

Decision on budworms deferred at League meeting

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Bell said that Doug Scott of the Northwestern Ontario Associated Chambers of Commerce is "still quite upset" with the government's stand on the issue.

Scott wrote to Grossman last month and complained that "your Party was instrumental in preventing any use of chemical pesticides...the MNR has subsequently written off (a total of) 70,000 acres" of northern forest which could only have been saved with the use of chemical sprays.

Scott also said in the letter that the Progressive Conservative party's universal opposition to the limited use of approved chemical pesticides "cannot be based on fact" since all federal and provincial health and environmental agencies have approved the two pesticides proposed for

use by the MNR.

At a recent meeting of the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association, a resolution which asked the MNR to reinstate the limited chemical spray program in the area was supported.

In a letter to the League dated May 12, the Minister of Natural Resources admitted that at a series of open houses held throughout Ontario last January, 80 per cent of those who attended approved of the proposed MNR spray program, which at that time included chemical sprays.

Vincent Kerrio added in the letter, though, that "it became obvious in the Ontario Legislature that the government would not get the support of the House for a program that included chemical insecticides."

It was for that reason that his Ministry decided to

use only a biological insecticide (Bacillus thuringiensis, also known as Bt) in its aerial spraying program this year.

"The biological insecticide is effective," Kerrio insisted, though the League and others have a different opinion about the use of Bt all by itself.

"Doug Scott continues to be very concerned," Power said at the League meeting. He said any action the League might take now would not have any effect on this year's program. A report is to be prepared for all League members prior to the September meeting.

The League did support a resolution from Terrace Bay at the meeting.

The resolution calls for the provincial government to amend the Education Act to end the existing poss-

ibility that school boards in the province might use a recent Supreme Court of Ontario decision as a precedent to force municipalities in the province to pay boards any interest earned or late payment penalties charged on taxes collected by the towns on behalf of the boards.

Terrence Bay Reeve Ollie Chapman explained that the resolution was inspired in part by an article in the latest issue of Municipal World magazine.

"If the appeal on the court decision does not go

through, every school board in the province is going to pick up on this," she warned. "We want to nip this in the bud." The resolution will be forwarded on to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for their support.

Sally Laine, Councillor for Geraldton, said similar resolutions have run into a roadblock at the AMO level in the past, though Power noted that AMO's policy has been changing slightly.

"This resolution may change their minds," he

added. The next meeting of AMO is set for August 23 in Toronto.

"I think we can push this through," Reeve Chapman said, adding that the large cities are not the majority any longer.

"It's important that we have people at AMO who will be prepared to stand up and speak on this," Power said. Reeve Chapman plans to attend that meeting.

"The main thing here is we want to get out of paying the school boards when we don't have the money," Laine said. At that point

the resolution was put to a vote and it was supported.

Present at the League meeting were the Reeves, mayors, and councillors from Nipigon, Dorion, Conmee, Nakina, Terrace Bay, Marathon, Neebing, Red Rock, Geraldton, and the host municipality of Schreiber.

Also at the meeting were representatives from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing as well as two spokesmen from CP Rail, on hand to make a presentation to the League on railway safety.

Bits and Bites

By Helene Ballard

Hello folks! I trust all is well with your world today. Maybe we will get some nice warm weather now.

Last Tuesday, June 17 the Ladies Auxiliary of Birchwood Terrace hosted a delightful Strawberry

Tea. Tables were set up on the patio complete with flowers, which added to the happiness of all our residents. We wish at this time to thank these devoted ladies for all their work on our behalf.

We also had as guests some of the folks from the

Chronic Ward at McCausland Hospital. It is always nice to see them. Believe me, those vans and minibuses with a lift on them sure are great for taking these people out for different events which, even though they are somewhat handicapped, they still enjoy going out from time to time. We thank all those who take such good care of them.

We were all happy this past week at Birchwood to welcome back one of our residents, Mr. Felix Legault, from a three week stay at McKeller Hospital. He was a very sick man but is now on the mend and we hope he will soon be his own cheerful self again.

On a subject which I

don't like to give my ideas on, but several people have asked me what I think about it, I will only say this: about the Doctor's strike, it seems to me that there must be some other way to settle this problem without closing emergency wards and doctors just closing their offices and calmly walking away. If we can put a man on the moon and bring him back, why can't we find a way to settle problems here on earth without those drastic measures? I only hope this will come to an end before some patient dies because of this senseless strike. Please find a solution now. Until next week enjoy yourselves, and here is a wee bit of humour.

Doctor to patient: "I have some bad news and some very bad news for you. Which do you want first?"

Patient: "Give me the bad news first."

"OK. First off you only have 24 hours to live. Now the very bad news, I have been trying to get in touch with you since yesterday." So long.

New NDC

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In announcing the appointments, the Minister said "There is a need for a group representing a cross-section of Northerners to provide advice to me as Minister of Northern Development and Mines, as well as to the cabinet committee on Northern Development."

The Superior-North association will represent the development aspirations of Northerners from Dorion easterly to White River and northerly to the CNR mainline. The Superior-North NDC will comprise of a dozen members.

The council's operational expenses will be met by the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, which will also provide necessary professional and secretarial support.

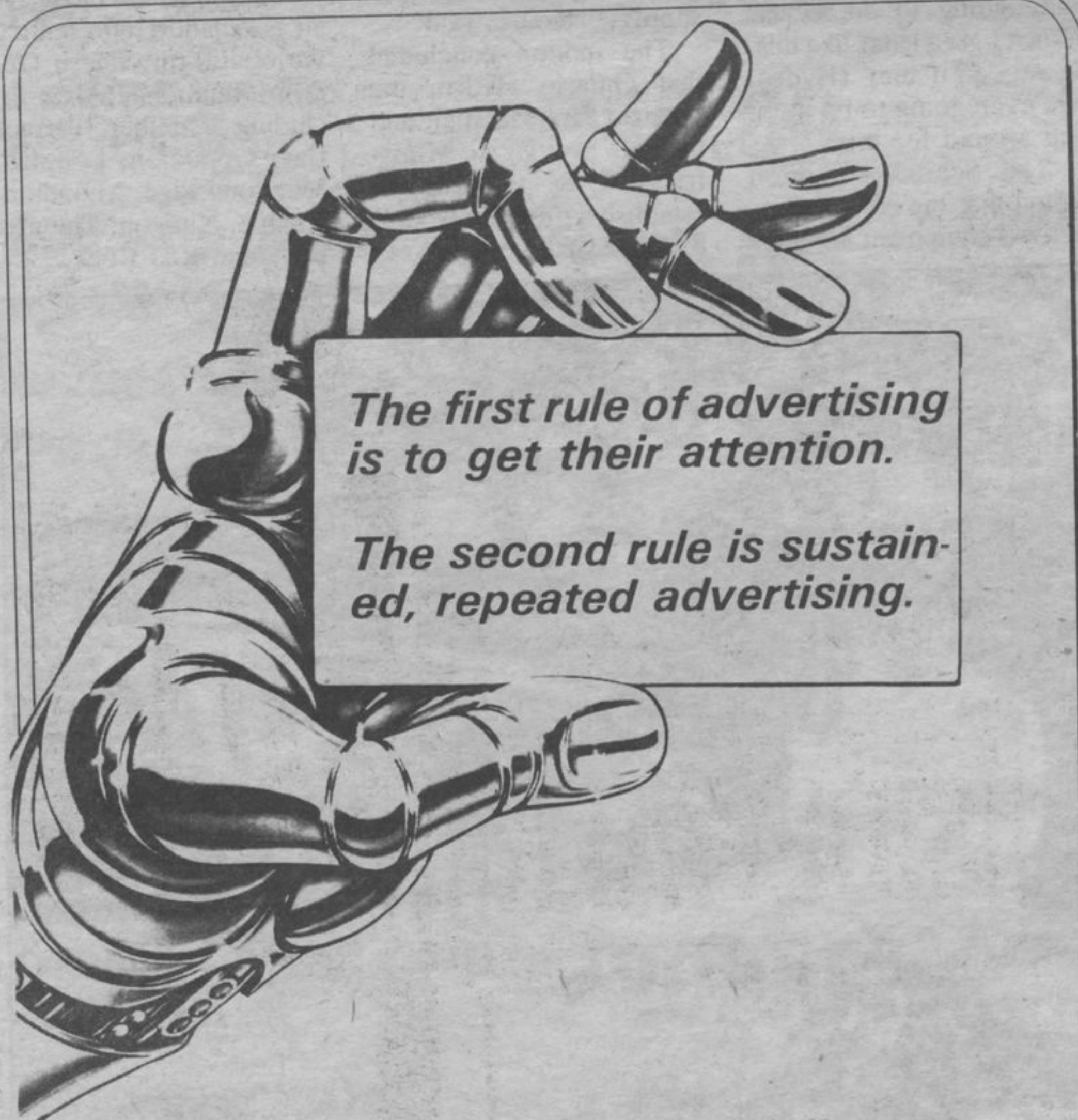
"Based on the strength of interest shown in these councils, I am convinced we are embarking on a concept that will serve the north well," said Fontaine. "I am looking forward to establishing a working relationship with these groups as quickly as possible," he added.

Earlier in the day, Fontaine established the Kenora/Rainy River Northern Development Council. It comprises 14 members and takes in an area circled by Fort Frances, Ignace, Pickle Lake, Sioux Lookout, Red Lake, Kenora and Rainy River.

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