**ISLAND PRINCESS SPLIT TO INCREASE CAPACITY**

The British Columbia Ferries Island Princess (bottom photo) servicing the Kelsey Bay-Beaver Cove-Alert Bay-Sointula area is now in Burrard Drydock undergoing a major conversion. Greatly increased capacity will be achieved with a unique catamaran design (see drawing on the right). The present hull will be split longitudinally to form two hulls, both supporting a common deck and superstructure. The ship will be lengthened from its original 131 feet to 186 feet by adding a new section, the breadth will also be increased from the old 34 feet to 57 feet. This will increase the vehicle capacity to 49 from the original 20. The restaurant facilities will also be changed to a cafeteria style service to accommodate more passengers. A passenger lounge and rebuilt engines will complete the conversion.

The British Columbia Ferries Division, operators of the service, say the job is expected to take eight to ten weeks. Replacement vessel for the period will be the Queen of the Islands, and modifications have been arranged for the loading ramps at Kelsey Bay and Beaver Cove to handle her and the Island Princess when it returns to service.

The new Island Princess will be able to handle drive-on loading at all four terminals. While the conversion is in progress, revised vehicle end-loading facilities will be installed at the existing Federal government docks at Alert Bay and Sointula to accommodate the new end-loading system.

When all this work is completed the British Columbia Ferries will have the first commercial “catamaran” on this coast.
I am told that during this British Columbia Centennial Year the RR will expand a little on its “Peek into the Past” feature. This is fitting because we are all fascinated by photographs of those early days, and by the startling contrast with scenes of today. Yet there is a curious similarity. The differences are not in kind but in degree. The basic ingredients of road-building and maintenance are the same, but the scale is different. Now we can move vastly more material, cover more miles, and do it faster. Because the product we make is wider, smoother, straighter, and more carefully maintained it is, by most standards, better. But what we are really doing is serving the public, and those men in the old pictures were doing the same thing. There are many more of us now, we wear hard hats, we are paid more, we have more efficient equipment, materials, and techniques, and we can provide more service to more people. Let’s hope it is also better, because we have been learning for 100 years.

W. D. BLACK, Minister

Chief Officer Bob Davey is directing the last car to be hoisted on board the British Columbia Ferries Division Island Princess at Alert Bay. The Island Princess is now in Burrard Drydock for a major conversion. When the work is complete, British Columbia Ferries Division will have a “catamaran” added to its fleet of vessels.
Long Term Service Kamloops Foreman Retires

W. K. (KEN) TRAIL, Road Maintenance Foreman in Kamloops, retires March 29, 1971 after 56 years of service. At a party held recently, R. G. White, Regional Highway Engineer, read messages from the Hon. W. D. Black, Minister, and H. T. Miard, Deputy Minister, and presented Ken with a certificate of service. He was also presented with gifts from his fellow employees in Kamloops, and others in the Department who had worked under him. Ken has worked under 30 district officials during his career, and has operated all types of equipment, including the first power grader in Kamloops District. He has seen the operation grow from a single grader and a handful of men to one with 40 men, 3 graders, and 7 dump trucks.

ROBERT E. CROSSBY, Bridge Tender on the Fraser Avenue Bridge in New Westminster Highway District, retired in November 1970, after 21 years service. Born in Verdun, Manitoba, in 1905, he is married and has one son. He started as a labourer in 1949, with the old Ashgrove Maintenance Crew under Foreman Stan Deans, and worked as a Truck Driver until 1963, when due to health reasons, he took the Fraser Avenue Bridge job. He will continue living at 696 Donald Road in Richmond.

H. (HARRY) COOKE, member of the Barriere Maintenance Crew and Relief Ferryman of Kamloops Highway District, retired February 8, 1971 after 14 years service. Harry was presented with gifts and best wishes from fellow employees on his retirement. His hobby is gardening.

CAPTAIN T. HERCUS, of British Columbia Ferries Division, retired recently after 44 years at sea. Capt. Hercus started his career at the age of 17, serving on the Canadian Government Merchant Marine vessels in local and deep-sea routes. He also served on CPR lines, and was decorated during World War II. He joined Black Ball Lines in 1944, where he became a Mason in 1953, and in 1961 transferred to British Columbia Ferries Division, when Black Ball was purchased, and served on the Horseshoe Sound run until his retirement.

MRS. IDA VIVA THOMAS retired recently after 14 years with Black Ball and British Columbia Ferries Division at Horseshoe Bay. Mrs. Thomas was secretary to the Terminal Agent. Two parties were held for Mrs. Thomas, one a combination birthday and retirement party, January 24, and the other a presentation at the Horseshoe Bay Terminal Office, January 29.

P. GUNNAR AXELSON, operator of the Deas Tower in the Bridge District, has retired from the Department. Gunnar was first employed with the Department of Highways in November 1952, as Chief Engineer on the Laddner-Woodward Ferry, and in May 1957 he became Central Tower Operator at Deas Tower and continued in that capacity until his recent retirement. Although retired, Gunnar is still active with the Swedish Canadian Resthome Association. He was among the original group in 1946 which built the Swedish Resthome on the North Shore, later to become Region I Headquarters, when it was bought by the Department in 1956, because it was affected by the new Second Narrows Bridge.

PATRICK FLOOD, Timekeeper in the Rossland District office, retired in January, after 17 years service in the Rossland and, earlier, Pemberton Districts. Born in London, England, Paddy came to British Columbia after World War II and worked for the West Kootenay Power and Light Company on the Wanneta Dam, before joining the Department.

Courtenay Mechanical Foreman Retires

MARK NICHOLSON, Mechanic Foreman, Courtenay District, has retired after 29 years of service. Born in Hawkesbury, Ontario, Mark joined the Department as a Mechanic in Cranbrook in 1942. From 1936 to 1941 he was in private business, rejoining the Department as a Mechanic Foreman in Golden in 1941. Six years later he transferred to New Denver, and in 1951 he went to Courtenay, where he remained as Mechanical Foreman until his retirement in September 1970.

H. T. FRANKLIN, Driver on the Kootenay Lake ferries, recently retired after 20 years service. Born in London, England, Harry started work on the construction of the ferry docks at Balfour, and then continued in the engine-room of the MV Anacumb. He continues to live at Balfour, pursuing his hobby of cutting and polishing semi-precious stones.

A retirement banquet was held in November 1970, honouring FREDERICK NORCROSS and ERNEST H. WELBOURN, retired Nelson District employees.

G. R. Kent, District Superintendent, welcomed the 84 employees and their wives on the special occasion. Telegrams were read from the Hon. W. D. Black, Minister, and H. T. Miard, Deputy Minister. Charlie Jeffs, Senior Road Foreman, presented Fred and Ernie, each, with a wallet, on behalf of their fellow workers.

L. P. LAING, Captain on the Kootenay Lake ferries, retired from the service December 31, 1970 after 22 years with the Department. Mr. Laing started with the Department in March 1948 as a Deckhand, was promoted to position of Mate in February 1957, and to Captain in December 1962.
NEW FACES IN NEW PLACES

JOHN MALCOLM OVANS, Captain of the Gabriola Island ferry in the Nanaimo District, recently retired after nine years' service with the Provincial Government.

Born in England, Captain OVANS had seen service there in the merchant navy, and then in Singapore, China, the Royal Navy Reserve, some time in a Japanese prisoner-of-war camp in Hong Kong, Manila, St. John's, Newfoundland, and Comox on Vancouver Island. He then went to Nanaimo to work for the Davis Shipping Company as ferry Captain on the Nanaimo to Gabriola Island run. When this service was taken over by the Provincial Government in 1962, Captain OVANS stayed on until his retirement in December 1970. His hobbies are wood-working, gardening and helping with the Rattered Children's Association.

PROMOTIONS

HARVEY F. POP-OFF, Technician Grade 1 at Grand Forks, has won the position of Technician Grade 2 (District Technician) at 100 Mile House, in the Williams Lake District.

HARRY CUNNINGHAM, Patrolman at First Narrows Bridge, has been promoted to the position of Patrol Corporal. Prior to joining the Department in 1968, Harry was employed as a Security Officer in private enterprise. During the World War II, Harry served with the RCAF. He is married and has one son.

FRED POLDAND has won the position of Bridge Foreman 2 in the Golden District. Fred has been with the Department since 1946, working as a labourer, rough carpenter, and painter until 1962, when he started with the bridge crews as a Bridgeeman.

ALAN KINSEY, Machine Operator 9, Golden District, has won the position of Road Foreman 2 at Alberni. Alan started with the Department, at Golden in 1951, as Labourer. He has been a Truck Driver, Grader Operator, and Road Foreman 1 on winter shift.

STEVE COTT was the successful applicant for the position of District Mechanic in the Courtenay District. Steve came to Courtenay from New Denver, and he has been with the Department since 1952.

P. P. CORRIEVA, Road Foreman 3 in the Princeton area, Penticton District. Paul was in the Hudson Hope area before coming to Princeton. He is married and has five children.

H. P. T. HOLLINS, Road Foreman 3 in the Keremeos area, Penticton District. Hugh started as a Chairman in Parksville, and then worked as a Construction Foreman in Terrace. He is married with two children.

A new member of the Greenwood Road Crew, Grand Forks District, is RAYMOND CAPNER-HURST, Machine Operator 4. Ray was formerly with the Mission crew. He is married with two children, and likes hunting and fishing.

MRS. L. LADOUCER, recently left the Courtenay District office where she was a Stenographer. Barbara moved to Victoria, where she is working in the Headquarters personnel office.

H. F. (HERB) COUPE transferred in January from his position as District Engineer at Salmon Arm to that of Assistant Traffic Engineer with the Traffic Branch at Victoria. Herb commenced employment with the Department in 1959 as District Engineer at Williams Lake. He served in the same position in Cranbrook for two years before transferring to Salmon Arm in 1963. Herb keeps fit with bowing and curling, and his hobby is photography.

Staff of Headquarters Traffic Branch gathered on January 29 to present a gift to Assistant Traffic Engineer J. ARNOLD STEWART to mark his transfer to the position of Municipal Programmes Engineer with the Planning Branch. Arnold has been with the Traffic Branch since October 1958, when he moved from the position of Resident Engineer in New Westminster District.

J. P. HAYES won through competition the position of Road Foreman with Bridge District at Patullo Bridge. He was formerly Regional Cruiser Foreman, serving nine years in Regions 1 and 2. After spending a total of 11 years on the road with the crusher plant, Jim is more than happy with his "shore" job.

Quarter Century Club

H. T. FENNEELL, Machine Operator 8, with the Salmon Arm District since 1941, and M. J. FERRO, Machine Operator 4, of the Steacns Road Crew, both with the Department for 25 years, received their certificates at a luncheon in Vancouver in December.

W. D. S. HOGGAN, Heavy Duty Mechanic at Boston Bar, Merritt Highway District, went to Vancouver to accept his 25-year Service Award at the special luncheon in December. Bill commenced with the Department in October 1945 as a Deckhand Purser on the North Bend Aerial Ferry.

CONVALESCENTS

L. R. (RAY) ARNETT, Road Foreman, Slim Creek Camp in the Prince George District, has been away from work since November 10, 1970 on sick leave. NICHOLAS PRYMA, Machine Operator at Honeymoon Creek Camp, Prince George District, has been on sick leave since October 22, 1970. J. C. McCALDER, Plant Foreman on Q1 crusher in Region 4, returned to work in January 1971. He had been on sick leave since May 18, 1970. JOHN WITTNER, Mechanic at the Slim Creek Camp in the Prince George District, has been away on sick leave since January 4, 1971.

HAROLD (HAL) DENNIES, Patrolman at First Narrows Bridge, Vancouver, is recovering at home from a heart attack. Fellow Patrol members wish him a speedy recovery.
J. H. PANKIW, District Engineer, Penticton District, is leaving the Department at the end of March to go into his own consulting and construction business in the Okanagan Valley. Mr. Pankiw has been with the Department for the past fifteen years, starting in Kamloops with the Materials Testing Branch. He returned to University to get his degree in Edmonton, from 1959 to 1964, and came back to the Department and continued as Engineer-in-training with the different branches covering most of British Columbia. He took over the Lillooet District in 1966, and then transferred to the Penticton District in 1967. He is married and has four children. He likes skiing, hunting, and square dancing.

MRS. S. M. FLINT, new Clerk-Stenographer in the Nelson regional office. Sheila previously worked for the Forest Service for two and a half years. Her hobbies are curling in the winter, camping in the summer, and sewing in between.

THOMAS D. GILGAN, Engineering Aide Grade 3, works on the Burns Lake Survey Crew, having started in April 1966. He is a member of the Burns Lake Ambulance Society and Volunteer Fire Department.

B. M. (MAC) STOREY, Clerk Grade 3, started as Timekeeper at the Burns Lake District office, March 1970. He has resided in this area most of his life. His hobbies are hunting, trapping, and gardening.

CLYDE SMAASLET commenced with the Department in 1960, as a Clerk Trainee in the Prince George office. After working in various offices in Region 4, he became Acting Office Manager in Revelstoke for a couple of months in 1964. He was then appointed Office Manager at Pouce Coupe in June 1964, where he worked until transferred to Prince George in 1966. Besides enjoying hunting and fishing, Clyde has a farm 8 miles west of Prince George, which takes his time when he is not busy with lodge work. He has been executive of the Fraternal Order of Eagles for the past two years. Clyde is single.

W. W. (BILL) SOLBERG recently transferred from the Prince George Construction Branch to Headquarters in Victoria, where he is attached to the Planning Branch headed by M. G. Elston, Senior Planning Engineer.

BILL GUNNARSON, Prince George District, has worked as Yardman for one year. His hobby is radio, and he belongs to the Citizens’ Band Radio Club. He is married with two children.

BRIAN SWEENEY, Prince George District, has been with the Construction Branch four and a half years before transferring to the Stockroom last October. He is single, and his hobbies are reading and writing.

WATSON PLATT, Labourer on the Salmon Arm Survey Crew, was recently presented with a gift from his fellow workers before moving back to England last August. Watson came to Canada in 1963, and was employed by the Department in Pouce Coupe as Yardman and Labourer. He worked in Terrace and Revelstoke before moving to Salmon Arm in 1966.

The Penticton District office staff, seated left to right, Mrs. Valerie Chappell, Stenographer; Pete Fuocco, Office Manager; Mrs. Marilyn Kinsey, Voucher Clerk; standing, Whayne Chappell, Timekeeper.
ORLANDO TISOT, Headquarters Paving Branch, has been awarded a Certificate of Registration in Civil Engineering and is now entitled to the "P.Eng." appellation. Orlando recently was passed by the Board of Examiners of Professional Engineers of British Columbia.

PETER BRETT, Design Engineer, Bridge Design Branch, where he has worked since he joined the Department in July 1967. Born in England, he graduated from the University of Birmingham in 1963 with a B.Sc. degree in Civil Engineering, working in England for three years before coming to Canada. Peter's hobbies are sports and music, and he was a member of Victoria United team in the Pacific Coast Soccer League from 1966 to 1970. He is married with two children.

RONALD H. TURNER, Engineering Aide 2, is a native of Salmon Arm. Ron started with the Construction Branch in 1955, on the Annis-Sicamous portion of the Trans-Canada Highway. Since then he has worked in the Okanagan, Revelstoke, and Fraser Canyon areas, and is present at Duncan on the Lake Cowichan project. He has one son and two daughters. During his lifetime Ron has amassed a large and interesting collection of Indian arrowheads.

LOU GARAY, Engineering Assistant 6, commenced employment with the Construction Branch in September 1955, on the Trans-Canada Highway at Cache Creek and continued at various locations including, Chilliwack, Abbotsford, Prince George, the Stewart-Cassiar, the Queen Charlotte Islands, and Terrace. Lou is now located at Duncan, will again team up with Project Supervisor Bill Nielsen on a further extension of the Cowichan Lake Highway. Lou and wife Carol enjoy new faces and new places. Leisure time is for hunting, fishing, and camping with their five children.

ERNIE KIDD, Engineering Assistant 2, commenced employment with the Construction Branch in Boston Bar in September 1962. He has been located in Campbell River, Gold River, and now in Duncan working with Bill Nielsen on the Cowichan Lake Highway. Ernie received his education in Boston Bar. He is married and has two children, a boy and a girl. His main hobby is electronics, but he also enjoys camping and fishing.

D. J. (DENNY) KEEN, Terminal Agent, Swartz Bay Terminal, started with the British Columbia Ferries Division at the inauguration of the service in 1960. At that time his Swartz Bay office was located in a 50-foot trailer, also shared by the General Manager and Assistant Manager. In those days the terminal staff consisted of 12 people and today, during the summer season, Denny directs a staff of 70 personnel. He often takes charge controlling the traffic for Tsawwassen and Gulf Island ports. From the tower with its all 'round view he directs the travelling public by P.A. and has direct line contact with ship's officers and the attendants at each loading ramp, as well as communication with ships on the run and other terminals by radio telephone.

BARBARA CAREFRAE, Clerk 2 in the Regional Property Negotiator's office has been with the Department of Highways for 10 years. Barbara is very interested in animals. She has done some travelling and hopes to have a chance to do more. Her outside interests range from building fishponds to photography. She also enjoys sailing with her boyfriend.

MRS. SHIRLEY HURTAK recently joined the Headquarters Paving Branch. Shirley was previously Secretary to the Insurance and Safety Officer for seven years. She enjoys playing the accordion and dancing.

ARGHUR C. HESS, Bodyman-Painter, Prince George District, died suddenly at his home last November. Mr. Hess had been with the Department since April 1953. He leaves a widow and two sons.

CLARK JACKSON, a former employee of the Merritt Highway District, who retired in 1965 after 19 years' service, died January 31, 1971.

JAMES BOWMAN TINGLE, Labourer with the Merritt District Crew, died suddenly on Saturday, January 30, 1971, at 63. Mr. Tingle was employed for eight years in Merritt Highway District.

HARVEY A. JONES, Machine Operator 2 (Gradall Operator), Prince George District, died suddenly on January 14, 1971 in Prince Rupert. Mr. Jones had been with the Department since February 1961. He was single.

JAMES N. MILLER died suddenly on Friday, February 12, 1971, at the age of 48. Jim, previously with the British Columbia Ferry Authority, Deas Dock, came to the Highways Department in November 1966 as a Stockman at Gibsons. In 1967 he was transferred to North Vancouver Yard.

ALAN C. BIRCHARD, 62 years of age, died in Victoria on January 29, 1971. Mr. Birchard was born in Elbow, Saskatchewan. He joined the Department of Highways, Nanaimo, in 1934. A Road Maintenance Foreman, Mr. Birchard retired October 31, 1968 due to ill health, and moved to Victoria.
Fused rock bluff on Vaseux Lake section of Highway 97, south of Okanagan Falls. Top left shows overhang in 1925; note Model T Ford on left. Top right, construction project in 1936, when some widening was carried out. Note men scaling high up the cliff. Bottom picture shows curve today with overhang removed and the highway widened to full standard.
Upper Cascade Bridge, in the Grand Forks District, was originally built in 1930, left. The 70-foot King Truss was closed for a few years in the late 1950s, then reopened to traffic in 1962 after it was reinforced with logs. In 1968 it was strengthened with Bailey bridging, and then in December 1970 the much repaired bridge was removed and replaced by a 70-foot double-single Bailey span, right.

Back in 1932, or thereabouts, travellers on the Island Highway crossing the Little Qualicum River were proud of the brand new Howe Truss that had just been completed, above. Since that time (in 1956) a still newer steel through-truss span was constructed, complete with two five-foot sidewalks.

Usk–Cedarvale section of Highway 16 in 1936, looking east, top. Clearing a 40-foot right-of-way during the construction programme at that time, and above, Yellowhead Highway 16 today, between Terrace and Cedarvale, the section completed in 1970 with 200 feet of right-of-way.
Revisions to the sign lights on the Second Narrows Bridge, Vancouver, are performed by, left to right, Kim Reynolds, Roy Harris, and Gunner Merit seen in the bucket on the giraffe. This is typical of the varied tasks performed by the Regional Electrical personnel, under the direction of Electrical Foreman H. H. Gutteridge.

Bridge Foreman Floyd Erickstad, Crane Operator Brian Alexander, and Bridgeman Raymond MacDonald installing fence rail on the Iron Creek Bridge. The Fort St. John Bridge Crew constructed two permanent bridges (Iron Creek and MacLean) of concrete and salvaged stringers, north of Fort St. John. The stringers on the Iron Creek Bridge were 50 feet long by 24-inch steel I-beams with diaphragms and minor fixtures fabricated by the District Shop. Glulam stringers obtained from the Bennett Dam project were used on MacLean Bridge. The deck systems were the same on both bridges.

Arthur W. Jarvis, Maintenance Man, is shown on the tower of the Okanagan Lake Bridge, changing a bulb of the aeroplane clearance lights. He is 110 feet above the bridge deck. In the background is part of Highway 97 and the Kelowna city park.

Dave Grant, Foreman 1, and Dave Mann, Carpenter, checking the operation of sander on back of foreman's pick-up.

Ray Mann, Prince George District. He has worked at the Department Yard as a Carpenter and Labourer for the past eight years. His hobby is cabinet work.
Penticton District Bridge Crew redecking one of the Okanagan Flood Control structures. They are, left to right, Jim McPhee, Jerry Rozander, Lloyd Batie, Bridge Foreman for Penticton District, Hammie Hamilton, and Tom Madden.

Keremeos crew, Penticton District, take a photo break. They are, back row, left to right, F. E. Matthews, H. G. Clark, A. J. Blumhagen, S. C. Pokka, G. M. Kirkpatrick (Road Foreman 4, now retired), A. J. Reimche, L. Pakka, and C. D. Schmiedler. In the front row, left to right, are V. J. Frauch, R. D. Carleton, W. A. Liddicoat, and L. F. Gladish.

Despite adverse weather conditions and urban traffic congestion, work continues through the winter on New Westminster District day labour Project 2135. This is the start of four lanes on Route 7, Lougheed Highway, from the Cape Horn interchange on Route 401, Trans-Canada Highway to Pitt Road at Riverview Hospital in Government Reserve, part of District of Coquitlam. Left, open face concrete crib wall in front of the steam plant, Riverview Hospital, the polyethylene film is to hold the earth for future planter area, left to right in the photo, Gerando Distasio, Gordon J. Lutz, and Foreman Jim W. Edge. Above, installation of drainage with Bill Farrand, Garry Phillips, Gerry Distasio, Bob McLean, and Cliff Labree on the job.
EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

B.C. Curling Championship rink as it left Prince George for MacDonald Brier in Quebec City early in March, with Department's own Pat Carr, Prince George Regional Maintenance Engineer, a stalwart second. They are, left to right, Kevin Smale, skip; Pat Carr, Bob McDonald, and Pete Sherba. Pat's rink (we think of it as Pat's rink anyway) made a good showing at the classic curling event.

Allan T. Stanyer, Mechanic at the Burns Lake District Shop, starting out in snowshoe race. The event annually is part of Burns Lake Winter Carnival Celebrations, and Al enters annually.

Four charter members of the Prince George Regional Office Table Tennis Club in action, are Harry Waring, left, and Derek Bishop at the far end of the table with Tom Yearley, left, and Phil Bishop with their backs to the camera. The ball can be seen clearing the net. The club, organized in 1967, has one other charter member, Jack Dobbidge. Any members of the Department passing through Prince George are invited to drop in and try their luck.

H. F. Couper, left, former District Engineer at Salmon Arm, was presented with a gift by M. D. Ramsay, on behalf of fellow employees at the Courthouse, at going away ceremonies held in Salmon Arm before Christmas. He was also presented with other gifts by the outside crews after Christmas. Herb transferred to Victoria January 1 as Assistant to the Senior Traffic Engineer.

Representing the British Columbia Government Employees' Union, Omer Pederson, Bridge Foreman 2, left, and Floyd Fairbrother, Bridgegeman 2, centre, Vanderhoof District, are shown above, presenting a cheque for $50 to Dave Lindsay, Treasurer of the Retarded Children's Hostel. The money was raised from the sale of bottles, collected off the highway right-of-way by the Vanderhoof crew.

J. W. Zaporozan, District Technician for the Penticton District, making a start on his British Columbia Centennial beard, is getting royal treatment from the office staff, Valerie Chappell, left, and Marilyn Kinsey.
A series of 10-minute talks was presented recently by Vernon District personnel on highway safety. A trophy was awarded to the best speaker on the topic "The Right Way is the Safe Way." Shown, top right picture, following the presentations are, left to right: Joe Averdor, Technician; Lex Yark, Road Foreman; Al Desimone, Engineering Assistant; Jim Alveberg, Office Manager; Pat Quin, District Superintendent; Al Park, Senior Training and Safety Officer from Victoria; Tally O'Keefe, Plant Foreman; Chuck Hinton, Bridge Foreman; Chuck Hinman, Road Foreman; Pete Yela, Road Foreman; Gordon Douglas, Mechanical Foreman; Jack Amies, Road Foreman; and Dick Clearidge, Safety Committee Representative. Winner was Al Desimone, above. Gordon Douglas, extreme left, talked about hazards in tire changing, and Arnold Cornish, left, lectured on traffic control.

Headquarters Safety and Training Officer A. F. Park, left, presents Region 1 safety award to Sgt. Bill Carruthers, who accepted the award on behalf of the Department of Highways Patrol. Regional Safety Officer Alex Caldwell chaired the presentation, the event was marked by a banquet and dance for the members of the Patrol and guests.

The District and Regional office staff of Region 3, Nelson, received their bronze on gold B.C. Safety Council certificate for having operated 338,298 consecutive man-hours without a time-loss accident, from October 1, 1963 to December 31, 1970. Al Park, Senior Training and Safety Officer, presented these awards to Regional Office Manager S. J. Dixey and District Office Manager D. R. Godfrey, at a luncheon held in Nelson on March 1, 1971.

With their instructor are 12 members from the crew of British Columbia Ferries Division vessel Sechelt Queen who have given considerable spare time to complete the St. John Ambulance Senior first-aid course. They are from the left, Mrs. V. J. Harroway (Instructor), Mrs. J. Hartley, Mrs. K. Lomax, Mrs. K. Mace, Mrs. M. Daykin, Mrs. I. Holmberg, Mrs. N. Wright, Mrs. D. Hunt, R. Knight, D. Roberts, and Miss L. O'Connor. Missing from the picture were F. W. Windsor and Mrs. J. Roger.
ON THE JOB...

Crushing and plant-mix operation in the West Bench, Penticton District. The sand screening set-up is in the foreground. Rod McDonald is in charge of the crushing and Jack Marsh is in charge of the MC2 plant-mix operation.

Fill failure at Whipsaw Creek on the Hope–Princeton section, Highway 3, being inspected by Stan Isberg, Road Foreman 4, and Bill Bultman, Engineering Aide 5, for the Penticton District.

George Lipsack, Construction Foreman, left, and Peter Dasmiers, Project Supervisor, on a Patricia Bay Highway day labour project, Saanich Highway District. George is no stranger to this area, as he was Construction Foreman on the Patricia Bay Highway in 1968/69. Peter Dasmiers, Project Supervisor, comes from the Salmon Arm area and is on loan to the District from the Construction Branch.

Gordon Measure, Machine Operator, Nanaimo, feeding a Barber-Green paving machine. Recently Gordon has been operating loaders and a gradall type machine in the Nanaimo District.

John Brenmer, Materials Testing Technician, and Don Hutton, Engineering Assistant, Terrace, got a horse when they investigated part of the Lachmach River Region recently for gravel deposits. It was thought the rusty steed would bring out samples. Much to their surprise, after climbing over muskeg and corduroy they found he could barely make it even without a load.

Grader laying out for pulvi-mix on Highway 3, Erickson. Retaining wall on left was built by Department in August 1970. This was part of Highway 3 improvement programme, Creston-Arrow Creek section.

Yellowhead Highway 16, Mile 25 west of Terrace, during recent flooding. The outside track of the CNR is visible in the foreground. There was two to four feet of water on the road for some one-half mile in this photo, and flooding in various other spots for the next 40 miles, and 12 snow slides to make things more interesting—all within a 12-hour period.
ON THE JOB...

REGION FOUR

SLIM CREEK MAINTENANCE CAMP

John Carlick, Loader Operator, servicing Hough 60. John lives near the Good Hope Lake Maintenance Camp and is a long-time resident of the Cassiar area.

Fred Leavitt at the Good Hope Lake Maintenance Camp. Fred moved from Fort St. John to take on the responsibilities of Stockman in this remote northern area.

Slim Creek Maintenance Camp on Yellowhead Highway 16 between Prince George and McBride. Highway garage in foreground and living accommodation trailers in background.

Winter on a section of Yellowhead Highway 16 East between Prince George and maintenance camp at Slim Creek.

Willy Williams, left, and Richard Cloakey, Ferrymen on the Department's Stikine River Ferry on the Stewart-Cassiar-Watson Lake Highway. The crossing is located 192 miles south of the Alaska Highway and 32 miles from the nearest maintenance camp.

Maurice F. Schultz, Machine Operator 4, at Slim Creek Maintenance Camp on Highway 16 East.