

Saints Play at Mt. 'A' Saturday

It will be a more experienced and a more confident St. Dunstan's football team travelling to Sackville this weekend, knowledgeable of the fact that despite pre-game feelings to the contrary, they nearly upset the powerful Stadacona Sailors. With a bit of luck and a better start, the Saints could have come through with an upset tantamount to St. Mary's University upsetting Don Loney's X-Men down in the Valley of Death. But it was not to be so.

MORE CONFIDENCE

It is another weekend though and with it is another chance to get into the win column. "We had been working hard for this game since Labor Day," said Coach Ed Hilton, "but we made a few careless errors in Saturday's ball game. However, we have worked on these for the past week. We outplayed Stad in several departments, and we're in good shape. The boys have more confidence now, I think, since we came so close last time."

Mount Allison have played two games to date. They lost the first 28-12 against the U.N.B. Red Devils, although they were leading at the half. Last week they



MIKE MacPHEE

drubbed the Acadia Axemen 79-13. In a pre-season exhibition game, Mt. "A" beat Dalhousie Tigers 27-6. However, judging from the reports out of Halifax on the various AFC clubs, Mount A may have trouble making the first

division, a far cry from their third place finish last year.

PLAYER ADJUSTMENTS

Coach Hilton says that there will be a few player adjustments for tomorrow's game. He hopes to have Dave O'Brien back on the defensive team. O'Brien injured his back in a practice last week, and missed the Stadacona encounter. However he has been practising regularly since Tuesday. Coach Hilton said he may try Dave Phalen going both ways, at his usual linebacker spot and at right wing back.

Perhaps the most evident factor about the game Saturday was the top physical condition that the St. Dunstan's team displayed — courtesy, of course, to the Ed Hilton exercises and wind sprints. On the other hand, the Stad team had to be treated several times by SDU physician, Dr. Frank Burge, who was called to the field.

BETTER CLUB SATURDAY

What does Hilton think of the game tomorrow? "We learned a lot from the game with Stad, and we found out that there were some adjustments to be made in the line-up. It takes a game to see these things, and I feel we will be a better ball club next Saturday."

Asked if he felt the Stad game was a moral victory, he blasted: "We have heard this business of moral victory so many times in the past two or three years that it is getting to the point where you would almost think we are going to settle for a so-called moral victory. But those things don't count a darn thing; it is still a loss for us on the scoreboard and we're not playing to lose."

ST. MARY'S AND TECH.

DROP OUT OF HOCKEY LOOP

Nova Scotia Technical College of Halifax announced recently that it will not enter a team into the Maritime Intercollegiate Hockey League for the coming season. It is believed that the reason given was the inability of the College to ice a reasonably strong team of high calibre players, since most of the students there are taking post graduate work. Last year Tech finished last, well below the other teams.

Earlier, St. Mary's University, also of Halifax, dropped out of the league because S.M.U. does not have a rink of its own. Ice time is at a premium in Halifax, and satisfactory arrangements with the Rink Managements in that city proved to be unsatisfactory.

EIGHT TEAMS

With the entrance of the University of Moncton, formally known as St. Joseph's University, there are now eight teams in the league.

S.D.U. Athletic Director, A. J. MacAdam and Varsity Coach, Jack Kane, attended a league conference on Sunday, October 4, but results of this meeting were not available at press time. However, there was some belief that the schedule would need revision because of the two drop-outs. According to the unrevised schedule, S.D.U. was to play thirteen games, two before Christmas: Mt. A. on the road and Acadia at home.

A. F. C. Standings

| | Stad | SDU |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs | 11 | 13 |
| By Rushing | 8 | 11 |
| By Passing | 2 | 0 |
| By Penalties | 1 | 2 |
| Yards Rushing | 198 | 139 |
| Yards Lost Rushing | 8 | 20 |
| Net Yards Rushing | 190 | 119 |
| Passes att.-comp. .. | 9/3 | 10/0 |
| Yards Passing | 33 | 0 |
| Punts-Avg. | 40.4/8 | 45.1/7 |
| Punt Returns | 3.4/7 | 2.5/8 |
| Field Goals | | |
| Att.-Comp. | 1/0 | 1/0 |
| Kickoffs Avg. | 47/2 | 45/1 |
| Kickoff returns-Avg. | 7/1 | 19/2 |

League Benefits By Billy's Return

By Charley MacMillan



The success or failure of a hockey season is measured most accurately by the number of people who shell out money to see the games. This is an old axiom of professional games, and a rule strictly adhered to by the men who run the front offices. If the fans are willing to come out in vast numbers, it's a safe bet that the league is in good hands.



BILLY MacMILLAN

There are several factors which cause the fans to support the teams, but certainly close competition between the clubs is the best formula for success in any league. When this is coupled with several superstars throughout the circuit, however, results are measured in words like super-success. It's an old story about athletic games: fans are willing to see their favorites play no matter what the cost. Superstars go hand in hand with success at the box office. The Maritime Intercollegiate League, I don't think, is an exception to the rule. Good crowds mean good business at the box offices. It is little wonder then that the circuit is breathing a sigh of relief lately. You may have noticed that Billy MacMillan, the league's biggest super-star, has returned to St. Dunstan's for another season. It was MacMillan, in case you didn't know, who returned from Toronto

Maple Leafs raining camp, and swelled the hearts of the citizens of Antigonish by almost attending their fine institution. Almost, but not quite.

HELPED LEAGUE IMAGE

It is difficult to dispute MacMillan's record during his one year tenure with St. Dunstan's: he led the team to its most successful season in 17 years; he was league scoring champion; he was a member of the first all-star team by a land-slide vote; he won the most valuable player award; and, more importantly, he was successful in his academic endeavors despite his leave of absence from the academic world during the previous year. But his success with St. Dunstan's extended farther than that. He brought to Intercollegiate sports a new significance, especially here on the Island. People became interested in the league and fans flocked to the games. The point that really counts is this: the league's image, especially in these times when provincial circuit's are in such a depression, has never been better.

". . clocks . . to insert . ."

There have been reams of print written about last season; however, the events that will be transacted in the months ahead is what counts. Each team in the circuit has from all reports, improved over last year. The fact that St. Mary's and Nova Scotia Tech have dropped out doesn't change the situation to any marked degree. There will be much work done with the teams: changes made, rebuilding jobs performed, and sore muscles treated. Then there are external repairs: bleachers to paint (or build as the case may be), clocks to repair (or insert, as the case may be), et cetera ad nauseam. Or is it all that obvious?

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GREEN DOLPHIN STREET

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THE GREAT ESCAPE

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PALM SPRINGS WEEKEND

Troy Donahue — Connie Stephens

Saints Edged in Season Opener

A quarterback sneak from the thirty-five yard line cost the ball game for St. Dunstan's University Saints last Saturday in what would have been one of the biggest upsets of the season. The 6-0 win gave Ed MacLeod's Stadacona Sailors a comfortable four point lead in the A.F.C. standings. (For the complete league standings, see elsewhere on this page.) Stad picked up their touchdown on the fifth down of the ball game, only seconds after the game started. Stad quarterback, Dick Cordick, who played an outstanding game for the Sailors, ran up the middle from the 35 yard line and scampered unfollowed across the goal line. The convert attempt by Bill Nikkelson was lost when he received a poor snap.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Inclement weather prevailed for Saturday's game. It rained for the most part in the first half, with high winds blowing. The skies cleared for the final half, but the fierce wind hampered a good passing game.

After Stadacona scored its touchdown, play evened up considerably. Each team traded the ball going back and forth down the field, but rarely did they get in a good scoring position.

St. Dunstan's came within a hair of getting a gift touchdown in the third quarter. With the Sailors deep in their own territory, quarterback Dick Cordick put the ball right into SDU lineman Vince Fisher, who was near the Stad end zone. However, the ball got away from him—and so did the T.D.

SECOND CHANGE

SDU got another chance late in the half when they reached the ten yard line. After two unsuccessful attempts to go over, they fumbled the ball at the line of scrimmage on the third down.

There were no good scoring threats until late in the fourth quarter. The Sailors moved down to the SDU's eight yard line with five minutes remaining, and presented a serious threat. However, Dave Morton, who played a strong two way game for the Saints, recovered a fumble at the line of scrimmage and SDU took over possession.

GAME OVER

It was at this juncture in the ball game that the Saints had their best chance of getting the tying touchdown. Quarterback John Driscoll elected to go to the air for the big pass, but his first two attempts failed. On the last



VINCE FISHER

play of the game, on a fake punt formation, Vince Mulligan moved down field for the long pass. Driscoll threw a pass just above Mulligan's hands, but Vince failed to see the ball in time. Game over.

SDU fullback Mike MacPhee was the leading ground gainer in the game with 90 yards gained in 23 carries. Jim Griffith had 35 yards on 10, while John Driscoll had fourteen in nine attempts.

Dick Cordick picked up 87 yards in 13 carries for the Sailors; Dave Mulder got 39 yards on nine tries.

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