



### Vernon's latest pride and joy

One of the most up to date toys on the market today is this 1970 model ice cleaner, shaver and resurfacer now in use at Vernon civic arena. The machine will cut the time consuming job to less than half of what it took in the past. For example, with the tractor used last year, it would take up to 20 minutes between periods of a hockey game to ready the ice for use, now slightly more than five minutes will see the job done and it keeps the ice at a constant level by shaving as it cleans and floods. In the photo, civic employee John Manjak drives the new machine off the arena floor between training sessions of the Vernon Essos and the Salt Lake City Golden Eagles.

### Pro clubs here

## Eagles topple Totems 7-3

By DOUG BULWER

Jim Power skated over to the penalty box, stepped in, turned and sat down then calmly shook his greying head, saying aloud but almost to himself, "Boy, we're sure not ready for this. We've only been on skates since Sunday and this is a little too soon."

It was 6:16 of the second period of the exhibition match between the Salt Lake City Golden Eagles and Seattle Totems with the Eagles holding a 1-0 lead and Power of the Totems had just been sent off on a two-minute interference penalty.

A minute and 16 seconds later, the Eagles scored their second power play goal and so back to the hockey wars went Power.

The scene was the Vernon Civic Arena Wednesday night where the professional Western Hockey League's newest entry, Salt Lake City Eagles, were playing host to their future rivals, the Seattle Totems, one of the long-established West Coast pro teams.

For the Eagles, who went out to win by a fair margin of 7-3, the victory was sweet because they had dropped a pair of exhibition matches to San Diego in Victoria last weekend before moving into Vernon for a short training stint and a series of matches with the Kamloops based Totems.

Over all, there was an aura of mixed feelings. For the 500 odd fans on hand, they got what they came to see, a taste of professional style hockey with veterans such as Jim Power, Billy McNeill, Chuck Holmes and Bill Dineen giving forth with their self-assured ability.



RAY KINASEVICH  
...Eagles coach

For the majority of those lineups, it was a chance to prove something both to themselves and to the hawk-eyed coaching and scouting staff, for these were rookies trying to make the big time for the first time and they were taking it all very seriously.

Back in the stands and on the sidelines there were also mysterious looking watchers, not so mysterious if a person knew who they were, because they were merely minor league managers and coaches looking for possible castoffs from the teams.

As for the game itself, there was plenty of action displayed by both teams in the first 20 minutes of play. The second period was much the same with a little more roughing and jockeying, indicating the strain of the fast pace in the first period couldn't be maintained.

By the midmark of the second stanza, Eagles led

by a 3-0 edge with Garry Mazur, Lyle Bradley and Galen Head doing the honors.

Head's goal came seven seconds after both starting goal tenders had been replaced by a pair of rookie tryouts.

Former Kamloops junior star goal tender, Wally Denault, went into the Totems lineup and was made to look bad when Galen Head popped a 20-foot shot between his legs.

By the end of the second period both teams scored three each in the mid-season with Eagles still out in front by a narrow 4-3 score.

In the final period, Eagles had little trouble in controlling most of the play as they went on to score three more unanswered markers with Galen Head and Lyle Bradley adding their second markers of the night and the remaining single going to Rollie Wilcox.

Seattle Totems' three markers came off the sticks of rookies Jack Michie, Reg Kent and Garry Kilpatrick with veterans Benny Greco, Bill Dineen, Tom McVie and Marc Bilio doing the assisting honors.

In the penalty department Totems took the major portion of the two minute minors, picking up six to three by the Eagles.

Eagles had the advantage in shots on goal as they tallied 36 compared to 24 by the Totems.

Salt Lake City leaves Vernon this afternoon for an exhibition tilt with Cranbrook Royals tonight, returning right after the game by air charter to continue their training on Vernon ice.

### Minors

## NORTH SPORTS

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### From the Tee

by Way Overpar

The men's Captains Cup Competition was held last Sunday, Sept. 21. This is an 18 hole low net tournament held each fall, when players handicaps are firmly established.

Winner—Low Net. Ray Balestrina—net 68; Runner up—low net—Ted Bobwhite and Ken Curtis—net 70 each.

Low Gross—Best score of the day was Doug Cole, 78 gross, Ray Balestrina also had a 78 but as this was a "Net" competition, he was out of the low gross race. Low gross runner up—Jack Inglis—79 gross.

Handicap Division. . . Division 1—Len Wallington and George Sowely tied net 71.

Division 2—Worren Larson, Gordon Robb and Robin Richmond, all tied at net 71. Division 3—Tony Haber net 71; Roger Henry net 76, tied with Dennis O'Keefe net 76.

This coming Sunday sees the Men's Fall Calcatta with a shotgun start slated for 10 a.m. Sept. 28. Team auction party is on Friday evening. At 9 a.m. the Auction starts. Entry

deadline closed Wednesday.

### LADIES SECTION

The entry sheet for the Bertelsen Cup match to be played against Revelstoke Oct. 4 at 11 a.m. is now up. The deadline for entry is Sept. 30.

The Calcatta which was rained out last week will be held Tuesday, Sept. 30 at 9:30 a.m. Members wishing to play should sign the entry sheet in the lounge or phone Betty Pierce at 542-4579. Draw will be made Friday morning.

Thirteen ladies traveled to Kamloops last Saturday for the Sweepstakes. Congratulations to Jean Stowell, the only player from the local club who came home with a prize.

Tentative plans are underway for a Ladies Calcatta early in October—date will be either a Saturday or Sunday. Watch for more news and the entry sheet in the ladies' lounge.

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### Tickets moving

## Junior hockey opener nears

Vernon Junior Essos continue to work out in preparation for the opening of their 48-game schedule which begins here Oct. 3 against New Westminster Royals.

Now into their second week of strenuous training, the Essos are quickly being put into top shape by a series of tough practices.

When the camp opened over a week ago, 40 prospects were on hand to try for a position on the 20-man squad but as each day goes by more and more are being dropped and by the beginning of next week the club management expects to have a nucleus of the team that it hoped will go on to the B.C. championship next Spring.

Ticket sales are still being pushed and officials are optimistic that Vernon's civic arena will be

packed throughout the season.

Advance tickets can still be purchased from a number of sources in downtown Vernon and Saturday, a booth will be set up in front of a local sporting goods shop where members

of the Vernon Junior Chamber of Commerce will act as salesmen.

Prices for the 24 home games scheduled are said to be quite reasonable and advance tickets have been moving at a good rate, said a spokesman.

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