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Q. S. S. Captures Island Interscholastic Hockey Ch'ship In Overtime

The Queen Square School hockey team captured the Island Interscholastic Hockey Championship and the Crockett Trophy at the Forum last night when they squeezed out a close 14-13 victory over Summerside High School in a sudden death game for the title.

It was one of the smartest games of hockey to be witnessed at the Forum this season, and the Q.S.S. boys had to do it the hard way. Summerside, displaying really smart hockey ability, held a 9-5 lead over the local youngsters going into the third period, but the latter put on a terrific last period drive to knot the score at 11-11 by the end of regular playing time and send the game into 10 minutes of overtime. It was a furious ten minutes of hockey, with Q.S.S. going ahead by one goal on two different occasions only to have Summerside roar back to tie it up again, and it looked very much like it would go into additional overtime, when in the last 38 seconds of play, Charles "Whiff" MacDonald banged home the deciding counter for the game and the title.

Although the scoring was high, the play was not lax by either team in any department, and was a wide-open, free scoring encounter that was packed full of rugged action and smart passing attacks. Turning in an excellent performance for his team, Paul Schurman of Summerside was the leading goalgetter of the night with the large number of six to his credit, while teammates Junior Cahill, Maynard Schurman and Dalton accounted for the other tallies with four, two and one respectively. Charles MacDonald, Wendell Burke and Gillis turned in really top-notch performances for Queen Square and were the power behind their offensive, MacDonald garnering five goals and the other two tallying four each, while Cliff Gillis got the other marker.

Summerside led by a 5-2 score at the end of the first, 9-5 at the end of the second, with Queen Square tying it up at eleven all at the end of the third, and outscore the opposition 3-2 in overtime for their win.

Rangers Pin Hopes On Stopping Rocket Richard

By AL COLLETTI
 NEW YORK, March 28 (CP) — A change in Ranger strategy may either backfire or mean a rough time for Maurice (Rocket) Richard when Montreal's speedy Canadiens meet New York here tomorrow night in the opening game of the best-of-seven Stanley Cup semi-final playoffs.

Coch Lynx Patrick of the Rangers today made known that he is concentrating particularly on the National Hockey League's No. 1 goal-getter who, with his star linemates Elmer Lach and Norm Dussault, burned up the circuit in the last three weeks of regular play. Patrick said that if his No. 1 line can't stop the Montreal powerhouse he'll give the job to his No. 2 trio of centre Don Raleigh, Ed Stasiwinski and Penitt Lund.

Everything hinges on how the injured left knee of Edgar Laprade stands up. Laprade, pivot of the No. 1 line, worked out with his teammates this morning and didn't spare the speed.

Patrick probably will start Laprade and wingers Tony Leswick and Ducean Fisher against Lach-Richard-Dussault. Leswick will have the job of backchecking Richard.

With a bag of 43 goals during the regular season including 10 against the Rangers, Richard is strictly a "clutch" player when it comes to playoff hockey. He holds the playoff record for the most goals in a game — five against Toronto in 1944.

Lach, who has taken part in six playoffs, has 14 goals and 31 assists. Buddy O'Connor, the former Canadian, leads the Rangers. O'Connor has appeared in seven playoffs, scored 11 goals and assisted on 19 others.

The Ranger coach feels that on the basis of the 14-game seasonal series between the teams the Canadiens can be stopped even though



The Summerside Crystals certainly left no doubt in anybody's mind as to who should represent the Island Intermediate A Hockey League in the playoffs against Borden Nationals for the Island Intermediate championship and the right to continue on into Maritime Intermediate play, when they sent the Charlottetown Abbies down to a 13-3 shellacking in a sudden death game here at the Forum on Monday night.

Losing the opening game 5-4 to Abbies here last Thursday, in what was to be a home and home, total goal series to decide the winner, the Crystals tied the series at 5-5 at the Western Capital on Saturday night by taking a close 1-0 victory, and at the same time forcing the issue into a sudden death game.

Turning in what was undoubtedly their best performance this season, the Grant coached pucksters made every break they got in the game count to lead by a 3-0 score at the end of the first session over an Abbie team, who were having the directly opposite kind of luck on their breaks and didn't seem to be able to make things click when they needed to most. Even though the Abbies held the balance of the play in the stand-out session, they couldn't win any more than break even with Crystals at a goal each to trail by a 4-1 count at the end of that time, having to contend with the very stoutest type of defensive action on the part of the Summerside team as a whole, and goalie Bill Sprague in particular, who was nothing short of superb in his performance at times.

But what happened in the first two periods, was nothing as to what took place in the final frame. Turning on a veritable landslide of scoring action, the western boys drove the attack right from the opening of the final period to slam home two goals in the first two minutes and twenty-nine seconds of play and coming only nine seconds apart, and before the seven minute mark in the period had been reached, fired two more past a harassed Abbie goalie Hooper and run their score to 8-1.

Trying to get over their slump and fighting back gamely, the Abbies came up with their second goal of the night, but no sooner got it than the aggressive Summersideites nestled three more in the mesh behind Hooper before they managed to retaliate again at the 18:30 mark. The pressure just about threw the Abbies into a complete rout, and before the period ended, the Crystals had winged home two more to wrap up the game and the series in a most decided manner and look like a strictly championship team all the way.

In an interview last evening with Mr. Walter Lawlor, Vice President, M.A.H.A., it was learned that neither of the official referees in the hockey game at the Charlotte-Ft. Lauderdale, Thursday evening, March 23rd, between the Summerside Crystals and the Charlottetown Abbies witnessed the alleged interference by Mr. Carl Woodside with Abbie player Ralph Sheppard before the fracas of the third period started. In view of the above statement the writer regrets having published that Mr. Woodside was the party interfering with the game.

The Prince Edward Island Midget hockey champions, the Summerside Kinsmen, will travel to Moncton today where they will meet the Moncton West-End Beavers, New Brunswick champions, in quest of the N.B.-P.E.I. midget title and the right to progress into the playoffs for the Maritime midget hockey crown.

The contest will be a sudden death encounter, and will have the locals at a slight disadvantage having to perform under strange surroundings, but it will be interesting to see how the youngsters will fare out, and it is hoped that they will more than hold their own. It will be the fourth Island representative to compete against New Brunswick teams in playoff competition this season, and if they can come through with a victory, they will be the first to do so and will do much to revive the Island's status after suffering defeats so far in Junior, Juvenile and Intercollegiate divisions.

Malcolm MacFadyen and Arnold MacCallum were the officials, while the timer was Donnie Large and the scorer Bill Leonard. The line-ups and scores are as follows:

Y. M. C. A.: J. Wood 16, D. Wood 2, Atkinson 10, Beaton 2, Smith, MacDougall 2, Beers. Total—32.

W. K. S.: MacMillan 4, Hoyt 13, Lantz 2, White 5, Chandler, MacNeill 2, Birt 4, Scanlebury, Kennedy, Watson. Total—30.

P. S. S. Captures Island School Girls Ch'ship

The Prince Street School girl pucksters proved to have just a little too much scoring punch for the Montague High School girls when they scored a 3-0 shut-out victory over them at the Forum last night in a sudden death playoff game to walk off with the Island interscholastic girls hockey championship and the Wellner Trophy.

Led by the fast skating P. S. S. forward, Marjory Hurst, who notched up two of her team's three tallies, the Prince Street pucksters forced the attack most of the time to hold a 1-0 lead at the end of the first, played to a scoreless second period, and added two more in the third for their shutout. Peggy Campbell also played an aggressive game for Prince Street and came up with their second goal.

The game was a well contested encounter, and although the locals held the edge on the territory play, the Montague girls made some smart attacks at times, and were really in the game all the way.

Although Joan Dillon was the winning goalie and earned her shutout, the net custodian for Montague, Hennigar, came through with some excellent saves at times, and considering the amount of rubber she had thrown at her, did a smart job to keep the scoring down as low as it was, and was easily the standout performer on the visiting lineup.

The following are the lineups and summary:—
 Montague: Goal, Hennigar; defence, F. Stewart, L. MacLure, J. Lake, F. Murphy; forwards, W. MacLure, M. O'Holloran, S. MacDonald, B. Shaw, F. Higginbotham, E. Mabon, A. Power, M. Lennigan, E. Clair.

Prince Street: Goal, J. Dillon; defence, J. Tanton, T. Gurney, forwards, M. Hurst, P. Campbell, V. Stewart, M. Worthy, M. Stewart, J. Praught.

Referees: Jack Kane and Art Perry.
 Summary:—
 First Period
 1—P.S.S., M. Hurst 5:30
 Penalties—None.
 Second Period
 Scoring—None.
 Penalties: Vera Stewart
 Third Period
 2—P.S.S., P. Campbell 4:20
 3—P.S.S., M. Hurst 10:15
 Penalties—None.

"Y" Juveniles Win Second Hoop Game From W. K. S.

The Y. M. C. A. Juveniles made it two wins in a row over the West Kent School basketball team last night at the "Y" gym when they eked out a close 32-30 win over the latter in a rough, aggressive encounter.

The game started out at a slow pace but livened up at the five minute mark when both teams seemed to want to rough it up rather than play basketball. The "Y" team took a commanding lead at the half as they were out in front 24-10 when the whistle blew ending the stanza.

The second half saw the school team control the play for the better part of the half and outscore their rivals 20-8 to fall short of the mark by two points.

Jim Wood led the winners in scoring as he racked up a total of 18 points in the game while Ronnie Atkinson had an even ten. David Wood, Keith Beaton and John MacDougall accounted for the other six points, getting two each.

High scorer on the losers side was Joey Hoyt who accounted for 13 points with Bobby White having five and MacMillan and Birt four each. The other four points were divided up between Donnie MacNeill and Rory Lantz.

Feelings were at a high pitch throughout and the referees had a hard time in controlling the game. Players on both teams beefed long and loud over their decisions.

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Borden, Freetown Tied In South Shore Finals

Borden Nationals on an overtime goal by W. Oatway eked out a 7-6 win over the Freetown Royals at Bedeque Monday night to win the second game of the South Shore Hockey League finals. Freetown previously won the first game in the best two out of three series.

Toey Richard, Borden ace, scored four goals and picked up two assists for an even half dozen points. W. Pickering of Borden had two goals and two assists.

The MacIntee, Simmons, MacMurdo line figured in five of Freetown's goals with Simmons getting four and MacIntee one. Somers scored the other goal for the losers.

Lineups:—
 Freetown — Goal, Taylor; defence, Campbell and Waugh; forwards, W. Mills, C. Mills, Simmonds, MacIntee, MacMurdo and Somers.
 Borden — Goal, C. Rodgers; defence, W. Oatway, MacIsaac, Deigan; forwards, Richard, Dorsey, W. Pickering, G. Pickering, Rodgers, Ferguson and MacLear.

SUMMARY
 First Period
 1—Borden, W. Pickering (Richard).
 2—Borden, Richard (W. Pickering).
 3—Borden, W. Pickering (Richard).
 4—Borden, Richard (Ferguson).
 5—Freetown, MacIntee (MacMurdo).
 Penalties — Waugh

Second Period
 6—Freetown, Simmons (MacIntee).
 7—Borden, Richard (Dorsey).
 8—Freetown, Simmons (MacMurdo).
 9—Freetown, Simmons (MacIntee).
 10—Freetown, Somers.
 Penalties — Campbell and Dorsey.

Third Period
 11—Freetown, Simmons (MacMurdo).
 12—Borden, Richard (Pickering).
 Overtime
 13—Borden, Oatway

terday by the Department of Physical Fitness.
 The opening encounter of the double bill will commence at 7:15 when the Prince Street and West Kent School girls' teams will meet, while one hour later the boys' teams from the same two schools will clash.

Both encounters will be the first of two-game, total-point series for the City titles.

Gordie Howe Is Seriously Injured

DETROIT, March 28 (CP)—Gordie Howe of Detroit Red Wings, injured in the Wings' 5-0 loss to Toronto Maple Leafs in the Stanley Cup semi-finals, has a deep cut in his right eyeball, a fractured nose, a possible fractured cheekbone and a possible fractured skull, Harper Hospital reported tonight.

The 22-year-old wingman was felled in the third period in a play that may turn this Stanley Cup semi-final into a "grudge series."

As coach Tommy Ivan of Detroit saw the play, the Leafs' Ted Kennedy was skating in with the puck when he collided with Howe. Ivan said the butt of Kennedy's stick struck Howe directly on the right eye, felling him.

"I'm not saying it was intentional, but the check was there all right and Howe was hurt," Ivan declared.

Kennedy, on the other hand, said he never came in contact with Howe. "I was skating in to shoot when Howe and Jack Stewart converged to check me. The next thing I knew I was by them and Bill Barliko shouted to me that Howe was down on the ice."

"Gordie is one of my friends and I certainly would never do him any harm," Kennedy added.

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Hard-Hitting Leafs Shut Out Red Wings 5-0 In Series Opener

DETROIT, March 28 (CP) — A hard-hitting Toronto Maple Leafs team tonight opened its quest for a fourth straight Stanley Cup championship by humbling the National Hockey League champion Detroit Red Wings 5-0 before 13,669 fans.

The rough game was the opener of the best-of-seven semi-final series "A" with the coveted Stanley Cup as the ultimate goal. New York and Montreal, the other two semi-finalists, open their best-of-seven series tomorrow night.

It was the 12th consecutive time that Toronto had beaten the Wings in a playoff game. Leafs won the Stanley Cup the last two seasons by beating Detroit four straight in the finals.

Twenty-one penalties, four of them majors and another a misconduct, were called in the bruising battle that saw Detroit's Gordie Howe wind up in hospital. He suffered a severe cut on the right eye and side of his nose. He was injured in a collision with Toronto's Ted Kennedy in the third period.

Leafs broke the game wide open with a three-goal surge in the second period after the initial 20-minute session was scoreless. Joe Klukay tallied first with a 10-foot side angle shot at the 10-second mark.

Bill Barliko and Johnny McCormack sank short ones to make it 3-0 at the end of the second period. Then Cal Gardner and Klukay added insurance goals in the final period to protect Leafs' overwhelming lead.

The story of the game was in the harder checking by Toronto, which hit hard and often. Leafs' goalie Turk Broda had 21 saves.

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Local Team To Play At O'Leary
 It was announced by officials of the Abegweit Club yesterday, that they will send a hockey team to O'Leary tonight where they will play the O'Leary Maroons in an exhibition hockey contest.
 The proceeds of the game will be donated to the current Boy Scout drive for funds.
 The local team will leave from the Travel Bureau by car at 8:15 this evening.