

## In first game of the tourney

# Loyola beats Alberta in a close one

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Alberta—61; Loyola—72

WATERLOO—Loyola downed Alberta 72-61 after a hard struggle Thursday on the opening day of the national basketball championship.

Most of the contest was a close struggle for supremacy but the game broke wide open in the final minutes.

Both clubs started slow and both suffered from nervousness. Loyola recovered first and built up a considerable lead before Alberta shook off the condition.

Alberta then charged back to narrow the gap to 35-33 at the half. Seven minutes into the second frame Alberta caught and passed Loyola only to lose the lead again a few minutes later.

John McAuliffe led Loyola with 26 points and Peter Phipps added 19. Dick Deklerk was the gunner for the Bears with 20 points and Bob Morris tallied 11.

Alberta shot 32% and Loyola 41%.

Alberta—73; Acadia—56

Alberta came out strong against Acadia and played their best game of the year.

After five minutes, the Bears were up 14-5. They used their height to advantage and never gave up the lead.

Unlike the previous night the Bears turned in a solid performance and held Brian Heaney, the championship's highest scorer, to but 16 points.

After the half, Bears were up to 37-27 and easily increased their margin in the final stanza.

Warren Champion led the Bears with 27 points. Dave Swann, Larry Nowak and Bobby Morris each hooped 10. Brian Heaney replied with 16 for Acadia and his brother Rich counted 15. Steve Pound added 11 for the losers.

Alberta shot an amazing 52% while Acadia managed 28% on shots mostly from far outside the strongly-defended Bear key.

Alberta—62; Loyola—76

After an exceptionally good game Friday the Bears came close to the opposite extreme Saturday.

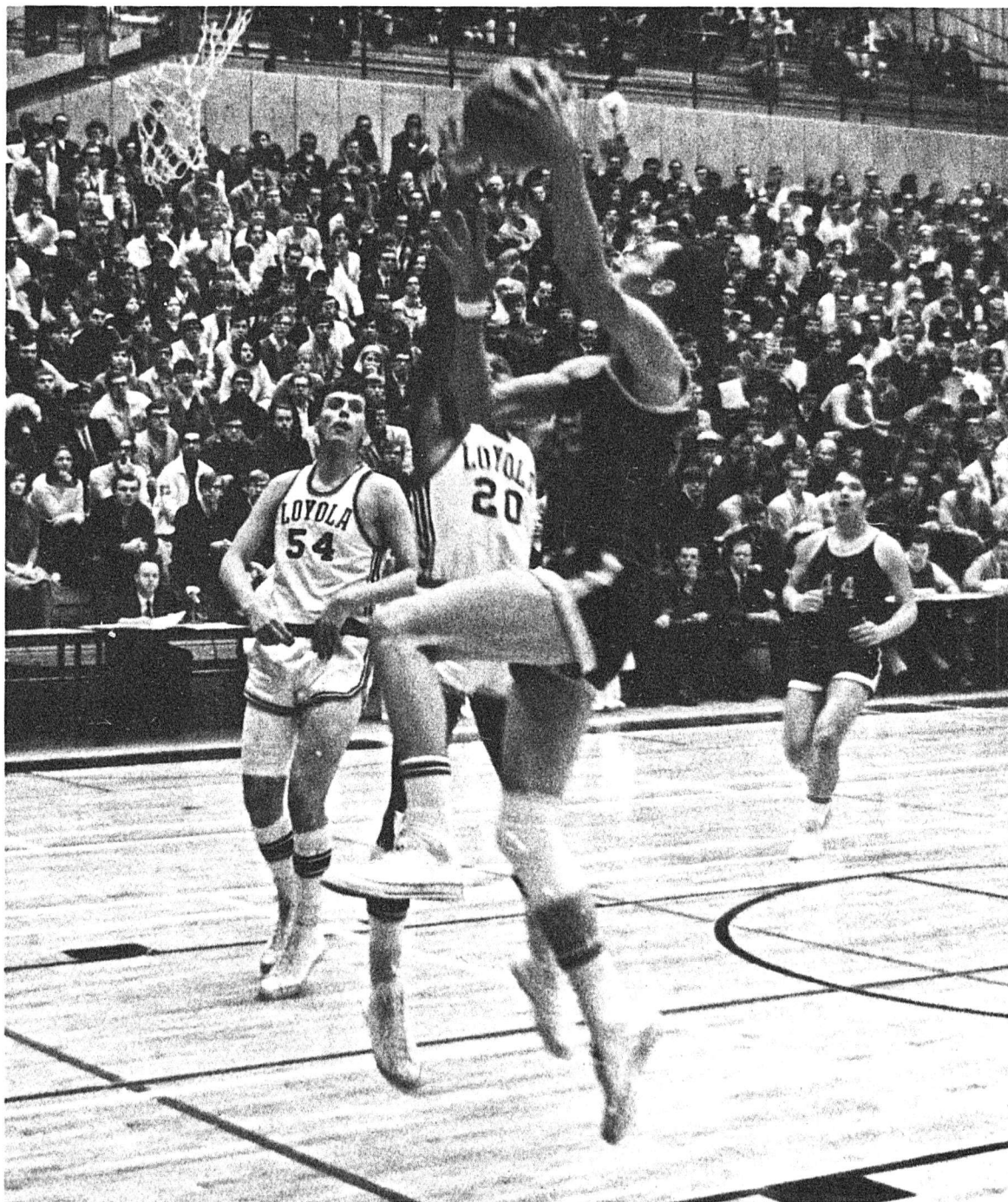
Their play was disorganized and the club was never in the contest.

Offensively the Bears did little right and although they put up many shots (87) few found their mark. Defensively, they gave up points almost without a struggle.

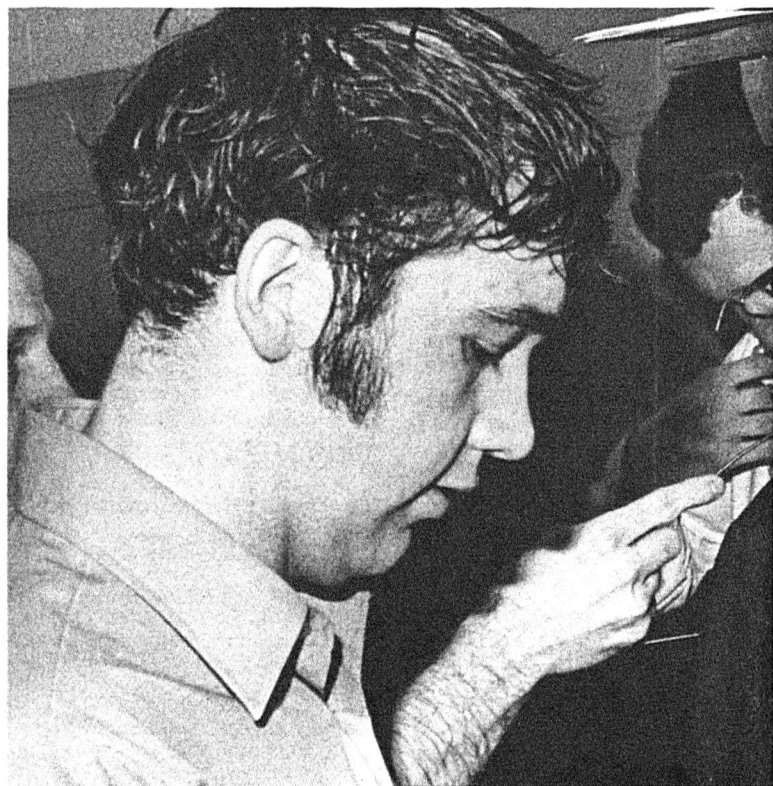
Loyola was out in front 44-31 at the middle point of the game and the Bears couldn't overcome this lead.

The Bears made 26 of 87 shots for a 30% shooting average while Loyola made 27 of 63 shots for 42%.

Deklerk was the big gun for the Bears swishing 27 points. Champion managed only eight. Phipps tallied 27 for Loyola and McAuliffe 23. Earl Lewis added 15.



—Photo by George Drohomirecki  
BEAR FORWARD LARRY NOWAK GOES UP FOR TWO  
... in a losing cause against Loyola



—Photo by George Drohomirecki  
THE END OF A LONG SEASON  
... Al Melnychuk a tired loser

## Basketball Golden Bears may lose up to three of this year's starters

Alberta Golden Bears should be strong again next season.

However, UBC will be back in the WCIAA in the fall and with Manitoba will probably be their main opponents.

Andy Skujins and Bryan Rakoz will be leaving the club as may Warren Champion. Ian Walker and Dave Swann, both in Medicine, may have to concentrate wholly on their studies.

There are possible replacements on the junior Bears though, especially in Paul Pomitlartz and Roger Taagood. Coach Barry Mitchelson doesn't discount the possibilities of picking up somebody straight out of high school either.

Dick Deklerk and Larry Nowak will be back with the Bears. Bob Morris and Al Melnychuk are also returning as are Dave Turner and Marcel de Leeuw.

## Hockey tournament all-star team

The champion University of Toronto Varsity Blues earned three of the six positions on the tournament all-star team.

Laurentian, St. Mary's and Alberta had one player each on the team selected by Brian MacDonald, coach of the Alberta junior varsity, George Kingston, University

of Calgary coach, Terry Jones, Edmonton Journal sportswriter, Bob Hayes of Halifax and Ted Saunders of Sudbury.

Toronto players named were Steve Monteith (right wing); John Wright (centre) and Adrian Watson in goal.

Mike Ballash of Alberta and Brian O'Byrne of St. Mary's were

named to the defence positions while Ron Dussiaume of Laurentian was the tourney's top scorer with eight points and won the left wing spot. Dussiaume scored four goals.

Each will be given a miniature trophy.

Wright of Toronto was named the tourney's most valuable player.