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**A**LTHOUGH we didn't see Saturday's exhibition game between Art Massucci's Sarnia Imperials and Hamilton Tigers in the Tunnel City, we don't imagine that Massucci feels too badly about the 12-6 setback his young team suffered. As a matter of fact his feelings may be to the contrary.

With the nucleus of last year's team gone, the Sarnia coach is faced with a rebuilding program. The old cogs have been replaced with new. Old age has given way to youth.

The man the Imperials are going to miss most this season is Hugh (Bummer) Stirling, for years the backbone of the Sarnia backfield and undoubtedly one of the greatest individual performers in the history of Canadian football.

For a decade no Sarnia team had to worry about its kicking. Stirling was the man who took care of that chore as well as a host of other tasks.

It is the kicking department that is giving Massucci the most worry this season. He is pinning his faith in two youngsters who are untried in senior competition, Gordie Meikle, who hoofed Cobourg to the Intermediate O.R.F.U. championship last year and Hank Galloway, who played with Sarnia Juniors last fall.

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