## Halton Hills farmer new Royal Winter Fair pres.



Reford W. Gardhouse, RR5 Milton, was elected last Tuesday as the 22nd President of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair, according to an announcement by the Board of Directors at the annual meeting. Replacing Trumbull Warren, O.B.E., in this capacity, Mr. Gardhouses's role as vice-president since 1974 will be assumed by Jack D. Pemberion, Toronto.

Mr. Gardhouse was born and raised on a 200-acre purebred beef cattle, heavy horse and sheep farm near Weston, Ontario. He is the fifth generation to have farmed full time and with distinction in Ontario since his great, great Chairman, Canadian National grandfather, John Gardhouse Livestock Records Board and emigrated to Canada in 1837 has been Presdient of the from Cumberland County. Candian Shorthorn England. Now his son, Association, the Joint Breeds Douglas, a 1973 graduate in of Canada, and the Ontario Animal Science from the University of Guelph, is in an active farming partnership with his father.

In 1940, Reford Gardhouse, one of three brothers, took over the management of "Aberfeldy Farms" from his father, A. Stanley Gardhouse. but sold it in 1953 for industrial development and moved to his current 300-acre property at Milton, Ontario. Like his famous ancestors, Mr. Gardhouse is one of the best know farmers, Shorthorn breeders, and exporters of purebred cattle in North and South America, as well as Europe.

He has judged Shorthorns twice at the Perth Bull Sales in Perth, Scotland, three times at the Palermo Show in Argentina, and four times at the Chicago International. He has, of course, exhibited and won many top breeder awards at major livestock shows in Canada and the United States.

At the age of six, Reford attended the first Royal with his father back in 1922 and he has never missed a show since. There has always been a

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REFORD GARDHOUSE, who farms six miles south of Georgetown, was elected president of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair last Tuesday in Toronto. Mr. Gordhouse, shown here with his wife Helen; past president Trumbell Warren and RAWF general manager John Moules, becomes the 22nd president of the RAWF. The election took place at the fair's annual meeting where a

reception following honored the new president.

member of the Gardhouse family on the directorate or a Royal committee since ints inception, Reford having been a director since 1960. He has been a member of the dected to the Hall in 1963 for Executive Comittee since 196t, his outstanding contribution to a former Chairman of the Beef Cattle Committee and a member of the Budget Committee for the past two years.

Currently, he is Vice-

Cattle Breeders' Association. As a Director of the Conadian Agricultural Hall of Fame, he is reminded that his grandfather, John Gardhouse II was Canadian agriculture.

Active in local, municipal, hospital and church affairs, Mr. Gardhouse is married to the former Helen Williams, a farm girl from Vaughan Township. They have a married daughter, Carolyn, and two sons, Larry and

## Depressed markets cut Domtar profits

Domtar Limited, in its annual report issued last week, says that the sunstantial decline in its 1975 profits over the previous year's record level was mainly attributable to depressed economic conditions which severely affected the market for the company's pulp and paper products in Canada and throughout the world.

The situation was aggravated by the continuing effects of inflation on manufacturing costs and the lengthy strikes which resulted in the closing of most of the company's primary pulp and paper mills for a substantial part of the year.

As reported earlier, Domtar's sales for 1975 were \$815.2 million compared with \$897.7 million in 1974. The company's net earnings for 1975 were \$35.3 million compared with \$82.5 million in 1974.

Sales and pre-tax earnings for 1975 and for the previous year were distributed among the company's three major product groups as follows:

1975 - \$ millions - 1974

Sales Earnings Sales Earnings Pulp and Paper \$508.9 \$22.7 \$622.9 \$116.1 Construction Materials 160.1 16.2 144.1 14.7 146.2 20.1 130.7 16.8 Chemicals

\$815.2 \$59.0 \$897.7 \$147.6

Domtar says the relative stability of the earnings generated by the construction materials and chemical groups, despite generally poor economic conditions, is indicative of the steady contributions made by these groups over the years to the consolidated results of

All companies in the pulp and paper group showed decreased profits, ranging from sharp drops in fine papers and packaging to more modest declines in pulp and

Domtar predicts that economic recovery during 1976 will be comparatively modest and that it will be some time before the company can regain the high levels of operation which it achieved in 1973 and 1974.

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## Free enterprise system threatened

enterprise" by their national president at a special meeting government recently to ex-Tuesday evening.

This was the first time that Cecil Bechamp or, for that matter, any other national president, had paid a visit to the Georgetown club and approximately 35 members and wives were on hand to hear the president present a forceful address on the importance of promoting free enterprise in Canado.

Mr. Bechamp, a resident of Pierrefonds, a suburb of Montreal, told the Georgetown club that Canada's free enterprise system had run into a great deal of flack, principally from the federal government.

the Georgetown club for its JAYCEES SPEAKERS-Graduates of the Effective Speaking Course held by the Georgetown Jaycees were presented their diplomas at last week's meeting. The graduates are (from left) Dale Thibodeau, Ted Barrow, Marilyn Thomas, Tony Chiovitti, class instructor Suc Barrow, Dave Tyrrell and Bill Gassner.

When the Jaycees and the involvement in community Canadlan Chambers of Commerce met with the

affairs particularly organizing

the All-Candidates evening during last year's provincial press their concerns, Mr.

Following Mr. Bechamp's address six graduates of the Effective Speaking Course held by the Javcees took part in a speaking competition.

Following an introduction by Marilyn Thomas speeches on the "The future of the young man in Canada" were given by Ted Barrow, Tony Chiovitti,

Dave Tyrell, Dale Thibodeau and Bill Gassner. Instructor of the course was Sue Barrow. Ted Barrow was judged the best of the five speakers.



### Town staff will be taking trips in near future

The town's works and engineering departments will be attending a number of conferences the next two months, including one trip to Calcago for a refuse collection

and disposal workshop.

requests from the town

Bechamp recalled, "it was

very noticeable, the gap is

there. You really feel so

powerless when you're talking

He explained that they had

tad to present their brief

covering their feelings two

weeks in advance to the PM's

office but had no opportunity

for a 1 attal to the PM's

"We've got to make our-

selves heard," Mr. Bechamp

said. "Our nution has been

built upon free enterprise and

we must work to protect it."

Mr. Bechamp congratulated

The works committee tending the APWA-sponsored

"TOMORROW'S PROMISE." These youngsters par-

ticipated in an oratorical contest sponsored by the

Georgetown Optimists Club last Tuesday on the topic

"Tomorrow's Promise." Front row (from left to right)

Anne Beettam, Michelle Miegm, Steve Saxon and Wilfred

the topic of the fourth annual event at Stewarttown com-

oratorical contest sponsored munity hall last Wednesday.

Club. Seventeen area school division was Suzanne Mar-

children participated in the

Placing first in the girl's

Monday night approved three workshop on refuse collection in Chicago on April 27 and 28 at engineer for money to pay for an approximate cost of \$300. Town engineer Bob Austin and his assistant Ted Ballinger

John Dunn, the town's will attend a drainage seminar service foreman, will be at- in Toronto at an expense of \$85

Gray. Second row: Stacey Adams, Marian Peeters,

Virginia Hopkinson, Jessica Buscher, Suzanne Martineau

and Rosemarie Coniglio. Third row: Mary Lynn Morrow,

Mellisa Bell, Joanne Hachey, Jim Saxon, Gwynneth Gibb

and Deborah Geberlein.

Martineau and Saxon top in Optimists contest

tineau of Sacre Couer School.

Mary Lynn Morrow of

Stewarttown School was third.

In the boy's division, Steve

D. Swackhammer and G. Fendley will both be registering in the C.S. An-derson Road School at the University of Guelph from May 2 to 5 at a cost of \$90 each

## No more French teachers for Halton elementary schools

An attempt to increase the French teaching staff in Halton's elementary schools was voted down last Thursday right by the Halton Board of Education.

defeated would have kept 25 percent of the region's elementary French teachers as resident teachers in 1976 and increase that percentage 25 percent per year after that. The end results would have seen a resident French teacher in each of Halton's elementary schools within four years.

for the teaching of grade 7 and B pupils either 40 minutes

of instruction John Beich told sufficient."

oratorical contest were JoAnn

Hachey, Virginia Hopkinson

and Jessican Buscher, all of

Stewarttown school; Gwyn-

neth Gibb, Deborah Geberlein,

Rosemarie Conglio and Anne

Beettam, all of Robert Little

School, Acton; Melissa Bell

and Stacey Adams of Cen-

tennial School; and Michelle

Michm of St. Francis of Assisi

much greater ease in the higher grades." "This board places a great deal of emphasis on its core curriculum," commented trustee Gary Morton. "Because of the country we The proposal that was live in, like it or not, we must

As well the proposal called

every other day or 20 minutes daily, subject to the ministry of education's approval. Even at that superintendent

the board, "I have serious reservations that 20 minutes a day of French instruction is Helen Mitchell, co-ordinator

of communications arts for the Halton board, added that 20 minutes of French per day "would provide a solid base of motivation for the student to develop his bilingualism with

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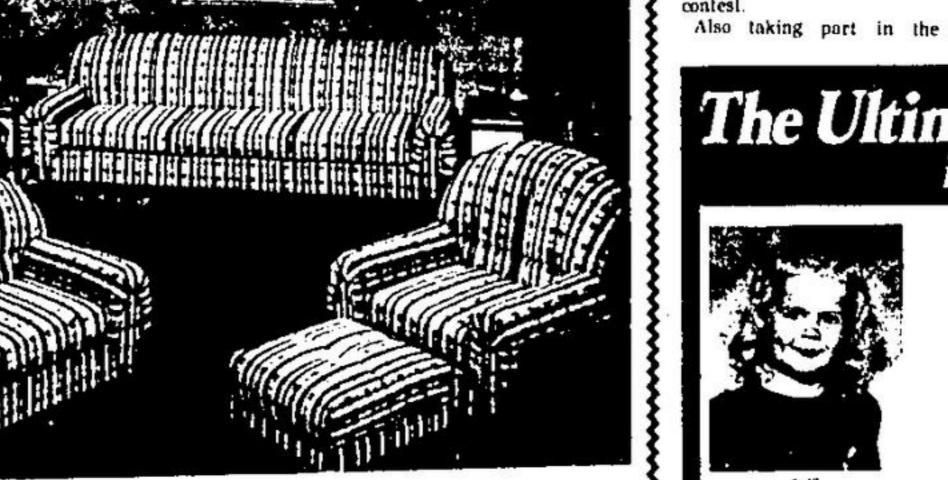
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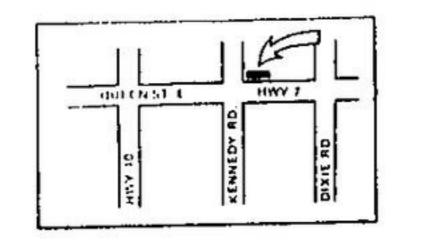
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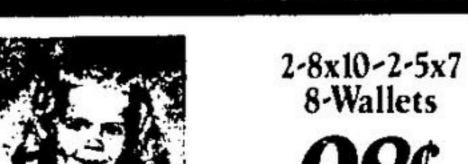
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a local bank manager and

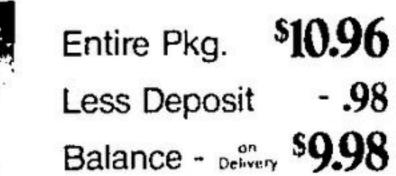
chairman of the oratorical

Assisi school by David Peach,

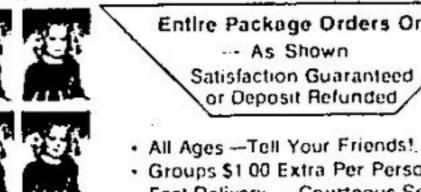
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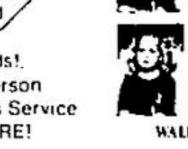
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