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Hockey Finals Approaching

Thrills, Spills Delight spectators at Glacier Gardens



HE SHOOTS, HE SCORES!



407 SETS UP GOAL IN THEIR
9-6 VICTORY OVER 121



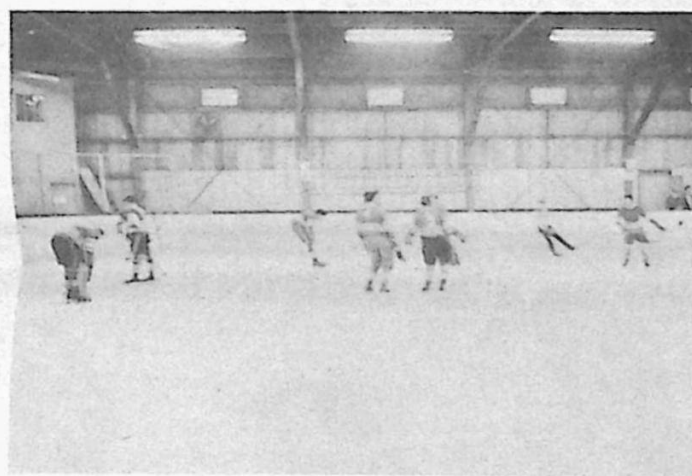
WATCH OUT FOR THE REFEREE FELLOWS!

The hard-fought battle between the best four teams of the Inter-Section Hockey League is approaching its climax. This week saw games between 121 versus 407 Air and Headquarters versus Courtenay. The last, hard-fought battle between the HQ-Courtenay squads will take place tomorrow night, both teams each having won one of the best of three semi-finals. The winners of the semi-finals go on to do battle with each other in a best-of-five series commencing on 14 March, the 19th and the 21st, at eight p.m. If the other two games are necessary they will be played on 25th and 28th March.

The four top teams finished regular league play with only five points separating the first and fourth place finishers. This taut finish indicates the hustle and skill of the individual players, and NHL addicts would find the time spent watching the semis or finals of the ISHL far more illuminating than a mere Boston-New York hassle.



Marty Fraser, 121 star, contemplates game strategy before team takes to the ice.



BRIEF REPRIEVE AS TEAMS
PREPARE FOR FACE-OFF



121 SWOOPS DOWN ON
HARD PRESSED 407 DEFENCE



AVID SPORTS FAN GIVES UNBIASED OPINION
TO SPORTS WRITER

Five airmen receive promotions



F/S FISHER

It was announced on 1 March 1966 that five airmen had received promotions. Those promoted are: Flight Sergeant Wilfred G. Fisher, Sergeant Morris B. Leuszler, Corporal Andrew N. Kazimer, Corporal James H. Bridges, Corporal Colin J. Chel-

low. Flight Sergeant Fisher was born and educated at Howard, Sask. He joined the RCAF in March 1948 and has since served in Canada from Goose Bay in Labrador to Whitehorse in the Yukon. He arrived at Comox in March 1961.

Sergeant Leuszler is from New Hamburg, Ont. He joined the RCAF in Oct., 1943 and again in May 1951 following nearly five years in "Civvy Street." He came to Comox in July 1962. Corporal Kazimer is from the



SGT. LEUSZLER

town of Vernon, B.C. He enlisted in the Canadian Army in 1951 and in the RCAF in 1954. Since joining the RCAF he has been a fire fighter and has served from coast to coast.

Corporal James Bridges is from "down-under." He was born in Penrith, New South Wales, Australia and was educated in Bondi, NSW. He arrived in Canada in 1956 and joined the PPCLI and finally enlisted in the RCAF in 1960 in Calgary. No photo was available at publication deadline.

Corporal Chelley is the unmarried member of the group of those promoted. He is from Sturgeon Falls, Ont., and joined the RCAF in Winnipeg in 1960. He has served from coast to coast in Canada as a Food Service Assistant.



CPL. KAZIMER



CPL. CHELLEY

Two get service awards



TWO PERSONNEL of RCAF Station Comox last week were presented with service awards by G/C R. S. Turnbull, commanding officer of the base. The top photograph shows the Group Captain presenting the first clasp to the Canadian Forces Decoration to FS George E. Clarke. This clasp is awarded in recognition of 22 years service. In the bottom photograph is LAS Joseph C. Roy who received the Canadian Forces Decoration signifying 12 years meritorious service.

Fashion Show!!

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AT FEB. 2 COMMANDERS' CONFERENCE — USAF Brig. Gen. John A. Rouse, Seattle NORAD (North American Air Defence) sector commander, confers with RCAF Station Comox representatives (left), W/C WH Vincent, 409 Fighter Sqdn. commander, and G/C RS Turnbull, station commander. Right is G/C DJ Williams, RCAF, Sector deputy commander. The one day session at McChord AFB, Washington, was attended by some 30 conferees representing all Canadian and US fighter interceptor, radar, and missile units located throughout the Sector area covering B.C., Western Alberta, Washington and Northern Oregon.

— Official Norad Photo

Soldier receives Queen's Commendation

A gallant effort to save the life of an injured soldier has won the Queen's commendation for brave conduct for Lieutenant G. J. K. Reynolds, 22, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry of Kimberley, B.C.

Lt. Reynolds was participating last September in a night exercise with armoured personnel carriers in the Soltau training

area of West Germany. At one point, the vehicles were halted on a main highway so the soldiers could remove mud the APC's had tracked onto the road which constituted a hazard to traffic. While this was being done, a civilian car, travelling at high speed, struck Private D. P. Hanchard.

Seeing another car approach-

ing, Lt. Reynolds rushed to the centre of the highway and attempted to drag the injured man to safety. Realizing he could not remove him in time, he placed himself between the soldier and the oncoming car and signalled the driver to halt. The driver did not do so and both Lt. Reynolds and Pt. Hanchard were struck by the car.

Spring Dance big success



Army to get 50 self-propelled howitzers

Fifty 155-mm self-propelled howitzers will be procured to equip two close-support artillery regiments of the Canadian Army as part of the plans to give greatly increased mobility and flexibility to the Canadian forces.

The 25-ton, tracked, amphibious, aluminum-armoured gun carries a crew of six, including the driver.

The howitzers, some of which are now in service with other NATO armies, will be manufactured at a U.S. government plant under contract.

Delivery of the self-propelled howitzers, in 1968, will complete the major re-equipment of the 4th Canadian Infantry Brigade Group as forecast in the five-year equipment program announced in December, 1964.

Besides the artillery regiment in Europe, the regiment stationed at Camp Gagetown, N.B. will also be equipped with the new gun. These units are now equipped with towed 105-mm and 155-mm howitzers, with ranges of seven miles and nine miles respectively. The harder-hitting self-propelled 155-mm howitzer has a range of 11 miles. It can travel at 20 mph across rough country and swim a stream at 4 mph.

Statement by Paul Hellyer Suggestions pay off

Approval has been given for the payment of re-engagement bonuses to non-commissioned officers and men in the Armed Forces. For a five-year re-engagement this will mean a bonus of \$1,000.

Effective February 1, 1966, all serving men and women of the Canadian Forces (Regular) will receive a re-engagement bonus of \$200 a year for each year for which they re-engage.

The re-engagement bonus applies whenever men re-engage. Thus, when a man now in his first engagement elects to sign for a second, he receives a bonus of \$200 for each year for which he re-engages. If the re-engagement period is five years, he will receive \$1,000 and this will be payable at the time of re-engagement.

In the interest of equity, all men and women of the Regular Forces now serving re-engagements will be paid the re-engagement bonus pro-rated according to the balance of their engagement. For example, a man who re-engaged Feb. 1, 1965, and still has four years to serve in his engagement will receive an \$800 bonus. For part-years the bonus will be pro-rated at one-twelfth of \$200 for each month of eligible service.

It is estimated that the cost of the re-engagement bonus will be largely offset by savings in training costs accruing from a reduction in the turnover in service manpower.

A further important benefit to the forces and to the nation

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(Answer to puzzle, page 18)

will be the increase in efficiency and effectiveness resulting from the retention in the services of a higher proportion of skilled, experienced men.

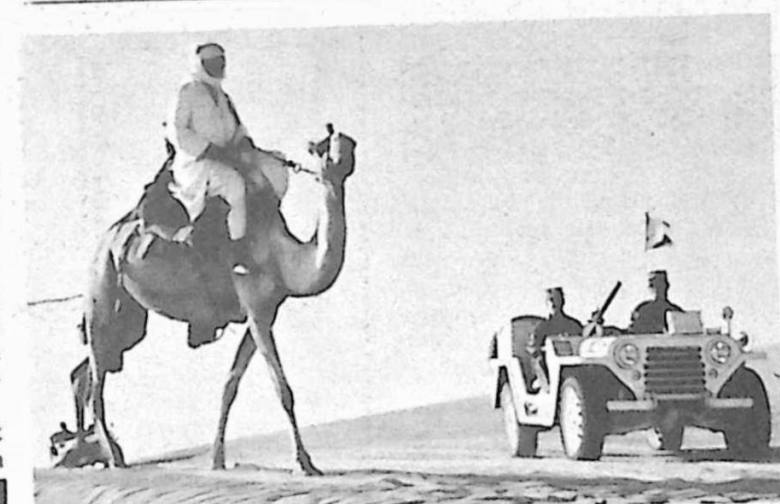
It is estimated that the re-engagement bonus will cost approximately \$27,600,000 in the present fiscal year and will cost approximately \$19,400,000 in 1966-67.

The normal cyclical pay review for all members of the Forces will take place October 1, 1966, and in accordance with the recently adopted policy in the public service, interim increases will be granted on that date pending a decision on the final increases.

Canucks help in Tanzania

Five officers and 13 airmen of the RCAF have arrived in Tanzania to help that country set up a military air transport component. By late spring there will be 50 Canadian airmen in Tanzania as well as the 30 Canadian soldiers who arrived there last

year. The Canadian Army officers and men are training Tanzanian ground forces under a military assistance agreement between Canada and Tanzania and are assisting with the organization of a military academy.



DESERT FAREWELL — It was "goodbye" to the sands of Egypt this month for the men of "A" Squadron, 8th Canadian Hussars (Princess Louise's) after serving for 368 days as part of the Canadian contingent in the United Nations Emergency Force. During their year abroad they made daily patrols along 25 miles of the Israel-Egypt border stopping wandering Bedouins and their camels from crossing the frontier or straying into lethal mine fields. Here one of the last patrols casts a farewell glance at another "ship of the desert."

(Canadian Forces Photo)

The Defence Department will save about \$1,000,000 a year as a result of ideas developed by six members of the department as part of their daily responsibilities.

Four members of the RCAF, an RCN officer, and a civil servant have been awarded merit certificates and a total of \$2,400 in cash. They are the first group in the department to receive this new recognition which compliments the familiar suggestion awards.

Lt.-Cdr. H. E. T. Lawrence and J. D. Milne, while serving at Canadian Forces Headquarters, Ottawa, developed a method of converting surplus quantities of 3 and 4-inch high explosive cartridges to practice ammunition for use by shore training establishments.

The conversion method is effecting an estimated saving of \$800,000 annually.

Lt.-Cdr. Lawrence, now retired and lecturing in English at the University of Ottawa, and Mr. Milne, now employed at HMC Dockyard in Esquimalt, B.C., were awarded \$500 each.

Flt.-Lt. L. C. Pingel, of Montreal, with 1 Air Division RCAF in Europe, while serving at Materiel Command, Ottawa, collaborated with Flight-Sergeants R. H. Sexton of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., A. S. Clowater of McNamara, N.B., in the design and installation of devices for turbo-engines which resulted in savings of some \$175,000. They were awarded \$300 each.

Warrant Officer (first class) G. C. Conrad, of Winnipeg, serving with 1 Air Division, proposed a modification to a turbine engine that extends its life and saves some \$166,000. He has been awarded \$500.

The purpose of the merit award program is to provide financial recognition for performance and contribution of an exceptional character to the increased efficiency of the Canadian Forces. It recognizes achievements of military and civilian personnel

who do not qualify for an award under any other program and is part of the overall incentive award plan of the public service.

Hercs Heave

Since Operation Nimble went into effect Jan. 4, four RCAF Hercules C-130 transport aircraft have been ferrying about 15,000 gallons of oil per day from Leopoldville in the Congo to Lusaka, Zambia. The operation was mounted swiftly at the end of the year when land-locked Zambia was cut off from its normal oil supplies by neighboring Rhodesia in retaliation for sanctions imposed on her by many countries of the world. About 150 RCAF personnel are taking part in the emergency airlift organized by the United Kingdom, the United States and Canada.

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New Rumours

Parliament is having its problems these days, what with spies and beautiful girls and cabinet ministers, but these are problems of national concern and not within the purview of the Totem Times. What has been the topic of concern among the aircrew and other personnel of the station has been the rumours flying thick and fast that pilots are to be given a raise in danger money which will help them to face their service career with more financial confidence than they have done hitherto. One of the rumours, purporting facts, allows that a senior aircraft captain will now earn as much as half as much as his civilian counterpart.

Whether these rumours are true or not only time will tell. From the point of the bi-monthly, if the raise does go through we probably won't scoop DRO's anyway, so we're forced to analyse the rumours, add conjecture, and hope that we work out something close to what will be the facts of the matter.

The best story has it that the Radio Navigators won't be getting a raise. To the pilots this is the simple corroboration of their professional primacy. They have, therefore, been tenderly solicitous and at least academically concerned with the RN's mental equilibrium. Some of the pilots have printed funny signs restricting RN's to the back of busses, aircraft, and vessels. Some of them have rashly promised to buy a pitcher of beer, to a maximum of \$1.00, for each RN on the day the raise is announced.

The RN's have threatened massive retaliation. There is a rumour to the effect that 100 per cent of RN/AF's have asked for a week off next month to undergo pilot's training. The RO's of 407 have posted in-flight meal prices on their Neptunes' bulkheads and propose to charge each pilot 25c for coffee, 50c if the pilots wish the coffee in cups. 121 RN's feel that 25 hours a quarter is often enough to fly, but state that this does not apply to searches for aircraft in which a navigator or radio officer was known to have been in at the time of its loss.

The Senior Accounts Officer has kept his staff incomunicado, and yet another rumour has it that the SAO was seen elaborately disguising a loaf of bread and a wedge of jack-cheese as an adding machine so that he wouldn't have to take his meals in the hectic atmosphere of the Officers' Mess.

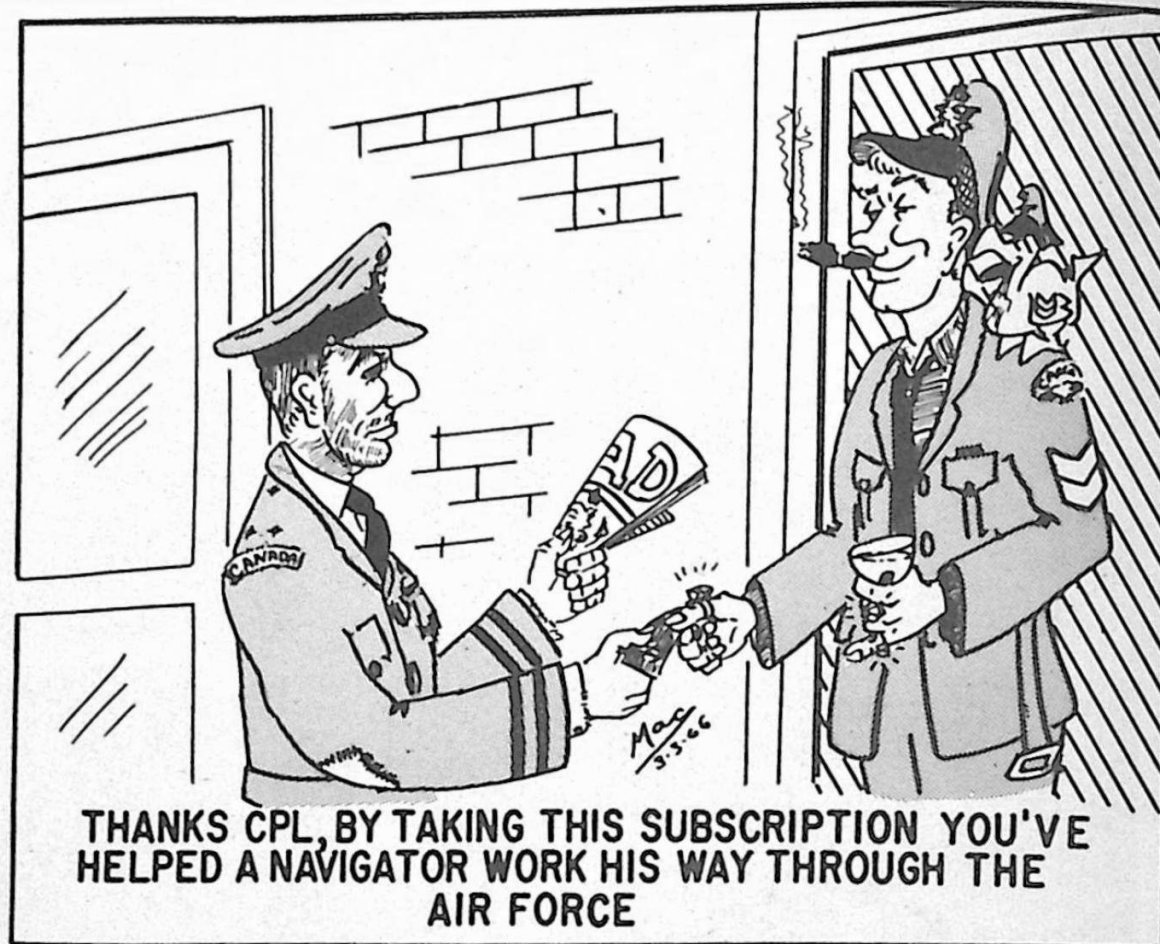
More noticeable has been the line crews' attitude. They have taken to placing only one ladder at the foot of a Voodoo, centred exactly half way between the pilot's and nav's cockpits. Their reason for this move was that they felt they should have some opinion on the subject of aircrew raises but they didn't wish to commit themselves to either side of the argument. They have also recently complained about damage to all stations aircraft about the pilots' cockpits; damage they say which has been caused by petulant RN's refusing to bridle their tempers. SE Techs add that several parachutes belonging to pilots have been found stuffed with master navigator certificates and nothing else. Technicians report that there isn't a serviceable auto-pilot on the unit.

Even in the field of administration the rumours have added complexity. ASAP, which used to mean As Soon As Possible, now means Anti-Senior Aircrew Pilot; when the PADO minuted a message to one squadron asking for a nominee for Imperial War College, the adjutant, a navigator, took the minute seriously — "Suggest nominee, ASAP" — and disqualified all the pilots. He awarded the plum to a recently-reduced Pilot Officer Navigator who had failed his Junior Officer qualifying examinations 17 consecutive times.

We don't have all the facts of the rumours here at the Totem Times. We were, for instance, unable to ascertain whether or not the pay boost applied to sky-pilots. Or whether it was true that the army was increasing the pay of infantrymen but not that of the armoured corps. We don't even know if it is true that the RCN's navigators had been locked off their ships for going out in sympathy with their aircrew counterparts.

We do know this much: This article is complete conjecture. It is at least 50 per cent myth.

We hope that's also true of the Pay-For-Pilots-Only story.



Can't we play anything

We learned in the last issue of the Totem Times that the finest golfers on this station are

not red blooded native born Canadians. This statement of fact comes from a group called Detachment 5, who oddly enough believe that they are the finest bunch of divot diggers in the area.

In our very own journal, we further learn that Detachment 5 is willing to prove contention to this championship. They have offered to do so any time, any course, no sneezing on the tee.

Needless to say, no one has disputed this claim to supremacy. Master Sergeant Walt Turner and his cohorts retain the golf championship of RCAF Station Comox because they had the initiative to claim it first.

We used to be champs in another game played with crooked sticks, hockey. We no longer own that game. Ave the golfers of Station Comox going to give up the ownership of the links by default too?

Letter to the Editors

Dear Sirs:
Some time ago you stated that you purposely mis-represented things and stuff in your paper in an attempt to get reader's reactions.

Well, I suppose it's time I reacted.

My name is Kellow. Spelled K E L L O W.

A short time ago I was fortunate to win the Sgt's Mess Singles Cribbage Tournament. I shall leave it to you to ascertain the spelling of my name on that occasion. I assure you it is spelled KELLOW.

In your issue of 24 Feb. you have stated that Sgt FILLLOW of No. 1 Supply Group won a Bingo. I have been reassured by S/L Fleming that the Supply Section has never had and does not at present have a Sgt Filllow on their strength. Therefore, in as much as I (Sgt KELLOW) won a bingo in February I assume you must have meant Sgt Kellow and not Filllow.

There is a saying, and I quote (liberally) "I don't much care what you say about me, but please spell my name correctly," unquote.

I thank you for your consideration of this matter in the future (if the need ever arises).

—Yours sincerely,
(EH Kellow) Sgt.

P.S. Needless to say, I assume you have misspelled my name again somewhere in the foregoing.

Dear Cpl Hello:

Well, it sure was neat to see that someone took us at our word and rit us a ladder. We have a very experienced staff, several of our boys seeing at least one movie a nite, but you have tetchod on a sore point with us. We don't have the best preefrooding in the hole world. And we sometimes make tSporographical errors, too.

Do not, however, let this stoep you from winning prizes. If things get too bad we will lay in sum hired help.

—The Editors.

Social Notes

— NOTICE —

Social notes from ladies' clubs on the station, or engagement, marriage and birth announcements of interest to Station Comox personnel may be sent to Social Editor, Totem Times, RCAF Station Comox, or by calling 334-3544.

A chance to see what the service offers young people

At 1900 hrs, 17 March, Captain Gibbons from the Canadian Forces Recruiting Centre in Victoria will give a briefing on career opportunities in the services. He will deal primarily with the Regular Officers Training Plan (ROTP), the Aircrew Short Service Commission Plan, the Officer Candidate Programme, the Navy's Short Service Commission Plan, the Dental Subsidization Plan, the Medical Subsidization Plan, the Three Apprentice Training Plans, the University Reserve Training Plan (URTP), the Airman-Officers Training Plan, and a host of other subjects. Airmen are welcome to attend the briefing and pose questions to the briefing officer regarding current policies, but the prime aim of the lecture and discussion period will be to inform teenagers and their parents of the many educational and training programmes offered by the integrated services. Captain Gibbons will show a short film and coffee will be served.

If you are a teenager or the parent of a teenager and you're curious to find out what the conditions of service are for ROTP or any of the other plans, this is your chance to find out. How can a teenager become a doctor? Or a pilot? If you're thinking of quitting school this year, come hell or high water or even Dad, why not pick up a trade by serving a service apprenticeship? How does an airman qualify for university subsidization?

The briefing is at 1900 hrs, 17 March in the SGO's lecture room in the Recreation Centre. And it's just possible that the Service has a trade, a profession, and at least a career for YOU.

Why a low man on the totem pole

Integration has been moving relentlessly onward since its inception. It has required quite a few changes and adjustments, many of which though minor in nature, have represented entirely new methods of operation. An instance is the general use of a Zulu date/time reference for all messages. Formerly this was Navy practice only.

One change which could be anticipated in an integrated force has never even been mentioned. The writer refers to the subject of equal status for the Army, Air Force, and Navy components. The Navy, thanks to Nelson, still cherishes the time-honoured position, apparently unchallenged, of "Senior Service."

Considering the origin of Canada's naval forces, apart from any connection with the British navy, this has always been a puzzler. Prior to World War I, Canada had no navy, and indeed, the cradle of the infant nation long looked askance at the presence of naval forces. A case

in point is that warships were banned from the Great Lakes by mutual agreement after the war of 1812.

To get back to 1966, how can the Navy or any other member of the three partners in integration receive special status as "Senior" to the other two? Which is the most important leg of a three-legged stool?

In recognition of the mutual importance of all three services, it would be a good thing to establish a basis of equality. This could only be achieved by a public announcement, and by making certain that the position of "top-dog" at ceremonies etc. was shared in turn.

Each service has had to sacrifice something of its cherished prerogatives in the broad policy of integration. For the betterment of inter-service relationships, let's have an end to the fiction of a "Senior" service.

—Ralph M. Scott,
Warrant Officer 2, RCAF.



FINAL TOUCHES to outside of one of two 55-foot units of British Columbia Centennial Caravan are applied as LJ Wallace, general chairman of the Canadian Confederation Centennial Committee of British Columbia (centre) examines a sketch of outside design. The Caravan, a mobile "time machine", will be unveiled in Victoria, March 11 before visiting about 200 communities in the province. The caravan is a project of the Provincial Centennial Committee, and was designed and constructed by Patey-Eliason Production Ltd., Vancouver, art director EF Stidder. The two big truck-trailer units graphically trace the growth of British Columbia, from 1778 through 1966, with an imaginative look into the future. Admission to the caravan is free.

—Don LeBlanc Photo

AFP Notes

by MAYBE

Having been on annual leave for the past two weeks, finishing up the remainder of leave we were reluctant to take during those balmy summer days, we have had to rely on our staff reporters for information.

Transfers do seem to be very much in evidence these days and the latest to get the worse, all for overseas, are LACs Paul McAlon, Garnet McKeen, James McGee, Bill McLennan (wonder if somebody ran a finger over the Mc's file), and Rodger Theberge. These chaps have been with us a long time and we regret seeing them making ready to leave, but we can say with assurance that the overseas tour will be something that you will always remember. Departing also is Cpl Ralph Purcell. He is heading for Stn. Puntzi Mtn (at last we have a willing volunteer for the transfer) and we wish him all the very best of luck. Also getting into the transfer news, finally, is LAC (Dumb) Dumbresky. I am told he transferred from BB 26B to BB 26A nice going Dumbie.

A small gathering was held at the Social Centre on Friday, 4 March, in honor of Cpl Jack Enston and LAC Ron Hughes who are departing on transfer in the next day or so. Sorry to see you go chaps but all good things must come to an end sooner or later.

We are pleased to report that the SSecO and Cpl Ziglick arrived back from Stn Holberg in good shape, although they were unfortunate with their fishing during their relaxing hours.

We will bid you adieu for this issue and feed more worms to the fishes. Now that we are staying at Comox for a while longer, Sgt Ernie Cameron is going to give it another whirl and try to show yours truly how to catch some fish.

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The Roundhouse

On Feb. 16th last, our roundhouse was favored with a visit by two members of The Car Knockers Club of Courtenay. They were Mr. George Evans of The House of Color, and Mr. Archie Millar of the B.C. Telephone Company.

George Evans treated the Comox Union R.R. club members to a clinic on building "turnouts," and Archie Millar was able to figure out what was wrong with one of our power-packs.

Both gentlemen enjoyed themselves, and promised to visit our club again soon. The Car Knockers Club of Courtenay, is a similar group to ours, and consists of businessmen and citizens of the Courtenay area, who are Model-Rail enthusiasts. At the present time, they are sporting a member who was an original member of the Comox Union Railroad Club . . . and who in fact, founded this very club, back in 1958. His name is WO2 Bill Allsopp, of 407 Squadron.

For the last couple of days, you readers may have noticed a certain poster, picturing a railroad-type GREEN LIGHT. . . and nothing more. This Green Light is our welcome-mat, extending an invitation to all who come to our meetings, and is suspended over the club-room door.

If you will look today, in place of the Green Light Poster, you will notice a change has taken place. All the information necessary to help you find your way to our club-room, and a fun time . . . is now printed there, for your benefit.

Even if you are not a Model-Rail enthusiast, but would like to visit or ask questions pertaining to Model Railroading . . . you are always most welcome. We have a new member at present, who comes to the club just to be able to work in the electrical part of the layout, because he is so intrigued with the setup.

The layout is progressing very well, and it should not be too long before we are able to hold a full-operation night.

In the last article, we covered a little on the president, and his interests; so this time around I think we should say a few words about our vice-pres., as he will be taking over the reins of the club, around the 20th of April. Our most able pres., Pete Walch is transferred to Downsview, Ontario. All of the present membership will be sincerely sorry to see him leave, but we wish him — continued good modelling.

The vice-pres. is a photographer in the Stn. Photo Section . . . LAC Eric Wilton, and when he isn't tied up with a camera somewhere . . . or in the dark-room, you will probably find him working, and relaxing, with model-railroading at the club, or very much involved with his hobby at home. Before pres. Pete Walch leaves for the east, LAC Wilton plans to give the club members a clinic on scenery, showing how several types of mosses which grow abundantly on the Island, are preserved and used to reproduce scenery of a close similarity to the real thing.

Until our next installment of the Roundhouse, remember . . . even if your wife thinks you spend a little too much time in your attic, or basement room . . . we Model-Rails understand, so just have a little patience — and Good Modelling!

A poem apparently scratched on the walls of an old sentry box in Gibraltar:

"God and the soldier all men adore,
In time of danger and then no more,
For when the danger is past
And all things forgotten,
God is forgotten and the old soldier slighted."



STATION RIFLE CLUB IN SHOOT — The Rifle Club held a shoot with a six Cadet team from Royal Roads recently and beat the Cadets, best two out of three relays. The Cadets however, won a moral victory with their one point edge in the total score. Royal Roads 1710, Comox 1709. F/O D Frazer, captain of the home team, said that winner of the meet was decided only after the last relay, Comox winning that by only one point. Each shooter had three targets for scoring in the 22 calibre competition. It is not known whether a return match will be made to Royal Roads before the start of big bore shooting, coming up soon.

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Hall of Flame C.W.L.

Having missed the last two deadlines of the Totem Times, (we were quite busy), we decided not to miss this issue, so here is some straight talk from the fire boys. The other day we were discussing the general hazards found in PMQ's, the most dangerous one as far as fire spread is concerned was "FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS."

Most of us know what FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS are and what they can do, but we came to the conclusion that some of you may not know the dangers that are involved with these liquids. As you probably know flammable liquids come in a wide variety — to name a few, GASOLINE, VARSOL, PAINT THINNERS, and LAQUERS. They all have one common trait: they all produce fumes.

These are the dangerous products of FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS and it is these fumes that cause the explosions. These fumes are quite readily ignited by heat or a spark from a light switch. Do you know that a gallon of gasoline has the explosive potential of 85 lbs. of dynamite?

The average household in the PMQ's has at least this amount of destructive power stored in their homes for use with the power mower or outboard motor.

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The regular monthly meeting of Our Lady of the Airways Council was held in the Parish Hall on March 1st. Mrs. V. Belletuile presided over the business meeting. Final plans for the forthcoming tea and bazaar were discussed.

The members were pleased to welcome Sister Edna of St. Joseph's Hospital to be the guest speaker. Her spiritual talk was enjoyed by all the ladies and the evening ended with Sister Edna playing her guitar and leading all present in a songfest.

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Demon Doins

The social stag of the season for 407 will be held this coming Friday night in the Officers' Mess. The squadron is hosting 40 VP-2 Officers from Whidbey Naval Air Station to a dining-in night. The evening's events will consist of the before dinner primer session at the cocktail bar, followed by a hearty feast of the finest cuisine. Des Mayne and his henchmen will be providing the scheduled entertainment but I'm sure he'll receive lots of help from the crowd. It sounds like a real blast and a good chance to return the hospitality to our friends from the south.

It has recently been learned, not through regular channels but from the newspaper articles, that the RCAF has won the annual Fincaiste bombing award. The annual competition is open to all Commonwealth countries with the prize being awarded to the country that achieves the highest marks in proficiency. Well the RCAF took the honors this year, and F/L Mayne and

crew 6 entered for 407 Sqn., completing three successful runs in the shortest time, only 3 minutes and 20 seconds. So congratulations to Crew 6 and their sterling effort. As W/C Smale put it, "The fastest gun in the West."

Sports seems to be the topic of discussion these days around the squadron. The 407A hockey team managed, through stiff league play, to get third place and a berth in the finals against 121. 121 topped 407 in the first game but 407 bounced back to take the second game. The third and final game played last Tuesday ended up with 407 winning over 121 . . . to advance into the finals against either Courtenay or HQ.

Their final game will be played this Saturday at Glacier Gardens. The 407 basketball team is presently tied for top spot with Detachment 5 USAF in the four team inter-section league. 407 has two games remaining in league play and must win both to take first place. The competition is keen and spectators are always welcome.

Congratulations to F/O Griffiths and F/O Boivin in their bridge tournament at Parksville over last weekend. Evidently all the hands dealt at the duplicate tournament were computer devised as were the results. Tom and Gill came third only to the B.C. champions and managed to pick up 4 Master Points apiece.

F/L Chuck Rodgman has departed to Centralia Ont. for a student instructors' course but will be returning briefly before taking up his posting there. Chuck has been with the squadron for just under four years and has been captain of Crew 5. F/O Kruger has strayed from the fold for three weeks TD at Marpac in Victoria. Is it true that you're lonesome down there Gord?

Nighthawk's Nest

Hi-ho Marines! Here is your security tip for the month. "If you find fingerprints on or about your person, report it to the Service Police. That is a crime-stopper."

Three weeks ago, or was it four weeks ago? . . . four beer-calls ago I was approached by a spectacled pseudo-intellectual who crawled on his hands and knees the entire length of the bar in an effort to converse with me. His face and hands were covered with black printer's ink and by the time he reached my corner he had liberally smeared everyone he passed. He introduced himself like this:

Him: You don't know me but I'm the editor of the Totem Times.

Reply: You're kidding? I thought you were hired to come here and clean out the fireplace.

Him: I'm looking for someone to write the Nighthawk's Nest.

Reply: Good luck!

Him: My readers would be interested in hearing your point of view.

Reply: Are you serious? You have got readers?

Him: I understand you're striving for a career as a dramatic actor and novelist.

Reply: Actually I'm striving to poke this swizzle stick into your stomach and start mixing you like a Martini. However,

you're partially correct. I'd like to be another Fabian.

Him: Okay, I'll ask you something simple like . . .

Reply: That's exactly right, something simple, like that silly column of yours that nobody reads, you frustrated Louella Parsons, you.

Him: I'll pay you five hundred a week.

Reply: It's a deal. Now take your broom and beat it.

It was encouraging to see everyone cancel their leave when they heard the Tac Eval Team was coming. The strategy is to have enough people here to fill up all the chairs. When the Tac Eval people get tired of standing up, maybe they'll leave.

The Wing Commanders' recently opened night club is a total success. The "B" Flight jug band featuring hot-lips Morwick on the kazoo is packing them in.

Mel Warren's father is now a grandfather. Congratulations sir! Walter Hartzell has informed his new daughter that she will fly in the slot position. The Mad Leader strikes again!

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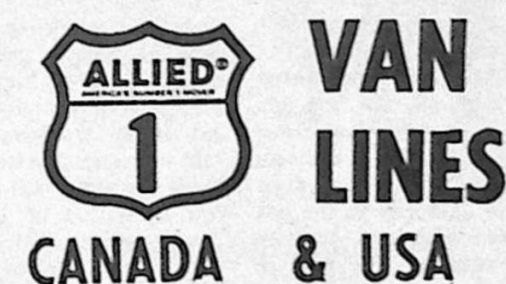


B.C. on stamps

The above photo shows some of the Canadian postage stamps issued with British Columbia topics. Top left is a 1935 Victoria Parliament issue; centre left 1964 Dogwood and B.C. Coat of Arms; bottom left 1958 B.C. Centennial, miners panning gold; centre block 1952 B.C. Indian house and Totem Pole; top right 1938 Vancouver harbour; centre 1962 Victoria Centenary; bottom 1946 Lumber Industry.

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121 ON TAP

Last Sunday the stand-by crew, Captain Al Seward; Pilot, Barry Lockerby; Nav., Rob Reid; Ro., Jake Crawford, Ft Tech., Bob Deibert, were called out on a search for the lost occupants of a beached sailboat. An all day search in the Port Hardy area ended with negative results. The week before, 121 was called into assist 111 Ku Winnipeg in the Whitehorse area. This was Rob Ross's last search with the unit before he takes up schooling full time. This time however, the occupants of a light aircraft turned up safely on a frozen lake.

Activities at 121 have been running at top speed with the departure of old friends and the arrival of new replacements. The nav. section seems to be getting the arrivals though, with Terry Montgomery checking in this week. There is going to be three Monty's in the unit now! Ron Watson and Rick Cartwright, the other two new nav's have arrived and departed in the space of a week for OTU training at Trenton.

So many have been coming and going lately that it has been hard to keep track of them all. But the "gang" all turned out two Sundays ago at the mess for a farewell party for Bill Kirkland, Robin Ross, and Bert Bertrand. Apparently it turned into a real swinger—as usual.

Boat school has almost finished with its latest course. In fact, the graduation parties have already started. There was a trip

Detachment 5 (USAF) News

By MSGT WALTER TURNER
Have you ever noticed the effect television commercials have on your children? Really, it's astounding how the younger generation picks up these commercial messages.

I was driving to work one morning and as I approached an intersection I noticed the familiar STOP sign, only something new had been added. The sign read STOP and underneath the word stop was BAD BRETH. I had to chuckle as I watched two youngsters walking away from the sign with an angelic look in their eyes . . . I wouldn't have suspected them had it not been for the three foot step ladder that they were carrying between them. From the way they spelled "BRETH" I got the impression that perhaps they paid more

up to Prince Rupert last week with MacWillard, Marty, and Bill, however, it turned out to be a quiet RON-for-a-change!

121's hockey team put up a terrific fight to 407 this week before finally succumbing in the final moments! (Biased reporting!) A special word of praise goes to Lorne Pettit who replaced the regular goalie at the last minute—well done!

Anyone wanting the latest rumours should come down to the canteen at 0930 for coffee and someone will obligingly make one up. Al lost three jugs of spring water on when the proposed increase for pilots would be announced. Here's hoping that it was to the Nav's and R.O.'s

attention to their TV's than to their spelling sessions in school. I can't help but wonder what a character like Tom Sawyer or Huck Finn would be doing in this day and age, but I suspect that they would put their alert little minds to work at something similar to what I witnessed.

While I'm on the subject of signs, I recall another amusing incident that took place a few years ago. I had my family out for an afternoon drive and as we proceeded down one of California's freeways, my oldest daughter Pam all of a sudden said "Dad, was I born in the hospital?" I told her yes, but that we were lucky to get her mother there on time or she would have been born in a taxi-cab. She immediately retorted, "Boy you were lucky, you could have got a \$150 fine, if I was born in the cab." Not grasping her message, I asked her what she meant. She told me she had just noticed a sign on the road that said "NO LITTERING ON THE HIGHWAY — \$150 FINE." How's that for a 10 year old mind? And so help me it's the living truth.

A new sign will appear very shortly on our Commander's desk. Major Ralph L. Crutchfield was notified of his promotion to Lieutenant Colonel effective later this month. All we of Detachment 5 can say is "It couldn't have happened to a more deserving person." Congratulations Major — oops, I mean

"Colonel."
Well folks, when you have to sit at your typewriter for a half hour and still can't come up with any news it's a sign your

well has gone dry. So with regards and solicitations, I'll "sign" off and look forward to being with you again in the next issue of Totem Times.

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Van's Verbality Rescue Centre relay

by WO1 JW VAN BUSKIRK
WITH A LITTLE BIT OF LUCK

I don't know where Rain-in-the-Face, the Sioux Indian chief who helped to annihilate General Custer at the Little Big Horn first came from but it's highly likely that he originally lived in B.C. as a boy to have gotten a name like that. I've never had so much rain-in-my-face in my life until I came out here. However, the other two chiefs who took part in the event, Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse could have picked up their titles at any Sergeant's Mess. Names like that are not hard to come by. I've often thought that it must have been a fearful position to be in, that June day at the Little Big Horn. A couple of hundred troopers being charged by an overwhelming hostile force. Just like payday at the mines. Or a bargain day at Macey's.

I had a little set-to-myself the other night. Came in at one of those odd hours when everything seems to be safe and quiet until you get your boots off, then all Hades breaks loose. Kind of wished for a moment that I had been with Custer at the Big Horn. Oh well, there are various kinds of scrimshames and you can't win them all.

For a while I used to watch that TV soap opera, "Life Can Be Beautiful," but I had to give it up. It had me sad all the time. John's wife in love with Harry — Harry lost his wife and his job both and then his mother-in-law came to keep house for him. I just couldn't take any more of that beautiful life. All that kept the characters going was hope! Suppose we can thank, or blame Pandora for that. Remember, she opened the box that she was forbidden to open and loosed all the evils attending man. Only Hope stayed inside. It's a good thing that it didn't abandon us as well. I certainly would be lost without it!

But we have to stay happy. It's just mind over matter. Once a lady said to Whistler that there were but two painters — himself and Valazquez. He replied, "Madam, why drag in Valazquez?" It's the same with Joyousness and Gloom. There are the both of them but why drag in Gloom, I don't mean that you should run around with a

perpetual smile on your face because your wife may suspect that you've been up to something. I know that it is pretty rough to be eating a bologna sandwich pretending that it's lobster because there is a very distinct difference in the taste. But it's better to be eating a bologna one than none!

Personally, I can't help but think of the nursery rhyme about the little girl with the curl in the middle of her forehead — when things were good they were very, very good but when they were bad they were horrid. Fortunately, there are not many of the latter type days.

A friend of mine is convinced that we don't have as much fun nowadays as we did in the old days. I don't know about him! I didn't see too much fun in walking to school along a gravel road in my bare feet. I wonder how far back in the old days he refers to. To me it was a lot more fun during the Spring and Fall when I had boots on. The poor old feet were pretty well played-out by that time but I've made some serious demands of them throughout the years (if feet could only talk) and they never let me down yet. How about that!

Chamber comments on inflation

The cost-of-living index reached a record 141.2 at the end of January, according to a recent report from the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, representing a rise of slightly more than 3% over what it was last year at the same time. In addition, the latest available data show that average industrial wages and salaries rose by some 6 per cent between November 1964 and November 1965.

While these statistics am While these statistics may not give immediate cause for alarm, they do indicate an economic condition that should be carefully watched, for they signal lurking inflation. In the years ahead, Canada's products will have to move into domestic and international markets under increasingly competitive conditions, if

With the installation of another teletype relay system in the Rescue Co-ordination Centre, Jericho, next week, Search and Rescue personnel will have an entirely new electronic element to work with in their Pacific Coast marine search activities. Once in place, the teletype relay will tie the RCC into a U.S. Coast Guard reporting system on merchant vessels of all nations operating in the offshore areas of B.C. This system is called AMVER or Automated Merchant Vessel Report System.

Under this system all merchant vessels making offshore voyages are encouraged to voluntarily send movement (sailing) reports and periodic position reports to the AMVER centre located in New York, via selected coastal or ocean station vessel radio stations.

This information is fed into a computer which generates and maintains dead reckoning positions for the vessels while they are within the plotting area. Search and Rescue capabilities of the vessels are also entered into the computer from available sources of information.

In the event of a marine distress off the B.C. Coast, Rescue Co-ordination officials will be able to ask the computer in New York for the predicted location of each vessel known to be in the distress area. With this information, Search and Rescue officials can pin-point the vessel closest to the scene and radio for assistance.

So, when in operation, AMVER will provide the RCAF Rescue Co-ordination Centre in Vancouver with another valuable tool in their efforts to locate and assist marine craft in difficulty off B.C. coastal waters.

we are to achieve sustained and balanced economic growth, Canada cannot afford, therefore, to have its competitive position eroded by ever-mounting costs. Nor can Canadians, particularly those with fixed incomes such as pensioners, afford ever-rising prices.

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121 on Detachment

by ART COLLINS

Those who look down on servicemen should consider the case of the 121 detachment now supporting the Army in Rivers. The recent news of the re-enlistment bonus gave an opportunity for these patriotic men to prove their desire for a vigorous economy.

The moment they heard about the bonus all eight of these civic minded fellows proceeded to blow it. In a small community like Rivers the sum of eight thousand dollars spent in a couple of days has a startling effect on business. Not only is there eight thousand more skins resting in the vaults, but every dollar spent stimulates the spending of ten more. Also the free flow of money in a community always attracts investment capital and thus stimulates the growth of new industry. Rivers, last week, was a Texas oil town without any of those ugly derricks in the background.

Bank messengers staggered under their unaccustomed loads. Cash registers overflowed with purple and olive and orange. Real estate men were haggard but happy, and the clerks in the stores had writers' cramp from making out sales slips. Even the waiters in the pubs felt the difference as beer sales picked up slightly.

During all this the mayor sat in his office like a cheerful Buddha receiving each additional evidence of the boom with a grin that grew ever wider.

There was never any doubt in the minds of the inhabitants, both civilian and military, as to what had started the boom.

The CJATC Commandant called in the Comox detachment and congratulated them on their contribution to public relations. "Boys," he said, "this is a wonderful thing you've done! The spirit you showed in selflessly throwing that money away has made an impact on this town that will never be forgotten."

The mayor was so over-

whelmed that he held a ceremony attended by all the local dignitaries in honor of the 121 detachment. The gratitude felt by the town of Rivers was impressively demonstrated when the mayor presented the keys to the town to the head of the 121 detachment, Sgt. Bob Senft. Sgt. Senft was seen to stumble as he stepped up to receive the award, probably because this emotion-charged moment had brought tears to his eyes and momentarily blinded him.

Incidentally, you may be interested to know that the economy-minded town fathers here in Rivers didn't actually give away keys. What you get is a slip of paper with the combination written on it.

After the ceremony the 121 boys took the little money they had left and squandered it, too.

Former army chief dies

Lt. Gen. J. C. Murchie once the highest ranking officer of the Canadian Army died last weekend in Ottawa. He was Chief of the General Staff and retired from active service at the end of the Second World War. General Murchie was buried in the Cataraqui Cemetery in Kingston.

PMQ Bingo Winners



MISS A. BARDESSONO who is employed in Stock Control receiving a cheque for \$275 after winning the Full Cord for the February PMQ Stay At Home Bingo. During this game 65 numbers were called before the grand prize was won.



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HARRISON—Born to LAC & Mrs. David Harrison, February 21, a girl.

HARTZELL—Born to F/O & Mrs. Walter Hartzell, February 22, a girl, Tracee Lise, 7 lbs. 15 oz.

WARREN—Born to F/O & Mrs. M. Warren, March 1, a boy.

Farewell Party

A farewell party was held for F/L & Mrs. Bill Kirkland at the home of F/O & Mrs. Neil Elder. The Kirklands are leaving on a transfer to the Recruiting Unit at St. John, N. B.

Bill was transferred to RCAF Station Comox when 121 Squadron moved from Sea Island. The Nav. Section of 121 will find it difficult to replace Bill.

We hope that Bill and Ann found their stay in Comox pleasant and that they will find success in their new endeavour.

CHALEY—Born to F/O & Mrs. Richard Chaley, twin girls, Sheryl, 5 lbs. 8 1/2 ozs., and Meryl, 5 lbs. 4 ozs. February 22.

KNIGHT—Born to F/L & Mrs. Gerald Knight, February 25, a girl.

Help available for tax forms

Assistance in preparing income tax papers will be available to local residents March 14 and 15.

Two representatives of the Income Tax Division will be in the lobby of Courtenay Post Office on both days. They will answer questions concerning the tax forms but will not prepare the form.

Coffee Party

An enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mrs. Arzelle Heier when, on February 24, a farewell coffee party was held in honour of Mrs. Carol Graham. Carol and her family are leaving March 8 for Winnipeg where her husband, Dan, will be attending an instructors' course.

Carol's friends present included Mrs. Audrey Wasylasko, Mrs. Rosemary Powell, Mrs. Mel Bowlin, Mrs. Marilyn McPhee, Mrs. Kay Wilson, Mrs. Val Scott, Mrs. Lorna Wood, Mrs. Kathy Thomas, Mrs. Liz Griffiths, Mrs. Jutta Gottman, Mrs. Barb Pierce.

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World Day of Prayer

A Service of Prayer and Communion presented jointly by Roman Catholic and Protestant Ladies was held on Friday, February 25th in the Protestant Chapel. World Theme was "YE ARE MY WITNESSES". Mrs. L. T. Barclay wife of F/L the Reverend L. T. Barclay was Leader for the Service. The Readers were Mrs. Swaze, Mrs. Mason, Mrs. Searle, Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Delgatti representing St. Peter's Anglican Church, Comox United Church and Mrs. Walch and Mrs. Scott representing the RCAF Protestant Chapel Ladies Guild. The Organist was Mrs. E. Hoult and the choir consisted of 19 ladies from the three churches participating. The Ushers were—Mrs. M. Browne and Mrs. Helena Neston. Baby-Sitters for the Nursery were Mrs. P. Rutledge and Mrs. B. Wright. Mrs. Keller and Mrs. Valentine brought the ladies from the Glacier View Home to the Service. Mrs. Bellefeuille President of Our Lady of the Airways branch of the CWL at RCAF Comox and Mrs. Herman, President of Comox Ladies Altar Society were also readers. In all there were 109 ladies from five churches—Comox United Church, St. Peter's Anglican Church, St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Chapel and the Protestant Chapel, RCAF Comox. Mrs. Don Goodwin sang a solo "Come let us to the Lord our God". Mrs. Barclay introduced Mrs. K. E. Edmondson, wife of Reverend K. E. Edmondson, Comox United Church as the speaker. Her theme—"Ye Are My Witnesses" Isaiah 43:10. "Am I truly a witness to Him in the World in which I live?" The main points of her speech were as follows: "The love of God is greater than His majesty"—"For God so loved the world He gave His only Son"—"The greatest love of all was when Jesus took our sins to the cross and died"—"Who of us would die for another?"—"The language of love is understood in all countries and in all languages."

"Each person has three self or beings"—"First self—the one our friends know—friendly, nice. The second self—the one our family knows—not quite so nice as when among our friends,

the third self—the one God knows. In summing up—it is nearing time for spring-cleaning our homes—this year let us "spring-clean" our lives so we can all be witnesses for God".

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"Look, boy, don't interrupt me. Now let's just waffle around under the quilt and get down to the silk sheets. D'you know how to write a staff paper?"

"No sir, never did know. Not much on communications, but I hear Appellau is pretty clever on those things."

"Nuts," He frowns at you. Menacingly. The top of his bald head gleams like Forbidden Plateau at sunset. "I want you to write the staff paper."

"Right sir," you smile in an erstwhile concession of defeat. "Glad to help out."

"Knew you'd see it that way, boy. Now look, Carstairs, those personnel people at Command want recommendations and conclusions on whether or not we should permit absinthe to be sold in the Airmen's Wet instead of Pernod. Somebody there took a trip overseas and decided that if we served absinthe cut down with water it would be a lot cheaper and no one would know the difference and the bar profits would be a lot higher. Come up with an affirmative conclusion; these are dollar conscious days. That clear?"

"Well, yeah. But excuse me, sir, who in the heck drinks Pernod? I bet they don't sell one bottle of that stuff in five years. Besides, isn't the sale of absinthe illegal?"

"Yep," smiles the boss. He looks like the Cheshire cat. "That's just what the CAdO said. See, you've got a good head on your shoulders, boy." The grin gets wider. "But as I said to the CO at the conference, if you cut the absinthe about ten to one you'd get a flavour just like anisette. And folks use a lot of anisette in mixing up cocktails."

"No kidding? What kind of cocktails?"

"Absinthe frappes. And Zombies use Pernod. Look Carstairs, don't get smart alecky with me. That's one of your worst traits. You might be a pretty fair air policeman but you're a smart aleck. What do you know about cocktails?"

"Nothing, sir. Sorry I brought them up, ha, ha."

The Forbidden Plateau again. "You get out, Carstairs, and you start writing. And twenty-four hours from now you put

a staff paper on my desk that recommends after irrefutable logic that Central Warehouse stock absinthe instead of Pernod and anisette. Clear?" He tries all that with what he thinks is a steely-eyed glitter and quiet finality. You take what solace you can get from noticing that his voice breaks on the last word. He sounds, you say bitterly to yourself, like a Chinese opera starring Sidney Greenstreet. He even looks like Sidney Greenstreet, you add wryly.

"You ever heard of Sidney Greenstreet, Chief?" you ask. "Get out of here Carstairs," he shouts, flinging his Maltese Falcon paperweight at you.

You get. Later, in the sanctity of the jail cell you have appropriated for an office, you shed bitter tears. If Mum could only see you now; the lackey of a fleshy failure. Mum, who often bragged that the blood of noblemen flowed in your veins. Good old Mum.

You choke back the ignominy of it all and sharpen the goose-quill into a scratchy nib. This has been your way of fighting a bureaucracy which unctuously refuses to give you a ball-point pen unless you turn in the one you lost first. "Misuse," the NCO i/c Pen Issues was wont to say unspontaneously, "causes abuse."

You dip your goose-quill into a bit of your nobleman's blood and begin to write. You are writing on the back of your boss's commission scroll which you stole for the purpose, and you note that your tears, mingling

with the scarlet of your ink, are staining the parchment in pretty pink patterns.

At first it goes all too slowly. Then as you begin to get the swing of it, the words pour out like the turgid royal purple bubbling from your vein. You begin each paragraph with a number and a topic sentence. The next sentence after the topic sentence you use a big word like 'However' or 'Nonetheless' or 'Moreover.' You end up with eighteen pages of taut prose, four appendices and three annexes. You put the whole in a cardboard folder and stamp it "Eyes Only" with a stamp you carve out of a gum-eraser. You got the "Eyes Only" phrase out of a James Bond novel. The one you stole out of the Boss's office that had greasy fingerprints over the racy parts so that you knew they were the only parts he read.

You know what you're going to do next. But like your boyhood hero, Sherlock Holmes, for whose sake you decided to become an Air Policeman, you find that music helps you arrange your thoughts. Holmes played the violin; you make do with a comb you got for nothing in a tube of Brylcreem and a cigarette paper. You play Dvorak's Symphony in E Flat Minor, Number 5, through twice, run the comb through the strands of tarry hair you admit to excessive pride about, and write a small poem.

The poem reads: "Absinthe makes the heart grow fonder, And your brunette wife look

blonder, And a roving eye to wander; Which should give the girls to ponder.

Pernod though, and anisette, Like to make us all forget, Until we blast our coronet And heigh-ho home to our billet.

And so, old Sidney Greenstreet Chief, Oh Lord of unimportant fief, This villain feels his unbelief Will prove him right; your plan bodes grief.

You staple your poem, one of your better you confess in modesty, to the cover of the cardboarded staff paper and put the whole thing on the top of your boss's desk-blotter. Then you assemble your treasures: a box of elastics, a wallet of dried figs, your Elvis Presley signed photograph, your 007 after-shave lotion, some sen-sen in an aspirin bottle, a tin of rancid Dubbin, and a change of underclothes, and place the whole in a large red polka-dot hanky a girl whose name you've forgotten gave you as a keepsake. You clean and cosmo-line your sten, a cherished possession, one more time; leaving it in its accustomed place: fourth from the left, far right rack.

You switch off your walkie-talkie; the one you modified to pick up the hillbilly FM station, and you leave.

Two days later, you join the British Secret Service and you know that it's only a matter of time before someone does a book about you.



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THESE TWO PICTURES illustrate the difference between the "normal" lens and the telephoto lens. The picture at top was taken with the 50mm lens which is standard length on most 35mm cameras. The bottom picture is the same scene as seen with a medium telephoto, in this case, 160mm. The telephoto lens is about three power, and takes in less than 15 degrees as opposed to the 45 degree angle of view afforded by the normal lens. Long lenses of this type are very useful in sports and portrait photography, and are very versatile when used with a bellows for close-up work.

—J.G. Tremblay photos

Camera Club Corner

by J. G. TREMBLAY
When you acquire a single lens reflex camera, you discover something new in photography, looking at your picture composition right through the lens.

This is in fact better, because you have no parallax problems and you can frame more evenly. Another advantage, is the lens interchangeability with a Pentax or other well known brands, you can adapt 300 lenses or more. Or get a set of bellows and dig in micro-photography, by using certain types of lenses, you can magnify a small object 50 times or more.

I had an old Agilux Tele-lens with a 4 inch barrel adaptor in my desk for 4 years, and had no use for it until I bought a single lens reflex camera. I dismantled the lens, and adapted the leftover to a set of Pentax bellows and found myself with quite a versatile outfit. I discovered that I could take sharp close-ups and good

telescopic shots.

You really don't have to spend a lot of money for brand name accessories for your camera; I also came across a telescopic lens ideal for 35mm portraiture, and half the price of the same lens made by a well known company, both lenses were very good, and had the same rating when I checked on a photo magazine report.

I used 5 rolls of 20 exposure black and white Plus X Pan to evaluate my lenses, and it cost me a total of one dollar for 5 rolls of film and \$3.00 worth of paper for the printing. Where else but the Camera Club could you experiment for a lower price? See you all there.

CENTENNIAL MEMO — Three small islands in Victoria harbor were named for officials of the Hudson's Bay Company in England — Pelly, Colville and Berens.

Why Worry?

Every newspaper uses fillers, those little gems one finds at the bottom of a column. They are used to make the end of the page reach to the end of the printing. Everyone has noticed filler, and perhaps wondered about some of it. "Canada exported 65 million frammis boggles in 1956." Was it a good year for frammis boggles? Record? Did Canada import more than that?

For those of us who take this kind of thing seriously, there was the best of all fillers ever, in the "Green Sheet" some weeks ago. "Ninety-seven per cent of Canadians can read and write a little."

Simple you say? Can these Canadians in the other three per cent read and write at all? A lot? Who made this survey? Which group are we in? No wonder people who don't read anything but "Peanuts" are more serene.

Ice Review

The Comox Figure-Skating Club is sponsoring its production "Ice Review of 1966" at Glacier Gardens at 8 p.m. on Saturday, 26 March.

The show promises much good entertainment in the two hour performance planned. The first hour will be devoted to skating — both serious and comedy,

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RCAF HISTORY

— Part Three

THE DESERT

Another RCAF day-fighter squadron (No. 417) flew with the famed desert air force on operations from the Nile valley in Egypt to the plains of northern Italy. Its Spitfires gave air protection to the port of Alexandria, participated in the closing stages of the Tunisian campaign, covered the allied invasions of Sicily and Calabria, guarded the beachhead at Anzio, and then, becoming fighter-bombers, supported the Eighth Army as it slogged its way up the peninsula to the foothills of the Alps.

NIGHT FIGHTERS

RCAF night-fighter squadrons (Nos. 406, 409, and 410) became operational in the autumn of 1941 and the Canadian night-fighter teams were able to collect a total of 55 enemy aircraft destroyed, 100 probables, and 27 damaged in the period before D-Day. V-1 flying-bombs began buzzing across the Channel in June 1944 and two RCAF Mosquito squadrons destroyed 92.

THE BOMBERS

On the night of June 12/13, 1941, the first Canadian bomber operation was carried out by three Wellingtons. A year later, in May, 1942, when the first 1,000 bomber raid was staged, 68 RCAF aircraft participated. When the war ended Canadian bomber squadrons were sending out over 200 heavies at a time carrying a total of 900 tons of bombs.

NO. 6 GROUP
While No. 6 Group (all RCAF, formed Jan. 1, 1943) continued operations from its bases in Yorkshire, England, three of its bomber squadrons were detached to the Mediterranean theatre to take part in the invasion of Sicily and Italy. When Italy deserted the Axis and became a co-belligerent, the wing returned to Britain and rejoined No. 6 Group.

In addition to long-range strategic offensives against the Reich, 1944 saw the scale of operations increased sharply as the group poured high explosives on scores of targets on the "rocket coast," assisted in the preparations for D-day, took part in the actual assault, and then gave valuable support to the army in the battle of Normandy.

The group, now equipped with Lancasters or Halifaxes, consisted of 14 squadrons.

During its 28 months of operations with bomber command, No. 6 group flew 271,981 hours on 40,822 sorties and dropped 126,122 tons of bombs and mines. A total of 814 crews were lost.

COASTAL COMMAND
At one time or another, while coastal command was fighting the Battle of the Atlantic and clearing the seas for the invasion of Northwest Africa, seven RCAF squadrons served under its banner. These included three units equipped with landplanes — Blenheims, Beaufighters, Mosquitos, Hudsons, Wellingtons, Hampdens, and Albacores; three equipped with Catalina and Sunderland flying boats; and one flying the amphibious Canso.

From the legions manning these squadrons came the RCAF's first Victoria Cross winner of the war, F/L D. E. Hornell.

SOUTH-EAST ASIA
No. 413 (Catalina) Squadron carried out coastal duties over the Indian Ocean and adjacent waters from 1942. On one of the first sorties flown from Ceylon Sqn. Ldr. L. J. Birchall and his crew discovered an approaching Japanese invasion fleet. The Catalina was shot down but its warning message alerted the island's defences and Ceylon was saved.

TRANSPORT COMMAND

In addition to its representation in fighter, bomber, and the coastal commands, the RCAF contributed units to transport command of the RAF. In the late summer of 1944, transport squadrons were formed overseas — two to operate in south-east Asia and one in northwest Europe.

WITH THE RAF

About 60 per cent of RCAF personnel served with the RAF overseas.

In fighter squadrons of the RAF Canadian pilots flew over Western Europe, North Russia, Egypt and the Western Desert, North Africa, Singapore and Burma, and Malta. At least one out of every four pilots who served in the battle of Malta came from Canada. There, as a member of the RAF before transferring to the RCAF, F/O G. F. (Buzz) Beurling won 29 victories and four decorations.

In bomber command, when W/C Guy Gibson led No. 617 Squadron to breach the Mohne and Eder dams May 16/17, 1943, one of his 133 aircrew 29 were members of the RCAF.

Canadians shared too in the sinking of the Tirpitz. In No. 8 Pathfinder group and all the other groups of bomber command Canada badges were conspicuous. A Canadian officer in the RAF, Sqn. Ldr. I. W. Bazalgette was awarded the VC posthumously for a heroic act of self-sacrifice while flying as a master bomber.

About one-fifth of the aircrews in coastal command units were Canadians. One of them, F/O

K. O. Moore, made history when, in the early hours of D-Plus two, he sank two U-boats in 22 minutes, a feat unequalled in the annals of U-boat warfare. Many of the RAF radar units were almost wholly Canadian in personnel.

More than 8,000 officers, airmen, and air-women received decorations from the British and allied governments, including two Victoria Crosses and four George Crosses. The air force's roll of honour for the Second World War contains the names of 17,100 men and women who gave their lives in the service.

POSTWAR

In February, 1946, the first post-war plan for the RCAF was announced, providing for a regular force component of 16,000 officers and men, an auxiliary of 4,500, and a reserve of 10,000. It was proposed to have eight regular force squadrons and 15 auxiliary, and in April of that year the first seven post-war auxiliary units were formed.

By the end of 1946 the women's division was dissolved and a year later the RCAF had contracted to 11,369 personnel. The RCAF's first jet fighter, the Vampire, was introduced in January, 1948, UN AND NATO

On Dec. 28, 1948, the minister of national defence announced an expanded program to meet "changing circumstances." The ceiling on strength was to be removed; existing air bases were to be reconditioned and new ones developed; and the design and production of jet aircraft would be undertaken in Canada. Then

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Myohmy, the time sure rolls around fast. It seems that I just finished writing up the last column. I'm sure the editors must have to really love their work to put so much time into it as they are certainly doing an excellent job of keeping the rest of us on our toes!

We had a bad scare for a short time but I hear that FS J. Sparling won't be leaving for Bagotville now until May sometime. He's a member of the PMQ Council who has been bouncing from Hallowe'en to Xmas Concert to Santa to Snow Queens to Elections with many smaller things thrown in here and there. He's been one busy guy and will be missed when he does go. His replacement on the Council is that guy with the great big grin (for awhile it was the opposite!) Sgt. Bob Chapman. I see signs of the grin fading — "don't worry, Bob, it's not that bad a job!"

Nominations will be around today for the up and coming PMQ Council Elections so don't forget to fill yours in with a great deal of thought. Is there a lady in your ward who would be a good candidate for Council? I know of one in Ward 1 and I'm certain she's not the only one in PMQ's. Friday, March 25, will be Election Day (Councilors will be around to each house with ballots) with the lucky winners to be announced at the big Election Night Dance at 11 p.m. This dance will be held at the Rec Centre from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. and there will be no charge at the door. Eats will be available at the Snack Bar and the other "refreshments" will be served from the usual place in the gym.

The "Swinging Shepherds" will be in attendance from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. with a short stop for the results of the Election and a small "auction" which should prove to be a bit of enjoyment. See you there.

The YAAC's will be doing a mural of all PMQ activities for the dance and they will also be doing the advertising by way of

a contest among themselves. This will be quite a job and we hope many will be out to see their efforts.

"Stay At Home" Bingo is on its way again with a slight change. The new telephone number to call is 339-2211, Local 372 between the hours of 1-2 p.m. Mrs. G. Leather has been a very busy lady for the last three months and is now resting her ear. Many thanks go to you, Mrs. Leather, for the many hours you gave to everyone in that three months.

Totem Teen Town are now going to branch out and form a Junior Totem Teen Town. This will be for boys and girls aged 11 to 14. The plans, with co-operation from the parents, are very good. There will be dances, not more than once a month, to be attended by a supervisor, two parents and two responsible senior Teens. The YAAC's will be a part of the Jr. Totems with a similar boys group formed in the near future. On the night of a dance, the members of the YAAC's who do not wish to go will have another activity planned. For further information phone Loc. 372.

We've got another activity starting soon. It's a "Dad and Lad" basketball league to be held at the Rec Centre. If Dad doesn't have a lad, 10 years or over, he is encouraged to beg or borrow one from a friend or neighbor. A team will consist of at least two Dads. This could be a lot of fun and exercise for Dad and fun and encouragement for Lad. Whatever way you look at it, it will be fun. Phone or drop in at the Rec Office to leave your names to be put on a team or to sign up your team.

One very good member of PMQ Council has left the area and the Air Force after doing a very good job on Council and that is F/L R. B. Rasmussen. We wish you the very best in the future and "thank you" for a job well done. Time to go again. Don't forget the Election Nite Dance. See you there.



OFFICER SPRING FASHION SHOW — A Spring Fashion Show is to be held by the Officers' Wives Club on the 23 March in the Officers' Mess. The show will be described by Mr. Sinclair of Miss Frith Millinery and Fashions, Victoria, the firm supplying all the garments in the display. Marg Vincent, Tannis Turnbull, Doris Cooper and Helen Stewart form the decorating committee, hard at work producing centrepieces and other decorations to brighten the mess dining room for the occasion. Mrs. Cooper (third from left) is also the show convenor.

Navy receives congratulations

Ships and men of the Royal Canadian Navy are the recipients of warm praise in a telegram from the Canadian charge d'affaires and consul in Uruguay, J. A. Dougan, to the Department of External Affairs.

Reporting on the recent visit to Montevideo of the aircraft carrier Bonaventure and submarine Grilse, Mr. Dougan said: "Officers and men were great credit to Canada and visited invoked much favorable comment in press and from Uruguayan public and government officials."

The Bonaventure, from Halifax, and the Grilse, from Esquimalt, B.C., are two of 12 RCN ships that have been visiting ports in South America and the West Indies in between intensive spring exercises in southern waters.

Sailor's Pride

Four RCAF Argus aircraft of Canada's Maritime Command deployed Monday to Gibraltar for a routine NATO sea and air tactical exercise called Sailor's Pride.

In addition to the Canadian anti-submarine aircraft, maritime forces from The Netherlands, Norway, Portugal and the United Kingdom are taking part. They assembled in Gibraltar Monday. French maritime forces also are co-operating in the tactical phase under the French commander-in-chief for Atlantic. Ships of the Matchmaker NATO escort squadron, made up of ships from various NATO countries operating together as a team for an extended period, are included in Sailor's Pride. The Canadian contribution to the Matchmaker Squadron will join late in April.

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The Royal Military College of Canada

Little do Canadians realize that their Royal Military College of Canada is unique among the military academies and colleges of the world. It is the only institution of its kind in the world that provides officer cadets of the three Services a specialized university undergraduate education, combined with an excellent military formation.

It is very strange that Canadians are more aware of and familiar with West Point or Annapolis than of their own Royal Military College, which has been in existence for almost ninety years. Few people realize that RMC is the second oldest engineering school in Canada, and even now, produces the fifth largest number of undergraduate engineers in five engineering fields in Canada.

It was RMC that trained most of the builders of the Canadian nation. At the turn of the century, hardly a bridge, road or railway was built without the assistance of a RMC engineering graduate. This special emphasis on engineering still exists today, for at the Graduation ceremonies last May, well over 50% of the graduates were awarded Bachelor of Engineering degrees.

Graduates of the Royal Military College have distinguished themselves in many fields. In politics and public service, Ex-Cadets like Walter Gordon, C.M. Drury, George Hees, Justice Colin Gibson, Kelso Roberts, and E. C. Plow are only a few who served Canada and RMC well. The achievements of Ex-Cadets in various fields have been remarkable when one considers the relatively few graduates produced by RMC.

Ex-Cadets have provided leadership in many endeavours. At one time, three of the largest breweries in Canada were managed by Ex-Cadets. RMC graduates are well represented in the fields of Law and Education in Canada and the Commonwealth. Many Commissioners of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police received their initial training at RMC.

Because RMC is a military college, it is natural to assume that many military leaders received their education here. As such, graduates of RMC met with success out of all proportion to their numbers and served with marked distinction in campaigns all over the world. From the North-West Rebellion of 1885 to the United Nations Mission in Kashmir RMC graduates have participated in every Canadian campaign or action. Four of the twenty-four members of the Class of 1952 (the first Class to graduate after World War II) who went to Korea won the Military Cross. Two graduates, "Billy" Bishop and Lt-Col Merritt were awarded the Victoria Cross. The George Cross was awarded to two Ex-Cadets, and a former RMC Cadet and Commandant, who rose to command the Canadian Army during World War II, General H. D. G. Crerar, was awarded the Order of the Companions of Honour. Such achievements represent only a small fraction of the awards and recognition given to RMC graduates for dedicated service to their Country.

The Royal Military College, which opened with its first class of eighteen Gentlemen Cadets on 1 June, 1876, is the oldest military college in the Commonwealth outside England. The creation of the Dominion of Canada in 1867 had been followed by the withdrawal of British troops, including regular officers who had, up to that time, supervised the training of the Canadian Militia. To remedy this deficiency,

RMC was set up by an Act of the Canadian Parliament to "provide an institution at which young men could secure a superior military and scientific training".

The location of the Royal Military College, on Point Frederick at Kingston, was rich in Canadian military and naval history. Few places in Canada have had as long a series of military and naval associations or played as great a part in the defence of Canada. The first Commandant, Major E. O. Hewett, chose the College motto—"Truth, Duty, Valour". He and the first class of Gentlemen Cadets (known today as the "Old Eighteen") established the sound foundations of discipline, training and education which have become traditional and are maintained today. In June, 1942, the Royal Military College of Canada laid up its Colours and closed for the duration of hostilities. In September, 1948, it was re-opened and re-organized as a Canadian Services College for the purpose of training cadets for all three Canadian Services and providing a high calibre university education for Canada's future officers. RMC is the senior of the three Canadian Services Colleges, comprising Royal Roads, Victoria, B. C. and College Militaire Royal de Saint-Jean, P. Q.

RMC was officially recognized as a full university in 1959 with power to grant its own degrees. Since then, RMC has been able to strengthen its academic reputation as one of the best universities in Canada. RMC has the lowest failure rate of any

university in Canada. The Arts faculty has the highest percentage of honour students in Canada and the College's share of top scholarships is far higher than enrolment would indicate.

The College has a student body of 520 Cadets, drawn from every part and territory of Canada. In spite of a relatively small number of students, RMC has an enviable academic reputation. It Scholarships were based on enrolment alone, RMC should win one Rhodes Scholarship once every fifteen years. Since receiving degree granting status in 1959, RMC graduates have been awarded five Rhodes Scholarships. Last May, one Rhodes Scholarship, two Athlone Fellowships, and thirteen other top scholarships in all fields were awarded to the 180 Cadets of the Graduating Class.

Every student at RMC receives a balanced education. Engineers participate in courses in the humanities and students in Arts receive a good grounding in mathematics and sciences in their first two years. All students must take a course in other than their mother tongue for the first three years. With the possibility of increasing this to four years, all RMC graduates should become bilingual.

Athletics, as well as academics, form part of the life of a RMC Cadet. Heavy emphasis is placed on sports, not necessarily in producing super stars, but in ensuring that all graduates have experienced individual and team effort in athletic endeavours.

On graduating, a RMC Cadet will have competed in at least fifteen sports and been instructed in twenty-three. It is one of the few universities in Canada that provides instruction and competition in Lacrosse.



CANADIANS ON COPACABANA — Canadian sailors sight-seeing in Rio de Janeiro take in world famous Copacabana Beach during the formal visit early in February of a 12-ship, 3,500-man Canadian task group to the sun-drenched Brazilian metropolis. Standing (l. to r.) are: A/B Robert F. Berbeck, Victoria, and Eric E. Patterson, of St. John, N.B., and L/S Glen A. Lord, of Tracy, N.B. Kneeling is L/S Thomas W. Mahoney, of St. John's, Nfld., and Shannon Park, N.S.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

INTERSECTION HOCKEY

As of this date more than half way through the semi-finals and all teams have at least one win to their credit. Effective 14th March the finals will start. The two teams in the finals have not yet been decided but games will be played on the following evenings for a best 3 of 5 series.

14 Mar 19 Mar 21 Mar 28 Mar and date of final game to be announced. It is noted that there is not too much support from the spectators' bench so how about getting out and cheering for your favorite team to win.

"B" LEAGUE VOLLEYBALL

This series is nearing the finals which should start 22nd March for Tues. league and 24 March for Thurs. league. Type of finals not yet decided but a meeting will be called to decide if any further finals are necessary.

Standings as of 07 Mar 66 are, for Tues. nite league:

409 Sqn 6 pts., Soccerites 3 pts., Accounts No. 1, 2 pts., USAF 1 pt.

For Thursday nite league: 121 S&R, 5 pts., 121 I&E 4 pts., Accounts No. 2, 2 pts., Telecom 1 pt.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Boy, some fight! Everybody wants to win and they are sure fighting for every point in the game. To date league standings are USAF 14, 407-409 12 pts., Teens 8 pts., HQ-121 6 pts. The

standings can change at any time and these games are excellent to watch. Call the Rec Centre at local 315 for game times. STATION BASKETBALL TEAM

This exclusive team is taking on all comers to get in practice for the Tri-service Basketball Tournament. Some losses have been incurred but the station team beat Campbell River by a score of 73 to 70. Keep up the good work and win fellows.

"A" LEAGUE VOLLEYBALL. Real nice competition for the championship team. There are three teams in the league and the top two only 2 points apart. Games are played on Wednesday nights from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. and if you want to see some excellent volleyball come out and watch.

BROOMBALL. Since all the scoresheets are not being turned in it is difficult at this time to be exact on the league standings, but, if you want to see real action just visit the arena on Monday and Wednesday nights from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The top three teams appear to be 121, Torpedo and I&E. The Rec Staff request that all score sheets be turned in the morning after the game so we can keep the station up to date on league standings.

COMING EVENTS. Watch DRO's for meetings for Tennis, Softball, Rod and Gun Club, Golf and many other sports coming up for the spring and summer seasons.

Station Basketball



Campbell River press in third quarter



Bright Spot of Game for Spectators

The Station Basketball team had its first taste of victory last Monday night, as they squeezed by MacLeod Motors of Campbell River by a close 3 point margin. This is the first win for the Station Team in three tries.

So far this season the station team has been practically without practice or competition since the team was not entered in the local Senior "B" league. The players have been picked from the four inter-section teams on a come as you can basis.

With the arrival of the tri-service (?) tournament, 25-26 March in Abbotsford, the team will have to whip themselves into playing form. The RCAF team has won the tri-service invitational match for the past three years straight and will be looking forward to their fourth this month.

The final score in Monday night's game against Campbell River was 73-70 in favor of the RCAF squad. It was a tight game all the way and the final score is indicative of the type of ball playing. The top three scorers for the RCAF were Nielson with 19, Goodwin with 12 and Reid 11 points. The top scorer for the Campbell River team was Mair with 22 points.

Travellers trusted

Customs officials in Sweden use the honor system, says the B.C. Automobile Association.

Travellers decide for themselves whether they have anything to declare.

If they don't, they go through a green door, where there is no customs agent. If they do, they pick a red door, where customs inspectors are stationed.

still lost 7 points.

Although the weather last week was cold and biting for a round of Golf one foursome braved the weather at Sunnydale Golf Course, which incidentally relinquished sparse pars and numerous bogies. Sgt. Turner came out the money winner in the customary monetary game, much to the consternation of a couple of unmentioned golfers. There is a possibility of a Intermural Golf League beginning in April but no official word has been received yet. This new sports program

depends on the number of squadrons and personnel that are interested. Also in the mill is a Golf Driving Range on the base pending approval of funds.

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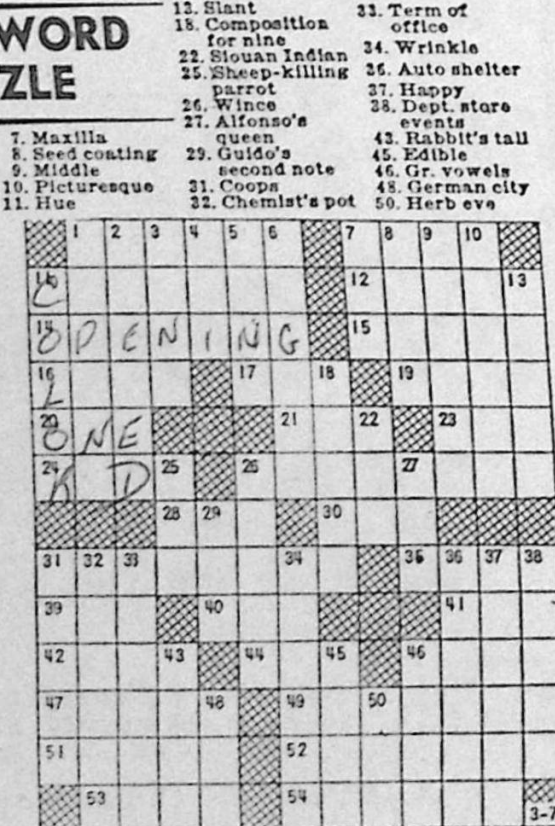
In a low-level emergency, the pilot activates a rocket charge, installed in the aircraft seat, which ignites and propels seat and pilot about 350 feet in the air.

A second later, a tripping device fires an initiator; this routes high-pressure gas which opens the lap belt and frees the pilot from the seat.

The man flies free for about two seconds to place greater horizontal distance between him and the plane, which might explode; then, a mechanism in his chute fires a small projectile from the pack, pulling out the drogue chute which, in turn pulls out the main chute. The whole process takes about 15 seconds and can be used at speeds from zero to 450 knots.

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ACROSS
1. Punctuation mark
7. Preserves
11. Conestoga
12. Betel palm
14. Pore
15. Make broader
16. Inventory
17. Knowledge
19. Food club
20. United
21. Menagerie
22. Trouble
24. Plagiarist
26. Condemn
28. Consume
30. Cosmic style
31. Waterfall
32. Seasons
33. October brew
34. Make a mistake
41. Wing
42. Rifle
44. Afternoon social
45. Picoch
46. Draw out
47. Arouse
48. Antivoxin
49. Brutes
50. Rents
51. Rubbed out
DOWN
1. Keel-shaped part
2. Emerged
3. Log float
4. King of Midian
5. Temporary stitch
6. Sign of a cold



(Answers on page 3)

Senior NCO's Corner

by BFSTK

The Comox District Cribbage League Individual Playoffs were held in the Sgt's Mess on Friday, 25th February. The Sgts Mess cribbage doubles championships consisting of Sgts Gord Long and Vic Samuels emerged victorious after beating out the Sunnydale twosome in the finals, two straight games out of three.

Sgt Rick Kellow, the team singles champion, was not so fortunate and was knocked out of contention. Jim Tierney of the Cumberland Hotel emerged as the singles champion.

The Sgts team are making every effort to get into the Sunnydale Playoffs to be held on the 16th March at Sunnydale. Up and at 'em fellows.

Saturday, February 26th, 84 mess members, wives and girl friends turned out for the mess bowling tournament. This event was climaxed with a Bingo and dance in the evening. Prizes were presented at the latter event to the following winners in the tourney: Ladies high single, Mrs. Alice Finlay; ladies high cross, Mrs. Mary Lyman; men's high single, FS Harry Chapman; men's high cross, WO1 Bob Parker. Winning team: Sgt Herb Miller, Mrs. Finlay, FS and Mrs. Chapman, Sgt and Mrs. Bob Chapman.

Sunday 6th March, the mess cribbage team and their wives hosted the Fishermen's Lodge cribbage team in an afternoon of cribbage, darts and shuffleboard. There were about 40 people present from both teams. This affair was enjoyed by all. An invitation from Stan Davies of the BPOE cribbage team for an evening at the Elks Lodge for the mess has been received. This will be on a Friday, and with an orchestra. It should be a good do. There will be room for ten couples to make up the team. Those interested in going should contact FS Willie Fisher 254 or Sgt Vic Samuels 349 or

WO1 Smythe, 358.
COMING EVENTS
IN THE SGT'S MESS

St. Patrick's Dance, 19 Mar. 2100 hrs. Irish Southern Fried Chicken. Orchestra. \$1.00 per couple.

Mess dinner 23 March. Bingo and dance; 2 Apr., 2030 hrs. "Swinging Shepherds." — Chinese food. \$1.00 card. Easter Ball; 16 Apr. Cocktails 2000 hrs. Dance 2100. Hip of beef. Semi formal. \$2.00 couple. Sportsmans Bingo and Dance; 30 Apr. Fish and chips. "Swinging Shepherds." \$1.00 card.

If the current weather is a sign of the times, we are in trouble. Since March blew in, one is not sure whether we are going to wake up to snow, rain, blizzard or tornado. We are however more fortunate than the Winnipeg area and the Central States, 20 foot snow drifts, transportation immobilized etc. An article I read recently stated that if you were 40 or over, strenuous exercise like shovelling snow was to be avoided. We sure don't have to worry about shovelling what has been falling the past week.

The Mess wishes to congratulate newly promoted Sgt Leuzler and FS Fisher. We also welcome recent arrivals to the Comox Valley and the Sgt's Mess.

"There is one good thing about snow, it makes your lawn look as good as your neighbor's."

SCOUTING NEWS

ANNUAL FATHER AND SON BANQUET

2nd Comox (RCAF) Boy Scouts held their annual Father and Son Banquet on Thursday, Feb. 24. Dinner was served in the Airman's Mess RCAF Station Comox by members of the Mother's Auxiliary.

Head table guests were the Commanding Officer, G/C Turnbull, and members of the Scout executive and the sponsoring body. In introducing the guests the group committee chairman emphasized the fact that only the lack of space prevented seating each uniformed scout at the head table. All the scouts were invited guests, and in honoring the memory of the founder of the Scout movement, Lord Baden Powell, it was also intended to acknowledge today's Scout leaders.

The three ladies who serve as leaders in the group were presented with corsages in recognition of their efforts — Mrs. Dunbar, president of the Mother's Auxiliary; Mrs. Albrecht, group committee secretary; and Miss Marilyn Sparling, assistant cub master.

The formalities were ably conducted by Queen Scout Perry Ethier acting as Master of Ceremonies, with minor assistance from the group committee chairman. Perry called on Scout Craig Forrester to give the toast to the Queen.

A highlight of the evening activities was the presentation of a beautiful portrait of the Queen to the Scouting body. Mrs. Mary Dunbar presented the portrait to Cub Ricky Wile who accepted it on behalf of 2nd Comox. The m/c expressed the thanks of all present, which was enthusiastically seconded by a round of applause.

Entertainment in the form of

skits was planned and directed by Scoutmaster Bob Sibbert and the cubmasters. The troop and each pack entertained their guests with a number of rollicking and amusing numbers. Scoutmaster Sibbert also produced a number of audience participation songs in the Scout vein which added to the evening's entertainment while serving to dispel any possibility of recruiting talent for the Metropolitan Opera from among those present.

In his closing remarks, the chairman Ralph Scott thanked the Mothers' Auxiliary for their efforts in serving the dinner and for their very considerable assistance throughout the year. He also thanked the Scouts for their devotion to duty and added a personal word of thanks to Scoutmaster Sibbert and the skit-makers.

One disappointing result has emerged from the banquet. A meeting announced for Monday, Feb. 28 in the Scout Hall for fathers was very poorly attended. A total of two were on hand to represent the 75 or so parents who failed to make it, and one of the two was a cubmaster. However, the other dad volunteered to be an assistant — a step in the right direction.

We have an average of two leaders in each pack. However since our pack strength runs to 25 or more this is not nearly enough since many leaders are shift workers. One adult simply cannot control and direct the activities of 25 or more young boys. There are two possible solutions — more leaders — or less packs and hence fewer cubs.

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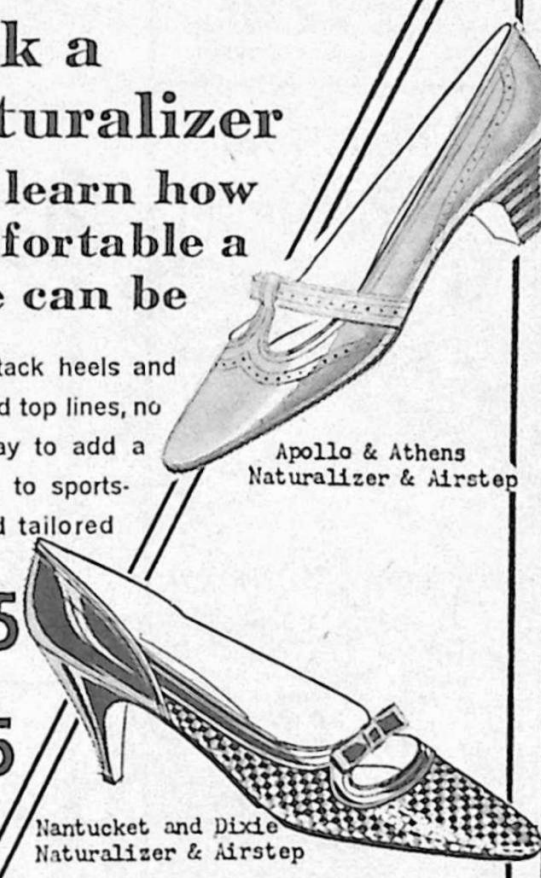
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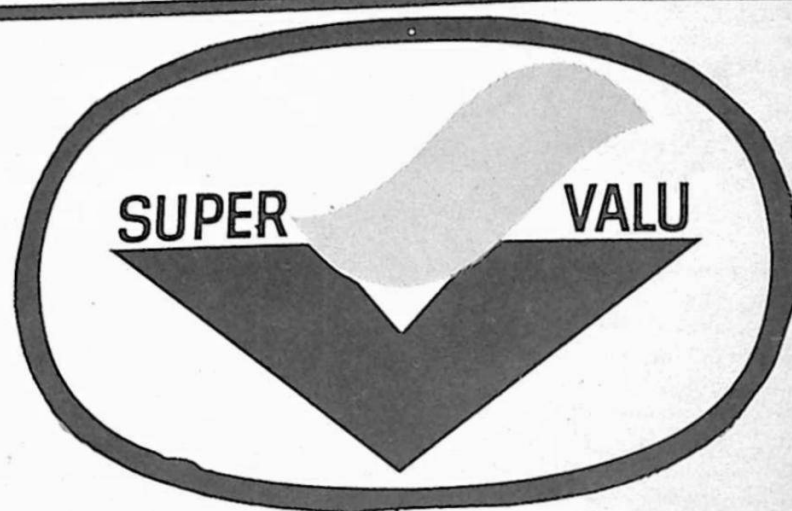
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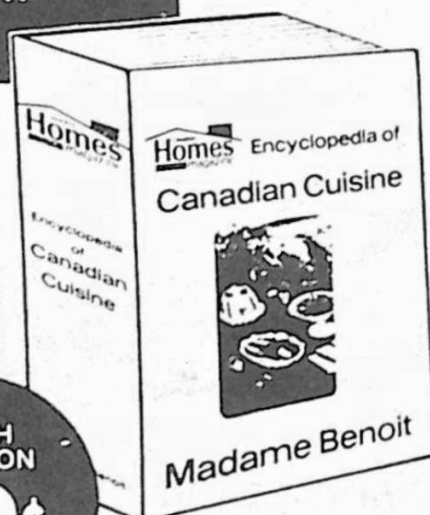
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