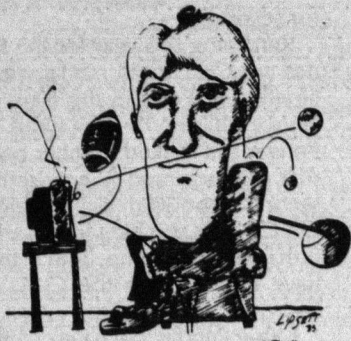


Bear loss augers well for whiners



Mark Spector

Some thoughts from the west side of campus that occur to a sports editor in need of a column: What a shame it is that the Golden Bears hockey team lost 12-4 to the Czechoslovakian side at the World Universiade Games. Even if they come home with the bronze (which is unlikely), I'm sure that they won't be satisfied. And with the ruckus that is sure to be raised by the five other participants in the upcoming Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union championships at Varsity Arena, a gold (or at least silver) would have been a very useful muffler regarding complaints of the Bears not deserving to be there... You'd think that teams would wait until the games were over before dredging up excuses for possible losses, but the whiners are already beginning to check in.

Spectrum

A recent trip to Calgary made for a notebook full of "We work so hard and they just get to back in there" quotes... Perhaps the Dinos, the victims of shaky goaltending and subpar production from lines two through four at the time, can sense that collar getting tighter as the nationals approach... Sticking to hockey, it's hard to believe that the CIAU allows the Alberta Athletics department to place the Bears and the other Canada West team in opposite pools for the tournament. Won't the national T.V. ratings be just ducky if it's Alberta versus Calgary? You can't blame U of A Athletic Director Bob Steadward though. He's looking at possibly five games out of seven featuring either the Bears or the Dinosaurs — that equates to big bucks, as a considerable contingent from the City of Cows is expected.

In the wake of that most devastating loss to the Victoria Vikings in overtime of the final game Sunday, Bears hoop coaches Don Horwood and Steve Roth are still holding faint hopes of a wildcard spot in the upcoming nationals in Halifax. On a system whereby each team's rankings from throughout the year are totalled up, Alberta considers itself the worthiest team for that second wildcard berth. "It's about a one in ten chance," admits Roth. "We're not holding our breath." They're not currently practicing either... In their defense, the Golden Bears have been denied berths in the old regional series in years past because of not-so-great performances over the regular season, while Victoria, who haven't even won Canada West for three years, cruised in there on their season's record. Alberta has spent four of nine weeks in top spot in the nation, winning the CWUAA regular season... The two green and gold mentors will send a memo to the CIAU Top Ten Selection Committee A.S.A.P.

Now that CJSR head boss Brent Kane has announced his departure effective May 31st, one wonders what will become of a once proud

campus radio sports department. Will CKST (alias 1070 Gold) roll in and take over exclusive broadcast rights of all Golden Bear games? Will CJSR's alleged right of first refusal allow them to hang on to all or some games? Will there be a paid sports director at all once current jock Blaine Ostapovich leaves shortly? Will Dick marry Jane? Stay tuned.

Back to hockey where the tightest possible situation occurred last weekend as the teams battled for position in the last two league games. Brandon and UBC, both tied at 20 points for the last playoff spot, were each swept, leaving the league to go back to head to head meetings to decide a winner. Since they had split the season series two apiece, goals scored would decide the better team — the Thunderbirds had outscored Brandon 17-16 in their four matches, thus advance to play Calgary in a best-of-three final... Manitoba hosts Saskatchewan in the other semi.

CIAU Top Tens

Previous rankings in brackets.

Men's Hockey

1. Calgary (1)
2. Western (2)
3. Moncton (3)
4. York (4)
5. U.Q.T.R. (6)
6. U.P.E.I. (10)
7. Ottawa (8)
8. Dalhousie (5)
9. Alberta (9)
10. Toronto (NR)

Men's Basketball

1. Brandon (2)
2. Winnipeg (1)
3. UBC (4)
4. Acadia (5)
5. Victoria (NR)
6. Brock (NR)
7. Laval (9)
8. Alberta (3)
9. Western (NR)
10. St. Francis Xavier (10)

Women's Basketball

1. Laurentian (1)
2. Victoria (2)
3. Manitoba (3)
4. Toronto (4)
5. Winnipeg (5)
6. Lethbridge (8)
7. Laval (NR)

8. UPEI (9)
9. Calgary (7)
10. Bishops (6)

Men's Volleyball

1. Winnipeg (1)
2. Manitoba (2)
3. Saskatchewan (3)
4. Laval (4)
5. Calgary (5)
6. UBC (7)
7. Toronto (8)
8. Dalhousie (9)
9. Western (10)
10. Waterloo (6)

Women's Volleyball

1. Winnipeg (1)
2. Manitoba (2)
3. Laval (3)
4. Sherbrooke (4)
5. Victoria (5)
6. York (6)
7. Saskatchewan (7)
8. Ottawa (8)
9. Calgary (9)
10. Toronto (10)

Men's Swimming

1. Calgary
2. Toronto
3. Laval
4. Alberta
5. McMaster
6. Victoria
7. Western
8. Montreal

9. Dalhousie
10. UBC

Women's Swimming

1. Toronto
2. UBC
3. Western
4. McGill
5. Mt. Allison
6. Calgary
7. Laval
8. Brock
9. Alberta
10. Manitoba

Players named to Canada West hockey

All Star teams:

FIRST TEAM:

- | | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Larry Dyck, Man. | Goal |
| Parie Proft, Alta | Defense |
| Chris Saint-Cyr, Man. | Defense |
| Craig Dill, Alta. | Forward |
| Stacey Wakabayashi, Alta | Forward |
| Paul Geddes, Cal | Forward |

SECOND TEAM:

- | | |
|----------------------|---------|
| Ross McKay, Sask. | Goal |
| Brent Meckling, Cal. | Defense |
| Rick Strachan, Man. | Defense |
| Bob Lowes, Man. | Forward |
| Todd Elik, Reg. | Forward |
| Dan Leier, Sask. | Forward |

COACH OF THE YEAR:

Clare Drake, Alta.

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