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SWING YOUR PARTNERS

Today's Canadian citizens are direct descendants of a courageous group of pioneers who pushed back the frontiers of our land to build homes and rear their children in peace and freedom and call no man their master. The early settlers formed communities as a measure of preservation and soon found that although they came from all over the globe they had much in common. They learned to rely on each other and to enjoy and treasure the confidence reposed in them by their neighbours.

Their only entertainment was the enjoyment of each other's company and it was natural that "group" dances where ight or more people could simultaneously dance became popular. Those who could, helped or talked the untrained dancers through the figures of the dance. Some having louder voices than others, and the ability to describe the movements required, soon came to be in demand and thus was born the square dance "caller."

There are no expert square dancers. Some people dance more regularly than others and have been doing so longer, and it is natural they can react to the calls more quickly. Real square dancers are always ready and willing to dance with the newer dancers and help them through the figures.

Let us not give the impression that square dancing is simple. It isn't. There are approximately 80 calls or movements basic square dancing and somewhere in the neighbourhood of 30,000 figures that can be danced using different combinations of these. That is why it is always a challenge and never becomes a mechanical motion. This, probably more than anything, is why dancers continue for years to get such keen enjoyment out of square dancing.

It is dancing, and the men in their exuberance must never be rough with the girls. Remember fellas, they came to dance and not be flung about or whirled off their feet. It is unpardonable to attend under the influence of alcohol. You can't square dance and drink. This is a recreation that needs no stimulant.

Square dance dress is: full skirts and low heels for the girls; men wear long-sleeved sports shirts open at the neck if you like, or western-style neck ties.

As a true community activity, it is easy to see why square dancing finds such broad acceptance. The "square" gives the people the opportunity to dance with and enjoy living in harmony with their neighbours. The roll and rhythm of the music appeals to people of all ages. With eight people dancing together their enthusiasm is contagious. Square dancing keeps the mind clear and the body young.

The easiest and most enjoyable way to take up square dancing is with a beginners' class. The caller and teacher starts the group off with a few simple basic movements which are "walked thru" and in a matter of half an hour you do your first square dance, and you continue to learn by doing. Naturally, you make mistakes, and you laugh at them and the others laugh with you.

This is one class where nobody sits down until coffee time, then you bring out your thermos and sandwich and get better acquainted with your new-found friends.

Beginners' classes will be started September 15, in the Cordova Bay Community Hall, sponsored by the Community Club and, as well as adding to the diversified recreation of the club, will help them financially. Classes will be held thereafter on the first and third Saturdays, from 8 to 11 p.m. until further notice. Admission will be a dollar a couple and each couple is asked to bring their own lunch

Both Western square and round dancing will be on the program.

Speaking from experience, the writer can assure you that these classes are as much fun as regular dances, so girls, drag "father" out the first couple of evenings, and from then on you will have no trouble. I speak from the experience of one who was dragged.

W. H. (Hud) Graham.

Shocking Scandal in the Bay!

I happened to have a preview of the article, on another page, which the editors wrote as a guide to contributors. I've pinched one idea—the heading. One thing people will read is scandal. If you think I'm biased or cynical that's not a lucky guess—you're dead right.

The subject is, of course, badminton. There must be a few people who know nothing of this happy little pastime we have here in Badminton Bay and for you dear people I'm going to explain just a few points.

First, dress. Shirt or blouse, shorts and, to save our floor, correct shoes. This uniform is partly for freedom, partly for the excuse of "I was frozen stiff," after playing a lousy game, and for the lucky few, for effect. If you have any doubts or fears as to how you'll look in shorts wait till you've seen me and you'll never be afraid. Even now my ever-loving is inclined to fits of hysterical cackles when she sees me in a bright light, togged up like a pure Boy Scout.

Other impediments needed are a shuttle-cock (bird) and a racquet (club). The latter aptly named in some ways, especi-

ally after one has received a smart crack on the noggin from an over-enthusiastic partner.

As in tennis, badminton is played as singles, doubles and mixed doubles. Seeing I couldn't beat my five-year-old son at singles I have nothing but contempt for that game. If you run like a hare, jump like a springbok and make with the muscles you can try singles. I score zero on all points. In my far-away youth I sent for the Charles Atlas course on physical culture. After a month I wrote something like this: "Dear Mr. Atlas: Have read and studied your postal course. Will you please send muscles by next mail, my young sister is still beating me up." If you suspect that's just a story, I respect your low, suspicious mind.

Doubles is lots of fun, lots and lots. Pick a partner with twice your ability, challenge a pair equal to yourself, let your partner do the work and clobber 'em. If you have the foresight to ensure the selection committee is watching you are then quite free to bleat all season about being in a lower division than you should. Yes, lots of fun.

Then we have the charming mixed doubles. This is a splendid game for married couples, old, quite old married types preferred. Not old in the sense of age but in the sense where insults, sneers, horror and loathing are taken in one's stride as part of the racket. For the young, dewy-eyed married, I recommend a drive-in theatre.

I say it's the game for married couples with reason. After a partner, generally the male, flubs in an important match there is a masculine mumble of "Sorry, should have done much better," followed by the female, oozing compassion, "Oh nonsense. I made errors, too, not quite as important as yours, maybe, but still—"

Now with the marrieds there's no need of such niceties. The post-mortem, the inquest can rage half the night and all the following day—it generally does, and this flub can hang over one's head a la Damocles' sword all season. Now I should say: "Ha, ha, all joking apart . . ." But I ain't saying it.

We start the season on Sunday, September 16, 7:30 p.m. at the Hall, and every Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday thereafter until mid-April. Senior fees are \$10 and 10c per night, shuttles provided. We had a fine season last year with two inter-city champ teams and two leagues runner-up, and a promising showing by our players in various tournaments. As inexpensive entertainment it cannot be touched. Once again be reminded that membership is strictly limited. We just about hit that limit last

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PUBLICITY CONVENERS

Usually about this time of year, the women's editor of the Times writes a column designed to help publicity conveners. We thought we would do the same.

Don't be worried if you have never written before. We can imagine nothing more dull than reading one report after another, all written in the same precise manner. This may be all right for a city paper, but for the organ of what we like to consider a friendly community, a little intrusion of personality will be welcomed. Don't be worried about grammar or spelling. We try to correct any errors without altering the style of the writer.

Your report should be a resume of your last meeting and anything else that has been going on in your organization during the month. It should be a refresher for those who attended the meeting and a mint of information for those who did not. It is also of great value if it can attract the attention of outsiders. Anyone who reads the report is a potential member. If you can manage to build up or just hold his interest, maybe he won't eventually become a member, but at least you can probably count on his support at your functions and for your projects.

Spindrift offers an excellent opportunity for you to get your organization and its activities across to the community, to the people you must draw on for membership and support. It is an opportunity you cannot afford to ignore. So that you may better take advantage of it, we offer the following suggestions:

- 1. Reports should be typed and doublespaced wherever possible. The printer accepts typed manuscripts only and the editors being a naturally lazy lot would like to cut down their work as much as possible.
- 2. Make up your own heading if you wish a particular one, otherwise the editors make one up as they see fit. Perhaps it would be a good idea to have a different heading each time. An intriguing title may capture the interest of a reader who would otherwise pass it by.
- 3. Always begin with an item of general interest, the most interesting thing you have to say—again for the purpose of luring the unwary reader—and don't be afraid to go into a little detail. You might choose this item to head your re-

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port. From then on you can go on to things that concern members only.

Don't bore us with irksome generalities like minutes being read. This is the usual procedure at most meetings and could safely be left to the imagination. But when it comes to eats or something equally interesting, you may be pardoned if you wax lyrical. We may even turn up for samples.

- 4. Be sure your names are correct and initials or Christian names included. For the Times, a woman's name, unless divorced, should be Mrs. John Smith. For our paper, we are just as pleased with Mrs. Millie Smith, or just Millie Smith.
- 5. The deadline is the 15th of each month. We regret that we cannot print material received after that date if the paper is to appear on schedule. Do not wait for the deadline. Send in your material while it is fresh and it will probably write up easier, and avoid disappointment if the mail is delayed. The surest way is to deliver it yourself.

Plan your publicity well in advance. An event that is to take place during October must be publicized in the Spindrift which appears at the end of September, necessitating receipt of the material by the editors before the 15th of September.

Always keep in mind the delivery date, about the 29th of the month, when doing your write-up. By all means tell us a certain event is to come up on the 20th of that month, but don't tell us to be sure and attend as it will be all over when we read it. Nothing is worse than old or dead material. And we have no intention of starting up a column entitled "Deadwood."

6. Be sure to sign your name. Then we know the report is authorized by a responsible person.

Good luck to you in your reporting. You will find it very rewarding with a little time and effort. And don't be discouraged if it doesn't read as well in print as you would have liked. They never do!

NINE YEARS AGO

A wedding, that of Juanita Lindstrom to Allan Pottage, was the cause of a change of date of the Community Club directors' meeting in August. New members voted in during the summer were: Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Powell, Paul Case, and Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Price.

The building fund for the new hall was opened with a donation of \$10.00 from Doug Howard, and another of \$11.90 from C. Howorth. Plans for the new hall centred upon building in the school grounds with the help of the Board of Education.

George Ross reported that the ladies who had the hot dogs and pop concession on Klondike Nite had gathered together as many children as they could—about 40—the following night, and given them a party on the beach to use up the left-overs.

The 20th of August saw an adult Club beach party in front of McMorrans, with hot dogs and coffee, a sing-song, and film Over 80 attended and the cost of the affair was \$12.68. Special thanks were given to Lillian Ross for the use of her kitchen and to the ladies in charge of refreshments — Mrs. Howorth, Mrs. French, Miss Carter, Mrs. Hayden, Mrs. Lotzer, Mrs. Ranson; also Mr. Lindal and Mr. Eales who assisted.

A committee consisting of Miss Carter, Elmer Knight, Hilda Andrew and Ken Genn reported that a magazine for the club would be a good thing — to be printed, and the cost carried by advertising and the Club treasury. They recommended a staff of 10 people to work on the magazine, selected by the committee, and further recommended that anyone chosen for this work be exempted from any other committee. The seeds for Start drift were being sown.

Myrtle Dyer.

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CLUB AFFAIRS

It's really interesting at our monthly meetings the first Wednesday of every month at the Cordova Bay Community Club Hall at 8 p.m., as you know if you have attended one lately.

One of the things we are trying to do is help build better children who will omeday be better citizens for having participated in some way in the world of sport, probably one of the best known ways to day to improve oneself both physically and mentally and have lots of fun doing it.

Fred Dyer.

CHOO-CHOO RIDE FOR PRE-SCHOOLERS

The children of the Cordova Bay Playgroup enjoyed an exciting day on July 14 when they travelled on the E. & N. diesel from Victoria to Goldstream. Eyes gleamed each time the whistle was blown. At Goldstream the fathers met the train 'th cars and the group drove to Goldstream Park, then proceeded to Thetis Lake. There the children and the parents had lunch; afterward, there was play, a walk, a scramble up and down rocks, and wading at the beach.

Parents and children alike had such a good time, that even now they are looking forward to next year's picnic.

Muriel Andrews.

We Love Our Pets

Have you ever had a pup that you had trained to do almost anything for you, and then had some smart-alec speedster run over him and leave him there to die, racing away at sixty miles an hour.

In the Bay we have a speed limit of 30 miles per hour and I have to admit that we don't all follow it to the letter, but we do keep it within reason.

This could just as easily have been a child in the place of Willie, who died a few minutes later, and I think that the irresponsible malcreant who did it, and more of them, should give it some serious thought, if they are capable. The speed limit is for a purpose, you know.

George Kirkendale.

Brownie Day Camp

This year for the first time Brownies from the Cordova Bay Pack attended Brownie Day Camp, held July 10-12 and 24-26 at the home of our District Commissioner, Mrs. Bosher, on Cordova Bay Road. Seven Brownies, Betty Austen, Penny Milne, Heather Davidson, Ellen Cooke, Joanne Pearson, Doris Jones and Sheila Barlow found how much fun and knowledge can be gained from meeting and working and playing with Brownies from other packs.

On arriving the first day we found a tent pitched and girls from Prospect Lake Pack on the scene. Cookie, Mrs. Bosher: Tawny Owl, Miss Clark, and Packie, Mary Anne Bell, all of Elk Lake, had an advantage over our group, as they had held camp last year and were old hands, but it didn't take long for us to catch on. After our opening prayer there was a scramble to the tent and into bathing suits, then down to the lake for a swim.

Here we found that of the nine Brownies only four could swim, yet at the end of the three days we had nine little swimmers. Of course the cry went up, why don't you come swimming, Brown Owl? The answer is simple, I can't just practise what I teach. After the swim and the climb back up the hill, we were more than ready for our lunch, and rest period, then back to work.

Work on the first afternoon consisted of a three-mile nature hike to the far side of Elk Lake and back, then another swim, supper and games before clean-up and closing.

Our second day seemed to progress even more quickly, highlighted by a visit from our Division Commissioner, Mrs. F. King, and our third just flew. Then, before it seemed possible, the first camp had finished.

Second Camp was very much the same, different faces maybe, and other Packs, but one thing in common, our days were full-full of fun and friendship. I felt our outing was a success when, after the first camp, three Brownies were terribly disappointed that they could not be included in the next three days, and at the finish of second camp one little Brownie was heard to remark, "I wish we could do this all summer."

Camping was fun, girls. Let's do it again next year.

Doris Cooke (Acting Brown Owl)

("Shocking Scandal"—from Page 1)

year, so don't be disappointed-register early. Don't let my sour self put you off. We have a grand time with several club dances during the season when we all flub

Finishing on a grim note, the Cockney mother was saying: "All our nippers 'ave names wiv aitches, 'enery' 'erbert, 'orace, 'arriet and 'enrietta. For a change we're going to call this one H'olive."

Not particularly funny, but clean, friends, clean.

Austin Elliott.

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SYMPATHY—is extended to Mrs. S. W. Brock, Guernsey Road, on the sudden death of her brother Lieut-Commander L. G. Clayards on July 24. Also to Bob Adrian, Cordova Bay Road, on the passing of his father, Alfred Adrian, August 7

HERE AND THERE — Staying with Mr. and Mrs. Noel Thomas, Cordova Bay Road, is Anna Burian, Strait swim contender, and her coach, Margit Solheim. Other contenders who have been practising in Cordova Bay are Anita Long, Billie Benedict and Allan Small.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Holt and family, Cordova Bay Road, spent a holiday at Long Beach, and also took a trailer trip to Oregon.

The John and Dave Kirkendale families spent part of their holidays cruising the local waters and camping at Sidney Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Price, Gordon Road, had a recent motor trip to Jasper.

Joseph Humble, Cordova Bay Road, is visiting his daughters in Saskatchewan.

Ken Genn and John, Parker Avenue, enjoyed a fishing holiday at Campbell River.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Stevenson, Cordova Bay Road, left to visit their family in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Ewen have had a visit from Mr. and Mrs. T. Shorthouse and their sons, Robert and David, of Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Jamieson, Cordova Bay Road, had as their guest Mrs. Jamieson's brother, Edgar G. Pulford, and his wife. Brother and sister were reunited after not seeing each other for 40 years.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Randall, Parker Avenue, have their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. Randall, for a week or so from Montreal.

The Schmelz family of Parker Avenue are widely separated for holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Schmelz have just returned from a trip to Kelowna for the boat races, and have taken their daughters, Diane, Kathy and Carrie, for a camping trip up-Island. Robert is in California with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Walyer, and Wendy, from Vancouver, for a month's tour high-lighted by visits to Disneyland and Tia Juana, Mexico. Murray is off for a few days' camping on D'Arcy Island with George Kirkendale.

The Schmelz family previously had a visit from Mr. and Mrs. G. Moser, Gail and Pat, from Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Knight, Cordova

Bay Road, had their daughter and sonin-law, Mr. and Mrs. Cochran, and Randall, visiting from California, also Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Cochran, Mrs. Wiph, and Michael and Jon Cochran.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McCall and Mary, Cordova Bay Road, spent a holiday at Shawnigan Lake Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Fletcher, Parker Avenue, and Denise Poyntz, Cordova Bay Road, spent a week visiting relatives in Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stansby, Parker Avenue, have had their aunts, Mrs. J. W. Dunham and Mrs. J. W. Crane, from Burnaby, with them for a few weeks.

Flying over for a week-end visit with the Stansby's were Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Howe, of Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Howorth, Gordon Rd., took a two-week motor trip to San Francisco.

Mrs. J. J. Hutton, Parker Avenue, is having her sister from Vernon, Mrs. E. H. Reinhard, and Jacquelynne, for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Austen, Walema Avenue, Betty and Tommy, have had a two-week motor trip heading for Kelowna.

Attending a two-week Air Cadet Training Camp at Abbottsford were Les Underwood, Ted Price, Athos Grant, Melvin Philpott and George Waistell.

CONVALESCING — Best wishes to Mrs. A. H. Woledge for a speedy recovery. Elmer Knight has recovered from a broken ankle.

CONGRATULATIONS—Best baby under six months in the All-Sooke Baby Contest has as parents Mr. and Mrs. Francis West

Philip Lotzer celebrated his seventh birthday at a party with guests Lynne Jones, Peter and Elizabeth Lax, Raymond and Robert Bethell, Joey and "Butch" Johnson, Stefan Comerford, Daryl Jones and sister Cathie.

Stefan Comerford celebrated his ninth birthday with a beach party and his friends Daryl Jones, Sylvia McKeever, Philip Lotzer, Robert Bethell, Neil Netterfield, Peter Lax, Lyndell Kepner, Philip and Gordon Friesen, Dennis and Tommy Somner, and Christine Lowden.

WELCOME AND FAREWELL — Mr. and Mrs. James Allan from California have bought the home on Alderley Road presently occupied by Mrs. E. Kiley and her two small daughters. Mr. and Mrs. Allan are for the present guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wyper, Cordova Bay Road.

The Kileys' are going on to Ontario to join Mr. Kiley.

It is with regret that we say good-bye to Ben and Lillian Dyer and Mike, Cordova Bay Road. They will be missed the length and breadth of the Bay. They will be leaving the first of October for Duncan where Ben has accepted the managership of a new branch of Dickinson and Dunn. We wish the Dyers happiness and success.

Entertaining in honor of Mrs. Dyer vere Mrs. I. Salmon and Mrs. J. Wyper (Continued on Page 5)

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ROSES AND PINE WIN

An arrangement by Mrs. Ben Dyer of crimson roses and pine was voted the most popular entry at the third annual Cordova Bay Flower Show at St. David's-by-the-Sea the middle of July.

Convener Mrs. J. Wyper was aided by Mrs. J. Mitchell, Mrs. Fred Smith, Mrs. N. Westwood, Mrs. N. Renfrew and Mrs. Dyer. Judges were Mrs. E. R. Etheridge, D. G. F. Barton and W. J. Pynn.

The affair was opened by Alan Littler, district horticulturist, and Miss Milly Turner, Cadboro Bay Show Convener, awarded the prizes.

Other local prize winners were: Miss M. P. Hendrie, Mrs. I. Green, Mrs. Mary Oakes, Mrs. Noel Thomas, for floral arrangements. Mrs. A. M. Kieran carried off prizes in all vegetable divisions. A former Bay resident, Mrs. R. Penney, won several floral prizes.

Winners in children's classes were Doris Jones and Frances Ward.

Tea was served in the afternoon and office in the evening. Tea convener was Mrs. Dyer, assisted by Mesdames F. Tanner, B. Peterson, C. Jackson, P. Sharp, N. Westwood, L. F. Salmon, T. Brown, R. Sinkinson, C. MacKay.

Home cooking was by Mrs. A. Taylor, Mrs. H. Stevenson; needlework, Mrs. J. J. Hutton and Miss F. Lewis; tea tickets, Mrs. A. Miller and Mrs. W. Ronald.

The first regular meeting of the Guild after summer recess will be Tuesday, September 11, at 2:30, at the home of Mrs. Lillian Dyer. Plans for the Harvest Supper to be held early in October will be discussed.

E. M. Lewis.

JOIN THE

RACKET CLUB

St. David's Evening Guild

The last meeting of the Evening Guild was held at the home of Mrs. J. Lort. The discussion for the evening was the forthcoming dance which is to be held in the Community Hall on Saturday, September 29th. It was made known that the Home-Towners would provide the music and that there would be old-time dancing as well as modern. Refreshments are to be sold during the evening, and tickets are available from any member of the Evening Guild.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. S. Oakes, 723 Cordova Bay Rd. on Tuesday, September 11th, at 8 p.m.

Beryl Tanner, President.

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Girl Guide News

Last month someone wrote an article for Spindrift about a girl going to Guide Camp. This article was very much appreciated by many other Guiders in Saanich Division and we all say "thank you" to whoever wrote it.

This month maybe I can tell you a little about where your daughter could go to camp

Many camps have been held recently on the Elk Lake property of Mr. Rainsford. Three of our guides, Peggy McShane, Pamela Milne and Karen Cronk were guests of the Marigold Company at their camp on this property.

Mr. Rainsford, knowing of our hope to own a permanent campsite of our own, recently offered the Saanich Division Girl Guides the opportunity to purchase a 30acre tract of land adjoining his own land. A representative group inspected the property and thoroughly approved of it as a campsite. The representatives of nine companies and packs and their local associations voted to purchase this property. The cost for the 30 acres is \$7,000, with \$3,000 down and the rest spread over a long period of time. According to Mr. E. Cronk, treasurer, raising of the money is progressing favorably with donations from the interested public very much appreciated.

Thirty acres may seem a lot, but there are nearly 500 members of the Saanich Division Girl Guides and we all want to camp. If we use the same spot continuously it will soon lose its natural charm.

And we won't be just camping for a few weeks during the summer—with our own campsite we can camp all year round. With a campsite of our own we can encourage across-the-border camping.

Yes, in the years to come, the Brownies and Guides of Saanich will more than appreciate the effort that has gone into the Elk Lake Campsite.

E. John.

WHO'S FOR

SQUARE DANCING?

Social-from Page 4)

at the home of Mrs. Salmon, Del Monte Avenue. Favorite recipes of the guests were presented to Mrs. Dyer in an attractive cabinet. Guests were: Mesdames N. Westwood, J. J. Hutton, A. Taylor, T. Brown, S. W. Tucker, J. Gliddon, J. Mitchell, E. M. Lewis, R. Renfrew, H. Stevenson, J. Ronald, A. Miller, P. Sharp, J. B. Minchin, D. Jackson, J. Allan and C. Hill.

ENGAGEMENTS—Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Salmon, Del Monte Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Shirley, to Michael Rose, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Rose, Lansdowne Road.

A miscellaneous shower in her honor was held at the home of Mrs. S. W. Tucker, Doumac Avenue. Gifts were presented in a pink and white umbrella. Guests entered their names and best wishes in a white and silver guest book of the guests' favorite recipes.

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Here shall this mower, kindly loaned By Bob and Sylvia next door, So gaily scrunching to and fro, Tho' brow be damp, and muscle sore.

Until the happy day shall dawn When all who come will stand and stare On velvet smoothness, weedless grace— On beauty quite beyond compare.

"Come, come," the tourist then will cry,
"Why visit Butchart's Gardens, pard?
Cordova Bay, it is for us,
And Oldses matchless boulevard."

The reality:

(Oh dear—the darn things needs mowing AGAIN!)

Doris Olds.

(In reply to a reference in a recent Spindrift to "Doris Olds struggling with the lawnmower on the boulevard.")

LISTEN TO THE RATTLE THE RUMBLE AND THE ROAR!

Did you hear the big boys sounding off shortly after 6 a.m. August 15th? Any of you that have heard above 12-inchbore guns being fired at close range will possibly agree that Mother Nature put on quite a show to open Navy Day. I'll bet the Navy guffers were just a little bit jealous of all this display of great balls of fire and noise to scare a person to the pit of his stomach. I refer to that thunder and lightning storm.

Compared to nature, we are still playing around.

Water is still one of the mightiest forces in the world and probably will remain so for some time yet. The more one lives on it or close to it, the more one learns to respect it and let it control

itself to the greatest extent.

Maybe some of these Juan de Fuca Strait swimmers could tell us a little about respect for water in torment and water temperature almost as cold as an iceberg. Keep trying, and someone else will work their way across to the Olympic Peninsula by swimming up-stream instead of down-stream.

It is pretty easy to be a critic, we all know, but what we usually lack is the ability to do it better than those we are criticising. Who is the next silly so-and-so to have a try? Maybe he or she will be triumphant. It has been called the "Mount Everest of Swims" and as one swim coach puts it: "It's like climbing Mount Everest—so what?"

(Editor's Note: Anyone want to challenge this article? It's easier than challenging the strait. Just send in your argument to Spindrift and we will be glad to print it.)

CASH AND CARRY

The old man chuckled, "I can remember when butter was eightpence a pound," he said, flaunting his seniority. "That's right," his wife confirmed. "The countrywomen used to bring it in on market days wrapped in cabbage leaves in shilling rolls—a pound and a half each."

"Yes, but it was eightpence a pound in the shops, too. I remember one time when it wasn't even that much," said the old man. "I was standing in Brown's the grocers, one day, when old Tommy Farr came in — a retired sea-faring man he was, did for himself—and he says, 'I'll have a pound of butter, Mr. Brown, and will you send it?' 'Certainly,' says Mr. Brown (the customer was always right in those days). 'No wait!' says Tommy Farr coming back from the door. 'You have to pay your errand boy I take it?' 'I have,' says Mr. Brown sighing, 'and a bonny penny too.'

"'Why, see here then,' says Tommy very affably, 'I'll take the butter with me instead. That'll save you a bit.' 'That's very good of you, Mr. Farr,' says Mr. Brown and has that butter wrapped up in no time and handed over the counter.

"'That'll be eightpence,' says he, since Tommy evidently didn't want anything else. But Tommy hadn't finished. 'Aye,' says he, 'but if I'm saving you what you'd have paid the boy to come up to my place, you'll surely give me an ounce of baccy for my trouble?' 'Oh, certainly, Mr. Farr,' says Mr. Brown, but with a kind of wintry look on his face, as if he'd been nipped by an early frost like, and he reached for the jar with the cheapest tobacco in it. You could get a cheap tobacco in those days," explained the old man, "for a penny an ounce."

"'I don't want any of your cheap stuff,' says Tommy. 'You can give me an ounce of the four-penny.'"

"I thought Mr. Brown would blow up and burst like one of his own paper bags. He spluttered a bit, and said something about where was his profit, but, Tommy Farr just kept on smiling affably but firmly and reminding him how much he was saving him by taking his butter with him, and in the end he had to weigh him out an ounce of fourpenny tobacco and watch him walk off with a pound of buter for fourpence.

"But," repeated the old man, "as I said, the customer was always right in those days."

Sheena.

COMING EVENTS

Mrs. S. Oakes, 723 Cordova Bay Rd. Sept. 11 St. David's Women's Guild Meeting—

Mrs. B. Dyer, 2:30Sept. 11 Square Dancing Class, Hall, 8 p.m.Sept. 15 Modern & Old-Time dance, HallSept. 29

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