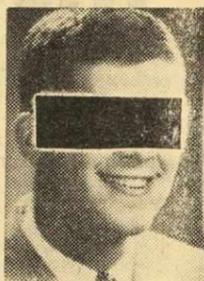


LINES BY LEVITZ



(Photo by Aumento)

The new year started exactly as the fall began — two losses for our Varsity squads. The basketball Bengals lost to St. Francis Xavier in Antigonish 112-60. The hockey squad was also beaten by St. F.X. at the Dal Rink 7-5.

7 FORWARDS 2 DEFENCEMEN

A super-human effort by nine Dal hockey players brought the black and gold within hailing distance of beating the team that is now odds-on-favorites to take the Maritime hockey crown. Chisholm and Betik on defence; Buntain, Murray, Brown, Bauld, Drmaj, McKeigan, and Levitz on the forward lines carried the banner for nearly the entire sixty minutes. The third forward line appeared only briefly in the first period. Levitz, who regularly plays on the third line was used on power plays and for penalty-killing.

BEHIND ALL THE WAY

Dal was behind in the score column for the entire game. They were badly outplayed for the greater part of the game and this reporter got the feeling that "X" was going to explode for five or six goals at any minute. The nine stalwarts ran into a well-conditioned "X" machine. The machine still needs a little oil but I don't think anybody will stop them from taking top honors this year. UNB, who were Maritime champs last year, could only manage a tie with Mount Allison last week and "X" is currently unbeaten in three starts.

NEW GOALS

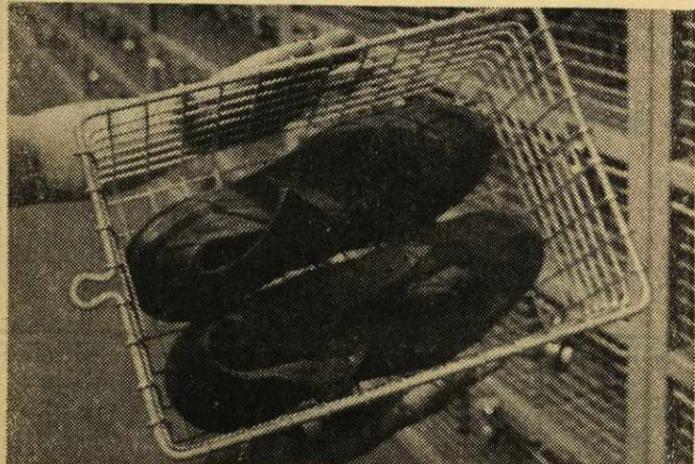
With manna from heaven in the form of \$18,000 from the Canadian Physical Fitness Council, national collegiate championships in hockey and basketball will be played this year.

The hockey championships will be played in Kingston on March 21 and the basketball finals will take place on the same date in Windsor, Ontario. The finalists will consist of regional champions from coast to coast. Dal is still in the running for Maritime honors in hockey but face an uphill battle after two straight games without a victory. If the Dal team can acquire some depth and play with the determination they showed against "X" they could be a definite threat in the hockey circles for the rest of the winter.

BASKETBALL LOSS

The Tigers were soundly trounced by an aroused Xaverian squad that was shooting tremendously well from the floor. The real surprise in the game was that we ran up 60 points. This is the start of a very difficult basketball season for the Black and Gold and the players deserve fan support. Don't let our Bengals be razed off their own court. This happened last year. We don't have a chance for the Maritime basketball championship and the trip to Windsor. This reporter picks Acadia for these laurels.

Stu Aberdeen, with cross-Canada recognition in the offing for the winner of the national collegiate series, will have his squad in top flight shape for Maritime competition. The stateside trip that the Axemen took during the Christmas vacation will certainly be valuable to them in terms of competition and experience. The trip, was not completely successful. They lost three of four games played. However, they could claim a "moral" victory over New York University. They lost 57-41 but NYU is rated second in the East by Sports Illustrated among major American colleges.



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ST. F. X. GOALTENDER Hall robs Bill Buntain (Number 9, dark uniform) of a sure goal in Saturday night's game. Hal Murray, number 15, Buntain and Brown form Dal's first line. Buntain played an outstanding game for the Black and Gold and was chosen second star for the game. MacNeil of "X" was first star. The stars were chosen by Dave Flan, a hockey player with the McGill Redmen this season.

TIGERS EDGED IN SECOND GAME

St. Francis Xavier, overwhelming favorites to smother Dal Tigers, were pushed to the limit Saturday night before tripping the Bengals 7-5 before a large and enthusiastic crowd at the Dal Rink. Play was by no means one-sided as Dal battled the X-men all the way and fell behind by no more than two goals at any point in the game.

Team Effort

The strong performance by the Dal squad was entirely a team effort. The scoring was spread evenly among five players and over half the team got at least one point. Buntain, Bauld, Levitz, McKeigan and Brown tallied for Dal.

Xavier opened the scoring early in the first period when, at 3:40, Murphy picked up a rebound behind the Dal defense and slammed it past George MacDonald. At 11:01, Synishin gave the X-men a 2-0 lead when, after a scramble in the Dal end, he scored on a blistering screen shot. Bill Buntain put Dal back in the game when he banged in a rebound of a shot by Bauld. X finished the scoring in the period when McNeil scored from Myrick and Keir. Jamie Levitz cut the margin in

half at 7:42 of the second session when he banged home Hal Murray's pass. However, the relentless pressure put on by X paid off again when Byer scored nine minutes later. Bauld again cut the deficit to one when he fired a low screamer past Hall 62 seconds later.

Xavier Increases Margin

X wasted no time in the third period when, at the 20-second mark, McQuade scored a power play goal. Dal fought right back and at 9:40, McKeigan scored on Drmaj's rebound after the left-winger outskated the Xavier defense. McQuade again upped the difference the two at 12:48 but Brown got it right back a few seconds later when he counted on passes from Murray and Buntain. Xavier killed Dal's hopes at 14:59 when Murphy jammed the puck past MacDonald.

Game in Retrospect

Action started hard and fast in the first period and Dal seemed to be able to skate with the X-men for a while. However, Dal's third line found themselves completely out-manoeuvred at one point, and this resulted in the first goal.

In the opening frame, X was able to keep up a constant pressure on Dal. Dal could muster only spasmodic attacks against X. The Xaverians were also able to use their weight to great advantage.

As the game progressed, the Tigers seemed to find themselves and what they lacked in weight and experience, they made up for in spirit and desire. They outscored X in the second period. Bauld's goal, for example, was pure persistence. MacKeigan and Betik managed to carry the puck into the X zone and when it was banged away by the X defense, Bauld tore after it, beat an X player to the puck and drilled it into the X cage.

Dal's defense worked hard with Chisholm serving for 50 of the 60 minutes in the game. MacDonald's stellar work in goal for Dal was the difference between a walk-away for the X-men and a tight game.

Hal Murray was Dal's leading point getter with three assists. Bauld, Buntain and McKeigan got a goal and assist each. Chisholm showed defensive prowess for Dal as the defenseman was credited with two assists.

On Campus

Wednesday, January 16 — Commerce President's Birthday Party.

Thursday, January 17 — 12:15 Pre-Med Society meeting. Room 234
8:30 — 10:30 Skating.

Friday, January 18 — 7:00 Commerce Film Room 234.
9:00 Sweater Queen Dance.

Saturday, January 19 — 3:30 — 5:30 Skating
8:00 Hockey — S.M.U. vs. Dal

Monday, January 21-25 — SADIE HAWKIN'S WEEK

Monday, January 21 — Nursing Ball — 8:00 Hockey — Acadia vs. Dal
Winter Carnival Tickets on Sale.

Tuesday, January 22 — 12:30 noon — Founder's Room SCM Lecture
— Dr. Pelluet on Darwin.

Tuesday, January 22 — Girls' Serenade Undergraduate Fraternities
Thursday, January 24 — Girls' Serenade Residence and Med.
Fraternities.

Friday, January 25 — Sadie Hawkins' Dance, Gym 9:30 p.m.
Campus King crowned.

Coming Events to Watch for

BLOOD DRIVE — East Common Room — Arts Annex
Tuesday, January 29 — 11:30-2:30, 4:30-5:30
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