

mation added, so Mr. Stewart might deal with all requests more quickly.

Because of her rural upbringing in Uxbridge she was familiar with the "farming language" so it was much easier to deal with rural requests. Filing probably has the greatest impact on the day-to-day business and top priority must be given to locating information immediately so valuable time is never lost in hunting for material.

The telephone is not only a method of communicating but allows Mrs. Purdy the opportunity to promote good public relations between the other Departments of Government as well as the public.

Mrs. Purdy says there is no stereotyped atmosphere in her job and she enjoys the variety in her every day work as Secretary to Minister of Agriculture and Food for Ontario.

Winner of Queen's Guineas



The Queen's Guineas winner, Fred Thompson and brother Rob who placed third in the Guineas class are both members of the Orangeville 4-H Beef Calf Club.

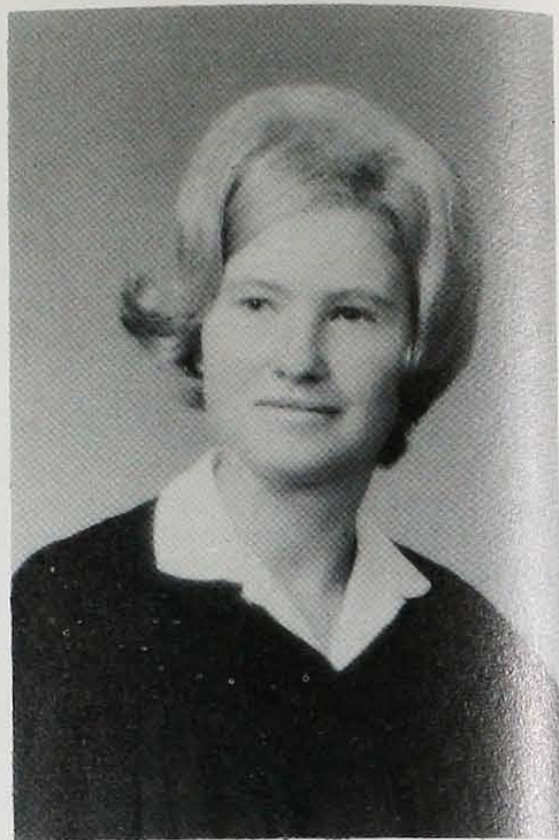
These boys are of special interest to Women's Institute members. Their Mother Mrs. E. Russell Thompson is a member of Camilla Women's Institute, and "Aunt Mary Dawson" is in charge of the Loan Library in the Home Economics Branch of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food.

Special banquets and local honours have been bestowed upon Fred, a grade twelve student at the Orangeville District High School. Both Fred and his brother Rob have been members of East Dufferin Junior Farmers as well as the Forage and Tractor Clubs.

New Field Worker

The Chairman of the F.W.I.C. Northern Committee, Mrs. Martha Bielish, has found a field worker for the north, Mrs. Rachel Paton. Mrs. Paton's main task will be to organize and coordinate Territorial Women's Institute Branches.

Junior President



Miss Sharon Passmore — President, Ontario Junior Women's Institutes.

She grew up on a farm northeast of Exeter, received her Provincial Honours, as well as a Women's Institute Scholarship from Huron County and was a delegate to the Girls' Conference in Guelph.

Sharon says, "It was not until I attended Teacher's College in London that I appreciated how fortunate I was to have been raised in the country."

A President in 1972-73 of the West Elgin Unit of the Federation of Women Teachers' Association, she feels teaching is challenging and rewarding. Children today seem so much more mature and creative, and often teach us a great deal also.

Travel makes reading more realistic. She has been to Rome, Western Canada, Bermuda and Florida and hopes to see more of Europe this summer.

Sharon was a Junior Farmer member in Huron when Junior Institute was affiliated with Junior Farmers. In 1967, she attended the first Junior Women's Institute Conference, and the following year in Centralia was nominated to the executive as Program Advisor. She then held the offices of Public Relations Officer, Vice-President and then as President.

Being nominated as President of the Junior Women's Institutes of Ontario was a highlight of her work in Junior Institute, an honour, and has been a rewarding experience to Sharon. She feels it has helped her develop leadership qualities and responsibility and helped her to attain personal growth and satisfaction. It also has taught her to be a little more outgoing and gain self confidence.

Sharon's wish for the Junior Women's Institutes in 1974, is a bright future in the growth of the organization, of many new branches throughout the Province of Ontario and that the members will contribute to the personal development of "Our Home and Country."