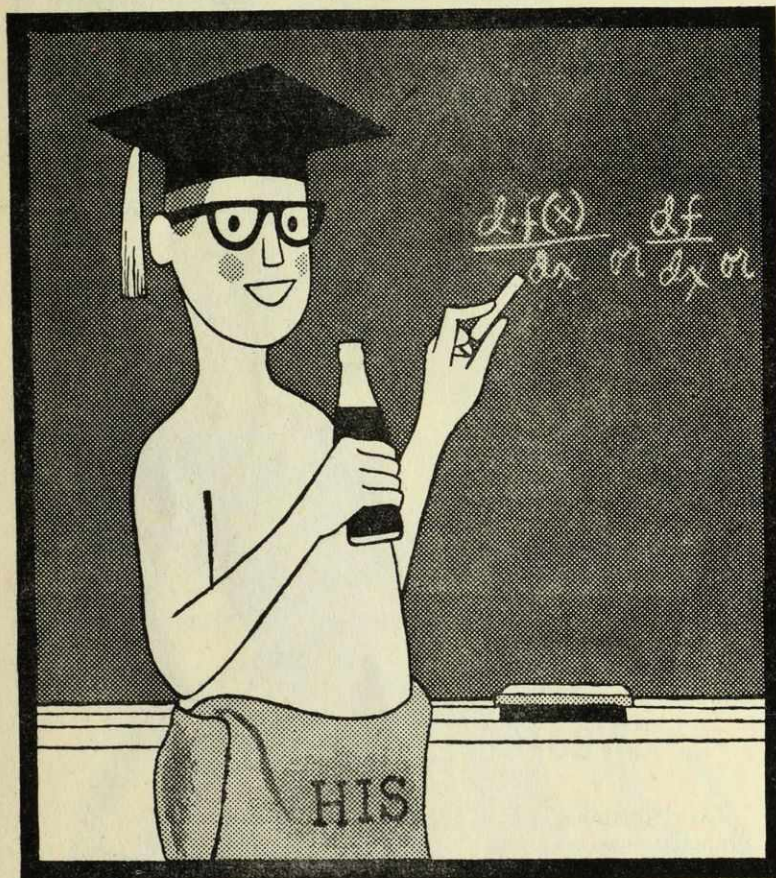


NICK GALLOPS AGAIN—Don Nicholson (30) takes off with the ball after retrieving the kickoff in Saturday's Purdy Cup game with X. Don Lyons (60) attempts to carry out his blocking assignment as Ed MacIntyre (63) closes in for the tackle. —Photo by Acker.

# TIGERS BEATEN BUT UNBOWED

by MIKE NOBLE

The year is over, the football Tigers have been defeated; no longer will the sound of crashing helmets be echoed across the campus each night under the watchful eye of Coaches Merv Shaw and Cluney; no longer will the Studley gridiron host another '59 game; no longer will Dal fans thrill to the passing of Ted Wickwire, the running of Don Nicholson and Pete Corkum, the standout defensive goal line plays... In defeat, the Tigers have gained a great victory, they are respected by all who saw them fight with heart until the final gun last Saturday. Many teams would have given up under the relentless attacks of the "X" offensive powerhouse.



## Absent-minded Professor

Not so absent-minded when you get right down to it. He remembered the most important item—the Coke! Yes, people will forgive you almost anything if you just remember to bring along their favorite sparkling drink—ice-cold Coca-Cola. Do have another, professor!



SIGN OF GOOD TASTE

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Almost from the opening kickoff the Tabbies were fighting an uphill struggle, as X stopped Nicholson's first play from scrimmage, then promptly intercepted Wickwire's first aerial. The defensive team, almost as renowned for key goal line stands, tore through the X line to halt the blue and white on the Bengal nine. Corkum then ripped off 49 yards around right end moving the ball to the X 43 yard line. Star punter, Don Tomes lofted a beauty into the end zone for a single and Dalhousie led the Xavierians 1-0. X duplicated the feat a few plays later as the end of the quarter saw the scoreboard read 1-1.

The second quarter saw the defensive unit stop X again and again short of paydirt. On one particular play the X-men pulled a fake field goal only to have Ron Simmons come up fast to make a sensational defensive play in knocking down the pass to Hugh Huck. The omnipotent machine, namely the X backfield, finally ripped through gaping holes, marching to the Dal 1. There was no denying a score this time as Ernie Foshay drove for the TD and a 7-1 lead.

The "heartbreak" came near the end of the first half when Dalhousie elected to take a punt over again on a penalty, only to have it blocked by Mongeau, who carried it over for a second major. MacIntyre converted and X held a 14-1 lead.

Just before the half-time intermission Wickwire barely missed a TD effort on crucial passes to Corkum and Tomes, both of which were knocked away at the last second.

In the third quarter Dal sat in dismay as X ran all over the Tigers for ten first downs, but only managed a 22-yard field goal. It was this beaten but driving force which inspired Dal to make the all important third down tackle. The fourth quarter saw plenty of fire on the Dal bench and on the battlefield, but to no avail. A costly illegal interference penalty set the stage for X's killing TD play as Neil Webber buzzed the oval for the six pointer on a diving leap into the end zone after going around left end from the five. Time was running out and Sommerville hit Hayes on a 53-yard toss, followed by MacIntyre's successful conversion attempt to notch a 30-1 win, and a second successive Purdy Cup for Antigonish.

# DAL SPORTS

## FROM THE SPORTS DESK

by Joel Jacobson

### Where was the Blocking?

Blocking is an extremely important part of football fundamentals and, from the performance given by our Tigers last Saturday in the Purdy Cup clash with St. F.X., Coach Merv Shaw had better get his line charges out early next fall and drill them hard and long on that fundamental if we hope to attain the league championship. Our backfield was every bit as good as X's, but the blocking told the tale. In the semi-final against Stad, the Bengals looked like world beaters—on the line and in the backfield. Saturday, Wickwire found three and four X-men pouring in on him almost every time he went back to pass. Corkum and Nicholson would take their handoffs, look up to start their drives forward and see three white shirts with arms outstretched like grappling hooks.

### Defence Excels Again

The defense was again tremendously strong. Jon Hoogstraten played his game of the year. Oland, Brown, Silliphant were all great. Ron Simmons, fighting and scrapping all the way, made two outstanding defensive plays. From out of nowhere, he flashed through to bat down the pigskin on a pass off a fake field goal attempt. The gem defensively of the ball game, however, came in the third quarter. Simmons, staying with the intended receiver, went up for the ball, tipped it with one hand, fell to the ground and trapped the oval against his chest for an interception. A splendid play!

### Nostalgic Moment

One play stands out in our mind that might have turned the game in Dal's favor. Early in the third stanza X fumbled on a punt and three Tigers were gawking at the ball (while no X-men were in the vicinity) but were unable to pounce on it and, when the mental fog cleared a white shirted opponent was gleefully sitting on the ball. Any of those Bengals could have kicked the ball, chased it and fallen on it but, we suppose the first thing that comes to mind is to grab the pigskin and gain possession. This reminds us of a similar play in Dal's only win against the boys from Antigonish in the last three years. Mel Young, a defensive lineman, blocked a pass, chased the bouncing ball, booted it into the end zone and fell on it for a touchdown.

### Don Nicholson Bids Adieu

Don Nicholson closed out a fabulous career as a Dal Tiger last Saturday. In the last five years, he has been well up in the scoring and rushing races, has won both the rookie of the year and MVP awards and has been ranked as one of the fastest men in the NSFL. It is too bad he had to write finis to his playing days at Dal by being carried off the battleground on a stretcher but we know that the 3066 fans who gave him a thunderous ovation offered their praise from the bottoms of their hearts. Good Luck in the future—Dr. Don Nicholson.

### Successful Year for Merv

Merv Shaw and his coaching staff gave Dal fans a crowd pleasing crew this year and there have been remarkable improvements in the Bengal unit. We say "unit" because last year the Black and Gold were not working as a unit. We feel this unity has developed out of a greater respect for Merv—as a coach and as a man. In a coach's first year the players feel—"He's a rookie—just out of college himself—what does he think he can teach us?" Merv taught alright. He brought this team from also rans to runners up for the league championship. Great show, Coach! Next year, we're going all the way to the top!

### DAAC is Trying

The annual cross country run took place last Wednesday although very few people know (and seemingly, very few people care). Mike Noble, one of the six enthusiastic contestants, won the race in a personal record time of 8 minutes, 8 seconds. Wilf Harrison was second over the mile and one half course. The six pavement pounders were all from the faculty of Arts and Science. Thus A & S ran off with the event, piling up 24 points toward the Interfac Trophy. The turnout for this event was extremely disappointing to Athletic Director, DeWitt Dargie. The publicity on the race was extremely good with posters in all conspicuous places and notices on almost every blackboard. This, we believe, was enough to get a starting list for the race of at least 30 entrants. The fault for the lack of interest lies either with the faculty representative on the DAAC or with the student body in general. Both groups, we feel are at fault; the DAAC rep for not drumming up enough interest in this event among their faculty members; the student body for not taking their own initiative after being informed of the race. The DAAC works for the benefit of the student. The student should take advantage of this benefit.