

Varsity Wins, Score 14-7 Gate Exceeds \$12,000

Note and Comment

The performance of the Argonauts on Saturday was the best of their career in the line of Rugby. They held the star and fleet-footed Varsity team, now three-time champions, to a narrow margin of seven points and forced the play most of the time. The students won by 14 to 7, crossing the scullers' line twice, Capt. Maynard converting both tries, the first from a most difficult angle.

Argonaut supporters will point out how the touch-downs were made on account of mistakes of their defence. The first in the second quarter was due to a brace of errors. First Lawson in an attempt to shake off the tackles, lost the ball, when he should have been satisfied with a down, and the very next kick Mallett made his only mistake of the day, knocking the ball into touch. Then Varsity bucked over in the southeast corner.

In the third session, with the play well down at Varsity's end, Maynard punted like Willie Keeler used to hit where there wasn't anyone. The ball rolled like a three-base hit, with both sides in the scramble after the bounding sphere. Binkley was first on the job and secured, but the forwards shot it out of his arm, and went over for another try.

Binkley's field goal in the final session was Argos' best score. In fact they never looked serious in the matter of a touch-down.

Now interview any Varsity supporter and he will tell you how Maynard's gallopers were running under wraps. True, they were behind in the first quarter, 1 to 0, but at half time it was 6 to 1 in their favor. Next you saw how quickly the tail-back boys pulled a try when the scullers pulled up to 6 to 3 and at three-quarter time it was 13 to 2. All the college team had to do was to sit tight the final quarter, which they did and the best of the Big Four hurdles could be used to add four, the Binkley missed a second drop by barely the width of the goal post.

The men on both sides and all connected with the handling of the teams are to be heartily congratulated for the spirit of sportsmanship displayed. There was no scrapping and not a man ruled out once for a trip. The opposing players almost vied with each other to avoid including injury. Still the tackling was by no means gentle.

Conditions could have hardly been better so late in the season. The ground was frozen, but the field was rolled and the whistle blew. This injury was avoided and there was necessity for only one substitution when Alex. Sinclair retired in the fourth quarter from a twisted knee and George Wright took his place. There was only a gentle west wind blowing across the field, and the game was evenly divided as possible between the two ends, ten at the south and eleven at the north.

Argonauts outkicked Varsity by a good margin and their backs had the sure catchers. The students pulled off four or five magnificent end runs and about three good ones thru the centre of the broken field. Their speedy wings were down in a flock like hawks and always made fatal the scullers' mistakes.

It was not Lawson's day. The field was too hard for the big fellow to get started and he failed to make one good run during the day. Besides his former team mates watched him too closely. He caught clearly and was down in four or five blue lines lined up ready to pounce upon him before he got started.

As advised here on Saturday there was no need of paying the speculators a price. One section of the new bleachers yawned in its vacancy, giving the feeling of tickets left in the hands of the grabbers. As a matter of fact the speculation was more the result of over-optimism of those who fancied they might not be able to see the game than anything else.

It was amusing the efforts made by the kickstone brokers after the game began and many the grand stand ticket was picked up at half the face value and it is on record where boys were able to buy \$1.50 seats for 75c before half time.

As for any ticket scandal there was none. It is always possible, regardless of the time taken or the money involved, to cure more than their share and there was no exception this time. Up at Varsity they will show the books which Argonauts will also tell you what became of their allotment. As a dozen notices had it "all right to Varsity," and everyone who went also saw. There was not only standing for everyone, but seating accommodation to spare.

It was Phil McKenzie's only game of the season. He also refereed a year ago in Hamilton and his manner of handling these games indicates that he should be reserved for the final. His work, with that of Umpire Robbins, was faultless.

Intermediate and Junior Final Canadian Games

As a result of the intermediate and junior semi-final Rugby games in Montreal on Saturday, the Canadian Rugby Union have decided on the following dates for the remaining games:

In the intermediate series, Rough Riders of Hamilton (winners of intermediate provincials) will play R. M. C. in Kingston on Saturday, Dec. 2. In the junior series, Petrolia (O.R.F.U. champions) will play winners of Junior Interprovincials in Hamilton on Saturday, Dec. 2. The winners of this match will have the final game for the Canadian championship played on the 10th of December with the R. M. C. Juniors the following Saturday, Dec. 9.

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Varsity Win Another Canadian Championship

Argonauts Put Up a Great Battle on a Slippery Field Before 15,000 People.

By W. J. Steele.
Varsity won another Canadian championship when they downed Argos Saturday by 14 to 7 before 15,000 people, with ample accommodation for many more. The game undoubtedly brought together the two greatest Rugby teams playing their different styles of play. Varsity have thrived the season played offensive football, and it is doubtful if any team but themselves could have scored 14 points on the Argonauts Saturday, who always adopt the defensive game.

The Argonaut back division performed magnificently well, and it is regrettable that in two instances in which rushes were made, they had such disastrous results. Lawson lost the ball when he was joined in taking a pass and Varsity secured. Greene kicked on first down, and in an endeavor to catch Mallett knocked into touch, five yards out, from which point by books Varsity made a try.

Binkley directed his play well all times, and it was decidedly unfortunate that he lost the ball so close to his line that enabled Knight to go over. While these two instances undoubtedly had a decided bearing on the ultimate result of the game, it cannot be but be conceded that the better team in the game were the winners.

The slippery going materially affected the Varsity running and passing game, as it was seen on so many occasions a runner would slip when attempting a pass.

It was thought by some that Allan Ramsay might be nervous, but far from it. He played one of the most useful games of either team and besides was considerably hampered by a nasty cut over his eye, which had to be patched up a couple of times.

A word must be said here complimentary to Dr. Arthur Wright, who took hold of a team of new players, and at one time during the year, he only had one regular of previous season playing. To win a Canadian Rugby championship with a seasoned team is honor enough, but to educate a team of youngsters to a powerful organized club like Argos, was truly a wonderful feat. Every man who played to-day will be glad to school next year and what a great team they will be at the end of next season! Pete Campbell will undoubtedly be the 11th captain.

Players of both teams were carried off the field at the conclusion of the game, and one instance worth mentioning was the fact that J. Binkley, captain of the Hamilton Tiger team, carried Pete Campbell on his shoulders off the field.

The field undoubtedly had a disastrous effect on Lawson, who failed to shine as had been expected by many people. Another thing that must be remembered when playing with Varsity, Lawson was given a much better opportunity to do by their style of play. Sinclair and Hazzard, the Varsity outposts, were deadly tacklers, and this applies to Murray and Moore, the Argos outposts. The latter played his best game of the year. Smith and O'Connor were also effective throughout.

Visitors attended the game from all parts of Canada, and the consensus of opinion was that the best team won. As far as rumbling is concerned, the Argonaut backs handled the ball much better than the Varsity boys, but the Argos made a mistake at the end of the scrimmage of the college team who were down on the field.

Bill, centre scrimmage for Varsity, narrowly missed securing a try when Maynard kicked over Binkley's head, but Lawson saved and made a great run to run it out. He, however, was downed for a point on the try.

In the case of the try which Knight, a scrumrunner, secured, it was Bell who knocked Maynard out of Binkley's arms and thus enabled his side-partner to fall on it.

Wiggle and Gale were noticeably good for Argos, and Murphy worked overtime through the game. It did not make any difference to this player whether he was carrying the ball himself, helping someone else or tackling—here was there all the time.

Lawson undoubtedly played the sturtest game on the Argonaut team. He did not miff once, and while he did not star by his runs, as in many former games, it must be remembered that he was bothered by the slippery condition of the field and by some of the best tackling seen in years.

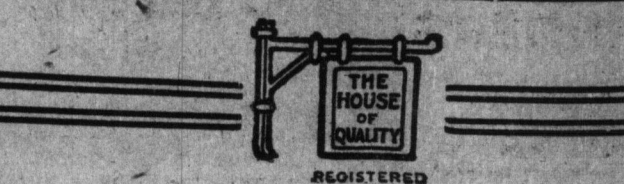
Another fact with regard to Lawson is that he fitted in better with the Varsity team of 1900 than he did with this year's Argos team. The former team developed a fast passing game by their back division, in which Lawson generally was on the end of the play, the result being that Lawson would be going at top speed when he received the ball, and when once started like this he is the greatest plunging half-back playing the Canadian game.

Expert Opinion After the Game

Captain Jack Maynard: Am delighted that we won. Every player did his best, and no person could want more. Argonauts put up a strong game and are an excellent crowd of fellows to play against.

Ross Binkley (captain Argos): It was a rattling good game. It was a clean game, and no one was ruled off on either side. If we had had their break of luck on our line, we would have won. Mallett fozzled one fast pass, and they got their first try.

Rev. Jack Inkster (who was on the field in headgear, is a preacher in London, Ont., and wore his top hat to the game):



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I was pleased to see the boys win. They deserved it.

H. C. Griffith (author of "Varsity Tricks"): It was a great game and well worth witnessing. The slippery condition of the field undoubtedly bothered both teams, but at that I think Varsity had the better of the game and deserved to win.

Alex. Snively (a former Varsity and Argos player): I think Varsity were the better team on the day, but would have liked to have seen the game played where the footing was much surer.

Dr. Barton (physical director of Varsity): We had a little luck in the scores, but had enough margin all round to earn the game. It was no walkover.

Dr. John McCollum (ex-captain of Varsity): A good game. Varsity had a shade the better all the day.

Percy Quinn (Toronto Lacrosse and Toronto Hockey Clubs): It was a rattling good game. Too bad it wasn't on a dry field. I suppose Varsity would have trebled the score.

Joe Wright (vice-president of the Big Four and president of the Argos Club): They were lucky with their two tries. I think we had more than half of the play, but we didn't get our share of the luck. Varsity captain has team play down to a science.

Bill Grant (manager of Argos): The better team, I am well satisfied with the way our boys played, and they did well. Both teams were a little lucky. The running-passing game of theirs was what beat us.

Walter Harris (of the Argos Club, secretary of the Big Four): We were licked, but we will be right back at them next fall for our revenge.

Smirle Lawson (alias the Big Train, Argos' plunging half-back): I certainly feel gloomy because we lost, but the better team, I couldn't get going at all on the slippery ground, and they nailed me in my tracks.

John L. Counsell, K.C., of Hamilton (old Varsity captain and half-back, and all-round star): Great game, fine play all round; two grand teams. I enjoyed the game.

Captain Isbister (of Hamilton Tigers): It was a good game. Fumbles were fatal. Argos didn't do nearly as much fumbling, but Varsity's swift wings were always there to make them count.

Bob Harris (Hamilton Herald): Pete Campbell is a wonderful runner. If the points ran true like him we could almost put the murkies out of business.

Billy Marshall (old Tiger forward): The better team won. Varsity have thrived.

Jack Maynard



Representatives of the different teams in the Canadian Baseball League met in Toronto on Saturday and Frank Shaughnessy, formerly manager of the Ronkies team of the Virginia League, who is endeavoring to put a team in the Canadian League, was delegated to interview President McCaffery of the Toronto Club regarding putting a team in Toronto in their league. McCaffery did not think it would be good policy to do so for three reasons. In the first place, in his opinion, the other clubs in the Eastern League would not take kindly to such an arrangement. In the second place he was opposed to it because it would interfere with amateur baseball, which he thought should be assisted, not hampered. And the third and final reason was that as the Canadian League had been so successful in their first year the admittance of a Toronto team might hinder rather than assist during the coming year.

Dr. Wright



Varsity's Honorary Coach.

Great half-backs, and Pete Campbell is a marvel.

Frank Robbins (of Hamilton, umpire of the game): I thought they were a wonderful team. Every player was doing that kind. Every player was doing that kind. Every player was doing that kind. Every player was doing that kind.

Referee Phil McKenzie: It is nothing more than pleasure to referee games of that kind. Every player was doing that kind. Every player was doing that kind. Every player was doing that kind.

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COMBINATION PLAY PROVED SUCCESSFUL

Varsity Win Came From Machine-like Manner in Which They Worked.

By J. P. Haverson.

Varsity are once more Canadian Rugby champions. They won the title Saturday by a consistent display of legitimate and for the most part unornamental football. The score was 14 to 7, but Varsity is not twice as good a team as the Argonauts. They are seven points better, but the fact that Argos' virtue is as a defence against the Varsity halves, but the combination is the reason for the small figures. There is no other team in the country which could have held Varsity, playing as they did, to 14 points. There are teams which might have scored more than seven points against them, but while they were doing it Varsity would have beaten them just the same.

Varsity was her victory to her whole team, for it was a beautifully balanced machine that beat the Argos. When it comes to individuals or groups of individuals, it was the safe backing of Ramsay by Maynard which made up for the advantage of the Argos halves, who never muffed. It was their ability to start quickly or to stop and think which allowed Maynard, Ramsay and Greene to out-distance the great Lawson as ground gainers. Greene was good after his nervousness, which showed at the opening of the game. He was the best kicking of the Varsity halves, but the combined abilities of each of his mates made either of them a more valuable man.

Maynard is wonder. He never takes hold of anything until he is needed. He can be seen hovering about the wings, trotting about his fellow backs and backing up all possible fumbles. An analysis of the play shows that he seldom secured the ball, save from the fumble of another or as a unit in a combination play, but whenever he took the ball it went a good way towards the other fellow's goal. It went as far as he could carry it and it was usually a kick at the end of the run. No one can tell what Maynard could do if he were playing for the honor and the glory of Jack Maynard and not as he always does, for that of Varsity.

Ramsay, on the day's play, showed as the best ground gainers and not as the best men seen in the game in many months. For the Argos, Mallett was again the king-pin. He was the best kick on the field and his tackling did much to stem the Varsity advance. His following of the ball, save from the fumble of another or as a unit in a combination play, but whenever he took the ball it went a good way towards the other fellow's goal. It went as far as he could carry it and it was usually a kick at the end of the run. No one can tell what Maynard could do if he were playing for the honor and the glory of Jack Maynard and not as he always does, for that of Varsity.

Lawson was there, but, as has been the case throughout the season, his hands were more valuable than his feet. This is what seems to be the matter with him. He knows that his strength lies in his plunging. He cannot start quickly and he is so eager to get away that he cannot wait to pick up the ball for a start. He is just head down and crank the engine and he won't work against expert tackling. There was little to choose between his lines. If there was another thing it was with the Argos as a stone wall and with Varsity's attacking outfit. Gale did the best plunging of the day with Murphy and Wiggle as close seconds. Wiggle performed more manfully than Murphy, but he had many more chances given him than did Gale or Murphy, and Murphy went out looking for work in tackling and following and ball securing.

Fud Kent must not be forgotten in the tackling ranks. Murray and Moore were of course the big works in this line for the Argos, as were Hazzard and Sinclair, who were at the ends for Varsity. At quarter time the students had a fine outburst on the line. O'Connor's punting was accurate, but he lacked the running ability of Campbell for the students. Jeff Taylor is a great line plunger, but he made little headway thru the Argos giants, but he had some other tricks to make that work for them. It was the matter of following and tackling.

It was the best game that either team has played in this meeting was the field. The students' luck was better, but it was the fact that the team is a great football machine.

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have, happily, not been realized, and the plan of general re-organization laid down has been more than met by the most sanguine supporters of the union. It can be stated in all sincerity that the different provincial sections have dealt most ably with the union's affairs under the able and only thorough consolidation of the union's membership and prestige.

The report of the committee of the standing committees, the festival of empire, bearing the same story of satisfaction, with no intention of being content to stand still.

The treasurer was in line with the forward movement Controller Ward presented a financial statement showing a balance of \$229.90 as the union's resources.

Dr. Tees, chairman of the committee of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association and the Canadian Association of Amateur Oarsmen.

The report of Mr. F. R. Sinkins, chairman of the records committee, gave a summary of the performance of the championship games. As this committee has a world's record, a special gold medal was prepared, which will be sent to him by the union.

The application from British Columbia for the championships for 1912 was received by the championships committee, and that for the securing from the Ontario Union the removal of the disqualification of the Vancouver lacrosse team to the registration committee. In the meantime the disqualification still holds.

The application was supported by Mr. Stevens, the documents in the case reached him. He assured the meeting that it was not the desire of the club to counter to amateur sport.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Winnipeg the formal change of the names of the provincial sections was passed, and each division henceforth be known as the Provincial Branch of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada. The relationships are unchanged.

"To ensure the impartial and responsible awarding of Dominion and provincial championships, it seems necessary that the holding of such trophies should rest with the governing body in a particular province, and not with the jurisdiction of the union with whose jurisdiction the tests are held."

The position of the union was set out in the following resolution proposed by Rev. Dr. Macdonald:

"That it is the opinion of this meeting that it is advisable to give the Dominion championship cups held for the amateur championship should be conducted under conditions satisfactory to the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada, and that the board of governors be instructed to communicate with the trustees of such trusts. He was out for a run at the time.

EACH CLUB RECEIVES \$5000.

Information was received to the effect that over \$5000 paid to see the Rugby game at Varsity Stadium. Exact figures will not be for the purpose of covering the whole of the following estimate, but the conservative basis will show what a profitable undertaking a final game really is.

Estimated crowd	15,000
Gross receipts	\$12,000
Expenses	\$1,000
Balance	5,000
Each club receiving	500

cups as now exist, or may be offered in future, with a view to bringing about such conditions.

The names nominated to Sir John Hanbury Williams, the Canadian representative on the International Olympic Committee, as the central committee for Canada in connection with the coming Olympic games at Stockholm are: President Herbert Brown of Montreal and G. T. Macdonald, representing the Canadian Association of Amateur Oarsmen.

The following officers were elected: President, J. G. Merrick, Toronto; first vice-president, Dr. Fred J. Tees, Montreal; second vice-president, J. D. Pratt, Winnipeg; treasurer, Controller J. J. Ward, Toronto; secretary, H. H. Crow, Toronto.

Sectional vice-presidents: Maritime, Col. H. D. Johnson, M.D., Charlottetown; Quebec, J. D. Pratt, Montreal; Ontario, Hon. W. A. Buchanan, M.P.; British Columbia, Dr. J. G. Davidson, Vancouver.

National registration committee: Deputy Chief Stark, Toronto; Dr. Davidson, Montreal; Dr. Tees, Montreal; Col. Johnson, Charlottetown; J. D. Pratt, Winnipeg.

The president will appoint committees on championships and records, and a special committee on revision of rules of competition, with particular reference to swimming and hurdle racing.

Edmunds and Westerbeke Matched. Battling Nelson returned from Buffalo last night after his Saturday night fight with Louis de Foulthum, the lightweight championship aspirant. The Battler has not a mark to show that he had been in a fight. He says the Frenchman was very clever, his was wearing down and the fight had been twenty rounds, like that here next Thursday night, he would never have received a draw decision with the former champion. Edmunds and Westerbeke finally signed up last night. His bout is creating almost as much interest as the final. They will make 22 lbs. at 3 o'clock. Spero, the New Yorker, who needs Nelson, got lost on the country roads near West Toronto yesterday and was picked up by a party of motorists. He was out for a run at the time.

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