

# SPORTS

## NEWS and VIEWS

### Clippers Prepare For Barnstorm Trip to U.S.

Stouffville Clippers are preparing to make a barnstorming weekend trip to the States where they will play a pair of games with Clinton, N.Y., on March 18th and 19th.

Negotiations are also underway for a game at Smith's Falls enroute. If this does not materialize, the team will make the crossing at Buffalo. Clinton is near Utica, N.Y. and sports a high-powered semi-pro club.

The club will travel by private car, and quite a number of local hockey enthusiasts are understood to be planning to go along for the outing.

### Orillia Prolongs Series Edging Clippers 5-4

(By Jim Thomas)

In one of the hardest fought battles of the series Orillia Bombers eked out a slim 5-4 decision over the Clippers here on Monday night. The game was fast from the start with the Bombers realizing that a loss or even a tie meant elimination for them and victory for the homesters. After being down two goals in the first and second periods the Clippers roared back with two markers in the final frame to set the visitors back on their heels. At 18:20 Varty banged in the winner from Laugheed to extend the series to the limit. Clarke played a standout game in the nets for the northern boys holding back many determined Clipper rushes.

It was a poor show for several of Stouffville's stalwarts, and they knew it. The defence wobbled woefully at times, while the forwards passing was erratic and their shooting wild.

The game went true to form in that Orillia took an early lead, and the locals struggled uphill all the way in their efforts to get even.

In the first period the Bombers jumped into the lead on a low blue line shot that Harper fanned on. At 9:40 however Les Clarke put the homesters' back on even terms with a long bullet drive from the blue line. At 12:00 while Baker was clearing the puck from his own zone Varty snared it to be left alone in front of the unprotected Harper and made no mistake with a hard shot to the corner. D. Bowen put Orillia two up from Richardson, and Scott and ended the period leading 3-1.

At 4:55 of the second period Payne made it 4-1 from Jennett but Bradbury kept the homesters hopes alive with a marker from Baker three minutes later.

There was plenty of high-sticking allowed by referees Vale and Belumer, and fist-swinging threatened to break out on numerous occasions.

The third and final period had everything from a strong Clipper rally to a wild after-the-game free-for-all. Couch netted the third Stouffville goal from Lewis and Minton and Bradbury sank the

## Stouffville and Orillia to Play Extra Two Game Playoff Series

The semi-final OHA Senior hockey series, best of five games, between Stouffville and Orillia has been declared over by the OHA., and a new series consisting of two games, goals to count will be played in order to declare a winner.

The first game of this two game round will be in Orillia this Wednesday night, with the return game back here in Stouffville this Friday night. The winner must meet Markham in Oshawa on Saturday night in the first game of the finals for the group title.

There will be no overtime played in Wednesday's game in case of a tie, but if the teams are deadlocked in goals at the end of regulation time on Friday night, the game must continue to a finish.

SMASHED IN FACE



Bobby Hopper, hard-working wingman with the Clippers, whose nose was broken in a fist exchange with Ab Bowan of Orillia, in the game there Saturday night.

### Millionaires Take Semi-Final Round In Three Straight

(By Jim Thomas)

Markham Millionaires advanced to the playoffs on Saturday night as they handed the Toronto Meteors a 6-1 defeat. The boys started things in a hot way as the Meteor pucksters paired off in a sight that would make Joe Louis smile. Coach Kewley who has had a big share in the Meteors rough tactics all season locked horns with Goalie Carr on the players bench. At once all joined in to aid their fellow battlers in a wild slugging bee. After the first period however both teams settled down to hockey and put on a clean exhibition.

In the final minutes Goalie Buffey was drawn from the Meteor net with Markham leading 5-4.

This play however backfired as Watson fired the clincker into the empty cage at 19:57. Watson also picked up two more for the hat trick. Sluce picked up a couple of points as did Jewitt on the same line.

The Markham crew are now idle awaiting the winner of the Clipper-Bomber series.

Frankie Carr, Markham Millionaire goalie, has the cast off his leg, following his accident, and is expected to be ready for the Senior hockey group finals with either Stouffville or Orillia.

Here's a new wrinkle to finance the baseball club. Oshawa Baseball Club this season are selling season tickets for the league games at \$6 a throw, and entitled each holder to vote at all club meetings. But here's the big inducement to buy. At the opening game one of the 500 season tickets to be sold will entitle the holder to a new Chev. car.

The "Bad Boys" of the local hockey loop, the homeless Toronto Meteors, finished up the schedule with Midland in a blaze of unsavory glory according to the Free Press writer, we quote: "Meteors were downright ornery, and Mr. Spragge, who appeared to resent it every time a Flyer took the puck from him, or even skated within hailing distance, stirred up most of the trouble aided by Sherban, Herb Kewley and Robertson. There were eighteen penalties in all, and Midland came out of the encounter minus two players with sprained backs."

Doug. Moore, former Stouffville Junior goalie, who has made the rounds this winter, is right in the thick of the Junior 'A' playoffs in the Northern Ontario League right now, playing for North Bay. Doug. tried out with the local Clippers earlier in the year, but because of his youth, Coach Fyfe advised the lad to grab a chance he had with Junior 'A' company.

Harry Milroy, a standout performer for Markham for some years, has been released by the Millionaires. The speedy Harry did not line up with the club at the beginning of the season, although he did get into some games later on. Milroy hoped to join up with his old sidekick Chuck Nesbitt who has been playing for Bradford in Intermediate 'B'.

According to the Lindsay Post, that town has had enough of outside hockey teams in their efforts to satisfy local fan interest. Toronto Meteors who are backed by MacIntosh Motors of Lindsay didn't even last out this season but had to pull out because of lack of support at the box office. According to the Post, Lindsay will try to organize a Senior 'B' club of their own to compete with Peterborough. Several Lindsay players are now playing with Peterborough, and these will be encouraged to play their hockey at home. There is no reason why a town the size of Lindsay cannot compete in Senior Hockey, the Post concludes.

The Brampton-Aurora hockey feud was dissolved Wednesday with a gesture of goodwill. Aurora residents were pretty sore at Brampton after Saturday night. They came out of the local arena to find parking tickets on their cars. They couldn't help thinking it was because their Black Hawks had just eliminated Brampton 6-1 in an Ontario Hockey Association Junior 'C' group final. Mayor Harold Lawrence of Brampton patched neighborly relations. All tickets will be withdrawn and refunds will even be given. The Aurora motorists who travelled the 35 miles back to Brampton to pay their fines, he said.

That question concerning the proposed metropolitan area for O.H.A. hockey which would include both Markham and Stouffville, still smoulders, and after talking to hockey-thinkers in both towns one is little farther ahead. From a Senior hockey standpoint, the metropolitan area would be a benefit, as it would eliminate the troublesome import problem over city players. On the other hand, if in future years, either Stouffville or Markham should turn to the Junior ranks, they would have to ice a team no lower than Junior 'B' calibre, and thus there are some who believe these centres are sticking their necks out to push for the area. In reply to this contention, Senior hockey proponents point out that their brand of the sport is necessary to make an arena pay, and if it didn't pay, it couldn't exist. No arena, no hockey of any kind, for either the local lads or outsiders. A Markham spokesman comes up with the suggestion too, that if the metropolitan move does carry, it will reach down into the Minor hockey ranks, and demand that Stouffville and Markham ice minor teams of "A" rank. Your reporter does not think this likely. There is something to be said for both schools of thought on the question, but it is likely that the present-day hockey which is Senior, will hold the upper hand, and the metropolitan area will come into force. Those who wish to hold up the move because of Junior possibilities in future years will be left to take their chances.

### Fourth Senior Hockey Playoff Game Ends In Overtime Deadlock

The fourth semi-final OHA Senior hockey playoff game twix Stouffville and Orillia, ended in a 2-all overtime thriller on Saturday night. The Clippers spotted Orillia a two-goal lead and came roaring back to tie the count with ten minutes to pay in regulation time. It was nip and tuck in the ten-minute overtime period, with Orillia getting two clear break-aways, only to be outguessed by Jack Harper in the local cage. Harper and Clarke the two net-minders were both in top form all evening and pulled one sensational stop after another.

Richardson and Payne combined to give Orillia an early lead in the first period. Payne scored from Varty in the second to complete the Bombers' scoring. Four minutes later Herb Rose broke the local jinx on a pass from Bradbury. For the couple of hundred local fans who made the trip north in support of the Clippers, it looked as if this was the way matters were going to end, but the Blue-shirts kept slinging rubber in Clarke's direction, and finally with only ten minutes left in the last period, Bobby Hopper clicked to tie the count at 2-all.

Feeling ran high through the entire game, and Referee Farrell let the boys get away with considerable high-sticking which ultimately led to breakouts of first-swinging.

Ab Bowen who has come up with three majors and two match misconduct penalties in the last three games, was banished in the overtime, for landing a crushing blow on Bobby Hopper's nose as he was skating off to the penalty box.

### SENIOR O.H.A.

## HOCKEY

SEMI-FINAL PLAYOFF  
STOUFFVILLE ARENA  
FRIDAY, MARCH 10

ORILLIA BOMBERS  
VS.  
STOUFFVILLE CLIPPERS

Game time 9.00 p.m. Reserved seats on sale - 75c

This is the second game of a two-game home and home series, goals to count, first game being played in Orillia this Wednesday. This new series has been ordered since the first semi-final round ended in a tie.

FRIDAY NIGHT'S GAME MUST BE PLAYED TO A FINISH

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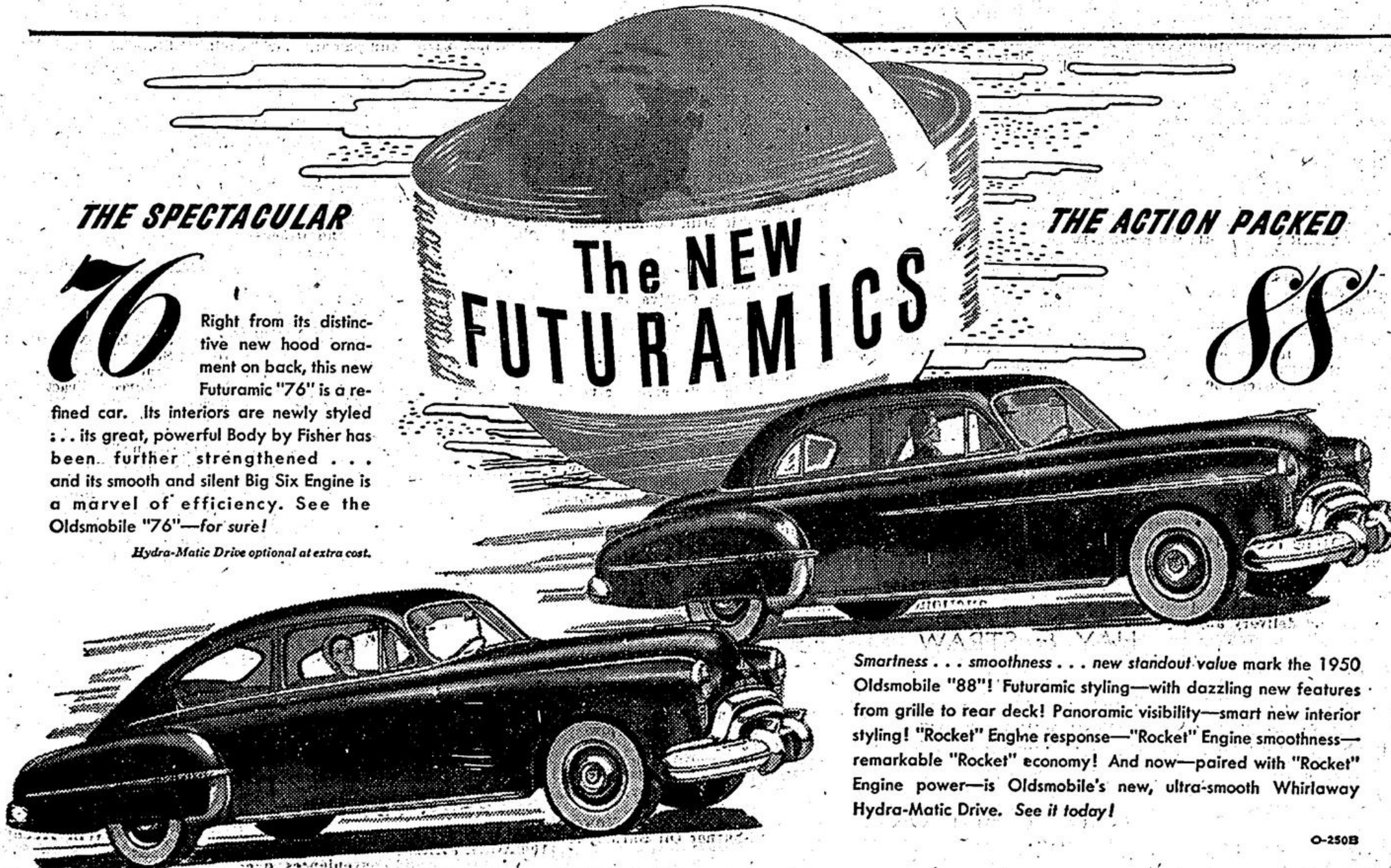
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