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## Strike-Out Total High

In a league softball game featured by a new high strike-out total and a long home run, the Firemen defeated the Hawks 5 to 3 last night at Gyro Park. Art Olsen of the Firemen struck out sixteen Hawks in seven innings while yielding only one walk and 3 hits. One of the hits was a long drive into deep centre field by Martin which was good for four bases for the Hawks.

The Hawks drew first blood when, with two out in the first inning, Larry Matthews singled over third. Then Prency Vigar and Smith got in via errors to score Matthews.

Firemen came back in their half of the first inning to notch three runs when Buddy Ratchford walked, Holmes was on by an error, Schwab doubled to score two and Art Olsen lined out a single to score Schwab. Firemen scored again in the second when, with two out, Ratchford singled, stole second and scored on a single by Holmes. The Hawks got one back in the fourth when Smith struck out but got aboard on a missed third strike and scored when Tommy Sedgwick's grounder was kicked around.

Firemen also scored one in the fourth on Tschabold's grounder which was kicked and a drive by Holmes. In the sixth inning

Martin drove out his home run for the last score of the game.

One of the feature games of the season will be held on Wednesday night when the Columbia Cellulose and Rupert Radio meet. On two previous encounters this year these teams are even, each winning one game so this is the rubber.

Hawks—	AB	R	H
Lawry, 2b	4	0	0
Waters, lf	4	0	0
Matthews, c	3	1	1
Vigar, rf	2	0	0
Smith, 3b	3	1	0
Martin, cf	3	1	1
Becker, 1b	3	0	1
Sedgwick, ss	2	0	0
Tyseland, p-rf	3	0	0
Lhati, p	1	0	0

Firemen—	AB	R	H
Ratchford, 3b	3	2	1
Holmes, rf	3	1	1
A. Hartwig, 2b	3	0	0
Carlson, lf	3	0	1
Schwab, c	3	1	1
Olsen, p	3	0	1
Whattam, ss	3	0	0
Bill lb	3	0	0
Tschabold, cf	3	1	0

Hawks	27	5	3
Firemen	10	0	1
Olsen struck out 16, walked one and gave up three hits. Tyseland struck out 3, walked 1 and gave up 5 hits. Lhati struck out 4, walked 1 and gave up no hits.			

Two-base hits: Schwab.  
Home runs: Martin.  
Umpire: Reg. Wilson. Time of game, 1 hour, 5 minutes.

## BATTER UP

(By LARRY STANWOOD)

The good crowds that attended the international baseball series here over the Dominion Day holiday week indicate that Prince Rupert people are little different than most Canadians and Americans. They like a good ball game.

But how was that series made possible? Only by the support that baseball fans have given the Prince Rupert Baseball Association. Playing baseball costs money. Equipment today is priced at an all time high. Balls cost \$30 a dozen and at least four are used at every league game.

Ten balls were used in the two-day international series.

It cost the Association some \$500 to get Ketchikan to come down and play ball here—and they had the money, too, because of the good attendance at the games. The Association netted something like \$540, but baseball isn't over in Prince Rupert. It has just begun.

Yet last Sunday it looked as though fans had enough of ball-playing. By the collection, which netted less than \$15 from 150 adults in the bleachers, it looks like it's awfully hard for people to part with much more than a dime if they're not asked outright for it.

Well, a baseball league cannot be run that way. Players in all three teams in

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**SASKATOON**—Farmers may be saved millions of dollars by the results of a University of Saskatchewan research project to "weatherproof" grains.

D. J. B. Harrington, head of the field husbandry department, says new varieties of grain developed after 15 years of laboratory and field research will prove invaluable in the fickle climate of the prairies.

Grains have been developed which yield well and are still highly resistant to spring frost, sprouting, shattering, bleaching and drought.

He referred to the development as "weatherproofing" and said this was the first time plant breeders had worked toward improving grain development in the spring rather than in the fall—the purpose of the early-maturing varieties.

The field husbandry department initiated various weather conditions by installing controlled freezing chambers and glass houses—a controlled climate system which greatly speeded up the experimental work.

Apex wheat and Fortune and Valor oats have resulted from the experiment.

Special grants from the National Research Council and the Saskatchewan Government financed the project.



**CHAMPIONSHIP FORM**—Jack Burke Jr. of Houston, Texas, lays into a drive on the final round of the Canadian Open Golf Championship at Toronto Mississauga. Burke started the day with a 54-hole total of 204—two less than defending champion Jim Ferrier of San Francisco who retained the title. (CP PHOTO)

the league don't get anything but the exercise and fun of playing ball when they're giving Prince Rupert a high class show as is found anywhere in amateur sport. If people want to see a ball game on Sunday, why not support it? It can't be otherwise.

Certain softball enthusiasts have drawn it to our attention that they thought we were unfair to softball.

We had no intention of playing anything but fair in our column. It is, of course, devoted more to upbuilding baseball but we support all sports.

In its own element, softball is a vigorous sport and has reached an overwhelming popularity in many centres the last few years.

It is a fame of keen competition and its players find a prominent listing in the world of amateur sport. But we maintain, however, that playing softball won't make a better baseball player—no more so than will a bronco-buster make a better jockey, even though they both deal with horses.

Each game has a technique of its own—and, in order to become proficient, concentration must be centred on one technique at a time.

Gordon & Anderson again succumbed to their opponents Sunday afternoon, which brings Abel & Odowes one win ahead of Commercial, whom they play next Thursday. So far it looks as though it will be a neck and neck race with the Clothiers and Hotelmen, with G & A far down in the cellar.

Matter of fact, that young man's team won only one game this season, the first one they played. They have been coming close in their last few tries, but seem to weaken in the clinches. They have a major weakness in their pitching line-up—not enough pitchers.

And it is evident the boys need practice, and there is the rub. With only one park and two different sports played there on alternate nights—football, the other one—it leaves no room for practise.

"About all we can do is get there early on game nights and pick up a little on the field," said Team Manager Stan Cornwell.

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## Old Church Burns Down

An old and familiar landmark along the banks of the Skeena river at Cedarvale is gone. The log-built mission church, which crowned a hill and the towers of which had been familiar to travellers for more than fifty years, burned to the ground last week.

Information of this was received by Capt. W. C. Poulton of Salvation Army here, from the daughter-in-law of the man who built the church, first missionary along the Skeena, the late Dr. Tomlinson.

Dr. Tomlinson built the church with the aid of two young sons and some native converts.

The church was being repaired when fire broke out. Only the organ and one long seat was saved, wrote Mrs. Tomlinson.

## Physical Ed Team Leaves

Following their highly impressive stand here during Exhibition Week, Keith Maltman and the Vancouver Pro-Rec team left by car yesterday for Terrace

where they appeared last night. Now they will visit Hazelton, Smithers, Vanderhoof, Prince George and on into the Cariboo enroute home. Mr. Maltman, who has been appointed district director of physical education for the provincial government, is to make his headquarters at Prince George.

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