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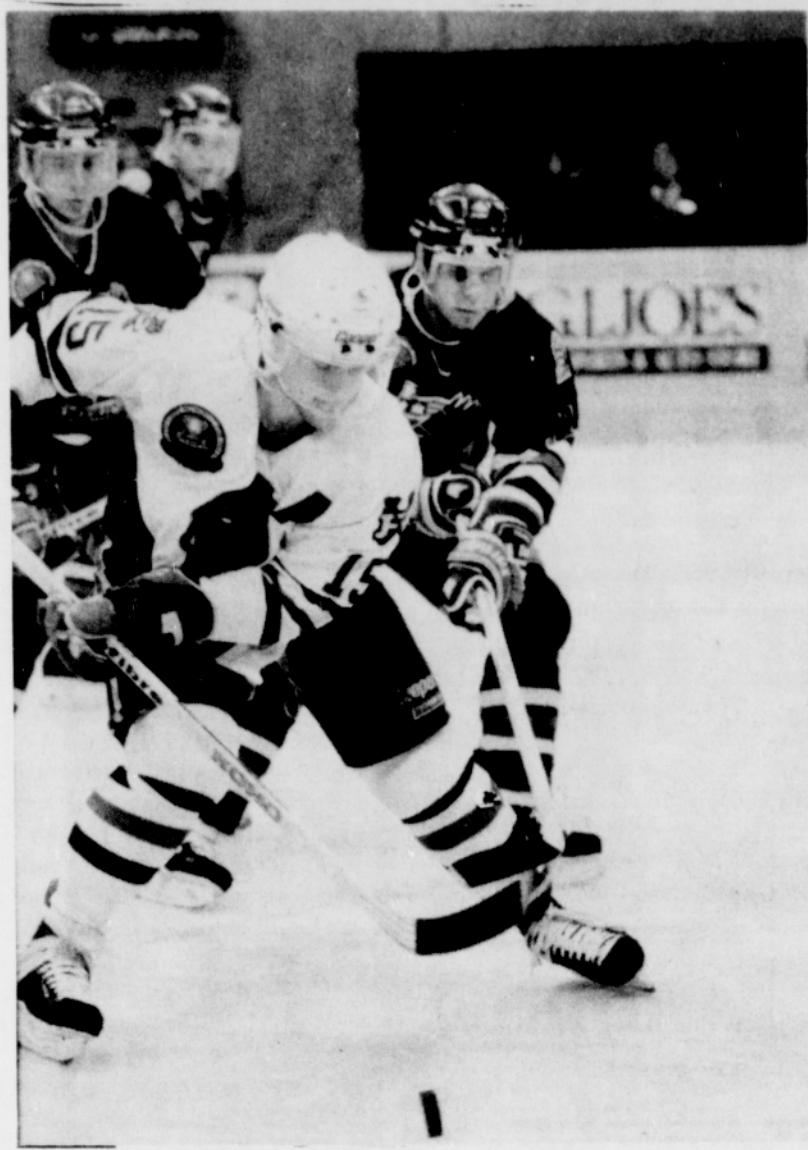


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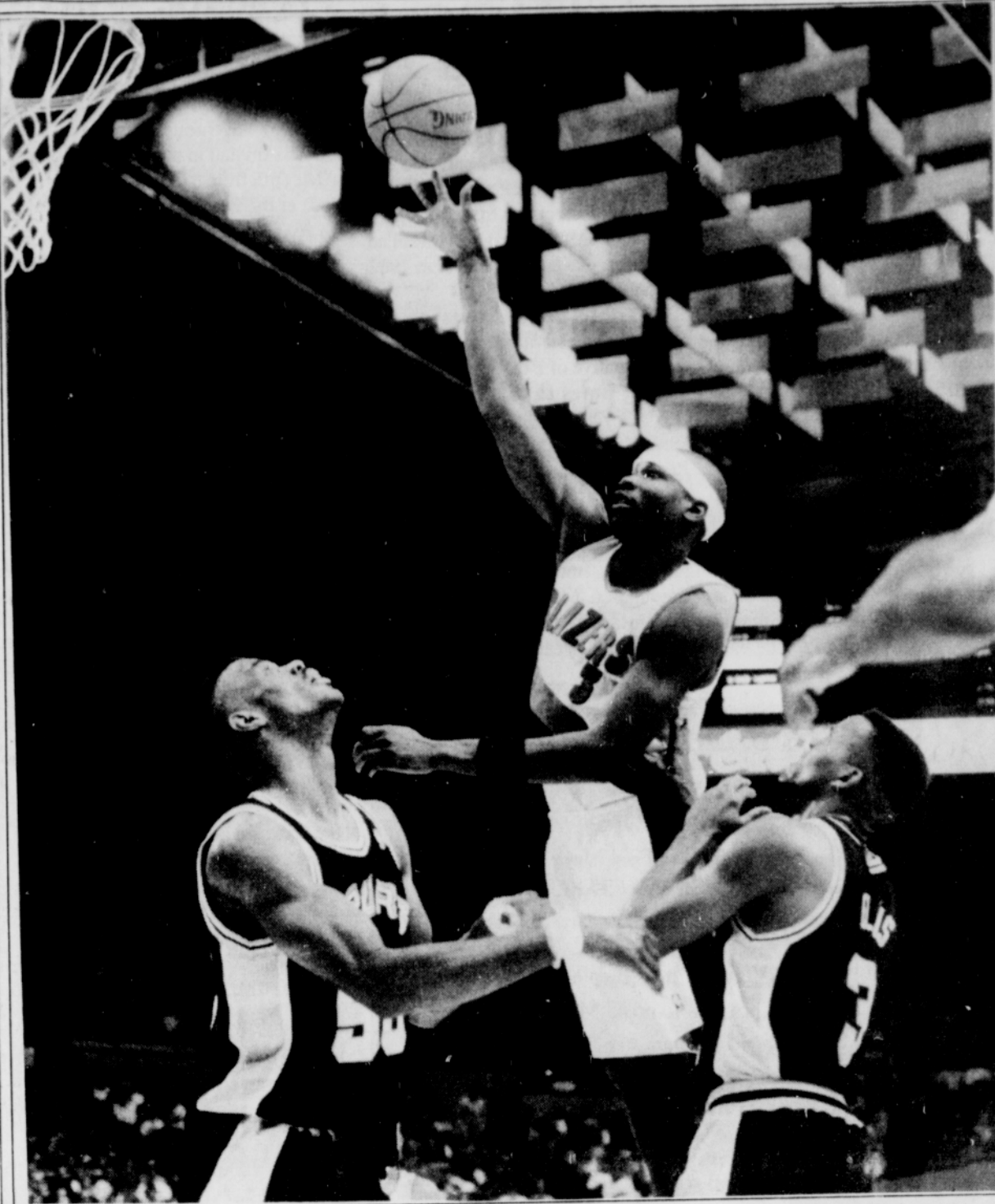
WINTER HAWKS - The Portland Winter Hawks have a 2-1 lead over the Swift Current Broncos with the Western Hockey League championship series. Hawks center Nick Vachon has scored 11 goals during the playoffs. Game four is tonight at 7:00pm at the Memorial Coliseum.

Valvano Loses Fight With Cancer

Former North Carolina State head basketball coach Jim Valvano lost his 10-month battle with bone cancer this morning, passing away at the duke medical center at about 10:45 (et). He was 47. A sign that Valvano had taken a turn for the worse came late last month when he re-entered the medical center for a 10-day stay that ended April 3rd. Weakened by the disease and chemotherapy treatment, he had been unable to attend a dinner in his honor during the weekend of the final four of the NCAA tournament, or to carry through with his plan to throw out the first pitch for the New York Yankees home opener. Valvano had been diagnosed with cancer last June, but it had gone beyond the early stages, also affecting his back and lungs. It had been reported, but never confirmed, that Valvano had an organic type of cancer that spread through the bloodstream from an unknown origin to his spine, bones and other areas. Valvano went public with his fight against the disease, but knew from the start the outlook was bleak, saying last summer that he would need a miracle. Despite undergoing painful chemotherapy sessions at hospitals in New York and then at Duke, Valvano continued to work as much as possible as an analyst for ESPN. He also made moving speeches during February appearances at the networks awards show, and in a ceremony in his honor when n-c state hosted duke. His message was just battle, fight and keep the faith. Fans responded with thousands of letters of support, and contributions to the

Jimmy V foundation, which was established by ESPN in tribute to him. Valvano compiled a 195-101 record in nine years at North Carolina State. He led the wolfpack to seven NCAA tournament appearances, and won the 1983 national championship. Valvano resigned from n-c state in 1990 after an investigation led to the schools basketball program being placed on probation, although none of the allegations of wrongdoing by Valvano were ever proven.

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THE BLAZERS AND SPURS match for game three tonight in San Antonio. The series is tied one to one. Game four will be played Friday at 6:30 in San Antonio and game five if necessary will be in Portland on Sunday.

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Minor League Baseball Pacific Coast League Standings

Standings as of May 2, 1993

| Northern Division | | | | |
|----------------------------------|----|----|------|-------|
| | W | L | PCT | GB |
| Portland Beavers (Minnesota) | 12 | 9 | .571 | — |
| Tacoma Tigers (Oakland) | 13 | 11 | .542 | 1/2 |
| Vancouver Canadians (California) | 9 | 8 | .529 | 1 |
| Edmonton Trappers (Florida) | 10 | 10 | .500 | 1 1/2 |
| Calgary Cannons (Seattle) | 8 | 14 | .364 | 4 1/2 |

| Southern Division | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----|----|------|-------|
| | W | L | PCT | GB |
| Tucson Toros (Houston) | 14 | 9 | .609 | — |
| Albuquerque Dukes (Los Angeles) | 14 | 10 | .583 | 1/2 |
| Phoenix Firebirds (San Francisco) | 13 | 11 | .542 | 1 1/2 |
| Colorado Springs Sky Sox (Colorado) | 9 | 14 | .391 | 5 |
| Las Vegas Stars (San Diego) | 8 | 14 | .364 | 5 1/2 |

Sunday's Results

Phoenix Firebirds 9, Colorado Springs Sky Sox 8
Tucson Toros 4, Albuquerque Dukes 2
Tacoma Stars 7, Las Vegas Stars 3 (1st game)
Tacoma Stars 5, Las Vegas Stars 3 (2nd game)
Vancouver Canadians 4, Calgary Cannons 1 (1st game)
Calgary Cannons 7, Vancouver Canadians 6 (2nd game)
Portland Beavers 10, Edmonton Trappers 1

Blazers Must Win One of the Two

BY JOHN PHILLIPS

The Blazers need to win one of the two games in Texas. For this to happen, Portland needed a good game from the likes of Cliff Robinson, Kevin Duckworth, and Mario Elie.

If the starters play is up to par, as they have in the first two games, the bench becomes very important for both teams. I think the Blazers have the edge in this department. Robinson has to score more and still play the good "D" that he played in game two. Duckworth has to get going early in the game, and coach Rick Adelman must stay with Kevin a little longer.

Next is Elie, and I feel the most important of all, mainly because of the defense that he gives the Blazers. He is the only Blazer that really makes San Antonio's Sean Elliott work for everything he gets. That's the key to victory for the Blazers.

The other key is Drexler. Clyde missed a total of 33 games this season because of injury. He's only missed 29 games in his nine seasons with the Blazers, 798 games including playoffs. Drexler can lead the Blazers to the next level if he stays healthy. This season, seven Blazers missed a total of 144 games due to injuries.

The best of five series was reinstated in 1984 after not having been used since 1967, and there have been 100 such series in NBA history. The team that strikes first has won 82 of the 100 series. Thirty-five of the 100 series have gone the distance, while there have been 31 sweeps. The team with homecourt advantage has won 73 series and lost 27, a .730 success rate.

All in all, look for the series to come back to the Rose City on Mother's Day. And if it does, the Blazers will win and play the winner of the L.A. Laker, Phoenix Suns series.

National Basketball Association Daily Playoff Summary

(Sunday, May 2nd)

Final score: New York 101, Indiana 91

John Starks scored 29 points and New York rallied from a 15-point, third-quarter deficit, as the Knicks downed the Indiana Pacers, 101-91, at Madison Square Garden. New York leads the best-of-five eastern conference quarterfinal series, 2-0, and can eliminate the Pacers on Tuesday in Indiana.

Final score: LA Lakers 86, Phoenix 81

Vlade Divac scored 19 points and pulled down 13 rebounds to lead the visiting Los Angeles Lakers to an 86-81 victory over the Phoenix Suns and a 2-0 lead in their best-of-five western conference quarterfinal series. The Lakers — who were the only postseason team with a sub-.500

Record — are one win away from ousting the league's number-one team during the regular season.

Final score: Chicago 117, Atlanta 102

Michael Jordan scored 29 points and the Chicago Bulls recorded their second straight lopsided victory over the Atlanta Hawks, 117-102, at Chicago stadium. The Bulls own a 2-0 lead in the best-of-five series, which will shift to Atlanta Tuesday night.

Final score: Utah 89, Seattle 85

Karl Malone scored 26 points, including 12 in the final period, as the Utah Jazz held off the host Seattle SuperSonics, 89-85, to even their first-round, best-of-five western conference playoff series at one-game apiece. John Stockton added 12 points and 12 assists for the Jazz.

National Basketball Association Playoff Matchup

Portland Trail Blazers versus San Antonio Spurs

Game three - Wednesday, May 5th — Portland at San Antonio, 9 P.M.

*Game four - Friday, May 7th — Portland at San Antonio, TBA

*Game Five - Sunday, May 9th — San Antonio at Portland, TBA

* - if necessary.

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Collins Center To Hold Golf Tournament

The Grace Collins Memorial Center will hold a golf tournament at the Colwood National Golf Club, located at 7313 N.E. Columbia Blvd., June 19, 1993

The Collins Center is a 45 year old day-care, and youth community center serving low-income, single parent families and providing youth with recreational facilities.

The founder Evelyn Collins along with her late mother Grace started the center in response to appeals by welfare recipient mothers for affordable, safe, and quality daycare. They contended they could find work, if day care was provided. Originally the daycare was housed in an apartment on Flint St. Shortly thereafter Miss Collins came into a modest inheritance of \$300.00 from an aunt, and she also was able to secure a loan from her place of employment (Meir and Frank) for \$300.00. She took the combined total of \$600.00 and bought a house on Rodney between Morris and Monroe streets. Within a year the demand for daycare was such that a non-profit board of directors was formed and a search was launched to find a larger building.

A former legion hall was found at 128 N.E. Russell. After renovating it became the present site for the Grace

Collins Memorial Center.

Throughout the history of center, Miss Collins has had a profound effect on the youth she has worked with. Some have gone on to receive advance degrees, and become executives, police officers, and school principals. Miss Collins is now 79 years old, and continues to work at the center 8 to 10 hours a day. She does so without pay.

Last August, Chuck Washington suggested to the board of directors of the Collins Center that Golf Tournament might serve as a good way to heighten the awareness of business and professionals about the work of Collins Center in the inner-city.

Mychal Thompson was approached on the matter, since he is the chair person for the golf committee. Mr. Thompson agreed to chair and has been very involved in publicizing, contributing energy and suggestions to the effort.

The Gold tournament is a scramble. Both men and women are invited to participate. Entry fees cover 18 holes, a golf cart per two people, a buffet luncheon, and an award ceremony. For further information contact: Dan Bell at 249-3750 or write him at 128 N.E. Russell Portland, OR, 97212.

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