



## Ontario Cattle Go To Haiti By Air

Ontario Minister of Agriculture and Food William G. Newman, right, and Kenneth Davis, representing the Central Ontario Rotary Clubs look over the 112 Ontario Holstein cattle on board a chartered jet bound from Toronto to Haiti. The cattle, purchased by the Rotary Clubs with assistance from the Canadian International Development Agency will be used to stimulate the dairy industry in Haiti.

The project which cost \$50,000, was financed by the 57 Rotary clubs of Central Ontario and assisted by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA). The Holsteins were purchased through funds raised by the Rotary clubs and donations from students at the Kemptville College of Agricultural Technology. Some of the cattle were donated by Ontario farmers.

The cattle will be used to stimulate the dairy industry in Haiti. Haiti currently imports about 30 million litres of milk each year.

The Haitian dairy industry now produces only five percent of the domestic need. The 100 Holstein heifers, 12 bulls and some frozen semen from Ontario will be delivered to seven areas of Haiti to be used for both production and educational purposes.

Rotary spokesman Kenneth Davis said the club worked on the project for about 10 months. He said the decision to begin the program was made in consultation with Canadian and Haitian government officials and with two Rotary clubs in Haiti. "This is the largest shipment of Ontario Holsteins to Haiti and if the project goes well we hope to send more cattle in a few months," said Mr. Davis.

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### Browns Corners

#### Young Adults

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#### Enjoy Bowling

Mr. and Mrs. John Uren and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brookes were in charge of "Young Adults" last week. They enjoyed an evening of Bowling in St. Marys, followed by lunch, at the Uren home. Mrs. Ron Wakem is the convenor for this year.

Misses Teresa and Robin Weir, of Thamesford, were weekend guests of their cousins, Kristina and Kevin Tate.

In Sunday School, Esther Frayner and Edith Facey of Wellburn, spoke on their experiences at Toc Alpha' at Niagara Falls, a few years ago. Edith brought her guitar along, and led in singing several songs. Ronald Wakem and Reg Harris, were inducted as elders at Church last Sunday.

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### 15 YEARS AGO

Officials of the Upper Thames Valley Conservation Authority are confident that a start will be made during this coming summer on the construction of the \$2,000,000, Wildwood Dam and reservoir. Early in April bids will be invited on the gates and mechanism for their operation. At present the results of the appraisals on lands to be purchased are in the hands of the Government department in Toronto for study.

Hinde & Dauche manager Fred Wood was in a merry chase on Monday trying to find someone who could read Hebrew. Did he find them? Ask Fred (from the Rambling Reporter).

## Snow Brings Activity To Halt

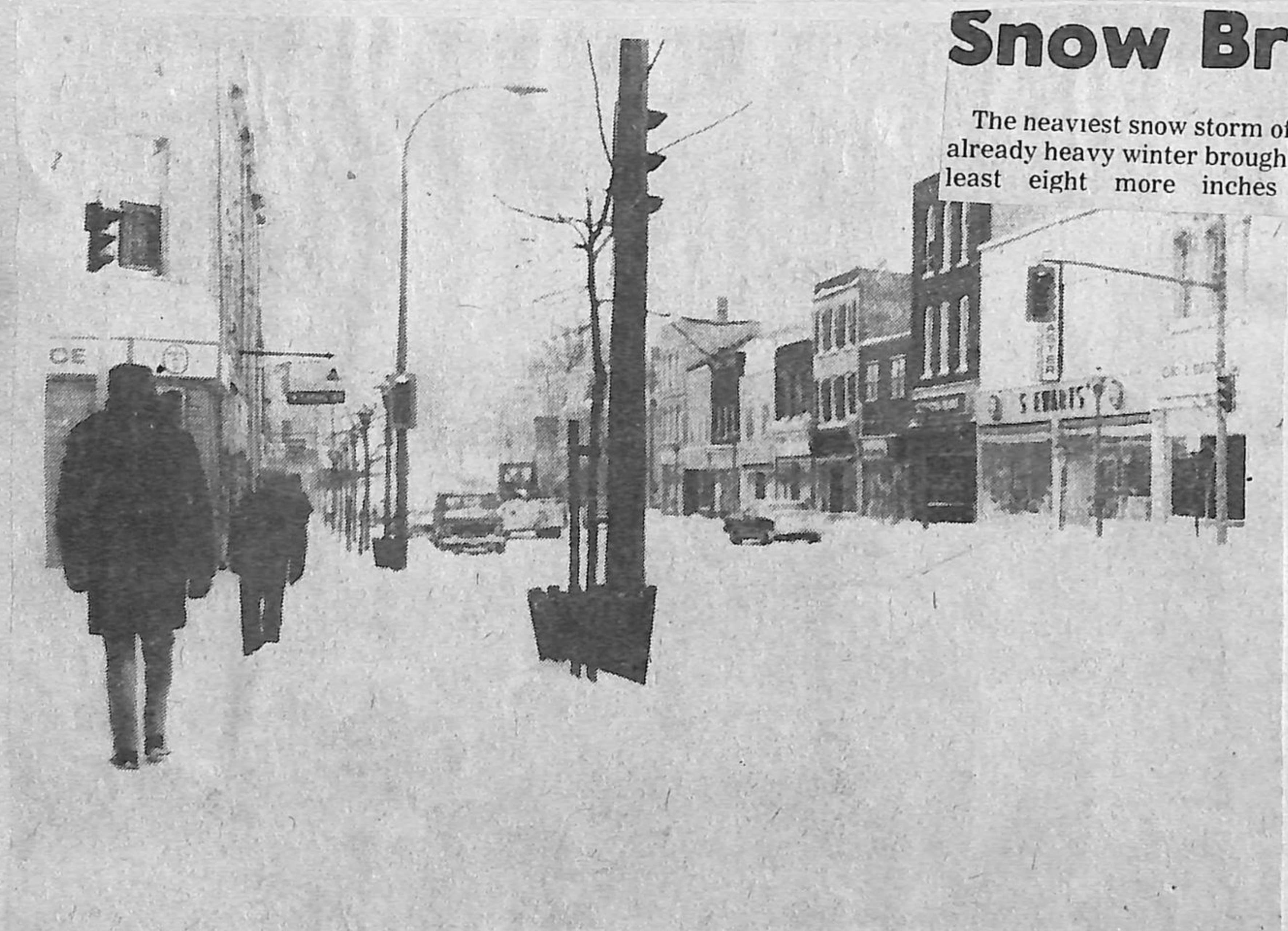
The heaviest snow storm of an already heavy winter brought at least eight more inches of

drifted white stuff to the St. Marys area in a two-day period which began around midnight early Monday morning. Salt and sand crews, graders, and plows were out in full force most of that time, attempting to keep reasonable control over roads which were snow-covered, wind-swept and sometimes submerged during the height of the storm.

Some businesses in the area were forced to close or operate at less than full employee strength during the squall, which kept many people, especially in rural districts, at home tending their fires and clearing out clogged laneways which refused to stay unclogged.

School children in the country had an expected holiday. Buses were not running due to the heavy snow and drifting. Children in town suffered a less fortunate fate as St. Marys schools remained open despite the inclement weather.

The high winds and heavy snow engulfed most of southern Ontario, from Windsor to Ottawa, snarling public transit systems and roadways alike. In London, two people died after suffering heart attacks while shovelling snow.



## And Worse Was Yet To Come

Downtown St. Marys on Monday morning had that real wintry look but more snow was to come later in the day and even more throughout Monday night. This is a view looking west from the corner of Wellington and Queen Sts.

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