

Slesinger Aggregate Winner

George, City Rinks Split 'Spiel Honors

Prince Rupert and Prince George rinks shared top honors last night as the Fifth Annual Prince Rupert Bonspiel came to a close after 5½ days of 24-hour curling.

The Fashion Footwear Grand Challenge Trophy went to the President Thom as well as mantle radios and miniatures.

President Thom expressed appreciation of the efforts of those who had helped to make the bonspiel a success and paid particular attention to the work done by George Morgan, draw-master, "for his untiring efforts."

PRIZE WINNERS

List of prize and trophy winners were:

"A" Event—Mitchell, Fashion Footwear Trophy; travelling bags, miniature curling set. Second: Dan Johnston, miniatures and fishing tackle boxes. Third: Jim Georgeson, miniatures and sweaters. Fourth: Jack Laurie, miniatures.

"B" Event—Slesinger, Superior Auto Trophy; miniatures, electric drills. Second, Jim Johnson, Kitimat, miniatures and curling rock ashtrays. Third, Dick Heggie, Smithers, miniatures.

"C" Event—Clint Geddes, Prince George, North Star Trophy, miniatures, binoculars. Second, Cliff Delage, Smithers, miniatures, jackets. Third, Wilf McLean, miniatures. Fourth, Mel Mathews, miniatures.

"D" Event—Harrowl Thom, E. T. Applewhite Trophy, miniatures and camp stoves. Second, Peter Bird, miniatures and table lamps. Third, Geddes, miniatures. Fourth, Bob Anderson, miniatures.

"E" Event—Hugh Waller, Bacon Fisheries Trophy, miniatures, fishing rods. Second, Gordie Bateman (Jack Lindsay, skip) spotlight, miniatures. Third, Rusty Ford, miniatures. Fourth, Miner Simundson, miniatures.

"F" Event—Slesinger, Frizzell Motors Trophy (Grand Aggregate), miniatures, mantle radios.

SPECIAL PRIZES

Special prizes—Jim Woods, Kitimat, glasses sets for rink scoring highest end first.

Archie Storey, Kitimat, glasses sets for rink winning most games and not in prizes.

G. K. Buchanan, 24 quarts of oil, first rink losing an extra-end game.

Peter Wong, glasses sets for best dressed rink at 'spiel. Bob Rudderham, flashlight for best sportsmen.

PRESENTATION MADE

Presentation of prizes and trophies to visiting rinks, and early winners was made prior to the Grand Challenge game.

Otto Quast presented the Superior Auto Trophy to the Slesinger rink who also received miniatures and electric drills.

The Prince George foursome also received the Grand Aggregate best sportsmen.

Spokane Blasts Vernon 3-2 To Remain Cup Contenders

By AL MARKLE

Canadian Press Staff Writer

There is one thing—if nothing else—which senior amateur and major hockey leagues have in common, spirit.

The current Savage Cup playoffs in British Columbia, between Vernon Canadians of the Okanagan Senior loop and Spokane Flyers of the Western International League, are an example of that spirit.

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saw Spokane take a narrow 1-0 margin in the first and hold Vernon to one goal in the second. Canadians turned on the heat, however, and rammed home five goals in the final frame to win 6-1. The second game was closer as Spokane moved into a 2-0 lead in the opening period, increased it to 4-2 in the second and then fell before the Vernon powerhouse in the final session to lose 7-4.

Thursday night Spokane racked up four unchallenged goals in the first period and then made the mistake of resting on the cushion in the second and Vernon came back to outpace them 3-0. Their margin of safety gone, Spokane started playing hockey again and duplicated their first-period shutout performance with three goals to win 7-3.

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Friday, March 23, 1956

Prince Rupert Daily News

Cage Trials Underway Tonight

VANCOUVER Ⓛ—A glowing future for Canadian basketball was predicted here on the eve of the Olympic trials and Canadian championships.

Such opinion was expressed by some of the top Canadian coaches and basketball officials who hailed the trials opening tonight as "a major first" for the game which so far has created only a mild stir in this country's sport annals.

Four zone champions from across Canada—Ontario, Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia—will compete in the five-day, round-robin knockout tournament.

Thursday night, the teams, coaches and officials gathered at a dinner, the largest contingent of basketball stardom ever to converge on any Canadian centre.

PLAY STARTS TONIGHT

It was the final fling of leisure for the four teams, each 12 strong.

Opening tonight's twin bill at the 4,400-seat University of B.C. gymnasium are the Manitoba Buffaloes and the Albertans, Ontario meets the B.C. Totems in the next contest. Game times are 7:30 p.m. and 9 p.m.

Saturday night the losers face each other in the opener, followed by the two winners. The team ending up with two losses is eliminated. The third round goes Monday with the undefeated team getting the bye.

On Tuesday, the second-place team meets the undefeated. If the runners-up win, there will be a sudden-death, winner-takes-all final Wednesday.

If the undefeated team remains victorious, it's all over Tuesday and the winner takes the Canadian championship as well as the right to represent Canada in the summer Olympics at Melbourne.

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The per 16-year-old Thursday outdistanced 21 competitors in the compulsory figures event. The free skating event scheduled for today will decide the champion for 1956. Skaters are marked 60 per cent on figures and 40 per cent on free skating.

Miss Crosland topped the event with a score of 574.1. In second position was Sandra Tewkebury, 14, of the Chatham Figure Skating Club, with 548.2. Judy Lawrence, 17, of the Toronto Skating Club, was half a point behind in third place with 548.3.

EIGHT HOUR EVENT

Miss Crosland, who started skating when she was eight, placed second in compulsory figures last year. She dropped lower in the standings, however, when her points in the free skating were added to the total.

The three-day skating meet gets into full swing today with five events involving 47 of the 77 skaters registered.

The large number of entries in the ladies' singles stretched the event to nearly eight hours. The five judges, Donald Chris-tie, Washington, D.C.; Dr. John Greig, Brantford; Gordon Jeffreys, London, Ont.; Grandvalle, Vancouver, and Miss Pierrette Paquin, Hull, Que., all are former figure skaters.

E. R. S. (Dick) McLaughlin of Oshawa, Ont., referee, said the number of entrants in the junior ladies' made it difficult for both competitors and judges.

"Under ideal conditions, a judge should be able to remember what a girl did in her last figure. But when she is separated by that number of skaters it's impossible."

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Remember When

By The Canadian Press

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Lineup Switch, New Goalie Pay Off As Rangers Take 4-2 Win Off Habs

By W. R. WHEATLEY

Canadian Press Staff Writer

MONTREAL Ⓛ—The beautiful dream that Montreal Canadiens had a well-nigh invincible hockey team was shattered myth today, punctured by the brilliant comeback of New York Rangers.

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breaks in sewing up the game on Prentiss' goal. With Larry Pospisil carrying down the two turned their sprint into a virtual breakaway. Prentiss took Pospisil's pass cut in fast and blazed the final goal past goalie Jacques Plante at 14:10.

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