



MURRAY BLACKMAN is holding Rockwood's Michael Strong in a pretend swimming pose as Autumn Watson and Joey Demperthey of Campbellville look on.

Michael actually is a great little swimmer and already knows how to handle himself in the water like an expert.

Rockwood nips Binbrook advance against Merlin

A double by Syd Durose and a single by Chick Milne produced the winning run in the eighth inning and gave Rockwood Seniors a thrilling 4-3 win over Binbrook, last night.

The win gave Rockwood the series two games to one and advanced them into the next round of the OASA Intermediate "C" playoffs against Merlin.

First game of the series will be in Merlin this weekend, with the return game slated for Rockwood, Saturday September 5 at 8.30.

Slam homers
Jim Thatcher hit a first inning

home run for Rockwood and Mike Kelly belted a round-tripper in the eighth to tie the score 3-3.

Chick Milne had two hits for Rockwood and John Salmon, Mike Kelly, Jim Thatcher, Ted Buczek, Syd Durose and Bill Ward each collected one.

Salmon fans 14
Salmon scattered eight hits and struck out 14 Binbrook batters.

The game was a see-saw affair all the way and coach Dick Dupuis described it as "the toughest game we've ever played."

Binbrook shortstop Smith drove in all three of his team's

runs to give him a total of eight runs batted in for the series.

Fans cheer
About 100 Rockwood fans travelled to Binbrook to cheer the team to the big win.

Rockwood host Norval tomorrow (Thursday) night in the second game of their league finals. Norval won the opener Friday night 3-0.

Rockwood ousted Acton, Belwood and Aberfoyle to win the Eden Mills tournament, Saturday.

John Salmon threw a no-hitter and struck out a total of 50 batters in the three games.

Binbrook squares series defeat Rockwood 5-1

Binbrook defeated Rockwood Seniors 5-1 before a crowd of over 300 fans in Rockwood last Wednesday night, to even up their best of three OASA playoff series at one game apiece.

Binbrook pitcher Kramp struck out only three Rockwood batters, but received excellent fielding support from his mates, who turned several hard hit balls into putouts.

Shaw yields 10

The visitors touched Rockwood hurler Bob Shaw for 10 hits, although the big righthander fanned nine batters.

Binbrook took a 3-0 lead in the

fifth on a three run homer by shortstop Smith and increased their lead to 5-0 with two runs in the sixth.

Two hits for Thatcher
Rockwood scored their lone run in the seventh. Jim Thatcher picked up one of the two singles he batted out in the game, in the seventh. The hits were the only Rockwood safeties of the night.

Rockwood had the bases loaded with only one out, but could muster just one run.

Smith also bounced a drive over the fence for a ground rule double for the winners.

Rockwood friends gave Chris Schouten start

The career of 30 year old auctioneer Chris Schouten began in a milkhouse when he was farm manager for Ray Connell, M.P.P. for Wentworth North.

Schouten performed the daily chore of washing the milkers.

While he washed he chanted the familiar patter that has set auctioneers apart in this section of the province. It was a private exercise of vocal chords until a friend caught him rehearsing one day and from that point the cat was out of the bag.

He nursed the desire to become an auctioneer from the time he lived with his wife on a farm at R. R. 2, Rockwood. Schouten immigrated to Hamilton with his parents and nine other children from Holland 20 years ago.

He looks back at his sessions in the milkhouse with the amused comment that "I didn't tell anyone but I sold Mr. Connell's cows and other animals over and over again."

Auctioneering isn't just a matter of developing a chant, however. Chris took a home study course from the Missouri auction school in 1963 and listened to a record they sent until the disc was worn out.

Two years later he attended the school for three weeks and received a diploma, meanwhile practicing on the chant, which he says, is strictly up to the budding auctioneer to learn on his own.

His first big break in the auctioneering business came in 1965 when a friend, Art Nightingale of Rockwood, asked him to look after auctioning off his parents' estate.

It was a year before he got his second sale, the farm of John Ansbomb, a man he met working

at a feed mill. The sale grossed \$11,000 and he was on his way to becoming well known.

Last year Chris Schouten officiated at 60 sales, the longest of which took seven and a half hours. He gives credit to Frank Petch who taught him English and Jack Elliott, a retired auctioneer, for helping along the road to auctioneering success.

There is much more work involved in an auction than most people realize, Schouten says.

All the items listed must be sold, advertised in an attractive manner and look good to buyers on sale day. It is not just a matter of stepping up and hollering your head off.

Besides auctioneering, Chris Schouten now teams up with his brother Joe on a farm near Milton.

Gift shop to open

Esqueing Council have granted Mr. and Mrs. H. Bessem permission to build an addition on their home, to be used as a small gift shop on the condition that they produce a letter of permission from the Department of Highways, allowing them to erect a sign.

The Bessem property is located on Highway 7, across from the Cedar Springs Motel, between Acton and Georgetown.

Mrs. Bessem told council she is president of Georgetown Arts and Crafts and has already sold a few articles from her home.

COMIN'S AND GOIN'S

Obituary

Charles Anderson

Charles D. Anderson of Acton, formerly of Nassagaweya township, died in Milton District Hospital Friday, August 21.

Mr. Anderson leaves his wife Elizabeth and two children Barbara (Mrs. R. Berry), Toronto, and Irene (Mrs. Terry Cole), Guelph. A brother Fred W. of Acton and a sister, Jessie (Mrs. W. D. Robertson) Toronto, also survive.

The funeral took place Monday, August 24 from the Rumley-Shoemaker funeral home, Acton.

Pallbearers were David Robertson, Doug Robertson, John Krapek, David Williamson, George Young and Earl Lambert.

Interment was in Fairview Cemetery.

Rockwood

Health Unit in new centre

The Wellington - Dufferin - Guelph Health Unit is now operating out of new quarters, the Guelph Community Health and Medical Centre on Delhi St., Guelph.

The health unit will make use of three of the five floors in the building. The top two floors, administered by the General Hospital Board, will be leased to doctors as offices.

The unit has 12,000 square feet of the medical centre, compared to the 4,000 feet of space in the

former quarters on Edinburgh Rd.

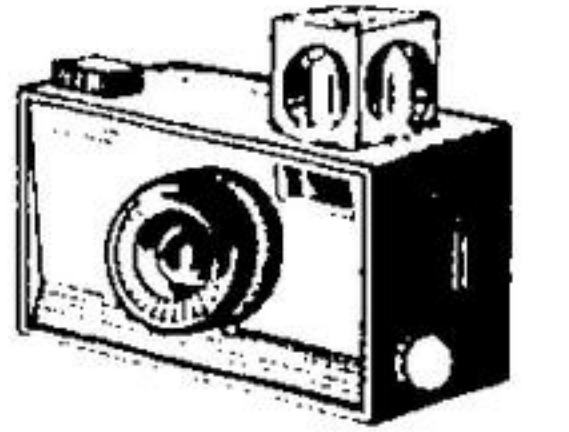
An impressive black sculptured figure "Hope" approximately eight feet high, greets visitors waiting in the bright reception area.

The cost of the building was shared by the province and the city of Guelph.

The province paid 75 per cent of the cost and the city, 25 per cent.

Ontario's minister of health, Thomas H. Wells, will officially open the new building Nov. 18.

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Picture Subject - a scene, children, animals, building, flowers etc. of general interest, taken within ten miles of Acton.

Identification and technical information (type of camera and film) to accompany each entry.

Three entries per person permitted (Children's entries welcome.)

Negatives and prints to be submitted to the Free Press so judging may be completed and large for display at the Fall Fair.

First prize \$5, three honorable mentions at \$2.50 each, up to 10 awards of \$1 each.



NOTICE!! Eramosa Residents

There will be a founding meeting of the Rockwood and area residents Ratepayers' Association on August 26, 1970, at the ROCKWOOD TOWN HALL at 7.30 p.m.

It is proposed to pass and adopt a constitution, elect directors, officers, and to discuss the proposed installation of the water and sewage works in the village of Rockwood and to take action as necessary arising out of the will of the meeting.

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