

New Opti centre — source of pride for members

By Linda Kirby

The Milton Optimist Club deserves to feel more than satisfied with their brand new youth centre near Brian Best Park.

A great deal of fundraising effort has gone into the realization of the appraised \$1 million complex, but more than that, the members themselves can beam with

pride at the actual work they have done themselves in the construction of the building.

When Optimist member Paul Newell sits himself in front of the club's attractive brick fireplace, he is likely to recall the hours of work that went into building it.

Michael O'Shea, professional painter and Optimist member, will probably be watching for

anyone who dares to mark the fresh white walls of the Optimist hall.

In the last few months since work began on the building, many man-hours of labor have been put in by professionals and keen Optimist members alike.

Before the electricity had been installed and the entire first floor was lit with one

lonely light bulb, as many as 22 men turned out one night to see what they could do to work on the building.

Visitors to the site will always find several members at work every weekday evening and on the weekend. It is the only way to get the job done, and as far as Optimist officials are concerned, they are determined to hold their first meeting in

the new hall on Thursday, Nov. 2. With any luck, there may even be a roaring fire going in the fireplace.

A strict budget is one of several reasons behind the enthusiasm of the club members. The effort to do as much as possible on the building is paying off twofold, explained Dennis Kwasnicki, club president.

The club realizes an actual labor cost savings with the donated help of their members and Wintario is also prepared to match the efforts of the men with a grant.

That grant has not yet been determined, but club officials are hopeful it could be between \$200,000 and \$300,000. Final approval of that amount is expected within the next six weeks, said Mr. Kwasnicki.

He estimates their own labor efforts have saved approximately \$400,000 in costs in addition to approximately \$50,000 donated labor on the part of some of their professional laborers.

One of those persons is Gord Hull, professional building contractor and vice-

president of the Milton Optimist Club. He has been responsible for organizing the work crews. His own company has come in and worked for several days at a time as a donation towards the club building.

"They are dedicated people," continued Mr. Kwasnicki, of his membership. "On weekends, many are here before 9 a.m. and will work late into the afternoon."

Gord Hull, he notes "practically lives here." Not all of the work has been

done by the club, but a great deal has been accomplished. In addition to the fireplace and painting, members have cut and mounted all the wallboard and assisted contractors wherever possible.

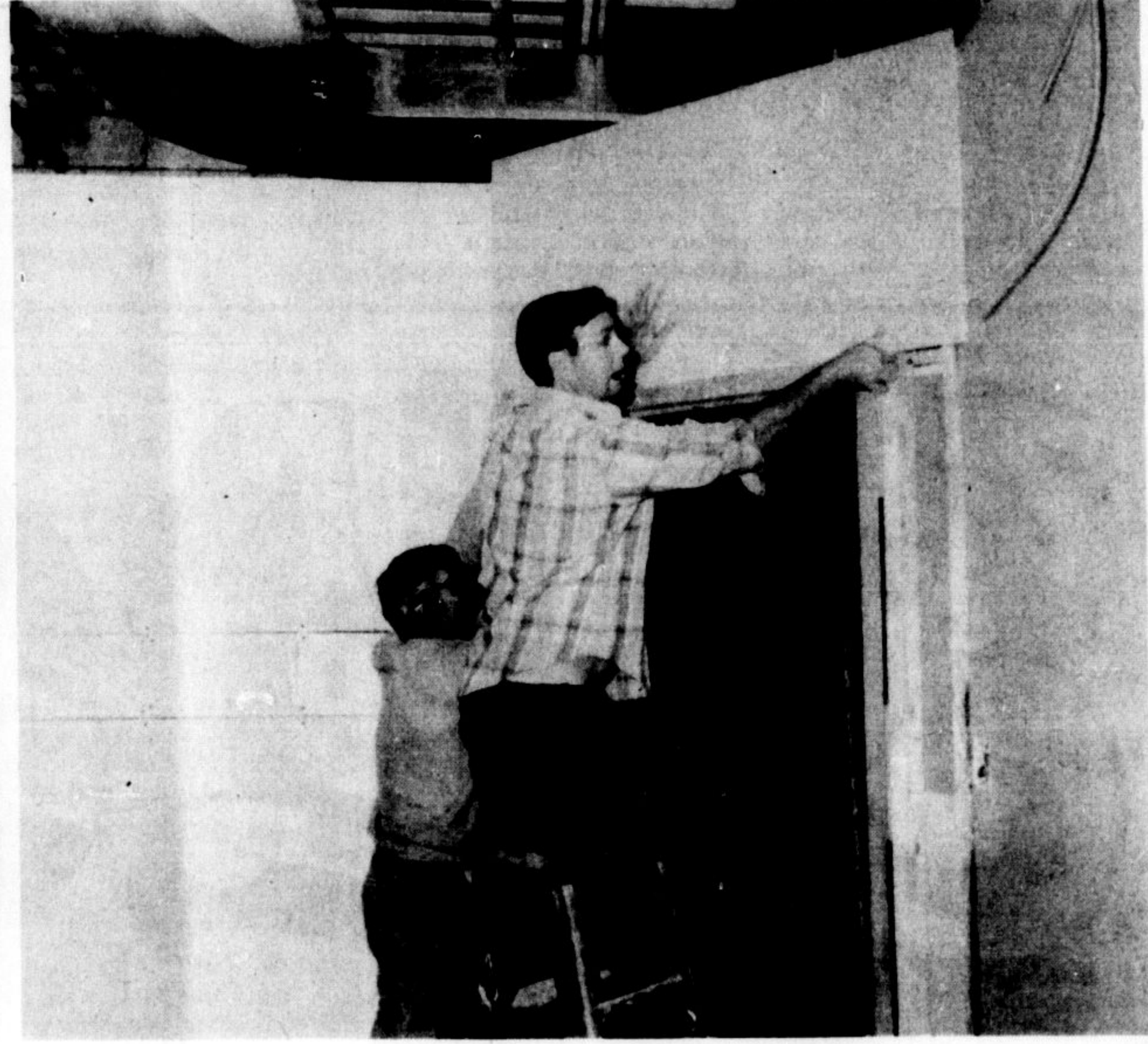
They expect to have the meeting hall in good shape for their general meeting on Nov. 2, with the rest of the building completed by the end of that month.

The new youth centre will contain four squash courts, two saunas, an exercise room, a coffee house, lounge and bar, and the hall to accommodate 400 people.

The facilities will be utilized by more than the youth of Milton. The Milton Kinsmen have already arranged to use the hall for meetings, as well as the Milton Italian-Canadian Club and other area groups.



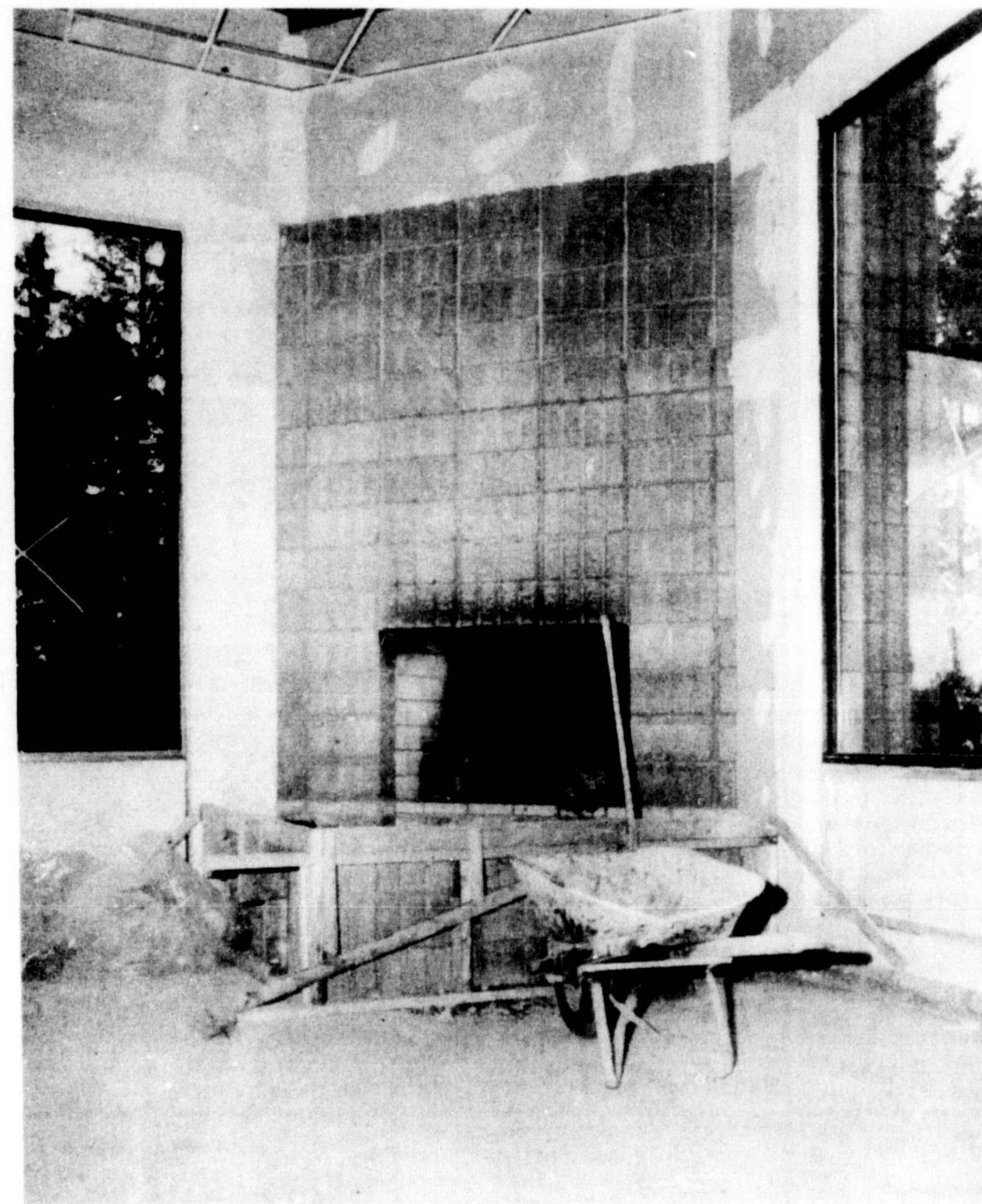
PAINT CREWS were in full swing this weekend, as Optimist Club members set about painting the new hall in the soon-to-be-opened youth centre. The club expects to save a substantial amount of labor costs by doing a lot of the work themselves, as well as receiving further aid through Wintario



EVERY OPTIMIST knows how to help in some way, and regular work crews can be found at the club's new youth centre on weekday evenings and weekends, as the Optimist Club attempts to do as much work as possible on the new building. Burt Hull, left and Danny Bowes fit a piece of wall board.



EVEN THE CLUB PRESIDENT is out helping to paint the new Optimist youth centre. Work is progressing at a good rate, according to Dennis Kwasnicki, and club members are confident the centre's hall will be ready for the first meeting of the Optimist Club on Nov. 2.



NEARLY COMPLETED, the fireplace at the Optimist Youth Centre is the work of one of the club's members. Since the project began this summer, the club has formed its own work crews to get as much as possible done on the building located near Brian Best Park.

grants. Up on the trestle are Optimist members Bill Manuel, left, and Gerry St. Denis. Gord Hull, on the ground is a professional contractor and vice-president of the Club. He is currently organizer of the work crews busy on the building.

Poppy Week, parade given council's okay

Milton Council declared the week of Nov. 3-11 as poppy week on behalf of the Royal Canadian Legion.

Permission to hold a Remembrance Day Parade on Saturday, Nov. 11, was also granted.

Councillor Russ Powadiuk questioned the town's policy of paying the full cost of the proclamation.

He said the Legion like everybody else is "deserving of council's support. Where is the line drawn to decide which receives funds and which doesn't be asked.

Clerk Campbell Thompson said the town has always supported the Remembrance Day Parade, and co-sponsors the ceremony with the Legion.

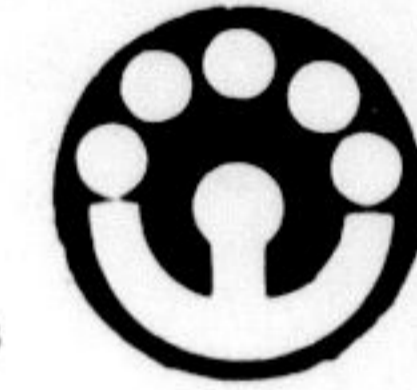
He said if it didn't, such things would become "wayside issues". The clerk said the proclamation costs \$15.75.

On hearing that, Powadiuk dropped his opposition and called for approval.

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NOTICE TO ELECTORS

The Regular Polling Day for the Municipal Council and School Board Trustee Elections is to be held on November 13th, 1978 during the hours of 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

A notice has been mailed to qualified electors in the Municipality advising of the location of their Polling Places.

Advance Polls will be held on November 4th, 1978 during the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for electors who expect to be unable to vote on November 13th, 1978 at the following two locations:

Trinity United Church, Mill St. (Acton)

Municipal Administration Building, Region Road No. 3

Subject to certain conditions, an elector may vote by proxy by appointing in writing on the prescribed form a person who is entitled to vote in this election. Such appointment is not valid unless certified by the Clerk not later than 5 o'clock in the afternoon on November 13th, 1978. Forms referred to are obtainable from the Clerk's office.

K. R. RICHARDSON,
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Stricter police rules

A directive from Solicitor General Roy McMurtry to all police commissions made it clear Ontario lawyers who are members of such commissions must stop defending clients in any trial where police are involved, or resign from the commissions.

The order applies to all court cases ranging from parking offences to murder charges.

"In this way the public can be assured that possible con-

licts between law enforcement and private interest will be avoided," stated McMurtry.

The new guidelines follow recent allegations that the chairman of Halton Police Commission William Hourigan attempted to influence police officers after his business partner was arrested.

Hourigan's appointment expires at the end of this month, and McMurtry has stated he will not be reappointed.

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