

## Zany Colored Basketball Team Coming To Prince Rupert Soon



TOM SEALY ... Forward



ABE SAPERSTEIN ... Coach

Those fun-loving Rover Boys of basketball, the fabulous Harlem Globetrotters, will come flying into town next Friday and Saturday to play the local Jets at Civic Centre.

The brand of merchandise the Globetrotters are dispensing this season is said to be the best. Two years ago local fans remember how their comedy antics literally laid the customers in the aisles. From the moment they take the floor for their celebrated comedy warmup to their hilarious game-ending antics, the "court jesters" are good for a thousand laughs.

Abe Saperstein's minions will come prepared with some well-rehearsed didoes, but even the dynamic owner-coach of the great quintet admits he doesn't know in advance half the stuff his talented player-comedians are apt to pull off in the course of an evening.

All this, however, doesn't detract their attention from their prime objective—that of winning ball games. The Negro stars are rightly proud of their sensational won-and-lost record and make certain a game is well in hand before going all out on the comedy. It's a rare occasion, though, when they're so hard-pressed they can't move into the comedy part of their repertoire.

On the serious side, everything the Globetrotters do the moment a game starts constitutes a new unofficial record for basketball. That includes games and minutes played, victories, points scored, free throws made and so on down the line. Starting this campaign, Globetrotters boasted a record of 3421 wins, 245 defeats and a tie for their efforts the past 23 campaigns.

## Sport Shots

The won and lost record of the great Harlem Globetrotters basketball team, coming here this week, is amazing. The past 23 seasons have seen the magicians of the court pile up 3,421 victories against only 245 defeats and one tie for an average of .933. Last season was by far the most impressive in their career as accumulated 151 wins in 153 games during their regular schedule, then swept three straight games to capture the Cuba Invitational Tournament at Havana, won 11 victories to 7, the transcontinental World Series over the College All-Americans, and 72 out of 73 contests on a three-month tour of Europe and North Africa against the Stars of America and foreign quintets.

Percentage-wise, the Globetrotters' best seasons were 1933-34 when they won 152 and lost 2 for a .987 average, 1946-47 when 154 games were won and only three lost for .981 and 1947-48 when 152 victories and five setbacks brought a .968 rating. Each of the last two seasons they had winning streaks of over 100 in succession—101 in 1948-49, 113 in 1949-50.

Following is the Globetrotters' season-by-season record up to the start of the current campaign:

	W	L	Pct.
1927-28	101	6	.944
1928-29	145	13	.918
1929-30	151	13	.921
1930-31	137	14	.907
1931-32	145	11	.929
1932-33	147	10	.936
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1933-34	152	2	.987
1934-35	141	14	.910
1935-36	153	9	.944
1936-37	149	11	.931
1937-38	145	12	.924
1938-39	148	13	.919
1939-40	159	8	.952
1940-41	146	12	.924
1941-42	135	18	.882
1942-43	139	16	.897
1943-44	141	13	.916
1944-45	146	14	.913
1945-46	152	13	.921
1946-47	154	3	.981
1947-48	152	5	.968
1948-49	146	5	.967
Regular sched.	151	2	
Cuba Tourney.	3	0	

DUKE CUMBERLAND ... Guard and Captain



ROBERT MILTON ... Forward



TED STRONG ... Forward



"One more crack like that and I run out and buy a hat!"

## Naval Dance At New Year

The commanding officer and officers of H.M.C.S. Chatham and friends ushered in the new year with a dance at the drill hall annex. About 65 couples were present. The hall was suitably decorated for the occasion. Music by the Four Dukes orchestra continued until about 3:30 in the morning.

## SHIPS and WATERFRONT

CPR steamer Princess Norah, Capt. Graham Hughes, north-bound from Vancouver to Skagway on a regular Alaska voyage, arrived in port at 11:30 New Year's morning and sailed north at 12:30 noon. Arriving here on the vessel were 52 passengers of whom eight disembarked here, the remainder continuing north. Two took passage from here for Alaska on the vessel. The passengers disembarking here were Mr. Taylor, Mrs. S. M. Saker, Miss Bernice Johnnie, J. Shevlen, Mrs. C. Worsley, J. Slatta and R. J. Holmes.

## Smiles'n Chuckles

An Englishman was conversing with the clerk at the Ambassador Hotel. "Here's a riddle," said the clerk. "My mother gave birth to a child. It was neither my brother nor my sister. Who was it?"

Englishman: "I can't guess." Clerk: "It was I." Englishman: "Ha ha! Very clever. I must remember that." The Englishman then told the story at his club. Said he: "Here's a riddle old top. My mother gave birth to a child, and it was neither my brother nor my sister. Who was it? You can't guess? Do you give up?"

"Yes." "Ha, ha! It was the clerk at the Ambassador Hotel."

The teacher had been giving a lesson on the use of the word "immaterial" and to discover what the children had learned, asked them to bring some article to school demonstrating the word.

"Well, Johnny," she asked the next day, "what have you brought?"

Johnny, rising, said, "Will you please hold this stick lightly at both ends?"

"All right, what next?"

"Now let go one end."

"Which end?" the teacher asked.

"Oh, it's immaterial. There's glue on both ends."

Mabel was all dressed up for a date with a successful man.

"How do you know he's such a success?" her girl friend wanted to know.

"Well, his name is on every sucker list in the country," Mabel replied, "the Government takes most of his income, and he has two ulcers."

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## Motor Trip To Florida

After a three months' absence during which they motored through twenty-seven states, going as far as Miami, Florida, where they attended an electrical convention, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Forman returned to the city on the Camosun Sunday afternoon. The health of Mr. Forman, who is identified with the Northern B.C. Power Co. here, is greatly improved as a result of the change and the rest.

Mr. and Mrs. Forman spent Christmas at New Westminster with her mother, Mrs. W. P. Hall, and it was a happy family reunion for their three sons were all there—Jim, who is attending the University of Washington; Ted, who is taking a naval officer's course at Royal Roads, Victoria, and Allan, who is attending the University of British Columbia.

## New Year In City Quiet

The last few moments before the ending of 1950 were exceptionally quiet, that is, as far as Prince Rupert was concerned. There were whistles and bells and all that, but the general volume of sound was far below what has been heard during past years.

Most of the New Year celebrations were confined inside and the police reported conditions very quiet.

Customer: "Remember that cheese you sold me yesterday?"

Grocer: "Yes, it was fine Swiss cheese."

Customer: "Did you say it was 'imported' or 'deported' from Switzerland?"

## One Bad Fire In Past Year

Of the fourteen fire calls in December, only one proved to be serious.

On December 21 the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pierre LeRoss on Fourth Avenue East sustained damage amounting to about \$5,000 when the basement and kitchen were gutted by fire.

Other calls during the month were:

December 2 at 3:30 p.m.—Cigarette burning in the upholstery of a "70" cab.

December 3 at 4:40—Chimney fire at 224 Ninth Avenue East.

December 3 at 5 p.m.—Chimney fire at 516 Eighth Avenue East.

December 4 at 5:30 p.m.—Fire caused by faulty wiring at 306 Fraser Street.

December 12 at 5:10 a.m.—Fire scare.

December 12 at 5:20 p.m.—Chimney fire at King Edward School.

December 16 at 5:50 p.m.—Chimney fire at Fifth Avenue West.

December 18 at 4:10 p.m.—Electric iron left on at 72 Bigger Place.

December 20 at 12:50 p.m.—Rubbish burn in post office basement.

December 25 at 4:30 p.m.—Rubbish fire at 1448 Eighth Avenue East.

December 26 at 6:15 p.m.—Backfire from furnace at 744 Sixth Avenue West.

December 26 at 9:45 p.m.—Flooded oil burner at 1313 Eighth Avenue East.

## BIG CONTRAST

Southern Rhodesia's main income is from tobacco farming, but in Northern Rhodesia it's copper mining.

## Aero Club Dance Is Happy Affair

New Year's Eve at the Aero Club was a gay affair when about 100 couples gathered to greet 1951.

Music by Bobby Woods' Trio continued well into 1951. The festive spirit of the occasion was noted with the usual paper hats and cracker jacks popping as the clock reached the midnight hour.

Arrangements were made by a committee consisting of Robert Woods, Robert Kelsey and John Findlay.

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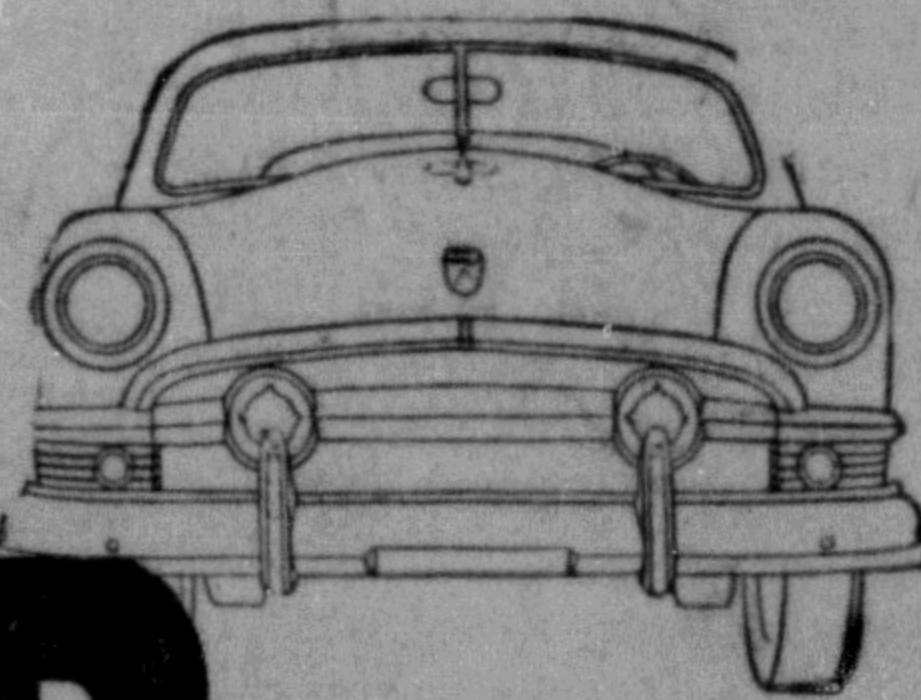


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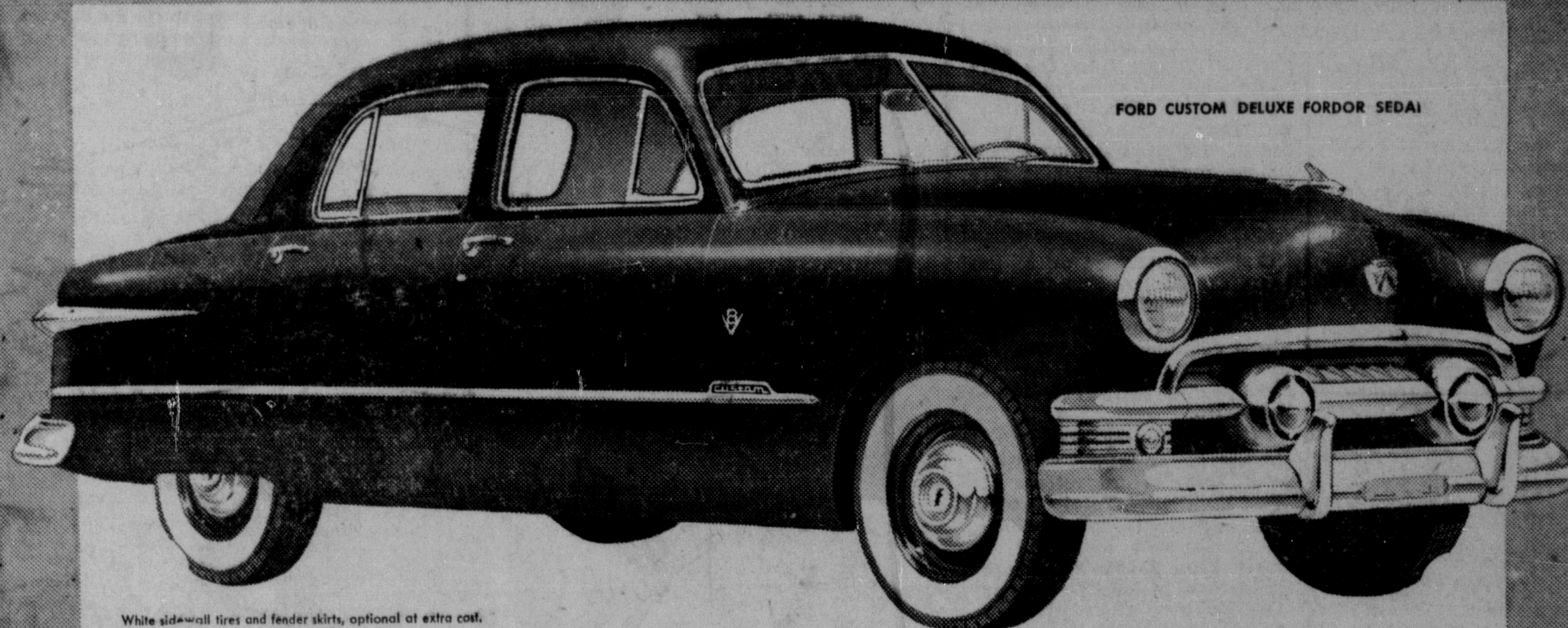
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