

# Seals Lose Wild Brawl, 5-1

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LOS ANGELES—It looked like a convention of butchers as the San Francisco Seals and Los Angeles Blades played what might be termed an historic hockey game in the Sports Arena last night.

Western Hockey League penalty marks fell as referee Tom Smith whistled 26 infractions in less than two periods for a total of 95 min-

utes. The Blades got the best of it with a 5-1 victory before 9,313 jubilant fans.

**The bulk of the penalty time, 53 minutes, or almost an entire hockey game, resulted from a tremendous beef involving eight players**

## *Fists, Skates Fly at L. A.*

at 16:28 of the second period.

This embroglio, one of the most ferocious we have ever seen in the league, centered around San Francisco team captain Ed Panagabko and Los Angeles wildman Howie Young, who traded a goodly

amount of skin around the Seal net and then continued the proceeding by the Blades' bench.

### **'INTENT TO INJURE'**

Both received misconduct penalties and Young was tossed out of the contest for

intent to injure. Quite maliciously, he planted a skate in Eddie's midsection.

Rookie George Swarbrick of the Seals and Willie O'Ree of the Blades also tangled, as did four other players, but only the aforementioned combatants received for the 53 minute penalty time.

The activity was so heated (Continued on Page 43, Col. 5)

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THIS WAS JUST ONE OF THE MANY HASSLES WHICH MARKED THE SEALS-BLADES CONTEST  
Blade goalie Jack Norris (l.), teammate Camille Bedard (r.) tussle with Del Topoll, unidentified Seal

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that play for that period was curtailed at the 16:28 mark.

The Seals made history with such an incident in Spokane three years ago.

But this one was every bit as heated as that first one. The game was totally out of Smith's control, so he chose to send the teams off to the dressing rooms until cooler heads prevailed.

The clubs cooled out for 20 minutes and came out to play out the remaining time of that stanza and the final period in succession.

The infractions took their toll, and it was a most unusual sight as the play went up and down the ice for five minutes and 12 seconds with only three men on a side.

### YOUNG STAYS OUT

Young never did return to the ice, the result of a match-misconduct for intent to injure, and Panagabko spent most of the remaining moments in the sin-bin.

The Blades got the better of the power play scoring as a result of the penalties. They fashioned three big goals, numbers 2-3-4, while the Seals were shorthanded.

Each club had a solid scoring shot in the first stanza at full strength, when San Francisco's Del Topoll turned on the red light at 1:10 with a goal mouth deflection, and when Harold White of the Blades rifled a 30-footer between Bob Perreault's legs at 1:29.

After that, the Blades took their advantage of the penalties with three lights in the second period off the sticks of Brian Smith, Mark Boileau and Norm Johnson.

### FINAL TALLY

Johnson came back with the final score of the contest at 19:55 of the third on a solo breakaway.

It just wasn't the Seals night, but the fistic activities possibly might incite them to a real all out performance on Friday evening when they host these same Blades in the Cow Palace.

#### FIRST PERIOD

Scoring: San Francisco — Topoll, (Burns, Connolly), 1:10; Los Angeles — White (Hynes, O'Ree), 1:29; Smith (Johnson, LaBine), 15:26.

Penalties—Smith (SF) 2 misconduct, 3:02; Haddon (LA), 6:06; Dornhofer (SF), 8:20; Haworth (LA), 8:20; O'Ree (LA), 8:44; Dornhofer (SF), 10:38; Swarbrick (SF), 12:44; Hodgson (LA), 12:44; Jackson (SF), 13:52; (SF) bench penalty, 13:52; Swarbrick (SF), 15:04; Hynes (LA), 16:34.

#### SECOND PERIOD

Scoring: Los Angeles — Boileau Maxwell, Haddon, 5:49; Johnson (LaBine, Smith), 9:00.

Penalties—Young (LA), :50; Jackson (SF), 5:16; Dornhofer (SF), 7:09; Swarbrick (SF), major, 16:28; Panagabko (SF), 3 majors, 16:28; O'Ree (LA), major, 16:28; Young (LA), 3 majors, 1 minor, 16:28; (LA) bench, major, 16:28; Evans (LA), 17:35.

#### THIRD PERIOD

Scoring: Los Angeles — Johnson (LaBine, Smith) 19:55.

Penalties—None.

#### SAVES

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| Perreault | 9  | 12 | 7—28 |
| Norris    | 12 | 11 | 7—30 |

Attendance—9,213.

