

The Scene from 6070

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Changes in the Official Register.

September 9, 1976, No. 1193, Sinclair, John Peter, Suspended for nonpayment of fees.

October 4, 1976, No. 487, Leitch, John Strickland, Deceased.

October 31, 1976, No. 980, Lowe, George Merton, Reinstated.

November 11, 1976, No. 1427, Wilson, Kenneth Paul, New Registration.

November 11, 1976, No. 1428, Strongman, Charles Thomas, New Registration.

All too quickly, 1976 will be over and before one knows it, we will again be gathered for the Annual Meeting in Toronto. Planning for the meeting is well underway and together with the seminar "Adverse Possession and Boundaries" scheduled for the day prior to the meeting, it promises to be an educational and worthwhile week. The notices regarding both the Seminar and the Annual Meeting are printed elsewhere in this issue. Let's see you out this year. The Association Offices will not be open during the meeting, however the staff will be in attendance at the Hotel Toronto, if you wish to see them on any matter.

Questionnaires

In the past few months, we have mailed out three questionnaires regarding

the "Role of the Surveyor", Monumentation and the Salary Study. Response to all of these has been gratifying indicating that more members are concerned. The Role of the Surveyor elicited some 340 returns and this should enable the committee to prepare a meaningful report regarding our present and future status as seen by our members. The form for the Cadastral Committee regarding monumentation was also returned in good numbers with some members taking the time to prepare extensive comments on their concern in this matter. With the prompt response to the Salary Study, it is anticipated that the results can be forwarded to you early in January.

With these three mailings, we have had several comments along the lines of "You send out far too much useless material and I am too busy to bother with them." Others have commented that they would appreciate more information from the Association offices, so we do find it rather difficult to please all. I would point out that during the last few months several matters have risen that could have been avoided if your mail was more closely scrutinized. I would hope that you take the time to ascertain if the particular item is of concern to you and respond accordingly.

Firm Directory and Numerical list

With the return of all but six of the

Annual Returns, we are now in the process of preparing a new Firm Directory of those firms in Private Practice. A new list of surveyors in numerical order is also being prepared. This will be in a new format with the placement of old notes being added. This will be of assistance to those trying to obtain field notes.

By-laws of the Association

For those practicing in the South Central Area, a concerted effort to improve the service rendered by the Survey Notes and Records Index is being undertaken. According to our by-law, this Index is for those offering services in land surveying in the South Central Region, and therefore includes both those in private practice full-time as well as those offering services on a part-time basis. Registered notices have been sent to all firms or individuals who have neither been contributing their records of paying their fees for same. A list of the participants in this Central Index will be prepared in the Spring of 1977, and with co-operation from the surveyors in the area, the Index should provide a valuable aid.

I would point out that neither the Secretary nor the staff at the Association offices can waive compliance from a by-law for any of the members, whether the by-law concerns the Index, dues, interest on dues, re-admittance fees or submissions of the Annual Return. We do receive requests of this nature and point out that such a request must go to the Council for consideration.

Canadian Council of Land Surveyors

A REPORT BY
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The Canadian Council of Land Surveyors is an organization whose goals and objectives have been fully endorsed by the Council of Management of this Association for the past six or seven years.

It is necessary, in order for the C.C.L.S. to attain its worthy goals, that it continues to have the support and confidence, not only of Council, but, also of the majority of the members of our Association.

The following is a report on the current status and activities of the Council. It is hoped, by presenting periodic reports of this nature, that we can all be assured of the value and necessity of the C.C.L.S. and fully support all its endeavours.

The Canadian Council of Land Surveyors was formally incorporated by Letters Patent dated February 10th, 1976, and is the result of the combined efforts of the Provincial Land Survey Associations, the Canadian Institute of Surveying (C.I.S.) and the Dominion Land Surveyors Association (D.L.S.).

Prior to incorporation, the provincial presidents had held many informal meetings while attending the C.I.S. Annual Meetings. These opportunities to discuss matters of common interest and exchange information, plans and general concerns were seen to be mutually beneficial for all the Associations and since 1969, these meetings became a scheduled part of the C.I.S. Annual Meetings and were known as Meetings of the Presidents of Provincial Land Survey Associations. In addition to meeting at the C.I.S. Annual Meetings, the provincial presi-

dents also met informally at Annual Meetings of the respective Provincial Associations, but, rarely, were representatives of all Associations present at any one meeting, so that, while very informative, the meetings were not definitive and, therefore, not as profitable as they could have been.

The present C.C.L.S., as an incorporated entity, is both natural and logical and its evolution was characterized by close liaison and co-operation between all Provincial Associations, the C.I.S. and D.L.S. It is important that this close communication and co-operation be maintained in order that the total surveying community be effectively represented in Canada. The advantages which were originally envisaged in the formation of the C.C.L.S. seem even greater now since the Council is an excellent vehicle by which to express the

views of the land surveyors of Canada on a national level and, through the C.I.S., on the international level. By means of the C.C.L.S., we can pool resources in a unified approach, with a minimum of overlapping and duplication of effort. We can also develop common policies and position papers on matters of mutual concern.

Consistent with the objects of the C.C.L.S., some of the goals and common concerns which the C.C.L.S. will be considering are:

- common academic and experience requirements for commission as a land surveyor;
- common accreditation procedure for accrediting university programs in professional land surveying;
- reciprocity between provincial land survey associations;
- common Code of Ethics;
- common policy concerning such matters as:
 - competitive bidding practices;
 - guidelines for professional fees;
 - public relations programs;
 - continuing education programs;
 - standards of surveying;
- monitoring existing and pending legislation as it affects surveyors, and thereby develop policies and position papers concerning them. as, for example, the Combines Investigation Act and the Professions and Public Policy Conference;
- common approach to the recognition of survey technicians, their associations, organization, educational and training requirements, methods of certification, etc.;
- metric conversion.

All provincial land survey associations are members of the C.C.L.S., which ensures representation of each at the meetings—held twice each year—the Annual Meeting being scheduled during the C.I.S. Annual Meeting and another meeting in the late Fall.

The annual operating budget of the C.C.L.S. is six dollars per active land surveyor and, in consideration of the anticipated benefits to be derived, is money well spent.

The current officers of the C.C.L.S. are President, Russ George of Saskatchewan, Vice-President, Maurice Gaudreault of Quebec and Secretary-Treasurer, David Crandall of Manitoba.

JOKE

Did you hear about the surveyor having previously used only transits calibrated in the 360° sexagesimal system, who, when presented with one with the 400° of the grade system, thought that the theodolite had been provided with a larger circle?

I'M INDISPENSABLE

I file by subject, I file by the day,
I file by city, I file my way,
I shun the trite and I scorn convention,
My filing system has four dimensions.

I regard "In re" at the top of a letter,
As something to make it balance better,
I pay no attention to underlining
And seldom in classifying
Get down to the Name of the person signing.

I have all the names of the company officials
Neatly arranged by their middle initials.
But customers' letters I have filed instead
By the colour and size of their letterheads.

Our financial report, by my own good reason
Instead of by month, I have arranged by season.
And for anything that I consider extraneous
I have three large file drawers labelled "Misc".

They can't fire me, though I'm often late,
And I lunch from eleven til two,
I leave at four if I have a date
And there is nothing they can do.
Or if I forget to come to work at all,
They have got to take it smiling.
For you see, I have them backed up against the wall

FOR I DO ALL THE FILING.
Anonymous

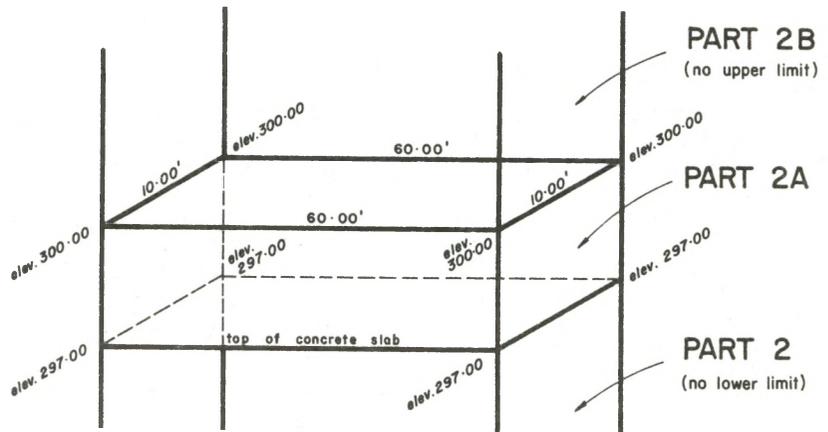
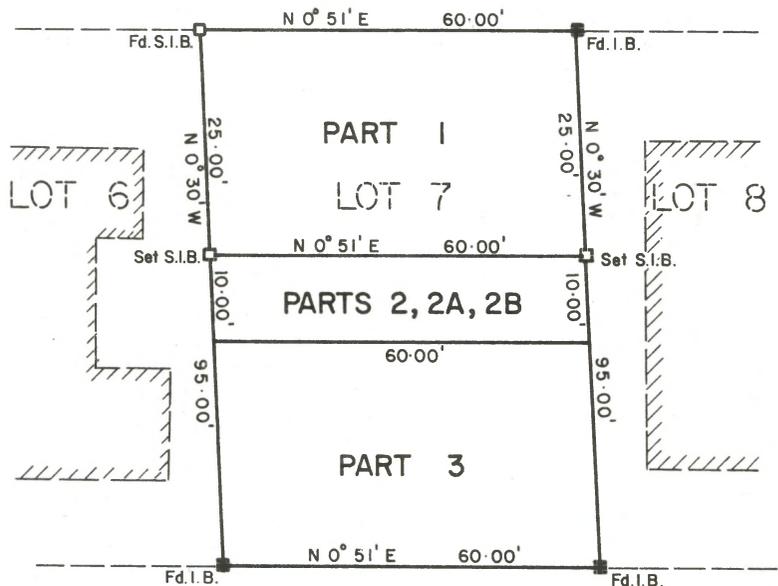


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