

TIGERS TRIMMED BY X-MEN 10-2

PROS AND CONS

By DAVE JANNIGAN

Imbued with the dutiful curiosity of a naturalist I had hoped in this column to straddle or at best ponder over the nature of the human mind. I do not mean to issue forth Aristotle et al, but one has to admit how strangely the mind reacts. For instance when ball pens came on the market, lavish advertising claimed that these pens could write legibly at high altitudes and under water. Who ever writes under such conditions? The only practical value could be to a school of flying-fish. (However these pens are valuable to students at exam time, at which they are either sunk or up in the air). Nevertheless people bought them at high prices just because the contraptions could write under water. The analogy that I'm driving at is Gibby Reid's blazing red sweat suit. Does the color red absorb sweat better than blue or am I just anti-communist; matadors claim that the color red helps them to throw the bull. Hmmm, I wonder. I had better leave it at that, and hurry and finish this column because this ball point pen doesn't write too well and besides the water is getting cold.

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The hockey team has made its visit to Newfoundland for 1950. For the past few years it has done so and it looks like a repeater for the next few. As you all know the team was delayed for five hours in leaving, but after they convinced Bliss Leslie that he couldn't take his car along, the flight was finally made. The inhabitants of that province are in the majority fishermen and take a keen interest in this occupation as well as having good taste in fishing equipment. During the first game in Grand Falls, a group of poorly dressed fishermen gathered around the Dal goal and watched it intently. Even the players noticed the group when leaving the ice after the first period. When they returned to the ice the fishermen were gone and also the net of the goal. The trip was a success financially but the fishermen made a better net profit. Happy fishing!

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Out of the 26 persons that made the trip, the reports are that 16 of them had stomach trouble during the return trip, and two of them had to be left over in Moncton. Maritime Airways say that it was the roughest plane trip in ten years.

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A few years ago in the major leagues of baseball there was a great deal of ballyhoo about the lavish salaries being offered ballplayers by the owners of the Mexican League. It then became axiomatic that players who would jump to that loop would be barred from the U.S. professional circuits. When the ballplayers grew dissatisfied with the Mexican League, they took legal action against the U.S. big-guns of baseball. Such developments have taken place on the Dalhousie campus. Keith "Doc" Fancy has been barred from the Upper Tantallon entry in the rugged Shore League because he jumped to the Commerce team of the Dal Interfac eLeague. He is bringing legal action against the settlement of Upper Tantallon, and is suing the town for peanuts (which would be his pay if he had started for them). It's another example of dissatisfaction with the 'C' Form and a decision will be rendered pending word from Eddie Shore and Clarence Campbell.

NOTICE

An Inter-Dal Badminton Tournament will be held in the Gym on Wednesday, Feb. 8th and Thursday, Feb. 9th. It will get started each evening at 7.30. All entries should be in by Monday, Feb. 6th. Lists will be placed at convenient places in the Arts building, the Forrest building and the Gym. The committee is anxious to make this tourney a success, so let's hope that there will be a long entry list. Those wishing to play in the mixed-doubles and are without partners should sign up anyway and they'll do their best to find one for you.

Cat Cagers Meet Axemen Satur.

The high-flying Dal Tigers, rulers of the Halifax Intermediate League, take the floor against the Acadia Axemen on Saturday, at Wolfville, in the first hoop game of the current Intercollegiate season.

With the St. F.X. game coming up next Tuesday evening at the Dal Gym, the Tigers have a busy week-end ahead, and a win over the Fred Kelly aggregation will give them a fine start towards the League title.

Coach Gabriel Vitalone has had the boys working out during every available moment, and has high expectations of a convincing victory.

The Tigers will start out with Captain Andy MacKay and set-shot artist Scotty Henderson on the guard line. Center "Red" Findlay will pivot the Bengals' first line of Jimmy Mahon and "Hot-shot" Chuck Connely, both of whom are among the top scorers in the Halifax League. "Sharpy Arpy" Robertson and Gordy MacCoy will share the rearguard spot on the alternate squad, and "Long Bob" Black will-center Earl Smith and Mason MacDonald. On reserve, the coach has two of the stars of the Junior team, Dave MacCurdy and Doug Clancy. Clancy is the boy who scored 18 points against the Stadacona Senior hopsters in an exhibition game last week.

The Varsity hockey squad will meet the Acadia pucksters in the Wolfville rink immediately after the basketball contest, and the Dal Girls Intercollegiate team will take the floor against the Axettes at 2.00 P.M. on the same afternoon.

Williston, Janes Star as Xavarians Overwhelm Bengals In Puck Opener

In a hard-played noon-time game yesterday at the Arena, the Dalhousie entry in the Nova Scotia Intercollegiate Hockey League fell before the powerful St. F.X. squad by a score of 10-2. The play was very ragged throughout, with the X-Men forcing the play all the way.

The first period was a rough-house affair, with numerous penalties handed out by referees Charlie Copus and Reg Beazley. Johnny Williston opened the scoring for the Tigers at the five minute mark as he tallied on a slick pass from Jamie Anglin. Then the rough stuff started. With both teams two men short, the Xavarians slammed back with two quick goals. As time ran out in the period, Swartzack of St. F.X. pulled goalie Ed Janes out of position and sank a picture goal. The period ended 3-1.

Dal Girls Trounce Kings Team 27-10

Dal girls' Varsity hoop team once again walloped King's girls in a one-sided hard fought game. The score ended up 27-10 for the Black and Gold. Dal showed far superior ball handling all the way through. Their shooting was also on a much higher plane (no pun meant). The Dal girls let a few too many rebounds slip past them and the KI-KI girls were right in there to pick them off. Marilyn MacIntyre put in 6 baskets to gather in 12 points. Her line-mate Gay Esdale notched up 9 points with four baskets and one free throw. Betty "Cuz" Cousins tossed in two baskets and a foul shot for the remaining 5 points.

Betyt Petrie was staunch and steady on the guard line for Dal and Gloria Teed put in a top flight performance on the King's defence. Al in al neither team gave an over show of enthusiasm.

The "A" team chalked up another win to their credit on Tuesday night when they downed the St. Pats squad 22-10. Marilyn MacIntyre once again led the scoring parade with 12 points. Franny Doane, Gay Esdale and Betty Cousins divided the rest of the markers between them.

During the second period the Tigers were completely hemmed in as the X-Men swarmed around the net, and Janes rose to the heights, batting out 14 shots, while MacNeil in the Xavarian citadel was not called upon to make a single save. The Tigers were outscored 4-0 and the Antigonish crew were on top 6-1 as time ran out.

The Tigers came fighting back in the third period, but the superior passing plays of the Xavarians really started to click and they rapped in three quick goals. Dal's first line of Morrison, Smith, and Jardine pulled a sweet play with time running out, with Jardine denting the twines. The game ended with the X-Men on the heavy end of a 10-2 score.

The shots-on-goal count tells the story of the game. Janes had to handle 56 shots, while McNeil was only forced to stop 10. During the first two periods the Tigers had only three shots on the St. F. X. nets.

For the Bengals, Janes and Captain Jamie Anglin played terrific defensive hockey, while speedy Johnny Williston led the forwards with his sparkling rushes. Porgy Kehoe on the Xavarian defense, played an outstanding game, and the Swartzack brothers and forward Jackie McEachern sparked the scoring rushes.

Eugene Swartzack led the scorers with three goals, and McEachern netted two and assisted in another.

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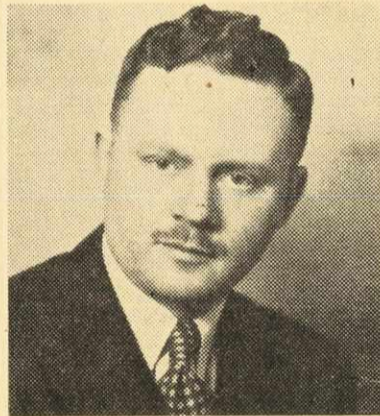
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