



United For Victory

CHELTENHAM TOWNSHIP

MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNMENT

1950-1951

From the Township Manager

One hundred and fifty of our boys have gone into the service of their Country and many reserves have been called back to duty for the present emergency. It is to them—the Heroes of the Army, the Navy, the Air Corps, the Marines and the Coast Guard—that the Commissioners proudly and gratefully dedicate this 1950 Yearbook, with the fervent prayer that all will soon return safely to their homes and families. **WE ARE PROUD OF EVERYONE OF YOU.**

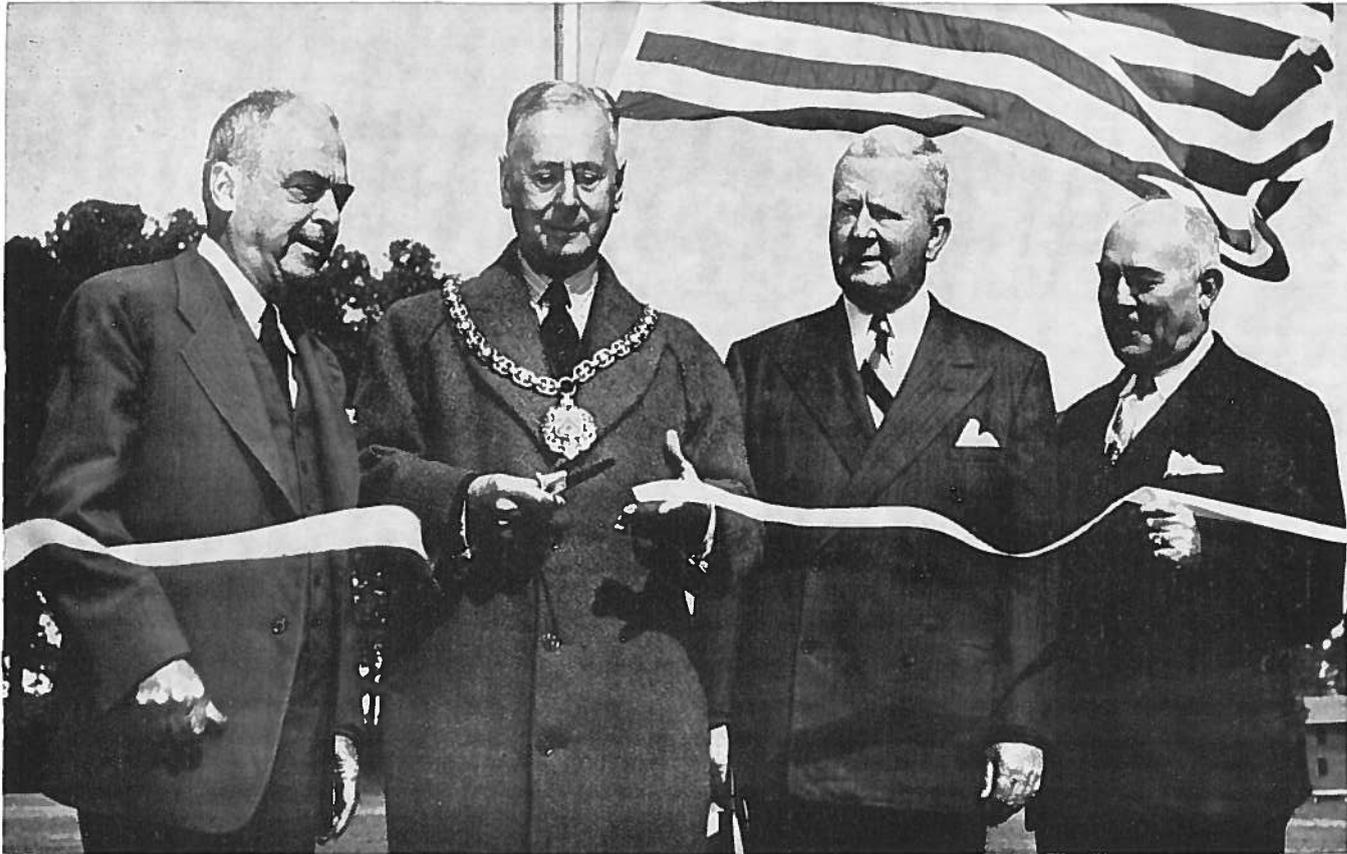
I want to stress the prompt and effective response of our citizens in the development of what I believe is the strongest, most thoroughly co-ordinated plan for Civil Defense in the area surrounding Metropolitan Philadelphia. This organization, under the direction of Lt. Col. Eli J. Paris, more than anything else demonstrates that our citizens are "United for Victory," just as we who manage and administer township affairs are "United for Progress."

1950 was outstanding in the history of Cheltenham Township, inasmuch as it marked the Fiftieth Anniversary of the municipality becoming a first class township and also commemorated the Two Hundred Sixtieth Anniversary of Cheltenham Village. The visit of Mayor P. T. Smith of Cheltenham, England, and two of his colleagues, during the celebration in September, was an event that will long be remembered here and in Cheltenham, England. The English Mayor won a warm spot in the hearts of the people of Cheltenham and the outpouring of good will and welcome of all citizens, civic organizations and churches made his visit with us truly an historic event.

1950 was also outstanding in that a new record for building new homes was made in Cheltenham Township when there was a total of 422 building permits issued for new homes, with an estimated construction cost of \$6,226,938.

Many families have located in Cheltenham Township since our last report. Management and Government want **EVERY ONE OF YOU** to enjoy life in this great municipality—and in pursuance of that policy, pledge to you a continuation of every essential municipal service which shall mean health, comfort, safety and convenience; consistent however with those difficulties under which all municipalities must function in war times. To our new residents, we say **"WELCOME."**

HAROLD C. PIKE,
Township Manager



Mayor P. T. Smith of Cheltenham, England cuts the ribbon which officially opened the John Russell Park at Lynwood Gardens. Watching from l. to r. Bernard Samuel of Philadelphia, Former Governor James H. Duff and Township Manager, Harold C. Pike.



Commander Edward G. Reid of the Forsythe-Oldham-Griffith Post No. 497 presenting American Legion award to Mayor P. T. Smith of Cheltenham, England. From left to right—Past Commander Joseph Ruzicka, Commissioner Chas. D. Conklin, Jr., Mayor Smith, Commander Reid and Councillor Theodore L. Thompson, of England.