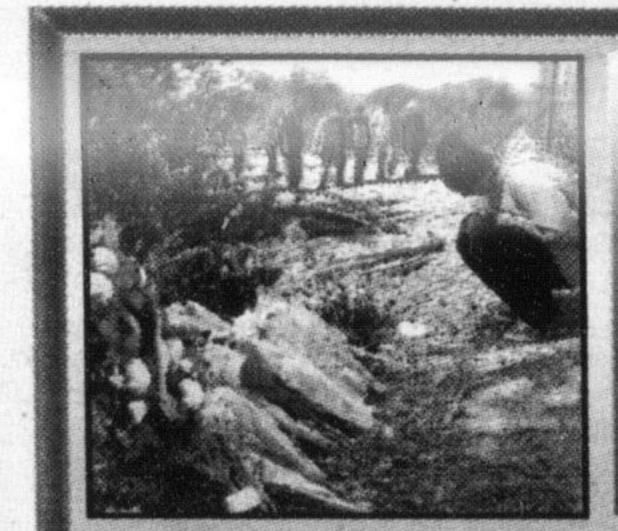
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#### Sharing a secret

Six-year-old Taylor Davidson whispers to Santa about what's on her Christmas wish list. Taylor, along with twin brother Andrew, visited with jolly old St. Nick during his first day of arrival at Milton Mall Saturday.

### Farmers rally to get attention of federal election candidates

By IRENE GENTLE

The Champion

Local farmers may find it a tough row to hoe when it comes to choosing a federal election candidate.

To make the choice clearer, some were part of an agricultural contingent that travelled to Parliament Hill November 9 to lobby for a better safety net for farmers.

At the rally were members of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, the Ontario Corn Producer's Association, the Ontario Soybean Growers and the Ontario

#### Staff needed for election

The call has gone out in the Halton Riding for workers to staff polling stations in the November 27 federal election.

According to Ken Frey, returning officer for the riding, about 500 people are required to assume all roles in taking the

All literate eligible voters residing in their respective ridings are eligible. (Canadian citizens 18 years of age or older.)

Individuals who are selected will be provided with a two-hour training session. All positions are paid.

On Election Day, workers must be present at their polling locations by 9:10 a.m. and work until all ballots are counted at that poll.

Counting usually takes between 60 to 90 minutes after the polls close. In Ontario, this will be 9:30 p.m.

Those interested should call 876-2762.

Wheat Producers Marketing Board.

About eight Halton farmers took part. They were part of a much larger group, estimated at 800 to 1,000, which rallied to make agriculture an issue in Monday's

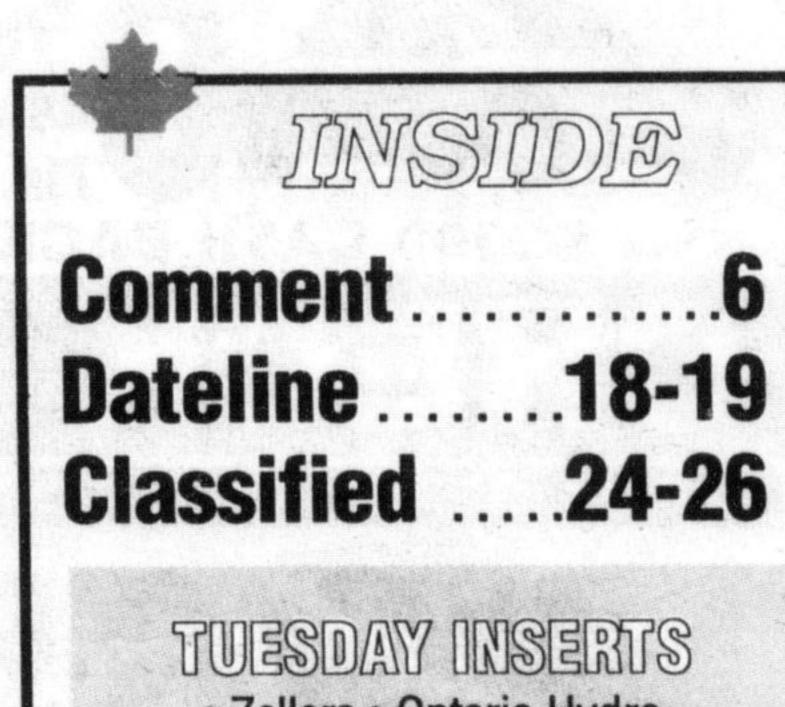
The assembly took place as the federal candidates were set to enter the National Arts Centre.

But since the farmers were separated from the politicians by a police line, it isn't clear if the message was heard, reported Charlie Tilt, the new president of the Halton Federation of Agriculture (HFA).

"All we did was parade in front of the National Art Centre," he said. "It was really quick."

He noted that farming issues don't appear to be a growing concern at the national level.

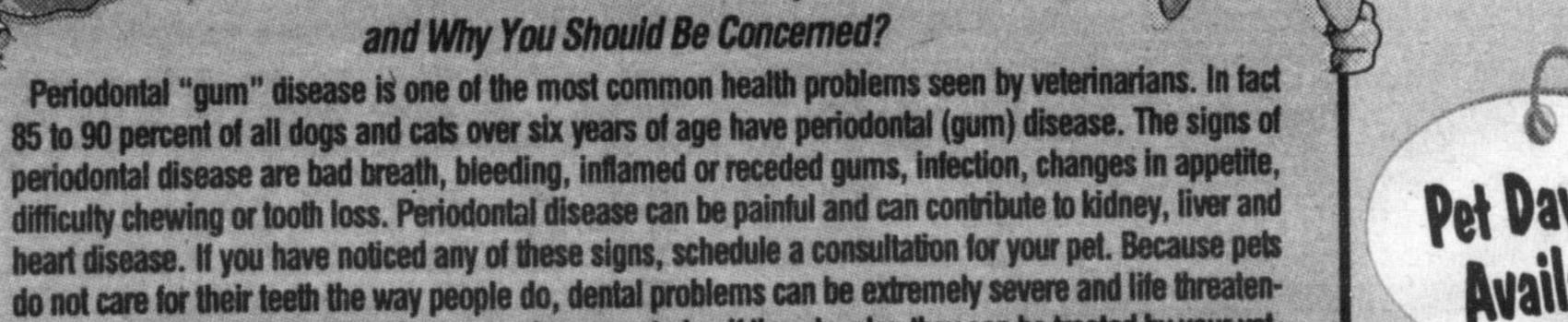
"There was really no sense that agriculture has a big place in their policy," said Mr. Tilt. "We were trying to draw their see PCs on page 16



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