SHOULD BE FUN

"Take grimness out of baseball" players told at annual banquet

Take the "grimness" out of local baseball and play for the fun of it, Dick Ayres, editor of The Daily News told more than 100 fans, players and officials Saturday night at the Prince Rupert and District Baseball League banquet.

Mr. Ayres, guest speaker at the annual affair held in the Canadian Legion auditorium, spoke strongly of the effect that "blowups and bitter hassles" have on Little Leaguers and Pony Leaguers.

"There is too much grimness in amateur sports today and it's a grimness that develops into bitterness and grudges with guys out to get the other guy when the opportunity presents itself" Mr. Ayres said.

PLAY FOR FUN

"Until you get paid for playing a hundred or more game-schedule you should be playing for the fun of it", he said.

Mr. Ayres pointed out that it is not what happens to the persons involved in such rhubarbs but the effect it has on the younger set "who are seeking every bit of baseball knowledge they can absorb."

YOUNGSTERS COPY

"These boys, (Little Leaguers and Pony Leaguers) go up to Roosevelt Park and they watch and they copy."

He said that the boys see men anywhere from the ages of 21 to 41 "indulging in tantrums, fits of temper, swearing, abusing umpires and flaunting rules of the game.

"The result is that you have nine-year old boys arguing and being disrespectful to grown men who have given up their time to umpire and help them out."

IMITATE SENIORS

"You have beefing and whining from public school boys who are imitating the seniors at Roosevelt Park because they think its the right thing to do."

The cure could lie in the commission Mr. Ayres asserted.

"You can elect a slate that is strong, active and ready to back their officials to the hilt, to the letter of the constitution and the baseball rule book.

DICK AYRES
. . . "seniors should be heroes."

SUPPORT UMPIRES

He said that umpires are the backbone of the league's structure and should be given every possible support in maintaining the rules of the game.

KEEP MEANNESS OUT

In closing Mr. Ayres said "Sure you can needle the opposition but keep the meanness out of it."

"Don't spoil the game for the fans, don't weaken your team by getting booted out and above all don't act like a two-year old on the diamond where the Little Leaguers and Pony Leaguers can see you."

He said it was up to the seniors "the ultimate of this city's baseball", to show the youngsters how to turn in a well-played game and "demonstrate good sportsmanship."

RCMP downs Savoy to take floor puck lead

RCMP moved into an undisputed first-place position in the Senior Men's Floor Hockey League Friday night with a 10-8 victory over last-place Savoy.

It was the second straight loss for the Savoy crew. The other two league's teams, Parkers and Sports Shop, are tied for second spot.

A Savoy win would have brought about a four-way deadlock.

Paced by hustling forward John Penz with three blazing goals the RCMP crew took an early 6-1 lead by the end of the first period.

Second stanza saw the Savoy team bang in four counters to move within one goal of a tie. Alf Maron tallied two of the markers.

Things looked even better for the Hotel boys at the start of the third period as Terry Shenton blasted one past RCMP goalie Don Johnston to put the Savoy into a tie.

However it only lasted a short while as RCMP's Jim Arseneau blasted in one tally to put his boys out front to stay. He added an insurance marker shortly afterwards.

Arseneau and Joe Warner took second RCMP scoring honors with two goals apiece.

Maron and Shenton were Savoy's top goal-getters with three each.

Racking himself up the most penalties was Savoy's Fred Chartoniuk. He collected a major, three minors and a 10-minute misconduct.

RCMP received 15 penalties while Savoy got a total of 11.

The game, although having only a reasonable amount of penalties, was somewhat rough from start to finish.

More than 125 fans witnessed the hectic tilt.

Lineups

RCMP—Penz 3, Warner 2, Collier 1, Johnson (goal), Jelly 1, Bannister, Fitzgerald, Giesbrecht 1, Slack, Duffin, Murland, Arseneau, Pierce, Fitzgerald, MacDonald. Total 10.

Savoy—Shenton 3, Harvey 1, Shannon, Trautman, Maron 3, Olsen (goal), Gurney, McLeod, Anton, Chartoniuk 1, Morrison. Total 8.

In the junior loop, Parkers moved into second place with a 12-7 victory over last-place Sports Shop.

Larry Atchison and Ken Nakatsu sparked Parkers 5-0 first-period lead with three and two goals respectively.

In the second period, Sports Shop tallied three goals by Brian Kangas, Hans Dorius and Erickson but Parkers managed to hold their 7-3 lead on goals by Nakatsu and Cameron.

Parkers outshot Sports Shop 5-4 in the final period to gain the triumph.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jimmy Hornsby, 136, Los Angeles, outpointed Joey Padilla, 136, San Jose, Calif., (10).

Terrace's Burton tops in 59 baseball season

Jackie Burton, catcher of the Terrace Sande Lumbermen, had an outstanding 1959 season in the Prince Rupert and District Baseball league.

He proved it Saturday night at the group's successfull annual banquet from which he carted away two of the top individual awards.

He was presented with the Sports Shop trophy for the highest batting average (.447) by Joe Giordano. Burton in turn presented Don Scherk, last year's top batter, with a trophy replica.

It was hardly a surprise when Burton was called on minutes later by Emcee Harley Lewis who presented him with the most valuable player award, the Jerry Ford Memorial trophy.

Burton again in turn presented both Joe Giordano and Don Scherk with replicas of the award. Giordano and Scherk won the trophy in 1956 and 1957 respectively.

Rookie of the year award was won by third baseman Al Campbell of Esquires. Commissioner R. G. (Rusty) Ford made the presentation of the North Star Fottling trophy.

The playoff championship trophy was presented by Bert Morgan of the Grotto Cigar Store to Bill Morrison, manager of Gordon and Andersons.

Burton received the league championship trophy on behalf of his Terrace squad.

The evening's activities opened with a dinner followed by an address by Commissioner Ford.

Mr. Ford expressed his thanks to officials, players and "particularly fans" for their support.

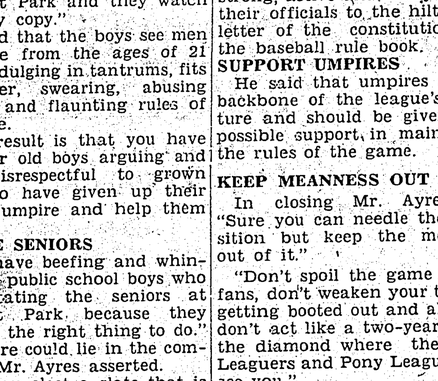
The evening was topped off with dancing.

Winning the appropriate door prize for a local fan was Mrs. W. R. (Babs) Smith. She was presented with a sou'wester rain cap.

Sugar Ray cancels bout

NEW YORK (AP) — Sugar Ray Robinson Friday cancelled a November 13 bout in Madison Square Garden with Wilf Greaves of Edmonton and promptly was ordered to appear before the New York state athletic commission for a physical examination.

A Garden spokesman said Robinson claimed he was ill, and that he would fight Greaves at a later date.



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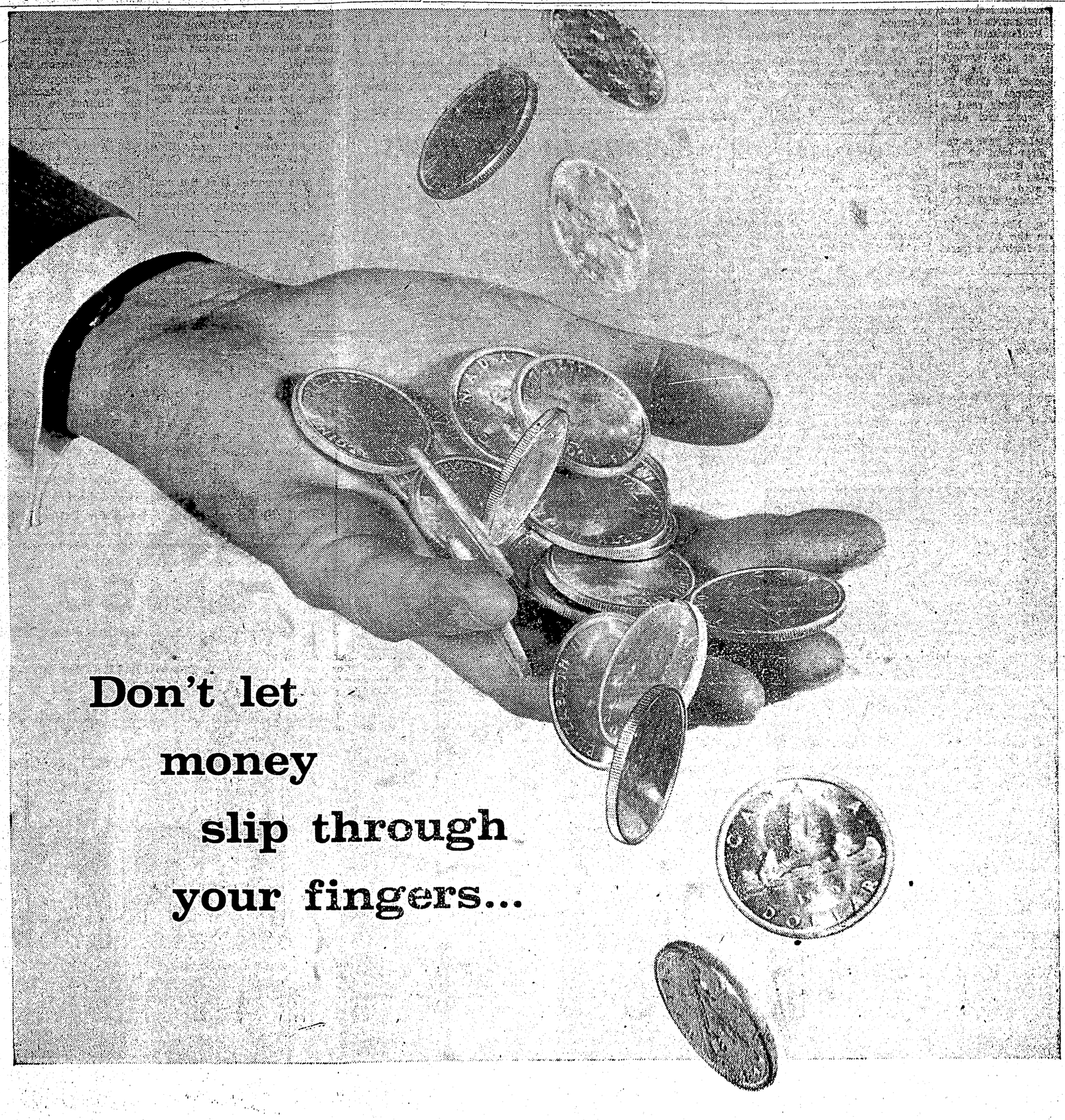

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