

Warden accuses Hydro of cluttering country

Halton Warden Anne MacArthur accused Ontario Hydro of cluttering up the country with hydro wires, suggesting they were building an empire to sell power to the United States, at a public meeting in Acton Friday night.

"Are we suffering for the people of the United States?" she asked an official of Ontario Hydro at the meeting to acquaint the public with alternative routes for the proposed 500 KV power

corridor.

Mrs. MacArthur said she was a frequent visitor to Europe and in spite of the large population there the visual pollution of hydro wires was not noticeable.

Yugoslavia, she said, was able to run a line under the Adriatic Sea to export power to Italy while Ontario could not even bury lines under the ground.

There must be a better way, then stringing towers through Halton to satisfy power de-

requirements of Toronto and Hamilton, she insisted.

Denies allegations

An official of Hydro denied Mrs. MacArthur's allegation that the network of towers and lines was being constructed to sell power to the U. S. Hydro does sell some of its surplus power to the U. S. in the summer when it is available, the profits from which, he noted, went back to the people, he said.

The Hydro spokesman said Ontario Hydro shared Mrs. MacArthur's concern about cluttering up the countryside but unless they acted there would soon be a power shortage in areas where demand was increasing. He said Hydro people were familiar with technical developments elsewhere and used the most modern techniques available to supply Ontario.

He doubted the line from Yugoslavia to Italy would approach the voltage required for the expanding Hamilton-Toronto market but he could not comment because he was not familiar with it.

Mrs. MacArthur, who told residents earlier, lines could affect her property, inquired whether those in the rural areas were really carrying the urban burden but the spokesman said the new lines were required to supply Toronto and Hamilton as well as the area in between.

More occurrences noted by police

There was a substantial increase in the number of occurrences investigated during the reporting week of July 1 to July 8. Acton detachment officers of the Ontario Provincial Police, investigated a total of 48 general occurrences and two motor vehicle collisions.

Major investigations included four reports of malicious damage, two reports of assault and one report of theft.

Officers made two drug seizures, resulting in two men being arrested and charged under the Narcotic Control Act.

Stolen cars

On checking an abandoned vehicle, officers learned that the vehicle had been stolen from Toronto a short time earlier. A second vehicle was stolen in Acton and recovered after being involved in a collision. Two men were charged with theft of a motor vehicle as a result.

Officers were called to quell a disturbance on a main street. When attempting to disperse an unruly group of youths, a Hamilton man became aggressive towards the officers and was subsequently arrested for causing a disturbance.

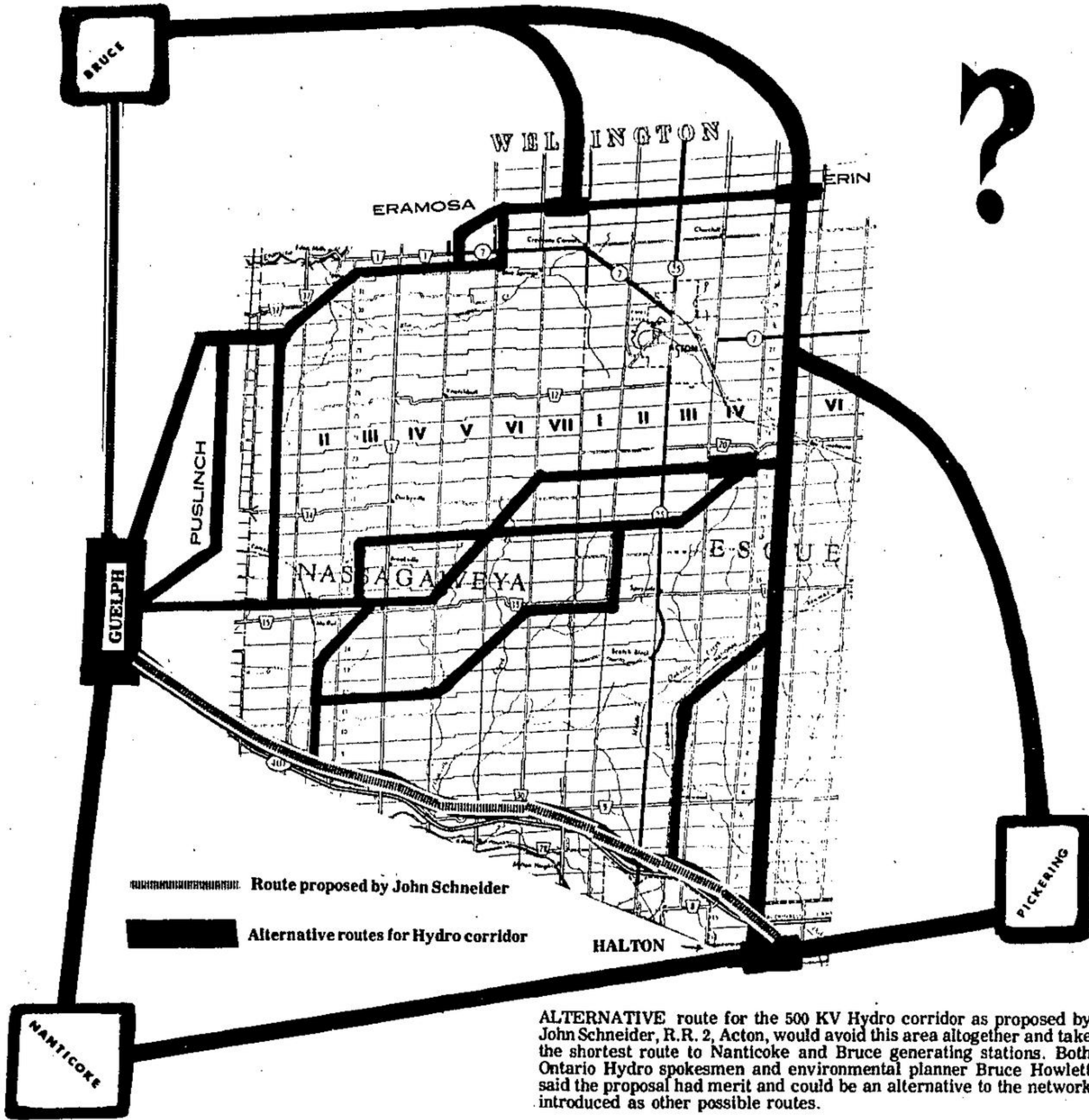
Two out of town men were charged with having liquor in a place other than residence and a local youth was charged with drinking under age.

Routine checks of motor vehicles resulted in two motorists being charged for driving without insurance. One motorist was charged with impaired driving.

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ALTERNATIVE route for the 500 KV Hydro corridor as proposed by John Schneider, R.R. 2, Acton, would avoid this area altogether and take the shortest route to Nanticoke and Bruce generating stations. Both Ontario Hydro spokesmen and environmental planner Bruce Howlett said the proposal had merit and could be an alternative to the network introduced as other possible routes.

An acceptable alternative

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three alternatives would replace it. He also said the North-South route between Georgetown and Halton proposed would follow the CN railway line through Manswood.

Earlier in the meeting it was suggested that the transmission corridor would be best in the Parkway proposed and communications. "It is the logical location," said a member of the audience, since it answers the description precisely.

However, Mr. Howlett said that if the Parkway was chosen it might be difficult to get it in quickly enough. Hydro has to get going on the transmission corridor soon to guarantee there is no electrical power shortage in the province. "It's a time bind," Howlett said. He said his report to the Solandt Commission must be in by the end of August.

Formal meetings will be conducted by the province to determine the form of the Parkway but not until the fall, Leslie Brown of the regional planning branch of the Department of Treasury and Economics reported. He said the three parties involved Hydro, Howlett and the Government were out of step. Meanwhile the Government wishes to defer discussion on it.

Hydro also discounted questions from a Mr. Barrett about putting the 500 KV lines underground. "It is not feasible," said a spokesman—and experiments have not proved themselves.

William Paterson noted Hydro had said sub-stations must be located close to railway lines and wondered why?

The reply was that the 350 ton transformers can only be shipped by rail over long distances.

Mr. Paterson asked then if this would rule out Ballinfad as a sub-station site since the railway was quite a distance away. No, was the reply—Hydro could build a road into it to the proper specifications.

Bruce Howlett's study revealed that the shortest route for the East-West transmission corridor would be system 'Q' involving

86.5 miles and 6,350 acres. System 'S' would take up 98 miles and 7,250 acres. 'T' would take 130 miles at its shortest option and 155 miles at the longest with 11,300 acres involved.

There was no doubt from the general attitude of the meeting that they thought Hydro should take the shortest route and avoid the Acton-Esquesing-Erin-Nasagaweya area altogether.

Bruce Howlett and his study group also seemed to still have an attachment to System 'R' which they had worked out and subsequently had been rejected by Hydro as fraught with hazards in the event of disaster since both transmission lines would have run along it.

It was felt by some in attendance that Mr. Schneider's optional alternative may have solved the BHI problem.

Georgetown youth drowns

William Sutherland, 18 of 49 Jocelyn Crescent, Georgetown, died at 6 a.m. Monday in Toronto General Hospital, after being pulled from the water at Waterfalls Playground Sunday.

Milton OPP said the young man was located in 30 feet of water at the quarry in the park on the Sixth Line, Esquesing, above Limehouse. The quarry is a popular swimming spot.

Resuscitation attempts by other swimmers and firefighters partially revived him but he died after arrival at the Toronto hospital.

Collision injures nine

A collision between a half-ton truck and a car at the intersection of the Town Line and First Line, Erin, adjacent to the Acton Meadows Golf Club, Sunday afternoon, sent nine persons to hospital, two of them rather seriously hurt.

The truck, driven by Robert Murray, 18, of R.R. 1, Acton, had seven people in it when it collided with the car driven by Gerald Gale of Georgetown, about 2 p.m. Robert Murray was admitted to Guelph hospital with nose and wrist fractures and a passenger Brenda Wilson, 13, of Erin was admitted with a fractured pelvis.

Other truck passengers: Jeff Ribble, 16, Brad Martin, 16, both of Acton; Michael Hanousek, 16, R.R. 2, Rockwood; Debbie Chard, 14, of Erin, and Cindy Wilson of Erin were treated for bruises and lacerations and released from hospital.

The car driver, Gerald Gale, and Gary Gale, 15, of Georgetown were also treated for minor injuries and released.

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