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Leaf's Rookie Is Named Winner Of Memorial Trophy

(By The Canadian Press)
 MONTREAL, May 20 — Youth and fire won the Stanley Cup for Toronto Maple Leafs and a lot of the same won the Calder Memorial trophy rookie award for Howie Meeker, hard-working, 22-year-old right-winger of the Leafs.
 The National Hockey League announced today that Meeker, who led all the first-year men with 27 goals and 18 assists, also led by a wide margin balloting by 18 hockey writers and broadcasters—three in each league city—for the outstanding rookie of the year.
 Meeker collected 49 points out of a possible 54, based on three points for first selection, two for second and one for third, an only one selector failed to name him.
 Far behind him were Jimmy Conacher of Detroit Red Wings with 13, Cal Gardner, New York Rangers, nine points, and Leo Gravelle, Montreal Canadiens, eight.
 Ten other newcomers to hockey's big top also were given consideration. They were: Fernie Flaman, Boston, six; Roger Leger, Montreal, five; Bill Gadsby, Chicago, four; Gordon Howe, Detroit, four; Gus Morrison, Toronto, two; Ralph Natrass, Chicago, two; Leo Reise, Detroit, two; Garth Boesch, Toronto, two; Pat Lundy, Detroit, two; and Church Russell, New York, one.
 Every team had at least one rookie in contention for the award. Detroit, which never has produced a rookie-of-the-year, had four contenders named this year, and Toronto, had three. Chicago, New York and Montreal each had two first-year men on the selectors' list and Chicago 1.
 Although the past season uncovered some good timber for the future, Meeker on his season's play and his work in the Stanley Cup playoffs, was the standout among them.
 Among the year's 14 rookies named were five husky defencemen who promise to be heard from in future campaigns—Leger, Morrison, Natrass, Reise and Boesch—but no goalies.
 Meeker, who was the fifth Toronto rookie to win the trophy, awarded in memory of the late Frank Calder, former N.H.L. president, made a courageous comeback after having his legs torn by shrapnel three years ago in England.
 When a live grenade exploded near his feet, the Kitchener, Ont., youngster had doubts whether he ever would skate again. But he recovered, served with distinction on the continent and then returned in the middle of the 1945-46 season to play with Stratford, Ont. seniors. He was signed by Maj. Sonny Smythe, who was rebuilding Maple Leafs, and showed his calibre from the beginning of the season. His 27 goals were the most ever scored by a rookie and also became the first rookie to score five goals in a single game.
 With the trophy, Meeker also collected a \$1,000 bonus, given by

Jr. Baseball Meeting On Thursday Night

Representatives of the three junior baseball teams that will compete in the Junior League here this season are asked to meet at the Travel Bureau tomorrow (Thursday) night at 7:30 in order to draw up plans for the season. Officers of the league will also be appointed during the meeting.

Official Scorer Reverses Ruling

NEW YORK, May 20 —(AP)—The official scorer at Yankee Stadium reversed himself today and awarded New York's Yogi Berra a hit and took away an error charged to Cleveland's Ed Robinson in a ninth-inning play between the American Leaguers last Sunday.
 On the play Berra's grounder took a bad hop and got away from first baseman Robinson who then was charged with an error.
 As a result of the change two earned runs were charged to Bobby Feller for that frame. Feller was relieved by Steve Gromek in the same inning and the latter safeguarded the game for the Indians. Cleveland won 5-3.

Rovers To Hold Practice On Thursday

Rovers baseball team will hold their first practice session of the season at the Victoria Park diamond Thursday evening starting at 6 o'clock. Coach Freddie Whelan announced last night. All members of last year's squad and others interested are asked to attend.

Junior Hardball

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Stakes Winners Not So Happy

LONDON, May 20—Lucky Canadian ticket-holders on the Irish sweepstakes can sympathize with winners of British football pools who have found the jump from "poverty to poloocracy" not too happy. The jingle of money has given them the jitters.
 At least 22 persons whose average income was short of £6 (\$24) a week this season each won £24,000—tax free.
 What has it done to them?
 A couple of weeks after Leslie Vernon of London received £12,000 he was in bed with a nervous breakdown and was there three months.
 "If I hadn't had a good doctor the terrific shock would have killed me," he says.
 Bus Conductor J. Anderson of Wembley became ill shortly after winning £24,362 and "steers" the conversation away from his good fortune. Thomas Given of Edinburgh locked himself in his room and refused to see anyone for days after he won £21,462.
 One of the happiest winners was Madge Kennedy, 21, of Dewsbury, Yorkshire, who won £32,240 and a husband. She was able to marry instead of waiting years because of money difficulties.
 But maybe bachelor Harry Coplowe, 31-year-old marble cutter of Southport, Lancashire, is just as happy, even if surprised. He says no girl has tried to marry him since he won £32,240.

Castilloux To Fight Tonight

TORONTO, May 20 — Arthur King, Toronto's rising 20-year-old negro fighter, will meet veteran Dave Castilloux of Montreal in an eight-round go here Monday, June 2. Plans for the bout were announced today by promoter Frank Tunney and Deacon Allen, who manages Castilloux, former holder of the Canadian lightweight and welterweight titles.

Shortstop Fined

(By The Canadian Press)
 CINCINNATI, May 20—Bill Rippey, New York Giant shortstop, today was notified by Ford Frick, president of the National League, that he had been fined \$50 as a result of his altercation with umpire George Mauerkurth in the 11th inning of the New York-Chicago game in Chicago on May 12.

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In This Corner

Proof that the Province can still produce top notch track and field athletes was forthcoming at the recent Maritime intercollegiate track and field meet when an Island boy raced off with the half mile run in two minutes, six and 4-5 seconds, just three seconds behind the existing mark.
 Dave Boswell of Victoria, and now a student at Mt. A., was the runner in question and in racing to his victory he defeated St. Francis Xavier star Jim McDonald, a runner who was being groomed for the Canadian championships later in the summer. It was McDonald's first defeat in the half mile event and Boswell chalked up his fast time despite a cold day and a prevailing high wind.

During the years when track and field events were a dead issue here other Island boys attending college were coming through with smart performances that were usually overlooked or had no attention paid to them, but now with the new athletic field coming up—and fast—it is likely that these same boys, along with others will take full advantage of its facilities and once again bring Island track and field athletics to the fore.

With a board floor covering the miles of pipe and a ring pitched exactly in the centre of the ice surface the Forum is practically ready for the first of their big season's boxing program on the night of May 31st when promoters Charlie Archer and Gussie McLellan present as their feature Ace McCloskey, Maritime middleweight boxing champion and Tex Medley of Montreal and Antigonish, former Canadian Army overseas middleweight title holder, in a scrap that is expected to turn into a hard-hitting, gory battle.

Both main events are now in strict training for the scrap. Heading for scraps with Jim Rooney, then encouters with Joe Pyle and Roger Whynot. McCloskey is reported to be in the best condition of his career and fans who have watched Medley working out predict that the Ace will have to be in perfect shape if he is to get by the slashing fists of the former Army champion.

Four other bouts will complete the card. Harry Poulton will appear in the semi-final against a Nova Scotia opponent in another scrap that has plenty of possibilities while six Island boys hailing from Clyde River, New Haven and Charlottetown will furnish fireworks in preliminary bouts that are expected to have the fans in a high state of excitement long before the main events meet in the centre of the ring.

The coming boxing program has caught the fancy of the fans to no small degree. Outstanding performers such as Pyle, Whynot, Bailey, Warrington will be faced by equally capable opponents and from here it appears as if boxing is due for a great comeback once the program gets into full stride, with the Sporting Club also adding their exciting encounters to the picture.

Johnny Greco made no mistake against Danny Webb the other night. His second-round knockout will send his critics scurrying to cover. He proved that he can hit and should have no trouble getting Madison Square Garden booking again. Johnny simply overwhelmed Webb, who looked small in comparison to the stockily-built welter champion.

The crowd proved disappointing for the fight had all the earmarks of a good one that would probably go the route. Greco went out for an early knockout and achieved it in masterly fashion.
 The blow that really brought Webb's downfall was a hard left to the brow. Webb in an after-bout statement said that it was this blow in the first round that left him dizzy.

He was floored for a count of eight and then his bell saved him with the count at six. Greco made no mistake in the second round, rushing from his corner and belting the challenger with both hands.
 Johnny was a cool, deliberate workman in the second round. He measured his man carefully and let fire with his deadly right that brought the roof tumbling on Webb. The latter shouldn't lose much caste because of his defeat.
 Greco had all the best of it besides a seven-pound pull in the weights. Webb proved that he can

Cubs Are Scornful Of Robinson's Playing

(By Jerry Lisak)
 CHICAGO, May 20 (AP)—As far as Chicago Cubs are concerned, Brooklyn's Jackie Robinson has not to learn about big league hitting and first-basing.
 In five games against Bruins, the fleet Negro star has dented their pitching for one hit in 19 trips—a feeble .053 percentage.
 "We call pitches against Robinson just as we do any other hitters," said catcher Clyde McCullough, "but he is having a lot of trouble with our breaking stuff. He lunges and slaps at the ball, so we keep him on the hook most of the time."
 Naturally, the Cubs didn't offer any batting suggestions to a player belonging to their hated rivals, "Dem Bums," but they all had a hint for Robinson affixed:
 "Keep your tagging foot off the middle of the bag."
 The Cubs said that Robinson, during Brooklyn's two-game stand here Sunday and yesterday, took infield throws with his foot plopped squarely in the centre of first base.
 "I realize Robinson is new at the position and is learning as he goes," said outfielder Andy Pafko, "but I nearly nicked him once because his foot was on the bag."
 "The runner has the right of way going over first and Robinson can avoid a possible spiking if he keeps his foot on the side of the sack."
 Robinson played second base for Montreal in the International League last season. He was brought up to Brooklyn this year.
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 At Boston, the Soxers scored seven of their runs in less than three innings off Paul (Dizzy) Trout, who was given poor support.
 Dobson was rocky at the start as Tigers scored once in each of the first two innings, but tightened up until the ninth when Detroit got their other tally on Hoot Evers' single and Skeeter Webb's two-bagger.
 Charley Keller of Yanks clouted his eighth homer as Cleveland pushed the New Yorkers farther into the second division. Keller's blow, a blast high off the right field bleacher wall into the bullpen, came in the seventh off starter Don Black Yanks tied the count at 2-2 and Black was relieved by Al Gettel, but was given credit for his win.
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 Pittsburgh Pirates topped Boston Braves from their leading position and let Chicago take over the top run, as hammerin' Hank Greenberg singled home the winning run in the 10th inning of an outright game at Pittsburgh.
 Hank's blow gave Pirates a 4-3 win, although Braves had overcome an early 3-0 deficit to tie the count in the sixth and seventh innings. Ernie Bonham relieved starter Edson Barb in the seventh and gained credit for the win.
 The night game between Brooklyn and the tall-end St. Louis Cardinals was postponed.

Boston Red Sox Defeat Detroit Tigers 8-3

(By The Canadian Press)
 The American League champion Boston Red Sox climbed within one game of the pac-setting Detroit Tigers by defeating the Bengals 8-3 yesterday behind Joe Dobson, who had little trouble from the second to the ninth inning.
 The eight Boston run was Ted Williams' 10th homer of the year, which he waffled into the centre field bleachers about 425 feet from home plate.
 Cleveland Indians clipped the sagging New York Yankees for the third straight time in Yankee Stadium as Ed Robinson's double in the eighth inning provided the victory punch.
 St. Louis Browns coasted to their first victory in five games against Philadelphia Athletics as they humbled the Quakers 11-1 in Philadelphia behind Bob Muerclief's four-hit pitching.
 At Boston, the Soxers scored seven of their runs in less than three innings off Paul (Dizzy) Trout, who was given poor support.
 Dobson was rocky at the start as Tigers scored once in each of the first two innings, but tightened up until the ninth when Detroit got their other tally on Hoot Evers' single and Skeeter Webb's two-bagger.
 Charley Keller of Yanks clouted his eighth homer as Cleveland pushed the New Yorkers farther into the second division. Keller's blow, a blast high off the right field bleacher wall into the bullpen, came in the seventh off starter Don Black Yanks tied the count at 2-2 and Black was relieved by Al Gettel, but was given credit for his win.
 Evers, on the other hand, was tagged and should in future confine his fighting in his proper division where he rules as lightweight champion.

Baseball's Big Six

(By The Associated Press)
 (Three leaders in each league):
 B. AB. H. Pct.
 x-Walker, Phils 26 90 13 36 400
 McQuinn, Yks 23 82 8 30 366
 Mullin, Tigers 25 94 22 34 362
 x-Gustine, Pir 24 97 18 34 351
 Dillinger, Brvs 28 119 17 41 345
 x-Elliott, Brvs 28 101 18 34 337
 Runs batted in: National League: x-Mize, Giants, 10; American League: Williams, Red Sox, 10.
 x-Playing night game.