

## STUDENTS AND COMETS SHARE LEAGUE CEILING; FIRST CIRCUIT HIT MADE

Matching two wins by the Abbotsford Comets, our Students nine shares the lead in the Abbotsford and Services fastball league following a 10-6 triumph over the Reserve Army Wednesday. Coach FO Don McIlveen's charges conclude the second week of games tonight against a strong EFTS outfit in a struggle for the loop lead.

A feature of Wednesday's clash with the Army was the first four-base clout of the season.

LAC K. J. M. Smith registered the long distance hit—a long one down the third base line.

Last week saw the Students trim the Navy entry by a sizeable score, the Comets trounce the Reserve Army and Mission eke out a win over the RCAF staff. Weather held up Monday and Tuesday contests, but both will be played off soon.

Standings of the league after one week of play is.

	W	L	Pct.
RCAF Students	2	0	1.000
Comets	2	0	1.000
Mission Elks	1	0	1.000
EFTS	1	0	1.000
RCAF Students	1	0	1.000
Navy	0	1	.000
RCAF Staff	0	2	.000
Reserve Army	0	3	.000

Games for the balance of this week and next are: Friday, May 12—RCAF Students vs EFTS; Monday, May 15—Navy vs Mission; Tuesday, May 16—EFTS vs RCAF Staff; Wednesday, May 17—Mission vs Reserve Army.

### MRS. MARY T. TONELLI

Funeral services were held in Vancouver on Monday for Mrs. Mary Theresa Tonelli, mother of Joseph Bertalino, RCAF, at No. 24 EFTS, Abbotsford, who passed away on Friday.

### ONLY RCAF STATION VISITED

## Vice-Regal Inspection Honors No. 24 EFTS Here

His Excellency, the Earl of Athlone, Governor-General of Canada, on Monday paid No. 24 EFTS here a signal honor, visiting it as the only RCAF establishment to be touched during his West Coast tour. Together with Her Royal Highness, Princess Alice, and his retinue which included high-ranking officials and army officers, the Governor-General arrived at the local school at 11:30 Monday morning during a shower and immediately proceeded to one of the huge hangars where the service personnel of the unit was on parade.

Lowering clouds and occasional rain had forced the event indoors. Original plans had called for a tarmac parade, with officers and airmen lined up before their aircraft facing an avenue down which the vice-regal party was to have passed.

Flight Lieutenant L. S. Milne, assistant chief flying instructor, called the parade to attention and ordered the salute to the Governor-General, after which Manager Stewart McKercher, KC, Squadron Leader G. E. Kerley, chief flying instructor, were introduced to the distinguished visitor.

President Austin C. Taylor of the Vancouver Air Training Co. Ltd., operators of the flying school, headed the directors present for the visit. Dr. W. K. Sproule and W. G. MacKenzie, company directors, met the Governor-General and conversed with him briefly.

Also honored with introductions to the party were RCAF and civilian officials of the school who were gathered in the hangar for the event.

In the Governor-General's retinue were Major General Pearkes, Major General Ganong, Col. Tobin, Major Clayton, Capt. Holland, Sir Shuldham Redfern, the

Governor-General's secretary, and Miss Grenfell, lady-in-waiting to Her Royal Highness.

High government officials with the vice-regal party included H. R. McMillan, connected with the national shipbuilding program, and F. H. Brown, financial advisor to the minister of munitions and supply.

### Chats with Student Pilots

The entire RCAF parade was inspected by the Governor-General and his aides, in company with Manager McKercher and SL Kerley. His Excellency showed special interest in a number of operational observers and gunners who are now training here as pilots, chatting with them briefly before moving on to other ranks.

Following his inspection of the air force parade, the Governor-General then boarded his limousine and was taken through the lines of parked aircraft to another hangar, where all civilian personnel of the station had gathered.

There he and his party again left their cars and, together with Manager McKercher and Chief Engineer W. E. Sambrooke, moved through the ranks of the employees, occasionally stopping for a word with one or two.

Princess Alice was especially interested in the women employees of the school, talking  
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THE BREEZE

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TOO YOUNG TO DIE...

Two weeks ago, The Breeze was  
eight months old - the most perm-  
anant ~~extra-curricular~~ activity  
on the station.

During its Volume I six months  
and so far during Vol. II, it has  
been essentially a one-man effort.  
The midnight oil has burned every  
week as each Friday's edition was  
put to bed.

This week, The Breeze is nearer  
to folding than it has ever been;  
the burden of producing this news  
paper week in and week out, in ad-  
dition to regular instructional  
duties, has become overpowering.

We hate to think The Breeze is  
blowing away, but will somebody  
please tell us what we can do?

THEY LAUGHED...

The audience hooted n' hollered  
but nevertheless it's true -- all  
EFTS company revenue goes back in  
to the government coffers.



Sir:

I was quite disgusted to read  
the woes of the poor unfortunate  
souls who complain about the lack  
of an airmen's wet canteen. Af-  
ter all, there are some stations  
doing quite nicely without same.  
I agree it's rather unfair to al-  
low officers and NCO's their bars  
but, even so, a wet canteen is no  
improvement on any flying station  
but a drawback.

AL T. TUBE

(The wet canteen question has ex-  
cited much interest; expect some  
official consideration shortly-Ed)

Sir:

After 10 days leave, I noticed  
on my return many improvements,  
particularly the levelled grounds  
and the removal of old buildings.

However, I had difficulty find-  
ing my way back to barracks thru  
the dust and found my bunk had  
accumulated a good layer during  
my absence, which leads to this  
suggestion:

Back home, our town was notori-  
ous for dusty streets until they  
decided to oil them. Cheap fuel  
oil and old motor oil were used  
so couldn't we do it here? LAC

(We won't have to, for contracts  
have been let for road paving, to  
start very soon on all our roads.

- Ed.)

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# BITS OF THE BREEZE

Wednesday night's Variety Show in Town Hall— presented by Service Shows of Vancouver -- was well received. From the time Ed Wallie Peters presented Ray Romaine as master of ceremonies until the final number, it was eaten up by a large crowd. Acts included Hilda McLennan, violinist; Mary MacLeod, Scotch songs; Harry Booth, songs and impersonations; Romaine and Babetta, acrobats; Phyllis Boscott and Dorah Woodley, dancers.

Church parade Sunday night will be a voluntary affair, Rev. C.W. Bryce, padre, announced today. Holy Communion will be served during the services, which will start at 6:15.

On station today is Wing Commander Anderson, head of flying training in No. 4 Training Command. FL Aitken, DFC and Bar, was a visitor this week, on business here in the interests of leadership development.



C. J. Watson

"... and here's another spot you didn't clean."

Flying control is now in full charge of WAC, under FL Barry Forster. Corporals and AC1's of WAC now handle the lights. Cpl. Norm Bath, of Victoria, replaces Cpl. Maurice Mead as service policeman here.

School Council Wednesday named Eric Adams, Ed. Barrie and Chas. Wilde a committee to investigate what materials are available for summer civilian uniforms. Other business included discussion of a report by Wing Commander McKee, command organization officer, who is here May 5. Flight rooms are to receive more furniture.

Station standing orders, long in preparation, will be shortly out. They're coming off the press now.

# THE WOLF

by Sansone



"How can I get rid of pests?"

## CONGRATS FROM COMMAND FOR RCAF LOAN RESPONSE

Wing Commander S.P. Kent, chairman of the No. 4 Training Command Victory Loan committee, this week added official congratulations to No. 24 EFTS for its achievements in the Sixth Victory Loan, when RCAF personnel dropped \$41,000 in the victory bucket.

"It is my privilege to forward to you on behalf of the Minister of Finance the enclosed Certificate of Honour in recognition of the performance of No. 24 EFTS in having attained and surpassed its objective," the letter said.

FL L.S. Milne, local drive head, announced today that well over 70 per cent of RCAF strength had invested in the securities, with a number still to come in. Objective in the campaign was \$35,000.

We win a flag, too!

# Letters (CONTINUED)

Sir:

May we, through your paper, send a message to the airmen of No. 24?? The Junior Hostess Club of Hancy, B.C., cordially invite all RCAF personnel to be their house guests weekends — 24's, 36's or 48's, but the longer the better.

We have arranged swimming parties, weiner roasts and dancing, free shows, tennis or golf. Our fishing in the Alouette River is the finest in the country and we can arrange to get you a rod and line.

Our beds are good, our meals are perfect. Our gals — oh, boy! Bring your mending, too.

We will meet you anytime Fridays between 6 and 10 pm at Modern Motors, in the centre of town, and will give you your home for the weekend.

Please come — come broke. We'd like to have you.

Mrs. L. Hannay (Sr. Hostess)

(This may sound like Utopia, guys, but it's straight goods. Some of our lads have already tried it and are now making it a practice to spend all their time off in Hancy. — Ed.)

**VISIT THE STATES ?  
HERE'S YOUR CHANCE**

Chief Charles E. Moore, of the U.S. Border Patrol, yesterday was on the station to arrange a dance on behalf of Lynden, Washington, girls who want to entertain 60 or so airmen from here next Friday night.

Arrangements were tentatively completed for that date, but official announcement has yet to be made. Plans call for transportation in station buses to the American town.

Lynden's hospitality, through the American Legion post there, was evidenced last year when more than 75 from the station were the guests at a huge turkey dinner. Girls from the south-of-the-border community have attended nearly all station dances since the school opened.

YMCA Supervisor Harvey Orr, who is handling the local end, advises the lads they should hold Friday open if they want a good time.

# Coming Events

**MOVIES, 8 pm, TOWN HALL**

**Tonight:**

**AFTER DARK WITH BOSTON.  
BLACKIE**

**Tuesday:**

**AROUND THE WORLD  
Kay Kaiser and His Band**

**Next Friday:**

**TWO YANKS IN TRINIDAD  
Pat O'Brien  
HOSTESS CLUB**

**Every Nite - 7 to 10:30**

**ABBOTSFORD HUT**

**Party and Dance Thursday nite  
Regular Dance Saturday nite**

**MODEL CLUB**

**Thursday nite, Town Hall, 7:30**

**DISCUSSION CLUB**

**Monday nite, 8 pm, Library;  
Subject: An Airman Goes Back  
to Civilian Life**

**(FASTBALL SCHEDULE SPORTS PAGE)**

## MOLE CALL

**UNCLE SAM -- hater...**

HIS VARIETY OF IS-BE HEADGEAR IS EXCEEDED ONLY BY THE WAY G.I.'S AND JOSEPHINE HAVE FOUND TO WEAR THEIR SHIRT-PO

by Milton Caniff



**CHINA-SIDE JOB-VERY MASKED... only searchin' Gurens' n'ta wash to the elbow and his justice...**



**NAVY'S DISH'AR... who wouldn't wear scruffs if yer longer in there - not get out of Bob Hope between Zeros...**



**COAST GUARD IMMIGRAT ON NESTLATOR. Those guys are always going to the beach at the wrong time of year...**



**100 WISION OF ALL -- For that 'n' forkup home 'n'c' FLYING SCHOOL**

**THE SOOP OF ALL - PIPPORE IN A BUCKET**



**THE DOCTOR... ERINOSONES... m'ch' ch'at... Ood'ns' l'ns' l'ns'... 'n'c' 'n'c' 'n'c'... 'n'c' 'n'c' 'n'c'...**



**It don't look like no responsibility to the WINGS and SINGS**



**REMEMBER ?**

## SKIMMER PRIMER



**POOPER DRUOP**  
one thing about this lid - it was good to sit on during 20 minute breaks...



**THEY FIELD CAP BUT ONLY FOR THE BANK PICCADILLY TILT - ESPECIALLY ON WINDY DAYS...**



**ARMY HELMETS allowed to wear new brow. instead of on the cheek - and 'NACS' get 'A' lid can't put just 'JACK' - All eyes was and 'JACK' 'JILL' on this - takes one branch for the other...**



**The A.A.F. 'DONALD DUCK' on ONE-FACED letters sale is MIBZ-DEZ!**

**MILTON CANIFF**



# SPORTS

## Four Tennis Courts Planned Here

Good news for tennis fans was made this week with the decision to build four tennis courts on the station - two between the Officers' Mess and the Link building and two between Town Hall and the instrument section.

The two courts near the Link will be constructed first, with the other pair to follow shortly. All four will be open to the entire personnel. FO Tom McGill, station sports officer, is making arrangements to secure sufficient playing equipment to meet the expected heavy demand.

Announcement of the tennis development came together with the news that the area south of the present football diamond will be made into a station sports centre, with another diamond, a soccer field and track facilities. YCA Supervisor Harvey Orr reported a track meet and field day is being planned for midsummer.

New backstops are to be built behind the two diamonds, PO Keith Young said. The new ballfield is to be laid out next week and will feature a grass infield.

A meeting of fastball team captains was held this week, with FO McGill, and the kinks were ironed out of the league organization.

### TWO TILTS DROPPED AS TEAMS DEFAULT

The UE(1) and F flight fastball teams won easy victories over A flight and C flight respectively Wednesday night, when A and C did not appear for their schedule games in the station league.

League officials, hoping to avoid such incidents in future are now expecting captains to round up their men for evening tilts, so defaults may be eliminated.

### BALL GAMES NEXT WEEK:

Monday - 6:30, G vs D; 7:45, H vs E.

Tuesday - 6:30, F vs UE(1); 7:45, UE(2) vs G.

Wednesday - 6:30, B vs C; 7:45, A vs H.

Thursday - 6:30, D vs E; 7:45, G vs F.

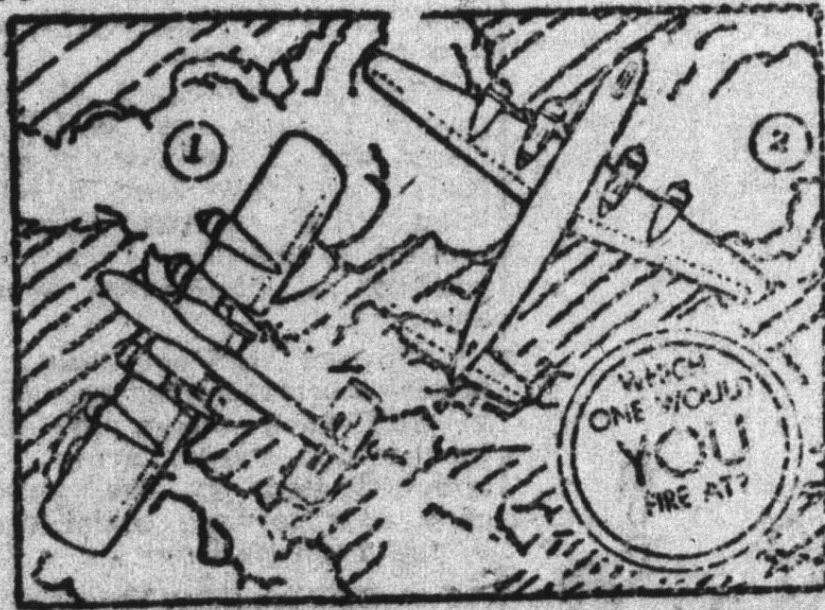
Clip this schedule and file it in your wallet so your team won't lose by default when you "didn't know" that you were supposed to play.

(( First team noted is responsible for ump; second for scorer. - Ed.))

# CJOR Broadcasts Saga of 24 EFTS

Surprisingly O.K. to the ears of airmen, and yet sufficiently adapted for John Q. Public, a radio program featuring No. 24 EFTS was broadcast over CJOR, Vancouver, Tuesday night. Station movie-goers heard it between reels over a specially installed radio, through the efforts of Y-man Harvey Orr.

A mythical airman named Jimmy furnished the vehicle for the plot of the show. His letters to his dad told of his training and cut-in scenes recorded here were used to illustrate his schooling as a pilot.



FIRE at No.1-It's the German Blohm and Voss Ha. 142, a four engine, low wing troop transport. The "inverted gull" wings are rectangular and untapered. The two inner engine nacelles extend behind the trailing edge of the wings. The rectangular tailplane has two fin and rudders.

NOT at No.2- It's the U.S. C-54, a low wing transport powered with four radial engines. The nose of the deep, oval fuselage extends, well ahead of the engine nacelles. Both edges of the wings taper equally to rounded tips and single fin and rudder.

Theme of the program was Where Your Victory Loan Money Goes.

Technicians and script writers for the Vancouver outlet visited the station recently and with the assistance of PO Wallie Peters, former CJOR program director, recorded various station activities, including the control tower, link trainer section and tarmac sounds.

The voice of FL Forster, flying control officer here, could be identified bringing in a Lockheed by radio clearances.

PO G.A. Gessell, Link OC, gave instruction to PO Peters, acting as his student, for transcription purposes.

Praise of the station's facilities for pilot-training worked in throughout the script, called No. 24 EFTS the "Biggest EFTS in Canada."

## DON'T BE A HOG, CHUM

A thousand Y envelopes, put in the writing room one day this week, were gone the next and Y.M.C.A. Supervisor Harvey Orr is irked. Lo asks airmen to take only what they need.

## MAY DAY CEREMONIES PLANNED FOR ANNUAL AFFAIR ON MAY 24th

Leslie Moon, Matsqui, will be the page, and Helen Scott of Matsqui and Betty Waterston of Huntingdon will be flower girls for Queen-elect Helen White at the May Day celebration on May 24. The crowning ceremony will take place on Jubilee grounds, Abbotsford, at 2 p.m., which will be followed by folk dancing from various schools. Later in the afternoon the royal party will be entertained at a banquet, and in the evening the annual dance will be held in Whatcom road hall where drawing for prizes will take place.

A double-header league fast-ball games will be played in the afternoon when Daly's Comets will play the EFTS and RCAF staff will meet RCAF students.

## SPRING FLOWERS ARE ATTRACTIVE SETTING FOR BRIDAL SHOWER

Miss Phyllis McNelly, a bride-elect of this month, was guest of honor at a linen and china shower held at the home of Mrs. Bruce Wells on Friday evening.

The house was beautifully decorated with a profusion of spring flowers, and the tea table was centred with flowers and pink tapers. Miss Mona Smith and Miss Jean Weir assisted the honored guest to open her many lovely gifts which were taken from an imitation wishing well decorated with ivy. During the evening the guests were entertained by Mrs. Eric Hughes who gave two readings.

At tea time, Mrs. G. Grant and Mrs. T. McNelly were invited to preside at the urns, and those serving refreshments were Miss Jean Weir, Miss Mona Smith, Mrs. George Bodell and Mrs. Bill Hambly. Co-hostesses with Mrs. Wells were the girls from the Abbotsford telephone exchange.



Two 3-star pennants have been won by No. 24 EFTS in the 6th Victory Loan campaign, both RCAF personnel and the civilian staff having "Put Victory First" to a degree substantially topping their respective quotas.

While the RCAF investment is credited to that of the Forces, the example set by No. 24 EFTS, together with the investment of the civilian personnel, has been credited in the Abbotsford, Su-

## GOVERNOR-GENERAL

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at some length with several about their work and their activities here.

All in uniform, with the engineering staff wearing white coveralls, the company workers presented an orderly appearance as they met the party. Three cheers for His Excellency and Her Royal Highness were given by the civilian staff as the vice-regal group departed on a short tour of the station.

"This is the neatest air force station I have ever seen," declared one of the officials of the party, "and I've seen a lot of them." The visitors were impressed by the size of the school and by its well-tended appearance.

Following the inspection, the police-escorted convoy moved off to Chilliwack where the party lunched at Sardis army camp and officiated at the opening of a new services social centre in the town itself.

### Official Flag Flown

During the Governor-General's stay on No. 24 EFTS, his official flag flew from the highest point on the flagstaff. Military and civil police covered every foot of his journey which was made in olive-drab army vehicles.

Air Vice Marshal G. R. Howsam, MC, air officer commanding No. 4 Training Command, Calgary, under which the local school operates, sent his regrets to Manager McKercher that he was not able to be present for the distinguished visit. Air Vice Marshal L. S. Stevenson, air officer commanding Western Air Command, arranged the visit for the RCAF.

Discip. Sergeant to Student:  
"Wipe that opinion off your face."

mas & Matsqui News as being a big factor in helping the M-S-A Area lead throughout the drive in its Unit.