

TIGER TALES

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OUT OF THE WILDERNESS

For the first time since 1956, Dalhousie has an excellent chance of winning the Maritime Intercollegiate Athletic Union Golf Championship. This year's tourney will be played at Halifax Ashburn on Wednesday and on paper the Bengals have their strongest team in years.

Doug Arnold is the only returnee from last year's team and will be making his third appearance with the Tiger foursome. Arnold, from New Brunswick, capped a fine golf season with advancement to the semi-finals of the Maritime Amateur championship.

Don Green, a member of the Ashburn links, is playing on the team for the second time after carding an 87 in 1959. This summer, Green placed seventh in the Nova Scotia Open and was second low amateur. Green also placed third in the Moncton Open after ending in a three way tie for second place.

Ted Reevey ad John Weatherhead are making their first appearances with the Dal squad and bring impressive records with them. Both players were members of the New Brunswick - PEI team that played at Saskatoon in the Canadian Junior Championships. Each man qualified in the team match for individual play and defeated his first opponent. Weatherhead tripped a Quebec lad and Reevey upset Gary Black of Ontario who came second in his provincial junior tourney. Reevey also won the NB-PEI junior title in easy fashion.

The last time Dal won the MIAU golf title was in 1956 (for the second time in a row) but since then have fallen slowly backwards. This is the year of our redemption.

THE LEAGUE IS CATCHING UP

St. F. X. looked quite impressive in pounding out their methodical 28-6 win over Stad last Saturday night. The X-Men suffered only one lapse and that was offensively when Stady's Barry Glover snared a loose lateral and raced 107 yards to Stady's. The defense was sharp when it had to be and the offense moved successfully under the guidance of Jock Simpson.

However, it appears as though the rest of the league is catching up to the Xaverians. Last year or the year before X would have run up a 45 point score against any team in the league. With the six points scored against them last week. X has now given up only one point less than all last season. In two games, the opposition has scored 32 points as compared to 33 all last year of which Dal scored 21. At this point last year, the league champions had scored 94 points — this year only 67. Against Shearwater and Stad, The Antigonish dozen tallied 89 markers last year.

This Saturday's game between SMU and X should be a classic. This corner will go out on the limb and pick X by one touchdown — 28-21 — but not before a near heart attack for Don Loney. The margin will be the home field and crowd.

A TWO-VICTORY WEEK?

Readers may be wondering if we have forsaken the Tigers. Nothing of the sort but with deadline Sunday (the day before the Mount A game) and having not seen the team in action except for the season opener, it is almost impossible to comment. However, the Tigers should have little trouble with UNB Saturday if they have come out of the Thanksgiving Day game unscathed. There is a strong possibility for victory over Mount A who will be weakened even after their 40-6 romp over the Red Bombers last weekend and a victory over UNB this week for Dal is not a possibility — it is a probability.

Improved Junior Varsity Loses By Narrow Margin

Last Saturday saw the Dalhousie Junior Varsity football team feli victim to the newly-formed Halifax Buccaneers by a score of 25 - 13. However, the game was much closer than the score would indicate. Dal rolled up a total of 324 yards, 151 by rushing and 173 by passing. The Buc total was 336 yards, all on the ground.

For Dalhousie, Al Bartlett was the leading scorer with a touchdown and a convert. Wally Clements scored the other touchdowns. James Corbett paced the winners with three touchdowns, while John Gillen grabbed the other major score with Frank Gervain getting a convert.

Bob Haywood called a good game at quarterback for Dal, hitting on 8 of 15 passes and rushing for 30 yards. Albert Bartlett and Al Webb were the big men in Dal's ground attack, grinding out about 50 yards each.

Corbett and Gillen of the Buccaneers sparked on several plays which took them around the ends for large gains. These men were the sparkplugs of the victors.

The first quarter was closely contested with neither team registering a point. It was an exciting see-saw battle with the Dalhousie team definitely having the edge. Dal had five first downs to the Buc's one in the quarter. However, Dal failed to capitalize on two excellent scoring opportunities. The first occurred when a 30-yard pass and run play from Haywood to Clements and good ground gains by Webb moved the ball deep into Buccaneer territory. Then Dal fumbled the ball but promptly regained it on the next play as a result of a Buccaneer fumble. Three plays later, however, Dal again fumbled and lost the ball to lose their second opportunity.

The Buccaneers scoring Bucs Open Scoring

early in the second quarter when from their own 50-yard line they moved the ball to the Dal 40 in two plays. Gervais then sent Jim Corbett around the end for his first major of the day. Rent's convert attempt was wide. Dalhousie soon came back when an attempted kick by Buccaneer Dave Matthews was blocked by an alert defence and they took over on the Buc 5. In two plays, Bartlett bulled his way into the end zone and a convert followed.

The Bucs did not stay down long, however, and after running the kick-off back to their own 50, on a neat backfield reverse, John Gillen ran 55 yards for his team's second tally. The convert was again wide.

With time running out in the first half, Bob Haywood and Hugh Smith combined for a 25-yard pass and run play. Then, on what was perhaps the most exciting play of the afternoon, Wally Clements moved to his far right as if to leave the field, but then crossed the opposition by remaining on the field. The sleeper play was successful and Haywood's pass was grabbed by Clements, who outlegged the defence for the touchdown. The half ended with Dal leading 13-12.

The early third quarter found the Bucs at the Dal 40. Successive gains by Gervais, Rent and Grant placed the ball at the 7. Gervais surprised the defence when he sent

Tigers Defeated By Mounties 54 - 13

Dal Tigers defensive unit crumbled before Mount A's murderous 600 yard ground attack and went on to defeat in one of the most wide open games seen this year. Dal received the kickoff and after the runback to the 39 Wickwire completed a pass to Farwell good for 20 yards. Wickwire then made two long runs and threw a pass which carried the Bengals to the Mounties one yard line. The Mount A defence tightened and Dal were stopped cold. Then the Mounties offensive machine which proved too much for the Bengals to handle came into action and rolled 109 yards for a touchdown. This was converted and Mount A led 7-0. After the kickoff Dal once again moved the ball, Wickwire completed a pass to Stewart Corkum ran 22 yards and Wickwire himself bootlegged the ball to the Mount A 24 yd. line. Dal tried three passes all of which were incomplete and Mount A took over the ball again and went all the way with McCubbin scoring making it 14-0.

Dalhousie caught fire at the beginning of the 2nd quarter and following completed passes to Stewart, Noonan and Cork-

um, Wickwire carried himself 17 yards for Dal's first touchdown which was unconverted making the score 14-6. The Mounties then proceeded to roll but were stopped by a fumble recovered by Dal who shortly were forced to kick. A few plays later freshman half-back Jock Ferguson scored on a brilliant 52 yard run for his second touchdown of the day to put Mount A ahead 21-6. Shortly afterwards Peter Corkum, a standout all day on both offence and defence, broke loose for a 45 yard run for the Bengals second touchdown making the score at half time 21-13 in favour of Mount A. Although the Mounties had a slight edge in rushing it was still anyone's ball game up to this point.

Dal received a good break at the beginning of the 2nd half when a short kick was fumbled by Mount A and Dal recovered. Then after Corkum had run for 15 yards and Wickwire for 18 the speedy quarterback then threw a touchdown pass. However this touchdown was disallowed due to a chopping penalty and Dal finally gave up the ball on the Mount A seven yard line.

This proved to be the turning point in the game for had Dal

scored at this point it would have put them within one point of the Mounties. As it turned out this seemed to be the breaking point as far as the spirits of the Dal team was concerned and their defence was unable to cope with the powerful Mount A ground attack.

Finally after a series of off-tackle and around end plays Mount A scored again to make it 28-13. Once again the Dal offence led by a 35 yard run by Wickwire, a 13 yard pass to Howard was stopped by Mount A when an alert Mountie intercepted a Wickwire pass on the Mount A 12 yard line.

Mount A's Jack Furgeson then ran around the right end 97 yards for another Mount A major making the score 35-13. From that point on it was strictly a nightmare for Dal supporters as they watched Mount A score 3 more majors one of which was scored by Furgeson bringing his total up to 5 against Dal in one afternoon. The game highlighted by sparkling runs and good passing proved to be a crowd pleasure from the start. However the result turned out to be more enjoyable as far as Mount A was concerned than to the handful of loyal Dal supporters who attended the game.

Football Followup

After the disastrous St. Mary's game, many Dal students are wondering what new plans Coach Harry Wilson has in store. It now seems that the S.M.U. game is not the main cause of consternation in the Tiger's den. The real cause of worry is that dread nightmare of all football coaches - injuries to key players. It is now common knowledge that nine of Dalhousie's first string have been on the injury list.

These injuries leave many holes in the offensive line that must be strong in order to make the necessary blocking holes for Dalhousie's backfield.

More Passing

Coach Wilson now indicates that for the rest of this year Dalhousie fans are going to be treated to the passing attack of Ted Wickwire.

With this change in emphasis from the ground game to the aerial assault, Dal supporters can expect to see a number of changes in the next few games.

Number of "IF'S"

There are a number of IF's in Dalhousie's football future; but if the Tigers really polish their passing patterns and if Ted Wickwire gets really hot with his passing, there is no reason why Dalhousie won't provide Tiger fans with a few thrills over the remainder of the season.

King's Win 4-2

The 1961-62 Maritime Inter-Collegiate Soccer Season opened officially on Thursday at 3:30 p.m., when King's opposed Acadia University on the King's Soccer Field. King's won by a score of 4-2. King's scored the only goal in the first half with a quick thrust by Tom LeBrun, assisted by Rollie Lines. Acadia opened the second half with a quick goal by Don Huxter, to tie the game 1-1. King's then went into the lead with goals by Garth Christie and Rollie Lines. Acadia returned with a goal by Dick Basley. Peter Hart made the final goal for King's.

Corbett around the end for a touchdown.

Touchdown seemed to get rolling again when a 40-yard pass from Haywood to Smith brought the ball to the Buc 10. However, a determined effort on the part of the defenders stopped the Black and Gold attack. On the very next play, James Corbett again dazzled the crowd with a 95-yard run to paydirt. The convert was run over by Gervais.

There was no scoring in the fourth quarter; however, Dal again had the edge in play getting four first downs to none for the opposition.

Dalhousie's team showed much improvement, scoring their first "B" section point in two years.

Next week the J. V. team goes against a powerful Acadia team at Wolfville.

Golf Team Chosen

This year's Maritime Intercollegiate Golf Tournament is to be held at Halifax Ashburn Golf and Country Club. Members of this year's team include Don Greene a local golfer playing out of Ashburn who has a 3 handicap. Other high ranking amateurs on the team include John Weatherhead, Edmonston; Doug Arnold, Woodstock; and Ted Reevey also of New Brunswick.

Net Stars Playoff

Tryouts for this year's tennis team include Alex Bell, Craig Matrin, Morton Teich, Ted Brown, John Cooper, Steve Brown, Roger Leach and Norman Miller. From these athletes, two will be selected to represent Dal in the men's singles. Tryouts for men's doubles include the teams of Cooper and Brown, Matrin and Teich, Bell and Miller.

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