

# Detroit Wings Champs Again, Win 8th Title In Nine Years

## Fielder Piles Up Points Over Record To Keep Americans Well Up in Top Spot

By The Canadian Press

Guyle scoring record of Seattle continues to pile up points on top of his Western Hockey League Saturday night. Fielder added two goals and two assists, bringing his total to 110 points, as the Americans whipped Vancouver Canucks 5-2. The win kept Seattle well up in first place on the coast and the Canucks well down in last. Fielder now is six points over the old NHL record.

Still three points ahead of Vancouver are the Victoria Cougars who absorbed an 8-3 drubbing from the New Westminster Royals in New Westminster. Three amateurs with the Royals helped bring off the win, one of them goalie Jim Shirley of Kamloops Chiefs in Okanagan League. Defenceman Ron Matthews of Royals turned the hat trick.

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### Prejudice Flares Up In Cage Tilt

SALEM, Ore. — Charges of racial prejudice and unfair refereeing were exchanged after Kansas defeated Oklahoma City 61-61 in a weekend game at Dallas, Tex., in the U.S. National Collegiate Athletic Association basketball playoffs.

Oklahoma City coach Abe Lemons said the referees were "protecting" Wilt (the Stilt) Chamberlain, seven-foot Negro centre for Kansas.

The real trouble seemed to be with Chamberlain and guard Maurice King were dark-skinned, said referee Al Lighter after getting back to his job as sports editor of the Oregon Statesman here. He said Oklahoma City players were "deliberately dumping Chamberlain."

Lighter said Lemons had warned of trouble "if that big nigger piles onto any of my kids" and that the Oklahoma City players kept remarking about those niggers.

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### Leafs Hand Rangers Fantastic Drubbing

By KENNEDY WELLS  
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Detroit Red Wings are once again champions of the National Hockey League.

The Wings wrapped up their eighth title in nine years Sunday night-defeating Montreal Canadiens, their closest rivals in the league.

The win — which gave them six more points than Montreal which has only two games left — was on Detroit ice and it was a tough 2-1 victory, Detroit's first win over the Canadiens since Dec. 2 and their fourth in 14 games with Montreal this season.

**LEAFS GO WILD** — Detroit now holds the Prince of Wales Trophy for another season, but the team that caused the biggest sensation in five weekend games isn't even in the playoffs — Toronto Maple Leafs.

The Leafs, lowest-scoring club in the league for most of the season, turned on New York Rangers and Saturday night in Toronto handed them an incred-

ible 14-1 walloping in front of 12,001 amazed fans.

Sunday night, just to prove it wasn't a nightmare, the Leafs met the Rangers in New York and beat them 5-3 on two last-minute goals.

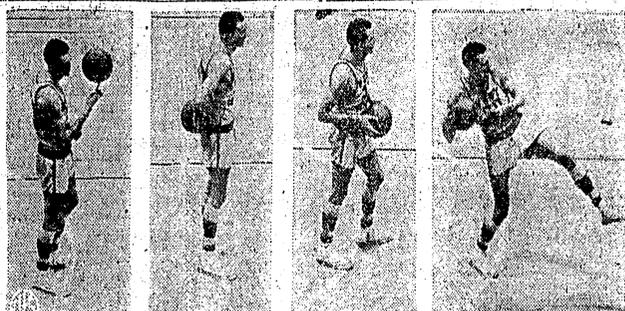
Boston Bruins did Detroit a good turn Saturday in Montreal as they doggedly fought to a 2-2 draw with the Canadiens which, combined with their loss Sunday to Detroit, killed the Bruins' last hope of finishing first.

**BRUINS TIE HATS** — Sunday the Bruins defeated Chicago Black Hawks 6-2, and set a club scoring record while pulling into a second-place tie with Canadiens.

Centre Alex Delvecchio scored Detroit's winning goal Sunday. Montreal scored the first goal — rookie Phil Goyette's third — at 14:50 of the first period.

Then on two Montreal penalties the Detroit power-play went into action and at 2:24 of the second, with Hab defenceman Doug Harvey in the box, Johnny Bucyk scored his 10th this year. It was scoreless the rest of the way until Bernie (Boom-Boom) Geoffrion went off and Delvecchio scored on a pass from rearguard Red Kelly.

The game was a tight-checking affair and Glenn Hall was forced to make only 23 saves while Jacques Plante in the Montreal nets had 24.



**"HOT ROD" DRIVES 'EM NUTS** — Driving the defense crazy, Rodney "Hot Rod" Hundley, West Virginia's high-scoring sensation, shows off his bag of ball-handling tricks during the final home game of the season at Morgantown, W. Va., trying to force the defense to come out, "Hot Rod" twirls the ball on a finger tip, then rolls it down his back, offers it for grabs, and finally winds up to deliver the high, hard one — a Bob Feller. Although he's picked up somewhat of a reputation as a court "clown," Hundley saves his tricks for the time when the game is in the bag. His high scoring and expert playmaking have won him a spot on the United Press All-America basketball team.

### Sunrise Grabs Playoff Opener Trouncing High School 42-32

Sunrise Grocery posted a 1-0 lead in their best of five Junior Basketball League finals against Booth Rainmakers Saturday night as they trounced the high school squad 42-32 in a fast tilt.

Pacing Sunrise to their victory was Mike Young who racked up 14 points followed by Don Haudenschild, Fred Ridley and Ken Specht each with eight points.

For Rainmakers, top marksman was Jim Johnson with 12 points and Bob Kelsey with eight.

The two teams clash again Tuesday night. Rainmakers won the right to meet the regular league champs, Sunrise, after they took the best of three semi-finals against Annunciation Crusaders, 46-43 and 64-45.

Saturday night, in a tension-packed game, Sunrise sparked

by Mike Young forced a 10-7 first quarter lead. Jim Johnson snared all of Rainmakers points.

Some excellent breakthroughs and team co-operation saw Young, Haudenschild and Ridley garner four points each to give the grocerymen a 22-13 half-time margin.

Johnson and Dick Specht made a concerted effort for Rainmakers during the third frame but Sunrise kept the high school squad at a healthy 30-22 distance. Ridley led Sunrise to victory in the final stanza.

Rainmakers sank six free shots in six tries while Sunrise racked up six points in 11 chances.

**LINEUPS**  
Sunrise—Young 14, Haudenschild 8, Ridley 8, Specht 8, Stuart 2, Wong, Sankey 2.—Total 42.  
Rainmakers — Johnson 12,

Twaites, Kelsey 8, Allen 2, Specht 6, Laird 2, Campbell, Mah, Lyons.—Total 32.

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### Sports Trail

By Whitney Martin

**NEW YORK** — Bill Skowron, who was struck so hard by a pitch that didn't hit him — officially — that his thumb was broken, may not be able to open the season for New York Yankees.

For practically any other club in the American League to lose a man who batted .308 last year and hit 23 home runs would be in the nature of a calamity. Yet Yankee followers dismiss it with a "too bad, ain't it?" attitude.

Skowron is a first baseman of sorts and a third baseman out of sorts, you might say. That is, he is acceptable at first base, but no great shakes at the hot corner, where he had been working this spring on the chance he would do a good job there and give rookie Merv Throneberry a chance to take over the first base job.

But Throneberry is only a rookie, and with Skowron out of action for a spell all the Yankees have left for the position is Joe Collins.

**COLLINS AGAIN?** — Collins every spring goes through the same ordeal. Everyone but Yogi Berra gets a shot at his job, but after the season opens who is the old standby? Joe Collins, playing a fine brand of ball in the field, getting the big hit when it's needed, and spreading sunshine around the premises with his amiable disposition.

Yes, Yankees really are in bad shape without Skowron. All they have are Collins and Throneberry at first base, and so many men who can play third that Casey Stengel could pull a name out of a hat and come up with a fellow who would do an adequate job.

In fact, one of Casey's greatest headache preventatives is in having infielders who can take over any one of two or three positions and feel right at home.

### Flyers Lead Cup Series

**SPOKANE, Wash.** — Rookie Buddy Bodman, used only sparingly by Spokane, scored the winning goal Saturday night as the Flyers edged defending Allan Cup champion Vernon Canadians 3-2.

The victory gave Spokane a 2-1 lead in the best-of-seven series for the Savage Cup, emblematic of British Columbia senior hockey supremacy.

Bodman grabbed Doug Toole's near-perfect pass inside the Vernon zone and moved in fast off the wing to beat goalie Hal Gordon cleanly at 7:12 of the third period.

The teams had battled on even terms throughout the first two stanzas.

The game was rough and fast throughout, featured by close checking.

A standout was Vernon's goalie Gordon, who kicked out 41 shots.

Tempers flared in the dying seconds of the third period when a goal by Spokane's left flanker, was disallowed by referee Vic Davis. The goal was disallowed as it came after regulation time. The finals move to Vernon for the fourth game of the series today.

### Indians Hit By Illness Injury

**TUCSON, Ariz.** — Illness and injuries continued to plague Cleveland Indians.

First baseman Viv Wertz, who complained of severe headaches last week, was ordered to rest for a few days after examination disclosed that he was suffering from a virus infection.

Larry Raines, the rookie shortstop, has a fractured toe, on his left foot.

Catcher Earl Averill has complained of chest pains and difficulty in breathing and will be given electro-cardiogram tests.

### Weekend Fights

By The Associated Press

**BARCELONA, Spain** — Tanny Camposon, 119½, Philippines, outpointed Juan Lopez Durban, 121½, Barcelona, (10.)

**MANILA-Cabriel (Flash) Elorde, 120½, Manila, outpointed Tommy Romulo, 131, Manila, (12.)**

**MEXICALI, Mexico** — Alfredo Nevares, 135, Chihuahua, outpointed Johnny Gonzalez, 135, Oakland, Calif., (10.)

### Zimmer's Showing Puts Him Ready for Grade With Bums

By The Associated Press

This appears to be the year Don (Comeback Kid) Zimmer will make the grade as a regular infielder with the National League champion Brooklyn Dodgers.

Zimmer's second home run of the spring off Jim Bunning of Detroit Tigers accounted for all of Brooklyn's runs Sunday as the Dodgers won a 3-2 Grapefruit exhibition at Miami.

Badly injured twice during his career by bean balls, Zimmer—who played second base, probably his opening day position—was almost hit in the head by Bunning's first pitch.

It was the second inning, and John Roseboro who had doubled and Gino Cimoli who had singled were on base. Zimmer came up swinging and on the next pitch he lined the ball over the left-centre wall 300-foot away.

**SKULL FRACTURED** — Zimmer, 26, was purchased by the Dodgers from their Mobile farm club in 1952 and optioned

eventual successor to Pee Wee Reese at shortstop. On July 7 that year a pitch fractured his skull at Columbus and he was out for the season.

Last June 23 at Brooklyn in a St. Paul of the American Association in 1953, billed as the game with Cincinnati, Zimmer suffered a check bone fracture and concussion when struck by a pitch thrown by Hal Jefferson.

He played only 17 games all season and in 20 times at bat got six hits for a .300 average.

In other games Sunday, Washington Senators defeated the Milwaukee Braves 5-3, New York Yankees blanked Cincinnati Redlegs 9-0, Philadelphia Phillies downed Boston Red Sox 4-1, Pittsburgh Pirates squeezed out a 2-1 decision over Kansas City Athletics, Chicago White Sox walloped St. Louis Cardinals 12-3, Baltimore Orioles took an 11-5 verdict from Chicago Cubs, and New York Giants defeated Cleveland Indians 0-0.



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