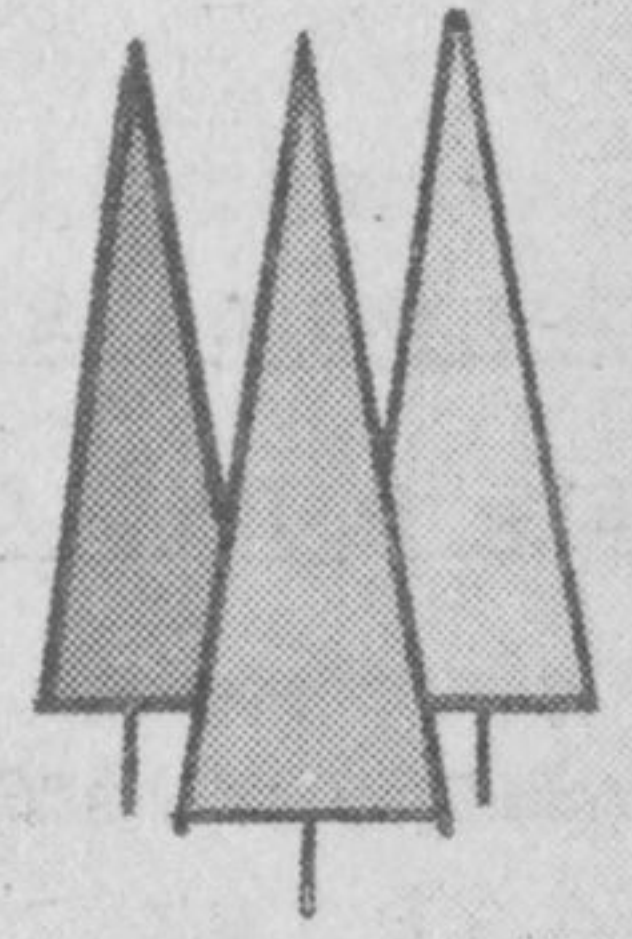


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R. CRESSMAN ACCEPTS POSITION AS DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

With four Trustees absent at the Lake Superior Board of Education meeting held May 26th, at Manitowadge the following minutes of meetings were adopted - Meeting No. 4/73 held April 14th, 1973; the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole Board, held Saturday, May 12th, 1973; the minutes of the meeting held at the Board office, Schreiber, on May 4th, 1973 for the purpose of opening and examining all tenders received in connection with the sale of tender of Lot 106 Bayview Street, Plan 786, Schreiber, Ontario; the minutes of the meeting held at the Board office, on April 30th 1973, for the purpose of opening and examining all bids received in connection with the sale by tender of the Heron Bay School; the minutes of meeting No. 32 of the Trainable Retarded Children's Advisory Committee; and the minutes of the special meeting of the Trainable Retarded Children's Advisory Committee, held April 30th, 1973 and that a contract be signed with Boggs Construction Limited, in the amount of \$33,386.00.

The Caroline McMorland School will be permitted to devote the 26th to 29th of June, 1973 to parent counselling, professional development evaluation and curriculum development, with the students dismissed.

The Disbursements for the period ending April 30th, 1973 in the amount of \$230,601.18, were approved for payment.

The Board accepted the resignation of Mr. D. Walsh from the Lake Superior High School, effective April 19th, 1973.

The following resignations, effective the end of the school year were accepted with regret: continued page 3

THE PAST FIFTY YEARS - A HISTORY OF THE AREA'S FOREST DISTRICT

(By H. J. Kodila, Conservation Officer)

April 1, 1973, marked a milestone in the history of the Terrace Bay Division and as a salute to the people and places that have come and gone within the past five decades, we say "farewell" and offer them this mild tribute.

It all started back in 1923, in the days of masted sailing vessels and lone track rangers, when the old Department of Lands and Forests established its first Deputy Ranger Headquarters along the north shore of Lake Superior. The base was built in the picturesque bay of Pays Plat from which it got its name. The divisional boundaries extended from Nipigon to Heron Bay. During this time the headquarters was incorporated in the Port Arthur District. The staff consisted of a Deputy Ranger (Jack Ault) and three rangers. The only equipment available was a quantity of hand tools and three pumps. It was not until twelve years later that the headquarters received its first piece of mobile equipment ... a truck, followed in 1938 by a Stinson Aircraft.

Prior to the establishment of the Pays Plat base, fire detection patrols along the north shore were carried out by lone track rangers stationed along the Canadian Pacific Railway tracks at such places as Nipigon, Gravel, Pays Plat, and so on down the line to Peninsula (new Marathon). Each ranger was assigned a "beat" and it was the custom to hop a freight to the next siding or station and walk back.

By 1937 Pays Plat had become a place of some importance, designated as a Chief Ranger Headquarters with Jack Ault as Chief Ranger. At the same time, continued page 2