Smokies win 9-3 —drub Czech B team

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (CP) — Canada's Trail Smoke Eaters broke loose in the second period tonight to wallop Czechoslovakia's national B team 9-3 in an exhibition hockey game.

The Smokies, warming up for the world championships, scored two unanswered goals in the first period and outscored the Czechs 6-2 in the second. Both teams scored a goal each in the final period.

Walt Peacosh and Russ Kowalchuk had a hot night for the touring Smokies. Peacosh scored four goals, while Kowalchuk picked up four assists. Howie Hornby, with two, and Andy Tambellini, Gerry Penner and Harold Jones added the other Trail goals.

Twelve penalties were handed out—all but two of them to Trail.

STAN MIKITA
. . . hat trick

Schoolboy spiel in final day

By PAUL RIMSTEAD

GUELPH, Ont. (CP) — Is Quebec on a hot streak, or is John Hammond a lucky skip?

This is the question asked most often at the Canadian schoolboy curling championship. And the rink wanting the answer most is a classy foursome from Alberta.

It was boiled down to two rinks Thursday—unbeaten Quebec and Alberta—and they meet tonight.

Alberta was expected to be strong but the Quebec boys are trying to dispel a feeling that luck has carried them this far.

"Sure we're lucky," Hammond said Thursday night. "But we also play for lucky shots. If you make those it's the best way to demoralize your opposition."

Some folks had said the Montreal high school rink was undefeated only because it hadn't met another rink of consequence. But the Montrealers have beaten them all except the Alberta foursome, a precision rink from Bonnie Doon composite high school at Edmonton.

Weekend sports calendar

FRIDAY

Floor Hockey—Civic Centre

7:00 p.m.—Elks vs Cubs (first game of playoff)

8:30 p.m.—Hawks vs Celgar (playoff)

SATURDAY

Basketball—Civic Centre

10:00 a.m. — Green vs Yellow (second game of playoff)

11:00 a.m.—UFAWU vs Orphans (playoff)

12:00—Rupert Motors vs Broadway Cafe (playoff)

6:30 p.m.—Nelson Bros. vs UFAWU (intermediate "B")

7:30—United Church vs Bo-Me-Hi "B"

8:30—Sunrise vs Celgar (first game best of three)

SUNDAY

Swimming—Civic Centre

2:00 - 5:00; 7:00 - 10:00 Open Swimming.

B EVENT WINNER at the Women's Curling Bonspiel held in Terrace on Sunday, February 17 were the sharp Jean Gordon rink of Prince Rupert. — Trend Studio

NOW LEAD PACK BY FIVE

Mikita, Hull roaring as Hawks win another

By RON ANDREWS
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Chicago Black Hawks' National Hockey League opposition is finding out it can stop Stan Mikita or Bobby Hull some of the time but it can't stop both of them all of the ime.

Mikita and Hull, with some strong suport from goaltender Glen Hall, ganged up on the Red Wings at Detroit last night and led the first-place Hawks to a 5-3 victory in the lone game played. The win gave Chicago 70 points, five more than the second-place Toronto Maple Leafs, who lead Montreal Canadians by a point. Detroit is fourth with 59.

Mikita, the centre whom Chicago coach Rudy Pilous calls the dynamo that keeps the Hawks churning, scored three goals and assited on another. Hull scored twice—his 18th and 19th in the last 17 games—and also had an assist. And Hall kicked out 42 shots, the most saves he's made in a game this season.

The scoring output by the two Hawks twisted the NHL's individual race into a tiger knot with only two points separating the top seven players. Gordie Howe scored one of Detroit's goals—Val Fonteyne and Andre Pronovost added the others—and picked up an assist to take the lead with 60 points, including 29 goals.

Comets, Blades each win games

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

Spokane Comets are well on their way to becoming the team that won its battles but lost the war.

Thursday nights Western Hockey League action—Los Angeles Blades' 3-2 win over Vancouver Canucks and Spokane's 4-3 victory over Seattle Totems—contributed to a situation that must give league executives the shivers.

Spokane's win gave them a season's record of 51 points on 25 wins, 24 losses and a tie, while the loss left Seattle with just two more points after two more games.

But as matters stand Seattle is almost certain to reach the WHL playoffs and Spokane is nearly as certain to miss them.

NHL big 7

	G	A	Pt
Howe, Detroit	29	31	60
Hull, Chicago	30	29	59
Mikita, Chicago	25	34	59
Bucyk, Boston	24	35	59
Oliver, Boston	21	38	59
Mahovlich, Toronto	30	28	58
Beliveau, Montreal	14	44	58

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REMEMBER WHEN . . .
By THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Last Night's Fights

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Miami (AP)—Jack Gilbert, 158, Knoxville, Tenn., outpointed Eddie Febba, 155, Fort Lauderdale,

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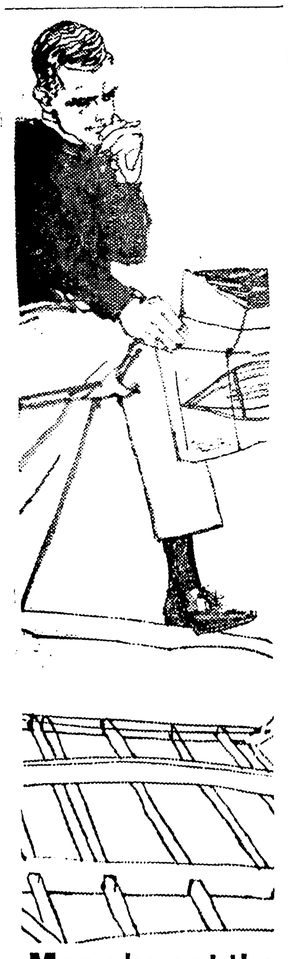

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