

NEW OPERATION LIKE THREADING A NEEDLE Ontario Hydro Photo

TRANSPORTING AND placing 1,400 lbs of hydro pole into a previously dug hole for a new power line was an easy matter for this huge Sikorsky S-58D helicopter. The trial run was how helicopters could be used over rough terrain in northern Ontario to bond power lines in areas that are inaccessible to trucks.

Helicopter Used in Hydro Experiment

Airlifts Poles Into Position in Brampton

Hydro poles 50 feet tall and weighing 1400 lbs were picked up like toothpicks by a large Sikorsky S-58D helicopter and flown in the sky in a remarkable demonstration.

On hand to watch the power pole airlift operation in the Brampton Area was Ontario Hydro's chairman W. Ross, which poles could be placed from the air in building of transmission lines. The demonstration took place on a new 27,600 volt power line under construction for the Bramalea development in open fields adjacent to Orenda Road, some four miles south east of Brampton. The huge helicopter airlifted with ease four of the heavy poles and placed them in previously machine-dug holes.

The airlifting operation was a trial of the methods that will be used by Ontario Hydro pilots. Flying this helicopter over the rugged terrain of Northern Ontario this winter for future line building operations where the trucks cannot be successfully used. The initial job to be done by the helicopter is a 50-mile long transmission line in the north country which will be built by complete air-borne construction.

In the Brampton area, on the trial flights, the poles were attached to an electrically operated hook on the underside of the helicopter. Then they whirled aloft from a nearby stockpile area, one at a time and carried to the pole line holes that had been dug. These holes were swiftly excavated by a unique machine one of Ontario Hydro's corner mounted diggers. The hydraulically operated digger on a specially built truck was operated by only four men of Brampton H.O.A. staff, consisting of a truck driver, two linemen, and a foreman. Normally it would require about eight or nine men to dig the pole holes by the backstraining manual method.

During the airlift demonstration, when the helicopter hovered above these prepared poles the Brampton Area linemen seized two long "but" ropes tied to the base of the pole and quickly eased the pole into position. Pike poles were then used to hold the wooden power pole erect while the earth backfilling proceeded and tamping of the pole was carried out. Each power pole previously had been "dressed" for airlifting and was fully equipped with crossarms, braces and insulated pins-for-the three conductors.

Ontario Hydro officials announced that when the S-58D Sikorsky helicopter travels to the north country in the next week or so to build the new transmission line over rugged

Boast Two Years Fatality Free

A fatality free record for the past two years is Georgetown's proud boast. An almost equally noteworthy achievement is the safety record of school children. "From September 1960 till December 1961 not one public or separate school child has been involved in a motor accident," according to Police Chief Roy Halsey, who is justifiably proud of his department's Safety Education program.

Over 2500 school children have watched the safety movies and heard the lectures during the 240 hours the police have devoted to this cause over the past year.

However, the adults too deserve some praise. During 1961, police investigated 90 motor vehicle accidents, a drop of 9 over 1960, and an astonishing drop of 70 over 1959.

In table form it looks like this:

Year	Accidents	Fatalities
1959	160	1
1960	99	0
1961	90	0

During 1961, of the 90 accidents investigated, the break down is as follows:

No. of Accidents	Adults injured	Children injured	Hit and Run	Pedestrians injured	Fatalities
90	37	1	6	6	0

Congratulates Kinsmen For Activity Program

Deputy Governor Bob Barber of District No. 1 was an unexpected visitor at the last meeting of the Kinsmen's club. The highlight of his talk was congratulating the Georgetown Kin club on their activities and he also asked for more active participation in the World Council of Young Men's Service Clubs.

The meeting was Vice Pres. night Second Vice Trev Moores was in the chair for the first half of the meeting, and first Vice Jack Heslop took charge of the last half of the meeting.

Manx Society Has Meeting in Town

The Toronto Manx Society met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Safin Penrice, 36 Princess Anne Dr. on Saturday, January 13th.

The President, Sam Penrice presided and a good number of members were present.

Several items of business were taken care of, and then a paper was read all about the Isle of Man, this item was taken from the Baltimore Sun newspaper, and was forwarded by Miss Doris Armstrong of Georgetown.

The highlight of the evening was a tape recorded message from Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bridson, Isle of Man, parents of Mrs. Penrice. Mrs. Bridson passed away in September last and the recording was made in July.

Lunch was served by the hostess Mrs. Oakley. The next meeting will be held the first Tuesday in February in Toronto.

Planning Annual Hospital Meeting

A very important occasion will be held in Wrigglesworth auditorium on Thursday, March 1st. This is the date that the directors of the local hospital will give their reports and account to members for their handling of hospital affairs since its inception.

It is hoped that an excellent crowd will attend, not only to hear about the hospital affairs, but to listen to a fine speaker, Dr. Perry, who it has been able to secure for the occasion. He is a speaker who will shed light on the hospital system and is an outstanding authority on this work.

If readers are not members of the Hospital Association, they are urged to join immediately. To be eligible to vote for the Board of Directors for 1962, a member must be paid up members before February 1st, according to Hospital constitution. Tickets at \$1 are available from board members or phone the secretary to the Administrator, Mrs. Lay.

Florida Calls Local Grocery Operators

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Wilson left Saturday for a three week holiday in Florida. They travelled as far as Detroit by train, and from there, motored along with Mrs. Wilson's brother, Mr. Norman Marr.

Breeder Award to Maurice C. Beaty

For his fifth time, Maurice C. Beaty, of the Jones Farm, 10000 Highway 10, has won the Breeder Award for his outstanding broodmare, 'The Great'.

The award is given to the breeder of the best broodmare of the year, based on the number of foals born, the quality of the foals, and the quality of the broodmare herself.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Noble of Lamehorse were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Herb Reid.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hunter and family visited in Georgetown on Saturday with Mr. Hunter's mother, Mrs. Mary Hubbard.

One mother who usually arrives for Sunday School each week, accompanied by her infant child, was missing on Sunday. The family arrived and the wife girl came up to us smiling broadly. So I thought the conversation was about what happened mother today? Oh, she's home cooking dinner for forty people.

Thinking of the news account, I asked, "and who are you talking about?" "Porky! And will you come too?"

Birthday congratulations to Miss Susan Smith who celebrates her 14th birthday on Friday of this week.

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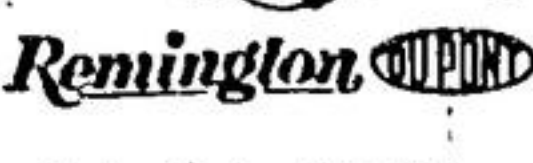
Field Marshal Earl Haig, the centenary of whose birth in Scotland will be celebrated on June 19th, was the Commander of the British Army from 1915 to 1919. The Book of Knowledge says that many of the critical battles of World War I took place during that time.

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Wage Boost for Township Men

At their Council meeting, January 15th, Esqueping Council raised the wages of the road gang 20c an hour. The wages vary from one category to another, but the raise was uniform.

In addition the working hours were cut from 55 a week to 50. The men will now work from seven till five, instead of seven till six.

The Welfare Officer Aubrey Grant also received a raise. An increase of \$100 per year was voted to him, bridging his wage to \$200 annually. For the first time he will now receive a 10c a mile.

Egg Producers Hear Poultry Review Man

The editor of the Canadian Poultry Review, Mr. H. H. Donovan, addressed a dinner meeting of the Halton Egg Producers Association, on Tuesday, January 16th Mr. Donovan outlined the proposed Ontario Egg Producers marketing scheme.

Following his remarks, he answered a series of questions presented by the Halton Association, and led an open discussion.

Mr. Douglas Shaw, president of the Halton Egg Producers Association, acted as chairman of the meeting. Mrs. Ken Ellis, secretary, presented a report of the activity of the association, and proposed meetings.

Mr. S. Rodway, manager of the Canadian Poultry Institute, discussed the work of the Institute and traced the development of the Poultry Products Institute during the past ten years. His outline included methods used in promoting egg sales and other poultry products.

Insurance Firm Hits Record in Business

The Manufacturers Life's new business of 1961 was an all-time high for a year's operation, representing a gain of 2% over the 1960 figure. At year-end the Company's business in force amounted to \$3,933 millions.

Total payments to policyowners and beneficiaries in 1961 also set a new record with Manufacturers Life paying out \$68 millions in death claims, matured endowments, annuity payments, and other policy benefits, including 9.5 million in dividends to policyowners. The total benefits paid since the incorporation of the Company in 1847 exceed \$900 millions.

Over a Billion - Assets held in trust for payment of future policy benefits now total more than \$1 billion. Government and other public bonds constitute 20% of assets, while other public utility and corporation bonds total 28%. Mortgages and real estate held for investment make up 35% preferred and common stock 7%, cash and other assets amount to 10%. The net rate of interest earned increased to 5.5%.

President George Holmes reports that higher interest rates have made possible a substantial reduction in the yearly out-of-pocket costs of life insurance to Manufacturers Life policyowners. He indicated that the Company would pay out 100% more in policy dividends in 1962 than would have been paid 12 years ago on the same business.

More Services - Mr. Holmes predicts that 1962 will be a favourable year for Manufacturers Life and will see a considerable increase in the Company's services.

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