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## Golden days for school

Guide June Cardin relaxes in sunshine Friday, left, on grounds of historic Craigflower School in Saanich. More golden days are ahead for pioneer school. Provincial Secretary Hugh Curtis has announced that the 124-year-old structure, a national historic site, will be restored by the provincial government to allow use as an interpretive museum. Repainting and roof repairs will begin immediately, with major restoration work starting in September. Interior, above, is furnished largely as in colonial times. The school, among oldest buildings in B.C., was opened in 1855 for children of settlers working for Puget Sound Agricultural Company, a Hudson's Bay Co. subsidiary. In the B.C. school system from 1871 to 1911, it was later acquired by Native Sons and Daughters of B.C. before passing into hands of provincial government in 1975.

