

Dal Girls Swamp U. N. B. 59-12



SPORTSCAN

by Max Burnes

ONE UP, ONE DOWN

After the dust had settled on the battle weary gym floor Saturday Dal teams had won an overwhelming victory in one game and lost a heart breaker in another.

In the first game the Dal girls clawed, chewed and completely outclassed U.N.B. in the first game for the Maritime Intercollegiate Championship.

The Woodside twins were at their best and looked like two streaks of mercury against the erratic visitors. With the rest of the Tigers playing outstanding ball the visitors were never in the running or even the walking as they had few good shots, few good players and too much time.

In the second game the Varsity Tigers blew a big lead and lost in the last minute of play. Acadia decided to rough it up a bit and the Tigers started to pile on the baskets. On two different occasions they led the Axemen by 16 points. The men from the Valley started to cut the lead but it still looked like a sure thing for Dal, but all of a sudden the Tigers were trailing for the first time in the game. With the score 55-54 for the Axemen and with mere seconds left in the game Doug Clancy got two free tries. Doug had been playing terrific basketball all afternoon and the fans sat back waiting and hoping. The result is now past history of how Clancy missed the two points that would have meant victory. However, one has to remember the pressure that was on Doug. Some athletes can go through a career and never be faced with a situation where the outcome of a game is directly on his or her shoulders. The chances are fifty-fifty that a fellow will come through. Saturday Doug Clancy found himself in that precarious position. Doug missed and therein lies the story not only of the game, but also of sport, for as long as there are Doug Clancy's and thrilling finishings people will watch athletes in action.

From Commerce To Yankees

All around Dal athlete Wilson Parsons gets his chance at the big time. Earlier this winter the big fellow was looked at by the Cleveland Indians. After seeing Pars work out in a local gym the Cleveland scout offered Wills a substantial bonus on the spot. After contacting the Yanks which were the first big league club interested, Parsons found out that the Yanks were the club of his choice. Whether his Commerce training had any influence is a debatable question. At any rate it is off to St. Petersburg for Big Wills. Some observers believe that the Yankees may become the greatest "whist" playing team in the world, at least they took a step in the right direction when they signed the Commerce student from Dal.

Guards Outstanding

While the Girls' Basketball team appears to be a sure thing for Maritime Championship, the sometimes overlooked players on the squad are the guards. In limiting the opposition to only 12 points Saturday Gerry Grant, Sally Roper, Carol Cole and Jean MacLeod played sparkling defensive basketball. While their names never appear in the scoring column, they are nevertheless one of the most important cogs in our winning machine.

U. N. B. Girls Crushed By Dalhousie Tigerettes

In the first game of a home and home total point series Dal's Varsity Girls' Basketball team downed U.N.B. Saturday afternoon at the Dal gym 59-12. The series is for the Maritime Intercollegiate Championship.

Getting off to a fast start the Dal girls were never in trouble and dominated the play throughout the game. At one stage it was a thrill to see the New Brunswickers get a clear shot at the basket. Betty Brown got 6 points for the visitors, exactly half her teams total. Without Miss Brown in the lineup the visitors might just as well have served tea and crumpets instead of looking out of place on a basketball court.

For the smooth as silk Tigers, Elaine Woodside was the smoothest of them all as she ran, passed and shot her way to 24 points. Sister Eleanor was good for 16 giving the "tribe Woodside" a personal total of 40 points. Jans Wilson was next in line in the mighty march of the Tigers as she swished the netted hoop for 8 points followed by Barb Quigley and Joan Johnstone with 6 and 5.

Little Joan Johnstone is usually the smallest player on the court but reminds one of chain lightning as she moves under, over and around the opposition like Donnie Harrison with a football.

Also in the limelight Saturday were Gerry Grant, Sally Roper, Carol Cole and Jean MacLeod, who guarded that basket like the mint was up there somewhere.

The girls will carry their big 43 point lead to Fredericton in the return engagement. While the championship isn't won yet, U.N.B. has about as good a chance as you have of making 100 in English 2.

Dal — Elaine Woodside 24, Eleanor Woodside 16, Jans Wilson 8, Barb Quigley 6, Joan Johnstone 5, Gerry Grant, Sally Roper, Carol Cole, Jean MacLeod—59.

U.N.B. — Betty Brown 6, Jeannette Webb 3, Jackie Vey 2, Marg. Vermeeren 1, Joan Murdoch, Pat Clark, Elizabeth Scribner, Barb Fisher, Joan Goodfellow—12.

Acadia Edge Dal 55-54

A black day in Dalhousie Basketball history was recorded Saturday as the Acadia Axemen copped the Halifax Senior Basketball title by virtue of their 55-54 win over the Dalhousie Varsity Tigers. The Acadia team won the first game Friday night 52-41 at the Stadacona Gym and by winning the first two of the two out of three series scalped the crown off the head of Dalhousie.

In a tense dramatic finish the Acadia team nipped the Dal Tigers with a 1 point spread. Displaying an aggressive, hard fighting team the Redmen hounded the Tigers with a close checking game, incurring many penalties in the process. A team of the Acadia players fell out via the foul route: McGowan, White, Clark, White and McManus. The Dal players playing a cleaner game lost only two players through fouls, 'Bebo' MacKeen, and Chuck Connelly.

Dal's weakness was on the foul line wherein hung the balance of the game. Doug Clancy had a chance in the final three seconds of the game to bring Dal from defeat to victory but he missed his two free throws. In all, Dal had 41 chances for free scores and only made good on 16 of the 41. Big Mike had a foul shooting percentage of 11 for 19 while the other team players had less impressive totals. Acadia in attempting to stop the Dal machine fouled Big Mike most often, while Dal seemed to press the attack with Lorne White and McManus, who together counted for 6 out of 11 points, with playing coach McManus scoring 4 for 5. Acadia in all their 25 attempts from the free throw line notched 11.

The big sore in the Dal offensive Saturday afternoon was the spirited playing of Lorne White and playing coach McManus. Their fiery playing coach kept alive the Acadia chances even after they were under a 16 point deficit. The fast breaking Acadia squad racked up numerous points by stealing the ball from the more methodical Dal crew.

Playing coach McManus scored 15 points in the last half to lead his team to victory scoring 16 points. Killam with 11 and Nickerson, who scored the winning basket, and White with 9 and 8 respectively, were the high scorers for Acadia.

Big Mike MacDonald scored 25 points for his second consecutive Saturday game, setting perhaps a new type of scoring record. Scott Henderson hooped 13, while Doug Clancy notched 7, in Dal's attempt to win the Halifax Senior Basketball Title. The score throughout was in Dal's favour. The first quarter was 15-3, half 32-22, third quarter 45-36 and the final 55-54.

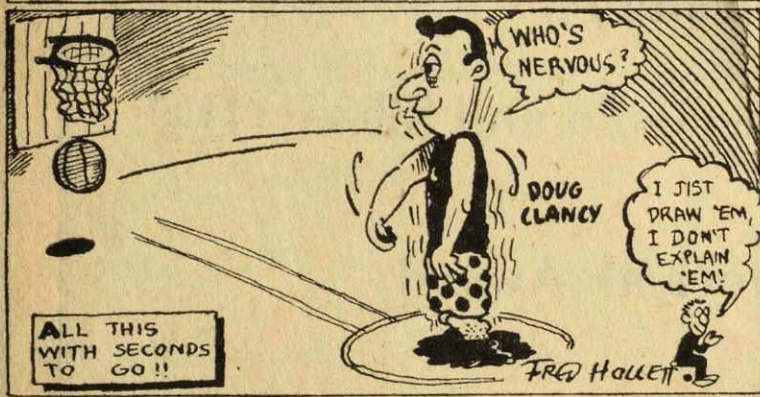
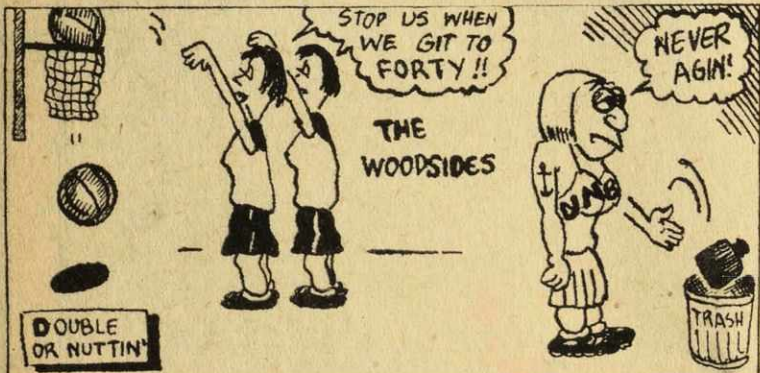
Dal Curlers Make Tour

Munro Day morning a contingent of Dal curlers will head for Amherst, where a tournament will be held for the Maritime Intercollegiate Curling Title. This is the first time in the history of Dalhousie that such a meet has been arranged.

The Dal curlers will play a round robin affair with teams from the University of New Brunswick and the Law school of the University of New Brunswick situated in St. John, New Brunswick. These teams have all shown an interest in the meet as has a team from McGill who were unable to make the trip. Interest has been provoked in Eastern Canada and next year it is quite possible that an Eastern Canada Intercollegiate Tournament will be held.

The Dal team is an unofficial sport on the Dal campus, but it has been brought to the attention of the D.A.A.C. and plans are now under way to make curling a minor sport. Some of the team members are Don Torey, John Bowes, Larry Doane, Ted Lane, David Anderson, Bill Schwartz and Bill Roscoe.

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Don Murphy Outstanding

Don, a native Haligonian, is widely known in Maritime sporting circles. One of the stars of this year's hockey Tigers, he also played defense for Dalhousie during the 1946-47 season. The following year Don joined the St. Mary's Junior Club, and during that season, turned in an outstanding performance. His hockey ability was by no means restricted to the realm of playing, as was evidenced by his success as a coach in the St. Mary's organization last year. Don produced two championship St. Mary's teams, those being the Maritime Juvenile champions, and also the Junior B champions. To round out his busy schedule during last year's hockey season, he also was business manager for the Senior St. Mary's team in the Maritime Senior Hockey League.

As well as being a member of the team representing Dalhousie in the North West Arm League this year, Don has also played for the Lunenburg entry in the South Shore League, which won the league championship, and are now vying for Maritime honors.

In 1947, he played outstanding ball while a member of the crack St. Mary's College football organization in the Halifax Canadian Football League.

He was also the starry quarterback of the 1949 Wanderers entry in the Halifax League, which was one of the stronger teams in the circuit that year.

Don has also competed in various swimming and rowing events in recent years.

Don has also turned in equally good performances in the Scholastic field. While attending St. Mary's he was awarded a scholarship for leading his class.

This year Don is taking Pre-Law at Dalhousie, and plans to enter the Law school next fall.

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