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After the concrete walks and floor of the pool have set thoroughly it should be filled with water and let stand for about two weeks and then emptied and refilled. The reason for this is that there will be a considerable quantity of alkali absorbed from the concrete by the first filling of water. Alkali is very detrimental to fish and other animal life which, no doubt, you will be placing in the pool, along with your water plants.

Gold fish are imported in such large quantities that they are so inexpensive that they are within the reach of the most moderate purse. The best variety for the ordinary pool are the larger species. They breed readily under almost any condition and require much less care than the fancy ones. In our opinion the larger ones attract more attention also than the small, fancy variety.

A couple of weeks ago we were spending an hour or so in a park where there is quite a large pool stocked with all sorts of gold fish. People were much more interested in the larger fish and paid little attention to the small, fancy ones.

The other day a dispute was overheard in which a boisterous ill-bred fellow called his adversary "no gentleman."

"I suppose you think yourself one?" was the reply.

"Certainly, I do," answered the bully.

"Then," said the other, "I am not offended that you don't think me one."

Hollyburn THEATRE

FRIDAY and SATURDAY
May 22nd May 23rd

'THE BIG HOUSE'

With Wallace Beery, Chester Morris, Lewis Stone, Leila Hyams and a large supporting cast.

The story was inspired by that mutiny in one of the big prisons during which several guards were killed and the prison itself wrecked.

MONDAY and TUESDAY
May 25th May 26th

"The Dawn Patrol"

Richard Barthelmess, Doug. Fairbanks, Jr., Neil Hamilton, and 46 stunt fliers in the greatest air story ever made into pictures.

A story of the British Air Forces during the Great War.

Please Note—If the weather is too bad for outdoor activities on Monday afternoon, we will run a matinee commencing at 2:00.

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TELEPHONE BRIDGE

The Duncan Lawson Chapter, I.O.D.E., is holding a Telephone Bridge on Saturday, May 30th, toward the purchase of the Inhalator for West Vancouver.

In a Telephone Bridge, each one wishing to participate arranges to have one table or more of Bridge in their own home—netting \$2.00 or more. The end of a pre-arranged number of hands the highest score for the evening is phoned into a central telephone number, and the prize which is a return ticket to Victoria, or the equivalent in money is awarded to the person having the highest score of all. Whist may also be played and a special prize will be given for that.

Further particulars will be given next week.

For full particulars phone any of the following ladies, who form the committee: Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Blair, Mrs. Leggett, Mrs. Gourlay, Mrs. Hayes.

It is hoped to make this a real community effort for the inhalator and is a splendid opportunity for everybody to assist.

Anyone desiring to donate cut flowers for decorating the May Queen's throne are asked to leave same in empty store in the Yates Block at Ambleside on Sunday afternoon or early Monday morning.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Monday afternoon the High School students were privileged to hear a very helpful address on "Vocational Guidance," by Percy Ward of the North Vancouver Kiwanis Club. Mr. Ward stressed the importance of thorough education for all of life's activities.

E. S. Gamage, chairman of the School Board, presided. This is the second of a series of vocational talks which Mr. Gamage has kindly arranged for the High School students. The first was given by M. E. Snowden two weeks ago.

Teachers and students are this afternoon attending the annual Inter-High School Track Meet at Brockton Point. Several athletes from the local school, having survived the eliminations will contest today.

Congratulations to Helen Bell and "Peggy" Cornish of the 1926 Matric. Class upon their splendid showing made in recent teachers' training examinations. The former led in Class 1 (80% and upward) while the latter led in Class 2 (65% to 79%).

Congratulations also to Jean Hood, Matric. 1927, upon receiving the degree of B.A. at U.B.C., and to Eleanor Brine, Margaret McLeod and Allix Duncan for success in recent U.B.C. examinations.

HIGHER AUTO FERRY RATES PROPOSED BY NORTH SHORE COUNCIL

Preparation of a by-law for revision of ferry automobile fares was authorized by the North Vancouver City Council Monday night. The new rate will provide 40 tickets for \$5 or 12 tickets for \$2, instead of the former schedule of 16 for \$2. Straight fare will be 25 cents each way, instead of 40 cents return as formerly.

It is pointed out that new prices will be practically the same in larger quantities of tickets, although cost will be higher in smaller books.

As the by-law must receive approval from the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council it will be approximately a month before the new tariff will be applied.

Only one book of tickets of the present issue may be sold to an individual in a day, the council decided, endeavoring to discourage those who might attempt to hoard tickets.

A letter of appreciation has been sent by the council to F. Buscombe for his very timely and public spirited gift of an inhalator at Caulfield.

BASEBALL

Last Thursday evening West Vancouver ushered in the 1931 baseball season when they were at home to the Native Sons who carried off the honors with a 7 to 1 win. About 300 attended the first game.

The following players were in uniform for West Vancouver: Catcher, Syd. Walker, Pitcher, Joe Grisedale, 1st Base, Jim Cornish, 2nd Base, Bob Fiddes, Short Stop, Bruce Hamilton, 3rd Base, Rony Watson, Left Field, Tim Timbrell, Centre Field, Winget Irish, Right Field, Harry Reid.

SCHOOL BOARD NOTES

A letter was read from Mrs. G. W. Gleed asking for use of kitchen and cloak rooms at Inglewood School on May 23rd for the purpose of holding Baby Contest. It was decided that this request be granted.

A letter was read from Rev. A. Harding Priest inviting the Board to attend a special service at St. Stephen's Church to be held on May 24th. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge this letter advising that the Board would attend.

A letter was read from Principal Patterson making request that the High School be closed on the afternoon of May 22nd in order to allow students and contestants to attend the Annual Lower Mainland High School track meet at Brockton Point. It was resolved that this request be granted.

A letter was read from Mr. H. Brown, Secretary Sports Committee, asking permission to hold public school track meet on Tuesday, June 2nd, and the usual grant be allowed. It was resolved that this request be granted and amount of \$60.00 be allowed for closing exercises for the two public schools, and \$10.00 for Dunderave School. It was decided that Trustees Mrs. Masterman and Mr. Russell represent the Board at the public school sports.

A letter was read from the Department of Education advising that any application for financial assistance re school grounds in regard to unemployment funds should come through the Municipal Council to the Provincial Government. It was resolved that a copy of this letter be forwarded to the Reeve and Council, together with request that the Council co-operate with the Board in an effort to carry out a comprehensive scheme for the beautification of the grounds of Inglewood School.

Mr. Condon attended and submitted report in connection with the first concert given by the School Band on May 1st. Receipts were shown to be \$102.75, and disbursements \$15.00, leaving a balance of \$87.25 to the credit of the Band. Mr. Condon recommended that a portion of this amount be used as required for instructional purposes.

The council on Thursday, 7th inst, instructed the police to make a complete check up of all the licenses in the municipality.

A general discussion took place regarding trade licenses and water rates and the matter was left for final recommendation of the committees at the next regular meeting of the council.

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WEST VANCOUVER AT THE FESTIVAL

Miss Beatrice Hodgson won the silver medal for violin under 16, and she and Miss Irene Gracey secured first place and certificates for violin duet under 19 years.

Miss Jessie Davies placed second and won a certificate for violin under 10 years.

These are pupils of Miss Margaret McIntyre.

The Dunderave Ladies' Choir under the direction of Mrs. F. X. Hodgson tied for second place in the Ladies' Choir competition on Wednesday night. Particulars are as follows: 1. First United Church Ladies' Choir of Victoria, 177 marks; 2nd, Dunderave Ladies' Choir and Vancouver Welsh Ladies' Choir, 171 marks each.

Hollyburn School choir came second in the competition open to all public schools for the lieutenant-governor's shield, which was won by Carleton School, Vancouver.

Class 64, Girls, Solo, under 15 years, high voice.

With a competitive force of 46 voices keen competition existed. Out of the six contestants from West Vancouver Jean Kinloch was given 81 marks to her credit with complimentary adjudication, being the highest in her class from this municipality.

With regard to F. J. Moore's application for a building permit the council regretted they had no alternative but to abide by the by-law which prohibits the issue of permits under such conditions, his property not being in a business area.

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