

## FROM THE PAST

This is a special From The Past this week as we remember those who have fought for our freedom. This photo was brought in by Ron McGillivray of Port Elgin, who is the great nephew of Donald D. McGillivray, whose name appears on the cenotaph in town. Donald was a member of 'A' Company 160th Battalion and served 1st Battalion. He was killed in action at Canal Du Nord, France in 1918. In this picture sent to his family, he identifies the men from left to right as Walker, Hendry, Miller, Hill, Myself, Young, and Ted Walker behind the gun. Donald was the youngest in the family, and was tragically killed at the young age of 22.

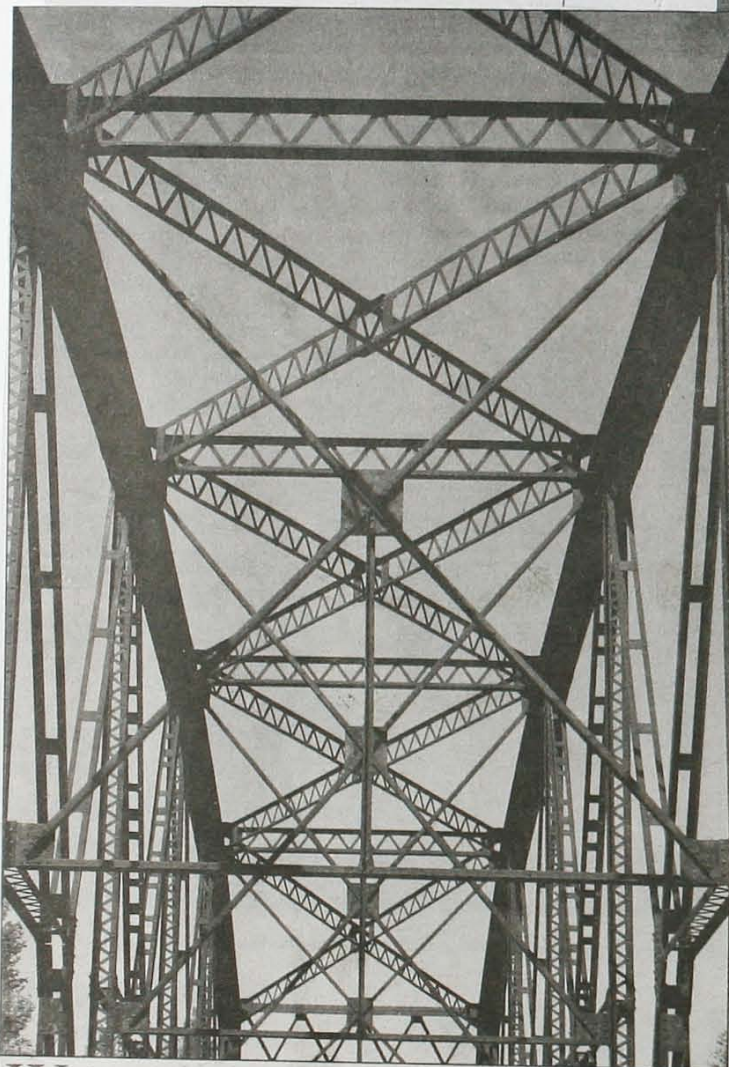


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This week's From The Past is a photo of Saugeen Council back in 1961. The photo was brought in by Southampton resident Rick Doll. Like last week's From the Past, there has been a lot of changes to the council that represents our municipality over the years, including last Monday's election which brought in a new deputy mayor and councillors. Pictured here is, from left to right (rear): councillor George Pollock, road superintendent George Guyer, and councillors John Cobean, Harold Sutherland, and Clayton Doll; (front): assessor and tax collector Andrew Muir, reeve Archie McCulloch, and clerk treasurer Art McKinnon.



## Iron Giant



We in Bruce County are still blessed (some would say cursed) with plenty of these old fashioned iron single-lane bridges. The granddaddy of them all, the old Turner's Bridge on the way to Port Elgin was replaced with a sleek modern concrete bridge a few years ago, but many sideroads still have these rust-coloured truss and beam marvels of engineering.

Photo: Jennifer Barna

■ COURT: Career criminal with local ties fights feds over time in solitary confinement

# McArthur can pursue cruelty claim

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KINGSTON, Ont. — An imprisoned career criminal with local ties has been given the go-ahead by Canada's top court to pursue a claim for damages based on allegations he's been treated cruelly in prison.

Mitchell "Micky" McArthur grew up in the Paisley and Walkerton areas and robbed a bank in Hepworth in the summer of 1983. He went on to shoot three police officers in a bloody bank heist 16 years ago in Port Perry.

In a unanimous decision, the Supreme Court of Canada ruled

that McArthur could ask Ontario's Superior Court of Justice to consider his claim. The attorney general had argued that McArthur couldn't pursue his claim until he took his complaint first to the Federal Court of Canada.

"A textual, contextual and purposive interpretation of the Federal Courts Act does not support the view that a plaintiff who claims to have suffered compensable loss as a result of an administrative decision must first have the lawfulness of the decision determined by the Federal Court," the Supreme Court

decision states.

"Further, the Federal Courts Act does not prevent provincial superior court scrutiny of the constitutionality of the conduct of federal officials."

The decision is a significant victory for McArthur, who has been battling federal authorities for years.

He is a notorious figure in Kingston, where a murder accusation still hangs over him. Kingston Police charged him in the disappearance of Tom Gen-carelli, 24, who vanished in 1982. Gen-carelli's body has never been found, but police say

they're certain he was slain.

The murder charge against McArthur was dropped in 1998 when a key Crown witness died before a trial could be held.

In the Hepworth robbery, McArthur fired shots at the vehicle of a local man who tried to block his escape.

McArthur's national notoriety was inflated in 1994 when he staged a bloody bank heist.

On Oct. 20, two masked bandits stormed into the Bank of Montreal branch in Port Perry, Ont., north of Oshawa, Ont.

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