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BANG, BANG, BANG!

Photo by George Yackulic

## BEARS VS. REDMEN

# Churchill Cup Saturday

Saturday will be a big day in Canadian University football circles as the University of Alberta Golden Bears battle McGill University Redmen to determine a national college champion.

Saturday is Churchill Cup day at Molson's Stadium in Montreal and the upstart Bears will be attempting to bring the cup West for the first time.

Bears, undefeated in league play this year, and with an overall 5-2 record, will be facing their toughest challenge of the year in the Redmen, and despite their glowing record will enter the game as heavy underdogs. In fact, the East earlier this season expressed reluctance to go through with the final as it was felt that the Western teams were of such an inferior calibre that a game with any of them would be no contest.

### AMAZING RECORD

McGill also had a 5-2 record this year and captured the eastern title with a 21-0 triumph over Queen's Golden Gaels last Saturday. Included among McGill victories was a 57-6 shellacking of University of Western Ontario Mustangs in which the Redmen rolled up a total offence of 539 yards.

Big man in the McGill attack is

quarterback Tom Skyepeck, an American playing his first season of Canadian football. Skyepeck, a husky 6'2" and 210 lbs., was All Ivy League in 1958 when with Cornell, and also received All East Honorable Mention the same year.

He has proved to be a top-notch passer and is capable of moving the ball along the ground as well. In the above-mentioned Western Ontario game, Skyepeck clicked on 17 of 23 passing attempts for 350 yards, and in another game, he sprinted for a total of 91 yards and completed 16 of 19 passes.

### STRONG BACKFIELD

Skyepeck's backfield running mates include halfbacks Carl Hansen, Johnny Moore and Willie Lambert, and fullback Harry Haukkala, two-time all-star from Mount Allison who also handles place kicking duties. The line is led by 235 lb. all-star tackle Paul Harasimowicz and guard Chuck Wood. The Alberta line is smaller, all down the line.

All in all, the Redmen boast a big, powerful, well-balanced attack. Head coach Bruce Coulter, who spent 10 years with the Montreal Allouettes, has brought a wealth of football experience with him and has done an excellent job in moulding McGill's first title winner since 1938, and possibly the strongest college team ever seen in Eastern Canada.

Such stalwarts as Ernie Takacs, Ted Frechette, Bruce Bryson, Kenny Neilson and Gary Smith are once again expected to spark the Bears' attack as the Smithmen attempt to do the impossible.

The Bears left the new International Airport at 10:35 Thursday night; and while in Montreal, they will be staying at the Queen's Hotel. The team is returning early Monday morning and will be at SUB at 7:30 a.m. A large welcome is being planned, and officials have expressed hopes a large number of students will turn out and give the Bears a rousing welcome, win or lose.

## "Oh Ho Ho! To McGill We Go"

Jim Foster and Gerry Lucas were chosen Friday to represent the University of Alberta at the fourth annual McGill Conference on World Affairs, November 21 to 24.

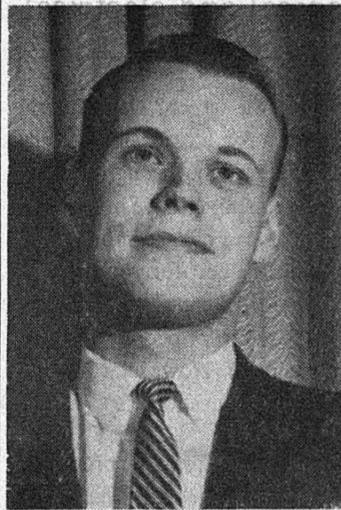
Forty-six Canadian and American Universities have been invited to attend the conference. Also in attendance will be University professors, labor union leaders, political party organizers and newspapermen.

Among the key speakers will be Professor F. W. Watkins, former head of the political science department at Yale University and author of "The Political Tradition of the West," and Professor Max Lerner, columnist for the New York Post and author of "America as a Civilization."

Jim Foster, of Red Deer, is a third year economics student and plans to enter law. He is last year's United Nations club president and this year's vice-president of the Political Science club.

Gerry Lucas, of Edmonton, received his BA in history at the University of Alberta, and is now taking second year law. He is president of the History club, vice-chairman of NFCUS, past president of the Political Science club, and a member of this year's McGoun debating team.

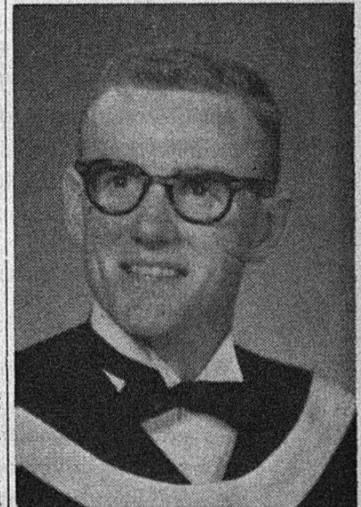
McGill University will furnish \$100 per delegate, and the remaining expenses are shared by the Students' Union and the administration of the University.



GERALD LUCAS

The theme of this year's conference is "democracy in a changing world: a study of South American society." Some of the discussion topics will be "The relationship between democracy and liberalism," "The communists' and underdeveloped countries' critique of western democracy," and "The role of mass media in public opinion formation."

The growing world influence of communism and a hesitant attitude toward the West on the part of many developing nations is prompting North Americans to seriously re-examine the foundations of their Western democratic and free enterprise systems. The McGill Conference on World Affairs is designed to promote such inquiry and evaluation.



JAMES FOSTER

## Vogel Directs

# "Not With A Bang"

Maybe not with a bang, but with more speed this year than usual, casting for major roles in Varsity Varieties has been completed.

Author of the "Not With a Bang", Chris Evans, deems the theme of his work "the right of the individual over the tyranny of the majority." His plot revolves around an Administration-Students' Union—student controversy concerning a student playwright, John Smith,

who writes a script for "Varsity Lost Weekend" and is hotly condemned by both the Administration and Students' Union alike.

Don Giffen will appear in the lead role of the ostracized individual, John Smith. Sandy Mark as his girl friend Rhoda Rubberband and Carol Salt, as the dean of women, will head the female cast.

Don Clayton will portray University president Faubus; Bob Craig the typically perfect Freddy Frat and Brant Robertson his parallel—Teddy Tiebar.

Barry Vogel, law '59, is directing this year's varieties. His assistant is John Ferguson. Tommy Banks is again in charge of musical arrangements.

Formal rehearsals started two weeks ago. The successful early start is attributed to the Gold Key Society's insight on having the script specifically completed during the summer. In former years the script was often being completed months after fall enrollment.

Varsity Varieties '61 will be presented in Edmonton during Guest Weekend, February 23-24 and in Calgary March 10-11.

## Christmas Exams Examined

Numerous letters, editorials and finally a special committee of the Students' Union have all criticized the innovation of post-Christmas examinations. A student survey revealed a decided dislike for the new system.

In an effort to obtain the administration's side of the question, 25 professors in several faculties were consulted as to their views on the controversial topic. Of the 25, a majority of 14 definitely favored the change; seven preferred the present system; five remained undecided.

Regardless of their answers, all held one opinion in the necessity of considering this year's plan as an experiment from which results must be tabulated and compared with the results of pre-Christmas papers of previous years.

Many of those wanting the January tests were affirmative only with provision. "Before they schedule examinations after Christmas, they should lengthen the holidays," one staff member states. "Three weeks would allow students to enjoy the Christmas season and still have time to settle down and work. Then examinations could be written during the first week back in January."

"Examinations could be postponed another week to allow proper return to studies. There is no need for an exact division of time for terms."

No net increase could be seen in achievements of the students by the change; nor could any great failure increase be predicted. "Students will do what they have to regardless of when examinations are held."

While a majority of the professors were familiar only with the present system, some had had experience with the semester plan which does include post-holiday examinations. All predicted a switch to semesters resulting from the move now underway to lengthen the University year.

"In approximately five years from now, The Gateway will be conducting a poll on whether or not the faculties prefer to revert back to the old term system plan in place of the semester system."

"No plan should be condemned in advance," a member stated. "It is the sign of maturity in a University when it is flexible enough to try new policy shifts to solve increasing problems."

## Vans' Treasures

Treasure Van had its most successful sale at U of A yet, according to figures released Tuesday. Total sales amounted to \$5,100, \$600 more than last year.

Sales at U of A have usually been among the best in Canada. The local committee consisted of Judy Lee, sales; Mary Bryan, publicity; Marjorie Mason, secretary; and Dr. Saul Zalik, faculty advisor. Errol Marliss was chairman.