

Garrison Hockey League Opens With Doubleheader

Past, rugged, and at times ragged hockey was the order of the day as the Signals turned back Navy 3 to 1 and Recce beat Artillery 4 to 2 in the opening doubleheader of the Garrison Hockey League at the Forum last night.

Though losing, the short-handed Artillery team was the standout of the evening. Only 8 players, including a borrowed goalie, they gave the fans many a thrill as Rodgers, former S. D. U. star, and Harry Downe, repeatedly threatened. However, the superior manpower and the strength of the famous "Mount Stewart Line" proved too much. In the opener the Signals team, last year's Garrison League winners were not up to the form they showed last spring. But they were still too strong for a hard working Navy squad.

LINEUPS:
Signals — Goal, Weeks; defence, D. Nicholson, J. McIsaac, L. McDonald, B. Burke. Forwards, W. Dunn, E. Perry, K. Cudmore, W. LeClair, F. Kennedy, B. Lee, J. Villard, S. MacKay.
Navy — Goal, Sheppard; defence, Carmichael, Arbiue, Bulman Saunders; Forwards, Judson, Nicolle, Clarke, Colwell, MacKenzie.
Recce — Goal, Sheppard; defence, MacRae, Birt, MacDonald, Cheverie, Gallant, Gorvette, Eldershaw; forwards, R. McAdam, W. McAdam, G. Kelly, R. McIntyre, A. McIntyre, E. Blanchard, A. Weatherbie, Small.
Artillery — Goal, Jay; defence, Downe, Dalzell; forwards, Nicholson, Rodgers, Lewis, Matheson, McInnis.
Referees—R. Rogers and Keith Hooper.

FIRST GAME
First Period
 1—Navy, Colwell
 2—Signals, Dunn (Kennedy)
 Penalties — McInnis.
Second Period
 3—Signals, Kennedy (Dunn, Perry)
 Penalties — None.
Third Period
 4—Signals, Lee (McDonald)
 Penalties — Arbiue, McIsaac, Nicholson.

SECOND GAME
First Period
 1—Artillery, Nicholson (Lewis)
 Penalties — None.
Second Period
 2—Recce, Blanchard (McAdam)
 3—Recce, McAdam (Kelly)
 4—Recce, Kelly (McAdam)
 Penalties — Cheverie, Weatherbie.
Third Period
 6—Recce, McAdam (Kelly)
 Penalties — MacRae, Birt (2).



Was "Bucko" Trainor, captain of the Charlottetown Islanders hockey team and one of the Provincines few contributions to National Hockey League circles in the past few years, was a really going concern for his team on Saturday night at Halifax when he paced them to a close 4-3 victory over the Saintmarians, the Islanders closest threat for league honors.

Bucko, who is an unusually good team player and a master in the art of stick handling, really made these accomplishments pay off on Saturday when he set up the passes for two Islanders' goals, and made a rink-length solo effort to score the winning goal. Press reports stated that Trainor's final tally "was a classy piece of work as he intercepted a Halifax pass in his own end, outdistanced his pursuers, went around Halifax defenseman Frank Grabowski and boomed an ankle-high shot into the far corner of the net."

One of Trainor's greatest assets to his team is not only the fact that he is a great playmaker, but always turns in the same solid performance night after night. He is one of those few hockey players who would rather set up his teammates in a scoring effort than score himself, particularly if he thinks the other guy is in a better position to score than he is. His play always gives the impression that as long as the goal is scored that is the main thing with a "who cares who gets it" attitude.

His scoring record this season bears out only too well his value to the team. According to the latest statistics, Bucko is in fifth place in the League's scoring race with a total of 41 points. Although he has gotten his share of goals, 12, his assists are more than double that number, 29. In fact, that style of team play is one of the reasons why the local pucksters are heading the Big Four loop today, and have been all season.

Frankie Bathgate, another pivot man for Islanders, has one more assist than Bucko and with 15 goals to go with it, is third in the scoring race (according to statistics up to and including Saturday night's game) with a total of 45 points. But it is still left to Islanders little Bruno "Red" Favero to lead the honors for Islanders in the points department. The red-hatched speedy right winger, who has led the loop a number of times this season, is telling Halifax Saint Mary's ace sharp-shooter Bill Watson by three points for top honors. Watson has 18 goals and 32 assists for a total of 50 points, while Favero has a total of 47, made up of 20 goals and 27 assists. Although this column was written before the results of last night's game were known between Islanders and Moncton at Amherst, if "Red" had a good night, who knows, maybe he is the top dog once again.

With four Islanders' players among the six leading scorers, Johnny Horeck being the fourth with 40 points for sixth place, the locals have also the distinguished honor of being the leaders in the penalty department as well. They have chalked up the tremendous total of 733 minutes in a total of 33 games, a margin of 321 over their nearest rivals, Saint John Beavers who have 412. That is a big total, and when figured out to an average of minutes per game it amounts to 22.21. Although the statistics don't speak for the defencemen who more than likely

Islanders Hammer Hawks For 5-1 Win At Amherst; Near-Capacity House

AMHERST, N. S., Dec. 11—(CP)—Charlottetown Islanders pumelled tail-end Moncton Hawks 5-1 on neutral ice in this border town tonight in a regular fixture of the Maritime Senior Hockey League.

As in last Saturday's game at Halifax, the Islanders' line of Favero-Trainor-Pawlyshyn set the pace. Islanders dominated the play in the first and third periods and goalie Hal Gordon took the brunt of the attack in the second session when Hawks showed their only burst of fighting spirit. Unusually high temperatures and a near-capacity crowd made ice conditions slow. The game was halted at one stage while the players cleared the fog. Start of the game was delayed when the damp fog caused 10 of the big lights to explode in the centre of the arena.

The veteran Islander and former pro, Bucko Trainor took the hero for the Charlottetown team and his stick handling exhibitions drew the applause of the crowd during the entire game. He registered two of his team's goals and set up two more. Islanders scored the only goal of the first period when the fast skating Clements-Beaton-Beaudry line tallied at 3:34. Islanders were all over Hawks in this session but Les Colvin turned aside 19 shots on goal.

In the second period, the league leaders, with Trainor and Walter Pawlyshyn leading the attack, increased their lead to three goals. Red Favero shot the second at the 15-minute mark while Trainor fired the third two minutes later on a smart play with Pawlyshyn. Jackie Morrow ruined Gordon's shutout chances midway in the third when he took a pass from Demchuk at the goal mouth.

Trainor scored the picture goal of the evening taking a pass from Pawlyshyn at his own blue line and stick-handling through for a close-in shot that gave Colvin little chance. Less than a minute later he worked his way into the Moncton territory and passed to Favero for the fifth island goal. The game was fast and clean despite the soft ice with only four minor penalties.

First Period
 1—Charlottetown, Clements (Beaton, Beaudry) 3:34

lead the individual list in that department, Favero leads the leading scorers in the penalty bracket with a total of 68. Islanders still head the loop in the goal tending department too. Young Hal Gordon, who has led the loop since the start of the season, is still the custodian who holds the best average, and a good one it is too. Gordon has only let in an average of 2.72 goals per game in 33 played. He also has the signal honor of being the only goalie in the league to score a shut-out this season. Eddie D'Acoust of Halifax is next in line with an average of 3.12, while Saint John's Dennis Brodeur is third with 3.88. Les Colvin of cellar-dwelling Moncton Hawks, has an average of 4.39 for the fourth place position.

Looking over the whole situation, you certainly have to give the Islanders credit. With the exception of Favero's three-point deficit in the scoring race, the Islanders lead the loop in every department, whether it be good or bad, and that it something that few teams can boast about. Fortunately their credit side of the statistics shows a considerable balance over the debit side, so who cares if they are leading in penalties too. It just goes to show that they can still get them and win more than their share in other honors.

Beavers Play Here Tonight

Charlottetown Islanders and Saint John Beavers will be the two big opponents who will clash here tonight over Forum ice at 8:30 in a scheduled Maritime Senior Hockey League fixture.

Both teams, who won their respective contests in games played last night, will be coming out strong to further increase their league standings and keep their winning efforts in vogue. There should be plenty of action before a final verdict is reached when these two clubs meet tonight.

Major T. B. Rogers Issues Statement

The following is a statement received last night from Major T. B. Rogers, ex-President of the P. B. Rogers Hockey Club, Inc.: "In order to clarify the hockey situation within the Islanders Hockey Club, I wish to make the following statement. I have been approached and asked by many shareholders of the Club, what action has been taken in regard to various letters that have appeared in the press concerning the above mentioned situation. I have asked the new President, Dr. P. C. Dougan, to call a meeting of all shareholders for Thursday night, December 14th, at 7:30, to be held at the Whelan Memorial Hall.

Glance Bay And Vics In 3-3 Tie

NORTH SYDNEY, N.S., Dec. 11—(CP)—Glance Bay Miners managed to score a goal late in the third period here tonight to hold last place Northside Victorias to a 3-3 tie in a regular Cape Breton Senior Hockey League fixture.

Penalties — Imont, Pawlyshyn.
Second Period
 2—Charlottetown, Favero (Pawlyshyn, Trainor) 15:47
 3—Charlottetown, Trainor (Pawlyshyn, McLagan) 17:57
 Penalty—Favero.
Third Period
 4—Moncton, Morrow (Demchuk) 10:42
 5—Charlottetown, Trainor (Pawlyshyn) 17:28
 6—Charlottetown, Favero (Trainor) 18:10
 Penalty — Ready.

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30 Students Attending Annual Hockey School

Referee George Hayes of the National Hockey League, got the Third Annual Hockey School for Coaches and Referees away to a flying start here last night at the Charlottetown Hotel when he lectured to some 30 students from all of the three Maritime Provinces on hockey rules and refereeing. The session, dealing with a discussion of the rules of the game with interpretations of some of the controversial points in rules and refereeing, lasted for over three hours and covered the bulk of the most important rules and recent rule changes. During the session and at its conclusion, open discussions were held to clear up any uncovered points in the rules or individual problems that various students cared to have discussed.

Following his free and easy way of discussing the rules with the students in the same manner that made him so popular here last year when he headed the school for the first time, Mr. Hayes covered every inch of the ground in a friendly and precise manner that couldn't fail to get the points in question across to the candidates. Adding to the interest of the class with his unique manner of inducing little incidents into his talks that have taken place in the big leagues with a direct bearing on a particular rule in question, Hayes brought a humorous vein into the subjects that broke the monotony and made the session not only an instructive one but an enjoyable one as well.

Following his formal introduction to the class by Brigadier W. W. Reid at the start of the session, Mr. Hayes expressed his pleasure at being back at the School again this year. He said "we had a very enjoyable and successful school last year, and I feel sure that this year's will be as equally enjoyable and successful. Now lets get at this rule book and see what makes it tick." An with these brief words the opening session was on.

The School activities will be continued on today and tomorrow, when Leo Lamoureux, coach of the Islanders Hockey Club will join forces with Mr. Hayes as assistant instructor, and will handle most of the details concerning the practical demonstrations on hockey technique, coaching, training and conditioning.

HOCKEY—Tuesday and Wednesday

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Next drill will be January 10th, 1951 due to the holiday season and U.N.T.D.'s exams and holidays.

Commanding Officer,
 H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte.

FORUM DATES—DEC. 11 to 16

TUESDAY—CHILDREN'S SKATING—4 TO 5:30
HOCKEY—ST. JOHN, vs. ISLANDERS—8:30.
WEDNESDAY — HOCKEY — 8:30
SYDNEY vs. ISLANDERS.
THURSDAY—SKATING—3 TO 10
FRIDAY—CHILDREN'S SKATING—4 TO 5:30
NIGHT—KINSMEN'S SKATE—RECCE BAND
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NIGHT—SKATING—8 TO 10.

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