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FOOD

We have all tasted and eaten food we like and dislike and some of them remain quite clear in our memories and mental palates. There is a delectable dish the Chinese serve, in North China mostly I think, called Velvet Chicken and it does not belie its name. I regret I never learnt how to do it, but when served the chicken and special liquid it was cooked in melted in the mouth and the texture really was like velvet. Then there is Peking Duck. Cooked to perfection, oozing grease and richness. The bird is cut and served in a sort of dry pancake made of flour and water. The duck is literally wrapped in blanket of pancake and when eating fat runs out at the corners of the mouth, it is eaten with the fingers. There is another rather delicious dish. Little turnovers made of just plain dough, not the kind made here with shortening, filled with very tasty mince and seasoned, the Chinese have the knack of seasoning, and tossed into boiling water. The children were known to eat 25 and 30 at one sitting though there was a definite sag about their appearance afterwards !- and * they felt soporific like Peter Rabbit when he had eaten Mr. McGregor's lettuce. One memory is particularly unpleasant. At a friends house in inland China some years ago, she suggested we visit some of the old people in the village, very very poor but happy to have heard the "foreigner's" gospel and very hospitable. After chatting

a bit a dear old lady, shrivelled and wrinkled beyond description with joy in every wrinkle offered us the best she had. This was a basin of sweet almond water in which floated 2 doves' eggs whole. The smell was sickly to begin with and the idea of swallowing these eggs whole with this liquid revolted one's stomach, and yet to refuse would have caused the greatest hurt. I sat silent watching these wretched eggs floating around, trying to prepare myself for the ordeal. Then with a mighty effort and with a sickly grin on my face I shut my eyes, got a mouthful of liquid and one egg and with a horrible gurgly gulp swallowed it. Revulsion must have driven my mind blank for the next thing I remember is the old lady smilingly taking the empty dish from my hand. I have no recollection of swallowing the other egg, but it was gone! My enthusiasm to visit village folk waned considerably after that. But there are many foods to gladden the palate, those delicious rolls and butter and honey in Switzerland, and the Danish have a perfectly mouth-watering dish made with rice that they serve about Xmas time, I remember we had some

once and the man of our house spent the night in very unpleasant circumstances having eaten too much of the rish dish! The Greeks serve rich and delectable dishes, the kind that makes one wish one had been more restrained during the meal. The Indians know how to make and serve tasty Curry and so it could go on, and yet at the end there are some who will say with great feeling, "give me a good roast joint of beef (can anyone afford one now?) Yorkshire pudding, roast potaoes, thick gravy and some green stuff and I'll be content," surely English people think this, what do Canadians really relish, it would be interesting to know.

I wrote an article on Food and after finishing it received a book written by a friend who lived in China for many years, enlarging in a very interesting way on this same subject, and he gives a list of different dishes of some of which I have never heard. I thought it might be interesting to write out a few which I'm sure will tempt the palate and in some cases definitely revolt. Here they are:

Shark's fins, pork balls, floating in soup. glutinous rice with crystallised cherries and lotus seeds boiled in sugar. Eels, clams, and then Rice bird (cooked in its entirety) seaweed, millet, glutinous millet, bitter cabbage, scented mushroom, garlic. bracken starch, wood ear, (a fungus on trees used with pork and popular at weddings), stone ear, (a fungus on stones) "Hundred year old eggs (eggs preserved in lime and husks) Sliced they reveal green, black and yellow layers and have a unique flavour, quite agreeable, arrowroot turns blue when cooked. Chrysanthemum and jasmine flowers mixed with tea leaves is a delightful hot drink. Some more rare articles of food are a soup made of Mare's Milk and Blood. Eaten as delicacies are the Larvae of the Sphinx Moth and a grub bred in the sugar cane. Monkey brains, uncooked. You should know that nests used for Birds' Nest Soup are gathered from South China cliff sides, also from Java, Borneo and Celebes. A Chinese compilation records 832 vegetables."

There does not seem to be any need for any enlargement on the above, it is to be hoped that "housewives' headache" may now be stimulated by these suggestions.

CORDOVA BAY COMMUNITY CLUB

The next General Meeting of the Club will be held on Wednesday, March 7th, 1951, either in McMorran's Coffee Shop or in the Community Hall on Sutcliffe Road at 8:00 p.m.

HALL PROGRESS

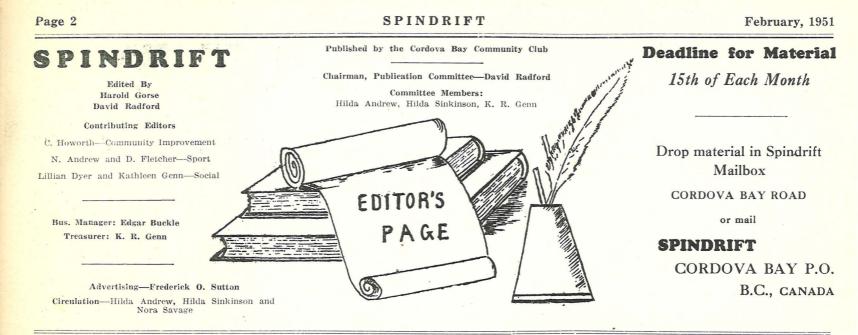
Fellow members—In our last issue we were able to pat ourselves on the back for the good beginning we have made thus far in 1951. In spite of cold winds and many inclement days we have made a very good total for the month.

We should, from now on, make good progress as we are able to work under cover.

Here are our efforts for January, com- plete: Hours				
As per Jan. "Spindrift"	36			
Sunday, Jan. 14—(Fine day). Lining inside of Hall; trenching for water pipe; refreshments by Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ward	32			
Wed. Jan. 17 — (Snow and sleet). Sheeting inside walls	8			
Thurs. Jan. 18—(Fine, cold). Sheet- ing inside walls	2			
Friday, Jan. 19. (Fine, cold). Sheet-	- Contraction			
ing inside walls	4			
Sunday, Feb. 21—(Fine). Sheeting, cutting and fixing steps; plumbing. Refreshments by Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ward Monday, Jan. 22—(Dull). Sheeting	30			
inside	2			
Tuesday, Jan. 23—(Dull). Sheeting inside	3			
Wed. Jan. 24—(Fine). Sheeting, cutt- ing out steps, bracing	8			
Thurs. Jan. 25 — (Rain). Fixing cement base for chimney	3			
Friday, Jan. 26—(Rain). Cleaning up a little	2			
Sunday, Jan. 28—(Frost, N.E. Gale). Packing shiplap under cover	5			
Total	135			

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I should like, at this point, to invite all those of our neighbors, who are interested in our Community Hall, to come along and see for themselves our progress to date. I feel sure such a visit will show them clearly that our efforts are worthy of their help and co-operation. We will greatly apreciate their help in anyway to get our hall in service at the earliest possible date.



Editorial: THE CLUB'S ACCOUNTS

Accounting, like the other professions, has a terminology of its own which makes it difficult for the layman to understand.

We have often thought that an explanation of the accounts couched in the simplest words might be a considerable help in assisting the Club Members to grasp their meaning. The necessity of attemptoing to do so was further brought home to us by a remark made Mr. George Rickard in his report in Spindrift on the September Club Meeting at which the accounts for the first half of 1950 were presented. The remark was "Audited Balance Sheets covering the first six months of the year's working were read and approved, but in common with such things were so worded that the only impression I received was that we were solvent."

The Audited Accounts consist of a Balance Sheet which shows the Assets, that is what the Club possesses and the Liabilities, that is what it owes. The difference being made up of Reserves of various kinds and a surplus which is the difference between the Assets on the one hand and the Liabilities and Reserves on the other.

The Possessions are Cash on Hand and in Bank, The Community Hall Site and Building which is the total amount spent on the Site and Building and a few Christmas Presents valued at a nominal sum.

What the Club owes are Accounts Payable and Prepaid Membership Dues, which latter the Club would have to repay in the event of a member who had paid his dues in advance, resigning before what he had paid in advance had run out.

The Reserves are of three kinds, the Capital Reserve which is a true Reserve since its represent money set aside in a Special Bank Account which shows among the Assets. The Bad Debt Reserve, and The Anti-Secession Campaign Expense Reserve are amounts set aside out of the excess of Income over Expenses for the purpose of providing for members dues which may not be collected and Anti-Secession Campaign Expenses which the Club may have to pay. The Sports Equipment Reserve was established frcm collections made at Games. These three Reserves are not represented by any special funds among the assets and the money for them when it is required will have to be provided from the General Funds of the Club.

The third, the Building Fund Reserve represents the total amount collected from all sources for the purpose of acquiring the Hall Site and building the Hall less any expenses incurred in raising the money.

Following the Balance Sheet is the Operating Account which shows the Income and Expenses for the Half-Year and what has been done with the difference between the two. From this difference there may be set aside whatever amounts are considered necessary such as Reserves for Members Dues and Anti-Secession Campaign Expenses. The amount then remaining, if any, has by the By-Laws of the Club to be divided equally between the Capital Reserve Account and the Surplus Account and the amount for Capital Reserve Account has to be taken from the General Bank Account and placed in the Capital Reserve Bank Account thereby depriving the Club of the use of this money for general purposes. an arrangement which, since all we can raise goes into the Building Fund, makes, at times, the ordinary operation of the Club difficult.

There may also be attached to the Accounts various schedules showing the income and expenses of any important project carried out during the Half-Year and the details of any account appearing in the Balance Sheet.

ANTI-SECESSION CAMPAIGN FUND

I am sure you have not forgotten the Community Club assisted by a considerable number of people who are not Club Members made a house to house canvass of voters to try to keep former Ward 5 in Saanich Municipality. The result showed very clearly that what they were doing had your approval. It will be a great help if you will now show your appreciation by contributing to the Fund.

I have to acknowledge subscriptions from: Mrs. Currie, Mr. D. W. Gilbert and Mr. Alf Carter.

Objective			 \$150.00
Collected	to	Date	 44.00
Required			 106.00

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge with thanks a donation from Mrs. Ranger of \$1.00 for Spindrift and from Mr. Robert Sutcliffe a special \$5.00 for the Building Fund. Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Phipps, \$1.00; Mrs. Clack, \$1.00; and Mr. R. Sutcliffe, 60c, for Spindrift.

GIRL GUIDES AND BROWNIES

The Annual General Meeting of the Cordova Bay Girl Guides and Brownies Association was held at the home of Mrs. Ganner Tuesday, February 6th, 1950.

Both Guides and Brownies reported a very successful year. The Reports of the President and the Secretary-Treasurer were read and adopted, after which the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. D. Bosher; Vice-President, Mrs. W. Tucker; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. P. L. Lewis.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. W. Tucker, Agate Lane, on Thursday March 8th, at 8:00 p.m.

(Mrs.) P. L. Lewis, Sec'y.-Treas.

February, 1951

MT. NEWTON P-T.A.

An interesting Quiz programme featured the February meeting of the Mount Newton P-T.A. Contestants were local elementary school pupils. Those taking part were: from Keating, Jerene Hafer, Carol Steele and Donna Speers; from Saanichton, Toni Prosky, Jean Facey, and Jack Turner; from West Saanich, Jacqueline Cubbage, Sylvia Cave, Donnie Greenhalgh.

Quizzmaster was M. F. Connor and the "quiz" questions called for the recognition of musical tunes, knowledge of arithmetic, nursery rhymes and current events. Mrs. J. M. Gyllenspetz was pianist. Judges were Mrs. R. Mills, E. W. Hatch, and Miss E. McCormick.

Keating School for winning first prize received a book award donated by the Mount Newton P-T.A. All the other entrants were awarded chocolate bars.

During the business session, President . Salmon reported on activities of the last Victoria District Council meeting. He informed members that the President of the Sub-Council of District No. 63 would automatically become a member of the Victoria District Council.

The meeting took action to have pictures of the graduating classes framed and displayed in the school.

The group will observe "Education Week" at its March meeting when Dr. Conway of the Department of Education, will be the special speaker.

Refreshments were served by the Social Committee.

Next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 6th, at 8:00 p.m.

A. E. Vogee.

NITED CHURCH NOTES

The Congregation of the United Church in Cordova Bay has outgrown the place of meeting in the home of Rev. W. H. and Mrs. Day, on Gordon Road, so through the kindness of Mr. McMorran temporary accommodation has been provided in the Coffee Room adjoining the pavilion, and services are now being held there each Sunday morning. However, in co-operation with the newly formed Church Extension Committee of the Victoria Presbytery it is hoped that a more permanent place of worship will be secured either by building a church or in some other suitable place. It is also hoped that by the beginning of the School term in September arrangements can be made to start a Sunday School for United Church pupils. The ladies of the congregation have decided to organize and have held their first meeting, and have elected as officers the following: President, Mrs. D. Aitken; Secretary, Mrs. J. Harding and Treasurer, Mrs. F. A. Nelson. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. D. Aitken on Thursday afternoon W. H. Day. March 8th.

ST. DAVID'S WOMEN'S GUILD

The regular monthly meeting of the St. David's Women's Guild was held recently at the home of Mrs. A. N. Thomas, Cordova Bay Road. It was decided to hold a sale of Hot Cross Buns which will take place in the Church Hall at 4:00 p.m., on Thursday, March 29th. Donations of buns will be greatly appreciated. The members voted an initial sum of \$25.00 to the Organ Fund which is being organized by the Church Choir. At the close of the meeting tea was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. J. Wyper.

The next regular meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. M. Fairclough, Doumac Avenue, at 2:30 p.m.

Lillian Dyer.

CORDOVA BAY P-T.A. NEWS

The regular monthly meeting of Cordova Bay P-T.A. took place in the School, Thursday, January 25. President V. L. Goddard was in the chair. The reading of the Treasurer's report disclosed the associations funds were in bad shape. Suggestions for raising funds offered from the floor were: (a) Each family to be responsible for raising \$1.00 by some talent or hobby; and (b) Each member to invite four friends for cards and make a small charge, the highest score from each party to be phoned in to Mr. Goddard and prizes to be given the top scores.

Following business Mr. E. Roberts delighted the audience with two piano solos, Chopin's "Prelude in C Minor", and Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata".

Mrs. H. Walker, the school nurse, urged all members to listen to "Health Education" over Radio Station CJVI, on Saturdays at 8:15 p.m.

Dr. H. Beattie, District Health Doctor, was next introduced to members. He showed the two following films: "He Acts His Age," and "Family Life,", both excellent.

A highlight of the evening featured Mr. K. Sturgeon, School Principal, cutting a four-candled birthday cake, marking the fourth year in operation of the school and P.T.A. Refreshments were served to all.

J. Crampton, Pub. Convenor.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The Women's World Day of Prayer Service at Cordova Bay on Friday, February 9th, was well attended. The offering of \$13.36 was sent direct to the Inter-Church Committee for the distribution of Christian Literature. Mrs. E. McWean gave a most helpful address.

M. French, Convenor.

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PRO-REC DISPLAY

The Cordova Bay Pro-Rec Group will give their Closing Display of work in St. David's Church Hall on March 12, 1951, at 8:00 p.m.

The Cordova Bay Ladies will give an exhibition of Exercises and Dances and the Cordova Bay Girls Tumbling and Dancing.

The programme will be varied by the Group's Guests, Men and Boys under Mr. Kelter and Ladies' and Girls' from Victoria Centres.

Tickets, 25c each, can be obtained from Pro-Rec Members.

Del Leith.

CORDOVA BAY UNITED CHURCH

The Women's Group in connection with the Cordova Bay United Church, will hold the next meeting at the home of Mrs. D. Aitken, Box 2340, on Thursday, March 8, at 2:30 p.m.

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CONFESSIONS OF A COUNCILLOR

By Grace Shaw

A TYPICAL WEEK:

Monday — Drove around Saanich for four hours in viewing properties coming up for discussion. In the evening attended council meeting.

Tuesday—With Reeve Casey and Councillor Passmore slogged through snow and slush to meet with Reeve Pickles and his council over fire protection for Central Saanich.

Wednesday—Dangerous trees to report in p.m., and C.B.C. Club in the evening.

Thursday — Court of Revision from morn till eve. In late afternoon was special guest of Local Council of Women. In the evening attended with your Reeve and three other councillors the meeting called by the Richmond Ratepayers Association.

Friday—Dropped in on sewers and drainage committee at work on estimates. Later was special guest of the Hampton Park Committee.

Saturday—Reviewed wage-scale figures in province in preparation for special meeting Monday.

My opinion is that we made a mistake offering Central Saanich temporary fireprotection for \$50 a week. It was a friendly gesture. But Reeve Pickles was quick to take advantage. He tried to claim this figure as a basis for permanent agreement.

While we were negotiating at the front door he was already dickering at the back door with the North Saanich Fire Department. Granted fire costs are too high, but we were not asking a price we were stating a cost.

Example: Central Saanich had a fire February 5th. A very small one. It cost us \$247.00 to put out Reeve Pickles' fire.

Much to our surprise we all received a pass to the Tillicum Drive-In Theatre. Two weeks later your Council received a request to drain the site. Request not granted.

It can happen here. At the Court of Revision four ratepayers, at the recommendation of Assessor Green, got tax reductions. Others pending. One ratepayer who came to complain of lack of services was found to be under-assessed. He received a 10 per cent increase on improvements.

If Saanich means land-of-plenty, does Blenkinsop mean land-of-waters?

Secession again. February 13 we met with the combined forces of the Cadboro-



SPINDRIFT Bay-Gordon Head Ratepayers' Associa-

Bay-Gordon Head Ratepayers' Association. The Reeve and Councillors Passmore and Bate went to bat for Saanich.

These are the people who voted solidly for us here in former Ward 5 to secede with Central Saanich, in spite of the fact that they knew we did not want to secede. And the reason? If areas like Cordova Bay and Royal Oak had been forced to secede then a strong argument would have been present for this Association amalgamating with Oak Bay.

THE CALLER MORN

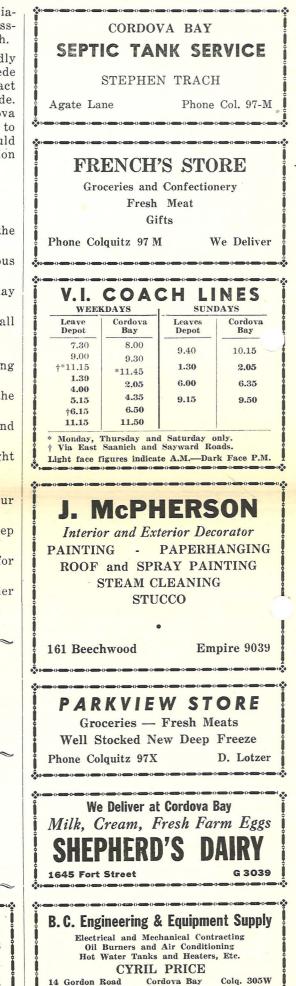
- Actions born of hobby or task fill out the busy day
- Body and mind at evening win luxurious lethargy,
- Night and sleep new vigor bring, ere day is scarcely due
- I eager wander forth to greet a world all strangely new.
- For I love the caller morning air stirring the dewy trees
- The tang of night still lingering in the flower scented breeze;
- The world o'er night has rolled around and golden dawn appears
- All glorious light through foliage bright gemmed with pearly tears.
- In ecstacy I revel in this wondrous hour of morn,
- Tremendous, grand; while thousands sleep another day is born.
- My soul's enriched, denied are none, for all who wish may share
- The beauty of, the glory of, God's caller morn and fair.

(W. J. MacA.)

COME TO THE CLUB MEETING

SAANICH NEEDS BETTER SANITATION SUPPORT THE SEWER BY-LAW





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OF LOCAL INTEREST

Congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. J. Barber-Starkey, East Saanich Road, on the birth of their son, on February 5th.

Congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lax, on the birth of their daughter.

We are sorry to hear of the passing of Miss Mary Ellen Hunter, Gordon Road. Miss Hunter was 87 years old.

We sincerely hope that all good friends and neighbors, who have been "down under" with the Flu, are on the mend.

The many friends of Mr. K. M. Sturgeon will be glad to hear that he is recuperating after a serious illness.

Mr. J. E. French is also improving from a bad attack of Flu. We hope he will be up and around again soon.

We are sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jeune, Parker Avenue, who are moving into the city.

We would like to extend our welcome to the ollowing residents, who have recently moved into their new homes, Mr. and Mrs. C. Foster, Parker Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Alan Pottage, "The Pools", Cordova Bay Road; and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ewen, Parker Avenue.

Mrs. G. Andrews and Mrs. N. E. Hinton have returned from a trip to Honolulu, where they enjoyed basking in the sun.

Mrs. T. E. Haliday, of Simon Sound, has been visiting at the home of her brother, W. Tucker.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Miller and Miss Miller who recently arrived from Vancouver and purchased the Buchanan home.

Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan and family have taken up temporary residence on Cordova Bay Road.

r. and Mrs. Sweet, who formerly occuthe Travers suite, have moved to the City.

Mrs. Rose Cebelak and daughter are visiting Mrs. Cebelak's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholls on Agate Lane.

Grace and Jack Shaw ran into Art Hughes, former resident and member of C.B.C.C., selling shoes in the Bon Marche, Seattle. Mr. Hughes was an employee of T. Eaton and Co.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Pope, Cordova Bay Road, have moved temporarily to Brookleigh Road.

While awaiting construction of their new home in Gordon Head, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Curtis are at present occupying the cottage of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stephenson, Cordova Bay Road.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shaw, D'Arcy Lane, have returned from a short business trip to Vancouver and Seattle.

Mrs. Belsham, East Saanich Road, entertained at tea, in honour of the Misses Doris and Kay Cleland, from Winnipeg, who have been spending a few days with their brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cleland, Wesley Road. Mrs. W. H. Ronald, Cordova Bay Road, entertained recently with three tables of novelty bridge in honor of her husband's birthday.

Invited guests to Susan Sinkinson's party, celebrating her seventh birthday, were: Amanda and Jeffrey Shaw, Beatrice and Doris Jones and Beth Elliot. The small guests enjoyed refreshments served from a gaily decorated table, centred with a birthday cake.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Andrew, Tod Inlet, were guests of honor at a family dinner party, given by their son and daughter-inlaw, Mr. and Mrs. Noel Andrew, to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary, January 20th. Members of the family attending were: Mr. and Mrs. K. Kennaird and John, Mr. and Mrs. G. Fee, Mr. and Mrs. H. Andrew, Mr. and Mrs. E. Marshall, Misses Pat and Pam Biscoe, Carol and Brian Andrew.

Honoring her two sons, Terry aged seven, and Lawrence aged four, Mrs. H. Pope entertained at a delightful birthday party. The boys have the unusual distinction of sharing the same birth date. Those helping to celebrate the occasion were: Linda Ross, Lynn Morton, Jacqueline Chaffey and Ann Warden. And from Victoria, Edward Dyke and Billy Ryan.

Wendy Crampton celebrated her ninth birthday recently, when her mother entertained in her honor. Games were played and refreshments were enjoyed by the following guests: Barbara Dyer, Jacqueline Chaffey, Gail Byers, Denise Poyntz, Gillian Thompson, Susie and Stephen Foster, David and Philip Crampton, and Bonnie, Susie and Christopher Footner.

The wedding of Almeda Mildred Lindstrom, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Lindstrom, of Wadena, Sas., to Blayney John Scott, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Scott, 2160 Windsor Road, Victoria, took place on January 22, 1951, at the home of the groom's parents. The Rev. Mr. Day officiated. Miss Norma Lindstrom was bridesmaid for her sister and Mr. T. Peetz supported the groom. The wedding music was played by Mrs. Alan Pottage. The reception was held at Hampton Hall. Mr. and Mrs. Scott will make their home in Vancouver.

On January 21st, at St. David's-by-the-Sea, the christening took place of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Rickard, receiving the name of Roger.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. J. Lester, Major Road, on their silver wedding anniversary, January 9, 1951.

Children of the Play Group were guests at Bobby Walsh's birthday party when he celebrated his sixth birthday, January 26. Films were shown by Mr. Phillips on preschool group work. A large cake was the highlight of the refreshments.

> Kitty Genn Lillian Dyer

PLAY GROUP

A meeting was held of the Play Group Committee on Feb. 13th at the home of Mrs. M. Macintosh. An address was given by Miss Crickmay, Speech Therapist for Greater Victoria School Board, on speech defect, and proper approach for correction by parents.

CORDOVA BAY

Beneath the azure sky There lies a bay; Cordova is its name-Where children play. Along the sandy banks Crabs, clams lie deep; White gulls soar high above And fishes leap. Across the shimmering blue Dark hills arise; Beyond, great mountains pierce The lowering skies. Some distant motor hums, A white sail flaps. Young voices float aloft, A stray dog yaps. The fragrant air is filled With laugher gay. Oh! there's no haven like Cordova Bay! B. L. Sales and Service on all Heating Equipment ELK LAKE MACHINE SHOP Shop: Col. 2Y Res. Col. 81G STEVENSONS CHOCOLATES Always in Good Taste As a good will gesture to the Community Club, we will give a 10% Discount on any Purchase if you Present this Ad. STEVENSONS CHOCOLATES 725 YATES STREET FRED SUTTON COLLISON PAPER CO. 560 Yates Street Phone E-7611 "If it's Paper or Paper Products, we have it!" RES **Easy Terms** 115018 Back of the "Bay" Ben Dyer 1620 Arena Way B-4522

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CLUB MEETING

The Monthly General Meeting of the Club was held on the 7th February in Mc-Morran's Coffee Shop, the attendance being average.

After the reading and adoption of the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting Mr. Renfrew, Improvements Director, had something to say about our Water Supply and held out hopes that it would remain clear throughout the year. Later in the meeting Mrs. Shaw and Mr. Genn gave an explanation of the Water System as affected by the new Reservoir. It is hoped that it will now be unnecessary to use the wells. The Saanich Council is to be asked if this will be the case. Mr. Howorth reported that the Petition for Street Lights is still in process of being circulated although the circulation seems to require a little more energetic pumping. This job will have to be completed early in March to be in time for the approval of the Saanich Council. Mrs. Renfrew reported that the arrangements for the "Valentine's Dance" in Saanichton Hall on February 16th are well under way and tickets are now available. Publicity for the Dance is to be arranged in "Coming Events" and by Radio. Hopes were expressed that all who could possibly do so would attend.

Mr. Dyer announced that a Programme of Sports is being arranged for the com-ing season. Mr. Savage indicated that there is a definite possibility of being able to hold the next Monthly Meeting in our New Hall. Doors and Chairs are needed and anyone with a decent looking door or a chair which will hold a reasonable weight is requested to pass the article on to the Building Comittee. A discussion took place on Newspaper Publicity. The feeling of the Meeting being that this was worth while whenever there was anything of general interest to report. Mr. Genn read his reports as Treasurer of Spindrift and of the Building Fund Committee. The Spindrift Report showed that with the assistance of \$15.00 a month from the Club and some donations from friends there was a surplus of 75c. At long last, the remainder of Blenkinsop Road is to be surfaced this year.

Mr. Sinkinson, the President obtained the approval of the Meeting to vary the procedure by limiting the business part of the Monthly Meetings to an hour and devoting the next forty minutes to an address by a guest speaker followed by a discussion and to wind up the meeting with the usual coffee and biscuits. It is hoped that this will add variety and attract a much greater attendance. If it can be arranged there will be a Speaker on Education at the next meeting, if not, some other form of entertainment will be provided.

Mr. Genn announced that Mr. Noel Andrew and Mr. George Ross have been appointed Joint Chairmen of the Building Fund Committee with Mr. H. D. Radford as Treasurer, while Mr. Genn will continue to hold the Treasurership of the Pledge Committee.

SPINDRIFT

Mrs. Lindal introduced the following new members who were welcomed to the Club. Mr. and Mrs. McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie and Miss Mildred French.

Harold Gorse, Pub. Director.

ABOUT PLEDGES

We like the story of the man who had pledged himself to make a monthly contribution to the Hall Building Fund. Many months ago his district collector had moved away. So, one day recently another collector called on him to see if he would be interested in another pledge. He went to his shelf, took down an old brown jug and handed the collector nine dollars. For a long time this gentleman had faithfully stored away his pledge, awaiting the day.

By the way Mr. Ken Genn, chairman of the pledge committee, reported to the last general meeting that he had \$880.00 for 1950 pledges.

G. S., Sec'y. Pledge Com.



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