

ATHLETICS

During the Winter season the students' recreation hours are usually occupied by the two great sports, hockey and basketball, as well as by numerous other activities such as ping-pong and pool. However, due to war conditions, the essentials for many indoor sports are not available and, as a result, these sports have been relegated to the shelf for the duration. But hockey, our greatest winter pastime, remains—let us review what has been taking place in sport circles the past two months.

HOCKEY

Old times are here again—the Saints have returned to Senior Hockey wars. Once again the St. Dunstan's University team has taken part in Senior competition by entry into the City Hockey League, composed of six teams, Army, Navy, Air Force, P. W. C., Y. M. C. A., and S. D. U., and has acquitted itself nobly. In the regular schedule the Saints, undefeated, came through to tie with the Y. M. C. A. team for first position. However, in a sudden death game for the lead, our boys suffered their first defeat at the hands of the strong Y. M. C. A. squad, leaving themselves firmly established in the second playoff spot. Due to studies and C. O. T. C. activities, Saints made only five starts to the others' nine, but received double points for games.

The team was coached by Reverend J. P. E. O'Hanley, ably assisted by Jackie Kane. The squad with a dependable rearguard is noted this year for having two well-balanced forward lines, a rather unusual thing for the Saints.

An All-Star team was chosen from the six teams competing in the City Hockey League by the coaches and the two sports writers. The following members of the S. D. U. team were chosen, F. Fournier, J. Higgins, A. J. MacAdam, G. Forbes, R. Lamontagne, L. Lamontagne, J. Mahar. Due to pressing studies S. D. U. players were unable to take their places on the team, but they wish those participating every success.

A BRIEF SKETCH OF THE TEAM

Fernand Fournier—A Rimouski boy—in his second season with the team has improved one hundred percent and is playing a great game. He was first choice as goalie for the All-Star team.

A. J. MacAdam—Another All-Star selection who, on defence, has proved his worth time and time again with his effective poke-check and speed.

Jim Higgins—The other half of the rearguard, a veteran of many hockey wars, and 190 lbs. of heavy-hitting, was also chosen for the All-Star team.

Joe Martin—The young rugged Charlottetown boy plays effective game as third defenceman.

Gerry Forbes—A smooth, fast-skating centre, captain of the team—upheld his last year's reputation and fulfilled the expectations of his followers by being chosen a member of the All-Star team. Gerry is a product of Matane, P. Q.

Jacques Gendron—Fast, hard-working right-winger, marked for his back-checking, dogged the heels of his opponents all the time. This boy's home town is Riviere du Loup, Quebec.

Joe Mahar—A star performer of last year's Juvenile Canadians—proved himself a player of note in Senior company. The young Charlottetown lad is doing a swell job on left wing.

Langis Lamontagne—A native of Edmundston, N. B., and a newcomer to the ranks of the Saints holds down centre position. During the schedule he rapped home sixteen goals to capture a position on the All-Star Squad.

Real Lamontagne—Also a newcomer, patrolling the left wing by the side of his brother, plays the same excellent brand of hockey and will also see action on the All-Star team.

Jim Morris—Working the other wing, with the Lamontagne brothers, is this popular Charlottetown athlete whose stick-handling wizardry and winning smile gained for him many followers.

C. H. L. SCHEDULED GAMES

R. A. F.—1

S. D. U.—1

In their first start in the City Hockey League the Saints tied a strong, fighting Air Force team. The game was played in the University rink on Jan. 11th. Our boys opened the scoring early in the first period only to have the Air Force knot the count in the middle canto. Although holding the edge of the play the greater part of the game, Saints were unable to dent the twines more than once, and what might have been a good brand of hockey was marred by numerous off-sides due, no doubt, to lack of practice.

The opening period had not gone four minutes when L. Lamontagne scored in a beautiful play set up by Jim Morris to give the Saints a 1-0 lead. Both forward lines then put on a display of clever hockey, but many off-sides spoiled numerous scoring chances and resulted in neither team being able to bother the opposing goalie.

Fighting hard, the Air Force boys came back to even the score. After twelve minutes of the second session had been played, centreman Poulain, R. A. F.'s outstanding player, on a pass from Levi, beat Fournier with a hard shot to the corner of the cage. This counter tied the score while the Saints played shorthanded.

The third period produced rugged, but scoreless hockey. The referees handed out four penalties, three of which went to the Air Force, but the Saints, while crowding their opponents, were unable to rack up what would have been the winning counter.

R. A. F. Line-up: Goal: Gilligan; Defence: Levi, Young, Angell, Forwards: Poulain, Clements, Apps, Oakford, Pilgrem, Smith, Engles.

S. D. U. Line-up: Goal: Fernand Fournier; Defence: Higgins, MacAdam, Martin; Forwards: Gendron, Forbes, Mahar, R. Lamontagne, L. Lamontagne, Morris.

Referees: Pat Power and Leith Jay.

Y. M. C. A.—4

S. D. U.—6

In the Forum on January 15th, in their second game of the season, the Saints took the measure of the highly rated Y. M. C. A. squad. Both teams played wide-open all the way and fans witnessed the smoothest and fastest hockey played during the league schedule.

Flashing dazzling speed and excellent teamwork, our lads kept the Y team tangled up during the entire first period. Clicking in every department they coasted in time and time again to threaten the Y goalie. Fournier, in the Saints' nets, turned aside all rubber thrown his way while his mates were racking up a goal to their credit. Gendron, at the fifteen minute mark, fired a sizzling shot past Cudmore ending a clever combination play of Forbes and Mahar.

The tables were turned, however, in the second period when in the space of five minutes the Y boys notched up three quick tallies to give themselves a 3-1 lead. But the Saints, regaining their former stride, tied up the score before the close of the session. On a beautiful push-through play, R. Lamontagne on a pass from his brother, Langis, placed the rubber behind Cudmore. Two minutes later Jim Higgins, hard-working defenceman, picking up the puck behind his own net and racing the length of the ice, let go a low, hard drive to blink the red light and tie the score.

In less than two minutes of the third period the Saints sewed up the game. L. Lamontagne scored two quick goals, the first on a spectacular play with his brother, Real; the second when he climaxed a lone rush by drawing Cudmore out out of position and slipping the rubber behind him. Twelve minutes later the Y team, still fighting, cut down the Saints' lead to one when MacDonald, after splitting the Saints' defence, sent a low drive that had Fournier beaten all the way. With only ten seconds to go, Gerry Forbes wound up the scoring when he sent a sizzling shot past Cudmore on a pass from Joe Mahar, to give the College its first win of the season.

Y. M. C. A. Line-up: Goal: Cudmore; Defence: MacDonald, Carmichael, MacDougall; Forwards: Whitlock, W. Cudmore, Stewart, Woolridge, Kane, Gregory, Jackson, Squarebriggs.

Navy—4

S. D. U.—4

In their third start of the season the Saints met and tied the powerful, league-leading Navy team. Although no scoring took place in the first session, S. D. U. had slight edge on the play. In a hard-hitting second period the Navy squad took over control of the play and outscored the Saints three to one. But in the last period the Saints, hitting their old stride, knotted the count seconds before the final whistle.

Although the first canto was scoreless, it exhibited remarkably good hockey. The pace held by both squads was fast and only spectacular saves by the goal-tenders saved the scorekeeper from over-work. In the second period the Saints got their first taste of Senior hockey when the Navy's first string line, unleashing its fury on the less experienced S. D. U. squad, controlled the play at will. Milne opened the scoring when he picked up G. MacAdam's pass to drive the rubber past Fournier. By continuous ganging the Navy went two up on the Saints as Whitlock, picking up the puck behind the Saints' net, came out to slip it home. Cheered on by their fellow-students, the College boys fought hard to match the Tars and finally broke the goose-egg when the tricky Lamontagne brothers combined on a clever play that ended with Langis flipping the disc behind Whalen. This counter was soon nullified by Thompson who batted MacLean's high pass into the cage shortly after the four minute mark. The period ended with the Navy boys still inside the Saints' blue-line.

The old spirit and splendid hockey was the S. D. U.'s story in the final period. Jim Morris, on a lone rush, opened the scoring at the 3.45-minute mark. Higgins, of the Saints, was chased to the cooler and during his absence Buck Whitlock, heady Navy centreman, notched up his second goal of the game when he got the draw from a faceoff at the goal-line and, pulling Fournier out of position, pushed the puck into the empty cage. Still playing shorthanded, the Saints offset this attack when speedy Joe Mahar picked up the puck behind his own net and, skating through the whole Navy outfit, made no mistake in picking the open corner. The Saints, now battling for the equalizing counter, kept the play within Navy territory. This brought results as Mahar, repeating his previous performance, backhanded a shot from the blueline that settled in the draperies unseen by Whalen with but one minute of play remaining.

Navy Line-up: Goal: Whalen; Defence: MacAdam, MacDougall, Brown, Smith; Forwards: Whitlock, Blanchard, Milne, Thompson, Dunning, MacLean, Murphy, Calhoun.

Referees: Leith Jay, and "Tarky" Whitlock.

P. W. C.—4

S. D. U.—4

On January 29th, the Forum was the battleground for the ancient rivals, P. W. C. and S. D. U. Although the hard working P. W. C. squad was remarkable for its speed, the brand of hockey which it displayed was not exceptional. These boys, nevertheless, played a clean game and forced the Saints to produce the best they had to knot the count before the bell. The Lamontagne brothers continually pulled off clever plays that thrilled a large crowd, but the sensational goal-keeping display put on by Benson Auld kept the score down.

The Saints, almost complete masters of the play in the first period, by their smooth passing attacks tied up the P. W. C. squad, while the defence broke up all P. W. C. plays at the blueline. Nevertheless, our boys were unable to make the red light flicker, until Gallant of P. W. C. was waved to the penalty box. Then, MacAdam, after picking up an iced puck drove a beautiful shot from the blueline seconds before the end of the period.

Both teams stepped up the pace in the second canto and both realized a brace of goals. The Saints' defence were playing loose hockey around the net and before four minutes had elapsed Ed Bagnall, speedy P. W. C. forward, snared a loose puck and scored easily from ten feet out. The Saints immediately regained the lead when MacAdam and the Lamontagne brothers finished off a combination play with Langis outguessing Auld. P. W. C. then put on the pressure and continually shot the puck into the Saints' zone, forwards following. This type of play, hard to handle, paid off for P. W. C. as Nicolle golfed a pass from Moreside, thus knotting the count 2—all at the five minute mark. The remainder of the period was an ever-changing battle as both goalies pulled off breath-taking saves. With only a second of play remaining, the Lamontagne brothers, on a pretty play, combined for a score that put the Saints one up.

The third period was all P. W. C.'s. They ganged continually and in less than two minutes Beck scored on a shot from the blueline. In pond hockey style they kept the Saints team bottled up inside their own territory. This again paid off as Hodgson shot through a maze of players to put P. W. C. one up on the Saints. The Red and White boys, now a goal down, put on the speed and the Lamontagne brothers again combined in their fastest play of the game, one that completely outwitted the P. W. C. defence and in which L. Lamontagne gave Auld no chance on a backhand shot. Seventy seconds later the game ended with both teams battling desperately for the winning counter.

P. W. C. Line-up: Goal: Auld; Defence: Hodgson, Beck, Large; Forwards: Nicolle, Moreside, D. Bagnall, E. Bagnall, Beer, Jones, and Gallant.

Referees: P. Power and L. Jay.

Army—3

S. D. U.—7

Playing their last game of C. H. L. schedule in their own rink, the Saints held the hard-fighting Army team to the score, 7—3. The game was slow in the opening minutes but after a few minutes of wary playing both squads gave all that they had. However, the brand of hockey did not surpass the sportsmanship displayed by both hard-working sextets. The win for the Saints gave them first position in the C. H. L.

Although both teams made several three-men attacks, it was left for Joe Mahar, speedy wingman, to draw first blood on a lone rush. But this lead was not long held for Richard diverted Peters' pass behind Fournier at the 8.50-mark. With less than two minutes of the session to go, Morris put the Saints into a lead which they did not relinquish as he slammed MacAdam's rebound into the Army citadel.

The Saints, taking advantage of familiarity with their own ice, scored two quick goals before the two minute mark of the second period. Both scores were registered by the Lamontagne brothers. The boys did not relax the pressure and five minutes later, G. Forbes beat Brehaut on a hard shot to the corner of the cage. Jim Morris was goal-getter as he

counted on a play with the Lamontagne brothers. The Army boys were still in fighting, however, and Peters, playing an excellent game, fed a pass to Stead who made no mistake on a hard drive.

In a final period that was marred by erratic shooting on the part of both teams, but particularly on the part of the S. D. U. squad, only twice did the red light flash. The first came when R. Lamontagne got his second score of the evening on a pass from his brother. In a pile-up in front of the Army cage Brehaut, Army net guardian, suffered a head injury. He was replaced by Johnson who played a good game and, although the Saints rushed again and again, shots were stopped by everything but the net. Dermo of the Army, however, was not so inaccurate when on a lone effort he drilled a shot past Frounier four minutes before the end of the game.

Army Line-up: Goal: Brehaut; Johnson; Defence: Brehaut
Johnson, Stead; Forwards: Wilson, Dermo,
Richards, Peters, Molyneaux.

Referees: Pat Power, and Leith Jay.

PLAY-OFF FOR FIRST POSITION

Y. M. C. A.—5

S. D. U.—1

The Saints went down to their first defeat of the season when they were submerged 5-1 at the hands of the well-balanced Y squad. The game, played in the Forum saw our boys outscored by one in the first period, keep their slate clean in a bristling second period, and outscored 4-1 in the final session.

The game opened slowly, both teams playing strictly defensive hockey and waiting for the breaks. Numerous line rushes were made in vain as tight defence work spoiled plays again and again. The Y broke into the score column when Johnson, a star of the game, picking up the puck behind the Saints' net, came around to push the tally home.

In a scoreless second period both teams battled hard, but were unable to score. The smooth-passing Y forwards came in again on the Saint's stronghold, but Fournier, in one of his best games of the year, pulled off saves that kept his supporters cheering madly.

In the first eight minutes of the final session, the Y squad forced the play and the wavering Red and White lads gave up three goals, one by Woolridge and two by Stewart. But the boys were still in there and the Lamontagnes finally combined to break the goose-egg. However, the Y were not through and before the session ended, MacDonald, husky defenceman, beat Fournier cleanly after a rink-length rush. The game, which was one of the most cleanly fought battles of the league, concluded five minutes after the final score.

C. H. L. SEMI-FINALS

FIRST GAME

Navy—6

S. D. U.—7

In the first game of the semi-finals the Saints took a 2-1 lead in the first period, lengthened their lead to 6-1 in the second period, and, after passing through a withering Navy attack in the third period, came out on the long end of the 7-6 score. The count at the end of the second bears mute testimony of the scoring punch of the strong S. D. U. squad. The Saints' victory was a result of the heads-up hockey played by them in the first two sessions. The forwards gave their best performance to date, offensively and defensively, while the defence broke up all Navy attacks launched against the sensational Fournier. The game was also the roughest to date, Milne of the Navy and Gendron of the Saints sustaining injuries which may well prevent their return to the line-ups this season.

The Saints, taking the offensive in the opening minutes of the initial period, soon had the play behind enemy lines, but could not flash the bulb until, after Fournier had robbed Whitlock of a sure goal, the Lamontagne brothers went through to dent the twines. A minute later Gerry Forbes, spearhead of the Saints' offensive, blazed a shot from the blueline that had Whelan beaten all the way. However, the Navy was soon in the running again, as Whitlock, situated as usual on Fournier's doorstep, tipped MacDonald's pass past Fournier at the nine minute mark.

The College boys really came to life in the second period outskating and outplaying the seamen all the way. Gendron, hard-working right-winger, accounted for the first goal

as he picked up a loose puck inside the Navy blueline and fired a shot that trickled off Whelan's pads. The Navy boys, unable to match the pace, began to rough it up and lost a man to the timekeeper with the result that the Saints scored two quick goals, the first from Mahar on a pass from A. J. MacAdam, the second by L. Lamontagne on a solo effort. Two minutes later Gerry Forbes outskated the Navy team on a breakaway and whistled a shot home.

The Tars took the ice in the third canto five goals down, but before the two minute mark had been reached, they had slapped in two quick tallies. Whitlock opened the scoring when he picked up MacAdam's pass at the S. D. U. goal-mouth. Seconds later G. MacAdam added another when he shot from the blueline on a pass from Whitlock. The Saints fought desperately and, although they controlled the play for the next five minutes, they couldn't register. Penalties now dealt out to the Saints proved costly as the Navy rapped in two more quick goals, MacDonald getting the first, and Whitlock the second. Then, in the absence of Whitlock and MacLean, Gerry Forbes accounted for what proved to be the winning goal on a pass from Cameron at the fourteen minute mark.

Navy Line-up: Goal: Whelan; Defence: MacAdam, MacDougall, Fraser, Smith; Forwards: Whitlock, Blanchard, Milne, MacDonald, Calhoun, Jerome, Murphy, Thompson.

Referees: Leith Jay and "Tarky" Whitlock.

SECOND GAME

Navy—10

S. D. U.—5

In the second game of the Semi-Finals of the C. H. L., S. D. U. bowed to a 10-5 defeat at the hands of the strong Navy entry. With everything hanging on the outcome both squads played at a dizzy pace and produced good hockey throughout. The Saints kept on even scoring terms with the Navy sextet until the half-way mark of the final period was reached, when the superior condition of the Tars began to assert itself and the seamen romped through the fast tiring S. D. U. boys to score 5 goals. The Navy exhibited finer

sportsmanship as winners than as losers; hacking, tripping, and hitting were noticeable in this game by their absence.

The first sixteen minutes of the first period produced hockey galore, but no scores as both goalies made brilliant saves. The scorer was set to work soon after as Smith fed a pass to MacDonald whose shot beat Fournier cleanly. This goal evened the round score of the series, but the Saints were soon in the running again when G. Forbes blazed home a shot from the blueline, to make it 8-7 for S. D. U.

The Navy boys went two up on the Saints in the first six minutes of the second period as MacDonald and MacAdam scored on lone rushes. Jim Morris, shifty right-winger for the Saints, scored the equalizer in the middle of the session as he rifled a shot from the centre ice zone that flashed the bulb. This score was soon nullified, however, when the smooth-working Navy trio teamed up for the Tars' fourth goal.

In a score-riddled third period the Saints' hopes faded as the Navy out-scored them 6-3. The gang evened accounts twice, however, before they were smothered by a deluge. "Pluto" Cameron, playing his first game of Senior hockey scored on a passing play with his centreman Gerry Forbes.

Although Whitlock soon put the Navy one up again, this lead was also short-lived as MacAdam, S. D. U. defence-man, beat Whelan on a shot from the blueline. Pressure was increased by the Navy and soon three goals by Whitlock, MacDonald, and Calhoun were slapped in before the Saints returned with one goal by R. Lamontagne. The College lads were now playing five forwards and the Navy, capitalizing on the wide-open play, came in to shoot home two more goals from the sticks of Blanchard and MacDonald. The final score gave the Navy a 16-12 lead on the round.

Navy Line-up: Goal: Whelan; Defence: Fraser, MacDougall, MacAdam; Forwards: Whitlock, Blanchard, Calhoun, Thompson, MacDonald, Murphy, Jerome.

Referees: Leith Jay, "Tarky" Whitlock.

SECOND TEAM HOCKEY

The Second Team has had a rather successful season. Under the guidance of their Coach Reverend F. L. Cass, assisted by Jim Higgins, the younger boys have had much practice in this sport, in which many of them display real ability. Two of the forwards, E. Cameron and F. McTague, have recently moved up to Senior ranks, the former giving a good account of himself in the Semi-finals of the C. H. L.

To date, Second Team have played one game with the P. W. C. Junior Team. The result of this evenly-contested battle was a 3—all draw. The scorers for the young Saints were A. MacEntee who accounted for two goals and E. Cameron for the third,

2nd S. D. U. Line-up: Goal: G. Sullivan; Defence: J. Rossiter, J. Dalziel, I. MacDonald; Forwards: E. Cameron, (Capt.) P. Steele, A. MacEntee, F. McTague, M. Hennessey, R. Dorsey, H. Stewart.

INTRAMURAL HOCKEY

Periods of exceedingly mild weather and other obstacles have prevented the completion of the Intramural league thus far. However, the boys are enthusiastically looking forward to the play-offs. Five teams, namely, the Co-Eds, the Aces, the Chiefs, the Flyers, and the Lions are still battling down the stretch for a play-off position. The Co-Eds, a star-studded outfit from Dalton Hall, still claim the title of "Undefeated." However, as it is not all over yet, any team may come in for the "Intramural Championship."

BASKETBALL

Basketball, the up-and-coming sport at S. D. U. for the past few years, has, like all other newly-fostered sports, had its ups and downs. It has come up through various fortunes until, in 1942, its position as a major sport was acknowledged by all. It was established.

The 1942-43 season bid fair to be the biggest season yet, with the promise of Army, Navy and Air Force teams, and the possibility of a Senior League. But this fell through.

Still the prospects seemed bright, but once again the War intervened and closed its grip, in the form of C. O. T. C. and Service hours, on the hopes of the basketeers. The result is that the boys have been able to have no more than a few practices; games have been at a premium; and basketball is fading.

However one ray of hope still glimmers—Prospects of a game or two with the strong navy five and possibility of a series with P. W. C. looms large on the hoop horizon. Let's hope that something comes of this, and that the fast court sport does not become a dead issue.

