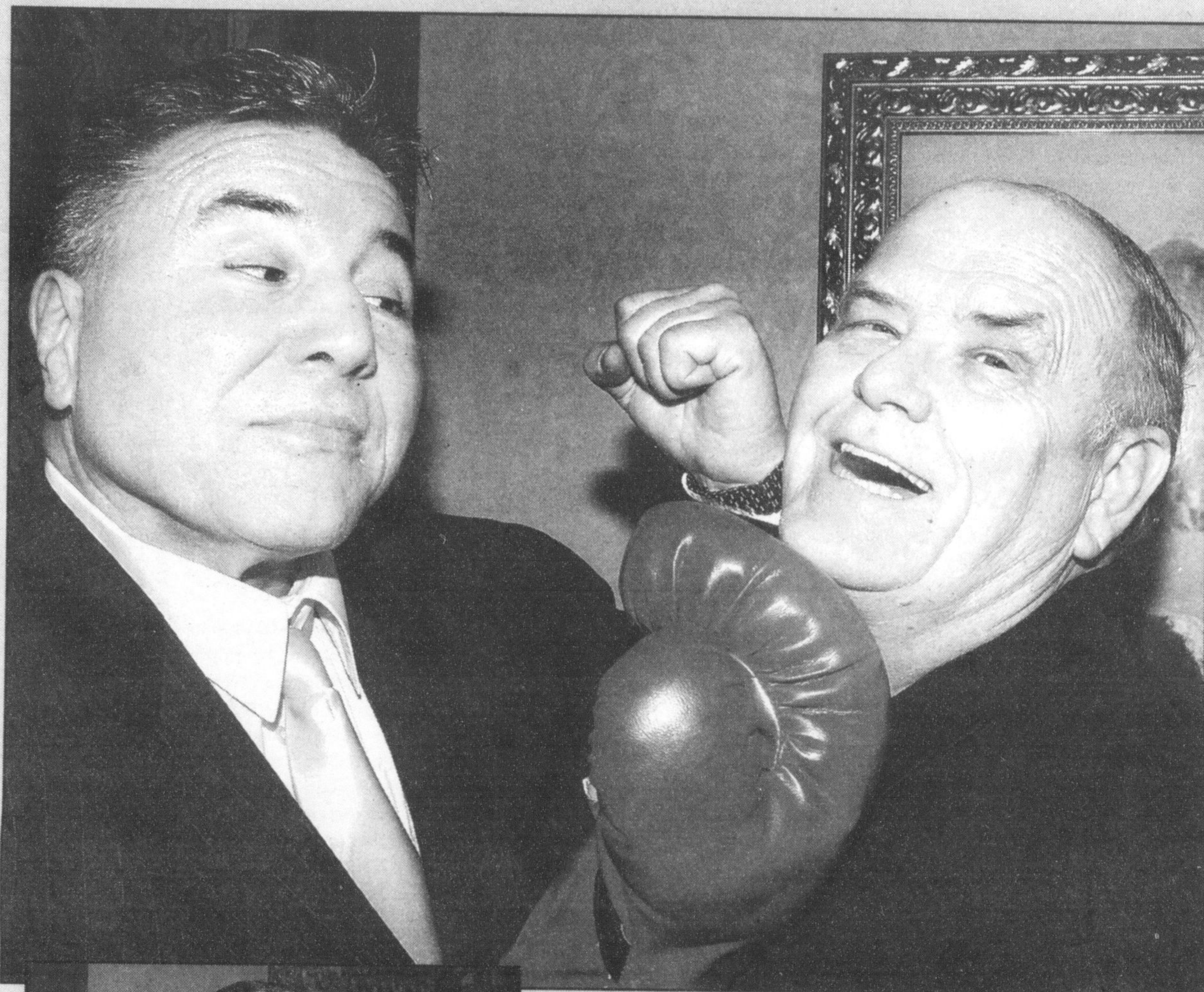


Sports

slablanc@haltontsearch.com



'Hawks edge Blades in OT

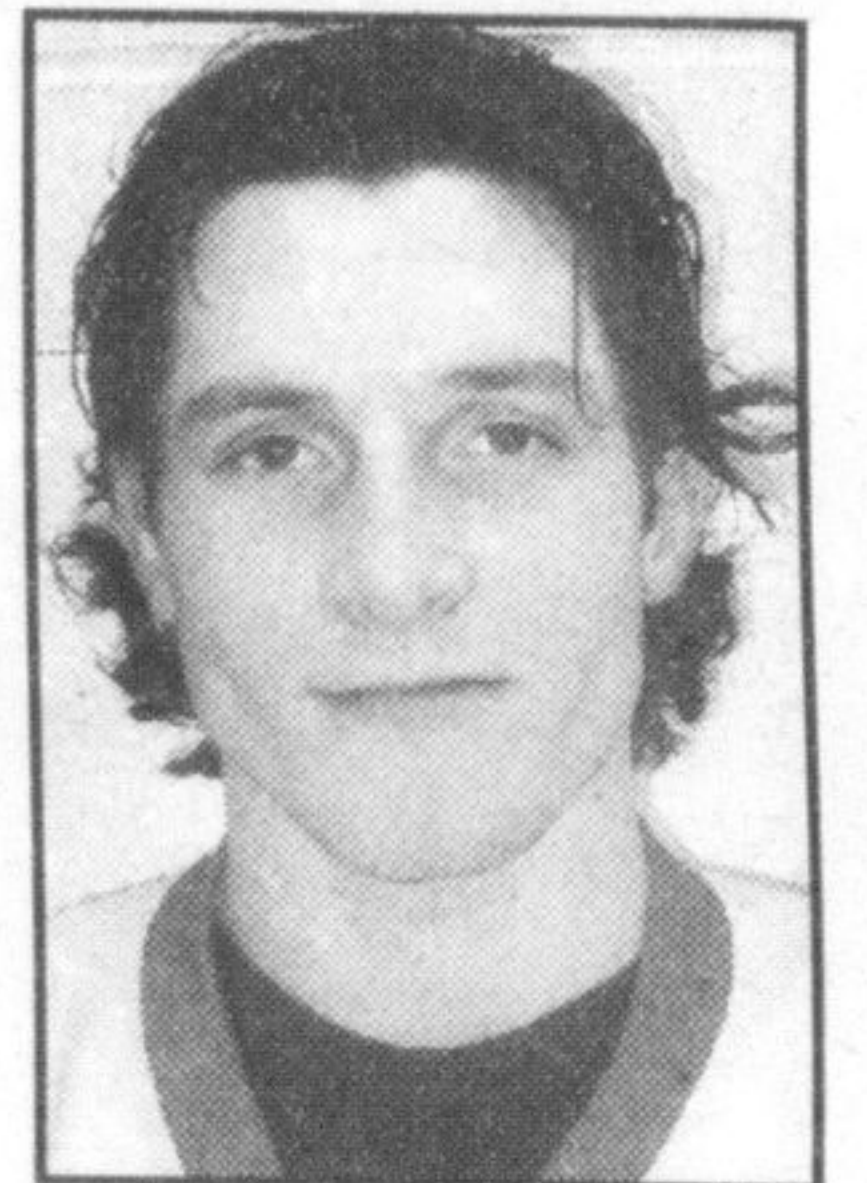
Late goals keep Milton unbeaten at Memorial

By **HERB GARBUTT**
The Champion

Watching Luke Dubbin and newcomer Alex Eaton perfectly execute a two-on-one into the overtime winning goal at Memorial Arena Tuesday night, you would swear they had done this before.

It's the kind of play that a coach runs his players through at every practice. So the fact that the two Milton IceHawks spent two years as linemates on the Ontario Hockey League's Sudbury Wolves meant they had probably practised that exact play hundreds of times.

And while the goal may have looked effortless, Tuesday's 3-2 comeback victory over the Oakville Blades was anything but — as Milton needed Jason Bergeron's goal with 21 seconds to play in regulation to force overtime. Then just 1:13 into the extra period, the former Wolves doused the biggest threat to Milton's team-record 22-game unbeaten streak.



Alex Eaton
pots OT winner

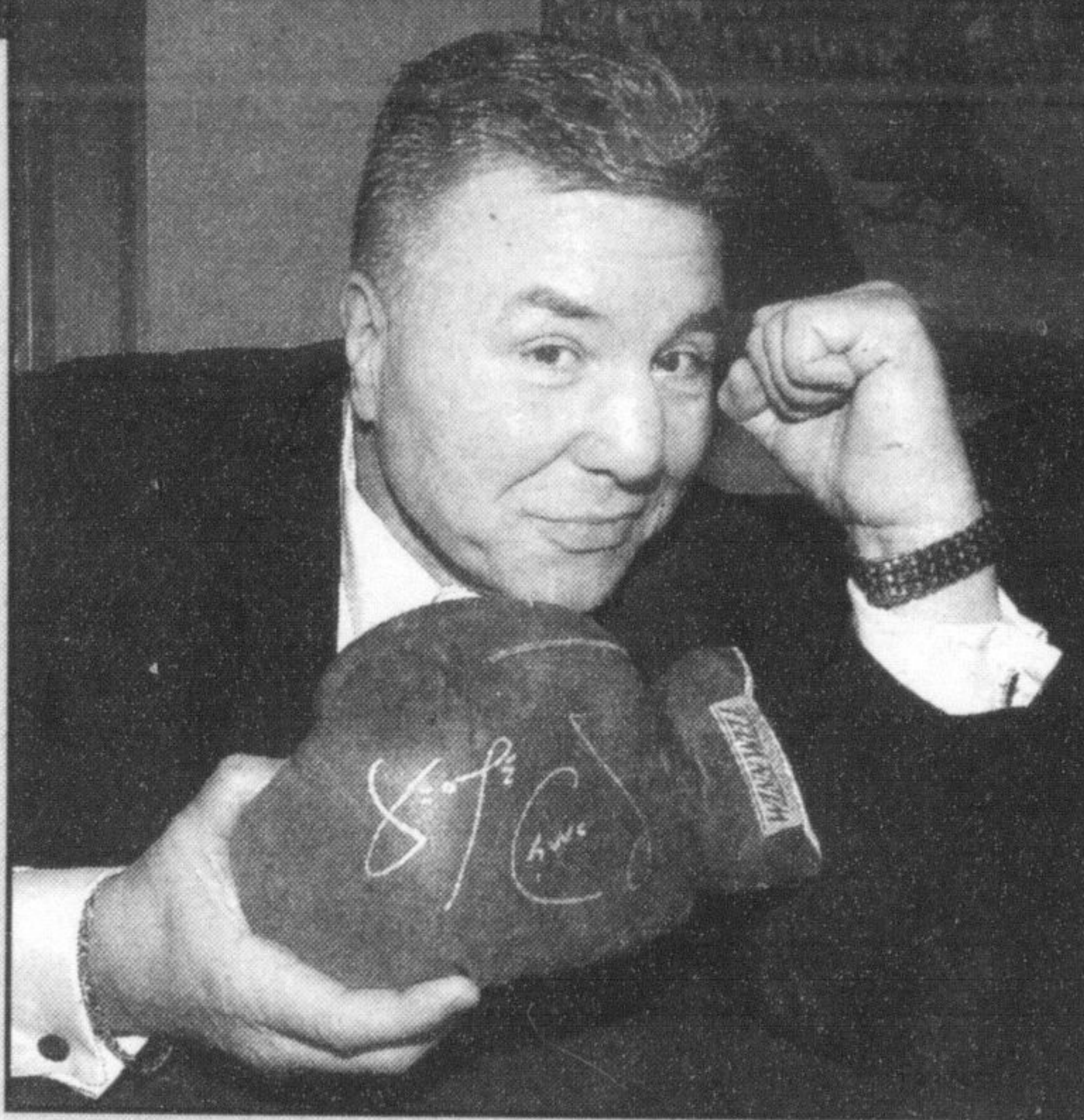
"Dubbin broke away from the guy, it was a beautiful pass across," Eaton said. "It was definitely nice to put that one in."

While a player returning to Tier 2 Jr. A hockey from the OHL brings experience and skill, success is no guarantee. Chemistry often plays a role in whether a player succeeds in his new surroundings and reuniting the former linemates has obviously worked well. Eaton has produced three goals and eight points in four games since joining the IceHawks and Dubbin has four goals and eight points over the same span. Teamed with Dan Falbo, the line produced two of Milton's three goals on Tuesday.

"He's a pretty big pickup for us," said Milton interim head coach Joe Washkurak. "We felt we get pushed around a little bit and we needed to get some size. He's a tough kid and if anyone wants to take him on they're going to be in for a fight."

Milton almost had Eaton, who racked up 459 penalty minutes in 144 OHL games, in the lineup earlier this year. Sudbury put the six-foot-three winger on waivers and Milton gave him a call. However, the Barrie Colts claimed him. Despite scoring twice in eight games for the Colts, they too left him unprotected.

• see **UNBEATEN** on page A26



He's a knockout — with the fans

Canadian heavyweight boxing great George Chuvalo has a little fun with fan Alan Colver Tuesday evening during the autograph session of the fourth annual Milton Chamber of Commerce Sports Celebrity Dinner and Auction at Glencairn Golf Club. At left, the well-known pugilist and 1998 Order of Canada recipient poses for a photo after signing a vintage glove. See Tuesday's Champion for a story on fellow celebrity dinner guest and Miltonian Mike O'Shea.

Photos by **GRAHAM PAINE**

MOHAWK INN
Est. 1967

VALENTINE'S
YUK YUK'S

Saturday February 11, 2006

COMEDY, DINNER THEATRE

EAST MEETS WEST
GRAND BUFFET DINNER
YOUR COUNTRY FAVOURITES
+ AUTHENTIC CHINESE FOOD

\$39.95
tax incl

MOHAWK INN
Est. 1967

9230 Guelph Line,
Campbellville
(905) 854-2277

In A
Beautiful Country
Setting

Weekly rates available.
Only \$59.00 per night

Book Your Sunday Brunch With Us! \$14.95

A 10+ YEAR TRADITION!

INTERNATIONAL STAND-UP COMEDY YUK YUK'S

FIRESIDE LOUNGE
The Dining Room

EMAIL: info@mohawkinn.com
WEBSITE: www.mohawkinn.com

Duster's Maid in Milton

For a Healthy Mind & Body,
you need a

We Clean Healthy House...

Sweep away the competition!

- Professional reliable cleaning
- Competitive pricing
- Discounts for regular clientele
- Move in and move out cleaning

If you find it hard to keep on top of everything, or would just like someone to do your cleaning, we can help!

Please call or email us today for your free quote.

Barb **905-693-0455**

Kristy **905-875-2462**

DusterMaid@msn.com