

# SPORT NEWS

## ACTON BANTAMS LOSE FINALS TO SIMCOE BY 9 TO 5 SCORE

Acton Bantams failed in their bid for the Ontario Championship last Saturday in Hamilton, going down to defeat against Simcoe Three Links by a score of 9 to 5. The team put up a courageous fight and went down swinging to a good team, probably a little better balanced.

Errors played a big part in the outcome. Acton's infield was guilty of 7 misplays that were very costly. Paul Lawson was in his place at first despite some cracked ribs etc., which handicapped his usual game.

Simcoe got a run in the top of the fourth. Acton loaded the bases in their half, then Hewey Sirrs tagged a three-bagger that scored 3, which looked pretty big for the minute but the roof fell in on the fifth and sixth with 8 runs counting. Acton added one in each of the fifth and eighth and had a promising rally in the ninth. Bases loaded and two fly to John Cunningham hit a two out to center for the last out.

Bob Coon made three nice running catches in center field and Ross Morton snared a difficult pop back of third.

Morton relieved John Cunningham in the fifth only, but John finished the game strong, retiring the side in the 7th, 8th and 9th.

The officers of Acton Minors wish to thank all those who helped in any way to make this bantam baseball possible. Harry Lawson (coach) deserves a bouquet for his faithful work in training these boys.

King started for Simcoe but Lefty Sabatine relieved him in the 5th and finished the game.

SIMCOE	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Pond, ss	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rogers, rf	4	2	1	2	0	0	0	0
King, p. 1b	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sabatine, 1b, p	4	0	1	3	2	0	0	0
Crass, cf	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Kowalsky, lf	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Fisher, c	3	0	0	15	3	0	0	0
Loveday, 2b	4	1	1	2	1	0	0	0
Lansford, 3b	4	1	1	1	1	0	0	0

ACTON	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Heasley, 2b	3	1	0	0	4	2	0	0
Skilling, ss	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cunningham, p. 3b	5	1	2	0	6	6	0	0
Holmes, c	4	1	0	11	1	3	0	0
Morton, 3b, p	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	0
Lawson, 1b	3	1	0	10	0	0	0	0
Sirrs, rf	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Coon, cf	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Footitt, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hurst, if	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wilds	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Runs batted in, Pond 2, Rogers 2, Langford, Loveday 2, Sirrs 3, Cunningham 1, Holmes 1, home run, Roger, stolen bases, Kowalsky, Loveday, Heasley, Cunningham 2, sacrifice hit, Fisher, double play, Sabatine to Langford; left on base, Simcoe 3, Acton 7; base on balls, off Cunningham 2, off King 5, off Sabatine 5; struck out by Cunningham 10, by King 5, by Sabatine 11; hits and runs, off Cunningham 5 runs (4 earned), 5 hits in 8 1/2 innings, off Morton 4 runs (0 earned), 2 hits in 2 1/2 innings, off King 3 runs (3 earned), 2 hits in 3 1/2 innings, off Sabatine 2 runs (1 earned) in 5 1/2 innings; wild pitch, Cunningham; King, passed ball, Holmes 4.

The human body needs healthful stimulation—and for mild exercise you can't beat walking. Walking moderate distances between home and work, or school, is stimulating.

## Forum Committee Meets In Milton

Halt County Farm Forum committee met at the Court House, Milton on Thursday, October 18th, at 8:30 p.m. with Chairman Victor Hall, presiding. He welcomed the Federal representatives, and the Co-operative representatives to the gathering. The letter dealing with the donation of \$25.00 from the United Farmers Co-operative of Ontario was read and the question as to how best to use this gift to increase our forum members in Halton County was discussed. An organization committee will then be appointed to deal with the matter immediately.

Then the question of where co-operative leaders could assist the discussion of the present series in forum groups was considered. All forum representatives present voiced their willingness to co-operate and requested a leader be at their meeting. Mr. Parr, local co-operative manager, took the list and is assuming the responsibility of securing leaders for this series.

Gordon H. Gray, Fieldman for Co-operatives was called on and he approved of the idea of all three organizations working together, with the Federation acting as the mouth-piece as well as giving support to the other commodity groups.

Mr. Parr voiced his pleasure at being placed in this area and hoped to meet with as many forum groups as possible in the near future. He hoped all would feel free to ask any questions on the subject and he would endeavor to give them the answers.

J. McGillivray, assistant manager, was also present and expressed pleasure in the people of this area.

Mr. Heatherington, Secretary of County Federation of Agriculture, claimed in his position he was expected to assist in all farm organizations. The question he put before the meeting was, "How can we best utilize forums to accomplish their best?" In answering this he mentioned more personal contacts in assembled groups, the using of the Ontario office to prepare circulars, and using the County executive in assisting forum groups.

A short discussion period followed on the topic, "What are some of the things we can do to make this first series a success?" The first answer was "Punctuality". Each farm forum chairman was to impress upon the members the necessity of being in their places promptly at 8:15 ready for the broadcast at 8:30. Set a time limit for discussion and do not exceed this time. A program committee to arrange the program for the season with every other night games and a speaker alternating. In this manner those who prefer euchre do not monopolize the recreation period every night, but are willing to learn to co-operate and consider their neighbors' wishes.

It was also thought advisable that if meeting of the new Secretaries be arranged as soon as possible, after the first reports come in, with the County Executive to acquaint them with their new duties and discuss problems.

**DROP IN STORE SALES**  
Consumers have many department store managers somewhat puzzled, reports the Financial Post. Though incomes have been rising at a record rate, department store sales have been sagging below last year.

The situation is matched in the United States Down there many stores are harassed by the large inventories they built up. Conservative buying by Canadian stores is said to have largely avoided this problem.

The retail decrease is not a trend and cannot last, most managers feel sure.

## POUNDRING THE BEAT

With A. Vengeance

**WHY** are we always bridesmaids and never a blushing bride must have been the thoughts of officials of the Acton Minor Sports Club, as a result of the Bantams finishing in the runner up position for the O.B. A. trophy. Seems as if the gentleman can do everything but place a winner in the charmed circle exclusively reserved for the Ontario champion. They've come close in baseball in previous years and it's been the same story in hockey. Just not quite close enough. However, their luck can't remain dormant for much longer. The law of averages says they're bound to come up with a winner sooner or later.

**THE TASK** of educating future ball players is a thankless task at times. There is no incentive from the grounds, who seem to stay away in large numbers even with a contending team on tap. As a result, finances don't usually balance and it's a common occurrence for the deficit to be made up from the executive's pocket. Frequently they are criticized for doing this and that by someone not well enough informed to know what things are all about let alone criticize. Their only reward seems to be in the faces of the kids they have under their wing. And often that's dead pan, too.

**FORTUNATELY** Acton has quite a few of these gentlemen who sacrifice valuable time to give the kids a chance at sport. They deserve three cheers and a loud Tiger for the effort they expended on behalf of the Bantam club. They guided them clear through to the finals before finally being put out by a town with a much larger field to choose from than in Acton. While we're throwing orchids we might include the players themselves for a good brand of ball and their handlers, Harry Lawson and Harold Skilling who gave unstintingly of their time to instill the fundamentals of the game into the kids. Remember, there's still another year.

**HOCKEY** is starting to share the spotlight with football now as winter approaches. It looks as if there won't be an intermediate entry from Acton again this season, but possibilities of a junior team seem to be good. It is rumored that Milton won't have a junior club this year and the Milton players would like to play in Acton.

Milton is going great guns to provide for the fans. Probably Ben Bayliss and Leno Marzo, both of whom played for Milton last year, will again be in uniform. Our spy tells us that veteran "Dude" Lindsay is also considering emerging from retirement and lead the league in scoring. Shades of Joe Louis!

**GEORGETOWN** is playing Intermediate B hockey this year and the Herald is hoping for a return to the "good old days" of hockey when interest was keen between the towns in this district. They hope to revive that interest by playing in the loop composed of Bridgeport, blood and thunder Int. B champs of last term, Elmira, Fergus, Walkerton, and possibly Milton. Their team is intact from last year with the exception of Blackie Graham and Acton's Harold Townsley.

**TOWNSLEY** and Fred Kentner of this fair villa, caught a berth on the Washington team in a United States pro league. Both have signed contracts with the club and will probably finish the season out there. They are both products of Acton Minor leagues and played with Acton Redmen in the Junior series when the club won two consecutive group titles and verged on a championship in 1949. They were selected to try out for Washington by Joe Schertel of Hershey Bears, Boston Bram team club, who hails from our Norval way and played a try-out exhibition games with Georgetown last year.

## Nassagaweya Lot Mecca For Match

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Tyndall, Richmond Hill; 2nd, Doug Reid, Brampton; 3rd, L. C. Kennedy, Agincourt; 4th, Wm. Hoal-ravisor, Milton; 5th, Spencer Wilson; 6th, C. F. Pickett, Georgetown.

Class 5—Tractors in Sod—1st, K. Merry, Hornby; 2nd, Ross Brown, Norval; 3rd, Wm. Brain, Norval; 4th, Stan Davis, Alberton; 5th, L. May, Milton; 6th, Sherwood Hume, Milton; 7th, Jack Marchmont, Hornby.

Class 6—Tractors in Sod (Halton)—1st, Arnold Howden, Milton; 2nd, John Cunningham, Hornby; 3rd, Glenn Irwin, Milton; 4th, Paul Coulson, Milton; 5th, Jim Immond, Georgetown; 6th, Barry Archer, Georgetown.

Class 7—Tractors in Sod—1st, J. W. Pickett, Hornby; 2nd, John Road-head, Milton; 3rd, Gordon Ferguson, Georgetown; 4th, Harold Ferguson, Freeman.

Class 8—Tractor Mounted Plows in Sod—1st, Donald Armstrong, Brampton; 2nd, Roy Warrington, Campbellville; 3rd, Geo. Dixon, Brampton; 4th, Jack Taylor, Freeman.

In the Horse Show where Max Featherstone of Freeman was the official judge, the awards were as follows:

Horse Show—1st, John Timbers, Unionville; 2nd, Stanley May, Hornby; 3rd, Jack Turner, Moffat; 4th, Merle Timbers, Aurora.

Best Plow Team—1st, Merle Timbers, Aurora; 2nd, Harry Woods, Campbellville; 3rd, Edgar May, Hornby; 4th, Stanley May, Hornby.

While this was the first match held in Nassagaweya Township for some little time the residents of that Township may well be proud of the 1951 site and the quality of the soil, which is certainly second to none in the County of Halton.

## CAMPBELLVILLE

### Many Guests At Thankoffering

The thankoffering meeting of the W.M.S. of St. David's Church was held in the Sunday School Room on Thursday afternoon. The president, Mrs. Elliot, opened the meeting with the call to worship and prayer. After the singing of a hymn, an article "Let us give thanks" was read.

The devotional period was in charge of Mrs. Michie and Miss Hampshire of Boston Church. Mrs. A. Cairns and Mrs. Dixon accompanied by Mrs. McDonald of Killebridge, sang a lovely duet "The Shepherd of Love".

Mrs. Wilfred Greenlees who had entertained the guest speaker, introduced Mrs. H. S. Reid, a member of the Council executive, who gave a very interesting and informative address dealing mostly with the personal things which take place with the port workers and at Birle Indian School.

The subject of the address was "Across Canada" and began with "A thousand miles begins with one little step". Mrs. Reid asked for the prayers of everyone for all the workers.

Mrs. Menzies thanked Mrs. Reid and all who had taken part in the program. The offering was taken by Miss Reid and Mrs. Sharp; and

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FINALISTS in the Championship battle, Acton Bantams bowed out on Saturday when they were defeated in Victoria Park, Hamilton, by Simcoe Three Links. The best of three series went the limit as Acton won the second game. From left to right in the back row are Dr. Sirrs, Paul Lawson, Allan Holmes, Jim Graham, Ken Blow, Harold Skilling, John Cunningham, Ross Morton and Harry Lawson, coach. In the front row are Don Wilds, Bob Heasley, Peter Hurst, Bill Skilling, Ted Footitt, Bob Coon, Hugh Sirrs, and Peter Lawson, bar boy, in front.

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