

Canadiens Will Have To Earn Goals Says Watson

By BEN OLAN
NEW YORK (AP) — New York Ranger coach Phil Watson laughed and looked dejected all in a matter of seconds while summarizing his team's Stanley Cup playoff chances in three short takes.

"Gee, I wish we could get those elephants and clovas out of the garden.

"Montreal has a whale of a club. Our chances aren't too good.

"Those guys are going to have to earn every goal they get. We're not going to give anything away."

Watson made his remarks a little more than 24 hours before the fourth-place Rangers are scheduled to take the ice against the second-place Canadiens in the opener of the best-of-seven semi-final.

CIRCUS IN GARDEN
The first two Ranger-Canadiens games will occupy the arena starting April 1, the teams will switch to Montreal's forum for the remainder of the set.

"It's not going to be easy," said Watson. "Even if we win the two games at home our past record in Montreal means we'll be in for a rough time out there."

New York bookmakers agree with Watson's estimate. They favor Montreal 5-to-1 favorites to win the series.

In the last four years, covering 31 games including playoffs, the Rangers have won only three games on the Montreal rink. This year, the Rangers hold a 4-2-1 edge against the Frenchmen in the Garden and trail 1-6 at the Forum. Still, Watson believes his club is better off than it was in the 1935-1936 season when it lost four out of five to Montreal in the semi-finals.

"READY TO GO"
"We're rested and ready to go. We're confident, too. I think we've got a better club than last year and Montreal is a little weaker."

"I'll admit, they have a better team than we have. But anything can happen in a short series.

"Our key man is (goalie) Gump Worsley. He's hot and makes some sensational saves, then watch us go."

The Rangers will be at full strength for tonight's game. Larry Popein, who suffered a lacerated cheekbone in a game against Chicago Black Hawks Sunday night, made a quick recovery and he'll center the Andy Bathgate - Dean Prentice line.

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Flyers & BYC At Arena Tonight

After a long layoff due to Parkdale's playoff series with Fredericton Capitals, the Island Senior B semi-finals swing back into action at the Sports Arena tonight with the Flyers taking on Basiliuca Youth Club.

The Flyers now lead the series 2-1 and need 2 more wins to go into the finals against the winner of the Summerside Montague series, but they will have a job on their hands taking a win tonight with coach Allie Carver on the sidelines with a broken wrist. Carver snapped his wrist in last Tuesday's game at Fredericton and it is not known when he will be able to return to action.

The Flyers won the opening series game in a bit of a walk but the next two tussles were terrific battles down to the wire. The youth club won the second game 4-2 on the strength of a great finish and the Flyers came back to take a 6-5 overtime victory in the third outing.

The youth club will be at full strength tonight with no injuries reported.

Because of the large crowd expected a pre-game sale of tickets will be held at the Arena office. Fans can pick up their tickets any time during the day.

Game time tonight is 8:30 sharp. Likely lineups:

Parkdale-Goal: Roper; Defence: A. MacLeod, Josey, Wood; Forwards: O. Carver, S. Carver, Hurry, Ready, J. MacLeod, Dunn.

B.Y.C.-Goal: Doyle; Defence: J. Ready, Perry, F. Shepherd, Mullins; Forwards: Whitlock, P. Sheppard, J. Sheppard, Burke.

Happy Day Quits Toronto

TORONTO (CP) — Clarence (Hap) Day, general manager of Toronto Maple Leafs, Monday ended his 30-year career with the National Hockey League club in a move that was his answer to a public rebuke for the team's failure this season.

In a two-minute conference with Conn Smythe, president and managing director of Maple Leaf Gardens, the 56-year-old Day announced simply that he was "not available" next year.

His action severing all connections with the team terminated a career that started in 1927, and which saw the Maple Leafs win one Stanley Cup while he was a defenceman, five when he was coach and one while he was assistant manager.

The abrupt end followed a week of speculation by the public and denials by Smythe that a major shake-up in the Leafs' organization was imminent because the team failed to make the NHL playoffs this year.

Day's move came only a few hours after another longtime Leaf, Jimmy Thomson, this year's captain and secretary of the NHL Players' Association, announced that he would never again play with the Toronto club. The 30-year-old defenceman said he would re-

fuse any offer of a contract with the Leafs next year because his loyalty to the team had been questioned.

Day refused to comment on his resignation, and Smythe said it was a "grave disappointment" to him. Smythe said he didn't know who Day's successor would be.

Only eight days ago in New York, Smythe had publicly rebuked Day, coach Howie Meeker and Thomson at a press conference.

He described this season, which ended with Leafs finishing in fifth place, as a "year of failure" and listed his general manager and coach as among the main factors that had influenced the club's fortunes.

Thomson, a 12-year Leaf veteran and one of the founders of the players association, was said by Smythe to have influenced young players on the team "to join an association that has no specific plans to benefit or improve hockey."

Amherst Wins Opener From West Prince All-Stars 13-2

AMHERST (CP) — Amherst St. Pats whipped Alberton All-Stars 13-2 here Monday night in the opener of a two-game total goal Maritime intermediate semi-final hockey series.

Doing more than his share was Amherst's Gerry Boss who drove home a phenomenal seven goals. The second game is scheduled for tonight in Alberton.

The first period ended in a 1-1 tie. The visitors stepped ahead early in the second period but then Amherst put on the pressure and turned it into a rout.

Other Amherst marksmen were Kiley with two, Malby, McAskill, Gouthreau and Legere with singles.

Scorers for Alberton were McRae and Nicholson.

PAKISTAN CELEBRATES

KARACHI, Pakistan (Reuters) — Jet fighters roared over a military parade Saturday on the first anniversary of Pakistan's establishment as a republic within the Commonwealth. President Iskander Mirza said Pakistan's military potential has grown in the last year and "we are confident today of beating back any aggression."

OLD SETTLEMENT

St. Augustine in Florida was settled in 1565 by Spaniards who came from Mexico.

Coach Blake Whips Canucks Through 45-Minute Workout

MONTREAL (CP) — Coach Toe Blake whipped his Montreal Canadiens through a brisk 45-minute drill at passing and shooting Monday in preparation for the Stanley Cup semi-final series against New York Rangers.

Defenceman Doug Harvey was the only absentee. He was given a rest because of a pulled leg muscle and watched the workout from the sidelines.

The team will meet the Rangers in Madison Square Garden Tuesday and Thursday. The remainder of the best-of-seven series will be played in Montreal.

"We are going after the first game," said Blake emphatically.

"The Rangers are going to be tough and we want to get the jump on them right in New York. I'm not making any forecasts about the series. I'm concerned right now with that first game."

Blake snorted when he was reminded of a statement by coach Phil Watson of Rangers in New York last week that the Blueshirts should be 5-1 underdogs against Canadiens.

Juvenile Abbies To Start NB-PEI Playoffs Wed.

Charlottetown Juvenile Abbies hit the playoff trail Wednesday when they leave by car for Campbellton to play the juveniles of that Northern New Brunswick town for the N.B.-P.E.I. championship.

The series will be a home and home, total-goal affair with the second game slated for the Sports Arena Saturday night.

Tonight the Abbies will hold an important workout at the Arena until 7 p.m. All players wishing to make the trip will have to put in an appearance there tonight. Coach Norman Larier is looking for a full turnout.

Red Wings Look To Howe And Ted Lindsay As Cup Hopes

By DAVID DILES
DETROIT (AP) — The greatest one - two scoring combination in National Hockey League history will shoulder Detroit Red Wings hopes in the club's 27th Stanley Cup series, beginning here Tuesday night against Boston Bruins.

Gordie Howe and Ted Lindsay, the old pros of the title-winning Red Wings, ran away with the 1957 scoring race. Their combined 174 points is the highest total ever amassed in a single season by two players on the same club.

The two finished one-two in the NHL scoring. Howe finished first place with 89 points and Lindsay, 13-year-veteran of NHL wars, edging Montreal's Jean Beliveau for second place with 85.

For Howe, it marks the fifth time he has won the title, and in his 11 seasons in the top ten in scoring eight times. Lindsay, who has been the league's leading scorer only once, nevertheless has been in the top 10 eight times in his 13 seasons.

Starter Shoots Self In Hand

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — It had to happen sometime! Track judge Osvaldo Goncalves was preparing to start a 400-metre race Sunday. He lined up the trackmen and readied his gun. Just before he raised his hand, the gun discharged and he shot himself in his left hand.

Goncalves went to the hospital and the trackmen were given the go-ahead by another judge and another gun.

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Yankee Transfusion May Lift K. C. Athletics Out of Cellar

By JACK HAND
WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The latest transfusion of Yankee blood may be enough to lift Kansas City Athletics out of the American League cellar.

With Tom Morgan, Rip Coleman, Billy Hunter, Irv Noren, Milt Graff, Bob Cerv and Maury McDermott on the roster, the Athletics now have 12 men who once wore the Yankee or a New York farm club uniform.

Although some called Kansas City a "Yankee Farm club" after their most recent deal, manager Lou Boudreau bristles at the suggestion. "All the other clubs were approached with the same men (Art Ditmar and Bobby Shantz) but not many clubs can give you as much as the Yankees," said Boudreau. "even if it turns out to help the champions, it was a good deal because it will help us even more."

"I think we can finish sixth and maybe as high as fifth if somebody up front stumbles," Boudreau says. "We have a stronger lineup on paper. Now I can make a move at shortstop, outfield or pitching without hurting myself."

IMPROVED PITCHING
"If we get phenomenal years out of four fellows we can climb up higher than you think."

Boudreau counts on improved pitching as his most important new asset, plus depth in infield and outfield. He acknowledges weakness in defence and lack of speed in the outfield.

The Athletics flopped badly last season to finish eighth, 45 games back.

In addition to the deal with the Yankees, the Athletics obtained Virgil Trucks, Ned Garver and Gene Host from Detroit and drafted Eddie Blake from Toronto where he had a 17-11 record.

The Athletics got a tough break when Harry Simpson (.293), the club's top power with 21 homers and 105 runs batted in, pulled a tendon in an ankle recently. He will be out of action until next month and may miss the opener. As Simpson is the only solid left-handed hitting regular, his absence would mean a steady diet of righthanded pitching by the opposition.

CURLING

CHARLOTTETOWN
6:45 p.m. Presidents Round Robin.
Ice 1 — R. Spillet vs. E. Tanton
Ice 2 — A.W. Hyndman vs. H.R. Carruthers.
Ice 3 — F. Curtis vs. Hon. T.W.L. Prowse.
Ice 4 — W.R. Jenkins vs. R. Manning.
8:30 p.m. Delayed games in Vice Presidents
Ice 1 — Section A — Dr. W. MacDonald vs. F. Hansen.
Ice 2 — section B. Had MacInnis vs. Doug Saunders.
Ice 3 — Section B. Myron Bell vs. E. MacInnis.
Ice 4 — Section Dr. Giddings vs. Doug Cameron.

Ch'Town Bowlers To Compete In Maritime Play

Keefe Drug bowling team will be competing for the Maritime 5-pin bowling title in the Maritime championships scheduled for Halifax on April 5 and 6. The team, which won the crown in 1954 and 1955, will leave on April 4. A Summerside team is the defending champion.

Members of the Keefe Drug team are George Kays, Vic Williams, Roy MacDonald, Gordon Gallant, Donald MacDonald, Phil Perry and Ding Johnston.

The Maritime tournament was started in 1954 at Charlottetown. Seaman's Beverage Trophy goes to the winner.

Vics And Royals Play 3-3 Draw

Last evening at Sports Arena Middle Vics and Royals battled it out play for play as they turned in an exciting game which ended in a 3 all score. Marksmen for Vics were Lefty Dunn and Mike O'Brien (2); Royals were scored by Fred Burke, Fred Gauthier and L. Robertson.

The game was handled very efficiently by Carl (Snowball) McCallum.

IN THIS CORNER Playoffs Resume Tonight

THE BLISTERING playoff series between Parkdale Flyers and Basiliuca Youth Club continues tonight at the Sports Arena after nearly a two-week layoff while the Flyers were battling Fredericton Capitals in a Maritime playoff series. This Parkdale youth club tussle is the right one down to the wire before a winner is decided, although a Parkdale victory tonight would go a long way in seeing the Flyers safely to the finals against either Summerside or Primrose.

THE SERIES now stands at 2-1 for Parkdale, in case you have forgotten. The series, with the exception of the first game won by the Flyers in a romp, has been as close as a playoff can get. B.Y.C. won the second game 2-1 in a hair-raising finish and the Flyers came back in the next game to win 6-5 in a hard-fought overtime battle.

AS THIS IS being written we were not certain of the status of Parkdale coach Allie Carver. Allie broke his wrist in the last Tuesday's game at Fredericton and if he is out of the lineup for this Island series then Parkdale will have a real job cut out in beating the youth club without him. Versatile Kip Ready will likely be moved up to a forward post to fill the gap.

IT HAS BEEN such a seemingly long time since the last game that local fans may forget to some extent the terrific competition being dished up by the two clubs. In spite of this we are looking for an overflow crowd tonight and you can get your tickets early any time today at the Arena office.

TOMORROW NIGHT the scene switches to the Montague Summerside series which has also turned into a close-fought battle. Primroses were all but counted out when the Aces won the first two games with-out a beating, but Montague came off the floor after that to win three straight, the last victory a 3-2 squeaker. This "B" series had been a rather lousy played affair up to Friday night. But one after that game reports out of the Western Capital have it that both teams

Successful Skate Held Last Night At Sports Arena

Last night approximately 500 happy skaters enjoyed a real evening's pleasure as they skated to the strains of excellent music played by the ever-popular Recce Band under the personal direction of Bandmaster W.D. Charles MacGregor. All who attended were loud in their praise of the selection of fine skating tunes rendered by the Band and the splendid sheet of ice provided by Sports Arena officials.

The skate was sponsored by the Men's Association of the P.E.I. Hospital as the first of their projects to assist that Institution, and the Committee in charge were more than pleased and encouraged by the co-operation of the Sports Arena, the P.E.I. Regt. (17 Recce) Band and by the large number of skaters who were on hand to make the success of the evening complete. One of the pleasing features of last evening's skate was to see the goodly number of experienced or older skaters smile as they glided around the ice surface to the strains of many old favourites of bygone days.

Royals Drub Rangers 12-3

In the first game of "A" series in the South Shore hockey League, Freetown Royals swamped Lot 16 Rangers 12-3 in a cleanly played game on a good sheet of ice. The Freetown team was led by victory by G. Reeves, D. Roberts and L. Reeves with three goals each and W. Campbell, Z. Roberts and R. MacMurdo with one each. J. Gorill, W. Yeo and E. Campbell scored one each for Lot. 16.

Can He Win Race Without Trunks?

LONDON (AP) — Can a swimmer be declared the winner of a race if he loses his trunks and finishes in the nude?

The Amateur Swimming Association will consider the wighty question at a meeting Saturday.

The Northumberland and Durham branch of the association can hardly wait to get the official decision because that is exactly what happened to a young boy recently in Newcastle.

The youngster finished first but some people maintained that despite the embarrassment, losing your trunks has its advantages—you can swim faster without them.

Crapaud Team Wins Trophy

The Crapaud team last night defeated Tryon 5-2 in a hockey game at Crapaud rink, winning the Frank Myers trophy. The trophy was presented after the game.

There was no scoring in the first period. McInnis opened the scoring for Crapaud with assists from Chandler and MacDonald. Gillis replied for Tryon and then Chandler, Stewart, MacDonald and Delaney scored in turn for the winners before Tryon got into the scoring column again when Delaney found the range. McInnis ended the scoring with a goal for Crapaud.

Intermediate "C" Game At Stadium

Hockey fans would see a rousing hockey battle tonight at Civic Stadium in Summerside when the R.C.A.F. team play Morell in the final game for the Prince Edward Island Intermediate "C" Championship. Cavendish and the Flyers put up a good game in the semi-finals last week, and the Morell team should be tough to beat out for the title.

Cavendish Beats Springfield 9-5

The first game of the finals of the Farmers' League between Cavendish and Springfield ended 9-5, for Cavendish. Goals scored for Cavendish were B. MacKay (2); F. Doughart (2); E. Dunning (2); V. Simpson (2); and O. Houston one, scoring for Springfield were E. Sinclair (2); and B. Thibault, W. Harding and E. Mann one each.

MINOR HOCKEY

There will be no further skates this season for the Notre Dame Girls due to the warm weather now being experienced. Today's program at Arena.

Fee Wees:
4:00 - 4:30 P.S.S. Hornets vs. Q.S.S. Rangers (Sudden death)
4:30 - 5:00 Fee Wees - Springers vs. Q.S.S. Canadians (Sudden death).
6:00 - 7:00 Last Juvenile workout prior to first game of N.B.-P.E.I. Playoffs, Wednesday at Campbellton.

Yvon Durelle Stops Floyd

NEW YORK AP — Yvon Durelle, Canadian light-heavyweight champion, Monday night stopped Clarence Floyd of New York in the seventh round to win a scheduled 10-rounder by technical knockout.

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