

--- "Clutch And Grabbers"

# Oil Kings Or Bears Better Hockey Players FEUD STORY

boys, Bob Goebel and Emory Sampson, will be centered by talented Eddie Joyal.

One defensive unit will probably be Don Pasutto and Lorne Braithwaite. Braithwaite along with Marik, Goebel and Sampson are the four Juniors so-called 'Oil-King Scholarships' to the U of A.

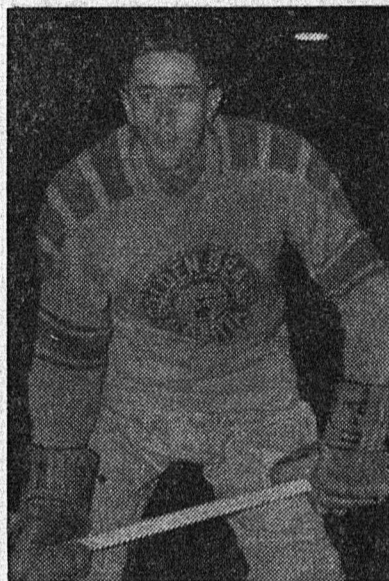
King reinforcements for Saturday's game will include three of the Central Alberta League's best forwards. John Young and Bill Voss of Lacombe with Jackie Moore of Ponoka are three of the league's top scorers. The other defensive pair will be Cowan of Ponoka Stampede and Doug Messier, a second year Education student, who is playing for Lacombe Rockets. Goal tending for the plugged Kings will be either Ponoka's Patterson or their own Russ Gillow.

With only the Lloydminster game behind them this season and a layoff from holidays and exams, the Bears are far behind the Oil Kings in

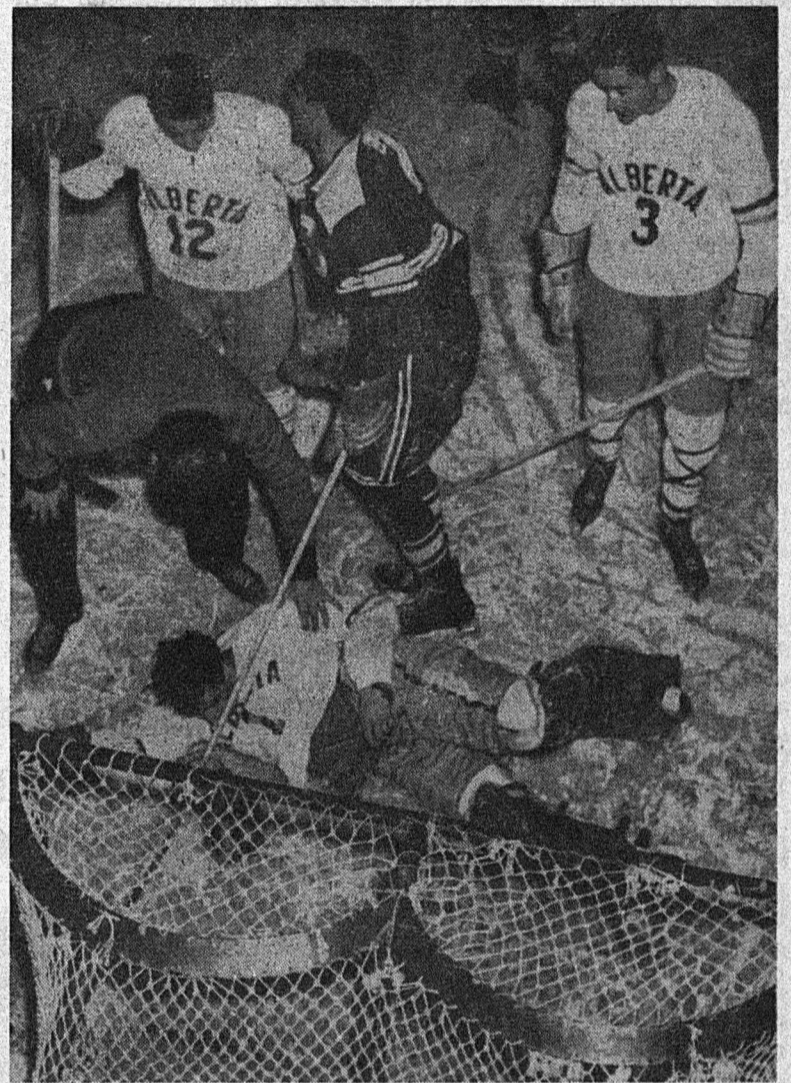
playing time and conditioning. Coach Drake hopes to ice a team with more scoring punch than last year. While his starting lineup is not certain, centremen will probably be former scoring champion Vern Pachal, ex-Kings Austin Smith and Don Podgurney. Their wingmen will be Al Laplante, Bob McGhee, Les Zimmel, Jim Hodgson, Jim Jones, Dave Carlyle, Pete Conellan and Dale Janowsky.

On defence, Vic Dzurko, Ed Sawka, Ted Mitenko, Bill Wintermute, and Ed Brown will be trying to hold out the vaunted Oil King forwards. Goal-tending for the U of A will be either Bill Brennan, former Flyer, and Calgary Stampeder, or freshman goalie, Fred Lamb.

Face-off time for what could provide some of the most colorful hockey entertainment of the season is 8:30, January 9. If fan interest is high enough, buses will run on Wednesday, January 13 for the second game of the series at the Edmonton Gardens.



**Ted Mitenko—Defense:** An easy-going but effective player . . . Good shot from the point . . . Ted is a dentistry student in his fifth season with the U of A team . . . Sat out the 55-56 season to play and coach hockey in Europe . . . Age 24, is 6'3" and 183 pounds.



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## HOCKEY

opponents.

Dentistry, Pharmacy, and Arts and Science, perennially among the leaders, should again be powers to be reckoned with in their respective leagues. Action will begin January 12 and will continue until March 2, with playoffs to follow if ice is still available. The leagues are made up as follows:

A—Law, Geology, Arts and Science "A", Pharmacy, Elects, Slipsticks, Education "B".

B—Medicine, Commerce, Phys Ed, Ghosts, Counts, Faculty.

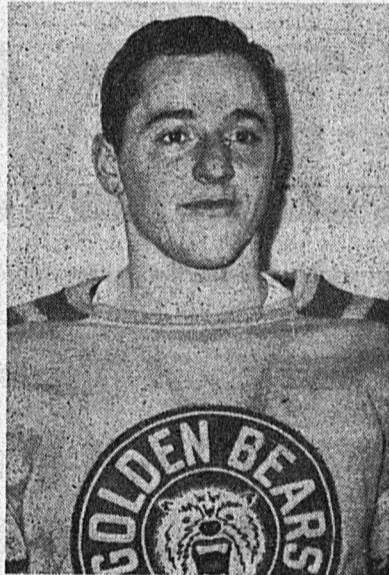
C—Dentistry, Arts and Science "B", Agriculture, Transits, Dukes, Education "A".

Interfraternity action will again take the form of a single knock-out play-off, with the first games being held on January 11.

Next year, according to present plans, three leagues will be run simultaneously—one for faculties, one for fraternities and the other for residences and clubs, with the winners of each meeting in a campus championship.



**Don Podgurney—Center:** An unobtrusive but effective center in his first year with the Bears. Has seen action with the Edmonton Oil Kings. Fourth year engineering student, age 20, 6'1" and 195 pounds.



**Les Zimmel—Right Wing:** A stocky, well-built speedster in his fifth season with the Golden Bears. Mastering in geology.

## Beat

thinks his club could beat the Oil Kings.

"I'm astonished that Drake wants to take on a team that can't score less than ten goals its last few times out of the gate," stated lippy Leo. "The Golden Bears only give us one worry," he said. "We'll need a new pair of sweaters after the game. We are playing Drake's 'clutch and grabbers' remember."

Drake retorted, "I can't understand this business about clutch and grab. Leo has not even seen us play this year."

That apparently makes little difference to the Oil King manager as he labels any team but his clutch and grabbers as such.

However it is quite possible that LeClerc has more worries than meets the eye. And rightly so! As the Golden Bear's line-up reveals several players of above average calibre. Drake has said that Bill Brennan will be between the pipes and the former pro gives the Bears the advantage over anything the All-Stars can arrange.

The defense anchored by Vic Dzurko, another former pro, contains in addition to Vic, Ray Sawka, a former Oil King, Ted Mitenko, a college all-star for years, Bill

Wintermute, a seasoned veteran and Ed Brown, a promising rookie. Here perhaps the All Stars may have an advantage but by the rate clubs are scoring goals in the Central Alberta hockey league it can't be very great.

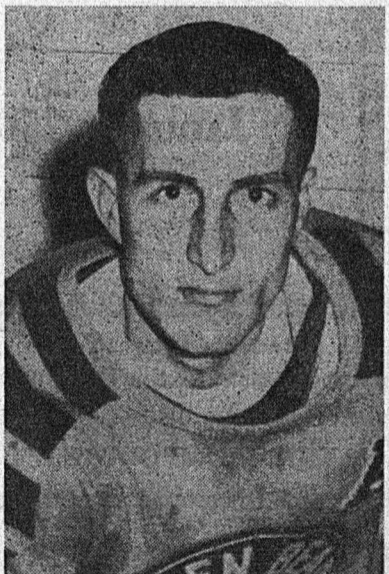
Up front, the Golden Bears can list such classy speedsters as Vern Pachal, another former pro who will match anything in the CAHL, Al Laplante and Austin Smith, both of whom were once high on LeClerc's list of favorites when they toiled with his Oilers. The balance of the forwards comprised mainly of veteran college personnel, will match strides with the opposition.

Drake has one large worry as he has only one week to whip his boys into their peak condition. Christmas holidays and lack of opposition have kept the Bears, as a team, off the ice for three weeks.

The Golden Bear coach did offer a prediction. "We'll beat them if we can get into condition soon enough. If the series is lengthened to five games we will definitely win."

Modest Leo had only this to offer, "The best managed club will win."

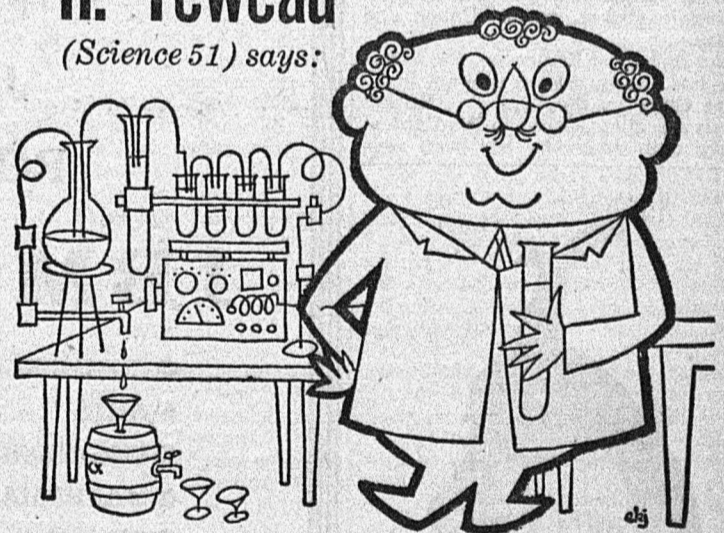
Yours truly is predicting a Golden Bear victory which will make Jim Donlevy a better manager than Leo LeClerc.



**Vern Pachal — Center:** A tricky, smooth player who has won the league scoring title for his last two years, third year with the Bears. In Education 4, age 28, 5'11" and 165 pounds.

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