

Miners Defeat Islanders To Even Series

S.D.U. Hoop Team Faces Tough Battle Tonight In Hoop Game With St. F.X.

It's do or die tonight for the Saint Dunstan's University basketball team when they meet the Saint Francis Xavier University hoop team at Antigonish in the final game for the Maritime inter-collegiate basketball championship.

The Saints go onto the court tonight with a three-point deficit as a result of their 46-43 defeat at the hands of the Xaverians here last week. That loss was the first for the crack S.D.U. team this season.

Those three points don't mean too much in a basketball game and the Saints go into tonight's game confident that they can turn the tide on the Antigonish hoopsters.

Joe Murphy, clever Saint Dunstan's ball handler is sick with the flu and will be unable to play. His place will be taken by Copy Callaghan.

The Saints will fly to New Glasgow this afternoon and will motor to Antigonish by car. The game will commence at night and will likely be broadcast over the Antigonish radio station.

Rev. W. J. MacGuigan, faculty advisor and forward Joe Mully left yesterday afternoon by car. Father MacGuigan will attend a meeting of the Maritime Intercollegiate Athletic Union on Thursday.

Two Goals



Winger Marcel Clements of the Islanders scored twice last night in the first period as the Islanders fell 5-3 before the Miners.

North Sydney Wins Junior Hockey Title

SYDNEY, (CP)—North Sydney Franklins won the hotly-contested Maritime junior hockey championship Thursday night, defeating Halifax-Dartmouth St. Mary's 4-1 to take the series 4-3 with one game tied.

The stronger Franklins downed St. Mary's perennial champions, in convincing fashion. Tied 1-1 in the first period, they whipped three goals past goalie Thane Doyle in the second.

North Sydney are expected to take Doyle, the star of the series, and defenseman Jim Warner with them into the Memorial Cup play-downs.

Bert Dalling led the winners with two goals, and the others went to Bill Billick and Cheek McClure tallied St. Mary's lone goal.

First Period	
1-Dartmouth, McClure (Norman)	4:07
2-Franklins, Dalling (Dorrington, Billick)	16:11
Penalties: Dorrington 1:12, Warner 5:36, Doyle 6:30, Dalling 6:45, Kennedy 6:46, Ettinger 14:24	
Second Period	
3-Franklins, Cheek	5:47
4-Franklins, Dalling (Billick)	6:34
5-Franklins, Billick (Dalling)	17:57
Penalties: Gaudet 5:23, minor and misconduct, Billick 8:06, Andrea 11:50	
Third Period	
No scoring.	
Penalties: Lovett 1:44, Cheek 18:35, Warner 18:35	
Stops: Doyle	16 3 14-32
Collins	12 9 5-25

Local Curling Club Schedule

The following is the Charlotte-town Curling Club draw for today: 4 P.M.—Skip Bonspiel

Team 6 vs. Team 7, 7 P.M.

Ice 1: Team 5 vs. Team 8.
Ice 2: Team 1 vs. Team 3.
Ice 3: Team 2 vs. Team 4.
Ice 4: H. Atkinson vs. M. Bell, 9 P.M.

Ice 1: W. MacLean vs. P. O'Rourke.
Ice 2: W. Goss vs. W. Beer.
Ice 3: Dr. MacDonald vs. Dr. Prowse.

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Shared The Spotlight



Right wingers Ronnie Hurst (left) of the Islanders and Connie Bonhomme (right) of the Miners turned in very good efforts for their clubs last night at the Forum. Hurst played his usual hard hitting game and went well both ways. In addition he set up Erwin Grosse for the Islanders third goal. Bonhomme scored the Miners second goal and set the ball rolling for the Miners rally in the second period.

The Glace Bay Miners came off the deck last night to change the complexion of their semi-final series with the Islanders. The Miners appeared subdued in the second period before they caught fire and came back to pull a tough one out of the fire. Down two goals and behind one game in the series, the Glace Bay outfit had their backs to the wall. A lesser team might have faltered but Macey's Mites showed they got the stuff that champions are made of and they will be tough from here on in. The Miners think so too. Said Connie Bonhomme in the Miners' dressing room afterwards, "Now it's just like a best of seven series with us having four games at home."

The Islanders had lead enough to win the contest but showed an inability to play it defensively. After a bruising first period in which they knocked the Miners around, the Islanders became sluggish, forgot to check their men and looked weak on defense. The Whitlock line again failed to show their expected punch and were scored on three times. Wiseman showed more effectiveness while playing defense than he has as a forward and if he were back on the blueline he might give the defense some solidity.

Both teams will travel to Glace Bay by car today for a resumption of the series on Thursday night. These two games at Glace Bay look doubly important now that the teams have split here. Undoubtedly Hub Macey will be playing for the Miners. Macey made it a great personal triumph last night by scoring the winning goal himself and it was quite an effort. The defensive system his team used all year may have kept the crowds out of the rinks but it paid off last night in the third period.

While the Islanders-Miners series is presently in the limelight there was another Maritime series concluded down in Cape Breton last night which held the imagination of hockey fans for the past week. At this writing we don't know the outcome of the final game but if the game was anything similar to the others in the series between the North Sydney Franklins and the Halifax-Dartmouth St. Mary's, it was quite a contest. Not since the days of the Junior Royals has there been such a junior series in the Maritimes.

Some of the outstanding performers in the series have been Island boys. According to all reports the star of the series has been Thane Doyle, the young Charlottetown goaltender in the Halifax net. Then there is Forbes Kennedy, who came back after injuring his knee in the Sussex-Halifax series to play outstanding hockey. Forbes is picking up his share of points for the Saints and is always in the scoring columns.

Junior MacLeod and Stu MacLure are on the Halifax rearguard and playing very dependable hockey. With the Franklins are Eddy Kays and Willie Duffin of Charlottetown. One of the surprises of the series has been the showing of Kays. Eddy tried out with Halifax last fall but failed to make the grade. He joined North Sydney later in the season as a defenseman and has been coming up with some big goals. Last Saturday night he scored the opening goal as the Franklins and Saints played to a 5-5 draw.

Note to A.D. and G.S. of Mount Stewart. G.S. is the winner of the argument. Billy Harris of Memramcook, New Brunswick, is the property of the Brooklyn Dodgers. Harris last year pitched with Miami in a Class A Florida League and compiled an outstanding won-lost and earned run average. This year he is with the Dodgers in Dodger-ville and will likely pitch for Fort Worth, Texas, a Triple A ball club. If Harris keeps improving as he has in the past two years he should be in the Big Leagues some time late in 1954.

Skating Ch'ships To Be At Edmonton

EDMONTON, (CP)—The North American indoor speed skating championships will be held here April 23 to 25, the first time the meet has been held in Western Canada and believed the first time in Canada in more than 20 years. The Alberta Amateur Skating Association said Monday night more than 125 entries are expected, including about 75 from the United States.

Edmonton was the site of the Dominion outdoor championships last January.

Smiths Falls Defeats Beavers 4-1 In Opener

SMITHS FALLS, Ont., (CP)—Smiths Falls Rideaus took the opening game in the Eastern Canada senior hockey semi-finals Tuesday night with a 4-1 victory over Saint John Beavers. The second game of the best-of-seven Allan Cup series will be played here Thursday night.

The Saint John club, which arrived by train only a few hours before game time, showed the effects of its travels in the first period when it didn't get a single shot on the Smiths Falls net. The Rideaus commanded the play through most of the cleanly-played game.

All Webster, Stu Smith, Archie Richardson and Red Gravelle scored for the winners while Charlie Knox tallied the lone Saint John goal.

The Beavers fought an uphill battle all the way and coach Lou Kiley played 60 minutes on the blue line. Goalie Ron Digeur stopped 44 Rideau scoring attempts while the Smiths Falls goalie, Plumber Craig, handled only 17.

The series between the two teams, originally scheduled as a best-of-five game playoff, was extended to a seven-game series by the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association following the suspension of the Quebec Amateur Hockey Association.

Line-ups: Goal, Digeur; defense, Grant, Kiley, Perkins, Rodgers, forwards, Laramie, Choyce, Hovey, Edwards, Hamilton, Shepherd, Nicole, McPhee, Knox. Smiths Falls: Goal, Craig; defense, Trainor, Thomson, Sheddin, Rockburn; forwards, Tudin, Scott, Richardson, Webster, Moore, Gravelle, Smith, Murelich, Blair. Referee: Red Farrell, Barrie, Ont., and Jack Shropshire, West-on, Ont.

First Period
1-Smiths Falls, Webster

(More, Tudin)

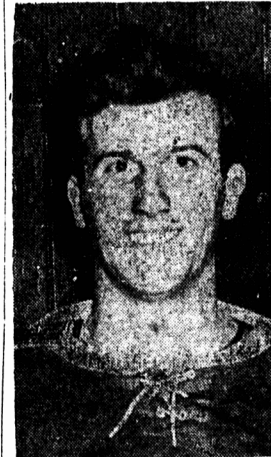
Penalty: Rogers 18:27. Second Period
2-Saint John, Knox (Hovey)

3-Smiths Falls, Smith (Murelich, Trainor)

Penalties: None. Third Period
4-Smiths Falls, Richardson 6:15
5-Smiths Falls, Gravelle (Smith, Murelich)

Penalties: Richardson 4:0, Sheddin 4:12, Scott 14:45. Stops: Digeur

Strong Game



Defenseman Neil Amadio of the Glace Bay Miners, one of the most improved players in the M.M.H.L., was a standout on the Miners rearguard last night.

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Craig

Will Attend N.R.U. Meeting

Elmer Blanchard and Jim Coyle of the Charlottetown Abbies and A. J. MacAdam of Saint Dunstan's University will attend a special meeting of the Maritime Rugby Union in Sackville today.

The M. R. U. are meeting to study and draft a constitution which has been drawn up by Messrs. Blanchard and Coyle.

Tryon Arrows Win Opener

Tryon Arrows defeated New Haven Royals 3-1 in Victoria Rink Monday night in the opening game of the finals for the B.C. Wood hockey trophy. The team to score six points first wins the cup. Two points are awarded for a win.

Last night in an exhibition game Kelly's Cross Red Wings defeated Shamrock Rockets 5-2.

Covehead Wins Kings-Queens Hockey Ch'ship

The Covehead Flyers won the Kings-Queens Intermediate "C" hockey championship last night by defeating the Montague Bison Bombers 16-3 at North River Rink and taking two game total goal series 29-3.

First Period
1-Covehead, Louis MacMillan (L. MacMillan)

2-Covehead, A. Thomas (L. MacMillan)

3-Covehead, Lloyd MacMillan (L. MacMillan)

4-Covehead, H. Hughes (L. Misner)

5-Covehead, F. Hughes (V. Deacon)

6-Covehead, F. Hughes (V. Deacon)

7-Montague, MacLean (L. Misner)

8-Covehead, A. Thomas (L. MacMillan)

9-Covehead, V. Deacon (L. Misner)

Score Three Goals In Second Period To Come From Behind And Win 5-3

The Glace Bay Miners were down but not out in the second period at last night's M.M.H.L. game at the Forum, but like a vengeful fighter who takes advantage of an opponent's carelessness they fought their way back to a 5-3 victory and to their first win in their semi-final series with the Islanders.

Murphy Chamberlain's Islanders had the Miners reeling in the first period and a half but "Hub" Macey's men cleared their heads in the last half of the middle frame and put the Islanders in the refrigerator with three quick goals.

The Islanders were leading 3-1 in what was a rough-tough opening thirty minutes before the Miners led by their playing coach "Hub" Macey fired three goals within the space of five minutes to go ahead 4-3.

Then the Miners proceeded to throw up a defense that kept the Islanders helpless. The Glace Bay defensive show in the third period was the tightest to be witnessed here for many a season. The Islanders were able to fire eight shots on goalie Don Lockhart but there wasn't a chance of any of them going in.

In the meantime the Miners took advantage of an Islanders defensive lapse to score another goal and make sure of the victory.

Rough First Period
The Islanders were away and running in the roughest first period to be played here this winter as winger Marcel Clements scored two goals to put the home team ahead 2-1. The lone Glace Bay goal was scored by Pop Backer.

Irwin Grosse, who was one of the Islanders most effective players, drove a 25-foot bullet like drive past Don Lockhart early in the second period to make it 3-1.

Then the Islanders proceeded to reel. Connie Bonhomme, who has been a big gun for the Miners, poked home a rebound to make the count 3-2. Less than five minutes later Gordon Millar blasted a 35 foot drive past Al Millar to knot the count and set the stage for the game winning tally.

And it was a deluxe delivery effort by coach Macey. The veteran coach picked up a loose puck outside the Islanders blueline after George McLagan fell to the ice. He raced over the line faked defenseman Steve Brklacich out of position and slid the puck into the lower corner of the Islanders cage.

From then it was strictly a story of the Glace Bay defensive play. The Miners defense quartet of Neil Amadio, Lloyd Hinchberger, Bob Cooper and Bill Burega played sound hockey back on the line and they were given excellent support by back checking forwards.

Walter Pawlshyn had the best opportunity to score in the final period. Larry Travis put him in the clear with a quick pass but Pawlshyn could not control the puck.

On the next play down the ice Gordon Miller scored the insurance tally for the Miners. He took advantage of loose clearing by the Islanders' defense to fire another 35-foot shot past goalie Miller. Al got his pad on the puck but the disc rolled off and toppled across the line.

Gus Gustavson, Steve Brklacich and Ronnie Hurst dished out crushing body checks in the opening period as the Islanders went out to soften up the Miners. Bill Burega back on the Miners' defense also took his toll on incoming Islanders forwards.

Marcel Clements' first goal was the result of an around the defense rush by Brklacich. The Islanders' defenceman centred the puck onto Lockhart's pads at the side of the net and Clements poked the rubber over the line.

Clements picked up his second goal of the game by converting a pass from Erwin Grosse.

In the meantime Backer had scored for the Miners by backhanding a 20 footer past Al Millar after taking a pass-out from linemate Johnny Raynak.

Ronnie Hurst, who played another standout game for the Islanders, set up Grosse for the Islanders third goal. Hurst raced down the line and dropped a pass for the oncoming Grosse who sank the puck into the twines before Lockhart had a chance to move.

Bob Cooper fired a shot that Hub Macey deflected onto the Is-

Winning Goal



Playing coach "Hub" Macey of the Glace Bay Miners (above) scored the winning goal last night as his team defeated the Islanders 5-3. Macey's goal was a brilliant one-man effort.

landers' net to set up the Miners' second goal. Millar made the stop but Bonhomme, who was parked on the goal mouth, lifted the puck home.

The Islanders were a man short when Kenny Watson set up Gordie Miller for the tying goal. Larry Travis was sitting out a minor penalty. The Islanders were back at full strength 40 seconds later when Macey scored the winning goal.

Looked Like Islanders' Win
It looked for a time in the early minutes of the second period that the Islanders would walk away with the game. They controlled play as they hemmed the Miners in their own end and hammered away at the Glace Bay cage.

The Beaudry, Hurst and Gordon line had several good scoring chances but could not connect. Despite their advantage they were able to get few shots directly on the net. Most of their drives whizzed past the corners but they kept the crowd in a state of excitement.

Murphy Chamberlain shuffled his lines in the third period in a vain attempt to get a scoring combination. He used Wiseman and Grosse on a line with "Buck" Whitlock but it was all to no avail.

The Islanders' chances of scoring were increased about the halfway mark in the third period when Hinchberger was accidentally struck on the face by "Buck" Whitlock's stick. The big fellow fell to the ice and retired for the remainder of the game. He had three stitches placed in a gash close to his eye. The accident occurred on the Glace Bay blueline when Whitlock took a backhanded swipe at a loose puck.

Beaudry, Hurst, Grosse, Gordon and Clements were the pick of the Islanders' forwards while George McLagan was again their best defenceman.

Macey, Bonhomme, Miller and Joss were the pick of the Glace Bay forwards while their whole defensive unit was strong.

Line-ups:
Glace Bay: Goal, Lockhart; defense, Cooper, Backer, Hinchberger, Amadio; forwards, Backer, Watson, Joss, Macey, Miller, McKenna, Bonhomme, McLagan, Brklacich, Travis; forwards, Whitlock, Hurst, Gray, Gordon, Wiseman, Beaudry, Grosse, Pawlshyn, Clements.

Referees: Kelly and O'Donahue. SUMMARY
First Period
1-Charlottetown, Clements (Brklacich, Wiseman)

2-Glace Bay, Backer (Raynak, Joss)

3-Charlottetown, Clements (Grosse, Gustavson)

Penalties: McLagan 10, 13:31, Hinchberger 4:27, 12:01, Whitlock 4:27, Clements 9:29, Wurgela 12:01, Hurst 15:41, Burega 17:48.

Second Period
4-Charlottetown, Grosse (Hurst)

5-Glace Bay, Bonhomme (Cooper, Macey)

6-Glace Bay, Miller (Watson)

7-Glace Bay, Macey (Raynak, Joss)

Penalties: Joss 5:0, Brklacich 7:35, Travis 12:32.

Third Period
8-Glace Bay, Miller 15:28.

Penalty: Hinchberger 7:55.

Stops: Lockhart

Miller

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