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nated 15 cubic yards of concrete, Andy Hamilton Crane Service who brought in a 55 ton crane for 82 working hours and only the operator's time had to be paid by the Committee and McMillan and Stemler completed masonry without charge when arena committee was short-funded. The residents of the reserve are also to be commended for their interest and support of the entire project.

The Arena Committee will be selling seats for \$20.00 each in the form of donation. A nameplate will be placed on the back of the seat of the purchaser.

TAXATION DISCUSSION

Taxation of non-Indian interests on Indian lands was the topic of discussion at a meeting held in Ottawa on January 11th.

Attending the meeting were representatives from the Department of Indian Affairs, Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians, Grand Council of Treaty No. 3 and the Union of Ontario Indians. These three organizations are the only three in operation who are recognized by the Federal government.

The Union of Ontario Indians had submitted a brief to Premier Wm. B. Davis stating that registered Indians be exempted from taxation. To this date they have received no reply.

Mr. Lyle Riley asked Mr. Ciaccia, Asst. Deputy Minister, if the Department of Indian Affairs would support and assist the three recognized organizations in preparing another brief to submit to the province. Mr. Ciaccia said that they would only support in asking the province to provide services for taxes.

A resolution was passed to

form a committee to study and to prepare a draft proposal regarding taxation of non-Indian interests on Indian reserves. The Committee will then present the draft to the reserves for full approval. Whereupon a submission will be jointly made to the province of Ontario. The Department of Indian Affairs will provide a secretary for the committee.

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF NATIVE WOMEN OF ONTARIO

Mrs. Elliott Moses is the only representative from Six Nations reserve on the Board of "Native Women of Ontario".

This organization was formed in the spring of 1972 by a group of Indian women from across Ontario. Their headquarters is located in Thunder Bay and their main objective is to try and raise the standard of living among Indian homes. They have the full co-operation of other Indian organizations.

Mrs. Moses said she hopes more Indian women from the reserve will participate in this worthwhile organization. However, an Indian woman who is married to a non-Indian man cannot become a member of the board.

QUARRY WORKER KILLED

Gerald Wilbur King, 23, of Hagersville died in West Haldimand General Hospital on Saturday, January 6, 1973, a short time after the front-end loader he was driving was struck by a train.

Mr. King was an employee of Haldimand Quarries at Hagersville. He was crossing the tracks when the loader was struck and thrown 58 feet off to the side of the track.