

RUTIGLIANO EXPERIMENTS Tigers Tumble Mounties Triumph

The Mount Allison University Mounties led by the hard running of Bill Reade and the long bomb passing of Don Kilcullen capitalized on several glaring mistakes by the Dalhousie Tiger's defense and walked off with a convincing 27-6 victory in an exhibition game played in Sackville last Saturday.

The Mounties began to march from the opening kick-off and aided by two Dalhousie piling on penalties and a 40 yard run by Reade quickly counted their first major. The Mt. A. offensive team moved the ball well throughout the first half adding another touchdown in the second period or 35 yard pass from quarterback — Kilcullen to David McClesnon. The Mounties threatened again late in the half, but were held on the one yard line when the gun sounded to period.

The Tigers deepest penetration into Mt. A. territory came in the first period when Cam Trotter carried the Mounties kick-off from his own 15 to the 33 yard strip of the Mounties. The Tigers, who stuck mostly to the ground throughout the game were unable to move the ball from the thirty-three and lost possession on an unsuccessful field goal attempt. The rest of the half was closer than the score would indicate as the teams battled between the thirties.

Dal's TD came early in the third quarter when rookie Mike Pendergast blocked a punt placing Dal first and goal on the Mt. A. four. Two plays later Bill Stanish hit paydirt for the Tiger's six points. Later in the game the Mounties found a glaring weakness in the Dal defense and exploited it to full advantage as they completed two long passes over center to set up their two final majors. Once again with the exception of these two long passes the Tiger's defense played good solid ball.

From the coaches point of view the weakness were certainly evident, and from this aspect the game fulfilled its purpose. Not only was the deep pass defense weak but at times the center of the defensive line was somewhat porous. Offensively, as in any early season game, timing was off partially because the team was experimenting with their new offensive set-up.

Coach Rutigliano although naturally down about the showing on the scoreboard felt that the game had fulfilled its purpose in that he got a chance, a chance he did not get last year, to experiment with his plays and players and his new offensive system, and feels better prepared to head into league play.

Looking forward to next weeks' league opening against Acadia, Mr. Rutigliano was non-committal but was quietly confident about the teams showing. With no really serious injuries resulting from the Mt. A. tilt the team should be up both mentally and physically and this corner predicts victory.

IN THIS CORNER

by
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THE TIGERS???

Well — here we go round again — the football season has started — and the score from last weekend's exhibition game at Mount Allison would seem to indicate that this year's story is no different from that of other years — that the Tigers have nuthin' and are goin' no where nohow.

But . . . while the Tigers were beaten soundly on the scoreboard (although not nearly so badly as last year's 39-6 lacing from the Mounties) there are some other factors which should be noted before you give them a complete write-off for the year.

First of all, what is the purpose of pre-season exhibition games? Sure, everyone likes to win — no one more than Joe Rutigliano. But exhibition games serve other purposes from the coach's point of view. They give the coaching staff a chance to experiment, to see his players in game situations and generally to find out the weaknesses and strong points of his team. Well, this is just what coach Rutigliano did—experiment. Not only did he find out where the Tigers were weak but for the first time, saw many of his boys in competition and learned just what they can and can't do.

Although the result was perhaps not quite all that was hoped for, Saturday's defeat leaves a general feeling of optimism. With another week of practising, and ironing out the wrinkles (and there are lots), the return of several key, injured players (only 23 boys played on Saturday) and the addition of several new players, most notably Eric Kranz and Phil Thomas, the team will be much improved by Saturday's Acadia game. Reports from Wolfville are spotty but it is felt here that Dal will open its AFC schedule on a winning note.

AFC PROBLEMS

For several years, imbalance has been one of the many problems of the Atlantic Football Conference. Over the past couple of seasons, several teams, most notably St. F.X. and Saint Mary's have built powerful football machines. They have completely outclassed the rest of the league, racking up such impressive (though seemingly unsportsman-like) scores of 90-0, 77-0, etc. etc. ad infinitum, ad nauseam. Through these years of imbalance, there has always been talk of perhaps having one or more of the weak sisters of the league drop into the "B" section, leaving the most powerful teams to compete in a much more interesting "A" section.

At AFC general meetings, this solution, for a variety of reasons, did not win support from a majority of teams. This year however, an attempt was made to solve the imbalance problem while at the same time providing a more interesting league. When the schedule was drawn up, the weaker teams — e.g. Dal and Acadia — were scheduled to play a home-and-home series while by passing St. F. X. Similarly, other teams whose past performances indicated that they might be of equal strength this year, meet each other in a home-and-home series while not playing some other team. For example, Mount A play a home-and-home series with UNB and St. Mary's play two with X. Although the timing of some of these games might be questionable . . . having SMU and X play two games at the start of the season . . . it is hoped by the AFC executive that this schedule set-up will help solve the league's problem of chronic imbalance.



MARGARET DREW, Frosh Extraordinaire of Dartmouth, consoles Quarterback Mark Offman, Tuesday, September 15, four days before he assisted in losing to Mt. A. She can not be called psychic.

Promise or Prayer

TIGERS TO WIN FIVE

With action on the varsity sports scene beginning, this department is going to continue a column started last year and try to predict the outcome of football, basketball, and hockey games before the event is played.

DAL FOOTBALL 1964: After a somewhat less than spectacular debut against Mt. A., this department predicts that the 1964 edition of the football Tigers will have its first winning season since 1960. With a bigger, faster and generally more talented team than last year the Tigers should win four games and if injuries and relatively few and far between five out of the seven games scheduled.

ACADIA AT DAL: The Tigers had too much for the Axmen last year and this year should be no different. With a game already under their belts the Tigers should emerge as a two touch down winner on Saturday.

HUSKIES SLAY IXEMEN

ST. F.X. at S.M.U: If the X-men are ever going to be beaten this is the year and St. Mary's is the team. The Don Loney coached crew should be ready for the taking. In a close hard fought game the Huskies should pull it out by a touchdown or less.

SHEARWATER AT STAD:—Playing the second of a home in home series, this game should go pretty much as the league opener. Stad bigger and faster will have little trouble with the Flyers and should bump the Airmen by almost three touchdowns.

MT. A. at U.N.B.: The Mounties after an impressive performance against the Tigers in an exhibition contest should overpower the Redmen and emerge a ten point winner.

Dal Plays Seven Games

- Home -- Saturday, Sept. 26, Acadia at Dal, 1:30, Studley Field.
- Away — Saturday, Oct. 3, Dal at Shearwater.
- Home — Saturday, Oct. 10, U.N.B. at Dal, 1:30, Studley Field.
- Away — Saturday, Oct. 17, Dal at S.M.U., 1:30.
- Home — Saturday, Oct. 24, Stad. at Dal, 1:30, Studley Field.
- Away — Saturday, Oct. 31, Dal at Acadia University, Wolfville.
- Away — Saturday, Nov. 7, Dal at St. Dunstan's.

No Angle on Trophy for Dal

The University of New Brunswick won the Hulman Cup and the 9th annual Intercollegiate Game Fish Seminar and Fishing Match held at Wedgeport, N.S. over the Labour Day weekend by landing a record 1219 pounds of fish.

The U.N.B. team landed two bluefin tuna on the second day of the tournament to capture top honours over the University of Western Ontario and eight other teams representing universities in the Eastern United States and Canada. The Dalhousie team, coached by Dennis Selder, finished sixth in the competition landed a variety of pollock, halibut and cod for 48 points. The members of the Dalhousie team were Don

Armstrong, Jim Cleary, John Lowman, Andy Wier and Captain Richard Speight.

This annual Intercollegiate Fishing Match, sponsored by Yale University of New Haven, Conn., brings together five teams from U.S. and Canadian universities. The teams compete for the Hulman trophy awarded to the team accumulating the highest number of points and the R.J. Schafer International Trophy which pits the five Canadian teams against those from the U.S. Each team of five anglers and a coach fish for tuna, pollock, haddock, halibut and cod with one point being awarded for each pound of fish boated.

Besides the two bluefins landed by U.N.B., George Deagle, a

member of the University of Western Ontario club landed a 703-pound tuna and received the Crandell Trophy for the largest fish caught during the event. The three tuna boated in this year's competition were the first since 1955 when a 630 pounder was landed.

The Schafer Trophy was won rather handily by the Canadian Universities with a combined score of 2066 points while the U.S. squads only managed to land 291 pounds of fish.

THE STANDINGS

U.N.B. 1219; Western Ontario 772; Yale 82; Dartmouth 79; Dalhousie 48; Harvard 45; St. F.X. 21; U. of Mass. 20; U. of Toronto 6.



FISHING — Shown above are the members of the fishing team which represented Dalhousie University in the annual Tuna Fishing competition.