

Halifax Takes 2-0 Lead In Playoff Series

Frank King Is Hero As Atlantics Score 5-3 Victory Over Islanders

HALIFAX, April 8 — The Halifax Atlantics ramed home three goals within the space of five minutes of a wild and uncontrollable third period here tonight to defeat the Charlottetown Islanders 5-3 and take a two-game lead in the best-of-nine final series for the M.M.-H.L. championship. Winger Frank King emerged the hero of tonight's game after scoring the tying and winning goals for the hard driving Halifax club in as pitious a third period as has been played in the Maritimes for several seasons.

The Islanders were leading 3-2 in the third when King, laying flat on the ice, scooped the puck into the net with his stick after Al Millar had fallen flat on his back to make a stop. He fired the winning goal from 20 feet in front of the net as the Islanders played a more short about three minutes later.

Big Blow-up

Bob Bowness added an insurance goal by scoring on a back shot at the 14:32 mark. But the scoring spree of the Atlanticians failed to excite the fans nearly as much as the wild outbreaks that occurred during the last minutes of the hard and ruggedly played game.

The final blow-up followed a savage battle between Lyle Wiseman and Carroll Bloom and when the smoke had cleared the Islanders had drawn one match penalty, three misconducts, a minor and a major.

Steve Brklacich was given match and misconduct penalties for his part in an attack on referee Jim Kelly. Gustavson and Al Millar drew misconducts for insulting the official. Earlier in the period Hughie Campbell was sentenced with a misconduct for throwing his glove at referee O'Donaghue.

In all twenty-five penalties were handed out by the officials with fifteen of them coming in the last period. The Islanders drew 15 penalties and the Atlantics 10.

Billy Ford of Halifax and Gary Gordon of the Islanders shared scoring honors during the fast and brilliantly played opening two periods. Ford counted twice for Halifax as did Gordon for the Islanders. Ron Hurst scored one for the Islanders in the second session.

The Islanders led 3-2 at the end of the second period as they skated, passed and checked with authority. The dominant factor in the lead however was the outstanding work of Al Millar in nets. Millar made 30 stops during the game against 14 for MacMeekin. Many of the shots were hard drives from close in and at least ten of the stops Millar made bordered on the miraculous.

Although outshot 2-1 the Islanders had equally as much control of the play as the Atlantics. They looked good in the first two periods but appeared to tire in the third. The Islanders played without Buck Whitlock but Steve Brklacich who played in his place on the forward line turned in a strong game. Lyle Wiseman moved back on defense with Gus Gustavson.

The first period was only 20 seconds old when the Atlantics' Frank King highsticked Marcel Clements on the Halifax blue line after the whistle had blown for the first blow-up of the game. A pushing match followed but neither player drew a penalty.

Twenty seconds later King made the first dangerous thrust as he rushed into the Islanders' end and struck the goal post on a short shot. Larry Travis and Bob Gray roared back into the Halifax zone and MacMeekin stepped Gray on a

wicked 25-foot drive. Steve Brklacich, playing forward on a line with Bob Gray and Chuck Holdaway in the place of the ailing Buck Whitlock drew the first penalty for interference. Ten penalties followed with the Islanders drawing six for the period and the Atlantics five.

Hub Beaudry set up Marcel Clements with a clever play at the Halifax defense around the six minute mark but MacMeekin again rose to the occasion. In the ensuing scramble George McLagan missed the open net.

Seconds later Larry Travis rapped up the ice on a brilliant rush but lost the puck in front of the net. Travis, who played terrific hockey during the period, spent most of the first seven minutes on the ice.

Al Millar made a spectacular stop of defenseman Bob Hayes at the seven minute mark as Ron Hurst sat in the penalty box. Hurst had just returned to the ice when Billy Watson rapped into the Islanders' end, swept around an Islanders defenseman and centered out to the uncovered Bill Ford. Ford scored on the open side from 10 feet out.

The cheers had not died out when the Islanders returned the play into the Atlantics' end. Wally Pawlshyn grabbed the puck in the corner and centered out to Gary Gordon who scored on a low shot from 20 feet out. Gustavson assisted on the play.

Al Millar came up with great saves off Hollett and Carroll Bloom late in the period. During the opening session Millar made 11 saves and MacMeekin six. Carroll Bloom dished out the hardest body check when he malleted Clements along the boards near mid-ice at the 17:35 mark.

Millar Outstanding

The second period was marked by the terrific work of Al Millar and the passing of the hard skating Islanders. Both teams played wide-open in the most pleasing period of the series.

The Islanders jumped to the attack as soon as the period got underway with the line of Beaudry, Clements and Hurst bottling up the Atlanticians. Clements hit Campbell hard behind the Halifax net at the two-minute mark and 29 seconds later Gustavson dumped big Hughes at the blue line.

Larry Travis started the play for the Islanders' second goal by passing from behind his net to Marcel Clements. Clements fed the speeding Ron Hurst a nice pass and Hurst outdistanced Joe Lepine to fire a low shot into the cordeage from 20 feet out.

Bill Ford had the goal back within half a minute later, scoring from directly in front of the Islanders' net with a flip shot that caught the corner. Joe Lepine assisted on the goal.

The Brklacich-Gray, Holdaway line gave a brilliant passing display between the five and seven minute mark but failed to connect for a goal. It was at this stretch that Bob Gray played right wing for three complete changes without coming off the ice.

Gary Gordon scored his second goal of the game at the 14:18 mark on a play with Chuck Holdaway. Chuck picked up the puck at center and broke out with Gordon. After crossing the Halifax line he fired a shot that bounced off Joe Lepine's leg. Gordon snapped up the puck. Let MacMeekin make the first move and flipped the disc into his twines from the crease.

Steve Brklacich and Bob Gray had good scoring chances early in the third but MacMeekin stopped Brklacich and Gray elected to pass rather than shoot the puck.

Lyle Wiseman and Billy Watson drew minor penalties with Watson going off for four minutes on a double minor. He hooked Wiseman going over the Halifax line and Wiseman retaliated with an elbow. A short scuffle followed.

Hughie Campbell, enraged over the call of the officials struck O'Donaghue with his glove and drew a misconduct penalty. Gray sent Holdaway in on net with a nice pass seconds later but Chuck fired the disc past the open corner.

King was laying on the ice in front of Millar when he wished the puck into the net with his stick for the tying goal. Ford started the play with a pass back from the corner and Lepine rapped into the Islanders' cage to set up the marker.

Penalties Costly

Penalties to Gray and Gordon set the stage of the winning goal. Gray went off for holding and had just returned to the ice when Gordon drew a minor for closing his hand on the puck.

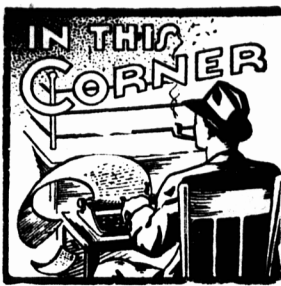
Gordon had just been seated in the box when King picked up a loose puck from 20 feet out and drilled a bullet-like drive into the net. Millar partially stopped

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when the fatigued Islanders fell in the third period he was on the spot to make the most of the two breaks that came his way during the game.

Both goals could be classed as breaks. The original cause of King's tying goal was poor clearing. The final cause was a lucky swing with his stick. He was laying on the ice with an Islander on top of him when he reached out with his stick and swished the puck into the net. He scored his second goal as the Islanders played a man short. He picked up an Islanders' pass-out and blasted one past Millar from about 20 feet out. It was a terrific shot and Millar didn't have a ghost of a chance on it.

The Islanders were aggressive tonight and a tremendously improved club from that which opened the series here on Monday. They skated and checked with the Atlantics for the first two periods although they were badly outshot. At the end of the second they held a 3-2 lead as the result of two goals by Gary Gordon and a smart goal by Ronnie Hurst. They had two good chances early in the third but when they failed to cash in they left the door open for Halifax to start their onslaught.

CAMPBELLTON, N. B. (CP)—Campbellton Tigers edged Halifax Navy 7-6 Wednesday night in opening the Maritime inter-league A hockey finals. The second game of the best-of-five series will be played here Thursday night.

The Charlottetown Abbies defeated the Summerside R. C. A. F. last night at S.D.U. gym and won the right to meet the S. D. U. team in the finals for the Island title and the Physical Fitness trophy. Abbies went into the second game of the home and home series with a three-point lead after a closely contested game at Summerside.

A girls game last night with the R.C.A.F. W.D.'s meeting the Abegweit Sisters was cancelled. MacLean with 30 points led the Abbies last night in the scoring. Scantlebury was runner-up with 10. Others on the lineup with the points scored included: Nicholson 2, Goodwin, Gillis, Dalziel 3, MacFadyen 2, Howatt 5, Crockett 2, Ballem 2—total 56.

For the R.C.A.F. the top pointer was Richmond with 20. With Smith runner-up with 14. Others on the lineup included, Murray, Smerdon 10, Burns 6, Murphy, Corning 2—total 54.

Campbellton Edges Halifax

MILWAUKEE Gives Braves Big Welcome

Local Night Ball Assured This Year

During the last few days baseball enthusiasts have been watching with interest as a line crew from the Maritime Electric Co. actually install and aim the floodlights for night athletics at Memorial Field. The work is progressing satisfactorily with 60 of the 120 lights in place at time of writing. From present progress it is quite safe to say that, weather permitting, the Field's modern plant should be all in place and ready for testing early next week.

If this splendid weather continues it is understood that Geo. Francis, general field manager, plans to have both the diamond and the cinder track dragged and rolled within the next few days. Repairs to the players dugout and other improvements are slated to be done as soon as possible. Among the improvements planned are additional bleachers, extension of

Dick Irvin Gloomy On Eve of Opener

MONTREAL, (CP)—Wednesday was Gloom Day for Dick Irvin as the usual pre-series mantle of depression settled in sags about the shoulders of Montreal Canadiens' coach.

When his team knocked off Chicago Black Hawks Tuesday to enter the Stanley Cup final, Irvin was crowing. But he sneaked off to his farm Wednesday to take out his woes on a bunch of helpless baby chickens.

Before he left town he said dolefully that he will send out the same team against Boston Bruins Thursday that polished off Chicago in the last two games of the semi-final.

Once he got over his brief spell of elation, Irvin started to worry about the Bruins.

"How can we beat them? They knocked off Detroit in the series didn't they? And Detroit won the National Hockey League title five times in a row. They're strong; centre, goal and everywhere. We're using rookies."

Irvin was right about the rookies but they did a man-sized job in the last two games against Chicago.

Milwaukee Gives Braves Big Welcome

MILWAUKEE, (AP)—This town went baseball-mad Wednesday as the Milwaukee Braves came home for the first time.

An estimated 60,000 persons, some of them in Indian head-dresses and all of them screaming, lined a five-mile parade route through the downtown district to welcome the National League team which until 21 days ago belonged to Boston. The roaring reception was one none of the players ever will forget.

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In spite of only a fair attendance, the youngsters gave all they had and players and fans really enjoyed it all. After the four games the evening concluded with a skate.

In the paperweight division the Falcons defeated the Bluebirds 1-0 while in the Pee-Wee section the Hornets took a 3-1 victory from the Canadians.

In the Bantam division the Eagles scored a 7-0 shutout over the Whirlwinds while the Mid-gets section saw the Aces defeat the Parkers 6-3.

Following are the lineups and summary of the various games:

Paperweights
Bluebirds: Goal, Rollie McIntyre; defence, Ronnie Rice, Gordon Blanchard, Donnie Burns, Jimmie Campbell; forwards, Alan McKinnon, B. Richard, Gordon Whitlock, Clifton Pound, Michael McKinnon, Louis Flood, Jerry Myers, Bobby Wright, Donald Stewart. Coach, Allan McKinnon, Sr.

Falcons: Goal, J. Davis; defence, T. Johnson, L. Coffin, D. Tanton, R. Goss; forwards, R. Biggar, D. Lee, F. Burke, Frizzell, E. Trendenick, MacDonald, V. Frizzell, G. Meredith. Coach, Willard Coffin.

First Period
1—Falcons, Burke, (Lee) 9:50

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