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4-H SHOWMANSHIP CHAMPION Larry Bennett of Burlington received more than the usual acclaim when he topped the 4-H calf club competition at Saturday's fair with his Holstein calf. Among those who dropped around to congratulate him were Premier John Robarts, Milton Mayor Sidney Childs and P. C. candidates Jim Snow and George Kerr. From the left are Robarts, Kerr, Bennett, Childs and Snow, all admiring Larry's fine calf. (Staff Photo)

Education costs plebiscite launched by Milton council

Milton launched a province-wide campaign Monday to measure support for assumption by the province of 100 per cent of the cost of education.

Milton electors this December will be polled on whether they think the province should take over the total cost of education, and the town will send out nearly 1,000 letters to other Ontario municipalities asking them to take similar action.

The subject came up for discussion at last week's council meeting. At the outset of discussions this week Mayor S. G. Childs cautioned there were some 932 municipalities involved as well as additional cost in getting the material prepared and out to make it possible for municipalities to meet a November 1 deadline to plan the plebiscite.

Councillor B. Best, instigator of the suggestion last week, urged councillors to think positively. "It's the only way we are going to prove to the province that we want action."

Reeve A. Ledwith noted there was no guarantee it would be placed on the ballot papers by municipalities. "You're sure it won't if you don't act," chided Councillor Best.

"I'm firmly convinced the major problem facing municipalities today is the rising cost of education. The only way the province will take any notice is when the people who foot the bill do the speaking," Councillor Best argued.

Council endorsed the local plebiscite and the mailing of letters to all Ontario municipalities, urging them to hold a similar vote in conjunction with this year's municipal elections.

The resolution also asked individual municipalities to report the results of any votes to Milton, and Councillor Best agreed he would tabulate them and submit them as a brief to the provincial government.

The payment of overtime or the hiring of additional staff to get the letters out this week was approved by the council.

Fair lists

The Champion's fair week coverage in today's issue includes photos throughout the paper and lists of prize winners from various competitions. The lists have been partly summarized this year to conserve space and time, especially in some competitions where a few exhibitors have cleaned up on the major share of prizes.

Chamber meet

Problems concerning the Milton Chamber of Commerce and ideas for future actions will be aired at an open meeting called for 7:30 p.m. on October 19 at the Town Hall.

Secretary-manager Earl G. Black, in announcing the meeting, said parking and town development will be on the agenda for discussion.

Halton ELECTION BRIEFS

FORUM MEETING

A meet-the-candidate night for Halton West riding is scheduled to take place at Fairview School in Lowville on No.

5 Sideroad Thursday at 8:30 p.m. The meeting is sponsored by Upper Burlington Citizens Forum and refreshments will be served.

MEET ALL THREE

Milton voters will have a chance to meet the three candidates for Halton East and hear their platforms here on Thursday night.

The University Women's Club is sponsoring an all-candidate meeting at the U.A.W. Centre on Martin St. tomorrow (Thursday) at 8 p.m.

Mrs. H. Powys will be the chairman and each of the candidates will speak briefly and then answer questions from the floor. All are welcome.

ADVANCE POLLS

Advance polls for the election will be open Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 12, 13 and 14 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and again from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. standard time (9 a.m. - 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. - 11 p.m. daylight saving time).

Halton East polls will be set up in Milton at 35 Court St., in Georgetown at 30 Young St., in Oakville at the Municipal Building, 1225 Trafalgar Road.

Halton West polls will be in Burlington at 2154 Parkway Drive, 5087 Lakeshore Rd., 492 Beverly Dr. and 640 North Shore E., in Nassagaweya at the residence of Mrs. Lawrence Sharpe of R.R. 1, Campbellville; in Acton at 66 Campbell Court, and in Esquimaux at the residence of D. Williams on No. 7 Highway in Silver Creek.

RECEIVE NOMINATIONS

Deadline was three o'clock Tuesday afternoon, and all candidates in Halton East and Halton West were officially nominated in good time.

Halton West returning officer Don McMillan contacted all candidates and they were duly nominated on Monday. They are: George Kerr, Progressive Conservative; Jack Lush, Liberal; and T. H. MacDonald, N.D.P.

HALTON EAST RETURNING OFFICER

Halton East returning officer Allan Masson received the nominations from Jim Snow, Progressive Conservative; Robin Skuce Liberal, and Bill Gillies, N.D.P.

SKUCE PARTY

Liberal supporters will have their chance to meet Halton West's Robin Skuce at Coronation Park in Oakville, Saturday, October 7 between 1 and 5 p.m.

Paving begins

Highway 25 between Acton and Milton is receiving a new coat of asphalt this week. Workmen by Tuesday had completed the resurfacing from the main intersection in Acton south to 15 Sideroad at Spey-side.

The entire highway will be resurfaced to the point where it meets Highway 401. A two mile section between Highway 401 and the Campbellville (No. 5) Sideroad is also being widened to accommodate the heavy truck traffic.

Police urge motorists to obey flagmen on the job, also the reduced speed limit signs at the construction areas.

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IT'S NEW DEMOCRAT DAY at the Centennial Manor. Donald MacDonald, leader of the N.D.P.; William Gillies, candidate for Halton East and Ted MacDonald, candidate for Halton West are shown here speaking to residents of the Manor. Mr. MacDonald swung through Milton stopping at the Manor, the Town Hall and up to Campbellville shaking hands with prospective voters. (Staff Photo)

N.D.P. leader D. MacDonald sees Milton on county tour

Donald C. MacDonald, leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party, stopped in Milton for a brief visit Monday as part of his campaign tour. Mr. MacDonald visited Halton Centennial Manor briefly, then went on to the Town Hall where

he met Mayor S. G. Childs and later went to Campbellville. The leader was greeted by a group of supporters in front of the Town Hall. He gave a brief address to the small congregation in the council chambers.

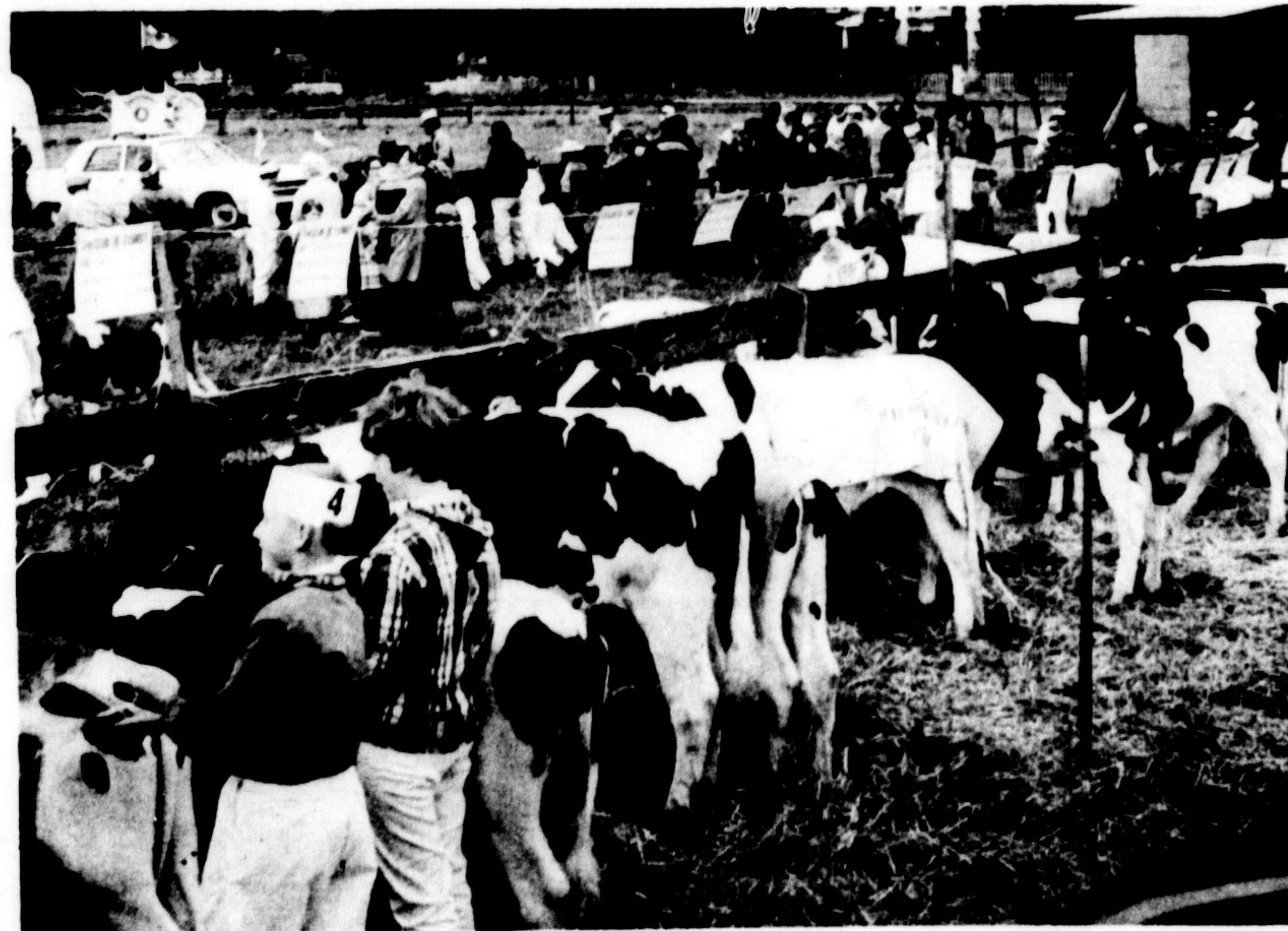
Mr. MacDonald was quite optimistic about the outcome of the October 17 election. Since visiting Halton he feels both Halton East and Halton West could easily fall his way.

He said this would be the first time for his party to have a full slate of candidates in each riding, and this alone is reason for optimism.

The leader criticized the government for delaying the Smith Taxation Report unnecessarily. He said the conclusions drawn in the report were obvious a long time before their release, and should have been acted upon when they first became known.

Mr. MacDonald visited every municipality in Halton East and West ridings during the whirlwind tour.

—Indian summer arrived on Sunday. The weather this week has been beautiful.



GROOMING THEIR CALVES prior to the showmanship classes, members of Halton's four calf clubs are shown in the cattle ties on Saturday. In the background, the judge looks over a group of beef entries. A total of 77 calves were entered in the successful show at the 115th annual Milton Fair. (Staff Photo)



"NICE WEATHER FOR DUCKS" says Allan Beverley of Milton, and the first prize Muscovy ducks owned by C. McCready thoroughly agree. Allan and the ducks got together Saturday morning at Milton Fair — Allan in his rain-coat and sou'wester hat, the ducks in their finest water-repellent togs — and all three reported having a grand time at the fair despite the weather. (Staff Photo)

Wet weather hits fair but show still success with centennial flavor

In typical "show must go on" spirit, directors of Halton Agricultural Society pitted their 1967 edition of Milton Fair against the elements on the weekend — and won.

Heavy rains all last week and lasting right up to Friday, cloudy, threatening skies and a cool breeze on Saturday failed to stop the show and 90 per cent of the fair played to a smaller-than-usual crowd in spite of the elements.

"We really can't complain at all," summed up Agricultural Society president Archie McKinnon.

About 3,000 paid admissions were registered at the gate, a drop of about 1,000 from last year. But the resulting loss of revenue was offset by the cancellation of the harness races, light and heavy horse shows on Saturday afternoon.

A few horse exhibitors were upset when they arrived at the fair to find their portion of the show was washed out — or rather muddied out — but their tempers would have been even more frayed if they had been forced to reign their horses in the muddy morass that resulted from the constant rain on the track and ball diamond.

The cattle show, sheep, goats and swine classes were just as full as other years. Cattlemen had a new pole barn to house their entries this year, and it helped a lot. However all the cattle in the dairy show couldn't be housed in the one building and about one-third of the entries had to be tied outside the barn. The fair board is contemplating an addition this year that will give the outside cattle at least overhead protection from the elements.

The midway perennial favorite spending place of the younger set, was just as busy as ever all day Saturday. Youngsters flocked to a dozen large and small rides, fish ponds, games of chance, ring tosses and even a freak show. At one point in the afternoon, fairgoers had to elbow their way through the midway crowd.

The hall features were again outstanding. "They were just as good as ever, and we had a lot of centennial year innovations," remarked the president.

Among the innovations was a three-room display of genuine antiques including over 100 items begged, loaned, borrowed.

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Premier John Robarts visits Milton Fair . . .

Politics, pipers and puddles; midway and mud; hats and hockey; coffee and quips

By Roy Downs

Politicians were plainly in evidence at the fall fair on Saturday, but the star of the show was Ontario Premier John Robarts. Mr. Robarts spent an hour at the fair, plugging the Conservative party and his local candidates, Jim Snow and George Kerr, who seek seats in the new Halton East and Halton West ridings.

A week earlier, Liberal leader Bob Nixon had livened up Georgetown fair when he joined a centennial parade and plugged for votes for Halton East Liberal candidate Robin Skuce. On Monday, for the third time within nine days a third Ontario leader visited Halton, when N.D.P. leader Donald MacDonald covered most of both East and West

ridings in a whirlwind tour. Mr. Robarts, like other fairgoers, elbowed his way down the crowded midway, stopped for a coffee, visited several booths and the cattle show, and got his shoes muddy crossing the quagmire that was once a race track. He seemed to enjoy every minute of it. He arrived to the tunes of

the Milton Girls Pipe Band bagpipes, and stopped at the P.C. booth near the main entrance to the grounds where he was greeted by a dozen party workers sporting Jim Snow straw boater hats. Candidates Kerr and Snow accompanied him on his tour of the grounds, surrounded by a dozen children carrying Snow signs and trailed by a small

battery from the press corps. Several times the party had to skirt mud puddles or step gingerly over soft spots in the mudway. Mr. Robarts shook every hand he could, introducing himself with a modest "John Robarts". At the ferris wheel, just to please the photographers, he shook hands with three little girls who were thrilled when they found out

who he was. Mr. Robarts refused to go for a ride on the contraption with them. At the grandstand, he toured the arts and crafts and vegetable exhibits, then stopped for a cup of coffee at the Hornby S.C.W. restaurant — almost spilling his coffee several times as well-wishers rushed up to shake his hand.

One little girl who asked for an autograph was disappointed when he gently refused. The soft-spoken premier explained he just didn't have the time to start signing autographs, or he would never be finished in such crowded surroundings. "But write me a letter some time, and I promise I'll answer it," he told her. The girl beamed broadly at

the prospects of something even better than an autograph from an important personage. Gingly wading across the race track, the P.C. leader stopped at the Esso hockey shot booth where he and Jim Snow attempted to break existing records with the speed of their slap shots. Both fail.

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