

Saints paint bears

By Bill Winship

In a spine-tingling exhibition basketball game Saturday evening the powerful Carrol College Saints snatched a 83-80 overtime victory from a determined Golden Bear squad. It followed the 79-55 shellacking the Saints handed the Bears the previous night.

Friday, the Bears got off to a fast start to assume an early lead but the steady, sharp-shooting play of the American invaders soon wore down the Bears and at the end of the first half the Saints had accumulated a 41-30 lead. The second half saw the Saints easily stretch their margin to coast to the 79-55 decision.

Top man for the classy Saints was Ron Darcy with 16 points, followed by Pat McKittrick and Bob Drew with 11 each.

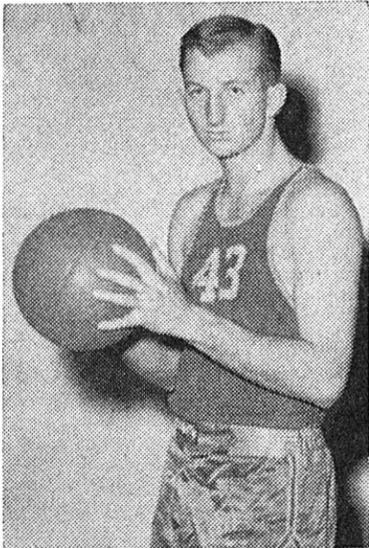
High scorer for the Bears was Harry Beleshko, who played a strong game before fouling out. Beleshko netted 17 points, one of the field goals off an errant pass. Maury Van Vliet followed Beleshko closely with 16 points

With four seconds remaining Garry Smith received his second disqualifying foul in two nights and ended the Bear hopes for an upset victory.

The sensational Ron Darcy once again led his teammates, netting 29 points in a stellar performance. Center Roger Corcoran was good for 16 while Dean Morigeau had 14.

HANDLE PRESSURE

Garry Smith led the Bear attack with 23 points, however, the real star of the game was Jack Hicken



JACK HICKEN

who accounted for 22 points, 14 in the first half. Harry Beleshko had another good game in collecting 13 points.

Bears' game Saturday was a far cry from their efforts the previous night when they had opened fast, then faded terribly to finish a badly beaten team. The Bears showed Saturday that they could handle the pressure and tough going against stiff competition and in the process provided the fans with one of the best games in a couple of seasons.

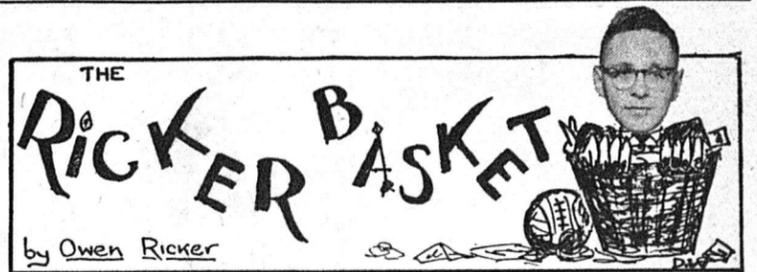
Basketball tonight

The Northern Montana College Lights have once again returned to haunt the basketball Bears. The Bears will face the Lights tonight at 8:30 p.m. and Saturday at 2:30 p.m. in PEB gym in the annual renewal of their basketball feud.

The Lights, who hail from Havre, Montana, have always given the Bears trouble and this year promises to be no exception. Last season, the Bears travelled to Montana and were badly manhandled in dropping two games, 70-54 and 64-38. However, the Bears hosted the Lights the following week and managed a 54-50 triumph, after dropping the first game 56-51.

The Bears, playing their second doubleheader against American competition, are in high spirits following their very impressive showing against the Carrol College Saints. Gord Valgardson, who played a standout game in last Saturday's overtime loss, is the only doubtful starter, having injured his leg in the overtime period. The Bears are out to prove that last Saturday's game was no fluke.

Tonight's game should indicate whether the Bears were playing over their heads against the Saints, or are indeed, a much improved club.



The students have spoken! Manitoba's Students' Council has finally OK'd a return to football. All that remains is approval by the U of M Board of Governors.

This should be an automatic move, but it must be remembered that it was administration representatives who voted against the matter when it came before the Athletic Directorate. We would hope that this opposition does not extend to the Board of Governors or that that body would dare to oppose the voice of the students. We would like to have Manitoba with us come next fall.

Prospects look good for a six-team conference in the near future with the addition of UAC and either U of S at Regina or Victoria College.

STUDENTS PREPARE

That the students are preparing for this upsurge in athletic activity was evidenced by a meeting of Men's Athletics Presidents from Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba in Edmonton over the weekend. The three representatives hope to establish contact with the universities not represented in an effort to provide a valuable exchange of information and a forum for discussion of student problems in the field of athletics.

Now that the Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union has been founded, composed exclusively of staff delegates, it is more necessary than ever that the student voice be strong.

SCRAPS FROM THE BASKET

Once again seven-man basketball has returned to Alberta's campus. Saturday night there were five players in gold, five in blue and two in black and white, who periodically switched from one team to the other.

Both coaches were dissatisfied with the officiating and the fans echoed this displeasure. We wonder why, in such a basketball hotbed as Edmonton, we

are required year after year to submit to inferior refereeing. A few "goofs" may be justifiable —after all, referees are only human; but the number of poor calls Saturday cannot be defended on the basis of human error.

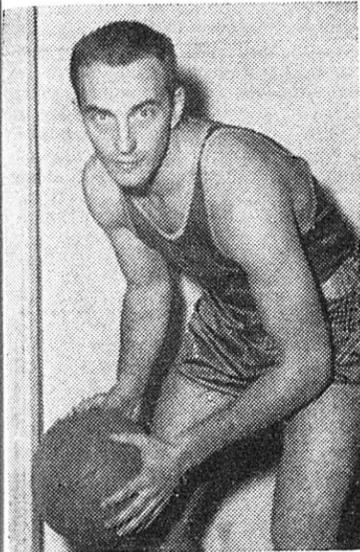
Speaking of basketball, the performance of Harry Beleshko was particularly impressive in the weekend set. He was one of the leading scorers both nights and showed real hustle and drive. The competition he has been getting from Jeff Hake-man has apparently spurred him to new heights.

The football rule makers will soon be meeting and once again the move to Americanize our game is afoot. This time suggestions have been made to add a down and drop a player. Both the three downs and the twelve players in this corner's opinion have helped to make Canadian football the exciting spectator sport it is today. Canadians, arise! Let us retain what may be our last instance of independence from our neighbors to the south.

And who ever heard of Leo LeClerc?

President of men's athletics Chumir had a big weekend. He celebrated his 21st birthday not only by organizing the WCSAA (see front page) but by potting three goals in leading his intramural hockey team to victory.

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HARRY BELESHKO

and Jack Hicken accounted for 13.

Saturday the Bears came out with fire in their eyes and once again assumed an early lead. The lead see-sawed back and forth between the teams with the Bears emerging with a hard-fought 34-33 half-time margin. The second half saw the Bears hold the pressing Saints to a small lead, making a concerted effort to tie the game up in the final moments of regulation time.

76-76 TIE

As they headed into the five minutes overtime session, the game was tied 76-76. The action was fast and furious as the Bears opened a four point spread in the opening minutes, however, over-anxiety cost them the lead in the final minute. The Saints won the game on four foul shots in the last 11 seconds.

During the overtime excitement even the timer felt the tenseness as he let the clock run 7 seconds too long, causing much consternation and confusion.

Yak yak yak

TORONTO (CUP)—The World's Telephone Talkathon Record has been captured by University College at the University of Toronto. The title was claimed by the UC students at 12:30 a.m. Tuesday, November 28, at which time five days had been spent in tying up telephones.

The telephone talkathon continued until Thursday morning so that a full week could be claimed as the new record.

Participating in the fantastic feat were the men and women of UC's McCaul and Mullock Houses. The men at first feared a lack of topics and installed copies of Canadian Poetry, How to Build a Better Vocabulary, and the complete works of Ann Landers composed of such classics as How to be Well Liked Before You Marry—Is It Sex or Love? and Help for the Alcoholic in their booth.

These were soon discarded however, as marathon talkers moved into high gear.

Cut cut cut

Cost-cutting measures for university were discussed at recent meetings of the provincial committee studying higher education.

Junior colleges which would give the first year of arts and science and education, and possible use of the semester system would aid in handling anticipated heavy enrolment.

The number of junior colleges—there now is one at Lethbridge and one at Camrose—could be increased to five in the next few years, with one at Grande Prairie, one at Cardston and one established by the separate school board.

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