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and an over-bed table donated by the Cancer Society two years ago. The equipment can be used by cancer patients or anyone in need of the equipment. Activity chairman Betty Hall is seen in the above picture handing over a cheque to Vivian Cunningham, the Red Cross loan cupboard chairman. Seen also in the picture (from left to right) Norma Carlisle, Flo Dickle, Nancy Stein, Bernice Rorison, Marjorie Teddy from the Cancer Society and Counle Van Goch (Red Cross).

MFA surveys farm damages by all wildlife

By HENRY STANLEY Halton Ag Rep

Our Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food office have received several complaints of damage to crops and livestock in the Region from wildlife, especially deer and coyotes. Our deer season was initiat-

ed two years ago to try and cut down the number of deer and thereby reduce this damage. As you are probably aware there has been strong opposition to this hunt, especially this

In order to prepare for Agriculture's request, the Halton Agricultural Advisory Committee is conducting a survey of wildlife damage in

the Region. A questionnaire has been prepared and sent out to all nurserymen, handed out at the Halton-Wentworth Fruit and Vegetable Growers Annual Meeting, and will be handed out at our Halton Soil and Crop Improvement Association Annual Jan, 19, If you have not or will not be receiving a questionnaire as mentioned previously, please call the Agricultural Office, Milton (878-2314 or 453-0766) and we will send you one,

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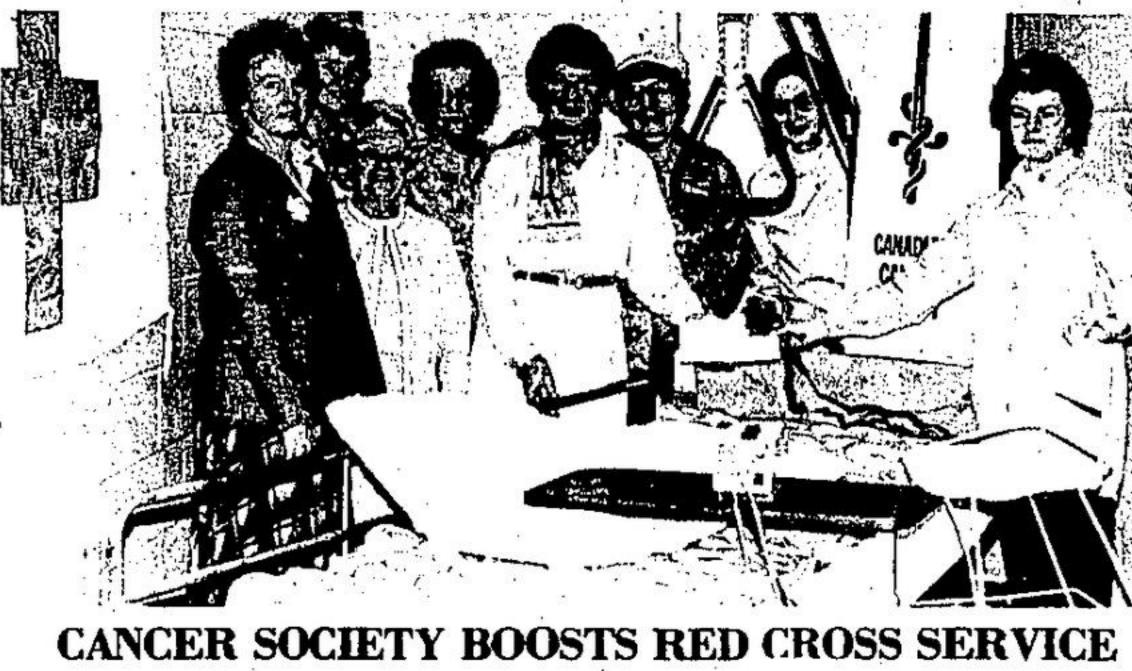
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New national park for Untario's Bruce?

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who see the possibility of new

jobs and an expanded tourism

base. It certainly has been

welcomed by naturalists, who

flock to the Bruce for both the

scenery and the wildflowers.

Years ago, Professor

Sherwood Fox called the Bruce

"a garden northwards"

because of the abundance of

orchids, gentians, ferns, and

other rare plants which

flourish there. Were he still

alive, I'm sure Professor Fox

would be smiling about his

The park will not come about

instantly, of course, nor with-

out debate. Depending on its

extent, only about one-half to

one-third of the needed land is

By RON REID Federation of Ontario Naturalists

Residents of Bruce County got their Christmas treat a bit early this year, with the announcement that a new national park is being considered for the tip of the Bruce Peninsula. According to Parks Canada, this rugged limestone peninsula which thrusts between the waters of Lake Huron and Georgian Bay offers the best chance for a major new Canadian park in

southern Ontario. Federal Environment Minister John Roberts has called for public comment on the feasability and layout of a proposed park as the first step. Generally, the news has been

now in government hands. The MPP Reed's report from Queen's Park

By JULIAN REED, M.P.P. Halton-Burilngton

ASSESSMENTS Liberal Finance Critic David Peterson (London Centre) has charged that Ontario tax assessors are increasing assessments on renovated houses by as much as 100 per cent without looking inside them. "At 411 Dupont Street (in Toronto) the assessment was increased from \$4,219 to \$8,950", he said. "The assessor

did not enter and it was based

JULIAN REED

only on a sand-blasted exterior. After the owner complained, it was rolled back to \$4,719...Given the Incompetence he (the Revenue Minister) has demonstrated in other areas of his Ministry, why does the Minister not take It upon himself to cancel these outrageous assessments until there is a fair and justifiable assessment?"

NUCLEAR ENERGY The Minister of Energy has acknowledged that he has been "speculating" on the possibility of devoting a nuclear plant to the production of electricity for sale to the United States. However, the Cabinet has not yet adopted the idea as policy. The Minister was responding to a question from Liberal Leader Stuart Smith, who read out in the Legislature part of a letter written by the Minister's parliamentary assistant which referred to "what appears to be a new policy of dedicated firm sale of electrical power for export". Smith also quoted from a speech by the Minister last month in San Francisco, in which he sald the Canadian and U.S. governments should consider "the possibility of building nuclear generating plants in Canada to export power to the United States". The Liberal Leader said that if the Government does make such a decision, the United States should at least be obliged to take the nuclear

waste produced by generating

the "clean electricity". WORD PROCESSORS The Opposition has charged that the Ontario Government is doing nothing while word processors eliminate jobs for women and alternative work in the skilled trades is being reserved for men. It seems that in March of this year only 174 out of 34,000 positions in trade apprenticeship programs in Ontario were held by women. This, in spite of the fact that in a recent speech the Minister of Labour urged women to turn to the skilled trades because he estimated that four to six jobs for women become redundant every time

a word processor is installed.

DAY CARE According to a coalition of labour and education groups, Ontario Government should add an extra 10,000 subsidized day care spaces immediately to meet a pressing need, but the Conservalives do not seem committed to day care. Although the group said the Minister of Community and Social Services promised only that he would make an announcement about day care early next year and that there will not be any reductions. A spokesman for the coalition said that most of the Conservative MPPs who spoke to the group did not approve of its request for a direct provincial grant of \$5 a day for each child

in day care. LIQUOR LAWS The Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations has stated that there is a good chance the Government will pass legislation in 1982 which will allow dining lounges to sell liquor before noon-hour, at present the earliest time drinks can be sold. He said the move would allow people on staggered lunchhours to have a drink with lunch, but stated that there is little chance the Government will extend the current 1 a.m. closing time to accommodate night-shift workers. The Minister also said there are no plans to

permit the sale of liquor at

professional sports events.

August to discuss these quest-

The Federation of Ontario Naturalists had been pushing for creation of such a park for years, and we are naturally quick to praise Parks Canada. But we also recognize the hidden role of Alan Pope, the provincial Minister of Natural Resources, whose support and permission was needed to get

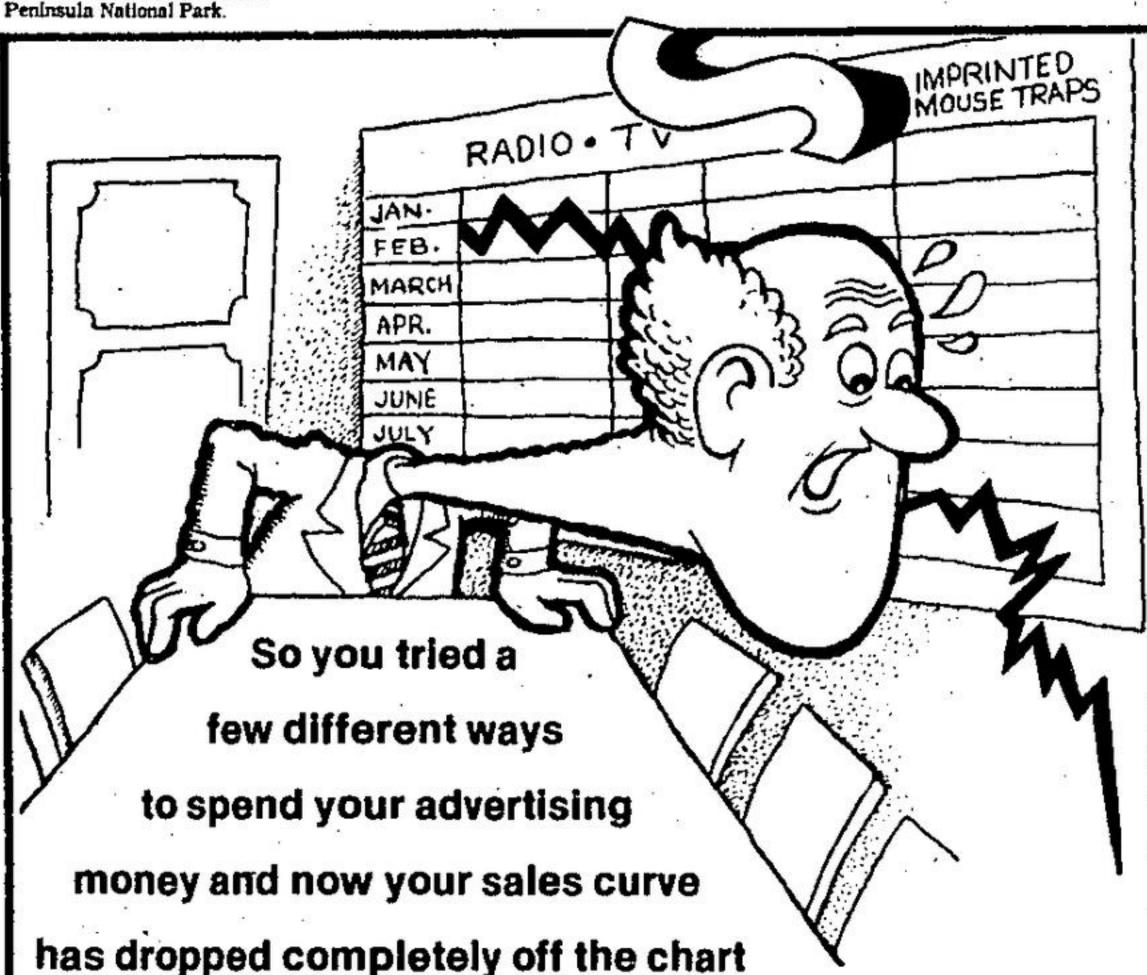
future of traditional uses such as pole cutting and deer hunting will have to be resolved. The province's role at the existing Cyprus Lake and Fathom Five Provincial Parks

must be reconciled. Parks Canada plans a consultation program with special emphasis on local residents until next

the idea off the ground. for working towards the establishment of the Bruce

There are at least two other proposals now under quiet discussion for national parks in northern Ontario, which we hope Mr. Pope will view equally sympathetically. In the meantime, both he and Mr. Roberts deserve our support

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