Island Juniors Wiped Off Books

MONTREAL (CP) — The scheduled round - robin junior game between Montreal's NDG Monarchs and Summerside Legionnaires Wednesday night has been cancelled.

Phil Wimmer, general manager of the Monarchs, confirmed that vice - president Roger Gaudet of the Quebec Amateur Hockey Association, acting on orders from Lionel Fleury of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association (CAHA), got in touch with the NDG team to inform it of the cancellation.

Joe Clark, general manager of the Maritime champion Legionnaires, said his club was "yet to be notified about the cancelling of the game. Some of the players heard about it on television last night but nobody from the CAHA has told us the game is off."

Summerside lost its first two games of the series 9-1 to Ottawa Montagnards and 15-0 to NDG. The team with the best record in the tournament moves into the Memorial Cup semi-finals.

Clark said that Fleury asked him whether Summerside would concede the series after the defeat to Ottawa. When the CAHA proposed to us that we drop out of the competition after the very firs game, it indicated to me that they never wanted us here in the first place."

"Then, after our loss to NDG, Gaudet asked us if we had made any decision to drop out of the series in view of the one-sided score. I told him we would make no decision until the situation was discussed with our coach and players. We voted unanimously to continue in the series, but evidently someone has countermanded our decision."

CURLING DRAW

The following is the curling draw for Thursday at the Charlottetown club.

6.45 p.m.

Ice 1 — Open.

Ice 2 — W. Rodd, S. Fleming, T. Burke, W. Robinson vs. G. Storey, S. Rodd, G. Ladstone, M. MacNeill.

Ice 3 — D. Wonnacott, G. MacKay, J. Wilson, B. MacDonald vs. C. Flemming, S. Storey, N. MacNeill, R. Wilson.

Ice 4 — B. LeClair, J. Giddings, Jack Vautour, S. Shamaa vs. Dr. Giddings, D. LeClair, G. Lord, J. Vautour.

Ice 5 — J. Cameron, E. Goss, C. MacInnes, M. Blakeney vs. L. Blakeney, J. MacDonald, A. Callbeck, M. Lord.

8.15 p.m.

Ice 1 — Open.

The following teams will curl their second game:

1. Dr. Gallant, D. MacDonald, C. MacDonald, J. Hall.
2. A. Ballem, X. MacDonald, B. Partridge, C. Bolger.
3. R. Ketch, I. Gallant, G. Gallant, J. Court.
4. B. Dillon, E. MacDonald, A. MacEwen, C. MacKenzie.
5. H. MacInnes, A. Cudmore, Cam MacLean, J. Jones.
6. R. Ewing, H. Love, D. Douglas, E. Higson.
7. G. Keys, I. MacLellan, V. Mitton, R. Pineau.
8. G. Anderson, K. Douglas, P. Whitlock, D. Campbell.

Note — If unable to curl, please arrange for your own substitute.

HIT FROM OUTFIELD

The ball, thrown from the outfield, bounces off Jim Pregosi of the Los Angeles Angels, as he slides into third base in the fifth inning of American League opener. The ball is just above the shoulder of Third Baseman John Kennedy of the Washington Senators. Los Angeles won 4-0.

BREWER IS MISSED

Wings Go To Horse Races; Imlach Works Leafs Hard

By DAVE BETTS

DETROIT (CP)—Sid Abel is North America's most unusual employer — he encourages his workers to idle away their time at the racetracks while their competitors are working.

To prepare for tonight's third game in the Stanley Cup finals, manager - coach Abel escorted his Detroit Red Wings to the Toledo, Ohio, raceway Wednesday.

While the Wings were watching the horses go by, the Maple Leafs were in Toronto staging races of their own, up and down the ice surface at Maple Leaf Gardens.

No one in the hockey world Wednesday was inclined to blast Abel for allowing his charges to fritter away their time. At Toronto Tuesday night it was the Leafs who looked as if they were on holiday as they dropped a 4-3 overtime decision and were outshot 49 to 29.

The Wings were fresh from a day at the Fort Erie, Ont., racetrack where many of them picked up some extra cash and all of them gathered some tips on speed. Apparently inspired by the horses, the Red Wing forwards moved around the Gardens ice as if they were jet-propelled.

The Leafs, who always spend their between-game days at full-dress rehearsals, moved like sleepy snails for three-quarters of the game.

Punch Imlach, Abel's counterpart for the opposition, wants no part of picnics, bus outings or racetrack training.

LEAFS MINUS RESERVE

The Leafs, minus reserve defenceman Kent Douglas who received a slight injury at Wednesday's practice, were expected here by train late Wednesday night for the third and fourth games in the series. Toronto won Saturday's opener 3-2 on a goal by Bob Pulford with two seconds remaining.

In Tuesday's game, with 43 seconds remaining, a shot by Andy Bathgate caromed off Gerry Ehman's leg into the Detroit net and forced the first overtime game in Stanley Cup finals in five years.

Tuesday night Norm Ullman, who had won $200 at Fort Erie the day before, did most of the work to set up Larry Jeffrey's goal and prevent the injustice of a Toronto win.

"There were no breaks in the game," Imlach said Wednesday. We just couldn't get hold of the puck."

Both coaches say they will not change their strategy for tonight's game. Abel has given his wingers standing orders to zoom into the Toronto corners and dig for the puck, a manoeuvre that proved ultra successful Tuesday.

Imlach's policy: "We've got to out-hustle them that's the only way to beat the Wings. I've told my guys they've got to skate, and he forwards can't just stand around and become spectators. The Detroiters can kill you as soon as you start standing still."

Toronto has missed the puck-clearing ability of defenceman Carl Brewer who suffered rib injuries in the seventh game of the semi - finals in Montreal. Brewer's forte is his skill at rushing the puck out of his own zone while the opposing forwards are getting turned around.

Although he went all out in Wednesday's practice, Brewer said he still did not feel in top shape. Imlach said no decision about using him will be demade about using him will be made until just before game time tonight.

The Wings reported from Toledo that all were fit and ready to go.

"I think we can take them now," said Gordie Howe. "This club has more spirit than any I've played with and there isn't a quitter in the crowd."

The Leaf players made no excuses about Tuesday's calibre of play.

National League Pres. Thinking Of New Award

By ARLIE KELLER

TORONTO (CP) — Clarence Campbell, president of the National Hockey League, thinks it's time his organization offered a new trophy.

"I've been thinking about it for about three years now," said Campbell. "We should have a trophy to honor the best player in the Stanley Cup finals. The details haven't been worked out yet because I would like to get ideas from various people.

Baseball and football have special awards for a player who is outstanding in the World Series, National Football League and Grey Cup finals and I think we should have something along the same lines."

Campbell admitted this is strictly his idea and that he has not discussed it with league governors.

"I do think it would add to the finals by giving the players something more to shoot at. There would be a trophy and a cash award to go with it."

Reminded that the awards presented in baseball and football are not league honors but are sponsored commercially, Campbell replied:

"We certainly wouldn't have this trophy sponsored. The league would put up both the trophy and money. There are any number of people the award could be named after."

FAVORS BALLOTING

Campbell favors balloting for the new trophy by members of the press, radio and television who have covered league games all season.

"One idea is to have a representative from each of the four cities not in the final do the voting. They would be sent by the league to each game. After each game they would award a total of say 100 points, distributed to the top three star players in the game.

CLARENCE CAMPBELL

"At the end of the series the chairman of the balloting committee would add up the points and make the presentation after the final game. If there is a tie, he would cast the deciding vote."

The NHL now has six trophies up for competition.

The Hart Memorial Trophy goes to the player adjudged most valuable to his team.

The Lady Byng Memorial Trophy is presented to the player adjudged to have exhibited the best type of sportsmanship and gentlemanly conduct combined with a high standard of playing ability during the season.

The Vezina Trophy is given to the goalkeeper who has played the most games for the team with the fewest goals scored against.

The Calder Memorial Trophy is presented to the league's rookie each year.

The Art Ross Trophy goes to the leading scorer.

The James Norris Memorial Trophy to the best defenceman in the league.

The leading candidate for each trophy at the end of the first half of the season earns $500. The leader in the second-half voting collects $500 and the over-all winner gets $1,000.

Ed Truman Is Injured

MIAMI (AP) — Fog Bank dropped dead in the second race at Gulfstream park Wednesday and started a two-horse spill that sent jockey Eddie Truman to a hospital.

Fog Bank, apparently suffering a heart attack, went down in the stretch drive and Truman fell heavily to the track.

Bussy Wae, under William Morrisey, also went down, and Ramblin Wreck threw his rider, Walter Blum.

Truman was reported to have apparently suffered a dislocated shoulder. Morrisey was bruised and shaken. Blum, leading rider at the meeting with 44 winners, suffered no injuries but cancelled his mounts for the rest of the day.

Ramblin Wreck finished the race without a rider. Bussy Wae regained her feet and galloped into the paddock area. Apparently, neither horse was injured.

Twelve horses were in the race, a six-furlong sprint for 4-year-olds and upward. Fog Bank was a 6-year-old.

WRITES PLAY

Buddy Ebsen, star of The Beverly Hillbillies TV comedy series, recently finished writing his second play, a Civil War drama.

INTERIM REPORT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

Justice Prevailed

JUSTICE finally prevailed in Toronto Tuesday night when Detroit Red Wings emerged as overtime victors over Toronto Maple Leafs.

Three nights earlier Red Wings were preparing for overtime when Bobby Pulford broke up the game with a goal at 19.56. It was a heartbreaking loss for Sid Abel's charges who had deserted a much better fate.

Tuesday night they outplayed the Leafs in amazing fashion for the greater part of three periods. They owned a 3-1 edge and looked like easy winners.

Came the last ten minutes of play and Toronto sprang to life. They began to outplay the determined Red Wings and Red Kelly got Leafs to within one goal at 11.57. However, that one goal looked as big as a mountain as the final minute of regulation time was announced.

But once again Detroit got a bad break as Gerry Ehman beat Terry Sawchuck with only 43 seconds of play remaining.

AND again it appeared as though the Detroiters had blown a hockey game and most fans were thinking in terms of a Toronto victory as the teams took the ice for the overtime.

But once again Sid Abel's boys took complete control of the play and Larry Jeffery finally beat overworked Johnny Bower at the 7.32 mark. Even the most ardent Toronto fan could not muster up enough brass to say that Wings were lucky. If ever a club deserved to win a hockey game, it was this battling outfit from Detroit. They had made Leafs look sick all evening long and it would have been a gross injustice if they had failed once again.

It was no wonder that the Red Wings went absolutely wild with joy after Jeffery sank the big one. You couldn't blame those guys for all the hooting they sounded off. It was a tremendous victory for the underdog and one which puts an absolutely new look on this final series.

No Picnic For Leafs

SID Abel's idea of taking his boys on a picnic after that tough loss on Saturday night apparently paid rich dividends. His charges came back with a great display of checking that had the Leafs bottled up the greater part of the night.

'Punch Imlach didn't follow Abel's example by going in the picnic business, Leafs worked out Monday in preparation for Tuesday's battle but they had their picnic Tuesday night. They looked as though they thought these Red Wings could be taken any time and they played in that fashion. As Imlach suggested, the Leafs' forwards acted like spectators at the big game.

ONLY for Johnny Bower Detroit could easily have finished a half dozen goals in front. The great veteran had his busiest night in years as Red Wings scooted all around his cage. He wasn't to blame on any of the three goals and it was Bower alone that made overtime possible for Toronto.

With the series now in Detroit for games three and four, the Leafs face the big task of at least winning one game there or coming back to to Queen City trailing 3-1 in games. Winning hockey games in the Motor City isn't an easy task and the way Detroit is behaving these days it should be more difficult than ever.

However, Toronto fans are taking heart from the events of the semi-final series with Montreal. Here the Leafs were forced to grab two games on Forum ice and they were equal to the task. One thing is certain and that is that Toronto can't play any worse hockey than they served up Tuesday night.

Now It's A Tossup

AND so this defeat by the Wings on Toronto ice should surely serve as a real stimulant to those defending Stanley Cup champions. If they had any idea that this series with Detroit was going to be a pushover, they surely must have corrected that idea by now. The Imlachmen face a rough road and they need a triumph tonight or they are in the deepest of trouble. Undoubtedly they realize the seriousness of the situation and their play tonight in Detroit Olympia should be a far cry from that exhibition of Tuesday last.

It would appear that this Leafs' club is too good a hockey outfit to give more displays such as they have served up in the first two games of the series. The fact that Leafs must win on Detroit ice now in order to retain their Stanley Cup is something that shouldn't bother them too much. They were able to do it last season in Detroit and they were capable of grabbing a pair in Montreal this season in the semi-finals.

If Toronto can't come out of Detroit with a victory in this final series, then they don't deserve to remain as champions. Any team that hasn't the ability to grab a decision on enemy ice is hardly a worthy champion.

Detroit has won their game away from home and need only to capture decisions on Olympia ice. Leafs need to down the Red Wings before a hostile Detroit crowd.

We still think they will do it.

SPORT ECHOES

By Norman Macdonald
Summerside Bureau of The Guardian

Thane Mann Night

The Summerside Texaco Combines who won the Island Intermediate "B" Hockey Championship this spring have decided to come to the aid once more of their hard-luck goal-tender, Thane Mann. Thane was injured in a car accident last summer and put out of action most of last hockey season. But he did go into the nets against the RCAF Eagles in the play-offs and suffered a broken leg. The Combines plan to hold a dance at the Canadian Legion this Saturday to help their hockey comrade out. Dance will begin at 9 p.m. and tickets can be obtained at Boates Pharmacy, Alan Warren's Texaco service station, or from any of the Combine hockey players. Let's hope a large crowd will turn out and help Whitey along.

The Legion Question

The news that the CAHA has stepped in and cancelled our Junior Legionnaires' game with N.D.G. Monarchs leaves us somewhat bewildered. How can you throw out of competition a team that has not yet been mathematically eliminated? Whether you consider that the Legion boys should have conceded or not is beside the point. The fact is they did not concede and were not eliminated, so now—but, of course, this is the realm of sports where the most cock-eyed things are done even on the international level. If this were a matter of common law, Summerside could demand the honoring of their "contract", but in sports you never can be sure of anything.

"Sudden-death" seems to be the order of the day in the NHL finals this spring. Although Bob Pulford's goal in the first game was not scored officially in sudden-death overtime, it ended the contest just as completely as Jeffrey's goal did on Tuesday night. Pulford was the sole architect of that first game-winning goal, but Jeffrey had help — from Normie Ullman who dipsy-doodled the Leafs out of position, and from the biggest man in hockey, Gordie Howe, who laid the puck on Jeffrey's stick in front of the net. The Toronto fans' booing of Howe doesn't seem to help much. If they could think up some kind of incantation that would make him disappear, it would be much better.

Two or three fellows get talking over the phones and a new law emerges, without precedent, and sometimes without much common sense. Would they have thrown out Summerside if that last game were 14-1, or 13-2 or 12-3? Where do they draw the line? Toronto Maple Leafs were beaten 11-0 by Boston, and the next night went to Chicago and trounced the Black Hawks. You never know in hockey what a team will do next game and Summerside had every right to their choice of continuing the round robin, or abandoning it, as they saw fit. Trying to persuade them to "concede" was one thing, but forcing them to —brother!

An Explanation

We think, however, someone was a bit jumpy condemning a newspaper for the headline: "Ottawa smothers Summerside 9-1." Is this so much worse than "Summerside loses to Montreal 15-0"?

When the score is lopsided, sports writers naturally use "Lambasts", "Trounces," "Smothers," "Blasts," etc. If the score is close, they say "Edged," "Nipped", or something similar. A few of us may be weak in mathematics?. But if 15-0 is there, most fans get the picture. Unless of course, you pretend it's tennis, and say: "15-love". That makes it a real close score.

We like to think all Islanders are behind the Legionnaires in their gallant fight for Canadian honors, and certainly a headline such as this doesn't prove otherwise. Some very fine things have been said about the Summerside Maritime Champs from different sources, and we believe those boys deserve all the acclaim they have received. They went through the Maritime play-offs without a defeat, and their sorry showing in Montreal only emphasizes the fact that in the Maritimes we have a lot to learn about organizing and perhaps coaching junior hockey.

Jack Nicklaus Is Favorite

HOUSTON (AP)—Jack Nicklaus, with a good two - year Houston record behind him, was a strong favorite Wednesday over defending champion Bob Charles as 108 pros and 10 amateurs prepared for today's opening round in the Houston golf classic.

Charles, the New Zealand left-hander, set a classic record 289 while making his first Houston appearance a year ago, but rates behind Nicklaus.

Nicklaus has played here only twice but finished in a second-place tie in 1962 at 278 and took fourth last year with a 273.

Other contenders include Dave Marr, a Houston native, Paul Harney, Dow Finsterwald and Australia's Bruce Devlin.

DID GOOD JOB

LANGTON MADRAVERS, England (CP) — Six sheep bought to keep the churchyard grass down at this Dorset village have done such a good job that they are to be sent to market because they have grown too fat. The church council is to replace them with lambs.

Phillies Top New York 4-1

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Tony Gonzalez' eighth inning homer, following an error, drove in three unearned runs and gave the Philadelphia Phillies a 4-1 victory over the New York Mets Wednesday night.

The blast broke up a pitching duel between winner Jim Bunning and Tracy Stallard. Bunning winning his first game as a National League, checked the Mets on seven hits and struck out 11.

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Stallard (0-1) and Gonder; Bunning (1-0) and Dalrymple. HRs Phila. Gonzalez.

Hoop Game At Souris

SOURIS — An exhibition basketball game will be played tonight at Souris Regional High School auditorium when the Souris Teachers meet the Morell Teachers. The game time is 7 p.m.

ANGLO-SOVIET TALKS

LONDON (Reuters)—Foreign Trade minister Nikolai Patolichev of the Soviet Union and British Trade Minister Edward Heath opened talks here Wednesday on a new Anglo-Soviet trade agreement. The current five-year agreement expires at the end of June.

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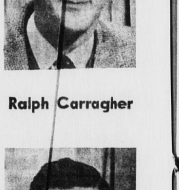

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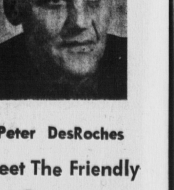

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OPENING DAY CATCHES

Shown above are the proud owners of a respectable catch which they captured, yesterday the opening day of the fishing season. On the left is Don Vessey of West Royalty with his prize which weighs two and a half pounds. The gentleman on the right is Ira MacDonald who caught this fine specimen which tips the scales at three and a quarter pounds.