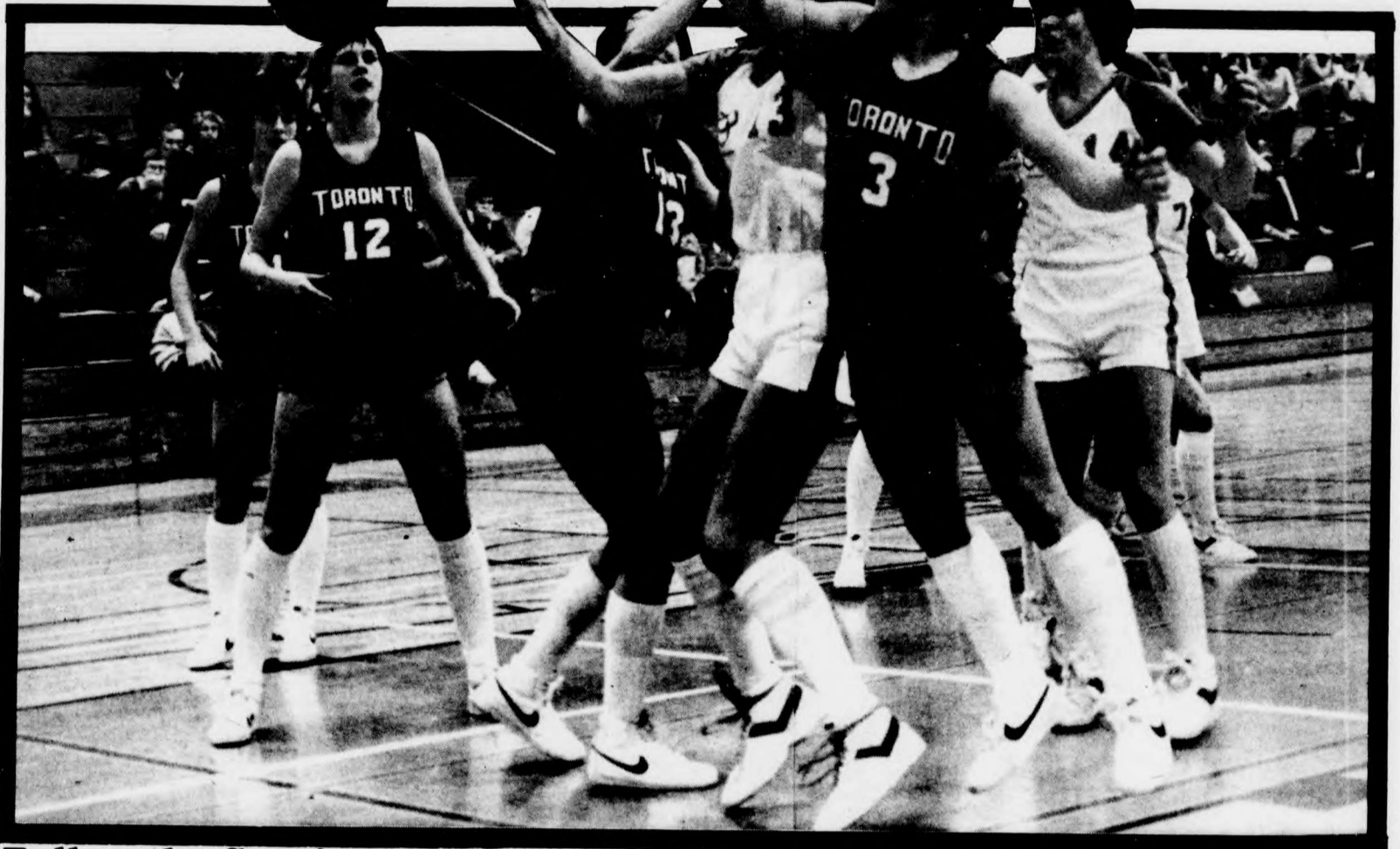


York wins by a slim 49-48 score over the Lady Blues



Jules Xavier

Follow the floating ball-Yeowomen Barb Whibbs (13) has to be gangtackled by Toronto's Jackie Spence (13) and Greta Delonghi (3) in order to stop her from reaching the basket. Whibbs' teammate Paula Lockyer (14) moves in from behind but is unable to help. Toronto forward Pat Melville (12) watches from the side. Toronto had control of Whibbs on this play but were unable to stop her fully in the game as she scored 24 points.

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While the York Yeowomen basketball team continues to win, the University of Toronto Lady Blues (1-2) struggle as they lost their sixth straight game to York. Such was the case last week as the Yeowomen won their fourth straight league game, squeezing by Toronto 49-48.

Yeowomen coach Francis Flint believes Toronto is a little frustrated. Toronto dominated York in the past but observes Flint, "the role has reversed. Toronto is a very good team but York is now the team to beat."

York jumped into an early 16-3 lead but watched it crumble as Toronto bounced back, trailing 22-20 at halftime.

It took Toronto eight minutes into the second half to jump into the lead 38-37 but it was

shortlived as York rebounded to regain the lead four minutes later. York now led 45-42.

Toronto outscored York 6-4 over the final eight minutes but it wasn't enough. The York defence held Toronto scoreless over the final two minutes to secure the victory.

All-Canadian Barb Whibbs led York with 24 points while teammate Leslie Dal Cin added 8. Pat Melville and Greta Delonghi with 21 and 10 points respectively led the Lady Blues' assault.

Coach Flint attributed the closeness in the score to the emotions associated with the game. "There's a very close rivalry between the teams. They (York) were ready for it - too ready for it, perhaps."

Whibbs agreed with Flint's assessments of the game. "I think we were a better team tonite but we didn't play up to our potential. We let Toronto dictate to us."

Lady Blues all-star guard Greta Delonghi pinned the loss on Toronto's inconsistency and spotty defence.

Delonghi battled York's fleasty guard, Fern Cooper throughout the game.

"Fern is effective at her type of game," said Delonghi about Cooper's aggressive play. "She's a good quarterback."

Flint felt both players were a game in themselves. "It was a real battle between Fern and Greta. We could have sold tickets to watch these two athletes play."

For Delonghi though, she feels she must play more of an all-round game. "I need to contribute more and not just scoring. My job is to lead."

Scoring is one of Delonghi's fortes, though Cooper restricted her point total considerably. "I like to score," Delonghi remarked with a slight grin. "It's my achilles heel."

When questioned about Toronto's next game against York in January, Delonghi said confidently, "I think we can beat York. I wouldn't be out on the floor if I didn't think we could."

X-rated: York improved their exhibition record to 8-1 as they won the Guelph Invitational Tournament this past weekend. York defeated the St. Clair Skippers 91-48 (Leslie Dal Cin-21) and Guelph 52-40 (Whibbs-11). Paula Lockyer, Fern Cooper and Leslie Dal Cin were all-stars in the tournament.

Coach Neil Harvey brings out the best in his swimmers...

Success lies in York's coaching

Drew Clarke

This past weekend the York Yeomen varsity swim team gave some indications of what can be expected from them when the Ontario championships are held in February.

At the University of Toronto Invitational on Friday, the Yeomen team made its strongest showing of the season as they went up against six other Ontario universities.

Rookie Romulo Berendson put on a dazzling performance in the 100m breaststroke as he sliced three seconds from his previous best time.

This development will provide Yeomen coach Neil Harvey with some much needed depth behind ace Martin Tlidus.

Tlidus also put in a good showing as he won the 200m breaststroke and finished second in the 100m event.

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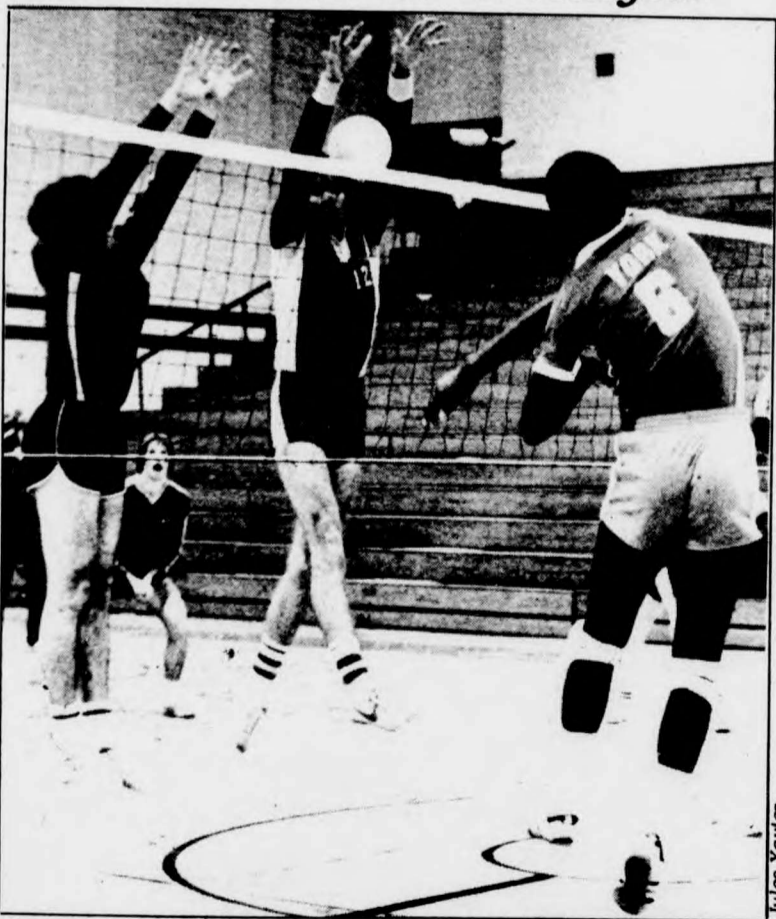
Coach Harvey was also pleased with his freestylers and he maintains "it gives me a great deal of flexibility."

One of those freestylers, distance man Bill Bevan who is on the rebound after a year's hiatus, emerged victorious over a tough field in the 200m event.

Freestyle sprinter Al McMullen is off to a quick start and attributes it to his coaching. "I

think Neil's programme has helped everyone. I feel 100% better than at this time last year."

No argument could come from sophomores Lee McFadyen and Glen Mateer who posted near best times in the 200m freestyle and butterfly events respectively.



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York versus the Ryerson Rams. See story on page 12.



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Yeomen Stu Taylor comes to the surface of the University of

Toronto pool in his 100m breaststroke event.