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Mines Minister **Presents Lease**

The Hon. Ontario Hodgson, Ontario Minister of Mines, will be at the Rockhound Gemboree, on August 3, 1995, at 11:00 a.m., to present a.m., to present the Bancroft and District Chamber of Commerce with a mining lease for the Bear Lake Diggings mineral collecting site.

The Rockhound Gemboree will be held in the North Hastings Community Centre in Bancroft.

roft.
This type of lease is the first of its kind for the Ministry. Mr. Hodgson will hand over the lease to Sharon Holman, president of the Chamber of Com-Chamber of commerce, and after a few words from for Hastings-Peterborough, and Lloyd Churchill, Warden of Hast-ings, all will ings, all ... tour the Gemboree

Chris and perhaps even try their hand at panning for gold.

The Bear Lake Diggings is a popular collecting site known throughout the continent for its outstanding specimens of apatite, tit-anite, and horn-blende. The Chamber will operate this site as a "fee-for-collecting" location. This is one aspect of the Chamber's continuing effort to promote tourism in the North Hastings - Éastern Haliburton region through the mineral collecting lobby. The

Rockhound Gemboree, Canada's largest gem and mineral show, is in its 32nd year. Held on the Civic Holiday weekend each year, it runs from August 3rd to 6th this year. The

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Legion Ball Tournament - Rain Or Shine

By Stewart Smith

The Bancroft Legion Three Pitch tournament, held on the Bancroft ball field on Friday, Saturuay, Sunday, July 20 to 23, ended as a event, in day, Saturday, and the early afternoon of Sunday.

But the teams continued to play the Championship games. Players were soaking wet -so wet that they did not mind run-ning through the puddles forming near every base. Mind you, sliding was a painful as well as muddy af-fair - as some players discovered.

Eighteen teams entered the tournament. In the first round:

* Star Flight defeated B.K. Outerwear;

* Canadian Tire defeated Wild Thing;



Pitcher, stay on that mound! It's the only dry place in sight! Despite the constant rain, the Legion Three Pitch tournament continued, and finished on time, on July 23.

* Subway defeated Dixie Lee;

* McCaskie's de-Bruisers;

* The High Flyers defeated Bride's Gate;

* Young's Logging defeated Coe Hill;

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Affections of May

"The Affections of May," the secthe second offering of Theatrics Summer Playhouse, of Bancroft, is being presented three more nights, as you read this article.

You still have a change to see it. But you should reserve your seats immediately. Even

on Opening Night, wednesday, July 26, this was playing to a close full house.
The audience is

impressed with the professional standards of setting, lights, sound, and actors. Everything is done to perfection. Even the 8 pictures on the wall of the stage see page 5

BANCROFT COUNCIL

Bancroft Council met on July 24. Monday,

STATION STREET With distress, Bancroft read a copy of a letter sent to Stirling, warning of major

roads cuts. "The overall program cut to the Municipal Roads Program for the current year has been established at \$74 million.

By Stewart Smith \$34 million will come from normal program underexpenditures. other \$40 million will come from a 50% reduction in 1995 allocation for all projects under the following three munici-pal roads sub programs: Major Special Projects, Highway Connection Link Construction and Small Lower

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Yes - Go Jump in the Lake!



What better place to go on these hot days of summer - remember, we waited all year for these hot days - than the beach. This is Paudash Beach, also called North Bay Beach, on Paudash Lake, and maintained by Cardiff Town-ship. Cailey Anderson is enjoying the water, and inviting us in.

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