

# THE BAMFIELDER



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Covering the news from Pachons lighthouse to  
Copper Island

## SCHOOL PLAYFIELD TO BE CLEARED

Recently, Dolores Bowker circulated a petition requesting the School Board's permission to reconstruct the playfield area in Bamfield.

Since there are now about 60 students attending Eric Godson School, she believes that a good playfield is essential.

She says, "We had a good field when I was a young girl but, between generations, the field was neglected and now is grown up with trees and bushes. There isn't a recreation field at Bamfield other than this one and the school grounds aren't in any shape for baseball, grass hockey or sports days."

So she has decided to do something about the situation.

(see Playfield p. 4)

## JUST A MATTER OF TIME

In a letter to the Regional Board dated September 5, the Department of Highways replied to questions raised by Bamfield representative, Pat Garcia.

They stated at that time that blacktopping of the boat launching parking lot would be completed "the following week, weather permitting". Since the work has not yet been done, in spite of persistent sunshine, Mrs. Garcia said, "I presume they are waiting for rainy weather."

As well, the Department stated that work on the boardwalk was "scheduled for this year".

Mrs. Garcia had also asked that the Department provide 20 m.p.h. signs for Bamfield.

(see Time p. 4)

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I've learned how to print "dog" already.

My baby sister would like school because she likes to play.

I like school but sometimes the kids push me.

I like making cookies with play dough. But you can't eat them because they aren't good for you.

My friends like to come home with me because they can go on the school boat. That boat's faster than anybody's.

I like school but I get hot.

The Voice of Experience

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The only thing I don't like about school is that you have to go outside when it's raining.

My little sister wants to come to school so badly. She wants to do her numbers and her name.

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PLAYFIELD (Cont. from p. 1)

On Sept. 22, she sent the following petition, with 26 signatures to School District #70:

We, the people of Ramfield, wish to reconstruct the playfield area at Ramfield.

Knowing that the land is School Board property, we wish your permission.

We want to get the area cleared off this Fall so we can seed it with grass before the frost comes, then by Spring it should be ready for playing on.

We plan to hold a walkathon and/or rowathon to raise monies to hire a bulldozer to clear the land and level off the area.

Hopefully, with your permission, we can get started soon, before the rainy season starts.

People of Ramfield  
(the people being - parents, students & other interested persons)

On Sept. 29, Mrs. Bowker received a reply from R.G. Lyon, District Superintendent, saying that the Board was "most pleased to have the community use the grounds in any reasonable manner." He also added that "It might be advisable to notify the board as to the type of clearing and uses planned."

TIME (Cont. from p. 1) 4.

These signs are expected to be posted from the E.C. Hydro pipe through to Centennial Park, as well as from Port Beebe Road to Frigate Road, down to the Government Dock. Since the normal speed limit within a community is 30 m.p.h., any change needs the approval of the Senior Traffic Engineer in the Department of Highways. Because of this, a third letter has been sent to the Department -- this time asking for such approval.

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Mrs. Bowker has now scheduled a meeting for Fri., Oct. 3 from 8-9 PM at the Community Hall to discuss plans for the playfield. Teenagers from the community will have a baby-sitting program of stories and games for the children while the meeting is in progress.

FOR MORE ON  
WALKATHON AND  
ROWATHON  
See page 14.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 22

Recently, Pat Garcia attended the Union of B.C. Municipalities in Penticton. In her report to the meeting, Pat told Sanfield residents that the trip to Penticton was a waste of our money (\$400.25) and her time.

Much of the meeting was taken up with municipal problems that were of little interest to small communities. Also, although government officials were supposed to be available to delegates, Pat found that representatives from the departments she wanted to talk to were not there. Pat said that small communities should have their own meetings to discuss matters that more directly concern them.

Dr. Russ' report to the meeting described the activity around the Manse, a shake cutting machine donated by Jim and Ethyl Conner of Port. had kept 10 people busy cutting shakes for the Manse roof. Volunteers were also adding a corner to the top floor of the Manse.

When contacted at the end of Sept., Dr. Russ said that so far, more than 48 people had given their time to the work at the Manse, with many people coming from Port.

(see Community p. 11)

CORNER'S  
CORNER



by Cathie Greening

Here's an easy, good-tasting way to prepare whole chicken or chicken pieces. A delicious company dish serving 4 - 6 people, this mushroom chicken casserole needs no alterations to make it better.

Mushroom Chicken Casserole

1. Brown 1 frying chicken, cut up into pieces, in 2 T. butter. Put browned pieces in casserole dish.
2. Mix and pour 1 can of cream of mushroom soup and 1/3 can white wine over chicken.
3. Bake at 375° F. in covered casserole for 1 hour and 15 minutes or until chicken is tender.

Baked potatoes, a tossed salad and hot biscuits complete the menu. If you've no white wine, red wine may be used as a substitute.

Bon Appetit!

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Dear Editor:

My boss, Dean G.M. Volkoff, is concerned with the Bamfield Marine Station as a member of the Management Council, and receives The Bamfielder regularly.

I just want to say how much I enjoy it. Cathie Greengrass' Green Thumb columns have given some invaluable tips already.

Life in small communities holds endless fascination for me and The Bamfielder captures the flavour of your community life excellently.

I "get the picture" that local permanent residents are not greatly overjoyed at the increasing numbers of tourists (understandably so). When I finally manage to visit Bamfield one day I shall handish my copy of a Bamfielder as my "passport".

One of my pleasantest holiday memories is of skimming the Lady Pose (in a somewhat zigzag fashion which must have unnerved the other passengers as they watched it heaving straight for the banks and then veering sharply back on course) down the Inlet and chatting with the interesting skipper.

With kind regards,

Beryl Wilson  
Vancouver

The following letter is addressed to Bamfield residents:

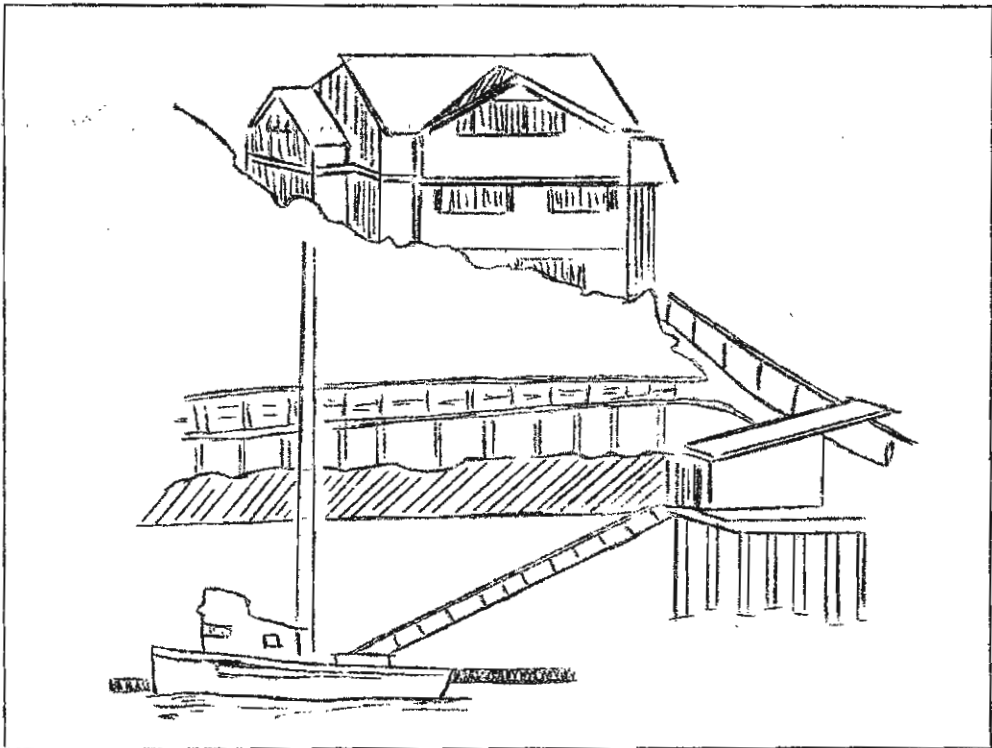
Elsewhere in this paper are letters written to the School Board Officers requesting permission to reconstruct the playfield area at Bamfield. (Ed. note: see pages 1 & 4.)

I got 36 signatures on the letter. Now, if other people wished to sign this letter, I am sorry. Maybe we can get your support in organizing fund raising projects. I just wanted to get the letter off as soon as possible. Look forward to seeing flyers and posters regarding a walkathon &/or rowathon. We would like all residents to partake either in the walkathon &/or rowathon or with pledges for the participants. Any persons with suggestions on other fund raising projects, please contact me. All I ask is your co-operation as this will benefit all of us.

Dolores E. Bowker

Ed. note:

Thanks for the kind words.



From the Bamfield Sketches by Floy Zitten  
With permission of BVFD

The Bamfielder welcomes letters. ....

If you have a comment, a complaint, or if you would just like to get something off your chest, put it on paper and send it to:

Editor  
The Bamfielder  
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Commencing Sat., Oct. 4,

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All letters must be signed, but if you wish to remain anonymous, let us know and your name will be kept in strictest confidence.




COMMUNITY CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.
Church Service every Sunday 11 AM			1 U.C.W. Work Bee every Wed. at 1:30 PM ----- Fire Practice every Wed. at 7 PM	2
5 World Communion Service 11 AM	Directors' Meeting for Community Hall Society ----- Church Board meeting - 8 PM at the Manse	7	8 U. C. W. Pot Luck Supper 6 PM	9
12 Thanksgiving Service	13	14	15 BVFD Monthly Meeting	16 Par a Region meeting Port A 2
19 No Church Service (Presbytery at Moorecroft)  WALKATHON AND ROWATHON see posters for definite dates	20 Chamber of Commerce 8 PM	21	22	23
26	27 For the best entertainment in town ... Come out to the exciting Community Affairs meeting 8 PM	28	29	30

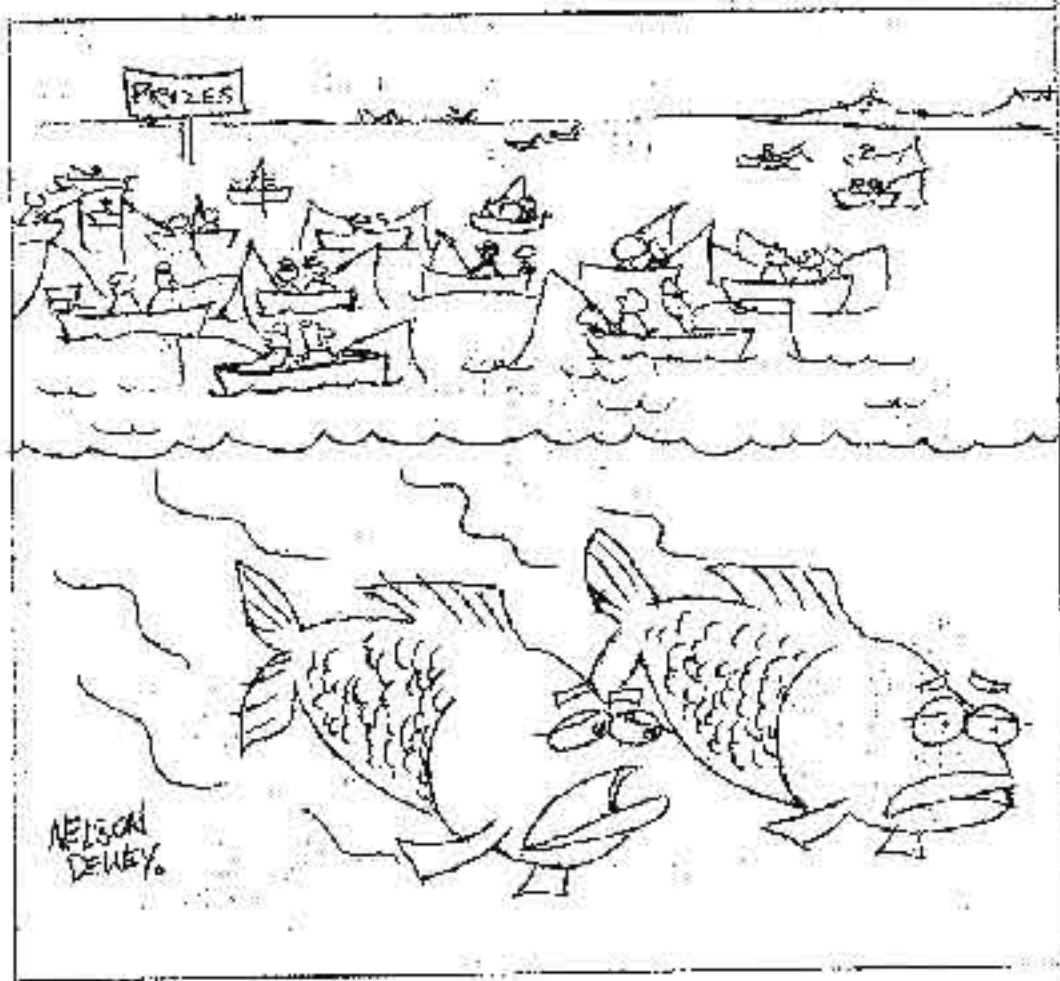


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NOVEMBER 1975

DATE	DAY	EVENTS
3	MON	"Life & Times of Judge Roy Bean" with Paul Newman 9:15 PM Meeting to discuss playfield 8 - 9 PM
4	TUE	Church School every Saturday 1:30 - 3:30
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31		BOO! It's Halloween !! 

- Nov. 1 - Church School every Saturday 1:30 - 3:30  
\* - Hard Times Dance \*  
Come and have a good time!
  - Nov. 2 - Church Service every Sunday 11 AM
  - Nov. 5 - Fire Practice every Wed. at 7 PM  
- U.C.W. Work Bee every Wed. at 1:30 PM
  - Nov. 7 - Movie "There was a Crooked Man" with Kirk Douglas & Henry Fonda Mature Comedy 9:15 PM
  - Nov. 9 - Remembrance Day Service
  - Nov. 14 - RED CROSS CARNIVAL - begins at 5:30 PM
  - Nov. 15 - Election Day. Vote at the Hall
  - Nov. 17 - Chamber of Commerce meeting 8 PM
  - Nov. 19 - BVPD monthly meeting 7 PM
  - Nov. 24 - Be informed -- Be at the Community Affairs meeting 8 PM
- Please watch for posters announcing events not listed.



"WHAT A RELIEF TO BE PAST THE FISHING DERBIES AGAIN!  
 NOW ALL WE HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT IS THE MINOR STUFF --  
 WATER POLLUTION AND OIL SPILLS..."

The cartoon above was contributed by Nelson Dewey whose name is already familiar to our readers. Nelson's drawings appear regularly in the Islander and his cartoons have added to the popularity of some of Alec Merriman's books, such as "How to Catch Steelhead", "Logging Road Travel" and "Outdoors with Merriman".

FORESHORE RIGHTS ON  
FLEMING ISLAND

On Sept. 24, the Regional Board considered an application from the Port Alberni Yacht Club for foreshore rights to part of the east side of Fleming Island, for the purpose of mooring boats.

In 1973, the Club was issued a special-use permit by the Forest Service to establish a picnic site, a small summer lodge and two small A-frame cabins, in the upland area of that part of the Island. This permit was renewable on an annual basis.

Board members learned that the Club had brought in structures, including an A-frame building, and had moored them to the foreshore area, although they had not received permission to do so.

The Board recommended that the special-use permit be cancelled and added that no group should have a monopoly on foreshore rights.

On Sept. 29, Pat Garcia, Bamfield representative, said that there are several areas that the Club could use for mooring: Bamfield, Poett Nook, San Mateo and Kildonan.

COMMUNITY (Cont. from p.5) 11.

During the meeting, Paul Tennant asked David Hegstrom, representative of the Recreation Commission, what was the purpose of Centennial Park and why campers could not use it.

Mr. Hegstrom said that the Park was designated as a picnic area not a campsite. He added that something had to be done about obtaining signs that specified "no camping" in both the Park and Port Desire area.

There were 13 people at the Community Affairs meeting and someone suggested that because of the poor attendance, such meetings were a waste of time. Several people agreed, while others felt that it was important to have a monthly public forum. But the question is still open.

Are our monthly meetings a waste of time?

OSTROM'S MACHINE SHOP

BAMFIELD

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THE EDITOR SAYS THANK YOU

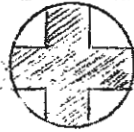


to all those great people who  
help fold this paper every month.



Here's to your GOOD HEALTH! + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +

by Margaret Parady



The Common Cold

There is still no cure for a "cold".

Usually, when you feel a cold coming on, it will still be "coming" for 3 days. You will have it full-blown for 3 days, and it will be about 3 days going. A cold lasts about 9 or 10 days.

However, home remedies and common sense will do much to relieve the miseries of a cold.

Drink plenty of fluids. Stay in an even temperature -- especially if you are taking aspirin, anacin, or any of the drugs that make you perspire.

Gargle for sore throat. Steam for running nose and eyes. Take cough medicine and cough drops, if necessary, but only as directed on the bottle or package.

Go to bed early and get plenty of rest.

Do keep your children at home when they have colds. Do make sure they follow these rules. Do encourage them to cover their mouths when they cough. Don't allow them to run around the house and stand in open doorways in pyjamas and bare feet. Don't allow them to stay up late ↗

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"because they are at home anyway." Plenty of rest will shorten any disease. Antibiotics will not cure the common cold.

COMING IN NOVEMBER

RED CROSS CARNIVAL!!

On November 14, the Red Cross will hold a Carnival with Raffles, Games, Bingo, a Homecooking Sale, Mystery Table and Fish Pond.

Come and have a supper of hot dogs and hamburgers. It all starts at 5:30 PM. See you there!

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When you're in Port...

Remember

WOODWARD'S

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**SAMFIELD CABINS & COFFEE SHOP**

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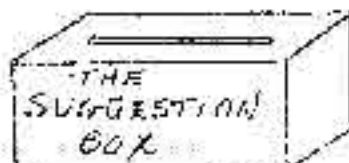
3 Cabins with kitchenettes  
Open daily for  
Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner.

**A NOTE FROM THE OUTPOST  
HOSPITAL**

Margaret Parry, R.N., will  
be away on holidays from  
October 15 to November 15.

She expects that Mrs. Marg-  
aret McLaughlin, R.N., from  
Kamome will be the relief  
nurse.

Do drop in and say "hello"  
to Mrs. McLaughlin.



13.

Our readers have suggested  
that ...

- Hatfield needs a centre  
where people requiring  
repairmen may confine their  
efforts & keep overall cost  
of work down, since travel-  
ling costs are so high.

(How about a bulletin board  
at the Post Office, Mayor's  
or Getrom's.)

- a subscription to The  
Samfielder would make a  
good Christmas gift.

(Hey, we like that suggestion.)

**PAT GARCIA ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY**

Sept. 30 - Today, Pat Garcia announced that she would run  
for re-election to the Board of the Albemarle-Claycoquet  
Regional District in the forthcoming election to be held  
on November 15, 1975.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS**

Frank Stewart, who retired  
in December, 1975 after being  
Secretary-Treasurer of the  
Chamber of Commerce since its  
inception in 1953, was re-  
cently presented with a set  
of Olympic coins by the  
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WALKATHON

&

ROWATHON



14.

A Walkathon and a Rowathon are planned for the afternoon of either Sunday, Oct. 19 or Monday, Oct. 20. (Definite dates will be announced later.) Kids and adults are invited to participate.

The course of the Walkathon is in the shape of a triangle. It starts at the school float, along to Gwyer's store and Green's, up the path to the school and then back to the school float.

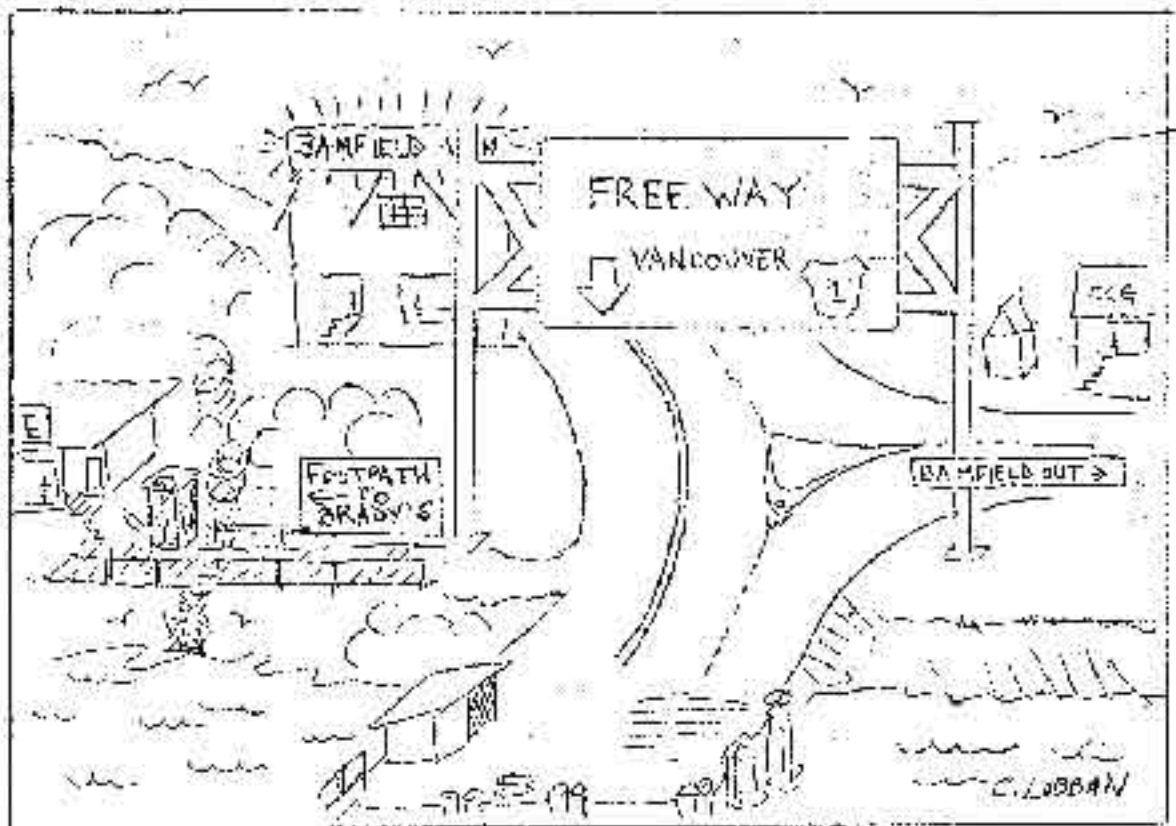
The course of the Rowathon is also triangular, starting at the school float to the Marine Station boat float (the one closest to the mouth of the Inlet), to Gwyer's float and back to the school float. For the Rowathon, participants must have a partner and life preservers.

All participants will go around the course as many times as possible and residents are asked to give pledges to the participants.

After the events, there will be a weiner roast at the ball park with refreshments provided by the Recreation Commission.

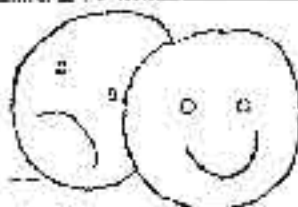
Pledge forms will be available soon.

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Next month you won't be in-the-know, fascinated, informed, delighted, and/or outraged



because -- THE CAMBRIDGE won't be appearing.

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But, watch out! We'll be back in print some time in late November/early December with all those not-quite-up-to-the-minute news flashes we're famous for.



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One refrigerator. Please phone Tom Herman 728-3301 and leave a message.

Second-hand propane fridge. Phone 728-3297 or 728-3301 and ask for Boomer.

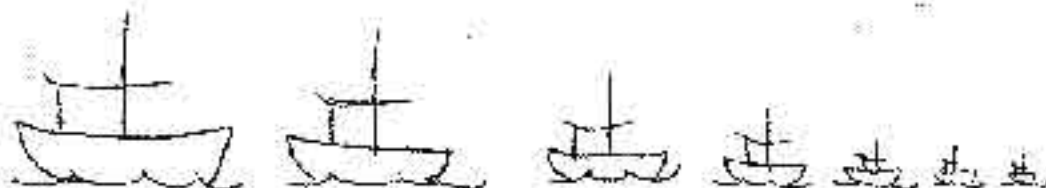
One wicker chair. The type that came out of the Cable Station. Phone 728-3541.

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4 Kittens. Mother blue-point Siamese. Father from good neighbourhood. Free to good home. Phone 728-3252 around supper-time.

Announcement

Freedom Boats are closed for the winter.



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