

Canadiens Hold Dry Run Under New Ice Conditions

By AL McNEIL
MONTREAL (CP)—Montreal Canadiens have had their first trial run under some of the conditions they will face for the first time in their best-of-seven Stanley Cup final against Detroit Red Wings.

The Canadiens open against Detroit Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. EDT, and the game will be carried throughout the United States in color on the National Broadcasting Company's network, as well as the regular black-and-white telecast in Canada by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

Friday's workout for the Montrealers was held under the glare of more than 100 additional 1,000-watt lamps installed for the color presentation.

Coach Toe Blake, who has been working his team hard all week in daily workouts, was content to ease the practise and to test netminders Lorne Gump Worsley and Charlie Hodge with shots from certain blind areas caused by shadows thrown on the ice by the additional lighting.

The ice is tinted a television blue to reduce glare.

USED CORK AS AID

Worsley, who along with Hodge won the Vezina Trophy



GUMP WORSLEY

camera," Worsley said. "But you soon get used to it and you certainly couldn't use them (the lights) for an excuse if you got beat."

Blake, whose team will have enjoyed a 10-day layoff by Sunday's contest, said he did not think the enforced rest will hurt the club.

WON IN FOUR

Canadiens eliminated Toronto Maple Leafs in four games in their semi-final round and had a bye while Detroit and Chicago see-sawed through six contests before Chicago bowed out.

"If we lose this series to Detroit, people will blame it on the layoff," Blake said. "We had quite a few minor injuries after Toronto and the rest won't hurt us."

(Jean) Beliveau was tired after the fourth Toronto game and (Henri) Richard was injured. I think the rest has done them good."

The Wings already have played two games in the Chicago series under the additional candle power required for colored television presentations.

Canadiens are favored at 13-to-5 odds to take Sunday's opener and oddsmakers have made them 5-to-2 choice for the series.

The second game will also be played here Tuesday at 8 p.m. And the series then moves to Detroit for the next two tilts.



A STICKEY BUSINESS

The Montreal Canadiens' two Tremblays—J.C. LEFT, and Gilles—are key figures for the team in their Stanley Cup final against Detroit Red Wings starting Saturday. J.C. has been the club's leading defenceman while leftwinger Gilles expects to be told to shadow the Wings' Gordie Howe, as he has throughout the regular season.

SPORTS FRONT



Habs, Wings Almost Equal

By CHRIS ANNETT

Well fans in the United States will be seeing graceful blurs of Red and White against a blue background of frozen ice tomorrow after while all of Canada will witness the conventional black and white blobs on their TV sets but that thought is not upsetting to many people as they ponder their favorites chances on the eve of the 1966 Stanley Cup championship finals.

The series shapes up as a skating contest as both clubs are hard skating teams and it is not likely that we will get to witness too many jousts or full scale wars during the series. Montreal is the favorite in the eyes of the book-makers and it may be a good idea to consider why.

The Habs, long noted for being a skating team, will in all likelihood outskate the Wings over the long run and this will be a big factor. This is going to pay off in the end and fans are going to see more typical-playoff action as when one of the two clubs gets a one goal lead they are going to be able to forecheck and play it safe. Toronto and Chicago did not have enough skating power to hold a lead and that is why they are going to be watching the series.

Detroit has the three superstars, Howe, Ullman and Delvecchio and they are going to be a thorn in the side of the Habs to say the least but Beliveau, Richard and Rossman will offset these three. From them on down the Habs are perhaps a bit stronger especially on the blue line and that's where the series is going to be won or lost.

A lot will depend on the home ice advantage. The Habs have an extra game in Montreal and this could play a role in the final. Detroit has held a monopoly on games played in the Olympics for the past two years and even though they lost a couple in the middle of the season at home it must be remembered that they were for all-intents-and-purposes crippled beyond hope at the time.

The long layoff might have hurt the Habs rather than helped them but they did manage to regain Richard and that may prove to be the difference in the two clubs. Richard is noted as a team leader and his return gives the club the strongest unit of centerman in the league, (Backstrom, Beliveau, and himself).

All in all it is shaping up to be a fine bunch of hockey games and although I am calling the Habs to win I am not going to guess at the number of games.

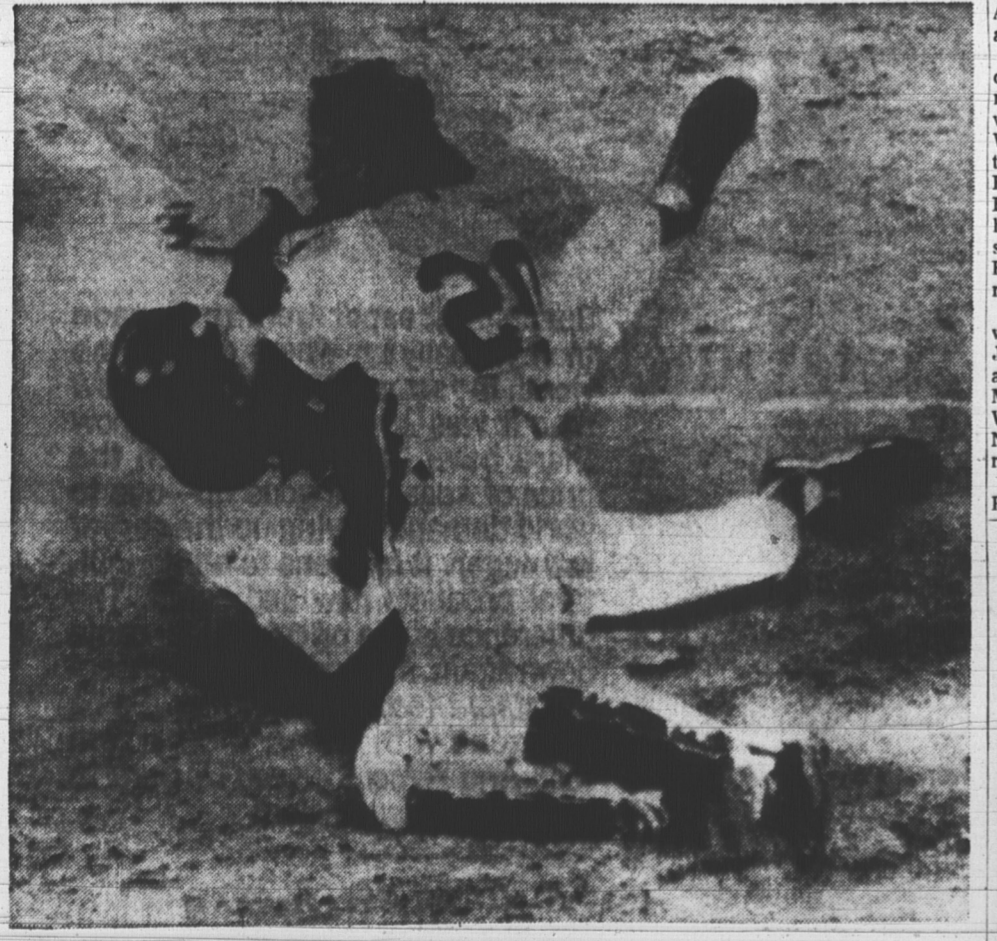
MINORS OPEN

The forgotten league as far as Island Baseball fans go opened its 1966 schedule yesterday as the eight teams of the International Class AAA league swung into action. Toronto, Columbus, Buffalo, Toledo, Syracuse, Rochester, Richmond and Jacksonville all were slated to play opening day contests. Columbus, which took the flag last year by two and a half games is heavily favored to repeat the trick again this season.

Toronto, after having finished fourth in league play came on strong to cop the league playoffs last year and they have essentially the same roster again so they will pose a threat. It seems a shame that they are the only semi-major league team sponsored in Canada.

Island star Vern Hadraghan, who finished the season last year with Jacksonville is now flinging for the Vancouver entry in the West Coast league. Hadraghan locked horns with Dobson of Portland the other end and came out on the top end of a 2-1 pitchers duel so it appears as if he is in good early season form.

An interesting aspect in any minor league is the fact that players are often recalled to the parent clubs such as Pittsburgh which owns Columbus and Boston which sponsors Toronto. Often these recalls of a key player to the minor club can upset the whole apple cart and predictions are shot all to . . .



DON'T LEAN ON MY ELBOW

Atlanta Braves' outfielder catcher Clarence Coleman Felipe Alou gets an elbow in (20) last night in Atlanta. Alou scored from first on a double by Eddie Mathews in first inning. (AP Wirephoto)

BASEBALL SCORES

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
National League
 Los Angeles 100 001 000—2 8 0
 Chicago 900 100 000—1 6 1
 Koufax (2-0) and Torborg; Ellsworth (1-1) and Hurdley; San Fran. 000 000 000—0 8 8
Houston 100 000 000—2 8 1
 Shaw (1-1); Gibbon (5) Priddy (7) and Haller; Giusti (1-1) and Bateman. HRs: Hata—Morgan (2), Gentile (2).



BOB BOLIN

PROBABLE PITCHERS

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
 Today's probable pitchers in baseball's major leagues with won-lost records:
American League
 Minnesota (Grant 1-1) at California (Lopez 1-1).
 Chicago (Buzhardt 1-1) at Kansas City (Talbot 0-1) (N).
 Detroit (Monbouquette 1-1) at Washington (Duckworth 0-1).
 Baltimore (McNally 1-0) at New York (Peterson 1-0).
 Cleveland (McDowell 2-0) at Boston (Stigman 0-0).
National League
 Los Angeles (Sutton 1-1) at Chicago (Hendley 0-1).
 New York (Selma 0-0) at Atlanta (Fischer 0-1).
 Philadelphia (Bunning 0-1) at Cincinnati (Jay 0-1).
 Pittsburgh (Blass 1-0) at St. Louis (Briles 0-0) (N).
 San Francisco (Bolin 2-0 and Perry 1-0) at Houston (Latman 0-1 and Roberts 0-2) (Twilight).

Wildlife Commission Tries To Destroy '72 Bid

Prime Minister Pearson Told To Destroy '72 Bid

ROME (CP)—A wildlife group based in Washington, C.C., made a determined effort Friday to wreck the Banff application for the 1972 Winter Olympic Games.

The Wildlife Management Institute said in a letter to the International Olympic Committee that facilities necessary to hold the Winter Olympics would destroy much of the natural beauty of Banff National Park.

It was not immediately established here how many Canadian members the group has, if any. It had been erroneously reported here earlier that the group's headquarters was in Banff.

The letter to the IOC was signed by Ira Gabrielson of Washington, president of the institute.

DIDN'T KNOW GROUP

Ed Davis, a Calgary businessman who heads the Olympic 72 Committee, told reporters: "I've never heard of a gentleman named Gabrielson, nor am I aware of the existence of a Wilderness Management Institute."

The International Olympic Committee will announce Tuesday where the 1972 Summer and Winter Olympic Games will be held. Montreal is among four cities seeking the Summer Games.

Davis said the conservation argument has been raised before against Banff's candidacy for the Games, but was laid to rest when the Canadian government endorsed the candidacy.

The Banff park is under Ottawa's jurisdiction.

The Canadian government, in fact, gave a re-endorsement Friday of Banff's efforts to bring the Winter Olympics to Canada for the first time.

Prime Minister Pearson told the Commons Health Minister MacEachen would leave immediately for Rome to support Banff's application before the IOC. Ambassador Gordon Crean also would do what he could to help.

PREDICTS RESENTMENT

"This is certain to be resented by many Canadians who feel that commercialism has no place in national parks."

The IOC begins a plenary session Sunday. Meanwhile, its executive board has been meeting and, in a separate development, the presidents of 21 international sports federations cast secret ballots for their choices among the four cities seeking the Summer Games and the four looking for the Winter Games.

The federations have no actual voice in selecting the sites but, as certifying agents for Olympic athletes, they have considerable influence. This is the first time they have come together to try to use their influence in this way. Their votes will be reported to the IOC today.

STILL FAVORITE

Banff still was seen as the favorite for the Winter Games. Its competition comes from Sapporo, Japan; Salt Lake City, Utah; and Lahti, Finland.

Montreal's competitors for the Summer Games are Munich, Detroit and Madrid. There's no clear favorite here, but Montreal's position is believed to have been weakened by Banff's forceful bid.

No country has had the Olympics summer and winter since 1936, when Germany staged both.

Pearson, in his statement in the Commons, made no mention of Montreal's application.

Munich originally was figured to have an inside track on the Summer Games, but the West German city's chances have been menaced by outspoken opposition from the Soviet Union and East Germany.

Second Round Rained Out

DALLAS, Tex. (AP)—The second round of the \$85,000 Dallas open golf tournament was cancelled Friday because of rain. All scores were wiped out and the second round will be played today.

When the cancellation came, Gene Littler and Dow Finsterwald were leading the tournament with 138s for 36 holes.

Doug Sanders, leader in the first round with a four-under-par 67, had played only five holes and was one over par.

Charlottetown Women Announce Bonspiel Results

Several competitions wound up the curling season for the Women's branch of the Charlottetown Curling Club.

While members were competing in the Silver D in Summerside, others were vying for the Wally Rodd trophy in Charlottetown. Elinor Higson skippped her rink to victory with Mina Livingstone, Mrs. Smith MacFarlane and Mrs. George Agnew as teammates. Runners-up were Mrs. Percy MacDonald, Mrs. Art Lawlor, Mrs. James Roach and Mrs. Jack Farquharson.

Victors in the Evening Patriot competition in which the victors represented the club in the provincial playdowns, were Mrs. Wendell MacDonald (skip), Cathy Bolger (mat), Mrs. Jack Kane (second) and Mrs. Stephen Harper (lead). Runner-up rink had Mrs. Mary MacKenzie as skip, with Mrs. Harry Sentner, Helen Cudmore and Mrs. Merrill Wiggington.

The Fisher Bros. trophy was won by Mrs. Helen MacKenzie, Jeannine Albert, Mildred Acorn and Mrs. Jack MacLean. The Mrs. Wendell MacKenzie, Mrs. Whitehead, Mrs. Norman MacNeill and Mrs. Donald Stanhope rink was the runner-up.

The fourth competition, the Patterson (emblematic of the Ladies' Club Championship) was won by Anita Cudmore, Cathy Bolger, Mrs. Doug Kirkpatrick and Anne Storey. Runners-up: Mrs. J. (Tarky) Whitlock, Mrs. Arthur Love, Mrs. William Davies and Mrs. Emmett MacDonald.

The last curling event of the year was the Taylor. This trophy was won by Mrs. Clifford MacDonald, Mrs. Jack Boomhower, Mrs. Art Lawlor and Mrs. James Roach. Runners-up: Mrs. Bess Partridge, Mrs. William O'Rourke, Hilda Rossiter and Mrs. Stephen Harper.

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Red Wings Change Hotels In Preparation For Game

By BERNIE KENNEDY
DETROIT (AP)—Detroit Red Wings skated for more than an hour Friday in a final tune-up for the opening-of-their Stanley Cup final Sunday afternoon at Montreal.

General manager-coach Sid Abel said the players may skate for a short time today before leaving for Montreal.

Abel also decided that the Red Wings will not stay at a downtown hotel this year. Arrangements have been made for them at a motor hotel outside the city.

Although he switched hotels in Chicago in the semi-final with the Black Hawks "for luck," Abel denied this was his reason for changing from their usual Detroit defeated Chicago four games to two.

The best-of-seven final starts at 2 p.m. EDT and will be televised on both the CBC and NBC networks.

The Detroit coach said his reason for changing hotels is so his players won't be subject to stares of fans and conventioners.

NO FREAK SHOW

"This is not a freak show." The Wings will stay in a Toledo, Ohio, hotel after the two games in Montreal and between the games in Detroit.

Red Wings' captain, Alex Delvecchio, said he felt Detroit would have to slow down the Canadiens early in the series.

"I think we can give them a good run, but we are going to have to go for the body right off the bat to slow them down." Abel says he is not concerned by the fact only one team in the history of the Stanley Cup has won the cup after finishing fourth during the regular season. Toronto did it in 1942, beating the Red Wings.

He also is paying little attention to Detroit's performance against Montreal during the regular season. The Red Wings managed only four victories and three ties in 14 games.

PLANS NO CHANGES

"The playoffs are different and you forget such things." As far as my lines are concerned, I plan to go with the same ones I used against Chicago.



DEAN PRENTICE

Forward Dean Prentice and defenceman Leo Bolvin were picked up from Boston Bruins in a late-season trade but only Prentice appeared to jell with the Wings.

However, with the return of Bill Gadsby from injuries, Bolvin was paired with the 20-year veteran and the two had an outstanding series against Chicago.

Prentice, on a line with Gordie Howe and Delvecchio scored the tying and winning goals in Wings' 3-2 win over Chicago Tuesday to clinch Detroit's playoff berth.

Koufax Leads LA To Victory

CHICAGO (AP)—Sandy Koufax pitched his first complete game of the season and Jeff Torborg's third straight hit punched across the decisive run in the sixth in a 2-1 Los Angeles Dodgers victory over the last-place Chicago Cubs Friday.

Koufax, whose longest string in two previous starts was six innings, upped his record to 2-0 with his second verdict over the hapless Cubs, who have lost six straight. He gave up six hits.

Koufax, whose holdout with Don Drysdale kept him idle most of the spring, still appeared below his 26 - victory form of last season in a duel of southpaws with Dick Ellsworth.

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