

# SPORTS

## BASKETEERS AIM TO CONTINUE GREAT RECORD

### Promising Material At Early Practices

Preparing to defend old laurels and add new ones, the Varsity basketball squad began practices last week under the capable direction of Coach Howie Ryan. Upwards of twenty-five hopeful candidates took part in the preliminary drills, as all six of the gym baskets were utilized in the development of close-in pivoting, passing and shooting. Conditioning exercises are also being stressed, with a minimum of scrimmage in the early stages.

For inspirational background, the team has the objective of maintaining and furthering the brilliant record of the past several seasons. For three successive years the Red and Black Varsity has been undefeated, and in 1945 went through to win the Intermediate Championship of Canada. Last season, playing in the first post-war Intercollegiate competition, U. N. B. annexed the Maritime title, and also showed great form in defeating the highly rated Nashua Y. M. C. A. team from New England.

The new 1946-47 team will probably be built around five regular players remaining from last year's squad, with reinforcements from Junior Varsity and talented newcomers. Veteran players include Captain Dave Stothart at centre and Art Demers, forward, each with three years or more senior experience, and both members of the Canadian title team of 1945. Another forward, Cecil Garland, has played three years senior, but will be a late starter this year due to a broken ankle bone received in football. Bill McDonald, at guard, had experience with the Saint John Trojans and made the Varsity lineup last season in his first year. Ey Magnusson, also a guard, was promoted to the senior team last year after two seasons with the "Jayvocs". Candidates with Junior Varsity experience include Ron Haines, last

year's captain, Wylie, Holmes, Jacobson, Blackmer, and Bob McDiarmid, who played second-string Varsity two years ago. Among the new men are Hanson, captain of last year's Alexander College team, Campbell, formerly with Ottawa Glebe Collegiate, Baker from Winnipeg, Smith and Tommy from Woodstock, Denmark, Moore, Fulton, as well as several others with varying degrees of experience.

### FOOTBALL TO BE CONTINUED

Although U. N. B. has bowed out of the intercollegiate playoffs for this season, football practices are being continued with a view to proceeding with senior competition. A match is scheduled for this Saturday in Saint John with the Trojan team (Continued on Page Seven)

### BASKETBALL SCHEDULE FOR THIS SEASON

A lengthy schedule of eighteen games is being planned for Varsity basketball during the 1946-47 season. With games either at home or on the road every week-end between mid-November and April except during the Christmas period, the team should be in top-flight form by play-off time. The highlights of the season are home games against Montreal Y. M. H. A. and McGill University teams. All matches listed below, with the exception of the first four in February, have been arranged definitely.

- Nov. 16—Woodland, Me., at U.N.B.
- Nov. 23—Arroostook State Normal School at U.N.B.
- Nov. 30—U.N.B. at Saint Johns.
- Dec. 7—Montreal Y.M.H.A. at U.N.B.
- Jan. 1—U.N.B. at Bangor, Mo. Hawks.
- Jan. 11—Saint Johns at U.N.B.
- Jan. 18—U.N.B. at Arroostook State Normal School.
- Jan. 25—McGill at U.N.B.
- Feb. 1—Portland Y.M.C.A. at U.N.B.

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### OBITUARY AND AUTOPSY

Intercollegiate football "up the hill" this year had one of the briefest playing seasons on record. Within one month of the opening practice we had been eliminated from further competition, and are now doing our best to forget about it all. There is no dodging the fact that the season was a failure, but since there are lessons to be learned from defeat as well as from success, let's see what can be salvaged from the ruin.

To the question of just what went wrong, we have all heard a wide variety of replies, the practice season was too short, the new rules were confusing, boots were in short supply, the lineup was changed too frequently, there were too many injuries, the wind was wrong, the train smoke was too thick, and some bright person even suggested that Lord Beaverbrook's presence made the players nervous. Admittedly, the shortness of the training schedule and the rule changes were handicaps, but they were handicaps that were shared by other teams as well. The fact of the matter is that (Continued on Page Seven)

### Ladies Basketball Progresses

Things seem to be looking up for the girls basketball team this year. There are prospects for a stronger team than last year and games are already planned with Saint John, the last of November and with Mt. Allison sometime in February.

The girls have a new and able coach this year in Bernie Ralston who is taking a keen interest in the weekly workouts.

Only two of last year's players are absent, Marl Vince and Betty Price while most of the veterans have again turned out reinforced with some very promising Freshettes.

The captain Gladys "Lightning" Harquail hasn't lost any of her dash through the holidays. It's rumored that Jackie Pickard may play centre with Harquail on one side and Ellen MacLaggan on the other. Shirley Kinnie and Mardie Long are still two smart forwards. Others turning out for forward are Barbara Golding, Phil Quinn, Judy Bastedo, Pat McGibbon, Alice Lou McKay, Mary McKenzie.

Pat Ritchie, Fran Bearisto, Frances Wade playing zone defence will make an effective guard line along with newcomer Eleanor Wylie who was the star guard on the F. H. S. championship team of last year.

Jean Pearson, Jackie Michaud, Eilly Robinson, Marion Anderson, Mary Sinclair are also turning out for guards.

The coach would like to see more of the girls out regularly for practice. Don't let the fact though you aren't a whiz at the game, stop you.

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