

Huskies are back

by Sandy Cross

Two years ago, on a miserable afternoon, the Huskies' hopes for a berth in the Vanier Cup were quashed. McGill's Chuck Petipas nailed a field goal on the last play of the game and SMU missed the final by one point. Last year, after rouncing Bishop's in the Atlantic bowl, the Huskies got that trip to Toronto but found themselves playing without the aid of star quarterback Chris Flynn who suffered a hairline fracture. Consequently the Huskies were snowed under by a determined Calgary offense.

Needless to say, now that Flynn is healthy again, the Huskies are

determined that this shall be the year they go all the way.

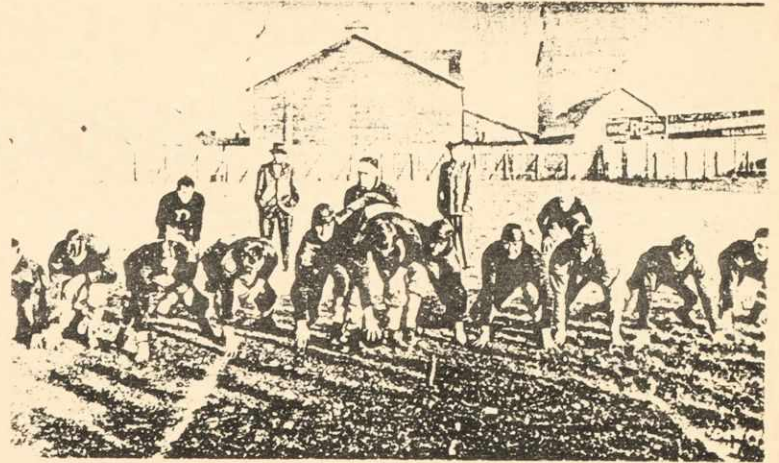
The Huskies are already ranked number one in the Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union following a 34-12 exhibition victory over Acadia. SMU took the field on a gorgeous early autumn day and began their drive to the skydome. They humiliated the relatively young St. Francis Xavier X-Men 57-0.

The day started poorly for rookie coach Mark Heidebrecht's X-Men. Though it seemed their defense might keep the game from turning into a rout, their offense just couldn't click. Once

Flynn got the SMU offense going, and started finding his receivers the St. Francis game quickly disintegrated. By the half, the Huskies were up 42-0 and, though Flynn did not play the second half (not that he was needed), SMU finished with a 57-0 victory.

Player of the game honours went to Bill Scollard, who scored three majors and two single points. The other majors went to Calvin Scott (2) and Sean Mongey (2).

In the other Atlantic conference game Acadia downed Mt. Allison 48-0.



Football flashback

by Riki Rili

November 2, 1974 — one of the most spectacular days in Dal football history. In a 34-32 loss to UNB, all-conference running

back Jeff Neal ran back punts of 110 and 80 yards for touchdowns. As well, he hauled in a 65-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Peter Coll. The Dal Gazette remembers you as a star past.

Soccer squads kick into gear

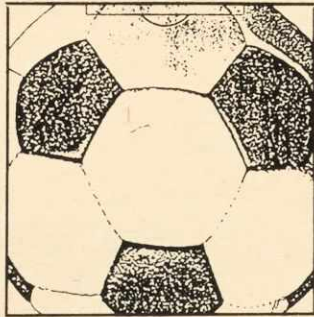
by Mike Oredugba

Dalhousie's men's and women's soccer teams both started off the new season on a positive note, the men's squad enjoying a victory while the women's squad had to settle for a draw.

Last Sunday the men's team trounced the weaker Caper Breton Capers by a convincing margin of 6-0. Though half the squad is composed of rookies, the Tigers played well together, making short work of the Capers.

Veterans like Sean Burke were quick to point out, however, that the team still had to work out a few details in order to ensure success throughout the season.

"It was an easy game," said



Burke, "but we have a few bugs to iron out. The team is made up of skilled rookies and some vets. Many of these guys played under a different system during the summer, so there is no question about their being fit. I only hope that everyone can adjust quickly to the system."

Coach Ray McNeil shares the same views about the team's experience problem but is not too worried about it. "We have a good team this year and I think they'll do well despite their lack of experience. Becoming familiar with the system takes very little time. We are in a tough division again this year but I feel the guys can do the job."

Like their male counterparts, the women's team also has a lot of new faces. Says coach Terry MacDonald, "we have this year the highest number of new players that we've ever had, and I think it

Stadia with character

by Brian Lennox

Wrigley Field, Comiskey Park, Maple Leaf Gardens, and the Montreal Forum are virtual sport shrines. Boston is fortunate enough to have two historic sporting facilities, the Boston Garden and Fenway Park. Fenway Park was built in 1912 and then reconstructed in 1935. It was truly built for baseball and nothing else.

The seating capacity is the smallest in the major leagues at 34,700. The fans are really close to the field, which creates an intimacy that is rare today. Certainly the fans can be abusive to the players, as Jose Canseco of the

is good for the team. I expect them to do very well this year. They might be unfamiliar with the system, and especially with each other at first, but that's a problem I intend to solve very quickly. I would've liked to have seen some of them in better shape but fitness is a thing we'll have to work on."

Coach MacDonald did not find much to criticize in the condi-

Oakland As found out this weekend. The playing surface is grass, a surface that is favoured by most athletes. Everything about Fenway Park is steeped in tradition. Even the urinals in the men's washroom are old. Fans can enjoy baseball in a setting that has character. The Green monster is a 10 metre high wall in left field. The outfield fences are not at all like the symmetrical fences built in the last 20 years and Stadium officials still use an old scoreboard located in left field.

Unfortunately, Fenway Park and other stadiums seem to be living their last years. The city of Chicago plans to tear down Comiskey Park which was built in

tioning of his team during their match-up against the fatigued team from St. FX on Tuesday. Though the game ended in a 1-1 tie, the Dal squad clearly had the upper hand throughout the game. They scored the first goal in the first 10 minutes of the first half, and dominated much of the action until an error led to the equalizer by St. FX five minutes before the half. At the start of the

1910. The Montreal Canadians want to move to a new arena. The vast majority of major league stadiums in Canada and the US are state-of-the-art designs, built for multi-purpose use.

There is no question cities have to build new major league facilities. However, preserving some of these older facilities is important. They are, as much as other historical sites, a reflection of our society. Sport has been an important element in North American culture. To remove the older facilities would be removing a part of history. In a society increasingly concerned with only the immediate future, we need to preserve these historical sites even more.

second half the Tigers once again took control of the game, creating many scoring opportunities but never converting them into goals. The game continued in this way until the referee's whistle ended the action. "They missed many chances, but I was pleased with their effort. We can work out the kinks later, but the effort was there, so I am happy with the results."

