

# DAL PACES HOCKEY CIRCUIT

## DAL SPORTS

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CLOSE CALL—Johnny "Sputnik" Graham, who gave St. Francis Xavier goaltender, Hugh Huck, several anxious moments Saturday night is pictured above whistling a shot past Huck. Walter "Goog" Fitzgerald (11) is awaiting a rebound. St. F.X. player is defenseman Bob MacKenzie. Dal won the game 3-2 and by virtue of this win are currently in first place in the Nova Scotia Intercollegiate Hockey League.

(Photo by Thomas.)

### X-Men, Tech Visitors In Cage, Hockey Tilts

Two big games are on tap for this Saturday as far as the varsity basketball and hockey Tigers are concerned. In the basketball wars, highly rated St. Francis Xavier University will visit the Tigers. The Xaverians, last year undisputed leaders in the Nova Scotia Intercollegiate Basketball League, are now on almost even terms with the rest of the league. The X-Men, who will meet the Tigers for the first time Saturday, felt the tinge of defeat December 6 when St. Mary's University defeated the boys from the Cathedral town.

The Tigers, who were scheduled to meet Nova Scotia Technical College Tuesday, were dropped by St. Mary's in their initial outing. Dal is expected to have several new members in their lineup along with the boys who appeared in the game with St. Mary's.

In the hockey wars, the Tigers will clash with Nova Scotia Technical College. The Tech men will make their initial start in the Nova Scotia Intercollegiate Hockey League Saturday. Dal are currently riding the crest of the league with three victories in three starts under their belts. Tech, who have acquired several valuable additions to their squad since last year, are expected to give the Tigers a run for their money.

Last year the Engineering crew pulled one of the biggest upsets of the year when they edged the Tigers 2-1. The Bengals, however, regained their prestige when they defeated Tech in their second meeting. In the semi-finals Dal and Tech again faced each other, and on both occasions the Tigers came out on the winning end.

### Dal Overcomes Two Goal Deficit, X Dropped From Hockey Lead

by WALLY TURNBULL

Before a capacity crowd Saturday night, Dalhousie Tigers came from behind to squeeze out a 3-2 victory over Saint Francis Xavier University in a thrilling hockey game.

For Dal it was their third victory in as many starts. They were paced by Captain Murray Dewis and John "Sputnik" Graham offensively. Bill MacLeod was a bulwark on defense. Claude Brown, in goal, played one of his best games in the intercollegiate league.

"X" opened the scoring at the 1:05 mark of the first period when Leo Doyle shot home a pass from Ken Townsend after a scramble in front of the Dal net. The period was fast and Brown came up with several tremendous stops. Dal pressed hard in the "X" zone but Carl Day and Graham were stopped by Hugh Huck in the "X" goal.

At 10:47 Jake Andrea put "X" ahead by two goals. As he skated over the blue line he pushed the puck through Bill MacLeod's legs. Brown came out of his net to clear the puck which slowed down. Andrea shot and the puck deflected off Brown's pads into the net. John Graham put Dal back into the game at the 12:41 mark. As he skated over the blue line he let a slap shot go which hit the lower left hand corner of the net.

The period ended 2-1 in favor of St. F.X. It was fast and rugged with play switching from end to end rapidly.

The second period opened quickly with Dugga McNeill sitting out

a cross-checking penalty for "X"; Dewis completed a pass play from "Goog" Fitzgerald and John Graham, to tie the game. The pace seemed to be weathering under the storm as the period was ending the Dal line of Henson, Sim and Maxwell failed on a beautiful passing play.

The third period resumed the pace of the first period. Both teams were going all-out to win the game. At the nine minute mark, the line of Dewis, Fitzgerald and Graham put the pressure on and Huck was called on to make some fancy stops. At the eleven minute mark Townsend broke through the Dal defense and appeared to have a break-away but Bill MacLeod got back in time. At 12:26 Frank Sim let a shot go from the left side which deflected off Huck's pads into the net to put Dal ahead. The boys from the Cathedral town really put the pressure on. At 18:55 Huck was taken out of the net in favour of a sixth forward. But Dal was able to stop everything "X" threw at them and won the game 3-2.

#### SUMMARY

<b>First Period:</b>					
1:00	St. F.X.	Doyle from Townsend			
10:47	St. F.X.	Andrea, unassisted			
12:41	Dal	Graham, Dewis			
<b>Penalties:</b>					
11:18	Dal	McLeod, cross-checking			
14:26	St. F.X.	Zarn, tripping			
14:39	Dal	McLeod, boarding			
16:20	St. F.X.	McCormick, hooking			
18:58	Dal	Parsons, ill-checking			
19:30	St. F.X.	McNeil, cross-checking			
<b>Second Period:</b>					
1:14	Dal	Dewis—Fitzgerald and Graham			
<b>Penalties:</b>					
10:15	Dal	Gardener, interference			
13:35	Dal	Gardener, interference			
14:48	St. F.X.	Kenedy, ill-checking served by Garrigan			
<b>Third Period:</b>					
12:26	Dal	Sim, unassisted			
<b>Penalties:</b>					
1:35	Dal	Dewis, cross-checking			
2:17	St. F.X.	Hicks, elbowing			
<b>Shots on Goal</b>					
		1	2	3	Total
Huck	.....	10	10	7	27
Brown	.....	8	12	13	33

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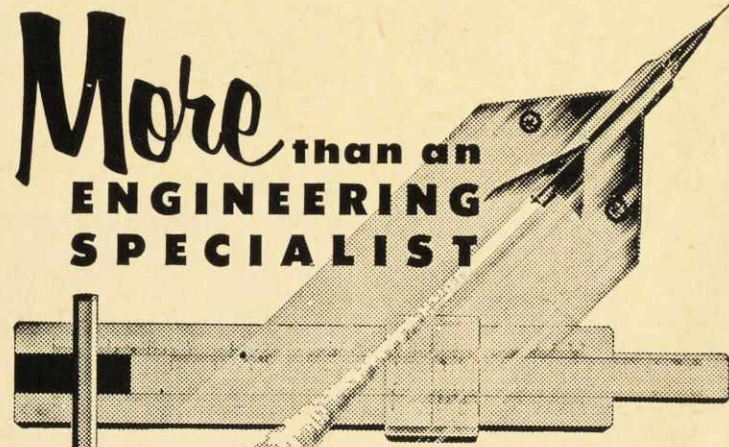
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