

SPORTS

BACUS "Bombers" fly "Overseas"

by Reginald
The scenario: Phys. Ed. Bldg. West Gym. The time: Sunday, March 28, 1976, 11:00 a.m. The game: basketball.

Yes, this was to be a climactic battle between the two forces of business acumen on our campus. The two combatants, the AIESEC Overseas and the BACUS Bombers, were to do battle on the court to prove who would be deemed top jocks in Commerce. At stake was the BACUS challenge trophy.

Lets set the scene. The AIESEC Overseas were coming off a string of impressive victories. They had the popular support of the fans. The bookies had them as 5-1 favorites. They had what we in the trade call momentum.

The BACUS Bombers, on the other hand, were hasbeens, worn out jocks, demoralized by their lack of success (nay, resounding defeats) in the past. Team members were resigning, leaving the sinking ship as it were. BACUS it seemed would bomb again.

A *Foregone Conclusion* seemed to be the consensus of the crowds. They stayed away in droves, not wishing to see the crushing defeat of BACUS. What they, in fact, missed was one of the most stunning defeats in the history of the sport. BACUS overcame all the odds and resoundingly defeated the AIESEC team, 62-52. Speculation has it that the score may have been higher but

the scorekeeper as well as the official are suspected of having AIESEC affiliations. They have been known to consort with members of the AIESEC squad.

Despite all the advantages the AIESEC team enjoyed, they could not produce a win. Why was this? Were they, perhaps, overconfident? Did they think that they had won the game merely by showing up? No, I don't believe they lost because of overestimating their own abilities. Rather, they underestimated the strength of the BACUS squad.

BACUS started the game strongly and swiftly took a lead they never relinquished. This upset AIESEC who furiously tried to recover their lost margin. But all was in vain. BACUS never allowed AIESEC to within 6 points of them. AIESEC was nearly able to decipher the cryptic BACUS defense, but not as successfully as they wished. BACUS team organizers attributed this to their good job of recruiting from the high school ranks.

AIESEC was frustrated in their loss but maintained good sportsmanship throughout. Rumour has it that they are out to win the next event in the Commerce challenge series by fielding a team of experts in the kite flying competition. BACUS had better beware. They have had trouble getting some of their events up in the air. However, they have shown a rapid turnabout in their line of thinking. They now have a winning attitude.

Judo team in tune for finals



photo by Gene Krupa

The provincial tournament of the Alberta Kodokan Black Belt Judo Association was held last weekend at the University of Lethbridge. As usual, our club at the U of A (Sensi Ron Senda) did their number on the competition by taking many of the top positions.

The hard work paid off for those members in the yellow to blue belt class with the following awards:

Lightweight (70 kilos) - Jim Unterschultz 3rd; lighthouse (less than 93 kilos) - Louis Kamenka 1st; Clarence Koots, 2nd; heavyweight (93 kilos plus) Don Goodfellow 2nd; Nage No Kata (Form Judo) - Collette Bielech 2nd.

The brown and black belt seniors gave us a good show with the following awards:

Featherweight - Gil Hachey 3rd; lightweight - Neil Leslie 3rd; middleweight - Bob Tanaka 2nd; heavyweight - Al Schaefer 3rd.

We can now look forward to the Canadian Finals, at which Mike Calder and Bob Tanaka from our club, will be part of Alberta's team. If you happen to be in Montreal at the time, go out and wave the flag for the team. Any persons interested in joining the Judo Club are welcome to attend any of the regular meetings held Monday, Tuesday and Thursday in the Judo Room in the Phys. Ed. Bldg.

Panda places 2nd

Henning earns National ranking

The Western Canadian Fencing Conference was held at Varsity Gym last weekend with 13 clubs participating from British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. The clubs taking part were the host U of A team along with the Excalibur Club from Winnipeg, the U of Saskatchewan, the Saskatoon Fencing Club, Regina Rapiers, Calgary Fencing Club, NAIT Fencing Club, along with clubs from Medicine Hat, Wetaskiwin, Vancouver, UBC, and U of Victoria.

It proved to be a very successful tournament for the U of A's Mary Jane Henning. She earned her National "B" ranking for second place in Women's foil. Denise Wild also from the U of A took top honours while Elke Wenzek of Calgary finished third.

The U of A's Jed Chapin finished second in both Men's foil and epee. In foil, Magdy Conyd of Vancouver was the winner while Mohamed Shoukri

of Calgary was third. In epee George Varaljay from Vancouver was the overall winner with Robert Best of UBC third.

Eric Smith of Victoria was the top fencer in sabre with Walter Hauser of the U of A finishing second. Warren McKay from the Saskatoon Fencing Club was third.



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