away, we have been busy thinking about all the things we have to do to prepare for it. All our cookie money was given to our Deputy District Commissioner and our share will help go towards camp too, if necessary.

Monday found us planting new seeds and flowered plants into little boxes. Each brownie took home a selection. We decided to do it by the Dam as the evening was warm and lovely. Except for the mosquitoes, we had a good time.

The Monday previously, was a busy evening with our new brownie Tracy Bradburn enrolled, and a brownie Carrie Kirton from the Campbellville pack who is joining the Eden Mills Guides had her fly-up ceremony with us. Her Brown Owl, Mrs. Clegg, parents of both girls, and Mrs. very well. Chesworth with a group of guides, joined us for the even-

much information as we can on the "New Orleans Mardi Gras". We have chosen this for our camp theme this year. Fortunately, hot dogs are one of the symbolic dishes which we know will be acceptable with all the brownies. With everything in green gold and purple which are the official colours, we are all set with paints, icing sugar, jellies, balloons, costumes, masks, and a large mural on the wall to set the scene for the big parade. We plan on having our parade followed by a bonfire on the Saturday evening.

#### 1st. Eden Mills **Guide Company**

Mrs. Edna Balmer, our South Wellington Division Commissioner, visited our meeting to present prizes from the Division Crest competition. As second prize winner Sharon Vox received a

#### Student graduates



Stephen Webster

Stephen Webster, son of Walter and Mary Webster of 131 Station St., Rockwood, recently graduated from Centralia College of Agricultural Technology in the animal Realth Technology program.

Stephen plans to work for Dr. S. Alkomede, Dr. Turnbull, Dr. Bach, Dr. McCall, Dr. Johnston, Seaforth Animal Clinic, Seaforth, Ontario.

With camp only a few days beautiful handcrafted maple leaf pin made by Mrs. Balmer herself, and both Sharon and Delia Chesworth, who received an honourable mention for her design, were given one of the new crests.

Many Guides and their leaders assisted in the annual Eden Mills Community Club membership drive on Saturday May 8.

Our Guides are progressing well with their map and compass work and three of them joined the Spring Orienteering meet of the Gueloh Gators in Arkell last weekend. Towards their artist badge some Guides have spent two weeks experimenting with printing and trying the varied techniques of stencilling, stamping, potato, onion and turnip prints, hectograph duplicating, and linocuts which are turning out

First aid After four weeks of First Aid instruction from Mr. John We are busy collecting as Ford of the St. John Ambulance Brigade 15 Guides were tested by examiner Mrs. Douglas of Guelph. Everyone was very nervous but after being presented with three 'cases' the girls were into the swing of things and all passed. St. John badges were presented at the close of the examination much to the delight of the girls who rushed home to show their parents.

One father immediately asked his daughter "What would you do if I fainted?". and her mother coming in a few minutes later asked exactly the same question! We didn't hear the answer but remember Mrs. Douglas' words "We hope that you never HAVE to perform First Aid, but it is comforting to know that you can."

Our new First Aiders are Tammy Allsop, Christina Bell, Margarita Bell, Iona Chesworth, Paula Hayward, Sarah Hayward, Michelle Heard, Sherry Kirton, Anne Masson, Ann Schwartzenburg, Rachelle Tarrant, Audrey Van Driel, Kathy Van Rhijn, Michelle Wallace, and Lisa Webb.

# Next round in corridor fight won't call election: MPPs

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Even if government policy

on the hydro corridor does

receive a slap on the wrist by

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land acquisitions by Ontario

Hydro along the route are

not shortly granted, Mr. Reed

told the audience, there will

probably be legal delays of up

The ICG is encouraging

farmers, whose land falls into

the corridor, to delay as long

as possible Ontario Hydro's

attempts at land acquistion.

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dejected and leave it in the

tee," a lady in the audience

"You can put as many legal

blocks in their (Hydro's) path

as you can to delay, delay,

Leonard Manion, R.R. 2 Conn, told the audience that

farmers in the northern port-

ions of the line, near Hanover

and Durham, bave blocked

Ontario Hydro from their

land and will continue to until

delay," Mr. Mann said.

"What can people do? We

expected to continue.

to two years.

the Erin meeting.

into power.

these days", ICG chair-

man Bill Mann said at

the Bradley to Georgetown route. hydro corridor may be fought at Queen's Park, but no clear cut decision is expected, say two Liberal MPPs.

Speeches by Julian Reed (L. Halton-Burlington) and David Peterson (L. London Centre) focused on the soonto-be-completed report by the ahead for construction of the select committee on hydro rates which is expected by the

Mr. Reed, of Norval, and Liberal energy critic Peterson said they hoped to get a debate based on the report in the legislature. Mr. Reed. who sits on the all-party committee, told 160 area residents at Erin last Wednesday, that he is attempting to include in the report a call for an independent study of the 500,000 watt corridor.

Both the Liberals and New Democratic Party (NDP) adopted the Interested Citizen's Group's ICG) position on the corridor question. The ICG wants a non-Ontario



to keep on fighting.

MPP David

Peterson told the ICG at Erin. He told the group

The next round in the fight Hydro study carried out on for an independent study of the Bradley-Georgetown

ICG

The meeting, sponsored by the ICG was called to discuss citizens' rights, but was dominated by the corridor issue. Ontario Energy Minister Dennis Timbrell, on April 7, gave Ontario Hydro the go

power line. The corridor is to carry power produced at the Bruce nuclear generating station to Metro Toronto and area. The ICG maintains that the route selected by the corporation is longer and more expensive than alternate routes. One such alternate path would parallel an existing power line from the Bruce, on Lake Huron to Essa, near Lake Simcoe, where it would tie into another existing line going north and south.

The select committee on hydro rates was struck to prepare guide lines for Ontario Hydro for the next ten to 15 years. Mr. Reed said that if he is unable to include in the committee's report a section on the Bradley-Georgetown if an election puts the NDP issue, then he will write a minority report.

Even if the select committee's report is tabled, a debate fought and vote taken - with the minority Tory government losing, Premier William Davis may not choose to interpret the result as a vote of confidence, Mr. - If an independent study is Peterson said.

Election "I personally don't think the premier will call an election on this issue. That is the political reality," Mr. Peterson said

There are four seats at stake along the corridor's route, Mr. Reed said, and added that three of them are held by Liberals.

"Your case is legitimate, hands of the select commitfair and just", Mr. Peterson told the ICG, "Please keep

Mr. Peterson agreed with ICG chairman Bill Mann that if the combined Liberal-NDP defeated the Davis government in a House vote, the Conservatives would have a moral obligation to accept the select committee's report.

NDP leader Stephen Lewis, at another ICG sponsored meeting at Durham last ownership falls to the cormonth, committed his party poration in about 13 months.

Neighbors of Mr. Manion, an ICG member, surrounded one Ontario Hydro car parked near the Manion home last week. Farmers used tractors and manure spreaders to block the car's path for about two hours. A second corporation vehicle had air released

from all four tires. The ICG has repeatedly called for a non-Hydro study of the Bruce to Georgetown line. Queen's Park responded with lengthy series of meetings by the environmental Hearing Board (EHB) at Hillsburgh last summer.

The board's report, presented last December, called for a minor change in the direction of the line. Energy Minister Dennis Timbrell asked the EHB to examine one portion of the line, between Limehouse and Col-"I'M HOPEFUL that beck.

take up the power corridor question at the ICG's request, but he was told that cabinet policy is not in the ombudsman's jurisdiction Truth

"I'm hopeful that the truth will prevail one of these days", Mr. Mann told listen-

Arthur Maloney attempted to

MPP Reed said that Ontario Hydro claims its growth pattern for energy consumption shows a 6.9 per cent increase per annum.

Energy consumption in other areas of North America has slackened off, Mr. Reed said. One expert, Mr. Reed did not name, predicts that the growth pattern for energy consumption in Ontario will diminish immediately.

Mr. Reed prefaced his remarks by saying he had no

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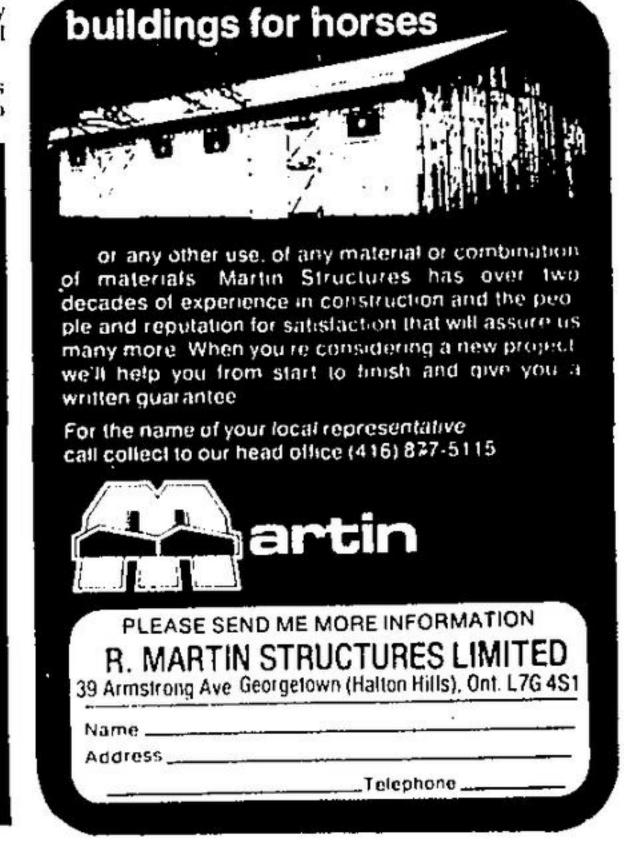
Ontario Ombudsman concrete information, but: "It appears to me that the reduction of the growth rate in Ontario has started and if it continues for 18 months, we'll see a new growth pattern. Something Ontario Hydro did

not count on". The corporation has the ability to cut down costs, Mr. Reed said, "When Ontario Hydro was told to decrease \$5-billion in capital expenditures, they came up with a plan in three weeks to accommodate the cut", he said.

Next holiday is next Monday, May 24-Victoria Day, More holidays are scheduled July 1, Aug. 1 and Sept. 6.

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THREE OF the four provincial seats along the corridor are held by Liberals, MPP Julian Reed said. Mr.: Reed said he'd write a minority report if the select committee report fails to call for an independent study.



# Reed - Smith bid for hydro study

Liberal Leader Dr. Stuart Smith and Julian Reed M.P.P., Halton Burlington, met with the Minister of Energy and ministry officials Monday morning, in an attempt to persuade the Minister to authorize an independent study of the Bradley-Georgetown corridor, as requested by the Interested Citizens Group.

According to a statement from Reed's office, "Stuart Smith expressed his deep the summer cottages this been misted into believing Drive carefully. that public participation would affect hydro's decision.

"The Minister on the other hand, stated that the line from Bruce to Milton had really been determined by Dr. Solandt's decision to place the connection at Milton, and that subsequent studies were concerned with minor changes.

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"He also contended that an independent study may take up to two years, and would be just as costly as fighting legal

> "In spite of the Minister's lack of co-operation, the Liberal party will continue to press for an independent study", Reed said.

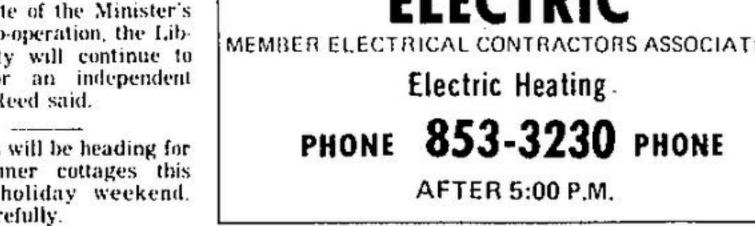
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sult through expropriation

Folks will be heading for concern that the people had coming holiday weekend.

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