

Although basketball is not a new sport at S. D. U. there never has been a very great interest shown in it by the students. Hockey has always dominated the winter sporting scene and the court game was, for the most part, neglected. This year, however, the picture seems to be reversed for it is hockey that has been pushed into the background.

The reason for this situation is not too hard to understand when one is aware of the fact that the old City League which for so many years was the first team's playing outlet, has been driven into oblivion. Thus, the number of games in which the Saints can participate has been greatly reduced, and although interest in hockey hasn't dropped noticeably, there has been a renewed intrest in basketball in the hope that it will take up the slack caused by the inactivity of our hockey team.

The Saints' basketball team is once again entered in the Island League, and judging from the results of the games played so far, our's is the best of the six teams. In eight games (three exhibition and five league) the wearers of Red and White have not yet been beaten. Led by Jack Reardon, who considers it an off-night when he sinks less than ten baskets, the Saints have been making life miserable for the other competitors. The eight youthful athletes who comprise the playing strength of the team can be excused, perhaps, if they feel a little proud of their enviable record; but the necessary evil called playoffs is still a good distance away and almost anything can happen between now and then.

THE BASKETBALL TEAM

Since a quick glance at the line-up might be in order at this time, a brief sketch of the individual players is presented below:

Putting first things first, a word should be said about the team captain. He is **FRED COYLE** who is playing for his second year on the squad, and who is finding this his most successful one. Last season Fred concentrated on defensive play, but this year he has reversed his style with the result that he is scoring more points and is one of the offensive stars of the team.

WILLIAM READY, commonly known as 'Fox' is the only representative of the Senior class. 'Fox' plays an equally effective game as a guard and as a centre. This year he has been playing the center position where his height can be used to greater advantage.

A short sketch like this can hardly do justice to a player like **JACK REARDON** on whom pages could be written on his scoring feats alone. He now holds the S. D. U. record for the number of points scored in a single game (43) and last year he was ahead in the scoring race by something like a country mile. This year he is playing his usual good ball, and if the Saints win, you can rest assured that Jack will be a big gun.

PETER DUNPHY is a forward and one of the two Sophomores playing on the team. It is doubtful if anyone in the league plays a more aggressive game than he does. He seldom, if ever, plays a poor game and often his performances are outstanding.

DAVE KENNEDY, a Junior, is a veteran of the basketball court. Playing for his third year with the Saints he has become an integral unit in the line-up, and can always be relied upon to turn in a steady performance. This year he is playing his usual game, and a good one it is.

JOE MULLALLY is a little man from a little town. Though basketball players are usually tall, Joe is the exception. He is very aggressive and, if we were to judge from the number of points he garners, it can safely be said that his shortness is certainly no obstacle to him.

CYRIL MacISAAC is having his second season with the team. He is a guard of more than average ability and rightfully deserves praise as one of the best players of that position in the league.

CLARENCE MacDONALD is the only newcomer to the Saints' line-up this year. He ably plays guard and, along with Cyril, presents a formidable defense against opposing forwards.

REVEREND WALTER MacGUIGAN is the coach of this classy array of basketball talent; and, without doubt,

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE



Seated: James Saunders, Walter Reid, Reginald Doucette (President), Stanislaus Mooney, William McNeely.

Standing: James Larkin, Earl MacKinnon, Joseph Mallette, John Mullally, Earl Smith, Ralph MacQuaid, Rev. Fr. MacGuigan (Faculty Advisor).

this fine team stands as tribute to his coaching ability. Last year things looked dark when only a few of the regulars remained after the ranks were depleted by graduation. But he managed to form a team which competed favorably in the league, even though it did not win the championship. This year those same players, with but one addition, are leading the league and are expected to take the championship. Such achievements point to expert coaching.

In an activity of this kind thre is usually a forgotten man. He has a very important position and his duties are onerous, but too frequently he is overlooked by the fans. In this case the person is Basketball Manager, **JOHN MULLALLY.** His job of arranging games, transportation, and filling the players' necessities is not an easy one; and for the proper exercise of his duties he deserves appreciation and thanks. And so we thank him.

Here is a brief sketch of the games played:

LEAGUE GAMES

SAINTS 53

RAYS 37

In the first game of the Island League schedule the Saints won a fairly decisive victory. The game was noteworthy in that Jack Reardon was held to only eight points; however, Pete Dunphy and Fred Coyle took over scoring duties and led the team to the triumph.

SAINTS 73

Y. M. C. A. 52

With Jack Reardon garnering twenty-six points, the Saints took over top place in the league standings. Other high scorers for the night were Pete Dunphy with seventeen and Fred Coyle with twelve.

SAINTS 45

SCHURMAN'S 44

A successful foul shot by Pete Dunphy in the dying seconds of this game gave the Saints a hard-earned victory over the Schurman's squad at Summerside. Reardon, Coyle, and Dunphy again led the scorers for the Saints.

SAINTS 40

R. C. A. F. 31

In closing we would like to leave you with a thought Saints strengthened their hold on first place with this victory over the powerful flyers. Tight defensive work and erratic shooting accounted for the low score. Joe Mullally and Jack Reardon were the team's leading scorers.

SAINTS 75 RAYS 51

With Jack Reardon amassing the amazing number of thirty-six points the Saints really swamped their opponents in this game and at the same time won their fifth consecutive game. Something unusual occurred when Ray's lost two of their six men on fouls and had to continue the game with a 'Saint' making the fifth in their lineup.

EXHIBITION GAMES

Saints 54; P. W. C. 50 Saints 64; Y. M. C. A. 36 Saints 70; P. W. C. 42

HOCKEY

As was already mentioned, the first team is not entered in any league this year; so any hockey, apart from Intercollegiate competition, is in the form of exhibition clashes. The team is once again under the guidance of A. J. MacAdam and Reverend George MacDonald who act as coach and Faculty-advisor respectively. James Saunders, a Junior, is filling the busy position of Manager.

EXHIBITION GAMES

To date three games of this kind have been played so that the team may be whipped into shape for the Intercollegiate series. The Saints have lost but one of these encounters—to East Royalty by a score of 7-4. But they have posted wins over Montague (8-3) and also over Morell 5-1). Below are given the highlights of these games:

SAINTS 8 MONTAGUE 3

The Saints won their first appearance of the year by building up a substantial lead in the first two periods and then resisting a determined effort on the part of the Meteors in the third period. The Saints showed scoring ability on all three lines.

SAINTS 4 ROYALS 7

The East Royalty Royals played better and rougher hockey than the Saints during this game in the Saint Dun-

stan's rink to come out on top when the bell rang. The game was close during the first two periods but in the third the visitors ran wild. Rusty Callaghan was leading scorer for the Saints as he scored two. Cliff Bernard and Maurice Flynn each scored one.

SAINTS 5 MORELL 1

In another game played in the campus-rink the Saints were more successful than previously. The Saints had little difficulty defeating the visitors as the second line of Shreenan, Houde, and Chretian led the scoring and showed some fancy passing.

INTERCOLLEGIATE HOCKEY

Once again the Saints first team is competing for the Maritime crown. While there are many new faces on the squad, it is felt that, on the whole, the Saints are stronger than last year. However, in the one game played they failed to win; so nobody is predicting that we will win the championship. Here is a resume of the game played:

SAINTS 4 ST. THOMAS 5

After journeying to Chatham the Saints were sent home with nothing more than a defeat, and a heart-breaker at that. Once again, all three lines figured in the scoring with Houde getting two, Deighan one, and Flynn one.

INTRAMURAL HOCKEY

As usual the Intramural League is in full swing now although it was delayed because of unseasonable weather. The number of teams in the league has dropped from eight to six with Grades X and XI pooling their ability and the Grade XII and Commercial students doing likewise. At present the Sophomores are in the lead. The biggest surprise of the year is the reformed Junior team which won its first game this year after going the whole season last year without a win.