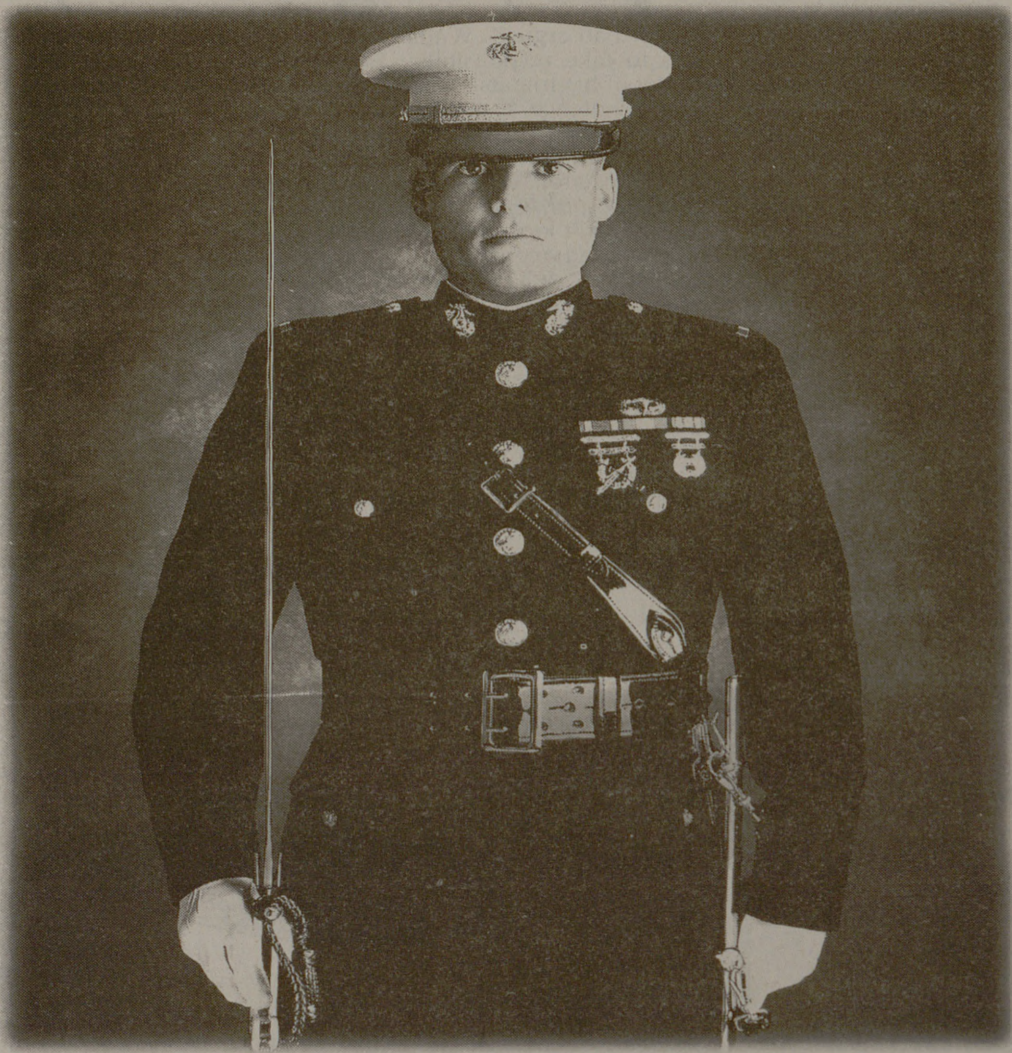


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**Stars ready for postseason**

League-leading Dallas squad to face Edmonton

DALLAS (AP) — Two years ago the Edmonton Oilers delivered a shock to the Dallas Stars they will never forget. They knocked the Stars out of the Stanley Cup playoffs in the first round on a goal by Todd Marchant in overtime of Game 7.

"We learned a lot from that thing that happened two years ago," Dallas coach Ken Hitchcock said. "We know not to overlook anybody. We learned our lesson." The Stars, who have the home ice advantage throughout the playoffs because of their NHL-best regular season mark, meet a No. 8 seeded Oiler team Wednesday night they beat three times and tied once in four meetings.

"Being the No. 1 seed is a burden you have to accept," Hitchcock said. "You know that going in."

Edmonton has no problem playing up the underdog role. "Being a complete underdog is a huge blessing," Edmonton coach Ron Low said. "There's absolutely

no pressure on us. The pressure is squarely on Dallas' shoulders."

Dallas is not the only team the Oilers have ruined in the playoffs. Colorado was ousted by Edmonton last year.

Goalkeeper Curtis Joseph dominated Dallas in 1997, but he is in Toronto now and the Oilers have Tommy Salo in net. Edmonton won six consecutive games late in the season just to make the playoffs.

Wing Bill Guerin, the Oilers top goal-scorer, and center Josef Beranek are both recovering from knee injuries and their status remains questionable. Of course, Dallas will miss their captain, defenseman Hatcher, who has been sidelined for five playoff games with the jaw-shattering injury to Jeremy Roenick.

Dallas wing Pat Verbeek, who has a knee injury and is recovering from a knee injury, although he has not yet returned to the team, is also questionable.

"Edmonton is a special team," Dallas' Joe Nieuwenhuis said. "They are not going to let us win up their game in the playoffs. We're going to have a tough game with Hatcher out, but we'll definitely miss his presence."

Brett Hull said the Oilers will overtake Dallas in the time around. "We're confident in our team, but the other teams can play like a bunch of dogs," Hull said. "If anybody is going to walk over a team they are sadly



**Schott close to selling control of Reds**

CINCINNATI (AP) — Marge Schott agreed Tuesday to sell control of the Cincinnati Reds for \$67 million, leaving her one step away from the end of her tumultuous 15-year reign.

The other major league owners have to approve the sale to Cincinnati financier Carl Lindner and two of the other limited partners, a process that usually takes 6-15 months but is expected to move quickly, perhaps with a vote as soon as June.

Baseball had ordered her to sell her controlling interest in the Reds and end a tenure that included one suspension for inflammatory remarks and other disciplinary measures, such as giving up day-to-day decision-making.

Lindner would become the team's controlling partner. Limited partners George Strike and William Reik also would be part of the new ownership group.



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"Carl Lindner, George Strike and I have been excellent limited partners in the ownership," National League president Len Crotto said. "I think with their leadership, once the work is done, the fans in Cincinnati will have a bright future for baseball."

If the sale is approved, it would mark a change for the Reds. Lindner owns the Cincinnati Insurance Co. and is a behind-the-scenes owner like the Reds' owners before Schott, who was a limited partner in 1981 and the general manager from 1984 to 1998.

His style will be much different than Schott's. On the field, few interviews with reporters and plans to keep John Allen as managing executive and Jim Bowden as general manager.

"All great organizations have great leadership," Bowden said. "Obviously, Lindner and the limited partners have first-class and run first-class organizations. I think it's for Cincinnati Reds baseball."

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