SPORTS FRONT

By NICK FILLMORE

Sawchuck - Great, But Lucky

LAST WEEK Gordie Howe played a terrific game against Toronto. He set up the winning goal as the Wings won it 4-3 and tied the final series at a game each. The following day, Toronto coach 'Punch' Imlach received at a personal but irritating phone call from a jubilant Wings fan. In a low, mocking tone, the caller simply said: "Gordie Howe. Gordie Howe. Gordie Howe." Mr. Imlach did not appreciate the gesture.

We wouldn't be a bit surprised if Imlach gets a call from the same fan today. This time however, the unidentified wise-guy would probably say: "Terry Sawchuck. Terry Sawchuck. Terry Sawchuck." That would be enough to send any coach off the deep end.

Horseshoes in his slip pocket, goalstick to hand, Sawchuck was too much for the Leafs. On more than 12 occasions, Leafs forwards blazed shots that seemed labelled goals. Of man Sawchuck however, holding down his position like the superreflexed Sawchuck of 10 years ago, beat the Leafs on 33 of 34 chances. Referee Udvari had to send two of Sawchuck's teammates to the sin bin before Toronto could score. And then they had to mob him.

Sawchuck's holding Toronto wasn't all skill though. They bit the Detroit post twice and Sawchuck stopped four or five drives that he still hasn't seen.

Look at the night Davie Keon had for example. The Leafs' centreman was in all alone on Sawchuck twice in the first period, three times in the second and twice again in the third period. Sawchuck stopped them all. On another great chance in the second period Keon missed the open corner by inches from 15 feet out. Mahovlich, Kelly and Pappin couldn't score on golden opportunities.

HOWE BREAKS THROUGH

Leafs Forgot To Be Rough

SO FAR in the finals series, Toronto haven't been the bad guys we expected they might be—With the opening of the playoffs critics from across the country expected they would try to rough-house their way to the championship. There has been no unusual roughness. In fact, the only Leaf who attempted to give out rugged body checks Tuesday night was Bobby Baun. He wasn't very successful.

Sawchuck was so spectacular, and lucky, that Johnny Bower didn't get the attention he deserved for a fine game. Three Wings had to pound away at him for almost 10 seconds in the first period before Howe banged the puck loose and into the open net. Midway in the period, he was partially screened by a Leaf defenceman when Joyal scored.

A big thorn in the Leafs' side all season Tuesday night was Norm Ullman. This time as a penalty killer not a goal scorer. With Detroit shorthanded twice early in the game Ullman cleared the puck time and time again to keep the so-called Leafs' "power play" from building any dirt. Howe as well, played a strong defensive game.

The biggest Leafs weakness, and probably the major fault with all NHL clubs this season, has been their inability to score with a man advantage. Six times Imlach put out his power play. Tuesday night six times it failed to score. They got their only goal with Detroit two men short. The power play failed to bring forth any results on two occasions.

One of the 'old men' of the Leafs, Red Kelly, came through with what could have turned into one of the key plays of the series in the final 18 seconds of the game when he won a faceoff from Billy Gadsby to the right of the Detroit net. Trailing by only one goal, the Leafs had pulled Bower in favor of an extra attacker. When Kelly got the draw he whipped the puck back to Rathgate. But Rathgate was in to much of a hurry and fired the puck at the feet of a Detroit defenceman. It was cleared and the Wings had won the all important fifth game.

Off The Cuff

JOHNNY MACMILLAN, one of the unsung heroes of the surprising Detroit Red Wings, was one of the happiest players in the dressing room after the Wings had won over the Leafs Tuesday night. Used chiefly as a penalty killer, Mac-Millan was sold by the Leafs to Detroit earlier this season, when farmed out by Toronto to the American League. Says MacMillan: "It felt good beating the Leafs. At least with this club you know you're going to play when they call you up. With the Leafs I never knew whether I was going to get on the ice".

ARNOLD PALMER has put his sights set on winning golf's grand slam; now that he has won the first of the four big ones, the Masters. The other three are the United States and British Opens and the Canadian PGA. The four major tourneys have never been won by a pro, but amateur BOB JONES won all three of the top events in 1930 . . . Looks like CHARLES FINLEY has become the new Bill Veeck of baseball. The Kansas owner seems to think the Yankees have been giving the rest of the American League a raw deal for years so he has been pulling every possible stunt to draw attention to the situation. He's also getting a lot of free publicity; which incidentally, might be the motive behind his program . . . DON HOWE, 28, former fullback of the English National soccer team, has been sold by West Bromwich Albion to Arsenal for $126,000. That's the highest price ever paid by an English club for a fullback . . . Nine home runs were hit in Tuesday's ball game at Chicago, which Pittsburgh Pirates won 8-5 . . . We have been impressed with the talks by JACQUES PLANTE every time he has appeared on the CBC hockey telecasts this year. Plante seems to know the forewards and defencemens' jobs just as well as he knows his own. He may make a good coach when his playing days are through . . . ALAIN CARON has been named All-Star rightwinger in the Central Professional League. Boston has been eyeing the former Amherst Rambler sharpshooter, and they may grab him in the next player draft.

Rifle Ass'n Holds Shoot

The following are the results of the rifle shoot held by the Charlottetown Civilian Rifle Association on Tuesday.

A. Mutch	97	R. Farquharson	91
P. Taylor	97		
D. Johnston	96		
R.E. Jenkins	95		
R. MacPhee	95		
S. MacDonald	95		
W. Birt	93		
T. Vessey	93		
Bruce Robertson	93		
F. Younker	92		
D. MacLean	91		

DISAPPEARING ACT

Willie McCovey, right, of the San Francisco Giants prepares to make a baseball (on rye) disappear as pitcher Bob Hendley watched the act at Milwaukee yesterday. McCovey lost 3 baseballs at County Stadium by home runs as the Giants beat the Braves 5-4. Hendley's first victory as a Giant, Hensley was traded to the Giants by the Braves last winter. (AP Wirephoto)

Athletic Dinner Tickets Are Being Snapped Up

The ticket sale for the Legion's 'Centennial Salute to Hockey', to take place Wednesday evening, May 6, at the Canadian Legion Home here, is slated to get underway this weekend.

There are only 300 seats available for this lavish function, and upwards of 50 of these have been snapped up before going on sale. This indicates that tickets may be at a premium for the $25-a-plate dinner which will be attended by the biggest array of sports celebrities ever to visit the Maritime Provinces.

Brigadier W.W. Reid, chairman of the dinner, said last night he has received definite confirmation from Danny Gallivan, of radio-TV fame, who will be master of ceremonies at the dinner; from Frank Selke Jr. of the Montreal Canadiens organization; also Jim Trimble, coach of the Montreal Alouettes; and Cooper Smeaton, former NHL referee-in-chief and now senior trustee of the Stanley Cup.

These four noted gentlemen will arrive in Charlottetown by air shortly before noon on May 6.

Brig. Reid said Jean Beliveau of the Canadiens, and 'Red' Kelly of the Leafs are almost certain to be here, but the local chairman was reluctant to move them into the 'sure' category until he has their final plans in black and white. And the same holds true for other top stars, like Bobby Hull, Gordie Howe, and Jacques Plante. But Forbes Kennedy, who has attained more success in professional hockey than any other Islander in history, will be there to represent the Boston Bruins.

Roger Dion, director of physical fitness for Canada, will be on hand, too, and it has been learned that Health Minister Judy LaMarsh will attend if she can arrange her schedule in time. Also on hand will be several notable sports figures from other parts of the Maritimes, including Earl Ross of Moncton and 'Ace' Foley of Halifax.

Possible Honor For Conn Smythe

DETROIT (CP)—It now appears certain Conn Smythe, one of the most respected men in National Hockey League history, will be honored by having a new trophy named after him.

But, rumors to the contrary, he must wait until the league's annual meeting June 8-11 in Montreal to have it made official.

A week ago league president Clarence Campbell announced he would propose at the meeting establishment of a trophy which would be presented to the outstanding player in the Stanley Cup final series.

However, he said the idea was in the formative stage with many details still to be ironed out. One thing was certain. The trophy would not be commercially sponsored and will carry a substantial cash award with it.

A few days later Smythe's son Stafford, president of the Toronto Maple Leafs, said he would definitely propose to the meeting that the trophy be named after his father.

He said: "I will put dad's name up and don't think there will be any difficulty. I'm sure other hockey men recognize what he has done for hockey and will be anxious to honor him in this way."

Earlier this week there was a rumor that the trophy had already been named after Smythe senior.

"That's untrue," said Campbell. "I have never even mentioned a name, officially, to anyone. When the league governors meet in Montreal I will propose the trophy then. It will be up to them to decide on whom to name it after. No doubt Smythe's name will be among those suggested. But no decision will be reached until that meeting."

Athletics Eliminate Monties

OTTAWA (CP) — Woodstock Athletics earned a berth in the Allan Cup finals Wednesday night with a well-earned 8-5 win over Ottawa Montagnards.

The victory was Woodstock's fourth in a row without a loss in the best-of-seven Eastern Canada hockey final.

The Ontario champions twice trailed by three goals in the game as Ottawa came up with its best performance of the series. But each time the Athletics came roaring back.

Veteran defenceman Jack MacIntyre was the scoring hero for Athletics. The former Boston Bruin fired two goals and assisted on two others in addition to playing a sound game at the blueline.

Ron Mason also fired two goals for the winners. Singles were added by playing coach Ted Power, Bob Robinson, Gerry Stringle and Ron Hergott.

Ottawa scorers were Claude Charron, Duane Beedle, Al Stitt, Andre Despard and Chester Koneczny.

Injuries Plague Detroit: Leafs Watch Ehman Score

By DAVE BETTS

DETROIT (CP) — The pain and torture of 100 games is beginning to take its toll as the two surviving National Hockey League teams prepare for the sixth game of the Stanley Cup final.

Manager-coach Sid Abel of Detroit Red Wings said Wednesday four or five of his regulars are suffering from assorted aches and bruises, but all are expected to be ready for tonight's game.

"I sure hope we end it tonight," said Abel, who was forced to use a total of 23 players to staff his 17-man team during the season. Only Andre Pronovost and Alex Delvecchio survived the 70-game schedule without an injury.

Toronto Maple Leafs will arrive here by train today without shifty Don McKenney, who remained in a Toronto hospital with torn ligaments in his right knee, suffered when he was checked by Al Lanolois in Tuesday's game. The Wings won to go ahead three games to two.

Detroit goalie Terry Sawchuk was the best of the Wings in their 2-1 win in the fifth game although he was suffering back pains as a result of sleeping on a hard mattress in Toronto.

PATTERN CONTINUES

The Detroit injury pattern continued. Defenceman Doug Barkley pulled a groin muscle and Larry Jeffrey suffered separated ribs. Ed Joyal, who scored the winner Tuesday on a 25-foot screened shot, had a touch of influenza.

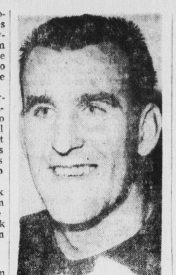
The Leafs practised in Toronto Wednesday and then watched film which showed they really tied Tuesday's game on a play that was whistled offside.

The film showed Gerry Ehman was onside in the second period when he took a pass at the Detroit blueline in the second period and scored on Sawchuk.

A slow-motion rerun of the play showed Ron Stewart was behind Ehman and did not have the puck when linesman George Hayes blew the play dead. The goal would have tied the game 1-1.

Manager-coach Punch Imlach Wednesday declined to comment on the play.

"What's the use of commenting," said Imlach. "That game is over and I'm only thinking about the one tomorrow night in Detroit."



GERRY EHMEN

Imlach said Ed Litzenberger, an ex-Leaf called up from the American Hockey League, will dress in place of McKenney tonight but they (the doctors) haven't told me for sure that McKenney won't be ready for Saturday's game."

Will there be a seventh game Saturday?

"Of course," said Imlach, coming about as close as he allows himself to making a prediction.

Neither team plans any lineup changes for tonight, but Imlach said he will alternate players in McKenney's left-wing spot with Dave Keon and George Armstrong.

League President Clarence Campbell brought the Stanley Cup to Detroit Wednesday after a two-year stay in Toronto. If the Wings 'can tonight, he'll lug it back Friday. It has not had a permanent resting place here since 1955.

Abel revealed that strategy which was worked out at a pre-game players' meeting Tuesday. It was decided that veterans like Gordie Howe, Delvecchio, Marcel Pronovost and Bill Gadsby were tiring too fast and that the 'kids' should be used more.

Dodgers Pitcher Injured

ST. LOUIS (AP)—Sandy Koufax, the strikeout ace of Los Angeles Dodgers, tore a muscle in his pitching arm during the first inning of Wednesday night's game against St. Louis and will have to undergo x-ray examination Thursday.

Koufax ran into difficulty in the first inning against the Cardinals when he uncorked a wild pitch third strike and eventually was tagged for a three-run homer by Charley James. At the end of the inning, Koufax left the game.

Dr. I. C. Middleman, Cardinal team physician, examined Koufax and reported he had an elbow inflamation and slight muscle tear in his left forearm. Dr. Middleman said the inflamation, on the inside of Koufax elbow, was called epicondylitis.

There was no immediate word on how long the 25-game winner and National League most valuable player might be out of the line-up. In 1962 Koufax missed half a season because of a circulatory ailment in a finger of his pitching hand, and the Dodgers went on to lose the pennant in a playoff with San Francisco.

BASEBALL SCORES

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

National League

Chicago at New York, ppd, rain
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, ppd, cold
San Fran. 015 010 010— 8 10 4
Milwaukee 210 001 101— 6 10 1
Hendley (1-1) Bolin (6), Shaw (9) and Crandall; Lemaster (1-1) Cloninger (3), Cebro (5), Hoeft (8), Smith (8) and Torre. HRs: SF—McCovey, 3 (4), Milwaukee, Torre, 2 (2).
Cincinnati 000 000 000— 0 5 0
Houston 010 000 01x— 2 7 2
Jay (1-1), Dickson (7) and Edwards; Bruce, Brown (1-0) (9) and Grote.

American League

Boston at Baltimore, ppd, rain
Washington 400 000 020— 6 10 1
Minnesota 130 002 01x— 7 8 1
Koplitz, Duckworth (6), Bridges (0-1) (8) and Leppert, Brumley (8); Kaat, Siebler (1), Perry (3), Dailey (8), Fischer (8), Pleis (2-0) (8), Arrigo (9) and Battey. HRs: Wash—Skowton (3). Min—Oliva (2), Rollins (1), Mincher (1).

PROBABLE PITCHERS

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

Probable pitchers for today's major league baseball games, won and lost records in parentheses:

National League

Chicago, Ellsworth (0-1) at New York, Stallard (0-1).
Pittsburgh, Gibbon (0-0) at Philadelphia, Mahaffey (0-0), (N).
Cincinnati, Maloney (1-1) at Houston, Brown (0-1), (N).
Los Angeles, Drysdale (0-1) at St. Louis, Broglio (1-1), (N).
Only games scheduled.

American League

Cleveland, Duncan (0-0), at Los Angeles, McBride (1-1), (N).
Boston, Lamabe (1-0) at Baltimore, Roberts (0-0), (N).
Washington, Cheney (0-0) at Minnesota, Stange (0-0).
Only games scheduled.

SPORT ECHOES

By Norman Macdonald
Summerside Bureau of The Guardian

The Three Stars

We hope Jim K kept his eye on Gordie Howe Tuesday night as we suggested before the game, but if he didn't, it's excusable. If Eddie Shack can't keep his eye on Howe, how can you expect one of the O'Leary Maroons to do so? It was a spine-tingling affair, and a lot of spectators, both at Maple Leaf Gardens and before their television sets, must have been almost as exhausted as the players. We don't want to take any credit away from those Red Wings, but the trio that contributed most to the humbling of he Leafs would have to be Terry Sawchuk, Gordie Howe, and Lady Luck. Sawchuk made some saves bordering on the miraculous, but can hardly be denied that lady luck kicked on a few too with her magic stopper. Leafs who seemed to be in good scoring trim, as fired the many shots wide of the net, but the relentless checking of the Red Wings could have had a lot to do with this erratic sniping.

To Throw Or Not To Throw

Jim Coleman who filled in the gaps between Bill Hewitt's play-by-play comments, blasted the Toronto fans who threw eggs and other commodities on the ice after the lone Toronto goal. Coleman said the Wings were hanging on the ropes at this stage, but the time necessary to clean up the ice gave them a welcome breather, and so the home fans were hurting the chances of their own team by such an idiotic method of celebrating the scoring of a goal. There certainly seems to be some truth in what Coleman said. But of course, if the fans really get organized for effective action in this business of throwing debris, anything can happen. For example, when the Red Wings seem fired out, a few Detroit fans, strategically placed, could throw eggs on the ice to give their own team a rest and Leaf fans could do the same when the Toronto team's tongues were hanging out. The best way to control this nonsense is the imposing of stiff fines, and a fairly alert detection system.

It's the kind of series that puts you out on a shaky limb every time you make a prediction. The two teams seem very evenly matched, and "breaks" play a larger role than usual. Of course, all out hustle seems to create "breaks" but no one can be sure which team is going to be "hustle hot" in any given game. However, most fans will now probably admit that the Wings seem to have the biggest edge that any team has enjoyed so far in the series. Winning the next two games will be quite a chore for the Toronto boys who are a bit inclined to blow hot and cold.

Ball Season Looming

Baseball and Softball talk should soon be going the rounds. The only whisper we've heard yet is that Jim Kenkins may organize a softball team in St. Eleanors this year. If Jim can gather two or three performers anywhere near his own ability, the club might be a real contender in a Prince County League.

Inter-Club Dart Action

The following are the results of the games played in the inter-club dart league last Thursday night.

Place 1 — Rod and Gun 4; RCAF (A) 1 — Sportsman 4; Sgts. Mess 3 - RCN (R) 2, Legion — Bye

FINAL STANDINGS

	W	L	Pts
Sportsman	32	39	104
Rod and Gun	49	4	98
Legion	47	43	94
RCAF (A)	45	45	90
Sgts. Mess	44	46	88
Bruce	40	50	80
RCN (R)	38	50	76

Tonight will be the first night of the semi-final play and the following is the schedule.

Series "A" Legion at Sportsmen; Sportsman at Legion; Legion at Sportsman (if necessary).

Series "B" RCAF (A) at Rod and Gun; Rod and Gun at RCAF (A); RCAF (A) at Rod and Gun, (if necessary)

Woman Driver Suffers Injury

IGNACE, Ont. (CP) — Anne Hall, one of Britain's top women drivers, suffered deep scalp lacerations today when the car she shared with her American navigator overturned during the 4,000-mile Cross-Canada Rally.

Mrs. Hall, mother of three, was taken to hospital at Dryden, 70 miles west of here.

Her navigator, Mrs. Jean Steagall of Merchantville, N.J., said Mrs. Hall was expected to be released from hospital Wednesday after being detained for overnight observation and x-rays.

Mrs. Steagall was driving when the car skidded on a patch of ice on highway 17 about 14 miles west of here. Ignace is about 150 miles north west of Port Arthur.

Mrs. Steagall said she had just taken over the wheel from her companion about 11:45 a.m. EST, seven hours after leaving Winnipeg for Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

"We rounded a turn, hit the icy patch and the back end swung around.

"We bounced off a bank, flipped and landed back on our wheels. There was some deep snow piled against the bank so it could have been worse."

The two were driving a Ford Falcon and were members of one of two factory teams entered by the Ford Motor Company of Canada. The car, though badly damaged, was still mobile. Mrs. Steagall said it would be withdrawn from the rally.

Harness Racing Double Winner

HALIFAX (CP) — Bill's Time owned by Harold Dalrymple of West Gore and driven by Gordon White, was the only double winner on the 10 dash harness racing card on the North Commons Track here Wednesday.

Single dashes went to Becky's Prince, Sunrise, Megas Adam, Lee Texas, Success Greg, Mona T., Sonnie Wickham and My Cleag. Fastest time for the three furlongs was 48 1-5 seconds by Becky's Prince in the sixth race.

Highest single pay was $22.50 on Lee Texas in the seventh. Mona T. paid $21.20 in the 8th and Bill's Time $11.00 in the 9th

The TREMTONES
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