

Nickerson Sparks Third Bo-Hi Win

Sparked by Dick Nickerson and his one-handed mid-air shots, Booth Memorial High School Rainmakers made it three victories in a row last night at the Civic Centre as they downed the Duke of Connaught basketball team 45-36.

Nickerson with 15 points topped the Bo-Me-Hi shotmakers as Jack Evans' eight-man squad found themselves up against a desperate short-handed Royal City crew. The Dukes, determined to salvage one win from the three-game series played a hard-checking cagey game which stowed down the Prince Rupert team and saw the Bo-Me-Hi boys dropping passes and missing shots on the basket.

Minus Don Wallin, shotmaking captain, who had to fly back home yesterday, Dukes played a slower-paced game to conserve energy and avoid fouls. Out to back up their coach's forecast of a win by six points, the Dukes led by ranga Marvin Berg scored first and led up to the 6-5 mark when Nickerson pulled off one of his deadly shots from the side of the floor. Berg was fouled by Mouse Morrison for two shots, both of which he sank to make it 8-7. Another tally by Nickerson and the Dukes had lost the lead never to regain it. The first quarter ended 10-8 and the second 20-15 as Nickerson counted twice, and Rod Tait and Freddy Kristmanson scored a field goal each.

LONG SHOTS CHEERED

The Rainmakers took the third quarter 10-8 as the Dukes harried by the fear of fouling

out, tried to stem the Bo-Me-Hi rushes and slow the game down to their own pace. As the tension grew Dukes equalled the Rainmakers in breaking up passing plays. At the 6-second mark Jack Rebagliati drew cheers from the crowd as he scored with an unusually long shot only to have the ovation drowned as Ron Ciccone, with 3 second left, lofited a ball from Rainmakers' territory into the Dukes' basket.

Rainmakers second-stringer Gary Morison starred for the locals in the last frame as he matched shots with a driving Marvin Berg, both of them netting six points. Down 30-23 going into the final quarter Dukes saw the margin widened as Freddy Kristmanson hooked in two field goals and Nickerson dumped in another, to take the quarter 15-13.

MORE FIELD GOALS

The Rainmakers outscored the Dukes 18 field goals to 10 but the New Westminster quintet again demonstrated their superiority of the foul line, sinking 16 out of 26 free shots while Bo-Me-Hi hit pay dirt on only 9 out of 24. Berg sank 7 free shots in 12 tries out of his 17-point total. Bo-Me-Hi was penalized 17 times and the Dukes 14 times.

In a junior exhibition game Ormes downed Bulgurs 25-16. High man for the winners was D. MacIntosh with 8 points and F. Rowe scored 10 to lead the losers.

Lineups:

High School Exhibition Bo-Me-Hi Rainmakers—Kristmanson 9, Ciccone 8, W. Morrison 3, Stewart, Tait 4, Nickerson 15, G. Morison 6, Black Total 45.
Duke of Connaught—Berg 17, K. Wallin 1, Rebagliati 7, Clasby 10, Keen 1. Total 36.

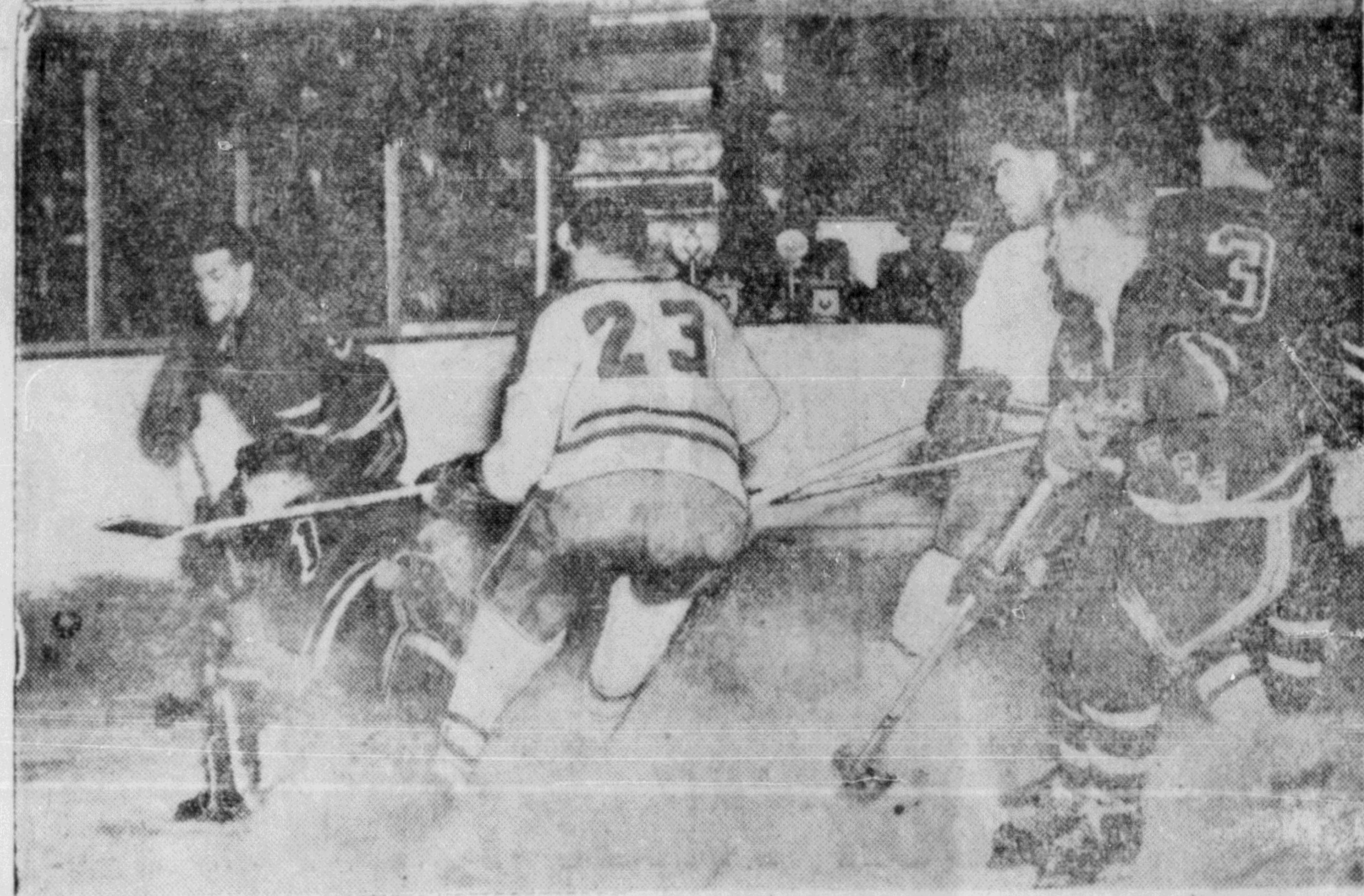
Junior Boys' Exhibition Ormes—Leeman 6, Duncan 4, Hodekinson 3, MacIntosh 8, Hewitt, Chow, Leighton 4, Kelly, Total 25.

Bulgurs—Lambie, J. Johnson 2, F. Johnson 1, Thom, Twaites 1, Walmough, Rowe 10, Halverson 2. Total 13.

Last Night's Fights

By The Canadian Press
MINNEAPOLIS—Del Flanagan 149%, St. Paul, Minn., outpointed Johnny Saxton. 149%, New York, 10; Pete Kawulla, 130, Winnipeg, and Dick Powell, 127, Chicago, drew 4; Billy Pinkus, 146%, Winnipeg, stopped Jackie Richards, 155, Detroit, 3.

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MONTREAL CANADIENS bore in on New York Rangers' goal in a National Hockey League game at Montreal in which the second-place Canadiens defeated the fifth-place Rangers 2-0. The game was lively but without a brawl like that which a week previously enlivened the meeting of the two teams. Dollard St. Laurent (third from right) is held off by Ranger defenders while Eddie Mazur (23) flicks the puck past the open net. Goalie Johnny Bower sprawls on the ice.

Mixed, Men's and Legion Curling Schedules Fixed

Curling will resume at the re-iced Prince Rupert Curling rink Saturday after the Christmas and New Year recess with schedules for play in the Mixed League and continuation of the George Cook's Jewellers competition drawn up. Regular play in the Mixed league is slated to finish on February 20 and the playoffs will start the following week. In the Men's league the Cook's trophy competition will continue on Tuesday, January 5.

Last Sunday the Canadian Legion curlers held an organizational meeting and the first draw and rink personnel were drawn up. The skips may arrange the positions of his rink members as he chooses. Jeannie Warren trophy play will begin on Sunday, January 3.

Schedules with ice numbers in brackets are as follows:

Mixed League
January 2: 7 p.m.—Miller vs. Moore, Shier vs. McNeice, Willson vs. Bone. 9 p.m.—Thom vs. Turner, Taylor vs. Ford, McDonald vs. Garner.
January 9: 7 p.m.—Gordon vs. Wakley, Sieber vs. McBroom, Newton vs. Kellough. 9 p.m.—Meighen vs. McKenzie, Eyoifson vs. Berg, McLean vs. Anderson.
January 16: 7 p.m.—Miller vs.



THE NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE has suspended Boom Boom Geoffrion, high-scoring right-winger with Montreal Canadiens, as a result of the Boomer's stick-swinging duel with Ron Murphy of New York Rangers, Dec. 20. Murphy suffered a broken jaw in the battle at New York and was also suspended.

Legion League Schedule

January 3: 8:00 p.m.—Andrew vs. E. Anderson, Bone vs. Stewart.
January 10: Loifgren vs. Lemire, Stewart vs. Prokorkow, 8:00 p.m.—Andrew vs. Anderson, Bone vs. Lemire, Stewart vs. Prokorkow.
January 17: Hootz vs. Anderson, Bone vs. Lemire, Stewart vs. Prokorkow.
January 24: Stewart vs. Lemire, Hootz vs. Anderson, Loifgren vs. Prokorkow.
January 31: Hootz vs. Baxter, W. Anderson vs. E. Anderson, Bone vs. Prokorkow.
February 7: W. Anderson vs. Andrew, Stewart vs. Loifgren, Lemire vs. Prokorkow.
February 14: Bone vs. Loifgren, E. Anderson vs. Baxter, to be decided.

Miners Sign New Contract

TIMMINS, Ont. (CP)—A new contract has been signed between Hoilinger Consolidated Gold Mines and the United Mineworkers of America (U.M.W.A.), marking the end of a 14-week strike for higher wages and checkoff of union dues. The 1,500 strikers won a wage increase of five cents an hour but did not get the checkoff.

HOCKEY SCORES

National League
Montreal 2, Toronto 2
Western League
Saskatoon 3, Seattle 2
New Westminster 6, Victoria 3
Okanagan Senior
Vernon 6, Kelowna 2

Australians Take Davis Cup For Fourth Straight Year

BY WILL GRIMSLEY but simply hadn't the ground MELBOURNE (AP)—Ken Rosewall, 19-year-old pint-sized rifleman, saved the coveted Davis Cup for Australia today by mowing down the depressed Wimbledon champion, Vic Seixas, 6-2, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4 in the climactic fifth match of the challenge round with the United States.

Nervous as a kitten at first but inhaling confidence as the American fell into the simplest errors, the dark-haired Sydney youngster swept past his opponent in 93 minutes to give the Aussies a 3-2 victory and their 11th triumph since the series started in 1900.

This was the fourth straight year the Australians have beaten off the U.S. in the challenge round. The Aussie victory squares the post-war competition at four each. The Americans won from 1946 through 1949.

Although neither Rosewall nor Seixas played above-average tennis in the technical sense of the word, it was a good match from a competitive standpoint and for the crowd of 17,500 that filled every seat in Kooyong Stadium.

Right down to the final point there was doubt about the winner. In the 10th game of the final set Seixas whipped into a 1-15 lead on Rosewall's service and seemed about to break Ken's delivery for the second time in a row.

But the Australian had the weapons to run it out, although Seixas fought off three match points. Vic went down fighting.

Clubs Get '54 Licences

VICTORIA (CP)—Liquor licences for 1954 were mailed to clubs and hotels this week, a Liquor Control Board spokesman said today. Under the new Liquor Act passed at the last session of the legislature all licences could be extended till the end of 1954 when they will be cancelled. No new licences were mailed.

After 1954 clubs and hotels will have to comply with one of the four licence classifications—dining lounge, lounge, dining room or tavern—if they are to stay in business.

NAMED OLYMPIC COACH
VANCOUVER (CP)—Veteran coach Percy Norman of the Vancouver Amateur Swimming Club has been chosen coach of Canada's swimming team for the 1954 British Empire Games here.

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Kay Johnson, Flo Choquette Top Ladies' Loop

Kay Johnson of Cloverleafs topped A Division of the Ladies' Bowling league Tuesday when she captured high single game and high three with scores of 296 and 624. Team high single was won by Dibb Printing with 1119 and New Laurel rolled 2920 to take team high triple.

B Division Flo Choquette of Phoenix Grocery rolled 289 and 627 to take high single game and high three. Skeena also took team high single and high three with scores of 988 and 2657.

A Division: Sunrise 4, Bulger's 0; Rupert Radio 4, Dom's (defaulted); Dibb Printing 3, Lyons 1; Annettes 3, G & A 1; New Laurel 3, Cloverleafs 1; Stars 2, Art Murray's 2.
B Division: Manson's 4, Toilers 0; Skeena Grocery 4, 75 Taxi 0; Seventh Avenue, Meat 3, Big Sisters 1; PR Plumbers 3, Cook's 1; Wallace R 3, Hi-Flyers 1; Copp 2, McKay's 1.

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