S/L Brown with a hill watchers badge or something to that effect. It has a bit to do with skiing but is more concerned with girl-watching, cigarette-smoking and beer drinking.

And remember; never put off till tomorrow what you can do the day after.



G/C LUPTON

Group Captain H. W. Lupton, 45, of Victoria and Regina, will take up a senior staff appointment with 4th Allied Tactical Air Force, Ramstein, Germany, in late July.

He has been senior air staff officer at Air Transport Command, Trenton, Ont., since July, 1961.

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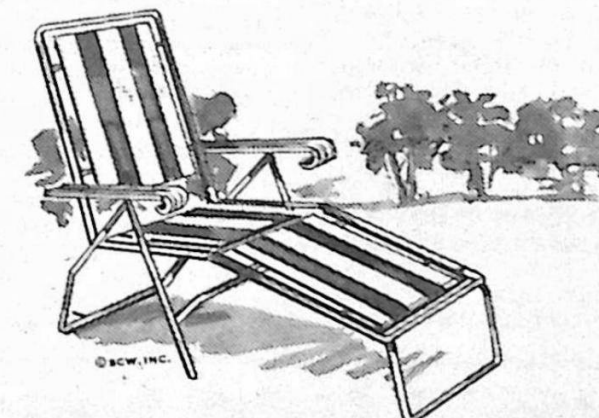
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Congratulations to Jake and Mary on their new arrivals. But I thought that things always happen in threes not pairs! Maybe next time, eh Mary? And Jake, it goes without saying, keep up the good work.

The squadron just finished a successful exercise with the HMCS Grille. There were two crew 6 observers on board just to make sure here was no cribbing going on. A couple of more crews reached "combat-readiness", could our two observers have anything to do with it?

Say Dave, how do VW's stand up under grueling road handling tests? Care to mention your pros and cons?

Sad farewells were spoken during the 407 Dining-In-Night. The squadron officially said goodbye to: S/L Bowman, Lt/Cmd Shoemaker, F/L Doucet, F/L Shields, F/L Riggs, F/L Hopkins, F/L Trembley, F/L Koziak, F/L Burns, and F/O Pattison.

Three members of Crew 6 and the CO of 407 have just returned from a week in New London. Who has the expensive tastes, or in other words, anyone for Manhattans? I'm sure 407 Sqn will be remembered for some time to come.

Could there be a trip to Bermuda looming up in the future? (rumor for the week.

COBOC Cacophony

By THE DUKE AND ASSOCIATES
My apologies for not having a column in last issue. I was working so hard that I couldn't find time to write an article.

I guess the biggest thing at this time is our new summer rest home in Nanaimo. In case you aren't sure what our home is like I'll tell you about a few features. It has four bedrooms of quite desirable size, a nice large living room with a fireplace, a dining room and a kitchen. The basement has a bedroom and a shower. The grounds around the house are beautiful with nice big trees and grass all around. This house was rented for the purpose of serving as a place to "get away from it all" and to rest up after long hard weeks on the job. The address of our home is classified as people other than Coboc members may show with the idea they are going to have a party. Now, our members agreed that this is not the purpose of our summer rest home.

Our Dining In Night is planned for June 3, so everybody make sure you are available for this occasion. We have a few honored guests and we plan on presenting going away gifts to departing members.

I understand there is a possibility of a little party in Cold Lake. Apparently there are a few teachers up there who have heard about us down here and they would like to meet us. It would be nice if about 30 of us could be available for the event.

Two of our members took the big step and got married on our last week end. Doug Hutchison and Sean Dennehy figured that their lives as married men would be more interesting than that of a single man and now they've had it. There is no turning back now boys. Tear up your membership cards to the club.

We have a couple more marriages to go through yet, but no danger of our club getting smaller. A few new faces are showing up. Norm Williamson and John Brennen, both 121, reported in recently and we have a few more to come.

On Mother's Day? Coboc picked a "Mother of the Night" from these mothers present at the dinner and presented her with a bottle of champagne and a bouquet of roses. The mother chosen was Mrs. Len Dodd and a worthy choice indeed. She managed to drink that bottle with the greatest of ease and even outlasted a few of the single troops.

Bert Livingstone and Jim Howden bought themselves a 26-foot yacht in Victoria the other day. By the way things are going, it will take them all summer to reach Comox. It has taken them two weeks to reach Parksville and that's when they had a serviceable engine. Imagine what it will be like rowing that big boat up the coast from Parksville.

Vern Vouriot with his brand new Corsia took second in class at the Okanagan Hill Climb over the long week end. He was beaten by a GTO by only 9/10 of a second. I guess that white stripe he painted over the hood and across the roof and trunk of his car makes it go faster.

No one has pulled any outstanding boners in the last while except for Bullwinkle purchasing a baby crib at the local auction. There was also one other little gem but this is not the place to mention it. It could be most embarrassing, eh, Dave!

A note for the DEMON-ETTES. Thank you for the interest shown in your column last week. Maybe we'll have a tea party in our summer home together providing you ditch your husbands. It's food for thought anyway.

Nighthawks' Detachment 5 News Nest

Nighthawks over the last few weeks, have had to sacrifice much of their "hit and hunt" time on the golf links, to meet the annual "hover and dart" show down for the ADC TacEval Team here this week. As the dust settled after the usual hectic comings and goings demanded by the inspecting team, the Nighthawks came through with what seemed a pretty imposing and pleasing effort . . . a particular HATS OFF is felt in order for the job done by the 409 ground crews, who went all the way in splendid style at keeping the aircraft turned around and flying.

A showdown can be seen in the not too distant future, between the selection of TV programming in the aircrew alert room. The dispute has been developing in a split caused by one group wanting to watch the mediocre jazz and general musical entertainment, while the other element favor the more artistic and cultural pursuits of The Adams Family and The Munsters.

Word was received that our very good friend and dashing lovable Terry Niell, is posted to postings and careers in ADC. Terry for the next few years will be operating the dart board deciding all our destinies.

F/O Jim Schultz has been transferred to recruiting in Calgary for his next tour. Chances are pretty good then that for the next few years we will be getting a lot of ex-chuckwagon drivers, as aircrew trainees. Good news was received last week by the reunion committee about The Encores from Victoria being available for the reunion dance on Jul 31. The Encores last spring at the officers' mess were hilarious with their original and entertaining stage show.

RCAF visits North Island

Two P-2V "Neptune" patrol aircraft of the Royal Canadian Air Force arrived aboard North Island this week for duty.

The aircraft bearing the symbolic red and white Maple Leaf Flag of Canada, are assigned to the Maritime Patrol Squadron Four Hundred Seven of the RCAF, led by Wing Commander K. O. Moore.

A detachment of that squadron, under Squadron Leader H. E. Bowman, is participating in a joint Anti-submarine Warfare exercise with the ships and aircraft of the U. S. Navy's Pacific Fleet.

North Island based Patrol



"That's men for you" . . . windows, windows, windows, but not a single curtain."

Detachment 5 wound up its first semi-annual Team Low-Ball Golf Tournament last Friday. The purpose of the tournament was to improve the caliber of Detachment 5 golfers to the C.O.'s satisfaction. As you can see, great strides were made during the past two weeks.

Sgt's George Broadnax and Lloyd Locke took first place in the event. Their winning net score in the 36-hole tournament was 120.

In second place was the team of TSgt's John W. McGinty Jr. and Frank R. Niccum, with 125. One stroke behind was the team of Major Ralph L. Crutchfield and SSgt Herbert L. Lansaw. Also finishing were: MSgt Walter R. Turner and MSgt Joseph F. Maggioncalda, 135; CMSgt William K. Fraser and MSgt William F. C. Jesse, 138; 1st Lt Donald E. Wagner and SSgt James E. Funkhouser, 139; SSgt Donald G. Clough and SSgt Reynaldo Norde, 141; 1st Lt Samuel C. Noyes and SSgt Edward R. Darroff, 146; and 1st Lt Billy J. Womack and AIC Douglas W. Paul, 169.

The tournament was played at the Sunnydale Golf Club in Courtenay. Team score was the total for the two days of the event, with the low score for either player on each hole counted for total score.

Trophies were awarded for the first three places, and golf balls were awarded to contestants hitting the longest drive on holes 2 and 11; closest to the pin on holes 3, 8 and 14; and closest to the green on hole 3.

SSgt Broadnax turned in the longest drives of the contest. Closest to the pin prizes were won by MSgt Turner, SSgt Funkhouser and AIC Paul. CMSgt Fraser won the prize for closest to the green.

Teams for the tournament were chosen on the basis of one golfer and one duffer per team, and were selected about two weeks before the event began so the non-golfing half of each team could familiarize himself with the fundamentals of the game.

In other news, two members of Detachment 5 were married recently, and two others re-enlisted.

Joining the ranks of the married men were SSgt J. W. Mayberry and AIC Houston Dixon. Re-enlistees were SSgt Herbert L. Lanshaw and AIC Nephi G. Simmons.

SSgt Mayberry married Miss Patricia Walker in a ceremony at St. Andrew's Anglican Church in Courtenay. A reception, held at the Royston Community Hall, followed the ceremony.

The former Miss Walker is from England.

Squadron Forty Eight (VP-48) is hosting the Canadian squadron.

Normally stationed at Comox, British Columbia, the Canadian patrol squadron files antisubmarine patrols of eight to ten hours duration over the North Pacific. The squadron returns to its home base May 12.

AIC Dixon departed Station Comox on leave single and returned from Brooklyn, New York, married. His bride is the former Miss Bernadette Franklin, who is a nurse at Long Island College Hospital.

Re-enlistee SSgt Lansaw is from Missouri. He has been in the Air Force since 1957. AIC Simmons, the other Detachment airman to begin another four years in the USAF, is a native of Idaho. He has been in service since 1955.

New Appointment

Wing Commander J. F. Dunlop, 42, of Vancouver, has been appointed officer commanding 427 Squadron of 3 Fighter Wing, Zweibrücken, Germany, and will assume his duties July 5, 1965.

Wing Cmdr. Dunlop joined the RCAF in 1941. He served overseas as a Lancaster Pilot, and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross in 1944. Following various appointments in Canada after the war, he was transferred to the United Kingdom as an exchange flying instructor in 1951. From 1953 to 1957 Wing Cmdr. Dunlop served in Canada, then was transferred to Europe where he assumed command of 434 (Fighter) Squadron of 3 Fighter Wing. In 1961, he was transferred to the Directorate of Operational Requirements, AFHQ, Ottawa.

Prior to his new appointment, Wing Cmdr. Dunlop was commanding officer of RCAF Station, Armstrong, Ontario.

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TO BE OR NOT TO BE
I am an omnivorous fellow! Yeah, I eat every kind of food. I enjoy a catsup sandwich, anchovies, canapés or chicken-pot pie. This is my big trouble actually. If I picked at my food and left it practically untouched, I wouldn't have people so concerned with this extra layer of fat that girds me so all enveloping. But, I wouldn't want to be a fussy, particular eater either. It might change my whole outlook on life. I grew up in the days of austerity and was taught that the strip of fat on the steak or slice of ham was as good as the lean. I still feel that mother was right!

What if a fellow got lost and had nothing to eat for a couple of weeks? Shouldn't he have a buffer stockpile around the middle that would see him through this ordeal? Or if he was cast adrift in a lifeboat (perhaps this doesn't happen every day but it might just happen) without supplies. What then! That's the trouble with life. If you put aside a little money for a rainy day you are considered prudent and noted for being practical. Yet if you take on a little fat in preparation for lean times, you are scorned and given an alternative. I hope that I get stranded on an island or lost in a jungle, so I can say, "there, I told you so!"

Of course, I blame other conditions too! When you come home at suppertime and smell the delicious aroma of fresh, home cooked rolls and see a crock

of home baked beans with large strips of bacon on top concealing the delectable wealth underneath, it is difficult to take a small helping of chemical food supplement in a glass of water. I suppose I could but it would mean coming in the front door, going to the bedroom, locking myself in and swallowing the key. Then, who knows, perhaps keys are fattening.

I still think there should be some other approach to this business of reducing. Maybe, if they locked a guy up in a cage like one of those carnivorous animals and hung out a large sign that read, "Don't feed this fat brute!" it might help. Or just drop him off at some little "out of the way" place along the Caribbean Sea near the West Indies for a few weeks, then the whole matter would no doubt resolve itself.

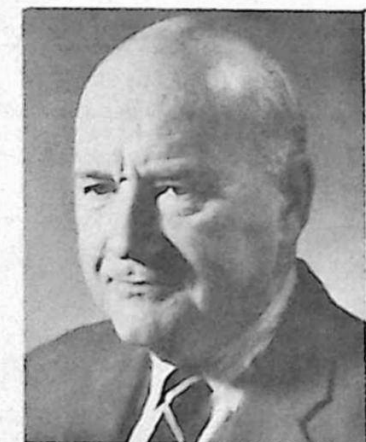
But no! They won't take these practical approaches to the problem, they insist on self inflicted hunger in a land of plenty. Every time I go South to the deep-freeze in the basement, I feel like a Carpet-bagger sneaking in from the North and taking advantage of my own food supply. I even find myself furtively sneaking to the cookie jar as though it contained someone's life savings and not just good old fashioned molasses cookies. However, I think that I am gradually growing mentally stronger about this business that leaves me physically weaker.

How about that!

New historical head chosen

Col. Charles P. Stacey, 58, professor of history at the University of Toronto and former head of the Canadian Army Historical Section, has been appointed director of an integrated historical section for the Canadian forces. He has been granted leave from the university for a limited period to head the new organization.

Col. Stacey will be responsible for forming a single organization in place of the three separate service historical sections. A history of the Royal Canadian Air Force in the Second World War will be one of the first major projects to be undertaken. Second World War histories of the Royal Canadian



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Woman at Expo

Women were frequently in the limelight at Expo 67 during the month of May.

The highlight, of course, was the visit by Their Imperial Majesties, the Shah of Iran and the Empress. Her Imperial Majesty Farah Pahlavi visited the site of the Iranian Pavilion along with the Shah during a three-day visit to Montreal.

While the Shah gave a press conference, the Empress was given a special briefing on Habitat 67, a housing complex being built as part of Expo's theme, Man and His World. The Empress studied architecture in Paris before her marriage to the Shah in 1959.

His Royal Highness Reza Pahlavi, the Crown Prince, was born in 1960, and Her Royal Highness Princess Farahnaz Pahlavi was born in 1963. The young children did not accompany their parents.

Earlier in the month, Governor General George Vanier and Mme. Vanier, made their first visit to the island site of Expo 67. They donned hard hats for a tour which included a look at a new bridge being built to link Ile Sainte-Helene to the mainland.

Three women were among the more than 100 delegates who came from 36 countries for the first meeting of the Commissioners General for the World Exhibition. They were Miss Agnes Clarysse, administrative director for the Belgian participation; Miss Luciana Semenka of the European Common Market delegation; and Mme Jocelyne Etienne, artistic director for the Ivory Coast's participation.

One of the most charming of Expo's feminine visitors was Chung Mi Hahm. Chung Mi, the four-year-old daughter of the charge d'affaires at the Korean Embassy in Ottawa, delighted Expo officials and reporters when she attended a press conference. She imitated reporters by taking her own set of notes, then posed happily for photographers.

dian Navy and the Canadian Army have already been published.

Col. Stacey retired from the army in 1959 after a distinguished career in his field. Appointed historical officer at Canadian Military Headquarters, London, England, in 1940, he supervised the historical program of the army overseas. He was appointed director in 1945 and retired in 1959 to join the faculty of the University of Toronto.

The British Columbian in 1865 reported a brisk trade between New Westminster and Puget Sound ports. In one week the Alexandra brought 79 oxen and three horses from Olympia. The Diana brought 200 hogs from the same port and from Whidby Island the Eliza Anderson brought 500 sheep.

Demonettes Doings

Since the last writing of Demonette Doings there have been a lot of happy "A" Flight wives—the fellows returned from San Diego with goodies galore and all full of news of the big cities. We fortunately have had tremendous weather and everyone is getting their tans—getting ready for the Shipwreck party at the Officer's Mess no doubt! Let's see lots of spirited 407'er's out and show the rest of the people we know what to do if we are shipwrecked—How about it Demonettes?

Oh, Libby, you were almost shipwrecked, weren't you? The crazy Powell River ferry—most thoughtless of it not to wait for you, but we are so glad you didn't have to swim back. Powell River must be really nice, but we are pleased you did decide in the end that Comox was the place to be and you came back to us. Say girls, apparently the shopping area over in Powell River, what with a Hudson's Bay and some other interesting stores, is just a stone's throw from the ferry dock. Let's see, if we catch a morning ferry, we can shop for the afternoon, leaving the car on this side, then still get home in time for our husbands to have supper made for us at about 6:00. Sounds like fun shopping for a change, doesn't it?

So many of the familiar faces will be leaving us what with spring postings coming in. Marion Hopkins, who has been teaching dancing here will be missed by many mothers and children as she goes with her hubby to Ottawa. Kay Doucette and her husband,

leaving soon for 4 Wing were entertained recently by the Woods and Riggs, at a lovely cocktail party. Everyone is sorry to have to say good-byes, but this was a most pleasant way to do so. What are you all doing to keep trim and get in swim-suit shape these days Demonettes? Noticed Judy Loggie at the tennis court, and oh yes, Mary Jacobsen pulled a real fancy trick to get back into swim-suit shape—she had twin boys. Nice work Mary, of course Jake must have helped a bit—probably got poisoned by a T.W. A big hello from all the Demonettes to Dean and Derek Jacobsen.

Say — new cars are really nice aren't they Darlene—but will Brian let you have it? Hope your trip to Winnipeg was enjoyable, but it sure is a lot greener here at this time of year, n'est ce pas?

Garry was relieved to return from San Diego and find that Jo Ann hadn't pulled any more financial wizardtricks. The stock market is a real fast way to go broke isn't it?

Evelyn Taggart was seen with a big smile from ear to ear last week-end, buying lots of nice groceries—were you entertaining a weekend guest Evelyn?

Probably lots more news—probably, but no-one has told me about it so I can't tell you. Don't hesitate to call 338-8116 if there is anything you'd like note made of in Demonette Doings—we'll try to keep this column going if they'll let us have space. Bye then till next issue of Totem Times.

Sub-Committee Report Progress in Centennial Celebration Plans

Substantial progress in planning projects and events for the 1966-67 Centennial Celebrations in British Columbia was reported by each of 23 Provincial sub-committees on April 7 when the Canadian Confederation Centennial Committee of British Columbia held its second general meeting at the Parliament Buildings in Victoria.

The meeting, attended by Lieutenant-Governor George R. Pearkes and former Lieutenant-Governor Frank Ross, was called by General Chairman L. J. Wallace to review

the committee activities since the group last met in October.

Celebration and project planning. Mr. Wallace said after the meeting, is moving ahead rapidly on all fronts. It will soon be possible to unveil some of the major events that are being scheduled for the two-year programme.

The chairman referred specifically to projects being studied by the Indian Participation, Education, Sports, and the Communities Activities Sub-Committees.



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organ and the following children were in the choir: Ann Bellefeuille, Carol Regimbald, Cynthia Regimbald, Beverly Dobko, Joan Wetmore, Laura Balfour, Jane Dingman, Karla Shoemaker and Terry Shoemaker, Susan Bowman, Regina Crutchfield, Kathleen Bouchier, Joanne

and Sandra Lothian, Elizabeth Cando, Debbie Genuet, Sylvia Marjorie and Barbara Dennis. Karla Shoemaker performed the crowning ceremony. Jane Dingman carried the flowers and Laura Balfour carried the Crown. It was very impressive and nicely done.



A/V M MILLWARD

Air Vice-Marshal J. Bert Millard, 54, of Montreal and Ottawa, air officer commanding, Air Materiel Command, will proceed on retirement leave on August 1, Canadian Forces Headquarters announced today.

Air Vice Marshal Millward joined the RCAF as an aircrew trainee in 1941, and after completing pilot training was posted overseas in 1942 to join 426 Bomber Squadron, where he won the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Posted to 405 Pathfinder Squadron as a flight commander, he was subsequently awarded a bar to his DFC. He left the service in 1945, but rejoined the RCAF a year later after receiving a Master's degree from Bishop's University, Lennoxville, Que.

Following various appointments which included commandant of Canadian Service College Royal Roads, Victoria, and commanding officer of RCAF Station Trenton, Ont., Air Vice Marshal Millward attended the National Defence College in 1954. In 1955 he was appointed chief staff officer and assistant air attaché at the Canadian Joint Staff, Washington, D.C. He held that post until 1957, when he assumed duties as RCAF member of the directing staff of the National Defence College.



A/C AUSTIN

Air Commodore George S. (Sandy) Austin, 48, who retired from the RCAF last July, has been re-appointed to the service and will be employed initially on special projects in the office of the Minister of National Defence.

Before his retirement, Air Commodore Austin was chief of plans and intelligence at Air Force Headquarters. A science graduate from McGill University, Air Commodore Austin enlisted in the RCAF in 1938. On leaving the service last summer, he was employed in an executive capacity with Canadair Ltd., near Montreal. He has resigned his position with Canadair to rejoin the integrated service.

Confederation train getting up steam

The Confederation train, a mobile historic exhibit, will travel through British Columbia from January 9 to February 22, 1967.

Between its arrival from Ottawa and its departure from Prince George for Jasper, the train will call at 11 British Columbia communities, making stops ranging from one to seven days.

The British Columbia tour starts in Victoria, where the In September 1962 Air Vice Marshal Millward was named Air Officer Commanding, Air Materiel Command.



W/L BLISS

Metz, France—Wing Commander Bill Bliss, officer commanding Canada's 422 squadron based at 4 Wing, Germany, has been appointed to lead the fourth Allied Tactical Air Forces multinational team in this year's weapons meet.

The tactical weapons meet pits the two component air forces of central Europe against each other in competitive low-level strike, strafing, rocket and skip-bombing missions. It will take place at Chaumont, 140 miles southeast of Paris, June 11-25.

Flying on the 4ATAF team will be F105 of the USAF, F100s of the French Air Force, F104s of the German Air Force, and CF104 Starfighters of the RCAF Air Div.

Competing pilots will not be chosen until shortly before the meet takes place. This is to prevent special training of participants since the meet is designed to test the day-to-day degree of operational capability of NATO air forces in their assigned strike and attack roles.

Canadian pilots and ground crews of the air division helped 4th ATAF win the Broadhurst Trophy in last year's meet.

W/C Bliss is the son of the late Col. R. H. (Hap) Bliss of Port Arthur, Ont., where his mother, Mrs. Anna Bliss, still lives at 153 Rupert St.

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