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LARGEST CIRCULATION IN TERRACE BAY

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IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN OTHERWISE

Late last Saturday afternoon, an aeroplane circled low over Terrace Bay and for most of us its presence held no special significance. On a number of occasions during the past summer a plane has been used by staff photographer Arnold Mantere to "shoot" aerial views of our project. At other times, routine flights have been made by sightseers in a plane temporarily based at Walker's Lake, just west of Schreiber.

But last Saturday, the plane in question, a Forestry plane, was performing a very important task. Fire had been sighted and we were being alerted to this fact. As the plane travelled east it zoomed low over our Fire Hall. A few moments later, travelling west, it again flew low, gunned the motor three times and kept going west. To those "in the know" this was a signal that FIRE had been sighted in the direction which the plane took after the triple signal.

Later reports revealed that three separate fires were burning: one in the Blue Jay Basin just north of Hydro Camp #1; a second near Malcolm Spidell's Lower Drive Camp - just west of the Aguasabon River; and a third near Schreiber, Ontario. Fortunately all fires were brought under control thanks to prompt action on the part of all concerned.

It cannot be emphasized too strongly, however, that ANY ONE OF THE THREE FIRES COULD HAVE DEVELOPED INTO A CONFLAGRATION WHICH MIGHT HAVE HAD DEVASTATING EFFECTS.

Because of the dry conditions in woodlands and forests this year, the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests has seen fit to extend the Fire Season, in the Thunder Bay Region, until October 31st.

Hunters and campers are urged to use the greatest care with fire when in the woods.

Persons burning brush and slash should take all precautions with clearing fires to prevent their spread.

No fire, no matter how small, should remain unguarded until it is dead out.

Smokers should always: crush out cigarettes on rock; put pipe ashes in bare earth; be sure all matches are out.

HELP PREVENT FOREST FIRES

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TERRACE BAY SCHOOL NEWS

(This second news report on Terrace Bay School activities submitted by a pupil of the school was written by Viola McClement, Grade 8 - Editor-in-Chief).

Beginning in September with an enrollment of eighteen, the attendance of Terrace Bay School has steadily increased. October 20th it was necessary to open a second classroom. This second classroom in house #107 accommodates grades one to four, with Mrs. Clarence Smith as teacher. Latest new arrivals are Paul and Terry Cavanaugh, Clifford Knauff, Charmaine and Betty Dodge, and Warren Buck.

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CURIOSITY KILLED THE CAT

Yes! and many a man too!

NEVER TALKER WITH ANYTHING YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND