

Once again we have something new to report in regard to basketball. We readily recall that last year for the first time St. Dunstan's had a basketball team representing it in the Maritime Intercollegiate Basketball League, N.B.-P.E.I. Section. We may also recall how that team came within one point of the N.B.-P.E.I. winners, or within two points of actually winning the series. However, even though they failed to come home from the combat with the basketball title, we had nothing but the highest praises and congratulations for them and their playing coach Peter Dunphy. No one could expect more, especially from a team which for the first time tried its skill in Intercollegiate play.

This year, things were different. The Saints played in the same circuit as last year against St. Thomas University, U. N. B., and Mt. A. The St. Dunstan's team walked through the schedule, winning the six games without a loss. This won for them the opportunity to meet St. F. X., the Nova Scotia winners, for the Maritime Intercollegiate Basketball Crown. In the first game of the two games total points finals, played in the S. D. U. Gym, the Saints bowed to the Xaverians 43-46. Although this loss in their home game presented a somewhat dark picture, the Saints did not call it quite. They travelled to Antigonish for the second and deciding game of the series. The team was playing without the services of forward, Pete Dunphy, while Earl MacKinnon and Jack Reardon played with injured ankles. Playing a hard game against great odds, the Saints were once again denied a win by the slim margin 61-64, giving the Xaverians the Maritime Intercollegiate Title. With only two years of experience in intercollegiate circles, the Saints have made a very commendable showing.

Not only did the Saints reach the finals in Maritime Intercollegiate Basketball, but they entered the Intermediate play-downs against the Nova Scotian winners, the same team which, one week earlier, had denied them the

Intercollegiate title. The play-off series was a two games total points series, with both games played at St. F. X. As luck would have it, there was no plane flight and the Saints had to make the 250 miles road trip by car. They arrived at St. F. X. just in time to don uniforms and go on the floor. Necessarily tired from such a trip, the Saints could not show their usual pluck and scoring punch. This is clearly demonstrated by the fact that Jack Reardon scored only 9 points in the game, something formerly unheard of. It was a tough game, with the Xaverians, fresh and ready to go, pressing the Saints at all times. As a result, the Saints came out on the short end of a 68-48 score, leaving them with a 20 point deficit to make up the following night in order to win the title.

The boys, always gving their best, did not give up but came back with a good performance in the second game. It was another loss but the defeated Saints took it like men. The game was hard fought throughout, ending with the score 77-71. This loss gave the Xaverians the N.S.-P.E.I. Intermediate Title by a score of 145-119. Judging from the showing the Saints made in Intermediate and Intercollegiate play, we can, without any exaggeration, say that they have had a very successful year, and we offer them our congratulations.

The improvement over last year's team may be attributed in part to the addition to the team last fall of Johnny Taylor and Andre Dorais, both of whom displayed a great deal of ability in ball handling and play making. Then Jack Reardon, true to his old form, hit consistently for totals ranging from 9 to 55 points per game. Jack was the playing coach of the team. Bob Mooney played his usual strong defensive game throughout the season, scoring his share of the team points.

This year, five members of the team will be graduated. They are Cyril MacIsaac, Peter Dunphy, oJe Mullally, Earl MacKinnon, and Clarence MacDonald. Joe and Pete played together on the same forward line and always constituted a formidable offence. Earl played forward for the team and proved his ability on many occasions with his variety of hook shots, jump shots, and lay-ups. Cy and Clarence played as guards on the team and together set up a very strong defence. Cy was the captain of the team for the season and always endeavored to keep his boys well soldered together.

Rev. Walter McGuigan, for several years coach of the Saints' teams, remained with the team this year as faculty-adviser and we feel that a share of the credit going to the team for its success should be passed on to him. Gerald Johnston was the basketball manager for the season and carried out his duties very capably and efficiently.

This year, for the first time in the history of St. Dunstan's a Second team has carried the college colors and represented us in a regular basketball league, the Abegweit House League composed of five teams: the Second Saints, the Second Abbies, the Arabs, Rays and P.W.C. The Second Saints have made an excellent showing. During the regular season they have played eight games winning all. In the semi-finals, they played the Abbies in a best out of three games series winning it in two straight games to score a position for themselves in the league finals. The finals were played against P.W.C.—a best out of three series. Again the Saints came up with a two straight win to claim the Abegweit House League Championship. Coached by Bob Mooney, the Second Saints have proved to us that they, too, have plenty of basketball ability and seem to promise fine material for future college teams. To Bob and the boys, then, we extend the hartiest congratulations. We hope they will be able to continue as members of the league next year.

The following are the summaries of games played by each team.

# FIRST TEAM

SAINTS 84 ST. THOMAS U. 42

For the fourteenth time this season the Saints have come off the court victorious and without a loss. The game was played in the S.D.U. Gym. It started off very fast and the Saints took a 49-9 lead in the first half. The St. Thomas team played better ball in the second half to hold their own, being outscored by only 2 points. Reardon scored 42 points to average 38 points in the three intercollegiate games played. Joe Mullally had 11 points. Pete Dunphy had a field goal average of 100 percent while the team average was 36 per cent. O'Brien and Stephens led the visitors with 14 and 12 points respectively.

SAINTS 75 MOUNT A. 39

For the second time this season, the Saints downed the Mounties in the Intercollegiate League. This win gave the Saints claim to the N.B.-P.E.I. Intercollegiate Crown, since they had won the three previous games. The game was played in the S.D.U. Gym. Reardon was high for the Saints with 29 points followed by Johnny Taylor with 16 points. Bain led the Mounties with 10 points.

# SAINTS 74

ST. THOMAS U. 49

Once again the Saints won a decisive victory over the Tommies. The game was played at St. Thomas. It was not a very fast game and each team had 18 fouls called against them. The score at the half was 27-19 for the Saints. This was increased to 44-33 at the three-quarter mark. Reardon again led the scoring parade with 21 points. Second for the night was Jake Stephens for St. Thomas with 18 points.

### SAINTS 54

U. N. B. 49

Completing the N.B.-P.E.I. Intercollegiate series without a loss, the Saints defeated the U.N.B. squad, this time on their home court. The Saints led all the way in the hard fought game. The score at the quarters were 15-6, 22-19, 38-33, and 54-49. Reardon again paced his team to victory with 24 points.

# SAINTS 43

ST. F. X. 46

The powerful St. F. X. squad downed the Saints by a slim margin of 3 points to win the opening game of a home and home total points series for the Maritime Intercollegiate Basketball Title. The game was played in the S. D. U. gymnasium. It was considered to be the finest display of basketball ever given here. The Xaverians were more than a match for the Saints in height with Howie McNally, six foot five inch guard, scoring the final three points. The half time score was 13-22 in favor of the home team. Reardon was high point scorer for the night with 17 points. The Xaverian's play-maker Al Grassi was next with 16 points. McIsaac, Dorais, Mooney and Taylor all turned in brilliant rebounding performances.

#### SAINTS 61

ST. F. X. 64

The Saints were defeated for the second time by the Xaverians with the same 3 point margin to win the Intercollegiate series by 6 points. It was a very hard fought game all the way with the lead changing hands many

times. The half time score was St. F. X. 25-24. The Saints were playing without the services of 'pneumonia' Pete Dunphy who could not make the trip because of sickness, while Reardon and MacKinnon had ankle injuries. High scorer for the night was Jack Reardon with 27 points. Al Grassi starred for the winners with many brilliant hand-offs. High for the Xaverians was Campbell with 19 points.

#### SAINTS 48

ST. F. X. 68

Led by Al Grassi, the Xaverians took the lead in the two games total points series for the N.S.-P.E.I. Intermediate Title by a score 68-48. Both games, incidentally, were played in Antigonish. The Saints, stepping from their cars after a tiresome 250 mile trip, went on the floor somewhat tired. As a result the game was not as fast as the previous games. Jack Reardon, carefully guarded by McNally and McNeil, heights 6 ft. 5 in. and 6 ft. 4 in. respectively, was held down to 9 points. The colorful Grassi of St. F. X. led the scoring parade with 28 points.

#### SAINTS 71

ST. F. X. 77

In this final game in the two game Intermediate series, the Saints were defeated by 6 points to lose the series by the total score of 145-119 to the powerful St. F. X. team. This was a closely contested game from start to finish with the Saints showing some of their old form. The half time score was 41-39 for the Saints, but the Xaverians made a come-back in the final half. Reardon, playing an outstanding game and ever hard to guard, scored 27 points, followed by Dorais for the Saints with 16 points. High for the winners were Grassi and McNally with 16 points each.

# SAINTS 94

ABBIES 41

Playing without Cy McIsaac, Earl MacKinnon and Johnny Taylor, the Saints scored their fifth win in as many starts in Island League play. Jack Reardon, putting on a very impressive display of shooting scored more than half the Saints' points with 25 field goals and three free throws for a total of 53 points. This is a record individual game score for Island League basketball. Gus Dorais had 17 points and Joe Mullally 10 points. MacFayden was high for the Abbies with 12 points.

#### SAINTS 86

ABBIES 45

The Saints succeeded in downing the Abbies in the S. D. U. Gym to keep their winning streak in the Island League intact. The score at the half was Saints 41, Abbies 25. In the openly played game, Jack Reardon scored 18 points to lead the winners, followed by Pete Dunphy with 15. High for the Abbies was Scantlebury with 13.

# SAINTS 96

R. C. A. F. 38

In this game the Airmen fell victims to the First Saints to make it the Saints' sixteenth straight win. The Saints played a wide open game running up a high score. They played without forward Earl MacKinnon and guard Cy McIsaac. Reardon was high for the night with 26 points. Dorais and Taylor had 20 points each and Pete Dunphy had 13. Richmond led the Airmen with 12 points. The game was played in the College gymnasium.

#### SAINTS 86

ABBIES 55

In this game, the first of a best of three series for the Island Basketball Title, the Abbies fell victims to the Saints by a very decisive score. The score at the half was 43-27. The Saints were playing without forwards Pete Dunphy and Johnny Taylor. Jack Reardon was top scorer in the game with 24 points followed by Joe Mullally with 20 points. Gus Dorais scored 14 points with a strong defensive game. MacLean and Gillis each had 11 points for the Abbies. The game was played in the P.W.C. Auditorium.

#### SAINTS 76

ABBIES 34

The second and what proved to be the final game in the Island Basketball League was played in the S.D.U. Gymnasium. The Saints succeeded in downing the Abbies for a two straight win, and the Island Basketball Crown. Neither team was shooting a good percentage, and the score, as a result, was not high. Reardon hit for 24 points and Joe Mullally scored 19, making together more than half of the team score. MacFayden led the losers with 12 points.

#### SECOND TEAM

# SAINTS 58

ABBIES 50

In their final game in the regular schedule, the Second Saints succeeded in edging out the Abbies for the second

ond time this season. The Saints were playing without John Kelly and George McGuigan. Frank Slowey paced the winners with 22 points, followed by Tommy Kane and Charlie Roche with 7 points each. High for the Abbies was MacLean with 20 points. The game was played in the P.W.C. Auditorium.

# SAINTS 73

ABBIES 44

The league leading Second Saints defeated the Abbies once more in this, the opening semi-final game of the Abegweit House League. The game was fast with the Saints holding a decisive edge in the play throughout. Lawlor and Danny Shea led the Saints to victory with 16 points each. MacLean scored 24 points for the losers, followed by Ballem with 7 points.

# SAINTS 52

P. W. C. 41

In the first game of the finals against the P.W.C. Welshmen, the Second Saints scored a close victory in a well played game. The play was close all the way with a fight for each basket. The Saints were led to victory by the snappy work of Bud Lawlor in setting up his teammates on many scoring plays, and by the sharp shooting of Danny Shea who netted for himself 24 points. The game was played in the S.D.U. gymnasium.

#### SAINTS 67

P. W. C. 45

For the second time in the series, the P. W. C. team fell before the onrush of the Second Saints to give the Saints the series in two games. This was the final game in the Abegweit House League and was played in the P. W. C. auditorium. It was a very enjoyable game to watch. The Saints led by 20 points in the first half. This lead was cut down to about 10 points by the Welshmen in the third quarter. In the final quarter the Saints pulled away from them to win by 21 points. Farmer showed great form on the defensive, stopping numerous attacks. Starring up forward were Frank Slowey and Danny Shea, high for the Saints.

#### HOCKEY

The St. Dunstan's College hockey team has completed play for the season. In the Winter issue of **Red and White** we saw that the Saints had lost the first game of a home and home series with Mt. A. by the score 6-1. One week later the final game was played in the Mt. A. rink and showed the Saints playing much better hockey. However, the odds were against them going into the game with a 5 goal deficit. The Mounties succeeded in edging the Saints out by the slim margin of one goal, 7-6. This gave them the series 13-7. We feel sure that had the ice conditions been favourable at the College or had the Saints had the opportunity of a few practices on a large ice surface before the Intercollegiate games, they would have made a better showing. At any rate, they have given it a noble try and we cannot expect more.

Besides Intercollegiate hockey, the Saints played an exhibition game with the Borden Youth Club team. This was an easy victory for the Saints who won by the score 16-6. It was their final game for the year.

The following is the summary of the games.

#### SAINTS 6

MOUNT A. 7

The game was played in the Mount Allison rink. The Mounties took a 6-1 lead in the first half of the playing time, scoring four goals to one by L. MacDonald for the Saints in the first period. In the second period the Mounties continued with two goals in quick succession. The latter part of the second period showed the Saints making a brilliant come-back on a goal by Flynn. In the final period the Saints scored four goals to one in their final drive. Michaud scored two goals, Paul Jay one, and Rusty Callaghan one. This loss gave Mt. A. a 13-7 score to place them in the Maritime Intercollegiate Hockey finals.

#### SAINTS 16

#### BORDEN YOUTH CLUB 6

The Saints played their exhibition game at Borden late in February. 'Bunny' Gillis was in the nets. Michaud, Mc-Innis, and Ready each hit for four goals, while Bill Mc-Isaac scored three and Paul Jay one. The game was wide open leaving the Saints with a wide edge on the play. This was the final game for the team this year.

# INTRAMURAL HOCKEY

The Intramural hockey league had a very successful year as far as it went. The season was late in geting under way because of warm weather and consequently poor ice conditions. However, the schedule was well managed and no time was wasted. The winners in semi-final play-offs were not completed due to the fact that some of the members of the Senior team were engaged in Intrcollegiate basketball play and as a result were unable to appear on ice. We regret to report that there were no winners decided in the league.

# JUVENILE HOCKEY

In juvenile circles, both college and high school leagues had a successful year. In the college league, the Freshman team, captained by Earl Handrahan, was the winner. In the high school league the Red Wings were the winners, captained by Gerald Tierney.

The Freshman lineup is as follows: Earl Handrahan, A. MacKinnon, U. MacLellan, D. Wedge, L. LeClair, R. McInnis, J. MacDonald, A. Seaman, St. C. Trainor, J. Taylor and E. Smith.

The Red Wings are as follows: G. Tierney, C. Molyneau, J. Carragher, C. Campbell, L. Hickey, F. Curley, H. McInis, N. Murphy, C. Morrissey, L. McKenna and H. Connolley.

# SOFTBALL

The College softball league, under the capable management of Charlie Roche, has already seen two weeks of play. Although it is impossible at this early date to make any prediction as to the winner in any league, we can safely say that they are off for a successful year. There are three leagues in operation. They are the Intramural League consisting of teams representing each class, the College Juvenile League consisting of all juvenile teams in college years, and the High School Juvenile League consisting of all the high school juvenile teams.

"Evil is wrought by want of Thought As well as want of Heart."—Thomas Hood

"O what a goodly outside falsehood hath."
—Shakespeare