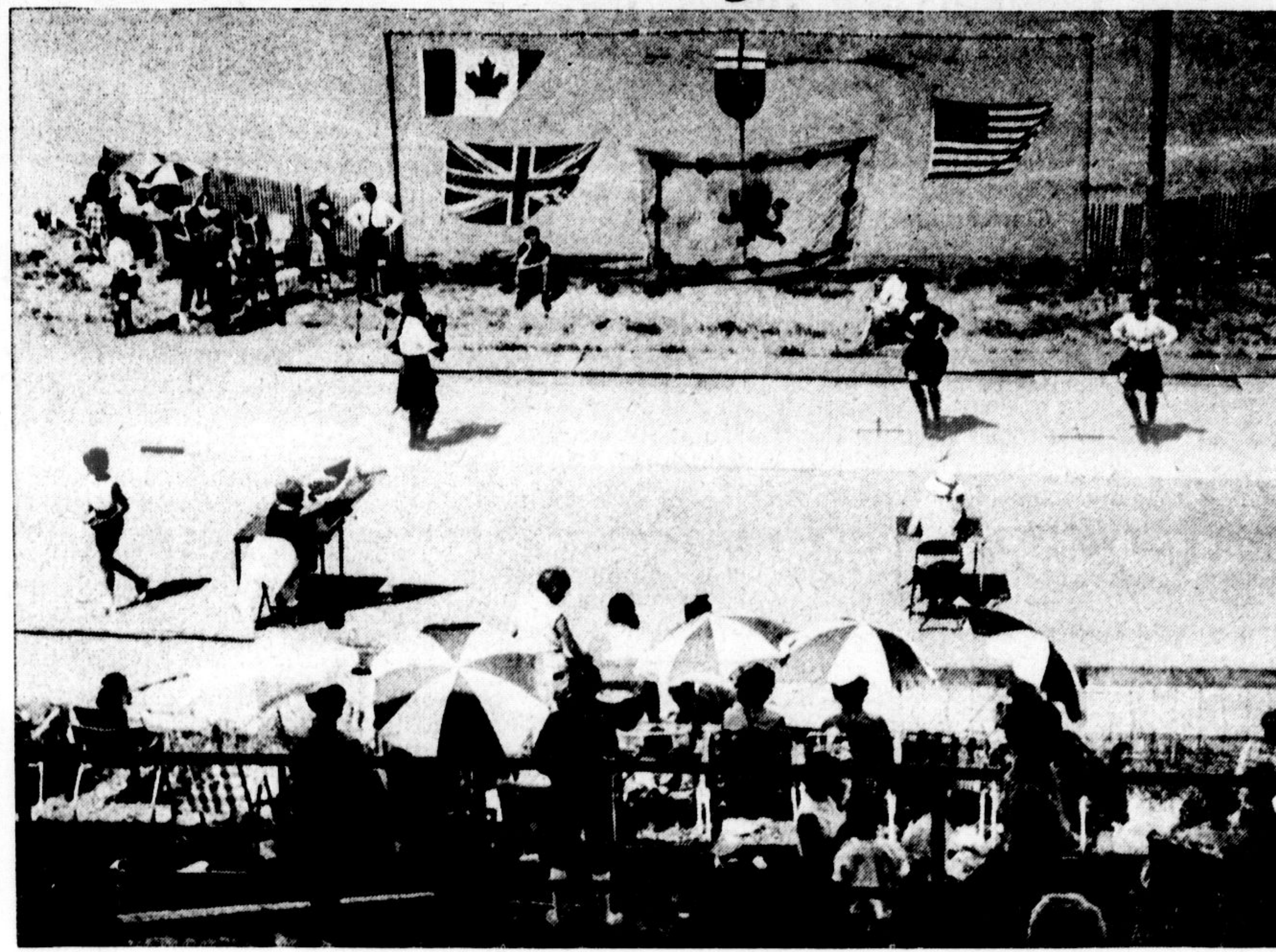




Hundreds watch highland dancers



—Staff Photos

KILTS, TARTANS, BAG PIPES and bonnets all helped to make the 16th annual Ontario Highland Dancing Championships at the fair grounds a colorful event. About 216 dancers from Ontario, the United States, Manitoba, Quebec and Nova Scotia attended the championships. Pipers Rick Dade and Jock Campbell of Toronto started playing shortly after 9 a.m. and continued until after 6 p.m. as talented youngsters vied for valuable trophies. Twelve-year-old Kirk Brush of Milton was in top form for the day and earned two trophies — the 12 and under championship and the boys championship — as well as winning first in two dances, the seann truibhas and the sword. Margo Clarkson was the only other Milton dancer to compete. Milton Mayor S. G. Childs officially opened the championships in the afternoon and the Toronto Girl Pipers led a parade around the fair grounds. All the competitors danced a mass highland fling to the delight of the several hundred parents

and friends in the stands. This was the third time the event has been held in Milton. Six years ago Milton hosted it for the first time and last year when the dancers came back. Even the most graceful dancers can get into trouble when their buttons lock. Margaret Carberry, left and Sandra Carruthers found that out. The young ladies are shown in the photo at the left as they attempt to get unhitched. In the centre photo, some of the large crowd watch dancers perform to the music of piper Jock Campbell. In the photo at the right, two young dancers practice while others perform on the platform in front of the grandstand. Following the competitions, Tom Morrison of Toronto, president of the Ontario Highland Dancers' Association described the event as a "real success" and commended the members of the Milton St. John Ambulance Brigade for their help throughout the day. St. John members were on duty in the fair grounds all day.

COUNTY OF HALTON WEED CONTROL NEWS

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STAMP OUT RAGWEED

This is the time of year when thousands of people begin to cough and sneeze from hay fever. The chief cause is the presence of air-borne pollen from

the "Ragweed" plant. To make matters worse the pollen count is usually higher in this particular area, so this is all the more reason that everyone should make a special effort to stamp out Ragweed.

It is not only a health hazard but it also competes with farm crops resulting in reduced yields. It is very objectionable in pasture fields and fodder as it can cause an off flavor taste in cow's milk. However, as the use of weed chemicals becomes more and more popular "Rag-

weed" is not the serious problem to farmers that it formerly was. The weed does not survive 2,4-D, 2,4-DB, Atrazine, or in fact any of the chemical and cultural practices of today's Agriculture.

However, it does thrive in a wide area of abandoned farms, freshly broken lands, for new development, unsprayed railroads and roadsides and neglected gardens and yards. From these areas originate great clouds of pollen which cause the hay fever sufferers such distress. The better the control in

these places the lower the pollen count will be. Spraying with 2,4-D is effective during the months of June, July, or August. Pulling of small patches after a good rain is also recommended. Mowing the plant will reduce the spread of pollen to some extent but is not an effective control, as spraying, since new flowers form from the part of the stem left above ground.

Because of its harmful effects on health and agriculture "Ragweed" is classed as a noxious weed under the Ontario Weed Control Act. All persons in possession of land are urged to cooperate in stamping out this serious nuisance. Remember, the only good weed is a dead weed.

PROTECT FEET

Walking and hiking are probably coming into their own again as fitness is being emphasized. When going for a walk, wear sensible footwear that will give support to your feet. Wear clothing suitable for the weather. If you wander off into unfamiliar country, carry a compass and map. Take a little food and some hard candy to sustain you if you get lost or meet with any mishap. Matches and a thermos of hot or cold beverage help, if you miss a meal.

There's no fool like an old fool trying to act like a young fool.



GIVE A BOY A PUNCH and a piece of leather to use it on and in a few moments, hopefully, you'll have a nametag. Here Timothy Gould-Corney, Jo-anne Gould-Corney and Steven

Gwinn begin cutting, perforating and lacing the tags at the opening day of Camp Mildaca at Kelso.

Toddler: little armful who has turned into quite a handful.

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LIVE SAFELY AND LONGER

Every summer thousands of Canadians are killed or injured in accidents. Each beautiful weekend brings its long list of tragedies that might have been prevented with just a little extra care. Remembering and observing only a few safety rules can help to make this summer a pleasant one for you, your family, and friends.

1. Don't swim alone, in unguarded places, or venture beyond your depth. Life preservers are a MUST in any boat.
2. Watch the sun! A good tan is wonderful but a painful burn is something else. Find a sunburn lotion that works well on your skin and use it while building a tan slowly.
3. Be on the lookout for poison ivy and poison oak. They can turn a holiday into misery for the unwary.
4. If you're planning a trip, take along a first aid kit. If you stock it well, you'll find it invaluable for everything from cut toes to sunburn.
5. Above all, DRIVE CAREFULLY. Take your time, especially when driving on unfamiliar roads. You'll enjoy it more, arrive just as quickly... and in one piece.

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