Habs Trounce Bruins 8-0; Moore Has Great Night

MONTREAL (CP) — Dickie Moore led the way with two goals and three assists Thursday night as Montreal Canadiens shellacked Boston Bruin 8-0 in a lopsided National Hockey League game.

Canadiens shutout gave their goalie Jacques Plante the league lead in shutouts with five, one more than Chicago's Glenn Hall. Plante now holds a one-goal lead over Hall in the fight for the Vezina Trophy, but has one more game to play.

Claude Provost and Bob Rousseau also scored twice for Canadiens, while rookie Bill McCreary and Bill Hicke each scored once.

Canadiens scores three times in the first period, twice in the second and three times in the third and had a wide edge in play throughout.

Moore was at his wily best, stickhandling and passing his way through the porous Boston defence. Centre Henri Richard earned three assists in a stand-out performance on Canadiens' first line with Provost and Moore.

The win moves Canadiens to within two points of second-place Toronto Maple Leafs Canadiens are four points behind first-place Chicago. The

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hapless Bruins remained mired in last place.

Canadiens laced 44 shots at Boston's rookie goalie Ed Johnston, while Plante kicked out 26 Boston drives to earn the shutout.

SUMMARY

First period: 1. Montreal, Rousseau 16 (Moore, J. C. Tremblay) 8:35; 2. Montreal, McCreary 2 11:05; 3. Montreal, Hicke 13 (Gauthier, Backstrom) 12:54. **Penalties**—Gendron and Fontinato 2:00, Talbot 9:25.

Second period: 4. Montreal, Provost 18 (Richard, Moore) 0:37; 5. Montreal, Moore 19 (Beliveau, Gauthier) 17:44. **Penalty**—Prentice 16:28.

Third period: 6. Montreal, Provost 19 (Richard, Moore) 5:30; 7. Montreal, Moore 20 (Richard, Provost) 7:25; 8. Montreal, Rousseau 17 (Gauthier, G. Tremblay) 15-44. **Penalties**—Green 5:48.

Saves:

Johnston	11	14	11—36
Plante	10	12	4—26

CURLING DRAW

The following is the curling draw for Friday at the Charlottetown Club. (Spares needed.)

6.30 P.M.

(Friday Knock-Out Finals)

Ice 1 — Dr. Kelly, R. MacKenzie, Dr. Jelks, I. MacKinnon vs. M. Jenkins, F. MacMillan, H. Love, B. MacLellan.

Ice 2 — H. Dobson, N. Ball, K. Cantwell, K Dalziel vs. E. Wood, D. Matheson, N. MacNeill, C. McLaren.

Ice 3 — H. Bartlett, C. Asprey, B. Cook, S. Simpson vs. H.R. Carruthers, A. Gill, H. Simpson, J. Weldon.

Ice 4 — F Acorn, W. Farrell, P. Borys, D. Wood vs. F.W. Curtis, E. McLeod, G. Lidstone, B. Crockett.

Ice 5 — D Cox, M. Kennedy, L. Bagnall, E. Thomson vs A. MacDonald, C. MacInnes, A. Garrett, H. Edwards.

8.30 P.M. (Mixed)

Ice 1 —

Ice 2 — J. Cooke vs. (Kays or Whitlock).

Ice 3 — B. Beer vs Dr. Gallant.

Ice 4 (Game 7).

Ice 5 — G. Stewart vs (Cameron or Taylor).

Pee Wee Abbies To Summerside

Saturday coach Ivan Doherty's Abbie Pee Wees meet at Sports Arena at 12.30 p.m. for the trip to Summerside Airport where they take on the Airport boys in the opening game of the home-and-home Pee Wee "A" provincial title series.

At 1.30 coach Bill Murphy's Abbie Paperweights meet at Sports Arena to travel to Summerside Airport where they open their Paperweight "A" home-and-home series with their Paperweight counterparts from the RCAF Station.

Sunny Isle Loop In Playoff Action

Sunny Isle Farm League playoff action at Saint Dunstan's Wednesday night saw West Royalty Bombers edge Tracadie 4-3 and Brackley trounce Southport 8-3.

L. Doiron triggered all four goals for West Royalty in the first game and scoring for Tracadie were M. Fitzpatrick, N. MacNally and P. Hughes.

Scoring for Brackley in the second contest were G. MacCallum 3, T. Davies 2, and L. MacFarlane, D. Hughes and O. Wood singletons.

Southport snipers were P. Kelly, M. MacDonald and G. Gaudet.

Seabrooks Win Finals Opener

Kensington Seabrooks edged New Annan Beavers 5-4 before a bumper crowd at the Kensington rink last night in the first game of a best of seven finals for the North Shore Hockey League crown.

Jim MacFarlane and Francis Moase paced the winners with a pair each, the other mark going to Don Thompson.

New Annan scorers were Jim MacKay 2, Lyall and B. Weeks.

Referees for the contest were Bill Smith and W. MacCarthy.

STANDINGS

National League

	W	L	T	A	Pt
Chicago	30	18	15	180	158
Toronto	32	21	9	201	164
Montreal	26	17	19	201	157
Detroit	26	23	13	167	171
New York	19	33	11	188	212
Boston	14	35	15	187	262

Bernie Geoffrion Draws 5-Game Suspension

By BRUCE STOVEL

MONTREAL (CP)—Montreal Canadiens Bernie Geoffrion was hit hard Thursday where it hurts the professional athlete the most—in the pocketbook.

The 32-year-old right winger was suspended for Canadiens' next five games by Clarence Campbell, president of the National Hockey League, for throwing his stick and gloves at referee Vern Buffey in Detroit Tuesday night.

Geoffrion loses his salary during the suspension period.

As he is one of the highest-paid player in the NHL, he will lose an estimated $1,500 in salary alone. He also draws a $100 bonus for each goal above 10 he scores this season.

Geoffrion also must pay the league the automatic $50 fine that goes along with a game misconduct penalty.

Geoffrion's outburst on the Montreal bench came late in the first period of the game, won 4-3 by Canadiens. Campbell, ironically, was a spectator.

Campbell said Thursday he had reached the decision after reading the reports of Buffey and the game linesmen, and after talking with Geoffrion earlier in the day.

Junior Saints Capture First Place In League

Junior Saints captured first place in the City Basketball League last night when they eked out a 49-40 victory over PWC Welshmen at Prince of Wales College.

With only one minute of play remaining in the game the score was deadlocked at 40-all but playing coach Len Sirois counted two foul shots for the margin of victory.

At half time the Malpeque Road students were leading 27-21 over their City rivals but in the final thirty minutes the Earl Nicholson coached Welshmen closed the gap only to see Sirois sink the two shots for the win.

Sirois was also top pointgetter in the game with 23 points. Teammate Corcoran came through with 19 points. Tops for the losers was Stan MacPherson with 14 points followed by Ron Diamond with 12.

This evening (Friday) at 7 o'clock Phalanx play host to BYC in the first game of a two-game total goal series to decide who wil occupy the fourth and final playoff spot.

Referees for last night's contest were George McGuigan and John Evans.

Here are the lineups:—

SAINTS:—Grant 4, Mullally 2, Chimery, Sirois 23, Corcoran 19, Buotte 10, Maddock 4, Turgeon, Perry. Total—62.

WELSHMEN: — Smith 9, Ladner 10, Dagg 6, Stanish 3, MacPherson 14, B. Diamond 12, Weale 4, R. Diamond, Ling, Huggan. Total—60.

Mutch, Taylor Top Marksmen

At the shoot conducted earlier by the Charlottetown Civilian Rifle Association on the RCMP Ranges, Al Mutch of Charlottetown, and Perley Taylor of Winsloe, both registered 98 out of a possible 100 points.

Following examination of the targets, the judges awarded first place to Mutch on the basis of his having seven of his 10 shots within the "X" ring against six for Taylor.

During the evening a start was made on the program of instructing shooters, particularly the new commers, in the finer points of target shooting, with not only the idea of improving the standard of indoor marksmanship but also that of the summer outdoor activities.

The first instruction consisted of a talk and demonstration by Ralph E. Jenkins on the proper use of the sling and the correct way in which to assume the most comfortable and effective prone position.

Following are the individual results:

A. Mutch	98
P. Taylor	98
T. Vesey	97
W. Curtis	96
R. Jenkins	95
R. Vessey	94
E. MacLean	92
L. Vessey	92
W. MacLean	91
S. MacLean	91
B. MacDonald	91
B. Oulton	91
B. MacDougall	91
D. Scales	91
E. Coles	90
D. Johnston	89
B. Bruce	89
P. Pitre	89
G. Lowther	87
L. Williams	87
E. Prowse	86
N. Stevenson	85
O. Curtis	83
A. Sentner	83
S. Green	82
L. Stevenson	82

Hawks Down Tartans 6-2

HALIFAX (CP) — Moncton Hawks took a commanding lead in the Nova Scotia Senior Hockey League finals with an easy 6-2 victory over Halifax Tartans before 4,500 fans here Thursday night.

Saturday Minor Hockey Schedule

Following are the various games scheduled for Minor Hockey Leagues at the Sports Arena, this Saturday:—

MIDGETS

7:00 — 7:45 Canucks vs Bruins.

7:45 — 8:30 Ramblers vs Darts.

BANTAMS

8:30 — 9:05 BHS Wrens vs QCHS Panthers.

9:05 — 10:35 Pickle-Spt. Bombers vs BHS Tigers.

10:35 — 11:10 QCHS Gulls vs Sherwood Condors.

11:10 — 11:45 BHS Hawks vs QCHS Owls.

PEE WEES

11:45 — 12:15 Pickle-Spt. Robins vs St. Jean Jays.

12:15 — 12:45 BHS Cranes vs Sp. Pk. Swallows.

PAPERWEIGHTS

12:45 — 1:15 St. Jean Snipes vs Sp. Pk. Bluebirds.

1:15 — 5:30 Larks vs Canadies (Exhibition).

5:30 — 6:00 St. Jean Budgies vs WKS Redwings.

6:00 — 6:30 PSS Tigers vs Sp. Pk. Jets.

6:30 — 7:00 St. Jean Otters vs WKS Colts.

PEE WEES

7:00 — 7:30 Pickle-St. Packers vs QCHS Foxes.

7:30 — 8:00 WKS Wolves vs BHS Lions.

8:30 — 10:00 Midget Abbies vs Visting Team (Exhib.).

10:00 — 11:00 Skate For All.

OFFICIALS

7:00 — 8:30 Knobby Walsh, Ray Profitt.

8:30 — 11:45 Bill Sherry, Dennis Flannagan.

11:45 — 1:15 Howard Murchison, Barry Turner.

5:00 — 7:00 Grant Crockett, Les Barnes.

7:00 — 8:00 Ron Carmichael, Brian McCormack.

8:30 — 10:00 Butch Ward, Carl McCallum.

Coach Ed Hilton reports that

Hawks' Margin Melts Away

CHICAGO Black Hawks have seen a huge first place margin melt all the way down to two points. And even that two points does not tell a true picture because second place Toronto Maple Leafs have one big game in hand and will get that one played this Saturday night at Maple Leaf Gardens.

If the Leafs conquer Sid Abel's Detroit Red Wings on this occasion, then they'll be in a flatfooted tie with the Windy City crew for the top rung of Clarence Campbell's ladder. The two frontrunners clash Sunday in Chicago with first place going to the victor.

NATURALLY Toronto supporters are thinking only of first place right now. Their favorites have been doing so nobly of late that they expect the great work to continue. It's fine if it does, but these Leafs have the strangest habit of losing the most unexpected tussles. This is one Saturday night they can't afford to do dropping a decision. They need these two points in their business if they have serious thoughts about first place.

However, this game with the Red Wings will be a bitter engagement. Remember last Saturday what happened to those Montreal Canadiens right in their own backyard? Those Detroiters crushed the Habs in drastic style and left Toe Blake and the rest of the Montrealers wondering what had hit them.

The Red Wings Are Tough

THE Leafs have had trouble with the Red Wings all season. When they did beat the Ablemen it was by the narrowest of margins. They have memories of that night last fall when the Motor City crew came into Toronto and swamped the homesters 7-3.

Punch Imlach knows well that the Red Wings can hurt you. However, he still is convinced his boys can go on and finish the regular schedule as front runner. But to do this, you can nearly expect the Leafs to enjoy another perfect weekend. That is they must beat Detroit Saturday night and follow that victory with a triumph in Chicago Sunday. That's a tall order to ask of any team. The law of averages should catch up with the Leafs one of these nights and they should lose a hockey game. Hawks and their supporters are hoping Sunday night is the night the law of averages starts working.

What is facing Chicago and Toronto next week?

There is no league action until Thursday night and then both Hawks and Leafs do battle. That night the Leafs definitely appear to have the tougher assignment as they tangle with the Canadiens in Montreal while Black Hawks visit the Bruins in Boston. But don't tell all this stage of the fight what team will prove the most troublesome. The Bruins might indeed rise up and blast Chicago the way the Rangers did Wednesday night.

After those Thursday skirmishes, the big affair is Saturday March 16 when Toronto plays host to Rudy Pilous' gang. This will be a huge four pointer and the teams should give a right rugged display in this engagement.

Canadiens Still There

But don't go counting Montreal Canadiens out of this first place fight just yet. Indeed the Habs could wind up as the leaders and either Chicago or Toronto may find itself in third place. It's not very likely that this will happen but you can't figure the Canadiens out of the first place race yet.

This Saturday the Montrealers host the Rangers and New York repays the compliment the next evening. If the Habs could trim Toronto on March 14 and then down Detroit on Saturday March 16, things would really be up for grabs. This is provided of course the Canadiens capture two wins from Rangers this coming weekend.

Game At Stadium

PRINCE County Combines entertain Sandy's Royals tonight at Civic Stadium in the second game of their best-of-seven finals for The Island Intermediate 'A' Hockey League.

The greatest crowd to witness a hockey game in years is expected to jam the Stadium for this most important contest.

Game time is set for 9.15.

HUNTERS' CORNER

Columnist Doesn't Agree With East Prince View

The annual report of East Prince Fish and Game Association, which appeared in the March 1. issue of The Guardian, came as a big surprise to this columnist. The statement by one of the longtime members of the East Prince Fish and Game Association that really surprised me was: "One of the biggest tourist attractions in the province is being grossly neglected, etc." He was referring to trout fishing conditions in the province. He said practically nothing is being done to correct this situation, except by the fish and game associations, which receive very little money and consequently cannot do the job properly. It is this