

A new view to Lakeview

Ontario Hydro is looking at the possibility of refurbishing the 25-year-old Lakeview coal-fired generating station in Mississauga and extending its service life to the year 2006.

The study, to be completed by 1988, will determine the cost effectiveness of spending up to \$300 million to rehabilitate the 2400 megawatt station.

Energy idea book

It's not on the New York Times bestseller list yet, but a new manual of energy savings tips is making a big hit with builders and architects this year.

Ontario Hydro has produced a 750-page catalogue of ideas for saving money and energy through schemes like special lighting, ventilation and thermal storage in building construction. Copies of the manual, which is nicknamed "The Source", can be obtained by contacting any Ontario Hydro area office.

Lambton station passes the test

An Ontario Research Foundation study released this month has given the Lambton coal-fired generating station in Sarnia a clean bill of health.

The study says that ground level concentrations of station emissions are well below one per cent of those permitted by

the Ministry of the Environment.

Small power producers get rate hike

Higher purchase rates and a new financing option from Ontario Hydro should encourage the development of new renewable sources of generation this year.

In January, the rates for small electricity producers increased from 3.45 to 3.6 cents a kilowatt-hour for producers who supply power at least 65 per cent of the time.

Developers also have the option of making installment payments to Ontario Hydro for protective equipment needed to connect their stations to the provincial power grid.

Increase in electricity demand

Total customer use of electricity in December was 11.9 billion kilowatt-hours, up 3.9 per cent from last year.

This month's peak demand was reached December 8 at 20.6 million kilowatts. This was just below an all-time peak of 20.7 million kilowatts on January 27, 1986.

Export revenues

Ontario Hydro sold an estimated 416 million kilowatt-hours of electricity to the United States in December, earning Ontario residents almost \$3 million in revenues.

Rideau Lakes Union Public Library presents The Great Canadian Theatre Company

Budding rock-star Cam and would-be astronaut Abby embark on some hilarious and enlightening adventures with "Auntie Matter" in **A Quantum Leap**, a play for children and teens aged 10-15. The Rideau Lakes Union Public Library presents this Great Canadian Theatre Company production at South Crosby Public School, Elgin, on Thursday, March 5, at 1:30 p.m. Admission is FREE. Presenting science as a creative adventure, the play is "user-friendly" - the set is an interactive exhibit, and the audience is encouraged to become involved.

The Great Canadian Theatre Company is Ottawa's only professional English theatre company. For the past eleven years GCTC has entertained and educated thousands of young people in schools, community centres and libraries. **A Quantum Leap** is a GCTC collective production, developed with assistance from the Public Awareness Programme for Science and Technology in response to the growing number of young people dropping out of maths and sciences in high school.

This performance is sponsored by your public library, the Ontario Library Service - Rideau, and Outreach Ontario, a programme of the Ministry of Citizenship and Culture.


JEMIMA'S GARDEN

Two memories of my visit to England last fall are reinforced every time I look at my pictures. The first is the profusion of flowers everywhere. Every home, every business, large or small, seemed to have its share of flowers. The display might have been in beautifully maintained large estate grounds or a border along a cottager's garden wall, or a tiny raised bed next to a fisherman's house - if there wasn't any earth available there would be flowers in pots of all sizes. And this is the second point I remember - the large number of pots, all sizes, with flowers planted in them. Places where there was not room for a flower bed might have a huge old lead tub overflowing with fuschias or geraniums, or perhaps a row of ordinary clay pots or half-barrels full of blossom.


What I found so fascinating was that both flower beds and flower containers were used in profusion at the same site - that is, flower beds, window boxes, pots on door-steps, up flights of stairs, hanging baskets, pots on ledges of every kind - over door-frames, over windows, ledges at second storeys, shed roofs and any conceivable spot that a flower pot could be placed.

I realize that English weather is more conducive to container growing than our scorching summers, but I think people in the Mediterranean countries use pots freely and it must be hot there. Wouldn't it be lovely if we could each grow a few more flowers in both flower beds and containers?

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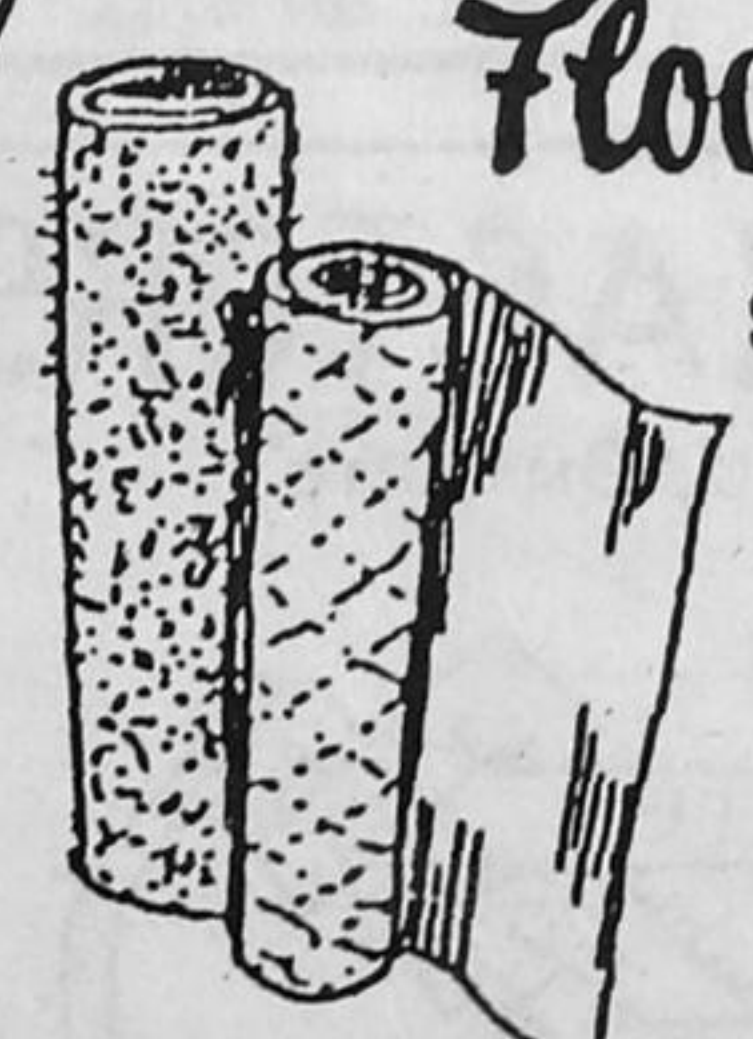


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