

St. Pats Win From Local Squad By 8-5 Score

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Halifax Crescents Edge Out Moncton Hawks 9-8

HALIFAX, Jan. 2 — (CP) — Halifax Crescents edged out Moncton Hawks 9-8 here tonight to move into 2-1 tie with Truro Bearcats for second place in Maritime senior hockey league standing. The victory left the Halifax and Truro squads only two points behind the league-leading Hawks with Saint John Beavers resting in the cellar.

Carrying horseshoes in the ends of their sticks and assorted rabbits' feet in their back pockets for good measure, Crescents roared away to a thundering start, leaving the Hawks in the inevitable position of trying to catch up. Moncton came within one goal three times and even pulled out their goaltender in the last few seconds, but they couldn't quite make it.

Charlie Copus drew a major and match misconduct in the second period when he bashed Hawk rear-guard Fritz Fraser over the head with his stick. The blow rebounded around the rink, the stick broke and a doctor was summoned to attend Fraser, who didn't return to the game.

Crescents Frank Redmond and Budko Trainor had a go at each other in the final period and the referees and players stood by silently as the two punched themselves about the neck. Both players received majors.

The fight broke out in a corner with play at the other end of the rink. Windy O'Neill of Crescents and Hawk goalie Eugenie MacDonald made a minute later. Rock Sullivan shot two, countering Trainor's single, and the period ended with Crescents ahead 4-1.

Copus flared up after being bumped into the boards by Fraser and he lashed out with his stick after tripping it once around his head for purposes of added velocity. He hooked a toe into Fraser's head. The Hawk defenseman was wearing a helmet.

Jake Wade scored when the game was only 11 seconds old and Fred Stanhope rang up another goal a minute later. Rock Sullivan shot two, countering Trainor's single, and the period ended with Crescents ahead 4-1.

Halifax stretched their margin to 2 before Copus went off for his long rest. Moncton promptly pounded in three goals to haul themselves up within respectable distance. Crescents main-line defence, Powell and Gaudet, combined to push their team in front 7-5 by the end of the period.

The two squads traded tallies in the final period at fairly regular intervals with Moncton drawing by odd one 15 seconds from the end. Hawks threw away their defence and watched Crescents drift



Although defeated 8-5 in last night's encounter with the smart Ottawa St. Patrick's College outfit Jackie Kane's local squad had nothing to condemn themselves for despite the fact they ended up on the short end of the score.

Set back five goals in the first half of the game the locals came on to outscore their highly-favored, pre-game opponents 5-4 in the closing stages and had they shown a little more finesse when in scoring position might easily have made the score much closer.

But outside of the fact that the Ottawa team proved to be the ultimate winners the attendance at last night's game proved conclusively that local fans are solidly behind junior hockey. An unofficial estimate places the attendance last night as around two thousand and once the local youngsters with a few necessary changes in their lineup become accustomed to each other's style of play there seems to be no reason to doubt that Charlottetown will be able to ice a team capable of giving the other Maritime squads a strong battle for title honors.

However St. Mary's squad from Halifax must have plenty of ability when they could outscore the team local fans witnessed here last night in two successive games and that by scores of 11-2 and 8-2.

Coach Marty Barry of St. Mary's himself, one of the former National Hockey League's stars, must have instilled into the St. Mary's squad a lot of the hockey sense that he himself possessed. The youngsters have been faithfully attending practice sessions and it will not be at all surprising if the brand of hockey they display tonight shouldn't be almost as good as the brand of the experienced juniors. A great deal of interest and hard work is being displayed by Col. Bill Reid, physical fitness director and the coach and heads of the different squads to ensure the success of their league and at the same time develop hockey players of the future and the best way to show the youngsters and their sponsors that their efforts are appreciated is by being on hand tonight.

Several Island hockey players are active in the A. P. C. League of Nova Scotia. In a recent game in which the New Glasgow Bombers trounced the Pictou Sunbeams a report states the "New Glasgow's stout, fast-skating defence was a hard pill for Pictou forwards to swallow. Irvine McKee, staunch rearguard with the Bombers for former N. H. L. hockey star Pete Kelly to form a formidable wall in front of Simpson."

In the Pictou lineup are such well-known players locally as Ted Williams, (now out with a hand injury) and Ab MacKinnon. Williams appears to be going his usual fine gait and is one of the main cogs in the Pictou machine. That he drew only an assist in this particular game to which reference is made is credited to the stellar goal-tending of the New Glasgow goalie Jimmy Simpson. "He handled Ted Williams' famed backhand shot with ease," states the report.

Another Islander who recently joined the New Glasgow Bombers is Urban "Boo" Morrison, 22-year-old 160 lb. left winger. Morrison is from Summerside. He played junior hockey in '41, '42, and '43 for the Stratford Krohlers in the

The Rocket Explodes



Maurice (The Rocket) Richard performed the "hat-trick" by scoring three goals as Canadiens defeated the Chicago Black Hawks before 10,216 at the Forum in Montreal on Saturday, Dec. 29th. The above picture caught the Rocket in the act of tallying the first of his three goals. In the usual order are Adam Brown, Ralph Natras, Toe Blake, Johnny Marucci (between Blake and Richard), Richard himself and goalie Paul Bisbeault.

Maple Leafs Hold Off New York Rangers 5-4

NEW YORK, Jan. 2 — (CP) — Toronto Maple Leafs barely held off the New York Rangers tonight to score a close 5-4 National Hockey League victory and go five points out in front of the pack.

The Rangers, worn out by three games in three nights, came from behind to lead briefly in the second period, dropped back to a three-goal disadvantage and then, in a breathtaking finish, almost managed a tie.

A crowd of 15,083 was hanging on the ropes as the Rangers staged their final period drive against the Leafs, who had beaten New York in all four previous meetings this year.

As there were no other games tonight Rangers stayed in fourth place, one point ahead of the Detroit Red Wings. The Leafs now are five points ahead of the second place Montreal Canadiens.

So fierce was the closing Ranger drive that coach Frank Bouclier pulled goalie Chuck Rayner out of the nets with about 35 seconds to go and placed him on the Toronto blue-line. The Leafs never got a chance in on the open goal.

Toronto took a 1-0 lead in the first period on Don Metz's goal at 8:17 with Bud Poile and Gay Stewart assisting.

The Rangers got rolling in the second, scoring twice to take a 2-1 lead on Bill Moe's shot from the blue-line at the eight minute mark and Russell's counter 23 seconds later.

The Ranger drive seemed to be a flash in the pan when Toronto capitalized on New York defensive lapses to ram in three straight goals by Syl Apps, Ted Kennedy and Stewart to go ahead 4-2.

In the third Joe Klukay was given credit for another Toronto goal and the Leafs led 5-2. Less than four minutes later New York exploded with a goal by Edgar Laprade and followed it up with another counter to make the score 5-4 at 12:29. Centre Ab Demarco goal and the Leafs led 5-2. Less than four minutes later New York exploded with a goal by Edgar Laprade and followed it up with another counter to make the score 5-4 at 12:29. Centre Ab Demarco goal and the Leafs led 5-2. Less than four minutes later New York exploded with a goal by Edgar Laprade and followed it up with another counter to make the score 5-4 at 12:29. Centre Ab Demarco goal and the Leafs led 5-2.

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Winners Early Five Goal Margin Is Big Factor In Victory

In a fast wide-open encounter played at the Forum last night the touring Ottawa St. Patrick's College team, junior finalists of Eastern Canada last year, defeated an all-star junior team from Charlottetown by a score of 8-5. Getting away to a 5-0 lead in the first half of the ruggedly-fought encounter, the Ottawans led all the way but the locals made a strong comeback to hold their own as play raged for the remainder of the match.

Witnessed by the biggest crowd of the season, the two teams put on a sparkling display of hockey throughout each period with the winners superior passing attacks and at times superior speed leading to their ultimate victory. Sheehy and Maguire led the Ottawa team's attack with three apiece while Bergeron and Free accounted for the other tallies.

Cart McDonald, making his appearance in the second period, due to late train connections, made his debut in the Charlottetown cause by notching up two goals with the others going to Dowling, Sheehy and Mahar.

The capacity crowd was given plenty to enthuse over all during the first, twenty minutes of play as play raged from one end to the other with lightning-like rapidity. Despite the fact the visitors took a 2-0 lead both goals were of the hard-earned variety. It took the hard-earned St. Pats close to seven minutes before they could dent the twines for the opening count of the game as Sheehy and Bergeron made the Ottawans go visiting defenseman. Let alone go behind Cudmore.

First penalty of the game came at the nine-minute mark as Gregor was chased for tripping Walcott. The latter attempted to trip Sheehy but was caught in the act by the referee. The locals pressed hard with a man advantage but failed to break through. Shortly after, Carmichael of the locals took a trip to "dinner's box" and while he was off Maguire of the visitors sent his team into a 2-0 lead going through all alone to beat Cudmore cleanly.

In the last two minutes of the period Ottawa pressed continually but could not break through for a counter.

It looked like a rout as St. Pats came through with three goals in the middle minutes and 16 of the middle score to run the count to 5-0. Free got the first one of the session as he fooled a lone defenseman and then the lone defenseman and then the lone defenseman to count at 144. Nine seconds later Maguire got his second goal of the game on a nice passing play with LeClair and a minute and 23 seconds later accounts for his third while Cliff Malone, Jacques Locas and Tod Campeau shared the rest of the scoring honors. Alex Smart led the capital snipers with two goals while Frankie Tustin notched the third for the visitors.

The teams lined up as follows:

Ottawa	Goal	Charlottetown
Murphy	Defence	Cudmore
Kavanagh	Defence	Hennessey
Touhey	Defence	Carmichael
Shaw	Defence	MacDonald
	Defence	Dalziel
LeClair	Forwards	Carver
Maguire	Forwards	Dowling
Free	Forwards	Sheehy
Riopelle	Forwards	Blanchard
Sheehan	Forwards	Mahar
Gregory	Forwards	Bradley
Benoit	Forwards	Robertson
Bergeron	Forwards	Douglas
Tyrell	Forwards	

SUMMARY

1st Period.
 1—Ottawa, Sheehan 6:59
 2—Ottawa, Maguire 13:24
 Penalties—Gregory, Carmichael.
 2nd Period.
 3—Ottawa, Free 1:44
 4—Ottawa, Maguire (LeClair) 1:56
 5—Ottawa, Maguire (Tyrell) 3:16
 6—Charlottetown, Dowling (Carver) 10:34
 7—Ottawa, Bergeron (Benoit) 12:08
 8—Charlottetown, Sheehy 13:23
 Penalties—Bradley, Shaw (minor and misconduct), Kavanagh (3), 3rd, Perot.
 9—Charlottetown, McDonald (Bradley) 15:14
 10—Ottawa, Sheehan 3:39
 11—Charlottetown, McDonald 5:41
 12—Ottawa, Sheehan (Gregory) 10:34
 13—Charlottetown, Mahar (McDonald) 17:35
 Penalties—Shaw, Touhey, Free.

Oyster Bed Bridge Hold First Race

The Oyster Bed Bridge Driving Club held its first ice race of the season on New Year's afternoon.

A large number of spectators and horsemen turned out despite the zero weather.

Three classes were called to the wire with Lucky Guy, Mickey Rooney and Betty Worthing returning as the winners in their respective classes.

In the Class "A" Trot and Pace, that game little trotter Lucky Guy came through in fine style to beat the favorite Royal Jim.

In the Class "B" Trot and Pace, Mickey Rooney showed plenty of trotting ability in winning handsily from Rose Marie and Linda Darnell.

In the Class "C" Trot and Pace, Betty Worthing, well driven by her owner, Mr. Dolron, won the race after placing third to Don Worthing and King Gratton 2nd. In the first heat, Minolla fourth.

An added attraction of the afternoon was the arrival of Paul Sharpe and George Newman in their Fleet Canuck plane. Quite a number of men went for a "hop" and all voiced their pleasure of the flight saying the fields looked as if they were garden patches.

Following is the Summary:

Class "A" Trot and Pace
 Lucky Guy (Ford) 2:11
 Royal Jim (G. O. Gallant) 2:13
 Easter Dawn (V. MacRae) 3:23
 Winning owner, Riddle Ford of Wheatley River.

Class "B" Trot and Pace
 Mickey Rooney (Dolron) 1:13
 Rose Marie (J. O. Gallant) 2:21
 Linda Darnell (L. Garment) 3:32
 Winning owner, Irving Nell of Oyster Bed Bridge.

Class "C" Trot and Pace
 Betty Worthing (Dolron) 3:11
 Don Worthing (Houston) 1:52
 King Gratton 2nd (R. Mills) 2:53
 Minolla (O'Neill) 4:44
 Winning owner, Mr. Dolron of Mayfield.

Officials: Starter H. Oudmore.
 Judges: C. Robinson, A. Horne, C. Ford.

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Don Budge outdistanced his opponent at almost every point to whip Ellsworth Vines, who had been ruler of the game for five years, 6-3 6-4, 6-2, seven years ago today before a capacity crowd of 18,725 in Madison Square Garden, New York. It was Budge's professional debut.

Beavers Seek Two Former Services Players

HALIFAX, Jan. 2 — (CP) — Saint John Beavers have applied to a senior naval officer for the use of two players who were with the Knott's Niner Midgets of the Maritime Senior Hockey League last month. It was learned here today.

It was understood the Saint John and Beavers were seeking player whose name could not be learned.

It was also learned that Halifax Crescents, who have been seeking to use Jackson as well as centre Jack Spidell and defenseman Ralph Croucher have arranged for an interview with Rear Admiral C. R. H. Taylor, officer commanding Atlantic coast, tomorrow morning.

At the time Services left the league, it was reported that uniformed members would not be allowed to play for other teams. Later, however, the power to change this ruling was left in the hands of naval officials in this area.

King's County Hockey League Opens Jan. 6

The opening game of the reorganized South King's County Hockey League will be played at Georgetown on Monday, Jan. 6 with the Montague team visiting the King's County Capital. It was announced last night. The third team in this loop this year is Murray Harbor. The departure was again complete for the P. W. Turner Trophy, symbolic of the hockey championship of Southern King's County.

Interest in these hockey centers is at a high pitch and all three teams are sure of a good following as the season progresses. Murray Harbor's home games are to be played in Montague Rink.

Canadian Girl Skater To Compete In Europe

OTTAWA, Jan. 2 — (CP) — A pretty 18-year-old girl will fly out of Ottawa this weekend and automatically and simultaneously, give Canada of a new women's skating champion for 1947 and thence to the continent. It will mean that some other name definitely will come out on top in the Canadian meet at Toronto this month.

She expects to be back home at the end of February in time to go in training for retention of the biennial North American title she won at New York in 1946, a victory which made her the choice of the selectors for the Lou Marsh Memorial Trophy awarded to Canada's outstanding athlete. Her successor in 1946 was Joe Krohler, Toronto Aronaut football wizard. Miss Scott departs for Europe at the height of her biggest athletic and social winter. She already has come out as one of the season's debutantes and her opportunities in the skating world have never been higher.

She will be accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Clyde Scott, widow of a permanent force soldier who became military secretary to the Defence Department, and by Miss Betty Caldwell, a friend.

She was plagued by a chronic ear trouble when she was young and was all of seven before she finally got her first pair of skates. She's been rising steadily and brilliantly ever since, improving under a steady string of coaches until her great enthusiasm and natural ability had carried her to and kept her at the top of this continent.

Now she is invading Europe for the first time.

Glac Bay Miners Increase Lead

GLAC BAY, N.S., Jan. 2 — (CP) — Glac Bay Miners edged out New Waterford Bruins 5-4 here tonight to increase their lead over second-place Sydney Millionaires in the Cape Breton Senior Hockey League.

Montreal Royals Defeat Ottawa 8-3

MONTREAL, Jan. 2 — (CP) — Montreal Royals loosened their first place stranglehold on Ottawa Senators by swamping them 8-3 before 6,000 Quebec Senior Hockey League fans here tonight.

Bobby Pepin led the Montreal scoring parade with three marksmen while Cliff Malone, Jacques Locas and Tod Campeau shared the rest of the scoring honors. Alex Smart led the capital snipers with two goals while Frankie Tustin notched the third for the visitors.

Rangers Seek To Bolster Lineup

NEW YORK, Jan. 2 — (AP) — New York Rangers, who met Toronto Maple Leafs tonight in their third National Hockey League game on successive nights, today recalled two players from their New Haven, Conn. farm club to bolster their lineup.

Goalie Jim Henry was brought up as a star-by-for Chuck Rayner and right winger Joe Levandowski was added to the squad. Rayner was struck on his ankle by a puck at Boston last night and was limping today as a result.

Canadian Speed Skater Turns Down Offer

WINNIPEG, Jan. 2 — (CP) — Frank Strick of Winnipeg, 39-year-old Canadian speed skating champion, has turned down an invitation to compete in the world's skating championships in Norway this month. It was learned here today.

Strick, along with four American skaters, was invited to compete in the world and numerous other speed skating events in Norway.

The veteran speedster, however, had his eyes on Olympic competition, representatives of which may be decided at the Canadian championships at Sudbury, Ont., next month.

Strick represented Canada in the 1938 Olympics at Lake Placid, N.Y.

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