Hotelmen tie up hoop championship

Edge clothiers in second game

A third-quarter rally gave Savoy Hotel a narrow 65-61 victory over Fraser & Payne Saturday night at the Civic Centre and tied up the best-of-five senior basketball championship series at one game each.

Fraser & Payne had won the opening game of the series Thursday 69-68 and appeared headed by their second straight victory until Savoy broke loose for 22 points in the third quarter of Saturday's game.

They outscored the clothiers 22-15 in that frame and took the lead for the first time. They led 41-39 going into the fourth quarter.

F & P had jumped into a 14-12 lead in the first quarter and increased it to 23-19 at half-time.

But Savoy adopted the "never give up" attitude and came roaring back.

Third game of the series is scheduled for Thursday night.

Dick Specht and Jack Mitchell paced Savoy with 17 points each. Gus Nickerson and Terry Shenton led the clothiers with 17 and 16 points respectively.

F & P sunk only 10 out of 20 free throw attempts while Savoy clicked on 15 out of 22 attempts.

In the best-of-five series for the intermediate championships, Sunrise Grocery won its second straight game by edging Old Empress, Chieftains 53-51 in a tight contest.

Sunrise had whipped Old Empress by a wide margin in Thursday's game and were considered a cinch for the championship.

Sunrise is still heavily favored to win the title but may have trouble with the fired-up Empress crew during the remaining games in the series.

The grocers took a 12-7 margin in the first quarter and had a 29-22 lead at the half.

In the third quarter Chieftains came roaring back to outscore the grocers 14-7 and tie the game up 36-36.

Sunrise managed to outscore Chieftains 17-15 in the final quarter and salt away the victory.

Bob Kelsey and Derrick Slack were big guns for Sunrise with 18 and 14 points respectively while Phil Gurney topped Old Empress with 15 points.

Lineups:

Savoy (65)—Mitchell 17, Ciccone 11, Specht 17, Lemos 9, Morison 9, Young 4 and Ames 0.

Fraser & Payne (61) — Shenton 16, Nickerson 17, Howe 15, Lambie 6, Spring 6, Gurney 0 and Webber 1.

Sunrise (53) — Kelsey 1, Slack 14, Gruber 7, Dean 0, Haudenchild 0, Smith 2, Oskey 12, Rudolf 0 and Robertson 0.

Old Empress (51) — Morven 10, Gurney 15, J. Stewart 15, Leask 9, White 0, Rensvold 8 and C. Stewart 0.

Boxing club not handling wrestling show

The New Royal Boxing club is not responsible for the wrestling show scheduled to be staged in the Civic Centre March 31, Dougie McRae, manager and trainer said today.

Mr. McRae said that the boxing club is not handling tickets or sponsoring the wrestling. Tickets can be obtained from the Civic Centre, he said.

Canadiens lose to Black Hawks

CHICAGO (CP) — Montreal Canadiens lost a Stanley Cup semi-final marathon to Chicago Black Hawks early today and it infuriated coach Toe Blake.

Blake was simply "fed up" with referee Dalton McArthur after Murray Balfour's second goal broke up a spectacular goalers' duel at 12:12 of a third sudden - death overtime period. The win provided the Black Hawks with a 2-1 victory and a 2-1 lead in games in a best-of-seven series.

When the game ended, Black rushed the ice, took a swing at McArthur, missed and walked away.

ANGRY AT PENALTY

Blake's ire was apparently aroused by a tripping penalty given to Dickie Moore 28 seconds before Balfour ended the game.

The teams had toiled through 112 minutes and 12 seconds of play when the husky, Chicago winger, a Montreal castoff, scored on an eight-foot shot that went between Montreal goalie Jacques Plante's legs.

The Canadiens scored in the second overtime but McArthur ruled no-goal because the player who shot had his stick over his head.

THROWS FIRST ROCK — Ruby Merrison, president of the Women's Curling Club throws the first rock to officially launch the club's ninth annual bonspiel Saturday afternoon at the curling rink. Rock was thrown following officially opening speech by Mayor P. J. Lester and parade of curlers around the rink. Ruby's rock stopped near the button. Curlers attended a banquet Saturday night at the Armouries. Bonspiel winds up tonight. — Staff photo by Gary Oakes

No unbeaten rinks in women's 'spiel

There are no unbeaten rinks in the Women's Curling Club's Ninth Annual Bonspiel, but three local quartets and one visiting rink remain in good contention for the Grand Aggregate award.

Going into Sunday's 7 p.m. draw, Alma Whatman's rink was the only unbeaten rink with four straight wins.

But Whatman lost out to Gwen Eby's rink 8-6 in B Event and now every rink has lost at least once.

The local rinks of Helen Buchanan, Pat Anderson and Alma Bateman and the Lola Bennie rink from Terrace are all in two Events and stand good chances of winning the Grand Aggregate.

There are no real favorites in the 'spiel as last year's winner Joy Mitchell is not entered this year. But the picture will be cleared up somewhat during today's draws as the finals are set for tonight.

The rinks advanced to the fours of A Event yesterday. Buchanan is scheduled to play Anderson and Whatman will tangle with Bateman. Winners will meet for the A Event title tonight.

This means that the A Event final will pit two local quartets.

B Event is still somewhat cloudy and won't be clear until this morning's draws have been completed.

Betty Senum's local rink received the somewhat dubious honor of being the first rink knocked out of the bonspiel as they lost to Gordon 14-3 during the 9:30 p.m. draw yesterday in E Event.

The girls aren't too unhappy though, as they will receive a set of steak knives for their efforts.

Following are the results of the bonspiel from Friday's opening draw to the 9:30 p.m. draw yesterday.

FRIDAY
8 p.m.
A Event

Newton 10, Rivett 12; Whatman 13, Armstrong 5; I. Senum 9, Johnston 8; McDonald 9, Kerr 6; Anderson 13, Eby 9; and Dahl 3, Deane 15.

10:30 p.m.
A Event

Billing 6, McKeown (K) 14; Bateman 9, Schuman 8; Olsen (T) 9, Gordon 6; Merrison 6, Noel (T) 7; Bennie (T) 5, Eriksen 9; and Buchanan 9, Scott 6.

SATURDAY
8 a.m.
A Event

McKay 14, B. Senum 7.

B Event

Olsen (T) 7, Kerr 13; Armstrong 7, Rivett 10; and I. Senum 10, Dahl 9.

10:30 a.m.
B Event

McKeown 14, Deane 5; Merrison 5, Anderson 9; Eriksen 5, Newton 7; Johnson 11, Billing 6; McKay 15, Buchanan 4; and Schuman 3, Whatman 14.

1 p.m.
A Event

Eriksen 12, I. Senum 3; and Olsen 6, Rivett 5.

B Event

B. Senum 4, Bateman 11; Noel 6, Eby 10; Scott 9, McDonald 8; and Bennie 13, Gordon 6.

3:45 p.m.
A Event

Whatman 8, Noel 5; Bateman 12, McKeown 10; and Anderson 14, McDonald 4.

C Event

Billing 11, Schuman 8; Merrison 8, Armstrong 6; and Dahl 2, Scott 10, McKay 9, Bennie 14; and Anderson 6, I. Senum 8.

C Event

Newton 8, Gordon 7; and Kerr 6, Eby 11.

D Event

B. Senum 7, Eriksen 15.

SUNDAY
8 a.m.
B Event

Johnston 8, Scott 7.

C Event

B. Senum 6, McDonald 13.

D Event

McKay 4, Olsen 8; and Schuman 9, Noel 7.

10:30 a.m.
A Event

Buchanan 10, Deane 8.

B Event

Newton 10, Bateman 7; and Rivett 8, McKeown 7.

C Event

Johnston 9, Bennie 10.

D Event

Dahl 11, Merrison 10; and Billing 9, McDonald 10.

1 p.m.
A Event

Eriksen 3, Whatman 12.

B Event

Kerr 4, Bennie 10.

C Event

Noel 8, I. Senum 7.

D Event

Gordon 6, Buchanan 9; and Deane 6, Armstrong 8.

3:30 p.m.
A Event

McKay 5, Anderson 11; and Olsen 8, Bateman 9.

C Event

Scott 9, McDonald 8; and Billing 12, Newton 8.

7 p.m.
B Event

Eby 8, Whatman 6; and Johnston 9, Newton 7.

C Event

McKeown 11, Rivett 7; and Merrison 4, Bennie 8.

D Event

Armstrong 9, Dahl 5.

8:30 p.m.
D Event

Olsen 4, Schuman 9; Bateman 9, Scott 8; McKeown 11, Anderson 8; and Eriksen 6, McDonald 14.

E Event

B. Senum 8, Gordon 14; and Kerr 10, Deane 5.

'Spiel banquet, dance outstanding success

No mater which rink wins the Women's Curling Club's Ninth Annual Bonspiel which winds up tonight, the girls will have fond memories of the banquet held Saturday night at the Armouries.

More than 200 women curlers and relatives attended the banquet which began about 9 p.m. and lasted until the wee small hours.

Entertainment was first class and was a pleasure to watch.

Emcee Art Murray called Harley Lewis to lead everyone in an old-fashioned sing-song. Mrs. Floyd Eby played the piano while Lewis and a few others led the entire group in session of curling songs.

Following this, the "imported entertainers" took over the show.

First came the "Sputnik Girls from Pluto" who, wearing space suits and brandishing ray guns, led the crowd in an outer-space song.

Later, through the courtesy of the McKeown rink from Kitimat, the "Mills Brothers" appeared in person. They were so good that the crowd called them back for an encore.

Next came a chorus line direct from "Sloppy Joe's in Havana Cuba." They too, wowed the crowd and were called back a second time.

The entertainment was handled excellently by Len Harrington, Betty Dahl and Jessie Collin.

They did a fine job and received a big round of applause from the audience.

After the entertainment Murray introduced the visiting rinks in the bonspiel.

Earlier in the day, the official opening of the bonspiel was held at the curling rink.

Parade Marshall Jack Laurie led a pipe band from D Company, Irish Fusiliers of Canada (Vancouver Regiment), and a long string of women curlers armed with brooms around the ice.

Laurie then introduced Ruby Merrison, president of the women's curling club, who welcomed the visiting rinks and expressed her hopes that both the local and out-of-town curlers would have an enjoyable time.

Bonspiel chairman Jean Gordon then thanked all the committees who had helped to launch the 1961 bonspiel.

Mayor P. J. Lester, who, for the second week in a row, had a "sore back" declared the 'spiel officially open and Ruby then threw the first rock.

Members of the pipe band were: Capt. J. C. Ewart, piper James Nicol, piper William McGlaughlin, piper Thomas Trainer, piper William Sutherland, drummer Les Brain, drummer Bruce Sinclair and drummer Thomas Wardrope.

Detroit leads playoff series

By JACK SULLIVAN
Canadian Press Staff Writer

DETROIT (CP) — If Gordie Howe is burned out at Stanley Cup playoff time, as alleged hockey experts have been saying for five years, the great one has not received the message.

And the first persons to knock down the fallacy are Toronto Maple Leafs.

They met the 32-year-old right winger at his incredible best Sunday night. He practically destroyed them single-handedly as Detroit Red Wings won 2-0 to take a 2-1 lead in their best-of-seven semi-final series.

The greatest of all the Red Wings and maybe the greatest player of all time broke up a hard-hitting, action-filled game with a picture goal at 4:51 of the third period. Sophomore Val Fonteyne iced the cake with another goal one minute and 24 seconds later and Leafs were dead.

Leafs dropped a 4-2 decision at home Saturday night, but they couldn't put the shackles on Howe Sunday.

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Leafs Savage winners

VERNON (CP) — Dave Stewart's third - period goal broke a 3-3 deadlock Saturday night and gave the Nelson Maple Leafs the Savage Cup with a 4-1 record in the best-of-seven series. The 4-3 victory gave Nelson the B.C. senior hockey title for the first time since 1936.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Charles (Bud) Wilkinson, football coach at the University of Oklahoma, Thursday was named special consultant to President Kennedy on physical fitness. Wilkinson will continue as football coach and athletic director at Oklahoma.

FRIDAY
Western League
Seattle 5, Victoria 3
Portland 3, Vancouver 3 (overtime tie)
Spokane 5, Edmonton 4
SATURDAY
Western League
Portland 1, Seattle 4
Spokane 2, Calgary 8
SUNDAY
Western League
Victoria 3, Portland 6
Edmonton 3, Seattle 6

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