



ST. ALBAN'S church was filled Sunday afternoon for a special church service for scouts, cubs, guides and brownies. Clergymen of all

churches participated. It's hoped to make this an annual event at the time of Scout and Guide week.



ABOUT 50 Scouts, Cubs, Guides and Brownies marched from the scout hall to St. Alban's church for a special service Sunday afternoon. It's hoped the service will become an annual event, with all clergymen participating. Robert Little choir sang.

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This Friday, Feb. 14 is for  
lovers, it's Valentine's Day.

# Erin residents set up info centre to counter Ontario Hydro information

Ontario Hydro has an information centre set up in the Hillsburgh community centre this week to provide information for property owners affected by the location of the new 500 kV corridor slated to go through the centre of the 4th Concession, Halton Hills and up through Erin township.

"It is almost a 'fait accompli,'" said Leo Vamplew, of Hydro's public relations department. "We hope to have the line built by the end of 1976."

However in the same building is another information centre set up by

residents of the Orton area who oppose a proposed jog in the corridor at a cost of \$1.1 million which they say was instituted to by-pass a particularly influential group of individuals rather than for environmental purposes as Hydro explains.

This group outlined three reasons for their discontent.

1. There is no valid reason for the trade-off which resulted in the jog. (Comparisons of the original route to the jog in figures Hydro provides seems to bear this out).

2. There is an unjustified increase in the cost of construction, amount of land required, numbers of people affected and impact on the landscape.

3. There has never been an independent study of areas involved and they feel unconvinced that Hydro has any "fait accompli" regarding building the corridor. If it must be built it should follow the original proposal along the Fourth Concession, the "loosely knit" residents of Erin suggest.

And they feel with help from the "Concerned Citizens" of North Halton and Wellington and residents of

the Ashgrove area who oppose the corridor that they might just precipitate an independent investigation of the corridor which M.P.P. John Root has said could avoid Erin township altogether if Hydro would use the Bruce to Essa alternative.

The Bruce to Essa proposal would send the corridor from the Bruce generating station to Owen Sound and then south along an existing Essa corridor into the Toronto grid. John Schneider of R.R. 2, Acton, who first proposed the alternative on behalf of the Concerned Citizens of North Halton and Wellington, has maintained that Ontario Hydro would save the \$100 million or so the corridor from Bradley to Georgetown.

Ontario Hydro people have quietly told him they believe he's right. Publicly Hydro still pursues their original intention which they said was decisively concluded July 11, 1974, when then Energy Minister Darcy McKeough gave Hydro a go-ahead based on their environmental studies.

Hydro P. R. man Leo Vamplew says there must be no more delay in the corridor or the huge Bruce power plant will be producing power and Hydro won't be able to feed it to the Toronto-Hamilton-Guelph areas where it is badly needed.

Vamplew says industry takes 52 per cent of power, homes take 24 per cent and the rest is consumed by commercial and large apartment houses and the demand in the Toronto-Hamilton area is increasing rapidly as home owners modernize and enlarge electrical equipment.

Meanwhile, residents of Erin who oppose the corridor maintain a public enquiry is still needed to justify Hydro's proposals. They maintain, along with John Root, that hearings in the past have allowed no one to challenge Hydro proposals.

In the meantime Hydro is proceeding, setting up information booths at Grand Valley Feb. 12 and 13 and at Stewarttown hall on Feb. 17 and 18 to keep residents along the proposed corridor informed of their rights.

## Accident Tuesday

An accident Tuesday night at 10:20 p.m. involved two cars, but no one was injured. A car driven by Michael More, Brock St., struck a parked car on Mill St. E. The parked car was owned by David Baggey, Elora. There was \$300 damage to each car.

## NOTICE to the RESIDENTS of WARD I (Acton)

The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills requires one member to the COMMITTEE of ADJUSTMENT for a ONE YEAR term from Ward I, Acton.

Applications to be received by the Clerk Administrator from residents in Ward I, Acton not later than FEBRUARY 20th, 1975.

G.D. Pritchard,  
Clerk Administrator

## Sewing class beginning

From last term's night school sewing class an interest developed in sewing with basic knits and stretch materials. A new course has been arranged and will begin next Tuesday, Feb. 12, at the high school.

The same teacher, Mrs. Kay Hannah, will instruct. She already has some sewers from her previous class enrolled, but there's room for more. Mrs. Hannah says you don't need a special machine to sew with knits. A lot of the work can be done at home. The other night school classes all began way back in January. This late starter will continue for eight weeks.

## Off road hit tree

Damage was estimated at \$2,500 when a car driven by an Acton woman struck a rock beside Highway 25 a mile north of Five Sideroad Sunday afternoon. Driver Doreen Lee of Acton and two passengers Richard and Russell Lee were all treated at Milton District Hospital for minor injuries, Milton OPP report.

Another Acton man was involved in a two-car collision on Wednesday, Feb. 5 on Highway 25 in the same general area. Stuart Boemer, 4 Clare Ct., Acton and Robert Dueck, R.R. 3, Milton were the drivers of the vehicles, which suffered \$500 total damage.

## Poor drinking water

The region is going to be requested by Halton Hills to look into the poor quality of water at the Seventh Line town offices.

Councillor Len Coxe told the Monday night works committee meeting that water is being brought in by town employees for daily consumption.

The problem has been in existence for some time now and the town hopes the region will get moving on it soon.

## Won't give Board weather, road reports

Halton Hills won't be phoning in reports on road and weather conditions in the rural areas for the Halton Board of Education during the winter months.

It was decided at the Monday night works committee meeting that the town hasn't the facilities to provide a service of this kind for the Board. The Board requested the reports to help them decide if it is safe for school buses to go out in the mornings.

## Severance is granted

Halton land division committee granted a separation to Charles Gilles and Fredamne Gilles Jan. 29. They sought a severance at lots 24 and 25, concession, Halton Hills, at R.R. 1, Acton. There were no objections at the hearing.

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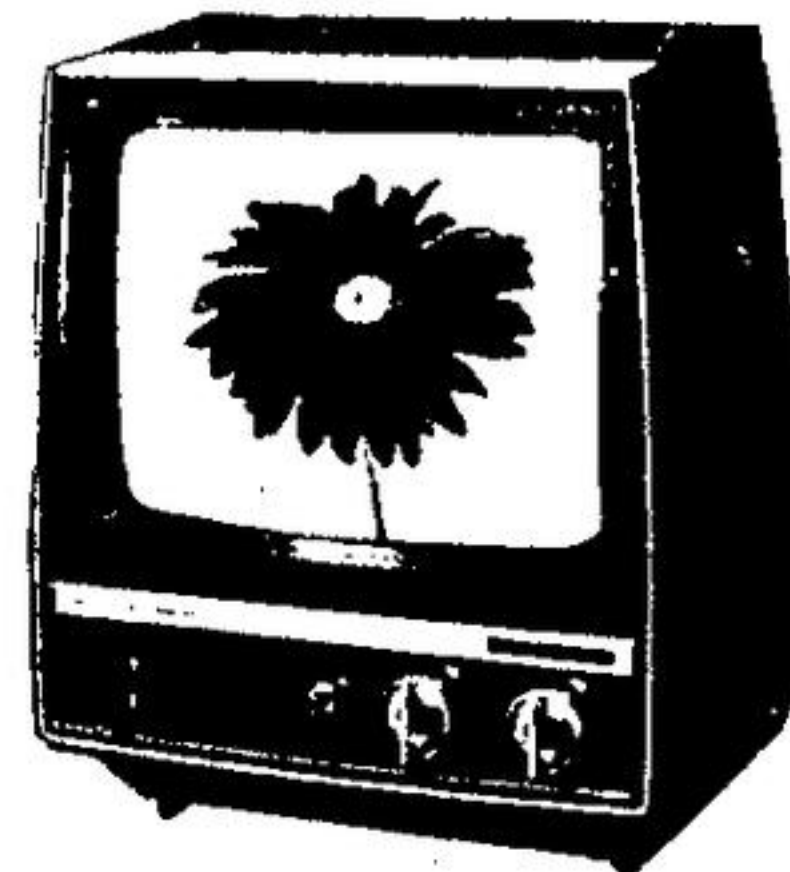
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from the Lads,

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and the other guys we don't know about.

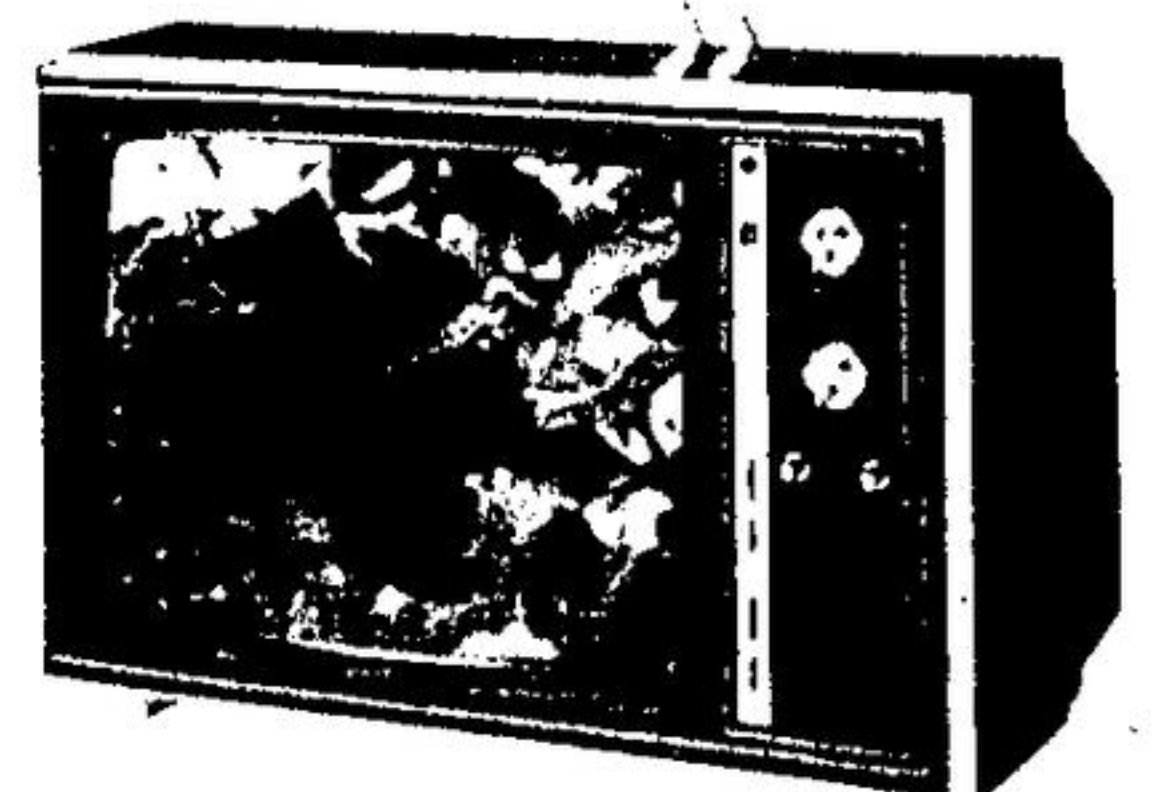
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