

Playoff bowl in Maritimes

Change method of selection

Football would get more TV cover

Difficult to choose a national champion

Urges more college grid bowls across Canada

I realize that this is a little out of season but there are a few things which should be commented on, before Canadian Inter-collegiate Football gets underway next year.

It is time to start thinking about the college bowl situation.

At present there is only one college bowl being held in Canada; that is the Canadian College Bowl held at Varsity Stadium in Toronto.

There should be three more bowl games. There should be one in the west, another in central Canada, and a third in the Maritimes.

This year, the selection of St. F.X. and Waterloo Lutheran University, caused a lot of bad feelings not only in Ontario but all over the country. Rightly or wrongly people had come to feel that the Canadian College Bowl was supposed to be emblematic of the Canadian Championship and without Queen's or British

Columbia this game would not produce a Canadian Champion.

These people are wrong about the game ever being billed as emblematic of the Canadian Championship but are right about one thing - the assumption that this game would bring about a great dispute.

Two major criticisms raised about the Canadian College Bowl are: (1) It can never be a true Canadian championship; (2) the selection method now employed must be changed or else bitter feelings will always mar the College Bowl and maybe even destroy it.

These problems can easily be solved by the holding of more bowls and the changing of the selection method for the College Bowl. By the holding of more bowls, the people who run the Canadian College Bowl could set up a definite schedule for conferences to appear in it.

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the fear of a definite schedule for the College Bowl - that the teams in those conferences participating, would stack and raid in order to build up a College Bowl contender - would be alleviated.

Believe it or not, it is the press which determines national championship labels in sports which cannot because of size, hold far-reaching playoffs to determine true national champions. For example, in college football.

In the United States the press declares which Bowl is the U.S. Championship Bowl and each year it switches depending on which teams have shown the best performances in regular conference play. This year, for example, there was no U.S. Championship Bowl because the two top teams Notre Dame and Michigan could not take part.

So too, in Canada, with more bowls to choose from the press would switch its Canadian Cham-



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ampionship label from bowl to bowl, from year to year, depending on each team's performance. Thus, no more than the usual recruiting tactics would have to be employed because the winning of your conference would get you into some bowl. The press would then take over and no complaint could be raised that you had no chance to establish yourself as

Canadian Champions. Of course, it is really impossible, as it is in the USA, to declare a national winner because it is impossible to have playoffs. But the establishment of two or three more bowls would go a long way in eliminating any further chance of the situation which existed this year in which two of the best teams

in Canada had no chance whatsoever to prove whether they were the Press National Champions by playing non-conference competition in a crucial bowl game.

The Football Press should be polled by the Canadian Press as it is in the States, and asked to cast votes for the National Champion.

These votes could be cast with more wisdom, if all the conference champions got to play non-conference competition in a crucial bowl game.

Now, those who argue against such a proposition of more bowls have two main arguments: (1) financing; (2) the Canadian College Bowl will lose its prestige.

Concerning financing - there is no reason why the CIAU cannot sell at least two bowls to Canadian Television each year. One would go to CTV and the other to CBC. And I mean sell, not give, as they did this year.

If the CIAU cannot sell these games and get enough revenue to cover most of the expenses of all four bowl games then there is something wrong with the CIAU executives and they should be replaced.

The CIAU, if the "football partnership" of CBC and CTV is causing them trouble in selling, should cry louder and harder and exert more pressure in breaking up this union so that competition between the two networks will enable the sale of the rights of the two bowl games to the networks for a good profit.

Also "financing" never hurt the old Atlantic Bowl and if we could break even with only 6,000 fans, things can still break even today.

As for prestige - it has not happened to the granddaddy of American Bowls (the Rose Bowl) and so it does not have to happen here. If you're still worried, then make sure it is one of the bowls which is always televised each

year. Concerning the scheduling of bowls; the Canadian College Bowl, should be scheduled first for a five year period (i.e. through 1972). Then the others. Bowl committees should sit down and work out a schedule for the other bowls.

One further advantage to having more bowls is that in a couple of cases each year the second place team in a conference would get a chance at participation in a Bowl and this would add to keener competition in the conferences concerned.

So, having more bowls on the Canadian scene can only aid the Canadian College Bowl and it can go a long way in gaining more public interest in Canadian Inter-collegiate Football.

Failing that, let's push for them at the CIAU meetings in March! Failing that, let's form a Blue-nose Bowl in the Maritimes anyway and show that such a proposition can work.

Varsity swimmers split meets in weekend splash

The Dalhousie Swimming Team travelled to UNB last Friday night where it defeated the UNB Beavers 123-121. It was the first defeat from UNB in its home pool in 21 years.

The Tigers won their section 71-51 while the Tigerbelles lost theirs 70-52. However again, the small number of Tigerbelles was the reason for the girls' loss. In many events, they could only enter one individual or team.

On the Men's side, here is the story: The Medley Relay Team composed of Doug MacMichael - backstroke, Rob Murray - breaststroke, Lee Kirby - butterfly and Rob McGrail - free style won its event. The Free Style Relay Team composed of Doug MacMichael, Gordie MacMichael, Jeff Smith and Rob McGrail won its event.

In the 100 yard Backstroke, Doug came first and his brother Gordie second. In the 200 Backstroke, Gordie took first spot and "tiny" brother, Doug, followed him in, in second.

Rob Murray captured the 100 and 200 breaststroke events. Lee Kirby set a new MIAA record for the 200 Butterfly in winning that event. Lee came second in the 100 Fly.

Bob McGrail and Jeff Smith came first and third respectively in both the 60 and 100 yard Free style events. Jim Maybe came second in both the 200 and 500 yard Free Style events. Gordie MacMichael captured the individual Medley event, and Eric Patrick took second place in the diving events.

Turning to the Tigerbelles: The Medley Relay team of Olenka Gordadowska, Cathy Cox, Terry Keddy and Ginny Tatam came second in its event. In the Free Style Relay there were two Dalhousie teams: Team A of Lois Hare, Olenka Gordadowska, Terry Keddy, and Ginny Tatam came second and Team B of Cathy Cox, Sara Smith, Peggy Scannel and Gail Woodbury came third. In the 60 yard backstroke, Olenka came first and Cathy Cox came third.

In the 60 and 100 yard Breaststroke events, Cathy came third. In the 60 Butterfly, Terry Keddy arrived first and Lois Hare, third. In the 100 Butterfly, Lois came first.

In the 100 Free Style, Terry came first, and Ginny Tatam, second. In the 200 Free, Lois came second and Sue Etienne touched third. In the 400 Free, Ginny came third.

Olenka captured the Individual Medley event and Gail Woodbury

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- the swimming team's answer to "Redfish" Graham - captured the diving. On Saturday night, the team moved on to Mount Allison where they were defeated 150-92. The out come of their section rested on the final event - the 400 metre Free Style Relay - which they lost by 2/10 of a second. The Tigerbelles, meanwhile, were being graciously trounced 86-34.

On the Men's side: The same teams and individuals were used as for the UNB meet. The Medley Relay team won the Free Style Relay team came second. The I.M. (Individual Medley) was won by Gord.

In the 100 metre back, Doug won and Gordie came second. In the 200 Back, Gordie won and Doug came second. Rob Murray came second in the 100 Breast and first in the 200 breast. Lee won both his 100 and 200 Fly events. In the 100 Free Style, Rob McGrail came second. In the Diving, Eric came second. On the Girls' side: The Medley Relay Team came second and the Free Style Relay Teams A & B, second and third respectively.

In the 50 and 100 Back events Olenka came first. In the 50 Breast, Nancy Graham came third. In the 50 Fly, Terry came first and Lois, third. In the 100 Fly, Lois came second.

In the 100 Free, Terry came second. In the 200 Free, Sue Etienne came third. Olenka came second in the Individual Medley. Gail Woodbury once again captured the Diving with Vicki Dwyer coming in third.

The Dalhousie fish were to splash again on Tuesday, January 31, at Acadia in a Dual Meet. We're sure they won.

LET'S TALK HOCKEY
-Continued from Page 5-- and of this they are capable of doing if every man is willing to work harder and make the necessary sacrifices that are required by anyone playing a Varsity sport. The Tigers venture forth to do battle with the X-men in St. F.X. feeble excuse for a rink and are at home to The Saints of St. Dunstons the following Sunday of Carnival Weekend. The girls play the Mount at 3:15 in the Dal rink on the preceding afternoon.



STAR OF GAME, WHITE, FORGETS THE PLAY

Hoop Tigers cop 8th win-over X; meet SMU Fri.

The Dalhousie Basketball Tigers waltzed to their eighth consecutive league victory with an 81-67 victory over the St. Francis Xavier X-men at the Dal Gym last Saturday afternoon.

By the three minute mark of the first quarter Dalhousie led 10-0 and at quarter time the vicious Tigers led 29-9. Early in the second quarter the Tigers raised their lead to 24 points 37-13. Having seemingly had their fill the Tigers became tame and at half time their lead had been cut to just 13 points - 45-32.

The third and fourth quarters were dull, to say the least, as the Bengals seemed content to just toy with their opponents and rebound and score only when absolutely necessary. The closest the X-men got was 8 points. Dalhousie's star was without a doubt Kevin White who played his best game since the Blue-nose Classic. He brought down 18 rebounds and hopped 21 points. "Deadeye" George Hughes also contributed 21 points.

One interesting thing about the game was that the X-men learned from us as they switched to a 1-3-1 zone defence in the second half. This has been the defence we have used so successfully and their successful use of it has taught us that the teacher, besides being able to create the nut, must know how to crack it.

Dalhousie now leads the M.I.B.L. by 2 1/2 games over U.N.B. and SMU.

One of the 3 big games left comes up this Friday night at SMU.

Tigers "eat 'em r-a-w!" Dalhousie; Seattle 17, White 21, Durnford 13, Ryan 5, Bourasca 4, --81.

St. F.X.; MacDonald 19, Gorham 16, McGratton 10, Gabriel 9, Webb 6, Moriarity 4, Power 3 --67.

The Ratings by the Canadian University Press:

- BASKETBALL**
1. Windsor
 2. Calgary
 3. Dalhousie
 4. Western Ontario
 5. Carleton
 6. British Columbia
 7. U.N.B.
 8. St. Mary's
 9. Toronto
 10. Alberta
- HOCKEY**
1. Toronto
 2. Alberta
 3. Sir George Williams
 4. Western Ontario
 5. St. F.X.
 6. Waterloo
 7. Saskatchewan
 8. Manitoba
 9. Loyola
 10. Montreal

Dalhousie to host on Feb. 18

This year the Maritime Inter-collegiate Badminton Tournament will be held in the Dalhousie Gym on Saturday, February 18. Most maritime universities are expected to send a mens' and ladies' team each consisting of a singles and two doubles players. Also some universities will be entering a mixed doubles team. The competition is expected to be especially keen this year as the winners of each event will be going to Calgary in March to represent the Maritime Intercollegiate Conference at the "Second Century Week" Athletic Meet. The tournament to choose the Dalhousie team will be held next Tuesday, Feb. 7 and Thursday, Feb. 9 in the gym. If you are interested in trying out for the team, contact David Ritcey, Chemistry Building or Kathy Quinlan in Shirreff Hall.

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