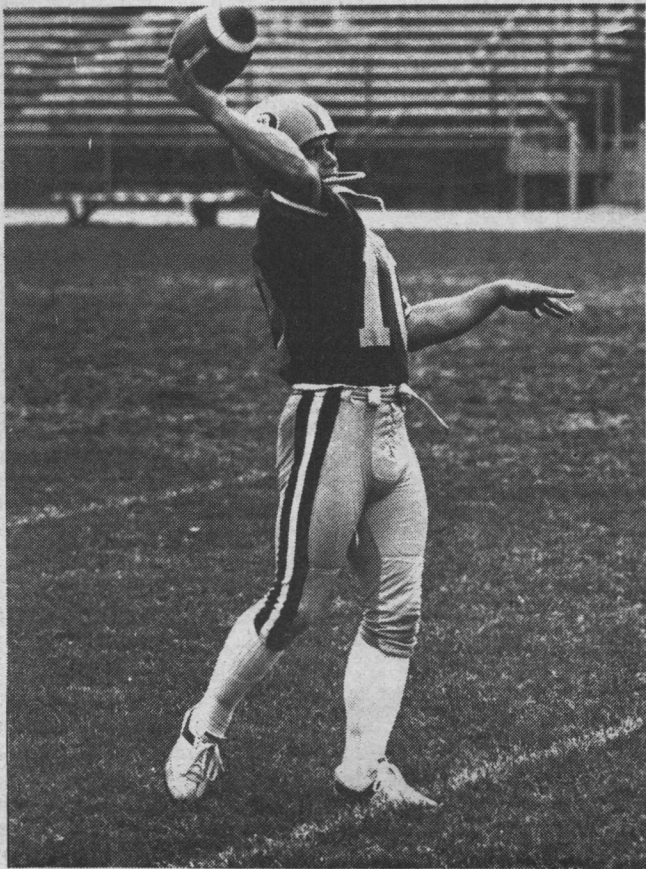


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Bears not endangered by Dinos



Quarterback Forrest Kennerd practises air attack that resulted in Dino's Aug. 31 extinction.



Bears line up in preparation for Saturday's game against the always physical Bisons.

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By Bob Kilgannon

The Golden Bear football team started their season last Friday night with a convincing 40-27 verdict over the U of C Dinosaurs in Calgary. Led by an

awesome passing attack under the direction of rookie quarterback Forrest Kennerd, the Bears took the lead midway through the first quarter and controlled the game from there.

Calgary jumped into a quick 3-0 lead with a 45-yard field goal by Tony Kuchera but it was to be the only lead the Dinosaurs had all night. Kennerd responded by

hitting Sean Kehoe coming out of the backfield and the speedy halfback outlegged the Calgary secondary for 72 yards and a touchdown to give the Bears the lead.

Kuchera kicked another field goal, this time from 35 yards away. With time running out in the first half, Kennerd marched the offence down the field using the passing attack almost exclusively. The drive culminated in a seven-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver Dave Brown with just 58 seconds left in the first half.

The Dinosaurs stormed out of the dressing room for the second half and marched the ball 90 yards for a touchdown with quarterback Greg Varva, a rookie, running the ball in from four yards out. The drive was highlighted by some excellent running by rookie slotback Tim Petros, who had 18 carries for 75 yards on the night to lead all U of C rushers.

The Green and Gold didn't let Calgary's drive rattle them and started to put the game out of reach. The defense became stingy and Kennerd picked apart the porous Dinosaur secondary for two more touchdowns, one a four-yard pass to running back Rick Paulitsch and the other on a 45-yard pass-and-run play to slotback Kerry O'Connor.

The Golden Bears had the game well in hand by the time Calgary came back with two touchdowns late in the fourth quarter. The first touchdown came on a 37-yard pass-and-run play to flanker Darcy Krogh. Their last score was another 37 yard toss, this time to tight end Vic Stevenson off a faked field goal as the Dinosaurs caught the Bears defense napping.

Forrest's twin brother Trevor Kennerd completed the scoring with a 44-yard field goal and a 31-yard single, as well as converting all five touchdowns. Dave Brown also added a single.

Calgary's offense, quarterbacked on alternate plays by sophomore Paul Colborne and freshman Varva totaled 443 yards and 22 first downs but they couldn't finish off their drives as the U of A defense stiffened in their own end of the field.

Head coach Jim Donlevy

wasn't too worried about the defense giving up 27 points, pointing out that it was early in the season and adding that he felt the defense will gel more after they have played together.

Offensively is where the Bears really shone with 421 yards passing and 96 yards rushing, for a total offense of over 500 yards. Slotback Kerry O'Connor, back after attending the Edmonton Eskimos training camp, had long receptions of 39 and 55 yards as well as his touchdown catch. While he didn't get any touchdowns, rookie wide receiver Peter Eshenko led the Golden Bear receiving corps with seven receptions for a healthy 147 yards. The offensive line also played quite well, allowing the Dinosaurs only limited success in pressuring the quarterback.

Defensive back Gord Syme, who was kicked in the calf (gastrocnemius for you med students) and offensive guard Ben Der, with a bruised elbow, were the only injuries the Bears received.

The Golden Bear home opener against the Manitoba Bisons is this Saturday at 2 p.m. Dennis Hryciako, a former running back for the Bisons before coming to the U of A for his post graduate work is the new head coach.

Team Dates

Many U. of A. inter-collegiate coaches have announced specifics of organizational meetings and tryouts. The closest at hand, but not all, are listed.

Soccer: see Peter Esdale on Sept. 7 in W1-59 at 5:00 pm.

Hockey: see Bill Moores on Sept. 12 in W1-39 at 5:00pm.

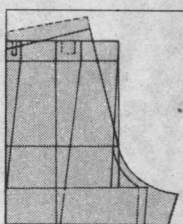
Gymnastics: see Francis Tally on Sept. 10 in E-05 at 5:00 pm.

Women's Gymnastics: see Sandy O'Brien on Sept. 10 in E-01 at 5:00 pm.

Women's Field Hockey: see Wendy Carson on Sept. 10 at Lister Field at 5:00 pm.



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