

Rovers Defeat Saints 9-7 To Strengthen Hold On First Place In League

Jackie Kane's Rovers strengthened their first place hold in the City Hockey League last night by defeating A. J. MacAdam's Saints Dunstan's University team 9-7 at the Forum.

Harold "Red" Howatt, after being set up by Jack Brown and "Epy" Ready fired the winning goal to break a 7-7 deadlock in the dying minutes of the game. Brown and Howatt in the clear and the redhead fired a low shot into the net side of the cage. Seconds later Jack Brown fired the clincher to end the scoring for the night.

The Rovers opened the scoring with quick goals by Bill Ledwell and Ted Strain in the first period. But by the time the session had ended the Saints were leading 3-2 as the result of two goals by Ed Dalton and one by Melsaac.

During the second period the Rovers counted four times against once by the Saints and the City team went out front by a 7-4 score. Each team scored three goals in the last session.

Ted Strain was the winners leading strikers with two goals. Such goals were scored by Cecil Dowling, Bunkey Stanley, John Richard, Bill Ledwell, Jack Brown, Art Perry and Harold Howatt. Defenseman Jack "Epy" Ready picked up five assists on the night's play.

The Summerside boys, Ed Dalton and Stan Deighan led the Saints' attack with two goals each. Paul Jay, Melsaac and Juneau scored single goals. Juneau also

had three assists. The win gives the Rovers six points against three for both the Saints and the Anchors. Last night's game was refereed by Jim Flanagan and Joe Coyle.

S.D.U. — Goal, Harrigan; defense, Wedge, Waite, Juneau; forwards, Coyle, Gaudet, Melsaac, Deighan, Jay, Dalton, Murphy, Cheverie.

Rovers — Goal, Strain; defense, Ready, Perry, Burge; forwards, Dowling, Howatt, Strain, MacGregor, Ledwell, Stanley, Brown, J. Richard.

SUMMARY

- First Period**
 1—Rovers, Ledwell (Ready)
 2—Rovers, Strain (Ready)
 3—S.D.U., Dalton (Jay)
 4—S.D.U., Melsaac
 5—S.D.U., Dalton (Juneau)
- Penalties—None
- Second Period**
 6—Rovers, Strain (Dowling)
 7—Rovers, Dowling (MacGregor, Burge)
 8—Rovers, Richard (Perry, Ready)
 9—Rovers, Stanley (Richard)
 10—S.D.U., Deighan (Juneau)
- Penalties—Ready
- Third Period**
 11—S.D.U., Jay (Deighan, Juneau)
 12—Rovers, Perry
 13—S.D.U., Juneau
 14—S.D.U., Deighan
 15—Rovers, Howatt (Brown, Ready)
 16—Rovers, Brown (Ready)
- Penalties—None

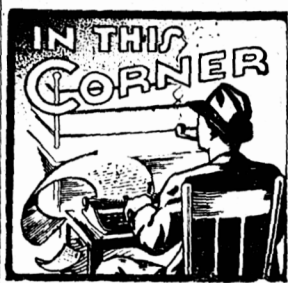
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Tonight the Islanders start their toughest week since the opening of the schedule last October. They open and close the week with games against the Halifax Saints and in between they meet the Beavers twice. They go into the fray tonight three points ahead of the Santamarians and if they can come out of Halifax Saturday night with a three point hold on several place then they should be able to hold on to their runner-up position for the rest of the way.

A win for the Islanders tonight will give them a five point edge over both the Saints and the Miners and possibly seven points more than the Miners who play at Sydney. A loss will cut their lead to one point over the Haligonians, who undoubtedly plan to make the most of this week as they play five games. In addition to playing the Islanders twice the Saints, meet the Millionaires, a like number of times. The Mills, fighting for play-off spot, should take at least one game from Halifax.

The long victory famine for the Beavers ended last night when O'Flaherty's crew dropped the Saints 6-2. The win kept the wolf away from the Islanders door and for this some thanks should go to former Islander, Hal Gordon the Beavers netminder. It was Hal's first victory in a Saint John uniform and the fact that it did not come before last night was not Hal's fault. Only two goals were scored against him in most of the games he played but the Beavers forwards were not clicking. Last night they apparently thought it was time to show Halifax who was boss in this league.

Coach Leo Lamoureux was a worried man last night. Yesterday afternoon he had learned that George McLagan had come down with the flu and was sporting a temperature of 103 degrees with the result that the Islanders were without a complete defensive unit for tonight's game. This leaves Leo with a working complement of only thirteen players, a baker's dozen. He plans to move either "Bucko" Trainer or Bob Gray back on defense with Larry Travis and Phil Vitale. If Trainer goes back "Hub" Beaudry will play centre; if Gray moves to the blue line "Hub" will be playing right wing on the Marshall line.

The Islanders now face an urgent need for at least two more players. Jimmy MacKenzie does not expect to be able to play for at least another four weeks. Conny Bonhomme will be out until the playoffs and the season. Johnny Dunham will be sidelined for three weeks. Lamoureux has been in contact with at least three American League Clubs, can get one man for an unreasonable price. Within a few days the figure may decline and there may be more players on the market. If there's not, there's going to be some tough going.

Johnny Dutchak is a patient in the Prince Edward Island Hospital and will be there for a couple of days or more. Johnny is suffering from torn ligaments in his knee. The last time his knee was injured he was bothered with a torn cartilage. He had the cartilage removed about a year and a half ago and the knee was in good condition this year.

Yesterday morning young Lloyd MacDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis MacDonald, Pownal Street, left Charlottetown to enter a Boston hospital where he will undergo a serious operation. Before his illness commenced Lloyd was a promising baseball and hockey player. Three years ago he was the smooth fielding third baseman for the Knights of Columbus Juniors and that winter he was netminder for the Junior Ables. We join with his parents, relatives and friends in wishing Lloyd a speedy recovery and we sincerely hope that it

Battle For Second Place When Islanders Tangle With St. Mary's Tonight

Another battle for the coveted second place in the M.M.H.L. standings will be waged at the Forum tonight when the short-handed Islanders play hosts to the determined Wil Fields and his band of Halifax Saint Mary's.

The future of second place will ride on the outcome of tonight's game between the two rivals. Three points separates the teams now so that after the game there will likely be either one or five points between them depending upon who wins.

The Islanders, although they have only 13 players, can not afford to lose. They hold second place by only a narrow margin and this week they have a tough

schedule, facing the Saints and the Beavers twice. George McLagan, who came down with the flu yesterday will not be playing. His place will be taken by either Bob Gray or "Bucko" Trainer. "Hub" Beaudry will play at centre or right wing in place of either Trainer or Gray.

Tonight's game is expected to be a repetition of Saturday night's brilliant contest in Halifax when the two teams last met. The Saints won that game 6-2. In their last visit here the Santamarians downed the Islanders by a 4-2 count. In three meetings previous to that game the Saints were victorious.

Maritime Rinks Take Lead In First Round At Big Quebec Bouspiel

By BERNARD DUFESNE
 QUEBEC, Jan. 28 — (CP) — Often-favored Maritimes rinks today took the lead in the first round of two opening competitions in the 39th Quebec International Bouspiel but a few were upset by Quebec foursomes.

Four rinks from the Maritimes

Draw For Keefer Trophy Competition

Following is the draw in ladies curling competition for the Keefer Trophy at the Charlottetown Curling Club. Play opened yesterday.

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| 1 Holly Taylor | Margo Beaton |
| Nora MacDonald | Lillian Duchemin |
| Helen MacKenzie | Jean Grant |
| Volma Mellich | Sybil MacMillan |
| (Skip) | (Skip) |
| 2 Leona Gillis | Rita Lamoureux |
| Elio Bell | Mel Trainor |
| Laura Pickard | Georgina Campbell |
| Marie MacNeill | Claudia Acora |
| (Skip) | (Skip) |
| 3 Eleanor Souer | Helen MacInnis |
| Yvonne Wilson | Jessie Payne |
| Marjorie Allan | Emily Rayner |
| Doris MacDonald | Rosemary Hill |
| (Skip) | (Skip) |
| 4 Roberta Sutherland | Ann Willis |
| Jean Giddings | Barbara Roper |
| Pauline Burden | Inez Gallant |
| Kay Johnston | Elizabeth MacDonald |
| (Skip) | (Skip) |
| 5 Erma MacPherson | Anne Matheson |
| Shirley Storey | Dorothy Stewart |
| Kay Mustard | Bessie Prowse |
| Agnes Hoyt | Mary McLennan |
| (Skip) | (Skip) |
| 6 Annie MacDonald | Blanche Conway |
| Helen Likely | Jean MacLear |
| Bertie Howatt | Ethel Sutherland |
| Lyla Mahar | Marion Dockendorff |
| (Skip) | (Skip) |
| 7 Spence Ann Burnett | Tillie Hawkins |
| Margaret Jones | Joyce Michell |
| Anne Wood | |

won first-round battles in the Chateau International event, while three moved into the second round of the Omega International.

In the Chateau, Maritime winners were D. R. MacKay, New Glasgow, N.S., J. K. Grainger, Moncton, N.B., Ralph Lyman, Moncton, N.B., and Jamie Creaser, Bridgewater, N.S. Quebec teams were the victims in all cases, except for Creaser who edged H. C. Fortier, of Montreal, 8-6.

J. R. McLellan, Sydney, N. S., Dr. C. Baxter, Moncton, and A. R. Clark, Fredericton, were the winners in the Omega. McLellan defeated Ira McEwen of Montreal, 7-5, in his first round battle.

The Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., rink, skipped by F. Johnston, led early Ontario winners in the Omega with a 9-8 win over Dr. W. W. Fleck of Dalhousie, N.B.

R. K. Metcalf of Royal Canadian tripped Charles Fyon of Montreal, 13-6, while F. G. Husband of Toronto High Park edged G. Pietie of Quebec, 9-8, in the Omega. E. H. Pooler of Toronto Granite, a veteran competitor in the 120-rink week-long bouspiel, advanced to the second round of the Chateau International.

A double entry from St. John's, Que., won their first-round games. M. Trahan edged E. W. Spriggs of Halifax Mayflower, 11-10, while J. A. Ross defeated A. E. Hartman, Midland, Ont., 12-7. P. J. Power of Detroit eliminated W. H. Solomon of Granby, Que., 10-6, in the first round of the Chateau.

Mel Stonehouse, a transplanted Quebecer now playing out of Ottawa, defeated L. McIntyre of Quebec, a former clubmate, 6-5. Stonehouse won the lieutenant-governor's trophy in 1950, emblematic of the bouspiel championship.

The entry list was divided into groups of 60, one each for the Chateau and Omega events. Lower events will enter the International Gold Cup competition starting tomorrow. Rinks reaching the quarter-final round in all three events will enter competition for the lieutenant-governor's trophy.

J. Mullan of Perron, Que., swamped the only Prince Edward Island team entered, Charlottetown, skipped by F. R. McLaine, 13-2, in the Chateau. (Members of the McLaine rink include: Mayor J. D. Stewart, L. H. Poole, Wendell Worth and F. R. McLaine, skip).

Hayes Outslugs Jake La Motta

BOSTON, Jan. 28 — (AP) — Norman Hayes, 20-year-old Boston Negro outslugger, former middleweight champion Jake LaMotta, the favorite, for a divided 10-round decision in their bruising feature boxing bout tonight at the Boston Garden.

A furious final turned the tide for Hayes, who weighed 163 to the Bronx Bull's 169 1/2. Hayes confined most of his battling to the last minute of each round except the 10th. During that session he slugged toe-to-toe throughout despite the fact LaMotta landed several blows packed with dynamite.

Referee Mel Manning's scorecard gave Hayes 99 points to 93 for LaMotta. Judge Johnny Norton also favored Hayes, 98-97, and judge Joe Ricciotti sided with LaMotta 97-95.

A-P-C League

TRURO, N. S., Jan. 28 — (CP) — Second-place Truro Bearcats clawed out a 11-5 win over league-leading New Glasgow Rangers in a regular game of the A.P.C. Senior Hockey League scheduled here tonight.

PICTOU, N. S., Jan. 28 — (CP) — Pictou Maripacs swamped Antigonish Bulldogs 10-3 tonight in a free-scoring A.P.C. senior hockey league tilt.

Covehead Wins

The Covehead Flyers defeated the West End Crescents 5-2 in a fast wide-open game at Covehead Rink last week. K. MacDonald and C. MacDonald led the winners with two goals each while H. MacDonald had one. V. Deacon and Lloyd MacMillan scored for the losers.

Game Thursday

SYDNEY, N. S., Jan. 28 — (CP) — Sydney Millionaires and Moncton Hawks will play a postponed Maritime Major Hockey League game here Thursday, Sydney coach Cliff Roach announced tonight.

Lamoureux Seeking New Hockey Talent

Islanders coach Leo Lamoureux is in touch with officials of three American League Hockey clubs yesterday in attempts to secure the services of at least two players, it was learned here last night.

Coach Lamoureux is hopeful that something will be worked out within the next day or two. He will likely be in touch with the clubs again today. He is attempting to land forwards but will consider defencemen if they are available.

The short-handed Islanders received another jolt yesterday when it was learned that George McLagan had become ill with the flu. This leaves only 13 players available for tonight's game and possibly for the game tomorrow night at Saint John.

Also on the sidelines along with McLagan are Johnny Dutchak, Bonhomme and Jim MacKenzie.

Garrison Hockey League Meeting

A round robin series will be played in the Garrison Hockey League with each team playing every other squad once, it was decided last night at a G.H.L. meeting aboard the H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte.

It was also decided that the first and third and second and fourth place teams would meet in sudden-death semi-final games. The finals will be a best two out of three game affair. The play-offs are expected to be completed in mid-March.

This week Garrison hockey will be played on Thursday night with the Artillery meeting the Navy at 6:15. One hour later the Reece will meet the Sigs. Following the games there will be skating to the music of the Reece Band. During the meeting last night satisfaction was expressed over the success of the opening Garrison night last Friday.

Gallant Rink In Trophy Finals

The Dr. J. Chris Gallant rink last night won the right to enter the Provincial playdowns for the Regal Trophy when they defeated the O'Rourke rink 14-8 in the Charlottetown Curling Club.

Following is the personnel of the Dr. Gallant rink: Dr. J. C. Gallant, skip; Billy Acorn, lead; Jim Campbell, 2nd, stone; Jack MacDonald, mate.

Sport Briefs

QUEBEC, Jan. 28 — (CP) — Fernando Gagnon of Quebec tonight won a unanimous, but unpopular, 10-round decision over Johnny O'Brien of Boston in a bantam-weight contest.

BROOKLYN, Jan. 28 — (AP) — Brooklyn Dodgers and the city of Vero Beach, Fla., today signed a 21-year contract for use of the Dodgertown spring training base—one of the longest training pacts ever.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28 — (CP) — Nick Mickoski, 24-year-old left-winger who led New York Rangers in scoring last season, today was sent on loan to Cincinnati Mohawks of the American Hockey League. Winnipeg-born Mickoski has been in a slump, scoring only seven goals to date compared with 20 he tallied last season.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28 — (AP) — Alvin Dark, captain and shortstop of the National League champion New York Giants, has signed his 1952 contract, the club announced today. Dark, a sparkplug in the pennant drive, is the 16th Giant to come to terms.

M.M.H.L. Standings

	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
St. John	33	19	6	234	161	72
Charlottetown	28	28	5	199	204	61
Halifax	27	27	4	222	212	58
Gloucester	26	27	4	183	189	56
Moncton	22	28	6	168	212	50
Sydney	21	30	8	153	192	47

Saint John Ends Losing Streak To Score 6-2 Win Over Halifax St. Mary's

SAINT JOHN, N.S., Jan. 28 — (CP) — Saint John Beavers emerged from their slump and halted Halifax St. Mary's upsurge in the Maritime Major Hockey League by trimming the Saints 6-2 tonight before 1,668 fans in the only "Big Six" game of the night.

The win left Beavers 11 points ahead of second place Charlottetown Islanders, with Halifax still only three points farther down the ladder.

Ken Watson led the Saint John scorers with two goals and two assists. Bill McCracken had one and two. Ron Hurst, Matt Mesich and Al Buchanan also tallied for Beavers. Halifax scorers were Bill Warwick and Bill Ford.

The first period ended 1-1. Then Saint John counted three without a reply in the second. The fans got their money's worth. It was a fast, rugged and wide-open game with Beavers hitting especially hard. The stops — 34 by Jimmy Strachan of Halifax and 16 by Hal Gordon — didn't indicate the closeness of play. Often after storming into Beaver territory the Saints were unable to get shots away. Strachan gave a hot performance and stopped lots of dangerous firing.

Watson opened the scoring in one of the prettiest plays of the season here. Feinting first one defenceman and then the other, he went between them to tally a 15-footer.

Warwick tied the count by lifting the puck over Gordon when the latter went down after coming out to smother the rubber. A misconduct was meted to Howie Lee for protesting too vehemently against an official interpretation of the icing-the-puck rule. His Saint John mate, Johnny Arundel, had just finished serving a minor. As he left the box he followed the iced puck, and the whistle sounded although the puck apparently was fired before Arundel got started.

Hurst made it 2-1 for Saint John early in the second after taking a forward pass and splitting the defence. Near the half way mark Watson shot his second on a passout while the Saints had only four men on the ice against five Beavers. Mesich backhanded the last goal of the session following a solo end to end rush.

What seemed like a Halifax goal was vetoed because it came after the play had been called back. The third period scoring began with McCracken's goal after a three-way play in front of the cage. At 17:04, Ford took a forward pass, eluded the defence and coasted in for the second and last Halifax tally. Confronted by only one enemy defenceman, Buchanan counted in the last minute of play.

The period scores were 0-0, 0-5, 6-1. Engelbert Miller led the Mercyrus with two goals while Bully Sullivan, Billy Gibson, Tom Pollock and Billy Dowe scored one each.

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Milton Hornets 9, Covehead 5

The Milton Hornets defeated the Covehead Red Wings 9-5 last night in a regular North River League game played at North River Rink.

Gerald Crews turned in a hat trick performance to score three goals in leading the winners at goal. Team-mate Leith Andrews scored two goals and assisted on one.

Willie Wheatley and defenceman Keith Carmichael each scored twice for the Red Wings. Jim Ayers scored their other goal. The game was refereed by Art Perry and Amos Gorveatt.

It was the league leaders' first win in their last 10 games, which included three ties. Halifax — Goal, Strachan; defence, Drainville, Nixon, Weaver, Bergeron; forwards, Thompson, MacKenzie, Morrow, Lewis, McArthur, Ford, B. Watson, Warwick, Campbell.

Saint John — Goal, Gordon; defence, C. Smelle, Mesich, Lee, Arundel; forwards, McCracken, K. Watson, Buchanan, Ubrlaco, T. Smelle, Hurst, Nicolle, Blair, Mulligan, Langelle.

Referees—Pete Mill and Larry Heffernan.

SUMMARY
First Period
 1—Saint John, Watson (Arundel, McCracken) ... 11:00
 2—Halifax, Warwick (Weaver, McArthur) ... 13:11
 Penalties — Morrow 15, Arundel 8:39, Lee misconduct 10:45, McArthur 13:18, Mesich 13:18.

Second Period
 3—Saint John, Hurst (Ubrlaco) 1:47
 4—Saint John, Watson (Langelle, McCracken) ... 9:08
 5—Saint John, Mesich 19:48
 Penalties — Warwick 3:00, McArthur 8:09, Buchanan 8:09, Weaver 8:50, Campbell 19:15, Arundel 19:15.

Third Period
 6—Saint John, McCracken (Watson, Buchanan) 6:37
 7—Halifax, Ford (Watson) 17:04
 8—Saint John, Buchanan (C. Smelle) 19:34
 Penalties — None.
 Stops: Strachan 15 11 8-34
 Gordon 3 5 8-16

Crescents Win Game

The West End Crescents came through with two third period goals to defeat the York Rangers 4-2 in a league game played in Covehead Rink last week. The win moved the Crescents into a three way tie for first place with Sandy's Ramblers and the Covehead Flyers.

D. MacKinnon, V. Deacon, G. Shaw and B. Marshall scored for the Crescents. Claude Lewis and D. Watts scored for the Ramblers. Ernest Bell in the Crescents cage was outstanding.

Mercurys Win

LIEGE, Belgium, Jan. 28 — (CP) — Edmonton Mercurys tonight defeated a Liege hockey team reinforced by Canadian players living in Europe 6-0 in an exhibition game.

The period scores were 0-0, 0-5, 6-1. Engelbert Miller led the Mercyrus with two goals while Bully Sullivan, Billy Gibson, Tom Pollock and Billy Dowe scored one each.

Monthly Meeting

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SEA CADETS

Inspection this evening by Director of Sea Cadets, CMDR. D. ELLIOTT

Be on board this evening 7 p.m.—Uniform

Signed,
 J. D. Smallwood,
 Commanding Officer Kent Corps.

FORUM EVENTS—Jan. 28 to Feb. 2

Monday — CHILDREN'S SKATING — 4 to 5:30
 GENERAL SKATING — 8 to 10:00

Tuesday—HOCKEY — HALIFAX — 8:30

Wednesday — GENERAL SKATING — 8 to 10:00

Thursday — Children's Skating — 4 to 5:30

Friday—Children's Skating — 4 to 5:30

Friday—HOCKEY — SAINT JOHN — 8:30

Saturday — SKATING — 2:30 to 4:30
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