SPORTS FRONT

Claude Provost Mr. Shadow

By CHRIS ANNETT

Hockey fans can add two more names to the list of the select elite in the NHL that are called upon to check Bobby Hull. Eddie Westfall and Ron Stewart of the Bruins played follow the leader with the Golden Jet in the game Wednesday evening and it was a case of the leader not being able to shake his followers for a minute. Westfall, noted for his defensive abilities and ruggedness, played Hull in a rugged fashion, but Hull managed to restrain his temper until the last minute of play when he and Westfall tangled and drew minor penalties.

Despite the fact that every team has a man to harass Hull there can be little doubt that over the run of time Claude Provost is the foremost of the Hull chasers and in a very interesting article in this months Hockey Illustrated Provost reveals some of the little secrets that has made his public enemy No. 1 as far as the Hawks go.

"The big secret about watching Hull" reveals Provost "is to keep on top of him all the time." Sounds easy doesn't it? However Hull is noted to be one of the most powerful skaters in the NHL and once he winds up there are not a lot of players who can catch him from behind. The only chance that his check has to catch Hull if he loses him in the Chicago end is when he slows down to try to penetrate the defense, and half the time Hull shoots from outside. Little wonder Provost states "You have to catch him in his own end."

Provost has covered the Golden Jet man to man since 1960 but it was only last season that his role came into the public eye. However he has had considerable success in containing Hull in these five years. Last season Hull managed to get only four goals while Provost was assigned to cover him and previous to this Hull failed to score against the Habs for two straight seasons while Mr. Shadow wa on the ice.

Initially Provost found it easier to cover Hull because the rangy left winger didn't shoot as much. Now, according to Provost, "He also tries to get around the defense and shoot from close in." Hull has also picked up better moves and that has compounded the difficult task of covering. Nevertheless Provost too has his little advantages.

TRICKS OF TRADE

"I get together with our defensemen a lot" Provost disclosed. Hull likes to tear down along the boards, fake to center and then keep going down the boards. Provost and the Montreal defense generally manage to keep Hull close to the boards and he has bad position to try a shot on nets.

Another basic hockey maneuver that Provost employs with some success against Hull is lifting his stick. As most fans know Hull has a big windup for his slapshot and if Provost is near the Golden Bomber at all he generally can get at least a piece of his stick.

The most difficulty that Provost is faced with is the Hawk power play but even here he has managed to keep a good record against Hull. The Hawks play Hull on the point when they have a man advantage. Provost's strategy? "I stay about halfway between there and the net. When I see Bobby get hold of the puck I get up to the blueline in order to prevent him from winding up for a hard shot . . . I follow him in front of the net, behind the net, everywnere." A tedious and energy consuming strategy no doubt but thus far it has worked.

Despite the fact that Hull and Provost have been duelling for over five years there are no hard feelings between the two. "People seem to think that I should be mad at Provost," states Hull. "That isn't so. Not only do I have no grudge at all against him but I admire him. He"s sent out there to do a certain job and he does it well and cleanly." A fitting tribute for a man who has one of the hardest jobs in the NHL today, to contain Hull.

RAMBLINGS . . .

The first-string quarterback of the Harpers Ferry High School football team, denying he was drunk during a game, has filed a $10,000 libel suit against his principal. The suit was filed Thursday against Principal Norman Mullins in Jefferson County Circuit Court on behalf of Lee Ballanger by his father, Calvin Ballanger. Young Ballanger, a senior, was one of seven regulars suspended by the principal after an Oct. 24 game against Shepherdstown. The suit says Mullins falsely and maliciously stated in a letter to Ballanger's parents and board of education officials that Ballanger played the game under the influence of alcoholic beverages. Harpers Ferry won 14-13

A Norwegian doctor who attended the Little Olympics at Mexico City last month recommended that the 1968 games be moved elsewhere. Dr. Hans-Jacob Nerdrum said he will go to Rurku, Finland, Monday to discuss the Mexico City altitude problems with Swedish and Finnish doctors, who also attended the trials. Sweden and Finnish athletes reported on their return from Mexico City that it would be "meaningless, unfair and unsporting to compete under such conditions as Mexico City's 2,400-metre 1½-mile altitude."

Charlie Conacher, 55-year-old former National Hockey League star who suffered a heart attack at his home Wednesday, is in fair condition in hospital. The Toronto businessman underwent an operation shortly after being admitted to hospital and his condition then was described as "improved." Conacher had a 13-year career in the NHL, 10 with Toronto Maple Leafs, one with Detroit Red Wings and two with New York Americans. A member of hockey's hall of fame, scored 225 goals during his career and was the league scoring champ in 1933-34 and 1934-35. He retired after the 1940-41 season.

HUNTERS'

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my tally is correct the number now exceeds the twenty mark. The fine has been increased slightly of late ... from $10.00 to $15.00 ... but there is plenty of room for advancement. The offences were varied and included hunting with unplugged shotguns ... three shots is not enough to satisfy some hunters — if the magazine could hold ten cartridges instead of five — plus one in the breech — they'd utilize them all. The scarcer our ducks become the harder they are hunted. I wonder who will have the honour of shooting our last local black duck. The hunter who shot the last passenger pigeon must have felt proud of his feat.

The wildgeese have been under heavy hunting pressure of late. Once geese have fed on grain for a month they are akin to alcoholics ... its awful hard to break the habit. A hunter who lives in southern Queens not far from the Kings County line told me recently that the duck season opened in his area on August 15th and was going full blast by September 15th. Residents of the Rustico and Savage Harbour districts have reported that Sunday shooting had become as common in fact more so as week days. I asked the question: "Why are they not reported?" He gave me a knowing look and replied: "After November 8th maybe — it would be a waste of time before that date".

Quite recently I received information from a very reliable source that a party of four hunters from Montague, or its immediate area, shot 22 wildgeese on the opening morning. The hunters stated that the two extra geese were picked up some distance from their blind and there was no point in leaving them for a fox when someone could enjoy a roast goose dinner. What puzzled my informant is the fact that they are still hot on the trail of the big black and white honkers and take full advantage of every opportunity to make a killing. On Tuesday of this week a typical goose day for stubble feeding birds with its high winds and snowflurries I was told by an eye witness that four Montague hunters, alleged to be same 'opening morning quartette' that shot at Glenecoe, shot 19 geese in a field at Earnscliffe ... at least nineteen were picked up and carried to their car. Forty-one geese in two outings ... on the fifteenth and on November 2nd. This does not include the in between hunts and they are not on the few side.

The lack of foresight on the part of many of our hunting fraternity is absolutely deplorable. The big majority of our duck and goose hunters pay no attention whatsoever to bag limits ... shoot while the shooting is good is their motto. When there is nothing left to hunt or shoot they'll blame everything else but themselves. Like the farmer's cat during the short period of the 'Quail Bonanza'. One batch released spent every night behind a farmer's barn and every night she dined sumptuously on fresh killed quail until the last one was consumed. For days and weeks after their disappearance the cat would sit behind the barn for hours and cry her eyes out. It was quite a come-down from prime quail to musty long-tailed mice as a steady diet. It will also be quite a come-down for hunters when crowds will be the only target for their scatter guns in the feathered realm.

STANDINGS

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

	W	L	T	F	A	Pt
Chicago	4	0	1	23	9	9
Montreal	4	1	1	27	16	9
Detroit	2	3	1	18	20	5
Toronto	2	3	1	9	18	5
New York	1	2	1	16	12	3
Boston	0	4	1	8	26	1

MEAT EXPORTS RISE

Australian meat exports rose by 34,235 tons in 1964-65 to a total of 439,736

POWER KINGS GET TROPHY

Wallace Rodd donates the league championship trophy to Tom Monaghan, captain of the Power Kings. The presentation was made at the annual banquet of City Commercial Softball League at the Basilica Recreation Center last night. Others donating trophies were Ray Murphy and Neil Hooley. From the left are Mr. Hooley, Mr. Rodd, Mr. Monaghan and Ray Murphy. Other presentations were made to team members with the most home runs and the best batting and pitching averages.

Canadiens Maul Toronto Detroit Massacres Bruins

By AL McNEIL

MONTREAL (CP) — Montreal Canadiens, led by little Henri Richard with two goals and one assist, downed Toronto Maple Leafs 5-1 here Thursday night and moved into a first-place tie with Chicago Black Hawks in the National Hockey League.

The Canadiens have played one more game than the Hawks.

The Toronto loss coupled with a Red Wings' win over Boston Bruins left the Leafs and Detroit tied for second spot with five points—four back of the leaders.

Bobby Rousseau picked up his fourth goal of the season for the winners, and coupled with his eight assists to date, moved into first place in the individual scoring race with 12 points.

Other Montreal marksmen were centre Ralph Backstrom who picked up his initial goal of the season and Gilles Tremblay, who counted his second.

Toronto's lone goal came from defenceman Tim Horton.

The Canadiens, defending Stanley Cup champions, outshot the Leafs 41-25 and in the opening period marked up 18 shots on Terry Sawchuk, while the Leafs could manage but three on Montreal's Charlie Hodge.

Two of the first period shots by the Leafs came from the stick of big Frank Mahovlich.

SET PATTERN

Toronto coach Punch Imlach opened the game by sending out four defencemen and centre Bob Pulford to face the Richard line. However, this combination failed to stop the Montrealers as they set the pattern of the game in the first three minutes.

They swarmed around Sawchuk and appeared to unnerve the Toronto netminder by firing in long bouncing shots from the centre ice area.

Ralph Backstrom opened the scoring at the 3:38 mark of the first period when he beat Sawchuk on a screened shot from 15 feet.

The Canadiens made it 3-0 as they counted two goals in seven seconds early in the second period.

Rousseau and Beliveau were caught behind the Toronto goal, but Beliveau managed to come

HENRI RICHARD

up with the puck. He fired it to Rousseau from behind the net and the little rightwinger popped it in the corner at 2:01.

SUMMARY

First period: 1. Montreal, Backstrom 1 (Larose) 3:38; **Penalties** — Pappin 4:16, Duff 4:34, Mahovlich 14:53, Baun, Duff 16:30.

Second period: 2. Montreal, Rousseau 4 (Beliveau) 2:01; 3. Montreal, Richard 2, 2:08; 4. Toronto, Horton 1 (Kelly, Pulford) 2:50; 5. Montreal, Richard 3 (Provost) 9:12. **Penalties**—Jeffrey 5:55, G. Tremblay 13(26, Douglas 16:06.

Third period: 6. Montreal, G. Tremblay 2 (Richard, J. C. Tremblay) 11:24; **Penalty**—Horton 5:44.

Shots on goal by

Toronto	3	11	11	—25
Montreal	18	9	14	—41

DETROIT 8, BOSTON 1

DETROIT (AP)—Norm Ullman scored two goals and Ron Murphy picked up a goal and three assists in leading Detroit Red Wings to a lopsided 8-1 National Hockey League victory over Boston Bruins Thursday night.

Five of the Red Wing goals came in the second period with two of them—and one by the Bruins—coming in a span of 39 seconds.

Murphy opened the scoring at 6:51 of the first period, then drew assists on markers by Ullman 3 (Goegan) 10:31; **Penalties**—None.

Boston	0	7	10	—36
Detroit	8	15	12	—36

Gadsby's goal was his first in 130 games, including 21 playoff games. He scored his last goal against Montreal on Jan. 5, 1964.

None of the goals was scored on power plays despite the fact that referee Vern Buffey called eight penalties in the first two periods.

Each team had nine shots in the first period, but the Red Wings picked up the pace and finished with 36 shots at rookie Boston goalie Bernie Parent, who helped the Bruins tie Chicago 2-2 Wednesday.

Crozier turned away 25 Boston shots.

Boston has now lost four games and gained one tie in its five starts to date.

SUMMARY

First period: 1. Detroit, Murphy 1, (Bergman, Bathgate) 6:51; 2. Detroit, Martin 1, Martin 1, (Smith, Barkley) 17:33; **Penalties** — Delvecchio 2:43, Westfall 12:04, Awrey 14:16, MacDonald 20:00

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Second period: 3. Detroit Bathgate 3 (Murphy Gadsby) 3:05; 4. Detroit Ullman 2 (Smith, Murphy) 11:54; 5. Detroit Smith 1 (Ullman Murphy) 12:08; 6. Boston Williams 1 (Prentice Dillabough) 12:33; 7. Detroit Howe 1 (Delvecchio Bergman) 14:31; 8. Detroit, Gadsby 2 19:36. **Penalties** — Bergman 5:03, Henderson 9:08, Woytowich 16:24, Goegan 16:54.

Third period: 9. Detroit, Ull-

Vince Lombardi Signed To 1974

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP)—Maybe it's just a coincidence, but every time there's word that someone else would like to have Vince Lombardi coach his football team, Green Bay Packers extend his contract another five years. The one he signed Thursday carries him to 1974.

Thursday's action, which Packer President Dominic Olejniczak said "assures Packer fans of good and sound fundamental football at least another eight years," leaves the new Atlanta entry in the National Football League with only one magic name, that of Paul Brown, to wish upon for a coach and general manager when the franchise fields a team next year.

Lombardi had been mentioned along with Brown.

Technically, Lombardi's new pact is his fourth five-year contract since 1959, when he took on, as his first head coaching assignment, a hapless crew of somewhat confused athletes who had managed to win a single game in the 1958 NFL season.

In the six seasons since, the Packers have won three divisional titles, two world championships and currently are sailing along with a 6-1 record, tied for the Wstern Division lead with Baltimore Colts.

His original five-year contract was replaced with another in 1961, and in 1964—when it just happened that rumors were afoot concerning New York Giants' interest in reclaiming their old backfield coach—there was another which extended Lombardi's tenure to 1969.

Sydney Player Heads Scorers

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

Paul Andrea of Minnesota Rangers has scored four goals and four assists in as many games to hold the lead in the Central Professional Hockey League scoring race.

The North Sydey, N.S., native holds a one-point edge on four players deadlocked in second place, each with seven points. Five players are tied for the next position with six points each.

Norm Dennis of Houston Apallos, Skip Krake of Oklahoma Blazers and Andre Champagne of Tulsa Oilers share the league lead in goals with five each.

Dan Johnson of Tulsa leads the assist department with five

Oscar Gaudet of St. Joseph, N.B., who plays for St. Louis Braves, is tied with seven other players in 11th spot. He has counted three goals and assisted on two others for five points in four games.

The leaders:

	G	A	Pts.
Andrea, Minnesota	4	4	8
Champagne, Tulsa	5	2	7
Boudrias, Houston	4	3	7
Mestinsek, Memphis	4	3	7
Panagabko, Oklahoma	3	4	7
Dennis, Houston	5	1	6
Krake, Oklahoma	5	1	6
Peters, Memphis	3	3	6
Gagnon, Houston	2	4	6
Johnson, Tuulsa	1	5	6

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Shearwater Flyers Squad Faces Formidable Bears

MONTREAL (CP)—Montreal North Bears, Quebec's intermediate football champions, were to leave by train Thursday night

Winner of the contest will adfor their Saturday sudden-death Eastern Canada semi - final against Shearwater Flyers at Halifax.

Winner of the contest will advance to the Eastern final against the Ontario champion—either Toronto's East York Argonauts, Ontario Rugby Football Union champions or North Bay Tiger-Cats, NORFU champs.

The final is scheduled for either Halifax or Montreal, Saturday, Nov. 14, depending on the outcome of the East coast playoff.

The East-West final in the intermediate category will be played on the home grounds of the Eastern winner, Nov. 21.

This Saturday's game will be played at Halifax Wanderers Grounds starting at 2 p.m. AST.

Coached by Wenty Young, the Bears present a formidable mixture of size, experience and youth. Young, a former pro, has built his club around a nucleus of former professionals, university and junior grads.

Reports from Halifax have indicated that the Flyers' defensive line will outweigh the Montrealers.

However, Young said he is not discouraged by this fact and that he is looking to such former pros as tackles Ed Nowalkowski and Tom McManamy to hold their own in any heavy going.

In addition, the Bears have an experienced quarterback in George Tsonos who, like Nowalkowski and McManamy, has seen action with Montreal Alouettes of the Eastern Football Conference.

RETIRED 4 YEARS

Tsonos came out of retirement this season after a knee operation had sidelined him following the 1960-61 season at Montreal. He is a six-footer with an accurate throwing arm.

The Bears' prime receivers are Gord Griffiths, Jim Wills, Arnie Coones, Gary Coones and Jeff Smith.

Smith, 23, is primarily a fullback. He stands six-foot-one and weighs 210 pounds. He is scheduled for a 1966 spring tryout with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers of the Western Football Conference.

Another fullback, Fred Forsythe, is the same age, height and weight as Smith. Forsythe won all-star honors in his freshman year at Macdonald College here and like Smith will go to Winnipeg in the spring.

John Saliba, a 23-year-old offensive guard, attended Wyoming University on a scholarship provided by the Alouettes. He was with Quebec Rifles of the disbanded United Football League last season.

Larry Dorey, a six-foot-one defensive end, is in his second year with the Bears. He came to Montreal after playing the 1962-63 season with the Flyers.

Coach Young said he figures his club has an edge because the Flyers have not had too much competition this season in the Maritimes.

"There aren't too many teams that are as big as we are, and we figure this club (the Flyers) hasn't played too many good teams," Young said.

It will mark the first time in eight years that an intermediate playoff has been held in the Maritimes.

Ram Coach Gets Fine

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Coach Harland Svare of Los Angeles Rams said he has been fined $1,000 by National Football League Commissioner Peter Rozelle for criticizing officials.

Svare said he got the word Wednesday. Rozell's office in New York, following policy, declined to discuss it.

On Oct. 25 Svare told football writers here that in his opinion officials "are being intimidated in large stadiums away from Los Angeles." He cited Baltimore, where the Rams lost 38-30, and Chicago. He said he didn't question officials' integrity but felt they were being subconsciously influenced by the crowds.

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