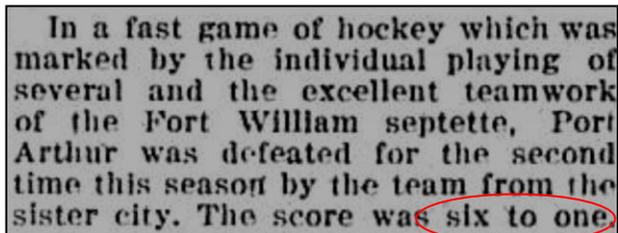


The 1917 Allan Cup Championship

From January to February 1917 four teams strived for the championship of the Thunder Bay League who would then play for the Allan Cup against five other teams. The four Thunder Bay teams consisted of the 141st Battalion, Port Arthur, Fort William, and Schreiber. Whichever team won would then be playing from February to March 1917 for the Allan Cup, won by the 61st Winnipeg Battalion in 1916. Due to last year's winner being overseas, they would be replaced by the Winnipeg Victorias and the 221st Winnipeg Battalion.

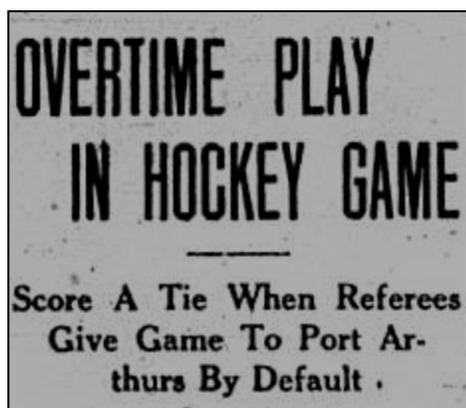
Starting on January 1st of 1917, Port Arthur was up against Fort William in a very physical game of hockey. Fort William stayed in the lead since the beginning of the game, only giving Port Arthur one goal against them during the whole game, and won with a high score of 6-1.



In a fast game of hockey which was marked by the individual playing of several and the excellent teamwork of the Fort William septette, Port Arthur was defeated for the second time this season by the team from the sister city. The score was six to one.

Port Arthur News Chronicle
January 2, 1917

After Port Arthur took the win on the fourth, the 141st Battalion went head to head against Fort William, again keeping the score tied for most of the game. Luckily they did not have to go into overtime and instead, while Fort William had a lead of 3-2 in the third period of the game, the soldiers turned the play around and scored three more goals within nine minutes left of the game, ultimately defeating Fort William

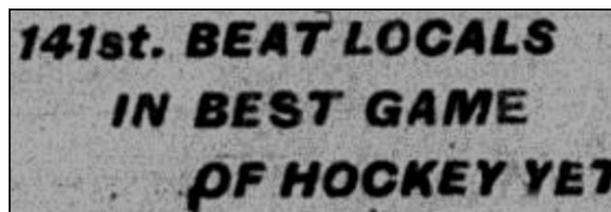


**OVERTIME PLAY
IN HOCKEY GAME**
Score A Tie When Referees
Give Game To Port Ar-
thurs By Default .

Port Arthur News Chronicle
January 5, 1917

Despite losing to Port Arthur last time by default, the 141st fought harder than ever and won in a game of 4-3 with only four penalties throughout the entire three periods. It was a good-natured game that was considered one of the best matches yet. It was much better than the game they had last played against each other in which the 141st forfeited.

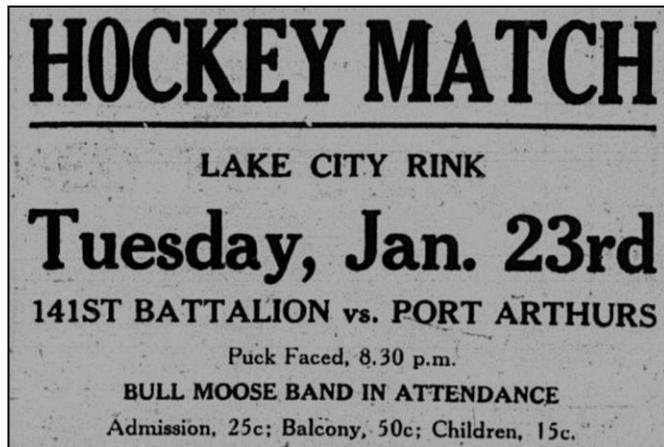
Three days after Port Arthur's loss on the first they had to play the 141st Battalion in a racing fight to win. By third period they were tied 2-2 and were forced to go into overtime. After twenty minutes of overtime with not a single goal for either team, the 141st declined the referees order to continue playing and instead accepted defeat. Port Arthur won by default and the score was changed to 2-3. It was surprising that the 141st gave up the chance to win so quickly but they still have time to regain themselves.



**141st. BEAT LOCALS
IN BEST GAME
OF HOCKEY YET**

Port Arthur News Chronicle
January 10, 1917

The 141st had an easy win against Fort William on January 16th with a winning score of 4-2 despite being short players. They decided against postponing the game after finding out four of their players would not be able to compete in the game. It seemed Fort William thought they would have an easy win with the 141st lacking their players. But, overall, it was a fair game with no penalties given out.



HOCKEY MATCH
LAKE CITY RINK
Tuesday, Jan. 23rd
141ST BATTALION vs. PORT ARTHURS
Puck Faced, 8.30 p.m.
BULL MOOSE BAND IN ATTENDANCE
Admission, 25c; Balcony, 50c; Children, 15c.

Port Arthur News Chronicle
January 22, 1917

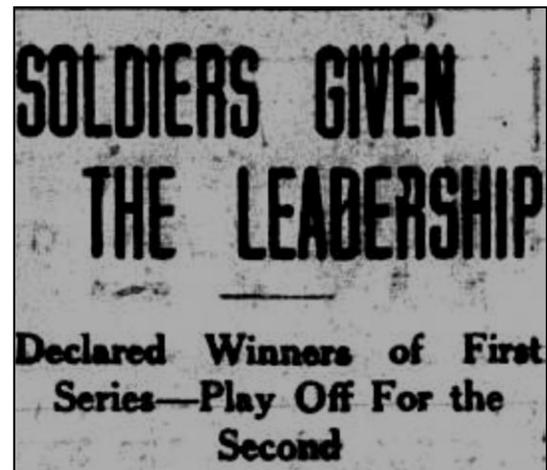
For the rest of the month and running into February the 141st took the lead winning two games and losing two. They beat both Fort William and Port Arthur with double their score. Against Fort William they had a score of 4-2 and a score of 2-1 against Port Arthur. The first loss, however, was on February 6th against Fort William with a score of 2-1 after going into overtime. The second loss was against Schreiber with a close score of 10-8 on the 12th of February.



**SOLDIERS ARE CHAMPIONS
OF THUNDER BAY LEAGUE**
141st Battalion Team Wins Local Honors and
Right to Play in West for
the Allen Cup

Port Arthur News Chronicle
February 16, 1917

After promoting a promising game of the 141st Battalion vs. Port Arthur in the Port Arthur News Chronicle (as pictured to the left) the game did have a great turn out- at least it was for the 141st. It was a thrilling fast-paced game. The teams continued to play back and forth with each of them scoring right after each other and keeping it a tied game until the end of period 2 with 141st taking the lead. Port Arthur fought to tie it up again but was unable to do so and lost to the 141st Battalion.



**SOLDIERS GIVEN
THE LEADERSHIP**
Declared Winners of First
Series—Play Off For the
Second

Port Arthur News Chronicle
February 1, 1917

In only two games the champion of the Thunder Bay League was named. After winning against both Fort William and Port Arthur once again, the 141st Battalion was going to Winnipeg to play for the Allan Cup.

The first game the 141st were set to play for the Allan Cup playoffs was on February 22nd against the Old Timers. Each time the Old Timers scored the 141st would come after them with a goal. It wasn't until a couple minutes before the game was over that the 141st scored the winning goal, changing the score to 5-4, and starting the playoffs well for themselves.

At the very end of the month in February, the 141st was set to play against the All Stars in their own city. Keeping up the same effort as the last game played they had an easy but rough win against the All Stars. They continued to score over and over again, only giving the All Stars the chance to score a handful of times. By the end of the game they had won 10-3 and we're showing their talent when it came to fighting for the Allan Cup championship.

**141st HOCKEY TEAM WINS
FROM THE ALL STARS 10-3**

**Game Started Off Well, But Got
Rough in the Second and
Third Periods**

Port Arthur News Chronicle
February 28, 1917

**141st BATTALION
HOCKEY CLUB
DANCE**
to raise funds to assist in sending the
141st Battalion hockey team to Winnipeg
to compete for the Allan Cup.
— IN —
ORPHEUM HALL
Port Arthur, on the Evening of
FRIDAY, MARCH 2
BATTALION ORCHESTRA
ADMISSION \$1.00 per Couple

Port Arthur News Chronicle
February 28, 1917

Since they had won their chance to play for the Allan Cup they needed funding to go to Winnipeg where the playoffs would be held. In order to do this, they had a Hockey Club Dance with all proceeds going to their trip to the competition. The poster for the Dance is pictured on the left. They were set to leave that week with the dates being set for the games as pictured below.

**Dates are Set For
the Allan Cup Games**

Port Arthur News Chronicle
March 5, 1917

**141ST MAKES GOOD
SHOWING AT PEG**
—
**There to Play for Allan Cup
They Catch the Approval
of the Critics**

Port Arthur News Chronicle
March 6, 1917

With enough money to go to Winnipeg the 141st made their way to the championship in early March. Their first game was against the 221st Winnipeg Battalions in which they continued their winning streak by winning a game 6-1. They fought hard and fast to win, catching an approval of critics in their fight for the Allan Cup.

After winning the first game against the 221st, the 141st had to play the Winnipeg Victorias two days later, losing their winning streak. This time they had endeavored to keep the puck out of their end during the entirety of the first half of the play, only allowing the Victorias to have one goal in, but by the second half they lost all effort and were defeated by the Manitoba team with a high score of 5-1.

Summary—
 First period—
 1—Victorias, Hughes from Pater-son, 10.06.
 2—Victorias, Chambers from Bor-land, 5.40.
 3—Victorias, O'Meara, 2.40.
 Second period—
 4—141st, Rattray, 12.16.
 5—Victorias, O'Meara, .55.
 6—Victorias, Herbert from O'Meara, .35.
 Third period—
 7—141st, Rattray, from Simon, 1.30.
 8—141st, Rattray, from White, 5.50.
 8—141st, McGorman, 7.40.

Port Arthur News Chronicle
 March 10, 1917

**141ST TEAM LOSES
 BY FIVE TO ONE**

**Held Victorias Close in First
 Half but Weakened To-
 wards the Finish**

Winnipeg, March 7—The Winnipeg Victorias, winners of the Manitoba league and defenders of the Allan cup, defeated the 141st battalion team, of der Bay league, here tonight **5 to 1** in the first game of a series of two for the amateur hockey title. Playing on

Port Arthur News Chronicle
 March 8, 1917

Two days after their second game against the Winnipeg Victorias the 141st had to play them once again. They lost again, but this time they really set out to win. After losing the first half of the game with a score of 5-1, they pushed harder than ever putting three more goals in before the final buzzer. Despite losing by one goal with the final score being 5-4, they fought hard and didn't give up. Sadly, because of this loss, they were unable to continue playing for the Allan Cup.

With the Victorias in the lead, they continued on to play in the cup for championship. After beating the Easterners in a game of 6-3 they tied the scoring for the champion and had to travel down to Toronto to play them in a final game to decide the champion. The victor of the Allan Cup was Toronto, bringing the cup home with pride.

Despite losing the 141st Battalion worked hard to compete in the Allan Cup playoffs. Last year they did not put in as much of an endeavor, but this year they completely turned themselves around and surprised all their fans. Even just becoming one of the finalists to be able to travel to Winnipeg for the Allan Cup was a feat in itself.