

## Bears downed twice at weekend as funny men show their stuff

By DAVE WRIGHT

The Harlem Stars, talented funny men of basketball, out-fooled the Golden Bears 81 to 55 in Varsity Gym Friday and repeated the feat 66 to 61 Saturday.

Led by Ed Blott's fine rebounding, the Bears fast broke their way

to an early lead Friday. Some hard driving by guard Bruce Blummell and forward Garth Hillman kept the team's hopes alive during the opening stages of the game.

The Stars play lacked its usual crispness until their big guard Henry Johnson started to riddle the Bear's defence with driving lay-ups and deceptive passes. Towards the end of the first half the Stars seemed to come alive as their big men took charge of the backboards.

The Stars played Thursday night in Calgary and needed to work the stiffness out of tired muscles before they could get untracked. The Bears, on the other hand, showed a lack of conditioning as they faded during the last half. The U of A squad should show improvement since they have only been practicing for two weeks. The Harlem team began play in September.

Coach Munro sent his cagers into the game hoping they would learn from the Stars greater experience. He substituted freely throughout the game giving everyone on the bench a chance to show his skill.

Don Melnychuk, who ripped the cords for 16 points with a jump-shot Friday, was acting as best man at a friend's wedding and didn't dress Saturday. The bulk of the backcourt work fell to Blummell who responded with 14 markers.

The Bear starting line-up bore no resemblance to last year's squad—not one of the first string players dressed for the game. Coach Munro is waiting anxiously for the end of the football season.

With Golden Bear all-star Nestor Korchinsky already sidelined until Christmas with a football injury and two more Bears, Darwin Semotiuk and Barry Mitchelson still playing, you can understand the coach's anxiety.

## UAC Dinosaurs extincaterated 26-7

CALGARY (Staff)—The Golden Bears downed the UAC Dinosaurs 26-7 here last Saturday.

In the first half the Bears completely controlled the ball, both in the air and on the ground. Willie Algajer, Val Schneider, Jim Hale, and Al Zemrau all put points on the scoreboard in the first quarter. Algajer made a major on a plunge, while Schneider kicked a booming 55 yard punt for a single.

Irwin Strifler scored two majors in the second quarter, one of them on a 45-yard run.

In the last half the Dinosaurs weren't the same team. They started the half by capitalizing on a Bear kickoff return fumble on their own 21. They got the ball to the Bear 43 before the drive bogged.

Dinosaur quarterback Ted Rhodes seemed to rely mainly on all-stars Kris Schmidt and Bob Rusu to carry the ball. Last year Schmidt was the Dinosaur's most valuable player. If the UAC team shows the same class next year, they could sweep the Vanier Cup.

During the first half the Bear defense and offense were good. Willie Algajer led the green and gold to a 26 point margin in traditional Bear style.

But in the second half the defense disappeared and the offence, on the rare occasions when it was needed, failed to click. The Dinos mothered the ball for most of the half and contained a frustrated Bear team.

The nearest the Bears got to touchdown territory was the Calgary 15 yard line. The penetration was the result of a 28-yard run by Vern Simmonson. But the drive sputtered out.

On the whole, the Bears showed up well. Despite several bad defensive plays, the Bears managed to limit the hard-charging Calgary team to one major in the last half.

Several first string Bears men were sidelined with injuries from last week's Bear-Bison scrap. Rennie Bradley, Peter Tyler, and Cam McAlphine didn't dress. They'll be back in action this weekend.

Bear hopes for a Toronto trip are more than wishful thinking after the Bisons 9-8 win over the Huskies in WCIAU action last weekend. A convincing win over the Huskies this Saturday will give them a berth in the Vanier Cup.

Saturday's game is a big one. Game time is 2:00 p.m. at the varsity grid.

## Bears beat Spurs in thriller

The Bears scored their second win of the year in a 2-0 recent exhibition contest with the Calgary Spurs.

More than 1,000 fans watched the rambunctious contest in varsity arena. High sticks and hot tempers highlighted a match which saw 65 minutes of penalties.

A determined Bear squad was out to avenge a 5-1 defeat against the Oil Kings. They outskated and outchecked the Calgary crowd to chalk up the win. But it was touch and go all the way as the Spurs caught fire in the final frame.

It was a goalie's game for the Bears. Bob Wolfe and Hugh Waddle were outstanding in the Bear nets, turning aside 31 shots for the shootout. The Spur's goalie was tested 18 times.

Darell Leblanc put the Bears on the board early in the second period with the final tally going to ex-Rocket, Austin Smith, at 16:50 of the third.

The big brawl of the penalty prone match was a stick swinging dual between Calgary's John Hutton and the Bear's Jim Reaman. The result was five minute match penalties to both players. Reaman picked up a nasty gash over the right eye.

Bear forward, Dave McDermid hit the injury trial with a shoulder separation. He won't see action for six weeks. It was a good game for the Bear team; they'll be out for the league title when action starts at home against U of A on Nov. 19 and 20.

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