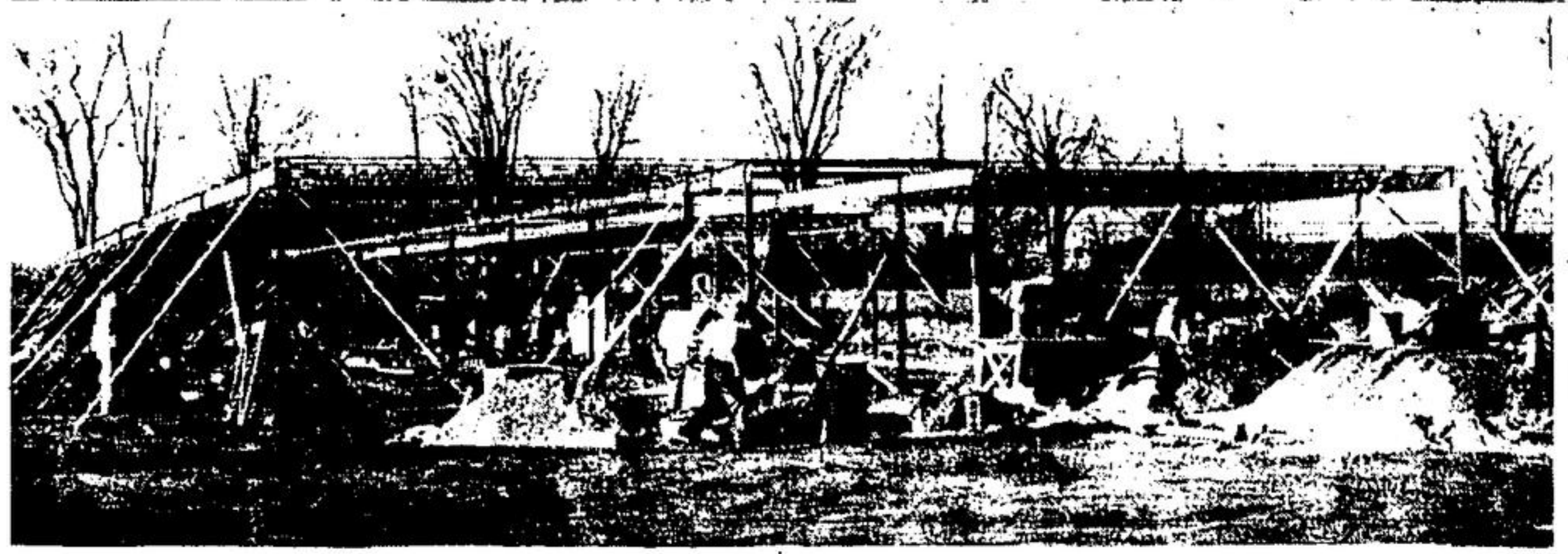
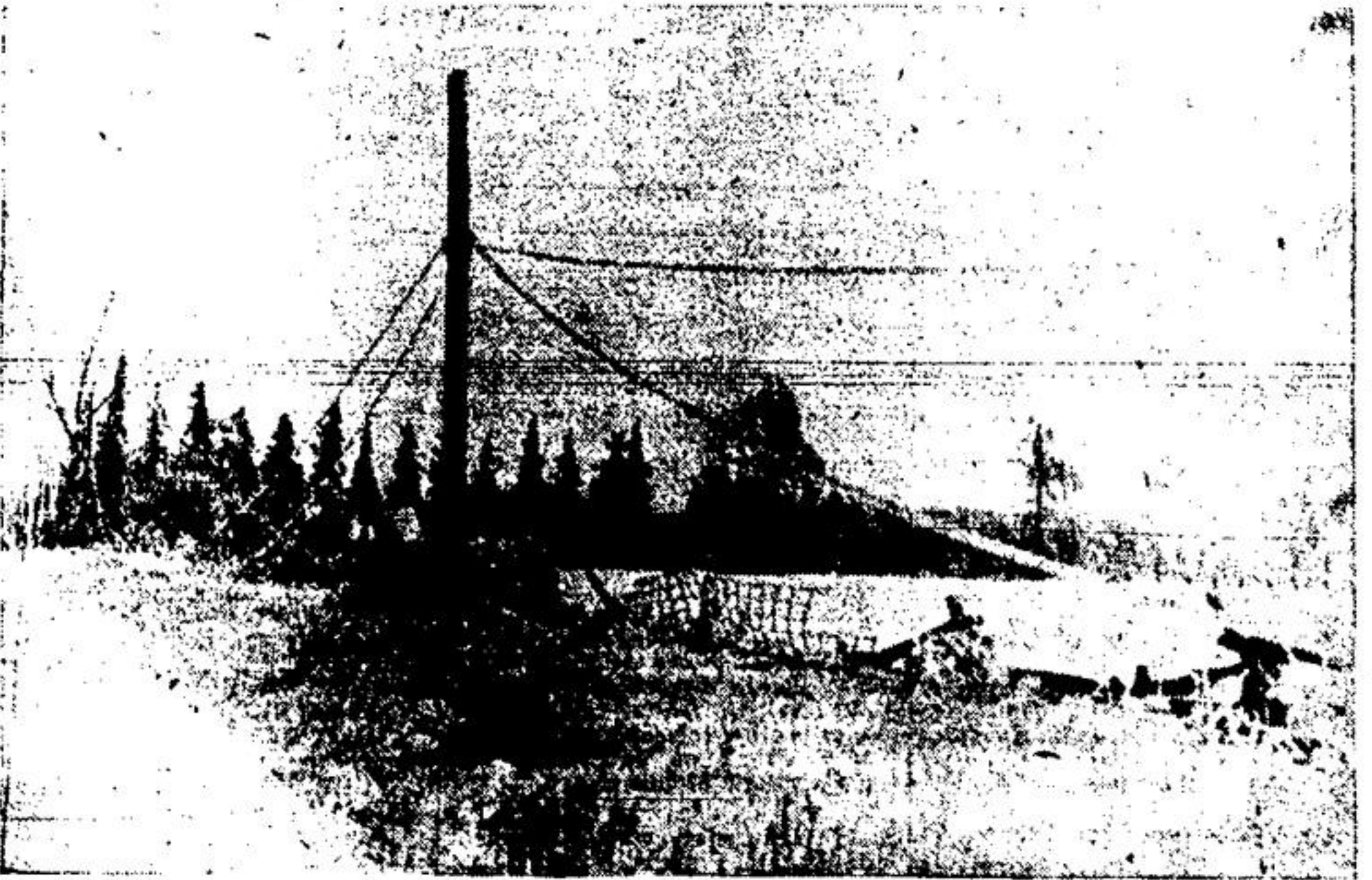




BUILDINGS WERE THREATENED and severe damage exerted in the year's most spectacular blaze one May afternoon when the road oil being spread caught fire and burned up John St. The operator on the back was seriously injured as he remained on the truck to shut off the oil flow.



THE FIRST SOD was officially turned for Acton's new high school in September of this year with construction progressing rapidly. The building is shown here with the steel frame erected. At present the concrete work is completed with the new accommodations purchased.



EARLY JANUARY saw telephone and hydro service interrupted following severe damage from an ice storm. A fine rain coated wires with ice that reached several inches of thickness.



GRADUATING CLASS members of Acton public school were entertained at the annual banquet sponsored by the Home and School Association in July.



PRODUCTION INCREASES were being steadily made at the Corona Shoe Factory last year and the plant is pictured here in August. The town's newest industry was turning out 150 pair of high quality slippers each day for distribution to over 200 stores in Ontario.



EXPANDING PROCESSES, Baxter Laboratories in March installed a glass lined 1,000-gallon tank for use in making an invert sugar solution. A hole was made in the roof to get this tank into place.



OVER 100 bicycles received reflective tape as Rotarians initiated the safety project in April.



ACTON'S 1953 COUNCIL got under way in January and conducted the year's business highlighted by the annexation application which was later turned down and initiated a second application in the final month of the year. Councillors Greer and McLeod and Mayor F. G. Oakes retired from the group at the end of the year and will not be part of the 1954 group.



WITHIN 28 MINUTES after sirens sounded, fire trucks from Milton, Georgetown, Trafalgar and Acton had linked their hoses to pump cooled down considerably as the water originally taken from the streams of water in Acton during a demonstration of the Mutual school stream was pumped to the Pioneer Cemetery.