



### Sports Ramblings

With Bruce Hood

WELL AS MOST people know by now the great Gordie Howe was in the town of Milton Friday as a special guest of the minor hockeyists. With Red Kelly and scout Donny Graham, Gordie came here after a plane flight from New York where the Red Wings had played the previous night and had been beaten 5-0. The trio along with George Hood of the Rotary club and Art Snarr, chairman of the local minor hockey body, dined in the Milton Inn's exclusive dining room prior to going around the corner to the rink which was jammed with kids just waiting for the big moment.

Not knowing for sure who had come to town, whether it was Charlie Burns, Terry Sawchuk or who, we were wondering just who it would be when we were invited to go over and meet the distinguished guests. Herb Higgs, one of hockey's best boosters in town, and I went into the dining room and sure enough there they sat, two people who are admired by thousands and thousands across Canada and the U.S.A. and who you hear talked about over radio and TV and read about in the newspapers almost as much as you do the Prime Minister. We were introduced to the group and joined in the conversation which came from between the mouthfuls of food which the party was enjoying. Howe and Kelly polished off their T-bone steaks as if they were eating hamburger and showed that playing hockey in the N.H.L. sure gave them an appetite. Ridiculous as it may seem we have always held the two as well as all N.H.L. players in the highest esteem, as if they were some kind of gods and being able to sit down and talk to them one soon learned that they are ordinary human beings and two real swell everyday fellows to talk to.

WE WALKED BACK to the arena with Red Kelly and on the way he asked what size ice surface we had and how our team was doing and it made me think that here was a fellow, if a youngster were wanting to pick an idol, that would be the man to choose. Not because he had asked about our town but when you stop to think of the hundreds of small towns across the country pro hockey players must stop over in to be guest celebrities during their playing time, it's wonderful to think he would be interested at all.

The players were shown into the arena where they stepped into the midgets' dressing room for a word of confidence to the locals (which didn't help) and then they went upstairs to sign autographs for the youngsters who by this time were swelling the hallways to get near the pair. After making presentations and draws, signing autographs and doing some kibitzing the pair were thanked by Ken Dick, M.C. for the night, and they left at approximately 9:15 to return to Toronto to prepare for Saturday's game with the Leafs. (The visit to Milton didn't do anything exceptional for the Red Wings as they were again beaten and dropped into last place). Although as a youngster we always looked forward to meeting a professional hockey player some day, the idea at this time was not too appealing but when they arrived on the scene we were as delighted as the young set and so were the few oldsters who got in for the treasured autographs which they said were for a child at home or a brother. But we know the story.

TWO OF MILTON'S ENTRIES in Ontario playdowns are starting their playoffs this week with the Sport and Cycle juveniles already embroiled in a battle with Orangeville while the Milton Merchants are waiting for Friday night's game to decide the opposition for them in the Intermediate "B" Central group playoffs. A win by Milton could have them into third place and pitted against Georgetown while a Stouffville win would leave the locals in fourth spot for a go with Bradford. Either way it's quite a struggle. Tuesday the Juves played the second game of their series with Orangeville and tied the affair at one game apiece with the winner to be decided at Milton Arena this Tuesday night. Meanwhile it is likely the Merchants will start their playoffs next week also and so local fans are in for some terrific hockey action.

#### SPORTOPICS

The Merchants held a successful dance to boost their funds last Saturday night and asked us to express their thanks to those that attended and made the affair such a success. . . A new curling rink was opened in the town of Brampton recently and the building was put up in the Brampton fairground as a joint effort by the Curling club and the Peel Agricultural Society. . . Referred an exhibition game at Georgetown Saturday night between Guelph Biltmores of the O.H.A. Junior "A" and the Georgetown Raiders who sit atop the Central Ontario Intermediate "B" loop. Close to 900 fans sat in on the tilt that was one of the fastest games of hockey we have witnessed this term. Georgetown lost 3-2. . . Georgetown's Junior "C" hockey club starts its playoffs this week and it would be interesting to know how Milton's Junior squad would have done in that Super Seven club league. The Georgetown Juniors finished in fifth spot.

Milton's police detachment of the OPP teamed up with the county unit and defeated a team composed of members of the Trafalgar police unit, the Oakville OPP and the Oakville police department. The locals registered an 18-3 win. . . Milton's Bantam hockey team played in Georgetown Sunday and won 6-5 in their first contest. . . The winning goal for Georgetown last Friday night in the Intermediate game came seconds after the referee had called a penalty on goalie Don Anderson for throwing the puck ahead. . . Something we forgot to mention last week is the fact that we received our Refrigeration Operator's certificate from the Department of Labour recently and are pleased to be able to tell you. . . HOW ABOUT THAT — Gal: I made this cake all by myself. Guy: That's swell. But who helped you lift it out of the oven?

### Bees Nudge Merchants Another One Goal Loss

Milton's hockey hopes, the Merchants, travelled to Beeton Monday night and dropped another tilt by a one goal margin. This time the count was 9-8 in favor of the Bees who remained in fifth spot in the Central Ontario loop where they have been most of the winter. Beeton zoomed to an early lead notching four goals in the first 10 minutes of play with Don Rose in the nets for Milton in place of the injured Fred Leaver. Milton came back to score three in the first and add three more in the second to go in front 6-3 entering the final canto. The Merchants managed a pair of markers in this frame but the Bees came on strong in the Merchants' dying minutes and fired three in the last ten minutes to win. Price Regains Form Ab Bowen was the scoring leader for Beeton counting three goals while Jim Pendergast fired two. Bruce Nichol, Ken Kelly, Dave Seely and Pat Wilson divided singles for the remaining Bees markers. For the Merchants Jackie Price who has been returning to his old scoring form in recent games, came up with a three-goal effort in this one and John Evans came through with a twosome. Stu Hannant, defenceman Walt Wilson and John Botter added a goal each for the locals. This was the third loss in a row for Milton; the first of which was

### Feminine Pucksters Trounce Tannerytown

Milton's feminine hockeyists travelled to Acton on the weekend and won over the tannerytowners with a 5-3 count. Milton's goals came mostly from the stick of Jackie Childs who fired four of the five while Linda Crucifix added the other. The club is sponsored by Edith Dancocks of the Milton Sport and Cycle and the girls' team was arranged when Acton requested some opposition for their team on a big night upcoming in the town of Acton.

## Highwaymen Skate to 6-4 Industrial Win Robertsons Continue to Rack Up Big Wins



—Photo by Rupert.

OFFICIATING for the faceoff in the midget game between Milton and Georgetown, Gordie Howe drops the puck and "Red" Kelly looks on as Wayne Norton, left, of Georgetown and Russ McKersie of Milton get set to clash over the puck. The Red Wings stars were welcome guests of honor at the minor hockey night in Milton Friday.

## Pharmacy Upsets Ledwiths 6-2 K. Desjardine Scores Hat Trick

**Midget Pharmacy Wins Second**  
Minor hockey action at the arena Saturday morning saw Milton Pharmacy come up with a 6-2 upset over front ranking Ledwiths in the midget series with Knights casing through for a 3-2 victory over Department Store in the other midget encounter of the morning. John White and Dave Lawrence each scored two goals for the winning Pharmacy squad while Bob Lawrence and Wayne Brush came through with singles. Mike Welding and Bruce McDuffe were the losers' marksmen. Knights goalscorers were Harold Wilson with a pair and Terry Sharples with one. Dave Aseltin and John Sosnowski fired the D.S. counters.

**Bantam Desjardine Nets Three**  
The bantam division had Spring-

field downing Buffalo 5-3 to draw to within one point of third place Buffalo, while Pittsburgh won over Cleveland 3-1 and Rangers and Canadiens played to a one all stalemate.

Springfield's big victory was sparked by the two goal efforts of Ricky Rowley and Brian Lee with Roger Johnson adding the other tally. Ron Patterson with a pair; Brian Lee with Roger Johnson adding the other tally. Ron Patterson with a pair and Terry Cairns were the Buffalo notchers. Kenny Desjardine was the threat in the Pittsburgh-Cleveland game counting all three Pittsburgh goals while Leon Stickle managed the only Cleveland tally. Don Chisholm and Barry Fletcher split the goals scored in the Ranger-Canadiens game.

**Pee Wee Leafs Defeat Detroit**  
Move Back Into First

Leafs three and Detroit two was the final count in the first game of pee wee hockey with Chicago winning over Boston 3-1. Andy Berry with two and Donnie Hearn a single goal led Leafs to their big win that boosted them back into first place, one point ahead of Detroit. Paul Mountain and Trevor Houston netted the Detroit goals. Mike Wilson, Maurice Cassidy and Tony Barr fired the winning Chicago goals while Steve Lawrence managed the lone Boston marker. This Saturday's action — 7:30, Springfield vs Cleveland; 8:15, Rangers vs Pittsburgh; 9:00, Canadiens vs Buffalo; 10:00, Ledwiths vs Knights; 10:45, Milton Pharmacy vs Dept. Store; 11:30, Leafs vs Boston; 12:15, Detroit vs Chicago.

## Milton Junior Farmers Tie Series

**Murray Rampages**  
Some 136 minutes in penalties were handed out in the fourth game of the Halton County Junior Farmer finals at Milton Arena Monday night with Milton coming out on top of a 19-8 count over Palermo.

**Brush Sensational**  
A sensational scoring surge by Milton's Bill Brush led the victors as they took a 2-1 first period lead, stretched it to 7-4 entering the third, and although outscored 4-3 in the final period remained in the lead for a big win. A win by Palermo in the game would have put them in a position to take the championship next Monday but now the clubs are on equal terms.

Brush with five goals, Doug LeRiche on a pair with Graham Gillies, Don Learmont and Clarence McCann adding singles were the winners' tally men. D. Vivian netted four markers and Bob Marshall had two while Dave Murray and Hedley Farrow came through with one apiece for Palermo to fall short of the amount needed.

**Milton Leads Throughout**  
Milton opened the scoring in the first stanza. Brush netted his first on a pass from Jim Learmont and it was Brush again minutes later as he went in alone and caught an open corner. Dave Murray took the puck from Doug LeRiche at centre ice and went in alone to drive the puck past goalie John Eves for a 2-1 count. Graham Gillies set the puck on Don Learmont's stick on a Milton power play and Learmont made no mistake. Bob Marshall counted one for Palermo from a scramble after this and Doug LeRiche let go a dribbler that rolled into the open corner of the net as Palermo goalie Wetlaufer apparently misjudged the missile.

**Brush Adds Three**  
Bill Brush added three more in this period with Vivian coming through with a pair for Palermo. Leading 7-4 entering the final period Clarence McCann stretched the lead to 8-4 with an easy shot that dribbled in. Bill Marshall and Dave Murray then tallied to draw Palermo closer until Johnny Willmott passed to Doug LeRiche who was in the clear up centre ice and skated in to score the ninth Milton tally. Vivian counted for Palermo with Milton a man short. After this Graham Gillies came through with another for Milton to just about sew up the game. However Don Vivian, a real workhorse, counted Palermo's eighth tally with less than a minute and a half to go in the game, scoring on a screen shot.

Robertson's continued on their winning ways in Industrial hockey Thursday night when they took an 8-2 decision on runnerup Ontario Steel in the first game of the twin bill. Gerrys ran out of steam in the third period after coming from behind to take a 4-3 lead and let the Department of Highwaymen skate to a 6-4 win in the nightcap of the games played at Milton Arena.

**Threesome Fire Six**  
Tom Barrett, Don Kearney and Bill Hutt came through with two goals apiece for the winning P.L.R. squad while Bobby Sales and Ron Phillips were in the scoring column with singles. Ross Turner and Jim Stirling were the O.S.P. marksmen.

Robertsons hit for five goals in the opening period and led 5-1 entering the second. The screwmen then added a pair in this session with the two clubs splitting two in the third. Seven penalties were doled out by referees Bruce Hood and Glen Dance with OSP drawing three of these in the fast moving game in which Robertsons held a definite edge throughout.

**DHO Wins Second Game**  
The highway boys came through with a big win in the second game and with Jack Roberts and Bill Allison netting two goals, Ron Anderson, George Aduranti and Norm McIntyre singles they zoomed ahead with a victory. Bruce Bell, Terry Brush, Gord Bell, and Gerry Timbers split the Gerry goals that almost won the contest.

Highways led 2-1 at the end of the first period and each club counted once in the middle canto for a 3-2 score. Gerrys struck for two quick tallies early in the third period to take the lead 4-3, but a second marker for Bill Allison in the game tied the score and the same Allison set Roberts up for the winning goal while Roberts added an insurance tally all by himself. Just four penalties were called with Gerrys drawing three.

**MIL NOTES:** Tonight's games have Gerrys slated to meet Robertsons in the opener at 7:30 while Ontario Steel and Department of Highwaymen collide at 9:00. . . Players are asked to note that DHO plays second game always and this has therefore called for a schedule revision for the remaining part of the term. . . There are only three more nights of league play before the playoffs get under way. . . Next week P. L. Robertsons draw the late encounter with DHO while Ontario Steel are in at the late hour in two weeks. . . The crowds have fallen off lately for the games but playoff time should brighten things, the league hopes. . . Bob Sales the loop's top scorer, has accumulated 23 goals and 20 assists in his reign. . . Hap Emms missed the game with Gerrys and was missed up centre. . . Playoffs in the loop will have the first and third club pitted against each other with second and fourth pairing off in the best two of three semi final series.

### Scoreboard

Central Ontario Intermediate	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Georgetown	27	21	5	1	202	127	43
Bradford	29	18	8	2	229	133	40
MILTON	27	14	13	0	172	157	28
Stouffville	27	13	12	2	206	169	28
Beeton	22	9	10	3	122	122	21
Alliston	23	9	13	1	102	133	19
Collingwood	23	8	15	2	104	143	18
Orangeville	23	8	19	1	101	234	7

Friday—Georgetown 8 Milton 7  
Monday—Beeton 9 Milton 8

**Tri-County Juvenile**  
Best two of three series tied at one game each.  
MILTON . . . . . 1 1 9 8 2  
Orangeville . . . . . 1 1 8 9 2

Wednesday—Orangeville 4 Milton 1  
Tuesday—Milton 8 Orangeville 4  
Deeding game next Tuesday at Milton Arena at 8:30 p.m. Orangeville vs Milton.

**Halton County Junior Farmer**  
Best four out of seven series tied at two games each.  
Palermo . . . . . 2 2 37 36 4  
MILTON . . . . . 2 2 36 37 4

Monday's result — Milton 10 Palermo 8  
Next game this Monday at Milton arena at 8:30 p.m. — Palermo vs Milton

**Industrial Hockey**  
P. L. Robertson . . . . . 12 6 132 53 24  
Ontario Steel . . . . . 7 5 71 55 14  
Gerry's . . . . . 4 9 58 68 6  
Dept. Highwaymen . . . . . 2 10 48 91 4  
Thursday's Results—PLR 8 OSP 2  
Tonight—7:30—PLR vs Gerry's  
9:00—DHO vs OSP

## Billy Brush Top Scorer Of 4 Teams

Officials of the Tri-County juvenile hockey league announced this week that Bill Brush of Milton, who scored 18 goals and eight assists for a total of 28 points in the 17 season's games he played, would receive the high scorer trophy at the windup banquet for all teams in the league. Glenn Osborne of Oakville was named the league's most valuable player while Jim Holliday, Oakville twine protector, was judged best goalie with a 1.72 average for 11 games, in which he allowed only 19 goals.

**Oakville Waits**  
Due to a snow storm Orangeville didn't make one Milton game and this throws the semi-final series late. Another game scheduled for Wednesday of this week in Milton was cancelled and will be played next week. Oakville won the Series A two straight over Brampton with 4-2 and 5-4 (overtime) wins. The tri-county championship will have to be delayed until after the A and B series winners have finished their O.M.N.A. playoffs.

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To help protect your car against theft, or if it is stolen to assist the police in its quick recovery, here are a few safeguards to take.

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3. Never leave valuable articles where they can be seen. This is just inviting a break-in.
4. Place a hidden mark on your car — such as, under the dashboard. Then you'll be able to identify your car, even if the thief repairs it or changes the license number.
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