

SPORTS FRONT

Scooter Line Comes To Life

By JIM CULLEN

The Chicago Black Hawks apparently played as they are capable of playing as they blanketed the high flying Detroit Red Wings in Chicago Tuesday night to square their best-of-seven series at three games apiece. The seventh and deciding game will be staged at the Detroit Olympia tonight and all the marbles will be on the line with the winner advancing against the Montreal Canadiens in the Stanley Cup final.

The "Scooter" line came to life on home ice in the sixth game after a most disappointing performance in Detroit Sunday night to pace the Billy Reay coached aggregation to their triumph. The "Goats" of Sunday night's battle in the Windy City were the stars of Tuesday night's tussle. Glenn Hall came up with a spectacular performance between the pipes for Black Hawks and Stan Mikita got in on the scoring act as Esposito, Mikita and Red Hay all connected for their second goals of the series with speedy Ken Wharram rounding out the scoring for the Billy Reay coached outfit.

While the Hawks were giving the Wings a hockey lesson the Montreal Canadiens were battling "tooth and nail" with the Toronto Maple Leafs in Maple Leaf Gardens. The Leafs are enjoying a comfortable 3-1 lead, when the siren went to end the first period and looked like sure-bets to force the series into seven games.

The Blackhawks kept plugging away and pulled within one goal of the defending Stanley Cup champions in the sandwich session and in the third period diminutive Bobby Rousseau tied the game for the "Flying Frenchmen" and forced an overtime.

In the overtime period we felt the Leafs missed at least three golden scoring opportunities as a result of the terrific work of one Lorne "Gump" Worsley and this columnist was amazed when Ed Sullivan overlooked "The Gumper" in his three star selection. Claude Provost, as predicted by Jacques Plante clinched a spot in the finals for his teammates when he beat Bower at the 16 minute mark of the overtime period.

Patriot sports-columnist William (Bill) Ledwell pulled off a little feat of his own on Tuesday night's game as he not only called for the Canadiens to wrap it up, but had the score right on the nose. Congratulations, Mr. Ledwell.

Tid Bits From Here And There

The following is a clipping forwarded to this columnist by a reader of this column who is a transplanted Islander now residing in Ottawa:

NHL JOURNEY: Eleven-year-old Timmy Taylor, son of Eddie Taylor, of 54 St. Barbara Avenue, in Blossom Park, sends along a clever essay he composed entirely on his own. Tim's a bit of a hockey fan, as you'll note and not a bad man with the words:

"After leaving the MCKENZIE RIVERS our train passed near Mt. KENNEDY and STANLEY park. There were many DOUGLAS firs, which were covered with rough BARBLEY. I went to my room in the PULLMAN car, pulled the MCKORD on the light and got a SHOCK. When I drew the KELLY GREEN KURTENBACH I noticed a SHACK on a HILLMAN around which were PLANTEZ LAROSE BOWERS. Up above I saw what appeared to be a weather BALON, at least I thought that's what they use that WOLFUR.

When I walked out into the HALL, I stepped in a PAILLE of home BREWER. It splashed on the SEILING, e-GADSBY. I NEVIN saw such a mess. I rang the BELLIVAN and asked the STEWART for a NEILSON or an O'HENRY chocolate bar.

When I arrived in BULL, I stepped into my PAFFORD, turned the KEON, and immediately smashed into a BROWN BUCKY. The driver wore the uniform of a PILOTE. He was TALBOT, when he twisted my ARMSTRONG I gave forth MOHNS. I said HAY, you're HORTON me. So he twisted my arm MOORE. I tripped him on his BACKSTROM, and ran away.

With great JOYAL I ran down the street but was frightened by a RATTLE snake near a LEITER box. When I returned home I decided to take a BATHGATE and MARKI cup of coffee. I then felt much CROZIER.

I thought, HOWELL I AM ABLE to finish this STOREY? HOWE ELLIS, but to say the end."

And HOWE is that for a REAY of WARRAM sunshine, from an 11-year-old!

Clarence Campbell, 60-year-old president of the National Hockey League, was released from Sunnybrook Hospital Wednesday afternoon and travelled to Montreal. He was under close observation while in the Toronto hospital and when he left for Montreal it was very doubtful that he would be able to resume his presidential duties during the remainder of the Stanley Cup series.

We think the injury to Jacques Laperriere will play havoc with the Leafs' defensive lineup in the Stanley Cup finals this season. The big rugged defensive ace was a standout performer for the Canadiens all during the regular schedule and against the Leafs in the semi-finals and his injury will leave a big hole to be filled by a not too potent Montreal farm system.

Joe Durelle will place his Canadian welterweight boxing title on the line May 4 in a 12-round return bout with Armond Savoie. It was announced Tuesday, it will be the third meeting between the Montreal based fighters. Durelle, 35, won the earlier bouts, both by decision. For Savoie, 35, a veteran making a comeback it will be his second shot at Durelle's title.

QUIT HIS JOB

New Brunswick Jockey Out Of The Woods Now

By AL COLLETTI  
NEW YORK (CP)—Ron Turcotte quit a \$50-a-week job in a northern New Brunswick lumber camp five years ago, convinced almost any other kind of work would be an improvement. He may have had some doubts when, after a period of unemployment in Toronto, he was hired by E. P. Taylor's Windfields Farms to clean stalls and cool out thoroughbred racehorses.

But today he knows he's out of the woods. Turcotte is one of North America's most successful jockeys, a tough, dedicated young man of 23 who has booted home more than 70 winners for purses worth around \$2,500,000.

First in Canada, and now in the United States, he has earned a reputation as a "belly rider"—the sort of jockey who refuses to admit his mount is beaten until the race is over.

This, combined with the frugality learned as one of 14 children back home, gives promise of wealth and security undreamed of when he was growing up in Grand Falls, N.B.

Rated by some American trainers as the best jockey to come out of Canada in years, Turcotte drives a new white Cadillac, lives in a comfortable apartment not far from New York's Aqueduct racetrack and is determined to improve on the \$3,000 a week he pulled down in 1964.

RODE DANCER  
Turcotte packed his tack and left Toronto in the fall of 1963, figuring the U.S. was where he'd prove himself. He did.

"I love Canada and I went back there last year to ride," he says, "but there are more chances here to prove yourself. Winning a race at Aqueduct is like two winners in Canada, and you get a better class of horse."

Not that he didn't get some good ones in Canada. He was the first jockey to ride Northern Dancer. That was when the Taylor colt was a two-year-old, the year before he won the Kentucky Derby and Preakness.

At Toronto Woodbine in 1962 Turcotte had an amazing string of 72 winners in 42 days. When he left for the U.S. a page was inserted in the Woodbine program entitled "A fond farewell to Ron Turcotte." And, says a Toronto jockey club official, "now we follow him as though he was a full brother of Northern Dancer."

Born July 22, 1941, into a French-Canadian family, the sandy-haired, hazel-eyed jockey stands five-foot-one and has no trouble keeping his weight around 110 pounds.

After completing eight years of schooling at 14 he went to work with his lumberjack father.

"For two years I hauled lumber with a team of horses, by chain and sled, and for two years after that I cut down trees. I know how to swing an axe, use a chain saw or snake logs with a horse. Anything is better than that."

Turcotte was 18 when he left for Toronto where his brother had a construction job. Jobs were hard to find and he was often turned down because of his size.

His landlord suggested he try the track and Joe Thomas, Windfields stable manager, hired him to muck stalls and walk hots. After six months he advanced to galloping runners and was soon breaking yearlings.

Turcotte rejected an apprenticeship contract, not wanting to be second-string to Avelino Gomez, then Windfields' regular contract rider. He signed a three-year contract with stable owner Gordon Huntley.

On June 21, 1961, Turcotte was given a leg up on his first



MOST HAPPY FELLOWS

Three of Montreal Canadiens' big guns congratulate each other in the dressing room after downing Toronto Maple Leafs to win their best-of-seven Stanley Cup semi-final series four games to two. John Ferguson, who scored Habs' first goal, reaches over to pat Bobby Rousseau, who scored Montreal's third goal, forcing the game into overtime. Claude Provost (centre) scored the winning goal to put Canadiens into their first final series since 1960. (CP Wirephoto)

Black Hawk's Billy Reay Reservations Were Made

By JERRY GLADMAN  
DETROIT (CP)—Coach Billy Reay made a prediction last week that the Stanley Cup best-of-seven semi-final series between his Chicago Black Hawks and Detroit Red Wings would go the limit.

PROBABLE PITCHERS

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Probable pitchers for today's major league baseball games (last season's win-loss records in brackets):  
National League  
Houston, Johnson (11-16) at New York, Fisher (10-17).  
Chicago, Jackson (24-11) at Milwaukee, Sadowski (9-10).  
San Francisco, Hendry (10-11) or Herbel (9-9) at Philadelphia, Herbert (6-7) (N).  
Los Angeles, Podres (0-2) at Pittsburgh, Cardwell (1-2) (N).  
Cincinnati, Teitouris (9-13) at St. Louis, Purkey (11-9) (N).  
American League  
Washington, Daniels (8-10) at Chicago, Buzhardt (10-8).  
Detroit, Wickersham (19-12) at Minnesota, Pascual (15-12).  
Cleveland, Donovan (7-9) at Kansas City, Pena (12-14) (N).  
New York, Stottlemyre (9-3) at Los Angeles, Lopez (0-0) (N).

Main Brace Wins Tourney

The following are the results of the last week's action in the Inter-Club Cribbage League: The Main Brace captured top spot in the final standings.

CURLING DRAW

The following is the curling draw for Thursday night at the Charlottetown Club:  
7 P.M.  
Ice 1: Old Spain final v. E. Thomson vs. winner of Bob Martin and Roger Goss.  
Ice 2: Open.  
Ice 3: City championship game.  
Ice 4: (Club mixed final) Dr. Gallant vs. Russ Ewing.  
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Montreal's Hector Blake Ponders Defence Problem

By AL MCNEIL  
MONTREAL (CP)—Montreal's Leaf-conquering Canadiens rested Wednesday while club strategists pondered a replacement for defenceman Jacques Laperriere, lost for the remainder of the playoffs with a broken leg.

Laperriere, who topped the all-star poll for the first half-season, suffered the injury in the third period of Tuesday night's game in Toronto.

Montreal downed the Maple Leafs 4-3 in overtime to eliminate the defending Stanley Cup champions in six games.

It is the first time Canadiens have been in a final series since 1960. The club will be in search of its sixth Stanley Cup under current coach Toe Blake and the 11th of its colorful history.

Laperriere, who contributed a second-period goal in Tuesday's winning effort, drew 84 of a possible 90 votes in mid-season all-star voting and also led the race for the Norris Trophy, awarded annually to the Na-

tional Hockey League's best rearguard. Last season he won the Calder Trophy as the NHL's top rookie.

Several possibilities appeared open to him.

The most likely one seemed to be to use Jean-Guy Talbot as the fourth regular defenceman along with J.G. Tremblay, Ted Harris and Terry Harper. Talbot, a versatile veteran used primarily as a penalty-killer against the Leafs, played a regular turn on defence Tuesday and came up with a strong effort.

To fill the hole in the roster left by Laperriere's absence, Blake may use Noel Picard, the giant rookie who played the last few games of the regular schedule, but has not dressed for the playoffs so far. Or he could take advantage of playoff rules and call up a new face from one of Montreal's farm teams.

Picard skated at the Forum Wednesday along with netminder Charlie Hodge, sidelined since suffering a groin injury in the second game of the semi-finals, and utility forward Gary Peters. The rest of the team had the day off at home with their families.

"Picard is not in too good shape because he has not had an opportunity to play," Blake said. "I left him in Montreal to practise rather than have him sitting in Toronto watching the game."

DECLINED COMMENT  
The Montreal coach declined comment on the possibility of Picard being inserted in the lineup for the final series against either Detroit Red Wings or Chicago Black Hawks. The finals will open either in Montreal Saturday or Detroit Sunday.

Blake had high praise for his blueline corps' performance against Toronto.

"Everybody has played well," J. C. said, "but a terrific series," the coach said.

"Naturally we're going to miss Jacques... we're just fortunate the rest have been playing so well and perhaps they'll take up the slack."

"Harris has done a fine job for us," he added.

DID TWO JOBS  
Talbot has been doing two jobs up to now, and he's done well.

Blake used Talbot as a penalty-killer, defenceman and occasionally inserted him at left wing to bolster offence during the Toronto series.

Harper benched in the second period of Tuesday's thriller, came in for his share of praise from the coach.

Plans Are Made For Golf Course

MONTAGUE — A much larger crowd than was anticipated was on hand last Friday night at the Legion Home to consider the feasibility of a golf course at Bradenell Park.

The crowd from all the surrounding areas including Cardigan, Georgetown and Montague also included men and women of mixed ages.

A couple of years ago a committee had been appointed from the Regional Board of Trade to seek information on the suitability of the Stafford Gordon property for a golf course, since has been done and it was the opinion of Friday's meeting that the formation of a golf club and a start with temporary greens should be made at the provincial park at Bradenell if the that time consideration research land could be made available to the club, and in some manner, power lawn mowers could be obtained to cut the grass for a nine hole golf course.

This would be a rough course until such time as assistance might be available from some government source such as National Parks, ARDA etc. The proposed course could be laid out on the present Stafford Gordon property south of the main highway and could be a nine hole par 70 course with a distance of 2065 yards.

Most of the work on such a course would have to be done by the members. Buildings and land have more or less been promised to the area for such a golf course. A committee has been appointed to approach the provincial government to get facts and to report back to a public meeting as soon as possible.

At this second meeting an organizational committee is to be set up, a financial committee and a membership committee appointed if the proposed plan is to be carried out.

Until now the Montague Regional Board of Trade has taken most of the action, but they have strong support from the town council of Montague, the tourist industry of the area, the Royal Canadian Legion and other organizations of the area.

The enthusiasm shown at Friday's meeting would indicate an immediate start so that golfing could take place this year. A driving range has been in operation at this park for the past couple of years.

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