

JAMES BAY LADS BROKE THE SPELL

BEAT VICTORIA WESTS IN BASKETBALL GAME

One of Warmest Struggles Ever Seen Here - R. G. A. Won Hockey at Vancouver.

Surrounded by an admiring throng, greeted with enthusiasm by prominent J.B.A.A. members and accorded unstinted praise on all hands, R. Peden, the clever James Bay forward, must have felt considerably elated after the first senior league basketball match on Saturday night.

Referee Jones had just time to get clear of the ball after starting the game when the excitement commenced. The opposing centre men, Baker (Victoria West) and Hughes (James Bay) showed an unfortunate inclination to transgress the regulations. They, however, were not the only ones who were rough, and consequently the game at first resembled a wrestling tournament in which five distinct couples participated.

When the teams lined up the consensus of opinion was in favour of the James Bays. Besides their unbroken record they were superior in weight. Before the match was long in progress many were surprised at the excellent stand made by the J.B.A.A. five.

The second half was even more exciting. For the first time Victoria West realized that there was a possibility of being defeated. As the pace increased the enthusiasm among the spectators was demonstrated by frequent cheers, now for the James Bays and the next minute for Victoria West. Time was approaching rapidly when the Victoria West boys scored from the field, which raised them two points in the lead.

As usual it was agreed that the contest should be continued, the first team to secure two points to be declared victors. By this time most of the crowd was standing, hats were being waved frantically and cheers of encouragement were accorded both teams. They needed no persuasion. For fifteen minutes the game continued without result, and then an event occurred which sent James Bay supporters wild with delight.

Of the James Bay team the most prominent players were R. Peden. His partner on the forward division, A. Bell, also acquitted himself creditably. At centre K. Hughes is a hard player, but a little inclined to be rough. With more training he should make a good man in that position.

Victoria West is not as strong a team as last season. Corkal has not the necessary experience to lead, and is not equal to Cessford. Other teams are the same and may be depended upon.

to make a determined run for the championship in spite of Saturday's discouragement. In fact, this morning one of the V.W.A.A. prominent players stated: "You may say that Victoria West intends to establish another record similar to that broken by the James Bay team."

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HOCKEY.

R. G. A. VICTORIOUS.

"The once mighty Vancouver hockey eleven, many times champions of B. C., have fallen sadly by the wayside, and it now seems as if any aggregation can defeat them," says the Vancouver News-Advertiser. "A few weeks ago the team was badly beaten in Victoria, and Saturday the R. G. A. of Victoria, demonstrated their superiority over Vancouver by a goal to all.

The teams lined up as follows: Vancouver—Forwards: Nilsson, Barwick, Ponsford, Bayfield, Crawford; half backs: Deane, Crickmay, Melhuish; three-quarter backs: Shallcross, Stevens; goal, Nelson. R. G. A.—Forwards, Warder (captain), Provins, Scully, Scannell, Greenwood; half backs: Clark, Nichols, DeCourcy; three-quarter backs, Nolan, Quarrie; goal, O'Brien.

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OFFICERS ELECTED.

On Friday afternoon a meeting of the Victoria intermediates was held, when Sid Winsky was elected captain and J. Gibson vice-captain. Applications for membership were received from the following: Leslie Bell, J. Canble, N. Scott, O. Rogers and T. Forsyth. All were duly elected. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

MONTHLY CONTEST.

In the recent men's monthly competition of the United Service club for January there was a keen contest for highest honors. The results follow:

Table with 4 columns: Name, Score, Hcp. Tl. B. C. Meadus 115 29 87, C. P. Connor 124 39 88, P. Elliott 109 19 83, W. H. Hughes 120 30 90, H. E. Tomlinson 123 26 97, G. A. E. Wyles 125 26 99, H. S. Wright 129 31 111, L. Blackie 148 36 112.

NEW REGULATIONS.

"Competitions under the auspices of the United Service club hereafter will be governed by the appended regulations:

- 1. Ladies' Monthly Medal Competition—25 cents entrance; 2nd Friday in the month; open to members and honorary members. 2. Men's Monthly Medal Competition—25 cents entrance; 1st Thursday in the month; open to members and honorary members.

LADIES' COMPETITION.

On Friday afternoon an interesting ladies' competition took place at the Oak Bay links. It resulted as follows: Miss Alice Bell, 95-20-75; Mrs. Langley, 78, the best scratch score of the day.

THE KIENNEL.

Collie owners and those interested in the breed are requested to communicate with Mr. Haggard, of the Direct Tea Importing Co., or Mr. McIntosh, Ross Bay. The chief object of the club will be to promote the breeding of pure collies and to do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed.

BILLIARDS.

On Saturday night two of the Drlard tournament games were played. The first

took place between F. H. Depe (scratch) and E. Pavrett (50). It was won by the former, the score being 800 points to 274. In the second, R. F. Serge (90) defeated Dr. Hayes (70) by a score of 300 points to 294. Although the first match was interesting, it was the second that roused the greatest excitement. The result was uncertain right up to the last break.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

An interesting game was played between the Capitals and Victoria-United intermediates on Saturday-afternoon at Beacon Hill. It was won by the former, the score being 2 goals to 1. The match, as the score indicates, was closely contested. The Capitals' forwards were fast and their opponents were weak in the defence. Otherwise the opposing eleven was evenly balanced.

MEMBERS OF IMPROVEMENT.

At the monthly general meeting of the Victoria District Association held Thursday evening it was decided to allow intermediate representatives a place on the executive, subject to certain restrictions. Rev. W. W. Bolton occupied the chair, and there were present delegates from the Garrison, Victoria-United, Victoria West, Capitals, Navy and Victoria intermediates.

After the usual routine business, the question of supplying medals for players of teams winning the junior, intermediate and senior league contests was discussed. Finally a resolution was passed empowering the president to purchase, them in time for presentation at the annual meeting, which takes place in February. It was also decided to allow the remaining games between the Victoria United, Victoria West and Garrison senior teams to go by default in order to permit the commencement of the Island League series with as little delay as possible.

HUGGY FOOTBALL.

Rev. Mr. Bolton submitted the following communication:

"An endeavor is being made by local football men to arrange a match between an 'all-Mainland' fifteen and a similar aggregation picked from among the clubs on Vancouver Island. C. M. Marpole, of the champions, is in charge of the project, and has on all accounts, the Capital-City players are enthusiastic over the idea and intend doing all in their power to have such a match played. The idea is a splendid one, and the match itself played, would draw a big crowd."—Vancouver News-Advertiser.

WHIST.

The regular whist tournament of the J. B. A. A. TOURNEY. The regular whist tournament of the J. B. A. A. will be resumed next Thursday evening, January 13, at 8 o'clock. All members and their friends are requested to be present. Prizes will be given each week, also a prize for the highest aggregate at the end of the season.

HANDBALL.

The forthcoming J. B. A. A. tourney, which will decide the club championship, promises to be most interesting. Besides the entries already received, Messrs. Pettigall, Hart, Mowat and Woods have signified their intention to compete.

LEADER NOTES.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.) The New Year has opened with sorrow for the residents of Ladang, for it has brought with it the news of the death of the wife of one of her most highly respected citizens, that of Mrs. H. I. Kirkland, who died at New Westminster on January 2nd. The body was brought home and buried in the Methodist church, of which she was a member and a beloved Sunday school teacher.

The meeting then adjourned. At the Y. M. C. A. rooms Friday night a meeting of the Island League was held for the purpose of drafting a schedule. As delegates from Victoria West and H. M. S. Bonaventure were not present, this business was not dealt with. It will be attended to at a meeting arranged for Tuesday evening next commencing at 8 o'clock, at the Young Men's Christian Association.

MURDERED FOR MONEY.

Butte, Mont., Jan. 5.—A Miner special from Lima, Mont., says that Tom King, a well known restaurant keeper, has been murdered in his place of business. The cash box of the restaurant was found outside the building filled with its contents. A coroner's jury has rendered a verdict of murder.

RESULTED IN DRAW.

The junior match between North Ward and Capital teams, which took place on Saturday afternoon at Beacon Hill, was well contested. It resulted in a draw, each team scoring a goal. In the first half the Capitals played up hill, but, in spite of this handicap, they succeeded in scoring. J. Peden, centre forward, sending the ball

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