

Tigers Impressive in Loss to SMU

by Joel Fournier

The Dal Tigers came on like gangbusters in the second half of Sundays Lobster Trap Contest, but it was not enough to overcome an early lead that their cross-town rivals had run up due to some early mistakes by the Bengals. The game, a real crowd pleaser, featured some great running by SMU's Ang Santucci and Dal's Jeff Neal along with some pinpoint passing by Dal Q.B. Peter Coll. The highlight of the game from a spectators point of view, would have to be the outstanding pass receptions made by Gord MacKay, Doug Ransome, Burce Cassidy and Jeff Neal. MacKay in particular, won deserving praise from the coaching staff and his teammates by hauling in two almost impossible passes which led to a Dal touchdown. Signal caller Coll continues to improve with every game, this time completing

more than 50% of his pass attempts and generally calling an all round good game.

The offensive line came up with another fine effort, especially in the pass protection department. Line coach, Brian Gervais, was more than pleased with the efforts of his charges led by John Godley, a first year man from Prince Andrew and sophomore, Bill Skinner from Q.E.H.

The defence deserved a lot of praise as they mounted a tremendous goal line stand early in the first quarter to halt the Huskies and Santucci on the 1 yard line. The defensive line led by rookies Don Robertson and Al Keefe and backed up by linebackers Kevin Ritchie, Burns MacMillan and Glenn Gibbons successfully contained St. Mary's outside running game, but were unable to stop the talented Santucci inside the ends. The deep backs played especially



well, allowing only four completions in the entire game.

A special word of praise must go out to Bruce Cassidy, who, after scoring Dal's first touchdown received a boot to the jaw for his effort from a misguided Huskie and had to be taken to the V.G. for X-rays. Bruce was told that his jaw was broken in two places, but insisted in getting back into the game to handle the punting duties. This kind of effort takes a tremendous amount of courage and in this instance it points out the kind of competitor Bruce is.

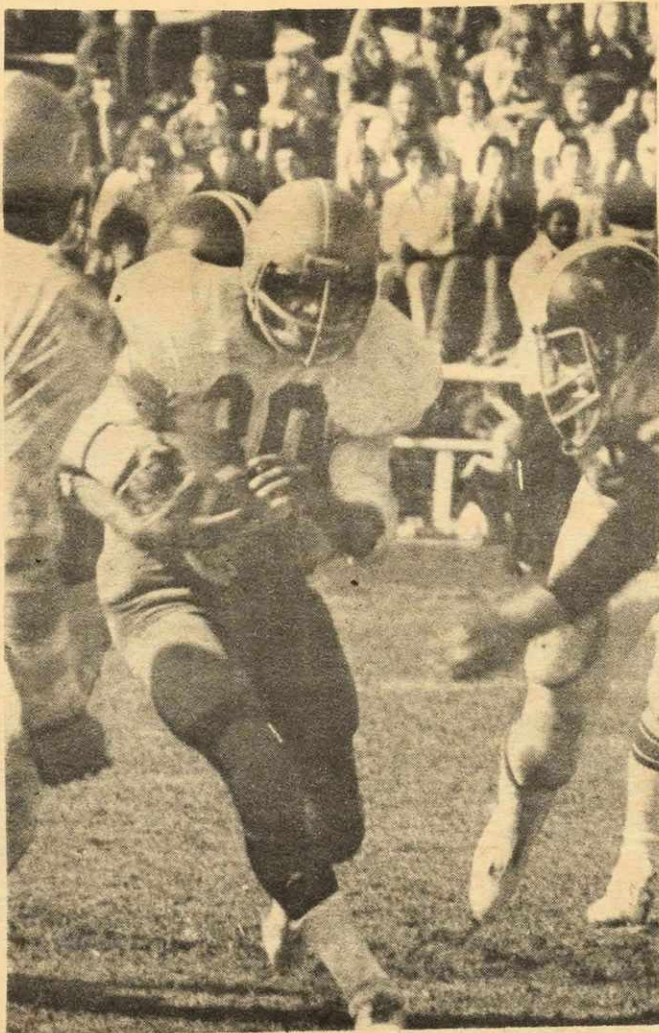
The coaching staff were very proud of the job the team did and were unanimous in saying that this was the best team effort in three years against S.M.U. Head Coach, Doug Hargreaves summed it up by saying that

"Any team that is down by a score of 27 to 7 and can comeback to within one touchdown of tying their opponents, has to have a lot going for them, both in desire and ability". The coach was also quick to point out that the players are starting to realize their potential and to gain the confidence that they so desperately need.

The team is now aiming for a split for the year. Their three remaining games are against St. Francis Xavier, Mount Allison and U.N.B. The only home game left is the contest against the Red Bombers on November 2 so be sure to keep that date open. This Saturday the Tigers will be in Antigonish against the highly rated "X men". It is a great time of year for a Saturday drive.

Why not get a group together and head for the Cathedral Town and urge the boys on to their first league win. So far this year the fan support has been excellent and all the team members including the coaching staff are deeply appreciative.

One last note—if a team composed essentially of Maritime players can do that well against the National Collegiate Champions, then it certainly looks like Dal is on the right track in their attempts to give the local boys a chance to play. While many people pay lip service to the idea of developing Atlantic talent, Dal under the leadership of Athletic Director, Doug Hargreaves, are doing something about it.



Field Hockey

It was another busy weekend for Dal Varsity field hockey team. Three games were played, 1 league and 2 exhibition.

League Game

Dal vs St. Mary's at SMU, Saturday at 2:00 pm

Dal won a 3-1 decision over St. Mary's at SMU on Saturday. Dal controlled the play in the first half, with Helen Castonguay scoring. Joan Selig demonstrated her experienced talents in the second half when she moved up to centerforward and scored 2 beautiful goals almost single late in the second leaving the game at 3-1 for Dal. Again Jocelyn Webb along with Joan Selig and Charlotte Allan tuned in fine games.

In exhibition play, Dal dominated Mount A in 1-0 decision, with a fine goal and effort by Janet Ellis. Dal lost their first game in a 3-0 decision to the N.S. Provincial team, who had the added services of three of Dal's stars.

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