

Think Positive Marrs Keynote

PORT ARTHUR, Ont. (CP)—Port Arthur Marrs think positive, which is one reason the Thunder Bay Junior Hockey League champions are in the Memorial Cup final against Toronto Marlboros.

After a 19-year absence Port Arthur was given little chance to reach the best-of-seven Canadian championship series, which starts in neighboring Fort William Gardens Sunday. But coach Albert Cava and his players didn't agree with the forecasters.

Back in 1965-66, captain Ray Adduono said the Port Arthur drought would end in 1967. The high-scoring centre even correctly predicted the number of games it would take each playoff rival to fall—Fort William Canadiens in five games, Geraldton Gold Miners in three, Flin Flon Bombers in six and

New Westminster Royals in five.

"All I've said all along was that it would take a good hockey team to beat us," said Cava. "We've been the underdogs in a couple of series and we expect to be again. That's the way we like it. They didn't expect us to get this far but here we are.

"We know we're meeting a team which proved itself best in the top junior league in the country (the Ontario Hockey Association). We expect the Marlies to be tough. But we'll show up."

Other series games will be played Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and, if necessary, Monday, May 15, Tuesday, May 16 and Wednesday, May 17. All will be in 4,400-seat Gardens, already sold out for the first four matches.