

Maurice Richard, born in 1921, remains Quebec's great sports hero. Nicknamed "The Rocket," he played hockey with the Montreal Canadiens for 18 seasons, from 1942 to 1960, setting records for winning goals (83) and most goals in playoffs (82). He once scored all five goals

# **AURICE RICHARD**

in a Stanley Cup match. When he was suspended by the National Hockey League in 1955, riots broke out in Montreal. His brother, Henri, 5 feet 7 inches tall, 160 pounds, known as the "Pocket Rocket," also starred with the Canadiens, for 19 years.

## The People's Choice

"Hockey is a sport of the people—the lunch bucket crowd, guys who slug their guts out all week long and whose only enjoyment is a few beers and a hockey game."

Derek Sanderson

## McLuhan's Mask

"You see, TV will not take a face, it has to have a mask. That's why the Jimmy Carters and the John F. Kennedys were good people for TV, because they didn't have a face, they had a mask. That applies to Trudeau as well. Trudeau has the mask of an American Indian and it's a potent mask."

Marshall McLuhan

## Propulsion

"Some days were good days, some days were bad days, but I cannot recall any day that I did not try my best."

Maurice "Rocket" Richard.

#### The Flin Flon Man or How One Thing Can Lead to Another

In 1905 J. E. Preston-Muddock wrote a book called The Sunless City, which recounted the adventures of Josiah Flintahbatey Flonatin, who explored a bottomless lake and found a city at the centre of the earth. In 1908 some prospectors making their way in Manitoba found a battered copy. In 1914 one of them, Tom Creighton, fell through the ice of a Manitoba lake and built a fire on the shore to dry off. The fire melted the snow, revealing mineral-bearing rock. Tom and his friends decided that this must be the very lake Josiah had explored, so they name the mine Flin Flon. Since then it has produced gold, silver, copper, cadmium and zinc worth billions. The is now a Flin Flon Festival each year featuring the 81-Mile Canadian Open Gold Rush Canoe Derby.

#### Chickens of the Sea

Mother Carey's chickens are small, dear, blackish birds with white rumps. They are found far out at sea, off Labrador, Newfoundland, the Maritimes, Quebec and British Columbia. Sailors believe they lay their eggs on floating clumps of seaweed and never go ashore. Actually they do, but only to nest on coastal islands. Their name derives from the Latin, *Mater Cara*, Dear Mother, a name for the Blessed Virgin, the Patron of Sailors. They are more prosaicly known as *Leach's petrels* and *le petrel cul-blanc*.



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