

Essos take on

Western Canada teams in exhibition play

News from the Vernon Essos junior A hockey camp indicates both coach Odie Lowe and manager Vern Dye have a real job on their hands in making the necessary reductions in the tryout lists.

With nearly 30 boys still trying for 19 positions, and the season a matter of only two weeks away, the staff officials are finding it hard to pick out the best because of the high talent on hand this year.

At the first inter-squad game last Monday night, 34 boys were going at it full blast with several of last years roster coming through as expected with the added attraction of several new faces, amongst them several local boys of the juvenile and junior B age.

In the final tally of the game, it was the Blue team under the helm of Mr. Dye taking the victory by a narrow 7-6 difference with the Whites under

the coaching of Odie Lowe, keeping their own brand of pressure on throughout the game.

As a matter of fact, the Whites led for most of the game, leading 3-1 at the end of the first period, 4-3 at the end of the second frame only to fall back and allow the Blues to outscore them in the final stanza four goals to two.

Blues scoring was led by Wayne Murdy and Ken Reid with two each with the singles coming from Les Salo, John Price and Ernie Gare.

Scoring for the Whites was an excellent two goal effort by

local boy, Jeff Shirley, with the singles coming from Bill Vernon, Will Gagnon, Jim Lawrence and Doug Wiffen.

Starting next week a series of exhibition matches will take place with at least four Western hockey league junior teams coming, such as New Westminster Bruins, Calgary Centennials, Medicine Hat Tigers and Victoria Cougars. Other exhibition games with B.C. junior A teams are also planned before the Oct. 9 league opener here at civic arena.

The saxophone was named for its inventor, Adolph Sax.

Four point game

Score test