# Two rinks on top in school curling

## B.C. loses 6-5 to Saskatchewan

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PRINCE GEORGE (CP) — Johnny Williams of Edmonton and Bob Friesen of Winnipeg today share top spot in the 1961 Canadian High School Curling championships here with unblemished 4-0 records.

With Williams drawing a bye in the fifth round, scheduled to start at 2:30 p.m. PST today, Friesen has a glorious opportunity to jump into sole possession of the lead when he meets Bill VanIderstine's News Brunswick foursome.

Williams and his rink from Edmonton's St. Joseph High School then clash with the Friesen four in tonight's sixth round in the crucial test of the week-long championships.

In other fifth-round matches, Nova Scotia meets Saskatchewan, Ontario is sent against Newfoundland, Quebec tangles with Northern Ontario and British Columbia meets Prince Edward Island.

Williams has been severely tested only once so far, in subduing Mike Lukofich's Saskatchewan champions from Speers in the second round.

**ALWAYS IN COMMAND**

But in that match and the others he has played, the compact 17-year-old skip has rolled along in command of every situation.

His draw game has been sensational and his knockout play has left little to be desired since the opening round.

Meanwhile Friesen has been extended in three of his four matches and was pressed continually in the fourth by lightly-regarded Prince Edward Island

Holding down third place after four complete rounds was British Columbia's Jerry Caughlin from Oliver. He dropped a spine-tingling 6-5 decision to Lukowich in the fourth round to tumble from the undefeated ranks.

Lukowich, Mike Hrycko from Arvida, Que., and Sandy McLeod's Nova Scotia champions from Sydney Academy follow with 2-2 records.

Ron Bobbie of Kitchener-Waterloo, Bill Thompson from Red Lake, Ont., and Bill VanIderstine's New Brunswick champions own 1-2 marks. Prince Edward Island is 0-3 and Newfoundland 0-4.

With the ice getting keener and most rinks well past the jitters stage, competition in all matches began to tighten. The smaller curlers started to show their stuff in Tuesday night's fourth round after finding the going tough on heavy ice in the first three.

The B.C.-Saskatchewan match highlighted Tuesday's play. Caughlin was just inches short of his final rock in an attempted draw to the button to cut out the game-winning counter.

In other matches Quebec, coming into its own after dropping its first two matches, humbled Ontario 15-4, Nova Scotia levelled its record with a 13-9 triumph over Newfoundland and Alberta and Manitoba fought back stubborn opposition from two Maritime entries, Williams nipping New Brunswick 8-5 and Friesen stopping Prince Edward Island 8-6.

STORMY WEATHER — The Manitoba Curling Association Bonspiel in Winnipeg long has been billed as the world's biggest — this year's edition drew 467 rinks of four men each. It also has been known as coming in a time of unusually mild wid-winter weather — the traditional "bonspiel thaw". This was particularly serious in the days when the big event was played on natural ice, not artificial ice as it is now. But Elmer Ketola demonstrates the modern effects of the thaw as he holds an umbrella over skip Bob Stannard of Winnipeg's Elmwood Club. He's trying to protect the skip from condensation streaming from the roof as the outside temperature rises above 35 degrees, reacting with the cool air inside to form moisture. — CP Photo

## Vancouver moves up in WHL race

By The Canadian Press

Calgary Stampeders' formula for success is sheer power.

The Western Hockey League leaders displayed this Tuesday night against the lethargic Edmonton Flyers and gained a resounding 7-1 victory. The win extended their lead over the second-place Portland Buckaroos to five points.

Meanwhile, the third place Vancouver Canucks moved to within a point of Portland by edging the sixth-place Victoria Cougars 2-1 in overtime.

Two of the best reasons Calgary is leading the league—Ron Leopold and Lou Jankowski — reachd the 40-goal mark for the season as Leopold scored twice and Jankowski once in Calgary's romp.

Veteran Sid Finney also got two goals to bring his lifetime scoring mark to 297 goals.

Other Calgary marksmen were defencemen Fred Hucul and Ed Van Impe.

Rookie Bruce MacGregor got Edmonton's only goal in the third period after Calgary had run up a 6-0 lead.

**ROOKIE UNTESTED**

Another rookie, Calgary netminder Art Lariviere played a steady game but was only required to make 19 stops, nine of them in the first period.

Dennis Riggin kicked out 40 in the Edmonton net.

The Cougars had the greater number of scoring opportunities at Victoria but the Canucks came through with the important victory.

Bruce Carmichael got it for them when he scored after 75 seconds in the overtime period.

Vancouver took a 1-0 lead in the tight-checking game when Larry Popein scored in the second period. The Cougars tied the score when Gerry Goyer got his 25th goal of the season with only four minutes remaining in regulation time.

## Smoke Eaters swamp Czechs

PRAGUE (AP) — Trail Smoke Eaters won their fifth game in a row in Czechoslovakia Tuesday by overwhelming a Czech junior team 7-1.

The victory was the Smoke Eaters' 11th in 14 exhibition games to date. They have lost two and tied one.

The touring Canadians now go to East Germany for a game Friday against a team in Werwasser. After that, they are to play single games in West Germany and Italy before the opening of the World Hockey Championships in Switzerland.

After a scoreless first period, the Smoke Eaters fired home four unanswered goals in the second period and outscored the Czechs 3-1 in the third.

## Rupert Hotel whips Parker's 13-4 in one-sided floor hockey battle

Prince Rupert Hotel whipped Bob Parker's 13-4 in a one-sided senior floor hockey battle at the Civic Centre last night.

Missing the services of two star junior players, Jack Martin and Skip Cronck, Parker's lacked the polish and spark of previous games.

They held up well to the pressure put on them by the powerful Rupert club for the first seven minutes as they allowed only one goal.

But in the later stages of the first period as Rupert pumped three goals past Parker's goalie Ray Windle to hold a 4-0 lead when the buzzer sounded. Rupert outshot Parker's 26-8 in the first period and 66-38 for the entire game.

Parker's got their first goal when the second period was four seconds old as Jim Murdock scored from the face-off.

Heavy body checking was evident in the second period and tempers began to wear a little thin.

Parker's picked up a bit of speed in the second frame and tallied three goals.

Rupert dumped in four goals to carry an 8-3 margin into the last period.

It was the hotelmen all the way in the third. They put on a powerhouse display and outscored Parker's 5-1.

Rupert's Ron Tsuji played his usual brilliant game. He stopped fast, slow and dribbling shots and almost everything that Parker's threw at him.

Moe Dean paced the hotelmen with six goals while Murdock and Len Alexcee accounted for Parker's total score with two goals each.

Ormes Drugs took a 9-8 decision from Philpott Evitt in the junior battle.

The druggists led 2-1 in the first period but faltered in the second as Philpott overcame the deficit with a three-goal splurge to carry a 4-3 margin into the final period.

However, Ormes broke loose for six goals in the third frame to wrap up the win.

Both goalies turned in good performances with Ormes' Allen Mah handling 34 shots and Philpott's Ernie Baines handling 50.

Teddy Holder led the druggists with four goals while Larry Veitch was top marksman for Philpott also scoring four.

**Goal Scorers**

Prince Rupert Hotel (13) — Dean 6, B. Fitzgerald 2, Basso 1, Didychuk 2, Dorash 1 and Bodger 1.

Bob Parker's (4)—Murdock 2, and Alexcee 2.

Ormes (9)—Specht 1, Morrison 1, Paolinelli 2, Cazes 1 and Holder 4.

Philpott Evitt (8)—Erickson 2, Specht 1, Veitch 4 and Helland 1.

## Charnley retains lightweight title

STREATHAM, England (AP) — Dave Charnley of England retained his European lightweight championship Tuesday night by outpointing French champion Fernand Nollet in a 15-round bout. Charnley weighed 134¼ pounds, Nollet 135.

In the last round, Charnley battered Nollet with a right hook and followed up with vicious two-handed punching that had the Frenchman staggering.

Charnley, No. 1 challenger for Joe Brown's world title, is scheduled to meet Brown in a title fight in London April 10.

## Five high schools set for zone hoop playoffs

The B.C. High School Basketball Northwest Zone playoffs for both boy's and girl's teams will get underway at the Prince Rupert Senior High School tomorrow night.

Five schools will battle in the three-day playoffs to determine who will represent this zone in the B.C. championship tournament to be held in Vancouver during March.

Each school — Ocean Falls, Terrace, Hazelton, Kitimat and Prince Rupert — will have both a boy's team and a girl's team entered in the playoffs.

Winner of the girl's playoffs will enter the championships at Vancouver March 9-11 while the boy's winner will play at Vancouver March 15-18.

This year's playoffs will mark the first appearance of Ocean Falls in many years. Scouting reports have not been available of the pulp city's teams and they could prove to be the surprises of the tourney.

Local high school students are staging a pep rally at the high school Friday afternoon and a banquet for all team members Friday evening.

The playoffs will feature quarter-finals Thursday, semi-finals Friday and finals on Saturday. It is a sudden-death series with a consolation round. Losers automatically lose the chance to gain a berth in the provincial championships but will play in the consolation round to give them more than one game.

Tomorrow at 7 p.m. Kitimat will battle Hazelton in the quarter-finals of the girl's series. Hazelton, Ocean Falls and Prince Rupert were given a bye into Friday's semi-finals.

At 8:30 p.m. tomorrow, Prince Rupert will tangle with Kitimat in the quarter - finals of the boy's series. Hazelton, Terrace and Ocean Falls were given the bye into the semi-finals.

Rupert and Kitimat recently met in an exhibition series here. The local team won, but only by a few points and it took an extreme effort.

Tickets may be bought at the door or from any high school student. A tournament ticket which entitles the holder to watch all 12 games is on sale for $2.50. This works out to about 21 cents a game — a cheap price to watch the best of high school basketball in the northwest.

## Last Night's Fights

Miami Beach, Fla. (AP)— Cassius Clay, 190, Louisville, Ky., stopped Donnie Fleeman, 184, Dallas, Tex. (7).

Oakland, Calif. (AP)—Luis Rodriguez, 137½, Cuba, stopped Lyle Mackin, 140½, Oakland (5).

Santa Cruz, Calif. (AP)— Harry Campbell, 136, San Jose, Calif., outpointed Dave Camacho, 138½, Mexico, (10).

## B.C. player signs

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Southpaw pitcher Ted Bowsfield of Penticton, signed with Los Angeles Angels Tuesday for the 1961 American League season. Bowsfield, 26, was drafted from Cleveland Indians.

## Women's loop shares honors

All honors in B section of the Women's Five - Pin Bowling League were shared during the league action February 14.

Wally Symington of McRae Motors won the high single with 261 while Dordie Sheppard of McLean and Rudderham rolled a 662 high three.

CNRA captured the team high single with 949 while Fashion picked up the team high three with 2,481.

In A section Ellen Fitzgerald of Van's Bakery was the big gun. Ellen scored a 280 high single and a 748 high three which was a large contributing factor in the fact that her team grabbed high three with 2,944.

Good Neighbors took the team high single honor with 1,057.

Results:

Section A—Sports Shop 4, Big Sisters 0; Van's 4, Stars 0; New Laurel 3, hop Easy 1; Clausens 3, Dibbs 1; Annettes 3, Terminal Lunch 1; and Good Neighbors 3, PRFCU 1.

Section B— McLean & Rudderham 4, Greenhorns 0; McRae Motors 3, Co-op 1; Fashion 3, CNRA 1; Saanich 3, Kelly's Kids 1; Kaien Credit Union 2, Starters 2; and Five Pins 2, Cook's 2.

Trenton, N.J. (AP)— Mel Collins, 157¾, Trenton, outpointed Jimmy Hopkins, 160¾, Philadelphia, (10).

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