

# Lindsay Winner Of Art Ross Trophy; Durnan Retains The Vezina Cup

MONTREAL, March 27 — (CP) — With the National Hockey League's first 70-game season officially closed, Ted Lindsay of Detroit Red Wings captured the Art Ross Trophy for being top point-getter and Montreal's goalie, Bill Durnan, capped the Vezina Cup for the sixth year.

Final league statistics released today show that Lindsay, a native of Renfrew, Ont., ended the season with 23 goals and a record-setting 55 assists for 78 points, holding a comfortable nine-point lead over teammate Sid Abel.

The fiery left-winger's assists topped by one a league record of 54 assists in a regular 60-game schedule set by Montreal Canadiens' Elmer Lach in the 1944-45 season. He took over possession of the Trophy from Roy Conacher of Chicago Black Hawks.

Abel, the Red Wings' team captain, finished the season in second spot with 34 goals and 35 assists for 69 points, only one more than Gordie Howe, who completes a Detroit sharp-shooting three-man line with 35 goals and 33 assists.

Maurice (The Rocket) Richard of Montreal ended in fourth position with 66 points. His season's 49-goal total is seven short of an N.H.L. mark he chalked up in 1944-45.

Durnan has captured the coveted trophy every year since the 1943-44 season, except in 1948 when it went to goalie Turk Broda of Toronto Maple Leafs.

# Boston Bruins Decide To Drop Boucher As Coach

BOSTON, March 27 — (CP) — Boston Bruins said today that George (Buck) Boucher's contract to coach the National Hockey League team would not be renewed next year. Boucher had signed a one-year contract to coach the Bruins.

A spokesman for the Bruins said the team's failure to make the Stanley Cup playoffs for the first time since 1934-44 had nothing to do with it. But a local newspaper quoted Boucher as saying that he had been fired.

"Boucher was signed to coach the team for the 1949-50 season," the spokesman said, "and no commitment was made at the time or subsequently, beyond the one season."

That it was a "difficult season" that brought severe injuries to several players did not affect Boucher's status, the Bruins spokesman said.

Boucher coached Ottawa Senators of the Quebec Senior League to the Allan Cup last year.

TORONTO, March 27 — (CP) — Run Cook of Cleveland Barons is a probable successor to Buck Boucher as coach of Boston Bruins of the National Hockey League, Milt Dunnell, sports editor of the Toronto Star, predicted in his sport-page column today.

Cook coached the Barons to two American Hockey League championships and is in the contention for a third this year. Before that he led Providence Reds to two titles.

# GEORGETOWN BOY SCOUTS 5; MONTAGUE BOY SCOUTS 3

On Wednesday night the Georgetown Boy Scouts handed out a convincing 5-4 defeat to the visiting Montague Boy Scouts. This was a sudden-death fixture to decide who would meet the Souris Boy Scout team for the championship of the County.

# MURRAY HARBOR BRUINS 5; GEORGETOWN EAGLES 4

In one of the fastest and best played games of the season on Thursday night the local Eagles lost a close 5-4 decision to the Murray Harbor Bruins. The game was the second of a best of five series for the Southern King's Cup and the count now stands at two games to none for the Bruins. The Bruins led 1-0 at the end of a fast first period and added one more in the middle session to go into the final frame leading 2-0. In the end session the Eagles caught fire and in a matter of minutes had rammed home three pretty counters on two beautiful goals by Stevens, assisted by Landry and McNeill and a single by MacPhee. At the five minute mark the Bruins on a goal by Herring knotted the count, only to have H. MacLean from Lavander get the lead for the locals. Hume from Chapman once again gave the Harbour boys a tie and when it looked like a sure bet for overtime, at 19:35, Hume from Herring got the winner. With fifteen seconds to go Georgetown pulled out their goalie but could not get the equalizer.

# Interscholastic Games Tonight

Island Interscholastic hockey titles in both boys and girls divisions will be decided at the Forum tonight when the Queen Square and Summerside High School boys' teams tangle in a sudden death game at 7:30 and one hour later the Prince Street and Montague High School girls cross sticks in another sudden death game.

All four teams have battled their way through tough individual district competition this season and have been turning in a top notch brand of hockey, and when the leaders of these divisions contest one another tonight, fans can depend on seeing plenty of action before the 1950 champions in the two divisions have been decided.

# Reject St. Mary's Juniors' Request

SYDNEY, N. S., March 27 — (CP) — The Canadian Amateur Hockey Association has rejected a request of Halifax St. Mary's Juniors to add three players for their Memorial Cup round against Montreal Canadiens.

M. A. H. A. secretary-treasurer Gene Connolly made the announcement here tonight. Saints were seeking Parker MacDonald and Doug McLeod of the Junior Sydney Millionaires and Neil Amadeo of Glace Bay Miners.

Saints, however, will be permitted to add players from their Juvenile squad.

# Junior Canadiens Are Optimistic

MONTREAL, March 27 — (CP) — The battle-scarred Montreal Junior Canadiens today were a happy band as they settled down to their first tastes of victory along the thorn-studded route to the Memorial Cup.

Their respite from the hockey lanes will be brief as the Quebec Province Junior champions are entrained tonight for Halifax where a best-of-five series with Halifax St. Mary's, the Maritime title-holders, is scheduled to start Wednesday.

Captain Sammy Pollock of the Habs was unusually optimistic about the team's chances of getting by the Maritimers.

"We can do it," he said, "if the boys keep their heads and their hearts in the right places."

# SWEDEN'S SHOWING

STOCKHOLM — (CP) — A Swedish ship this summer will carry goods and products of Sweden direct to Chicago for display at the International Trade Fair there in August. Goods shown will include machinery, metal products, silverware, furniture, glass and textiles.

# SPORTING NEWS

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# S'ide Crystals Score 13-3 Win Over Abbies To Advance To Finals

Turning in a terrific performance of smart head-up hockey at the Forum last night before an estimated crowd of over 800 fans, Dr. Vince Grant's Summerside Crystals hung a lopsided defeat on the Charlottetown Abbies to the tune of 13-3 in a sudden death game for the right to advance into the Island intermediate hockey playoff championships. The Crystals will meet the winners of the Island Intermediate B title, Borden Nationals, in the opening game of a home and home series which will commence at Borden tomorrow night.

Coming up with the finest performance we have seen them display this season, the Crystals outscored the Abbies 3-0 in the opening frame, split one each in the second, and turning in a veritable landslide in the final session, outscored and outplayed the locals to the tune of 9-2 for a walk-away victory by a 10 goal margin.

It was a game, however, that displayed plenty of everything in the way of action and excitement, including smart scoring plays, heavy body checking and a couple of rousing fights to cap it off, that certainly gave the fans a profusion of action.

The contest was of a type that saw one team, Crystals, making every break they had count, while the other, Abbies, just couldn't make their passes and plays click at the crucial times, and although really playing smart hockey to get the puck into scoring position, just couldn't make it pay off in goals against a superb job in the Summerside net by Bill Sprague and some very close defensive action put up by both the defence and forwards of a perfectly organized Crystal aggregation.

It was a battle for scoring honors on the Crystal roster between Syl Bernard of one line and Layton Schurman on the other, Bernard topping with five goals and Schurman four, with teammates Benny Grady, Gordie Kelly, Stan Gallant and Emmett Trainor notching up one each for their full total of 13 tallies. The kid line of Carver, Hennessey and Fields, brought up from the Abbie Juvenile squad, led the attack for the local squad, Carver notching two and Fields one, with Hennessey, Perry and Carver also ringing in on assists.

Playing really close hockey in the first period, despite Crystals' three goals, the Abbies forced their share of the attack, but the visitors opened the scoring early when Grady tallied the opener on a play with Schurman and Davis at 2:17, with Gallant and Trainor teaming up again at 3:35 to go into a two-goal lead, Gallant notching the tally. The Abbies drove back hard at the five-minute mark and really made things hot around the Crystal cage, but Sprague came up with some hot performances to keep them at bay. It was a see-saw battle for the rest of the frame with both teams breaking open often on scoring attacks but both goalies came up with good work to hold the fort until the 17:04 mark when Schurman and Grady combined to dent the armor of Hooper for the third time and end the frame with a 3-0 lead. The Abbies really had some tough breaks during the frame, and although they appeared equal as many scoring opportunities as their opponents, but just couldn't click on the scoring.

As far as territory play was concerned, the Abbies were to force the play deep inside the Crystal zone where they hammered away at Bill Sprague's domain, to fire rubber at him from all angles, and except for a goal at 18:07, just couldn't get any more past the outstanding work of Sprague and some really smart defensive action of the Crystal's forward and rearguard section. Although the Crystals had not nearly the scoring chances, they were the first to tally on the

# Sport Echoes From Prince County

The ending of the midget final series for the Island championship has been termed by one of our sports writers as "unsatisfactory." We agree, but it seems strange to us that this word was judged sufficient to sum up the situation. The ending was much more than unsatisfactory. It was disgraceful. Seems some of the referee's decisions were not popular with some of the players. This, however, is not unusual. When have referees' decisions been satisfactory to all the players? As long as hockey lasts the decisions of referees will continue to be disputed by those who play, as well as by those who watch the game. What was unusual and reprehensible, was the fact that one of the Charlottetown Victorias carried his disagreement to the point of attacking the referee, and that some of those who did not go that far used a lot of off-color language to the arbiter. The Charlottetown sports writers are strangely silent about this incident, and silence in this case would seem to mean condonement of the offence.

We have always had the highest opinion of the sense of fair play of the Charlottetown sports writers, however, and have concluded that it is possible they have not heard of this incident, and that is why they have not condemned it. There were no sports writers at the game, we understand. The score was erroneously reported to the papers as 8 to 6 instead of 9 to 8, as the official scorer had it. Perhaps other events relating to the game were also misrepresented. Certainly, one of the Summerside fans at the Abbie-Crystal game was condemned in strong and unequivocal language, so we take it for granted that this cowardly attack on a referee whose service to his country has put him under a handicap in the matter of defence would also have been panned by this writer.

We should like to know if there is to be any disciplinary action taken in regard to this flagrant attack. Surely the perpetrator will be punished in some way by those who have authority to do so. For the continued success of our youth program it seems important that such unsportsmanlike actions should not be tolerated. It will be remembered that another referee was attacked on Charlottetown Forum ice this winter and got off with a 10-minute misconduct penalty. Such a light sentence for so serious an offence was a mistake, we think, and may have sold the youngsters the idea that attacking a referee is not such a serious matter after all. If this easy handling of rowdymen continues, it will not be safe for referees to appear on the ice without police escort, and that would be awkward, for all the limbs of the law would have to learn to skate.

We, and other sports writers as well, quite often solicit the support and encouragement of our minor hockey clubs by the people of the centres where such activities are carried on. We picture our youth athletic programs as worth-while efforts, as indeed they are. But if some of the boys are going to go so far forget sportsmanship as to have like untutored savages, it will certainly not persuade people to support our efforts wholeheartedly. That some of the members of a team of midget hockey players should attempt to "gang up" on a man with one arm and force him to duck swings aimed at him and protect himself as best he could until help arrived is almost unbelievable, and is by long odds the most disgraceful exhibition ever to come to our attention in the realm of hockey.

We'd like to end this column with something that is more pleasant to remember. Congratulations to the St. Dunstons' hockey team for their winning of the Physical Fitness League. We think it too bad they could not advance into inter-provincial play, as we feel they would have carried the Island colors with distinction. The work they are doing at the University is more important, however, and must take precedence over their sporting activities.

As we finish this column we do not know who will represent the Island in inter-provincial play.

# Too Late To Classify

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downs, Charlottetown Abegwils, Summerside Crystals or Borden Nationals, but we wish the team which emerges victors the best of luck against the New Brunswick champions.

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# S'ide Midgets To Meet Moncton On Wednesday

# "Y" Juvenile Hoop Team Defeats W.K.S.

The Summerside Kinsmen Midgets, Prince Edward Island champions, will go to Moncton, N.B., Wednesday morning to cross sticks with the Moncton West-End Beavers. Midget champions of New Brunswick. The local boys, as was the case with the Abbie Juveniles, will be under a handicap in playing a sudden-death game in the New Brunswick Midget champs' own back yard, but facilities for hockey in Summerside being what they are, there doesn't seem to be anything that can be done about it. Last year Summerside Midgets, playing a Moncton team in Sackville, won the two-province crown. Whether they can repeat this year is something else again.

Most of the boys making up the team have played together for three years now, winning the Island Bantam title two years ago, and the N.B.-P.E.I. title last year. Balfour MacKay, regular goalie has been with the team for three years, being spare goalie with the Bantams. Dee Lergury was regular goalie last year, and has been understudy to MacKay during his two Midget years. Dickie Wedge and Ed Dalton, two of this year's rearguardmen, are both three-year men, but Wedge has been shifted from the forward line to play defence, and in this position teamed up well with his mates.

Melville Campbell, the other defenceman, came up from last year's Bantams. The line of Ron McArthur, Coke Grady and Neil Walker, have been with the club since their Bantam year and have played as a line for two years now. They are all rugged and have plenty of scoring punch. Donald Darby, Clive MacDonald and Everett C. Gallant are also playing their third year, but the line has been formed only recently and with Darby, a fine playmaker, in centre ice, this new line has clicked from the start, pleasing Jimmie Hogan no end with his experiment of bringing up Darby from defence to pivot the line. Vance Harris, the extra player, has come up from last year's Bantams, and although a bit light as yet, shows great promise for the future.

The good wishes of the Summerside fans and Island fans in general, will go with the Kinmidgets in their quest for a Maritime crown.—S.

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# SMOKER

28 L.A.A. REGIMENT, R.C.A.  
A smoker for all members of the 28 L. A. A. Regt. R.C.A. will be held at the Charlottetown Armories on 28 March, 1950. Commencing at 1930 hours. All personnel are urged to attend.  
G. G. K. PEAKE, D.S.O., E.D.  
C.O. 28 L.A.A. Regt. R.C.A.

# ATTENTION SKATING FANS

Following is the list of prizes for the Fireman's Masquerade Skate:  
—For Best Dressed Lady— Kenwood Blanket—Value 15.00—Moore & McLeod Ltd.  
—Best Dressed Man— Auto Robe—Value 12.50—S. A. MacDonald  
—Best Dressed Couple— Floor Lamp—Value 22.00—E. T. Holman Ltd.  
—Funniest Costume (Man)— Ronson Lighter—6.50—Crockett's Jewellery  
—Funniest Costume (Lady)— Plastic Utility Bag—Value 5.95—Moncton Auto Parts  
—Door Prize— 1 Set Dishes—Value 35.00—Rogers Hardware

# 2 FOR YOU TO NIGHT

ALL CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS  
NO. 1—SCHOOL PROVINCIAL TITLE AT 7.30 QUEEN SQUARE vs. SUMMERSIDE HIGH  
NO. 2—GIRLS' PROVINCIAL TITLE AT 8.30 PRINCE STREET vs. MONTAGUE HIGH  
SKATE AFTER GAMES  
TONIGHT  
ADULTS—35c  
CHILDREN—25c  
THE FORUM

# NOTICE

All Midget Vics meet at the Rendezvous tonight at 7 o'clock. Bring sweaters.

# SNAP SHOT FINISHING

Rolls of film developed and printed and sent out the same day. Prints double size at no extra cost. Any 8 exposure roll 35c. Reprints 4c each or 10 for 35c. Mail Film Service, P.O. Box 204, Charlottetown.

# HOCKEY BORDEN RINK

WEDNESDAY NIGHT  
BORDEN NATIONALS  
versus  
SUMMERSIDE CRYSTALS  
First game for the Island Intermediate Championship  
Game starts at 8:30  
Admission 25 and 50 cents

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