

Underdog Eskimos Enter Finals With Poor Showing

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EDMONTON (CP) — Edmonton Eskimos will enter the Grey Cup as probably the lowest western conference underdogs in many a moon.

Eskimos, who clash with the powerful Montreal Alouettes in the national football final at Toronto Saturday, have enough injuries and statistical flaws to warrant confident betting from Big Four enthusiasts.

They barely topped the Western Interprovincial Football Union while finishing at the bottom of the five-team, 16-game statistical heap in yards passing (1,708); first downs on passing (69); yards on kickoff returns (688); average kickoff return (19.6 yard); total yards on punts returns (742) and average punt return (6.1 yards).

PASS-COMPLETIONS POOR

Their pass-completion average of 19.2 per cent was only third-best during the regular season schedule and their eight meagre touchdowns passes topped only the lowly British Columbia Lions, who won one game.

Against pass - happy Montreal quarterback Sam Etcheberry, who racked up 434 yards through the

air in beating Hamilton Tiger-Cats in the Big Four finals Saturday, Eskimo don't seem too promising as the team to return with the WIFU's first Grey Cup since 1948. Calgary Stampeders won it that year.

But Eskimo coach Frank (Pop) Ivy might have the last laugh. Most of the figures cover a period when the former Oklahoman was charging his injury-plagued squad through modest use of the split-T, the club's most outstanding offensive feature.

ANOTHER SET

Ivy beams on his own sheet of the statistics, where it shows his club topping the following departments: Times carried in rushing (575); total yardage rushing (3,119); first downs rushing (169—a WIFU record); touchdowns (37—only 22 were scored against Edmonton); and converts (37—a conference percentage record — with only 14 against).

"The Eskimos have won every game this year they have absolutely had to win. The Grey Cup is such a game. They showed against Winnipeg they can play outstanding team football. I think they'll do it Saturday."

Permits Strasser To Return to Germany

BONN, (AP)—The West German government announced today that Otto Strasser, one of Hitler's earliest followers, will be permitted to return to Germany.

In a special announcement, the government said the decision of the Supreme Court that Strasser is entitled to full restoration to civil German rights has removed the last obstacle to his return home from Canada. He has been living for some years at Paradise, N. S.

The court overruled the federal interior ministry which had rejected Strasser's application for citizenship on the grounds that his return to West Germany would involve a "risk to the constitution."

Otto and his brother Gregor Strasser joined the Nazi party in 1925. Otto was a leading writer on the Volkischer Beobachter, newspaper of Nazi propaganda chief Paul Josef Goebbels. In 1930 the Strassers broke with Hitler and founded the rival Black Front organization.

When Hitler came to power, Otto fled to Canada and Gregor was killed in the 1934 purge. Hitler stripped Otto of his citizenship in 1933 for political offences against Nazi Germany.

A cat's jaw, unlike that of a dog, moves only up and down, not sideways.

Charlottetown Sailor On Training Cruise



A training cruise - - with an accent on the training. That's what 762 officers and men in HMCS Quebec are finding as the 8,000-ton cruiser gets well into a seven-week, activity-filled program which has taken the ship to West Indies and South American waters. She is due to return to Halifax December 5.

Keeping track of course being followed by other ships in the immediate vicinity is important. Here, keeping the plot, are Ldg. Sea. Bert McGuigan, of Charlottetown, P.E.I., left, and Ldg. Sea. John Manchip, of Montreal.

(National Defence Photo)

Planning Biggest And Best Grey Cup Weekend

TORONTO, (CP)—This year's Grey Cup weekend, a football-flavored Mardi Gras, shaped up Monday night as the biggest and best of these annual handshakes between east and west.

"We're pulling out all stops to make the show the best yet," said a confidential official of the Toronto junior board of trade which promotes the celebration to foster east-west goodwill.

"We've had six committees working since last Christmas on this and things are just about complete."

The celebration before and after the east-west football game has been an annual affair since 1948 when supporters of Calgary Stampeders stormed into the city and staged a parade that startled staid Toronto. They cooked flapjacks on the streets, rode around on chuck-wagons and even put Toronto's mayor on a horse.

Then they capped it by up-

Leaving Washing On Line A Mistake

NORTH BAY, Ont. (CP)—Leaving the washing on the line overnight is a mistake which three students learned the hard way in the last two days.

Mrs. G. Edgar lost between \$67 and \$75 worth of clothing when the line was cut and all the washing stolen.

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LONDON (CP)—R. A. Butler, chancellor of the exchequer, told the House of Commons Tuesday that only one contract has been offered in connection with the St. Lawrence seaway project, and "that was awarded to a Canadian firm."

The chancellor said however that approval had been given for a number of British contractors and civil engineering firms to establish subsidiaries in Canada. These would "no doubt" tender for contracts when the time came.

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The first annual meeting of the newly formed organization was held in October 1950 at which a permanent board of directors was appointed to replace the provincial directors who had been operating

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held in Charlottetown. At this meeting many applications from merchants in Queens and Kings Counties were considered and many new members were added to the organization. This increased the already substantial purchasing power and makes possible greater savings for firms and customers. The R. M. A. will have an ad in this paper at least once a month, applicable to those stores participating in the advertising.



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