

SPORT SPOTS

BY RON CRAINE



SWIMMING ACE LORRAINE AHO

As every school child knows full well, this is the age of speed. The age is best exemplified by the use of the word "instant" in many and varied couplings. There's "instant" coffee, "instant" tea, "instant" potatoes and "instant" lather; some finance institutions almost come right out and offer "instant" money. For most of these "instant" gadgets the recipe is fairly simple - just add water and stand well back-chemistry will do the rest.

Down in Thornhill at number three Elmbank Rd. they have a different sort of "instant". Like most of the other "instants" you just add water and stand back, well back. The result is a thirteen year old human torpedo who happens to answer to the name of Lorraine Aho.

Lorraine began to swim at the age of four, just the time when most little girls are pushing around doll buggies and riding tricycles. None of these exactly filled the bill for Miss Aho. She found the water to be much more fun. The results have been startling.

Two years ago she started to swim competitively under the guidance of Mr. George Wiskin of the North York Lions Club. Five days a week she can be found churning the water at the indoor pool in Willowdale. Most weeks she averages four to six hours of official practice time per week but, prior to a big swim meet the training sessions are stepped up considerably. She'll also sneak in some extra pool time whenever the opportunity presents itself.

Most people aren't aware of it but the Canadian Age Class Swimming Championships were held in Montreal from July 24 through 27th. And Miss Aho was there - very much so!

The young Thornhill miss set a new Canadian record by swimming the 100 metre breast stroke in a time of one minute, twenty nine and six tenths seconds. The previous record for the event was 1:33.9 so that elementary arithmetic shows she knocked 4 and 3/10ths of a second off the old record. That isn't breaking a record - that's shattering it! Naturally she won the event and defeated the holder of the old record, Camille Bricault of Montreal. The water world holds much promise for the young lass.

Prior to her concentrating all her efforts to perfect the breast-stroke, Lorraine was also the holder of the 100 metre butterfly record. During the past year she has concentrated solely on the breast stroke and saw her butterfly record toppled in the Montreal meet.

Her coach and swimming mentor wants her to attend the American National Swim Championships to be held in South Carolina next month. Her family are of the opinion that she is a little young for such a venture right now. She'll probably be all set for next year.

She was allowed to compete in the American Junior Nationals held at Buffalo but a leg injury prior to the meet washed out all hope of success. This is another meet she has her sights set on for next year.

Like most girls of her age Lorraine is an avid collector. Not records (playable type, that is) but medals and trophies for - you've got it Clara! - swimming! According to her Dad they're sort of jumbled up in her room. And it's a good sized jumble!

Just why it should be we're not quite sure but Lorraine - like many another talented young athlete - is an honour student at Thornhill Secondary School. How they find time to maintain "A" averages in the book factory and concentrate on their favorite specialty is a mystery. And, come to think of it, that's probably the answer. They know how to concentrate!

Aside from aquatic endeavours Lorraine enjoys track and field sports. Her coach is a great believer in running as a wind conditioner but she is not allowed to compete in any running event. Running competitively encourages a concentration of muscle that spells cramp for a swimmer so that track had to be verboten from sheer necessity. It's to her credit that she realizes this and is able to discipline herself accordingly.

Next year, 1964, is an Olympic year. At age 14 Lorraine has not yet reached the peak of her swimming form. But 1968 is also an Olympic year and (we hate to bring up a lady's age) she'll be 18. Five years is a long, long way to look ahead but it could be - just could be!

In the meanwhile she'll carry on with the training routine, enter lots of meets and gain valuable experience. Don't forget the name Lorraine Aho. You may be hearing a lot more of it in years to come!

Three Local Ball Teams Will Compete In Ontario Playdowns

Three softball teams from Richmond Hill will be competing in the Ontario Amateur Softball Association playdowns during the month of August. In addition at least two ladies team entries for Provincial Women's Softball Union playdowns are also expected. It's going to be a full softball card for August!

Clothiers Defeat Legion By 2-1

Kent Clothes went on a brief rampage in the seventh inning as they defeated 400 Legion in Richmond Hill by a score of 2-1. Bob Finnegan singled to open the inning for Kents and was scored on a double by Les Downing. Downing was picked off at third to make the second out.

Finlayson kept Kent hopes alive by rapping out a single. Pitcher Larry Guio singled and Bruce Buchanan drew a walk. Bill Barclay singled to score. Finlayson and Doug Bower bounced out pitcher to first to end the inning and conclude Kent scoring.

Right fielder Al Swannick was scored on a single by first baseman Jim Grice to account for the 400 Legion run in the third inning.

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Local Bowlers Ontario Champs

Jim Grainger, Al White, Ed. Lane and Russell Lynett, all members of the Richmond Hill Lawn Bowling Club won the Ontario Lawn Bowling championship held at Belleville last Saturday. In addition to all the honours that go along with the championship, each man will receive one of the prized red jackets that are so highly coveted by the bowling fraternity.

The win was achieved after some very spirited bowling action. Windsor went down to defeat before the powerful Richmond Hill quartet bringing up the final round against a rink from Niagara Falls.

At the end of nineteen ends the Niagara team led by six points. The local rink took three in the twentieth and three more in the twenty first end to force a tie.

For the first time in the memory of lawn bowling officials an extra end was necessary to decide a championship. Buoyed up by their startling comeback the Richmond Hill rink won the final end and the championship.

On August 26th the fearsome foursome will be in action at Hamilton. This time their goal will be the highly prized Canadian championship - the

pinnacle of lawn bowling. They're all very happy to be competing in this event but they have one slight regret. Hamilton isn't much of a trip after all and they've all been there before!

"The Liberal" would like to take this opportunity to wish them well in their title quest. Undoubtedly they are Ontario's finest and have an excellent chance of capturing Dominion honors.

Stouffville Arena First Dividend

Shareholders in the Stouffville Arena Ltd. Company this year will receive a \$6 dividend, first return since the rink was built in 1949.

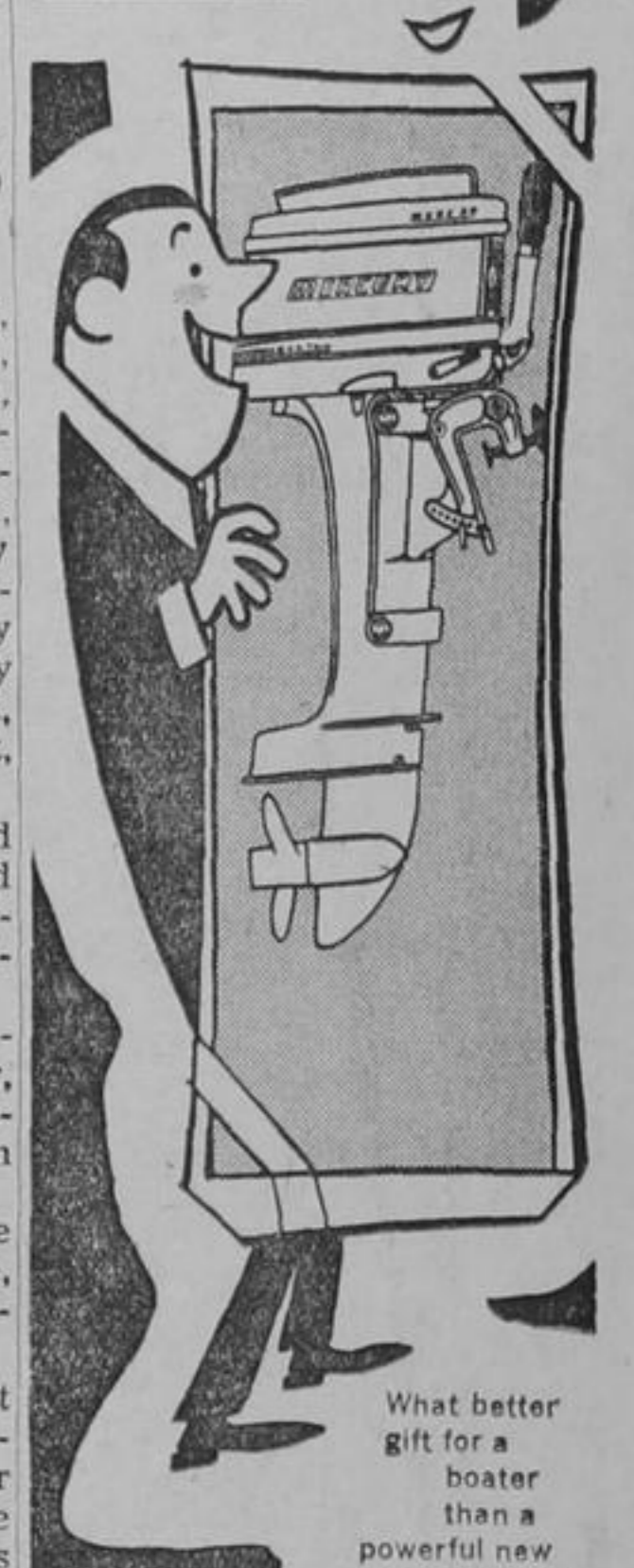
At the annual shareholders' meeting recently, profits for the arena's operation totalled \$7,668 for 1962-63, directors announced.

In addition, the company has a reserve investment of \$32,000. Biggest moneymaker was ice rental which totalled \$22,409, an increase of \$2,000 from last year; public skating was also up nearly \$200 to \$3,111. The skate grinder brought in \$988 and the profit from the refreshment booth was \$7,333.

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DISTRICT SPORTS NEWS

Dynes Win & Lose Series

By RON CRAINE

Weird and wonderful. They are the only two adjectives that come readily to mind when thinking about the two games played by Dynes Jewellers last week. They lost the first game by a 6-2 count to Franklin's and came home last Thursday to nip Markham Aces 4-3 in as zany a game as you'll ever see.

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Shortstop Neb Gayman heartened the Jewellers briefly in the top of the fourth inning as he smacked a home run off one of Ab Deasley's slants. And then it was the bottom of the fourth inning and Franklin's got their chance to wield the big stick.

Big Freddy Thomas, centre field ace of Franklin's started the action with a double, bringing up Pete Conacher. Conacher had doubled in the first inning and capped this initial effort with a tremendous blast to centre field. The ball sailed well over the head of "Skip" De Geer who was patrolling the centre lane for the Jewellers and Franklin's jumped into a 2-1 lead.

The sudden reversal of fortune seemed to sap the confidence of the Jewellers and errors started to take their toll. Left fielder Doug Watt singled to bring Right Fielder Ron Hill to the plate. Hill pushed a looper over second base that Gayman called for. The ball skittered crazily off his glove and Franklin's had two more men on base. Ab Deasley smashed a hard grounder toward third base that was fielded perfectly by Moe Williamson. His throw to Hughes at first base was hurried, off

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METRO MAJOR FASTBALL STANDING

Team	Games				
	Played	Won	Tied	Lost	Left Pts.
Franklin Men's Wear	17	13	0	4	3
Dynes Jewellers	17	11	1	5	3
Markham Aces	16	8	0	8	4
Gazzola & Allen	16	7	1	7	5
Lakeshore Robertshaw	15	4	0	11	5
Aurora	15	4	0	11	5

as a personal affront. As the inning came to an end Johnson fired the ball behind him hoping to catch Russ Cripps. The ball missed and managed to clobber an innocent spectator.

Cripps took off across the field after him and Johnson retaliated by kicking handily with his spikes. The two men grappled in a flurry of ineffective punches and were separated and ejected from the game. A large crowd of fans were on hand for the game and were highly vocal in their disapproval. Bush league antics like these have no place in a league known as the Metro Major Fastball League. Maybe it'll happen in a street corner game but it should never happen and, we hope, won't ever happen again in a game of this calibre.

A bases loaded home run by Brent Selvaige in the sixth inning gave the Jewellers the margin of victory. Markham scored three times in the third for their three run total.

Ray Judd struck out twenty and for the first three innings was being caught by Gary Smith. This was an experiment that backfired as Smith was not able to handle the smoking shots thrown by Judd.

In the third inning Ken Coultres came in to catch returning to action for the first time since he split his hand a month ago.

Part of the action consisted of a kicking, gouging match staged by Markham third baseman Bill Johnson and Dynes' Coach Russ Cripps.

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Newly Organized Rod & Gun Club To Apply For Provincial Charter

At a meeting held at the Town Inn Restaurant on Wednesday evening of last week, members of the newly formed Cedar Rod and Gun Club voted to start action to obtain a provincial charter. Chairman Lyn Tucker explained to those present that many proposed plans could not be proceeded with until the organization was officially chartered.

After much discussion the meeting decided that their



BRENT SELVAIGE Hits Homer Bases Loaded

Hits Homer Wins Game

John Addison, Liberal Member of Parliament for York North, was the hero of the annual softball game between members of parliament and a parliamentary press gallery team in Ottawa Wednesday.

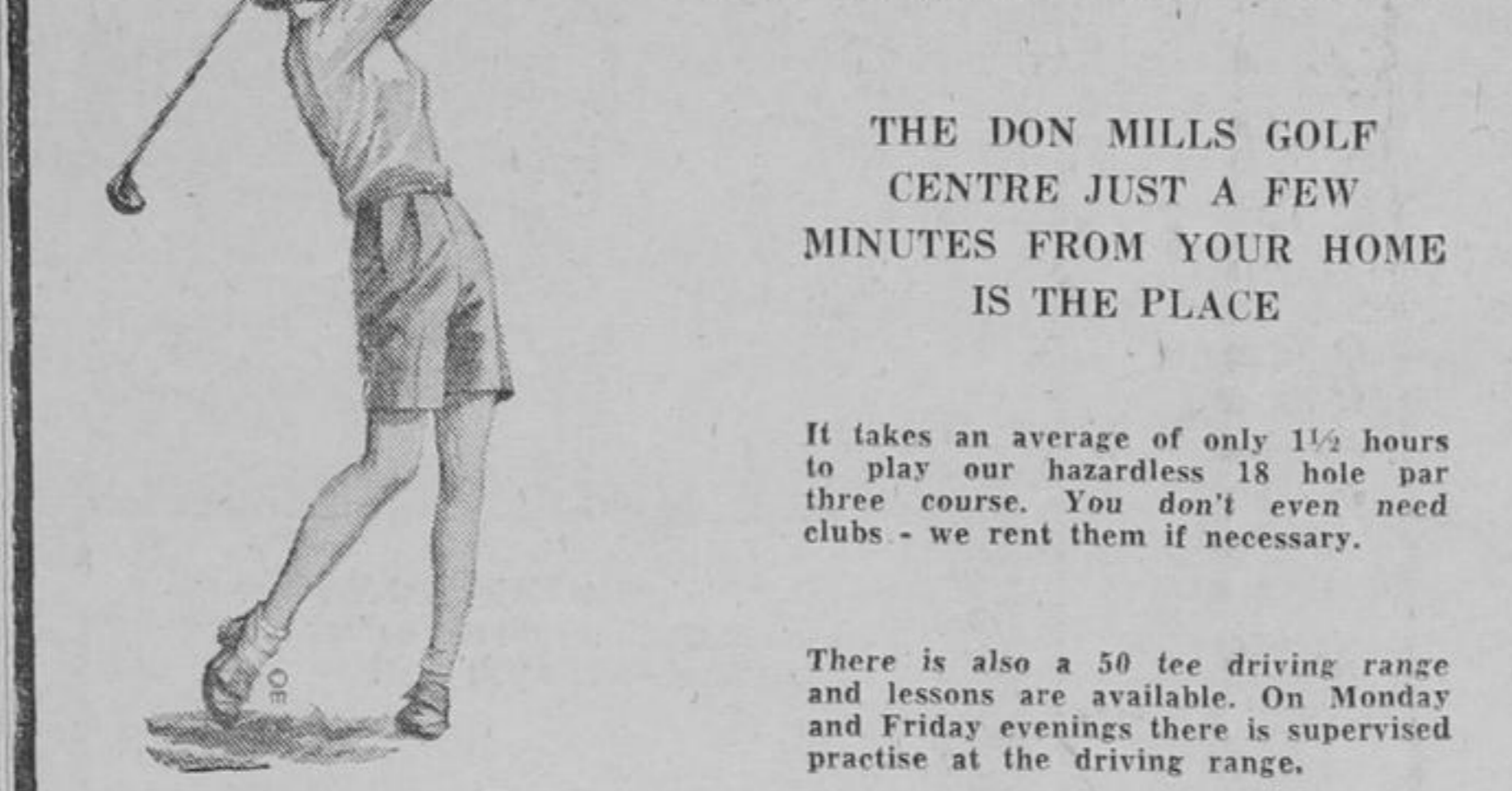
Like "Casey", John came to bat in the last-inning with the bases loaded. The crowd was hushed and "Mighty John" swung - but unlike "Casey" he connected for a home run, giving his team a 7-6 victory.

best course of action was to apply immediately for official status. Fourteen members who have paid their dues in full will appear as charter members and the necessary legal work will be handled by local solicitor, Donald Plaxton.

The next regular meeting of the club will be held at 8:00 p.m. on August 14th at the Town Inn in Richmond Hill. All those who are seriously interested in the welfare of the club are urged to attend.

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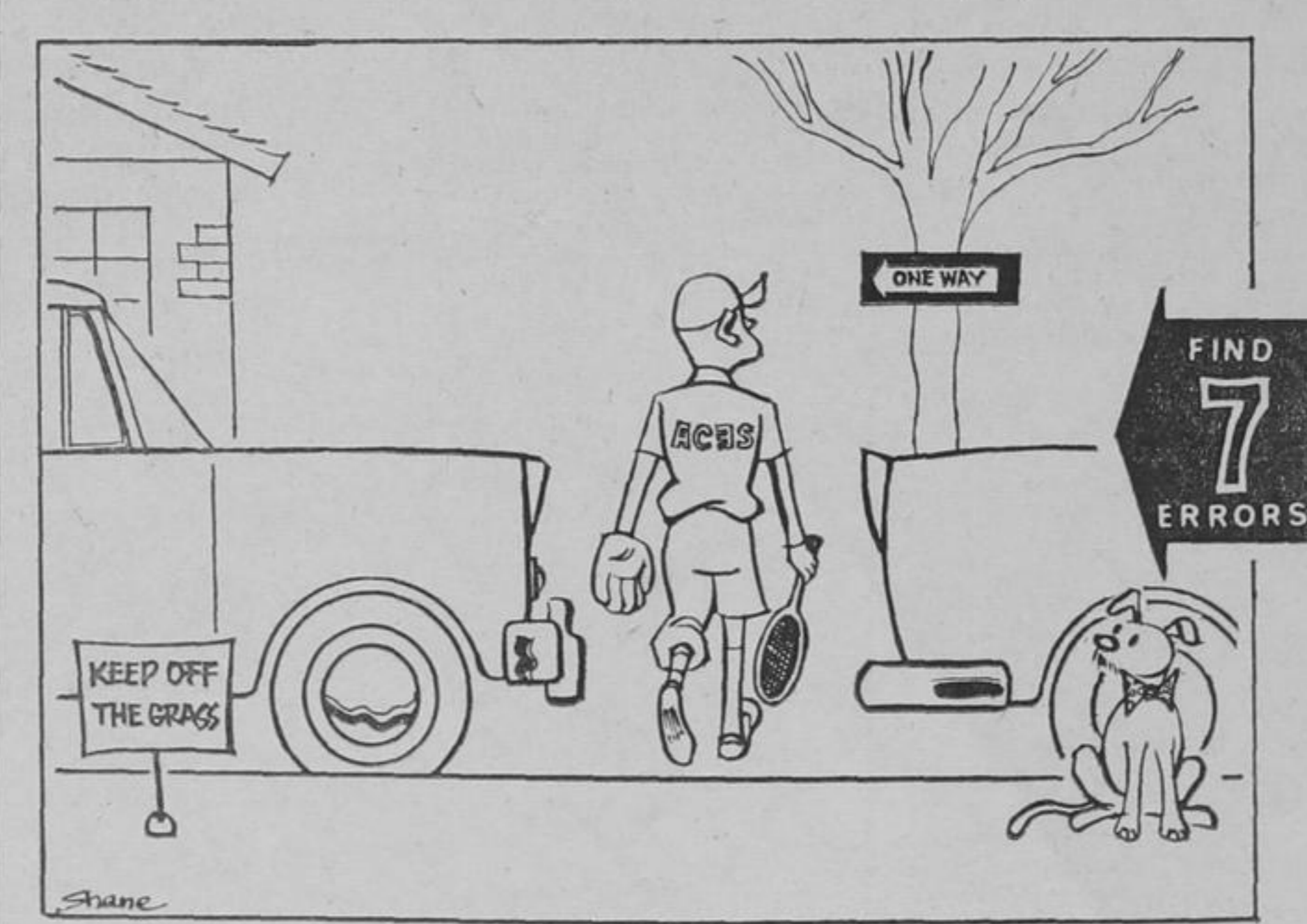
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