



## Sports Ramblings

WITH BRUCE HOOD

**A MOTION BY** Len Andrews, Campbellville's Mr. Baseball, at the annual Halton County Baseball Association meeting has caused some nasty actions around the county in the past few weeks.

With a view to bettering the fan interest through the regular schedule of the Intermediate baseball league the Campbellville delegate suggested a new system for declaring the winner in the various classifications. His idea was to have the club who finished on top in the group they were entered into, at the conclusion of the schedule by the representative for that bracket.

This idea seemed sensible in that each and every game a club played through the year was important and should be won. The difference being that in other years a club go along all year without winning a game and still see playoff action regardless.

The vote on the motion was very close we understand but it was passed. Now quite a few clubs are wishing they hadn't heard of the idea. Oakville, for instance, who have a fairly good ball club but got off to a bad start and are now hot, will probably be by the wayside under this ruling. Brampton is currently holding a pretty good margin and with both entries in A Major the top choice will probably be the Flowertowners.

Now along comes Campbellville who are sitting on top of the league with only three losses to date and they are to be in the same category. Being as they are ahead of both Oakville and Brampton they will be the club to go on while the two remaining clubs will hang up their gear after this Monday when all eight clubs see action, six for the last time in the schedule. (The only game left after this date is the Milton at Waterdown encounter Friday.)

Milton has few worries other than their playing qualities, which after a terrific surge at the beginning of the schedule have been somewhat erratic over the past few weeks. They are classed in a bracket all by themselves ("B") while in "A" either Acton or Dundas will go on. In "C" Bronte will be the club with Waterdown falling by the wayside with a poor win, loss record. Both Waterdown and Bronte incidentally are using players which come from within the new boundaries of Burlington but due to the fact they have been with the clubs for a number of years they are allowed to stay in "C".

A possible round robin series between the three A Major clubs (Campbellville, Brampton and Oakville) which would be contradictory to the league ruling has been suggested and a meeting to deal with the fracas has apparently been called by the league heads.

The only league playoff which all teams entered are eligible for is the Halton County title to decide the winner of the league for the holder of the trophy which was donated by a Dr. Buck of Palermo quite a few years ago.

In other years the two top teams played off for the honour but this year the top four finishers will vie for the title.

August 29 is the deadline for the clubs to be ready to go into the O.B.A. playdowns where there are five entries in the A Major; six in "A"; seven in "B"; and eight in "C", from across the province.

### SPORTOPICS

The **Red Sox** are going to be without old reliable Art Melanson for the next three weeks. Art is flying home to Nova Scotia where his mother lives at Dominion. Another localite has been down that way during the past couple of weeks and that is Jackie Price who also hails from the eastern province. The Red Sox had as many as ten men away on vacation at one time during this week and were forced to use some of the junior squad to fill in. Doug Kelson and Doug McCutcheon played golf with an old Milton hockey star over the weekend at Trafalgar. Earl Fox was the chap. The junior baseball club is idle for a couple of weeks for the holiday season and they will be getting started in the Halton County Junior playoffs with Carlisle. Carlisle is another club affected by the population of the town of Burlington but it being their first year in junior baseball they are allowed to draw from the area. We received a card from the holidaying Knights at Lake Placid. On it is a picture of the arena where there is ice skating the year around. Jim and Stu Hannant are regular commuters every night after golfing in the daytime then a swim and away to the rink. Quite a setup!

Ross Holmes had his horse, Dr. Barton, racing at Woodbine yesterday for the third outing this year with a win and a finish out of the money to date up until yesterday. Danny MacDonald who stables his horses at the fairgrounds had a winner Monday at Woodbine which paid \$99 in a photo finish. Red Holmes, who has eleven horses in his stable had two out yesterday as did MacDonald. Stan Love is at Hamburg in the states with his two horses with Ted Eves, another local horseman, also at Hamburg.

**HOW ABOUT THAT:** A fisherman got such a reputation for stretching the truth that he bought a pair of scales and insisted on weighing every fish he caught, in the presence of a witness. One day a doctor borrowed the fisherman's scales to weigh a newborn baby. The baby weighed 47 pounds.

# Late Inning Rally Gives Oaks 12-10 Win Over Sox

A three run ninth inning rally gave the third place Oakville Oaks a 12-10 win over the fourth place Milton Red Sox in a regular scheduled game of the Halton County Baseball League Sunday afternoon.

The short handed Red Sox enjoyed a comfortable 8-2 lead in the first four innings before the Oaks rallied with five big runs in the top of the fifth.

Big Pete Kennedy highlighted the rally with a long home run to right centre field with two mates aboard. Trailing 8-7 in the seventh the Oaks moved ahead with a pair of runs on two hits and left fielder "Pork" Gervais' error.

**Pesky Sox**  
The pesky Red Sox bounced right back in the eighth to take a 10-9 lead. Doug Kelson drew a walk to open the inning, Art Melanson singled, Glen Dance followed with a single to left field. Both runners scored as left fielder Pete Kennedy committed a two base error on the play. Dance was out trying to stretch his hit. He was nipped at third base on a close play.

The visitors sewed up the game with a three run burst in the ninth on singles by Hall, Dryden, Coolich and a sacrifice by Murray Scott. The Sox threatened in the bottom of the ninth when Don South walk-

### Pee Wees Shut Out Georgetown 5 to 0

The pee wee baseball all stars stayed on the win trail Friday night, recording a 5-0 shut-out over Georgetown in the paper town. Ron Naylor, top left-hander for Milton, was the winning pitcher, going the route with little trouble. The locals now hold a 7-0 win-loss record.

# New Boundaries Accepted Red Sox Left Unchallenged

The Ontario Baseball Association met Sunday at Newcastle, north of Toronto, for their regular monthly get-together. Included in the business session was the question of the population of the town of Burlington, a question that has awaited answering by the governing body for some weeks now.

There has been some heated debate in past weeks as to the status of the Campbellville Merchants in the Halton County league. The answer to the question of whether the new boundaries which have been in force for some two years now, taking in the township of Nelson and part of Wentworth county, or if for baseball purposes the old boundaries were the accepted ruling, has been awaited by Oakville, Brampton and Milton in particular and Campbellville also.

**No Other Solution**  
There was very little question about the ruling laid down by the top dogs who, in stating that the

town is accepted as it stands today, could see no other solution.

Jack Carson, second vice-president of the Association, from Belleville, pointed out that there had been some question by the Belleville entry about similar conditions there, in which the town had annexed some outlying areas and had increased the population there, stepping them into a higher category without giving them even one extra ball player. They were of the opinion that the same boundaries as were in effect the year previous should be recognized which would also mean the population bracket being lower.

Almost every town across the country has witnessed this upsurge in population, it was pointed out, and if there was an allowance made in each case, population brackets might as well be thrown out the window.

**Adds to Population**  
Drawing a player from the town of Burlington therefore adds to the

population of the community the player joins, some 30,000 people in the case of Campbellville, where Jack Price, who lives in what was Nelson township (now Burlington) is a star second sacker.

Campbellville haven't really got too many worries on the subject, especially with the lead they have piled up as top club in the eight team Halton county loop, but an apparent misunderstanding on the rulings of the population of Burlington has caused quite a turmoil.

Both Oakville and Brampton are fretting about the news of Campbellville having to move in to their 'A Major' bracket, while the Milton Red Sox are quietly giving a big sigh of relief with the move, which leaves them unchallenged in the 'B' slot.

Also included at the meeting was the distributing of the team categories for the O.B.A. playoffs, with the local clubs receiving notice of the date they must be ready for the playoffs.

FOLLOWING THE **STOX** with Merv, Norm, Geo. & Don

Last Saturday at Bridgeport Merv placed second in his heat and eighth in the class A semi-finals. Just before he left the track in the semi the crown gear broke so he didn't make the feature of the night.

The boys had a complete new rear end in the car and had it already to go at Pinecrest on Tuesday night. Merv had a very good night. He finished second in his heat, fourth in the semi-finals and seventh in the Big feature. Merv is now holding his own in fourth place in the total point standing.

Jim Howard arrived late with his new car but to the delight of the crowd made a real good showing. Without even a trial run he went on the track and got a second and fourth which is doing well for a new car.

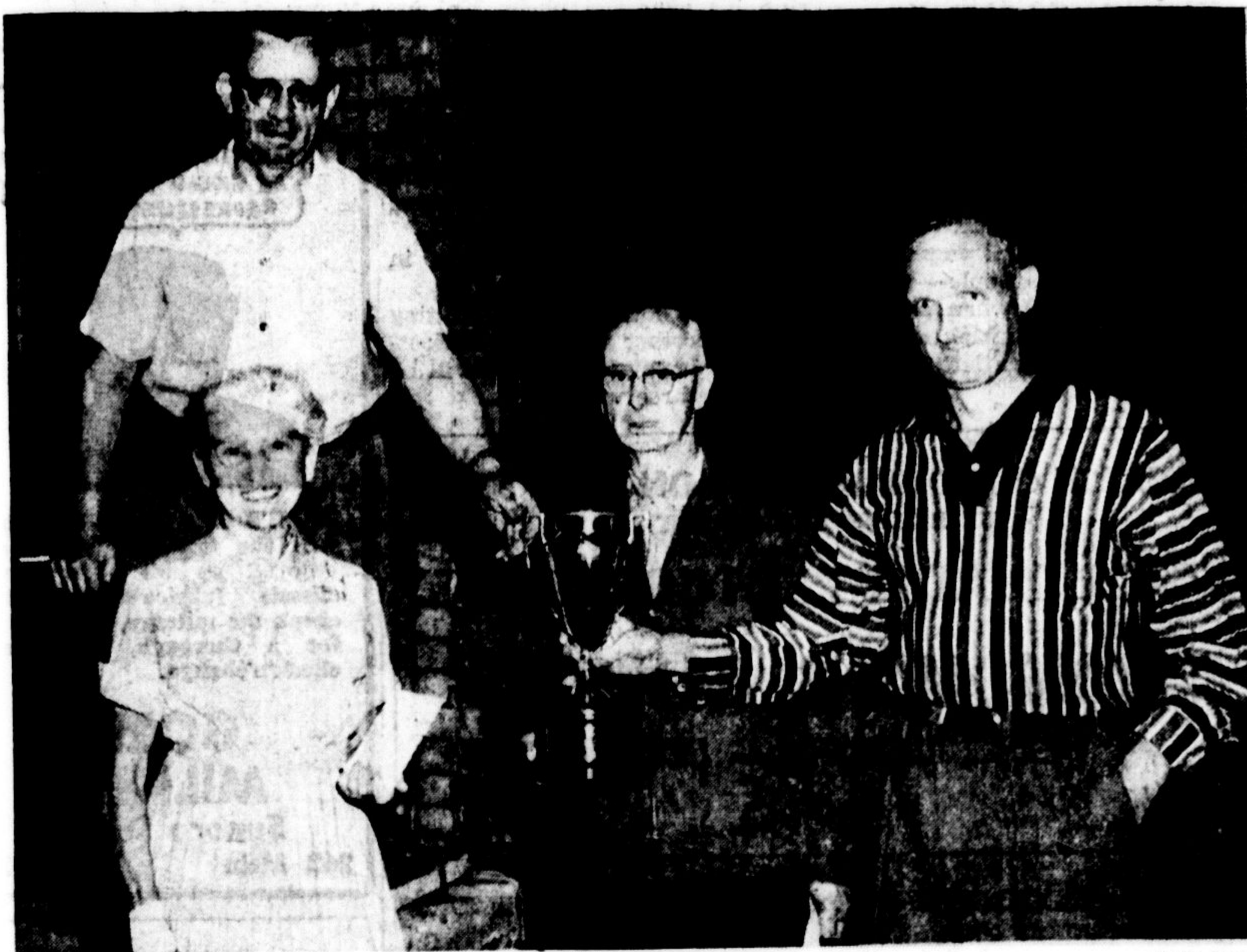
Norm Coulter didn't make the night's racing as he didn't have his car fixed up after last week's smash up.

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**VICTORIOUS BOWLERS** in the mixed triples competition at the Milton Bowling greens Saturday was this team from Burlington shown receiving the trophy donated by the Canadian Champion from Frank Johnson. From the left are Mrs. and Mr. Virtue and Mr. Taylor. Sixteen rinks competed from Port Credit, Burlington, Oakville, Streetsville and Milton.

## Kaszycki Pitches Legionnaires To 5-1 Victory Over Tiremen

Frank Kaszycki scattered five hits and struck out eight men as he pitched the high flying Legion team to a 5-1 victory over Canadian Tire in the Industrial league on Thursday of last week.

Evans, Naylor and Clements were tops for the Legion boys with Gord Marshall getting the lone Canadian Tire tally in the sixth inning on a home run.

The Legionnaires struck fast as they scored two runs in the first inning and from there on never looked back. The Tiremen threatened in the last inning having the bases loaded and none out. Frank Kaszycki struck the next two batters out and the third flied out to the infield to retire the side without scoring a run.

**Congratulations**  
Canadian Tire must be congratulated on their fine showing this year although missing the playoffs. The boys played fine ball. The game between Milton Brick

## Girls' Softball Playoffs Start After Holidays

Just one game remains in the girls' softball league in town with Robertson slated to meet the Gogetters sometime following the plant holiday. With the two teams presently tied for third place, the single tilt will be the decider for playoff positions.

Meanwhile Ontario Steel and Canadian Meter have finished in a first place tie with OSP drawing top spot on their runs average and the two front runners now await the playoffs.

The first and third teams and the second and fourth place finishers will meet in the semi-finals with the winners pairing off to decide the champ.

In the last game played in the league, Gogetters walloped Robertson in a four point fixture to the tune of 15-3 Wednesday night at the Meter diamond.

Standings to Date

GP	W	L	T	Pts.
Ont. Steel	9	4	3	210
Can. Meter	9	4	3	210
P. L. Robertson	7	3	3	17
Gogetters	7	2	4	17

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## Visitors Win

A Burlington rink captured the Canadian Champion's mixed triples trophy in the annual competition on the Milton Bowling greens Saturday.

Competing with 16 rinks the triple of Mr. Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Virtue came out with top honors in the day's bowling against competitors from Port Credit, Burlington, Oakville, Streetsville and Milton.

Second prize rink was that of Jack Elliott, Mrs. Elliott and Miss Telfer; third prize winners were Wm. Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Ineson, Oakville. High with one win was the Port Credit rink of H. Harris and Mrs. Anderson.

—Although many farmers in the district suffered loss of winter wheat owing to the severe winter, one very pleased farmer in Esquesing reports a crop of 700 bushels of wheat from 20 acres.

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by IVAN SLESSOR

HOW TO KEEP THE KIDS OCCUPIED ON A LONG TRIP



One of my regular customers drove in the other day to have his car serviced having just returned from a long trip with his family. His wife was with him and we got to chatting. When she told me it was the most enjoyable and relaxed trip they've ever had (what with four youngsters in the family) I was interested to know why. Seems it was all because they played car games.

It sounded like a good idea to me. And in case your youngsters get restless sitting still for hours on end when motoring I thought I'd pass along a couple of the games she told me about. Here they are.

**I PACKED MY CAR:** Starting with the first letter of the alphabet Junior might start with "I packed my car with apples." Another member of the family then takes up with "I packed my car with apples and butts." And so on right through the alphabet. If anyone forgets one of the items in the right order when his turn rolls around again he has to drop from the game.

**GUESS WHERE I'M HIDING:** In this game one child is chosen to be "it". He then mentally selects a hiding place in the car and the rest of the family have to guess where he's pretending to hide. In the glove compartment? Under the hood? In dad's pocket? This goes on until the hiding place is guessed or everyone gives up. It's then time for someone else to be "it".

You'll probably think up lots of other games to play once you get started. But no game should ever become active enough to distract the driver's attention.

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