



THIS IS BASKETBALL

U of M Demands Equal Rights Hockey Ceases Until 15th

By Owen Ricker

The growlings heard of late in the Golden Bears' den over in the new arena have ceased for the time being. The quieting factor is a league ruling that official practices must not start before Nov. 15, a ruling which has apparently been adopted as a concession to University of Manitoba, who have no artificial ice facilities.

Bear coach, Clare Drake, in a move made after the team had held three or four practices, attempted to negotiate an earlier starting date with the other league members, but the Manitobans balked, so sticks and pads go back into storage for another couple of weeks before practices start in earnest. Coach Drake expressed the hope that some agreement may be reached in this regard before next season as he felt that the Bears might be able to retain several prospects who would otherwise turn out with earlier-starting overtown teams.

LAPLANTE BACK

Biggest news out of the Green and Gold camp has to be the return of star left-winger Al LaPlante, league-leading goal scorer last year. LaPlante, a 1960 engineering graduate, made a determined, and almost successful bid to crack the Edmonton Flyer lineup this fall, and has since decided to return to varsity for post-graduate study.

Coach Drake faces a major rebuilding job this year, and LaPlante's return makes it just that much easier. However, Drake feels that there are several top-notch, experienced newcomers who may be able to fill the large gaps left by graduation. He is particularly encouraged by the large crop of freshmen who have signified their intention of trying for a spot on the squad.

"The number of freshmen registered seems to indicate a good possibility of a junior team," said Drake, in answer to a question regarding the status of junior hockey this year. He pointed out that the junior team provides a good training ground for the Bears, and that several members of last year's Junior team have a good chance of cracking the senior line-

up this time around. Drake hopes if a junior team materializes that six or eight of the team members would be able to have the benefit of practicing with the Bears. However, should a team be organized, it would not be entered in a city-wide junior hook-up as has been the case the past two seasons but it would probably enter the intramural league and play some additional exhibitions with an eye to entering the Provincial playdowns next Spring.

FLYERS ... MAYBE

Returning again to the senior Bears, plans are almost complete for an exhibition game with the Flyers to open the new arena Nov. 30. It is hoped that this may become an annual affair, similar to a contest played each year between the University of Michigan and the Detroit Red Wings.

In the meantime, Coach Drake hopes to have an intersquad game, possibly Nov. 23, after which he will make his final player cuts. This game would be open to interested members of the student body as a sort of "sneak preview" of what to expect during the coming season.

Huskies Score!

University of Alberta Golden Bears, scoring quickly and frequently in the second and fourth quarters under rookie quarterback Gary Smith, wrapped up their 1960 Western Intercollegiate Football Conference schedule by walloping the University of Saskatchewan Huskies 39-1 Saturday afternoon in Saskatoon.

By winning in the Hub City the Golden Bears finished the league play with a perfect record of four Victories in as many starts. Alberta had dominated the conference all season and had wrapped up the title two weeks earlier in Edmonton against the same Huskies. They finished the year with a fantastic for and against average of 98-9.

Saskatchewan's hapless Huskies ended the year winless and until Saturday had failed to even score on their opposition.

Gary Smith turned in an outstanding performance in leading the Bears to 38 of their 39 points including his own touchdown run in the second quarter.

GREAT SEASON

Ted Frechette, who had a tremendous season with the Gilded Ones led the scoring outburst with three majors whiffs Ross Christensen and Ken Neilsen added single TD's. Lineman Vern Lindberg connected on two convert attempts and hoofed a single to round out the scoring.

Lindberg, who was handling the Alberta punting and place kicking in the place of Maury Van Vliet, who stayed at home, opened the scoring at 5:55 with a booming kick to the Saskatchewan deadline.

Huskies got that one back with a minute remaining in the first quarter when Regus punted for a single and Saskatchewan's only point of the season.

Frechette picked up his first TD at 2:45 of the second quarter when he took a pitchout from Smith and smashed over from the five. Lindberg converted to send the Bears ahead 8-1 and they never looked back again.

GOOD BLOCKING

After Saskatchewan could get nowhere against the once again very stubborn defence from Alberta, Gary Smith and cohorts took over the ball on their own 35. Receiving excellent blocking from his front wall Smith passed and ran the ball downfield for a major in only six plays. He capped the drive by going over himself on the option. Lindberg again split the uprights for the convert.

Less than three minutes later Ross Christensen wriggled over for the third Alberta six-pointer. Saskatchewan had fumbled their first play after the kickoff and the Green and Gold had recovered on the Saskatchewan two. The half ended Alberta 21, Saskatchewan 1.

After a scoreless third quarter, Frechette exploded for back to back majors in the first eight minutes of the finale. He picked up one on a plunge and the other on a pass.

Dennis Annesly, once again playing an outstanding defensive game, set up the last touchdown when he intercepted a wayward heave off Jack Donahue. Minutes later Smith found Kenny Nielsen alone off the goal line and he hit him with a 20-yard strike for the TD.



Is it possible for one man to score 100 points in a single basketball game? Big John Barber, who will be seen in action Thursday and Friday evenings in the new PEB gym, says yes, as he claims to have scored 180 points while playing at Los Angeles State College. Either Big John is one of the greatest scorers in the history of the game or he spins a better yarn than the Scrabblers, who invaded the sports pages last week in search of a reader or two. (Not bloody likely!)

Big John Barber, by the way, is only one of the great cast who will be here with the Harlem Stars tonight and tomorrow night to kick off the 1960 basketball season against our Golden Bears.

It should be quite a show as the Stars are reputedly one of the better touring teams to be found on this continent. This is their first time in Edmonton and judging by their press clippings they should be the best?

They not only play basketball but do a mean hoof during the half time which is said to be worth the admission alone. See you there.

ANOTHER LESSON

Wonder what's brewing in regards to the east-west football final, the Churchill Cup game? McGill appears to be the team to beat down there and at one time it was rumored that they were keen on giving the West another lesson.

Have you noticed the Calgarians slowly fading into the background? Fred Lamb is following in the footsteps of another great goal-tender, Turk Broda, he is 15 pounds overweight.

He is now known as the "Fatman". Steve Mendryk says his basketball team lacks only height. Is that something like a hockey team that can't skate?

My vote went to Joe Kapp.

Pete Chapman lost a bet, he failed to bring back Yip Shii or even a cheerleader. He even forgot the Vodka, seems he developed a sickening dislike for it.

Whatever became of Easy Ed Wigmore?

Mardis Gras Returns After Long Absence

Mardis Gras, after a long absence, returns to the U of A campus Saturday, November 12 in PEB arena. Sponsored by Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Society, this year's Club 61 is to be open to the whole student body.

Tickets are on sale in SUB and at the door from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at \$3.00 per couple.

Costumes for the affair are not limited to any other theme than Mardis Gras which means anything and everything is acceptable. Masks are to be provided at the door, and a prize for the best costume is to be awarded.

Patrons are to be Dr. and Mrs. Johns, Dr. and Mrs. L. H. Cragg, Major R. C. W. Hooper, Mrs. J. Grant Sparling, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dinwoodie and Mr. and Mrs. A. F. McCalla.

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