# TIGER TALES

## by Joel Jacobson

#### RULES ARE NOT MADE TO BE BROKEN

The Nova Scotia Intercollegiate Basketball League has seen the best player in its history barred from further play. It was declared late last week that Warren Sutton, star performer with the Acadia Axemen, had used his four years of intercollegiate eligibility. The six-foot four-inch standout played two full seasons at Alfred College, a small school 70 miles south of Rochester, New York, and performed for one-half of one game in a third season before dropping out of school. Last year, he played the complete schedule with Acadia and

thus finished his four year intercollegiate career. It's a shame that this had to happen to such a fine athlete. Sut-ton has done wonders for the NSIBL and for basketball in general in the local area. Because of him, and ONLY because of him, Acadia now has (had) a powerhouse basketball quintet. Because of Sutton and partially the rest of the Axemen, the Bluenose was initiated and has proven to be a success in its two years of operation. If it were not for Sutton, Acadia would not have built such a splendid ball club and the NSIBL would have had no team that would have been able to compete favorably with top small college from the U.S. This takes little away from the other nine Axemen or coach Stu

Aberdeen but we are sure they will readily admit that without Sutton, Acadia is just another basketball team capable of being beaten by any other team in the league on any given night.

### WHO PUSHED THE PANIC BUTTON?

From stories we have heard from reliable sources, the coach of a New Brunswick school started the big rumble. A Nova Scotia school picked up the cue and investigated. They found the aforementioned facts and the Legend of Warren Sutton in N.S. Basketball (intercollegiate-wise) has ended. We do not feel sorry for Acadia for they are still the team to beat; we will shed no tears for Aberdeen because he has the backing to bring Wilt Chamberlain to Acadia for post grad work next fall.

There are those who do suffer, however; Sutton, of course, because he loses the opportunity to play basketball; the fans, because they lose the opportunity to see Wondrous Warren in action; the pro-moters — in this case the universities of the NSIBL — because they lose the number one drawing cond (otherwork this case they lose the number one drawing card (although this could be a blessing in disguise because the fans may be lured by the prospects of close games.)

### IT'S A LONG WAY TO - -

Aberdeen has been quoted as saying that "loss of a year can mean a great deal to Sutton personally as he is definitely professional material. "At the moment, this seems a bit far-fetched. True, Sutton is the greatest basketball player to set foot on a Nova Scotia court. But from what we viewed during Christmas vacation, Sutton is a long way from playing pro ball. We saw three NBA doublehead-ers and Sutton, in his present form, would have difficulty making any of the 11-man rosters. Maybe we haven't seen him at his peak (one always plays better in better company) but Sutton needs plenty of work before making the jump to the NBA.

#### -- THE NBA

We saw Bill Russell vs. Wilt Chamberlain in one game during the recess and those fellows would foul out in the NSIBL within five minutes of the first half. It is truly rugged, titanic struggle as the two giants push and hold and shove and elbow in an effort to obtain the best position under the boards. The referees let them get away with murder. Russell (6-10) picked up three quick fouls in the first quarter and was able to do nothing but watch as Chamberlain (7-2) stuffed the ball (from at least two feet above the rim) ten times in the first half. In the fourth quarter, with Boston trailing Philadel-phia by four points, Russell decided it was now or never. Despite five personal fouls (six is the limit in the NBA) Big Bill blocked a couple of Wilt's fade away jumpers, rebounded like a demon and even stuffed a couple of his own.

## THE BEST GAME WE HAVE EVER SEEN

This game was by far the best we have ever seen. The Celtics trailed by two points with five seconds to play having taken over possession when Guy Rodgers of the Warriors failed to get the ball over the center line within the required ten seconds. The pass went to Sam Jones who fumbled it, picked it up, dribbled to the head of the key and fired a long jumper. As the ball started its downward flight the buzzer sounded. The ball went through the cords and 9525 fans in Convention Hall, Philadelphia groaned. Two cheered like crazy — yours truly and Al Cohen (Science 3) the other half of the Celtic contingent in Philly, Boston and New York. In overtime, Russell held Chamberlain to nil (he finished with only 41 points, 13 in the second half) and Sam Jones and Tom Heinsohn kill-ed the Warriors with their scoring prowess. Sam had 36 points and Heinsohn 27. Final score - Celts 116 Phila 111.

WILT, - - -- - THE MOST IMPRESSIVE PLAYER Even with his 7-2. Will



Shown above is the Dalhousie Hockey team, one of the bright spots on the university sports scene during 1961, and promises to continue to be in 1962.

# sixth game

by defeating the St. Mary's Hus-kies 4 - 3. The game was rough and hard fought with thirteen penalties being handed out. Dal's play was ragged at times and the Huskies improved over their first game with the Tigers, made the game close.

The conduct of the fans on both sides left much to be desired but especially on the part of the home team.

St. Mary's opened the scoring at 44 seconds of the first period when Dave Comeau scored on a thirty foot back-hand shot.

Cameron evened the score for Dal when he tipped in Buntain's sharp angled shot.

The first period contained the majority of the penalties, as sev-

Inter-fac Hockey Schedule

Jan. 6 -- Meds vs Kings 2:30-3:30

Jan. 8 -- P & Ed. vs A & S 1:00 -2:00

Jan. 9 -- Eng. vs Law 6:00-7:00 Comm. vs. P & Ed. 1:00-2:00 Nite -- Dents vs A & S 600-7:00 Law vs Meds 7:00-8:00 Jan. 15 -- Comm vs A & S 1:00

-2:00

Jan. 16 Dents vs P & Ed 6:00-7:00 Jan. 18 -- Law vs Kings 1:00-2:00 Jan. 20 -- Meds vs Eng. 2:30-3:30 Jan. 22 - P & Ed vs Comm 1:00 -2:00

Jan. 23 -- Eng vs Kings 6:00-7:00 Jan. 25- A & S vs Comm 1:00 -2:00 Jan. 27 - Dents vs Comm. 2:30-3:30 Jan. 29 A & S vs Comm 1:00-2:00 Jan. 30 Kings vs Meds 6:00-7:00

Dalhousie Tigers increased their en were handed out — six to the Atlantic Hockey Conference lead Huskies and one to Dal. Play in the first period was fairly even, as evidenced by the shots on goal, Dal having seven, St. Mary's six. The first period score

was 1 - 1. Frank Sim gave the Tigers the lead in the second period on a pic-

ture goal after being set up by defenseman Roy Velemirovich. Vaughn Briggs gave Dal a 3 - 1 lead scoring on Bob Ferguson's rebound after a scramble in front of the SMU net.

Briggs netted his second goal of the period when he scored on a pass from Gilles. This gave the Tigers a 4 - 1 lead. There was no further scoring in the period. Again the shots on net were even, Dal taking a 10 - 9 edge over their rivals.

St. Mary's picked up two penalties to Dal's one during the period.

In the third period the Huskies came alive carrying the play to Dalhousie. The Tigers were saved many times in this frame by the outstanding play of goalie George MacDonald.

The only scoring during the period was by St. Marys as they outscored the Tigers 2 - 0.

Cooper scored for St. Marys at 8:51 as he slid the puck past MacDonald. Dean got the assist. An injury to St. Mary's goalie Cashen delayed the game and shortly after this St. Marys again beat MacDonald as Nagle's shot

was deflected into the net. Assists went to Montague and Cooper. The Huskies outshot Dal 10 in the third period, and in the game 25 to 24.

The game was witnessed by Dal's Forum.

## J.V. Hockey **To Begin**

The Junior Varsity hockey team will begin practices on January 9 from 7:00 to 8:00 at the Dal rink. All those interested in trying out for the team should report to Dewill Dargie or other coaches at this time.

The J. V.'s will play four and possibly five games over the sea-son. Opposition will be mainly comprised of exhibition games against local teams. One game is to be against the reported R.C.M.P.

Other early practices will be held on January 13 at 2:30 and January 16 at 7:00.

## Are Your a Good Sport?

This being the first issue of the new year it would be a good time to call to the attention of the Dalhousie students the Code of sportmanship printed in the Dal direct-ory and reprinted below. Both those participating in and those who are spectators may learn something from these simple points. Recalling 1961 one re-members many incidents where these rules could have been observed. In many cases it was not those participating but rather those watching who caused several rather unseemly incidents which could only reflect on the sportsmanship of the students

themselves. Generally those participating have shown admirable restraint against teams not quite so gentlemanly

Although we do not have to im-prove as much as some other of the local Universities let us not degenerate to that level, to the level where we have to be watched and forced to be good sports. This only causes the supposedly mature university student to be treat-

ed as a juvenile. The Dalhousie Code of Sportsmanship is as follows: A true sportsman: 1. Will consided all opponents as

guests and treat them with all of the courtesy due friends and

2. Will accept all decisions of officials without question. 3. Will never hiss or boo a play-

er or official. 4. Will never utter abusive or irritating remarks from sidelines. 5. Will applaud players who make good plays or show good sportsmanship.

6. Will never attempt to rattle an opposing player, such as a play-er attempting a free throw in basketball.

7. Will seek to win by fair and lawful means, according to the rules of the game.

8. Will love the game for its own sake and not for what win-

ning may bring. 9. Will "do unto others as he would have them do unto him." 10 Will "win without boasting and lose without excuses."

biggest home crowd of the season. The tigers next game is on Wednesday night when they meet Stadacona Sailors at the Halifax

s the impressive player we saw in the six games involving Boston, Philadelphia, New York, Cincinnati, Los Angeles and Syracuse. When we saw him the first time, Chamberlain gave all appearances of being a goon who piled up his points (49.1 per game) on garbage which consists of tip-ins, and easy layups (laydowns in his case) that even the worst player couldn't miss. However, that first game proved how wrong we were. He scored 51 points against Syracuse and at least 15 of his 21 field goals were scored on fall away jump shots — taken off balance and with a defender leaning all over him. He is a great rebounder and takes the most punishment of anyone in the league as he is often double and triple-teamed.

BACKCOURT STARS The best guard we saw was Richie Guerin of the New York Knickerbockers who scored 33 points against each of Boston and Cincinnati. He is only 6-4 but was moving into the pivot against 6-10 centers and hooking over them left and right. He had a great variety of shots and rebounded against all the big men. Sam Jones of the Celtics was tremendously fast and is probably among the top five guards in the league along with Bob Cousy, Jerry West, Oscar Robertson and Guerin.

Cousy, of course, is still great but has slowed down a mile. How-ever, don't tell this to the Los Angeles Lakers and Elgin Baylor for the Cooz almost beat them singlehandedly as he scored 16 points in six minutes period to give the Celts an insurmountable lead in a 129-117 victory. He dribbles and passes like a wizard (as well as being a dead eye shot) and on a one-on-one situation, his defender has no chance. On one play that really sticks out, Cooz went in on Guerin dribbling right-handed. Guerin was backpeddling toward the basket and the Cooz feinted straight ahead, dribbled behind his back, picked off the ball with his left hand and leid it in The Madison Square off the ball with his left hand and laid it in. The Madison Square Garden crowd, paced by Cohen and Jacobson, almost raised the roof.

Somehow it would be difficult to picture Sutton in company like this even though he is one heck of a ball player. He would be a guard in the NBA but his shooting, dribbling, passing and defending would need quite a bit of improvement.

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