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Twins vs. Goldeyes Tonight

The blue chip games have arrived for Winnipeg Goldeyes. Tonight at 8 p.m. at Winnipeg Stadium they host Fargo-Moorhead's pennant-winning Twins in the first game of a best-of-three semi-final series leading to the Northern League's post-schedule championship.

It will be the only game of the series on the Goldeyes' home diamond, and if the Twins have their way it will be the last Northern League action of the year locally. The teams move to Fargo to conclude the series Thursday and Friday, if necessary.

Manager Mickey O'Neil and his Goldeyes have their own ideas, however, and they don't include getting knocked over by the North Dakotans. O'Neil plans to start his left-handed ace, Bill Smith, tonight. Bill won 16 games for the club after joining them well after the schedule opened.

and who was an easy winner of the league's rookie-of-the-year honors.



JIM GRANT



BILL SMITH

Rox Wallop Eau Claire In Semi-Final Opener

ST. CLOUD — A 10-1 win over the Eau Claire Braves here Tuesday night put the St. Cloud Rox out in front as the 1954 Northern League baseball playoffs got under way. The two clubs go to Eau Claire for the second game in the best-of-three first round, Wednesday.

John Fitzgerald, lanky left-hander, went all the way for the Rox—pitching a six-hitter. Only once did the Braves put together two hits and that was in the second when they scored their run. Bill Robertson beat out a ground ball for the first hit of the inning

then Ray Harbaugh drove another ground ball through the right side for the second. Fitzgerald got the next two on a pop-up and a ground ball, but then he walked Frank Cain and pitcher Vic Rehm in succession to push over the Braves' tally.

Four St. Cloud batsmen got two hits apiece in the game, but Willie Kirkland, the leading hitter on the club, was blanked for the night. Jess Rogers homered for St. Cloud in the eighth with nobody on base.

Table with columns: AB, R, H, O, A. Rows for Eau Claire players: Figueroa, Graham, Goryl, Robertson, Harbaugh, Benevides, Schiller, Cain, Rehm, Lague, Johnson, Mertlik, b-Wright.

Table with columns: AB, R, H, O, A. Rows for St. Cloud players: Wigley, Reid, Smith, Kirkland, Rogers, Fox, Barnhart, Lettieri, Fitzgerald, p.

Table with columns: AB, R, H, O, A. Rows for Totals, Eau Claire, St. Cloud, and individual player statistics for Rehm, Robertson, Lettieri, Fitzgerald, Smith, Goryl, Harbaugh, Lague, Johnson, Mertlik, and Whitaker.

Rodneys Rejoice While Weston Succumbs 13-6

By DALLIS BECK

The Great Day finally dawned for Winnipeg Rods Tuesday night at the Stadium. They beat Weston Wildcats soundly across the board and the final 13-6 tabulation was only incidental when the shouting was over.

It's been a long time since a Wildcat club was so thoroughly tamed by the Rodneys. As a result, the eager young huskies under the tutelage of George Depres and Harry Cholakis scampered into a first-place tie in the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Junior Football League. They were judged in the opener two weeks ago by Weston, but that has all been forgotten since they walloped Regina Rams 35-1 and won with plenty to spare in last night's local match.

The way the Rodneys rose to the occasion in their latest outing, they could be going a long way yet. For absolute proof, just ask them.

Rods had to give away Weston's only touchdown last night to make themselves mad enough to win. Other than a 6-1 edge enjoyed by them in the early going, the 'Cats were seldom in the picture, primarily because the Rodneys came up with a rock-ribbed line that smothered the Weston split T to a pitiful 27 yards rushing for three quarters of the game.

After that the Westons decided to try a new route and chased Len Goodine and Eddie Dudych around the ends for their only two sizeable gains of the night and the only two first downs they acquired all night without the aid of Rodney penalties.

Rods, on the other hand, got better as the game wore on, at least after they decided it foolish to make themselves look bad with bad snaps, fumbles and other such boners. They rambled 167 yards overall, amassed 15 first downs and threw in a handful of good passes that netted another 92 yards and a touchdown.

When Weston did manage to plug the holes, there was something else for which they had little chance. This happened to be Jerry Vincent, a big kid who could do the punting for anybody's pro club anytime of the week.

Rods got their points on a pair of rouges by Ray Sherratt and Ron Latourelle, and the same Latourelle, who showed more stuff than ever before in junior ball, ploughed a thickly-populated nine yards for a touchdown. Bruce Palmer was inserted at the right time during a late drive to throw a TD pass to Vincent and Mike Kachmar's convert completed the summary.

Weston picked up its only points quite handsily to climax an uninspiring and stonily-played first quarter. A bad snap on the Rodney 13-yard line gave Vincent no chance to get a third-down punt away properly. The Wildcats piled on the ball and when the bodies

had been resurrected, Bob Tjaden had only two yards to plunge for a major score. Goodine converted.

The Rods found themselves in the hole by 6-1 at that time. Sherratt had nailed Goodine early in the quarter behind the Weston line for their point. An attempted field goal by Kachmar had set up the play after Rods had blocked a Weston kick 30 yards out.

Another poor snap put Rods in trouble to open the second quarter, the Wildcats taking over 21 yards from paydirt. Kachmar, however, pulled his mates out of it by intercepting a Wildcat pass and from there the Rodneys began to show signs of things to come. They marched 30 yards but fumbled, and Vincent very nearly squeezed a Muzychka aerial on the Weston two-yard line before they finally connected.

Steve Dankewich blocked and recovered a Wildcat kick deep in Weston territory just before the half-time interval and after two futile attempts, Latourelle made his own hole and bulled eight yards for a major. When Kachmar's convert was blocked it stayed 6-6 at the half.

Vincent individually kept the 'Cats hemmed in their own zone for the entire third quarter with his towering kicks. Two of them travelled more than 50 yards in the air and the Weston safeties, led by Goodine, had to be good to run them out. Just at the turn of the third quarter, Vincent hoofed one from the Weston 45 and this time Latourelle swept in to rouse Goodine and put Rods ahead, 7-6.

Rods absorbed 60 yards in penalties in the final heat and still looked like handy winners. An on-side kick, recovered with great gusto by Latourelle on their own 54, got the Clenched-Fist started for their final touchdown. Muzychka passed 20 yards to Vincent, then ran for another first down with Ted Warga. He hit Joe Davidson with a strike to move the yardsticks to the Weston 11, but after Tom Metcalfe went for seven a 25-yard roughing penalty erased it all. But with third down and 30 yards to go, the Rodneys weren't finished.

Coaches Depres and Cholakis inserted spare quarterback Bruce Palmer and the response was a pass over the goal line to Vincent

Kachmar converted and the Wildcats were behind the eightball with time running out. They erupted in desperation for their best showing of the night when Dudyeh and Goodine sprinted around the ends of the solid Rodney line for 24 and 15-yard gains, respectively. Latourelle, however, soon put a stop to the uprising by intercepting a Frankie Juskiw pass to leave Rods in possession in mid-field at the final gun.

STRAY PASSES—Wildcat coach Gerry Mitchell made few allusions for the defeat, except that he complained that summer-school exams had kept a lot of his key men from practice in the last week. "We'll just have to get better," said Mitch, "and he was right." "That's all we needed," chortled the Rodney brain-trust, and everyone agreed to a man... The psychological triumph meant more than the points on the scoreboard for the Rods... The only thing out-dazzling the victory celebration was manager Leo Dadalt's shorts, which he was gleefully drying out after emerging from a fully-clothed shower accorded him by his boys.

L.I.N.E-U.P.S.—Flying wings: Thompson, Bieder, halves: Footlock, Sigurdson, Goodine, Toth, Ethier, Harvey, Tjaden, Dudyeh; quarters: Konuk, Juskiw, centre: McKay; guards: Rentz, Scheirich, Linhart, Plesher; tackles: Ronnyca, Hurwitz, Galis, McLennan, Wilson; ends: Bauhaus, Horwol, Zimmerman, Mazur, McLean.

Rods — Flying wings: Kachmar, Wisniuk, halves: Davidson, Dankewich, Waikshinski, Harmer, Armstrong, Warga, Kober, Latourelle; quarters: Muzychka, Palmer, Metcalfe; centres: Bielek, Stalker; guards: Fogel, Reid, Smituk, Yee, Sailer; tackles: Hoorne, Kotowich, Piper, Thibault; ends: Sherratt, Vincent, Mickoski, Kirvan.

Referee: Glen Currie; umpire: Mike Spaak; Johnny Potter, head linesman; Harry Martin.

Summary table with columns: First Quarter, Second Quarter, Third Quarter, Fourth Quarter, Yards Rushing, Passes Attempted, Passes Completed, Yards Gained Passing, Own Fumbles Recovered, Penalties in Yards.



HEAVY TRAFFIC: Ron Latourelle, Winnipeg Rods' halfback who played a standout game as Weston Wildcats suffered a 13-6 setback in Man-Sask Junior Football League play Tuesday night, found the going tough to score the Rods' first touchdown. But the shifty mail-carrier made the grade and in the above picture

has just come to rest over the Wildcat goal line. That's Weston's Don Harvey (No. 57) on top of Latourelle (61). Wildcatter Ron Ethier seems more concerned with the action in the background where Jerry Vincent and some Rodney pals are doing some brisk business with Weston defenders.

Race Meet Postponed

VANCOUVER (CP)—Horsemen voted Tuesday to call off Exhibition Park races until at least Saturday because of poor condition of the track due to recent heavy rains. They had been scheduled to reopen Thursday and continue until Sept. 20.

"A move at this time would cost us \$30,000," said president Robert Randall. Representatives of the horsemen's association will go to Victoria to interview Attorney-General Robert Bonner in an effort to have the meet switched to Lansdowne Park.

Another general meeting of the horsemen will be held Thursday. Action by the horsemen followed the second serious spill of the season at mud-pugged Exhibition Park on Monday. Apprentice jockey Charles Snellings suffered a broken arm and concussion.

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Mazza Sidelined With Broken Thumb

HAMILTON (CP)—Vince Mazza, Hamilton Tiger-Cats' all-star tackle, may be on the sidelines when Tiger-Cats meet Montreal Alouettes in a Big Four football union game here Saturday.

The 248-pound lineman suffered a broken thumb in Monday's game against Toronto Argonauts, it was learned Tuesday night. Mazza at first thought he had only twisted the thumb but x-rays showed the fracture.

Calgary Takes Lead In West Softball Final

VANCOUVER (CP)—The hustling Calgary Ashdowns took a 1-0 lead in the best-of-seven western Canada softball championships here Tuesday night by dumping Vancouver MacLeans 3-1 before some 2,000 fans.

STOCK-CAR RACING TONIGHT. TIME TRIALS 7.30, RACE TIME 8.30. BROOKLANDS SPEEDWAY. Entire Gate Receipts Donated to the Basketball — "On to Rio Fund".

Vancouver Dumps Manitoba In Opener of Lacrosse Final

VANCOUVER (CP)—A classy band of PNE Indians stormed to a 14-6 win over Manitoba All-Stars Tuesday night in the opening game of the Minto Cup Canadian junior lacrosse finals in Kerrisdale arena. The Vancouver team, weathering the rough tactics of the rangy Man-

itoba club, coasted home with plenty to spare after the All-Stars flustered badly in the second half. The game, played before 900 fans, produced 22 penalties, four of them five-minute majors for fighting.

Johnny Arondeus, Manitoba coach, was ejected at the end of the third quarter after he stormed across the floor and derided referee Bill Dickinson for a call made in the period.

ROKLA SCORE table with columns for Indians, Cummings, Wheatling, Gimple, Phillips, Harbour, Wil, Stewart, Boucher, Parry, Game, Jarvis, McGillivray, and Manitoba players.

Navy Takes Lead In Services Final

Navy jumped into a one-game lead in the inter-services fastball league final series Tuesday night, when they blanked Army, 4-0, in the opening game of the set at Fort Osborne barracks. Second game is slated for 6.30 tonight at the barracks grounds.

Johnny Ruppenthal was the Navy hero in Tuesday's victory as he pitched his squad to victory with a brilliant one-hitter, walked only one man, and also drove in two of his team's runs. Ray Gavin was the only player to get two hits in the contest. The Navy squad collected eight hits along the route.

Jarvis added another assist and a goal for a total of six points, duplicating teammate Bob Parry's six-goal performance. The 20-year-old Parry, second leading scorer during the regular season with Vancouver Rockies joined Indians for the Minto cup series.

Today In Sport

BASEBALL — Northern League — Fargo-Moorhead Twins at Winnipeg Goldeyes, Winnipeg Stadium, 8 p.m. (First game of best-of-three semi-final series).

SOFTBALL — Legion League — Fort Garry Legion, branch 90, vs. Ukrainian Legion, branch 141, Osborne Stadium, 8 p.m. (Fort Garry leads best-of-nine final series, 2-1).

Favorites Win In Jasper Golf

JASPER, Alta. (CP)—The favorites continued their winning ways Tuesday in the annual Totem Pole golf tournament. Former champion J. Edgar Green of Seattle defeated D. Travis of San Jose, Calif., 5 and 4 in the opening of the men's championship fight. F. Whaley, also of Seattle and defending the championship, he won last year, beat W. L. Lingle of Cincinnati 3 and 2.

Inter-Services League — Navy vs. Army, Fort Osborne barracks, 6.30 p.m. (Navy leads best-of-seven final, 1-0).

Senior B Women — Holy Ghost vs. Commerce, Morley and Osborne, 6.45 p.m. (Fourth game of best-of-seven series. Commerce leads 2-1).

SOCCER — Miniature League Final—Rangers vs. Maple Leafs, General Wolfe school, 6.30 p.m. (Third game of best-of-five final. Series tied 1-1).

BASEBALL TONIGHT. 8 P.M. at Winnipeg Stadium. Northern League Semi-Finals FARGO-MOORHEAD vs WINNIPEG. Balance of 3-Game Series at Fargo, N.D. *Pass List Suspended During Playoffs.