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**Seal 'Voice'**  
**Still Strong**

Ted Husing was one of the great radio sportscasters of the 1930s and the kid in Grand Rapids, Minn., wanted to be just like him.

"He was my idol," said Roy Storey. "But I followed too closely in his footsteps."

Like Husing, Storey became a sports announcer. And, also like his idol, he was struck down by a tumor which lodged in his brain.

Husing eventually died from the growth in his head while Storey, defying all odds, underwent three cerebral operations in the last two years and now lives to tell about it.

The dark-haired, 38-year-old announcer for San Francisco Seals ice hockey games limped slightly as he directed us to a seat in his Oakland home.

His left hand was buried in his pants pocket as he willingly discussed the most dangerous days of his young life.

"The first operation, which was on May 7, 1963, lasted 7 1/2 hours," he began.

"They told me I might come out of it blind. But when I woke up, I could see; I could talk. But my left side was paralyzed. I couldn't move my hand, my leg . . ."

**Sports Car Race**

Storey retrogressed. He said in 1956, before he went to Los Angeles for radio and television work, he competed in a Santa Rosa sports car race.

"I spun out of control, a guy came in and clobbered me," he recalled. "I was knocked out for a few minutes."

"Six years later I started experiencing a little difficulty. My entire left side, including my face, arm and leg, would turn completely numb for a 30-minute period. I thought it was due to a pinched nerve and I let it go at that."

It was while broadcasting the Patrick Cup ice hockey playoff series in 1963 at the Cow Palace that Storey's condition worsened.

"Other sports I report objectively," he explained, "I can control my emotions. But in ice hockey I can't."

"I used to play the game in Minnesota. As a kid that's all I knew. When I was 14 I was good enough to join a team comprised of fellows who were 21. I won statewide recognition and earned a hockey scholarship from the University of Minnesota. Instead I ended up in the Army."

"I love hockey so much I'm swooped up by it all and personally become part of the action. That's why after broadcasting a Seal game for three hours I'm emotionally drained."

"During the seven games of the Cup playoffs I had five attacks of numbness. The day after the Seals won the championship I visited my doctor. I figured it had to be more than just a pinched nerve."

"Following a series of tests, the medics discovered a big tumor on my brain. They were able to detect it by a new chemical which was shot into my blood stream. This made it possible for them to take an X-ray and know exactly where to cut. In Husing's case, they didn't know where to operate and it proved fatal."

**Back to Work**

Two weeks after surgery, Storey left the Peralta Hospital and in a short while resumed his morning radio sport show from his home.

"I finished my Monday broadcast," Roy recounted, "and then suddenly my left side went numb again. So it was back to the hospital. This time I had a blood clot and they rushed me into the operating room."

"Once again they shaved my hair off, removed the top of my head and got to the problem just in time. It took me a week to recover from the blood clot and snap out of the paralysis. Now I figured I was about ready to lick this thing."

"Then infection set in, and they had to operate again. So the little hair I had growing was whisked off for the third time and the top of my dome was reopened."

"The nurses told me later they didn't give me much."

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