# Townships,town unite to fight corridor

town of Halton Hills and the township of Erin, East Garafraxa and East Luther have banned together to ask for an independent study of the need for a 500 kV hydro corridor from Bradley to Halton Hills.

Known as "Interested Citizens from Colbeck to Milton" the group held a meeting in Stewarttown hall Thursday evening to organize Haiton Hills. About 70 farmers and land owners, the majority of them from along the proposed route of the corridor, attend-

"We're organizing the three townships and Halton Hills so we can present a unified front to go in force to the Government and Ontario Hydro," general chairman Bill Mann told those attending including Halton Hills Mayor Tom Hill, Councillor Les Duby and Huron-Bruce M.P.P. Murray Gaunt.

A similar meeting for Erin township residents at Ospringe last week attracted 160 people.

Aims expressed by the group include:

1. Organizing to collectively protect the interests against the "industrial giant Hy-

2. Protect the farming community. 3. To stop Hydro from pushing ahead with the Gradley to Georgetown line and demand an enquiry as to whe-

ther the hydro corridor is

necessary. "We are getting tremendous support from all areas," Mann claimed.

Schnelder speaks Vice-chairman John Schneider of Erin township, a Brampton industrialist, reviewed the history of opposition to the corridor over the last three years. He contends Ontario Hydro defined the area for the corridor without studying all the alternatives. "We are asking that all the

alternatives be explored. He said the case was more complicated than previous

decisions regarding lines in the Chatham and Wingham areas and stems from the east-west study of the Solandt

north-south (Bradley to which most people were not --- west study ended at the Niaup to his one man commission to name the point where the corridor crossed the Escarpment. He decided the best point would be at Limehouse and the rest of the corridor hinged on that decision, although Hydro still has to take a corridor to Kitchener,

through Limehouse. He noted Gordon Kidd of the Sixth Line, Halton Hills representing the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, has sent a letter to Premier William Davis asking why the Bruce to Essa proposal had been left out of the study area since it was after the Solandt hearings they discovered

The group also learned that there was an existing 500 kV corridor from Essa (near Camp Borden) to Toronto with additional capacity for 12,000 megawatts, which is as much power as is being used in Ontario today.

They were obviously expanding the Bruce-to-Essa-Toronto corridor, so why not study this alternate instead of pushing another multi-million dollar line through Class A farm land from Limehouse to Bruce, Schneider asked? Although some Hydro people agreed it was an acceptable alternative, Hydro refused to change their tune.

Hydro decided the corridor would go through Limehouse in 1967 and they are still going through Limehouse in 1975, Schneider noted.

Mr. Kidd wrote the premier to say information had been withheld by Hydro at the Solandt Commission hearing but Mr. Davis said the matter had never been brought up.

Then came the new Minister of the Environment-Darcy McKeough who sald he was waiting for the environmental report before it was Essa to Toronto corridor for decided whether there should be a public enquiry into the north-south corridor.

"But." said Schneider, "roughly one month after Mr. McKeough wrote the letter outlining his position he decided where the corridor was going to go."

The environmental report was issued December 28, 1974, six months after Mr. McKeough made his decision. Then Mr. McKeough left for a new portfolio.

"We've got reasonable cause to ask for an independent study," Schneider told the audience. He said both Government and Hydro were discriminating against people along the corridor if one was not made because other areas of the province were accorded the courtesy.

Safety factor Walter Scott, a safety engineer from R.R. 3, Georgetown, said there were hazards "The nemesis is where the living close to a 500 kV line of Georgetown) line joins the aware. Those closest to the east-west corridor. Dr. Sol- line would have the greatest andt decided that since the exposure. He claimed the boundary limits of the east- corridor would draw in electrical storms from three to gara Escarpment it would be five miles away and there would be substantial T.V. and radio interference especially where towers blocked T.V.

> He said even Ontario Hydro admitted leakage from 230 kV lines to such an extent it made getting on and off a vehicle a problem, and enumerated instances where cattle would graze on one side or the other but would not feed under the line. He said it has been known for machines to start up on their own and others won't start when they are under the line's influence, citing the safety factors this could involve.

Ontario Hydro owned a site Huron-Bruce M.P.P. Mur-

# Ospringe meet opposes hydro

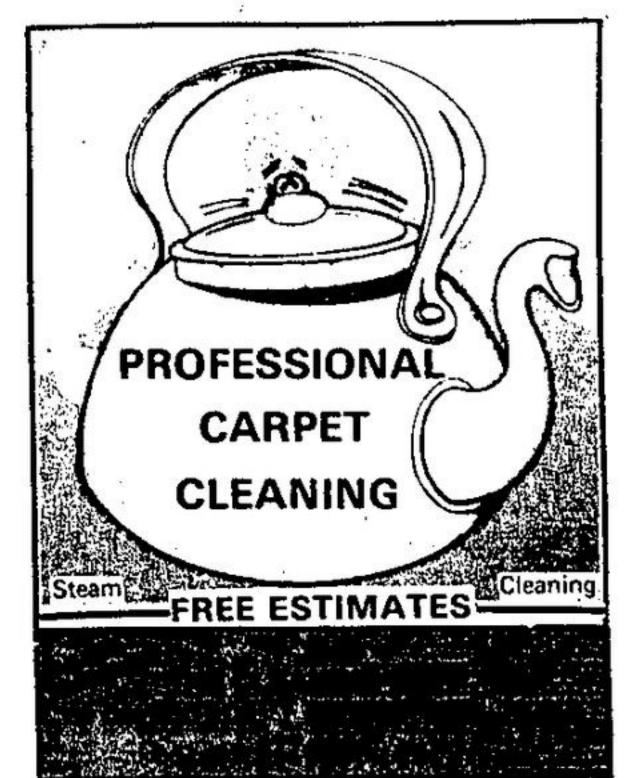
The first public meeting asking for a public inquiry called by a group known as into the power line conthe Committee of Interested troversy. Citizens was attended by about 200 at Ospringe school John Root told them he Tuesday, March 4. The group supported their stand in was formed three weeks ago asking for an enquiry. Erin to gather together all the reeve Donald Matheson said groups opposed to the Ontario he will call a meeting of the Hydro's Bradley Junction to new committee and his Georgetown power tran- council. He hopes to get council support for a public smission line.

Representatives from inquiry. Halton Hills, Erin, East No hy Garafraxa and East Luther attended the meeting. townships attended. Petition

Wellington-Dufferin MPP

No hydro representatives Meeting chairman William

Mann said he will meet with The majority of those local councils to gather present signed a petition support for the inquiry'



for another generating ray Gaunt spoke briefly to the station on Delphi Point, near meeting noting the problem Collingwood.

began in his riding at Douglas Point, pointing out Hydro's almost infallible decisions of the past were being questioned especially in his riding where in the corridor from Douglas Point to Bradley Junction they decided to jog around a bog and use good agricultural land. The official reason was that Hydro did not want to bother the spotted turtles in the bog, a reason

accepted with some cynicism but accepted nevertheless. Then it was revealed the spotted turtles did not exist in the bog-they were further south near Sarnia. Public confidence in Hydro's competence decreased accordingly.

He pointed out Hydro's projections of escalating power needs were found to be inaccurate because the peak power period of the year in December, 1974 was substantially lower than in December, 1973, indicating there could be major miscalculations for the province.

"I couldn't understand why they wanted a Bradley to Georgetown corridor but is has been revealed Hydro wants to keep the existing future Northern develop-

Mr. Gaunt said that all the power produced at the Bruce nuclear power plant could be transmitted in that existing right-of-way using only onethird, leaving two-thirds for northern power plants.

Now there's another reason-it also assures Hydro of another power plant on Lake

Gaunt said the battle had just begun and urged the audience to get in and beat down the door of the Minister of Energy because cracks in the facade were showing. A question and answer per-

lod followed in which Norman Bird suggested Hydro should level with farmers so they could plan their operations much like Hydro tries to do. Former hockey star Pierre

Pilote, a resident of the area, said he wanted to fight "this thing" and urged the meeting to come up with something concrete they could put their teeth into. Other speakers urged farmers and land owners along the route to beg time by refusing land survey)rs permission to come on their Reford Gardhouse chaired

the meeting.



### Pet of the week

TIBBS IS THE NAME of this week's pet. He is a ten-month-old dog, part German Shepherd and Collie who was rescued from an early grave at birth and taken home to the Clifford family of Eden Mills. Since that time Tibbs has managed to steal the hearts of the six Clifford children who love and cherish him. He is seen after a bout of puck chasing at the local rink, with his pal Terry Clifford, 14, one of his adoring masters.

### Authority

## Authorizes appraisal

At a special meeting of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority, Thursday, a motion was passed to authorize appraisal of the Starret farm north of Glen Williams preparatory to purchase for the Silvercreek Conservation

The property consists of 101 acres adjacent to the conser-

vation area, less 25 acres comprising farm homes and buildings. A request was received to allow additional separation of two small lots in return for a 50 per cent reduction in overall price.

was against their principles confined to hospital, or and voted to have the 76 acre otherwise unable to care for parcel appraised as a whole, them.

#### PENTECOSTAL **TABERNACLE** P.A.O.C. 33 Churchill Rd. N.

Churchill Road North Minister: The Rev. A. Walter Fosbury, B.A., M. DIV. 124 Tidey Avenue Phone 853-2386

Sunday, Mar. 16th, 1975 11.00 a.m. Worship and Church School, Service in charge of members of congregation.

CHURCHILL

COMMUNITY

CHURCH

The church on the hill is an Interdengminational congregation, ministering to the needs of the community. All Welcome

#### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA KNOX CHURCH, ACTON

Rev. Andrew H. McKenzle, B.A., B.D.-Minister Mr. E. A. Hansen, B.A. Organist and Choir Master

Sunday, Mar. 16th 1975 9.45 a.m.-Minister's Confirmation Class for Teenagers (withdrawn this Sunday).

Beginners, Kindergarten and Grades 1 to B. 11.00 a.m.-Public Worship of God. Guest Preacher: The Rev. Joseph E. Taylor of Guelph. Nursery for bables and toddlers during service. Everyone Most Welcome

#### UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA TRINITY CHURCH, ACTON

Rev. W. Eric Nelson, M.A., B.D.-Minister Dr. George Elliott, M.A., Ph. D. Director of Music

Sunday, Mar. 16, 1975 Flith in Lent

10.00 an-Public Worship: Sermon: "How Plousness Keeps Us from Knowing

Jesus" Sunday Church School Everyone Welcome

HELP FOR MOMS Red Cross homemakers cared for almost 13,000 children last year while their The Authority decided this mothers were temporarily

# EVANGEL

Church Services

Rev. S. M. Thoman, Pastor 853-2715

Sunday, Mar. 16th, 1975 10.00 a.m.-Sunday School 11.00 a.m.-Morning Worship

Service. 7.00 p.m.-Evening Evangelislic Service. Tuesday

> 8.00 a.m.-Prayer Service and Bible study. Thursday 6.00 p.m.—Crusaders Friday 8.00 p.m.--Chrisl's Ambassadors

ALLARE WELCOME! Excellent free town Bus service for children and adults to and from Sunday School on the "All Red Bus." Also Rural pick-up. For Information phone 853-2715 or 853 0766.

2. Peter 1:19 "We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawns and the day-11.00 a.m.—Church School for star arise in your hearts."

#### BETH-EL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

(Churchill Rd. and Hwy. 7) Minister: Rev. J. Corvers

Sunday, Mar. 16th, 1975

Sunday Worship Services at 10.00 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. Preschool Sunday School during the morning service. Sunday school during the afternoon

You Are Welcome

#### BAHA'I FAITH

You are warmly invited to attend a fireside discussion every Friday evening at 8.30 p.m. Phone 877-3497. When someone appears who claims to fulfill the pro-

phecies, it is important that we examine his claim with open, unprejudiced minds. Should he be an Impostor, the fraud will soon be discovered and no harm will be done, but wee to all who carelessly turn God's Messenger from the door because He comes in an unexpected form or time.

#### THE CHURCH OF ST. ALBANTHE MARTYR

1872-Anglican-1974 Corner Willow St. and St. Alban's Dr Rev. Leonard Ewing

Rector

Hall to discuss family life in

the 70's. We would invite all

those who are Interested to

attend — Topic: Working

Director of Music Mrs. Frank Oakes Thursday, Mar. 13 Mid Week Lenten Service 7.30 p.m.—Holy Eucharist 8.15 p.m.—Meeting In Parish

Parents Sunday, Mar. 16, 1975 Passion Sunday

9.00 a.m.-Holy Eucharist 10.30 a.m.-Holy Eucharist 10.30 a.m.-Church School and Nursery.

#### MAPLE AVENUE **BAPTIST CHURCH** 177 Maple Ave.,

Georgetown. (A Fellowship Baptist Church) Pastor: Rev. Robt. C. Lohnes

Associate Pastor: Rev. Don Gorrie. Sunday, Mar. 16th, 1975 9.45 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.

6.30 p.m.--Evening Fellowship. Thought—Peace rules the day when Christ rules the mind.

11.00 a.m.-Morning Worship

A Friendly Welcome Awalts You

#### **ACTON BAPTIST** CHURCH

80 Mill Street East, Founded 1842 Pastor: Mr. Das Sydney

B. Sc. Pastor's Phone-853-1835 Thursday, Mar. 13

Sunday, Mar. 16th, 1975 9.45 a.m.—Sunday School

7.00 p.m.-Choir Practice

11.00 a.m.-Morning 7.00 p.m.-Evening Fellowship at the Lands borough home.

Tuesday, 7.30 p.m. Teacher training with Jerry Cooke. Everyone Welcome

### Region building

Milton's chances of having regional headquarters situated within town boundaries were all but eliminated when regional council turfed out a recommendation by Chairman Allan Masson several months ago. Mr. Masson bad recommended the council take an option on the Willmott property at the southwest corner of Highway 25 and Derry Rd.

That action was taken several months ago but became public for the first time during a press conference Chairman Masson held Thursday morning.

"We could have had an option on the Willmott property. I presented it to council and they threw it out. Now they wished they hadn't," Masson

### New job

Appointments of Don Morrier, Manager of Regional Operations and Maintenance and James Preston of the roads department as regional weed inspectors has been approved by Halton's Administration Committee.

The appointments involve no extra pay. Each municipality is required to appoint a weed inspector as well.



GEORGETOWN

THE SWEAT BOX.

your permanent press will be permanently

wrinkled. But at least you'll be setting a

whole new trend in fashion. Think of the

individuality you'll achieve as a prune.

By letting your dryer run on endlessly.

# How to waste energy, without lifting a finger.

#### YOUR FIRST TAP LESSON.

Why bother shutting a tap of? Show your friends what an affluent person you are. After all, wasting as much as 40 gallons of hot water a day, and a lot of pure. Natural gas energy certainly makes an



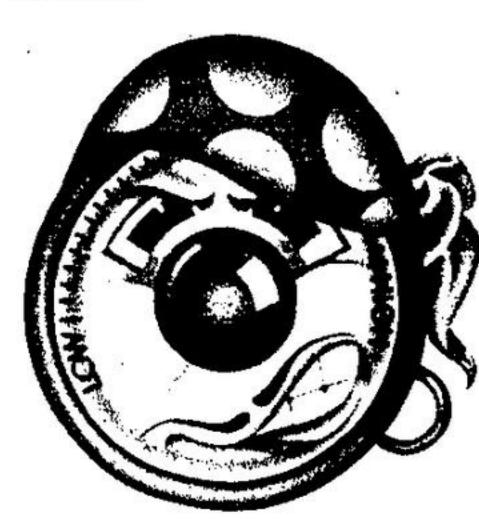
#### THE GREAT ESCAPE.

Don't bother insulating. Let your walls breathe. Of course, heat may be escaping in winter and air conditioning in summer. But that insulation stuff is so itchy anyway.



#### BRING THE OUTDOORS INDOORS.

Never lift a tinger to shut the window. Once again, you may be wasting heat, but all that fresh air will qualify you as a gennine nature box with a genuine year 'round cold.

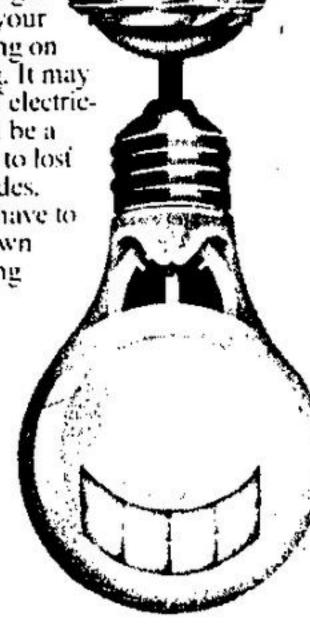


#### THE WHEEL OF FORTUNE.

Pick a number. Any number. But keep that thermostat wheel spinning. If you're lucky, you might even reach 100. In any case you're bound to win a fortune in heating bills.

#### LET YOUR LITTLE LIGHT SHINE.

Here's a bright idea! Leave your indoor lighting on all night long. It may be a waste of electricity, but you'll be a guiding light to lost aircraft. Besides. you'll never have to waste your own energy flicking them off.



#### CREATE A BURNING SENSATION.

Here's a new quickie recipe idea you can create just by never turning the gas down on your stove. Let the flame cook the sides of your pan as well as the handle for an unusual flavour sensation. Charcoal flavoured steamed vegetables. They're sure to jar even the least discriminating taste





If you fail to see the logic in all of this, then lift a finger. Now point it at yourself.

Energy conservation starts with you. And you can be a great help. Just by remembering to do all those little things that are so hard to remember.

And much as we hate to preach. we have to. Because some people are still wasting energy.

So think before you waste. It's your

own money you're saving. Remember. Lift a finger to keep that pot from boiling over. Shut the windows, Keep the thermostat set at a constant temperature. Insulate. Shut the taps completely off.

In other words, do your part. Now lift your whole hand and give yourself a pat on the back, from all of us, at Union Gas.

# WNION GAS

Natural Gas. Energy that's worth saving.