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Orleans in that category.

The four groups trying for the Toronto franchise are Labatt Breweries, Maple Leaf Gardens, the Canadian Baseball Co. headed by Toronto construction man

Centennials bruise Bruins with 4-2 win

MERRITT, B.C. (CP) — Merritt Centennials defeated Chilliwack Bruins 4-2 Thursday night in British Columbia Junior Hockey League action.

Chilliwack led 1-0 after one period while the second period ended in a 2-2 tie in an extremely close checking game which held the play mainly in the centre ice area.

Scoring for Merritt were Perry Stenland, Paul Chadwick, Danny Rota and Pat Dupuis. Gord Brandt scored both Chilliwack goals.

Merritt outshot Chilliwack 31-21 and picked up eight of the 12 minor penalties, but Chilliwack was assessed the bulk of the major penalties.

Jim Slater of Chilliwack got a game misconduct in the second period along with a 10-minute misconduct. A third-period outbreak resulted in five-minute majors to Chilliwack's Brent Enquist and Merritt's Stan Alstad.

Attendance was 760.

Tonight Penticton travels to Langley, Chilliwack goes to Kelowna and Bellingham hosts Nanaimo.

World juniors outclass Canada

WINNIPEG (CP) — Canada will have to contend with superior play-making, skating and positional play from some opposing teams in the coming world junior hockey championships in Winnipeg, says the coach of last year's Canadian entry.


Roger Neilson, coach of the Ontario Hockey Association's Peterborough Petes, who emerged from the 1973 tournament in Leningrad with a 5-2 record, says the Canadian entry will nonetheless enjoy

an advantage over last year's team.

"Our team will have a better chance this year because the series is being played in Canada. But the European teams, particularly Russia, Sweden and Finland, skate better, pass better, and play positional play better than we do."

A Western Canada Hockey League all-star team will represent Canada this year in the championships Dec. 26-Jan. 5.

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Saturday, Dec. 7

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