

Ontario Outdoors

By R.C. (BOB) OLLIVIER

News of a bad pressure crack at Holland River. This is only one of several bad cracks on Lake Simcoe this year, as I mentioned in last week's Ontario Outdoors. With the huts off the ice now, it is to be expected, not that the huts make any difference, but the time of year is right. The Ministry of Natural Resources set the date of Mar. 15 to remove the ice huts from past experience and knowledge of the cracks and general break-up of the ice.

The Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters has elected a new executive at the recent 52nd annual convention. Doug Ogstrom of Sudbury is now president after being a Federation Director for eleven years, and to assist him is first vice-president Jim Hooks of Kenora. Second vice president Barry Newton is from Kitchener. Treasurer will be Don Longmore, another Sudbury member.

At the convention the \$1,000 Molson Research grant in Sports Fisheries was presented to Peter F. Hulsman for his work in acid rain effects on the reproduction of Walleye.

MAPLE SYRUP

The Credit Valley Conservation Authority begins its Maple Syrup Festival at the Orangeville Reservoir Conservation area, March 15 at 10 a.m. Full family fun with a full program on maple syrup, a wildlife exhibit and the opportunity to buy the many maple syrup products.

Here is a date that everyone should take note of: JUNE 7, 1980. This is Ontario Pitch-in Day, sponsored by the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, and is intended to encourage everyone to help with the anti-pollution and anti-litter campaign of that worthwhile organization.

If your group wishes more information on how they may help, please contact me direct at 25 Carole Street, Georgetown, Ont. L7G 3X5 or the O.F.A.H., P.O. Box 28, Peterborough, Ont. K9J 6Y5, and ask for information on Ontario Pitch-In Day. Start now and keep it before your friends and club members. School classes welcome and encouraged.

Just a reminder of the Isaac Walton Fly Fishing Club forum on Mar. 28-30 at the Holiday Inn, Toronto



Award winning sitting ducks, or decoys as they are known. (Herald photo)

Airport. News and details from Cecil Swannell, 2322 Pyramid Cres., Mississauga, L5K 1C9.

LATEST SHOWS

Now as promised the news of the latest shows arranged by the Canadian National Sportsmen's Shows. The Toronto Photo Show, April 17 to 20. "Canada - a Holiday in Pictures" is a multi-media spectacular put on by Kodak. There will be daily technical and learning demonstration, clinics, travel films and a full program of information and entertainment. Photography experts will be on hand with flash and portraiture clinics and all the answers you need. Lots more to see and do there so book these dates.

The 33rd Toronto Sportsmen's Show is expecting over a quarter million visitors with appeal to all ages and interests. Free flying birds of prey will be presented once again by local Falconer Ulrich Waterman. Toronto Anglers and Hunters displays and program is always varied and a must at the show.

The annual decoy carving contest is a highlight of the show and of course they still have the Trout Pond where you may catch a live trout, although this year they added a new twist; barbless hooks. After seeing the way some people attempted to snag fish in the pond the last few years, it is a good move.

Still a good chance to get a trout and the proceeds go to the conservation projects of the Toronto Anglers and Hunters, so don't miss it. The times of the show are noon Friday, March 14, weekdays noon to 10:30 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., Sundays 1 p.m. to 9 p.m.

In the arena Professor FUTZ and his band of NUTZ should entertain the entire family and provide a chance to rest your feet in the stands after all that walking.

RED FISHER

The Toronto Star Outdoor Show will of course feature John Power and also Red Fisher. Don't miss this as there are always a variety of activities, and the Ontario Out-of-Doors magazine will be showing how to fillet a fish. Of course all the boats and vehicles that may deem necessary for their outdoor enjoyment and the quiet canoes for those who wish to have it quiet.

Hope to see you there, and don't forget to buy a program in order not to miss anything. Spring is nearly here and I am looking forward to a pleasant walk in the woods with an interesting companion, enjoying our ONTARIO OUTDOORS together.

Ladies soccer begins tonight

Tonight (Wednesday) at Harrison Public School, Rexway Drive, the Georgetown senior girls' first soccer practice takes place for this coming season. Ladies wish-

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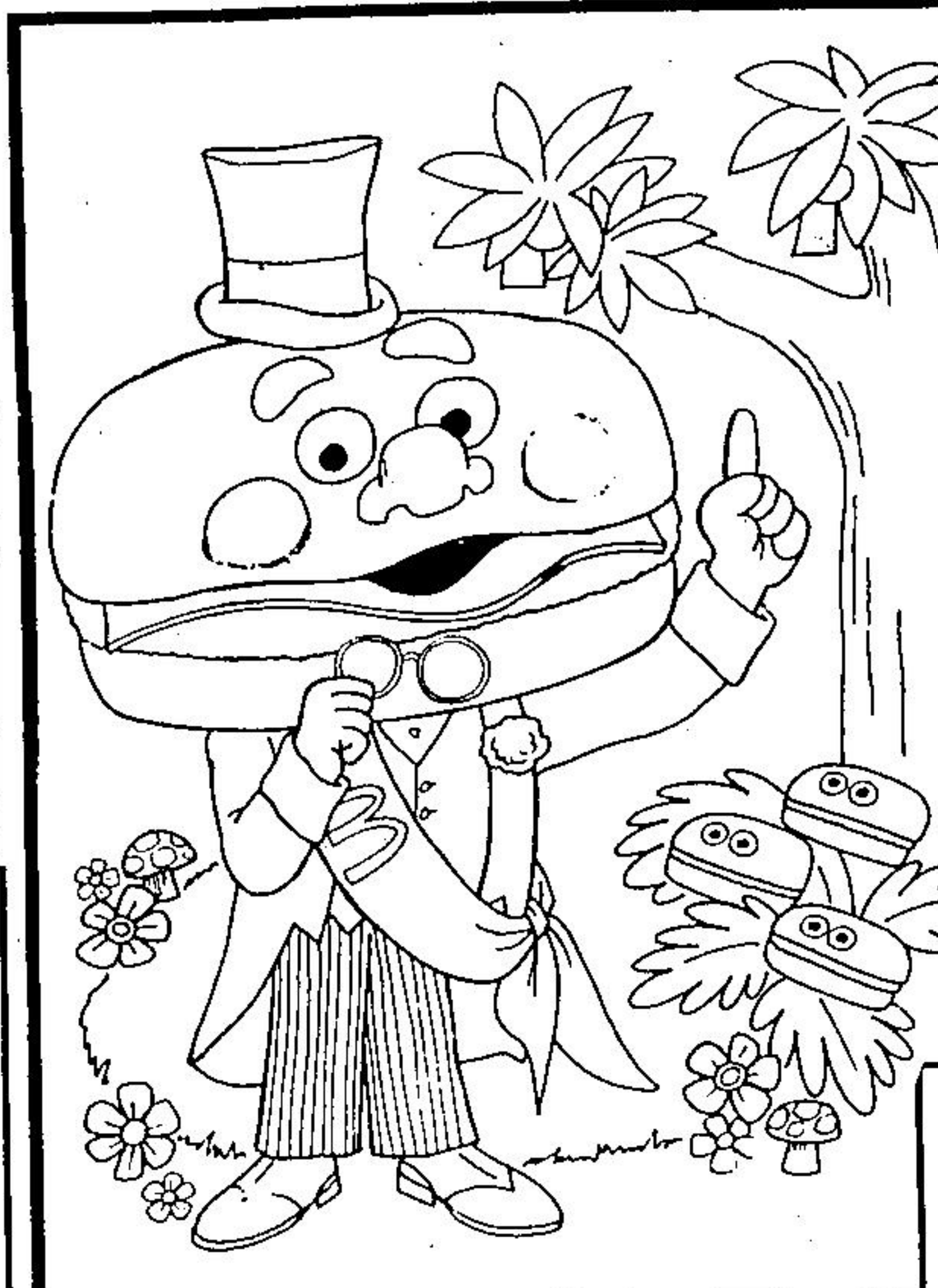
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