

Winneconne Advised to Secede, Go to War

WINNECONNE, Wis. (AP)—When a community — especially a resort community — is officially ignored, drastic action is called for.

The name of Winneconne was left off the 1967 official Wisconsin highway map. It was all a mistake, the Highway Department said.

The community conducted a contest, seeking suggestions for putting itself “back on the map.”

Chamber of Commerce officials Monday announced the winners—Janice Badtke and Kay Clipstine, both of Washington, D.C., who entered their suggestion together.

Secede from the union, they said, proclaim a Republic of Winneconne and declare war on the United States.

The chamber agreed. But Republican Gov. Warren Knowles, who was in nearby Oshkosh Sunday, had a more practical suggestion. He said he was asking for “full scale investigation of the Highway Department in order to find the Democrat responsible for the omission.”

First prize in the contest, by the way, is an all expense paid weekend in this community of 1,000.