

Islanders, Saints At Full Strength For Crucial Playoff Game Tonight

The second game of the semi-final series between the Islanders and the Halifax Saints will be played here tonight with both teams at full strength for the important contest.

Coaches Leo Lamoureux and Wilf Field reported that their charges came through Monday night's opening game without any injuries. "Bucko" Trainer was struck on the ankle by a puck in the second period of the game but is quite fit to play. "Buck" Whitlock, who had been suffering from a slight touch

of the flu, was feeling better yesterday.

Both teams had light skating drills yesterday and winger Billy Ford of the Santamarians was struck on the ear by a flying puck. Five stitches were required to close the gash.

Tonight's game is expected to be the hardest fought contest of the season. The Islanders trail the Saints by one game in the big series and need the win on their home ice before they move into Halifax on Thursday for a two-game stand.

Canadiens, Red Wings Win Semi-finals Opener

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FORUM, Montreal, March 25 — (CP)—Maurice Richard went on the romp in old-time form tonight and his two goals led Montreal Canadiens to a 5-1 squelching of Boston Bruins in the opening game of their Stanley Cup semi-final.

Except for the first period, the Bruins were seldom serious in the picture. But Canadiens struck hard and often enough to supply thrills for the home town crowd of 14,357.

Rookie Dickie Moore, Billy Reay and Floyd Curry added to the Rocket's pair of goals. Pentti Lund scored the Bruins' only goal and it was Lund's first goal of the season. He was out of action for a long time following an eye injury.

Canadiens showed more offensive play from the start, the Bruins seeming willing to play it close and wait for the breaks but when they found themselves down two goals they were forced to open up more consistently. Then they found the Montreal defence tough to crack.

newed their time-honored bitter battles for league honors.

It was the first shutout scored by either team in their 15 meetings this season.

The hockey seemed almost a sideline to the fistcuffs as some 14,316 fans saw the Wings, league champions, take on the defending Stanley Cup holders.

Hard-hitting Len (Red) Kelly put Detroit ahead 1-0 in the opening period as he maneuvered through the Leaf defence and beat goalkeeper Al Rollins cleanly at 13:35.

After a scoreless second period, the Wings made it 2-0 at 2:19 of the final stanza when Sid Abel poked home the rebound of Gordie Howe's long shot. John Wilson added the clincher at 14:21 on a break-away play that caught Rollins out of position.

SUMMARY
First Period
1—Montreal, Richard (Lach) 5:45
Penalties: Kyle 7:49, Curry 15:12.
Second Period
2—Montreal, Moore (Richard) 0:30
3—Boston, Lund (Sandford) 6:27
4—Montreal, Richard (Moore) 14:16
Penalties: None.
Third Period
5—Montreal, Reay 3:09
6—Montreal, Curry (Harvey) 19:24
Penalty: St. Laurent 13:40.
Stops:
Henry 5 11 11—27
McNeil 11 6 5—22

SUMMARY
First Period
1—Detroit, Kelly 12:37
Penalties — Morton 2:02, Gardner 5:27, Flaman 9:57, Goldham 9:57, Leswick 12:12, Sloan 12:57, Delvecchio 15:02.
Second Period
Scoring — None.
Penalties — Skov 1:12, Watson 4:09, Flaman 7:57, Leswick 11:01, Flaman 11:56, Flaman (two minors) 14:20, Skov 14:20, Meeker (major) 14:40, Wilson (major) 14:40, Reise (minor, major and 10-minute misconduct) 15:07, Thomson (major and 10-minute misconduct) 15:07.
Third Period
2—Detroit, Abel (Howe, Lindholm) 2:50
3—Detroit, Wilson (Prystal, Wolf) 14:21
Penalties—Bollon 2:5-7:12, Thomson (game misconduct) 7:12, Meeker 7:12, Reise (game misconduct) 7:12, Abel (two minors) 7:12.
Stops:
Rollins 10 8 3—21
Sawchuk 10 10 6—26

DETROIT 3, TORONTO 0
DETROIT, March 25 — (CP)—Detroit Red Wings out-toughed and out-scored Toronto Maple Leafs 3-0 tonight in a bruising Stanley Cup playoff game that set a record for penalties.

The victory sent Detroit into a one-game lead in the best-of-seven cup semi-finals.

Twenty-nine penalties, including four majors and four misconducts, were called as the old rivals re-

The Bradalbane Royals won the Merchants League Trophy Monday night by defeating the Graham's Road Monarchs at the Kensington rink by a score of 2-1. The Royals won the first game of the series Thursday night by a 5-2 count. The Graham's Road boys drew up on even terms by winning the second contest Saturday, 5-4.

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The fate of the 1952 edition of the Islanders hangs in the balance tonight as they take on the Halifax Saints in the second game of their semi-final series. Set back on their heels Monday night by the Santamarians' 2-1 win the Islanders know that they must go into tonight's contest with a win-or-else determination. It wouldn't be the first time they have faced a similar proposition and using the past results as a criterion then they should come out on top tonight.

But in order to win tonight the Islanders must show a reversal of their opening night form. For the first period they looked like the Islanders of two weeks ago when they won seven, tied two and lost one in eleven days. In the last two periods, however, they appeared to forget that it was play-off hockey and although they worked hard they didn't show the necessary skating ability or the pep to whip the Saints.



Sandy's Ramblers are shown above just after they had won the Queens County Intermediate C Hockey title and the Lewis Bros. Trophy last week at the Forum. The Ramblers won the Trophy by defeating the Covehead team 4-3 in the third game of the best out of three series. Holding the trophy is "Sandy" Saunders, the sponsor of the team. This week the Ramblers will meet the Mount Pleasant Bombers in the first game of the Queens-Prince Intermediate C finals.

Provincial Ice Meet Scheduled Here Friday

Last evening Physical Fitness officials announced that the 7th annual Provincial Interscholastic skating championships will be staged by the Department this Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the Forum. Two hundred and sixty-one boys and girls coming from Souris to Tignish will battle it out for supremacy in their various classes and parents and fans can rest assured of a real evening's entertainment with close finishes topped off by skating for all to the accompaniment of the P.E.I. Reg'l. (17th Recce) Band under the baton of Bandmaster Tom MacFarlane.

Lumber Kings In 8-1 Victory Over Saint F. X.

PEMBROKE, Ont. March 25 — (CP)—Pembroke Lumber Kings tonight trounced St. Francis Xavier University 8-1 to take a commanding lead in the eastern quarter-finals of the Allan Cup hockey playdowns.

The victory gave Lumber Kings a 2-0 lead in games in the best-of-five series with one game tied.

Kings won the first game at New Glasgow, N.S. by a 4-3 score. The tie resulted when the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association ruled out a goal Kings scored in the second overtime period of the second game.

Kelly's Cross, Green Road Series Tied

Last night in Victoria rink the Kelly's Cross Red Wings and the Green Road Meteors battled to a 2-2 tie in the fourth game of the best of five playoff series. The teams are tied, each having won one game, with two tied.

The deciding game is scheduled to be played shortly.

Lumber Kings ran it to 8-0 before Johnny Markie took a double relay from Paul MacDonald and Howie Gardiner to beat Fred Murphy in Pembroke nets at 13:23 of the final period.

Veteran Hub Anslow paced the Lumber Kings with a goal each period. Roy Giesbrecht, one of three brothers on the Pembroke squad, scored in the first and second periods.

Bert Giesbrecht, Johnny Inglis and Jack Carthy accounted for the other Pembroke goals.

Clamp Local Tax On N. Y. Tracks

NEW YORK, March 25 — (AP)—The city council today approved a law placing a 15-per-cent local tax on general admission tickets to New York City's race tracks.

The tax is expected to yield about \$750,000 a year. It is part of Mayor Vincent R. Impellitteri's program to raise an additional \$24,830,000 a year in revenue.

Racetracks in New York City are Jamaica, Belmont and Aqueduct, all in Queens.

Jamaica's spring meeting opens next Tuesday.

Exhibition Baseball

(By The Associated Press)

At Miami:
Philadelphia (A) 5 16 1
Brooklyn (N) 9 9 2
Schantz, Hopper (5) Burtschy (8) and Astroth; Roe, Loes (7) and Campanella, Walker (6).

At Burbank, Calif.:
Pittsburgh (N) 2 6 1
St. Louis (A) 6 7 2
Litt, Kline (3) Wilks (7) and Fitzgerald; Cain, Paige (6) and Courtney.

At Tucson, Ariz.:
Chicago (A) 5 8 1
Cleveland (A) 7 9 1
Holcombe, Judson (7) and Lollar, Porter (7); Wynn, Chakales (7) and Troupe.
New York (A) vs. Cincinnati (N) at St. Petersburg cancelled, rain.
St. Louis (N) vs. Boston (N) at Bradenton cancelled, rain.
Boston (A) vs. Detroit (A) at Lakeland, cancelled, rain.
Philadelphia (N) vs. Washington (A) at Orlando, cancelled, rain.

At Phoenix, Ariz.:
Chicago (N) 6 12 0
New York (N) 7 14 1
Minner, Ramsdell (7) Hatten (8) and Atwell, Edwards (7); Lanier, Jones (6), Bamberger (8) and Westrum.

At San Bernardino:
Seattle (PCL) 1 6 1
Pittsburgh (BY) (N) 2 3 1
Schantz and Wilson; Muir, Lapsalmie (6) and McCullough.

Hockey Scores

OHA Senior A Finals
Owen Sound 1 Stratford 4 (overtime).
(Stratford wins best-of-seven series 4-3).

Memorial Cup
Quebec Junior Finals
Montreal 2 Quebec 5.
(Quebec leads best-of-seven series 2-1).
Allan Cup (Eastern Quarter final)
St. Francis Xavier 1 Pembroke 8.
(Pembroke leads best-of-five series 2-0, one game tied).

Eastern Hockey League
Johnstown 6 Springfield 1.
First game of best-of-seven series.

CHICAGO, March 25 — (AP)—More than 900 exhibitors from 34 states, Britain and Canada will display 1,370 dogs, a record entry, in the International Kennel Club's all-breed dog show at the International Amphitheatre Saturday and Sunday.

American League
Pittsburgh 1 Hershey 3.
Pittsburgh leads best-of-seven series 3-1).
Cleveland 0 Providence 4.
(Best-of-five series tied 2-2).

Opposes Permanent Stadium For Games

VANCOUVER, March 25 — (CP)—The president of the University of British Columbia indicated today he is not agreeable to having a permanent 40,000-seat stadium built for the 1954 British Empire Games on university grounds.

Dr. N. A. M. Mackenzie said the university is agreeable only to a temporary structure and not the \$600,000 stadium proposed by the British Empire Games committee.

"We simply have not the available space," Dr. Mackenzie said.

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Chuck Davey Faces First Big Test Tonight

CHICAGO, March 25 — (CP)—Chuck Davey, the unmarked, undefeated welterweight who has been brought slowly up the professional fight ladder to a main event payoff, will face Ike Williams tomorrow night in the first big test of his career.

The scheduled 10-rounder in Chicago Stadium will be televised.

Williams, the battle-hardened, former lightweight champion whose total of 148 pro bouts is the most of any active fighter, is regarded a 7-5 favorite in Chicago. But in New York Davey was being quoted as a 9-5 choice.

Davey, a southpaw from Lansing, Mich., is a graduate of Michigan State with a Masters Degree in Education Administration. He has never been smashed around or cut up in his fighting career which includes more than 150 amateur scraps.

The 26-year-old Davey has won 30 bouts and fought to one draw since turning pro. He has scored 21 knockouts.

He has been urged by friends to quit the ring, but he has always wanted a shot at the big boys.

So tomorrow night he puts his record on the line against the man who broke Johnny Bratton's

Rookie Pitcher Seriously Injured

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. March 25 — (AP) — Bob Slaybaugh, 20-year-old rookie pitcher of St. Louis Cardinals, spent a comfortable night in hospital but it will not be known for several days whether he will regain the sight of his left eye.

Slaybaugh was struck on the left side of the face by a batted ball while pitching in batting practice Monday. His left cheek bone was shattered and a delicate operation was performed by two specialists in an effort to save the left eye.

Calls Financial Situation Of Beavers "Desperate"

SAINT JOHN, N. B., March 25 — (CP)—The possibility of Saint John Beavers folding without completing the playoffs, is far from remote a spokesman for the "keep the Beavers in Saint John" citizens' committee said tonight.

He described the Maritime Major Hockey League club's financial situation as "desperate", and said the club might not operate after this week.

The unexpectedly low attendance at the opening game of the semi-final series with Glace Bay Monday night was a further blow to the committee, which had hoped playoff gates would meet current expenses.

Although there were more than 2,700 fans in the rink, the actual paid attendance was under 2,300 it was pointed out.

The committee now feels it is up to the fans if the team is to continue. An urgent appeal is being made for additional funds.

"Not less than \$5,000, over and above gate receipts, is needed before this week-end," it was said. "If this amount is not forthcoming in the way of donations, the club may cease operations."

Cape Traverse Ties South Shore Series

The Cape Traverse Rovers tied the final series for the South Shore League championship at Beauséjour last night by defeating the Freetown Royals 9-5. This was the second straight victory for the Cape team, after the Freetown aggregation had taken the two first games.

SUMMARY
First Period
1—Freetown, Taylor (C. Mills)
2—Cape Traverse, G. MacFadyen (Howatt).
Penalties: Taylor.
Second Period
3—Cape Traverse, MacFarlane (Muttart).
4—Cape Traverse, Howatt (G. MacFadyen).
5—Cape Traverse, W. MacFadyen (Howatt, MacFarlane).
6—Freetown, Taylor.
7—Cape Traverse, MacFarlane (Cutcliffe).
8—Freetown, Smith (D. Roberts).
Penalties: F. Gardiner.
Third Period
9—Freetown, Delaney (Taylor).
10—Cape Traverse, MacFarlane.
11—Cape Traverse, Muttart.
12—Cape Traverse, MacFarlane (G. MacFadyen).
13—Cape Traverse, Ferguson.
14—Freetown, C. Mill (Delaney).
Penalties: Waugh, Delaney.
Referees: Gordie Kelly and Doug Crossman.

Talk Of New Hockey League

INDIANAPOLIS, March 25 — (AP)—Dick Miller, manager of the Indianapolis team in the American Hockey League, said today "there has been talk" about forming a new midwestern league—but only if something should happen to the A. H. L.

"I would fight to the last ditch to maintain American League hockey," Miller said in an interview. "but if we were not in the league, we certainly would be interested in a new loop."

"A good one would be Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Louisville, Fort Wayne, Toledo, Akron and Troy, O. Grand Rapids also would be a possibility."

Toledo, Grand Rapids and Troy are in the International League. Cincinnati is in the A. H. L., and Louisville and Akron have no hockey teams.

Miller said only Hershey and Pittsburgh of the A. H. L. are in good financial condition. Cleveland "fairly good", Providence and Syracuse "fair", and Indianapolis, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Buffalo "bad".

Expect 250,000 To Watch Race

LONDON, March 25 — (CP)—An estimated 250,000 persons who do not pay a penny will watch next Saturday's annual boat race between crack eights of Oxford and Cambridge Universities.

Boat race day is London's big outdoor carnival as the rival crews pull the gruelling 4 1/4 mile stretch along the Thames from Putney to Mortlake in the southwest suburb.

"This year's race will be the 98th in the long series which began in 1829.

Cambridge to date has won 82 times, Oxford 44. The 1877 race was a dead-heat. Cambridge is bidding for its sixth straight win. A month ago rowing experts figured Cambridge had a sure fire crew to turn the trick. But final training during the last two weeks has brought a tremendous improvement in the lighter Oxford crew. Bookmakers odds of 4 or even 5 to 1 against Oxford have slumped. It is likely that on the day of the race it will be even money.

Sport Briefs

AKEN, S.C., March 25 — (AP)—Sam Sneed of White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., fired a six-under-par 65 to win the Palmetto Golf Club's eighth annual pro-amateur golf tournament here today.

LONDON, March 25 — (AP)—Yolande Pompee, undefeated lightweight contender from Trinidad, knocked out Erik Jensen of Denmark in 2:32 of the third round of a scheduled 10-round fight tonight. Pompee weighed 170 1/2 lbs, Jensen 173.

TUCSON, Ariz., Mar. 25 — (AP)—Bob Dillinger, who was sold for \$125,000 two years ago, headed for the minors today. The 32-year-old third baseman was sold to Sacramento of the Pacific Coast League for \$10,000 and a player net to be named. It was reported Dillinger had fallen into bad graces with manager Moe Richards of Chicago White Sox because of lack of hustle.

Will Have To Peel Off Uniform

PHOENIX, Ariz., Mar. 25 — (AP)—Emil (Dutch) Leonard, the Chicago Cubs' next to winning pitcher last season, today celebrated his 42nd birthday far from a rocking chair.

"I've said it before, and I say it now, they'll have to peel this uniform off me before I quit," said the right-hander who broke into professional ball 22 years ago.

Leonard is ready for his fourth Cub season and his 15th straight year in the majors. Leonard, who had a 10-6 record as a reliever last season, said his knuckleball is as good as ever.

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