

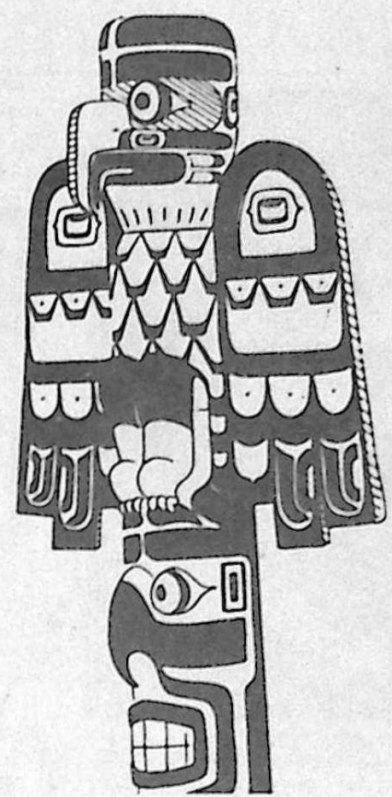


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Trade Structure Changes

Pay Scales Revised - Traditional Concepts Out As DND Goes Modern

Canadian servicemen today got their first look at the new integrated pay and trade structure, and most of them said that it was a long-overdue step in the right direction. The major changes in the structures were based on a study which covered two years.

The immediate effect is to cut out the confusing tangle of allowances which are now paid to Canadian servicemen, and replace them with a single salary. Such archaic concepts as marriage allowance, subsistence allowance and other such things which make the average civilian believe that the average serviceman is an overpaid parasite have been thrown out, to be replaced by a salary which

is based on skill and trade knowledge.

As one result of the two year study, the number of trades in Canada's armed services have been cut from 350 to just under one hundred. These new trades are now assigned to various payfields, using a formula designed by the defence research board which took into account such variables as knowledge, scope of action, physical skills, consequence of error, attention, physical effort, working conditions and hazards. Using these parameters it was then possible to assign people to various payfields.

The result is a trades and pay structure which is a radical departure from that previously

in effect. In ends, for instance, the anomaly of single officers and airmen being paid substantially less for their labours than their married brethren. Henceforth the principle of equal pay for equal work will apply.

It is not possible, as some press reports have been doing, to put a percentage value on the pay raise. Some people will gain a considerable amount. Others will not. One immediate effect of the revision will be to make the entire amount of a serviceman's recompense subject to the 6% deduction for pension fund, rather than just his basic pay, as is now the case.

Another effect of the new trade structure will be to overwhelm the base Corporals Club with new members. Under

the new regulations qualified airmen can be promoted to the rank of corporal after four years service.

Barrack blocks should become less crowded under the new regulations. Permission will be granted for single personnel who wish to do so to live downtown. Those who wish to live in quarters will be able to do so at a rent determined according to their rank.

The package unveiled by the department today, with the promise of more to come next October is indicative of progressive thinking, and will be welcomed by all servicemen. It will not make millionaires of all airmen, nor will it satisfy all airmen. But it will make poverty a lot more bearable.

BASE COMMANDER IS TRANSFERRED

To Comox



G/C LETT

Command Changes

To MARPAC



G/C TURNBULL

Group Captain K.C. Lett, 43, of Carp, Ont., has been appointed commander of CFB Comox, B.C. He was formerly staff officer, operations, with headquarters, 1 Air Division in Metz, France.

He succeeds Group Capt. R.S. Turnbull, 47, of Covan, Sask., who has been appointed to the staff of Maritime Command, Pacific, at Esquimalt, B.C.

Born and educated in Carp, Ont., Wing Cmdr. Lett enlisted in the RCAF at Ottawa in 1941. Two years later he was flying Spitfires on overseas operations with 402 (City of Winnipeg) Squadron.

After the war he re-enlisted and joined 410 Squadron at St. Hubert, Que., as a pilot. In 1951

he became a flight commander with 413 Squadron at RCAF Station Bagotville, Que.

In 1953 he took command of a flight at Zweibrücken, Germany and later moved to Grostenquin, France, to command 416 Squadron. A flying appointment at Gimli, Man., followed and in 1959 he attended the RCAF Staff College.

In 1960 he went to Chatham, N. B., on staff duties and in 1961 took command of 6 Strike-Reconnaissance Operational Training Unit at Cold Lake, Alta.

In 1964 he became chief operations officer at 3 Fighter Wing, Zweibrücken, Germany, and a year later moved to the operations appointment in Metz.

Fire Prevention Week October 9th to 15th

FIRE AND YOU

So Mrs. O'Reilly's cow kicked over the lantern on Oct. 9th 1871, and burned down Chicago; What does that mean to you? In these days of brush fire wars, air disasters, weekend death tolls, etc., the 200 dead and 100,000 homeless doesn't make much impression. Also the \$168,000,000 loss doesn't even warrant a passing glance. It costs almost that much to launch a satellite or buy a new bomber. No! Fire Prevention Week has to be reduced to a personal thing to be effective or to get people to heed its message.

The fastest way to get a rush of fire consciousness and make your message get action is to have a local large house fire. Doesn't this seem a little radical to get your attention? But you really don't pay any attention to fire prevention until it happens to you. No, you don't. As long as there is a child left alone while the mother 'only stopped for a quick cup of tea next door' - or a baby sitter who doesn't even know how many children there are, much-less where each is sleeping - or a neat soul who cleans up the basement by piling heaps of combustibles under the basement stairs - or-or-on and on, We say No, you don't pay any attention.

Read the paper and notice the house fires with everything lost, or the businesses burned with jobs lost or other fires with lives lost and say, "This may happen to me". Now that you have admitted the possibility of being affected you have gone part way. To continue this effort to save you and yours learn the few things that help prevent fires and practise them. Then think for fire, - act for fire, check for fire, watch for fire, and hope it isn't your turn.

Fire Prevention Program

- Sun: 9 Oct 66. 1300 hrs.-Parade through P.M.Q.s
Sun: 9 Oct 66. 1400 hrs. - Open House in Fire hall until 1700 hrs.
Mon: 10 Oct. 1015 hrs.-Visiting Firemen from Comox, Courtenay Cumberland. Static Display of fire vehicles.
1 00 hrs.- 400 gal; spill at training pits, extinguished by Major Foam.
1300 hrs.- Fire hose stream display at School Ground.
Tue: 11 Oct. Morning-Open House visit from School Children etc; Afternoon- Lecture at the School. Evening- Visit by Boy Scouts.
Wed: 12 Oct. 1015 - Lecture to 409 Sqn; Open house. afternoon-Visit by school children. Fire drill at school. Evening-Visit by Girl Guides.
Thurs: 13 Oct. 1015 hrs.-Lecture to 121 Sqn; Open House. Afternoon-Visit by school children. Evening-Visit by Cubs.
Fri: 14 Oct. 1015 hrs-Lecture to 407 Sqn. Open house. Afternoon-Visit by School children. Evening-Visit by Brownies.
Sat: 15 Oct. Open house all day till 1700 hrs.

FIGHT FIRE!



THE NEW LOOK

A multi-purpose Northrop F-5 Freedom Fighter, which has been selected as the new tactical support aircraft for Canada's Forces, is shown here (top) in the colors of the RCAF during recent demonstration flights at Canadair Limited. The Montreal company has begun production of 125 new planes which will be built to Canadian specifications and known as the CF-5. Flying alongside the F-5 is the

Canadair-designed CL-41 Tutor, a side-by-side basic trainer of the RCAF (a pure jet, but the first airplane now RCAF pilots fly). Canadair has built and delivered almost 190 of these Tutors and is now manufacturing 20 tactical-trainer versions, known as the CL-41G, for the Royal Malaysian Air Force. This is the first time the two aircraft have been or could be photographed together.

Mountain Rescue

by ART COLLINS

The pilot of the small plane peered anxiously ahead. On all sides the mist-draped hills poked into the clouds. Below lay the water, slick and ominous.

His jaw tensed. The decision was made. He lifted the machine's nose and with awful swiftness the fog engulfed him. Vapor sped past, tumbling, rolling, now darker, now lighter, a candy floss sea teeming with danger. His eyes flicked from instruments to windscreen and his hands squeezed the controls.

Suddenly there were trees ahead! His hands flew! The engine screamed! The ship shuddered! But the trees came too fast. The scream ended in a crash, and the aircraft fell in wrenching, lurching steps until it lay broken and twisted at the base of the trees. Silence returned to the fog shrouded hillside.

Far away, radioed instructions turned a CH113 helicopter to a new heading. The pilots, Flight Lieutenants Dan Campbell and Al Winter pinpointed the site on a map, checked heading, altitude, fuel and distance. In the helicopter's cabin rescue hoist, stretcher, medical kit, two-way radio, and all the paraphernalia of rescue were prepared and put into position.

In less than an hour they were at the scene. They made an attempt to search but the cloud was too low. Upon Catface Mountain a man lay injured or dead. But nothing could be done. They landed on the beach.

The Tofino lifeboat was there, as was Fred Thomas, the fisherman who had seen the aircraft and heard the crash.

The minutes ticked by and became half an hour, an hour, an hour and a half. Sea birds cried and faintly, from above the crash, came the hoots and growls of a logging operation.

A civilian seaplane landed and taxied to shore. "Have you seen them?"

"No, Cloud too low." Anxious eyes peered upward, but nothing could be done.

Then came the break. The clouds lifted and in less than thirty minutes the hillside was clear.

The seaplane took off and spotted the wreck on its first pass. Quickly the helicopter lifted from the beach and climbed to the site.

"There it is! At two o'clock! And he's alive! Sitting on the fuselage, looking up!"

"Trees are damned high! Get that hoist out. See if we can touch the ground."

The hoist cable snaked downward, closer, ever closer to the steep slope. But it stopped short of the ground.

"That's all! We're thirty feet short!"

"Haul it in then. Dutch will

have to go in on foot."

Cpl Dutch Franks, para rescue, gathered his equipment. Medical kit, radio, rope. Then while the pilot hovered with the nose wheel touching a steep, cleared slope below the crash, he and an RCMP constable who was aboard scampered out the door and headed up the hill.

Meanwhile the chopper picked up six loggers who had been watching from a nearby road and lifted them to the same spot. They followed Dutch, taking with them a stretcher and a sleeping bag. The helicopter returned to the beach.

In sixteen minutes Dutch had travelled the rough, uphill, log-strewn quarter of a mile to the crash site. He found the pilot not only alive, but coherent!

He set to work. First, injuries. Just one bad cut and several ripe bruises. But the left ankle is broken.

Bandage that gash. Then a turn or two around the head and a splint on the leg. Nothing fancy. They can fix him up in Tofino.

Here comes somebody else. "Ahl! You've got a sleeping bag. Good! Let's got him covered up. He's freezing!"

As Dutch got the injured pilot into the sleeping bag and lashed onto the stretcher his mind searched for the best way to get the victim across the rocky gully they had to cross to get him down.

When he had the answer he turned. To ask the loggers to help him rig it. His mouth opened in amazement. The loggers, led by high rigger Don Sharp had a simple but effective skyline already rigged.

They had strung a line between two trees with simple but effective rope loops to support the stretcher and slide along the skyline. One end of the skyline was wrapped around a tree and two men held the loose end.

The stretcher was suspended from the line by the loops and pushed across. When it got too high to be reached from below, the two men on the end paid out slack and the skyline dropped. What could have been an impossible obstacle was crossed in a few moments.

Once across there was nothing left but an hour or more of hard work. Stumbling over roots, struggling over logs and down rock faces, slapped by boughs, they fought their way down, taking care to jar the patient as little as possible.

"Gotta keep moving! It'll soon be dark!" Some went ahead to scout the route and slash out the worst of the branches. The rest took turns humping the heavy, awkward load down the nearly impossible slope.

"Easy now! Watch that branch!

CAMPBELL AND CREW TO THE RESCUE... AGAIN



Keep him level!" Then, up ahead, the gloom lessened. "We're almost there! Just a little longer, boys."

Soon they broke out into the slash, still steep, still treacherous, but at least free of trees. Dutch spoke to the chopper by radio. "We've got to get down another hundred yards before you can pick up up."

Down a rough creek bed, over a small waterfall, around stumps over rocks. And always the effort to spare the patient.

Then at last they were there.

"Okay, come on in. We're all set!"

Once again the nose wheel of the huge, flailing helicopter rested on the slope. In short seconds the injured pilot, the mountie, the loggers and an elated Dutch Franks were in the machine.

It whirled upward. "Good job, Dutch. Less than two hours from when we dropped you off. Forty-five more minutes and it would have been dark!"

Ten minutes later the helicopter was in Tofino and the rescued pilot was on his way to the hospital.

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Demon Doins

The Quinsam Lake Survival Camp is fast becoming a popular resort area for 407 crews during the fall semester. Thus far, crews 5 and 6 have sallied forth into the wilderness to strive against the perils of nature.

W/C Smaile initiated the season two weekends ago by accompanying a spiny bunch from crew 6, most of whom ended up thoroughly drenched and chilled during a week of unceasing rain. The first mishap occurred when one of the crew members, after miles of exhaustive tramping over the underbrush and under the overbrush, lost his balance and stumbled into the creek. The second calamity arose about 2 a.m. on the second evening when F/O Kruger, with an exceptionally keen perception spotted a wild boat attacking one of the tents. To the relief of those who were soundly sleeping therein he managed to get off two quick bursts on the shotgun, missing the boat completely, but, awakening the whole camp.

Last weekend crew 5 took to the woods and nearly managed to rid themselves of one of their more infamous crew members. It seems that at the witching hour of twelve o'clock this fellow wandered from camp dur-

ing a rain storm. He refused to return until 6 a.m. the next morning with teeth chattering and clothes dripping. Someone suggested that he might have been baying at the moon, but no moon was visible that night. The next day a certain navigator was accidentally dropping his fishing tackle over the side of the catamaran, while a self appointed cook back at the cabin was mistakenly ruining the steaks to make a stew. It's all in good fun. The "Fastest Gun in the West" has returned from the land of Kangaroos and Kowala bears, after a two week maritime course with the RAAF. With mixed feelings, F/L Des Mayne is packing his flying clothes away and taking up the vacancy left by F/L Merv Miller as Senior Controller.

The most senior squadron member has received his packing orders. F/L Alex MacKinnon, a six year veteran with 407, is all smiles since he received notice of his posting to MARPAC Headquarters at Esquimalt.

Crew 7 has a recent arrival in Sgt. Bob Lynch. Bob has arrived from the Argus on the east coast to take over the throttles of a Neptune. Rumor of the Week: Are Locke's bachelor days really numbered?

Sea Sparrow Hatched

Approval has been given to develop and procure an all-weather, close range, surface-to-air missile system for the Royal Canadian Navy.

The system, called the Canadian Sea Sparrow, will be fitted in the four new helicopter destroyers and two new operational support ships to provide an effective defence against air attacks. Total costs for design, prototype construction, system production and initial missile procurement will be \$25,700,000 which has been provided for in the integrated defence program.

The system will use the Sparrow III missile employed by the United States Navy, coupled with a fire control system designed in the Netherlands and a launcher which will be uniquely Canadian. The missile does not carry a nuclear warhead.

The system is the culmination of a year's study by the Navy and civilian contractors working under RCN direction. The development program will start by the end of this year, when plans call for the awarding of a contract to a Canadian firm. A large portion of the entire system will also be produced in Canada.

The first of the four new helicopter destroyers scheduled for delivery late in 1970 and the program will be completed in 1972. Construction of the two operational support ships is scheduled for completion by late 1969.

Those Chronic, Sonic Booms

A mock air battle 30,000 feet above Western Washington and B.C. took place Thursday evening September 22 as part of an Air Defence exercise conducted by Western NORAD regional headquarters, Hamilton Air Force Base, California.

The invasion force consisted of B-52 intercontinental bombers of Strategic Air Command, plus

Recruiting Up, Strength Down

Armed Forces recruiting for the first seven months of 1966 was up 2 per cent over the first seven months of 1965. The total number of recruits for the period 1 Jan to 31 July 1966 was 5,036 as compared with 4,932 for the corresponding period last year.

B-57 bombers and T-33 jet trainers of the RCAF.

Rising to intercept the "invaders" were CF-101 Voodoos (shown below) from Canadian Forces Base, Comox, F-106 Delta Darts from McChord Field, Wash., and F-102 Delta Daggers from the U. S. Air National Guard at Spokane.



IT MAY TAKE A WHILE, BUT...

The RCAF Rescue Co-ordination Centre reduced the number of aircraft reported missing but never found in B.C. to 85 yesterday, when they were informed of an aircraft wreckage located near Ucluelet by a Vancouver Island logger.

Normally when an aircraft wreckage is found, RCAF officials tag the fuselage and record the aircraft numbers to prevent unnecessary searches for aircraft already found as often times over the years more than one person stumbles across a wreckage already reported.

The aircraft found earlier this week, however, was one that had never been reported previously. A ground party from 121 KU

Squadron at Canadian Forces Base Comox investigated the crash and from the parts remaining determined the aircraft type to be a World War II Boeing Bolingbroke.

Human remains were found in the wreckage along with a decayed wallet. The wallet, however, contained only two well-preserved tickets for the North Vancouver ferry and an obliterated and unreadable Ontario driver's license.

On checking the records of missing aircraft never located in the B.C. area, Rescue Co-ordination officials found that five Bolingbrokes were listed as missing in the early '40's.

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F/L DANIEL M. CAMPBELL receives the B.C. Aviation Council Award, the Back and Bevington Trophy, from Mr. Dennis H. Back of the Council. The trophy was presented to F/L Campbell at a recent presentation at the annual meeting of the council at Harrison Hot Springs. It is presented to the person who has contributed the most to air safety for the year. The Totem Times is also considering an award for F/L Campbell. He has enabled them to fill all sorts of space with very little thought. Thanks, Dan.



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407 Airman Of The Month

Cpl. Mike McPhee has been doing an outstanding job with 407 Squadron for the past four years. He originally arrived at Comox as part of 409 Squadron but was transferred to 407 Repair. He then worked in 407 Engine Bay, Servicing, and is now employed in Stats and Mods in Log Control.

During the past four years Mike has coached Pee Wee Baseball in the community and will be giving a helping hand with Pee Wee Hockey when the season opens this year. Because of his

excellent record with the Squadron and his active participation in junior sports Mike has been awarded Airman of the Month. Cpl. McPhee joined the RCAF in 1950 and has served for the past 16 years at Aylmer, Borden Centralia, 2 Wing, and Comox. Mike is a keen hunter and fisherman and finds the Comox area an ideal spot for outdoor activities.

For his hard and diligent work with the children of our community Mike is given a show of appreciation from the Squadron.

INTERTRAIN

An additional 37 officer cadets from three Commonwealth countries will begin a year's training in Canada this month. Twenty are from Tanzania, 15 from Malaysia and two from Zambia.

Their arrival will bring to about 200 the number of servicemen from foreign countries training in Canada under various military assistance programs. The 37 officer cadets will take instruction at the school of infantry at Canadian Forces Base Borden.

Tanzania has the largest representation of servicemen taking courses in Canada. In addition to the 20 new officer cadets, 25 airmen are now beginning an aircraft technicians course at Borden, joining 72 of their countrymen. Since 1964, 8 Tanzanian pilots have graduated from RCAF schools and 12 are now receiving advanced flying training at CFB Portage La Prairie. A group of 15 Tanzanians are attending officers candidate school in Esquimalt prior to commencing basic pilot training at CFB Borden.

Twelve of 16 Malaysian pilots on advanced flying training in Manitoba received their wings earlier this month and four Malaysians are now taking pure jet training at CFB Cimli.

Twenty-four Malaysian airmen will begin aircraft technician training next November at base Moose Jaw. Since 1964, seven Malaysian officer cadets have

graduated from the infantry school at Canadian Forces Base Borden, Ont.

Other countries receiving military training assistance from Canada are Jamaica, Nigeria and Ghana. Four Jamaican airmen are attending an aircraft technicians course at base Borden.

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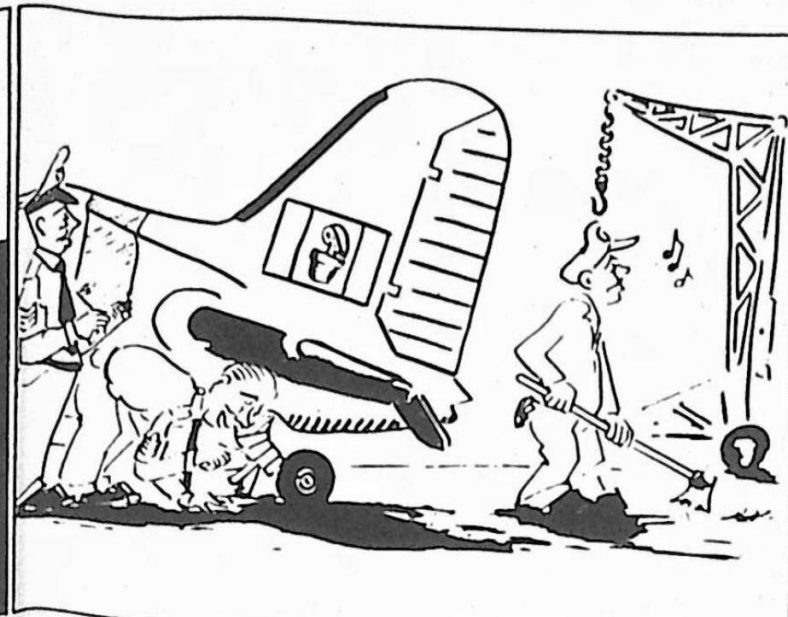
THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF 121

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PRIME SEARCH BIRD

Seek And Ye Shall Find -

Different professional people search for different things. A critic searches for something to criticize, a scientist for a discovery, a doctor for a cure, but each as a specific aim.

The men of 121 KU search for lost persons; whether they are lost as a result of an aircraft losing its way through the mountains, a boat overturning, or just wandering off in unfamiliar bush.

Many people have asked: "How is a search brought about and carried out?" First, the Rescue Co-ordination Center, whose job it is to organize, control, and co-ordinate all searches whether marine, ground or air, is advised of all information and details available. Let us say, for example, we are searching for a downed aircraft. In this case the Rescue Co-ordination Center is advised of the original route of the aircraft taken from the flight plan, the color and description of the aircraft, the number of people on board, the type of survival and radio equipment carried on board the aircraft, and the weather at the time of disappearance of the aircraft.

After this information is gathered, the organization of the search begins. A Searchmaster and his assistant are appointed. It is their job to carry out the search using the men and equipment available to the best advantage, and to liaise with the Rescue Co-ordination Center.

Next, the search headquarters and base of operations is set up taking into account the type and number of aircraft being used for the search. A suitable base of operations must have a reasonable landing strip, with fuel and communication facilities. Also there must be accommodations available for the personnel involved.

When the base of operations has been established, the search area is plotted on a map. The search area is usually divided into a "Probability Area"; the area in which the aircraft should be according to its flight plan and its last known communication report. Probability Areas are divided into three categories

and given a number according to their priority for search. These are plotted on the map and then the "Possibility Area" being that area outside which an aircraft's endurance would not permit it to be - is then plotted on the map.

It is then decided what type of search to carry out: A "Track Search" which is simply a search along the original track or route as given in the flight plan; a "Creeping Line Search" search in which an aircraft sweeps an area along parallel tracks and using a visibility distance decided by the searchmaster; a "Square" or "Expanding Square" search where an aircraft searches in an expanding square pattern over a given area; a "Parallel Sweep" search where aircraft sweep an area in parallel tracks using a visibility distance decided by the searchmaster; a "Contour Search" used in mountains and valley where they are searched at 500 ft. intervals starting at hilltop level.

When the type of search is decided on, aircraft are dispatched to different areas to carry out the search. At the end of each day, the areas searched are plotted on the map and labeled with the type of search carried out in that area. The more probable areas are searched up to four or five times. When the downed aircraft is found, positive identification made and survivors rescued, (rescue techniques to follow in a later issue), the search is terminated and 121 KU returns to Comox, a tired but happy group of men who know they have carried out their assignments to the best of their ability.

Not all searches end happily and it is on occasions like these that 121 KU crews come home knowing they have done their best, but not satisfied because they have not found the object of their search, or, having found it there were no survivors.

121 KU carries out their searches using their one Dakota, three Albatross and two CH 113 Helicopters, with the best utilization

possible. They are also free to call upon civil authorities for aid if necessary using civilian aircraft, boats and citizens to assist in the achievement of their goal.

It is hoped that this article has given our readers a look into the role and operation of 121 KU. The chief role is to SEARCH for and RESCUE all persons in need of our assistance.

A Saunter Through The Sweatshop

By ART COLLINS

Sometimes the groundcrew feel overshadowed by the aircrew. The pilot gets all the glory, he gets to go on jammy trips, he doesn't have to work, and he gets more money.

How then must some of the 121 people in the integrated shops feel. Not only do they get no glory, they rarely see the sun! The SE section, the Refinishing section and Base Workshops are among the places where you'll find people from 409, 407 and 121 working in harmony.

Take CPL Al Hanis and LACs Roger Soucy, Jerry Roy and Rolfe Abbots. They are in Workshops and they're members of 121. But they don't always work on 121 aircraft, and the work done for 121 is not always done by them. Yet somehow they overcome their divided allegiance and turn out first class work. So how about the salute to Al and Jerry and Roger and Rolfe and to the others in workshops who back them up so well.

Effects of the forthcoming raise are already visible in 121. LACs Sam Fatt, Ken Pentland and Phil Barnard and Cpl Dick Bruce are regular smokers now of large, expensive cigars. No doubt they've been bought on credit, but isn't it nice that servicemen have such confidence in the government!

F's Bob Stamm says he's fished on and off since August 1960 and never brought home an edible fish. Until a week ago Tuesday. He and some friends caught three coho, all over eight pounds, all at the same time, and they landed

all three. Then a short time later one of the party hooked a four pound jack spring that somehow tangled a seven pound coho in the line to which it was hooked. Both fish were landed. Altogether the group caught nine coho and two jacks in less than two hours.

There is some doubt about the value of 121's ground search team. Cpl Art Buckland puts it aptly. "Sgt. Bill Lewis and Cpl Don Burgess and John McCuaig are on that thing", he says, "and do you know where they do their workouts. In the Sleepy Hollow pool. Indoors! If they ever have to go outside they'll catch a cold!"

LAC Gerry Niklas of the Electrical section is back with us after a short tour on civvy street. He spent a couple of months working in Prince George and Campbell River and thinks now that the Air Force isn't so bad after all. Good to have you back, Gerry.

Another one who has come back to the fold is LAC Fred Beauchesne. Fred, who is a rigger, comes from Uplands but this is his second tour with 121. Welcome back, Fred.

LAC Dale Niedermaier is another new arrival. Dale is a refinisher and he came to us from Penhold via El Arish. Good to have you aboard, Dale.

And still they leave us! Cpl. George Fenwick is going to Goose Bay for what he hopes is a very short tour. LAC John Dawson is happily telling everyone about his transfer to 4 Wing.

And now we're even losing our civilian help. Mrs. Grandage, after a year and a half in our

Orderly Room, is leaving for a job downtown. Better pay probably, but how can she bear to leave such nice people as us? Cpl Moe Mousseau says, "It was slow in here before, but wait till you see it when Mrs. Grandage is gone!"

Of course there's one more reason why it might be slow in the Orderly Room from now on. Sgt. Bill Kirkham trundled a cartload of luggage into Servicing the other day, tossed it on a Dak and climbed aboard himself. No fireworks were let off and there was no band and THAT is a shame. Ol' Bill was surely the most regular passenger on the Vancouver run and this was the last time. Good luck on civvy street, Bill.

Sgt. John Muir thinks corporals hate him! "I've been in Servicing for six months," he says, "and when George Fenwick leaves I'll have lost my sixth fitter corporal. And to think that he wanted to get away from me so bad that he volunteered to go to Goose!"

LAC Doug Holcombe reports that the 121 flag football team is going to sweep the league. "Three times we've played," he chortles, "and three times we've clobbered the opposition. Maybe Dave Skrien oughta come over for a few tips."

And now for the sad ending. Cpl. Gerry McNutt is back in a cast. They had to shorten a tendon in his ankle, and after wrapping it in plaster (the ankle, not the tendon) they gave him twenty-eight days sick leave. Sorry about that, Gerry.

Retirement Party

On Thursday evening, 15 September the 121 KU Orderly Room staff and friends held a small but congenial gathering in the lounge of the Totem Inn to bid farewell to Sgt. Bill Kirkham, retiring after 25 years service. It was a pleasant evening of War Stories, displaying of old war wounds and speculation on pay raises, integration, and the interment of Kurt Myer.

After a warming speech that

brought tears to the eyes of the most hardened veterans, F/L Svendsen, 121's PADO presented Bill with a brief case and a personalized framed copy of the MARPAC organization Chart.

In his acceptance speech Bill said "too bad some of these flowery phrases couldn't have been included in my early R211's".

A toast was proposed to that thought and the party resumed.

Credit Union Notes

Are your children members? It used to be that only grown folks belonged to credit unions, had accounts at banks, and bought on credit at stores. Kids were sometimes encouraged to save in a "piggy bank" but that was about the extent of their money education.

We want you to know, though, that our credit union welcomes children as members! Wise use of money is becoming more important, and we believe money education and experience should start at an early age and then continue.

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We have found that children love to save for a specific goal...

maybe a new toy, a bicycle, a special dress. As they get experience in saving towards and reaching small goals they'll be willing to work towards the bigger, long term goals in later life.

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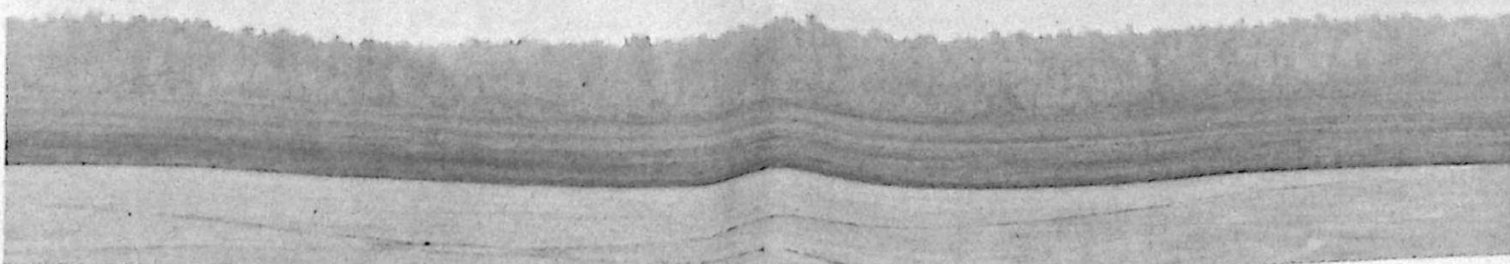
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GETTING UP IN THE WORLD

The Canadair CL-84 tilt wing V/STOL aircraft has successfully lifted a man in a simulated rescue operation.

The subject, C. R. Simmons, a Canadair manager, was hoisted approximately 40 feet into the cabin of the aircraft through the entry hatch.

Approximately one minute elapsed between the time the aircraft began to lower the rescue sling and the completion of the exercise with the subject inside the aircraft.

Photos show the aircraft remained in stable hover during the recovery.

Observers reported the sling assembly remained stable both during the lowering and lifting operations. Surface wind was variable up to ten knots. Simmons said the downwash flow and turbulence were quite acceptable as the aircraft approached the overhead position

and during the recovery. He wore no special protective clothing for the exercise.

W. S. Longhurst, Canadair's chief test pilot, who was at the controls, said there was no appreciable change in trim. "Lifting a weight in this fashion poses no control or stability problem," he said.



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Unique Opportunities

As our talented cartoonist, Cpl. LG McCaffrey, aptly depicts in this week's cartoon, there is more than just money in a serviceman's life. Pride, tradition and esprit d'corps combine to give a serviceman a deeper sense of identity with his job than is possible anywhere else. A service career is not just a job. It is, far more than in other fields, a way of life which demands constant dedication and much sacrifice.

Servicemen give this dedication and make this sacrifice because they are conscious of belonging to an identifiable group. They have pride of uniform, and years of tradition to back them up. The sense of pride in the organization is in a very real sense what makes that organization work.

That is why it is important that the proposed integration of the three services proceed at full speed. It is obvious to all but the most obtuse that integration of the forces is here to stay. This means that a lot of the old landmarks will disappear. Old traditions will be scrapped. A way of life will be changed.

And all this will have an enervating effect on the services unless new landmarks and new traditions take their place. There is no reason why new uniforms cannot be as acceptable as the old. There is no reason why new organizational structures cannot inspire as much loyalty as the old.

It can be argued that the present structure has the virtue of working, but it hasn't really been tested in a great many years. Warfare has changed since 1945, and so has Canada's foreign policy. The new structure is designed to reflect these changes.

It can also be argued that nobody ever did it this way before, but this argument is raised every time someone comes up with a new idea. A fine state our air force would be in if Orville Wright had listened to those who said that it had never been done before.

The truth is that Canada's armed forces needs have changed from what they were, and a new force is necessary to meet these needs. But this does not mean, as so many people seem to think, the destruction of the present services. It merely means their re-structuring, so that they are more responsive to those needs.

It will not in any way change the record of bravery and sacrifice that was built by Canadian servicemen in two world wars and several police actions. The tradition of service and dedication remains, and nothing will remove it. It is, indeed, the finest foundation any new force could have.

Instead of moaning about the death of the services, Canadian should welcome the birth of a new, more powerful force. A service engaged in building a force which will fit the present needs of their country are making a greater and greater contribution to the country than three services which are merely going through time-honoured motions.

Traditions, pride and esprit d'corps, if they are to mean anything must be solidly based on a record of achievement. The Canadian forces have to date established just such a proud record. Canadian servicemen are now being offered the chance to establish some more proud traditions. For present day servicemen it is a unique opportunity.

News Service Needed

In 1964 Canada embarked on an ambitious campaign to integrate its armed forces into one functional unit. The plan was to start at the top and work down, and this is what has happened. CFHQ has been set up to replace the headquarters of the three separate services, commands have been organized on a functional rather than service basis, and Canadian Forces bases have taken the place of stations, camps, and perhaps ships. So far, so good.

Despite this, the Canadian serviceman is troubled. No one has told him what is going to happen to him. What uniform will he be wearing? Where will he be serving? How will he compete with other personnel in similar trades from different services?

In addition to these unknowns many rumours, some of them based on press surmises which in turn were based on hints from "spokesmen," created doubt and uncertainty in the mind of the serviceman. It is true that one should not be influenced by rumour. It is almost equally true that one cannot avoid it if he lacks something better to go on.

And this is the crux of the entire matter. Canadian servicemen receive their news of what is happening in the armed forces through the national press. (Before you ask why the TOTEM TIMES doesn't do something about it, let us point out that no one tells the TIMES anything, either.) Sometimes the information which is received is quite factual, and other times it is not, based as it often is on speculation. It all goes to create uncertainty, and to lower morale.

It is perhaps time that the formation of a Canadian Forces news service was considered. It will be argued that this is a most unusual step, but then, these are most unusual times. It will also be argued that no such news service could prevent press speculation, and this is quite true. It could however go a long way toward dispelling the sometimes false impressions which result from such speculation.

As far as the Canadian serviceman is concerned, conditions will be unsettled and uncertain for some time to come. The career implications of integrations or unification will, until they are fully known, create great unease, as will many factors of the programme.

One of the most valuable attributes of any military service is high morale. In fact, it may be argued that any service which doesn't possess it won't go very far. High morale stems in part from everyone in the outfit knowing what is going on, and where he fits in. It does not result from everyone groping around in the dark.

For this reason we should consider the formation of a Canadian Forces news service which would, on a weekly basis, bring the Canadian serviceman up to date on the policies which will affect him.

It might cost a bit, but it would be a lot cheaper than training replacements for those who can't stand not knowing where they stand.

CAP 90 On The Way Out

Unification of the three services will probably sound the death knell for that old comic book, CAP 90, fondly referred to as the drill manual. It will undoubtedly join QR (air) AFAO's and AFRO's on that great bookshelf up yonder and it is wondered how many will mourn its demise.

The author of the manual will go down in history as one of the greatest optimists of all time, imbued as he is with the idea that all airmen would gladly give their eyeteeth, along with their forthcoming raise, for a chance to mince about on parade.

In the eyes of this ingenious author, a parade square full of keen, alert airmen will overwhelm the kindly old SWO with enthusiasm when he calls for a marker, or a group of them. What normally happens, of course, is that the kindly old SWO has to scowl fiercely to frighten markers out from their positions behind blades of grass.

Once the markers have been nailed into position, to preclude the possibility of them remembering that the parade they were supposed to be on was the sick parade, the genial SWO has to fall in the rest of the parade. The book suggests three ranks. The airmen believe in one rank; the centre rank, and all of them attempt to fall in it. Only the castiest veterans survive this manoeuvre, and the weak and infirm are relegated to the front and rear ranks, the better to draw friendly remarks about haircuts from the reviewing officer.

This fact can be checked on any parade by noting the number of CDs in the centre rank, and the relative scarcity of them elsewhere. After the centre rank has been divided into three, so that there can be a front and a rear rank, the book suggests sizing by flights, a manoeuvre which is supposed to result in tall people on each end of the rank and pygmies in the middle. This is generally what happens too, except that during this manoeuvre some people take advantage of the confusion to try to get into the centre rank again.

This done, the parade is then ready to be handed over to the officers, who have been impatiently pawing the earth at the sidelines for quite a while. Among the officers, as among the men, vying for position takes place and that is why you always see brand new pilot officers acting as flight commanders and adj's and such, while crusty, grizzled old flight looseys fill the important positions of supernumerary officers. It gives the old fellows a chance to think back on the days when they were young and had the opportunity to make an entire squadron fall flat on its face by giving, on the wrong foot, the command to halt.

Soon everyone is drawn up to fever pitch anticipating the arrival of the reviewing officer. When he arrives, the parade commander whizzes up and requests: "Permission to carry on with the parade, sir." Then, there is that horrible pause when everyone wonders just what the parade commander would do if the reviewing officer said: "No". It is a point that the author of the book never seems to have considered.

The reviewing officer is then invited to inspect the parade, and this too is seldom refused. During the wait to be inspected, things happen. The crease falls out of your uniform onto your shoes, dulling the shine. The starch drips out of your collar onto your tie, causing it to take a right-angled bend just above the second button. And you start to sweat pure beet juice, while your hair grows so fast you can hear it covering your ears.

Despite this, the inspection progresses and soon the reviewing officer is safely back on the grandstand. It is now time for that showy manoeuvre called: March Past in Line. What it normally looks like is called March Past in Conga Line, but we won't go into that. Suffice it to say that all those people get going the same way the same day, and no one gets trampled too badly, except perhaps for the odd short-legged flight commander who happens to hold his long-legged flight at "Eyes Right" for too long.

The parade ends with an advance in review order, or disorder, when everyone charges the dais and stumbles to a halt with a fancy little two-step caused by a squadron commander not knowing which foot to give the halt on, and hence giving it between paces.

It is saddening indeed to think of all this pomp and pageantry disappearing, to be replaced by a characterless new form of military choreography. But, when you stop to think about it, CAP 90 is a pretty dull, characterless publication, and it is undoubtedly the spirit in which its provisions were executed that made it so great. That spirit will still exist, so reviewing officers had better beware.

It is to be hoped though that the author of the new manual will give some consideration to the question: "What to do when the reviewing officer says, 'No'".



Books in Review

THE DONKEYS By Alan Clark
 184pp Award Books New York City.

This is the story of the British army during the year 1915 on the western front in World War I. The title is based on a conversational exchange which goes like this: Ludendorff: "The English soldiers fight like lions." Hoffman: "True, but don't we know that they are lions led by donkeys."

In the foreword, Major George Fielding Elliot says: "This is a terrible book—a truly frightening book."

"It is a book about something that in its way is worse than even the awesome violence of nuclear weapons: The power of human error to go on repeating itself because wrong-minded men have made an initial mistake become determined to prove they were not mistaken at all."

It is the story of the destruction of the old professional army of the United Kingdom, and it makes for almost nauseating reading. Generals, driven more by the dictates of professional jealousy than by the dictates of strategy or military necessity time and time again asked walls of human beings to stand up against the machine gun. On every occasion the machine gun won, and in the end the old army was destroyed.

The destruction was made possible by the English command's stubborn insistence that next time, given more men and more shells, they would break through. It was, apparently, the only theory they ever entertained. They were always ready to attack, regardless of loss, even if loss was to be the only result.

The story of the battle of Loos makes Mr. Clark's point. He records: "Punctually at eleven o'clock the British rose out of the ground. Peering across the shelling valley of rank grass, slag and white chalk craters, the German lookouts could see column after column moving up in close

formation at the crest of Lone Tree ridge, the officers on horseback, marshalling successive battalions as they rose out of the old German trenches and formed up in a dense mass..."

"The diary of the 15th (German) Reserve Regiment records that: 'Ten columns of extended line could be clearly distinguished, each one estimated at more than a thousand men, and offering such a target as had never been seen before, or even thought possible. Never had the machine-guns such straightforward work to do nor done so effectively. They traversed to and fro along the enemy's ranks unceasingly. The men stood on the fire-steps, some even on the parapets, and fired triumphantly (jauchend) into the mass of men advancing across the open grassland. As the entire field of fire was covered with the enemy's infantry the effect was devastating and they could be seen all literally in hundreds.'"

Fall in the hundreds they did. Twelve battalions, totalling almost ten thousand men started the attack. When the battle had ended three and one half hours later, 8,200 of them were casualties. The Germans suffered no casualties at all.

How was this sort of thing possible? As a partial explanation for this type of butchery Mr. Clark quotes an April 14, 1915 Sir Douglas Haig memorandum to the War Council which stated: "The machine gun is a much overrated weapon and two per battalion is more than sufficient."

Small wonder, then, that troops were again and again given impossible tasks; tasks which were doomed to failure despite incredible bravery.

The contrast between the brave soldiers and the imbecility displayed by the General Staff of the period is terrifying. The entire book is terrifying. But is it worth reading.

The Winds of Change

Canadian servicemen, long accustomed to receiving their service news third hand from dubious sources received a welcome change today when they found out at the same time as the general public, just what their working conditions would be for the next few years.

The department went to a great deal of trouble to ensure that the news would get to the service first, and that it would get there straight. Briefing teams spread across the country to get the message through loud and clear.

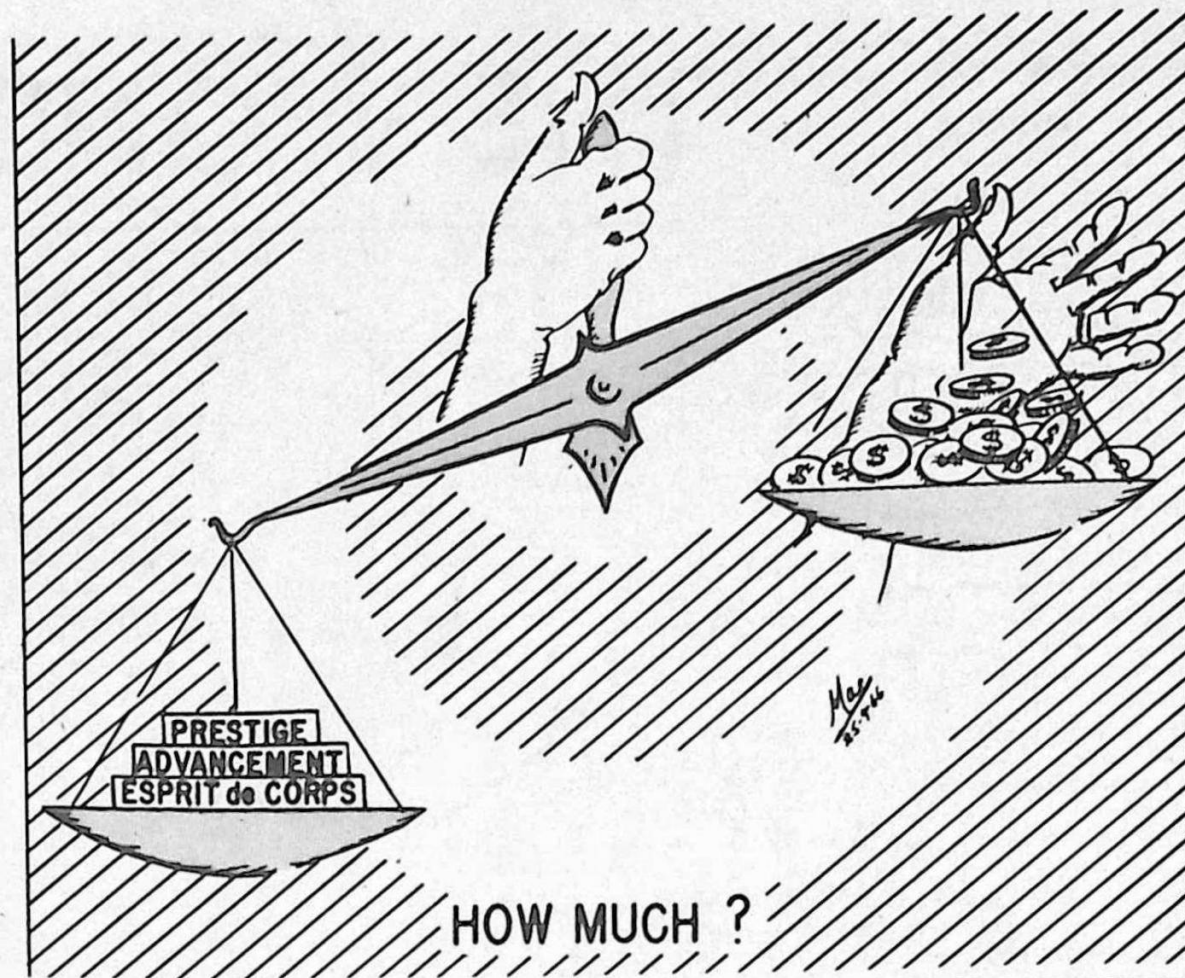
The same concern for the serviceman and his opinions which went into the briefings has also gone into the new pay and trade structures. Gone are the bewildering varieties of allowances and whatnot. In their place there is now one salary, payable to all in that payfield. The trade structure has been completely revised, along the lines suggested by servicemen themselves.

Single officers and airmen have special reason to be pleased with the new set-up. No longer will they be at an economic disadvantage, with their ball-and-chain comrades. From now on they will draw the same pay as the married men, subject to only the variation in income tax.

Nor will they have to spend their lives moldering in musty barrack blocks, overseen by a puritanical SWO. From now on single personnel can live downtown, an arrangement which is long-overdue.

Navigators and radio officers, who have been spring-loaded to the automatic snarl position since the pilots got that walloping raise last spring can now smile. While they will not be quite as affluent as pilots, they can now stop begging.

All in all, the department has unveiled an attractive package which should put it in a vastly more competitive position in the labour market than has up to now been the case. The winds of change are blowing through the departments personnel policies, and nobody will regret it.



Poet's Corner

If I Had a Hammer

If I had a hammer,
 I'd hammer in the morning
 I'd hammer in the morning,
 And then I would stop.
 I'd hammer for my union, for my favourite union,
 For I've learned about the formidable powers
 Of the closed shop.

If I had a chisel,
 I'd chisel in the morning,
 I'd chisel in the morning,
 And then I would stop.
 I'd chisel out a contract, I'd chisel out an accord,
 I'd chisel out a week of work the length of which
 Would put me on top.

If I had a nail punch
 I'd punch it in the morning.
 I'd punch it in the morning
 And then I would stop.
 I'd punch out a pay raise, for ever shorter work days
 A raise for days the length of which
 Would show a sharp drop.

Well I got a hammer
 And I got a chisel
 And I got a nail punch,
 To do what I like.
 So I'll take my hammer
 And I'll take my chisel
 And I'll work as a carpenter to build me a sign
 That says, "OUT ON STRIKE."

The Tie That Binds

In the last issue of the Totem Times an editorial appeared entitled "Silly Season Still With Us", in which the writer pokes holes in the notion that the imminent pay raise is a bribe to keep the "average serviceman" in the new, integrated service.

The arguments put forward, and the ultimate point of the editorial left little with which to disagree.

Taking advantage of the unusual editorial latitude available to Totem Times staff writers, however, this writer feels that after all has been said and done by way of analysing the serviceman's motives for remaining in the service, the picture is still incomplete.

Many of our previous editorials have pointed out several reasons for the serviceman's continuing loyalty in the face of the usual difficulties of service life. It is the opinion of this writer that there is yet another dimension of analysis that has been left untouched.

If it be said that these considerations are not important and that we ought to get on with the job and make less noise about the whole business, then this writer says you are only half right. Get on with the job, surely, but keep in mind that in the armed forces morale is all important,

and morale is a direct function of motivation. It is important, then, to talk about motives. The staff of the Totem Times has been doing this and in this effort it is necessary to examine the whole picture.

A point is reached in such discussions where the obvious and concrete considerations have all been stated to the best of our ability. But does the Whole equal the sum of the parts? Does job security, pay, comradeship, patriotism, and so on, all lumped together, explain why a bright electronics technician remains in the service as an LAC for seven or ten years when the pastures frequently appear so green on civvy street? The cynical and the bitter doubtless have ready answers for such a question but their answers are not, and must not, be valid or the whole lot of us have no self respect.

This writer is not prepared to say what the bond is that keeps a man loyal to his service. To try would be to appear maudlin and corn-filled, and anyway, he doesn't know. But any reader been asked why he is a member of the peacetime service, and has listed off a series of "reasons", and when he has finished, felt that he hasn't fully explained himself? No doubt.

Fire Prevention Week strikes again

Once again fire prevention week has snuck up and hit us right betwixt the whiskers, and across the country the cry of the fire marshal will be heard, urging people to put out that match before they light it.

Smokers will be roasted, in many cases before they touch lighter to butt, and boy scouts with two sticks will be looked at askance. Ghoully stories, describing a final agonies of those who relaxed their vigilance for a moment will hit every magazine in the land, with the possible exception of the B.C. Lions program, which is already a pretty sad story.

Smokey Bear will roar. Spotty the Firedog will bark about something other than the lack of fire hydrants. Owners of backyard barbecues will find themselves looking into the muzzle of some of the biggest firehoses on record whilst they cremate their.

I was going to say steaks, but at today's prices nobody can afford them. . . horseburgers. It will be a trying time indeed. And it is necessary because no one listened to the firefighters last year, or the year before. Every year they convey the message that fire can kill, and every year some idiot goes out and proves it. Let's change things this year. Let's listen to them for a change. Then maybe we won't need Fire Prevention Week next year.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Editor,
 Totem Times.

Dear Sir:
 I am directed, by higher authority, to make a comment on your editorial in the Totem Times, entitled: The "Price of Service." (Quotation marks mine.)

At the outset, let me, on behalf of the authorities, congratulate you, of course, your staff, on producing an otherwise fine paper. The fact, and I hesitate to use the word, remains: several rights do not obscure a wrong, if I may be permitted to paraphrase an old adage, as it were.

The point is, if I may be so bold, that we anonymous spokesmen see a minimum of honor, or justice for that matter, in such an unwarranted allegation. Namely, that a member of the Society of Official and/or Unnamed Spokesmen was, in fact, speaking out of turn in attacking a distinguished Admiral while concealing himself behind a veil of anonymity.

On behalf of the society, I should like to point out that it is not easy to find men who will turn aside from a life of fame and public adulation in favor of serving as an unnamed reliable source or an anonymous official spokesman. Such unpleasant suggestions as yours, replete with all manner of dark innuendo, do nothing to enhance our already difficult occupation.

In conclusion, may I further make a comment of my own. Damn the lot of you!

Signed:
 Mr. Anon A. Mous,
 Secretary, Society
 of Official and/or
 unnamed Spokesmen,
 Ottawa, Ontario.

The Old Dinosaurs

Once upon a very long time ago, there were two dinosaurs. They started out as small dinosaurs, as dinosaurs will, and in the beginning they didn't know one another.

The years passed, and they grew older and bigger. Occasionally their paths crossed, but normally they stayed in different fields. On the occasions when they did meet, there was a slight, but detectable, animosity.

More years passed. The two dinosaurs continued growing, until they were the biggest dinosaurs in the whole country. As they grew, they roamed farther and farther, and their paths crossed more and more often. The faint hostility of their youth grew into hatred. Finally, each dinosaur decided that he must destroy the other.

And so they set to it. But both dinosaurs were very wily and very tough. Their feud went on for years with neither able to finish the other. Their battles were tremendous to behold. The entire country shook with the violence of their encounters.

There were no scribes in those days, and there is no record of which, if either of them, eventually triumphed. For all we know, they might have destroyed one another. But archeologists have been able to tell us one thing. All those dinosaurs stromping around sure didn't do the country any good.

Hunting for birds in accordance with the B.C. Game laws is permitted to in certain areas of the base subject to restrictions. This privilege is open to members of the Base Rod and Gun Club. Applications and special vehicle permits can be obtained at the guardhouse with a map of the hunting areas when a Rod and Gun membership, firearms, and hunting licenses are produced.

Comox Valley Overture Concerts

The campaign for the Comox Valley Overture Concerts is now in full swing. This Concert series, which is in its 12th year, brings to the district well-known, professional artists and groups.

Some guests have been Maureen Forrester, Canada's brilliant contralto; Ronald Turin, winner of the Queen Elizabeth of Belgium award, an outstanding pianist; one of the foremost violinists in the world, who went straight from his engagement in Courtenay to a recital in Carnegie Hall; the Vancouver Symphony; the National Ballet of Canada; the Canadian Opera Company - the list can go on impressively.

Upon the number of members depends the number and excellence of the concerts. All monies (with the exception of hall rental and such items) go to the artists. Therefore, the Executive Committee of the Concerts must know in advance of engagements how much money is available. Memberships are for the entire series and no single tickets are sold at the door. A minimum of three concerts is guaranteed; there have never been less than four.

Three memberships are available: Adults, \$8.00; students of any age \$4.00; family with any number of children \$20.00. Membership cards are transferable, and if a member has a house

guest he is welcome to bring that house guest.

The general membership campaign closes on October 1. Because of the timing of the publication of the Totem Times, the Executive Committee has extended the time limit to members of the forces to October 5. The Executive Committee hopes that many of the Airforce, as members of the community, will join the Concert Series, the only professional entertainment which our district has to offer.

If further information is desired please get in touch with: Comox Jewellers, 339-3113; Courtenay Drug Company, 334-2321; Mrs. Richard Wilson, 334-3557.

Kings in Their Castles

Sgts. Mess Notes
A retirement mess dinner was held during the evening of September 16 to pay retirement respects to 11 members leaving the service. The dinner was a scrumptious affair as usual and the quality of the refreshments generally rated high. Those retiring are; WO1 Johnny Giles, Sgt. Paris, FS Mitchell, Sgt. Ken Welte, Sgt. Bill Kirkum, Sgt. Bottoms, FS Cecil Vician, FS Laurie Rose, Sgt. Verrel, Sgt. Comar, Sgt. Vic Samuels and M/Sgt. Murph Maggioncalda. Called upon to make presentations on behalf of the Mess were respective Commanding Officers and Branch Heads. The Base Commander, R.S. Turnbull paid tribute to those leaving and gave a brief address on service loyalty and the much renowned pay raise. Sgt. John Drummond thanked the Commanding Officer on behalf of the Mess. A very competent 'piper' led the procession to the dining room area and added the military music necessary for those long marches. After the formal dinner, presentations were made in the lounge. Departure tributes were elegant and farewell acknowledgements by the retiring members were modest and sincere. It is quite obvious that large gaps are being left in the senior NCO rank structure and the retiring personalities will indeed be missed.

The Mess Golf Tournament was held on September 23 and proved to be a popular affair. There were 22 entries and good fellowship and humour prevailed throughout the day. Winners in the various categories were; 1st los gross - Sgt. Pete Blaine-77, 2nd low gross - FS Bob Mitchell - 78, 1st low net - Sgt. Verne Auld - 70, 2nd low net - M/Sgt. (Murph) Maggioncalda - 70, longest drive - Sgt. Norm Wright and FS Art Raiwet, closest to the pin - Sgt. Marshall, First hidden hole - WO2 Buchan, most honest golfer - Sgt. Bale. Other lesser prizes and crying towels were won by Sgt. Jerry Fisher, Sgt. Roberts and WO2 Ernie Davies. These latter gifts were donated by Tyee Cartage and much appreciated. Much of the success of the day can be

attributed to Jack Hopkins and Sgt. Trynchuk who worked diligently in co-ordinating the match and in organizing the overall programme. The Bar Officer also played a notable part in the proceedings.

The first combined bingo and dance of the Fall season was held on September 24 and was fairly well attended. Quite obviously, many of the old bingo players are still in our midst. The \$50.00 Jack-pot was won by Lorna Simon and wouldn't you know it, husband Si, not to be outdone won himself a prize as well. Mrs. Fox, wife of our Dental Corp associate won the "What's in your Purse" contest. I don't know what she was doing with that kind of an item in her purse but that's her business. We will not list all the winners but do congratulate them on their skill with the numbers game. Music for the affair was provided by the Trend Styles who played a popular brand of entertainment suitable for all ages. Even the old fellows were on their feet.

Curling commences on October 16. The Sgts' Mess has an energetic, optimistic team entered and we naturally root for them. Good luck, team!

A beer fest and combined bingo and dance is scheduled for the 15 Oct. and promises to be a sell out. We look for a good time and can advise that the Trend Styles have been re-engaged for this event. Will we see you there?

Well, this is about all for the nonce. Perhaps we should tell those who have been away the new Vice PMC is WO2 'Smokey' Pigden, WO2 Tom Buchan assumes the Chairmanship October 1. Other committee people as of the same date are; Sgt. Al Grey-Ass't Secretary, Sgt. Stuart Parkinson-Sports Member, Sgt. Art McKay - Entertainment, also Sgt. Jerry Sutherland to this latter committee. Sorry we haven't all the names of new committee-men as we understand there were others.

Sgts. Mess Wives club had their opening Fall meeting recently and are getting back in stride for an active season. We wish them every success.

COBOC CACAPHONY

When I say it is a pleasure to be back at Comox, I am, for once, quite sincere. A pity it is that those of us fortunate enough to live here tend to become very blasé about the cool comfortable climate we enjoy, and the uncrowded, unspoiled mountain grandeur at our disposal. During my travels this last month the gospel was readmitted to my bosom, and I, in the fashion of the prodigal son, returned to the fold of British Columbia worshippers.

The first locale we visited, and from a sociological point of view the most traumatic was Hawaii. North Americans are practically raised on this puerile pap about "Dreams come true in Blue Hawaii". Don't you believe it! Starting with Captain Cook and culminating in that world-wide phenomenon, the great American yokel-turned-tourist each succeeding wave of invaders has altered, and in my opinion, damaged the character of the islands. The original Polynesian natives had a highly developed culture, technically belonging to the New Stone Age, in that they used sharpened stone and flint weapons. Their political system had advanced to extent that by the time the white man arrived all seven major islands were united under one ruler. The first strangers, the explorers, were relatively innocuous, but they were followed soon by whaling ships, whose weary crews would put in in search of supplies and "recreation". By 1820

missionaries, mainly American protestants from New England were on the scene. In their Calvinistic bigotry they were very effective in stamping out its native culture and leaving in its place a set of foreign beliefs of which the natives had no understanding.

The next wave consisted of the greedy, efficient capitalists, first interested in sugar, and later in pineapples. By judicious use of irrigation and fertilizers these men were able to make productive much arid scrubland, but also they were not hesitant about manipulating the natives out of their land, and relegating them to reservations. By 1894 the captains of industry were so powerful that they were able to control the government, force the native monarch from the throne, and finally in 1898 bring about the annexation of the islands by the United States. As we can see the history of the islands has been turbulent, but the tourist brochures just gloss over this, whitewashing it. At present there are only a few hundred pure-blooded Hawaiians left, most of them being in a sort of ethnic zoo set up in isolation on a small remote island in the chain, with a few pandering to the tourists. The Hawaiians and their ways are looked upon with smiling indulgence, and are encouraged only as a source of revenue.

Honolulu is really a quite ordinary city, possessing no more

than its share of the out-of-the-ordinary, except for that one stretch of beach in the southeast corner, Waikiki. Here into a strip about two miles long and three blocks wide is concentrated the essence of commercial tourism. Although the beaches are used, they are not crowded. There are always throngs of people engaged in parading up and down the sidewalks instead, and at night in and out of the bars. It appears that after the initial splendour of the beach area and the thrill of anointing one's body with oils and offering it to the tropical sun has worn off, there is little else to do, and really there isn't. We rented a car and drove around the island, but that takes a day at the most. Oahu, the island on which Honolulu is located has an area of 604 square miles; about 20 miles by 30 miles. Much of this is allocated to agriculture and the military, and some is just plain wasteland. There are, however, on the windward, or rainy side strikingly lush and verdant rain forests on the mountainsides. A notable contrast is the arid brush of the leeward or dry side.

It has not been my idea to dissuade anybody from visiting Hawaii, but the tourist literature contains the most blatant falsehoods, and distortions. The Hawaiians like to refer to their domain as 'Paradise'. That name certainly is a slight exaggeration.

NEW OSSERS

A total of 569 Canadian youths who have achieved university entrance standards this fall have been selected to be officer cadets of the navy, army and air force under the regular officer training plan of the Department of National Defence.

Of these, 395 candidates are attending the three Canadian Services Colleges: 90 at Royal Military College, Kingston, Ont.; 130 at Royal Roads, Victoria, B.C., and 175 at College Militaire Royal de Saint-Jean, St. Jean, Que.

The other 174 sponsored candidates are attending civilian universities across Canada. Officer cadets are enrolled in the armed forces and provided with board, lodging and study material and paid a monthly allowance to meet incidental expenses during their college career.

They take military training during part of the normal summer holidays and must serve in the forces for three years after graduation as commissioned officers with a university degree.

The sprays that are sold for the extermination of insects and weeds can be a threat to human beings.

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Most parents are only too well aware that it takes a good deal more than brains for a boy or girl to go to college. That's why far-sighted mothers and fathers who want to give their children the best possible life plan far in advance for the rising costs of higher education.

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TWO HOOKS AND A LINE

First, a welcome to the new members. We hope you will take full advantage of the entertainment, social and sporting events that the club now offers.

This week I would like to describe in some detail the club operation and what to expect in the coming two weeks.

Has anyone noticed the new record selection on our Seeburg? Cpl. Mo Morrison reports that prior to this summer, no new records had been purchased for two years. Mo has taken on the job of bringing our selection up to date and has almost completed the chore. After three months of careful buying, there are still some empty slots and I'm sure Mo will be glad to use any constructive ideas you as members might have.

On Sunday the 18th friends of Cpl. MacIsaac gathered to bid him farewell as he is leaving us, bound for Marville France. Good luck to you and your family Mac.

Cpl. Don Clark and Cpl. Ben Beniot have volunteered to fill the two empty positions on the entertainment committee. Thank you gentlemen, this is the type of spirit we like to see.

Wallet-size entertainment cards for the month of October

are now available at the Bar. These are a handy, reference to activities in the club. For the coming month there are three dances scheduled. October 1st is a Bingo Dance featuring "The Trend Styles". The dance of the month on October 15th features a floor show. Entertaining will be: The Joy Woodrow Dancers who have received much acclaim throughout B.C., Ted Freeks the local master of the accordion, a talented Barber Shop Quartette, plus the one and only, our own lovable "Rejects" will be with us, let us just say to perform! Dance music will be provided by "The Ambassadors". This is the tremendous Navy Dance Band from Naden. By all means make this a must night out at the club. October 29th will be the Halloween dance, but more about that in the next issue of Totem Times.

Now to the lighter side of things. Sundays are fast becoming our get together days. Steaks are barbecued with all the trimmings for \$1.50 and let me mention that the boys cook a mean steak. Sing songs have been growing with great popularity so if you can eat, sing, hum, play a musical instrument or all of these then Sunday afternoons and evenings you'll never want to miss.

Moving on to sports activities. Cpl. Gerry Cook is looking for broomball players. It is his intention to promote an Inter Mess League. What a dandy game Gentlemen for many a laugh and of course nice blue bruises. Cribbage tournaments have commenced once again for the winter months, these being held every Wednesday evening.

WO1 JIM GILES is congratulated by Base Commander G/C RS Turnbull on the occasion of his retirement from the RCAF. Ten NCO's were also honored on the same occasion.

NEW DENTAL CONSULTANT

Dr. H. G. Bennett has been appointed Regional Dental Consultant for the Vancouver Island and Powell River area Health Units.

The Dental Consultant's main office, due to the expansion of the northern part of the Island and recent accessibility to Powell River, has been moved from Nanaimo in the Central Vancouver Island Health Unit to the headquarters of the Upper Island Health Unit in Courtenay.

Dr. Bennett is a native of Drumheller, Alberta and received his dental training at the University of Alberta in Edmonton. After being in practice for several years he joined the Alberta Department of Health and became Dental Officer for the Drumheller Health Unit.

Dr. Bennett underwent post-graduate training in dental public health at the University of Toronto and after obtaining his Diploma in Dental Public Health in 1964, returned to Alberta where he was working in school dental programs until his move to British Columbia in August of this year.

Dr. Bennett is married and has four children and is presently residing in Comox.

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Kamloops parley for Kiros

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It is expected that approximately 150 interested young people will gather from all over British Columbia for a meaningful weekend. The theme for this year is "Why We Can't Wait" which will centre around discussion on Christian responsibility in today's world as well as special interest discussion groups on current issues of the day and how the responsibility is related to these issues.

As well there will be a fabulous Western Style Breakfast, coffee-house and dance with the Anglican Young People who are also meeting in Kamloops on that weekend.

Any interested young people from throughout B.C. are cordially invited to attend

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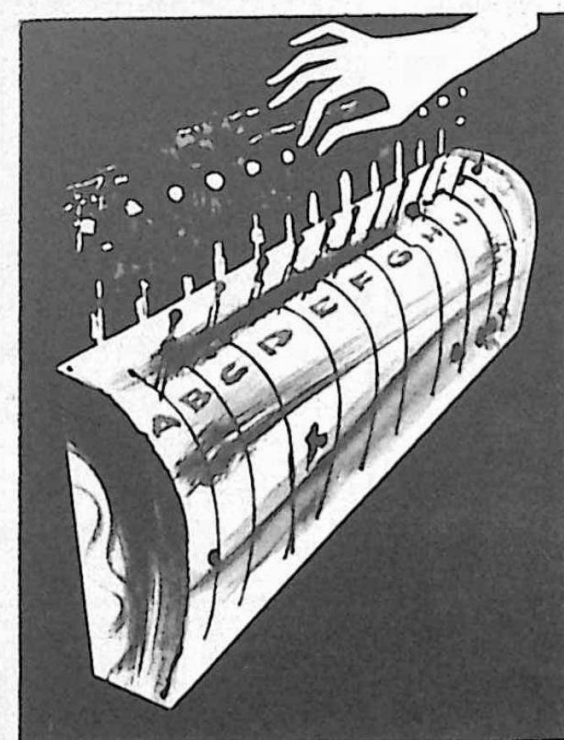
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Dependents Doings

The Mymarski Report is finished and it is now on its way to Ottawa. It was a lot of work and there are some people who deserve a big thank you. Thanks goes to S/L Popham, F/L Pomereau, Mrs. M. Latimore, the Photo section, to Mrs. Talbot, who spent many an hour typing and to all the people I phoned for year old information. I'm glad it is over and now perhaps we can get started on our winter programme.

Stay-at-home Bingo starts October 3. Cards can be purchased from Sqn. Canteens and the Sqn. Snack Bar. Hurry and buy your card...you may be the lucky winner.

A Ladies' League Bowling meeting will be held Friday, September 30, at 1330 hours in the Base Bowling Alleys. All ladies interested in bowling are urged to attend.

The Junior Mens (Age 16-19) Basketball team is practicing every Sunday night, 1800-2000 hrs, in the Base Recreation Centre. They have the makings of a terrific team. Best of Luck boys. I am now in the process of organizing basketball for all ages. Please check your Recreation Bulletin for dates and registration forms. Although the school gym is still being used for a class room, they are starting to put lines on the floor for various sports. Perhaps we can get the Women's Basketball House League going soon.

We have the facilities, time and eager young people to play basketball. So far, no one has come in to do so much for PMQ personnel. Here is a man with vitality, vigour and excellent leadership qualities. S/L Popham has been an inspiration to all leaders in the PMQ programme. We are sad to lose you as Mayor and do thank you for all your help and inspiration.

Now replacing S/L Popham we have S/L Pulham, a man who, fortunately for us has had previous experience in PMQ programme at Lancaster Park. Welcome to the PMQ mayraish. We have no doubt that we will be enjoying your past experience in assisting us in a difficult task.



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PAINT-IN-CONTEST — One of the many activities held during the closing day of the Summer Program. Second from left: Mrs. Fran Moston official Paint-in winner.

Snr. NCOs Wives

The Senior NCO's Wives Club had their first meeting of the new season, Sept. 12, 1966 at the Senior NCO's Lounge. A warm welcome was given to the many new members. Mrs. M. Wirt, re-elected president, presided over the meeting. Officers elected: Mrs. J. Hall, Vice-President; Mrs. J. Smith, President; Mrs. L. Sweeney, Secretary; Mrs. M. Parkinson, Treasurer.

The entertainment committee are welcome.

Van's Verbality

We are into Fall! My favourite season mind you but where or where did summer go? Wasn't it John Kents who wrote, "Shed no tear! O shed no tear! The flower will bloom another year".

Last week I saw a young teen boy gather up a wounded bird and take it somewhere for repair. Underneath the veneer of brave and independence there was still the tender, understanding heart of a boy. I was proud of him and couldn't help think of the words of Macbeth, "I dare do all that may become a man; who dares do more is none".

I jumped off the street quickly yesterday to avoid being brushed by a passing vehicle. It wasn't a teenager either but an older fellow. Hope he was only checking my agility and not carrying on some vendetta. I took the license number so if he doesn't get me the next time, I'll know who it was that tried.

My wife has taken up knitting again. Little things for the grandchildren, she says. Hope she isn't fooling me. Everytime I see those little garments being formed, it terrifies me.

How about that!

Zero hour for UGN

Final plans were made, Wednesday evening, for the 1966 Comox District United Good Neighbour Fund drive. Objective is \$35,500.

Committee chairman reported plan details.

Official opening of the drive will be October 1 in a ceremony in Courtenay when dignitaries will declare the fund appeal active. The business canvass starts Monday, October 3.

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Goodwill Enterprises For Handicapped

Solved at last for Courtenay and Comox residents is that Old Nanaimo areas, Goodwill Enterprises are placing these new booths in the Courtenay-Comox area as part of a planned step-by-step expansion of their activities throughout Vancouver Island, reports Mr. Rea.

"At our Nanaimo Workshop and in Victoria we are at present helping over one hundred handicapped persons to help themselves," said Mr. Rea. "Our Goodwill program helps them find a new life through their abilities. We could be doing this for even more handicapped people if we could rely on an increased flow of usable materials there — and we at Goodwill are confident that now we have placed our new booths near their homes, the people of Courtenay-Comox will respond magnificently to this special appeal by searching out and contributing the materials we so urgently need."

Materials collected from the Goodwill booths will be cleaned and repaired by handicapped people. The Goodwill Branch Workshop at Comox, then sold in Nanaimo's Comox, then sold in Courtenay. The workshop (telephone: 753-1291) houses two wives wishing to donate articles too heavy to place in the booths can arrange for a home pickup. "These unwanted materials are anything but unwanted by our handicapped people," commented Samuel R. Rea, Goodwill's executive director. "Just now, in fact, they are very badly needed to help keep our expanding program of service to the handicapped on the move," he added.

The new Goodwill booths are located at: Overwatera Store, Fifth Street, Courtenay; Comox Centre, Comox Ave.; IGA Airport Plaza, Ryan Road, Comox; Wallace Gardens, Canadian Forces Base, Comox; Mr. Richardson, 2064 Comox Ave., Comox. Extending Goodwill booths in Courtenay are located at Safeway and Super-Valu Stores.

Following the tour the missionaries of the Upper Island District of the Alaskan-Canadian Mission, thanked those at the base, who had made the tour so enjoyable.

The Royal Canadian Air Force Jet, some Search and Rescue equipment, an anti-submarine Neptune plane and had many things explained to them about the various aircraft. The tour proved to be an educational one for all.

Following the tour the missionaries of the Upper Island District of the Alaskan-Canadian Mission, thanked those at the base, who had made the tour so enjoyable.

The tour was led by Michael Hillon, presently in Port Alberni. Sisters Ethel Green and Bonita Byers are in Alberni. Elders Terrell Brooksby and Larry Butterfield are in Nanaimo. Elders Arvid Fredrickson and Arven Roberts are in Parksville. Elders Barry Freeman and Allen Perkins are working in the Campbell River area. Elders Gary Sessions and David Dimmick are presently working in the Courtenay-Comox area.

All of the missionaries, originally from the United States, throughout the tour of the base. The missionaries were the base.

Forest fires show increase

OTTAWA — Some 126,000 acres were damaged by 1,849 fires across Canada during the month of July this year as compared to 117,000 acres swept by 1,911 fires for the same period last year, according to estimates by the Department of Forestry.

This year's figures include 99 fires in the Yukon and Northwest Territories and 1,000 fires in the rest of Canada. Over last year's northern count in July, of 8,000 acres involving 66 fires.

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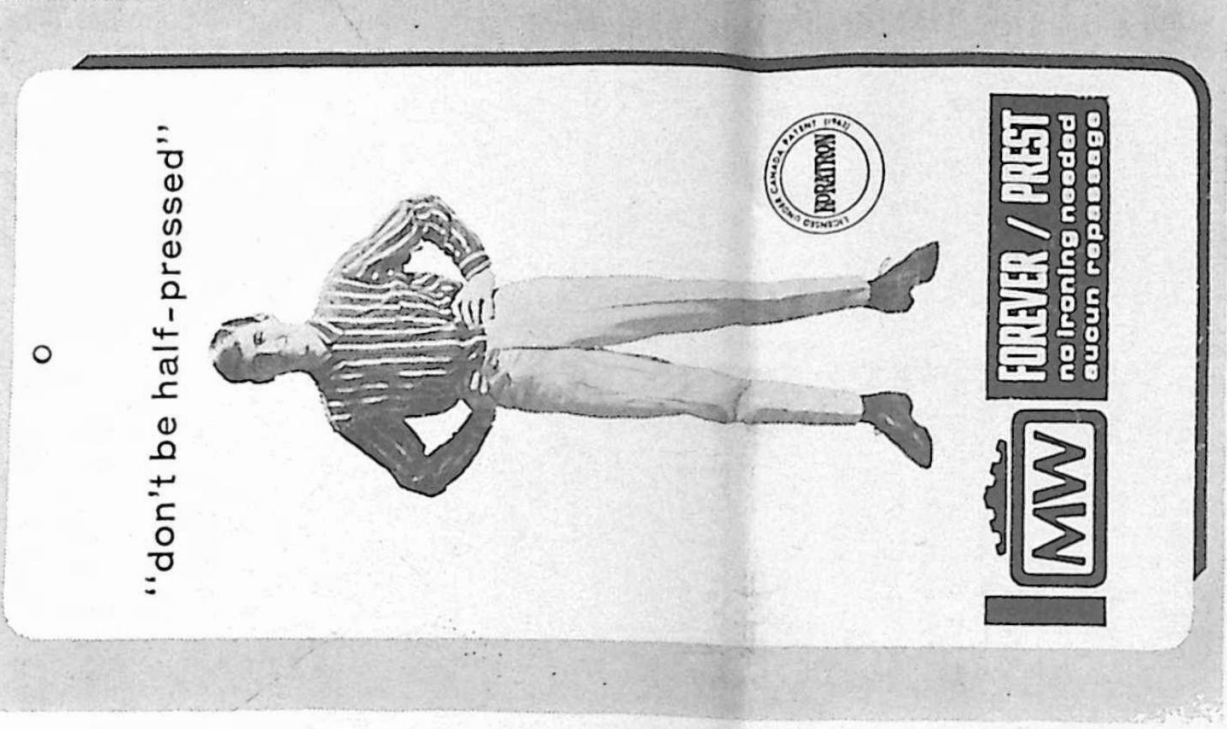
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Jewish Canadians To Have Their Own Pavilion

The Canadian Jewish community will build a pavilion at Expo 67.

To be called the Jewish Community Pavilion, its main objective will be to present Judaism as a world faith and culture maintained throughout the ages by Jewish people all over the world.

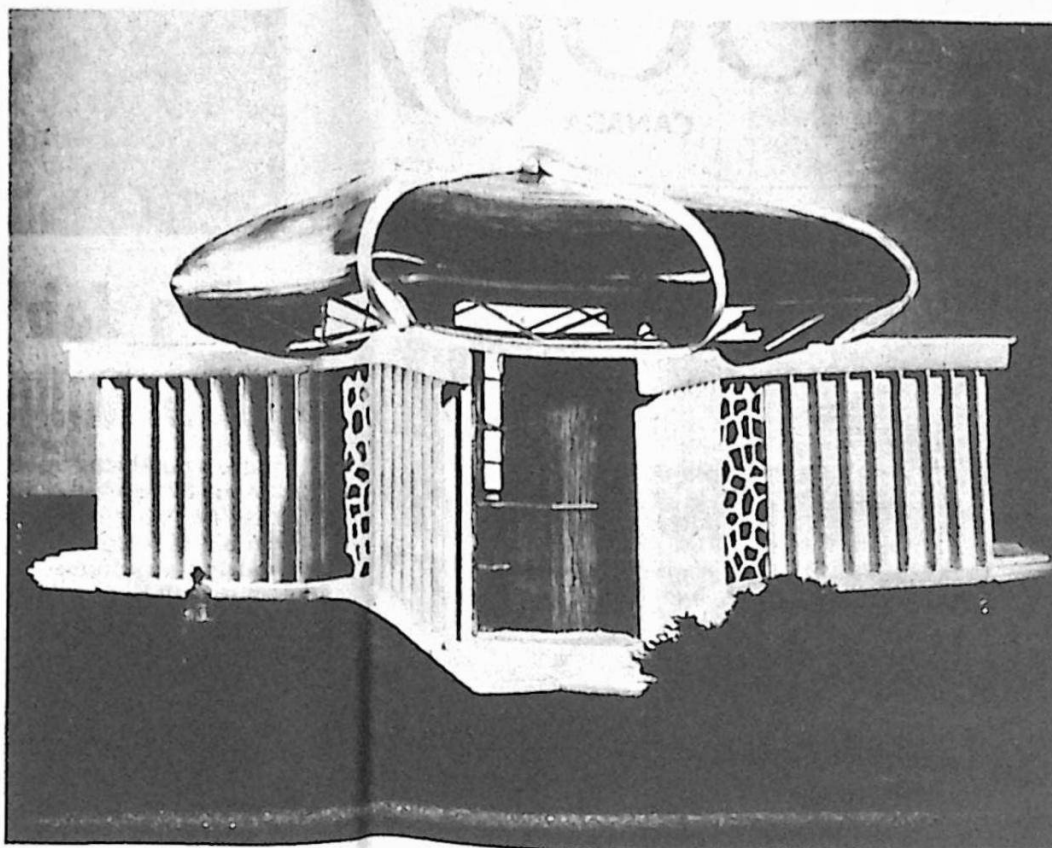
JUDAISM ETERNAL

The proposed theme of the pavilion is "Judaism Universal - Judaism Eternal," to be developed in such a way as to present the image of the Jewish people as a world-wide religious and cultural community geographically and "eternal" in the sense of being a people who have survived intact from ancient times to the present.

ROOTS IN THE EAST

The pavilion, to be located on Ile Notre-Dame, has been designed by Montreal architect Harry Stillman. He said the concept of the design is an attempt to reinterpret a religious form having its roots in the East.

The outside walls are of white pre-cast concrete panels with a rough plaster finish on the interior.



THE JEWISH COMMUNITY PAVILION

Town Planners In Local Area

Most people, contemplating the majestic eyesores which comprise most major Canadian cities can only wish that town planners had started their studies a bit earlier. One aspiring town planner who has started his career at an early age is Greg Mitchell, son of F/L Ken Mitchell, of the EWU detachment.

Greg has been building model towns in cigar boxes for several years now, and his efforts would do any town planner proud. The materials used is plasticene, all colors, and his model towns are pretty pictures indeed. One thing about doing them in plasticene is that the towns can be torn down and remodelled at minimum expense for maximum effect.

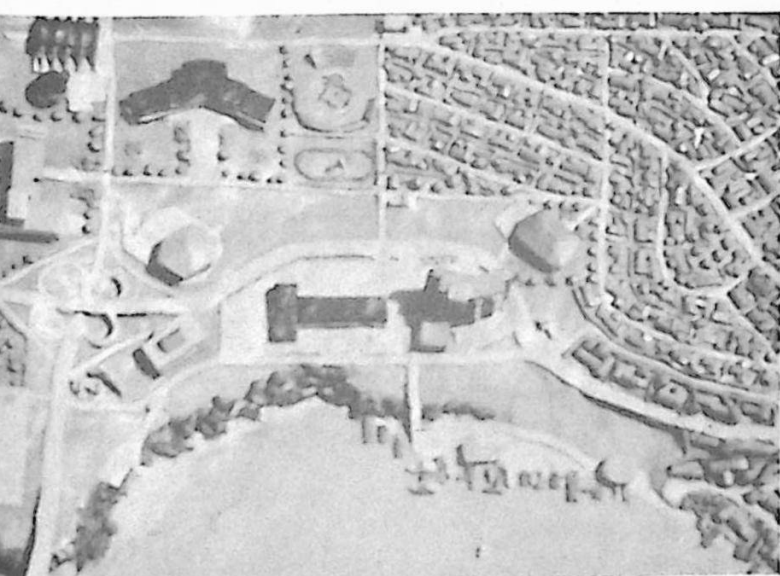
Most Canadian cities would be only too glad to have a town planner of such ability and patience on their staff.



GREG MITCHELL displays his model of that well-known Canadian city, Megalopolis.



NO CITY IS COMPLETE without a golf course, says F/L Mitchell, and Greg obligingly designed one in (upper right).



CLOSE UP of the harbour. Vancouver residents will turn green with envy when they see that this city has a freeway around its harbour.



A CLOSE-UP VIEW of the detailed work that goes into the city model. It is all built from plasticene. Colours are used to great advantage in the display.



THE TOWN as it now stands. Notice how the streets carry on from box to box. One project which he has just completed, but not yet installed is an excellent scale model of the new Toronto city hall.

1966 Christmas Stamps Out

October 12th, 1966, has been chosen as the release date for commemorative postage stamps in two denominations to mark the Christmas season, Canada's Postmaster General Jean-Pierre Cote announced today.

The projected releases will mark the third consecutive year in which the Canada Post Office has issued specially-designed stamps for Christmas. Again available in the 3¢ and 5¢ values, the 1966 issues were designed by Geoffrey Holloway, of Arnott Batten Limited of Montreal, Mr. Cote stated.

They feature a reproduction of a centuries old drawing "Betente Hande", or "Praying Hands", originally executed by the great German Renaissance painter, engraver, woodcut and decorative designer Albrecht Durer, who lived from 1471 to 1528.

Depicting an appropriate theme for the Christmas festive season, the drawing is a poignant representation of work-worn hands of a humble and devoted man offering thanks for blessings received.

The two stamps, the same design and small in size, will also include the Christmas Star, to gether with the words "Noel", "Christmas" and "Canada". The 5¢ denomination is produced in orange, the 3¢ value in rose. They were engraved by the Canadian Bank Note Company, Ottawa. The Canada Post Office expects to produce and sell more than 320 million Christmas stamps this year.



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Recreation Report

The base recreation council held a meeting on the 27 Sep. 66 to discuss five current projects: a base swimming pool, a base hunting and fishing area on crown lands, the opening of the Base Centennial Project, the Christmas dance, and Base team's transportation.

The major topic of the agenda was the swimming pool. At the moment and as far into the future as can be seen by the Recreation Council no government funds will be made available for an out-sized Service Ditching Testing Tank. In order to fill the gap in our recreation programme the recreation council has proposed that CFB Comox build a self-help pool with NPF funds.

The proposed pool is 35 feet by 75 feet with the depth varying from 3 feet at the shallow end to 10 feet at the deep end. There will be a six foot concrete apron, wash rooms and change rooms. The proposed plan will allow the pool to be covered in the future when funds are available. The proposed site is on the base between the combined mess and PMQ's.

The approximate cost for the pool would be \$25,000. If approval is forthcoming from HQ the pool would be financed from NPF, plus assessments and fund raising activities. The proposed assessment is from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per man on CFB Comox. For service personnel, dependents and DND employees the suggested service fee is 50¢ per month. CFB Comox has an abundance of personnel for instruction and life guarding. Lessons would be available to members at a reduced rate and dependents who had paid their service fee. We suggest that the long term advantages to base personnel in convenience, swimming skills, financing and operational training far outweigh the cost.

As soon as headquarters approval is given construction should be able to start. A second project of the Recreation Council is the acquisition of a base Hunting and Fishing area within 50 nautical miles of Comox on Provincial Crown Lands. The Council is negotiating at the moment for a tract of land which would be capable of development at a future date on a self-help basis. When acquired the area would be open to service personnel, DND employees, and dependents.

The Base Centennial Project, a cement floor in the arena, will soon be completed. The council plans a three day opening on Friday, Saturday and Sunday the 14th, 15th and 16th of October. The Council is negotiating for the Regular Forces Band for the opening. Plans are being laid for a tea dance Friday night, an adult dance Saturday night, and a Band Concert Sunday afternoon.

Another item on the Base Entertainment program is the Christmas All Ranks dance to be held in the Recreation Centre on Dec. 10, 1966.

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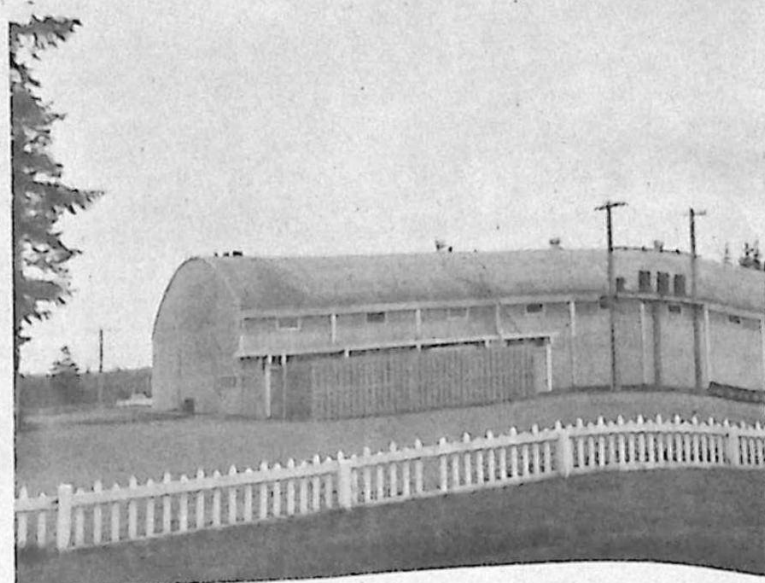
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Arena News



Well it is almost that time again and if you have not got the blades out yet then it is time that you did. Work on the arena is progressing well with the roof just about finished, the steel work and the pipes have all been laid and we expect the concrete floor to be poured this weekend. Two new dressing rooms and a warming room are to be added on the back of the arena along with a storage shed to house the new ice cleaning machine which should appear on the scene along about the end of October. The ice crew will be making ice in time for an opening the first week in November if all goes as planned.

The popular Inter-Section League will get under way with an organizational meeting to be held October third at 1300 hrs in the Recreation center so don't forget if your section has a team to enter get your representative to that important meeting. We understand that it will be a six team league and it should be a better league all around what with better facilities, better times to play and with everyone in top shape. Well don't say you weren't warned, if you aren't in shape now you'd better get started on it and right away. The Inter-Section gang will be playing Monday and Wednesday nights so now is the time to make your arrangements around those nights so you will be free to come out and see or participate in some hockey action.

On Tuesdays the Figure Skating Club will have a three hour period along with three hours on Saturday.

Indications are that this group will have a very active program during this season with many new members expected to turn out. Arrangements for registration of figure skaters is expected to get under way shortly so watch for announcements as to time, place, and date—DON'T GET LEFT OUT.

Minor hockey nuts on the Base are starting to size each other up and just can't wait to get started. They say that the programme will be similar to that of last year only better of course. There will be teams for boys of all ages with maximum participation hoped for. Once again All-Star teams to represent the area will be formed in the Pee-wee, Bantam, Midget and Juvenile age groups. These teams will in all probability compete in the Provincial playdowns near the end of the season. The possibility of the Juvenile team playing in a league with teams from Victoria, Esquimalt, Nanaimo, Port Alberni and Powell-River is also being looked into. Should this be the case then a strong supporting staff would be required to handle the coaching managing and handling duties. You'll be hearing more about this one soon. Registration of boys for the minor hockey league will be getting underway in the near future so watch for announcements. Don't get left out.

An all star team from the Inter-Section League will be formed early in the season to represent the Base in competition against other military groups. In order to provide hockey for the younger service men and older dependents consideration has been given to the formation of a Junior B team which would play against Powell-River, Royal Roads and Victoria teams. Players would be drawn from the Inter-Section League when required for weekend junior games.

Well that's about all for now but don't forget that none of these programmes will even get off the ground without the help and assistance of all concerned. If you have a talent in the skating, hockey, organizing or administration field get out to the various meetings when they are called. It's even possible that you could become "COACH OF THE YEAR" or something, but don't forget get out and support your group. If everyone helps it can make for a real good winter programme and lets face it when it rains what else is there to do?

If you use a seat belt in your car it makes sense to wear a life jacket in a boat.

Base Badminton Club



At a recent meeting of the Base Badminton Club the following personnel were elected for the 1966-67 season. President, F/O T. Krayden; vice-president, Sgt. A. Collins; secretary, Mrs. Eva-May Drummond; competition manager, FS D. Lloyd; assistant competition manager, Cpl. W. Fenn; and Coach, F/L D. J. F. Hill.

The club will enter a team in the North Vancouver Island Badminton league this year and the club needs lady players. Come out and enjoy badminton on Tuesday nights and Sunday afternoon each week.

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SPORTS NEWS

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BASKETBALL: Meeting to be held on Monday 17 October at 1300 hours in the Base Rec. Center.

FLOOR HOCKEY: Need more teams, If you can muster a team please contact the Rec Center.

VOLLEYBALL: Due to start soon but we need more teams for the "B" League series. Playing time will be from 1630 hours to 1000 hours, on Wednesday if you have a team or just want to play contact the Rec Center.

ICE HOCKEY: Now Is The Time to Speak Up. Meeting scheduled for Monday 3rd October at 1300 hours in Rec. Center phone for further information.

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S/L HAMMOND discusses the base swimming pool with the recreation council.

Well money isn't everything so let's make the best of the fringe benefits, i.e. the Recreation Program.

If you can't forget that Honolulu holiday you'd planned get involved in one or more of the Fall and Winter activities.

The ever popular Volleyball will be starting soon and as there will be a Canadian Forces championship this year we want to have a good turn out and a high caliber of play. For the good players there will be a base team and a 4 team A league playing on Wednesday from 1630 to 1800 hours. For the "sticky fingered" players, a B league will operate on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1630 to 1800 hrs. If you have a team you would like to enter, call the recreation office at 315 now.

Football, the flag variety, is underway with a bigger teams than last year both in numbers and in size. It looks like last years winners, the Teens, will have big problems this year. Sorry about that fellows but it seems that the sports field is the only place on the Island where grass doesn't grow.

The other kind of football played with the head and the feet has been enjoyed by many converts who have been playing in the six-a-side league. This competition will end shortly and the emphasis will then switch to the base team which will be competing in the Upper Island League. At a meeting held on 26 Sept. 66 a new slate of officers was elected: President: F/O Klein; Captain: Cpl. Dennis Hulme; VICE-president: LAC Bill Jobson.

With new players the calibre

of Hulme and Jobson together with the stalwarts of previous seasons this could be our big year.

After a successful intersection league last year Basketball is starting up big this year with a base team entered in the Campbell River Senior Men's League. A lot of interest has been shown in the intersection league which will play Mondays from 1800 to 2230 hours. So, if you're an old style hoopster or if you dribbled through childhood, why not turn out this year?

Badminton got off to an early start this year and the new executive is keen to make this year the best yet for base bird bashers. Competitions for players of different level will be held regularly throughout the season and the club will enter the North Island Badminton league.

Hockey will be played on ice and on the rec center floor. In response to requests a Floor Hockey League will play Thursday nights in the recreation center. Players and teams are needed so phone 315 right away so we can get this new sport started.

On ice the news is that the AFP's will be patrolling the arena in combat this year along with 5 other intersection teams. The games will be played on Mondays and Wednesdays with each team playing twice a week. That's a lot of hockey boys, so get in shape now.

The latest rumour heard is that a swimming pool is in the offing and we all know how much we need that; however, it will probably need a lot of self-help so line up on the right and be counted.



CPL. BAILEY receives a trophy as the winner of the 407 golf tournament from Mr. Harley Glover, the manager of Butterworths.



CPL. JOHNS receives a trophy as the winner of the 407 salmon derby from Mr. Jasbec the manager of Comox Marine Industries.

407 SPORTS

SOCCER: Six-a-side soccer is in its final week now. The Demons are 2-1 and have the best chance of finishing in top spot. Next week its the play offs and the trophy for the winners.

FLAG FOOTBALL: The 407 Team is in high gear now, with a 3-1 record. Under the capable guidance of Al Currie the team has jelled into a winner. The way the team has been going its a wonder only a few spectators have supported the team. Come out and give a shout and cheer for the Demons, after all 30,000 at Empire Stm. are supporting a loser and we have a winner. A few of the standout stars on the team are, Russ Buglass-

Q.B., Bob 'Von' Richter Def (Tackle), and the rest of the team.

PHYSICAL FITNESS: Ours is not to reason why ours is but to do or die, with this 407 started its one day crusade 27 Sept., to have all members pass(?) their Physical Fitness Test.

We may have aches and pains for a week but the Surgeon-General will be oh, so happy. **VOLLEYBALL:** Under a new setup 407 has two teams in the league this year. With an A & B team more players and officials are needed. The season starts Wed. Oct. 5, 4:30 - 6:00.

If you are interested contact F/O La Blance at local 308.

TIDBITS

HAJIME! Once again the Judo mats will feel the impact of falling bodies. The club gets underway Oct. 8 at what we hope will be our permanent location in the social center. Ed Ball will be the chief instructor. Classes will be: Children: 1800 to 1900 Tuesday and Thursdays. Adults: 1900 to 2130 Tuesdays and Thursdays. We are hoping for a good turnout this year and expect to have many prominent performers from the Judo world to visit us. Interested? Contact F/O Tretlak at Local 378.

The Base Bowling Alleys will be open for league bowling starting 2 Oct. 66 and for casual bowling as soon as possible. Registration forms for league teams are available at the Recreation Centre or phone Sgt. Schentag at local 235. Mixed League meetings will be held 1300 hours 28 Sept. 66 in the Bowling Alley. The Ladies' League meeting will be held 1300 hours 30 Sept. 66 in the Bowling Alley. All team captains or their representatives are requested to attend

Ottawa, Ontario - Sports facilities head the list of six Centennial projects for British Columbia just announced under the Federal-Provincial Centennial Grants Program. Approval of the grants was announced by the Honorable Judy LaMarsh, Secretary of State of Canada and federal minister responsible for Centennial affairs and by the Honorable W. D. Black, Provincial Secretary of British Columbia and provincial minister charged with co-ordinating Centennial celebrations in that province.

Burns Lake plans to develop a sports centre for skating, hockey and tennis while a baseball field and picnic area will be created on the Sheshaht Indian Reserve. Another reserve, at Lower Nicola, plans a softball park.

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Well many sporting events are overlapping at this time of the year.

This is the time when everyone starts thinking about the indoor sporting events such as Bowling, Badminton, Hockey, Volleyball, and of course Basketball. Meetings will take place in the next few weeks to select new schedules, members, and to discuss and refresh our memories on the rules of the games. For the Det 5 personnel its a time for the defense of the Basketball Title, a resurgence for the Volleyball team, and an attempt to capture recognition in the Courtenay Commercial Bowling League for our 3 new teams.

But we have omitted two activities which lure many of our detachment personnel throughout the winter months and these activities are of course hunting and fishing. Well the only thing that anyone can say is, that with all the activities abounding in such enormous proportions and with such varied interests no one has an excuse to sit idly by and pass the winter on their posteriors.

Jim Gilliam may not be "Davey Crockett", but to his younger Gilliams there is no doubt. The reason for this belief is that last weekend Jim and his hunting companion Dan Moore produced a "Bring em back dead" series of their own. While hunting in the upper regions of the Puntledge River Jim and Dan came upon a size large Black Bear, and with apt shooting skill Jim quickly disposed of the lurking creature Jim said that this bear is one of the largest killed in this area. While we are on the topic of hunting, if you intend to participate in this sport here are a few reminders: Take along a companion, carry a compass or map of the area, and last but not least identify your target prior to shooting.

Bowling for the detachment this year will find all of our personnel participating in the Courtenay leagues. The three men's teams are captained by the se personnel; Frank Niccum's "Spoilers", Andy LaShier's, "Gutter Rats", and Tom Toth's, "Tigers". The "Tigers" and "Spoilers" each have identical records of 3 wins and 1 loss while the "Gutter Rats" have a record of 1 win and 3 losses. This men's league consists of 12 teams which began in September and will terminate in either March or April. We also have 2 teams in the Mixed Doubles

league. These teams are the Russells and Darreffs and the Toths and Bowdriges.

In golf last week at Comox Golf Club the annual Lavers Golf Tournament was held in splendid weather. The participants from Det 5 were Tom Toth, Ed Darreff, and Dan Russell. Russell was the only winner when he captured the "Fourth Low Net" with a sizzling 66. Dan received a Banlon sweater from Lavers.

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