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Stiffest league opposition yet

Lutheran outpucked 6-4 by hockey Yeomen

By JOHN MADDEN

The hockey Yeomen defeated the Waterloo-Lutheran Golden Hawks 6-4 last Thursday in Kitchener, to extend their OIAA record to four wins and no losses.

Although Lutheran has not been very successful in league play, the club is better than its record (0-2-2) indicates. The Golden Hawks provided the stiffest opposition the Yeomen have encountered in league play so far. Like Ryerson, they should improve as the schedule progresses.

Lutheran's coach, Larry Pfaff, felt his men could have won, if they had forechecked in the first period as they did in the last two. Pfaff explained that his forwards were hanging back at the blue line and not going deep into York's end to break up the plays in the first period. The Yeomen led 3-0 after the opening 20 minutes.

At times, York's attack appeared disorganized, but Pfaff pointed out that his club's strong forechecking had caused mistakes. "We forechecked them to death in the last two periods," he said.

He recalled that people had said the Waterloo Warriors had played a bad game when Lutheran

OIAA finals in volleyball set for York

The 1970 volleyball OIAA championships will be held at York.

The tournament had been originally scheduled for Brock University, but due to lack of facilities at Brock, it was rescheduled to here.

For the last two years when the championship has been held here, the Yeomen have won and their chances of a third victory look good.

Until now, the team has not been very successful, but all the games have been exhibitions against teams not in York's league. The Yeomen now have four remaining games before the tournament, which will be held Feb. 13 in the main gym.

York will compete against Waterloo-Lutheran, Laurentian, Brock and Ryerson in the tourdefeated them 4-3. "They didn't play badly; our forechecking made them look bad." Waterloo is currently in second place in the OQAA.

The ice, which was slow and chippy, probably aided Lutheran's forechecking and hampered York's skating. It was like skating on pebbles. "It looked like the ice had acne," Yeoman Steve Latinovitch said later.

Happy at picking up two points on the road, Coach Bill Purcell said he was not surprised at the closeness of the score. He remarked that Lutheran, who finished second in the OIAA last year, has always had a strong team. They ruined York's chances of finishing first when they defeated the Yeomen 4-3 in Kitchener last year.

As far as individuals are concerned, Pfaff remarked that any

team with Murray Stroud and Steve Latinovitch is bound to be strong. He also praised Brian Dunn who scored two goals. Dave Kosoy turned in another solid effort, offensively and defensively. The defenceman was on the ice for only one Lutheran goal and played the last three and a half minutes when the Yeomen thwarted Lutheran's efforts to tie the score.

When the Yeomen built up a 3-0 lead in the first period, it looked as if they were headed for another lopsided victory. Some of the York fans who made the trip to Kitchener were already thinking about the Yeomen scoring 10 goals.

The first two York goals were identical - the centre-man had the puck in the right corner and passed along the crease to the left-winger who tapped it in. Stroud set up Latinovitch for the first goal while Rodger Bowness and Brian Dunn

combined two and a half minutes later. Bruce Penny converted Donny Young's pass later in the period to make the score 3-0.

Lutheran's Barry Bysaiko scored the only goal in the second period, and by then it was obvious the Hawks were not going to let the Yeomen walk over them. Licio Cengarle tallied early in

the third period, but Lutheran bounced back with two goals to narrow York's margin to 4-3. Encouraged by their fans, the Hawks stormed into York's end, looking for the tying goal.

They were buzzing around goalie Bill Holden when Dave Kosoy passed from behind the goal line to Murray Stroud at the face-off circle in York's end. Stroud saw George Corn cutting behind the Lutheran defence. Taking Stroud's pass at the red line, Corn skated away from the defence and scored

what proved to be the winning goal. Lutheran again narrowed York's lead to one goal at 16:26 but, after that, they never came close to tying the score. Showing remarkable poise, John Robb, Bob Modray, Stroud, Kosoy and Galipeau halted Lutheran's momentum.

With a minute remaining, Purcell sent out the line of Bowness, Dunn and Cengarle to take a face-off in York's end. Dunn got the puck at York's blue line and lofted a backhander that cleared Lutheran's defenceman like a home run sailing over an outfielder's head. The puck dropped about 20 feet in front of the goal and slid into the net like a perfect 3-iron shot rolling up to the pin.

Ice Chips: The junior varsity club spotted Centennial College a 3-0 lead after two periods, but rallied to win 4-3 on Jan. 13. Don Fraser scored twice while Ken MacRitchie and Jim Posick had singles. Their record is 5-2-3 and their next. home game is Thursday, January

29th against Seneca College. Ron Porter, who had mononucleosis during the holidays, made the trip to Kitchener but did not play. . . Purcell hopes the defenceman will be back in a couple of weeks. ... Some of the York tans were talking about chartering a bus to Sudbury for the Laurentian game. It's a good idea. The enthusiastic Laurentian fans are probably worth at least a goal to the Voyageurs. A good contingent of York fans will mean the same for the Yeomen in Sudbury Feb. 1.

OIAA HOCKEY STANDINGS

	GP	W	L	Т	FA	P	ts.
YORK	4	4	0	0	34		8
Ryerson	4	3	1	0	26	21	6
Laurentian	3	2	0	1	23	12	5
Trent	5	1	3	1	20	32	3
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Lutheran	4	0	2	2	18	21	2
Brock	4	0	4		18		0

York women come fourth

The women's volleyball team came in fourth in a field of nine at the Waterloo Invitational Tournament last weekend.

The University of Toronto team came first, Western came second and Waterloo third.

After regular play York was tied with McMaster and Cortland, an



nament. Lutheran and possibly Laurentian are the teams to watch. The team winning the most games of the round-robin will be this year's champions, going on to the CIAU championships to be held in Winnipeg Feb. 20 and 21.

THAT SMARTS!

McMaster's Steve Mettrich shows some of the power and form in this "Iron Cross", the most difficult of all gymnastic feats, that won him the overall individual award at a meet here

Saturday. Teams from York, the University of Toronto and McMaster competed. York won in overall points.

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American squad, but York's better record put them into the semifinals with the Toronto team. Toronto won with a strong effort and went on to defeat Western in a see-saw battle.

Western beat York three games straight in an exhibition game in London Jan. 12.

Yeomen bounce Ryerson, Queens in B-ball

By DAVID CROCKER

York kept up their winning ways last week with two big basketball victories. They came up with a really fine effort to crush Ryerson 95-51 and then later in the week dropped Queens in Kingston 70-58.

It was surprising how much significance three fouls could have in a basketball game. In the first of York's B-ball wins last week it made all the difference in the world.

Let's set the situation. The Yeomen were playing an important league game at Ryerson. Only seven men dressed. Jim Maydo was out with stretched knee ligaments. Gus Falcioni was suffering from an attack of bronchitis and was in bed. Alf Lane and Sandy Nixon had an eligibility problem which was not settled until later in the week. Barry Turnbull was up from the junior team to fill in.

On top of all this, York opened the game with seven fouls before Ryerson got one and before the game was even 10 minutes old.

Three fouls went to veteran centre Ron

Kimel. With only seven men in uniform, Coach Arthur Johnson was forced to pull Kimel and insert rookie centre Bob Weppler. "Wep" was more than equal to the occasion.

Weppler led all scorers with 21 points. He showed aggressive rebounding on the defensive boards and was the pivot for an inspired offense. He controlled the ball well from outside and inside and showed flashes of future brilliance.

The first half ended 31-21 for the Yeomen. Neither team excelled. The second half, however, was a different story.

York came out of the dressing room as if they really wanted to win. They picked up the tempo and began to run. They showed a really good fast break, something new to a York basketball team. They played aggressive defense and walked away with the game by a final score of 95-51.

At the buzzer John Pizale had 17 points, George Dubinsky had 16, Jim Mountain had 15 and Stan Raphael had 14. Kimel sunk 5.

Turnbull got his first points for varsity, notching seven in this game. He led the charge in the second half with his good ball handling and fast aggressive driving.

On Saturday, the Yeomen travelled to Kingston where they beat the Queen's Golden Gaels for their second big win of the week. This game saw the return of Alf Lane and Sandy Nixon to the club. Nixon made his presence felt with 22 points. The news, however was not all good.

John Pizale saw only spot duty in the first half and came out in "civies" for the second half. He had been hobbled earlier in the week by a pulled leg muscle and it hampered his play enough for him to pack it in after a frustrating first half.

York started the game in what has become the accustomed manner. They had a collective cold hand and wound up trailing at the half 33-30. Queens couldn't beat a good York defense and York was bothered, somewhat, by a spotty Queen's press.

George Dubinsky took charge as the second half began. Playing an unfamiliar guard spot in place of Pizale, Dubinsky began to hit consistently from 30 feet, breaking the back of the Queens team. The Yeomen finally pulled ahead 37-36 and widened the margin to 70-58 at the final buzzer. It was a tough game throughout. Stan Raphael was given a really rough time underneath as both teams used their elbows as hammers. The one fact that turned the tide in the second half, along with Dubinsky's scoring was the fine rebounding of the Yeomen. They controlled both the offensive and defensive boards. Raphael, Kimel and Lane were solid as usual, and Jim Mountain was up there with the best, grabbing the lion's share of rebounds in the second half.

Nixon led all scorers with his 22 points, followed for York, by Dubinsky who potted 14 (12 in the second half). Raphael had nine points for the winners with Kimel swishing eight, Lane with six, Mountain with five and Weppler with four.