

Penticton shorted

Vernon ends big winner in hockey

A recent report out of Penticton reveals that Vernon ended on the better half of the money scale during the B.C. and Estevan junior hockey series that was played in Vernon civic arena this winter.

The City of Vernon were actually the big winners as they picked up over \$4,300 as compared to the reported \$77.40 that went to the Penticton junior hockey club.

The following is the content of a story received here on the final transaction as given out by Penticton Bronco manager George Stoll.

The rewards of victory—\$77.40.

That's how much the Penticton Broncos received

this week, months after winning the B.C. junior hockey championship and beating Alberta in five games to advance to the western Canada finals.

The City of Vernon—whose junior team lost to Penticton in the semi-finals—took in more than \$4,300.

The figures were released today by Bronco management, now seeking a full accounting of the playoff income and expenses.

Point of contention is the fact that the B.C. Junior Hockey League was required as always, to post a guarantee although the two games here—won by the Broncos—drew big houses. The Edmonton Movers, Alberta Junior

League champions, were not so required although they failed to pay even the ice time expenses in Edmonton's Gardens, let alone Bronco hotel, travel and incidental expenses.

The cheque, supposed to represent the Canadian quarterfinalists' share of the western series proceeds, is just the latest argument for secession from the NHL-dominated Canadian Amateur Hockey Association, charged with

the responsibility of organizing and promoting the Memorial Cup semi-finals and the national final.

The small amount represented by the cheque may be referred to legal counsel, according to manager George Stoll.

The Broncos and other teams in the B.C. loops, meanwhile have yet to make a decision on joining the independent Canadian Hockey Association or staying with the CAHA des-

pite their many objections to CAHA operation.

"It's up to the president of our league to call a meeting—but he's not doing very much," noted Stoll.

"But before long, something has got to be done.

"We asked the CAHA for a statement on development grants, but so far we've got no answer.

He added: "The CAHA is happy to take money in—but they're slow to give it out."

Coast team here

Exhibition lacrosse set for Salmon Arm