Belmonts, Esquires knotted for lead

Sweep twin bills at home, Kitimat

Prince Rupert's Belmont Hotel and Esquire Menswear were tied atop the new Northern British Columbia Baseball league today after sweeping season-opening doubleheaders at Roosevelt Park here and at Kitimat yesterday.

Belmonts downed Hazelton 9-1 and 1-0 at home, while Esquires clobbered Kitimat 13-4 and 8-1 in the smelter city.

SPLIT AT TERRACE

In other league action Terrace and Smithers split their twin bill with Smithers winning the nine-inning game 8-4 and Terrace taking the nightcap 2-1.

At Kitimat, Doug Ruttan hurled Esquires to the 13-4 win at the expense of Kitimat's Dale Orr plus a big assist from Darrel Young who hit 2 for 3 times at bat, including a two-run homer, and Danny Bill who hit safely twice in four times at bat.

GRAND SLAM HOMER

Esquires' Gordy Cameron not only pitched himself a winning game in the 8-1, seven-inning debacle, but also collected top hitting honors when he blasted a grand-slam home run in his first time at bat.

At Roosevelt Park, Parks Commission chairman H. S. Harrison threw the first ball to local association president Sparky Smith, to open the season officially.

In pre-game ceremonies Mr. Harrison introduced members of the Parks Commission which has spent several thousand dollars in improving the ballpark. Introduced to a fair-sized opening game crowd were commissioners Walter J. Smith, Dr. R. B. Smith, Jack Lem, Ray Giordano and Carl Andren.

13-HIT ATTACK

In the nine-inning fixture between Hazelton and Belmonts, Al Adams held down the visitors to three safeties while his teammates mounted a 13-hit attack against the offerings of Hazeltons "Ski" Johnson.

Johnson, who collected two of his team's singles, struck out 12 Belmont players, walked two and hit one man with a pitched ball.

Adams fanned seven and walked two.

Main weakness of the Hazelton crew was their catchers arms and reaction time. Belmonts stole 10 bases on regular catcher Pete Heit and Benny McKenzie who took over Hazelton receiving chores in the bottom of the seventh.

Singles by Dick Specht (3 for 5), Bill Smith (2 for 3), player manager Joe Giordano (2 for 5), John Olsen (2 for 5) and Bob Adams, did the rest.

Belmonts got a singleton in the second after John Lambie was hit by a pitched ball, went to second when Brian Kangas grounded out, went to third on a passed ball and came home when Bob Adams singled.

BIG INNING

The hotelmen broke loose again in the sixth with two out and pitcher Al Adams on first from an error. Specht singled, Smith was given an intentional pass and Giordano singled. Adams home. John Olsen belted the third single of the inning to plate Smith and Giordano.

In the seventh Specht singled, stole second, went to third when Smith hit safely and came home with Smith on Olsen's second single of the day. Olsen stole second, went to third on Lambie's hit and Bob Adams singled Olsen home. Lamble was out at the plate coming home.

The local squad added another pair of runs in the eighth with two away, after Specht singled and stole second, Smith walked and Specht was brought home by Giordano's single. Giordano stole second and Smith scored on an error.

Hazelton finally got on the scoreboard and with the aid of Adams' team mates spoiled the Belmont pitcher's shutout.

With one away Toby Marshall walked, Benny McKenzie was safe on an error, went to second on an overthrow and Marshall rounded third and headed home. The throw to home was off and when Giordano recovered he threw wild to Adams at the plate and Marshall was safe.

NO EXTRA BASES

Despite offers of $10 for home runs by Belmont Hotel and Spence and Matuik, no-one hit for extra bases in either game. Both Hazelton and Belmonts left eight men each stranded on the base paths.

In the seven-inning half of the doubleheader, John Lambie handcuffed the visitors for one hit and good fielding by his team-mates prevented any runs. Lambie faced 27 men, struck out four, walked four.

Hs opponent Gary Marshall, faced only 25 men, gave up four hits, fanned seven, walked three and hit one batter.

Hazelton left five men on the bases, Belmonts six.

Belmonts scored the lone run of the game after Adams and David Allen singled, Webber singled loading the bests and Specht was hit by a pitched ball, bringing in Adams.

Linescores:

Hazelton	—000 000 001—	1	3	3
Belmonts	—010 030 32x—	9	13	4

Johnson and Heit, McKenzie; Adams and Giordano.

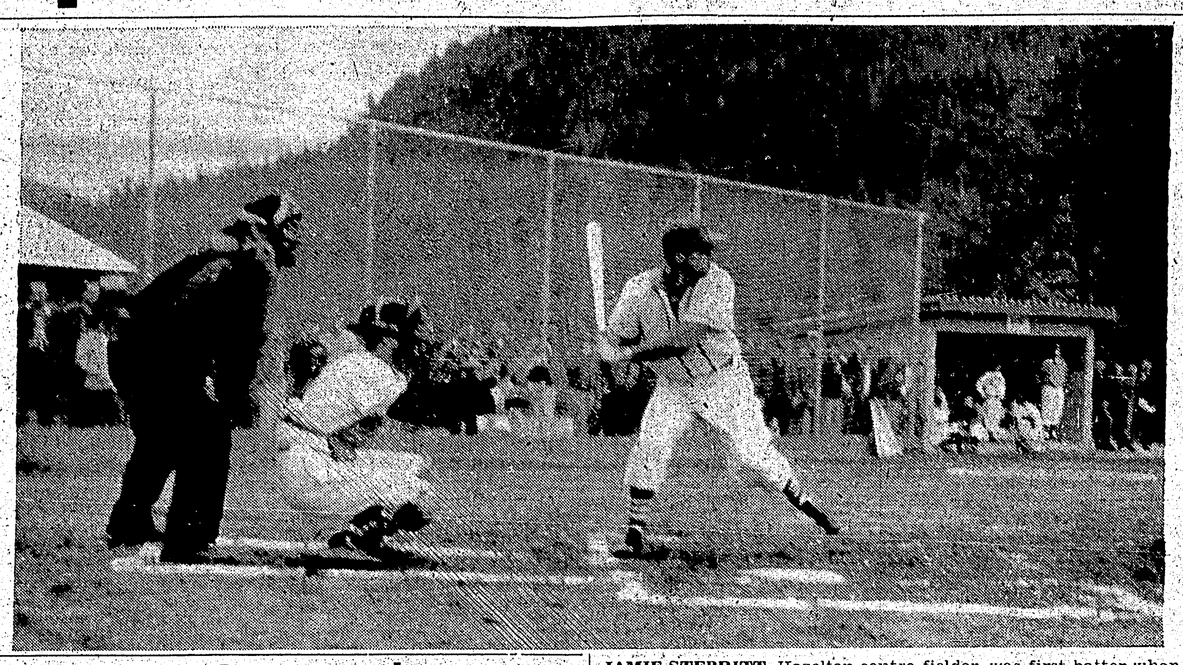
Hazelton	— 000 000 0—	0	1	0
Belmonts	— 010 000 x—	1	4	1

Marshall and McKenzie; Lambie and Giordano.

Umpires: Letourneau, Windle, Kerr.

Standings

	W	L
Belmonts	2	0
Esquires	2	0
Smithers	1	1
Terrace	1	1
Hazelton	0	2
Kitimat	0	2



JAMIE STERRITT, Hazelton centre fielder, was first batter when Northern British Columbia Baseball league opened 1961 season with doubleheader at Roosevelt Park yesterday. Twin bill saw Belmonts trim visiting Hazelton nine 9-1 in nine-inning affair and 1-0 in seven-inning game. Behind the plate is Belmonts' catcher and playing manager Joe Giordano and umpire-in-chief Andy Letourneau. — Staff photo by Dick Ayres

Prince George boxers on Pan-Pacific team

DRAYTON VALLEY, Alta. (CP)—Eight boxers Saturday night were selected as possible members of a Canadian team to attend the Pan-Pacific Games scheduled for Honolulu August 20 to September 3.

First choice of the selectors was Vancouver's Lindy Lindmoser, Canadian light-heavyweight champion.

Others named included Alphonse Chabot of Prince George, B.C., in the 132-pound lightweight class, with alternate Gabriele Mancini of Montreal.

In the 125-pound featherweight class, the committee selected Marcel Bellefeuille of Montreal, while Colin Fraser of Toronto was named to contest the 139-pound light-welterweight division.

Jerry Palmer of Vulcan, Alta., and alternate Tom Hibbert of Vancouver were chose in the 112-pound flyweight class.

Provision was made for a sixth member, Harold Mann of Prince George in the 156-pound light middleweight class.

Hockey great Tommy Gorman dies at 74

OTTAWA (CP) — T. P. (Tommy) Gorman long-time sports promoter and former National Hockey League coach, died in hospital today following a lengthy illness.

The Ottawa-born sports impresario, who managed seven NHL Stanley Cup teams, would have been 75 next June 9.

Major League Standings

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GBL
San Francisco	17	9	.654	-
Los Angeles	18	12	.600	1
Pittsburgh	14	11	.560	2½
Cincinnati	15	12	.556	2½
Milwaukee	11	12	.478	4½
St. Louis	11	13	.458	5
Chicago	10	16	.385	7
Philadelphia	8	19	.296	9½

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GBL
Detroit	20	9	.690	-
New York	16	10	.615	2½
Minnesota	15	12	.556	4
Baltimore	15	13	.536	4½
Cleveland	14	13	.519	5
Kansas City	10	13	.435	7
Washington	13	17	.433	7½
Chicago	11	15	.423	7½
Boston	10	15	.400	8
Los Angeles	9	16	.360	9

PCL Standings

	W	L	Pct.	GBL
Seattle	19	7	.731	-
Vancouver	15	8	.652	2½
Portland	11	12	.478	6½
Tacoma	9	10	.474	6½
Spokane	12	14	.462	7
Hawaii	12	15	.444	7½
San Diego	11	16	.407	8½
Salt Lake	9	16	.360	9½

Baseball scores

Pittsburgh 13, Cincinnati 5
San Francisco 8, Milwaukee 5
Philadelphia 3, St. Louis 1
Los Angeles 7, Chicago 3

Sunday

Chicago 10, Los Angeles 11 (11 innings)
San Francisco 8, Milwaukee 7
Cincinnati 4, Pittsburgh 1
Philadelphia 6, St. Louis 4

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Sunday

Washington 3-2, Boston 0-1
Kansas City 1-5, Chicago 6-3
New York 5-8, Detroit 4-6
Cleveland 1-6, Baltimore 0-4
Minnesota 4, Los Angeles 3

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Saturday

Seattle 7, Tacoma 0
Portland 6, San Diego 5
Salt Lake at Vancouver (2 ppd., rain)
Hawaii 5, Spokane 4

Sunday

Vancouver, 5-1, Salt Lake City 0-5.
Tacoma 7, Seattle 2
San Diego 2-4, Portland 1-1
Spokane 4, Hawaii 1 (2nd game, rain)

North Star, ICC Eagles launch soccer tourney

Play in the Operating Engineers trophy competition, staged annually by the Prince Rupert Football association, starts Wednesday night when North Star and ICC Eagles meet in the beginning of a knockout tournament.

On Saturday, May 20, Northwest Floors meet New Royals and on Sunday, May 21, Alyansh Luckies take on the winner of the North Star vs Eagles game.

Monday, May 22 will see the winners of the Saturday game play the winners of the Sunday game in the finals.

Should North Star or ICC Eagles make the final, the final of the Operating Engineers Trophy competition will be held over until June 14, to avoid confusion with the beginning of the regular league schedule.

League play gets underway Wednesday, May 24, with North Star slated to meet ICC Eagles.

Remainder of the schedule is as follows:

Saturday, May 27 Alyansh vs Northwest Floors.

Sunday, May 28 New Royals vs North Star.

Wednesday, May 31 ICC Eagles vs Alyansh Luckies.

Saturday, June 3 Northwest Floors vs New Royals.

Sunday, June 4 North Star vs Alyansh.

Wednesday, June 7 ICC Eagles vs Northwest.

Saturday, June 10 Alyansh vs New Royals.

Sunday, June 11 Northwest vs North Star.

Babs Sheppard tops women

Barbara Sheppard of Fishmongers topped the women's division of the Mixed Spring League bowling play Wednesday with a high single game of 276.

Women's high three went to Peg Thompson of Van's Bakery.

Jack Mitchell of Radio Cabs took all the men's honors with a high single of 335 and high three of 189. Jack's made a clean sweep of team honors with high single of 1319 and 3638. To date the high average are held by Lil Cavenaile with 207 and Bert Edgar with 234, both of Yukon Jewellers.

The 26 teams in the league have been split into A and B League with A League bowling at 7 p.m. this week and B League at 9 p.m.

Teams in A League are Commercial Hotel, Van's Bakery, Paul's, Jacks, Radio Cabs, Fashion Footwear, Nish Van Meer, Ever Readies, Kurdziel, Yukon Jewellers, Hogan's Alley, Legion and Knyettes.

B League teams are Les Girls, P.R. Credit Union, Kaien Credit Union, Fishmongers, The Sports, Extras, CSAC, Dibbs, Ormes, Robgis, Rupert Taxi, Miller Bay Thunderbirds and Ken's Newsstand.

Advertising in The Daily News Brings Results

City swimmers place in northwest meet

VANCOUVER (CP) — Two Prince Rupert contestants placed in the annual Northwest International and age group swimming meet here at the weekend.

Gordon Eby was third in the boys 13-14 100 meters back stroke and Vito Dunford was third in the boys 10 and under 50 meters butterfly.

Dunford placed second in the 10 and under 50 meters breast stroke and second in the 10 and under 50 meters freestyle while Eby came fourth in the boys 13-14 100 meters butterfly.

Prince Rupert Swim Club was tied in seventh place with Victoria in the final team standings.

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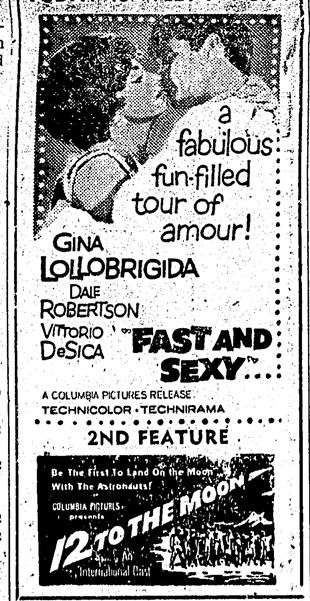

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