

LATE RUGGER RESULTS

York was out-hustled 11-6 by Guelph, Wednesday night. This is the same team York defeated 9-3, October 5.

SPORTS



GYMNASTIC.. ELASTIC.. FANTASTIC

by Morty Stolzman

The Danish Gym Team performed at York on October 6 and 7. Those fortunate enough to see them had a most enjoyable evening. The team is comprised of young men and women in their early twenties, from all walks of life. As a team they have been together since August 1, 1967. In comparison with the Russian Gymnastic Team that performed at York one year ago, the Danish Team performed feats that were on an intermediate level, whereas the Russians performed more intricate and difficult stunts. (Every member of the Russian team was either a world champion in his event or one of the runners-up to the world champion.)

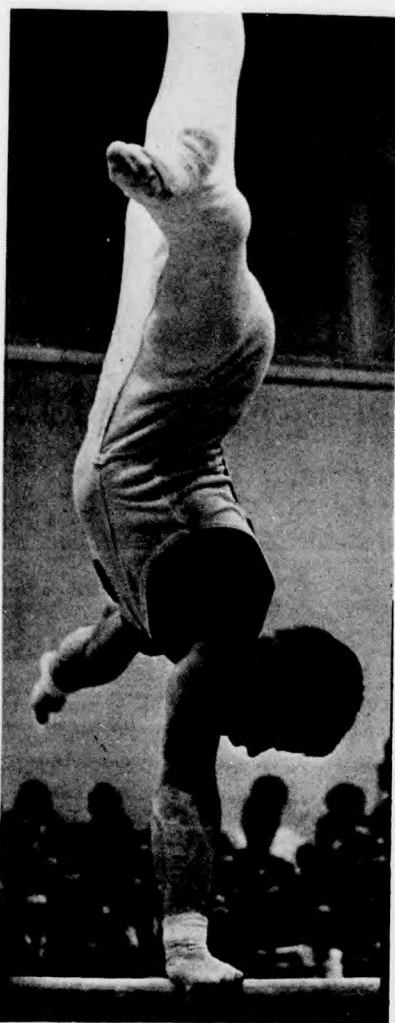


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The scene at York University last December when the Russian Gymnastic Team displayed their medal-winning form.

THE ORACLE PICKS:

SATURDAY

Toronto beats Chicago
Montreal beats Detroit
Philadelphia ties L.A.
California beats Minnesota

SUNDAY

Toronto ties Chicago
Montreal beats Boston
Detroit beats New York
L.A. ties Minnesota

SEASON RECORD

Right: 0 Wrong: 0
Pct.: .000

RUSSIANS-INDIVIDUALS

The major difference, however, was in the number of performers and the goals of the individual teams. The Russians performed as individuals, while the Danes attempted and achieved success as a team unit. For example, one Russian vaulted on the spring board while all fifteen Danes vaulted in rapid succession. Also, the Russians had a full squad of men and women comprised of only 13, while the Danes had 15 men and 15 women. Therefore, after having seen the Russian exhibition one remembers the entire team as a group. Furthermore, while some members of the Danish team were better than others, on the whole, the difference in their abilities wasn't outstanding so that one would tend to think of the members as a team and not as individuals. Whereas the Russians performed on the rings, the high bar, pommel horse, and on various other apparatus, the Danes performed folk dances, gymnastics and even a pantomime for the amusement of the spectators.

The program began with the playing of the Canadian and Danish national anthems. Dr. Bryce Taylor then introduced Mr. Erik Flensted-Jensen, the managing-director of the Danish teams. Mr. Flensted - Jensen briefly outlined the gym program in Danish schools. Canada would profit greatly if it would adopt a similar program of physical education in the school system.

The Danish men and women in red uniforms took turns with their performances. The women performed a rhythmic dance displaying excellent rhythm and coordination. In general, the Danish women were stronger than the Russians of last year; though they were muscular, they were pleasingly shaped.

Then the men took their turn. They performed advanced calisthenics which required suppleness and agility. As a rule the Danish men were very flexible, but not as muscular as the Russians.

The girls came on next and danced with hoops. They were all either blond or fair-haired. One great difference between the Russian performance and the Danish one is that the Russians wore the same uniform throughout the performance while the

Danes changed dress with almost every act.

GREEN UNIFORMS

Dressed in green uniforms the men began doing hand stands without a flaw. After a short interval, the whole team emerged wearing their native uniforms, while they did folk dances. The costumes were brilliant. The wo-

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This year the Danish Gym Team gave a program depicting physical education in Denmark...can you see the difference.

SOCCERWARRIORS
RECORD 4
SHUTOUTS

York soccerists have shut out the opposition in four of their six games thus far. Teams blanked by York Warriors were: the University of Guelph Redmen (1-0), Mohawk College Hawks (0-0), Osgoode Hall Owls (2-0), and Trent University (3-0). Goalie Larry Fullerton suffered a broken finger in the Mohawk encounter but will probably have returned to action by the time this column is read. Malcolm Newton filled in with a steady performance during Fullerton's absence.

This past week's action included games with Aeronautics (Wednesday) and Ryerson (Thursday). Results on these games will be listed next week. The big game with the University of Toronto (October 10) has been postponed until later in the month. Returnees from last year include Fullerton, Rick Guftafson, Andy Ronachan, Don Chapman, Alf Lord, Tony Thompson, Gord Johnstone, and Ray Marston.

Captain of this year's crew is newcomer Joe Simeon with Chapman his assistant captain. Lord is manager and Helmut Mueller the very able coach of the Warriors.

B-BALL TALK

"WE WILL NAME NAMES"

I again appeal to all readers to submit names for York's basketball and hockey teams. As you remember (if you read last week's column) these two outfits are sadly lacking a suitable nickname. The best suggestion will be used for the entire season. Leave your ideas in the Excalibur office.

Going off topic, I would like to point out to all those who scream for varsity competition in football that Laurentian University has entered the CCIFC football league and is getting the crap kicked out of them. In the last three games they have lost by scores of 60-0, 50-0, 91-0(!). If York were to enter this league without at least three years competition on the college level, the results would be similar. Who needs football that badly?

The first practice for York's basketball team was held Tuesday night with approximately 25 participants showing up, including nine returnees from last year's team. The time was spent in basic drills and more than one found that they were not in the best of shape. Though it is unwise to make prognostications after just one scrimmage, nevertheless, it was evident that there were some newcomers who are going to make a few veterans work extra hard if they are to retain a position on the team. Coach A.C. Johnson has the task of cutting over half the hopefuls within the next three weeks as York's first game is November 5.

"We plan to play a fast brand of ball" said the coach when asked if anything was going to be different this year. If this is true, it will be a welcome change from the slow-methodical attack that was so much a part of the team's play the last few years. It might have been a good tactical approach but it didn't win games.

With W.O.I.T., the patsies of the league last year, dropping out this season, the conference reverts back to the five team league of two years ago. The teams are Waterloo-Lutheran, Osgoode, Laurentian, Ryerson and York and the Windigoes (please!) are going to have to come up with something new in order not to finish last as they did two seasons ago. With a little luck and a hell of a lot of effort, they can do just that.

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