



FANCY FOOTWORK BY MANTLE

Mickey Mantle, now a first baseman for the Yankees, dives to get Reggie Smith, Boston Red Sox, after fielding bunt at Boston, Mass. New York won, 7-5. (AP Wirephoto)

# Toronto Tops Montreal For Stanley Cup Title

TORONTO (AP)—Bob Pulford's goal at 8:26 of the second sudden-death overtime period gave Toronto a 3-2 victory over Montreal Tuesday night and a 2-1 lead in their Stanley Cup final playoff series.

The fourth game in the best-of-7 series will be played in Toronto Thursday night.

Pulford's goal, with assists from Pete Stankowski and Jim Pappin, came after the clubs had battled through two scoreless periods with Montreal's rookie goalie Rogatien Vachon and Toronto's 42-year-old Johnny Bower turning away shot after shot.

Montreal had fought back to a 2-2 tie with just 50 seconds left in the second period on John Ferguson's goal, which came off Stankowski's stick just after a faceoff to the left of Bower.

Pappin had given the Leafs a 2-1 edge at 10:34 of that period, taking a pass from Tim Horton before Montreal could clear the puck out of a scramble.

The period was marked by rugged play and both Brian Conacher of Toronto and Claude Larose of Montreal drew five minute penalties for fighting. Larose suffered a cut during the scramble, which needed seven stitches. He remained in the game, however.

The opening score came with just 2:27 gone in the first period when with Horton in the penalty box, Jean Beliveau took a pass at the goal from Bobby Rousseau and pushed it in for a 1-0 Montreal lead.

But with Ferguson off the ice

for interference, the Maple Leafs mounted a power play that succeeded when Stankowski tipped in a sizzling drive from just inside the blue line by Larry Hillman at 8:39.

The third period and the first overtime were played at a slower pace than the first two, with neither team able to capitalize on several good shots at the goal. A shot from the open by Ron Ellis of the Leafs shortly after the five-minute mark of the third period hit the post and rebounded away.

In the first overtime period, J. C. C. Tremblay and Henri Richard gave Bower some trouble, but the Toronto goalie kept knocking the puck away.

The Leafs mounted a two-one attack midway through the period, but, with Vachon sprawled on the ice, Bob Pulford fired the puck over the net.

Yvan Cournoyer narrowly missed a shot after faking Bower out of position and Dave Keon hit the post in a scramble around the Montreal goal in which Vachon again fell to the ice.



BREAKTHROUGH IN BASKETBALL

Bill Cunningham (32) of the Philadelphia 76ers charges after a rebound under hands of Nate Thurmond (42) and Rick Barry (24) of San Francisco Warriors in fifth game of National Basketball Association finals in Philadelphia, Pa. San Francisco won, 117-108. Philadelphia now leads in games by 3-2. (AP Wirephoto)

# Off-Season Trades Looking Good In Early Competition

NEW YORK (AP)—It may be a bit early for Tommy Davis to start thinking about a third National League batting title but the trade that sent him from Los Angeles to the New York Mets among the others who appear to have profited from last winter's deals.

Don Mincher and Jimmie Hall of the California Angels, Maury Wills of Pittsburgh, Jim Landis and Ed Mathews of Houston, Roger Maris of St. Louis and Cap Peterson of Washington are among the others who appear to have profited from last winter's deals.

Davis had a .419 average, third highest in the NL, through Monday's games. He had 13 hits in

31 times at bat. The 27-year-old outfielder, troubled by leg injuries in recent seasons, won the league batting title while with the Dodgers in 1962 and 1963.

Mincher and Hall are giving the Angels the long ball they expected when the two and pitcher Pete Cimino were acquired from Minnesota for pitcher Dean Chance.

Mincher, a first baseman, and Hall, an outfielder, each have hit three homers. Their averages are impressive too, Mincher's .357 and Hall's .304.

Wills, sent to Pittsburgh from Los Angeles for Bob Bailey and Gene Michael, is hitting .371 with 13 hits and two stolen bases.

Landis has been a pleasant surprise for the Astros. He has 10 hits in 29 tries for a .345 mark.

He was obtained from Cleveland for Lee Maye.

Mathews also is off to a good start with the Astros after 15 years as a Brave in Boston, Milwaukee and Atlanta. He has a .289 batting average with one homer and seven RBI.

A hitless performance in seven trips in Monday night's game against Los Angeles dropped Maris' batting slate to .318. However, he is doing considerably better than third baseman Charley Smith of the New York Yankees, for whom he was traded. Smith is hitting only .189.

Peterson, who played in 89 games for San Francisco last season, is responding to regular work in Washington. He has 11 safeties in 38 times at bat for .289.

The Dodgers' Ron Hunt is hitting .270 and Michael is at .273. Bailey, however, is way down at .119. Hunt was obtained in the Tommy Davis deal.

Several other players involved in winter transactions are having a rough time getting started. They include Cleve Boyer of Atlanta, who has a .174 batting average, Bill Robinson of the Yanks .158, Don Bosch of the Mets .139 and Bernie Allen of the Senators, .167.

## Cincinnati Loses League Lead In 6-1

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Juan Marichal scattered seven hits for his first victory of the season and Jim Hart supplied the power as the San Francisco Giants trimmed Cincinnati 6-1 Tuesday night, snapping the Reds' winning string at five games.

Marichal, a 25-game winner last year but a loser in each of his first three 1967 starts, breezed past the Reds. A sixth-inning homer by Tony Perez spoiled the Giant ace's shutout bid.

Hart belted a two-run home run off Rers' rookie Gary Nolan in the first inning, and also singled and scored the first run in a three-run sixth inning rally that chased the 18-year-old right-hander.

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## Major League Standing

National League			
	W.	L.	Pct. G.B.
St. Louis	8	3	.727 ½
Cincinnati	10	4	.717
Philadelphia	7	4	.636 1½
Atlanta	6	4	.600 2
Chicago	5	5	.500 3
Pittsburgh	4	5	.444 3½
New York	5	7	.417 4
Los Angeles	4	7	.364 4½
San Fran.	4	7	.364 4½
Houston	3	10	.231 6½

American League			
	W.	L.	Pct. G.B.
New York	6	4	.600
Baltimore	7	5	.583
Detroit	7	5	.583
Boston	6	5	.545 ½
California	7	6	.538 ½
Chicago	6	6	.500 1
Cleveland	5	6	.455 1½
Kansas City	5	7	.417 2
Minnesota	4	6	.400 2
Washington	4	7	.364 2½

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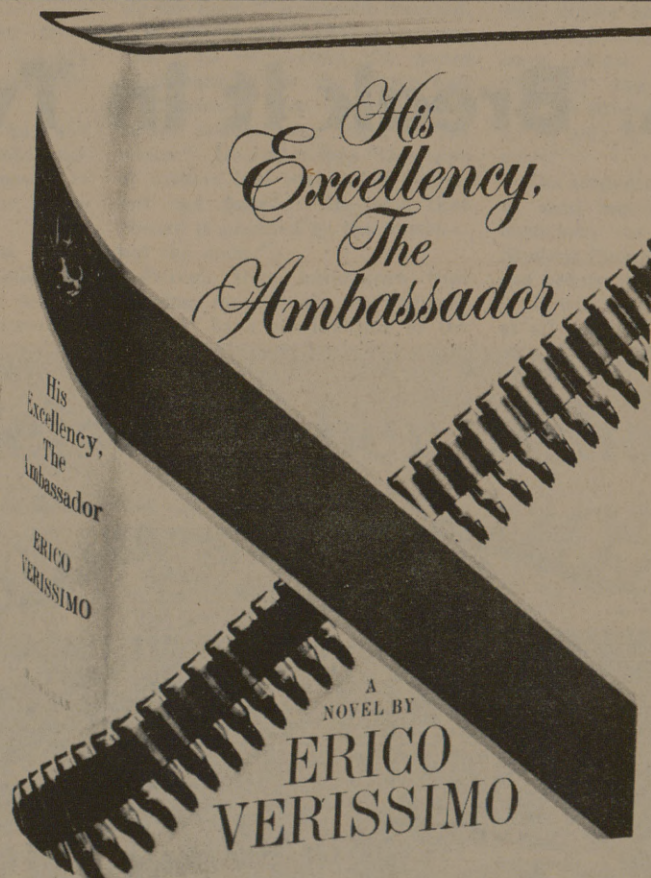
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