

Future looks good for Shrine victor

by Alan Small

Among the Middle Eastern music and the fezzes Friday night, there will be a pretty important football game going on at Commonwealth Stadium.

The Shrine Bowl winner of the past two seasons has gone on to make the playoffs in the WFL. This year looks to be the same. If Calgary wins the two-game total point series, they'll be sitting

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pretty for the playoffs; but if the Golden Bears win, it will put them back in the playoff hunt.

Calgary sports a huge, experienced offensive line and a pair of top-notch receivers in Tim Karbonik and All-Canadian split end Dave Brown. Getting them the ball will be sophomore Bob Torrance, who struggled in the Shrine Bowls last year as a rookie, but who has played well early this season.

"He's a really disciplined quarterback," says Bear head coach Jim Donlevy. "He doesn't scramble like Greg Galan. He's a great athlete, who will run planned roll outs."

It was Galan's scrambling ability that gave the Bears fits in their home opener with Saskatchewan. "We lost containment on him. His scrambling bought him some extra time."

Torrance's mobility complements a pretty good arm, which has him ranked third in the conference in passing yards.

"Our league is blessed with talented quarterbacks," lamented Donlevy.

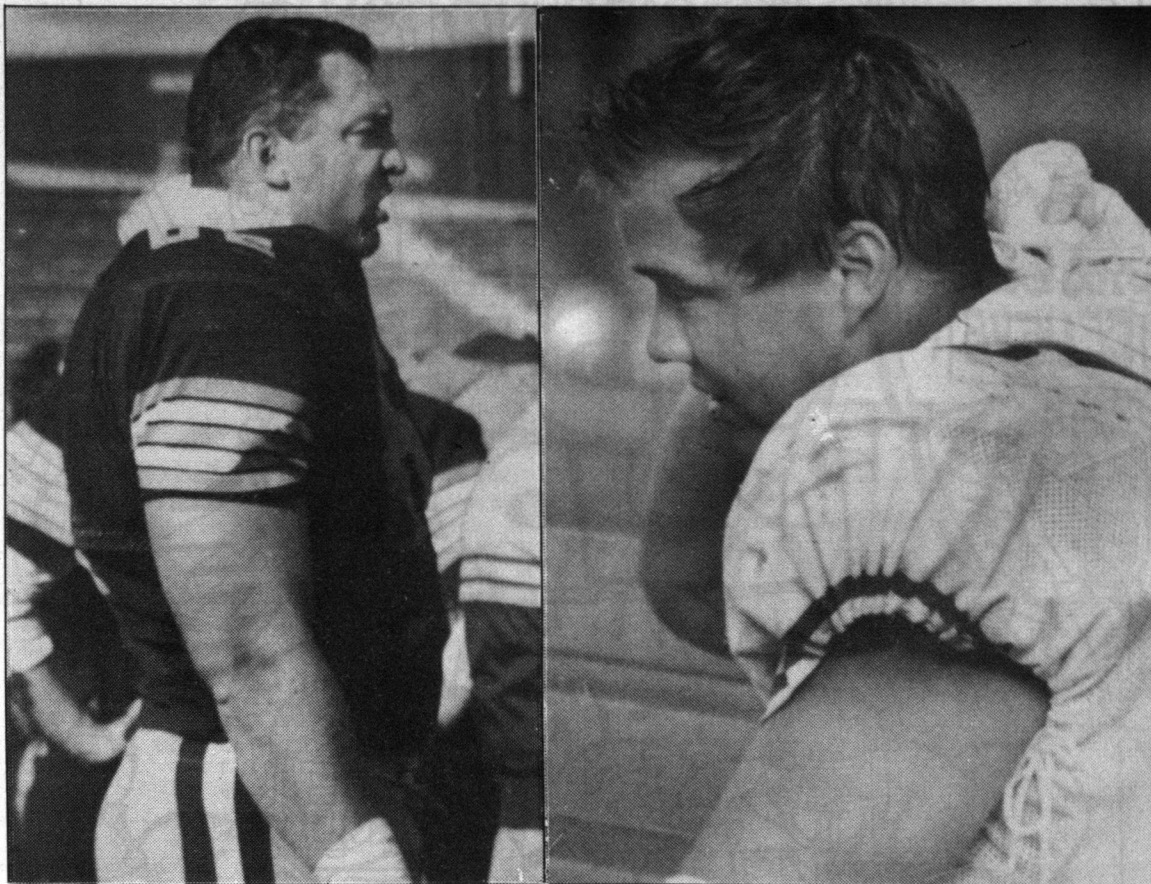
The Dinos also have a strong running game with veterans Rob Zimmerman, Sheldon Cooper, and sophomore J.P. Izquierdo sharing most of the carries that were usually taken by Dino legend Elio Geremia.

"They have a mixed bag," said Donlevy. "That's a hallmark of a Peter Connellan offense."

While the Dinos have a pretty solid offense, the Bears are fine tuning theirs, hoping the mental mistakes of illegal procedures, fumbled snaps, and poor receiving routes will disappear. They certainly have had their share this season.

"I thought the wine was ready at training camp," says connoisseur Donlevy about his youthful offense. "We've been playing in spurts. In this league, that's not good enough."

The Bears offense has been working on the fundamentals in



Shrine battle takes toll

Last year's centers Kelvin Ostapowich (L) of the Bears and Paul Kerber (R) of the Dinos recover on the bench. The rivalry between the clubs leads to a tough, physical Shrine Bowl.

practice all week. This is no time for new wrinkles in an already struggling unit.

"We can't tinker now," says Donlevy. "We just get back to basics."

One thing to look out for is the Bears to use the passing game a little bit more. They had some success with it in the second half against Manitoba in the last out-

ing.

"Our receivers have improved from last year," Donlevy said. "We just have to get the ball to them with some consistency."

Donlevy is impressed with the young offensive line so far, but says there is still plenty of room to improve. Unfortunately, most of it comes with time.

"The value of an experienced

offensive line is immeasurable," he said. "One lineman has to have the confidence in the others to do their job. You have to know whether you are going to block one man or whether someone else will."

The Bears will be hoping that the line can get that part of the game down; there isn't any more time for lessons. The big test is against Calgary Friday at 7pm.

Second chance for hoop star

by Alan Small

Golden Bear basketball player Rick Stanley, who was suspended from playing basketball for the U of A this year due to poor grades is getting another chance to prove himself.

He will be able to attend classes and play in some games this fall for the Golden Bears. He will not be permitted to play in road games before Christmas, but U of A basketball coach Don Horwood is not even sure about that.

"We haven't decided if he'll play in the first semester or not," says Horwood. "The most important thing for him now is his academics."

"He's pretty scared now, because it's do or die for him."

Stanley, a 6'8" post, had an outstanding rookie year last year, culminating in the CIAU freshman of the year honors.

In 22 Canada West games last season, Stanley averaged 13 points per game and grabbed 5.8 rebounds. His most memorable game from last year was a 32 point effort over the Calgary Dinosaurs, which lifted the Golden Bears into the conference semifinals. They eventually lost in two straight games to the Victoria Vikings, the Canada West Champions.

"He'll be sticking with his studies for the first part of this

year," said Horwood, "but the media putting pressure on him doesn't make it any easier. Lots of students get back in on an appeal."

Stanley's presence alone will help the Bears. The pressure of

his loss put on the other basketball players may have caused some problems.

"We'll be doing whatever's the best for Rick," said Horwood.

Fine pass rush gets fine tuning

by Alan Small

The Bear defence has been a bright spot for the Bears this season. But in football, that spot can always be brighter.

The defensive line is shifting around to improve an already good pass rush. All-Canadian defensive end Brent Korte moves from quick end (short side of field) to rush end, while Rick Medcke moves from the nose to Korte's old spot. Playing at the nose tackle will be Jim Clelland and Mike Buhler moves to the strong end spot. Rush end Jim Toomey moves back to linebacker.

"Moving the big guy to nose tackle and Ferris (Buhler) to strong end gives the line a little more meat," says Medcke. "I also won't get doubled as much now that I'm

at quick. It's mainly one-on-one."

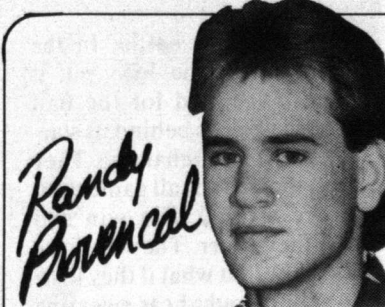
Head coach Jim Donlevy and defensive coordinator Dan Syrotuik didn't make the change because of a lack of a pass rush. Matter of fact, the pass rush has been more than adequate for the Bears.

"Against UBC we had a lot of heat on Gagner," said Donlevy. "All the change is a bit of fine tuning."

The change also moves Jim Toomey to an already deep corps of linebackers, all of which have played well and hit hard in the season.

"The difference between starting and backing up is very little," says linebacker Jeff Tobert. "Mark (Singer) and Len (Sawatzky) are both playing well right now."

"As a unit, we are very solid."



It takes a tremendous amount of inwardly-drawn courage and gut determination to be successful in the Olympic Games.

What, with your country's honor on the line, your honor on the line, and each attempt at a gold medal being a once-in-a-lifetime shot, it's no wonder that Olympic athletes dig deep within themselves to put forth their best effort ever.

This is more than evident in Seoul.

Topping off the list for courage is U.S.'s Greg Louganis. After cracking his head open on a diving board in springboard competition, requiring four stitches, the twice gold in '84 diver came back to win the gold medal — including a performance of the same dive he injured himself on the day before, this time receiving 8's and 9's.

On Monday night the Canadian basketball team showed it had heart and proved to the world it wasn't the pushover Brazil made them appear by fighting the Americans hard, only to come up on the short end of a 76-70 final score.

True, the Canucks didn't win the game. But they overcame great odds — something like a 20 or 30 point spread — to make the match a lot closer than it should have been.

Young Kwon Tae Ho of Korea fought off a leg injury from a previous match to claim the gold medal in Tae Kwon Do, a demonstration sport at this year's Olympics.

In the Gold medal round, Ho could utilize only one leg for kicking, but still defeated his American counterpart.

Naim Suleymanoglu — the Pocket Hercules — of Turkey, accepted the challenge of lifting three times his own weight, and did so — three consecutive times!

The featherweight weightlifter broke six world records in the clean and jerk, lifting on his final attempt 190 kg or 418 lbs.

And finally, the most daring and courageous performance at the games so far: the two doves who wanted a front row seat for the torch lighting at the opening ceremonies.

Doves be nimble, doves be quick. Doves fly over the torch that's being lit. They did and as a consequence, "disappeared".

There's a fine line between bravery and stupidity.

That moment alone almost makes all the hoopla and hype the Olympics demand worthwhile.