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DEAR SIR: I read your answer to the fellow who bought a used car on approval and when he brought it back and said he didn't want the car, he found that he had already signed a purchase agreement which the dealer wouldn't let him out of. I'm in the market for a good used car. Are there some other things I should keep my eyes open for?

R.G.

One thing you should look out for whenever you buy a major item on time can be described in four words that will serve you well: "Watch what you sign."

Most difficulties between buyers and used car dealers can be traced to a failure on the part of the customer to know - for sure - and to understand exactly what is in the sales contract. Remember, it matters not what the salesman tells you he is going to do. What counts is what's written in the contract. If you have come to some agreement with the salesman about service, or price or special equipment on the car, be certain the details are in the written contract and don't sign it until the terms are there.

Now, a couple of other things to look out for:

Don't sign a contract on which all the blanks have not been filled in. If the salesman tells you "my secretary will fill in the blanks in the morning," tell him you'll be back when the blanks are filled in.

Don't sign carbons or extra copies without checking to see that the terms are the same as they are on the original.

If the salesman takes a contract "to have it approved by the manager," read it again when he returns. How do you know he's brought back the same contract?

Don't be stampeded, either into selecting your purchase or into signing the contract. Make sure the car you buy is the one you want; then, after all the terms of the contract are clear to you, take 24 hours to think the whole deal over. Take an unsigned contract home with you and study it. If you have any questions, have them explained to you to your satisfaction before you consummate the deal.

And finally, do business with a reputable dealer. It's your best insurance against future trouble.

MARRIAGE SEMINAR HELD IN SCHREIBER

Sponsored by the community organizations along the North Shore of Lake Superior a rather unique event was organized under the title: "Getting more out of marriage". Couples from various North shore communities gathered on March 30 to spend the day with Dr. G. Toombs and his wife to discuss the various aspects of marriage in some depth.

Dr. Toombs is the head of the of the Pastoral and Family Counselling Institute in Winnipeg, and member of the American Association of Family Counsellors.

Dr. Toombs explained with the help of visual aids the Family Life Cycle and its effects upon the marriage relationship in these continuously changing situations. Through small group discussions and question periods a great deal of information became shared and produced new insights. In the afternoon a National Film Board production was shown to illustrate the problems of communication between all members of the family. A very lively discussion followed indicating that this was one of the areas giving concern.

The evaluation of the days proceedings made it clear that this kind of seminar is much appreciated and should be provided more often on an extended basis.

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A mother's life is a complicated one. She's torn between the fear that some designing female will carry off her son and that no designing male will do the same for her daughter

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The course was taught by Mrs. Thursa Thompson, R. N. and was sponsored by the St. John's Ambulance Corps., of which Mrs. Jartus is a representative. She tested the girls, and those who passed successfully were: Pat Kelty, Catherine Graham, Pat Megraw, Jaqueline Turner, Louise Brooks, Nancy Gould, Julianne Klug, Valerie Larson, Janet Zwir, Jeannie Tychoniak and Maureen Mikus.

Paulette Coupal presented Mrs. Thompson with a piece of Rhodonite, for her rock collection. Mrs. Thompson has become interested in the art of Lapidary, and was very pleased to accept this gift. A thank-you note was sent to Mrs. Jartus.



HORTICULTURAL NEWS

The spring general meeting will be held on Friday April 19th at 8 p.m. in the Art Room instead of the large meeting room.

Mr. Harrison, the Agricultural Representative of the Thunder Bay District, has brought our attention to the fact that they have made arrangements to present demonstrations on the "At Home" show on C.K.P. R. TV each Monday afternoon, commencing on April 8th.

These topics will be timely and all having to do with home beautification, preparation of lawns, etc.

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Marguerite Ann Pineault was the recipient of many lovely gifts, when her friends gathered at St. Martin's Church basement, to wish her well before she leaves to take up residence in Ottawa. She plans to be married in July. Dolores Tychoniak, Sandra Stojko, and Vi Drexler were joint hostesses for the occasion. Helping with the Bridal shower were Jean Tychoniak, Sonja Stojko and Marlyn MacDonald. Mrs. Pineault and Sunni Stojko assisted the bride-elect in opening gifts, a corsage was made by Freda Tees and presented to Marguerite Ann.