



The POINTER...

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The first edition of the Willis Point "Pointer" hit the streets of our community on May 3rd, 1976. It was the brainchild of George Pears, who combined his considerable talents as publisher, editor and reporter to produce a paper which served to keep our community informed regarding many issues whether social, political, or taxable in nature.

The "Pointer" regretfully has learned that George Pears is retiring from his position as publisher. As this issue goes to press, Lillian and George will have left the "point". We can only say they will be sorely missed. Lillian, for her cheerful and untiring efforts in the formative and ongoing projects of Willis Point; George, of course, for the same reasons and so many more that we could fill this paper.

We hope George, that you have groomed someone to replace you for the job of "starter" at the "CRABDOWNE RACES".

Lillian and George, our most grateful thanks to you both as friends, neighbours and for your contribution to our community.

Despite the fact that you now live at #19 - 897 Admirals Rd. (381-4486), we still consider you our neighbour.

- Charlie Bonner

WPRA news

Chairman's Message

As Chairman I want to continue with the work that has been done in the past. It is important to perpetuate the community spirit that makes this a special neighbourhood.

Just as important is the preservation and protection of the physical aspects of our community.

I am relatively new to our neighbourhood and on behalf of the association I invite your helpful ideas and suggestions.

- Kees van Westen

WPRA Executive (1980 - 1981)

The continued success of our community is in the capable hands of the following volunteers:

Chairman - Kees van Westen

Vice-Chairman - Fred Cliff

Treasurer - David Price

Recorder - Lorraine Pommen

Corresponding Secretary - Jean Hughes

Roads Director - Barry Peek-Vout

Membership - Roni Naldrett

Membership-at-large - Gary Graham

Fire-Commission Members;

- Bob Halsey Gary Butchart
- Barry Peek-Vout Brian McCandless
- Nathan Ory
- Dave Carley - Vice Chairman
- George Pears - Chairman

Current Issues

Annual General Meeting

The September 23rd Annual General Meeting of the Willis Point Ratepayers Assn. attracted a record number of residents. In addition to a significant portion of the Willis Point community, invited guests M.L.A. Frank Mitchell and C.R.D. Director Ed Lubick were in attendance.

Reports from the Treasurer, Fire Chief, and Membership Director were read and adopted. The Treasurer reported the good news of a bank balance totalling \$1413.23. Also of note -- 108 family memberships in the W.P.R.A. and an ever alert 19 member volunteer fire department under the leadership of Dave Carley. Of course, the really good news from Dave is that we had no major fire calls during the year.

The annual reports were followed by the significant topic of discussion for the evening; that is, road access to Willis Point. Chairman Charlie Bonner provided residents and guests with background information on the situation and Nathan Ory proceeded with an explanation of the viewpoints in support of a petition outlining three viable road options prepared by his concerned group at the request of the Executive. Nathan explained that the main objective of the petition is to keep the existing road open. Many suggestions and possible remedies to the road problem were debated and it was ultimately moved and carried that our petition and preferred options proposal be forwarded to various involved levels of government and that a special committee be struck to pursue and resolve the road issue.

The final business of the Annual General Meeting involved the election of a new Chairman, and the acceptance of a new slate of Directors.

Special thanks go to guests Ed Lubick and Frank Mitchell for their time and concern on September 23, and to Charlie Bonner, who admirably chaired a long and complex meeting, attended by an outstanding number of concerned and involved community residents.

Since the Annual General Meeting of September 23, the issue of road access to Willis Point has been clarified in a number of ways. Our community now has a "Save the Road" Committee consisting of Chairman Barry Peeke-Vout and members: Kees van Westen, Nathan Ory, Bonnie Ory, Gloria Graham, Sam Young, David Laurie, Eric Hoel, Hall Brown and Anna Savage. On October 15, W.P.R.A. Chairman Kees van Westen met with Mick Elston, Director or Planning, Ministry of Transportation and Highways. Their discussion involved a review of the objections of the community to the proposed Hartland Rd. extension and the viable alternatives. More recently, Alex Frazier, Minister, has written that his department agrees to attend a further meeting without committee and in the meantime "will not commit any construction of the Hartland Road extension."

Barry Peeke-Vout is now arranging the meeting between our committee and representatives of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways, D.N.D., C.R.D. and a resident of the Pease Lake area.

Hopefully, a satisfactory and speedy resolution to this issue is at hand. Your community newsletter, The Willis Pointer, will keep you posted.

- Anna Savage

Past Events

Car Rally - July 20, 1980

Special thanks to

Gary Graham
Sarah Bonner
Bob Halsey
Linda Twamley

This turned out to be a great day with an excellent turnout for the Rally and the B.B.Q.

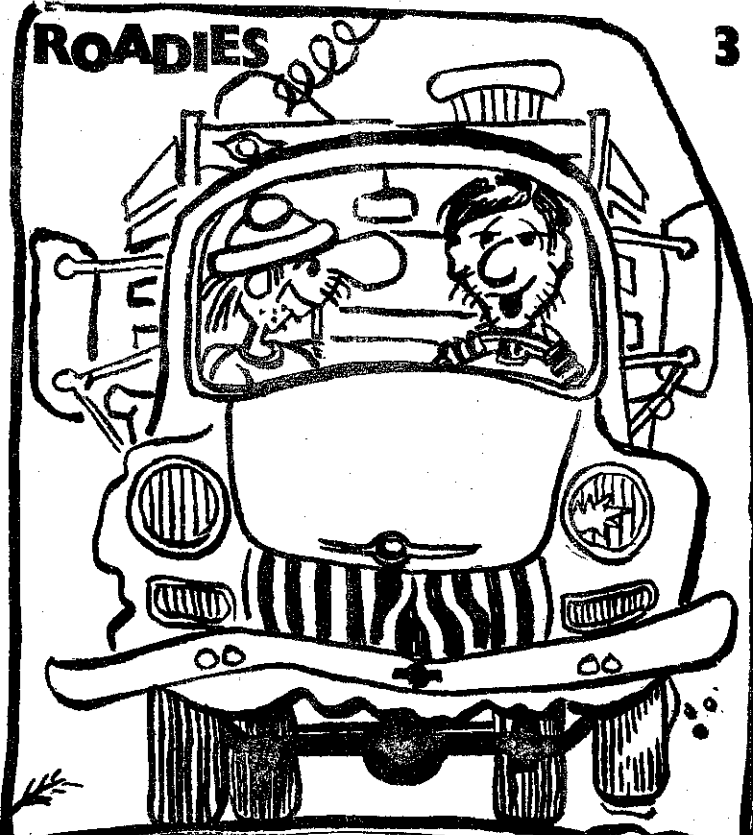
There were 25 entrants driving a total of 29 miles. Our profit was \$63.00. Congratulations to our winners;

1st Place - Robin and Susan Curtis
2nd Place - Camile Halsey and friend
3rd Place - Linda Verhagen and guest
Book-ends - Charlie and Sydnie Bonner

- Brian McCandless

ROADIES

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Gee Harv! I can't figure out those people at the point, I mean... this sure beats shopping - no lineups!



Harv! Look... a light for the end table!

Fishing Derby - August 24, 1980

The annual Willis Point Fishing Derby was once again blessed by wonderful weather; hordes of people, great food and drink. As for the fishing, our humanitarian fisherpersons elected to leave the really large fish in the inlet for next year and concentrated on catching the more tasty ones of modest size.

A sincere thanks to all who assisted. Mary and Peter Brelsford for "Stake Your Claim", Linda Twamley and friends for catering, Brian McCandless and Don Mollberg for the rowdy pie eating contest. We're still cleaning the stuff off the roof.

Janet and Ken Leighton and their many volunteer assistants did a fine job as well with the very large and important task of handling the races.

Joan McCandless and Sharon Pine are to be commended for their patience and bravery in handling the children's balloon breaking contest.

All the functions put on in your community are done on a limited budget and therefore donations in the form of prizes are very much appreciated (as indeed they were at this function).

- Charlie Bonner

Logo Contest - August 1980

Well, we've done it! Willis Point has moved one step toward world-wide recognition. If you noticed the new letterhead on the Pointer, you'll know that the Willis Point logo has been chosen and it wasn't easy!

The selection committee George Pears, Sydnie and Charlie Bonner, Gloria Graham and Bruce Wilkinson met early in the summer to study the thirty-odd secretly identified entries. After reducing the number of serious contenders to eight, the secret balloting started. By the end of the evening the committee had selected two finalists, and had itself tried to produce a satisfactory design by combining features of some other designs - without success. The two final designs were returned to the artists with committee recommendations for modifications.

Late in the summer, another committee conference finally made the decision, the result of which headlines this issue of the Pointer. Our thanks to all the participants, and congratulations to the winner, Brian McCandless. Look for this strikingly graphic art on newsletters, tickets, event souvenirs and anything else we can think of applying it to.

- Bruce Wilkinson

Firefighters Hallowe'en Dance -
October 25, 1980

Once again Willis Pointers and their guests outdid themselves in making this dance a smashing success. The prize list for costumes is a perfect sign of how "into it" we all get each year. We'd especially like to thank Gerry Verhagen for his generous prize donation.

Men's Best Costume

- 1st Big Bird - Brian McCandless
2nd Devil - Ron Penner (guest of
Bernadette & Robert
Anderson)

3rd Pinnochio - Tony Burton

Women's Best Costume

- 1st Jiminy Cricket - Lois Burton
2nd Can Can Dancer - Linda Verhagen

Best Couples Costume

- 1st Fire Hydrant & Jan & Vern
Dalmation McConnell
2nd Half-Man Bob Halsey
Half-Woman Gaybrielle Funnell

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| 3rd 30th Century Couple from Dimension x | Bonnie & Nathan Ory |
| 4th Elephant Couple | Linda Addison
Gerry McPherson
(guests of Erik Hoel) |
| 5th Witch & Bat | Bernadette & Robert Anderson |
| 6th Raggedy Ann & Andy | Marilyn & Don Walker (guests of Bob Halsey) |
| 7th The Nun & Monk | Yvonne & Dave Carley |
| Door Prize | Erik Hoel |
| 144 oz. Prize | Gaybrielle Funnell |

The Slime Creatures (Gloria & Gary Graham) also deserved a prize but were omitted from the competition since they selected the costume judges.

So many others had such realistic costumes that we're going to have to increase the number of prizes next year.

The night was topped by a fine spread of food that was followed by a magic show put on by Tony Eng.

We're all looking forward to an even better party in 1981. Thanks to all the firefighters whose participation made the event possible.

- Nathan Ory

Hallowe'en Bonfire

On October 31st, all sorts and sizes of creatures roamed our Willis Point and then finally gathered around a warming bonfire at the community hall.

It was Hallowe'en at Willis Point.

The typical Willis Point community spirit was present - goodies were handed out to all the little beings as the older participants looked on. Pop, hot dogs and chips were enjoyed by the little people prior to the great fireworks display.

This was the fourth annual kids bonfire sponsored and funded (250.00) by the Willis Point Volunteer Fire Dept., the annual Hallowe'en Masquerade Dance and the sale of raffle tickets.

A tremendous amount of hard work goes into many aspects of these events to make them a success.

See you next year.

- Ian Blaney

Firefighter News

Members of the department have been busy over the last few months. With Bill Wright going up to Crofton to a Volunteer Firefighters Training Seminar, other members were over to North Saanich to a short course in fighting oil and gas fires.

Gerry Verhagen, Barry Townsend and Bernadette Anderson have completed and passed the Industrial First-Aid Course put on by the Workers Compensation.

Three members have heeded the call of the hustle, bustle and gas fumes of the big city and have moved back into Victoria. May our best wishes go with George Pears, Don Cameron, and Dan Mollberg.

As you can see we do need new members, and as a new set of training courses are about to get underway, now is a good time to drop down to the firehall at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday and check us out. We can be a better department with your help.

Members took part in the Provincial Emergency Measures Organizations Disaster exercise at the airport.

More news on the fire departments "goings on" in the next Pointer.

- Bill Wright

Coming Events

Oktoberfest - November 22, 1980

Don't miss this event. Come in Bavarian food, music and beer.

Your \$7.50 entry fee entitles you to a beer stein with the new Willis Point logo.

Start practicing early for the beer drinking contest.

Contact Gary Butchart 652-1731 for tickets.

New Years Eve Dance and Supper
December 31, 1980

Welcome in 1981 at the New Years Eve Dance. \$20.00 a couple includes a mid-night supper, party favors, prizes and entertainment...?

Full bar will be open.

Maximum 60 couples.

See Vern McConnell for tickets 652-2996.

Valentine Happy Hour - February 13, 1981

Come to the hall and get acquainted or reacquainted with your neighbours.

The bar will be open at 6:00 p.m. and a light meal will be served.

Bring the kids.

Willis Point Flag Competition
November 20th - December 31st

All school age children are eligible to guess the flags on the Price's flag pole (842 Sea-Aira Heights).

Competition starts November 20th to December 31st.

Entry forms can be picked up any week day at 842 Sea-Aira Heights. The child must fill in the name of the flag and colour the diagram of the flag with the proper colours.

Moms and Dads will enjoy helping too.

Each entry will win a prize and there will be a grand prize winner.

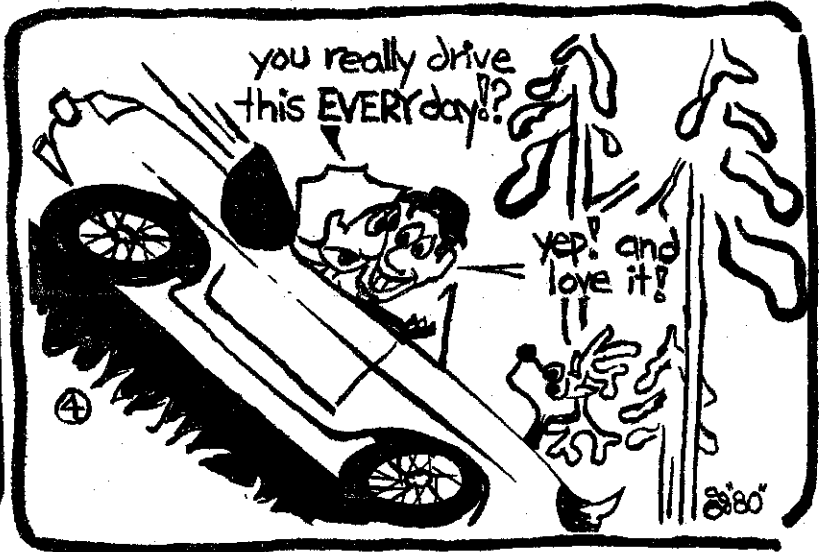
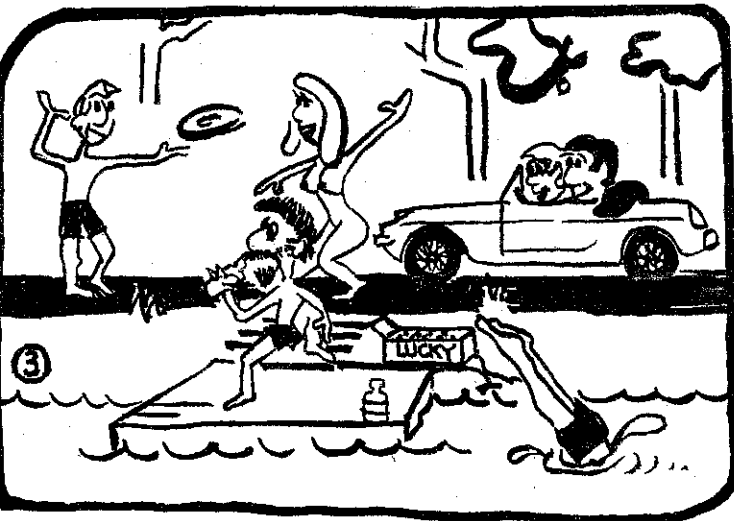
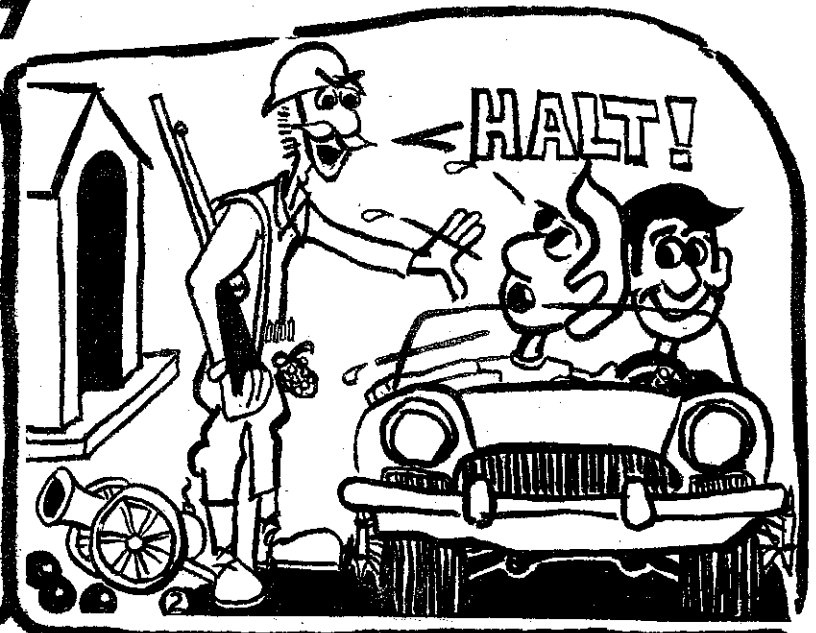
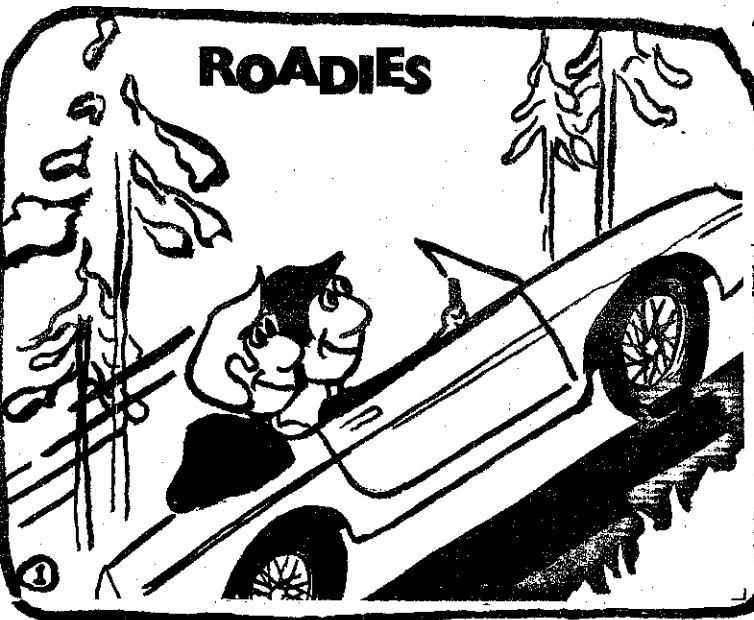
- David Price

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WPRA Social Calendar 1980 - 81

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Convener</u>			
Nov. 22	Bavarian Oktoberfest	Gary Butchart 652-1731	June 11	Vol. 2 #3 Pointer	Gloria Graham 652-5509
Dec. 31	New Years Dance and Supper (1980)	Vern McConnell 652-2996	June 21	Strawberry Tea	Bonnie Ory 652-3249
Jan. 19	WPRA Executive Meeting (7:45 p.m.)	Kees van Westen 652-3872	July 19	Car Rally	Kees van Westen 652-3872
Feb. 13	Valentine Happy Hour	Gary Graham 652-5509	Aug. 23	Fishing Derby and Family Picnic	Fred Cliff 652-4569
Mar. 14	Vol. 2 #2 Pointer	Anne Young 652-3859	Sept. 17	Vol. 2 #4 Pointer	Brian McCandless 652-3656
Mar. 17	St. Patrick's Day Whist	Lorraine Pommen 652-5815	Sept. 22	WPRA and Fire/Rec. Meeting	Kees van Westen 652-3872
		Jean Hughes 652-4282	Oct. 24	Willis Point Fire-Fighters Hallowe'en Masquerade	Vern McConnell 652-2996
Apr. 19	Gardening Bee	Nathan Ory 652-3249	Nov. 21	Bavarian Oktoberfest	Erik Hoel Mark Lane
Apr. 25	Spring Dance	Brian McCandless 652-3656	Dec. 31	New Year's Dance and Supper (1981)	David Price 652-1043
May 16	Masquerade Dance	Charlie Bonner 652-1588			

EVERYONE is invited to all events. Contact convener for tickets, information or offers of assistance. Everyone can participate. If you would like to convene an event or propose a new one contact Chairman Kees van Westen with your idea.



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If you are not a member of the Willis Point Ratepayers Association, now is the time to join. Send a cheque for \$5.00 made out to the WPRA to Roni Naldrett (6754 Mark Lane).

Also, let Roni know if you have a new neighbour. She will be glad to welcome them to our neighbourhood.

Special thanks to Sydnie Bonner for cleaning up all the discarded Pennysavers by the mailboxes. Thanks to all those who have been considerate and kept the area tidy.

The executive has asked each one of us to be on the look-out for anyone who throws trash in our area. If possible, get the license number and contact our chairman.

As Christmas nears, and as the price of wood increases, more people will be tempted to relieve us of our trees. The R.C.M.P. has informed us that we are to phone them with the license number of any person cutting down trees.

Do you have any suggestions or complaints about the way our community operates? If so, contact Chairman Kees van Westen to put your topic on the agenda for the next executive committee meeting of the WPRA.

Everyone is invited to attend and participate in these meetings.

It's been fun, collecting the various material for this issue and working on the new format. My thanks to the other three editors, Brian McCandless, Glor Graham and Anne Young for their ideas and help. Special thanks to Brian for all the layouts, the logo's on the advertisements and his excellent cartoons. We'd like to thank Jean Hughes for typing up the Pointer.

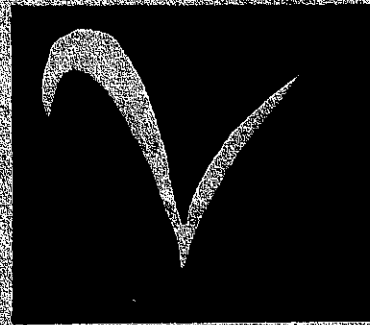
Each of us in turn would also like to thank all those people whose name you see below each article.

Please write to the Pointer if you have any suggestions on this issue or future issues. Contact your next editor Anne Young.

We now have four editors who fully realize the tremendous efforts put forth by one man - George Peairs. Our thanks and appreciation.

November 1980

Bonnie Ory
Editor



The Vial Of Life

A simple concept - It could save your life in a medical emergency.

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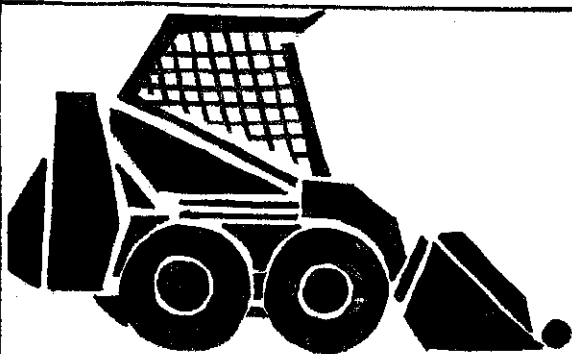
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This type of information will contribute substantially to a fast and accurate diagnosis and will enable the attending physician to begin proper treatment much sooner.

The Vial of Life will be distributed free of charge by the Willis Point Fire Dept. and can be picked up on Wednesday nights from 7:45 p.m. on.

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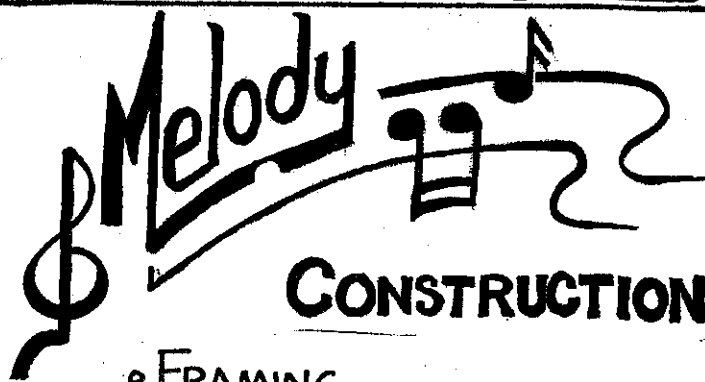
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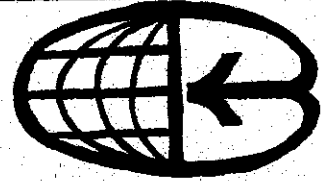
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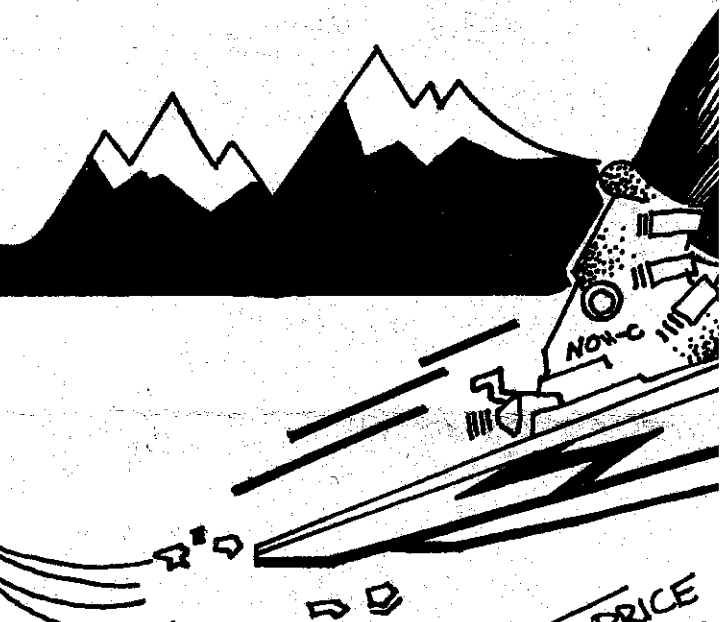
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