

Red Wings Take One Game Lead In Finals As They Split Pair Of Matches With Habs

(By W. R. Wheatley, Canadian Press Staff Writer) DETROIT, (CP)—Gordie Howe blasted in three goals Sunday night and the Detroit Red Wings, hanging up two records for Stanley Cup play, romped to a 5-1 win over Montreal Canadiens and took a 3-2 lead in the best-of-seven cup final.

The Red Wings spotted Canadiens the first goal in the opening period but then turned on the heat, pulled in to the lead before the period virtually under control from there on.

In addition to Howe's hat-trick, Glen Skov and Vic Stasiuk scored for the Red Wings and Jean Beliveau for Canadiens. The victory put the Wings in position to clean up the series and win their seventh Stanley Cup when the teams meet again in Montreal Tuesday.

Rough play finally erupted into a full-fledged fight between Butch Bouchard of Montreal and Red Kelly of Detroit in the third period. There were 18 minutes of battling and for a few minutes a real donnybrook threatened. Bouchard, thirsting for more cracks at Kelly, barged about and wrestled with linesman Bill Morrison in an attempt to get at Kelly. In the mill, referee Bill Chadwick and linesman Doug Davies tumbled to the ice.

Both the batters were given minor penalties for slashing, majors for fighting and had misconducts added. Dickie Moore and Tom Johnson of Montreal and Stasiuk and Jim Hay of Detroit, eager to get into the fray, escaped without penalties.

Howe set a playoff record, his three goals running his total points for semi-final and final to 19. This bettered the old mark of 18 made by the late Montreal player in nine games of the 1943-44 season against Toronto Maple Leafs and Chicago Black Hawks. Howe has played in nine games in the current playoffs.

Howe and his linemates, Earl "Dutch" Bibeau and Ted Lindsay, ran the point total for their line to 49, one more than the record 48 made in the same 1943-44 playoffs when Blake combined with Elmer Lach and Maurice Richard of Canadiens for that total.

Montreal Goal: Plante; defence: Bouchard, Johnson, Harvey, St. Laurent, McAvoy; forwards: Mosdell, Curry, MacKay, Bellevue, Geoffrion, Olmstead, Leclair, Marshall, Moore, Rony. Detroit: GVTAL; Easdale; defence: Goldham, Kelly, Pronovost, Curran.

Probable Pitchers For Opening Games NEW YORK (AP) — Probable pitchers for opening games of major league season with probable attendance (won and lost records for 1954 in parentheses):

Table with columns for American League, National League, and Sunday's Results. Lists teams, pitchers, and scores for various games.

2 Games Today Will Open Major Leagues Ball Season

By JACK HAND NEW YORK (AP) — Now that Chicago Cubs have been crowned champions in the never-never land of spring training, the 16 major league managers must remove their rose-tinted glasses and face up to the realities of games that count. Two games today at Washington and Cincinnati and a full eight-game schedule Tuesday will open the season officially.

If the Cubs carry their spring form until Sept. 25, a new crop of idle rich will have been created for the pre-season betting line shows Slim Hack's crew as desperate 50-to-1 shots, the same as Pittsburgh.

Cleveland's powerful home run hitters managed to get the even more win 11 games last season—before and including the world series—are favored to beat off New York Yankees and Chicago White Sox in a three-club American League race.

The baseball writers agreed with the odds favoring Cleveland, giving the Tribe a comfortable margin over the Yanks in their annual forecasts.

PICK BRAVES The writers didn't, however, go along with New York Giants as 6-to-5 favorites to cop the National League flag for the second straight year. In fact, they dipped below Brooklyn, at 7 to 5, and tabbed Milwaukee Braves, listed at 3 1/2 to 1 in some sections, as their pick for the pennant.

Every other year, baseball tradition calls for a special "staggered" opening program with a presidential opener at Washington and another opening for the National League at Cincinnati, home of the first professional club.

President Eisenhower will throw out the first ball before manager Charley Dressen's Senators tangle with the renovated Baltimore Orioles.

Charles-Arthur Bout At Edmonton Alta. Tonight (By Bill Cunningham, Canadian Press Staff Writer) EDMONTON, (CP) — The stars of what is expected to be one of the biggest heavyweight fight shows in Canadian ring history have rung down the curtain on the dress rehearsals for the former world champion, and Johnny Arthur, handsome, 25-year-old South African titleholder, ended their training during the holiday weekend in preparation for their scheduled 10-round fight here tonight.

The Charles-Arthur battle may pave the way for a Charles-Earl Walls fight here this summer and do the same thing for a proposed London meeting of Arthur and Don Cockell, British Empire champion. The outcome of the Charles-Arthur fracas could result in a reshuffle among the top contenders for the world crown.

One piece of pre-fight speculation, considered almost a certainty, is that fight records for Edmonton Gardens in both gross and attendance will be set by the Rivers, Kell.

Sunday Clev'd (A) 101 001 000-4 10 2 Milwaukee (N) 000 002 2-6 9 1 Pierce, Garcia (4) and Hegon, Foiles (4), Conley, Jolly (7), Cronin (9) and Crandell, White (9), W. Cronin, L-Score. HRs: Cle-Strickland; Mil-O'Connell, Aaron.

Chicago (A) 040 904 100-9 10 3 Chicago (N) 300 210 100-7 11 2 Pierce, Harshman (5) Chakales (7) and Lollar, Courtney (6); Thorpe, Cohen (3) Andre (6) Amor (7) Davis (9) and McCullough, Fanning (4) E. Tappe (9), W. Harshman; L-Cohen. HRs: Chi-Detroit (A) 000 001 800-3 13 1 St. Louis (N) 000 015 40x-13 0 Tuverink (7) Fletcher (8) and Hoise, Wildridge (7) Faszholz, Btaycock (5) Woodridge (7) Smith (9) and Sarni, Rice (8), W-Woodridge, Zuverink. HR: St. L-Scoedniast, Brooklyn (N) 010 000 002-3 5 0 New York (A) 024 010 00x-7 8 0 Black, Bessent, Meyer (5), La-sorda (7) and Campanella, Walker (7); Turley, Sain (8) and Hegon, W-Turley; L-Black. HRs: Ny-Nol-Nas and Berra (9) and Lary-carrero; L-Wheeler. HRs: KC-Nemnaestri, Renna, Wilson; PH-Lowery.

Cleveland (A) 101 000 000-2 5 3 Milwaukee (N) 000 000 000-0 6 0 Lamon, Feller (4), Houtteman (7) and Hegon; Burdette, Gorin (6), Robinson (6) and Crandell, W-Lemon; L-Burdette. HR: Cle-Doby; Chicago (N) 000 020 007-8 10 0 Chicago (A) 203 010 011-8 12 0 Jones, Perkowski (3), Davis (8), Amor (9) and Chitl, McCullough; Consuegra, Donovan (5), Dorjiah (9), Martin (8) and Courtney, W-Davis; L-Dorjiah. HRs: Chi (N)-Sauer, Jackson, Cooper, Chi (A)-

MONTREAL, (CP)—Montreal Canadiens made a driving second period a winning one with three goals Saturday night and wound up with a 5-3 victory over Detroit Red Wings to tie the best-of-seven Stanley Cup final at 2-2.

Calum McKay, Bernard Boom Boom Geoffrion, Jean Bellevue, Tom Johnson and Floyd Curry, Earl Dutch Reibel scored twice for Detroit and Jim Hay the final goal.

It was a solid, thumping affair and more sustained speed than any other in the series. The wide open struggle produced 40 goals, the Red Wings scoring 30 at Jacques Plante in the Montreal nets and Canadiens firing 30 at Terry Sawchuk. Only six minor penalties were called, three to each team, and none figured in the scoring.

Curry scored his sixth goal of the series early in the third period, riding in on MacKay's pass and beating Sawchuk with a slap shot. Reibel led the Wings on their final effort, scoring on a blue-line shot with Howe and Lindsay assisting. Hay counted eight minutes from the end on another long drive. The teams left immediately after the game for the fifth game in Detroit Sunday night. The sixth will be played in Montreal Tuesday and the seventh, if necessary, back in Detroit Thursday.

Lineup Detroit — Goal: Sawchuk; defence: Pronovost, Kelly, Goldham, Wolt, Hay; forwards: Reibel, Lindsay, Howe, Leswick, Delvecchio, Pavelich, Skov, Wilson, Dineen, Bonin, Stasiuk, Payette (sub goalie). Montreal — Goal: Plante; defence: Harvey, St. Laurent, Bouchard, Johnson, McAvoy; forwards: Mosdell, Curry, MacKay, Bellevue, Geoffrion, Olmstead, Leclair, Marshall, Moore, Bartlett, Rony.

Referee: Red Storey; linesmen: Bill Morrison and George Hayes. First period: 1. Montreal, MacKay (Harvey, Mosdell) 4:0; 2. Detroit, Reibel (Kelly) 12:38. Penalties: Bellevue 1:12, Pavelich 15:31. Second period: 3. Montreal, Geoffrion 4:0; 4. Montreal, Bellevue 8:25; 5. Montreal, Johnson 9:07; 6. Bellevue 13:27; Pavelich 13:27; Leclair 17:26; Skov 20:00. Third period: 6. Montreal, Curry (MacKay) 2:33; 7. Detroit, Reibel (Lindsay, Howe) 3:40; 8. Detroit, Hay (Reibel) 12:00. Penalties: None.

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Dutchmen Defeat Moncton 5-2

KITCHENER, Ont. (CP)—Kitchener-Waterloo Dutchmen continued their mastery of the Eastern Canada Allan Cup finals Saturday night, downing Moncton Hawks 5-2 to take a 3-0 lead in the best-of-seven series before 4,345 home fans. Fourth game is scheduled in Kitchener Tuesday night.

The game followed the pattern of the second game of the series with the Dutchmen taking a 3-0 lead in the second period throwing back a determined Montreal rally in the third.

Nick Pidsodny paced the winners with two goals, Charley Brooker, Buddy Horne and Jerry Theberge scored once apiece. Tod Campeau and Ivan Houle scored for the Hawks.

STOPS TO SHOTS Pidsodny played a steady game in the Moncton nets, turning back 40 shots over the distance. Keith Woodall of the Dutchmen made 23 saves including several sizzlers late in the second period when the Hawks were pressing. Ten minor penalties were handed out during the game.

The Dutchmen took the lead early in the first period when Brooker scored at 3:46 on a three-way play with Buddy Horne and Joe Schertzl. Both teams missed Brooker got his first goal of the night at 18:06 on a rebound shot that left Pidsodny little chance.

Horne made it 3-0 just after the half-way mark of the second period on a passout from a faceoff to the right of the Moncton net. Campeau broke Woodall's shut-out 31 seconds later when he checked Brooker in front of the Kitchener-Waterloo net and poked the puck past Woodall for the score.

STRONG K-W DEFENCE The Hawks dominated play for the first half of the final period but couldn't break through the solid Dutchmen defence. Then at 14:12, Bauer dug out a loose puck in the Moncton zone and slid it inside the post to make it 4-1 for the Ontario champions.

News From Local Curling Club First and second curlers have yet to play the final game in the bonspiel being presently held at the Charlotteville Curling Club, but the Jim Hornby rink already has been assured of the prizes as they picked up a 6-1 win over the other members of the winning rink are mate, H. Stead; second, V. Williams; and lead, Wallace Campbell.

C. Campbell and B. Burden will meet in the final game of the 'spiel to decide the runner-up team in Wednesday's draw. Play in the Seagram's Trophy bonspiel also continued at the local rink this week with draws for tonight, Tuesday and Wednesday. The final round of the competition, both in trophy play and the losers section, will be played Thursday night after which the prizes will be presented at the club.

The season's activities will come to a close with a two-day mixed 'spiel on Friday and Saturday with the deadline for entries being Wednesday at 9 p.m. Following is draw for tonight: Ice 1—Game no. 17—J. S. MacDonald vs. J. E. Burden. Ice 2—Game no. 18—E. MacInnis vs. F. Acorn. Ice 3—Game no. 19—W. Worth vs. winner of no. 12. Ice 4—Game no. 20—Dr. E. S. Giddings vs. C. MacDonald. 8:30 p.m.— Ice 1—Game no. 22—C. MacLean vs. D. Saunders. Ice 2—Game no. 21—E. Tanton vs. Dr. W. MacDonald. Ice 3—Game no. 23—R. Caruthers vs. R. Spillett. Ice 4—Game no. 24—Winner of game no. 17 vs. winner of game no. 18.

Hockey Scores By THE CANADIAN PRESS Saturday Stanley Cup Detroit 3 Montreal 5 Best-of-seven final series tied 2-2 Calder Cup Buffalo 5 Pittsburgh 4 (Pittsburgh leads best-of-seven series 3-2) Allan Cup Eastern Canada Final Moncton 2 Kitchener-Waterloo 5 (Kitchener-Waterloo leads best-of-seven series 3-0) Memorial Cup Western Canada Final Regina 10 Winnipeg 4 (Regina leads best-of-seven series 3-0)

Western Canada Finals Vernon 1 Fort William 4 (Fort William leads best-of-seven series 3-0) Quebec League Shawinigan Falls 3 Montreal 4 (Montreal leads best-of-seven final 1-0) Memorial Cup Toronto Mariboros 6 Quebec 9 (Toronto leads best-of-seven semi-final 2-1, one game tied)

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