

Islanders Go Ten Games Without Defeat

McMeekin Gets First Shutout As Atlantics Win 2-0 From Millionaires

SYDNEY, (CP)—Goalie Roy McMeekin of Halifax Atlantics racked up his first shutout of the season in 60 starts here Monday night before 924 paid fans, blanking Sydney Millionaires, cellar-dwellers of the Maritime Major Hockey League, 2-0.

It was a wide-open affair, both clubs skating fast and Sydney firing in the last period.

Bob Bowness tipped home a goal-mouth pass from Frank King for the first goal at 18:55 of the opening period. After a scoreless second frame, captain Bill Watson stickhandled to the Sydney defence, used them as a screen and backhanded a shot past goalie Nick Pidsodny.

Millionaires outshot Halifax 33-26 and were the victims of some tough luck around the crease. In the second period after McMeekin made one hard save, Alex Birblow lifted the puck over the body of the sprawled goalie, Joe Lepine skated in behind the goalie and cleared before it rolled over the line.

Sydney had some big chances when Lepine, Kenny Lauffman and Dugger McNeil sat out minor penalties and they managed to organize some strong power

plays, but McMeekin won full credit for the shutout with some fine saves.

Both clubs were shorthanded through suspensions. Sydney's Ronnie Rowe started a three-game sentence and Halifax winger Hughie Campbell is in the midst of a six-game ban.

Line-ups
Halifax — Goal, McMeekin; defence, Bloom, Hayes, McLaughlin, Lepine; forwards, Watson, Goold, Hollett, Lauffman, King, Bowness, McPhee, McNeil.

Sydney — Goal, Pidsodny; defence, Marineau, Whalen, MacIntyre, Tyshko; forwards, Birukow, Morrow, Hildebrand, Robertson, McDonagh, Horeck, Hill, Pirie.

SUMMARY
First Period
1—Halifax, Bowness (King) 18:55
Penalty — Lepine 8:12

Second Period
Scoring—None.
Penalties — McNeil 9:11, Tyshko 13:32.

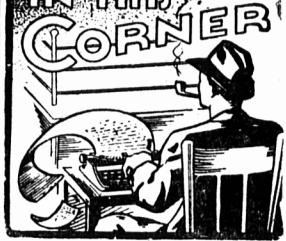
Third Period
2—Halifax, Watson 7:32
Penalties — Lauffman 9:32.

STOPS:
McMeekin 13 10 8-32
Pidsodny 10 8 8-26



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Kept Islanders Unbeaten Streak Intact



The Prince Edward Island hockey fans who sat in on last night's game between the Islanders and the Glace Bay Miners may have seen referee Charlie Good referee his last game on Charlottetown ice. If they did then they will remember him as he has been practically every time he handled a game here—capable, fair, unhesitating and seemingly always able to keep the game under control. Good's work at the local Forum this year has been of the highest calibre and we will say without fear of contradiction that it was the best officiating to be witnessed here since the Islanders came into Maritime Major League Hockey.



The line of Marcel Clements (left), Hub Beaudry (centre) and Ronnie Hurst (right) came up with an outstanding performance last night as the Islanders defeated the Glace Bay Miners 2-1.



The Islanders scoring, Beaudry and Hurst set up Clements for the first goal and Hub came back to split the defense and draw goalie Don Lockhart to account for the winning tally.



But in addition to scoring the three players were terrific in every department. Clements was skating with his early season drive and all three were used extensively in penalty killing duties.

Come From Behind To Shade Glace Bay 2-1 In Well Played Game Here

The ten game winning streak set by the Murph Chamberlain Islanders of 1950 now stands in serious jeopardy of being broken by the rampaging Islanders of 1953 who last night defeated the Glace Bay Miners 2-1 for their tenth straight game without a defeat.

Led by Hub "The Tireless" Beaudry, the sizzling Islanders came from behind to win last night's game from the scrappy Miners who gave one of their best displays of the season on Charlottetown ice.

Second period goals by Marcel Clements and Beaudry were enough to keep the Islanders' unbeaten streak intact. From a defensive point of view the great work of goalie Al Millar in the third period kept the Miners' scoring down to the bachelorette count.

As a result of the victory the Islanders have won nine and tied one in their last ten games. In their last twenty-one games the Islanders have lost only two while winning sixteen and tying three.

While the Islanders were defeating the pesky Miners the Halifax Atlantics were taking the measure of the lowly Sydney Millionaires. As a result the Islanders failed to gain further ground on the faltering League leaders. The Islanders trail Halifax by three points.

The smooth skating centremen picked up a loose puck on the Glace Bay blue line and stickhandled his way through the Bay defence of Bill Burega and Bob Cooper. He skated to the left of the net before cutting across in front and backhanding the disc into the cage vacated by Don Lockhart who was drawn out well past the crease.

The hockey in the 16th minute between the three goals was the best of the game. The Islanders forced the play and Don Lockhart in the Bay net had to be sharp to keep the score as low as he did.

Playing coach Macey pulled Lockhart in favor of the extra forward for one minute and forty-five seconds left in the game. The Miners got the draw from the face-off but failed to keep the puck in the Islanders end.

For almost 30 seconds the Islanders roared around inside the Glace Bay blue line. Clements and Beaudry missed open nets on their shots and several other Islanders drives were blocked at the goal mouth of the goalless cage by Bay Forwards.

Millar of the Islanders had his big moments in the final session. Kenny Watson, playing the first game of the season here, Hub Macey and Pop Backer rode right in on Millar but found the custodian unbeatable.

Big Steve Brklacich was again a standout on the Islanders defence and he was given good assistance by Larry Travis, Gus Gustavson and George McLellan. Watson and Macey were the best of the Glace Bay forwards while Backer defended young Neil Amadio turned in a sharp effort.

Cape Traverse Rovers Win First Game Of Semi-Finals From Albany St. Pats 8-3

Cape Traverse Rovers won the first game of the semi-finals from the Albany St. Pats at the Bedeque Rink last night sending the tail-enders down to defeat by the score of 8-3. The Cape boys, who finished on top spot in the South Shore Hockey League took a 3-1 lead in the first period and were never headed. Noonan, classy Cape forward scored four goals. The game was rugged but clean, with few penalties handed out.

Line-ups
Cape Traverse — Goal, MacFarlane; defence, Cooper, Burega, Verrier, Amadio; forwards, MacKenzie, Macey, Miller, Backer, Bonhomme, McCracken, Raynak, Watson.

Albany — Goal, Millar; defence, Gustavson, Brklacich, McLellan, Travis; forwards, Whitlock, Hurst, Holdaway, Gordon, Wiseman, Beaudry, Powers, Pawlshyn, Clements.

Referee, Charlie Good, linesmen, Johnny Squarebriggs and Art Perry.

Good who resigned from the refereeing staff of the M. M. H. L. on Sunday, has agreed to finish out this week so that the M. M. H. L. executive may have time to find replacements. In an interview yesterday he stated that it was "a combination of events" which led him to resign. "It wasn't the fact that the games were hard to handle that I resigned," he continued. "Rather, I was just fed up. I haven't been feeling well for the past month and I am far underweight."

Princess Wales College strengthened their hold on second place in the Atlantic Basketball House League last night by defeating the Arabs 48-27 while the Abbies moved into a third place tie by squeezing out a 73-69 victory over Rays. The Arabs, Rays and the Abbies are tied for third place in the League standings.

John MacDougall led the Abbies to their victory by scoring 19 points each in the high scoring game. Marcel Berard with 14 points was runner-up.

The Abbies led 44-22 at the end of the first half but Rays came back strong in the last half. Wendall Gillis scored 26 points in the last half to lead the losers. Keither Dalziel scored 20 points and George Scantlebury 13.

February is play-off month. Before the month is over, many hockey play-offs will be completed, and the field will be narrowed down to the blue-bloods of the blades. The South Shore League is the first to start their play-offs. Their semi-finals get started this week, Cape Traverse, who finished on top, being pitted against the cellar-dwelling Albany St. Pats, and the Sum-Hi boys coming to grips with the Freetown Royals.

Shantz Signs To Pitch For Philadelphia Athletics

PHILADELPHIA, (CP)—Bobby Shantz signed a two-year contract Monday to pitch for Philadelphia Athletics for a total of more than \$50,000.

The five-foot-six-inch southpaw, most valuable player in the American League last season, thus becomes the highest-paid pitcher in the history of the Philadelphia American League baseball club. That includes Robert Moses Grove, long since voted into baseball's hall of fame.

The 27-year-old Shantz, smallest pitcher in Major League baseball, signed the new pact with club general manager Arthur Ehlert.

"Now I can stop worrying about money and concentrate on baseball," commented the little southpaw.

Asked about his left wrist, the one broken by a pitched ball last September, Shantz said: "I've forgotten all about that. It feels fine. I haven't thrown full speed yet, but that shouldn't be any trouble." The break was about four inches up from the wrist on the forearm. Shantz is confident that he can equal or better his 24-7 record of 1952.

Shantz exactly what the gamble was on both sides. "I told him flatly that he might have an even better year in 1953, and that on a one-year basis he could come here and sock me again. He decided to go for two years.

"We don't feel we've taken much of a gamble," said Art.

In addition to the continual trips back and forth between Charlottetown and Halifax has been hard on the official. "They never give you a chance to relax and forget about hockey," even for a short time," he said. Charlie added that he had nothing against the executive of the M. M. H. L. "Judge Hudson has stood behind us 100 per cent all season and he has done a good job."

Several years ago when the University of New Brunswick was dominating the basketball scenes in the Maritimes it would be ridiculous to think of the Saints playing U. N. B. in a league game. However, basketball has progressed so much at U. N. B. in the last three years that the shoe is now on the other foot. Saturday night the Saints had no competition as they raced through the University of New Brunswick team for a 93-43 victory.

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We hope our basketball girls will not be too discouraged because of that 47-6 drubbing they took from the R. C. A. F. W.D.'s Friday night. Murray's cherubs haven't had very much practice, and most of them are also short on experience. In fact, most of them are short, period. Considering all this, they didn't do so badly in their initial attempt. Keep right on shooting for baskets, kids, and some day you'll be swapping punch for punch with the best of them.

Local Curling Club Schedule

Following is the curling schedule for the Charlottetown Curling Club this evening:

7:00—Ice 1—Bill Burnett, R. C. Parent, Dr. Barrett, Doug McLeod vs. Louis Carver, F. Hobbs, Dr. MacEachern, Allison Tait.

Ice 2—Clifford MacDonald, D. O'Rourke, R. Jones, J. O'Rourke vs. D. E. MacDonald, D. Hill, Barry MacDonald, J. Cameron.

Islanders Club President Frank MacDonald, first vice president Forrest Clow and second vice president Walter Cox attended the Sunday meeting of the M. M. H. L. in New Glasgow. The Islanders representatives asked that the League allow each team to dress fifteen players for a game but were turned down on the issue with the other three clubs voting against the matter. The Islanders officials also informed the meeting that they would not return to Glace Bay until proper police protection was assured the players. Teddy Powers is still sporting bruises from all of his fans-players disturbance of Saturday night in the Bay.

Reardon's feat of scoring 35 points was especially hot in the second quarter when he fired five field goals. If he never scored a point it would still be worth the price of admission to watch Dorais handle the ball.

Joe Mullally had a terrific third quarter and although Joe is a short man as basketball players go he contributes a lot of points in a game that is supposed to belong to the tall boys. Pete Dunphy, Earl MacKinnon and Johnny Taylor all turned in good efforts on the forward line while back on guard Bob Mooney, Cy McIsaac and Clarence MacDonald were practically unpassable.

Our curling lads bowed out to the Charlottetown rinks this year, and will not be going to Saskatoon. Most of the youthful curlers lacked experience, as nearly all of last year's rinks which finished 1-2 in the Island finals have bid farewell to Summerside High school, David Silliphant and Gus Jenkins were left of last year's victorious teams, and Jenkins was ill, so couldn't make the trip to Charlottetown. Young Silliphant's rink did pretty well, losing to the Capital City squads by 9-8 and 9-7 scores.

As far as we're concerned Friday's hockey match between Halifax and the Islanders was the best of the year. We'd say the sell-out crowd really got their money's worth. We'll have to admit that, as a coach, "Murph" Chamberlain has got clear of Lyle Wiseman after seeing him the first two games. We thought he was just cluttering up the ice. But, brother, has Wiseman improved! Just about tops in our book now.

Local Rink Loses In Third Round

In third round play for the Chateaux International at the Quebec International Bonspiel yesterday, a Charlottetown rink skipped by P. R. McLaine was defeated by a Quebec Victoria Rink skipped by Fred Blackadder 16-1.

Tonight is a big night for the Boosters Club. For weeks and weeks the members of the Boosters Club and the members of the Minstrel Show cast have been preparing for the show which they will give at Prince of Wales College this evening and tomorrow evening. They have spent untold hours of work in rehearsing and preparing for the show which is reputed to be the best of its kind ever produced here. We have no doubt but that the unselfish sacrifices they have made in the last several weeks will be rewarded as they should be.

Juvenile Hockey Practice Tonight

The Juvenile Islanders, who won the opening game of the City Juvenile Hockey League yesterday, will hold a practice at the Forum this evening. The practice will be held at seven o'clock.

Horse Races At New Glasgow

Races were again held on the New Glasgow River Saturday afternoon, January 31st. Three classes were raced and the fans saw some exciting finishes.

Following is the summary:

Class A—
Royal Jim (Folland) 1:22
You'll See (Andrews) 1:23
Miss Hazel Grove (Smith) 3 dms 1
Julia Clegg (Nicholson) 4:34

Winning horse owned by Fred Folland.

Class B—
Sonny B (E. Bernard) 1:21
Bud's Echo (Smith) 2:12
Billy Aubrey (C. Smith) 3:33

Winning horse owned by Emmett Bernard.

Class C—
Sea Plant (C. Smith) 1:23
Eddie Dale (Bernard) 2:12

Juvenile Islanders In 4-2 Win Over Juvenile P.W.C.

The Juvenile Islanders led by Angie Carroll with two goals and an assist defeated the Prince of Wales College juveniles 4-2 in the first game of the newly formed Juvenile League yesterday. Other scorers for the Islanders were Gregor and Hughes while MacLeod and MacLean scored for P.W.C.

Hockey Scores

WATERVILLE, Me. (AP)—Larry Griffin of Lewiston, Maine's former welterweight champion, won a split decision over Claude Fortin of Montreal in a 10-round bout Saturday night. Griffin weighed 149, seven pounds more than Fortin.

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TUESDAY—
HOCKEY—North River "B" League
Winsloe vs. Covehead
Hampshire vs. New Haven

WEDNESDAY—
HOCKEY—North River 8:15
Cornwall vs. Covehead
Forum—Garrison Lergue 7:00
28 LAA vs. Signals
At Georgetown—
Georgetown vs. Murray Harbor
Basketball—At S. D. U.
S. D. U. vs. Abbies
ISLANDERS AT MINERS

THURSDAY—
HOCKEY—Forum 6:00
Garrison League—
Reece vs. Navy

FRIDAY—
ISLANDERS AT HALIFAX
Hockey—North River "B" League
North River vs. Nine Mile Creek
New Haven vs. Covehead
Basketball—At P.W.C.
Rays vs. P.W.C.
Arabs vs. S. D. U.

SATURDAY—
HOCKEY—FORUM
ISLANDERS vs. HALIFAX
At Georgetown
Georgetown vs. Glasgow Road
At O'Leary—
Parkdale vs. O'Leary

Hockey Scores

By The Canadian Press
Maritime Major
Glace Bay 1 Charlottetown 1
Sydney 0 Halifax 2
New Brunswick Senior
Saint John 3 Moncton 6
Ontario Senior
Sarnia 9 Hamilton 3
APC Senior
Truro 4 Pictou 8

Scored Pair

J. Stewart of the Spitfires in the Pee-wee bracket of the Minor Hockey League scored two goals Saturday night as the Spitfires played to a 2-2 draw with the Ravens. In yesterday's issue his named appeared as J. Storey.

Whitlock And Millar Continue To Head Their Departments In League

HALIFAX, (CP)—Charlottetown Islanders pressing hard on the heels of Halifax Atlantics for the top spot in the Maritime Major Hockey League, have two big assets in forward Buck Whitlock and goalie Al Millar.

Whitlock is still well out in front of the scoring race. Official league statistics covering games up to Jan. 30 show Whitlock, with 92 points, holding a 13-point edge over the Atlantics' Billy Watson.

Millar leads comfortably in netminders' averages and his five shutouts have been equalled only by Glace Bay Miners' Don Lockhart.

Recce-Artillery In 4-All Draw

Past action, good playing and flaring tempers all combined to provide fans with an evening of excitement at the Forum as Recce and Artillery played to a four-all draw in the Garrison Hockey League recently.

For the Recce the scorers were Blanchard, Douglas, Pullman and Gallant, with assists going to Richard, Cudmore and Blanchard. The Artillery goals were racked up by Ledwell, Dobron, Walton and MacEachern, MacFarlane and Dalziel drawing an assist each.

Hockey Scores

By The Canadian Press
Maritime Major
Glace Bay 1 Charlottetown 1
Sydney 0 Halifax 2
New Brunswick Senior
Saint John 3 Moncton 6
Ontario Senior
Sarnia 9 Hamilton 3
APC Senior
Truro 4 Pictou 8

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THE GROWN-UPS 8 to 10

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HOCKEY

In The GEORGETOWN RINK
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4th
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The first game of playoffs. Game starts at 8:30. One hour skate after game.

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