Bombers Score Hollow Victory

At The CURLING CLUB

By BOB RUDDERHAM

In a few short months, we will once again be operating as an active curling club. The day we get started will be a good one as far as many of us are concerned, not only from the standpoint of being able to play this great game again, but the members of the building committee will have most of the job licked by that time and will have a few nights when they will be able to look for an extra game rather than attend a meeting.

Before we hand out all the bouquets to this committee for a good job well done, I would like to remind the membership of a certain group that are as much responsible for this new rink as anyone else. I refer to that small nucleus that got the ball rolling in the first place.

According to **Jack Laurie** who should know, **Dr. Mitch Greene** should get the credit for the beginning of the club. When Dr. Greene first came to this city, he never rested until he got enough interested to form a curling club as it is maintained that the good Doctor couldn't live in any town that didn't have curling.

Jack Laurie, in my opinion, did a tremendous job in the early formation of the curling club. Jack not only signed up approximately 75 percent of the membership but also got stuck with the very unpopular job as chairman of the volunteer labour committee, really a one-man outfit. Jack coaxed begged and brow-beat many of the present membership to come down and put in a few hours of work, the result being an active curling club for the very minimum cost.

Another curler of note that deserves a great deal of credit is **Neely Moore**. Neely is now back in **Port Arthur** but still retains his interest in the operation of the Prince Rupert Curling club. He is a past president and was on the executive continually until he left town a couple of years ago.

When the building was purchased and the club formed, a big job of alteration took place. Among the most active of the workers was **Leon Blain, Lindsay Eby, Angus McDonald, Bill McKenzie** and **Ray Wilkins. Wilf** and **Bill McLean** also helped out tremendously by allowing their equipment to be used for millwork and also pitched in on the evenings as well.

Others who contributed immensely since the club started operating are **Gordon Bateman, Bill Baxter, Percy Berg, Roy Brown, Dom Dominato, Bert Field, Gene Hollison, Mel Mathews, Scott McLaren, Ted Parker, Warnie Petersen,** and **Ev Shier.**

Bill Vance, heading the local building supply firm of Philpott, Evitt and Co. Ltd., generously donated materials to give the Snake Room a touch of class.

The firm that has been a tremendous help to the club is the **B. C. Packers Ltd.** This company has sold us the refrigeration from the start and at a very nominal figure. Had the Prince Rupert Curling club purchased their own freezing equipment, the depreciation charges alone would have been more than our refrigeration's cost as charged by this company.

It is likely that I have left off some of the most important names but it has been unintentional. The main thing to remember is that it would have been ten times as hard to raise the money for this new structure if it hadn't been for these few. Also keep in mind that all those mentioned in this column had their sights set on a pulding such as we are about to get but they loved the game enough to be willing to settle for less in the meantime.

Tripucka, McNamara Set Passing Marks

By The Canadian Press

Frank Tripucka, the old pro from Notre Dame, rewrote the conference passing record books and Oklahoman Buddy Leake won the individual scoring championship by a single point over teammate Bob McNamara Saturday as the Western Interprovincial Football Union ended its 1956 schedule in snow and rain.

Tripucka's passing arm led Saskatchewan Roughriders to a 33-0 victory over the last-place Calgary Stampeders before 8,000 who braved the snow and cold at Regina to watch Riders sew up second place and choose their home field for the opening of the semi-final next Saturday against Winnipeg Blue Bombers.

Bombers, with Leake scoring 15 points and Minnesota's McNamara 12, scored a somewhat hollow 33-0 victory over a skeleton crew of Edmonton Eskimos before 14,409 persons sitting in a driving rain at Winnipeg Saturday night.

Eskimos had already assured themselves of their fourth-straight first-place finish and six of their regulars saw no action against Bombers.

In the Big Four, Montreal, Hamilton and Ottawa have taken dead aim at a berth in the Grey Cup final while Toronto Argonauts are reviving the familiar "wait till next year" ditty. The Argo swan song was particularly sweet music to Frank Clair, an Argonaut castoff who returned to haunt his old club.

Clair, let out by Argos in 1954 after coaching the team to two Grey Cup victories in five years, applied the clincher Saturday when his Ottawa Rough Riders whipped Argos 30-19. Hamilton Tiger-Cats, fighting for the second-place spot in the Big Four, turned on Montreal Alouettes for a 50-14 upset.

Clair made good a promise he gave Ottawa fans before the season opened — he would get the Riders into their first playoff in five years. And he did it mainly at the expense of Argos.

Saturday's victory, before a Toronto crowd of 15,535, was the fourth in as many starts by Riders or the hot-and-cold Argonauts. It clinched them a playoff spot and at the same time nullified any chances Argonauts had of hitting the post-season series.

SAME OLD ORDER

When the final gun sounded in the WIFU Saturday night, Eskimos had an 11-5 record, Riders a 10-6 mark and Bombers a 9-7 standing. The order is the same as in the last three years and the only change in the playoff pattern is in the fact coach Frank Filchock of Saskatchewan has decided to play the opening game of the two-game total-point semi-final at home this time.

Filchock is hoping the switch will change his luck. Bombers have eliminated Riders in the semi-finals the last three seasons, scoring lonsided victories at Winnipeg in the first games, then dropping narrow counts to Riders at Regina in the second.

Winner of the semi-final will be at home against Edmonton's Grey Cup champions Nov. 10 in the first game of the final. Second game will be at Edmonton Nov. 12 and if a third is necessary, it will be at Edmonton November 17, a week before the Canadian final in Toronto.

Tripucka's passing and the Leake-McNamara scoring race highlighted an otherwise dull Saturday schedule, which actually meant nothing to any of the clubs so far as playoffs are concerned.

WEATHER NO HELP

Snowflurries and a biting 25-mile-an-hour wind made Tripucka's task that much more difficult, but the ace quarterback completed 14 of 24 attempts for 224 yards and thereby set two individual and two team marks.

Unofficial records show he has 216 completions in 16 games this season, 12 more than the record set by Indian Jack Jacobs in the 14-game schedule in 1951; and 3,274 yards gained passing for the season, compared with Jacobs' 1951 mark of 3,248.

Team records set are 232 completions, two more than the 230 set in 1953 by Winnipeg; and 3,439 yards passing, well above the 3,660 set in 1951 by Winnipeg.

Royals Blank Flyers 4-0, Take Second Spot to Seattle

By The Canadian Press

Ray Manson's overtime goal gave Brandon Regals a 4-3 win over Winnipeg Warriors Saturday night and a two-point hold on first place in the Western Hockey League's Prairie division standings.

Regals stand one win ahead of the Edmonton Flyers who were blanked 4-0 by New Westminster.

Seattle Americans preserved their perfect home-game record with a 6-3 win over Calgary in the league's third Saturday night fixture. Seattle leads the Coast division, with 12 points, two ahead of New Westminster.

Penalties almost cost Brandon its victory. Warriors' Hughie Barlowe and Riche Van Impe both scored while the Regals were shorthanded. It was Barlowe's second goal of the game.

In Seattle, two-goal efforts by Ray Kinasewich and Guyle Fielder and a singleton by Pete Wright gave the Americans a 5-0 lead at the close of the second period.

Calgary rallied in the third and by 17:51 had closed the gap to 5-3 on goals by Enio Sclisizzi, coach Lee Fogolin and Archie Scott. Gordy Sinclair snuffed out the Calgary comeback with Seattle's sixth goal at 18:45.

GOODWIN SHOWS WAY

Wingman Arlo Goodwin showed New Westminster the way, hitting the net late in the first period. The Royals held the slender lead throughout the second period and caught fire in the third as defenceman Pete Durham, and forwards Blinky Boyce and Dick Roberge each scored.

It was Bev Bentley's first shutout of the season. He handled 24 shots while Dennis Riggin turned out 31 levelled at the Flyer goal.

No WHL games are scheduled tonight. Tuesday night's schedule sends Victoria to Vancouver and Winnipeg to Edmonton.

Habs Suffer Two Straight Defeats As Leafs Trounce Hawks, Tie Ranger

By The Canadian Press

Montreal Canadiens and Detroit Red Wings were supposed to run one-two in the National Hockey League race this season. So far the experts are half right.

The Wings are breezing along at the top of the six-team league. But look at those poor Canadiens. They're fifth with only two victories and a tie in eight starts.

The Habs suffered two straight defeats during the weekend. They dropped a 1-0 decision to Boston Bruins at Montreal Saturday and had to endure a 4-1 beating from the Wings at Detroit Sunday night. Bitter, indeed, for the defending Stanley Cup champions who were expected to find most of the other teams easy pickings again.

The Detroiters have a two-point edge over Toronto Maple Leafs, who jumped ahead of New York Rangers into second spot with a weekend win and a deadlock.

Leafs trounced Chicago Black Hawks 5-2 in Toronto Saturday and tied the Rangers 1-1 in New York Sunday night.

The Wings have 12 points, Leafs 10 and Rangers nine. Bruins are fourth with seven points. Canadiens are next with five and Hawks are last—as usual—with one, that on a 1-1 tie with Canadiens Oct. 18.

Ted Lindsay, 31-year-old captain of Detroit Red Wings, fired a goal and picked up two assists Sunday to cling to a one-point lead in the National Hockey League scoring race.

Lindsay boosted his points total for the season to 19, one more than fellow Gordie Howe, who also collected a goal and two assists.

Dick Duff of Toronto, one of seven players tied for seven place with five points each, the leading sniper with goals.

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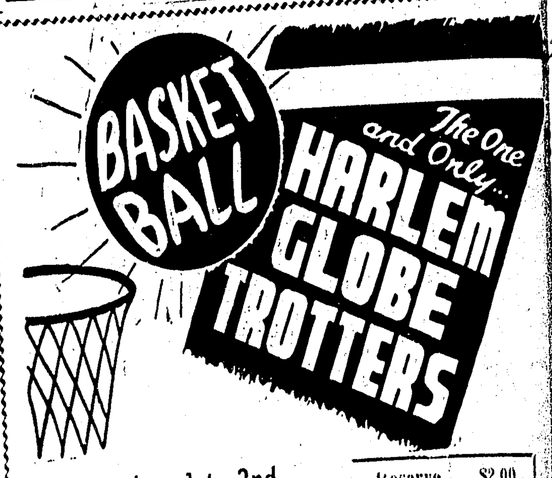

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Vancouver Man Sets Record In 10,000 Metre Track Event

VANCOUVER (CP)—Doug Kyle, 24-year-old geologist set an unofficial North American record for the 10,000 metres here Sunday when he was timed in 30 minutes, 15 4/5 seconds.

The record had been held by Joe Tyler of San Diego, Calif., who ran the distance this year in 30:31.9—16.1 seconds slower than Kyle's time.

Kyle bucking a strong crosswind at Vancouver's Stanley Park knocked one minute 26 1/5 seconds off the previous Canadian record set by Claude Bricker at Galt, Ont., in 1932.

His time at the five-mile mark set another Canadian record—24:26.0—or four seconds faster than the 24:28.0 mark established by Vancouver's Will Chandler in 1913. The Olympic record for the 10,000 metres is 29:17.0 set at Helsinki in 1952.

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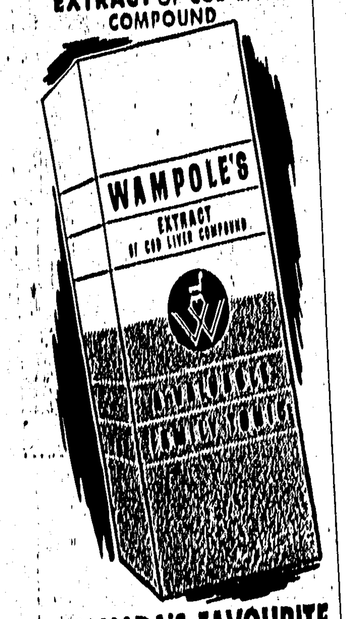

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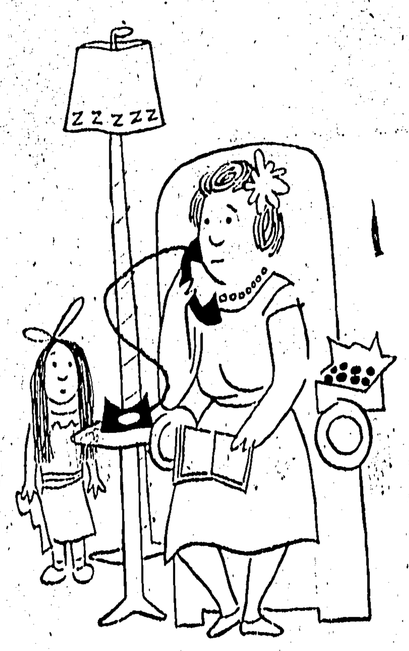

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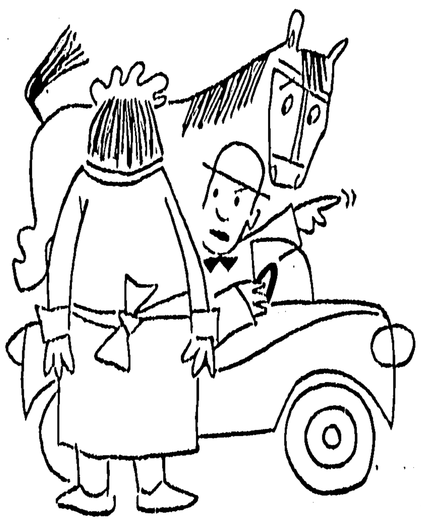

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