

# Haydar heads for New England

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(Merchant record) that'll stick for a while," he predicted.

Breaking records hasn't been the only thing weighing on his mind this season.

Up until just recently he had been saddled with the question of where he would spend the next four years of his life — as NCAA scouts and coaches champed at the bit for his services.

That decision was reached last Monday when he verbally committed to the University of New Hampshire. He'll put his rubber stamp on the full-scholarship deal April 18, the date for late-season signing.

Michigan State was the other top contender while schools like Michigan Tech, Brown and Bowling Green had also expressed serious interest.

In an effort to make a more informed family decision, the Haydars sought advice from a number of sources including a player-agent and fellow Merchant parent Don Bannan, a school superintendent in Metro Toronto.

"All we kept hearing was that in their area, UNH was the school of choice," said Frank. "Michigan State was offering a similar package but ultimately it came down to UNH having a better reputation academically."

Added Darren, "There are only 1,300 students in the business school, which is nice because that's what I want to pursue."

The Hockey East Conference school will be losing two of their top four scorers at the end of the season and expect their Milton acquisition to fill one of those spots.

Darren has been told he's fully capable of assuming a first or second line role in his rookie year.

The Hockey East Conference is known for fast skating, finesse hockey. It boasts such graduates as NHL great Paul Kariya.

"It was getting a little tense recently, since the holidays. It's a big relief to have my schooling situation decided and done with," said Darren.

The Merchants' star sniper will continue his scoring quest tonight at home against Mississauga Chargers.

# The OHA will rule on Razor

Razor isn't cutting in on the Merchants' blueline unit just yet.

As of yesterday afternoon a discrepancy still existed over where big Latvian defenceman Raitis Ivanans — known as Razor — will toil through the Tier 2 Jr. A playoffs.

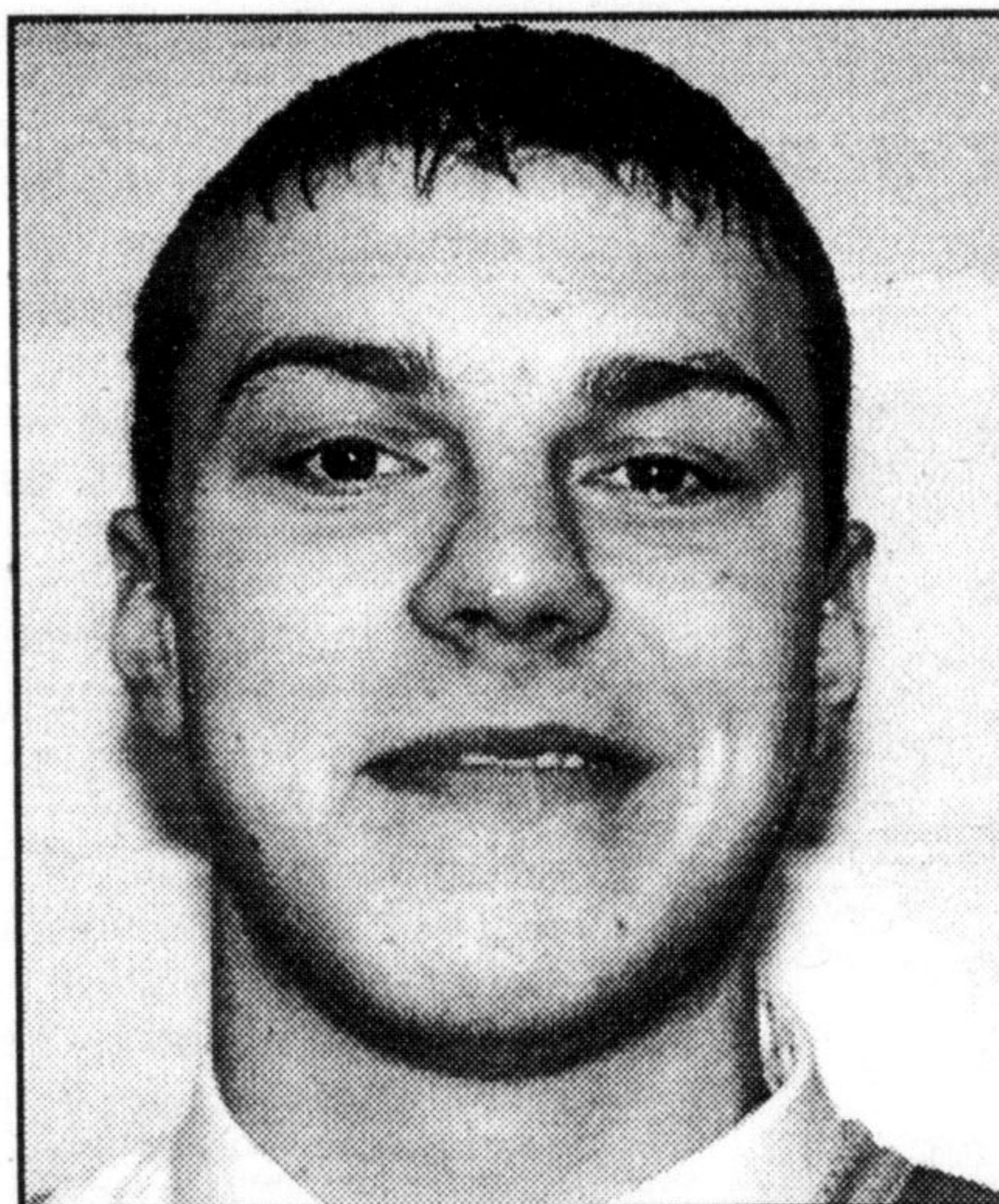
Metro's Caledon Canadiens were first to register the 6'4", 220 lbs. rearguard with their organization last Thursday, while he signed a Milton Merchant card the following day.

Ontario Hockey Association (OHA) rules permit only one European player per Jr. A team and the Canadiens had already hit their limit prior to signing Ivanans.

An OHA ruling was expected to come down last night, at which time Milton owner Brad Grant was confident the defenceman would officially be on board.

"They (Canadiens) tried to register him as a non-European. I'm confident the board will recognize the rules and see that there's no way, shape or form he (Ivanans) should go to Caledon," said Grant.

The Merchants are looking for a playoff billet for Ivanans. Anyone interested can call Brad Grant at 878-8389.



Raitis Ivanans

# Spartans back with a vengeance

E.C. Drury wrestlers sure know how to make an exciting return.

After a three-year absence, the Spartans made their way back to the Riverdale Invitational Tournament in Montreal.

Although restricted to six wrestlers due to exams, they still managed to out-point 18 other schools to grab the team title.

Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and New York State were all represented at the 30th annual showcase last weekend.

Kevin Heffron and Chad Merritt each won their fifth gold medal of the season with 3-0 records.

Heffron edged fellow Drury grappler Adam Scott

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