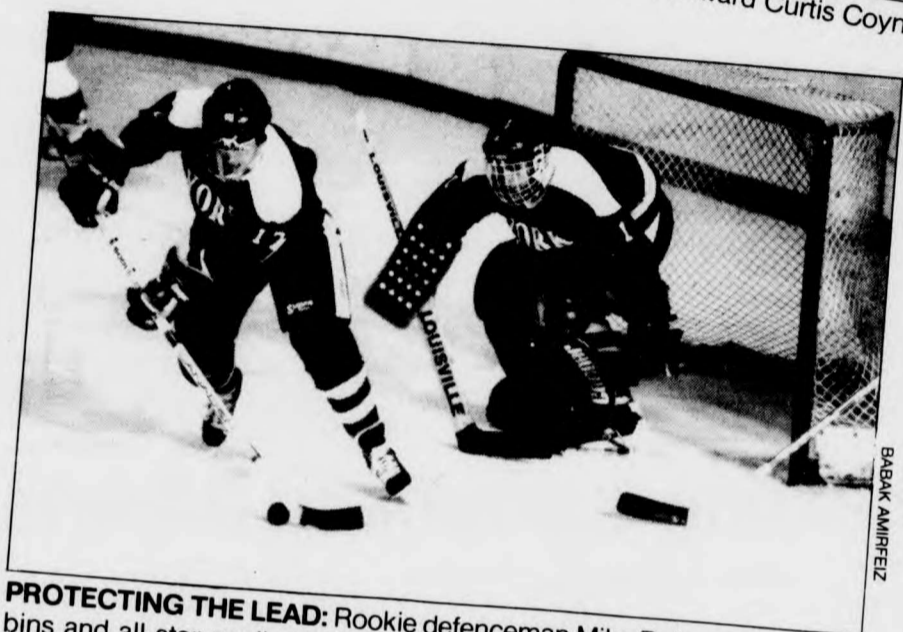




INSURANCE MARKER: Yeoman forward Curtis Coyne bulges the twine for York's fourth goal in the finals against Laurier.

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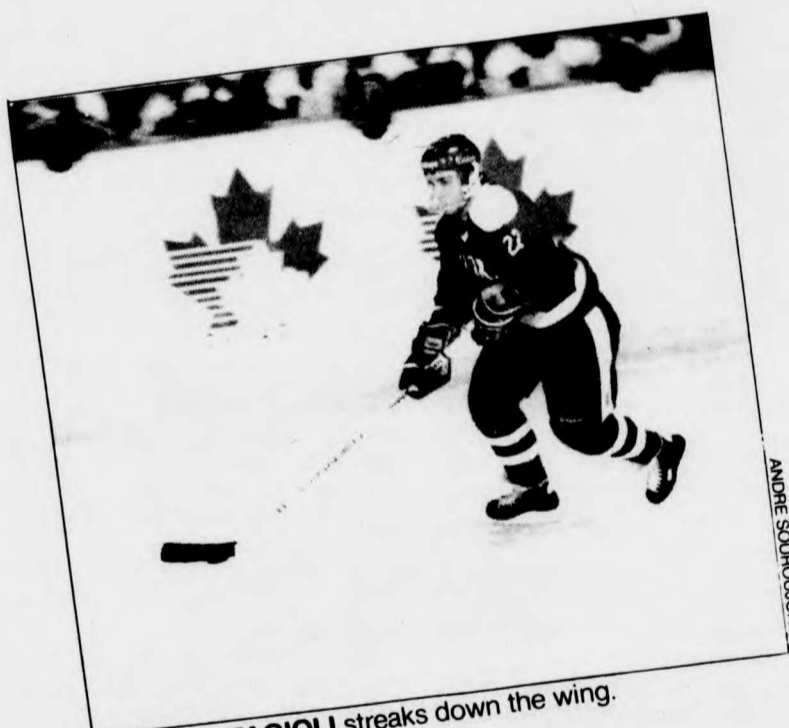
PROTECTING THE LEAD: Rookie defenceman Mike Robins and all-star goalie Mark Applewhaite hold down the fort.

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PUT THE CHAMPAGNE ON ICE! Defenceman Guy Girouard (left), forward Mike Futa (centre) and MVP Greg Rolston (right) lead the Yeoman cheer.

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LUCIANO FAGIOLI streaks down the wing.

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York coach sets sights on third title

By "HOWIE" MARR

What do you do after winning two national championships in your first years as head coach?

You set your sights on a third straight national championship next year of course. And that's precisely what York hockey coach Graham Wise will be doing.

"I started looking towards next season months ago," said Wise. "Recruiting and coaching is 12 months of the year, it's not just practice and games."

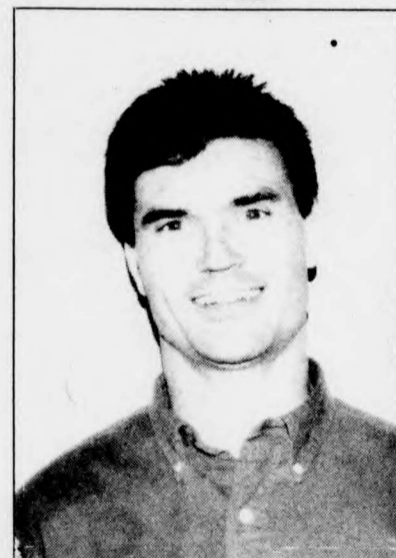
Wise will undoubtedly have his hands full if he expects to retain the CIAU title. Graduating Yeomen will include all-star goalie Mark Applewhaite, captain Bill Maguire, leading scorer Greg Rolston, Rob Crocock, Lou Kiriakou and Kent Brimmer.

"It's another rebuilding year," said Wise, whose team was supposedly going through a rebuilding stage this year.

The Yeomen entered this season with only nine returning players, which is one reason why it took the team until late in the season to become a cohesive unit.

"(In 1987-88) our goal from day one was to be the CIAU champions," said Wise. "(The players) took longer to make themselves believe they could be successful this year."

"Graham definitely had to do



YEOMEN hockey coach Graham Wise.

more coaching this year," said captain Bill Maguire. "We had many young guys, so we had to repeat and repeat in practice."

Maguire figures that Wise did learn a lot from former Yeomen coach Dave Chambers, who went on to coach the National Junior team.

"Graham would be the first guy to say that," said Maguire.

"I learned so much from Dave," Wise agreed. "There wasn't a day that went by that I didn't learn something, whether it was dealing with

players or the media."

Wise served as an assistant coach for the Yeomen for five years, including two under Dave Chambers. His playing career included stints in Junior B with Markham, where he won an Ontario championship in 1969. He went on to play for the Toronto Marlies in 1970 and from there he went to Michigan Tech for four years where he was one game away from winning an NCAA championship during his senior year.

After playing on Tom Watt's national champion U of T Blues in '76, Wise took a four year sabbatical from hockey. He eventually turned to coaching in 1981 while pursuing a degree in physical education.

"Any player goes through an adjustment period when he finally decides to hang 'em up," said Wise. "But coaching and playing are two different aspects of the game that I enjoy thoroughly."

"I've been fortunate to have good coaching all through hockey," added Wise.

As for next year, Wise says he will be recruiting for every position.

"Number one I want players who come to school to get a degree. Number two I want them to play hockey. Number three I want them to be successful, not just content with being on the hockey team."

Graduate plans for Rolston

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"When you go down to these NHL training camps," says Rolston, "you don't have much of a chance without having a contract going in. It's highly unlikely your going to do anything positive without one."

This year there is the possibility that a couple of NHL teams might be interested in Rolston's abilities. However, Rolston is wary of attending his third camp.

"I doubt I'll attend any training camp this year," says Rolston. "I know what they're like and I know the possibilities are very slim."

Instead, the 24-year old Rolston is looking toward pursuing a Masters in Business Administration either in the United States or Canada.

Next year I might go to Europe and play there for one year," says Rolston. "The money I make there could pay for my graduate school."

At this point of his life however, Rolston's main concern is attending graduate school.

"Right now at this point, this is the end of my hockey career. What I really want to concentrate on is my schooling."

Rolston will be taking with him many memories of his days as a Yeomen, including three national championships.

"It was a lot of fun plus playing here at York," Rolston said.

"The people, players and coaches were great. They were definitely special people. We made the most of what we had and put out a quality product."