

Battlin' Harry In Form Against V's

Juniors Again On Losing End In Penalty-Ridden OJHL Tilt

PENTICTON 6, VERNON 2

Ten not so tall Vernon Junior Canadians travelled to Penticton Friday night and, although doggedly accepting a 6-2 defeat, left the Junior Vees and Penticton coach Don Slater something to think about.

Just what they're thinking is only speculation but there is no doubt to whom these thoughts apply.

The Okanagan Junior "A" Hockey League match had its moments and the person responsible for most of them was Vernon defenceman Harry Wynnychuk.

Big Harry skated to the ice determined to do something about the man-power deficit becoming common to the Canucks.

TWO WAYS

There are two ways to go about such a task and except for the 24 minutes Wynnychuk spent in the sin bin, he did his job well; at least from the Vernon point of view.

He scored the first Canuck marker and figured prominently in the second as he carried it the full length of the ice, and managed a pass to Seiko Ouchi in front. Dennis Miller picked up the rebound and flicked it in.

But then there's the other way of evening up numbers. Wynnychuk received his first penalty halfway through the second frame.

The call was five minutes for a spearing violation and did not

OJHL STANDINGS

	W	L	GF	GA	Pts
Kamloops	7	1	56	20	14
Kelowna	7	2	48	34	14
Penticton	3	4	31	46	6
Vernon	0	9	27	62	0

enhance Wynnychuk in the eyes of Penticton coach Slater.

However, Wynnychuk received the penalty during a tussle with Howie McNeil who also was using his stick but received only a two-minute minor for slashing.

Two minutes later, Vernon's only other defenceman, Dave McKay, was sent off for tripping. Ouchi, Ike Colter and Reg Main held off rush after rush of Vee attackers but were sweated into the ice and Penticton poked their fourth tally past stalwart netminder Larry Pirnak.

AGAIN SHORT

Dale Sorochnik served time at 6:08 for hooking and at 7:36 the Blues were again left two short when Wynnychuk was called for tripping and nailed with an added ten minutes for his choice words to the referee.

At 12:03 Miller was sent off and Main was called for tripping a minute later. With only three defenders in front of him, the diminutive Pirnak handled shot after shot but was caught down at 13:54 for the fifth Vees' score.

With one minute left in the game and fight still left in Wynnychuk, the defenceman picked up the puck in his own end and headed for the clover. Two green blue-line patrollers moved in on each side of him and the resulting sandwich left Harry with a broken stick, a five-minute spearing penalty and a match misconduct.

Penticton ace centreman, Charlie Cuzzocrea, led the Vees to their win with four goals and one assist. Gilbert Goodman and Mike McAstocker tallied singles.

1st Period: 1, Penticton, Goodman (Hamilton); 2, Penticton, Cuzzocrea. Penalties: Stephens, Sorochnik.

2nd Period: 3, Vernon, Wynnychuk (Miller); 4, Miller (Wynnychuk, Ouchi); 5, McAstocker (Caruso, Cuzzocrea); 6, Cuzzocrea (Stles). Penalties: Smith, Nevison, Wynnychuk (5-minute major), McNeil, McKay.

3rd Period: 7, Cuzzocrea (McAstocker); 8, Cuzzocrea. Penalties: Sorochnik, Wynnychuk (10-minute misconduct), Miller, Main, Stephens, Hamilton, Wynnychuk (5-minute major plus match), Ouchi.

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Juniors May Recruit More Juveniles

Vernon Junior Canadians may have to recruit more juveniles when they face the mighty Kamloops Rockets in Okanagan Junior "A" Hockey League action Tuesday night at Civic Arena.

Odie Lowe's crew travelled to Penticton Friday night with only ten players. They carried only 12 on the previous road trip.

Coach Lowe said: "Something has to be done, I don't know what but it's a cinch we can't make a showing with only ten men."

OJHL president Bill Brown has expressed concern that Vernon's showing out of town is damaging to the league but he also is at a loss for a solution.

However, Canucks have always been strong contenders on their home ice; losing three thrillers by one goal, and are expected to show fine form Tuesday against the Rockets.

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Friday: Penticton 6, Vernon 2
Kelowna 3, Kamloops 7

Saturday: Kamloops 3, Kel-
owna 1.