



MICHAEL RUSIANI has been in traction for 92 days following a car-bike collision on Churchill Rd. last May. All that remains of Michael's injuries are a still leg, and a ruined summer. The 14-year-old just got out of the hospital last week. Here, he looks over his scrapbook of get-well cards. See Page 12 for story.

## Over 2,500 youngsters are back at school today

Enrolment is up substantially in St. Joseph's Separate School and Acton high school, but down in the public schools in the Acton area.

St. Joseph's reports a total enrolment of 162 as of yesterday (Tuesday). This is up from 116 the school started with last September, and slightly up from the projected figures.

A portable classroom was brought in last week to accommodate the overflow and is now all ready to be used.

Miss Elizabeth Crinnis and Brian Morris are the newcomers to the staff this year. Miss Crinnis will be teaching grades four and five, and Mr. Morris, the sevens and eights. Principal Sean Briggs, who taught that grade half time last year will now be the resource reading teacher

as well as looking after his principal's duties. Rudy Lipp, who shared the class with Mr. Briggs, will be teaching full time at Holy Cross school in Georgetown, where he taught part time last year.

Acton high school will be seeing a total of 770 students this year, up from 730 last September. These figures do not include those who register the first day of school.

New to the staff are: principal Wally Watkins, who replaced Dean Fink; Barbara Johnson, who is taking Mary Louise Cayer's spot in the commercial department; math teacher Elizabeth Farrell; math and English teacher Al Wilson; science teacher Tom Wright; and David Dewdney, who is replacing Clarence Rognvaldsen in the shop department. Both Mr. Rognvaldsen

and Mrs. Cayer have retired. McKenzie-Smith middle school enrolment is down from last year. As of yesterday (Tuesday) it stood at 430. Principal Gary Dawkins points out, however, that this is close to the projected enrolment.

There will be no new full time teachers, but there will be some staff changes. Norma Silcock will be dividing her time between the middle school and M.Z. Bennett, as remedial resource teacher. She replaces Jean Dunlop. The school lost teacher Brad Fisher due to the projected decline. He has gone to W.I. Dick middle school in Milton.

Although M.Z. Bennett school enrolment totals were not quite known at press time, it was known they were close to 400 students. This too is

down from last year.

Mrs. Penny Carlos is the only new teacher on staff, replacing Ray Locke. She will be teaching the grades three and four. Another kindergarten teacher might have to be hired later, depending on the enrolment in that grade, says secretary Lil Williams. "There are more kindergartens than estimated," she said.

Enrolment figures are also down at Robert Little school. So far, 450 students are registered, which is a slight decrease over last year. 1977-78 figures were not readily available when the Free Press called the school.

There will be many new faces at Robert Little school this year, the first year of twinning with Speyside rural school. Jeannette Piquette, teaching grade one, and Bob

McGregor, grade four teacher, have both joined the Robert Little staff from Speyside. John Vandermolen will be teaching grade five and Maureen Morrow will head the special education class.

Teachers Rick Coe and Joan Pearce have both gone to Speyside. Vice principal Larry Ciglen will hold the same post in Speyside, splitting his duties between the two schools. He will work out of the rural school most of the time however. Hazen Allen will be principal for both.

Shirley Scott has been changed to remedial teacher for Robert Little. She takes the place of Jean Anderson who has gone back to Brookville school.

Speyside school enrolment is slightly down from last

year. There will be 157 students starting classes there today. In addition to the two teachers and vice principal from Robert Little comes Diane Kilpinen. She will be taking over the grades three and four classes.

Mr. Ciglen will be sharing the grades five and sixes with Nadine Eaton, each teaching half the time. After Christmas, Anne Armstrong will be back to the school to relieve Mr. Ciglen of his share of the teaching.

Besides the two teachers who were transferred to Robert Little school, the school lost grade four teacher Anne Hopkins, and Principal Norm Howell.

Some 150 students attended classes yesterday (Tuesday) for the first time this term at Ospringe school. The Wellington County school

board began classes one day before the Halton school board.

The enrolment figure is pretty well maintaining the same total as last year, a school spokesman said. She explained this is the first year the grade seven students stayed at the school rather than travelling to Erin high school. The students will, however, go to the high school in the afternoons for some subjects.

There will be two new faces in the staff room this year. Bill Peniston will be taking over the grades five and six class from Ralph Rainford. Bill Couture will be introducing French to Ospringe school students. He will also be teaching in Rockwood Centennial and Eramosa public schools.

## Two youngsters on mini-bike are killed in crash

Two young campers at Smallwood Acres were killed in a tragic traffic accident on the First Line south of Highway 7 early Sunday afternoon.

Eight-year-old Andrew Taylor of 231 Melrose Ave., and James Fraser, age 12 years, of 86 Cherrylawn Ave., both in Toronto, were pronounced dead at the scene by Dr. David van der Bent.

They were riding a mini-bike south on the road about seven-tenths of a mile south of the highway.

A collision took place with a northbound car driven by Timothy Wayne Young, 18, of 38-16th St., Etobicoke, according to Halton Regional Police.

The bodies were taken to Milton and District Hospital where autopsies were performed Monday morning.

Andrew Taylor is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Taylor and grandson of Edna and Rupert Taylor. Funeral service is Wednesday afternoon at the Ridley funeral home, Lakeshore Blvd., Toronto, with interment in Glendale memorial garden. James Fraser is the son of

Gloria and Robert Fraser, brother of Billy and Suzanne, grandson of Frances and the late James Fraser and Susan and Joseph Short. Funeral service is Thursday at St. Stephen's Anglican church, Jane St., Toronto with interment in St. James cemetery, Colgan.

Halton Regional Police say no charges have been laid against the car driver.

An inquest is possible, according to police, but they have not been notified by the coroner.

The families camped regularly at Smallwood Acres.

While mini-bikes are not allowed on the camp ground, young people frequently use them across the road in a large field and in the district. The two friends were on the road at the time of the accident.

The driver of the car involved was also camping at Smallwoods. He was driving to a store when the accident happened.

Friends at the camp were shocked by the news and some expected to attend the funerals.

## No action on lots

An application for seven lots for 14 semi detached homes on the west side of Greenore Crescent, Acton, submitted by Kingham Hill Estates, was deferred by Halton Hills Planning Board, until the matter can be discussed again at the Credit Valley Conservation Authority meeting.

The planner recommended the plan be rejected since he considered the land unsuitable for development.

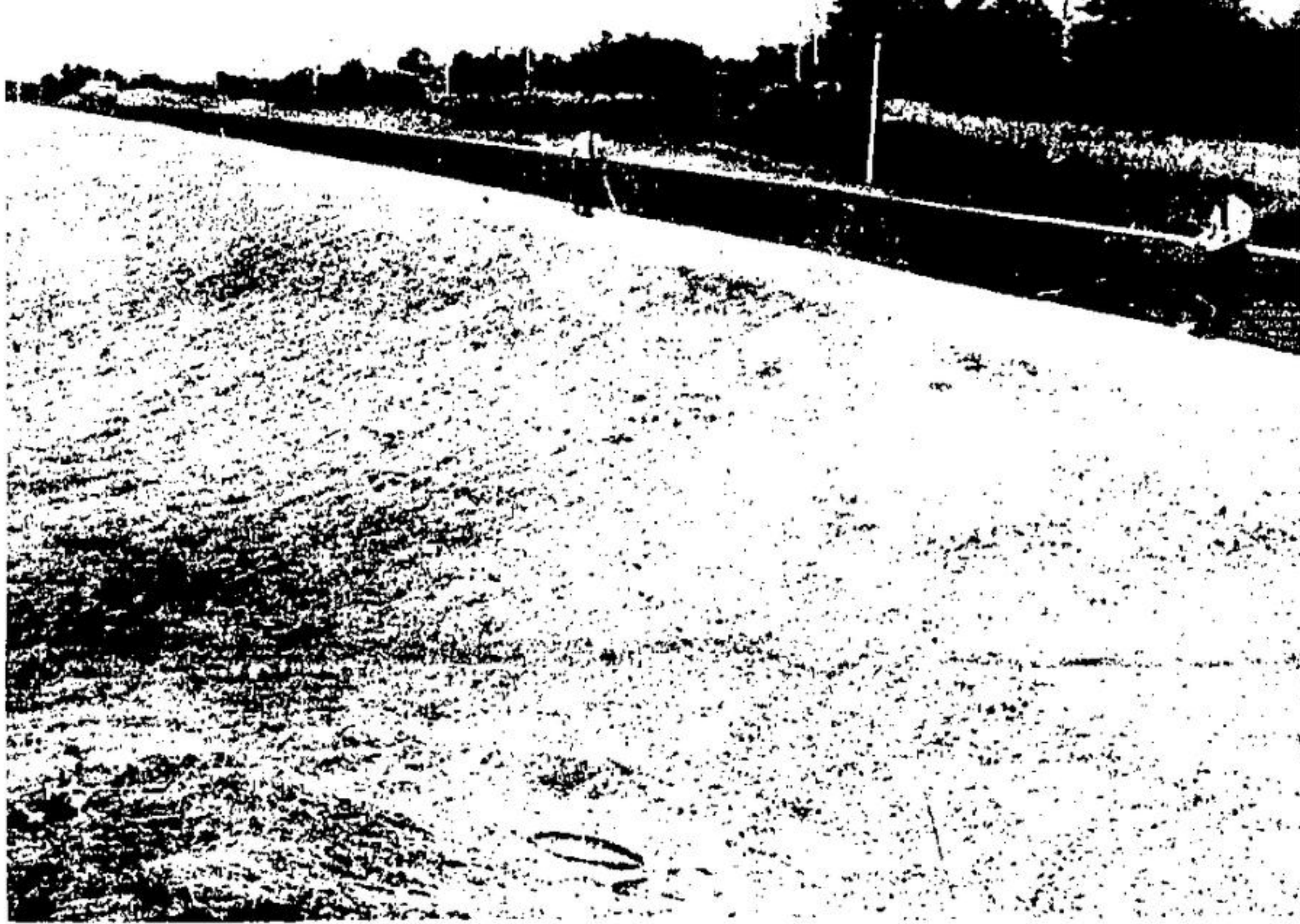
Chairman Roy Booth pointed out the CVCA is not prepared to consider the proposal, since they say it is floodplain land.

Councillor Peter Marks said he agreed with the planner, and said there are two other people trying to have land rezoned to build on a cut and fill basis. He warned it could set a precedent for other parts of the lake.

Councillor Les Duby said he was concerned about residential construction on that land.

Councillor Russ Miller said the land is next to the swamp area.

According to a letter from the CVCA, they would not approve any Official Plan amendment or zoning change



DARINKA MOSKUN died in a traffic accident on Highway 7 west of town early yesterday morning. She was riding a bike to work at the Frank Heller and Company plant when a collision took place with an eastbound car.

OPP CONSTABLES MEASURE distances at the site of the car-bike accident which took the life of 22-year-old Darinka M. Moskun of Acton yesterday morning. Miss Moskun was eastbound when the collision with an eastbound auto took place. OPP have charged the driver.

## Cyclist dies after highway collision

The community was saddened by the sudden death of 22-year-old Darinka Moskun in a traffic mishap Tuesday morning.

Miss Moskun was fatally injured when the bike she was riding was in collision with a car on Highway 7 west of Acton. She was on her way to work at the Frank Heller and Company plant when the accident occurred at about 7.15 a.m.

An ambulance from Brampton was dispatched and took the victim to Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital where she died about an hour later.

Ontario Provincial Police at Milton charged Jozef G. Hermans, R.R. 2, Brampton, with careless driving.

The tragedy struck parents Mike and Annie Moskun, of 67 Church St. W. and grandfather Mike Stedil, also of Acton.

There are uncles, aunts and cousins in Yugoslavia where Miss Moskun was born.

She had attended Acton High School. Miss Moskun is resting at the Shoemaker Funeral Home. Funeral service will be held Friday at St. Joseph's Church at 11 a.m.

## Iron flavors water park well on stream

Yes, you're right. The water DOES taste different. The new well at the end of the park is putting water into the system again, at the rate of about 700,000 gallons a day.

Even after previous flushing of the well water out into the lake, the iron content in the water is still high, and that's what is causing the strange taste.

The well is not pumping at its maximum, since the dry

season is past, explains region waterworks engineer Bob Kong. But the flow must be maintained because a study is being done on the new well and its effects.

A consultant is doing the study, one of its purposes to determine if the well has any effect on the water level of Fairy Lake. The lake is owned by Beardmore and the water is used in the tanning processes of the town's

biggest industry.

Mr. Kong says ways will be looked into to try to suppress the iron in the water. It is naturally-occurring iron and he thinks it will now have stabilized at its natural level, since the pumping has been going on for over a week.

This well has higher iron content than the others in Acton but the level is below Ministry of the Environment allowable standards.

## Acton workers average \$10,000 yearly income

Acton workers have an average income of \$10,221. Georgetown workers average \$11,622 and Milton \$11,345.

Incomes for the previous year were \$8,970 in Acton, \$10,345 in Georgetown and \$10,167 in Milton.

Oakville led the entire nation with an average of \$12,949 followed by Burlington with \$12,702, according to Revenue Canada.

It is the first year that Milton has been near the top of the pack in average incomes. Part of the reason for the surge is the preponderance of people moving into the town but commuting to high paying jobs in Toronto.

Those incomes compare with \$10,019 in Hamilton, \$10,129 in St. Catharines, \$9,371 in Welland and \$9,150 in Niagara Falls.

There were a total of 5,445 returns filed in Acton with total income of \$55,658,000 and that represents \$8,734,000 in taxes.

In Georgetown 11,722 people filed returns for a total

income of \$136,237,000 representing \$23,581,000 in taxes payable.

The average percentage increase in wages for 1976 went up 13.9 per cent in Acton, 12.2 per cent in Georgetown and 11.58 per cent in Milton.

Flour mill

B & E checked

Halton Regional Police are continuing to check into a break and enter of the Ziegler Flour Mills on Mill Street last week.

Access to the company's books was gained after suspects used keys found in the owner's clothing to open doors.

Nothing appears to have been taken, according to police.

The parties entered and left by different doors. To get inside the bay garage door was forced open. To leave, separate latched doors at the rear were used.

## Fluoride issue

The controversial issue of water fluoridation goes before Halton Regional Council today. The potentially explosive issue found its way onto a committee agenda after a Milton dentist issued a letter on the subject.

The committee recommended that necessary steps be taken to have the water in Milton and Acton fluoridated. Those are the only two communities in the region still without fluoridated water.

According to regional solicitor Dennis Perlin, the regional council has two choices. It can authorize the installation of the necessary equipment or it can opt to hold a plebiscite.

The hooker on the plebiscite is that the question won't be put to just the voters of Acton and Milton for their respective water supplies, but the entire region will cast ballots.

According to Perlin, it is an all or nothing situation. If the people opt to go with fluoride it goes in everywhere, and if it is rejected it will be taken out of Georgetown, Burlington and Oakville.

Council meets at 1.30 today at regional headquarters in Burlington.

## Hydro planning second Halton Hills corridor?

Ontario Hydro is lining up lands for a second hydro electric transmission corridor, parallel to the one planned to run down the middle of Halton Hills, post Land Division Committee (LDC) talks revealed this week. Ontario Hydro denies it is doing so.

LDC chairman Brian Fletcher, of Burlington, last night confirmed that Ontario Hydro property division representatives have appeared before the committee concerning the 500 kv corridor which the town, the region and the Interested Citizens' Group (ICG) are taking to the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) next year, and at least another corridor beside it.

Properly division representative Dan Markovic agreed at the LDC's August 29 meeting, said Fletcher, the severances he was concerned about "were for future corridors."

applications from Markovic, and some have been for the first generation of corridor and some for the second, said chairman Fletcher in a telephone interview Tuesday.

The LDC granted the four separations subject to each parcel being rezoned for use as an electrical corridor.

The question of whether Ontario Hydro can build any corridor from the north to the south is before the OMB. That body will judge the old Esquesing Township bylaw which has so far kept most of Halton Hills free from the controversial corridor.

Fletcher's recollection squares with the belief held by Georgetown LDC member Des Morrow that what Ontario Hydro is after is land for a second line. Morrow said Tuesday in a telephone interview the August 29 applications were "for future lines adjacent to the line being expropriated."

at all if they are not," he continued.

Morrow indicated he stood to be corrected, but that he based his belief on the first meeting with Markovic when Ontario Hydro man said it was for the future.

## Ask Supreme Court to prohibit OMB hearing on corridor

Halton Hills council last night (Tuesday) passed a resolution instructing the town solicitor to "bring proceedings in the Supreme Court of Ontario for an order to prohibit the Ontario Municipal Board from proceeding with the OMB hearing on the Ontario Hydro application to the OMB on the basis of a lack of jurisdiction."

The surprise move comes on the heels of a postponement of the hearing until January 2, 1979, by the OMB so people along the proposed 500 kv hydro corridor can be individually notified of the hearing to test a by-law prohibiting hydro lines across that part of Halton Hills in the old Township of Esquesing.

"No. No way," was the reply from Markovic when contacted at Ontario Hydro's headquarters in Toronto Tuesday. He said all of them were an over purchase of the expropriated easement. Markovic said the four

farmers were taking advantage of a second chance to sell their land to Ontario Hydro. He said the provincial utility is not exempt under the Planning Act so the farmers have to go before the LDC for permission to sell.

He added the provincial utility has purchased land for a secondary east-west corridor, but the north-south corridor is to follow the lot lines with about half of its 250 foot width on each side.

There are other separations to come concerning the north-south line. Halton Hills deputy planning director Brian Kropf said Tuesday that as far as the planning department is concerned, referring to the LDC matter, "we see it as one line which the town is opposed to."

LDC chairman Fletcher indicated the difference, whether for one corridor, or two, would make little difference because the whole is to

be resolved by the OMB.

Esqueusing councillor George Malby, who attended the hydro portion of the LDC meeting, said afterwards he was taken completely by surprise with Ontario Hydro's bid for future lands, as outlined by LDC member Morrow.

The corridor that is to go before the OMB is the north-south 500 kv line which Ontario Hydro hoped to bring from the Bruce nuclear generating station to near Milton where it is to hook up with the east-west line of equal voltage.

The lands before the LDC belonged to Helen McDonald, Edward Chudleigh, Pierre Pilote and Horace Medland.

Medland, of RR 2 Acton, attended the meeting and indicated to committee he was in favor of the separation.

## Police charge knife wielder

Halton Regional Police charged a 23-year-old Milton man with carrying an offensive weapon and other charges Thursday night.

Police reconstruct the incident as follows: a man, with a hunting knife, was observed advancing towards a crowd of people at the Dominion Hotel. He was also shouting, swearing and threatening the crowd.

If found guilty anyone so charged can receive a two-year prison sentence.

As a result of a disturbance in the parking lot of the same hotel a 25-year-old R.R. 3 Georgetown man was charged with resisting arrest Thursday.

## Man charged

A 42-year-old Main Street North man was charged last week by Halton Regional Police with the theft of groceries valued at \$2.90, from Ed's In and Out store on Main Street South last week.

