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## Tanners Take First Game of Series from Elora 6-2

### Grant Gillespie Notched Three of the Home Team's Counters—While Quinn for Elora Spoiled Evans' Chances for a Shut-out—Tanners go to Elora To-night and if Third Game Necessary will be Played on Saturday Night

The crowd which the arena consumed on Tuesday night may have disappointed team officials but the performance of the Tanners exhibited more than made up for the extra "vox populi" which was lacking in the seating sections as the Ideals tanned Elora hides by a 6-2 count. Gloom came to the rocks of Elora principally in the shape of a trio of Tanners, who, modest as they are, pushed a singing quartette of pucks behind a bewildered Walser stationed as if with sword and shield, smack in front of the Elora net.

Three times did the Gillespie called Grant bewilder the guard at the Elora bastion and it was thrice he penetrated the crease committing the unpardonable crime of little head in Group 5 circles—the hat trick. Assisted in his meanderings by two associates who incidentally were the persons responsible for the pill reaching the shillelagh of Grant, Sonny Townsley and Ilo Marzo. A fourth goal bulging the cord in the Elora goal was another of the game named "puck pass"—the rubber disc traveling twice one player to another until Townsley made the final grasp to worm his way to an empty net and cause the goal judge's index to flicker the red lamp.

Yes, the Tanners took the first game in the best of three series with a four goal lead and it could have been more than the four if Quinn, Elora's belligerent pivot, hadn't broken away twice, shattering the hopes of "Dooney" Evans for a shut-out.

Gillespie it was who tallied the first Acton marker at the 10:00 minute mark in the opening session. Again at 14:10 it was Grant, each of the brace being an aftermath of Ilo Marzo's swoops through the opposition. Steik handling such as only Sonny Townsley can fashion tickled the responsive chords behind Walser and the Tanners led by three goals with the first period's finish.

Only "Dude" Lindsay could have made Walser blink his headlamps as he did when the rangy prower of the left-dasher let fly his bullet-like shot, after receiving from Morton, to make it four to nothing at the even dozen mark in the second stanza. Blonde, centre star Norm Morton, with his fancy poke check and tireless back checking created quite a stir in the ranks of the Legionnaires during the middle twenty—even heard an Elora player exclaim, "Where in hell did they catch that centre man (puff, puff), hardest checker I've ever played against." With only a minute of play remaining in the second period, Quinn barged home the first of the Legionnaire's two.

Rummaging around the blue streak of the opposition, Gillespie broke precedent, literally snatching the puck from "under the noses" of the fraternal Legionnaires, bringing to quintuple length the Tanner tallies. Hardly a 60 second break until Morton cashed in on the effort of Lindsay coasting along the port side boards.

Well, with a fast first and second session past the locals sat back and waited for "quicksilver" Quinn plus cohorts to break their seemingly unpenetrable ranks. Perhaps they underestimated No. 10 (Quinn) for he was away in a flash or splash of leg depositing the pill in the Acton net. Tannerson failed to take sufficient advantage of Rombough's penitential moments and further counts were negligible.

Ten times was the sin-bin occupied with Refs Walsh and Palmer enforcing strictest discipline in regard to knees and charging. However, the tilt featured some of the lustiest body checks we have seen yet this season. "Dang" Kentner reminded us of "Bucko" McDonald, ex-Leafan.

**Scoring Summary**  
1st period Gillespie (Acton) 10:00; Gillespie (Acton) 14:10; Townsley (Acton) 17:00 Penalties, Riddell, Steffler, Yonters  
2nd period Lindsay (Acton) 12:00; Quinn (Elora) 19:00 Penalties, Rombough, Bayliss  
3rd period Gillespie (Acton) 3:00; Morton (Acton) 4:00; Quinn (Elora) 14:00 Penalties, Bayliss, E. Marzo, Nelmes, Townsley  
Elora: Walser, goal; Runnells, Steffler, defense; Miller, centre; Nelmes, Quinn, wings, alternates; Grosse, McDonald, Runnells, Rombough, Yonters  
Acton: Evans, goal; Kentner, Riddell, defense; Gillespie, centre; I. Marzo, Townsley, wings, alternates; Lindsay, Morton, L. Marzo, Goy, E. Marzo, Bayliss  
Referee—Walsh  
Linesman—Palmer

## Cases Heard in Supreme Court in Milton Last Week

An assize court jury, last Wednesday, found Cecil Lloyd Peters, married, of Etobicoke, not guilty on a charge of attempted rape of an 18-year-old Port Credit girl.

"I have no criticism of your finding," declared Mr. Justice R. W. Treloven, who presided, dismissing the jury.

According to the defendant's wife, Peters was home on the night in question. She told the court she had given birth to a child two days earlier and had asked him to stay at home to assist with the work that evening. Other defense witness corroborated her evidence.

W. E. MacDonald appeared for Peters while Walter M. Johnston was special prosecutor.

A civil action between Begg and Francis over property dispute was settled out of court. Three divorce actions were heard and decrees nisi was granted each.

## 797 Families Live in 581 Houses Survey Shows

### Need for New Homes in Acton Revealed by Survey to Housing Questionnaire

The questionnaire which was required to go with the application for Wartime Housing in Acton brought to light many facts about Acton which are not generally known. The survey showed there are 797 families residing in Acton and there are 581 dwellings. There are 216 buildings in which two or more families are now living. There are ten dwellings which are condemned as unfit for living quarters. There are 25 dwellings at present under construction.

The figures given in this survey include only the Corporation boundaries and none of that area which is outside the boundaries such as a large part of Crescent Street.

In Acton's seventeen industries there are a total of 1068 employed, 835 male employees and 233 female employees. The anticipated employment rolls in the next twelve months are placed at 1419 persons.

It is revealed there are about 360 men and women residing in Acton now who served in the armed forces and who had overseas service.

There are 25 war brides.

Looking over these figures it can easily be seen that the 50 houses planned will not meet present requirements by a long way, but they will certainly be a help in the present situation.

The statistics gathered do not take into the picture the bus load and carloads of workers who find it necessary to reside elsewhere and come to Acton for employment. It does not show those employed in other vocations outside the industries and in need of housing accommodation here.

If these needs are met and the adjoining sections of land enjoying municipal facilities are annexed to Acton the present population of 2400 to 2500 will reach the 3000 figure in the course of a year or so.

## Palermo and Acton Junior Farmer Teams Win Friday Night

Palermo Junior Farmers crept into a second place tilt with the Norval Juniors by defeating them 5-1 in the first game of a doubleheader tilt in Milton Arena Friday night. The smooth skating Acton team shut-out the Milton Juniors 3-0 to further strengthen their lead over the other three teams.

For Palermo John Galbraith and Vernon Bridgeman had two each with Dave Pelletier accounting for the other. Grant Heslop backed up by a strong defence let only one puck slip by him. Although Norval were minus three of their best players they put up a good fight with their star centre-ice man John McClure scoring the lone tally.

Acton and Milton teams played a scoreless draw for quite some time before the Acton team started to click around the goal mouth. Bob Marshall added another two goals to his list to give him seven to date for the season. Ken Allan accounted for the third Acton tally. The Milton boys had several good chances around the Acton net but just couldn't blink that red light.

However, the score might have been more one-sided if it hadn't been for the sensational goal-keeping of Milton's Sammy Harrop.

Eddie Robertson, the referee, deserves a lot of credit for the efficient manner in which he handled both games. Let's hope that this Thursday night, February 27th, the Palermo Juniors will make it hot for the Acton team and the Milton Juniors can at last pull out a win over the Norval boys.

Scientifically we have progressed far enough to split the atom. We must progress spiritually far enough to handle it.

## Dublin Branch Marks Fiftieth Anniversary W. I.

Dublin Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. D. Barber for their February meeting. Invitations had been sent to ex-members and others to join with them at this meeting in order to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Women's Institutes in Ontario. Mrs. Barber conducted the business part of the meeting, \$5 was sent to Halton Musical Festival and the County Fees were to be sent.

Miss Minnie Somerville, a charter member of Dublin W.I. gave a very concise account and history of Dublin W.I. Miss Elizabeth Appleby of Georgetown had organized Dublin W. I. and was present as guest speaker on this occasion. Miss Somerville named the past presidents and secretaries since organization in 1926 and told of the various activities which they have undertaken since that time. Roll call was answered by telling the time and place of joining the Institute. Greetings were sent by some unable to be present.

Miss Appleby who for many years was convener of Historical Research for the County, told many stories of pioneer days and roads. Miss Appleby presented Dublin W.I. with Miss Rowell's book "History of Institutes." She also told the story of how Mrs. Adelaide Hopless came to organize the Women's Institutes. Mrs. George Robertson sang a solo "The Last Time I Saw Paris" and also led in singing several old time songs. Mrs. A. Near conducted a contest on W.I. work, which was won by Miss Appleby.

A bounteous lunch was served by the committee which included a birthday cake with 50 candles. Miss Appleby cut the cake. Little Jean Moffat and Anne Watkins, youngest members of the group, helped serve lunch. About fifty members, ex-members, guests and children enjoyed this enjoyable afternoon.

## Committee to Consider Increase of Councillors' Fee

### LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTED BY THE UNITED W.M.S.

The regular monthly business meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Church was held at the home of Mrs. J. Symon on Tuesday when Mrs. E. J. Caldwell presided and the devotional period was taken by Mrs. S. Reid.

Mrs. J. K. Gardiner contributed a vocal solo. The study book was given by Mrs. R. Arnold, assisted by Mrs. B. Mowat, Mrs. R. L. Johnston, Mrs. G. MacDonald, Miss D. Simmons.

Our missionary for special prayers for the year is Miss Louise Foster, B.A., West China. A life membership certificate by Miss M. Z. Bennett and a W.M.S. pin by Mrs. Wm. Waterhouse, were presented to Miss Dorothy Simmons. Dorothy thanked the ladies for this honor.

A very hearty vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Sykon for her home, which is always available for the society.

### Auditor's Fee is Increased and Permission Granted to Erect Aerial on County Buildings—Resolution from Wellington County Filed—Other Items at Friday's Session of Halton County Council

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While most members remained mum on the suggestion that councillor's fees be increased from \$5 per day to \$8, Halton County Council referred it back to the Finance Committee for consideration, at a postponed meeting held at the Court-house last Friday. The regular meeting was to have been held on Tuesday, but owing to a sitting of the Supreme Court, it was held over several days.

Following a motion presented by A. E. Whitaker, reeve of Oakville, asking that the fees be increased, Warden Norman Craig suggested that the finance committee, and any such increase meet its approval before being brought before the Council.

The council endorsed a resolution from Victoria County asking the Provincial government to pass legislation for destroying useless documents contained in county registry offices. Members felt that such a move would add greatly to available filing space for permanent documents, in the different offices throughout the province.

Clerk William Deans was authorized to prepare a by-law increasing the auditor's fee from \$300 to \$400. It was pointed out that the fee has remained the same for 15 years.

Approval was given to a recommendation of the Road Committee asking that all roads in front of schools in the county be sanded.

Alex. Wilson, Bronte, was appointed Weed Inspector, for 1947 at a salary of \$6 per day with a rider that his expenses not to exceed \$100 which would include mileage for his car.

Members gave approval to a request by the Ontario Provincial Police asking permission to install an aerial on top of the county buildings. In the near future a short wave radio system will be installed in all Provincial Police offices in the province, to facilitate law enforcement.

A contract to paint certain rooms in the county buildings was awarded to J. G. Farlow at \$95 and a grant of \$100 was made to the Halton Music Festival Association.

Council agreed to file a resolution from Wellington County, who were seeking to ask the Department of Highways to assume 75 per cent. of the cost of snow removal. Members felt that when the department were already paying 50 per cent. toward equipment they should be satisfied.

Accounts for the different committees approved and passed included:

County Buildings	\$ 737.47
Printing	164.63
Hospitalization	933.25
School Health	1.40
Education	11,000.00
County Roads	5,951.08
Finance	1,280.05

## Legion Carnival Drew Big Crowd on Friday Night

### Icelandia Group from Toronto Gave Many Items—Races Hockey, Costumes and Many Events

One of the largest crowds to attend such an event in Acton were present when Acton Branch of the Canadian Legion presented their ice carnival. It was a program that had everything on it and lasted for over three hours.

A group of about twenty-five skaters from Icelandia in Toronto gave a variety of fancy skating numbers which drew rounds of applause. There were solo skating events, pairs, trios, quartettes and the whole ensemble.

Folks saw midjet hockey in action that night when the Blues won from the Reds by 2-0. There was a clown band that filled in any moments that might have lagged, and provided lots of fun.

The Icelandia pins for best couple skating were won by Norma Marzo and Chas. Landsborough.

Gwendolyn Hoffman won the race for girls under 7 years; Lorraine Tyler for girls under 10 years and Carol Tyler for girls under 15 years. Miss Patsy Chew won the ladies' open race.

In the boys races Grant Withers took the under 10 years event and Edward McGilloy the under 15 years class. Harold Townsley won the girls open race.

Best girl's comic costume was won by Ruth Landsborough; best lady's costume, Doris Palmer; best boy's comic, Pat Smith and best gent's costume Mr. Chas. Landsborough, best advertising costume, Mrs. Kirby, advertising Mason Knitting Co., Ltd.

Daredevil Wilson gave an exhibition of barrel jumping when he cleared hurdles of five and six barrels and put a thrill in spectators with his performance.

The arena was in carnival dress for the occasion and the Legion are to be congratulated on the success of the event. Programs were distributed to all visitors giving names of the Icelandia artists in each of their eighteen events and R. M. Aylsworth, at the microphone, kept the audience posted on the events and winners.

Lucky door prizes were won by John Ford and Mrs. Stuart Lantz.

Time did not permit staging all the items planned for the carnival. The broomball feature and the mossing dance had to be withdrawn owing to lack of time.

## Fatal Accident on Mill St. when Six-Year-Old Killed

### Little Thomas Leslie Doby in Collision with Construction Truck When Going Home from School on Tuesday Noon—Whole Community Shocked by Tragedy Which Breaks a Little Family of Three

roadway when the collision occurred. The driver and Mrs. Fred Cleave who witnessed the accident from her home state there was no chance to swerve on account of other children on the street at the time. The brakes which were tested after the accident were reported in good condition and the driver estimates his speed at the time at fifteen miles per hour.

Harold Agnew, driver of the vehicle was overcome by the shock of the accident and required medical attention and assistance before leaving the scene. Provincial Constable Ray Mason assisted in investigating the accident. The high snow banks on the roadside no doubt obscured the vision of the little lad when he attempted the crossing.

The whole community was shocked by the tragedy that has come to this Acton home. In their deep trouble Mr. and Mrs. Doby and their children Lawrence, aged five and Leslie Anne, aged two years and the relatives have the sympathy of the whole community. Tommy was in his second year at Acton Public School, a pupil in Grade I. He was a bright active little fellow and beloved by his school mates. His father served with the R. C. A. F. in the last war and spent three years overseas. It has not yet been decided if any inquest will be held.

The funeral was held this (Thursday) afternoon with service at St. Alban's Church and interment in Fairview Cemetery.

## THE GREEN-HUNTER WEDDING IN TORONTO CHAPEL

On Saturday, February 15th, in St. Michael's Chapel, Toronto, the wedding was solemnized of June Elizabeth (Betty) Hunter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunter of Acton and Eugene Green, son of Mrs. S. Keith of Toronto. Rev. Fr. T. McCann officiated.

The bride wore a blue suit with black accessories and corsage of roses. Her attendant, Miss Geraldine Tyers wore a grey suit with black accessories and corsage of pink roses. Mr. Albert Gagnon was groomsmen.

A wedding reception was held after the ceremony at the Eaton Hotel. The young couple will take up residence in Georgetown.

## TO-NIGHT'S GAME COULD DECIDE FINALS IN INTERMEDIATE SERIES

On the first round of the Group 5 Intermediate play-offs, Orangeville has eliminated Fergus in two straight games, the first one by an 8-6 score and the second game last night in Fergus by 6-1.

Acton has won the first game from Elora 6-2 and plays the second game to-night in Elora. A win would mean the group finals next week between Orangeville and Acton. A loss will mean another game with the goal scoring.

### PART JOB

Foreman: "Where have you been?"  
Employee: "Getting my hair cut."  
Foreman: "On the company's time?"  
Employee: "It grew on the company's time, didn't it?"  
Foreman: "Not all of it."  
Employee: "Well, I didn't get all of it cut, either."

## Coming Events

Announcements and Meetings, Conventions, or other Events, under the heading, are charged, to each per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of 30.

St. Patrick's Dance, Friday, March 14th, Town Hall, Acton. Bob Martin and His Orchestra. Admission 50c. Auxiliae Scout and Guide Mothers.

Acton Teen-Agers Club first big night, Friday, February 28th at the Y.M.C.A. Hobbies and special interest groups start 7:30 p.m. Dancing starts 9:00 p.m.

Acton Junior Farmers' Hockey Club are holding a progressive euchre in Lorne School, Friday, March 7. Lucky door prize. Luncheon served. Admission 25c.

### Scene of Tuesday's Fatal Accident

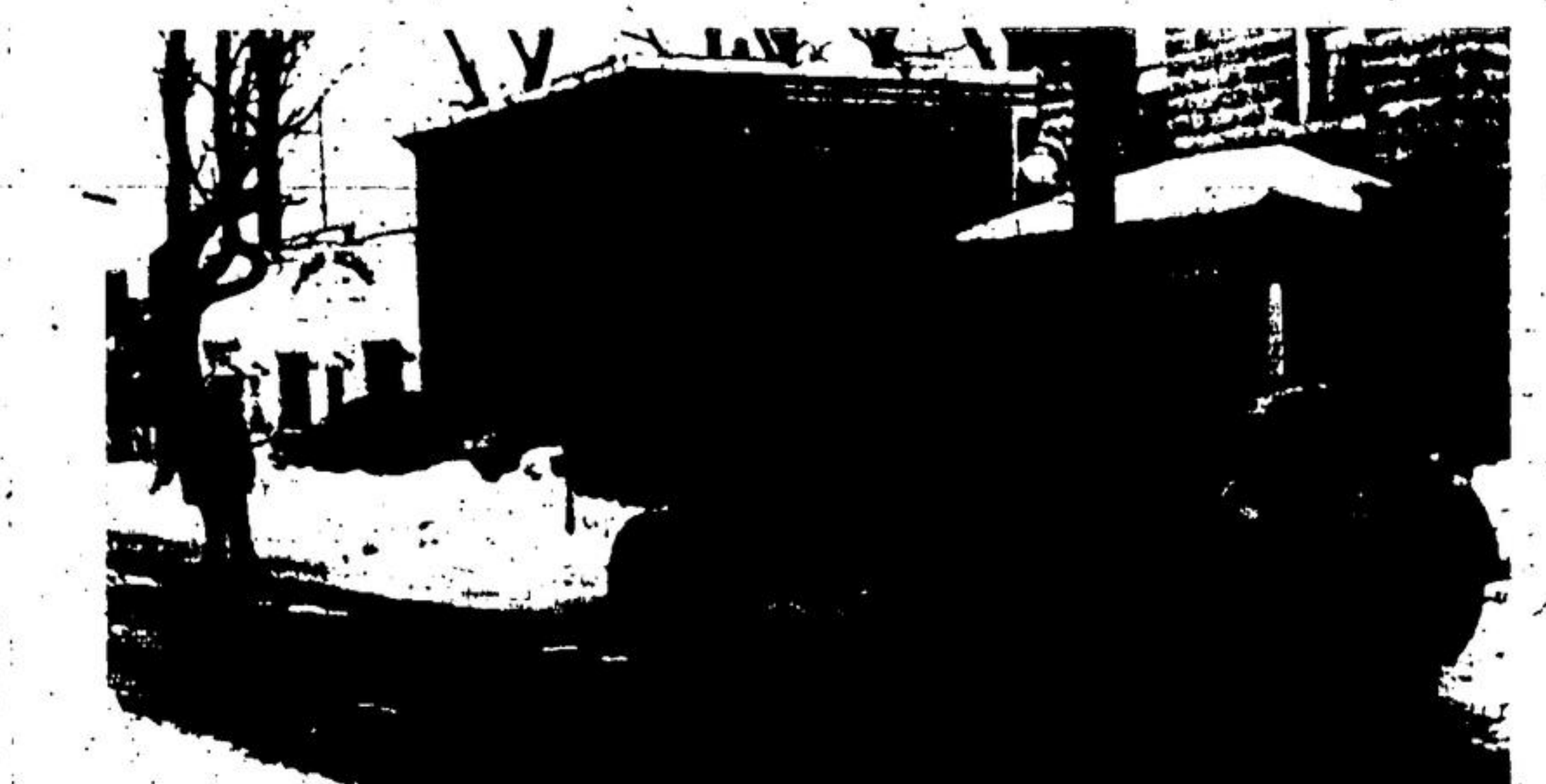


Photo shows the scene of Tuesday's accident in Acton when six-year-old Tommy Doby was instantly killed. Shown is the truck involved in the accident where it was stopped after the impact and Provincial Constable Ray Mason points to the spot at which the body was picked up after the impact. The intersection of Wilbur and Mill Streets is just a few feet beyond.