

Morris Gets a Ride

Bears Battle Montana College Saturday

The football Golden Bears will test their fangs against another American team when they tangle with Northern Montana College this Saturday at 2 p.m. on Varsity Grid.

U of A students will get a chance to see the Bears' powerful backfield and tough defensive line, which are expected to give Saskatchewan and the University of British Columbia much trouble this season.

Saturday's game is the second exhibition against American colleges for the Bears this fall. They were whitewashed 28-0 last Saturday by Whitworth College Pirates down in Spokane. The game was the Alberta crew's first of the season and saw them hand the Pirates half their points on untimely fumbles.

The Pirates were champions of the tough Evergreen Conference last season. The Pirate coach said the Bears were the toughest Canadian team his boys had ever played.

Murray Smith, Golden Bear coach, said he thinks this Saturday's opposition from Montana will be a weaker club than the Pirates. "We have a good chance of winning," he said.

Smith said he likes the idea of the Bears playing small American colleges such as Northern Montana. "Experience has proved their players hit a lot harder than players on similar teams in Canada."

The coach said these tough games against American teams will pre-

pare the Bears for their two meetings with UBC, last year's champs in western Canada. Smith said the "whole purpose" of the team this fall is to get ready for the UBC Thunder-

The Bear coaching staff feels it would rather use its 12-man lineup and get battle practice under conditions that will exist when the Thunderbirds are the opposition.



Hup! Hup! Hup!

derbirds.

Saskatchewan Huskies, the third team in the loop, were no trouble last year and shouldn't upset the Bears this fall.

"You have to focus on the most difficult aspect of a job," said Smith, referring to the Thunderbirds. He said the Bears have "an excellent chance" to beat the Thunderbirds and win the western title.

This Saturday the Bears will be using 12 men and play under Canadian rules whenever they have the ball. This means they will have three downs to get first down. The Montana boys will use 11 men and American rules when they have the ball, with four tries for each first down.

The coaches feel that a victory over an 11-man American team which uses four big down would be much greater an achievement than a victory if the Bears used four downs themselves.

Entertaining during the game will be the PPCLI brass band. They will be aided at half time by their drum corps when they will present a marching display.

The University song is presently being practiced by the band. It is their intention to give forth with a chorus of the song after each touchdown scored by Alberta.

The half time entertainment is being sponsored by the University of Alberta contingent of the Canadian Officer's Training Corps.

Bears Try New Formation In Northern Montana Clash

The Golden Bears will be using a new formation when they clash with Northern Montana College this Saturday on Varsity Grid.

Instead of the double fullback system used last fall (and still used by the Edmonton Eskimos), the Bears will go with a fullback, a halfback and two slotbacks.

Ernie Takacs will charge out of the fullback position, with Ted Frechette eating up yards from the halfback spot. The two slotbacks will be stationed at two slots created by moving both ends out a few steps from the tackles.

Steve Mendryk, helping out head coach Murray Smith, says the slotback setup is a good passing formation—which will make good use of the Bears' throwers: Bruce Bryson, Gary Smith, Gary Francis and Lance Richards.

NO DEFENCE

Another factor in favor of the slotback formation is that it is different. "We only play Saskatchewan and UBC twice. They won't have time to defence the formation."



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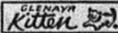
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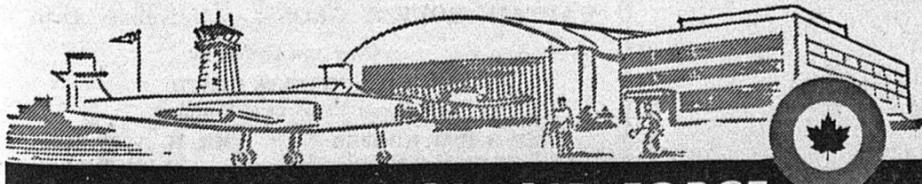
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