Sports Profiles

York's volunteer physician is an avid fan too

began organizing its Inter-University athletic programme, it approached Humber Memorial Hospital concerning volunteer medical supervision for its varisity football and hockey teams. Originally, Dr. Mike Campioni was only one of several such volunteers but, in short order, he carved out a special niche for himself.

Assigned often because placements were usually made alphabetically, Dr. Campioni made an impression not only as a doctor but as a rabid fan. After a particularly emotional game, then trainer Mert Prophet suggested that he come every week because he, alone, displayed any enthusiasm.

The following year, recognizing the obvious advantages of having the same doctor treat and observe the players throughout the entire season, Nobby Wirkowski asked responsibility. That was six years ago and Dr. Campioni has been a fixture at York ever since.

Dr. Campioni has had a family York, he calls a hobby but a hobby to which he devotes considerable integral part of the team.

By ROBERT EASTO time and effort. Typically, when I When York University first saw him, he was giving up several evening hours in order to give the Yeomen hockey players their preseason physicals.

Not surprisingly, Dr. Campioni acquired his affinity to athletics through his own participation, combining soccer and cricket with his medical studies in Holland before coming to Canada in 1959. When pressed, Dr. Campioni will admit to having been "pretty good" and even then his assistants insist that he is being modest.

To this day, Dr. Campioni maintains a close connection with soccer. He is a medical adviser for the National Soccer League and has travelled abroad with the Canadian National Team. During the past summer he was on the medical team responsible for the Olympic soccer rounds played in Toronto.

Dr. Campioni's main regret, however, is that he never had the opportunity to play hockey and it is Dr. Campioni to shoulder that apparent that this sport is his favourite. The atmosphere at the hockey physicals was relaxed and easy going, the players and the doctor trading quips in a manner practice since 1961. His work, at that demonstrated that Dr. Campioni is considered to be an

The OUAA requires that the home team supply a doctor to service both teams so that Dr. Campioni's attendance at Yeomen away games is optional. Nonetheless, he usually travels on the road with the hockey team. Indications are that he will have plenty to cheer about again this season.

The doctor's medical role is primarily diagonistic. He determines the nature of the injury and is then able to recommend treatments, usually by the training staff, but occasionally by specialists, physiotherapists and the like.

Infootball, most on-field injuries involve minor contusions or temporary loss of wind. In both sports, E injuries of a more serious nature are most often to knees, shoulders ? necks. Unfortunately, emergency attention is sometimes required and both the ambulances and facilities of York-Finch Hospital are available for those situations.

Dr. Campioni makes the ultimate decision regarding an individual player's fitness to play. Fortunately, this task is made easier by the fact that the coaches put no pressure on him to hurry players back before they're ready.



York's volunteer physician, Dr. Mike Campioni.

While there is no magic involved in sport medicine, there is an increasing need for expertise in the particulars of this area. Recent studies estimate that as many as 90 per cent of those playing football at high school level or higher suffer some sort of injury in the course of a

He explains the unique element of

sports medicine in this way, People always ask me, 'What's the difference between the hockey player who hurts his knee and the guy who hurts his knee at work or in his backyard?' Well, the guy in his backyard can take all the time he wants to recover. The athlete has to get back into action as fast as

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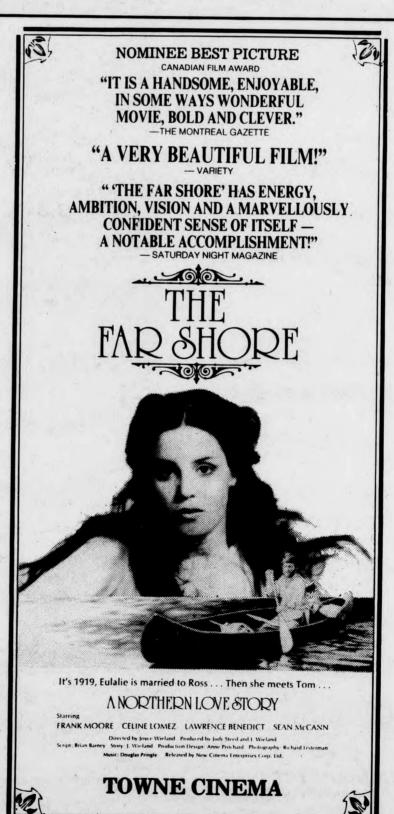
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LATE FLASHES... heading a list of things that should have gotten better coverage, but didn't, is a pleasantly surprising set of results from last weekend's Track and Field meet at McMaster, where York's Yeowomen managed a first, a second and two third place finishes.

In miserable weather that plagued jocks everywhere York's Karen Merrick led the field in the 800 metre run with a time of 2:23.5 while Margot Wallace achieved a third place in the 400 metre event.

Taking time out from her swimming programme, Candy Millar came in third in the 1500 metre race with a run of 5:35.3. Rounding out York's performance was Liz Rynkun who managed a second place in the javelin throw, with a distance of 30.59 metres.

Coach Dave Smith was not overly optimistic about the girls acheivements pointing out that the meet was not well attended, with some key schools missing.

However, he did express hope for York to place in the medals at the OWIAA championships this weekend at McMaster.

According to Smith, York's best hopes lie with the four by four relay team as well as high-jumper Evelyn Brenhouse and 200 metre runner Pam Medland.

Yeowomen Ann Harrison explained that even if the team could just get more competitors to fill out their roster it would make a big difference. "We need more girls to come out and try", she said, "even if they aren't exceptional, the extra help would give the team more chances to place well."

In Canadian Women's Field Hockey action at Sunnybrook park last weekend, York's own Pat Lomen playing for the Ontario Seniors, held the Albertan team scoreless for all but the final two minutes of their Canadian Championship finals match.

"It was an excellent game", she said, "the best ever, we had them all the way until the last few minutes, and then..." what happened then was that the Albertans hit for two points in as many minutes giving them the game and the championship by a score of 2-