

# Wings Within Two Wins Of 8th Championship

## Little Loop Cage Games Tonight

Two Little League basketball games are scheduled for tonight when Cubs take on Bears at 6 p.m. and Bruins battle Puddlers at 7 p.m.

Little loop cage schedule for tomorrow's play is as follows:

- 9-10 a.m. Braves vs Jets
- 10-11 a.m. Rangers vs Warblers
- 11-12 a.m. Bombers vs Chiefs
- 12-1 p.m. Tigers vs Eagles
- 1-2 p.m. Ramblers vs Flyers
- 2-3 p.m. Beavers vs Lions
- 3-4 p.m. Terriers vs Rovers

### RACER KILLED

MONTREAL, April 17.—Eugenio Castellotti, 27, Italys leading auto driver, was killed Thursday while testing a Ferrari racing car. Castellotti missed a curve and crashed over a safety wall.

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## Sports Trail

By Whitney Martin

NEW YORK (AP)—Al Weill was elated, an unusual circumstance considering that his fighter who sees a future heavyweight champion, lost in his recent professional debut in Toronto.

"It was his first pro fight," he enthused, "and he never had gone more than three rounds before. He went the full eight rounds and lost by a split decision. One of the judges voted for him 37 to 36 points."

Weill, who sewed up the title for Rocky Marciano without dropping a stitch, was speaking of his new prospect, a 20-year-old Englishman named Dave Rent.

Rent was matched against typographical error named Emil Brisko for his debut, and Weill admits that wasn't the only error.

"I underestimated this Brisko," Al admits. "I seen him fight in Pittsburgh and I didn't know he was not in shape. He's got a lot of experience. He knew too much in the clinches, which Rent will pick up like wildfire."

Weill plans to bring his man along slowly in Canada before shipping him to the U.S. He says Montreal, Quebec, Halifax and Boston want to see him and he expects to line up a tour there in the next week or so.

"He really looked great for his first pro start. He has a left hand like Lou Ambers, up and down, up and down, and hooking."

"He busted this Brisko's mouth to shreds with it, you couldn't have pinched it together. And Brisko was no setup, understand. He was an experienced young man. If he'd been anybody else Rent would have knocked him out."

Rent, it is recalled, was the light heavyweight champion of Great Britain, with an impressive knockout record, when his father wrote to Weill asking him if he would manage the boy.

"He can box and he can fight," Al resumed. "Did he get hurt? Not a bit. He got big eye, is all."

Rent hasn't put all his eggs in one basket. He is lining up a stable of fights of all weights and sizes, so much so that he can't remember offhand just how many he's got.

## Marie Stegavig Tops Honors In Celco Loop With 268,704

Marie Stegavig of Bulgers in B Division of the Celco City League Five Pin Bowling League collected top honors last week capturing women's high single game of 228 and racking up 704 for women's high three.

In the men's section, Leonard Harrington of RCMP snared high single game of 293 while Good Neighbor's Jim Thompson scored 675 for men's high triple.

A Team, high single was won by RCMP with 1143 while Bulgers rolled team high three of 3228.

In A division the women jundiors also captured double honors. Dot Larsen of Bleachers took high single game of 220 and chalked up 618 for high three.

In the men's play, Armando Di Re of Namalmo-Ltas notched 34 pins for high single game

## Rangers Assured Of Playoff Berth

By KENNEDY WELLS

Canadian Press Staff Writer

Detroit Red Wings are two victories away from their eighth National Hockey League championship in nine years.

The most consistently powerful team in the league's history all but sewed up the top spot for another year Thursday night when they survived a third-period surge by Chicago Black Hawks and took a 3-2 victory in Detroit.

Montreal Canadiens kept hot on their heels with an 8-4 trouncing of the fifth-place Toronto Maple Leafs—which assured New York Rangers of the last playoff spot—but even if the Canadiens win all their remaining four games, Wings must win two to keep them in second place.

### PLAYOFFS LINED UP

All the Stanley Cup contenders now have been decided, but the disposition of many thousands of dollars is still in doubt.

Still to be fought over is which teams gets the \$1,000 a player for first place, the \$500 for second place and the \$300 for third place; the \$1,000 for the leading goal-tender; the \$1,000 for the leading point-getter and the \$500 for the player second in the scoring race.

The latter three issues were brought to a white heat in Thursday night's games.

Gordie Howe scored a goal to stay three points ahead of winger Ted Lindsay in the scoring race as Lindsay collected an assist, but Canadiens' Jean Beliveau had a goal and three assists to draw to within a point of Lindsay.

And despite their win, the Canadians' Jacques Plante slipped into a tie with Detroit's Glenn Hall in the goaltenders' race. Each has allowed 150 goals.

### HOWE GETS 42ND

Johnny Bucyk, Lorne Ferguson and Howe scored the Detroit goals—it was Howe's 42nd this year—and Jack McIntyre and Eddie Litzenberger scored for Chicago.

At Montreal, the Leafs played wide-open hockey in a desperate gamble to keep their mathematical playoff hopes alive.

But the strategy backfired and Canadiens got 38 shots at Ed Chadwick.

Bernie (Boom-Boom) Geoffrion, only recently returned to action, led the Canadiens with two goals.

Three of the left-handers—Johnny Antonelli of New York Giants, Johnny Podres of Brooklyn Dodgers and Wilmer (Vinegar Bend) Mizell of St. Louis Cardinals—are among the top-rated in the league.

Floyd Curry, veteran of nine seasons on the Canadiens' right wing, was given a "night" by Montreal fans and collected everything from a new car to a year's supply of pizza pies, but didn't get a point during the game.

## Two Girls Tie Shoot With 98

Jessica Nelson and Lynn Wrathall tied for top honors in the Girls' Rifle Club shoot Wednesday night, each scoring 98 points.

Others attaining high scores were: Sharon Montgomery 94

and Carol Chastney 92.

Next rifle shoot will be held

March 20, under Instructor Kit Currie.

### Remember When

By The Associated Press

Howie Morenz, one of the all-time hockey greats, died in a Montreal hospital 20 years ago tonight.

Only 38 years old, the Montreal Canadiens star had been making a great comeback in his 14th NHL season when he suffered a broken leg in a game at Montreal. His death resulted from a heart attack.

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