

# Nassagaweya Rural Watch gets back in action after burglaries

A rash of burglaries in the Campbellville area has prompted members of Nassagaweya Rural Watch to crack down on thieves by rejuvenating the program.

"The more people that are out there looking, the more there is to help," said Jean Wood, a volunteer with the program.

Gerry Brooks of Campbellville, a victim of thieves who targeted his home earlier this week, said, "There's no worse feeling than

waking up at 5 a.m. to the sounds of criminals rummaging through our house. The terror felt at that point for the safety of your wife and children is one that is becoming all too frequent by our friends and neighbors in the village."

Brooks said he is particularly concerned about the senior citizens in the neighborhood who are "perceived by these thugs as easy targets."

He also said the community

intends to work hard to restore safety in the community. An improved Nassagaweya Rural Watch is just the first step.

"I intend to live here and raise my family in a safe community. I'm not going to let the criminal element transform this beautiful village into a place where my daughter can't safely walk down the street to visit our neighbors."

For more information, call Gerry Brooks at 854-9826.



Guardsman Mike Verrette of Acton takes a bead on approaching enemy forces during a woodclearing exercise at the Central Area Concentration which took place in Petawawa during the summer. Verrette serves with the Governor General Foot Guards.

## Local soldier serves in summer training

Two thousand part-time soldiers of the Army Reserve in Ontario - the Militia - were recently in the field for two weeks of combat training. They're being supported by nearly a thousand soldiers from units of the Special Service Force, the Canadian Army's quick-reaction brigade based at Petawawa, Ontario. Called Central Area Concentration 91, the exercise began August 9 and ran until August 25.

Military training areas at Petawawa and Meaford were being used throughout the exer-

cise. Armored units concentrated in Meaford, where their training is being supported and conducted by the Royal Canadian Dragoons. Infantry, artillery, engineer and combat service support units were in Petawawa with the help of the Canadian Airborne Regiment, 2 Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, 1 Battalion of the Royal Canadian Regiment, 2 Combat Engineer Regiment, 2 Service Battalion, Special Service Force Headquarters and Signals Squadron, 2 Field Ambulance, 2 Military Police Platoon, and the 427 Tactical Helicopter Squadron. Senior commanders from across Ontario were in North Bay for a week of professional development in strategy, tactics and leadership.

Regular and Reserve units were training together to create what the Army calls Total Force, integrated units able to expand or adapt to meet Peacekeeping, Internal Security or Disaster Relief tasks as they arise. Integrated training is cost-efficient because material and human resources, both Regular and Reserve, are consolidated into one organization.

Combat training is the foundation of all military skills, including those used in Peacekeeping, Internal Security and Disaster Relief operations. Armored units in Meaford focused on battle tank tactics and mobile reconnaissance, while the infantry in Petawawa focused on patrols, small attacks and air mobile assaults. Engineers were building bridges and laying minefields while medical platoons practised evacuation and treatment procedures.



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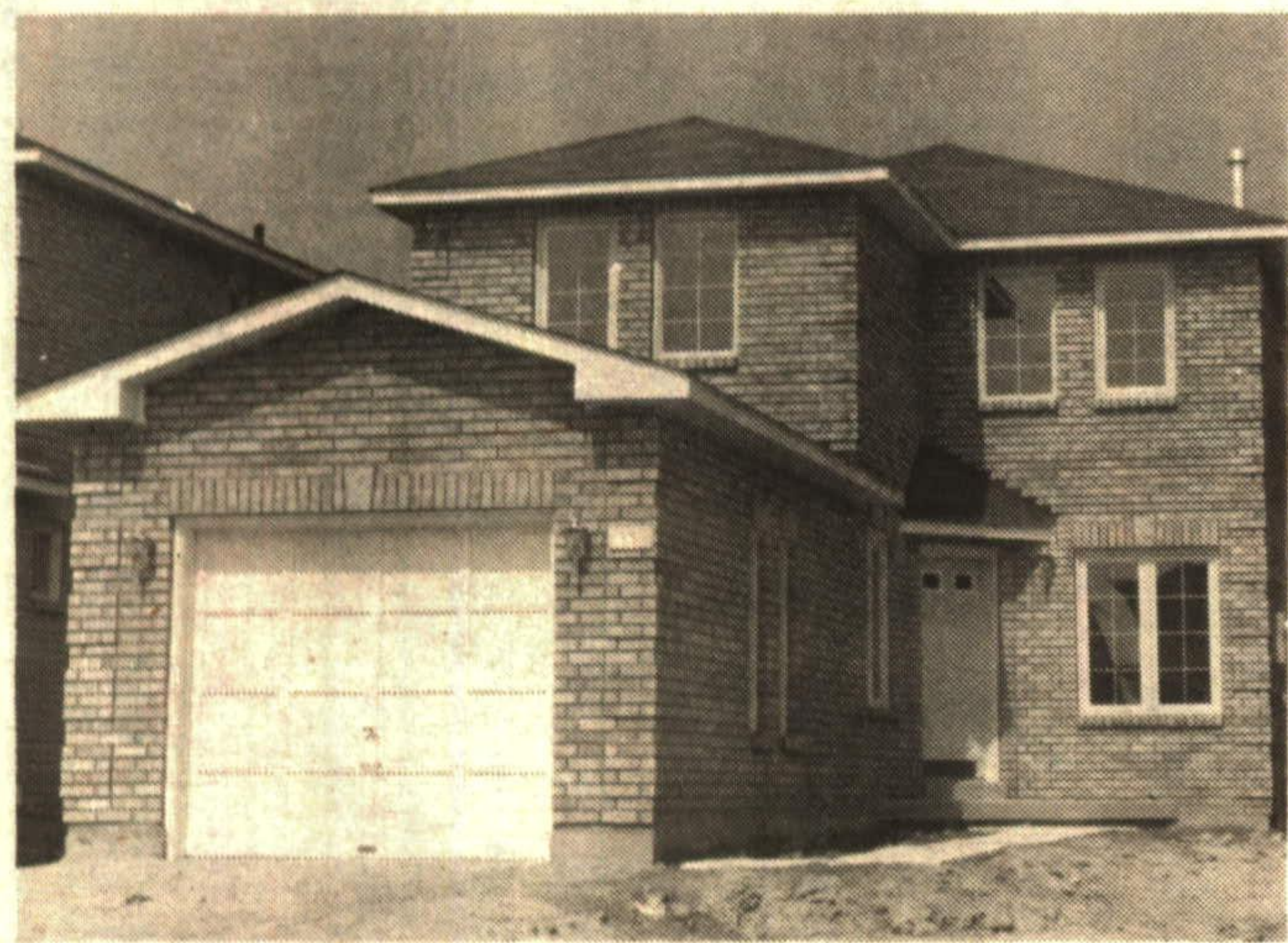


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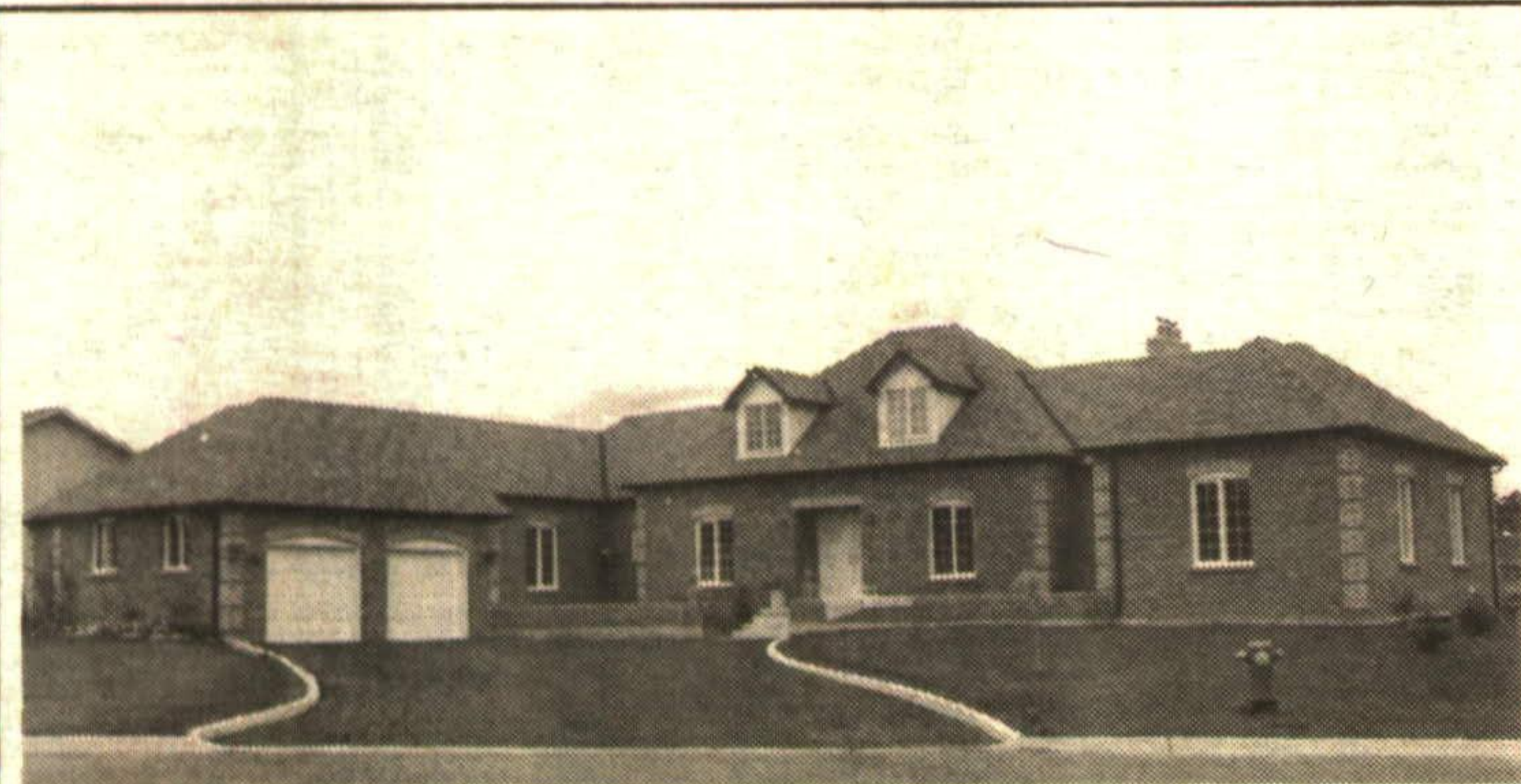
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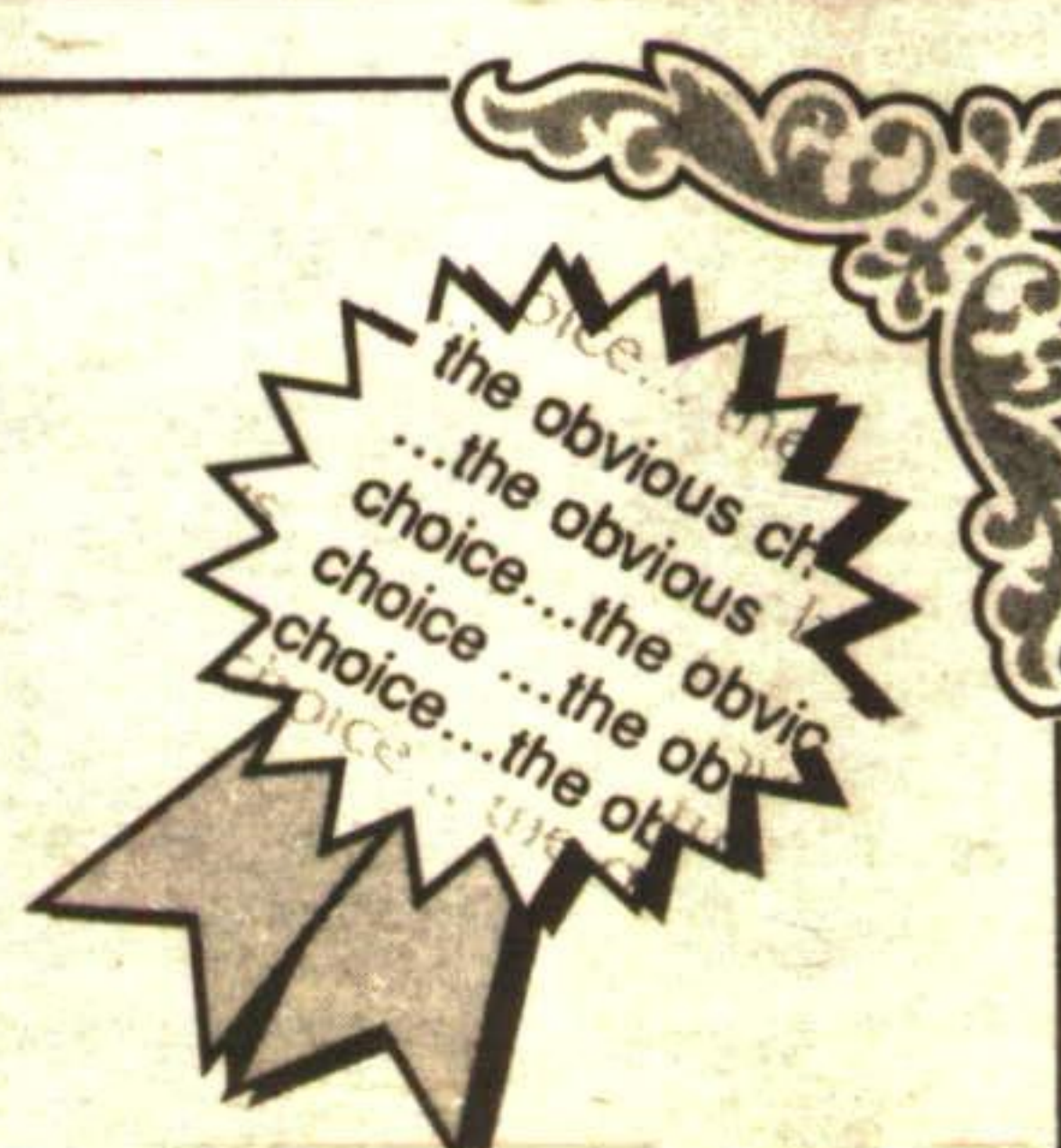
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