

## ATHLETICS

With the departure of nearly all the senior hockey players from the Maritimes due to the disbanding of the Big Four League, interest has been transferred to Intermediate and Junior hockey. Whereas formerly the Maritimes ruled the roost in Amateur Hockey, now we must begin all over again to develop championship teams. Many of our star players left to join the professional ranks and it is with considerable pride that we point to their achievements. Nearly all of them have "made good." We follow their progress with avid interest hoping that they will not forget the places of their former achievements nor their followers back home. Although we have little hope of one of our teams taking the Allan Cup for some time, yet we are pulling as strongly for our boys now as we did several years ago when chances were more favorable.

Prince Edward Island is harder hit than either of the other Provinces, for we have lost not only our Seniors but also the cream of our Intermediate players. This leaves a big gap in the ranks which will not be filled for a couple of years. The players, who are now playing in Denver, Colorado, have gained quite a name for themselves and for the Province whence they came. Let us hope they keep up the good work.

This brings us to the standing of our Junior Hockey. We hope our readers will pardon us if we do a little bragging at this point for we may very well boast about our Juniors. Up until two or three years ago, when the Island boys took the Maritime Championship, that grade of hockey received comparatively little attention. Now after the almost wholesale exodus of the older players the younger boys hold the spotlight. It is too bad that Islanders do not back them as well as they might. By their achievements they compare most favorably with mainland teams. For their age and experience they play a brand of hockey that is hard to beat. More power to you, fellows.

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Leaving off with hockey that does not directly concern this magazine we come to the problem of intercollegiate



hockey. Interest in this was fostered last year by the donation of a fine trophy by W. W. Wellner, Limited of Charlottetown. This led to the arrangement of an intercollegiate series between St. Dunstan's and Prince of Wales in which the latter College emerged victorious. The rivalry was carried over to this year and another series was held with quite a different result. The series went to but two games though undoubtedly it would have been much closer if the City College had been able to make use of all the hockey players enrolled in that institution. Many of the best players were playing on the Junior Royals and were not available for this series. However those who did play made a pretty fine attempt in their defense of the Wellner Trophy and put up a stiff battle.

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Though last years graduation played havoc in the ranks of the hockey team, the new coach, Rev. Fr. MacDonald, made up a nice little team with recruits from the intra-mural league and with some newcomers to the College. They can point to a fine record for the past season. No team can expect to win all its games and does well if it wins a pretty good majority of them. With that as a basis of judgment, then, we can say that this year's team did as well as teams in the preceding years.

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St. Dunstan's got off to a bad start this year in encountering as their first opponents Stewart's Bakery team. This group of fast shooting and fast skating pucksters took the measure of our team to the tune of seven goals to three. The Red and White men faced a team that had been playing in the Charlottetown City League and were at the peak of the season's form. Nevertheless it was anybody's game until the third period when the visitors swamped the Saints with four counters.

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The second team to test the mettle of St. Dunstan's squad was a group of players from the Holy Redeemer Rink. They played a nice brand of hockey but, being unable to cope with the College team's offensive and defensive strength, lost by the score of six to one. The Saints outplayed them at every turn and the score was but the logical outcome. Outstanding was the work of the Holy Redeemer's tiny goalie, Fred Hennessey, who



contrived to get in the way of many shots that were labelled for sure scores.

The Saints then took on the Junior Rangers, a team that shortly before had been eliminated from the play-downs for the Island Junior Championship. This team, with the superb goal tending of their young netminder, DeBlois, beat Saint Dunstan's six to four. It was a good contest to watch as the teams were very evenly matched. Somerled Trainor was easily the most outstanding player for the Red and White team as he scored three of his teams four goals. The Rangers "kid line" more than proved its worth that day and their snappy teamwork was most pleasing to watch. The Saints opened up with their famous gang attack with but a few minutes to go and it netted them a score. However the Rangers' goalie could not be beaten after that and so the game went to the Junior team.

Another point was added to the column of losses when the Saints were defeated by the Bankers in what proved to be the best game played in the College rink this year. From the opening whistle both teams played for all they were worth. It was a ding-dong battle with neither side giving nor taking quarter. Snappy combination was shown by both teams with the Bankers having somewhat the edge on the Collegians in that respect. From the fact that a strict referee handed out no penalties it is easily seen that it was a game that, though showing plenty of action, was played with the best of good sportsmanship and clean play. The only score of the game was made in the second period when the Bankers netted, from close in, on the Saints' goalie. Barret for the "money lenders" absolutely refused to give anything that night and all attempts to score proved of no avail.

Next we record an overwhelming victory for Saint Dunstan's when they defeated Cornwall six to one. The visitors could not seem to slip the wafer past Callaghan who had replaced Butler in the nets for the Saints. Evidently the long sleigh ride on a bad night had something to do with their playing. It was not a very thrilling game as neither side displayed any organized attack. Individual efforts seemed to be the order of the night with the Red and White being stronger in that department.



## SAINTS DEFEAT P. W. C.

The first game of the Intercollegiate series was played in the Saint Dunstan's Rink. The Red and Blue squad was not at its full strength but nevertheless gave the Saints a strong battle for the game. It was not until the last period that Saint Dunstan's clearly proved themselves superior.

The first period was not particularly productive of good hockey. It was a very cold night and the boys took some time to get started. Prince of Wales made some nice plays but Butler, the Saints' netminder, was unbeatable. At about the ten minute mark McInnis picked the lower left-hand corner of the net, from a scramble, to beat Langille, the city team's goalie. That period ended without change in the score.

The second period was much faster than the first. Each side scored three goals and both of the goalies were kept hopping in order to keep the score from going higher. Beaudet brought down the house when, on a beautiful solo rush, he rounded the defense and worked the goalie out of position for a score.

Shortly after the whistle blew for the beginning of the third period, Jordan of the Prince of Wales team tied the score from close in, on a shot that had the goalie helpless. The Saints then turned on the heat and began to click in a big way. Only by apparently impossible saves did Langille rescue the city team. Time and again he broke up rushes at the goal mouth. But that could not go on forever and MacDonald and Beaudet scored to put the Saints in the lead. Though the game continued at full pressure there were no more scores and Saint Dunstan's emerged on the better side of the six to four score.

S. D. U.: Goal—Butler; Defense—Beaudet, MacDonald, Hennessey; Forwards—C. Trainor (Capt.), S. Trainor, McInnis, DesChenes, MacKinnon, J. A. MacDonald.

P. W. C.: Goal—Langille; Defense—Jordon, Clarkin; Forwards—Gallant, Rattenbury, Hennessey, Gallant, Fraser, Stewart.

## SAINTS CAPTURE TROPHY

The second and final game of the Intercollegiate series left little doubt of the Saints' superiority. They



took the game, six goals to three, and at no time were they severely pressed. Charlie Trainor, the first line left-winger, got into action during this game and emerged with three goals to his credit.

Due to the absence of Langille, the regular goalie, Jordan substituted in the nets for P. W. C. The opposition was hard and though he did his best it was not quite enough.

As the game was played in the Charlottetown Forum it took the St. Dunstan's boys a little while to get used to the artificial ice. Thus the first period opened rather slowly. However towards the fifteen minute mark the pace quickened. Things were getting pretty lively when the whistle blew for the end of the period.

The second and third periods were very slow. Much snow had accumulated on the ice and good hockey was impossible. The final whistle was relished by two teams of tired hockey players: the one glad because of their victory; the other satisfied on having put up a good struggle.

#### INTRAMURAL HOCKEY

This year the League was composed of five teams, some of them were fairly good, others not so good. From the very beginning it looked as if the Dormitory "Cats" would not have much trouble in taking the title. They had two nicely balanced lines and a good defense. After leading the league all year they were downed in the first game of the play-offs by first and third Dalton. Due to the early spring weather the play-offs were not finished and so we are unable to announce the winning team.

One of the greatest upsets of the year is to be noted in the fact that second Dalton did not make the finals. In former years the Seniors' team usually made them "by hook or by crook." Let us conclude that as this year's team failed to make it "by hook," they did not deem it worthy of themselves to use "crook."

#### SOFTBALL

This year a record was set which will be hard to beat. Although the League had not been started, the initial game of soft-ball of the season was played on the twentieth of March. By the way things are shaping up, it looks as if a long and exciting soft-ball season lies before us.