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# 2nd period Waterloo collapse costly 8-5

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The Thunder Bay Twins took a giant step towards another United States Hockey League championship with a convincing 8-5 victory over Waterloo at McElroy Auditorium Sunday afternoon.

The Twins, leading 2-0 in the best-of-five game series, now must win just one more game on home ice to capture the 1973-74 USHL crown.

The Black Hawks' stumbling block Sunday afternoon was the second period, when they were outscored 5-0 by the machine-like Twin attack.

"WE JUST RAN out of gas again in the second period," said Black Hawk Coach Dave Swick, whose team relinquished the lead to the Twins

in the middle 20 minutes of each of the first two championship tilts.

"We played a good first period but I just don't know what happened to us in that second period," continued Swick. "I know we didn't touch anybody that entire second period, though."

Waterloo, which outscored the defending USHL champs 5-3 in the first and third periods, led 2-1 after the opening stanza.

Following the game's first goal by Twin defenseman Steve Rubenick, the Mark Weinstein line scored a pair of power play goals for the Black Hawks.

Center Weinstein knotted the score at 1-1 with 14:21 gone when he banged in Hal Murphy's centering pass as

the USHL's leading scorer, Thunder Bay's Barry Hogan, was sitting out a holding penalty.

A second two-minute minor cost the Twins, who seldom get in penalty troubles, when Murphy gave Waterloo its second man-advantage marker 1:08 after Weinstein's goal.

THEN, CAME the five-goal Thunder Bay second period. Jack Byerley and Brian Depiero each scored twice for the disciplined Twins during that 20 minute span.

Waterloo defenseman Dale Pennock got beat twice to set up the first two Twin goals in the second.

Byerley tied the game at 2-2 when he stole the puck from Pennock from in front of the

Black Hawk net and put it past goalie Jim Coyle. Pennock had been beaten on the play as his defensive partner Charlie Brown and left-winger Cliff Hendrickson hustled back and appeared to have the play covered up.

Depiero then scored on a pair of power play goals within the next six minutes to give the Twins a two-goal margin, 4-2. Depiero skated by Pennock, who was forced to take a tripping penalty in order to prevent a breakaway, with 12:13 left in the second. Nine seconds later, Depiero had his first goal.

He scored three minutes later when Jim Gospodar was

in the penalty box with a two-minute minor.

BYERLEY GOT a break-away on Coyle and scored 1:34 after Depiero's second.

The Twins then added insult to injury when they not only stopped Waterloo during a 1:20 span when they were two-men short, but scored themselves. Defenseman Danny Wilson stole the puck from Jack Barzee and skated in on Coyle to tally the final Twins second period red-lighter with 3:39 remaining.

Three goals were scored during a 1:27 span midway through the final period.

Chuck Kelner was able to tip a Byerley pass to fatten the Twins' margin to five goals, 7-2, with 8:10 gone in the third. Murphy then notched his second goal of the afternoon when he deflected a Bud McRae shot 24 seconds later.

Hogan quickly added a goal to reclaim a five-point lead for Thunder Bay.

Although the game was pretty well out of reach, Charlie Brown and Russ Houston gave the partisan Waterloo crowd of 2,940 some hopes for a rally with goals in the latter half of the final stanza.

Brown scored an unassisted goal with 9:03 remaining in the contest while Houston tipped a Brown shot from the point past 17-year-old Twin goaltender, Rod Manty, three minutes later for the game's final marker.

A foot injury to Pennock ended a Waterloo lineup change. Dave Mazur, who was put back at center Sunday after playing defense in the latter portion of the season,

returned to the blue-line after Pennock caught a shot on the skate midway through the second period.

SWICK, WHO was trying to figure out why his team was unable to play a full 60 minutes of good hockey in the first two games with Thunder Bay, realizes Waterloo's championship hopes are now very dim.

However, he displayed optimism after Sunday's crucial setback. "Sure, it'll be tough for us to win it all in Thunder Bay next weekend. But you never know, it's happened before."

The Twins host the Black Hawks Friday night. Saturday and Sunday games will be played in Fort William Arena, as needed.

#### WATERLOO LINEUP

Goal: Coyle; defense: McRae, Brown, Gospodar; Penneck; forwards: Lesyshen, Houston, Barzee, Mazur, Lamoureux, Hendrickson, Weinstein, Murphy, Smith, Selinger.

#### THUNDER BAY LINEUP

Goal: Manty; defense: Wilson, Rubenick, Ferguson, Vollant; forwards: Hogan, Deacon, Lindquist, Byerley, Kelner, McLeod, Bragnolo, Depiero, Nuttal, Miltrush.

#### SCORING BY PERIODS

WATERLOO 2 0 3-5  
Thunder Bay 1 5 2-8  
First period—1. Thunder Bay, Rubenick (Depiero, Lindquist), 6:57; 2. Waterloo, Weinstein (Murphy, Pennock), 14:21; 3. Waterloo, Murphy (Gospodar, Brown), 15:29. Penalties: Hogan (holding), 13:31; Vollant (holding), 16:14; Murphy (tripping), 17:24.

Second period—4. Thunder Bay, Byerley (Kelner, Lindquist), 5:04; 5. Thunder Bay, Depiero (Hogan Deacon), 7:56; 6. Thunder Bay, Depiero (Hogan), 11:00; 7. Thunder Bay, Byerley (Wilson, Kelner), 12:34; 8. Thunder Bay, Wilson (unassisted), 16:21. Penalties: Pennock (tripping), 7:47; Miltrush (fighting), 9:38; Lamoureux (fighting), 9:38; Gospodar (tripping), 10:14; Depiero (holding), 15:07; Rubenick (hooking), 15:47; Barzee (hooking), 16:52.

Third period—9. Thunder Bay, Kelner (Byerley, Lindquist), 8:10; 10. Waterloo, Murphy (McRae, Weinstein), 8:34; 11. Thunder Bay, Hogan (McLeod), 9:37; 12. Waterloo, Brown (unassisted), 11:57; 13. Waterloo, Houston (Brown, Lamoureux), 14:47. Penalties: Hogan (interference), 13:44; Hogan (tripping), 17:56.

#### SHOTS ON GOAL

WATERLOO 18 10 15-43  
Thunder Bay 15 18 9-42  
OFFICIALS: John Riccl, referee; John Watts and Mike Leach, linesmen.  
A: 2,940.







**THUNDER BAY GOALIE** Rod Manty looks between his legs after Mark Weinstein of Waterloo tied Sunday afternoon's United States Hockey League championship playoff

game at 1-1 with a power play goal in the first period. Weinstein took a centering pass from teammate Hal Murphy in the left corner while Jim Smith looks on. The Twins

went on to win the game 8-5 and take a 2-0 lead in the best-of-five-game series. (Courier photo by Dan Jacob).