

Munition Maroons Meet Volants in Second Playdown Battle Tonight

Maritime Champions Confident of Victory Over Speedy Hull Clan

George Bell Expected to Play --- "Dud" James Hopeful

OTTAWA, March 23—George Bell practiced yesterday with the rest of his Moncton Maroon teammates and probably will be back in action when the Maritime champions clash with Hull Volants in the second game of the Allan Cup series here tonight.

Bell was hurt above the right knee when he collided with Paul Bordeleau, Hull defenceman, in the first game of the best of three series Saturday night. Coach Dud James was hopeful he would take his place on right wing.

The rest of the squad came through the first game without injury. Buzz Barton, who stood the fans up with some fine saves in the opening encounter, will again be between the pipes tonight, and the fast-skating defencemen Bill Bastarache and Reese Dickie, will be in front of him.

The first line of George Appleby, Bell and Babe LeBlanc will probably start. If Bell is unable to play, Laird Crowhurst will take his place.

Coach Gene Decosse of the Volants will have Louis St. Denis in the Hull nets, with Bordeleau and Stan Pratt on defence. Pete Howe probably will start at centre, with Gene Sauvageau and Frank Jansen on the wings.

GRIMM SEES FIVE CLUBS IN FLAG CHASE

Cubs, Giants, Pirates, Reds, Cards Rate Highly

AVALON, Calif., March 22—Manager Charlie Grimm of Chicago Cubs believes the National Baseball League pennant chase will be a race among five clubs, one of which will be the Cubs.

"—and we'll be fighting it out at the top," he declared yesterday. New York, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Cincinnati and the Cubs—those are the five—but with no attempt to name the finishing order.

"We'll be in there, wait and see," said Grimm, "and with just about the same club we had last year."

Three new faces loom brightest on the Cub roster. One old familiar figure is gone—Lon Warneke, veteran pitcher traded to the Cardinals.

Two of the newcomers are Leroy Parmelee, lanky right-hander, and Ripper Collins, first baseman, received from St. Louis in the Warneke trade. The other is Joe Marty, slugging outfielder who hit .359 with San Francisco last year.

Collins Adds Punch Collins is expected to lead a punch, something of the old St. Louis infield house gang variety, to the Cub infield. With the crack combination of Billy Herman at second, Bill Jurgess at short, and the veteran Stan Hack at third, Grimm views his infield as one of the best in the league.

The outfield may be a problem, but it won't be if Frank Demaree retains his .350 batting average of 1936, Augie Galan regains his 1935 form and Marty lives up to promise. Galan hit .314 in 1935, slumped to .264 last season.

With the veteran Gabby Hartnett and Ken O'Dea as regular catchers, Bob Garbark, up from Toledo, and Hal Smea, rookie from Birmingham, are fighting for the extra backstop berth. Both show promise.

Grimm said he would carry nine pitchers. Regulars on board are Larry French, Bill Lee, Tex Carleton, Curt Davis, the veteran Charlie Root, Parmelee and Clay Bryant. Clyde Shoun, with Birmingham in 1936, probably will stay on, and the ninth has not been determined.

St. Pats in Ottawa For Cup Play-Downs

OTTAWA, March 23—Amherst St. Pats, junior hockey champions of the Maritimes, arrived here yesterday for their Memorial Cup playdown series with Ottawa Rideaus.

St. Pats reported in the top shape and worked out later today before watching the Ottawa and District final between Perth and Rideaus tonight. The playdown between the winners of the series and St. Pats will start Wednesday, with the second game scheduled for Friday.

BRUINS FAVORITES TO BEAT MAROONS

BOSTON, March 23—Now we are all set for the playoffs. The Bruins hope to take the Maroons in two straight games, but if a third game is necessary, it will be played at the Garden next Sunday. The Maroons will not be as strong as they should be, for Jimmy Ward, their best right wing, is a 'flu victim and cannot be expected to play, or if he does play, cannot be expected to be at his best.

Fans are not concerned, or excited, about the Maroons. Their interest is with the Bruins only.

In the season the Bruins won four out of six games from the Maroons. The Maroons won the first game, 3 to 2, and the fifth, 2-0, but the Bruins won the others, 5-0, 3-0, 2-1, and 2-1.

Many hockey fans think that the Bruins will overpower the Maroons but will have trouble when they tackle the Maple Leafs if Toronto should beat the Rangers.

If the Bruins beat the Maroons and the Leafs beat the Rangers it is likely that the semi-final series will start at Toronto a week from tomorrow.

But if Toronto wins in two straight and the Bruins win in two straight the semi-final series may start at the Garden next Sunday.

If the Rangers should beat Toronto in two straight and the Bruins beat the Maroons two straight it is likely that the semi-final series would start at New York next Sunday. Detroit, despite the loss of Larry Aurie, is the solid team of the league.

KEATING HIGH INTAM LEAGUE SCORING RACE

They held Jack Keating to a single assist in the last week of the International-American Hockey League, but the former Saint John Beaver did not have a serious rival for top-scoring honors among the Maritimers in the league.

The free-skating playmaker of Providence Reds wound up the season with 12 goals and 31 assists for 43 points and a 13-point edge on his line mate, teammate and Maritime-mate, Duggie Kuhn.

Kuhn, native of Kentville, N.S., and one-time Truro Bearcat, piled up 18 goals and 13 assists for second place ahead of New Glasgow's Lloyd Jackson, former big leaguer, now with New Haven Eagles. Jackson put on a great finishing spurt, garnering two goals and two assists to run his total to 24.

Three other former 'Downeasters'—Walter Brenneman, from Saint John and Charlottetown; Bert Connolly of the famous Moncton Hawks, and Sammy McManus, another former Hawk—finished the schedule with more than 20 points. Of the three, Brenneman had the best week, picking up three assists.

Ron Hudson, who sported a Halifax Wolverine sweater a few seasons ago and 'Knucker' Irvine, another one-time Moncton Hawk, trailed their brother Maritimers with 16 and 13 points, respectively.

The record:

	G.	A.	Pts.
Keating, Providence	12	31	43
Kuhn, Providence	17	12	30
Jackson, New Haven	5	19	24
Brenneman, Cleveland	9	13	22
McManus, Providence	12	9	21
Connolly, Philadelphia	9	12	21
Hudson, Pittsburgh	9	7	16
Irvine, Providence	5	8	12

N.H.L. STATISTICS HELD FOR CHECK

MONTREAL, March 23—Weekly scoring statistics usually released from National Hockey League headquarters here Monday, will not be available for several days, Frank Calder, N.H.L. president said tonight. Final figures on the league season which ended last night are being held up for a final check, he said.

The statistics probably will be released Thursday.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., March 21—Ellsworth Vines defeated Fred Perry 9-7, 3-6, 6-1, Saturday night to go two up on the English tennis star in their professional tour of the United States. Vines had won 19 matches to 17 for Perry.

MONTANEZ BLASTS HIS WAY TO RECOGNITION IN HARLEM

He Should Be Giving Lou Ambers Something to Worry About

NEW YORK, March 23—A new idol has arisen among the Latins in Manhattan, a new hero in Harlem . . . they are calling him Don Diablo (De Debbil) . . . in flesh and blood he's Pedro Montanez, and when he is called he comes out fighting.

A Montanez vogue has been growing upon Harlem since September, 1935, when the little brown Puerto Rican bowed in with a smashing victory over Steve Halaiko . . . the colored lightweight stormed through the small clubs like a typhoon . . . now he has ripped his way to national recognition by capturing a crowd at Madison Square Garden, where he crushed game, determined Enrico Venturi in 15 slashing rounds.

Don Diablo has had 23 fights in United States . . . he says he has "enjoyed" every one of them . . . and he has not been beaten or held to a draw. Sooner or later Champion Lou Ambers must take notice of this muscular mite from the alleys of El Cayey, and when he does, Signor D'Ambrosio is destined to find himself with somewhat the same problem on his hands that featherweights and lightweights of an earlier day were offered in the person of Joe Rivers. Montanez has the same devilish persistence that characterized the great Mexican, and the same fierce love of fighting.

Sir Devil has succeeded to the throne that Kid Chocolate (Eligio Sardinias) once proudly occupied on Lennox Avenue, strip of territory on the lower tip of Harlem where the tongue of the Conquistadores (garbed slightly in transmission) is the dominant language . . . before his recent meeting with Venturi, Montanez hired a hall and staged an invitational victory ball, charging six bits. . . Banners and signs, pro-

claiming Pedro's victory over Venturi even before he had stepped into the ring, featured the ornate decorations of the auditorium . . . it was a sort of semi-official championship crowning, the outcome of the fight being taken for granted.

Stopped by a Brick Twenty-two years old, Montanez has been fighting for four years, professionally, that is. Actually he has been fighting since he was a barefooted urchin struggling for existence in Cayey. Once he was struck above the left eye by a flying brick. He fought for nothing for years before he learned that people actually were paid for such a pleasant pursuit.

On his record are knockouts successively scored in Venezuela, Central America, Spain, France, England and Italy. Lew Burston, American manager, picked him up in Barcelona after he had dropped a couple of Dons into a deep coma. Burston took him to Paris, where Promoter Jeff Dickson, the American, gave him four matches, and he scored four knockouts. After three fights in England, he invaded Milan to meet Carlo Orlandi, Italy's best and the bout ended tragically for Orlandi, who had to give up fighting forever after months in hospital, recovering from the effects of the trouncing he took.

In about 18 months in New York he has beaten welters as well as lightweights. Standing out on the list of his victims are such names as Al Roth, Bobby Pachio, Frankie Klick, Leonard Del Genio, Aldo Spolito. He has had some trouble with his hands, too, and when Klick opened that old brickbat wound above his eye, he retired to Puerto Rico for a vacation. But now Don Diablo is definitely tip top again, and Lou Ambers must be wondering about him just a little.

MAJOR M'LAUGHLIN ASKS BIG PRICES FOR HIS HAWK STARS

Chicago N.H.L. Owner is Inconsistent --- Prefers American-Born Players to Canadians on His Team But Places Stiff Price Tags on Latter

NEW YORK, March 22—Clem Loughlin led his Chicago Black Hawks away to Boston today to wind up their National Hockey League seasonal efforts against the Bruins, firmly refusing to predict what next winter might have in store.

Manager Clem said he would not discuss the possible make-up of the Hawks for the 1937-38 season, because he could not see that far ahead.

Five American-born players were in the squad Loughlin led on the train after winning over the Rangers and losing to the Americans here. Clem said he did not know if there would be additional "All Americans" on the team next year, but it was earlier reported from another reliable source that all Canadian-born puckmen now wearing Chicago colors could be considered on the market when the final whistle blows in Boston.

Maj. Frederic McLaughlin, owner of the team, was described as determined to give his All-American experiment a thorough testing next fall and ready to replace every Canadian he can sell by an American-born puck-tamer.

\$35,000 For Siebert

However, the prices the Major was reported to have placed on the heads of his Canadian players left the impression he might have great difficulty in getting them off his hands. For instance, \$35,000 was said to be the sale ticket on Earl Siebert, flashy defenceman from Kitchener, Ont. An almost equally tall figure was said to have been marked on Paul Thompson, Calgary product who still is a sharpshooter but growing no younger rapidly.

It was suggested to Loughlin that in case a ready market was lacking for Chicago's "furriners" they might be nice to have around next winter if a team of satisfactory Americans could not be rounded up.

Did he think that was perhaps in the back of the Major's mind when he was setting the prices on his men? The Hawk manager quickly switched the subject around to the Stanley Cup playdowns, almost at hand. "Boston is the dangerous team," said Clem. "In Thompson they have

the best money playing goalminder in the business. And don't forget the goalie is easily 50 per cent. of the team.

Praises Rookies "The Bruins have their fast and powerful lines, blended perfectly with experience and youth. Talking of youngsters I don't think I ever saw better prospects than Milt Schmidt and Ray Getliffe. So I am calling Boston even though the Montreal Maroons have a club fairly seething with power. Unfortunately the Maroons have no system.

"If there is a big upset watch for New York Rangers to pull it. I do not think Detroit can go far without Laurie Aurie. Toronto and Montreal Canadiens, to my way of thinking, lack the power and stamina necessary to go right through."

Hudson Gets Goal In Hornet Victory

PITTSBURGH, March 21—Pittsburgh Hornets wound up their regular schedule in the International-American Hockey League today with a 3-0 triumph over Philadelphia's Ramblers.

Hornets, second placers in the Western Division of the circuit, open their post-season series Wednesday night at Syracuse and the Ramblers, winners of the Eastern Section title, will play the victors of the Providence-Springfield series for the right to meet the Pittsburgh-Syracuse series winners.

Clarence Drouillard counted two of the goals and Carl Liscomb, Ronnie Hudson and Johnny Sherf made the others.

Ottawa Rideaus Win Junior Round

OTTAWA, March 23—After being outclassed through the first period by Perth Juniors, Ottawa Rideaus came back strong to tie the Gene Chouinard's team 6-6 last night and win the Ottawa and District junior total 9-8 on the round.

They will oppose Amherst St. Pats here in an Eastern Canada Memorial Cup playdown starting Wednesday.

"AROUND THE SPORT CLOCK"

-- with -- "Dinny" Dinsmore

The N.H.L. play-off battle gets underway tonight on two Canadian and one U.S. battlefield. At Detroit, the 1936 champion Redwings will entertain the Montreal Canadiens in the first of a "five-game series" for the N.H.L. title. At Toronto, the Leafs will play hosts to Lester Patrick's swift-moving Rangers, while the Boston Bruins invade the Montreal Maroon camp in the first of a "three-game series. Scores should be at a minimum as the opposing teams seem to resemble each other in their style of play. The Maroon-Bruin game will probably develop into a close checking game with breaks deciding the outcome. The other two games, no doubt, will produce a fast and rugged brand of hockey.

Harvey Jackson, rated as one of the best "stick-handlers" in the game, placed fifth in the N.H.L. scoring list this year. Jackson was aided greatly by the two outstanding first-year men to appear in some time, Syl Apps and Gordie Drillon. "Red" Horner again led the "bad men" as he spent 125 minutes with the timers. Normie Smith led the goalers in the number of "shutouts," namely, six, and allowed raiding snipers to score but 102 goals.

The Moncton Maroons and the Hull Volants resume their series tonight at Ottawa. The Hub pucksters are the youngest club ever to represent the Maritimes in Allan Cup warfare, and were a bit "jittery" in Saturday night's game. They must win tonight in order to stay in the running, and Dud James, a great coach and leader, can be relied upon to make the boys do their best.

Bob Feller, who set an American League "strike out" record in his second mound performance under the "big tent" last summer by "fanning" 17 Philadelphia batsmen, is again with the Cleveland Indians, and experts predict that if young Feller starts where he left off at last fall, the Indians will be handy the top when the curtain falls on the 1937 baseball drama.

During the course of a recent snooker game at London, Joe Davis fell three points short of breaking the world's record score of 133 points held by Sidney Smith. He would have hung up a record but there were no more balls on the table. However, that record is something for local cue experts to shoot at.

Syl Apps of Toronto Maple Leafs became officially the best rookie of the National Hockey League season tonight with announcement by The Canadian Press that the Paris, Ont., boy headed its annual poll of hockey writers in N.H.L. cities.

Apps, 21-year-old centre and former Olympic pole vaulter, will be the first holder of the Calder trophy, an award offered by president Frank Calder of the N.H.L. for the best newcomer of each season. Selection of the Toronto sensation was almost unanimous.

Gordon Drillon, former Moncton Red Indian, placed second. Getliffe, former Charlottetown Abbie and Saint John Beaver, came third.

Winners of Allan Cup Since 1905

Following are the winners to date of the Allan Cup, emblematic of the senior amateur hockey championship of Canada:

1908—Ottawa Cliffhiders.	G	A	Pts
1909—Queen's University.	16	17	33
1910—St. Michael's College.	14	19	33
1911—Winnipeg Victorias.	7	12	19
1912—Winnipeg Victorias.	3	9	12
1913—Winnipeg Hockey Club.	3	1	4
1914—Regina Victorias.	22	22	35
1915—Winnipeg Victorias.	16	15	31
1916—Winnipeg 61st Battalion.	3	7	10
1917—Toronto Dentals.	5	4	9
1918—Kitchener.			
1919—Hamilton Tigers.			
1920—Winnipeg Falcons.			
1921—University of Toronto.			
1922—Toronto Granites.			
1923—Toronto Granites.			
1924—Salt Ste. Marie.			
1925—Port Arthur.			
1926—Port Arthur.			
1927—University of Toronto Grads.			
1928—University of Manitoba.			
1929—Port Arthur.			
1930—Montreal A.A.A.			
1931—Winnipeg.			
1932—Toronto Nationals.			
1933—Moncton Hawks.			
1934—Moncton Hawks.			
1935—Halifax Wolverines.			
1936—Kimberley Dynamiters.			

Detroit Red Wings And Canucks Open Stanley Cup Playoffs

PRO HOCKEY TOO ROUGH, IS CLAIM

MONTREAL, March 22—Reformers in this city and in other spots in the Dominion are decrying professional hockey and they want it legislated out of business. Injuries have mounted and appeals are being made in many places to Frank Calder, president of the National Hockey League, to adopt measures that will check the butchery, as it is called.

Hints that Howie Morenz was the victim of injuries suffered right here in the Forum have been heard.

And they add that Doug Young, Jim Ward, Buzz Boll, Pete Lepine, Charlie Conacher, George Brown, Laurie Aurie and others have been badly shaken up.

This season has been the worst in the history of the loop, and many players will be glad when the season's final whistle is heard.

COWLEY LEADER OF MARITIMERS IN N.H.L. SCORING

MONTREAL, March 23—Bill Cowley's last-game point-making burst, in which he picked up four assists, shot the former Halifax Wolverine star to the top of the point-making among former Maritimers in the National Hockey League.

The Boston Bruin centre, enjoying his best season in the big league, finished up the schedule with 35 points from 13 goals and 22 assists to edge out Toronto's Gord Drillon and Americans' Eddie Wiseman by two pts. Drillon, in line for the N.H.L. Lady Byng trophy as the most gentlemanly player, had 16 goals in his 33-point total. The one-time Moncton junior and Ray Getliffe, once a Saint John Beaver and Charlottetown star, led the former Maritimers in the goal shooting division with 16 each.

Wiseman, a native of Newcastle, N. B., picked up four points in the last week in taking a share of second place. His total included 14 goals.

Out of Playoffs Of the former Maritimers, only Wiseman and Joe Lamb, another American from Sussex, N. B., will not see playoff activity. But Cowley and Getliffe are expected to continue their powerful drive as Bruins meet Montreal Maroons and Drillon is being counted on for his scoring and back-checking in Toronto's drive for the Stanley Cup.

Four former Maritimers—Joffre Desilets of Canadiens, formerly a Saint John Beaver; Bill Miller of Canadiens, former Moncton Hawk; Bill Hollett of Boston, North Sydney, N. S., native, and Pete Kelly of Detroit, former Charlottetown wing—failed to get any points in the last week. The records:

	G	A	Pts
Drillon, Toronto	16	17	33
Wiseman, Americans	14	19	33
Desilets, Canadiens	7	12	19
Lamb, Americans	3	9	12
Mfler, Canadiens	3	1	4

	G	A	Pts
Cowley, Boston	22	22	35
Getliffe, Boston	16	15	31
Hollett, Boston	3	7	10
Kelly, Detroit	5	4	9

Court Order Issued For Jim Braddock

MIAMI, Fla., March 22—Madison Square Garden Corporation obtained a circuit court order today requiring James J. Braddock, heavyweight champion, to show cause why he should not fight Max Schmeling in New York June 3.

Francis M. Miller, attorney for the Garden, told the court the New York Corporation would suffer "irreparable damage" should Braddock ignore the Schmeling fight and, instead, meet Joe Louis in Chicago June 22.

Sheriff's deputies searched for Braddock with the order commanding him to appear April 8 before Circuit Judge H. F. Atkinson and give his reasons for not complying with the Garden contract.

The court would decide after the April hearing whether an injunction should be issued restraining Braddock from meeting Louis.

Flying Frenchmen in Top Form -- Adams Confident

DETROIT, March 23—Hopes buoyed by an announcement of Manager Jack Adams tonight that 'Scotty' Bowman will play, Detroit Red Wings are confident they will take the measure of Montreal Canadiens here tonight in the first game of the National Hockey League championship playoffs.

Bowman received a thigh muscle injury in a game with Toronto Maple Leafs Saturday and it was feared it would develop into a serious charley-horse. However, he took part in a practice session yesterday in which the Wings emphasized power plays.

On the other hand, Manager Cecil Hart refused to let his 'Flying French men' don skates before the game. He ordered rest, instead, Canadians arrived yesterday afternoon, all in excellent condition, according to Hart, who announced that Toe Blake flying young rookie, has recovered from a fractured hand and would be available for the series.

Blake played his first game Sunday after a long layoff.

Detroit hockey experts predicted a sensational series although much bewildered in attempting to pick a winner. Throughout the regular season, Detroit's high-scoring forces won only one game from Canadiens, division champions, while Hart's men whipped the Wings four times and one game ended in a deadlock.

HOCKEY SCORES

Memorial Cup Playdowns
Copper Cliff 5, St. Michael's College, Toronto, 2. (First of best of three series.)

Ottawa 6, Perth 6. (Ottawa wins round 9-8 and will now meet Amherst St. Pats.)

SCHEDULED TONIGHT
Stanley Cup Playdowns
Canadiens at Detroit. (First game, best of three of five, for the N.H.L. title.)

Boston at Maroons. (First game, best of three, Stanley Cup elimination.)

Rangers at Toronto. (First game, best of three, Stanley Cup eliminations.)

Allan Cup (First Round)
Moncton vs. Hull at Ottawa. (Second of best of three series. Hull one game up.)

Maritime Intermediate
Victoria, P.E.I., at St. Andrews, N. B. (First of two-game, total-goal series for the Maritime title.)

DOW SETTLEMENT

DOW SETTLEMENT, March 22—Worship service was held Sunday evening. A large number attended and many visitors were present. The pastor brought to us a most impressive and inspiring message based on the Crucifixion of Our Lord. He also gave some interesting thoughts, based on Palm Sunday. Worship service next Lord's Day will be at 10 o'clock. Plan to be present and receive the Easter blessing that is in store for you. Also plan to attend the service in the evening under the auspices of the W.M.A.S. A very interesting programme has been arranged. A number of the men have returned home from the woods.

Katherine Frederick of Creek Road was the guest at the home of Mrs. Reta McLellan on Sunday.

Mrs. Eden Patterson was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Walker Thursday.

Clifford Johnson and Norman Grant were callers at the home of Mrs. Sandy Moody on Sunday.

Mrs. Reta McLellan, Donald McLellan and Janie McLellan were the Sunday guests of her mother, Mary Cummings was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Eden Patterson.

Madeline and Bertha Dow of Creek Road were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Walker.



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