

Road Trip Factor In Raider Loss

by Mike Noble

St. Dunstan's University Saints have a real hustling ball club this year with coach Ed Milton expecting big things of his talented court jesters. Last weekend, in a home encounter on the Island, the fast stepping Saints overcame a 39-33 half time deficit to score an 86-75 victory over UNB's Red Raiders. The game marked the official opening of the NB-PEI Inter-collegiate loop.

It was a well played ball game on both sides, closely contested all the way, before the travel weary UNB squad seemed to wilt under the fast pace of the second half. The Raiders controlled the game in its early stages with some fine rebounding under offensive and defensive boards, and at half time, indications among the fans were the UNB basketballers would continue to dominate possession of the ball. Not until the three-quarter mark did the SDU team rally around the fine shooting of Sirois to overcome the Raider lead and build one of its own. The locals had a few tense and anxious moments when the visiting UNB team whittled the 7-point margin to a slim 1 with but five minutes remaining. However, UNB had nothing left as the St. Dunstan's aggregation ran up a winning margin of 11 points, and an 86-75 victory.

Offensively, UNB used coach Nelson's continuity offense quite successfully in the first half against St. Dunstan's, but the roof fell in when the locals broke the Red Raiders 1-3-1 zone to grab the lead, forcing Nelson to move to a man to man defense. The Saints' coach utilized all of his time-outs in an effort to keep one step ahead of Nelson. He analysed and effectively blocked UNB's most potent threat of the afternoon by defending UNB high scorer Laird McLennan by playing to his left side, and forcing him to his weaker right. McLennan pick up 19 of his 26 markers in the first half. With the "big" man stopped, the onus shifted to the other team members in the bid for point production. They performed well, and as a team, but they couldn't hit together often enough to provide the winner. Centre man Don Morgan had his soft touch with his jumper working in his favour, but was unable to get the ball when in scoring position. Ted Tomchak, starting from the guard position didn't take advantage of many scoring opportunities and would not shoot. His counterpart on the court, Rollie Labonte felt like shooting, and shoot he did, but he was off form. UNB's only big man, Clary Lay fouled out in the first half, and team captain Roy Miller just couldn't get going. UNB were just out "defensed".

It was a very closely called game with 52 infractions being whistled down, 27 against the hometown Saints. The refereeing was a little tight according to a UNB spokesman, but fair to both teams. UNB favours more freedom under the boards as do most U. S. colleges across the border. The visitors hit for 17 of 33 from the foul line while the Saints counted on 22 of 37 free throws.

The Saints were paced by little (5'9", 145 lbs.) Sirois with a 34-point production. Heine tossed home 15 points, while Sassi, team captain, and Garrity counted 10 apiece, followed by Desroches, a former ME University football star, with 9. Laird McLennan scored 26 in a losing effort, with Morgan meshing 14, and Labonte 13, while captain Roy Miller contributed 9.

The situation facing Nelson now, is if both SDU and UNB down McFarlane's Hawks in both tilts, then the loop crown will be a total point affair between UNB and SDU. SDU sport an 11-point bulge in the first half of this encounter, UNB must overcome it in their next game slated for UNB.

Tonite the Raiders hit the road again to tangle with highly rated Ricker of Houlton, Me. in a regularly scheduled game of the NECC. Ricker beat Mt. A. Friday 74-46, but lost to St. Dunstan's Saturday 73-62.

SCORING

Saint Dunstan's:
Heine 15, Sassi 10, Desroches 9, Sirois 34, Francour 6, Farrell 2, Garrity 10, Bonney, Marr, Pelrine. Total 86.
UNB:
Miller 9, Tomchak 6, Morgan 14, Labonte 13, McLennan 26, Harvey, Lay 4, Browne 2, Baber 1, Jones. Total 75.

Tommies Outskate Red Devils 3-2

by JIM DOLEMAN, Sports Editor

Chatham, N.B. — The St. Thomas College Tommies defending NB-PEI puck champs, came from behind in the third period with 2 goals off the sticks of Paul Grannen and Greg Morris to edge the UNB Devils 3-2 on Saturday. The contest, staged at the Lord Beaverbrook Arena in Chatham, was the first of the NB-PEI season for each club.

The contest was highly defensive throughout, and opened with heavy checking on both sides. The Devils were thrown off stride by the fast ice surface and could not click with their line plays. They failed to gain a shot on Keith Raymond in the STC net until the 16:00 mark.

Tommie right winger John Lordon, who materialized as the high scorer with a goal and two assists, combined with defence-man Max Legere minutes later to put STC ahead 1-0. Lordon slid the shot past Inch from a position 20 feet to the left of the cage, 1 second remaining in the opening stanza.

The middle period was featured with heavy hitting and superb goaltending from Dave Inch who arose on numerous occasions to stop starry Brian Jones on the doorstep.

The Devil attack once again seemed to be throttled as they were held to a mere 7 shots on goal, however Dick Clark and Francis Hughes capitalized on two of these to send the Devils ahead 2-1.

The UNB squad was unable to keep the lead for long. St. Thomas came back within two minutes of the third period as Grannen blinked the red light from a scramble in front of the UNB cage. Greg Morris added another before the halfway mark to ice a 3-2 victory for the Tommies.

Coach Vince Toner utilized his strength to the utmost, playing classy Brian Jones for most of the game. While not figuring in any of the St. Thomas markers, he was on the ice for all three STC goals.

The Devils were outshot by the wide margin of 30-16, however this is hardly a true indication of the play. The STC strategy usually called for them to shoot the puck in the UNB zone and chase it in. The Tommies were constantly peppering Dave Inch with long shots, especially in the case of lanky Ed Hospodar who boomed his slapshot continually from outside the blue line.

For the Devils the contest was

STU 3 — Devils 2	
First Period	
1—STU, Lordon (Legere) 19:59	
Penalties: Grant 7:29, Inch 11:52, Lordon 12:52, Monteith 15:29.	
Second Period	
2—UNB, Clark (Bolitho, Wells) 0:34	
3—UNB, Hughes (Farquharson) 15:14	
Penalties: Monteith 7:04.	
Third Period	
4—STU, Grannen (Lordon) 1:31	
5—STU, Morris (Lordon) 8:54	
Stops: Inch	10 11 9 — 30
Raymond	6 5 5 — 16

Individual Devil Scoring

	Goals	A	Pts.	PIM
MacGillivray	8	3	11	2
Clark	4	5	9	8
Barteaux	3	3	6	5
Bolitho	1	5	6	6
Wells	1	4	5	15 + GM
Hughes	2	2	4	12
Violette	2	2	4	2
Marchant	1	3	4	6
Cloutier	1	2	3	2
Naylor	1	1	2	6

Sports Scope

by DOUG McKINLEY

UNB suffered two rather humiliating defeats last weekend when the Saint Dunstan's "American" basketball squad convincingly trounced the Red Raiders 86 to 75 and the Saint Thomas Tommies overpowered the Red Devils 3 to 2.

The Raiders, playing immediately after a tiring bus trip which could have been a contributing factor in their loss, although I doubt it, led the red and white cagers by a 6-point margin at the end of the first half. At the three-quarter mark the "Yankees" closed the gap and dominated the play for the final 10 minutes to become victorious by a very important eleven points. Important because the Raiders will have to defeat the St. Dunstan squad by at least 12 points in their next encounter here on Feb. 3 if they hope to win the NB-PEI title. After talking to most of the Raider players, the mutual feeling seems to be that they will beat the St. Dunstan squad by the necessary 12 points. (Zeus be with them). Their reasons for losing their first game against the Saints were varied; outplayed, couldn't hit the basket, and the referees were calling the play too close; a point which I agree with fully as proven by the number of infractions called, 52. Such a number as this is ridiculous and must certainly infer that the referees were on the incompetent side. However, the fouls were evenly distributed with the Saints hitting for the bigger percentage; perhaps the Raiders need lessons on the foul line.

Switching sports and districts we see the Red Devils leaving Chatham, the home of the St. Thomas Tommies carrying the weight of a 3 to 2 defeat. The Tommies completely outclassed and outplayed the Devils. They outshot them, outchecked them, outskated them and outthrustled them. Except for a few individuals, the play was similar to that of last Wednesday against the Oilers (slack). There is only one reason for their loss, the Tommies practice for two hours a night, every night of the week. Consequently, the Tommies are in better condition and more polished than the UNB squad. It is therefore a must that the Devils be given more ice time. The amount of time that they practice is so little that one can readily see why they were outthrustled, outskated and generally outplayed. In my opinion the '62 Devils have more spirit and individual ability than the Devils of the previous three or four years. All they lack is practice time which is so important.

This too was a very important game to lose and the Devils must beat the Tommies by at least two goals when they meet again Jan. 27; that is if they also want to win the NB-PEI title.

I've heard from various fans that there are still too many individuals on both the basketball and hockey squads and not enough team play. This is a statement which I beg to differ with. I feel that there is more team play and less glory seeking individuals on both squads this year than in previous years; however, there are exceptions which I won't mention now.

I've also heard and I agree with this, that some of the players are resting on their laurels, which is obvious in some cases and becoming more apparent in others.

Possibly these poor souls should read the last four lines of a poem that is posted on the wall at the Ohio State basketball team's dressing room where the incomparable Jerry Lucas and his teammates can see it every day. The lines are these:

**The moral of this quaint example,
Is to do just the best that you can.
Be proud of yourself but remember,
There is no indispensable man.**

HERE and THERE: Don Ciotti suffered a possible broken rib while blocking a shot in the first period; Dave Inch and Don Wells both played standout games, (so what else is new); looking forward to seeing Don Wells wearing his Earl of Norfolk chapeau around campus; Norm Bolitho has another new cute saying, "Oh why don't you grow up", isn't that sweet; Georgie Cloutier is really wowing them with his new set of wheels; rumour has it that Don Ciotti also has an ulcer; Bob Baber was off his game Friday due to some emotional conflict of the heart; Ted "Ojibway" Tomchak should take more shots in court action; it is indeed unfortunate that Laird McLennan can't shoot from the right, if he could he would probably average 30 points a game; hats off to Dave Bassett who put UNB into the limelight over the Xmas recess by winning the Toronto and District Junior Squash Championship.

MERMAIDS DOWN SAINT JOHN "Y"

The UNB Mermaids are on their way. Saturday they defeated the Saint John "Y" Dolphinettes with an impressive score of 48 to 34. UNB won both relays, medley and freestyle to give them the 14 points difference. Thus it was a close meet all the way.

Credit must be given to the Dolphinettes. They swam well and forced the Mermaids to new personal records. Improvement was shown by every member of the UNB team in freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly events. Especially exciting were the times turned in by Janet Skelton and Judy Ritchie in the 100 yard freestyle 1:15.6 and 1:15.7. These are an improvement of 2 full seconds.

Badminton Sessions

Following are the periods which will be available for Badminton sessions during the next week. It is hoped that the students and faculty will take advantage of these periods to come out and enjoy some badminton.

Saturday, Jan. 20—7:00-10:00.
Tuesday, Jan. 23—8:30-11:00.

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Following the concert the students and faculty are welcome at a reception in the Art Centre in Memorial Hall where they will have the opportunity to meet and talk with the performers.