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You're in trouble if all your Christmas spirit is bottled

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Fincastle Teams, Judges Arrive For Meet



ENSURING THAT THE RAF entry in the Fincastle competition is in top shape is the flight engineer, Sgt. R. E. Horton who is giving the Nimrod a close inspection

prior to having it launch on the search for the Rainbow. Actually, he's wondering which member of 407 has stolen the propellers. (Canadian Forces Photo)

Sub-Chasers Seek HMCS Rainbow

Last week, the Grey Cup chase, with all its accompanying madness, titillated the imaginations of Canadians from coast to coast. This week, another championship race will capture their attention. The Fincastle Trophy, which is to Whalekillers what the Grey Cup is to Stampede, will be up for grabs this weekend, and four crews, from four countries will be at CFB Comox vying for the right to add this trophy to their homeward-bound luggage.

Representing the RAF in the competition is a twelve-man Nimrod crew headed by S/L Emmerson. This crew will be supported by an eighteen-man ground support party that will keep the Nimrod operating even better than it did when it first rolled out of the Royal Nimrod Works.

The RAAF crew, headed by S/L Turk -- did you ever notice what funny rank titles they have in these Commonwealth air forces? -- will race into the contest with an Orion that their nine-man support party has peaked up to a point slightly beyond perfection.

Under the direction of S/L McKay, the New Zealanders have also polished up their Orion to a point that would make Lockheed almost as happy as the announcement of a big sale to the Canadians.

The sixteen-man Argus crew, headed by Capt. Howey, is the same crew which recently won the O'Brien trophy in the competition which was held at Greenwood. Their Argus, lovingly tended by a twelve-man support party, is so enthusiastic about the event that it has to be tied to the ground to prevent it getting an early start.

But while the competing crews have been perfecting their aircraft and their techniques, the friendly enemy has been taking a cram course on underwater skulking. The Rainbow, which is the submarine that will be the object of the entire exercise, has undergone some classified mods that will enable it to determine when it is under attack by legions of sub-chasers.

No one is talking about the equipment, but a usually reliable dockyard leak said yesterday that one of the new sensors aboard the Rainbow is an acoustical device. According to him, the device is triggered by the high-frequency grinds and squeals emitted by an AGO chewing on a steak, and it has to date given 100 per cent warnings of approaching Argus.

The same source also said that the Rainbow had borrowed the infra-red detector from one of 409's snazzy new Voodoos. Said the source, "The minute one of those flying restaurants switches on its stove, this dandy little device has them. It's fool-proof, which, apparently, things must be in Maritime Command."

The competition will begin as do all things military, with a monster briefing, to which a lot of monsters have been invited. To accommodate the crowd the base theatre has been usurped, and starting at 10 a.m. on Friday, December 3, the competitors will be officially welcomed to the base and briefed on the weather, local conditions, local aerodrome procedures, security, and the communications to be used during the exercise.

The presentation of the trophy will be made by Air Marshal Sir Robert Craven, RAF, AOC 18 Group (Maritime), who will arrive at Comox in time to witness the entire competition. The presentation will take place at a presentation party in the Totem Lounge starting at 8 p.m. on Monday, December 6.

Car Crash Kills Airman

An accident on the Nimpkish Valley road has killed one CFB Comox serviceman, and slightly injured two others. Killed when the car in which he was riding went off the road and rolled down an embankment was Corporal James D. Kennedy, from Base Supply. Injured in the accident were Corporals Smith and Dorion, also from supply. The three were on their way to Holberg when their car failed to negotiate a turn in the road. RCMP are investigating the accident.

Parka Policy Poor

ADC servicemen who are shivering at northern units, contemplating the idiosyncrasy of CFHQ's no-parka policy can take heart, if not heat. In a message to CFHQ, the commander of ADC, Major-General N. L. Magnusson, has requested that the restriction limiting wear of the parka to the northern region only, be reconsidered.

In the message, General Magnusson said: "The majority of units within ADC are subjected to winter climatic conditions not unlike those of the northern region, and have an almost equal requirement for similar winter protective clothing."

The submission continues: "For the past year ADC personnel have been permitted to wear this parka and to date we have been completely satisfied with the arrangement. The appearance of the parka is good, weather protection is reasonable and personnel have been happy to obtain and wear the parka even though purchased with personal funds. To prohibit the wearing of this parka now without providing a satisfactory service replacement will without a doubt be considered a backward step and will have a decided adverse effect on morale."

ADC is aware, in making the submission, of the requirement for anti-static and flame-proof garments under certain circumstances, and instructions to preclude the use of the green parkas under such circumstances have already been issued.

In another submission to CFHQ, the commander has expressed the dissatisfaction which exists within the command over the new working dress. He said: "There is confusion surrounding the occasions for wear and considerable disappointment in its overall appearance. There are indications that the serviceman will be reluctant to pay twenty dollars to acquire this unattractive ensemble, as they do not believe that it adequately replaces Combat clothing, coveralls or fatigues."

Our Pongos Great

"An elite, well-disciplined, well-trained professional fighting unit."

That's the way seasoned military observers summed up troops of Canada's 4th Mechanized Battle Group after seven weeks of fall manoeuvres in West Germany.

Asked by a U. S. news correspondent who were the best troops serving in Europe, an American colonel said "the answer to that one is very easy, I'm afraid. Too easy. It's the Canadians."

The evaluation, according to press reports, came at the end of a 10-day series of manoeuvres in southern Germany.

The report also indicated that six men were killed and more than 150 injured in the 10-day exercise. It added that "Canadian troops, in the field for nearly 50 days, suffered no casualties."

Severance Pay Option

Effective April 1, 1972, most servicemen will be given the option of electing to take severance pay in lieu of rehabilitation leave.

Personnel enrolled after April 1, 1972, will be eligible for severance pay only. Details of the changes in benefits will be outlined in a Canadian Forces supplementary order to be published shortly.

Severance pay will consist of a cash payment at the rate of seven days pay for each year of uninterrupted, full-time paid service, up to a maximum of 30 years.

In most cases, severance pay will provide better financial benefits. For example, a serviceman with 20 years service would be eligible for 120 days leave under the present rehabilitation formula. But, under the new severance pay arrangement, he would be paid for 140 days service.

On the other hand, because severance pay is based on service in the Canadian Forces only, personnel with service in other Commonwealth forces may prefer to opt for rehabilitation leave.

Under existing orders, if an officer or man dies, the value of the rehabilitation leave is lost. Under the new scheme, severance pay will go to his service estate.

An advantage of severance pay is that individuals are not required to pay the seven percent pension contribution which applies when on rehabilitation leave. In addition, by taking severance pay, a person's annuity begins immediately and gives an individual a greater immediate income.

A disadvantage of severance pay is that an individual is not permitted to take rehabilitation leave after normal release date, thereby extending his period of service. In addition, option for severance pay will not entitle an individual to medical and dental services, or pay increases, as he would be on rehabilitation leave.

It is not known the degree to which the new tax legislation before parliament will affect lump sum payments such as severance pay. Therefore, when the new implications are known, they should be studied before a choice is made between severance pay and rehabilitation leave.

Blood Clinic Dec. 10

Another in the series of popular blood donor clinics will be held in the Rec Centre between 1030 and 1230 hrs. on December 10, 1971. A large and enthusiastic crowd of servicemen, DND employees and dependents is expected to show up and drink the free Coke which the Red Cross gratefully hands out to those who are public-spirited enough to participate in the venture.

Not all servicemen can rush in and claim their free Coke. Those engaged in active flying duties or in active air control duties shall not give blood without the prior approval of a medical officer.

Aircrew of high performance or combat aircraft, or persons occupying cockpit positions or on-call status to perform essential flight duties are similarly precluded from giving blood, but exceptions can be granted to those who are assigned to non-flying duties.

If people eligible for flying duties are granted approval to donate blood, they are not to fly until at least 72 hours after the donation. The same stricture applies to air traffic controllers.



L. COL. D. WARREN, Acting B. Com., presents Cpl. L. Zinck with a certificate of achievement and a cheque from the Suggestion Award Committee.

Cpl. Zinck Wins \$1500 Award

Expertise and dedication has paid off for MCpl Lewis Zinck, a

welder in base workshops who won \$1500 under the Merit Award and outstanding achievement award program. MCpl Zinck who spent seven years in the Merchant Marines and 18 years in the RCAF as a welder is employed in base Workshops.

Some of the major factors that led to his recommendation for the award were his expertise and dedication to the service beyond and above the normal call of duty. As an aircraft welder MCpl Zinck must submit bi-annually, test pieces of welding to Quality Assurance Laboratory in Ottawa, to maintain his proficiency rating. Because of the complexity of the metals in the aircraft industry, an aircraft welder must of necessity, have an excellent knowledge of his trade, the special equipment and of course a skilled hand.

When the fuel tanks of the MD3 Auxiliary Power units, used for starting aircraft became unserviceable and replacements were unprocureable for a considerable time, MCpl Zinck dismantled the tanks and rebuilt them, thus maintaining the base operational readiness status at 100 percent.

The transition ducts on J57 turbine engines that are located (Continued on page 7)

Aircraft Swap Underway

409 Squadron is nearing the halfway mark in the Peace Wings aircraft exchange that is now underway. Under the plan, the Canadian Armed Forces have traded in their old, unimproved Voodoos for 66 equally old, but vastly superior Voodoos.

The new aircraft now adorning the 409 flight line are, visually, virtually indistinguishable from the old. A slight bulge on the top of the nose, just behind the radome is all that betrays the fact that the airplane sitting there is one of the new ones. That and the snappy new paint job that covers up all the bruises and whatnot on the aluminum skin.

The pretty grey skin covers a multitude of technical changes that make the new Voodoo a vastly superior weapon to the old one. The radar has been fed a concentrated diet of extra electrons, which are just bursting with energy. When the operator switches the radar on, the electrons just pour out of the

antenna, surround their target at almost incredible ranges, and return to tell the operator, who smiles happily, locks on, and then returns to writing his thesis on advanced basket weaving. All this derring-do leaves the pilot so non-plussed that he watches the dot for several minutes before finally wrestling it outside the circle.

But the radar is not the only change. That bulge on the nose houses an infra-red detector that is especially efficient at picking out bomber pilots who smoke. This capability is very useful when the radar is rendered unserviceable by electronic-counter measures, or striking electrons. It is also a useful tool when bombers employ their terrain-avoidance radar to enable them to fly in perfect safety close to the mountain tops, out of radar coverage. An infra-red detector in such cases is almost as good a thing as sliced bread.



THE FIRST competitor to arrive at CFB Comox for the Fincastle competition eases to a stop on the ramp. The Nimrod, which has been highly touted as the successor to the Argus which currently inconveniences sea-gulls here at the base, is derived from the Comet, which an outfit called the RCAF flew so many years ago. (Canadian Forces Photo)



ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT FEATURES of any competition is the judging staff, which normally, when the competition is held in some jammy spot such as Comox, outnumber the competitors by a ratio of about seven to one. So it is with Fincastle. The Bugsmashers set aside for the judging staff await their turn to take the officials out to the sub-bombarding grounds off the West Coast. (A McWarrior photo)

407 Tech Ramblings

Just in case you haven't read, heard or have plain forgotten, December 11th is THE date of the year insofar as the 407 All Ranks Entertainment calendar is concerned. Dancing to the melodious strains of HMCS Naden's "Velvet Brass" will get underway in the Rec Centre at 2100 hours; however, Vancouver Island's largest punch bowl will be dispensing copious quantities of free hydraulic fluid punch prior to that time. The schedule for the free bus service to and from Royston, Cumberland, Courtenay and Comox has been distributed to all sections and also appears in 407 WRO's dated 18 November. Hips of beef and all the trimmings will constitute the menu and all this for one dollar per person for fund members and three dollars per each for non members and guests. Ticket sellers are situated at strategic locations throughout the squadron and, in case you don't know who they are, can be readily identified by consulting the aforementioned WRO or the flyers which were distributed to all sections.

Although tickets will be available at the door, PLEASE co-operate with your committee by purchasing same in advance and remember, if you'd like a chance at the \$50 cash door prize, you can only do so by picking up your tickets prior to 1630 hours on 10 December.

GUN PLUMBER'S CORNER

The crews, recently returned from Hawaii, report a reading of 8 plus on the success scale of 10 and, judging from the coloration of our returning stalwarts, some question as to the credibility of their stated ancestry is raised. The noticeable influx of good and bad news jokes pertaining to the deployment has caused the home-guard Fork Sharpeners to wonder just who did all the work and who spent their time doing otherwise. Tales of the escapades of Suave Stoyles (the swinging bachelor), Colin "Cannon's" midnight revenge for the Boston Tea Party, Sleepy Shorty's wandering bunk and the ghost of Beachcomber McMullen's supine form guarding Nimitz Beach lead even the stodgiest to speculate on their chances of survival come the next mission.

When the news that "we're losing money" penetrated the depths of the hallowed halls of weaponry, a rescue party was formed for the purpose of saving a detached Demon from the explosive area. However, all was for naught when two kill-joy IETechs informed us that what we were losing wasn't old buddy Nels Mooney. To explain, it has been so long since we've seen any cash returns that the word "money" and the name "Mooney" have become confused with each other.

The annual Torp Shop - Arm't -

Photo Schmockey Skirmish ended in a 3 to 2 wipeout in favour of your favorite neighborhood Gun Plumbers. Galloping Gary's penalty shot was the clincher in a game (?) where suspicions were aroused that our helpmate warriors from the Torp Shop were using quasi professional expertise. One thing that this annual event guarantees: everybody is a winner!

TORP TOPICS

Here we are back safe and sound in familiar surroundings after our two week sojourn in Hawaii where, as participants in Rimpac 71, we shared the base torpedo shop at Barber's Point with our American counterparts. Our association with this great bunch of lads was an extreme pleasure in that they did their utmost to make us feel welcome, responded to our needs in a cheerful manner and ensured that we were never without transportation to and from the shop area which is located some distance from the domestic site. To them our most hearty "Thank You."

Our crew, which consisted of Sgt. Ruscoff and Cpls. Chequis, Livingston and yours truly (The Hood) is happy to report that, from our point of view, the exercise was a 100 per cent success. Being unfamiliar with the other aspects of the operation, we are not qualified to pass judgement on their accomplishments, however, scuttlebut has it that all concerned obtained excellent results.

Socially, it was a wonderful opportunity to make many new acquaintances among the non-Canadians we met and, from the aspect of environment, a chance to assess these beautiful islands as a place to live or to just visit. Personally, day in and day out temperatures upwards of 80 degrees are not my cup of tea, particularly when one is working, but it does cool off to a habitable temperature in the evenings. In short, the Hawaiian climate is fine for a visit but, since I am not writing advertising copy for a real estate promotion, I cannot be hypocritical and recommend it as my choice of domicile. I do, however, agree that the weather is great for lolling around the beaches or in an air conditioned bar. Since my return, I have been asked why I didn't have a tan and the answer is quite simple, no sun lamps in the bars I inhabited.

A rented car proved to be the ideal means of taking in the beautiful sights and points of interest on Oahu while a cruise around Pearl Harbor was a highlight of our visit. Most impressive was the Dec. 7, 1941 victim of the Japanese sneak attack, the battleship Arizona which still rests on the bottom and above water bears a

memorial to the 1000 hands that perished with her.

ARO SUPER MECHS

Prepare yourselves, the "Poison Pen" of the "Phantom Scribbler" is about to strike!

Our "Fickle Finger" award must go to the weatherman and the people who prepare the tourist propaganda for pulling off the greatest snow job in history. Just imagine: the sunshine coast where the flowers bloom the year around, the sun always shines, the birds sing continuously and it never snows. If my name was Noah and I had any knowledge of carpentry, I'd build an ark. If our beloved leader, Mr. Bennett, had a tax on water we'd all be bankrupt. On the other hand, he must feel rewarded by virtue of the inability of the populace to smoke outdoors and frustrated when they are forced indoors to consume copious quantities of freewater in the confines of a nice cozy bar. So you see, Mr. Premier, you can't win them all. Now, having given the proverbial stick a few stirs, 'tis best that we move on to better things.

Sgt. Al Johnson has been doing a great deal of scurrying about the hangar of late in his search for a suitable spot to set up his NDT empire. Rumor has it that the top floor of No. 7 hangar will get the nod since this would put him closer to the Almighty. If all else fails, Al, maybe Mr. Bennett will consider letting you use his "hot line." If Al's sense of humor isn't as big as the bowl of his pipe, I'm in trouble.

We hear that our squadron broomball team is doing quite well and that they even had a spectator, Pete Murphy, at their last game.

Judging from the appearance of his car, Cpl. Chris (Sea Dog) Gourley must have run it over a large can of red paint.

Bill Baker, the previous author of this column, informs us that his name is not spelled Byka; it is just pronounced that way.

The welcome mat is out for Sgt. Dick Beard who has just joined us in the land of milk and honey from Greenwood. Unfortunately, our current monsoon season has turned the honey skunky and the milk has curdled.

While the hunting season is drawing to a close, all indications point to a lengthy open season on yarns among our large gun-toting fraternity. One must draw his own conclusions as to whether they have been shooting the smaller members of the deer family or the male side of the bovine species.

Heard in passing: A Newfie walking down the street with a pig under his arm was asked by a passerby, "Where did you get that?" To which the pig replied, "I won him at the fair."

TTFN SUPER TECH

DEMON DOINS

Once again our squadron has deployed to a foreign port and lived to tell. RIMPACEX 71 was a co-operative ASW exercise with participants from the rim of the Pacific as the title suggests. The setting was ideal for operations of this sort as hardly anyone minds being deployed to Hawaii, the land of sun, surf and all that exotic type stuff. 407 was represented by Crews 1, 3 and 4 plus the usual assortment of ground support personnel. The aircrews flew quite hard for the first week and then enjoyed some tanning time while the ground crew worked right up until chock time on the last aircraft. I think our ground support team did a bang-up job the whole time on aircraft servicing which involved such niceties as engine and prop changes. Well done, troops! Our aircraft serviceability proved to be excellent and showed up the newer Orion in many cases.

Socially, the exercise was also a success. We were amply hosted by VP-22 who are based at Barber's Point, and quite well I might add. They really went out of their way to ensure that our

every need was catered to. They hosted us in their messes (clubs) and we even retaliated with a cocktail party of our own, which was a huge success as well. L Col Haire opted for an inside party as the patio was "too near the pool." It seems that some folks go for swims after parties whether they want to or not.

There was a goodly number of service wives along on this trip, and from all reports they enjoyed Hawaii immensely so perhaps next year will see an even bigger contingent of better halves. There didn't seem to be too many surfing accidents this time and everyone walked off the aircraft to greet the palefaces at home. Sure was a great exercise enjoyed by all. See you next year.

"Fincastle" is word for the week. We are host to the British Commonwealth's finest in an annual ASW competition for the silverware. I won't say much here due to extensive coverage outside the column, but we have the honour of being the first country and base to host this competition, so let's do our best. See you in the mess.



Northern Training Continues

OTTAWA - Since Exercise New Viking began last year, about 2,000 Canadian combat troops have undergone environmental training in Canada's northland.

And by next September, another 2,000 men will have been through the continuing series of two-week unit training operations. They're designed to familiarize troops with the problems of living, moving and fighting in the north under summer and winter conditions.

When the program began in April, 1971, 50-man groups were airlifted to the remote areas. Now, 100-man groups move from home stations to Resolute Bay in the summer months, and Fort Churchill, Man., in winter.

A new twist this year will see a small group of NATO allies take part. They are six officers and four NCOs from Allied Command Europe's Mobile Land Force, who will attend in five-man

groups in November and January.

Air Transport Command provides the troop airlift, and long-range air detection observation is the job of Maritime Command.

First week is spent at a base camp for familiarization and specialist training, conducted by qualified winter and Arctic warfare instructors. In the final week, troops move to an advanced base for extensive patrol operations.

From Fort Churchill, the troops deploy by air to Baker Lake, Coral Harbor, Rankin Inlet and either Frobisher Bay or Yellowknife.

Between June - August they move from Resolute Bay to advance camps at Sauchs Harbor, Mould Bay, Isachen, Ray Point and Eureka, about 500 miles north of Resolute Bay.

Before embarking on Exercise (Continued on page 8)

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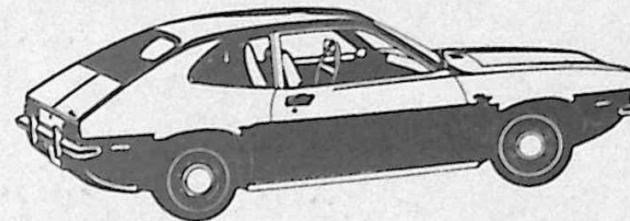
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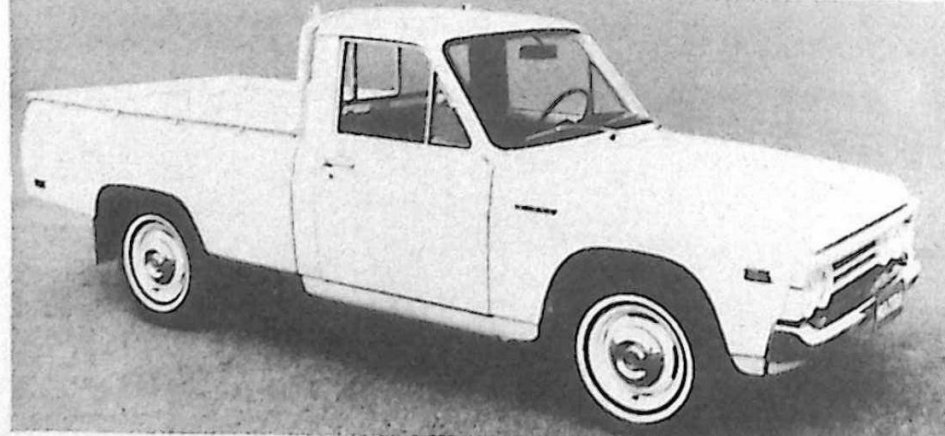
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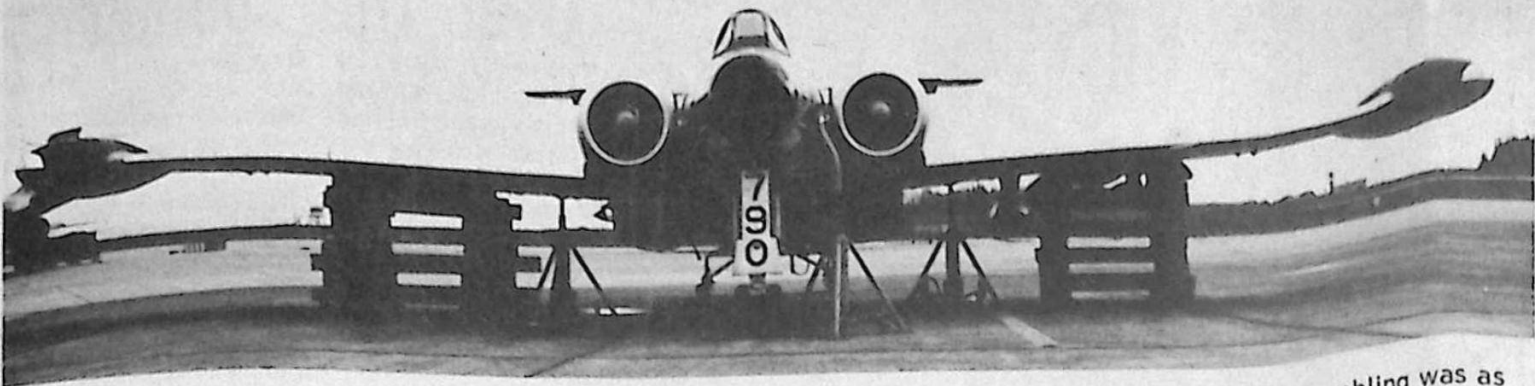
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RECEIPTS AND ISSUES SECTION got an unusual request the other day when it was announced that a CF-100 would be donated to the Royal Museum in Belgium. Packing the aeroplane proved to be a chore that

produced a lot of grumbling, but that grumbling was as nothing compared to the noise the postman made when the completed package was dumped into his bag. (A Museum piece photo)

Clunks Now In Museum

OTTAWA — Canada's first home-designed and built jet aircraft, the CF-100 Canuck all-

weather fighter interceptor, is to take its place alongside other vintage aircraft of the world.

Nighthawks Nest

Ken Carr and Rudy Witthoft boarded a Pan Am Western 737 last night on the first of many short legs to Greenville. When the PWA personnel noticed that each was carrying a parachute, there was some hesitation about letting them on the aircraft. Only after much discussion did Ken and Rudy agree to put their gear in the baggage compartment which is inaccessible during flight. Rudy is carrying a sum of Cuban currency and Ken was looking at the distance between Greenville and Havana. Semper paratus.

The Chapin's new son's name is Jeffery Collin. Harry has been excused floor pacing and night feeding because of his back problem.

There has been no small amount of speculation around the squadron about Stretch McNair's activities lately. He has moved into barracks and has a house under construction. He has also disappeared over the eastern horizon on leave. Very suspicious indeed for a bachelor.

The latest shuffle, in secondary duties has Ken Carr moving shortly into the CAC for a six month sentence, replacing Mike Pollard who has been released on parole. No one said the parole was for good behaviour. It isn't true that Ken volunteered so that he wouldn't have to fly with Bob Merrick, but it does seem odd that Ken is the second of Bob's pilots that has ended up in the CAC.

Lance by chance inherited the Deputy Squadron Public Information Officer duty. This is the second secondary duty that has been bequeathed to him by Mike. By the way, Lance's project to collect 125 Revell wrappers has slowed down lately so he has asked that people not buy ice cream sandwiches but stick with Revellos and Popsicles and the like. Also don't forget to leave the wrappers on the desk in front of the CAC. He really does have his heart set on that yo-yo for Christmas.

A new face over at the simulator will be Tony Brett, much to Phil's relief. A red face over at the simulator last week was Major Conn who after briefing the flight not to forget to check the simulator schedule did just that. And an absent face this week was Karl Hamersmich who's never around to check the simulator schedule.

Next Saturday is the squadron Christmas party, featuring cocktails and dinner. The cocktails are the usual pollutants, but a special menu of steak with lobster tails has been specially arranged. These have been brought from the east coast at great expense. The lobsters that is. The beef was a little cheaper as an old dairy cow that died from senility was obtained at a bargain price.

On Monday, Col. Telford blew another starter. Actually the starter seized and great gobs of smoke emitted from the engine area. Tats was in the back seat and this is almost getting to be old hat with him. Ted Johnston checked back through the

records and the Colonel appears to have the market cornered on starters. Tats now refuses to get into the cockpit until the CO has the engines both going and working properly.

The greatest fisherman the squadron has ever seen, Vic Rushton, recently bought a fishing boat. A real one. It's fitted out with radar, sonar and maybe even depth charges. Vic got tired of catching fish one by one with rod and line and is going out to catch them by the ton.

Science, Engineering Get New RMC Home

KINGSTON — Construction of phase one of a new science and engineering complex at the Royal Military College here has been given federal government approval, with work to begin next fall.

The new project, say finance minister Edgar Benson and defence minister Donald S. Macdonald, will cost an estimated \$5,475,000 and will replace antiquated facilities at the 95-year old college.

The plans are now in the design stage, and construction is scheduled to begin in the fall of 1972. The contract, yet to be awarded, is expected to create about 350 man-years of employment.

First phase of the project will see two modules of a five-module structure built, with the remaining three planned for sometime in the future. Each module will have approximately 42,000 net square feet of space.

The need to replace or modernize buildings at RMC, the two ministers indicated, has long been recognized by the federal government. A 1964-65 special committee of the House of Commons recommended replacement of antiquated buildings at the college.

The \$5,475,000 cost of the project includes the preliminary design of the complete, five-module science and engineering complex, and the final design and construction of the first two modules.

Officials explained that the modular, or repetitive-grid, type of construction best provides for flexibility, consolidation of departments, and grouping of functions.

Some existing structures will be demolished to make way for the new building, with departments carrying on in temporary accommodation in the meantime.

The engineering division consists of civil, mechanical, electrical and chemical engineering, along with engineering physics and management.

The science division includes the departments of physics and mathematics.

RMC, with a student body of about 500, is the oldest of three

The long-range, twin-engine, two-seater, first test-flown in 1951 by A. V. Roe Canada Ltd., is to go on permanent display in the Royal Museum in Brussels, Belgium, later this month.

A total of 692 Canucks were built for service with NORAD and RCAF squadrons in Canada and Europe. It served for more than a decade before being retired in 1962 in favour of the CF-101 Voodoo and CF-104 Starfighter.

Last year a CF-100 set a Canadian west-east, non-stop jet fighter record, flying from CFB Comox, B. C., to Ottawa's Uplands air base.

It is still in use with 414 Squadron, to test interceptor squadrons by trying to penetrate Canada's radar defences.

Rank Insignia Changes

OTTAWA (CFP) — Changes in the regular force private (level 4) and corporal rank insignia became effective Oct. 1, along with an increase of master corporal appointments.

The two other military colleges are Royal Roads at Esquimalt, B.C., and College Militaire Royale de St. Jean, Que.

The pte (L-4) single-chevron embroidered badge will be replacing the single chevron with maple leaf. Corporals will be wearing a new two-bar chevron in place of the insignia with maple leaf.

For the moment, national stocks of the new corporal insignia and current master corporal insignia are not available to meet requirements. Procurement action has been taken on the new corporal badges, and the order for master corporal badges has been increased. Delivery is expected in early 1972.

Notification regarding availability of badges and insignia for issue will be published when sufficient stocks are received.

Meanwhile, corporals will continue to wear current rank insignia with maple leaf until the new two-bar chevrons are available. The sergeant or master corporal cloth-embroidered insignia are not to be modified to corporal or master corporal insignia.

However, private (L-4) single chevron embroidered badges are now available. Private (L-4) embroidered insignia for the CF uniform may be modified to private (L-4) by removing the maple leaf.

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DRB Symposium Hears Social Scientist

A topical subject in Canada today entitled "Social Science and Canadian Security" was the theme of an unclassified address to approximately 1,000 scientists, and military and foreign affairs officers at the National Arts Centre in Ottawa on Nov. 16. Dr. Michael K. Oliver, Vice Principal (Academic), of McGill University, was guest speaker at the opening session of the Defence Research Board's three-day 23rd Annual Symposium.

Widely recognized as a political scientist who has been associated with three Canadian universities, Dr. Oliver was a research director with the Royal Commission on Bilingualism and Biculturalism. He served with the Canadian Army in World War 2 and his views on the interactions between the Canadian sociological scene and national security requirements will be of particular interest to those concerned with defence.

Dr. Oliver reviewed some of the changes in Canadian society that affect attitudes to the Armed Forces and on the role it should play. He suggested ways in which the social sciences can be brought into a fuller relationship with government and with the Forces themselves in the development of defence policy and particularly, on research on defence questions. He was concerned with the problem of how to formulate a definition of defence that will permit a greater input from the social sciences.

General F.R. Sharp, Chief of the Defence Staff, who officially opened the Symposium also introduced the guest speaker. Chairing the initial session was Dr. L.J.L. Heures, Chairman of the Defence Research Board.

The Symposium moved the same afternoon to closed sessions at the Chateau Laurier Hotel to hear and discuss 17 scientific and technical papers presented by DRB scientists and Canadian Armed Forces officers.

Voodoo Nuts, Bolts and Volts

By PAUL KLEM

With Xmas fast approaching, everybody is anxious to get their hot little hands on the big raise in pay, that the accounts section is so desperately trying to sort out. Anything I might say about it would be superfluous.

There still seems to be a great discrepancy in what everybody feels they should get. Some people are happy, others have to take it with a grain of salt and even then it's not very palatable. I didn't get overly excited about the raise because I figured Mr. Benson's tax scheme will take half of it anyway. What I'd be more interested in, along with thousands of others, is what our pensions are going to be worth in a few years time. At the rate the cost of living is rising, officially or unofficially, — the old age pensioners will have to go begging to survive, while the retired servicemen, unless he can find employment, will be no better off than a welfare recipient, only perhaps with a little more dignity.

Our non-existent paper Pension Fund is only a commitment by the Federal Government to pay a percentage of the pay a man was drawing at the time of his retirement. The cost of living clause doesn't come into effect until 10 or more years later, enough said! ... Now that Lt. Geoff Clark is gone I have no one to pick on — someone suggested I could try picking on the BAMEO but on second thought, he's in a better position to do the picking than I am. ... Sgt. Bill Barber is

in Esquimalt Base Hospital going through an annual repair and rest period. His crew is anxiously awaiting his return. His standing job-behind the Servicing desk will keep him in good stead.

Our congratulations to M Cpl. Lewis Zinck of Base Workshops on his windfall of \$1500 Merit Award. It should help part of his Xmas expenses and keep the wolves from the door for a little while.

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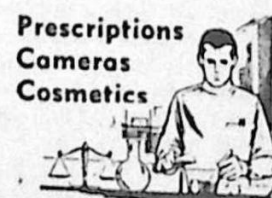


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Welcome, Fincastlers

For the first time, the Fincastle competition is taking place in one spot. All the competitors have gathered at CFB Comox to spend the weekend trying to find the HMCS Rainbow, which has outfoxed the lot of them and is currently in mid-Atlantic.

In previous years, the crews which represented their countries barely had the feeling of being in a contest. They would each take off from their home air-patch to match wits with one of their own submarines which was suitably immersed in a large body of water. When they had completed their allotted task, they would bundle up the results of the mission and ship them parcel post to the adjudicating committee in England. This august body would wait until it had received all the submissions and then plow doggedly through them. Eventually, a winner would be determined, but by this point the whole thing would be rather anti-climactic.

A message would come in to the winning squadron. "You've won the Fincastle." "Oh, jolly good," would be the reaction of the newer members of the squadron, "but what is that?" The older troops would then have to explain that sorry frown a couple of months ago was the championship deed, and the entire operation was rather mystifying.

But no longer. A better way of staging the competition has been found, and CFB Comox is privileged to be the host. Throughout the week, competition crews have been arriving at the base with their funny-looking Comets and Electras, and their absolutely unbelievable Yukons. That

scratching sound that's been bothering you all week is the sound of Whalekillers honing their skills for the contest which starts tomorrow night and continues until Monday.

There is no doubt that sub-hunting at its best will be seen at the base this weekend. A cast of thousands has been imported to keep a watchful eye on all facets of the exercise and ensure that the best crew wins. But really, that part of it is no different than it was before. The competition always brought out the best in the crews.

But this year, with the example of the other crews to spur them on, the best from each crew should be just a shade better than it was in previous years.

Such an improvement will not, however, be the most beneficial result of the meet. The opportunity to work with aircrew from other countries, to compare methods and pick up handy hints — even if it's only a better way to make the in-flight coffee — is the most valuable aspect of staging the competition at a common location.

The competitors are not the only ones who will benefit from this change in the Fincastle competition. 407 Squadron will also benefit from hosting so many visitors from the Commonwealth anti-submarine forces. The opportunity for exchange of ideas is one that comes but seldom.

The rest of us have the chance to meet a grand bunch of guys who are doing a great job, and it is a privilege to host them. Welcome aboard, Fincastlers.

Don't Pick On The Controller

CFB Comox has come in for some criticism as a result of the aircraft crash in Courtenay last Friday which claimed the life of an RCMP constable. The aircraft, which had been bound for Campbell River was compelled, by deteriorating weather, to turn back. The pilot requested clearance to land at CFB Comox, and the controller reminded him that landings at Canadian Forces airfields require prior permission from the base commander, and suggested that the pilot land at the Courtenay air park. With the help of the controller and an airborne Argus, the pilot located the air park and began the approach which terminated with the accident. Because of this, there has been criticism.

But the requirement for prior permission is not a new departure for Canadian Forces Bases. A Ministry of Transport circular issued some years ago advised all pilots that landings at Canadian Forces airfields required prior permission. The prior permission restriction is, however, immediately waived if there is any suggestion of an emergency. Any airport anywhere in Canada is available to a pilot who is proceeding under emergency circumstances. In this case, there was no suggestion whatever of any type of emergency at any time while the pilot was in radio contact with the CFB Comox control tower.

Many people question the need for the prior permission restriction. They look longingly at the facilities and reason that they should be made available to all who wish to use them whenever they wish to use them.

But things are not that simple. One of the reasons that we have military airports is that people noticed some time ago that in many instances military and civil traffic

were incompatible. Military aircraft were politely, but firmly moved to less settled areas of the country so that they might rocket around in peace and not bother anyone.

At some military airports, Comox being one of them, security requirements and operational considerations preclude the encouragement of drop-in business. A base which contains operational squadrons must be able to give its own aircraft priority when required, and this would not always be possible if civil traffic was encouraged to use the airport.

Owning a car does not give a person the inalienable right to use the roads on the base. People hurtling down Ryan Road toward the gate are not allowed on the base if they have no business there. So it is with air traffic. Air traffic which has not made prior arrangements to land at the base is diverted elsewhere.

But this is not a new arrangement. It has been this way for years and it will undoubtedly continue to be that way. Except, of course for aircraft in emergency circumstances. All the considerable facilities of the base are automatically placed at their disposal until the emergency is, as the tower would put it, secured.

As previously noted, there was, in this case, absolutely no indication of any emergency. Hence the controller's suggestion that the pilot divert to Courtenay.

There is no way in which the controller can be faulted for his actions. They were in keeping with long-established policy. Unjust criticism of him can only impede the goal of increased flight safety, which all of us, military and civil, have set for ourselves.

Inflate The Pensions

That the cost of living is spiralling upward at a dizzying pace will not come as a blinding news flash to any of us. Each year, it costs us more for the items we need to keep body and soul together. For those of us who are still in the service, the constant increase in prices gets rather tiresome despite the raises that are given to keep us somewhere abreast of the rising costs. Although more and more money comes in each year, more and more must go out to maintain the same standard of living, and there is, for all the upward trend of salaries, little change in one's relative economic well-being.

As long as one remains in the service, things do not get worse. They might not get better either, but at least there is no backing up. But all the time that one is in the service, one contributes a portion of his pay cheque to a pension fund; a pension fund that is expected to provide the necessities of life after one's service career is finished.

The dollar which one contributes to the pension plan today is worth one hundred cents in terms of today's prices. That is, the dollar will buy one dollar's worth of food and services. But should one get that same dollar back next year, it will only buy ninety-eight cents worth of goods and services, or such smaller fraction as may be left after inflation has wreaked its havoc on the currency. The people who, for example, contributed dollars to the pension fund in 1951 will get back, in 1971, a fairly debased copy of that dollar.

To put it another way, the pension plan which looked so adequate 20 years ago is becoming less attractive as the inflationary trend of our economy continues unchecked. Fifteen years after retirement, a person's

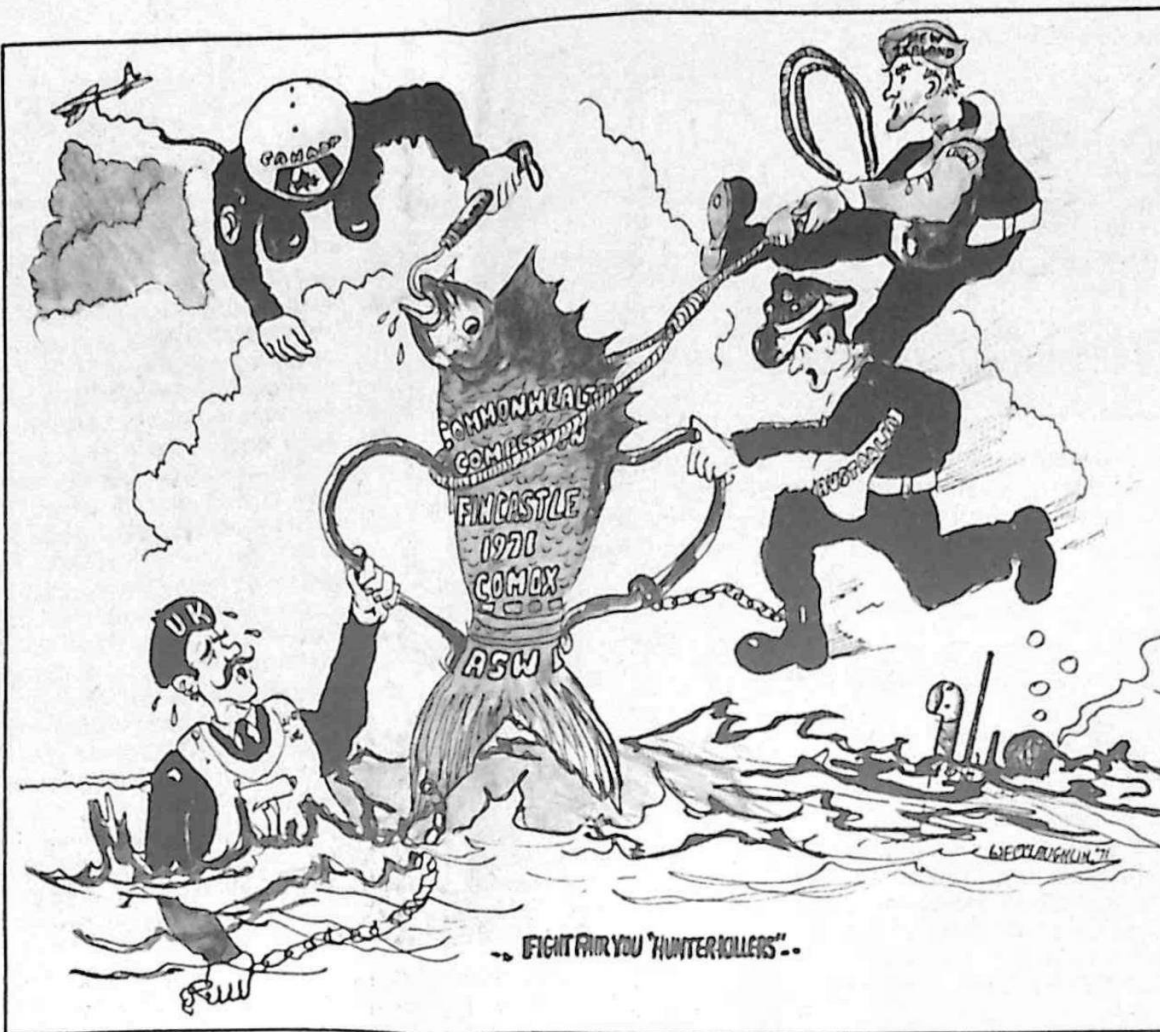
pension is wholly inadequate for his needs. What is needed is a new method of computing pensions, so that retired servicemen can continue to live in dignity and some semblance of comfort.

Currently, the pension is based on the salary drawn by a serviceman during his best six years of service. His pension can run anywhere between 50 and 70 percent of this figure, depending on the number of years of service he put in. There it is fixed for all time.

Perhaps a better way might be to base the pension on a person's rank and seniority on retirement. Say, for example, an aero engine tech retired after 25 years service, with eighteen years seniority as a corporal. Why not make his pension a percentage of whatever aero engine techs with equivalent seniority happen to be making at any given time? Suppose, that our mythical retiree were to be drawing a 60 percent pension. Should aero engine techs, badgered by the rising cost of living, finagle a \$100 monthly raise out of the government, Joe Pensioner's pension would rise by \$60.

In this way, the pensioners would be protected from the worst of the inflationary pressures which are affecting the economy, and their relative economic condition would not worsen as dramatically as is now the case.

Early retirement on a pension is considered to be one of the greater advantages of a service career, but it is not much of an advantage when, year after year, the value of the pension decreases until it becomes almost worthless. Basing the pension on current salaries would ensure more comfort and dignity for those who grew too old to serve their country.



HOW COME?

A phone that was unserviceable for a day, and the inability of some of our staff members to turn on the electronic secretary — which is not nearly as much fun as turning on a non-electronic secretary — has resulted in a significant decline in the number of calls flooding into the "How Come?" service. Any manager who wants to borrow this technique to similarly reduce his workload is free to do so, provided that appropriate credit is given, which sounds not unlike a loan application.

The first call to the problem-solving wizards of "How Come?" who lurk, for 24-hours each day at local 377, concerned the workmen who recently whizzed through PMQs chopping down shrubs, bushes, hedges and anything else that looked as though it might sometime grow. The aggrieved householder who contacted us said that the crews pruned bushes that were right in her yard, which she thought was a bit much.

The BCEO, who readily admitted to having crews out clearing underbrush in some areas, said that he was not aware that such shenanigans were going on, and he asked that anyone having a complaint about their shrub being assassinated call him, Major Daniel, at local 258, and he would personally investigate each such substantiated complaint. So, if your prize shrub has been hit by a passing axe, call Major Daniel and he'll glue it back together, or something.

Another caller wondered about the omission of the creed from the Protestant Chapel service. The padre, who was delighted to note that someone was paying attention, said that he was attempting to provide varied services to appeal to all his parishioners, and that the order of service would, from time to time, change. The creed has not been scrapped permanently, he said, and would be included in the service at selected intervals, and always during communion service.

The next caller had us stumped. "How come," he wanted to know, "the people who patronize Canex park like such a pack of ignorant cattle?" No one could be found who would admit to parking like a herd of ignorant, or even well-informed cattle, and providing an answer seemed to be somewhat difficult. In fact we couldn't.

The traffic control signs that were to have been installed to control traffic in the parking lot have yet to be put up, but when one regards the Canex sign in the parking lot, lying forlornly in the mud, one wonders what chance a mere traffic sign might have.

In her column, "Through My Window," Ann Crouse mentioned that it would be nice if the RCAF Benevolent Fund could unlock its coffers to provide mortgage money for deserving servicemen. The Benevolent Fund also thought that it would be a good idea, but there are some difficulties. J.C. Carrothers, the secretary-manager of the Fund, explains:

"Two frequent requests we have which we have to turn down because the Fund does not possess the resources to enter into these fields are home financing and car financing. Obviously if we were to go into these fields all our resources would very quickly be tied up in these types of loans. We have to remember that there are nearly 300,000 ex-members of the RCAF eligible to apply to us for help. Nearly all of these would at one time or another like us to finance a home or a car for them — obviously quite impossible. Backing mortgages would have

almost the same effect as supplying mortgage money because our capital would be effectively tied up as it would have to be set aside to meet contingent liabilities.

"Would that we had unlimited funds so that we could take on automobile and house financing. However, our Board has had to regretfully realize that the Fund would be unable to do so and still be available for its charter purpose of relieving financial distress."

It is not uncommon to hear servicemen say, "Man, that Benevolent Fund has a pile of money. Why don't they put it to work?" Well, they do. During his stay at RCAF station Alcazarm, your friendly neighborhood editor was secretary of the unit's Benevolent Fund committee, and

chanced to come upon the Fund's financial statement for that year, which was about 1965, or so. The Fund did indeed have a pile of money, most of which was invested. The returns on these investments came to a considerable sum. But — and this is the important point — that sum was within a few dollars of being equal to the amount disbursed by the Fund that year in grants.

Not loans, grants. As Mr. Carrothers points out, some 300,000 ex-servicemen are eligible to draw on the Fund. If the Fund is to operate in perpetuity, it must preserve this capital to provide sustenance for these and me in our old age.

If some idiosyncrasy of the service is driving you up the wall, call the 24-hour phone at local 377, and ask, "How Come?"

A Fincastle Glossary

This week, CFB Comox is hosting the Fincastle Competition, which is the World Series of Whalekillermom. A large sign at the gate exhorts all of us to support this event, and to help you in your efforts to support Fincastle, the Totem Times helpfully prints this translation guide so that you might be able to talk to, and understand any Whalekiller you might meet. If there is any such thing as understanding a Whalekiller.

Like all branches of the service, sub-chasers go for acronyms. In this competition, you will hear the word NIMROD. This means, according to a veteran of the hot-stove league, Not Intended for Maritime Reconnaissance or Overseas Deployment. Not to be outdone, the Canadians have their own acronym, Argus. This stands, we are told, for Aircraft Regularly Going US, and it is reputed to be the most accurate acronym of the bunch.

Another term you will hear is Orion. Apparently this term springs from Overwater Reconnaissance Induces Obesity and Narcolepsy, and is reputed to have something to do with the fat sleepy people who rattle around in the back end of these machines.

Occasionally, you will hear these people talking about Mad patterns. These are not erratic circuits flown by ill-tempered pilots. Mad stands for Multi Airborne Dinners, which is what you see when an Argus flies past.

Another term you may hear your pet Whalekiller use occasionally is ASCAC, as in, "I must run down to ASCAC for a while." ASCAC is where they serve Assorted Sandwiches, Cookies and Coffee.

But all is not light-hearted luncheon in the anti-sub business. The only reason they work a 24-hour day is that no one has thought to invent the 25-hour day, possibly because Treasury Board wouldn't go for all those extra

meals. So be kind to your Whalekiller friend. He works hard. How would you like to have to cook for a crew of sixteen?

Letters To The Editor

A Caution For 415

Argus, and both the Nimrod and the Orion have figured heavily in the speculation about what machine would replace the Argus. But lately, there have been ominous rumblings about refurbishing the machine at some astronomical cost. Either way, Marcom would appear to be in for some new equipment. But, what happens if 415 wins the Fincastle? Where then are the arguments for a replacement? Where then are the arguments for a refit, assuming that those arguments are anywhere in the first place, which might be a

Decries Canex Parking Lot

simple fact appears to elude the clods who insist on parking up to the very end of the rows, barring exit from the lot for those parked further along. In the last issue of your fish-wrapper, you mentioned that traffic control signs would soon be installed. What is your definition of soon? Were you using the military definition of soon, which means go away and stop bugging me, or were you using the commonly accepted civilian definition of soon, which

More Parking Problems

paradox is simple. Immediately adjacent to the Chapel is the Glacier Gardens arena, which is devoted to the religion of hockey from approximately 0200 on Sunday onward until about 0200 the next Sunday, when the entire week starts over again. Unless one accepts the five cars per worshipper theory as valid, one is forced to the conclusion that is the cars of the hockey coaches, statisticians, officials and all the

dangerous assumption. Out the window, that's where. How can you replace an airplane that lives in a Fincastle?

While one wishes 415 every bit of good luck possible in the forthcoming competition, one cannot suppress a sympathetic shudder on behalf of those who might, on the strength of a Canadian Fincastle victory, be compelled to spend another decade rattling around in the Argus.

I say Marcom should have stolen a few transistors out of some of the detectors.

R. O. Gourmet

Uniform Turns Him Off

this costume was rather too cruddy. The suit, if that is what it is, didn't look all that bad in the picture. But this week, I had an opportunity to see this new fashion in the living thread, and I am now forced to admit that your editorial wasn't cruddy enough. Someone up there is probably wondering why there is not a long line of servicemen beating on the clamouring to be allowed to buy one of these outfits. Well, if they ever looks out of his ivory tower

and sees what they look like, he likely will not be overjoyed by an opportunity to squander \$20 on one of these uniforms.

There is undoubtedly a need for something to fill the gap between the green walking out dress and combat clothing. This drab costume is not it. Who foisted this chunk of apparel off on the long-suffering troops?

S. Tylish
Furnace Fixers Ltée gave us a good buy.

Ed. Note: Perhaps the Akme

Ed. Note: You might try praying.

Ed. Note: But on the other hand, they might be so busy rebuilding Canex that they'll forget all about the signs.

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Hospital And Dental MURMURS

After a long absence spent looking for a government pen that writes and a piece of pressed wood, here comes the old and newest of news from the 'Body Building Shop'.

We are still saying hello and au revoir to our medics. M-Cpl. Al Ford arrived from NDMC recently along with Cpl. Lloyd McKay, a recent remuster from Admin Clerk. Pte. Ron Ruggles completed his PLS course prior to his transfer here and has been promoted to Cpl. with retroactive pay - he's looking for a home and we enjoyed his back-pay tremendously. Larry Cole was promoted for the third time to M-Cpl. - this time he won't let the government take it back according to any of their whims or wherefores. He is busy these days taking care of his wife and family. Doris is recovering at home following surgery. He can make the best tea biscuits west of the Ont-Man. border - "those melt in your mouth" type - the recipe is a secret.

Gypsy Marion has recently become our new stenographer and hope she enjoys her stay with us. Vera Stevenson is now working over in the 'Head shed'. Gilles Dion is still on PLS course at Base Borden - not a word has been heard from him - he must be commuting to Quebec on his days off to consort with his wife!

Robbie MacBourne has completed his aeromedevac course with high standing - congratulations Robbie.

Gordie McKenna has left 'Actionland', on transfer to CFS Masset-Comox's outer suburbia. He'll be back in the spring to collect his wife and family - when the snow and ice melts.

Talked on the Bell system to Doug Eddy recently, he's enjoying his new posting, but Oh Momma! is it ever cold in Goose Bay?

Dr. Brian O'Brien is now our one and only Flight Surgeon, having completed the F-S course with high honors - even tho' he was reported to have terrorized the natives of Winnipeg one night. We recently had a staff party at 'Toot's Place' on Zerkie Rd. Dr. Bethell provided the refreshments. This was in celebration of the completion of the research and paperwork for the OSMET. Vera's D.P.'s behaved during her sojourn in Sunny Hawaii, and her beautiful tan is fading fast in these northern climes. Carolyn is down east on leave, at present - How's life in the big city??

Shirley has finally made the switch and can be seen around the hospital in her new whites!! and is departing shortly for points east on leave.

Since the search at Prince George has been finalized, Vera and Shirley and their Medics have done 2 A-E's each!! with 442 Sqn. It rained so much earlier this month that Vic Hope came back to work from his week's leave - can't dig roots in the garden and walk dogs in the liquid sunshine.

Jim and Tim, our Orderly Room Clerks have been taking leave off and on. Jim is busy these days as the 'Gopher' for the CFB Totems. (Water Boy?)

Ed and Tim have been successful in obtaining their quota in deer shoots in the Comox woods together and have their quota of venison.

The Hospital Grey Cup Pool was won by Walter Bethell, half-time score and Larry Cole the final score.

A great expedition is being planned by staff members for a Giant Clam and Oyster Hunt on the eastern shores of the Island to provide sustenance for our future winter activities.

The dental clinic staff have been kept up on their toes and down on their drills lately. Joe MacDonald is recovering from Surgery, Cliff Mallard is on TD at

CFS Masset, Tony Fox is working part-time following hospitalization. Sgt. (W) Sandy Kirley was here from CFB Esquimalt for two weeks and Cpl. Peter Hansen came over from CFB Chilliwack for a week to help out. "P.J." Lunney has returned to the Unit from her course at Borden with whole bunches of new knowledge and skills. She had two weeks leave following the course to readjust to the working world.

Eric Cragg left Nov. 28 on TD at CFHQ to sit on the promotion board for Cpl's to M-Cpl's.

Brian Shaw has been skunked on all his forays into our local woods in search of the docile deer, and if only Brian O'Brien had known he could have hit and killed that elusive deer on Ryan Rd. the other day and sent to the Shows for their larder!!

Hopefully, by the New Year, the clinic staff will be at par and big things will start happening!

Wishing you and yours a Very Merry Christmas, the undersigned writers, bid adieu until 1972.

"Pepper & Salt"



I WON WHAT? The smiling faces shown above holding Grey Cup tickets are Mrs. Ev Palmer and Cpl. Ron Tribe. The tickets were presented to them by Cpl. Gord Palmer the North Island Minor Football Commissioner and WO Neil Black the manager of the North Island Warriors bantam football team. These two lucky people were the winners of a raffle for the Grey Cup tickets that was sponsored by the Warriors Football Club. I heard a rumour that Rin sold his tickets but I know that Ev attended the game and enjoyed it very much. She was cheering for Calgary so I heard. Cpl. Tribe was heard to comment that he would much rather spend the day looking for his golf balls out at Glacier Greens.

Search and Air-Evac For 442 Sqn.

It was almost a month ago today that 442 Sqn. was called upon to search for a missing a/c in the Williston Lake area. The crews were called out Thursday morning and a Buffalo and a Labrador left immediately for the search area. There they were joined the following day by a second Labrador. The searchmaster Capt. Gary Foster, his assistant Capt. Barry Farnham and WO Bob Senger left for Prince George early in the afternoon, courtesy of a 407 Argus.

Once in Prince George they set up search headquarters out at the airport, which was to become home for the next three weeks.

The search was for a Cherokee aircraft enroute from McKenzie to chumnam Creek 72 miles North of McKenzie along Williston Lake. The a/c was flown by a Mr. Bruce McPherson of Prince George who was carrying four passengers also of the Prince George area.

The low ceiling and poor visibility in the area continually hampered the Search efforts. Also the fresh snowfall made spotting very difficult. During the search 16" of snow fell at McKenzie and it was estimated at least 6' of snow fell in the high ground.

In spite of these conditions civilian assistance was quite readily given. There were 2 civilian a/c's helping almost every day and often up to 4.

The search area was not a large area and multiple coverage was had over the whole area. In fact the a/c searched a total of 13,000 sq. miles.

Unfortunately all this effort was to no avail and finally the search was terminated Nov. 24th.

Most air-evacs, from an aircrew point of view, are fairly straightforward. The main things to contend with are bad weather and possible altitude

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VOTE RASMUSSEN

Ray B. Rasmussen, retired member of 442 Squadron, is running in the December 11 municipal election for a seat on the Regional Board of the district of Comox-Strathcona. He is seeking election in Comox, known as Area B.

Ray came to the Comox district in 1964, and retired to his home on the Back Road in January, 1971. He hopes to be able to give his full time to the betterment of the local area.

Ray has a vast store of knowledge gleaned from several years of administrative work, plus a good knowledge of the local area gained in his capacity as a search and rescue helicopter pilot.

He is also active in the local Scout movement and has worked for several years in junior hockey and baseball.

His main concerns at present are a skating arena, road conditions, and water for specific areas.

Fills Tely's Shoes

A Dispatch For CFB Toronto

TORONTO (CFP) — "The Dispatch" is the new, bi-monthly service newspaper of Canadian Forces Base Toronto.

First edition of the eight-page tabloid has just rolled off the press with an offset printing run of 4,000 copies.

The editor, Lt. G.W. Pearson, indicates that plans call for the next edition to contain 12 pages, with a total run of 5,000 copies. Pearson is also the base's physical education and recreation officer.

Six news photos are displayed in the give-away paper, and the ratio of news to advertising is about 60-40.

Lt. Pearson states in his first editor's column that "longevity hasn't exactly been a characteristic feature of the various newspapers published by CFB Toronto in the last decade.

"As far back as 1960, a mimeographed booklet entitled 'PMQ News and Views' was published weekly. This booklet is still the record holder in terms of service. Indeed, it wasn't pensioned off until May 1, 1968."

The editorial went on to say that "this date heralded the arrival of the bi-monthly tabloid publication entitled 'Metro Military News'. As its name implied, it was intended that this first 'real newspaper' would be the agency for bringing news to all military units in the metro area, regular and reserve alike.

"However, for reasons too complex to go into here, this paper folded after eight months of operation. Since that time the burden has been ably carried by another mimeographed booklet bearing the same name. In essence, this paper is an extension of the 'Metro Military News', the objective being the same, to serve the military community."

The editorial continues, in part, "Like our predecessors, 'The Dispatch' will carry stories which will be of interest to the entire military community, stretching from Oshawa to the Niagara Peninsula."

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Hey, Schroeder, Ludwig is 201

One of the world's greatest conductors conducts the music of one of the world's greatest composers on a 90 minute special to be telecast in color on the CBC-TV network on Sunday, Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m. The program, Beethoven's Birthday: A Celebration in Vienna with Leonard Bernstein, was filmed in Vienna to mark the 200th anniversary of the birth of Ludwig van Beethoven last year.

Leonard Bernstein conducts the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, the Vienna State Opera Chorus and soloists in performances of three Beethoven works. Bernstein also narrates as the camera shows viewers parts of the city Beethoven loved and where he spent most of his working years.

Ludwig van Beethoven was born December 16, 1770 at 20 Bonngasse in the Rhine city of Bonn, Germany. He moved to Vienna permanently in 1792 to study and compose. A moody, sensitive man, disappointed in love and sometimes disappointed in life, Beethoven's troubles increased as he became deaf: by 1818 all communication with him was on paper. On March 26, 1827, a terrible thunder storm hit Vienna and at that night one of music's great rebels died. All Vienna mourned his passing.

Three Beethoven compositions will be performed: Piano Concerto No. 1 in C major, portions of Fidelio and Symphony No. 9 in D Minor.

Piano Concerto No. 1 in C major was taped at the Musikverein with Bernstein himself as soloist. The composition was written when Beethoven was still in his early 20s.

Rehearsals of, and excerpts from, Fidelio were filmed at the Theater an der Wien where Beethoven himself conducted the original premiere of his opera in 1805. The principal roles are sung by Gwyneth Jones, James King, Theo Adam and Franz Crass.

The program concludes with the fourth and final movement of the Ninth Symphony taped at the Konzerthaus. Gwyneth Jones, Shirley Veret, Placido Domingo and Martti Talvela are soloists in the choral finale for which Beethoven used a collaboration of voices and orchestra in setting to music Schiller's Ode to Joy.

The Peamouth Chub turns red at spawning time. Vancouver aquarists say the function of such color change is not known.

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BAPTISM: By appointment, usually the third Sunday of the month.

CATECHISM CLASSES: Are held each Wednesday evening in the PMQ School from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. for Grades I to IX inclusively. The last evening for Catechism Classes before the New Year is 15 December, and classes will commence again on 5 January, 1972.
CWL: The regular meeting of the CWL will take place in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, December 7th following 7:30 Mass.

CHOIR: The Junior Choir will meet every Wednesday evening in the PMQ School following Catechism classes at 7:30 p.m. Please note - there will be choir practice on 22 December at 7:30 p.m. - but no catechism classes.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING-RC CHAPEL COMMITTEE
The regular monthly meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Wednesday, December 8th at 1500 hrs in the Parish Hall. All Council members are urged to attend.

CHRISTMAS FOOD HAMPERS
Parishioners are reminded to bring donations of non-perishable groceries for the Christmas Food Hampers. There is a basket at the rear of the Church for this purpose. All food received is distributed to the needy in the area by the Salvation Army.

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5 Dec., 71 - Divine Worship 1100 hrs.

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Sunday School Pageant - 1400 hrs in the Station Theatre.

Candlelight Carol and White Gift Service at 1930 hrs (7:30 p.m.) in the Chapel. For the whole family. Bring gifts of canned food or cookies wrapped in Christmas paper.

24 Dec., 71 - Christmas Eve Communion Service at 2330 hrs (11:30 p.m.)

26 Dec., 71 - Family Service at 1100 hrs.

2 Jan., 72 - Family Service at 1100 hrs.

No Sunday School on the 26th of December and on the 2nd of January. As we are now in the Advent Season leading up to the birth of Christ we invite you to come and Worship with us as often as possible.

Continuing Education

BY VIC CAMILLERI

Following a recent meeting of resource people which discussed the topic of Family Relations education, a proven method of offering this type of instruction and service was selected. This approach will be discussed further and modified to suit local needs, later during January. The plan is to include this service as part of the Spring program which is scheduled to start in February.

Plans to inform the general public on Guidance and Counselling services in our School District are now finalized. Three sessions will be offered. The first session will inform the gathering as to the nature of these special services now operative in our schools; the second session will go into specifics; while the third session will be open to the public for questions relating to the subject. These sessions will be free of charge and everyone is invited to attend. The last two sessions will take place on Wednesdays of December 1, 8, and 15 in Courtenay Junior Secondary. The meetings will start at 8:00 p.m. and are expected to last until about 9:30 p.m. These sessions will include films, tapes, speakers, and open discussion.

Now a few words on the Spring program. This program will be a new package of courses that will be starting in early February and in some cases lasting to June. The emphasis will be on a wide selection and a trend towards the outdoors for later in the spring. One course that has been

requested by a number of callers is that of Yoga, including physical; this course is lined up and will definitely be part of the Spring selection. We have an excellent instructor hired for it in the person of Mrs. Liti Barker, some of you probably have already met this lady when she taught a similar course during the Summer School of the Arts last year. We have others slated and will have more as your desires and needs are made known to us. The information for this program will be published in January, 1972.

We always need more instructors. We recruit our instructors in a number of ways. In some cases we search for a qualified person to teach a particular subject; in other cases members of the general public approach us and offer their services for which they got paid. It is not easy to find qualified teachers for our programs; we rely on you to come forward. You have responded well in the past and we hope that you will continue to do so in the future. You are reasonably familiar with the areas of interest through our advertising material, particularly the brochure; however, do not hesitate to offer your services no matter what the subject matter might be. I urge you to consider your talents and an opportunity to help others and to make a contribution to the betterment of your community. Contact us at 799 Grant Ave. in Courtenay, or phone 338-5381.

PMQ Bingo

For this month at least, the PMQ Council is usurping the role of the Church. That's right, they're staging a bingo. The date is the 14th of December, the location is the Rec Centre, and the time is 2000 hrs for you servicemen, 8 p.m. for you civilians, and for you pilots, it's when Mickey's big hand is on the 12, his little hand is on the eight, and it's dark outside.

To help you concentrate on your cards, there will be suitable refreshments. By the time half-time rolls around, you might only be playing one card, but you will think you are playing two. A little confusion goes a long way toward ensuring that there are no winners. If you're hungry, chips and full snack bar facilities will go along way toward ensuring full stomach facilities.

The prizes for this entertainment special have been solicited from good-hearted local merchants, and bought from the not-so-good-hearted sharpies who run the LCB. (This advertisement, by the way, is not published or displayed by the Liquor Control Board or the province of British Columbia.)

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Through My Window

By ANN CROUSE

Each year on the eve of December 6th the children in Germany and a few other European countries, place their little shoes before the doors of their bedrooms. They know that "Sankt Nikolaus" (Saint Nicholas) will come to their homes during the night and fill their shoes with presents, like chocolate, sweets, apples, spicecake, walnuts and gingerbread.

That old traditional custom which has charmingly spread to include the young descendants of Europeans who now make Canada or U. S. their home, is connected with the festival day named after one Saint of the ancient Christian Church ... or perhaps even after two of them. For the legendary "Saint Nikolaus" is associated with two historical personalities: (1) Bishop Nicholas of Myra in Lykia (Greece) who lived during the 4th century; and (2) Abbot Nicholas of Sion who died as Bishop of Pinara in Lykia in 564 A.D.

However, it was only from the 10th Century onwards that "Sankt Nikolaus" has been commemorated as benefactor of mankind, and also as the Patron Saint of sailors, students and children. As far back as the early 1500s, Gerard David painted a picture of Saint Nicholas of Myra, showing him reaching through the window to bestow a bag of gold on the three sleeping daughters of an impoverished nobleman.

Now it happened, as the centuries passed by, that the name and functions of the original "Saint Nikolaus" became somewhat mixed up so that today he is frequently identified with either "Knecht Ruprecht" or even "Weihnachtsmann" (Father Christmas), and as such does not appear on December 6th but only around Christmas, accompanying the Christ Child.

Whatever name however that may be given to "Sankt Nikolaus" -- whether "Saint Nicholas", "Santa Claus", "Father Christmas", "Knecht Ruprecht" and whoever may have been his model, he has always been regarded as the personification of goodwill and Christian charity.

There is a wealth of stories from other Christmas tales that remind us of the spirit of Christmas. One such story happened in Baltimore and it concerned a man who although he wasn't a bum was only one step removed. He found a crumpled dollar bill and con-

templated celebrating with it when he spied a baseball bat in a window. With a snap in his step he mounted the steps of an orphanage with a wrapped baseball bat and handed it to an astonished Christian Brother, mumbling the words, "Give it to a kid that likes baseball." That bat was given to a boy whose very life became synonymous with baseball. In case you haven't already guessed, the orphan who received the bat was later known by the name of Babe Ruth.

We always think of Christmas as something particularly regular and permanent. Yet it is a fact that in England in 1644, Christmas was outlawed by an Act of Parliament. The day was declared a fast and a market day; shops were forced to stay open and plum puddings and mince pies were condemned as heathenish.

Many think that Christmas Day has become so commercialized that people are forgetting that the essence of Christmas is to celebrate Christ's birthday. Perhaps this is true of some people but as long as there are children around like the one in the following story there is little danger that the purpose of Christmas will disappear.

This little six year old boy was seen trudging down a street in San Francisco, dragging a new wagon with a tiny passenger. The passenger was the statue of the Christ Child from the crib of the neighbourhood church. Horrified, the boy's mother ran down the street and reprimanded her son sharply. "But Mother," the boy protested wide-eyed, "I promised the Baby Jesus that if He gave me a wagon for Christmas, He would have the first ride in it."

No one will deny that the enchantment of Christmas is the spirit that surrounds the whole season. It is the thrill of visiting family, friends, children laughing, the smile or tears of happiness, and all the things labelled "corny" but which we hold dear. Receiving and sending cards and letters can either be a chore or a joy, depending upon you. One friend of mine sent me a gem that gave me a new perspective on friendship. I hope you enjoy it as much as I do. "A friend is one to whom one may pour out all the contents of one's heart, chaff and grain together, knowing that the gentlest of hands will take it and sift it, keep what is worth keeping and with the breath of kindness blow the rest away."

Major Sterne Wins Medal For Bravery

OTTAWA (CFP) - Rescue of a driver from a burning car has won the Carnegie Hero Award for 36-year-old Major W. B. (Bill) Sterne, a member of the chief of personnel branch at CFHQ.

The incident leading to the award happened last Nov. 16, while the major was driving his son home from a hockey game at Almonte about 20 miles west of Ottawa.

Noticing a bright flash ahead of him on the highway, Major Sterne sped to the scene to find two interlocked cars engulfed in flames. As he approached the first car its gas tank exploded, spreading the fire from bumper to bumper. Despite an all-out effort, it was impossible to open doors and rescue the driver, Russell Bradley of Richmond, an air services operator.

Turning his attention to the second car, with flames coming from the engine and dashboard, Major Sterne was unable to open the driver's door. Disregarding the danger of further explosions,

Major Sterne raced to the other door and dragged the driver, 25-year-old Wendell Gourley of Kinburn, Ont., to safety.

A navigator, Major Sterne joined the RCAF at Sidney, B. C., in 1952. Before going to Ottawa he served with 409 Voodoo Squadron at CFB Comox.

He now lives in Richmond, near Ottawa, with his wife, Fay, and three sons, Karl, Greg and Ian.

The award was established in 1904 by industrialist and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie for recognizing acts of heroism. The medal measures three inches in diameter and contains a bust of Mr. Carnegie on one side, and the name and brief description of recipients' acts on the other.



GETTING READY for their Christmas journey are Jonathan Shadrach, Humpty Meshack and Aristophanes Abendigo, whom the Transylvanian Actor's Equity has chosen to produce the Three Wise Men saga this year. Humpty has been outfitted with an inertial star tracker that will preclude the caravan getting lost somewhere in the trackless sands. (A Piety photo)

Do-It-Yourself Bread Kit

The history of bread baking wouldn't be complete without recalling the early settlements in Canada and the marvels their crude kitchens produced.

In Western Canada, many early settlers carried little bowls of yeast starter with them on the squeaky-wheeled Red River carts that took them across the Touchwood Trail onto the wide, unsettled prairies. The men who had gone ahead to blaze the trail felt they were back in the enfolding warmth of home when their wives arrived with the yeast for fragrant white and gold loaves of bread.

Here is a recipe for Country Style Bread.

COUNTRY STYLE BREAD
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1 tablespoon sugar
2 packages (2 tablespoons) Fleischmann's Rapidmix or Fleischmann's Fast Rising Active Dry Yeast.
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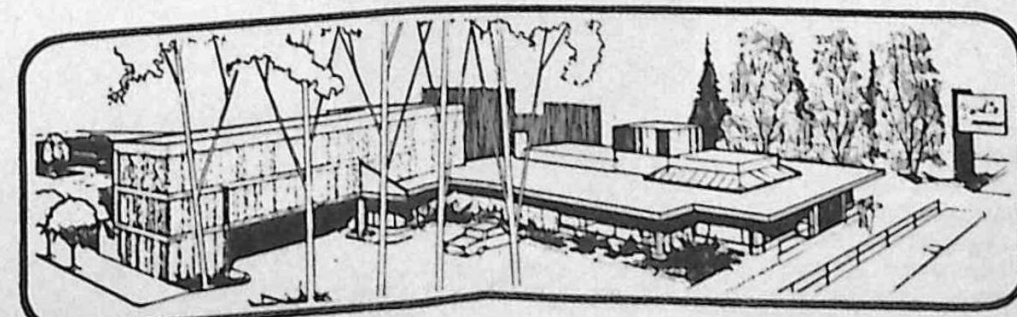
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Wed., 22 Dec. — Come out and host our Senior NCO's.



Play Exhibition Games

Totems Leagueless This Year

In a change from the practice of recent years, the CFB Comox Totems hockey team will this year be a fully service team. All the players on the team are members of the Canadian Armed Forces, based at CFB Comox.

Again unlike previous years, this year will see the team play exhibition games only, instead of entering a league. In February, the Totems will represent the base in the zone play-offs, and hopefully will pass that hurdle and represent the base in the

Canadian Armed Forces championships which will be held at CFB Edmonton in March, 1972.

Included on the team from the BAMEO organization are: Cpl. J. W. Kaulback, G. Murray, H. Knockwood, T. Mulligan and J. Parker. Representing Supply are Cpls. J. Smith and B. Howell. The Military Police have contributed Sgt. C. Hill, M Cpl. L. Clifton and Ptes R. Halde, J. Delage and B. Vanderweghe.

If you're on a hockey team, it's

nice to know that you are close to competent medical attention. Just how close this team is, is shown by the inclusion on it of Cpls J. Cassidy and P. Goulet from the hospital, and Cpl. R. Solomon from the Dental Clinic. Cpl. J. Hamilton is representing the Fire Hall, and base headquarters is represented by M Cpl. J. Waller and Cpl. D. Marshall.

407 Squadron has made a great contribution to the team. Representing the Whalekillers are: Lt. F. Robinson and Cpls. J.

Whelen, H. Hardy and K. Cowden. Lt. L. Harker from the Air Traffic Control works rounds off the team.

The team manager, Major Phil Perry, has scheduled the games and practices to ensure the least possible conflict with work schedules, but with the bulk of his team being shift workers, he is asking for every co-operation from section heads so that he might be able to put together a band of steel-eyed killers that will sweep all opposition before it.

Around The Totem Pole

By GORD PALMER

It is a good thing that the CFB Comox Totems did not have any hockey games scheduled for last weekend. Quite a few of the players on the team are slightly banged up as a result of their recent weekend series against the Cold Lake Packers.

In that series both the Totems and the Packers came up with some real fine hockey. The first game on Saturday night wound up in a 4-all tie as the Totems came up with two late goals to earn the tie. It was a different story on the Sunday afternoon as the Totems skated off with a 6 to 4 win. The fans that turned out to see these two games were treated to some real fine hockey. Close to 900 people saw these two games.

These two weekend games are an all out team effort by the Totems. They received outstanding performances from Jack Hamilton, Johnny Waller, John Kaulback, Keith Cowden and Jack Smith in goal and Barry Howell on defence. The Packers received fine performances from Wayne and Rusty Farr, Ray Hogan, Ron Heuman, Cal Hatt and Larry Poechman.

On Sunday, December 5, the Totems will host the Chemainus Blues from the South Island Intermediate League. This game will be played at Glacier Gardens

at 6:30 p.m. Playing with Chemainus this season is Dennis Huisman who played here with the Totems last season.

There will be a lot more interesting hockey in the weeks to come. On Saturday, December 11 CFB Esquimalt will be here and on December 18 it will be the CFB Trenton Travellers. The Totems are playing down in Victoria tonight (Thursday) so I will give you a report on that game in the next issue. The Zone

Youth Bowling

By JOAN MAKOWICHUK and LAURA WEBBER

Two tournaments will highlight youth bowling activities over the next couple of weeks. On Sunday, December 5, a master bantam tournament will be held. In this tournament, a master bowler picks one boy and one girl and the three of them attack the pins. The winner is determined by noting which of the teams bowls the most pins over their posted season average. This tournament is sponsored by the Festival of Sports.

A family twosome will be the next feature of the bowling season, and this competition will see one registered youth bowler, duly handicapped by either a father or mother, attempting to defeat another duly registered youth bowler similarly handicapped. Under the scoring for this tournament, the youth bowler will carry his or her season handicap - along with his or her inept parent - and the inept parent will be scored at scratch, which is a funny place indeed to be scored. Parents should note that in this tournament, which is held under the aegis of the Youth Bowling Congress, the "No Smoking" rule will be strictly enforced, a step that will be heartily applauded by the non-smokers in the group who will have a chance to breathe some air for a change.

Turning now to the results of the past couple of weeks' alley activities, we find that in the Bantam division, the Pussy Cats, Andy Caps and Red Barons share the league lead with 18 points. The Flintstones have 17 points, and the Shu Flies, Bugaloos and Scoobie Doo all have 15 points. The top average for the girls in this division is held by Karen Tucker with 163, and for the boys by Mark Makowichuk with 174.

1 finals will be played around the end of January but the exact location is not known for sure as yet. These games that are coming up should get the Totems into top notch condition for the zones and we will all be looking for big things from them.

Why don't you plan on coming out to Glacier Gardens to support the Totems. You will be treated to some real fine hockey and the Totems will appreciate your support.

Cpl. Zinck
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Thursday	2015-2200 hrs
Saturday	1400-1545 hrs

Changes in this schedule will be posted on the bulletin board in the Arena lobby, as well as on the Ticket Taker's booth.

Safe Driving For Bikes, Too

A more formal and tough set of laws covering bicycles and their operators has been recommended to Attorney General Les Peterson by the British Columbia Safety Council.

The report was produced by the Council's Home and School committee following a survey on bicycle accidents in B.C. earlier in the year.

Among recommendations: Cyclists riding without lights at night be subject to fines ranging up to \$25.

All bicycles sold in the province after January 1, 1973 should be equipped with built-in headlamps, approved reflectors, and highly reflective material on front forks and rear fenders.

Drivers' licences be required for bike riders.

All bicycles be subject to an annual inspection of mechanical condition.

Municipalities be requested to develop ways of separating bicycles and motor vehicle traffic.

Among other recommendations, the Safety Council report suggests that three-wheelers be classified as bicycles too - but only those driven by adults.

There was also importance attached to changing the name "rider" to "driver" when referring to bicycle operators as a means of connotating the seriousness of operating a bicycle, particularly in traffic conditions.

Like car drivers, bicycle drivers should be expected to make uniform signals when turning and would be prevented from making U-turns, the report recommends.

The report says that some 90 percent of cyclists ride at night at least occasionally, but only 20 percent have their cycles equipped with lights.

Council authorities commented that the bicycle accident survey showed that many of the school age cyclists involved in mishaps were riding on the left side of the road or commit other errors that in fact are against the law.

"It's this kind of evidence," said a spokesman, "that leads us to recommend that bicycle dealers be required to provide to purchasers a copy of the bicycle section of the motor vehicle act; to ask the provincial motor vehicles branch to prepare a bike driver's manual and to suggest a bicycle operators examination and license."

Nearly a quarter of the bicycle accidents surveyed were a result of mechanical failure, according to the council report, a figure large enough to warrant demands for an annual bicycle safety inspection.

In a long-term view, the council recommended that municipal authorities throughout the province be encouraged to find ways of separating car and bicycle traffic. Bicycle paths, it said, should be the long term goal of every municipality.

Future highways and streets should be planned to safely accommodate bicycles and shoulder portions of existing roads should be made suitable for bike traffic.

The report also suggested an interim benefit could result if existing streets and roads in and between communities were marked with signs to indicate a preferred bicycle route because of low car traffic.

A provincial bicycle registry office was also recommended as a clearinghouse for lost or stolen bikes and as an authority to operate an annual mechanical inspection service. Municipal registration was effective when bikes were a vehicle for young children only, the report said, but now thousands of people of all ages are on two wheels.

The Safety Council committee also felt evidence that about half the bike accidents reported involved a law violation, stricter enforcement may effectively reduce the accident rate.



POSING BESIDE THEIR IMPOSING FLEET of accidents waiting to happen, these base technical officers made the pledge to keep the highways safe for others by leaving their dilapidated jalopies at home in the driveway during Safe Driving Week. Last weekend, as members of the Comox Valley Bailing Wire, Chewing Gum and English Car Rallye Clubbe, the fearless fivesome held a car rally on some of the area's back roads. Ron

Fisher won the contest by finishing the course with the greatest number of fenders remaining after the 23-mile drive. Major Kerr, who is also a member of one of the anti-pollution groups in the area trailed the cars and threw the bits and pieces which fell off the contestants' cars into the back of his pick-up. He plans to build a car with the parts he collected. (MacHine photo)

Bread Recipe

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together. Stir in enough of the remaining flour to make a soft dough. Place in greased bowls, turning to grease top. Cover; let rise in warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk, about 1½ hours.

Punch dough down; divide into loaf size portions. Then knead each portion well.

Shape each piece into a round ball. Cover; let rise in warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk, about 1 hour. Knead gently again and shape into loaves. Place in greased 9 x 5 x 3 inch loaf pans. Cover; let rise in warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk, about 1 hour. Bake in hot oven (400 deg. F.) about 25 to 30 minutes, or until done. Remove from pans and cool on wire racks.

Youth Bowling

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average with 196. Brenda Makowichuk is the current holder of the high double title, having rolled a 479. For the boys, John Payne's 518 is tops. The high singles in the Junior division for the year have been rolled by Brenda Makowichuk, with 259, and Mike Ball with a classy 300.

In the Senior division, Baird, with 24½ points is in front of Larochelle with 22. Fogarty with 14 points and Carragher with 11½ are having some difficulty maintaining the pace. Gail Barlow has the girls high average by some 20 points with 183. Her nearest rival, Jo-Anne Tribe is rolling along at a 162 pace. In the boys side, the gap is even more pronounced. Richard Waytowich, with 239, has a 36

point edge on Pete Makowichuk, who has a 203 average. The girls high triple is owned by Gail Barlow, with a 654 series. For the boys, Pete Makowichuk's 696 is tops. High singles in the division have been rolled by Jo-Anne Tribe, with 258, and Brian Hatfield with 285.

Moving up to the Ladies League, we find that the Disturbers are one narrow point in front of the Swingers, who, in turn, are a point up on third-place Mixettes. The standings in this league are very close, with but eight points separating the top twelve teams. Anne Smith's 744 is the high triple champion, and Reina Ball's 316 is the high single.

Nuts and Bolts lead the Mixed League with 36½ points, 4½ ahead of General Tire - I didn't know we had a General Tire in the service - Oddballs. The high triples in this league belong to Laura Webber, 923, and Jerry Delamont, 832. High singles are Reina Ball, 343 and Pete Semon, 368. High averages are Joan Makowichuk, 220 and Dave Harrison, 233.

In the Men's League, Headquarters and Supply are tied with 32 points each. Pete Cowie's 872 leads the way in the high triples, while Adam Simpson's 376 is the high single. The high average for the year is Dick Waite, who is rolling along at a steady 241 pace.

The casual bowling that would normally take place on December 5 and 18 has been cancelled to allow the tournaments discussed earlier to be held.

Bowling Tip: Think positively. Positive thinking works in bowling!

Totems Tromp Towhees

The CFB Comox Totem basketball team has won two exhibition games in the local area by almost identical scores. The first game, which they won from the Vanier Towhees, was a 44-28 affair, as was the game they took from the Courtenay men's team.

The Totems were helped in their win by strong rebounding and excellent ball control. Both of these qualities were extremely important in the game against the younger and faster Towhees, who take their conditioning quite seriously.

In the Towhee game, Pat McBride led the team with 17

points. Mike Monteith netted 12, and Gus Hay contributed eight. Bill Keener scored six points. Leading the Towhees was Bob Weston, who broke through for eight points.

No details are currently available from the Courtenay game, as the team is too busy applying liniment to aching muscles to be of much use with a pen, or even pencil. However, for those of you whose lives will not be complete until you learn how potted how many points, details of these, and other exhibition basketball games will be posted in the Rec Centre as they become available.

Northern

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New Viking, all troops undergo survival training at the unit level at home bases. In the north they practice field craft, including protection, track discipline, camouflage, movement, and the construction of field defences.

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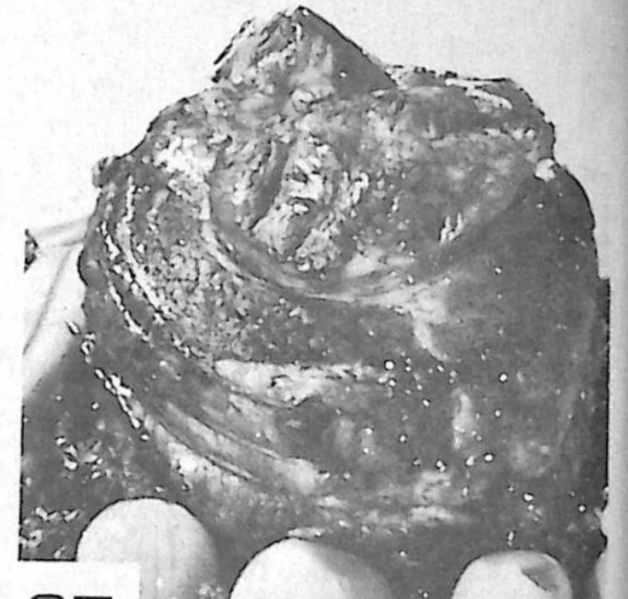
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