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Hawks, Ramblers Tied For 2nd Spot

MONCTON (CP) — Moncton Hawks scored a goal in each period here Wednesday night to defeat Fredericton Capitals 3-2 and move into a second-place tie with Amherst Ramblers in the Atlantic Coast Senior Hockey League.

It was the second win in as many nights for the Hawks over the Capitals. They won 6-5 in Fredericton Tuesday.

The Caps led 2-1 after one period on goals by Neil Hewell and Nic Nicolle. Dewar Thomson shot the only Moncton tally of the first.

Playing coach Dugger McNeil squared the count for the Hawks after 25 seconds of the second on a slow screened shot.

Ray LaCroix, Moncton's top sniper, fired the winner after five minutes of the third.

The Hawks and Ramblers, with 38 points each, now trail the leading Charlottetown Islanders by seven points.

Goals: Fredericton — Goal: Craig; defence: Powers, Mosgrove, Heon, Mcintosh; forwards: McPhee, Nicolle, Gilbert, Leger, McDonagh, McDonald, Sewell, Bliss, Miles. Moncton — Goal: Pidsodry; defence: McNeil, Lepine, McLaughlin, Weaver, Michelin; forwards: Bowness, Thomson, Watters, LaCroix, Robinson, Houle, Campeau, Hirschfeld, Sinnott.

Summary
First period: 1, Fredericton Sewell (E. McDonald, Bliss) 5:05; 2, Fredericton, Nicolle (McPhee) 11:24; 3, Moncton, Thomson (Lepine) 19:59. Penalties: McPhee, Mosgrove, Sinnott 2:48, Heon, LaCroix

Pro Golf Meet At Hamilton
MONTEAL (CP) — The Canadian professional golfers championship will be played over Hamilton's Ancaster course Aug. 11-13, it was announced here Wednesday.

Bill Kerr, president of the Canadian Professional Golfers Association, also announced \$3,000 prize money will be put up again this year by a sponsoring distillery.

Last year's tournament winner was Stan Leonard of Vancouver. The championships were played at Edmonton.

Edmonton Eskimos Team Of 1954 In Canadian Sport

By JACK SULLIVAN
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TORONTO (CP) — Any way you care to figure it, Edmonton Eskimos are the team of 1954 in Canadian sports.

The country's sports editors and sportscasters took a good look at Edmonton's 26-25 Grey Cup victory over Montreal Alouettes and voted the Eskimos the outstanding team in the country. And the manner in which the Eskimos won ranked them No. 2 behind Penticton V's as the comeback team of the year.

But that's not all. The voters, participating in the 20th annual Canadian Press year-end sports poll, received their greatest surprise and greatest thrill when Edmonton came from behind in the last 3 1/2 minutes to edge the highly-favored Alouettes in the Nov. 27 classic.

CLOSE VOTING
The voting was close all the way except in the surprise category where the Eskimos polled 75 of the 115 votes. Far behind with only 10 votes was the third-place finisher of Toronto's Rich Ferguson behind Dr. Roger Bannister and John Lardy in the miracle mile at the British Empire Games.

Marlyn Hall's feat of finishing the grueling Lake Ontario swim was the surprise of the year for nine voters.

Other surprise ballots went to the drawing power of British Columbia Lions in the Western Inter-provincial Football Union despite their record of one victory in 16 starts; Canada's loss to Russia in the world hockey championships; Penticton's Allan Cup triumph; loss of the highly-regarded King Maple in the Queen's Plate and Toronto Varsity winning the senior intercollegiate football title.

Alouettes, second choice on the disappointment list to Canada's hockey loss, were also No. 2 outstanding team. Penticton was No. 3 and Montreal Canadiens of the National Hockey League No. 4.

Votes in this section of the poll were computed on three for first choice, two for second and one for third. Edmonton's point-total was 186 against 134 for the Alouettes, 76 for Penticton and 62 for the Canadiens.

Toronto Maple Leafs of the International Baseball League followed mentioned ranged from 16 for the lowest with 48 points. Other teams and individuals mentioned ranged from 16 for the B.E. Games-winning University of British Columbia rowing eight to single points for nine others.

THRILL OF THE YEAR
The experts gave the nod to the Grey Cup final and Jackie Parker's 85-yard game-winning touchdown run for the thrill of the year, but it was close. Next was the Bell swim and third was the miracle mile. Point-totals were: Grey Cup,

Colorful Hawks Visitors Tonight

The colorful Moncton Hawks who last night jumped into a second place tie with the Ramblers come to town tonight to play the league-leading Charlottetown Islanders at the Forum. The Hawks who have won both games they played this week will be gunning for a win tonight which would take them to within five points of the short-handed Brklacich gang.

Since their last appearance here, coach Dugger McNeil has added another strong performer to the Hawks' line-up in the form of defenceman Paul Emile Michelin. Michelin, by the Hub City scribes, is labelled as one of the best rear-guarders in business in the ACSHL today and will have the chance of a life-time to prove it against the fast skating Islander smoothies.

The Hawks also have a couple of players who like to put on their own private show besides their usually fair display of the game itself. Tops among this group is goalie Nick Pidsodny who almost invariably has the crowd roaring with his antics. Another in this select group is defenceman Joe Lepine.

The Islanders will still be without two of their players in the game tonight. Vip Palladino and Danny O'Connor remain on the sidelines, sitting out their almost endless suspensions. Even without those two strong performers, the

Islanders showed a lot of get up and go in Tuesday night's game against the Ramblers, and if they continue that terrific pace in this evening's match, they should have little trouble in increasing the first place lead.

Goalie Jim Shirley, who last week fell a dozen goals and one shut-out behind Pidsodny in the race for top goal-tending honors, has already closed the gap in the shut-out department and remains only four goals behind that of the Moncton blocker.

Won't Permit Beau Jack To Fight Again
NEW YORK (AP) — Manager Chick Weegels, who claims he has a contract with Beau Jack, said Wednesday he will not permit the former lightweight champion to fight again.

"I read a report that Jack is going to make a comeback in Columbia, S.C. next month," said Weegels. "He won't fight if I can help it. I signed him to a five-year contract back in 1952 so he couldn't fight again. He'd get hurt."

"His knees are still bad," said Weegels. "After he was stopped by Gil Turner in 1951, I told him he'd have to quit for his own good. He couldn't back up and he was sure to get hurt real bad if he continued."

Jack was stopped in eight rounds by Turner on May 21, 1951. The New York state athletic commission refused to give him a license in 1952.

Scores On Long Basketball Shot
DOVER, N.H. (AP) — In what state sports officials believe to be the longest high school basketball shot on record, Andre Bib Paquette of Laconia Tuesday night sank a 72-foot, three-inch basket.

With Portsmouth leading Laconia 21-7 in the closing seconds of the first half of the southern New H.H. tournament finals, left-forward Paquette picked off a rebound, spun around and pushed the ball in a high arc toward the Portsmouth basket. As it rose the buzzer sounded, ending the half.

The ball slapped the backboard and dropped through the hoop. Laconia took the title with a 52-48 victory.

Wants New Try At Speed Record
LOS ANGELES (AP) — An air force doctor, "the fastest man on earth," says he wants to take another ride on his rocket sled and go faster than the speed of sound.

Lt. Col. John Paul Strapp, 44, of Alamogordo, N.M., set a world's land speed record of 632 miles an hour Dec. 10 at Holloman air development centre, N.M. That speed was about nine-tenths the 714 m.p.h. speed of sound at Holloman that day.

"I'd like now to make one more try to reach a speed where the wind pressure would be 24 pounds per square inch," he told reporters Tuesday. The pressure reached during his Dec. 10 run was 7.7 pounds.

Col. Strapp said his findings may lead to improvement in escape seats for high flying, high speed aircraft.

"Capsule, or closed, seat would cost \$30,000 to install and the present open seats are around \$4,000 to \$5,000. By improving the present ones we could save around \$25,000," he explained.

Bobby Thomson Signs Contract
MILWAUKEE (AP) — Outfielder Bobby Thomson, whose ankle fracture last spring was the first of a series of injuries to Milwaukee Braves' players, signed his 1955 contract Wednesday.

The veteran outfielder, who saw only minor action last summer, reached an agreement after a short conference with general manager John Quinn. Terms were not revealed. Guesses were he will receive the same salary as a year ago, estimated between \$30,000 and \$35,000.

Thomson, the first Brave regular to sign his contract, appeared in 43 games for Braves, mostly as a pinch-hitter, and compiled a .232 batting average.

Ferris Fain Signs Contract
DETROIT (AP) — Detroit Tigers received a 1955 contract agreement Monday from Ferris Fain, newly acquired first baseman from Chicago White Sox. No terms were disclosed.

Detroit got Fain, pitcher Leo Cristante and infielder Jack Phillips from Chicago Dec. 6 for outfielder Bob Nieman, first baseman Walt Dropo and pitcher Ted Gray.

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N. Y.	36	8	18	10	79	26	36
Chicago	33	6	20	7	72	109	18

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Primroses Defeat Hornets 8-6 In Exhibition Tilt

The newly organized Montague Primroses gave good account of themselves last evening as they defeated the Milton Hornets 8-6 in an exhibition game played at the Charlottetown Forum.

The Primroses were paced by the hat-trick performances of both Jackie Shepherd and Apps Arsenault, while Phil McGee counted the other brace of markers for the Montague men. For the Hornets, Bob Hurry had a trio of goals, while Coles, Frizzell and Campbell each had singletons.

Seek Missing Club Manager
WINNIPEG (CP) — Police have sent out a missing persons notice on Mickey O'Neil, manager of the Winnipeg Goldeyes of the class C Northern Baseball League last season.

His wife appealed here Thursday for aid in locating her 37-year-old husband. She has not heard from him since he left one month ago for St. Louis, Mo., and Houston, Texas.

O'Neil was last heard of two weeks ago when he visited a friend in St. Louis. Since that time he has dropped out of sight.

2 Players Sign With Dodgers
BROOKLYN (AP) — Outfielder George Shuba and shortstop Fernandez Monday returned their signed contracts to the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Shuba appeared in only 45 games last season with the Dodgers, hitting .154. Fernandez, boomed as a Dodger regular and possible replacement for Pee Wee Reese after his fine year at Montreal, is hitting about .324 with the Cienfuegos of the Cuban winter league.

He batted .262 at Montreal and won a place on the International League all-star team.

Praise Talbert In Davis Cup Victory Over Aussies
By Will Grimsley
SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Tony Trabert and Vic Seixas, whose racquets won back the Davis Cup for the United States, said Wednesday their Australian campaign would probably have not been successful without captain Bill Talbert.

"I don't think we could have done the job without Bill," Trabert said. "No one knows how much credit he is due for our winning of the cup."

"We have been hearing for years what a genius Harry Hopman is," added Seixas. "We thought Talbert did the finest captain's job possible. He is trying to pass all the glory over to us — but he deserves plenty himself."

After four lean years, the U. S. is getting back the gleaming symbol of international tennis supremacy as a result of the 3-2 challenge round victory over Australia.

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Rocket Scores 401st Goal As Canadiens, Leafs Tie

TORONTO (CP) — Rocket Richard, Montreal's great sharp-shooter, scored goal number 401 of his brilliant career and then ran amok during a third-period battle Wednesday night as Canadiens and Toronto Maple Leafs played to a 1-1 tie before 14,051 National Hockey League fans.

The Rocket received a standing ovation from the crowd in the opening minute of the first period when he streaked in on Toronto goalie Harry Lumley, fired the puck home and then was carried head first into the net behind Lumley by his tremendous momentum.

Toronto deadlocked the score at 10:51 of the next period when Eric Nesterenko was the triggerman on a pretty passing play with linemates Sid Smith and Teeder Kennedy.

Boo Bailey, elevated from the farm club Pittsburgh Hornets of the American League for Wednesday night's contest, touched off the Richard blow-up with about five minutes left after he gave Richard a rough check near the boards in the Montreal end.

His temper flaring, Richard got up and took off after the solidly built Leaf forward. Fists flew and both players ended on the ice with Bailey on top holding the Rocket's legs.

The two linesmen finally separated the combatants and Richard tugged a stick away from a teammate and attempted to get at Bailey twice but was restrained.

The fiery Canadiens rightwinger finally broke away from linesman George Hayes and struck the official across the face with an empty glove.

Referee Red Storey gave the Rocket a five-minute major penalty for fighting and two 10-minute misconducts. Each misconduct carries an automatic \$25 fine. Bailey got off with a major and one misconduct.

First period: 1, Montreal, Richard (Mossell, Harvey) 19:02. Penalties: Thomson 2:42, Johnson 6:37, Olmstead 9:06, Richard 10:46, Sol-

ingers 13:36, Nesterenko and Mazur 18:56.

Second period: 2, Toronto, Nesterenko (Kennedy, Smith) 10:51. Penalties: Bolton 1:34, Bellevue and Kennedy 3:20.

Third period: Scoring: None. Penalties: Horton and Olmstead, majors 7:11; Richard, major and two misconducts 15:13, Bailey major and misconduct 18:13.

Stops: Flante 7 6 13-26
Lumley 10 9 6-25

Etcheverry To Discuss Terms

MONTEAL (CP) — Sam (the Rifle) Etcheverry, star quarterback last year with Montreal Alouettes of the Big Four Football league, has arrived here to talk terms for next year with the Alouettes management.

Etcheverry, voted the most valuable player to his team in Canada, said in an interview Wednesday he would prefer to return in 1955 with Montreal although he is reported to have received at least two offers from teams in the United States' National Football League.

Etcheverry lives in Albuquerque, N. Mex. He returns home today, picked up a point. Richard went pointless.

Gordie Howe, pace-setter at this time last year with 16 goals and 25 assists, is fifth this year with 11 goals and 16 assists.

There's a three-way tie for ninth position among Chicago's George Sullivan, Toronto's Ted Kennedy and New York's Don Raleigh, all at 25 points.

The assists leadership is held by Montreal's Doug Harvey, who has 22.

LUMLEY IN LEAD
Toronto still has the best net-minding average, Harry Lumley and Gil Mayer, who played a single game, have let in 57 goals in 34 games for a 1.68 average. Terry Sawchuk is next with 2.06.

Fern Piman has spent the most time in the penalty box—74 minutes. Montreal is the most-penalized team with a total of 442 minutes.

The leaders:

	G	A	Pts.
Geoffrion, Mt.	22	16	38 31
Beliveau, Mt.	15	18	33 24
Richard, Mt.	16	16	32 37
Mossell, Mt.	16	14	30 33
Howe, Detroit	11	16	27 32
Lewicki, New York	18	8	26 2
Smith, Toronto	16	10	26 4
Delvecchio, Det.	8	18	26 21
Sullivan, Chicago	5	26	25 18
Kennedy, Toronto	5	20	25 36
Raleigh, N. Y.	4	21	25 13

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