

Junior Bengals Edge Technical College In Close Contest

DAL HOST TO N. S. TOURNAMENT

PROS AND CONS

By D. A.

It seems to us that it's about time the local sport scribes began to give the public "an even break" rather than building every event that their pals happen to promote as "sensational". This "Battle of the Year" tripe is being served up in the sport pages regarding tonight's fight between Roy Wouters of Vancouver and Yvon Durelle of New Brunswick, the winner to meet George Ross for the Canadian middleweight title.

Undoubtedly Ross is one of the world's best middleweights. The Ring Magazine, the boxer's bible, rates him in the first thirty fighters of his weight. It is significant to note that Wouters barely makes the first two hundred and our friend Durelle, successively billed as "sensational", "terrific", and "leading contender" does not even appear on the list, which includes over three hundred men. A couple of months ago Durelle came very close to losing a decision to Coby McClusky of Dartmouth, the same McClusky that fights the four-round preliminaries on local fight cards, yet for the past two weeks the sport writers have been boosting Durelle, now Maritime champion by virtue of a victory over the aging and notoriously glass-jawed Ace McClusky.

As has been pointed out so ably by our compatriot, Mr. T. B. O'Neill, the Halifax papers (or should we say paper) shy away from taking a definite stand on any matter whatsoever, and the sport columns certainly follow that policy. It is the press-agents job to bally-hoo sporting events, and the columnists should stick to giving their readers an honest opinion of such. If it is the opinion of Mr. Foley and Mr. Nickerson of the Mail that tonight's fight is evenly matched, (Durelle has been fighting professionally for only a year) or that either of the participants would stand a chance with Ross, then we can only advise that they make a closer study of the records of these fighters.

Why try to pull the wool over the public's eyes? Give with the facts and force the promoters into providing better fights. Personally, we think the Halifax fans are being taken for a ride.

Came upon some interesting data in sport announcer Bill Stern's column, concerning the athletic careers of world-famous figures. It seems that Canada Lee, the fine Negro actor who made such a hit in "Body and Soul", was once leading contender for the world's welter-weight title. He also has the distinction of being the only Negro ever to don make-up and act the part of a white man on the Broadway stage.

Bill Murray, the successful Rocky Mount football coach learned the tricks of the game from his own coach, a man who switched from cleats to clarinets and became famous as one of America's top band-leaders: Kay Kyser.

Lou Costello, the comedian, was one of the best basketball players on the West Coast before he entered the film business.

Woodrow Wilson was the coach of winning football teams at Wesleyan and Princeton University; Abraham Lincoln was without peer, in his youth, as a wrestler, and George Washington was the boxing champion of Virginia before he joined the army.

Another footballer who gained fame as the star guard on the Amherst College squad, rose to even greater heights as a lawyer. He was Harlan P. Stone, who became the Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court. But what makes this story unusual is that he was appointed to that position by the man who had been coach of that Amherst football team, the man who became the twenty-ninth president of the United States—Calvin Coolidge.

The hockey squad takes to the ice on Saturday morning for their first game of the season: an exhibition tilt with the St. Mary's College sextet. The D.A.A.C. has had a great deal of trouble arranging for ice time, and the game is to be played at 10.00 a.m. The team deserves a lot of credit for the way in which they have responded to overcome numerous obstacles. Two mornings a week they turn out at the Arena at 7.00 a.m. In order to attend the noon-time practices many of them have to miss dinner. A number of outstanding players have been declared ineligible, and others have left to play for Kings. However, according to Manager MacInnes, and Coach "Knobby" Carleton, everything is going well, and the Gold and Black should put up a creditable showing against St. F.X. and Acadia.

The least we can do is get out and cheer for the team on Saturday. Things are tough enough for the boys. Don't let them think that their efforts are going unappreciated. With the proper type of support we could have a winner.

By the way, thanks to Mr. Fred Kelly for revising the Intercollegiate schedule. The original one would have forced the squad to abandon their Newfoundland trip.

The basketball quintet continues to rule the hoop league, undefeated in seven games, and the old smoothie, Charlie Connelly, continues to star. Mr. Mr. Vitalone we hear that in the last four games Chuck has been sinking 73 per cent of his shots. His season's average is over 60 per cent. A topnotch pro in the States gets about 35 per cent. The team average, 30 per cent, is on a par with the best of American teams.

NOTICE

Classes in Square Dancing will be held in the Gym Tuesday at 3.30 and on Thursday at 2.30. Everyone is welcome—boys, girls, Juniors, Seniors—in fact anyone who wants to come. (Especially the Freshettes who aren't appearing at their regular gym classes).

Junior Hoopsters Upset Tech Squad

The Dalhousie Junior Tigers downed the Nova Scotia Technical Collegians at the Gym last night to the tune of 45-51. This was the Tiger's second win of the season and, due to their win over the more experienced Technicians, we have reason to believe that they have come out of their recent slump.

Pat Kyte, Tech's tall, rangy centre was high man of the game scoring a total of 17 points. Clancy and Garson were the big men for the Tiger's, racking up 12 and 10 points respectively.

The game was closely contested by the Tech-men throughout, and at one time they were successful in tying the score at 37-37. The Bengals roared back however, and at the closing buzzer the scoreboard read 45-41 in favor of the Junior Bengals.

In one of the fastest and roughest games of the current Inter-Fac Basketball season the Arts and Science team defeated the Commerce aggregation 37-33. The A. and Sc. took an early lead and were successful in holding it until the dying minutes when the Commercemen threatened with a great rush of power. High man of the game was Gerry McCurdy with 13 points followed by Fancy with 7. The final score was 37-33 in favor of the Arts and Science team.

The "B" Team (the girls that Miss Evans is saving for next year) won their first game of the season when they turned back the Y.W.C.A. girls by the lopsided score of 12-02. The low scoring of the "Y" girls can be attributed to the excellent guarding by Joan McCurdy and Nita MacDonald. The forwards also played well, with Joan Baxter turing in a standout performance.

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Dal Girls "A" Squad Crushes St. Pats Girls 34-9 In Hoop Tilt

In a scheduled league game last Thursday night the Dal "A" squad smashed the St. Pat's team by a score of 34-9. Marilyn MacIntyre and Betty Cousins were the stars of the game, putting in 30 of the 34 pts. between them. Mariyn tossed in 19 and "Cuz" put up 11. These two starry forwards are really a great team and if the pace at which they are travelling now is any indication of "things to come", they should be really terrific by the time Intercollegiate play rolls around. Gay Esdale is playing on this line and is working in very well. Her shift from guard to forward was a wise move. Franny Doane and Gay notched up the 4 other points for Dal.

Lucy Calp and Betty Petrie were the main-stays on the guard line. Lucy, calm and cool, as usual, was right in there for all the rebounds.

The "A" team has really improved tremendously since they last encountered St. Pat's, in that game, they won by the slim margin of three points. An increased margin of 22 pts. is nothing to be easily overlooked. The "A" ball handling has taken a definite change for the better. This is due to the patient efforts of Andy MacKay and "Arpy" Robertson, who are helping to put the team through their paces at the noon-time practices.

University-Sponsored Badminton Meet Begins Today With 200 Entries

Nova Scotia's first Open Provincial Badminton Tournament will be held in the Dal Gym January 20 and 21. The tourney will get underway at 5 p.m. today and continue until late Saturday night. This events is the first of its kind to be in local badminton circles, and is under the sponsorship of the University. If it is successful, it will be held every year, if possible.

Badminton stars from all over the Maritimes will be participating. A large number of enthusiasts from Dal will be playing, including Noel Hamilton, Doug Rouse, Joe Levison and Heather MacKinnon. Also in the line-up of local stars are the Longard sisters—Annie and Gladys, and the Bauld brothers.

Big Game With X-Men Planned

The day is drawing close. In the not too distant future the biggest hoop game of the year will be played at the Dal Gym. Predictions of the outcome of the battle are being tossed back and forth. Odds are being quoted and money is being wagered like water. Every game played until that date will only be a building up of tension for the "big one".

You have already guessed who are opponents by now. None other than the X men of St. Francis Xavier University of Antigonish.

The word going round the campus is that "this is the year we take 'X'". Butsy O'Brien, a conservative from way back, has even gone as far as saying that he will treat the Tigers to steak dinners if they emerge victorious.

Confidence is very good, but over-confidence can lead to our downfall. Dalhousians, let's not "count our chickens before they are hatched". Word leaking out of "X" territory has it that the Xavier hoopsters are as strong, if not stronger than last year's squad which beat Sault Ste. Marie for the Dominion Intermediate crown.

The X-men are currently on their annual tour through New Brunswick and the State of Maine and are playing against top flight competition. As of yet not too many results of the games played are known by your reporter but I do know that the X-men have beaten a strong Saint John team.

Playing against good teams can do no harm. In basketball circles there is an old saying that "it's better to lose to a great team than rolling over a poor one".

The fact can not be disputed that with the exception of the Saint John Atlantics, the Vita-men have not seen good competition. Our easy victories over Stah and Shearwater must be riscounter.

If the Dal hoopsters want to eat

Annie Longard and Noel Hamilton, who team up to form the Maritimes Mixed Doubles champion team, will be displaying their talent. The matches in which they take part will be well worth watching.

The semi-finals will be played on Saturday afternoon, and the finals will be run off on Saturday evening. Prizes will be presented to the winners by Dr. A. E. Kerr, President of the University.

So far approximately one hundred and eighty-eight entries have been received. This certainly shows how prominent a position badminton has attained in the local sports circles. Approximately six matches will be played off at once, so let's hope that the bleachers will be as full as the floor. You'll be able to see some really top play, and perhaps learn a few pointers about badminton. All Dal students will be admitted for the small fee of 10 cents.

steak dinners they will have to work and train a little harder than usual. But don't get me wrong. I'm 100% behind the Tigers.

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DAILY DOUBLE

NOTICE

"The Chemistry and Physics Journal Club will meet in the Physics Theatre on Tuesday, January 24 at 5 p.m. The first speaker, Mr. J. E. Blanchard, will discuss "The Magnetic Field Within the Earth." Mr. A. R. Reid, the second speaker, will deal with "Syn-

thesis of Carbohydrates by Use of Acetylenic Precursors".

NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the Psychology Club, held at Shirreff Hall, at 8 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 24th. Two films will be shown.