

BUNTAIN LEADS DALHOUSIE TO 7-6 VICTORY OVER ST. THOMAS

by PAUL FARLEY

Last Saturday, the Dal Tigers skated to a thrilling 7-6 victory over the visiting Saint Thomas "Tommies" in an intercollegiate game played before a packed house at the Dal Rink. The victory was an important one for Dal. Not only did the Tigers defeat what is considered to be one of the better teams in the league, the Tigers also gained four points in the league standings as this game was worth double value to the victor. Hard skating and stiff body checks were the order of the day as the battling Tigers achieved their hard fought victory. In spite of the bruising action, the referees were forced to call only six penalties.

Buntain Scores Penalty Shot
Play in the first period was evenly distributed between both teams. Dalhousie struck first at 1:02 when Bill Buntain took the puck from his own blue line, skated into the St. Thomas zone, eluded the "Tommie" defenders, and fed a perfect pass to Hal Murray in front of the net. Murray flipped the puck over the outstretched pad of the "Tommie" goaler. At 9:03, St. Thomas evened the score when Morris scored from Butler after a scramble in front of the Dal net. At 14:14, Bill Buntain scored when he was chosen to take a penalty shot awarded the Dal team. Buntain skated within 25 ft. of the St. Thomas goal and beat the goalie cleanly with a low drive.

ST. THOMAS EXPLODE
In the second period, Dal again struck hard and fast. Hal Murray got a partial breakaway, skated in on the "Tommie" net and passed the puck back to Drmaj who had just stepped back on the ice after serving a two minute tripping penalty. Drmaj simply backhanded the puck into the cage. Time of the goal was 1:03.

Within the space of three minutes, the visitors unleashed some

of their vaunted power. John Hospodar scored from Wood at 2:55. Ed Hospodar scored thirteen seconds later on a pass from Wood. At 5:35, Wood finally got a goal of his own, with John Hospodar assisting.

At 10:48 of the period, Bill Buntain again showed St. Thomas some of finer points of hockey when he skated the length of the ice and scored on a low partially screened shot. Dalhousie's diminutive third line then sprang into action when J.J. Cruickshanks was set up nicely by Levitz and Beckett and he let go a quick drive from close in that caught the far corner of the St. Thomas cage. St. Thomas had a decided edge in play in the period and which ended with the Tigers hanging on for dear life.

1 GOAL VICTORY

Again in the third period Dal scored early when Bill Buntain got his third goal of the evening at 2:35. Buntain scored from a scramble in front of the "Tommie" cage after being set up by Levitz and Murray. At 3:10 Don Bauld made it 7-4 for Dal when he let go a weak screen shot from a sharp angle that fooled the goalie and went into the net.

However, St. Thomas didn't lay down and die by any stretch of the imagination. Forty seconds after Bauld's marker, Ed Hospodar narrowed the margin when he rolled a shot past MacDonald from close in after being beautifully set up by Wood. At 11:43, John Hospodar scored St. Thomas' last goal and what proved to be the last goal of the game. It was a fierce fight to the finish from here on in. Only after some hair-raising action and shots that clanged off goalposts did Dal achieve victory.

BEGINNING OF DAL SURGE

The contest was typical of the exciting brand of hockey to which Dalhousie fans have been treated lately. Action went up and down



The St. Thomas goalie, Keith Raymond is here making one of his many brilliant saves that kept his team in fight for the big four points that were at stake Saturday night at the Dal rink. Dick Drmaj was robbed on this play but later sank one for the Tingers.

(Purdy Photo)

the ice all night and it wasn't over till the final bell sounded.

Much credit for the victory has to be given to defenseman Ralph Chisholm, who, according to Coach Fitzgerald, played about 53 minutes of the game. Goaltender George MacDonald came up with some big saves, particularly towards the end of the game, which saved the game for Dal. Bill Buntain played his usual tremendous game and was in four of the seven Dal goals.

A pleased and proud Coach, Fitzgerald stated after the game that the victory was completely a team effort and that if the game was at all indicative of the calibre of their hockey they should make the playoffs.

The three stars of the game as chosen by the Sports Staff of the Dal Gazette were: Bill Buntain, who scored a hat trick and played strong two-way hockey; Ed Hospodar who potted three "Tommie" tallies; Dal goaler, George MacDonald, who saved Dal's four points with a stellar third period performance.

Interfac Basketball Schedule

JANUARY 26

- 1:00 - 2:00
- 2:00 - 3:00
- 3:00 - 4:00
- 4:00 - 5:00

- Law vs Engineers
- Medicine vs Dentistry
- Arts vs Science
- Pharm/Ed vs Commerce

FEBRUARY 2

- 1:00 - 2:00
- 2:00 - 3:00
- 3:00 - 4:00
- 4:00 - 5:00

- Pharm/Ed vs Science
- Law vs Commerce
- Arts vs Medicine
- Dentistry vs Engineers

FEBRUARY 9

- 1:00 - 2:00
- 2:00 - 3:00
- 3:00 - 4:00
- 4:00 - 5:00

- Dentistry vs Law
- Pharm/Ed vs Arts
- Engineers vs Science
- Medicine vs Commerce

FEBRUARY 16

- 1:00 - 2:00
- 2:00 - 3:00
- 3:00 - 4:00
- 4:00 - 5:00

- Arts vs Law
- Medicine vs Pharm/Ed
- Dentistry vs Science
- Commerce vs Engineers

FEBRUARY 23

- 1:00 - 2:00
- 2:00 - 3:00
- 3:00 - 4:00
- 4:00 - 5:00

- Commerce vs Science
- Law vs Medicine
- Arts vs Dentistry
- Engineers vs Pharm/Ed

LINES BY LEVITZ



It was a big week in varsity sport for Dal teams. The basketball quintet played two exhibition games and a regular league tilt. The hockey wars presented two battles for the black and gold.

TWO VICTORIES — SIX POINTS

Goog Fitzgerald's Tigers have earned their record in league play with two victories during the past week. Monday night (Jan. 14), Saint Mary's, doormats of the league to date, and probably for the rest of the season, were crushed by an aroused Bengal squad who were hungry for their first win of the year. The game was more like a 1930 effort by management to break picket lines — i.e. a brawl. Dal came out on top by a five goal margin in the battle but came close to losing the best hockey player in the league for the season.

Doctor Jim Purves, Dal team physician, said after the game that "I have never seen anyone out so cold for so long a period as Bill (Buntain) was. He received as hard a judo chop as one could possibly hit with." The injury resulted from a high stick carried by Wayne O'Brien who later in the game was tossed out of the fray following a fistcuff engagement with Buntain's linemate, Hal Murray.

No hockey game is worth an injury to any one player on either team. Competitive spirit must be contained by the rules of the game. It is a difficult judgment to say who was to blame for the type of game that was played that night. The important thing is that it doesn't happen again. The responsibility to avoid crippling injuries that generally result from laxness on the part of the officials lies with both the players, the officials and coaches and the league executive.

THE FOUR POINTER

For the third game in three days, St. Thomas Tommies skated, shot and played in top form to offer the Dal fans the best game of the season to date. Dal played a great game for about 40 minutes. In the other 20 minutes, the Tommies first line potted six goals. Buntain, MacDonald and Chisholm turned in outstanding performances to lead the tigers to their victory. The game was worth four points since we only play the New Brunswick—PEI teams once during the regular schedule while facing the Nova Scotia squads twice. Each game against the Nova Scotia teams is worth two points.

The Tommies had the Dal team hanging on the ropes and the Dal fans on the edge of their seats for the last five minutes of the game. They surged back from a three goal deficit to within one goal and only MacDonald's fantastic saves protected the victory.

Again Dal showed lack of depth. Don Bauld, star forward and captain of the team, was used frequently on defense. Chisholm again was forced to play over 50 minutes (for the third time in seven days) to shore up an undermanned defense crew. One improvement can be noted, however. The third line, which scored a goal Saturday, looks like it could become useful to Coach Fitzgerald after three games of watching and waiting for a third trio.

HERE AND THERE

Crucial test for the hockey Tigers Saturday night, UNB last year's champs and current leaders of the NB—PEI section are in town. . . Basketball team beat the Schooners by 7 points to avenge a previous 25 point loss. . . We should have beat Acadia in hockey and lost to them in Basketball by the time this is in print. . . Alumni Varsity football game during Winter Carnival should be a gasser.

On Campus

January 23-25 — SADIE HAWKINS WEEK

Wednesday, January 23 — DGDS Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 24 — Arts Society Meeting, Room 234, 11:30 a.m.
Girls Serenade Residence and Med Fraternities.
NDP Panel Discussion on Nuclear Arms, Room 234, 1:15 p.m.
DGDS Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, January 25 — Sadie Hawkins Dance, Dal Gym, 9:30 p.m.
Campus King Crowned.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE FOR COUNCIL CANDIDATES

Saturday, January 26 — SCM International Dinner, Shirreff Hall, 7:30 p.m.
DGDS Rehearsal, 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 27 — Canterbury Club: "The Church in the Orient", 8:30 p.m.
"Jeunesses Musicales" Concert, The Canadian Trio, School for the Blind, 8:30 p.m.
Varsity Christian Fellowship: "What is unique in Christianity?", Dr. R. C. Chalmers speaker, Alexandra Hall Recreation Room, 3:00 p.m.
DGDS Rehearsal, 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday — Thursday, January 29-31 — BLOOD DRIVE, East Common Room, Arts Annex.

Tuesday, January 29 — 11:30-2:30, 4:30-5:30
Wednesday, January 30 — 11:30-2:30, 4:30-5:30
Thursday, January 31 — 11:30-2:30

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