

## Today in Sports

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HOOP VISITORS LOSE—

### Bo-Me-Hi Defeats Vancouver Visitors In Series Opener

Locals Prove Too Much For Cream of Southern City's Basketball Talent

Coach Alex Bill's Booth Memorial High School squad last night took a 40-36 victory from visiting Magee High School, cream of Vancouver high school teams, in a game that probably would have been an even clearer-cut northern victory had not the locals lost two of their strongest players in the fourth quarter through fouls.

The encounter was the first of a two-game series, second game of which will be played tonight at the Civic Centre.

Obviously failing to meet the type of competition they expected and to which they have been used to in the city league, Bo-Me-Hi took an 11-5 lead at the end of the first quarter, a lead that they had little trouble maintaining throughout the game.

Both teams set a terrific pace that continued until the final whistle and both sides played relatively clean ball although Magee players showed plainly that they are used to a less stringent type of refereeing than is normal in northern hoop circles.

By half-time, Bo-Me-Hi had expanded its advantage to 12 points, being on top of the 25-13 score. The visitors rallied briskly in the third quarter to narrow the score to 32-27 but failed to overcome the deficit in the fourth quarter.

Despite the fact that Flaten and Lavigne went to the bench within five minutes of the start of the final quarter, Bo-Me-Hi was able to maintain its lead until the final whistle.

Art Olsen, Bo-Me-Hi guard, put on an outstanding performance, grabbing rebounds from both backboards, a trick that gave his team the advantage time after time.

Mills and Loutit played outstandingly for Magee, both mak-

### JUVENILES IN OPENING PLAY

Provided Curtain Raisers in Basketball Last Night

Juvenile and junior hoop teams clashed in two post-season exhibition games which preceded the inter-city high school classic in the Civic Centre gym last night. In the juvenile opener, the "Yellows" defeated the "Blues" by a score of 10-8 while the junior exhibition saw Merchants defeat Morgans 23-21.

In the junior game, Merchants took a slight initial lead

ing effective use of their superior height.

Magee scored 12 field baskets and 12 free throws out of 35 shots while Bo-Me-Hi scored 15 field goals and 10 free shots out of 27 throws.

Hudson of Magee scored 11 points while Lavigne and Scherk scored 8 each for Bo-Me-Hi. Magee lost Mills, their centre, in the fourth quarter when he was sent to the bench with five personal fouls.

The scoring: Magee—Hudson 11, Deahliniers 2, Loutit 3, Southcott, Mills 6, Gutteridge 7, Marshall, Ostros- ser 5, Mair 2.

Bo-Me-Hi—Lavigne 8, Shier 4, Flaten 6, Olson 7, Davidson 3, Scherk 8, Carlson, Thompson 4, Spring Boulter.

Game officials were Johnny Comadina and Fred Calderone, referees; Nick Pavlikis, time-keeper; Oliver Santurbane, score-keeper.

which they managed to maintain but not expand throughout the ensuing four periods. Scherk of Merchants was the hottest marksman on the floor, sinking 18 of his team's 23 points, a scoring record that probably is as good as anything in the Junior League this season.

Ending the first quarter with a 2-0 lead, the Merchants arrived at half time with an 8-4 advantage. Third quarter score was 16-12 in favor of the Merchants.

In the juvenile game, Helin and Letourneau of the Yellows each scored five points, while for the Blues, McKay and Cicone marked up four each.

Both teams had a scoreless period, the Blues the second quarter and the Yellows the third. While Blues failed to score in the second, the Yellows were marking up an additional three points, bringing the half-time score to 6-2 in their favor. A basket by McKay in the third quarter brought the score to 6-4 in favor of the Yellows.

The scoring:

Junior Game  
Merchants—Scherk 18, Moore, Sunberg, Owens, Haugan 2, Hebb, Currie 2, Mercer 1.  
Morgans—Hill 4, Eldsvik 2, Webster 8, Lien 3, Watson 4, Jones, Scharff, Johnson.

Juvenile Game  
Yellows—Helin 5, Smith, Blackaby, Atkins, Letourneau 5, Lesieur, Blackaby, Davidson.  
Blues—McKay 4, Parnell, Cicone 4, Kristmanson, Penoff, Cameron, Becker, Findlay.

### SHORT SPORT

With bonspiels all over the country breaking entry records, curling has been enjoying a popularity that has never been exceeded, but it is hard to imagine modern curlers having enough enthusiasm for the "roarin' game" that they would use wooden curling rocks or curl by the light of a stable lantern. Yet that is just what was done back in 1907 in the small Saskatchewan town of Saltcoats. At the official opening of the Yorkton, Sask., bonspiel recently, Alderman Art McBurney heaved a five-pound, 41-year-old wooden rock down the ice and lost a nickel bet for failing to make the button.

Frank Garstone, who brought the wooden rock from Saltcoats to Yorkton, related that it was washed up on the nearby lakeshore last spring and that it was one of 16 made in 1907 when the Saltcoats rock tossers "curled on the lake by the light of stable lanterns. Garstone says that the rock was made with a draw-knife and rasp by Jim Kerr, the village blacksmith. Kerr and two brother Scots made an after-dark raid on timber which the railway was using for bridge pilings. The wooden rock was originally faced with a fine plate and to give it a keen surface was polished with stove lead.

The story goes that in 1907 the Saltcoats curlers, after many practice with their wooden rocks, attended the Northwest Territories bonspiel at Yorkton and won a final 18-end game to take home the winning prize. They used borrowed granites or the occasion.

REPORT FOR WELLINGTON, N.Z., (P)—Prime Minister Peter Fraser announced that the government intends to develop Rongotai as Wellington's airport. The project will take four years to complete and in two years some 70 houses and the Rongotai Boys' College will have to be removed.

TORQUAY, England (P)—Skull of a cave bear which is believed to have lived 400,000 years ago has been found here.

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### BASKETBALL CHATTER

If ever Alan Hurst or Alex Bill had reason to be proud and happy they did last night when the final whistle had gone and they found their charges, our Rainmakers, victors over the High School champions of all of British Columbia. It was strictly basketball and sportsmanship which the local boys displayed all evening and if statement may be made admitting at the same time that Magee were on the short end of the sin column. Rainmakers were called some 35 times to the visi-

tors 27 but they took those calls. They presented no alibis and when they lost Lavigne and Flaten with five apiece they knew they had it coming to them. On the other hand, some of the aggressive tactics of the visitors were at least a subject of discussion.

Let's hope tonight's game will leave us with a real good impression of High School basketball in the south. To claim a victory for the Rainmakers in this game tot-pont series at this stage calls for nothing but optimism. Two teams were never more evenly matched and, if anything, it will likely be the breaks that will decide the issue.

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ST VALUABLE PLAYER TO HIS TEAM—Highlight of a night honoring the Regina Caps hockey team recently, was presentation of the McSherry Memorial Trophy to Harvey Barry Cap defenceman. The trophy (awarded annually) miniature (which becomes personal property of the winner) to "the most valuable player to his team" in the West-Canadian Senior Hockey League. Here Al Pickard, president of Canadian Hockey Association (right), congratulates Har- rison as he turns over the awards.

### EDULE OF ED BOWLS

—Ideal Detergents vs. Triple X  
—Miss vs. Hits, B.C. Pack- ers  
—Cougars vs. Triple XXX  
—C.Y.O. vs. Ideal Deter- gents  
—C.Y.O. vs. Ideal Deter- gents  
—C.Y.O. vs. Ideal Deter- gents  
—C.Y.O. vs. Ideal Deter- gents

### MEN'S "A" FIVE-PINS

Apr. 5—Mansons vs. McMeek- ins, Brownwoods vs. Ambassa- dors, Malkins vs. Home Oil, Burns vs. Kilowatts, Revellers vs. North Star, Morgans vs. Con- tinental.  
Apr. 12—Revellers vs. Amba- sadors, Kilowatts vs. Home Oil, vs. North Star, Brownwoods vs. Burns vs. McMeekins, Morgans vs. Continental, Malkins vs. Man- sons.  
Apr. 19—Burns vs. Home Oil, Morgans vs. Continental, Man- sons vs. Ambassadors, Malkins vs. Revellers, Brownwoods vs. North Star.

### BLONDIE by CHIC YOUNG

