

Manitoba Juniors Lose Opener

Long Branch Wins 10-5

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LONG BRANCH, Ont. — A train-weary group of Winnipeg All-Stars were no match for the high-flying Long Branch Monarchs as they went down to a 10-5 defeat at the hands of the home club at Long Branch bowl in the first game of the Minto Cup final for the junior lacrosse championship of Canada.

They were further handicapped by the loss of star Teddy Derrett who suffered an unfortunate accident, spraining his ankle during the practice session Monday afternoon he was rushed to St. Joseph's Hospital for X-rays and treatments and it is not known whether he will be available for the second game here on Wednesday night or not.

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The replacement players as sanctioned by the Canadian Lacrosse Assoc. played a great part in the Long Branch victory. Donnie Baker picked up from Newmarket and Bert Russell of Brampton scored important first half goals and Baker also scored in a later effort. Nuggetts McLaughlin another ex Bramptonite had three assists to his credit.

The Westerners played a semi-defensive type of game for the first half of the contest in an effort to test any Long Branch weakness but could not solve the tightly knit defense. Anytime they did manage to get past the defensive quartet Porky Russell in the Monarchs net came across with several brilliant saves especially in the opening stanza when he made two stops in pass from Barry Aldcorn and Joe Hunt which could have made a complete change in the style of play as it was the teams had to settle for a 1-1 tie after 25 minutes, Joe Hunt took a close in pass from Barry McQueen to beat Russell. Moments later Paul Henderson scored the first of four goals throughout the game as he rifled a shot passed Mike Tymchystyn from the 15 foot line.

Aldcorn and Johnny Coleman had themselves a slight feud which finally resulted in their being given roughing penalties and when they came out of the penalty box still shouting at one another the coaches wisely kept them apart for the rest of the night.

It wasn't until the last half of the game the leg weariness finally caught up to the visitors as Long Branch opened up with an offensive style of play. The Winnipeggers tried to match strides but found the going just too fast and Long Branch pulled into an unsurmountable lead. Henderson scored three times but the main downfall of the Westerners was their inability to properly handle passes and finally being able to score but one goal when Long Branch was short in the dying moments of the third quarter.

Coach Johnny Arondeus, despite the defeat, was optimistic about the future of the series as he said "We can promise Long Branch a stiffer battle on Wednesday night when the boys have had a chance



From the Sidelines

by VINCE LEAH

New Westminster Royals have a long and glorious career in Canadian soccer. They were especially brilliant in the early 20's and while they have had their lean years they have made a lasting contribution to the game's tradition in this country.

They won the national crown in 1928, 1930, 1931, 1936 and 1953. No other team owns such a record of achievement.

The 1955 edition is in town tonight to meet IPAC in the Western final under floodlights at Winnipeg Stadium. We have reports that this is a good Royal team and we may have to install them as favorites to reach the FAC final with Montreal Ukraina who scored a hollow victory over Toronto Ulster United when the Red-handers declined to play overtime Monday in the third game of the Eastern final.

This was rather unfortunate finish to the Eastern playoff. From reading too many Toronto papers we had installed Ulster as favorites to win the Carling trophy, but Montreal must have been a sleeper.

IPAC appreciate they have a fight on their hands but they have youth, hustle and are of good physique. The Northsiders may make it rather warm for the classy Far Westerners.

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There is nothing wrong with the Blue Bombers that a victory or two can't cure. We overheard a conversation at Monday noon in which Al Sherman was labelled a first-class bum, who should be fired; he didn't know a football player when he saw one and the Bombers wouldn't win a game all season. This, of course, is stupid, almost infantile thinking. But how quick are the wolves to climb on the bandwagon when things break right?

If Bombers win consistently from here in all the early-season misfortune will be forgotten. Human nature is a remarkable item. Nothing succeeds like success. We are more convinced than ever that this town, like a lot of others, has no use for the fellow whose luck is all bad.

Few people stop to figure out a situation before they talk about it. The loss of Bob McNamara hurt the Bombers more than anything. You just do not lose a man of his calibre and not have an over-all effect on the entire team, its system and its morale. McNamara was hailed as the take-charge guy, the team leader and it appeared before Monday night the Bombers had nobody to lean on when things went wrong.

We hope the Bombers win every ruddy game from here in, just to shush the people who are so quick to kick a man when he is down they overlook the team's glorious record of years gone by.

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If things aren't tough enough in the Western Junior Hockey league, Regina Pats now find they are the only Saskatchewan team in the loop now that Moose Jaw begged out after the arena was destroyed by fire. Pro hockey in Regina also may hurt the Pats financially. Ernie (Regina Leader-Post) Fedoruk notes the unfortunate loss of Canucks means Pats' travelling expenses this year will increase two-fold. The league's other centres, Medicine Hat, Lethbridge and Edmonton, makes the four-team circuit a far-flung empire. None of them appears likely to reap a bundle. Crowds of 1,500 to 2,000 will be needed regularly for each club to break even.

"Pats are confident they'll stick through to '56. They have a big re-building chore to do and have already indicated they may deviate from their normal course and bring in an import or two. "Pats Lose five players from last year's western championship club by graduation. They are Bev Bell, Bill Kurtz, Frank Wappel, Danny Wong and Harvey Flaman. At least five other players, including goalie Joe Selinger, who are still eligible for junior, are bound for various U.S. colleges and further education.

Among these is centre Bill Hay, by far the outstanding figure on either team in the Memorial Cup final against Toronto Marlboros. Rumors persist, however, that Hay prefers hockey to books and may wind up with Winnipeg Warriors of the Western pro league."

Eddie Reigle to Coach North Bay

NORTH BAY, Ont. (CP)—Eddie Reigle, 31, Monday was appointed coach of North Bay Trappers of the Northern Ontario Hockey Association. In professional hockey for 10 years, Reigle comes to North Bay from a defence spot with Cleveland Barons of the American Hockey League.

Rox Take Playoff

ST. CLOUD — For the first time since 1946 St. Cloud's Rox won a Northern League Shaughnessy playoff — taking Eau Claire's pennant winning Braves 6-1 Monday night in the fourth game of the best-of-five final series here.

St. Cloud suffered only one loss in the six playoff games the club played, that one to Eau Claire Sunday afternoon here. They defeated the Winnipeg Goldeyes in the semi-finals two games to none while Eau Claire was extended to three games in the Braves set with Aberdeen.

Tommy Pruett, rookie right-hander who won 13 and lost 3 in the regular season, got his second playoff triumph Monday night on a four-hit job. The only Braves run was unearned in the sixth and came without a hit. Jack Bickett walked and went to third when Jack Wigley made a wild throw after fielding Ray Reed's ground ball. He scored from there on Rog Jongewaard's sacrifice fly.

Walt Fishburn scored the first Rox run in the third, after lining a double off the left field wall. He went to third on the second base

on balls in the inning and scored when Andre Rodgers sliced a single to right.

Wigley counted the second tally in the fifth, getting life on a fielder's choice, stealing second and scoring on Leon Wagner's double to right. And the third St. Cloud counter came in the seventh when Tony Taylor singled, stole second and went to third on Jongewaard's wild throw — before Wig-

ley plated him with a sacrifice. Nine men batted in the Rox eighth and three tallied on two hits, singles by Frank Szeukia and Charley Fox. Starter Richard Dickson was lifted for a pinch-hitter in the top of the eighth and Frank Horan went out with one out and two on. George Maranda finished. Three walks a wild pitch and a wild throw aided the Rox insurance rally.

Box Score

Eau Claire	AB	R	H	O	A
Siration, 2b	4	0	0	0	2
Maloney, lf	4	0	0	1	0
Phillips, rf	4	0	1	3	0
Bickett, 3b	3	1	1	3	2
Reed, ss	4	0	1	3	1
Jongewaard, c	3	0	1	3	0
Benevides, cf	3	0	0	3	0
McColly, 1b	3	0	0	6	0
Dickson, p	2	0	0	2	1
a-Jordan	1	0	0	0	0
Horan, p	0	0	0	0	0
Maranda, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	1	4	24	6
a-Grounded out for					
Dickson in 8th					
St. Cloud	AB	R	H	O	A
Taylor, 2b	5	1	2	0	1
Wigley, 3b	3	0	1	3	3
Rodgers, ss	5	0	1	3	0
Wagner, lf	3	1	0	12	2
Kopacz, 1b	4	0	0	12	2
Szeukia, rf	4	1	2	0	0
Fox, c	4	1	1	4	0
Fishburn, cf	4	1	1	4	0
Pruett, p	3	0	0	0	3
Totals	33	6	8	27	11

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