HOOP ALL STARS POISED TO ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ BEAT KETCHIKAN HERE

Interest is mounting in the forthcoming basketball series between Doc Montgomery's Prince Rupert All-Stars and Ketchikan All-Stars which will be held at the Civic Centre gym on Saturday of this week and Monday and Tuesday of next week. With Jack Lindsay and Angus Macphee off the line-up for the first time this season, supporters are going all-out in predicting that the younger stars of the local league will do as well if not better than the veterans and none can tell Doc Montgomery that he is taking the worst of it by trying to mould a team strong enough for inter-town competition in the short period of three weeks.

At last night's practice session Montgomery had big Sev Dominato, Bobby Houston and Sonny Beynon working in smoothly with his Savoy outfit and, even though he admits he will have a little trouble filling Macphee's shoes at centre, he insists, on the other hand, that the team meeting Ketchikan Saturday night will be one of the most formidable from a scoring standpoint that a town this size can produce.

Joe Davis, the "sweetheart" of the fans, will stay at guard with Dominato in this coming series and Bob Houston, Dominato's partner for many years, on defence, will move up to the forward line to steady the less experienced members of the team that will be seeing their first chore as all-stars. Houston, who has been appointed captain of the squad, has been coming through with the odd few points since trying out at forward and is rated by Coach Montgomery as one of his most potent marksmen.

Many fans have been at a loss as to why Ketchikan should be invited here for another series before the local boys visited Ketchikan but it has been explained by League Secretary Alex Bill that the series has a two-fold purpose. First of all, the Bo-Me-Hi boys must be sent south and that takes care of any financial gain there might result from the games. Secondly, it was hardly considered fair that Doc Montgomery should be sent north with a team that was untried in inter-town competition without first having a chance to work his boys against a visiting team here at home.

It was first planned to have Petersburg, Alaska, play here January 31 and February 1 but, when it was made known that the Petersburg team could not make the trip, Ketchikan was invited and they have informed the association that they are glad to accept the invitation.

This Ketchikan team has, so far, been undefeated since they lost one game to Prince Rupert early in the season and they are out to square matters by winning the series this coming week-end by at least two games out of three. They defeated New Metlakatla by a one-sided score in their only game with the Annette Islanders this season and have added that great scoring threat, Johnny Mills, to the line-up that showed here a few months ago. Mills, it may be remembered, is the lad that set Prince Rupert on its ears at the Roosevelt Gym last winter when Prince Rupert narrowly squeezed by Ketchikan in the senior tournament to go on to the championship by easily downing New Metlakatla in the finals.

PRINCE RUPERT'S GOOD RECORD

Records show that Prince Rupert does not do too badly when it comes to inter-town athletics and the players take an interest simply because the fans show them such ardent support. Looking back on the years prior to the war and on the past two seasons, local teams have made great showings against all comers and are now looking to the south for competition so that the calibre of basketball played here will compare with any in Canada. If the local association is successful in having the Senior "B" champions of the province visit here after the provincial playdowns, there will be a test of strength on the local front and observers of the play both here and Vancouver insist that the locals are ready for the best they have to offer in those ranks anywhere in Canada.

According to Alex Bill, Port Edward and the Co-Op teams of the intermediate league will open the proceedings on Saturday night and the prelim games on Monday and Tuesday will feature the Junior and Ladies' League.

SHORT SPORT

The possibility of Sunday football in Britain is about as bright as Sabbath dog racing in Canada. The Football Association, ruling body of the sport, not only frowns upon Sunday soccer, it refuses to discuss it. A council meeting of the F.A. was held recently and defeated a resolution to examine the possibilities of such a thing happening. The resolution asked for appointment of a special committee to examine and report on the subject of the future policy of the F.A. in this respect. Some relaxation was allowed during the war because men in the services often could play only on Sundays. Long hours in industry had the same effect and Sunday sport became respectable. With the end of the war, the F.A. returned to normal. Any player found playing Sunday football is liable to be banned for life from competition under F.A. jurisdiction.

Stabled in the garage of an old bombed-out house in a crowded suburb within five miles of the heart of London, a horse is training for the Grand National steeplechase March 28. He is eight-year-old Michael's Pearl, owned by Walter Seward, publican. His training is not exactly conventional, but Steward claims that although he has been called on to jump obstacles more than six feet high, he has never fallen.

A. G. Paul, who played cricket for Lancaster county club for many years and member of the club which won the county championship in 1897, died at his Didsbury, Manchester, home recently. He was 82. Paul also was a first-class rugby fullback and toured Australia with an English team in 1888.

Martin Turner, Cambridge Blue and England rugby trial player, set some kind of record when he played four games in a week. He started out with an England trial game at Twickenham on a Saturday. Four days later he performed for Surrey, the following day turned out for Public School Wanderers and finished the week off with an appearance for Whitgiftians.

Refugio, only American entry in the Grand National, failed to impress on his first race in England, finishing nearly last in the Playing Fields handicap hurdle race. He was ridden by Jockey F. D. Adams, son of the owner.

DEATH FROM OLD WOUND

LONDON (AP)—Death of the 59-year-old veteran of the First World War from softening of the brain was blamed by a coroner's jury on a wound he suffered in the Battle of the Marne in 1915.

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CANADIENS NEAR TOP

Shut-out Toronto Maple Leafs in Crucial Game Last Night

MONTREAL, (CP) — With one game still in hand, Montreal Canadiens reduced to half a game the margin which separates them from the leadership of the National Hockey League by defeating the league-leading Toronto Maple Leafs 2 to 0 at the Forum here last night. The Maple Leafs and Canadiens have now each won 24 games and lost 11 while the Maple Leafs have tied six and Canadiens five.

Tomorrow night the Canadiens will receive the Rangers at Montreal and will journey to New York Sunday night for another game at Madison Square Garden. The Maple Leafs have only one week-end game scheduled—with the Chicago Black Hawks at the Gardens in Toronto Saturday night.

The week-end schedule is as follows:

Saturday—New York at Montreal, Chicago at Toronto, Boston at Detroit.

Sunday—Montreal at New York, Boston at Chicago.

The league standings to date:

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Toronto	24	6	11	135	100	54
Montreal	24	5	11	130	83	53
Boston	16	8	16	112	114	40
New York	16	5	19	109	115	37
Detroit	12	7	22	120	142	31
Chicago	11	3	24	110	162	25

WHIRLWINDS MOP UP LADIES' "B" BOWLING

Whirlwinds were the only team to emerge from last night's Ladies' "B" League bowling with an unbroken record of victory. They also ran up the highest aggregate score in their session with Revenuers and were distinguished by having the highest individual single game score, bowled by E. Mennell.

Game scores:

Whirlwinds 3, Revenuers 0.
Bankers 2, Watts & Nickerson 1.
Prices Board 2, Co-op 1.
Khatadas 2, Atlin 1.
Dockettes 2, Peoples Store 1.

PEOPLES—			
C. Bellamy	118	150	181
E. Clark	151	129	176
M. Stewart	144	133	117
I. Ramsay	186	180	205
S. Ramsay	133	154	152
Handicap	49	49	49
	780	795	880
DOCKETTES—			
R. Magner	123	119	125
E. Osterberg	62	.....	62
M. Montgomery	133	189	171
F. Haigrimson	114	134	139
E. Anderson	154	184	163
R. Christensen	.....	141	149
Handicap	67	66	66
	658	833	813
KHATADAS—			
Y. Turcotte	183	110	73
M. McRae	95	110	105
B. Payne	134	163	139
A. Grimble	182	154	113
H. Watrin	144	130	140
Handicap	116	116	116
	854	783	686
ATLIN—			
G. McNeill	149	90	197
F. Cramer	139	144	136
L. Schroder	122	137	101
J. Neilson	163	118	156
P. Campbell	54	63	151
Handicap	76	76	76
	694	628	817
W.P.T.B.—			
A. Holkestad	209	155	163
B. McChesney	89	74	96
M. Johnson	73	132	127
P. Block	91	45	95
E. McCrank	173	127	88
Handicap	123	123	123
	758	656	692
CO-OP—			
M. Shrubsall	103	108	89
S. Johnson	87	124	146
J. Clark	115	130	103
B. Rudderham	196	88	113
D. Simonson	105	96	183
Handicap	134	134	134
	740	680	768
W. & N.—			
A. Pierce	174	186	244
E. Moxley	142	83	183
A. Wrathall	216	133	132
N. Munthe	73	127	176
V. Wrathall	171	152	222
Handicap	38	38	38
	814	719	995
BANKERS—			
M. Acton	115	131	91
J. Thornton	206	167	148
B. Usick	126	183	141
M. Amadio	138	94	155
B. Laird	159	154	87
Handicap	115	115	115
	859	844	737
REVENUERS—			
R. Andocassen	116	77	114
G. Stangebye	150	81	165
K. Reid	170	132	95
R. Ramsay	140	112	139
E. Hintz	133	110	118
Handicap	23	23	23
	737	540	718
WHIRLWINDS—			
B. Cowgill	157	149	135
A. DeMaere	163	137	141
M. Postuk	166	84	127
E. Morse	142	230	262
E. Mennell	124	236	187
Handicap	71	71	71
	823	907	923

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