

No lobster for another year

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ST. MARY'S 55 - TIGERS NIL

Last Saturday marked the close of the Dalhousie Tiger's football season. It ended on a sad note and hence the less said the better.

It was the Lobster Trap Game, emblematic of Halifax college football supremacy. We lost to the St. Mary's Huskies 55-0.

What happened? Well, a number of things. First and foremost was our injury problem. Of course, Bill Stanish was out, but as if that was not bad enough, Cam Trotter and Keith Kingsbury were injured early in the first half and except for one later

appearance by Keith, both were through for the day. Early in the first half, Dave Crocker was reduced to hobbling while Barry De Ville was out of the lineup altogether.

Secondly, it just wasn't our day for breaks. We fumbled five times and lost the ball three times, two of which were after fine gains and inkey situations. Also we threw two interceptions. Sure-handed John Tilley had "one of those days when nothing goes right." Mel Ritcey was not blessed with any luck either. Our punting re-

turned to its old state - six punts for an average of only 25 yards a punt. The punter was not handed the best of snaps nor given the greatest blocking. Along with this, the penalties came at bad times.

Thirdly, the game unfortunately was anti-climatic after last week's great performance against Acadia. Spirit displayed by our Tigers in the Acadia game is "a once a season thing"; it is almost impossible to get that fired-up more than once a season, like a real pro.

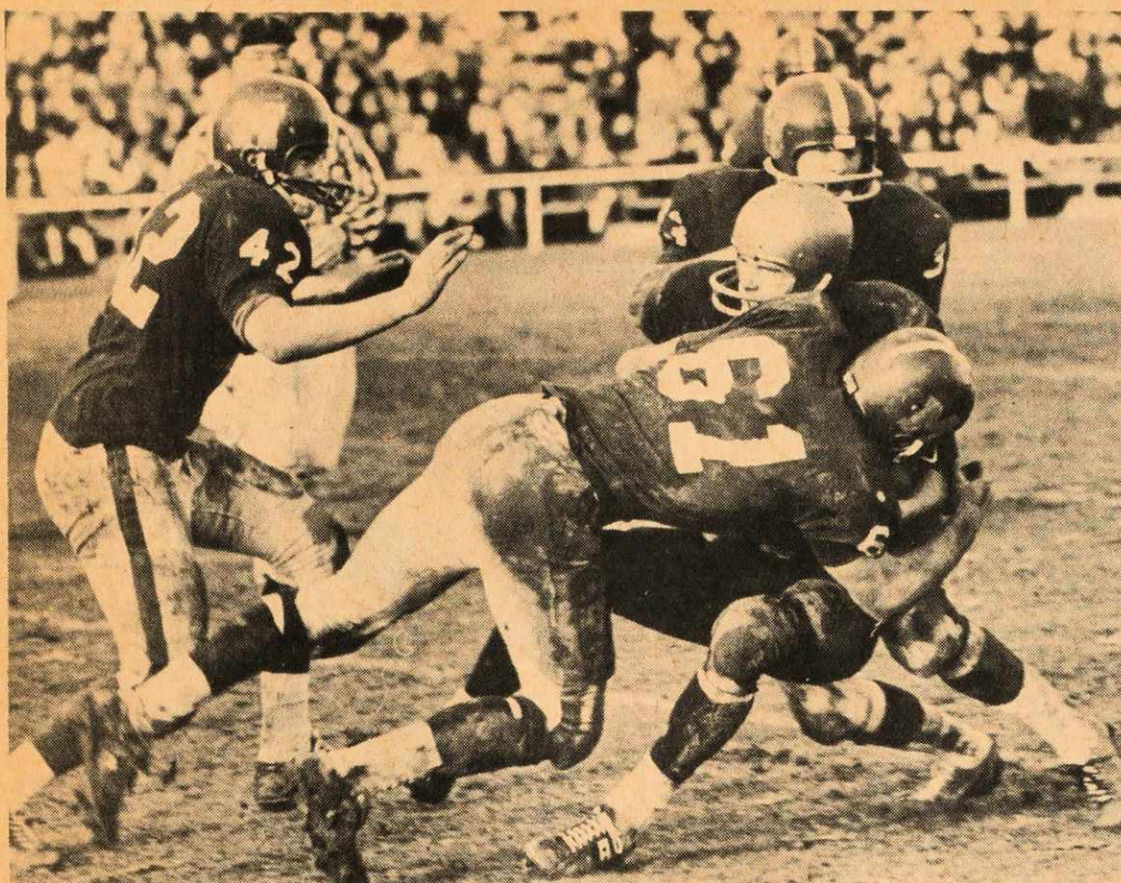
let alone, two weeks in a row. Last, but not least, SMU was bigger and more experienced. They completely wore our team down; witness, the last 20 minutes of the game when they scored at will.

However, all was not dark for the Black and Gold. On offense, Ross Nesbitt ran tremendously picking up 59 yards in 4 carries for an average of 14.7 yards a carry. Bob Daigle collected 37 yards. Quarterback Doug Quackenbush served notice that he will be doing a lot more running next year as he pounded out 31 yards like a real pro.

This week's star, a defensive player for the second game in a row, was Eric Kranz. Kranz was tackling all over the field, caught an interception and made an excellent punt and kick-off returns.

Well, what more can be said, except that Dal played as best it could and lost.

Our overall record this season was 2 wins, 1 tie, and 6 losses. It was better than last season when you count the tie and the number of "should-have-done-betters". Next season? You predict!



Tigers on defensive (Photo by DON RUSSEL)

Little 500

Studley Track, site of Saturday's bike races

On Saturday November the twelfth at 10 a.m., the new track at Studley field will be utilized for the famous Dalhousie Little 500. It is expected that all facilities will compete in this the fifth running of the fifth mile bicycle race. Much of the carnival atmosphere which thrills thousands every year at Indianapolis will be present at the commencement of the race and throughout its duration. Science Maintains that it will retain the trophy that it won last year at such a commanding margin. The challenge will be answered on Saturday at the track.

The following pieces of information should be of interest to both riders and fans.

HINTS FOR RIDERS-LITTLE 500 BICYCLE

1. Seat high enough to permit leg to straighten out to approximately 170 degrees.
2. Handle bars low.
3. Tighten cones, saddle, pedals and handle bars before each work out and before each race.
4. Bicycle should be kept well lubricated.

EXCHANGES

Dismounting Rider:

1. Stop pedaling well before entering exchange zone.
2. Incoming rider should coast in to exchange zone with speed controlled by braking.
3. Leave the pedal arms at a horizontal position, with the right pedal forward.
4. Dismounting rider should leave bicycle from the rear.
5. When leaving place one hand on handle bar post, the other on the front of the saddle.
6. Endeavour to leave bicycle at beginning of exchange zone.
7. Allow "catcher" to prevent your momentum from carrying you out of exchange zone or into rider attempting to mount.
8. Control direction bicycle with the hand on the saddle when leaving by the rear.
9. Keep the body weight primarily on the hand which is on the front of the saddle.

Mounting rider: (from right hand side)

1. Set out to move with the bicycle as it comes into the exchange area so that it may be caught and mounted without stopping.
2. Place both hands on the grips of the handle bars, so that the

weight may be carried evenly on the hands and arms.

3. Swing the left leg high rather than forward so that weight may drop straight down onto the seat and is not carried past the centre of the bicycle.
4. The right leg may be placed on the right pedal, or it may be placed on the ground so that a "flying mount" may be made.
5. Either a "stirrup" or "flying" mount is acceptable, the point to consider is success.
6. It is important to appreciate that exchanges must be made slow enough to be efficient, hasty exchanges, which are wobbly, will result in falls and excessive loss of time and possible accidents.
7. Before moving into the rail it is important that sufficient speed is developed and that there is at least two bicycle lengths free in front of the inside rider.

Catcher:

1. Face the rail rather than the dismounting rider, so you can move sideways with the weight of the rider.
2. Start to move with the dismounting rider as he comes into the pit area.
3. Place your right arm under the riders arms against his body so that his hands are free.

RULE IV - THE RACE

A. The start shall have:

- bicycles lined up three in a row with as many rows as necessary
- starting position based upon performance in time trials
- each row separated by one wheel diameter
- once around track following pace car and resulting in flying start at top speed
- timing commencing with firing of starting pistol as first row crosses start-finish line.

B. The running

- "cutting" in front of another rider must be done so as not to interfere with rear riders' speed, position and course
- passing on front riders' left is permitted if distance between passes and curb (or other rider) is minimum of four (4) feet.

C. Exchanges:

- to occur within the designated area so that:
- (1) rider maintains contact with bicycle until vehicle has entered 20 foot exchange zone (one for each team)
- (2) incoming rider must make

contact with vehicle within zone once entered.

- (3) relief rider must make contact with vehicle within his own zone
- (4) incoming rider may be caught by team member only.

D. Finish:

- the winner is the team with the first bicycle to complete 200 official laps.
- the time is taken as front wheel crosses the start-finish line
- two, but only two, "insurance" laps are mandatory.
- the starting pistol is fired as each team completes 200 laps.

Swim Schedule

DALHOUSIE TIGERS AND TIGERBELLE SCHEDULE

- Sunday, November 6. Inter-squad Meet (Black Bombers vs Yellow Yeggs) (YWCA)
- Friday, November 11. Dalhousie at Acadia (Wolfville 7:30 p.m.)
- Sunday, November 13. Rookie-Pro (YWCA)
- Sunday, November 20. Tele-graphic Meet-Western Ontario-Tigers only
- Saturday, November 26. Dal Relay Carnival (YWCA-6:30-9:30)
- A Sunday in December. Tele-graphic Meet with Guelph University (to be arranged)
- Saturday, January 7. Nova Scotia Opens - Halifax
- Friday, January 13. Mount Allison and UNB at Dalhousie (Shearwater-7:00-10:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, January 21. Dalhousie Gala (YWCA) 6:30-10:00
- Friday, January 27. Dalhousie at UNB (4:30)
- Saturday, January 28. Dalhousie at Mount Allison (1:30)
- Saturday, February 4. Mount Allison Winter Carnival (not definite)
- Saturday, February 11. Acadia at Dal (YWCA) 6:30-9:00
- Sunday, February 12. Not definite yet
- Saturday, February 18 and Sunday February 19. Atlantic open (Halifax)
- Saturday, February 25. MIAA and MWIAA Championships at Mount Allison

Swimming Tigers

Splash against Axemen tomorrow evening

BY ROBERT EAGLE

On Friday evening the Black and Gold Splashers will visit The Acadia Axemen in Wolfville. This is their first intercollegiate meet of the year and the coach hopes that they will prove worthy of their names. Swimming is probably the longest seasonal sport on campus as the group began training one week after the commencement of school and continues their competitions until the first weekend in March.

This year they have eight dual meets including two telegraphic meets (University of western Ontario and Guelph), a relay carnival, and two Casa championships meets before the MIAA meet at the end of February. The team is again prodded with an extra incentive in the Canadian Intercollegiate Championships in Edmonton to be held at the end of February and the beginning of March. Last year Dal finished eighth in Canada, but was first among the Maritime Colleges that were chosen to represent this league, with only five swimmers. "We will take one step at a

time" was the comment made by coach Graham when asked to make a prediction on his teams probable performance in March. The team will gain valuable experience swimming these dual meets in preparation for the MIAA meet in Sackville but the

final goal is Edmonton. The CIAU meet is one of the best indicators of a team's ability to compete for the cream of the crop from the country's five major college conferences represented and attempt to win both an individual college championship and a league trophy.

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Walford steps up practice tempo

The past week saw the Tigers working very hard in order to make up the time they have lost to the other teams in the league. Dal was the last club to take the ice as a result of the rinks being used for social events. The delay has forced coach Walford to intensify the amount of material to be covered in each practice session. This is exemplified by the fact that the first time a full equipment practice was held, just three days after the first on ice drills, they had a scrimmage. The remainder of the week was spent on exercising specific skills and the initial aspects of the system coach Walford plans to use this season.

MAJOR PROBLEMS

The major problem facing the coach is the ability of his numerous rookies to learn the various routines that are contingent upon specific game conditions. The seriousness of this problem was partially allayed by the results of an intra-squad game held last Saturday night. The allocation of personnel to the Black or White teams was based primarily on the results of a series of speed and agility tests held during the afternoon practice. All players showed that they had grasped the basic fundamentals of the system and the result was a well played game.

IMPRESSIVE FORWARD

The most impressive forward line of the night was the Black team's combination of Mahoney, MacPherson and Levitz. These three could provide Dal with much needed scoring power if they can learn to think and act as a unit and not as individuals. When one of them breaks from the pattern, as happened during Saturday's game, the other two rendered ineffectual. Another performer of interest for the Black team was defenseman Bob Cyr. He has a good shot and the ability to lug the puck out of his own end. However, Cyr too often gets caught up ice after his rush and must learn to hustle back into position after making his play. If he is able to achieve this then Bob will provide a definite asset to the club.

The White team's defensive duo of Moore and Rogers also showed definite possibilities. Rogers has good size and speed while Moore is a good playmaker and has an excellent shot.

John Bell, who has the first string net minding job, showed a marked tendency to going down too often and too soon. However, towards the end of the scrimmage he was staying on his feet which resulted in many fine shots. At the other end Dave Andrews and Peter Hebb were vying with one another for the second string job.

COACH PLEASED

In the final analysis the coach was well pleased with the progress that has been displayed so far. Another intra-squad game is scheduled for the Saturday prior to the Tigers initial league encounter with the Acadia Axemen on November 19 at 8 p.m. in the Dal rink. I mentioned last week that goalie Mike Kennie and veterans Dave McClymont and Bill Stanish would more than likely be lost to the Tigers this season. Apparently this will not be the case. Mike Kennie has decided to give his knee a good tryout and if the results are favourable he will join the fight for the back-up goaltending job. Dave McClymont looks much better and claims he is feeling well after a week of rest. He will rejoin the team this week and if Dave can take care of his health he will certainly be the cornerstone of the Dal defense. Bill Stanish, injured during the football game against Acadia, expects to have the pin in his shoulder removed within two weeks and hopes to be ready to go early in December.

SLAPSHOTS

After Saturday's intra-squad game Coach Walford will make his final cuts. Those not making the Varsity will come under the able direction of coach Bellemere for further training. At any time during the season a junior varsity player, showing the necessary skills, can move up to the Varsity.

The girls varsity hockey team took to the ice last Monday morning with such cries as "I'll never smoke again" following the initial workout. If there are any girls who have not yet signed up to play but would like to will they please contact Miss Paddy Thomas 422-5086.

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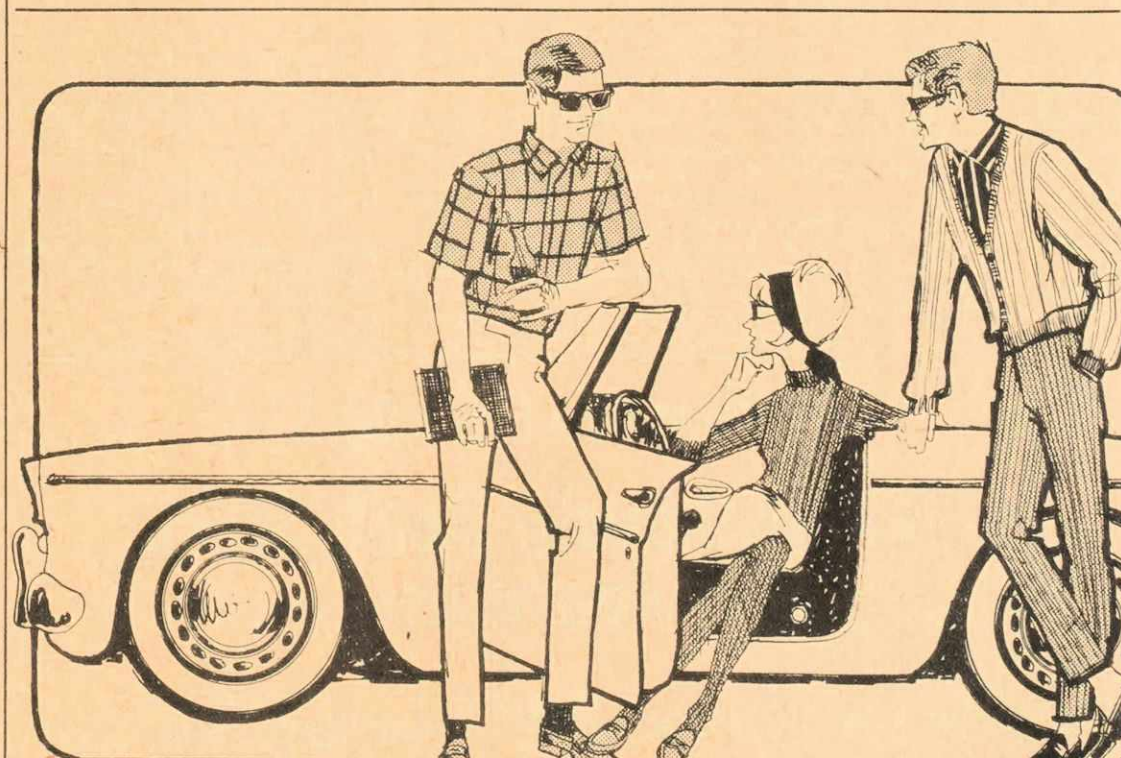
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