SPORTS

Yeomen regain first place with sweep of Laurentian

By EDO VAN BELKOM

The York Yeomen went into last weekend's action against the Laurentian Voyageurs looking to regain top spot in the OUAA, and by Sunday night they were once again comfortably perched in first place.

The Sudbury based squad came into the Ice Palace with an 8-8-2 record but fell below the 500 mark with a pair of losses to York by scores of 12-3 and 5-3.

These two victories coupled with the upset of the season, a loss by the U of T Blues to the McMaster Marlins 3-2, have left York with a two-

point lead over the Laurier Golden Hawks.

Laurier still has a game in hand and one fewer loss than the Yeomen. If the two teams go on to win all of their remaining games the Hawks will end up in first place and the Yeomen will have to be content with settling for second. York finished its two game series against Laurier early in the season managing a loss and a tie, however the national rankings will probably not change. York should continue to be ranked higher than Laurier by virtue of their two victories over the Hawks in tourna-ROB LOWE

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ment competition.

In Saturday night's game the Yeomen thoroughly trounced the Voyageurs (Vees) by a 12-3 score. A total of 14 Yeomen figured in the scoring with impressive performances by Brian Small—4 goals, Lawrence Smith-3 goals, 1 assist, and Brian Gray-4 assists.

The two teams took to the ice less than 24 hours later and even though the score was a more respectable 5-3 for the Yeomen, the outcome was never in doubt throughout the 60 minutes.

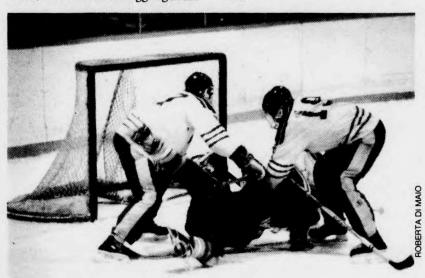
The two goal victory in the second

match came as no surprise to Yeomen head coach Dave Chambers. "It's not a surprise when you beat a team by a big score. They're stinging and come back fired up," Chambers said. "No matter what you say to your team they're going to take them lightly the next day.'

In Sunday's game the offensive punch was provided by wingers Rick Morrocco and Joe Pocoene. Morrocco, who has been struggling in the

goal scoring department lately, broke loose having a hand in all five York goals with three of his own and two assists. Pocobene, York's leading point getter to date who sat out Saturday's contest, had a goal and two assists.

On Wednesday night the Yeomen hosted the Waterloo Warriors but the results were not available at press



YOUR GOING DOWN: Bill Maquire and Centreman Tom Vannatter neutralize a Vee in front of the York goal.

Yeowomen rebound from loss to down Guelph 5-1

By MANOJ PRAJAPAT

On the rebound from a 5-3 loss to McMaster last Friday, the York Yeowomen defeated the Guelph Gryphons 5-1 Tuesday night at the

Barb Cromb, Kelly Vandenthillart, Judi Gilbert, Karen Downard and Christine Clayton scored for

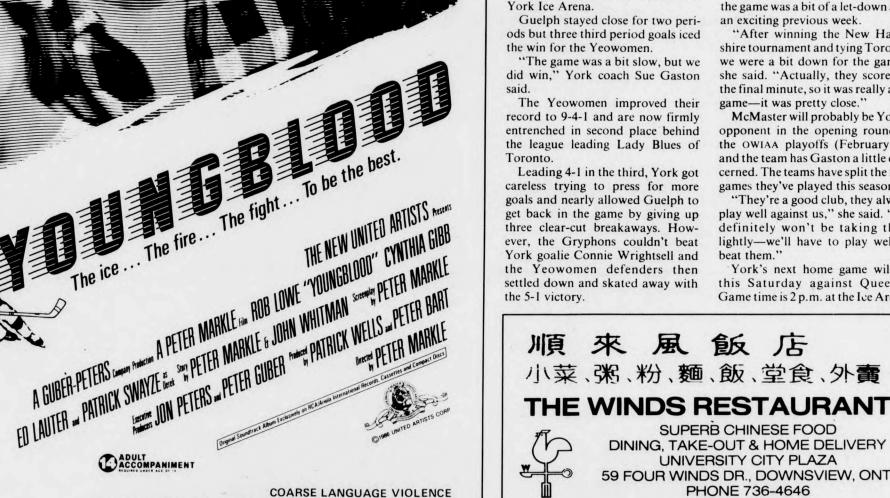
Against McMaster, Gaston felt the game was a bit of a let-down after an exciting previous week.

"After winning the New Hampshire tournament and tying Toronto, we were a bit down for the game," she said. "Actually, they scored in the final minute, so it was really a 4-3 game-it was pretty close."

McMaster will probably be York's opponent in the opening round of the OWIAA playoffs (February 15) and the team has Gaston a little concerned. The teams have split the four games they've played this season.

"They're a good club, they always play well against us," she said. "We definitely won't be taking them lightly-we'll have to play well to beat them."

York's next home game will be this Saturday against Queen's. Game time is 2 p.m. at the Ice Arena.







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