



BY JIM THOMAS

CROSS-COUNTRY RACE

The Richmond Hill High School is sponsoring a cross-country race for the junior and senior students. This "Harrier" as it is called extends 1 1/2 miles for the Juniors and 2 1/2 miles for the Senior stalwarts. The winner in each class is presented with a trophy as a symbol of his prowess. If such a race could be organized here it would no doubt provide much enjoyment as well as good exercise. A set course would have to be laid out and students would have to stick strictly to the rules. It may be of some interest to note that in such races, the school's may be of some interest to note that in such races, the school's

BILL MULHOLLAND, A COACH, PLAYER AND OFFICIAL

On Friday night, Bill Mulholland journeyed over 130 miles from his home town of Warkworth near Hastings, Ont., to attend the Lions Club Young Canada Night in the Stouffville Arena. Bill has always been actively interested in sports and while living in this district he played with hockey teams in both Stouffville and Newmarket as well as lending a hand at coaching local minor hockey teams. Just previous to moving to Warkworth, Bill took on the position of hockey referee and this winter he has been kept busy by the OMHA. His latest success was the handling of the Juvenile "A" finals between Kingston and St. Catharines played in the Kingston arena. He also coached a Juvenile team at Hastings and played in the Trent Valley Hockey League. In his spare time he was engaged at farming. When Bill embarked for the eastern districts Mr. Jim Austin, OMHA Executive member also informed Messrs. Doug Patterson and Albert Watkins also members of the minor hockey executive in Peterboro and Stirling that Bill would be available for refereeing duties in that district. Since that time he has been actively engaged in hockey promotion.

TO BE AN ANNUAL EVENT

Since Stouffville's first "Young Canada" night was such a success it is hoped that it will become an annual event in the hockey life of this district. The program was arranged mainly through the work of the Stouffville Lions Sports Committee Chairman Ted Edwards with the co-operation of the Arena Manager, Telf. Rennie. The young hockey players themselves played an active part in promoting the successful evening by selling over 600 admission tickets to their parents and friends. From friendly comments in the arena and on the streets it would appear that even the parents themselves were surprised that their Johnny, Jimmy or Billy had acquired so much ability in such a short time. The ability to play hockey is only one thing acquired in a well-organized pee-wee league. The friendly rivalry which prevails between the players teaches the boys good sportsmanship, something that will benefit them for the remainder of their lives. It teaches the boys to appreciate the time and money spent by the Lions Club on them in providing free ice and sweaters for over twenty weeks of the year. The health giving attributes of the sport cannot be measured in dollars and cents. As the "Night's" activities drew to a close on Friday, two boys were overheard to say "Without hockey on Saturdays what will we ever do for the next six months?"

Oshawa One Up In Battle for Senior Title

Rhodes Brilliant in Goal Despite Loss to Oshawa

Netminder Jack "Dusty" Rhodes came up with most brilliant goaltending display of the season on Monday night despite the Truckmen's 3-1 victory over the Clippers. His sensational work between the pipes in the Stouffville cage was roundly applauded by the more than one thousand fans. He withered an all-out attack by the Motor City crew for fifty minutes before Harry Sinden found an opening and put both clubs on even terms. Gordie Haddleton had previously given the Clippers a 1-0 lead at the fifteen minute mark of the first period with assists going to Bangay and Stephenson.

When it appeared that the teams would be extended into overtime defenceman Bill Melville fell on a loose puck in front of the Stouffville net and was penalized. With thirty seconds left in regulation time Geo. Samolenko fired the winner and with two seconds remaining Jack Thaler salted the game away to give Oshawa the lead in the series two games to one. The two teams go back to Kingston for the fourth contest on Wednesday night of this week.

STOUFFVILLE 2, OSHAWA 7

Oshawa Truckmen squared their series with the Clippers on Saturday night as they whipped the Stouffville squad 7-2 in the Kingston Arena. The homesters appeared lost on the huge ice surface and following the long 170 mile jaunt some of the players were weary before the contest started. The Truckman looked like a different team and held an edge throughout the sixty minutes of play. Les Colvin replaced sub netminder Ken Courtney in the Oshawa cage and although not overworked he turned in a steady performance. Jack Rhodes guarded the Stouffville twine.

At 2:17 of the first period Hal Gibson grabbed a loose puck at centre ice and raced over the Oshawa blueline with Peters the lone defenceman to beat. About fifteen feet from the net he flipped the puck to linemate Gordie Haddleton who made no mistake with a low drive. The Motor City crew tied the count two minutes later as centre Jerry Scott fired a scree shot through a maze of sticks and skates that Rhodes had no chance to stop. Sinden and Samolenko were given credit for assists on the play.

In the second period, defenceman Joe Scattolon was given a costly charging penalty and while sitting out his two minutes in the sin bin, the Truckmen struck for two quick tallies. Etcher notched the first of his hat trick performance at 1:45 and Samolenko put the Oshawa crew two up from Scott and Peters. Both clubs staged a goalless battle until the midway mark in the period when Etcher fired his second goal unassisted. Stouffville defenceman Bert Baker cut the Truckmen's lead down as he pushed a shot past Colvin with Gordie Haddleton picking up an assist. With three minutes remaining in the second frame Jedd Wilson combined with Geo Samolenko for the fifth Oshawa tally as the Stouffville defence seemed to find it difficult to clear the puck out of their own zone.

The Truckmen added two additional goals in the final frame. Etcher scored on a backhand drive at 13:14 and Scott completed the total with Stark in the penalty box. The Clippers' forechecking ability, which up until Saturday night had been their best defensive weapon, was badly hampered in the second game due to the large ice surface. Unnecessary penalties provided the Truckmen with a decided edge and they were quick to take advantage of the extra man.

Gordie Haddleton, Elwood Small and Hal Gibson were best for Stouffville. Fred Etcher, Geo. Samolenko and Ernie Dickens were the Truckmen's top performers.

STOUFFVILLE 6, OSHAWA 2

Stouffville Clippers scored a surprising 6-2 victory over Oshawa Truckmen in the opening game of a best four out of seven series played in the local forum on Wednesday night of last week. The winners continued to perform in the same manner that allowed them to defeat Lyndhurst Motors in three straight contests. They forechecked the Oshawa crew into the ice and on a number of occasions when the opposition managed to break through the Stouffville defences goaltender Jack Rhodes

NHL CHAMPS JUBILANT AFTER WINNING TROPHY



Pictured above are the Detroit Red Wings, winners of the Stouffville Lions PeeWee Hockey Championship. Top Row, left to right—Ken Dean, Ron McCullough, Sandy Smith, Don Haynes, Howard Malcolm, Larry Malloy, Gordie Tarr. Centre Row—Paul Evans, Allan Machesney, Bill Hoover, Bob Lehman, Norman Galbraith. Bottom Row—Jack Redshaw, David Smith, Harry Skelcher, Bryce Spencer and Larry McMullen.

came up with some dazzling saves. The Clippers led 1-0 at the end of the first, 4-2 at the end of the second and added two in the third. Geo. Stark and Gordie Haddleton were two goal marksmen for the Clippers with Chick Webster and Bill Melville notching singles. Fred Etcher and Geo. Samolenko fired the tallies for the visitors.

The Stouffville squad missed on numerous close-in chances around the Oshawa cage early in the first period and when Don McBeth of the Truckmen was thumbed for interference, the Clippers renewed their offensive while playing with a man advantage. Their over-anxious scoring attempts were almost fatal, however, as ex-pro Ernie Dickens picked up a loose puck at his own blueline and split the Stouffville defence only to be blocked in sensational fashion by Rhodes.

At 13:33 Gordie Haddleton fired a twenty-footer as he cut in from the blueline and although Courtney in the Oshawa cage appeared to have his glove on the disk the elusive puck slipped through into the top corner of the net. Hal Gibson was given credit for an assist on the play.

Stouffville went two up at 1:27 of the second frame as right winger Geo. Stark backhanded Chick Webster's rebound into the open net before Courtney had time to cover. In the ensuing five minutes the Motor City crew threw everything at netminder "Dusty" Rhodes but he bounced back and forth from post to post like a rubber ball to bat aside eight shots in a row. While the homesters were fighting desperately to hold the visitors off the score sheet the "punch" line of Nick Bangay, Chick Webster and Geo. Stark broke free with the latter beating Courtney cleanly with a high drive to the top corner. Six minutes later Webster made it 4-0 from Bangay and Stark before the Truckmen finally found the range. Fred Etcher scored from Thaler at 15:58 and Geo. Samolenko blinked the light from Scott and Dickens for the final Oshawa tally of the night.

Stouffville sewed the contest up in the last period with two unanswered goals. Haddleton deflected a slap shot by defenceman Don McIntosh into the twine and Bill Melville concluded the night's scoring activity with a Texas Leaguer that bounded off a skate into the net. There were but three penalties handed out in the entire game, two to Oshawa and one to Stouffville.

Red Wings Capture Championship

(Continued from front page) cage were ably handled by Ranger netminder Bruce Smith. Bud Thomas guarded the Bruin cage.

In the other game the Montreal Canadiens and Toronto Maple Leafs battled to a 3-3 draw in a nip and tuck battle. Don Jackson opened the scoring early in the contest but Harold Harper, the Canadiens' battling third line centreman recd the full length of the ice to tie up the game with a perfect goal. Defenceman Don Tran put the Montrealers in the lead for the first time in the contest but once again Jackson scored to even the count. With but five minutes to go in the game Steve Wideman worked n close and drilled a hard shot by Holden in the Canadiens' cage for what appeared to be the winner but Don Tran pulled the contest out of the fire as he flipped the puck into the open corner from a difficult angle. Bill Sanders, Lynn McMullen, Harold Harper and Mike Epworth were the Montreal stars. Norm Hendricks, Doug Grensted, Don Jackson and Herb Dawson were best for the Leafs.

MARKHAM-HALIBURTON SERIES ALL EVEN

Down two games to nothing in a best of five series with the Haliburton Huskies, the Markham Eagles have staged a sensational comeback and are now strong favorites to knock the Northern squad out of the rural semi-finals and meet Milton for the Senior Championship. Last week the Eagles completely snowed under the Huskies 6-1 in the Lindsay Arena and 6-3 at Unionville to even the series at two games apiece. The fifth and final encounter will be played at Lindsay on Thursday night of this week.

Managers John Lunau and Eugene Thompson completely re-shuffled the forward lines when the Markhamites dropped the first two contests to Haliburton. The switch apparently has put new life into the Eagles' offensive.

In the last contest Bun Sellers paced the Markham attack with two goals. Lyle Petch, Frank Hill, Angus McArthur and Howard Forgie notched singles.

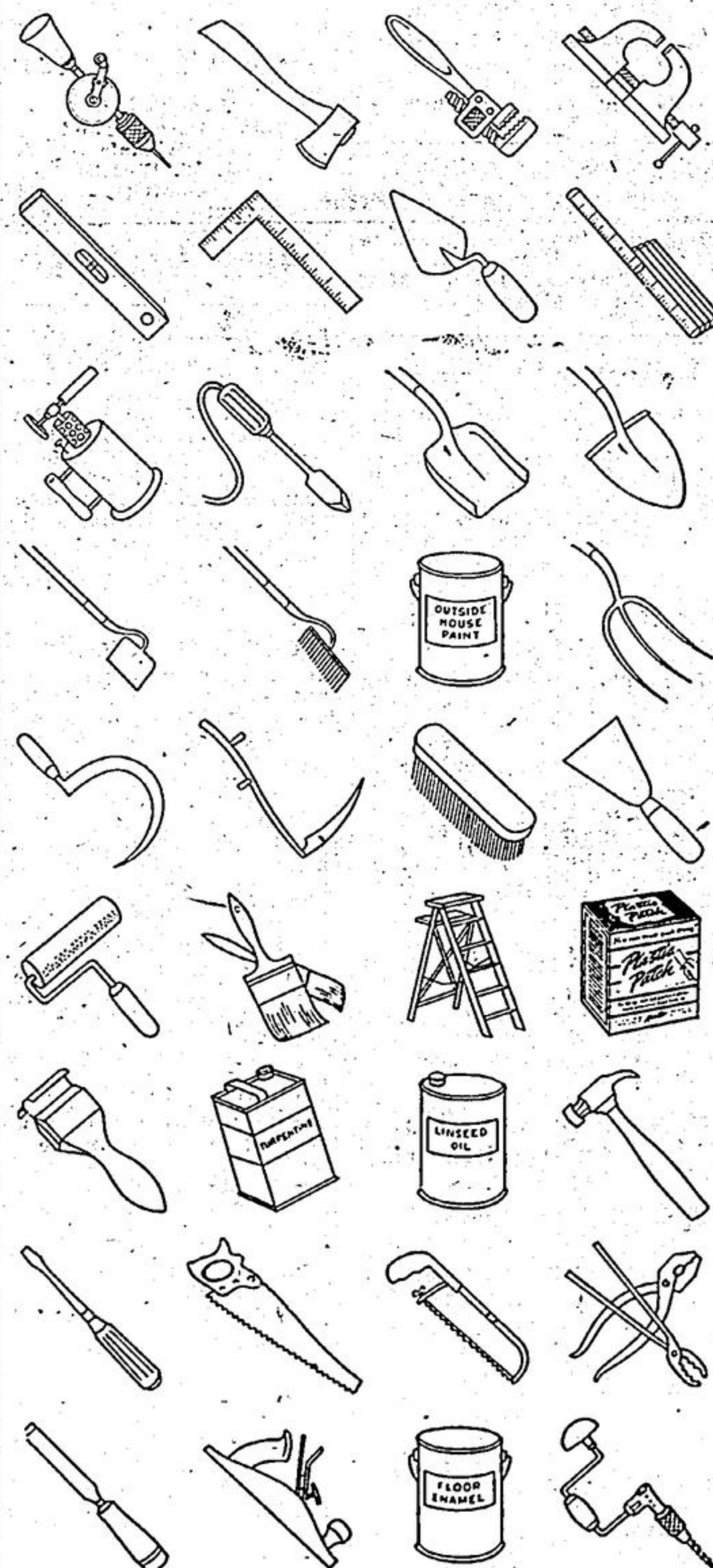
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