

SPORTS

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JIM THOMAS

There will be special public skating in the arena on Christmas night.

The local Clippers came up with their best display of hockey this season in their game with Collingwood on Saturday night. The spectators were almost dazzled at times with the smooth plays perfected by the local squad.

N.H.L. boss Campbell says there is nothing wrong with hockey that a few more goals wouldn't cure—what better way to ensure an extra goal or two than by re-instating overtime play. Lack of overtime in the N.H.L. has taken a lot of interest out of many games for the fans.

Ross Hochberg, former Stouffville defenseman and latest addition to the Newmarket Spitfires roster via an OHA ruling, will be lost to the team indefinitely. X-rays indicate that a small bone in his right wrist had been fractured. He received the injury in Midland. Hochberg had played a leading role in the game in which the Spitfires collected their first win of the season.

There's an added attraction at the Arena this Saturday night. During the Collingwood-Clipper game which is expected to draw the largest crowd of the season to date—the Stouffville Lions Club will draw the lucky ticket for their \$50. doll, that doll dressed in \$1. bills which has been on display in Lehman's Shoe Store window.

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Stouffville Arena: 7:30 p.m., mid-game; Greenwood Aces vs. Burton Rfg.; 8:15, junior Warehousing vs. Radio A; 9:00, int.; Paladins H.C. vs. North York; 9:45, int.; Vets vs. Kimberley A.C.; 10:30, int.; Coxwell Dukes vs. McNamara Flyers; Reverses; Ted Topping and Gordon Favreau.

Aurora Bears came back in the final period with goals by Grant Edwards and Bobby Forhan, his second, to down Elmina Polar Cubs 3-1, and move into first place of their Junior 'D' group. Stan Hahan opened the scoring for Elmina and they held the lead until Bobby Forhan tied it up near the end of the middle round. Goalie Roland Keller starred in goal for Elmina despite the loss, turning aside some 37 shots.

Down in Hamilton the Spectator's Tommy Moore reports on the sad state of the gravy train for the Hamilton Tiger Seniors. He says that the Tigers are on a share-the-wealth basis with the players getting 60 per cent of the net from each home game. One small melon has been sliced to date with the shares working out at \$60 apiece for 10 games. Tigers shouldn't have any trouble qualifying under the hospital tax exemption rules.

Hamilton, Owen Sound and Brantford are all, or have been up to now, on a share-profits arrangement. The other three senior clubs, Dutchmen, Sarnia and Stratford, are working on a contractual basis with regular pay. The last-named trio are drawing by far the biggest crowds but they probably need them because of their firm obligations. A glance at these rates would indicate that the local Clippers are well set up financially here—they get a 70% split of the gate receipts.

The Collingwood Enterprise Bulletin has selected Stouffville, Collingwood, Orillia, Newmarket and Midland to finish in that order in the current Senior hockey league.

Oakville Fliers will be the visiting team at Unionville Arena on Wednesday night of next week, Dec. 26. The visiting Junior 'B' squad should provide plenty of opposition for the Jets.

On Saturday night of this week, Collingwood Shipbuilders will be the visiting team at the local arena. If the contest compares with the game played between these clubs in their last meeting the fans are in for some real thrills.

George Stark and Jim Machin did not make the trip to Collingwood on Saturday night. George became stuck in the snow some time during the day and was unable to get out in time for the trip north.

Bert Baker, husky Clipper defenceman, was forced to retire from the game on Saturday night between the locals and the Shipbuilders when he pulled a muscle in his side. Up to that time he had played a solid game on the Clipper rearguard, counting the first two tallies of the night.

Don Couch, ex-Clipper and this season starring with Lynhurst Motors, received a bad cut on the head in a game played this week. In a pile up on the ice a skate caught the speedy winger on the head and he was rushed to a doctor for repairs. The accident was later found not to be as serious as at first believed.

A number of fans from Stouffville as well as some from Newmarket made the trip north to Collingwood on Saturday night. The Clippers, who had been defeated by Newmarket only a couple of nights previous stunned the onlookers as they sprang back into top form to defeat the Shipbuilders 9-2 in a game that was played at a terrific pace from the drop of the puck.

The drivers that turned out on Saturday night to transport the local hockey players to Collingwood found the driving very bad, with visibility being almost zero at times. In spite of the weather the local squad arrived at the game in good time and skated onto the ice in time for a good pre-game warm up.

Brantford Redmen have lined up two more players in a last-minute attempt to strengthen their tail-end Senior 'A' club. They are right-winger Bill Shill and defense man Jerry McCabe. According to the Brantford Expositor they should join the club this week. Shill, a Toronto Young Ranger grad, played with Bep Guidolin and Don Gallingher in Boston. He has been with the Ottawa Senators of late. Last year he was one of the top scorers in the Pacific Coast League.

O.H.A. BIG FIVE SENIOR 'B'

	P	W	L	Pts.
Stouffville	4	3	1	6
Collingwood	4	3	1	6
Midland	4	2	2	4
Newmarket	6	2	4	4
Orillia	4	1	3	2

Clippers Hand Collingwood Their First Defeat with Dazzling Hockey Display

Stouffville Clippers turned in their most sensational hockey display of the young season on Saturday night as they handed the high flying Collingwood Shipbuilders a 9-2 defeat. It was the first loss for the last year's Intermediate 'A' champs and vaulted the Clippers into a first place tie with the northern squad. The final score didn't indicate the play entirely but the locals had the Shipbuilders dizzy at times with their pattern passing plays. Eatough in the Clipper cage came up with a steady game handling nineteen shots on the night's play. Westbrooke in the Shipbuilders net kicked aside twenty seven shots.

Both teams went scoreless in the first period as the puck did everything but roll into the goal. The Clippers had the best scoring chances although Collingwood came very close on a number of occasions also. Frank Stephenson sailed in alone on Westbrooke early in the period but was out-guessed. Bob Bangay carried the puck through the entire Collingwood squad to set up an almost certain goal but once again a padded figure sprawled on the ice to smother the shot. N. Bangay had carried the full length of the ice to smother the shot. N. Bangay broke in alone to blast a shot into the goaltender a few minutes later. Ronny Bell was robbed of a goal as he pulled Westbrooke out of his net only to hit the far goal post with a low drive.

The second frame saw the locals break into the scoring column with four goals. Bert Baker started the ball rolling at 4:30 as he caught the top corner of the net with a long hard shot. A minute later he notched the second Clipper tally with another long drive. Midway through the period Rumney counted number three from Stephenson before Walmsley of Collingwood broke the ice from Cockrane. With Creighton of

Cockrane off the ice the year.

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE TOP POINT SCORERS

	G	A	Pts.
Paisley, Stouffville	6	4	10
Harwood, Uxbridge	5	2	7
Madley, Lansing	6	1	7
Spence, Riverdale	4	2	6
Mason, Peaches	4	2	6
B. Smith, Agincourt	0	6	6
McKenzie, Agincourt	1	5	6
Clarke, Stouffville	1	4	5
R. Forfar, Stouffville	2	3	5
Sellers, Stouffville	2	3	5
Beach, Uxbridge	5	0	5
D. Thomas, Peaches	4	1	5
Hamilton, Lansing	2	3	5
Davidson, Lansing	4	1	5

Newmarket Upset of Powerful Clippers Is Big Surprise

By Bunny Morganson

It's a tried and true rule in hockey never to underestimate your opposition, but Stouffville Clippers fell into a manhole Thursday night, underestimating the battling Newmarket Spitties to finish up the losing end of a 4-3 decision.

Overcoming Stouffville's 3-1 lead, the Spitties caught on fire late in the middle period. They just couldn't be stopped until they had tied the score, and popped in the winner with less than four minutes remaining. It was Newmarket's second win in six games of the O.H.A. senior-intermediate group, and it did much to quiet home-fan criticism after they had absorbed an 11-1 defeat from Midland a week earlier.

Al Shewchuk, former Maple Leaf farmhand and an outstanding junior performer with Oshawa Generals, paced Newmarket's attack with a heady defensive performance. Still in possession of his bullet-like shot, Shewchuk started his team off with their initial goal early in the game, and then blasted home the all-important third and tying tally after three minutes of last-period action. Laurie Thoms, cousin of Bill, one-time Leaf star, along with Grant Firth, who notched the clincher, also hit the Newmarket score sheet, and the impressionable Jack Andrews almost had two additional markers after cyclonic rushes, one of which was taken away from him by a referee's decision.

Stouffville played their own team hockey in the early portion. Playing coach Bob Bangay sifted through the Newmarket defense for a neat solo in the first period, and brother Nick took over with Buddy Watson as his assistant for the Clippers' big scoring edge in the middle round.

There were several pushing and holding sessions, with the customary saw-off penalties during the hectic last period, but for the most part the competing athletes stuck to their knitting.

"the low fares appeal to me"



★ Ice Chips



Len Bramson
Editor of The Hockey News

Art Ross, now general manager of the Boston Bruins, jumped from Montreal to play for Halleybury in a game in which one mining town gent had bet \$500.

It was really a tough game and to boot Ross was knocked cold no fewer than five times. The first time Harry Smith hit him across the face with his stick and broke his nose. And while Ross lay stretched on the ice Conn Corbeau skated over and kicked him in the stomach.

Chauncey Kirby was the referee of the game and when Ross came to he was standing over him. "Do you know who got you," asked Kirby.

"Sure, Harry Smith hit me," replied Ross.

"Okay," said Kirby. "You just go out there and get him."

One night Johnny Gagnon, the ex-Montreal Canadiens' Black Cat of a few seasons back, and Herhey Jackson of the Toronto Maple Leafs famous Kid Line were handing it out to each other during a game.

Jackson was much bigger than Gagnon and the first time they met on the ice Jackson laid Johnny out with a solid bodycheck. As Gagnon got to his feet Jackson apologized. "Sorry, Johnny, but I'm following orders."

It happened a second time and once again came the same apology.

"Sorry, Johnny, orders."

The third time it happened Gagnon rose slowly only to be greeted with the same story from Jackson. But this time little Gagnon had had enough.

"For goodness sake," he yelled, "how long is this border for?"

In 1922 Tommy Gorman broke King Clancy in with the Ottawa Senators. That season the lovable Irishman played every position on the team, including goalie.

Clancy was so young when he first started with the Nats that Frank Neighbor locked him in his room at nights. When King asked him one night just what he was supposed to do if a fire broke out, Neighbor callously remarked:

"Just jump. Someone will probably catch you."

Sprague Cleghorn was a great practical joker. He almost pulled the prize of them all one night when the Governor General of Canada was escorted onto the ice to shake hands with the Montreal Maroons. It was back in 1932.

Sprague had one of those electric buzzers clenched in the palm of his hand and was all set to use it on the Governor General. Just at the last moment the horrified Jim Strachan, general manager of the Maroons, standing next to Cleghorn noticed that Sprague was up to some mischief.

He hurriedly whispered to him that if he pulled his stunt there would be another coach at the helm after the game. Cleghorn desisted. Nearly all the players knew what was going on but were puzzled because it didn't come off, although Cleghorn would have done it if he hadn't been warned.

Unionville Jets Edge Lions 5-4

Unionville Jets shaded North Toronto Lions, 5-4, in an exciting O.H.A. Junior 'B' game at Scarborough Arena.

Lions were never ahead but managed to tie the score twice and didn't let Don Irwin score the winning goal until the 12-minute mark of the final period. Then they put on a concerted drive that was stopped by fine Unionville defense work.

Don Courier led the Jets with three goals and Mel Franzak scored one. Doug Timgren and Bob Fleming each had two for Lions.

LIONS NATIONAL LEAGUE SCHEDULE

Saturday, Dec. 15	Maple Leafs vs. Canadiens
Saturday, Dec. 22	Black Hawks vs. Canadiens
Saturday, Dec. 29	Black Hawks vs. Maple Leafs
Saturday, Jan. 5	Boston vs. Black Hawks
Saturday, Jan. 12	Maple Leafs vs. Boston
Saturday, Jan. 19	Canadiens vs. Boston
	Maple Leafs vs. Black Hawks

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE STANDINGS

	P	W	L	T Pts.
Stouffville	5	5	0	0 10
Agincourt	6	3	3	0 6
Lansing	5	2	3	0 4
Riverdale	4	2	2	0 4
Peaches	5	1	3	1 3
Uxbridge	5	1	3	1 3
Wednesday, Dec. 12				
Stouffville 7, Agincourt 4				
Peaches 4, Uxbridge 4				
Friday, Dec. 14				
Stouffville 4, Riverdale 2				
Agincourt 5, Lansing 4				
Schedule				
Friday, Dec. 21				
7:45—Lansing vs. Uxbridge				
9:30—Riverdale vs. Agincourt				
Wednesday, Dec. 26				
7:45—Agincourt vs. Peaches				
9:30—Lansing vs. Stouffville				
Friday, Dec. 28				
7:45—Lansing vs. Riverdale				
9:30—Stouffville vs. Uxbridge				

each. Low scored for Lansing and Miller for Agincourt. The final fifteen minutes told the tale as Agincourt made a sensational come-back to eke out a close win. McKenzie notched two goals with Miller getting the other. The win boosted Agincourt into second place and dropped Lansing into a fourth place tie with Riverdale.

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Junior 'B'

HOCKEY

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 26
Oakville Fliers vs.