



New Regime

The Georgetown Agricultural Society staged a traditional "passing of the gavel" Saturday at their annual general meeting. Members of the executive for 1983 are, from left, Glenda Benton (executive-at-large), Al Cook (2nd vice-president), Bruce McClure

(president), Bob Malcolmson (immediate past president and current secretary-treasurer), and Jeff Nurse (executive-at-large). Absent are Brian Butler (1st vice-president) and Janet Armstrong (assistant to the secretary). (Herald photo)

Town may contribute to sculpture

Halton Hills councillors want to contribute \$500 to help build a sculpture celebrating human rights in Canada.

The sculpture, by Montreal artist Melvin Charney, will sit in the centre of Ottawa, facing the War Memorial museum.

"The Tribute is the first monument in the world dedicated to fundamental human rights and will

serve as a national symbol of the need to guarantee and enhance these rights. It is indeed an historic and unique project," said tribute executive director Joe Sadowski in a letter to the town.

Any people or organizations donating at least \$500, will have their names recorded in a ceremonial program which will be placed in the National Archives of

Canada, said Mr. Sadowski.

In a lengthy, prepared speech, Coun. Gerald Rennie said the town should support the Tribute with a \$500 contribution. Any visitors to the monument from Halton Hills would be glad to see the town's name on the contributors list, said Coun. Rennie.

The town's budget committee will decide whether or not the town has the money to contribute to the project.

Mystery caller charged

A 31-year-old Halton Hills man faces criminal charges, including abuse of the 911 emergency system, following a series of bizarre telephone calls Jan. 7.

Halton Regional Police say a man made three telephone calls through the 911 emergency telephone number Jan. 7. On the first occasion a man said his house was on fire. In the second phone call, a man said someone was attempting to break into his house and in the third phone call, a man said there were "bodies lying around his residence."

Ontario Provincial Police in Milton received similar phone calls, says Halton Regional Police

Sgt. Dave Pruitt.

Police then traced the number and arrested a resident of Concession 1 in Halton Hills.

The man has been charged with abuse of the 911 system, public mischief and possession of property obtained by crime.

He will appear in court Feb. 20.

Police can trace a caller through the 911 system by locking into the call in a very short period of time, said Sgt. Pruitt.

Abuses of the 911 number, which was introduced in Halton in 1985, "are taken seriously and will be dealt with severely," said Sgt. Pruitt.

Council against 'war games'

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"We should put the priorities of the taxpayers first and not 10 or 15 outsiders that might come and disrupt the routine of people living here."

Coun. Elliott said the philosophical argument against war games "should not be forgotten."

"Some people find it very offensive... if you gave them a camera and asked them to do it that way the thrill would be gone," said Coun. Elliott.

"I'm concerned at their way of life and I don't want to see them lose it," said Coun. Alf Spence of

neighboring residents.

"I don't think anybody has the right to disturb a neighborhood," added Coun. Gerald Rennie.

Coun. Anne Currie, who said she tried to "set aside any biases," said she "can't see any redeeming features" about the games.

Coun. Robert Heaton, the only councillor to vote against the motion protesting the games, said his recreational department played the game several years ago and found no problems.

"There are some people who want to ban video attack games," he said. "How far do we go with this type of (reasoning)?"

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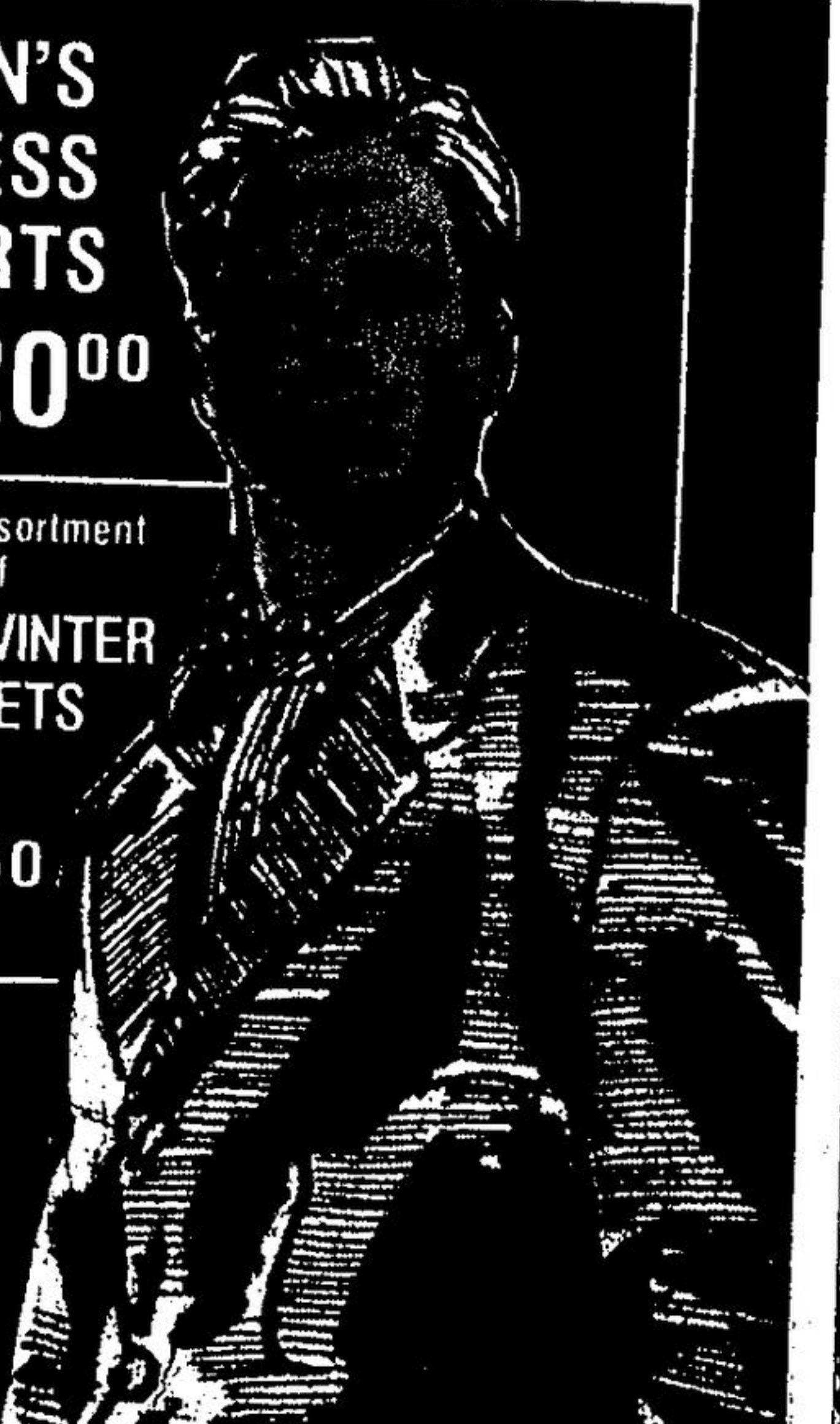
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