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Hoop Finals Next—

Brownwoods Knockout Gordon and Anderson

Excitement Rife in Closing Moments of Hectic Senior Contest

Brownwoods last night won the right to play Co-op in the city basketball finals. They took a 55 to 50 victory over the Gordon and Anderson entry. It was a hectic game from start to finish. Players, spectators, referees and coaches were all involved in arguments before the final bell sounded.

Brownwoods started out in the lead as they scored 6 points, only to have the hardwaremen come back strong to overtake them and go into the second half with a 27 to 18 margin.

Excitement ran high in the final half. Brownwoods put up a last-ditch fight to tie the game at 36 all, only to have G & A again take over the lead at 42 to 41 a few moments later. The lead changed hands rapidly on three occasions before Brownwoods pulled ahead at 55 to 49. G & A scored the final point of the game on a free throw.

It was during the hectic few minutes of this half that Ray Spring was banned from the floor by referee Johnny Comadina. This occasioned an argument between Brownwoods coach Alex Hill and G & A sponsor Gunnar Anderson, with Doc Montgomery trying to bring peace between them. Then Comadina took command of the situation and chased them all back to the bench.

It was the last game of the season for Reg Lavigne of Brownwoods as he leaves for the interior today.

The finals will get under way a week from Saturday night, the day after the native series is concluded. In the meantime all teams will be out of action while the local Jets are playing in Ketchikan and Metlakatla and the decks are cleared at the Civic Centre for the three-day Native tournament next week.

Last night's game writes final for G & A for the season. They deserve a great deal of credit for the fight they have put up in senior competition. They started the season with very few fans giving them a chance, and wound up as one of the best teams in the league, although still lacking in finish and drive. They could win the league championship if they keep together for another season.

Brownwoods are deserving of full credit for their victory in the semi-finals. They won second place in the league standings and went into the playoffs with only five regulars, having lost Sunberg, Hartwig and Carlson during the season. They have been consistent scrappers, and have won many of their games on ability plus a great amount of drive, under the able management of coach Alex Hill. Last night was a typical game for Brownwoods, as on paper they weren't rated a chance, but with Spring scoring 21, Lavigne 12, Olson 8 and Thompson 7, they

were just too tough a team for the hardwaremen.

INTERMEDIATE SEMIS
Fashion Footwear took the first of their three-game series with the High Greens by a 35 to 25 score. Another win would put them in the finals of this league with High Golds.

The Greens were outplayed as both teams worked hard for a win. Fashion had the edge in the shooting, and although the Greens worked hard, they could not stop them.

Jim Hebb of Fashion played his best game of the season.

For the winners Hebb and Hill led in the scoring with 9 points each, Danny Bill scoring 8.

A much improved Bill Becker led the Greens with 7 points, and Sather scored 6.

EXHIBITION

The Intermediate Hi - Golds hustled all the way in the exhibition game and just about caught the Senior Co-ops, who won out by a 37-35 score. High School took an early lead but were tied at the quarter mark and from there on Co-op held a slight lead all the way. The game lacked fire as Co-op didn't play their usual game. With nothing at stake they weren't driving the play. Syd Ccherk seemed to be in a slump. Letourneau for the Golds played smartly with plenty of trickiness displayed for the short time he was on the floor. Don Scherk was high scorer of the game with 12 points, followed by McChesney of the Golds, and Arney of Co-op, who each scored 8.

JUNIOR

There was no argument over which junior team won the bye into the playoffs. High School won a lop-sided victory over their arch-rivals the Rupert Hotel, the score being 32 to 15 when the whistle sounded to end the game.

The hotel men couldn't do anything right, and the High team was playing one of their best games of the season.

Rupert Hotel now meets Cooks in the semi-finals, and they could well be winners with another three game series coming up when they meet High Juniors again in the finals. On the basis of past performances, these should be the best junior finals in many a year.

Christenson was top man for the winners as he scored 9, followed by McAfee with 7 and Ciccone with 6.

For the losers, McKay played well to score 8. High School scored the first basket, and increased their lead in every quarter except the fourth, when they were quite content to hang on while Rupert Hotel fought hard to get the ball through the hoop.

Individual scoring:

Senior
Brownwoods—Olson 8, Thompson 7, Lavigne 12, McChesney 4, Bill 2, Spring 21, Pierce 1, Total 55.
Gordon & Anderson—Dumas,



MANITOBA WINNERS—Rev Forsyth and his Winnipeg Strathcona rink will represent Manitoba in the Canadian curling championships at Halifax next month. It will be the first time any member of the rink has participated in the Dominion classic. They won the provincial crown by defeating Jimmy Welsh of Winnipeg Deer Lodge, a former Canadian titlist, 15-4, in a sudden-death final. Left to right, they are: Forsyth, skip; Lorne Stewart, third; Alistair McDiarmid, second; and Art Meers, lead.

Blackwood on Bridge

By Easley Blackwood

Mr. Muzzy looked like a man with a secret purpose. He had asked Mr. Judge for his book of laws and was thumbing through it, smiling slyly. Finally a look of deep satisfaction came over his face. He handed the book back to Mr. Judge without saying what he had found that pleased him so much.

None vulnerable
North dealer

North (Mr. Champion)	South (Mr. Muzzy)
S-A 9 3	S-5 2
H-A Q 6 5	H-K 10 9 4
D-7 3 2	D-A K Q
C-A K 10	C-Q J 5 3

West (Mr. Abel)	East (Mr. Muzzy)
S-6 4	S-5 2
H-7 3 2	H-K 10 9 4
D-3 10 5 6	D-A K Q
C-7 6 4 2	C-Q J 5 3

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1H	Dbl.	1S	Pass
2H	Pass	3S	Pass
4S	All pass		

A few hands later this deal came up. Mr. Dale opened the jack of diamonds and Mr. Muzzy rattled off three diamond tricks and shifted to the queen of clubs which Mr. Abel won on the board with the ace.

Marshall 11, Holkestad 11, Gill 2, Currie 1, Flaten 14, Smith 2, Boulter 2, Matthews 7. Total 50.

Intermediate
Fashion—Haugan 3, Bill 8, Mostad, Hebb 9, Intermela 1, Owens 5, Hill 9, Walsh. Total 35.

High School Green—Clark 1, Becker 7, Tait 4, Sather 6, Weber 4, Rhodes, Peneff 3, Sheppard, Woods, Petersen. Total 25.

Exhibition
High School Gold—McChesney 8, Ratchford 1, Kristmanson 6, Simonson 4, Letourneau 2, Nickerson, A. Blackaby 2, Morrison 2, Young 6, H. Blackaby 4. Total 35.

Co-Op—Holkestad 3, Morgan, MacDonald 6, Scherk (S) 2, Arney 8, Scherk (D) 12, Davis 4, Beynon 2. Total 37.

Junior
Rupert Hotel—McFarlane 2, McIntosh, Smith 2, Stacey, Parnell, Sankey 2, McKay 8, Helin, Donaldson, Leighton 1. Total 15.

High School—Martin, McAfee 7, Ciccone 6, Matthews 5, Kristmanson, Christenson 9, Blackaby 5, Menzies, Williamson, Total 32.

SPORT SHOTS

Baseball's most dynamic personality, John J. McGraw, died at New York 1 year ago. Baseball's "little Napoleon" who piloted the New York Giants for 30 years turned over the management to Bill Terry in 1922 but continued as vice-president of the club with which he won 19 National League pennants and three world series.

Kimberley Dynamiters bolstered Canada's hockey status abroad when they defeated England 3-0 in the World Amateur championships at London 14 years ago today. Kimberley went on to win the title with a 2-1 overtime victory over Switzerland.

At this point Mr. Muzzy said: "I want to review the bidding." "You can't," snapped Mr. Champion. "Not after the opening lead is made." "What's trumps?" Mr. Muzzy asked next.

"Mr. Judge, do we have to tell him what trumps are?" grumbled Mr. Champion.

"Right here in clause 43," replied Mr. Judge, "it says that any player is entitled to be informed what the contract is and whether, but not by whom, it was doubled or redoubled."

So Mr. Champion told Mr. Muzzy that the contract was four spades, not doubled.

"Just a minute," said Mr. Muzzy with a cagey gleam in his eye. "Will you see what clause 44 says, Judge, old boy?" Mr. Champion protested that clause 44 was not in question. But Mr. Muzzy insisted and so Mr. Judge read it.

"Aha," said Mr. Muzzy triumphantly. "You see? The law requires dummy to put the trumps to his right. Look, Champion, you're always pulling the laws on me. How about obeying the laws yourself?"

Mr. Muzzy was right. In putting down the dummy hand, Mr. Champion had followed the practice of many expert players by laying down the different suits in no particular order. In this case he had placed his trumps to his left.

"If you will kindly follow the rules on this point, Champion, I will never again have to ask what trumps are," Mr. Muzzy added. "But what," asked Mr. Champion, "will you do when the dummy is out of trumps?" Mr. Muzzy still appeared pleased with himself, even though Mr. Abel went ahead and made four spades by a nice play.

Figuring Mr. Muzzy for the king of hearts by reason of his take-out double, Mr. Abel disdained the heart finesse. He led the ace of hearts at trick four and then ran all of his spades. Dummy's last three cards were the queen of hearts and the ace, ten of clubs. Mr. Muzzy had the king of hearts and the jack, five of clubs. Mr. Abel had left the jack of hearts, the nine of clubs and a trump. He led the trump, throwing the queen of hearts from dummy, and Mr. Muzzy was squeezed. To discard the king of hearts would allow declarer's jack to win and to throw a club would make both of dummy's clubs good.

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Vancouver Boy "Year" Swimmer

TORONTO, (CP)—Gerry McNamee of Vancouver, a champion at 16, has been named swimmer of the year by the Canadian Amateur Swimming Association. The dominion junior champion, who smashed two Canadian records a few days ago, will receive the Sir Edward Beatty trophy, the C.A.S.A. announced.

The trophy was won previously by Vancouver's Irene Strong, who wasn't forgotten in the awards for 1950. The Beatrice Pines trophy for Canada's outstanding woman swimmer will be shared jointly by Irene and Norma Stewart of Victoria, a junior who swims for the YWCA.

Another member of the McNamee clan, Kay, was listed among the "strong contenders" for the woman's trophy. The others were Evelyn Buchanan, Toronto, and Lynda Adams Hunt, Vancouver.

Runners-up for the Beatty trophy were diver Lucien Beaumont of Quebec, who participated in the recent centennial games in New Zealand, and Ron Crane of Vancouver. They were followed by Dr. George Athans of Kelowna, B.C., emigre games diver; Peter Salmon of Victoria, another games athlete; Splashers from Ocean Falls, Allan Gilchrist and Jim Portelance, and George Stulac of Toronto.



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