# Task Force Hydro Commission target

Task Force Hydro, the document which proposes to set up a crown corporation out of the present Ontario Hydro received a rough reception at the inaugural meeting of the Acton Hydro Commission Thursday night.

"Simming it all up, they have created a political football which would allow them to get into debt and bleed it awhile," declared commissioner Ted Tyler, "They are taking all the power away from the people."

"And that's why local commissions were set up'in the

#### Commission satisfied with contest

Acton Hydro commissioners expressed satisfaction with the results of the commission's Christmas lighting contest in 1972 and will consider removing restrictions which parred previous winners from being among prize winners in sub-

sequent contests. Commissioner Orville Brown said he thought contest judge Georgetown hydro commissioner Jack Armstrong had done a good job in his choice of prize winning houses. He had driven around himself and found the choices excellent.

"He didn't pick those who spent all kinds of money," explained Commissioner Bob MacArthur, "but those who showed the most ingenuity with what they had to work with."

There has been no complaints about the prize winning houses this year, the commission felt, but on the suggestion of vicechairman T. Tyler Sr. agreed that some thought should be given to the ruling which barred previous winners from being ineligible for prizes for a three year period.

We are defeating our own purpose in barring those who annually set out a fine light display said Tyler. He noted prize winning parades had no such restrictions.

It was also agreed the judge of this year's contest should be granted suitable appreciation inthe form of a small gift. Mr. Armstrong was surprised by the quality and extent of lighting displays in Acton, secretary Audrey Urguhart said, and intends to promote a similar contest in Georgetown next year, if possible, using Acton

commissioners as judges. Contest winners in Acton were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Arbic, Mr. and Mrs. W. Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Colin MacColl. Honorable mentions went to Mrs. Reta Braida, Joe Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Alf Duby.

first place," observed Mayor Les

Commissioner Bob MacArthur produced a copy of eight resolutions passed at the annual meeting of the Ontario Municipal Electric Association, which he opposing the attended, designation of Ontario Hydro as a crown corporation or the transfer of assets to it.

#### Municipally owned

The resolutions pointed out that the various municipalities of the province have provided almost all the capital funds to Ontario Hydro to establish generating and transmission facilities and this acquired an equity. This has benefitted them through asystem of return which demonstrated their ownership of Ontario Hydro,

In the view of the OMEA the recommendations, separately or combined, were directed toward the diminution of the public voice at the local level in the control and operation of the hydro system in Ontario. It was also resolved that regardless of the regionalization of municipal government and the location of the Hydro Electric utility, control should be entrusted to elected commissioners and not those appointed.

The OMEA also went on record as favoring a lower tier municipal placement for hydro if and when regionalization of

government occurs. The resolutions struck a sympathetic note with the Acton

They passed a resolution endorsing a Woodstock resolution opposing the implementation of Task Force Hydro and decided to purchase 2,000 copies of a pamphlet which condenses the effects the Task Force Hydro study would have on the consumer. The pamphlets will be inserted in hydro bill mailings to each Acton consumer.

"What will be will be," said one commissioner with a shrug. "If we all sit back and do nothing that's what it will be will be," countered Commissioner

In further business, the commission re-elected Wilf McEachern as chairman and Ted Tyler as vice-chairman for another term, with Orville Brown and Mayor Duby on property and Bob MacArthur and Tyler on unance committees. Town clerk Joe Hurst conducted the swearing in ceremony where all commissioners took the oath of office.

### To waterproof Y basement

Work is to begin as soon as possible on waterproofing the Y.M.C.A. basement. Council Tuesday night approved the quotation of Vulcan Waterproofing Limited of \$1,346 for the

### Slight damage in fire Mon.

Less than \$100 damage resulted from a Monday afternoon fire at the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Ron MacIntyre above the YMCA building on Mill St.

Firefighters using Scott air packs put out the fire, which is believed to have been started by a cigarette butt thrown into a garbage bag.

Fire chief Mick Holmes said the damage was confined to the immediate area where the bag was placed and the wall casing. No estimate on smoke damage was available. The fire occurred at approximately 2.30 p.m.

Counciller Norm Elliott introduced the motion explaining the Y has been plagued with the problem of water leaking in at the foundation and the programs located in the basement suffer. Last year's attempt to improve the situation with fill and changed drainage had proven useless.

He felt this system was the only

Legacy neglected "I feel that the legacy of the Y has been sorely neglected by the people of Acton for many years now," Mr. Elliott declared. "And the town is that much the worse off for neglecting a substantial.

work will be done both outside, injecting waterproofing, and inside, where the floor will have to be broken up in some places. Deputy-reeve McKenzie felt a sump pump might be needed. If so, this would be an additional cost above the

Classes start week

of January 22, 1973.

Council is responsible for the maintenance of the Y building.

of the project. ACTON Municipal Council probably would be done.

Council members attended to a variety of matters Tuesday night. Information was received by full council via committee minutes.

**ACTIVITIES** 

The mayor and clerk were authorized to sign a subdivision agreement for phase two of Acton Meadows, including 24 homes. The contract was negotiated last year and the actual agreement can be signed next week. Clerkadministrator Joe Hurst outlined changes in the agreement including new lot levies, road reconstruction and re-location of hydro service with buried cable.

"Bovis is waiting. It's imperative to get underway," commented deputy-reeve Marks.

Three taxi licenses were approved for Reliable Taxi. Only two taxis are operated at present. The O.P.P. had also given approval and stated the vehicles are in proper running order. The operator agreed to submit certificates of mechanical fitness if requested.

A proposed road layout, with sidewalk and storm sewers for Elizabeth Dr. had been presented to committee by N. Nottenboom of R. V. Anderson Associates engineers and was discussed at council Tuesday. Mr. Nottenboom had explained the cost to locate the sidewalk on the north side would be less than on the south side mainly due to the amount of fill that would be required.

Do you think we'll get this job done this year" asked deputy-

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five of 150 machines participating in Carlisle wood and fourth from left is Danny Arbic. Snowdrifters' annual snowmobile race meet Both drive Polaris machines. leave the starting line in Sunday's races.

'THEY'RE OFF at Courtcliffe Park oval as Second from left is John Salmon Sr. of Rock-

administrator Hurst said the

(Photo by R. Downs)

reeve Marks, long-time promoter received a letter from the Air Management Branch of the The mayor and public works Ministry of the Environment chairman Masales agreed it advising that all the old Beardmore lagoons except one, Mr. Masales outlined alter- containing tannery waste water, and considered as sources of odor nutives for drainage . "The main consideration is to get the road in emissions, have been drained. the right place," said councillor. One lagoon is now being used for Coats. The sidewalk can go on winter storage of the treated tannery waste water and it is Are there any more legal intended to have this lagoon hongups? asked Marks. Clerkdrained in the spring.

transfer of lands was complete Council and planning board will and no problem was anticipated. board a bus next Tuesday night to attend a special meeting on Administration committee regional government.

DRUGS or JESUS WHICH HAS THE FUTURE? BRETHREN OF MESSIAH

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Bell

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will be no increase for two party service.

Barnes also told council the company is considering a charge of 25 cents for directory assistance calls asking for numbers that are already listed in the telephone book. He said a survey showed that 80 per cent of directory assistance calls are for listed numbers and that this service was costing Bell Canada \$17 million a year.

lie said the charge would not apply to persons with sight impediments or to calls made from hotels and motels. New listings would also be exempt.

Pay phones Also included in the applications is a request to increase the price of a call from a pay telephone from a dime to 20 cents. On the other hand, Barnes

said a new type of pay phone, which would allow emergency calls to be made on credit is to be introduced.

Of particular interest to township residents was a statement by Barnes that his company will accept referrals on what may be considered a Locality Rate Area. These are rural areas, which have a reasonably heavy concentration of residents, such as Limehouse and Hornby. Installation and service rates for these areas are lower than for normal rural districts. Hornby was recently classified an LRA

by the company. Barnes also said consideration is being given to reducing rural lines from eight to a maximum of four parties.

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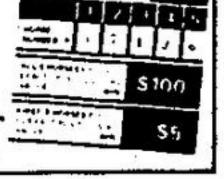
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## Judo enthusiasts receive promotions

Georgetown-Y-Budokan Judo juniors and brown for seniors. Club from this area, were promoted at Ka-kami Baraki in Toronto, January 7.

Cathy Griese, R.R. 4, Acton, was presented with a trophy for being the outstanding female white belt in the club, as well as being promoted to yellow belt.

Limehouse, and Beth Thomson, wear the brown belt. R.R. 1, Acton, to blue.

members of the orange, green blue, red for There are 10 degrees of black belt

One aid red belt

which is as high as a junior can Gord Thomson, father of Jim,

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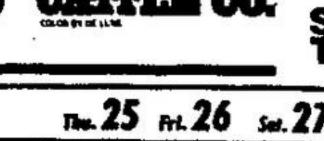
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Only red belt in the Georgetown club's juniors is held by 13-yearold Jim Thomson R.R 1, Acton,

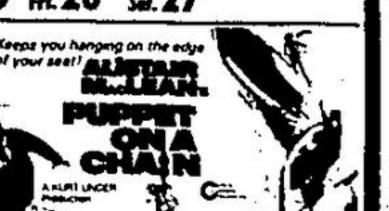
Darrell Leece R.R. 1, Acton, Beth and yellow belted David, Winston Cronkite, was presented with certificate Limehouse, advanced to orange promoting him the Ik Kyu in Rod Donaldson, Kudokan Judo, entitling him to

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