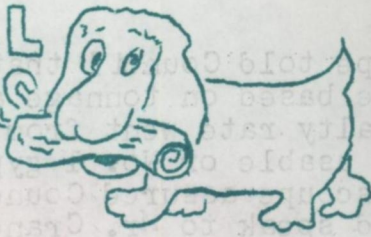
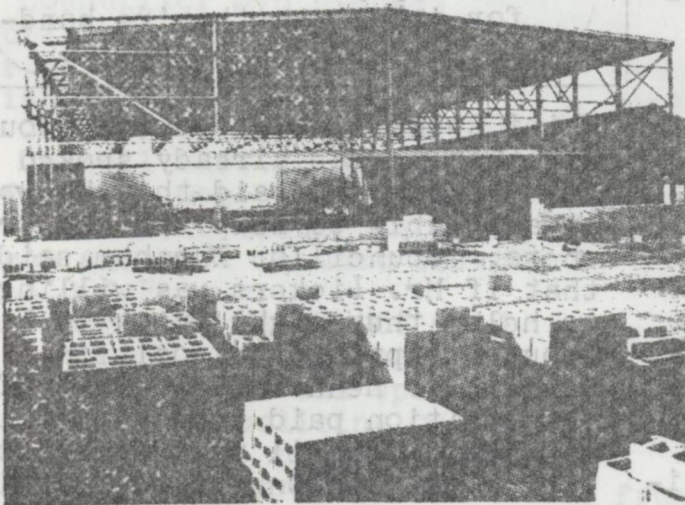


LOCAL NEWS



Completion of Structural Steel of Six Nations Arena, Ohsweken August 1, 1972.



Six Nations Arena, Ohsweken October 30, 1972

ARENA COMPLETION DATE SET

The completion date for the Six Nations Sports and Cultural Arena in Ohsweken has been set for April 15, 1973.

Mr. Paul Lickers, Construction Manager and Supervisor of the job said that he has been assured by the Arena Committee that there will be enough funds to furnish seats, etc. in the building.

The idea of an arena on the reserve was originated in 1967 by Mr. Joe Montour, Mr. Syd Henhawk and Mr. John Burnham who formed a committee. Their intention was to start proceedings for an outdoor arena which would cost approximately \$65,000.00. However, the residents of the reserve would not support the idea because they thought that weather conditions during the winter months would render usability of the arena impossible. Because of these facts, the committee did not apply for the centennial grant which was offered that year and the idea was lost.

The background information which had been gathered was filed and in 1971 the idea was revived; but this time the plan was to build a large, closed-in arena. Another committee was formed headed by Mr. Alton VanEvery. Mr. Welby Johnson was appointed head of the Building Committee and Mr. Ambrose Johnson secured blueprints for the building.