Brus is making them forget

by Mark Spector
All last week there was one often asked question around the camp of the Golden Bears: Will Jeff Funtasz play against Saskatchewan?

In case you've been living in a hole, Funtasz is the Bears' "Is He For Real Kid". Funtasz came out of O'Leary High School and romped all the way to the CIAU Rookie of the Year trophy. The following year, however, he showed little or none of the promise that accompanied him to camp. So all hopes are that this year the jury will reach their decision on the Golden Bears' would-be star.

And after Funtasz came up with a partially torn hamstring during the pre-season, some people felt that Alberta's offensive production would remain on the bench with

Then, last Thursday, the bad news came: Funtasz would indeed miss the Golden Bears' second game of the season. But nobody told Mark

"I was expecting Funtasz to be in there today," said Brus. "So when I found out I'd be playing most of the game, it gave me a little more confidence.'

And it showed. On Alberta's all important first touchdown drive, Brus carried the ball four times, including a two yard plunge to cap the drive. And the majority of his yards were gained right into the heart of the Saskatchewan defense.

"Last week, I didn't play with as much confidence," admitted the rookie out of (ironically) O'Leary High. "Before it was like 'These



Mark Brus goes up and over on third and one. An impressive home debut for the rookie running back.

guys are intercollegiate athletes'. Now, I realize that I'm just as good as they are.'

And Brus seems to be a welcome commodity around the Bears' dressing room, a room containing a few people that were getting frustrated with Alberta's one gun offensive attack. "He (Brus) did a very good job, especially for a rookie," said quarterback Mark Denesiuk. "If we use Brus properly we won't be as predictable (as in the past)."

"He's going to be a good one," seconded center Blair Wood. 'Once we get him and Funtasz going..." And Tom Houg. Houg quietly compiled 11 carries for 40 yards himself, and was responsible for many of his teammate's yards with some excellent blocking.

Brus admits that it's not yet a dogfight for the star running back role. 'It's obvious that Jeff is going to be number one, but Tom and George (Pinder) and Brian (Forrest) and me, we're good backs too."

And if you don't believe the old

It was a good weekend also

for the U of A's other football

team, the soccer Bears. Alberta

took the championship at the

Victoria Soccer Club tourna-

ment, edging the Ital Canadi-

ans in dramatic style Sunday to

Paul Walters scored with just

20 seconds remaining in extra

time to give the Golden Bears

the final game victory over the

On Saturday, the Bears de-

feated the Victoria Soccer Club

claim the title.

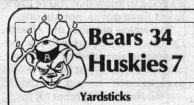
saying that you're only as good as your last game, this was probably the quote of the day out of the Alberta dressing room on Saturday: "It'll be nice to get Jeff back in

there to take some of the pressure off of Mark." — Mark Denesiuk.

How easily one's feats of grandeur are forgotten... even by one's own quarterback.

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were Craig McKenney (2), and

Dave Phillips. In the other

opening round game, the Ital

Canadians shutout the Alberta

The Selects went on to claim

third place with a 1-0 win over

the Victoria S.C. side on Sunday.

be on schedule for another

successful season. Last weekend they travelled to the state of

Washington, losing only one of

four matches, a slick field loss

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Rushing: U of A — Brus-12 for 55, Rushing: U of A — Brus-12 for 55, Houg-11 for 40, Villetard-1 for 20; U of S - Norsten-7 for 23, Lyon-6 for 10. Passing: U of A - Denesiuk-13/20 for 226, Villetard-012 for 0; U of S -Gagnon-8/22 for 102, Frederick-7/15

Receiving: U of A - Forrest-3 for 82, 1 TD, Lamb-3 for 48, Steward-3 for 25, Kozakavich-2 for 40, 1 TD, Pierson-2 for 31; U of S - Keen-6 for 88,

Sargeant-4 for 34 Punting: U of A - Waterman-5 for 45.6 avg., Kasowski-5 for 36.2 avg.; U of S - Gagnon-13 for 39.8 avg. Field Goals: U of A - Kasowski 2/4 longest was 40.

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Week Three Sept. 13

- Saskatchewan 7 at Alberta 34 - Calgary 3 at British Columbia 18

Future Games Week Four

Sept. 20

- Calgary at Alberta - Manitoba at Saskatchewan

Sept. 27
- Alberta at Manitoba

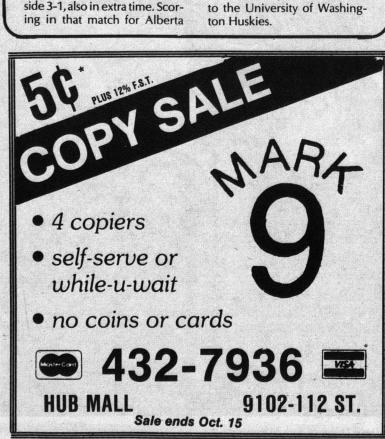
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