

Starting Tuesday . . .

# Vernon to meet Chilliwack in Semi's

Vernon Essos and Kamloops Rockets split a pair of weekend games in B.C. junior hockey to round out their share of the 60 game schedule with Vernon taking the Rockets 5-2 here at Vernon Friday night and Kamloops coming back with a 7-6 win Sunday on their ice.

Semi-final playoff action will now commence Tuesday and Wednesday here with Essos hosting fourth place finalists Chilliwack Bruins in the first two of their best of seven semi-final 'A' flight series while Penticton and Kamloops start their 'B' section semis at the same time.

Game times here are 8 p.m. both nights with Essos travelling to Chilliwack for

games three and four Friday and Saturday then returning to Vernon for game five if necessary Sunday and continuing alternating rinks each night thereafter until the series is decided.

It means both teams could be involved in seven games in eight days should the series go that far. The B.C. finals by the way must be completed by April 10.

Friday night here, Essos fell behind 2-0 in the first period of play then scored five unanswered goals in the remaining periods to take the 5-2 win. Ernie Gare paced Essos with a hat trick with singles coming from Glen Walton and John

Price, who also assisted on three other goals.

At Kamloops, Essos took a 6-4 lead into the final period but fell back to allow Kamloops a 7-6 win.

Pre-ticket sales are now available at Ernie's Esso Service for the Vernon games.

## Come from behind wins in Pup hockey

In the first game of Senior Pup hockey on Thursday the Bruins had to come from behind to defeat Bear Alignment by a 3-1 score.

Kevin McKinnon opened the scoring for Bear Alignment early in the game and the