After three futile trys for the United States hockey crown, the Bosto nOlympics semed destined to become the U.S. champions.

They have built up a commanding five-point lead. Eight are necessary to capture the crown which eluded the Pics on three occasions on the West Coast.

Tonight when the Olympics face the Los Angeles Monarchs, in the fourth game, they will have a slight edge, because of those two victories and one tie, which they used to add up the five points.

In each game, the Pacific Coast champs with Ray Chaisson and Fishy Dumond leading the attack, manged to get out in front in the early stages of the game. Yet, the Olympics made remarkable comebacks and this has the visitors down just a bit. They seem to have less fighting spirit in each contest.

## BRACE OF GOALS

Bobby Schnurr, injured Sunday night when he crashed into the Monarch nets, hopes to be able to play, but it is doubtful if he will. Bob has been visiting Win Green at Fenway Park where he has been helped by the whirlpool

When he was out Tuesday night, Ronnie Rowe moved to center, and Yves Sarra-Bournet was placed on the wing vacated by Rowe. With Pentti Lund, this trio went on a rampage and even saw Sarra-Bournet get a brace of goals, more than he had gotten all season.

Another bit of help came from a third line which had Pat Coburn, Don Mann and the popular Al Yourkewicz as a unit. They were the scrappiest lot on the ice and the fans really went for them.

Chaisson continues to shine out for the visitors but the superb work of Cliff Thompson and Al Shill with Pat Boehmer in the nets has proved too much for the Monarchs.

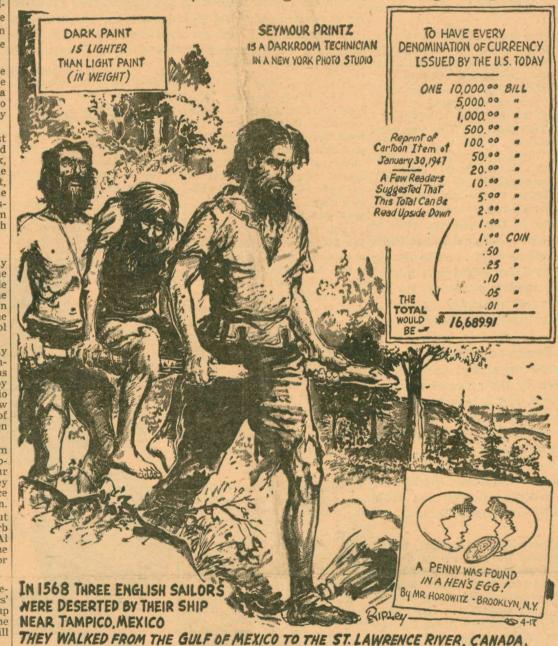
Joe Delmonte. Monarch's defenseman and brother of the Pics' right winger (Dutch), came up with a sore left side after the game last Tuesday night, but will play tonight.

Al Leader, managing director of the Pacific Coast League, will arrive by plane today. He will witness the game tonight.

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for Baltimore Clippers this season, is standing by for the Pics Bill Hannon, who played center in case of further injuries.