

Golden Bears split basketball doubleheader with Huskies

By LAWRENCE HIGNELL

The University of Saskatchewan Huskies split with the University of Alberta Golden Bears by outlasting the Bears 63-59 on Friday night and losing 88-74 on Saturday.

Friday's loss, the first for the Bears, dropped them into second place behind the University of Alberta Calgary Dinosaurs, who hold a 4-0 win-loss record. The win was the first for the Huskies.

The Huskies jumped to an early lead and never looked back as the Bears fought to keep up with their opponents.

The Huskies led 33-27 at the half and displayed expert rebounding ability as they kept the Bears from converting their long shots into easy baskets.

With eight minutes left to play and trailing 52-37, the Bears used a full-court press to try to catch their opponents. But the Huskies smelled their first win of the year and were not about to lose the game.

The Huskies' 6'8" centre, Bill

Harris, starred as he controlled the boards and scored 12 points.

Dale Galen and Doug Hester, guards for the Huskies, hooped 14 and 12 points respectively.

Bears' lone star, Murray Shapiro, muscled his way to 18 points and kept the Bears' hopes alive during the game. Bruce Blumell, guard, hooped thirteen points while Ed Blott, 6'6" centre, tipped in nine.

Saturday was a different matter as the Bears proved their all-star ability and avenged their loss with an 88-74 win.

The first half was very close as each team traded baskets.

Bruce Blumell, 6'0" guard for the Bears, was the key player in the half and hooped 15 points on fine fastbreaks and drives.

The score at half time was 42-41 for the Bears and the game looked like a repeat performance of the previous night.

However, the second half was completely one-sided as the Bears took control and never looked back.

Barry Mitchelson, playing his second game with the Bears this season, rebounded his way to 20

points to add to his four points from the first half.

The Bears looked much smoother in the second game as they shot a 48 per cent average from the field and controlled the offensive boards effectively.

Darwin Semotiuk, who scored two points in the first game, found the range with his smooth jump-shot and potted 18 points.

The Huskies lost the use of their centre at 10:07 of the second half with five fouls and they failed to click after that.

Bill Hook and Bill Ruschinsky led the Huskies with 19 points each and displayed excellent 20 and 25 foot jump-shots to keep the Bears in line during the first half.

The Bears meet the U of A Calgary Dinosaurs, league leaders, next weekend in the main gym and it should prove to be the battle of the season.

With the Bears displaying the kind of basketball they did in the second half of the Saturday game, they will be tough opponents for the undefeated Dinos.

Bears split with Bisons consolidating WCIAA lead

By RICHARD VIVONE

WINNIPEG—Lady Luck and a goaltender saw plenty of action last weekend in Winnipeg.

The University of Alberta Golden Bears and the Bisons from Manitoba split a weekend series as the visitors won the opener 5-3 and dropped the nightcap 3-2.

The split gives the Bears seven wins in eight starts. A single win over Saskatchewan will bring the WCIAA title back to Edmonton.

A 36-below temperature greeted the Bears as they skated onto the ice at antiquated Bison Gardens Friday evening.

The Bears carried the play to the Bisons throughout the opening period. Wilf Martin opened the scoring midway through the stanza with a classic goal.

The Bear star broke over the line, faked a shot and when the defence-man dropped to his knees, Martin waltzed around him and beat Gabriel cleanly.

One minute later, Steve Kozicki finished off a play with Martin and Darrell LeBlanc to put the Bears two goals up. At this point it look-

ed like the Bears were going to break the contest wide-open.

But then Jim Irving put the Bisons back in the game with a breakaway goal.

Early in the second period, Austin Martin missed on a point blank shot. Then Bisons skated back down the ice and Gord Lindall tied the score with a waist high drive.

Then Lady Luck donned her Manitoba sweater as Kozicki hit the post and Martin missed an open net.

But the Bears were not to be denied. High-scoring Brian Harper pulled the trigger and Austin Smith followed two minutes later.

The Bisons sagged under the pressure but Gabriel foiled the Bears until Mike McKenzie got one back early in the final session.

Big George Butterworth, angered by Kozicki's persistent fore-checking, got his stick up and carved the Bear player across the forehead drawing blood.

The effort was good for a major penalty which killed the Bisons' hopes of pulling the game out of the fire.

Darrell LeBlanc hit paydirt with the insurance marker while Butterworth watched.

The Bears dominated play for all periods but only some had shooting and good fortune kept the score within reason.

Saturday was a nightmare for Alberta.

The Bears swarmed around the Bison net like hornets but to no avail.

Gabriel performed like a jack rabbit and was flawless until Kozicki took a pass from Martin and flashed the light.

The entire period was all Bears. They skated Manitoba into the ice, outbumped them but managed only a single tally.

Dame Fortune went to work again to lift the discouraged hometowners.

The Bisons found the Bear rear-guard impregnable. Jim Irving skated over centre ice and lofted a high shot over the low hanging lights.

Neither Hugh Waddle nor anyone else in the rink saw the puck until it dropped into the net.

The fluke lifted the Bisons and demoralized our club momentarily. Harper put the club pack on its feet with a goal minutes later. Then Gabriel slammed the door.

That man Irving did it again early in the final period. He took advantage of a Bear error to knot the score at 2-2.

From here on the Bears did everything but score. They dived on the Bison net like Kamikaze planes but couldn't sink the Bison.

The Bears hit so many posts the rink sounded like the bells at Notre Dame. And when they missed the post, Gabriel was in the way.

The Manitobans rallied late in the period as Gord Lindall took a pass from Tom Trosky and drilled a high shot home.

The Bears pulled Waddle with 90 seconds remaining but failed to mount an attack.

Coach Clare Drake was disappointed in the outcome.

"We didn't play our best games," remarked the Bear boss, "because on most nights we're three goals better than they are."

"We missed at least four goals in the first period and no telling how many after. In fact, we played better on Saturday than on Friday because we had more chances Saturday."

The coach just shook his head and walked away. His feelings were shared by all the players.

Mainland flies flee Communism

Insects have become refugees from Communism.

Dr. Bruce Collier, dept. of biochemistry, said that on a recent trip to mainland China he saw only eight flies in a three-week period.

Dr. Collier told the Alberta Geographical Society Wednesday that the most striking difference he noted between China 30 years ago and China today was the vast improvement in sanitation and public health.

Dr. Collier had taught in China 30 years ago. He and his wife revisited China last summer as guests of the Chinese government.

"Thirty years ago we would have never dreamed of sleeping without mosquito nets, even in the cities,"

he said. "Today this is not necessary."

Dr. Collier said he was also surprised at the large number of consumer goods in Chinese department stores. "It appeared that the people had money to buy them," he said.

Chinese progress is further indicated in the field of education, he said.

"Chinese universities have expansion problems similar to those at U of A," he said. Provincial medical colleges, for example, average 2,000 students per school.

A Chinese university education is accessible to all classes, even the peasants, he said. There are no tuition fees and the state provides room and board to those who cannot afford to do so themselves.

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