



THIS IS THE PLAY in which halfback Billy Vessels of the Edmonton Eskimos was injured in a Western Interprovincial Football Union game against Winnipeg Blue Bombers at Edmonton. Vessels, a leading scorer in the WIFU since being imported from Oklahoma, is being brought down on the Winnipeg 25-yard line by guard Dean Bandiera and end Bud Grant (78). At extreme left is Buck Rogers (56) who is coming in on the play in which Vessels suffered a fractured muscle attachment on the spine. Winnipeg won the game 17-8.

SPORTS ROUND-UP

By GAYLE TALBOT

NEW YORK (AP)—Signs of the times: There was a slam-bang hockey game at Madison Square Garden the other night between New York Rangers and Chicago Black Hawks. Interest was so slight that the management didn't bother to open up the balcony.

Mixed 'Spiel Semi-Finals Start Tonight

The season-opening mixed bonspiel at the Prince Rupert Curling Club last night moved into the quarter-finals in the primary event with three games played.

Highlighting play was the third consecutive victory of Bob Rudderham's rink, in another upset game. Rudderham's victim last night was Bill Anderson, going down to defeat with a final score of 10 to 8.

Another fight-to-the-finish game was on sheet two, where Barney Eyoifson vanquished Rusty Ford, 7 to 6, with Eyoifson's final rock breaking a 6-6 deadlock.

The third game of this draw saw Wakley and Ostertag stage a see-saw battle in which the Wakley foursome finally dominated with a 10-7 count.

Last night's three winners now advance to the semi-finals, opening tonight at 7 p.m. with Rudderham meeting Eyoifson. Wakley drew a bye into the finals which will wind up at 9 p.m. Monday.

In the secondary event, comprising one-time losers forced out of the primaries, five games were played last night with results as follows:

Stewart, 12, Meighen 9.
Warren 4, Berg 10.
Newton 8, Matthews 4.
Johnson 8, Moore 7.
Aston 5, Manson 11.

Ford will meet Ostertag and Shier will meet Taylor at 7 p.m. tonight. The winner of the Ford-Ostertag game will play Anderson and Manson will meet the winner of the Shier-Taylor game at 11 tonight. Stewart will play Berg and Johnson will meet Newton at 9 p.m.

The three finals will be played Monday night.

The draw committee for general curling, to open following the bonspiel, announces that registration for the Saturday night mixed round-robin play has overflowed and that only the first 48 paid-up women will be accepted. To assure entry, they should pay fees to Fred Aston.

First draw in the round-robin will be played next Saturday, and rinks participating will be advised.

Goalies Shine In WHL Games

It was goalie's night in the Western Hockey League Friday. Vancouver Canucks' Lorne Worsley whitewashed Seattle Bombers, whose Marcel Pelletier, did not flinch when called on to stop a penalty shot.

In two games, only three goals were scored. The Canucks edged the Bombers 1-0 in Vancouver and Victoria Cougars and Saskatoon Quakers split the honors 1-1 in Victoria.

Worsley turned in some brilliant work to get the shutout, his first since stepping down from New York Rangers.

Tonight, Saskatoon is at New Westminster and Calgary at Edmonton.

REMEMBER WHEN

By The Canadian Press

Harvey Pulford of Ottawa, who won fame in many Canadian sports, died 13 years ago today. He was a defenceman with the famed Ottawa Silver Seven, Stanley Cup winners of half a century ago, and also shone in football, lacrosse, amateur boxing and aquatic sports.

Injury-Ridden Canadiens Not Worried

By The Canadian Press

Montreal Canadiens have the National Hockey League's longest injury list, but few tears are being shed on their behalf.

The Stanley Cup champions travel to Chicago for a date with the last-place Black Hawks tonight without centres Dickie Moore and Jean Beliveau and defenceman Doug Harvey. But they own a four-game winning streak, the longest of the season, and a four-point bulge over their nearest competitor.

The history of the Habitués is studded with occasions when substitutes proved the undoing of the opposition. The most recent example was Thursday night's performance by Tom Johnson, who switched from his defence spot to centre and scored the two goals that beat Toronto Maple Leafs 3-1.

Even with the loss of all-star defenceman Harvey, who suffered a knee injury in the late stages of the Toronto game, coach Dick Irvin considered himself so well stocked with blue-liners that he called up a centre, Gerry Desaulniers of Montreal Royals, as a replacement.

Canadiens meet Wings in Detroit Sunday.

The Wings, the last team to take Montreal's measure, clobbered the Canadiens 4-0 on their last visit but have dropped 4-1 and 1-0 decisions to hitme on the road.

Toronto Maple Leafs, tied with the Bruins for third place, engage New York Rangers in a home-and-home set, starting in Toronto tonight.



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Filchok Sure West Will Win Cup But Holds Little Hope For Riders

By WILF CHISLETT

Canadian Press Staff Writer

REGINA (CP)—Fearless Frank Filchok says "the team that wins in the West this year will win the Grey Cup," but not even the most hopeful of fans concedes him a chance of carrying the Prairie banner East.

The old warrior with the wobbly legs and stiff right arm led his Saskatchewan Roughriders into the second game of the Western Interprovincial Football Union semi-final here today against Winnipeg Blue Bombers under what appeared to be insurmountable odds—a 38-point deficit in the two-game total-point series.

Only a miracle could recoup the stunning 43-5 loss Riders suffered in Winnipeg Wednesday night in the first game of the series and send Saskatchewan into the final against Edmonton Eskimos. But fans in this football crazy capital were right behind their team as they have been all season.

There wasn't scratching room in the 13,000-seat stadium at Taylor Field for the game and it seemed the players would have to move over for the standing-room customers. The crowd was expected to number close to the record 15,565 fans here Thanksgiving Day, despite a forecast of near-freezing weather and possible snow.

White flakes which swept over the field Friday were expected to make the surface slippery by game time at 2 p.m.

Filchok made his prediction Friday night after Riders watched a film of the first semi-final game. He didn't say Saskatchewan could not pull the football upset of the year against Bombers although he admitted it was "going to be tough to get all those points back."

He said the film showed Riders weren't as bad in the first

game as the score indicated. Filchok said his team was in "pretty bad shape," but "we're going out there and really play ball."

Winnipeg has most players in good shape. The only switch from Wednesday is expected to be a substitution of a tackle Roger Savio for Rose McCallum.

Filchok said, win or lose, he was "very proud" of his boys this year. "We didn't have the material and I think some of them knew it. But they still did a wonderful job."

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BELDIE ALLINSON, 17, has been chosen Miss Balm Beach and will represent the Ontario Rugby Football Union team in the Miss Grey Cup contest at Toronto late in November. She is five feet five inches tall, has dark hair, but you can see for yourself.

Basketball Meet Set For Tuesday

An important meeting of the Prince Rupert Basketball Referees Association will be held in the Civic Centre, Tuesday, Nov. 3, at 7 p.m. Fred Calderon announced today.

Former, present or prospective referees are invited to attend as is anyone who wishes to become a referee in any of the proposed basketball leagues this season.

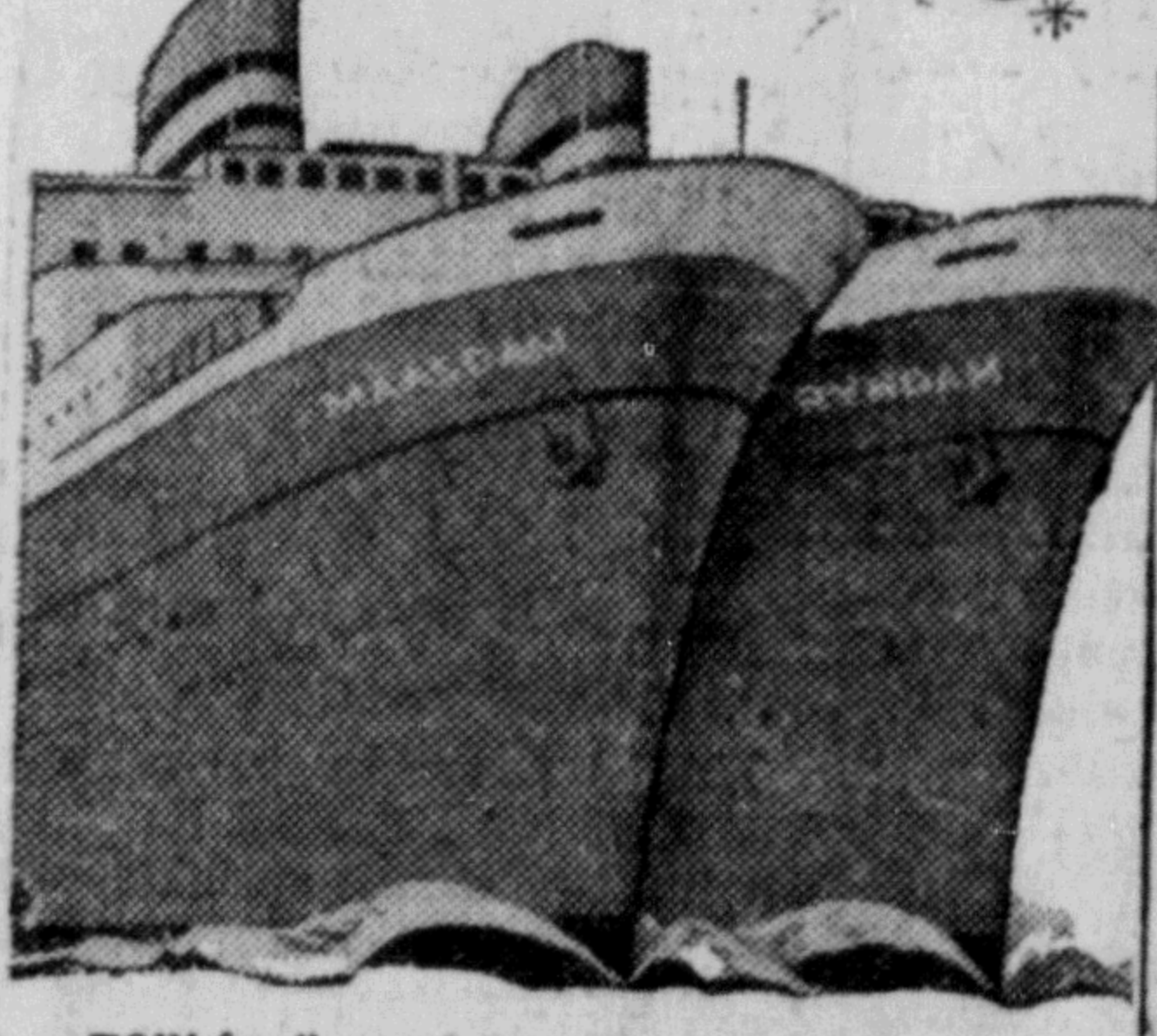
At the same time Fred Jones, chairman of the Prince Rupert Basketball Commission, announced that on opening night, Nov. 7, Columbia Cellulose quintet will play a visiting Terrace squad and Gordon & Anderson will meet Mansons in the opening night feature.

LAST NIGHT'S FIGHTS

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK—Teddy Red Top Davis, 130½, Hartford, Conn., outpointed George Araujo, 133½, Providence, 10.

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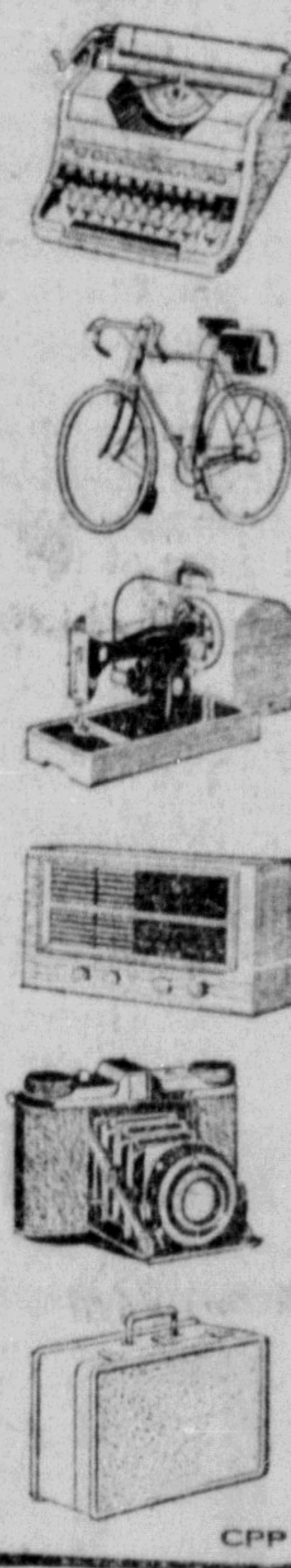
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