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REDEMPTION - Devils WIN !!

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Unbelievable!

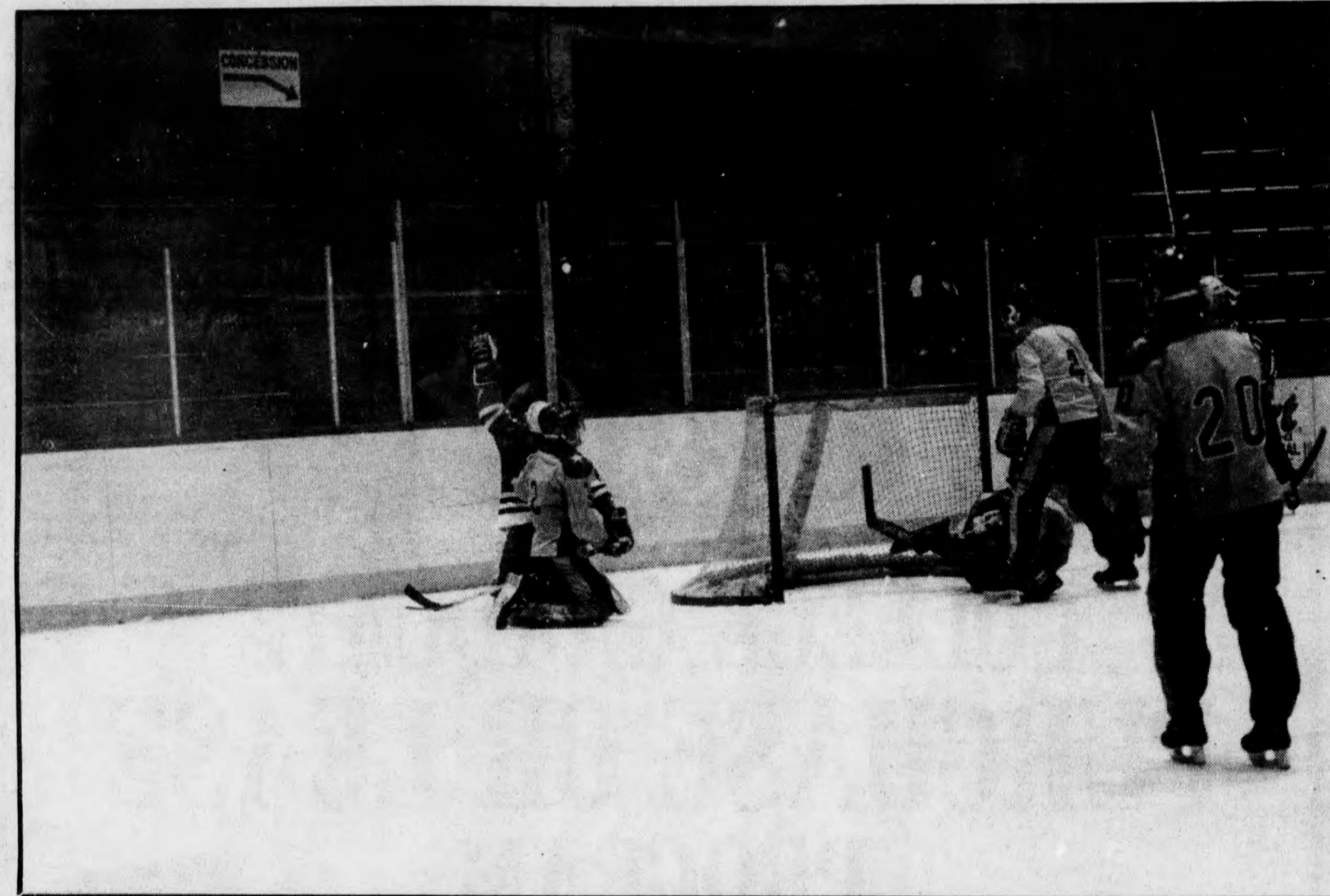
That thought was on the mind of many fans Sunday afternoon who watched the UNB Red Devils pull off a come-from-behind 6-5 overtime win over the University of Moncton Blue Eagles.

The win, which capped off the Red Devils home season, put UNB's record at 8-14 while the loss drops Moncton's record to 19-4.

Coming into the game, UNB's chances did not look good. The Moncton team was shooting to wrap up first place while the Devils were merely looking to keep the game close. Indeed, when the Blue Eagles scored very early in the 1st period, things looked dismal, or so the fans thought. How wrong can one be!

This proved not the case as a determined bunch of Devils kept the game close and exciting. They tied it up 41 seconds later on a goal by John Foley. The score remained the same until late in the period when John LeBlanc scored for the Devils to make the score 2-1 for UNB. Unfortunately, the Devils couldn't hold the lead as Moncton got two more goals before the end of the period to make the score 3-2 for Moncton after one.

The second period, however, was a different story. The Devils were determined to get the equalizer and, after



That's the winner! A jubilant Mark Jeffrey raises his arms in victory after scoring the winning overtime goal that saw the UNB Red Devils defeat the U de M Blue Eagles 6-5.

Photo by Bill Traer

many near misses, finally got it as John LeBlanc knocked one in off a Moncton defenseman. The score was now 3-3! On the other side, Moncton's attempts to increase their score were

frustrated by the Devil's goaltender Steve Tattersal, who played a great game and made several stops which were nothing short of miraculous. Yahoo! Way to go Steve!

Going into the third, it was anybody's game. After Moncton and UNB exchanged goals, Moncton scored just over a minute after Mark Jeffrey had tied it up to make the score 5-4. This score held for the rest of the period. Things looked bleak for the Devils until the final minute when, on the powerplay, Carroll blasted one by the Moncton goaltender to tie it up again and send the game into overtime! Amazing!

In overtime, the Devils, still charged up from the late goal, stormed into the Moncton zone and in the scramble around the net, Mark Jeffrey, playing in his final home game as a Devil, made his shot good as it got by the Moncton goaltender to win the game for the Devils.

In all, the game was the best the Devils have played all season. They backchecked, fore checked and cross-checked. They worked like hell and got what they deserved - a victory over the number 1 team. Too bad they didn't play like this all season. Good work boys!

The Devils hopefully will continue their strong play in their final two games of the

season on the road as they play the UPEI Panthers in Charlottetown.

Volleyball tournament here next week

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March.

The Lady Beaverbrook Gymnasium is the site of the Atlantic Universities Athletic Association men's and women's volleyball championship next week.

The two events are scheduled for next Friday and Saturday, Feb. 28 and March 1. Four teams will be competing in each event, with UNB represented in each.

Games next Friday are scheduled for 1, 3, 6:30 and 8:30 p.m., with the UNB Reds women's team playing at 6:30 and the UNB Rebels taking the court at 8:30. The women's final in the single elimination event is set for 1 p.m. Saturday and the men's final for three o'clock.

The winner of each event advances to the Canadian Interuniversities Athletic Union scheduled for Moncton in

Both UNB teams have been playing strong ball lately, with the men knocking off first-place Dalhousie at a tournament held in Moncton last weekend. The women have also been improving with every outing, winning their last four league matches to boost themselves into a battle for third-place with St. Francis Xavier. First-round action for both the men and women has the first-place finisher battling the fourth-place club and the second-place club going against the third-place team.

Those match-ups mean that both the Red and Rebels will be going all out this weekend in their final league matches to try to secure third spot and an easier first-round match. The women are in Antigonish this weekend for two matches against St. F.X. while the men are in Halifax for two matches against Dalhousie.

Athlete of the week

(Week ending Feb. 16)



Two basketball players are the latest athletes-of-the-week at the University of New Brunswick.

Senior Mark Newell scored 39 points last week as the Red Raiders posted victories over University of Maine Presque Isle and Mount Allison Mounties. A fourth-year education student from Fredericton, Mark served as co-captain of the Raiders this past year.

"Mark played his best two games of the season last week," Coach Don Nelson said. "He led us to the two victories."

For the women, Nadine Enman netted 20 points and grabbed eight rebounds as the Red Bloomers ended their regular season on a winning note. The first-year arts student is from Summerside, P.E.I. She is 19-years-old.

"Nadine had a good game against Mount Allison," Coach Claire Mitton said. "She played well at both ends of the court, scoring and rebounding."