Six Ontario Scholarships were among the many awards trophies, prizes and certificates presented Saturday when Cartwright High School held their annual Commencement Exercises at the Blackstock Recreation Centre. Presented with Ontario Scholarships were, from left to right, (seated) Susan Thompson, Marie Van Camp (back) Kathy Gunter, Paul Kristensen, Ivan DeJong, and Cheryl Wright. 1975

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A scene from Cartwright High School's production of The Mystery of Mouldy Manor, this time performed for grade 9 and 10 students at Port Perry High School. A spider descends on Eric Post (Dasterdly Doctor Dick), while Carol Rushton and Shawn Severn (Jennifer, Nick Sherlock) look on in horror.

## Area member chairman of school board

Former secondary school teacher and long-time resident of the Port Perry area, Yvonne Christie was elected chairman of the Durham Board of Education by acclamation last Monday.

Mrs. Christie was a trustee on the board for three years. The vice-chairman's spot she vacated, was filled by Steven Saywell.

In an address of the 1976 inaugeral board meeting, she called finances the major concern of the Durham board in the coming

year, and said that Durham region taxpayers are "in for a rude shock" this year despite the fact that the board has not spent up to its grantable ceilings in previous years.

She suggested a review of the effectiveness of the Durham board's administration, with an eye to possible expense cuts.

The new board chairman also expressed the hope the board's on-going curricular studies will continue.

"This board devotes more time to curriculum review

at the board level than many others in Ontario," she said. Mrs. Christie said the future of the early childhood education program in Durham will be discussed by the board in the spring.

"My own opinion is that nursery programs away from the school institution are more viable for socialization of children." she said.

Mrs. Christie told the trustees in her acceptance of the chairman's post, "being a board of education must come first in 1976," regardless of finances.



Cartwright High School in Blackstock held their annual Winter Carnival last Thursday, an event that includes such things as snow sculpturing, various winter sports events and other activities. The all-day carnival concluded with a dance in the evening at the community centre, and the crowning of a Heart Queen to kick off the schools Heart Fund campaign. Chosen queen was pretty Cindy VanCamp (centre). Runners-up are Cindy McCall (left) and Debbie Mclaughlin.