

Drake's demons demolish dastardly Dinnies

Victories move Bears into top spot

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It was billed as college HOCKEY action.

Good hockey it wasn't.

Perhaps a comedy of errors. Maybe a woodchopper's ball.

At any rate, the hockey Golden Bears swept a pair from the University of Calgary Dinosaurs to move into sole possession of first place in the Western Canada Intercollegiate Hockey League. It

was the first time this season that the defending Canadian champs have occupied the top rung.

With capacity crowds cheering them on, the Bears skated to 7-1 and 3-1 victories, thus avenging two previous defeats at the hands of the Dinos two months ago.

But it was a far cry from the type of hockey that the Bears and Dinos are capable of playing. For a good part of both games the teams were quite content to just pass the puck about aimlessly, miss

checks and take cheap penalties. Combine this with poor ice conditions and frequent delays because of frayed tempers, and it was enough to slow down the pace to a crawl.

The Bears got off to a flying start in Friday night's game and held a 3-0 bulge after 20 minutes. Gerry Hornby got things going with a blazing wrist shot from just inside the Dinosaur blue line at 13:09. Don Falkenberg brought the 3,017 fans to their feet again just 44 seconds later, neatly converting Hornby's goalmouth pass. Gerry Braunberger scored three minutes later on a breakaway.

The visitors held a wide territorial edge in play in the sandwich session, as the Bears sat back and let the Dinos come to them. Dale Halterman had a busy time of it, blocking 17 Calgary shots, while Don Vosburgh handled but six Alberta drives.

WCIHL STANDINGS

| | W | L | F | A | Pts. |
|--------------|---|---|----|----|------|
| Alberta | 8 | 2 | 52 | 21 | 16 |
| Calgary | 7 | 5 | 42 | 40 | 14 |
| U.B.C. | 6 | 2 | 54 | 23 | 12 |
| Saskatchewan | 4 | 4 | 33 | 31 | 8 |
| Winnipeg | 0 | 8 | 11 | 60 | 0 |

Gord Jones, an ex-Bear, put the Dinos on the scoreboard at 4:54 of the middle session, neutralizing Jim Seutter's goal two minutes earlier. It was the big defenceman's first goal in three years of intercollegiate play.

The Bears reverted to their fast-breaking style of play in the third period and won going away. Milt Hohol, Jack Gibson and Oliver Morris triggered goals, as the Bears outshot the visitors 16-6.

Over the route, Vosburgh handled 26 Alberta drives, while Halterman turned aside 28 attempts by the Dinosaurs, who picked up 10 of 18 minor penalties.

Saturday, 2,700 fans watched on in delight as the Golden Ones raced to a 3-0 bulge midway through the first period. Doing the honors were Wayne Wiste, Harv Poon, with his first of the campaign, and Oliver Morris.

Once again, the Bears reverted to their defensive style of hockey, and effectively held off the Dinos. At one stage of the second period, Calgary held a man advantage for seven straight minutes, and managed but one shot on Bob Wolfe in the Alberta net. Only Rob Wright's third period goal prevented Wolfe from earning his second shutout of the season.

The game was marred by chippy play on both sides. Mel Baird, the pint-sized defenceman of the Bears, was given a major for spearing early in the second period and with it an automatic game misconduct penalty. Then, with only 12 seconds remaining in the game, Milt Hohol and Gord Jones tangled



BEAR ROOKIE GERRY HORNBY—sets up for a backhander while team mate Don Falkenberg follows the play. Both players figured prominently in the Bears victories before packed houses on the weekend. The Bruins see their next home action this Friday and Saturday against the always tough Saskatchewan Huskies.

in a corner, with the former being highsticked for 20 stitches in the scalp. Meanwhile at the other end of the ice, Jack Gibson and Norm Minor squared off and landed some good punches. Both received game misconducts for their efforts, while Hohol and Jones were assessed majors and misconducts for their part.

Hohol thus joins Don Darling and Bill Clarke on the Bears injury parade. Darling suffered bruised leg and chest muscles when he crashed into a goal post Friday night, and is expected to be out of action for about two weeks. Hohol, with his head injury, and Clarke, with a bruised hip, should be ready for next

week's key series against Saskatchewan Huskies at Varsity Arena.

BEAR FACTS

Attendance at Friday's game was 3,017, while 2,756 clicked through the turnstiles the next afternoon. . . . Both were record crowds at Varsity Arena for college hockey action. . . . Elsewhere, U.B.C. Thunderbirds moved into third place in the WCIHL with 13-1 and 10-2 wins over the hapless Winnipeg Wesmen. . . . For the Wesmen, it was the seventh and eighth losses in a row. . . . Bears are at home this coming weekend to Saskatchewan Huskies, a team they defeated twice in Saskatoon earlier this season.



BEAR'S WAYNE WISTE (11) OUT-FIGHTS

. . . Dinnie defenders in Friday's win

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