

# HERB'S N.H.L. PUCK-UPS

By Herb Barton

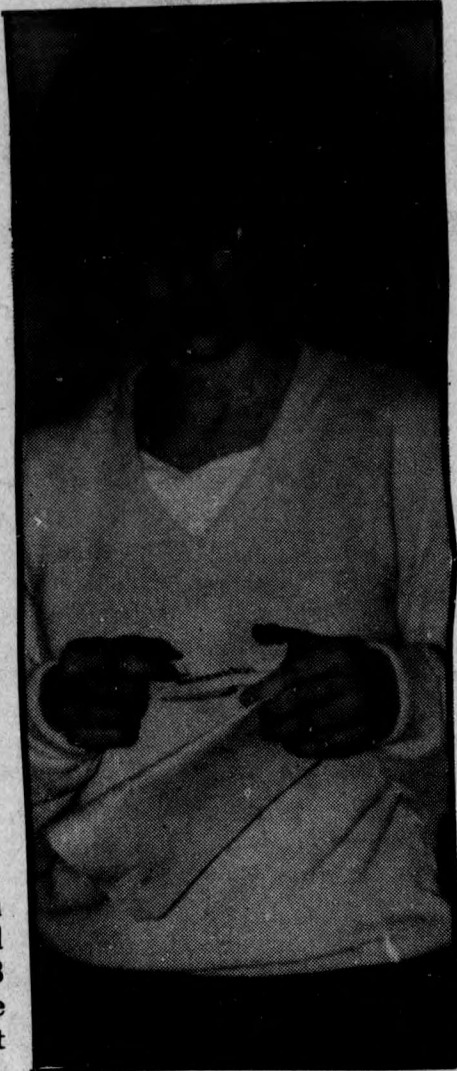
The NHL season is winding down and most play-offs have been decided. The big exception is the Patrick Division where at deadline only the Islanders had clinched a play-off berth. The Philadelphia Flyers and Washington Capitals have virtually clinched spots. The Flyers need a win to clinch whereas all the Capitals need is a tie.

The real battle in the division is between the New York Rangers, Pittsburgh Penguins, and New Jersey Devils. The Rangers had the upperhand until last weekend when they lost to the Devils and tied Detroit. As a result the Penguins were able to tie them on the strength of two weekend wins. The Devils' win leaves them three points behind with four games to go. The Penguins also have four games left but the Rangers have just three games left.

Mario Lemieux has been impressive of late. He had ten points in the two weekend games. That opened up a 23 point bulge over Gretzky in the scoring race. Looks like an Art Ross trophy for Mario. If Pittsburgh makes the play-offs, he will undoubtedly win the Hart trophy as well. He has 160 points for a team that has

scored 306 overall. Thus, he's been responsible for all their scoring.

Sean Burke has won six out



of seven games since coming to the Devils from the Canadian Olympic team. This guy is gonna emerge as the league's

next great goaltender.

Speaking of play-off spots the only other one in question is fourth spot in the Norris division. The Leafs and North Stars are tied but the North Stars have a game advantage. The Leafs may well sneak into the play-offs again. If they do, it wouldn't surprise me to see Kenny Wregget get hot again.

One of the hottest teams in the league right now is the Hartford Whalers. The Whalers have struggled all year but recently they have played well behind the good goaltending of Richard Brodeur. Brodeur seems like a new man since getting out of Vancouver. The Canadiens can't take this Whaler club lightly in the first round of the play-offs.

One of the most improved clubs this year has been the Buffalo Sabres. The Sabres have made the play-offs for the first time in three years. The credit for this improvement goes to coach Ted Sator. Sator should be recognized as one of the best coaches around. The Sabres have played at a higher level since he was hired late last season, combined with fewer personnel changes. Of course Demers is still the superstar of the coaching ranks but it's nice to see some shining young stars.



*From the Litterbox*

UNB Fredericton  
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Hitler Kitty won the S.U. elections yesterday by a unanimous decision of 90% of the voters. This election also marked the first time in UNB history that over 80% of the students voted. When Hitler Kitty was asked for his comment on his victory he stated: "Meow!" The Hitler Kitty organization is ready to get to work in preparing for the next year. Steven Marks, campaign manager, was not available for comment on Hitler Kitty's victory. Sources say he is in the Dr. Everett Chalmers Hospital and is scheduled for an appendix operation later today.

Dr. Everett Chalmers Hospital

"Just breathe deeply Mr. Marks," said the nurse. The operating table was ready when Dr. VonVixvace entered the room. The world-reknown face surgeon had arrived yesterday for a special case in Steven Marks.

Belizian Secret Police

We finally got an operative in the most powerful position in Canada, and this was done with the help of arch enemy Steven Marks. This is a great moment in the history of our country. In the light of our great accomplishments, March 30th will be considered as a statutory holiday, to which no name has been given yet.

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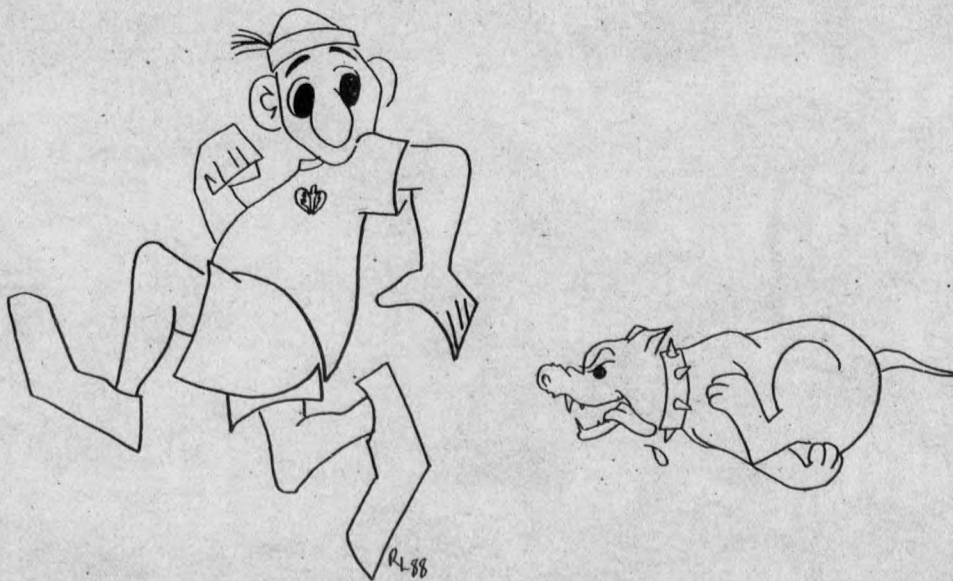
The Brunswickan has been very quiet this week due to the loss of Steven Marks. There has been an increase in production though, and everyone is less tense about being attacked by Foreign Secret Police. Due to Marks' absence Eric Drummie slid into the sports editor's position for next year. The first order of his reign was to fire Marks from the paper due to his lack of ability, insubordination, and the fact that he is just an all around clumsy jerk.



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