

# Hurononia Players to present 'The Red Shoes'

Christmas may be a busy time for adults but for children it is a time for magic. No one understood the wonders of magic better than author Hans Christian Andersen.

Hurononia Players, under the direction of Janet French of Orr Lake, will present the famous story "The Red Shoes" at Sacred Heart School auditorium in Midland on Friday, Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. with three performances on Saturday, Dec. 13 beginning at 1 p.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Well known Huronia Players performer May Williams has been cast in the lead role as Renata, an unscrupulous gypsy who persuades a cheerful young orphan to accept the magic shoes.

Karen the desperate dancer is played by Cindv Kelly who is best recognized for her role as Louise in Huronia Players presentation of Gypsv last spring.

Jemmo, a little mute clown, is Renata's assistant who takes pity on Karen and helps Nels, the cobbler's

apprentice, rescue the poor orphan. Trudy Duckworth shows the many faces of Jemmo while Larry Piitz performs the part of Nels.

Adelle Tinney of Elmvale is a newcomer to Huronia Players and has been cast to play the part of Karen's long lost Grandmother

The Burgomaster, a dignified public official from the small Danish town in which the story takes place will be played by Jack Scott of Midland.

The part calls for a portly man with a heart of gold and a sense of humour. Mr. Scott has proven he has all of these qualities and more in his many past per-

formances with Huronia Players.

With the help of Jemmo, Nels and the Burgomaster, Karen is rescued from the

wicked Renata and is reunited at last with her devoted grandmother.

"The Red Shoes," a special play for children is sure to make the

magic of Christmas 1980 very memorable thanks to Huronia Players.

Tickets are now available at various merchants in Midland and Elmvale.

## Hydro rate reduction plan endorsed

Gord Smith, MPP Simcoe East and Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Industry and Tourism, said he was pleased with the Treasurer's proposals to reduce the differential in Hydro rates charged to urban

and rural users.

"By bringing rural rates into line with those charged urban users, Treasurer Frank Miller has taken a significant step towards reducing rural energy costs," Smith said.

"A change in rural

rates will boost business and industry by providing relatively cheaper electrical power. Both the farmer and the rural homeowner should experience savings on their electrical bill."

During his Nov. 13

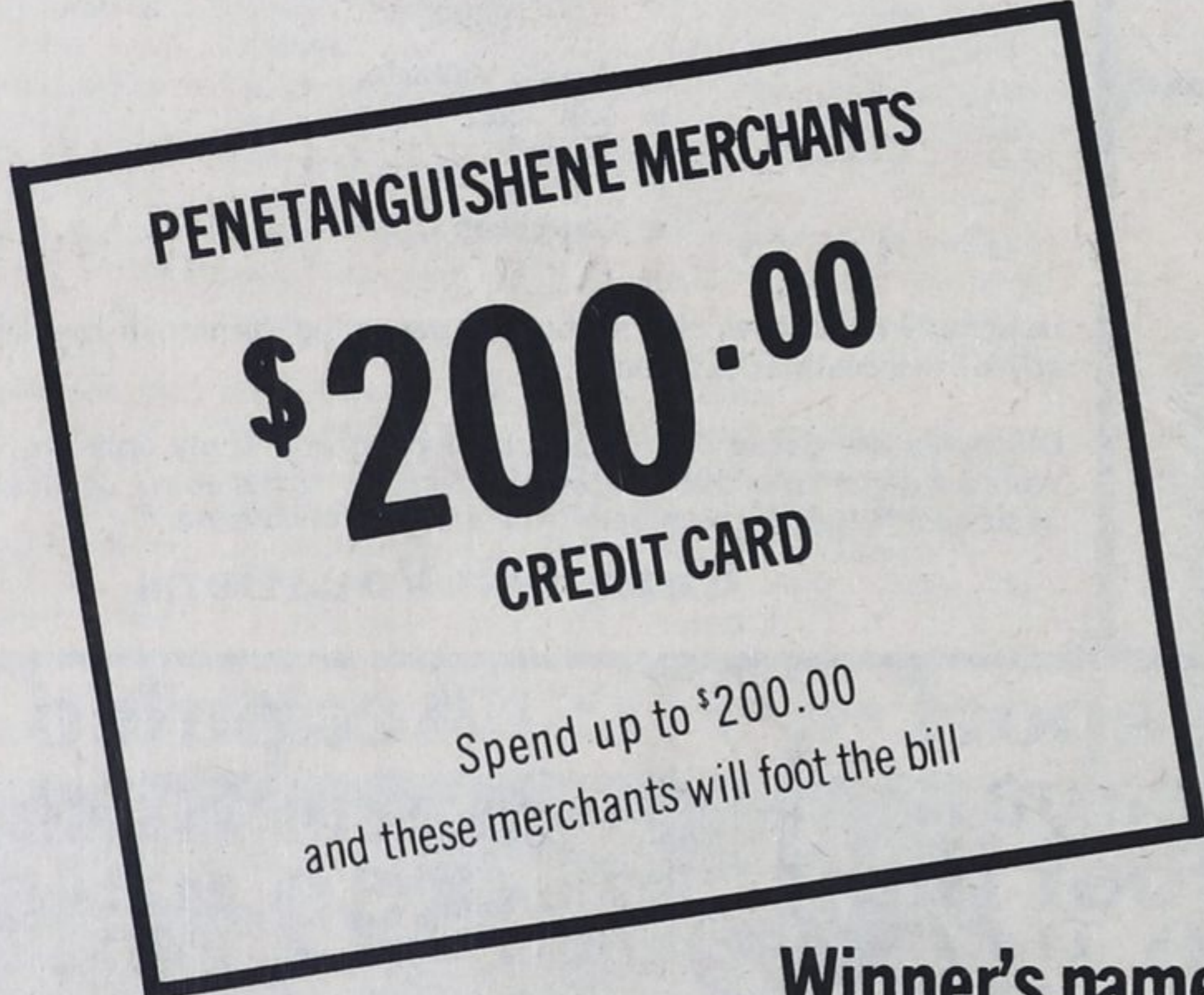
mini-budget Treasurer Miller instructed Hydro to eliminate undue rate differentials by 1982. In order to provide immediate relief to rural electricity users, the Treasurer is granting \$20 million to Hydro during 1981-82.

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