

Pounding the SPORTS BEAT

THIS IS THE STORY of how a promising photographic career started and ended in one night. It concerns this fuzzy faced scribbler who never graduated beyond a Kodak brownie with a fixed focus.

It happened last week when the news editor of this journal said he didn't think he'd be able to make it down to the rink to take some shots of the intermediate hockey practice, like this scribbler requested.

"Too busy," he announced. "Why don't you take the camera down and take them yourself?"

I pondered the idea and then made a mental vow that that night I'd take the Yashica to the rink and take some pictures Yusuf Karsh would have difficulty telling from his own. If they wanted to hang them in the National Gallery or in the lobby of Maple Leaf Gardens, which can't be far apart in importance, they'd have to deal with some very high prices as well as a very sticky photographer.

Talked to the boss, who agreed to give me some tips on how to hold the camera. I grasped it firmly, looked meekly through the first glass opening which protruded slightly from the front. "See anything?"

"I admitted I didn't but wasn't greatly disturbed. The guys that made this camera were Japanese. I reasoned they made the apparatus for their eyes. I told the boss so.

He looked sideways and up at me with two big question marks in his deep blue eyes. "You're looking in the wrong end," he announced and unceremoniously wrenched the Yashica around. My green eyes were still glued on the lens.

"Look through this end," he growled. "Press this button when you see what you want to photograph." With that, he left!

Those words of advice ringing in my ears and one eye still intact I tripped down to the community centre bent on freeing the photographic world from the fetters of mediocrity which had held it in its grip since the mid-nineteenth century.

THE SIGHT OF A CAMERA turns some people to jelly. Others break out in a wreath of smiles. Ladies adjust their bonnets, pat their hair, straighten their stockings, apply lipstick and roll their eyes. Men put their upper plates back in, assume a steely-eyed pose, quote verbatim from Horace Greely and make out they don't want to be in any picture.

I sauntered in the rink prepared for them all. I casually asked the team's manager and coach to pose for a picture. They acceded to my requests. When I decided to take some action shots of the team practicing, I ran into some difficulty.

If I leaned over one side of the boards the play went to the other side. If I went to one end the players went to another end. I was beginning to get the idea these guys didn't want to hang in the National Gallery or alongside the hockey immortals in Maple Leaf Gardens.

When one smart defenseman skated by and yelled, "Which side of my profile do ya want?" I got the impression he was putting me on. Perhaps, I thought, I should've started out on cheesecake instead of these thankless, rough and tumble hockey players. How could I put the ball, then, on film when they persisted in belting each other through the boards.

With a last look and a hasty snap shot of all the players chasing the puck I packed the whole thing up and with cords banging from my neck, my arms akimbo, I made my exit determined to turn my talents to some other pursuit where they'd be more appreciated.

That should have been the end of the story. It isn't!

The pictures were developed, printed and appeared in the paper. I congratulated myself since nobody else bothered. Everybody was in focus, the cut lines read properly, it was on the right page. Perhaps I'd been too hasty giving up a gleaming photographic career after only one fling. Maybe I'd have another try.

It was the next day a fellow employee stopped me at the drinking fountain. "Say," he said, "you take those hockey pictures in this week's paper?" I nodded, expecting a big pat on the back.

"Well are you ever in for it," he chortled, "one of the wives of a guy in the picture saw it and she's hoppin' mad."

"Whaddya mean?" I asked.

"She says her guy don't look as bad as that and anybody that'd take a picture like that shouldn't have a camera in his hands. Wait! she sees you, she'll break every bone in your body!"

I've developed a nervous habit of looking over my shoulder for a vengeful female. I clipped a copy of West Fountain's magazine article, "Shoot — but don't kill" which I intend to send to the hate lady. Meanwhile my photographic career has collapsed in shreds.

BEAT BITS . . . Toronto Argos wound up the Eastern football conference by downing the two top teams, Ottawa and Hamilton, but like last season they're too late with too little. Neither game had much significance in spite of what the Rider and Teat coaches declare. Now it's up to Hamilton to trounce Montreal in Saturday's sudden-death final if they want to meet Ottawa in the eastern finals. Ticats should do it . . . You remember Chuck Jewell when he pitched ball here in minor ranks? He playing goal for Collingwood in the O.H.A. Sr. A series. The Shipbuilders are at the league top . . . Tri-County minor hockey series is off and running and this Saturday the Legion town league leaves the starting gate at 1 p.m. . . . First doubleheader for the Industrial Hockey League Sunday produced one upser when team four edged team two 2-1. Number two club, it is claimed by players on the other clubs, is "stacked." If you'd like to see some pretty fair hockey with an all local cast you can catch a doubleheader any Sunday night starting at seven . . . Georgetown's juvenile baseball champs, which include Actonians Dan Arbie, Jan Riddall, Phil Marzo, Roy Shulis, Barrie Elliott and Dave Ryden in the ranks, received smart new jackets, individual trophies and a team picture at the annual dinner of the Georgetown Baseball Association in Glen Williams Saturday. Another honor came to Dan Arbie when he was selected the Most Valuable Player on the team and received the award . . .

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Legion town league loop starts Saturday afternoon

The Atoms, Novices and Pee Wees will lift the Legion town league lid this Saturday afternoon with Weston at Brampton in the Atom opener at 1 p.m. Games will be played every Saturday afternoon.

BANTAM
Thursday, Nov. 10, 7 p.m.
Buffalo vs. Hershey.
Thursday, Nov. 17, 7 p.m.
Hershey vs. Pittsburgh.

ATOMS
Weston
Scott Malcolm, Jeff Shields, Kenneth Swan, Norm Thornhill, Gordon Bruce, Mark Morrison, Trevor Davies, Bobby Kilby.

Novice 2 p.m. — Oshawa vs. St. Kitts, 3 p.m. — Hamilton vs. Niagara Falls.
Pee Wee 4:15 p.m. — Baltimore vs. Springfield, 5:10 p.m. — Cleveland vs. Rochester.

NOVICE LEAGUE
Oshawa
David Allen, Billy Cushman, Wade Knight, Gordon Toth, Robin Incoe, John Ashley, Ricky Baginski, David Morris, Blaine Cleland.

Hamilton
Kevin Marcoux, Garry Martin, Eddy Ensign, Jim Hurley, David Marcoux, Brad Martin, Jim Rogers, Jeff Patterson.
St. Catharines
John Hansen, Bill Paul, John



NO SEWING CIRCLE! Just the Acton District High School girls' volleyball team in a huddle giving the school yell prior to the start of the tournament against other schools last week. Acton won the tournament and played in Guelph Saturday at the CWOSSA finals.

Tanners open here Friday Nov. 18 O.H.A. group pared to five teams

O.H.A. convener Bob Marshall released the schedule of the Int. B group Acton Tanners will play in this season following a meeting with representatives of the five teams involved Thursday in Acton.

Milverton withdrew its entry leaving a five team league composed of Seaforth, Hespeler, Fergus, Orangeville and Acton. The teams will play a double schedule starting on Tuesday, November 15, when Seaforth plays Hespeler.

First game for the Acton club will be a home appearance on Friday, November 18 with Hespeler.

Reports from all teams in the league indicate they'll be stronger than they were last year. The league includes Seaforth, last year's O.H.A. Int. B champs, and Hespeler, W.O.A. Int. B. titlists.

Orangeville has a new deal going for them and it includes coach Doug Hoare who's noted for the fiery teams he produces. Fergus is expected to be considerably strengthened with help from Elmira.

Meanwhile, coach Fred Kentner is still busy whipping a team into shape for Acton.

Tim Haines, a speedy winger from the Glen appeared for his first practice Friday and Smoky Richardson, a sure-fire prospect, was out on Sunday. So was Junior Beaumont, who after shedding the coaching job looked like he intended to land a job at centre. Junior's got a blistering shot.

Another Tanner from a few years back, Paul Barber, was out on defence. From Milton, Bill Currie and Brian McDuffe appeared. Currie was out with Oakville's Senior A Oaks but apparently intends to ask for his release.

The team practices Friday and again Sunday. It's hoped an exhibition game can be arranged soon before the regular schedule opens two weeks from Friday night.

Following is the complete schedule:
Nov. 15 — Seaforth at Hespeler.
Nov. 18 — Hespeler at Acton.
Nov. 18 — Orangeville at Fergus.
Nov. 20 — Orangeville at Hespeler.
Nov. 21 — Acton at Orangeville.
Nov. 22 — Fergus at Seaforth.
Nov. 25 — Orangeville at Acton.
Nov. 25 — Hespeler at Fergus.
Nov. 28 — Fergus at Orangeville.
Nov. 29 — Hespeler at Seaforth.
Dec. 2 — Seaforth at Acton.
Dec. 2 — Orangeville at Fergus.
Dec. 4 — Acton at Hespeler.
Dec. 5 — Seaforth at Orangeville.
Dec. 8 — Orangeville at Seaforth.
Dec. 9 — Fergus at Acton.
Dec. 12 — Hespeler at Orangeville.
Dec. 13 — Acton at Fergus.
Dec. 13 — Seaforth at Hespeler.
Dec. 15 — Acton at Seaforth.
Dec. 16 — Orangeville at Acton.
Dec. 16 — Hespeler at Fergus.
Dec. 18 — Fergus at Hespeler.
Dec. 19 — Seaforth at Orangeville.
Dec. 21 — Fergus at Acton.
Dec. 22 — Orangeville at Seaforth.
Dec. 27 — Hespeler at Seaforth.
Dec. 30 — Hespeler at Acton.
Dec. 30 — Seaforth at Fergus.
Jan. 2 — Acton at Orangeville.
Jan. 6 — Acton at Fergus.
Jan. 9 — Hespeler at Orangeville.
Jan. 10 — Acton at Seaforth.
Jan. 10 — Fergus at Hespeler.
Jan. 13 — Seaforth at Fergus.
Jan. 15 — Orangeville at Hespeler.
Jan. 16 — Fergus at Orangeville.
Jan. 20 — Seaforth at Acton.
Jan. 24 — Acton at Hespeler.
Jan. 24 — Fergus at Seaforth.

Instruction starts new curling season

New curling stones have been added for curlers this year Monday and Tuesday instructors were on hand to coach beginners. A special film on curling was shown Tuesday night.

Although the regular season doesn't begin until November 14, a club bonspiel and social night scheduled for next Monday and Tuesday. The draw committee is making up the draws and the membership committee is still accepting names.

There are over 130 applications to curl in so far.

Ian Johnson scores four top marksman in openers

Team one whipped team number three 6-3 in Sunday's industrial league opener as Ian Johnson went on a four goal scoring picnic to pace the winners.

In the tail-end of the doubleheader team number four edged team two 2-1 in a match marked by 11 penalties.

None of the four teams in the league are named yet. They'll go by the number designation until they pick appropriate labels.

Ed Smith put the winners of the opener on the right track with the first marked assist by Barry Wilson. Ian Johnson bagged the next one with help from John Cunningham before Smith hit the target again from Bruce Barber.

Then Ian Johnson assumed command firing the next three goals, the first unassisted. He was helped by Barry Wilson and Wayne Sheppard on numbers two and three respectively.

Ken Tuck notched a pair for the losers with Brian McCristall assisting on his first, Denis Gibbons the second. Bill Bastell tucked the third goal in for the losers with help from Denis Gibbons.

Four of the five penalties went to the losers, Ron Schmidt, Mel Sheppard (10 min. misc.), Brian McCristall and John Dunn. Bob Doyle was the lone winner to serve time.

Fears that team two was stacked were disregarded by team four in the nightcap as they rode to a 2-1 decision. Ron Mellon scored their first goal unassisted and Noah Rowsell notched the winner from speedy Harry Phillips.

Stu McDonald repitied for the losers from Al McNabb.

As well as collecting the most goals the winners served seven

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Midgets lose squeaker Sun.

Acton Midget All Stars lost a 4-3 squeaker to Milton in a pre-season exhibition at the community centre Sunday.

Coach Ed Owen and manager "Doc" Harkley had the Acton team playing well, but the Milton team have been on the ice longer and conditioning paid off.

The teams scored three goals in the first period. Lloyd Smallwood pulling the trigger for Acton from Casey Harkley. Chuchmach got Milton's first counter from Hood. Hood then sniped another for Milton.

The visitors went ahead 3-1 in the second period on Cole's goal, but Acton came roaring back to knot the count in the final stanza as Lloyd Smallwood potted his second from Casey Harkley. John Mason popped in the third assisted by Clare Snow.

Milton wrapped their game up at the 16 minute mark as Cole drilled his second marker from Chuchmach and Gates.

Paul Cooper played well in goal for Acton. Murray Harrison and Dan Arbie refereed.

FIRST DAY
Lady curlers had a social afternoon and their first game on Monday afternoon.

Hockey school starts soon

Referee-in-chief Murray Harrison announced registration for the hockey school conducted weekly by Acton Referees' Association would take place Thursday, November 10, from 6 to 7 p.m. at the arena.

Moderate fees of \$2 per child or \$3 for a family of two or more. In the only requisite beside skates, a stick and helmet.

ACTON ARENA SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4
8 p.m. — Acton Tanners practice

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5
9 a.m. — Figure Skating
1 - 6 p.m. — Legion (Minor) Hockey
8-10 p.m. — Public Skating

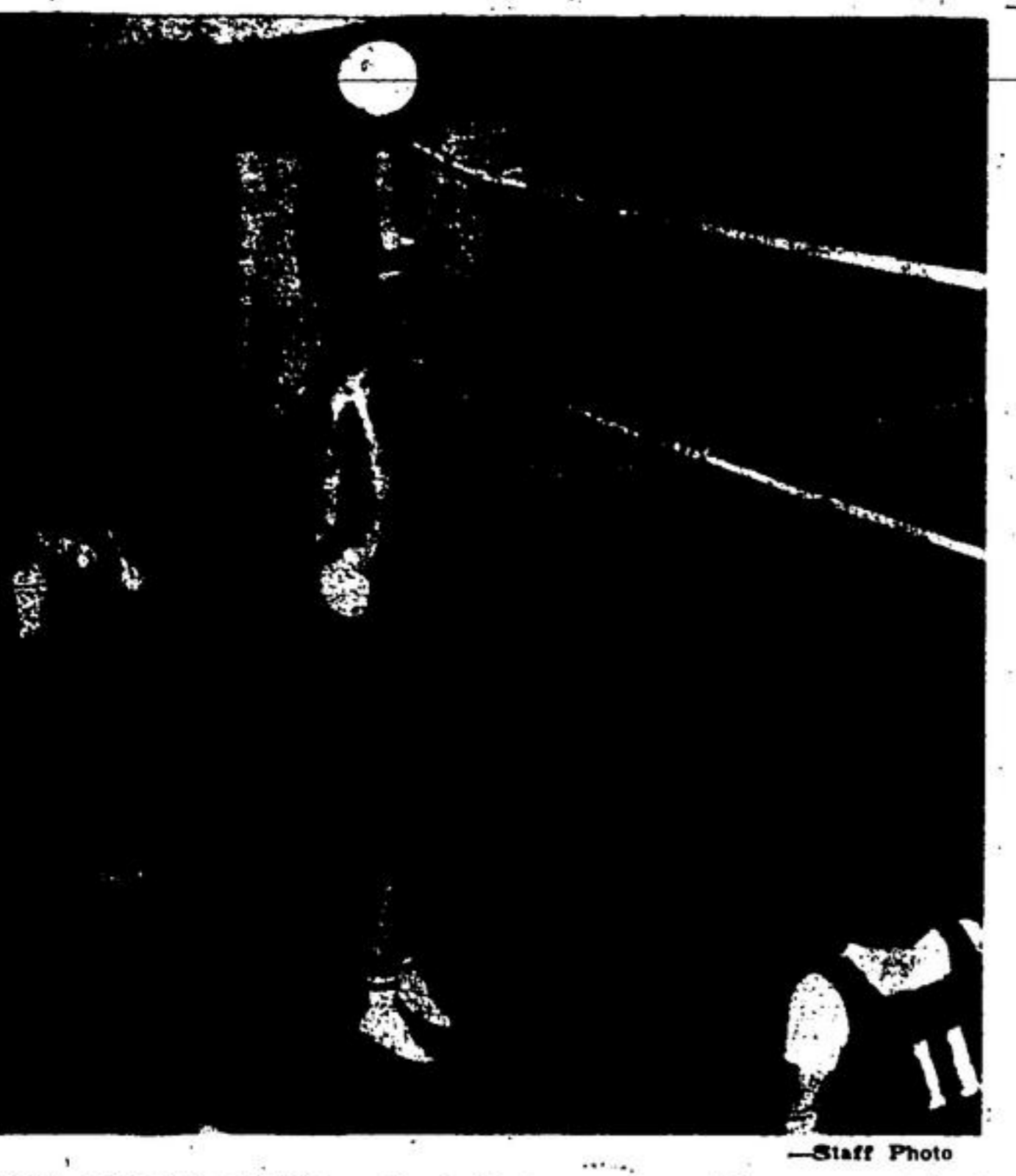
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6
10 - 11.30 a.m. — Guelph Industrial League
11.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. — Acton Tanners practice
1.45 - 3.45 p.m. — Public Skating
7-10 p.m. — Industrial League Hockey

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9
2-3 p.m. — Mothers and pre-school children Public Skating
6-10 p.m. — Tri-County Hockey Novice, Pee Wee, Bantam, Midget

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10
7-9 p.m. — Legion Minor Hockey
9-10 p.m. — Tri-County Juveniles



HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' volleyball team won a tournament last week against five teams from other schools. Some of the local goals are seen in action as they keep the ball flying over the net.