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He got it! Brian Adam held on to score Bear's second TD against SFU last Saturday. Photo by Sandy Campbell



Gary Widynowski's end zone interception killed SFU's last march downfield in the dying minutes of the game. Photo by Rick Bilak

There are three things a person needs to be content: happiness, security and satisfaction. From Charles M. Schulz, author of "Peanuts", we learn that happiness is a warm puppy and security is a thumb and a blanket. From James G. Donlevy, Golden Bears' head coach, we learn that satisfaction is beating Simon Fraser University Clansmen in a football game.

Donlevy described U of A's 30-18 victory last Saturday at Varsity Stadium as "The next best thing to winning the college bowl."

Although it was an exhibition game there was as much riding on it as any league contest. Simon Fraser was deferring its choice to stay out of the Western Intercollegiate Football League and compete instead as an independent entry in U.S. small college ranks. With their athletic scholarships, Clansmen have been touted by some sports writers as the best Canadian intercollegiate football team.

Bears wanted to prove that the WIFL was competitive with any school in Canada. The result was a hard-hitting game that several times almost broke into a fight.

SFU opened the scoring with Lui Passaglia's single off a wide field goal at 3:14 of the first quarter. Bears replied with Jack Schwartzberg's 19 yard field goal and halfback Brian Fryer's 74 yard touchdown pass-and-run.

Fryer's big play was the result of an audible by quarterback Gerald Knyk. Knyk sent Dalton Smarsh and Fryer out of the backfield on a pattern that had netted Smarsh a 69 yard gain on Bears' first play. When Clansmen's defence converged on Smarsh, Knyk hit

Fryer streaking down the middle and the halfback outran everyone to the end zone.

Alberta's 9-1 lead was cut to 9-8 at the end of the first quarter on a four yard pass from quarterback Nelson Ryan to Sean Sullivan and Passaglia's convert.

Bears came back with Brian Adam's four yard pass reception and Schwartzberg's convert and 29-yard field goal to lead 19-8 at halftime.

In the third quarter U of A seemed to let down and SFU was quick to take advantage. Clansmen's defence hemmed Bears deep in their own end by intercepting three passes. Knyk was forced to concede two safety touches, once when a third down snap flew over his head into the end zone.

Following an interception by Steve Gelley and his return to Alberta's 18 yard line, Ryan hit split end Dave Kaduhr in the endzone for a touchdown that made the score 19-18 after three quarters.

A series of plays early in the fourth period indicated Bears' determination to keep their lead. On third down at his own 24-yard line Knyk kicked a 48 yard punt to get Alberta out of tough field position. However, the play was called back on an offside penalty and Knyk had to punt again, this time from his 19.

He responded with a 52-yarder and U of A's tacklers hustled downfield again to drop Passaglia at SFU's 35 yard line. But a holding penalty wiped out that punt as well.

On third-and-26 from his 9, Knyk boomed a 58-yarder and the coverage pinned Passaglia at his 48. With efforts like that there was no way Alberta was going to be beaten.

Shortly afterward Gary Widynowski blocked a Clansmen punt and Schwartzberg kicked

## Bears break up Clan

by Peter Best

another single to increase Bears' lead to 20-18. Widynowski had an outstanding game, partially blocking another punt and intercepting two passes.

Fryer put the game out of reach on another streak out of the backfield for a 91 yard touchdown pass play at 12:30. Schwartzberg completed the scoring with another single and a 26 yard field goal.

Bears won by virtue of their all-around team effort. Despite an injury list that goes into double figures they found a way to do the job.

Missing from the line-up were the regulars on crutches: Larry Tibble, Terry Cairns and Mike Ewachniuk. Middle linebacker Bill Evans was out with a knee injury so Tom Towns was converted from fullback to take his place. Towns, who had never played linebacker before, went both ways for much of the game because Smarsh limped off several times on a bruised leg.

Corner linebacker, Mike MacLeod, who desperately wants to play, was still sidelined with his charley horse. Flanker Roy Beechey missed his second consecutive game with an ankle injury.

Defensive end Brian Jones rested his twisted ankle and was replaced by Leon Lyszkiewicz, playing his first game.

Safety Dave Kates almost made it to game-time but he suffered muscle spasms during the pre-game warmup and had to be helped into the dressing room.

Two other Bears, cornerback Gary Wilson and linebacker Jamie Steer, hadn't practiced all week but came up strong on Saturday. Wilson, who

intercepted two passes against SFU, is still suffering from a head injury he sustained in the Saskatchewan game and Steer has a neck injury. Earlier in the week doctors suspected Steer had a fractured vertebra but when x-rays showed no sign of breakage he was allowed to play.

After the game Clansmen co-head Bob De Julius said his team did not play as well as it can. He felt that his defensive linemen were hampered by the Canadian rules and that Ryan had a sub-par passing performance.

(oops!)

De Julius realized his team's loss of prestige due to Alberta's victory. There was a lot of pressure on SFU to maintain its undefeated record against Canadian Universities. "We had everything to lose and nothing to gain," as De Julius put it.

When asked if Bears' win would cause SFU to consider joining the WIFL De Julius replied that it was unlikely. He felt that if Clansmen had to give up their athletic scholarships as WIFL rules require "...football would not survive at Simon Fraser."

According to De Julius the school's small population (about 6,000 students) and limited academic offerings would cause

west coast football players to choose UBC over SFU without the benefits of scholarships.

Meanwhile in Bears' dressing room the players were taking pride in their victory and complimenting their teammates' efforts. The atmosphere was one of complete satisfaction.

In upcoming WIFL action this weekend, U of A will host Calgary at 2 p.m. in Varsity Stadium and UBC Thunderbirds will visit Winnipeg to take on Manitoba.



Senior Bears meet U of T Blues this Sunday and Monday in first home games of the season. Story on page 4.