

'A hell of a good team'

Yeomen tie Blues 4-4

By JOHN MADDEN
York's hockey Yeomen battled the U of T Varsity Blues to a 4-4 tie Tuesday night at Varsity Arena. Jack Davidson, chief scout of the Chicago Black Hawks said that this contest was better than any Junior A game he has seen in the last few years.

In some aspects this was more

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impressive than York's 3-1 victory last year. The Yeoman, played in U of T's own arena spotted the Blues a goal lead three times but tied the score on each occasion. No one can say the Blues only tied York because Varsity was overconfident. Presumably they were anxious to avenge last year's defeat.

Varsity's coach Tom Watt was not entirely satisfied with his team's effort, but he was careful not to take credit away from the Yeomen who he called "a hell of a good hockey team."

Watt singled out York's captain, Murray Stroud, and goalie Bill Holden for special praise. Besides

scoring a goal Stroud played at least half the game and was chosen the game's first star.

Holden's splendid work in the first period even drew applause from the Toronto fans. He stopped two or three shots in a row from close in several times. The Blues peppered 21 shots at him in the opening period.

York drew first blood at 2:56 of the first period when Rodger Bowness deflected Brian Dunn's shot past Varsity's Grant Cole. The Blues tied the score late in the period. Mike Cyr slipped the puck over Holden's leg.

Varsity's Len Burman tallied early in the second period but York's Steve Latinovitch evened the score. Cole had blocked Ken Smith's deflection off Dave Kosoy's shot but was out of position when Latinovitch grabbed the loose puck.

Bill Bubba's goal at 12:06 gave the Blues a one goal advantage at the second intermission.

York tied the game in the third period when Stroud scored after taking Latinovitch's pass from behind the net. However, John Wright gave the Blues the lead for the third time with less than five minutes remaining.

The Yeomen, who had been looking forward to this match, refused to quit. The same can be said of their fans. Their Go, York, Go chant could even be heard over the Lady Godiva Band. Two minutes after Varsity's fourth goal Brian Dunn passed across the crease to Licio Cengarle, who deflected the puck into the net to make the final score 4-4.



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Rodger Bowness moves in to check U of T's John Wright. Wright assisted on all four of U of T's goals.

Guelph shows promise after beating York 2-1

By JOHN MADDEN

One of the complaints made by boys coming to good Canadian university teams from Junior A clubs is that the competition at the university level is not as good. For instance, there are some good teams in the OQAA but there are also some weak sisters.

When talking about weaker teams, many used to think of the University of Guelph Gryphons.

Guelph, being a small university, supposedly should not attract as many talented players as the University of Toronto, Queen's or McGill. The Gryphons finished last in the OQAA's western division last year. However, based on the games played this autumn, the Gryphons should do no worse than fourth place. Coach Dave Chambers has moulded a good skating club which plays a clean and very entertaining style of hockey. The Gryphons used this formula successfully to defeat the Yeomen 2-1 in Guelph on Saturday. From a spectator's viewpoint, this was the most entertaining game this year.

All 18 Guelph players deserve credit for the victory. Goalie Pat Killoran, who stopped 22 shots, made some important saves, especially in the third period which the Yeomen dominated. Guelph's manager claimed their defence blocked 33 shots — 11 more than the goalie. The defenders also made certain no York attackers were loose in front of the net. The forwards successfully forechecked the Yeomen in their own end. In previous games, York's defencemen have ignited the attack by short, quick passes up the middle. On Saturday, they often had to pass to wingmen along the boards or dump the puck out of the center ice.

The Yeomen helped Guelph's forechecking by reacting more slowly than usual; at times, they were hesitating before passing or shooting.

Guelph dominated the first period, outshooting the visitors 12-5. The only goal came when Guelph's Pete Turner deflected Morley Johnson's shot high into the net. Turner tallied again in the second period, flipping a loose puck into the net on a Gryphon power play.

The Yeomen almost tied the game in the third period but their efforts fell short. Murray Stroud scored York's only goal mid-way through the period. Don West outmanoeuvred two Guelph players and got the puck along the boards to Ken Smith who relayed to Stroud. Stroud carried the puck out from behind the goal line and caught the far side of the net from a difficult angle.

Rodger Bowness almost scored with a couple of deflections. On one occasion, he deflected Roger Galipeau's shot across the crease, but the Guelph defenceman knocked the puck away before Brian Dunn could reach it. Steve Latinovitch's shot hit the post earlier in the period.

This reporter thought goalie Bill Holden and defenceman Don West were York's best players. Holden made many good saves, especially on shots to his stick side. West's rushes broke up Guelph's forechecking.

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