

OUR READERS WRITE:

Co-operation on school

Copies of the following letters were given to The Free Press.
October 29, 1976.

Mr. H. Sherk, Chairman
Halton Roman Catholic Separate School Board,
830 Drury Lane,
Burlington, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Sherk:

At the meeting of October 28, 1976 The Halton Board of Education gave unanimous support to the following motion.
Moved by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Goodin:
"THAT the Stone school at Robert Little Public School in Acton be leased to the Halton Roman Catholic Separate School Board for instructional purposes, and that students there have the use of specialized facilities in our schools in Acton on a limited basis as available, all in accordance with the attached Memorandum of Agreement."

Carried.
It is a source of pride to the members of our Board that cooperative attitudes and planning, by both the Board and staff, have resulted in this proposal. Making the best possible use of the facilities and resources entrusted to us by the public is obviously a high priority with your Board as it is with ours. We are confident that this attitude of cooperation will extend to the school level

Mr. Timbrell

Why ram corridor through?

R.R. 2, Conn. Ont.,
Nov. 8, 1976.
An Open Letter to Hon. Dennis Timbrell,
Ontario Energy Minister.

Dear Sir:
It appears the public relations department of Ontario Hydro, which you direct, is working overtime in a desperate attempt to persuade residents along Hydro's proposed high-voltage line between Bruce and Milton that the line won't affect them. We are simply trying to inform the people about the possible effect of these huge, high voltage lines when they run close to where people work and live. We will continue to write letters and do anything else necessary to stop this terrible corner-to-corner crossing of our land until questions are answered to our satisfaction.

Despite the soothing platitudes uttered by yourself and by Hydro's public relations men, you appear determined to ram this route through without an independent study of alternate routes.

Why?
You have made it clear that, regardless of the results of the Durham Hearing of Necessity held several months ago, this line will proceed. Why?

We have your letter of Oct. 6 to us in which you say that our concerns were all answered by Hydro's experts at the Hillsburgh Environmental Hearing Board last summer. Mr. Timbrell, those hearings raised more questions than they answered, and provided not a single guarantee.

More recently we have Hydro's letters to newspaper editors complaining about the number of letters we and the other farm families along the route are writing.

Hard hit by Ont. hydro

R. R. 2, Conn. Ont.,
Nov. 9, 1976

Dear Sir:

Ontario Hydro, in its attempt to discredit anyone who objects to its proposed Bruce to Milton high-voltage transmission line, has made me out to be a fool or a liar.

I am neither.
I am a beef cattle farmer whose operation will be hard-hit by Hydro's stupid and arrogant plan to push this monstrous 500,000 volt line corner-to-corner across my farm.

In reply to a recent letter of mine to newspaper editors, Hydro's Public Relations man Len Taylor states that I own property NEAR the proposed line. The proposed line would cross my farm corner-to-corner, complete with support towers and the acknowledged hazards of working and living under these lines.

Hydro's and the Davis Government's abortive attempts to discredit me and the almost 1,000 farmers who object to this line must fail.

and that all of the children involved will benefit.

Yours truly,
(Mrs.) Judy Alexander,
Chairman.

November 4, 1976.

Mrs. Alexander,
Halton Board of Education,
250 Guelph Line North,
P.O. Box 5005,
Burlington, Ontario,
L7R 3Z2.

Dear Mrs. Alexander:

Thank you for your letter of October 29th, 1976. I note with pleasure the decision of the Halton Board of Education in the matter of the Board's approval to the Acton school motion.

I too, view with pride, the manner in which negotiations were conducted and the continuing cooperative attitude that has been a factor in relationships between both school boards. The Trustees of the Separate School Board unanimously approved the Memorandum of Agreement at its regular meeting of October 26th, 1976, and view the establishment of the first separate school in Acton in a cooperative undertaking with the Board of Education as a significant event.

I am confident, like yourself, that this spirit of cooperation will continue in the 'day to day' operation of the two schools to the benefit of the children and parents of both school systems.

Sincerely,
H. B. Sherk,
Chairman.



HOME OF TED Allen, at 21 Mill St., was the scene of excitement last Wednesday afternoon when Acton Volunteer Firefighters were called to put out a fire concentrated in the floor joists.

Thawing out method causes basement fire

Firefighters and spectators rushed to 21 Mill Street W. last Wednesday afternoon to a fire at the home of Ted Allen.

Acton fire chief Mick Holmes said Mr. Allen was thawing some pipes in the basement when sparks flew up and set the floor joists on fire. The firefighters were then summoned.

Blackout concern prompts code use

To comply with Ontario Hydro's wishes, the Acton Hydro Commission is making plans to code each industry or business so it can be determined where the most juice is being used.

pointed out a computer in Guelph would do the job for \$75. The commissioners wondered what would be the best method of doing the work, and decided to hold the discussion over to another meeting.

In a letter to the local commission, the Ontario Hydro said they are concerned about blackouts (total loss of electricity for periods of time due to overloading) and brown-outs (partial loss of electricity). They said they are mainly interested in businesses and industries, at this time.

Office manager Audrey Urquhart explained that each electrical device within the business will be coded and catalogued either manually or by a computer. She explained the work will take two weeks, manually, and must be updated every three months. Mrs. Urquhart continued to say that if the computer is used, the information still has to be collected by a living person before it can be fed into the machine which would do the coding. She

denied free driving, not handing out tickets."

Staff Sergeant Grainger added the number of accidents in his district was down by about 60 from last year.

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OPP CB base at Milton to monitor emergencies

In about three weeks the Milton detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police will be the latest participants in the CB network.

As part of a pilot project, the OPP is planning to monitor the emergency citizen's band radio channel between Milton and London along Highway 401 installing CB base stations at London, Woodstock, Kitchener and Milton.

Staff Sergeant Alex Grainger of the Milton OPP thought the project would be beneficial to the police.

Emergency alert
"If a person with a CB

comes across an accident it would be quite simple to call in on the emergency channel and advise us where it is," he said. "It might save minutes of reporting time. It wouldn't save hours because no one has ever waited hours to have the accident reported."

The estimated cost of installing the four stations is \$4,500, according to Inspector Raymond Kowall of Toronto who is co-ordinating the project.

Ted Butline, a Communications Engineer working with the OPP, said the project will be tested in the next few months and if it proves feasible they could be recommending it to police forces across Canada as a secondary method for public access to the police.

Co-ordinate search
Mr. Butline said he saw further possibilities for the project to include CB'ers working with the police in co-ordinated searches for lost children and escaped prisoners.

Sometime in the future, Mr. Butline thought it might be possible to supply regular information over the CB radio including weather, and locations of collisions in order to avoid pile-ups on the road. Mr. Butline said there were presently about 90,000 licensed CB radios in Ontario which is almost double the amount in June 1975 when there were only 48,000 licensed.

"And remember there are a considerable number of unlicensed ones too," he added. Staff Sergeant Grainger said the OPP was not concerned about drivers using CB radios to warn other motorists of speed traps.

"If it slows down the CB'ers it works to our and everybody's advantage," he said. "We're concerned about acci-



FOR OPEN House at the Toronto-Dominion Bank last Friday, manager John Bumstead had corsages for the staff. Here he pins on flowers for head teller Leslie Walsh, 235 Kingham Rd., while Conestoga student Vera Stokov, R.R. 2, watches. Vera was on a "work week" from Conestoga where she is taking a teller-cashier course.

Milton will participate in a four-town winter carnival at Kelso Conservation Area in February, it was agreed Monday.

Burlington, Oakville, Milton and Halton Hills recreation staffers have been meeting regularly to plan a co-operative effort using the facilities and snow-making

On Monday, December 6, 1976

RE-ELECT

"LES" DUBY

To Area Council
for (ward I) Acton
Halton Hills

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- THE NEW OFFICIAL PLAN
- THE NEW ZONING REGULATIONS
- THE CONTROLLED GROWTH OF OUR COMMUNITY IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF EVERYONE WHO WILL LIVE IN ACTON, NOW AND IN THE FUTURE
- IMPROVED RELATIONS BETWEEN COUNCIL - STAFF - AND TAXPAYER
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DUBY, L.A.

\$235,000

Claude F. Pickett of Hornby continues to make history in the cattle business and last week he sold a pregnant Holstein cow for \$235,000 to set a new world record price for a cow.

Hanover Hill Barb, a three-year-old bred artificially to the Holstein breed's greatest sire ABC Reflection Sovereign, went to \$235,000 under auctioneer Tom Hays at Hays Sales Arena in Oakville on Monday, Nov. 8. The price beat the previous world record, \$200,000, the same Mr. Pickett received last May when he sold Romandale Reflection Christy at a Hays sale.

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