

Seals Tie Montreal, 3-3

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MONTREAL — Ted Hampson, the hustling Seal captain, spanked home a 10-footer with 2:21 remaining last night to give Oakland and amazing Chris Worthy a well-deserved 3-3 tie with the awesome Montreal Canadiens.

In a town which REALLY knows its hockey, the unanimous press choice for the game's outstanding player was the 20-year-old Worthy, who was sensational.

With lanky Chris standing the Canadiens' attack on its ear for most of the evening, the Seals caught his spark and nearly pulled out a victory.

It was a satisfying opener to a seven-game, 11-day Eastern swing.

But Worthy, toiling in only his third NHL game, wasn't the only star.

Little Norm Ferguson stunned the 16,684 in the historic Forum by scoring the opening goal and then making the play of the night to set up

Hampson for the shot which saved the tie.

Immediately after the game, the Seals hopped a charter jet to Boston where they meet the Bruins tonight. The game can be heard over radio KEEN (1370) at 5 p.m.

Coach Fred Glover, delighted by his club's failure to quit in the fading moments, credited Hampson, Ferguson and Worthy as the key men.

"The big thing was that we missed a lot of chances to score and that can be demoralizing. But we still came back and just kept on coming. They weren't going to take this one away from us," he said.

The Seals met the flying Canadiens on dead even terms in the first period, but the Montrealers, scorched by their Coach Claude Ruel for bad play in their previous game, were jet-powered.

Still, crisp passing and some of the best offense shown to date by the Seals threw the defending Stanley Cup champions off stride.

Solid penalty-killing saved

any power-play damage but the Seals' power play failed even though it held a four-minute advantage on back-to-back penalties to Ted Harris and goalie Rogatien Vachon.

Finally, the Seals broke things open when John Brenneman poked a little pass off the boards near the Canadian blue line to Ferguson, who had crossed over from his right wing.

Fergie, helped by a decoy move by Brian Perry, who

dashed straight for the net, whistled a 30-foot forehand shot over Vachon's shoulder at 18:37.

First Period—1, Oakland, N. Ferguson 3 (Brenneman) 18:37. 2, Montreal, Backstrom 3 (Redmond, Ferguson) 19:03. Penalties—Jarrett Oak; 2:44, Harris MTL; 5:35, Vachon MTL; (served by Redmond) 7:30, Odrowski, Oak; 15:57.
Second Period—3, Oakland, Jarrett 8 (Harris, Hicke) 7:33. 4, Montreal, Duff 1 (Beliveau, Cournoyer) 16:29. Penalties—Laperriere, MTL; 5:58, Swarbrick, Oak., major, 12:23; T. Harris MTL; major, 12:23.
Third Period—5, Montreal, Rousseau 4 (Cournoyer, Beliveau) 12:56. 6, Oakland, Hampson 5 (N. Ferguson, Roberts) 17:39. Penalties—Lacombe Oak; 2:50, J. Ferguson MTL; 5:40, Worthy, Oak; (served by Brenneman), 12:08; Roberts Oak; 12:08, J. Ferguson MTL; double minor, misconduct, 12:08.
Shots on goal by:
Oakland 8 13 10—31
Montreal 11 16 10—37
Goalies—Oakland Worthy, Montreal, Vachon.
A—16,764.