

**SPORT
REPORT**
BY BOB TUCK



The talk of the campus this morning (Wednesday) is the hockey team. Those people who sadly shook their heads last Saturday after seeing the Tigers narrowly avert defeat at the hands of Acadia, are now scratching their heads. For Acadia did not have the reputation of having a first-rate hockey team. And St. Dunstan's were the Maritime Intercollegiate Champions. Moreover St. Dunstan's had not lost a game all season long, and had been sweeping aside all opposition in the Charlottetown "Senior" League. The whole situation needs some examination. Before the Acadia game this wise observer made the prediction that the Tigers would have a shaky first period but would settle down and win the game. That's what happened. The reason for the shaky first period was that it was the first time the Dal team had taken the ice to play a game at full strength. The two exhibition games the week before were played without Robertson, O'Neill and MacMillan. It's very hard for a team to immediately start to click with players who have not been playing previously, even if those players are stars in their own right. And it is still going to take a few games before they hit top stride.

Of course Jimmy Gray played a prominent part in the St. Dunstan's victory. Jimmy is ineligible for intercollegiate play. But Windy O'Neill was absent, and if Gray's presence strengthened the forwards O'Neill's absence weakened the defence. And one of St. Dunstan's top players, Mahar, who picked up two assists Tuesday night, is ineligible for intercollegiate play also. The game was an exhibition, but its result throws a new light on the Maritime Intercollegiate picture.

The ski-trip to the Wentworth Valley by the Dartmouth Ski Club, seems to have been more of a Dalhousie affair than anything else. Ski-ing has been rather dormant around Dal for a number of years, but enthusiasm for the sport has picked up considerably this term. The trip to the Wentworth Valley turned out to be an unqualified success, and some of the Dal skiers had been casting longing eyes on the Maritime Ski-Meet to be held at U.N.B. in the near future. However the D. A. A. C. has been unwilling to forward funds for the journey; their reasons are the best of course, dictated by economy and the need of all their budget for more important, budget provided for expenses. However, those interested feel sure that such Dal skiers as Bob Pond, Dave Snow, Jamie MacKay, Jimmy Coupland, Jack Wilcox and Bob Willett would give a good account of themselves in an Intercollegiate Meet.

DISA & DATA: King's Junior basketball team sprang the upset of the Halifax League season by defeating Dartmouth 53-14 at the Y. M. C. A. gym. Saturday night — Our respect for Acadia sportsmanship was given quite a boost over the week-end — Acadia Axemen basketball team defeated Liverpool All-Stars 41-21 at Wolfville — The U. N. B. Brunswickian proclaims its hockey team "invulnerable." They defeated a team called the Devon "Dairy Kings" — Woodstock defeated Mt. A. Varsity 65-64. Must have been quite a game — The same Mt. A. team showed tremendous power as they defeated Moncton C. Y. O. 80-42.

**Acadia Drops Dal 36-24
In Listless Hoop Match**

Dalhousie's second start in the Nova Scotia Intercollegiate Basketball League turned out to be a dismal one as the Tigers were badly beaten by Acadia University, 36 to 24, at the Dal gym last Saturday night. Played before a packed-in crowd, the game was a slow-moving contest that produced little really good basketball. The visiting Axemen threw up a strong zone defence that completely befuddled the Tigers.

Until the final six minutes of the contest, however, it was an extremely close game. But then Dal, striving to tie the score, left itself wide open, and Acadia breezed through the last minutes to win easily.

The game started very slowly, and it was not until five minutes had been played that the first score of the contest materialized. E. DeMont at that point dropped in a set shot to put Acadia out in front, 2-0. The rest of the first half was nip and tuck with the Axemen, on the strength of White's set shot, holding a 14-to-13 advantage at the intermission.

The second half saw the visitors open the lead to 23 to 18 in

the first five minutes of the period. Dal, on their foul shooting, narrowed the margin to 25-22, with six minutes to play, but then the Tigers, in their desperate effort to get moving, abandoned the defense, and the Axemen put together a string of five straight points to up the lead to 31-22. This clinched the game beyond all doubt for the Axemen. After Scot Morrison had hit with a pivot shot for the Tigers, Acadia closed the scoring with a run of six straight markers. Just how sturdy the Axemen's defense was is reflected in the fact that the Gold and Black could score only three field goals in the second half, only one in the last fifteen minutes.

The outstanding player of the contest was Acadia's White. Not only did this star score eight points to take second place in the scoring parade, but he also was a tower of strength on defense besides playing a smart floor game. The top scorer of the fray was Acadia's E. DeMont with nine points. For the Tigers, Morrison paced the attack with seven markers.

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**TIGERS TAKE ACADIA
IN HOCKEY THRILLER**

D.G.A.C.

By Bev. Huntingdon

Dal girls have swung right into sports this term, and are reaping rewards already. Badminton tournaments are coming to the end of the singles and have shown a number of fine players, and also many new at the game—Marg. O'Neill, to mention one—who are making it tough for players of long standing.

The basketball first and second teams won at Edgehill last Saturday, triumphing over the Windsorites with the scores 42-15 and 30-3. The big game this week takes place when the first team battles it out with Acadia in the Valley's sparring ground on Saturday. The teams are good, and show a remarkably high standard of enthusiasm, but would probably do even better if they tried to keep the ball moving faster, and hereby catching opposing teams off-balance oftener. Eileen Landrigan has been chalking up a record number of baskets, and with Marg O'Neill forms one of the first team's most active menaces to opposition forces. The Dal 3 team met with reverses when they were defeated by the Convent and the Y.W.C.A. General feeling among the members of the team is that no one really cares how they do; however it's very much a false feeling, and if some spectators would only show up to cheer the team forward, who knows what miracles might be done! Dal 2 swept King's off in a 36-30 victory Tuesday night, and Dal 1 rode down the Dal Grads to a 16-10 win the following night. Basketball schedules for the following two weeks are as follows:

- Feb. 9—Dal 3 vs. King's
- Feb. 11—H.C.A. Grads vs Dal 1
- Q.E.H. Grads vs Dal Grads
- Feb. 12—Y.W.C.A. vs Dal 2
- Feb. 16—King's vs. Dal 2
- Feb. 17—Q.E.H. Grads vs. Dal 1
- H.C.A. Grads vs. Dal Grads
- Feb. 19—Dal 3 vs. Y.W.C.A.

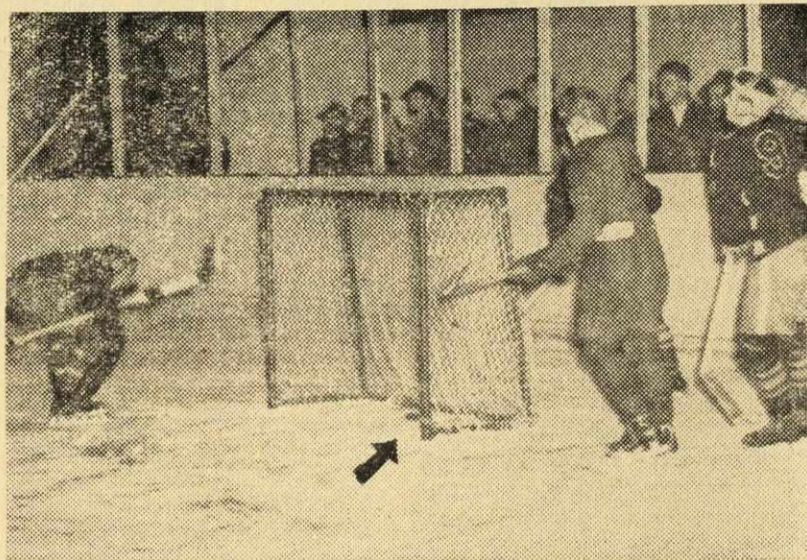
All games except the last one are to be played in the Gym.—the last one is at the Y.W.C.A.

Watch the notice-boards for a chance to sign up in badminton doubles, and also ping-pong. For ping-pong a good turnout is expected, and Shirreff Hall should sign in full force if the use of the Hall ping-pong is any criterion. If you are not a freshette, soph., junior, etc., and would still like to play in the tournaments, see either your class representative or Holly Flemming.

**DAL JUNIORS WIN
AGAINST Q.E.H.**

The Dal Junior team turned in its most convincing performance since before Christmas last Saturday night when they trounced Q. E. H., 64 to 24, at the Dal gym. Not only did the squad untrack itself from the lethargy it has been in during the second half of the campaign, but the team functioned smoothly in brushing aside the high school outfit. Dal's shooting, off in recent outings, was red hot in this contest, and when the team recovered from a slow start, the

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NOT SO PROUD: Shown above is Acadia goaltender Proud in one of his more disillusioned moments. The Axeman netminder is gazing repentantly at a little black puck (arrow) which is resting lazily in his own citadel, quite comfortable now after its headlong flight down the ice on Dalhousie sticks. Teddy Leblanc scored the goal, but he is obscured by Acadia defenceman Walker as he rounds the net. Paul Lee, who set up the goal, is on the extreme right.

The Dalhousie hockey Tigers won their first intercollegiate start of the season at the Forum Saturday afternoon, as they eked out a 4-3 win over the Acadia Axemen. Dalhousie undoubtedly had the better hockey team, but the visitors were superior on condition and team-play.

From a Dalhousie point of view, the first period was a night-mare. Acadia scored three soft goals without a reply from the gold and black, and ended the period with a 3-0 advantage. Tiger plays weren't clicking, the defence looked weak at times, and Ron Timothy in the Dal nets was far from his best. The first goal was scored by MacKenzie after Walker's pass, but the play should have been broken up by the defence long before the Acadia forward got a chance to shoot. Moe Smith made it 2-0 on an assist

from MacFarlane several minutes later. Dalhousie began to untrack themselves somewhat later in the period, but Bateman, after breaking up a Dal rush, took a shot on which Timothy allowed a long rebound, and Bryson Crowell, as the puck landed on his stick, sank a weak shot to the far corner. The shots in the period were even, 8-8.

The Dalhousie team came out for the second period with blood in their collective eyes, and the

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CO-ED DAYS!!

AND WHADDA YA KNOW

It's Leap Year . . .

FEBRUARY 11, 12, 13, 1948

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11 —

8-10:00 p. m. Bridge Party, Men's Residence
10-12:00 p. m. Dancing
Dancing — 50c; Both — 75c

THURSDAY, FEB. 12 —

Until 10:00 p. m. Library
10:00-12:00 p. m. 'Get Together,' Shirreff Hall — Bring Cakes.

FRIDAY, FEB. 13 — "O HAPPY DAY!!"

9-1:00 Sadie Hawkin's Dance, Gym, \$1.25
Bring your own lunch boxes
Dress: Dogpatch style
Corsages on sale at Dance.

NOTE: Dance programmes may be bought from Pat MacKinnon — Shirreff Hall and Elsie Cruickshank.

Gals!! Dial Pine Hill 3-8576

Dal Men's Residence 3-9848

King's Men's Residence 3-9602