

Pounding the Sports Beat



LESTER PEARSON, head of Her Majesty's loyal opposition, was recently asked which team he picked to win the world series. A keen student of baseball, Mrs. Pearson looked thoughtful for a moment and said words something like this:

"The Yankees, of course. Who wants the Reds to win? Then he smiled, remarking that these days, it was even difficult to play left wing.

He was echoing the thoughts of the multitude in picking the Yankees. Sentiment, however, is going to be with the Cincinnati Reds. Most of the old ladies, the once-a-year baseball fans and Joe Blows will be pulling for the underdogs.

The Yanks, with Maris and Mantle in the line-up, looks almost invincible. We're jumping on their band wagon, too. Remember, though, not many picked Pittsburgh last season. History has a way of repeating itself over and over again starting back when David struck out Goliath with a deater.

BY THE WAY, whatever happened to last year's giant-killer, Bill Mazeroski? Remember his home run of last season, the one that resounded around the world, beat the Yankees and made him the toast of baseball.

Mazeroski made a grand tour of the banquet circuit during the winter, but then he faded into near obscurity when the baseball season reopened.

That one moment when his ball sailed over the fence with the hopes of Pittsburgh riding on it will likely be the high point in Mazeroski's career. And who could have happier memories?

BASEBALL is not finished yet in this district with Campbellville and Milton in the running for O.B.A. honors.

Milton has the distinction of having three teams in the Ontario

to play-offs. Their Junior Red Sox are now in the finals, the Red Sox in the semi-finals and the Pee Wees in the finals.

Campbellville Merchants, by defeating Coruna in games two and three of the Intermediate A semi-finals, now meet Port Hope in the finals. First game of the best of three is in Campbellville Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

This is the ninth consecutive year the Campbellville club has gone to the Ontario Intermediate finals. If they win, it will be their seventh Ontario championship.

PLANS ARE already in operation to start the Central Ontario Intermediate hockey league earlier than ever this season.

Georgetown, Milton and Oakville will all have entries in the league, same as last season.

Georgetown, angling for the services of veteran Nick Ferri, have dangled an attractive bait and it's likely Nick will pilot the Raiders this season. Milton, meanwhile, apparently settling for Jackie Debut to hold the reins in his debut as a manager.

Oakville is jousting with their arena board over the Sunday games issue. The board nixed the proposal of games on the Sabbath when the hockey club threw it in their laps as the only alternative for them. Either Sunday games, they said, or we will fold up—move out.

The arena board was unmoved. At this writing, the Oaks are looking for another home. Maybe we could invite them to Acton.

PROSPECTS OF the new community centre being finished by the end of this year are good. Ice may be in some time in November.

At least two minor hockey clubs will appreciate the home ice but nothing has been planned for a major hockey club that this scribe has heard of.

It would be a good start for

the new centre if a team from Acton could be entered into some Intermediate league just to get the ball rolling. A few years will elapse before a strong entry can be enrolled in a league of the calibre of the Central Ontario League but a start must be made somewhere.

Interest might be sparked if two good Intermediate teams were brought here to officially open the community centre.

THE LIONS club is sponsoring the juvenile hockey club again this season and prospects look bright for a strong entry from Acton. Last year's team is practically intact from the one that Orangeville eliminated, in

the group finals before going a long way in the title hunt.

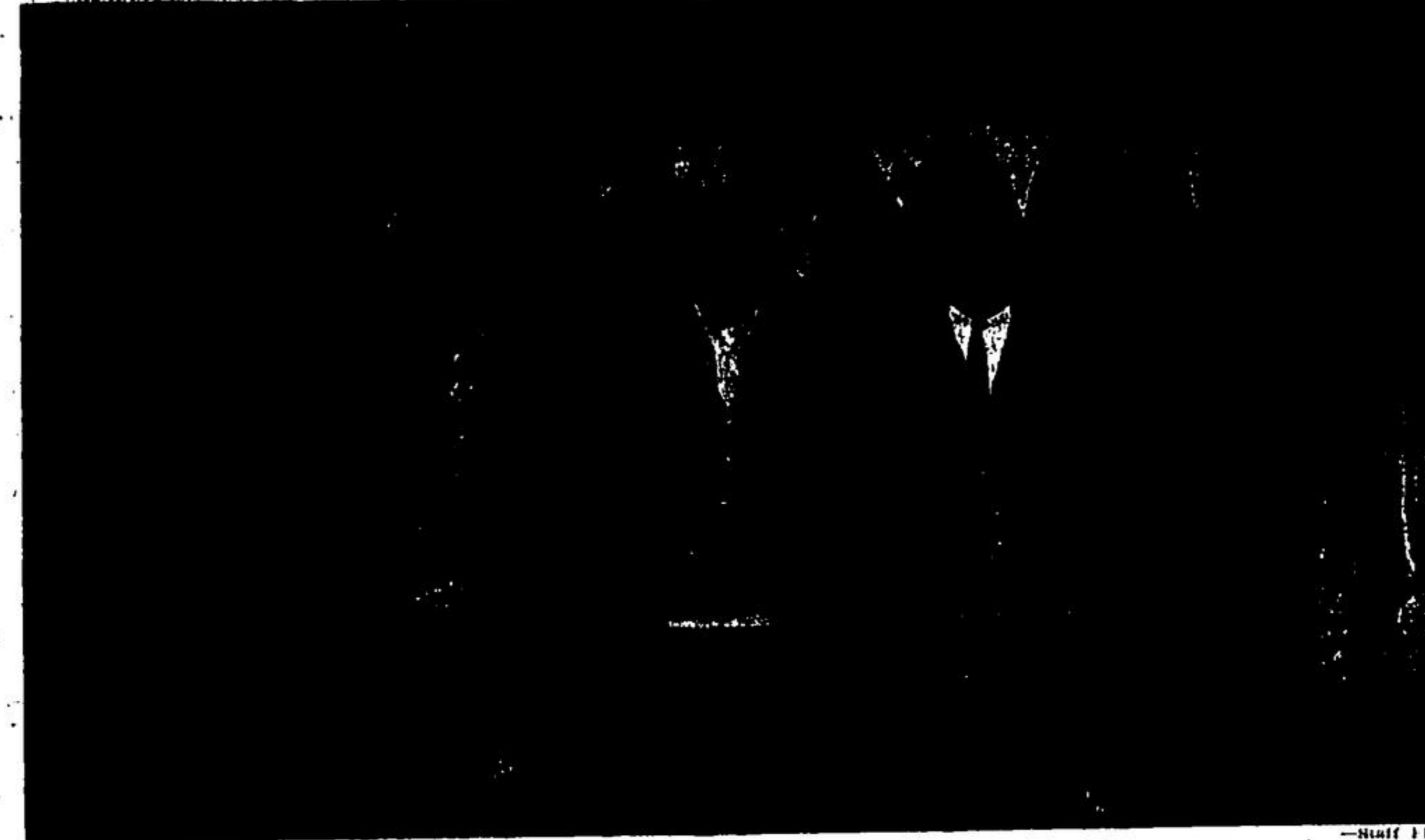
The team will be entered in the Tri-County League, along with their smaller brethren, the Bantams. The Fire Fighters' Association is taking the Bants under their wing and they will probably be in a five-team league.

It is the fifth year of operation for the Tri-County, which

started out with four juvenile teams. It now embraces Juveniles and Midgets and this year is covering the Bantams.

HOW ELSE? Is the electrical wiring in your home capable of safely taking the "load" of appliances? Look at it from the standpoint of appliances available, then and now

manager Ernie Marks. Back row left to right Dennis Gibbons, Terry Waterhouse, Garnett Roszell, Pete Marks, John Leatherland, executive officer, Gil Malcolm, Ron Malcolm, Don Lindsay, Ian Johnson, Ron Mallon, Brian McCristall and Bill Dawkins. Any boys interested are asked to contact Ernie Marks.



—Staff Photo
JUVENILE HOCKEY enthusiasts started their enrolment this week when an organizational meeting was held Sunday afternoon. A number of players from last year are pictured above with coach and manager when they attended the meeting. Seated front row left to right are coach George Bayliss, captain, Pete Lawson, and

manager Ernie Marks. Back row left to right Dennis Gibbons, Terry Waterhouse, Garnett Roszell, Pete Marks, John Leatherland, executive officer, Gil Malcolm, Ron Malcolm, Don Lindsay, Ian Johnson, Ron Mallon, Brian McCristall and Bill Dawkins. Any boys interested are asked to contact Ernie Marks.

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The ducks seem unmindful of a secret weapon which they could use with which they could gum up this time honored ritual. That is the law.

All Varieties
They'll be aiming at wood ducks, mallards, blacks, teal and any other variety which happens to pick on district waters for feeding. Flocks of the birds have been observed resting on Fairy Lake for the past few weeks, living nightly to nesting spots on Beaver Meadows.

Best hunters find, however, that come opening day, the ducks that were so plentiful in weeks past seem to have disappeared and they must vent their wrath on the strays.

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The law prescribes that the hunter may not shoot until the bird is on the wing.

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