

## Sports Camera

by The Canadian Press  
A young rookie to watch for in the Maple Leafs' lineup this winter is a 190 pound defenceman who was unknown to the Leafs 10 months ago.

Although he hasn't passed the training camp stage, Leaf officials seem to feel they have made an amazing discovery in John Grisdale.

Coach John McLellan will say only: "He has a good chance to make it."

But he is also quick to add: "He's been one of our best so far. He played very well in our two games with Minnesota."

Chief scout Bob Davidson is far more optimistic about his new discovery.

He first noticed young Grisdale, 23, last December in the Detroit Olympia when a United States College tournament was being played.

"I had never heard of him but I checked with the NHL and I was amazed to find out he was a free agent. We put him right on our list. He looked better than some of the juniors we've been drafting - still does."

No Dossier  
It was almost embarrassing to the Leafs, who carefully document the progress of young players from pabulum to puberty and beyond, that they didn't have a dossier on Grisdale.

And, of course, on Davidson's recommendation they checked Grisdale more thoroughly. They even learned he had played junior B hockey in Toronto with the Dixie Bees.

When the Michigan Tech. Huskies, his new-found American team, played in another tournament in North Dakota early this year the Leafs assigned their Western Canada scout, Torchy Schell, to observe him.

Grisdale went to Michigan Tech on a hockey scholarship. He graduated last spring, majoring in mechanical engineering. At present, however, he is more intent on majoring in hockey.

"I'm not thinking of anything but hockey now," he said.

Grisdale is not surprised that he was unnoticed by scouts or by anyone else when he played in the Metro junior B league.

"I was with Dixie for only one year and it was the first time I had ever played defence. I was undecided about hockey. Education was always in the back of my mind but when the opportunity came to go to Michigan Tech I made up my mind to become a defenceman."

The hockey coach at M.T. is John MacInnes, a former Torontonian. "He's a fantastic coach. He helped me a lot."

Grisdale has discovered, in the short time he has been with the Leafs, that players are much tougher in the NHL than in the U.S. Western Collegiate Hockey Association.

"The thing I missed most at Michigan Tech was hitting. I've always liked to hit. I'm not going out of my way trying to hit people but I think it's part of the game. It's much harder here of course," he added.

Charlie Patterson, who became concerned about a need for improved protective headgear for hockey players when his oldest boy was hit on the head with a puck 10 years ago, has come up with a new hockey helmet.

And the Patterson helmet, made of the same material as that used the NASA astronauts, will not be selling at astronomical prices.

The helmets will soon go on sale in Canada at \$5.

Charlie thinks he has a winner in his material Lexon Polycarbonate. At a press conference in Toronto, he showed how the new material could withstand the force of an eight-pound steel ball dropped on it from a height of five feet.

Ran Tests  
This test he ran thousands of times during his studies on competitive helmets on the market, as well as his own.

Earl Dawson, Canadian Amateur Hockey Association president, whose organization has given its approval to the helmet, explained the CAHA position this way:

"The success of these helmets is in the design of the impact domes or girders. These ridges are built into the helmet over the areas where the human skull has ridges or joints. These

are the areas that need protection the most.

"Yet the most important thing, given proper design and construction, is the fit. If the helmet does not fit properly, it will be useless no matter how well it is built."

To combat this problem, Patterson has used a type of harness suspension in his helmets, the same kind used in the Stan Mikita-style headgear.

Patterson said professional hockey is not contributing anything to development of the safety helmets.

"To hell with the pros if they haven't got the sense to protect themselves," he said. "I'm interested in the kids who don't realize the importance of proper protection, or who can't afford expensive equipment."



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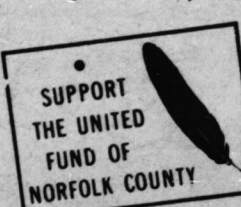
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## In The Farm Front

AYUGA - The final location date for winter insurance from the Insurance Commission Ontario has been ended to Oct. 20.

Greenhouse Night School planned for Oct. 12, 19 at Vineland Station. Tickets would be available from Ian Smith or Bob

Wilcox at the Vineland Station office of the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. John K. Peart, Caledonia, winners of the High Score for the county in the Haldimand Farm and Home Improvement Competition.

County winners of the High Improvement Score and Harvey Bros., Lowbanks.

County winners in Section 2 for rural, non-farm homes, were Lawrence Mageran, RR 9 Dunnville (High Score) and William Siddall, Lowbanks (High Improvement).

"Comsolve" is coming to the International Plowing Match. Comsolve is a

Computerized Problem Solving Service in Machinery Management for Ontario Farmers. The service will be available by contacting the agricultural engineer at the county agricultural office.

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\* A complete machinery system for silage to provide greater guidance on machine capacities and inter-relation of equipment;  
\* Consideration of timeliness in machinery systems;  
\* Structural component design;  
\* Manure handling systems-structures and

equipment for solid and liquid handling and a cost comparison;  
\* Irrigation system design.  
Area farmers are invited to see Comsolve at the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food display at the International Plowing Match, Oct. 12 to 16.

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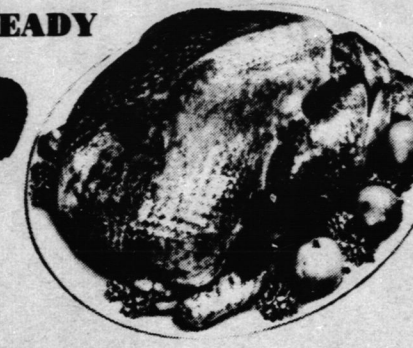
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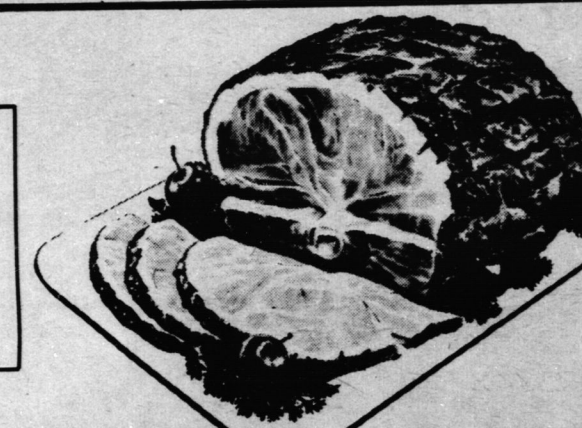
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