

ATHLETICS

When the winter season arrives the scene of most athletic activities at Saint Dunstan's changes from the campus to the rink. During the period between January and March inclusive students keep in trim by skating. A spirit of keen competition is displayed in the many hockey matches played during the year.

Players, new and old, are invited to try out for berths on the Senior hockey team. Those who do not make the first grade are given an opportunity of displaying their wares in the Intra-mural League.

The S. D. U. team was not a member of any league this year except that of the intercollegiate with P. W. C. A number of exhibition games, however, were played with different teams from Charlottetown. This year's team was one of the best the college has produced for some time. Much credit and thanks are due to the coach, Rev. Fr. Murphy for his tireless efforts and never-failing enthusiasm.

In the opening game the Saints received quite a setback when the Navy trounced them 10-4. The Charlottetown team was in much better condition than the college boys, a fact which was clearly shown in the latter stages of the game. Felix Connolly making his initial appearance as a Senior goalie turned in a fine performance.

The Saints looking for more, invited the Navy out for another game. The sailors came, saw and conquered to the tune of 7-5. This game was much more keenly contested than the first. Play was even throughout the whole game but erratic shooting at close quarters cost the Red and White squad a victory. A distinct improvement was noted in the college team.

Opposition in the third game of the season was furnished by "the team without a name" from the Holy Redeemer parish. The college team won their first game, the score being 5-4. It was a swift and hard-fought duel with the Saints slightly dominating the play. Organized passing attacks by the collegians proved too much for the opposition. Joseph Gillis the "unbeatable net minder" turned in his usual brilliant game.

The next game was played in the Charlottetown Forum where the Saints and P. W. C. crossed sticks in an exhibition tilt. Poor ice in "the Winter Playground" made hockey of any kind impossible. A rolling puck and some good golf strokes were highlights of the game.

Montague was the next scene of action for the Saints where they squeezed out an 8-9 victory over the Primroses. This was the closest and keenest struggle of the season. Play was fast and wide open, as the score would indicate. Two minutes from the end of the third period found the Saints leading 8-7. The Montague team pulled the game out of the fire and sent it into overtime by scoring from a mix-up in front of the net. Twenty minutes of extra hockey were necessary to break the deadlock. A play engineered by Jack Coyle ended when the puck tickled the twine behind McEwen, the Montague goalie. This was the final and winning score.

In a third tussel with the navy, the college team finally "ducked the sailors" in a 4-3 win. The ice was soft and sticky but the play was fast. The Red and White team were clicking in every department and out-classed their opponents all through the game. Ray Beaudet, husky collegiate defenceman, upset every sailor who came within his blue line. Coyle's playmaking was, in a great measure, responsible for the team's victory.

In the Charlottetown Forum the college team scored a 7-1 victory over the L. P. U. The first period was disastrous for the Union men as the Saints took a five goal lead. This margin was the result of accurate passing attacks which baffled the "Labourers." In the last two periods the play was more even.

By way of revenge, the L. P. U. squad played the Saints in their own back yard and forced them to absorb a 12-4 defeat. The play was even in the first period, but during the two last periods the Union men romped through and past the college team.

INTERCOLLEGIATE HOCKEY

Two years ago interest in an intercollegiate series was revived when W. W. Wellner donated a beautiful trophy for the college championship. P. W. C. won the cup the first year only to have S. D. U. take last year's championship. Three games compose the series and, at the time of

writing only one game has been played. The 1937 battle promises to be a worthy one, with both teams right after the silverware.

P. W. C. took the driver's seat when they defeated the Saints 4-1 in the first game at the Forum. A large crowd of fans from both colleges saw their teams battle furiously for a win. The play was fairly even, with P. W. C. realizing on the breaks and S. D. U. muddling them.

In the first period McEachern started the scoring with a close-in shot which Strain had no chance to stop. This was the only score in the first period.

In the second period P. W. C. added another goal which was not the goalie's fault. Ambie Hennessey made it 3-0 for P. W. C. when he came from behind the S. D. U. net to poke the puck into the open corner.

The Saints came out fighting harder than ever in the third stanza. Their efforts were rewarded when Doug Saunders stickhandled past the blue line and drove a high one past Langille. P. W. C., however, played tit-for-tat and scored again. The game ended 4-1 for P. W. C.

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P. W. C. WINS INTERCOLLEGIATE TITLE

The Prince of Wales hockey team won the Wellner trophy, emblem of the Intercollegiate Championship of the Island, by defeating Saint Dunstan's 5-4 at the College rink. The P. W. C. squad had won the first game 4-1 and this next win ended the series. Both teams were short a player; Doug Saunders of the Saints and "Bud" McEachern of P. W. C. were playing with the Rangers at Amherst.

This game was a fitting finish of the hockey season at S. D. U. Playing desperately for a victory, the Saints were met by the spirited blue and red pucksters and in particular by Langille, sensational P. W. C. goalie. Strain, S. D. U. goalie also proved his worth on many a close-in shot.

V. Grant of the P. W. C. forward line was the outstanding player of the night. His stickhandling and solo rushes threw the S. D. U. squad into confusion on more than one occasion.

R. Beaudet playing probably his last game for the Saints was also outstanding.

The cup has been won by the better team. But next year S. D. U. will be back in the fight for honours and promise to give P. W. C. plenty of opposition.

INTRAMURAL HOCKEY

This year's intramural league was composed of five teams, three of which were from Dalton Hall. First Corridor Dalton were the winners of the league. The Dormitory, winning the right to play off with this team, defeated them 2-1 in the first of a two game series. In the next game, however, first corridor clinched the championship with a 2-0 victory. Soft ice prevented both teams from displaying their best hockey.

BASKETBALL

Having no gymnasium, Saint Dunstan's cannot give her basketball players a practicing court. One practice a week at the Holy Name Club is the only means of getting a team into shape. Despite this handicap, a team was built up, under the enthusiastic direction of Coach Father MacDonald. Much credit is due Father MacDonald for the way he worked to build up a strong team.

A player who deserves special applause is Manuel Polomo. This boy, who is one of the fastest basketball players ever seen on the Island, is ever a source of encouragement and inspiration to his less experienced teammates.

Although the team has not been able to compete very successfully with the best city teams, it has made a good showing against the P. W. C. squad.

On March 9th, S. D. U. and P. W. C. played at the Holy Name Club. The game was fast and snappy, ending in a 43-32 victory for P. W. C.

