Hoop Bears: Reserves shine in supporting role

A jubilant Bob Bain was sitting in the dressing room clutching a scrap of mesh retrieved by his players in one hand and a bottle of champagne in the other.

Golden Bears had just defeated Phil Tollestrup and the Lethbridge Pronghorns 83-74 for the Canada West University Athletic Association title.

"Everybody contributed to that victory," grinned the coach, "And that includes everybody

who sat on the bench."

This would seem a bit unusual since Bain almost exclusively played his starting five. Yet the reserve's importance to the team isn't always measured by what they can accomplish on court.

It is most important that they work hard in practice. It's good for team morale and a coach can guage how a starter will perform in an actual game. Maybe Tommy or Terry

wouldn't be as good if they didn't have someone pushing them in practice.'

Playing second string for Bears has been frustrating experience as many players know they could play regularly for other teams in the conference.

They put in as much time into basketball as those who play regularly while having to maintain their marks in school,

"It takes a lot of guts to sit on the bench," related Mike Frisby, who only collects splinters on arbiters' orders. only wish that Dave Holland would guit cheering for the referees.

Holland and swingman Bain MacMillan have seen more action than the other second-stringers.

At the start, Holland picked up numerous fouls because he had trouble controlling his body. (at 205 pounds, he had gained some 50 pounds within the last two years.) And this was unfortunate, since he usually got into the game when Frisby had fouled out.

But the six-foot-five low-post man has improved to the point of becoming one of the best rebounders in the

'Dave may get a chance to play in a double-post system next year," said Bain.

MacMillan returned to Bears this season after a three-year absence. He began his collegiate basketball days with Calgary Dinosaurs.

"MacMillan is the best sixth man in Canada," said Frisby. "He can pick up a team with

"I think the guys have a quiet confidence in the way he plays," said Bain. "Bainer's a plays," said Bain. very determined player. He wants to play so much I don't blame him for getting mad when

he isn't in the game."
"You've got to keep your composure," said MacMillan. On

the bench, you evaluate the player who is ahead of you to see if they're making mistakes. When you go into the game, you want to effect some changes.

"I like to go in with a bang, throw in a couple of quick baskets or make a steal or a rebound. It makes you feel good. But it's pretty tough to sit through a whole first half. You lose your psyche by the second

Obviously, I'd like to play more. To better yourself, you have to want to play more."

Leigh Goldie has the unenviable fate of playing behind super-rookie Steve Panteluk, But the six-foot two native of Waterloo fits right into Bain's offensive system which stresses good rebounding from forwards.

And Goldie has made it to the national finals before with Waterloo Lutheran in 1970-71.

Probably the most disappointed Bear this season has been Brian Hart, a former high school star who has played a subordinate role on the squad.

"Brian played first string a lot last year. I feel badly that he has lost his desire," revealed Bain. "Brian can shake up a game; he can get the tough

points."

"He's more a freelance playing in a strict, patterned offence," said another Bear reserve, Doug Nicholls.

Nicholls, along with Holland, Art Uhl and Allan Price have been promoted to the big squad from last year's junior varsity team, which was tutored by Bain.

Nicholls has shown he has the leadership necessary to play the playmaking- guard position manned by Terry Valeriote. And he has also improved his outside shooting.

"I had my chance at the beginning of the season," said

Nicholls, "but Terry has done such a good job." Regardless, when your on the bench you've got to pretend that you're in the game. If you're not ready, you're doomed."

Uhl and Price are relegated to 11th and 12th man roles on the squad, a difficult position in the considering the 'ten's company, 12's a crowd' policy on road trips.

"It's kind of hard when you play against them day after day then when you leave say good-bye, its been nice practising with you," states

Frisby.
"Uhl and Price need time to They mature," commented Bain. They probably practice harder than

anyone,"
"But the thing to remember is that everybody's got individual pride, whether they're on the bench or out on the court. When you see the 11th and 12th man playing hard, if you're a first-stringer, you'll work harder, too." bt

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advantage," commented Alexander. As it turned out, Martin got only 15 points.

The second half of Friday's game really told the story of Pandas' efforts, "If we could only play like that in all our games, we would really have something going for us," sighes Broderick.

Kathy Moore, Mitchell and Martin were consistently strong in their efforts, never once lagging. Moore added 12 points in the half for a total of 16.

Voth tallied 27.

This weekend, Pandas wind up their schedule against the University of British Columbia Thunderettes in Varsity Gym, 6:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Volley gals number two

The University of Alberta Panda Volleyball squad placed second to the University of British Columbia during the final half of the Canada West University Athletic Association Volleyball Championships held over the past weekend in Lethbridge.

Coach Sue Neill and her troopers were guite thrilled with their performance. "I think the girls were really pleased and happy. All of a sudden, everyone realized what they were supposed to be doing and everything just clicked," offered

For Susie Seaborn, "it was the first time we did not collapse. Lindy (Van Alstine) was executing beautiful baby sets and everyone played really

On Friday, Pandas defeated the University of Saskatoon in two out of three games. It was the first time this season that Pandas had won a pair from the U of S crew.

However, they dropped their next two series - 15-3 and 16-14 to UBC, and bombed out to the University of Calgary.

"The Calgary game was really bad. The girls were just

not moving; they were not picking up Calgary's blocks and that is what killed us," says

Saturday's round-robin tournament was won by U.B.C. followed by Calgary, Alberta and Victoria. Pandas whipped Lethbridge quite handily, then took Victoria which was another first. This allowed them to be pitched against Calgary while British Columbia tangled with Victoria in order to decide the finals.

Pandas were really up for the Calgary game, then played extremely well in the final against U.B.C.

U.B.C. took Alberta 15-10 and 15-11.

The over-all results from both halves of the C.W.U.A.A. Championships placed U.B.C. first, followed by Victoria, Alberta, Saskatoon, Calgary and Lethbridge.

Now Pandas prepare for the Alberta Open on March 10. "If we play really well, we may qualify as the Alberta representatives for the Canadian Open," said Seaborn.

This weekend, the Junior Clubs journey to Medicine Hat for a junior volleyball tournament.

SUB ACTIVITIES FOR YOU

STUDENT CINEMA - 2nd floor

- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23 Student Cinema presents THE GO BETWEEN with Julie Christie. Show times 6:30 and 9:00 p.m. Tickets 50 cents in advance at Info Desk, \$1.00 at the door.

- SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25 SOMETIMES A GREAT NOTION is showing with Paul Newman. Two shows - 6:30 and 9:00 p.m. Tickets 50 cents in advance at Info Desk, \$1.00 at the door.

ROOM AT THE TOP - 7th floor

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, Albany 2 features HOT COTTAGE. Soup Kitchen opens at 8:00 entertainment at 9:00. Tickets 75 cents in advance at Info Desk or \$1.00 at the door.

- FRIDAY and SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 and 23 Dave Wright will be playing at the Soup Kitchen, starting at 9:00 p.m. Tickets 75 cents in advance, \$1.00 at the door.

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- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

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- Good selection of crafts available

GENERAL ELECTION

The Graduate Students' Association will be conducting elections for the following positions. All graduate students are eligible.

A) G.S.A. Positions

President

Vice-President, External

Vice-President, Internal

Secretary

Treasurer

G.S.A. delegate to General Faculties Council Editor of G.S.A. Newsletter

G.S.A. delegate to Senate Plus: Assistant Editor of G.S.A. Newsletter and 4 G.S.A. delegates to Graduate Faculty Council

Elections at March G.S.A. Council meeting, March 13, 1973 at 7:30 p.m. in Tory 14-6. Nominations from the floor or by calling 1175 (G.S.A. office)

B) General Faculties Council (G.F.C.) positions:

One representative from the following areas:

Medicine and Nursing Arts

Agriculture Engineering

Business Administration and Commerce

Pharmacy

Dentistry and Law Education and Library Science

Physical Education

Science

Candidate must hand in a completed nomination form (available after March 1st from G.S.A. office, room 233, Assiniboia Hall) to that office by Friday, March 16, 1973 at 4:00 p.m. Election will be held on Friday, March 23, 1973.

C) Graduate Faculty Council positions:

In addition to the G.S.A. representatives, the following departments may elect one representative:

English Geography **Physics**

Psychology

Zoology

Business Administration and Commerce Educational Administration

Chemistry

Educational Psychology Computing Science