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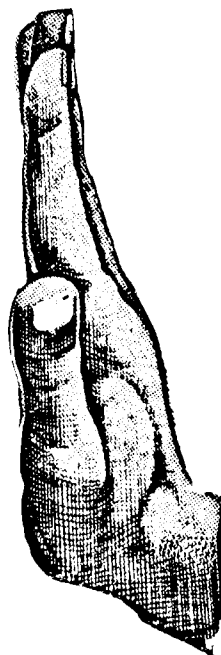
Your Evening(Ticket) Includes:

RICH

- *Limousine Pickup Home to Hotel
- *Half Bottle Champagne in Limo
- *Cocktail Reception
- *Dinner at Le Meridian
- *Roundtrip Transfer Hotel to Theatre
- *Performance of Les Miserables
- *After-Theatre Reception
- *Les Miserables Cassette
- *Gift
- *Personalized Poster of Les Miserables
Signed by Premier Bill Vander Zalm
- *Limousine Hotel to Home
- *Video of Gala Evening
- *Lotterie Speciale

POOR

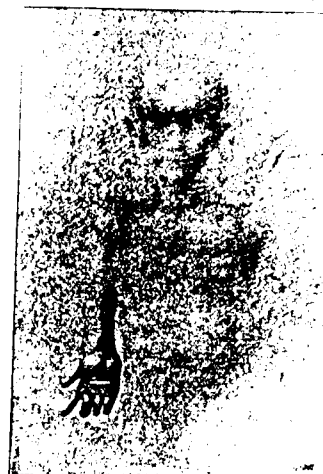
- *Lousy Public Transit System
- *Half a bottle of milk per week
- *Lousy reception by overworked welfare workers
- *No dinner
- *Roundtrip Bus Ticket to Food Bank and Back
- *Real Life Performance of Les Mis Every Day
- *Another Lonely Night in a Drafty Apartment
- *Background Noise from Cardboard Thin Walls
- *No Gifts for Kid's Birthday
- *Personalized Letter from Vanderzalm telling you that you are cut off
welfare because you are now considered "employable"
- *Eviction from Hotel back to the street
- *Lasting childhood memories of poverty and disappointment and hunger
- *Lottery is your only hope



"When I give food
to the poor,
they call me a saint.

When I ask why the
poor have no food,
they call me a
communist."

- Dom Helder Camara



On August 13th, we learned that Vanderzalm had sent invitations to 100 wealthy socreds, asking for their support. The event, priced at \$2,500 for what is listed under "Your Evening Ticket Includes", was blandly referred to in media reports as "a Social Credit Fundraiser".

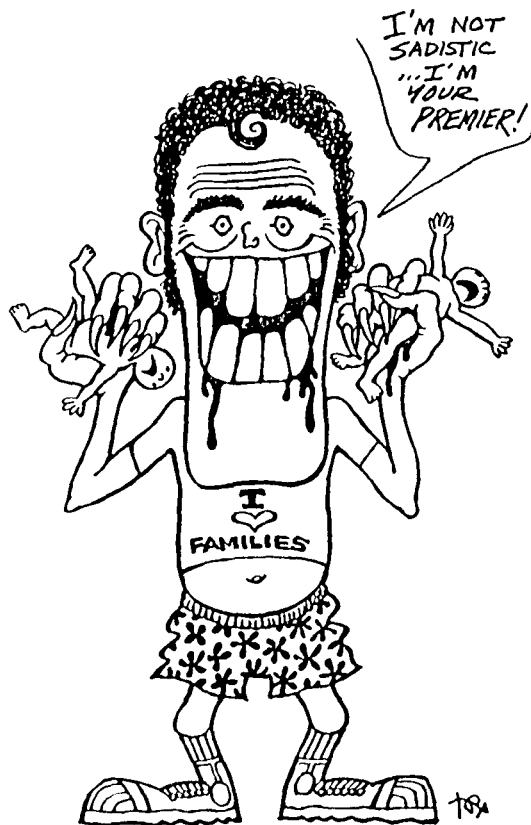
Vanderzalm's letter to each invitee said, in part, "...your efforts on behalf of those in need is a shining example of generosity..."

End Legislated Poverty supporters couldn't believe it. Vanderzalm was using *Les Miserables*, a burning exposure of how the rich treat the poor, saying only that "(it) is a play that illustrates the courage & perseverance of man against all odds"

ELP was again outside the Queen Elizabeth Theatre on August 24th, handing out information stating that poverty was alive and well, here and now. "We are demonstrating because Bill Vanderzalm is using a performance of *Les Miserables*, at a ticket cost of \$2500 each, for a personal re-election fundraiser. \$2500 is the same amount of money a welfare mother gets to feed 2 children for five months," said a spokesperson.

75% of the money spent on political donations can be written off at tax time. B.C. taxpayers end up footing the bill for most of the evening's costs.

Victor Hugo was a member of government in France who worked all his life to end legislated poverty. It took him twenty years to write the play "*Les Miserables*", using his experiences with the suffering and degradation of the poor to instigate social change. In Victor Hugo: A Tumultuous Life, he is quoted as saying in Parliament:



"We who sit in this chamber bear a special responsibility to rid this land of poverty...I'm one of those who thinks that poverty can and must be destroyed." (Pg.153)

Roneen Marcoux, an ELP member, said, "Using the play *Les Miserables* is an obscene display of callousness towards the poor in British Columbia. It is ironic that in B.C. 215,959 people suffer on welfare rates that are 40-60% below the poverty line while our rich premier rents limousines, supplies champagne, and gives away prizes to his rich friends."

"Victor Hugo", Dayle from the Downtown Deposit Project, made a brief statement about why he refused to participate in the Vanderzalm's Gala Evening and joined End Legislated Poverty's protest.

David Lewis...

"...rather than face increasing pain, incontinence and dementia, Lewis ended his life." He had AIDS and was withering away; partial paralysis from a stroke, growing tumours affecting vision and his ability to think.

Lewis was a former director of the Vancouver Persons with AIDS Society and helped found the Vancouver Chapter of ACT-UP. He'd raised international awareness of the devastating nature of life of AIDS' sufferers by admitting he'd helped eight people commit suicide - people dying of AIDS.

"If you are not terminally ill and you kill yourself, that is suicide."

"If you are terminally ill and you are looking for release from the pain and take your life, that is not suicide. That is euthanasia." D. Lewis

...and the timing of his death

David Lewis ended his life Aug. 24, and it was also on that fateful Friday ACT-UP (AIDS Coalition To Unleash Power) took the message in the death of David Lewis to the streets.

They'd learned of Vander Zalm's Gala and End Legislated Poverty's news release prompted a call to ELP's office. ACT-UP planned to get arrested. Their fight involves getting government funding for experimental drugs but the Socreds refuse. Looking back it seems obvious that David Lewis saw August 24th as the best day to die. When he calls on people "noted for community donations and interest" to spend \$2,500 each to pay for his re-election, Vander Zalm spits on people dying of a disease that his government refuses to include in its list of ones entitled to medication under the province's medical plan.

The following article is the kind of thing Vanderzalm and his supporters would use to feel justified in saying "be patient"... "a vaccine is practically there"... when today's AIDS sufferers will be dead "in a few years".

AIDS vaccine is 'practically there'

News Services

TORONTO — An AIDS vaccine may be just a few years away, a researcher says.

"Out of a feeling of total despair two or three years ago, there is a feeling that a vaccine is practically there," said Michael Sela, chairman of Israel's Weizmann Institute.

But Dr. Jonas Salk, the father of the polio vaccine, cautioned that the AIDS virus has "extraordinary intelligence" and said the polio virus was "simple" by comparison.

Thirty Dutch AIDS victims have begun testing a drug that researchers in Kenya say can eliminate most symptoms of the disease within four weeks.

The drug Kemron, whose basic ingredient is alpha interferon, was developed by the Kenya Medical Institute with companies in the U.S. and Japan.

When your frame of reference is set and bounded with dollar signs, this is your answer. ACT-UP exploded.

They were outraged over the socred attitude of pinching pennies while people are dying horrible deaths. With chants of "AIDS deaths every hour Blood on the hands of those in power" and mock-up tombstones, the ACT-UP demonstrators spit on the socreds as they filed from their chartered buses into the Theatre.

ELP members had worked for weeks to organize our demonstration and had, after several phone calls back and forth with ACT-UP, agreed on some basic guidelines. There is a larger political picture with two elections in a few months. People have to change their minds before they will change their vote. The result from ACT-UP losing it was spread all over the media. They were pictured as an offensive, vulgar, violent bunch with no agenda, no goals, irrational. Not a bit of reasoning behind their demo made it into any media. Sensational actions are just that..great coverage for the next 2 or 3 minutes on the news, but the whole melodrama was presented to the benefit of Vanderzalm who was made to look like a victim!

ACT-UP may be patting themselves on the back, but the media showed Zalm's frozen smile, spoke of a "sacred fundraiser", showed horrified theatre-goers and the story of 'this is what "free enterprise" has to put up with.'

The reality of poverty, the reality of hopelessness of poor people and AIDS victims alike is of little concern to Vanderzalm and all faithful socrads.

In the Art of War, leaders must maintain the level of individuals. That's the point of structure; otherwise people degenerate into a mob.

By PAUL R TAYLOR

B.C. Transit:

We are writing this letter with hopes that you may solve a problem for us. We have many elderly and handicapped people who find it impossible to access Crab Beach (Portside Park). The design of the overpass structure to the park is far too steep to allow access to the waterfront area.

At the last meeting of the Senior Support Group at Carnegie Centre,

watch out for
that chameleon
Harcourt!!



KRIEGER 1990
The Province

we discussed this problem and have the following recommendation:

THAT either a #1 Beach or #50 Gastown bus extend their route to include the Beach area at the north end of Main Street, which would afford residents of the area real access and a chance to enjoy the beautiful, green, waterfront park.

We hope you will consider this proposal in a serious manner, and look forward to your early response.

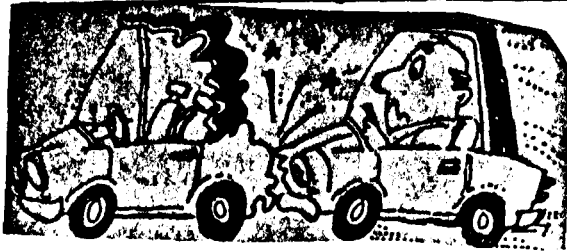
Barb Gudmundson

ON TUESDAY, JULY 31st, AT 2:00 pm, AN 84 YEAR-OLD MAN WAS RUN OVER BY A TRUCK ON THE CORNER OF MAIN & HASTINGS. IF YOU SAW THIS INCIDENT, PLEASE CONTACT BHARBARA GUDMUNDSON BY LEAVING A MESSAGE AT CARNEGIE'S FRONT DESK.

Have you been hit or almost hit at the corner of Main & Hastings? Is there anything that totally frustrates you or makes you afraid when you attempt to cross at this corner? Anyone who has a true story about traffic-related incidents at Main & Hastings, please submit your story to Paul Taylor in the Carnegie Newsletter office. All stories may be used to attempt solving the problems pedestrians face on this corner. If requested, names will not be used.

在七月卅一日星期二下午二時十分左右，
一位年約 84 歲 老人 在 紐街 (MAIN ST) 及 葛士打東街
(HASTINGS ST) 的一輛 過車 撞倒 該 老人 致 死亡。
如有 希望 若 有人 目 擊 此 宗 交通 意外 發生 請 到 該
中心 詢問 處 可 與 該 處 密 查。

謝 志 偉 紀
利 治 中
Charles Cooke



Vancouver Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), in response to recent events concerning First Nations in Canada, is organizing a public prayerful vigil to be held on the first Friday of every month on the south steps of the Vancouver Art Gallery at Robson & Hornby, beginning Sept. 7, 4:15pm - 5:30pm.

We affirm Native People's aboriginal title to land, right to self-determination and respect for Native rights. We also affirm our historic commitment to resolving conflict non-violently, understanding there can be no true peace without justice.

In the spirit of dialogue and faithful witness, we invite you and your organization to join us. Please participate in our expression of solidarity and concern with Native Peoples. Please spread the word to others in your community.

Mayor & Members of City Council
City of Vancouver

17 August 1990

Ladies & Gentlemen:

As you know, most of the residents in the downtown eastside don't drive. Many are poor, elderly, and some have physical problems which have slowed them down. Some are in wheelchairs or need crutches or canes. We have people from Triage, the Look-out and many residential hotels, rooming houses and low-income housing.

Educating people regarding pedestrian safety is one part of the solutions to the problems pedestrians are faced with in the downtown eastside. The challenges vehicular traffic create are not created by the residents of this community. Driver's convenience create problems for all of our residents: 1. Noise pollution; 2. quality of air; and 3. street hazards. The mental and physical difficulties all of these things create are wrong because they destroy residents' quality of life and do harm.

There are now approximately 300,000 cars, trucks and buses coming into Vancouver per day. The widening of the Barnet Highway in Burnaby and the elimination of parking lanes on Hastings Street in Burnaby will create much worse conditions soon.

I realize it is not possible to immediately stop all traffic, except public transit, travelling through the downtown eastside; however, there are a number of things that could be done to alleviate the problem in part.

- 1) Create a situation whereby turn movements, if allowed, are only made with a signal phase. This allows specific time for pedestrians to use the intersection.
- 2) The pedestrian walk lights should be longer to allow our elderly and handicapped better opportunity to safely cross. Main Street presently allows 22.9 seconds. Hastings Street allows 33.77 seconds from the beginning of 'walk' to amber light.

Right turn movements eliminate pedestrian right-of-way because drivers will turn whenever they believe they have the chance, even if it means they make pedestrians wait in the middle of the crosswalk to allow them to turn. Also the pedestrians attempt to walk around the front or the rear of the vehicle stopped in the middle of the crosswalk, waiting to finish their right turn.

Left turn movements with no left turn signal phase create further difficulties and confusion which also eliminate pedestrian right-of-way.

As I travel north on Main Street, I go past Keefer. There is a left turn signal phase there, and on Pender another left turn signal phase. Hastings, the busiest and most dangerous of all corners in our district, has no turning signals.

We are asking that you:

1. Quickly install turning signals to allow turning vehicles their time to turn, and
2. Lengthen the walk time allowed to pedestrians.

Thank you for your consideration. I await your response,

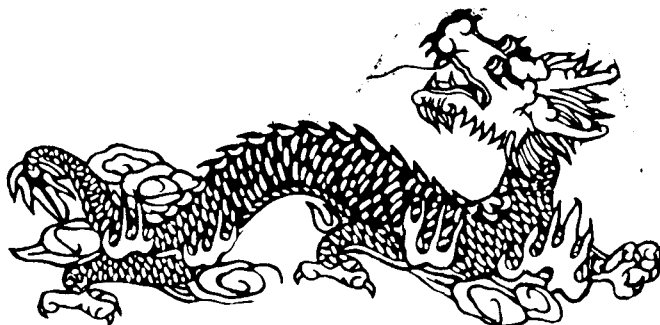
Sincerely,

Barb Gudmundson

For the Community Relations Committee, Carnegie Centre.

With time gone by
 I sit & sigh
 A cup of coffee once more
 I sit & wonder 'Where's the door?'
 My friends & I seem to get bye
 And all we can do
 Is give it another try
 But why.
 They gave me another chance
 It's like a new romance
 My friends & I sit & sigh
 We have each other.
 That's more than most
 So lift your coffee to a toast
 Remember the moments
 As time. ...gone bye.

psuedonym



STEIN VALLEY FESTIVAL:

Maybe you heard that blockades and Native Land claims and threats of counter actions and so on all made the festival organizers move it to Tsawassen. A number of seniors had committed themselves to doing volunteer work at the festival. A trip had been planned, people had jobs that they'd signed up to do and it was even easier with bus access to the area.

Two issues ago, there was an article reporting on the Downtown Eastside Seniors day-long workshop. The information on which it was based was one page short. Jack Chalmers, long-time resident, brought in the missing page and it had the following on it:
Notes from the Housing Group -

Goal: To form a Downtown Eastside Seniors Planning Group.

Ideas/Steps:

- form a committee from the community including those already involved;
- involve students, architects, planners, etc.;
- seniors participation, reps from various seniors' groups (Senior = 45+ yrs)
- invite similar planning groups to speak about their process, etc. (COM-PASS(Chilliwack) & North Shore Plan.Gr.)
- seek funding from SIP & New Horizon
- take this goal and suggestions back to our individual groups;
- get support from other senior's housing groups;
- follow up meeting in September.

According to George Nicholas, the Volunteer Co-ordinators there have expressed amazement over the hard-working volunteers from Carnegie. On each day of the event, the Carnegie Seniors did their shifts, then at least one more shift at the same job or elsewhere..sometimes a few had ended the day after working up to 12 hours!

As George said, they met lots of wonderful people and everyone seemed to have had a great time.

As the Co-ordinators have relayed, they want as many Carnegie Volunteers as possible for next year's festival. This request came within 24 hours of the end of this year's!

a have-not child upon a curb
 in clothes of filth and rags
 cursing at the passersby
 blowing paper bags
 his dreams are like the paper bags
 they grow and then explode
 submitted by a patron & volunteer

Editor:

"It's time for another episode of the exciting quiz show, The Social Credit Environment.

The question for contestant #1 is:

MacMillan Blodel was fined last autumn for using pesticides too close to the Mamin River on Graham Island in the Queen Charlottes. How much?

Contestant number 1:

"I know Environment Minister John Reynolds has been talking about cracking down on polluters. It must be, say \$50,000."

Quiz Master: I'm sorry, you're not even close. The BC government fined MacBlo \$100 for that infraction.

The question for contestant #2 is:

The 1982 BC Waste Management Act requires all polluters to report any spilled chemicals or pollutants to the Ministry of Environment "in accordance with the regulations". What has been the result over eight years?

Contestant number 2:

"Well I presume many, many reportings and many, many fines."

Quiz Master: I'm sorry, you're wrong as well. In the past eight years the government has yet to come up with any regulations so there is yet to be any legal requirement to report any spills."

If you're like me, you're tired of the many shortcomings of Social Credit when it comes to the environment. Our environmental laws must ensure that the fines levied reflect the cost of the damage done to the environment and also serve as a deterrent to other firms. Last year, in a community newspaper column, Mike Harcourt emphasized "bringing British Columbians together to achieve a balance between the economy and the environment." Peter McAllister, chairperson of the Sierra Club, has emphasized that "Our forests can't afford consensus - they need legislation with teeth."

I agree with Mr. McAllister. In the 1988-9 fiscal year the amount of land logged in our province equalled 675 Stanley Parks. Isn't it about time to pull the plug and cancel the game show, "The Social Credit Environment"?

Hi Paul (from Lillian & George)

Herman Litsky



I was just sitting at our kitchen table after reading our Newsletter and as I was looking out our living room window thoughts of my Aunt & my childhood entered my mind.

When I was small I had a green plaid dress that I really liked, but my Aunt said she wouldn't wear green or blue or have it in her house.

This shocked me and I asked her why, 'cause I was so small. This was her answer: "The greens of the trees & grasses, also the blues of the sky, can never be matched by man," and as I looked out the window it came back to me and I agree, it's true. There are so many blues & greens on the horizon near our place that it amazes me every time I look at them.

When we drive into Kamloops, seeing deer, fox, groundhogs & rabbits & cows grazing everywhere it seems that we were too busy to really take time out to look at nature. Our feet seem to have led us to Logan Lake if for nothing else but to take time and smell the roses. It's worth it to take time

Dear Folks,

A letter to the editor came from Herman Litsky, who's hot to trot to get into politics. He's the Liberal nominee for the riding that Emery Barnes is MLA for.

Litsky challenged both Barnes and Bruce Strachan, the sacred minister responsible for youth, to a "debate" on the current situation: Youth and social services; Youth and the courts and Youth and anything else.

Barnes, NDP, declined, saying that while he could see that Litsky was trying to build a political career, "I don't see the merit in discussing his philosophy and mine unless we are in a contest."

Litsky then wrote again, saying how miffed he was about Barnes' saying no and proceeded to list all the failings of the current situation under (and getting worse) the sacreds.

In practically every sentence Litsky implies that Barnes is doing nothing to change anything. No doubt this would constitute the entire tone of any "debate"; the sacreds are almost excused for their God-pounding programs of privatization...a polite "Prevention and counselling is not the professional purview of the Social Credit government."

It seems to me that if Litsky had genuine commitment to youth he would work towards improving the systems & attitudes of people, rather than attacking Emery Barnes for not producing the miracles that Litsky seems to think he, personally, can pull off.

By PAULR TAYLOR



LATIN-NATIVE FRIENDSHIP FESTIVAL



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
OPPENHEIMER PARK
(POWELL AND JACKSON STREETS)

11:30 AM - 7:30 PM

- LATIN AMERICAN MUSIC ■
- NATIVE DRUMMING AND DANCING ■
- FOLKLORIC DANCING ■
- ARTS AND CRAFT DISPLAYS ■
- TRADITIONAL FOOD ■



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CARNEGIE MUSIC FESTIVAL

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5th
CRAIG BEACH • 12 NOON - 8:00 PM* FOLK MUSIC * COUNTRY * JAZZ
* SKITS * DISPLAYS * FREE FOOD

NEW FEATURE:

ENVIRONMENTAL SCAVENGER HUNT.
BRING YOUR RECYCLABLES...
CONTAINERS PROVIDED!ON THE SAME WEEKEND:
LATIN-NATIVE FRIENDSHIP FES
OPPENHEIMER PARK
SUNDAY, SEPT. 2nd 11:30am-7:30pm

My thoughts on the recent crisis in OKA Quebec, in early July, 1990:

Being a Native Indian, of Nisgha ancestry, a member of the Killerwhale Clan.. The feelings I have at present are anger, disbelief and wonder. The federal and provincial governments are disillusioned when it comes to the Native Issue. Premier Zalm does not know what it means to us to have aboriginal rights instated. He refuses to realize that we are tiring of his approach to this matter.

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, who was hiding during the early going of this conflict, as well as Tommy Siddon, Minister of Northern & Indian Affairs, are still trying to figure out what to do. It's quite obvious that they have to move on this important topic..entrenching our rights.

I congratulate Elijah Harper on saying NO! to the Meech Lake accord in the Manitoba Legislature.

If the French in Quebec want to be considered a distinct society then we also have the same right, as we were here long before the white settlers came to this territory (our ancestors lived off this land for thousands of years).

On the topic of hand-outs..when grants are received from the provincial and federal governments to Native Indian reservations it is because they are OBLIGATED to us, since we have been herded or else allocated to reserves by both levels of government, and they open the doors to multi-million dollar corporations in logging, fishing, land developers etc. We were to be a forgotten people in our own land...so they thought!

The lands that these corporations now sit on is Native Land. This is what the federal and provincial governments must acknowledge - not in ten years - NOW.

I respect the non-native community; they should also respect us and realize our point: We are not after your businesses, homes, money, property that you have purchased from the developers, governments, etc..

We need to show patience in regards to getting our point across to the non-native community. I am glad that the first nations of B.C. have not used violence so far in our own struggles.

Why should any government, especially Canada's, condone the use of the Canadian Armed Forces against the first nations? It's beyond my wonder. It would be a complete embarrassment in the eyes of people everywhere. In our national anthem it says we are "strong and free". It should also say "our home is Native Land".

We must be united.

Darryl Watts

Editor:

The Mohawks are not our enemy. Why is the army in Oka? Our true enemy has and will always be poverty, disease, injustice and unequal opportunity. The Mohawks are taking a stand for what is rightfully theirs. Over and over again Indian land has been used without recognition. Land claims have been outstanding for as long as 300 years. Indians have shown extreme patience and consideration regarding compensation to no avail. All human beings are seriously affected by disenfranchisement. Tanks and artillery are not needed.

A true show of government strength will be when they recognize Indian claims as legitimate and binding.

Is there such a monetary and strategic advantage in not hearing the Mohawks? Has it paid off in the past? Can the government hear and act on the remarks of Bishop Tu Tu when he was in Canada? The growing number of confrontations are being spurred by government cuts to Native media and communications.

I repeat: The Mohawks are not the enemy.

Marilyn Seelye

Update on Gassy Jack Intersection

I want to thank you all for supporting the petition I was circulating. It will now be handed over to Jack Chalmers, who will present it to City Hall at the next Special Committee's meeting in September.

Just last week I was almost hit once again at this corner. I called City Hall and talked with Bob in City Engineering. He told me over the phone that this intersection will be improved by the end of Aug. (it was said once before that it'd be done by the end of July).

The improvement will be arrows pointing in the direction that the driver wants to turn, as well as better pedestrian signs. This is all fine for the drivers, but what is needed is a light for pedestrians.

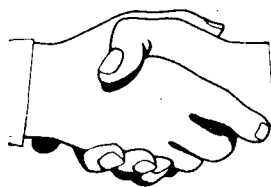
As of right now, August 25, no work is being done at this corner.

By MARGARET PREVOST



Hey Tom Siddon! (Minister of Indian Affairs) It's not so much that Natives have sobered up; fact is they are tired of being pushed around.

We have found our voice and the whole country is starting to hear. We no longer will sit in silence. We've known for a long time that a voice is a powerful tool when you know how to use it!



To Steve Rose..

★ Your letter of apology was very
★ nice, and I appreciate it, but there
★ is a good lesson to learn from this.
★ You know a lot of people who have
★ never ventured down in the slums seem
★ to think that this is the last stop.
★ They go by in their big cars, they
★ have their new homes, good jobs, and
★ they say, "Look at them bums, they
★ never amount to nothing." But that
★ is where they're wrong.

★ At some time in life we have been
★ somebody but the twist of a bottle cap
★ or the high of a substance put us
★ where we are and it's no one's fault
★ but our own. We know this, but I
★ wouldn't give up this life and go back
★ to dress better than the Joneses next
★ door, or have a bigger car or a bigger
★ house than the next door neighbour.
★ The simple reason - down on the skids
★ you dress the way you want to and no-
★ body ridicules you.

★ In other words, the insurance or
★ financial department don't own any-
★ thing we own, not like the upper class
★ people. Everything they own they
★ don't own..the banks or finance do.

★ We're better off with a welfare
★ cheque once a month, believe me. It's
★ called pride and there is lots of it
★ down here.

★ Yours truly,
★ Blacky

★ PS: Don't throw stones at someone in
★ a glass house. You might bust one
★ of your own windows.

Thousands of Vancouver residents have lost their homes

We Need Action Now

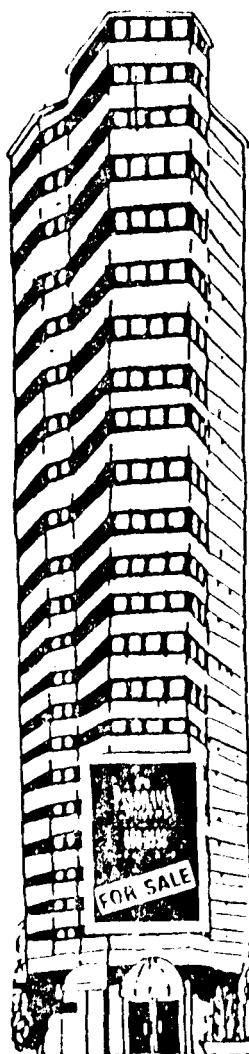
There are people on the Vancouver City Council and members of the Social Credit government who are saying that the housing crisis is over and that things are much better than they were last year.

With a city election slated for November and a provincial election predicted for sometime in the Fall, both Mayor Campbell and the Vander Zalm government are busy congratulating themselves for all the work they have done in housing.

So what are the results of their housing policies ?

- Vancouver now has the unfortunate honour of having the most expensive housing of any city in Canada
- In June of this year the average price of a house in Vancouver was \$237,000.
- The rental housing market has been decimated by demolition and re-development
 - in 1989 the city of Vancouver approved the demolition of 588 rental units.
 - currently there are approximately 700 rental units sitting empty awaiting demolition approval.
 - almost 1300 tenant households have been evicted in the past year.
- Rents continue to escalate as the rental housing stock declines
- Neighbourhoods are changing dramatically in character as owner-occupiers are forced to close secondary suites and are driven from single family homes.

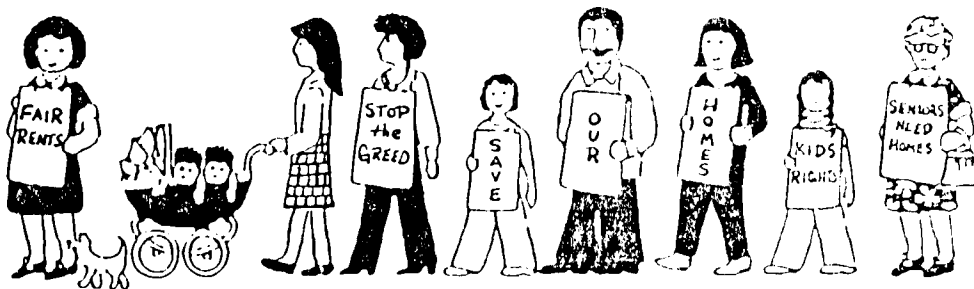
and this in the middle of an affordable housing crisis!



and the greed continues ...

Meanwhile, all across our city developers and land speculators continue to buy up perfectly good and affordable housing, evict people from their homes, board up the vacant buildings, and let the housing go to seed, creating instant ghost towns in our neighbourhoods.

The boarded-up buildings, the empty lots, and the glut of pricey condos are a constant reminder of the failure of Mayor Campbell and his council majority and the Vander Zalm government to put the needs of all Vancouver residents before the blockbusting greed of a few developers.



What can we do?

The present housing situation makes for a rather gloomy picture. But don't despair, the future can be brighter. There are solutions. There is a lot of expertise at the community level. We must ensure that our ideas are heard and acted upon.

We can turn our ideas into reality by getting out to vote for a new city and provincial government that will put people, planning and neighbourhoods before bottom-line profit. If the NPA and Social Credit administrations refuse to change their policies, then it is up to us to change the politicians.

***Let's get together and work to make Vancouver a place
where we can all live:***

a city in which affordable housing is a right not a privilege

This event was organized by the Vancouver Housing Forum, which is a coalition of concerned citizens groups from neighbourhoods across Vancouver.

If you are concerned about affordable housing, if you're facing eviction, if you have had a big rent increase or if you're being affected by the closure of a secondary suite contact the Tenants Rights Coalition. Phone: 255-3099

Literacy program shelved

Literacy Year holds little to celebrate for Mardi Joyce and the tutors and learners from Main Street's storefront literacy centre, Learning Front.

The provincial government recently turned down renewed funding for the two-year-old project, in an action Joyce calls a "slap in the face to learners." Learning Front officially closes down this week.

"My first reaction was just absolute disbelief that in International Literacy Year we would be closing anything down, that we would abandon learners," says Joyce, former head of the centre, said as she sat at an empty desk, surrounded by boxes packed with books that were used by more than 100 Downtown Eastside residents who wanted to learn to read and write.

The centre, which served a community with one of B.C.'s highest illiteracy rates, (more than 40 per cent, according to Statistics Canada), had hoped the provincial government would act on the literacy report it commissioned last year in time to save Learning Front. Among other recommendations, the Provincial Literacy Advisory Committee report suggests the funding of community-based literacy training like Learning Front through college funds. There is currently no funding for literacy centres outside of the school and college systems; Learning Front had been launched in 1988 as a pilot project to train tutors and learners from the community.

"It's very difficult to start a program from scratch," Joyce says. "All that set-up time and effort is basically wasted."

Literacy learner Margaret, (who chose not to reveal her last name), says it was hard to look elsewhere for help after being turned away when Learning Front closed down.

"You have the trust for the tutors there and you have a place to come and learn where you're comfortable," she says. "It's hard to find another place that's going to fill its shoes."



THE LEARNING FRONT



Photo by Janet Smith

Mardi Joyce (left) and student Margaret say they're upset the provincial government has cut off funding to the storefront literacy centre. Learning Front officially moves out this week, leaving many learners and tutors with nowhere to go in International Literacy Year.

Joyce says several of the students have not gone to other centres for help. For many, Learning Front was a necessary first step before entering school programs.

Brent Thompson of the Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology, says the government has applied to the federal government for many cost-sharing literacy projects that will be announced in September.

But Joyce says project and research funding from the federal government is not enough. Her own program, Learning Front, was started as a pilot project, but was refused funding this year because it was no longer considered a pilot. Only the B.C. government through its education ministry can directly fund literacy programs, Joyce says.

She says a system of funding literacy project-to-project prevents a cohesive strategy for the problem.

"I call it a scattershot approach," she says.

Lee Weinstein of Literacy B.C. agrees.

Weinstein says Ontario has many community-based, church basement-type literacy programs to complement the school system. Statistics show only about two per cent of the functionally illiterate population in Canada attend college programs.

The Provincial Literacy Advisory Committee found a need for more literacy programs in B.C. Asked why the province had not acted on the report after six months,

Thompson answered.

"It's been a time of intense planning and sorting out how the money's coming; we want to lay the groundwork for a solid, long-lasting plan."

But it's too late for Learning Front. Some of the students have gone to the third-floor learning centre at Carnegie Community Centre, but Joyce says many were not ready for the change.

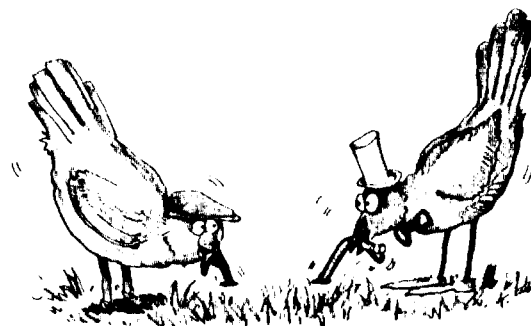
As for the tutors, many of whom were former literacy learners, some have had to return to volunteer tutoring, some have found jobs through the school board, and some are unemployed.

"Here the real magic was not just the literacy aspect," Joyce says. "People in the community that had been unemployed for a long time had work," she said. "We created the hope of breaking the cycle and not having to leave the community in order to do it."

Joyce will pull down Learning Front's sign this week. But even while packing her boxes, she has still had people dropping in through the door on the busy street asking for help.

Sign In The Window

sign on the window
says Learning Front for rent
and you hand me a button
for literacy day and I say
stick it
in your own lapel
while you bury our people
in prisons and psych wards
dump us on park benches
plow us under
with pomp and ceremony
with stacks of glossy PLAC reports
that flame up and burn our eyes
and the heat rises
a growing illumination
that "5-year blueprint
for literacy in B.C."
was never designed to include us
who are the foundation
the blood and the blue print
and there's money for sewers
the drainpipes that funnel



our blood to Victoria
blood of those crushed
by your edifice of greed
bloodsuckers and parasites
with your drunken revelries
in the bowels of the legislature
drunk on the blood of the poor
of the dispossessed of the homeless
of single mothers of those who work
to support the insatiable bloodlust
of each sadistic socred
whose salary sucks up more each year
than the whole operation of the Learning
Front whose head spins in technicolour
mad dreams of dracula
Vlad the Impaler, with genocidal
blueprint then as now.

and hope remains
then as now
with the Aboriginal
with the blood
this is pre-literate
and post-literate
with the power of the majestic "No"
and in this week, festooned with
balloons filled with Victoria hot air
hear the ancient howl of the wolf
as it bursts your balloon
in this land that never was for rent
as hlj tear down Tora's timeless logo
with the rent sign of your barricaded
soul and the wolf's at the window
and the sign is clear



mike kramer

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IN APPRECIATION

August 15, 1986 the first issue of the Carnegie Newsletter was printed. Beginning in January, 1987, the Downtown Eastside Residents' Association responded to a request from the new editor to support the paper and began to place a ½-page 'ad' in every one.

This support has amounted to over \$2,100, adding up the \$25 DERA has paid for each ½-page of "Need Help?"

Thank you, one and all.

Respectfully,

PAULR TAYLOR



The "Long Shot"

I thought I'd stumble to the track,
With my last Twenty, and give her a crack,
Three, Five and Seven were the "chalk",
With those kind of odds I'd sooner take a walk.
Nine, 50-1, looked like he wanted to run,
Fifty-nine races ago he had won.

The Track was slick and wet,
I had a feeling an upset was set,
"There They GO" the announcer bellered
And like a shot, the herd of nags thundered,
Through the mud and soup they went,
Hooves and whips flaying without relent.

Down the back stretch they flashed,
My hopes of a Win were nearly dashed
Down the home stretch they lashed,
My hopes of a Win were dashed.

The rider on Number Nine had taken a splash.

A. Milton

Christopher WHO?

Our aboriginal peoples of Canada were the first to inhabit this land.

On the 12th of October, 1492, on a commission from the government of Spain, one Christopher Columbus (an Italian citizen) invaded what are now the Bahamas and proclaimed his "discovery".

How can he "discover" what has been inhabited for thousands of years by aboriginal people?

For the record, International Law, the Constitution of Canada (sec35-61) and the Supreme Court of Canada all affirm that: "The existing aboriginal and treaty rights of the Aboriginal Peoples of Canada are hereby recognized and affirmed."

Native Peoples have had to learn to play the invaders' games about owning land and buying or selling resources.

To Native Peoples, 1492 was just the year in which sea pirates began to cheat and rob and kill them.

Wilfrid & Paul



These "random thoughts" were submitted by a woman. In the larger context of human relationships, 'he' & 'she' are interchangeable.

- he did and said very little by accident
- the lies were designed to subjugate, to humiliate through deception, to destroy the dignity which would allow one to distinguish between falsehood and reality.
- when not crushing through deception or cruelty he would bind through florid declarations of undying love.
- he knew that however many times he was caught lying, it was part of the power he relished.
- in the tension of the women in his life, he found the excitement of the sexual game.
- he tormented her at the same time that he was proud of her intelligence, talents and strength.
- he found another way to diminish and humiliate her.
- his Mother had been a haven of unconditional love and acceptance. When she died it died with her, leaving him oscillating between self-adulation and self-disgust.
- these were not the words of a lover, abandoning himself to the child-like nature of intimacy and passion, but of a highly manipulative man, expert at his manipulations.
- it was very hard to adapt to the world of masks, suspicions and buried feelings.
- pulled the rug out from under his tricks of seduction and control
- he discovered the dam holding back her humiliation - his moral worthlessness
- maintain the distance necessary to survive the relationship
- he loved the challenge of her independence and sought to destroy it.
- he was simply furious that she would rather be alone than with him.
- showed his true colours by destroying what he claimed to love.
- magnetized by her self-sufficiency, he could not wait to put an end to it.
- sufferings one has inflicted on others begin to inflict on oneself equally.
- his need for total control through constant manipulation.
- masterly at inflicting pain
- we love people for what they are, not for what they do.
- having seen the destruction he wrought around him, she was determined to shield herself. She never embraced him with her whole being. Too mistrustful to allow herself to be vulnerable.
- he was the perfect trap-setter.
- it took me a long time to realize what a consummate liar he was.
- he rarely caused hurt by accident or oversight.
- the vital current was missing - it began with her health. It was the beginning of my resentment, and my deep disenchantment. It was my body paying the price, before my mind knew why.
- if he could humiliate her, he would lose his respect for her.
- he was so acutely aware of the balance of power in a relationship,
- he practised conquest and seduction without respite, intoxicated with his caperings and casual affairs and, above all, with proof of his virility.
- because he was not happy, he was chasing around more and more.
- I felt as though I had been poisoned, and the life was draining from me.

- her feelings of betrayal would fill her whole being, leaving her wretched.
- it was the loss of innocence and the end of trust. Not a day passed that I did not discover another corpse in another closet. I felt as though I was sinking deeper and deeper into a slimy pond.
- the affairs, the lies and unnecessary mysteries.
- I had seen clearly his pattern of telling that everything wrong in his life was on account of someone else.
- she had gradually learned to shut off a part of herself, and what he said and did no longer hurt as much.
- there was a crippling that took place, to stop the pain of the betrayal.
- the ways in which he had disfigured and violated their love, his betrayal of what they had together, and his refusal to admit the truth about the other women in his life.
- if she was going to survive, she had to leave.
- his anger that I had removed myself from the scene before he was through with me.
- an absurd little man, flabby and pathetic.
- he still believed that a combination of jealousy, fear of life without him and his confession of his need for her would bring her back.
- fantasy protestations of eternal love.
- he was addicted to people being addicted to him.
- revenge through mental control of my friends, family and acquaintances.
- her children would destroy him ruthlessly if possible.

After a bad relationship, the most destructive thing is self-blame, keeping the hurt inside. A release like this may be a step towards healing; getting rid of the bitterness by sharing the pain. Learning is.

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Wednesday August 15, 1990



Giant mannequins tower above the crowd assembled at Trout Lake Saturday for Illuminares, a lantern procession presented by Public Dreams Society. Fraser Galt bot photo

Trout Lake Park Festival

Some 4,000 people came to the Trout Lake Park in eastside Vancouver last Saturday to join in an evening of festivity at the Second Annual of "Illuminares: An Evening Lantern Procession." The weather was just gorgeous; it couldn't have been more co-operative.

Most of those there were local citizens, from the neighbourhoods around. Nonetheless I did manage to find, among the happy crowd, some visitors to our fair city. There was an American family from Texas, and a group of young people from Quebec.

The festival was organized and presented by the Public Dream Society - a local talent group - with assistance from a number of government departments and agencies at all 3 levels, and other cultural groups and individual artists.

The aim of the festival was to stage "a community celebration which uses the languages of landscape, poetry and mutual understanding to transform Trout Lake into a dream landscape," so stated in the leaflet. In addition, the main theme was to celebrate the spirit of Mother Nature, as Paula Tardine explained (President of Public Dream and artistic director of the festival).

Judged by the level of enthusiasm of the people at the park, the festival was a resounding success and its aim achieved. Certainly the landscape of Trout Lake Park was generously and artfully utilized to provide a lively background to what might unreservedly be termed a symphony of joyous celebration. Performances were arranged to be held, in sequence, at locations around the park, thereby actively encouraging the people to relish its physical environment to the utmost. Moreover,

the lantern procession, led by the lively drum music and beats of the group BC Batacada, went around the lake in a complete circle.

And all the performing artists together brought about a thoroughly enjoyable evening which lasted almost to midnight when fireworks were set off to add a finishing touch to the festival.

Besides BC Batacada, the local groups which performed at the festival were Katari Taiko, Cymbali, the Balkan Singers, Capeiro, two Native groups - Arrows to Freedom & Spirit Song - and members of the Public Dream Society itself. Individual artists included Michael O'Neil, the (Irish) Scottish piper, and Harold Gent.

Ms. Jardine stated that she was particularly happy in seeing the two Native groups taking part at the festival. In light of the things (unsettled land claims, repeated broken promises, imposed poverty and ongoing racism against the Native Peoples) happening in our country. "I was happy to get Native people involved," she said. Moreover, she felt that it's important (for our country) to initiate the process of healing (the wounds caused by these injustices).

Let's hope that her concerns are shared by more and more people in our society, so that our governments will be told in no uncertain terms to clean up their acts in this respect, thereby making all our Native brothers and sisters full and equal members in our society throughout the country.

In the meantime, let's see more of people-oriented festivals, without the creeping commercialism as seen at many others, like "Illuminares", in our communities. I, for one, am certainly looking forward to the next one in '91.



Waiting for the drums to start, not doing the usual avid dance that seems to be expected in this town, I watched a woman with black hair and charcoal grey eyes enter the park. She was neither obtrusive about it nor hesitant, but possessed the quiet sureness of long invisibility. Far from being upset by my attention to her somewhat uneven approach, she almost seemed to smile. She sat down beside me, and looked straight ahead, aware of my presence in the peripheries of her vision.

I do not know this town and, as a new-comer, am still buoyed by the novelty of this place. For three weeks the depths of these lives evaded me and I felt adrift, unconnected.

Suppose a woman had been bound, her feet curled to difficult traditions. In sandals on a hot day she sits beside you and waits for the sounds to commence, for the spiritual commerce of those famous rhythms. Her right hand is draped casually over crossed knees, and you notice an absence there. Two of the fingers of her right hand have been cut off at the knuckle..messily..viciously.

Someone recognizes her and calls out in an unidentifiable dialect. You are horrified by her response. It is not what she says - that is indecipherable to you - but it is the sound of her voice; pinched, squashed as if steel bands inside her chest were wrapped tightly around her lungs and turning her words into wheezy coughs. And yet she is smiling somehow. Her face, you finally notice, is quite attractive. By her look, she is in her mid-thirties. By her voice she is an old woman.

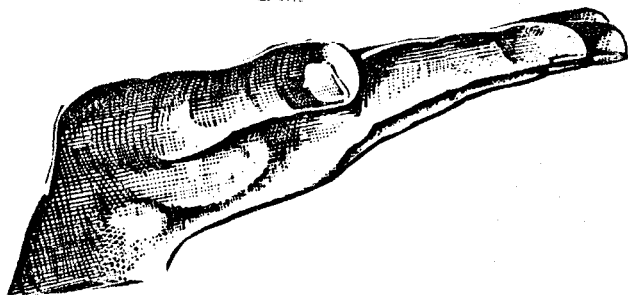
In a city plagued by rituals, the great rituals of addiction and the flimsy government-sponsored festivals of art and lanterns and sexual preference et al, something convulsive reasserts its precedence, returns us to our hidden waters.

In the elementary human register, a spot of desire or will, raised like a fist in the immense plain of indifference, signals to us, like a beacon across oceans.

An ocean may swallow us - better a wet death than an arid one - and future generations may ask ritual to stand for us when we are subsumed in the absolute machinery of history. But anything less than an intimate response to the sirens, those epitomes of resignation to the bodily truth of being human, anything but conscious submersion in the particular and peculiar, those very things that cannot be replaced by ritual but merely alluded to in general terms, is ugly and boring and stupid and useless.

Yet, in the midst of the shallow theatre that passes for real celebration in this society, one can hold a small particle of will against the nearly overwhelming, like a lantern in the cool dark.

By DAN FEENY



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NEWS FROM THE LEARNING CENTRE

The Learning Centre has been a real hub of activity this summer with volunteer tutors and staff working hard to provide programs for the many people who walk in.

Already we are experiencing the September "back-to-the-books" rush with many phone calls and enquiries about the fall classes. In this issue of the Newsletter is a copy of the class schedule for September.

Please come and see us in the Learning Centre if you have any questions or would like to register for a class.

Lex & Claude & Mike & Colin

ESL Literacy

This course is for students who are interested in increasing their vocabulary through conversations which relate to surviving in a Canadian context.

Mon & Wed 10:30 - 12:00

Classes begin September 10.....14 weeks

Grammar and Composition

Students are involved in a whole language approach which integrates reading, writing and conversation in a meaningful context. Through discussion and reading students will learn spelling, grammar and writing.

Mon & Wed 12:30 - 2:30

Classes begin September 10.....14 weeks

Creative Writing

Students are invited to bring their stories, poems and ideas which are shared through a variety of creative, fun exercises. Students will learn to develop their own writing and produce an anthology of the collected writings of the group.

Mon & Wed 3:00 - 5:00

Classes begin September 10.....14 weeks

Adult Academic Upgrading (GED)

This courses prepares students in five areas: Math, Literature, Social Studies, Writing and Science. Students are encouraged to design and plan their own learning program with the teacher.

Tues & Thu 3:00 - 7:00

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Math and Science

Students are able to upgrade their skills in a variety of areas that review the fundamentals of Math and Science.

Classes begin September 11.....14 weeks

Computer Literacy

In a co-operative setting students learn computer skills. Emphasis is on word processing for resumes and student writing.

Tues & Thu 12:30 - 2:30

Classes begin September 11.....14 weeks

ENOUGH!



SOCRED SOAP OPERA CAN'T BE REWRITTEN"

It seems more and more certain that British Columbia is heading into a fall provincial election - all the signs are beginning to show. Not the least of which is the attempt by Social Credit to gloss over their scandals of the past four years. Every Vander Zalm government scandal - from the premier's imposition of his abortion views to the Knight Street Pub lies to Bud Smith's tampering with justice - will now be subjected to the premier's unique interpretation (i.e. avoid the truth and never admit you're wrong).

One of the more notable players in this ogvernment's revisionist efforts is Patrick Kinsella, a longtime pollster and campaign worker for both the Socreds here in BC and the Mulroney Tories in Ottawa. According to Mr. Kinsella, the string of Socred scandals is not going to jurt the Vander Zalm government in the next election.

Frankly, Mr Kinsella, I have no interest in the impact of these scandals on the premier and his government..I'm concerned with how they've hurt British Columbians throughout the province. After all, it's the public which over and over has had to pay the price for the Socreds' abuse of public office or their mishandling of public money.

In the last few months alone, you and I have learned the truth about:
* the Bill Reid lottery scandal. Lottery money that should have been used for the public good was instead funnelled to his campaign manager and friend.

- COST TO THE PUBLIC - \$277,000.

* Carol Gran's air-taxi service for Socred cabinet ministers. The Emergency Health Services Commission reported that BC taxpayers had to shell out more than a million dollars to charter emergency air ambulance planes last year, because government jets were being used to fly Socred ministers around BC.

- COST TO BRITISH COLUMBIANS - \$1,200,000.

* the Vander Zalm government's use of public money to distribute 3700 copies of an insulting Real Women newsletter that discriminated against women, homosexuals and AIDS patients.

- COST TO B.C. TAXPAYERS - unknown.

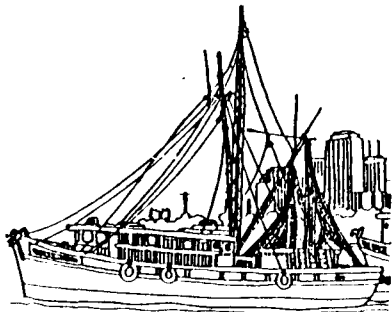
* the Expo land losses. According to the Auditor General, the Vander Salm government lost over \$100 million in selling the land, plus up to \$60 million in cleaning up the site for its new owners.

- COST TO YOU AND ME - \$162,000,000.

Socred scandals at public expense. That's what we've seen for four years. Millions in public money that could have been used to protect our environment or build more hospitals was instead wasted by a government more concerned with helping their friends than serving the public interest.

And British Columbians, who have paid the price for this Socred waste, are not going to forget the Vander Zalm soap opera of the last four years - no matter how much Mr. Kinsella and other Socreds want to rewrite the plot.

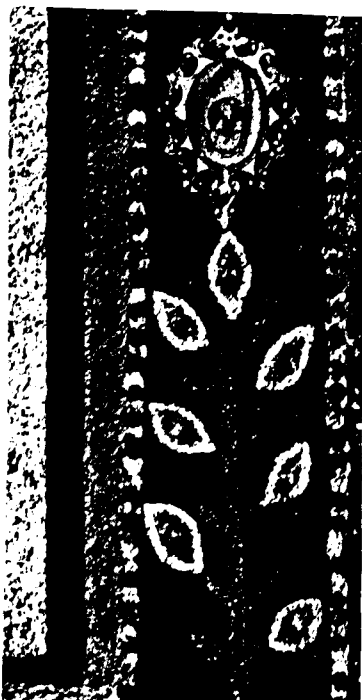
By MIKE HARCOURT



Something

Lost a lady
 Lost a home
 Got a room
 Gotta get it together
 or I don't
 got a home
 Wanna be
 wanna be
 She's got a problem
 She's got no home
 So maybe lady
 We don't need no home
 Okay

Frank Joe



Rejuvenation: Carnegie's Bridge Club

On Sunday, August 26th, a meeting was held at 2:15pm in the Theatre to discuss the formation of a new Bridge Club.

Funding and the awarding of prizes were on the agenda, plus the election of an interim executive.

The executive officers elected are as follows:

President - Terry
 Vice-Pres - Rick Colburn
 Treasurer - Paul Harris
 Secretary - Penny

Any information as to the form of Bridge to be played or any other questions regarding the club, see one of the above officers or Donald Viaud on the 3rd floor.

May the tricks be with you!

A Labour Day Weekend in Toronto

Floss cones at the Canadian National Exhibition are like sweet pastel wire, as a docile Cow swings her tail against the flies in a closed Hay bin.

Weather is steamy, sizzling, stifling as bare chested men Bark to guess your Age.

Tours are arranged for the nutrition Pavillions; everything from packaged steak to Sage.

Table Tennis players, young & old are in a tournament now, numbered old shirts, full of Sweat from their brows.

They talk of the reception for the winner Eventual, at the suite in the Royal York hotel.

In the city, they ask for the new Season in business and in school;

While they Concern themselves with how Toronto's Maple Leaf hockey team will Fare with the new year's Rule.

Roger

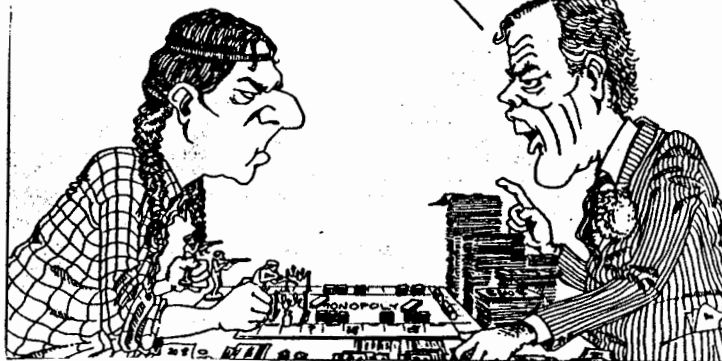


Bill Vander Zalm's latest pronouncements on the fiscal effectiveness of the federal government handing over control for environmental protection, native affairs, agriculture, forestry, parks and fisheries begs a response. It will indeed save us money if each province, rather than the federal government, had responsibility for these matters. On the other hand, think of the money which would be saved, and how we would all benefit, if the federal government took control over various matters under provincial government control.

If education came under the federal government we could finally achieve a national curriculum from coast to coast. A student in the Fogo Islands of Newfoundland would follow through the same basic curriculum in grade three as a student in Dawson Creek. If health care came under the federal government we would end the current system whereby dental care is included in the basic medical plan of Ontario while in our Province we must pay an extra \$5 every time we see a chiropractor.

ERIC BASIL
WEST ENDER - METRO NEWS

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AND THE MILK BOTTLE!**



Lastly, if natural resources came under federal jurisdiction Canada would finally achieve a national policy in natural resources. Canada could then integrate the management, production and environmental protection of our natural resources. With the "free" trade deal, the unification of Europe in 1992 and the possible of an Asian "free trade" market in the late 1990s we could start from a strong position. On the international scene one strong Canadian hand is much more beneficial to the forest or fishery or mining sector than ten weak provincial hands.

I agree with Bill Vander Zalm. Let's shift the jurisdiction of some government departments. His proposal would further divide Canada. My proposal would strengthen Canada and also finally get one of our worst Cabinet Ministers, Dave Parker, BC's Minister of Crown Lands, on UIC. That in itself would be a worthy accomplishment.

Darren Lowe

Editor
Carnegie Newsletter

To date Bill Vander Zalm has refused to apologize to the people of B.C. for the actions of his disgraced former Attorney General, Bud Smith.

Why can't the Premier admit Bud Smith was wrong to meddle in the prosecution of his friend and Soecred colleague Bill Reid? Does the Premier not appreciate the unique role of the Attorney General - a role that requires him to be independent and impartial? Does Premier Vander Zalm not believe that our judicial system must be free of political interference?

Rather than criticize Smith, the Premier chose to focus on the way the tapes were released and their consequential effect on Smith's family. In so doing Vander Zalm conveniently ignores two facts. First, contrary to his assertions, the tapes were turned over to the R.C.M.P. In fact, I contacted the Deputy Attorney General before rising in the Legislature. Second, the Premier ignores the fact that the New Democrats did not release any of the tapes dealing with Smith's apparent involvement with a reporter. That material was released by an unidentified source through the media.

Worse still, Vander Zalm fails to recognize that all MLAs have a duty to report any wrongdoing by the Attorney General to the Legislature. The laws of Parliament demand that an Attorney General not tamper with the administration of justice. I can understand why the Premier would prefer not to hear of a wrongdoing by one of his ministers, but surely the public should be informed of such improprieties.

MY GOD - IT'S ALL MY FAULT
WHAT A FOOL I'VE BEEN...



BILL VANDER ZALM
guarded on Smith's future

Although the taping question is serious, he said, "It does not strike at the foundations of the administration of justice in the way that allegations of coverup (in the Reid affair) and obstruction of justice (involving Smith) do."

That means, he said, it's probably better to get on with the Owen inquiry rather than have it delayed more months or even years while legal cases involving the taping make their way through the courts.

Premier Bill Vander Zalm was guarded about his plans for Smith.

Asked whether Smith would be brought back to cabinet, he said: "Oh, I can't make any comments on what it is cabinet-wise. That's something a premier keeps close to the vest."

Bud Smith not only violated the ethical standards we demand of our Attorney General, he did something much worse by violating the public's trust in an impartial judicial system. It's high time the Premier publicly states that such actions are unacceptable, and demonstrates for once that he is able to distinguish between right and wrong.

Moe Sihota, M.A.

photo: Stephen Wisenthal

I've seen these same questions asked over and over for many years and I've seen very little action done.

I'm interviewing homeless people right now for my new book. So I go into the community and I talk to homeless people, but I don't talk at them, and I listen to them. I listen to what they have to say, 'cause they're the people that are homeless, and then I write what they said, not what I think what they mean. That's action.

We want everybody to know. Demystify politics. Demystify the corporate agenda. That would be an action.

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如果你身上的衣服著火，
你將會怎辦？

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOUR CLOTHES CAUGHT ON FIRE?

IF YOUR CLOTHES CATCH ON FIRE..
如果你身上的衣服着火

STOP 伏地
站定 打滾
DROP AND ROLL
這可解火撲滅
SO THE FIRE WILL
GO OUT.

ਸ਼ਿਪੀ ਕਹਿੰਦਾ ਹੈ.....

ਹਿੰਦਾ ਹੈ..... ਜੇ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਕਪੜਿਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਅੱਗ ਲੱਗ ਜਾਵੇ

ਜੇ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਕੱਪੜਿਆਂ ਨੂੰ

ਅੱਗ ਲੱਗ ਜਾਵੇ
ਤੁਸੀਂ ਕੀ ਕਰੋਗੇ?

ਰੁਕ ਜਾਓ,

ਲੰਮੇਂ ਪੈ ਜਾਓ ਅਤੇ ਪਲਸੇਟੀਆਂ ਖਾਓ

ਇਸ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਰ ਅੱਗ
ਬੱਝ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ

What would you do
if your clothes caught on fire?

如果你身上的衣服着火，你會怎樣做呢？
ਜੇ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਕੱਪੜਿਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਅੱਗ ਲੱਗ ਜਾਵੇ ਤਾਂ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਕੀ ਕਰੋਗੇ?

Public Meeting

CANADA IN CRISIS

FREE TRADE AND THE MEECH LAKE AFTERMATH:



What is Really Happening to Canada?

Speaker: **DAVID ORCHARD**

Time: **Saturday, September 8/90**
7:30 pm

Place: **Maritime Labour Centre**
1880 Triumph Street
(3 blocks north of East Hastings
at Victoria Drive)

DAVID ORCHARD, the national chairman of Citizens Concerned About Free Trade (CCAFT), a grass-roots national non-partisan organisation founded in 1985, has been one of the most effective opponents of the Canada/U.S. Free Trade Agreement ever since negotiations began. In 1987 and 1988 CCAFT sponsored public information meetings across Canada from Vancouver to Halifax, where David Orchard explained the actual content of the F.T.A. in terms the ordinary Canadian could understand. Orchard also debated, in public meetings and on radio and television, many high profile proponents of the deal, such as federal Free Trade negotiator

Gordon Ritchie, federal Minister of International Trade John Crosbie, Saskatchewan Minister of Trade Bob Andrew, and Toronto economist and free trade promoter, John Crispo. The predictions Orchard made then are coming true one after the other.

David Orchard has recently returned from four months of study in Quebec. Don't miss his first major speech in Vancouver since October '88. He will talk about the government plans to involve Canada in a U.S.-Mexico Free Trade Agreement, the connections between Free Trade, Meech Lake and the GST, and what we can do to have the Free Trade Agreement cancelled.

All welcome • Full question and answer period • Admission free
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If you agree with us that Canada's survival as a nation should be at the top of this country's political agenda, you can do the following:

- Let the Liberal or NDP candidate you voted for, and the Liberal and NDP leadership candidates in the running know you support the idea of an electoral coalition, and you want them to do likewise. (Send us a copy of your letter, and the reply you receive). If you belong to either party, use your influence to get the idea across to your fellow party members and to the decision-making bodies of your party. The pressure must continue before, during and after the leadership conventions.
- Get the organization you belong to to support a resolution in favour of an electoral coalition and have it forwarded to the two opposition parties.
- Raise the issue of "free trade" wherever you can: on open line radio and television shows, in letters to newspapers, in public meetings, and soon. Point out what the F.T.A. is doing to our country, and that there is a solution: the Agreement must be terminated and it can be done through the electoral coalition. Don't allow the "free trade" issue to be buried, as is the intent of this country's powers-that-be as well as the by-and-large pro-free trade media.
- Educate yourself about what is in the Agreement and how it is affecting Canada. CCAFT is starting a regular newspaper, TRUE NORTH: THE VOICE OF CANADIAN INDEPENDENCE, which will keep Canadians informed and alerted. It is available for a \$20 subscription for ten issues. We also have a book, FREE TRADE: THE FULL STORY, which contains David Orchard's speech on what is behind the Free Trade Agreement and what is in the deal, all in language that a layperson can understand. Orchard's 2-hour speech is also available on video and audiotape, (\$25 for the videotape and \$12 for a set of three audio cassettes. Add \$2.50 for mailing).
- Last, but definitely not least: give a donation to CCAFT to make it possible for our work to continue. Our only source of funding is from our members and supporters. SEND A CHEQUE OR MONEY ORDER TODAY. If everyone who is able would give A DOLLAR A DAY TO FIGHT FREE TRADE, we could accomplish our goal of building an independent country faster and better.