

Beavers Hold Islanders To 3-All Tie

St. Mary's Edge Hawks 5-4 Despite Strong Rally By Moncton Team

HALIFAX, Feb. 5 — (CP) — Moncton Hawks made a three-goal third-period bid tonight but they fell one goal short as Halifax St. Mary's skated off with a 5-4 win in a Maritime Major Hockey League game. It was Halifax's sixth straight win.

Hawks, twice trailing by three goals, took advantage of a pair of penalties to Johnny Myketyk, plus loose defence work, to rap in three tallies in the third frame — but the rally came too late.

In a scrambly, dull game, Saints played it carelessly in the final chapter and it almost cost them their streak. The win boosted the Saints to within 15 points of league-leading Charlottetown Islanders, who scraped through with a tie against Saint John Beavers tonight.

It was a mild game, with players of both clubs playing it in a gentlemanly manner. Referee Bradshaw and Copus handed out six penalties, each team drawing three.

Hawks outshot Saints 31-29 but the Moncton club threw away most of the best chances with erratic shooting.

Moncton — Goal, Colvin; defence, Smith, Dunville; centre, Besette; wings, Miller, Inouiti; subs, Delmonte, Gallepeau, McKenzie, Milani, Denny, Demchuk, Barkwell, Dowling, Air.

Halifax — Goal, D'Amour; defence, Power, Myketyk; centre, Watson; wings, Campbell, Hollett; subs, Grabowski, Brown, McLaughlin, Thomas, McGregor, Anderson, Ford, Black, Digger, Sullivan.

Officials—Bradshaw, Copus.

First Period

1—Halifax, Campbell (Powers) 2:09

2—Halifax, Brown, (Watson, Hollett) 8:03

3—Halifax, Sullivan (Thomas, Brown) 19:48

Penalties—Denny.

Second Period

4—Moncton, Air (Barkwell) 8:25

5—Halifax, Thomas (Sullivan) 15:41

Penalties—Anderson, Demchuk, Milani.

Third Period

6—Moncton, Air (Barkwell) 14:2

7—Halifax, Ford (McGregor, Thomas) 6:46

8—Moncton, Besette (Miller, Delmonte) 16:30

9—Moncton, Dowling (McKenzie) 19:16

Penalty—Myketyk (2).

Fine Gift To High School Curling Fund

The High School Curling Committee which hopes to raise sufficient funds to send a rink to Nelson, B. C. to represent this Province in the Dominion play-downs yesterday received a most welcome gift and gesture of encouragement.

David "Bud" MacLeod has offered the committee two colts for sale with one-half the purchase price going to swell the fund to send the High School curling rink to the championships.

One is a two-year old gelding, sire Paoliacel, 209 1-2, dam Melburn Magie. The other is a one-year old filly, sire Kalmuck 2:15 1-2, dam Melburn Magie.

The cost of sending a rink to Nelson is reckoned at about two thousand dollars. The committee already has promised some \$500 and it thought additional funds will be forthcoming.

Prince Edward Island entered the High School competitions last year and the rink skipped by Doug Cameron made a most creditable showing, and brought much favorable publicity to the Island.

Last year, however, with the play-downs at Quebec the expenses were not so great. Local officials all along felt that the Dominion play should be held at a more central point and have advocated this for future meets.

However, Nelson was selected last year, and thus far all provinces with exception of Prince Edward

Sports Forum

THE WILTSHIRE RINK

Sir, — In the fall of '49 the citizens of North Wiltshire decided they would like a rink, having been without one for 12 years. To make a long story short, everyone co-operated and the rink was opened in late January. No league was formed, but exhibition games, and skating sessions were held, drawing large crowds.

Two farmers who had the equipment and the experience necessary for looking after a rink, operated the said rink to the satisfaction of everyone, except a few who imagined they saw a fortune in the job, without work.

This fall a meeting was held, and an executive appointed. After three cold snaps had passed, they found they would have to dig a well, as their improved water system failed to work. The rink was opened the last week in January, with a league game between the Y.M.C.A. of Charlottetown and the Hampshire Bulldogs.

The League, a three team loop was drawn up at a meeting early in January. At this time, teams were guaranteed ice, as soon as any other outdoor rink. After this the Hampshire Bulldogs decided to pull out of their old league, and enter this league, for no other reason than to help the local rink. Also, at that meeting, Hampshire and Charlottetown were promised \$3.00 each, nightly, to be used to help defray their expenses, Hampshire used theirs for transportation of their team, and about 25 cash customers each night, who could not have come, if the team travelled in cars.

At the opening game which was played before a good crowd, the President of the rink himself asked the captains to accept \$2.00 each. They refused, and after considerable argument got the promised \$3.00. The next game, played on Saturday night before an overflow crowd, was between the Hampshire Bulldogs and the hometown Wiltshire Miracles. At the close the rink manager shoved a \$2.00 bill at the Hampshire team, with the ultimatum "take it or leave it."

The same night two Hampshire men, and two Wiltshire men installed an elaborate \$900.00 public address system on a free trial basis, the music from which attracted citizens from all over Wiltshire, and added much enjoyment to the hour's skate after the game.

The rink management was asked \$2.50 per night for rent of machine, and although they knew it would draw at least \$10.00 worth of fans per night, they didn't think they wanted it.

Now I understand the rink was originally meant for a recreational centre, and not as a money-making project for any individuals, so why not boost it as such?

Finally, are the people of North Wiltshire going to allow the Hampshire boys to be forced out of the league which they now lead, and the P.A. system taken out of the rink because of the lack of foresight on behalf of the inexperienced rink management? I am, Sir, etc.

DISGUSTED

A-P-C League

TRURO, N. S., Feb. 5 — (CP) — Stellarton Royals defeated Truro Bearcats 5-3 here tonight in a closely contested Antigonish-Hockey-Colchester Senior Hockey League game.

Meanwhile, Antigonish Bulldogs edged New Glasgow Bombers 6-5 in a regular A. P. C. League game in New Glasgow.

Island and Newfoundland have signified their intention of becoming represented.

The committee in charge hopes that within the next few days the Island's doubtful status of having a representation will be clarified and a rink will be sent. The rink must leave here no later than February 13th.

And yet, what has been the result of all this good hockey, being the best team in the league, hard effort and public service — 1,200 fans at one game, 800 at another, and if lucky, a big crowd of maybe 1,500. Not enough to pay their travelling expenses and salaries for one week. If that is appreciation, then this isn't the year 1951 but more like 1951. Think it over fans, do you want Big Four hockey or don't you?

Just in case you are wondering, it has been learned from reliable authority that the Islanders are in the vicinity of some \$3,500 in the red, and at the moment are faced with about three alternatives. One—play some of their home games at New Glasgow or Amherst, if such arrangements can be made. Two—put on a full-scale drive to get the public to turn out and support the team, or

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With games played at Halifax and Saint John last night, the Maritime Major Hockey League was launched into its 16th week of scheduled competition and is narrowed down to approximately 15 games per team to be played before playoff time is reached. When one looks back over that schedule you can't help feeling that some really smart hockey has been witnessed during that time, and fans all over the Maritimes have been getting more than their share of smart hockey enjoyment, with the exception of a few poor clashes.

But what is worrying the Islanders Hockey Club executive, the big team in the loop, is: How long is it going to continue for Island fans? It is worrying a few ardent fans too, but not nearly enough of them. Despite the small efforts of the press and other interested officials and citizens, the larger percentage of fans are still not turning out to support their club in a way that will guarantee such calibre of hockey to be continued. In fact it makes one wonder if local fans really want to see it continued, because the support of the cash customers is continuing to dwindle despite all efforts to bring home the fact to them that their support is urgently needed.

Only a week or so ago it was outlined in this column in dollars and cents what the lack of local public support can do, and is doing, in the way of bringing about the ultimate downfall of the Islanders Club financially after such a successful season so far. It is apparent, however, that it was all to no avail, in fact just a waste of time and paper—because the fans, except the ever faithfuls, are still not turning out. Only last Friday local enthusiasts had the pleasure of seeing one of the smartest games of hockey that anyone could hope to see when the Halifax Saint Mary's Club garnered a close 4-3 verdict over the Islanders. Yet, there was only slightly over 1,200 fans who witnessed that contest.

It is poor appreciation of a great hockey club to say the least, coming here from all parts of the country to band themselves into a top notch club, one would have to go a long way to find a finer bunch of boys than those who comprise the Islanders. They are not only smart hockey players, but have a team spirit and zest for the game that is not equalled anywhere. They have given the fans everything they have in the interests of good hockey. Look at their record up to last Saturday night. In 62 games played, they have won 41, tied three and lost only 18—a record that any team can be proud of.

In fact they have given so much of their efforts to please the fans, that they have wearied themselves doing it. In addition to their four scheduled games every week, they have played five exhibition games with Sydney Millionaires and one with Glouce Bay, to give the fans something extra in the way of entertainment, and at the same time make a little extra money (which was not forthcoming from regular league contests) to keep the club rolling. Even in their off days when they should have been resting, they volunteered their services in different parts of the Province to put on special "Garnet and Gold" games to raise funds for the March of Dimes. Could any team do more?

As a third and last resort—withdraw from the league all together. That is it, so fans take your choice, it is either you and there is no alternative now because that is the situation and the facts must be faced.

Y.M.C.A. Bowling

City Hospital Nurses Bowling League

Highlanders 1188—Points 4
Atoms—970—Points 1

High single M. MacDonald 154
High double T. MacKinnon 253

Silverdars—1216—Points 5
Silverwings—1116—Points 0

High single E. Walsh 175
High double E. Walsh 314
Schedule for Friday Feb. 8, 1951:
Highlanders vs. Silverwings at 7 p.m., following Gliders vs. Atoms.

Ladies' Wednesday Afternoon Bowling

Team I — 3 1-2 Points.
Team IV — 1 1-2 Points.

High Single — Mrs. Taylor 214.
High Three — Mrs. F. Clarke 485.

Team II — No Points.
Team III — 5 Points.

High Single — Mrs. H. Smith
209. High Three — Mrs. H. Smith 493.

Saint Mary's Clash With Islanders Tonight In Game At The Forum

For the second time in four days the two top teams in the Maritime Senior Hockey League will clash over Forum ice when the Charlottetown Islanders and Halifax Saint Mary's lock horns in an all-out effort here tonight commencing at 8:00.

In their last meeting here on Friday night, the two clubs produced one of the best hockey contests to be witnessed here this season with Halifax finishing on top by a slim 4-3 margin. A rousing contest that came up with everything in the way of good hockey that delighted and excited fans here to the limit.

Tonight is expected to be a repetition of that contest when the clubs skate out on the ice to cross sticks with one another and

Cameron Rink Wins School Curling Title

A Charlottetown rink skipped by Doug Cameron yesterday won the Provincial High School Curling Championship by defeating their clubmates, the MacDonald rink, 9-3 in a playoff encounter. Previous to the rink were tied with a win and loss apiece. In addition to Skip Cameron, the rink includes, Frank Acorn, Jr., lead, Maurice Jenkins, 2nd stone and Karl Reardon, mate.

The winning rink will represent the Province at the Dominion play-downs at Nelson, B. C., providing sufficient backing is forthcoming.

As was the case on two previous occasions when the local rinks clashed, the match yesterday was closely fought with the youthful MacDonald quartet battling all the way to give their more experienced opponents many an uneasy moment.

The Cameron rink went into an early 3-0 lead, but the MacDonald rink evened the count on the fourth end only to see their opponents come back to score a three-ender in the fifth, and two more in the sixth. MacDonald counted two in the seventh but lost one in the eighth. His rink captured the final two ends, but were short in overcoming their earlier handicap.

The line score follows:
D. Cameron 111 032 010 0-9
B. MacDonald 000 300 202 1-8

Islanders Will Not Be Fined For Missing Game

HALIFAX, Feb. 5 — (CP) — Charlottetown Islanders won't be fined for failure to appear for a scheduled game against Halifax St. Mary's here because the two clubs agreed to postpone the game.

Judge J. Elliott Hudson, president of the Maritime Senior Hockey League, said in a statement tonight that otherwise the Islanders would have been fined \$200 for failing to appear "without good cause."

Islanders, who fly to Halifax games, were unable to make the trip because of poor weather.

Judge Hudson said he had warned all clubs that they must leave for all games by train or previous to train departure if they travel by some other means. Otherwise they would have to suffer the consequences if they failed to appear.

The postponed game will be played here Thursday.

As a third and last resort—withdraw from the league all together. That is it, so fans take your choice, it is either you and there is no alternative now because that is the situation and the facts must be faced.

Dutchak Has Narrow Lead In Contest

Johnny Dutchak, husky Islanders rearguard, is at present leading the current "Popular Player" contest being conducted by Jack Cameron's Men's Wear establishment on Kent Street.

The first official ballot count since the contest was started a little more than a week ago, was made at Mr. Cameron's store yesterday when independent judges counted and tabulated the ballots turned in.

Their findings were that Dutchak was leading the parade by two votes over fellow defenceman Phil Vitale, with 37 and 36 respectively, while forwards Danny Horeck and Wes "Bucko" Trainor were close on their heels for third and fourth positions in the public's choice with 33 and 32 votes.

The ballot appears on the program at each home game and fans just fill in the name of their favourite player and drop it in the ballot box at Jack Cameron's or mail it direct to that establishment. Mr. Cameron is donating a tailored Progress Brand suit and accessories to the winner, the player having the most votes at the end of the regular schedule.

Many others of the Islanders team have received popular votes and are strung out behind the leaders in close order.

Sport Echoes From Prince County

We said the R.C.A.F. Meteors were all first cousins of the opposing goal tender—and we're sorry! For those airforce puck pursuers threw the accusation right back into our red face. Stinson's stick manipulators who couldn't do anything right against Borden last Tuesday, couldn't do anything wrong against the Crystal nets on Saturday. They beat the Summerside boys 6 to 1 in spite of the fact that Jordan in the Crystal nets put up a fine game. But the Meteors weren't even distant relatives of his, we'll admit that.

This Mulvihill is beginning to show his real worth. A superb skater, we were dubious about his other qualifications for hockey until Saturday night. We still don't think he has the finesse of Jack Schurman or Oscar Campbell in front of a net, but he has enough of whatever else it takes to make him an A-1 performer in the class of hockey played in the E. P. League. Unlike most red heads Mulvihill never appears to get ruffled. He is big and can look after himself, but hard checks, slashes and the like never seem to get his Angora. We're stationed over in the penalty box and to date Red has never paid us a visit.

On the other hand, the Crystalists appeared to have an off night on Saturday. Their one point scoring threat, the Trainor-Kelly-MacKay line, looked more like a three-ring circus for the first two periods. We don't know if some fan had offered them a hundred bucks to score an unassisted goal or not, but it looked like that way. MacKay was in the clear in front of the net twice but each of his mates decided to try his luck at trying to shoot the disk between the goalie's pads and the goal post.

When MacKay did get back in the act, he got two perfect passes but missed the net both times when he was in.

Now that we've panned those fellows we'll bet they'll come back next game and play like the Howe-Abel-Lindsay line. It always happens that way.

Local Curling Club Playdowns Get Underway

The first matches in British Consols Club playdowns got underway at the Charlottetown Curling Club last night when a total of twelve rinks took part in the opening competitions.

Play was keen and close throughout the six scheduled matches that produced a wealth of good curling and saw three of those matches won and lost by margins of only one and two points.

The following are the results:
F. Hansen 13; J. S. MacDonald 7
Frank Acorn 11; R. S. P. Jardine 5
W. Worth 10; W. R. Jeninks 11
Col. E. Full 13; Ed Tanton 11
Dr. L. E. Prosser 12; E. MacInnis 7
Dr. E. S. Giddings 13; F. R. McLaine 12.

Hockey Scores

Maritime Major
Moncton 4, Halifax 5
Charlottetown 3, Saint John 3 (tie)

Cape Breton Major
Sydney 3, North Sydney 7

THE STANDING

Big Four
GP W L T GF GA Pts
Ch'town 63 41 18 4 282 166 86
Halifax 62 34 26 3 267 231 71
St. John 63 28 32 3 228 247 59
Moncton 64 16 44 4 193 316 36

Cape Breton
GP W L T GF GA Pts
Sydney 61 36 14 11 237 154 83
Glouce Bay 60 23 27 10 191 205 56
Nr Sydney 61 14 32 15 179 248 43

National League
W L T F A Pts
Detroit 29 11 10 162 106 68
Toronto 27 11 11 153 102 65
Montreal 32 22 11 122 132 47
Boston 16 22 12 121 144 44
New York 13 20 16 109 141 42
Chicago 12 29 10 129 169 34

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HOCKEY — 8:30 — HALIFAX vs. ISLANDERS

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HOCKEY — 8:30 — ST. JOHN vs. ISLANDERS

SATURDAY — SKATING — 8 TO 8.
MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 5 — (AP) — The former heavyweight boxing champion, Joe Louis, and Cuban heavyweight Omello Agramente wound up training today for their 10-round fight here Wednesday night.

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LONDON, Feb. 5 — (Reuters) — Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, ill with pneumonia, got up for an hour yesterday and sat in a chair. Bevin is making a good recovery.

HALIFAX — VS — ISLANDERS

TUESDAY — 8:30
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Saint John Goalie Makes Fine Showing In Torrid Third Period

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Feb. 5 — (CP)—A 3-3 overtime tie between Saint John Beavers and Charlottetown Islanders tonight left the Island loop leaders 15 points ahead of Halifax St. Mary's in the Maritime Major Hockey League. It also left third place Beavers 12 points below Halifax.

Both Charlottetown and Saint John, after firing a goal apiece in each period, were unable to score during the 10 minutes of overtime. Walter Pawlyshyn, Marcel Clements and Mac Beaton tallied scores were Nick Nicolle, Buck Whitlock and Jack Heon.

Whitlock, leading the league scoring race for a second straight season, also picked up an assist.

Beavers, their ranks still thinned by injuries, dressed only 12 men against 15 Islanders.

Favero set up the first goal. The Charlottetown winger grabbed the puck in his own territory and passed to Pawlyshyn at centre ice. The latter made a clear breakaway to beat Dennis Brodeur, who stopped eight in the first period. The opposite netminder, Hal Gordon, had nine saves in this session.

Nicolle put Beavers on even scoring terms before the period ended. Ted Watson had taken the puck in a Charlottetown corner. He passed to Whitlock, at the right of the net. Gordon was prepared for a shot from Buck but Whitlock relayed to Nicolle, whose backhand to the lower right corner of the cage caught Gordon out of position.

The second period was more than eight minutes old when Clements regained the lead for Charlottetown. It was a nice goal, assisted by Mac Beaton on a pass through the Saint John defence.

Whitlock equalized at the 14:31 mark with a hard backhand. He was surrounded by Charlottetown players and Gordon didn't see the shot. Nicolle and Watson were in on the play.

Johnny Horeck pushed referee Ed Larable, then punched him and cross-checked him with his stick. The penalty was a 10-minute misconduct. Horeck had become irate when a goal he tipped in with his hand was disallowed.

Islanders outplayed the weary Saint John team in the middle frame, Brodeur stopping nine and Gordon three.

A backhander officially credited to Beaton after three Islanders skated in close to Brodeur gave Charlottetown the lead for the last time. Then, with less than two minutes to go, Beavers slipped out their goalie and Brodeur took home Brennan's rebound. The Saint John goalie handled three shots safely in the third but Gordon had to stop 13.

The invaders roared up and down the ice like a panzer division during overtime but couldn't beat Brodeur again. He made six saves in the final 10 minutes. Gordon stopped two.

Of the eight penalties in the game, seven went to Islanders, including four to George McLagan.

Charlottetown—Goal, Gordon; defence, McLagan, Dutchak; centre, Trainor; wings, Favero, Pawlyshyn; subs, Travis, Ready, Morow, Bathgate, Beaudry, J. Horeck, D. Horeck, Clements, Beaton.

Saint John—Goal, Brodeur; defence, Blackburn, Hiron; centre, Brennan; wings, Thaler, Jodoin; subs, Bolan, Mudie, Carlegue, Whitlock, Swain, Nicolle.

Officials—Walton and Larable.

First Period

1—Charlottetown, Pawlyshyn (Favero) 11:24

2—Saint John, Nicolle (Whitlock, Watson) 16:47

Penalties—McLagan, Dutchak.

Second Period

3—Charlottetown, Clements (Beaton) 8:24

4—Saint John, Whitlock (Nicolle, Watson) 14:31

Penalties—McLagan (2), J. Horeck (misconduct).

Third Period

5—Charlottetown, Beaton (Clements, Bathgate) 4:47

6—Saint John, Heon (Blackburn, Brennan) 18:18

Penalty—McLagan.