

First year

Xonks ends season

By MAGGIE HANNAH
Herald staff writer
Xonk's Drop-in Centre ended its trial run recently after eight successful weeks and organizers are now working out plans for establishing a more permanent centre in January.

The centre opened July 2 and closed August 24. It was open from 3 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 10:30 p.m. five days a week. Mrs. Creaghan said attendance was heavier during July, slumped a bit for the beginning of August, then picked up again in the last couple of weeks.

that the need for some type of drop-in centre does exist in Georgetown and she is now working on getting a home for the centre and funds to run it.

"I have an executive committee working on getting things organized," she said. "I need to rest a bit and get the things I learned straightened out in my mind before I get too involved with the new centre. I've set a January opening date as my goal for the new centre. We can't move too fast. We have to have everything planned out well before we open."

During the coming weeks Mrs. Creaghan said she and

her committee members will be following up letters which went to service clubs in the spring asking for their support with the project. They are also prepared to speak to groups wanting more information on the proposed centre.

Mrs. Creaghan said she doesn't know how she will keep youngsters informed of progress on the centre but she will try to keep the local press up to date on events and hopes that the youngsters won't get discouraged by the wait.

"I hope they don't think we've deserted them," she said. "I just haven't figured out a way of keeping in touch with them. But we will."

Nan Creaghan, the centre's chief organizer, said she felt the centre had a "very good summer". An average of 15 youngsters in the 12 to 16 years old age bracket showed up daily and seemed to be getting what they came looking for since many of them returned again and again.

DROP OFF
"Attendance seemed to drop off early in August," she said. "I think a lot of families were away on holidays. But the kids came drifting back after they got home again."

The fact that so many youngsters not only came, but kept coming back regularly proved Mrs. Creaghan's belief

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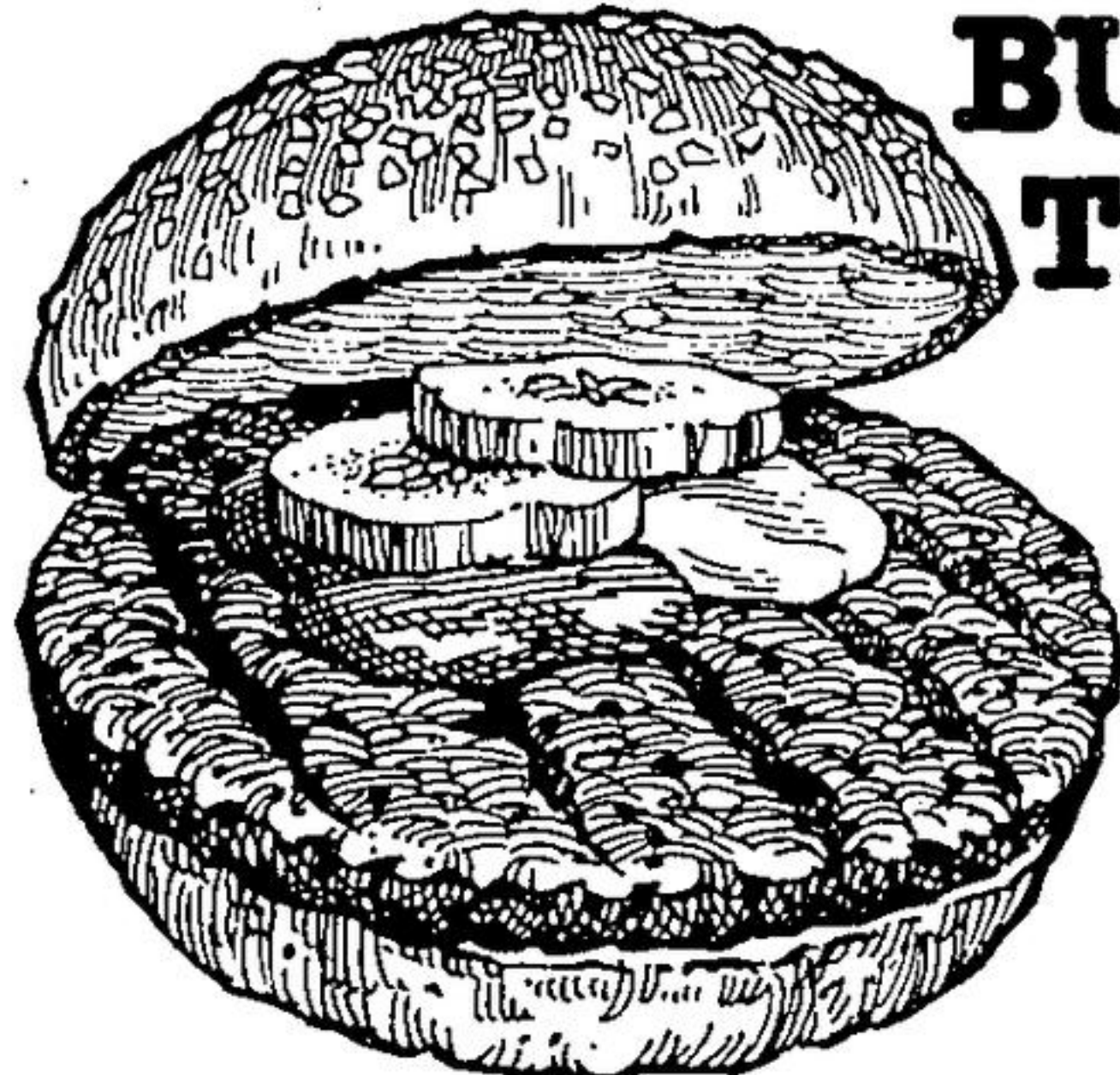
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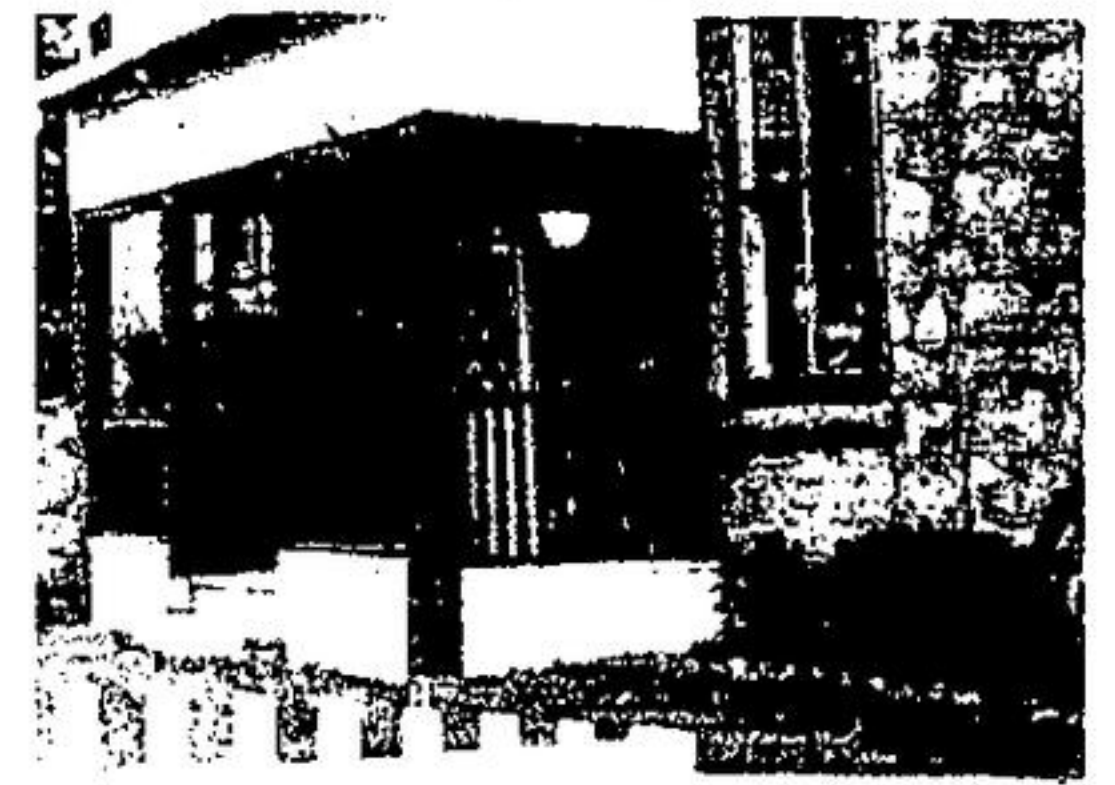
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