Photographs don't always tell the whole story, but neatness, cleanliness, and order are apparent in the yards and assembly rooms at Madeira Park, Gibsons District, top and middle left, and Alberni District, bottom and middle right. The Road Runner will feature from time to time pictures of some of the neater and tidier yards in the Province. The two shown on this page were chosen as a result of a recent visit by Associate Deputy Minister R. G. Harvey to some of the 10 yards in Region 1. Mr. Harvey said the choice of these did not mean others in the region were not also worthy of mention. He said a good working environment seems to bring many dividends to both employee and management.
A Shuttle Service Through the Tunnel

A shuttle service for cyclists through the George Massey Tunnel was inaugurated on April 1, 1975. The service consists of an Econoline van for the passengers and a trailer for the bicycles.

As cyclists are banned from using the tunnel, the only alternate route for them to travel between Richmond and Delta was the Pattullo Bridge. It is expected that the service will be used by both local residents and cyclists wishing to travel by ferry between Vancouver and Victoria. There will be five round-trips each day, beginning at 10 a.m., on the North Plaza, and ending with the last trip leaving the south pickup point, the Town and Country, on Highway 17, at 6:30 p.m.

The bicycle carrier, which has a capacity of nine bicycles, was built at the Richmond shop under the direction of Fred Schowald, Mechanical Foreman. The bicycle wheels are secured in 2-inch channel iron, while the frames are fastened by yokes which move up and down 3-inch vertical pipes which are welded to the floor of the trailer.
ABOUT PEOPLE...

KEITH BISHOP is now working in the Prince George design office as an Engineering Aide after transferring from the field crew at Hazelton and Chetwynd. He is a BCIT graduate and he is married. Keith is looking forward to some travelling as he recently won $400 in a travel lottery.

ROGER MCKEOWN, Rossland District Highway Manager, recently received his 25-year Service Award Certificate.

GORDON F. WALTER, on the Prince George paving field crew, has recently been reclassified from an Engineering Aide 2 to 3. Previously from Saskatchewan, Gord is single and a sports enthusiast.

LLOYD STELINGWERFF has been with the Dock Design since July 1974, after transferring from the Bridge Design Office in Victoria. He is married with seven children and his hobbies include hiking, lapidary, and astronomy.

ARCHIE MACINTYRE, Mechanic at Port Hardy in the Courtenay District, began with the Department in 1968 and transferred to the Courtenay District in 1972. He is married and has two sons.

LORENA LIVE-SAY has joined the Design and Surveys Branch in Prince George. She worked with the Pollution Control Branch before transferring to Prince George as an Engineering Aide.

STEVE HUGHES, Radio Technician in the Terrace District, began with the Department in April 1972. Prior to that he worked for CP Telecommunications on Microwave. He is a graduate of DeVry Technical Institute in electronics. He is married and has two children. His hobbies are electronics, bowling, and fishing.

TERESA CO-VUCCI, Clerk-Stenographer in the Rossland District, has been with the Department since February 1974. She comes from Riondel, enjoys swimming and horseback riding, and would like to take up sky-diving.

MRS. BERT HOL-DENER, Clerk-Stenographer in the Revelstoke District Office. Petite is an apt description, for Bert is only 5 feet tall, even with platform-soled shoes. Before joining the Department, Bert was employed by the Vernon School District. Her hobbies are sewing, skiing, and learning to drive in the Revelstoke snow.
NEW FACES IN NEW PLACES

Personnel Office Personnel

At the end of last year the Department said goodbye to CLIFF BROWN, who won a position in the Attorney-General's Department personnel office. With best wishes from Headquarters colleagues, Cliff was presented with several useful gardening tools as he is a keen gardener.

At the same time, BILL HIGGINS, who is no stranger to the Department, was welcomed to the Personnel office. Bill had been previously with the Department many years before he joined the Superannuation Branch, but he is now one of three new Personnel Officers in the office. The others are KEITH MALCOLM, who spent a short orientation period with the Department in December 1973, when he visited the Kamloops and New Denver offices, and GRANT PRICE, a personnel trainee just graduated from university. He received some grounding in personnel when he worked for Canada Manpower as a student counsellor.

ROBERT HEWLETT, Office Manager, was in hospital, but is responding to treatment and returned to work in late March.

AUDREY SHAW began with the Department in the Penticton District office in September 1974 as Assistant to the Timekeeper. She received her initial training in the Air Force in 1942-45, and worked as Clerk Administrative in St Thomas Tren ton, Ont. Her hobbies are flower arranging and knitting.

DAVE WARDELL, of the Insurance and Claims Office, has been successful in his bid for an Administrative Officer's position with the Department of Finance in the Probate and Succession Duties Section of the Income Tax Branch. Dave has been with the Department for 26 years. He began as a Junior Clerk in the Bridge Engineering Branch in 1949, then to Clerk Administrative in Vancouver in 1951, to the Grand Forks Office in 1952, to Kamloops as District Office Manager in 1953, back to Grand Forks as Office Manager in 1955, to Headquarters Accounts Office in 1956, to the Burnside District as Office Manager in 1959, and to the Insurance and Claims Office in 1969. Dave and his wife have travelled extensively, but his main interest is sailing. He has recently purchased a "Catalina 27" sailboat.

District Highways Manager STEVI: SVI-ATKO, Salmon Arm, was honoured at a farewell party given by fellow employees of the Salmon Arm District and Kamloops Regional staff. A photography buff, he was presented with photographic equipment by Dave MacVicar, Assistant Regional Highways Engineer, and a desk radio by Irene Hillen, District Office Manager, Salmon Arm. Mr. Svaitko has transferred to the Cranbrook District in the same capacity. All his friends and fellow employees wished him and his family every success for the future.

GEORGE K. AUSTIN, District Highways Manager, recently transferred from Cranbrook to Fernie District. He started with the Department on August 19, 1947.

George is married with three sons. His hobbies are curling, golfing, and fishing. Larry Taylor, Road Foreman 4, presented George with a gift on behalf of his fellow employees.

RON WINBOW, District Technician, has transferred from the New Westminster District to the North Vancouver District. Ron began with the Department in 1953 in the New Westminster District; after 12 years as District Technician he was Acting Highways Manager in the North Vancouver District for several months prior to the transfer and appointment of Bob Veitch to that position. Ron's hobbies are collecting, repairing, and restoring antique watches and clocks. For the past five years he was a member of the Surrey Parks and Recreation Commission and for 10 years prior to that he was active in community work in Surrey. He supervised the building and racing of soap-box cars in Surrey and Mission for three years. Ron has two daughters and a son.

SHIRLEY MCCADAM, Timekeeper in the Penticton District Office, began with the Department in 1965 and transferred to Penticton in May 1974. Her outside interests are helping in minor league hockey. Her son, Donald, is a promising prospect.

WILLIAM M. A. BAKER, Technician 2, transferred to New Westminster Highways Maintenance District in February 1975. He started with the Department as an Engineering Aide on April 21, 1960, in North Vancouver Highways District, becoming a Technician 1 in 1968 and a Technician 2 in September 1970.

JOE STADLER was the successful bidder on the Foreman's job in the Oliver-Osoyoos area. Joe started with the Department in Abbotsford in 1954, transferred to Hope in 1964, and to Oliver in 1974.

HUGH HOLLINS, Road Foreman 4, was recently transferred to Revelstoke from Nelson. Hugh started as a Chainman in Parksville and then worked as a Construction Foreman in Terrace. He is married with two children. Besides enjoying fishing and hunting, Hugh is an ardent rockhound.

ELDON JOHNSTON, Machine Operator in the Burns Lake District, has transferred to Salvus Camp in the Terrace District. L. J. Wagar, District Highways Manager, made a presentation to him on behalf of his fellow workers.

ERV ZIEMER recently won the position of Stockman 4 in Cloverdale; previously he was Stockman 4 at Boston Bar. Gifts were presented to him at a farewell party by the crew at Boston Bar, Hope, and Lytton.

FLOYD FAIRBROTHER through competition won the Bridgeman 3 position in the Salmon Arm District. He was formerly Bridgeman 3 in the Vanderhoof District. Mr. Fairbrother is married and has two children.

OBITUARY

JOHN RICHARDSON, Machine Operator in the Merritt District, died November 22, 1974. He will be missed by his fellow workers.
**PROMOTIONS**

**EDOUARD F. MAURICE**, Technician with the Design and Survey Branch, Region 1, has been promoted to Technician 3 position. Ed began with the Department in 1956 in the North Thompson area and worked on various projects on Vancouver Island and the Nass River area before transferring to North Vancouver in 1958. His fellow workers made a presentation to him on the occasion of his promotion and transfer to Victoria. Ed is married with four children. His hobby is scouting; he is a Regional Co-ordinator.

**D. H. BROUGHTON**, Clerk 3 in the North Vancouver District office, has been promoted to Office Manager Trainee in Region 4. David began with the Department in October 1974. In addition to being a sports car enthusiast, he enjoys skiing, mountain-climbing, and skin-diving.

**RON SCHIFFO** has won the position of Engineering Assistant in Prince George with the Design and Survey Branch. Ron worked with the Construction Branch previously and is a BCIT graduate. He is married with two children.

**E. J. BURKOSKY**, Mechanic in the North Vancouver Shop, has won through competition the position of Assistant Mechanic Foreman. Ed began with the Department in Cloverdale in 1962 and transferred to North Vancouver in 1964. He is married and his hobbies are gardening and carpentry.

**TOM MINER** recently won a promotion for Stockman in the McBride District. Tom was previously in Nelson.

**“BOOTS” REYNOLDS** recently won by competition the Road Foreman 3 position at Thornhill in the Terrace District. Boots was formerly Road Foreman 2 at Coalmont. He began with the Department in Salmon Arm in 1965. He enjoys snowmobiling, fishing, and is an ardent rockhound. The crews at Coalmont and Princeton made a presentation to him on the occasion of his promotion and transfer.

**ED BUCKEL** has won through competition the Technician 1 position in the McBride District. Ed began with the Department in 1957 and was in Dawson Creek before coming to McBride.

**MRS. SANDY LEEKIE** transferred to the Department in November 1974, and has recently been promoted to Clerk 3 in the Terrace District Office. She enjoys target shooting, and, during her five years with the Powell River Air Cadettes, she was the best shot in her Squadron in a Dominion of Canada Rifle Association competition. Her pastimes include gardening, snowshoeing, and cooking exotic foreign foods.

**E. A. LAUE** won the position of Bridge Foreman 3 in New Denver. Burns Lake District Highways Manager L. M. Wagar presented him with a going-away gift from his fellow workers.

**LLOYD S. AUGUSTINE** has been promoted to Road Foreman 3 at Jaffray in the Fernie District. Previously Lloyd was Foreman in 100 Mile House. He is married with five children. His hobbies are hunting, fishing, and wildlife photography. He is presiding minister of a small congregation in Jaffray.

**ROBBIE ROBINSON** recently won by competition the position of Clerk 6, District Office Manager at Merritt. Robbie was formerly Office Manager at New Denver.

Other appointments throughout the Province:

**BILL HOGGAN**, Heavy Duty Mechanic at Hope.

**BERNIE BERGSTROM**, Road Foreman 3 at Hope.


**J. E. ROBSON**, Bridge Foreman 2, Burns Lake.

**D. BUTLER**, Road Foreman 4, New Denver.

**A. C. DEGRAAF**, Engineering Aide 2, Nelson.

**W. I. SUMMERS**, Road Foreman 1, Williams Lake.

**T. G. KIRKBRIDE**, Engineering Assistant, Victoria.

**G. S. GEDDES**, Engineering Aide 3, Victoria.


**S. GROEN**, Road Foreman 1, North Vancouver.

**N. SMITH**, Engineering Aide 3, North Vancouver.

**L. W. THOMPSON**, Engineering Aide 2, North Vancouver.

**R. A. CHAPMAN**, Bridge Foreman 1, North Vancouver.


**R. E. NEUBAUER**, Engineering Assistant, North Vancouver.

**R. L. HUNT**, Engineering Assistant, North Vancouver.

**T. J. CHRISTIE**, Engineering Assistant, North Vancouver.

**M. A. MURPHY**, Engineering Assistant, North Vancouver.
When Road Foreman Eugene Marshall transferred in January from Saturna Island in the Saanich District to Stewart in Prince Rupert District, he got more than he bargained for. Taking a picture for the folks back at Saturna, Eugene records deep snow avalanche cut at Bear Pass.
The Alberni District Road Engineer,
Alberni, B. C.

Sir:

When D. Marven and myself were driving home at 22.30 on Friday the 19th of September we smashed the front spring of our buggy on the Drinkwater Road when crossing a sunken culvert. We had a light and were travelling at a walking pace. The sudden drop into the culvert caused the spring to break hereby letting the front of the buggy drop forward and hit the horses legs. This caused the horse to kick and run. D. Marven and myself were both thrown out. D. Marven had his right shoulder dislocated. The buggy was badly damaged and the horses legs badly burised.

We wish to put in a claim for Seventy five dollars ($75.00) for compensation for the damage to the buggy and horse also for the Doctor's bill and time lost while convalescent.

Yours respectfully,

"B. Walker"
"D. Marven"
These interesting 1927/28 photographs of Fraser River Bridge construction in Quesnel were made available to the RR by the Quesnel District. Above, false work piers, coffer dams, steam-powered pile-driver, swing boom for moving cement bucket; Fraser River reaction ferry and tower, West Quesnel and Sugar Loaf Hill in background. Left, looking west at coffer dams, pier, trackage and false work on the construction work in the winter. Below, assembly yard, Front Street, Quesnel.
ON THE JOB . . .

Above, old MV Lardeau being hauled by road to Mica Lake where she will be used by lumber company to land equipment for debris control. The Lardeau operated, right, between Arrowhead and Galena Bay on the Upper Arrow Lakes from 1955 until she was replaced by the MV Galena in 1969. Formerly owned by a mining company and then known as MV Arrow Park, the ferry was purchased by the Provincial Government in 1955 and renamed MV Lardeau.

Penticton District bridge crew recently dismantled the Chute Creek Bridge, Naramata area, and replaced it with a 90-inch culvert. t-beams were used to carry the bridge with one bent removed until the installation was completed. Right, culvert is in place but bridge has not yet been dismantled.

Sicard snow-blowers coming and going at Allison Pass, Penticton District, January this year.
The Clayhurst Ferry being removed from the Peace River, January 11, 1975, for the winter. Capt. W. Green and ferry crew are assisted by the Peace Coupe bridge crew and some of the road maintenance crew. The temperature at the time was -40°F. Note the ice and fog.

Bill Gaze and Jim Tierney, Road Maintenance Foremen, display Courtenay District's solution to "constant interruptions." Bill has been with the Department since 1948 and Jim since 1961. Trouble is they may be inviting the observation that "it was like talking to a brick wall."

This new salt shed was constructed at the Castlegar yard by the Rossland District bridge crew. They are Foreman C. Rindler, Bridgeman J. Gelez, and Bridge Labourers J. Bach and W. Williams.

Atma Manhas, Labourer, Terrace District, is shown at the movable barricade which was installed on Yellowhead Highway 16. This is part of the avalanche control program between Terrace and Prince Rupert.

Golden bridge crew taking out old bridge at Harrogate and replacing it with a culvert. Jack Estey, Walt McEvoy, Frank Jenson, and Dennis Chamberlain are on the job.

Ed Dubois, Mechanic Helper, Golden District, servicing truck. Ed has been with the Department garage at Golden for a year.
SAFETY AWARDS, RALLIES, INFORMATION

COURTENAY DISTRICT WINS REGION 1 SAFETY AWARD

For the first time the District of Courtenay has won the annual Safety Award for Region 1. The Regional Safety Award, the Most Improved District Award, the Good Housekeeping Award, and the Service Branch Award were presented at a banquet and dance in Courtenay on March 14, 1975. Guests included Norm Zapf, Director of Construction; Gill Kilgour, Safety Officer, Public Service Commission; A. F. Park, Senior Training and Safety Officer; and regional officials. In addition to the awards shown below, two B.C. Safety Council awards were presented by Norm Zapf; an Award of Honour to Al McGilvary, Technician representing the Paving Branch, for working 463,000 man-hours without a time-loss accident; a Gold Merit Award to B. A. L'Hirondelle, Construction Engineer for Region 1, who accepted on behalf of construction crews who worked 376,000 man-hours with no time-loss accident.

PREVENTIBLE OR NONPREVENTIBLE

A decision of the Accident Review Board is determined by the information an operator puts on a vehicle accident report (H-13). All pertinent details should be shown in the accident report, with special attention to the diagram showing the position of vehicles involved, and the operator's statement of events leading up to the accident.

To arrive at an unbiased and fair decision, the Review Board is not given the operator's name, the vehicle unit number, nor the district in which the accident occurred.

Note the following accident:

The accident report shows the operator was ploughing on a snow-covered asphalt surface during daylight hours. Weather conditions, cloudy. The accident occurred at an intersection, with a private car entering to the right of the Highways unit.

The operator's statement reads, "I was ploughing snow on the main road. While ploughing through the intersection, my vehicle was struck by a private car coming from the right."

The Board reviewed the accident, using the information supplied on the accident report, and made the following decision: "Two factors were found to be recognizable hazards from a defensive driving point of view, and considered preventible. The Board considers you should have

(a) recognized the traffic approaching on the right; and

(b) governed your speed accordingly, when you approached the intersection."

The operator appealed this decision, but at the same time, presented more detailed information than he had originally supplied. This information showed the operator was ploughing on the main highway, and the private car drove through a stop sign controlling the intersection.

The Review Board, using the new information, found the operator had been driving correctly, and the accident was "nonpreventible" by the operator.

This illustrates the necessity for complete accident reporting.

The Vanderhoof Highways District has won the 1974 Safety Trophy for Region 4 with an accident frequency of 32.41.

The McBride semi-annual Safety Trophy was won most recently by the Blue River and Tête Jaune Foreman areas.

The Vanderhoof Highways District administration staff has been awarded the B.C. Safety Council Silver Award of Merit.
Recently, Department Patrolman VIC TAYLOR was involved in an hour-long drama with a person attempting to jump from the Lions Gate Bridge. Aided by fellow Patrolman KEITH CAR-MICHAEL and members of the Vancouver City Police, Patrolman Taylor perched on a catwalk 200 feet above the water, finally succeeded in persuading the man not to jump. This incident is just one of the many and varied situations faced daily by patrol members while performing their duties.

Retiring in December after 20 years’ service, CLARENCE “CLARE” WOOD-RUFF, Labourer with Saanich District, was presented with a plaque made by his fellow employee, Art Sankey. Clare’s plans for the future include “freelance” tree-felling and semiretirement on his farm. His friends in the Department wish him the best of luck in his future endeavours.

PETE KLEIN, Machine Operator, recently retired from the Merritt District crew. His fellow employees gave him a farewell gift on the occasion of his retirement.

GEORGE BROOKBANK, Machine Operator and temporary Foreman in the Dawson Creek District, retired from the Department and received a meritorious scroll for 20 years’ service. He will now have more time for hunting and curling.

J. N. ROMEO LOISELLE, Mechanic 4 at the Pouce Coupe shop, retired in January 1975 after continuous service since 1954. The Pouce Coupe crew joined together at a party to wish Romeo well in his retirement and to make a presentation to him. His cheerfulness will be missed around the shop.

JOHN N. SCHMIDT, Machine Operator, recently retired after 12 years with the Department in Kelowna. John was presented by his colleagues with a gift certificate to be used for fishing equipment.

Abe PAULS, Mechanic 6 in charge of the Kelowna shop, recently transferred to the Nanaimo District. Abe was presented with a gift from fellow workers by District Highways Manager R. M. McMillan.
EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Dogged Driver Points the Wrong Way

Machine Operator Charlie Foisy of Vernon District could not be blamed for thinking of the driver who backed into him as a real dog.

He hardly expected that it would turn out to be a REAL DOG.

Charlie was waiting at a stop sign recently when he noticed a car backing toward him from across the street. He blew his horn, but the car kept coming. It eventually hit his car, crumpling the radiator and grille. The "driver" turned out to be a rather surprised dog standing with his hind feet on the seat and his front paws on the dash.

Seems the owner had left the car angle parked with the motor running. When pooch attempted to look out through the windshield, he accidentally (we suppose) pulled the automatic shift-lever to reverse position and was on his way.

In the interest of accuracy the driver marked "dog" as the driver of the car when he filled out the insurance forms and the dog's tag number as "driver's licence number."

Meanwhile, Charlie now doubts that old saying about what you can't teach an old dog.

Dock Design office co-ordinator of—phones? A mind-bending job assigned daily to the last one out of the washroom, in this case Ron McIntosh. It should be noted that Dock Design is renting temporary quarters suddenly vacated by a company which apparently had more phones than scruples! None of the phones work, but it sure looks impressive!

Talking over old times at a recent gathering in Lumby, Vernon District, on the occasion of Frank Carr's retirement are, left to right, Gordon Douglas, Mechanical Foreman; Charlie Fisher, retired; Charlie Hinman, Bridge Foreman; and Les York, Senior Road Foreman. The four represent 76 years of Government service.

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Bigmouth Creek Bridge being moved from Mica Creek to Revelstoke, top, where it has been relocated at Greely Creek, east of the city. The Mica Access Highway was closed during the moving operation. Despite the size of the structure, the tow-truck was able to travel as fast as 25 miles an hour in places. Bigmouth Creek Bridge was constructed in 1939 and is approximately 114 feet long and 24 feet wide.

Installing bridge in its new location, Revelstoke Bridge crew relax during lunch break. Left to right, Tony Morabito, John Ottenbreit, Gerardo Sessa, Ralph Falbo, Domenico Meloro, Bridge Foreman Chuck Beckley, and Biagio Palumbo.
What is it? An inverted Tour d'Eiffel? The bridge design engineer's nightmare is just the Alexandra Bridge in the Fraser Canyon photographed from below. The great arch combined with the natural perspective create the apparent distortion.