

## SPORTS SOUNDS

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### LET'S NOT QUIT NOW

About seven weeks ago the Saint Dunstan's University Saints began football practice. Ever since the opening days of training those who observed the team thought it to be much improved over the 1965 Saints. Hopes began to spring up that the Saints would be a contender for either first or second place.

The game at Fredericton on October 1, though a losing venture, did not dampen these hopes greatly. In fact the game lost to UNB seemed to ignite the fire surrounding the Saints even more.

Then the Tigers from Dalhousie invaded our campus for a game. This proved to be a happy moment for Saint Dunstan's University. The sun seemed to shine all afternoon for the Saints. The gods were with us. Forty-nine points were amassed by the Red and White team. All was right with the world.

Next, it was off to Halifax to face the healthy Huskies of Saint Mary's. The Saints lost, but played well. The fans were encouraged. The players had more confidence. The Saints could still make second place. All still seemed right with the world.

Then came the Acadia Axemen and disaster at home. The team from Wolfville humiliated Saint Dunstan's. They seemed to score at will, especially in the second half of the game. The Saints seemed to have lost interest. In fact, the fans lost interest. There was no cheering; there was no encouragement for the players; the fans looked bored. The score was 43-6 for Acadia in what was considered to be the crucial game for Saint Dunstan's. Is all now wrong with the world?

Saint Dunstan's has two remaining games. One is against the perennial powerful Saint Francis Xavier X-Men, and the other against Mount Allison. The idea of victory must not be abandoned. Too much has gone into this team to give up now. Now, more than ever, the Saints can prove their worth as a football team. It is the sign of good competitors and good athletes to give their all, even when facing an apparently insurmountable obstacle.

The worth of the football Saints as a team will be proven this Saturday. It will not be proven on the scoreboard; victory or defeat is not the criterion. It will matter only whether or not the Red and White team plays for keeps. If every player gives all he can, no matter what the score be, then all connected with the squad can be proud.

The fans will also be on the spot. They cannot give up, as they did in the Acadia game, and expect the players to carry on for their cause. The fans must remember that the team is fighting for the sake of the whole university.

### AND SO IT GOES . . .

The Varsity Hockey Team will soon be hard in practice. The team would have been training much earlier had the powers that be complied with the coach and opened the rink a few weeks ago. The first home exhibition game for the Saints will be played during the homecoming weekend of November 18-20 . . . The Varsity Basketball Team is tuning up for practice under the guidance of Lenny Sirois. Ed Hilton will take over come the end of the football season . . . Would you believe that Saint Mary's was dropped off the list of the top ten ranking college football teams after their game against UNB? It's true, yet this list, compiled by the Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union, rates St. F.X. as number seven. Something is wrong somewhere. The Toronto Varsity Blues are rated the top team . . . This will be the last home game for football seniors John Driscoll, Postie Connolly, and Barry Puiia. Both John and Postie have been through the grind four times as Saints . . . The results of the Student-Faculty Golf Tournament show that Bob Irwin's gross low score of 77 was good enough for top honours. The lowest net score (including handicap) was chalked up by Ernie Corrigan, while Father MacDonald led the faculty with a gross 90 and a net 73 . . . Bruce Taylor, quarterback of the U. of T. Varsity Blues, has become the all-time scoring leader in the Ontario-Quebec Athletic Association, passing the record of 152 points of Ronnie Stewart, former Queen's star now with the Ottawa Roughriders . . . It is nice to see recognition given to Billy MacMillan by the Winnipeg Free Press . . . Dalhousie's 20-0 victory over Mount Allison last Saturday doesn't say much for Mt. A. Dalhousie was unimpressive when they played against the Saints earlier in the season . . . Looking into the crystal ball, I see the Hamilton Tiger Cats defeating the Saskatchewan Roughriders in the Grey Cup Game on November 26 . . . The Saints will be missing Ron Jackson, out for the season with an injured ankle, and Larry DiMarco, who has departed from our venerable institution, when they meet the X-Men this Saturday. All other regulars are expected to be dressed tomorrow.

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### AXEMEN CHOP DOWN SAINTS

## X-MEN ON DECK; MT. A. TO FOLLOW

After a disappointing showing (43-6) against the Acadia Axemen two weeks ago, the Saint Dunstan's University Saints await the powerful Saint Francis Xavier X-men tomorrow and then move on to Sackville for their final outing of the season against Mount Allison. The Saints will be well rested for this game as they have not played in two weeks.

It was a sad day for all concerned with the fate of the SDU football team on the afternoon of October 15. Right from the opening kickoff it was game-on for Acadia. The powerful running of the big Acadian backs Ross Stanley, Warren Roy and Art Howard coupled with the fine signal calling of quarterback Wally O'Meara proved too much for the Saints defence. The Axemen amassed over 450 yards rushing during the afternoon in registering their second victory of the season.

Scoring for the winners were Ross Stanley with 3 touchdowns, Warren Roy with 2, and Wally O'Meara and John Glasnovic with one each. Dave Hirsch was good on only one of seven convert attempts. Jim Foley accounted for SDU's sole unconverted touchdown.

The Saints offence was relatively effective in total yards rushing. However, the Red and White team could not put together a sustained drive leading to a score. It seemed that on every sequence of plays some drive would be starting, only to be wiped out either by some poor play or penalty.



SDU's Ron Jackson and Steve Clarkson (58) are set to down a falling Axeman, John Glasnovic, just short of the St. Dunstan's goal line. Bob Driscoll (20) and Allan Connolly (68) are moving in to help on the play. The Axeman scored shortly afterwards and went on to win the game 43-6.

So now the stage is set for the contest with the big rough, and fast X-Men. Saint Dunstan's has not fared too well against the men from Antigonish, yet now, more than ever before, the Saints can give the Xaverians a good run for their money.

X has defeated Mount Allison, Dalhousie and UNB with relative ease. In fact, only UNB has managed to score a point against this team. Last fall at Antigonish the Saints were completely humiliated; it was the worst defeat (90-0) a team has suffered in the Bluenose Conference. This will not hap-

pen this year, but it will take a strong effort from all SDU players to keep in the game for the full sixty minutes.

If the prospects for tomorrow's game do not look too encouraging from Saint Dunstan's point of view, there is always the game next Saturday at Mt. A. to look forward to. The boys from Sackville are having a rough season. In losing their first three starts the Mount Allison defence has allowed 138 points while their offence has managed a meagre seven.

UNB plays host to Mount Allison tomorrow and the re-

sults of that game should leave the Sackvillers with an 0-4 record. If the Saints are able to stay healthy for the game at Mt. A., even if they should lose tomorrow, then they should be able to end the season with a 2-4 record which, although far from perfect, would be an improvement over last year. Such a record would probably leave SDU in fifth place in the final standings.

At any rate, the present need is for a good turnout of active fans for tomorrow's game to help throw a scare into those often over-rated X-Men.

### SCORING

Scoring the Saints only touchdown against Acadia, Jim Foley moved into first place among SDU scorers. The following is a run-down of the point getters.

	TD	S	C1	C2	Pts
Jim Foley	3	2	0	0	20
C-Y MacDonald	3	0	0	0	18
John Kinsella	2	0	2	1	16
Owen Jay	2	0	0	0	12
Larry DiMarco	1	0	0	0	6
Ken Hubley	0	0	0	2	4

### STANDINGS

Following are the standings of the Bluenose Football Conference as of Friday, October 28, 1966

	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Saint Mary's	4	4	0	0	8
Saint F.X.	3	3	0	0	6
Acadia	3	2	1	0	4
UNB	5	2	3	0	4
St. Dunstan's	4	1	3	0	2
Dalhousie	4	1	3	0	2
Mount Allison	3	0	3	0	0

### MENS' SOFTBALL

The following are the standings for the Mens' intermural softball league:

	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Freshmen	5	5	0	0	10
Seniors	5	4	1	0	8
Sophomore A	5	3	2	0	6
Juniors	5	2	2	2	5
Engineers	5	1	4	0	2
Sophomore B	5	0	4	1	1

Listed below are the results of the Ladies Softball League:

	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Mt. St. Mary's	2	2	0	0	4
Marian	2	1	1	0	2
Day Students	2	0	2	0	0

The soccer league went this way:

	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Seniors	3	3	0	0	6
Sophomores	3	2	1	0	4
Freshmen	3	0	1	2	2
Juniors	3	0	1	2	2

## THE LOCAL SCENE

Poor weather conditions have hampered play on the intermural level over the past two weeks. Yet, enough games were completed to conclude the regular season of the Men's Softball League, the Ladies' Softball Team and the Mens' Soccer League.

Led by shortstop Ed Mitchell and centerfielder Bill Rooney, the Freshmen Class took top honors in the Mens' Softball League. These neo-Saints compiled a perfect 5-0 record defeating all other teams in the league. The Seniors ended as runners-up in posting a 4-1 record. Herb Murphy and George Doughart played key roles in helping the old boys to second

spot. Looking to the better half of the Softball League, the girls from the Mount were allowed out long enough to defeat both Marian girls and the day students. Irene Larken and Donna Gardner were the big guns for the league leaders while Marie Murphy and Ann Smith were the bright lights for the Marianists.

On the soccer front it was the Seniors all the way. With Brian Dornan and Ron Gallant pacing the team, the veterans of campus life chalked up a 3-0 record. The Sophomores, with Ivanhoe Chevannes and Omar Martin at the fore, finished a close second.

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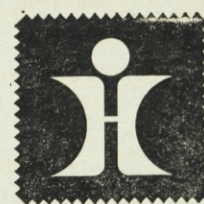
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