

Czechs bomb weak Canadians

MOSCOW (CP) — Canada Selects, a grab-bag mix of Olympians and pros, opened the annual Isevia hockey tournament wearing a 10-1 shellacking from the Czechoslovakian national team. It was not unexpected. "I'll be happy if it's a 12-2 loss, said a team official Saturday night as the 13 NHL-owned players and nine members of Canada's Olympic team checked into a Moscow hotel.

"We're in trouble, no doubt," said Derek Holmes, an assistant coach of the Selects and a technical director of Hockey Canada. "I brought the Selects here in return for a Soviet victory in next fall's Canada Cup.

"The commitment was for a professional team. But Father David Bauer, responsible for the Lake Placid Olympic team, brought the best of his experience for some of the Olympic players.

"I'm a firm grinder of a tournament. On Sunday, the Czechs

Brewer back in pro hockey

MONCTON, N.B. (CP) — Carl Brewer has been named to the post in his first professional game in five years but "that's hockey," he says, and it's good to be back.

The 41-year-old defenseman, a member of three Stanley Cup champion Toronto Maple Leaf teams in the early 1960s, is here playing for New Brunswick Hawks of the American Hockey League while brushing up on the club's parents, the Maple Leafs.

Maple Leaf general manager Punch Imlach announced last week Brewer has been granted a tryout by the National Hockey League team and may be in their line-up as early as Dec. 20.

Sixteen seconds into Sunday's game, won 2-1 by Nova Scotia Voyageurs, Brewer had his eye on the low corner and his slapshot hit the goal post dead on.

"That's hockey," he said in an interview after the game.

NFL ROUND-UP

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AMERICAN	NFL CONFERENCE				
	W	T	F	S	P
New England	9	7	0	413	226
N.Y. Jets	7	8	0	327	200
Buffalo	7	9	0	268	279
San Francisco	7	9	0	273	203
Central					
Pitts.	12	4	0	414	242
Houston	11	5	0	362	231
Cleveland	11	5	0	329	202
Cincinnati	4	12	0	337	221
Indianapolis	11	5	0	374	229
Denver	10	5	0	282	245
Oakland	7	7	0	287	262
Seattle	9	7	0	378	273
Kansas City	9	7	0	293	203
NATIONAL CONFERENCE					
Dallas	11	5	0	271	213
Philadelphia	11	5	0	239	202
Washington	10	6	0	348	255
Atlanta	10	6	0	306	205
St. Louis	5	11	0	307	258
Central					
Tempo	10	6	0	273	227
Chicago	10	6	0	266	225
Minn.	11	5	0	232	202
Green Bay	5	11	0	246	213
Detroit	14	2	0	276	203
West					
K.S. Aztec	7	2	0	223	200
New Orleans	8	7	0	270	260
Atlanta	6	10	0	230	205

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Amazing Flyers nearing record

BY THE CANADIAN PRESS
Pittsburgh Penguins are the lone obstacle impeding Philadelphia Flyers' march to a share of the National Hockey League record for consecutive games without a loss.

NHL WALEN CONFERENCE

Team	W	T	F	S	P
Montreal	15	11	6	116	101
Los Ang.	14	11	5	129	103
Pitts.	13	8	2	122	121
Buffalo	9	13	7	95	102
Quebec	8	13	6	97	104
Adams Division					
Toronto	20	3	1	118	78
Boston	17	5	1	111	77
Ottawa	12	5	1	109	79
Washington	14	8	1	106	73
Calif.	12	5	1	109	79
CAMPBELL CONFERENCE					
Philadelphia	20	1	1	131	90
Atlanta	13	12	1	103	105
San Jose	10	13	1	103	103
Washing.	6	10	4	95	125
New York Division					
Vancouver	10	11	0	84	92
Edmonton	9	12	0	82	92
St. Louis	9	12	0	81	92
Calif.	9	12	0	81	92
Edmonton	7	15	0	79	92

Final hurrah for O.J.

ATLANTA (AP) — With the crowd chanting "Justice, Justice," O. J. Simpson's 11-year National Football League career came to an end Sunday when the ball-carrier legend slithered for a 10-yard gain in the final moments of San Francisco's 10-7 loss to Atlanta Falcons.

Simpson, the NFL's second leading rusher in history, carried only twice in the contest for 12 yards, closing out his career with 11,236 yards.

Former Cleveland Browns Jim Brown holds the record of 12,312 yards.

"I was thinking about breaking it before some guy hit me real good," Simpson said of his final carry.

"I almost broke it, but I did get the first down," he said happily with that, "I was when I got to the sideline. It was almost with a sigh of relief, knowing that it's finally over."

Simpson made his first appearance by winning the pregame coin toss. He then came in for one play in the opening quarter, gained only two yards and fumbled. But teammate Randy Cross recovered for the 49ers.

"I was beginning to worry in real life (the fumble) and I really wanted to get in one more time in the opening quarter," he said. "I didn't want to go out remembering that as my last run. I would have never been able to forget it."

The Atlanta Stadium crowd of 37,211 began the chant of "Justice, Justice," midway in the third quarter but it wasn't until 1:31 remained that Simpson made his final run.

Simpson, 32, played nine years for Buffalo Bills before being traded to San Francisco two years ago.

Ham to miss rest of year

PITTSBURGH (AP) — All-pro linebacker Jack Ham of Pittsburgh Steelers will miss the rest of the National Football League season because of a dislocated ankle being treated by San Francisco, the team said Sunday.

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Penticton posts lopsided victory

BY THE CANADIAN PRESS
Penticton Knights gave a hometown Abbotsford Flyers, losing to Richmond Sockeyes downed Merritt Centennials 5-1. Challiwell Colts shutout home town Nor Wes Caps 8-0. New York Islanders tied 2-2 with Quebec and Detroit, playing the final NHL game in the Olympia which has been replaced as the Red Wings' home rink by a new arena, drew 4-4.

Hawks 7 Wings 3
Grant Mulvey and Cliff Koroll each scored twice and Terry Huskowiak, Reg Kerr and Barry Sutter once for the Hawks, who scored the first five goals of the game.

The Flyers won their season-opener Oct. 11 and lost their second game, 2-0 back on Oct. 13 to the Flames in Atlanta. That score was a bit embarrassing and the Flyers got mad — and haven't lost in 27 games since the Oct. 13 game.

Sunday night, the Flyers came out of Madison Square Garden in New York with a 1-1 tie against the Rangers. The Flyers had won 3-2 at home the night before over Buffalo Sabres — with the second-best record in the NHL and entering the game with nine straight victories were considered the one team that Philadelphia's hopes of prolonging the string.

HABS HULL RECORD
The record for most consecutive games without a loss is 28, set during the 1977-78 season by Montreal Canadiens, the current edition of which might very well wish time had stood still two years back.

Their coach quit last Wednesday. The Canadiens lost in Edmonton on Friday and lost again Saturday, 2-1, in Winnipeg to the Jets, with four setbacks in a row, the defending Stanley Cup champions now find themselves doing something unfamiliar — looking over their

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