



## Day of the dog

Every dog has its day.

A number of dogs in this area will have their day Saturday, May 23.

That's the day junior members of the SPCA stage their annual Pet Show and Art Exhibition in Kerrisdale Arena.

The show starts at 11 a.m.

Regulations against taking animals on transit vehicles will be relaxed between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. to permit youngsters to take their pets to and from the show by bus.

The pets must be on a leash or in a cage and under control of a competent person.

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"Iceland," said the school-teacher, "is about as large as Siam."

"Iceland," wrote one of the pupils afterwards, "is about as large as teacher."

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Lady — A woman who makes it easy for a man to be a gentleman.

## Coming events

May 23—United Nations Ass'n Vancouver Branch, tea and garden party at home of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Graham, 6101 N.W. Marine, 2.30-4.30 p.m. Tickets 50c. Door prizes.

May 25-29—B.C. Speech Arts Festival, Cambrian Hall, 215 E. 17th, Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m., Tuesday to Friday at 7 p.m. Tickets at door. For information call RE 1-1230.

May 25-30 — Vancouver League for Hard of Hearing, Open House, 2460 Alma Road, from 2-5 p.m. daily.

May 26 — St. Mary's Church Women's Society, thrift sale, in church gym, Larch & 37th, 6.30 to 10 p.m.

May 27—Prairie Circle birthday tea, St. John's United Church hall, Comox & Broughton, 2 p.m. Tickets 35c.

May 28—Seton Academy garden party, 401 N. Esmond, 2 p.m. Tea 2.30-4.30, turkey dinner 5 to 7.30 p.m.

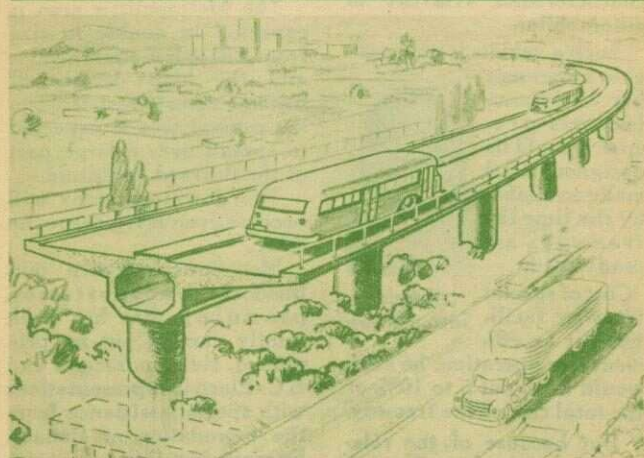
May 29—Ladies' Aux. to F.O.E. 2075, Ritual & Drill team, Vancouver Technical School, E. Broadway, 8 p.m. Tickets at door—adults \$1, children 50c.

May 29 — Giant Kinsmen bingo, Exhibition Forum. Doors open at 6.30 p.m.; game starts at 8 p.m. Tickets \$2, available at door and Cunningham Drug Stores. Proceeds to aid proposed False Creek Community Centre.



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## Fast trips by bus

Transit must play an important part in the freeway system proposed for Metropolitan Vancouver if the freeway program is to succeed, according to G. Sutton Brown, Vancouver's director of planning.

Travel time for longer trips by freeway bus will be about half the present time via local and express buses, Mr. Sutton Brown stated at the Western Regional Conference of the American Transit Association held in Vancouver recently.

Freeway buses would carry passengers from downtown Vancouver to the airport in 20 minutes compared to 40 minutes now, he said. Similarly a freeway bus trip to New Westminster would take 30 minutes compared to 50 minutes now.

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Mr. Sutton Brown explained that freeway buses would also be used for some local service in order to keep the use of transfers to a minimum.

While on the freeway, he explained, buses would require speed and acceleration characteristics similar to automobiles.

Such a vehicle is not available at present but bus manufacturers promise it could be designed and made available by the time the freeways are ready for it.

Cost of special freeway facilities for an efficient bus operation, he said, would be about 5 to 10% of the total cost of the freeway.

But because of the relatively much higher efficiency of the buses, this expenditure would be regained many times over by the avoidance of additional freeways which otherwise would have to be built.

"For our metropolitan area the freeway bus system offers advantages in convenience, travel time and capital cost over a rail system," Mr. Sutton Brown stated.

In any case, he added, the volume of rapid transit passengers would be insufficient to make a rail system practical.

Mr. Sutton Brown pointed out that Metropolitan Van-

couver's population is expected to increase from 665,000 in 1955 to 1,241,000 by 1976 and 83% of the growth is expected to take place outside the City of Vancouver.

This means the average commuter and shopper will be living farther out in the suburbs, he said.

The Metropolitan area is expected to double in size from 120 to 230 square miles and the high density of traffic formerly restricted to the central area is expected to spread over a large part of the Burrard Peninsula.

The downtown area will become even more dense, he said.

Mr. Sutton Brown outlined the transportation planning that has been jointly carried out by provincial, civic, municipal and B.C. Electric representatives with special assistance from the Foundation of Canada Engineering Corporation and UBC departments of mathematics and economics.

Financing the freeway and rapid transit system needed in this area wasn't the main problem, he said.

"The real problem will be to get the same sort of co-operative thinking at the administrative and political levels that we have already had at the technical level."

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*The greatest remaining frontier is within the mind and the unconscious of man. The further man explores within himself, the less important self becomes, and the more he is aware of others.*



Gerald Sutton Brown

## Trouble centre Gets bouquet

(The following letter was received by the manager of B.C. Electric's Gas Distribution Department.)

Dear Sir,—

*May I congratulate you on the manner in which your Trouble Department is run.*

*Some days ago I called to request that my oven burner be adjusted . . . I was most grateful for the prompt and courteous way in which your department responded. The request was received in a gracious manner; the repairman arrived on time (a point most significant since I had a four-mile drive home on a lunch-hour to be home when he arrived). He was most courteous, efficient and tidy in cleaning up. And to my surprise I have just received a call from your department asking whether or not I was satisfied with the results.*

*Having spent four years in a public utility in the east which prides itself on good service to the consumer, I most readily appreciate being on the receiving end. Through those four years I was the recipient of hundreds of calls per day so can understand the constant drain on one's patience.*

*I have lived in Vancouver for over two years now and feel that I am in a position to judge the efficiency of public utilities. May I say that your department wins hands down.*

Erdene M. Hamilton,  
1106 West 13th.

*"My husband is an efficiency expert in a large office."*

*"What does an efficiency expert do?"*

*"Well, if we women did it, they would call it nagging."*

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## Two art shows

Two interesting art shows are on the spring exhibition program at Vancouver Art Gallery, 1145 West Georgia.

Currently on display is the work of 26 members of the Vancouver Businessmen's Art Club.

Members of the group have learned to use their leisure time creatively. Most have never had formal instruction. They paint for fun and to relieve the tensions that build up in the world of business.

The second group, whose work will be on display June 2 to 21, is the B.C. Society of Artists.

This show will include paintings and sculpture by some of the province's leading artists.

Visit the Art Gallery and see for yourself the work our artists are doing.

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*Wife (whispering) — Wake up, John. There's a burglar going through your pockets.*

*Husband (uttering sleepily)—Leave me out of it. You two fight it out yourselves.*

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*Will-power is defined as the ability to eat just one salted peanut.*