

GIRL'S SPORTS

TEMPUS FUGIT

Perhaps, as you sit in the canteen, a cup of murky, black coffee in hand and perhaps one of Mr. Atwood's delicious, nutritious jam sandwiches; you too, visualize a Christmas dinner twelve short days away and are also struck by the fact that first term is almost ended and that Christmas vacation is again almost upon us. In retrospect it also seems hard to believe that already Dalhousie has been represented on the Varsity level in girls groundhockey, tennis, volleyball and that the DGAC has completed its fall program.

Groundhockey— a beginning and end

When Dalhousie's prospects for next year are considered in girls groundhockey, only a sincere optimism can be felt. Coach Iris Bliss, this year molded a team almost entirely drawn from the freshettes with the exception of few outstanding returnees; namely Dorothy Woodhouse, Jean Hat-tie and Joyce Smith. The team began relatively inexperienced, improved with each game—their continuing determination and spirit can be likened to last game against Kings—the team scored their only goals of the season and recorded their first and only win of the season. It is hoped this game will be both a beginning and an end, for the majority of the girls will be returning next year and the team should reveal its true potential, perhaps only present in the final game this year.

Tennis— Dal Girls Tie for Title

At the end of October, Dal hosted the Inter-Collegiate Tennis Tourney. Ginny LeQuense, again this year led the Dal girls team, with steady brilliance she captured the singles crown. While Ann Suydam and Lena Messler representing Dal in the doubles, defeated Kings to place second to UNB. In team totals the Dal girls

team tied with UNB for the title; this win represented Dal's only championship in girls sport this fall.

Volleyball— Anti-Apathy Forever

Two short weeks ago, the Dal girls Volleyball team travelled to Mt. Allison for the Annual Inter-Collegiate Girls Volleyball Tourney. In team standings, the team tied for third place with Acadia, putting in an excellent showing, especially in their defeat of UNB. The team, led by captain Lena Messler exploded the myth of Dalhousie apathy becoming unanimously declared the most spirited team present at the tourney.

DGAC— From Volleyball To Folk Dancing

Under the leadership of president Eleanor Bainbridge; this fall DGAC emerged in a new dimension. With perhaps the most ambitious program in its history, DGAC sponsored a volleyball clinic, a volleyball inter-mural tournament, trampoline instruction, a ping pong tournament, recreational swimming and folk dancing. Because DGAC is important and is well planned it is hoped that more girls will take advantage of the program after Christmas. Plan to attend, the first three weeks will be devoted to a basketball clinic and tournament.

Before closing I would like to thank several girls for their help during this term, first of all Dorothy Woodhouse who has really been invaluable throughout, along with Jean Harlow, Secretary-Treasurer of DGAC, Janet Young, Assist. Girls Sports Editor, and Eleanor Bainbridge, Pres. of DGAC. I would also like to express my appreciation for the invaluable assistance, ideas and co-operation supplied at all times by Girls Athletic Director, Iri Bliss.



Last year's championship team in action. This year with no returnees, Coach Iris Bliss will be faced with molding an entirely new team to defend the championship.

Girl's Varsity Basketball Underway

Varsity Basketball started last week but hardly with a bang rather more of a frizzle. Miss Bliss is very disappointed in the turn-out at the practices, there are seven returnees from last year's Intermediate Team: Jill Rowan-Legg, Jim Ash, Sigi Frøhagen, Heather Grant, Linda Stoker, Eleanor Bainbridge and Heather Sanderson. These girls will probably make up the nucleus of this year's varsity team. A number of freshettes have turned out and Miss Bliss is encouraged by their interest, however the number is small compared to the number of girls registered at Dal.

Practices have been vigorous with the emphasis placed on conditioning. The girls have been practicing to improve their ball

handling, body control, passing, feinting and shooting.

Dalhousie, in the past has entered two teams in intercollegiate competition: an Intercollegiate Varsity team which plays home and away games with Mt. A., U.N.B., and Acadia; and an Intermediate Team which plays in the city league and also participates in an Intercollegiate Junior Varsity Tournament held at a different university every year. This year Dalhousie is the host for the J.V. Tournament so it is even more imperative that Dal have an intermediate team. However, is there are only enough girls for one team, it will be a Varsity team.

Practices in the new Year will begin on Thursday, January 3rd

at 5:30. Another practice will be held Friday, January 4th before regular practices begin 3 times each week. A Invitational Tournament is to be held at Mt. Allison University on January 18th and 19th and the first Intercollegiate game is scheduled for January 26th at U.N.B.

Last year the Dal Varsity squad won the Maritime Intercollegiate title, defeating U.N.B. in a hard fought unforgettable game. These girls were tremendous but not one of them can play this year as it is up to every girl at Dal to provide a team which will attempt to equal last year's record. These are big shoes to fill, but statistics show that women's feet are getting larger every year.

COMPETITIVE SWIMMING KEEN RESPONSE SHOWN

The Dal girls swimming team came into being on December 4th at 7:00 a.m. It was decided at this meeting that regular practices would be held at the YMCA pool on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:00 to 8:00, under the coaching of Mr. Gowie. These practices will be augmented by dry land workouts designed to help the swimmers get into shape.

The girls competitive swimming team will be working out from

now until March; at which time the team will enter an intercollegiate swim meet to be held at Mt. Allison University in Sackville.

A great deal of credit should be given to the Co-operation and participation of Mr. Gowie in this program. It is hoped that if any students on campus, are interested and as yet have not turned out that they will turn out after the Christmas vacation.

D.G.A.C. INTERMURAL BASKETBALL

For all you who want exercise without hard work here's your answer — DGAC is holding an Intermural Basketball Clinic on the first DGAC night after Christmas — Monday, January 7th at 8:00 p.m. This clinic is strictly for the fun and preparation for the Intermural Tournament to follow. It will be conducted by Miss Iris Bliss, the Women's Athletic Director, who is an excellent basketball player herself and a top-notch coach.

The Intermural Tournament will be held starting January 14th and continuing on Monday nights until all the games are played. It will be a double round robin affair with the teams playing each other twice. Although the tournament last year was not entirely successful due to the lack of numbers, those who did take part had a very enjoyable time. There is a team for everyone to play on since Nursing, Pharmacy, Education, Kings Residence and Freshettes, Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors of Arts and Science — Commerce will all enter teams. If you are interested in having fun and perhaps losing some weight but didn't have the ambition to play Varsity Basketball come out and play Intermural Basketball. It's great!

Contact your representatives—

- Nursing, Rosella Boudreau, 423-4775
- Education, Niomi Smith, 423-4487
- Pharmacy, Jane Williams, 423-4775
- Kings Residence, Ann Paton, 423-8088
- Arts-Science-Commerce Freshette, Sue Moir, 423-9746
- Sophomore, Connie Cook, 422-5700
- Juniors, Sigi Frøhagen, 454-7400
- Senior, Ellen Matheson, 423-9746

Two outstanding Canadian university students, Harry Jerome and Bruce Kidd, participated recently in the British Empire games held in Perth, Australia. Kidd, a University of Toronto sophomore, coped the six mile race in record time. Kidd, however, was forced to drop out of the 26 mile marathon race.

Jerome, a Victoria, B.C. negro, is co-holder of the world's record for the hundred yard dash. He left Australia before the Games were completed to have a leg operation. His performances, on and off the track, have stirred up much controversy.

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