

Editorial Page

Commendable Cleanup; Fortunate Area

The ice is still with us as we write this comment on Monday but there appears to be an end in sight.

While the town and area has certainly suffered the ravages of the three ice storms we have been more fortunate than many of our northern neighbors.

Indeed, when we hear reports of electricity off for days, dozens of homes without heat and hundreds of telephones out of order we can be extremely thankful.

While we're being thankful though, we do want to take our hats off to the hydro, telephone and municipal employees who have been putting in many hours to repair or maintain the very necessary services.

Lack of hydro can be very frustrating as well as uncomfortable. Last Thursday for instance the pages of the Free Press were ready to run but an ill-timed hydro interruption stalled the actual printing. We were thankful to see the hydro flicker on again without any serious delay in the weekly publication.

Dinner's have been interrupted, heat has been eliminated in some cases but so far the interruptions have not been as serious in this town as further north.

Perhaps we can say we live in a part of the country blessed by the fact it seems to be south of the heavy snow belt. We hesitate to make too big an issue of this though with the winter still far from completion.

Naturally it is hoped there will be some relief from the icing condition to allow workmen to get services back to normal. Not only that, they deserve a little more sleep and perhaps a few days off. Fixing wires or clearing snow from streets can be very chilling work.

Incidentally in these days of "rush and run" there is no doubt a cup of coffee for pole crews working in your area would be appreciated.

Hats off to those who are working "round the clock" to keep us in business and comfortable at home.

Due Long Ago

We don't look on the planned granting of the vote to the Indians as something about which we should crow. Actually it should have been done long ago.

First word of the plan to grant the vote to Indians without requiring them to waive their treaty rights was in the speech from the throne.

As the law now stands, an Indian has to waive his rights as an Indian to vote in a federal election. They can vote in provincial elections without such a waiver, but of course many believe that if they do they would lose their right.

Naturally the plan meets mixed reactions. E. P. Garlow, chief councillor of the Six Nations elected council, which represents 7,500 Indians—the largest band in Canada—terms the announcement "a happy message for our people."

Out in Alberta the leader of the 18,500 Indians said they were absolutely opposed

to getting the vote. They want no change made in the Indian legislation until after presentation to the Dominion Government of a brief now being prepared. He expressed concern that at the present time Indians do not know what extension of the vote implies.

Manitoba Indian leaders greeted the announcement with mixed reactions, all cautiously anxious to know that the vote does not deprive them of their treaty rights.

Naturally such an announcement is likely to cause some concern until it is made particularly clear. The Throne speech announcement does not spell out the details. It is not meant to.

Without resorting to flights of imagery portraying these as descendants of the pioneers of the country we do think there should be an early granting of the federal vote to the Indians without impairment of their treaty rights.

A Gratifying Increase

It is gratifying to note that 90 per cent. of motor vehicle owners in Ontario now carry liability insurance.

The Hon. John Yaremko, Q.C., Minister of Transport noted recently that this is a 15 per cent. increase in the number of insured motorists in the two years that the \$5.00 fee has been collected from the uninsured for the Unsatisfied Judgment Fund.

Probably everyone has heard the story of the uncanny man who decided it was cheaper to pay the extra \$5.00 fee when buying his yearly license, than pay the insurance premium on his car. To those who may still think the same words of caution issued by the Minister of Transport may have a message. "If you are unable to pay a claim against you for damages arising out of an accident, you risk losing everything you own—including your home, your car, your savings and your future earnings. The \$5.00 additional fee does not give those who are required to pay any protection. It is credited to a special government fund used to pay judgments against uninsured motorists. The unin-

sured motorist must repay the fund the amount paid out for him and is prohibited from owning or operating a motor vehicle until he can do so."

This explanation is a clarifying one. It points out once again that the extra \$5.00 payment made by the uninsured driver does not provide him with insurance. It is quite simply his contribution to protect the uninsured driver who was thoughtful enough to protect other motorists without government prodding.

New license plates have been on sale since January 4 and in recent years the first issued final date has been left without change. Long line-ups will only be avoided this year at the March 16 deadline by those who purchase their plates and drivers' licenses in the days well in advance of the deadline.

We're pleased to see that 90 per cent. of the motor vehicle owners in Ontario have been interested enough in their own protection, as well as in the protection of those whose property they may destroy to protect them with liability insurance.

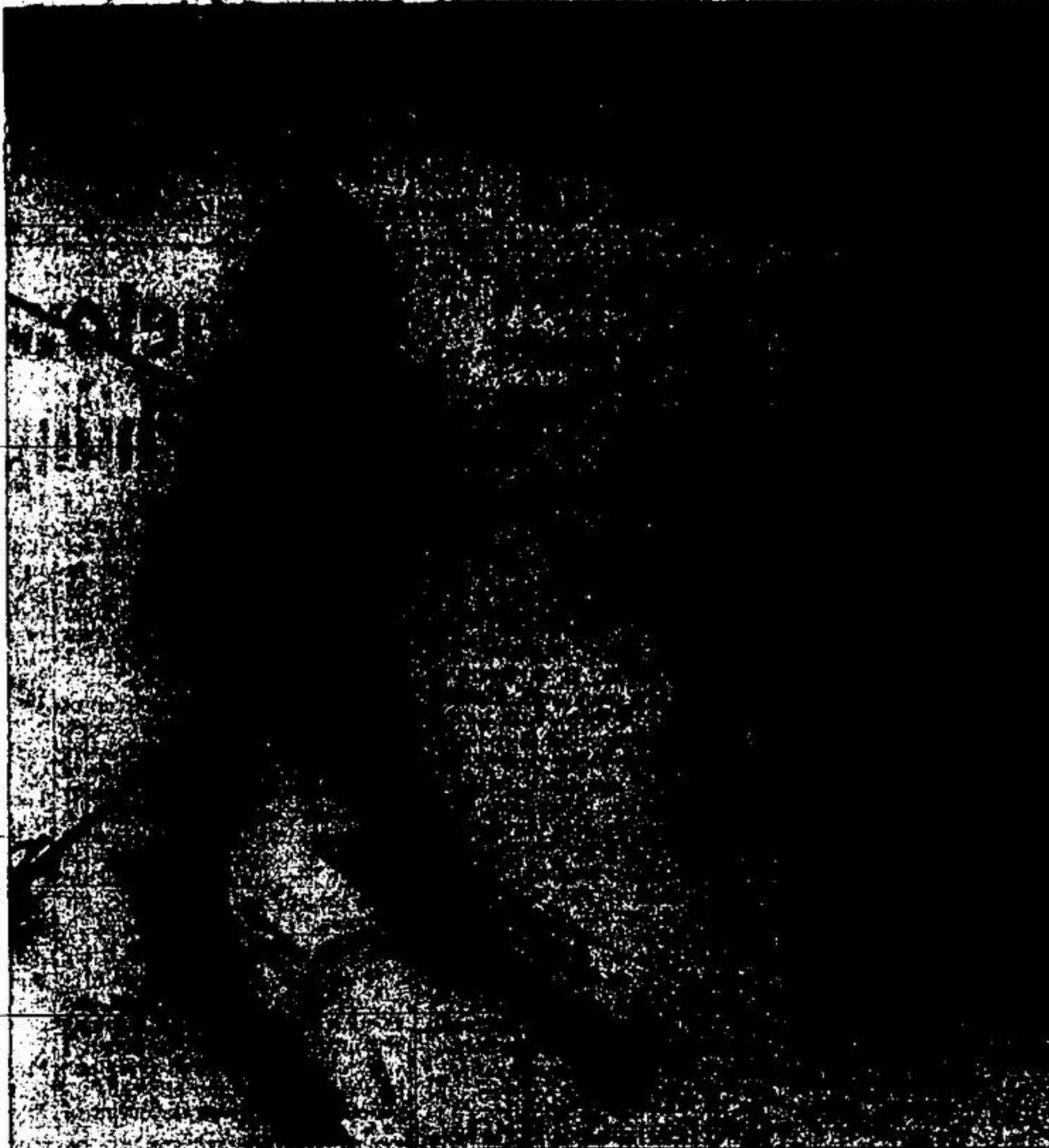
Opinions of Others

STEADY GROWTH
For a community the size of Orangeville sure but steady growth is a better situation than the type of spectacular development experienced by a number of towns and cities. Growth of that type has taxed school, sewage and other services beyond reasonable capacity.

Orangeville (Ont.) Banner
LURID COVERS
Laws for the control of advertising are already of a prevailing nature of this continent. We would like to suggest that the

time is far past due when such controls should be extended to another specific form of advertising—the covers of magazines and of books. —Cochrane (Ont.) Northland Post
Melfort (Sask.) Journal

MAY BE OUR FAULT
By refusing to lower your headlights for an approaching car, whether or not the other driver dims his, you are blinding him. . . . Don't ever think you are the only one being inconvenienced on the highway. —Pembina (Winkler, Man.) Triangle Progress



—Dept. of Travel and Publicity Photo

"Up the Ski Tow"

Sugar and Spice...

BY BILL SMILEY

Went to see a Tarzan movie with the kids the other night. I looked forward to the evening. I hadn't seen Tarzan in action for night onto 30 years.

Well, sir, it was like going back to see an old sweetheart after 30 years and finding the slim, pretty-when-turned into a gross, gap-toothed old bat in a soiled blouse.

I don't mind telling you, I came out of that theatre shocked, bewildered and disillusioned. No experience in recent years has so explicitly confirmed my creeping suspicion that the world is going to the dogs.

Now, I was not so naive as to think I'd be seeing the same Tarzan as the one of my childhood, or that the story would not be jazzed up a bit for the hard-eyed little hooligans who haunt the movie houses today. But this Tarzan was no more like the one I watched in my salad days than Marilyn Monroe is like Mickey Rooney.

Tarzan was an influence of almost overwhelming dimensions when I was a kid. We read all the Tarzan books. Every Saturday afternoon at the matinee, we saw two reels of a Tarzan serial that left us limp with excitement and fear, as our hero struggled in the coils of an anaconda, or went tumbling over a mile-high cliff as the episode ended. But we didn't worry all week until next

Saturday. We knew he'd beat the rap.

I dreamed about him. I suffered innumerable contusions and sprains trying to swing through a maple tree the way he swung through the trees of the jungle. In the privacy of the Sandpit, I practised calling the apes as he did. Before going to sleep at night, I fought my way silently but indomitably, through hordes of black warriors, with nothing but my knife and a last-minute assist from Tantor the Elephant.

My Tarzan was a mature man, with craggy features, wearing a shaggy animal's skin, his straight black hair falling almost to his shoulders. The Tarzan in this movie the other night, was a baby-faced pretty-boy wearing a tailored leopard skin, and he had OIL on his carefully-curled hair.

My Tarzan swung through the jungle from tree to tree, in great, swooping arcs that had your heart in your throat with envy. This jerk the other night made only one swing on a vine, a little hop of about fourteen feet.

My Tarzan was a friend of most of the animals in the jungle. But he didn't hesitate to stab an ordinary lion to death, or crack the neck of an overly goryilla. This beach athlete the other night couldn't kill anything but people, and he shot at them with

arrows, from behind a tree, if you can believe it. I blushed for him.

My Tarzan was a simple, proud man. He couldn't even speak English. When he was with the girl, she'd try to teach him. The words would be flashed on the screen. She'd say: "Me Jane. You Tarzan." And he'd repeat: "Me Jane. You Tarzan." And she'd giggle prettily and say: "No, Me Jane. You Tarzan." And he'd finally get it.

But he really wasn't interested in girls, and at that time, neither were we kids. We'd scuffle and grab each other's hats and horse around under the "love" part was over, and our hero was back in action, churning across the river, with the crocodiles snapping at his heels, and us sitting on the edge of our seats, teeth and fists clenched, pulling up our heels in sympathy.

This locker-room bum the other night was simple enough, but he wasn't proud. He had about as much dignity as Elvis. Instead of striding through the jungle as though he owned it, he skulked around like a juvenile delinquent looking for an old man to beat up.

But what got me was the plot. In the old Tarzan films, animals were killed, but only in self defence, or for food. In this epic we saw the other night, there were no less than five horrible deaths, all people. One got an arrow through the heart. A beautiful girl was impaled on stakes in a pit. Another fellow was pushed down a mine shaft. A fourth was shoved over a cliff and landed flat on his back on a rock. Even young Kim, case-hardened by many a Saturday afternoon of cowboys and Indians cutting each other down, flinched at the sight of a man stumbling into quicksand and sinking, screaming horribly, out of sight.

In my day, the movie-makers didn't have to rig up trouble like that for Tarzan's enemies. He took care of it himself. There he'd be, tied to a stake, the native warriors dancing around him, shaking torches in his face. Old Tarz would just rare back, bellow his ape call, and in a few minutes, hundreds of his brother-apes would pour over the palisades and chase the black fellows, while a horde of his elephant friends trampled down the whole Watasi village.

Maybe I'm just getting cranky and old. But when savagery and vigorous violence are replaced by sadism and psychopaths, I think it's time the "crocodiles" finally caught up to Tarzan, and finished him off, once and for all.

Car Strikes Pole Area Driver Unhurt

A car driven by Miss Josephine Tischer of R.R. 2, Acton received \$250 damage Wednesday evening of last week when it hit a pole on Highway 7 after sliding off the road and into the ditch. Miss Tischer was uninjured.

Const. Ray Andrews reported the accident happened on Highway 7 just south of McCullough's Corners.

THIS SUNDAY'S CHURCH CALENDAR

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA
KNOX CHURCH, ACTON
Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie, B.A., B.D.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1960
9:45 a.m.—Church School
10:00 a.m.—Bible Class (15 & 25 years)
11:00 a.m.—Morning—Worship Theme: "The Beneficial Disturbance"
Junior congregation (13-17) meets during sermon. Presbytery children cared for at the manse during the service.

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75 Cook St., phone 648-W

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1960
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
7:30 p.m.—Evanagelists
Tuesday 8 p.m.—Bible Study and Prayer
Thursday 8 p.m.—Christmas Ambassadors
You Are Always Welcome

BAPTIST CHURCH ACTON
Pastor: Rev. Gordon M. Holmes, B.A., B.Th.
115 Bower Avenue

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1960
9:45 a.m.—Church School
11:00 a.m.—Public Worship
7:00 p.m.—This Man Receiveth Sinners (First in the series on "When Propaganda" Backfired)
Wednesday evening—Prayer meeting
All Are Welcome

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
Acton, Ontario
Rev. Gordon Adams, M.A., B.D., Minister
Mr. George Elliott
Organist and Choir-Master

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1960
Services in the Y.M.C.A.
9:00 a.m.—Morning Prayer
10:00 a.m.—Sunday school for all ages
11:15 a.m.—Holy Baptism
Children under 5 years cared for in the nursery at the 11:15 a.m. service only

THE CHURCH OF ST. ALBAN THE MARTYR
ANGELICAN
Rector: The Rev. H. B. Stokroff, L.Th., S.T.B.
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The Third Sunday after the Epiphany
SUNDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1960
8:30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist
9:30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist and Church School
11:00 a.m.—Maltins
MID-WEEK CELEBRATION
Monday, 25 January, 1960
Convergence of Saint Paul—10 a.m., Holy Eucharist; 8 p.m., Annual Vestry meeting.
All Are Welcome

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301 Queen St., Box 46, Phone 608

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1960
10:00 a.m.—English
2:30 p.m.—Dutch
The Church of the Back to God Hour

THE GOOD OLD DAYS

BACK IN 1910

Taken from the issue of the Free Press, Thursday, January 27, 1910
Frank Smith, who was so severely scalded when he slipped into a hemlock bark leach at Beardmore's sole leather tannery a week ago last Monday, succumbed to his terrible injuries at the Guelph General Hospital on Sunday night.

Acton won the first hockey game of the year in the Halton-Feel league on Wednesday evening in the Acton rink when they defeated the Georgetown team 6-2. The local lads appeared to have the upper hand throughout the tussle and kept the puck for the most part of the game inside the Georgetown line.

Acton's first score came early in the first part of the game and was followed by a series of tallies throughout the game. In spite of the score, the game was clean, which is remarkable for these two teams. Few penalties were given by Richard Blain of Brampton, who refereed.

Saturday's big snow storm, accompanied by the gale, blocked the local and rural roads for quite a few days recently. Farmers wishing to walk the largest part of the way as the snow was too deep to take a chance with the teams. Most of the sturdy men used snowshoes and humped their groceries in a sack over their back.

The disagreement between the senior and junior hockey clubs came to a climax Friday morning when three teams and a score of men employed by Messrs. Beardmore and Co. arrived at the rink. The premises were completely demolished. The waiting rooms and platforms were removed, the fences torn down, posts uprooted and wiring taken out. Nothing was left but the ice.

This action not only obliterates the hockey but will deprive all the young folks of the privilege of skating for the balance of this year at least. Citizens are enquiring why the firm mentioned took such drastic action and it might be explained that Messrs. Beardmore and Co. had presented a bill of \$800 for lumber and labor which they claimed as only a share of operating the rink for the past three seasons.

BACK IN 1940

Taken from the issue of the Free Press, Thursday, January 25, 1940
The first shipment of bandages and first aid goods made up by the Acton and District Red Cross Society left the headquarters in the government building and was shipped to the main headquarters for distribution elsewhere.

The Force bowling team ran their consecutive winning streak to 12 straight games when they took three games from Printers for a 7-0 win Tuesday night in the first half of a double header.

Acton Tanners hockey club defeated the Paris team, 10-4 on Monday night after the Black Hawks took an early lead. Later in the first period, the Acton boys hit their stride and from there on, Vic Rumley had the players answering every command.

The local players, outskated and outsmarted the Paris team throughout the game and in spite of a small turnout of spectators those present witnessed a fast game of hockey. Mooney was missing from the game, having injured his ankle in a tilt with Kitchener last week.

Miss M. Z. Bennett was guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Greenock Literary Society last Friday evening and told of her recent visit to the New England States. The speaker gave a vivid and interesting outline of the history, customs and various occupations of the people of New Hampshire and Cape Cod. President Evelyn Pearen was in charge of the meeting and several of the members took part in the program with musical selections.

Roads were blocked for a few days last week but the huge plows soon had traffic moving freely again. In the rural area, bulldozers and graders were called in to buck the heavy drifting snow.

Evidence that the housewives of Acton and district are vitally interested in their homes and preparation of meals was to be found Tuesday when the town hall was filled for the Hydro Cooking Forum. The event was sponsored locally by the Public Utilities Commission and the electric dealers and arranged by the Ontario Hydro.

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