Rolf Bruhn's career with Highways and Public Works has ended after 55 years of service. Built for service on Francois Lake she was fabricated by the Grand Trunk Pacific Drydock Company at Prince Rupert. Then cut into sections, the ferry was moved by rail cars to Burns Lake. From there the sections were moved by truck to Francois Lake for reassembly. Upon completion she was named Francois Lake ferry and began service on August 25, 1922, running between Southbank and Francois Lake. Her vehicle capacity at the time was four cars.

By 1949 traffic volumes exceeded her capacity and after the commissioning of the new Jacob Henkel she was laid up. In 1951 after the Scotch Creek-Sorrento ferry G. B. Wright was condemned, Francois Lake ferry was moved to Shuswap Lake to replace her.

After she was rebuilt and her housework moved from the centre to the port side, she was named Rolf Bruhn, in honour of a former Minister of Public Works from Sicamous. However, improved roads around the lake resulted in an end to the Scotch Creek ferry service in 1956.

The following year Rolf Bruhn was cut into sections for the third time and on this occasion moved to Vancouver for rebuilding. As part of this work the ferry was lengthened 10 feet. She again received a change in profile, this time additional housework was added on the starboard side. Then on May 6, 1957, Rolf Bruhn was started on a new ferry run between Britannia Beach (later moved to Darrell Bay) and the pulp-mill at Woodfibre. She remained on this route until 1961 by which time a larger ferry was required.

Rolf Bruhn was then moved to Nanaimo and after removal of the starboard passenger cabin she became relief ferry for the inter-island runs off the east coast of Vancouver Island. In the summers she was engaged as a supplementary ferry on the Nanaimo-Gabriola Island service where she remained until last September.

Old age has deteriorated her steel plates and frames to the point where cost of repairs exceed her value and the Ministry retired Rolf Bruhn from service. After removal of her main propulsion machinery and other equipment she was offered for sale "as is, where is," ending her long career.

1. As Francois Lake ferry.
2. At Buckley Bay, Vancouver Island, between fenders.
3. Off Britannia Beach.
4. Off Nanaimo on inter-island runs, east coast of Vancouver Island.
5. Off Sorrento on Shuswap Lake. (4 and 5 on page 3.)
MINISTER'S MESSAGE

In my last message I indicated the role of the Ministry has always been to provide good facilities and services to the public. Certain changes made to the administrative structure and senior management of the Ministry will help us to do this better. However, these changes will be ineffective if it does not have the support of everyone in the Ministry to carry out one basic purpose, to serve the citizens of British Columbia. Too often there is a tendency for some in the Public Service to treat the public in a callous and indifferent manner. I don't intend to have this happen in my Ministry.

This year, in order to serve the public, more money will be spent on our maintenance program in all regions, which will be highlighted by a stepped-up public relations program. We must let the public know what we are doing. We have good maintenance programs but unfortunately these have been curtailed at times at the expense of further deterioration of our highway system. We cannot let this happen. It is up to each and every one in the Ministry to increase our productivity and support this program.

I consider this program of such importance that it was the main theme at a recent meeting of senior management. We have the money, equipment, and men to do the job, so let's get on with it. I know I will have your support.

ALEX. V. FRASER
Minister

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COVER PHOTO

Unusual shot of a modern day cattle drive from wintering range at Douglas Lake to the summer range south of Merritt by Douglas Lake ranch along Highway 5, Merritt Kamloops. Approximately 800 head are in this drive shown beside Nicola Lake. There are several cattle drives a year but they are allowed only under strict controls and with permits specifying pilot cars, outriders, and hours of the day.
STUART E. PRICE was recently promoted to the Director of Financial Services, Victoria (formerly Comptroller of Expenditure), replacing A. E. Rhodes, who is now Assistant Deputy Minister. Mr. Price's career with Highways began in the Accounting Branch in Victoria in 1949. Since that time he has served the Ministry around the Province, beginning in the districts as an Office Manager Trainee in Penticton. Subsequently he served in Victoria Accounts Branch, then as District Office Manager in Rossland, Vancouver, North Vancouver, and New Westminster. In 1965 he was promoted to Regional Office Manager in Prince George. Two years later he was promoted to Assistant Comptroller of Expenditure and has served in that capacity until his recent promotion. He is a certified general accountant, obtaining this status in 1967. He is married with two sons and enjoys gardening, fishing, golf, baseball, badminton, and reading.

W. J. N. (Bill) HIGGINS has been promoted to the position of Senior Personnel Officer recently vacated by "Russ" Dean. Bill had been previously with Highways for many years when he joined the Superannuation Branch for a time. After that he came back to Highways in January 1975.

Successful candidate for the position of Assistant Director of Financial Services, Ministry of Highways and Public Works, Victoria, is GEORGE W. WAGG, Mr. Wagg's career with the Ministry began with the teletype office, Department of Public Works, Victoria, in June 1949. Since that time he worked in the Burnside office in 1952-53 and Nanaimo in 1953, returning to Victoria in 1953. In 1952 he completed a course in general accounting and became the Headquarters Office Manager in 1970. His interests are bowling and softball.

CLYDE SAM, Labourer at Merritt, won the Machine Operator 3 position in Merritt.

ANDREW WEBB, who started with Highways in the Chilliwack District at Mission in September 1973, has won through competition the position of Timekeeper, Dock District, New Westminster. Andy is married with one child at home. He enjoys reading and TV. Before joining Highways he was in personnel administration with the Federal Government for 25 years.

JOHN MARRIOTT recently won through competition the position of Road Foreman 3 in Duncan. John spent three years in Allison Pass as a Road Foreman. John started with Highways in 1963 with the Cloverdale centrelle crew. John is married and has two sons. Hobbies include camping, fishing, and hunting.

Phil FROMENT recently won through competition the position of Assistant Shop Foreman in the Nanaimo garage. Phil previously worked in Revelstoke where he was a Mechanic 3. Phil began with Highways at Revelstoke in August 1965. Phil enjoys golfing, fishing, and also coaches minor hockey.

GAYLORD MERKEL recently won through competition the position of Road Foreman 4 in the Nanaimo area. Gaylord comes to Nanaimo from Port Alberni where he was a Road Foreman 3. Gaylord is active in minor hockey and also enjoys camping. He has now been with Highways for 20 years.

TOM ARMITAGE, Labourer, recently won the Sign Maintenance position for the Merritt Highways District.

Other recent promotions include B. H. HEAVAN, Engineering Aide 3, Kamloops, to Engineering Assistant, Kamloops; A. C. MOSSMAN, Foreman 1, Prince George, to Foreman 4 (Road), Prince George; D. M. EDWARDS, Machine Operator 4, Larder, to Foreman 1 (Road), Larder; T. C. BAYNTUN, Engineering Aide 3, Vancouver, to Engineering Assistant, Bridge Branch; R. L. LEWIS, Engineering Aide 3, Richmond, to Engineering Assistant, Bridge Branch; N. D. O'NEILL, Engineering Aide 3, Salmon Arm, to Engineering Assistant, Bridge Branch; K. B. POW, Machine Operator 7, Vernon, to Foreman 3 (Road), Vernon; S. J. ROOT, Assistant Mechanic, Terrace, to Mechanic 3, Bob Quinn Lake; JOE SKARRA, Foreman 1 (Road), Terrace, to Foreman 2 (Road), Salmon; P. C. HOWELL, Engineer, Aide 2, Dawson Creek, to Engineering Aide 3, Pouce Coupe; P. H. JOHNSON, Machine Operator 4, Salmon Arm, to Foreman 2, Kamloops; L. J. VOTH, Bridgeman 3, Williams Lake, to Foreman 1 (Bridge), Williams Lake; J. E. TURFORD, Bridgeman 2, Burns Lake, to Bridgeman 3, Burns Lake.
JOHN M. OLIVER,
Mechanic Foreman 2 at Mission in the Chilliwack District, retired in March 1977, one month short of 43 years of service with Highways. John began in Cloverdale in 1935, joined the RCAF early in 1941, and returned to Highways in 1945. After relieving various mechanic foremen in the Lower Mainland he moved to Mission in 1956 and was promoted to Foreman later that year. John is married with five children and will continue to live in Mission when he is not travelling to those parts of the Province he has not yet seen. Other hobbies include fishing and photography. John won a green belt in karate in 1953.

BILL MATHEWS,
Mechanic at the Oak Street garage, New Westminster District, retired in April 1977, after 16 years of service with Highways. Bill was born in Saskatchewan, then moved to Hamilton, Ont., where he received his education. Early in life Bill became interested in repairing and racing motor-cycles. He raced on hundreds of tracks in Canada and the U.S., including Daytona, where he placed first in the 200-mile race in 1941, setting a course record, and in 1950. He also placed second in 1948 and 1949. He raced in Britain in 1947. Bill worked for Fred Deeloy Cycles before working for Highways, where he was largely responsible for the maintenance of the patrol motor-cycles. He is married and has two sons, one living in Chilliwack and the other near Miami, Florida.

LOUIS BAFARO,
Machine Operator in the Revelstoke District, retired December 31, 1976, after 22 years of service. He began with Highways as a Driver and was promoted to Road Foreman. Louis and his wife plan to continue to live in Revelstoke and assist his daughter and son-in-law in running their farm.

PETE HOOFT, Machine Operator in the Chilliwack District, retired recently and received a presentation from his fellow employees. Pete began with Highways in 1955 as a Labourer and became a Machine Operator in 1955. All his service was in the Huntington-Abbotsford area.

ROD TIMPANY,
Machine Operator in Williams Lake District, retired in November 1976. Rod began with Highways in 1967 and was Flatdeck Truck Driver at time of retirement. His future plans call for residence in Williams Lake. His fellow workers wish him a happy retirement.

A retirement banquet with presentation of gifts was held in March for Capt. PETER MATHEWS in New Denver. Pete is now on retirement leave and plans to move to the Prince George area. Pete was Senior Captain of the MV Needles since 1969. Prior to that he was a Captain at Burns Lake. Pete has been in the service for 27 years.

LLOYD DEWAR,
Machine Operator at Rosedale in the Chilliwack District, recently retired and received a presentation from his fellow employees. Lloyd began with Highways in the Peace River in 1951 and transferred to Chilliwack in 1955. He also received his 25-year service award. Lloyd will continue to live in Chilliwack and pursue his outdoor interests and lapidary.

VERN KINGSLEY,
Machine Operator 7, Savona Lake crew in the Kamloops District, retired March 31, 1977, after 24 years of service. Dan Doyle, District Highways Manager, made presentations to Vern on behalf of his fellow workers and friends. Vern will enjoy his retirement with more time for gardening, carpentry, and fishing.

ROY SWEETEN,
retired March 31, 1977, from the Salmon Arm maintenance crew after 32 years of service. Roy started with Highways in December 1945 at a Labourer and worked his way to Truck Driver, Grader Operator, and Foreman 2. On his last day working at the Salmon Arm shop, Roy was presented with all the fishing equipment needed to start retirement.
ABOUT PEOPLE . . .

DON HUTTON, newly promoted to District Highways Manager, Burns Lake, was one of the guests at a recent Government employees' party. Don says if this happens regularly he will enjoy his stay here. Burns Lake can certainly provide Don's favourite pastimes, hunting and fishing.

JOCELYN HAUK, Clerk 2, looks after the vouchers in the Merritt District office. "Joce" has been with Highways since March 1977. Jocelyn and her husband take advantage of fishing in the many lakes surrounding Merritt. She also enjoys skiing, knitting, and crocheting.

JOHN BONNER, Technical Assistant in New Westminster Dock District office since January 1975, is interested in most sports, especially hockey, football, and baseball. He is a member of the New Westminster District Highways mixed softball team. John in single.

DEBBIE TOUCHETTE left Maintenance Management at Headquarters on April 30, 1977, after two years. Debbie was recently married to Richard Touchet, an officer cadet in the Armed Services. The couple has moved to Kingston, Ont., for her husband to complete his training. Debbie's cheerful co-operation will be missed by all of MM in Victoria and in the regions.

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PETER BAKER, a new face in Training and Safety Branch, comes to Victoria as a Training Officer after many years of district work, most recently as District Technician in Prince Rupert. Peter's current interests are mostly centred on exploring and adapting to the city environment.

BOB SAUL, Region 4 Driver Trainer, was the recipient of an award from the B.C. Safety Council for teaching defensive driving courses. Bob has many years of driver training; his cheerfulness makes him welcome throughout the region. His interests include cross-country skiing and photography.

RUSS BROUGHTON, Mechanical Foreman of the New Denver Highways District, has been with Highways since 1962. Russ is married with two boys and two girls. His hobbies are hunting and fishing.

MRS. JEAN TURNER joined the Salmon Arm District Office in December 1976 as a Clerk-Typist to help with the ever-increasing volume of paper work. Jean spends her spare time at gardening and water sports.

'CHUCK' SIDDELL, Mechanic at Boston Bar in the Merritt Highways District, has been with Highways since 1956. He was born in England and came to Canada in 1954. Chuck enjoys carpentry and camping.

Stan Jones, Construction Foreman, left, Larry Murray, Road Foreman, centre, and Jack Taggart, Stockman, all of the Penticton Highways District, take a minute to pose for the RR cameraman.

Mrs. Jean Turner joined the Salmon Arm District Office in December 1976 as a Clerk-Typist to help with the ever-increasing volume of paper work. Jean spends her spare time at gardening and water sports.

After approximately 40 years in the old Burnside office, 280 Burnside Road, the entire Saanich District office staff recently moved to the new office at 201, 661 Burnside Road East. The district will reside here until construction of a new office building is completed sometime in the future. Left to right, back row, Marjorie Turner, Joy Mann, Norm Gregg, Dave Booz, Ross Deveau, Si Tognela, Jack Brooks; middle row, Candace Hughes, Anne Leiper, Ruth Barton, Linda Smart, Eunice Lee, Earl Thompson, George Harper; front row, Bill Smith, Rob Hawat, Bill Hickman, Fred Hughes, Dave Raven. Missing from the photo, Eric Smith, Chris Blaney, Bruce Robertson.
In minor hockey and minor baseball.

ARNIE KRAUS
District Maintenance Management Co-ordinator, Merritt Highways District, has recently been busy on his performance budget. Arnie is involved in minor hockey and minor baseball.

JOHN BEKKERS,
Technical Assistant in the New Westminster Dock District office since November 1975, enjoys tennis, golf, and skiing. John is married and lives in Delta.

KURT PETERS,
Mechanic 2 of the New Denver Highways District, has been with Highways since 1972. Kurt is married with two children. His hobby is fishing.

HARRY GENCOREK,
Mechanic Foreman at the Salmon Arm garage, has been with Highways since 1948. A call from Harry usually starts out with, "this is the little fat fellow here."

FRED RASPBERRY,
Mechanic Operator 7 of the Hope crew in the Merritt Highways District, has been employed with Highways since 1952.

MAC FLYNN,
Stockman, New Denver Highways District, has been with Highways since March 1974. Mac is married with five boys and three girls. He is interested in all sports, mainly curling and golf.

FAYE FAWCCETT,
Auxiliary, started with the Salmon Arm District office in October 1975 and has been employed as a Clerk-Typist I, looking after the reception desk, phones, radio, and typing.

CLIFF HOBBS,
Assistant to the Salmon Arm District Stockman, Lloyd Gall, contending with the ever-increasing chore of maintaining the stock. Cliff has been with Highways since 1955.

DONNA JODREY,
new Clerk-Typist 2 for Maintenance Management in Victoria. Donna joined MM after spending two years in Services Branch. Donna is married to an apprentice machinist, and she enjoys organic gardening, vegetarian cooking, and handicrafts.

MARILYNN PEDERSON, Clerk-Typist, Merritt District office. Marilyn is new to the office and works in the engineering department helping the District Technicians and the District Co-ordinator. She enjoys most sports and is presently learning to crochet.

CONVALESCENTS
JIM HAYES, Machine Operator, Merritt Highways District, recently suffered a mild heart attack and has been off work most of the winter. Jim is expected back to work in early May.

FRED JOHNSON, Foreman 2 at Logan Lake in the Merritt Highways District, recently suffered a heart attack and is now recuperating.

TRANSFER
GWEN LAURSEN, Clerk 3, Insurance and Claims office, was presented with a gift at a luncheon given by fellow staff members on the occasion of her transfer to the position of Clerk 3, Accounts Branch. Her varied interests include boating and bowling and with her family is helping to build their dream home in Maple Bay.

Tony Fricon, Concrete Finisher at work on the expansion joint repairs on the Oak Street bridge. Two inside lanes were finished in April, the curb lanes, in October and November, 1976.
PEEK INTO THE PAST . . .

Taken at the official opening day of the old Brilliant suspension bridge in February 1914, these photos turned up in an old headquarters file. Top, shot of the bridge under construction; above picture shows the completed structure and upper right, a ceremonial opening day parade of Doukhobor residents whose settlement was served by the bridge. In a letter to the then Deputy Minister, J. G. Griffiths, the consulting engineers pointed out that the cables, towers, and anchorages were designed for a live load of 155 tons and that the deck would carry "a 25-h.p. traction engine weighing 26,000 pounds, 75 per cent of this weight being on the rear axle."
The Salmon Arm maintenance yard had a face lifting during 1976, with a little landscaping and two of our antiques being placed on Gerhardt Mountain. The rock crusher is a Q-20-E Champion, built by Dominion Road Machinery, Ontario, at a cost of $3,628 in May 1929. The grader is a Stockland J-14, built in May 1930 at a cost of $2,605.
TRAINING AND SAFETY

The Chilliwack District, which closed the 1976 year with 78.8 per cent accident frequency improvement, won the Region 1 safety award. The last year the award went to Chilliwack was 1968. Chilliwack was third out of 37 districts reporting for 1976. The efforts of the employees were recognized at a banquet and dance in Chilliwack, March 18. Headquarters guests were Assistant Deputy Minister Al Rhodes, Training and Safety Officer Al Park, and Pat Harkness, Safety Officer of the Accident Prevention Division, Public Service Commission. Assistant Regional Engineer Roy Gittins and other officials represented the region.

Chilliwack District Highways Manager N. W. Wells, left, observes Rod Upton, right, 1976 Chairman of the Safety and Health Committee accept the Region 1 award for the most improved personnel accident frequency presented by Assistant Deputy Al Rhodes.

Headquarters Safety and Training Officer Al Park presented a gold safety award to the Chilliwack office staff and survey crew for working 164,754 consecutive man-hours without a time-loss accident. Left to right, front row, Mrs. Noel Kingston, Assistant Office Manager and Timekeeper; Mrs. Dee Hubert, Clerk-Typist; Roy Walker, District Office Manager; back row, Gordie Vance, District Technician; Ray DeGraff, Engineering Aide; Mrs. Dorothy Anderson, Clerk; Mrs. Sandie Gauthier, Clerk; Sam Bergen, Engineering Aide.

Pat Harkness, Safety Officer of the Accident Prevention Division, Public Service Commission, right, presents the Good Housekeeping award to Tucker Forsythe, Gibsons District Highways Manager.

Al Tranfield, Design and Survey Superintendent, left, receives the safety award for the Branch in the region with the most improved personnel accident frequency. Roy Gittins, Assistant Regional Highway Engineer, made the award.

District Highways Manager N. W. Wells, right, admiring some mementos which he received in recognition of the improvement in the district’s safety record. Roy Gittins, Assistant Regional Highways Engineer, appears intrigued.

Mrs. Noel Kingston, Assistant Office Manager and Timekeeper in the Chilliwack District, receives a presentation from N. W. Wells in recognition of her efforts in caring for the many preliminary arrangements for the banquet.

The runner-up award for safety in Region 1 went to the Port Alberni District. Headquarters Training and Safety Officer Al Park, centre, made the presentation to Don Britton, left, secretary of the health and safety committee, and Don Bryant, chairman of the committee, who accepted the award on behalf of the district.

JOHN BERGEN, Road Foreman, Burns Lake District, received bronze award on behalf of his crew for 36,594 hours of safe work. John and his crew do all their maintenance on gravel roads south of François Lake.
The annual Region 2 safety banquet was held in Lillooet on Friday, March 25. This honour was won by the district which went from last place in 1975 to the most improved personnel accident frequency in the region in 1976. Present from the region were Ray White, Regional Highway Engineer; Dave MacVicar, Assistant Regional Highway Engineer; Al Smith, Design and Survey Superintendent, and Dave Grant, Regional Safety Officer; Headquarters was represented by Jack Lisman, Highway Safety Engineer; Jack Corning, Safety Officer. Pat Harkness, Safety Officer, represented the Accident Prevention Division of the Public Service Commission. Over 100 people attended the banquet and dance.

Jack Lisman, Headquarters Safety Engineer, right, presents the Minister's Award to Ray White, Regional Highway Engineer, Kamloops. The award is an annual presentation to that highway region with the most improved personnel accident frequency. Region 2 also had the best absolute record.

Pat O'Toole, Lillooet District Highways Manager, left, receives the Roy McLeod Trophy, the Region 2 award for the most improved personnel accident frequency. Presentation made by Ray White, Regional Highway Engineer.

Jack Corning, Headquarters Safety Officer, left, presents the Finning Award for the lowest accident frequency in the region to R. Ward, Machine Operator, who accepted the award on behalf of the Salmon Arm District.

Kamloops Design and Survey Superintendent Al Smith, left, accepts the safety award for the Branch with the most improved personnel accident frequency. Presentation made by Pat Harkness, Safety Officer with the Accident Prevention Division, Public Service Commission.

Harvey Popoff, District Highways Manager, 100 Mile House, left, receives the General Motors award from Ray White, Regional Highway Engineer, for the lowest vehicle-accident frequency in Region 2.

The Honourable K. Rafe Mair, Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs, left, presents a safety award to R. G. Harvey, Deputy Minister for the Ministry of Highways and Public Works. The award, a certificate and miniature gold cap trophy, was presented to the Headquarters Engineering Division for a frequency of under 20 accidents per million man-hours worked in a medium-hazard category.

Dave MacVicar, Assistant Regional Highway Engineer, left, presents the G. H. Wood Award for Good Housekeeping to L. Nobbs, Machine Operator, Salmon Arm District, who accepted the award on behalf of his fellow-workers.

The Burns Lake Highways office staff received a bronze award for 54,664 hours without time loss. It is often forgotten that office staff are in a potential accident area. Norah Juhinville, Office Manager, received the award on their behalf from Don Hutton, District Highways Manager.
EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Winners of the A event in the Kamloops sixth annual bonspiel, left to right, were lead, Barry LeBlonde; second, Pete Puhalla; third, Dave Grant; and skip, Rtc. Meidinger. Winners of the B event were from the Salmon Arm District, skip, Harry Zenaik; third, Cliff Hobbs; second, Al Rhode; and lead, Herb Young. C event winners were from the Merritt District, skip, Cecil Luman; third, Fred Johnson; second, Wayne Hubbard; and lead, John Morrison.

Members of the Burns Lake Engineering and Survey Crew having a good time at the recent BCGEU party after receiving their bronze award for 36,584 hours without a time loss, an enviable record. Left to right, Larry Fransson, District Technician; Scot Gallacher, Tom Blair, Dave Woode, Dave Foster, Engineering Aides.

Dorothy Heavenor, Auxiliary Clerk-Typist in Vanderhoof, has been assisting the Maintenance Management Coordinator as well as the district office staff since September 1976. She is shown trying out her new equipment, which will be put to good use on a 49-day group bicycle tour from Astoria, Ore., through Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, and into Pueblo, Colo., a distance of 2,100 miles.

Winner of the 18th annual curling bonspiel for Regions 4 and 5 was the rink from Prince George. Left to right, Ritchie Pastor, lead; Scotty Gallagher, second; John Mill, third, and Bradley Rikley, skip. The bonspiel took place in Terrace and brought together 44 rinks. A feature of the gathering was a Saturday night banquet and dance. Second in A event was the rink from Chemut composed of Bob Shearer, skip; Bernice Shearer, second; Don Donkersley, third; and Yvonne Donkersley, lead. Winner of the B event was the Burns Lake rink with George Evensten, third; Ethel Evensten, lead; John Anderson, skip, and Allison Anderson, second. The Fort St. John rink placing first in C event was made up of Lorraine Davis, lead; Dean Davis, second; Cecil Martel, third, and Homer Good, skip. Second in the B event were Norman Brown, skip; Clifford McLane, lead; Horst Landorf, second, and Lawrence Moline, third; the rink from Smithers. Rinks from Terrace were third in A and B events.

25-YEAR SERVICE AWARDS

GORDON GANN recently received a 25-year continuous service award. Gordon began with Highways in Langford as a Mechanic's Helper in 1951 and serves as a Mechanic 2 in the Duncan shop.

M. V. (SPUD) DYER, Road Foreman at Agassiz, Chilliwack District, recently received his 25-year service award. Presentation was made at the Chilliwack safety banquet.

LOUIS BAFARO, Foreman 2, Revelstoke Highway District, recently received a meritorious service award.

EDWIN BRAATEN recently received a 25-year service award. The time was served in the Southbank area, some of it as a deckhand on the Jacob Henkel Francois Lake ferry and more recently a temporary Road Foreman at Southbank.
ON THE JOB...

Kent Sharon, Bridge foreman, Williams Lake Highway District, setting up the driver on a pile-driver in preparation for setting new bridge pilings.

William (Bill) Deak, Machine Operator, running a 82-40 base-rated Euclid. Rented cat is ripping and pushing up material to be used in base construction. Bill has pushed up approximately 60 cubic yards of this material during the past winter. Due to the shortage of gravel in the Dawson Creek Highway District, sandstone material is often used instead of gravel on low-traffic volume roads.

Tom Turner, Lead Hand, left, and Al Sears, Welder, in the Penticton District shop, reading modifications on some new equipment.

Allan Kennedy, left, and Kent Sharon, Bridgesmen with the Williams Lake bridge crew, huddle together to keep warm while at work on a new bridge near Likely. The Quesnel River is in the background.

The Golden bridge crew built this new salt shed in the Golden Highway District yard. It has a storage capacity of 350 tons.

Chris Eboh, Bridge Foreman, Williams Lake District, taking a line with transit for a new bridge.

Enclid Tremblay, Bridge Foreman, Dawson Creek Highway District, is using an old system of transport to move materials between the bridge shed and the shop. He notes that this is good exercise and you do not require a driver's licence.

Nanaimo River canyon, 8 miles south of Nanaimo, with the E & N railroad trestle in the foreground and the newly constructed Nanaimo canyon bridge in the background.

George Boyce, Mechanic Foreman, Penticton District, preparing appraisal forms on his employees.
Bridge construction on frontage road over the Sumas Canal using prestressed-concrete box stringers. Bridge is located on the Trans-Canada Highway, 8 km east of Abbotsford in the Chilliwack District. Construction began in January 1977 and was completed in March. Top picture, piles driven and caps poured; middle, falsework removed and first stringers in place; and bottom, bridge completed. This is looking east parallel to bridge on the eastbound lane of the Trans-Canada Highway.

Cranbrook District is the first in Region 3 to receive a 9-foot wide, 40-ton Willock folding gooseneck trailer which folds in front and winches up and down for safer loading and unloading. J. R. Miles, Lowbed Operator, is loading tires.

Moving the asphalt storage-tank stands from the old yard to the new yard in the Fernie District are Senior Road Foreman A. R. Puppin, left, and Mechanical Foreman E. H. Sangala.

Norm Allen of the New Denver District checking out the Teleskop prior to carrying out ditching operation in the district.

New concrete deck being placed on Sachum Bridge in the Thompson Canyon, Trans-Canada Highway, in the Merritt Highways District. This job was undertaken by the Headquarters Paving Branch with assistance from the Merritt bridge crew.
Tom McNabon, Engine Shop Foreman, Cloverdale, using the new boring machine recently installed. This router boring bar is much faster than the ones previously used and can handle any engine size from 2 to 8 inches bore.

Paul Gambling, Mechanic in the Cloverdale engine shop, using the new magnafluxing machine. This machine will show up small cracks and flaws in cranks and cylinder heads which could escape the naked eye.

Peter Finsstal and Norm Dondanville, Salmon Arm District garage, pause for a smile during a busy day repairing equipment. Peter has been with Highways since June 1976 and Norm since May 1969.

Duncan patching crew working on the Trans-Canada Highway four-laning in the Chemainus area, left to right, Ernie Mazzei, Machine Operator; Eugene Davis, Machine Operator; and Lou Scott, Labourer.

Haslam Bridge, 8 miles south of Nanaimo, being resurfaced by the Highways Bridge Branch. This bridge will be handling Trans-Canada Highway northbound traffic and a newly constructed bridge will handle the southbound traffic in the new four-lane section.

John Armstrong, left, recently completed his heavy-duty mechanics' apprenticeship at Fort St. John and receives his certificate from Walt Haddow, Mechanic Foreman. John is now Mechanic 2 in Smithers.

Dieter Wedermeyer, left, recently completed his heavy-duty mechanics' apprenticeship at Fort St. John and receives his certificate from L. Harding, Mechanic Foreman. Dieter is now Mechanic 2 at Peace Couple.

10-7 CLUB (Cont.)

A retirement party was held for ANDY KAARDAL, who retired after 17 years of service with the Ministry. Andy began as a Truck Driver at Nanaimo and was promoted to Foreman of the Blacktop Crew in 1977. Prior to this he worked on construction and production at pulp mills in Prince George, Crofton, and Harmac. Andy plans to travel through the Mediterranean and various European countries.

NORM HARROPS, assistant to the Regional Mechanical Superintendent, retired March 9, 1977, after 15 years of service with the Highways Headquarters, regional, district, and friends throughout the region contributed to a farewell gift of a recliner chair which was presented to Norm on his last day of work.
Gobion wall constructed along the trails-Canada Highway at Lytton, Merritt Highways District, to protect an Indian cemetery.

Les Lintick, Apprentice Mechanic, Cloverdale shop, in the cleaning-room about to clean an engine block which he had finished boring. Less is on an eight-week engine-rebuilding course.

The Honourable Alex. V. Fraser, Minister of Highways and Public Works, centre right, was joined by Arvid Lundell, centre left, former MLA and former Mayor of Revelstoke; Bill King, MLA, left, and Revelstoke Mayor Syd Parker, right, to open the Revelstoke East Overhead at a ribbon-cutting ceremony May 14. The Federal Government and the CPR shared in the cost of the $850,000 span. It is 475 feet long and crosses five tracks with provision for three more. Construction began in September 1974 and the deck and joints were completed early in 1977.

"Frost Boils" and "Potholes" are two perennials that come up as early as March in the Barrière foreman area. These hardy blooms are appreciated by, left to right, Gerry Beddington, Patch Foreman; Sandy Proulx, Labourer; Bob Cockran, Labourer; and Tom Miller, Labourer.

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