

Atlantics Take 3-2 Lead In Series, Blank Islanders 4-0 In Defensive Display

Without a doubt the greatest exhibition of "kitty bar the door" was displayed last night at the Charlottetown Forum when the Halifax Atlantics blanked the Islanders with a 4-0 score. From the time their first goal was scored by Ford at the 2:14 mark, the Halifax team was content to play close to the vest and wait for the breaks. One of these came in the second period and two more in the third, all being of the break away variety.

That the Islanders were outscored, does not for a minute mean that they were outplayed, as a matter of fact the shots on goal show that McMeekin was called upon to handle 28 shots while Bessette had 23 directed at him, including the four that went into the net. McMeekin was outstanding and was in addition to his fine netmending blessed beautifully by Lady Luck. On several of the Islanders' gang attacks the puck seemed to go anywhere but into the Halifax and so fierce was the onslaught made by the local boys that the Halifax goalie at times did not have an opportunity to see the bounding rubber.

With two teams so evenly matched as those playing last night, it is not surprising that the team scoring the first goal invariably wins the game. This was certainly the case last night and Halifax got their chance when Johnnie Morrow who is noted more for his trouble-making tactics than for his playing ability, handed with Watson for the final goal of the evening. It was a well executed play and Bessette had no chance on it. Bloom, who started the play, drew an assist.

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Uphill Battle

It was an uphill battle for the Islanders when they started the third period and once again the Halifax team confined their efforts to keeping the puck outside their own blueline. When they did break loose it was always a dangerous sortie and once again Peanuts McLaughlin single-handedly took Ford out when he was in alone on the Charlottetown cage. Muckle Hollett who has scored a goal a game on Charlottetown ice since this series began, put the Atlantics ahead 3-0 at 11:15 when he took McNeill's long pass to streak in on Bessette who was completely outguessed the veteran Pete Wywrot who played a wonderful game all evening, combined with Watson for the final goal of the evening. It was a well executed play and Bessette had no chance on it. Bloom, who started the play, drew an assist.

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Changes Lines

Coach Trainer shifted big Bob Gray up from the defensive position to play on a game attack and Claude Robert, Blackburn was called back into service to replace the vacancy caused by Sandon whom it is understood asked for his release from the club. Sandon showed great promise during the early part of the winter and well up in the scoring column but since the start of the playoffs the big left winger could not seem to find his stride.

In spite of the fact that Islanders were trailing 1-0 at the end of the first, the period was definitely theirs as they kept the puck inside the Halifax blueline for the most of the 20 minutes. There were eight penalties with three going to the Islanders, including a major. Halifax started their defensive tactics as soon as the first goal was scored and continued this method of play throughout the game.

Early in the second period McMeekin complained of interference from fans in the balcony and the Halifax goalie was bothered several times by heckling from the crowd. Islanders pressed to the attack and were almost caught napping when Clements snared a loose puck at centre ice and coasted in on Bessette only to be stopped by the stellar back attack-

Lineups:
Halifax: Goal, McMeekin; defence, Bloom, Arand, Lepine, McNeill; forwards, Wywrot, Bonness, Ford, Hollett, Watson, Morrow, McPhee, Leeder, Clements.
Charlottetown: Goal, Bessette; defence, Gustavson, McLaughlin, Blackburn, O'Connor; forwards, Trainer, Whitlock, Gray, Carver, Ritchie, Palladino, Gignac, Laliberte, Robert.
Referees: Will Lemuir, James Newell.
Summary:

Period	Halifax	Atlantics
First Period	0	1
Second Period	0	1
Third Period	0	0
Total	0	2

Penalties: Whitlock 1:35, 5:14, Morrow 1:35, Palladino 1:35, major; Ford 2:37, McNeill 4:35, McPhee 8:06, Lepine 11:04.

Hockey Referees Have Troubles

MONCTON, (CP)—Hockey referees have their troubles. Dewar Judson and Joe Cormier, both of Moncton, left here last week to handle the New Brunswick League finals between Campbellton, N. B., and Causapscal, Que. From the time they left until they returned four days later the pair underwent a series of mishaps that would have discouraged the strongest heart.

Traveling in Judson's car, they were given a parking ticket, became lost, stuck on the ice of the Restigouche river when they tried to take a short-cut, and lost a bumper fender and headlight when struck by a train.

The car wasn't insured and to top it off, Judson picked up what he thought was a wet firecracker during the game and it exploded burning his hand.

FORUM DATES
MARCH 16 to 20

TUESDAY—Children's Skating 4 to 5:30
General Skating 8 to 10

WEDNESDAY—General Skating 8 to 10

THURSDAY—HOCKEY—MONTAGUE—MILTON, Intermediate Title King's & Queens.

FRIDAY—Children's Skating 4 to 5:30
Ice Follies—8.

SATURDAY—HOCKEY—HALIFAX—ISLANDERS

BASKETBALL FINALS
The Maritime Intercollegiate Basketball Finals will be held at S. D. U. GYMNASIUM TONIGHT (TUESDAY) AT 8:30 P. M. S. D. U. vs. ST. FRANCIS XAVIER Admission 50c

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Minor Hockey Playdowns Are Postponed

Due to an unfortunate collision on the Commercial Road yesterday involving a truck, and cars carrying Murray Harbor Minor hockeyists to Montague, three Kings County playoff games were not played last evening as the Murray Harbor boys did not reach Montague.

Fortunately, as far as it could be ascertained at time of writing, none of the boys making the trip were injured and efforts will be made today to have the delayed games played as early as possible Wednesday.

The winners of this Montague-Murray Harbor series will advance against the Queens County paperweights and pee-wee winners and the Queens-Prince bantam winners with the first of these games to be played in Kings County Thursday evening, if at all possible. Final games of this round will, if weather and roads permit, be played in Crapaud, Friday, March 19th.

Albany Junior St. Pats Defeat Crapaud 11-4

Last evening at Crapaud Rink, Albany Junior St. Pats packed too much speed, experience and sniping ability for Crapaud Hearts. Albany broke as they defeated the dairy village boys by a score of 11-4.

This was the second game in the playoff series for the Frank Myers Trophy, emblematic of the League title and the win places the Albany boys out in front in the playoff race by a score of two games to nil.

Last night's officials were Barry Dawson and Gary MacLean.

S'ide Man On Maritime Junior Baseball Ass'n

AMHERST, N.S. (CP)—Magistrate W. F. Lane of Moncton was elected president of the Maritime Junior Baseball Association which held its organizational meeting here during the week-end.

Other officers are: vice-president, Bob Schurman, Summerside, P. E. I.; Clint Ferguson, Fredericton; J. H. Pelrine, Halifax and secretary-registrar Roy LeBlanc of Moncton.

Franklins Win Junior Opener

MONCTON, (CP)—North Sydney Franklins outscored Sussex Rangers 4-5 here Monday night in opening a best-of-seven series for the Maritime junior hockey championship.

Another game will be played here Tuesday night before the scene shifts to North Sydney. Franklins are defending the title.

Gold Diggers Unbeaten In Last 27 Games

TIMMINS, Ont. (CP)—South Porcupine Gold Diggers, unbeaten in their last 27 games, strike out Wednesday night on the Memorial Cup trail.

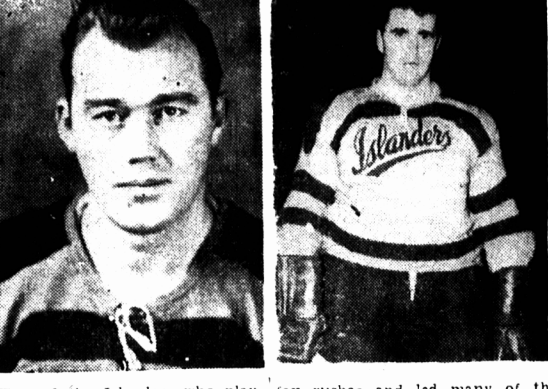
Gold Diggers, a junior club sponsored by New York Rangers of the National Hockey League, will meet the St. Catharines in nearby St. Catharines March 17 and 19 in opening games of their best-of-five series, then go to Ottawa for games scheduled for March 22, 24 and 26. The winner takes on the Maritimes junior champions.

The northerners' victory string this season included 19 triumphs in the last half of the regular Gold Belt junior A schedule and then eight straight playoff successes. They took Kirkland Lake in straight games and then handed the same treatment to the Porcupine Combines, who checked up five games and then won in five games in the Maritimes winner before bowing to Quebec Citadelles.

With reliable Reel Seguin as goalie, the team is headed by Graham Savord, the Gold Belt's leading sniper, who checked up 77 points in the 22 games he took part in during the regular season.

Five of the Gold Diggers were top scorers of the Gold Belt junior A schedule. They were Savord; Moe Cheverifis, a younger brother of Real of Boston Bruins of the NHL; Bobby Lamarche; and Pete Gaszola and George Whyte, former members of the Guelph Biltmore team in the Ontario Hockey Association junior A loop.

Played Great Game



Two of the Islanders who played ed outstanding hockey in last night's game were Gus Gustavson (left), and Peanuts McLaughlin (right). Gus broke up many Halifax rushes and led many of the Island attacks, while Peanuts saved two sure goals on Clements and Ford.

Stellarton Royals Win Senior Hockey Opener

STELLARTON, N.S. (CP)—Stellarton Royals pounded Fredericton Capitals 8-4 to take a 1-0 lead in the best-of-seven Maritime senior hockey finals here Monday night.

Stellarton outscored Fredericton 3-2 in the first period, scored four goals to one for Fredericton in the second and split two goals in the third.

Stewart scored four goals to lead the Royals' attack. Wilson had two and Bédoux and Scatlone one each. Burton led Capitals with two goals and Menzies and Bliss had singles.

Floyd in the Stellarton goal was outstanding making 27 stops, 12 in the second period. Helverson made 19 stops for Fredericton.

In the closing minutes of play a wild brawl developed with both teams and some of the spectators taking part in the action. The teams left the ice and order was restored.

The game was sprinkled with penalties, 23 being called, 10 of them in the first period.

The second game will be played here tonight.

Montague High Hockey Teams Are Entertained

The Montague High School boys and girls hockey teams enjoyed a delightful turkey dinner at the Bison Restaurant last evening as a closing memento of a season's activities. Mr. John Hughes, Principal, presided as master of ceremonies. He introduced Mayor B. H. Yeo, who spoke instructively on education and physical fitness. Mr. Hughes then introduced Dr. R. McCrea, coach of the High School team, who was presented with a going away present on behalf of the team by Mr. Blair Westervorth.

Dr. and Mrs. McCrea are leaving for Kansas in the near future. Mr. Art Sullivan on behalf of the Legion, offered congratulations to the teams on the completion of a successful year. The evening concluded with a sing song, during which Mr. Hughes feelingly rendered "G'way Bay" with Miss Anna MacLaren as pianist.

St. F. X. Wins Intercollegiate Hockey Crown

SACKVILLE, N. B. (CP)—St. Francis Xavier, University of Antigonish, N. S., captured the Maritime intercollegiate hockey crown Monday night by blanking Mount Allison University 3-0 and taking the two-game total-goal series 6-3.

It was Mount Allison's first defeat in the last two seasons.

The goals were shot by Donnie Bisson in the first period and Ackie MacSween and Tom Blackmore in the third.

A record total of 461,000 new motor vehicles were sold in Canada in 1953.



Nate Brooks Wins Non-Title Bout

BROOKLYN, (AP)—Nate Brooks, North American bantam weight champion from Cleveland, put on a dazzling exhibition Monday night to easily outpoint Henry (Pappy) Gault, Spartanburg, S.C., in a non-title 10-round bout at Eastern Parkway Arena. Brooks, a 3-1 favorite, weighed 118-1-2 and Gault, 121.

It was the 20-year-old Brooks' first start since he won his continental crown by stopping Billy Peacock in eight rounds Feb. 8 in the same arena.

Don Lockhart, goalie of the East York Lyndhursts, is seen with his wife who was on hand to greet him on his return from Stockholm, Sweden where the Canadian hockey team lost the world's hockey championship to the Russian team 7-2. Don is well known to hockey fans in the Maritimes where he performed with Moncton Hawks and Glace Bay Miners.

Players returning from Stockholm had varying tales concerning Russian prowess; however there was unanimity on one point which was that the Moscow Dynamos deserved to win over the Canadian representatives, as they were a much better team than their opponents. They were also

North River And Hampshire To Meet In Finals

North River won from York 5-0 last night and Hampshire shut-out Winsloe 7-0 in a double header hockey game at North River rink last night in the semi-finals of the second North River Hockey League.

North River now meets the Dunstaffnage Bombers to decide the winners which will then play the Bulldogs in the finals.

North River goals were scored by B. Lank 2, S. Hurry, L. MacLean and L. Sellick one each.

In the second game Hampshire's marksmen were F. MacLean 3, S. Watts 2, L. MacLean and L. Balderston one each.

Hockey Scores

- By THE CANADIAN PRESS
- Maritime Major**
Halifax 4 Charlottetown 0
Halifax leads best-of-nine semi-finals 2-2.
- Maritime Junior**
North Sydney 8 Sussex 5
North Sydney leads best-of-seven finals 1-0.
- Northern Ontario Senior**
Sudbury 1 Sault, Ont., 3
Sault leads best-of-five finals 2-0.
- Ontario Senior A**
Richmond 2 Stratford 4
Stratford wins best-of-five semi-finals 3-1.
- Quebec Junior**
Quebec 10 Montreal Royals 2
Quebec wins best-of-seven semi-finals 4-0.
- Maritime Senior**
Stellarton 8 Fredericton 4
Stellarton leads best-of-seven finals 1-0.

Curling Draw

- Curling draw for tonight:
- 7:00 p.m.
Ice 1—1st year curlers—G. MacMillan vs. C. Campbell.
Ice 2—Seagraves—Final—12 ends—H. Atkinson vs. D. Saunders.
Ice 3—Challenge Trophy—Ladies of the Gay Nineties vs. W. Worth.
Ice 4—Travelers—Harpur, McNeil, S. Beaton, A. O. P. Gill, W. Goss vs. Wholesalers, S. MacDonald, L. Turner, Mel Jenkins, T. Rogers.
8:30 p.m.
Ice 1—Barrett Trophy—G. Stewart vs. P. O'Rourke.
9:00 p.m.
Ice 2—First year Curlers—H. Simpson vs. D. Sedgwick.
8:30 p.m.
Ice 3—Car Dealers—F. Hansen, W. Pickard, W. MacLaine, Geo Anderson vs. C.N.R., A. Howatt, N. Nicholson, Jas. Cameron, H. Douglas.
Ice 4—Open for scratch game.

Montague Curling Club Schedule

- Following is the draw for the Boether beer-stein bonspiel at the Montague Curling Club tonight:
- 7:00 p.m.
J. Cudmore, A. MacLaren, E. Shaw, L. MacDonald, vs. A. Wightman, L. Sinclair, G. McCannell, J. Johnston.
G. Gordon, G. Power, R. Murray, L. MacDonald vs. R. Beck, H. Clair, C. Nicholson, A. Power.
8:30 p.m.
J. MacLean, O. Poole, D. Cornish, C. Stewart vs. Dr. Johnston, B. Smith, J. Ballem, A. MacGregor.
Dr. Inman, L. Coffin, R. Hamilton, C. Llewellyn, vs. H. L. MacGregor, H. Inman, E. Robertson, C. Delorey.
10:00 p.m.
Dr. MacIntyre, J. MacDonald, T. Beck, E. Clay vs. G. Coffin, E. Cudmore, F. Fraser, L. Davis, J. Larkin, M. Nicholson, G. Wright, B. McGowan, vs. P. Sinclair, V. MacDonald, S. MacDonald, M. Jamieson.

Saints Play Xaverians Here Tonight In Maritime College Basketball Final

The Saint Dunstan's University Basketball team, winners of all their "must" games this year, play the biggest game of the entire season when they meet St. F. X. in the final game of the Maritime Intercollegiate Hoop Series.

The game gets underway at the S.D.U. gymnasium at 8:30 and it is expected that the spacious auditorium will be well filled long before referee Earl Nicholson blows the whistle for the opening jump at centre court.

The under-staffed Saints go into the game five points behind the defending champions from Antigonish. It marks the first time that the Saints have been so close to a Maritime Championship in the two years that they have competed for the crown.

The Xaverians won the opening game of the two game, total points series 55-50 in Antigonish a week and half ago. In that game they were playing without high scoring Al Korbutt who will be in the visitors lineup this evening.

It was the fine comeback by the under-dog Saints during the fourth quarter of the opening game that drew the most of the intercollegiate basketball followers. The Saints were 16 points behind at one time but rallied during the last ten minutes to play inspired ball and cut the lead to five points.

And it is inspired ball that the Saints will have to play this evening in order to win their first Maritime Basketball championship. The Xaverians were power houses in Nova Scotia Intercollegiate circles as they whipped strong teams from Acadia and Dalhousie.

Throughout the season it has been in the big games that the Saints have appeared at their best. They made their most impressive showing at Sackville when they whipped a strong Mount A team by 22 points. Again the Saints came up with a fine performance on their home court to defeat U.N.B. in the deciding game of the N.B.-P.E.I. series.

The Saints followed that one up with their strong showing at Antigonish in their next outing.

The local Xaverians will be playing without Bud Lawlor. They will have playing coach Jack Reardon, Gus Dorais, Johnny Taylor, Bob Mooney and Frank Sloney for a starting five with Danny Shea and John B. Fisher in reserve. Shea played a very prominent part in the Saints' comeback at Antigonish in the first game. Leading the Xaverians' attack will be the feared Al Grassl, Korbutt, Pacey MacFarland and Richards.

S'ide Wins Intermediate B Series From Borden

The Summerside Aces defeated the Borden Nationals 3-2 at Borden last night in the second game of their home-and-home series for the Prince County Intermediate B hockey championship, winning the round by the total score of 15-5. This second game was much closer and some fine team work was displayed on both teams. Paul Schurman scored from just outside the crease at the three-minute mark of the first period, taking a lateral pass from his right winger Maynard Schurman, and his was the only goal of the initial session.

After almost five minutes had been played in the second period, Mooney Gallant took a pass from Peter Pope and beat Jordan with a beautiful shot that caught the upper left hand corner.

The Nationals outscored the Aces 2-1 in the final frame. Wendell MacFadyen figuring in both their goals, and the Aces production line scored for Summerside, Paul Schurman being the trigger man, and Maynard and Vance Harris furnishing the assists.

There were nine penalties handed out by Richard of Charlottetown and Razavet of Summerside, all minors.

Lineups:
Summerside Aces: Goal, D. Mo Innis; defence, L. Shields, G. Gay C. Woodside; forwards, P. Schurman, M. Schurman, V. Harris, M. Gallant, P. Pope, A. Romaine, C. Gaudet, E. Taylor, M. Cannon, C. Mill.
Borden Nationals: Goal, S. Jordan; defence, W. MacFadyen, G. Mutart, B. Dalziel; forwards, G. Howatt, D. Williams, F. DesRoches, G. Cutcliffe, C. Carruthers, P. Noonan, R. MacMurdo, D. Roberts, R. Smith.
Referees: Razavet and Richard.

First Period
1—Aces, P. Schurman (M. Schurman, V. Harris) 8:12
Penalties: Dalziel 2.

Second Period
2—Aces, M. Gallant (P. Pope) 4:40
Penalties: Gay (2), Dalziel, Woodside, Cutcliffe.

Third Period
3—Borden, Cutcliffe 4:04
4—MacFadyen (M. Schurman, Harris) 15:28
5—Borden, MacFadyen (Cutcliffe) 16:32
Penalties: Taylor, Gay.

Crapaud Bantams Win Queens-Prince Ch'ship

Claude MacWilliams' Crapaud Bantams won the Queen's-Prince hockey championship by defeating Herb Schurman's Summerside Bantams 6-3 at the Raeway Stadium yesterday evening, taking the road by the score of 17-8.

Dale MacWilliams got the hat trick, scoring three of his team's goals, while Leard got two, and Wayne Howatt, one.

Bill Noonan led the losers at attack, getting two centers, and Rananan potted the other.

Summary:

Period	Crapaud	Bantams
First Period	1	1
Second Period	2	1
Third Period	3	1
Total	6	3

Penalties: None.

India Enters Empire Games

VANCOUVER, (CP)—India has entered the British Empire Games here July 30-Aug. 7, becoming the 25th country to decide to send a team.

India originally planned to by-pass the games here for the Asian games in Manila.

But a telegram from Patna, Bihar, India, signed by a Mr. Mohungha of the Indian Olympic Association, arrived Monday, saying: "We have just decided to send team number to be determined later."

India's entry brings the number of countries to be represented in 25 of 27 members of the games federation. The number represents two more than were federation members when Vancouver started to organize the 1954 games. Four new countries have since become members.

The Queen Charlotte Islands of British Columbia were named after the English ship which reached there in 1787.

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