

## NOTES FROM YOUR HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The new Executive of the Horticultural Society met this month to plan the 1977 programme. Chairman of Committees were planned as follows: Public Planting - T. Dorland; Membership - R. Poole; Junior Gardeners - E. MacAdam.

Spring premiums will be ordered and delivered during membership drive.

Hodwicz Nursery is to be contacted regarding supplying bedding out plants.

Members are advised that The Plant Show will be held in Toronto on April 7 - 11 and will include seminar topics of interest to indoor and outdoor gardeners.

This year the Thunder Bay Horticultural Society will host a District Annual Meeting on May 15th at the Exhibition Grounds. All are welcome to attend.

Our Spring Meeting will be held Wednesday, April 27th in the large meeting room of the Recreation Centre. More details later.

## FIRE SEASON 1976

by: D.E. Grainger

Senior Fire Control Technician

The 1976 forest fire season was one of the worst in Ontario's recorded history.

From April 1 to October 31, 1976 Ontario experienced 3,986 forest fires that burned 1,328,000 acres. During that period the Terrace Bay District recorded fifty-six forest fires, which is much higher than the average yearly number. Fortunately, last year the acreage burned in this District was kept very low (93 acres) thanks to a measure of good luck and quick efficient suppression action by our unit fire crews and woods' industry crews. Thirty-seven of these fifty-six fires were caused by lightning and the remaining nineteen were man-caused.

We would like to thank the members of the public who helped us in many ways last summer. The outlook for the coming season is such that we likely will need your assistance even more than during the previous seasons.

### GUIDING NEWS:

After many weeks of planning and preparation by the Guides and Brownies, a float was assembled with the help of the Rangers and Leaders. The theme of the float this year was "Voyageur Land" with an Indian princess - Kim Korzinski and a Voyageur - Heather Saranpaa, amid a tee-pee, beaver pelts, snow shoes and trappers trophies of nature.

Mr. Weatherman was not very cooperative this year. The day the parade was due to move out, rain and fog held fast, and only one or two vehicles ventured around the town, making a brave showing.

The Ranger chosen as Princess to represent the Guides and Rangers for the Winter Carnival Queen contest was Tracey Stachiw. Tracey took first place and was the Terrace Bay Winter Carnival Queen. She attended as many indoor activities as was possible during her weekend reign. To page 8 .....

## HALF-LOADING NOTICE

HALF-LOADING REGULATIONS will go into effect in District 19, Thunder Bay

AT: 12:01 A.M., MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1977  
(Unless Otherwise Notified)

on ALL HIGHWAYS and SECONDARY ROADS EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING:

- (1) All of Highway 11
- (2) All of Highway 11-B
- (3) All of Highway 17
- (4) All of Highway 61
- (5) All of Highway 102
- (6) All of Highway 623
- (7) All of Highway 628
- (8) Highway 584  
From Highway 11  
To the South Limit of the Geraldton  
Connecting Link
- (9) Highway 589  
From Junction Highway 102  
To Junction Highway 591

HALF-LOADING REGULATIONS will also go into effect on Local Roads in the FOLLOWING LOCAL ROADS BOARDS AREAS:

Inwood, Upsala, Jacques, Fowler, Gorham, Stirling, Forbes, Dawson Road-Goldie, and Ware.

During Half-Loading Season, no Special Permits for overloading or house moving will be issued on any Highway, or in any of the Local Roads Boards Areas, in this District.

F. RENDULIC, District Engineer



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