Millionaires Score 5-2 Victory Over Islanders; Game Late Starting

SYDNEY, (CP)—Sydney Millionaires outplayed Charlottetown Islanders 5-2 Wednesday in a regular game of the Maritime Major Hockey League which didn't end until after midnight.

The game started at 10:30 a.m. because of late arrival of the Millionaires team, travelling by bus from Charlottetown. The win boosted Sydney to within seven points of idle Halifax Atlantics, leaders in the four-team league.

Millionaires were ahead 1-0 at the end of the first period and each team scored two in the second.

Gordie Cowan, O'Connor, Charlie Marshall, Ray Lacroix and Stan McDougall all notched singles for the winners. Vince Palladino and Claude Robert, two comparative newcomers, were the Charlottetown marksmen.

Islanders had a tie at two points in the game. They scored the first goal of the second period to make it 1-1 and scored again following a Sydney goal to make it 2-2. But Millionaires went ahead before the period ended and added two insurance goals in the third.

Lineup:

Charlottetown: Goal, Bessette; defence: Blackburn, McLaughlin, Gustaveson; forwards: Robert, Carver, Saindon, Ritchie, Charlebois, Palladino, Gignac, Dowling.

Sydney: Goal: Defelice; defence, McDonald, McCallum, O'Connor; forwards: Robertson, Pirie, Marshall, Guay, Lacroix, McIntyre, Cowan, McDougall, Kubinec.

Referee: Mel Power. Linesmen: McIntyre, Peters.

SUMMARY

First Period

1—Sydney, Cowan 17:41
Penalty: Blackburn 13:10.

Second Period

2—Charlottetown, Palladino 2:41
3—Sydney, O'Connor (Cowan, McDougall) 5:27
4—Charlottetown, Robert (Gignac) 9:42
5—Sydney, Marshall (Robertson) 15:51
Penalties: McDonald 6:12, McCallum 10:12, Blakburn 16:22.

Third Period

6—Sydney, Lacroix (McCallum) 4:03
7—Sydney, McDougall (Kubinec, Cowan) 18:14
Penalties: None.

Stops:

Bessette	9	5	11	—25
Defelice	5	8	6	—19

Signs Contract

CLEVELAND, (AP) — Infielder Rocky Nelson, a strong contender for the first base job with Cleveland Indians, signed his 1954 baseball contract Wednesday at a meeting with general manager Hank Greenberg in Havana, Cuba.

Nelson, purchased from Brooklyn last fall, now is batting .323 for Almandares in the Cuban Winter League. Last season he was with Montreal Royals of the International League, which named him its most valuable player. He hit 34 homers and batted in 136 runs with a .308 average.

Curling Draw

Tonight's curling draw:

7 p.m.

Ice 2—Hon. A. W. Matheson, skip; Robt. Parent, Henry Douglas, Gerald Foster, vs. G. G. Hughes, skip; Ron Parker, A. A. MacLeod, G. Milligan.

Ice 3—W. R. Jenkins, skip; G. R. Henry, Alf MacNeill, Allison MacDonald, vs. J. J. Morris, skip; Hon. M. R. McGuigan, C. Campbell, Geo. Michael.

Ice 4—L. Turner, A. O. F. Gill, Dr. K. A. MacEachern, K. Cantwell, vs. W. Pickard, skip; A. H. Roper, W. C. Hoyt, W. E. MacKay.

8:30 p.m.

Ice 1—P. M. Simmonds, skip; Gordon Stewart, Al Cordell, A. Wellner, vs. J. A. Simmonds, skip; K. Acorn, H. H. Simpson, J. D. Seaman.

Also the following Rendezvous games:

7 p. m.

Ice 1—J. Burden vs L. Prowse.

8:30 p.m.

Ice 2—Ed Tanton vs. W. Worth.

Ice 3—E. McInnis vs John MacDonald.

Ice 4—J. S. MacDonald vs. W. L. MacDonald.

Trainor Ordered To Undergo Medical Exam

The Islanders playing coach Wes "Bucko" Trainor (above) was ordered to undergo a medical examination yesterday and as a result was unable to make the trip to Sydney.

The hard working coach has appeared in all but three of the Islanders games this season and has been playing some of his finest hockey since returning to the Island from his campaign in the United States.

Trainor along with Dugger MacNeill of Halifax and Terry Reardon of the Millionaires have given outstanding examples of team leadership this season in that they lead their respective clubs not only on the bench but also on the ice.

However the Islanders coach had a tougher row to hoe than either MacNeill or Reardon. He had player and financial worries heaped on his shoulders from the outset of the year and he had the unenviable task of building a hockey team without the luxury of purchasing powers.

Despite these difficulties he has moulded together a team that had won four out of five games up until last night's contest with the Millionaires. In addition he has more help on the way and it may well be that he will have more success than either Murph Chamberlain or Leo Lamoureux in their quests for a Maritime Championship although these well known coaches had good clubs at their command and a fair amount of operating capital.

Trainor may still be out for Friday night's game against the Glace Bay Miners.

Results Of City Curling

Following are the results of last night's curling in Charlottetown.

Myron Bell 4, Dr. Barrett 7.

Emmett MasDonald 8, J. E. Burnett 5.

Mr. Jenkins 8, H. C. Trainor 9.

R. R. Bell 14, A. W. Hyndman 4.

Also results of games in Rondezvous competition.

H. Atkinson 10, J. F. MacLeod 6.

W. R. MacNeill 9, D. Saunders 6

L. Prowse 9, Ed Tanton 6.

S. Moore 5, F. Hansen 12.

Detroit Tigers Sign William Reynolds

DETROIT, (AP)—Detroit Tigers have signed William Reynolds, southpaw pitcher from Cincinnati, to a minor league contract.

The 18-year-old, 185-pounder who has never played professional baseball, will report to "tigertown" in Lakeland, Fla., for training this spring.

Steve Soushock, veteran Detroit Tiger utility man, Wednesday became the first to sign a 1954 contract with the club. Salary terms were not disclosed. The 34-year-old infielder and outfielder batted .302 last season.

The Islanders-Millionaires game of last night was about two and one half hours late in starting due to the fact that Millionaires did not arrive back in Sydney from Charlottetown until well on in the evening. The Islanders left here yesterday at noon by plane and arrived in Sydney shortly after one o'clock. The Millionaires apparently contracted some sort of trouble yesterday afternoon. For the Millionaires it was their most strenuous road trip of the season. They left home Monday morning and got as far as Cape Tormentine that evening. When the ferry did not cross they were forced to return to Amherst for the night. They played here on Tuesday night and then encountered road trouble on the way home yesterday. The Islanders will likely return home sometime today. Weather conditions were expected to hinder their return early this morning. Bucko Trainor and Buck Whitlock were unable to make the trip with the Islanders. In Trainor's absence team captain Gus Gustaveson looked after coaching duties.

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Two men will be added to the Islanders lineup within the next week and another will be returning from the sidelines to pretty well complete the roster of the Charlottetown Club for the 1953-54 season. "Indian Joe" Nolan from Kentucky and Hughie Riopelle from Ottawa are expected to join the club shortly while big Bob Gray, who has been ill for several weeks, should be back in uniform within a few days. Gray has been skating for the past couple of days and there is a possibility he may play here Friday night against the Glace Bay Miners.

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According to the last word from Ottawa, Riopelle will be coming this way. He is young and a good left winger. However these arrangements about players can never be certified until the player arrives. The Senators have lost their last three games and this might cause some shake-up in their plans. According to Claude Robert the Senators lost half their team when Hugh Bolton was called up to the Maple Leafs.

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Coach Bucko Trainor has come a long way with his team since last October. Trainor started with a nucleus of good players and has built around them to give Charlottetown as good a team as there is in the circuit. Few other coaches in the Maritimes have gotten as much hockey out of his players as Bucko has gotten from the Islanders. The local club hasn't played a poor game here this season. On every appearance the Islanders have been a spirited, aggressive club.

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This could be the Islanders year. The Islanders coach won't say too much about the team's chances of taking the Maritime honors but it is no secret that he feels he has the club .The league leaders Halifax and Sydney appear to be slowing down while the Miners and Islanders have been gaining momentum as the season rolls along. Actually Halifax has not been slowing down too much but rather the other clubs have kept improving. However the Atlantics still hold a good lead over the other teams and could afford to slacken a little at this time of the season.

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Dave MacLeod of Charlottetown, who played with the junior Abbies baseball team last summer and the Prince of Wales College football team during the fall, spent the Christmas holidays in Boston. While in the U. S. A. Dave visited Randy Edwards and his wife and reports that Randy is as well and as energetic as ever. Randy is working in the lumber business with his uncle near Boston. He introduced Dave to Art Gore, the Major Baseball League umpire and Gore autographed four World Series baseballs for the Charlottetown boy. MacLeod also saw the Boston Bruins and the New York Rangers in a pro basketball game. Cousey and Ed MacAuley of the Celtics took his eye in the hoop contest.

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A former Tignish boy Paul MacInnis has been making a name for himself in Golden Gloves boxing tournaments in the United States. MacInnis, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Augustin A. MacInnis, is living in New Jersey and he recently won his way to the State finals in the 139 pound class by disposing of his first three opponents. He won his last bout with a right hand knockout punch over a fellow named Herb Burrell of Newark. The photo of the knockout was shown in the Newark Star Ledger.

"Muzz" Patrick To Take Over As Rangers' Coach

NEW YORK, (AP) — Murray (Muzz) Patrick, member of the famous hockey family and a former Ranger, will take over as coach of New York Rangers on Saturday, the National Hockey League club said Wednesday.

The 36-year-old Patrick will succeed manager-coach Frank Boucher as field boss of the team. Boucher, who had been trying to get Patrick for months, will remain as manager.

Patrick currently is coaching Seattle Bombers in the Western Hockey League. He will join the Rangers, in fifth place in the six-team NHL, in New York Saturday.

Gen. John Reed Kilpatrick, president of Madison Square Garden, completed the negotiations with Patrick.

Murray becomes the third member of the Patrick clan to coach the Rangers. His father, Lester, one of hockey's all - time greats, was the Rangers' first coach. Lynn Patrick, Murray's brother, coached the club for two years and now coaches the Boston Bruins of the NHL.

Murray Patrick started with the Rangers as a defenseman in 1938 and after three years joined the United States Army for a four-year hitch. After leaving the army he played a half-season for the Rangers and then became coach for Providence of the American Hockey League. He later coached at St Paul and Tacoma before signing with Seattle this season.

SEATTLE, (AP—Murray (Muzz) Patrick will return to New York Rangers of the National Hockey League Sunday, coaching the team that night in Madison Square Garden against Toronto Maple Leafs.

Expressing surprise at the announcement from New York that he had been signed, Patrick went into an immediate conference with business manager Frank Dotten of Seattle Bombers. He obtained his release as manager of the local Western Hockey League team.

He will get clearance also from business associates in nearby Tacoma, where he is co-owner of the Tacoma Arena, and will leave Friday night by air for New York.

Golfer Ben Hogan Voted Male Athlete Of The Year

By John Chandler

NEW YORK, (AP)—Ben Hogan, called by many the greatest golfer who ever lived after he captured the British Open championship with a record-smashing final round last summer, was voted "male athlete of the year" for 1953 Wednesday in the 23rd annual year-end Associated Press poll.

The mighty Texas shotmaker, who won golf's triple crown in 1953—the U. S. and British Open championships, and the Augusta Masters—was an overwhelming choice in the country-wide poll of sports writers and sportcasters. The 41-year-old bantam Ben received 67 first place votes out of the 129 ballots cast, and rolled up 229 points on a 3-2-1 basis.

Marciano Second

For the second straight year Rocky Marciano, world's heavyweight champion, was in the runner-up spot. Marciano, second to Bob Mathias, twice Olympic decathlon champion in the 1952 poll, received 12 first-place votes this time and had a total of 80 points.

Third in the 1953 poll was Willie Shoemaker, the year's champion jockey who rode 485 winners, more than any other rider in one season in racing history.

Two college football stars were fourth and fifth, respectively, Johnny Lattner of Notre Dame and Minnesota's Paul Giel. Following in order were Roy Campanella, the Brooklyn Dodger catcher and National League most valuable player; Mal Whitfield, two-time Olympic 800 metres champion; Ted Williams Boston Red Sox slugger who returned late in the season from the Marine Corps and started banging homers again; and Wes Santes of Kansas, who set an American mile record of 4.02.4 last June 5.

Hogan is the first golfer to be named male athlete of the year since Byron Nelson was voted the honor in both 1944 and 1945.

Ladies' Curling

Following is the ladies curling draw for this afternoon at the Charlottetown Curling Club at 2.30:

Ice 1.—Dogis MacDonald, skip M. Worth, P. Simmonds, Olive MacDonald; vs. M. MacNeill, skip B. Howatt, S. MacKenzie, N. Simpson.

Ice 2.— Liz MacDonald, skip B. Roper, H. Likely, Mrs. Hornsby; vs. A. Hoyt skip, T. Hawkins, A. Swindell, Mrs. A. MacLeod.

Ice 3.— Ada Mahar skip, S. Pickard, V. Simmonds, M. Jones; vs. P. Burden skip, K. Mustard, R. MacEachern, H. Willis

Friday 2.30:

Ice 1.— K. Johnson skip, J. Giddings, A. Bonett, G. Seaman; vs. H. MacKenzie skip, I. Gallant, Mrs R. Moore, Mrs. Stead.

Ice 2.—J. Parker skip, Anges MacDonald, M. Stewart, M. Cordell; vs. E. Bell skip, S. Storey, Nita MacDonald, M. MacKenna. Spares H. Ferguson, P. Henry, S. Michael

Skips responsible for attendance or substition of own team.

Rangers Stretch Winning Streak To Three Games

NEW YORK, (AP)—New York Rangers put together a three-game National Hockey League winning streak for the first time in two years Wednesday night as they defeated Chicago Black Hawks 4-3 with two-goal splurges in the first and third periods.

The victory turned in before a Madison Square Garden crowd of 7,571, moved the Rangers within four points of the idle fourth-place Boston Bruins.

Summary

First period

1. New York, Henry (Buller, Chrystal) 4:37
2. New York, Raleigh 14:17
3. Chicago, Gee (Mortson) 14:58

Penalties: Fogolin 3:40, Irwin 3:07.

Second Period

4: Chicago, Conacher (Gadsby, Peters) 18:36

Penalties: Fogolin 4:33, Bullers 5:57, Fogolin 12:10, Chrystal 13:39

Third period

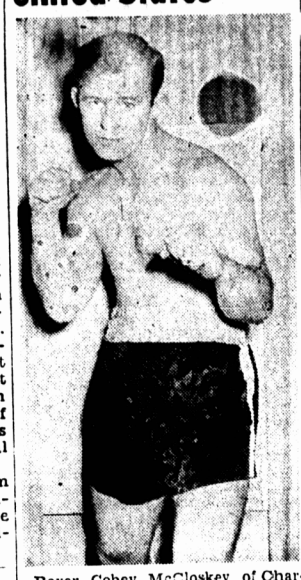
5: New York, Howell (Ronty, Hergesheimer) 5:21
6. New York, Mickoski (Raleigh, Kullman) 6:26
7. Chicago, Conacher (Jankowski, Hucul) 19:58

Penalties: None.

SPECIAL CAROL

BRANTFORD, Ont., (CP) — Downtown shoppers heading from a public address system at the city hall paid special attention when the announcer dedicated a carol to "the police officer shivering on the corner." The officer looked pleased.

Island Boxer In United States



Boxer Cobey McCloskey of Charlottetown, who is presently fighting in United States rings, is pictured above.

McCloskey joined Bobby Gleason's stable in New York last fall and has had one eight round fight in Detroit. He defeated Fred Morton, a colored lightheavyweight. Since then he has been in training for another eight rounder in New York.

McCloskey holds the honor of being the only Maritime boxer ever to defeat New Brunswick's Yvon Durelle. The Charlottetown boy decisioned Durelle three years ago.

Scoring Records Of Islanders

Following are scoring statistics for the Islanders this season. These figures do not include last night's game at Sydney.

	G.	A.	Pts.
Saindon	39	37	76.
Whitlock	26	36	62.
Trainor	11	36	47.
Carver	19	24	43.
Gray	21	21	42.
Robert	11	19	30.
Gustaveson	0	17	17.
Ritchie	9	6	15.
Gignac	7	7	14.
MacLaughlin	2	10	12.
Towers	3	7	10.
Palladino	8	0	8.
Dowling	4	4	8.
Hennessey	1	7	8.
LaChance	5	3	8.
Blackburn	1	5	6.
Dorrington	2	2	4.
LeBlanc	0	3	3.
Charlebois	1	2	3.

Quebec Old-Timers Turn Back Ont. Opposition

MONTREAL, (CP)—The Quebec old-timers reached back into the past Wednesday night and came up with enough hockey finess to turn back the Ontario old-timers 11-9 in the first interprovincial game between the gallant veterans of the hockey wars.

The Conacher family spearheaded the Ontario team, Charlie counting two goals and Roy two. Syd Howe and Des Smith were the top scorers for Quebec with two each.

It was a game for charity—for crippled children—and 10,003 fans braved a driving snow storm to see the game. Net receipts were $10,390.06.

Basketball Leagues To Swing Into Operation Within The Next Week

A four team Island Basketball League and a five team City League were organized at meetings of basketball representatives during the past two evenings. Both league will commence play next week.

St. Dunstan's University, Summerside Air Force, Sport Lodge Trotters and the Nomads will comprise the teams in the Island circuit. The Intermediate Saints, P.W.C., Sport Lodge Trotters, Nomads and Summerside will compete in the City Loop

Lt. Col. W. J. MacDonald has been elected President of the Island League. The President of the City League is Ivan Dowling, the Prince of Wales College coach.

Each team in the Island League will play twelve games or will meet each other team four times. The City League schedule calls for eight games per team.

Summerside were last minute entries in the City League. They were represented at the meeting by Charlie Ballem. The Summerside entry will play their home games in the western capital.

The schedules for both leagues will be drawn up by Rev. W. J. MacGuigan of S.D.U. If a playing floor is available the Trotters will meet P.W.C. Saturday night in the opening game of the City League.

Four team will be allowed in the City League play-offs with the first place team and the fourth meeting in one bracket of the semi-finals while the second and third place teams meet in the other bracket. The semi-finals will be two game total point series while the finals will be two out of three.

Each team will be allowed twelve players in the City League and must make an initial registration by Jan. 15 with League President Dowling. A final registration will be made before Jan. 25. No players can be added to teams after the final registration deadline. A team unable to send five of its members on the floor by game time will automatically lose two points. Any player thrown out of a game by an official will be automatically suspended for the two following games.

Games in Charlottetown will be played on Wednesday and Saturday nights. The home teams will be responsible for the appointment of referees.

The members of the City League executive are Rev. W. J. MacGuigan from S.D.U.; Wendell Gillis of the Sport Lodge Trotters; George Scantlebury of the Nomads and Charlie Ballem of Summerside.

Hockey Scores

By The Canadian Press

Maritime Major

Charlottetown 2, Sydney 5

APC Senior

Truro 1, Pictou 5

Quebec League

Montreal 4, Chicoutimi 2
Juebec 6, Springfield 2
Ottawa 0, Valleyfield 2

American League

Syracuse 3, Hershey 2
Cleveland 1, Pittsburgh 6
Buffalo 1, Providence 5

National League

Chicago 3, New York 4

Ontario-Juebec Junior

Barrie 6, Trois- Rivieres 4
Quebec 1, Hamilton 3
St. Michaels 1, Canadiens 6
Jonquiere 4, Marlboros 5

Ontario Junior

Kitchener 7, Guelph 3

Ontario Senior

Kitchener 3, Chatham 5
Niagara Falls 4, Owen Sound 5

Northern Ontario Senior

Sudbury 3, Sault, Ont. 3

Maripacs Defeat Bearcats 5-1

STELLARTON, N. S., (CP)-Pictou Maripacs took a lead in the first period and held it throughout Wednesday to defeat Truro Bearcats 5-1 in a regular game of the APC Senior Hockey League schedule. Maripacs were ahead 2-0 at the end of the first an 4-0 at the end of the second.

Schedule For South East S. Shore League

Following is the schedule for the South East South Shore League:

January 8, Murray Harbour — Belle River.
January 11, Belle River — Murray Harbour.
January 12, Little Sands — Murray Harbour (Little Sands Rink).
January 13, Little Sands — Belle River.
January 15, Murray Harbour — Little Sands.
January 18, Murray Harbour — Little Sands.
January 19, Murray Harbour — Belle River (Little Sands Rink).
January 20, Little Sands — Belle River.
January 22, Murray Harbour — Belle River.
January 25, Murray Harbour — Little Sands.
January 26, Little Sands — Belle River (Little Sands Rink).
January 27, Murray Harbour — Belle River.
January 29, Little Sands — Belle River.
February 1, Murray Harbour — Little Sands.
February 2, Murray Harbour — Little Sands (Little Sands Rink).
February 3, Murray Harbour — Belle River.
February 5, Little Sands — Belle River.
February 8, Murray Harbour — Belle River.
February 9, Murray Harbour — Belle River (Little Sands Rink).
February 10, Little Sands — Belle River.
February 12, Murray Harbour — Little Sands.

All games will be played in the Murray Harbour Rink, except those listed for the Little Sands Rink.

Death In N. Y. Of Famous Shortstop

NEW YORK, (AP) — Walter (Rabbit) Maranville, a gay, carefree little man who was one of baseball's finest shortstops for more than 20 years, died Tuesday night at the age of 61.

Ironically, Maranville died while ballots were being distributed for the latest Hall of Fame election.

"The Rab" was high on the list last year and seemed certain to get heavy support in the current voting.

Maranville will be remembered for his famous "basket" catch on infield fly balls. He would drop his hands low as a pop fly came down to make the catch down near his knees, sending a hum through the crowd. Yet he seldom dropped the ball—maybe once in 10 years.

A sprightly soul with an impish turn, Maranville first won fame as the shortstop of the 1914 "miracle" Boston Braves who came from last place July 4 to win the National League pennant and then swept four straight from Philadelphia A's in the World Series. He was the spark plug of his club.

The Rabbit made the rounds—Boston, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Brooklyn, St. Louis and Boston again with a brief trip to the minors in between—scrapping, laughing, playing but never giving up.

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HOCKEY--GLACE BAY 8:30

SATURDAY—
General Skating ..... 3 to 5
Rural-Urban Night ..... 8 to 10

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