

GOLDEN GLORY

Golden bears must win vital homecoming game

BY BARRY RUST

Homecoming Weekend 1961 may mean fun and frolic for some, but not for the U of A Golden Bears, not until after next Saturday's football game with Saskatchewan at least.

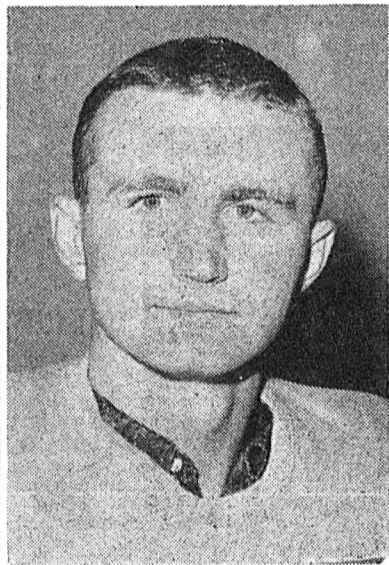
Bear boss Murray Smith realizes the game's importance and he will not be satisfied with anything less than a victory. "We have to win," he said emphatically. "The coaches know it, and I'm sure the players feel the same." Should the Bears lose, the best thing they can hope for is a tie with UBC in the final standings.

Similarly, Saturday is a must for the Huskies. They are currently in the basement, one point back of Alberta, and losing would probably make the position a permanent one.

The Bears' biggest problem in league play this season has been their inability to score. The 61-7 rout of Red Deer a week ago gives an indication the coaches have it licked.

"We picked up some much needed confidence," Smith commented, "and it also gave us a Saturday chance to look at our bench."

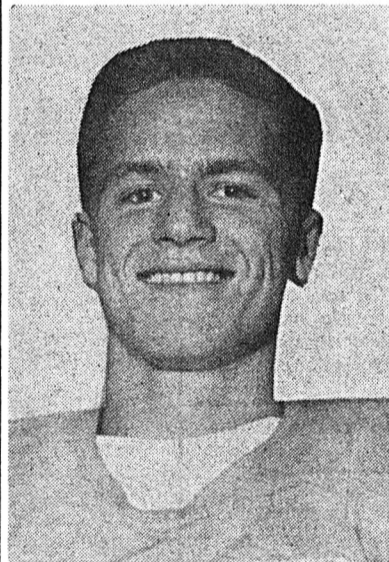
The bench looked good in the Red Deer game and Smith may be draw-



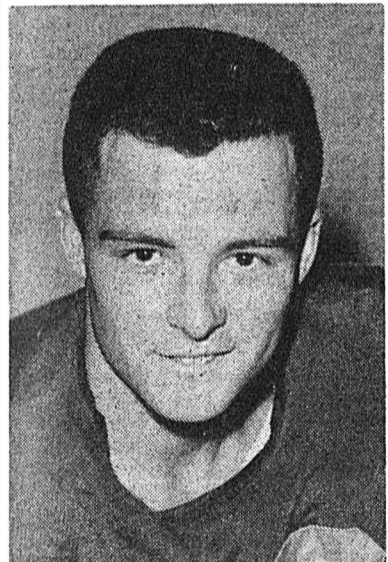
GARY SMITH — (6-0; 160 lbs.; 19 years old; Phys. Ed. 2) Halfback—excellent passer and a team leader, Gary was a sensation in his freshman year. Also starred for Bear basketball team. Native of Edmonton, he starred for the Bonnie Doon Provincial Champs in 1959.

coaches have not seen or heard anything from the big fullback since the BC opener and they are no longer counting on his services. Smith was quick to point out that Angus McGregor has more than adequately filled the gap.

KICKS OFF
E. E. Bishop, 1936 class president, will kick off to open the game.



KEN NIELSEN — (6¾; 170 lbs. 19 years old; Dentistry 2) Halfback—sophomore "find" who shows promise of becoming one of the most dangerous backs in conference. Excellent broken-field runner, and pass receiver. Ken learned his football at Strathcona Composite High School and Coach Smith feels he could develop into real pro material.



MAURY VAN VLIET — (6-2; 195 lbs.; 22 years old; Law 1) End—Third year man who also handles all kicking for the Bears. Starts at right end, also plays corner line-backer. Excellent blocker, plays with great deal of desire. Maury, an all round athlete, is also a starting guard on basketball Bears.

ing from it. Jim Christoff, who has been a tower of strength as line-backer this season, is still hurting from rib injuries suffered two weeks ago in Saskatchewan. Tackle Bill Duncan and middle guard Gary Naylor are doubtful starters due to knee trouble.

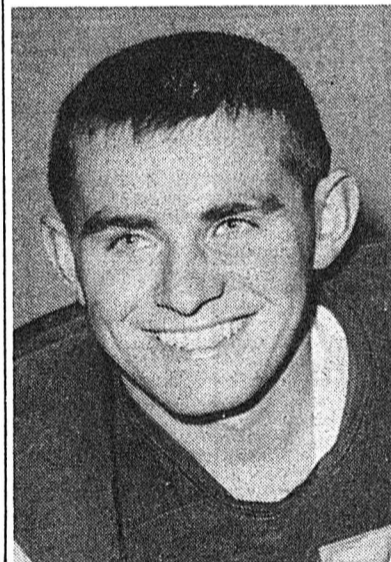
WOEFUL WEST

If this is not enough to worry about, the Bears will have to find a way to defence the flashy Huskies halfback, Dale West. West is a 190 pounder who runs the 100-yard dash in something less than 10 seconds. He scored all three Saskatchewan touchdowns in a 21-21 tie the last time the two squads met. Add 215 pound fullback, Brain Casselman, a former Saskatoon junior league most valuable player and you have a backfield that would give anybody trouble.

Incidentally Ernie Takacs will not be in Bear uniform contrary to circulating opinion. The



BIKING TO CLASS to avoid the parking problem, a bevy of bikers ponders the cycle drag to be held Saturday, October 28. It is hoped that the bicycle shortage will be alleviated, as no horses or dogs will be allowed to enter. The marathon relay race, an new intramural event this year, will feature 200 laps over a one quarter mile course. (Photo by Con Stenton)



TED FRECHETTE — (5-10; 190 lbs.; 21 years old; Eng. 4) Fullback—tough, hard hitting ball-carrier; often described as one of leagues best. Was one of Eskimos' last cuts this year. He does everything well, and was all-star fullback twice in Alberta Junior circles. Teamed with Ernie Takacs, he gives Bears' Bright-Kwong combo.

The University of Saskatchewan band and a band from Alberta will attend Saturday as well as Saskatchewan cheerleaders and a contingent of fans from Saskatchewan. The annual powder puff game will be featured at half time and floats from the morning parade will be on display. Game time is at 2 p.m. at Varsity Grid.

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Mural sports corner

The annual intramural cross country race was run last Saturday under perfect weather conditions.

About 500 runners, a record turnout, completed in the two and one half mile race. There were 401 finishers altogether, 386 of them official.

Men's residence came in first, collecting 27 place points. Their leading runners finished first, fourth, eighth, and fourteenth.

Physical Education came in second, with Delta Kappa Epsilon third. Residence's second four runners came in early enough to give them fourth place in team standings as well.

Winner of the race was Don Zaph, a student at Scona Composite High School. His time was 12:57. Official winner, Don Burfoot, of Residence, finished in 12:59.

The winning team consisted of Burfoot, Wayne Welsh, Gordon Kay, and Jim Doty.

A new intramural event, a 50-mile bicycle race with teams of eight to ten men competing, will be held Saturday, Oct. 28, at 2 p.m.

Each member of a team must ride the bike for at least one revolution during the 200 laps of the race, and changes will be made in special areas or pits designated for each team. All members of a single team will wear similar sweaters to facilitate identification.

Any eight men on campus may form a team, but entries must be submitted to the intramural office, room 150, PEB, by 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26.

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