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VCC meets with  B.C. TEL



College Principal Tony Manera and the College Administrative Board met recently with senior executives of B.C. Tel. B.C. Tel Chairman, Gordon MacFarlane and Frank Tucker, Vice-president, Personnel and Labour

Relations, were brought up-to-date on the capabilities of V.C.C. and the programs that may be of interest to them for on-campus recruiting. The potential for developing courses specifically for B.C. Tel employees was also

discussed. The meeting, held at the Villa Hotel, was the first of a series of meetings being initiated by Mr. Manera to establish and improve communication links between the College and business and industry leaders. Pictured is Mr. Manera, Mr. MacFarlane and Mr. Tucker.



# Continuing Education Grad

Eric Hamber Centre was the scene June 27 for the graduation ceremonies of over 200 students enrolled in Continuing Education certificate programs.

The evening opened with remarks by Tom Kelly, head instructor of Business Administration at Hamber, welcoming the guests, graduates and their friends. Following the opening remarks, College Council Chairman J. C. Melvin Scott addressed the crowd saying one of the great pleasures of being on the college board, is being able to attend occasions such as the graduation tonight. He told the graduates that he hoped they had benefited from the educational experience they received from V.C.C. and then wished them all good luck for the future.

The salute to the graduates was presented by our own principal Tony Manera, who was attending his first C.E. graduation ceremonies. He told the crowd Canada Week makes everyone think about challenges that face all of us as Canadians. He said that although our grandparents had the security of knowing things would

remain relatively the same for them, we no longer are sure that skills we have learned today will be useful tomorrow. This can be quite frustrating, he said. Mr. Manera urged the graduates to take advantage of the opportunities that present themselves and make good use of them.

"The way to better prepare yourself to deal with opportunities is through further education. This is why you are being honored tonight. Because you made time available to take educational courses to better your life a little richer and more productive, then it has been worth it," said Mr. Manera.

The Principal of Continuing Education Alf Glenesk, offered his congratulations to the graduates then introduced special guest speaker George M. Tidball, president of the Keg and Cleaver Restaurant chain.

Tidball spoke to the graduates about success and how it means different things to different people. One measure of success, he said, is the program you've just completed. "Your definition of success will also change from time to time, but the fur-

ther you can think ahead, the better you will be able to achieve success," he said.

"Success requires a lot of damn hard work. Nothing happens without hard work," he said, "and there's no point in dreaming of areas you don't have the capabilities for." Tidball told the graduates that success cannot be measured in dollars and cents. "Success isn't money. Gaining wisdom helps us get success, but you don't get it out of a book," he said. "It is an acquired art not a learned one."

"Education is only a partial answer in obtaining wisdom. People should take every experience and get something out of it, even if it is a failure. Failures sometimes teach you a lot more than successes," he said.

Tidball said that in his estimation people who don't grow old are people who are continuing to acquire wisdom. Success, he says, depends on guts and being a risk taker. "You have all been risk takers," he told the graduates, "by giving up something to acquire something more. You can't be a spectator in life, you must be a participant. Success requires you to

get off your ass and get going." In closing Tidball said one of the most important things to remember is you must enjoy what you do and be really happy with it. "People from all walks of life can find success if they enjoy whatever they do. If you can look into a mirror and say you've grabbed all the opportunities and experiences that have come your way and have continued to grow, but have also enjoyed yourself along the way, then that is success."

Mr. G. Stephenson, an instructor in the Business Administration program, then presented the graduates from the following certificate programs: accounting, business administration (general), communications, managerial supervision, marketing management, occupational counselling, office management, sales management, small business management, police administration, pre-school teacher training, electronics technical program and technical drafting program.

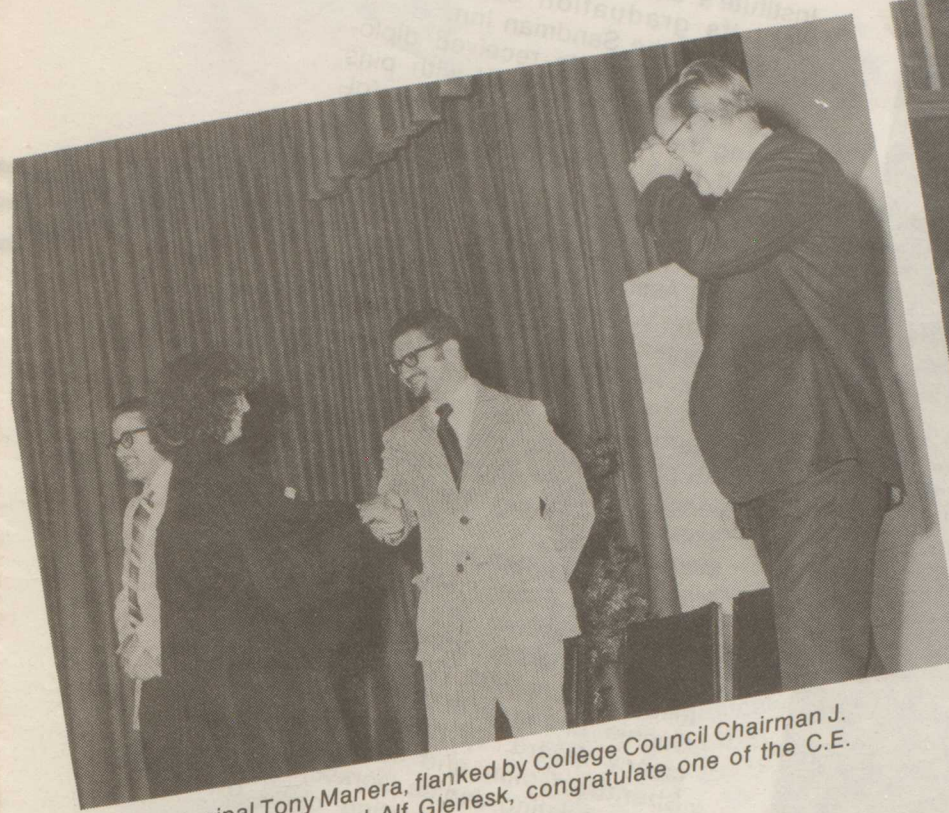
The ceremonies concluded with refreshments served in the cafeteria.



George M. Tidball addresses the graduates.



Hamber's Auditorium had a full house for the graduation ceremonies.



V.C.C. Principal Tony Manera, flanked by College Council Chairman J. C. Melvin Scott, left, and Alf Glenesk, congratulate one of the C.E. Graduates.



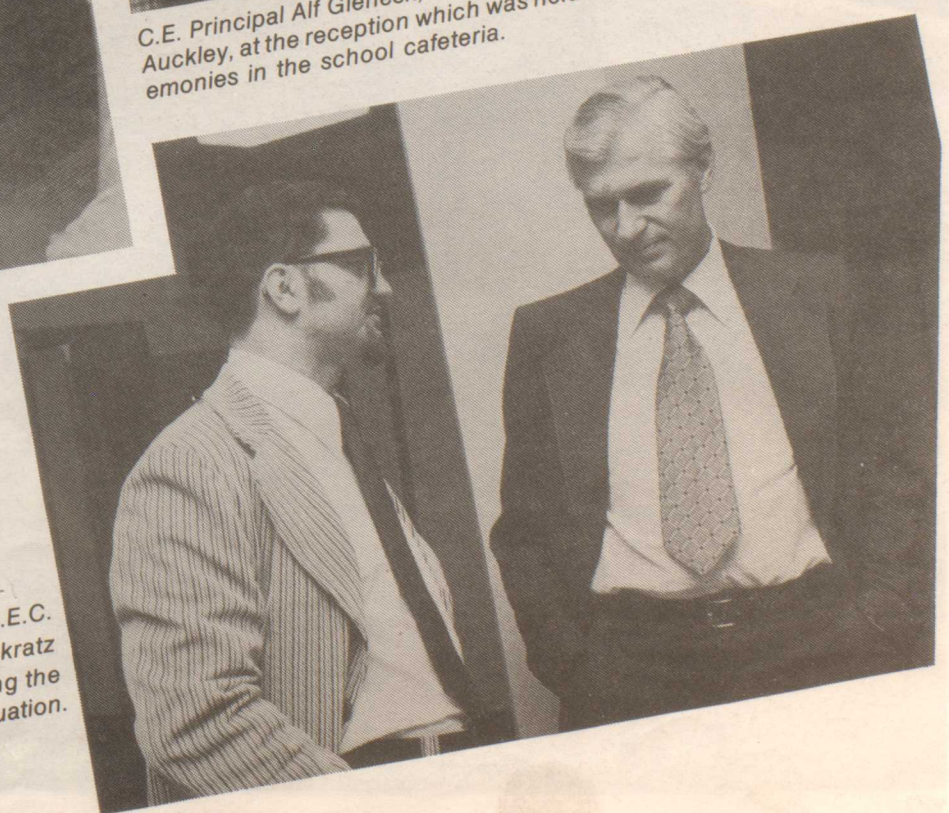
Platform party and guests gather in the cafeteria following the graduation.



Mr. G. Stephenson presents the graduates to the platform party and invited guests.



C.E. Principal Alf Glenesk, left, chats with Tom Kelly and Dr. Geoffrey Auckley, at the reception which was held following the graduation ceremonies in the school cafeteria.



Tony Manera chats with K.E.C. Principal Harry Pankratz following the graduation.



# Vancouver Vocational Institute



The Vancouver Vocational Institute's Dental Assisting program held its graduation ceremonies recently in the Sandman Inn.

Over 40 students received diplomas and were presented with pins following the ceremony, which was followed by a reception in the James Findlay Ballroom.

Guest speaker was Myrna Breikas, R.D.H., who is an instructor in the Dental Assisting Program at Douglas College. V.V.I. Principal Jake McInnis presented the certificates to the graduates, while Shendra Collin, department head of the Dental Auxiliary Department awarded the pins.

In photographs: top left, instructor Denise Rogers congratulates Sandy Sinser on winning the Ian McLeod Memorial Trophy for the best oral hygiene presentation (good in dealing with the public). Middle, Dr. Dale Barcket presents the Radiography Award to Chantelle Laurin. Bottom left, instructor Laurette Rogers presents Connie Leung with the Clinic Efficiency Award. Pictured below are Shendra Collin and Jake McInnis congratulating Janice Dorksen. Bottom, the 15th graduating class of Dental Assistants.



Grad

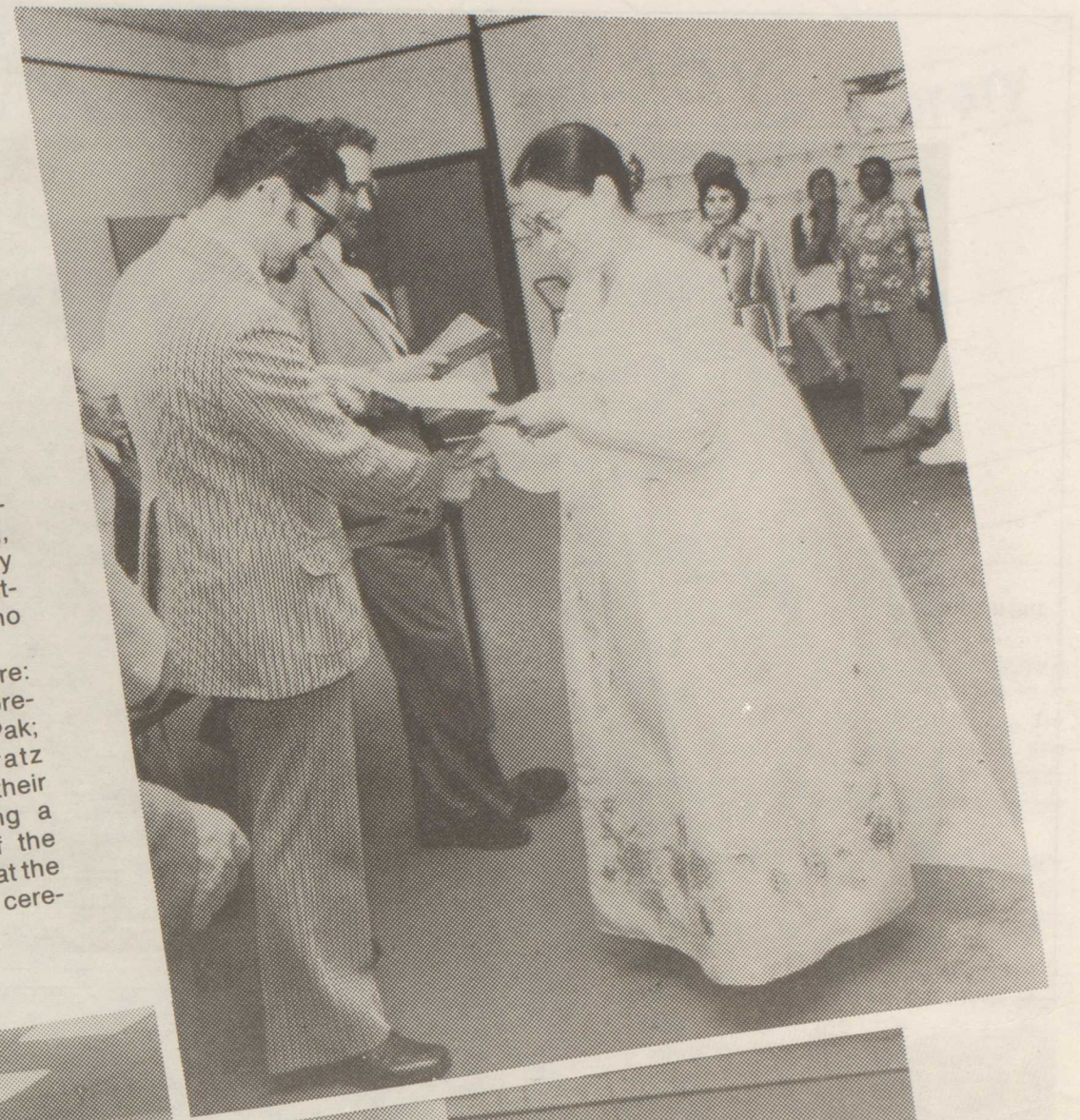
# King Edward Campus

King Edward Campus held a special graduation June 30 featuring all three of its divisions.

It was the first time the divisions have held a combined grad ceremony.

Over 80 students received certificates during the graduation which brought together the following programs: English Language Training, College Foundations, Community and Family Aide, Pharmacy Assistants, Homemakers and the Kitsilano Workshop Life Skills Program.

Pictured in the photographs are: V.C.C. Principal Tony Manera presenting a certificate to Ki Hee Pak; K.E.C. Principal Harry Pankratz addressing the graduates and their guests, and Mr. Manera cutting a huge cake, baked in honor of the graduates, which was given out at the reception following the grad ceremony.



Grad



## V.C.C. honors retiring personnel



The retirement dinner for V.C.C. personnel was held recently in the Hyatt Regency Hotel.

Attending the party were retirees Mrs. K. M. Gracey, an instructor at K.E.C., who is retiring August 31, after 10 years; Mrs. W. Hutchings, also from K.E.C., retiring after four years as an instructor and 27 years as support staff at the Vancouver School Board; Mr. H. Ghislieri, a V.V.I. instructor, retiring after six and one-half years, and Mr. J. D. Taylor, who will be retiring December of this year, after 29 years at the V.V.I.

Among those in attendance to pay respects to the retirees were College Council Chairman J. C. Melvin Scott; V.C.C. Principal Tony Manera; V.V.I. Principal Jake McInnis, and K.E.C. Principal Harry Pankratz.

Other V.C.C. people who retired this year are: Mrs. M. Kowin, who retired July 21, 1977, after 13 years at the V.V.I.; Mr. R. B. McCarthy, who left the V.V.I. February 20, 1978 after 29 years, and Mrs. I. M. Beach from Langara, who retired in February after two years.

Pictured at the retirement dinner are from left, Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Gracey, Mrs. W. Hutchings, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Taylor and Mr. H. Ghislieri.



## Music students participate in Y.E.P.



You have to say this for them — they've got spirit and a lot of style. It's not everyone who can stand in front of an unresponsive audience and give it their best. But they have tried.

They — a Chamber Music Ensemble comprised of four V.C.C. music students, have been participating along with six other students, in the B.C. Government's Youth Employment Program. As a result of the funding, the students have performed over 200 free concerts in the past couple of months, in Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island community centres, schools, hospitals and senior citizen's residences.

Although the response is sometimes meager and the atmosphere some what less than animated, the students do get the satisfaction of performing the music they love and getting paid for it. And if they can bring pleasure and enjoyment to even a few people, who, because of circumstances cannot get out and enjoy a live concert, then the rewards are even greater, said the group.

The Chamber Ensemble is composed of pianist Michael Creber, flutist Beverly Chiu, cellist Eric Doolittle and Karen Rustad, oboe and recorder. Creber is a full-time music student majoring in piano and was the first winner of the Hot Jazz Scholarship, presented to the outstanding student in the jazz and commercial program. Chiu graduated this year from the Advanced Performance program and since last February has been working at St. George's Private School teaching flute to four students privately once a week. Rustad has been playing the oboe for five years and has been involved in various chamber groups and has played with the Vancouver Philharmonic Orchestra. During her last term at V.C.C. she was awarded the outstanding student award. Doolittle, who is from U.B.C., replaced V.C.C. music student Jocelyn Geidt, as the cellist.

Jerry Domer, head of the Music Department, is enthusiastic about what the students are doing but says many students find it tough playing in hospitals and senior citizen residences because of the lacklustre response. It's fine as long as your ego

doesn't get in the way, said Domer.

On Wednesday, June 28, the Chamber Group arrived to play in the Veterans Lounge at Shaughnessy Hospital. The reception they received was varied depending on the music presented. After a few chamber pieces, the true lovers of music settled back in their chairs for the concert. Others slowly started to drift or wheel themselves out of the lounge, accompanied by the strains of the cello, flute, oboe and piano. The room slowly emptied but the group played on.

After a short time the room started to fill once more, as more people heard the music and rolled themselves into position in front of the four musicians. Michael Creber told the audience that instead of chamber music, he wanted to play something he hoped they would all know — Nola. They did and the response was immediate. Following the group's performance, a frail old lady who had come in halfway through the concert, called out to Michael. "I really liked that piece you played. You know that one Nola. That was real good." Despite a slow start, the group was well received by the patients.

The musicians agreed that, on the whole, it had been an average reception from the people — some have been better and others much worse, they said. Schools are the best places to play in, but some senior citizen residences are also great, said one member. Another agreed with this saying, in general the elementary schools have been fun to play at, but this also depends on the atmosphere.

"We found it very hard to play well at certain places," said the group. "Sometimes when a piece wasn't going well, we even found ourselves saying, who cares, nobody is listening anyway. I think we all thought it would be better for our playing than it turned out to be. But then there were the other times. The good ones, when everything clicked. These were the times when we were glad we were doing what we were and so were the audience," they said.

"It has been an experience for all of us, but a good one, or at least a learning one," they said.

## V.C.C. Library Services joins library network

By Ross Carter, V.C.C. Librarian

Vancouver Community College's Library Service is participating in a group of projects supported by the Ministry of Education which are aimed at improving access to library materials and information for the college's students.

These projects all support library resource sharing and involve all of the post-secondary libraries in the province.

First, an inter-library loan service has been developed which gives students access to the university collections. If books or periodicals are not available in any of the Vancouver Community College libraries students may, through their campus library, request books or periodical articles from a university library or from B.C.I.T. Since September, 1977, almost 1,000 items have been requested. Approximately 60 percent of these requests were for periodical articles not owned by the college. The rest were for books not available in the college libraries. Requests are sent to the lending library by telex. Courier service delivers and returns requested items.

Second, the college libraries are participating, as was noted in a recent issue of *Intercom*, in a computer cataloguing project with a number of other college and university libraries. The object of this to build a union catalogue which will allow all participating libraries to identify readily the titles and subjects in each other's collections. This union catalogue will support more efficient and effective library resource sharing and inter-library loan procedures.

Six post-secondary libraries are presently contributing to the union catalogue — B.C.I.T., Douglas College, Simon Fraser University, University of B.C., University of Victoria and V.C.C. A data base and computer programs developed by the University of Toronto Library are being utilized to create the catalogue. At the same time V.C.C. libraries will convert their manual card catalogues to computer produced microfiche catalogues. This conversion is expected to stabilize rising cataloguing costs by eliminating some labor intensive processes in cataloguing.

Finally a project to develop further college library resources throughout the province has begun. A project to list the core of basic library resources in the various programs and subject areas was initiated last year. A series of recommendations for upgrading college libraries were made to the Ministry of Education.

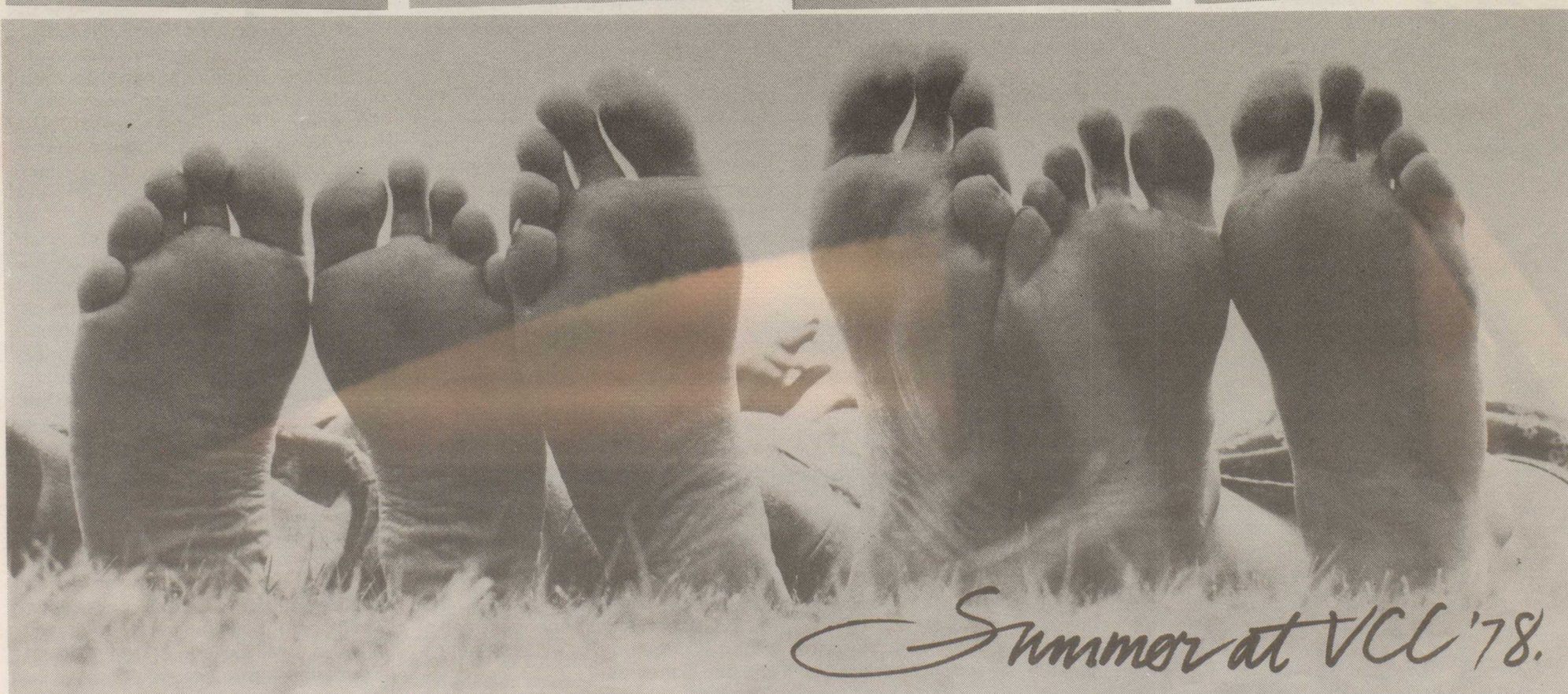
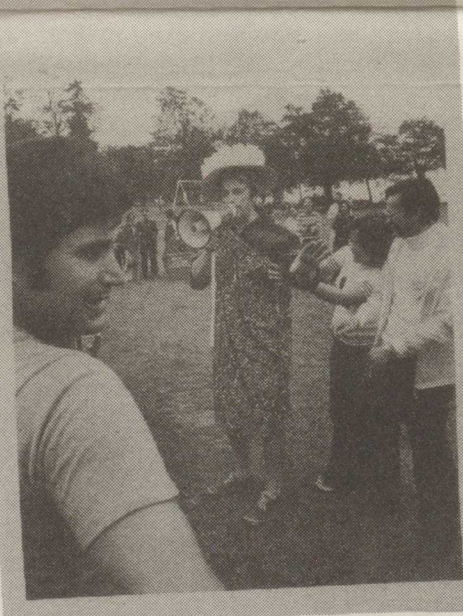
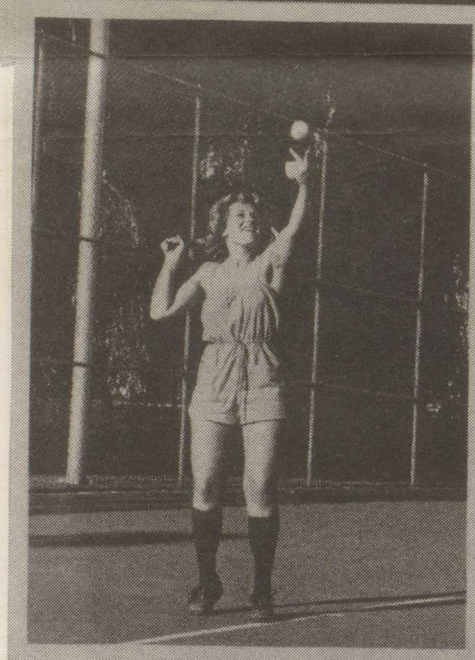
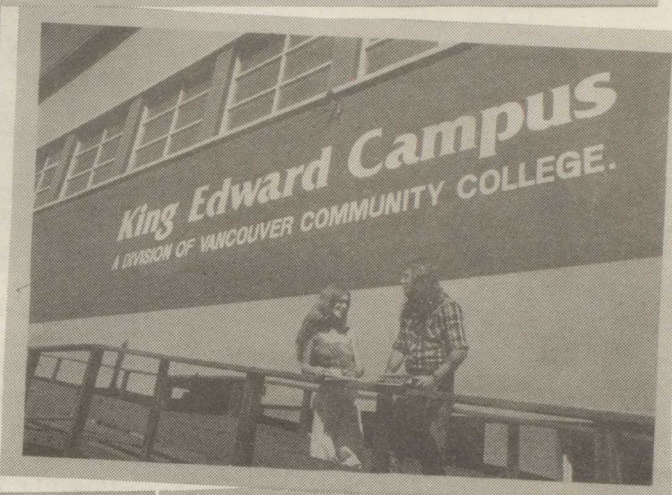
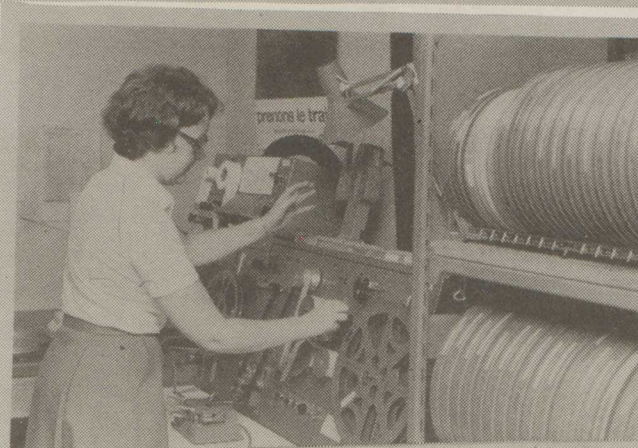
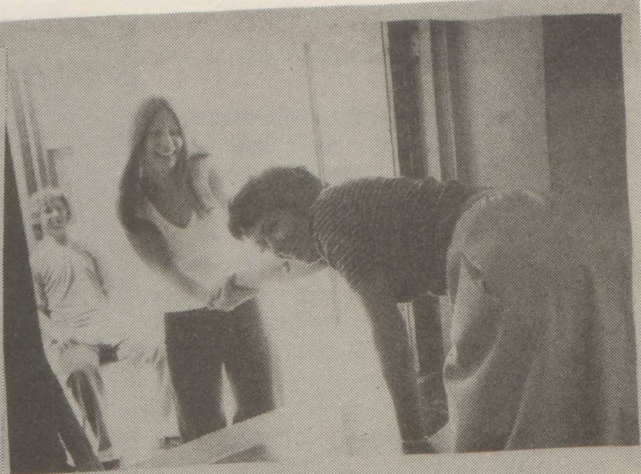
Especially in need of assistance were some of the newest colleges. Vancouver Community College has participated in identifying those library collections areas that require further resources. These will better provide for the needs of the students. Implementation of these collections development recommendations will have to await college and Ministry of Education approval.



## E.L.T. sports day — a success

The English Language Training Department (Manpower sponsored) at King Edward Campus held a sports day last month at Cepperley Park to give the students a first-hand look at the Canadian custom of sports days. A picnic rounded-off the day, after a full schedule of sports events.





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