

Merchant Scoring Machine Buries Preston Pals 600 Hockey Fans Welcome Juniors Back to Town



PRE-GAME INSTRUCTIONS from coach Enio Scisizzi and assistant coach Murray Grenke didn't hinder the efforts of the Milton Merchants on Friday evening as they romped to an exciting 14-11 victory in the first game of their 32-game O.H.A. Junior "C" schedule. The Merchants were shorthanded for the season

opener as two of the players they hoped to have in the line-up were unable to get releases in time for the game. Shown before the start of the game are left to right, John Forbes, Murray Grenke, Pete Stemmans, Enio Scisizzi and Bill Anderson.

Milton Merchant Juniors displayed their talents for the first time this season on Friday evening as they racked up an impressive 14-11 win over the Preston Pals in an action packed Junior "C" contest at the arena. The new-born Junior entry convinced the 600 fans in attendance that they would bulge an awful lot of twine before their 32 game Junior "C" schedule ends in February.

The fast skating Merchants, colorfully arrayed in red, black and white uniforms, scored five times in the first period, twice in the second and seven times in the third as they bested the red-shirted Pals with their awesome scoring ability. Sharp shooting Craig Brush and strong skating Dick Marshall each netted four markers to pace the Merchant offensive. Marshall also contributed a pair of assists.

Lanky Jim Keane, who coach Scisizzi predicts could be an All-

Star set up three Merchant tallies and blinked the light twice for the locals. Defenceman Bill Anderson slapped in one goal and assisted twice and Alan Reid notched a goal and an assist. Defenceman Paul Legree and winger John Dunn each tallied once and Joe Hore, Roger Wildfong and Merv Fleicher each garnered a pair of assists. Rearguard Alain Bouchard and forward Jim Forbes

had an assist each. Despite their ability to score almost at will, the Merchants had a tough time racking up the decision as they trailed the pals 9-7 at the end of a free wheeling second period. In the third frame a pair of markers from Craig Brush notched the count but John Hanson's unassisted tally put the Pals back in front. Stiff skating Paul Legree, a Merchant import

from Port Credit, tipped in Alan Reid's pass to notch the count once more and less than five minutes later, defenceman Bill Anderson cashed in a pass from Dick Marshall to give Milton the lead for the first time since early in the second period.

The Pals were not finished however and left winger Ross Russel slid the puck past a sprawling Pete Stemmans, to tie the score again. After losing the lead, the Merchants seemed to become more determined and in quick fashion Jim Keane scored twice and Dick Marshall banged in a Keane pass to sew up the 14-11 win for the locals.

As the basketball type score would indicate, neither team seemed concerned with fore or back checking and as a result the netminders Pete Stemmans of Milton and Don Bender of the Pals were left to fend for their own on numerous occasions. After a somewhat shaky start Stemmans pulled himself together and turned in a strong game for Milton.

Officials called 18 penalties in the rough and ready contest, 10 of them to Milton. Prior to the start of the game Milton Merchant president Jim Smith welcomed the fans to the arena. Miss Milton Chamber of Commerce, Gail Thomas, presented red roses to the wives of the club's executive members and Milton Mayor S. G. Childs welcomed Junior hockey back to town and wished the team a successful season.

Special guests at the season opener were 35 children from the Ontario School for the Deaf, Milton. One of the students, Danny Pare, dropped the puck during the pre-game ceremonies.



WIVES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEMBERS were presented with red roses during the pre-game festivities and Miss Milton Chamber of Commerce Gail Thomas is shown presenting the roses to four of the charming ladies. Club executive members include Jim Smith, Pete McMullen, Frank Clarke, Chuck Gervais, Don South, Doug Hyatt, Dave Brush, Elmer Hornby, Ray Guay, John McLean, Murray Whistler and Clay Jubb.



35 STUDENTS from the Ontario School for the Deaf, Milton, were special guests of the Milton Merchants for the season opener. All the youngsters seemed to enjoy the game and they are shown here as they register their approval.



FIVE PRETTY CHEERLEADERS were on hand Friday evening to lead the Merchant cheering section. The girls, sporting white sweaters and Milton Merchant buttons, were in excellent voice for their job. Shown from left to right are Lynda Clarke, Jane Danboer, Mary Pickett, Joanne McCuaig and Paula Jacobs.



PIPE AND DRUM MUSIC at the opening game festivities was supplied by members of the Lorne Scots and Milton Girls' Pipe bands. Shown before the start of the game are some of the pipers and drummers who performed on Friday evening.

Sports

Exciting Pro-Am Action Features Close Contests

Regular season Pro-Am hockey action got underway Tuesday evening with Turner edging Kanerva 4-3 and McCutcheon downing Brush 4-2. In Thursday night action, Cain trounced Hiltz 5-1 and McTrach bounced Fox by a 13-3 count.

Nip Gervais, Elmer Wildfong, John Willmott and Bruce Bell each scored once as Turner topped Kanerva. Bruce Nicholson, John Willmott and Bruce Bell each garnered assists for the winners. Wayne McConnell triggered a hat trick for the losers and Ray Kanerva drew two assists while Bob Kanerva notched one "helper".

Doug McCutcheon's two markers and singles from Ben Alderchek and Larry Darby propelled the McCutcheon squad to a 4-2 win. Larry Darby, Glen Dance and Don Wilson each assisted once. Gerry Timbers tallied twice for the losing Brush squad and Larry Arbie assisted on both

goals. In Thursday night action, George Chisholm's hat trick and singles from Gary Bunch and Alan Claremont gave the Cairns club a 5-1 win. Claremont and Chisholm each earned a pair of assists and Gary Bunch drew a single assist. John McKinnon unassisted was the only scoring play for the Hiltz team.

Former Milton Charles hockey star Bob Sales scored four times and drew two assists as McTrach trounced Fox 13-3. Gord Greer's hat trick and doubletons from Dany Pegg and Jack Duimstra added to the winners' total. Ross McLeod and Bill McTrach each scored singles. Jack Duimstra led the assist parade with four, and McLeod, Greer and McTrach added singles. Gordie Marshall's two markers and a single from Larry Coulson accounted for the only Fox tallies. Don Brunette and Bruce Frame each drew an assist for the losers.

GAME AND FISH NEWS

By Arn Coulson

Deer Season! These are two magic words to the outdoorsman. No other season of the year stirs the blood of so many male Canadians young and old, unless it is the opening of the trout season after a long hard winter.

Lets go along for a trip with a group of hunters after weeks of talking and preparing. Conditions are just right, the weather is perfect and the season is nearly open. Saturday dawns bright and clear as we all head for the north and our favorite hunting grounds. Trucks, jeeps and automobiles all swing off the main roads into camps, some pulling trailers and roofs piled high with gear. Spirits are very high at this point and at last the camp is reached. There is still a full day and a half before opening day on Monday.

Prepare for Hunt

Some men are marking fresh trails, some checking old ones and another gang has started to get in a supply of wood as nights are cold up here. As one camp comes over the hill to greet old friends from last year, good cheer is passed back and forth in more ways than one. Good resolutions are forgotten for this one night to remember (and a hard one to get over). Getting to sleep is a work of art.

Long before daylight the camp comes to life as tired men crawl out of warm sleeping bags to a cold cottage or camp. Lots of lip and abuse in the form of language is passed back and forth before breakfast is over and everyone is dressed for the hunt.

Taking abuse from the cook, looking for lost socks and cursing the person whose foot was nearly in your mouth all night, is all part of the game.

At last Monday arrives. The boys are anxious to be out in the bush and the dogs have been ready for days. But morning is fine and already it is light enough to see. A dog gives tongue in the distance and a funny feeling goes up and down your spine. All of a sudden a shot, another one, all of a sudden you

feel weak and sit down for a minute. "What in the heck is happening," you think. But then you recall that the same thing happened last year. This is the hunt.

Excuses Begin

At noon back at camp the excuses begin. A man missed a doe about a hundred yards away (his bullet hit a twig). A man takes a shot at a deer just a hundred yards away and running, he figures he has missed. Luckily he checks the next day and most of the meat was saved. Back to camp by four in the afternoon for a never-to-be-forgotten meal and more talk of the day's hunt.

Dave and Brock Wendover are hunting with Howard and Bruce Coulson just north of Huntsville, Russ Coulson and Don McLaren of Campbellville are hunting with a gang from Toronto at their camp in the Parry Sound District.

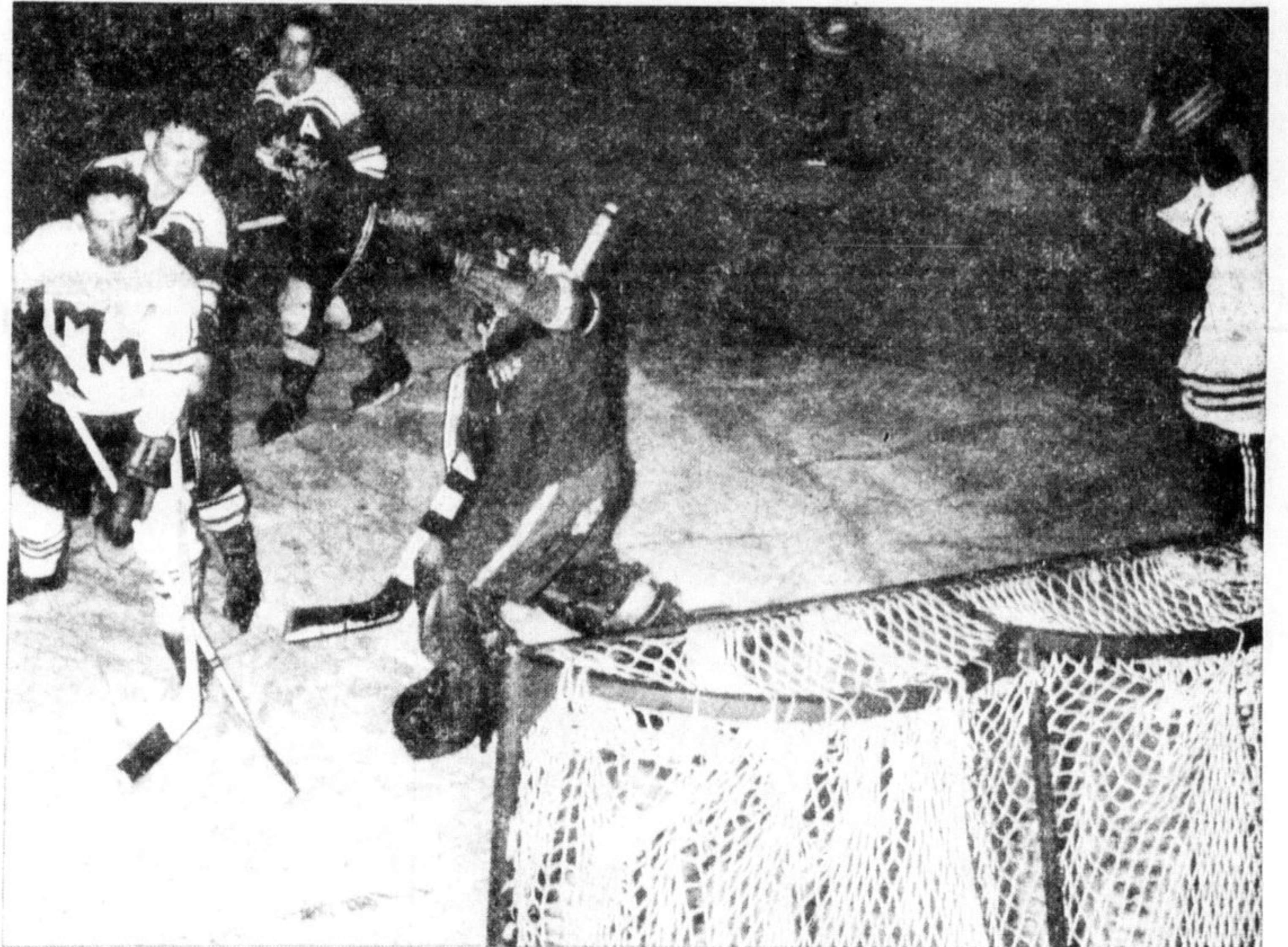
George and Barney Breckon of the Bronte Club are hunting at their camp in the Dorset area. Milt Gowling and friends from Milton are hunting in the Haliburton Highlands. Bill Bailey and his dad from Hornby are also up north deer hunting.

Entertain Wives

On Saturday night the 24th of October the Halton Sportsmen entertained their wives with a dance and social evening at the club house, now gaily lighted up with hvyro for the coming winter. Membership is still full and a good number of men are still on the waiting list.

Pheasant and Partridge hunting in Halton County has been spotty so far with a week of the hunt over. Pheasant season closes on the 17th of November. Best Pheasant reports so far have come from areas just north of Highway 5 in the old Nelson Township. Partridge hunting is an art in itself at this time of the year as the bush is very noisy and it makes it next to impossible to get near the elusive birds.

Gil Paust, noted authority on shooting says — "when a big Pheasant gets up at your feet, (Continued on Page B5)



HIGH STEPPING FORWARD Craig Brush broke loose for four goals in the opening game romp over Preston and here the Midget aged youngster is shown as he polishes off his second scoring effort. An unidentified Merchant is shown in the right hand corner of the photo, signaling the goal.



JUNIOR CLUB PRESIDENT Jim Smith, pretty Miss Milton Chamber of Commerce Gail Thomas and Milton Mayor S. G. Childs are shown as they study a program before the start of Friday's game. The program, prepared by the Junior Club executive and secretary Murray Whistler and sponsored by the merchants and business men of the town and district, is another one of the many publicity gimmicks that the Junior club has introduced at the arena this year. Free programs will be distributed at each Merchant home game.

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