



BERT ON THE ROCKS — Oakland Seals coach Bert Olmstead (center) goes out on the ice during the third period in Boston when a fight broke out between teams. Olmstead reportedly went after

a fan who had become involved in the battle. It was the fourth time the Bruins have become involved in a major battle with NHL rivals. Boston won, 6-3.

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Seals, Bruins Brawl

BOSTON (UPI) — When fistfighting during a National Hockey League match and some of them belong to alien fans, coach Bert Olmstead of the Oakland Seals retaliates in kind.

He picked up a hockey stick Monday night and went after an interfering fan during a donnybrook at Boston Garden late in the third period as the Seals fell 6-3 before the Bruins. Olmstead wasted no time in jumping over the boards onto the ice and going after a fan who reached over the barrier and was trying to help Boston's Ken Hodge gain the upper hand in a fistfight with Oakland's Charley Burns. Referee Wally Harris handed out 28 minutes in penalties during the wild third period spiced by three brawls. Oakland's Ken Douglas and Boston's Ted Green also drew five minute fighting penalties and Olmstead picked up a bench minor during the second fight. Bruin Glen Sather and Alain Caron of the Seals also clashed but got only minor penalties.

The faltering Seals (7-21-5) meet the Penguins at Pittsburgh Wednesday night. The Penguins (13-15-4) nipped the Los Angeles Kings 4-3 Monday night.

Rookie center Derek Sanderson scored two goals and assisted on another to pace the second-place Bruins. He broke a 3-3 tie at 15:40 of the second period with an unassisted goal on a 35-foot angle shot and scored again at 7:16 of the third period during a scramble in front of the Oakland cage.

Larry Cahan, Mike Laughton and Bill Hicke scored the goals for the Seals who remain in last place in the NHL's Western Division. Other Bruin scorers were Johnny Bucyk, his 19th, Eddie Westfall, Tom Williams and Fred Stanfield.