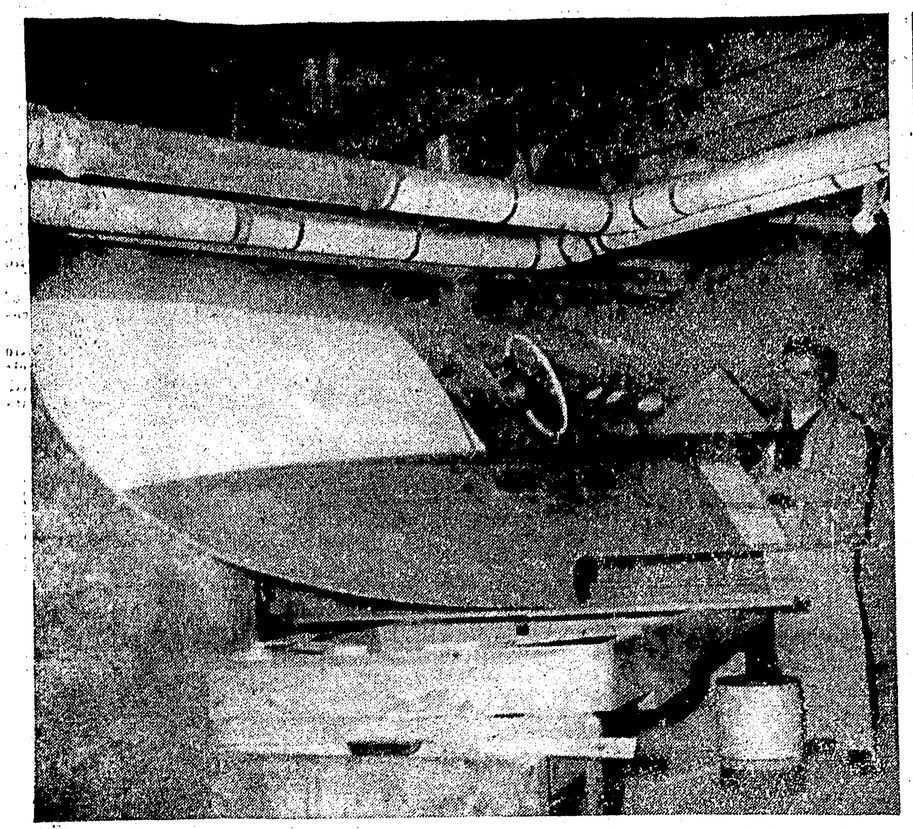

MIKE WAYMAN is shown with his nearly completed hydroplane "Buzzard." Decking for the craft, built in the Wayman basement by Mike himself, is almost finished. Otto Kniepkamp and Dave Martin gave Mike a hand with the decking and Mike says his hydro will be ready for the next race. —Photo by Gladys Baldwin.

PROPWASH

Sailing fraternity takes advantage of better weather, stiff breezes

By GLADYS BALDWIN

Local sailing enthusiasts have been taking advantage of the occasional fine weather and stiff breezes.

The red-sailed "Sword" skippered by **N. A. Beketov** has been out on her usual beat around the harbor. A new addition to the 19-foot auxiliary sloop this year is a Fairway echo sounder.

Good to a depth of 100 feet, the sounder is operated by flashlight batteries. It will be used on all Mr. Beketov's usual cruises.

The "Wandon" built and skippered by **Don Griffey** also has been out and around the harbour. She has had 900 pounds of lead ballast added to her and seems to handle better.

New addition to the sailing fraternity is **John Ewen** with a 16-foot boat with centreboard. He's tried her out in the harbor and up Tuck Inlet but has his eye on a trip to Porcher Island. She has a beam of 46 inches, her mast is 21 feet and she carries 60 square feet of sail.

Two sailors who haven't had a chance to try out their boats yet are **R. W. Lewis** and **T. A. Harris.**

Pretty close to his two-year estimate on the time it would take him to build the 29-foot motor-sailer, Mr. Lewis expects to have her in the water in about two weeks. She will be running as a powerboat this summer with rigging and masts to be left until fall. Installation of the 9-foot long rudder, which is being fibreglassed, will take place this week.

T. A. Harris and son **Tommy** have been spending a lot of time and energy on "Topolobampo", scraping and painting and getting her rigging ready. I understand daughter **Sheila** has had a hand in the painting too. It won't be long before she's running before a North Coast breeze again.

Robert McBride has a 17 foot cruiser almost ready to launch. He's using the Glen-L design "Sea-Knight". Started just before Christmas last year, Mr. McBride hopes to get her in the water this weekend. She'll be powered with a 35-horsepower motor.

Its "Lakelse here we come!" for the **W. E. Bonds.** In the finishing stages is a 16-foot riverboat they plan to use up at the Lake. Power will be supplied by a 5-hp motor that Mrs. Bond can handle comfortably herself. Mr. Bond says **Swede Morse** did all the building and he did all the unimportant little jobs like sawing and gluing little pieces in. It doesn't matter much who did what, it sounds like a lot of fun.

A crude 18-foot homemade boat, powered with a homemade sail and rowed with homemade oars recently arrived at Pointer Island lighthouse near Bella Bella, on the way to Ocean Falls from Vancouver Island according to word received by District Marine Agent N. A. Beketov.

L. D. Bigelow, lighthouse keeper told Mr. Beketov the owner was of Finnish descent and he had been rowing and sailing for three weeks. The craft had no conveniences and there was no shelter from the weather except a tarpaulin.

Otto Kniepkamp tried out his new racing hull at Taylor Lake last Sunday. It's the McCrea hull that **Mike Wayman** was racing in the first races. The only things is—will it still be able to race after all the passengers it had on Sunday? **D. B. Martin, E. P. Stewart, Norman Kinslor** and its owner all tried it out.

Out of town visitors at the Prince Rupert Rowing and Yacht Club have come from as far away as Catalina Island, off the California coast. From the sunny south was the "Valinda" with W. R. Hervey Jr. skippering her. She was making for Ketchikan. The "Hiawatha" from Bremerton Yacht Club, Seattle and a new Chris Craft making her first trip. "The Billi Ken" skippered by **A. J. Karlsson** with first mate **Terry Karlsson.** The "Hiawatha" was bound for Juneau and the Billi Ken for Spenard, Alaska.

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NOTICE

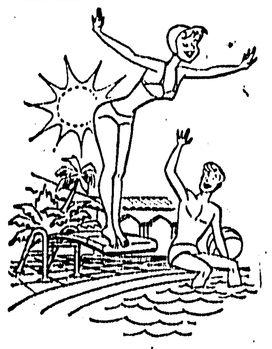
of a Public Hearing to be held in respect to St. Joseph's Academy 338 West 4th Ave.

Public notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Prince Rupert will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on June 16, 1959 in the Council Chambers, City Hall to consider re-zoning Lots 15, 16 and 17, Block 1, Section 5, St. Joseph's Academy—338 West 4th Avenue from "A" Residential zone to "B" Apartment zone.

All persons interested in this matter will be afforded an opportunity to be heard.

City Hall, June 10, 1959.

D. N. WILSON, Acting City Clerk.



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MOVIE COLUMN

Hollywood hit by lack of talent

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—The film industry's biggest headache is not television or the sagging box office. It's the star shortage.

That was underlined again with the cancelling of "Bachelor's Baby," which Dick Powell was to produce and direct for 20th Century-Fox. Reason: The studio couldn't find a female star to appear opposite Bing Crosby.

The script was all set to go, but now the film is postponed indefinitely. Bing long has had a policy of insisting on strong names to co-star with him. Fox wanted him to take a lesser-known for "Say One For Me" but he held out for Debbie Reynolds.

One of the few times he agreed to be the sole star of a picture was "Man On Fire." It was a flop and Bing is more firm than ever in his conviction that he should have one or more top names opposite his.

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A British movie about Hollywood? It could happen. Robert Kirsch, book editor of the Los Angeles Times, reports interest from an English film company in his new novel, In the Wrong Rain. The story is about a business manager for film stars who gets involved in a romance with a young acting hopeful.

Kirsch knows Hollywood—he has scouted film properties for Yul Brynner's firm. He also knows the writing business and he teaches creative writing at the University of California at Los Angeles.

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Was it worth all that? That question will be asked about The Horse Soldiers, for which John Wayne and William Holden got $1,500,000 and 40 per cent of the profits. The answer will come when the movie hits the theatres this summer, and it may well be yes.

Month-old bear tries hitch-hiking

ST. ROMUALD, Que. (CP)—Gerard Rochon picked up a hitch-hiking bear Wednesday, and he doesn't know what to do with it.

Mr. Rochon said he was returning to his grocery store in this South Shore community a few miles from Quebec when he saw a tiny bear sitting in the middle of the highway.

He stopped the car, opened the door, and the bear jumped in. The bear, he said, seems to like civilization more than the uncertain life in the woods.

Mr. Rochon's furry friend appears to be about a month old. Until the mother claims it, or authorities come up with a better suggestion, the bear will be on the grocer's house guest.

MOTOR MAIDS

Engineers Design Safety Into Roads
By Martha Johnson
Dodge Safety Consultant

"Drivers who skillfully and intelligently use roads as planned by traffic engineers have better assurance of safe travel and contribute their share to the comfort and convenience of fellow road users," according to Fred W. Hurd, director of the Bureau of Highway Traffic at Yale University.

"As a result of scientific studies of road accidents and congestion made by traffic engineers, we can devise better methods of road design and traffic control," he says.

"But, the human factor still is one of the highway engineers' greatest problems.

"For example, acceleration and deceleration lanes are provided at many intersections to smooth the flow of traffic. Yet some drivers use these supplemental lanes improperly or not at all.

"We use precise calculations to time traffic signals based on traffic volumes and the average time required for a vehicle to pass through the intersection. But drivers who fail to start up promptly when the light turns green contribute to a 'back-up' of traffic which may extend over the entire period of peak traffic flow."

Traffic signals timed in a "progressive" manner also are misused, according to Hurd. "Impatient drivers who exceed the posted speed cause increased hazard and delay for all traffic, and gain little or nothing in travel time.

"Lane straddling, improper parking and many other thoughtless acts by motorists and pedestrians also help destroy the effectiveness of safety and efficiency designed into the road by the engineer," claims Hurd.

BLACKWOOD on BRIDGE

By EASLEY BLACKWOOD

It's not so bad when Miss Brash bids her head off on hands she is going to play herself. She plays the cards very astutely. But her bidding and Mr. Muzzy's play represents an extremely lead profit potential.

When the dummy went down after Mr. Meek's opening lead of the king of diamonds, Mr. Muzzy was delighted. "You can relax, partner," he said happily.

Having played with Mr. Muzzy before, Miss Brash did not take this cheering remark too seriously. What was it that Mr. Muzzy liked so well about the dummy hand? It was the singleton club. He loves to ruff losers. It is his greatest pleasure to find a singleton (a sneak, he calls it) in his hand and another in the dummy—so that he can cross-ruff the entire hand out.

Mr. Muzzy

Here is the way he figured this deal—one spade loser, two diamond losers, period. He counted on no club losers because dummy had a lone club and "some trumps."

The defenders took the first two tricks and led a third diamond which Mr. Muzzy ruffed. He immediately laid down the ace of clubs and ruffed a small club with dummy's trey of hearts.

Now he led the last diamond off the board and ruffed it in his hand. Mr. Champion discarding a spade.

Next another club was ruffed with the nine of hearts in dummy. This was followed by a small spade to the ten in the closed hand. Mr. Meek won with the ace and fired back a heart to dummy's now-singleton queen.

The king of spades was cashed but when the queen was led Mr. Champion ruffed. Mr. Muzzy overruffed and picked up the remaining trumps. But he still had a club loser and down he went.

"You can relax, partner, I'm only going down one," mimicked Mr. Champion.

If Miss Brash had played this hand she would have realized that the chief function of dummy's heart holding was to furnish an entry to the spade suit after trumps were out.

South dealer
East-West vulnerable

NORTH
Miss Brash
♠ K Q J 9 5
♥ Q 9 3
♦ 10 6 4 2
♣ 8

WEST
Mr. Meek
♠ A 7 2
♥ 4 2
♦ K Q J 7
♣ K 7 5 2

EAST
Mr. Champion
♠ 8 6 3
♥ J 8 7
♦ A 9 5
♣ Q 10 9 3

SOUTH
Mr. Muzzy
♠ 10 4
♥ A K 10 6 5
♦ 8 3
♣ A J 6 4

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 ♥	All Pass		

Opening lead: King of diamonds.

She would have cashed the ace and king of trumps beginning at trick four and then led spades until the ace was knocked out. Now she could win any return, enter dummy with the queen of hearts and pitch all of her club losers on the established spades.

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NEW STAMP ON SEAWAY

Post Office expecting record rush for covers

OTTAWA (CP)—The post office department here is expecting the biggest demand for first-day covers it ever has experienced.

On June 26, the day the St. Lawrence Seaway will be opened officially by the Queen and President Eisenhower, the post office expects to meet demands from philatelists for some 100,000 envelopes bearing cancellations of the five-cent stamp commemorating the opening.

Another 80,000 orders for first-day covers are anticipated for the special Royal Tour issue June 18, the day the Queen and Prince Philip arrive in Canada for their six-week visit. It also is of five-cent denomination.

One of the biggest previous volumes ever handled was in October, 1957, when a special stamp was issued on the occasion of Queen Elizabeth's last Canadian visit. Some 73,000 went out from Ottawa headquarters then.

Stamps cancelled on date of issue have particular value to philatelists.

The June 18 stamp depicts the Queen in a painting by Italian artist Pietro Annigoni in which she wears the blue velvet mantle, collar and star of the Order of the Garter. The stamp is 1½ inches high and one inch wide.

In the June 26 seaway stamp, symbolic links surround the Canadian maple leaf and the American eagle. An almost identical four-cent stamp will be issued simultaneously in the U.S.

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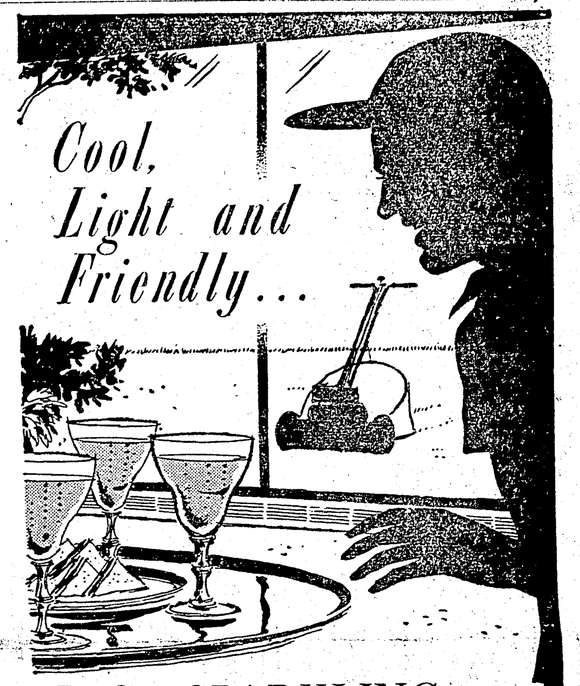

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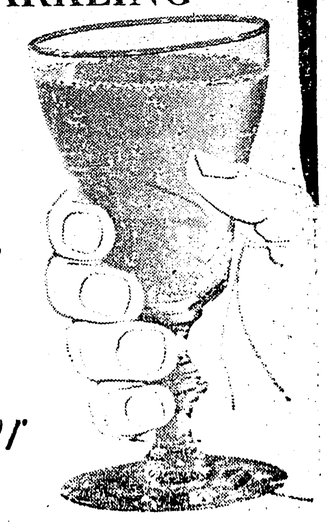

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