OWIAA championships

Hockey men win two squeakers

By ROGER HUDSON and PETER WOODS

Last-minute markers was the story of the weekend when York met two tough opponents in Ottawa and Queen's University. Both were victories for the Yeomen in the form of 3-2 over Ottawa and 5-4 over Queen's Golden Gaels.

A goal by Dave Wright with 54 seconds left Friday night against Ottawa capped a comeback by York and allowed the fans to breathe a sigh of relief.

Ottawa took a 2-0 lead in the first period and it looked as if York would definitely have a hard time against the hard-checking Gee Gees. But to the delight of nearly 1500 fans, Frank Grace slimmed the margin to one with the only goal of the second period.

In the third period the red shirts came alive. Paul Cerre laid a perfect pass on John Hirst's stick for the tying goal with only five minutes remaining in the game. Hirst made no mistake with a hard shot along the ice that caught the far side.

Coach Purcell did some shifty line juggling and sent out Cerre to take the face-off with wingers Wright and Grace on either side. The strategy worked. Cerre got the draw, back to Wright at the point who let a sizzling shot go. Fraser screened the Ottawa net minder who could only get a piece of the puck and it trickled over the goal line.

The next day against Queen's, York again waited until the final minute to pull out their win. This game was won by a quick rising shot by Steve Latinovich with only 25 seconds remaining in this encounter.

Queen's opened the scoring in the first period only to have Brent Imlach reply with a York goal on a slap shot from just inside the blueline.

York sprinted into a 3-1 lead in the early minutes of the second period with two goals in two minutes. George Kemp skated around two defenders to score an unassisted picture-play goal. Don West then deflected a shot from John Hirst past the Gaels' goalie for the third York marker.

But Queen's was not to be put down as they scored three goals to retake the lead only to have Dave Wright tie the score at 4-4 midway in the final period.

York then controlled the play until Latinovich's last-minute goal which made the home crowd deliriously happy for the second time in less than 24 hours.

PUCK NOTES... The wins moved the Yeomen back into possession of first place in the eastern section of the OUAA. York now occupies first because of 15 wins, one loss and two ties. York is back in action for their last season game tomorrow night against Laurentian Voyageurs before they move into the playoffs. The playoffs have been delayed one week, because of the World Student Games at Lake Placid, New York, Feb. 25 - March 6. The Canadian team's roster was released Monday, contained the name of only Yeoman you guessed it - Steve Latinovich.

YORK 3 OTTAWA 2

1ST PERIOD

1. Ottawa, Bert Aube (Bob Aube, Chartier) 5:31.

2. Ottawa, Bert Aube (Bob Aube)

Penalties: Jenkins Y 3:24, Gauthier O 9:35, Grace Y 10:36, Bench Y 15:11, St. Pierre O 18:08.

2ND PERIOD 3. York, Grace (Penrose, Kemp)

18:04 Penalties: Bench O 7:12, St.

Pierre O, Fraser Y 9:06, Penrose Y 14:06. 3RD PERIOD

4. York, Hirst (Cerre, Jenkins) 14:47. 5. York, Wright (Cerre, Grace)

19:06. Penalties: McLeod O, 15:52, Bench O, 19:42.

SHOTS ON GOAL OTTAWA 11 6 10 - 27 YORK 9 12 14 - 35

Four of York's enthusiastic supporters stroll across the ice in a state of oblivion after seeing York down Queen's when Steve Latinovich

scored with 25 seconds left in the game to give York a 5-4 win.

Foil men play-off at Carleton

York fencers finish second

By FRED GRANER and BILL HENRI

The Eastern Division of the OUAA fencing playoffs were held over the weekend at Carleton University with Trent, U of T, Queen's, Carleton, Ottawa and York participating. As. at the Carleton Invitational, 3 weeks before, York finished second, behind the U of T, and slightly ahead of Queen's.

The foil unit went undefeated, beating Toronto 5-4, in the final match. Unfortunately, OUAA rules, as they now stand, place a fencing team on the basis of total bouts, for and against, in all weapons.

The sabre and epee teams were not up to the foilists' standards, and came in third and fourth, respectively. Toronto won in both weapons

and thus had a rather commanding lead in bouts won, to give them first in team competition. They will represent the East, at the Ontario University Championships, which will be held Saturday at York. The meet starts at 10:00 a.m., in the main gym of the Tait McKenzie.

On Sunday, individual matches were fought in all 3 weapons with the top fencers in each weapon class advancing to the finals with a chance to compete for individual

The only representative of York's Gay Blades, in this event, is Richard Polatynski who placed third in individual sabre. The Individual Championships will be held concurrently with the team competition Saturday, also in the main gym.

SWORD POINTS... Team roster was cut by one when sabreur Gray Stirling was ruled ineligible to play

... His replacement was supposed to be Mel Foster, but he broke his big toe just before the tournament ... Foster's replacement was Tom McLaughlin, a basketball player who never fenced before in his life ... McLaughlin won a bout against Carleton which gave York second place ahead of Queen's ... Fred Granek was 'castrated' with an offtarget belly slash in individual sabre

.. He now speaks funny ... Sabre became a first aid trip ... Broken ankle, lost testes, crunching football tackles, etc. ... Ralph Weidauer competed in epee with a 103 degree fever ... Richard Polatynski returned home with a 'Z' engraved on his chest

Osgoode victorious in hockey champs

Inter-college men's hockey season is over with Osgoode finishing in first place with 18 points. Founders and Vanier tied for second with 17 points and Glendon finished fourth with 16. The other teams finished in respective order: MBA, Calumet, Winters, Stong, College G, McLaughlin, and Grads.

In the quarter-finals Osgoode defeated Stong two games straight. Vanier won a tough series two games to one over Calumet. Glendon eliminated MBA two games straight and Winters upset Founders two games to one.

In the semi-finals Glendon defeated Winters two games straight and Osgoode also eliminated Vanier in two games.

In the final series Osgoode showed the form that had put them in first place by defeating Glendon 7-6, 9-1, and 11-6 in three straight games.

In the consolation round, Founders defeated all opposition to finish fifth while Stong lost only one game to finish sixth.

Winters had also defeated Vanier to take third place. The final standings are as follows:

Osgoode

Glendon 2nd Winters 3rd

Vanier 4th Founders 5th

Stong

MBA Calumet

6th

College G McLaughlin

Mac wins intercollege mixed curling

The Inter-College mixed curling tournament was held on Sunday, February 6th at Humber Highland Curling Club. Six teams were entered; Osgoode, Grads, Winters, Stong, McLaughlin and Glendon.

Each team played three games. Here opponents were decided by the luck of the draw. Some of the games were very exciting and the results were as follows:

1st McLaughlin won 3 games 2nd Winters won 2 games 3rd won 2 games Glendon 4th Stong won 1 game 5th Osgoode won 1 game 6th Grads. winless

Winters went ahead of Glendon because of a better point average. Stong went ahead of Osgoode as Stong had defeated Osgoode in their

The members of the McLaughlin championship team were L. Miller, Bob Shortreed, Gary Jenkins, and Susan Naeyaert.

By PHIL CRANLEY

Latinovich—Arena—Dave Wright Student Nats-Leafs

The Hockey Yeomen's superb leftwinger, Steve Latinovich, this week was named to Canada's student national team which will represent this country in the World Student Games at Lake Placid. For the first time in four years Canada is competing in international hockey

Meanwhile, Latinovich scored the winning goal with only 25 seconds to play in a hard-fought 5-4 struggle against Queen's.

And to round off a productive week, Latinovich has agreed to attend the Detroit Red Wing training camp this fall. He has been told by the Wings' chief Toronto scout that there is only one left-winger (Nick Libbet) in the Detroit organization who is rated better. That includes

Yeomen of the Week

Right-winger Dave Wright is the winner of this week's award. Wright came to York from U of T and has played excellently both at defence and at right wing. Over the weekend he scored key goals in York's crucial games with Ottawa and Queen's. For details see Sportorial.

Winner of Yeomen of the Week wins free pi :za from Bobby Orr's Pizza.

their excellent second year man Guy Charron.

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Of course, they will have to offer Latinovich enough money to entice him away from an immediate career in Law. If he decides to play pro again (don't forget he played for Dallas in the CPHL), Latinovich reports that he will article after his hockey life is over. We think that he'll have plenty of support from who have swashbuckling style of play for the past three years.

Good news for frozen York spectators - next year's budget includes deflection heaters, painted walls, and plexiglass (instead of a dangerous fence) for our beloved Ice Palace.

As so often happens with an excellent team in any sport, there are several unsung heroes on this year's Yeomen. One in particular is Dave Wright who, on the weekend, scored two extremely important goals.

At the beginning of the season Wright tried out for the Varsity Blues but didn't survive the final cut. Then he quickly transferred to York and given a better chance to show his stuff, Coach Bill Purcell made him feel wanted.

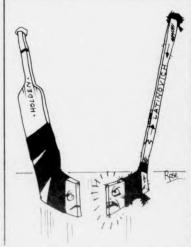
Wright started out as a defenceman, but has since played right wing on the Latinovich-Imlach line, filling in for the injured Ron McNeil. Dave's versatility was proven when on Friday night he scored the winning goal in a 3-2 thriller while playing defence and then scored the fourth goal (to tie the game at the time) on Saturday afternoon (see hockey story for details) with a

brilliant cut-in move from his rightwing position.

As a matter of interest, he has also scored a goal from each position in the two contests against the Blues this season.

Does anyone think it coincidental that six Blues' players were chosen to the Student National Team - a team which has as its manager, Tom Watt, who is also the coach of the of T is ranked only fourth in Canada

When I was a child my parents taught me that if one has nothing pleasant to say then say nothing at all. For this reason, I shall decline to discuss our fallen heroes - the



"Steve gets all the credit, and I do all the work!"