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DULUTH--a 215-pound, 6 ft. 1 in. lineman who likes Shakespeare's sonnets almost as much as he likes rugged action on the football field has bolstered the UMD line corps this season.

Harry LaRose, a transfer from St. John's university and a Cloquet native, admits that the sonnets will have to take second place this week as he prepares with his mates to do gridiron battle against his alma mater.

The Johnnies meet the Bulldogs, 1-1 in the MIAC, at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Duluth Public School Stadium.

LaRose, an English major who champions good English whatever the occasion or environment, might take offense at the term "shook up," the ungrammatical yet descriptive phrase that might well have been inspired by the jarring contact of football.

But in Bulldog action to date he has demonstrated that he can give the phrase a good physical definition, even though he might shy away from its poor grammar.

One-quarter Chippewa, LaRose flashes a bright smile readily as he talks about his pet peeve--"lazy language."

"It's just a bad habit people develop. Actually good English requires no more energy than does poor English."

All-conference selection at St. John's academy under Coach Chubby Ebnet and at St. John's university under Coach John Gagliardi, LaRose has tried his own hand at literary creation.

"Nothing published," he laughs, "But I like to put words together to see if something original, or at least interesting, comes out."

The Sawyer lineman, who switches between guard, tackle and center, likely will always be interested personally in literature and English.

Professionally, law is his primary interest. But he is sure English and literature will serve him in good stead there too.

"If any profession requires use of good English, it is law," he suggests. "One has to use the language correctly and effectively to be a good attorney. "

Of LaRose's playing at UMD, Head Football Coach Lloyd W. Peterson this week had this to say:

"He shows he has had a lot of experience. He is well versed in fundamentals, and he likes action. He could help us a lot in the 1957 campaign."