

# Babe Zaharias Athlete Of Year

By MURRAY ROSE

NEW YORK (AP)—It could not be said that Babe Zaharias was the greatest female athlete ever first won this honor in 1932 when she set Olympic records in winning the javelin throw and 80 metre hurdles. She won it again in 1946, 1947 and 1950 for her prowess in golf.

This, her sixth award, was for her great skill on the links. The supple, sinewy Babe won five tournaments during the year topped in a runaway, 12-stroke triumph in the women's U.S. open championship.

tennis titles when she was put out of action July 20. She broke her right leg in an accident while riding a horse.

Third with 41 points was golfer Patty Berg who won the women's world pro title at Tam O'Shanter and was leading money winner among the girls with \$16,011.

Fourth with 35 points was Doris Hart, who won the U. S. tennis championship in Maureen's absence.

Bowler Marion Ladewig was sixth, golfer Louise Suggs seventh, figure skater Tenley Albright was eighth and golfer Betsy Rawls ninth.

## Sport Echoes From Prince County

Prince County hockey fans will be glad to learn that a league has been organized to take in most of the main hockey centres of the county and if Jack Frost stops playing head-and-neck anytime in the near future, there should be some interesting hockey games played in these parts before spring.

Dr. Dewar of O'Leary has been elected president of the new circuit and will think the choice is an excellent one. We don't agree, however, with the rather unorthodox arrangements set up by which apparently all disputes connected with games, players, etc. will be handled by an arbitration committee with the president outside the picture entirely. We were not at the organization meeting, but were given to understand that this is how the league will function.

We believe a president should have authority to act with respect to disciplinary measures to be brought to bear against any player or team. Sometimes decisions have to be made in a hurry, and it is a little difficult for a committee embracing members from the several centres to get together for action without some delay. We think Dr. Dewar would be an ideal person to handle such decisions, and that he would be at all times fair to all teams.

It is just about impossible to get a man for president who, in the secret recesses of his mind, is not hoping that a certain team will win. In order to get a good president, you must get one who is a dyed-in-the-wool hockey fan, and who has the favor of the majority, and generally feel very strongly about them. But there are men in our midst who in spite of what they as individuals feel, can forget about their preferences when called upon to render impartial decisions respecting the league. We believe that Dr. Dewar, rabid O'Leary fan as he had always been, would be one of those men. We understand that the doctor preferred the present arrangements, however.

Maurice Cannon, elongated first baseman and home run clouter of the Curran & Briggs Junior Island baseball champions, and member of the Maritime Intermediate "B" champion Summerside Aces, has wandered back to Summerside after a stay in Toronto. Maurice will come in handy when Laysh Schurman starts to figure out his forward lines for the coming season. The hockey picture here is getting a little brighter all the time, although it cannot yet be said to be dazzling on the eyes. If one or two more of our export hockey players would come home we'd be sitting pretty.

Vance Harris is playing the best hockey of his career down in the valley. Vance is third in the scoring list down there, and generally comes up with one or more goals a game. We always said young Harris had the speed, the shot, and the intestinal fortitude to go places in hockey. What he lacked was finesse around an enemy cage and really smooth stickhandling. They tell us he's picking up those things now.

Right now Jack Frost is really a sick man, and until he is up and about again there cannot be any real enthusiasm for hockey in this natural ice town (that's better than no ice at all, folks, just throw that one in instead of a sheep the next time you find it hard to sleep).

## Former Relief Pitcher Jailed

PITTSBURGH (AP)—Joe Page, former star relief pitcher of the New York Yankees, was jailed late Monday on charges of desertion and non-support.

The charges were preferred by Page's wife.

Constable Edward Roenicke said he served a warrant on Page at the tavern operated by the former pitcher near Irwin, Pa.

Page tried a comeback with the National League Pittsburgh Pirates in the 1954 season but was released.

## Takes New Job With Chicago Cubs

CHICAGO (AP)—Clarence "Pants" Rowland Tuesday took over his new duties as executive vice-president of Chicago Cubs.

Rowland, 75, quit the Cubs in 1944 to become president of the Pacific Coast League. He returned to his new position with the club at the request of P. K. Wrigley.

"I'll work with every one, and naturally the idea will be to pull together," he said. "Mr. Wrigley wants to give the fans the kind of team he believes they deserve, and that's what we'll try to do."

The Cubs finished seventh the last two years, but Rowland had high praise for Stan Hack, who replaced Phil Cavarretta as manager last spring.

"Stan is a real nice boy and a good manager," he said.



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## Caps, Hawks In Overtime Draw

FREDERICTON (CP)—Fredericton Capitals rallied from a 3-0 deficit Tuesday night and tied Moncton Hawks 3-3 in an overtime Atlantic Coast Senior Hockey League game. Hawks maintained their third place in the standings, only one point ahead of Fredericton.

Lorne Watters, a new Moncton forward, scored twice in the first period and helped Bob Bowness in the second before Neil Sewell opened the Fredericton scoring. Sewell counted again in the third and Doug Hewey tied the game. The deadlock was unbroken in overtime.

Moncton—Goal: Pidsodny; defence: McNeil, Lepine, Weaver, McLaughlin; forwards: Houle, Lacroix, Dorrington, Sinnett, Campbell, Bowness, Hirschfeld, Robinson, Watters, Thomson.

Fredericton—Goal: Craig; defence: Powers, MacIntosh, Mosgrove; forwards: McPhee, Nicolle, Hewey, Smith, McDonagh, Bliss, Miles, Sewell.

Summary  
First period: 1. Moncton, Watters (Thomson, Bowness) 13:00; 2. Moncton, Watters (Lacroix, McNeil) 16:47. Penalties: Dorrington 7:55, Mosgrove 12:08, Watters, 13:17.  
Second period: 3. Moncton, Bowness (Watters) 7:25; 4. Fredericton, Sewell (MacIntosh) 15:07. Penalties: Sinnett 6:40, Hewey 10:05, Lepine 11:21, McDonagh 19:40.  
Third period: 5. Fredericton, Sewell (Mosgrove, Powers) 6:27; 6. Fredericton, Hewey (McPhee, Mosgrove) 9:20. Penalties: None.  
Overtime: Scoring: None. Penalties: Powers 8:57, Watters 8:37.  
Stops: Pidsodny 8 8 5 5—26; Craig 7 9 6 8—30.

## Maple Leafs Dispose Of 5 Ottawa Senators' Players

TORONTO (CP)—Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League Tuesday night announced disposition of five Leaf-owned players from Ottawa Senators, the Quebec league team that folded Monday.

Three of the players will go to Vancouver Canucks of the Western Hockey League and the other two to Providence Reds of the American League.

Forwards Bill Ezinicki and Phil Maloney were sold outright to Canucks and Hugh Barlow, another forward, was sent to Vancouver on a loan basis. Barlow is subject to immediate recall by the Leafs.

Forward Red Johnson was sold to Providence while defenceman Bobby Robertson was loaned to Reds for the rest of this season.

## Close Scoring Race In Q.H.L.

MONTREAL (CP)—Ray Powell of Quebec Aces and Kelly Burnett of Montreal Royals are tied for scoring leadership in the Quebec Hockey League, each with 43 points. Powell is rated top spot because he has scored more goals, 17 to Burnett's 14.

Orval Tessier of Royals, who did a brief fill-in job with Montreal Canadiens of the National Hockey League, is high man among the goal-getters with 22. He has 18 assists and is third with total points of 40.

Mike Labadie of Quebec follows with 10 goals and 26 assists for 36 points and Lulu Denis of Montreal is one point back with 10 goals and 25 assists.

## Mickey Mantle And Cousin Fined \$17.50

PRYOR, Okla. (AP)—Mickey Mantle, New York Yankees centre-fielder, and his cousin, Max Mantle, were fined \$17.50 each Monday on speeding charges.

Police said Mickey was arrested after being clocked at 80 miles an hour, and Max, travelling in another car, was clocked at 70.

## Halifax Protests New Glasgow Game

NEW GLASGOW (CP)—New Glasgow Rangers pushed 10 points ahead of second place Halifax Wolves by downing them 5-1 in a protested APC senior hockey league game Monday night.

Kennedy McOnie of Wolves drew a minor, slugged referee Alex Robertson in a row over another player's penalty, and was given a misconduct, then a match misconduct for chasing the referee around the ice.

Halifax protested the game on the grounds that referee Robertson played for New Glasgow at the start of the season.

## Harvey Kuenn Named For Baseball Sophomore Award

NEW YORK (AP)—Harvey Kuenn, 1953 baseball rookie of the year, Monday gained the sophomore of the year distinction for 1954 in a poll of sports writers and sportscasters throughout the United States.

The spectacular 24-year-old Detroit Tigers shortstop won the Associated Press award with a .306 batting mark that included 201 hits. Only one other major leaguer, Nellie Fox of the Chicago White Sox, made as many hits.

Kuenn was in from all the way, attracting almost four times as many votes as runner-up Ruben Gomez, New York Giants' youthful right-hander. The former all-around Wisconsin University athlete received 206 votes to Gomez's 65.

Ray Jablonski, slugging third-baseman recently traded by St. Louis Cardinals to Cincinnati, was third with 30 votes. Strikeout star Bob Turley, transferred from Baltimore to New York Yankees, was fourth with 28 and Jimmy Green-

## FORUM DATES

DEC. 21 to 25

WEDNESDAY—Skating 8 to 10

THURSDAY—Skating 8 to 10

FRIDAY—Children's Skating 3 to 5  
No Skating at night.

SATURDAY—CHRISTMAS DAY  
Two happy Skating Sessions—Afternoon 3 to 5  
Night 8 to 10



## Islanders Suffer 10-4 Loss In Amherst Game Last Night

AMHERST, N. S. (CP)—Amherst Ramblers blasted league-leading Charlottetown Islanders 10-4 Tuesday night in an Atlantic Coast Senior Hockey League contest featured by the four-goal effort of Jackie Schmidt.

Schmidt scored four of the five Amherst goals in the first period as Ramblers took a 5-0 lead and assisted on the other. He also had another assist in the third.

Shermie White tied Schmidt's point-getting effort with one goal and five assists and Dave Kiley had five assists.

Ramblers win strengthened their second-place spot in the league, seven points behind Islanders. Islanders failed to score until after the eighth-minute mark of the second period and then were blanked again until the last five minutes of the finale.

Lineups  
Amherst—Goal: Tremblay; defence: L. Kiley, Rogers, Blackburn, Parr; forwards: White, Therrien, Savard, D. Kiley, Reid, Sandon, Kennedy, Bernaque, Schmidt.  
Charlottetown—Goal: Shirley; defence: O'Connor, Brklacich, Leyte; forwards: Whitlock, Hennessy, Jones, Leduc, Gray, Kullman, Dowling, Carver.

Summary  
First period: 1. Amherst, Schmidt (White) 6:00; 2. Amherst, Blackburn (Schmidt, White) 13:04.

## Seeks \$100,000 From Boxer

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—A man injured in an auto accident last Aug. 8 Monday filed suit for \$100,000 against Joey Giardello, middle-weight boxing contender.

A lawyer for Vincent DiDillipis, 28, of Philadelphia, filed suit alleging that negligence on Giardello's part caused a crash in which DiDillipis suffered the loss of vision in his left eye.

Giardello suffered a knee injury in the crash and was forced to postpone his scheduled championship bout with Carl (Bobo) Olson in San Francisco last Wednesday.

## NHL Standing

Team	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Montreal	34	20	9	5	106	73	45
Detroit	32	19	11	2	82	64	40
Toronto	32	16	8	8	77	58	40
Boston	30	10	14	6	69	85	26
New York	33	8	17	8	72	94	24
Chicago	31	6	20	5	65	102	17

## Fifth Giants' Player Signs

NEW YORK (AP)—Whitey Lockman, first baseman of New York Giants, Monday signed his contract, becoming the fifth member of the world champions to sign for 1955.

Lockman, 28, hit 251 last season in 148 games, slugging 16 home runs and driving in 60 runs.

Willie Mays, Ruben Gomez, Al Dark, Hank Thompson and Lockman now are in the fold.

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## Montreal Pays Tribute To Richard's Achievement

MONTREAL (CP)—The city added its tribute to that of thousands of hockey fans Tuesday night at a reception to honor Maurice (Rocket) Richard's 400th National Hockey League goal.

Mayor Jean Drapeau gave Richard a wood carving of a hunter to commemorate the goal, scored in Chicago Saturday night. Guy Rousseau and Ken Mosdell, who assisted on the counter, also received gifts from the city.

The reception, held in the mayor's office, was attended by a number of the Rocket's teammates and leaders in other branches of sport in Montreal.

"I would like to have you back here for another reception to honor your 500th goal," Mayor Drapeau said as he presented Richard with the wood carving.

Richard said he never expected the publicity and receptions that greeted his 400th goal.

"It was just like any other goal to me," he said.

Frank Selke, general manager of the Montreal Canadiens, hinted at a bigger celebration to mark the occasion but would not elaborate.

ROUSSEAU EXCITED  
Most excited of the Canadian players was little Rousseau, who laid down the pass to Richard for the 400th goal while he was on a three-game stay in the NHL. He now goes back to Quebec Frontenacs of the Quebec Junior Hockey League.

Rousseau, celebrating his 20th birthday Tuesday, had to be pushed forward to join Mosdell and Richard at the mayor's desk. He stood there beaming while first the mayor, then Richard and Mosdell, spoke.

## 59 Nominated For Handicap

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—Andrew J. Crevolin's Determine, piggest money-winning race horse of 1954, heads a list of 59 handicap stars nominated for the \$100,000 added Widener at Hialeah, racing secretary Charles J. McLerman announced Tuesday.

Determine, who earned \$328,704 this year in winning the Kentucky Derby, Santa Anita Derby and eight other big races, will be flown here to compete in the Widener, Saturday, Feb. 19. He will be accompanied by his stablemate, Improv, world-record holder for seven furlongs.

Other highly-regarded nominees include Robert S. Lytle's Correlation, winner of two \$100,000 races this year; King Ranch's High Gun, the three-year-old champion; and Alfred G. Vanderbilt's Handicap Ace, Social Outcast.

King Ranch is the top U. S. money-winning stable this year with purses totalling \$836,215.

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