

Groundswell Of Support For New Hydro Line Scheme



JOHN BONNELL, left, explains the map and proposed route of the hydro towers to Mr. and Mrs. George Chisholm, Baylawn Crescent, in Georgetown Market, Saturday. Mr. Bonnell is a member of one of the teams of supporters of a most southerly route, who are explaining the routes to interested parties.

A suggestion by John Schneider, 1112 Acton, to route the north-south hydro lines, so that the proposed 230 KV line does not march down between the Fourth and Fifth Lines of Esquesing, has snowballed into a large scale movement.

Mr. Schneider made the suggestion at a public meeting with Bruce Howlett Inc., environmental planners, in Acton high school, July 6, and in that brief time lapse has found 2,000 supporters, who are now enlisting others in the fight.

The route urged by Mr. Schneider would go directly from a Halton sub-station, north of Milton near Highway 401, along 401 and parkway belt to Guelph, and north to the Bruce county station at Douglas Point.

Mr. Schneider said the plan would shorten the north-south corridor from 229 miles, to 121 miles, and prevent 200 farms from being intersected by the towers.

Teams of backers of the proposed new north-south route, which would eliminate the towers from Halton, except along Highway 401, were stationed in spots in Georgetown, Acton, Rockwood, Hillsburgh and Erin on Saturday, with maps and explanations of the route. All interested parties were asked to read and sign the brief, then send it to Bruce Howlett, Inc.

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The one-man commission, headed and staffed by Dr. Ormond Solandt, decided further study was required following a series of public meetings and submissions. The commission engaged Bruce Howlett, an independent firm of environmental consultants, to pick alternative routes for the corridor which would take routes least harmful to the environment.

Name Chairman Soon

TORONTO BUREAU OF THE HERALD

Ontario treasurer John White's ministry have reserved a television studio for Friday and Monday mornings at 9 a.m. for what is considered the official announcement of the new regional chairmen in the areas of Durham, Peel, Halton, and Hamilton-Wentworth.

The Toronto bureau of The Herald learned Monday afternoon the times had been booked and according to one spokesman the ministry is awaiting a final word to set the date for the announcement.

It is generally considered the four people already know of their appointments subject to cabinet approval Wednesday this week.

The public introduction of the four regional chairmen will be made by Premier William Davis and Treasurer and Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs John White at a Queen's Park press conference on Friday or Monday.

GO Paving Contract

Jim Snow, MPP for Halton East and minister of government services, announced Thursday that tenders will be called this week by the Ministry of Transportation and Communications for a contract calling for the grading, drainage, granular base and asphalt paving of the GO Station area and parking lot in Georgetown.

It is expected this contract will be completed in time for the initiation of the GO transit service from Georgetown to Toronto later this year.

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Documents Prepared For Regional Police

First meeting of a steering committee that will lay the groundwork for a Halton regional police force will be held Aug. 5 in Milton.

Members are Judge William K. Warrander, Burlington mayor George Harrington, Oakville police commissioner Jim Cowan, Georgetown police commissioner Glenn Magnuson, Milton Mayor Brian Best, Nassagaweya deputy reeve Jim Watson, Esquesing reeve Tom Hill, Acton coun. O. Chapman, and county warden Anne MacArthur.

Georgetown police chief said a working committee established six months ago compiled and prepared documents for what will be known as Halton Region Police Department.

The documents will now be turned over to the steering committee for further study before final recommendations will be made to the regional police commission.

The first committee was composed of Halton police chief and police personnel.

Halton Regional Police Department will become effective Jan. 1, 1974, when Halton's regional government takes office.

Driver Thrown, Killed Belt Saves Passenger

Because he was wearing a seat belt, James Roland, age 15, of Rome, New York, was able to walk away from a single car crash which took the life of his travelling companion last week at Silvercreek, just west of Georgetown.

The driver of the demolished, late model compact, Andrew Keltos, age 34, of Buffalo, New York, was dead on arrival at Georgetown hospital, Wednesday night.

North Halton OPP told The Herald the driver was not wearing a seat belt and was thrown out of the car when it rolled several times after leaving Highway 7 in the middle of the curve.

Police said the westbound Keltos car was in the process of passing when it met oncoming traffic. The driver applied the brakes, swung his car back into the westbound lane and apparently lost control.

The vehicle skidded on the shoulder, raising a cloud of dust, and then left the roadway and rolled several times.

The passenger, uninjured, released his seat belt and scrambled clear as the car caught fire. It was a writeoff with the total loss estimated at \$2,500.

The fatality occurred at 9:55 p.m. and was investigated by Const. Wally Jordan of North Halton OPP detachment.



KELTOS CAR BURNED AFTER ROLLING SEVERAL TIMES. (Herald Photo)



SHADOW HASN'T ANY (Herald Photo)

Heads turn and eyebrows shoot up wherever the Russell brothers, Mark and Scott, take Shadow for a walk. Shadow is their invisible dog. "One man said he would never take another drink, and another asked if he bites, but most people just stare," Mark told The Herald when he brought Shadow into The Herald office this week.

Trying to pull Shadow away from a fireplug on Main Street South are Dave Bootle, left, and the Russell boys.

POLICE BLOTTER

An attempt to break into Georgetown Medical Laboratory, 67 Mill St., was discovered Monday morning. The lock was jammed with pieces of wood, and police had to be called to break open the door.

A car was ransacked, on Regan Crescent sometime early Monday morning, and the glove compartment emptied. Nothing of value was in the car.

A prowler was reported on Regan Crescent around the same time the car was entered.

A soft drink cooler at the carwash on Guelph near Mountainview, was found damaged Saturday. Police said there was evidence of an attempt to open the cash box.

Sometime Friday night a window was broken at Georgetown high school.

Saturday night, two men were arrested and charged with being drunk in a public place, after a disturbance at Main and Mill Streets.

Malicious damage at three locations in town Thursday night, are thought to be connected. Hoses were cut at Georgetown high school, and property damaged on Sargent road, and townhouses on Mountainview Road.

Police received complaints of old tires being rolled around the parking lot of Canadian Tire Store, late Friday night.

A man was picked up here on a warrant from Tillsonburg, which came over the computer information service.

Shoplifters were apprehended Thursday afternoon at Shopper's Drug Mart.

Critical Of Boards Complaint Treatment

Halton board of education received a letter Thursday night from Georgetown high school teacher John Bellamy who criticized the board for not taking his complaints through the proper channels.

Mr. Bellamy submitted a complaint to the board in April about his daughter attending math classes at Stewarttown Senior Public School where the ratio is 100 pupils to two teachers in 80 per cent of the math classes.

This was explained by Peter Gardner and Lu Zander, math teachers at the school, as a new program, trading pupil-teacher ratio for increased facilities and more individual attention to pupils with problems.

Mr. Bellamy explained in his letter that the complaint should have gone from the board to a committee to investigate the situation, then back to the board with a recommendation to be approved or defeated.

The complaint was discussed at a board meeting in April and it was decided that the board did not approve or disapprove but would follow the program with interest and take no action.

A motion moved by Burlington trustee Tony Godyear and seconded by Georgetown trustee Ernie Bodnar was passed Thursday night. It states that the board has considered the complaint and has decided to take no action.

Big Truck Rakes Car

A parked car, owned by Janice P. McKellar, 1 McNabb St., had the whole left side smashed, when a tractor trailer, driven by Robert Gilliland, 2500 Keele St., sideswiped it.

The crash, July 19 at 3:30 p.m. at Iliver Drive near Rosetta Street, caused \$800 damage to the car, but no damage to the truck.

The front end of a car driven by Ken McMullen, 84 McIntyre Cres., was wrecked, with damage estimated at \$800, Friday, when the steering locked, causing it to plow into a flapole, and the supporting structure.

Two Room Addition To School

The architectural firm of Halford and Wilson, Oakville, was appointed at Thursday's meeting of the Halton County Board of Education to design an addition to Limehouse Public School. These architectural plans, when completed, will be subject to approval of the minister of education.

The new additions to Limehouse Public School will be a library, which will occupy 1273 square feet, and a general purpose room occupying 3200 square feet. These additions are being motivated on the basis of a total community program as far as Limehouse is concerned.

Limehouse Public School is a kindergarten to Grade six school with a rated capacity of 245. Its September, 1973, projected enrolment is 220.

TOUGH TIMES

Husband struggling with budget to wife: "We should have saved during the depression so we could live through this prosperity."

NEWS IN BRIEF

MRS. DOROTHEA McINNIS a commercial teacher at Georgetown District High School has been asked by the government of Kenya through the Canadian International Development Agency to attend Kenyatta University College in Kenya where she will be a commercial teacher trainer for a period of two years from September 1, 1973, till June 30, 1975.

HALTON COUNTY Federation of Agriculture is offering two \$100 scholarships to Halton County students entering agricultural or family and consumer studies at the University of Guelph, or at one of the province's colleges of agricultural technology. Awards will be made on the basis of agricultural background and academic standing as well as 4-H Junior Farmer and other community activities.

ABITIBI PAPER Company Ltd. has reported net earnings for the first six months of this year at \$10,398,000 or 55.9 cents per common share compared with \$2,271,000 or 10.7 cents per share in 1972. Consolidated net sales are \$187,762,000, an increase of \$44,602,000. Abitibi Paper Company Ltd. is the parent company of Georgetown Abitibi coating mill.

IN RESPONSE TO notification at the board of education, Thursday night, that there would be two trustees from the central region and Georgetown will remain with one trustee, under regional government, Georgetown trustee Ernie Bodnar stated, "we are being short changed." He asked to see the assessment adding that he had information that Georgetown had the assessment figures for nearly two trustees and had one, while central area should only have one.

A LIMEHOUSE MAN has the skin of a poisonous Massasauga rattlesnake as a reminder of this year's summer holidays. John Swinkles killed the snake after his wife discovered it on top of a picnic cooler which had been covered with a sleeping bag. The Swinkles were vacationing at Shawangan, north of Parry Sound at the time. "We saw four of them while we were there," he told The Herald.

RECREATION DIRECTOR Doug Collison reported to the recreation committee Tuesday that council's committee of the whole has decided to construct all recreation facilities, hall, pool, and arena, provincial grant or not. Collison asked the committee to help in getting a list of items to be included.

Roundup Time On the Avenue

Ernest Ball, 58 Maple Ave. W., found himself acting the part of a cowboy, Thursday morning, around 7:30 when he spotted a pony wandering down Maple Avenue.

After catching the pony, and tethering it to a tree, he called police.

Two hours later, Mrs. Doreen Wilson, 89 Maple Ave. W., took her wandering pony home.

Flames Halted Short of Tanks

A fire in a shed near the 10th Line and Number 10 sideroad, Tuesday morning, endangered propane tanks, but was extinguished by Georgetown firemen before reaching them.

Last Thursday, another shed fire, almost in the same location, was brought under control with little damage.

Tuesday, at 1 p.m. firemen put out a small grass fire behind the Georgetown Market Centre.

Georgetown Fair September 28-29

Georgetown Fall Fair will be held this year on September 28-29. Plan now your exhibits for this big event.

65 Acre Cemetery Near Norval Station

Approval for a 65-acre cemetery near Norval was recommended this morning by councillors at a Chinguacousy general committee meeting. The cemetery is being developed by a private Toronto-based firm.

Goldpole Holdings of Toronto told councillors the total area contemplated is around 65 acres although it will start off by developing about three acres.

The land is in part of Lot 16, Concession five, about two miles north-east of the Norval railway station. The area is zoned agricultural which means that the cemetery is not contrary to the zoning.

Chinguacousy reeve Robert Williams however, recommended that approval be subject to site plan agreement with the township staff.

Coun. Aldo Ferri later said he had stressed the need for a cemetery 15 years ago in council.

After township approval, the firm will proceed to the cemeteries branch of the Ontario government which will have the area checked for a health hazard or whether there are any underground springs.

COINCIDENCE

Mrs. Louise Ford, of Market Street is amazed at the frequency of coincidence in her family lately. July 6, a daughter, Mrs. Carl Crosby, gave birth to a baby girl while another daughter Mrs. Lorraine Fife was marking her 26th birthday. Six days later, on Bonnie Ford's 17th birthday, another member of the family, Mrs. John Ford, had a baby boy.

CORRECTION

Georgetown councillor Phil Siddall was reported in a front page Herald story last week to have said that townhouses were finally approved on Baylor Crescent. The report, which was in error, probably caused some upset in the neighborhood. The story should have said semi-detached private dwellings in place of townhouses.

Pollution Probe Urges Recycling Depots

D.F. Tweedie, spokesman for 17 members of Georgetown Pollution Probe presented at a works committee meeting, Monday night, proposed the creation of six steel hoppers, enclosed by fencing, as receptacles for recyclable materials.

Mr. Tweedie suggested Georgetown Market parking lot as the site of the fenced hoppers, saying it was the most convenient location for most people in town.

He said members of Pollution Probe would erect and supervise the operation for awhile until it had proved feasible. He asked the town to pay the costs of the hoppers, haulage and rental of a site.

The pollution probe spokesman said his group was willing to design and distribute handbills from door to door, advising the residents of the program.

Deputy reeve Ernie Sykes, chairman of works committee said it was gratifying to have someone come forward with a plan, and assured the group council was extremely interested.

NIGHT PICKUP

The chairman said the town was starting a night pickup of cardboard from commercial and industrial establishments, three times a week, on August 15.

All such businesses will be asked to segregate cardboard boxes, and sheets of cardboard, and have them ready for the night pickup.

The cardboard will be collected in the packers, which compact it, and taken directly to (six) industries in Brampton, which pays \$20 a ton.

The deputy reeve said the town expects at least two break even on the deal, and possibly make a little profit. "But most important we are not using up the landfill site as fast," added the deputy reeve.

Mayor Bill Smith questioned the location suggested by Pollution Probe for the hoppers. He doubted the owners of the Market Centre would cooperate in this type of operation.

FIVE BINS

In reply to a question from Coun. Ernie Hyde, Mr. Tweedie said the three bins for glass, one for cans and one for paper, were necessary because works superintendent Frank Morette said any depot would have to be at the works garage or the landfill site, so it could be supervised.

Mr. Morette told the spectators that fridges and stoves were now being set aside and sold for scrap, rather than filling up the landfill site.

Mr. Tweedie said his group would be willing to try to determine the response of the public in advance.

Reeve Ric Morrow suggested taking two blocks in three different sections of town, and running a trial operation, with a temporary depot, to see the result.

He said he would return to council after consultation with the members of the organization.



HISTORY LIVES FOR CHRISTINE

Christine Hooper, 7, of 183 Main St., N., Georgetown, re-enacted the first introduction to history from Capt. Serge Rousseau of La Compagnie Franche de la Marine of Montreal. The Franche Marine, descendants of Canada's first regular military force-performed a day-long pageant of 17th century military drill last week at Sainte-Marie among the Hurons, Midland, Sainte-Marie is the first European community of interior Canada, founded in 1639. The Franche Marine performed infantry manoeuvres, musket drill, artillery firing and military music for thousands of delighted visitors to Sainte-Marie, including Christine. The famed Compagnie Franche de la Marine raised the 17th century flag at Sainte-Marie.