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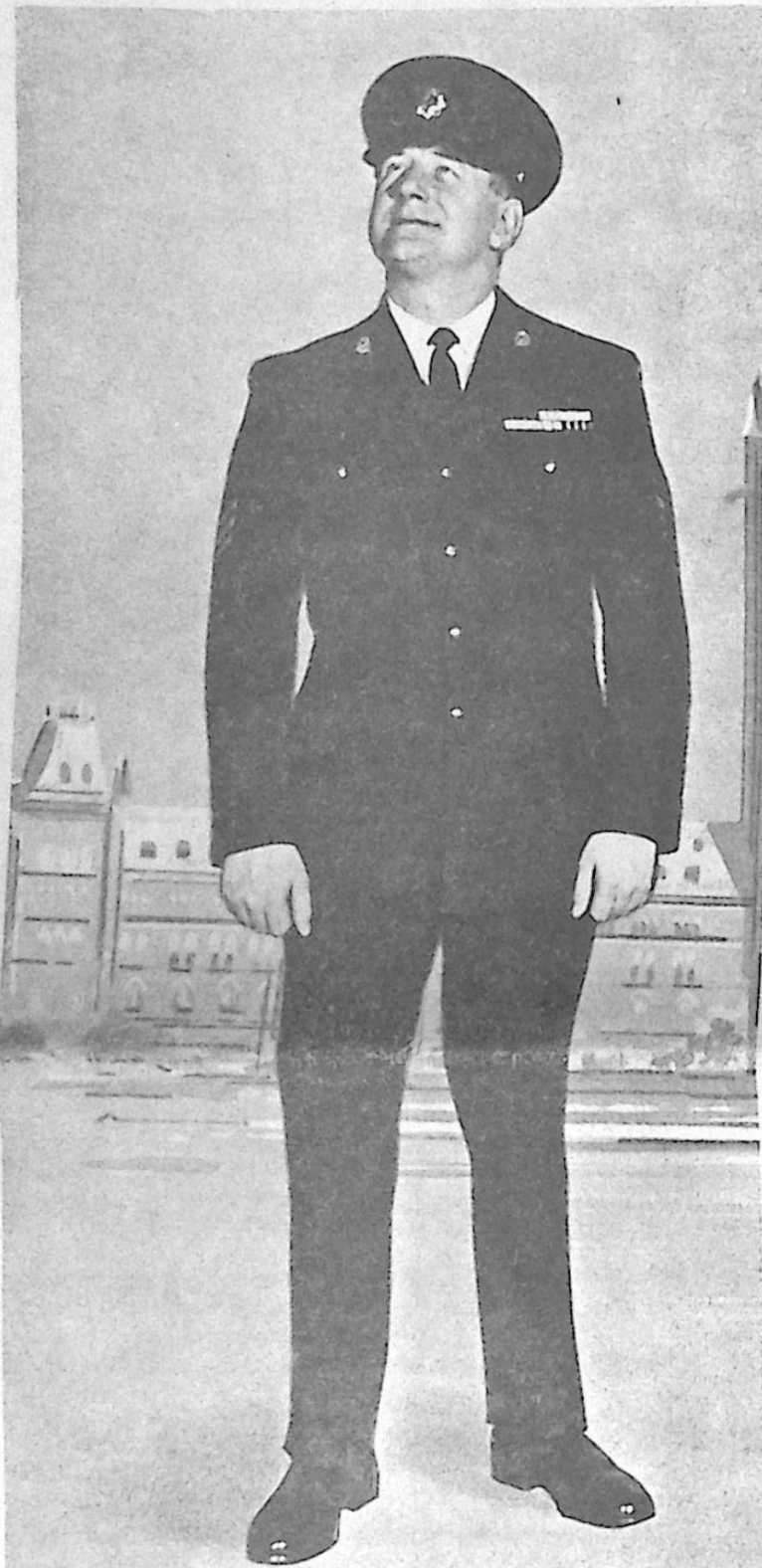
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## Green, Green, It's Green They Say— New Uniform Makes Debut



## APPEALING FEATURES IN NEW UNIFORMS

St. Patrick's Day will be every day for the Canadian Armed Forces when the uniform which was unveiled on May 29 goes into general issue. But it won't be immediately. Four hundred of the uniforms will be issued to selected members of the forces, and they will do user trials on them for the next year. It is expected that general issue of the summer-weight uniforms and field jackets will not start until the summer of 1969, and will not be complete until the summer of 1971.

All servicemen will wear the same uniform. Generals, air marshals and admirals will be issued the same uniforms as the newest recruits, and only by the rank badges and hat decorations will the casual observer be able to tell them apart.

The material, which is dark green in color, is a synthetic fibre and wool combination specially developed to be long-lasting and crease-resistant. Winter uniforms will be a heavier blend of the same material, so that summer or winter, Canadian servicemen will look the same.

The single-breasted, hip-length tunics are not belted,

except on ceremonial parades, when a special gold-trimmed belt is worn. This belt will also be worn by all ranks.

The peaked cap is quite similar in style to that now worn by RCAF airmen, and the same hat will be worn by officers, the only difference being the increasing amounts of gold braid as one goes up the rank scale. Junior officers caps will have one row of gold fluting, caps for majors through colonels will have one row of gold braid, and caps for brigadier and above will have two rows of gold braid.

Rank insignia is gold. For airmen and NCOs the insignia is almost the same as it is now. For officers up to and including colonel rank, rank insignia will be those now used by the navy. For higher ranks, a broad gold stripe on the sleeve along with other devices on the shoulder will denote the officer's rank.

Present plans call for each serviceman to be outfitted with one complete summer uniform and field jacket by the end of summer, 1971. Initial issue of the uniform will be free, but servicemen will pay for replacements.

## CORRECTION

The previous edition of the TOTEM TIMES carried a story saying that F/L FD Lung, who suffered burns to his back when his shirt caught fire, had been refused first aid at St. Joseph's Hospital, Comox. This conveyed a false impression.

F/L Lung was not treated at St. Joseph's Hospital because it is DND policy that servicemen shall, wherever possible, be treated in DND hospitals. Because his condition was not serious, F/L Lung was referred to the base hospital for treatment.

St. Joseph's Hospital stands ready, as always, to afford the best of treatment to those requiring it. The TOTEM TIMES regrets any embarrassment which may have been caused the hospital by the previous story.

## McBRIEN SHOOT ENDS TODAY



### Arabs Not Here Yet

THAT TENT in front of 409 Servicing is not full of Arabs, but of 409 groundcrews watching and listening to the progress of the McBrien Trophy Shoot. The tent will be quietly folded to steal away after the shoot.

— Times Photo



### Shades of GCI

POSITIONS OF TARGET AND FIGHTERS are plotted on plastic tote board late of Puntzi Mountain radar site. Air Defence Tech Cpl Larry Lalonde was imported from CAC at great expense to demonstrate his skill in backward writing.

— Times Photo

## Contest Closes, Calculations Commence

### RESULTS AWAITED

The McBrien Trophy Shoot Team has done its best, all is done but the counting. Unofficial results show 409's team with a total point score of 8750 out of a possible 10,000. Scoring is done in a manner far too complicated to go into in a family journal such as this, but points are awarded for each of four attacks carried out. Each of the four aircrews could amass 2,000 points, for a total of 8,000. The GCI team was working for a total of 2,000 points.

The SAFE team at McChord is led by F/L Darryll Paige, Paige has two INDs; F/L Ernie Cooke and Lt. Rodney Orrison who must direct the four Voodoos into their four intercepts each. There will be a Command scrutineer from the Tac Eval shop looking over their shoulders to prevent cheating and things of that nature.

Another Tac Eval team will be watching the aircrew here. S/L Mac Kinsey and F/L Carl Robinson came from Command at North Bay to oversee the shoot.

The aircrew team captain was S/L S. Popham, his nays were F/L R. Pomerleau. The other crews were: F/Ls Steffen, Tomkins, Dodd and F/O Warren. A spare crew, F/O L. Putland and F/L C. Meinert took part in all practice flights, just in case.

### GAMUT OF ATTACKS

Four different attacks were carried out; a supersonic front, an ECM run on the EWU CF-100, a

remote control run and finally a penetration target. All attacks had to be carried out in a small area west of Tofino, and attacks not completed in the designated area count for naught. 425 and 416 squadrons have the same ground rules to work with; limited time and a limited area.

### OTHER SQNs COMPETE

The other all weather squadrons in the RCAF are competing for the three McBrien trophies. 425 squadron at Bagotville flew their shoot last week, Comox intelligence experts have heard that the Chicken Pluckers gathered a total of 8,000 points. Next week, Chatham's answer to the Night-hawks, 416 squadron, will fly the same four sorties in an attempt to best the Comox and Bagotville records.

Final results will not be known immediately. Evaluators and other records will have to be scrutinized at Command HQ. The winners of the three trophies will be made known sometime in the middle of June.

There are three trophies at stake in the competition; Overall Team Trophy, GCI Team Trophy, and an Individual Aircrew Trophy for high score. 416 squadron won last year in a slightly modified shoot. 1965 was the year of the first McBrien Shoot. It was held to decide which of the three RCAF squadrons would go to Tyndall, Florida to represent the RCAF in the William Tell rocket meet. That honour was won by 425 with a narrow margin over 409.

## Base Centennial Project Set to Roll



ANOTHER ARMED FORCES CENTENNIAL PROJECT set to roll. The Search and Rescue display trailer which was built at CFB Comox to carry the

Search and Rescue story to all corners of the province.

— DND Photo



RESCUE EQUIPMENT AND SURVIVAL GEAR are shown on this side of the Search and Rescue Trailer. On the left is a completely outfitted para-rescuer. Next to him is the equipment used for mountain rescue. SARAH sets comprise the next display, and

on the adjacent board the contents of a Voodoo seat pack are scattered about. All aircrew are asked to note that there are no tire irons shown.

— DND Photo



SEARCH AND RESCUE AREAS across Canada and in B.C. are shown on this side of the trailer, along with a pictorial record of a search and rescue operation.

Concealed lighting in the roof of the trailer illuminates the photo-story to best advantage.

— DND Photo

## PROVINCE-WIDE DISPLAY OF SAR STORY

Take a scrap trailer. Add an idea. Then add the hard work that transforms dream to reality, and you have the base's latest Centennial project, a forty-foot trailer that will tour the province telling the search and rescue story.

The original idea for the project was hatched by S/L R.S. Strouts, of the Vancouver Rescue Co-ordination centre, and he appointed F/L R. B. Brodie of the Centre as the project officer.

When CFHQ approval had been gained, CFB Comox was approached for assistance in building the mobile display. As luck would have it, there was a trailer just awaiting its date with the scrapyard. It was rescued, and the work began.

While some people worked on the trailer, to restore it to service and modify it to take the dis-

play, others worked on the displays. One side of the trailer shows the gear used in mountain and para-rescue. The other side shows the RCAF search and rescue areas across Canada, and a close-up of the Pacific area. On the same side there is a picture story showing what happens when a boat or aircraft goes missing, or a request for an air-sea rescue comes in.

The finished job shows how much effort went into the project. The displays are nothing short of superb. Many base personnel had a hand in creating the display and they did an excellent job in fine fashion.

From the CE section, S/L Cousins helped a great deal on many matters, and Cpl. Joe Cando did a fine job of the wiring for the special lighting installed. Mr. Reg. Day spent a great deal of time and trouble painting all

the signs which were required to brighten and explain the display.

In workshops, F/L Jamieson co-ordinated the repairs and modifications to the trailer, and WO2 G.E. Davies supervised the job. Cpls O'Connell and Lundquist built most of the display boards with strong assistance from Mr. Willing.

The base photo section was deeply involved in the project, taking and mounting the many photos that illustrated the search and rescue story. WO2 Radcliffe and Cpls Wagner, Wilton and Patterson spent many tedious hours nursing their share of the project to completion.

Safety equipment also played a role in the building of this display. FS Miles and LAC Schuman are now regular wizards at safety displays. LAC Schuman will tra-

vel with the trailer when it goes on the road this summer.

In the Supp section, S/L Pulham and F/L Meade were ever ready to help with what was in the catalogues, and Cpl Devine from LPO stood ready to provide what was not. F/L Gribbling also helped out on a lot of matters and Cpls Agar and Shellen are the very able drivers of the rig.

In addition to those named, many others helped on the project, and they too can feel proud when it rolls past.

The trailer will be on display at CFB Comox on Armed Forces Day, June 10, and in Courtenay on 12 Sept. Between those dates it is liable to be anywhere in the province, telling the Search and Rescue story, often in conjunction with Labrador and Albatross aircraft from 121 KU.

Those who worked on this Centennial project are entitled to a "Well done" for their efforts. It's a fine display.



## NIGHT HAWK'S NEST



Now that the McBrien Trophy business is over, the squadron faces the problem of mass combat ready training for those crews who have not flown for weeks. Some of the shoot crews deserve a lot of credit for their sterling performances, having flown two trips a day, day after day, well past the age of thirty.

The first half of the annual assault on Buttle Lake is over. "A" Flight deemed the whole affair a success, everyone apparently survived. There were a few queasy stomachs on the first morning, attributed to drinking lake water full of mine tailings and other things. It was reported that Blue Flash got up to full operating RPMs after a long dry winter, and even managed to pull in the biggest fish. Two imports from Alberta provided the thrills for the camp; one by falling in the water and the other demonstrated firewalking without a net.

Grover Poole and Freddy Brittain are pulling some kind of a swan at Cold Lake for the next week or so. Both have certificates saying they are qualified armament experts, but expect to stay at the Cool Pool for more than a week just to do a trip or two shooting things.

Expo 409, a Mouldyhill Production, started slowly last week but is now coming into its own. By Armed Forces Day, seven hanger will be full of nearly a million photographs and posters. Cooler heads prevailed and the gogo dancer has been cancelled, causing Bob to call off the psychotic pavilion entirely. Nighthawks are proud of Bob carrying on the way he is with badly sunburned ears.

Lungs have just completed their seventeenth move since coming to Comox, and have now rented a beautiful home in the country. It is astounding what a little ingenuity can do to make dirt floors attractive.

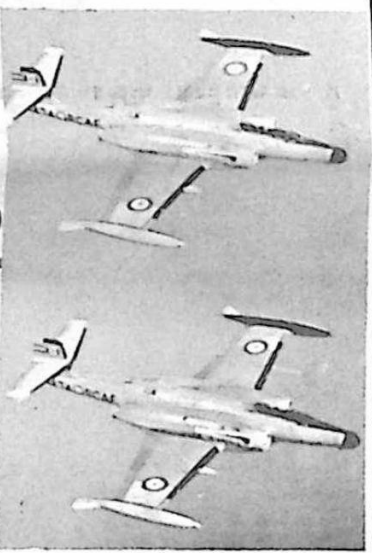
The other real estate mongrel on the squadron has been dickered for the Officers' Mess. Sherwin thinks it will make an ideal 'cosy retreat away from his mansion in Vancouver.

Gary Liddiard has had a glassy eyed look recently; it may be the approaching wedding day, or the horror stories being told him by the veteran married types. Gary has also been practising standing in the same spot twice so he won't be overlooked at the ceremony. He is unaware that no one pays the groom any attention anyway.

It can be now reported that Paramount Studios is no longer interested in purchasing film rights to the Pomerleau Sea Saga. Negotiations broke down when Bob insisted the Studio buy the boat as well. Anyway, Sir Francis Chichester came home from a slightly longer voyage. Bob did manage to salvage something out of the affair, he unloaded the family Titanic on a friend who might have known better.

Wally Hartzell assures us that studying biology is not for his personal gain and profit. He is doing it out of a dedication to the quest for knowledge and learning. He tells off-color stories about the love life of ferns. The Nighthawks are off to another fine start in intersection softball; first game lost by default. Tonight's game has been postponed on account of... you guessed it... trophy shoot.

## CHAFF CHATTER



By the time this appears in print, the McBrien Shoot will be over, and EWU groundcrews will no longer have to contend with Applewater skulking about the flight line dismantling the ECM airplanes to see which way the jammer is pointing, if at all. Nor will the aircrew have to contend with the Applewater ear which has intruded upon almost every conversation in the EWU broom-closet lately.

Vic Rushton and Jim Davies have returned from their simulator tour on Ile Notre Dame and such places and are very enthusiastic about their week's training. Apparently the simulator has been modified to give the effect of a space ride or something, but we are not quite sure as Davies was even less intelligent than usual upon his return.

Ken Mitchell, who, a few weeks ago was cursing all the rocks on his Courtenay estate, has now taken to importing them. He is designing a back yard so splendid that it will be known as "Butcharts North". Mind you, if his flowers keep flicking in at their present rate it could also be known as Forest Lawn North, too.

Bob Wheeler is losing weight faster than an ice-cube on the Sahara desert, and now has to

take at least three steps before his flying suit starts to move. No one knows what he is getting into shape for, unless it is chasing golf balls to all the obscure places that he hits them.

Earl Crocker and Bob Merrick are heading east this week to exchange an airplane and get Crocker enrolled in a university, if Merrick doesn't get too lost. The idea of an old man like Crocker attending a university with all those lovely young coeds is enough to give pause to the imagination, and will certainly give many fathers reason to consider again the wisdom of sending their daughters to college.

One of the nicest features of Centennial year is the way that so many Canadian communities have taken such a great interest in Canadian history. Why, this interest has even gone so far that one or two communities have even asked for a Clunk to fly past, presumably because it was cheaper than building a museum to house it. At any rate, the CF-100 will once again be dazzling the populace in daring straight and level flypasts.

Rumour of the Week: Pomerleau will be transferred to EWU as an engineering officer, just to find out what way the jammer points in a Phase One bird.

## Canoes Not Really Solo

The armed forces are helping the Centennial Voyageurs Canoe Pageant throughout the 3,500-mile route the dozen canoes are taking from Alberta to Expo. Mobile command is providing a radio unit of 33 officers and to accompany them on the river routes. The rescue coordination centres at Winnipeg and Trenton are keeping a motherly eye on them day by day throughout the voyage from the search and rescue viewpoint. The navy's gate vessels Porte St. Jean and Porte St. Louis will escort them through Lakes Superior and Huron.

In addition, materiel command is lending the pageant 10 three-ton stake trucks.

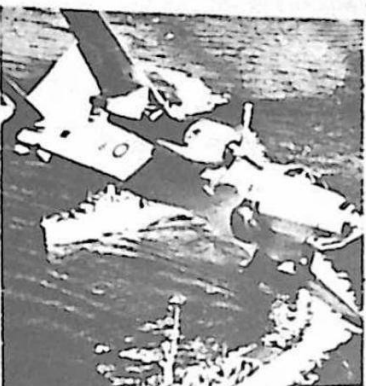
Chief of the Pageant is Lt.-Col. W.H.V. (Bill) Matthews, MC, "D, Ret'd", of Gabriola Island, B.C. Officer commanding the mobile radio troop will be Lt. R.B. Logan, Edmonton.

The canoes, one representing each province and territory, manned by "voyageurs" in period costumes, were to leave Rocky Mountain House, Alta, May 24, and proceed along the old fur trading route to Montreal.



**NOW HEAR THIS, THESE ARE THE CAPTAINS SPEAKING** — Five more flight lieutenants were created in a single stroke recently when (l. to r.) F/Os WD Harris, AH Stevenson, BD Kilgour, FWL Gibson and TJ Krayden were awarded their second stripes. G/C KC Lett is shown offering his congratulations to the group.

— DND Photo



At last "B" Flight is getting its sweet revenge on their inferior (some people say superior) counterparts down the hall. "A" Flight is digesting the inside green presented by the selected branch of 407 who reside behind the lofty walls of our standards section dreaming up schemes to discourage their wisdom on the uninitiated plebees who dwell on the hangar line.

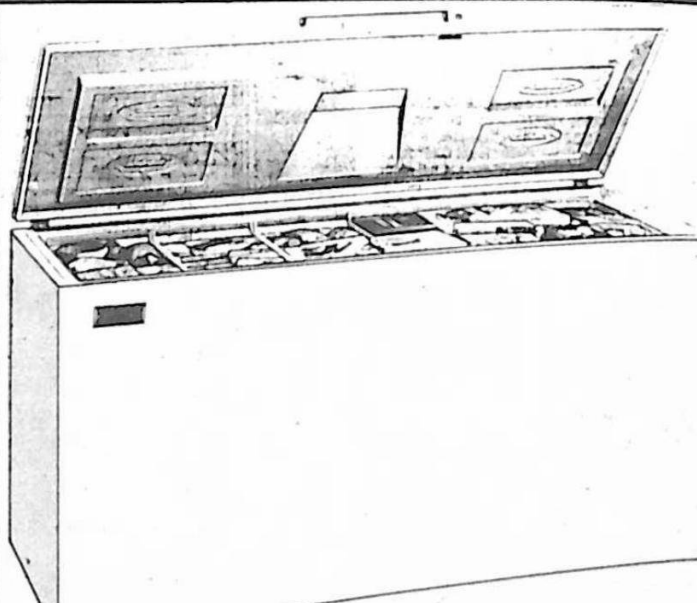
Our Senior Controller come Intelligence Officer injected a little humor into what is usually a dull morning briefing, by commenting on a few of the finer points concerning the disputes in the Middle East. To coin a phrase, it was a scintillating talk, at least it managed to wake everyone up, and I even noticed a few smiles. This brings to mind one basic flaw in our briefing set-up. It is common knowledge throughout the Air Force that met-men are exceedingly boring, through no fault of their own, but because of the dry subject matter. So in an effort to keep everyone alert and on the bit, I would suggest that rather than starting a morning briefing to the lulling tones of a meteorological forecast, there should be at least a five minute warmup of loud martial music to stir the minds and imaginations of the troops. What a Grand Entrance for a met-man.

Crew 6 made a short visit to Whidbey over the last weekend and managed to spread a bit of goodwill when it was learned that 407 Sqn. would be flying their Friday mission. The high spot of the welcome revolved around hearty discussion and a keg of cool brew offered by our hosting crew. The exchange scheme between our southern neighbors is of extreme value in exchanging and understanding viewpoints in the complex ASW field.

Now that the summer season is near it can be expected that 407 will take over 121's job of search and rescue. As usually happens the seasonal shift from the ski slopes to the sea shore results in a large part of our flying being spent on search

standards the other day when "Scotty" went into one of his seizures over logs and charts. Several junior thinkers on the squadron have come up with the suggestion that the squadron should give courses in penmanship as a centennial project. Not only would the project have practical value but it would revive an ancient Canadian art.

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## COBOC CACAPHONY

A COBOC meeting of some considerable import came to pass recently. If noise is any indication, interest certainly runs high. After heated discussion, a motion to continue the COBOC bursary was passed. With great determination, new stipulations were expounded, and, in typical fashion, a committee was appointed to administer the scholarship. Also in the order of business, Hank Klein was elected Vice-President, and one of the group's athletes, whose name escapes at the moment, offered to organize a team in response to the Corporal's Club challenge to a bathtub race. However, turnout at the meeting was disappointing, with only 17 present. COBOC needs the support of everybody, including new arrivals, if our group is to continue.

Speaking of "groups", John Brennan's stag was held last Wednesday, and although press

coverage was lacking, the affair was assumed to be a success, since John was nowhere to be seen for three or four days after. While all this was going on, Baz was wandering along the beaches of Kodiak Island, finally finding his way back to the Navy Station after a night of ludicrous goings-on.

Dave Nunnkhoven has been transferred to Summerside, and is doing a creditable job of adopting a positive attitude towards the island. (If that's possible!) Wayne Sled, late of COBOC and now of Prince George, is arriving at Comox for a visit this week.

Closing on a sympathetic note, let us consider the disaster that has befallen COBOC with the changing of the sked flight from Saturday afternoon to late that evening. Obviously those in the councils of power do not appreciate the special problems we bachelors must tolerate.

## Demon Doins

Initiative still pays off.

This fact was borne out recently when CPL J.E. Poirier received an award of over \$1,000 for his efforts in the design and development of a Remote Test Panel for use with the Ground-Air Transmitter-Receiver used in the Radar Sites located throughout central Canada.

Corporal Poirier, spent many hours of his own time in developing his idea. When he submitted this suggestion, it was evaluated by a team of experts and was, after intense examination, found

to be extremely accurate and valid. It was, therefore strongly recommended for adoption and has since been put into use at all radar sites.

The immediate advantages of the Remote Test Panel included the saving of approximately 100 manhours over the present maintenance methods and the elimination of delays and considerable wear and tear on the equipment. It also improved the effectiveness of the equipment being tested. The main advantage is that what it used to take two men to do can now be done more efficiently by one.



## TELECOM WINNER

CPL JOE POIRIER (left) shows F/L Bob Sibbert the cheque which Poirier won for his design and development of a remote test panel used on telecom equipment at radar sites.

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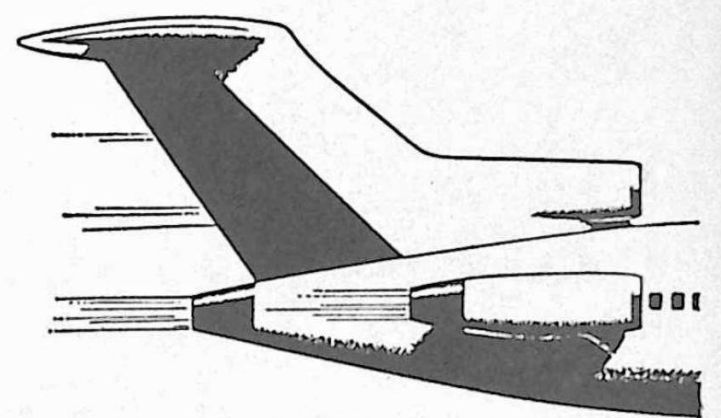
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# FUNGUS FEATURES

by mac



PICTURED ABOVE is the scene of the crash of a Piper Cherokee aircraft outside of Penticton, B.C. It requires an experienced eye to spot the wreckage amongst the dense foliage. What is seen in this picture is about all the spotter saw when he located the wreckage. Can you spot it? (The position of the wreckage is given at the bottom of the page). — DND Photo

## 121 KU NEWS

With seven Airvacs and four Searches, the month of May was a busy one for 121 KU.

On the 4th of May F/L Ray Rasmussen and his crew in Labrador 10403 evacuated a seriously ill crewman of the tug "Harmac Fir", from Thuland Passage to Vancouver. Also on the 4th of May F/L Holly Deacon and his crew in Albatross 9305 evacuated a seriously ill woman from Comox to Victoria.

A Search for a Piper Cherokee aircraft missing between Vernon and Langley got under way on the 7th of May. "SAR/PAHL" lasted until the 15th of May, with search headquarters at Penticton. During this period every available aircraft and crew was employed. As there was a fair amount of turbulence in the mountainous areas around Vernon, one crew flew in the morning and another in the afternoon, this resulted in as much as thirteen hours search time per day, per aircraft. The wreckage of the lost Cherokee was spotted on the morning of the 15th day of May and when positive identification was established the search was officially over. During "SAR/PAHL" 646 hours and 30 minutes were flown by three Albatross, two Labrador, one Dakota and one Voyager Aircraft; 73,823 Square miles were covered, before the

lost aircraft was spotted.

On the 18th of May, F/L Milt Agate and crew in Albatross 9305 evacuated an injured airman from Kamloops to Victoria.

The 19th of May brought another search, this time for a 36 foot fishing trawler missing in the vicinity of Port Hardy. F/O Barry Lockyer and crew were dispatched in Albatross 9305. After several hours searching the missing trawler was located at Bull Harbor, just north of Port Hardy.

On the morning of the 21st of May, F/L MacWillard and crew in Albatross 9305 evacuated a car accident victim from Tofino to Victoria. The afternoon of the 21st brought another search. This time for a Taylorcraft aircraft missing in the Harrison Lake area. "SAR POWERS" employed Albatross 9305 with F/L Paul Hanson and crew and Labrador 10403 with F/L Al Winter and crew. The wreckage of the Taylorcraft was spotted late in the afternoon and the search was over.

On the 22nd of May, "SAR RUCHS" got under way. This time a glider was missing in the Hope area. The wreckage was spotted on Dog Mountain and a para-rescue team was lowered to the wreckage. F/L Ed Riley and crew in Labrador 10403 were

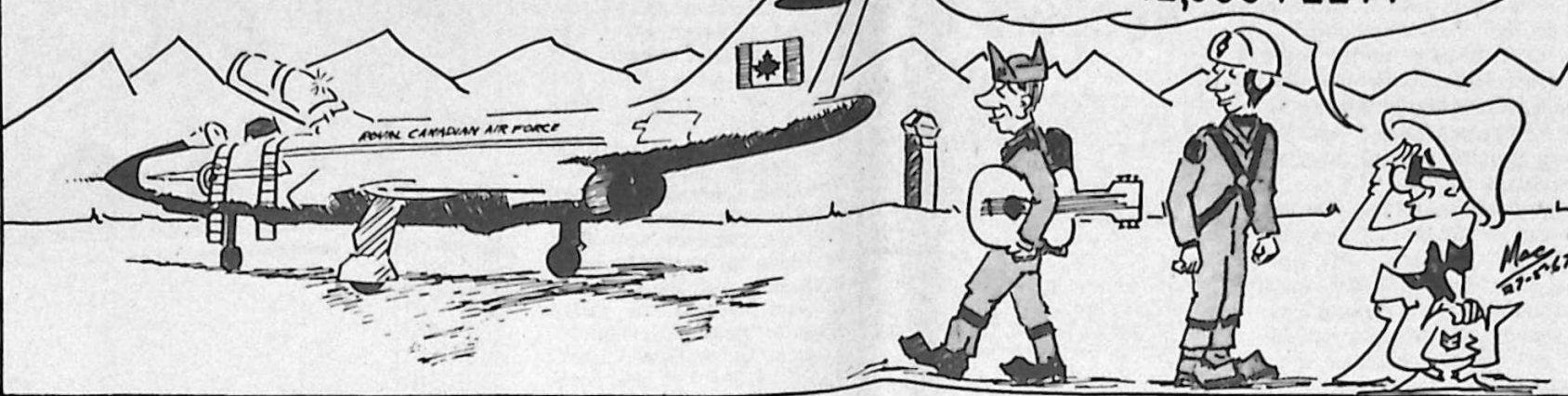
the participants in this search.

121 KU assistance was again requested on the 24th of May to locate a Cessna 140 missing on a flight from Vernon to Edgewood village, on the Lower Arrow Lake. "SAR SPENCE" began on the morning of the 24th and was over when both pilot and aircraft were located in the afternoon of the 24th. F/L Holly Deacon and crew in Albatross 9305 and F/L Al Winter and crew in Labrador 10402 were dispatched for the search.

F/L Monty Dumont and crew on Albatross 9305 were dispatched on the 25th of May to evacuate two seriously injured persons from Smithers to Vancouver. Again on the 26th of May an aircraft was dispatched for the purpose of a medical evacuation. This time F/L Jack Glazner and crew in Albatross 9301 evacuated a seriously ill nine year old child from Kitimat to Vancouver.

This brings to a close the number of incidents that 121 KU personnel and aircraft were involved in during the month of May. Although these incidents kept 121 KU fairly busy, crew and aircraft were still available to participate in three airshows: at New Westminster, Cultus Lake and Nanaimo.

TELL US F/L MARSH DOES CAPTAIN GROOVER POOLE REALLY GIVE OUT WITH THE NASHVILLE SOUND AT 42,000 FEET?



### Two Hooks and a Line

By WAYNE LAWRENCE  
Well, the word is out. Time marches on and forward with progress and all those fine cliches. All those gentlemen who joined us on Oct. 1st are going back where they came from and will be taking the rest of us with them. Totem Inn here we come! The plans, so far tentative, are for part of the Mess Hall (2000 sq. ft.) to become a games room and a complete remodeling of present club to provide a good sized lounge. The only problem I can see with this is that stairway. Fall out of the present club and you can't hurt yourself too badly, but, come September... Another thought on that. What about those people who eat in the Mess Hall? That bar will be awful close. Woody should be happy anyway.

Entertainment is coming your way hot and heavy this month. Comics every Sunday, Movies every Tuesday and Bingos on the 14th and 28th. June 1st is the date for the Club Crib Singles Championship. A trophy goes to the winner so come on out and try for it. A mixed Monte Carlo Night on June 2nd with the Sgt's and Airmen invited is labeled as a Klondike Night so come dressed appropriately. Saturday the 3rd is a Western dance and the 10th is the Armed Forces Day Dance. Lots of things for everybody to do so lets do them.

OVERHEARD AT THE BAR

Some guy trying to sell some junk. Telling everybody it's a car. Another guy trying to promote special breakfasts at the Mess Hall at 9 a.m. Mondays to help cure the After-Combo Blues. Compliments to Buzz for his steaks at the going away party for Len Wilke and Ron Bailey. I think Buzz should remuster to cook. The Mess Hall could use some of that kind of help. Screams about that beer and wine law.

Last weeks bartender (me) vowing never to serve another person who beats him playing pool. It's not that I like to win. It's just that I can't stand losing.

Guess that's all for now. Watch the next issue for more developments in the big "More Room For The Corporals" case.

The are many humorous things in the world; among them the white man's notion that he is less savage than the other savages. — Mark Twain

### POEM 121

The pilot baled from his stricken plane  
Lost amid vast untracked terrain;  
The fisherman clinging to capsized boat  
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Margorie C. Reigh.

### COINFORMATION

Having numerous calls inquiring where to purchase the Centennial Coins I thought it was time to give this information to the Totem Times. But first for the coin enthusiasts known as Numismatists, there is a local Coin Club known as the CVN, Comox Valley Numismatists. Marcel Lebrun a member of the RCAF is now presiding as president, Harvy Piercy from Courtenay is the Sec./Treasurer. If interested in joining our club contact Andy Lipko 339-2689, Marcel 339-3620 or Harvey 334-3076. We will do all we can to assist you if interested. If you are not a coin collector, but have coins you wish to evaluate, trade, or sell give one of us a call. We need new blood in our club.

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## From Your Base Flight Safety Officer

At a recent Base Flight Safety meeting the Base Commander requested that all aircrew be reminded of the light aircraft hazard that exists around the

west coast during the summer months.

Many of the pilots of these light aircraft are not familiar with this area and are not aware of the traffic at this base.

The best way to try to prevent a mid-air at Comox is to leave and return to Base under Radar Control and to keep a sharp look-out.

## Major Change in PMQ Allotment

Pill sales will undoubtedly soar as a result of the announcement last week that allocation of PMQs no longer depends on the number of points gained by years of service or squadrons of children. Effective May 15, PMQ allocation will be on a first-come, first-serve basis.

The waiting list which existed on that date was frozen, and application received after then will

be placed on the bottom of the list. Applications will be placed on the list according to the date and time which they are received, either in person or by message. In the case of a message, the date/time group on the message will be the governing factor.

In future, homes in Tye Park, will the LDH plan in Comox, will only allocated to those of WO2

rank and below. The waiting list for Tye Park was compiled in the same fashion as the waiting list for PMqs.

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## Is The Climate Changing?

In recent years, Canadians have tended to look upon their armed forces with disdain. If, indeed, they looked upon them at all. A serviceman was regarded as someone with a cushy job, whom the taxpayer supported in a symbiotic style, far above that enjoyed by the taxpayer himself. Most periodicals, when they featured stories on servicemen, took great pains to show them lolling in some exotic port, sniffing lotus blossoms and fending off luscious females. Little if anything was said of the more sanguine pursuits which brought him there.

The serviceman who remained in Canada received no attention, except when he broke the law, and his role received less. Armed forces were in the same league as death and taxes and the other two were getting a better press.

There are, however, encouraging signs that this is changing. Unification of the forces sparked a great deal of public discussion, some of it intelligent, and forced people to re-examine their attitude toward the services.

News services focused their attention on the thankless jobs done by Canadian servicemen in such places as Cyprus, Tanzania, Pakistan, New Guinea and until this week, Gaza. Canadian servicemen were suddenly to be found all over the world, doing a difficult job in a professional manner.

Suddenly too, the Canadian services were not eating up the gross national product with luxurious purchases. They were making do with some elderly equipment, and still doing the job. Writing in the current issue of Saturday Night, Arnold Edinborough says: "I came home aboard an RCAF Yukon transport. Like the Ferret scout cars in Cyprus (which Mr. Edinborough had commented upon earlier in his article) it was old and well-used. Originally bought to bail out Canada when Air Canada refused to buy them, these Yukons now are our lifeline to the Middle East. They are shabby but serviceable."

Mr. Edinborough ends his article by saying: "... having seen the superb training and effectiveness of our forces in their UN role, I thought — and still think — that we have a better defence force in Canada than we deserve. On the minimum of money and with the maximum of political sniping they are prepared to go anywhere and do any job well. If the admirals who've been pouring such vitriol out would go and look, as I did, they might find a new, self-reliant brand of soldier (or airman, or seaman) who's doing his job, understands the implications of it and is totally unconcerned about all the last-war sentiment being sobbed out in Parliament."

It has indeed been a long time since any national magazine produced some plaudits for the Canadian services, but it is indicative of a new atmosphere. And the forces themselves are helping to foster this atmosphere.

Witness, for instance the Canadian Armed Forces Tattoo. Admittedly, it doesn't show present-day servicemen doing their day-to-day job. But it does show present day servicemen doing a superbly professional job of entertaining. If these guys are that good at what is, after all, a mere sideline, how good are they at their regular jobs?

Witness too, the Canadian Armed Forces Motorcycle Team, which also puts on a well-polished professional show. Canadians from coast to coast will see the show, and wonder about the qualifications of men who can do such a professional job in a foreign environment.

And witness also the Golden Centennaires who have put together an act that is nothing short of sensational. Millions of Canadians have already been impressed by their cool professionalism, and millions more will be before the summer ends.

Across the nation in Centennial year the Canadian forces are carrying the armed forces story to Canadians as never before. By year's end, probably ninety-five per cent of all Canadians will have seen some parts of their forces in action.

Public support for the armed forces is not an easy thing to gain in peacetime. Most citizens have other things to occupy their minds. But unification, centennial projects and an inquiring press have started people thinking about the Canadian armed forces and their role in 1967 and the years to follow.

The process has been painful, but in the end result it may be worth it. The newly awakened public interest in the armed forces may turn into support of the forces in the role they are playing for Canada and the world.

And that's a lot more than the forces have been getting.

## It's Nice To Be Told

Last fall Canadian servicemen were aghast that details of the unified trade structure and pay system was released to them at the same time it was released to the nation news media. It broke a centuries old tradition which held that the last man to be informed of any change affecting the Canadian serviceman was the serviceman himself.

Well, the lightning has struck again. Although some of the details had previously been gleaned by enterprising reporters, Canadian servicemen again found out at the same time as everyone else just what the new uniform would look like.

Some slides, a short movie, and a few kind words told the uniform just what they would be wearing come 1971. Most of the questions were answered and everyone went away happy.

Many of those who walked away

commented not on the uniforms, but on the fact that the serviceman was no longer the last man in a long, broken information chain, but rather one of the first. No one could be found who was against this development.

Unification of the forces has sunk a lot of service traditions. About the first one to be scrapped was the one which said, "tell the serviceman last."

Let's hope its gone for good.

## Care With Ashtrays At All Times Urged Throughout House

A must, not only during Spring Clean-Up Week, but all year round, is the proper attention to the condition of ashtrays in every room of the home, the Canadian Underwriters' Association said today.

## GOLD AND GARISH

The combined slide and movie show by which Canadian servicemen were introduced to their new uniform the other day went quite well, until the new hat for junior officers came into view. The oohs and aahs turned into guffaws as the shiny chapeau flashed on the screen, causing several cases of snow-blindness.

Several of the pilots, who had not taken out the loss-of-license insurance, hurriedly left the room, figuring that if that was the junior officer's hat, exposure to the senior officer's hat might very well cause permanent eye damage.

The rest of the uniform is smart and attractive. According to all reports it will wear like iron, and hold a crease forever, if not longer. The rank insignia is reasonable, the shirts are top-notch, and so forth. All in all, it is a very nice uniform. But that hat?

Hats that ride around in airplanes, even nice clean Transport Command airplanes, tend to look, well, not quite the way their designer intended. Hats that ride around in ships, even spotless RCN ships, start to look a bit sea-worthy. And hats that go galloping across fields, well, they have appearance problems after a while.

So why design a hat that will loudly call attention to its defects by turning all tarnished and spotty? Gold goop may have a use in calling attention to people who rate salutes, or something, but why not reserve it for really senior people whose hats tend to get a little more care than is available to the average hat riding in some forgotten corner of some greasy airplane?

Indiscriminately slopping gold braid over the hats of all the officers in the Canadian Armed forces can only have a cheapening effect. The splendour should be reserved for those who really merit it, and not given to those who merely aspire to it.

Gold hats, yet!

## The Clincher

John Smoth of Comox, was always quite safety-minded when it came to mowing his yard. But one day he neglected to follow his usually careful routine.

The result could have been much worse than it was, but it made a point for safety just the same.

Here's how it happened:

"Knowing the danger from objects thrown by rotary power mowers, I always inspect my yard for foreign objects before mowing. I do this even though nothing is usually found.

"One time, however, for some reason I slipped up and didn't make the inspection. It almost caused a serious accident.

"While mowing a spot about 40 feet from the rear of my house I heard the blade strike on an object.

"The object was hurled through the rear screen door and imbedded itself in the kitchen wall. It narrowly missed my wife who was in the room at the time.

"I later discovered that the object was an unclean bone that we had given the dog a few days before.

"This certainly proved to me how careful you have to be both before and while you're mowing.

"You can bet I inspect without fail before I start. This incident was a real clincher for me."

## The Peace-keepers?

Canadians have accepted a great many pats on the back from each other over the peace keeping efforts of her armed forces. It is one of the cliches of the Canadian political scene that it was through Canadian efforts a major war was averted in the Middle East in 1956. As a result it was something of a shock to the Canadian ego that the edifice of peace which they constructed in the Gaza strip was torn down in the short period of 48 hours. It came as a surprise to this observer that the presence of the United Nations Forces in the Gaza strip depended on such a tenuous support as the whim of the Egyptian government.

From where this observer sits it would appear that UNEF has not maintained the peace but rather it has been the unwitting agent of the Egyptian government. At the close of the short campaign in 1956 the Egyptian forces had been thoroughly routed. They were in no position to provide their country with security or their government with support for a foreign policy. It is not surprising that in this predicament the Egyptian government should actively request the presence of UNEF on their territory.

Israel fought a preventive war with the support of Britain and France. Although the British and French governments of the day denied that there was any collusion the publication of ministerial memoirs have shown that there was Anglo-French support for the Israeli move. It was through American-Soviet pressure that the situation was returned to the status quo. UNEF was organized to give a substance to the Egyptian border which could no longer be supported by the country itself. As neither the Soviets or the Americans would allow each other to take military action to support their joint objection to the Gaza situation the formation of the UNEF was a necessary out. The UNEF can be said to have removed possible causes of international tension, but can we say that it was a peace keeping force. The war was over. What the UNEF did was ensure that the peace would be a Soviet-American peace.

It has become obvious over the years since 1956 that there has been little effort to remove the causes of the war. To what purpose should the presence of a peace keeping force be dedicated but to maintain the status quo until the parties have negotiated a lasting peace. Otherwise we would be obligated to maintain the force for all time. It is obvious that the major powers have exerted little pressure on the important parties in this dispute, Israel and Egypt, to settle their differences. So it should be no surprise to anyone that once the Egyptian government considered its forces strong enough it should request the removal of the UNEF. Also it should not come as a surprise that Israel might request the UNEF to form up on its border.

It is in the interest of Canada that international tensions should be alleviated. But we should not fool ourselves that our function as members of the UNEF was in any real sense peace keeping. Our presence in the Gaza strip ensured the existence of Egypt as it existed in 1956. The announcement that UNEF was to be withdrawn at the request of the Egyptian government was only an indication that the Egyptians consider themselves capable of providing for their own security. And perhaps a little Egyptian revenge would be in order.

## Centennial flag waving for R.C.N. ships

Canadian warships this summer will visit 120 harbours and inlets along the salt and fresh water shores of Canada.

Fifteen Commonwealth and foreign nations are "showing the flag" in Canada during Centennial year. Sailors from ports as widespread as Bombay, Copenhagen, Lisbon and La Spezia will parade with colours flying through the streets of Halifax. Sailors of the Soviet Union, the USA and France will be among those visiting Expo-67.

The warships vary in size and role as widely as the countries they represent. Sleek guided missile destroyers will mingle with sturdy veterans.

The grace and beauty of full spread sail will once again be seen in the Atlantic Provinces.

At Expo-67, the visiting ships may be seen clearly from the exposition grounds. Visitors can step on board for a closer look. Week by week throughout the summer, ships of 14 different nations will be arriving to participate in their country's national day, their men in some cases

taking an active part in the observances.

As well as Expo calls, Commonwealth and foreign ships will take part in a formal Atlantic assembly at Halifax June 21-26. A total of 40 ships, 17 of them Canadian, will be moored in lines from the Angus L. Macdonald bridge south beyond George Island under the shadow of the Halifax citadel. By day they'll be dressed overall with flags and bunting and by night, a spectacle of light and colour.

Destroyers will be present from almost every western European country. India, Portugal and Columbia will each send a frigate. The US cruiser Newport News will be one of the largest ships at the assembly. Italy's sail-training ship Corsaro II one of the most colorful.

A Pacific naval assembly, involving 22 foreign and Canadian warships, will be staged in the Vancouver-Victoria area July 14-25. The night spectacle will be dramatized by elaborate fireworks displays. At Vancouver the assembly coincides

## News or Rumour?

The Canadian public was treated to one more example of the shallow, sensational approach of their news services last week when the CBC reported that Volkswagen Canada Ltd. was close to bankruptcy. The report originated with the CBC Bonn correspondent who is supposed to have got the information from Volkswagen sources. However Volkswagen in Germany is making no comment according to the Financial Post. The managing director of the Canadian firm, Karl Barths, has called the report "fantastic rubbish." Mr. Barths further stated that the company had "no debt position whatever." It seems strange that the CBC didn't check with Canadian "sources" before releasing the story.

It is perhaps natural that the newshound with his nose to the wind should twitch at rumours after all where there's smoke there's fire. When the newshound's buddy down at the plant tells him over a beer that rumour has it the sky is falling in, out goes the report that "unconfirmed reports indicate that the sky is falling in." The surprising thing is that the editor at the other end does not walk outside and check the sky but feeds the unconfirmed report to the public. Unconfirmed reports indicate that this procedure is adopted because of two theories: the shock effect will smoke out the truth and where there's smoke, there's fire.

Those of us in the unified armed forces have become quite accustomed to such phrases as "unconfirmed sources," "unconfirmed reports," "usually reliable informants," "the third cousin of Admiral Smaltz's Aunt Tiesie states," etc. "Chicken Little" etc. brings us to another rather interesting technique of our news media the fireless smoke for lack of a better name. Our tireless, old buddy Newshound has had a bad week on his beat at the defense department — they removed all the fireplugs. So in order to enliven things Newshound gets an interview with the opposition defense critic. During the interview he propounds this question: "Uh, Sir, my sources indicate that the government plans to abolish the department of national defense. Do you have any comment?"

With the celerity of a skunk in flight the defense critic spews forth his views knowing that there is an issue on which he cannot go wrong.

"The government has gone mad as expected. No right thinking Canadian could tolerate such a policy which is contrary to the principles of peace and motherhood. It's high treason, a scandal, and unpatriotic, etc."

The next day Newshound's paper has a big article with the headline "Abolition of Defense Madness" with a report of the interview. From this time Newshound merely has to go from official to official asking for comments on what the others have said. By the end of the week the situation can be jazzed up with a little speculation about the fall of the government or the resignation of the defense minister. The whole situation fizzles to an end when the department of defense announces that it had changed its name to the department of unified forces. Where there's smoke there's fire.

Which all leads us back to the original purpose of this article. One, we support that enlightened group of grammarians who wish to revive the archaic meaning of rumour; "a continuing, confused noise; clamor; din..." Two, we praise that sturdy fraternity of editors who always prefer trivial filler to sensational rumour. Three, we suggest that the next time your sky falls in, don't tell anyone unless you can stomach being referred to as "usually reliable sources."



## SPIT AND POLISH STILL HERE

All those who were confident that the introduction of the new uniform would mean the end of polishing shoes and boots can now proceed to the store to buy new shoe brushes and polish to replace those that they so incautiously discarded. The shoes that go with the new uniform are leather, man, and require hours of care to give off a gleam that will cause a reviewing officers eye to give off a matching gleam.

From the ankles up, the technological changes which have revolutionized the clothing industry have been recognized by DND designers as they strived to achieve the very best for the new

uniform. But from the ankles down? Well, that's a cow of a different colour. Leather is to be the material used in the construction of the shoe in which we shall all get out of step. Good old leather, which has provided so much spare time enjoyment for Canadian servicemen who sought none too willingly to prove the drill sergeant's ridiculous assumption that the damned stuff would shine.

This despite the invention by Du Pont several years ago of a substance called Corfam which reportedly so approximates natural leather that some cows have

attempted to nurse it. It lasts like a forty-pound turkey for the month after Christmas; that is to say indefinitely. It is comfortable, easy on the feet, and possesses other advantages that we won't discuss on a free basis. But most of all it requires no polishing. Just wipe it with a damp cloth and it is restored to its original lustre.

But then, someone did say that unification of the forces would not result in the destruction of the traditions of the forces. Is spit-and-polish a tradition we can't live without?

It sure looks as though we'll never find out.

## Royal Canadian Commandos

A columnist for the Toronto Telegram, Major McKenzie Porter MC has suggested that the Canadian Armed Forces be completely reorganized into three Commando divisions. Porter, writing in a Maclean's Magazine feature "For The Sake of Argument" said that unification of the three services offers the opportunity to do this.

Porter proposes that the Canadian Forces be formed into three divisions of Commandos with a strength of 15,000 men each. His choice of a division is based on the axiom that a division is the smallest self-sufficient military unit. The division would contain land, sea and air elements trained to "attack and destroy" or "attack and hold" until relieved. No long-term commitments would be made for the proposed experts in com-

bined operations. Major Porter bases his idea on several assumptions: Canada cannot defend herself alone; Canadian defence efforts are largely wasted in piecemeal detachments; and that trying to emulate all the functions of a military power like the US or the UK spreads our resources too thinly. The Canadian forces are largely serving only as augmentation to larger allied formations, he says, and as a consequence, their worth is not equal to their cost.

If the plan proposed by Porter were followed, Canadian Forces would be withdrawn from NATO and NORAD and UN peace-keeping units. All three divisions would stay in Canada, one on detachment in the arctic, another on manoeuvres from coast to coast, and another on alert for immediate deployment.

Major Porter also suggests that the system of moving families around with servicemen is a costly luxury that is totally unnecessary with today's fast jet transports. "With frequent rotations leaves the serviceman would not need to go home every night to his wife and children. This, says Porter, quickly turns servicemen into civil servants, destroying fighting spirit."

A role like that proposed by Major Porter would mean the end of antisubmarine navies, anti-aircraft missile squadrons, and the "jolly policemen role". Porter does not say what would happen to search and rescue units or long range transport units. Neither does he add what would happen to the country's divorce rate, or the service's recruitment rate. But then, he doesn't have to solve the problems, just create them.

## Motor Vehicle Inspection Team Results

The recent Motor Vehicle Inspection Team visit to the Base pointed out a large number of minor discrepancies considering the number of vehicles processed. Although this was expected, it just goes to show how careless and indifferent we may become when it comes to carrying out a DI on our private car.

For example, there were 42 lights because of licence plate lights not working; 6 for horns not usable; several for malfunctioning tail lights and 17 for parking brakes not in holding condition.

One of the more important aspects, defective mufflers, added another 35 rejects and faulty brake connections registered 7 more. Visibility and mirror adjustments tallied 13 and stop lights 8.

Mind you, this was the object of the inspection! To bring to operators attention defects which could cause trouble or accidents if not corrected. Wheel alignment and steering mechanism was responsible for 90 more. These latter deficiencies are perhaps a bit more difficult for the owner to detect as special equipment was needed to pinpoint these weak features.

During the 4 day period a total of 453 vehicles were processed. Out of this number, 164 passed the original inspection and 71 more on re-inspection which represented approximately 59% of all cars inspected.

This article is not meant as any rebuke or criticism but only as a challenge to the imagination and a constant reminder to all, that we as car drivers perhaps can do much to keep our vehicle in top notch road running condition thereby decreasing the accident potential.

## POINTLESS PMQs

In the olden days of the RCAF, days of button sticks and Goblin engine manuals, one of the most interesting subjects for married types was the PMQ point system. Points were allotted on a basis of fertility and longevity, after a while a clever young fellow would come to the obvious conclusion that children were good, ten points good. Some wily chap was always around to marry that widow with three kids, (thirty points, ready made). Those without issue to their marital union could only look forward to getting their first PMQ at the same time that they pinned up their Clasp to the CD.

Constitution reigned in the "houses of many dependents" when the system was changed; kids became worth only half their previous pointage. Many people sold the crib and baby carriage; a dangerous move. To their credit, most families did keep their little dependents, five points is five points after all. Energy was devoted now to living longer in the air force than others on the list.

The story ends, not with an answer, but a question. Now that the system has been changed to "first come first served," what in the world are you going to do with all those kids?

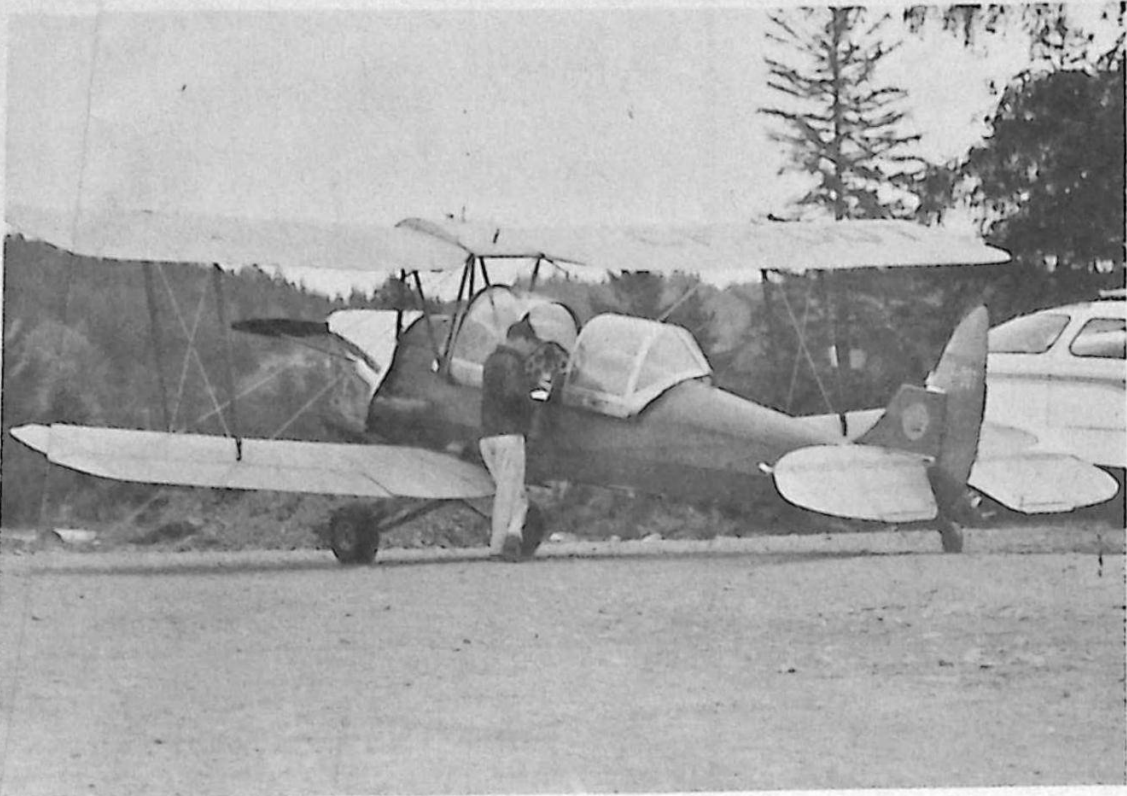
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**McBRIEN TARGET SPOTTED IN LOCAL AIRPARK** — While Bob Pomerleau anxiously prowls the flight line at CFB Comox, dissecting any CF-100 which comes within range of his wrench, the real target is given a pre-flight inspection at the Courtenay Airpark. It is rumoured that the secret target is very manoeuvrable and can turn well inside the radius of the Voodoos which will participate in the shoot. Its low speed makes it difficult for the competitors to formate on it and discover its design characteristics. One major difference from the CF-100 decoys is that the back seat-rider is the driver in this machine.

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## TATTOO TERRIFIC

"The grandest spectacular show of all," carols the ungrammatical ad for the Canadian Armed Forces Tattoo, and that ad might just possibly be the only unprofessional thing connected with the Tattoo. It is grand. It is spectacular. It is magnificent. From the opening fanfare to the closing cymbal crash it is a superbly paced, tightly run professional show produced by and starring that much maligned animal, the Canadian serviceman.

The overture, which was composed by the Tattoo's director of Music, Capt REJ Milne, gets the show underway. As the last notes of the overture fade, there is a flourish of trumpets which brings on the Massed Bands playing marches, which have been associated with Canada and Canadian units.

As the bands retire, the lights go dim, and when they come up again the audience is looking at a French garrison, circa 1665. It is a complete vignette of seventeenth century Canadian life. Indians play bagatelle, cures stroll, and the guard returns from watching the couriers-de-bois scalp beavers. When the troops prove their muskets, the audience jumps.

From a seventeenth century French fort the spectators are transported to an eighteenth century British fort and allowed to watch the life of those halcyon days. The pipes and drums provide music for an animated evening, wherein one Scotsman starts the ancient tradition of the beer-call.

Another quick change, and the nineteenth century navy comes to life. Four gun-crews have a race to see which of them can dismantle their gun, cart it over a series of obstacles, re-assemble it, fire it, and then return to the starting point.

The next vignette is the Drummer Boy's Dream, and for many people, it is the highlight of the show. As the little drummer boy falls asleep, his dream materializes, and a mock battle is fought by some of the most well-disciplined toy soldiers and cavalry ever seen.

Then the massed bands come back, to entertain the spectators with some of the songs and marches to which Canadians marched off to the Boer War. This is followed by a nine-minute intermission.

Following the intermission, the audience is transported back in time to 1911 and shown a typical day at HMC Dockyard, Halifax. One way said that the navy hadn't changed much to this day.

The next sketch is entitled "The Legacy of Freedom," and it portrays battle scenes in both World Wars. Bodies drop so realistically that one wonders about where they get their replacements. A Spitfire snarls into action and disappears from sight, using remarkable little runway.

Then it's back to the massed bands. But this time, instead of marches, they play such songs as Tijuana Taxi, Baby Elephant Walk, Spanish Flea, Pass Me By, and others. It is quite impressive.

Then there is a comedy sketch showing a reconnaissance patrol which blunders into a small community which comes to life only once in every sixty-seven years. The other half of the motorcycle team appears in this sketch, and to good advantage.

Massed pipes and drums come next, and a stirring spectacle it is. It leads off with a drum salute, and then the pipes come wailing in, leaving no decibel untuned.

The gymnastic display which follows is also rather breathtaking. One line of gymnasts vaulting a high horse is a pretty routine spectacle, but two lines, ninety degrees apart, vaulting the same horse is not. The timing must be perfect, and this night it is. Another very impressive feat.

Suddenly, a space ship descends from the sky, to the accompaniment of some marvelous sound effects. Just as suddenly there appears a raiding party bent on capturing it. Soldiers launch from the stadium roof and slide down ropes to the infield. Armored cars appear. Bombs go off, guns, hundreds of them, fire. Smoke, noise, and soot fill the stadium. No one ever figures out who wins, but it is a wonderful war, and the space device is suitably captured.

Then, all too soon, it is time for the grand finale. The massed bands of musicians and pipers come back on the field, along with the rest of the cast of millions. The grand finale, like the rest of the Tattoo, is extremely well handled.

The Tattoo is the most glittering of the Canadian forces' Centennial projects. It is a superb spectacle which will carry the Armed Forces' story to millions of Canadians before the

year is over. No effort has been spared to make it an authentic, gripping story. Money has been spent with a lavish hand, and one can just see the old DND policy of "Make it up, Wear it Out; Use it up, Do without," lying shattered to bits on the floor. But the money has been spent wisely.

It has purchased authentic costumes, authentic makeup, authentic weapons. It has purchased batteries of lights and bundles of sound effects. And it has purchased training time so that the "grandest spectacular show of all" might also be the most professional show of all, and it is.

The tremendously professional manner in which the show has been conceived and presented is an indication of the professional manner in which all Canadian servicemen approach their jobs. The show is so good that even a taxpayer will like it.

If you can possibly arrange it, make sure that you see the Tattoo. It's that good.

## Bike Show Triumphs

An estimated total of 5,000 spectators overflowed Lewis Park Stadium and oozed out onto the outfield grass to form a human wall to watch the Canadian Armed Forces Motorcycle display team put on one of the best acts of Centennial year. Teeny-boppers in mini-skirts and granny-boppers in maxi-skirts oohed and aahed as the riders, under the direction of Captain Jack Burman, demonstrated absolute mastery of their vehicles.

Sharp at the advertised hour of 1930, the show commenced. Capt. Burman, who acted as MC for the show, brought the riders on, introduced the lieutenant and the sergeant, then started in with the safety display which is an integral part of the show. A specially painted yellow bike is used to illustrate the points which Capt. Burman makes.

The show started. Sixteen bikes were suddenly doing a figure eight pattern, while the crowd waited for the timing to go blooey and create a heap of instant junk right in front of their very eyes. But it didn't, and all of a sudden the team was doing a double figure of eight. Once again, there was no junk.

The next few acts combined riding skill with gymnastic talent. Riders rode past in handstands, backwards, upside down and inside out. Well, maybe not inside out, but they did everything else.

Suddenly, there was an inferno blazing. Someone, we were told, was going to fly a motorcycle through it. What's more, someone did. Right through it. And he didn't even catch fire, either.

Again, there was a succession of acrobatic stunts. People on ladders doing headstands while their motorcycles carried on far below them. A bike with a sidecar lost the sidecar wheel, with no effect on its progress at all.

Then, what's this? Those eleven guys, lying down? And what's that ramp in front of them. And you Captain, with the microphone, why are you lying down beside them? You say that that motorcycle is going to come up over that ramp, jump those twelve guys, of which you are number 12, and carry on unimpeded? And you are not even going to put down your microphone? Tell me Captain, what kind of a noise would it make over the PA system if the rider was to misjudge? But the rider doesn't misjudge, and it is a breathtaking act.

Look over there. A wall of bricks and another ramp. Surely he isn't going to ride his bike through. . . no he couldn't be going to try. . . mlgawd he is. . . kerblaa. . . say, that did

scatter a lot of bricks around, didn't it? And how about the rider? He's fine. Neither snow nor rain nor sleet nor bricks will stop these guys from doing their tricks.

After that, the riders contented themselves with mundane stunts such as seventeen riders on a single bike, a fifteen man pyramid on five bikes, and another figure eight ride that had the spectators anxiously awaiting the collisions.

Then it was over, and the crowd was invited onto the field for a closer look at the bikes and the riders. All the teeny-boppers crowded around to admire the drivers, while their sullen boy-friends tried to look interested in the bikes. Then it was all over, except for getting out of Lewis Park, a noteworthy trick in itself.

It is by education I learn to do by choice what other men do by the constraint of fear. — Aristotle.

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## from up in my perch

Last weekend as I was rummaging through some old Goblin engine manuals I came across my old Trades Badge I had placed there as a bookmark. This little discovery turned me all misty-eyed as my thoughts drifted back to my days at the old Alma Martyr, Camp Borden.

Those wonderful old days of Duty Watch, Fire Picket and Security Guard. Remember the "do it yourself" mess hall? If you didn't like the food you could go in and help them do it, yourself. I hope you're not one of those poor unfortunates who missed the Easter Sunday Dinner that had all the maggots in it; that was a riot that nobody should have missed.

How about the barber, affectionately known as the "Borden Butcher", and I wonder what ever happened to the guy who used to sell the sheepskin button polishers?

I have always thought back with affection and admiration on the Corporals and Senior NCO's who tirelessly patrolled the barracks making sure that we never ran short of such items as a certificate to have a portrait taken to end home, or real flowers imbedded in real plastic, an ideal gift. Weekend excursion trips to Tarana, Hamilton, Morreel or where ever, "better grab this one fella, only six other guys going in this coupe." I know of one "Genuine German Luger" that was raffled off at least nine times in five weeks. Such devotion to their subordinates welfare has to be admired.

I remember the terror that gripped my heart when a Corporal stopped me one day and told me my shirt pocket flap was not buttoned down. When he let me off with just a stern warning not to let it happen again, I made a solemn promise that when I finally rose to the dizzy heights of Corporal, I too, would be kind. So now, dammit, there's nobody to be kind to.

It must be spring, I see the Flight, Oops, I mean Officer Cadets are back. Just a few weeks behind the robins this year. Sgt. Jerry Potvin is back from the Brainwashing in Good Ole Camp Borden. He brought back enough rumors to fill a special edition.

I caught a glimpse of an order the other day that said the age limit for promotion to Sgt. is 34 years, after that I guess you just start changing the dates on your birth certificate.

Speaking of orders, here's a thought. Airmen, sleeves rolled above the elbow. Officers are not to roll their sleeves. Now, doesn't the thought of a naked elbow with a commission shock you silly?

Cpl. Yvon Geneau, a persistent grass grower, is now trying to grow flowers up there in Kiddleland. Lots of luck Yvon.

Cpl. Moe Morrisson is mad as a wet hen, seems somebody scooped his personal fishnet used to decorate the Cpl's Bar-B-Que during a recent function. Also listed among the scooped are 19 small and several large checked table cloths. Tsk, tsk. Just in case no one has noticed the increase in the entertainment activities in the Cpl's Club lately, a night without a function is considered an event worth noting. A big bouquet to the entertainment committee.

Sunnyside Golf Course, which is owned almost entirely by 121 KU Officers is sporting mushrooms on at least three greens. Well done, Gentlemen, my compliments to your greenskeeper.

Tiny Collings has come up with a new answer to the rising crime rate, repeal some of the

laws so that there will be fewer laws to break.

The Military Police have caught another Canine Infiltrator. Keep up the good work men.

The price of booze is going up, again. I hope they raise the baby bonus enough to cover this most recent and serious rise in the cost of living.

All the minority groups that scream about discrimination and persecution. What about the majority groups that are constantly bombarded with persecution and discrimination? I speak of the silent majorities, the drinkers, the drivers and the smokers. Don't drink, don't drive and stop smoking. What would happen if all these wayward rascals really did stop, say tomorrow? There would be no tax revenue from the liquor, tobacco and gasoline taxes, not to mention several thousands of people thrown out of work. Could the country really run without them? While I'm definitely not in favor of drinking and driving, and have quit smoking myself, I just wanted to point out some of the benefits of these pitfalls to society.

AMUS' Sgt. Durocher, soon to be on his way to Tanzania, has been losing weight as fast as he can. I think somebody has been feeding him stories about African cannibals. Another weight shedder is Cpl. Jim Work of Base Workshops, seems somebody reads this column.

Bob Nanckerville, who was trying to thaw Miss Ice Cube has given up.

Good ole FS Lloyd George Scarfe will be coming home for a weeks R & R in a brand new Olds. I didn't think there was that kind of money in pounding drums like that.

Cpl. Monk has been taking Chess lessons from an expert. Rumor of the week. They're

going to hand out Squadron Leader Ranks the same way they handed out Corporals. So there will be some more instant Vets around.

Runner up for Rumor of the Week: The Radio Officers position in the Dak is going to be converted to a baggage compartment. There is a message there someplace fellows.

And Finally: there will be fewer postings to El Arish in the future. I hope.

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## Drowning Toll Increases

The drowning statistical survey published recently by the Canadian Red Cross shows that drownings in 1966 increased 14 1/2 per cent to 1,265. The majority of these casualties were associated with boating activities, swimming, wading and accidental falls into the water.

Nearly 28 per cent of the fatalities involved boating mishaps. Drownings occurring while persons were swimming or wading increased more than 53 per cent to 273 victims. About the same number of persons lost their lives as a result of falling into the water, including falling overboard. This includes 36 persons who fell into wells, ditches, sloughs, tanks and excavations.

There were increases of 100 per cent or more in the categories covering drowning associated with Diving into Water, Attempted Rescue, Non-aquatic Vehicle, Seizure and Occupations.

The age group between 13 and 21 continues to record the highest number of fatalities with 293. This represents more than 23 per cent of the total figure.

While statistics are not complete, figures show that at least 170 children under 12 years of age drowned because there were no adults supervising them.

The increase in drownings over 1965 was probably due to the extraordinary fine weather that most parts of Canada enjoyed in 1966. People took to the water in greater numbers, and more frequently too, in order to make the most of the good weather. This increased the probability of accidental drowning and the figures bear this out in the final results.

The Red Cross has no alternative but to keep harping on the subject of water safety and to continue expanding its educational programs until the annual death toll by drowning decreases to a realistic figure. Drownings can never be totally prevented but they definitely can be reduced substantially if everyone makes an honest effort of becoming more aware of water safety principles and practices.

## DRESS REHEARSAL FOR DROWNING

The Red Cross has come up with a unique approach to teaching water safety. It's called Survival Swimming and it's a brand new course in the water safety educational program. The idea is that if you can go through a simulated drowning situation and learn what to do to save yourself, you'll know what to do when the real thing happens.

In more ways than one, it's like a dress rehearsal for a drowning because most of the items in the course require the candidate to wear light clothing instead of a bathing suit. For example, there's the Forward Roll Entry into the water. This is done with clothes on and the idea is to learn what it's like to land in the water in an awkward position, not knowing which way is up. Learning how to orient yourself quickly in a situation like that helps you to overcome panic and drowning.

The courses are conducted under the competent guidance and protection of Red Cross Trained Instructors and will be available in most communities this summer.

Survival Swimming is for swimmers and non-swimmers alike. The course can be taken entirely on its own or as part of the regular Red Cross swimming program after the Junior level.

This summer, we suggest you learn to survive, and stay alive!

## LION NEWS

Canadian quarterback Pete Ohler is returning to professional football with the B.C. Lions after a two-year retirement.

The Lions announced the signing of the six-two, 220-pound Vancouver native today.

Ohler, 26, a former varsity quarterback with the University of Washington Huskies, was player-coach with Victoria Steelers of the Pacific Football League last year and was a unanimous choice as the league's all-star quarterback.

The Lions today also announced the signing of another prospect from the Pacific League. He is split end Paul Burleson, 25, a six-two, 190-pound former first-stringer with the University of Oregon, Burleson played for Eugene last season and placed second in pass receiving (46 receptions for 592 yards) and touchdowns (9). Burleson at the University of Oregon caught 27 passes for 476 yards and seven touchdowns in his three-year career.

Ohler, a strong and accurate passer, joined the Lions in 1963 and beat out six-year veteran Canadian Earl Keeley as back-up quarterback.

Ohler left the Lions after the 1964 season when he couldn't come to terms with the club. He taught at Vancouver College in 1965 and joined Victoria Steelers last season. He completed 130 of 208 passes, a 62.5 per cent average, for 1,366 yards and 14 touchdowns.

The B.C. Lions have signed a strong, quick offensive lineman who won unqualified praise from his coach and teammates at Michigan State University. JERRY WEST: Off Guard - 21-5'11" - 235 lbs. Michigan State

University.

Called the "unsung hero" of the school's 1965 national championship team by Michigan State Coach Duffy Daugherty, West's acquisition was announced today by Dave Skrien, head coach of the Canadian Football League Lions.

Coaches, opponents, teammates and a score of sports-writers labelled West as the Spartans' strongest blocker.

Former MSU quarterback Steve Juday was one of West's most ardent boosters, often commenting how well West had opened the holes. Juday, the offensive captain, recommended West for the game ball following a game against Northwestern in 1965—the year MSU took the national title with a 10-1 record.

Coach Daugherty as head coach at State, has said that West "...is one of the best we've had since I've been here."

# LADIES' BOWLING



### Prizes For Playoff Champs

Left to right are (front row): Mrs. I. Roque, Mrs. D. Fenn, Mrs. J. Curtis, Mrs. G. Cashman, Mrs. J. Ruthven. Back row: Mrs. J. Potvin, Mrs. J. Lothian and Mrs. J. Makowichuk.

—Times Photo



PRESENTING AWARDS for season champs is Mr. Glover, of Butterworth's moving and Storage. Left to right, front row: Mrs. M. Worthington, Mrs. T. Grey. Back row: Mrs. Rita Wright, Mrs. J. Gurr, Mrs. B. Neal, Mrs. P. Reader, Mrs. P. Knight.

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RECEIVING PRIZES for a high single of 308 and a high triple of 689 and high average 185 (l. to r.) are: Mrs. J. Makowichuk (president), Mrs. M. Legg and Mrs. G. Foster.

The presentation of bowling trophies was made to the winning teams. Also included in the agenda were various consolation prizes.

Afterwards a delicious smorgasbord was served by the combined mess.

Most teams made their own

## BIKE RODEO

The Wallace Gardens Community Council will hold the preliminaries of their Giant Bicycle Rodeo at 9 o'clock, Saturday morning, June 3rd, in the Glacier Gardens.

The rodeo is open to all boys and girls ages 8 to 12 who live in PMQ's. Entry forms were passed out in the school this week and it is hoped that they were all returned.

There will be two categories for the numerous prizes. The first, the "Bicycle Safety Operator" category, all contestants who successfully complete the Rodeo course will receive a special certificate. The finals for this event will be held at 9 o'clock, Saturday morning, June the 10th in the Arena.

The second category is the "Best Decorated Bike" will be open to all contestants except the finalist of the Safety Operators Rodeo. Judging of this category will be held after the finals, June 10th.

A note to Parents: A good mechanical check-up of your child's bike would greatly improve his or her chances of completing the Rodeo course successfully.

ANSWER TO PUZZLE ON PAGE 4

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## MIXED AND SERVICE LEAGUE BOWLING WINNERS



**THE MIXED LEAGUE** Wednesday night champs and the eventual winners of the rolloff were "The Nuts and Bolts." Left to right are: Mrs. Addie Limin, Mr. Bob Limin, Mrs. Ruth Porier, Mr. Paul Porier, Mrs. Joan Makowichuk and Mr. Vic Makowichuk.



**THE MEN'S SERVICE LEAGUE** rolloff champs were "The Headpins." Left to right, front row: Mr. J. Olynk, Mr. R. Caron, Mr. J. Richard, Mr. J. Bowie. Back row: Mr. D. Forrestal, Mr. B. Whitehead, Mr. C. McNeil, Mr. L. Connor.



**MR. JOHN SPIERS** was the winner of the Men's Service League High Average at 233 and the Mixed League High Average at 234.



**MRS. JERRY HALL** had the Ladies High Average in the Mixed League at 218.



**MR. JOHN ELLIOT** had the High Single in the Men's League with a score of 395.



**SGT JACK FOSTER** had the Men's High Single in the Mixed League with a score of 380.

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by: W01 J.W. VAN BUSKIRK  
COST IS NO OBJECT:  
Figuring up the costs of boat repair, motor fuel, lost gear and other little sideline issues that go with salmon fishing, I paid approximately \$28.00 a pound last season. I know what you are going to say, "but look at the fun you had", and that too is a moot point.

I'm tempted to pack it in this year and sit at home in a shady yard playing jacks with a pocket knife or reading novels like "Candy" for instance. I'm aware that frustrations, sunburn, sea sickness and disappointments are all part of the program and that a person should really learn to roll with the punches, however, in common sense terms or with any consideration for economics, I should quit.

I know that I would miss rolling out of bed at daybreak, paddling around the kitchen in my bare feet preparing coffee and nursing a rain soaked motor through a coughing spasm, but I think that I could do it if I tried.

Then too, I would miss the friendly atmosphere out on the chuck. People waving pleasantly and hurling beer bottles out in the water to bob around like little elves in the boat's wake. The sign language is always an interesting experience as well. I'm never quite certain whether twofingers being held up means the fellow caught a fish, V for victory or some kind of a dirty insult. However, if the fellow smiles I take it as a favorable omen and raise

several fingers myself. You shouldn't display too many digits though or people will hover around you for hours trying to get a peek into your boat. I find that if you just use your thumb and index finger to form an "O", they will scoot right by just looking sorry for you.

I had never seen so many women fishermen until I came to the Pacific coast. You never see them out on the Atlantic. I don't know whether they really enjoy it or just want to see if "Harry" is actually fishing. In any event they are stretched out knitting, reading or just soaking up the sunshine which all contributes greatly to this togetherness business. Fishing must have soothing qualities because I even see fellows taking their mother-in-laws along.

Primarily I don't enjoy the motion of those huge waves that seem to come from no-where, breaking over my bow. Your lunch gets all soggy, the bottom falls out of your beer carton and that cold, salty water being dashed in your face certainly doesn't send you into gales of laughter.

Yes, I'm tempted to quit! I feel like it in any event, both from the practical as well as the sensible standpoint. Yet I have a strange inner feeling that when the word comes, and come it surely will, that the Bluebacks are in, I will be tossing bologna sandwiches to a brown, paper bag and hit that old chuck like a surf board enthusiast.

How about that!



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Lindley of Lincolnshire, England, to F/O John Brennan will take place at 2 p.m. at C.F.B. Comox, followed by a reception at the Officers Mess, C.F.B. Comox.

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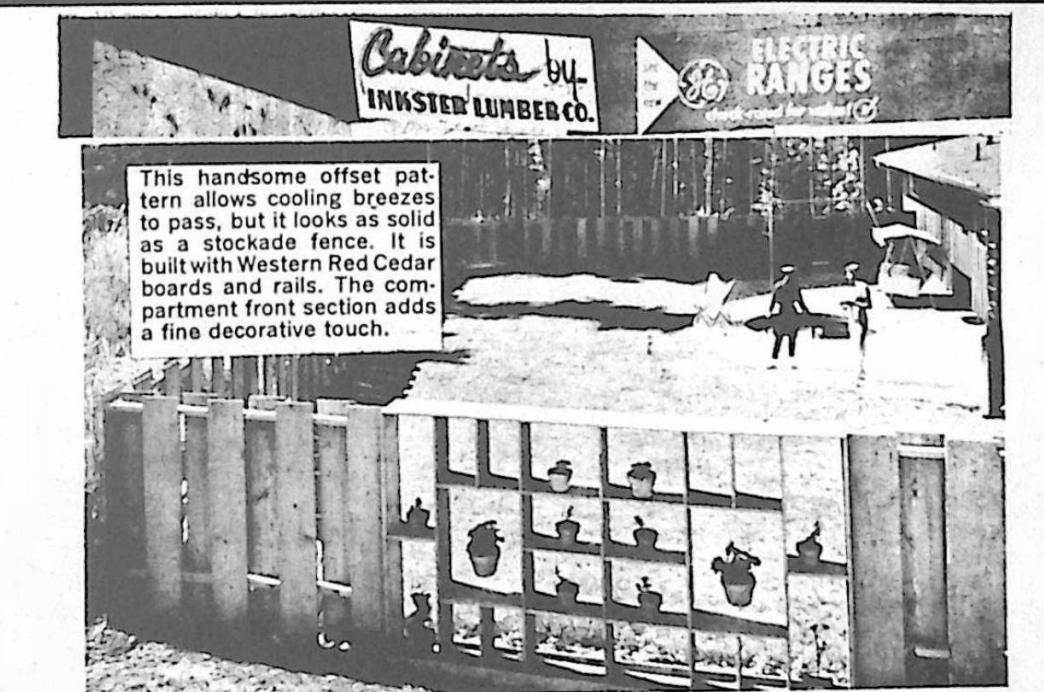
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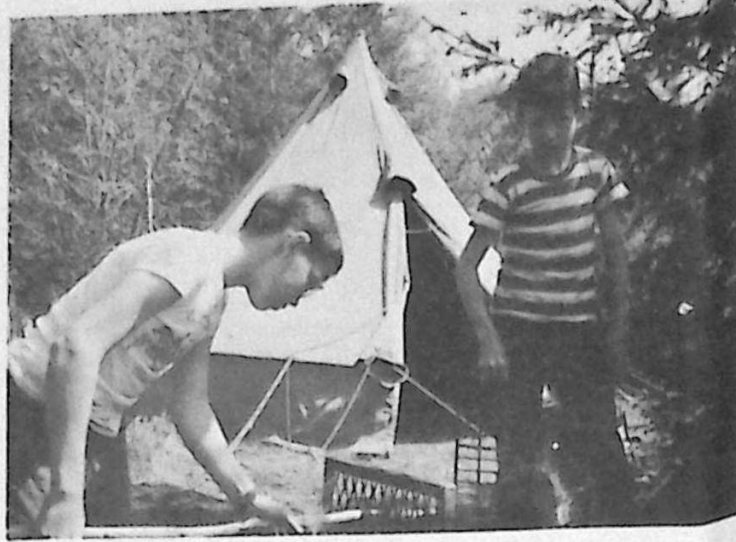
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# CAMPOREE ACTIVITIES



Left to right — David Reid, Mike Cando, Brian Forster, Mike Morton and Keith Sibbert, with a completed "A" frame which had to be constructed within a maximum of 15 minutes.



Left to right — Jerry Dubois and Peter Makowichuk. It is reported that these two boys were sabotaging supper.



R.C. services were conducted by Padre Charles Brandt from the Hermitage at Merville.



Protestant services were conducted by Gord Palmer, a Lay Reader in the Anglican church.

## AROUND THE COUNCIL ROCK

The Scout Camporee held at the Oyster Bowl 20-21-22, May 1967 was a great success. 164 boys from Discovery Passage and Comox Valley met for three days of competitions and fun, under the direction of Bob Sibbert, DC, and Pete Mugford, DSM. The boys competed for many honours, including two spirit staffs, and a horn.

I understand that 2 or 3 of the leaders are still looking for the cook (Don Bowen). They claim he wasn't a cook.

The Venturers were also at the camp to lend an able hand with

both the cooking and the competitions.

David Reid brought home the honours for being the slowest one through the obstacle course.

Camp broke up at 2:00 p.m. on Monday to the relief of the leaders. All came home tired but pleased with the events of the weekend. So much for Scouts and Venturers.

On June 3rd, from 1300 to 1700 hours at Lewis Park in Courtenay, Mac Carswell, DCM, will direct a cuboree. This is to be a fun day with games and competitions of many varieties. The

theme will be provincial, for which each Pack has been assigned a Province to represent.

Handicraft and provincial displays made up by the boys will be judged for quality, quantity and originality.

Parents of cubs, and any other interested persons are invited to this event, and it is to be hoped that a large number will attend.

All cubs will have to be delivered to Lewis Park by their parents, and must report to their assigned province. Please support your cubs, and show them

that you are interested in what they are doing that one night of the week when they are out from under your feet for an hour or so.

Jock Smythe (the all-purpose Chairman of your Group Committee) along with six Cubs and Scouts, and myself managed to turn about 2 1/2 ton of bottles into hard cash on the morning of May 13th, much to the delight of our treasurer, Bob Limin, who perhaps felt his account was getting low.

SEE YOU SATURDAY AT THE CUBOREE IN LEWIS PARK!!!

## Sergeant's Mess News

Congratulations to Doug Lloyd on his recent promotion to WO2. Doug is presently serving the Mess as Chairman of the Entertainment Committee and can be seen most any time casting covetous glances at the PMCs chair now that he qualifies for the top job. Doug has been heard to mumble around about number two trying harder or something like that, but it cannot be verified whether or not he means U Drives or Committee jobs. Congratulations and a big welcome to the Mess are also in order for Cpls J.C. McLaughlin and E. T. Supplies who recently were promoted to Sergeant. It is to be hoped that you enjoy your stay at the Mess, and we surely will become better acquainted soon.

All those attending the Klondike Night last week have reported an enjoyable time. FS Art Raiwet obviously came prepared to win the beauty contest however all those who were approached to act as judges politely but firmly refused. Watch for the flyers on the June Entertainment that is planned for you, as its

getting around to cocktail and chicken-and-chip time again. Sea food lovers are in for a real treat on the 10th so says WO2 Ray Couzie as he prepares his shrimp and scallop traps. Sgt. Jim Ward is having trouble making up his mind on a Centennial Project. Can't seem to decide between ten beers in a hundred days or vice versa. Are you having trouble with your project? Watch the flyer about the big sale of patio furniture which will be by sealed bid to the PMC. If your wife throws the flyer away before you see it, call the Mess PRO at local 449 and inquire. In case some of you have forgotten, we still have dining for members and guests (family or wife, depending on the Sunday) at the Mess Dining Room. Watch the June flyer for more info or call the PRO. See you next issue.

Another good reducing exercise consists of placing both hands against the table edge and pushing back.

— Robert Quillen

## SOCCER STANDINGS

TEAM	P	W	L	T	Pts.
407 Demons	4	3	0	1	7
Safety Systems	4	3	1	0	6
Real Madrid	3	1	0	2	4
409	3	1	1	1	3
C.E. & F.H.	4	1	2	1	3
Rangers	2	0	1	1	1
121	3	0	2	1	1
Celtics	3	0	2	1	1

## Garden Fete

St. Peter's Anglican Church, Comox, will be the site of a delightful Garden Fete this Saturday at 1500 hrs. The lawns around the church will swarm with children and adults alike, enjoying the games, pony rides and companionship.

At supertime, the party will

move into the church hall for a delicious turkey supper served by the church women. Price for the supper will be \$1.25 for adults, and \$.75 for school children.

Everyone is welcome at this Spring Garden Party, so don't forget to attend.

## Bingo Winners

This month's lucky Bingo winners were: AC1 Lalonde, \$25 for the Straight line, Mr. Sexton, \$25 for 2 straight lines; LAC Richards \$40 for the letter "T", Sgt. Shilton \$40 for the letter "X", Cpl. Gooden \$40

for the Red Cross, Cpl. Bouchier \$60 for the small picture frame, Cpl. Deivar \$60 for the Large Frame, and Mr. Albrecht \$100 for the full house.

Don't forget to get your cards for the next big game which starts on Thursday, June the first.

## Totem Times classifieds

FOR SALE McCulloch chain saw 30" in very good condition, \$90. Two 1951 Hillman sedans, as is, the two for \$35. Mrs. Sweeney, Dow Rd. Little River after 5 p.m. Ph. 339-3770.

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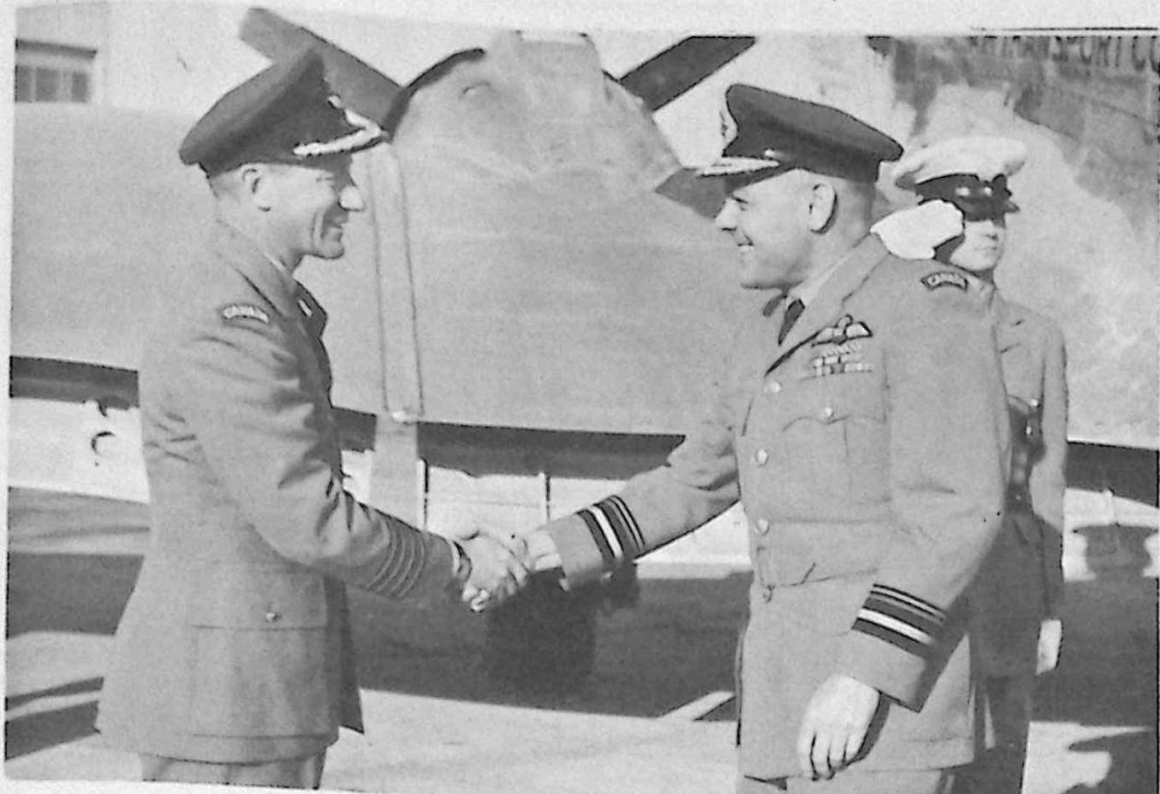
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BEAUTY IS MORE THAN SKIN DEEP says Art Raiwet as wife Helen prepares him for the "Contest" during the Klondike Night held at the Senior NCO's Mess recently.

— AR Photo





G/C KC LETT, base commander CFB Comox, welcomes Air Vice-Marshal ME Pollard to the base at the start of AVM Pollard's two-day visit last week. In the background is the AVM's luxurious Dakota transport, from which most of the freight had been removed.

— DND Photo

## Pre '40

by Flyin' chuff

In August of 1914 the only bomb available for British aircraft weighed 201 lbs. This didn't particularly worry RFC pilots because they didn't have bomb carrying or aiming equipment anyway, and besides, they looked upon the aeroplane as a scout for ground forces. However, the offensive properties of aeroplanes quickly became apparent and pilots started taking grenades in their pockets and launching them by hand at their targets.

The RNAs on the other hand, looked upon the aeroplane as an offensive weapon from the beginning of the war, and before the end of November 1914 had bombed Zeppelin sheds at Dusseldorf and Friedrichshafen and the main railway station at Cologne. A naval lieutenant invented a gas-line filled incendiary bomb which soon came in two sizes, 61 lbs. and 161 lbs and HE bombs went to over 2001 lbs. Aircraft and engines also grew and by the spring of 1918 when the RFC and RNAs were unified to form the RAF, several multi-engine types were available, mostly twin engine jobs of 50 to 100 ft. wingspan. The 80 to 130 hp. rotary engines had been replaced by V8 and V12 jobs such as the 225 and 320 hp Sunbeam, the 275 and 360 hp Rolls Royce and the 400 hp Liberty.

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shown above, was the largest of all. Popularly known as the 'Super Handley' it was designed with the specific object of bombing Berlin from bases in Great Britain. Wing span 126 ft., length 64 ft., diameter of wheels 5 ft. With a crew of 6 and 1,000 gallons of fuel it also carried thirty 250 lb bombs and some machine guns. Four 360 hp Rolls Royce engines driving two tractor and two pusher propellers gave it a speed of 95 mph at 10,000 ft. Duration was about 14 hours. Three V/1500s were ready to bomb Berlin at the time of the armistice in November 1918.

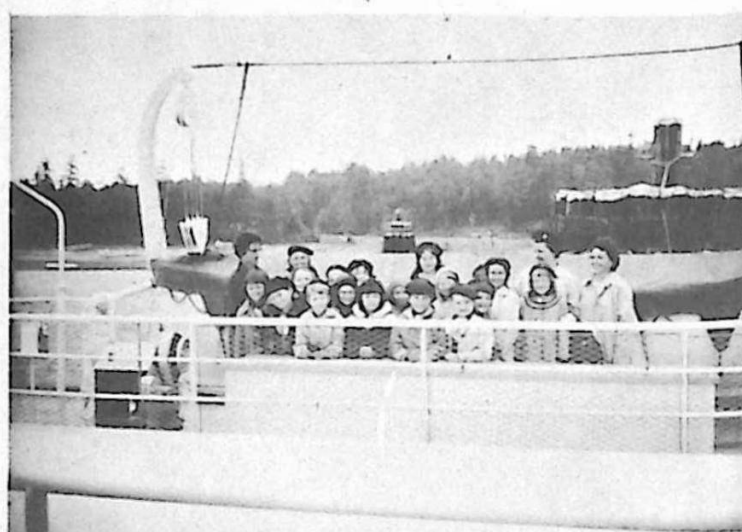
## COMMANDER, ADC VISITS COMOX

Air Vice Marshal M. E. Pollard, Commander of Air Defence Command, visited CFB Comox last week for two days. During his stay he inspected all units on the base, W/C H. E. Smale, Co of 407 Sqn. and S/L K. W.

Brown, Co 121 KU accompanied AVM Pollard on tours of their units, and W/C W. H. Vincent accompanied him on a tour of 409 installations.

Following the inspections AVM

and Mrs. Pollard were entertained at a mixed dinner in the Officers Mess.



## 3rd Comox Brownie Pack Goes Overseas

On Saturday, May 27th, the Third Brownie Pack, using the Comox Queen as a landing craft visited Powell River. The Pack was led by Brown Owl M. Cando and assistants Mrs. Calberry Mrs. McCulloch and Joan Buckland.

The trip over was choppy and many of the girls, who are good Brownies, proved to be not very good sailors. Upon their arrival they were met by Mdm. Commissioner Mrs. McNair. After being joined by the Brownie Pack from Texada Island they were

taken to the school auditorium for a Brownie Revel, following which the girls were treated to soft drinks and ice cream. The appreciation of the Comox Pack was expressed by Brownie Diane Bain.

The Pack was taken on a tour of the city before boarding the ferry. During the calm return trip the Captain invited the girls to inspect the Bridge and answered many questions.

The girls returned home weary but happy.



## Fitness Test Improved

The physical fitness test has been improved substantially with the installation of a high altitude chinning bar. The new bar is shown being installed in the ceiling of the rec hall.

F/L Dudley Hill, resident fitness expert, said that the new high bar combines the best features of the high jump and the chinning test. He said, "The air force was getting too cluttered up with fitness failures. Now if they don't maintain their grip, we just invalid the cripple out of the service." (Times Photo)

The U.S. Army Air Defense Command contributes Nike-Hercules and Hawk surface-to-air missiles to support the air defense mission of the North American Air Defense Command.

## TOASTMISTRESS TALK

Another successful meeting of the Cocoro Toastmistress club was held at the Lazo WI Hall on Wednesday, May 24th with 20 members present. The theme for the evening was Self-Development. The meeting opened with the Oath of Allegiance led by Mary Luck. President Lynn Clarke's welcome followed the Inspirational Thought given by Auril Mayne. Putting Harmony into Human Relationship. The job of Toastmistress was capably handled by Eileen Jackson. Being an authority on dancing, her comments immensely added to the enjoyment of the evening.

During the business meeting, a partially completed nominating slate was read by Doris Reddington. It was decided to hold elections at our next meeting giving anyone the opportunity to add

their name if they so desire. Eileen Jackson, head of the committee for the organization of charter day gave her report. After intermission, Marge Hamlyn introduced our Toastmistress, Fran Buton, who then called on her main speakers. They were: Phyllis Meek, who spoke on "Why I Joined Toastmistress." Hilda Ross's title was "First Impressions of Canada by an English War Bride" and Bette Mason on "Self-Appreciation". Ethel Cochrane thanked our Toastmistress.

In lieu of a Grammarian's lesson, President Lynn Clarke and Lily Perrin gave their reports on the Pacific Northwest Regional Conference which they attended in Victoria on May 19, 20, 21. The evening ended with a closing thought by Sylvia Beech.

## More Gold Hats, Please

Saint-Jean, Que. - Seventy-officer cadets will receive diplomas at the 1967 ceremonial parade and the presentation of awards to be held June 3 at College militaire royal de Saint-Jean, Saint-Jean, Que. The guest of honor will be the Honorable Leo Cadieux, Associate Minister of National Defence.

This will be the 14th annual military and academic pageant and is the twelfth anniversary of the graduation of the first group of officer cadets who enrolled at this institution. The ceremonial parade will include "Trooping the Color." After the "Trooping" the guests will watch the presentation of awards. Colonel Roland Reid, Commandant of the college and Mr. Cadieux will address the graduating class.

Le College militaire royal de Saint-Jean, located on the Riche-

lieu River, 28 miles south of Montreal, has the unique distinction of being essentially a bilingual institution. One of its principal objectives is to train officer cadets to become proficient in both the official languages of this country. However, the primary objectives of the college is to give students basic military education, together with sound university courses in arts and sciences.

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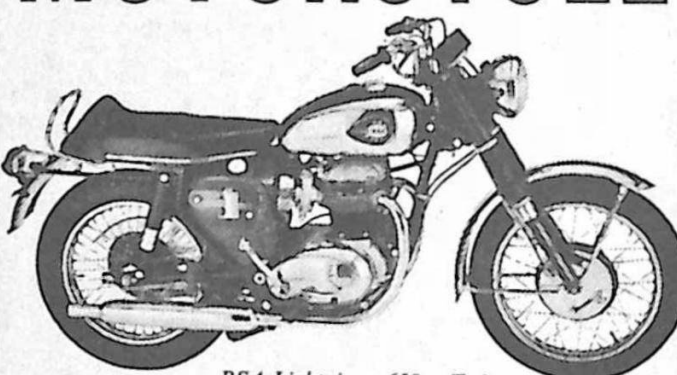
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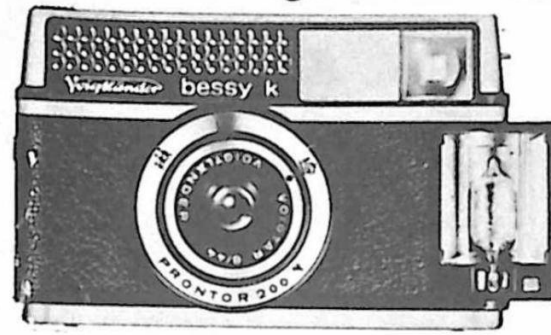
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