

# AMERKS - LEAFS START PLAYOFFS TUESDAY

VICTORY OVER LEAFS LAST EVENING GAVE AMERKS ONE MORE WIN THAN CANADIENS AND SECOND PLACE SPOT

Rangers and Canucks Tied Saturday While Leafs Trimmed Americans; Wings Get First Victory Over Rangers; Boston Bruins Get Win

NEW YORK, March 21—Coming from behind, New York Americans down Toronto Maple Leafs 4-2 here last night to gain second position in the National Hockey League's Canadian Section. They will meet the Rangers here Tuesday in the first of a best-of-three game preliminary Stanley Cup playoff round.

The victory only brought the Americans on even standing with the Canadiens on points with 49 each, but they won 19 to the Montrealers' 18, giving them the edge.

A tie being useless to them the Americans threw caution to the wind in the closing period and their efforts were rewarded. The veteran Hookey Smith fired two shots past goalie Turk Broda, the winning tally coming on a sole effort.

Play 1-1 Draw

MONTREAL, March 21—New York Rangers and Montreal Canadiens, playing as though the Stanley Cup itself were at stake, battled to a 1-1 overtime draw Saturday night

## Attained Tops In Keenest Competition

### DATES ALLAN CUP FINALS ARE ANNOUNCED

Moncton Meets Quebec Winners In Two Tilts On Hub Ice, March 26th and 28th

OTTAWA, March 21—President Cecil Duncan of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association announced last night the Allan Cup finals for Dominion senior hockey supremacy would be held in Calgary April 9, 11 and 13, or April 11, 13, and 15.

In announcing the playdown dates Duncan said some minor changes in dates may have to be made, but on the whole the following schedule would be used:

Series "A" March 26 and March 28. Quebec vs. Maritimes; both games at Moncton, N. B.

Series "B" March 29 and March 31. Ottawa and District vs. Ontario Hockey Association, first game on ice of O.H.A. winners.

Series "C" Eastern finals, April 2 and April 4, winners of series "A" vs. winners of series "B"; first game on ice of winner of series "B". If Maritimes win over Quebec, both games will be played on ice of winner of series "B".

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in the league, with a total of 44.

Drillon, Moncton N.B., boy, led the league's pointmakers from the first week of the schedule which ended tonight. His total of goals, 26, was four better than attained by Thompson, who was second in that department.

Apps led the league in assists with 29, despite a furious last-minute bid by Art Chapman, of New York Americans. Chapman got six assists in the last week of the schedule to finish second with 27.

Red Horner of Toronto and Art Coulter of Rangers, captains of their clubs, were tied for top position in penalties. Each had 80 minutes charged against him.

### Selections For Tennis Hall of Fame Have International Character

NEW YORK—Our selections for the lawn tennis all-time "Hall of Fame" reflect its international character to a greater extent than our selections in any other sport. Davis Cup history is linked inseparably with the top 10, comprising three players each from the United States and England, two each from France and Australia.

Unquestionably Big Bill Tilden belongs at the head of the honor class. Alone among the world's racket-wielding greats, his supremacy has the backing of experts of the old school as well as of all critics of this generation. He won more major championships, achieved greater Davis Cup fame and retained a large measure of competitive skill over a longer space of time than any other player ever did.

Tilden reached the top during the period generally conceded to involve the fastest pace and toughest competition in lawn tennis history. He was American singles king six years in a row and seven times altogether victor at Wimbledon in 1920-21 and again in 1930. He won 21 of 28 Davis Cup challenge round matches in singles and doubles, a record that is even greater than the figures themselves indicate. He is in his 40's now, a pro veteran, but still no pushover.

Big Bill's partner in the Davis Cup wars, William M. (Little Bill) Johnston, fills the No. 2 spot, notwithstanding the feeling of some old-timers that Hugh Laurence Doherty of England's famous Doherty brothers, is the logical runner-up to Tilden. Johnston we feel, rates it for the simple reason that he alone was able to challenge Tilden seriously, in Big Bill's prime and that in any other era the diminutive Californian would have dominated the field. It was Little Bill's tough luck to spend his greatest years in the shadow of the greatest player of all time.

Yet Johnston's Davis Cup record compared with Tilden's, marked as it was by only one single setback over a seven-year stretch until he was routed by the French in 1927 at Germantown Johnston won the American singles twice, 1915 and 1919, and was runner-up five times, on four occasions to Tilden. He was victorious at Wimbledon in 1923.

#### Doherty Brothers

The temptation to bracket the Doherty brothers, Hugh and Reginald, is strong. Hugh's record is more impressive on the whole, including an unbeaten record in 13 Davis Cup matches during 1902-06, a five year period in which "Little Do" also was supreme in the Wimbledon singles. But they combined to win the Wimbledon doubles eight times and paired together for five Davis Cup victories. Some oldtimers say that Reggie, at his best, consistently beat his younger brother. Reggie was four times Wimbledon singles titleholder.

The great Victorian, Norman Brookes, splits the Dohertys in our ranking list because of the imprint of his southpaw talent as well as his tactics and leadership over an unusual stretch of time. Brookes was a Davis Cup warrior from 1907 to 1920, Wimbledon singles king twice (1907 and 1914), and one of the greatest strategists of all time. He had brilliant support in pre-war days from Tony Wilding, the gallant New Zealander who was Wimbledon champion for four straight years. Wilding lost his life in the great war but Brookes engineered Australia's last challenge round triumph in 1919, before yielding to the onrush of America's two "Bills."

The place of Don Budge, the world's top-ranking player now, has yet to be determined. He is potentially another Tilden but the modern money-making lure is such that he may prove just a second Vines. It's a short jump nowadays from the Davis Cup to the cash register.

### RAZZLE DAZZLE FOOTBALL FOR NEXT SEASON

Southwest Conference Teams to Go on Tour During Season

Razzle dazzle football as staged by the football teams of the Southwest Conference will go on tour next fall. The wide open style will move into the congested areas for once.

Southwest Conference teams will visit Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Milwaukee, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Nineteen inter-sectional games have been booked by Southwest Conference teams, and seven of them will be staged in the cities mentioned.

Texas Christian will play Temple at Philadelphia, Oct. 7, and Marquette at Milwaukee, Oct. 22.

The Texas Aggies will meet Santa Clara in San Francisco, Oct. 8.

Arkansas is scheduled with Santa Clara in San Francisco, Oct. 22.

Baylor plays Loyola in Los Angeles on Armistice Day.

Shorter jaunts will be taken, too. Rice meeting Tulane in New Orleans and Louisiana State at Baton Rouge.

Texas will leave the state once, playing Kansas in Lawrence, Kas., as the season's opener.

Arkansas will go over into Oklahoma to meet Tulsa U at Tulsa, Nov. 24.

## N. B. BADMINTON MEET OPENS APRIL 8-9 WITH PLAYERS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE MARITIMES IN COMPETITION

Meet To Be Staged In Saint John Armoury; The Entries Close April Fourth; Club Secretaries To Be Given Data

### FALCONS DEFEAT LOCAL HI-Y IN FINALS OPENER

Nipped 37-34 Win Over Locals in Semi-Finals Cage Game

FREDERICTON, March 21—Saint John Falcons nipped a last-minute rally of the Fredericton Hi-Y Club to squeeze out a 37-34 victory over the locals in the opening game of the provincial junior basketball semi-finals in the Brunswick Street Baptist Church gymnasium here Saturday night. The return game of the home and home series will be played at Saint John next Saturday night.

Falcons overcame a five-point deficit in the second quarter after a shift of forward lines started the aggression clicking, ran up a one-point lead at half time, and ran away from the Hi-Y's in the third quarter to increase their margin by four baskets. The nine-point lead dwindled to a floor basket and a foul point as Fredericton dropped three rapid tosses in a rally two minutes before the final whistle.

Davis, janky Fredericton centre, led the scoring race with 14 points. Swift for Fredericton and Fitzpatrick and Agar of the Falcons were outstanding

The Province of New Brunswick open badminton tournament, to be held under the auspices of the Armory Badminton Club of this city, will be staged on the armory courts on April 8 and 9. It was announced last night by Garnet H. Raper, acting for the tournament committee.

The tournament, which will be open to all players of any club in the Maritimes, will open on Friday afternoon, April 8, continuing Friday night and Saturday afternoon and evening, April 9.

The events for the tournament will be junior boys' singles, junior girls' singles, senior men's singles, senior ladies' singles, senior men's doubles, senior ladies' doubles, mixed doubles and veterans' doubles.

It was announced that the closing date for entries will be April 4 and all entrants are to send their names with the events they desire entering, to R. A. Wilson, secretary of Armory Badminton Club, 134 Broad St., Saint John, N. B.

This morning all data concerning the tournament will be mailed to secretaries of the various clubs in the Maritimes asking for entries as it is expected this year's tournament will surpass those of other years.

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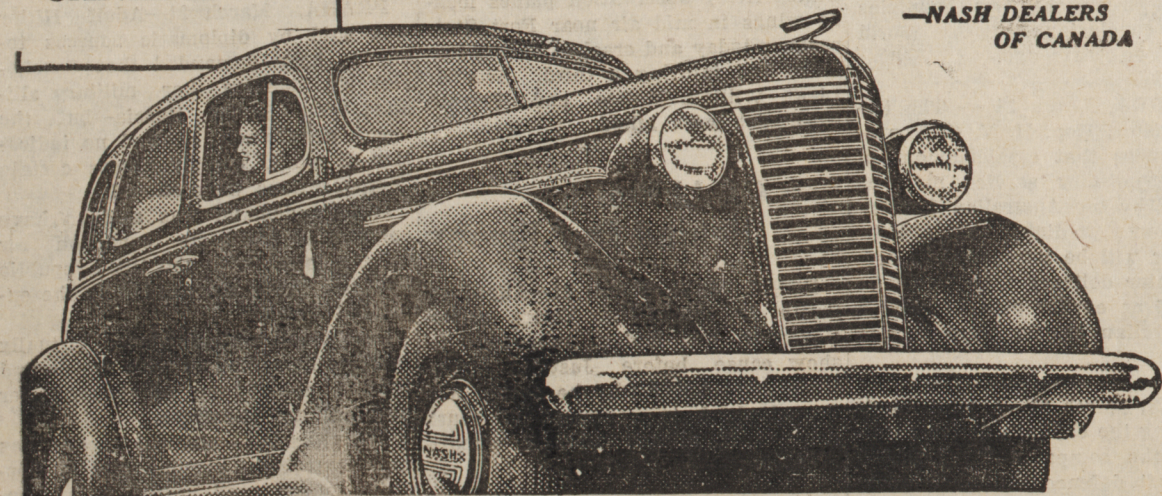


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