Belmonts, Terrace tied on top

RENAULTS' right - fielder Roger Truscott goes down swinging in bottom of first inning yesterday as Pony League opened with farm team game. Luckies' catcher Larry Brown receives the ball while umpire Joe Pageot calls the balls and strikes. — Staff photo by Dick Ayres.

Luckies, Gyros take Pony League openers

Prince Rupert Pony League got off to a damp start yesterday afternoon at Roosevelt Park as Old Empress Luckies defeated Renaults 11-10 and Gyros clobbered Moose 8-3 in a doubleheader before a small crowd.

Traditional tossing of the first ball was capably handled by Mrs. Stella Dudoward whose son Henry plays left field for the Luckies.

Pony League president Bill Skyrme presented Mrs. Dudoward with a small memento of the occasion and declared the league open.

In the first game Luckies held Renaults scoreless for four innings while they tallied a pair of runs in the second and fourth frames. Renaults finally caught up with Victor Yamamoto's slants to plate four runs in each of the next two innings while holding the Hotelmen to two runs for an 8-4 lead. Luckies had the game all but wrapped up in the seventh when they counted six runs for the lead and had retired two tiremen before the Renaults tied the game again.

However last year's cellar team was not to be denied its revenge from 1960 and the hotelmen scored the winner in the eighth to tally the 11-10 victory.

Yamamoto gave up 9 hits in posting the victory while loser Dave Pitre was nicked for 10 safeties.

The final game between Moose and Gyros got off to a rather shaky start as Moose had a tough time retiring Gyros in the first two innings. Gyros won the game 8-3 after scoring six runs in the opening frames.

From the third stanza on however, they were held hitless as Jerry Jeffery relieved starter Ron Sebastion and but for a few lapses when walks and errors plated two runs in the third and fourth, had the winners in his hip pocket.

Wayne Haldane on the mound for the Gyro nine was never in much trouble as he limited the Moose to five scattered hits and struck out 11.

Big blows of the games were a threerun homer by Jun Yamamoto for Luckies in the first game and a triple by John Dopson of Gyros in the finale.

Linescores:

Luckies	010 102 6 1	11	10	0
Renaults	000 044 2 0	10	9	2

V. Yamamoto and L. Brown; Pitre and Chueden, Truscott (8).

Moose	001 020 0	3	4	7
Gyros	241 100 x	8	4	2

Sebastion, Jeffery (2) and Ogilvie; Haldane and Elchuk.

Next game sees Paramounts play Elks at 7 p.m. tomorrow at Roosevelt Park.

Esquires dumped near basement

Belmonts and Terrace were tied for first place at the top in the Northern British Columbia Baseball league today after Terrace swept a doubleheader here and Belmonts split a twin bill at Smithers in Sunday afternoon games.

The Terrace squad took Esquires into camp 8-3 and 8-4 and at Smithers the home team took the first game from Belmonts 4-0 and the hotelmen finally won the seven-inning fixture 8-7 in 13 innings.

In Hazelton Sunday, the home team swept the doubleheader from Kitimat. No scores are available.

	W	L
Belmonts	4	1
Terrace	4	1
Hazelton	3	2
Smithers	3	3
Esquires	2	3
Kitimat	0	5

Here at Roosevelt Park, Terrace's Alf Davey cast a gloomy spell over Rusty Ford's Esquires in both games.

In the first, as a shortstop, Davey hit three for three accounting for two runs. He was aided and abetted by rightfielder Reg Dempster, who hit safely four times in five times at bat, including a homer off the first pitch, and third baseman Rich Olson who also hammered out a roundtripper.

In the second game, as the winning pitcher, Davey held Esquires to five hits, struck out 11 clothiers and at bat belted out three hits in five trips to the plate, one of them a threerun homer which tied up the game at 4-4 in the seventh inning of the scheduled seven-inning game which went 10 innings.

Bob Miller was the winner of the first game. He relieved starter Robert Melvin in the third with one out, and Terrace ahead 3-1. In 2 1/3 innings, Melvin struck out four, gave up one hit and walked one. Miller in four innings, struck out six, walked five, gave up three hits. He was relieved on the mound by Howie Enmark with one out in the seventh and in 2 2/3 innings struck out three, gave up one hit and walked two.

Losing pitcher Bill Donaldson, who was replaced by Gordy Cameron in the top of the fourth, allowed seven hits, struck out two and walked one in 3 2/3 innings. Cameron went on to be nicked for six hits, strike out five and walk one in 5 1/3 innings. Donaldson was the only Esquires' batter to hit for extra bases, collecting a double in the third.

In the second game Esquires' Doug Ruttan blanked Terrace for five full innings, as his team-mates scored a singleton in the first inning, two runs in the second and another single tally in the third. A single by Davey, an error, and a long single by Terrace catcher Roi Swanson, made it 4-1 in the sixth. In the seventh Davey's homer tied up the game at 4-4 and the nightcap went into extra innings.

Davey blanked Esquires from the fourth inning on, giving up only three ineffectual hits. In the top of the 10th, four well-placed singles an error and a walk, plated four more Terrace runs. In the bottom of the 10th, Davey gave up a hit to Esquire catcher Don Scherk, and then struck out the next three batters in a row.

Swanson was the other big hitter for Terrace with three for five while Scherk and left fielder Jack Mitchell hit 2 for 5 for the clothiers.

Davey gave up five hits, struck out 11, walked two Ruttan gave up 11 hits, struck out six and walked seven.

In the first game Terrace left nine men on the bases and stranded eight in the second. Esquires left 11 men on in the first game and marooned seven in the second.

Linescores:

Terrace	012 203 010	8	13	3
Esquires	100 001 100	3	5	3

Melvin, Miller (3), Enmark (7) and O'Neil; Donaldson, Cameron (4) and Scherk.

Terrace	000 001 300 4	8	11	2
Esquires	121 000 000 0	4	5	7

Davey and Swanson; Ruttan and Scherk.

Major League Standings

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GBL
San Francisco	21	12	.636	-
Los Angeles	23	14	.622	-
Pittsburg	19	12	.613	1
Cincinnati	19	15	.559	2½
Milwaukee	15	16	.484	5
St. Louis	13	16	.419	7
Chicago	12	21	.364	9
Philadelphia	9	23	.281	11½

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GBL
Detroit	25	11	.694	-
Cleveland	21	14	.600	3½
New York	18	15	.545	5½
Minnesota	18	17	.514	6½
Baltimore	18	18	.500	7
Washington	17	20	.459	8½
Boston	15	18	.455	8½
Kansas City	13	17	.433	9
Chicago	14	20	.412	10
Los Angeles	12	21	.364	11½

Baseball scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Monday

New York 8, Baltimore 2
Detroit 10, Kansas City 2
Cleveland 7, Minnesota 5
Boston 4, Chicago 1
Los Angeles 6, Washington 4

Terrace, Kitimat split first prize in ball tourney

Terrace and Kitimat split first prize in the Victoria Day baseball tournament held at Hazelton Monday when rain halted the final in the fourth inning.

Terrace was ahead 8-2 when the game was halted.

Prince Rupert Gordon and Anderson All Stars placed third after being knocked out by Terrace 0-4 and Smithers was fourth, losing to Kitimat 6-4 in the first game.

Orphans win

A six-run rally in the fourth inning helped Orphans to an 8-3 victory Friday night in a Prince Rupert Men's Softball league game at Algoma Park.

Winning pitcher was Jack Mitchell, the loser Al Cairns.

Outboarders stage races

Prince Rupert Outboard Association hydro-planers put in a full afternoon Sunday at Taylor Lake with six boats taking part in an exciting series of races in three classes.

Kitimat's Bill Jefferies had motor trouble Sunday and Terrace's Ivan Anderson was unable to compete when his motor packed it in during a test Saturday.

Other results of the Outboard Association's first race meet were:

B Hydro: First heat— Peter Sampson 4:29; Greg McLeod 4.30; second heat—Peter Sampson 4.22; Greg McLeod 4.27.

C Hydro: First heat — Otto Kniepkamp, driving Dave Martin's boat, 4.59, Ron Stewart 5.9; second heat Otto Kniepkamp 4.50, Ron Stewart 5.9.

D Hydro: Bob McDonald 4.20, Bill Saunders 4.25; second heat —Bill Saunders 4.21, Bob McDonald 4.25.

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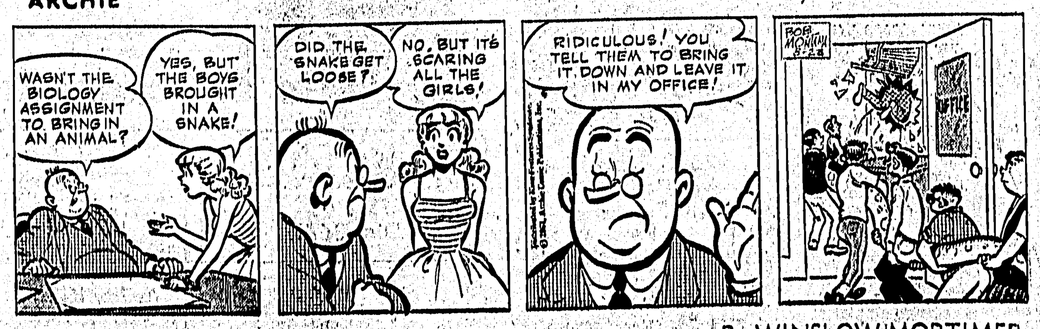
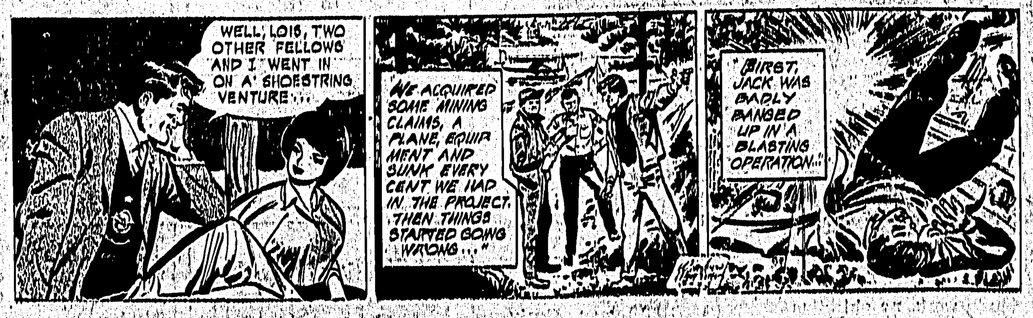
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