Ameracadiaization

Exerpts from The Americanization of Acadia by BRUCE KIDD

they have in the case of Canadian hockey, the devastation

Winning teams are what counts at Acadia and to get them

the university has built a \$2.5 million athletic building and

filled it with tough-talking American coaches and razzle-

dazzle American scholarship athletes. Performance-wise

the program's been a tremendous success, for already

Acadia's basketball team has reached the national finals

three times and brought back the championship once. But

cent of the athletic budget, raised through compulsory

student fees, is spent on the three favoured intercollegiate

sports of football, basketball, and hockey, leaving little for

other sports and the intra-mural program. Although

Acadia's scuba diving club is the largest collegiate club in

Canada, for example, it receives no assistance from the

Another major complaint concerns the availability of the

new athletic building: most of the time it's monopolized by

the major teams. And when one of the intercollegiate teams

are playing, all other facilities are locked up to encourage

The American coaches at Acadia have shown little in-

terest in the indigenous sporting traditions of the Maritimes

(the gym is plastered with pictures of American sports heroes) and in developing Maritime athletes (as Dalhousie

And all this is defended on the grounds that in-

tercollegiate athletic success is necessary for alumni

Student leaders at Acadia charge that more than 80 per

and dehumanization of sport necessarily occur.

everybody else is out in the cold.

full attendance...

has done so successfully

dollars and institutional survival.

Panthers pounce

Bengals beaten

by Tom Barry

unknown in the field of offensive colleagues. Dalhousie athletics, was witnessed last Saturday as missing

defence did not live up to that our gridiron "heros"

seemed far more interested

Granted, the offence was the U.P.E.I. Panthers quarterback Rick Rivers severely trounced the Tigers (among others) which by an impressive margin of meant that Jimmy de la Mothe had to fill in. De la The inept Tiger offence was Mothe, who hasn't played impotent for the second quarterback for two years straight week, as they failed did an admirable job for a to garner a single point fellow playing both ways on against a psyched-up Pan- a rainsoaked field. Yet one ther defence. Even the Dal cannot help but conclude

expectations. However, they have little or no pride in themselves or in the school A complete collapse, not in the proceedings than their they represent. A seemingly lax and cocky attitude prior to the UNB game. The loss to UNB was a disappointment; the defeat at the hands of the Panthers - a

> An unidentified person, closely associated with the Tigers who was present at the game remarked that the Tigers were overconfident and showed no desire before or during the contest. Rivers, Lewington, Carriere and Burley were not present but are these sufficient excuses to account for total impotency?

U.P.E.I. can be credited with providing good running and quarterback to challenge the Tiger defence. Quarterback Dionisi amazed everyone with his heads-up football and ability to run on his own. His play reminds us of the days of St. Dunstan's Jim Foley who played a comparable type of game, but was not quite as successful.

It is unnecessary to say fact doesn't seem to be doing team that will play as such.

has prevailed at practice

Great harm is done to sport and its participants when it is organized for purposes external to sport itself. When the precepts of the market place become the goals of sport, as

Statistics are not available due to the rain, but the score speaks for itself. Obviously, the Tigers didn't do too much right or the margin of Panther victory would not have been so outstanding.

much more. Blame it on them a hell of a lot of good on overconfidence, lack of pride, Saturday afternoons. The or depleted desire -- it really most disappointing element is makes no difference. What is that the potential is there. obvious is that the Dalhousie The ability to click is not. The Tigers still have some of the stigma which has been ours best "individuals" in the will probably remain with us conference. However, this until Dalhousie can mold a

MILES FOR MILLIONS: Dalhousie's cross country team is a charitable institution. Although Tiger Rick Munroe placed first, UNB tracksters garnered all other awards in the event.

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Saturday, Oct. 31 - Football. Acadia at Dal 1:30. - Soccer U de M at Dal 4:00. - Field Hockey Dal at Acadia 1:30. - Hallowe'en Dance McInnis Room 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 1 - "Sunday Purgatory" Coffee House. SUB cafeteria 9:00 -

Friday, Nov. 6 - Field Hockey Dal at UNB 3:00.

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