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1921

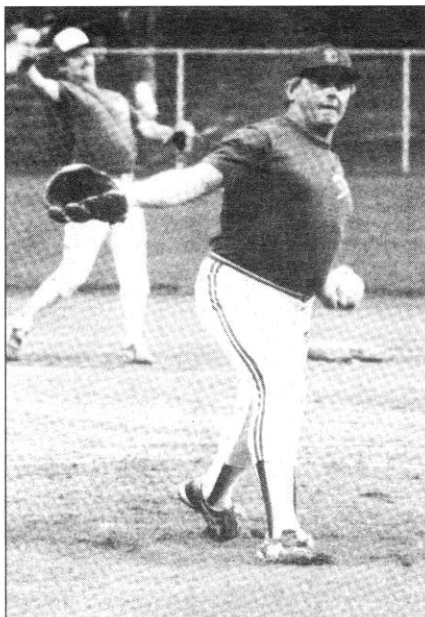
When a girl in her teens became “peevisish, listless, and dull,” and when nothing seemed to interest her, it was certain that she needed more blood in her system, the *Winchester Press* said this week.

1931

This week, the *Press* rebutted an argument that there was no such word as “sideburns.” The term “mutton chops” was the first descriptive applied to a man’s side whiskers, while “sideboards” had also attained sufficient usage. Critics of the word sideburns argued that the term was only a conglomeration of the earlier sideboards and General Ambrose Burnside, an American who fought in the Civil War. This paper maintained that it was a word’s usage, not etymology, that gave meaning.

1941

During the previous few months, Winchester’s 100 Club had sent a number of parcels to local men stationed overseas, the *Press* reported this week. Since



Winchester’s Dan Hogaboam, a left-handed pitcher with the Osgoode Deuces, pitched his team to a 1-0 game one victory, with a two-hit, 11-strike out effort this week in 1991 during the Osgoode Men’s Town Fastball League best of five championship series.

that time, some letters had come back in reply. “Please accept my sincere thanks for the gift of cigarettes, which I received from you recently. I got a big thrill out of seeing your name on the box. No day compares with mail day in the lives of Canadians overseas,” Harold Beach wrote.

1951

Small-mouth bass were noted for their fighting qualities, but Chesterville resident Bill Barker brought home a five-pound specimen this week that made the mistake of being too aggressive. Barker was fishing on Otter Lake with a friend when he noticed the dark shape of a bass streaking upwards from the depths of the water. The momentum of the fish carried it in a long loop through the air, and it landed in the boat.

1961

1971

Plans for the long-awaited Winchester bypass were soon to move off the drawing board this week. MPP Don Irvine announced that the way was paved for tenders to be called. The planned addition would skirt the village on the west, and eliminate existing heavy traffic through the main streets.

1991

It was believed this week that the solution for Winchester’s long-term water problems was a water pipeline stretching 31 kilometres from the St. Lawrence River to the village. Council approved the motion to study the feasibility of a pipeline. (This plan never went ahead, and in 2010, a pipeline was instead created between Chesterville and Winchester.)

2001

A Level 2 drought was declared this week following a meeting of the Water Response Team (WRT). The WRT was asking everyone in the South Nation Conservation Authority’s watershed to reduce consumption by 20 per cent, including refraining from watering lawns and gardens, as well as washing cars.