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LARGEST CIRCULATION IN TERRACE BAY

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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

It may be difficult to realize that the forest-fire hazard is again with us, as it is only a few short days since the warmer weather came and the snow disappeared. The fact remains however, and it was forcibly emphasized during the past week-end when three minor fires occurred within a ten mile radius of our own Post Office.

We had the opportunity of examining at first hand the location of the nearest fire-- a fire which burned over an area about 550 feet long and up to 150 feet in width just south of Malcolm Spidell's old drive camp on the west side of the Aguasabon River, near the famous Aguasabon Falls. Fortunately the fire stayed on the east side of the old road leading to the river mouth, due no doubt to the direction of the wind. Fortunately, too, the steep river bank was still very damp due to recent thaws thus preventing further destruction.

Now there are many reasons for forest fires, but most of them are due to carelessness. The blaze last Sunday afternoon, referred to in the previous paragraph, was certainly due to carelessness. Some smoker tossed a cigarette butt, or lighted match, into the dry underbrush beside the road.

The act which started the fire was, no doubt, performed without thinking, but the guilty party was not the only offender who had recently passed along the same road, for at least a dozen carelessly dropped cigarette butts were counted in a fifty yard stretch.

In heavily forested areas, we must be on the alert! Where smoking is prohibited - the rule must be obeyed! Where smoking is permitted - crush out cigarettes on a rock - put pipe ashes in bare earth and be sure all matches are out!

We all must do our part to protect Terrace Bay against the ravages of forest fire.

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TENNIS CLUB OFFICERS ELECTED

Nearly thirty tennis enthusiasts met in the Recreation Hall on Wednesday evening April 28th to discuss plans for the coming season. Before the meeting closed officers were elected as follows: President-Bob Harris, Vice-President-Harold Marsh, Secretary-Grace Noer, Treasurer-Jeanne McCord, Executive Member-Ellen Hodgkiss. The group was advised that plans were being made for the construction of tennis facilities in the Townsite.

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At a meeting of the executive held on Tuesday May 5th at the home of the President, Bob Harris, the operation of anticipated facilities was discussed and a number of important matters were decided. Tennis Club fees for the season have been set as follows: Children under 16 years - \$1.00; Adults-\$3.00; Married couples-\$5.00.

Membership application forms will be in the hands of all members of the executive named above within the next day or so and they may also be obtained from Mrs. L. N. Roberts, 75 Hudson Drive or the LongLac Personnel Office in the Lower Camp. Fees will be payable when the courts are completed prior to play.

The executive will meet again on Tuesday May 18th at the home of Dr. and Mrs. L. N. Roberts.

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CURLING CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting and election of officers of the Terrace Bay Curling Club will be held in the Recreation Hall tonight (May 6th) at 8:00 p.m. All club members are urged to attend.