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'76 season less than perfect for coach

by Darrell Semenuk

For the fourth year in a row head Coach Jim Donlevy and his Golden Bear football squad was left standing out in the cold come playoff time.

The last time that Alberta went on to post-season play was in 1972. They were national champions that year, upending the Waterloo Lutheran Golden Hawks 20-7 at Varsity Stadium in Toronto for the Vanier Cup.

But since then the Bears somehow found ways to keep themselves out of first place in the WIFL. In 1974, after steamrolling over everyone in their first five games, the Bears had two wins taken away from



them in a boardroom decision. The result came because of the ineligibility of one of their players, Don Kates. Kates had failed to register as a student at the University and therefore was ruled ineligible. So, despite having what many people felt was one of the strongest Golden Bear football squads assembled in recent years, the team finished in second place with a record of 4-2.

The Bears are no longer feared as the league powerhouse as they once were in years gone by. The other teams have been constantly improving, while the Bears' progress has remained stagnant in the past few years.

UBC, once the laughing stock of the league, turned the tables on everyone this year finishing in first place, and whipping Saskatchewan in the league final to win a berth in the Forest City Bowl.

Alberta finished with a record of 4-3-1 this year, without

offensive line for the early part of the year. Bears' early instability on the line reflects in their first and second half records. Bears were 1-3 after the first half and were undefeated in their final four games, 3-0-1.

Donlevy is well aware of the fatal weakness that may have cost him a playoff position.

"When I look back, our offensive line was really the key. The offensive line is the key to your offensive production. We had one of the best running backs in Canada and we couldn't get him past the line of scrimmage initially ... Our priority next year is to build a solid offensive line.'

At this stage the present coaching staff of Donlevy, Clarence Kachman, Don Barry, Dan Syrotiuk, and Larry Tibble will return for next season.

There is a possibility that Barry, an assistant with the Bears for 11 years, will not return next year. "I have some commitments to the Commonwealth games ... I would think that at this time I will be back," said Barry.

Barry will be in charge of communications for the Commonwealth Village, and that precludes his duties as a coach in



There has been some talk that former assistant coach Bob Bennett, last heard from somewhere in Australia, might return next year.

"The last letter we received from Bob, he was somewhere in Australia, he said that he missed the game a lot. So, there's a possibility that he might be back," explained Donlevy.

Bears are assured of losing 3 players from their squad, all due to the expiration of their 5 years Brian Fryer, and without a stable eligibility. They include Dalton



Smarsh, George Paleniuk and Ron Bryant. There are another 7 possible departures, among them Gerry Inglis, Leon Lyszkiewicz and Jim Anderson, three key members from the offensive and defensive line.

Inglis, has been nominated as the western nominee for the J.P. Metras trophy, awarded to the outstanding lineman in Canadian College football. Inglis was drafted by the B.C. Lions of the CFL last year, and will attend their camp this summer.

Donlevy feels that despite the loss of some key performers on the line, and Smarsh, who again was a league all-star and captured his fourth WIFL rushing crown, that the Bears will challenge for top spot.

"We'll be competitive in a highly competitive league next year. I think we've got some holes to fill. We lack depth in some positions. We're going to be doing some long looking at high school players in Alberta and start talking to their coaches.

"With Inglis and Anderson going we've just got to find ourselves some offensive linemen. And offensive linemen don't happen along the scene very often.'

Donlevy plans to move slotback Pat Barry into the fullback position. Barry, who wasn't exactly overworked when it came to carrying the ball this year, has been one of the Bears' strongest runners in past years.

Things won't be any easier for the Bears or any other team next year. The days are gone when Alberta or any other team will dominate the league with a record of 8-0 or 7-1. Dynasties in College football are only a myth. Ask Jim Donlevy, he inherited Photos Brian Gavriloff

Sports Quiz

1. How many goals did Bobby Orr score in his rookie season in NHL? a) 13 b) 15 c) 17 d) 19 (4pts)

2. How many years did Babe Ruth lead the American League in ho runs? a) 8) 11 c) 14 d) 17 (3pts)

3. The Edmonton Oil Kings have won the Memorial Cup 3 times sin its inception in 1919. True or False? (2pts)

4. The NBA record for most consecutive points in one game (32) held by what player? a) Bob Cousy b) Wilt Chamberlain c) Eq. Baylor d) Larry Costello (3pts)

5. Match these CFL players with the colleges they attended. (5th

1) Gene Gaines

a) Arizona s

2) Junior Ah You 3) Henry Sovio

b) Notre Da

4) Johnny Rodgers 5) Tom Clements

6. Only one of the original six teams in the NHL has never had a 50₀ scorer. Which team? (2pts)

7. Name the three teams that appeared in the Super Bowl twice. 8. Which CFL quarterback had the most pass attempts in one galast year? a) Ron Lancaster b) Ralph Brock c) Bruce Lemmerman Tom Clements (3pts)

9. Who holds the NHL record for most goals in one year by a

10. Which one of these players was never voted rookie of the years the PGA tour? a) Johnny Miller b) Jack Nicklaus c) Tom Kited) Treveno (3pts)

Men's **Intramurals**

Water Polo

Contratulations to the Phys. Ed. water polo team. They are the winners of this year's water polo tournament Tier I. Phys. Ed. defeated Law by the score of 3-1. Scoring for Phys. Ed. were Mike Allin with 2 and Mark Lund with 1. Replying for law was K. Weeks.

The final games for Tier II are being played on Thursday Nov.

18th. Track & Field

The track and field meet will be held at the Kinsmen Field House on Saturday November 20, 1976.

Anybody interested in watching this annual event are welcome. Come out and cheer your favorite track star to victory. Basketball, Golf & Freethrow

The final standings have been tabulated. They are as follows: 1. Law; 2. L.D.S.; 3. Mac Hall; 4. St. Joseph's; 5. Phys. Ed.; on a team if one wishes to pla

6. Deke's; 7. Kappa Sigma, Delta Upsilon; 9. Dentistry; Pharmacy.

Thank-you to all the me who participated in this activity Indoor Soccer

The following are the top! finishers in the Indoor Soon league for the 1976 season: Dentistry; 2. Chinese Stude Assoc.; 3. Faculty; 4. Kap Sigma; 5. Deke's; 6. Engineering 7. Education; 8. Arts & Science Phi Delta Theta, Mac Hall (tied

Congratulations to the teams and a special thanks to the participants. Hockey - Div III & Anklers

The schedules for the Div and Ankler hockey leagues ha been drawn up. The leaguess right after the Christmas brea with the first game starting Jan. 1977 at 7:00 p.m.

There is still time to signi

Women's Intramurals

Completed Events

Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. in the West Gym. p.m. Equipment is supplied. Results: 1. Phiz Meds. 2. O.T.L. 3. P.E. 4. Mixed Mobbets 5. Lakers and Some 6. Ed.

Racquetball was held at 10 a.m. Nov. 13 in the PE courts. Watch for it again next term.

Current Events:

Fencing started Nov. 3 and goes to Nov. 24. It will be a round-

robin tournament with prize Volleyball finals were held The site will be the fencing gym

> ice Hockey started No and goes till Dec. 6, Mon, Tueso Thurs at 7 p.m. at the Varsh Arena. Please have your skall on. Watch for new schedule Everyone come out and cheef

Indoor Hockey started No 15 and goes till Nov. 29. Mon. p.m. in the West Gym. Equipme will be provided. Everyone welcome.

Yoga started Nov. 16 and goes to Nov. 30. Tues in the Wes Gym. 7 p.m. Please bring you own mat and towel. Everyone welcome. See you there.

Upcoming Events:

Curling will be held Sat. No 20 10 a.m. or 12 noon on the SU

Tennis will be held Nov. 2 Sun. 12:30-2 at the Mayfie Indoor Tennis Courts. Instrut tion will be provided. No charge for use of facilities. Bring equip ment if possible.

For further information VI the Womens Intramural Office PE bldg. Mon-Thur 4-5, Mon-21-1. Phone 432-3565.

Hoopsters at home against Vic

by Keith Steinbach

The U of A basketball teams will play their home openers this weekend versus the U of Victoria. By all indications the four games will be well contested. Last year the Victoria Vikettes dashed the Pandas' hopes for a place in the national finals. Alberta finished second to Victoria with a 13-7 record which included 4 losses to

the Vikettes who were 20-0. This year is different,

more balanced scoring attack and will not have to rely so heavily on Amanda Holloway. The Victoria squad has lost some players to graduation but is still a strong team.

When asked about the games this weekend, Alberta coach Debbie Shogan said, "We'd like to play our game. They're probably going to be deliberate and look for the good shot. We would like to press, speed up the tempo, and make however, as the Pandas have a them hurry their shots." Both

teams have 2-0 records coming into the weekend's play.

The Bears are facing the Vikings who, for a change, are not that much taller than the Albertans. The Vikings do, however, have their top scorer back from last year, Lee Edmundson. Edmundson will probably be guarded by Pat Rooney who suffered a minor ankle sprain last weekend but should be back at full strength for Victoria. Brent Patterson will be a questionable starter as he has come up with

what looks like strained knee ligaments. The final diagnosis will not be known until later in the week.

Bear coach Gary Smith will not try anything new against Victoria. "We will stick to our game plan. They're not much taller than us, which is a break.'

Victoria, who were 11-9 last year (3-1 vs the Golden Bears), split last weekend with Lethbridge in their league opener while the Bears took two from Saskatchewan.