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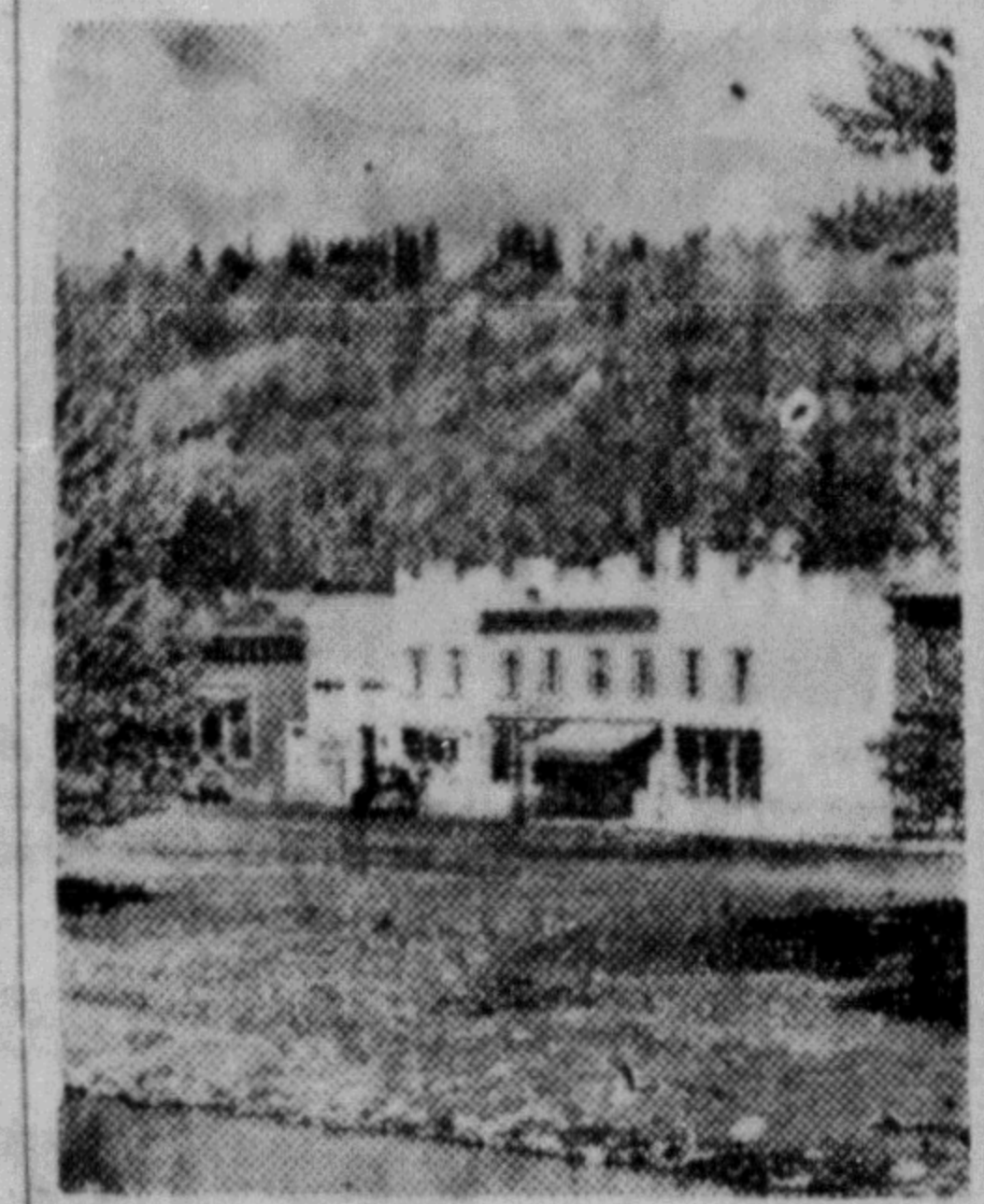
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Barney Ross and Jimmy McLarnin thrilled 31,000 New York boxing fans with one of the bitterest ring battles in years, 16 years ago. McLarnin, the belting Irishman from Vancouver defending the Welterweight title he won from Ross eight months previously, this time lost the decision in 15 rounds. McLarnin's share of the gate was \$42,523; Ross got \$26,579.

Bob Feller pitched his third straight shut-out 10 years ago to give Cleveland Indians a 7-0 victory over Detroit Tigers. That game stretched Feller's streak of scoreless innings to 29, but New York Yankees ended the string at 30 innings four days later.

Floyd Roberts, 38-year-old aviation engineer of Van Nuys, Cal., won the Indianapolis speedway annual motor classic 13 years ago, by covering the 500 miles at an average speed of 117.2 miles an hour, a record at that time. Johnny Parsons boosted this average to 124 M.P.H. last year.



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BATTER UP

(By LARRY STANWOOD)

The Prince Rupert Baseball Association has a brand new executive set-up following a meeting after Sunday night's opening game of the 1951 season. The association is headed by a commissioner, none other than Bill Gordon, vice-president of the recently resigned executive and well known in Prince Rupert baseball circles as a spot and a man "all for the game."

With Mr. Gordon will work a six-man committee composed of the three team managers, Stan Cornwell, Alex Bill and Miner Simundson, and their respective owners, Gunnar Anderson (Gordon & Anderson), Johnny Odowes (Abel & Odowes) and H. "Hal" Helgeson (Commercial Hotel).

Another reorganization which follows the shuffle in the top deck calls for only two games a week—Sunday afternoons and Thursday evenings. It was decided that because most of the players are working—many at night—and none of them are paid to play, one night's play during week days would give them another night to come out for practice and thus make for better ball games all around.

So Thursday night Gordon & Anderson play Abel & Odowes and next Sunday A & O's play Commercial. Tuesday nights, however, will be used for any postponed or exhibition games. Complete schedule for the season will be found elsewhere on this page.

At the same meeting, Andy Letourneau, who "umped" Sunday's game, was appointed umpire-in-chief for the season, with Johnny Comadina as night umpire.

League games will end August 16 when the playoffs will begin. The league winner gets a bye and also a pennant and a cup.

Second and third teams will play two out of three games, winner of which will play the league winner best three out of five games for the season's championship.

There will be a few exhibition

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Games for the fans, too, this year, if the plans of Commissioner Gordon follow through. Smithers will be asked to face a Prince Rupert all-star team, preferably a few weeks before the home-team play Ketchikan July 1.

After Sunday's game which broke up all tied at the end of the eighth, the commission has ruled all night games will end at seven innings.

That opening game did drag a bit for a baseball game, but for a first it was good amateur ball. During the first few innings when G&A, managed by Cornwell, ran over Miner Simundson's Commercial boys, most of the runners reached bases through errors.

But Simundson got things under control after he relieved two men with substitutes, Larry Warner, who hurled everything in the book at the G&A's, was still throwing them through the strike zone at the top of the eighth, the last inning played. With four recorded strike-outs, Warner gave up four hits and walked a man in the seventh. In the next inning he hit Andy Marshall, G&A left-fielder, in

the ribs with a sharp side-arm break. Warner got clipped himself in the sixth by a fast ball chucked by Don Scherk.

Scherk, pitching the last two innings, struck out two with fast pitches. Manager Cornwell likes Scherk on the mound but can't sacrifice him for the gap he leaves at first base, Scherk's regular position.

Vern Ciccone, starter for the home team, threw good ball

during his trip to the mound but had to lay off after the third inning on account of a sore knee. The Ciccone-Carali battery gave fans a big lift as the catcher moaned at called pitches by Umpire Letourneau or, in turn, halted the decision jubilantly.

Well, Thursday is another game and there'll be some new batters up.

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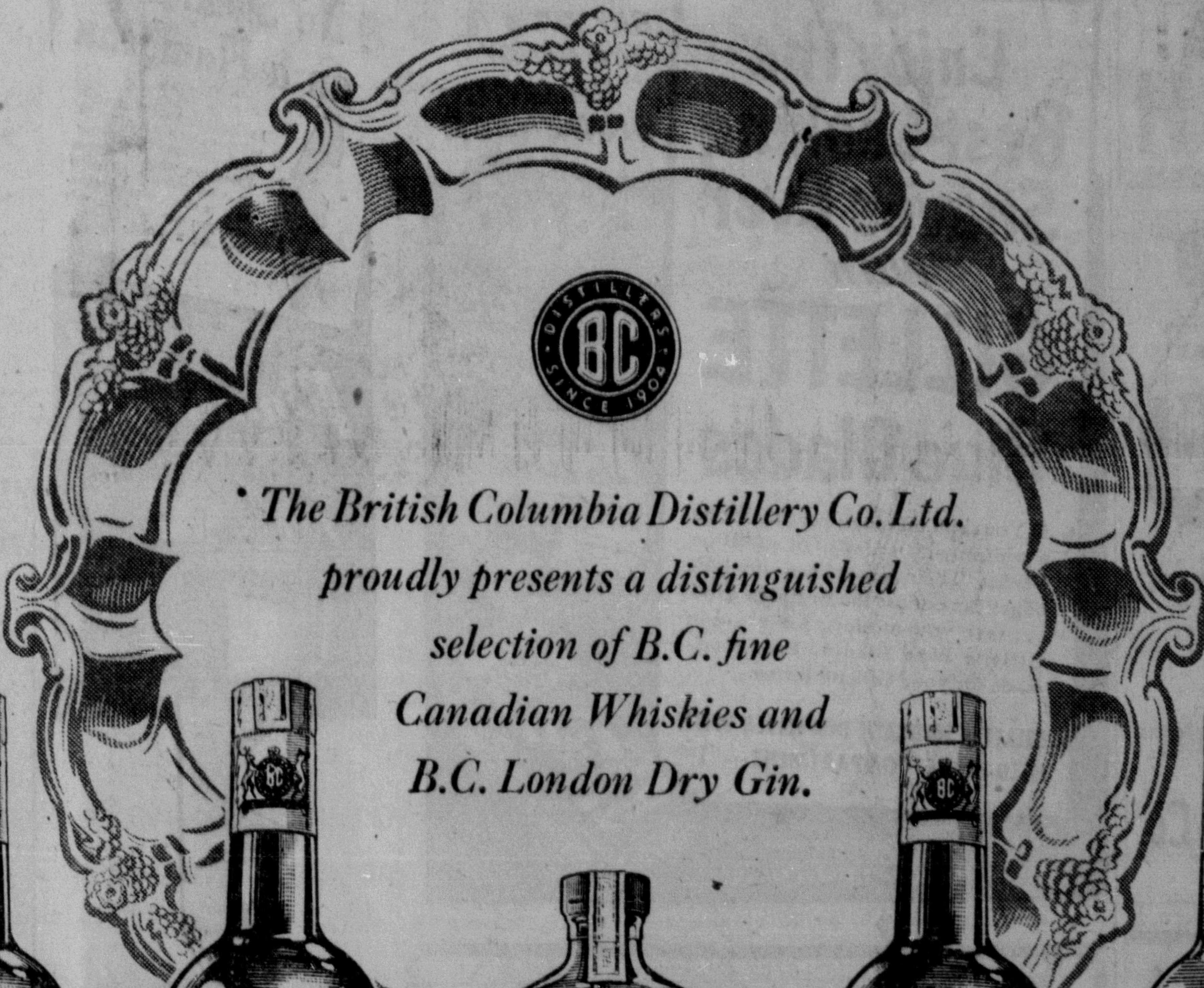
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