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This week the world mourned the passing of Winston Churchill, Man of the Twentieth Century, and one of the great men in history.

The word "mourned", however, seems a bit out of context. More inspiring is a statement made shortly after Churchill's death by Dean Northcote Burke of Christ Church Cathedral in Vancouver: "We who lived during the last war were moved by this man. He lifted us when everything was dark. But for us it isn't really a mourning, but a rejoicing, a celebration of a man who led a fine full life and completed it. We couldn't really mourn."

Many students, being born in the post-war period, do not fully realize or appreciate what Churchill did during the war. To the war generation, Hitler meant "the coming of the end of the world". Churchill rallied and raised the spirits, hopes, and strength of the British and all other free people to crush the venomous Nazi beast and others like him.

Churchill was more than a political and military genius - he was a flamboyant young soldier, refined artist, expert orator, and a master of the English language, notably in his writing of several biographies and historical works, unsurpassed in literary excellence. The genius of Winston Churchill formed a path for others to follow.

He will never be forgotten - at the services tomorrow and Saturday, and in the years to come.

RAMBLER EDITORIALS (continued)

Unfortunately, there is no girls' sports news in this issue of the Rambler. However, here are quick summaries of games played during the past two weeks.

At Mission on Friday night, Jan. 15, the Ridgettes lost a close game 21-16.

Last Friday night, the Girls easily defeated Langley 33-12. High scorer for this game was Muriel Kvern, with 11 points, with Randy Arber close behind with 8.

Last Saturday night the Girls suffered a wipe-out (44-10) playing the Grad girls.

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When submitting letters to the editor, remember that the deadline for these is the same as the gossip deadline. The deadline for this week's gossip and letters is Monday, February 8.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Since we are the "Confused Student's", we feel something should be said on behalf of ourselves.

To begin with, the letters were not meant to be a personal criticism of either the executive or reps. Two or three different reps had made different reports to their classes. It was felt this should be brought to the attention of the Council. It is to our understanding the last Council meeting was handled very well. Therefore the fault has been corrected.

If we were out to spread rumours, we're quite sure we could have found something much more suitable to talk about. To say that we often made rumours was taken to be a personal insult to all of us.

We believe our school has many fine points (even though it was stated to the contrary in the reply.) We also think many found the reply hard to comprehend. It seemed to sway from the subject matter.

Our letter may not have been graciously accepted, but we believe it served its purpose.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Kirk
Sue Greenwell.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

(The opinions expressed in these letters are neither those of the Editor, nor of the Rambler staff.)

The Editor, Ridge Rambler.

Dear Sir (if we may use the expression):

It has been repeatedly drawn to the attention of the Senior Matrics that they are high school students and are therefore subject to high school regulations. If so, why are we ignored? (SNIFF!! SNIFF!!) To cite an example, the Senior Matrics were not invited to view a film shown recently in this school. (SNIFF!! SOB!!) The Grade 12's are repeatedly referred to as the "Senior Students". (SOB!! SNIFF!!) A recent notice stating Honour Roll requirements overlooked the possibility of a Sr. Matric making the Honour Roll. (SOB!) The very existence of the Senior Matrics is continually denied. (SOB!! SOB!!) We strongly recommend that either the school repent and acknowledge our existence or donate a large box of Kleenexes to our cause.

Yours, in the interests of a happier, more well-adjusted Senior Matric Class,
Affectionately, the Senior Matrics,

Bob Lockhart
Connie Ruxton
John Struthers
Glen Wonnacott
Elizabeth Brooke
Stella MacKenzie
Valerie Ramsden
Kay McHallam
Barry Allen Douglas
Henshall Jr.
Jack Allen
Lyn Blackwood
Jacqui Gorrick
Peter Threlfall
Janny De Jong
Tom Machmer
Diana Lawson

Cheryl Billingsley
Muriel Kvern
Brian Campbell
D. Greenwell
Lorne Butt
Marieke van der Pauw
E. Snider
David Barber
Brian Vosburgh
B. Lehmann
Larry Nelson
H. Kosaka
Gary Adams
Ray Russell
John Nelson
L.S.

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Letter to the School:

I am writing this letter as a "chop"; generally, to the main student body of Maple Ridge Secondary and more specifically to elected Student Executives.

The spirit in this school is not bad but it can not be called good. The reason why the nature of spirit is next to nil is the lack of truly responsible people in the school. The number of these people can be counted on one hand. There is definitely little or no idea of what co-operation is in this school.

The club activity in this school is comical. When certain clubs are formed, and executives are elected, the activity of these clubs becomes similar to clubs back in elementary school. There is no constructive work done by the exec-

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR (continued)

utives of such clubs as the Pep Club and the Bowling Club, just to cite two examples. The now defunct Pep Club is the more typical example of a weak executive. But just to down the executive seems almost useless because there is a sparcity of people who could do any better.

There are a number of students who I think are eager to help in school affairs. The reason why no interest can be seen is that the elected officers of the students themselves are not at all devoted in carrying out their what is corn-ily called duties.

There are also a number of people who think they are school spirit fanatics. If they weren't so obvious in their moves for attention, I could almost believe they were sincere. Someone should tell them what "spirit" means.

Changing the subject, I will casually mention that staff appearances are seldom seen at school functions. Yes, test papers must be marked on weekends, but two hours (sic) out of seventy-two isn't that much to look for. After all, school is their business and I think that a better attitude in their place of business can be obtained by such appearances.

Back to the student body itself: I must give a snicker to recent Pep Rallies. It is hard to use the word "pep" because the actions of students are nil. The cheerleaders one is able to hear. Fine! But this isn't the idea. It seems our school is full of a multitude of farmdwellers who must only make utterances above a whisper when calling in the cows. Make your presence at least bearable while you are here in this house of higher education.

Thank you kindly.

Irresponsibly yours,

Gus.

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STUDENTS' COUNCIL REPORT - by Lynn Abra

The last full Students' Council Meeting was held on Tuesday, January 19, 1965.

ATHLETIC - A reminder that the remaining home basketball games will be held on January 28 or 30, February 12, and February 19.

The Sports' Council has chosen members from each division to be responsible for activities at the remaining home games.

The biggest news at the last meeting was that Football will be coming to M.R.S.S.S. next fall. To set up a well equipped team it will cost approximately \$3000. The school board will grant us \$1000 and the B.C. Lions will give us dollar-for-dollar what the school will put up to promote football. The team will consist of two-thirds of its team members from Maple Ridge with the other third coming from Pitt Meadows and Garibaldi. The combining of the three schools to make a football team has two main benefits: firstly,

a better team can undoubtedly be obtained from these three schools rather than one, and, secondly, some assistance may be asked from Pitt Meadows and Garibaldi to help equip the team.

SOCIAL - On Saturday, February 13, the Valentine Social will be held. The dress is semi-formal. More information will be in the next Rambler.

On March 9, there will be a Skating Party.

The Swimming Party will be held from 7:45-9:45 P.M. at the Renfrew Pool in Vancouver on Monday, February 22. Lifeguards will be in full attendance. The price for tickets has not been set yet.

TREASURY - No treasury report was given at the last meeting, but on January 1, 1965, there was \$2,221.04 available to the Students' Association.

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BOYS' SPORTS - by Ron Pound

Intermediate Boys

At Mission on Friday, January 15, Ridge held its own throughout the first three quarters, but the fourth quarter was disastrous for Ridge. Mission outscored them 12-7 in this quarter with 10 of these points scored by Bill Hague. Top scorer for Ridge was Bernie Lehmann with 9, followed closely by Mike Terris with 8. Final score was 40-33 for Mission.

Ridge : B. Lehmann 9, P. Threlfall 6, D. Stinson, J. Charlton, M. Terris 8, R. Bertness 3, E. Scherck, E. Cameron 3, J. Lohnes, B. Norton 4, K. Pulford.

Mission : Beckstrom 6, Haffner 4, Hague 18, Saunders 9, Bradley, Strang, Constantine, Stewart 1, Salsbury 2.

The Langley-Ridge game last Friday night was another real cliff-hanger. Ridge lead in the first half, but Langley bounced right back in the second half and was ahead. Bob Salmon took the lead for Ridge. Peter Threlfall was spectacular for Ridge in getting rebounds. Score was 41-40 for Ridge.

Ridge : J. Charlton, E. Cameron 6, B. Lehmann, R. Bertness 6, B. Norton, K. Rothenburger 2, E. Scherck, D. Stinson, M. Terris 1, B. Pentland 4, B. Salmon 13, P. Threlfall 9.

It seems that Ridge has increased its playing ability at the expense of Garibaldi. In the two games this year, Ridge has pulled off close wins.

In the Garibaldi gymnasium last Monday, all that could be heard was the bouncing of the ball. It seems that Garibaldi is wanting of a few spectators.

The score keepers of the game were quite good; but they seem to have lost track of six points. Whether they were not counted by the referee or just not put down shall remain the mystery of the Ridge-Garibaldi Intermediates game.

Ridge : B. Lehmann 5, P. Threlfall, E. Cameron 8, M. Terris, B. Pentland, B. Norton, K. Rothenburger 2, R. Bertness 2, J. Charlton 4, J. Lohnes 2, B. Salmon 7, D. Stinson

BOYS SPORTS (continued)

Garibaldi - N. Bols 6, G. Gale, D. Barker 7, B. Ward 7, R. Knight 6, M. Knight, R. Tatham 4, D. Lamb

Final score for this game was 30-25 for Ridge.

Ramblers

On Friday night, Jan. 15, Ridge met its stiffest opposition in Mission. The Mission team scored with regularity but Ridge missed too many important shorts. The refereeing of this game left a great deal to be desired.

Ridge : C. Hawkes 7, W. Meek 2, D. Harris 17, G. Allen 7, G. Sharpe, B. King 4, W. Desjardins, B. Brooks 3; B. Vosburgh, M. Scheirer.

Mission's high scorers were B. Newman with 18, and M. Rockwell with 17. Score for this game was 60-50 for Mission.

The Ramblers had an easy time of defeating Langley 78-41, and at the same time set a new school record of points scored in a league game. Dave Harris scored the record breaking basket with 2 minutes left in the game. The refereeing in this game was much improved over that in Mission.

Ridge : C. Hawkes 17, D. Harris 14, G. Sharpe 10, W. Desjardins 3, M. Scheirer 5, B. Brooks 6, B. King 2, G. Allen 10, B. Vosburgh, W. Meek 8.

Langley : H. Poelvoorde 4, F. Carpenter 3, B. Burns 6, D. Johnson, D. Copely 10, R. Niblow 14, G. Jollymore 3.

The Ramblers-Mormon game played here Monday after school was a good one. The Ramblers lost, but tied their former record of 71 points.

In the Grad Game last Saturday night, the Ramblers avenged the school's loss last year with a 63-59 upset over the favored Grads. Dave Hohn was high scorer for the grads, making 21 points. George Allen was high scorer for the Ramblers with 14 points.

The lead in the game went back and forth with the final result from a slaking of defense by the Grads, allowing the Ramblers to score enough points to register a win.

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SOCIAL ACTIVITIES - by Donna McNab

On Thursday, January 21, a Slave Auction was held at noon. Over 30 beautiful pairs of legs were auctioned off by auctioneer Gordie Lillos. Friday was declared "Be kind to Slave Day". There was a weird collection of dress and signs worn and hung on the slaves. At noon in the gym the slaves performed their stunts. The first event was a boxing match between Faith Ward and Sheila Smith which was declared a draw. Next, the Maple Ridge Jack Contest was won by Lenore Lynch over Toni Arber. All the slaves assembled on the stage to sing "Happy Birthday to Sheila". A few slaves had the task of rolling toilet paper around the gym and collecting trash. Everyone, spectators, slaves, and masters enjoyed themselves completely.

COMING EVENTS

February 13 - Valentine Social (semi-formal, outsiders allowed)
April 16 - Spring Prom
A swimming party is planned for late February and a skating party planned for March.

POPULAR OPINION

What is your opinion of Football coming into the school next year?

Lynn Abra - Great! It's the best idea that has hit this school in a long time. I also think that it will bring out more school spirit.

Dianne Burrell - I think that it would be a good idea. Most of the kids want it and there is a pretty good school spirit for it.

Sue Gibson - I think it's wild! I think it's neat!

Sandra Ulriksen - I think it is a wonderful idea. I don't know too much about football, but I like what I do know.

John Humble - I think it would be a great move for the school. It would be something for us to win. I believe every school should have a team!

Greg Hill - C'est bon!!!

Glen Wonnacott - It's O.K. - there's nothing wrong with football.

Rick Jeglum - It's about time! Why didn't they bring it in two or 3 years ago instead of the year that I leave?

Donna-Marie Shavaga - I think it's O.K. It would be good for the school's morale.

Lynda Saether - It's a really mint idea. I know a lot of kids like it and there will be a lot of support.

Nelly Shurmanns - I don't care at all; it's not me that's going to play.

Danny Stinson - I think our school spirit would be greatly improved.

Maureen Emmerson - I won't be here, but I definitely am in favour of the idea. It's just what this school needs.

Rick Cathro - I couldn't care less.

Wendy Bailey - Mint!

Linda Sharun - I think it's a good idea. It should bring lots of school spirit.

Linda Riddell - I am not a football fan, and I don't follow the game, so personally, I don't care. But if it's well supported by the school I think it's a good idea.

Dilys Wilton - It's a fabulous idea!!

CHRISTMAS 1964 HONOUR ROLL

FIRST CLASS

SECOND CLASS

GRADE 13

Baltzer, Stephanie
Barber, David
Brooke, Elizabeth
Lawson, Diane
Lockhart, Robert
Peterson, Alan
Schill, Joanne
Skogstad, Sharlyn
Struther, John
Vanderpauw, Marieke
Vosburgh, Brian

GRADE 12

Craig, Pauline
Kleaman, Alice
Morrison, Sandy
Stipp, Eddy
Trethewey, Barbara
Verigin, Dawne

Arber, Toni
Fraser, Lynn
Funk, Terry
Godfrey, Evelyn
Hansen, Elaine
Hunken, Gaby
Lynch, Lenore
Murgatroyd, Sharon
Nyhus, Glen
Osborn, Joan
Salvail, Vivian
Taber, Lynne
Wilson, Trevor

GRADE 11

Child, Barry
Desjardins, Wayne
Hornidge, Bruce
Quigley, Michael
Rhodes, Arlene
Williams, Ron

Abra, Lynne
Baker, Howard
Bleeker, Mary
Blow, Pat
Cameron, Ewen
Cardwell, Michael
Lang, Brian
McNab, Donna
Riddell, Linda
Soles, Donna
Wilson, Drusilla

GRADE 10

Clark, Kerry
Dickie, Michael
Dunbar, Jean
Fogg, Margaret
Gustafson, Larry
Rhodes, Cathy
Scherck, Ernest
Verigin, Victor

Appleton, Donna
Axford, Kenneth
Belanger, Joan
Booth, Kathy
Botham, Nancy
Dewhurst, Gordon
Evans, Ron
Flowerdew, Julie
Ford, Gwen
Gustafson, Bonnie
Hardy, Darlene
Jensen, Annelise
Lake, Gerry

Leng, Phillip
Marsh, Joanne
McLaughlin, Linda
Roberts, Doug
Salvail, Edward
Shaw, Karen
Smith, Joan
Teichroeb, Paul
Thompson, Evelyn
Vanderpauw, John
Van Poele, Janet
Welton, Catherine
Wilton, Janice

GOSSIP

- M.S. - Do you think he still loves you?
J.H. - Do you think you'll change your mind again?
L.A. - Did he really catch you in your sexy nightie?
L.T. - I guess B.Y. is out of the running, eh? I saw you with L.P., T.R. & H.G. this weekend. Stick to the field!
R.F. - The odds are 10-1 B.C.'s truck will wipe D.P.'s gutless Ford.
M.S. - Hey, Toni! (Slave Day)
J.I. - Give someone else a chance to contribute to the class discussion.
M.M. - Still talking in the library?
D.McC. - Has Hank been getting fresh lately?
R.H. - What happened to you in tumbling?
B.C. - Chev's blow, Fords go.
J.N. - I love your tan sweater.
S.S. - What a grubby pool player.
S.C. - How did you enjoy the truck ride Thurs. night? Bet you don't fall for too many girls like that!
B.R. - What do you do in Vancouver all weekend? Bet R. could tell us!
K.P. - Do you enjoy reading "The Best from Playboy" at basketball games? Does F.T. find it interesting?
D.M.S. - I guess Ralph's about ready to give up, hey?
H.S. - Is B.R. still sweet on you?
M.F. & J.E. (ladies first) - How often do you walk home together?
D.T. - I hear you are going steady with C.F. - too bad for P.S., eh?
D.St.J. - See you got your hair cut.
D.P. - Did you punch or bore it?
D.N. - I hear you were found under a cabbage leaf.
L.B. - That Band-Aid trick didn't go over too well, did it?
J.Mc. - Why the sudden interest in Zoology?
H.H. - What's going on in the Biology lab?
J.F. - Had any axle-dents lately?
D.F. - Still undressing in the closet.
M.T. - Ridge's best player on the floor.
J.S. - Getting strange looks from a teacher?
S.G. & A.T. - Separated in English.
M.Q. - Nasty fellow aren't you, huh?
M.K. & L.D. - Strange "garbage can", huh?
B.K. - Giving out any more poodle dogs?
T.R. - Run into any snowbanks lately?
W.DesJ. - You make a good baby-sitter, huh?
D.I. - I think I'll get myself a haircut too
G.C. - Causing riots in French classes, eh?
L.B. - Who has been writing the letters in the conference room?

GOSSIP DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT RAMBLER IS MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8.

The Senior Class is having a Pie Sale on Wednesday, Feb. 3
Everybody knows the Sr. Girls are the best cooks in town, so come
and taste their wares!