

# KING EDWARD TIMES

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## PLAY BALL!!

The schedule for the King Ed Softball Team  
is as follows:

### TUESDAY, July 21 - 6:00 p.m.

Churchill Secondary School  
57th and Heather (E. of Oak St.)  
N.W. Diamond

King Ed vs City Hall Planning Dept.

### TUESDAY, July 28 - 6:00 p.m.

Churchill Secondary School  
57th and Heather  
N.W. Diamond

King Ed vs School Board

### THURSDAY, August 6 - 6:00 p.m.

Kingsington Park  
33rd and Knight St.  
N.W. Diamond

King Ed vs City Works Yard "Stanley Breakers"

### TUESDAY, August 11 - 6:00 p.m.

Churchill Secondary School  
57th and Heather

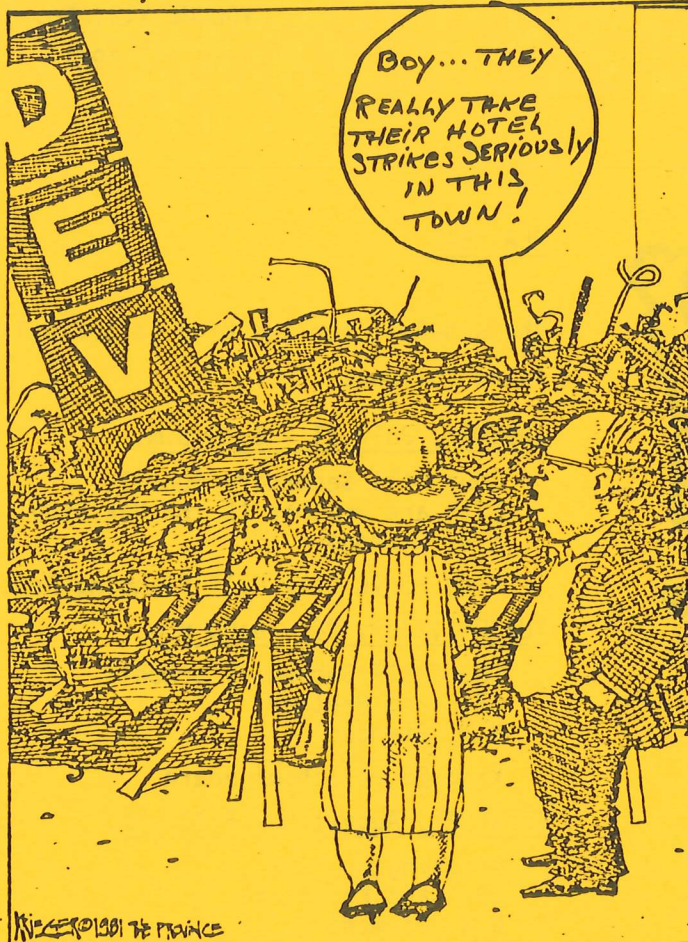
### SATURDAY, August 22 and SUNDAY, August 23

TOURNAMENT - details to follow

Any employees who are members of the V.M.R.E.U. are invited to play at  
any of these games. If you are interested, please contact Roger Lambert  
at 731-4614 local 61.

Steve Baker

IT'S 'DEVONSTATING'!



VACATION

I'll be off campus for three days next week - Wednesday, Thursday and Friday - for a brief holiday. Dean J.D. Brown will act on my behalf while I'm away.

H.E.P.

# You can take a hint — take it away

## BILL SHIELDS

*... Vancouver freelance writer, who extends his apologies to Nicole Patton*

**W**HY ARE YOU washing my socks in scotch? I asked my wife the other day. "I'm not exactly washing them in scotch," she said. "It's a mixture. Four ounces of scotch to a gallon of water. It keeps them soft and eliminates lint."

"At today's prices it would be cheaper just to toss out the socks and buy new ones," I said. "Besides, we were saving that scotch for your mother's visit next week." (The scotch was to keep me sedated during her stay.)

"Where did you get the idea of putting scotch in the laundry water?" I asked.

"In this book I bought. It has all kinds of neat household hints in it."

Sure enough. Somebody has actually published a book of household hints. A whole book, mind you. I never realized there were that many hints (most of them bizarre, as I was to learn).

A glance at the first page gave me a clue to the buttermilk I'd noticed in the cupboard. Sour buttermilk, it seems, is great for shining brass.

"I am going to polish our plaques and bedroom lamps with it as soon as it sours," my wife proclaimed.

"Have you ever smelled sour buttermilk?"

"Well, no."

"Well I have. I wouldn't leave it in the cupboard too long," I said.

Anyway, sour or not, I don't believe

buttermilk will shine brass. Or scotch will do anything for my socks, either. I just don't have that much faith in a book that was obviously written by a nut.

Only a nut could stumble on the "discoveries" that parade themselves clownlike in this strange publication.

A few examples....

Tomatoes look redder and more appetizing after being wrapped in flannel and stored overnight in a fuse box.

Crushed-up cigarette butts will keep ants away from your bookcase.

A saucer of cod-liver oil placed in your refrigerator prevents mildew.

A little birdseed sprinkled in your shoes keeps your feet from perspiring.

String a chain of garlic cloves around your bed and you won't be bothered by silverfish.

Fly paper is nifty for keeping clothespins together. Hung in the living room,

it's ideal for displaying your coin collection to friends. You can spray it with repellent to keep the flies away.

You'll never suffer from ingrown toe nails if you soak your feet in kerosene two or three times a week. (My guess is, that this works because you'll have no toe nails.)

Mouthwash sprayed on oil paintings prevents fading.

Your canary will sing a lot more if you add a drop of vodka to his water. (That one figures.)

Clothes hanging upside down will keep hornets out of your closet.

A keen way to prevent your clothesline from rusting is to wipe it periodically with Maalox. (I presume Digel will work as well. We must be fair about these things.)

For relaxation, sit for 15 minutes in a tub of hot water containing half a shaker of meat tenderizer.

The placing of Limburger cheese on window sills will discourage seagulls from coming into your house.

A couple of drops of iodine in your stew will keep the carrots from rising to the top of the pot. (It's not made clear what the advantage of this is.)

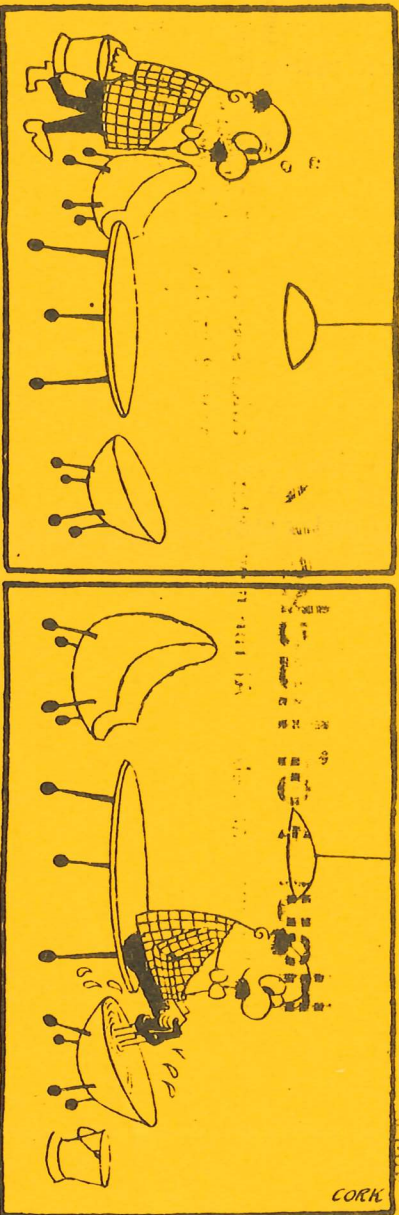
Nasal spray applied to the edges of scatter rugs keeps them from curling.

But enough. I can only hack so much of this at one sitting.

Besides, a man with a truck has just brought me a 20-kilogram bag of alum, which my wife has evidently purchased.

Somewhere in the bowels of this book, I'm afraid, there's an explanation for the alum, and I haven't the stomach right now to confront it. (The smell in the kitchen isn't helping matters either.)

I'm heading for the laundry room to see if there's any scotch left. □



POSITION OPENINGS

V.C.C. Regional Offices requires a Clerk Typist I-II. Closing date for applications is July 22.

V.C.C./V.V.I. requires a Clerk Typist I-II for Power Engineering Correspondence. Closing date for applications is July 23.

V.C.C./V.V.I. requires a Coursewriter II in the Program Development Department. Closing date for applications is July 23.

V.C.C./V.V.I. requires a Program Assistant I in the Business Education Department. Closing date for applications is July 17.

V.C.C./V.V.I. requires a Power Engineering Instructor. Closing date for applications is July 24.

For further details on the above positions, please see postings on bulletin boards.

H.E.P.

TIS A PUZZLEMENT!

The person responsible for this problem wishes to remain anonymous because he hasn't been able to work out the answer himself! If you can do it, he asks that you give your answer to Mary Griffith, who can then publish it in next week's Times.

Over the top of a fence is placed a rope, the same amount on both sides. The rope weighs  $\frac{1}{3}$  lb. per foot. On one end of the rope hangs a monkey holding a banana, and on the other end is a weight equal in weight to the weight of the monkey. The banana weighs 2 oz. per inch. The length of the rope (in feet) is equal to the age of the monkey, and the weight of the monkey (in ounces) is as much as the age of the monkey's mother. The combined ages of the monkey and its mother are 30 years. The weight of the banana plus one half of the weight of the monkey is  $\frac{1}{4}$  as much as the sum of the weights of the weight and the rope, where all weights are in the same units. The monkey's mother is  $\frac{1}{2}$  as old as the monkey will be when it is 3 times as old as its mother was when she was  $\frac{1}{2}$  as old as the monkey will be when it is twice as old as it is now. How long is the banana?