

DAL TEAMS DEFEAT MAGNIFICENT



The Campus Roundup

by Windy O'Neill

This university was singularly honoured last Wednesday afternoon, when Mr. Drew, the leader of the federal Progressive-Conservative party, found, no doubt with difficulty, time to come on the campus and address the students. This occasion was also a coup for the Dalhousie Progressive-Conservative Club. In the past two years there has been considerable discussion in this university, and in others, whether the idea of campus political clubs is a good thing.

A great many people feel that, as, the university period in a citizen's life is a period of formation of the mind and thought and that this period should be untrammelled by institutions which would tend to enure one for life in a certain political group. In other words, at university, we should look around, have a look at everything and decide for ourselves which group we fit. It is an unhealthy thing that students bind themselves to a certain party with a selfish attitude to personal advancement rather than what they think is right for the contrary. We are told that this attitude is not unknown even on our sainted campus.

By bringing speakers the calibre of Mr. Drew to the campus, the Pro-Con club has created a healthy precedent. Let's hope that the other political clubs follow suit and bring men of like calibre here to speak to the students, tell them the aims and ideas of their party and the students can decide their own course according to which they think is right. This would fulfill the political club's raison d'etre, and in the process make better citizens of university students who will be the leaders of tomorrow.

We were fortunate enough to be able to ask Mr. Drew a few questions after he finished speaking. As anyone could guess by those shoulders, he was quite an athlete in his day. The leader of the PC's played on the varsity football team when he attended the University of Toronto and played quite a bit of hockey in Ontario in his youth. He is still very interested in sport and is a regular post-game visitor to the dressing room of the Toronto Maple Leafs.

Mr. Drew thinks very highly of Dalhousie University, especially of the law school, and commented that there are many graduates in Ontario, some on the bench of that province. He stated that he didn't think the Canadian universities as a whole have played the part they should in supplying leaders in governmental fields. "But," he said with a smile, "it would be an awful thing if parliament were composed entirely of University grads." He was not so certain that the opinions of students helped form government policy to any great extent, but admitted their qualifications through their studies to judge on certain moves. "The study of the humanities is a very important thing, and is not stressed as much today as it should be," he stated. Mr. Drew explained that the aim of the various university Progressive-Conservative groups is to stimulate interest in the party and to lead university graduates into public life.

Now the precedent has been made and we think that the other political groups on the campus will be forced to act in like manner.

NOTES: DAL athletes did very well against the men of the MAGNIFICENT. We won everything but the bowling. Those students who were fortunate enough to take part in the tourney, met a fine group of men in the officers of Canada's greatest ship. A tour of the ship, sandwiches and REFRESHMENTS were provided after the contests—they certainly had a wondrous time. The postponement of the football game will help Dal as BOBBY WILSON, our backfield star, was a doubtful starter yesterday. There is a very good chance that he will be ready if the game is played next week. Improving every week, the DAL rugby TIGERS have a good chance of copping the McCURDY CUP which is emblematic of ruggah supremacy. The squash court is open to all at the gym and balls and racquets are supplied via DAAC via THE STUDENT'S COUNCIL. It's a great game for those who haven't a lot of time but need some exercise. GORD CALDWALL is now known as the grand old man of the DENT SCHOOL. The other day one of the first year students approached him and said, "Say chum, haven't I seen you somewhere before?"—"Yes", replied Gord, wiping a tear the size of a golf ball off the bag under his right eye, "I used to teach you back in the St. John public school."

Engineers Defeated By Commerce Rugger Team

A powerful and spirited Commerce Rugby team moved into the finals Wednesday last by swamping the Engineers 15-6. The game was played during one of the wettest and muddiest days this season at King's College Grounds.

After only two minutes of play, Commerce established a lead of three points when Don Smith scored. From then on, the issue was never in doubt as Commerce set the pace and scored again as Rusty McLean hit pay dirt. The Engineers were continuously bottled up as they could not get past the hard tacklers of the Commerce team. Playing inspired rugby, they finally gained momentum, and a try by Art Crowse put them back in the game. However, this threat was short-lived as Jack Hills gave Commerce a 9-3 lead at half time on a thrilling thirty-five yard run.

The second half had hardly started when Engineers plowed deep into Commerce territory, but again they were unable to solve the solid Commerce defense. The tide turned as Commerce regained the offensive play; "Arpy" Robertson scored, thus adding three more points to the rising score. Commerce continued to press on the Engineers forward line, but failed to tally and the play moved to mid-field. A kicking exchange followed between the fullbacks, but Engineers finally regained possession of the ball. "Dipe" Marshall took advantage of a fumble by dribbling through the Engineers' team, and eventually he fell on it past the goal line for another try.

With moments remaining in the game, the Engineers, not men that would give up easily, surged in and Danny Franklin scored.

DENTON LARGE . . .



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Rugger Team Off To Cape Breton

The Dalhousie Tiger's English Rugby team, champions of the Halifax and District loop, will leave tonight for Cape Breton where they are to play the winner of the Island finals, currently being fought out between New Waterford and Glace Bay.

The winner of the Nova Scotia championship will advance to meet the Maritime Intercollegiate champions (either St. Dunstan's of Charlottetown or Saint Francis Xavier) for the McCurdy Cup and the Maritime Senior Rugger title.

Entered only in the Intercollegiate league, last year the Dalhousie Rugby team fought its way to the Maritime Intermediate championship by defeating Mount Allison University. This year, under the able coaching of Denton Large (see cut) an ex-professional of the English game, the Tigers have high hopes of adding the senior and intercollegiate titles to their triumphs.

The McCurdy Cup, emblematic of English Rugby supremacy in the Maritimes has not been brought back to Dal for over ten years.

Canadian Game Cancelled

The most widely advertised football game of the year between Dal and Navy scheduled for Thursday last, was washed out by what the weather bureau called a "sudden tropical storm". Certainly after the rain and howling winds diminished, there was not much left of the Wanderers' field but one-hundred yards of mud and sickly grass, a field on which no team could possibly perform a creditable game. No future date has been decided upon for the crucial game.

New Basketball Coach Announced

Jack Thomas is the newest addition to the coaching staff of the D.A.A.C. He will take over the position as basketball coach, for the varsity team. Jack has been one of the most outstanding basketball enthusiasts in the Maritimes for the past number of years, and thus should be well qualified for the job. Practices will begin next Wednesday, according to an announcement made by Don Woodward, manager. All are encouraged to turn out.

NOTICE

The positions of inter-faculty manager for hockey and basketball are open to interested students. Those wishing to apply should write to the Physical Director or the Secretary-Treasurer immediately.

Tigers Take All Events Save One In Invitation Meet

Thirty-four male athletes from Dalhousie University descended on the little ship H.M.C.S. "Magnificent", last Wednesday evening, and did battle in six different branches of sport. The boys did well for they came out on top in five or six events. This was the first lap in a return engagement match between the students and the Navy.

The series of events started in the squash courts of Stad gym, with Professor J. G. Adshead of Dal suffering the first defeat of the evening in two straight games to Commander D. W. Piers, D.S.C., R.C.N., of the "Maggie". John MacCormack, in return racked out a solid win, also in two straight games over Lieutenant M. Mowatt. Three other wins by Dalhousie made by Dave Churchill Smith, Thomas 'Windy' O'Neil and Joseph Levinson gave the students their first victory of the evening.

Meanwhile on the main floor of the gym, the Dal volleyball team was eaking out a close win over the boys in blue, by taking the first and third games of the best of three series, 15-8, and 15-13, losing the second to the navy 18-16.

Combining the best ability obtainable on the campus, the black and gold captured their third victory of the night on the basketball floor by the slim score of 50-43. Out of practice, the boys naturally lacked the class and teamwork expected of them in mid-season. Nevertheless, they were able to muster enough scoring power in the the last four minutes of play to overtake the seventeen point lead gained by the carrier crew earlier in the game, and thus taking the event. One of the unusual sports of the evening in the form of water polo brought to Dalhousie its fourth victory. The varsity

team romped to an easy 4-1 win, with Bub and Don Heffler and Gerry and Dave McCurdy responsible for the students goals and O /Seaman Mills scoring the lone tally for the navy.

Finally the "Magnificent" crew gathered in their only win of the day, by defeating a Dalhousie team 4,355-3,434 on the bowling alleys. High scorer of the match was Chief Petty Officer Howard with a total of 618 points.

The last event on the schedule took place on the badminton courts. A team of six students from Dalhousie completely overwhelmed a team of the same number from the "Maggie". The outstanding match occurred between Noel Hamilton and Al Cleveland of Dal and Mr. Arnott and Lieut. Stephens of the navy. The former two, took the first set 15-9 but lost the second 17-16, the third and deciding set they won 15-10.

This was the culmination of the evening's athletic activities, but after a light lunch of coffee and sandwiches the boys were taken on a tour of the ship and despite the fact that some of them got lost and haven't been heard from since, it is supposed that everyone was satisfied with the whole occasion.

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