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## Two Points of View

**How Wrong Could I Be**  
(Contributed)

I have been coming to Victoria Beach for some part of the summer ever since 1924. When electricity was proposed I did not care much, one way or the other. I intended to vote for it because so many other people seemed to want it, but I forgot to send in my ballot.

But how mistaken I was! I thought that struggling with the fire in the morning was part of the pleasure of the summer season. True, there is no toast like that made over the wood coals when the fire has reached the perfect stage for toast — a stage at which it will no longer bring the coffee to a boil or make the bacon sizzle in the pan. Or did we think the toast was so good because we had to wait so long for it? These spring week-ends I have been very happy with toast made on a toaster.

I always like an occasional rainy day at the Beach. There was the patter of the rain on the roof, the comforting drip of the rainwater in the tank, the increased fragrance of the trees and the grasses, the pleasant relaxation of tensions built up during a busy winter. But it was dark in the cottage. Now we can turn on a light and read in comfort.

We always boasted that however hot the day, it was always cool at night at Victoria Beach. It was cool. In fact, it was often cold, and sometimes damp. We wore sweaters and socks to bed; we piled on blankets; we woke in the morning stiff from the cold and weary from the weight of the blankets. Now we can turn the switch on the electric blanket and sleep in comfort.

Truly I am grateful to Thomas Edison and the Manitoba Power Commission and to the people who remembered to send in their ballots.

**Childrens' Masquerade, July 13th, 7:00 p.m.  
At The Clubhouse**

Grand March will take place at 7:00 p.m. sharp. There will be first and second prizes for both boys and girls for: Original, Comic, and Fancy Costumes in the following age groups—4 years and under; 5 to 7 years; 8 to 10 years; 11 to 13 years and over.

All prize winners may compete for the prizes for Best in Show — One for boy and one for girl.

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For several years the controversy has raged — should we have electricity at the Beach or should we remain primitive. I was one who felt it would be wonderful to turn a switch for heat, for light and for cooking. I was quite prepared to argue and campaign in favor of Edison's gift to humanity. But how wrong I was!

I argued that a few poles along our avenues would not be unsightly and besides most of the poles would be in the lanes. Have you seen Patricia? What was once a beautiful walk has now been completely ruined, and why are the poles in the lanes somewhat less conspicuous than the bright yellow ones on Arthur and Patricia.

It had not occurred to me that the uncared lane at the back of our cottage gave us an additional great breadth of foliage and gave us also that feeling of isolation from our neighbors which is so desirable. (We have nice back door neighbors but I doubt if they want to see me shaving and I certainly do not want to see them so often.) What was once a beautiful view from our back steps and our rear windows has been completely ruined.

I looked forward to the fast preparation of breakfast. I am scarcely human until I have had my coffee, and what a treat it was going to be to have coffee and toast without waiting for a satisfactory wood fire, often so difficult to achieve.

How wrong could I be?

Certainly the toast and coffee are ready in a hurry, but my teeth are chattering so that I can scarcely swallow. That former struggle with the fire at least kept me active and busy until the cottage was warm enough to sit in comfort over a leisurely breakfast so well earned.

I am now disillusioned and only wish that I had forgotten to send in my ballot in favor of electricity.

All children in costume are admitted free to the masquerade.

Mrs. R. A. Copland, Mrs. W. J. H. Chittick and Mrs. W. Harold Nixon have kindly consented to act as Judges.

Additional canvassers on the job for the membership drive include: Mrs. Murray McLandress, Mrs. J. T. Irving, Mrs. K. J. Annandale.

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**Last Sunday's Church Service**

Rev. Norman Pratt, of Chalmers United Church conducted the opening service of the Victoria Beach Community Church last Sunday.

The Childrens story "The Man in the Stone" told of the famous artist and sculptor, Michael Angelo who, out of a huge block of stone carved a massive sculpture of classical beauty of Moses seated on a giant pedestal. Its perfection attracted the attention of all; who wondered how Angelo knew there was a man inside the stone.

Just as the artist sees more than people, God sees more than man. He sees the Potential, the Possibilities - the Inside. What does God see in us?

In his sermon, Rev. Pratt pointed out that David was disturbed at the thought that he himself dwelt in a palace, while the Ark of the Lord was housed in a tent. When he consulted Nathan to have the Ark housed in a lofty temple erected to the Glory of God, Nathan vetoed the idea as the Pagans had used a temple to house their many Gods, and points out that the splendor of ceremony might be spiritually disastrous. God had chosen David and David's household as a dynasty to endure forever.

Lavish spending is not necessarily pleasing to God. The Worship not the place is the important function.

God's abiding place is in the heart and soul of man - humble - contrite - pure; moulded in His Temple and dedicated to His Service.

Mrs. Gordon Tully is in charge of the music and is appealing for guest soloists to add to the beauty of the morning service. Mrs. L. F. Borrowman

**Community Church Service**

Club House, Victoria Beach  
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Rev. J. Bruce Johnson will conduct the service this Sunday morning, July 7th at 10:45 a.m.

**Driving To Victoria Beach — Or Are You?**

Many of us who drive to Victoria Beach now recognize every curve and every turn and can dodge most of the bumps.

We know the road, but it must be very difficult for those driving the first time.

How about some signs to reassure those people that they really are on the way to Victoria Beach. At the Grand Beach junction, there is a sign that announces "Hillside" — but none to say Victoria Beach.

At least one sign along the road might say 5 or 8 or 8 miles to Victoria Beach. This would give some assurance to the inexperienced driver. And at the corner where the road takes the last turn to the parking lot there should be a sign. True the better road does turn west, but there is also a reasonably good road continuing north, and at least one visitor has gone down that road to the end.

We need a few road signs enroute to the Beach.

A wedding dance was held at the Legion Hall Saturday evening when Earl Olafson of Victoria Beach was honored with his bride, Patay Danwich, of Traverse Bay. A hundred guests attended.

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Miss Sharon Hunter and Miss Sheilagh Reid were guests of Miss Janet Gibson at the family cottage—304 Third Avenue last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Pope and son Billy, opened their cottage on Sunset last week-end for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Taylor will occupy Mayor Henry Gibson's cottage at 304 Third Avenue for the next two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. William McBean and Richard spent the long week-end guests of Mrs. Dorothy Garbutt 307 Fourth Avenue.

Dr. and Mrs. Athol Gordon were guests of Ted Blanchard's last week-end. They thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity of painting landscapes while in the Beach area.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Verity have arrived from Schofield Wisconsin, to spend the summer at their cottage at 202 Eighth Ave. They had as their guest for the long week-end, Miss Gladys Adams, of Winnipeg.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Backhouse and family, are spending three weeks vacation at Victoria Beach, staying at Mrs. Woods' Cottage, on Birch Avenue.

Week-end guests of Mr. Sam Clapham, 8th Ave., were his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Clapham and family.

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Mr. and Mrs. Herb Best and family will spend a two week vacation at this beautiful summer resort. This is their first visit here, and we hope it will not be their last.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Adams arrived July 6, to spend their vacation. They will be staying at the cottage of Mrs. T. Saul, on 8th Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Jones and family arrived July 6th to spend two weeks' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Giles were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Taunton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Thain and daughter, Cheryl, were week-end guests of the "Parkers" at 330 Third Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Parker are now occupying their cottage at 330 Third Avenue for the season.

Mr. Jack Amundale is enjoying his vacation with the family at their cottage on First Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Bingeman and family are vacationing during July at the Bingeman Sr's cottage on Third Avenue.

The A. D. Robinsons have Miss Wilma Clayton as their house guest.

Dr. and Mrs. W. G. Onions and daughter, Joan, have arrived by motor from Montreal to enjoy again a holiday at their cottage on Sixth Avenue.

Helen and Heather MacDonald of Manotick, Ont., granddaughters of the Frasers on Pine Road are visitors at the Beach for the season.

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### Golf Notes

Despite somewhat adverse weather conditions during the past two weeks the greens were found to be in excellent condition over the week-end and with a cutting or two of the fairways all of our Beach golfers should be quite happy with the condition of the course.

Entry sheets have been posted in the Clubhouse for all those who have the competitive spirit and it is the hope of the Golf Committee that the several events played during the season will attract not only the top-notchers but the beginners too. The Ringer-Board provides a medium for substituting your best holes during the season and ultimately winding up with your lowest score for the 9 holes.

The Fred Porter Trophy is a 36-hole competition on a handicap basis so that every one entering will have a chance at the top prize. 9-hole rounds may be entered so long as the player declares before starting to Mr. Forbes at the desk, that he intends that particular round to be recorded as part of his 36-hole score. Handicaps are set on the basis of the first two 9-hole scores recorded. We are looking forward to a large entry in this event and would like to see every one take part.

Other events including the Ladies' Championship and Long Driving Competition and the Jimmy Grant Memorial Trophy will be played a little later on in the season and announced ahead of time in this column.

### Beach Road

Driving to the Beach last Friday was a perplexing experience. It was a clear, bright, warm day—one of the few free from rain since the Conservative upset of June 11th. Immediately past the Grand Beach junction, the road for miles looked as though a deluge had fallen, but only in the centre section of the road. How could a cloud burst be so long and so narrow?

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had been spread on this section of the road. True it did wonders in preventing clouds of dust as we found out later when we reached the end of the calcium. From there to the Beach we swallowed tons of dust.

But what will the Calcium do to our cars? Must we invest in undercoating for summer travelling to Victoria Beach?

### The Happy Time

Approximately 8000 were at Victoria Beach for the long week-end. Many brought that gay spirit of enjoyment that is crammed into a two-week annual holiday and dodged the short showers to watch baseball, dance, swim, fish. One very small boy caught a five-pound pickerel right at the pier! The happy reaction of strollers to the whiteness of the birches, the greenness of the pines, the lapping music of the waves, was infectious to those of us who stay most of the summer and are apt to take it all for granted.

There were 430 cars in the parking area. No one complained about the short walk or taxi-ride to the cottages. The usual safety for the children, quietness, and lack of dust more than compensated. Those responsible for the roads were glad traffic was not admitted on the winding water-soaked avenue and roads. They reported that the roads would have been cut beyond repair. Only well graded and graded roads could have born this load of traffic. What added burden this could be for the

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Resorters enjoyed the improved highway, especially the Beausejour cut-off between Highways 1 and 22. Brand new cushiony black-top! Cottages were illuminated, electrically, on every avenue, for the first time. Little electric heaters stole the bleak damp chill, electric stoves gave the lady of the holiday-troupe a chance to be with her family. Added time, energy and comfort for all!

Let's tell everybody to tell everybody that there are no facilities for day tourist picnickers at Victoria Beach. We regret that these tourists must be asked to park outside the resort after driving all the way from Winnipeg, and then be forbidden to light a fire to cook their coffee. But those who own cottages are not permitted to either. Once a cottage is a fire it is seldom saved! The very old-timers made laws against fire-building. The R.C.M.P. sees to it that these laws are enforced. But he'll tell you himself that he is not kept very busy. We are a pretty orderly lot!

### Safety In The Water

Never go swimming alone. Even a good swimmer can get into trouble, and if he is alone there will be no one to aid him or go for help.

Never go swimming at an unguarded spot. The most dangerous are docks, piers, river banks or other unguarded spots.

Never dive into strange water. You don't know what is on the bottom. Slip into the water carefully and explore it before doing any diving.

Don't show-off in the water. Many an innocent prank has had fatal results. Besides being dangerous a show-off is annoying to other swimmers and spoils their fun.

Don't attempt a rescue unless you are a strong swimmer. If you can't swim, you'll do the most good by finding someone who can. Don't swim to a rescue if you can reach the victim with a boat, rope or pole. If you have been exercising or working, be sure

to cool off before plunging into cold water. Cramps result from over exertion or sudden change of temperature.

Don't rock the boat. This is old advice, but it is still sound. Fooling around in a small boat or a canoe is a frequent cause of accidents. If you can't swim, stay out of small boats.

Pay strict attention to all warning signs. They were not put up by busybodies, but by authorities who had your personal safety in mind.

When swimming or rowing with the tide or current keep in mind that it will be "uphill" and twice the work coming back. At the same time remember that you should "go like a lamb, and back like a lion." Do your sprinting toward the shore, not away from it.

### Sunday Night Movies - July 7th

Hausa Village — Life in a village of the Hausa Tribe who live in northern Nigeria.

Screaming Jets — Canada's progress in jet aviation. Includes glimpses of strange aircraft of the future.

Arctic Struggle — The life of the Eskimo in a constant struggle for existence against the harshness of the Arctic. The Eskimo is amazingly adapted and happy but he can never relax his battle for life in this barren land.

Kumak The Sleepy Hunter — A traditional Eskimo folk story about Kumak, always too sleepy to hunt until he has a strange and secret adventure.

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**The Opening Of The Season**

What a pleasure to be back at Victoria Beach for the first of July week-end — the beginning of "the Beach Season".

The Council has again done wonders in clearing up the cottage area. A few weeks ago there were mountains of bush, leaves and debris in front of almost every cottage. Many owners had spent previous week-ends in clearing their lots under the road allowances. Now most, but not all, of the refuse is gone.

Furthermore most roads have not only been cleared of debris, but also the long grass has been cut.

Congratulations, Councillors.

The roads have been straightened a bit and fresh gravel spread in spots, particularly down the roads with the Hydro poles. This will make driving more comfortable for taxi passengers and for those who have driving permits. It does, however, place greater responsibility on the drivers. There will be a temptation to drive faster, and this should be avoided or prevented.

To our knowledge there has never been a traffic accident at the Beach. Let's keep it that way.

With the necessary cutting for the Hydro poles, many cottages are now much more exposed than formerly. Some families previously well protected by bush, are now as conspicuous as though in a gold fish bowl. Undue traffic or speed will sweep clouds of dust into cottages whereas formerly the dust settled sedately on the foliage. Let's avoid undue speed.

We noted a few omissions. July 1st is the beginning of the Campers' Season, and all facilities should be available. It is true the water was cold, but some hardy souls wanted to swim and there were probably children who would have enjoyed the slides, but they are of doubtful value until placed in the water.

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in Container" — or so the sign says, but where, oh where is the container?

Perhaps the Life Saver on Patricia Beach was useful although it is doubtful if anyone could survive long enough to have it carried to them through the rocks. Its very presence however might be of comfort to some. The post only was there last week-end.

The Season has opened but evidently you must not slide or attempt to drown because the Municipality is not quite ready.

Many of the foot paths have been cleared and the long grass cut, but evidently this was done on a warm clear day because the foot paths have not been cleared enough for walking in the rain of last week-end. (When this was read to my own family I was told that one became well soaked from the damp wet leaves on our own paths both front and back. I will use my hatchet vigorously immediately and let us hope the Municipality also has a hatchet.)

It's nice to be back at Victoria Beach and the Council has done a grand job, but how much more satisfactory it would be if they could do some of these small chores earlier in the Season.

**COMING EVENTS**

July 13—CHILDRENS' MASQUERADE, Clubhouse, 7 p.m.

July 18—SPORTS DAY, Memorial Park, 10:00 a.m.

JULY 27—BEACH EVENTS, 10:00 a.m. Clubhouse Beach.

August 3—HALF-MILE SWIM, 2:00 p.m. Government Pier.

August 4—WATER SPORTS, 2:00 p.m. Government Pier.

August 7—GARDEN CONTEST, Beach Area.

August 10—CHILDRENS' FISHING DERBY, Government Pier, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

August 17—DOG SHOW, Memorial Park, 7:00 p.m.

August 24—ADULT WIND-UP, Dancing (live music), Presentation of Cups, Eats, Clubhouse, 8:45 p.m.

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