

# FROM THE SPORTS DESK

by PAUL FARLEY

One of the best hockey games in years was seen by Dal fans when a tremendous team effort by the hockey Tigers gained a 3-3 tie with powerful St. Francis Xavier. Playing like the Tigers after which they are named, they held last year's league champions to 3 goals and scored as many themselves.

### NEW LINES CLICK

Playing without Mercer, Murray and Kaizer, coach Fitzgerald was forced to make several line changes, which included moving MacKeigan and Drmaj up to the first line with Buntain. This line played at least half the game, being used both in power plays and penalty-killing roles in addition to their regular duties.

Levitz, Cruickshanks and Sullivan took up most of the rest of the slack and accounted for two of Dal's goals. Considering the calibre of the team they were playing they turned in a remarkable performance.

### OFFENSE SPECTACULAR

One miraculous facet of the game was the Dalhousie defense. St. F.X. had 57 shots on the Dal net and undoubtedly there would have been many more had it not been for the shots stopped by the defensemen. In fact, everyone was throwing themselves in front of X shots with wild abandon.

### GOOD FAN SUPPORT

The tremendous team spirit generated by the Dal hockey players could be felt in the stands. The "oohs" and "ahs" as George MacDonald kicked out labeled shot after labeled shot made the rink vibrate. At the end of regulation time when the team received its third standing ovation most members of the team could hardly stand.

The tremendous fan support given to the Tigers last Saturday is indicative of what the Dalhousie Fans are capable of when provided with a contending team. They were with the Tigers all the way and shared their joys and sorrows from beginning to end.

### ODDS BEATEN

The cards were certainly stacked against Dal going into the game and it seemed as if a rout was inevitable. However, the "never say die" attitude of the coach, Walter Fitzgerald, together with an aroused team combined to beat the odds and spell success for Dal.

### ELIGIBILITY

There is now in effect an eligibility rule which states that a player may engage in four years of varsity sport. One year is interpreted as being on the varsity team roster for one game. It does not matter if the player does not even get into the game, he still has only three years of eligibility left.

Obviously in a team players' rookie year he is bound to be used sparingly, but sometimes it takes participation in one varsity game to show that the man is not yet of varsity caliber. Still, this is one year gone.

### SUGGESTED CHANGE

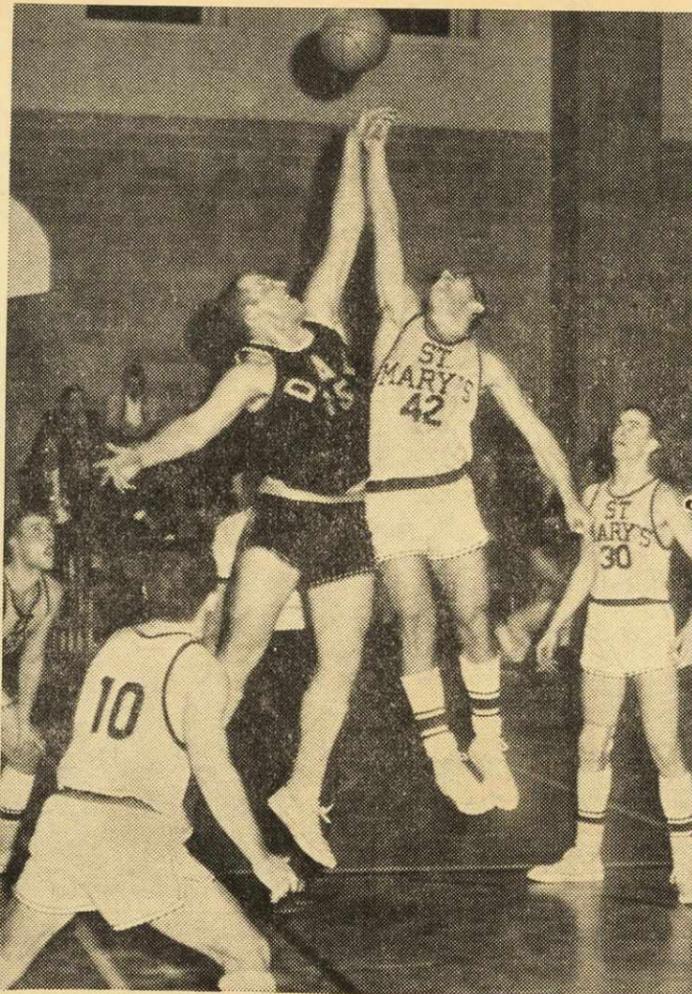
I would like to suggest that the rule as it now reads is inadequate and prevents some good students who are good athletes from playing as much good varsity sport as to which they are morally entitled. I think a rewording of the rule perhaps that 25% of the schedule must be played to use one year's eligibility, is in order, and I further think that the Dalhousie representatives on the Maritime Intercollegiate Athletic Committee would be good people to start the ball rolling for a change.

### VARSITY SWIMMING

Congratulations to Miss Arnold and her swim team who made a very credible showing against Acadia. The Dal men won by a score of 51-33 and the ladies lost 62-40. Miss Arnold, who coaches the men's team as well as the women's, has been a very welcome addition to the Dalhousie Athletic staff and her charges should make their presence felt before the year is over.

### VARSITY BASKETBALL

Dalhousie basketball team played its first game against SMU who will be one of their opponents in the Intercollegiate league, when they were downed by SMU 101-67. Reports indicate that the Santamarians were hitting on a good percentage of their shots whereas Dal had good ball control but couldn't seem to find the target as well. However, the experience gained in the game will no doubt be of great value to the Tigers when their schedule gets under way after Christmas.



DICK MacLEAN is shown above in a centre jump against an unidentified St. Mary's player. This action took place in last Saturday's exhibition tilt between the Tigers and Huskies won by the Huskies 101-67. Earlier in the week the varsity Tigers came from behind to defeat the Studley Grads, composed of former varsity players, 68-58. (Photo by Thornhill)

### HOT AND COLD

The highest temperature ever recorded in Canada was 115 in Southern Alberta and interior B.C. The lowest ever recorded was 81 below at Snag, NWT, in 1947.

## Swim Teams Split

Last Saturday, Nov. 30, the Dalhousie Swim Team hosted the Acadia Swim Team at H.M.S. Shearwater's 25 meter pool.

This was the first time ever that Dalhousie hosted a swim meet and a great deal of thanks is owed the students who helped run the meet.

### WOMEN LOSE

The Dal women's team was rather unfortunate in that only four girls swam. A good team should have six to eight swimmers each capable of swimming two competitive strokes. The women's team won 3 out of 12 events with no diving event. The Acadia women's team beat Dal's women, 62 to 40. We hope that the experienced female swimmers on campus will take this to heart and turn out for the team.

### MEN WIN

The Dal men's team did very well taking first place in 9 out of 10 swimming events. We were unable to enter the men's diving due to lack of training facilities for potential divers. Often entering only one swimmer against Acadia's two, quality rather than quantity enabled the Dal men's swim team to defeat Acadia's men, 51 to 33.

### MEMBERS

Swimming for the women were Karen Jamieson, Dawne Heath, Susan Lane, and Lois Hare. The men's team consisted of John Finley, Dave Clark, Lee Kirby, Dave Archibald, Rob Murray, and Gord MacMichael.

Lois Hare was outstanding on the women's team while all but Dave Clark who had to compete with team mate Rob Murray took 1st place in one or more men's events.

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