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Land Claims, Towards a Reality

By **GEORGE WATTS,**
Chairman-Nuu-Chah-
Nulth Tribal Council

On January 26 and 27 the Nuuchah Nulth Tribal Council held a very important meeting to discuss such things as our ocean resources, capital dollars, forestry study, and economic development. The meeting was well attended with 12 of the 13 bands having delegates and 30 observers.

The first item on the agenda was the forestry study with Pat Deakin and Robert Gunn giving an update of their activities. They presented a draft paper on Woodlots to be submitted to the provincial government. The paper was amended to reflect our Aboriginal Rights position in regard to the Forest resource.

Related to the Forestry Study is the Forestry course that the NTC is attempting to set up. The group stated that they received a poor response from Canada Manpower but received a positive response from everybody else. If the commitments are not in place by the end of February then the course could not go on this spring.

Some discussion occurred about our next step after the study is completed. Many of our delegates felt that this area was so important that we should have a full-time forester on staff. A motion was passed that we seek funding for such a position.

Pat Deakin stated to the Council that the time was right for the Council to consider a forestry committee. A committee composed of Dartwin Jefferies, Richard Watts, Mike Maquinna, Bert Mack, Norman Dennis, Reg Sutherland, and Jack Touchie was approved and their expenses.

Finally the personnel committee was given the authority for deciding who would be allowed to take the forestry course once it was set up.

The meeting then moved on to Health coverage and Dr. Hapgood was present to answer questions. She stated that the Minister had adopted a new policy which should be flexible enough to cover most people's concerns. She further stated that many people were removed from medical coverage because the new applications that were mailed

out were returned since people had moved. The bands agreed to obtain proper addresses so that people could be reinstated.

In regard to travel warrants and the problems people are having with them, Dr. Hapgood stated that she would be prepared to sign contracts with bands for this service. Finally she dealt with the relationship between band councils and community health workers. She stated clearly that these workers are under the direction of band councils and their administrations.

The meeting then moved on to the distribution of Capital Project Funds. It was moved by Si Lucas and seconded by Art Peters that the distribution be on a per capita basis. Further to this \$48,580 was set aside for emergency purposes. The final distribution was: Ahousaht \$300,000; Clayoquot \$115,000; Hesquiaht \$110,000; Nifinaht \$77,300; Ohiaht \$85,000; Opetchesaht \$30,000; Sheshaht \$125,000; Toquaht \$25,000; Uchucklesaht \$30,000; and Ucluelet \$102,500.

The issue of band support for the Tribal Council was raised. Si Lucas asked how

many bands have paid their B.C. Special for this year as committed: The problem was raised about DIA not accepting BCR's. Our research shows the following: The following Bands have sent in their B.C. Special—Hesquiaht \$701; Ohiaht \$535; Opetchesaht \$200; Sheshaht \$747; Toquaht \$146. The other eight bands have not sent in their B.C. Special. The B.C. Special is a per capita fund based on approximately \$1.90 per Band member.

Ha Shilth Sa was the next topic for discussion. The price of producing the paper has doubled over the last year so we will be looking for a new place to print it. All of our members are encouraged to send a donation to the paper. Jan Van de Voort, District Manager was to look into helping us obtain funding for the paper.

Travel rates equal to those of the government were adopted.

The Council then passed a motion that all DIA training funds be transferred to the Tribal Council. In conjunction with this a motion was passed to set up a training committee made up of Edgar Charlie, Marg Touchie, Mary John-

son, Marie Charles, Debbie Foxcroft, Bob Dennis, Pat Thomas and George Watts, whose job will be: a) Identify skills needed by band members and band employees. b) Identify training needs. c) Determine priorities for recommendation. d) Carry out training programs. e) Evaluate training programs.

Edgar Charlie asked that some Training sessions be set up in his area. This was agreed to.

The Financial statements were presented and adopted by the council.

The council was presented with a proposal to hire a band planner on a consulting basis. A motion was passed adopting this proposal.

A long discussion was held about the economic development officer position. The bands felt they could use this position and passed a motion adopting a proposal.

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DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

The people of the West Coast would like to offer their deepest sympathies to the families of those who were lost in the recent fire in Kyuquot.



The Ucluelet Dancers performed at Songfest in Port Alberni in December to raise money for Tofino Hospital's Childrens Ward. The Ucluelets have carried the "Year of the Child" over to 1980 as they put on a performance on February 10th in Ucluelet, raising more money for the hospital.

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KLECO! KLECO!



Mr. & Mrs. Larry Thompson, married on Dec. 28th, 1979.

Kleco, Kleco
To one and all
Who came from near and far to make a most
Special day, one of the happiest occasions of our lives
By being with us.

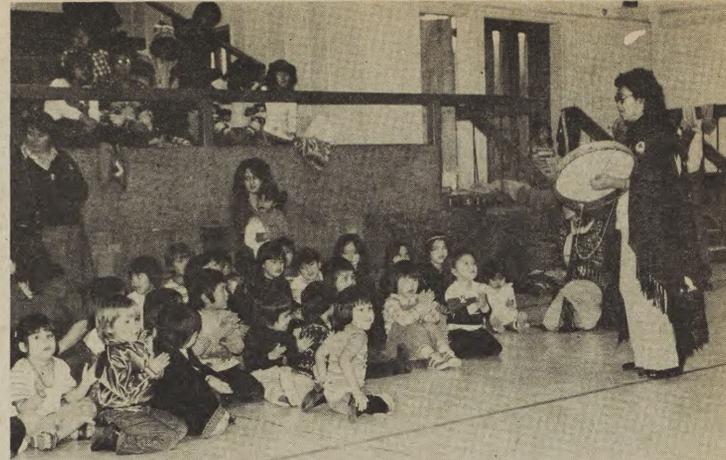
Many, many thanks for the wonderfully exciting
entertainment provided by the Ahousat dancers
under the skillful direction of Carrie Little
and Dave Haipee performers from Ucluelet.
You were all magnificent!

Special thanks to
Mom: You and the many others who so generously
gave your time and
energy to prepare the feast of feasts.
A truly delicious memory.

All the gifts received are greatly appreciated and will
Always be a reminder of your most kind generosity.

From the depths of our hearts
We thank you.
May you all have a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

Sincerely,
Mr. and Mrs. Larry Thompson
Forks, Washington, U.S.A.



The Ha-ho-payuk School celebrated "Indian Day" last Thursday with lunch and dances by the students. Parents and other spectators enjoyed the songs and dances which have been taught to the children by Indian studies teachers Cathy Robinson, Julia Lucas and Caroline Little.



Drum Exhibition

An Exhibition of
drums painted by
Hupquatchew. Roll-
in Art Centre, 3061-
8th Ave., Port
Alberni. March

THANK YOU ALL

On behalf of myself
Sharon Charles, and my
children, I would like to
express my sincere
appreciation to all our
friends, relatives and
Father W. Mudge for
their kindness during
our difficult time of my
husbands passing.

Special thanks to the
many cooks and servers
at the supper af-
terwards.

Thank you to Father
Mudge for doing a very
thoughtful service.

Thank you to Gabe
Bartlemen, Dick
George and Ernie and
Laura Olsen.

Thanks to the Grave-

Diggers, Pall Bearers
and the Sheshaht Tribe
for everything.

Lastly, I would like to
thank one and all for
their kind offerings of
floral contributions,
money and time.

Also a special thanks
to the many people who
took the time to travel
from their hometowns
to Port Alberni for my
husband Joe's Service.

Thank You One and
All

From the bottom of
our hearts,

Sharon Charles &
Children.

Dedicated in Memory of Joe Charles
to all our friends and relatives

THE GIFT OF FRIENDSHIP

Friendship is a priceless gift
That cannot be bought or sold,
But its value is far greater
Than a mountain made of gold.
For gold is cold and lifeless,
It can neither see nor hear,
And in the time of trouble
It is powerless to cheer.
It has no ears to listen,
No heart to understand,
It cannot bring you comfort
Or reach out a helping hand.
So when you ask God for a Gift,
Be thankful if He sends
Not diamonds, pearls or riches
But the love of real true friends



Our Citizen of the Year

Mabel Taylor



Mabel Taylor, Citizen of the Year, with a cedar bark purse made by one of her students, Julia Lucas. The design is a sea otter, laying on its back.

Citizen of the Year

Mabel Taylor from the Tseshaht Band was honored as our "Citizen of the Year" for 1979 at the Port Alberni Friendship Centre's annual Christmas Party.

Ron Hamilton presented Mabel with a cedar bark purse which was made by Julia Lucas, a former student of Mabel's.

Ron said that he originally tried to get Mabel nominated for Port Alberni's Citizen of the Year award when he read about it in the AV Times but when he went down there the nominations had closed.

Ron was not alone on the idea of honoring Mabel in this way as the Ha-Shilth-Sa had been approached by two ladies about this same idea, a Good Citizen Award in each paper, and Mabel was one of their first suggestions for the award.

Anyone who knows Mabel would agree that she is an ideal choice for Citizen of the Year.

She gives up much of her time to others in the community. For several years now she has taught other ladies the art of basketweaving. Every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon Mabel can be found in the basement of the Friendship Centre with her students.

Her talent as a basketmaker has put a great demand on her work and she often has a hard time keeping up with all the orders, yet she doesn't like to say no to anyone.

In a recent visit to her home she jokingly said, "maybe I should make some ugly baskets so I can have a rest."

Her students at the basketweaving classes and others who come in contact with her enjoy her sense of humor and her storytelling ability.

During the summer months smoke can usually be seen coming out of the smokehouse in front of Mabel's house at Polly's Point. More often than not the fish inside are being prepared for someone else who doesn't know how to smoke fish.

Mabel is also very active in Native community events such as potlatches, where she sings and dances and helps out however she can.

When the Alberni people are doing one of their traditional ceremonies it is usually Mabel they ask to "Tse-ka."

Ron said that he personally is grateful to Mabel for teaching him songs. She is looked upon as an important advisor and teacher of the Indian ways amongst the people in the Alberni Valley.

Because of the way that she conducts herself, Mabel Taylor is an example for others to follow. For all of these reasons and more we would like to say "Thank You Mabel" — Our Citizen of the Year.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to the March 16th; Gloria Gus on following Sheshaht Band members. on March 27th; Tommy Gus Jr. on March 1st; Bill Gus on

Margaret Clutesi on March 18th; Larry Gus on February 25th; Albert Clutesi on March 24th; Elizabeth Gus on on February 15th; Sandra March 3rd; Debbie Gus on Dick on Feb. 28th; Matthew March 31st; Erma Robinson Fred on Feb. 9th; Marion on March 4th; Jackie Ross on Gallic on Feb. 14th; Char- March 24th; Phyllis Sam on maine Gus on Feb. 2nd; March 9th; Leslie Sam on Robert Gus on Feb. 8th; March 14th; Wendy Watts on Darrell Ross on Feb. 15th; March 31st; Gerald Watts Jr. Richard James Sam Sr. on March 8th; Lena Watts on Feb. 10th; Rose Thomas on March 12th; Rita Watts on Feb. 17th; Keith Thomas on March 10th and Dale Feb. 2nd; Anita Watts on Feb. Williams on March 30th.

23rd; Josie Watts on Feb. A special Happy Birthday to Charmaine Gus from Sis, 18th; Diane Gallic on Feb. Gail Gus on Feb. 2nd. And 9th; Sherry "Dunka" Lake Happy Birthday to Richard Livingstone of Lake James Sam Sr., Diane Gallic, Cowichan on Feb. 17th.

Joy Dick on March 27th; Michelle Dick, Phyllis Gus, Howard Dick Jr. on March Cody Gus, Tommy Gus Jr., 28th; Michelle Dick on March Bill Gus, Liz Gus, Debbie 23rd; Jed Dick on March Gus, Leslie Sam, Wendy 14th; Gerald Fred Jr. on Love from Corky and Gail. March 9th; Sharon Fred on Happy Birthday to Darrell March 18th; Richard Gallic Ross and Sherry "Dunka" on March 12th; Jamie Jensen Livingstone. on March 29th; Jason Gallic From Dave and Annie, March 8th; Phyllis Gus on Dave Jr. and Nathan. March 2nd; Richard Gus on

Birthday Wishes

Happy Birthday to one and all in March: Bernice Touchie, Evan Touchie, Leah Touchie, Norman Taylor, Joseph Thompson Jr., William Touchie, Russell Touchie, Corbett William, Ronald Williams, Perry Williams, Milton Jackson, Faith Louie, Ralph Louie, Lorraine George, Dave Haipee Jr., Willie Haipee, Timmy Jack, Russell Roberts, Debbie Mundy, Lorraine Mundy, Richard Mundy, Connie Mundy, Pearl Mundy, Elaine Baird and Fredrick Cootes, all of Ucluelet.

From: Sam, Fredrick and Beverly Johnson - C.H.R.

Happy Birthday to Nitihahts: James Chester Jr., Effie Edgar, Marcella Edgar, Carl Edgar, Tommy Johnson, Fred Johnson Sr., Louis Joseph, Lisa Joe, Ray Shaw, Richard Tate and Robert Thompson.

From: Sam, Fredrick and Beverly Johnson - C.H.R.

URGENT!

Diane Dennis please phone 787-1430 in Fort St. John. Urgent. Shorty Marren.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Happy Birthday to Judy Williams for February 21 and Happy 17th Birthday to Bonnie Williams of Ucluelet on February 18 and Happy Birthday to Terry Touchie of Ucluelet for February 17.

Also a very Happy Birthday to Vernon Ross for April 30 and Howard Williams for the 22nd of April and Laverne Williams for April 28 (also from Ucluelet).

Also a Happy Birthday to Allan Dick of Port Alberni for April 28, 1980.

From Deanna, William & Family.

I would like to wish my wife, Caroline, a very Happy Birthday, January 11th and my son David III, a very Happy 2nd Birthday January 13th; and also announce the birth of our daughter, Nellie Mary on January 12, 1980. Dave Jacobson.

Our Wedding

Our wedding was like a dream come true. It put a deep feeling inside me. Which flowed through and through. Our wedding brought feelings from deep inside. These feelings were joy, happiness and pride. I would like to thank all those who I saw there. You people brought joy from everywhere. I was blessed with a feeling from deep in my heart. And I am now beginning a brand new start. I've got someone to care, someone to love. And someone to help from way up above. Soon we will have more mouths to feed. And another generation we will need. For love will flow from now until the end of our days. And when we are gone. Who knows. It may become different ways. And then their lives will go on and on.

Thank you one and all for coming and sharing this joyous day with us. It will be forever cherished by us both.

Mrs. Gina Cecelia Fred (nee Wadhams).

News from Hot Springs

CHRISTMAS PARTIES 1979

December 25, 1979 marked the first Christmas party for Hot Springs Cove since 1962. The party was hosted at the home of Ed Lucas and was rather crowded as the whole reserve, 36 people, was invited to his two bedroom home. The party got underway with the traditional Christmas supper of turkey, with three of the five turkeys remaining untouched. After supper card games were the center of attraction for the adults and the kids created their own entertainment by holding a disco and organizing their own informal games.

Meanwhile the urban Hesquiat, in Port Alberni, organized for a second year, a Christmas party for all band members in town. This was held on December 26 at the Port Alberni Friendship Centre. A potluck dinner was enjoyed by all the Indian dancing and games, uniting people of all ages, rounded out the entertainment for the evening. Fun and laughter was free and a good time was had by all.

HOUSING

This year we are constructing two new homes. The housing materials arrived at our reserve in early December and volunteer labor was used to bring them from the barge up to the house sites. The job was made somewhat easier as, also riding on the barge was the Band's newly purchased backhoe and a truck belonging to Patricia Charleson and Joseph Tom Jr. We would like to thank these volunteers for giving up their weekend, and a basketball tournament, to help us. The construction of the homes began on February 5, and at present the flooring for the first home is up.

BIRTHS

Our Band membership increased by one on February 2, 1980 as 9 lb. 5 oz. Layla Charleson was born to Karen and Stephen Charleson in Tofino Hospital. Layla is not only the first baby for Hot Springs Cove this year, but she is also the New Years baby for Tofino as she is the first baby born there since 1979.

We would like to extend birthday greetings to the following Band Members for the months of January and February: Happy Birthday to:

JANUARY

3 — Lorene Charleson (2); 4 — Norma Amos; 5 — Matilda Charleson (8); 6 — Stephen Charleson; 7 — Georgette Atleo (4); 8 — Gloria Sabbas and Benjamin Amos (1); 9 — Paul Lucas Jr.; 11 — Hippolite Ignace; 12 — Richard Eugene Amos (11); 14 — Felicia Charleson (3), Sharlene Mickey and Paul Frank (3); 19 — Thomas Andrew (9); 20 — Harold Amos (7); 21 — Felix Charleson; 22 — Joni Amos (13) and Timothy Paul; 23 — Ruby Charleson; 28 — Edward Charleson (10); 30 — Henry Williams (9); 31 — Melissa Watts (2).

FEBRUARY

1 — Alan McCarthy (4); 3 — Terrance Amos and Caroline Mickey (13); 4 — Barnard Samuel Mickey; 6 — Verna Charleson and Mamie Lucas (7); 8 — Francis Amos and Marleah Charleson; 9 — Genevieve Amos (9); 10 — Edward Jones (4); 11 — Clara Andrews, Kaesok Ignace (1) and Conrad Lucas; 12 — Theresa Mickey; 14 — Angeline Robinson (10), Monica Charleson and Isobel Mickey; 16 — Melanie Lucas (5) and Gary Loiselle (2); 17

Tribal council meeting

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Bert Mack and Bobby Gunn presented a request to the Tribal Council for assistance to help them set up Toquaht building supplies store. They asked for a \$20,000 grant and a \$20,000 loan to be paid over four or five years. A motion was passed granting him his request. He also asked for the help of Dave Danyluk to help set up their books.

Nelson Keitlah gave a report on the Fishing Study. Nelson mentioned that we will have to act very quickly on this study if we do not want to see our fleet depleted further. The final report should be ready by the end of March.

Barbara Lane was a guest of the council to talk about our claim to the offshore resources of the west coast. She stated that there was an

abundance of material available which would support our claim. She also said that there was a need for good detailed research to be done in the communities. She said she was prepared to discuss her involvement in our research as long as we understood that she is presently doing work on the Boldt case. Our Tribal Council will be keeping in touch with her.

A motion was passed that we seek funding for research and start developing our claim.

The report from the Food Fish Committee was tabled until the next meeting so that it can be discussed in conjunction with the fishing study.

Danny Watts agreed to investigate Bert Mack's concern about a park being

created in Toquaht Bay.

Edgar Charlie asked for Tribal assistance to get better telephone service to Ahousat. A motion was passed to hire a social worker for this area.

Bob Warren made a presentation on behalf of the Victoria Indian Education Commission. A motion was passed supporting their paper. (To be covered in a future article.)

Finally a motion was passed that we put a full page ad in the paper supporting the NDP. Ron Hamilton questioned the vote and the conduct of the chairman stating that he saw only four hands in support of the motion out of 18 people. It was pointed out that there were only 12 voting delegates. A second vote was taken to guarantee that he wouldn't be confused about the matter.

SEWER PROJECT

The sewer project got started on January 28, 1980 and is progressing satisfactory at the moment. The backhoe has been busy and so have our men, hauling gravel up to the house sites.

WATERLINE

At present, the water is running to the beach and up the hill to the reserve. We have men working on the line to try to get the water flowing to the houses. Unfortunately, the water line froze on January 23 but it was running again on the 26th. Hopefully then, fishermen will be welcome to partake of some of the finest water on Vancouver Island.

NOTICE TO INDIAN FISHERMEN

Our band is in the process of developing our reserve at Hot Springs Cove. We are encouraging our Indian fishermen not to anchor out half-ways into the harbor up to the head of the harbor, as our water and sewer lines are going to be under water. At present, only the water line is laid but the sewer line will be finished in the near future. Red bouys will mark the submerged lines.



"Bull Hunter" — Christmas Party Host.

Volunteers fix Water Line at Hot Springs

Members of the Hesquiat Band have to be congratulated for the community spirit they have shown by volunteering their labor to repair their water line at Hot Springs Cove.

The line froze up in January causing a break in the main line.

Eight members of the band took on the chore of taking the line apart and heating sections to thaw it out. This was done over very rugged terrain and in cold weather, and was by no means an easy job. Also NO PAY for doing this.

The eight men who contributed their labor were Richard Lucas, Simon Lucas, Joey Tom Jr., Pat Charleson Jr., Ben Lucas, Paul Lucas Jr., Donald Sabbas, Rick Tom and Ralph Lucas. Several of these guys went up to Hot Springs especially to work on this job.

Tribal Council Engineer Danny Watts was in Hot Springs Cove at this time and he said he would like to mention the hospitality shown

to the workers and himself by Richard and Irene Lucas. Danny said there's not many places you can go and get three choices of fish and turkey for dinner.

Danny says that although in this case it was no fault of the band that the line froze up, he would like to stress to bands the importance of getting their capital projects started at the earliest possible date, so that there won't be any inconveniences later during times of poor weather.

ELECTIONS

Clayoquot Band Elections

The Clayoquot Band held a by-election on February 5 to choose two councillors. Florence Frank and Mary Hayes were voted in as the new councillors.

Pacheenaht Band Elections

The Pacheenaht Band held elections on their Gordon River Reserve on December 12, 1979. The following band members will comprise the Band Council for the next two years: Chief Councillor, Charles (Chuck) Jones Jr.; Councillors: Mrs. Donna Jones and David Jones.

Ahousat Band Elections

Ahousat had elections for band council on February 26th. Ten councillors were elected. They are (in alphabetical order): Agnus Campbell, Bella Campbell, David Frank Jr., Edwin Frank, Lynn Edwin Frank, Roy Haiyupus, John Jacobson, Harvey Robinson, Reg Sutherland and Cecelia Titian. A Chief Councillor will be chosen from these 10 people.

Band Involvement needed in Forestry

Forestry related problems on Vancouver Island's West Coast are going to increase dramatically during the next 10 years, predicts Paul George, biologist. "There just aren't enough forests to satisfy all the demands made of them."

It is becoming evident that Native Indians' interests in the over-committed forestry 'pie' are jeopardized. Since last October Mr. George has researched, on a part-time basis, forestry related matters for the Tribal Council. Under the direction of Tribal Council leadership, he is investigating avenues to get the provincial government to recognize and respect the Native people's interest in vital forest-based resources and Native demands for their wise management.

The Tribal Council is especially concerned with the renewal of Tree Farm Licences (TFL's). These convey almost perpetual cutting rights to major companies on Nuu-cha-nulth traditional lands. On Dec. 31, 1979, the provincial government replaced MacMillan Bloedel's TFL's 20 and 21 covering huge tracts of land and on October 20, 1979, replaced TFL 27 held by B.C.F.P. in the Nitinat area.

The terms and conditions of these 25-year license agreements were not subject to review by and had no input from affected Native bands. The Tribal Council is pursuing ways to rectify this situation.

In a short time, new five-year management and working plans will be proposed by the companies for these licensed areas. They will, among other things, set the rate the forests will be cut and show the proposed cut blocks. Individuals, band councils and the Tribal Council will have a chance to view them and make submissions.

Forestry Committee Meeting

The Nuu-cha-nulth Tribal Council meeting of January 27th and 28th passed a resolution calling for the establishment of a Tribal Council level Forestry Committee.

The role of the committee will be defined out of consideration for the work that has been carried on over the last seven months by West Coast Information and Research Group. This research effort of the Tribal Council will only bear fruit if the leaders of various bands which make up the Nuu-cha-nulth Tribal Council find ways of sustaining organizational direction in this important sector of the West Coast economy. The forestry committee would be the key vehicle for recommending policy and program directions to the Tribal Council.

The issues which will concern this committee are of substance: Jobs for a rapidly growing population, training needs for our people, business development, management of reserve forest lands, expanding the rights of Native

The forests should be managed in such a way that native food fisheries are not adversely affected. Access should be provided for timber for traditional use. Protection of all archeological sites and wildlife habitat should be assured. Steep slopes that will erode and silt salmon streams must be left to preserve the salmon stocks. The forest companies under the supervision of the government must put back on a sustained yield all forest dependent resources.

In recognition of the importance of the forestry issues the Tribal Council set-up a forestry committee at their last meeting and interested band members are encouraged to join. According to Mr. George, it doesn't take long to learn the forestry jargon and begin to understand what is happening. He will be present at the first meeting on Feb. 23.

All band members who have any information about damage they think is related to forestry practices or have worries about particular areas should let the newly established committee know through the Tribal Council offices.

In a recent letter to Chairman George Watts, the Deputy Minister of Forests acknowledged that native food gatherers and trappers had legitimate legal interests in Tree Farm License lands. In a later letter he said, "We must leave the onus on the affected party to inform us of the specific problems or the way the tree-farm licence will adversely affect their interests. We also appreciate receiving any constructive suggestions that may assist in remedying the situation."

From the response that has already been shown, and with continued growing awareness of what's at stake, Native peoples will be heard. Then it is time that the government remedies the situation.

Why have Salmon Enhancement?



An example of poor logging practices causing damage to a salmon spawning area is shown in this photograph taken near Tofino, a few weeks ago. This creek is a tributary of the Indian River which runs out to the Clayoquot Band's Kootowis Reserve on Tofino Inlet. It is a coho spawning ground and is also a favorite trout fishing spot for members of the Clayoquot Band. Why have salmon enhancement when destruction like this is allowed to go on?

April is Maa-nul ath Month

The Native Education Awareness Committee is organizing a West Coast Ethnic month to be held at the new shopping mall in Port Alberni during the month of April. The name for the month is "Maa-nul ath Month."

What will take place during this month? 1. Artists (carvers, painters, basketmakers, etc.) can demonstrate their talents at stores in the mall or in the mall itself. They can also sell their arts and crafts at the same time.

2. If you have several items, you can have a "one-man" display wherever you like — for one day or one week or one month. For example, George Clutesi is having a showing of his paintings and he will also be at the mall autographing his books.

3. ETV can feature West Coast films, Native Indian films, etc.

4. Native Indian groups can talk to other non-Native Indian organizations such as Lions, Rotary, Kinsmen, etc. Topics could be on education, land claims, social problems.

5. Indian Games — Any band can "play" games in the open area at the mall, such as lahal, ladies gambling game.

6. Indian Dancing — Each tribe can pick a day or evening at the Mall or Echo Centre. Already booked are Neah Bay dancers on Friday, April 11 and Ucluelet dancers on Saturday, April 12. Also Peter Webster and the Ahousat dancers have indicated they will perform sometime during the month.

7. Dinner will be served at Echo Centre on Saturday, April 26 by the Native Education Awareness Committee. All proceeds will go towards the "George Clutesi Scholarship Fund."

Anyone who wants to get on the program should do so early. Contact Virginia Summers at the Port Alberni Friendship Centre, phone 723-8281.

Soon no More

Indian people lived Off the land so long ago Now you see them race Off for the little bit Of fish that is left

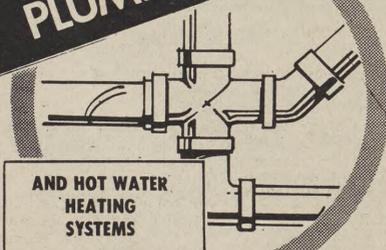
When they reach the fish There isn't enough to go around

Long ago there was plenty. Now pretty soon there will be no more.

Mary Little

8. The Museum has agreed to set up a display during April at the Mall. They will have a display of indian artifacts and also there will be four weavers demonstrating basket-making. Natalie McFarlane, a Museum employee, has agreed to find funds that will allow a Native person to assist in putting up the display and also "guide" the people at the display.

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Changes to the Indian Act — Our Position

THE PROCESS

Recognizing that many Indian people do not fully understand the Indian Act, our Tribal Council first held a workshop for the leaders from the 13 bands. Meetings were then held at the reserve level to hear the opinions of band members. Once these meetings were over the Tribal Council then held another meeting to formulate their final position. It is that position which we are presenting to you today.

INTRODUCTION

We recognize that there must be many changes made to the Indian Act that will give equality to all Indian people, will give Indian people more authority in their governments and that will give bands the flexibility that is needed to develop at their own pace. We further recognize that all the necessary changes cannot happen at one time. The Indian Act has meant security to some Indians and has been a hindrance to others. We must change it into a document which not only enshrines our rights but also promotes development of all Indian people.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership should have been and should be the sole responsibility of the band members in our meetings.

one member said: "This man has held a potlatch. His family owns songs and dances. You cannot tell me that he is not an Indian". Membership in our bands is a cultural factor and not a legal matter. However, we recognize that we must show flexibility in order to eliminate the inequalities that now exist.

1. Non-Indian women should no longer gain status through marriage and Indian women should not lose status.
2. The first generation children from a mixed marriage should have status. Anyone who is less than half-breed should have their status determined by the band.

3. People without status may receive benefits if passed by a 2/3 majority vote of the band members.

4. Indian children adopted by non-Indians should not lose status. Non-Indian children adopted by Indians should not gain status but may receive benefits.

5. Enfranchisement should be totally eliminated from the Indian Act.

6. Retroactivity in all respects should be left up to the bands.

LAND SURRENDERS

1. Indian lands should only be surrendered for the purposes of sale. A surrender should only take place with an approval of 2/3 majority of eligible band voters.

2. For those lands that have already been surrendered the Minister should only act on them with full permission of the band.

3. Bands should have power to enter into leases directly.

4. Bands should have power over lands already surrendered recognizing that there are terms to be met under the original surrender.

HUNTING & FISHING

1. Our Food Fishing Rights should be included in the Indian Act.

2. We agree that Federal Laws should also be subject to Treaties.

3. We agree that Bands should have absolute control over fish and game within reserve boundaries.

EDUCATION

The field of education is one that is important to our people and will become increasingly important as our communities develop. The government of Canada must clearly understand that education to our people means more than the definition put forth by the public system.

We totally disagree with the government's position of abandoning their responsibility for the education of these Indians who have been forced off reserve due to the lack of housing and employment opportunities. We remind you that the education of the majority of Indian people has been in the hands of the province for many

years and we have witnessed the disaster of that era. How can you justify handing the responsibility of education for off-reserve Indians to these same people with their poor track record. If the federal government continues their hard-line position then they are really saying that they do not care about the future of these people as long as they win their constitutional battles.

The Minister should only be making Educational Agreements with bands. Bands then could enter into agreements with other agencies. This situation would clearly reflect "Indian Control of Indian Education". This type of arrangement is the only possibility of bands having negotiating power to bring about the kinds of educational services that they require. There is no need for an Education Charter to bring this about.

Band Councils should be given the first opportunity to regulate the "Quality of Education". The Minister should only be given this responsibility where there is a vacuum.

The subjects of Compulsory School Attendance and Truancy should be entirely up to the Band councils.

Finally we agree with your (the Minister's) proposals about Indian religious beliefs and Indian Language.

TRIBAL GOVERNMENT

We are totally opposed to the proposed Charter System of government. Clearly this would just become another

bureaucratic stumbling block for Indian People. We feel that the Minister could spell out our authority and rights in the Indian Act without the Charter System. A clear example of this is the situation where a band votes to hold their election under band customs. The decisions about the regulations of the election then become the band's responsibility. Basically, we are interested in having the dollars flow from parliament to the bands with the least amount of bureaucracy involved. Nobody but the band should be making the decision about the spending of those dollars. We have no objection about the accountability of those expenditures to parliament but this should not be confused with accountability to three levels of bureaucracy. This whole proposal reminds us of a squabbling couple who move into a new house hoping things will get better. Our present house has to be in order.

We strongly recommend that the Minister investigate that portion of the Indian Act which deals with band by-laws and the possibility of expanding the areas which bands could pass by-laws about.

We agree that the whole Indian Government section must be optional and flexible to meet individual bands needs.

Finally, there should be a section in the Indian Act that prevents any arrangements being made with the Provincial Government without the band's consent.

The Indian Today By Virginia P. Summers

Indians are not a talking society and communicate quite well with a minimum of words. They adjust themselves to their environment. They are not capitalistic. They were once said to be a dying race. Today Indians are the fastest growing ethnic group in Canada. They live in every province of Canada, with the provinces of British Columbia and Ontario having over half the Indian population. They vary in culture, history and development from one part of the country to another. Government policy aims at eventual integration of Indians into the mainstream of Canadian life, while recognizing their right to maintain their own cultural identity.



Virginia Summers

Many Canadians talk of the Indian problem. What is the Indian problem? In essence, it is this: Many do not look on the Indian as a full citizen of Canada. The Indian is an outsider and made to feel an outsider in his own country. The Indian, caught in an age of transition can adapt himself to a more complex society, if he wishes to do so. However, the many factors which inhibit the Indian in adapting to the modern world are but dimly understood by the non-Indian.

First of all, the reserve to an Indian is home — just as a small village is to any and many rural Canadians. Yet it is something more — it is also a retreat. It is a place to go back to if one becomes lonely or disappointed and unable to adjust. For the Indian, there is a need for a stepping stone from one side to the other.

Secondly, the average school level and saleable skills of the Indians across Canada are lower than the national level — through no fault of the Indians. With the massive programs now being undertaken, the gaps are closing slowly but steadily. Main causes of the high drop-out rate of secondary school students seem to stem from three areas — the school, the homes and parents, the student himself — not necessarily in that order. While these areas of potential trouble seem to be all-encompassing, there are specific factors that make the problem more complex and acute.

1. Parental indifference and in some cases, actual hostility to higher education.

Some parents actually feel that children will lose respect for them if they are more highly educated.

2. Age-grade retardation and its social and academic effects.

3. Social discrimination in the joint school.

4. Self discrimination or poor self-image.

5. Boarding-home adjustments and related problems.

Age-grade retardation and its consequences can be lessened by a good enrichment in the early stages. Nursery school or pre-school can and does benefit the youngsters, as we have noticed with the youngsters in our programs.

Human nature being what it is, there is very little that can be done to erase discrimination at school. However, if the student can be shown that racial discrimination is reducible to ignorance, then perhaps the discrimination he encounters will not bother him so much.

Chiefs and councillors can and should talk to their people concerning the importance of parental support for the advancement of the child. Even with the help of government agencies and volunteer organizations, there is no substitute for responsible parenthood. Much is being done by teacher-parent groups.

Poor self-image and low-esteem is a complex problem. Many Indians feel that this would disappear if TV and movies and history books could be corrected regarding the Indian's role in the past and the present. It appears rather to me to be a deep-rooted problem caused by the environment and circumstances under which the Indian has lived for many years. Such things as pride of accomplishment, pride of heritage, pride of self, now are beginning to show up in our young people. It seems now that a chain reaction is slowly building up. Young

people now are realizing that the future is theirs, that they alone are the hope of the Indian future. Many cities now have enterprising groups and organizations that help Indian youth to realize that the future depends on them.

It appears that the school drop-out problem, among Indians as among non-Indians is a symptom of a broad social malaise including lack of purpose, family break-ups, juvenile delinquency, poverty — both physical and cultural. If we, as Indian people, are to correct the conditions creating these problems, we must first recognize our own responsibility in the general effort to improve social and economic conditions, with the co-operation of the non-Indian.

Many Indian Bands now have formed school committees and are looking after all the educational issues of the communities. These committees help to maintain attendance and punctuality, take care of school property and provide extra-curricular activities. They help to stimulate more parental interest and more interest by the community in the education of the children through parent-teacher groups. With the advent of the joint schools in non-Indian areas, it is of the utmost importance that the Home and School Associations invite and make welcome the parents of the Indian children. It is also very important that the School Boards concerned invite and accept Indian representation on the board.

Woman are taking an increasingly effective role in the progress of the various committees set up by the Band Council, such as, Welfare, Sanitation, Recreation, Housing, Library, Planning, Finances, Schools, Roads and Drainage. More involvement by the Indian woman has become very worthwhile in their own communities.

Gradually, as the Canadian conscience stirs, and it should stir more quickly, there is becoming apparent an increasing acceptance of the Indian as a Canadian, the original Canadian.

Younger Indians are raising their educational levels and leaving the reserves in search of jobs in professions such as law, medicine, ministry, nursing, teaching, business ad-

ministrators, radio and television. Many hold positions in factories and offices and hold skilled technical positions.

By this example, the Indian has proven his ability to take his place on the basis of equality in the Canadian society. From other Canadians, the Indian has a right to expect UNDERSTANDING in preference to SYMPATHY, RESPECT instead of CONDESCENSION.

Did You Ever

Did you ever Love a boy
and know he didn't care
Did you ever feel like crying
and think you'd get nowhere!
Did you ever look into his eyes
and say a little prayer.
Did you ever look into his heart
and wish that you were there.
Did you ever see him coming when the
lights were turned down low.
Did you ever whisper I Love You
But never let him know.
Did you ever fall in love my friend
you'll find it doesn't pay.
It always causes heartbreak if happens every day.
Did you ever wonder where he is and wonder if he's
true.
One day you'll be happy,
next day you'll be blue.
When it starts you don't know
you'll wonder night and day.
You see my friend you're losing him
No matter what you say,
Love is fine but it hurts so much and if I find I don't
Had to choose between life or death
I think I'd rather die.
And so I say my friend don't fall in Love
You'll find it hurts and before you're through
You see my friend I ought to know
I fell in Love with you!

Written by Lisa Gallic
February 25, 1980



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Opetchesaht Chief Councillor Willie Tatoosh hands over a cheque for \$200 to Pat Thomas of the Nu-u-chah-nulth Tribal Council for the Council's Land Claims fund. Thank You Opetchesaht! Several bands have donated their B.C. Special to the Tribal Council

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An old picture taken during a potlatch at Opihsat in 1926. The men standing are (from left to right) Harry Charlie, George Dan Simón, Willie Manson, Simon David, Oliver

Hunter, Edward Joseph S., Francis Frank, Michael Brown, Harry Yaksoos, Jimmy Jim, Paul Hayes, and James Hunter. All were from Clayoquot except the Hunters who were from Neah Bay.

Special Constable Caroline Jacobson Honored at Party

The Port Alberni Friendship Centre was filled with friends and relatives of Caroline Jacobson on February 19th, as a party was given to welcome her home and to congratulate her on becoming a Special Constable of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Caroline recently completed her training in Regina and she is stationed at the Port Alberni Detachment of the RCMP where she is now "on duty."

Special guests of honor at the party were Constable and Mrs. Jim Harrison. Constable Harrison is Caroline's partner on patrol and he has been helping her out on her new job.

The guests enjoyed a dinner of duck soup and salmon and vegetables before the evening's entertainment began.

After dinner Nelson Keitlah commented that "for the benefit of the two constables in attendance" those were absolutely legal ducks that we ate and those were not undersize fish either."

Nelson said that on this evening the Ahousats wanted to show how proud they were of Caroline. He said that Jack (Little) thought that by having this party they could show how much her achievement meant to them. Jack and Dave Jacobson made the arrangements for the party.

Jack and Dave presented Caroline with a gold and pearl necklace on behalf of the family.

The Ahousat people then sang and danced in celebration of the occasion.

The first dance was a flag dance and Nelson Keitlah explained that it was from Ucluelet. When his Uncle, Richard Benson, married a Ucluelet lady this song and some others went with her to Ahousat.

Next they sang and danced to a song of Tommy Marshall's. Nelson introduced Tommy Marshall's son, Tony Marshall, at this time.

Mark Atleo, one of the Ahousat Chiefs, was also introduced to the guests.

The next dance to be performed was a Warrior dance of Luke Swan's. This song and



Mrs. Jim Harrison, Constable Jim Harrison, Special Constable Caroline Jacobson, Myrtle Samuel, Jay Samuel.

dance was composed by Luke Swan. Nelson explained that Luke was one of the last big composers on the coast. "This is a very unique position where we come from and we are fortunate tonight to have Luke here to do these songs." Nelson went on to say that it's been quite a number of years since this dance has been done.

The next dance was a Hinkeets (Sea serpent dance) by Alfred Keitlah Jr. and Dave Jacobson, which was done before Dave gave away money and cans of fruit to the guests.

Dave also gave Constable Harrison a paddle and gave Mrs. Harrison a beaded necklace. He also gave a paddle to Pat Charleson Sr.

as a way of saying thanks for Pat's help after a fire at Dave's home.

The money which was given away was to thank the people who helped Caroline when she left for Regina to do her training and also to thank the people who helped him and his family out when they had the fire.

Dave and Caroline's two

children were given Indian names at the party. David III was named Ni-clas-swi-sit which was Harold Little Sr.'s name when he was a child. Baby Nellie Mary was named Tchuch-mah-lth, which is a name from Manhouset, from Luke Swan's side.

Another Hinkeets was performed, this time by Alfred Jr. and Jack Little, after which Jack gave away money to the guests.

He did this to thank the people for helping Caroline and also to show his appreciation to the people that were at his party when he bought his home.

Harold Little Sr. presented a paddle which he had made to Constable Harrison and a beaded necklace to Mrs. Harrison.

He also gave Bob Thomas from Tseshaht an Indian sweater which Bob had admired in the past. Bob sang a song to thank Harold.

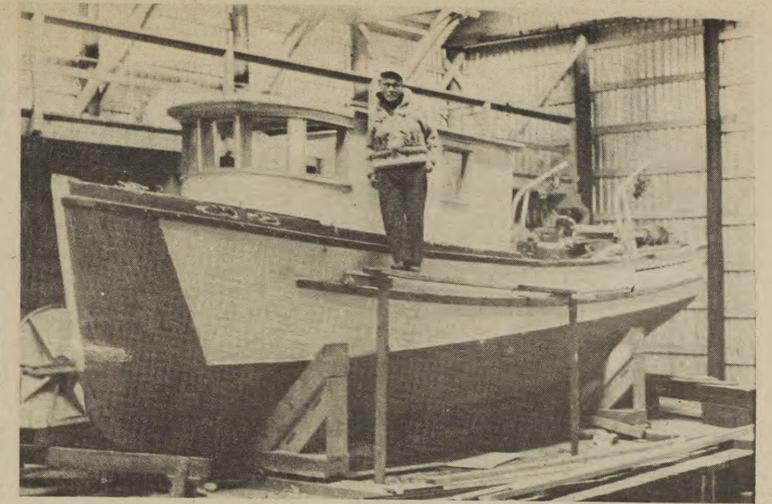
Donna Samuel's parents, Solomon and Cathleen Marshent were at the party and Solomon, feeling good about the events, also sang a song from his home of Kitwanooc, in Northern B.C.

The people from Tseshaht and Opetchesah did several of their songs and dances.

Ron Hamilton said that Caroline comes from a distinguished family and that she has not only brought honor and pride to her own people but that all of the people in the Valley who know her are also proud of what she has done. He then gave Caroline an engraved silver bracelet as a present.

Ray and Myrtle Samuel thanked the Alberni people for their songs.

Jacob Gallic thanked the hosts in his native language before everyone went home.



The Opitsat boathouse is a busy place these days as fishermen get ready for the upcoming herring and salmon seasons. Dan David Sr. has been busy rebuilding the troller (above), while left the picture shows Ricky Masso and Johnny Williams, apprentice welders, working on a herring skiff.



Singers from the Ahousat Band: Sam Mack, Alfred Keitlah Sr., John Keitlah, Luke Swan, Nelson Keitlah, Harold Little Jr., Harold Little Sr., Dickson Sam.



Constable Jacobson takes part in the dances.



Bob Thomas is happy to get a new sweater



Alfred Keitlah Jr. and Jack Little do the sea serpent dance.



Alfred Keitlah Jr. and Dave Jacobson, Ahousat dancers.

Dedicated to our beloved Dad ... Joseph Frank

DAD

You were the sunshine of my life,
You made me laugh and smile,
You were the most understanding person I knew,
For all the time you had made my day
Sunny when it was gloomy,
All the things you had done for me,
I'll cherish in my heart!
All the fulfilled joyous moments
You gave me, I have memorized in my mind and soul,
Dad I can't express everything,
Just as wide as the world or wider than the world,
Love you Dad.

We miss you very much, Dad
You are always in our thoughts, each passing day.

As written by Karen.
With love and prayers from his ever loving family,
Nellie Frank & Family.

In Loving Memory of Dad (Joe "Shorty" Frank)

Just when things were going so good and our smiles were so big,

Our Great Lord had come to take our ever Loving Father away from us.

Seeing our Dad go was a tragedy to us
Everyone else really couldn't accept the fact that Chief Joseph Frank will not return.

People from each tribe build up our courage to keep on letting days go by without him.

His spirit and great memories are still with us and now we are beginning to realize he won't be back to be with us.

Rest in Peace Dad.

Love Marie.

In Memory of Margaret Titian, who passed away Feb. 26/79.

In the beginning her life was good
She was a fine person to love, to hold and to cherish,
In the beginning excitement was there
Laughter and cheer filled her home
Now comes the end
Which wasn't so fine
Tears will be cried time after time
Her love is here and will always stay,
With her children and grandchildren
Now we must let her go to rest

She'll always be remembered

By Julia Lucas

In Memory of Joseph Titian

My Dear Grandfather
I miss you so,
But the time had come
When you had to go.

You were a great man
As anyone could see,
There's so many things in life
That there is to be.

I'll never forget you
As the days go by,
But many times
I have a silent cry.

You were loved so much
By those around you,
But you've left us now
Sad and blue.

Grandfather you were always there
To be your best,
But now you're gone
To have your rest.

All those memories
That you left behind,
Will be with me
Inside my mind.

We'll meet again
And very soon,
There'll be no cry
Just a silent tune.

You're Sadly Missed By Your Granddaughter — April Mae Lucas



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Please Hear What I'm Not Saying

Don't be fooled by me.
Don't be fooled by the face I wear.
For I wear a mask, I wear a thousand masks,
masks that I'm afraid to take off,
and none of them are me.

Pretending is an art that's second nature with me,
but don't be fooled, for God's sake don't be fooled.
I give you the impression that I'm secure,
that all is sunny and unruffled with me,
within as well as without,
that confidence is my name and coolness my game,
that the water's calm and I'm in command,
and that I need no one.

But don't believe me.

Please.

My surface may seem smooth, but my surface is my mask,
My ever-varying and ever-concealing mask.
Beneath lies no smugness, no complacency.
Beneath dwells the real me in confusion, in fear, in
aliveness.
But I hide this.

I don't want anyone to know it.
I panic at the thought of my weakness and fear being
exposed.

That's why I frantically create a mask to hide behind,
a nonchalant, sophisticated facade, to help me
pretend,
to shield me from that glance that knows.
But such a glance is precisely my salvation. My only
salvation.
And I know it.

That is if it's followed by acceptance, if it's followed by
love
It's the only thing that can liberate me, from myself,
from my own self-built prison walls,
from the barriers that I so painstakingly erect.
It's the only thing that will assure me of what I can't
assure myself,
that I'm really worth something.

But I don't tell you this, I don't dare. I'm afraid to.
I'm afraid your glance will not be followed by ac-
ceptance and love.
I'm afraid that you'll think less of me, that you'll
laugh,
and your laugh would kill me.
I'm afraid that deep down I'm nothing, that I'm just no
good,
and that you will see this and reject me.

So I play my game, my desperate pretending game,
with a facade of assurance without, and a trembling
child within.
And so begins the parade of masks,
the glittering but empty parade of masks
and my life becomes a front.

I idly chatter to you in the saue tones of surface talk,
I tell you everything that's really nothing,
and nothing of what's everything, of what's crying
within me.
So when I'm going through my routine do not be fooled
by what I'm saying.

Please listen carefully and try to hear what I'm not
saying,
what I'd like to be able to say, what for survival I need
to say,
but what I can't say.
I dislike hiding. Honestly.
I dislike the superficial games I'm playing,
the superficial, phoney game.
I'd really like to be genuine and spontaneous, and me,
but you've got to help me.

You've got to hold out your hand
even when that's the last thing I seem to want, or need.
Only you can wipe away my eyes the blank stare
of the breathing dead.
Only you can call me into aliveness...

Each time you're kind and gentle, and encouraging,
each time you try to understand because you really
care,
my heart begins to grow wings, very small wings,
very feeble wings,
but wings.

With your sensitivity and sympathy, and your power
of understanding,
you can breathe life into me. I want you to do that.
I want you to know how important you are to me, how
you can be a creator of the person that is me if you
choose to.

Please choose to.

You alone can break down the wall behind which I
tremble,
you alone can remove my mask,
you alone can release me from my shadow-world of
panic and uncertainty
from my lonely prison.

So do not pass me by. Please do not pass me by.

It will not be easy for you.

A long conviction of worthlessness builds strong walls.
The nearer you approach to me, the blinder I may
strike back.
It's irrational, but despite what the books say about
man, I am irrational.

I fight the very thing that I cry for. But I am told that
love is stronger than strong walls, and in this lies my
hope.

My only hope.
Please try to beat down those walls with firm hands,
but with gentle hands — for a child is sensitive.
Who am I, you may wonder? I am someone you know
very well.

For I am every man you meet and I am every woman
you meet.

The article above was
handed to us at one of the
workshops that we had at the
Friendship Centre. Ellen
Eichler was the one that did
that workshop. I told her that
the article spelled me out to
the letter, but I'm trying
really hard to get over that
inhibition, with help from my
friends who have been
listening to me. You see, I
built a shell around me when I
first got beaten up, and when
I saw my husband beat up my
daughter, her face was
swollen right up. I drew
further in my shell when he
put my oldest son in the
hospital with two broken legs
and broken ribs. He was in
the hospital for three months.
He turned three while he was
still in the hospital. My doctor
charged my husband for child
abuse, he got six months jail
sentence, without no good
behavior. When he got out he
was okay for awhile. Just
when we moved back to
Nitinah, we moved in with
his parents, he started
getting after me and the
children again. I know a lot of
people knew my husband, but
in order before people to
know anybody they have to
live with the person. Today I
have a hard time to hug my
daughter, and tell her that I
love her. I'm going to be
showing this article to her
and hope that she un-
derstands me more. I get
along fine with my other
children, especially with my
youngest. He knows when
I'm depressed, so he comes
up to me and says mommy, I
love you, and that lifts my
spirit right up again. He even
calls me honey. So you might
call this above "Child
Abuse." I hope this will help
other people to understand
more about child abuse and
help people who beat up their
children, because their
children will end up abusing
their children when they grow
up and get married and start
having children themselves.
It's one hell of a life to live.

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I understand that there are
still some widows who
haven't been collecting
widow's and orphan's
benefits so I would like them
to contact me whenever
possible. I was lucky, because
my husband's boss told me
who to see. You could either
contact me at the Friendship
Centre or at the Friendship
Lodge on Wednesdays, in the
morning.

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This paragraph is about
"Rape." What do I know
about rape. Well I was raped
when I was still in the
Residential School, but that
was kept a secret until now,
and I was raped and beaten
up just before my husband
committed suicide. When I
went to my husband's
funeral, I still had blackeyes,
went over there wearing
sunglasses. This is very hard
for me to write about, but a
weight is lifting from me,
because I carried this for a
long time.

+++
This paragraph is about
suicide, for those who are
thinking about committing
suicide. Think twice before
you do. You may think that
nobody care's, but they do.
You're not hurting yourself,
you are also hurting your
family and your friends, even
though you think you are
alone in the world. There is
someone to turn to, even a
minister of your choice. You
could go and talk to him. You
can't forget and talk to your
own doctor. When my
husband committed suicide,
that was who I talked with,
even though I still haven't got
over it, it helped me some to
talk to him.

+++
This next paragraph is a
'thank you' message to those
who helped to bring me up,
my sisters and brothers are
classed as orphans. We were
sent here when our parents
drowned. We were brought up
in the Residential School,
here, in Port Alberni. A lot of
people know me as a book-



Judy Joseph

Women's Worker

"Incest"

This is another hard article
for me to write on, due to the
fact I'm classed as an orphan.
I know about this matter
since my own uncle tried to
take me to bed. I was lucky,
since my three brother's were
staying at the same place it
happened, but they don't
know about this. He tried
three times, so I got up and
crawled between them.
Before I did, I grabbed a file
and was ready to use it on
him. I also know for a fact
that this is happening all over
the place, step-parents, foster
parents, uncles, aunts and
even brothers are committing
incest. For those who are
committing incest they
should think about it, and
seek counselling. You are
making us have a hard time
dealing with our growing up.
You are making us draw into
ourselves. We have a hard
time relating to people, a lot
of us turn to prostitution,
drugs, alcohol or we commit
suicide, because we can't
handle it by ourselves. So,
you people think about what
you are doing to us. We want
to enjoy growing up, while we
still can.

+++
I forgot to say thank you to
Betty Tatoosh for taking me
out the day before my
husband's funeral. I would
also like to thank her mom for
bringing me over to Nitinah.
So thanks a lot to both of you.

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I would like the women to
start meeting me at the lodge
whenever I go up there. I will
be going up there more often,
when I get hired-on by the
Friendship Centre. I'm
through training on March 31,
so be hoping to see you there.
I don't care who you are, I
would like to see anybody.
Single parents, women whose
husbands are working out of
town or on graveyard shift,
anybody in particular. You
could also meet me here at
the Friendship Centre, too, or
phone me to make house-
visits. Whenever I can, I
would like to meet with you.
So I hope to see you whenever
I can. To some people who
would like to write to me, my
mailing address is: Box 273,
Port Alberni, B.C. V9Y 7M7.

JUDY JOSEPH
Women's Worker

Fire Prevention in the Home

Over two-thirds of all fires
in Canada occur in the home.
There are more than 50,000
residential fires every year.

HOW CAN YOU MAKE YOUR HOME A SAFER PLACE?

- Educate your family
about fire preventions:
+ don't allow children to
play with the stove, ther-
mostat, or matches.
+ don't leave your children
alone in the house.
+ never smoke in bed and
make certain all cigarettes
are extinguished.
+ destroy oily rags or keep
them in an airtight metal
container.
+ gasoline should not be
used indoors. The unseen
vapors can ignite in a flash.
Gasoline shouldn't be stored
in a glass or plastic container.
- If you have a wood stove:
+ don't leave the stove
unattended at high settings.
+ have your chimney
cleaned every two months.
+ never use artificial logs
in the stove as they release
deposits inside the pipes
which may ignite in time.
+ the stove should be in-
stalled no closer than 36 in-
ches from combustible walls
or materials such as fur-
niture.
+ the stove and pipes
should be installed no closer
than 18 inches if the walls are
adequately protected (bricks
or asbestos).
+ insulated pipe must be
used when going through a
wall or ceilings.

+ don't use the stove as a
trash incinerator or it will
cause a built-up of soot.

3. Electricity:
+ have old wiring checked.
+ use 15 amp fuses, they
are safety valves and if they
keep blowing out call an
electrician.
+ don't overload electrical
outlets.

4. Other Precautionary
Measures:
+ have a fire extinguisher
in the house and make sure
everyone knows how to use it.
+ smoke alarms and
detectors can alert occupants
in the early stages of a fire.
+ have the phone numbers
of the Fire Department and
ambulance posted on a wall.

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IN CASE OF FIRE:

- + have a plan so that
everyone knows what to do.
Normal exits may be blocked
so you should practice before
an emergency takes place.
- + make certain your
children know what to do as
you may not be able to reach
them.
- + don't waste time getting
dressed or gathering
valuables.
- + call the fire department
from a neighbor's house not
from inside the scene of the
fire.
- + if someone's clothing is
on fire smother them with a
blanket or roll them on the
ground to put out the fire.
- + for mild burns immerse
area in cold water or apply



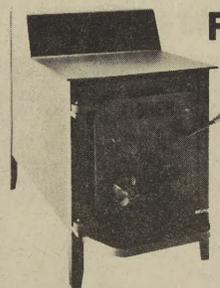
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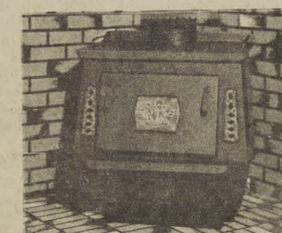
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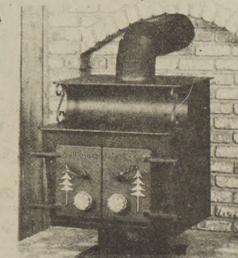


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Men's Island Zone

Thirteen Senior men's teams competed for the right to go on to the B.C. Playoffs on February 1, 2 and 3. The Zone playoffs were held in Victoria this year with the Victoria Oakland T-Birds acting as the host team.

The T-Birds and the Hesquiat Braves finished first and second in the tournament and they qualified for the B.C. tournament in Kitimat. Third

place finishers were Campbell River.

Complete scores from the weekend were: No. 1, Oakland T-Birds 112, Ahousat T-Birds 64; No. 2, Hesquiat 86, Victoria Bucks 54; No. 3, Stealorz 74, Alert Bay 56; No. 4, Ucluelet 46, Clayoquot 37; No. 5, Ahousat Raiders 85, Ahoutah 72; No. 6, Campbell River 93, Roadrunners 78; No. 7, Victoria Bucks 106, Ahousat T-Birds 53; No. 8,

Alert Bay 88, Clayoquot 35; No. 9, Roadrunners 101, Ahoutah 85; No. 10, Oakland T-Birds 80, Yuquot 52; No. 11, Stealorz 82, Hesquiat 57; No. 12, Ahousat Raiders 71, Ucluelet 60;

No. 13, Yuquot 77, Victoria Bucks 75; No. 14, Hesquiat 75, Alert Bay 58; No. 15, Roadrunners 73, Ucluelet 47; No. 16, Hesquiat 56, Yuquot 55; No. 17, Campbell River 97, Ahousat Raiders 65; No. 18,

Oakland T-Birds 90, Stealorz 78; No. 19, Hesquiat 85, Ahousat Raiders 66; No. 20, Roadrunners 94, Stealorz 93; No. 21, Oakland T-Birds 86, Campbell River 75; No. 22,

Hesquiat 99, Roadrunners 80; No. 23, Hesquiat beat Campbell River but we lost the scoresheet and don't know the score; No. 24, Oakland T-Birds 81, Hesquiat 59.

Men's Island Zone Playoffs

ISLAND ZONE SR. MEN'S PLAYOFF TROPHY PRESENTATIONS

- 1st Place — Victoria T-Birds.
- 2nd Place — Hesquiat Braves.
- 3rd Place — Campbell River.
- Most Sportsmanlike Team — Victoria Bucks.
- Most Valuable Player — Chuck Lucas, Hesquiat.
- Most Inspirational Player — Ed Sharkey, Campbell River.

1ST ALL-STAR TEAM

- Chuck Lucas — Hesquiat Braves.
- Charlie Timmins — Oakland T-Birds.
- Andy Nelson — Oakland T-Birds.
- Bob Duncan — Campbell River.
- Jack Little — Stealers.

2ND ALL-STAR TEAM

- Frenchie Charleson — Hesquiat.
- Ernie Alfred — Alert Bay.
- Danny Thorne — Victoria T-Birds.
- Tom Watts — Stealers.
- Tony Fred — Roadrunners.

HONORABLE MENTION

- Joe Campbell — Ahousat Raiders.
- Hammy Watts — Stealers.
- Henry Clifton — Victoria Bucks.
- Rueben Amos — Yuquot Totems.
- John Dick — Roadrunners.



The Clayoquot Chiefs take on Alert Bay in the Island Zone Playoffs held in Victoria.

HESQUIAT BRAVES



Back row (l-r) Pat Charleson Sr. with Jason Charleson, Joe Charleson, Bruce Lucas, Simon Lucas, Dave Charleson, Frenchie Charleson, Con Charleson. Front Row (l-r) Linus Lucas, Chuck Lucas, Steve Lucas, Andrew Bos, Joe David. Missing from picture Pat Charleson Jr. Vince Smith and Guy Little.

Victoria, Hesquiat do well in BC

The two teams representing the Island Zone did well in the B.C. Playoffs held in Kitimat on February 22nd to 24th, with the Oakland T-Birds from Victoria placing second and the Hesquiat Braves coming in third.

Kitimat won the championship with a seven point victory over the T-Birds, in a game that was close from start to finish.

Also taking part in the tournament were teams from Ft. St. James, Greenville, Twin River, the Kitimat B Team and Nishga.

The Hesquiat Braves were the tournament's Most Sportsmanlike team and individual trophies went to Frenchie Charleson, second all-star and Steve Lucas, who was a first all-star and the top scorer.

For Victoria Tony Thomas was a first all-star and Doug Williams was a second all-star.

Kitimat's Maurice Amos was the Most Valuable Player.

The Hesquiat Braves Basketball team would like to thank Pat Charleson Sr. for his generous donation of \$1,000 to help with our trip to Kitimat. Thanks also to the Greenwood Hotel, Katila Motors, Daryl Charleson and to the Hesquiat ladies who put on the rummage sale for your donations and support.

LaPush winners in Hesquiat Tournament

The Third Annual Hesquiat Invitational Basketball Tournament was held at the Athletic Hall in Port Alberni on January 18, 19 and 20.

Fourteen teams played in the tournament with LaPush from Washington State winning the championship trophy.

The hosting team, the Hesquiat Braves came second while Makah Nation from Neah Bay won the consolation round, beating out Mt. Currie in the consolation finals.

Also taking part in the tourney were Lummi Nation, Ft. St. James, the Roadrunners and Stealorz from Port Alberni, Campbell River, Victoria T-Birds, Musquem, Ahousat T-Birds, B.C. Packers and Victoria Bucks.

LaPush had a high-scoring game as they won the championship game by a score of 113 to 92, and had earlier victories over Ft. St. James (114 to 83) and Victoria T-Birds (93 to 85).

Most of the teams were

quite evenly matched which made for some close and exciting games.

The local teams made a good showing with the Braves coming second with wins over the Stealorz, Lummi Nation and Makah Nation, while the Stealorz had victories over the Ahousat T-Birds and defending B.C. champs Musquem, and the Roadrunners beat the Victoria Bucks and Stealorz and lost two close games to Mt. Currie.

Mt. Currie was one of the surprises of the tournament as they had a young and inexperienced team but they never stopped hustling and they made it to the consolation final where they lost to Makah Nation. However they were rewarded for their efforts with the most sportsmanlike team trophy.

Other team trophies went to LaPush, champions; Hesquiat Braves, second place and Makah Nation, consolation.

The most valuable player award went to Ron Sather of LaPush, who was also the best defensive player.

Dale Johnson of Makah Nation was given the most inspirational player award.

Dean Nelson of Mt. Currie was the tournament's most sportsmanlike player.

Named to the first all-star team were Ron Sather and Jerry Allen of LaPush; Dale Johnson and Dobe Lyons of Makah Nation; Rueben Amos of Hesquiat; Dean Nelson of Mt. Currie and Tony Fred of the Roadrunners.

Second all-stars were Terry Sam of Ft. St. James; Pat Charleson Jr. of Hesquiat; Jeff Sawyer of Makah Nation; Bo Horejsi of LaPush; Boyd Gallic of the Stealorz; Ryan Pascall of Mt. Currie and Dan Thorne of the Victoria T-Birds.



A game in the Island zone playoffs between the Ahousat T-Birds and Victoria Bucks. Greg Louie about to go up for a shot.

Ladies' Island Zone Results

The Senior Women's Island Zone playoffs were held at John Barsby Senior Secondary School in Nanaimo on February 15, 16 and 17.

Seven teams competed in the tourney: Nanaimo Tillicum Haus who were the hosting team, Alert Bay, Duncan, Saanich, Christie School, Port Alberni and Ucluelet.

Tillicum Haus came in first, beating Alert Bay by a score of 54 to 49 in the championship game. Duncan placed third.

Trophy presentations were made after the final game. Saanich was named the tournament's most sportsmanlike team while Gina Olson of the Saanich team was given the most sportsmanlike player award.

Diane Alfred of Alert Bay was the best defensive player and the tournament's most valuable player was Karen Williams of Nanaimo Tillicum Haus.

On the first all-star team were Diane Alfred, Alert Bay; Nancy Wyse, Tillicum Haus; Jennifer Williams, Duncan; Corey Alfred, Alert Bay and Karen Williams, Tillicum Haus.

Named to the second all-star team were Freda Sampson, Tillicum Haus; Barb Cramner, Alert Bay; Josie Titian, Christie School; Donna Elliot, Duncan and Beatrice Henry, Saanich.

The two top teams from the zone, Nanaimo Tillicum Haus and Alert Bay will travel to Vernon to take part in the B.C. Playoffs on March 7, 8 and 9.

JR. BOY'S & GIRL'S BASKETBALL



The Port Alberni Friendship Centre will be hosting a Junior Boy's and Girl's (16 & under) Basketball Tournament at E.J. Dunn Junior Secondary School, March 14-16. There will be a concession stand at the games and a disco dance on Saturday evening at the Centre. For more information contact Jack Little at the Port Alberni Friendship Centre, phone 723-8281.



Hammy Watts of the Stealorz eyes the basket during a game with Musquem during the Hesquiat Basketball tournament. The Stealorz won by a score of 72 to 67.



LaPush, winners of the Hesquiat Invitational Tournament are presented with their trophies from members of the Braves team. The thunderbird and whale trophy was carved and donated by John Jacobson of Ahousat.

First Tsa-tsum Tournament

Tsa-tsum of Campbell River hosted their first invitational basketball tournament in their new gym on the weekend of February 15, 16 and 17.

Nine teams took part in the games with the Island zone champions Victoria Oakland T-Birds winning the championship game.

The T-Birds didn't have an easy time of it this tournament as they had to go through the back door after losing an overtime game to Tsa-tsum on Saturday.

Then on Sunday they were taken to two overtimes by the Roadrunners before winning that one, and then had to beat Campbell River and the

Hesquiat Braves before meeting Lummi Nation in the finals.

The T-Birds got off to a fast start in the championship game and were ahead by over 20 points for much of the game. In the last 10 minutes Lummi started to draw closer as John Greene and Terry Greene each got a hot

shooting hand. Lummi drew within two points in the final minutes but three of their players fouled out near the end and their comeback was snuffed out when Tony Thomas connected for a pair of freeshots in the final seconds.

The final score was Oakland T-Birds 68 and Lummi Nation 66.

The trophy presentations were made by Chief Bill Roberts who thanked the fans and players for coming and congratulated the players on their sportsmanship.

The Oakland T-Birds were given the championship trophy, Lummi Nation the second place trophy and the Hesquiat Braves, third place.

Lummi also received the most sportsmanlike team trophy.

Most valuable player of the tournament was Tony Thomas of the Oakland T-Birds. All-star trophies were also presented to the following players:

First All-stars: Tony Thomas, Oakland T-Birds; Joe Charleson, Hesquiat Braves; Gary Scow, Tsa-tsum; Terry Greene, Lummi Nation; Hector Little, Roadrunners.

Second All-stars: Tony Fred, Roadrunners; Tom Watts, Stealerz; Danny Thorne, Oakland T-Birds; Norm Taylor, Tsa-tsum; John Greene, Lummi Nation.



Roadrunner's Hector Little and Raider's Wes Thomas battle for a rebound during the Tsa-tsum tournament. Also in the picture are John Dick (14), Joe Campbell, Spider Thomas, Les Sam (3) and Irvin Frank.



All eyes are on the ball in a game between the Roadrunners and the Victoria Oakland T-Birds in Campbell River. The T-Birds won this game after two overtimes and went on to win the tournament.



Spider Thomas, Pete Frank and Irvin Frank of the Raiders take a rest and get some advice from coach Edgar Charlie during the Campbell River Tournament.

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MacMillan Bloedel makes available scholarships each year to graduating students who have demonstrated scholastic ability and capacity for leadership who want to develop these skills through further studies.

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The company also provides special grants towards costs of accommodation and transportation for award-winning students who reside in areas remote from the recognized institute of their choice. Applications close May 31, 1980.

There are also bursaries available to student employees. A total of \$8000 (in amounts of \$200-\$500) available to students at recognized universities who, after working at least 25 days as vacation relief in any division or subsidiary of the company in North America.

There are also government scholarships available to all students who write the

government exams — \$1000. Six ADSS students were successful in 1979.

Also there are five district scholarships available for \$1000. (The number is determined on the school enrolment in any school district).

Numerous other bursaries are available from local organizations, service clubs, etc., some open, some restricted.

MacMillan fund also helps: Although not connected directly with the company, other bursaries for post-secondary education are available to matriculating students residing in communities where MB has operations through the H.R. MacMillan Family Funds, administered by the Vancouver Foundation.

Applicants must have a sound academic record and be able to show there is financial need. They are required to provide biographical letter (family background, hobbies, etc.), name two current references and include their high school record. These should be sent to the Vancouver Foundation, 9th Floor, 1199 West Pender St., Vancouver, B.C. V6E 2R1 before May 1st.

CONGRATULATIONS

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Born to Alfred and Gina Fred, on February 6, 1980, a daughter, Camille Anne Marie.
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Beliefs About Alcoholics and Alcoholism

BELIEFS ABOUT ALCOHOLICS AND ALCOHOLISM

This article will be devoted to beliefs about alcoholics and alcoholism and how these beliefs block or enhance recovery.

Listed below are typical feelings individuals experience when they become aware of the reality that they have the disease of alcoholism. These feelings are the result of beliefs. Constructive feelings are concern, responsibility, disappointment, sadness and dislike. Destructive feelings are anger, depression, self-pity and fear. Rational beliefs create constructive feelings, irrational beliefs create destructive feelings. What you do then is give up your irrational beliefs and replace them with rational beliefs. To do this, keep telling yourself over and over again the rational beliefs until you believe them in your heart.

1. Destructive Feelings: Guilt - Irrational Beliefs: I'm a louse for doing all those wrong things. I should have known better. I should have stopped. I shouldn't be an alcoholic. I deserve or should be punished. I'm no good, a second class citizen. I shouldn't have done those things...

Constructive Feelings: Concern and responsibility - Rational Beliefs: Alcoholism is a disease and I have no control over whether or not I have it and am not totally responsible for my acts when I was drunk. I couldn't have known better. I am a not perfect person, not a SOB. There is no way to measure my value as a human being; being alcoholic does not lessen this value. There are no shoulds and thus no reason why I should not have done anything; it might have been better if I hadn't, but that does not mean I shouldn't have.

2. Destructive Feeling: Depression - Irrational Beliefs: I can't stand it! Being alcoholic is awful, terrible and horrible. I can't have a good time without booze. I'll never have fun again. No one will enjoy being with me and I won't get invited anywhere.

Constructive Feelings: Sadness, dislike, disappointment - Rational Beliefs: I am standing it; I can stand anything. Being alcoholic may be inconvenient at most, but there is no evidence that

it, or anything is horrible, terrible or awful which are merely definitions and not reality. I have no evidence that I can't have a great time. There is also no evidence that no one will enjoy being with me... did they enjoy it when I was drunk? Probably not!

3. Destructive Feelings: Fear of rejection and depression about it - Irrational Beliefs: My friends will look down on me and won't want to see me. My family will reject me. I can't stand rejection... it would make me into a lesser person, a second class human! I need love and approval. Someone might see me go to A.A. and that would be terrible... I couldn't stand it!

Constructive Feeling: Dislike of possible rejection - Rational Beliefs: I would like to not be rejected by anyone, but this may be impossible. I don't need the love and approval of anyone... but it certainly is nice to have and I can work for it. I have no evidence that anyone will reject me as a result of my not drinking; if they did so solely on that basis, I'm not sure it was a valuable friendship. Being rejected or accepted has nothing to do with my value as a person... I am OK no matter what! I can stand rejection, but don't like it and would prefer it did not happen in most cases.

4. Destructive Feelings: Fear of failure and perfectionism - Irrational Beliefs: I would be a total louse if I slipped and took a drink. It would be terrible and awful if I slipped. I must behave perfectly now. I have to make up for my wrong doings. No one would love me if I did wrong again. I must stay sober and do well for my loved ones.

Constructive Feelings: Concern about failure and desire to do well - Rational Beliefs: I am not a perfect human being and even if I slipped and drank it would not make me into a louse or lessen my value as a human. It would however, do me great harm (might even kill me) and thus I had better do everything possible to maintain my sobriety. Maintain it for myself, not for others. Scaring myself to death about possible failure will only increase its chances; strong concern and desire to do well are the most constructive attitudes to hold. I can't be a perfect human and I don't have to make up past wrongs — although it

might be useful where possible. I have no evidence that no one will love me if I do something wrong or fail at something; also I don't need the love of others — but it is nice to have! I had better do everything possible to maintain my sobriety for many good reasons; that is, so I can enjoy all parts of life much more. Staying sober just to avoid being a louse is an invalid and dangerous reason that often doesn't work.

5. Destructive Feeling: Anger - Irrational Beliefs: It shouldn't be! It can't be! Because I don't like being alcoholic, it shouldn't be! People should understand alcoholism! People should not look down on alcoholism with their old-fashioned ideas!

Constructive Feeling: Dislike - Rational Beliefs: Even though I don't like the fact that I have the disease of alcoholism, this does not mean it shouldn't or can't be; who am I to say what should or shouldn't be? People have the right to be wrong and to look at me in any way they wish. Why should they understand?

6. Destructive Feeling: Self-pity - Irrational Beliefs: This shouldn't have happened to me! Why me? Poor me! I shouldn't have to work so hard to maintain my sobriety and enjoy life! I'm being made to pay. I shouldn't have

to suffer these consequences. **Constructive Feeling: Disappointment - Rational Belief:** There is no reason why the disease of alcoholism shouldn't have happened to me; I am no one special; some unfortunate things happen to everyone. And why poor me? I can have a very interesting and fun life in spite of my alcoholism; Why shouldn't I have to work hard to maintain my sobriety and have a good time in life? That's part of life, without human tendencies to goof up! Who said it would be easy? There is no evidence that I am being made to pay by some ultimate court, but we do have to endure the consequences of our acts, even if we're not totally responsible for all of them.

GENERAL IRRATIONAL BELIEFS AND THEIR RATIONAL BELIEFS

IRRATIONAL

1. I am totally and personally responsible for my alcoholism.
2. I can't drink.
3. I can't stop drinking.
4. I drank because of (my job, my spouse, my childhood, etc. etc.)
5. I should be upset about this awful disease!

RATIONAL

1. No one is responsible

Signed:
BERYL CARDY
Addiction Counsellor

B.C. Native Women's Society Workshops

The B.C. Native Women's Society will be holding workshops here, at the Port Alberni Friendship Centre, on March 8th and 9th. Due to cut-back on their funding, they won't be able to have Tommy Water's to speak on the 8th, unless he comes on his own, so I will be getting in touch with him, anyway if I could get his address. I hope he gets the Ha-Shilth-Sa, so he would know about these workshops.

I will be needing billetter's to billet these women who will be coming for these workshops. So if you want to billet these women, let the

Friendship Centre staff know. I will be leaving on the 7th to go to the workshops that the Legal Aid Society are having in Victoria. Saanich people are having workshops on the 15th and 16th, so I will be over there. On the 18th and 19th I will be in Alert Bay and on the 20th I will be in Port Hardy. I will be leaving again on the 25th and 26th for Courtenay to another workshop.

Getting back to the B.C. Native Women's Society, I want to let you know that I will be writing letters to all the bands I've wrote to, later

on.
Judy Joseph
Women's Worker

Thank you
The Ha-ho-payuk Society would like to thank Mr. Jack Georg for the generous donation of books given to the school. They will be of great use to the students and teachers for projects, reference, etc. Kleco, Kleco.

Life is a Trial

Life is just a Trial on Earth
Right from the day of Birth
Life can be shared with those
Who can love one another

From Mother-Father-Sister-Brother.

Mothers who give birth
Give those babies a Trial on Earth
They go through a way of Life
Just the way we do.

They'll soon leave this world
To a place they'll never hurt
No one knows where
But they'll be there.

We'll soon meet again
Where we'll never part
For centuries and centuries to come
We'll go our own way

From day to day.

We're put down to rest
In our very best.
Thanks to Mother,
Who gave us Birth
To have a small Trial on Earth.

April Mae Lucas.



Wesley Sampson Robinson.

Baby Clinic

The next baby clinic at the Friendship Centre will be on Wednesday, March 12 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. The Public Health Nurse will be there to give vaccinations, weigh your baby and answer any questions.

CONGRATULATIONS

Born to Vincent and Sybil Robinson on January 27, 1980, a son, 9 lb. 5/2 oz., Wesley Sampson Robinson. The grandparents are Sampson and Helen Robinson and Wesley and Ramona Gus.

PREGNANT?

Plan to attend early prenatal class on February 28th (Thursday) at 7:30 p.m. in the Health Office, 4711 Elizabeth St. The class will focus on nutrition and early prenatal care. Other dates for classes this year (1980) are March 20, March 27, April 17 and April 24. For more information phone 724-1281.



Mr. & Mrs. James Gallic at their Indian Wedding — 1955.

Happy 25th Anniversary & ALOHA

TO MOM AND DAD

A Happy 25th Anniversary to James and Jan Gallic on February 5th.

From your family: Mike & Debbie, Jim & Wendy, Jason & Diane, Lisa and grandchildren.

Jim and Jan will be going to Hawaii at the beginning of March, an anniversary present from their family. Aloha!



February 5th, 1955 Jan & James Gallic with James' parents, Jeff and Jessie Gallic.

Indian Education Committee

By MRS. ELAINE LAUDER Secretary-Treasurer

The Indian Education Awareness Committee is a local non-profit citizens organization which works to promote Native Indian concerns in School District No. 70, serving the Alberni Valley. The committee works closely with the District No. 70 School Board through the office of the Home School Co-ordinator.

The projects this committee have been engaged in are:

1. The first and most important project is the forming of the "George Clutesi Scholarship Fund." This fund was started to try and combat the high drop-out rate of Native Indian students. We hope to provide a goal for the Native Indian students, which would improve both their marks and their attendance. The committee is busy raising this fund in hopes that it will be self-supporting in the future.

2. In keeping with its overall objective to promote understanding between

native and non-native residents of the region, the Indian Education Awareness Committee has planned April Ethnic Month. This month of April is to be known as "Maanulath", which means a line of hosting reservations, which are all equal from Neah Bay, Washington to the West Coast of Vancouver Island and to Alert Bay. The shopping mall is booked for the month of April to display arts and crafts of Indian artists, carvers, painters, basket makers and Native Indian dancers from Neah Bay, Washington to the West Coast of Vancouver Island and Alert Bay. Many artists will demonstrate their talents and offer their arts and crafts for sale. On the 26th of April, the Awareness Committee will offer dinner at Echo Centre at a set price per plate, with the proceeds to go towards the "George Clutesi Scholarship Fund." We are looking for two people to volunteer to co-ordinate and fill our program for "Maanulath" month. Any volunteers will be ap-

preciated.

3. The committee has hired Bernice Touchie to commence working on our Cultural Research project, as of February 18, 1980. She has gained a lot of experience doing the same project at Neah Bay, Wash., so she will be very valuable to our committee. She is very anxious to begin this project for us.

4. We are setting up plans for our Grad Dinner. We have sent letters to all 13 bands with no response so far. We hope to hear from those bands who have grads, as we would appreciate their help with arranging this dinner, with no personal contribution from the grads. We would appreciate any support from anyone on any of these projects.

5. The committee is also running a raffle to raise money for the grad dinner. The prizes are first prize, a woven basket donated by Josephine Thompson; second prize, two lamps donated by Billy Stewart; third prize, a wall hanging by Dorothy Cootes.

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Fond Memories



Jessie Hamilton loaned the Ha-Shilth-Sa this photo which was taken at a family picnic at Sproat Falls, back in the 1920's. Standing in the back are: Hughie "Jiggs" Watts holding Lawrence Watts, Tommy Watts holding Ruth Watts, May Ross, Cecil George, Walter Watts. In the middle are Annie Watts holding Jessie, Dan Watts, Lizzie Gallic, Lucy George, Grace Watts, Agnes Sam, Nessie Watts. In the front are: Edna Watts, Violet Hamilton, Cecil and Lucy George's baby, Beatrice George, Jimmy George and Ernest Lauder reading the comics.

IN MEMORY OF JOE CHARLES

Man is a success who has lived well,
Laughed often, Loved much,
Who has gained the respect of man
And of children, never lacked
Appreciation for Family or Friends,
Never fail to express it.
Who looked for the best in others
And gave the best he had.

Remembered by:
Margaret Gus
Janet Valenzuela & Family
Feb. 25, 1980

IN MEMORY OF TONY GUS

The unchanging Love of God
Is a powerful, wonderful one,
So wander no longer in darkness.
Let not your return be delayed
For the door to God is wide open
To welcome you back.

Remembered by
Janet Valenzuela & Family
.. Feb. 25, 1980.