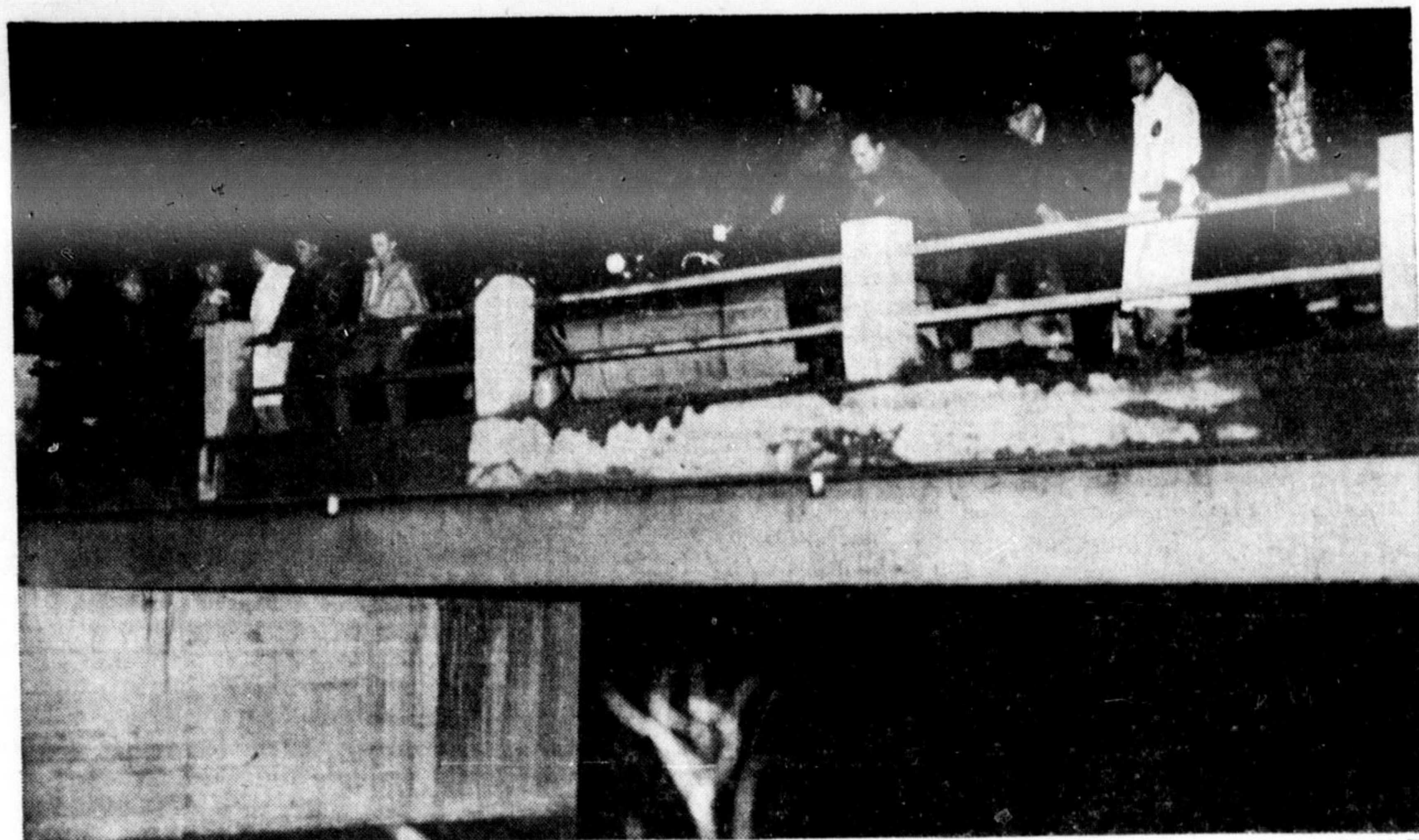


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**Solemn Faces  
Watch Muddy Water**

This picture, taken Monday evening on the bridge on No. 10 side-road, shows the solemn faces of police, firemen and volunteers as they scan the banks and waters of the Sixteen Mile Creek for the body of a drowned boy. Auto spotlights were used after dark.



**Firemen Start  
Search For Body**

Tuesday morning at daybreak, firemen and volunteers grimly set about their task of recovering the body of Guy Taylor, seven, who was believed drowned in the muddy waters of the Sixteen. Above, they launch the two boats used in the search.

## Face Grim Task

### Volunteers Search Muddy Sixteen

A grim task faced the volunteer members of the Milton fire brigade and the hundred or so local men who assisted them when the word of Monday's drowning spread through the town. But, with that special spirit of co-operativeness which hangs over a small town like a halo, they pitched in, unselfishly, combing the banks and scanning the waters of the muddy Sixteen.

At first, it was a disorganized

search in an effort to find the boy before the cold water made him succumb. Men took it upon themselves to pick a spot anywhere within a mile below where the boy had fallen in, to stand and watch the water whirl by or to probe the flooding stream for any sign of the boy.

Called from their jobs by the 4.45 siren, firemen plunged into the grim work, slopping about in

mud to the ankles and wading in to the edges of the Sixteen with nothing but shoes or rubber boots to protect their feet from the cold.

They combed the banks from the C.P.R. bridge to the No. 10 side-road bridge without avail, and when darkness set in, car headlights, flashlights, spotlights and auto lamps run by portable batteries were set up.

The search continued till nearly midnight and firemen spelled each other while they gulped food and coffee at various hours.

The fire hall was a scene of dejection as fire chief Clement halted the search for the night at 11.30 p.m. and sought co-operation in a daybreak scanning of the creek and its banks. Hope was expressed that the water level would recede and perhaps make the search easier.

Volunteers were ready to ride the heavy currents in a boat, but the chief explained the many obstructions that lined the creek. Fences and fallen trees, ice floes and heavy currents were noted as increasing the hazard of an after-dark search.

At six o'clock the next morning they gathered at the fire hall to await some trace of the sun and at 6.45 the search was again under way, this time well organized so that each man covered a certain section of the creek, still filled with floating chunks of ice.

Two boats were floated and three men in each boat headed downstream. Meanwhile, others scoured every nook and cranny of the slightly lowered stream. The search was ended 90 minutes later when two firemen, Harold Coulson, Thomas St., and Harold "Irish" Coulson, Mary St., found the youth's body about 50 feet below the laneway bridge of John H. Willmott—a mile and a quarter away from where the tragedy occurred.

Three blasts on the fire siren brought the searchers back to the fire hall, where they washed off their muddy boots and gladly accepted a cup of coffee upstairs in the fire hall.

The 15 hour effort was concluded when fire chief A. E. Clement expressed the family's sincere appreciation for their efforts. Milton council also acknowledged the splendid effort of the brigade and volunteers.

## Guy Taylor, 7, is Victim Of Swollen Sixteen Creek

Funeral service is being held at 2 o'clock this afternoon for Guy Howard Taylor, seven, who was drowned in the muddy waters of the Sixteen Mile Creek Monday. The slim, dark-haired boy was swept to his death in the swollen waters shortly after five o'clock Monday afternoon, and his body was not found until eight o'clock Tuesday morning, nearly 15 hours later.

Much credit has been given W. H. "Boyne" Clement, 40, who made a futile and nearly fatal attempt to rescue the boy, shortly after his sister-in-law, Mrs. A. E. Clement, saw the lad fall into the fast current of the unusually shallow stream. Mrs. Clement was talking to Boyne's wife next door on the telephone when she looked out the window and saw the youth, playing with the ice floes around the edge of the stream, fall in.

At that moment, Mr. Clement came home and his wife, after hearing the story from her sister-in-law, sent him to rescue the lad. Mr. Clement waded into the water just ahead of the boy, but the treacherous current caught him and carried him through a tunnel beneath the C.P.R. bridge. When the boy floated by, "but I was helpless to do anything about it," he explained.

### Just One Permit

Only one building permit had been issued during the month of February by building inspector Frank McNiven, a check yesterday revealed. That permit, to the Sun Oil Co. Ltd., was for the renovation of Phillips Motors next to the town hall.

Total value of the remodeling was given as \$5,800. The permit is the first to be issued this year.

## Board Receives Expropriation Access to Site

A court order Monday before Judge W. N. Robinson granted the expropriation of sufficient land to make an entranceway to the proposed new W. I. Dick public school off Highside Drive in Milton's northern end. The land was expropriated, effective immediately, from Davies and Davies Limited, builders, for the sum of \$800.

This information was relayed to the Milton public school board at their meeting Monday evening by solicitor S. Baldwin of Davis and Baldwin. A motion by the board granted the solicitor \$800 for payment into court immediately.

The land expropriated has approximately 187 feet of frontage on Highside Drive, and an average depth of 45 feet. Several estimates on parts of the 1957 budget were submitted during the meeting. Finance chairman G. Gowland said the budget would probably be finalized next Monday for presentation to council.

## 690 Pre-School Tots Receive Polio Vaccine

A total of 690 Milton and district pre-school children received their first anti-polio inoculation Monday afternoon at St. Paul's United Church, where officers of the Halton County Health Unit set up a special clinic. The clinic hours had to be extended to cope with the overflow of traffic that saw mothers (and some fathers) with children lined up for half a block awaiting their turn.

Dr. Archie F. Bull, assisted by several Health Unit nurses, administered the red serum to the children, who watched the proceedings with mixed expressions on their faces. Cards had previously been filled out at the town hall and the Unit offices and facilitated the speedy inoculation program.

## New School Location Concerns Council Seek Joint Meeting With School Board



**Color Party  
Leaves Church**

Shown above the Scout, Guide, Cub and Brownie color parties leave the United Church following the service in which Rev. Graham urged them to "go the second mile".

Milton Council will seek a joint meeting with Milton Public School Board as soon as possible, it was agreed Monday night.

Councillor Desjardine reported he had viewed the site of the proposed W. I. Dick school and saw a river about 30 feet wide beside it. The discussion was initiated as firemen continued their search for Guy Taylor, lost earlier in the flooding water of the stream.

Objecting to the site of the school the Councillor pointed out the site would certainly require a high wire fence.

Councillor Johnson suggested it was "time something was done" about the location of the school noting that other schools appear alright on less land.

Mayor Ledwith reminded members the Board was an elected body and suggested council didn't have much jurisdiction over their action.

Councillor Pettit reported there had been people to the Department of Education that weren't satisfied with the site but nothing was being done about it.

"On behalf of the some of the ratepayers perhaps something has to happen to make us assume some responsibility in this thing," she concluded.

Members agreed to a joint meeting with the Board for discussion on the subject, as soon as possible.

### Survey for Paving

Estimates on the cost of the required surveying for the paving program were to be obtained. Members felt the local engineer would not have time to survey the entire town in time to initiate the three year paving program. One third of the town streets would be paved each year.

The solicitor was instructed to prepare a bylaw for \$4,000 for the necessary survey.

Engineer F. Pallesen and Foreman Bruce McKerr reported on an interview with the Water Resources Commission. It had been suggested this group might take over the financing and operation of the new sewage treatment plant.

Council was told this could be done if the town decided the present plan to the commission. A local committee would work with the Commission in operation of the plant. It would be entirely financed and operated by the commission with the town paying over a 30 year period.

Members discussing the project noted the commission issued its debentures over 30 years while the town usually issued 20 year debentures. A saving of \$62,000 was made on the shorter debenture period.

Foreman Bruce McKerr pointed out the commission would only operate the plant leaving the town the pumping station and sewers.

Members felt additional administration costs and increased manpower would not make the Commission construction an advantage. The suggestion was shelved.

Foreman McKerr reported the Department of Highways required a chain link fence around the triangular shaped piece of land north of the base line, if the town is to use it as a park. Cost of the fence was estimated at \$3,748 for the 1600 feet. Total cost would be \$6,000 before any work could be done on the area.

The possibility of using the area for sanitary landfill was suggested. It was noted this would elevate the level and the water course through the centre might be tiled. The department's reaction to the proposal was to be sought.

Council members agreed to a hot air heating system for the new fire hall when Councillor Johnson reported the firemen were seeking guidance on the type of installation. An additional \$2000 would be required to install hot water but there was some concern on the effectiveness of zone control heating with hot air.

Mayor Ledwith and Councillor Desjardine reported zone control worked fine on the hot air units in their buildings. Other members agreed it appeared quite workable and at considerable saving.

To Reeve Childs' question, the Engineer reported no easement had been received from the C.N.R. for the drainage project and no approval had been received from Dr. C. A. Martin to put the water in the stream.

### Stand for Centennial

The town foreman was to investigate the possibility of a portable stand that might be used outside especially for the centennial. Councillor Reid explained he had been unable to obtain figures since the town streets would be paved each year.

A cheque for \$1,000 was to be issued to the Milton Centennial Committee for current expenses.

Discussions on dog control roamed over the duties and rights of the dog catcher and the difficulty of dogs recognizing the dog catcher when he approached. Citizens were to be notified that all dogs are to be tied the year round.

The town was notified that solicitors had informed Kenton Builders if their reasonable offer for settlement on the Kingsleigh Court area was not received by the end of February, proceedings would likely be initiated. The letter pointed out a law suit would be lengthy, involved and expensive.

Council was notified the Municipal Board had set March 18 for the hearing on dispensing with a vote to allow installation of a sprinkling system in the arena.

The traffic by-law was given its third reading and forwarded to the Ontario Department of Highways for approval.

The Girl Guides expressed their thanks for the use of the town hall.

—Sorry, but due to considerable news received late this week, several stories have had to be left over until next week.

## Meeting Opposes Floor Area Minimum In Milton's Proposed Zoning By-Law

Residential restrictions in Milton's proposed zoning by-law drew the most opposition when 80 of the town's 2,000 property owners attended a second public meeting of explanation on the by-law Thursday evening of last week.

As the meeting got underway at 8.20, Chairman Pettit invited citizens to "ask questions and find fault."

Following a brief review of the purpose of the by-law by planning consultant P. Alan Deacon, the meeting was opened for questions and discussion.

### Exceed C.M.H.C.

Ken Horton pointed out the minimum area requirements in the by-law were "considerably in excess of the C.M.H.C. standards. If the National Housing Act is good enough for the rest of Canada, it should be alright here," he commented.

The ratepayer suggested the increased floor space requirement would raise the down payment and retard the growth of the town.

Consultant Deacon pointed out

the by-law was simply proposed and was still subject to the approval of the Ontario Municipal Board and third reading by the Milton council. "It has been prepared having regard to the economics of the town."

Roy Stuart also recommended review of the required floor areas in R1 and R2 areas. He suggested the salary requirement for purchase of such a house would be \$4,500. He questioned what industry would be able to pay \$90 to \$95 weekly to enable a purchaser to buy a home.

### Should Town Provide?

In answering discussion on the floor area requirement, Mr. Deacon expressed "every sympathy toward low cost housing. But should the town provide it?"

"As planning consultant I cannot recommend to the town that has a favorable balance of assessment any change that would reflect unfavorably," he suggested.

Illustrating his remarks, he noted the average home in the new subdivisions was assessed between

\$4,100 and \$4,200. Using 1955 figures, he pointed out the town rate was 50 mills. The cost to educate one child in 1955 was \$153.50 and with grants subtracted, amounted to \$118.75.

### Cost Remains Same

The consultant emphasized the cost of town services must be born by the taxpayers. He noted the suggestion of reducing the square footage to enable the worker to buy the house, but the cost for services to the town remained the same. "Can we afford to open up the remaining area of the town to this type of housing. Who is going to pay for it?" the consultant concluded.

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## Indian Village, 12 Oshwekens Assured for Centennial Week

A complete Indian village, to be set up for the five day centennial birthday party this coming summer, was assured last night (Wednesday) when members of Milton's Centennial Committee voted unanimously to pay the \$800 necessary to bring the 12 man unit here from the Oshweken Indian Reserve.

Committee members, in reviewing the attraction and drawing card for young and old that the village would mean, suggested the free show and participation in parades and other programs by the group would be worth the money.

Mayor Ledwith reported at the brief meeting that he was sending letters of invitation to the celebrations to the Mayors of the 13 other known Miltons in the world. Besides Miltons in Kent, England; Nova Scotia, Canada and New Zealand, towns and villages by the same name in the U.S.A. include one each in the states of Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Oregon, Delaware, Florida, New Hampshire, New York, Wisconsin, Vermont and West Virginia.

The \$3,500 suggested budget for the advertising committee was approved, as was the printing of 1,000 large advertising posters.

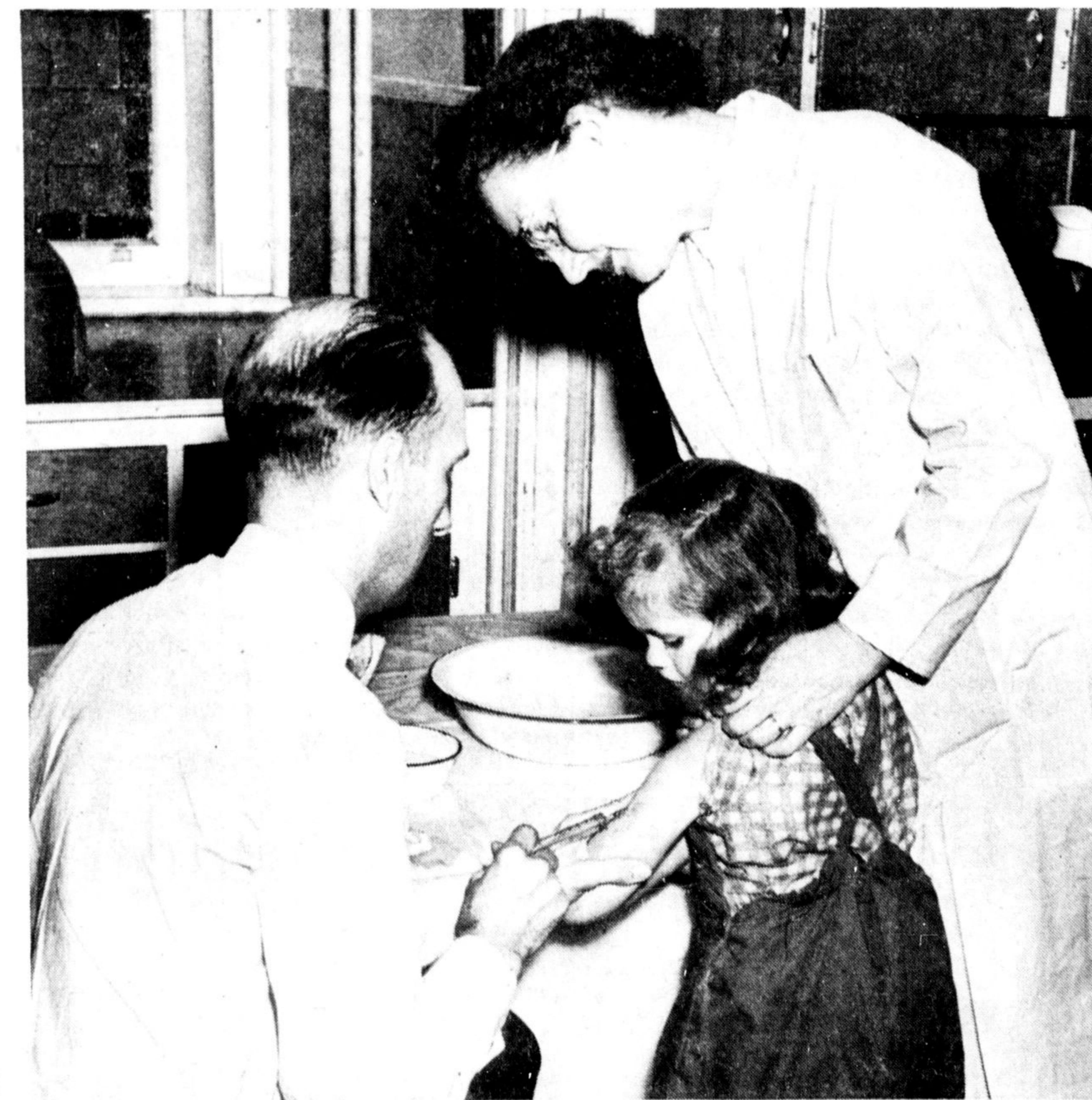
Councillor Art Desjardine came up with one of the group's first problems—the women want something to parallel the men's beard

growing contest! He reported one woman had telephoned him to complain that as the men were doing their share with the facial foliage, the women were being left out of all the fun. She suggested some kind of contest open to almost any woman in town.

After committee members recovered from their surprise, Manager Ross Pearen suggested they "think it over" till the next meeting and perhaps some idea will come up in the meantime that will keep the women happy.

It was reported a letter of invitation to be sent to former residents had been prepared. The 25 cent shipplasters—10,000 of them—are now being printed and should be available within the next month. Manager Pearen reports every radio station in Canada, U.S.A. and Cuba has been contacted regarding free advertising for both Milton and Oakville centennials through the Oakville radio station. Each of these stations has been asked to announce the dates of the two centennials in hopes that former residents or persons formerly connected with Milton will get to know about the celebrations that are being planned.

Manager Pearen, as well as his regular Oakville broadcast this week, will be heard Saturday at 1.20 p.m. over CFJB in Brampton in an interview with John Fox.



**Pre-Schoolers  
Get Vaccinations**

A total of 690 pre-school children jammed the St. Paul's United Church school room Monday afternoon to line up for their first injection of anti-polio vaccine. Above, Dr. Archie F. Bull, of the Health Unit, looks after Joan Clark, six, while Mrs. Norman Guild, newest nurse with the Health Unit, assists him.