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# NOTES FROM THE PAST

The following recipes are taken from a book called Vivilore, by Dr. Mary R. Melendy, copyright, 1904.

## SLIPPERY ELM TEA

"Pour one cup hot water over one teaspoon powdered slipper elm bark, or over a piece of the fresh bark.

Cool, strain and flavor with a very little lemon and sugar.

Good for inflamed mucous surfaces.

(Slipper Elm is also called Red Elm, and grows from Canada to the Mexican border. The mucilaginous inner bark of the tree was the part used for medicinal purposes....if any one knows of a slippery elm, and tries the tea, it would be nice to know whether it helped to cure a cold!)



## BRAIN FOOD

"One cup entire wheat flour, one quart boiling water, salt to taste. Wet the flour in a little cold water and stir it into the salted boiling water. Cook over brisk fire one hour and a half. Serve hot or cold, with sugar or cream.

There was also a homeopathic medicine called Brain Food, which sold for \$1.00 per bottle. Sample bottles sold for 25 cents.

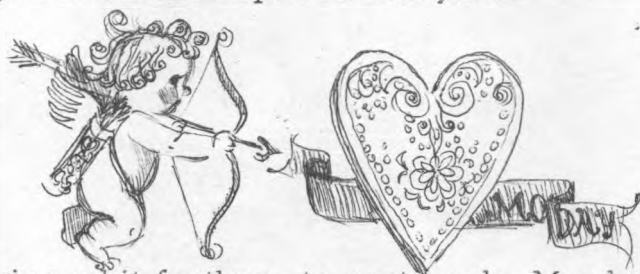
( Now-days, we call it cream of wheat---) ?



JOLLY OLD

# ST. VALENTINE

Tomorrow (Saturday) is Valentine's Day, and you can take your sweetheart to .... The Masquer's, to enjoy their new play, "Separate Tables at 8:30..... to the comedy, "Where's Charlie", playing at the First Unitarian Church in Kensington, as a benefit for the Richmond - Shimada Friendship Commission..... or to a valentine dance sponsored by the Latin American Student Union of Contra Costa College, with a band named "Oija", and entertainment from S.F.'s Casbah Club, including Middle Eastern Music and a belly dancer. The 9 p.m. dance in the college cafeteria is open to everyone.



♥ Going a bit further, to next week, Monday at 9:30 a.m., another excursion will begin from behind the Old Firehouse, at the parking lot. Excursion No. 3, to which anyone interested is invited, will explore the possible happy solution which may develop in the conflict of interests between the motorcyclist on the one hand and the residents of Point Richmond and proponents of the Hill and Shoreline Park on the other.

Well aware of the fact that motorcycling is a growing sport, the Contra Costa Shoreline Parks Committee feels that a new area must be found for the enthusiastic cyclers who use the Point Richmond hills which will soon become Regional Park land. Besides the noise, especially on weekends, the February 2nd excursion of the committee revealed that all seven of the hills are becoming deeply eroded. It has been reported that the Ramblers Motorcycle Club shared these concerns and wish to locate on another site.

Just such a site may be available, and the Monday February 16th expedition will be devoted to inspecting it. Chief City Planner,

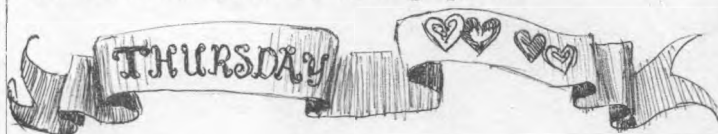
Ernest Henderson, has found an area on public lands, away from possible residential developments, with exciting hillsides for "scrambling," and rallies.

A member of the Ramblers will accompany the group to evaluate the site from a motorcyclist's point of view.

A properly situated and maintained motorcycle area can be profitable, especially if it is suitable for competitions, has eating facilities and a club house. Anyone interested in a park for motorcyclers is invited to come along.



Then, there's Tuesday evening... at 7:30 there are two meetings; one at Grant School, the second in a series presented by the Richmond Unified School District on Drugs, this one entitled "What's Happening Here?" with Dr. Wood of the health department and Officer Smith of the police department. This meeting will be followed on the next Tuesday by the third and last in the series, entitled "Addicts Speak." .... The other meeting is at a building at Twelfth and Nevin, also at 7:30 p.m., sponsored by the Committee to Save Downtown Richmond, described later in this paper.



Thursday brings Founders Day Programs to those PTA members from Washington and Roosevelt schools. Washington School's Founders Day begins at 11 a.m., and features "Memories on Parade", the presentation of an Honorary Life Membership award, a short performance by children in Recorder classes, and a luncheon at noon.

Roosevelt Junior High School's Founders Day begins at 7:30 p.m. (not at dinner-time as reported last week), in the Music Room, 201. The program will consist of a fashion show by the eighth grade home-making class, an Honorary Life Membership award, and refreshments following the program.

### 3. PLANNING THE DOWN-TOWN-POINT

On Thursday evening also is a meeting of interest to many Point residents and business people. The Planning Commission will have on its agenda (as far as we know) an item concerned with the recently installed motorcycle shop on West Richmond Avenue, and the proposal that such a place of business must have a Provisional Use permit in order to locate in a commercial area. Everyone interested is urged to attend, in the City Council Chambers, at 8 p.m.

### TOUR VIENNA FREE!

"Vienna by Camera" is the title of an exhibit now on display at Contra Costa College's library gallery. The collection includes photographs of Vienna's people, architecture, and historical landmarks. The show was organized and photographed by Dr. Charles W. Lovy, chairman of CCC's language department.

For Dr. Lovy it was a labor of love, since he was born in Vienna, and received his doctorate at the University of Vienna before coming to the United States.

Gallery hours are 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday.

### LERONE BENNETT *at*

C.C.C.

On Thursday, February 19 a third event will take place, as part of the Contra Costa College Black History Week events: Lerone Bennett, Jr., will speak on "Reading Writing and Racism" in the Contra Costa Gymnasium at 8 p.m. Bennett is senior editor of Ebony magazine, and has lectured widely on social, political and historical subjects. His poems, short stories and articles have appeared in national periodicals.

In addition to his work as a reporter and magazine writer, Bennet has published four books on black history, and a biography of

Martin Luther King, jr.

On February 21, a Black Arts Festival will culminate the week's activities, with activities from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The third annual festival will feature noon-hour activities each day of the week, including fashion shows, exhibits, music, etc. Soul Food will be served during the noon hour.

All events on the campus are free and open to the public. Further information on the week's events may be obtained by calling the college at 235-7800, ext. 230.

### A POINT REPRODUCTION

Great Plans are underway right now, and will officially form on Sunday with a meeting of all participants from Point Richmond in the "Wonder Fair" to be presented at the Oakland Coliseum from April 29 to May 3.

An entire Point Richmond Area will be planned for one section of the Coliseum, and so far includes participants from the Pumpkin Eater children's boutique, Pablo Fanques Fair, Sun Landscape and Point International, plus the artists and craftsmen who supply many of their unusual items.

More artists and craftsmen and business people are invited to join the group, in "Putting Point Richmond on the map". Besides, the event at the Coliseum will be a chance to display and sell merchandise on a grand scale.

With Point Richmond in the center of a "Whole Earth Fair", the excitement has already begun to spread. Anyone interested in joining the group may get more detailed information from Barbara Anderson at Pablo Fanques Fair, 237-0868, or Bobbie Macfaden at the Pumpkin Eater, 237-4073.

### AUCTION...

The KQED Auction preparations are underway. The annual auction is a week-long event on Channel 9, that helps the non-commercial educational station meet its budget. Call 237-4073 with donations.

## WASHINGTON PLAYGROUND

# Activities

• The Playground will be open until 5:30 beginning February 16.....

• Anyone having suggestions for possible classes, please come to the playground, as we are working on the **SPRING SCHEDULE**.

• We will be **CLOSED** February 23, Washington's Birthday.



Thank you  
Harold Crawford  
Judy Davis

## Making MUSIC

The East Bay Music Center's Second recital will take place Saturday, February 14 at 1 p.m. in the auditorium of its headquarters, Grace Lutheran Church, 2369 Barrett Avenue. Richard Letts, whose classes at the last recital were greatly enjoyed by everyone, will again display the classes' ability to improvise on a theme. Their theme this time will be E. E. Cummings poem, "Anyone Lived in a Pretty New Town."

The East Bay Music Center offers musical training on almost any instrument, and includes vocal training and theory, plus the classes in improvisation, and workshops.

Anyone of any age may become a student at the Center, which is conveniently located near the bus line, in the center of Richmond. For information regarding any part of their program, call 234-5624.



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## REMINISCING

The "Reminiscing" page gave way this week to a reminiscent trip to the East Brother Light House Station on the following pages. However, this item, from 50 years ago, appeared in the Richmond Independent, of February 18, 1920.....

### BUSINESS ACTIVITY AT THE POINT.....

"There is a big stir of activity at the Point and a number of business places that have been vacant for some time are being opened.

"One of the largest places is the Liberty Market at No. 6 Washington Ave., of which A. Mazza is the head. It carries a complete line of fruits, vegetables and groceries.

"J. S. Weston has opened a new and second hand store of furniture at No. 16 Washington Avenue.

"Farther up the street at No. 100 Washington Avenue, A. Blesio has embarked on the notions, men's furnishings and shoe business."

## A DAY AT THE RACES

Volunteers and friends are cordially invited to have a fun day at the races, Friday, March 6, while at the same time benefiting the American Cancer Society. The third Annual ACS Race Day will include a social hour starting at 11 a.m. and luncheon at noon at the Golden Gate Field Turf Club. Tickets at \$7.00 per person will include luncheon and the donation of \$3.50 to the American Cancer Society. Tickets are available at the ACS office in Richmond, 232-9130.

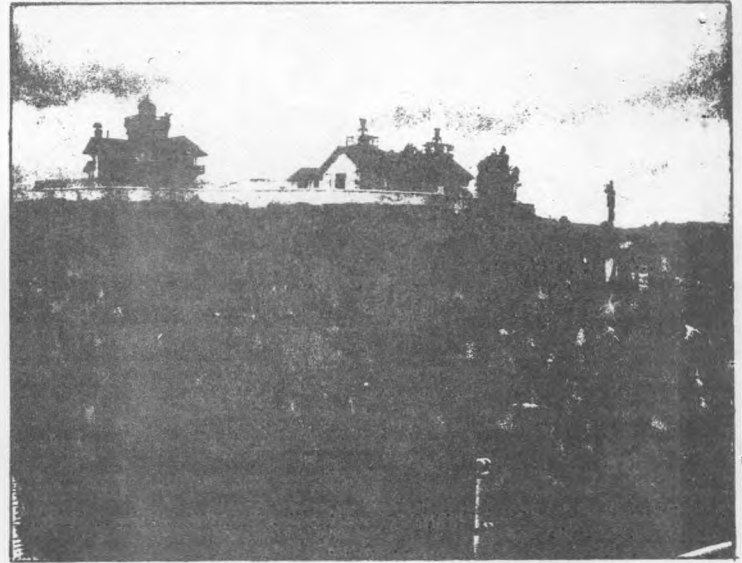
On Tuesday, February 17, Frank Stead will be featured, speaking on "Preserving Environmental Quality in the 1970's, at 7:30 p.m., Mulford Hall, UC, Berkeley.

## 5. EXCURSION #2 1/2

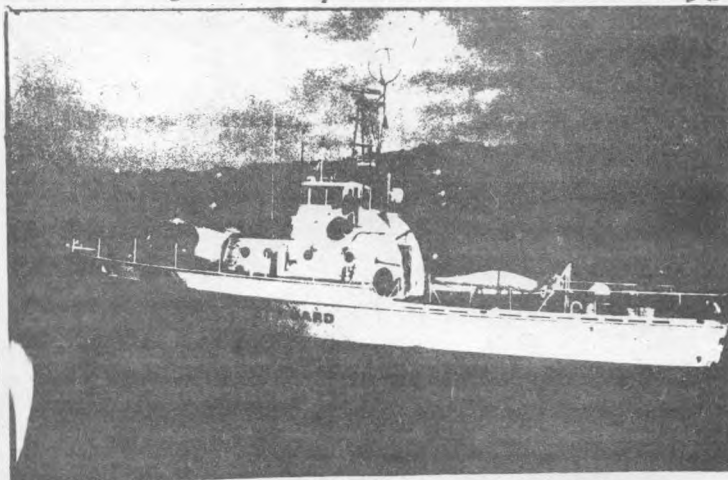
Their latent paranoia stirred by a hint from the "Tennis Shoe Underground" that the East Brother Island Lighthouse is again in danger of being demolished, a small hastily-gathered band of ladies from the Contra Costa Shoreline Parks Committee donned raingear and set sail from Red Rock Marina in the Point Winslow, a handsome 82-foot U.S. Coast Guard Patrol Ship at 10 a.m. on a beautiful stormy Lincoln's Birthday; accompanied by one husband (Capt. T. Edwards), one son (film-maker Crhis Vincent) their official Coast Guard host, Chief Dennis Thompson, KPIX Channel 5 newscaster David Monsees and photographer Buster DeBrunner. The tour was arranged by Commander Doan of the Coast Guard. Photos on these pages are the result of some hastily processed polaroid shots; much clearer films will soon be available; and, as a matter of fact, if you watch KPIX Eyewitness News during the next week, at 6 p.m. weekdays, you should see some glorious shots of the Lighthouse buildings, plus the rare sound of the old fog horns on the island.

Chief Engineer John Taylor and his lively crew guided the ship through the choppy Bay waters, happy to be on a "Pleasure" cruise instead of their regular duty of search and rescue on the coast between Santa Cruz and Point Reyes. As they neared the dock at the Lighthouse Island, the wind and rain made landing difficult; however a bright voice from amid the tennis-shoed ladies assured the crew that there was a tug-boat Captain in their midst, and there was nothing to worry about. They unloaded pas-

sengers, cameras, microphones, notepads, and immediately took off to break in the ship's new engine. This was an unexpected turn of events, and suddenly there the ladies were--stranded on an island with four men, a boy, and no coffee.

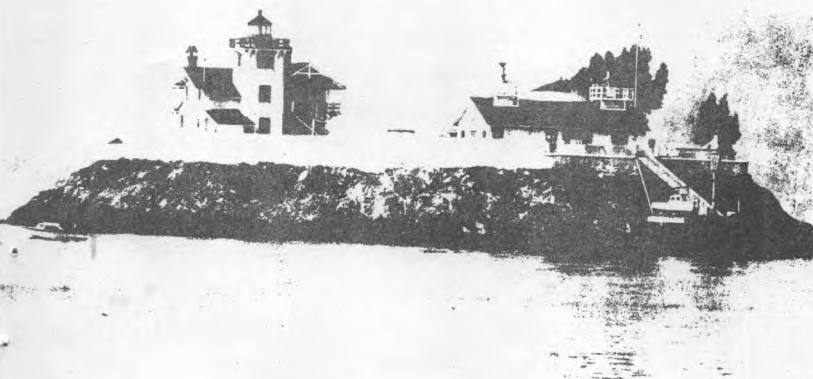


Chief Thompson, who was a part of the last crew to man the island, led the group to the beautiful 96-year old turreted house which is still in fine condition, though now boarded up. Thompson, who arrived at the Light House Station in 1967 for a six-month stay, remained there happily until June of 1969, due to the public reaction against demolishing the Lighthouse. He obviously was enjoying his homecoming, and the ladies were enjoying the chance to inspect everything at close range.





Partially for the benefit of the TV program's sound track, and partially (we believe) because of a nostalgic desire on his part, Chief Thompson reactivated the motors which provided air compression for the bellows leading to the fog horns that were used until six months ago. All hands were instructed to stand clear for the first blasts of the old fog horns. And, belching a magnificent spray of trapped rainwater, the sound of the old fog horns was heard once more. At close range, the deep drone vibrated through the bodies of the enthralled spectators. Echoing back from the Point hills, the sound was a beautiful but sad reminder that the next foggy day would activate the electronic horn with its ear-splitting unmusical signal.



The danger of losing the wonderful Bay site lies in the stubborn fact that, though various governmental agencies have shown interest in its preservation, none is willing to release funds to provide it even with a watchman. The best hope seems now to lie in the direction of a private organization for maintenance. But who will? The committee hopes that, by letting people know about the Lighthouse, someone will come and save it!

Encouraged by recent interest by the state and national governments, the Contra Costa Parks Council has proposed construction of a hike-and-bike trail from Pleasanton through Walnut Creek, to Martinez, and thence to Pinole, generally following the Southern Pacific Railroad right-of-way. The proposal was endorsed by the State of California Recreation Trails Advisory Committee, which recommended that the state establish the trail as a pilot project.



## WHO CONTROLS WHAT?

A "Constitutional Convention" scheduled for April 18 at UC, sponsored by the Institute of Governmental Studies is open to all citizens of the Bay Area. To study and debate the future of a regional organizational government in the Bay Area is the purpose of the convention. Titled "Bay Area Regional Organization -- 1970", the meeting will focus on how the Bay Area can develop practical forms of government organization that will meet the increasing problems of our region.

Information about the coming conference may be obtained by calling 642-6722.



## USE .. AND RE-USE

An example of the kind of conservation that should be expanded was cited in the Wall Street Journal. According to a report, eleven per cent of the nation's newsprint is recycled, saving the equivalent of 34,000 acres of trees. Old newspapers are collected at various points by the Boy Scouts, and the Jobs Daughters collect old newspapers if you call 234-0814.

Reynolds Aluminum, Hayward, offers 1/2 cent for used beer cans and soft drink cans of aluminum. An enterprising group of young people could provide a collection agency for the cans.

Recycling of garbage is becoming a likely answer to the threat of society's submergence in a festering tide of waste materials.

## 7. WEST SIDE LIBRARY



by Mary Burkhard

There will be NO film or story program tomorrow morning for children. The librarian is actually going to have 3 days off in a row. The afternoon library hours will be the same: 2:00-6:00 as usual.

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A new novel at West Side is A LITTLE TIME FOR LAUGHTER by Bay Area author Alfred Coppel. It is the story of the war-baby generation and what is becoming of them. From hopeful, idealistic beginnings these young people encounter the first cruel cuts of chance and then overwhelming realities of war. Later their lives press forward into an increasingly tangled web, a raw mixture of joys and troubles; families grow, careers and businesses advance, and fate continues to test them all.

This is a tale of our time and is essentially about us. It concerns youth and maturity, compromise and commitment, hope and desires, failure and triumph. It is honest and real.

## WHEN JULIUS CAESAR



by Curtis Beresford

(Since the book referred to by Mr. B. is available at the West Side, there is some connection between the two articles on this page)

To those who are interested in menus one Macrobius relates what he was served at a formal banquet given by Julius Caesar sometime circa 60 B.C. The account is given in an absorbing and exhaustive book written by Pierre Grimal, professor of

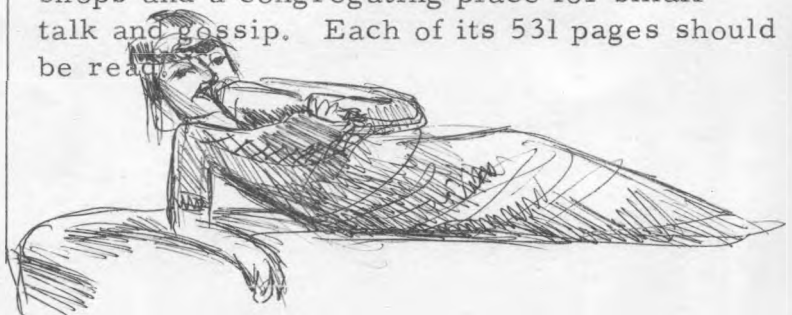
Latin Literature at the Sorbonne.

Caesar was a man who did things in a big way. His banquets were feasts. The banquets were usually limited to nine guests, the number of the Muses. Couches were arranged in a horseshoe around a single table. Each couch accommodated three guests. While there were butlers each guest brought his own slave as an attendant.

The meal opened with hors d'oeuvres: shell fish, oysters, mussels, a thrush served with asparagus, a boiled fowl, chestnuts and a sauce made from mussels and oysters. A sweet wine went with this preliminary. Then came the first course of other shell fish, fillets of wild boar, poultry and game pie. The guests were by this time ready to eat the main course. Large trays were served, each guest choosing among pig's head, ragouts of fish, duck and hare, and roast fowl. Then came the serious drinking. As each guest had his slave to see him home, there was no holding back. Drinking was a man's prerogative, the Romans undoubtedly holding that wine was too good for women.

In those days nothing came out of a can and delicatessens had not been invented.

The excerpt cited above is one of the many intimate details of Roman life of which the book The Civilization of Rome is replete. The book is thoroughly researched and factual. It corrects many of the concepts we have of Roman life of the ancient period which we have derived from plays and paintings. It is not a book for speed reading. It is so weighted with fascinating information that it should be read slowly over a period of weeks. From the book is learnt what the Roman citizen ate, the arrangement of his house, his pleasures and entertainment. We learn that the forum was not solely a place for oratory but also a sort of super-market with many shops and a congregating place for small talk and gossip. Each of its 531 pages should be read.



## EXCURSION # 4

### TO THE NORTH

Because of the George Washington's birthday holiday, the North Richmond Wild-Cat Creek park excursion will take place on Monday, March 2nd. As usual, the group will meet at the parking lot at the Old Fire-house at 9:30 a.m., equipped with boots and lunch. (Tennis shoes are usually de rigueur for the group, but if it is raining, of course you may wear anything you wish!!!)

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### PTA PLANS

- The Roosevelt PTA is planning to take a booth at the Flea Market being organized by Kennedy High PTA for Saturday, May 2. Start saving items for the fund raising event now!

- Cars and drivers are needed to help provide transportation so that Roosevelt Junior High students will be able to go on field trips.

At the present time the District has no funds for field trips. As a result, teachers are not able to take advantage of many educational experiences readily available in the Bay Area.

It would seem a simple thing, considering how many cars there are in our area, to provide transportation for a class of 25 to 30 students. The PTA is going to try to do just this. If you could help out by driving a group of students occasionally, during school hours, please let PTA president Russell Paasch know, and you will receive a form for information necessary to the school. Call him at 235-8947.

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A note to all people who send in contributions of articles, poems, etc., : Your work is gratefully received, but please sign your name, even if you don't want it included.

## NAACP SUPPORTS <sup>8.</sup>

### SUIT

In a recent action, announced on Wednesday, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Richmond and El Cerrito branches, the organization strongly supports the desegregation of local schools.

They announced that they are backing the work of the Legal Services Foundation in its suit, "because we believe in quality education for all, but specifically for the black students who are being deprived," said spokesman Mrs. Virginia Robinson of the Richmond branch.

They said that, if need be, they would lend legal assistance to the desegregation, which they feel is retrogressing instead of advancing.

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### Recipe

from Isabel's Kitchen

#### NUT COOKIES

- 1 14 oz. can condensed milk
- 1 egg, large - beaten
- 1 cup oats
- 2 cups corn flakes, crushed
- 1 cup chopped walnuts
- 1 cup chopped almonds
- 1 cup shredded coconut
- 3 tsp. vanilla

Mix together all ingredients; drop by teaspoonfuls into a well-buttered cookie sheet. Bake at 350° for about 15 minutes, or until brown.

Note: My piano teacher likes my cookies.



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by Mid Dornan  
(234-5334)

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Connie Healy  
Jennie Pearson  
Frank Pearson (both the same day)  
Drexil Holladay  
Dick Smith  
Brion Wilbanks  
Sharon Amantite  
Bessie Squires  
Linda Werner (Valentine's  
Day!)

And a happy Valentine's Day to each of you. Take time to observe this day by showing a token of affection for someone who is special to you.

Previously it was reported that when taking a trip, gasoline was cheaper than LSD. Not so, sez A.Reeder.... Gasoline is much harder on your kidneys!

"It was a dark and stormy night...." but Connie Healy still says "thanks" to the friends for their birthday shanghai shennanigans.

Leaving Saturday via plane to Michigan is Lucille Holladay who will spend several weeks visiting her daughter and family, the Jerry McCuans.

Are you wondering about that rare and unusual plant in the Richmond Supply Company window? It is a beautiful African Amarilla, a Christmas gift that wasn't delivered until several weeks after, because it was retained in the agriculture quarantine of customs.

A children's choir is being organized by Edna Hathaway at the First Methodist Church. They meet at 4:00 on Thursdays.

The Linda Bianchi - Leslie Crim Wedding last Saturday had an attendance that looked like a Point Who's Who! Linda's Mother, Mary Neel, promised detailed information but also promised herself five days of sleep after the excitement, so a write-up will have to wait a week. We can tell you that Les's mother, Helen, was granted a short hospital leave to be at the nuptials.

Congratulations to Coral Campbell for attaining the honor roll at 3R's School in San Rafael.

Point heroines Anna Healy and Kay Thompson, with the permission of Anna's father, took his boat out into the Bay to rescue a fisherman in distress. They successfully towed his boat back to shore.

Things you learn on a hospital visit: GUM is the only item not dispensed from the traveling gift cart.

Jim Wilson's father, who is in his late 90's, is in the hospital Jackson, but Jim's confident he will return home soon. Mr. Wilson Sr. lives alone.

Mabel Edwards is recuperating from eye surgery.

Joyce Wear is nursing a severely cut hand that was cut accidentally in a glass door.

Larry Wilson left in January for 12 months duty in Vietnam. Larry is serving as a dental assistant.

Don't you love the fresh smell of new rain!

Sonja Dutrieux, who moved a couple years ago to open a beauty salon in El Sobrante, has been seriously ill.

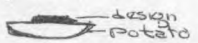
CAMP FIRE MINTS ARE STILL ON

SALE! continued. page 18.



## 11. Things to do

### Potato Printing

Cut a large potato in half. Design a triangle (or other shape) with a pencil on the cut side of the potato. Cut away the outside of the design, so that the design is raised.  Fold a piece of cloth into a square and soak it with tempera paint to make an ink pad. Ink the design and stamp on paper with a soft surface. You can decorate tissue paper and use it for gift wrapping.

### Puzzles

Paste magazine pictures, photographs, your own drawings, etc. on cardboard. Then cut them into large jigsaw puzzle pieces. This would make a nice birthday gift for one of your friends.

### MOTHERS!

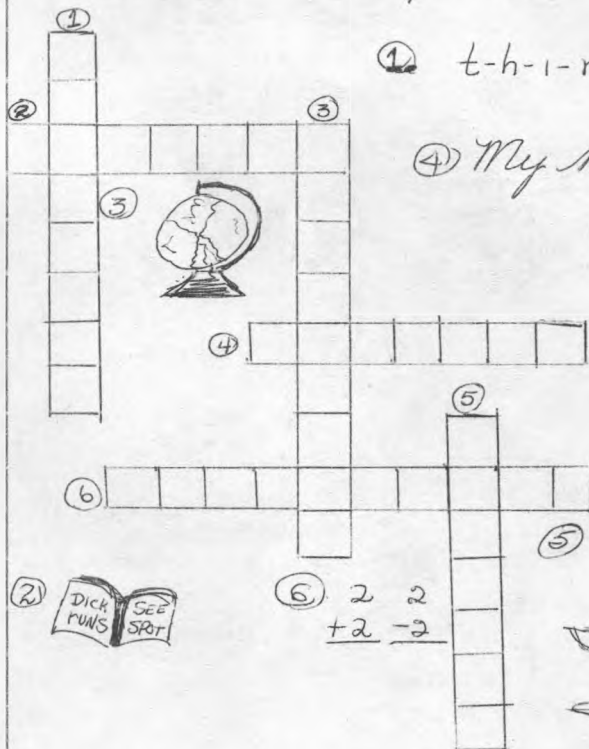
Your child's drawings can be collected in a scrapbook. Cut out pictures pasted on uniform sheets can be sewed or stapled into book form. Let your child select the theme and title for his book and dictate the text. He can design the cover, too - making his own drawings, cutting out his own pictures.



① Spelling  
② History  
③ Arithmetic  
④ Reading  
⑤ Geography  
⑥ Writing

### Picture Lizzie

Things WE LEARN AT SCHOOL.  
(this one is tricky - watch out.)



① t-h-i-n-k

④ My name



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### Do you need a second clue?

- When you do this, you say each letter of the word.
- When you learn this, you will be able to look at books and understand what they say.
- This subject will teach us where California is located.
- When we learn this, we no longer have to print.
- This tells us what happened in 1492.
- We learn to count change, apples, divide the pie, and learn about sets with this subject.

Answers

# Downtown ~ Up or Down?

Questions about the possible fate of Downtown Richmond will be posed at a meeting to which all residents are invited, on February 17 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will take place in the building at Twelfth and Nevin, formerly the Church of the Rock of Ages.

Sponsored by the Citizens' Committee to Save Downtown Richmond, O'Brien Felix, chairman, the meeting will feature Louis Wolf, chairman of the Board of Directors of Development Research Associates, and economic consultant to the Redevelopment Agency. Questions about the need for a major shopping center in the downtown area of Richmond will be discussed; plus the reason for the preference for shopping centers on Tank Farm Hill or on Appian Way near Pinole, as proposed by Douglas Myers, consultant to the City Council and City Manager.

Citizens to Save Downtown Richmond feel that Richmond cannot afford to give up its downtown as a major shopping and commercial area. The resulting loss of jobs, loss of tax revenue and loss of convenience to this city would be tremendous. Mr. Wolf will be asked to discuss studies his firm has made of the downtown Richmond area, and to answer questions on the subject.

CURAC members have been invited to the meeting, and all residents of Richmond concerned about the downtown area are cordially invited to come to the informative meeting.



## Ecofaire

Ecofaire, a conference and fair sponsored by the Richmond Federation of Teachers, is planned for March 13 and 14 at Kennedy High School. Designed to focus the attention of the community on environmental concerns, the conference will feature several prominent speakers on the subject. Among them will be Dr. Fred Tarp of Contra Costa College, Dr. Joel Fort, Public Health Specialist, Cliff Humphrey, anthropologist

and Director of Ecology Action Education Institute, Dr. Marc Lappe, cancer research specialist at UC, and Hugh Brady, Director of Ecology Action in San Francisco.

An art contest is being sponsored in junior and senior high schools throughout the County, besides other exhibits, films and entertainment.

Co-chairmen of the committee planning Ecofaire are Clare Willey, teacher at Pinole Valley High School, and F.B. Mason, Contra Costa College student.

**F.D.R.**

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13. Trivia, continued

Looking for an inexpensive afternoon of recreation? Why not take a walk across the Golden Gate Bridge? On a clear day, the view has to be the most magnificent of any walk in the world. If you can manage, take along a native so he can tell you about the day he was excused from school to be in the first-day foot traffic across the newly-opened bridge and also about the issuing of certificates to those making the trip.

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Overheard last Monday as two small boys were riding past on their bicycles... "Hey, look at the rainbow! "

"I know... I'm going to the end of it!"

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Did you miss the Sweetheart Tea today? Then you missed a very special program. Frances Smith was chairman and the "Opera" as a surprise and treat to even those on the committee.

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Why not treat your special someone on Valentine's Day at the Firehouse Ice Cream Parlor? It is the perfect setting.

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A century ago Tom Thumb charged 25 cents a kiss and women found it fascinating to peck the midget on the cheek. He didn't mind, he made about \$100, 000 a year!

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Hope many of you are planning to attend the Washington PTA Founders Day on Thursday as members have been working hard. Who will receive the Honorary Service Award, --- will it be YOU? The Annual Cub Scout Blue and Gold Dinner follows that night. What a day for eating!

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Did you know that the Methodist parsonage blew its roof during the last big storm? Now members are frantically planning ways to finance a new one. There has been extensive damage to the interior too.

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San Francisco rates fifth on the list of the alleged healthiest major cities in the U. S. A.

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Jo Palenchar would like to hear about some of your "fix-it ideas" and shares one of hers..

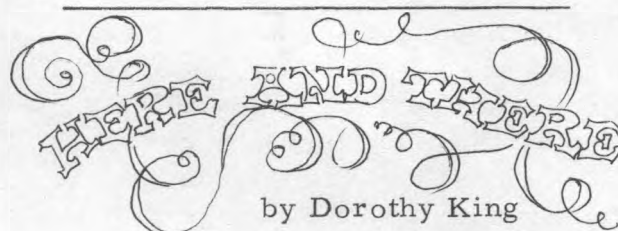
"For instance, I recovered two of my chairs with an old bedspread ( I am really proud of myself). It was saving , not throwing away my spread, and the two chairs are now useable. "

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Iconoclast Ellen Peck comments to parents of teenagers, "Chaos is the result of lack of example, not of permissiveness. For example, children acquire such solid values that the subject of permissiveness becomes almost irrelevant. I believe in setting an example rather than making rules. "

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Margaret Coynesis in Brookside Hospital.



On February 17th, the Point Orient will be the scene of a fashion show, presented by Alexandria, dress designer in Richmond, formerly of San Francisco.

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Maddalena Bernardi, 92, of 617 Posey St. Point Richmond, died this week.

Born in Italy, she lived here for 60 years, and was a member of Our Lady of Mercy Church. Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Madeline Ferris, Mrs. Angela Canellos and Mrs. Teresa Meneghelli, and three sons, Louis Bernardi, Anthony Bernardi and Joseph Bernardi, also eight grandchildren and seven great grandchildren, AND two great-great grandchildren.

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Janice and Mike Hongola welcomed a new daughter, Jennifer on January 30 from the Richmond hospital.

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Mary Strickland and Burle Snodgrass were married in Reno on February 7th. The Snodgrass' are happily married and residing in Point Richmond.

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Floyd Scalberg is home from the hospital.

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(really!)

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which look quite insecure from sliding. In all fairness, the tank scar is not the worst offender on this formerly lovely hill.

Our next stop was atop Terrace Hills, where the tank access road had cut a big scar up the hill. Mr. Neivergeld pointed out that the district had painted the tanks to blend into the hills, and had left existing trees around the installations where possible (this area being richly endowed with hills is not quite in the same position as Point Richmond Regional Park site with its precious seven hill tops).

Perhaps the most interesting observation that the group made was that the Island of Belvedere with a larger area than all of Point Richmond, has no water storage tank at all to mar it. All the water used there is pumped from other tanks, in order not to mar the beauty of the land. It is thought to be worth the extra expense.

As the group sat on a Marin hilltop eating lunch and delighting in the Bay views, they discussed the idea that it would certainly be an investment in the public interest if the East Bay Municipal Utilities District will consider Nicholl Nob worth preserving for the enjoyment of park users, and give up any plans for tank building here.

The members took notes assiduously about pumping and so here are a few items:

It costs \$4.00 per million gallons of water to raise the level 100 feet. The Marin Municipal Utilities District pumps 80 per cent of its water (some of it is pumped three times). However, property values and park values are greatly increased wherever the landscape can be left in its natural beauty. In other words, Conservation does not cost....it pays!

The excursion ended with a visit to the working Bay Model run by the Army Engineers, and then tea and pastry was enjoyed at the Trade Fair overlooking Sausalito harbor.

P.S. The Marin Municipal Water District owns 16,000 acres of watershed on Mount Tamalpais.



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# LETTERS

The Point's perennial problem (especially since 1961) is again pointed out. The city's only action since the time that the spur track aggravated the already-transgressed landscape of Point Richmond, was to rescind a portion of a city ordinance which limited the use of the spur track near the school to the hours of 5 p.m. to 8 a.m.

Mr. Ken Smith, City Manager  
Richmond, California

Dear Mr. Smith:

Last Sunday evening I witnessed an action which must certainly have violated some section of the Municipal Code, to wit:

One Santa Fe train, made up primarily of "piggy back" flat cars managed to block, at the same time, the three major access roads (Cutting Blvd., Garrard Blvd., and Washington Avenue via Standard Avenue) to Point Richmond.

For a period of approximately 5 minutes, it would have been virtually impossible for an emergency vehicle to get in or out of the Point residential or business area.

I would urge that the City immediately take whatever action is necessary to insure that such an action by Santa Fe does not occur again. In addition, it would seem reasonable for the City to initiate an investigation and survey of the increased train activity near Washington Elementary School during normal school hours, including those hours when the children are arriving or leaving the school.

Very truly yours,  
Contra Costa Legal  
Services Foundation

(signed) Mark Peppard  
Attorney at Law.

# AN UN-EXHIBIT

In the latest exhibit to enter the galleries of the Richmond Art Center, it isn't just the exhibit that's far-out, it's the entire procedure of setting up the exhibit which makes this particular show, the Sculpture Annual, particularly peculiar.

Larry Bell, noted Los Angeles sculptor and one of the five artists invited by the Museum of Modern Art, New York, to create their current exhibition, SPACES, was the sole juror of the Annual. His selection, which reflects an attitude taken by many serious sculptors recently, may give rise to a whole new art category for exhibitions.

Of the 152 entries submitted for the show, three were accepted for exhibition. Of the three, two -- one each by Paul Kos and James McCready, will be exhibited in the Center. The third, by Terry Fox, will be described on an exhibition plate, but will be exhibited in the artist's San Francisco studio.

Of the 149 pieces of sculpture not selected, all received first prize, with the money divided equally among submitting artists. And, because none will be exhibited, curator Tom Marioni stated that it has become necessary to add object-oriented sculpture to the Designer-Craftsmen annual next fall.

The unusual exhibit, of two "conceptual" rather than tangible sculptures are reproduced in the catalogue of the exhibit. The exhibit ends on March 15.

## POWERFUL DECISION

A ruling is expected this month from the Public Utilities Commission, on whether PG & E will be allowed to place a high-voltage power line on massive steel towers across Briones Regional Park. Opposition from the public, the Sierra Club and the Contra Costa Park Council, and Senator John Nejedly was voiced at a hearing before the Commission. Whether the lines will be permitted to deface the beautiful park will soon be known.

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19. Here And There, continued

Mr. Marshall Bidwell celebrated his thirty-ninth birthday with a big party at Clear Lake Oaks, at Clear Lake.

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Mr. Eugene Wright, who is from Haure, Montana, is visiting his father, Mr. Charles Wright here in Point Richmond.

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Mr. George Meadows, who fell down and broke his leg, is recovering in Kaiser Hospital in Oakland.

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LOST

CASPER, a friendly white kitty. Casper has been missing for 2 1/2 weeks from his home on Scenic Avenue. If you have found him, please call 237-3453. He was wearing a little pink flea collar, and a brown collar.

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FEB. 16 - Monday  
9:30 a.m. Excursion 3 to proposed  
new motorcycle park area. Leave  
from parking area behind Old Fire-  
house on Railroad Ave.

FEB. 17 - Tuesday  
7:30 Grant School .RUSD program  
on drugs.

FEB. 17 - 7:30 p.m. 12th & Nevin, Meeting  
on Richmond Downtown developments.

FEB. 19 - Thursday  
11 a.m. Washington School Founders  
Day, Luncheon 12 noon.

FEB. 19 - Thursday  
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FEB. 19 - Thursday  
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FEB. 19 - Thursday  
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Bennett, lecture. Gymnasium.

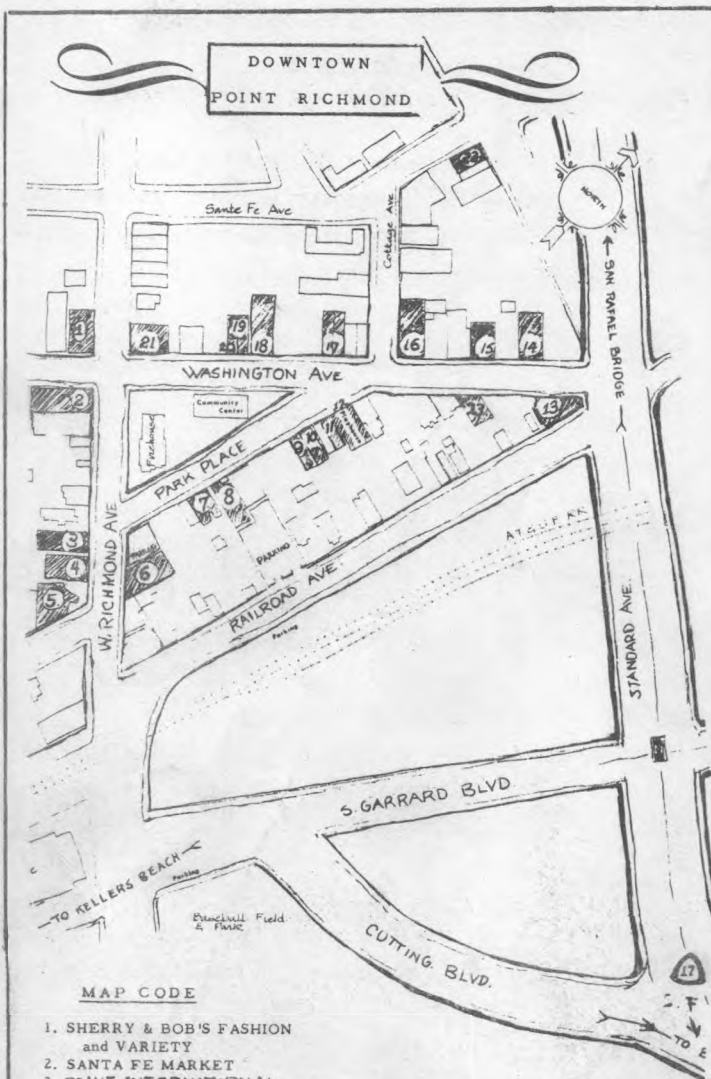
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Excursion 4 - 9:30 p.m. to North  
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