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Just One More Victory Needed By Montrealers

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(By Elmer Dulmage, Canadian Press Staff Writer)
(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)
TORONTO, April 7—Thomas P. Gorman, king of optimists, painter of dreams that come true, whooped "three straight for us," tonight and his obedient Montreal Maroons promised to make this extraordinary Stanley Cup series as short and painless as possible for Conny Smythe's Toronto Maple Leafs.

To the great consternation of a thrilled crowd of 14,147 last night, Maroons accomplished three bits of spectacular sniping to overthrow the aroused champions of the National Hockey League 3-1 and reach a point only one win distant from the most prized bauble in the hockey world.

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BEARCATS EN ROUTE TO HALIFAX

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MONTREAL, Apr. 7—Port Arthur Bearcats, enroute to Halifax to challenge the East for the Allan Cup, were visitors in Montreal today. After a whirl on skates at the Forum to loosen travel-weary legs, the small, light team boarded a train for the Nova Scotia capital tonight and will arrive probably in time to see part of the second game tomorrow night between Wolves of Halifax and Royals of Montreal.

In charge of Ed Wolvin, secretary and manager and Albert Pudas, coach, the Port Arthur squad's personnel consisted of 14 men. The regular line-up of 10, the limit which may be in uniform for any one game, has been augmented by Trevor Higginbottom, spare goalie; Stan King, right wing; Sam Gigliotti, left wing; and Bert Cummings, defence.

The coach stated, however, that the squad which eliminated North Battleford Beavers in the Western Canada final will start in the first game against the East. It is: goal, Nash; defence, Robillard, Milton; centre, Haggarty; wings, Deacon, Saxberg; subs, Thompson, Sinclair, Huemenuk and Friday. Two trainers, Scotty Stewart and George Nyberg, accompanied the team.

Rival Coaches Confident

HALIFAX, April 7—"We should have beaten that team at least 6-1, the way I figured it, but the breaks were all against us," Coach Don Penniston of the Montreal Royals declared last night as he disgustedly kicked a dressing room wall when everything was over.

There was little cheerfulness in the Montreal tent after the Halifax Wolverines managed to draw a 3-3 tie with the Royals on a fluke shot off Vince Ferguson near the end of the third period in the first game of the Eastern semi-final round in the Allan Cup play-downs.

But Penniston was confident about Monday's result. "You just watch us then," he stated complacently. "The boys will have the train stiffness out of them by that time."

He was sure the Royals, whom he called "a bunch of kids," would beat the Halifax team playing the same style of game they used Saturday night. "I told you we always played hockey like that and we're going to play the same wide-open brand Monday."

MISSED FOUR SURE GOALS
HALIFAX, April 7—The Wolves are going to do better against the Royals Monday night," Coach Red Stuart, a veteran of the National Hockey League, exclaimed happily last night after the two teams finished up on even terms at 3-3 at the end of the first game of a series for the Eastern Canadian championship and a berth in the Allan Cup final against Port Arthur Bearcats.

"I was very pleased with the showing my boys made," he said. "They got a lot of ill-gained confidence by scoring whenever they liked against three rate clubs in the province during the past two months," he continued, explaining the way he felt about it all.

"And besides all that, we missed at least four sure goals. In my opinion that makes up for the lucky one Vince Ferguson scored. We're going to go places Monday night, no fooling. The team will have away more fighting spirit."

Chuck Templeton's SPORTRAITS



ON THE SIDELINES

(By Pat Power)

NO DOUBT BOTH the Royals and Wolves were in a position to congratulate themselves on the outcome of the game Saturday night. It was a heart-breaker for the Royals to lose being in the lead until about two minutes before the end of the third period when Vince Ferguson lobbed a shot from centre ice which caught Reginald off guard and settled in the net. In the overtime Owen Lennon, flashy and versatile left winger of the Wolves, missed a number of opportunities to end the deadlock, but overanxiousness robbed him of sure goals.

THREE FORMER Abegweit players, Hudson, McGlashen and Bubar, starred in the night's play, "Daddy" at times rising to the heights of brilliancy. Tonight the teams resume the struggle in what may be the deciding game of the series and judging from the sentiments exclaiming by the two coaches a titanic struggle is in the offing.

COACH EARL GOSS of the Abegweit Sisters basketball team returned from Halifax Saturday night after seeing his team lose a great bid for the Maritime title to the Halifax Ladies Athletic Club in a sudden-death encounter. Earl has the highest words of praise for the showing of the squad and while not attempting to take anything away from the Halifax team is of the opinion that had the series been arranged on a home and home game basis with points to count that the Abbie Sisters would this year be the possessors of the three-province crown and the Halifax Herald and Mail trophy.

STEPPING OFF A train after riding for twelve hours and then entering a title encounter less than an hour later places any squad at a decided disadvantage and this is just what the local girls had to contend with in view of this their showing is considerable and one can easily see why Coach Goss is of the above opinion.

SPEAKING OF THE game the locals' coach said the encounter was of the close-checking variety with neither team showing a distinct superiority over the other and the final score of 15-11 certainly bears this statement out.

FOR THE THIRD year in a row it looks as if Stanley Cup laurels are about to slide out of reach of the mighty Toronto Maple Leafs. Maroons second straight victory Saturday night has made them top-heavy favorite to succeed the Chicago Black Hawks as world's professional champions—and on their performances in the finals should make this a reality in the very near future.

THEY HAVE outsmarted and outguessed the Torontonians, taken advantage of their scoring opportunities to the nth degree and altogether have been the better team, however, Leafs should in

JAMES WRY RE-ELECTED PRES. M.A.H.A.

HALIFAX, April 7—James E. Wry of Amherst was unanimously re-elected president of the Maritime Amateur Hockey Association for the fourth consecutive year at the annual meeting here Saturday.

Entering the eight-hour session with the firm intention of retiring, announced months in advance, President Wry finally yielded to the insistence of delegates who feared a bitter contest over the post.

The only other nomination was for J. D. McIntyre, K. C. of Antigonish, and he immediately withdrew in favor of Wry. Candidates boosted by groups of clubs for weeks before the meeting were not mentioned.

Little was accomplished in the way of legislation, motions being brought up and contested, referred back to committee and fought all over again.

A three-hour debate preceded passage of a resolution that the annual fee for intermediate clubs be advanced from \$2 to \$5; that intermediate clubs be entitled to vote at annual, semi-annual and special meetings of the M. A. H. A.; and that intermediate champions be given the privilege to play off with the senior league titleholders.

The Martin trophy, emblematic of the New Brunswick senior championship, was presented by Dr. Herbert, coach of Edmundston Eskimos, plucky intermediate outfit which defeated Nova Scotia's senior "B" champions and was eliminated from the Maritime final by the Wolves.

Manager Jack Conn of the Halifax team presented the Nova Scotia title trophy to Kentville Wildcats, senior "B" winners, and said Wolverines renounced any claim to it.

The mooted dissatisfaction over the title senior "B" as applied to many Nova Scotia clubs, failed to materialize.

Ronald M. Ross of Amherst, secretary of the defunct Maritime Hockey League, advocated that clubs and individuals in the various divisions make a special effort to develop hockey players between the ages of 12 and 16. He received strong support from other speakers.

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High tributes to President Wry's work during the last four years were paid by Cecil Duncan, first vice-president of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association; Frank Greenleaf of Montreal, past-president of the C. A. H. A.; and major J. H. Sutherland of Kingston, Ont., past-president and life member of the C. A. H. A.

Major Sutherland said Wry was regarded by C. A. H. A. officials as the most likely prospect for the eventual presidency of the Canadian Association, tempering his remark with the information that a usually required nearly 10 years' experience in details of hockey before a man could be suitable for the chief position in the national organization. In his opinion the Maritime President was already eligible for second vice-president.

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Ferguson Ties Score Near End Of 3rd Period 3-3

Lennon Misses Chances To Take Game In Final Overtime Session — Halifax Defense Crumbles.

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HALIFAX, April 7—A snarling pack of Halifax Wolverines held Montreal's Royals to a 3-3 overtime tie in the first game of the Eastern Canadian amateur hockey championship series and flashed such brilliance against the deadly precision of a machine that 90 minutes of bruising battle failed to establish favorites to enter the Allan Cup finals.

They clash again Monday night in a game that may decide the opponents of Port Arthur Bearcats, Western champions, in a series for the Canadian title and the trophy Moncton Hawks have held in the Maritimes for two years.

Lanky Vince Ferguson, old war-horse who has been with Wolverines since they were organized in 1923, tied the score Saturday night with a lucky bouncer less than two minutes before the end of the third period, when Royals were leading 3-2.

ROYALS LUCKY
But Royals were the lucky ones in the overtime sessions. Twice in the final 10-minute period Owen Lennon, Wolverine left-winger, had Patsy Seguin cold.

Had the former Truro Bearcats sniper carried on with his old carelessness the draperies would have bulged, but he hesitated trying to make sure and the few seconds lost each time brought beaten Royals on top of him.

Those were the most gripping seconds of a match which saw the cocky Halifax defence crumble before Montreal's smooth-working first string forwards—Hughie Farquharson, Ralph St. Germain and Dave Neville—as professional league scouts looked on.

Piercing the Graham-Lavigne stronghold with ease, Royal sharpshooters blasted 47 shots at "Daddy" Bubar in the Halifax citadel, while the monolithic Seguin had only 32 to worry about.

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Referee Jack Duggan and George Foster, both of Ottawa, handed out 12 penalties, six to Wolverines and six to Royals. Frankie Graham, 150 pound Halifax defenceman who bumps like a locomotive, was the bad man of the game, going to the cooler once in the first period and twice in the second.

Both teams were expected to do better things Monday night, having overcome disabilities claimed by their coaches.

Showing the effects of a long lay-off and playing without their injured captain, the Halifax outfit needed Saturdays clash to strike their stride, according to Coach "Red" Stuart, one-time National League star.

Don Penniston, youthful mentor of the Royals, declared his "bunch of kids" were just getting over their train stiffness.

VISITORS OUTSKATED
The Royals were far more organized in their attacks but none of them could skate with the flashy Lawlor or Lennon. McGlashen, once headed for the big league and now on the comeback trail after a bad slump, probably gave the Ontario-Quebec champions more trouble than anyone else.

Seven thousand fans, all set for a week's hockey spree, went mad as Hudson walloped in the first goal six minutes after the game opened. It was the prettiest play of the night, with honors going to McGlashen. Swerving in from his centre position, the minister's son sped into Royal's territory on the right



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SENIOR Y ELIMINATE COLLEGE TEAM

Awarded two foul shots with time just seconds from the end and the score deadlocked at 36-all Jimmie Walker, playing guard for the Senior Y hoop team put on a real Merrillville finish to the deciding game of the P. W. C.-Senior Y game Saturday night as he sank his first throw to send his team into the finals for the Y title against the Hi-Y Grads.

The result climaxed a stirring Y rally in the second half when they came from behind a 14-point deficit in the first session to eke out the victory. It was a tough break for the Collegians who had looked like winners but the banishment of Stirling their high-scoring centre, for four personal fouls took a lot of sting out of their attack and really paved the way for the Seniors' victory.

Lineups and scores:
P. W. C.: Smith 12, Morrow, MacKay, Johnson 7, Stirling 13, Cullen, Larter 4, Dewar—36.
Senior Y: Henry 12, Walker 6, Mullins 2, Lennox 2, Garnham 8, Young 2, Langille, Saunders 5—37.
Referee: Walker Goss.

Timer: Marj McLean.
Scorer: R. Farquharson.
In a hotly-contested girls game P. W. C. Co-eds flashing some great basketball defeated the hard-working Blue Dots 18-8. Francis Ayers, brilliant young centre of the winners, was high-scorer of the evening with 13 points to her credit.

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Bulletin

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