

Ratepayer supports meters

Support for the installation of water meters in Milton was strongly and clearly expressed by Frank Hadley, Mill St. when he addressed Milton council Monday.

Mr. Hadley was replying to comments in a letter to Milton Council last week from John Bradley. He acknowledged he was not familiar with Vancouver and Montreal, but references to Toronto, operating without meters in home properties were in error.

He pointed out meters were installed in Georgetown a few years ago and water consumption was cut 50 per cent. "I believe we could show a better saving than that," he added.

"If you're going to continue the old, outdated method of flat rate charges, you're wasting 40 per cent of your potential supply," he told councillors.

Mr. Hadley recalled that in a recent walk he had seen

three sprinkling systems going where the water was running over the sidewalk. If an industry came to town requiring a large water supply the town wouldn't have the reserve to supply it, and the only way to build the reserve is to get meters and have residents pay for what they use, he said.

"I don't plan to continue to pay for the wastage I saw the other night, or for anyone to fill their private swimming pool. In no shape or form can installation of meters be called an expenditure. It's the only place you can invest your money that will yield 30 to 40 per cent dividend," he told council.

The subject of water meter installation was stated in the last reading of the by-law last week, and members indicated it would be discussed next week to give those in support and opposition to the meters an opportunity to speak.

Town okays Sun. movies plebiscite

Miltonians will be voting on whether Sunday movies will be permitted if present plans are followed.

Mrs. Virginia Mule, owner of the Roxy theatre, asked Milton Council Monday if the town would hold a plebiscite provided the theatre paid the costs involved.

Without discussion, members indicated they would, and ordered preparation of a by-law for presentation next Monday. Mrs. Mule was to submit a written request for the plebiscite and an assurance she would cover the costs involved.

Mrs. Mule questioned council on whether she could continue

In This Issue

This week's issue (a bulging 40-page package) carries several special features of interest to readers. It's new car announcement week, as local dealers and the large car manufacturers unveil many of their 1967 models; there's a special section inside, a 12-page tabloid size "feature report" on the Town Hall renovations which are to be unveiled at Sunday afternoon's open house; and the entire issue is full of Milton Fair prize winner lists and photos.

Other features include:
 * Sports news 4 and 5
 * Classifieds 6 and 7
 * Fair photo feature B1
 * Fish and Game News B8
 * High School Highlights C4
 * Editorials, Columnists D1

Provincial museum in offing G. Kerr says at fair opening

"You can expect an announcement on the site of a provincial museum in early 1967—it's just a matter of getting the land straightened away," Halton M.P.P. George Kerr stated on Saturday as he officially opened the 114th annual Milton Fall Fair. "It is very possible the site will be in Halton County," he said.

Outfitted in a warm overcoat, Mr. Kerr spoke to a noisier-than-expected crowd from the judges' stand above the race track. In an interview following the official opening, he indicated, "I don't know exactly what the department has planned, but if it is going to be a provincial museum you can be sure it will be something nice and it'll be permanent." He indicated possibly two or three buildings would be constructed and confirmed that the Archie Service property near Milton Heights was the probable site.

Mr. Kerr expressed his pleasure at being invited to open the fair and noted, "It is events such as this that emphasize the importance of agriculture in our every-day lives." He described agriculture as "Canada's most important industry."

Gordon Rayner, president of the Halton County Agricultural Society, welcomed the crowd to the fair and introduced Mr. Kerr.

Weather cuts attendance but fall fair is successful

Threatening skies and cool temperatures took their toll at the gates on Saturday as attendance dropped slightly at the 114th annual Milton Fall Fair. An estimated crowd of 10,000—1,000 or 2,000 below normal—was treated to a fun-filled fair and in the latter part of the day, even the weatherman cooperated.

"We were probably down slightly in attendance, but it could have been a lot worse. If the sun hadn't ducked out in the afternoon, I'm sure a lot of folks who came would have stayed at home," Halton Agricultural Society president Gordon Rayner suggested.

Nine rides on the midway, including five especially for children, halls brimming with capacity with exhibits, harness races, games of chance and excellent livestock shows all combined to make this year's fair "every bit as good as usual," the president said.

Despite the decrease in attendance, gate receipts were up about 20 per cent due to the increased admission price. Entries in most classes were as big or bigger than usual, although entries in the vegetable classes fell off considerably. The only real spot where the smaller attendance was evidenced was on the grandstand. The low 60 degree temperatures, combined with the cool breeze to keep the grandstand virtually empty for most of the afternoon. "After 3 o'clock we quit selling grandstand tickets, it was just too cold," Mr. Rayner noted.

Though pleased with the fair, the president suggested, "there is always room for improvement—each year we learn by our mistakes. All in all it was a very good fair—the weather was definitely our biggest problem and we can't be blamed for that," he joked.

Local organizations set up a variety of booths as fund-raising projects and nearly all report excellent business.

One of the most popular attractions on Saturday afternoon was the new "Dunk a Lion"

booth at the north end of the midway. Milton Lions Club members Murray Hood, Joe Wilson and Gus Mowbray volunteered to sit on a collapsible chair above a vat of water. Customers had to hit a target with a ball. If they did, the unfortunate lion would splash into the water, much to the delight of the large crowds which surrounded the booth for most of the afternoon.

Food booths were operated by the Ballinacrahan W.A., Grace Anglican Church Men's Club, Sunshine School Ladies' Auxil-

iary, Milton Lions Club and the Sarah Martin Chapter of the I.O.D.E. The first Milton Land Rangers served tea in the Scout Hall and the ladies of Hornby United Church were kept busy on Friday and Saturday serving hot dinners under the grandstand.

Members of the Milton Rotary Club sold Travelogue tickets and members of the Sarah Martin Chapter of the I.O.D.E. sold chocolate bars just inside the main gate.

There were fewer than usual commercial exhibitors in the

second hall this year, Mr. Rayner said. Those who did exhibit articles included Dumont Aluminium Products, Seal 'n Save, Tupperware, the Halton Farm Safety Council, the Halton County T.B. and Health Association, Cersite Products, Baha'1 Faith, C'Artea, Tri-Chem Liquid Embroidery and Culligan Water Conditioners. Harold Clements of Chicago Ill. was the winner of the prize at the Tupperware exhibit.

On the grounds, Milton Equipment and Hornby Garage dis-

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—Staff Photo

AN ESTIMATED CROWD OF 7,000 turned out Saturday for the 114th annual Milton Fall Fair, despite cool weather and cloudy skies. Halton M.P.P. George Kerr, right, officially opened the fair which featured a variety of interesting events and displays. Mr. Kerr is seen talking with Halton County Agricultural Society president Gordon Rayner, left, and Maurice Bealy, centre, one of the Jersey cattle exhibitors at the fair.

Special section tells story

Town Hall open house Sunday

Completely renovated inside and out, Milton's century-old Town Hall building will open its doors for an official "open house" Sunday afternoon so Milton and district residents can tour the building and see the startling changes that have been brought about.

The renovations, recently completed at a cost of nearly \$80,000, have transformed the old office and spare rooms into modernly furnished, attractive offices. A special section inside this week's Champion tells the Town Hall story—the story of the renovations and the story of the building's 100 years of history, and it is liberally sprinkled with photos showing the changes that have taken place in the one-draw interior.

The section was prepared by Champion staffers and composed in the Champion's plant, then photographed with a special camera. The negatives were used to make offset plates, and the 12-page tabloid issue was printed on a large offset press. Readers will notice a marked improvement in the reproduction of the photos in the section printed by the offset method, as compared with the photos in the

rest of the issue which was done on the regular letterpress machine.

Dedication of the attractive new memorial fountain court in front of the Town Hall will be one highlight of the official opening ceremony Sunday afternoon.

The fountain court has been developed by Mrs. Audrea Costigan in memory of her late husband, E. James Costigan who served as clerk-administrator for the town of Milton for several years. The court consists of benches, attractive stone work, a drinking fountain which was presented to the town by the local temperance organization in 1889, and a unique mill stone fountain.

The court was designed by Don Hancock, while Robin Hood Flour Mills Ltd. donated the large mill stone and Bill's Auto Body assisted with the stone work. The stone is thought to date back to 1820 and was probably imported from France. Town workmen installed the sewer and water lines for the court and did much of the actual work.

"We think the changes in the building are amazing, and we're

completely satisfied. Sunday afternoon we hope the taxpayers will be interested enough to come out and tour the building and see exactly how we spent their money," Reeve Aunston Ledwith, 1966 chairman of council's building and property committee said today.

Former mayors of the town and councillors who have served during the past 10 years, along with Halton M.P. Dr. Harry Harley and M.P.P. George Kerr have been invited to attend.

Doors to the town hall will open for visitors starting at 2 p.m. and lasting through until 5 p.m. Councillors and members of the office staff will conduct tours of the building and at 2.30 p.m. the dedication of the new fountain court will take place.

The tour of the town hall will include visits to the general business area, the clerk's office, the assessing department, the works superintendent's office, the offices of the recreation committee, planning board and mayor, the police offices, committee rooms and distinctively styled council chambers.

Refreshments will be served to the visitors.

Vague consideration ...

... of July report

Auditor says 100 homes would benefit town

An auditor's report on the effect of 100 additional homes on the Milton economy received vague consideration from Milton Councillors Monday.

The report, dated July 15 and subsequently referred to the finance committee for consideration, received its first public discussion Monday. Copies of the multi-page report were not available to the press.

Finance Committee chairman Deputy Reeve C. Menefy complained the report, dated July 15, was receiving consideration a little late when it was now September.

Councillor G. Krantz observed the report showed there was public school accommodation for 140 pupils and the town

would benefit by \$8,499 if an additional 100 homes were permitted.

Councillor C. Johnson argued the increased number of employees required had not been considered, but it was pointed out an allowance of \$15,800 had been allowed for this in the auditor's calculations. Councillor Johnson reviewed a recent report by Dr. E. G. Pleva on the increased demands 100 homes placed on a municipality, and suggested the \$15,800 allowance would not be adequate.

Councillor B. Best suggested Dr. Pleva's comments were general, where auditor H. A. Leaver was familiar with Milton specifically. The councillor pointed out another revelation of the re-

port, that a five mill increase could be expected in 1967 unless additional assessment was developed. Councillor Best recalled that in May he had asked for a finance committee report monthly on the additions of assessment. He stressed the importance of getting additional assessment.

Councillor Johnson suggested filling the town with more houses would not improve the picture.

Councillor Best said he was not suggesting this. He was suggesting the town needed additional assessment including such things as a motel, and he

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Milton O.P.P. moving to new office Friday

Milton Detachment, Ontario Provincial Police will be moving into their new office building today (Wednesday) and tomorrow, and by Friday it should be "business as usual" in their new home located at the corner of Highway 25 and the Base Line Rd. at Milton's northern entrance.

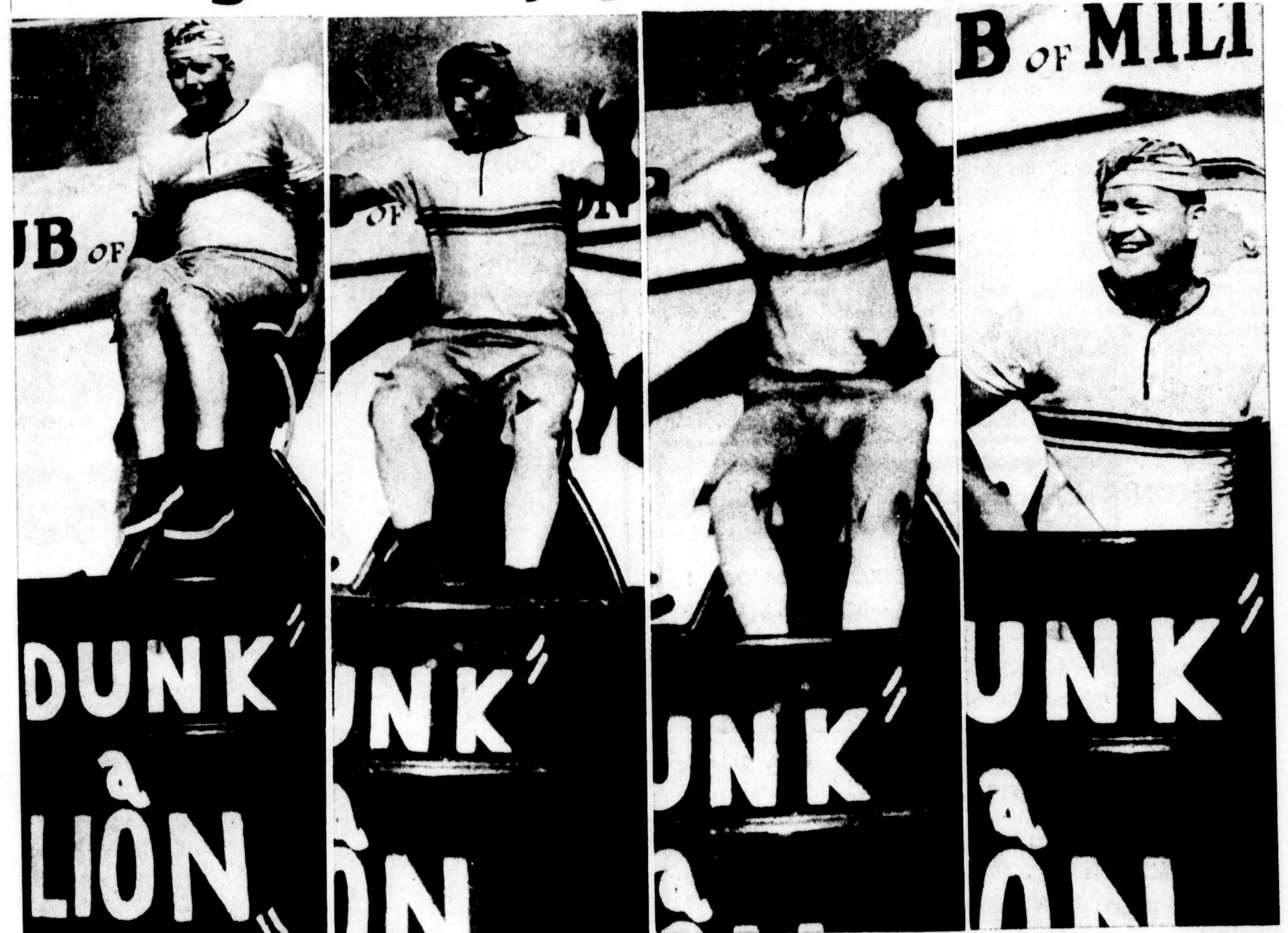
The new \$50,000 building was completed this week by Oaks from Snow Construction, Oakville. All stood in readiness for "operation shift" which began early Wednesday morning, at the present Bronte St. headquarters of the 26-man police force.

Only delay in the plans is a lack of new furniture. It has been ordered but shipment has been held up for another six weeks, said Sgt. W. J. Grant who heads the local force.

The new building faces the Highway 25 - Base Line intersection and is neatly landscaped. A new lighted O.P.P. sign has been installed and two flagpoles flank the front door entrance. Inside there is a large general office where Constables' desks will be located, plus a separate office for the Sergeant, one office for the three Corporals, one office for the two stenographers, a radio room, and an interrogation room. At the rear of the building are a kitchen, two washrooms, a two-cell lockup and a two-car indoor heated garage with storage space.

Outside on the west end are a paved parking lot for police vehicles and a stone-topped general parking lot for employees and visitors.

Fairgoers enjoy dunking Lions



"I'M NOT WORRIED"

"WHO STOLE MY CHAIR?"

"WHO-O-O-OPS"

"A LUCKY HIT"

Saturday was a wet day for three members of the Milton Lions Club who volunteered for target duty in the Lions' new "Dunk a Lion" booth at Milton Fair. Customers shelling out 25 cents got three chances to throw balls at a target on the wall of the booth, and a direct hit released a trap which dunked the sitting lion into a large barrel of water. This photo-sequence by staff photographer Brian McCristall shows what happened to Lion Murray Hood when he took the seat of honor. In the first pic-

ture he's outwardly courageous but inwardly shaking; in the second a marksman has hit the target and he starts his descent; in the third he's got his feet wet and a big splash is to follow; and in the fourth he climbs out, soaking wet, but still smiling. Lions Gus Mowbray and Joe Wilson also risked a dunking in the booth. The dunking machine was a popular new attraction at the fair.

—Staff Photo

See the new 1967 cars in local dealers' showrooms this weekend