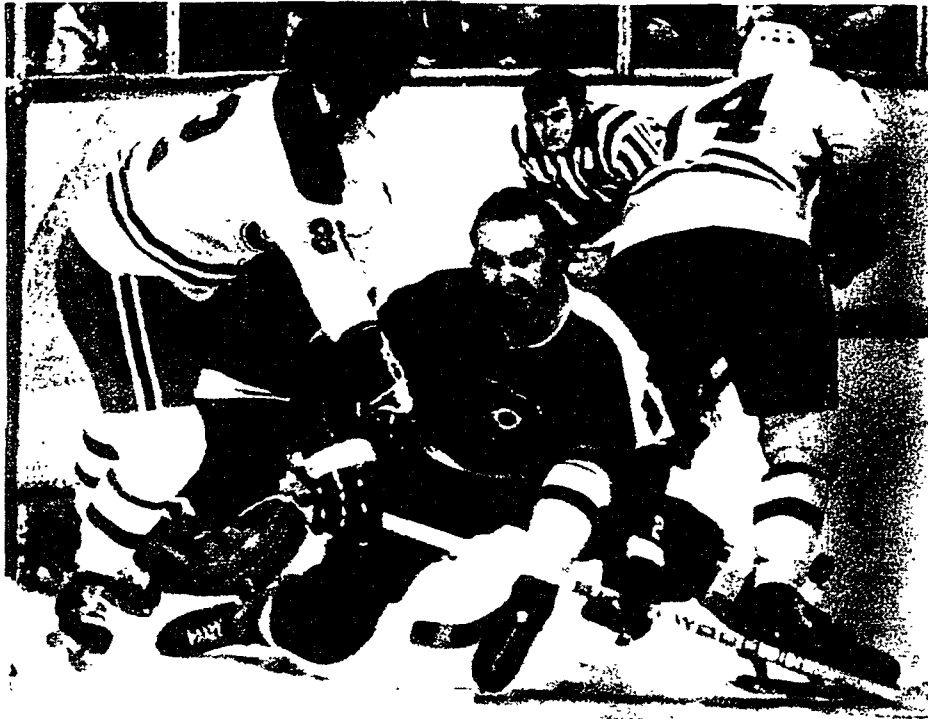


Mikita goal downs Rangers 2-1

Canadiens down Flyers in OT



Flyers' Ed Van Impe positions himself by Montreal goal

MONTREAL (AP) — A 30-foot slapshot by defenseman Larry Robinson in the first extra period gave the Montreal Canadiens a 4-3 victory over the Philadelphia Flyers yesterday night in a National Hockey League semifinal playoff game.

The best-of-7 Stanley Cup series is now tied 1-1 with game No. 3 set for Philadelphia on Thursday night. Richardson's game winner came at 6:45 of the overtime period.

It was the second time in as many playoff games between the two teams that a sudden death was needed to settle the issue. The underdog Flyers won the opener 5-4 Saturday night on Rich MacLeish's goal with less than three minutes elapsed of the overtime period. Montreal had to overcome a 2-0 Philadelphia lead, and it wasn't until Yvan Cournoyer scored at 11:50 of the third period that the Canadiens were able to tie the score 3-3.

The Flyers generally out-hustled and out-played the Canadiens during the first two periods.

In the third period, however, Montreal appeared to gain new life and Cournoyer's tying goal sent the crowd of 17,010 into wild chants.

Philadelphia took a 1-0 lead at 5:50 of the first period on defenseman Andre Dupont's goal, his first of the playoffs. Gary Dornhoefer made it 2-0 for the Flyers at 8:12 of the first period on a power-play goal. The third Flyer score came on Bill Flett's shot with 36 seconds gone in the second period. Guy Lafleur's shot at 19:13 of the first

period, with Philadelphia a man shy, gave Montreal its first goal and the Canadiens tied it 11 seconds before Flett's answering goal for the Flyers on a shot by Henri Richard.

NEW YORK (AP) — Veteran Stan Mikita broke a third-period tie with his second goal of the playoffs last night and the Chicago Black Hawks defeated the New York Rangers 2-1 in game No. 3 of their National Hockey League semifinal series.

The Black Hawks scored first in this tightly played, defensive game. Jim Pappin got credit for the goal just over eight minutes into the first period when his shot glanced off the skate of Ranger defenseman Jim Neilson.

Pappin and Dennis Hull were climaxing a two-on-one break and Hull was neatly tied up by Neilson at the corner of the Ranger net. Pappin appeared to be shooting for that corner when the puck hit Neilson and trickled into the net.

The Rangers tied it with just over five minutes remaining in the middle period on a spectacular individual effort by Walter Tkaczuk.

Tkaczuk made a rink-long dash, split the Chicago defense and pushed a backhand past Esposito.

It stayed that way until Mikita's game-winner with 6:16 gone in the third period. He stuffed in a rebound of John Marks' 25-footer off Giacomini's pads for the deciding goal.



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Miguel Maurtua finds winning style

Bortner, Shivar lead ill netters to shutout

Even the flu couldn't help hapless Rochester appear tough against the Penn State netters yesterday in New York. The Lions didn't drop a match, blanking the New Yorkers for the second straight year.

Penn State tennis coach Holmes Cathrall expressed amazement over the ease of the Lion victory. Before leaving, he admitted worrying about the health of his team. John Karr and Doug Pollock were left at home and many of the netmen were still recuperating from the flu.

"Rochester was not as strong as I thought," Cathrall said. "I think I'm going to stick with this lineup for awhile."

The Lion coach was referring to the switch of Walker Shivar and Miguel Maurtua in the two and three positions. Maurtua went 0-3 in the second spot and Cathrall decided to move the Peruvian freshman down.

The net boss is hoping the change will allow Maurtua to regain the confidence he lost after the spring tour. He

seemed to respond to the treatment by handing Ted Plimpton a 7-5, 6-3 loss.

The only Lion who had any trouble was freshman Sam Schwartz. He was the only netter who needed three sets to win. After capturing the first set 6-0, he yielded the second in a close 6-7 battle. Although Penn State had the match won, Schwartz fought back to win the deciding set 6-4 and insure a sweep.

The makeshift doubles of Bruce Issadore and Schwartz walked onto the New York courts with no experience playing together, and walked off 6-3, 6-0 winners over Plimpton and Ted Klieman.

In the feature match, Jan Bortner bolstered his personal record to 2-2 with an easy victory over Joe Mantell. The top Lion racketeer has played better tennis than his .500 record indicates. Bortner, the Middle Atlantic State Association's top seed, lost to two of America's best collegians in Maryland's John Lucas and Columbia's Vitas Gerulaitis.

Netters find tennis, school don't mix

By BILL GUTHLEIN
Collegian Senior Reporter

While most of Penn State sits in classes, gazing out the windows and wishing to be elsewhere, the Lion tennis team faces the opposite dilemma. The netters are constantly anywhere but University Park.

The reason is a whirlwind schedule that has the netters on the road for five weekday matches in ten days. Some of the players are dismayed that anyone would approve a season card crammed with so many matches.

"It hurts you both academically and in tennis," head netter Jan Bortner said. "With so many road trips you miss classes and can't get a routine of study going. After a match and

maybe six hours traveling up and back you can't practice hard the next day. Then the next day you're going again. You miss a lot of practice."

The netters are not just idly concerned with classes and grades. Until recently, they held the highest average of any athletic team at Penn State. Last year, when confronted with a choice to miss classes and finals for the Nationals, all but one opted to remain home.

The traveling racketmen are composed of three pre-med majors, three business majors, and one pre-dentistry-biology major. Most recognize the demand tennis will make and horde their pass-fail credits for spring term. Senior co-captain Walker Shivar has elected that route for this season.

"I'm taking six credits pass-fail," he said. "The schedule doesn't really bother me too much, but I can see how it would for some of the others."

Some can't take the breakneck schedule so calmly. Bruce Issadore, a ninth term accounting major, admits he is unhappy about the apparent unconcern of the scheduling.

"I keep missing classes and I don't get any reading done. I have to reschedule exams and copy notes. Mr. Cathrall (tennis coach) says he doesn't make up the schedule, so what can you do?" Although the tennis boss does not negotiate the schedule, he is given final approval before any contracts are signed. Cathrall justifies the schedule, which includes seven weekday away and three weekday home matches, by arguing that it upgrades the tennis competition. He is undoubtedly correct, but the price the student-netmen must pay academically to build a recognized tennis team seems to be an

area that has been overlooked.

Athletic Director Ed Czekaj developed the schedule which Cathrall subsequently approved. He admits that five straight away matches is unusual, but figures the shortened school year of other schools, filled weekend cards at Ivy League schools, and the Penn State home-home arrangements as the culprits.

"Calendars, people, and dates change," Czekaj said. "When you then adjust the schedule, it's during the week. Besides, there's not enough Saturday's in the season. Unless you want to confine the schedule to eight matches you must play weekdays. Of course we try to schedule on weekends as much as possible."

While an occasional weekday match is understandable, there seems to be no defense for the overwhelming number of the netters must contend with this season, especially with a four day jaunt to New York for the ECAC championships at the end of May.

The Lions challenge better and better teams each season but when the traditional competition is obviously outclassed, those teams are never scratched from the schedule. Penn State recorded five shutouts last season but only one team, Hampton Institute, will not play the Lions again this year. West Virginia fell to the State netters 9-0 last year to make the series record a lopsided 14-1 for the Lions. No longer tied to a Big Four arrangement, those teams could be cut.

Trimming the schedule two or three matches and saving weekdays for the important schools might result in better students, and better tennis, yet still give the team plenty of preparation for the post-season tournaments.

Bucs edge Cards in 14

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Dave Cash's run-scoring single in the 14th inning scored Gene Alley from second base and gave the Pittsburgh Pirates a 4-3 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals last night.

Alan Foster, the fifth St. Louis pitcher, walked Alley to open the 14th and Gene Clines sacrificed him to second base before Cash's single to left

gave the Pirates their sixth triumph in seven National League baseball games.

St. Louis got one run back against Steve Blass in the bottom of the first on Jose Cruz' double and Joe Torre's single and tied it in the fourth when Cruz walked, Ted Simmons tripled and Ken Reitz singled.

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Brisker case decision pending

NEW YORK (AP) — The National Basketball Association's Board of Governors meets Wednesday to take final action on the John Brisker case and to determine whether Philadelphia or Seattle gets the No. 4 first-round pick in Thursday's draft of college players.

The draft had been scheduled for Monday, but was postponed for three days after U.S. District Court Judge John T. Tenney ruled in New York that NBA Commissioner Walter Kennedy had "usurped" the authority of the Board of Governors and was "guilty of misconduct" because he did not hold a hearing or consult with the board before awarding Seattle's first-round pick to Philadelphia in compensation for Brisker.

Brisker, a 6-foot-5 forward, was picked by Philadelphia in the NBA's supplemental draft in 1969. But he signed with Pittsburgh of the American Basketball Association.

When the Pittsburgh franchise folded after the 1971-72 season, Brisker was selected by Dallas in the ABA dispersal draft, but he then signed with Seattle.

Since Philadelphia had the rights to Brisker as a result of the 1969 draft, the Board of Governors voted to let Kennedy determine the matter, and last November, he awarded Seattle's first-round pick to Philadelphia. In addition, he fined the SuperSonics \$10,000, but allowed Brisker to remain with Seattle. The judge also eliminated the \$10,000 fine.

Following the judge's ruling last Thursday, Ken-

nedy called a special meeting of the governors for Wednesday. If the board rules the same way Kennedy did, the 76ers, who already have the No. 1 pick, would get two of the first four selections in the draft.

The 76ers already have announced they would take center-forward Jim Brewer of the University of Minnesota as their top choice. Portland has the second pick, followed by Buffalo.

After the No. 4 pick, either by Philadelphia or Seattle, the Los Angeles Lakers will choose fifth as a result of a trade with Cleveland for Rick Roberson last season. The Lakers will be followed by Houston, Kansas City-Omaha and Phoenix, before Atlanta picks ninth and 10th. The Hawks have two consecutive choices as the result of a trade with Detroit last week for George Trapp.

Completing the first round, in order, will be Golden State, Chicago, Baltimore, New York, Cleveland, Milwaukee and Boston.

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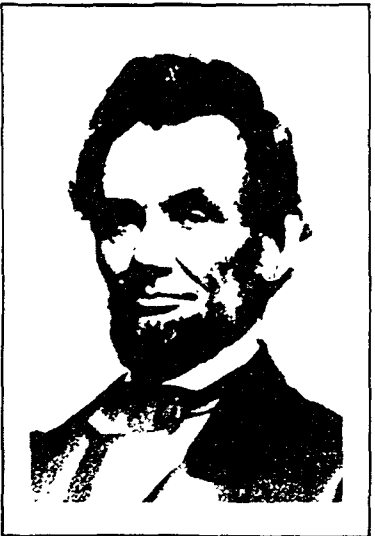
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