



Ontario Outdoors

Perch running in Orillia

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One of the problems of taking a vacation is the mail piles up so badly. Of course lots of it is outdated by the time I get back last week, but there are still some items of interest. There was an invitation to England in June to EFTTEX '82, the newly formed European Fishing Tackle Trade Association first international exhibition in Birmingham, U.K.

Looks interesting, but I just came back from there. It will be a good one to keep an eye on though. A little closer to home, the Ontario reports of contaminants in fish shows a testing of 70,000 fish to provide a guide to anglers. Get your copy from ministries of the environment, or natural resources. Ask for Guide to Eating Ontario Sport Fish, no charge.

SPLAKE STOCKING

The ministry of natural resources are stocking Splake in the North Bay area. A total of six lakes will be stocked in the district, in an attempt to build fish stocks there. The ministry will also use "wild" parent rainbow trout to bolster stocks.

These fish will be taken from the Ganaraska and Bothwells creeks, and a total of 120 rainbows will undergo extensive tests to see if they match up to accepted standards for propagating a strong, disease-free or resistant strain.

Yes, the perch are running. Shand Dam at Forgas as well as the usual areas such as Lake Simcoe are all producing bumper crops. The perch derby at Orillia is hosting about 1,000 entries and all are taking perch. The smelt runs have been, and are, good to excellent. When the

complete details on this excellent program.

BLACK CREEK SPECIAL
This Sunday, Mother's Day, is special at Black Creek Pioneer Village. The family admission price will be reduced to half price in honor of Mothers. Lots to see and do for the family, so why not treat mother to a day out.

Trout fishing has been fair to poor in this area. The large rainbow trout have not reached this far upstream in any numbers. A few have been taken, but this week will see good numbers arrive, and the fishing improve. The pond at Terra Cotta Conservation area has not been stocked. When I came back from Europe the phone had been busy asking what had happened.

The reason is the Ministry of Natural Resources claimed they had run out of fish and money. Hence the stocking did not take place. Belfontain was stocked and Terra Cotta will be stocked in mid-May. Trout fishing has been the best in years around Owen Sound and the other well known areas and should remain so for a couple of weeks.

The Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters is still working for better firearms legislation. Warren Almond is still pushing his private members bill C-451 and the 28,000 member OFAH is still opposing it. The bill would make criminals out of law abiding citizens.

Many fishermen have asked me about the "new" triple fish lines. These lines are not new, and have been produced since 1949 in Germany. If you wish further details I will try to show Triple Fish at my next open house. Dates to be released shortly, along with location.



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smelt are in, the rainbow and salmon are not far behind, getting a free meal.

Parents, want your children involved in a program of conservation and environmental study? The Halton Region Conservation Authority has a Summer Resource Program for children ages 8-12. Call them at (416) 878-4131 for

Girls hockey

The Georgetown girls hockey team ended their season with a dinner hosted by captain Lisa Allen.

Coach John Reyce and manager Doreen Dobbins were presented with trophies from the girls in appreciation of their dedication to the team over the season.

Coach Reyce presented the rookie of the year award to Laurie Sears and the Lady Byng to Dianne Taylor.

Clare McDowell and Jodi Peebles shared the most improved player award and Lisa Allen received a trophy as the most valuable player.

A larger executive from two teams

A bigger executive would ensure more work could be done and the talent from management would build on the resources from two hockey centres.

Many small details would have to be worked out if the two teams were to amalgamate. A number of potential problem areas would have to be ironed out before a firm commitment could be made on either side.

Questions still to be answered: where would the games be played, when would they be played? Could the two executives join and form one harmonious group? Is it important to maintain a Georgetown-Acton rivalry, or should Halton Hills press for a Halton Hills-Burlington rivalry or a Halton Hills-Milton rivalry?

There has even been some talk about the difference in ice surfaces. Former Gemini captain Bill Taylor says he doesn't think any players would mind playing in the

other town's rink. In fact, it would probably mean more ice time for practices, Taylor says.

Taylor says it wouldn't be as easy to make a Halton Hills team for the players so that only the very determined and highly motivated hockey players with a good attitude would be chosen.

Although a merger would perhaps cause a loss of individual town identity, a Halton Hills team could do much to make both centres feel more a part of one another, such as how the Grey Cup in Canadian football gives our nation a unique identity from coast to coast competition.

Amalgamation is favored by a number of hockey minds from both the Acton and Junior B hockey Georgetown executives. We'll have to wait and see whether or not the obstacles can be overcome within the next few weeks.



In the men's A division final of the Georgetown Racquet club's annual year-end competition, Dr. Boyd Hodginott (right) emerged the champion, defeating Terry Madill (left) in a hard-fought contest.

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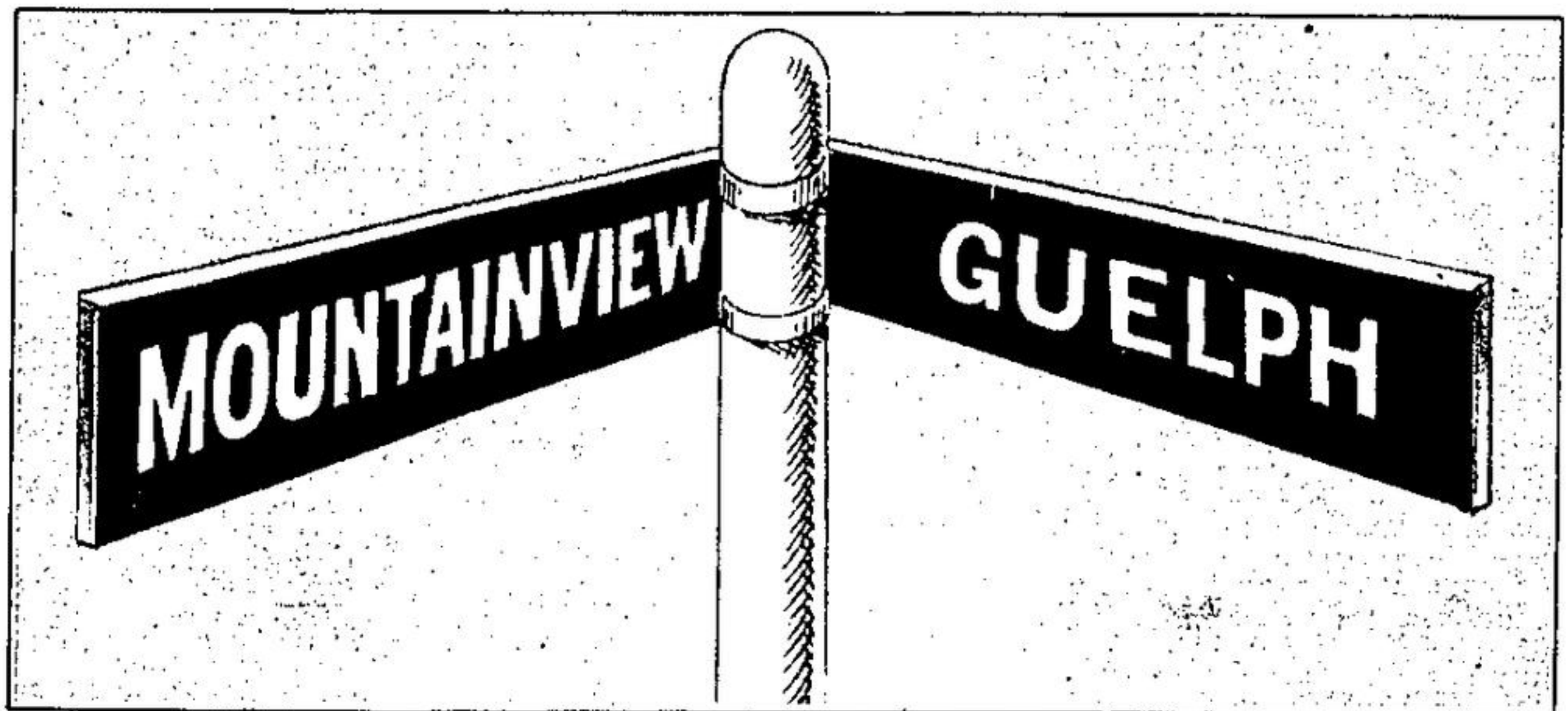
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