

# Duryea supports call for more power to North Country

**BY JIM KENNEDY**  
State Assembly Minority Leader Perry Duryea said Wednesday that he was optimistic about the county's chances for obtaining increased power for the expansion of major industries at Massena.

Duryea made the statement during a press conference held during a brief North Country swing by the Republican legislator, who confirmed Wednesday that he is "doing a little bit more than testing the waters" for a possible bid for the GOP gubernatorial nomination.

Denying that his visit to St. Lawrence County was a "political" trip, the Long Island assemblyman told reporters he had come to meet with local people to learn about local problems.

That he did, as he fielded questions ranging from the power request for Massena industry to the uncertain future of the school of nursing at the St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center.

**Power Issue**  
Duryea said the county's request for power from the 765 kV transmission line, proposed to import power from Hydro-Quebec, was "extremely logical."

"If there is going to be increased power available in the state, either through transmission lines or new generating facilities, then we should support an application of this kind," Duryea said referring to the request.

Duryea said he was particularly encouraged by the proposals for expansion by Reynolds Metals Co. and Chevrolet at Massena. He said that their interest in expansion makes the argument for more power "very compelling."

Asked if he would use his office to help acquire the needed power, he pledged to support any "constructive efforts on the part of the men who elect me their leader," referring to his colleagues in the Assembly, North Country legislators, David Martin of the 112th district and Robert Nortz of the 114th district. Both Martin and Nortz attended the news session with the minority leader.

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The Potsdam Humane Society Animal Shelter, Inc. cannot and will not adopt animals to students. Both colleges have requested us to follow this policy and we ourselves have discovered time and time again that each semester's end brings hordes of furry castaways to our door. If you are a student who desires a pet, reanalyze your thinking. Where will you keep this pet safely confined? Who will look after your pet when you are in class or visiting your girlfriend over the weekend? Do you have enough money to pay for vaccinations, spaying-neutering, proper food, a lease, license, collar, etc. that are the basic requirements of a pet? What will you do at the end of the year? Do your parents really want another furry addition to their family? If you get a summer job or travel, where will your pet be? Why are you wanting a pet? Do you want a cute, little puppy to follow you around to classes to attract attention to yourself?

One student who had retrieved his wandering, unleashed dog from the shelter several times was asked why he had the pup. He replied that he had wanted a dog as a companion and friend. How does one treat a friend? Does he tie him to a picnic table without

adequate shelter during sub-zero temperatures? Does he allow his friend to obtain food and water on a catch-as-catch-can basis? Does he subject him to the hazards of automobiles, other animals, unfriendly people, and inclement weather by allowing him to wander aimlessly without supervision?

Shelter adoption policies are fairly strict in the best interest of the animals. Why take some poor little creature who has already been labeled unwanted when brought to the shelter and put him somewhere else where he will soon be unwanted again? Therefore the shelter will allow no one to adopt an animal unless proper shelter and confinement is provided (fenced yard for dogs; in the house for cats). Shelter animals are given a temporary vaccination against distemper, but must see a vet as soon as possible after adoption for a booster. All animals adopted MUST be neutered/spayed at the appropriate age, and a commitment card is signed to that effect. The shelter follows-up the adopted animal to remind new owners of spay-neuter and generally offer assistance if needed.

If you come to the shelter to adopt a pet, do not see what you want and leave a card with your "request" with Bob, our shelter manager, please call us if you find another pet in the meantime. Bob holds animals for people at our expense, then discovers that those people have already acquired a pet or have changed their mind.

Please do not call us requesting we advertise puppies or kittens you have for sale. We are against exploiting animals for profit and against breeding more animals into our already pet-overpopulated society. We are, however, more than happy to supply you with our lower-cost neuter-spay number (353-8868); for those in financial need or to attempt to place the unwanted animals from the shelter.

Thought for the week: Be kind. Try to do one kindness for a fellow creature (man or beast) this week.

## The Madrid town crier

**BY LULA CLARK**  
Mr. and Mrs. James Nickerson of Wingdale were recent visitors at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Nickerson and his sister, Mrs. Calvin Aumell and family.

**CAMP RETREAT**  
At Camp Aldersgate on September 9 and 10, there will be an opportunity for women of the United Church to have a spiritual life retreat. Please let the pastor know if you are planning to attend.

**SYMPATHY**  
Sympathy is extended to the family of the late Mary Murray. Mrs. Murray passed away following a lingering illness in A. Barton Hepburn Hospital, Ogdensburg.

**SEAWAY SENIORS MEET**  
Seaway Valley Senior Citizens will meet in Waddington Hepburn Library on Tuesday, September 13 at noon for a covered dish dinner and regular meeting to follow.

**CHURCH SCHOOL BEGINS**  
Regular church school will open on September 11 at 9:45 a.m. in the Madrid United Church. Church services will follow at 11:00 a.m. with the choir also to begin a new season. It is hoped that FYP will also resume meeting at 7 p.m. on the same date.

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Marion Bouchard has returned home following observation at Potsdam hospital.

**VISIT RELATIVES**  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith and son David spent Saturday and Sunday visiting relatives in Sodus. Marty Smith, who had spent one week at the home of his uncle in Pulaski returned to his home with his parents.

**DANCE DEMONSTRATION**  
Members of the Seaway Square and Skirts N Flirts Dance clubs gave a demonstration of modern western square dancing at the Mayfield Apartments following a covered dish supper on Wednesday evening.

**FAMILY PICNIC**  
The Skirts N Flirts are planning a family picnic at Hogley Flow State Park on Sunday September 11 at noon. Please bring table service and a dish to pass.

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**BARBECUE**  
A family style chicken barbecue will be held September 10 in the Scotch Presbyterian Church community room. Chipman. Booths open at 4 p.m. with serving at 5 p.m.

**COVERED DISH DINNER**  
The ladies of the United Church are asked to meet at the home of Mrs. Emma Gooden Thursday, September 8, at 10:30 a.m. to go to the Golden Camp Site for a covered dish dinner. Please bring table service and a dish to serve. Rides will be made available.

**AUCTION HELD**  
A farm auction was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaines on Thursday. Some household items were sold as was the farm machinery and cattle. The Gaines plan to go to Florida some time in October.

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**765 Line**  
Asked specifically about his views on the proposed 765 kV line, Duryea said a "happy marriage" should be sought between environmental interests and the state's need for additional energy supplies.

Duryea said that he appreciated the "agricultural interests" involved — specifically the issue of adequate compensation for farmland taken to clear a right-of-way for the line and the problem of providing safeguards against possible health hazards that may result from the operation of the line. But he said those concerns "can be met and the power can still be made available."

He claimed that farms have been operating under high voltage power lines in other states and countries without any ill effects. He added that the demand for energy would likely double by 1985, necessitating the state's development of either new transmission or generating facilities.

**Bond Issue**  
On another related issue, Duryea said he "generally supported" the concept of state bonding for economic development, but he cautioned that the \$750 million bond issue proposed by Gov. Hugh Carey was not "specific" as to the projects to be funded.

He said it was "only logical and fair" that the state's taxpayers be informed about what they are voting for. Otherwise, he said, it would be like buying a "pig in a poke."

Before the state can initiate a major bond issue, it must seek voter approval. The governor will seek authorization of the current proposal in the November elections.

Duryea said he was also concerned about other bond issues which have been authorized by the voters but never used. He said there were rail service, pure waters, and recreational bond issues that have gone "virtually untouched" after being okayed by the taxpayers.

He said he was hopeful that industrial park projects at both Massena and Ogdensburg could be funded under the new bond issue if it is authorized.

County and state officials were to meet today to discuss the county's priorities for funding under the bonding plan.

## Gubernatorial Bid

Aside from the discussion of energy and industrial development, probably one of the most interesting questions posed to the Assembly leader concerned himself, not the North Country.

Asked if he were "testing the waters" for a possible bid for the Republican nomination for governor in 1978, Duryea said he was doing "a little bit more" than that. In fact he said he was not just testing the waters, he was "immersed."

"I'm doing a little bit more than jogging right now," he responded when asked if he were running for the GOP nod.

He described himself as a Republican "moderate," when he was asked to compare himself to another Republican hopeful, conservative Congressman Jack Kemp of Buffalo, the former professional football star for the Buffalo Bills. Kemp represents the 38th congressional district in the House of Representatives in Washington.

Duryea also threw up a smokescreen of other names he claimed to have heard mentioned for the race to unseat Democratic Gov. Hugh Carey, including local Congressman Robert C. McEwen and state Senate majority leader, Warren Anderson of Binghamton.

Despite his persistent denials, Duryea is regarded as a frontrunner for the nomination. Prior to the press conference, he was invited to attend a Republican reception in his honor at the Riverside camp of Frank A. Augsbury Jr. A number of prominent Republicans from both St. Lawrence and Jefferson counties reportedly attended.

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