

Bears open at home against Pronghorns

by Ron MacTavish

After four games on the road, the basketball Bears find themselves within the friendly confines of Varsity Gym for this weekend's action.

The Lethbridge Pronghorns with their unimpressive record of one win will provide the competition but the Bears will not be taking the wouthern squad lightly. It was these same Pronghorns who came within five baskets of defeating the Bears in a pre-season encounter that had to be one of the more inept performances of the year.

A similar effort by the cagers would be almost impossible as the team has improved with each successive game. Newcomers Marty Lyons, Tom Solyom and Mike Frisby have joined veterans Bob Morris and Wallace Tollestrup in the starting line-up and this unit looked particularly impressive in the Bears win over Victoria last weekend.

The Bears would dearly like to sweep the Lethbridge series as the four and two win-loss record that would result would put them in fine shape for the Christmas break. To win the Bears will have to stop Bill Magierowski, the husky guard that directs the Pronghorn attack. A veteran of basketball wars, Magierowski played for the powerful Raymond Comets, the same team that produced Bear star Wallace Tollestrup.

On offence the Bears will present a diversified attack that is based upon the rebounding of Mike Frisby and Marty Lyons. This combination was responsible for the success of the



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Bears running attack that proved influential in the defeat of Victoria. Their task should be somewhat easier this weekend as the Pronghorns are a much shorter team than any the Bears have faced to date.

As a team the Bears shot a blistering 47 percent from the floor in their last game and while not expecting a similar performance this weekend, Coach Mitchelson feels his offence is rounding into shape as the rookies and newcomers become familiar with its intricate workings.

In the department of diplomatic stickhandling this has to be a pathetic attempt to not ruffle the feathers of a visiting team. What I was trying to say

all along is that the Bears should crush the hapless Pronghorns.

Intramural acervation

It seems that the Division II basketball teams have been getting very little ink. We apologize for this, and would like to take this opportunity to make some daring predictions. The Chemical Engineers, St. Joe's "B", and third Mac seem to be the powers and should advance to the finals.

Last Monday night Dentistry did not find many cavities in the Phi Delt's defence. In Division I hockey action the Phi Delt's upset them 2 to 1. The Phi Delt's have gone undefeated in league play and will probably shake some heads in the playoffs which start next week. Another big game will be when the defending champions, St. Joe's, meet Phys. Ed. Both teams will be going into this game undefeated. Game time is 10:00 p.m., Sunday, December 5. Come early if you expect to get a seat above the players' boxes.

The deadline for Division II and III hockey is Tuesday, December 7, 1:00 p.m. To add a bit more colour and entertainment to the intramural, a "No-hit, no-skate" league will be incorporated this year. This is a league for "anklers" only, that is, any transfer students from Mississippi State, or just off the boat from Australia. The unit managers have been asked to keep "ringers" out of this league.

In water-polo, a big game is drawing near between Commerce and Deke's next Thursday. Both are undefeated

and it is probably each team's only chance of capturing an intramural title this year. Other powers are Dentistry, Phys. Ed., and Medicine.

Last Wednesday night, Bob Chen and Wendy Twa defeated Dan O'Reilly and Val Lengert in the finals of the Co-recreational Badminton Tournament. They advanced through league and tournament play undefeated. Congratulations to Bob and Wendy.

John Van Riper, competing for Physical Education, is our "Athlete of the Week". John's hustle helped Phys. Ed. easily defeat St. Steve's 6 to 2 in Division I hockey on Sunday. He is also a member of the Phys. Ed. "C" basketball team, who were upset 27-17 by Medicine "B" last Tuesday night. With two wins last week, John has advanced to the top level in racquetball singles. Also, John, along with his partner, John Jackson are moving up the racquetball doubles ladder. With a win last week in the Co-recreational Racquetball Tournament, John and his partner, Sandy Shenton, have advanced to round two. It seems that no matter what kind of court, field, or rink you meet this red head on, you can figure he is going to give you a pretty good game. Honourable mention goes to Mulloy Hansen. He is really racking up the points for his Medicine "C" basketball team.



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