Gateway Sports

The intercollegiate scene

Varsity athletic teams know what success is

By JOE CZAJKOWSKI Gateway Sports Writer Success.

The meaning of this word is well known to teams of The University of Alberta.

This year is shaping up to be at least as good as last season if not better. The football team fought its way to a first place tie in regular conference play only to lose out in the final sudden-death game to decide first place.

Barry Mitchelson's basketball squad and Clare Drake's pucksters are presently riding along at the top of the conference in their respective sports.

Both of the teams appear to be shoo-ins to take the conference titles. Both should reach the national championships with ease.

The hockey Bears have shown that they are definitely the best club in the league after a slow start. Drake's squad sports many players of all-star potential and this is a big booster to any club.

Mitchelson's bounce ball Bears are in much the same situation. Entering the last leg of the basketball season his club remains undefeated in league competition.

The tale continues in other sports such as gymnastics and wrestling.

Alberta had an impressive gymnastics team last season and this year's variety is an even better combination. A national title in gymnastics is not outside the range of possibility.

Bert Taylor's wrestlers haven't lost a Canadian meet yet this season. The squad includes a number of individual stars. Among these are Larry Speers, Karl Stark and Russ Rozylo who have been selected to represent Canada in the 1969 Olympic Games to be held Mar. 1-15 in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

We're back to that word

Success.

And Alberta fans love it.

Intramurals are for all university students

As a member of the Western Canada Intercollegiate Athletic Association, the University provides opportunities for men and women to compete in intercollegiate sports.

Included in the activities for men are golf, tennis, crosscountry, badminton, volleyball, basketball, football, hockey, wrestling, swimming and curling.

Women compete in tennis, golf, badminton, volleyball, backetball, curling and swimming and hold two sports weekends with member universities.

Basketball and curling are

played during one weekend and volleyball, swimming and figure skating during the other.

The Faculty of Physical Education, with the co-operation of the University Athletic Board, organizes and administers a comprehensive program of intramural sports.

Individual and group sports for men and women include tennis, golf, track and field, cross-country running, basketball, hockey, volleyball, touch football, table tennis, swimming and figure skating.

Facilities include gymnasium, swimming pool, ice-arena and outdoor playing fields.

Hockey championships March 6, 7, 8



The ups and downs of it all . . .

Athletics bring both the exhileration of victory and the agony of defeat to participants. Alberta has been fortunate in experiencing a great season with university squads enjoying more than their share of victory parties. Yet, the future holds promise of even greater things to come. Several Golden Bear teams (basketball, hockey, wrestling, gymnastics) appear to be headed for cracks at national championships again this year.