



By PHIL CRANLEY

In a game witnessed by over two thousand screaming fans the Varsity Blues took advantage of York penalties in the second period to win 5-4. The Blues had to hang on in the third period as the Yeomen outhustled, outshot and outscored them 3-2 over the final twenty minutes.

York played short-handed for 15 minutes in the disasterous second period. There was no scoring in the first period as both teams had trouble executing their plays. But York started the second period with two men off for sundry violations. Don West and Ed Zuccato played brilliantly to keep the puck out of the York end. Bill Holden stopped everything Varsity could throw at him. Then after being two men short for one minute and 45 seconds and a man short for 31 seconds the Yeomen poured on the pressure. Murray Stroud put a Ron Mark rebound high into the net behind U of T goalie Grant Cole at 5:40. The checking was very close for the next ten minutes until the Yeomen started to pick up a host of penalties some earned and others not.

Steve Latinovitch was involved in a questionable call at the three quarter mark of the period. The referee had signalled a penalty to the York player for holding. As Latinovitch pulled away from Terry Peterman of U of T his stick caught Peterman on the chin. The referee saw it as an accident but still called another minor for highsticking. However the Blues players pointed out that blood had been drawn and somehow talked the referee to changing the penalty to a major.

This left the Yeomen shorthanded for seven consecutive minutes. Before those two penalties were up York was called for another minor.

During this time the Blues got goals from McFarlane at 14:28, Peterman at 15:49 and Brent Imlach (son of 'Punch') at 18:31. All goals were either screened or deflected. Holden could not be faulted.

The Blues had two minors called against them during the next ten minutes but the Yeomen failed to capitalize. When L'Heureux of the Blues stepped out of the penalty box he got a lead pass from Varsity captain John Wright. He fed it back to Wright and a low shot from the big ace beat Holden on the short side.

At 4-2 the game seemed out of reach, but nine seconds later at 15:32 Rick Bowering scored a goal at much the same angle that Mitchell did. This time, however, Cole was beaten cleanly. Score 4-3.

The Yeomen went on the attack with everything they had. What often happens in these cases is that an opposing player gets a breakaway. Peterman did, and he scored at 18:06 just two minutes and 14 seconds after Bowerings counter. The sign of a good team is one that never gives up. The Yeomen must be given credit because they hung in there until the final buzzer. With only one minute and 20 seconds elapsed since the Blues fifth goal, John Hirst Rodger Bowness and Licio Cengarle combined on the prettiest play of the night.

The Blues defence was decked out of their pants. Cengarle finished the play off making the score 5-4 with only 37 seconds left to play. From the face-off the puck went into the Blues zone. There was a scramble in front of the net. Cole went down to his knees and somehow the puck came loose to Hirst. The big rookie from St. Mikes saw a small part of the goal unprotected above Cole's shoulder. With exactly one second left in the game the puck was heading for the top right hand corner of the net. Needless to say, it missed the target by about two inches. But what an exciting ending to a rather sloppily played match!

Hirst and the rest of the Yeomen feel very strongly that the Blues can be had. Their next opportunity will come on December 28, in the Hockey Canada College Tournament to be played over the Christmas break in Toronto (and Montreal)

Only the best eight university The big Yeomen machine Only the best eight university seemed down and out at that point, teams in Canada have been invited



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Murray Stroud perches in front of Blues goalie Grant Cole as York's first goal is scored.

YMHA beats basketball Yeomen by 85-82 in exhibition game

By IVAN BERN

Sports

Well, they're off, but they're certainly not running. In fact, it was more of a stumble. Tuesday night, the York Yeomen Varsity Basketball team opened their 1970-71 season with a noticeably sloppy effort in losing by an 85-82 count to the YMHA Senior 'A' hoopsters. It was the Yeomen's first tussle under actual game conditions although they had previously scrimmaged against two west end senior B teams.

It was blatantly obvious to every one of the twenty odd fans that the team has to smooth out a lot of the rough edges before they can settle down to playing the kind of ball they are surely capable of playing. Coach Bob McKinney started four veterans and one newcomer: Gus Falcoini and Sandy Nixon in the backcourt, Alf Lane at one for-ward, last year's MVP Stan Raphael at centre, and rookie Don Holstrom at the other forward.

After the "Y" jumped off to a quick 4-2 lead, York settled down, and on the strength of Nixon's great moves and Raphel's tough rebounding, grabbed a 22-12 margin with just over nine minutes to play in the first half. But there was a sharp reversal in form until half-time, as the "Y" proceeded to outscore York by a 28-10 count and thus the Yeomen found themselves in the locker room at the half trailing 40-32. A quick look at the team's shooting statistics for the first 20 minutes revealed the source of their problem - 11 out of 36 - a 30 percent average. Needless to say, you don't win too many ball games with that kind of touch. Well, the second half started, and the players seemed to pick up where they had left off, and before they knew it, they were trailing by 16 points, 63-47, with 9:04 left in the game. Coach McKinney was calmly using every weapon in his defensive arsenal in an attempt to shift the momentum in York's favor, and, finally, the team's tough man-to-man full-court press began to work, and the lead was narrowed seven points to 71-64, with five minutes to play. Part of the team's resurgence was certainly due to the inspired play of newcomer Butch Feldman, whose hot shooting and clutch rebounding augurs well for the future. But the team couldn't sustain itself, and there was almost a complete collapse under the defensive boards as the "Y" rebounded at will, sometimes seem to be a wonder that they getting four shots at our basket. As well, the team was sloppy in its fundamentals, constantly making

costly passing errors. Fortunately, the "Y" was get-ting a mite bit tired, and the Yeomen kept whittling away at the lead, until with 1:09 left to play, they were behind by an 84-76 count. But the team remembered their first half shooting jitters, and couldn't find the range. The 85-82 final score was the closest they could come.

The team had a few flashes of brilliance, offset by more frequent displays of ineptitude. Sandy Nixon for example, showed that he still has the shot and the moves that once made him all-Canadian, leading all the scorers with 21 points. Stan Raphael and Don take its first step in the right Holstrom each grabbed 12 rebounds, but this was more than offset by the 15 turnovers between Gees this Saturday at 2 p.m. in the them. In all the team had 35 tur- Tait McKenzie Gym. There are novers and, coupled with their 38 plenty of seats available and fan percent overall field goal average support never hurt any team yet. and their horrendous 55 percent I'm sure it will be the start of a free throw level (18 for 33) it may long winning streak.

came as close as they did.

But the team showed that they had something. Feldman scored 13 points and is an unexpected bonus. Holstrom is a better ball player than he showed, exhibiting what is commonly known as "stage fright", and Falcioni seemed to be catching up on the sleep he didn't get last week, so we can expect greater things from him in the future. As well, George (dubber) Dubinsky, Barry Turnbull, Jim Mado, and big Bob Weppler give the Yeomen some added depth.

Most important, the team's attitude, as well as the efficient approach of Coach McKinney, is a definite sign of potential. And we all get a chance to see the team direction when they play host to the OQAA University of Ottawa Gee-

but, playing at full strength for the to compete, York included. If entire third period, they came back York's strong team can stay out of in style.

'Mitch' saw the puck enter the net. across Canada. The crowd came to life with the Next home game is tonight (Nov. home team only one goal behind. 12) against U. of Waterloo.

the penalty box they might very First, rookie Steve Mitchell fired well bring our university into the an important goal from the side of national spotlight by appearing the net. Neither goalie Cole nor prominently on the sports pages

Field hockey team impressive at McGill

hockey team took to the road, this time to compete at McMaster in the last half of a two part tournament. Four games were played under similar conditions as those encountered at McGill the weekend before - water, mud, dew worms, and more mud.

game took place Friday morning against U of T. The final score was 2-0 for U of T. But the real victors were York. This young and inexperienced team managed to keep the quick veteran team from U of T scoreless until the last five minutes drenched field against Waterloo of the game. Even then both goals and Guelph. Again York was were scored on deflections. Time defeated by scores of 1-0 and 2-0 and time again the York team respectively.

Last week York women's field rushed the opposition completely frustrating them. U of T went on to win the tournament beating other teams by scores of 8-0, 7-0 and 9-0. The second game was played on Friday afternoon against a very aggressive team from McMaster. Both teams played excellent positional hockey, swinging the ball well. The game was a fast one The first and by far the best with each team driving up and down the field. Not being able to capitalize on her scoring opportunities York was defeated by a score of 1-0.

The final two games were played on Saturday on a completely rain

Juniors win 7-0

Yeomen beat Guelph 4-0 in 1st game

On November 3, York's fi.st hockey game on the road, at the University of Guelph, was a victory. It must be pointed out that both teams looked rusty, as befits two teams playing their opening game of the season. Nevertheless, as the game wore on, the Guelph squad succumed to a much more experienced York machine.

The Yeomen outshot the Gryphons 53-26 to dominate the game. The first period was the most competitive, as Bill Holden earned his shutout with several outstanding saves from close range. After that, however, he had relatively little work as York's powerful skater took the rest of the game to the Guelph end of the rink.

All of York's four goals were scored in the second period. Rookie Steve Mitchell had to skate hard to keep up with his all-star linemates Steve Latinovitch and Murray Stroud, but his effort paid off handsomely as he potted two goals

including the winner. Both Stroud and Latinovitch picked up assists on each of Mitchell's goals. Newcomer Ron Mark is playing extremely well and scored the second York goal with an assist from Rick Bowering. Mark also assisted on the third goal. This one was engineered by Don West who let a shot go from the point which can only be described as weird. After the game Don said that it was a "knuckleball" and it went through a maze of players and finally between the Guelph goalie's legs. West was the standout defenceman of the game as he broke up rush after rush. He and his defence partner Ed Zuccato handed out some crunching checks. West's goal, on which Zuccato picked up an assist, was just icing on the cake.

The Jr. Varsity team was successful too, as they bombed Guelph's J.V. team 7-0. Greg Embrey got two goals and an assist to lead them to victory.

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