Gateway Sports



Bill Kankewitt ... on sport

Better late than never.

Although New Year's resolutions are made to be broken, here are some gems that might have been made by various sports personalities on campus.

Clare Drake (football coach) ". . . have a goal and a resolution for 1969. My goal is not to lose a game as coach of the Golden Bear football team. My resolution is not to coach the Golden Bear football team in 1969."

Murray Smith (swim coach) ". . . through my study of the human anatomy and with the excellent electronic devices I have at my command, I will develop a web footed human so that in 1969 the U of A will have the world's fastest runner."

Mel Baird (five-foot-six Bear defenseman) ". . . in 1969 I will either quit smoking and grow six inches or else I will go on a diet and become a jockey."

Terry Jones (Journal sports writer) ". . . either I will lose 100 pounds in 1969 or put a ruby in my navel and open a rent-a-buddha business."

Warren Champion (Bear basketballer) ". . . I firmly and absolutely resolve to be as handsome, witty and personable as I was in 1968."

Mike Ballash (Bear defenseman) "... I was going to try to win a pro boxing title in 1969 but my wife lumped me out last week and the bruises won't heal till 1970."

Chuck Moser (Assistant Athletic Director) ". . . In 1969 I will quit worrying and concentrate on panicking."

Ray Kelly (Trainer) ". . . 1969 will go down in history as the year I developed a cure for broken legs. Tape two aspirins to the affected limb and give the athlete an injection consisting of one part rubbing alcohol to two parts tape remover. As soon as numbness sets in, amputate."

Barry Mitchelson (basketball coach) ". . . no matter how much the Eskimos beg me I definitely will not come out of retirement to quarterback the team."

Ludwig Daubner (Bear footballer) ". . . I'm going to give up my nice guy image in 1969 and start having a good time like the rest of the fellows, even if they are foreigners."

Glen Sinclair (Mr. Everything and not too much of anything) ". . . I resolve to stay sober at every football game I go to in 1969. Come to think of it I think I will give up football and switch to golf. Eighteen holes of sniff and snort every day never hurt anyone."

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Mitchelson's hoop Bears unbeaten as season moves into the home stretch

By JOE CZAJKOWSKI

The Golden Bears refused to be buffaloed by the Manitoba Bisons.

That, for your aging information, on Dec. 6-7 ended the first half of the basketball season leaving Alberta all alone on top the WCIAA.

Both games were hotly contested but the Bruins were the victors in both cases with an 82-77 win Dec. 6 and a 64-63 triumph the next night.

In the first game the Bears led throughout. Barry Mitchelson's club was pushed hard in the contest as Manitoba was never more than ten points behind. At the half the home club was up 49-39.

The second frame saw the gap fluctuate only slightly. The Bisons couldn't close the gap entirely. The last portion of the game saw

them make a desperate attempt to come back but Alberta froze the ball effectively and the game was won.

The second encounter the next night saw the Bisons take the lead. They gradually added to it and at 16 points. By the half the Bears one point before the half led by had cut that down to a 35-23 score.

In the second half the Bears turned grizzly. The Bisons played well but the Bears played better. Both clubs were determined to win but Manitoba couldn't stop the rejuvenated Bears. It took the Bears a full 12 minutes to get on even terms with the Bisons but catch them they did.

A fantastic battle for the lead began. With two minutes to play Alberta had built up a six point lead, 64-58. The strategy was "control that ball". The strategy was sound but the execution of it nearly flopped. Manitoba scored five points and came within a whisker of scoring the sixth and tying point. Final score, 64-63 in favor of the Bears.

On Jan. 3-4 the Bears journeyed to Lethbridge for a pair of games. The first night they easily dumped the University of Lethbridge Bobcats 102-56.

Next evening they faced the Lethbridge Senior 'A' Chinooks. This proved to be more of a battle. Alberta, however, won this one too 72-64.

Christmas cheer, long wet nights and all that rot didn't seem to affect the play of the hoop Bears during the wet (well it certainly wasn't dry) season.

The club won all games it played and appears ready for the second half of the season.

Their first test is the O'Keefe Invitational Tournament being held in Saskatoon this weekend. Eight teams are entered including two representing Edmonton, the Golden Bears and the PWA Chieftains.

Next league action for the Bears is also in Saskatoon. This is on Jan. 17-18 against the U of S Huskies.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

	G	W	L	Pts
Alberta	6	6	0	12
Saskatchewan	8	5	3	10
Winnipeg	6	3	3	6
Regina	8	3	5	6
Manitoba	4	2	2	4
Calgary	8	1	7	2

Wrestling meets set for Calgary later this month

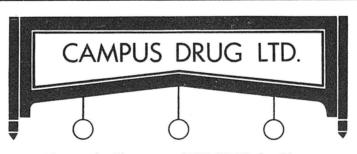
CALGARY—Five teams are entered this weekend in the first of two international wrestling tournaments at The University of Calgary gymnasium. The Dinosaur Wrestling Club will oppose entries from Whitworth College in Spokane, University of Saskatchewan, Northern Alberta Institute of Technology and the Calgary Combines in the event. The combines are a team composed of wrestlers from Mount Royal College and SAIT.

Five more teams are entered in a similar competition here Jan. 17 and 18. Entries for that event include Easter Washington College from Cheney, Wash., and Alberta Golden Bears along with the Dinnies, NAIT and the Combines. That tournament will open on the 17th as part of an intercollegiate wrestling and basketball double-header.



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