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It was Spring in 1957 when George Becker, General Chairman of the Medina Hospital's public subscription drive, was lifted by a mechanical hoist to the top of a giant thermometer on Main Street in Medina to record the last successful effort. Public giving had raised \$362,390 in pledges, half the money needed for the \$700,000 expansion project. Altogether, more than \$715,855 was received by the building committee. From surplus hospital funds came \$61,404. An investment fund netted \$327,000 and a Ford Foundation Grant of \$20,600 was also received. The "new" Medina Memorial Hospital enlargement was finished in 1959 with dedicatory ceremonies and the sealing of the cornerstone. Shown here twenty years ago in a July photo viewing the cornerstone just prior to its being laid are from left: Mr. Donald Acer who was Vice-President of the Board, Mrs. Bernard Hart who was a Director and Mr. Edward O'Reilly who was president of the Board.