

## Trout season opens Saturday

Further to the recent open house held at the Georgetown Canadian Tire store, in order to better evaluate the program, I am offering a prize for the best letter received.

Just let me know what you liked best, and what you would like to see next time. Address all letters to me, at 25 Carole Street, Georgetown, Ont. L7G 3X5. Deadline is April 30th, and out of the over 450 persons I talked to April 19th, there should be some good comment.

TROUT SEASON opens this Saturday. The time is 12:01 Saturday morning, and not Friday. Anyone fishing before that time should be reported to the Conservation officer at (519) 658-9356. Call through the operator and ask it to be placed as a collect call if you wish.

Report description of person, make and colour of car, location, and any other pertinent information you can record. Report a poacher, stop a thief. The often asked question is where to fish on opening day. If you do not wish to travel up to the well known areas around Meaford or Owen Sound etc., then try the local conservation areas. Kelso is always a favourite, as are the ponds at Terra Cotta conservation area. Belfountain and Monora, the latter near Orangeville are stocked and even though busy there should be lots of fish.

### ONLY THREE

Remember that Conservation areas usually have a three fish limit, and you can be charged if over that limit. The many streams around Georgetown, and Acton always have lots of fishermen on opening day, and these are usually there before first light. Better to bypass these small streams first day, unless you want to get ahead of the crowd, and take your chances. Once a fisherman has tromped the stream, the fish are often down for a while. However, it can be very productive.

Remember the stream at Stewarttown is now off limits, and don't get caught trespassing just for a few fish. The main Credit River will be HOT. Fish wise that is, not temperature. Once again, watch for trespassing. One of the landowners near Terra Cotta on the Credit told me to warn fishermen that they will be watching their property, as is their right. Avoid trouble with the law, and fish where open to public.

How are you going to fish? Don't just dunk a fat dew worm and expect to catch fish. If worm fishing try an earth worm instead. Hook it once on a fine wire hook, and drift with current deep into holes. Sure you will lose hooks, but you will also catch a lot of fish. Trout need cover, and find it under log jams and such.

If using a spinner, try a Zero Mepps Black Fury, unless fishing for large Rainbow trout in the Credit. Then try



## Ontario Outdoors

By R. C. (BOB) OLLIVIER

A Number two or even a three. The use of a minnow either alone or on a spinner is often a good bet for early season fishing. That is why the Mepps Mino is a hot lure at this time of year, for trout and even Walley when the season opens.

For the fly fisherman, the pro or expert has his own ideas, and I can not give him any advice, he just would not take it. However, there are always those who wish to learn. The newcomer to the sport of fly fishing can always heed a little advice. I am not an expert, and hope I never am, then all the learning will have gone.

### TRY A NYMPH

Try a nymph at this early date. Fly hatches at this time of year are few and far between, although there are enough to provide the expert with an interesting day on the streams. If you see a hatch, try to match it, otherwise stick with the nymph. A Hares Ear Nymph, preferably the gold rib style has always been on my tip in the early season.

Others have produced but not as well, often producing as many as forty rainbows in a morning's fishing, and there are a great many witnesses to this feat. A few derbies are available to the earnest fisherman. The 7th annual St. Catharines' Salmon Derby runs April 24th to May 16th with over \$20,000 in merchandise prizes. The species are Chinook, Coho, Brown trout, Rainbow and Lake trout. Owen Sound has a derby, as do a few other small local areas in "rainbow country".

Many persons have asked me about the annual Perch Festival in Orillia. This runs from April 19th to May 8th and offers \$8,000 in prizes. Not bad for the lowly perch. The main idea is to get out and fish this weekend, and make the most of the fine weather. Just remember to obey fish and game laws as well as trespass laws. Make a good impression, and improve our image.

At Easter time the Georgetown girls hockey team played in the 15th Dominion Ladies Hockey Tournament held at Meadowvale's four rinks.

Two goals each by captain Lisa Allen and assist captain

Elaine Hughes powered the team to a 6-1 win over the Queensway.

Jodi Reebles and Claire Carter-McDowall scored one each. The team skated real good and outplayed Queensway.

In the second game Georgetown played Oakville. This team was made up of three teams from the league that Georgetown played in.

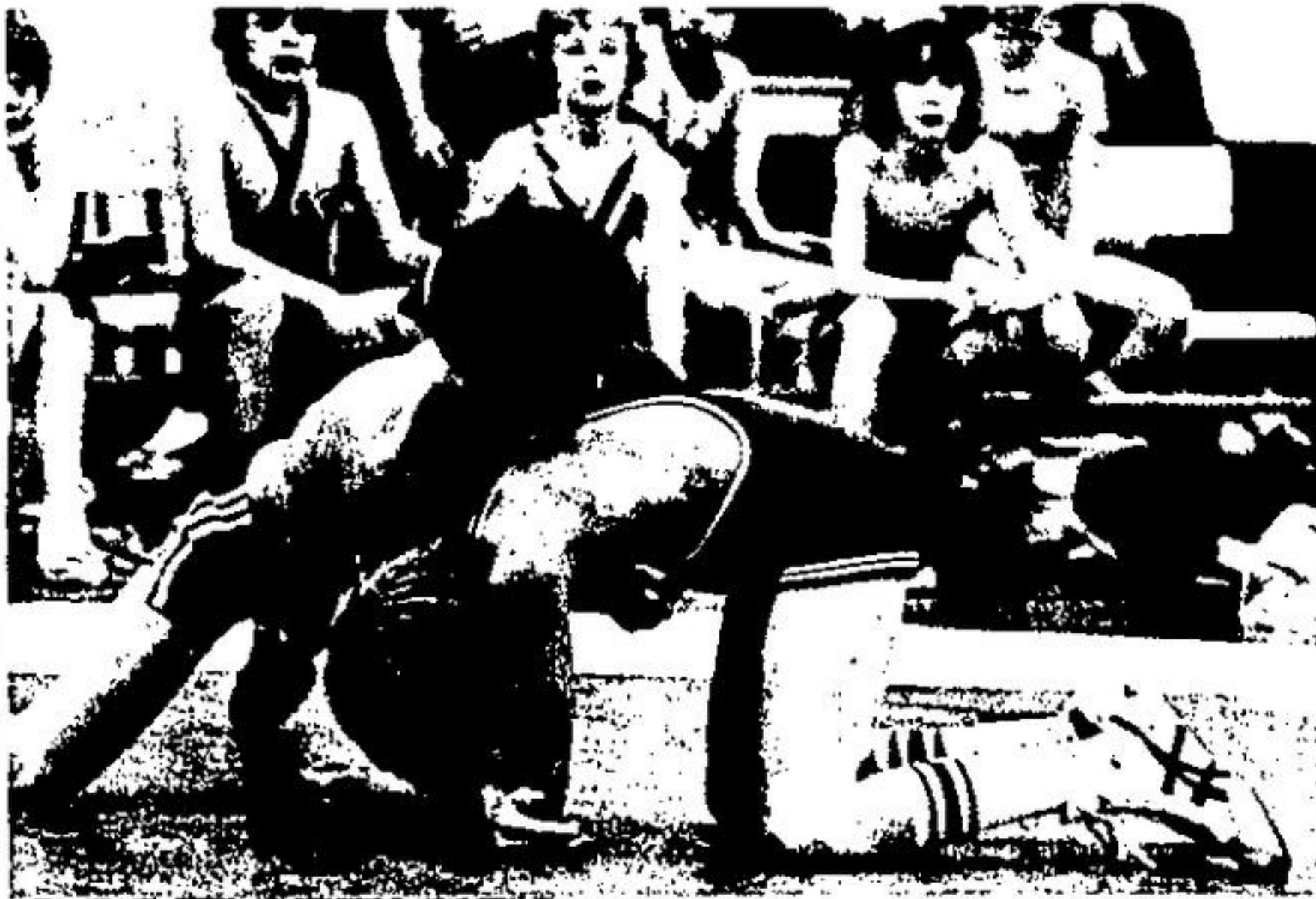
For three periods and one five-minute overtime, the score was 0-0. In a shootout Oakville outscored them 2-1.

Elaine Hughes was the only player to score.

Georgetown outplayed Oakville in every department and only the goalie saved them.

Every player was outstanding in this game with the Georgetown goalie playing her best game of the year. It was too bad that it ended the season for them.

## Girls hockey win 6-1 vs. Queensway



Centennial Middle School wrestlers hosted a meet last Saturday for schools in Halton. More information on the meet in Friday's paper.

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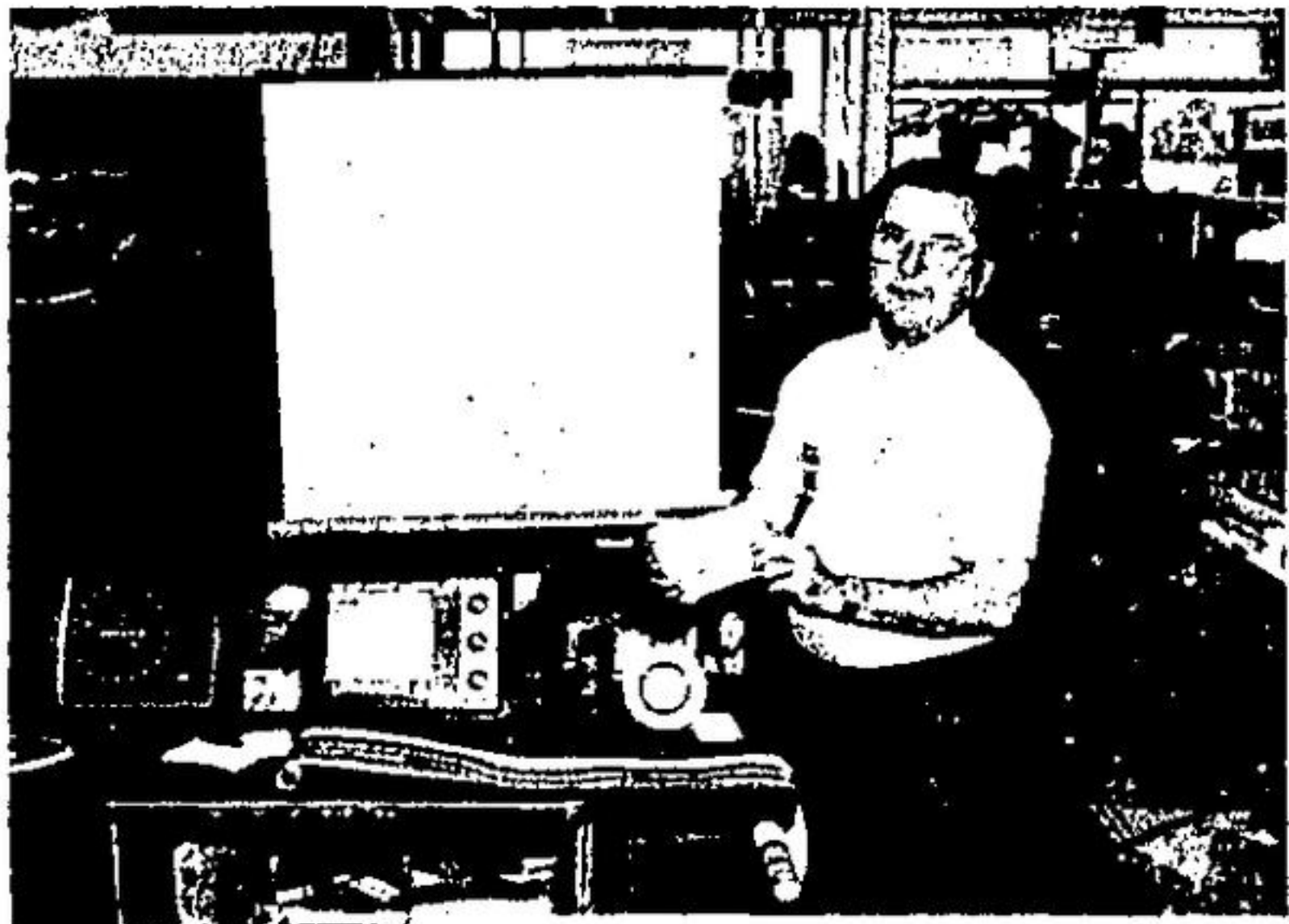
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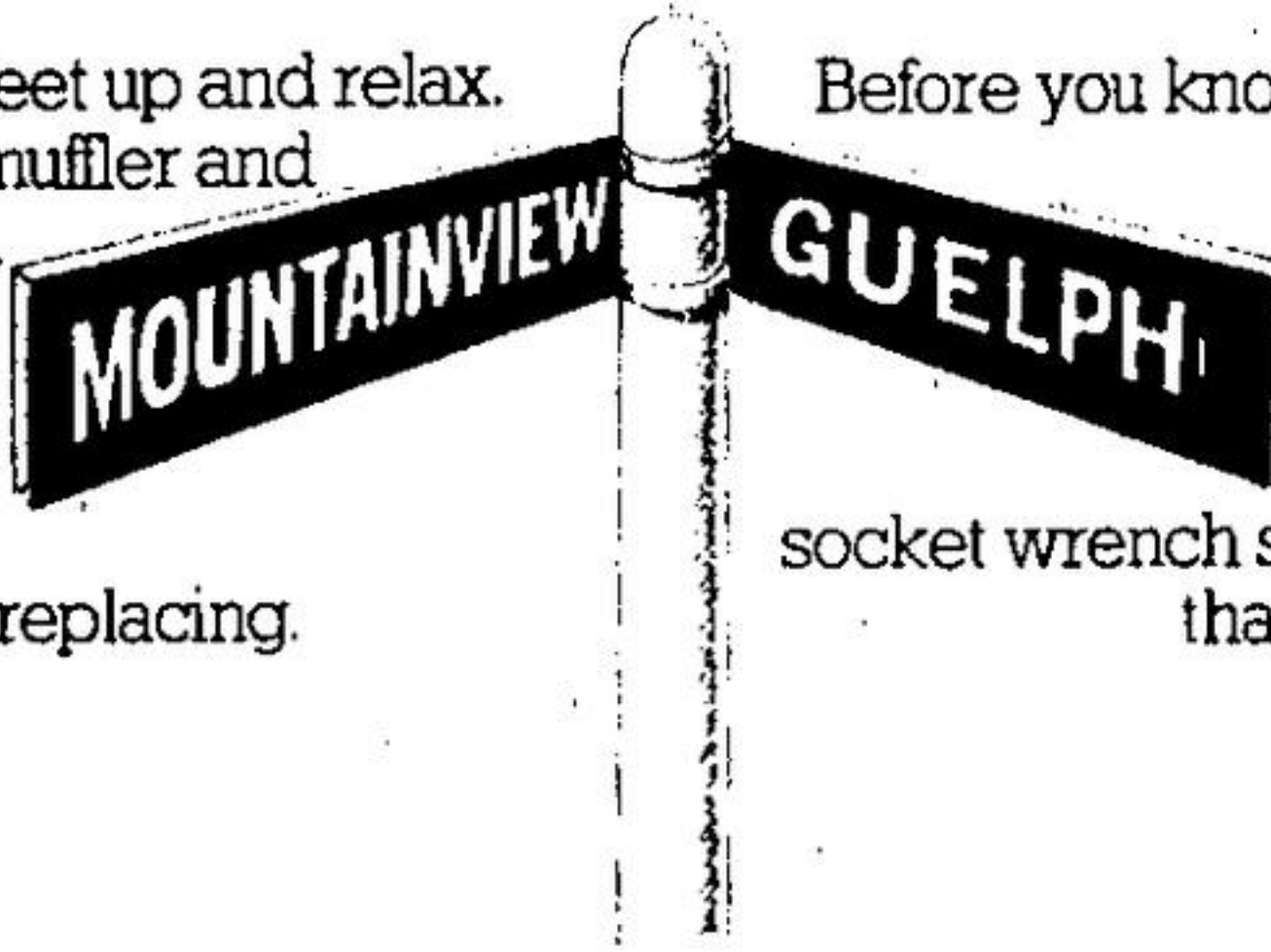
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