



REV. WALTER RIDLEY and Rev. Peter Barrow listen as a faceless and nameless volunteer at North Halton Contact Centre takes a call.

First call to Centre

The first phone call of many in the years ahead, rang into North Halton Contact Centre Thursday night, from the Brampton centre, to officially launch the new service on its way.

Faceless and nameless volunteers will man the phone on a 24-hour basis, lending a listening ear and the hand of friendship, to anyone in trouble.

So far 45 volunteers have

been trained and another 30 are taking the training program.

Rev. Peter Barrow and Rev. Walter Ridley, the only two volunteers who are identified personally with the project, were on hand for the opening in the centre whose whereabouts is also undisclosed.

Rev. Barrow says he anticipates no problem in filling the four hour shifts. He

claims the 3 to 7 p.m. shift is the least popular.

Rev. Barrow said in his previous experience with such a centre in Scotland financial problems, followed by marital problems, topped the list of troubled calls.

A caller does not have to identify himself or herself, and every volunteer is sworn to secrecy on all information they hear.

Brief backs "R" for lines

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Bruce to Essa corridor would avoid the area.

The seventh point from the brief suggests a significant part of the route would be using an existing corridor from Essa to Kleinburg which is 60 feet wide with a capacity for three double line towers and a capacity of six lines. The corridor currently has two lines. They quote a report from Dr. Solandt that Hydro testimony "left me with the feeling they had not exhaustively studied the possibility of increasing the utilization of existing rights of way in order to minimize the need for new land acquisition."

The brief acknowledged there were disadvantages because of the larger diameter of the grid and mileage penalties might result with a possible 52 additional miles of lines required but suggests the penalty would be overcome by having lines close to future generating sites.

Mr. Schneider said requests to Hydro to further outline the disadvantages of the Bruce to Essa line has only resulted in a reply that the corridor could not be considered since it was being saved for a future generating station north of Essa.

The brief takes issue with Hydro's priorities suggesting Hydro would rather cross prime agricultural land with the towers than parallel a highway and questions the value of visual impact along a highway route. It notes this weighting by Hydro contravenes public opinion as expressed by the BHI report where it was stated that 76 percent of the respondents to questionnaires preferred to follow highways and existing corridors.

Mr. Schneider said throughout discussions about the lines that Hydro has expressed an urgency on power requirements for domestic use but thinks this conflicts with press reports that Hydro is negotiating with the United States for the export of excess power. He also took issue with Hydro's intent to deal seriously with public participation since they had lost a map with public input from Eramosa which was only recovered by action from Eramosa councillor Betty Lou Clark.

Hydro statements at an East Garafraxa meeting which indicated all township planning boards had been contacted were untrue, he noted because neither Erin or Eramosa had been contacted. Further promised meetings for further study of the Bruce to Essa route have not yet materialized, Mr. Schneider noted.

He noted Hydro indicated to the group and the Ontario Federation of agriculture that the Bruce generating capacity would be 6200 kW but a week later it was announced it would be going to 5200 kW. The brief contended Hydro has confused BHI and the public regarding the alternate "R" by hiding under the security blanket which was not backed up by figures.

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Music booth work begun

Work has begun on the new music booth at the arena. The Figure Skating Club put up \$250 and the parks and recreation committee \$150 for the project, which will provide better and warmer facilities for playing music.

Temporary holdup is insulation, which is hard to come by these days. Volunteers are doing the construction.

The year 1973 marks the 60th year of 4-H in Canada. 4-H began in 1913 in Roland, Manitoba

Church bids farewell Byrnes go to Indonesia

On Wednesday evening, Acton Baptist Church will say formally farewell to Rev. Frank Byrnes, his wife and daughters whose ministry will conclude Sunday, November 25. This farewell will be in the form of a congregational dinner at 7 p.m. and will be accompanied by many expressions of goodwill and a cash gift from the church.

The Byrnes will be proceeding to Menado, Island of Sulawesi (formerly Celebes) in Indonesia, where Mr. Byrnes will be teaching theology and other related subjects to native pastors who are unable to secure

teaching otherwise.

They go for a five year period after which their visas may or may not be renewed. His congregation here agrees it takes a great deal of courage as well as Christian grace to face so formidable a task with a small family of three, all under eight years.

During their three year stay here, Mr. Byrnes has acted as minister to Acton and to Cheltenham congregations. His long period of training has brought to the Acton congregation, sermons of depth in exploring the Scriptures. Both Mr. and Mrs. Byrnes have brought to

the area a winsome and kindly spirit towards members of the church, and to the community. Mr. Byrnes while at college captured many scholarships, particularly in the realm of New Testament Greek and Old Testament Hebrew.

The Byrnes will be greatly missed by church and congregation.

Planning board

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were provided. Mr. Bradigan said two 10-foot walkways could provide access to the open area.

Applications

Planning board received notice of three applications to the committee of adjustment.

R.J. Mather appeared with Mr. Toft who has purchased a property on Main St. N. directly opposite the street allowance to the industrial park. Mr. Toft applied for amendments to the official plan and the zoning bylaw to change the property from M1 category to R2. He said he wished to build a single family residence on the property and there seemed to be no other practical use for the land. Chairman Bristow said he can't see any reason not to go ahead because it will improve the land. He recognized there could be a problem in that adjoining home owners may flood planning board with requests to have their property changed from M1 (industrial) to residential.

On examination of the planning maps it was found residences south of the lot in question and the property north were all zoned M1.

Planning board agreed to the change and will recommend it to council. Councillor Chapman opposed the motion.

Present were Vje Bristow, Frank Simoni, Bill Campbell, Geyral Chapman and secretary Hugh Patterson. It was reported that chairman Sid Saitz was required to continue to have complete rest for another month and was unable to attend. Also absent were Ldu Bonnette and Norm Elliott.

Bookmobile is shelved

There'll be no bookmobile yet for Esqueping township readers.

Esqueping council Monday agreed to write the township library board informing them they had decided not to proceed with a bookmobile unit.

Councillor Howitt said that innumerable of regional government led council to decide this was not a good time to invest in a bookmobile.

"On top of that" observed deputy-treasurer Coko wryly, "we don't have anything to invest!"

No dance

Due to lack of response, the Chamber of Commerce pre-Christmas dance was cancelled. It was scheduled for last Saturday night at the music centre.

Hydro line

County concedes will send brief

Halton County council Tuesday reversed an earlier decision that council leave presentations to the Solandt Commission up to the local municipalities and other agencies in the county. Council appointed a three man committee to draft a brief which will incorporate points which all local councils and agencies have agreed upon.

The idea was endorsed by a 6-4 vote at county council amidst much skepticism expressed by members. The Solandt Commission will hold a meeting in Milton High School Tuesday night to hear briefs and presentation from groups and councils in this area.

At a meeting Oct. 22 County Council spent the better part of an afternoon discussing various routes and advantages and disadvantages of various routes — only to conclude the council as a body would never agree on any particular route.

The matter of a joint report was reintroduced yesterday by Oakville Reeve Terry Mannell. Mannell asked council to support a resolution that would see the north-south corridor in North Oakville relocated in the 10th Concession rather than in the Ninth Concession where it is presently proposed.

Council defeated that motion. Mannell then proposed a committee be struck to bring forth points of common interest and which all areas of the county agree upon and present that to the Solandt Commission next Tuesday.

That motion carried but very few councillors are expecting any good to come of the work. Pat McKenzie of Acton, Jim Watson of Nassagaweya and Mannell of Oakville will sit on the committee. The committee is

expected to put a brief together and present it at a special meeting of county council next Monday at 1 p.m.

North Oakville Councillor Don Gordon attended the meeting and said he felt the Solandt Commission would recommend the original route proposed by Hydro.

He said the Hydro report was better documented and a more honest and factual report. He said council would have to realize some people would be hurt, no matter where the route went.

He said the Solandt Commission wasn't interested in having someone tell it where the route should go, but rather in pointing out problems of the route proposed by Bruce Howlett, environmental consultant.

"There are a lot of problems", Gordon noted. County council had been criticized by Milton Mayor Brian Best for lack of leadership on the hydro question. Commenting on the Mayor's criticism, Gordon said the Halton council should have drafted a brief.

He said the attitude the county had adopted was a cop-out. "To say you don't know enough about it is nonsense," Gordon said.

Halton Hills Mayor Tom Hill was one of the most outspoken critics of any effort by the county to make representation. He said there would never be a consensus among the county representatives and declared any effort to achieve a consensus would be an utter waste of time.

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JUNIOR LEADERS Danny Lamareche, left, and Mark Rowe, right, fill Cub Mark Dawkins' basket full of red, rosy Canadian apples at the scout house. Scouts and Cubs staged their annual Apple Day Saturday and reported another good response to their annual appeal.

Apple Day Saturday

Scouts and cubs held their annual Apple Day with a good response. Scouts were out starting their annual sale in the pouring rain Thursday, and continued on Friday and Saturday. Cubs joined them Saturday and called door to door.

Group committee members found apple costs up a great deal this year, but were hopeful of a good result. Returns weren't tallied completely yet this week.

Will attend

Halton Roads Committee authorized county engineer Jack Corbett and his assistant Bruce Kitchen to attend the conference of the Association of County Engineers in Toronto Nov. 28, 29 and 30.

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