

Gateway

Sports

Grappling Bears top Huskies and Bisons in Saskatoon meet

SASKATOON — The University of Alberta Golden Bear wrestling team started the 1969 season off right by beating the University of Saskatchewan Huskies twice and the University of Manitoba Bisons once here on the weekend.

Last year in the WCIAA championships the U of S Huskies beat the Bears to win the title. But Coach Bert Taylor was not about to let the same thing happen this year.

Friday night the Bears met the Huskies and beat them 41-8. The Bears won eight matches by pins and lost only two matches.

Serge Gauthier put up a good fight against Gord Garvie in the 150 lb. weight class but was pinned at 1:76 of the first round. Rookie Lloyd Smith of the Bears went a full nine minutes against veteran Barry Mudry of Saskatchewan but lost a 12-2 decision in the 177 pound weight class.

The remaining Bears not only beat their opponents but did so by pinning them. The quickest pin Friday was by Ron Lappage in the 190 lb. weight class. He pinned Al Sigardson in one minute 15 seconds of the first round with one of his patented hip tosses.

Bear Gord Bertie of the 118 lb. weight class had little trouble with Terry Berquist of the Huskies pinning him at 2:58 of the first round. Jeremy Kredenser of the Bears pinned Huskie Pete Fremanis in the 126 lb. weight class while in the 134 lb. weight class Dave Gibbons of the Bears pinned Tom Simpkins in the second round.

Veteran Golden Bear Chris Gould, fighting in the 142 lb. weight class, put Garne Horne of the Huskies away in the second round. In the 158 lb. weight class newcomer Bob Thayer of the Bears pinned Mal Mcleod while

167 lb. Henry Rosychuk pinned Bob Gibb of the Huskies. Heavy-weight Bob Schmidt managed to pin Cam Clark of the Huskies with only eight seconds remaining in their match.

Saturday afternoon it was the same story.

The Bears defeated both the Huskies and the U of M Bisons. The Bears scored 16 pins and one decision for 83 points, the Huskies scored 43 points while the fledgling Bisons managed to steal 18 points.

Lloyd Smith of the Bears was pinned once by Ron Allen of Saskatchewan and Jeremy Kredenser had a bad day as he was pinned twice—once by Fremanis, whom he had pinned Friday night and once by Bayliss of Manitoba.

Don Clark of the Bears handily won a 12-1 decision over Cam Clark (no relation) of the Huskies. The rest of the Bears pinned two men apiece to ride comfortably to victory.

Golden Bear Dave Gibbons showed that he truly had the Midas touch as he pinned McCradu of Saskatchewan in 14 seconds. His second opponent, Simpson of Manitoba, fell in 31 seconds. Bob Thayer of the Bears, after completely destroying Benoit of Manitoba put him out of his misery at 2:14 of the second round.

Next action for the Bears is on December 5 and 6 in Edmonton when the High School All-Stars, the Edmonton AAU and NAIT will attempt to trim the Bears' claws.

Bounceball Bruins lose first But remain at top of standings

By RON TERNOWAY

BEARS 64, MANITOBA 84

BEARS 72, WINNIPEG 67

WINNIPEG—The Bears are still number one—barely.

The competition here proved to be almost too much for Coach Barry Mitchelson and his squad as the University of Manitoba Bisons handed the Bruins their first defeat of the league schedule here Friday night with an 84-64 victory. The University of Winnipeg Wesmen almost pulled the same trick the next evening, finally bowing out to the determined Bears 72-67.

Friday night it was a case of sloppy rebounding and untimely fouls that finished the Bears.

The first quarter was undoubtedly an exhibition of some of the finest basketball of the young Western Canada Intercollegiate Basketball League season, with the teams being deadlocked at 22 points each midway through the half. Then the fouls came by the dozen and the Bears were 19 points down as the half ended.

Mitchelson's squad was forced to go to a man-to-man defence in an attempt to catch the Bisons but Manitoba countered with a strong inside offence. The teams matched each other point for point and the Bears were unable to narrow the Bisons' lead.

BEAR LEADER

Cliff Cornelius netted 22 points for the Bisons, most on short jump shots. Bob Town was good for 13 for the winners. Dick DeKlerk led the Bears with 14 points and centre Larry Nowak sunk 13.

In a game in which over 50 fouls were called, two Bears and a Bison fell to the referee's whistle. Bear starters Bob Morris and DeKlerk fouled out as did Bison Ralph Schoenfeld.

Manitoba hit on an excellent 55 per cent from the floor in the first

half but their final total was only 40 per cent. Once again Alberta shooters did not have a good night, hitting for 36 per cent.

Saturday it was the same sluggishness around the backboards that got the Bruins into trouble. The Wesmen grabbed a quick 17-4 lead before the Bears were able to regroup. Mitchelson's hoopsters fought back to narrow the deficit to 40-33 in favor of the Wesmen at the half.

The Bruins snapped out of their lethargy to take nine consecutive

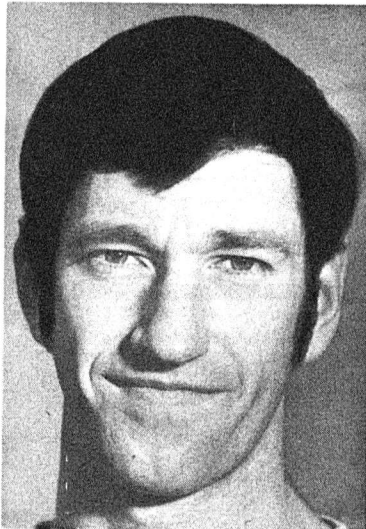
baskets but guard Dave Turner forced Rich Macey to fumble the ball out of bounds.

The throw-in came to Turner, who was fouled attempting to break into the key. He sunk his first shot, missed the bonus and Nowak dumped in the rebound to put the Bruins up by four with 30 seconds left.

Wesmen were unable to score on their next attempt and the Bears went into a stall. Swing man Bob Bain was fouled and made the shot good to wind up the scoring and the game for the Bruins.

For the second night in a row DeKlerk led the Bears with 24 points. Nowak was in double figures for his sixth consecutive game with 14. Guard Barry King almost took the Bears on single-handed, scoring 30 points for the Wesmen. Rich Macey was the only other Winnipegger in double figures with ten.

The weekend action leaves the Bears ahead of everyone with ten points and a 5-1 record. UBC is tied with the Bruins with four wins and no losses. The games wrapped up league action for the Green and Gold until after Christmas. They travel to Montana for exhibition games with Great Falls this weekend and the Great Fallers return the favor here January 2 and 3. The Bruins re-open their league games with a road trip to British Columbia on January 8-9.



Dick DeKlerk

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	W	L	Pct.	GBL.
British Columbia	4	0	1.000	—
Alberta	5	1	.833	—
Manitoba	3	1	.750	1
Victoria	2	2	.500	2
Lethbridge	2	3	.400	2½
Saskatchewan	2	3	.400	2½
Calgary	1	2	.333	2½
Winnipeg	1	3	.250	3
Regina	0	5	.000	4½

points and a 42-40 lead. The score bounced back and forth with the Wesmen up by four with five minutes to go. Again the Bears came back and held a slim one point margin, 68-67, with a scant 50 seconds left.

The Wesmen hustled upcourt, intent on scoring the go-ahead

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