

Gateway

Sports

Hoop Bears garner first win; split series with Dinosaurs

The best the Golden Bears could do was a split in games with the University of Calgary Dinosaurs. Friday night, the Bears took a narrow 72-69 victory, but lost Saturday 56-51.

Friday night, the Dinosaurs, using the fast break and effective outside shooting by rookies Wes Balderson and Barrie Bennett, jumped to a 19-14 lead. However, the Bears kept working on Calgary's man-to-man defense and tied the game 33-33 at half-time.

The Dinosaurs took command early in the second half and with 5:40 remaining, led 60-55. Ken Turnball started the Bear's comeback with a fine three point play. Bruce Blumell and Dick Krenz gave the Bears a 68-68 tie with 1:07 remaining. Al Kettles of the Dinosaurs was fouled. He missed his first free throw, but hit the second. The Dinosaurs led 69-68.

FINEST MINUTE

Then Warren Champion played his finest minute of basketball this season. With 55 seconds to go, he was fouled. Under great pressure, he made both points. The Dinosaurs came back to set up Balderson, but the sharpshooter missed. Kettles grabbed the rebound, but Champion blocked his short jump shot. Blumell grabbed the loose ball and flipped it to Champion.

With 15 seconds remaining, Champion dribbled the ball down-court, wasted time, and with only four seconds remaining, calmly threw the ball to an unguarded Krenz under the basket for a 72-69 victory.

Champion scored 22 of the Bears'

points, Krenz, playing his finest game this season, added 17. Blumell hit for another 15.

Bennett and Balderson scored 22 and 16 points respectively. Kettles added 17, many on short jump shots.

TO PERFECTION

Saturday night, Kettles worked on the middle of the Bears' zone defense to perfection. When given the ball he either took the short jump shot or simply outmuscled the taller Bear defenders for an easy layup. He also controlled both offensive and defensive boards.

Calgary gained a 25-22 half-time lead and were ahead 49-46 when Kettles left the game with five fouls with 4:40 remaining. Seconds later, Jim Christie added two and Calgary went into a scoring freeze.

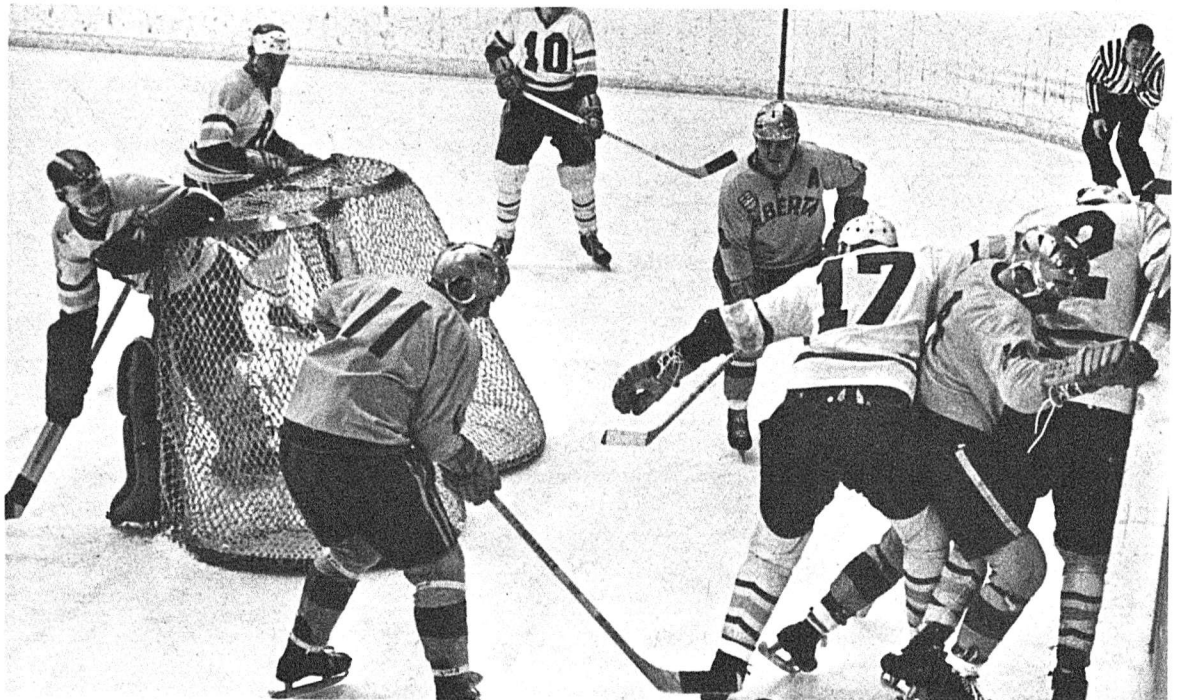
The Bears broke the freeze, but several players missed easy six and eight foot jump shots in the final three minutes. The Dinosaurs took advantage of their scoring chances and won 56-51.

SIMILAR FATE

The Junior Bearcats suffered a similar fate. Friday, Bob Morris with 20 points, Brian Rakoz with 18 and Marcel with 15, led the Bearcats to an easy 78-49 victory over the Calgary Colts.

Saturday, led by Gord Ellefson with 18 and Ted Wallace with 17, the Colts overcame a 36-30 half-time deficit to win 75-67. Morris with 22 and Rakoz with 12 again led the Bearcats.

This weekend, the Golden Bears play the Calgary Cascades in the main gym in Alberta Senior League action.



TYING UP THE BEARS' BIG GUNS

... Wiste, Belcourt and Gibson battle Dinos

—Neil Driscoll photo

Hockey Bears hard-pressed to win; victories move them into league lead

As anticipated, the Bears relegated the Dinosaurs to their reserved location in the new Provincial Archives, but the battle was far from easy.

In two last minute victories, the Golden Bears hockey squad defeated the University of Calgary Dinosaurs 3-1 Friday and 2-1 Saturday.

The Dinosaurs, former patsies of the league, put up strong battles and could have quite easily escaped with a victory.

Friday, before 1,500 enthusiastic fans, the Bears quickly got off on the right track.

At 8:07 of the first period, Merose Stelmaschuk deflected Jim Seutter's blast from the point past Don Vosburgh in the Dinie's cage. Vosburgh had previously denied the Bears on several good scoring opportunities.

Early in the second period Skip Holmes tied the contest by batting in Dave Smith's goal mouth pass. The Bears came back battling hard but couldn't beat Vosburgh's solid netminding.

Wayne Wiste scored what proved to be the winner at 4:56 of the final stanza. It was Jim Seutter again, along with Sam Belcourt who set up the goal.

In a frenzied final few minutes of action, Belcourt finally pumped home the insurance marker at 18:56.

The rough contest threatened to get out of hand several times. Calgary took six of nine penalties and were outshot 29-22.

Saturday's return engagement was a "nerve racker" for the 1,000 Bear supporters in attendance.

Calgary had grabbed a 1-0 lead in the first period and held it until half-way through the second. Neil Colbert scored the goal with a quick backhand shot from just in front of the Bear net.

TIED IT

Ron Cebryk tied things up at 9:07 of the second period when he teamed up successfully with Belcourt and Wiste to score a pretty goal. Calgary had just gotten back to full strength and the Bear power play unit was still on the ice.

Calgary began pressing the Bears in the third period in an effort to break the tie.

Things looked grim for the Edmonton squad at 12:57 of the third when Dave Couves took a five

minute high-sticking penalty. Couves' high stick provided a premature museum display comprised of four teeth belonging to Dinie captain and sparkplug, Dave Smith.

However, the Bears, who seem to play best when they're a man short, killed the penalty with no problems. It was only after the penalty expired that Calgary had several good scoring opportunities.

LET ONE FLY

With less than a minute separating the clubs from overtime, Ron Cebryk got the puck back to Jerry Braunberger at the Calgary line. The "Bomber" let fly with one of his bullet drives in the direction of the Dinie net.

Merose Stelmaschuk, in typical fashion, managed to deflect the drive past the startled Vosburgh into the Calgary goal.

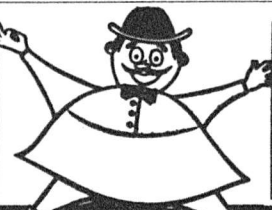
Calgary vainly tried to pull their goaltender in the short time remaining but the Bears kept them hemmed in their own end.

Bears outshot the Dinies 23-21 and took seven of the sixteen penalties.

The twin victories moved the Bears to the top of the WCIAA standings. They have four wins in six games.

Next home action for the Bears will be an exhibition encounter Friday evening against the Red Deer Imperials. On Sunday the Bears will play the Edmonton Oil Kings at the Edmonton Gardens.

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