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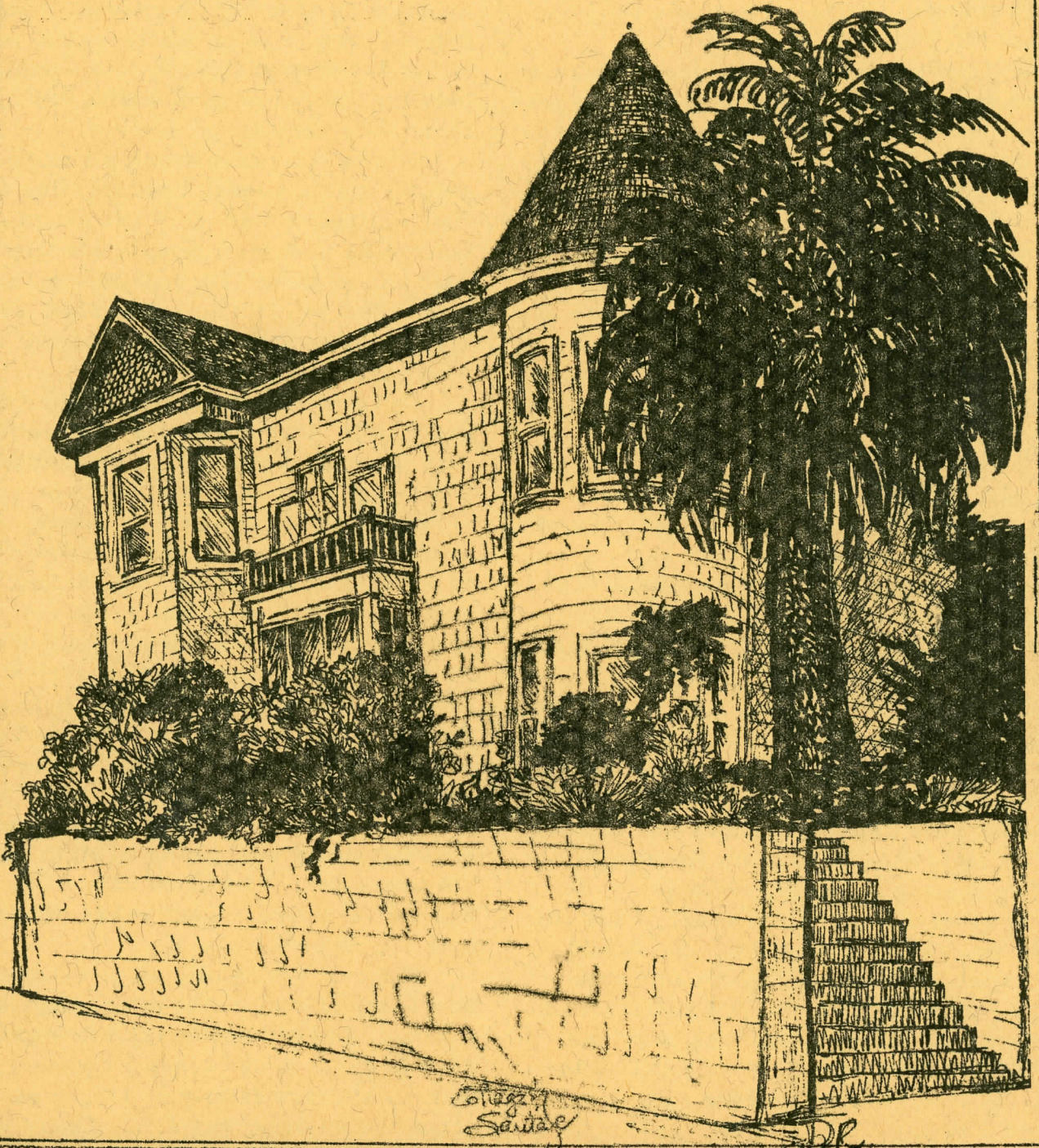
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# VIEWS of SHIMADA

by George Hagen

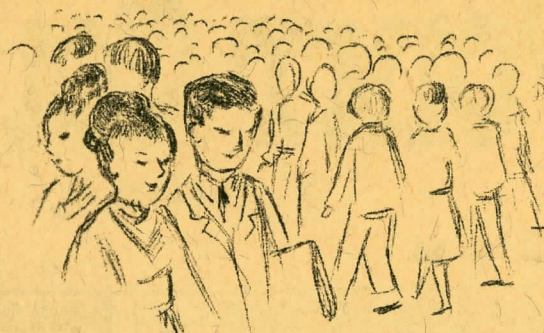
Compared to Richmond, Shimada is a densely packed city. Tokyo has a population density of over 14,000 per square mile, ranking behind Monaco and Macao. Japan supports a population of about 650 per square mile. Japan is about the same size as California, but has five times the population (101,000,000).

If it had not been for the great sense of order and politeness displayed among Japanese people, I think I may have been overwhelmed by their numbers and increasingly pessimistic about the world population problem. Actually, the present population trend in Japan is a cause for optimism, I believe. Their present population growth rate is about 1% versus the world rate of about 2%. The optimism, I feel, is a result of the rate decrease and the hope that it will continue until the growth rate reaches zero.

It is small consolation to a country of 100,000,000 people that it will take 70 years to double to 200,000,000, instead of 35 years, using the 2% growth rate. Japan, like India, obviously feels the pinch. The problem of waiting until something has to be done is that the small growth rate then amounts to a very large number.

Let us assume that the Boeing 707 has been modified for space travel to Jupiter. The moon, Mars and Venus are too small to take care of much surplus earth population. Suppose Japan Air Lines has an hourly 707 flight scheduled from Haneda Airport to Jupiter operating from sun up to sun down every day of the year. If the 200 seats were filled every trip, the annual population increase of Japan could emigrate--almost. The story of two lines of Chinese marching into the sea provides a vivid picture also: They may fill up the sea, but they won't decrease the population of China.

The Dutch and Indonesians seriously considered transporting people from Java to sparsely populated Sumatra several



years ago. The absurdity of the proposal became apparent when the numbers involved were written down. India's problem is also not an unusually high growth rate; it is about the same as the U.S.; but they are faced with a small percent increase on 450,000,000 or more -- a very large number.

One hears scary stories sometimes about Japan's growth rate starting to climb again. I hope they are not true, but rather that their population will peak out at about 120,000,000 and stabilize. That will be no small feat, especially if they have no support from other world leaders.

The growth rate is determined quite accurately by subtracting the death rate from the birth rate. Immigration and emigration are usually minor considerations. In the case of Japan, emigration to South America has dwindled to a trickle. Of course, emigration to another country does not solve the world population problem. After World War II, the death rate in most countries was reduced drastically by advances in medicine and sanitation. In Ceylon, the eradication of malaria reduced the death rate in half, in one year. In most countries, particularly the developing ones, corresponding decreases in birth rates did not occur. The birth rate in Japan has decreased in recent years, along with the death rate.

The average family size in Japan is now four. During some of my English classes, I asked how many siblings each student had. In one class I came up with an average family of 4.5, in another class the average was 5.5. These were families with older children. The most recent families tend to be the smallest.

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# HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving was first celebrated in the fall of 1621, having been set aside as a day of thanks by Governor Bradford.

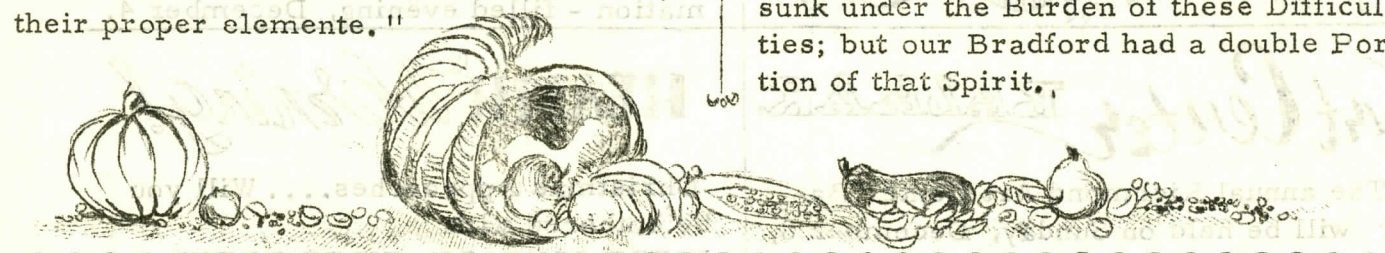
The following is taken from William Bradford's account of "the landing", in his history of Plymouth Plantation:

"...In all this viage ther died but one of the passengers, which was William Dutton, a youth, servant to Samuella Fuller, when they drew near the coast. But to omite other things (that I may be breefe) after longe beating at sea they fell with that land which is called Cape Cod; the which being made and certainly knowne to be it, they were not a little joyfull....

"Being thus arived in a good harbor and brought safe to land, they fell upon their knees and blessed the God of heaven, who had brought them over the vast and furious ocean, and delivered them from all the periles and miseries thereof, againe to set their feete on the firme and stable earth, their proper elemente."

Cotton Mather writes, in his "Life of William Bradford, Esq., Governor of Plymouth Colony",

"For two years together after the beginning of the Colony, whereof he was now Governour, the poor people had a great Experiment of Man's not living by Bread alone; for when they were left all together without one Mor-sel of Bread for many Months one after another, still the good Providence of God relieved them, and supplied them, and this for the most part out of the Sea. In this low Condition of Affairs, there was no little Exercise of the Prudence and Patience of the Governor, who cheerfully bore his part in all; And that Industry might not flag, he quickly set himself to settle Propriety among the New-Planters... Certainly if the Spirit which dwelt in the Old Puritans, had not inspired these New-Planters, they had sunk under the Burden of these Difficulties; but our Bradford had a double Portion of that Spirit."



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# 3. THE WREATH TEA

The ANNUAL WREATH TEA, presented by the West Side Improvement Club, will be Saturday, November 23, in the Point Richmond Community Center, from 12 noon to 5 p.m.

Money made on this tea will be used to buy Christmas baskets for needy families.

Start your Christmas shopping tomorrow at the Community Center...hand-crafted items, decorations, wreaths and many gift items will be available, at reasonable prices. Besides that, there will be Christmas delicacies for sale, made by some of the best cooks in the West. Don't Miss this once-a-year chance to buy hand-sewn and hand-made items. The entire West Side Improvement Club has been preparing for the Tea since last spring. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the colorful displays.



# The CIVIC GROUP Needs YOU!

A meeting of the Point Richmond Civic Group (as always--everyone is invited) will be held on December 4, 1968 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 8 at Washington School.

On the agenda will be Chuck Woodward of the Richmond Planning Department, who will discuss the preservation of ridgelines of hills within the Richmond city limits. A film presentation will also be made of the proposed Shoreline Regional Park. There will also be election of officers for the year 1968-69.

Membership dues (only one dollar--be sure to join!) will be payable at this meeting, or may be sent to treasurer Jack Healy, 762 Ocean Avenue. The membership committee will give you a chance to join before the meeting--they will have tables near the Santa Fe Market Saturday, November 23.

Pay your dues--come and vote--and benefit from an especially information-filled evening, December 4.

# Art Center BAZAAR

The annual Richmond Art Center Bazaar will be held on Sunday, December 8, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. in the Art Center galleries. Funds raised through sales are used to purchase additional equipment for the class studios and galleries.

There will be booths for ceramics, jewelry, lapidary, textiles, prints and Christmas decorations, as well as a "Tired Treasures" booth. As in the past, there will be door prices, the drawing to be held at 4 p.m. Donations of Tired Treasures will be welcome through Thursday, December 5. Donations of works from artists and craftsmen will be gratefully received. Receipts for works, which are tax deductible, will be given.

# HEALTH Warning!

Christmas Approaches.... Will you be bothered with  
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# "Dance Dimensions"

## ENDS TOMORROW

Youth, vitality, exuberance, beauty, discipline.... "Dance Dimensions", a concert presented by the New Dance Workshop and Environmental Dynamics has all these qualities. At their opening performance last week, a group of young people gave a stunning performance at Live Oak Park Little Theater on Shattuck Avenue in Berkeley. Two Point residents, Susan Cherniak in Choreography and dance and Greg Peterson who provided slides, took part in the program.

The program will have its last two showings tonight and tomorrow night (Friday and Saturday, November 22 and 23.)

The show opens with "Origin", a joyous duet created and danced by Susan Cherniak and Ruth Batcher. Other dance numbers are accompanied by special effects, making a colorful and exciting evening. Depicting various aspects of life as we know it, the dances express the paradoxes of living in today's world, but still the evening adds up to a celebration of life. Don't miss this show!

-- Louise Hammond.

## MONUMENTAL

*Exhibit* in Richmond

The Only East Bay showing of the magnificent and famous traveling Exhibition of Afro-American Art and History is to be hosted by the City of Richmond through its Park and Recreation Department. From Tuesday, November 26 to December 31, the public may view the works of art and historical presentations at the Richmond Memorial Youth Center, 3230 Macdonald Avenue, daily from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.

The deeply moving and massive 69 by

4.  
10 foot mural, "Freedom Now", carved from Mahogany by artist Robert W. Ames, highlights the exhibit. Through the 225 bas relief figures, the artist passionately depicts the tragic and heroic struggles of the Afro-Americans beginning with their lives in Africa, the Black experience in America, and ending with the contemporary civil rights struggles in the south. An accompanying slide show with historical commentary by Mr. Ames has made the viewing more meaningful to the thousands of school children and interested groups of adults throughout the nation.

Two exquisite tapestry-quilts designed by architect Ben Irvin, and painstakingly created over a 4 year period by the interracial History Quilt Club of Sausalito and Marin City some 15 years ago, are also part of the exhibit. One 8' by 10' tapestry depicts Frederic Douglass who escaped from slavery to become the brilliant spokesman of the abolitionist movement, and the other quilt represents courageous Harriet Tubman, who led 400 slaves to freedom via the "Underground Railroad."

Added depth and relatedness is given to Afro-American history through the display of ancient African sculpture and tapestry, figurines and busts of famous Black Americans and a display of literature pertinent to Black History.

Thomas Wilson, Director of Richmond Park and Recreation Department, expressed the feeling of those planning the exhibit, when he said, "This exhibit is an artistic and emotional experience; so moving, so meaningful that mere words cannot describe it. We hope that every child and adult of Richmond and the surrounding communities will share this rare experience with us during the month that we are privileged to show it."

The traveling exhibit, which has just finished a two-month showing in Grace Cathedral, S.F., is made possible through the Sue Bailey Thurman Museum Exchange of San Francisco, through money raised by local groups, and active citizens.

Every person in Richmond is invited.



# TEENS

by Judy Stubblefield

## ARTS AND CRAFTS CLASS.....

An Arts and Crafts Class will start on Tuesday afternoons at 3:30. The first class will be December 3 in the Community Center. We are fortunate to have Katherine Roberts, a Point resident, conducting the class. Mrs. Roberts received her degree in art from San Francisco State, and has taught in public schools.

The first projects will make good Christmas presents: modern Christmas wreathes, peace medallions, god's eyes, and paper maché animals. Start collecting materials for the Christmas wreathes -- pine cones, acorns, eucalyptus seeds and any other natural seed.

Small fees will be charged, only for materials, on special projects. **DON'T FORGET .... TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, at 3:30, in the COMMUNITY CENTER.**

**NEW HOURS** for teens at the Community Center are as follows:

**MONDAY:** 3:30 to 5:30 Girls Club,  
7:00 to 9:00 Drop - In.

**TUESDAY:** 3:30 to 5:30 Art Class

**WEDNESDAY:** 3:30 to 5:30 Drop - In.

**THURSDAY:** CLOSED.....

**FRIDAY:** 3:30 to 5:30 Drop In for  
7th, 8th, and 9th grades.  
7:30 - 9:30 Drop - In.

Last week end, Bob Burchell and Mike Brougham went to Asilomar, as Point Richmond representatives to the Northern California Youth Association.

This year, the conference seminars were conducted by youth in art, poetry, drama, music and dance, and expressed

what youth is doing in these areas today. It was a very good conference; in fact, one of the best ever held.

**THE DEADLINE** for Youth Commission applications is coming soon -- December 3, Tuesday. This will be the group of thirteen who will advise the City Council on matters concerning youth. Applications may be obtained and turned in at the Community Center.

## CAMP FIRE Girls

The ceremony, last week, held by the Camp Fire Girls in honor of the Merry Blue Bird Fly-Up, included the following Blue Birds: Sharon Amantite, Annette Booth, Colleen Campbell, Sonja Egger, Michelle Healy, Casey Hurly, Debbie Miller, Gladys Ninayahuar, and Brenda Watson.

**THURSDAY,** The Camp Fire Girls sixth grade group, Elu Tah Hah, were planning a dog show, with the help of Mrs. Allyn, our leader. We hope to have the dog show early in December, since most of the girls have dogs, except some who have two.

--Tepe Wawa





# Reminiscing

with Don Church

Interesting and sometimes amusing articles from old Richmond and Point Richmond newspapers, courtesy of the Richmond Museum.

## "AEROPLANE HITS HILL NEAR POINT AND BURNS "

### TALES OF 1920

#### "LISTEN, MATES, 'TIS A SAD, SAD TALE"

(The US went dry during 1920, and all alcoholic beverages were prohibited..)

"In through the Golden Gate proudly rode the steamer Myrmidon.

"Cut through the Golden Gate into the sunset stately strode the namesake of Achilles hosts.

"Dimmed to a speck, then lost beyond the skyline, sailed the classic titled traveler of the seas.

"And there were few to note and none to honor, though had harbored a royal ransom unaware.

"Listen to the laconic reporter of the docks: 'Steamer Myrmidon arrived Vancouver, B. C., 25,000 cases scotch whiskey. Called into Golden Gate enroute.'

"This cargo, the largest of its kind ever to come to the Pacific Coast, was not even mentioned in a whisper here. And incidentally, it was ten times more valuable in California than in Vancouver--if that makes any difference."

"The airplane in which Lts. Williams and Mockbee were returning from San Francisco to Mather Field at Sacramento

yesterday is a charred wreck upon the hill above the Richmond-San Rafael Ferry. The pilots lost their bearings in the mist about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The plane was flying at 90 miles per hour and suddenly before the aviators could regain their bearings, the plane crashed on top of the hill. The gasoline tank caught



fire but Williams, who was thrown clear of the plane, dragged Mockbee from the plane. Neither man was seriously injured. Both men were taken to the Standard Oil Company emergency hospital and their injuries treated. The plane was a total loss.

In 1922, the following churches participated in a combined Thanksgiving service: First Baptist, St. Edmunds Episcopal, First Christian, Community Methodist, Grace Lutheran, Stege Presbyterian, Wesley Methodist, First Methodist Episcopal, Trinity Episcopal, and First Presbyterian.



## CHRISTMAS PARTY

The West Side Improvement Club will hold its Christmas Party at noon on December 5, with a pot luck luncheon and gift exchange, at the Point Community Center.

## PUBLICATION PARTY

A cordial invitation is extended to every one in Point Richmond ( and elsewhere ) to celebrate the first birthday of Kellers Beach, to take tours of the proposed Regional Park site, and to take part in the "Publication Party" of the "Picnic-at-the-Point-Park Cook Book.

There will be refreshments ( mulled wine, tea and coffee), and samples of the results of recipes in the book; tours, music by the Point Richmond Recorder and Giggling Society; and an art exhibit--a showing of the art collection of Gertrude Harris.

This will take place Sunday afternoon, December 8, from 2:00 to 5:00. If you are also planning to attend the Richmond Art Center Annual Bazaar, go there first, and then come for refreshments, to the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Knox, 229 Bishop Avenue, Point Richmond.

## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Richmond Symphony Chorus will make its first public appearance of the season, under the direction of Ron Daniels, December 15. The fine chorus is performing as a benefit to raise funds for the Community Music Center.... The Music Center had hoped to open this year, but the usual lack of funds has slowed progress. When started, it will provide expert instruction in all phases of music and instruments, for all residents of Richmond.

Look for more information about the concert--you'll enjoy the Christmas music!

## LIVE THEATER

William Douglas, film and TV actor, presents a children's program in the silent art of mime, "The Circus", November 28, 29 and 30 and December 1 at "The Theater" in Berkeley (phone 848 - 2791).

Contra Costa Teenage and Pocket Theater will be presented the first two weeks of December at the Harding School Auditorium, Fairmount and Ashbury in El Cerrito. Pocket classes will do three plays, "Saga of Davy Rocket", "House of Horrors" and "BeBop and Beethoven!" The teenage class will do "Get Smart" based on the TV series

## SPECIALS

INTERESTING TV specials that you may want to see during Thanksgiving and Christmas vacations:

November 28: Thanksgiving Parades and Football games.

November 28: "Children's Special" animation, including "Barnaby". Channel 5 - 2 to 3 p.m.

December 3: "Reptiles and Amphibians" by the Geographic Society. Channel 5 - 7:30 p.m.

December 8: "A Charlie Brown Christmas", Channel 5, 7:30 p.m.

December 8: "Pinocchio", musical with Peter Noone (Herman's Hermits) and Burl Ives. Channel 4.

● FOR MEN ONLY: Point Richmond husband to Point Richmond wife: "If it isn't Save the Bay Day" or "Picnic in the Point Park Day" or "Join the Civic Group Day", WILL YOU PLEASE SEW THAT BUTTON ON MY SHIRT?" --Louise Foran.



# THE OLD PROF HOPPED UP HISTORY



FERD. MAGELLAN

The life of FERDINAND MAGELLAN  
Contains some facts that need retellan.  
So let us take a look at FERD  
And try to learn just what occerd.

He was, by birth, a PORTUGUESE.  
Who sailed across the seven suese.  
From BORNEO to MOZAMBIQUE  
Expensive spices he did sique.

And on each South Pacific Isle  
He'd dilly-dally for a whisle,  
With pretty female residents  
Whose charms were much in evidents.

Now FERDY was a brilliant seaman  
And all the time he was a-scheaman  
To get some ships with sails unfurled,  
And sail'em clean around the wurled.

He asked his King for ships and money.  
The King said that was downright foney.  
MAGELLAN had the urge to smite him  
But thought he'd rather switch than  
fight him.

And so he got the King of SPAIN  
(Who also thought he was insain)  
To raise the needed revenues  
And start him on the first world-crues.

Magellan sailed through seas quite  
foreign

Until at last he reached CAPE  
HOREIGN.

His crew all came down with lumbago,  
Down near TIERRA DEL FUAGO.

They had a fearsome interlude  
Where they were almost out of fude.  
So by the time they reached NEW  
GUINEA,

Those boys were pretty doggone  
skinnea!

Magellan went ashore for water,  
Which was a thing he hadn't ater.  
A native took a poison dart  
And zinged it into Ferdy's hart.

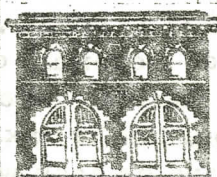
Thus ends MAGELLAN'S sorry tale,  
To come so close, and yet to fale...  
So, if the sea is your ambition,  
May I suggest we just go fition?

\*Robert C. Friend

\* CHRISTMAS items are now being  
unpacked at the Shop Upstairs...the  
beautiful Mexican Christmas ornaments  
are ready to be bought--for gifts or  
use as your own holiday decor. Deco-  
rative paper plates, toys and gift items  
are filling the shop...come and take  
your pick of the many Christmas acces-  
sories.

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# The Point

by Mid Dornan  
(234-5334)

**SAFETY FIRST..** Praise is the hand-iest fire extinguisher to have around, and no household is safe without it.

**GET WELL...** It is hoped that surgery performed this week at Brookside Hospital on Bob Walker of Tunnel Avenue will successfully correct the fibroid thrombosis of the leg which has kept him from work for seven weeks.

**VACATIONS** do show! And you may have noticed an extra sparkle and bounce in the Jack Healy family, who spent a relaxing week in Yosemite doing whatever appealed to them at the moment. Last week-end they entertained relatives from

Pleasanton by dining at the Point Orient.

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**FUNERAL** services were held on Monday at Our Lady of Mercy Church, for Marie Mainini, who passed away Friday, after a lengthy illness. Born and raised at 212 Bishop Avenue, Marie lived at 248 Western Drive, and is survived by her husband Joe, and sons, LeRoy and Robert. Marie is remembered by hundreds of Washington School children as their noontime yard supervisor.

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**BIRTHDAY...** Belated happy Birthday wishes to Annie Smith, Joe Martin, Ada Crew and Gertrude Paasch. And Happy Twenty-Seventh Anniversary to Bessie and Ed Squires.

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**DEATH...** Another long-time resident of the Point, Louis Berg, of 162 Santa Fe, died Tuesday at Brookside Hospital. He was the night serviceman for 35 years, for the Johnson Truck Lines of the Point, before he retired.

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**FACE-LIFTING...** Watch for a face-lifting soon on the Odd Fellows Hall, on West Richmond Avenue. This group of honest, sincere people, many of whom are long-time Richmond residents, want to do their part in keeping the Point attractive.

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**AT THE HOLIDAY FAIR...** How good to see our Kathy White sampling the goodies at the Holiday Fair last Friday, at the Methodist Church. Kathy has just returned from a food editors' convention in New York City and the Point still looks good to her even if she doesn't still live here.

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**HOSPITALIZED...** If you are at Brookside Hospital, drop in and see Dorothy Harten, who is there for observation. She is anxious to return home, and be back working in the Washington School Library.

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THANKSGIVING... The Gary Smiths will spend Thanksgiving in Redwood City with the family of one of Frances' school-mates. Sandra, Mike and John are eagerly looking forward to having their sister, Cheryl, join them too.

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FROM MAINE TO CALIFORNIA.... Our bi-monthly calls from Maine are soon to cease. Doug Clark (formerly of Washington Ave., Point Richmond) has accepted a position in Long Beach, and the family will be moving to that Southern California area after the first of the year... Welcome back to where you started, Jessie!

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SCHOOL SPIRIT... How long has it been since you've attended a school football or basketball game? The enthusiasm from school spirit is contagious and is recommended to rejuvenate and refresh your attitudes toward youth.

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OVERHEARD in a girls' dorm at UOP: "Gee, today is my mother's birthday, but she doesn't want anyone to know

her, age... we are predicting a 43-0 victory over Stanford."

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ALMOST NEW... Larry and Janice (Squires) Jones' new baby daughter is already five weeks old!

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LITTER... Several complaints have been voiced by people who voted at Washington School, regarding the litter on the playground and the general physical appearance of the building. Their justifiable pride was jaundiced and they feel it is an adult responsibility to instill this same pride of good citizenship in these children. To the others who might have noticed, the PTA is aware of the situation and at their last meeting, recommended action regarding the matter. But, also remember--example is the true teacher.

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TRADITIONS.... A bride served baked ham and her husband asked why she cut the ends off. "Well, that's the way mother always did it," she explained. The next time (next page, please)

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his mother-in-law stopped by, he asked her why she cut the ends off the ham. "That's the way my mother did it!" she replied.

And, when Grandma visited, she too was asked why she sliced off the ends... She said, "That's the only way I could get it into the pan."

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THE M Y F... Junior High age youth-- held an unusual scavenger hunt last Sunday night. They went looking for canned goods for the Fred Finch home, a Methodist-sponsored center for children whose parents are unable to care for them.

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CAMP FIRE BEACH PARTY... The weather cooperated for Connie Healy and Barbara Campbell so they could have the promised beach party at Kellers Beach for their fourth grade Camp Fire Girls last Tuesday. Their love for beaches is sending them searching for an Indian name that will include something about a beach in it. They bought a new toy from the Shop Upstairs from their treasury funds and took it to the Point Firehouse to be given to the Christmas toy shop.

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ELU TA HAH Sixth grade Camp Fire Girls went roller skating last week.

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PA KA NENA Junior High Camp Fire Girls are preparing for their fifth and next-to-highest rank, the Individual Torch Bearer. They must choose a field in their own particular interest and they will have the aid and advice from a specialist. They will be learning the development of abilities, skills, knowledge, enjoyment and enriching their own life. They also want to thank Hardman and Veora Heiney for providing materials for the popcorn balls and punch at their last meeting.

➔ WATCH FOR THE NEWS ABOUT WASHINGTON PLAYGROUND IN NEXT WEEK'S PAPER.



➔ The discussion of opening negotiations for the Regional Park has been held over to December 16th City Council meeting... what's to discuss when they have endorsed it three times??? They'll find something.



# NEW

## BOOKS at the West Side (Hurray)

by Mary Burkhard.

### IN THE WAKE OF THE SEA SERPENTS

by Bernard Hauvelmans is a serious probe into the question of sea monsters. The author has thoroughly investigated over 500 reported sightings in a most scientific manner. He accepts only that which can be proved and has been able to pin down seven distinct types of sea serpents. The book concludes with chronologies of sightings, strandings, and captures. A book to live up to his earlier highly-acclaimed, On the Track of Unknown Animals.

For either the budding or the dedicated astrologist, we've a new tome titled ASTROLOGY by Louis MacNeice. It is lavishly illustrated and offers chapters on the planets, the signs of the zodiac, and the anatomy of the horoscope. The reader is shown how to make his own horoscope, and how to use it to assess his life and actions. There isn't a waiting list yet, but come quickly or it will be gone!

There are two new political novels: The MUNICH INVOLVEMENT by Frederic Mullally is an excellent "thriller" set in present day Germany. THE ANTAGONISTS by Roy Doliner is set in the Congo and in Manhattan. It is an absorbing blend of fact and invention that erupts into sudden terrifying violence. It is pertinent and frank, exposing the brawling, behind-the-scenes conflict of nations and men.

I'll conclude this week with A MAURIAC READER by Francois Mauriac. This book presents in one volume five of the greatest novels of a great French Novelist. They are, "A Kiss for the Leper", "Genetrix", "The Desert of Love", "The Knot of Vipers", and "Woman of the Pharisees," all in the superb translations by Gerard Hopkins. These five novels cover the range

and scope of Mauriac's art over several decades -- from 1922, when "A Kiss for the Leper" was first published in French, to 1941, when "Woman of the Pharisees" originally appeared. Mauriac was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature, in 1952.



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# Carrier's Pigeon

(Eighth month of pregnancy)

by Louise Foran

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Must carry, night and morn,  
Our young, till that elusive day  
When, praise the Lord, they're born!

Oviparous they, who carefree, lay  
Their eggs within a nest,  
Or lightly leave them on a pond--  
I think they have it best!

## Something NEW

Face-lifting has reached another building in Point Richmond. The shop between the Richmond Supply Company and the Santa Fe Market on West Richmond Avenue has unmasked its windows to show off some unusual antique items, custom-made jewelry, clothing and leather goods.

Co-owners of the new shop, "H and L Antiques", are Herb Hodge, of San Francisco, where he had a large gallery, and Lee Saxe of Point Richmond.

Mr. Hodge has exhibited at the Sacramento State Fair, and features silver and gold jewelry and buttons. His designs are beautiful flowing creations, and must be seen to appreciate their unusual beauty.

Lee Saxe designs simple elegant dresses especially for the original buttons.

Their collection of buttons numbers above 10,000. Besides antique buttons, their antiques show a representation of almost every country in the world. Fine examples of Bavarian, Indian, and Old American pieces are on exhibit.

Custom leather work, including purses are available, made by "Leather Works" by David and Kie, of Carl Street, San Francisco.

Be sure to stop in and look around!





with Dorothy King.

The Wesleyan Guild group of the First Methodist Church enjoyed the Masquers Play, "Home is the Hunter," Friday evening. After the show they were invited to the home of Helen Crim.

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Mrs. Linda Nichols of Healdsburg gave a baby shower for Mrs. Kenneth Bivin. Also in attendance were Letha Bivin, Sharon Bivin and Mrs. Leonard Bivin.

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Last week's meeting of the Wesleyan Guild was held at the home of Dorothy King. Plans were made for a Christmas party and also for a rummage sale in the near future.

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Next week, at the Ichthus Coffe House, artist KiKi will show her Tole paintings. (an eighteenth century folk art).

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Mr. Pete Bellani, bartender at The Spot, has returned from the hospital and is recuperating nicely from surgery.

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Mrs. Margaret Castro from the New Todd Hotel has been quite ill.

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Mr. and Mrs. Veil Hammond enjoyed a two-day out of town vacation, in Burney.

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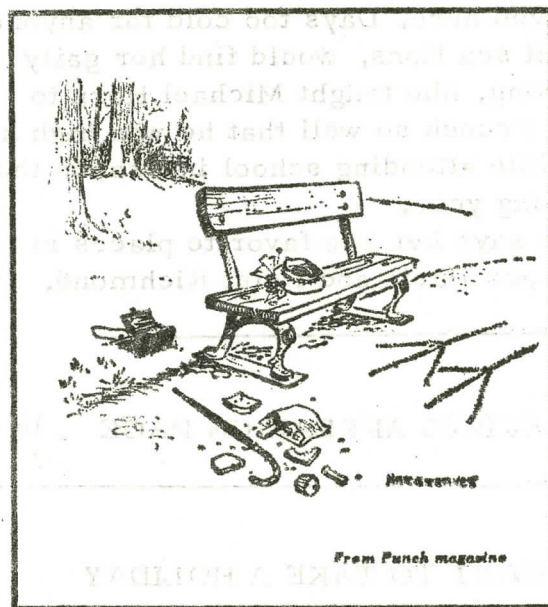
Monday night's City Council was short, but, as one of the councilmen themselves noted, it was obvious that some members are already starting to run for office, and the meeting was bombastic, if nothing else. Two of the members were particularly unwilling to consider the thought of including Kellers Beach in a Regional

Park, noting that the city had paid dearly for it. To have its maintenance now spread over the tax base of the East Bay area would seem to be a way to save money, but this fact was hidden as often as possible by comments about previous costs.

ONE OF THE STAR performers at the recent Holiday Decorations Program in November was Ken Janes of 421 Western Drive. Calling his decorative arrangements "Christmas Gaiety with Antiques" Ken combined a variety of natural and treated materials with unusual containers to produce on stage one after another, ten beautiful, colorful holiday arrangements, before a very appreciative audience in the Oakland Auditorium Theater.

Ken is an Interior Decorator, with a studio in the newly renovated Old Fire House. Some of the holiday decorative arrangements he created at the Oakland Show will be on display in his studio around the first of December.

--Jackie Watkins.



From Punch magazine



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## Letter FROM FRANCE

Sylvia Prinnet, a young Parisian woman who spent a year in 1963 with the Walter Horn family on Western Drive, writes from Paris:

"I graduated from University last June, in spite of what we call 'the events', which means the revolution we had in May and June. The greatest part of the country is back in order now, but it is still a bit messy in the Universities."

"In the United States we heard that finally Nixon won the election. I suppose it wasn't very exciting with such candidates."

"In France, DeGaulle is stronger than ever, but people are sicker than ever about him. I wonder how it can happen; his party won the elections in June, but no one seems to care about him. That is the way the cookie crumbles c'est la vie..."

She goes on to say that she has a charming little girl called Juliette with pink skin and brown eyes and brown hair. She smiles all the time, even without being capable of saying 'cheese'. "Isn't she a genius?"

Her husband is an engineer and travels very often in Germany and Switzerland. She says she "would like to travel to San Francisco again and visit Point Richmond where I spent such a charming year."

Sylvie was a devoted swimmer when she lived here. Days too cold for anyone else but sea lions, would find her gaily splashing. She taught Michael Horn to speak French so well that he won high honors while attending school in France the following year.

She says her two favorite places in the world are Paris and Point Richmond.

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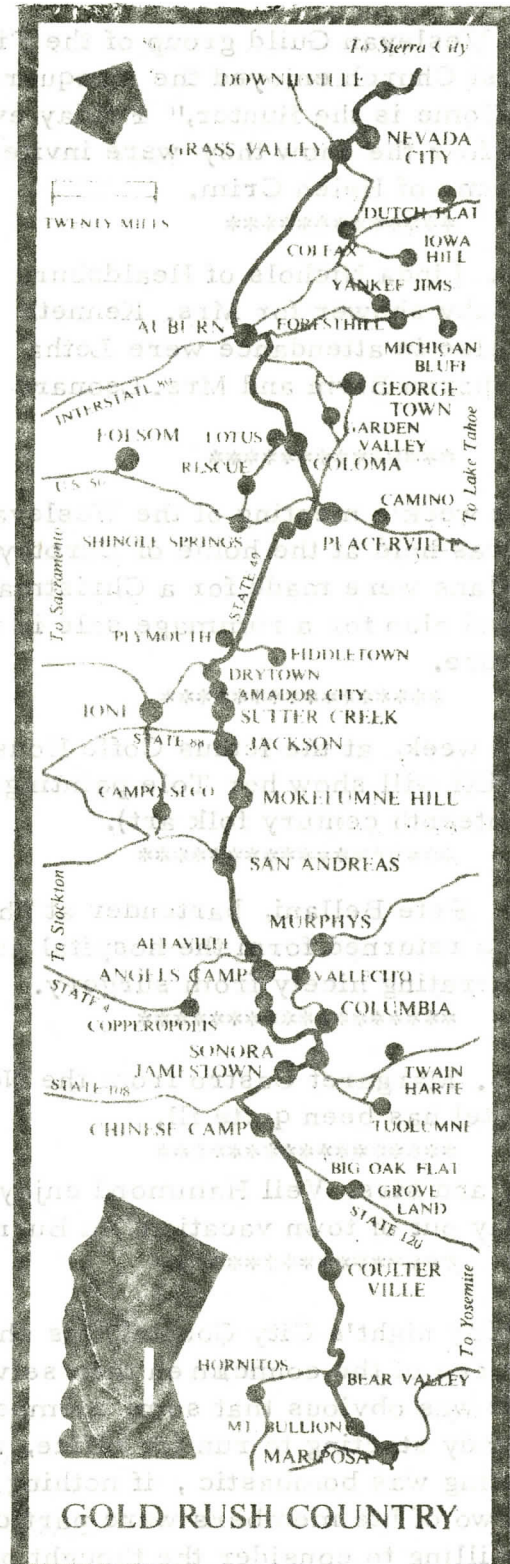
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WANT TO TAKE A HOLIDAY TRIP? The accompanying map appeared in the magazine "California Tomorrow", and lists most of the interesting towns

in the "Gold Rush Country."

So many towns are being cut through by freeways, it might be a good idea to take off an visit them ... they change pretty rapidly, with the increase in tourist trade and accompanying traffic.





## NEW ARRIVAL!

There are a few stencils that appear in this issue which we have had ready for some time, meaning to use them with special articles at some time in the future.

We are using them now because something very exciting is about to happen. Our machine is having a baby! She may be old enough to be a grandmother, but she is having a baby. A brand new arrival will take her place in our household beginning next week. The old mimeograph has served well, and we'll miss her BUT we have great hopes that (once we get used to the new model) the paper may be easier to read, and easier to run off.

Anyway, the reason for running the pictures in this issue, all at once, is that the new machine won't use the same stencils.

## RECIPES for the HOLIDAYS

### PUMPKIN WHIP

BY Gerrie Kretzmer

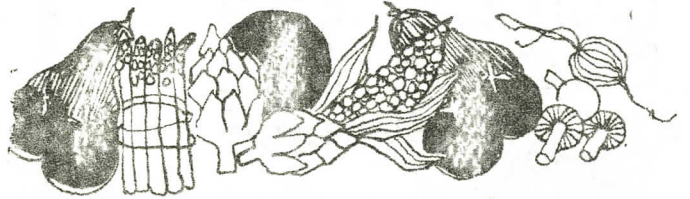
1 1/2 C. Mincemeat      1/4 t. salt  
1/4 c. chopped walnuts   3 egg whites  
2 T. lemon juice      1/4 c. sugar

Start oven at 325 degrees. Mix mincemeat, walnuts and lemon juice together. Add salt to egg whites and beat till they hold a soft peak. Sprinkle in sugar gradually and beat hard till you have a satiny meringue mixture. Mix with mincemeat gently. Pour into 1 quart shallow baking dish. Bake 35 minutes. Cool. Serve with custard

sauce:

### CUSTARD SAUCE

Beat 3 egg yolks slightly. Mix in 3 T. suage and dash of salt. Heat 1 1/2 c. milk till a film forms on surface and pour into egg mixture very slowly, stirring constantly. Cook over boiling water, stirring, till the sauce coats a spoon. Add 1/2 t. vanilla and 1 t. lemon juice. Chill. Serves 6.



### PUMPKIN CAKE

1 c. Chopped filberts, toasted  
1 cup sugar  
2 beaten eggs  
3 cups sifted flour  
1/4 t. baking soda  
1 t. cinnamon  
1/4 t. cloves  
1/2 c. shortening  
1 cup brown sugar  
1 cup canned pumpkin  
4 tsp. baking powder  
1/2 t. nutmeg  
1/2 c. milk

Toast filberts 20 minutes at 275 degrees. Cream shortening, gradually adding sugars. Beat in eggs and pumpkin. Sift dry ingredients and add alternately with milk. Fold in filberts. Bake in 3 greased 8" pans at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Cool five minutes in pans, then on racks. Add filberts to butter cream frosting.



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17. (SHIMADA--continued from p. 1)

The percentage of people under 19 years of age in Japan has been declining for a long time. In 1955, the group accounted for 11.5% of the entire population. In 1960 that percentage fell to 10% and in 1965 to

8.4%. This trend obviously forecasts some problems as well as hope in other areas. They need not be concerned about overcrowded schools with a declining number of students. The teachers I asked did not feel concerned about losing their jobs, but looked forward to smaller classes. However, a shortage of workers is already being felt in many parts of Japan,

Next Week: a look at how the reduction in Japan's population growth rate came about.

## AFS NEWS

This years' AFS students are getting settled in the routine of their new schools in their new communities. Luciano Renni of Italy is attending Richmond High, south Campus; From Australia, Ann Page has come to attend DeAnza High School; Ivonne Parra is here from Chile, attending Pinole Valley High School, and two students, Maria Angela Porri from Italy and Leena Kotilainen from Finland are attending John F. Kennedy high School.

Community organizations and groups will certainly enjoy these students, and they will be available to attend meetings and speak about their countries, and impressions of this country. Arrangements for daytime speaking dates may be made by calling Mrs. Robert Mullen (223-1300); evening speaking engagements may be arranged by calling Mrs. Vincent Romano (223-4625). After December, the students will be available to speak, before that time, representatives from the AFS will speak to organizations, giving information about the organization and how it operates in Richmond. The search for host families is approaching. If you would like to serve as a host family for a foreign exchange student in the next school year, call Mrs. R. L. Stott, 232-1088, who is in charge of students who will attend Kennedy or Mrs. Gordon Hoffman, 758-2880, who is in charge of Richmond High.

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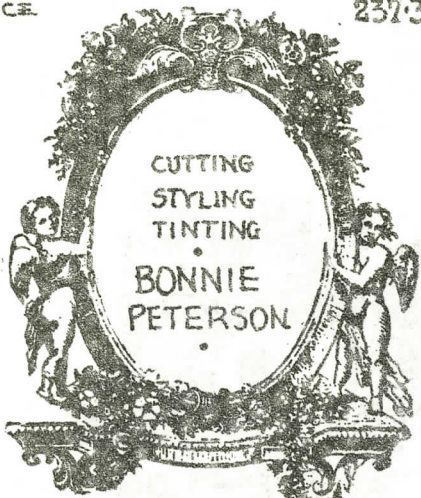
"Water and air pollution are regional concerns . . .  
Problems of transportation are of regional concern . . .  
The protection of open land from urban destruction is decidedly a regional concern . . . It is  
time that the regional city be converted from  
phantom to reality."



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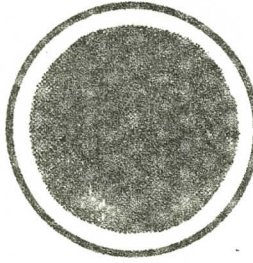


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He would probably incur the wrath of scholarly Clyde Woolridge, President of the Board, not to mention Richard C. Trudeau, Acting General Manager. EBRPD pop-corn standards are very high indeed.

At the last Board meeting, Trudeau was authorized to advertise for pop-corn bids for the 1969 calendar year. (Pop-corn is not figured on the fiscal year).

So he'll be asking for bids on 250 cases of "pop-corn bricks, colored red", caramel corn" and fifty 50-pound bags of just plain (39 - to - 1) pop-corn.

All this pop-corn, mind you, has got to be of the "large yellow hybrid type" Inbred pop-corn simply won't do.

Trudeau, a stickler about such things, pointed to a requirement that the pop-corn bricks must be made "with a sufficient quantity of candy substance to form a solid brick."

Trudeau was also authorized by the Board to advertise for bids for 50 cartons of pop-corn seasoning -- at least 13 red-- and 150 cases of syrup for sno-cones.

The syrup will be handy for the Christmas season.

It's got to be available in "dark red or dark green".

Trudeau planned to review the complicated specifications again this weekend before calling for the bids.

(press release from EBRPD)

The Annual competitions for the Club Mendelssohn Scholarship Awards will be held Monday, January 20, 1969 at St. Luke's Methodist Church, 32nd and Barrett Ave. Any ninth, tenth or eleventh or twelfth grade student of music may apply. Application forms available from Mrs. Joseph E. Moore, 4626 Meadowbrook Dr.



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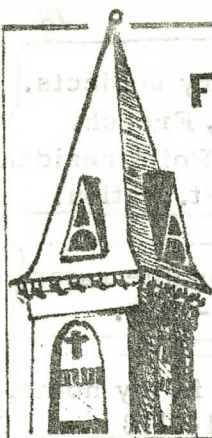
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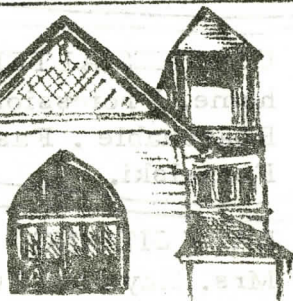
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NOV. 28 - THANKSGIVING DAY

DEC. 4 - Wednesday - Point Richmond Civic Group Meeting - Washington School, room 8. 7:30 p.m. Illustrated report by Planning Department planner-Chuck Woodward, on Ridgelines in Richmond. Movie on Shoreline Park. Everyone welcome.

DEC. 5 - West Side Improvement Club Christmas party-Community Center. 12 noon. Pot-luck luncheon, gift exchange.