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Stouffville Clippers worked out on home ice Monday in preparation for a barn-storming into Ontario north country.

Toronto Royals defeated Agincourt 6-5 here on Monday night to carry home the Jack Fraser Trophy, a coveted piece of silverware by these Mercantile teams.

There were 3200 fans at the Markham-Peterborough game in Oshawa Saturday night which should give the Millionaires' pot of gold a nice boost. With Peterborough's 6-1 win Monday, the series will carry back to Oshawa this Saturday night.

Oshawa will be represented in the senior 'A' O.H.A. league next year, according to word leaking out from Toronto. Oshawa supporters asked to enter the group three years ago, but their application fell through when they couldn't get things straightened away.

Chicago Black Hawks think so highly of Bev Bentley and Marcel Pelletier of Kitchener Flying Dutchmen that either one may be goal for the Hawks next year, providing Frank Brimsek retires as it is expected he will. Bentley doesn't want to play minor league hockey and his big chance may be at hand.

If you don't think it's expensive buying hockey sticks, the Guelph Biltmores will tell you different. The 'Bills' executive is spending between \$4,000 and \$5,000 for shillelaghs this year for all minor teams in Guelph, from junior 'A' to pee-wee. Sticks for the Stouffville Clippers ran between \$400 and \$500 this year.

This coming Saturday afternoon will be the final "Free Skate" for the kiddies this winter. The Stouffville Athletic Club has done a wonderful job in providing this free time for hundreds of youngsters each Saturday afternoon for the last five months.

Lynn Williamson, son of Fred Williamson of Mt. Joy, was a member of the Kirkland Lake curling foursome which recently carried off Dominion honours out west. Lynn is a mine superintendent in Kirkland Lake. He will be recalled by hockey fans who watched him line up on defence with John Robb years ago for Markham. Remember that well-worn pair of hockey pants with "O Min" inscribed in liberal letters on the seat?

Wilbert (Dutch) Hiller, who gained fame with the New York Rangers and Montreal Canadiens, has written some interesting comment on present day hockey. Hiller gave up his job as coach of the Stratford Junior 'A' team and left his Kitchener home to take over as coach of the Los Angeles Monarchs in the Pacific Coast League two years ago, but resigned recently over an argument with Charles Cord, owner of the club, as to who should pay \$75 in fines slapped on Hiller by referees. "I think that hockey players coming up are not the players they should be due to O.H.A. rules which allow juniors to play everything but hockey," Hiller maintains. "There is too much tripping, kneeling, charging, holding and high-sticking going on, and the sooner the youngsters are forced to play hockey, the better off they'll be. Another bad feature is that they are paying kids too much money. The kids should be going to school, but instead they are developing into hockey bums. I think boys should not be able to make a hockey move unless it is to go to school or take a job which is better than the one he is working at. Only when he is over 21 should he be able to sign with the pro team of his choice."

Baseball—it won't be long. Local plans for this year's Intermediate ball club have been kept rather quiet. We hear that Bob Hassard, who was one of the big factors in last year's success, will not be seen on the local diamond this summer. Hassard is being sought for a first-base spot with Kitchener Seniors. Geo. Sayliss, local hockey player, may be available for the Stouffville nine. Bobby Hopper, another well-known member with the Clippers is playing Senior ball with Toronto Mayfairs.

OPEN SEASON FOR MUSKRAT
Legal open season for trapping muskrats commenced Monday, March 20, in the five counties of the Trent District: Durham, Northumberland, Victoria, Peterborough and Haliburton. In the four southern counties the season will close April 21. Haliburton being farther north, the season closes slightly later, namely, May 5th. Muskrats may be only taken under the authority of a trapper's license, except by farmers trapping on their own farms. It is unlawful to shoot or spear any muskrat, or to place a trap within five feet of their houses, burrow or push-up.

The recent Markham games at Oshawa arena have been broadcast over the Oshawa station CKDO.

George Stark, ex-Millionaire, has returned from the East Coast where he has been lined up with another Millionaire, Bob Bangay.

Local Fans To See Next O.H.A. Sr. Series, Now Definite

Local hockey fans are now assured of witnessing the next round in the O.H.A. Sr. 'B' playdowns since both Balmly Beach and Dixie are slated to play their home games in Stouffville. Their current playoff series which resumes in the local Arena this Wednesday night, has now been cut to a two-out-of-three affair, winner to meet either Markham or Peterborough.

Should Balmly Beach win this Wednesday night, the third and rubber game between the two will be played in Stouffville this Saturday night. Should Dixie come out on top Wednesday, the next round against either Markham or Peterborough could commence here on Monday.

Jack Harper Wins Most Valuable Player Award

Jack Harper, veteran goalkeeper with Stouffville Clippers this season, has been voted the most valuable player on the club by a vote of his team-mates. He will receive the trophy presented by the O.H.A. in recognition of his choice.

This is the second time in his career that Harper has received this award, the previous time being during his playing days with Markham Millionaires. Jack's final performance which won the admiration of all his mates, was the Clippers' win over Clinton Comets on their American trip.

Markham Pull Up Even in Peterborough Playoff Series

by Jim Thomas

Markham Millionaires bounced back onto even terms with Peterborough on Monday night, clipping the lift-lock boys 6-4 on their home ice. Markham took a 2-1 lead in the first period, but Peterborough evened matters in the second. In the third period it was Markham all the way as they scored four to the homesters two. Singleton was the big noise for the Millionaires with two goals to his credit.

The four-out-of-seven series resumes in Peterborough this Wednesday night, with the sixth game in Oshawa Saturday, and the seventh if necessary in Peterborough Monday.

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After dropping the first game to Peterborough the teams moved to Oshawa for the second meeting Thursday night and the Millionaires handed the speedy Legion crew a 4-2 set back. The game was very fast from the opening whistle and the Markham boys gave good indication that they were out to win by forcing the opposition into their own zone. It was during a Millionaire power play and with Burns of Peterborough serving a penalty that Bell blasted a bullet shot to the corner from Singleton to put the home team one up.

Four minutes later at 6:20 Bruce Forgie slipped in a low shot from J. Rumney to put his team two up and end the period.

Ross Nicholls in the Legion twine was one of the big reasons for turning back a few early minute outbursts by the Millionaires in the first period. He turned aside some terrific chances like nothing at all.

In the second frame Peterborough showed some signs of getting back in the game as Hill tallied from Fryea and Coombs. Both teams kept up the dizzy pace but Stunden in the Markham cage and Nicholls for Peterborough came up with some sensational stops to keep the score down.

Bell and Montgomery (Keith Montgomery, a former Oshawa General) took to using their sticks a little too high after that and they received cross-checking penalties to end the period.

Watson opened the scoring in the third period taking a perfect pass from Clement who carried the puck the entire length of the ice for the nicest rush of the night, hard shot from Baker to fool at 9:08. J. Rumney batted in a Nicholls' completely.

Dixie Upsets Beaches To Go One Game Up In Senior 'B' Playoffs

Coming from behind a four-goal lead, Dixie Flyers stormed to the attack in the last period on Saturday night to score five goals and win their first playoff against Balmly Beach. The second game of the two-out-of-three series will be played here this Wednesday, with the third game if necessary on Saturday.

McArthur, ex-Galt Red Wing was the star of the opening frame for the Beaches, scoring three goals, the first a thrilling solo rush end to end.

Beaches added another in the second period from the stick of Williams before Dixie started to roll. Beaches were three men short on their lineup due to injuries, and the pace began to tell.

Dixie scored their first goal midway through the mid-session, Ponzio getting the marker, and Macey made it 4-2 before the end of the period.

Cormack added another pair in the last period and Ponzio two more, Geary getting the fifth goal, and giving Dixie a commanding 7-1 lead. Tired, but determined, Beaches kept trying, and notched their fifth goal with only five minutes to go. Two minutes later they scored again, and it looked for a time as if they might tie the count. The goalie was taken out, and a six-man attack poured over the Dixie end, but the Whiteshirts held out. Al Holiday in the Dixie net was particularly steady through the barrage.

The four hundred fans present thoroughly enjoyed the close contest, and a larger turnout is expected tonight (Wednesday) for what may be the final game of the series.

The addition of floodlights to Unionville ball park is being planned for the coming summer.

Next Wednesday night will be that much-looked-forward-to Stouffville Lions Skating Carnival.

Howard Forgie donned skates and joined the Millionaires for their first game and showed up well after such a long absence from the game. He has been kept on the sidelines since however to give his leg more time to heal.

Lemonville-Bethesda Hockey Team - Bush League C champions



Shown is the winning Lemonville-Bethesda Hockey team of the Stouffville Youth for Christ League 1950. Back row left to right—Paul Bolender, Noel Story, Floyd Forsyth, Grant Wells goalie, Allan Wells, Earl Cook Ken Betz. Front row, left to right, Glen Taun, Murray Allan, Mait Beurrels, Mervin Gilroy. Dickson Hill team followed in second place. The remaining teams were Vivian and Sixth Line.

FIRE RAZES ICE ARENA AT GRIMSBY

Flames which shot 100 feet in the air early Saturday destroyed the 29-year-old Grimsby arena.

Damage was estimated at \$75,000. But J. E. Marsh, manager of Niagara Packers which owned the rink, said it would cost nearly \$150,000 to replace it.

The old wooden rink, once used by Montreal Canadians of the National Hockey League for their pre-season training, was used by nearly all hockey teams in the Grimsby arena and just a few hours before the blaze was the scene of a local skating carnival.

An estimate of damage was not immediately available. The fire, discovered shortly after 1 a.m., was brought under control in a little over an hour. Grimsby is about 15 miles east of Hamilton.

TO STAY IN ENGLAND



World's woman skating champion, Aja Vranova will stay in England as exile. "I have been dreaming of this freedom for two years," said the daughter of Czechoslovakian Communist government official. She is successor to Barbara Ann Scott's title.

side and fired, the shot catching a corner of the net. That made it 3-2, sent about 500 Liftlock City fans into a bedlam of joy—and despite the urgings of their rooters, the desperate Millionaires didn't have enough time left to get this one back.

The rival defense departments played standout games in Saturday night's hard-fought struggle, with the back-checking of rival wingers being also a contributing factor in the small score. Both goalies turned in stellar performances too.

See "Elsie the Cow" this week at Stouffville Carload Groceria.

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