

Beavers Win League Semi-final With 5-1 Victory Over Miners

SAINT JOHN, N. B., March 31.—(CP)—Saint John Beavers won their Maritime Major Hockey League semi-final tonight, beating Glace Bay Miners 5-1 and taking the best-of-seven series 4-1. Beavers will oppose Halifax St. Mary's in the final playoffs.

A crowd of more than 3,000—the biggest of the season at the Forum here—watched the elimination of Glace Bay.

Dusty Blair shot a brace and assisted goals by playing coach Peanuts O'Flaherty and Nic Mechie. Ed Mulligan fired the other Saint John goal. The John Glace Bay marker was scored by Dutch Delmonte early in the second.

Beavers To Stay

An announcement over the loud-speaker system informed the fans that Beavers, despite financial troubles, will continue in the playoffs. The announcement came from the citizens' committee which has been trying to solve the club's money problems. Previously, the team had been reported operating on almost a day to day basis.

Beavers lacked two stalwarts tonight, both injured in Friday's game at Glace Bay. Al Buchanan, winger with a badly broken leg, will be out the rest of the season. So may Bill McCracken, another winger, who suffered a shoulder separation.

There was lots of hooking, holding, elbowing and tripping in the first period, when O'Flaherty joined the fray for only a few seconds but long enough to open the scoring. He feinted a defenceman out of position and shot from about 15 feet out.

Blair, who had assisted O'Flaherty, made it 2-0 in nice play with Howie Lee after the left backchecked Len Haley. Each team was short a man at the time.

Nicole was serving time left over from a first period minor when Delmonte tallied for Glace Bay, the puck having landed on his stick as Saint John tried to shoot it down the ice. The goal was the only shot at Hal Gordon in

the first 12 minutes of the middle frame.

A pass from Matt Mesich preceded Blair's second tally, a blazing 30-foot backhander. About eight minutes later Blair and Nicole sped through the whole Glace Bay team with fast, short passes, Nick counting on Blair's rebound.

Play was generally ragged with both teams tired, and the Nicole-Blair-Mulligan line was the only one showing speed.

Most of the pressure in the first 15 minutes of the final period came from Miners but the only score in this session was Mulligan's as Bob Cooper of Glace Bay sat out a holding penalty.

Saint John was awarded a penalty shot for the infraction. Blair took it and missed. Sheldon Bloomer received a misconduct for arguing the referee's decision.

Glace Bay: Goal, Arneil; defence, Bloomer, Myketyk, Cooper, MacBride; forwards, Windley, Macey, Chorley, Haley, Wywrot, Leger, Delmonte, Dalgleish.

Saint John: Goal, Gordon; defence, Lee, Arundel, C. Smelle, Mesich; forwards, O'Flaherty, Ubrico, T. Smelle, Meldrum, Hurst, Nicole, Blair, Mulligan, Watson, Langelle.

Referees: Paul Moreau and Aurel Turgeon.

First Period
1—Saint John, O'Flaherty, (Watson, Blair) 4:42
2—Saint John, Blair, (Mulligan, Lee) 12:34

Penalties: Ubrico, 2:21, Leger 5:58, C. Smelle 10:41, Cooper 11:24, 14:15, Nicole 19:50.

Second Period
3—Glace Bay, Delmonte, (Windley, Cooper) 3:00
4—Saint John, Blair, (Mesich) 8:24
5—Saint John, Nicole, (Blair, Lee) 16:52

Penalty: Mesich 6:01.

Third Period
6—Saint John, Mulligan, (Arundel) 17:46
Penalties: Mulligan 12:23, Langelle 13:22, MacBride 14:52, Cooper 17:23, Bloomer (misconduct) 17:23.

Stops:—
Arneil 8:10 5-23
Gordon 5:3 8-16

Jonquiere Aces Tie Series For Allan Cup

PEMBROKE, Ont., March 31.—(CP)—Two unassisted goals in overtime tonight gave Jonquiere Aces a 5-3 victory over Pembroke Lumber Kings in the Eastern Allan Cup hockey playdowns.

The victory for the Northeastern Quebec club tied the best-of-five Eastern semi-final series 1-1. Kings won the first game here Saturday night 3-2.

Aces came from behind three times to tie the score and force an extra session. Kings took a 1-0 lead in the first frame and led 3-2 after the second before forward Gerry Gagnon tied it 3-3 while Kings were short-handed late in the final frame.

Bob Mudge's goal at 3:19 of the overtime period proved to be the winner. Jules Racette matched his second-period goal with a second in overtime. Paul Gagnon was the other Jonquiere scorer.

Fred Giesbrecht, Jim Maxwell and Jack Cartwright shared the Pembroke scoring.

Says Bruins Can Square Series If They Stay Awake

BOSTON, March 31.—(AP)—Coach Lin Patrick said today that if his awakened Boston Bruins just retain their new-found speed and hustle they can square their Stanley Cup semi-final series with Montreal's Canadiens tomorrow night in the Garden.

After being outscored 9-1 in the first two contests in Montreal, Boston made a few line-up changes for Sunday night's third game and looked great while stopping the Canadiens 4-1. The best-of-seven series now stands 2-1 for Montreal.

While veteran defenseman Hal Lavoe sparked the Bostonians' attack Sunday night, many other Bruins could be singled out for praise. Youngsters Bob Armstrong and Leo Labine were big in their game after coming up from the Hershey farm in the American Hockey League.

The Canadiens—who like Boston took the day off today because of lack of ice—have their work cut out for them from here in because of injuries.

The loss of centre Kenny Mosdell with leg fractures suffered in the second game has forced a realignment of Montreal forwards which has weakened their attack. He is the second centre the club has lost—Johnny McCormack having suffered a broken arm late in the regular season.

Exhibition Baseball

(Associated Press)
At St. Petersburg
Detroit (A) 0 3 1
New York (A) 3 9 1
Gray, Foytack (7), McLeland (8) and Batts; Schaeffer, Miller (8) and Berra, Houk (7).
At Clearwater
St. Louis (N) 8 9 2
Philadelphia (N) 7 12 4
(Game called early to allow Philadelphia to catch train)
Presko, Schmidt (6) and Rice, Fusselman (5); Fossel, Miller (3), Drews (5), Hansen (7) and Burgess, Lopata (7).
At Memphis, Tenn.
Boston (A) vs. Memphis (SA) cancelled rally.

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IN THIS CORNER

The hockey spotlight this week will turn to the younger players and to the juveniles in particular. The Abegweit juveniles who won the New Brunswick-Prince Edward Island title will meet the Halifax Toppers on either the last of this week or the first next for the Maritime Crown. Arrangements with the M. A. H. A. for the opening game had not been completed yesterday but it was stated that there was a possibility that the first game could be played here on Saturday night.

This year's Abegweit juveniles are probably the best that have represented the province in a number of years. Their 18-9 win over the New Brunswick champions demonstrated that they have a powerful offensive squad, the spark-plug of which is young Forbes Kennedy. Kennedy's eleven goal performance against Bathurst will no doubt make him a marked man in the coming series.

If the will to win will bring a juvenile crown then the Abegweits should win it in a walk for the majority of team's practices throughout the winter was held either early in the morning or late at night. We know of many mornings when Art Perry and his juveniles trudged to the rink before practice. As a matter of fact we know of one young fellow, Billy MacLean, who fell asleep on the bench beside his phone one morning while waiting to call another player.

It is nothing more than the love of the game that makes young players do things like that. It is a common practise among junior and juvenile players throughout the country and most of the players in the bigger leagues have all gone through the same experiences. It was on one such morning that a fellow named Hank Goldup was spotted by the Toronto Maple Leafs. One of the higher officials in the Leafs organization sat in on an early morning practise and was so impressed with Goldup's work that the then young player was signed. Goldup later went on to a pro career with the Leafs and the New York Rangers.

Whether or not the Saint John Beavers will be able to continue in the M. A. H. L. play-offs seems quite a question. If they should win last night then they should be set for the finals against the Halifax Saints. The first two games of the finals are slated for Saint John and these contests should draw good attendances. The Beavers are probably deeper in the red than any of the other five clubs in the circuit. Last week Arcyb Keizer of the Sydney Post Record was in Saint John to watch one Miners-Beavers game and he reported that the Beavers were about \$40,000 behind.

There was a report out of Halifax yesterday evening that Col. Victor Oland of the Halifax Saints would seek a five out of nine series with the Saint John Beavers in the finals. The Maritimes have until April 16 to declare a winner to meet the Quebec champion and it seems quite sensible that such a series should be played. It would also give the Beavers an extra home game.

The Toronto Maple Leafs, always noted for their playoff hockey, will have their backs to the wall tonight when they meet Detroit Red Wings. The power-packed Red Wings have a 3-0 lead in their semi-final series and it looks as though the champion Leafs are going to go the way of the Islanders.

There is some speculation about that the Leafs need a rebuilding

Abbies Take 2-goal Lead In Island Finals With 6-4 Win Over Geo'town

The Charlottetown Abbies will carry a two goal lead into the second game of their home and home series with the Georgetown Eagles as the result of their 6-4 win over the Eagles in Georgetown last night. The second game in the series for the Provincial Intermediate Hockey Championship will be played at the Forum tonight.

The Abbies secured their victory margin in the opening period as they scored two goals without a reply from their opponents. Each team scored twice in both the second and third period.

"Roach" MacGregor led the Abbies with two goals while Harold Howatt, Ted Strain, Hollis Jay and Des Burge shot singletons. H. MacLean, G. Landry, Publicover and McConnell scored for the losers.

Although outscored in the first period the smaller but better conditioned Eagles outplayed their opponents and had it not been for the outstanding work of Frank Strain in the Abbie net the Eagles would have skated off with at least an even count at the end of the session.

The Eagles also pressed hard in the dying minutes of the second period and netted two goals on their persistent attacks in the third period the Abbies tested young Gene Sullivan in the Eagles net freely but the game youngster who played a fine game was beaten only twice.

The game was cleanly played on comparatively good ice considering the time of year. Referee Arnold MacCallum and A. J. MacAdam handed out only four penalties.

Hollis Jay shot the winning goal, an unassisted effort early in the third period. His 25 foot screened shot beat Sullivan cleanly.

Jack "Sp" Ready, Abbies smooth rearguard received a cut above his right eye in the third period and three stitches were required to close the gash. Shortly after the opening whistle MacNeill of the Eagles was knocked out when he fell headlong into the boards. After treatment he also returned to the game.

Officials: A. J. MacAdam and Arnold MacCallum.

Lineups: Abbies—Goal: P. Strain; Defense: Ready, Perry, Burge; for-

McFater Gets TKO Verdict

HAMILTON, March 31.—(CP)—Allan McFater of Toronto was awarded a seventh-round technical knockout over Howard Leslie of Saint John, N. B., tonight. The decision almost produced a small riot. Referee Jack Silvers called the main bout—scheduled for 10 rounds—at 1:10 of the seventh after Leslie had been partly knocked, partly shoved through the ropes. He reached through, pulled Leslie up and looking at a closed left eye, awarded the fight to McFater.

The crowd crowded about the ring demanding that the New Brunswick negro be allowed to continue. Although McFater had the better of the fight in the preceding rounds, they figured Leslie wasn't beaten.

Fred Steel, Ontario Athletics Commissioner however, agreed with Silvers' decision. "What do they want, murder?" he asked.

Murray Swartz, Leslie's manager, didn't see it that way. "My boy was perfectly all right," he said. "He could have continued."

Job. Their combination of youth and brawn which won three Stanley Cups for them in four years appears to have been worn out. The Leafs too missed a lot of their punch when bashing Bill Barilko was lost in Northern Ontario last fall. Another hockey player, whom some observers believe has seen his best days, is Tedder Kennedy. Sydney's Bill Dinning, who saw Kennedy last fall, judged that Smythe had gotten most of the hockey out of Kennedy.

Al Bestall's paperweights, last hope for Summerside to gain an Island hockey championship this year, were defeated by the Charlottetown paperweights, and so the "rink's town" has failed, for the first time since these championships were started, to bag one of them.

Congratulations to Kensington Pee-Wees. They defeated the Murray Harbour Pee-Wees in overtime, and are now Island champions. Kensington and O'Leary are the only two centres in Prince County to come through with Island titles. The O'Leary girls beat the Abbie sisters 4-1 in O'Leary, and second game at Charlottetown was 1-1 tie, giving O'Leary the round 5-2.

Summing it up, Cape Traverse O'Leary and Kensington are the "Big Three" in winter sports in Prince County; Cape Traverse and O'Leary for skating prowess, O'Leary and Kensington for hockey.

wards, Ledwell, Jay, T. Strain, LeClair, Howatt, Blanchard, C. MacDonell, Hurry, MacGregor, Eagles—Goal—Sullivan; defense, W. MacLean, H. MacLean, MacPhee; forwards, F. Landry, Stevens, MacDonell, Publicover, McConnell, Martell, Murphy, MacNeill, Johnson.

First Period
1—Abbies Howatt (Burge, LeClair) 6:18
2—Abbies Strain (Ledwell, Jay) 17:58
Penalty—Perry 2:05

Second Period
3—Abbies MacGregor 5:47
4—Abbies MacGregor (Hurry, Burge) 7:20
5—Eagles McConnell (Landry) 10:50
6—Eagles H. MacLean (Landry) 14:58
Penalties—Jay 13:17, Publicover 13:17.

Third Period
7—Eagles G. Landry (H. MacLean) 1:43
8—Abbies Jay 2:42
9—Eagles Publicover (Stevens) 3:03
10—Abbies Burge (MacDonell) 14:55
Penalty—Publicover 15:21

Sport Echoes From Prince County

Congratulations to the following Prince County speed skaters for capturing first place honors at the Prince Edward Island Inter-scholastic Ice Sports Friday evening at the Forum in Charlottetown: George Carruthers, O'Leary; Dexter Silnik, O'Leary; Wayne Howatt, Cape Traverse; Dale MacWilliams, Cape Traverse; Fred Bridges, Kensington; Ian MacFarlane, Bedouque; George Wedge, O'Leary; Peggy MacMillan, West Prince.

In 22 events, excluding the relay races, Prince County captured first place nine times, King's eight times, and Queen's, which included Charlottetown, five times. In total points Queen's leads with 88 points, Prince second with 70 points, and King's, 59 points. When you consider total points, however, you must remember that the centre in which the sports are held has a decided advantage because of entering more contestants. Therefore we think it's the county which leads in race winners that is the blue ribbon territory. Hurray for Prince!

Cape Traverse and O'Leary produced three winners apiece. That's really something. The Howatt and MacWilliams families of the Cape have been dominating their age groups for years now. Dale's older brother, Bobby, used to clean up all competition up until the last two years. He fell in the prelims in 1951 and 1952 and so did not get to Charlottetown at all. He was far ahead when the spills occurred. When the smaller fry from these two families get into the contests, Cape Traverse will be tough to beat for team honors.

Two of the three winners from O'Leary were girls. No doubt these youngsters will step up into the places of the older O'Leary sisters, who have been trouncing everything in sight in ladies' hockey teams.

Summerside managed to get three points, Vance Harris finished second in the quarter-mile. Well, for the "rinkless town of the Maritimes" three points is about par for the course.

Joey Schurman has returned to the southern United States to take up his duties in the U. S. airforce after a three-week visit at his home. Through error Joey's age was given in the Guardian as 26. Joey is only 20. Three years ago he was playing juvenile hockey in Summerside.

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Sports Forum

Dear Sir:—After the game at North River, the whole of Prince Edward Island have heard of the Georgetown Eagles. This team is an accumulation of hockey players from Georgetown who well deserve the plaudits and the good wishes of both Kings and Queens Counties, and when the series is completed with Prince County will merit the praise of the whole Province.

Georgetown is a hockey town and with the wonderful rink that has been provided for all ages—boys and girls alike, they are developing here a brand of hockey that has caused considerable envy by neighbouring communities, and if the Georgetown Eagles are showing promise and skill this present season, the chances are that with the many younger "farm" teams in the town, they will greatly improve and be an even greater menace to other clubs.

Pee-wees, midgets, bantams and scouts are all organized under one management and even this year, two of the front line of the Eagles are part of the Scout team which will prove the Provincial championship of Prince Edward Island on Saturday, March 22nd in the Charlottetown Forum against O'Leary Scouts Any day, every day during January.

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Leafs Hope For Victory From Lineup Shuffle

TORONTO, March 31.—(CP)—Toronto Maple Leafs tonight hoped that a lineup shuffle would halt Detroit Red Wings' unbeaten string of victories in their Stanley Cup hockey semi-final.

Managing director Conn Smythe said he planned "two or three changes" for the fourth and possibly last—game of the best-of-seven series tomorrow night. He declined to give details.

It seems likely that the big change will be in goal. Al Rollins who was in the nets when the Leafs absorbed a 3-0 defeat in the opening game in Detroit, is likely to go back into action again. He sat out two games while veteran Turk Broda went down 1-0 and 6-2 in the 10th and 10th Stanley Cup playoff games of his career.

Noting that the Red Wings camp at Hamilton is that they'll go with the same lineup that scored a convincing 6-2 victory in the third game, Len (Red) Kelly, injured in the second game is expected to sit it out again.

N. B. Intermediate Series Tied 2-All

FREDERICTON, March 31.—(CP)—Fredericton Capitals stayed in the running for the New Brunswick intermediate hockey championships by swamping Bathurst Papermakers 13-3 tonight. With the best-in-five finals tied 2-2, the deciding game will be played here tomorrow night.

Capitals, Eastern Canadian finalists last year, held Bathurst to one goal in each period while scoring five in the first, four in the second and another four in the third.

Centre Boyd MacTavish did the hat trick and linemates Doug and Neil Sewell scored two each as Punchy Walker, Fredericton goalie, required 14 stitches for a forehead cut inflicted by a flying puck. He finished the game.

Beavers' Forward Has Broken Leg

GLACE BAY, N. S., March 31.—(CP)—Al Buchanan, injured Saint John Beavers forward, will remain in hospital here for 12 days before returning to Saint John, hospital authorities reported today.

The 24-year-old Winnipeg-born hockey player broke his leg above the ankle in the third game of the Maritime Major Hockey League semi-finals with Glace Bay Miners. His condition is good. Doctors said the injury wouldn't stop him from playing hockey next season.

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The deciding game in the paperweight bracket will bring together the Spring Park Springers and the Prince Street School Tigers. This game will get underway at seven o'clock.

The pee-wee championship will be decided between the Q. B. S. Braves and the P. S. S. Hornets. The Parkdale Ramblers and the Q. S. S. Bruins will battle it out for the bantam title while P. S. S. Royals and the Q. S. S. Rangers will play for the midget crown.

Officials are hoping that a good crowd of fans will turn out to see the youngsters play. Following the games there will be a skate to the music of the Recce Band.

Champion Jersey Joe And Charles To Fight June 5

PHILADELPHIA, March 31.—(AP)—Heavyweight champion Jersey Joe Walcott and challenger Ezzard Charles today signed contracts for a 15-round title match June 5 at Philadelphia's Municipal Stadium.

It will be the fourth title meeting between the 37-year-old Walcott of Camden, N.J., and the 30-year-old Charles from Cincinnati. Each fighter will receive 30 per cent of the gate, including television and radio broadcasts and motion picture royalties.

However no decision has been reached yet on television or radio broadcasts of the fight. Tickets will sell for \$3 to \$20 and promoters hope the total gate to hit \$400,000.

The signing ceremony started at City Hall in the headquarters of an organization which sponsors boys' recreation groups. It was to be held in two rooms large enough to hold about 25 people. But a half hour before the scheduled starting time people were literally hanging from the chandeliers. So everybody went down the hall to Mayor James Clark's reception room.

Jake Mintz, one of Charles' co-managers, said he thought the gross would be \$600,000 and that Charles would train near Philadelphia if a proper site can be obtained.

Walcott's manager, Fleix Boichewich, said the champion would start training April 15 in Atlantic City, N.J.

Canada's Olympic Ass'n Holds Annual Meeting

MONTREAL, March 31.—(CP)—The Canadian Olympic Association at its annual meeting Saturday decided that Canada's representation at the 1952 summer games in Helsinki, Finland, will be no larger than that at the 1948 games in London.

Approval was given for representation in the equestrian and shooting events—a new step for Canada. There will be no gymnastics team, application for which had been made.

There will be reductions, compared with 1948, in the number of competitors for some sports and additions in others. The heaviest cuts are in cycling and fencing, as well as in the number of general officials.

Along with the addition of equestrian and shooting representatives, there are increases for rowing, padding and yachting.

Decision on a representation, approximately numerical to that of 1948, was taken, it was announced, because of the association's financial situation and the proficiency status of athletes—lack of enough Olympic-calibre performers.

A total of 145 for the full Canadian team, including officials, was first aimed at. The tentative total now, to conform with that of 1948, is around 130.

The treasurer's annual report showed collections to date of \$85,100, with \$52,000 still needed. The Olympic winter games cost the association \$30,000.

Approval for an equestrian team was given at an application from Toronto, which agreed that competitors would have to meet stringent conditions to qualify. It is expected that top-notch equestrian judges from the United States will decide on the merits of the competitors.

The Association approved the appointment of C. H. Rister Kamilla of Helsinki as Canada's attaché for the games. His duties will include general liaison work.

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MONDAY	—SKATING	8.00 to 10.00
TUESDAY	—CHILDREN'S SKATING	4.00 to 5.30
	—GEORGETOWN VS. INTERMEDIATE	
	ABEGWEITS, Intermediate Title	8.00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY	—ROTARY HOCKEY NIGHT	7 P.M.
THURSDAY	—SKATING	8.00 to 10.00
FRIDAY	—CHILDREN'S SKATING	4.00 to 5.30
	—SCANTLEBURY ICE FOLLIES	8.00 P.M.
SATURDAY	—AFTERNOON SKATING	2.30 to 4.30
	—HOCKEY	8 P.M.

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