

# Sports

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*Team improved but opposition too strong*

## Blues top football Yeomen in battle of Metro

By FRANK GIORNO

The University of Toronto Blues handed the York Yeomen their fifth consecutive loss, 26-7, as they proved victorious in Saturday's Battle of Metro.

The annual grudge match was played before a mere 400 in the CNE stadium, and emotions ran high throughout the game.

For U of T quarterback Dave Langley, it was an opportunity to show his former coach that he was indeed a quarterback of merit.

"I had something to prove to (York coach) Nobby (Wirkowski)," said Langley. "Nobby's a great coach in his own way, but we didn't see eye to eye on how I should quarterback the team. Nobby wanted a dropback quarterback while I'm basically a roll-out type. That's why I'm with Toronto this year."

For the Yeomen it was a heart-breaking loss, as they gave it all they had.

The Yeomen defence was especially sharp, as they all but snuffed out the Blues offences in the first half, though the Blues eventually gained 218 yards rushing.

The Yeomen gained praise from Langley. "They took the run away from us. We especially stayed clear of Gus Nanka." Nanka, York's defensive end, was a thorn in Langley's side as he constantly broke up U of T plays.

The inconsistency which has

plagued the York offence throughout its schedule was apparent on Saturday as the offence failed to be inspired by the heroics of their defensive counter parts.

York's offence was able to scrape up only 187 yards in total gains, 78 coming on the ground, and 109 passing.

U of T gained 218 yards on the ground, mainly through the fine efforts of halfback Mark Bragagnolo who rushed for 181 yards on 21 carries, scoring all three of the Blue's TD's in the process.

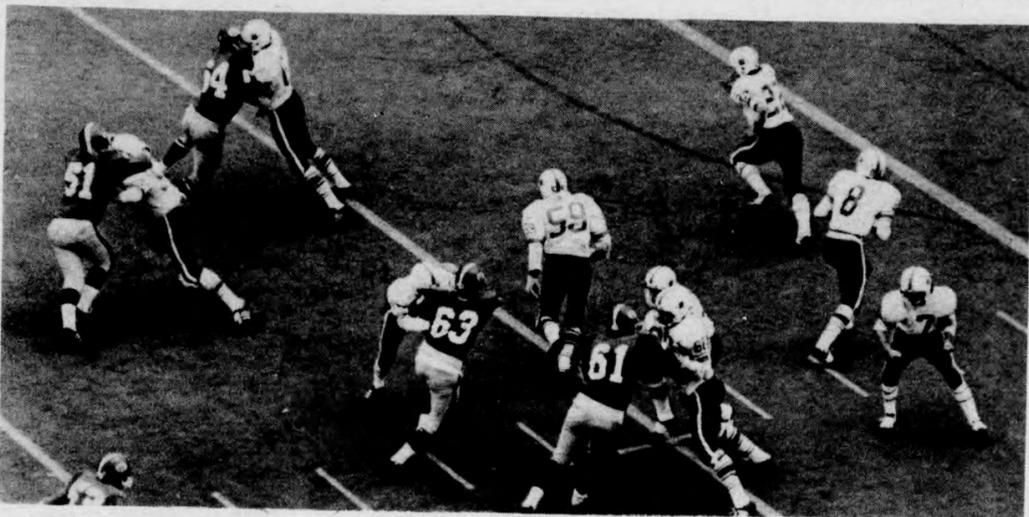
The Blue's also gained 202 yds. through the air for a total offence of 420 yds.

The game was close throughout the first half.

York took the lead on a 35 yard single off the foot of end Ray Fox who has replaced regular punter Duncan McLeod for the balance of the season. The Blue's stormed right back on the next series of plays as Bragagnolo scored his first touchdown to make the score 6-1 in favour of the Blue's. Charlie Wright missed on the extra point.

Bob Palmer made it 7-6 for York with a 1 yard run, but a U of T field goal by Wright made it 9-7 as Toronto pulled in front to stay just before half time.

The second half was all U of T as the Blue's added 17 points by way of two touchdown runs by Bragagnolo (25 yards and 55 yards respectively),



Doug Kitts drops back to pass and Bob Palmer runs out of the backfield as a possible target, while guard Enrico Duella pulls off the line to lead the

blocking for Palmer. Bill Hatanaka (7) is set to block off any U of T intruders.

and a convert and field goal by Wright.

Coach Wirkowski once again attributed York's defeat to untimely loss of concentration. Asked how he could remedy this he jokingly replied, "I should send them all off to a yogi".

Big Rick Slipitz called over by Wirkowski to answer the question added, "concentration is something that can't be taught; it has to be there."

The Yeomen have two games remaining. They face the tough Laurier squad in Waterloo this Saturday, then finish off their season against the winless Waterloo Warriors on October 26 at the CNE stadium.

### EXTRA YARNS

Duncan McLeod, York's punter for most of the season is off the team for the remaining two games. He and coach Wirkowski had a run in over his pre-game attitude.

Wirkowski said the player had been seen fraternizing with members of the U of T Blues shortly before the game.

Wirkowski said that it was not the way to get ready for a big game. McLeod was unavailable for comment.

One area where the Yeomen should look for help is their field goal kicking.

York had a third down on the Toronto 25 yard line and didn't even attempt a fieldgoal. They settled for a single on a 35 yard punt.

Who ever heard of punting from within the opposition's 40 yard line?

The Yeomen also failed on their convert attempt. This time the snap was too high.

Several York players expressed annoyance at the way Toronto Sun sports writer Jim Grey has given them bad press recently. They feel that he has been overly careless with his adjectives.

In one of his stories he referred to the Yeomen as "practice dummies".



Mark Bragagnolo (24) U of T's rookie sensation attempts to add to his O-QIFC league rushing lead as he follows the blocking of team mate (27). York's Pete Lamanna attempts to stop him.

## Track team has fine meet on route to championship

By ALISON OLDS

Wayne Daniels and Karen Hladki turned in top performances for the York track and field team in Waterloo last Friday, as perfect weather prevailed.

Daniels continued his fine performance in the field events with a first in the long jump (6.83m.), and a second in the triple jump (13.92m.), while Hladki lead the women's team with firsts in the high jump and the 100m. hurdles.

Doug Pursiainen placed first in the pole vault (13 feet).

Dave Milgram was second in the 100m. sprint. In the 200m. sprint, Russ Gnyp was second (21.9 seconds).

Kingsley Hurbs came third in the 400 m. race (51.4 seconds). In the

1500 m. race, Robin Pond was third (4.02 minutes).

The men's 4x100 m. relay team came second (41.0 seconds).

Vera Iwaszykiw placed fifth in the javelin and shot put.

In the 100 m. sprint, Alison Olds came fifth (13.8 sec). Marilyn Stevens was second in the 200 m. sprint (27.2 seconds).

Margot Wallace came third in the 400 m. race. Rita McMinn recorded a personal best time in the 1500 m. race with a time of 5.03 minutes. She also placed fourth in the 800 m. race.

The women's 4x100 m. relay team was first again (52 seconds).

Waterloo's meet was the last meet before the OUAA/OWIAA championship to be held this weekend at McMaster University.

## Rugby men near goal

The York Yeomen out-muscled the U of Toronto Blues 21-6 in rugby action last Wednesday, to improve their record to three wins and one loss, good for a second-place standing in league play.

Although the Blues threatened on several occasions, they were unable to cross the Yeomen goal line, and had to content themselves with the six points scored off two penalty kicks.

The Yeomen attack featured the strong running of Bill Curry and Paul Madonia, the stabilizing influence of Ev Spence and the consistent kicking of Mario Raponi.

Curry, Madonia and Joe Papik each scored tries (each worth four points), Papik with a pass interception and 80-yard run, while Raponi added nine points on three converts (two points each) and one penalty kick (three points).

The Blues had one try called back on a penalty.

Also on Wednesday, the second XV drubbed the U of T Intermediates 18-4, with tries scored by Bruce Matheson, Paul Mallany, John Spanton and Andrew Berger; Matheson converted one of the tries.

Monday, the Yeomen took part in the Jim Boyd tournament, a local club competition, and just lost to the tournament winners, Brantford, by 3-0.

On the way, York defeated Toronto Irish 7-0, and Toronto Saracens 13-

0, and tied Balmy Beach 3-3; none of the varsity players were used, and even rugby coach Larry Nancekivell played.

This weekend, York faces two tough opponents, RMC and Guelph, in Saturday and Sunday contests; the matches will play a large part in determining York's final placing in the OUAA league.

Tempers flared frequently in Saturday's match as scuffles broke out on several occasions.

Most of the incidents were blown out of proportion, including the celebrated forearm shiver delivered by coach Nykoluk to the heavily padded Dave Langley.

It appeared from our vantage point that Langley was heading straight for Nykoluk as he was driven out of bounds by Yeomen defenders.

Nykoluk just protected himself from the expected impact.

### Intercollegiate Action

#### East Division

	G	W	L	T	F	A	P
Toronto	5	5	0	0	160	74	10
Ottawa	5	4	1	0	214	110	8
Bishop's	5	3	1	1	73	90	7
Loyola	5	3	2	0	120	77	6
Queen's	5	2	3	0	81	110	4
Carleton	5	2	3	0	99	91	4
McGill	5	1	4	0	100	193	2

#### West Division

Western	5	4	0	1	146	86	9
Laurier	5	4	1	0	189	49	8
McMaster	5	2	3	0	65	99	4
Windsor	5	2	3	0	93	84	4
Guelph	5	1	3	1	75	109	3
Waterloo	5	0	4	1	58	136	1
York	5	0	5	0	62	171	0

#### Saturday's Results

Guelph 15, Windsor 6  
 Carleton 36, Queen's 16  
 Toronto 26, York 7  
 Western 24, Laurier 22  
 Ottawa 83, McGill 28  
 Loyola 48, Bishop's 14

## Sports Editorial

While in the process of being tongue-lashed by two burly members of the Yeomen football team (for a recent article criticizing their efforts) I opened my ears long enough to hear one of them bemoan the lack of cheers (fan-wise, that is).

"How do you expect us to win

when we look up at the stands and see only a handful of people sitting in them, and the majority of them are cheering for the other side?" (The Yeomen play their home games at CNE Stadium which has a capacity of 33,000).

This was especially true of Saturday's game. Attendance was estimated at a mere 400, extremely low considering the fact that both teams were Toronto based.

What's worse, it became evident that as the Yeomen were losing on the field, they also were losing in the stands.

That old theater adage, "an actor plays up to his audience", holds equal validity in athletics. We can not expect the football Yeomen to develop a winning spirit without fan support.

### Sports Calendar

Saturday, October 19

• Football: York at Wilfrid Laurier, 2 p.m.

• Rugby: RMC at York, 2 p.m.

• Soccer: Queen's at York, 2 p.m.

• Track and Field: OUAA Finals at McMaster.