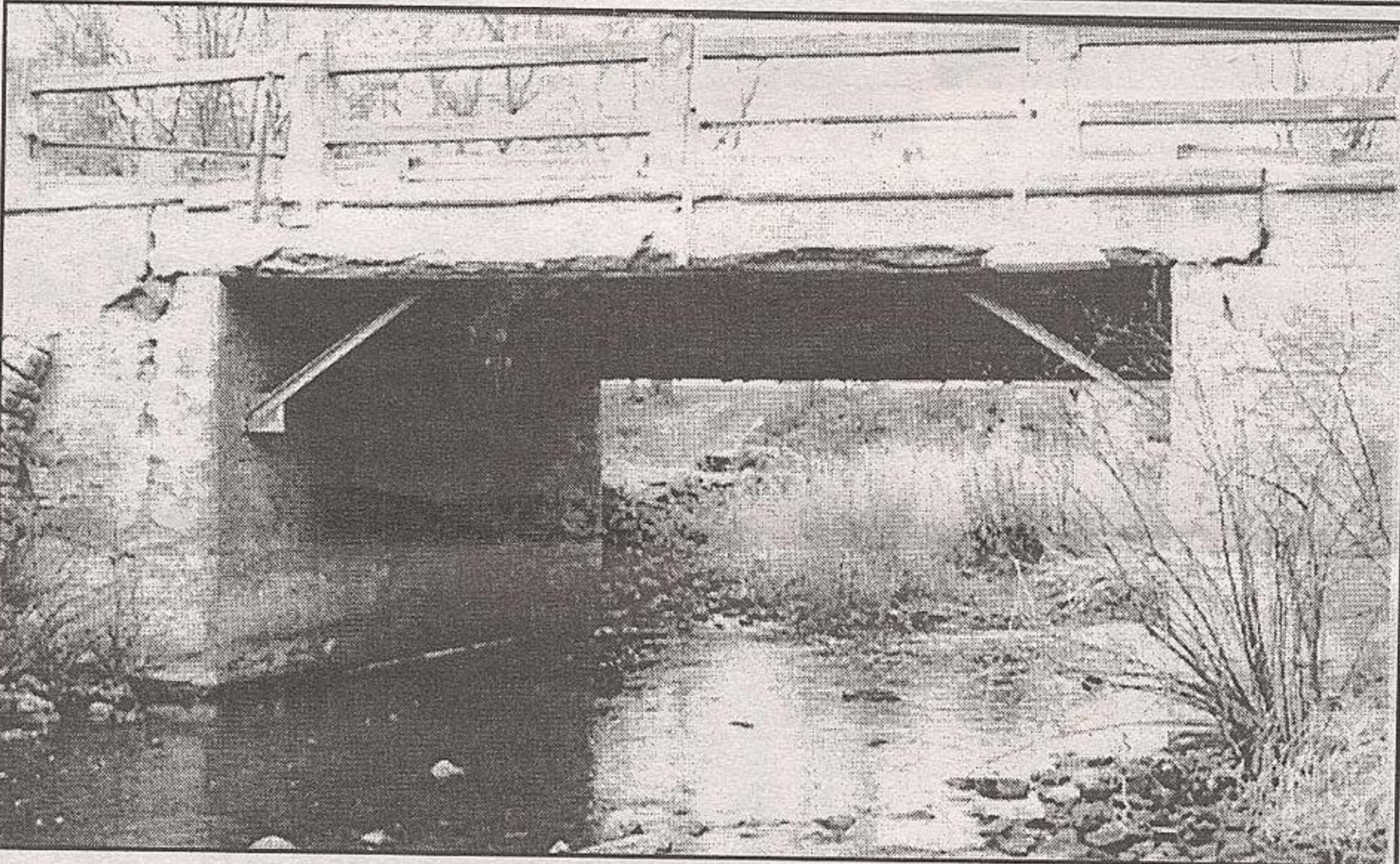
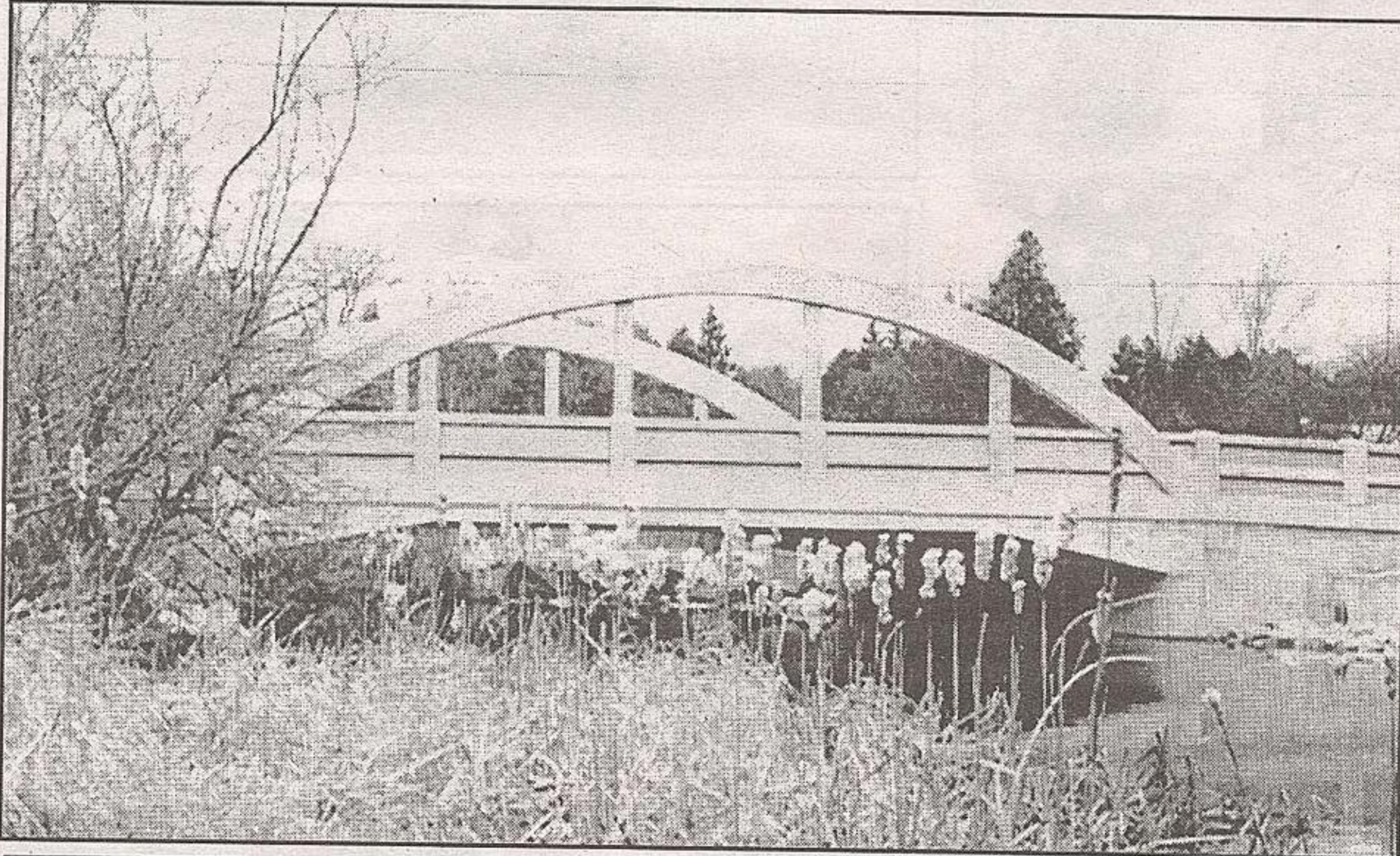
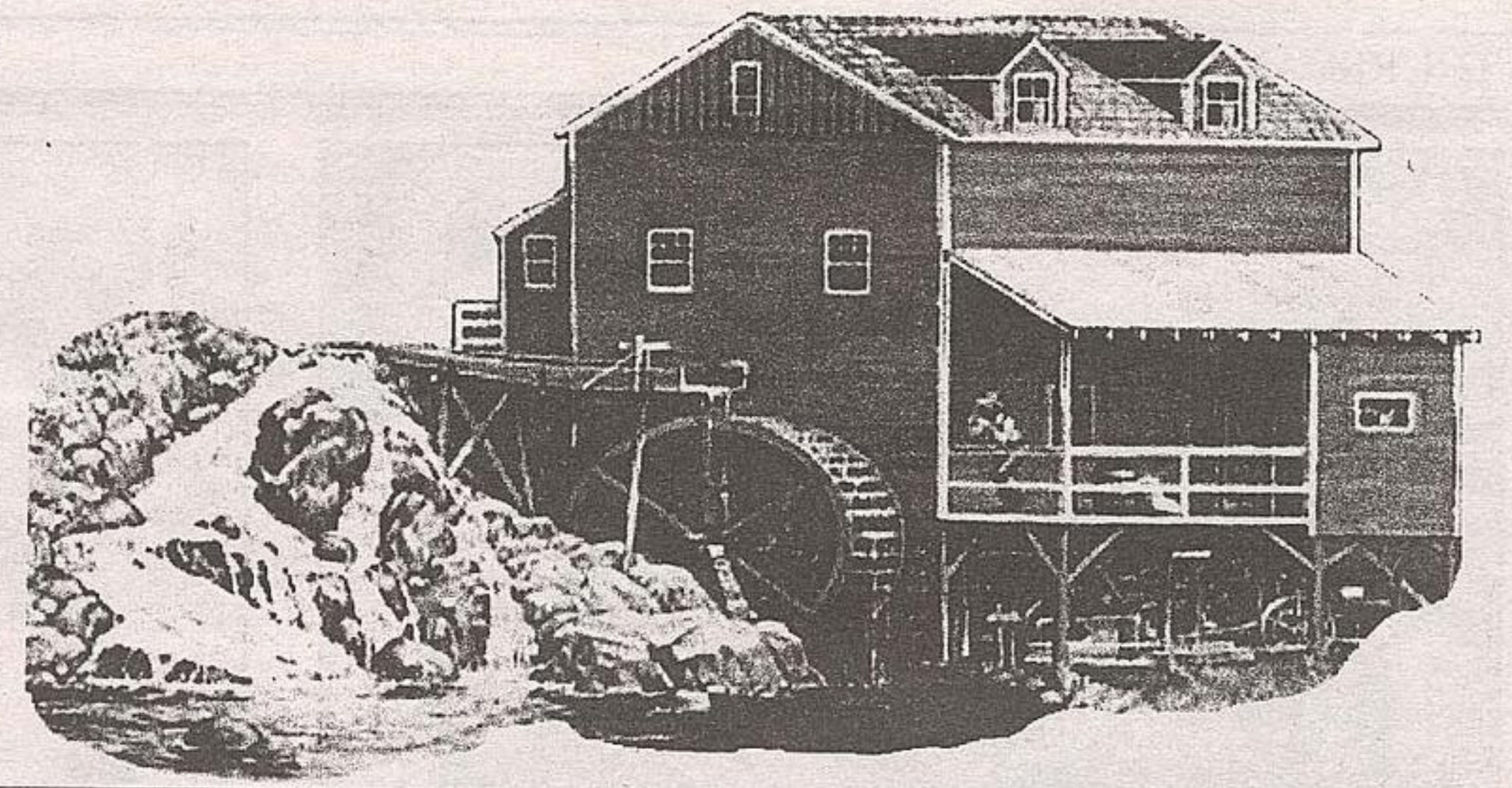


The Rockwood MILLER



BRIDGES OVER TROUBLED WATER: The new Bowstring bridge in Eden Mills will get a final layer of asphalt in the spring but the village's bridge troubles are not over as the nearby mill pond bridge also needs to be replaced. — Frances Niblock photos

Eden Mills bridge woes continue with second span

By FRANCES NIBLOCK
The Rockwood Miller

Bridge replacement talk has not ended in Eden Mills despite the recent opening of the new Bowstring Bridge across the Eramosa River in the centre of the village.

While the decade-long fight by some in the village to save the heritage Bowstring Bridge is over, the mill pond bridge on the other side of the river, known to Township officials as Bridge 82, is in rough shape.

"Well, you might as well

say replacement when you talk about these bridges because most of the five need replacement and not rehab," said Eramosa Township Supervisor of Public Works Fred Pierce in an interview on Tuesday.

"I can't say that Bridge 82 is in any worse shape than the other four on that list. We've installed a beam underneath the bridge to shore it up and put up a guard-rail to keep cars away from the sidewalk but those are temporary measures," Pierce said, adding there's a 14-tonne weight restriction on the bridge.

Pierce said the multi-million dollar, long-range bridge replacement and rehabilitation plans is one of the items the new Guelph Eramosa Township council will have to deal with when it takes office in January. There are 20 bridges in the new Guelph Eramosa Township and one-quarter of them are on the immediate replacement list.

"It'll take a number of years before all this work will be done. We don't get any money for roads and bridges from the province any more, so it will be taxpayer money that pays for these new bridges," Pierce said.

Mohawk to host race series

The Hambletonian Society announced this week that nearby Mohawk Raceway will be one of two tracks to host the Breeders Crown for the next five years. Harness racing's divisional championship series, Mohawk will share it with Meadowlands in New Jersey.

Mohawk, situated in nearby Campbellville will host the 2- and 3-year-old pacing and trotting races during the final weekend of October in 1999. It's worth \$3.9 million. Both events will be back to Mohawk the following year.

ROCKWOOD DIGEST

Brush Award winner

Former Acton resident and performing artist Kim Renders, is the 1998 winner of the H. K. Brush Award, an annual cash prize to performing artists in Halton and Wellington to help them develop their careers.

Renders, now of Fergus, has worked as a writer, director, designer and actor in theatres across Canada. Renders recently directed and acted in the community play *All Over The Map*.

Herbs for pets

The use of household herbs to keep pets healthy and

well was the focus of a recent seminar at the Royal Botanical Gardens featuring local vet, Dr. Karen Kopinak. Dr. Kopinak, a self-employed Acton-Rockwood area veterinarian who deals mostly with horses, dogs and cats, said she began treating animals with herbs about 15 years ago.

"It (using herbs) adds more tools to what you can use to treat animals," Kopinak said, adding she was wary of saying any more because of Ontario Veterinary Association advertising constraints.

Atom tourney

Acton Atoms are 'B' champions

Two ties and a close win were enough to capture the "B" championship for the Acton Tanners ProPlastex Minor Atoms at a recent tournament in Cobourg.

Acton tied Ajax 1-1 in the first game with a goal from Michael Bentley from a Garrett Williams pass. Acton tied Erindale 2-2 in

game 2 with goals from Braden Artem and Greg Henry. Daniel Woolford and Greg Henry had assists along with Fellows.

Shaun Harkley's sudden-death overtime goal from Artem clinched the championship with a 4-3 win over host Cobourg. The teams were tied 3-3 at the end

of regular play with goals from Fellows and Williams and Bentley. Assists went to Artem, Woolford and Williams. Martin Saliba goal in the game against Erindale and shared goaltending duties in the game against Ajax.

Rep hockey

Juvies defeat Langton 6-3

ATOM

The Acton Tanners ProPlastex Minor Atoms dropped a close 4-3 away game to Guelph on Friday. Michael Bentley scored twice for Acton and Garrett Williams had a single goal and an assist.

Greg Henry scored two goals to help Proplastex to a 5-2 win over Guelph in an away game last Wednesday. Kyle Fellows scored twice and Williams had a single. Assists went to Daniel

Woolford (2), Braden Artem (2), Bentley and Fellows.

JUVENILES

Jim Corrigan scored twice and had an assist as the Acton Tanners Rotary Club Juveniles doubled visiting Langton 6-3 on Saturday. Both teams scored in each of the first two periods but Acton came on strong in the third and took the win. Robert Turpin opened the

scoring for Acton in the first period with help from Scott McIntyre and Brian McIntyre. Jason Pembleton scored in the second period with help from Derrick McIntyre to make it 2-1 and Langton scored to tie it up. Corrigan opened the third period with the first of his goals with help from Mike Kraus and Matt Boycott. Adam Petch, Trevor Malloy, and Corrigan scored with help from Malloy and Ryan Prueter.



FIVE-PIN BOWLERS: Members of the 1998/99 Acton Five-Pin Bowlers Association include: Carol Jordan (president), Cathie Ahearn, Darlene Labombard, Marie Gamble, Donald Constable and Ellen Piehl. Missing are Julie Watson, Wilf Gardner, Judy Mitchell, Pat Bonozew, Lorraine Hollywell and Jenn McClelland. - Submitted photo

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