



A RESERVED MAYOR? Tom Hill lets the chips fall where they may to get the job done.

People On The Inside

Mayor Tom Hill--- He calls them as he sees them

By Gerry Landsborough

Have you ever wondered what makes a man choose politics, and what keeps him there? For Tom Hill Mayor of Halton Hills, politics was not the first choice.

Tom worked for over 30 years at the Domtar paper mill, previously Alliance paper mill. Active in the union for 14 years, he later became Union president, and was the first man to initiate paid-up hospital benefits by the company for retired employees. Tom felt that after 30 or 40 years service to a company they deserved it. Mr. E. H. Gorth, office manager at Domtar, said, "Tom always called a spade a spade. That's what I liked about him."

His career in politics began shortly after Glen Williams was hit with the worst flooding in years back in 1965. Many families were flooded right out. Tom Hill was asked to go to the council and represent the community in which he had lived all his life. They wanted the town declared a disaster area. One politician remarked that, "I don't care if the whole of Glen Williams goes right down the Credit."

That was enough to spark Tom Hill's interest in politics and so his own political career began.

He first served as a councillor for Equeusing Township in 1966. He made his way up through the ranks until he became Reeve. When regional government began he

successfully ran for Mayor of the newly-formed region of Halton Hills.

Tom speaks in a measured easy manner, almost a southern drawl which might have been passed on from his father who was born and raised in Kentucky. His manner is quiet, with a sprinkling of good humor—quick and dry—but definitely hearty.

His attitude towards politics could be summed up in his own statement. "I feel a man can only do what his conscience tells him is the right thing. I can still sleep easy at night, and as long as I can I'll stay with it. When I can't sleep nights, it's time to get out."

Mayor Hill takes his job very seriously. During his vacation he still comes in each morning to answer the calls personally. "I believe in listening to the people; that's what I'm here for," he said.

The walls of the mayor's office bear several reminders of his love for horses and the track. His father before him loved horses and was an official at the races; so he comes by his own love of the animals naturally. He's never missed a Queens Plate yet, and often finds himself in the money. "I never take more than one hundred dollars, and if I lose, then that's it. But I don't lose too often."

On his hand he wears a beautiful gold ring with the head of a horse surrounded by 17 small diamonds, which he designed himself—a further testimony of his admiration for the animal.

In the corner of the office sits his new set of golf clubs that he hadn't been able to break in yet this year. "There just doesn't seem to be enough time to get everything you want done," he said. That's quite a statement from a man who is busy at work on his holiday time—obviously there because he cares—perhaps a little too much.

Tom Hill is not a showy person. He appears to believe more in doing than in talking about it. When asked about his present council he replied quite proudly that he was told by a provincial representative that he wished all the region could "pull together" like the boys in Halton Hills. Pulling together is a key-word with Tom. "It's always a team effort," he said. "Pulling together is what makes things work."

When asked about growth in the region he replied, "I'd like to see growth—more industry—but controlled growth. Right now a priority is the sewage plant, you can't have growth without the proper facilities," he said.

Tom Hill is now thoroughly committed to politics. He likes it and in turn is well liked for the job he's doing. As he said, "a man can only do what he believes is right and follow through. But he must be willing to change and re-evaluate if proven wrong. You have to play by the rules and be willing to listen to the other guy."

We wish Tom Hill many more successful years in his chosen career...any man who works for the people on his own vacation time definitely deserves it.

A new store is 'barn'

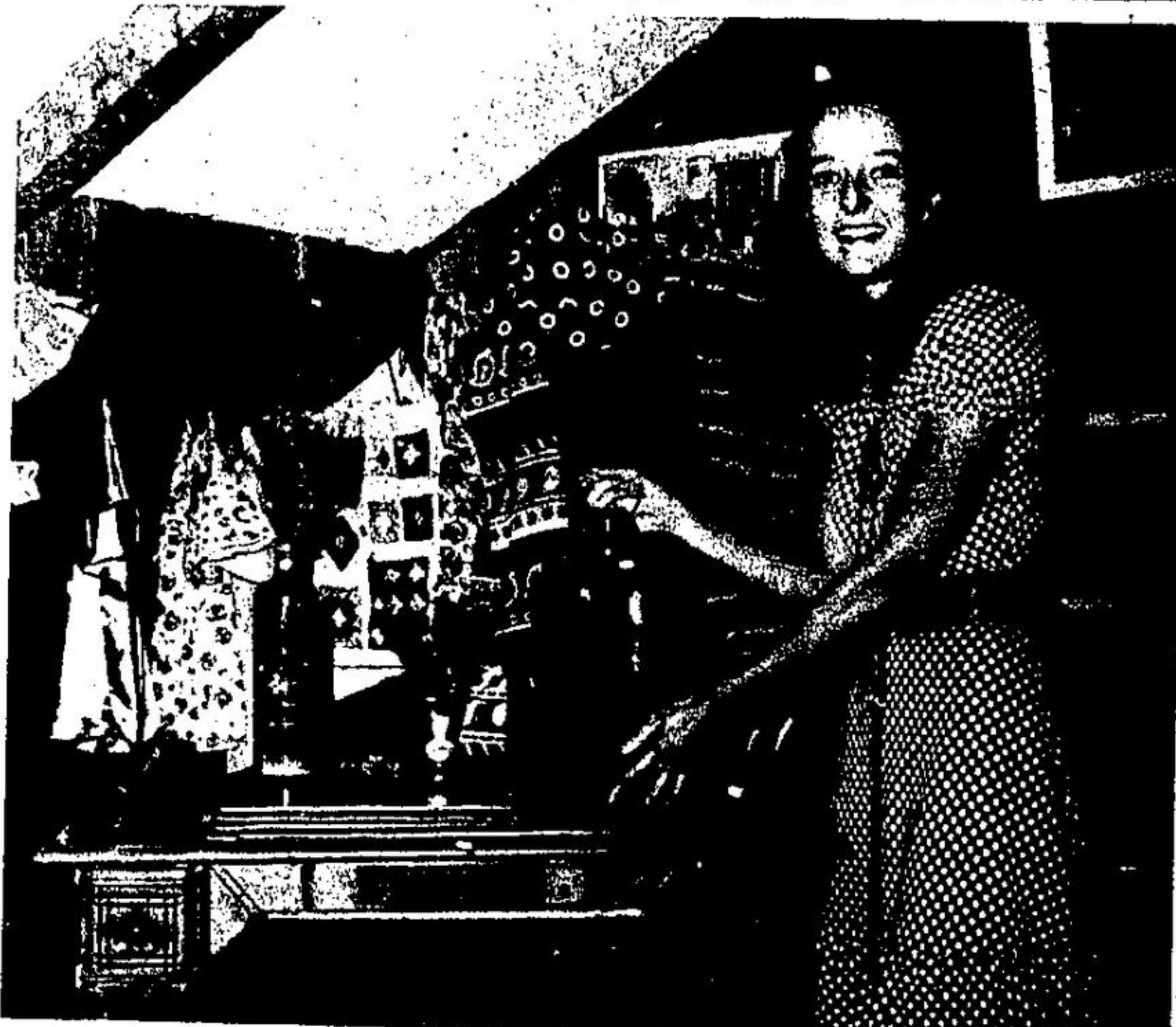
After months of hard work, pooling their artistic talents, Ellen Copeland of 4 Reid Court and her sister Mrs. Susan Casella of Buttonville have proudly opened a craft and antique shop.

"Located in the upstairs of a barn-garage which Susan's husband Ed had built, the little boutique is like a "dream come true" for the two sisters. "I have been teaching school and after we started to raise a

family I didn't like the thought of just sitting at home, doing nothing, but watching my family. As for Ellen, well she couldn't stand the thought of sitting in someone else's office all day," explained Susan. Ellen and Susan have made almost all the crafts old in the shop. Double size quilts, long pinafore aprons, decoupage wall plaques, hand carved wooden toys, macrame,

jewellery of all sorts knitted doll clothes, children's clothes, etc., all make the shop too irresistible to walk out of empty handed. For those antique minded persons, there are refinished chairs, butter churns, a dining room table, washstands, a sewing machine cabinet, a wrought iron stove, a collection of sealers, antique china and glassware with the

list going on and on. Sonya Bell of 6 Reid Court has a selection of her paintings at the store. Sonya specializes in Canadian oil paintings, all depicting scenes and buildings of Georgetown and the surrounding areas. The barn board which covers all sides of the shop holds an unusual tale. Susan and Ellen decided that barn board would best set the



THE BUTTONVILLE SHOPPE. Ellen Copeland of 4 Reid Court proudly displays a few of the many arts, crafts and antiques for

sale in her new shop. Ellen is in partnership with her sister, Mrs. Susan Casella. Their little shop is located at Susan's home in Buttonville.

Carol McGilvray, Richard Richmond wed in St. John's

St. John's United Church, Georgetown was the setting for the candlelight wedding of Carol Emaline McGilvray and Richard Lyons Richmond on Saturday, July 5, at seven o'clock in the evening. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garfield McGilvray of 8 Guelph Street, Georgetown and the groom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Clifford R. Richmond of Picton.

Rev. Harold Martin of St. John's was assisted in the double ring ceremony by the groom's uncle, Archdeacon A. J. Anderson of Kingston. Mrs. John Brown (nee Barbara Evans) of Owen Sound, a lifelong friend of the bride, was

solist. She sang the Lord's Prayer prior to the ceremony and The Wedding Prayer during the signing of the register. Her mother, Mrs. James Evans, was at the organ to accompany her. She played Praise the Lord as a processional and Purcell's Trumpet Voluntary as a recessional. The bride, given in marriage by her father, was gownned in matte silk, styled on empire lines with train and lace Juliet cap. The bodice was fashioned with lace and beading. She carried a spray of red Roses and Baby's Breath.

Following the wedding the bride's parents entertained their guests at the Twenty-One Steak House in Brampton. The bride's mother wore a floral, floor-length gown of silk knit, in white and green with an Orchid corsage. The groom's mother wore a full-length floral dress in predominantly blue and pink shades with matching coat and Orchid corsage. The bride is a graduate of Georgetown District High School and the University of Western Ontario, London. She spent a year studying at the Sorbonne in Paris. She is presently teaching French at

the Collegiate Institute in Chatham. The groom is a graduate of Trinity College School in Port Hope and Waterloo Lutheran University. He has been teaching for the Frontenac Board of Education in Kingston and will be teaching, come the new school year, at the McKeough Public School in Chatham. For her going away outfit the bride wore a white, street-length dress trimmed in red and blue. She wore a corsage of red Roses from her bridal flowers. After spending six weeks touring England, Scotland and Wales by car the happy couple will make their home at RR6, Chatham. Prior to her marriage the bride wore a white, street-length dress trimmed in red and blue. She wore a corsage of red Roses from her bridal flowers.



Carol McGilvray-Richard Richmond

Miss Lynn Arnott of Toronto was her only attendant. She wore a sleeveless turquoise dress with long lace sleeve jacket, and carried a spray of white carnations and Baby's Breath. Kenneth R. Richmond of Ridgeway was his brother's best man. The ushers were Russell Davies of Kingston and Mr. Thomas Walmsley of Millford.

Dennis McClure on farm tour

Dennis McClure, RR3, Georgetown, is one of 30 young farmers and potential farmers from across the province participating in the 24th annual Junior Farmer Soil and Crop Management Tour, July 21 to 25. This year the tour begins at

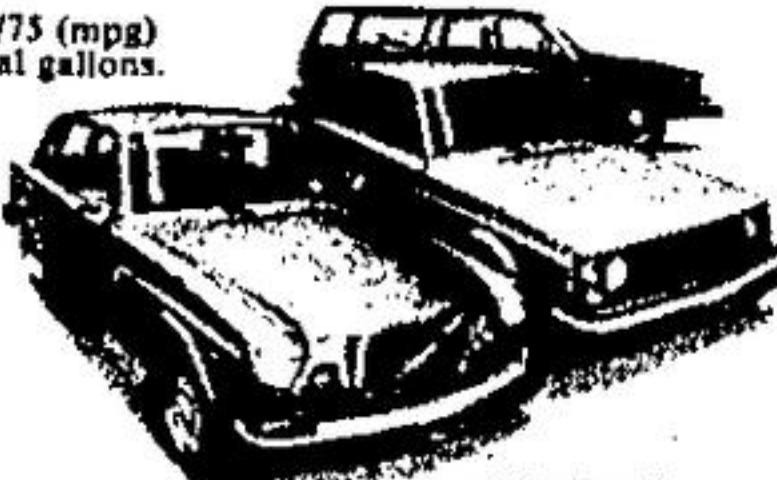
Guelph with visits to Canfarm and the Soils and Crops Research Departments of the Ontario Agricultural College. The following day the group heads east for a three-day study of soil and crop management systems on a practical farm basis in the regional municipalities of Peel, Halton, York and Durham. Twenty farms will be visited, as well as the Ontario Food Terminal, the Ontario Flower Growers' Auction and the new Ontario Agricultural Museum. Some time will also be spent examining land use practices in the Pickering area. The Soil and Crop Management Tour is one of several educational programs for young farmers provided by the Ontario ministry of agriculture and food.

Want Guelph Street widened to four lanes

Town council has begun negotiations with the province to have Guelph Street widened to four lanes from Mountainview Road to just east of Delrex Boulevard, as well as to have traffic lights installed at the intersection of Guelph and Delrex. Commented Councillor Ric Morrow, "Two lanes are just not sufficient to handle the load that is now on Guelph."

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