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## Sports



## Travel - weary

## Shorthanded Yeomen squander two, tie one

By PHIL CRANLEY

In a space of five days the York hockey Yeomen played four games and travelled over a thousand miles by bus. Last week's win against Western was the only game played at home. No wonder then, that they lost to Clarkson College of Potsdam N.Y., 3-2, tied Carleton U. 5-5, and lost to the U. of Ottawa 5-3. To complicate matters, many players were unable to comply with the heavy schedule due to essays and tests. Goalie Bill Holden, Bruce Penny and Dave Kosoy missed the trip to Potsdam, while Murray Stroud, Ed Zucatto, Roger Galipeau, Rodger Bowness, and Bob Modray couldn't make the trek to Ottawa.

We asked the man in charge of schedules, sports co-ordinator Norbert Wirkowski, why a five hundred mile road trip would be scheduled in the middle of a week; a week in which a long trip had already been planned (for the weekend). We were told that the only time Clarkson College could squeeze in a game with York would be Wednesday (November 18), and therefore there was no choice but to agree to it. EXCALIBUR, however, maintains that there was a choice. That is, the game should not have been scheduled at all. Next time an American college team has the impudence to say that they can only "squeeze us in" during mid-week, we sincerely hope that Mr. Wirkowski has the good sense to tell them where to go!

The team's treatment in Potsdam was nothing to write home about either. If this reporter hadn't seen the game with his own eyes, he wouldn't have believed it. To say that the referees were lousy would be an understatement. To say that the referees were biased would be more accurate. York had a total of 12 penalties for 32 minutes and Clarkson was assessed a meagre two penalties for four minutes. Needless to say, the Yeomen didn't deserve half that total. Your EXCALIBUR man on the scene approached one of the referees after the game to question his lop-sided officiating, but was turned back by the ref's growling seeing-eye dog.

In other action around the league, Laurentian U. opened their schedule in St. Catharines against Brock U. The score was 14-2 in

favour of the Voyageurs. Once again, it seems that Laurentian will be York's toughest competition in league play this year. The Yeomen will get their first look at Laurentian when they play them in the Hockey Canada tournament on December 27 at Varsity Arena. Their home and home league series will be in February.

The Yeomen's pre-season record was an unflattering 3-4-1. Their first league game is tonight at Waterloo Lutheran U. Our league home opener is next Tuesday (December 1) at 8:00 p.m. against Ryerson P.I.

York 2, Clarkson 3

The Yeomen took a 2-0 lead in this game marred by farcical officiating. John Hirst scored the first goal on a pretty passing play with Rodger Bowness and Licio Cengarle. Kent Pollard fired the second one past Clarkson's All-American goalie from Toronto, Bruce Bullock. Pollard and his linemates Rick Bowering and Ron Mark counted a goal in each of the three games played on the road last week. Pollard especially, has been playing extremely well and has been finishing off plays set up by his wingers.

The interesting thing about the Clarkson team is that every player is Canadian and they are all on hockey scholarships.

They impressed observers as a good defensive team but they do not have individual scoring stars that are so necessary to make a team of superior calibre. The Clarkson team did manage to put the puck past Ed Buckman (with an assist to the referee) at 15:37 of the first period. Buckman was sensational in the nets all night. At the time of Clarkson's first goal, there were two Yeomen in the penalty box. It seemed that whenever York put the pressure on, a penalty would be called against them, and then another and another until the Yeomen were penalized into submission and an entirely defensive role. Clarkson scored their second goal with two York men off and their third goal while York had one man in the penalty box at 9:16 of the third.

In the all important third period, the Yeomen had six penalties to Clarkson's one. Even with the odds stacked against them the Yeomen should be commended for outshooting their opponents 25-24.

York 5, Carleton 5

This game was played in the very impressive new ice arena at Ottawa's Civic Centre. The Yeomen used their talented rookies in full time service for the two games in Ottawa due to their depleted roster. Paul Cerre and Jack Deline were unexpectedly sharp considering their lack of game experience. Cerre had a goal and Deline two assists over the week-end games. Licio Cengarle injured his knee (not seriously) on the first shift and Wolfe Buchholtz (called up from the Jr. Varsity team) picked up two assists playing in his spot with Latinovich and Mitchell. Brian Dunn, who enjoys the same eligibility status as Kosoy, filled in admirably on defence for the three games.

As the score would suggest this game was not a goaltenders battle. Each team scored twice in the first and second periods and once in the third. York scorers were Pollard from Bowering and Mark, Kosoy from Pollard and Deline, Latinovich from Mitchell and Buchholtz, and Mitchell from Buchholtz and Latinovich. Rick Bowering scored the fifth Yeomen goal at 15:11 of the third period and it looked as if that would be the winner. But the Ravens took advantage of some sloppy clearing and tied the game two minutes later.

Former National player Derek Holmes, had two goals and an assist for Carleton. The Yeomen outshot the Ravens 41-26 but many of them were from long range.

York 3, Ottawa 5

Penalties were a factor in this as well. York was awarded eight penalties to three for the Gee Gees. Bruce Penny was viciously slashed across the cheekbone but no penalty was called. When Dave Kosoy saw that no penalty was going to be called after he had been hit over the head with a Gee Gee stick he took the law into his own hands and tried to tear his tormentor limb from limb. He was then given six minutes in penalties to the Gee Gee players' two. Kosoy got his second goal of the weekend later on. Assists on the sizzling drive from the point, went to Hirst and Deline. Paul Cerre scored his first goal as a Yeoman on a breakaway. Pollard finished off

the Yeomen scoring with Bowering assisting.

It seems as if the Yeomen will have to be prepared to get the shaft from referees wherever they go.

This must be the price that a superior team has to pay. Their reputation precedes them. Don't forget the next episode on Tuesday night!



Excalibur Tim Clark

Roger 'Igor' Galipeau was one of the five sorely missed players this weekend as the Yeomen ended their week-long 1000 mile exhibition tour in Ottawa this weekend.

## Half-time was great

By BRIAN MILNER

For an Ottawa fan, the best thing that happened in the Canadian College Bowl, Saturday, was half-time.

It only delayed the slaughter, but at least it shut up the Manitoba rooters who seemed to be all around this unfortunate fan.

Once, I thought the Ottawa Gee Gees was a girls' volleyball team; Saturday, they played like one. But, perhaps, they were just outclassed by one of the best coached, most efficiently relentless college teams in the country.

Led by a superb offensive line and a tough, crushing defence, Manitoba totally dominated the game. Despite the evident skills of quarterback-punter Paul Paddon, flanker Michel Leveille (who scored their only touchdown) and all-star end Pete Ribbins, Ottawa just had no business being in this game.

Everyone must now realize — as Ottawa fans soon found out — that the real championship was decided a week earlier when the Bisons beat Queen's in overtime, 24-20. In the College Bowl itself only Manitoba's surprising mistakes (costly fumbles, foolish penalties) kept the score down to a respectable 38-11.

Once the outcome of the game was no longer in doubt (after the opening kickoff) this reporter

turned his attention to other matters.

Would the tall, athletic-looking girl sitting in section 4-m-25 please return the binocular case, notebook, pen, programme and hat that accidentally fell in her lap as I leaned over, trying, of course, to get a better view of the action.

## Waterpolo loses 15 - 5

By BIL BIRD

The York Water Polo team played a one-sided game against the Hungarians (Toronto Water Polo Club), an experienced group of men from University Settlement. Rab Donaldson led York with two goals in their 15-5 defeat. Larry Rosen, John Fitzgerald, and Bil Bird added one goal each.

York is experiencing its first year with a water polo team. Next year York will compete in intercollegiate games. However, the team needs support. All seven players for York remained waterside the entire game last Friday because only one string turned out. When the present schedule finishes in December, the team plans to continue practices as usual with exhibition games throughout the winter.

Presently practices Monday to Wednesday are from 4:15 to 5:15, and Thursday and Friday from 3:00 to 5:00; practices are cancelled the day of a game. The game is fast, and takes cranial muscle as much as anything to play well.

## York defeats Ryerson 111 - 70

By IVAN BERN

Last Monday night marked the opening of the York Yeomen regular season basketball schedule, as well as their official television debut. It was an extremely boring contest against the — let me see, — I think it was the Rams of Ryerson Polytechnical Institute. With every offense intended, I've seen better pickup games at the Hart House Saturday mornings. The final score was 111-70 for our side, and the only reason the team didn't break into the four figure mark was the utter apathy of the entire team, including Coach McKinney. The fact that the game was being televised into the johns and empty corridors of that venerable institution contributed to the comic atmosphere.

Five players hit double figures. Leading them all once again was Sandy Nixon with 23, followed by Stan Rapheal and Don Holmstrom with 20 apiece, Alf Lane with 11, and Barry Turnbull with 10.

The game was much more significant for two reasons; it

marked the return to form of Holmstrom, who demonstrated that he is no longer gun-shy, and that he can shoot with anyone on the team. But more important, the game saw the season debut of 6' 9" Marv Morton, former star of the 1968 Osgoode Owls Basketball team. In its short season to date, the only real deficiency of the team has been their susceptibility on defence to a good-shooting big centre. With the advent of Morton, the team is theoretically strengthened immeasurably. I say "theoretically", because Morton is woefully out of shape, and certainly won't help the team much until he has got his form back.

Last Friday night, however, 500 screaming fans witnessed a much more exciting contest, as the Yeomen exhibited great shooting and dynamite defence, in thrashing the University of Toronto Varsity Blues by a 91-63 count. The games highlights were the phenomenal aggressiveness of Stan Rapheal and the amazing accuracy of Bob Wepler. Both players scored 18 points to lead the

team, and Rapheal grabbed 14 rebounds, 10 of which were under U of T's own basket. Nixon hit for 17 points, and Butch Feldman had 12. The fan support was a pleasant surprise, and the squad gave them a good treat. More of the same would be appreciated, especially at the team's next game.

For this Saturday, at 8:15 p.m., the team faces the Laurentian squad in what may be the game to decide first place, Laurentian is one of the teams York has to beat in order to win the OIAA.

Before the team plays Laurentian, however, they play the Guelph Gryphons at Guelph Wednesday night. As Guelph is always a contender in the OQAA, the game should be a good tuneup for the Yeomen before Saturday's contest.

The team is presently riding a 3 game winning streak, but their opposition to date has been relatively easy. The next two games will go a long way in evaluating the teams true chances in the intercollegiate basketball wars.