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BRILL'S BRAVES SCALPED

In last week's Herald your scribe quoted: "If Brill's Braves use their heads and not their fists, they will still win the group finals." Unquote — They didn't, and they didn't.

Wednesday afternoon prior to the second game in Acton at night, the board of strategy surrounded by the latest tomes of rapid calculation, Einstein's theory of relativity, charts, compasses and a barber shop copy of Esquire, worked out a plan for the Braves to overcome the six goal deficit by Acton's 8-2 win in the first game.

Their deductions seemed as though they would work, for in desperation the local lads tore into action from the drop of the puck, and in valiant fashion started slicing that six-goal handicap. Led by Hamilton and Inglis the Braves pressed the Juvenile Tanners into their own end and by the end of the first period had scored three goals without retaliation. It looked at this point as though we had another championship team in town.

Full of confidence as the second period started, once more the Braves tore into the opposition and within two minutes of play they slid the biscuit into the Acton twine for No. 4 of the game, and only two down on the round. Then disaster struck. Instead of tearing into action they tore into Acton. Huffman for the Braves was ordered to the sin bin for slashing and Norton followed almost immediately for tripping. That did it. Acton cut loose, and in fast succession flipped in two goals to take all steam out of the Braves.

From this point on referee "Bungy" Ward's thumb was busier than a hitch-hiker's. Fights broke out spasmodically and the "cooler" was seldom unoccupied thereafter. The second period ended 5-4 for Acton.

The third period was a replica of the second, and it was definitely Acton's game as they went on to win the game 10-5, and the series 18-7.

Acton has a powerful team, and this corner sincerely hopes that they go a long way in their bid for the Juvenile championship.

A handshake also to Jack Cotton for sponsoring the Brill's Braves. It takes a lot of time and money to sponsor one of these teams, and we hope he comes back next season with another entry. It gives the kid real experience to play outside teams and builds our hockey greats of tomorrow. Nice going, Jack, and with an earlier start next season we feel you will come up with a winner.

PAPER UNION LOCALS CONFER HERE

A meeting of the local union delegates of the Paper Union of Ontario was held at the Hotel St. James, Georgetown, on Tuesday evening, Feb. 23rd. The delegates from the various local unions were: Bro. Roy Norton (local 474, Alliance), Bro. Duncan East, and George Louth (local 475, Provincial Paper), Bro. Ern Hyde and Thomas Parry (local 481, Provincial Coasting).

Niagara district delegates were Bro. E. H. Cartmell and R. McKeon, local 290, Thorold; Bro. R. Hall, local 291, Merriton; Bro. J. Logan, local 368, Thorold.

TERRA COTTA

Master Beverly Eaves met with a painful accident recently while staying with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hill, here. He stumbled and fractured his leg in two places and was taken to Guelph Hospital and had the injured limb set. He is getting along as well as can be expected and we hope he will soon be able to be around again as usual.

Mr. Norrie, our enterprising quarryman, has been making some decided improvements to his quarry on the mountain. He had a bulldozer in excavating the road and had the road straightened which should make a decided improvement to the quarry.

A number of our citizens are laid up with colds at present.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. C. Price is on the sick list at present and hope soon to learn of her complete recovery.

Mr. Jim Emerson has had a very successful operation at Christie Street Hospital in Toronto and his many friends here hope soon to see his smiling face in our hamlet once more.

Mr. C. Shepherd reports having had his house ransacked one day last week but luckily very little booty was missing.

Some of our citizens have seen robins and crows in the vicinity.

GEORGE MUNN WAS LIFE-LONG RESIDENT

A life-long resident of Georgetown where he was born sixty-five years ago, George Albert Munn passed away after a lengthy illness in Guelph General Hospital on Sunday, February 15th. He was the son of the late William Munn and Sarah Johnstone.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Annie Matthews and two nieces, Mrs. A. E. Chalke and Miss Beulah Matthews, all of Georgetown.

Rev. R. C. Todd conducted the funeral services from the McClore Funeral Home on Wednesday. Pall bearers were Thomas E. Lyons, William Marshall, Matthew Armstrong, Albert Chalke, Thomas Warnes and Donald Jourdain. Interment was in Greenwood Cemetery, Georgetown.

Mrs. J. G. Stringer had her fingers badly burned with hot wax while working in the Smith and Stone plant at Georgetown.

Skunks have been seen around here last week. Another harbinger of spring, eh!

Mr. C. Eaves of Toronto was a pleasant visitor here last week.

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STATEMENT

OF

Respective Functions of The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario and the Municipal Hydro Commissions, with Particular Reference to the Present Emergency.

In view of the apparent public misunderstanding of the respective functions of The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of the Province and the Municipal Hydro Commissions in the municipalities, this statement is made to clarify the situation.

The function of the Provincial Commission is to generate or buy electric power and to sell electric power to Municipal Commissions and directly to rural consumers and to certain industries.

The function of each Municipal Commission is to sell to its consumers within the municipality the electric power purchased from the Provincial Commission.

In practice, the Provincial Commission and the Municipal Commissions endeavour to co-operate with each other in the public interest.

By reason of lack of rainfall last summer and autumn and by lack of thaws during the present winter, there has been a substantial depletion of the storage of water necessary to maintain a high level of continuous generation. The resulting loss of production of electric power has taken place in Ontario and elsewhere where power has been purchased both under contract and in excess of contract commitments by the Provincial Commission. This loss of production of electric energy has become so serious that certain of those who had contracts to supply the Provincial Commission with electric power have been compelled not only to withdraw the electric power they had been supplying in excess of contract commitments, but as well have been compelled to reduce delivery below contract requirements by a further reduction of 8,000,000 kilowatt-hours per week.

As long ago as December 15th, the Provincial Commission notified the Municipal Commissions and indicated to its direct consumers that, in addition to cuts already being applied to direct consumers, it was evident that, unless additional voluntary savings could be obtained, the Commission would be obliged to order the municipalities to reduce their loads from time to time by as much as 15 per cent or more. This notification was given for the express purpose of obtaining greater conservation of power and to enable each Municipal Commission to plan in advance the most equitable allocation of power within the municipality.

The Provincial Commission received notification that the most recent cut of power purchased under contract would be effective on Monday, February 16th. In order to make an equitable reduction of power delivery to all Municipal Commissions, it was necessary for the Provincial Commission to compute for each Municipal Commission the amount of reduction it would be called upon to absorb, after taking into account the amount of conservation already effected by each Municipal Commission since October, 1947. To enable the Provincial Commission to complete the necessary computations and to notify the majority of Municipal Commissions of the amount of reduction each would have to absorb by Wednesday, February 18th, it was necessary that a substantial reduction be placed in effect as of Monday, February 16th, so that there would be no risk of an actual power stoppage in deliveries by the Provincial Commission. To accomplish this, the Provincial Commission requested the Municipal Commissions of Toronto, Ottawa, Hamilton, London, Windsor and Peterborough to reduce their takings of electric power by specific amounts during specified times, and also requested these Municipal Commissions to, in the meantime, treat the request confidentially and not to give it to the press prior to the notification to all municipalities on Monday. This was done to avoid statements appearing which might have the effect of creating quite erroneous impressions of the amount of reduction necessary in each particular municipality throughout the Province.

In relation to the allocation of power, each Municipal Commission was faced with entirely different considerations to how available power would be allocated within each municipality. For this reason, it was not feasible for the Provincial Commission by a general statement to indicate to the consumers in any particular municipality the allocation of available power that would be made by the Municipal Commissions.

The Provincial Commission is delivering to the Municipal Commissions and to its direct consumers all the electric power it is able to generate or buy.

It is the function of each Municipal Commission to determine not only the allocation of power among its consumers, but also what public explanation may be desirable in relation thereto.

THE HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER COMMISSION OF ONTARIO