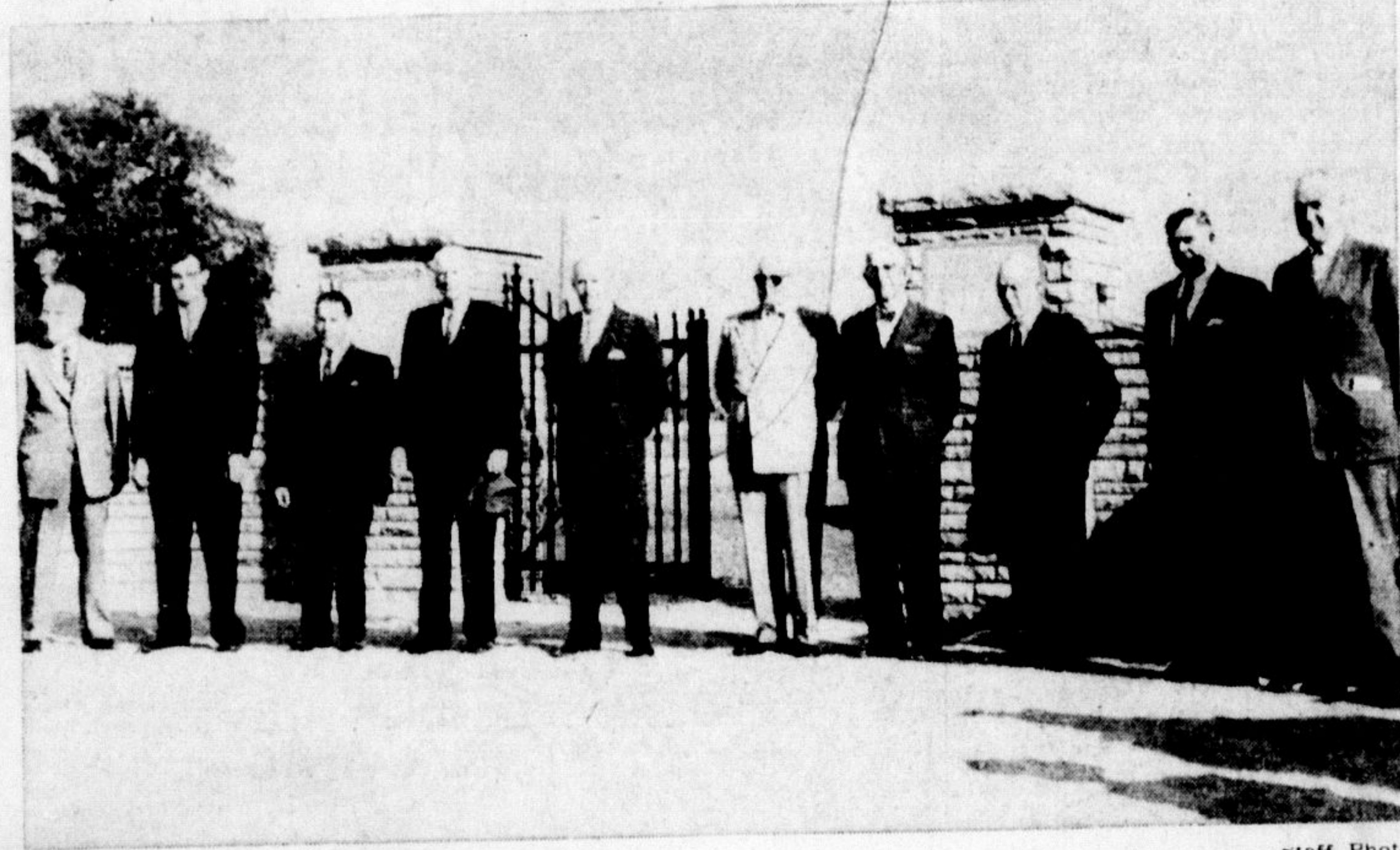




**THE NEW CENTENNIAL GATES** at Milton Fair Grounds were officially opened and dedicated on Sunday afternoon, in a ceremony sponsored by the Halton Agricultural Society. Edwin Harrop, who was president of the fair in 1927 and 1928, is shown officially cutting the ribbon. With him, left to right, are 1963 president Lloyd Chisholm, women's president Mrs. A. Wilson, agricultural representative J. A. Francis, former president Howard Armstrong, vice-president Ed Davenport, Mr. Harrop, director George Readhead, vice-president Harvey Blacklock, Halton Warden Dr. C. A. Martin, and F. A. Lashley, secretary of the Ontario Association of Agriculture Societies.



**10 FORMER PRESIDENTS** of the Halton Agricultural Society were singled out for recognition, during the opening and dedication of the Society's new Centennial Gates at the fair grounds ceremony on Sunday afternoon. From left to right, they were Wilf Crozier, 1960-61; Frank Chisholm, 1958-59; Howard Armstrong, 1955-56-57; Lloyd Crawford, 1944; J. E. Ellenton, 1937; Dr. C. H. Heslop, 1935; Edwin Harrop, 1927-28; Allen Dixon, 1950-51; Roy Currie, 1953-54; and Lloyd Chisholm, 1963. Other living past presidents include A. L. Chambers, W. M. Scott, A. M. Hume, Alf Waldie, Percy W. Merry, J. A. Elliott, Lorne Walker and Elmer Douglas, who were absent.

## Dedicate Centennial Fair Ground Gates Honor Pioneer Founders of Milton Fair

The men who pioneered Milton Fair from its early beginnings in 1853, and all those who have served to improve it in the ensuing 110 years, were specially honored Sunday afternoon when new stone Centennial Gates in their honor were officially dedicated and opened at the fair grounds entrance on Robert St.

Edwin Harrop, who was president in 1927 and 1928 and still remains on the executive as an associate director, cut the ribbon officially opening the new \$3,000 stone gateway. Rev. D. A. Powell of Grace Anglican Church conducted the dedication ceremony.

The new gates are further enhanced by a new steel fence across the Robert St. side of the grounds.

**Plaques on gates** — Halton Agricultural Society, 1853 to 1963, presented by Ontario Department of Agriculture in recognition of 110 years of service, in 1963, to honor the pioneers of this community and all those who during the past 110 years have served the cause of agriculture in Halton County.

Agricultural Society president Lloyd Chisholm welcomed a crowd of nearly 100, and praised those who had the foresight to open such a fine fair. "This is THE county fair and the showplace of agriculture in Halton County," he said. Mr. Chisholm expressed the thanks of the Society to the Department of Agriculture for its \$1,000 grant toward the gates also the directors and the ladies division which helped with the financing of the project.

Mr. Harrop, before cutting the white ribbon stretched across the gateway, reminisced about his early days at the fair. He recalled the first tractors appearing at the fair, the disappearance of heavy horse competitions, the gradual change of emphasis from beef to dairy cattle, and the dwindling of the sheep competitions.

**Former Ag. Rep.** — He remembered the year 1935 when the Department of Agriculture sent J. Earl Whitelock to be Halton's agricultural representative, and the many improvements in the fair that could be

directly credited to his efforts. "He did more for this show than anybody else," Mr. Harrop asserted.

"The directors have had great vision. The grandstand and the buildings are a credit to the show, to the town, and to the county. And all this was done by what I would call ordinary farmers."

He snipped the long white ribbon with a pair of scissors decorated with gold ribbon.

F. A. Lashley, secretary of the Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies, noted "those who had served through the years left you a great heritage. You should continue their great work." He praised the ladies division for their financial aid toward the new gates, and explained Milton's beautification project is part of a province-wide aim to improve grounds and properties. The Milton Fair is one of 243 under the Association's jurisdiction.

**Looking Back** — Mr. Lashley read excerpts from an 1885 government record book, that gave an insight into the early days of the fair. The 1884 Halton fair held at Milton received a government grant of 135 pounds, receipts totalled 260 pounds, and 95 pounds was paid in prize money.

Another member of the Ontario executive, first vice-president Arthur Rowan of Orangeville, also congratulated the directors.

"Your fair is a showplace of agriculture," Warden of Halton County, Dr. C. A. Martin told the gathering. He added some people seem to feel that agriculture is a dying industry, but noted it still produced a major share of Canada's export goods, and took a large share of the Canadian working force.

Judge George E. Elliott concurred with the Warden's thoughts on the importance of agriculture. "Fourteen per cent of Canada's population is engaged in agriculture, yet they are able to feed the country," he pointed out.

**Already Dedicated** — The group assembled at the opening could not dedicate the gates, he said, for they were already dedicated by those men and women who labored on

half of the fairs of the past century. "We can only carry on their good works, we must carry on the agriculture of Halton County in the fine and honest and noble condition it has been carried on in the past," Judge Elliott urged.

Mrs. Arthur Wilson, 1962 and 1963 chairman of the ladies' division, read a list of past chairmen and lady directors whose work and leadership have contributed much to the success of the fair. Past chairmen included Mrs. George Agnew, 1949-50; Mrs. Frank Chisholm, 1951-55; Mrs. Tom Bousfield, 1956-57; Mrs. Alfred Ford, 1958-59; Mrs. Roy Currie, 1960-61; and Mrs. Wilson for the past two years. Another guest, Mrs. Orval Bell of Binbrook, past president of the women's section of the Ontario Society, added a few words of congratulations.

**Nine Past Presidents** — Agricultural representative J. Allen Francis introduced the nine past presidents who attended the

## 4-H Electric Club Ends Year Rotary Guests at Dinner Meet

Members of the Halton 4-H Farm and Home Electrical Club were guests of the sponsoring Rotary Club of Milton on Tuesday evening.

Following the dinner meeting the 4-H club members went to the Martin St. school for the club's achievement day and project marking.

**ATTENDS INAUGURAL** — Dr. John Brown of R.R. 3, Milton attended the inaugural meeting of the Ontario Producers, Processors, Distributors and Consumers Food Council recently in Toronto. He has been chosen vice chairman of the seven-man government committee to deal with food products from production to consumption.

## Trees and Bugs Work Together

Peaches trees and "friendly" insects appear to have their own mutual assistance program. Lady beetles, lacewing flies and a number of other beneficial insects help protect the trees by attacking mites, aphids and parasites of the Oriental fruit moth.

In return, the trees provide an important source of food for these insects.

The food is actually a sticky secretion — similar to the nectar of the blossoms — which is produced by small glands in the leaves, says W. L. Putman, of the federal research laboratory at Vineland Station, Ontario.

Many harmful insects and mites are abundant only in some years or at certain times in the season. When the pests are scarce, their enemies either starve or fly away to new areas. The peach leaf secretion provides a reserve food supply to meet the situation, allowing beneficial insects to remain in the orchards, ready for action when the pests again increase in numbers.

ceremony, and read the names of eight others who had served in the top position but were unable to attend the function. M. J. Carton, 90, who has served as a director for many years and is presently an honorary director, was also introduced.

Dundas Pipe Band pipers Carol Awrey and Betty Avery warmed up their instruments and led a parade of officials through the gates, at the conclusion of the official program. Lunch was served by the lady directors.

## Committee Plans Big Song Rally

Do you love a sing-song? Then you're sure to enjoy a "Song Rally" being prepared for next Wednesday evening, October 2, by the Music Committee of Lowville United Church. The group has arranged a 90 minute program of sing-songs, as well as piano and electric organ numbers which will be held in Fairview School auditorium, Lowville. And it's open to anyone.

"For over half a century our church and community have been blessed with exceptional singers," said V. E. McArthur, chairman of the committee. "We want to bring together once again, all those who can sing or love to sing. We extend a hearty invitation to all those who love a sing-song."

**Special Leaders** — The committee was fortunate in securing the services of two outstanding guest musicians for their "Song Rally". Rev. Paul Field of Streetsville will be song leader, and the well-known Paul Daniels of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, will be organist. They will provide one-third of the program, but the remaining hour will be a songfest — by the people, for the people, and of the people. Visitors of all denominations are warmly welcomed, the chairman said.

Since 1900, the annual death rate in Canada has declined from 1,310 to 784 per 100,000 persons.

## Study Gasolines At Mutual Aid Meet

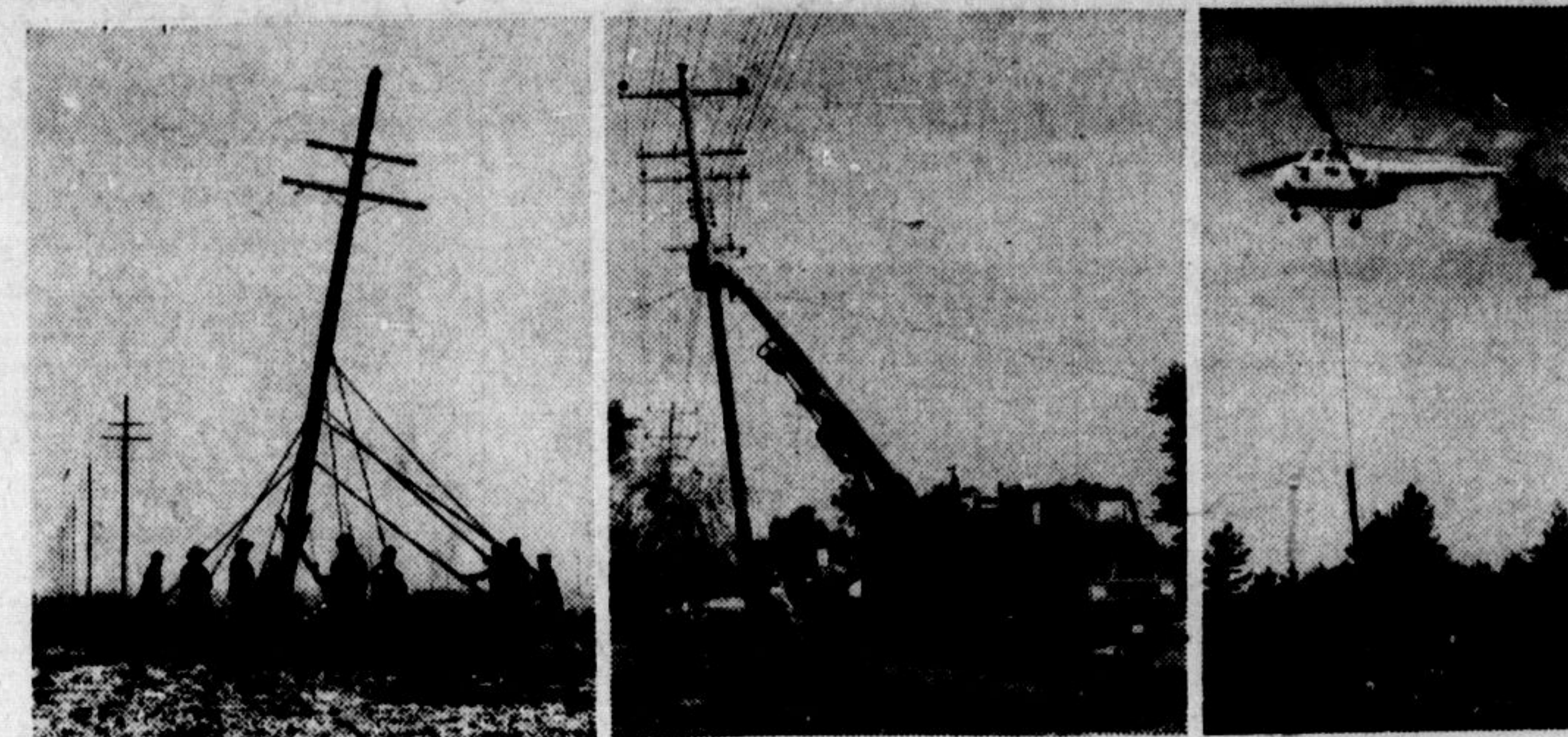
The monthly Halton County Mutual Aid meeting was held Tuesday evening at the number two Fire Hall, Oakville, with about 50 attending. Milton Fire Chief A. E. Clements reports that a very interesting demonstration concerning gasolines and how they might explode or react under different circumstances, was given by Mr. Twiss.

Sunday afternoon nine mem-

bers of the Milton and area Fire Brigades attended the annual Humber Credit District Firefighters Association memorial services and church parade in Brampton.

During the past week, the Milton and area Fire Brigade received no fire calls.

—The Milton Area Fire Brigade was called to Campbellville yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon to extinguish a grass fire. No serious damage resulted. The cause of the fire was not known.



**1913 AND NOW** — Most of the muscle power needed 50 years ago when Ontario Hydro built its first rural power line has now been replaced by labor-saving machines. Photo at left shows 10-man crew erecting pole in pioneer days. Centre is modern radial-arm derrick and digger line truck, which makes short work of digging holes, lifting pole and placing it in position. At right, helicopter speeds erection of pole. First rural distribution line, built in 1913 between Baden and Petersburg, thence north to St. Agatha in Kitchener area, served three farms and an orphanage.

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