

# Seals Shock Toronto, 6-3

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The Oakland Seals rode Earl Ingarfield's second hat trick of the season and their best power-play performance in a long while to a stunning 6-3 victory over the Toronto Maple Leafs before a delighted crowd of 8,277 last night at the Coliseum Arena.

The Seals broke a 2-2 tie in the second period and went on to a 6-2 lead before the Leafs could collect their final goal.

The Seals headed out for Minneapolis today to play the

North Stars tomorrow afternoon.

The win, which ran the Seals' record to only one loss in their last five games, also moved Oakland to within one point of fourth-place Pittsburgh which was idle last night.

It also interrupted a two-game Toronto win streak.

**The Seals scored twice in each period and four times on their power play.**

In addition to Ingarfield, the Seals got goals from three defensemen, Harry Howell, his first of the year, Doug Roberts and Dick Mattiussi.

The Leafs' scores were by Jim McKenney, Bob Pulford and in the last period, Ron Ellis, his 20th of the year.

The Leafs defense played pretty well early in the opening period, refusing to allow the Seals any meaningful penetration, and breaking up the Oakland attack outside their blueline.

But then Jim Harrison got a little too aggressive and the complexion of the game changed radically.

At 9:10, the Seals did get in for a shot on a power play against Tim Horton, Gamble caught it on his chest and

Oakland left wing Carol Vadnais tried to rake it free with his stick. The whistle blew.

**Harrison charged into the crowd, belted Vadnais and tried to engage him in a fight. Referee Art Shov promptly whistled a double-minor for high-sticking and roughing on Harrison and a high-sticking minor on Vadnais.**

With Harrison and Horton off, the Leafs had to play down two men to Oakland's one.

Less than a minute after the Vadnais-Harrison penalties, the Seals opened the scoring. Dick Mattiussi and Doug Rob-

erts, manning the point positions, worked the puck into the right wing corner to Ingarfield, who blew a 25-foot forehand shot past Gamble at 10:04.

Then, a little later, with Harrison still in the box on the second half of his double penalty, the Seals scored again.

Center Howie Menard won a faceoff in the left wing circle in the Toronto zone, drawing the puck back to Roberts. The big defenseman moved in a little closer and blasted a 30-foot slap shot past Gamble,

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who never had a chance on it.

So within a period of 1:32, and helped by the Harrison penalties, the Seals grabbed a 2-0 lead.

Shortly before the end of the period, Harrison was cited again by Skov for high-sticking Oakland's Norm Ferguson. Both players went off.

As Skov was going to the referee's room after the period, he was accosted by Leaf General Manager Jim Gregory who inquired about the calls. Skov replied loudly: "He didn't come here to play hockey" and continued into the room.

For a while early in the second period, it looked as though the Leafs were about to make a game of it.

By the 4:25 mark, they had tied it up 2-2 on goals by McKenney, set up when George Armstrong took the puck from Roberts and centered it in front for a short backhander, and by Pulford, who jammed in Floyd Smith's rebound on a breakaway.

Seconds later, Smith and Pulford got another breakaway and Smith was about to beat Roberts again, but Roberts nailed him in the face with his stick, causing a one-stitch cut on Smith's mouth and a five-minute major penalty for Roberts.

It was at that point, however, that the Leafs stumbled.

Time after time they attacked on the long power play, but Seal goalie Gary Smith and the Oakland defense held them off. Finally, McKenney was caught hooking Ted Hampson and all of a sudden the sides were even.