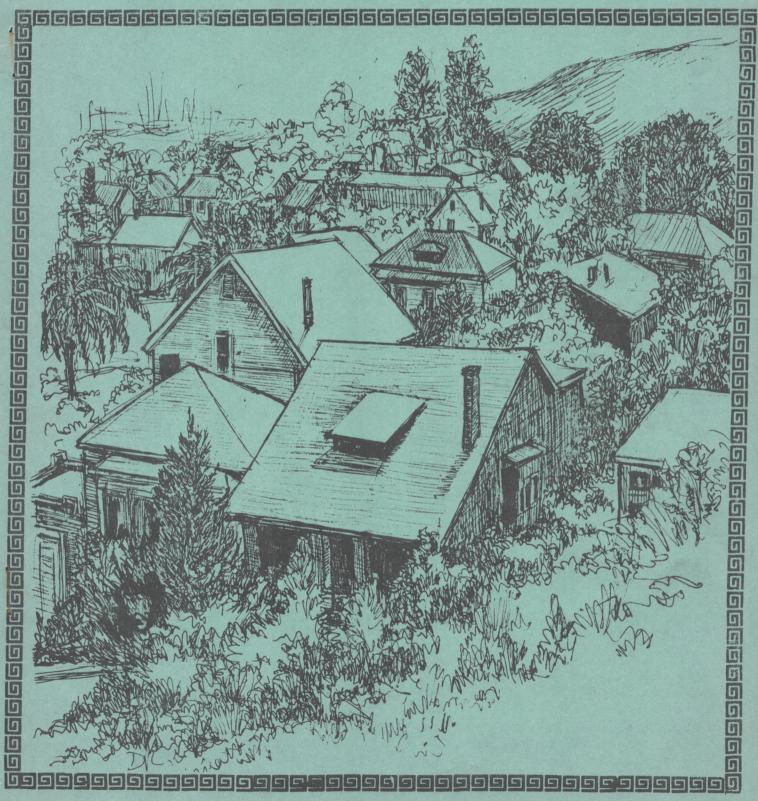
# POINT COUNTERPOINT

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March, 1975

Richmond, California



With great sadness we note the untimely passing of Wayne Wanlass, February 19, 1975. Wayne had just left the Baltic around 11 a.m. and was on his way to the bank in San Pablo when he was felled by a heart attack.

Part owner of the Baltic with local attorney Howard Kern, Wayne Wanlass was also self-employed as an insurance broker in San Pablo with his brother Les. Aged 49 years, Wayne graduated from Richmond High School He actively participated in the Native Sons of the Golden West and held the office of Grand Trustee in that organization. He was a member of the Church of the Latter Day Saints, El Sobrante Ward.

Charles Tower ("C.T."), a close friend, says, "His absence will be felt throughout the community of Point Richmond, as he was one of the leading merchants, always had ideas and was in the forefront of making the area of Point Richmond a successful community."

An engraved plaque which sits over the piano in the Baltic reads:

"The Baltic Tavern, built in 1904, was the first tavern in Point Richmond. The backbar and mirror were brought over from San Francisco prior to the 1906 earthquake and thus were saved from destruction. Through the years the Baltic building has served the community of Point Richmond as a saloon, city hall, residence, funeral parlor, speakeasy, house of pros titution, storage area and as the fourth wall of the City of Richmond's first firehouse, police station and jail built in 1910. Mentioned in the writings of Jack London, the Baltic Tavern retains the atmosphere of the turn of the century as it continues to serve the needs of the community."

The plaque was dedicated by the Sons of the Golden West April 13, 1974.

Wayne, along with his partner Howard Kern, had spent thousands of dollars toward the restoration of the Baltic. Kern says that Wayne loved the Baltic; that he had worked there many hours each day in an attempt to retreat a bit from the rigorous routine of the insurance business world. Wayne liked to step back half a century to the more relaxed atmosphere of the past and was attempting to create such a place in the Baltic.

Wayne Wanlass was also active in working with the Point Business Association. He had hoped, with the support of that organization, to rent storefront space in the Point for a little Point Richmond museum.

In memory of Wayne Wanlass, who cared so much for local history and living people, the Point Counterpoint wishes to establish a collection of old Point Richmond photographs. The collection would be framed under glass and would hang in the Baltic so that residents and visitors to the area could easily see a record of their history. If you have any old photos that you would like to donate or loan to be copied, please leave them in the Baltic in an envelope with your name, address and phone.

### ONWARD & UPWARD

Beginning in April the POINT COUNTERPOINT will be published twice a month, around the 1st and the 15th. Subscriptions for home delivery will be available at \$9 a year (24 issues) or \$5 for six months (12 issues). News stand copies will cost 35¢. This raise in rates will support the home delivery service that many people have requested and will allow Point teens who wish to become paper carriers to have a fair compensation for their work. It will also mean that some copies can be mailed out of the area.

I'd like to thank Doris Cort who kept the PCP going while I was in San Jose, and built up so much good will for the paper.

Publishing more often will enable the paper to report more up-to-date news, to expand the Community Calendar and to add features such as boating, fishing and yachting news, features on the waterfront establishments around the Point, more Point Richmond history. Of course, our regular contributors will continue: we could not do without "Trivia" by Mid Dornan, Mr. Mead's insights into health and gardening, and occasional short stories by our writing star, Dan Robertson.

But along these lines we are also looking for more commercial ("display") ads to support the extra issues.

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### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

#### March 3-8

\* International Women's Week Festival at Contra Costa College

#### March 3

Children's swim lessons at Plunge start (thru Mar. 21) See article.

#### March 4

\* SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION - GET OUT AND VOTE.

#### March 5

- \*"That Man Bolt" free film at CCCollege Liberal Arts Bdg. 7:30 p.m.
- \* Free piano workshop at East Bay Music Center 2369 Barrett Ave. 234-5624

#### March 6

- \*\*COMMUNITY-WIDE MEETING at Community Center. 7:30 p.m. Meeting called by Tom Butt, our Community Development Commission representative. Come with your gripes, suggestions, husbands, wives, lovers, children, dogs.....
- \* Introductory Lecture on Transcendental Meditation as taught by Maharishi Mahesh Yogi. At Our Lady of Mercy church, 305 W. Richmond, 8 p.m. March 7 Nariance request - see article on page 32
  - \* Washington School Auditorium, 10:30 a.m. CONTRA COSTA BALLET FOUNDATION Eight to ten professional & student dancers demonstrate a regular ballet class. A narrator explains the various exercises.

THE GREAT SEBASTIANS opens at the Masquers. Weekends through April 12.

The Elizabethan Trio, at the East Bay Music Center 8:30 p.m. \$2.50

#### March 11

and 12 - The Charles Moffett Family, Inc., Jazz--Keystone Korner, S.F.

Electricity & Gas for People (EG&P) march on Sacramento to protest 14 recent rate hikes & the many to come. Car pools from West Contra Costa. Call Lucretia Edwards (232-3118) for more information.

#### March 12

"The Hired Hand" free film at CCCollege - L.A. Bldg. 7:30 p.m.

#### March 13

Community Dinner at Community Center, 3-5 p.m. Donation \$1.00 to be paid in advance.

\* "New Bayside: Reflections on Middle America" and "Vision and Adornment" New shows opening at Richmond Art Center. Public preview 7-9 p.m.

Concert of Piano & Flute Music at East B. Music C. 7:45 p.m. (\$1 & 50¢)

#### March 19

"Watermelon Man" free film at CCCollege - L.A. Bldg. 7:30 p.m. (This is a very funny film)

#### March 21

Concert of Middle Eastern Dance & Music, at E.B.M.C.

#### March 22

\*EASTER VACATION BEGINS. Kids out of school until March 31. Terry Riley benefit concernt for E.B.M.C. (see article)

#### March 24

Register for second session, children's swim lessons at Plunge (March 31-April 18) begins.

March 30 EASTER



by Mid Dornan

#### HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY

Jessie Forbes
Carol Seawell
Carol Darling
Jean Knox
Rick Schuldt
Carl Paasch
Wendy Wirth
Girl Scouts

Dolly Frosini
Barbara Comer
Gordon Foth
Gary Smith
Virginia Cherniak
Allan Smith, Jr.
Lawrence Skelton
Camp Fire Girls

This is a fine month for making wishes, hunting snails, observing St. Patrick's Day (17th) and the discovery of Yosemite Valley (25th), remembering Good Friday (28th) and Easter (30th). Spring also arrives on the 20th:

First signs of approaching
Spring are the ever-beautiful
Flowering Plums.
Were you aware that at one time Flower-ing Plum trees were

planted on streets going north and south while Camphor trees were on streets going east and west? In cooperation with the city's beautification, the Richmond Junior Women's Club "Plant a Tree in '53" campaign just proves a good slogan never dies--it identifies!

We welcome James Armin and Avenelle Poehler as new Point residents. Coming from Delaware (and Minnesota) they recently purchased the Jack Weirick home on Bishop Ave. Armin is retired with time to enjoy the scenic beauty of our area and his wife, Avenelle, is an accomplished pianist. He is the loving cousin of another Point resident, Geraldine Chiles.

The Kindergarten class of 1954 at Washington School is proving itself as a distinguished group. Judy Forbes will complete her studies at UC Medical School in March and has been accepted as an Intern at a Bay Area Hospital. Pat McKinley is a lawyer, Larry Barusch is a lawyer-diplomat and Gary Encinos returns in May to take his state bar exam:

It is a little belated, but we just learned Zaid Sinawi was Citizen of the Week at Downer Junior High a couple of months ago. Our

spies are slipping, but congratulations anyway. Zaid:

Zo Alderman is happy
to be home
recuperating
from surgery.
A good neighbor is always
missed, even
for short
periods.

Missing her
first PTA Founder's Day was
Julia Bill who had
entered a local hospital that day for

cataract surgery. Julia was the first Honorary Life Membership recipient at Washington School.

Stef: "Do you know how to get ants out of your kitchen?"
Tina: "No, what do you do?"
Stef: "You just put sugar in the living room!"

Frank Matteucci has maintained an enviable and commendable record at Standard Oil - 29 years without losing one sick day: Truly remarkable and unmatched and we congratulate you. You've earned the "iron man" title.

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#### TRIVIA (continued)

As recognition for her outstanding service to Camp Fire Girls in the community, Mrs. Joe Darling (Sonja) was presented the Wakan Award at the Grizzly Peak Council Annual Dinner in Berkeley.

"Welcome to the club" Pat Hoiland As the recipient of the Honorary Service Award by the PTA on Founder's Day, we know this represents many unselfish

hours of service. Funds from this award are directed to scholarships for students so two good causes are served.

Mr. Kyle was deserving of the special gift presented him for his many hours spent above the call of duty to the children at the school. Bouquets of appreciation to you both:

Members of the Methodist Women Society thank the many guests who sat uncomplainingly in Friendship Hall on Valentine's day to eat the luncheon served. The furnace had broken the night before and repairs weren't completed until the following day. However, visitors were given a chance to view the newly redecorated classrooms at this historic church - the fresh paint, wallpaper and new curtains were cheerful and warming.

\*\* Beware the Ides of March:

Bicentennial kick-off ceremonies for Camp Fire Girls will be held on Sunday, March 16th at Tilden Park at 11:00. Family and friends are invited to particpate in the activities and bring a picnic for the fun filled day of games and tours. A grove of trees,

purchased by the girls in the council, has been planted and will be dedicated that day.

At current rates, it costs \$12 to run a color TV set for 3½ hours a day for a year.

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## More LOCAL NEWS

The Santa Fe Market had a little excitement last Tuesday morning. Around 9 a.m. a hose attached to a fire truck across the street broke loose and a powerful stream of water swept right in the front door of the Santa Fe. Fireman Ed Russey says, "Everyone was surprised." Gracie Mar says, "I thought it was a lot of fun. The fire department came over and mopped the floor. They even shined the glass."

#### CAMP FIRE GIRLS

O KI ZU Camp Fire Adventurers have filled three command performances of their bicentennial skit. The cast includes Ann Greiner, Kari Elle, Donna Bill, Georgette Austria, Christine Darling and

Theresa Healy.

This busy group, under the leadership of Sonja Darling, has recently toured a bakery in Oakland, McVittie Annex Post Office. a local bank and had a ceremonial prepared by Wohelo Medalion Candidate Carol Darling from A OW KA KI YA Horizon. They also had a farewell party for Shelley Coupland who moved to Virginia and the girls did all the planning and preparation themselves. They completed two service projects, entertained at a convalescent home and made felt dolls complete with wardrobes and a huge wall mural for the children at Hilltop Center.

They have Camp Fire Mints for sale and may be delivered to you

by calling 235-2608.

M.D.

#### BROWNIES

Brownie Troop 406, second and third graders, meet on Saturdays at Our Lady of Mercy Church. Presently the girls are making situpons. Their leader is Lydia Martin.

M.D.

#### LEAD POISONING PROJECT IN THE POINT

The paint in your house might be dangerous to your young child's health. Why? Beacause as recently as the 1960's paint for homes still had a high lead content. When small children eat chips of lead paint as big as a fingernail they can get lead poisoning. All houses built before 1940 were painted with lead paint.

Lead poisoning is not obvious in its early stages. When symptoms do show up the child has usually been poisoned over a period of time. Also the symptoms themselves are not obvious. The child may lose his appetite, feel tired and may be irritable. In later stages of lead poisoning the child may vomit and have convulsions. Always in the case of lead poisoning there is permanent brain

damage.

Contra Costa County has a lead testing program for your child that is free of charge and requires only a small amount of blood from a finger. Call the Richmond Health Department (233-7060, ext 3120) for more information about your child. A community health worker will be coming to the Point to talk about this program and the need to have your child tested. Your house can easily be tested for lead-in-paint by calling the Sanitarian in Richmond at 233-7060 ext. 3141, also free of charge. Protect your child's health:

Rita Dennis
Health Educator
Lead Project
228-3000, ext. 2511

The Gingham Goose is having a 1/3 - 1/2 off sale beginning March 1st. Check out Terry's fine sewing and unusual items at bargain prices:



# ON THE WATERFRONT ~~ Checking out Brickyard Cove

I drove out to Brickyard Cove on one of those sunny, exquisitely clear Sundays in January, to check out what was going on. The inlets around the houses were dotted with small sailboats, like white water birds. A few houses under construction looked like they were being worked on by the owners - healthy suntanned fellows in their mid forties, being brought cans of beer by equally healthy looking women dressed in the pleasantly casual and un-ostentatious way that the yachting crowd always seems to achieve. They weren't working too hard. It was easy to see that everyone was enjoying the perfection of the day.

I wandered over to the sales office of Brickyard Cove, and taking the bull by the horns, walked in and introduced myself to Charles T. Reid. the marketing director. Reid looks like a cross between a middle aged real estate salesman and a well-fed crew member of a large pleasure yacht. He told me some of the history of the Cove development. In 1964 a group of men bought the property on which the Richmond Yacht Club now stands. One of the original group was a former Commodore of the Richmond Yacht Club. an Oakland engineer by the name of Bert Clausen, who came upon the property while looking for a permanent home near the water. Clausen is one of the five partners who returned to purchase the rest of the parcel in 1965. The group, called Potrero Properties, Inc., includes Clausen; Roy H. Elliott, a mechanical engineer; Ray lundgren and Ned P. Clyde, soil engineers; and R. B. (Dick) Bettini, an attorney. The developers took their time about developing the area. Nothing was sold until 1972. Presently seven houses have been built and all the lots on the first street have been sold. lots are in the \$26,400 to \$40,000 range and all have their own docking facilities.

Who lives there? Reid says there is an engineer, a steamship executive, a printing company executive, a professor, a barge captain, an architect, a dentist. They are all yachting people. Will they send their

children to Washington School? "Most of these people have grownup children," he said. "You have to have a few years on you to be able to afford such houses. Well, we have a young couple who have decided not to have children. But the Yacht Club is youth oriented." He pointed through the back picture window of his home to the little sailboats weaving in the inlets. "That is a sailing class for children." Is it open to the public? "No, it is just for the members of the Yacht Club."

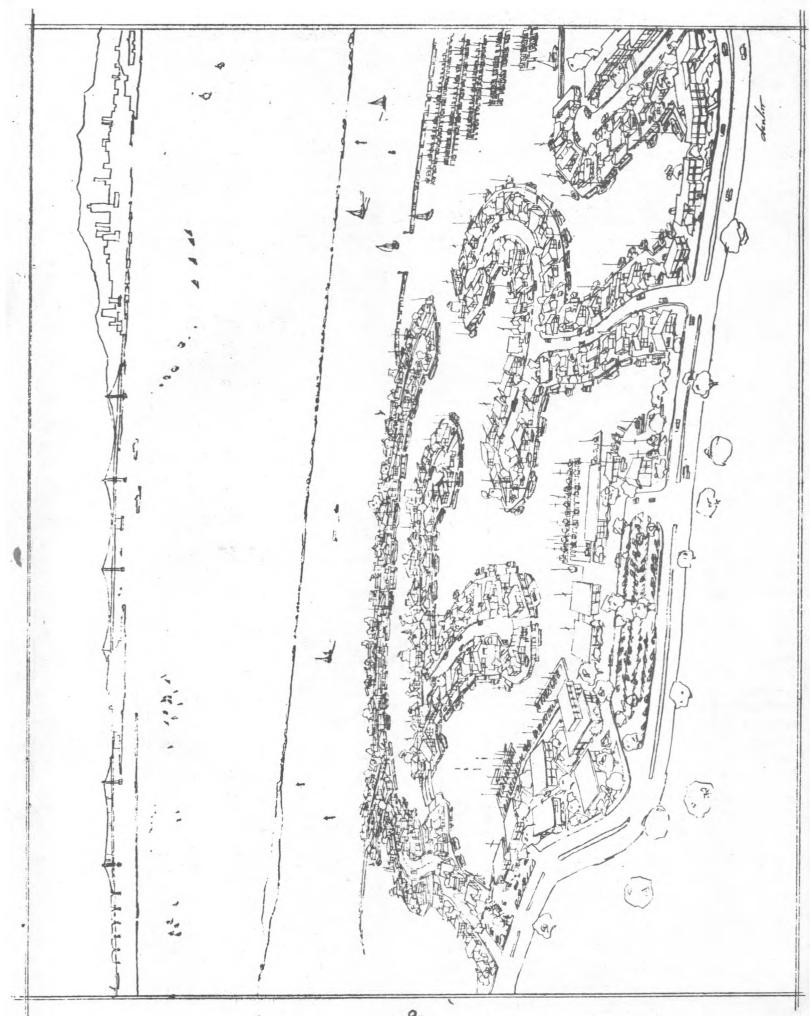
I asked Mr. Reid what he thought the effect on Point Richmond would be of having so many high income people moving in. "Our people do not flaunt their wealth, he said. "You know how boating people are. They usually mind their own business, they are reserved. Our people shop in the groceries and drink in the Point

Richmond bars like amone else. We participated in the effort to keep the ammonia tank out."

Reid says that most of the 72 lots will be single family dwellings and will be lived in by the owners, except those who wish to rent their houses. Twenty lots are zoned for low density multiple dwelling. Five acres are zoned commercial-high-rise. How high is high rise, I asked. Eighteen stories. I raised my eyebrows. "We will have an office building mainly for the people who live here, so they can be close to their work. By 1980 we will have shops, another marina, and probably one fine restaurant - on the level of Ondine's in Sausalito."

I asked Reid about the property on the hill in back of the

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development. "The Brickyard is for sale," he said. "The hill is owned by ARCO, PG&E and Santa Fe and is zoned residential." What about the tank? I laughed when Reid told me that if the huge green natural gas tank were torn down, all the boats in the area would run aground. "It is a major landmark for boats," he said, "We could not do without it."

I thanked Charles Reid and stepped out again into the sunlit day. Driving slowly between the rows of lots sold I saw names on the owners signs like Menard Doswell, Jacoba & Fred Raymer, Lon Price, Jean & Paul Donovan, Evelyn & Russell Gould, Floyd & Lucille Robbins, Katie & John Walsh, Satiria & Philip Papadopoulos, Murray Hannah Frank DeWolf, Frank Peckett, Sydney Norwick, M.D., Darlene Peterson, Shirley Mattes, Russell & Jeanne Cassinella, Ben Whisenand, M.D., Dr. Robert Gordon, Mildred Rose, Robert & Claire Yank, Walton & Nancy Crane, R.D. Mollison, Alberta & Nick Lerek.

A few days later, talking to Donna Roselius, I mentioned the Brickyard Cove to her. "What will happen to the Point when all those rich people move in?" "Oh," she said, "I think it is wonderful. Someone was bound to buy that land. Now that they have houses out there they will help us keep the Point a nice place to live. They have plenty of time and resources to become involved in the community. They will be a big help to us. Its one of the best things that has happened to the Point in a long time."

So on that note,
welcome to Point Richmond, you residents
of Brickyard Cove.
We look forward
to a fruitful
partnership.

j.e.

#### INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S WEEK

An International Women's Week Festival will be held at Contra Costa College, March 3 - 8.

A highlight of the festival is an assertiveness workshop, conducted by Portia Shapiro and Pam Butler. The workshop will be limited to 30 participants, and will be held Thursday night, March 6.

Other events of the week include a discussion "Women & the World" led by Bea Bain (Mon. night) multi-cultural women's panels Tuesday, discussion of 19th century women at noon Wednesday, "Women in Publishing" Friday noon, and an all-day program Saturday on employment and marriage.

For more information and signups call 235-7800, ext. 321.

#### OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARDS

A special recognition was accorded Senior Patrol Leader. GARY DARLING, at the Oakland Diocese Scout Sunday Ceremonial Mass held at St. Frances de Sales Cathedral. The Pope Pius XII Award was earned by Gary at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Point Richmond and he was one of only two such recipients in the entire Diocese and the first in the history of Troop 111 to earn such an honor. Fifteen year old Gary, sophomore at Salesian High, has been interviewing local Point pioneers for the Point Counterpoint as one of the requirements toward his achievement of Eagle Scout.

A rare and perhaps unprecedented honor was accorded Robert Dornan, Scoutmaster of Troop Ill, when he was presented the St. George emblem at the same Ceremonial Mass in recogn ition of outstanding service to the spiritual development of Catholic youth in the program of the Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Dornan serves as Chairman of the Board of the First Methodist Church in the Point.

M.D.

### ONE MAN'S OPINION

by David Boyd

REVOLUTION & WOMEN'S LIBERATION

I was once informed on the nature of revolutionary change by a sagacious old man. "It's a matter of accurately defining what you want," he said. "Then you must determine who the enemy is. Is he some outsider preventing you from obtaining your goals or are you preventing it yourself?" You must watch for Pogo Possium's admonition, "we have met the enemy and he is us!" I think this is a good rudimentary approach to the subject.

There are of course, other factors involved in revolution. One I'd like to offer is "Boyd's Law," since I thought this one up myself. It states: "In the beginning always use extremists in your movement to jolt the public into accepting reasonable change."

Make noise. Raise hell. Issue threats. And you might get somewhere.

Approach the situation calmly and rationally, and nobody will listen, and your movement will not move.

I would support my theory with the example of the Russians using the Bolsheviks to achieve their goals during their revolution, then purging them later. Always get rid of the extremist element once they have served their purpose. Hitler did the same with the Brownshirts. Unions did it with nihilists and communists. The Black Panthers did it with Eld-ridge Cleaver.

Remember when the Beatles came to America 15 years ago? Their hair was outrageous by 1960 standards. Soon after, young American men started growing their hair longer in Berkeley, and a couple of years later it was below shoulderlength over in the Haight. Americana was horrified. But in spite of this antipathy to long hair, I

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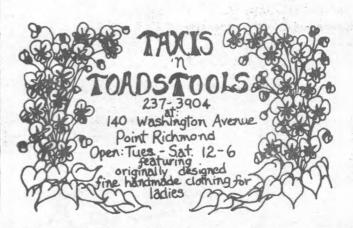
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On February 10, 1975, at the suggestion of Councilman Al Silva, the chairman of the Food Committee of the Washington School PTA asked the City Council for \$100 a month from revenue sharing funds for snacks for the children at Washington school. Councilman Stan Grydyk replied that the council had considered the request (which had been previously mailed to all the councilmen) and had decided that oatmeal cookies were not a sufficient diet for the young-Therefore, the council was directing its staff to begin negotiations with the school district to have Washington included in the hot lunch program which 6

other schools in the district now receive. This means that sometime in the next two years Washington school students will begin receiving a hot

lunch at school.

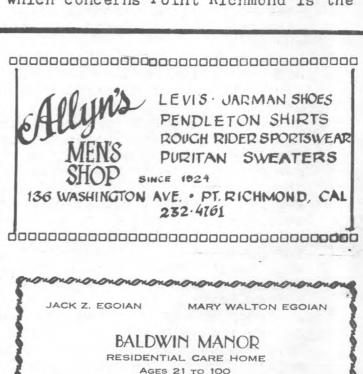
The request came at the close of a lengthy informal hearing on the request by the Spanish-speaking community for \$750,000 to build a community center focusing on Spanish-American culture. The Council voted \$75,000 from first-year funds for the project and the rest over the threeyear period. Other action by Council which concerns Point Richmond is the

inclusion in the Federal Block Grant budget of \$291,000 during current program year for renovation of the Plunge. The money would be used to replace the deteriorated original electrical & mechanical equipment installed in the late 1920's to meet minimum Health code requirements. The Plunge had its origin in an attempt by the late John Nicholl to drill an oil well on the present Plunge site. The search for oil was unsuccessful, but water was struck several hundred feet down and Nicholl then donated the property to the city for a swim-ming pool. The oil well cap can still be seen on the lawn of the Plunge.

Part of the funds for the Spanish project would be funded by cutting the Plunge budget by

\$15,000.





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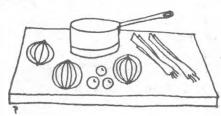
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#### KNOX QUIZZED AT LEAGUE LUNCHEON

Assemblyman Jack Knox (D-Richmond) took the hot seat at a League of Women Voters luncheon held Friday, Feb. 21 at the Community Involvement Center in El Cerrito. (The League regularly quizzes elected officials and their reports can be obtained through the C.I.C.)

Knox spoke at length about AB AB 625, his regional government bill introduced this session. said it is essentially the same legislation he has unsuccessfully pursued over previous years but he was hopeful for passage this year. Knox said the regional agency would be powerful: it would have veto power over all other regulatory agencies in the area. In response to a question about the success of similar agencies in other parts of the country Knox said that Minneapolis-St. Paul has had the best luck, but no resounding successes can be reported yet. He said it would take nearly 10 years to pound such an organization into a good workable agency once it passes. Copies of this bill can be obtained from Knox's Richmond office at 3607 Macdonald Ave., 237-8171.

Knox predicted that a major housing bill would go through the Assembly this session and also that we could look forward to the abolishment of indefinite sentencing and establishment of major penal reform. He stated that he is in favor of emergency legislation on malpractice insurance: that any insurance company that offers casualty insurance should be required to bear part of the malpractice load. However, in the long term, Knox said he believes people should have the right to use attorneys to pursue malpractics claims and that something must be done to oversee the medical profession.



# Pie in This Six

Forty years ago, in the early months of 1935, President Franklin D. Roosevelt was presenting to Congress and the country the second part of his national recovery program which included unemployment insurance and the WPA.

Unemployment rates in 1975 are at their highest since the last years of the depression and economic indicators continue to point down. The national unemp. rate is 8.2%. In Richmond, December's unemployment rate was 10.5%. What will the new Democratic Congress and Republican President do in the next few years to help us keep food in our mouths and roofs over our heads? Better economists than I have made bad predictions, so this reporter might as well jump into the fray too.

First, let's review the recent dramatic developments on the econ-

omic & political scenes.

During the last 2 years we have seen double-digit inflation and monumental layoffs in major industries, the shining examples being the drastic cutbacks in the auto industry & the year-long depression in housing starts. Cutbacks in the work force are now reaching into middle-management. Pleasant Hill and Walnut Creektype people. Early retirements are on the increase, not only in private industry but also in local government. These workers healthy, vigorous & intelligent at ages 50 to 65 - are unaccustomed to receiving what many of them have considered "welfare". i.e., unemployment insurance, Medicare, Medi-Cal, etc. versed in Keynesian economics,

having come of age in the Depression & worked hard all their adult lives for economic security, they will first feel betrayed & depressed by the failure of the system to provide them with the goods &

Drawing the veil of secrecy slightly aside, East Bay Regional Park District officials disclosed that by the March 4 meeting of the Directors, EBRPD may be in a position to buy 32 1/3 acres of flatlands at Pt. Richmond from the Santa Fe Railway.

This would make possible, ultimately, a greatly augmented George Miller, Jr. Regional Shoreline Park with an entirely different configuration. Currently, the Park District only owns 8 2 acres of the Point flatlands which it bought from Santa Fe for \$85,030.

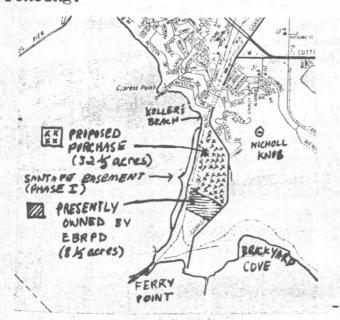
No mention of the price for the new lands was made. In May 1974. EBRPD started condemnation proceedings against S.Fe after nego-

tiations languished.

Hulet C. Hornbeck, EBRPD Chief of Land Acquisition, disclosed that negotiations appeared to have reached the settlement stage and papers had been sent to the Los Angeles office of Santa Fe. He added that the deal, as presently constituted, calls for EBRPD to acquire a spur track leading toward Garrard Blvd. and the Georgia Pacific property and buildings. The latter adds four acres to the 29 originally mentioned in the condemnation action. EBRPD would be named assignee of a present 15 year lease.

The Board also awarded the contract for Phase I rip rap repair, path surfacing and 4,200 feet of

fencing.



#### BOOKS ABOUT THE SEA

Reviewed by Carol Bold West Side Branch Librarian

A classic of sea adventure books, Sailing Alone Around the World by Joshua Slocum was the year's best seller when it was published in 1900. Although the author's style seems rather quaint today, the tale is so exciting and entertaining that the reader lives every moment of the dangers, beauty, and, sometimes, the boredom. In 1909 Joshua started out on another long voyage alone; he and his boat, "Spray", disappeared and no trace of either was ever found.

A comparable story by another sailing pro, Sir Francis Chichester, is found in his Gipsy Moth Circles the World. In 1966 he started out to sail around the world in a new boat built to specifications, with expense no consideration. Sir Francis goes into detail about the boat-building process and the buying and storing of supplies, which all spilled out into a housekeeping when the boat capsized near Cape Horn. He sailed home in 1967 to a wild welcome in England, a national hero. but died five years later when he

was 71 years old.

Survive the Savage Sea by Dougal Robertson is a grim story of a family whose sailboat sinks one minute after being bashed in by killer whales. They are west of the Galapagos Islands and not near any shipping lanes when Dougal. his wife, their 12-year old twin boys, 19-year-old son, and a young grew member find themselves living in a small dinghy and an inflatable craft which soon deflates and sinks. Rescue comes after 37 days of the ultimate in sharing.

Dove: First came a series of articles in the "National Geographic," then the book, Dove, by Robin Lee Graham, and recently the movie, "Dove". Robin was 16 years old when he started his lonely sail around the world on a 24-foot boat. lonely until he met the girl he later married. Robin is a competent sailor, and I have the feeling

that the "National Geographic" sponsors, Robin's writing collaborator, and the movie people chose to emphasize the love story out of proportion to the sailing feat. The extraordinarily beautiful film films of the actual places where the author sailed make the movie worth ho-humming through the story part.

Cutting Loose by James Lipscomb is a new book now at West Side on a two-month loan from the Main Library. Adult cameramen photograph five teenage crew members as they sail "Four Winds" to the South Pacific on a trip financed by Cinema Verite. Again, the seamanship is good, but human problems are minor, major and many. The author, who is also the father of the young skipper of "Four Winds," co-directed and was cinematographer for the film, "Blue Water, White Death".

San Francisco Bay by Harold Gilliam gives us the geological history of the area, explains our cool summers, wind and fog, and manages to entertain at the same time. San Francisco Bay, a Pictorial Maritime History by John Haskell Kemble contains a treasure of old photographs, including pictures of the Richmond waterfront.

### FISHING PIER

Another step has been taken by East Bay Regional Park District Directors which may lead to the construction of a fishing pier at Pt. Pinole Regional Shoreline replacing the 79-year-old structure where dynamite and gunpowder was once transshipped. Maximum length mentioned was 1200 feet. The Board approved a \$5877 appropriation for a hydrographic & geological evaluation to be conducted by Crawford Marine Specialists, Inc., San Rafael.

Dr. Howard L. Cogswell, Board President of Hayward said that deep water was much closer to the Point Pinole shore than it was at George Miller, Jr. Regional Shoreline at Point Richmond. A feasibmlity study conducted last year found that the water depth at the end of the old pier in Pinole is about 7 feet with a maximum 3-knot current & there is good fishing, especially for stripers and sturgeon.

# An Unusual Experience

We drove out to Point San Pablo Yacht Harbor Saturday, Feb. 15, around 3 p.m. to talk to Ruben Ledesma, the new owner of the Galley Restaurant. While we were enjoying a beer on the bench in front of the restaurant, a rowboat pulled up to the dock and the occupant, Hall Templeton, age 64, asked if he could tie up his rowboat overnight. He was to spend the night with friends in San Rafael and had started rowing from Vallejo at 9:00 that morning.

Ledesma went over to the rowboat to help Mr. Templeton out with his suitcase and overcoat. Over a soft-drink in the cafe Mr. Templeton explained that he usually rows for four hours, leaving two hours reserve in case of bad weather. However, the weather had been so beautiful and the tide had given him a boost so he just kept on going. The next day he planned to row over to San Francisco. We asked if the water around Alcatraz wouldn't be a little rough. "No," Mr. Templeton replied. "It doesn't make much difference to a rowboat. A rowboat is just a chip on the surface of the water - it is almost an integral part of the water."

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Mr. Templeton, retired from the lumber business & presently residing in Portland, said rowing is his form of exercise. He lost both legs in WW II & uses two wooden legs to get around. "This will really impress you," he said. "I am a member of the Dolphin Swimming & Rowing Club in San Francisco - or is it the Rowing & Swimming Club? They are the people who go out swimming in the ocean in the middle of the winter and do things like that." Mr. T. said that there is a big difference between rowing around & rowing from one place to another. For the latter one really needs a holiday, which he was pleased to be enjoying.

In his quiet, courtly manner, Mr. Templeton expressed great pleasure in his discovery of Pt. San Pablo & the hospitality he had encountered at the Harbor Restaurant.

Fishing News

Don Vierna reports out of Point San Pablo that shrimp-bait fishing is good at present. Between 75 - 100 lbs. a day are being taken from the bay especially around China Camp. Striped bass fishing is good around the Pumphouse and the Sisters. Sturgeon fishing is passable.

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You may have noticed the ad for Teddy Bear Fixit Hardware on 13th Street. Ramona Longpre, part owner of the Point, gave Teddy Bear his name because she says he looks like a big teddy bear. I ran into Teddy Bear himself (Ron Moureu) at the Point recently. "Teddy Bear," I said, "I've been thinking I should write something about you and your store. You've been open for 6 months now. Do you have any hobbies?"

"No," he said sadly, "Just my

store."

"Well maybe I could say something about how Bob Onstad came to you for plumbing supplies for his pizza place and you got a big rush order for him."

"But that's not true," he said.

"It wasn't a rush."

We were sitting there trying to think of an angle, when suddenly

Teddy Bear jumped up.

"Excuse me," he said, and left the restaurant. Just as suddenly he reappeared, carrying a large paper sack which he triumphantly dumped on the bar. Out spilled little bags of smoked salmon, dried shrimp, smoked sausage, a large swiss cheese and a salami. We munched thoughtfully on the salmon.

"I'll think of something," I

said.

#### KARATE

Over 100 people crowded "Big Sam" Craft's new karate school at 111 West Richmond Ave. Saturday evening, Feb. 1 for the grand opening celebration. Karate afficiandos from all over the East Bay, including 7 black belt masters, came to watch or participate in the karate exhibition and enjoy a potluck supper. The school is located across from the Point Orient, where the Point International used to be. Its formal name is the "Point Richmond School of Self-Defense". Classes for children & adults are offered.



February 3, 1975

Dear Jeanne:

Thanks for your letter. I am very glad to hear that you have assumed the position of Editor of POINT COUNTERPOINT and will be delighted to put you on my mailing list for all press releases.

Good luck and I look forward to seeing a copy of the first issue.

Sincerely,

George Miller
Congress of the United
States
House of Representatives
1532 Longworth House
Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Editor:

I am a 6th grade campfire leader in Point Richmond. My girls are selling CampFire Mints through March 7. I am sending five recipes and would appreciate it if you would put them in this paper. If you do not have room for them all, put in what you can. Thank you.

Mrs. Sonja Darling 231 Cottage Ave. 235-2608

(there wasn't room for all five, but here are three of the recipes that look good and easy to make):

CampFire Mint Delight

Melt in top of double boiler 3 oz. milk chocolate & 20 Camp-

Fire mints & 1 tbsp. milk.

Pour this over 2 cups corn-ing flakes mixed with 15 cut-up marsh mallows. Stir until all is coated with chocolate. Drop by small amounts on wax paper. Let stand till cool.

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Smrlight Mint Cookies

Sift together 32 cups flour, 1 tsp. soda, 2 tsp. salt; cream 1 cup shortening, 1 cup white sugar, 2 cup brown sugar (packed); add to shortening - mix 2 beaten eggs & 2 tbsp. water & 1 tbsp. vanilla.

Beat well; blend in dry ingredients. Mix well and chill in refrigerator for ½ hr. Shape 1 tsp. dough around 1 mint. Place on greased cookie sheet. 2 inches apart. Top with nut meat (optional). Bake at 350° for 10 min.

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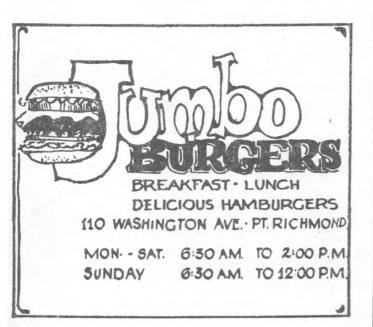
Blend together \frac{1}{2} cup milk, 1/3 tbsp. chocolate syrup & 2 or 3 CampFire Mints in a blender until smooth. Add 3 or 4 scoops of ice cream & blen a few seconds more.

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#### A PRAYER

by John Cerno

Oh great and wondrous God, I am thankful and thrilled with the euphoric effects of the beautiful day; the morning feeds my affection-hungry soul, and the fresh new morning sun carresses the world in lukewarm rays of love and being.

Oh great and wondrous God, I am hungry and in need of guidance and direction.

I pray ...

but selfishly.

I cry ...

but self-pittyingly.

I laugh...

but I am cynical.

I see ...

but do not observe.

I hear...

but without rhythm of sound

I walk ...

but aimlessly without direction.

I think ...

but in awful confusion.

Oh great and wondrous God, how I have mis-used and bent those gifts of life you gave me:

Oh God I am torured by evil: as the blossom is tortured by frost I sting from the icy chill of a meaningless life.

And I wilt from the shame of fail-

ure.

Oh merciful God, reprieve me from the condemnation of my past: And instill me with strength to sculpture the rest of my days: Into gifts of love and labor for

my fellow man.

And in that way I shall be enlightened by truth and purpose, in the knowledge that I belong to God.

O brothers of the soul and the spirit and the flesh, do not pity me.

But lend me tolerance while I strive and reach out for a way of life that will be God in the spirit of life.

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Oh beautiful morning, you reflect the pleasure of Allah and make me hunger for truth and want to grow in the sight of God to blend with the universe:

For that part of the universe which I am is the choice of God and the concern of Allah.



You may have noted that
Mrs. Agnes Tiller, widow of the
late Frank Tiller, passed away
Feb. 18. Mary Casey who lives on
Golden Gate Ave., says she remembers Frank Tiller living on West
Richmond Ave. when he was growing
up.

Pat Sinawi says she is studying Real Estate and will soon be ready to help others house-hunt. Pat has already shown great talent for finding houses suitable for large families:

Dan Robertson is studying article writing and selling with Bruce Brugman, Editor of the Bay Guardian. Question: will the POINT COUNTERPOINT lose its local sage and humorist to the Big City Slick Paper magazines? (We always knew he was too good to stay on the farm.)

Did you know you can register to vote almost any time, at the Firehouse in the village? (the square? the triangle triangle?) DO IT:

Shirley Seaburg, who has been a daytime Momma for many children of working parents in the Point, says she is about to go into retirement.

Sherry Hartynyk is home from the hospital recovering from an operation. She is reported to be in good spirits. The Point Counterpoint owes Sherry & Bob an apology for printing in the December issue that Sherry's parents came from the old country. Bob's parents came from the old country in Russia. Sherry's ancestors came over on the Mayflower from the old country:

The Shapers of Bishop Ave. are a politically active family! Hans Shaper has been appointed to the Human Relations & Housing Commission, while Lori Shaper is seated on the Economic Development Commission.

The house being built at 725 Ocean Avenue will soon be inhabited by former state senatorial candidate Mike Tripp, wife Mallory and sons John (age 2) and Steven, who is already attending Washington School Kindergarten. Welcome to Point Richmond:



CITY COUNCIL RACE OPENS

If you are interested in running for City Council, the deadline for filing is March 14 at noon. You can get nomination petitions from the City Clerk's office in City Hall. You will need between 20 and 30 signatures of registered voeters and \$12 to get on the ballot. Then you should go home and read the new laws on campaign contribution disclosures. The primary election is April 8. The general election will be May 13.

### TRANNIE DORNAN'S MEMOIRS

by Gary Darling

Born in Butte City, of Glen County, Trannie Dornan came with her family to Point Richmond on March 1, 1905. She was the oldest of four in the family. Their first house was located on Pacific Ave. (now called Western Drive). Her father worked at Standard Oil for 27 years and retired in 1932.

Trannie attended Standard Ave. Elementary School. She then went on to the High School, located beside Standard Ave. School (which later changed its name to Richmond Union School when it moved to 23rd Street at Macdonald Ave.). Trannie loves to tell about her graduation from grammar school (8th grade), which took place in the once famous Opera House of Point Richmond (located near the corner of Washington Ave. and Standard Ave. - next to Pat Dean's Saloon).

In 1917 she got married to Robert Dornan and had three children, one of which is my devoted Scout Master. Mr. Dornan, with a partner (Art Whitesides), bought out a feed, fuel and drayage company in 1911 and turned it into the Richmond Supply Company. Since his death, Trannie has run the Richmond Supply Co. (located at 145 W. Richmond Ave.)

Back in the old days, says Trannie, it was a custom for all of the men to go to Chris Macaado's Barber Shop for a shave every morning. She says there were rows upon rows of cups in the barber shop, each with a name on it, full of shaving soap. When a man came in for a shave his cup of shaving lather was used. It cost 10¢ for a shave and 25¢ for a hair cut.

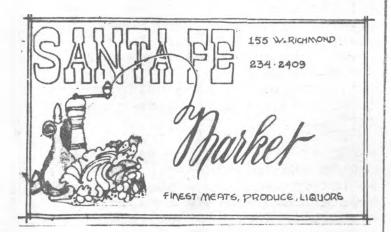
In Point Richmond there were two funeral parlors. One was Underwood's Undertaking Parlor (located on W. Richmond Ave. in the house across the street from the Point Orient). The other was Burt Curry's Undertaking Parlor (located in the "triangle", near the site of the present fire station). Claire Schmidt of Schmidt and Dixon was a Curry girl.

Trannie remembers that in those days, the main source of transportation was horse-drawn trolley cars (which looked like the cable cars of San Francisco). She says they even had a special black car which was only used for funeral processions. The casket would ride in a special compartment under the car, and the people would ride above it in the passenger compartment. The nearest graveyard was Sunset View Cemetery (located on Fairmont Ave. in El Cerrito) and it would take all day for the funeral.

Some of the other original businesses mentioned by Mrs. Dornan (as well as many of the others I have interviewed) located on and around W. Richmond Ave. were: Crittchet's Hotel (where Ron's Market is now); next door to this (up the street) is where the first library of Point Richmond was located; the Abbot Hospital (where the Carroll Apartments are located); Bly's Grocery (across the street from the Carroll Apartments); Charlie Reiger's Butcher Shop (where the Catholic Church parking lot is); a candy shop (located down the street, next to the butcher shop); the first Post Office (next to the candy shop); a plumbing shop (next to the Post Office); finally on the corner, the Bank of Richmond (now Sherry and Bob's), which later sold out to the American Trust, which closed down during the Depression.

Many old names pop up during every conversation with Trannie - Otto Ludwig, the butcher; Sandy Elsie's Dry Goods Store; Virgil Feuner and Gordon Perault's Hardware, Ed McDuff's Saloon; Mary Moyle Shoe Store, Steifvater's Grocery Store, etc.

One of her most vivid memories is the 1906 earthquake. She lived on the corner of Summit Place and Golden Gate Avenue. Trannie says the kerosene lamps swung in the early morning and her mother herded all the kids under the beds. She remembers San Francisco's ashes falling or Point Richmond during the big fire, traveling to the Pan Pacific Exposition on the Ocean Wave, and all-in-all, just how many things can a person forget after 70 wonderful years in Point Richmond?



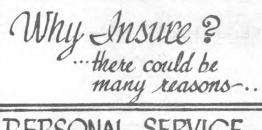




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Sleep is the result of the gradual withdrawal of the blood from the brain. Nervous tension causes a surplus amount of blood to circulate in the cerebral region. Soaking the feet in hot water will draw the blood

down from the head.

Sleeping pills are not necessary. If your diet is right, you will sleep like a baby without that harmful crutch. Cutting down salt in the diet will relieve sleeplessness. Lack of calcium contributes. Instead of taking the advertised sleep-aids, increase your calcium intake.





Another helpful suggestion is to stretch, one that you can feel all the way down along your spine. clear to your toes, and you will sleep like a kitten. I have followed this idea many times and it works.

The herbal kingdom holds sedatives that are sure to help and

are definitely harmless.

Once such sedative formula consists of skullcap, lady's slipper, catnip and Valerian herb tea. Take it hot at bedtime. Tea made from hops and skullcap is also a good nightcap. Camonile tea is also a good sleep inducer.

Don't cheat yourself on sleep. Invite sleep the harmless way. to bed at the regular time each night. Start slowing down an hour or so before your regular bedtime. Avoid heavy eating before you go

to bed.

When you find yourself battling with the demons of insomnia, take a harmless herb calmative. Try stretching and relax and sleep. Pleasant dreams.

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# What's NAW at School?

Founder's Day was celebrated once again at Washington School, Feb. 19. For the uninitiated, Founder's Day is the one time each year when all members and for-

mer members of the community, white, black and brown, rich and poor, left and right, old and young, get together to break bread, bury hatchets and reminisce about the history and events at Washington School. Former Point residents who attended or were involved with Washington School come from miles away to attend this yearly event.

1975's program started off with the honor guard of Cub Scout Pack 135 leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Then the audience was treated to the Aphasic Glee Club singing "Free To Be You and Me", and a round of "Frere Jacques". Then the whole glee club sang several songs. The Washington School Pom Pon girls performed several school cheers and the O-Ki-Zu Campfire Girls performed a skit which portrayed a party being planned by Abraham Lincoln, Washington, T.R. Roosevelt and Ulysses S. Grant.

Following the program PTA President David MacDiarmid introduced Councilman Al Silva, a guest of honor, and Principal Ina Briggs introduced her vice-principal Ila Warner and Mr. Don Dyer who is in charge of elementary education in the Richmond schools. Lunch was a salad buffet and afterwards came the highlights of the afternoon. Each past president and honorary life member stood up and in turn told about what projects he/she had worked on during their time at Washington. Mrs. Stephen Banks told about the war years when each child had an individual vegetable garden with his name on it. Ruby Simmons told about her 48 years of teaching at Washington and how she had been Mrs. Faria's master teacher: Trannie Dornan remembered attending the old Standard Avenue School before Washington was built at its present location. Louise Genosick remembered the work done to integrate the school. Jeanne Eger remembered struggling to get parents involved in PTA activities and the beginning work on the food program. Mid Dornan chaired the candle-lighting ceremony that accompanied the memories. Mr. Kyle was presented with a special service award for his contributions to the school.

The finale was a skit performed by the teachers, called "The Problem Solver". The problem solver turned out to be Pat Hoiland who was presented with an Honorary Life Membership Service Award, which was pinned on her by her husband Ed (who had helped serve the lunch).

Louise Genosick made most of the arrangements for the event and swears again that this is the last time: A good time was had by all.

#### WASHINGTON SCHOOL'S FEDERAL BUDGET DISCUSSED

On January 29 and again on Feb. 13, parents & teachers of Washington school students met to discuss the federal & state funds for the '75-'76 school year. In order to be funded under this program schools are required to have parent participation. Last year the Washington budget was \$74,820. The money was spent mainly on 3 resource teachers & paid parent

aides in 6 classrooms. Money was also spent for equipment for math & reading labs, for field trip transportation, for a clerk-typist & other things. This year the budget was cut to \$69,660 & the school was informed that it should increase the projected cost of everything 12% for inflation. This left the group in a dilemma. All agreed that the direction of the program last year was good. Decision was made to cut one resource

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teacher (cost: \$22,000) and increase the number of classroom aides to 14. One part-time aide would be used as a community-link representative, to go out in the community, recruit more volunteers, and let parents who do not come to meetings know what is happening at the school. Exchange of opinions was friendly & fruitful.

# the field House Program

The Washington Field House schedule for March will continue pretty much the same as for February. The Field House will be open from 10:30 to 5 during Easter vacation. Otherwise it is open from 3-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Most of the children who attend are in the 3rd - 6th grades.

Mondays will be boys basketball practice from 3:30 - 4:30. Arts & crafts or free play from 3 - 5.

Tuesdays are cooking classes (both boys & girls) from 3-5. Bring 35¢ on Monday. Meet at the field-house and walk over to the teen center. You get to eat what you cook!

Wednesdays are boys basketball practice and girls kickball league.
Thursdays: more basketball &

kickball.

Firdays: varied activities.

## Tax Help

Income tax assistance at no cost to low income taxpayers is available at the Crescent Park Community Center, 5000 Harnett St. 237-5377, Saturdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through April 12. Volunteer accounting students who have been trained in a crash course in tax preparation at Cal State Hayward are participating in the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA). Working under close supervision the students will help with both State & Federal tax returns.

#### BLACK HISTORY

Below are thoughts written during Black History Week by the fourth grade students in Mrs. Kreit's room.



I like Martin Luther King because he helped black people to have the same privileges as white people. By Mark Nelson

I respect Dr. Daniel Hale Williams because he did heart surgery and saved lives.

By Raul Garcia

I like Frederick Douglas because he wrote the "North Star" which helped free slaves.

By Brooke Christopher

I like Dr. Charles Drew because he made the blood bank.

By Manuel Delgado

I respect Harriet Tubman because she helped black people to be free through the Underground Railroad. By Melinda Carter

I like Malcolm X because he wanted black people to learn their history. By Julianne Vanderhieden

I like Harriet Tubman because she helped people escape from getting whipped. By Ricci Logan

I like Harriet Tubman because she helped other black people.

By Dale Reed

## the PLUNGE

Here is a sampling of the offerings at the Plunge this spring:

CHILDRENS SWIM LESSONS

Session I Mar. 3-Mar. 21

Session II Mar. 31-Apr. 18

Pre-registration for II is Mar. 24

12-1:30. Classes are held

Monday-Wednesday-Friday 3:30-4:30

Nine (9) lessons for \$4.00.

These classes are designed for children 5 years and up. All basic skills taught.

ADULT SWIM LESSONS

Mar. 26-May 14. Registration is Mar. 19. Lessons given Wednesdays 10 - 11:30 a.m.. Eight (8) lessons for \$4.00.

TOTS & PARENTS

Mon. eves: Mar. 10-May 12. Register Mar. 3. Fee \$5.00 Time: 7:15-8 p.m. Also Tues & Thurs. in a.m. SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING Mar. 11-Apr. 29. Women & Girls. 10-11:30 a.m., 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday a.m.-women. Tues. p.m. -

AQUA-SLIMNASTICS

Mondays & Wednesdays 9-10 a.m.
Also Tuesdays & Thursdays 9-10 am.
Also Tues. & Thurs. evenings,
5:30-6:30 p.m. Ten lessons for
\$5. Get in shape:
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# Boy Scouts

Troop 111 held a Court of Honor to present merit badges & awards to scouts. Those earning awards were Terry Autry, Gary Darling, Ingvar Elle, John Lazarriga, Dale Darling, Jim Woodson, Scott Warren, Charles Smith, Mike Price, Robby Robinson and Evan Jahromi.

Slides of the proposed 60 mile back-pack trip through the Sierras this summer were shown. The scouts will be making many week-end and back pack trips in the coming months.

M.D.

## Community Enter

by Gladys Ferguson

The Center is open for general recreation Monday through Friday. Center hours are 1:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. A Community dinner will be held March 13. Please pay \$1 donation in advance to buy the food. An excursion to Iceland is pending for this month. For details call the Center at 232-6140.

Adult night Wednesdays 6-9:30 6 - 9:30 p.m. Whist tournaments,

pool and ping-pong.

I, Gladys Ferguson, would like to thank everyone who welcomed me back to the Center after my illness. Bill Stuart is the new senior recreation leader. We would like to welcome people of the community to visit the Center.

Our primary objective is to extend to you an invitation to participate in leisure and recrea-

tional activities.



#### SYCAMORE TREES

You may have noticed ten sycamore trees being planted along the 200 block of West Richmond Ave. and around the corner on Martina Street. Richard Splenda, a land-scape architect with offices at 226 W. Richmond, spearheaded the neighborhood project to purchase the trees, which will be 20 feet high in five years, with proper care.

Richard says if you buy trees the city will come out and plant them for free. Splenda is available to advise any group who wants to plant a bunch of trees in their neighborhood and he will help get them wholesale (about \$6 per tree as opposed to \$12 retail). Call him at 237-4465.

Another of Richard Splenda's recent projects was the landscape renovation of Mira Vista Park on Mount off of Barrett in Richmond.

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### CUB SCOUTS

#### Blue and Gold Dinner

Over 130 people attended the annual Blue and Gold Dinner of Cub Pack 135 at Washington School, one of the biggest in recent years Special awards were presented by Cubmaster (mistress) Beverly Price to Beverly Heck, Janet Falletti, David MacDiarmid, Ed Hoiland and Joe Travis. An engraved silver serving tray and Cub Scout trophy were given Mrs. Price for her six years of service by Mrs. Martin Busby. Four scouts, Gary and Dale Darling, Mike Price and Robby Robinson, were commended for helping at the monthly Pack meetings.

Rev. Evan Anderson, Baptist Church, gave the Blessing and Jim Pease, Independent photographer, recorded the events of the evening

for posterity.

A SMASH hit. "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" produced by Ed Hoiland with Roxanne Elle accompanist, highlighted the evening and was declared to be the best entertainment in many years: The All-Star cast included Joe Travis as Snow White, Ed Hoiland the Wicked Queen, and David MacDiarmid narrator. Doug Busby was the Prince and the Dwarfs were Carl Doehlstedt, Mark Healy, Sten Hoiland, David Travis, John Garcia, Brian Pease, Dave MacDiarmid while Eric Hoiland was the voice of the looking glass and Dennis Price worked the lights.

Coming events: March 16 trial derby car race. Also in March are bakery tour, fishing trip, picnic, wrestling, and min-

iature golf.

Any boy, 8 years through 11, wishing to join the Cubs Scouts may do so by calling Cubmaster Bev. Price, 232-2660.



#### HAPPY NEW YEAR::

Saturday, Feb. 22, the Point was treated to a New Year's Celebration put on by the Point Orient and the Santa Fe Market to celebrate the advent of Chinese New Year (the year of the Hare) and bring good luck to those businesses for the coming year. The celebration was touched off in front of the Santa Fe with a dragon dance and lots of firecrackers. The dragon always ushers in the New Year and is a symbol of good luck. The firecrackers symbolize the driving away of evil spirits. dragon attempts to eat at one gulp a cabbage, an orange and money tied on a pole which is extended from the local business. If the dragon eats all the money and food, that business will have a prosperous new year.

The dragon dance with firecrackers was performed again in front of the Point Orient and was followed by Kung Fu exhibition by the Richmond-San Pablo Kung-Fu school.

Gung Hay Fat Choy!

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ONE MAN'S OPINION (continued)

soon noticed sideburns and mustaches starting to grow in the Financial District of San Francisco. This process has continued until today we see younger members of the Richmond police with hair as long as the Beatles had in the first place. Such is the way so-

ciety makes changes.

Let's take a look at a current revolutionary movement in vogue: the Women's Liberation Movement. By my theory it has an excellent chance of success because it has a very vitriolic element operating in the foreground looking very fierce and making a lot of noise. This group sees "male conspiracy" behind anything standing in their way.

Most men know of this type, sometimes known as the "castrator". Sne is the one running around spitting venom in the direction of all men, using the cause of Women's Liberation to justify her own insecurity and misanthropy. These types act out the role of aggressor more than most men I know, and I thought that was what they were supposed to be against. They tell us there wouldn't be wars if women were running the government. I'd hate to see what would happen if one of these types ever becomes Commander-In-Chief of the military.

Behind these heavies we have a more reasonable element in the Women's Movement. These are the emerging women who are realizing they have a brain equal to that of a man. They are realizing they can achieve something in life other than changing diapers and taking a back-seat in decisions. In the end, along with familiarity and refinement of role, this group will prevail, even though they are partially being pulled along on the coattails of the radicals in front of them.

Lastly we have the female "automaton". She isn't doing any-body any good and is slowing down the movement more than anything else. These are the types who wish to keep their place in the home and are lobbying against the 26th Amendment, not men.

(Now don't get me wrong ladies, or women, or whatever you currently wish to be called. I know there are a fair share of male chauvinists running around. Spend a few months with a drill-sergeant and you will see a worse form of male chauvinism than you thought possible. You see, men have to put up with this macho-type too, and I don't like him any more than you do.)

But in the meantime, back to Boyd's Law. Unfortunately, for now, the heavies are necessary to the Women's Movement. To get to the desired goal of freedom for women, we need the radical element who will disturb us all into realizing that a woman can be more than an ornament which goes along with a sport's car or kitchen stove. The heavies are helping us get there. After that they can be purged and sent off to Camp Pendleton to spend their lives with the aforementioned drill sergeants, since they both are essentially the same breed of cat.



### Editorial

The Code of Ethics of the American Society of Newspaper Editors states: primary function of newspapers is to communicate to the human race what its members do, feel and Journalism, therfore, demands of its practitioners the widest range of intelligence, or knowledge, and of experience, as well as natural and trained powers of observation and reasoning. To its opportunities as a chronicle are indissolubly linked its obligations as teacher and interpreter.

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Jeanne Eger





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services they have become accustomed to and then angry at being forced from their jobs onto the existence level of unemployment insurance.

It is these former workers, (rather than the traditionally poor who do not vote or lobby or write to their Congressmen), along with consumer groups & the powerful labor lobby who may force

social change.

The new Democratic Congress (the result of Watergate) is also significant. Rep. Phil Burton (D-Calif.), long an advocate of social reform, is Chairman of the House majority caucus & in an unprecedented early meeting of the caucus, parceled out appointments on significant committees to young reformist freshmen Congressmen. Contra Costa's George Miller has found a place on the Labor & Education Committee. The Ways & Means Committee will no longer . hold up significant legislation. The retreat of Wilbur Mills & the less-than-dynamic leadership of Speaker Carl Albert will be filled by the Democratic caucus & its liberal leadership. There is indeed a "veto-proof" Congress.

A new unemployment bill has already passed, extending benefits to farmworkers, public employees & domestic workers, providing for longer coverage in certain areas of high unemp. rates & making \$2.5 billion of public service jobs available to the

unemployed,

As the rolls of jobless workers grow, financing for these benefits must be found. Already states are borrowing money from the federal government for this. I predict the elimination of the experience rating system (employers such as banks, who lay off few people pay less unemployment taxes than do employers such as the canneries who lay off many each year). States which refuse to liberalize their benefit systems by loosening up on the qualification standards which keep many workers from receiving unemployment, may come into conflict with a federal government which fears social unrest. If this becomes the case, we can expect federal standards for the unemployment system to become an issue in the 1976 presidential election.

As younger workers who would normally help the old people pay the co-insurance payments of the Medicare program (and nursing home costs which aren't covered), find their own income severely reduced. there will be public support to totally eliminate restrictions on medical care for the elderly under Medicare. National Health Insurance will become a major presidential election issue. The question will not be whether to have such insurance but rather how it will be financed & the extent of its benefit coverage. We can expect the Republicans to push for administration through the private insurance companies, while the Democrats will want to see it funded by a "social security" type of transfer payments & an independent social-security type agency to administer the program. business community will lobby in protest that transfer payments ("the young pay for the old") will be actuarily unsound & will prevent needed build-up of capital formation through insurance companies. Already, the Wall Street Journal has picked a fight with the AFL-CIO to try to discredit the actuarial soundness of the present Social Security sys-This fight is particularly important to us in Richmond because of the giant S.S. building going up on MacDonald, which will open in a few months, and also the large Kaiser Hospital planned to be built along side of it in the near future.

Unknown factors in the outcome of the fight will be the actions of organized labor - both the AFL-CIO lobby & independent labor groups (such as Teamsters) who have long had close relationships with large pension & health insurance trust funds. Also, will the



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legislators be able to obtain necessary professional financial counseling in the face of the expertise of the insurance lobbies?

Prior to setting up of a national health system we will see the rapid growth of HMO's (Health Maintenance Organizations or prepaid health plans like Kaiser or the San Joaquin Foundation). Then we can expect to see the pre-paid plans try to combat rapidly inflating health care costs by attempting to recover money through pursuing Worker's Compensation claims. Thus there will be a strange battle of insurance companies - the medical delivery system on the one hand & the Worker's Comp. insurers on the other. This pressure may lead employers to keep their workplaces safer under threat of higher insurance rates.

Reform of the welfare system will not become an issue until late in the 1976 presidential campaign. The recipients of welfare



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do not form a constituency of much impact & Congress will be too busy debating the problems of a reeling economy to deal with the still hot issue of welfare reform. But by the time fall of 1976 rolls around the country will be in the throes of depression (or on the brink of pulling out) and nearly everyone will personally know someone on welfare. Welfare will have penetrated the suburbs. The myth of welfare fraud will begin to lose some of its credence. The use of food stamps & Medi-cal, if not actual AFDC payments, will have become widespread & there will be some pressure for uniform upgraded national standards. But how much will the labor lobby support such legislation? Will the leadership of the trade union movement lobby on behalf of unrepresented workers?

What should we make of all this? Debate on economic firstaid rages on in the Wall Street Journal, the New York Times, the New Yorker and other media of the business community. Maybe the right questions are not being asked. Maybe an American collective unconcious instinctively knows we have lived too high on the hog for years compared to the rest of the world and it is time to cut back and prepare for a reduced standard of living. Consumer debt is being paid off at a record rate. Here in Richmond we are fortunate to have two large facilities to open soon - the Social Security building and the bulk mail handling building on Hoffman. These government jobs will provide Richmonders employment which is not subject to the vicissitudes of private sector economic performance. In turn these government agencies and the income they create will provide a stable base for the small private support businesses, such as our restaurants, shoe-repair shops. etc. Only time will tell, however what will happen to the larger picture.











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A meeting you should try to attend - the Bay Area Pollution Control Board meets March 6 at 1:30 in the Bermuda Room at the Civic Center to hold a hearing on variance requested by Allied Chemical Company regarding suplhur emmissions. Jean Siri, President of the West Contra Costa Conservation league reports that sulphur poisoning can cause serious illness. Barbara Martin, another active local conservationist says that there have been unconfirmed reports of sulphur poisoning in the North Richmond area. The prevailing westerlies which presently blow in from the ocean and swirl around in the North Richmond area before they go up the hill, will soon be changing & will be hitting the Point. So it would be in our interest to attend this hearing and become informed about what's going on.

James Levine, a professional photographer from Chicago (he will have several photographs published in Playboy in the next few months) has Come West. He is working at the Judges and Spares, thanks to the good offices of Josephine Coatsworth, also a photographer and old friend of Jim's from the Parson's School of Design. He is looking for a place to live in the Point. Contact him at the J & S, if you know of a bachelor apartment.

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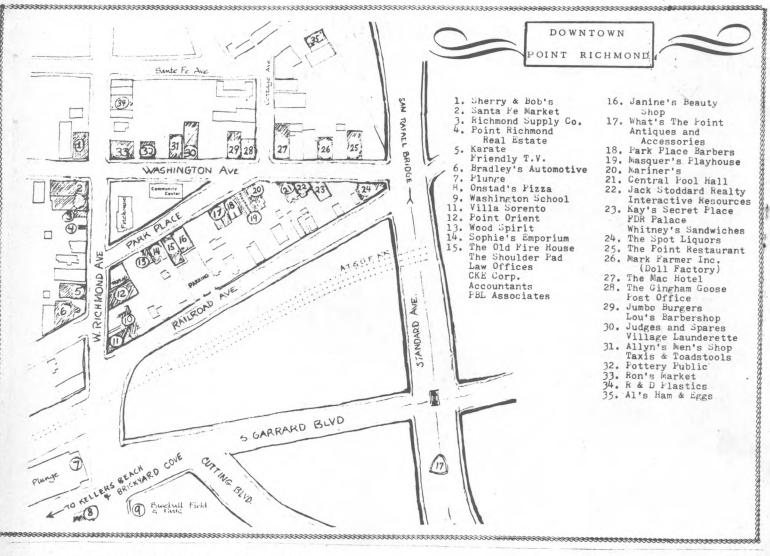
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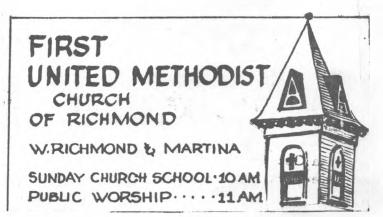
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