The Chief scores two as Vikings dump Vees

Vernon Vikings got back on the winning track Tuesday when they dumped Penticton Vees 6-4 in B.C. Junior Hockey League action before 600 fans in Penticton.

BCJHL STANDINGS

Interior Division

	W	L	T	Pts.
Kelowna	8	1	0	16
Vernon	7	5	0	14
Merritt	7	5	0	14
Pentict	4	7	1	9

Coast Division

Nanaimo	7	4	2	16
Lang.	5	5	3	13
Maple Ridge	4	6	2	10
Chill.	2	11	0	4

Vikings went into the game on a two-game losing streak.

Winger Clyde, 'The Chief', Goodswimmer led the Vernon attack with two goals and an assist while Drew Tumbach, Steve Danshin, Peter Poeschek, and Grant Sidnick added singles.

Shawn Dineen scored twice for the Vees with singles from Lori Cail and ex-viking Jeff Boychuk.

ON TOP LINE

Goodswimmer was put on left wing on Vikings' first line along with centre Gary Huth and Sidnick when Jack Lefley was called up by Medicine Hat Tigers last weekend.

Vikings' Coach Joe Tennant told the Daily News that The Chief appears to fit in well on that unit.

Tennant said, "We needed a big, rugged winger to take Lefley's place on that line and Clyde has everything going for him."

However, Tennant may have another problem on that line. Sidnick, who has a history of back problems, had to sit out the third period with a twitch in his back.

Veteran defenceman Terry Anaka played perhaps his best game of the season picking up four assists.

Tennant said, "This was a real big win for us. If we had lost three in-a-row, the players might have got down on themselves. But, now we go into this weekend dnowing that if we win two games, we'll be in first-place."

Vernon hosts Nanaimo clippers on Friday night, and Saturday, Kelowna Buckaroos are in town.

Vikings trailed 2-1 at the end of the first period but led 4-3 after the second.

Vernon outshot the Vees 42-30.

FEW PENALTIES

Warnings against rough play by BCJHL President Bryan Couling appear to have paid off. Vikings took six of 10 minor penalties and each team was assessed a major.

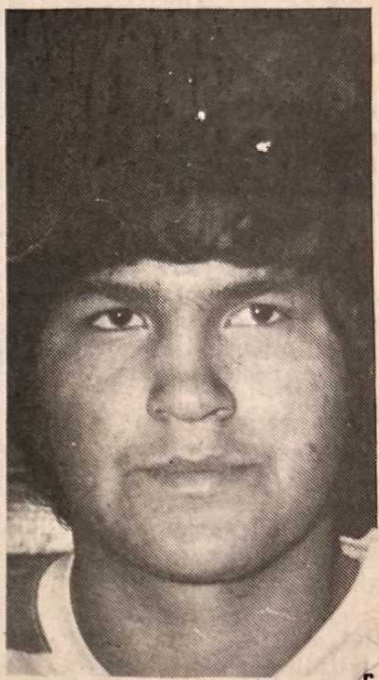
In the past two weeks, penalty totals in all BCJHL games have been down considerably.

The only league game tonight, has Maple Ridge Blazers in Chilliwack to take on the Bruins.

Prior to Tuesday's game, Tennant cut his roster to 19 by shipping out three players.

He sent wingers Randy Merritt and Robbie Jacobsen to Vikings' farm team in Grand Forks, and sent defenceman Terry Jacobsen and a player from Grand Forks to The Pass Red Devils, of the Alberta Junior A League, for future considerations.

Tennant told the Daily News it is possible Vikings may receive a player from the Red Devils in time for Friday's game.



CLYDE GOODSWIMMER
... three points

Riders assembling team for first-place battle

OTTAWA (CP) — George Brancato's collection of healthy and wounded football players has grown this week but the Ottawa Rough Riders head coach is hoping it will be enough for the battle for first place in the Eastern Football Conference Sunday between the Rough Riders and Montreal Alouettes.

Former Winnipeg Blue Bomber Al Brenner has signed a contract and the veteran safety, who needed a gentle push from Canadian Football League commissioner Jake Gaudar to report to Ottawa rather than return to Winnipeg, said Tuesday: "Just put it down to a lack of communication."

While the former CFL all-star wouldn't say who was lacking, Brancato wants him to fill the hole left by the injury to rover Rod Woodward.

Also in camp is former Rider tackle Charlie Brandon, back after unsuccessful attempts to get a job in the National Football League and

Meanwhile, linebacker Kent Carter has been placed on the 21-day injured list to allow a charley horse and pulled thigh muscles to heal. Halfback Jim Foley is still taking whirlpool treatment for a badly sprained ankle and his status for the Montreal game remains unknown.

Offensive tackle Jeff Turcotte appears to be fully recovered from a neck injury and should be ready as may defensive back Al Marcelin, who is running fairly well on a sprained ankle.