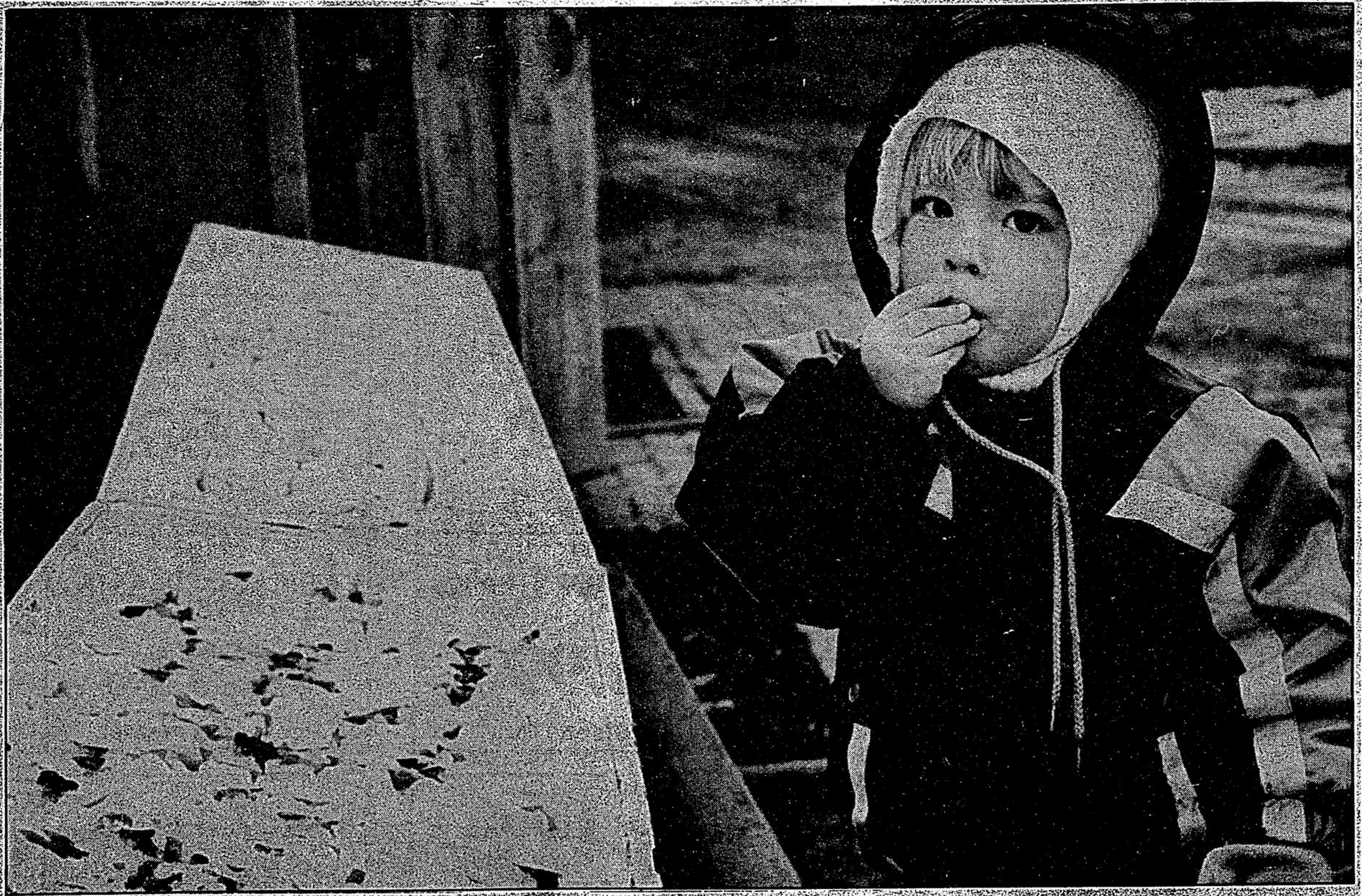


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SAP'S RUNNING!



The Maple Syrup Fest at Bruce's Mill Conservation Area on Hwy 47 is always a smash hit with winter-weary residents. At top, two-year-old Jordan Gunn samples the maple taffy just after being poured onto the snow to cool. Below, Jamie Miller, 9, tries his hand at pouring sap from the collection bucket into a boiling pot of syrup. At right, Bruce's Mill employee Wes Gregg stirs a pot of boiling syrup. Gregg heats the syrup to 245 degrees and then pours it onto the snow to make taffy. At top, right, wagon rides are being offered to visitors throughout the syrup season.



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