

# Personals

Mrs. G. A. Dills and Francis visited friends in Toronto this week.

Mr. Ivan Kirkness, of Port Sydney, spent a couple of days at his home here.

Miss Margaret J. Macdonald, of Toronto, spent the week-end at her home here.

Mrs. (Rev.) J. W. McLeod, of Toronto, is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Kerr.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Bell, of St. Catharines, visited with Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Macdonald over the week-end.

Mr. John Mann left on Tuesday for Truro, N. S. after spending the past three months at his home here.

Reeve and Mrs. C. H. Harrison left on Saturday night on a trip to Vancouver and the Western Provinces.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorrington, of Alton, were guests over the week-end at the home of ex-Warden Mrs. A. A. Mason.

Miss Elsie Herder, of St. John's, Newfoundland, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Macdonald, Church Street.

The engagement is announced of Catherine Pearl, elder daughter of the late William McHenry and Mrs. McHenry, of Acton, to Stanley Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sinclair, of Erin. The marriage to take place early in April.

# Here and There

Vancouver is holding this year the Golden Jubilee celebration of its founding in 1886. Some of the features planned include sports events of all kinds, music, pageants, a special performance of Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream" in Stanley Park, a performance of "Hawaiana", an Indian village, a Hawaiian village, special decorations and illuminations all over Vancouver and celebrations will reach their peak in the first ten days of July.

At the annual Burns dinner held at the Empress Hotel, Victoria in February as which over 300 Burns lovers took part, the royal Scotch haggis was brought over from Vancouver and was carried in steaming hot on a silver platter by Miss Gwen Dewar and piped around the Empress dining room by Pipe-major Donald Cameron. Crochets were received from South Africa, Australia, the United States and London, England.

Stating emphatically that success depends on luck, Captain Charles M. Hudson, D.S.O., and Bar, R.N.R., commander of Q-boat for two years of the war, had a hard time convincing the Active Club International at Hotel Vancouver recently of the entire truth of the statement. They thought that skill, courage and foresight had something to do with success after hearing some of his adventures.

Recently the Royal York Hotel, Toronto held a Cherry Pie Contest wide open to everybody and gave ten prizes in order of merit and the good housewives of the Queen City were all agog. The judges of course had their work cut out for them—or may be they did a bit of cutting for themselves.

"It is a pity every British Columbia business man can not find it possible to visit the Far East, particularly Japan," said C. A. Cotterell, assistant general manager, British Columbia, for the Canadian Pacific Railway, just back from a trip to the Orient. Mr. Cotterell thought a visit would be an education, enlightening and of inestimable value in a practical sense.

Two prominent British residents in Kobe are fighting a losing battle against a sacred pine tree which they fear is about to fall on their residence, according to passengers arriving in Victoria recently on the Empress of Japan. They can't get it felled because it is believed if that is done, a pestilence will strike the district.

"The Canadian Pacific's biggest liner, the 42,500-ton Empress of Britain, to be designated 'cabin ship' following the abolition of 'First class' designation by the North Atlantic Conference, will continue in operation as a high class, high speed, de luxe liner," William Baird, steamship passenger traffic manager of the Canadian Pacific, said recently.

At one end of the Dominion the Eastern International Dog Sled Derby at Quebec, Feb. 29-32 hit the high spots in winter sport and at the other end was the Empress Golf Tournament at Victoria, February 17-22, both sponsored by the Canadian Pacific Railway and each showing the versatility of the Canadian climate, since both were indubitably and entirely successful.

Ski-ing has reached unprecedented levels this winter with an average of 5,000 skiers taking week-end trips from Montreal to nearby mountain resorts all season and with similar figures available from all over the Dominion.

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# Musical Festival Held This Week

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has 3 entries. Girls' High School solo has 2 entries, and one entry for cantabile solo. The boys' High School choir has one entry, from Milton and Burlington is entered for the High School orchestra contest.

On Saturday morning Mr. E. Brethour will be the adjudicator. At nine o'clock the girls' rural solo class of 31 entries will compete. Limehouse has 3 entries; Dublin 3; and No. 7, Naussagweya has one.

In the rural boys' solo, Limehouse has 3 entries and No. 7, Naussagweya, one contestant. There are 11 in the group.

Thirteen are entered for the girls' rural solo under 16 years, and from this district No. 6, Naussagweya, has 2 entries. Acton has two entries for the boys' violin solo, in a class of three. For boys' under 14 years solo, Acton School has 3 entries in the list of eleven.

On Saturday afternoon the urban girls' solo, under 14 years, has an entry of 16, and Acton School is represented by 4 contestants. In the urban boys' solo, under 13 years, Acton School has 2 entries in the class of 19.

Three schools, Milton, Acton and Burlington Central, will compete in the boys' 35-voice choir, at 3.30. In the forty-voice two-part choir, the same three schools and Oakville Central make up an entry of four choirs.

The concluding event will be the sixty voice choir, with Acton, Milton and Burlington Central competing.

Acton school has thirty-seven entries in the various parts of the Festival. Of course a number of these are choirs, and the number of pupils participating from here will be about 125.

# CORONET TO DECORATE 1937 AUTO MARKERS

Ontario motor vehicle markers for 1937 will have the imprint of a coronet. Background of the plates will be military scarlet and the lettering white. The scheme carries out coronation colors. The plates are being made by Ontario Reformatory inmates at Guelph.

# CANADIAN RETAIL SALES UP

Retail sales in Canada during 1934 amounted in value to \$1,942,480,000, compared with \$1,758,570,000 in 1933, a gain of 9.4 per cent. Salaries and wages paid to employees engaged in retail trade increased from \$179,847,000 to \$189,187,000. These wage figures include payments made to both full-time and part-time employees, but they do not include the compensation of proprietors actively engaged in their own stores. Stocks on hand, at cost or replacement value, in all retail stores at the end of 1934 amounted to \$389,067,000, an increase of 0.8 per cent. over the amount reported at the end of the preceding year.



Benito Mussolini, Premier of Italy

# Sulphur Finds Way Into Many Lines of Industry

Sulphuric acid in the life blood of chemical industry. It is used wherever a cheap, strong acid is required, which takes in about every branch of the business. Its biggest use is in the manufacture of artificial fertilizers of both the ammonia and the phosphate varieties. Next comes the petroleum industry, where it is used to wash impurities out of the oil; then the iron and steel business, which uses large amounts of it to clean metal surfaces.

A large part of the sulphur not needed for sulphuric acid is used in making paper and rayon, writes Thomas M. Beck in the Chicago Tribune. Sulphur dioxide, combined with alkalis to form sulphites, is an essential reagent in the conversion of wood into the best grades of pulp from which newspaper and rayon are made. In addition the common rayon, viscose, requires the use in its manufacture of carbon disulphide, a liquid formed by heating a mixture of coke and sulphur.

Huge amounts of sulphur are used each year in vulcanizing rubber. Other important uses are the manufacture of black gunpowder, preparation of the so-called sulphur dyes, the spraying of fruit trees, and in the form of sulphur dioxide for bleaching and fumigating. Two applications are the use of compressed sulphur dioxide as a refrigerant and that of a mixture of sulphur with inert materials for acidproof cements.

# Boxwood, Garden Shrub, Noted in Bible History

Boxwood is sometimes called the living antique. Truly it is, writes Raymond M. Conwell, in the Philadelphia Inquirer, as the proportions of the plant determine its age and a reproduction is not possible unless one chooses to wait 100 years and have one grow. It is, in truth, an old as civilization itself, if we believe the records preserved. In Biblical history the box figures on several occasions.

Perhaps the reason the dwarf variety is given the name of English boxwood is because it is a native of England, as well as of southern Europe and parts of Asia and because it was grown so extensively there, having even given name to such localities as Boxhill in Surrey and Boxley in Kent.

The early settlers brought it to America and used it extensively. Many of the estates of the Colonial gentry from Philadelphia southward record the early American era of the box and its mute testimony declares that there was time and money and refinement to spare in those families of the old aristocracy, who chose to express their aesthetic temperaments in their garden designs.

# Trees Run Temperatures

Trees run temperatures pretty much like sick human beings, a study of forest conditions shows, and the tree whose fever tops 68 degrees can be sure it is on its last limbs. Temperatures in scorched and wilted trees soared as high as 88.25 degrees Fahrenheit, trunk tests on 16 American elms indicated, the temperatures shooting up as a blistering sun scorched the water out of the trees. When moisture drops below the 60 per cent point leaves fall and the tree may die. The tests, published in the bulletin of the Missouri Botanical garden, were made during and after a drought peak after the trees had stood up under two previous dry seasons.

# Dis on Schedule Time

The palolo, a large marine worm found chiefly around Samoa and the Fiji Islands, has a strange life cycle. Each generation of these worms is born simultaneously in November and then dies at the same time twelve months later. During their life they lie in coral reefs and then, on a certain day which can often be predicted, by the position of the moon, all of them—numbering millions—rise to the surface in a body, discharge their eggs and die.—Collier's Weekly.

# Fur-Bearing Animals' Cycles

The Hudson Bay company reports that over a period of more than 100 years there seem to be nine or ten-year cycles in the number of fur-bearing animals, including muskrat, mink and red fox. The periodic increase of these and other animals appears to hold true in the northern United States as well as in the Canadian Northwest. The increase starts in the far north and gradually travels southward, but the period remains the same.

# Columbus' Port

Few visitors to Spain discover the village of Palos, near Seville, although it is from there that Columbus sailed to discover America. Palos has a colossal statue erected to his memory in 1929, the gift of American friends to Spain. The tomb of Columbus is in the Cathedral of Seville, third largest in the world, and his sarcophagus is borne by four enormous bronze figures, representing the ancient kingdoms of Spain.

# The Halo

The nimbus, commonly known as a "halo," which is pictured around the heads of divinities, not only has various forms for different kinds of aged personages—the Delta, the Virgin, Christ and saints—but also a square one for living individuals such as King, queen, emperor, sultan, sultans and other monarchs.—Ted Bromley, Westley, R. L. in Collier's Weekly.

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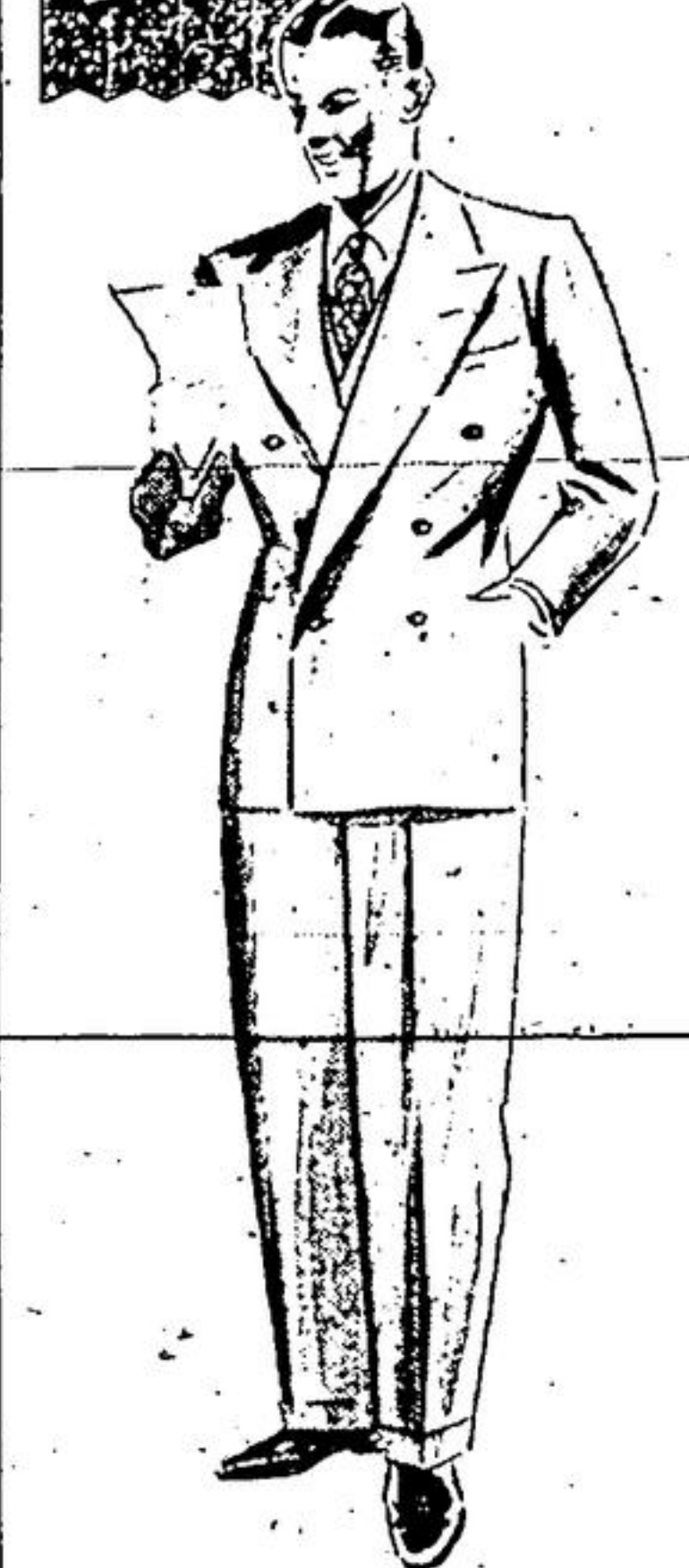
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SATURDAY, APRIL 4th  
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# SPORTS

Hockey upsets are not confined to the amateurs. No one figured that Boston Bruins would be eliminated by Toronto Maple Leafs. The Boston team couldn't hold a three goal lead in the face of that barrage.

Some wag was responsible for the story that the Acton club sent a wire to the Boston Bruins. "We know just how you feel." Well it might have been.

The Purgus News-Record says: "Two years in succession, Durham's hockey team has defeated Acton Tanners by one goal on the round, with the second game on slushy ice. Sounds more like a victory for the board of strategy rather than for the team."

We've heard tell that Georgetown has held the annual ball club meeting. Well the frost is nearly all out of the ground. It might be an early season, but it's not a bit too early for such a meeting that hasn't been held in Acton.

Durham was the first game from Whittby on Monday in overtime by one goal. The second game is called for to-night in Oshawa. We're not making any predictions on the outcome, but we can't be blamed for thinking of what might have been.

The deciding game will of course be played in Maple Leaf Gardens or else—Well, Hamilton Tigers know what or else anyway.

Don't it if we don't admire their spunk though. Wonder what would happen if there was more of it.

Might be a call for Hitler or Mussolini who knows?

The Guelph Juniors are giving St. Mike's Buzzers a good trade for the junior crown. They're waiting for the final game to an open date at the gardens.

It's funny with all these artificial ice arena laying around with nothing but open dates. It's tactics like this that have earned for Toronto the term "Hog town."

When you look at Guelph Juniors travelling along in hockey you're bound to have a lot of respect for the Acton Juniors and the showing they made against Guelph.

In looking over the list of transfers requests received to date for the baseball season, we fail to find any changes affecting Halton County baseball. Possibly they'll come along later.

That word picture of the hockey club is subject to change. One of these given as single is being married. Watch the other columns next week for the news.

The juvenile ball boys met last night. You'll find all about it in another column. The boys went good last year and should make a good showing again this year.

Dropped into the Y. on Wednesday night. Bill Ecclehall had a class in boxing, and ring-side seats were almost at a premium. And how those boys went at it!

If Bill has the same efficiency in that ring as he's had with the hockey boys, he'll have some near champions.

But then again, if he has the same work as with the tug-of-war team, he will have some real top notchers for Dominion titles.

Looked in on the floor of the gym. Paul Barber was leading in some pyramids and tumbling.

We've seen 'em at the Ex., and they're imitating on the gym floor now.

Funny, none of them are Hindus or Japs, but just Acton boys, doing this stuff we've applauded many a time.

Keep on. Acton Pair might see some real he-man strong stuff in the Arena this year.

Guelph Juniors have an open date at the Maple Leaf Arena on Friday and will meet St. Michael's Buzzers in the final game. Guelph will run a special train to the game, it is said.

Two or three fans have told us they like this column. Tut! tut! that's no way to stop it.

O.H.A. bulletin this morning says: "If Whittby wins to-night, a third game will be necessary, the place being decided upon by the O.H.A." We submit it should have read: "The place having been decided upon by the O.H.A."

But then, we're terrible guessers, anyway.

# AT THE RUSH HOUR

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He—No, I was only getting out of a crowded street car.

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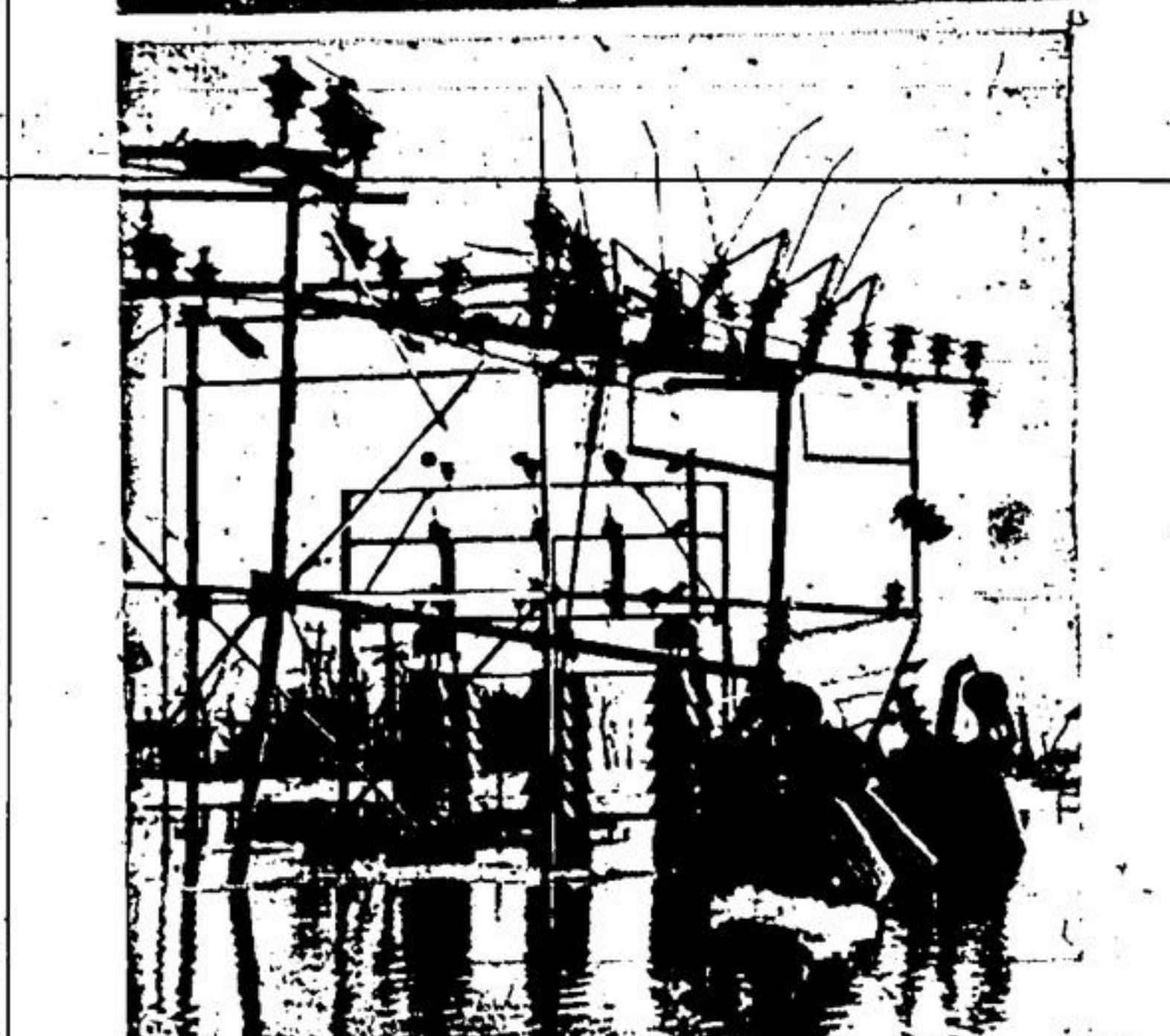
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# Quebec Floods Do Much Damage



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