

TIGERS FACE FLYERS TOMORROW

The Tiger's Den

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Last Saturday's debacle in which the Navy trampled Dal 33-0 was a bitter pill for a college as hungry for football victories as Dalhousie. It was a sad afternoon for Tiger supporters while the critics of the Canadian brand of football had a field day.

Actually it was one of those days when everything went wrong. Possibly each individual member of the team got out of the wrong side of his bed Saturday morning, and then encountered numerous black (not gold and black) cats on the way to the field. Certainly every possible break went against the Dalhousians, while Stadacona stung by the drubbing they absorbed at the hands of Shearwater, gave their best performance of the past couple of years, with MacLeod a supersonic terror. Nevertheless there is no question but that the Tigers played a poor game. As Coach Vitalone said at Monday's practice: "That was not the Dal football team out there Saturday, it was just one of those things." We are reminded that Notre Dame, greatest name in college football for the past two decades, lost to the Army 56-0, about four years ago, shortly before starting an undefeated streak that was only halted by Purdue three weeks ago. We are not saying that Dalhousie will duplicate this feat; but we are pointing out that one robbin doesn't make a summer; and one game lost does not make an unsuccessful season regardless of the score. We are also saying that Shearwater will have the fight of their lives on their hands Saturday afternoon when they play the injury riddled Tigers who will be playing sans at least three of their best backs: Gordie McCoy, Don Harrison and George Nichols, and with other players playing despite injuries.

Shearwater depends largely on a passing attack, with relatively little strength in their ground attack. If Vitalone's improved pass defence works and some of the substitute backs produce as well as we expect them to, Dal may

Three Candidates for Basketball Bengals



One of last year's leading forward's, and co-captain is veteran Charlie Connely. Campbellton, N. B. is where he hails from, and also where he started his basketball career. After three years with Campbellton High School, he held down a berth on the U.N.B. Varsity in his first year. That was the year that they won the Dominion Intermediate Championship with Ted Owen and company. The following year he came to Dal to study Pre-Dent, and hopes to get into Dent School next year. He played for the Tigers that year, then the "Grads," and last year back to the Varsity. This will start Charlie's third year with the Bengals, and we know that his presence will be an asset to the squad.

battle their way right back into the league race Saturday.

It must be remembered that the Dal Tigers are not playing against College teams, but against senior teams of older men. Many of the Navy and Shearwater players have been with them since the league was first organized, while Dal has a constant turnover with many of

A new man at the Dal practices this year is Jim Wickwire, Acadia ace forward. Jim has come to Dal in the Science faculty and hopes to enter Med School. "Wick" is a native Bluenose from Liverpool, N. S. and played basketball for hometown before going to the land of stronger cider. At Acadia he played three seasons at varsity ball, but hurt early in the second season. Jim was always the leading contender for the Red and Blue's high-point man and this year he looks better than ever. After the loss of Scott Henderson, Andy MacKay, Jimmy Mahon and "Arpy" Robertson, the varsity will need a few "imports".

the new players coming from high schools where English rugby still hold sway. If the Tigers could be seen against another Maritime college team, such as U.N.B. or St. Joseph's, then it would be seen that our football team is actually a very strong college team. However Dalhousie is pioneering Canadian football of the college variety in this part of the country, and the way of pioneers is never easy.

Jottings:—Ernie Semple of Sydney did Dal proud in last Saturday's City Intercollegiate Tennis Tournament. The smooth stroking Cape Breton boy ended in a three-way tie with Ken Reardon of Tech and Jim Scriven of St. Mary's in the men's singles . . . Sally Roper brought us half a title by combining with Reardon of Tech to win the Mixed title . . . Don't be surprised if lineman Rusty MacLean appears in a place kicking role Saturday. Rusty who has an educated foot (and what a foot!) has been booting them through the uprights from the 50 yd. line with amazing regularity . . . George Gray's soccer squad is practising hard for their forthcoming game with Acadia, which will decide which team will meet Mount A. Title . . .

One of Four Events Slated for Week-End

It looks like a big week-end coming up on the sports front at Dalhousie with four games on tap for Saturday. Two English Rugby games will be played on the Studley field while in other parts of the city the Dal Canadian Football and Soccer teams tangle with Shearwater and Acadia respectively in important games.

The Canadian Football fixture, set for 2.30 at the Wanderers' Grounds is almost a must for the Tigers if they are going to catch a play-off berth.

The soccer squad goes against Acadia at the Garrison Grounds at 1.30 in a game which will decide the Nova Scotian Intercollegiate Soccer Championship. In the first game, of a two game total point series, at Acadia two weeks ago the two teams battled to a 1-1 tie. At 2.00 Nova Scotia Tech and St. F. X. will tangle on the Dal field in a decisive game in the Intercollegiate rugby race. In the initial meeting of the two clubs, at St. F. X., Tech scored in the last minute of play to squeeze out an 8-6 win and Xaverians look to avenge this defeat Saturday while Tech is just as eager to make it two in a row over the defending champions.

In the second game on the tap for the Studley field at 3.30 the Acadia Axemen tangle with Stadacona in a regular fixture of the Halifax City League, Section B.

was the biggest yet in the league's history. One of the factors is the support which the league receives from the public.

The games which were played at Dal, he went on to say, were well attended by the students. At these two games there was plenty of colour and support for the Tigers.



Scott Morrison is our final candidate for a varsity berth. Last, but far from least is this thin, blonde speedster of many varsity campaigns. Scotty is a native Haligonian and commenced his career at Queen Elizabeth High School. A member of the "Y" Nova Scotia Jr. Champs before joining Dal's Maritime Junior Champions, he had had plenty of chances to pick up some "know-how" about the game. Add to this a year with the Dal Grads and we'd say he was pretty well seasoned.

JOHN FUNSTON REPORTS

John Funston, Publicity Manager for the Football league, in an interview with the Gazette, expressed hope that the turnout for tomorrow's football game when Dal plays Shearwater will be better than it was last week when Dal went down 33-0 at the hands of Stadacona.

He pointed out that this year

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