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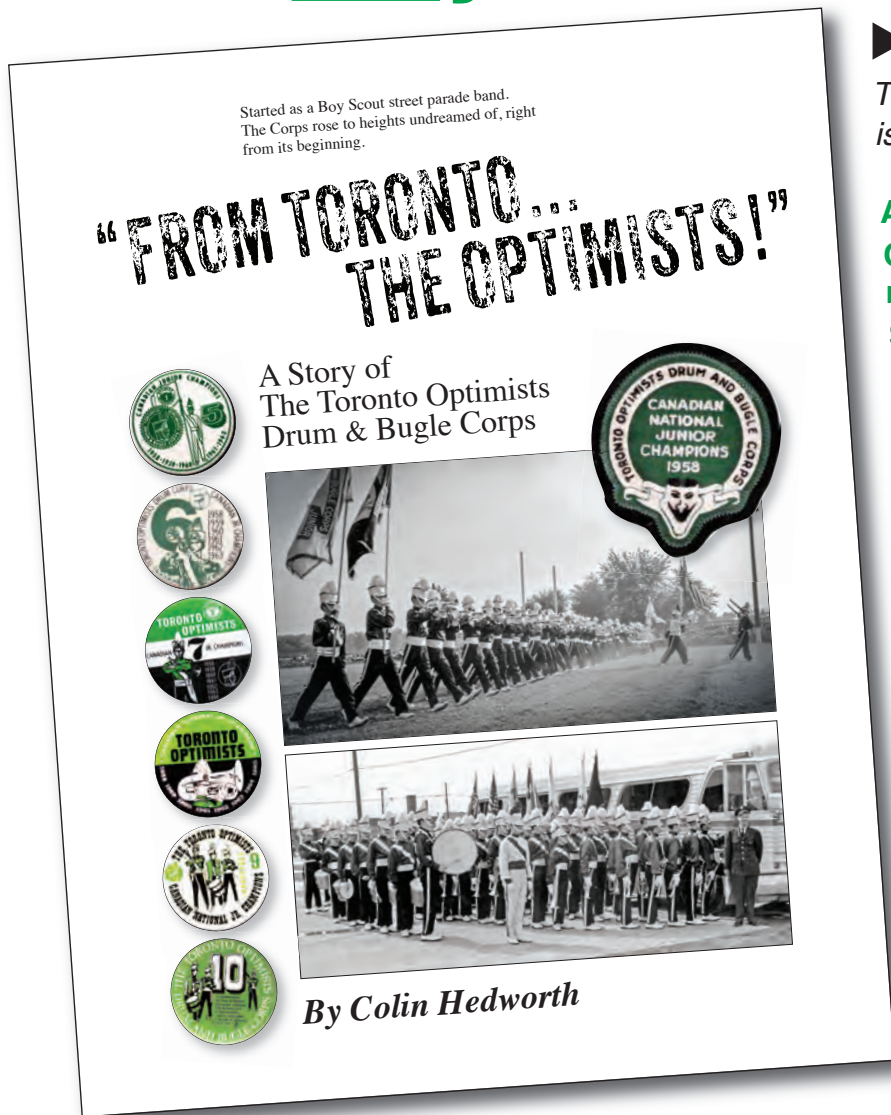
MANY YEARS AGO Colin Hedworth, in collaboration with Don Daber, wrote a History of the Toronto Optimists. This was called Book One and it covered the years from a Boy Scout Band in 1952 up to 1975 when the Toronto Optimists disbanded. In order to complete the story Colin wrote Book Two which covers the Seneca Optimists from its inception in 1976 until it disbanded in 1979.

The original version of this book was handwritten by Colin. He then created photocopies which were sold to those who were interested. I've created this digital version since most people, with the possible exception of pharmacists, have difficulties reading even their own writing. Since I did not want to change Colin's words my focus has been on correcting errors that were introduced in the transition from cursive to digital format.

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