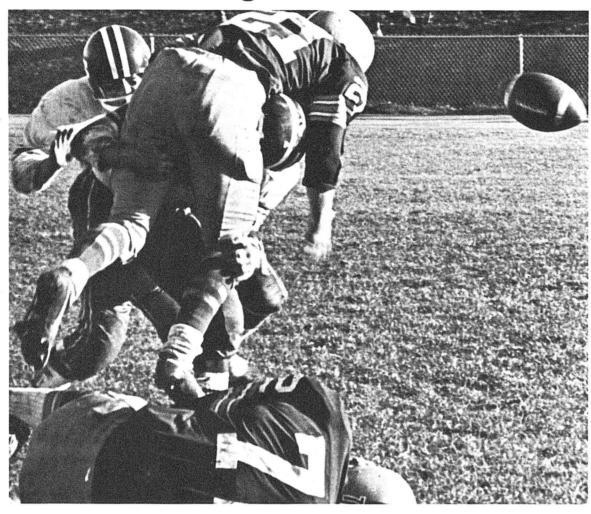
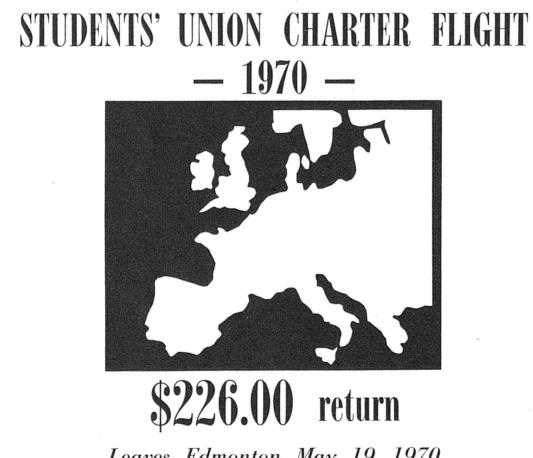
Footballing Bruins out to stave off elimination



BEAR ROOKIE MIKE LaBRIER ... coughs up football while Bill Manchuk (72) looks on



Need a victory over Saskatoon plus a Manitoba loss to the Dinosaurs

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The situation becomes more hopeless each week for Coach Harvey Scott's Bruins as the Manitoba Bisons continue to win games and maintain their four point margin over the Alberta club in the Western Canada Intercollegiate Football League.

The Bears travel to Saskatoon today for their game against the University of Saskatchewan Huskies tomorrow. The Bears and the Huskies are tied for second place along with the University of Calgary Dinosaurs.

By rights it should be a big game for the Green and Gold but the real focus of attention is on the Manitoba-Calgary contest in Winnipeg.

Coach Al Ledingham's Huskies have dropped two straight games to the Bears this year by such ridiculous scores as 33-0 and 52-7. Scott's club has to be favored to come up with another victory tomorrow.

But should Manitoba come out on top in the other WCIAA clash in Winnipeg it doesn't make any difference what happens in Saskatoon.

Even should Alberta win against Saskatoon they will have to sit and pray that these same U of S Huskies can bounce back from the severe drubbings they've received this year and beat Manitoba next weekend.

Then the Bears have to beat the Bisons themselves by better than ten points to finish first in the league.

It doesn't look good for the Bruins. Each weekend the odds have become slimmer and slimmer.

However, there is one consolation for the Bears. They are beginning to recover from the injury bug that has been plaguing them.

Only Lorne Rubis and Rick Spencer will not be ready for the Husky game and Trainer Ray Kelly states that they may be back in time for the last game of the season. That's the big one against Manitoba.

Dan McCaffery will be back in the line-up tomorrow and will probably see action at his usual defensive safety position.

Mike LaBrier, up from the junior club, will be replacing Hart Cantelon in the offensive backfield. LaBrier was brought up for last weekend's encounter with the Huskies and impressed.

Saskatchewan in the meantime is hurting at several positions due to injuries and will be facing a revitalized Bear club that is eager to get back into the running for first position.



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