

Spokane Victory Dumps Smokies Back in Cellar

Trail Smoke Eaters found their absence from the Western International Hockey League basement a brief one. After 24 hours in third place, the Smokies slipped back into the cellar when Nelson lost 3-2 in overtime in Spokane.

A goal with 89 seconds left to play in regulation time led to another counter in the Okanagan Senior Hockey League as Vernon Canadians beat the Elks 5-3 in Kamloops Wednesday night.

Defenceman Don McLeod rifled a bullet drive past Boomer Rodzzyak to send Canadians ahead 4-3. Boomer left the nets for a sixth attacker and Mick Gidday slid an insurance marker home.

Other goals by Canadians, now two full games ahead of the Elks, were scored by Merv Blowski, Orval Lavell and Ode Lowe. Johnny Millard with one and Dave Duke with two counted for Kamloops.

At Spokane, Doug Toole scored the winning goal on a relay from Wingo Johnston and Archie Scott.

Spokane took a 2-0 lead in the first period of goals by Frank Kubacki and Lorne Nadeau. Herb Jeffrey and Elmer Gare scored for Nelson in the game in the third period.

Trall will take on league-leading Kimberley tonight in the only game scheduled.



Photo by Milford Welch.

1954 Winners Expected To Repeat In Canadian Skating Championships

TORONTO (CP) The Canadian figure skating championships start here today and the consensus is last year's stars will shine again.

Sonja Currie of Calgary is rated a natural for the senior ladies' singles title. Sonja, 17, lost to Barbara Graton of Toronto at Calgary last March by a tenth.

Remember when...

National Hockey League governors postponed the Montreal Canadiens-Mapele Leafs game at Toronto 19 years ago tonight out of respect for the memory of King George V, who died that day. The Chicago Maroons game at Montreal was also called off on January 28, date of the King's funeral.

of a point, but Barbara has since quit competitive skating to concentrate on studies.

Charles Snelting, 17, of Toronto will defend the senior men's singles title he won last year. In the senior pairs the current Canadian and world champions, Frances Daseo, 21, and Norris Bowden, 27, are defending their title. This is their sixth year as a team.

Six are competing in the senior ladies' class including 16-year-old Joan Shippam of Calgary, youngest member of the group. Joan, formerly of Schumaker, Ont., made her debut in major competition at Calgary last year and won the junior women's compulsory school figures title.

Joan has been skating for seven years now and for the last two months she's been practising seven hours a day. She's been so busy "I haven't even had time for dates."

HOPES FOR OLYMPICS

She hopes to have a chance at the Canadian skating team in the Olympic games next year.

The biggest field in the three-day program is in the junior ladies' singles. Eighteen skaters are entered.

Pamela Willman of Vancouver and Karen Dixon of Calgary, who placed third and fourth last year, are in the running. Sonja Snelling, Charles' 12-year-old sister, is making her first try at the Canadian junior championships.

Competition begins Thursday in the junior men's and ladies' school figures. The junior dance and the junior free skating finals will be held Friday.

The senior men's and ladies' school figures, the senior dance

NHL Standings

	W	L	T	P	Pts
Detroit	37	19	6	117	80
Montreal	35	19	7	141	65
Vancouver	19	12	14	104	77
Boston	18	17	12	90	114
New York	11	23	12	99	132
Chicago	0	20	10	04	140

WHL Standings

	W	L	T	P	Pts
Edmonton	24	9	8	103	120
New West	22	10	7	121	103
Calgary	23	17	0	177	100
Victoria	20	22	4	104	144
Vancouver	10	31	4	117	137
Banff/Jasper	12	20	5	148	170

Ocean Falls Cagers Here, Schedule Changed

Eight Ocean Falls High School basketball players and their coach, D. Little arrived on the CNSS Prince George yesterday in preparation for the Northern B.C. Inter-High School Invitational Basketball Tournament, tomorrow and Saturday. Yesterday afternoon they were settled in billets provided by parents of Booth Memorial High school students and will probably be getting in some practice on the Civic Centre gym floor before the tournament starts at 2 p.m. tomorrow.

Due to the fact that Terrace High School's boys and girls teams are unable to arrive here until tomorrow evening, tournament officials have had to completely re-schedule the tournament with the exception of Saturday night play.

Following is the new schedule:

FRIDAY
2:00 p.m.—Kilmat vs Ocean Falls (boys).
2:45 p.m.—Bo-Me-III Golds vs Kilmat (girls).
3:15 p.m.—North Star vs Frizzell's (boys).
4:00 p.m.—Sunrise vs Kilmat (boys).
7:00 p.m.—Kilmat vs Bo-Me-III Greens (girls).
7:30 p.m.—Ocean Falls vs Sunrise (boys).
8:15 p.m.—Frizzell's vs Terrace (boys).
9:00 p.m.—Terrace vs Golds (girls).
9:30 p.m.—North Star vs Kilmat (boys).
10:15 p.m.—Terrace vs Greens (girls).

SATURDAY
1:30 p.m.—Terrace vs Sunrise (boys).
2:15 p.m.—Kilmat vs Frizzell's (boys).
3:00 p.m.—Ocean Falls vs Terrace (boys).
3:45 p.m.—North Star vs Sunrise (boys).
5:15 p.m.—North Star vs Terrace (boys).
7:00 p.m.—Terrace vs Kilmat (girls).
7:30 p.m.—Greens vs Golds (girls).
8:00 p.m.—Kilmat vs Terrace (boys).
8:45 p.m.—Ocean Falls vs North Star (boys).
9:30 p.m.—Frizzell's vs Sunrise (boys).

Referees for the boys games named thus far are Vern Clarence, Ole Statta and Fred Calderoni. Don Hartwig will help out with the girls game refereeing.

Cups and crests will be presented to the winning teams at the conclusion of the tournament and a dance will be held for all the students in the Booth Memorial high school gym after the final games.

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