

Bash the Bisons weekend

By JOCK STRAP

It's bash the Bisons weekend on campus.

The basketball and hockey Bears will be out to avenge the Bear footballers' loss to those pesky Manitoba Bisons.

In an unusual sports weekend, both the pucksters and bounceballers will be at home to tangle with "herds" from the Manitoba capital.

With their big wins last weekend, Barry Mitchelson's and Clare Drake's squads have excellent shots at conference titles.

The weekend games mark the 1968 home debut of the National champion puck Bears. It is anticipated that upwards of 2,000 fans will attend each of the hockey games.

In addition to the two big series, a host of supporting functions will be run.

As a preliminary event to Friday's basketball game, there will be a contest featuring the Edmonton Eskimos basketball team and the junior varsity Bearcats. Eskimo stalwarts of the likes of Jim Thomas and

Art Perkins will be in action for the pig-skinners.

Prior to Saturday's hoop contest the annual Commerce profs-students game will be played. This extravaganza is usually heavy on the laughs and light on the talent.

A suitable wrap-up for the weekend will be provided Saturday night with a gala dance and orgy being held. Further information regarding this function can be obtained at any of the weekend games.

WEEKEND EVENTS

Friday:

6 p.m. Eskimos vs. Bearcats
8 p.m. Hockey
Bears vs. Manitoba
Basketball
Bears vs. Bisons

Saturday

2 p.m. Hockey
Bears vs. Manitoba
4 p.m. Basketball
Bearcats vs. PWA
Chieftains
6 p.m. Commerce profs-students game
8 p.m. Bears vs. Bisons

Bounceball Bears clash with Bisons

Varsity Gym may not survive the coming weekend.

Why? Because it features the battle of the league giants. The Manitoba Bisons come stampeding into town to face the high-flying Golden Bears.

Neither team has yet faced defeat. The Bisons are 2-0 and the Bears 4-0.

Both teams are out for the title and both teams have the potential. First and second place they already have wrapped up. It's just a matter of determining which team lines its pockets with silk.

A double victory is almost essential for the Bears while they are at home if they are to stay in contention for the title. But Manitoba can't afford to lose either. It all adds up to a real barnburner.

Coach Barry Mitchelson of the Bears is optimistic. "We've got the personnel to take the title," he said. "It's just a matter of being up for every game because any team in the league is capable of beating any other team."

The headman has his squad in good physical condition. This, combined with frequent substitutions, allows the club to use a wide variety of defences and offences throughout a game.

Mitchelson's squad has handled any defence tossed at them thus far. The playmakers on the team like the wide-open game since it allows them to show their trickery but the zone defence they can overcome too. Whenever the opposition uses the zone the Bears set up their corner shooters, Ian Walker and Warren Champion. When these two are hot the opposition scraps the zone defence rather quickly.

So the Bisons will have their problems this weekend. Game time both Friday and Saturday is 8 p.m.



BELOVED GOLDEN BEAR COACHES—that is, beloved win or tie. Hockey coach Clare Drake on the left and basketball mentor Barry Mitchelson on the right will sic their charges against Manitoba Bisons squads this weekend. Appropriately enough, the weekend is called "Bash the Bisons weekend" in revenge for what they did to our football Bears. Let's just hope that the Bears will be grizzly bears and not teddy bears.

Bears-Bisons meet in puck set

It's nice to be home again.

Clare Drake and his defending Canadian college champion Golden Bears make their 1968-69 home debut this weekend with a pair of games against the University of Manitoba Bisons.

The Bears have already played six games of their WCIAA schedule, all on the road. And they have come up with a respectable 4-2 won-lost record in the process. Only the Calgary Dinosaurs have found a weakness in the Bear's armour.

Drake plans no changes in the lineup that destroyed Saskatchewan twice last weekend. This means that Wayne Wiste, Jack

Gibson, and Oliver Morris will work together after clicking for 15 points between them against the Huskies. Bill Clarke, Milt Hohol and rookie Bob Reddick will form a second unit and they too were potent, picking up 13 scoring points on the weekend. Gerry Hornby, Don Falkenberg and Tom Devaney will form the third line.

Dale Halterman will likely get the call in goal for Friday's game with Bob Wolfe ready for action on Saturday. This has been the pattern so far in the season.

Game time Friday is 8 p.m., while Saturday's game is scheduled for a 2:30 faceoff. Admission is free with your I.D. card.

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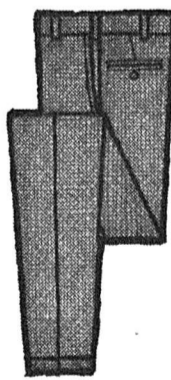
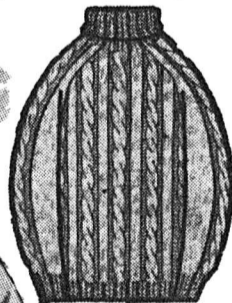
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