

BENGALS HOLD FIRST PLACE

Axemen Toppled 6-5 At Wolfville

Dalhousie Tigers finally came to life early in the third period and just managed to eke out a 6-5 victory over Acadia at Wolfville Saturday afternoon. Dal climaxed their uphill drive at 15:19 of the last period when Don Bauld blasted the puck into the Acadia cage after picking up Vaughan Brigg's rebound.

ACADIA BUILDS LEAD

In the first period, Acadia jumped into an early lead but the Bengals tied it up three minutes later when Gene Scheible blasted a fifty-foot screened shot past an unsuspecting Bob French. Bill Buntain gave Dal a lead they maintained for 15 seconds when he tipped Bill Gillies' pass into the net. In the dying minutes of the period, the Acadia power play worked for the second time in the game to give the Axemen a 3-2 lead.

The second period saw Dal do everything but put the puck in the net. They outshot their hosts 14-5 but were out-scored 1-0. The outstanding feature of the period was a 20-minute delay while officials and "rink-rats" tried vainly to clean a deluge of debris from the ice. The outburst started when Pete Corkum was given the gate for elbowing. This was the third penalty within the space of three minutes and both sides were rather disgusted with the officiating. The lone goal of the period came with Gillies and Corkum resting in the sin-bin.

DAL FIGHTS BACK

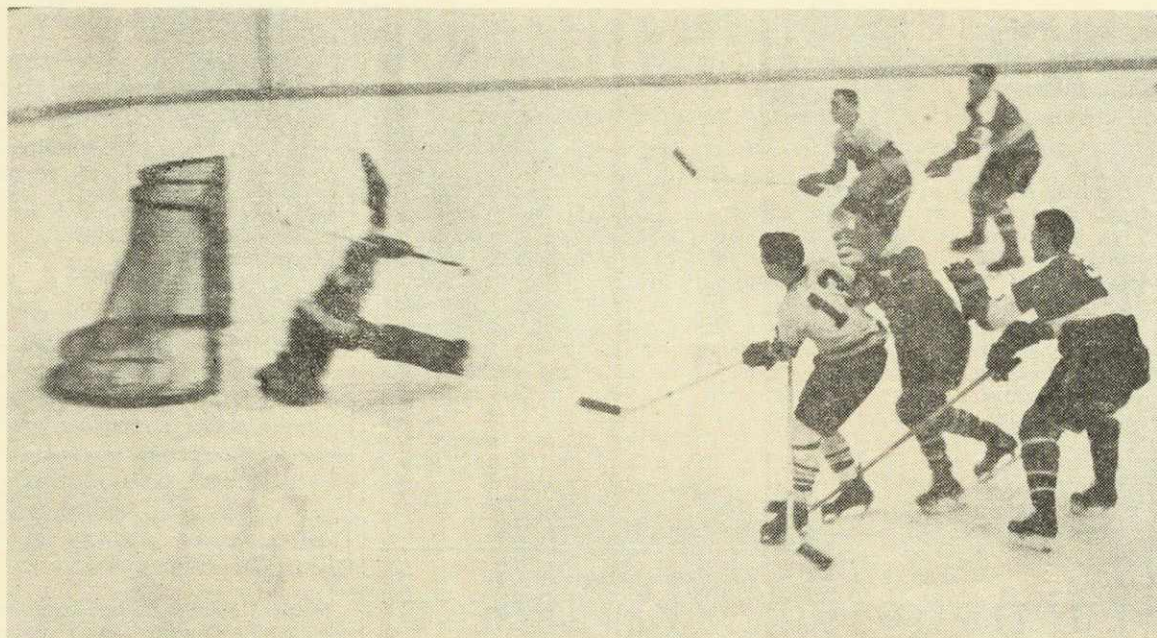
The first five minutes of the final session saw the worst hockey displayed by the Tigers this season. Finally at 5:05 the tide changed as Dave Cameron scored his initial goal of the season as he flipped the puck over the prostrate Acadia netminder. Within four minutes Dal tied it up when Briggs shot through a maze of legs after being set up on a beautiful pass from Don Bauld. Then the Dal power play worked to perfection as Frank Sim scored unassisted and put Dal ahead to stay. The final Dal tally, and what proved to be the winning goal, came off the stick of Bauld. The play started at the Acadia blueline when Briggs cruised in alone on French only to be foiled by a brilliant save. With the goalie completely out of position, Bauld banged the loose puck into the open net. The scoring was rounded out with five seconds left in the game when the Acadia power play worked for the fourth time in the game.

It was proven in the opening game of the season that any team that wanted to fore-check against the Tigers could beat them. Acadia tried this formula Saturday and for two periods kept the Bengals disorganized. Conditioning told the tale in the third period and Dal skated away with the decision. Gene Scheible and Bill Buntain were standouts at penalty killing while George MacDonald played a standout game, four of the goals coming when Dal was shorthanded.

Jayvees Win

Dal Junior Varsity Basketball Tigers finally won their first game of the year last Saturday night when they edged Barons 54-52 in a regularly scheduled Senior C league tilt played at the Beth Israel Synagogue. Dave Haywood dropped two free throws through the cords with two seconds showing on the clock to give the Bengals their hard-earned win. At one point in the second half, the Dal quintet was down 41-31 but fought back to pull out the victory. Earlier in the season, Dal had been bombed 73-25 by Clodhoppers and 58-29 by Saint Mary's jayvees.

Haywood was high man for the Tigers with 17 points, while Tor Boswick scored 16. Jerry Blumenthal was tops for the home squad with 16 points while Sandy Berens scored 13 for the losers.



SIM SCORES AGAIN—Frank Sim (13) scores Dal's fifth goal Saturday at Acadia as the Bengals downed the Axemen 6-5. The goaltender, Bob French, appears blurred because of the speed of the shot.

(Photo by Risley)

Tigers Drop 56-55 Heart-Breaker To Xaverians

by JAMIE RICHARDSON

Dal Varsity Tigers continued to play a good solid brand of basketball during the past weeks but were not able to get into the win column. After being thumped by the Saint Mary's Huskies, the Tigers dropped a fair of spine tinglers to the Schooners and to the St. F. X. University.

In the highlight encounter of the week, the Bengals journeyed to Antigonish where they lost a heart-breaker 56-55 to St. F.X. This was the Tigers fourth Intercollegiate loss and dropped them into fourth place.

The first half of the fixture was a rather listless affair with neither team being particularly effective. Xavier used its great height to advantage, however, and bounced into the half time lead, outscoring the Tigers 27-18. The Tigers per usual had trouble from the foul line as they missed a great percentage of their charity shots.

In the second period the Tigers bounced back with three quick baskets by Ted Brown to give the X-men a real run for their money. With six minutes remaining the Tigers had surged into a 3-point lead. However, several costly fouls against Dal brought X back into the lead. In the final three minutes the lead changed hands four times and a final second hook shot by big 'Dude' MacDonald gave St. F.X. the ball game.

George Bendelier was again high man for Dal with 11, while Ted Brown and George Blakney came through with 9. Seven of Blakney's points came late in the second half and kept Dal in the battle. MacDonald with 14, Daigle and Sullivan with 13 and 11 lead the X-men.

Dal: Stewart 4, Blakney 9, House, Murray 7, Nicholson 4, Robertson, Bendelier 11, Brown 9, Richardson 4, Schiffman 7—55.

NOTICE

WUSC WORLD AFFAIRS SOCIETY

Frank Doyle, Executive Editor of the Halifax Chronicle-Herald will speak on his recent visit to Russia.

West Common Room

Tuesday, February 14 — 12:00

St. F.X.: Foshay 2, Sullivan 11, Daigle 13, Bouchey 6, MacDonald 14, Civiello 6, Colon 3, Vistenten 1—56.

In their first outing of the week Tuesday night against St. Mary's, the Bengals played good basketball for about ten minutes and then folded. After the ten-minute mark, the Saints were in complete control of the game and proceeded to pound out a convincingly 86-48 victory. Ted Brown with ten points was high for Dal while Bobby Healey and Bob Lehey led S.M.U.

On Thursday night the Schooners scored five quick baskets in a five-minute overtime period to edge Dal 61-58 in a Senior "B" encounter played at the St. Patrick's gym. The first half was extremely evenly played with both teams trading basket for basket. The biggest lead was a six-point margin opened up by the Schooners in the opening minutes, but as the half ended the Tigers had a slim 27-24 lead.

The second half continued much along the same pattern as the first with Dal still holding its slim lead.

Occasionally, they stretched it to five points but with less than three minutes remaining the Schooners scored three quick two-pointers to pull ahead. With two seconds to go in regulation time, Dal got the ball at mid court and George Benedelier promptly swished a two-pointer from about 55 feet out which tied the game at 51-51.

When the overtime period started the Schooners burst into the lead before Dal knew what hit them and it was all the Bengals could do to score 7 points before the clock ran out. Bill Mullane and Claude McLauchlin scored 16 and 14 points respectively to lead the Schooners while George Bendelier potted 17 to lead Dal. Bruce Stewart and Jamie Richardson chipped in with 11 and 10 points for Dal.

Dal: Bendelier 17, Stewart 11, Richardson 10, Murray 6, Nicholson 6, Brown 4, Schiffman 2, Blackney 2, Robertson, House—58.

Schooners: Douglas 7, Mullane 16, Ross 9, McLachlin 14, Piers 4, Weatherston 7, Dobson 4—61.

BASKETBALL CLINIC

with Harry Wilson

Zone vs. Man-for-Man

Zone:

"A zone offense slows the game down thereby making it dull." This is a criticism heard not too infrequently from "zone-haters". Why is this type of defense used? What advantages has it that enable it weather the storm of abuse? Well, one of the chief assets of the zone is that it is easy to teach. This removes a great coaching load from the coach hence enabling him to concentrate more on offensive manoeuvres. Some other advantages of the zone are:

- (1) allows players away from the ball to attempt interceptions.
- (2) reduces fouling as compared to man-for-man.
- (3) makes short shots difficult to obtain.
- (4) conserves energy.

Man-for-Man:

This defense is favoured more in college than in lesser leagues such as high school or playground. The main reason for this is that it takes a great deal of ability to learn and play, plus a lot of practice time which is available to college teams.

Advantages:

- (1) players may be matched according to their size and ability.
- (2) it is adaptable to various types of attack. It enables the defense to take advantage of weaknesses of opponents (by sinking, switching, double-teaming, etc.)
- (3) Excellent against outside shooting.
- (4) puts pressure on the offense.

It is sometimes difficult to determine which defense to use. I suppose it depends upon the league one is playing in and the amount of practice time available. I have noticed that several teams in the inter-faculty league are using zones. This may be a wise choice as practice time is certainly limited.

Dal Now 4-2; SMU Has 4-3 Record

Dal Tigers fell into a blue place tie with Saint Mary's Huskies Tuesday night when they were dumped 6-4 by the battling Santamarians. Dal's high-powered scoring attack was brought to a standstill as the Huskie forwards back-checked tenaciously and the defensemen defended viciously.

The forward line of Don Bauld, Vaughan Briggs, and Ray Kaizer, was the hardest working trio for the Bengals and Gene Scheible was a strong performer on the blueline. The usually powerful line of Gillies, Sim and Buntain were stopped time and again as they were unable to break into the clear to finish their plays. Wayne Keddy and Jean LeBris each scored twice for the winners with Tony Manning and Clair Campbell picking up singletons. Briggs, Steve Brown, Pete Corkum and Dave Murray each tallied once for Dal. Murray's goal was his first as a Tiger and "Cork's" was his first of the year.

The first period ended in a 1-1 draw. Briggs scored for the Tigers at the midway point but Wayne Keddy tied it at 18:13. In scoring his goal the SMU winger belted George MacDonald into the cage with the puck and the goalie had to leave the ice for repairs. The teams adjourned to their dressing rooms for the intermission and the remaining two minutes were played at the start of the second period.

Steve Brown gave Dal a short-lived lead at 7:30 of the middle stanza when he tipped Eric Parsons' pass into the net. Manning tied it up at 10:08 and LeBris scored three minutes later when he blasted a screened shot past MacDonald. Corkum tied it up at 14:49 when he batted the loose puck and the loose goaltender, Dave Cashen, into the cage.

The third period "cooked Dal's goosegoose." At 4:16, LeBris poked the puck in from a scramble. A few seconds earlier MacDonald had gone to the dressing room for repairs and was rudely greeted by the goal when he returned. Campbell scored a few minutes later and Keddy put the game on ice late in the third session when he deked MacDonald out of position and put the disc behind him. Murray concluded the scoring when he banged in Parsons' rebound from a scramble.

The Huskie defense was particularly outstanding and Cashen was able to come up with the big save when pressed. Both goalers were called on to make 22 saves in the rugged contest.

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

VARSITY HOCKEY

- Saturday, Feb. 11 Dal at X
- Tuesday, Feb. 14 Tech at Dal 8:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 11 Interfac Hockey

VARSITY BASKETBALL

- Saturday, Feb. 11 SMU at Dal 8:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Feb. 16 Tech at Dal 8:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 18 Stad at Dal 8:30 p.m.

JV BASKETBALL

- Friday, Feb. 10 Dal at Clodhoppers
- Tuesday, Feb. 14 Dal at Kings
- Thursday, Feb. 16 Barons at Dal 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 18 Bethany at Dal 7:00 p.m.

INTERFAC B'BALL

- Saturday, Feb. 11 Med A vs Engineers 1:00 p.m.
- Law A vs Dents 2:00 p.m.
- A&S B vs Education 3:00 p.m.