MAJOR REASON Bobby Hull of Chicago Black Hawks has been riding high in the individual scoring race is seen above. Hull never stops fighting for the puck and here controls it lying flat on his stomach. He topped the NHL statistics for two weeks before Bronco Horvath of Boston got hot to tie him.
—CP photo.

Wobbly NHL defences stiffen

By The Canadian Press

Two of the National Hockey Leagues wobbliest defences stiffened suddenly Sunday night and the NHLs two top teams found themselves blanked.

Glenn Hall of Chicago Black Hawks, outstanding in Chicago's 2-1 loss to Montreal Canadiens Saturday, was even better Sunday when Chicago whitewashed the league-leaders 3-0.

At Boston, the mask was on the other face as Bruins goaler Don Simmons, wearing the early-type, one-piece mask pioneered by Montreal's Jacques Plante, presided at the 4-0 clobbering of second place Toronto Maple Leafs.

Saturday, the Bruins had beaten Toronto 3-2. But the double disaster didn't affect Toronto's standing.

The Leafs' closest rivals, Detroit Red Wings, managed only a 3-3 tie and a 4-3 loss to New York Rangers and failed to move out of third place. They are one point behind Toronto and 12 behind the Canadiens, who have 55 points.

Hall stopped 31 shots Sunday to earn his third shutout this season.

Plante had to make 41 stops in one of his busiest nights of the year.

Saturday, Canadiens had to come up with one of their better games as they downed Chicago 2-1 on goals by Beliveau and Andre Pronovost. Warram scored the Hawk's lone goal. Hall made 42 stops and Plante wearing his new-style, plastic-bar mask, made 31.

It was Boston's first shutout of the year. Charlie Burns, Jerry Toppazzini, John Bucyk and Bronco Horvath supplied the Bruin's goals, with Horvath regaining the NHL's scoring title.

Rookie Bob Kabel led the Rangers Saturday with two goals, Larry Popein getting the other. New York led 3-1 late in the second period, but Norm Ullman jammed in Alex Delvecchio's rebound and Billy McNeill tied it up at 19:34 of the third period on a gang play. Barry Cullen had scored Detroit's first goal.

Sunday, the Wings continued their slump—they have won only one game in their last eight—as the Rangers built up a quick 2-0 lead on goals by Camille Henry and Andy Hebenton.

Warren Godfrey and McNeill tied the score again, but Bathgate slapped a 15-footer in the second period and Larry Popein got the winner.

PROPWASH

Doldrums over for boat owners as painters prepare for 1960

By GLADYS BALDWIN

The pre-Christmas doldrums and the holiday season are over, when all that was done about the boat was to pump it out and see if the canvas cover was still on.

Now, paint brushes are being given the once over and the boatman who is building, or thinking of building, is once again looking over plans.

I've been following, with interest, the plans for the "Sunray" being published step by step in the Vancouver Sun.

Since it was designed by Thornton Grenfell, Naval Architect primarily for the B.C. coast, it sounds like a good deal.

This 19 foot cabin cruiser was designed especially for the home builder. According to estimates, about 400 man hours are required to build it, depending on the person and the number of power tools available.

Designed for outboard cruising she is plywood construction with cruising accommodation for two including marine toilet.

Two extra adults can be accommodated overnight by the use of air mattresses in the cockpit.

Approximate cost to build the cruiser is about $500. This, of course, does not include the motor.

Plans for the "Sunray" are available, free, from Plywood Manufacturer's Association, 550 Burrard Street, Vancouver, or the Promotion Department, The Vancouver Sun, 500 Beatty Street, Vancouver.

Also, I understand, plans will be available shortly at Albert and McCaffery in Prince Rupert.

While most of the other pleasure craft lay silent and dark in the Prince Rupert Rowing and Yacht Club anchorage, the "From Now On" was lighted from stem to stern one blustery afternoon during the holiday season.

Skipper Hugo Kraupner received aboard the cruiser from three until five in the newly-enclosed after cockpit.

The yellow cedar and mahogany finished addition adds greatly to the living accommodations aboard with the added convenience of being able to take advantage of good weather when possible.

Prince Rupert Outboard Association's monthly meeting will be held January 14, at 8 p.m. in the Civic Centre. A film "Birth of an Oilfield" will be shown at the conclusion of the business meeting.

Hecate Strait lying between the Queen Charlotte Islands and the mainland of British Columbia was named after HMS Hecate a vessel in the B.C. coast survey around 1860.

Hecate was a Grecian goddess represented with three heads. She was thought to have power from Zeus in heaven, earth and sea.

An offering of purification, sometimes a dog, honey or black lamb, was made to her on the thirtieth of each month at a point where three paths or roads met.

Dot Ballinger paces Motors to first place

Dot Ballinger of Rupert Motors spilled the maples for high single and high three honors with scores of 263 and 712 to aid her team in a 4-0 sweep over Norwest Foods and give Rupert Motors in first place in the A division of Celco City Bowling A league.

For men's high singles Bert Johnson rolled a 300 score while Bill Yerema of Rupert Hotel registered 672.

Ballinger's high scores also aided her team in capturing team high singles and triples with scores of 1272 and 3576.

In B League action Chris Currie of Johnsons Outboards rolled women's high single and high triple with scores of 267 and 667.

Ray Windle of Cassiars also took both honors with a single of 291 and high three of 707 aiding his team in capturing both team high singles and triples with 1130 and 3112 scores.

Results:

A League:

Shop Easy 4—Tomboy 0; Cook Jewellers 1—Sweet Sixteen 3; Rupert Hotel 4—Norwest Foods 0; Savoy Hotel 4—Eric's Grocery 0; Good Neighbors 3—Radio Cabs 1; Rupert Motors 3—RCMP Subdivision 1.

B League—Standard Oil 4—Allsorts 0; Cassiars 3—Fraser & Payne 1; Co-Op 2—Kelly Douglas 2; Marine Radio 1—Kaien Esso 3; McRae Motors 1—Pedwell Shoes 3; Johnson Outboards 0—Rupert Taxi 4.

Scorekeeper needs aid in junior floor hockey

One more game like Friday night's Junior Floor Hockey League tilt between Ormes and Sport Shop and the management will have to provide a second-string scorekeeper.

In a furious game preceding the senior contest the kids hammered in goals at better than one every two minutes throughout and the pace never slackened. When the results had been tabulated Ormes were on the long end of a 16-11 count.

Spectacular games were turned in by John Olsen of Ormers and Robert Erikson of Sport Shop. These sharpshooters rang the gong an even half dozen times.

Erickson's may have had the edge for color as he paced a spirited last period drive for Sport Shop by tallying four times. Olsen maintained a two-goal per period rate.

Chris Harvey, usually Orme's top gun, turned in a highly commendable five goal effort and his teammate, Gregor McLeod got a hat trick. Gene Dorash added a brace to complete their scoring list

For Sport Shop, Dennis Ostopowich got a singleton, along with John Rosedale and Brian Kangas and Ted Holder completed their scoring.

Referees Jim McLeod and Floyd Jessup levied 16 trips to the penalty box, including a 10-minute misconduct to Sport Shop's Hans Dorius. Playing it smart at the direction of coach Doug Brunton, Sport Shop collected only five while Ormes got the heave 11 times.

NEW NHL IRON MAN among goaltenders is Chicago Black Hawk star Glenn Hall. He scorns masks such as are now being worn by other goalies and is completely unaware of the horrible dangers he faces almost nightly during the league schedule. Here he executes a fancy dance step as Montreal's Marcel Bonin lets go a high shot.
—CP photo.

NEW NHL IRON MAN

Glenn Hall unaware of horrible danger

By JACK SULLIVAN
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Glenn Hall probably doesn't read the sports pages during the National Hockey League season. Otherwise, this splendid specimen of young Canadian manhood would be horrified to learn of the dangers of his chosen profession.

Baby-faced Glenn is goalkeeper with the Chicago Black Hawks, a position which at one time in the not-so-distant past would have made strong men cry. Besides playing nifty goal, he is the leading debunker of the theory widely held that this so-called mayhem of modern hockey sprouts ulcers and jittery nerves.

It happens that every time this 29-year-old native of Humboldt, Sask., stops between the pipes he sets an iron-man record for the current crop of netminders in the NHL. This is his fifth season in the big league and he hasn't missed a game.

He has watched other goalkeepers crack under the pressure. He has watched some commute between the American Hockey League and NHL, and others just fade out of the big-league scene.

AMAZING RECORD

Up to last week-end the 160-pound six-footer had set an amazing record of playing 341 consecutive NHL games—320 in the regular season and 21 play-off contests. He doesn't wear a mask, take pep pills and, as far as anyone knows, is a pretty sound sleeper.

Tall, who lives in Edmonton during the off-season, has had valid reasons to crack up, more so than perhaps any other goalkeeper in the NHL. He was traded from a first-place club to the Hawks, a team that for years held exclusive rights to last place in the NHL.

He went to the Hawks at the start of the 1957-58 season from Detroit Red Wings, league champions the previous year. The mild, soft-spoken netminder celebrated the switch by capturing the goalkeeping position on the league's first all-star team.

Hawks moved up a notch to fifth place and last season reached the dizzy heights of third place, the best the Jim Norris-owned team had shown since 1946. Players of other clubs had practically shot holes through other Hawk goalkeepers but not Hall. He wound up with a respectable 2.07 goals-against-a-game, slightly behind Jacques Plante of the Stanley Cup champion Montreal Canadiens, the Vezina trophy winner and all-star goalie.

IVAN'S PREDICTIONS

A week ago, when the Hawks beat the Maple Leafs 4-2 at Toronto, General Manager Tommy Ivan of Chicago told reporters that Hall had played "tremendous goal" since joining the team. Then Ivan proceeded to punch holes in his observations.

"Goalies will be played like baseball pitchers — when one weakens, the coach will yank him and send in a reliever," Ivan said. "Five years from now every club will carry two major league goalies; dress both and play both on the same night if necessary.

"I don't know how the goalies today can stand it."

Maybe Ivan should ask Hall.

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