THE TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS are in second place in the National Hockey League as we said they would be. Actually this is true because at the first of the year we forecast a second place finish for the Leafs behind record breaking Montreal and it seemed amazing to me that the way the standings went this week was just the way we called it to finish up. Certainly we are a long way from the windup of the season but we can't see too many changes being made in the way it stands now.

TO GO TO ANOTHER national sports scene (something we seldom do in this newspaper as we feel the dailies give it enough ink) that Grey Cup football game didn't prove a thing to me at all. As a Hamilton fan (it rubs off from brother Murray who attended the game at Toronto) we honestly thought the Ti-Cats would win the big game, especially after dropping the one last year.

However Winnipeg had other ideas and as is usual in a game of this type where a mistake is generally the deciding factor, it was the fumble by Gerry McDougall in the final quarter to give the Blue Bombers the ball in Hamilton territory that was the major mistake. A touchdown after this was the undoing of the Cats and that old song "Hang Down Your Head Jim Trimble" slowly came into being a reality once again as it was after the 1958 Grey Cup when Winnipeg took the coveted trophy west with them. To think that the over 33,000 people who attended the game plus those who watched or listened to it and those who will view it on film created record breaking revenues, it is certainly true what one sportscaster observed, that it is a great promotion for any city involved in the event, certainly the top Canadian highlight in sport along with the Stanley Cup finals.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT THIS WEEK by Muzz Patrick, general manager of the New York Rangers, that all goalies in the Ranger farm system are to wear face masks comes at a time when it seems most necessary. The recent addition to regular equipment of Jacques Plante (Montreal Canadian netminder) of a moulded type mask, has brought varied results in talk on the matter across the country.

We saw one young fellow get hit last year playing goal for Leafs in our own minor system here in town. He was doing the thing which all goalies are supposed to do and that is stop the puck. However we certainly can't see why one individual should risk being permanently scarred by receiving a belt in the eye with a puck or even a high stick, which is another threat around the goal.

Recent comment has found face masks and helmets to be a favorable addition to the wearing apparel of any hockey player who

An indication of the value of a helmet was pointed out recently by Don "Boom Boom" Gravett, sports writing hockey player of Exeter, in his column in the Times-Advocate there. He points out that "using a helmet has saved having the local doctors patch us up with some 30 stitches in our 'noggin', according to groove marks in the helmet created by high sticks". Boom received a minor concussion in a hockey game last winter and missed the latter part of the season as a result, and because of the injury he received should be a good authority on the subject.

The Toronto Township Hockey League makes it compulsory for goalies to wear masks in all games and practices and with over 100 teams in the setup there are no exceptions.

These facts presented here and those you hear of every day certainly give a strong indication that masks when worn by goalkeepers are eventually going to be standard equipment for the protection of the hockey player. Also to cut down the numerous head injuries received by the players on the front wall, there certainly is no reason why they shouldn't wear helmets.

An indication of the changing ways in the protection of sports indulgents is the face guard worn by football players. This was not allowed a few years ago with a head helmet worn only. Now they have a large guard across the front of them which makes the idea seem as logical as a baseball player wearing a glove.

SPORTOPICS

A new goalie has joined the ranks of the Merchants hockey club. He is Bill Orr, one of the main cogs responsible in giving Milton an early sideline finish last year. Bill was with Bradford last year and the native of Toronto will be in the nets here Friday night against many of his old teammates. Bill made the move out here last week with team manager Alan Parton receiving the okay to use him Friday night in the Port Credit game (Merchants won 6-2) just a half hour before game time . . . Bradford did not intend to let the sharp little netminder go but as Brad Walker, sponsor of the Fords and a terrific sports enthusiast stated at the first of the season, when we spoke to him "we are playing hockey for the fun of it and if a player wants to go somewhere else that's his doings and we won't interfere . . . Orr could be the difference in tomorrow night's game to cut down the highscoring Bradford club which has scored almost twice as many goals as any other team in the league.

The juvenile hockey club pulled a big win in their Monday night game here . . . They used only eight players in the game to down Oakville 3-1 . . . They lost eight players from last season to overage but still have the nucleus of a top contender if they can get someone to fill in around these guys . . . Players who are not with the club this year include Elgin Murray, last year's M.V.P. who was killed in a car accident during the summer, Ron Hayward, Gord Bell, Doug Peddie, Gary Elwood, Bill Brush, Bill Richardson and Andy Murray . . . Bruce Marshall, Hap Emms and Harvey Brush looked after the youngsters on Monday afternoon who attended the hockey workouts. There were over 40 there so if any of

you fathers want to give a hand, the time is 5-6 on Mondays. HOW ABOUT THAT: A group of Cub Scouts were talking over plans for a hike. The leader suggested meeting at 10 in the morning because it was about a two-hour hike to the destination. One of the boys, a newcomer paled visibly. "You mean we're going to walk?" he asked.

Undefeated Georgetown Entry Now Defeated - Milton Wins

it is off to its best season in years | Milton is now in fourth place, by winning a 3-0 contest over just two points away from second Georgetown Monday night, at the place Acton. In between is Bramp-

arena. viously been undefeated in four games and the last time the teams met the score ended at 9-1 for the in time.

papertowners. First Shutout

The locals scored a goal a period to gain the win and give goalie Wayne Timbers his first shutout since Saturday morning hockey

Goalscorers were Mike Pedulla (his third so far this year); Brian

Milton's midget entry has shown | McDuffe and Merv Fletcher. ton which gained a tie against Oak-The Georgetowners had pre- ville Monday for one extra point.

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Art Melanson Triggers Four in 10-3 Win Friday's Game to Decide Top League Spot

Stu Hannant and Jackie Price ac- ker Evans and Romeo Sawchuck counted for seven goals last night (Wednesday) as the Merchants breezed to a 10-3 win over Port Credit Sailors in the lakeside town's

sparkling new arena. Four Goal Effort

three. Stu did the laboring on six Ball drew the limit at the 13.58 here tomorrow night.

Bantam

Rickey Rowley fired three goals

to lead Cleveland to a 6-1 victory

over Hershey in the first minor

hockey action Saturday morning at

the others for the victors for their

second win in as many games.

Industrial hockey action with

Queenston Motors ending up on

Terry Fetter added singles.

demeanors.

roughed the play considerably.

Back on Win Track

Bill Alliston scored two goals and

Rams Blank C.T.C.

Rams skated to a 6-0 white-wash-

ing over Burlington Canadian Tire

in the first game Tuesday. Bud

Mckay with two goals with Jack

Price, Bill Orr, Ralph Booth and

Bob Mckay adding to the scoring

clinched the victory for the Rams

to move them back into second

place in the league standings ahead

Twenty minor penalties were

called in the game by referee

Bruce Hood with both clubs play-

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Bob Shepherd added one.

of Queenston Motors.

which temporarily tied them with rys.

stick of Doug Naylor.

. Cleveland on Top

Four Shutouts in Eight Tilts

Cancel Minor Hockey Saturday

the arena. Gary Corp, Gordon Bill Anderson and Trevor Houston

Rowley, Corp. Richard Boothby and Doug Hearns and Ron Patter-

and Tom Ramshaw drew assists, son added singles to give Spring-

The Hershey goal came off the field a 4-1 win over Buffalo. Art

Queenston, Rams Win Shutouts

Thursday, Nov. 26—Gerrys were ing a slap bang type of hockey.

Queenston scored two goals in the night and added four more

the first period and added three goals in the third period to walk

more in the second for the win away with a 7-1 victory over Ger-

first place P. L. Robertson. Brian Bob Sales and Nip Gervais fired

McMillan led the win in the scor- two goals apiece for the winners

ing column with three goals to his with Don Kearney, Bill Hutt and

A total of 16 penalties were doled Gerrys who couldn't seem to find

four of these.

credit while Armand Frasson and Wayne Hilson getting in for singles.

Queenston drew nine of the mis- in the game with P.L.R. collecting

P. L. Robertson got back on their Queenston meet in the first game

win track in the second game by which will decide second place in

of Highways. Ron Phillips scored battle in the second game, with D.

three; Bill Hutt and Bob Sales H.O. being able to move into a

scored two each with singles com- fifth place tie with a win . . . Ron

ing from the sticks of Graham Philips leads the league scoring

Gillies and Jack Roberts. For D. this year with 12 goals and 12 as-

taking a 9-3 win over Department the standings . . Gerrys and D.H.O.

out in the game as both clubs the net to shoot at.

H.O. who suffered their sixth loss sists to his credit.

blanked 5-0 in the first game of Eleven penalties went to the Rams.

Robertson Victories 9-3, 7-1

Hadley and Gordon Dixon added picking up assists.

remain at the bottom of the league with only one win so far.

Another Tie

Pittsburgh and Rangers tied

morning. Ken Desjardine and Ter-

ry Cairns scored Pittsburgh goals

with assists going to Alan Jones

and Desjardine. Dick Marshall

counted both Ranger markers with

Fletcher Shoots Pair

Barry Fletcher scored two goals

Brooks fired the lone losers' tally

Walk-Away Win

P. L. Robertson took a 2-1 first

period lead in the second game of

Gordy Bell scored the lone goal for

Only six minors were dished out

NOTES: Tonight Rams and

2-2 in the second game of

the second and then the Merchants nights and Murray unavailable. A total of 25 penalties were cal- outscored their opponents 3-2 in the Johnny Botter played two-thirds of

Period scoring went 3-0 at the Joe McCann and Murray Grenke end of the first, 7-1 at the end of missed the game with Joe working

led in the game by referee Pud final session for the win. The vic- the game on defense in their ab-Melanson fired four goals while Hammond with three misconducts tory puts them in a position to tie sence and was a stone wall against Price came through with the other included. Jackie Price and Blake Bradford for top spot with a win all attackers . . . Bill Orr played his second game in the Merchant net assists to his credit in the onslaught. mark of the third period when they NOTES: Don Currie worked on for two victories and will try to Sammy Mulholland, who sails down started off with two minutes for a line with Bruce Brown and Jack stretch it to three Friday when he the boards like a big fire engine, roughing and then earned five each Roberts in the game and turned in will make an effort to turn the tide shot a pair; Bruce Brown added the for fighting followed by miscon- a top effort on the move up from against his old teammates . . . The ducts to finish them for the night. the juvenile Sportsmen . . . Roberts O.H.A. gained \$30, on the night, \$20.

Rochester Blanks Canadiens Pee Wee

A 6-0 count was racked up in the Rochester - Canadiens game with the latter team drawing the blank. Lee McPhail and Criag Brush scored a pair each with Richard Randell and Bill Maxwell getting

Midget

R. Brown, Phil Sunstrum and David Lawrence were the goal scorers for Pharmacy as they registered a 3-2 win over Ledwiths. Ron Guild and Jack Kiervin scored for the losers.

up shutouts.

Detroit blanked Leafs 3-0 in their game with Paul Kitchen scoring two goals. Graham Dredge added the other with assists going to Paul Mountain and George

The final game of the morning ended in a shutout also with Boston being victorious in a 1-0 encounter. Danny Evans scored the lone winner's tally on a break-

Notes: Rick Rowley leads the bantam scorers with five goals and one assist . In the midget league there have only been nine goals Department Store and Knights scored to date with no player battled to a scoreless tie in their getting more than one point . . Ergame as both goalkeepers chalked ic McDuffe leads in the pee wee with three goals and one assist . .

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The potent trio of Art Melanson, For Port Credit Blake Ball, Crac- Cracker Evans drew a 10 minute has moved up from P. L. Robertson for the two P.C. misconducts and Milton 5 3 2 20 18 6 sentence also for remarks made to of the Industrial loop to help \$10. from Milton for Price's mis- Georgetown 5 2 3 20 31 4 Port Credit 4 1 3 13 27 2

by IVAN SLESSOR

WOULD-BE INVENTORS

I was reading in a motoring magazine the other day about some of the fantastic invention ideas car manufacturers are always receiving from amateur inventors. I was quite amused by some of the suggestions and thought you might be, too. Here's a sample of some of the "Why don't they" ideas mentioned in the article:

Have rain catchers installed on the roofs of cars so that radiators could be supplied automatically with water.

Equip cars wth a whistle or bell which would blow or clang when the speedometer registered 50 miles an hour.

Fit cars with a series of mirrors placed in front of the front wheels, at the back of the back wheels, plus at intermediate points . . . so that you wouldn't have to get out of the car when you had a flat to find out which tire was soft.

And there was this one from a farmer. He suggested that a wide spitoon be attached to the dashboard. Seems that his family were always complaining when he opened the car window on cold days to get rid of his tobacco juice.

Then there was the suggestion that cars should have a set of overhanging water sprinklers so that they could be automatically washed, water being supplied from the radiator.

As Art Linkletter would say, "People are funny." But the article did go on to say that 95% of worthwhile ideas are submitted by auto mechanics. To quote the car engineers' - "When these chaps have something they usually know it."

Which leads me into saying that maybe our mechanics haven't invented anything revolutionary (or maybe I just don't know about it), but they know everything about putting cars in top mechanical condition. Try them - and see.

Ivan K. Slesson



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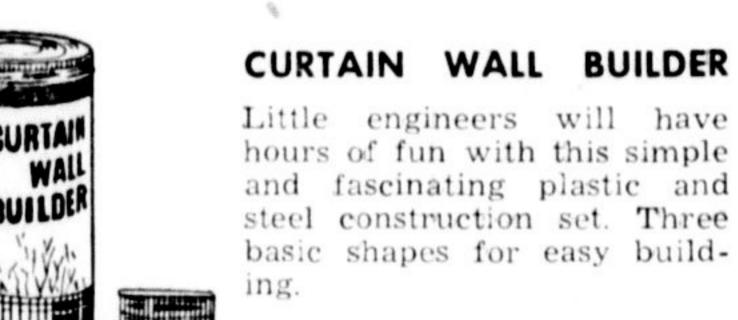
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