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Major renovation scheduled for **Holmes Harbor**

by Don Kirkpatrick

Golf course developer Ray Schmidt has leased Holmes Harbor Golf Club from owner Terry Todd and will begin a complete renovation of the semiprivate Freeland layout early next

Todd, meanwhile, will make exensive additions to the clubhouse building, including construction of a banquet hall and a swimming pool.

Schmidt, proprietor of Schmidt Golf Course Management, Inc., in Bellingham, said he signed an openended agreement with Todd in mid-October to redesign and manage the golf course

Schmidt's company built Bothell's Mill Creek Golf and Country Club and Bellingham's Sudden Valley Golf Course. Schmidt currently maintains both clubs along with Kayak Point in Stanwood. He also is part-owner of

Riverside Golf Course in Chehalis. One of Todd's companies, the Las Vegas-based Todd Sail Boat and Yacht Co., Inc., has owned the course since 1978. Todd, who lives at nearby Bush Point, has a foreign corporation license in this state. His attorneys work out of Seattle, he said.

The South Whidbey course will reopen in the spring of 1984 as Harbor Hills Golf and Country Club, he added.

Said Schmidt: "Actually we'll turn the golf course upside down, inside out. You won't even recognize it from what it is now

Schmidt will hire an architect to flip-flop the layout. The new course will start in what is now the middle of the old layout, at the top of a hill on Honeymoon Bay Road. Currently, the first and tenth tees are located next to the restaurant on the edge of the

A new pro shop and a parking lot on Honeymoon Bay Road, Schmidt added

Course to be lengthened

A series of subdivisions, through which the golf course twists and winds, will limit restructuring to some extent, Schmidt said. Some fairways will be reversed, he added.

Fairways also will be lengthened. Some 500 to 600 yards will be added to the 5,294-yard course by using part of 96 subdivision lots and other properties Todd is buying from financially-plagued First Realty of Bellevue. He also is purchasing seven lots handled by the realty company and a few larger waterfront parcels

Todd's Leisure Leasing signed an agreement with the realty firm to pay \$43,000 for 1973 to 1977 property taxes to avoid foreclosure, said Bernice Bainbridge, deputy clerk of the Island County treasurer's office. Taxes still are owed for the years 1978 to 1982, Bainbridge added.

Development of the two plats involved, Beachwood and Holmes Harbor Golf and Yacht Club, has been stymied by poor soil conditions.

Most houses there were built before sewage disposal regulations were tightened, said Kevin Barry, director of the Island County Health Department. Further development is waiting for a sanitary sewer, Barry added.

Begin in January

Schmidt will oversee the course reconstruction. Plans include a new irrigation system, new greens and tees, sand bunkers (the course now has none), new trees (mostly evergreens), transplanting of old trees, a new putting green and a driving range.

Schmidt will do some mounding near the tees and greens and some minor contouring of the fairways Fairway grading will be limited because extensive work could cause surface drainage problems for surrounding homes, he said.

Work on the course should begin in January, Schmidt said. Part of the course may remain open during early stages of construction, but the whole course will close by mid-summer, he said. It will reopen in April or May the

Schmidt will run the course, provide maintenance and hire the grounds crew and a golf professional.

Schmidt said he intends to bring in a fleet of 50 new golf carts and all new greenskeeping equipment. A new maintenance building also will be

Harbor Hills will be "up to a Ludlow standard," said Todd, referring to the course west of Hood Canal known as 18 of the toughest holes in the state.

Schmidt, whose brother maintains Port Ludlow Golf Course, said Harbor Hills "could rival Port Ludlow as to the setting," but as a test of golf, the Whidbey course is "locked in" by the housing developments.

Building additions

The Holmes Harbor restaurant and clubhouse was closed down by a leaky



Holmes Harbor will reopen as Harbor Hills Golf and Country Club after a year of reconstruction.

drainfield in November of 1981.

"When we did that, all the rumors started: 'The restaurant's going broke, Todd's going broke,' so I just stopped talking,' said Todd.

Raw sewage had seeped to the surface near the drainfield - between the clubhouse and the water - and the health department was notified.

"It didn't take any strict enforcement measures on our part," Barry said. "They were very cooperative." He said no sewage was found leaking into the harbor.

Todd's prospects did not look good. But then one day, as he stood on his restaurant porch, he looked at the fruit trees in the vicinity of the eighth fairway and remembered how fruit trees liked sandy soil - good soil for

The drainfield was completed earlier this year, but Todd decided to take advantage of the closure to change the "dumpy" appearance of the golf course building

They got really lucky," Barry said. "Much to most of our surprise a new drainfield was built within 150 yards of the clubhouse.

Remodeling of the dining area, bar (complete with chandeliers from the old Olympic Hotel) and banquet kitchen is almost complete. Todd said he is looking for an experienced restaurateur to sign a lease.

Changes were drawn out by Todd and a friend, Travis Easley, but architectural work and construction will be handled by North Coast Enterprises, Inc., of Seattle, Todd said.

Pool, tennis courts

North Coast's work also will begin in January, Todd said. Additions, he said, will include a covered swimming pool, steam baths, jacuzzi, locker rooms, showers, coed weight room, dining patio, small tennis courts (covered and outdoor), dock repairs plus a banquet and stage facility.

Todd hopes to rent the 6,000-square foot banquet hall out for conventions of 100 or 200 people. At other times, "we'll make that available to the churches and the local community," he said. "I think that's a plus." The pool also may be available to the

The construction will add about 14,000 square feet to the current 8,000square foot building, he said. Funding is "no problem," he said

The golf cart storage shed, adjacent to the restaurant, will be moved to make way for extra parking. The entire parking lot will be blackt

Todd, who lost a lot of members to Useless Bay Country Club in the last year, has about 105 inactive members and 48 full-time members. They will become charter members when the course reopens, he said. Harbor Hills is not now accepting new members.

Todd also hopes to bring back large sailboat races to Holmes Harbor beginning next year.

He said he does not have any plans to develop the property he is buying. Golf course improvements, naturally, may make the lots more attractive.

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Editorial Opinion--Election '82

Wilson record, seniority favor him

Wilson, Marysville Republican, it is the fifth defense of the legislative seat he has held since his first vic-

By now you would think campaigning for him would prove a piece of cake. He has traveled incalculable distances over the years to take his message to hundreds of individuals, groups - anyone who will give him the time of day (or night) to hear him out on the issues that relate to his record as a District 10 legislator

There is no formula. No stock approach. No consistency of issues, one legislative session to the next. unless it's that people want a high level of services offered them but at no increase in taxes.

ONE THING HE acknowledges. Government and governing have become more complicated. The financial demands on government have become greater while revenues have lessened. The public attitude is against spending unrestrained. That coupled with decreasing dollars into the state coffers being eroded by an inflation that compounds the financial dilem-

FOR REPRESENTATIVE Sim ma facing everyone from the individual citizen, to businesses, small and big, and government.

All of this has sharpened campaign issues which are confronting candidates at every level this fall. It is clearly illustrated in the race featuring political newcomer, Lynne Bryant, South Whidbey Democrat, and Wilson. They have tangled on assorted key points ranging from education to the operation of state ferries on Puget Sound - particularly those linking South Whidbey with the mainland.

WHILE BRYANT IS certainly: not a flaming liberal (she confronts the realities of existing budget problems and resulting cuts in funding critically but quite rationally) she will not be mistaken for a disciple of Phyllis Schafley, either. Bryant is a "concerned human being" campaigning for a wide spec trum of other human beings who she thinks are getting the shaft as a result of actions in the last session of the legislature. She holds Wilson (and other members of his party) responsible for almost all the woes facing us but Herpes Simplex

cure, unfortunately. But she has a myriad of ideas which, if elected. she plans to spring on the legislature as a curative to many of the ills which have affected the state's economic health and with it that of some of the agencies and services she holds sacrosanct.

There is something wonderful about running for office for the first time. Something nalve, also. However intelligent, dedicated, perceptive and all those good things the candidate is, he or she has not confronted the ultimate reality - serving the office they seek. First time candidates can espouse all the genuine (and sometimes platitudinous) ideals in the world. Some come across as if they could be king (or queen) for a day they would wave their magic wand and, kazzam! all our problems are solved. It ain't like that. Even in

LIFE IN THE legislature (as well as life on the school board, city council, as a county commissioner. governor, congressman or president of the United States) is a rude shock where the best — intended campaign promises of the most the shoals of the system.

Many worthy first-time candidates have won elections and once they have taken their oath of office quickly grasp this. They learn the rules of a complicated, give-andtake game and how they can make them work to their advantage and the advantage of their constituency. Their perception of this has everything to do with survival as an officeholder, their credibility among members of the electorate, their party and those on the other side of the aisle. As they mature in their comprehension of the system they began to earn recognition as respected legislators and it is on that cornerstone that their political reputation is built.

THAT HAVING BEEN said, and taking into consideration all of Bryant's campaign idealogue, we find outselves in Sim Wilson's corner as he bids for a sixth term. He has not sat idly by during the 10 years of his service and has won the respect of fellow legislators, both Republican and Democrat, when they evaluate his work - his accomplishments on several key committees in the past and the

critical House Transportation Committee to which he was named

This has been both important and beneficial to the Whidbey Island portion of the 10th. This is only one of several major legislative appointments conferred on Wilson by fellow legislators. In addition he has not lost track of the problems and needs of the District he represents. He has proved available and a resourceful ally in helping various individuals, age groups, municipal and county-level agencies and people with problems who have no place else to turn.

Sim Wilson came in for a ration of criticism earlier this year for nights out on the town underwritten by lobbyists who were after his support on pet legislation. There is no indication that Chinese dinner in Anaheim, Ca. similar treatment in Reno, Nev. and someone picking up the tab for food and refreshments in Kalispell, Mont. all scenes of legislature-approved and financed meetings — corrupted him to the point of selling his vote.

SHOW US THE legislature who has not been the beneficiary of a lobbyist's old-as-the-hills wooing

technique and we'll show you a legislature who should be bronzed and mounted beside the statue of Mother Joseph on the Capitol

This is not to condone the efforts of lobbyists to prevail thusly on legislative favor. But until the system is outlawed it is not illegal. Ask former Sen. Pat Wanamaker. who has accepted, without tarnishing his reputation as a legislator of impeccable personal conduct, to run a list of lobbyist "gratuities" which he accepted by you. Or any other legislator, past and present.

THIS NEWSPAPER supports Sim Wilson because of his past performance and the fact that still greater things may be ahead for him as his seniority in Olympia mounts. With due regard for Bryant, this is an instance where we of the 10th legislative district have too much at stake in the veteran Wilson to sack him while his political career may be reaching its fullest flower.

It so it is not merely for his personal enhancement. It is in the best interest of his 10th district constituency and that of the state of Washington.

- WVF

Bodin, Haugen: Fill in blank

IF AWARDS WERE given (rather than political positions) for non-stop, creative, tenacious, round-the-clock campaigning Sandi Bodin, North Whidbey Republican, and Mary Margaret Haugen, Camano Democrat, should make off with matching prizes.

Even before they observed the formal filing ritual the last week of July they were off and running. Bodin may have had a head start because it wasn't long after Joan Houchen released the poorest-kept secret in the world that she had her artillery trained on bigger game that Bodin was drafting her plans and lining up support.

Anyone who admires organization cannot help but marvel at what she has put together (with more than a little help from her friends) since she made up her mind to run. Those who laughed — and not many people who - when she revealed her intentions to run for the legislature, aren't now.

SHE HAS TAKEN her brand of conservatism with almost religious fervor to the four corners of the district and she has made doubt about where she stands. She wants more budget trimming, no new taxes unless the fate of the state is in the balance, fewer people on the state payrolls, the cutting or eliminating programs that do not conform to her idea of fiscally-responsible spending, etc.

Bodin expressed in a meeting with this writer last Thursday that she felt she had Whidbey Press, but that a serious misimpres sion was created by an article which deals with the candidacies of her and Haugen.

I am not anti-ERA. I am for the Constitu tion which already offers equal rights." She is against taxpayers picking up the tab for anyone's college education. All of this and more is included in Bodin-Haugen commen taries appearing in the South Whidbey Record of Oct. 26 and the Whidbey News Times of Oct. 27)

WHILE BODIN HAS been spreading her conservative dogma throughout District 10, opponent Haugen, a Democrat and representing the other side of the political coin, has established some significant areas of disagreement in the two philosophies. Just how disparate are their views?

Haugen, a beauty shop operator, ex-presses deep concern about unemployment which plagues the state. Bodin, whose business affiliation is real estate sales reserves some of her major feelings for the state's budget deficit.

The areas of agreement, while not great in number, have to do with school funding (excluding those striving for a college education). It's the degree of the former that could be a center of debate between the two

Of all the choices available to Island County voters on the Nov. 2 ballot, there is probably none as sharp as those which identify Bodir and Haugen. What they have managed to do in their respective styles and their conflicting political viewpoints, is give many interested listeners an insight into philosophies that are more conservative (represented by Bodin) and what the election of 1982 is all about

BODIN DOES NOT draw cheers or ap plause unrestrained from members of the respective audiences she has addressed with her rigid conservativism. Haugen, preaching her doctrine of more government help for the people and more liberal sper ding to achieve these ends, does not bring budget-conscious Republicans leaping from

their seats with joy on the other hand. Some years ago there was a book that was popular among some conservatives entitled 'A Choice, not an Echo." For those who like almost biblical status (with a lower case "B"



Without attempting to correlate Bodin, Haugen and the book, certainly that is what

BODIN COMES ACROSS in a serious, straight-laced manner, armed with percenclarify her points. They are used liberally, if we may, to support arguments favorable to her brand of politics. She is precise. She presents herself well. And you have no doubt where she is coming from. It would be absolutely wonderful, whether you agree or disagree with what she espouses, that other candigates from both parties could emulate

HAUGEN, TOO, IS well rehearsed in her views. There is no doubt where she is com ing from either. Except it's from another

It is important to know, perhaps, that both are making their first bid for a high public office, although each has toiled in the vineyard of volunteer public service. Haugen is a Bodin has been local legislative chairman for the Washington Association of Realtors.

It can be said that the two parties have produced energetic, highly active, opinionated women for the legislative post given up by

WHO, THEN, MIGHT we recommend? Would you buy one big Spellmanesque "waffle." No? Sorry about that. If you are a conservative doctrinaire Bodin is your person. farther to the left (without falling off the edge of the earth into China) Haugen is your

These are good good candidates who present their views honestly, clearly and will be heard - whichever one wins her way to

On that basis, fill in the blank and take it with you to the polls Tuesday so you won't forget after whose name you will

Perhaps it could be put more plainly. The hour is growing late and I think you are entitled to more than personal bias. We find

ourselves at that point after long deliberation. WE JUST DON'T know. From behind this typewriter the best we can call it is a standoff, to be resolved by what is more consistent with your own political stripe and persuasions. And for that unsolicited piece of non-advice we deserve neither thanks or praise. We've fleshed in the characters for you which one comes across in better focus is a decision that is yours.

Views on Initiatives 412, 435

INITIATIVES 412 (interest rate ceiling) and 435 (removal of the sales tax on food) have both generated support, but neither is as good as they might appear at a

412, if passed, would limit interest rates on retail credit to 12 percent, or 1 percent above the federal discount rate, whichever is nigher

To impose such a ceiling would, n our view, be injurious to the economy and would not make it any easier to buy. It would hurt the people who need credit the most. Credit companies cannot afford to keep giving away cheap 12 percent money, so passage of 412 would simply mean that people who are marginal credit risks would find it harder to obtain credit.

IF 435 PASSES, the state food tax will be lifted on Feb. 1 and if it fails the tax will expire on July 1, as planned by the legislature.

We feel that whatever the benefits of lifting the food tax early might be, they are outweighed by the revenue problems 435 would cause in the interim - from February through June. The piecemeal tax and budget approach which would have to be adopted during those five months would create chaos.

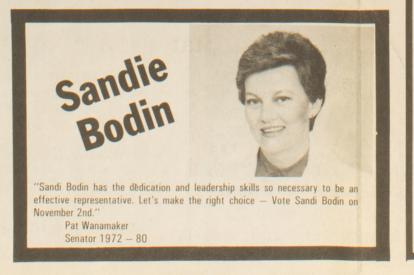
Passing 435 would do harm to the state budget and economy generally by creating a monetary shortfall and that under present circumstances, could be the straw that broke the camel's back. This, despite the attractiveness of repeal ing an unpopular tax, we can ill

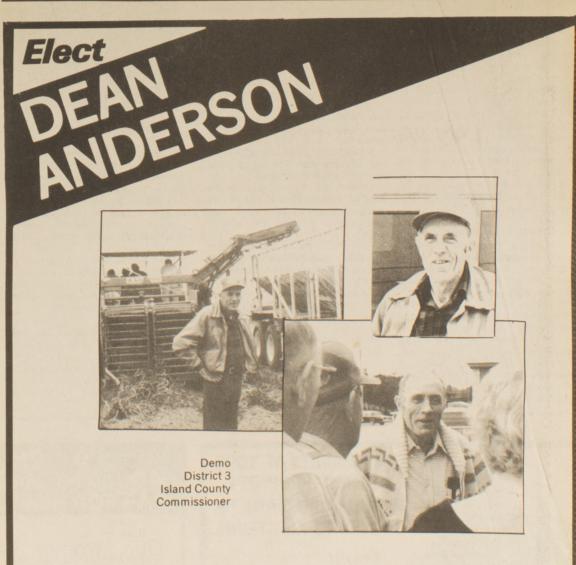
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Previous endorsements

last week the Whidbey News-Times and South Whidbey Record endorsed William (Bill) Dunlop for County Commissioner and Incumbent Sheriff Dick Medina for sheriff. The latter opposes Dean Anderson, North Whidbey Democrat, and the former is being challenged by John Geehan, Freeland-are resident. In other endorsements, Jim Larson of the South Whidbey Record came out for Al Holte over Merle Wilcox, both candidates for judge of the Island County District Court. The coroner's race, involving Incumbent Michael Regan (R) and Cliff Hornung (D) did not come under editorial scrutiny but the two candidates were given voice in the series of candidate interviews which have been appearing prior to the Nov. 2 elections in the Whidbey Press.





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candidates superior

Swift choice over Houchen

niche and a purpose in the state legislature after four years representing the 10th district

Somewhere on the way to a cinch third term someone convinced her that she should play for higher stakes and she succumbed to entreaties on the part of a nameless gaggle to take on Congressman Al Swift.

It is suspected by now that she, in her more private moments, may wonder wi made her do it. She had things kind of going in her direction in the State House. She had been elevated in status by the Republican victory which transformed a GOP minority into a 52-46 victory in the House. She was named chairman of the House Institutions Committee, a member of the Washington State Jails Commission and to the Appropriations-Human Services Committee. That's fair recognition of a two-termer

BUT SHE CHOSE to forsake all that and maybe even greater recognitions to come by

Too bad. The vacancy she created in the District 10 legislative lineup assures us of a freshman representative in Olympia at a time when just about all the experience that either party can marshall should be there to take part in the problem solving. But that's the way

It can't be denied that Houchen is doing everything she can under some of the most trying of circumstances to convince voters District that she will be better for Washington

in Washington, D.C. than two-termer Swift. tries to blame it on the incumbent con-

whips the ball back into her court saying that the spiraling jobless rate is one of his oremost concerns, but it has reached almost Depression-days proportions under policies of Ronald Reagan and other in-control

THEY BOTH WRING their hands over the state of the economy. And they both are smart enough to realize that with more than 10,000,000 people out of work, depending on which latest figure you read, the economy isn't going to get much better until the job rate increases. And, if you board the merrygo-round briefly, there won't be more job until the economy improves. So, round and

This newspaper supported Houchen on three separate occasions when she ran for the legislature. The first time she lost to in cumbent Eleanor Fortson, Camano Democrat, and the second and third times she won handily. It looked, barring some unanticipated turn, that she could remain

THEN SHE CAUGHT Potomac fever. The prognosis is that it will prove fatal. Houchen has not been supplied with all the money i takes to run a campaign of the magnitude of a district including 10 counties and hundreds of miles of landscape running from the Cana dian border to the Olympic Peninsula into the Grays Harbor area, some 200 miles (an unsupported guess) from her Camano Island

The campaign has not been a symphony of coordination, the best internal leadership financial support and many other things. If her 16 to 18 hour days, just how it's all go-

despite a brave show of energy and optimism, and we think she can hardly wait for the results of Tuesday when she can return to the serenity of her Camano Farm, the Fly

Just about everything Houchen has going against her, Swift has going for him. For on a well-organized staff who knows the ropes. Don't forget that he's the incumbent. That's worth a few skill points no challenger can Money has not been a problem although he isn't smothered under a mound of it. He also has Scoop Jackson's coattails, which are not insignificant when in this instance they are more like Superman's cape

SWIFT IS A respected member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee He doesn't share Houchen's optimism about Reagonomics and the positive impact it is having on the country. To the country, he believes it is inflicting painful hurts, especially on the "working stiff.

Houchen has unwisely made an issue out of Swift's absences from the district - implying that he is a carpetbagger spending too much of his time in Washington, D.C. and too little of it here in the Congressional 2nd. His plane ticket stubs indicate otherwise, and besides it is a flimsy issue. The United States Congress convenes in Washington, D.C. and that is where, necessarily, he must spend a great deal of his time. It is not San de Fuca, Mabana and Pysht — to name a few district whistlestops - that he can to his most creative work for his people - although it WOULD be nice if he could come a-calling every day to let the home folks know what a live Congressman looks and thinks like. But it would be as unproductive as it would be

fault with that. In addition to getting some first-hand input from his constituents, all of whom aren't great at writing letters venting their spleens when they are displeased with the perceptions of how they are being

ONE THING THAT will be left over when mpaign ends: Houchen and Swift will probably not like each other any better then than they do now. Some of the shoot-fromthe-hip (if not the head) rhetoric has left deep wounds. Neither is likely to send a congratulatory telegram to the other, whoever

Island County is Houchen's "home town." She expects to do well here next Tuesday Maybe even edge Swift, a feat she didn't ac complish in the primary

If she does pull it out here, and she conceivably could because she has many friends and supporters in the Whidbey-Camano fiefdom, she is not expected to do as well in the District's nine other counties. We're sorry could have been ning for the legislature and an almost certain victory. It's the 10th district's loss

SINCE SHE'S NOT running for her old office and since her decision changed everything — including even the remotest chance of escalating to congress — that's the misfortune of Houchen and her founder-

is and there is little argument among those who can objectively evaluate his performance that he should be returned to Washington, D.C. and the House of Representatives for a third term.

THERE WILL BE a loser in the stirring race for judge of the Island County District Court pairing Merle Wilcox and Al Holte, but bas ed on the qualifications of the two candidates (both excellent) it won't be the public However, the candidates represent two contrasting styles and personalities.

One of the major questions in contemplating the race is what makes Holte, a former Snohomish County Superior Court Judge, civic activist, ex-savings and loan ex ecutive, private law practitioner, and variously a city, school and port attorney run (so hard)?

AS HIS CAMPAIGN has progressed from a rather dismal showing in the primaries (he lost to Wilcox, 3682 to 2983) he has gained speed, strength and some rather awesome support. He is the first district judge candidate in history, perhaps, to contain in his ample advertising campaign, letters of endorsement from two United States Senators, Democrat Henry M. Jackson and Republican Slade Gorton. That's heavy!

Forty-three years old, Wilcox is considerably younger than Holte. His legal and judicial experiences eminently qualify him for the judgeship which is being given up by Marvin C. (Buck) Buchanan whose "rein" has been fraught with upheaval and controversy.

WHAT BOTHERS some in considering Holte, now a resident of Greenbank, is his own admission that he may be motivated by considerations other than the district court position as he seeks election.

judgeship in Snohomish County several

years ago to join Everett-based Pioneer Savings and Loan it left a five year gap which would entitle him to a full retirement awarded judges who serve the qualifying number of years. There are those who feel it is not the public's duty to re-install him in the local

judgeship merely to assist him to that goal. It is also said that he would run for a superior court judge position in Island County should it open up at a later date. That, of course, would be the job held since 1971 by Howard A. Patrick who is up for reelection in 1984 if he chooses to run again. Patrick is silent on that point, believing it should have no bearing on the district judges

WHILE WILCOX has campaigned door-todoor throughout the judicial district which includes Whidbey and Camano islands, he has had a limited amount of money with which to press his case for the job. Holte has not seemed to lack for resources to wage an expensive bid for the judgeship in the media.

By way of contrast, the 62-year-old Holte comes across as a dapper, smooth, poised and articulate candidate. Wilcox is plainer in appearance, but with a mind that is stuffed with ideas on what he would do to restore the reputation and dignity of the court which has run downhill as a result of oft-reported events which kept things pretty much in a turmoil. These thorny issues have nothing to do with either Wilcox or Holte, both of whom are pledged to put the pieces back together - whichever one emerges as the winner

BOTH HAVE POSITIVE feelings about punishment for those cited for Driving While Intoxicated (DWI). There is a growing number of citizens who support a cracking down on drivers who take to the road after excessive

In an article "profiling" the two candidates appearing in the Oct. 27 Whidbey News-Times there was an in-depth detailing of their respective qualifications and views. Either one will fill the bill, we are confident of that. But on the basis of some intangibles, the cer tainty that Wilcox is in it for the full four year term with no aspirations to use the job as a stepping stone to higher judicial office, he would appear to be a defensible choice for

Regarding Holte, he was appointed a Superior Court Judge in 1967 and was reelected to a full term later on. He moved to Greenbank in 1980. Since then he has served as judge pro tem in the district court to which he seeks election and presently he is

His principal initial objective if elected will be to restore administrative order and system to the court. His experiences would seem to make the pledge more than campaign

WHOEVER WINS next Tuesday, Wilcox or Holte, the public can rest assured that a capable man is taking over. That is good news since more than one race throughout the county, district and state that, unfor-

Vote 'yes' for man who has everything

WHAT DO YOU give in the way of support to the man who has everything? Who holds just about every card in the political deck? If it's Sen. Henry M. (Scoop) Jackson maybe just a few simple words. Like "good "have a nice day" (as they await the confirmation of another Jackson landslide

Jackson:

What little bit of advice would you give him? The man who may win re-election by 500,000 votes or more? You've already said in an early editorial to take extreme care on the "nuke issue." His personal answer was that he would. Whatever that can optimistical-

ly be taken to mean I did tell him personally that I liked the pullover sweaters he wore when he was up on Lopez luxuriating on one of the beaches there with Helen and the kids.

I TOLD HIM I liked the other one he wore when he stared directly into the television era with his glacial Nordic eyes and told that Mr. Watt that Washington (state) wasn't

Primary Winner.

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I was a little depressed that whatever portion of his alleged \$2,000,000 re-election war chest he spent, not a dime of advertis ing trickled down to the Whidbey News-Times, Whidbey Today or the South Whidbey

I contemplated for one contentious moment rewarding him in kind. Contributing to his candidacy the same amount of space that he had purchased in our striving newspapers.

On second thought, no, it would be unfair It would be vindictive. And besides it protects our amateur standing. No money changed hands, under or above the table, to win our endorsement over Republican opponent Doug Jewett. Not even a drip, tricklespeaking. We are as chaste as a convent

AGONIZING OVER some editorial profundity that would advance Jackson's candidacy

most powerful solons in Washington, D.C. and literally a candidate for sainthood in his home state, is almost wasted motion. An unnecessary drain on what supportive powers we have left after several months of seeking out the ambergris of truth in the 1982 election. In pursuit of the Holy Grail of politics and its custodian.

Sen. Jackson needs the backing of the Whidbey News-Times and allied publication about as much as he needs a ballot box stuffer in Waitsburg to show his strength among vetch growers.

All that notwithstanding, we feel sorry for Doug Jewett, a nice young man with some outstanding qualifications, and for King (Sled Dog) Lysen, who has been barking at Scoop's heels like a Chihuahua with a hope of provoking the debate that would turn the election's tide. His success rate has been zip. Even though he has been close enough at times to have bitten him with a full com plement of TV cameramen to record it

SO THERE THE two of them are (Jessie Chaing faced cruel reality a couple weeks ago and threw in the towel) selected by fickle fate to be the next in a line of under-financed, under-exposed, under-armed challengers who will be devoured by the Jackson cam paign machine.

Many have been through its revolving blades. Few have emerged to tell about it. Remember Harry P. Cane, the first Jackson victim, and an incumbent at that. Who will EVER forget "Big Bill" Bantz? Was he an eastern Washington sheepherder or

THEN THERE IS the most lamentable casualty of them all. Around 1970 - or was it '74 — innermost members of the GOP "ruling clicque" talked State Senator Charley Elicker into taking a stab at it. His secured place in history is that that really tremendous guy with all the political smarts in the world was absolutely eaten alive - Panama hat. Mexican sandals, campaign buttons, Theodore Roosevelt-like mustache, shorts Phi Beta Kappa pin and all.

Never had one so undeserving of so ignominous a political end come along like Elicker. Remember him? Sure you do. He was the extravagantly colorful, superbly qualified, awesomely-intelligent senator who

legislative district (dubbed the Tidewater 10th because of its endless miles of shoreline) included North Kitsap, Bainbridge, Island County and a couple of other insular

LIKE OLD SOLDIER MacArthur, he didn't fade away. He was too young for that. He just disappeared, never to surface again in the political swim for which he was born and in which he excelled. The memory is of a special man who is only recalled (not by name) but by the horrendous 77 percent whipping Jackson laid to him. It was humiliating enough to lose. It was even more humiliating to be remembered as a statistic. Not as a human being THE BIGGEST QUESTION is at just what

time Jewett or Lysen will concede. There is an office pool and I have signed for an announcement at 8:01 — one minute after the polls close and the first precinct reports in Curlew or some place like that in upper northeast Washington. Sorry about that fellows. Better luck next

To Scoop Jackson: "Have another nice six measly ad. And LOVED those sweaters!

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After Tuesday, GOP will be Gone Old Party

Well, Republicans, I think you've

Unless there is some kind of a turnaround and darn quick, it certainly appears to me as if the GOP is going to stand for Gone Old Party in Novem-

Oh, the Joel Pritchards and the Sid Morrisons will make it back to Congress, I don't doubt that, but the bloom has gone from the rose as far as many of the rest of the party's candidates are concerned, at least in this

I don't think it's just the economy. I think the people feel betrayed. They really, honestly thought that when they elected all those toughtalking, no-nonsense Republicans, that they were gaining some folks who would get a handle on government spending and provide a little tax relief at the same time.

The worst thing that could have happened to the Republicans in Washington state was their winning control of the House and Senate when

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The Republicans are absolutely right when they say they inherited a bloated budget, courtesy of the previous long reign of the Democrats

And they couldn't have had a worse chief executive to deal with during such a crisis as the deepening recession than John Spellman, who's good for about two decisions a year and, when he isn't off traveling, is busy stroking labor and higher education forces as if they were going to co-chair his re-election campaign.

Republican legislative leaders must share with the vacillating Spellman, however, the blame for letting the deficits build until they were so out of hand that emergency action had to be taken in the way of tax increases

They knew what was coming, but they didn't push it because they wanted to get through the November 1981 election first. Well, they did, and retained control of the Senate, but the consequences, having to raise taxes to fill the hole, may be loss of that control this November.

They could even lose the House Democrats have been out scouting candidates almost since Peter von Reichbauer crossed the aisle, they're that anxious to get back the power and



percs that they had yanked from them. So when this election rolled around they were ready, I mean really ready, even as some of the best Republican officeholders were deciding to bag it

and return to private life. It's too bad. There are some very good and dedicated Republicans who are going to go down the tube because they happened to be in the emergency room when the plane crashed, and drastic steps were needed to avoid

But how do they explain that to a constituency weary of the promises of politicians? I don't know

But whoever wins control is going to have a giant hole to fill if the sales tax on food is repealed by November voters, and an even bigger one if and when all recent tax increases expire in

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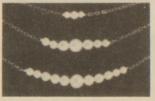
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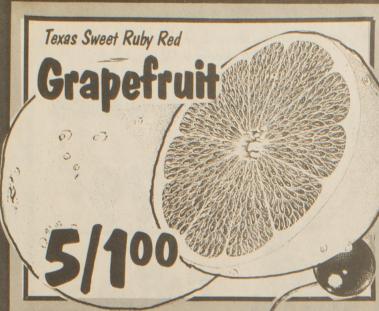


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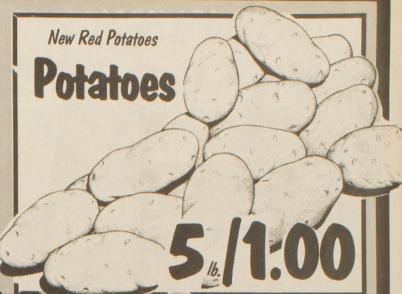
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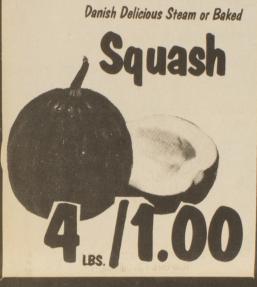
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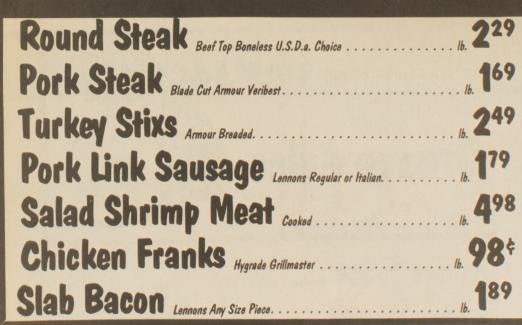
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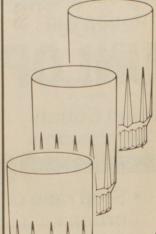
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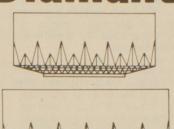


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Storms hitting the Cascade Mountains during the last week of October are expected to move elk herds down to lower ground just in time for the season openers in early November. The Westside season opens on Nov. 6 and runs through the 16th; a few restricted areas will have exceptions to these dates, and hunters should check the game regulations to be sure they comply with all requirements

Hunters with Colockum tags had fair weather for the opener Oct. 25. This may have produced easy access to hunting areas and an extra measure of physical comfort, but it permitted the herds to remain scattered in relatively high country. The success rate of Coluckum hunters has

One way to increase the chances of filling a tag is to put together a small and join forces with a professional outfitter. There are several advantages to such an arrangement, not the least of which is a higher percentage of filled tags.

One such service, Alpine Guides and Outfitters, is run by Whidbey Islander P.A. Wallace. During the hunting season Wallace operates out of Mazama and arranges short trips from his lodge or longer pack trips into the Peysayten Wilderness on horseback

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More information is available by calling Wallace at 675-6285 or (509)

Duck action on the Skagit Flats is likely to pick up in the next few weeks as birds move down from the north Grain is plentiful, and fair numbers of birds are now flying in the Skagit area but at heights that are out of most shooters' range

Safe and successful hunting on the Skagit Flats requires close attention to tide conditions, and as a service to hunters we are offering at no charge the tide graph calendar published by Evergreen Pacific.

It is an excellent reference which allows hunters to predict in advance the combination of time and tide that will provide the best chance of success on any given day as well as showing graphically when the tide conditions will become unsafe

The Island Sportsman

Information in the Island Sportsman is provided by Steve Lock of Island Sports, which is located at 1416 Midway Boulevard in Oak Harbon

Wearing an inflatable sporting vest is a good precautionary measure for duck hunters who will be either on the water in a boat or in the water wearing waders. The vests are light and they are not bulky unless the pin is pulled to activate the CO2 cartridge which inflates them.

Although these vests are not a substitute for Coast Guard-approved personal flotation devices, their buoyancy can be a life saver to the hunter whose waders suddenly fill with water or whose boat accidentally

The Washington State Department of Game has issued a warning to dog owners reminding them of the danger posed by blue-green algae in eastern Washington. This algae looks like bluish-green latex paint spread on top of the water.

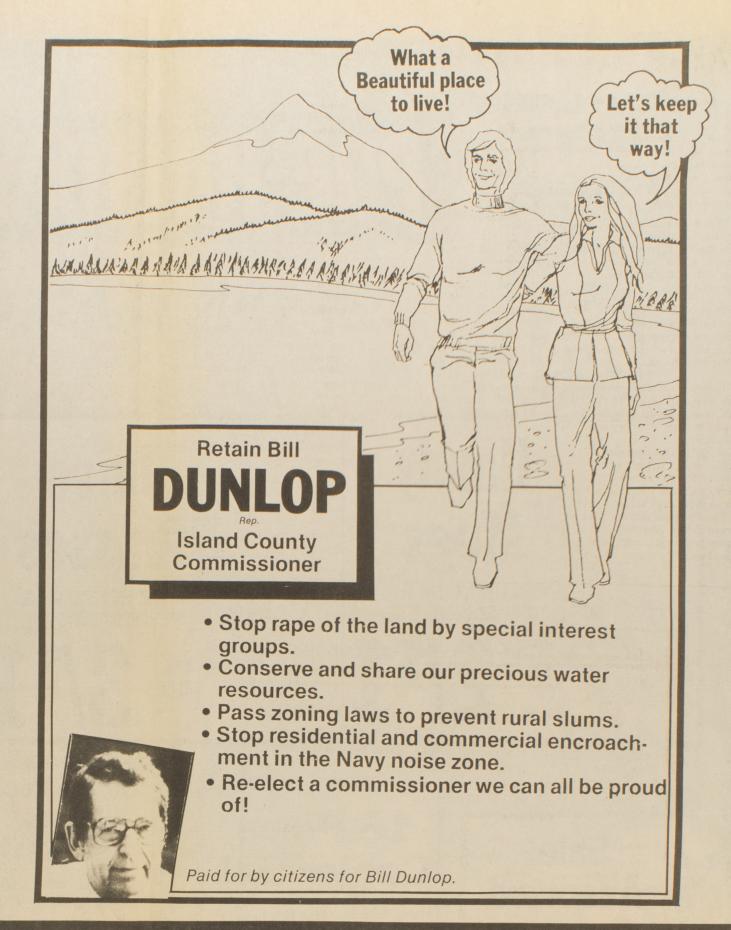
While the poisoning from this algae can result in death, the degree of its effect depends on the individual animal and the amount of water it drinks. The Department of Game recommends that dogs owners carry safe drinking water for themselves and their animals

If the number and size of blackmouth shakers being caught at this time is any indication of what this winter's fishing will be like, Whidbey Islanders could be in for a good

Many fishermen on the inside are catching and releasing upwards of 15 shakers per trip, many of them running between 18 and 20 inches long. These under-sized blackmouths are going for strip rigs, squid, and various

Local salmon fishermen are hoping for a measurable size increase for these fish within the next few months





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I was in a hurry, you see, to clear an area for the planting of a fine young pine I had aquired. The root ball was getting loose and dry and it needed to be in the ground.

The work was hot. I paused for a moment and wiped the persperation from my eyes with the swipe of an arm, an arm on which stood a big black hornet.

The sight must have snapped my mind out of a sort of noisefatigue shut-down because I suddenly realised the air was full of hornets.

A quick glance about was sufficient to trigger panic. Not two feet from my face, on the very bush I had been attacking, was a very large hornet's nest.

The communications link between brain and feet, at such times, operates with amazing speed and efficiency.

The World Outside

by Don Woodcock

Within seconds I had somehow managed to stumble out from amongst the rubble, chain saw still in hand. It was stopped and I set it down. I don't remember switching it off.

Down the path I fled, spurred on by the anticipation of multiple fiery stings certain to strike momentarily. But as I cleared the bush and burst into open ground the stings did not materialize. I slowed, and looked back.

Apparently, I had given the beggars the slip because there were no hornets in sight.

Just how I managed to escape the wrath of those notoriously bad-tempered paper makers without a single sting I'm not sure, But I think my very closeness to the nest gave me an initial

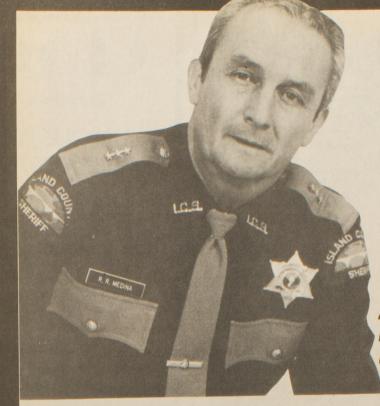
I can think of numerous occasions when the person closest to a disturbed nest was overlooked while the enraged beasties attacked someone standing twenty or thirty feet away.

I remember one encounter where I threw a piece of gear onto shore from the canoe and it landed under a hornet's nest. I was stung three or four times as I sat off-shore and tried to snag the item with a fishing rod, but was allowed to crawl unmolested through the brush right to the nest, retrieve the article, and retreat the same way.

Now do not go stomping right up to the next hornet's nest

I'm only talking about a theory here - a theory my cousin once tested by lifting the lid off a bee hive. The inhabitants promptly closed both his eyes and grossly fattened his lips while I, several yards away, only got stung a few hundred times.

It's possible that was the exception that proves the rule but ever since my personal rule has not changed - if bees or wasps or hornets are met on their ground, Run Like Hell.



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At the bottom is a helping hand. The hand symbolizes the services and programs supported by the United Way that in turn support the people in our com-



The image in the center, based on the universal symbol of mankind, is cradled by the helping hand. It shows that all people are supported and uplifted by United



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