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Need Power For Ontario Demands



Still buzzing at 84 years of age is Allen Smelser and his bride of less than two weeks, the former Florence Porter, who is 75 years young. The happy couple reside in Jarvis. (Photo by Jim Mercer)

Not far from Ontario Hydro's pioneer major hydro-electric development at Niagara Falls, the province-wide power system is building one of the continent's newest thermal-electric giant stations at Nanticoke as part of its effort to meet the soaring demands of a "dynamic" economy. Chairman George Gathercole says in Hydro's newly-released 1968 annual report.

"In 1969 and the years ahead, the most urgent problem engaging the attention of the Commission will be the unprecedented demands that will be made on the new technology and capital financing to keep pace with the growth of the provincial economy," Mr. Gathercole said in the yearly statement just issued by the Commission.

The two million kilowatt output of the Nanticoke plant, on Lake Erie's north shore near Fort Dover, will be roughly equal to Canada's share of the power resources of the great Niagara development. First energy from its huge generators is expected by 1971 and plant completion is due three years later.

Hydro's economic impact on the Niagara district, understandably, is considerable. The 1968 payroll to its employees in this area was more than \$11 million of which the construction project at Nanticoke was \$822,000.

During the year Hydro paid \$1,164,763 in grants to municipalities in the district in lieu of taxes.

The annual report said customer demands reached a 1968 peak last December of 9,994,400 kilowatts, an increase of 8.5 per cent over the high of the previous winter. Despite the addition

of one million kilowatts of additional energy added to the system during the year, "even this huge increment was insufficient to maintain a comfortable reserve margin."

Under the currently authorized expansion program, Hydro development calls for an increase in generating facilities of 12.4 million kilowatts during the next 10 years. By 1978 the program would bring Hydro's capacity to 22 million kilowatts.

Mr. Gathercole reported also that during 1968 province-wide revenues increased 13.2 per cent to \$415 million as compared with \$367 million the previous year.

He said, "While there were significant rate increases to municipalities and to retail customers, the larger revenues were primarily attributable to growth in the demands for power."

Area Municipalities Receive Awards

The Hamilton Automobile Club to-day announced that 8 Cities and Towns in the area it serves (Halton, Brant, Haldimand, and Wentworth Counties) have been honoured by the Canadian Automobile Association for their achievements in the field of Pedestrian Safety.

Burlington took Second Place Honours across Canada in the population category of 50,000 to 200,000.

Hamilton received the Special Citation for Pedestrian Program Achievement in the population category over 200,000.

Brantford was honoured with the Special Citation for Program Achievement in the population category 50,000 to 200,000.

In the 10,000 to 25,000 population group, Dundas received the Special Citation for Pedestrian Program Achievement.

The following received Special Citation Awards for Pedestrian Casualty Records - of the total accident picture Dunnville and Stoney Creek - and are taking some action to alleviate it.



Johnny Edwards goes low to deliver a pitch to a batter in the game between Jarvis Merchants and Shopsy 7-Up in the Tournament at Oshawa. Also in the picture are Ted Phibbs playing third base, Dennis Craddock playing left field Fred McKeen at short stop and members of the 7-Up team on their bench. (Staff Photo).

One hundred and eighty-six cities took part in the C.A.A.'s Planned Pedestrian Program Appraisal, a 12% increase over 1968 and the largest number of cities to Hamilton Automobile Club said, "This is the only traffic safety program in Canada offering a city the opportunity to assess the effectiveness of its endeavours in pedestrian safety in a positive manner."

Mr. Oakie said, "I commend the civic authorities of the cities receiving the awards for their obvious concern for the safety of pedestrians and their interest in improving existing conditions. All of us are pedestrians at one time or another and the consequences to the pedestrian when involved in an accident are usually quite serious. The number of cities who entered this program this year gives some indication that civic governments are recognizing that this is an important area of the total accident picture and are taking some action to alleviate it."

The National Board of Judges for this year's event was composed of representatives from the Canada Safety Council, Canadian Association of Chief of Police, Canadian Good Roads Association, Institute of Traffic Engineers, Engineering Institute of Canada, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and the Canadian Association of Mayors and Municipalities.

Complete Fund

Another Easter Seal Campaign has been completed and the funds sent in to The Ontario Society for Crippled Children.

The club received \$987. The objective was \$900.

Who Needs A Dog?

By Jim Mercer

The Canine variety as a watchdog takes second place to a pair of crows. The Robert Davidson family of Main St. recently acquired a pair of crows and think the clatter they kick up more than fills the shoes of a watchdog.

The family has run into a small problem. The crows kick up just as much of a fuss when they are hungry as they do when a stranger comes into the yard.

The crows require food six times a day. Their diet consists mainly of dog food, bread, milk and a few table scraps.

The birds are allowed to run loose in the yard, even the neighborhood cats are avoiding the yard.

The Davidson family now wonder if the dog food diet has anything to do with it.

Name Clerk

CAYUGA — A Dunnville man has been appointed clerk of the provincial and family courts for Haldimand County.

Maurice K. Humpage, of John Street North, assumed the post on June 2. He succeeds Miss Alice Murphy of Cayuga, who resigned from the positions in April following a controversy over her payment for 16 months' service since the province took over the administration of justice on Jan. 1, 1968.

Miss Murphy remains as acting sheriff, registrar of both supreme and surrogate courts and county court clerk.

Board Establishes Committee

Drew Williamson, President of the Jarvis Board of Trade, presented the list of committees to the Board at their meeting in Jarvis on Monday night.

The committees and their members are as follows with the first named being the Chairman:

Bulletin-George Walker, Rusty More, Vaughn Mitchell; Finance-Bert Pyfrom, Bryce Linlater, Bill Austin, Alan Lundy; Christmas Decorations-Ted Oldham, Howard Elliot, Jack Lloyd, Don Howden, Jake Helder, Doug Payne, Jayne Montague, Elson Reu; Government Affairs-Bob Lysch, George Walker, Drew Williamson, Stan Mitchell; Membership-Vaughn Mitchell, Jerry Vaughan, Nancy Craddock, Industrial and Commercial Affairs-Stanley Mitchell, Ernest Craddock, Paul Hatorp, Bryce Linlater, Drew Williamson; Public Relations-James Miller, Doug Galbraith, Rusty More, Shirley Vaughan; Retail Merchants-Jack Cooke, Coyne Leatherdale, Lloyd Garner, E. Braund, Bob

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A pair of squawking crows do a better job than a watchdog says the Robert Davidson family of Jarvis. Here Larry Davidson, 14, attempts to calm down the pair as the photographer approached. (Photo by Jim Mercer)