CHAMPION horsewoman Bea Farber caught the veteran harness racer by guides her horse out of the paddock at surprise. Mrs. Farber is accustomed to Mohawk Raceway Sunday night prior to racing in Florida and Cal fornia. her first race. The area's snowstorm

Hydro rates may go up if rural area acquired

consumers in Milton are almost certain to go up if a report on restructuring came into being. in Halton is approved.

The report which recommends Milton Hydro assume responsibility for rural areas now serviced by Ontario

the province when the delegation on how regional government much it would cost for Bill Rowney, chairman the rural areas.

of Milton Hydro, headed a delegation to council. Councillors tried not forthcoming.

municipalities.

Hydro rates to rural Hydro, was ordered by and the other members of Milton Hydro to assume

> Firm responses were Approximate estimates

several times to get an answer from Mr. Rowney placed the figure at \$4 Halton to spend

When regional council holds a special meeting today, it will be asked to approve a \$42,505,339 budget.

Most of this is slated for the regular operating budget amounting to \$36,703,014.

The balance, \$5,802,325, deals with waterworks. Don Farmer told this newspaper council may make slight modifications but the will remain essentially the way it is. Of the \$36,703,014, a total of \$17,303,360 will be

coming from the four assessment within the Burlington pays the lion's share. The region last year, Burlington's has levied to collect contribution to the region \$7,719,218 or 43.8 per cent is less than a one per cent

Oakville comes second. It will pay \$6,163,937 or 33.8 per cent.

Halton has levied \$1,911,657 or 12.6 per cent on Halton Hills and \$1,508,548 or 9.8 per cent on Milton.

Although the region's overall budget increase is 5.9 per cent, the individual municipalities will

Because of its large population and increased increase over last year

At the other end of the scale, Halton Hills which had sewer projects constructed and has a smaller population to face the cost, will be levied with a 27 per cent

Mr. Farmer termed this "horrendous" but said that is the way pay differing amounts. things are.

million, depending on a number of variables. The money would be

raised "by rates to local than Halton Hills. consumer' said Mr. Rowney.

Ontario Hydro is trying to get out of rural service loss of rural service at Rowney. around \$50 million province-wide.

Halton Hills, however, has opted to continue having Ontario Hydro service rural Esquesing while local utilities in have Milton Hydro ser-Acton and Georgetown vice the whole town,

Mr. Rowney was asked having one utility service

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why this was so. He said it was because Milton was less parochially-minded

"Halton Hills chose the status quo. That's what He said the rates could they wanted, and that's what they got. Milton's representatives on the (restructuring) combecause of the cost. Mr. mittee felt this was the Rowney estimated the net way to go", said Mr. so.

> Milton's representatives on the committee were Mr. Rowney and Mayor Don Gordon.

Minister of Energy. Gordon report, said Mr. Rowney, Mayor defended his decision to provide power to those saying the whole area was one town now, and

is on his desk, and he is expected to deal with it during this sitting of the

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legislature. The report was tabled by council for later study.

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the area made sense.

ville Hydro.

Councillor Rick Day

disagreed, saying he lives

in former Oakville and

pays his hydro bill to Oak-

He said if he had to pay

"one dime more" so he

can pay his bill to Milton

Hydro, he'd rather "suf-

fer the indignity" of doing

only recourse is to appeal

directly to Reuben Baetz,

The restructuring

Council was told their

Breaks vow

Champion horsewoman tackles driving snow

By Rod Lamb A tough girl is Bea Far-

The 38-year-old driver received a good dose of Canadian winter at Mohawk Raceway Sunday

Freezing temperatures and driving snow combined to give a chill factor the petite woman found rough. "It's cold," she ex-

claimed when asked how she felt after her first

"I'm not accustomed to racing in this. . A veteran of balmy

Florida and California

racetracks, to her Mohawk was as cold as ice. "They said come up, it's nice." Mrs. Farber said of her invitation to race the first weekend in

Easter. She had made a rule to never venture north until after April 15.

This year she broke it. "I didn't come pre-

pared.

She wore summer shoes and a pair of thin

driving gloves. like this, I would have brought my

Her Canadian counterparts, all men, were warmly-suited in trad-

itional harness. However, the cold and said of the eye. snow didn't stop her from work on her stirrups.

After the first race in she drove in two heats which she had misjudged and clipped another driver, she went out to

make the repairs herself. The move is a trait of

The second best driver North America regardless of sex, Bea's average was .432.

horses," modestly. the driver look good.

In nine years of racing, she's had her spills.

winter goggles. the side of her eyeball

she said. "I almost lost it," she

Another time, a mishap venturing out into the resulted in a horse falling swirling whiteness to onto Bea, breaking her pelvis. Although in pain,

said matter-of-factly.

"I've had a lot of good she

Once an accident up "If I knew it would be ahead resulted in Bea breaking her plastic

> The stem went through "It missed the bone,

afterwards. Injuries are not strangers to Bea's husband either.

"He broke his collar bone last week when the horse somersaulted" Bea

Despite the threat to life, Bea enjoys the work. "I used to work as a legal secretary," she

"A good horse makes "I used to work my butt Everything depends on off and have nothing to show for it.

"Now, here, I can work me red and gold." hard and have something to show.

Bea has recorded over 36 two-minute victories and has been honored several trotting championships at raceways in the United States.

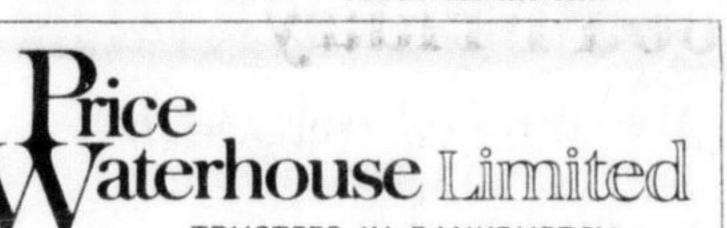
> Bea's colors are white, green and gold.

"I wanted red and maroon," she said. "But U.S. authorities wouldn't register them." "They wanted to give

The reason is red and gold show up better on color television, which is a feature at many tracks. She regrets the de-

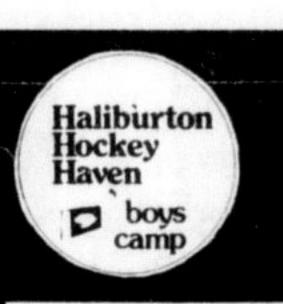
"My husband had red and maroon for 25 years. "I don't see why I couldn't have had them

Bea competed in five races. She was disqualified in one, came second once and third twice. In the fifth she failed to reach distinction.



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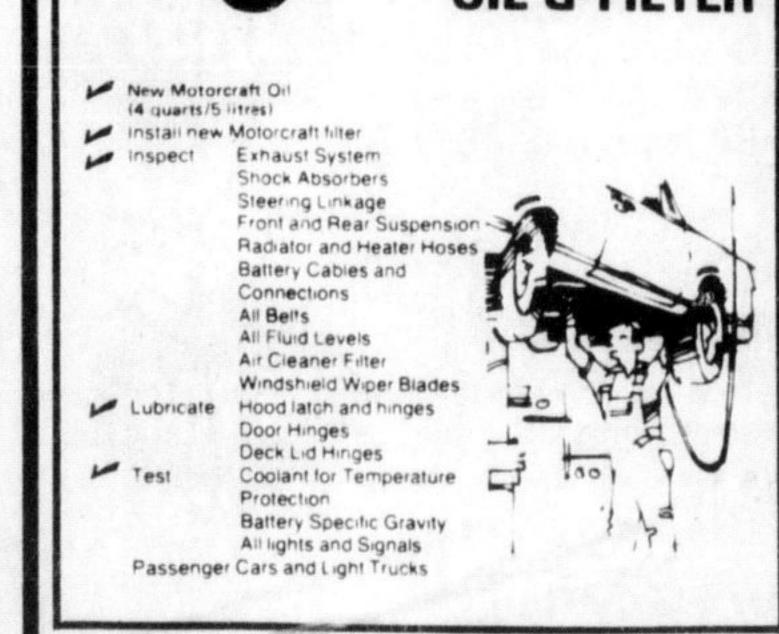
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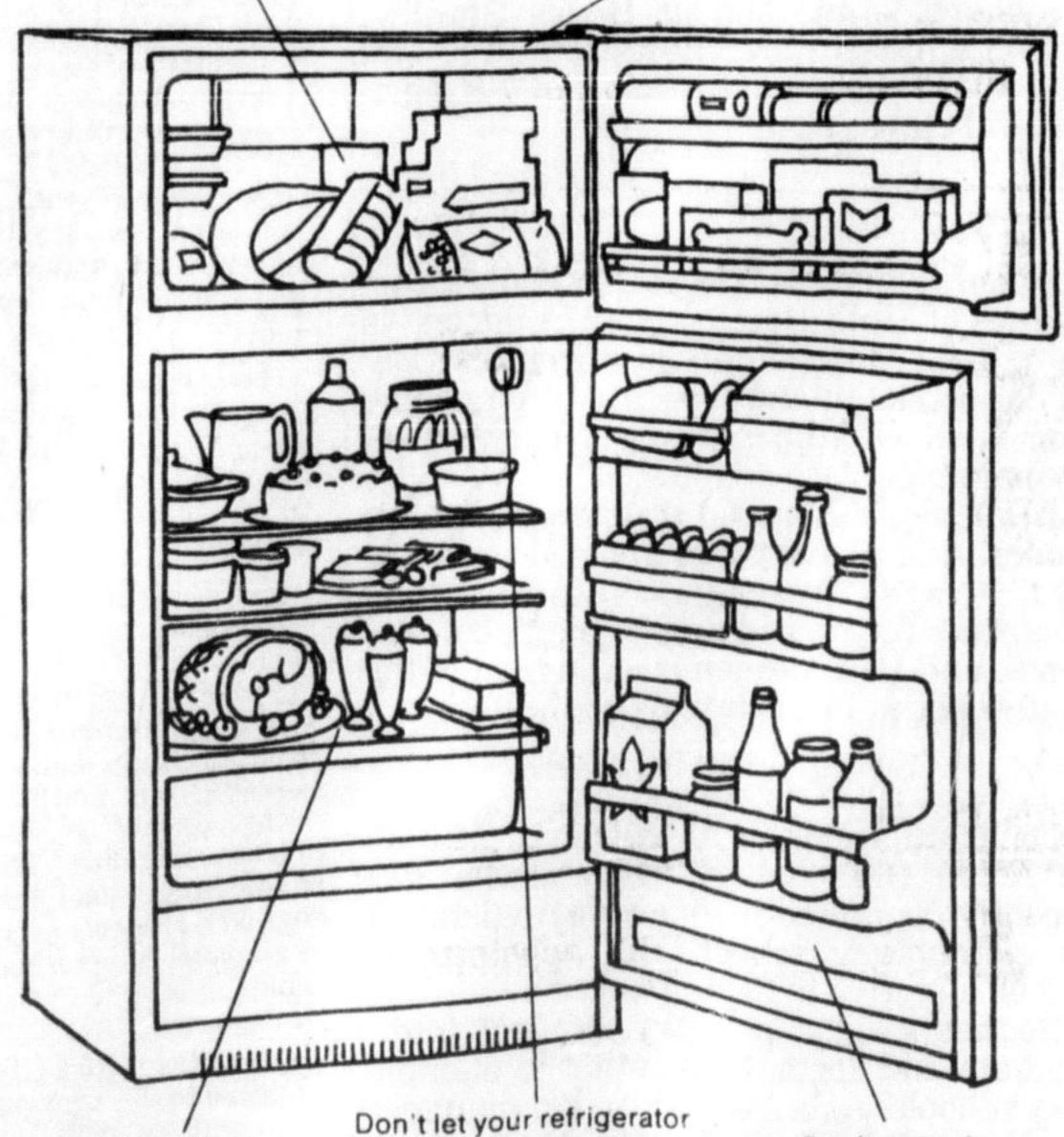
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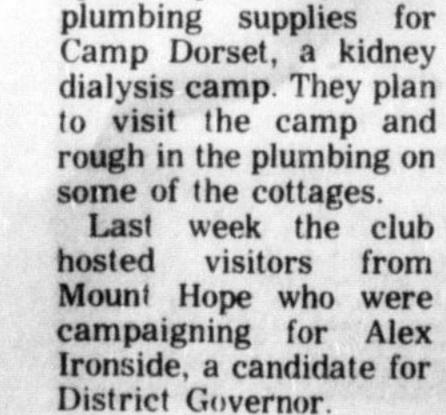
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plumbing **MILTON YOUTH** SOCCER CLUB Milton Lions members plan to become Open General Meeting plumbers, one weekend April 16, 1979 The club has agreed to

efforts towards the Scout movement.

A SURPRISE HONOR was bestowed on Milton couple John and

Isobel Hickson Saturday, March 31 at the semi-annual Milton Boy

Scouts dinner and dance. Making the presentation is Aurele

Lanois, (right) district president of the organization. Mrs.

Hickson is the assistant district commissioner for Beavers. The

award was the first of its kind, according to Mr. Lanois, and

represented the appreciation of the club for the couple's dedicated

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