

BENGALS "FREEZE" AND LOSE TO "X"

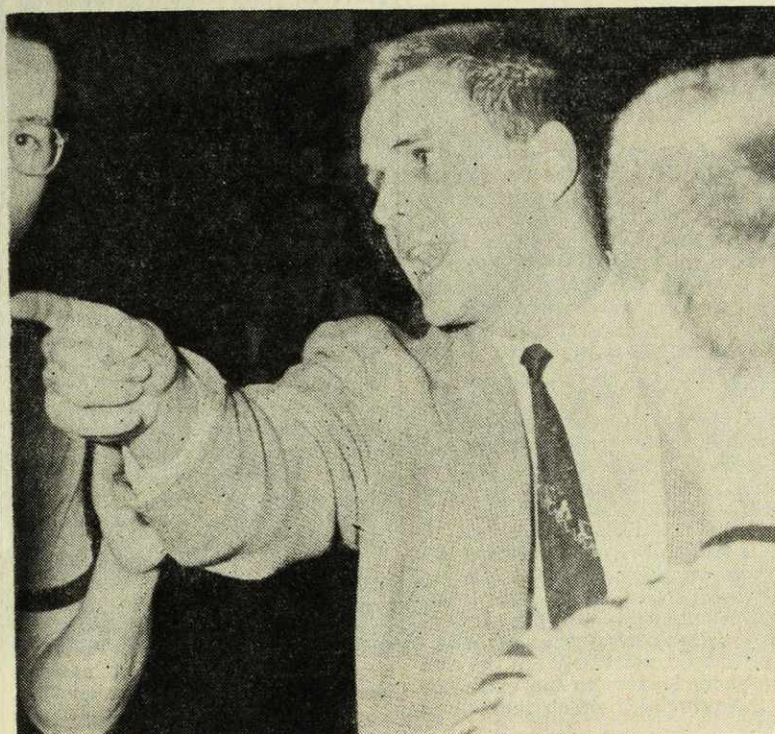
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It just might happen that the Dal Tigers will pull out a basketball victory this season. Saturday night at the Dal gym the Bengals held St. F.X. to a 37-28 half-time margin before falling off their "hot" pace and losing 71-53.

That 18-point margin is no indication of the play. Dal's floor work was more than adequate. They controlled their defensive backboard, allowing "X" one, possibly two, shots at a time but no more. Meanwhile, they were able to fire at the offensive board three and four times at a thrust. The X-men were out-shot 78-56 BUT the Xaverians were able to score 26 field goals to 20 by the Bengals. That was the story of the ball game. Dal was unable to capitalize on its breaks, and there were many of those.

The X-men had a strange appearance, dressed in white S.M.U. uniforms. X equipment had gone astray in transit and didn't arrive in time.

Pete Wilson, Bruce Stewart and Ted Wickwire were standouts for the Black and Gold. Stewart potted 14 points to lead his teammates in scoring while Wickwire netted 13



NOW HEAR THIS!—Merv Shaw, coach of the Dal basketball quintet, sounds off to his players during a time out. Bruce Stewart is seen at left and Lorne Fisher is at right.

(Photo by Acker)

digits. Wilson and Stewart were towers of strength in the rebounding department. Paul Davenport and

Ernie Foshay led the Xaverian attack with 17 and 16 points respectively.

Dal—Bruce Stewart 14; Ted Wickwire 13; Pete Wilson 13; Ron Simmons 9; Ted Brown 6; Brian Noonan 2; Lorne Fisher, Charlie Brown, Bob Schurman, Doug Chapman, Gordon Morrison. Bill Robertson—53.

"X"—Paul Davenport 17; Ernie Foshay 16 Terry Daigle 12; Jerry Sullivan 11; John Civiello 8; Jerry Blair 4; John Tapley 3; Ray Somerville, John Ashe, Jim Walsh—71.

Dal Bows To Schooners

Dal Varsity Tigers suffered their first loss in Senior B league competition Tuesday night (Jan. 12) at the hands of the Schooners. The final score was 53-41 in a contest played sloppily by both teams.

The Schooners were in control most of the way as they sported a 35-22 edge at the half, and were outscored by just one point in the second stanza. For the Studley boys, Ted Wickwire showed the way with 13 points. Bill Mullane and Varse MacLaughlin were the top performers for the opposition.

From the floor, the Black and Gold crew hit for only 16 out of 62 attempted field goals for a lowly 25.8 percentage.

Dalhousie: Brown 4; Stewart 2; Wickwire 13; Simmons 5; Fisher 3; Schurman 2; Morrison 4; Wilson 8; Robertson, Chapman—41.

Law Wins V'Ball

An abbreviated interfac volleyball schedule came to an end last Thursday night with Law emerging as league leaders.

The Lawyers ended the season undefeated with a 4-0 record. Dentistry won their three games to finish second. They were followed by Arts & Sciece (2-2), Medicine (1-1), Engineers (1-1), Faculty (1-2) and Commerce (0-4).

The semi-finals and final were played Tuesday night. In the semi-finals, Law met Engineers and Dentistry squared off against Medicine.

DAL SPORTS

FROM THE SPORTS DESK

by Joel Jacobson

A DEPLORABLE SITUATION

Dalhousie and St. F.X. have red faces today. The Tigers are crimson-hued because of the 8-2 licking they took at the hands of the X-Men; the Xaverians, because their reputation as good hosts has been tarnished.

It is a cardinal rule at any sports event that the home team is responsible for police protection. Dal suffered double indignity at X—the 8-2 trouncing on the scoreboard and the fact that they were unable to complete the game because of fan behaviour—mass rioting.

It was a game, we've heard from reliable reports, in which the officials let both sides get away with a lot of "rough stuff". Reports say that the game was played as in the NHL where "everything goes." In our league, European rules are in effect. It was inevitable that tempers would be frayed and that there would be fights because of the inadequacies of the referees in handing out penalties.

Reports also say that the whole thing could have been prevented had the referees know the MIAU rules as well as the hockey rules. During the third period fracas, Frank Sim and Leo Doyle battled and were given five-minute majors. They were sent to the penalty box to serve their sentence. The MIAU rules state that the penalty for fighting shall be DISQUALIFICATION of the offending players for the remainder of the match and there shall be no substitution for such players until after the expiration of five minutes. Had the two players been sent from the ice, the mass riot would not have started. The two players started to battle again in the sin-bin and instigated the riot.

Dalhousie lost the game in the second period when, with the score 3-2 in X's favor, John Graham blasted the puck through the X cage. The red light flashed, signalling the goal but a few moments later, the goal judge stated that the puck was not in the net but went around the goal. This demoralized the Tigers and X went on to score three more goals in that period to run off with the game.

One thing is sure. Dal fans can't be blamed for starting the riot since they were only seven Dal supporters there, all from the distaff side.

The fact remains that it was a deplorable incident and steps should be taken to make sure that it cannot be repeated at X, or at any other point on the Maritime Intercollegiate circuit.

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PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

"Practice makes perfect" is an old adage and Dalhousie basketballers would certainly do well to heed that maxim. After Saturday night's miserable shooting display against St. F.X., the Bengals need practice, practice and more practice on popping shots from outside and from the key and even from the foul line.

In the first half, Dal shot at a reasonable 43.3% (11 for 27) but were outdone by the X-men who shot at a prolific clip—17 for 29 and 58.6%. Along came the second half and the Tigers were "ice cold", hitting on only 9 of 51 shots—17.6% X were nothing to write home about but 33% (9-27) is better than 17.6%.

Even on the foul line, Dal was inferior to "X". The X-men, in St. Mary's clothing, scored 19 free throws in 30 tries, while the Tigers fell under .500 with 13 for 27. That is woeful for an intercollegiate aggregation. The U. S. college squads hit usually at 70% so we in Canada should be able to come close to matching our "cousins" below the border—say 69.95%.

Dents Lead Hockey B'Ball League Opens

by MIKE NOBLE

by GERRY LEVITZ

Dentistry moved into first place in the interfac hockey league with a 6-5 victory over Pharmacy last week. Law holds second place by virtue of a 7-3 triumph over Kings.

Last Saturday afternoon, two contests were played, with Commerce and Meds notching the wins. The business men outskated an enthusiastic A & S entry to come out on top, 4-2. Willie Moore dented the twines on three occasions to emerge with a hat-trick and the day's outstanding performance.

In the other encounter, the Med powerhouse swamped a game but outmanned and outgunned squad of Engineers to the tune of 6-1. Fliger led the attack for Meds with two goals in a game that saw the seasoned veteran of many varsity campaigns, Claude Brown, between the pipes for the future doctors.

Pine Hill pulled a major upset in the feature game of the opening day's play of the interfac basketball schedule. The Divinity boys edged Med A 38-37 after staging a thrilling comeback to pull the game out of the fire. George Davidson scored a free throw with 20 seconds to play in the contest after Pine Hill had come from a 37-29 deficit.

Law established themselves as the team to beat in the A section of the league as they crushed Arts and Science 62-17. Dave Matheson swished 26 points for the Lawyers to pace the attack. In the third A game of the afternoon, Dentistry downed the Engineers 37-25.

Commerce and Arts and Science B posted wins in B league play. Commerce downed Graduate Studies 34-21 and A & S edged Law 21-18.



Statistic!

The other day our vice president in charge of good news announced that someone, somewhere, enjoys Coke 58 million times a day. You can look at this 2 ways:

Either we've got an incredibly thirsty individual on our hands. Or Coca-Cola is the best-loved sparkling drink in the world.

We lean to the latter interpretation.



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