

Fourth Game In Allan Cup Finals Will Be Played In Toronto

Durocher Has Lots Of Friends

By Gayle Talbot

CINCINNATI, May 2 — (AP) — Leo Durocher, who suddenly has come up with a lot of friends he hadn't even suspected were on his side, probably will gain a quick exoneration when he faces baseball commissioner A. B. (Happy) Chandler here tomorrow.

Chandler wouldn't say so. He still was intent tonight on going through the motions of a hearing and said he was "of an open mind." But the letters and telegrams pleading leniency for the manager of New York Giants were piled high on his desk and he had read them.

"I hope I can give you a quick decision, as soon as the hearing is over," said the man who holds Durocher's fate in his hands.

It seemed fairly evident from his untroubled countenance that he isn't as peeved at Leo as he was, say, two springs ago.

So far as he knows, the commissioner said, the only ones who will appear at his office tomorrow morning are Durocher and Giants officials, including president Horace Stoneham.

Fred Boysen, the Brooklyn fan who claimed Durocher assaulted him after a game at the Polo Grounds, last Thursday, is not to be represented.

If Chandler gives the peppery little pilot the benefit of the doubt then Durocher's suspension will be lifted and he will be free to resume his management of the Giants. He has been suspended since last Friday.

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Ottawa, May 2 — (CP) — Ottawa Senators and Regina Capitals will play the crucial fourth game of the Allan Cup finals in Toronto Wednesday, it was learned tonight.

The decision to shift the series from Ottawa to Toronto for the fourth game was made after a heated battle between officials of the Senators Capitals and the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association.

Fans attending the third game in Ottawa tonight were told over a public address system that the fourth game will be played here. But it expected that the official announcement of the change in venue would be made after the end of the third period.

The series was shifted after Regina manager Cliff Ehrle said flatly Capitals would play the next game of the best-of-seven series in Toronto, Tommy Gorman, manager of the Senators, was just as emphatic that it would be played in Ottawa.

Ehrle said that when the Caps arrived in Ottawa for the Canadian senior hockey championship finals last Wednesday he had asked Gorman if it was fair to expect the Regina team to play all seven games here.

Ehrle quoted Gorman as replying that it wasn't fair to the Caps but that he had nothing to do with it because it had been settled by the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association some time ago.

The Regina manager said he then asked Gorman if he would have any complaint if two games of the series were played in Toronto. Gorman was quoted as replying that he would have no complaint; that it was strictly up to the C.A.H.A.

The Regina manager said he then went to work on the C.A.H.A. and was advised today by George Dudley, secretary, and president Al Pickard that the Wednesday night game would be in Toronto while venue of the Saturday night meeting hadn't been decided definitely.

"If Gorman is bigger than the C.A.H.A. then it's okay with me," Ehrle said today on learning that Gorman was standing by the Ottawa location for the fourth game.

"In any case we're leaving here at 2:30 p.m. tomorrow for Toronto and we'll play the fourth game there or not at all.

"We also hope to complete arrangements in line with what Gorman told us when we arrived, to have the fifth game in Maple Leaf Gardens Saturday night but that isn't definite yet."

Ehrle said he had been advised that Gorman was willing to play the fifth game in Toronto providing Senators won tonight's game.

The Regina manager added that he had telephoned Conroy Smythe in Toronto to assure that Maple Leaf Gardens was available and was told the ice could be used there both Wednesday and Saturday.

The question of where the series should be played has been a thorn in the sides of Regina Caps since they came here. They have lost the first two games of the series by scores of 6-4 and 3-1 and have complained both times that the odd-shaped Ottawa ice left them at a disadvantage.

The nose on the Statue of Liberty in New York harbor is four feet six inches long.

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IN THE CORNER

It is with regret that we chronicle the passing of another keen Island sports follower in the person of Ray McDonald, whose sudden passing yesterday evening saddened a host of friends and left a void, particularly in junior athletic activities, that will prove hard to fill.

Never one to seek the limelight, Ray nevertheless exerted a strong influence in junior sports circles. Always a keen follower of athletics in the twilight of his life, and despite ailing health he never lost his interest, and up to the time of his passing held executive positions with junior clubs hereabouts.

He played a major role in the development of the Knights of Columbus Recreation Centre, a centre that has grown by leaps and bounds and he was in a great part responsible for many of the athletes now occupying starring roles getting their start. No job was too big for Ray to tackle and he lent to his activities a keen mind that helped to surmount many obstacles.

Quiet spoken and mild mannered, he made a host of friends, not the least of whom are the many youngsters who were favored with his help and guidance. He will be missed keenly and to his bereaved wife and family this column extends most sincere sympathy.

It was learned yesterday that the Prince Street School and West Kent School girls basketball teams will play a sudden-death hoop match at the Cundall Home this Friday night for the City interscholastic basketball championship. The West Kent School team, who have held the title for the past three years, are the defending champions.

Activities are moving along steadily day by day in the preparation of getting everything ship shape for the opening of the forthcoming baseball season locally. Work is underway at the present time on the old ball diamond overlooking Fort Edward in Victoria Park, where men are busily engaged in ironing out the rough spots and patching up the diamond generally to put it in first class shape.

Although no work has commenced yet on the main diamond at the Memorial Sports Field at Victoria Park due to the fact that the grounds have not dried out sufficiently yet to work on, officials feel that they will be able to go to work in the very near future if the present warm weather continues.

Work has also commenced at

S'Side Girls Win Hoop Game

The Summerside High School girls basketball squad downed the Prince Street School quintette by a score of 47-30 in an exhibition hoop match at the Cundall home last Friday night.

Getting off to a fast start Summerside went into an early lead and at the end of the first half held a 36-16 margin over their opponents.

Coming back strong in the final half, the P. S. squad battled hard to overcome the 20-point deficit, but despite the fact that they out-pointed their opponents by a 14-11 margin, they didn't seem to be able to cope with Summerside's power line of Howatt, Mulart and Jenkins, with the Western hoopers holding a 17-point advantage at the final whistle.

Cubby Howatt, smooth-working Summerside centre, led the scoring on the play with a total of 24 points, while her teammate Mulart was next in line with 16. Joan Storey, Peggy Campbell and McEachern led the scoring for the local squad with 12, 8 and 8 respectively.

The following are the lineups and scoring:

S. S. H. — Howatt, 24; Elderkin 0; J. Jenkins 5; B. Jenkins 0; Mulart 16; Clarke 2; Dewar 0; Melkie 0; Total 47.

P. S. S. — Storey 12; Barwise 0; Campbell 8; Saunders 2; Tweel 0; McEachern 8; Total 30.

Referee — Neil Young; scorers, Gwen McKay and Carol Creelman.

Spring Park Field where a diamond is being put in shape for the use of the minor leagues in that section of the City, which will take in midget, bantam leagues, etc., while plans are also being laid for the development of another diamond out in the east end of the City, in the area near Hillsboro Bridge.

Progress is also being made in the development of the minor leagues such as bantams, midgets and juveniles, which is being carried out by some of the senior players who are taking on the job of organizing the groups in the various sections of the City under the direction of the Department of Physical Fitness.

Buck White, who is looking after the boys in the Western end of the City, has already got his boys pretty well in hand and has formed up five teams from that section, two in midget ranks, two in bantam and one in the juvenile group, and although they have not had any actual practice sessions yet they expect to get rolling any day now.

Baseball Attendance Reported Up Slightly

NEW YORK, May 2 — (AP) — Baseball attendance in the major leagues, expected to drop after the 1948 all-time high, shows a slight increase over last year for the first two weeks of the season.

A total of 1,728,534 fans paid to watch the big leagues as compared to 1,700,487 for the same period last year. Although the increase is only approximately 1 per cent, it is surprising that attendance is holding up to the record level.

The New York Yankees-Boston Red Sox series, involving three games in Boston April 22-23-24 and three home in Yankee Stadium last week-end, contributed 225,702 of the American League's 880,984 paid.

Wheat Kings' Stock Jumps

BRANDON, Man., May 2 — (CP) — Brandon Wheat Kings stock jumped today with reports that Reggie Abbott, centre who missed the second Memorial Cup final game against Montreal Royals, might be in shape for the third game here tomorrow night.

An injured knee, suffered in the opener last Thursday, at Winnipeg, has been responding to treatment and rest and Abbott feels "it will be okay."

If Abbott isn't ready to play Tuesday, Mike Durban, former Portage la Prairie juvenile, probably will take over again as he did in Brandon's 3-2 victory here Saturday night — the game which put Brandon on even terms after Royals won the opener by a similar score.

To date, the teams are deadlocked on games and also on goals scored at five apiece. Both goaltenders have turned in top-notch performances, and out in front, there is little to choose.

York Rifle Club

The regular shoot was held Thursday as usual with a fair attendance. The annual prize shoot will be held Wednesday, May 4, taking in an entire afternoon of shooting and a supper in the evening. There will be prizes for every contestant and all are welcome.

Scores for the regular shoot are as follows:

Vernon Duck	98
P. Proud	97
Roy Vessey	97
H. T. Vesey	97
S. J. Birt	96
Dewar Swan	96
Leigh Vessey	95
Allan Swan	94
A. J. Cluney	94
O. MacDonald	93
Stuart Vessey	92
B. Barwise	91
Lloyd Vessey	91
Ken Morrison	91
V. Dennis	91
H. Taylor	90
Louis Vessey	90
Andrew Wood	89
Geo Watts	89
Howard Watts	89
Frank Vessey	84
Leslie Birt	81
Richard Vessey	80

Summons Served On Leo Durocher

NEW YORK, May 2 — (AP) — A summons charging Leo Durocher, manager of New York Giants, with simple assault was issued by Magistrate Doris I. Byrne in Upper Manhattan court today. The summons is returnable in the same court Monday.

Wins Rookie Award

MONTREAL, May 2 — (CP) — Penttil Lund, New York Rangers' right winger, was named today as winner of the Calder Memorial Trophy, the National Hockey League's top rookie award for 1948-49.

The 24-year-old Helsinki native, "the player selected as the most proficient in his first year of competition in the N.H.L.," was awarded 31 points by judges, 12 more than his teammate and runner-up, Allan Stanley. Lund also gets a \$1,000 cheque.

Not Interested In Job, Apps Says

TORONTO, May 2 — (CP) — Syl Apps said today that he wasn't interested in an offer from Frank Selke, manager of Montreal Canadiens, to return to National Hockey League competition, at \$30,000 for three seasons. Apps is now personnel manager of a large department store here (Simpson's).

"It's awfully nice of Mr. Selke to remember me," said the former Toronto Maple Leafs centre star who retired after helping his team win the Stanley Cup in 1948, "but I'm not interested in hockey other than from a coaching or spectator's role."

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Sees Durocher Born To Trouble

By Whitney Martin

NEW YORK, May 2 — (AP) — The guy was born to trouble, and it will be a long, long time, if ever, before baseball will see another like him.

Much of Leo Durocher's troubles have been of his own making, for after all, any strutting, defiant, arrogant, aggressive, chip-on-the-shoulder individual is destined for a rough journey through life.

There never has been anything negative, or even neutral, about "The Lip." His is a strikingly positive personality, and a complex personality that inspires either ardent loyalty or intense hatred. But never indifference.

The complexities of his nature are illustrated in his extremes. He can be a polished gentleman. He can be a loud, inconsiderate and lusty character.

He can be intensely loyal, and he can be vitriolic to an extreme.

His latest controversy involving an alleged slugging of a fan at the Polo Grounds aroused mixed feelings. No in-between feelings, but either the feeling he was being made the goat, or that he was guilty without trial.

Had it not been Durocher involved, it probably would have been dismissed as insignificant. But it had to be Durocher. It couldn't have been Mel Ott, or Eddie Dyer, or Burt Shotton.

These men aren't associated with controversy, and violence. Durocher, so it just had to be Durocher, and whether he was at fault or not, the incident naturally was ballooned into mountainous proportions.

That is the penalty he pays for his stormy history: The penalty of a sharp, striking personality that makes his every word and deed a matter of violent debate.

Canadian Boxer Loses In Britain

LEEDS, England, May 2 — (Reuters) — Gene Fowler, Canadian heavyweight, tonight was defeated by Reg Spring of Southall, Middlesex, in an eight-round boxing bout.

Spring, English boxing-area champion, was awarded the victory by a decision.

ATTENTION

All members of Navy Hockey Team are requested to attend a wind-up meeting at Navy Barracks at 8:30 Tuesday night the 3rd of May.

Tells How Boy Fooled Game Warden

ALLESTON, Ont., May 2 — (CP) — Simcoe County fishermen, recounting incidents of the trout season opening told this one tonight about the game warden who found a youngster with a nice string of fish—two days before the official opening Saturday. "The youngster told the warden: 'You oughta see the ones I've got strung out downstream. Hold these a minute and I'll get them to show you.' The warden is still waiting."

Ahern Steps Down As Halifax Mayor

HALIFAX, May 2 — (CP) — John Edward (Gee) Ahern, 46, star athlete and sportswriter who became mayor of Halifax, retired from that post today.

Leading citizen among 100,000 Halifaxians for three years, Mr. Ahern relinquished his office to Gordon S. Kinley, elected Wednesday.

An unwritten Halifax law says that a Roman Catholic and a Protestant must alternate in the chief magistracy's post. Mr. Ahern is a Roman Catholic.

"It is a great load off my mind but I kind of feel sorry to leave the place," the retiring mayor said as he walked out of his office for the last time, a bulging scrapbook of press clippings and personal records under one arm.

"To my friends I say 'thank you' and to my enemies, 'all is forgiven'."

Markets at a Glance

(Canadian Press)

Toronto—Stocks firmer; all groups gain.

Montreal—Stocks easier; move narrowly lower.

New York—Stocks mixed; bull market holds in narrow range.

Senators Shut Out Regina Caps 7-0 For Third Straight Victory

Sport Briefs

OTTAWA, May 2 — (CP) — With veteran Bill (Legs) Fraser performing superbly in the post, Ottawa Senators took a stringhold on the Allan Cup final tonight by shutting out Regina Caps 7-0 for their third straight victory in the best-of-seven series.

The 31-year-old Winnipeg-born goaltender turned aside just about every shot in the books to score his first shutout of the senior hockey final. Senators won the opener 6-4 and the second game 3-1.

A crowd of 7,101 joyful Ottawa fans saw all three lines of the Senators outskate the Caps. The forwards couldn't do anything wrong when they got within shooting distance of goalie Bev Bentley.

It was much the same story as in the previous two games from an offensive standpoint as the big Ottawa line of Ed Dartnell, Nils Tremblay and Bill Robinson accounted for four of the seven goals.

The game ranged from hard-hitting, slambang hockey to plain fast skating as Senators took a 1-0 lead in the first period.

They ranned home four goals in the middle frame and, though Caps tried desperately to get back in the running, slammed in another two in the last session.

Robinson, leftwinger from Winnipeg, led the scoring parade with two goals, assisting on another.

Dartnell, Dagensia Tremblay, Eddie Emberg and Buddy Hellyer tallied the other counters. Tremblay had a couple of assists to boot as did rightwinger George Greene.

During the first period the Senators outshot Regina 9-5 in the second period—when Ottawa scored four goals—Regina had a shooting edge of 9-8. During the third period Ottawa outshot the losers 13-7 to make a total of 24 stops for Fraser and 27 for Bentley.

Two players were cut on the head, Stu Smith needing two stitches on the back of his head, while defenseman Gus Kyle had a cut on the forehead treated.

Mel Hill was given a five-minute penalty for drawing blood when he clipped Smith during the second period, and although Kyle claimed a similar penalty against Tremblay, the referee disagreed.

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland, May 1 — (AP) — Defending champion Frank Stranahan of Toledo, O., spearheads a 16-man United States invasion seeking the British amateur golf title next month. A total of 197 entries have been received by the Royal and Ancient Golf Clubs of St. Andrews, sponsor of the event.

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