Mt. "A" Game Is

"A Must TXT:

The Varsity Saints travel to san Sackville tomorrow where they will meet Mount Allison Mounties in the last Intercollegiate hockey fects game before the Christmas recess. gam The Saints and the Mounties are bang in a first place tie with four points when last weekend against the hapless dres-Acadia Axemen.

Coach Jack Kane considers this game "as a must win" encounter. "Naturally all our games are a must this year," he said, "but if we don't take the pre-Christmas games, it will be that much harder to make it up after Christmas.

Lest year we hew two games here Last year we blew two games before Christmas—to U.N.B. and St.
Thomas—and it cost us the championship. We don't plan to do the

was and I have to live here too.





Saints Vie For First; Face A Tough Grind

By Charley McMillan

AND SO THE Maritime Intercollegiate Hockey League is underway for another season. . . . The Saints have played one game to date, an 8-4 win against Acadia worth four points. They have a contest scheduled for tomorrow afternoon with Mount Allison to round out their pre-Christmas commitments.

What do the other teams look like and how strong are they? A quick glance around the circuit offers some food for thought.

Acadia hasn't shown any improvement over last year; their hockey season will be like that of their football team: bad. They have already dropped two four point games and one worth two points, and there is no sign of better things to come. The fact that the Axemen beat Dalhousie 6-1 doesn't make Dal look very good either. The Tigers dropped two games to St. F. X. over the weekend, 10-1 and 7-1 bombardments. It would seem that we should have quite a race for last place. At least Acadia has a basketball team.

Press reports out of Sackville describe the Mount Allison Mounties as "improved", but certainly they haven't added enough strength to end in first, second or even third place. Mount A has played and beaten Acadia (8-4) and U. of Moncton (7-3), but that's not saying much either. Lack of bench strength and overall power will prevent the Mounties from getting very far above fourth place.

ST. THOMAS ENDED in second place last year, chiefly because of the prodigious scoring of Ed Hospodar and the inspirational coaching of Vance Toner. Both are absent from the club this season. The Tommies lost to UNB 6-1 a few weeks ago with no obvious effort on the part of the Red Devils, and they have shown no signs of immediate improvement. Lack of new recruits, the adjustment of their new surroundings, and the absence of Toner and Hospodar will spell trouble for St. Thomas this year. In fact they won't even make the first division.

This is the first year for the University of Moncton in the MIHL, hence it is the dark horse of the league. Very little is known about the Moncton entry, except that it has always given a fair showing in exhibition games. Although they have in Lionel Gaudet a good coach and pilot, Moncton doesn't have enough horses to cause too much of a stir, especially in view of the fact that Mount A beat them 7-3 a

Over at St. F. X., Father George Kehoe will have a young but not inexperienced hockey club. "This is our year for rebuilding," he said recently, "We lost a number of players from last year's team, including both goalies. Also such players as Wayne Synishin, Blaise MacDonlad, Steve Murphy, Jim Roy, and Don Clarke. Players such as these are hard to replace."

OH YEAH? Somehow he got Bob Byrnes, who played last year with Ottawa Montagnards, semi-finalists in the Memorial Cup playoffs; Ray Young, who performed with St. Thomas last year; Hugh McGonigle, who was with Moncton Hawks in the NSSHL; and Chi-Chi Farenzina, a veteran of the St. Catherines Teepees of the OHA. However he has two new gaalies this year, both untried. This might spell some trouble for the X-Men, but it hasn't so far. However, I think what could be the downfall of St. F. X. is the fact that their last seven games of the season are all worth four points; in other words a loss here would spell disaster.

The UNB Red Devils have ten players back, and pre-season exhibition games indicate that they too have a powerhouse. Their coach Pete Kelly is an old pro at this game, and he will be out for another trip out west next spring. Somehow, I can't see how the Red Devils have really improved very greatly over last year, at least, not as much as St. F. X. and St. Dunstan's.

So where does that leave our own Saints? I'm convinced that we have the horses to go all the way. With enough desire and determination, coupled with a united effort at all times, even at the expense of personal sacrfiice, Sh. Dunstan's can have its first Maritime championship in eighteen years.

Thus I see the league ending this way: St. Dunstan's, St. F. X., U.N.B., Mt. A, St. Thomas, U. of Moncton, Acadia, and Dalhousie.

ST. MARY'S ARE VICTORS IN BOWL

By C. I. A. N.

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SMU attack had one of the two over from the two yard line.

HALIFAX—A hard fought contest highligheted by a strong ground attack from both teams ground attack from both teams from twelve yards out. John Scneiger der, ineligible during the regular der, ineligible during the regular

St. Mary's scored nine of their The Huskies were led by star fifteen points in the first quarter, although the Atlantic Bowl silverware, and added six more in the dying although the McMaster squad was minutes when Paul Puma crashed considerably outweighed by the

McMaster Coach, Bob Dawson, a former Hamilton Tiger Cat and Rookie of the year in the CFL was heard to comment after the game that the Atlantic Conference had strengthened a great deal since his club last played in Halifax three years ago and that both St. Mary's and St. Francis would be able to compete on equal grounds with sity Marauders 15-1 in last Saturday's contribution to the scoreducers and the other three teams board with a 36 yard field goal held in Halifax.

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SDU JAVYEES START ACTION. Shown above are three members of the SDU Jayvees.. L. to R.: Richard Duffy, Bob Donnelly and Cyril MacDonald. The Junior Saints have a win and two loses to date.

Saints In First

games, St. Dunstan's University
Saints are in a first place tie with
Mount A., two points ahead of mount and six and s St. Francis Xavier University, who beat Dalhousie twice last weekend, and University of New Brunswick Red Devils, who clipped St. Thomas 6-1 two weeks ago. Both Mount A. and St. Dunstan's picked up their four point wins at the hands of Acadia Axemen, by identical 8-4 scores. tical 8-4 scores.

The St. Dunstan's victory here was a big jump in the standing compared with the Saints poor showing in pre-Christmas games last year. Billy MacMillan and Maurice Roy were the big marksmen against the Axemen e a c h garnering two goals. Other scorers were Denis DeCarufel, George Monaghan, George MacMillan, and Gordie Whitlock.

TWO MEN SHORT

The Saints led 3-0 after the first, outscored Acadia 3-1 in the second, and fired two more in tic Department announced recent-the third. However, a barage of penalties to the Saints gave Acadia an invitational hockey tournament the opportunity to get three goals. At one point St. Dunstan's were two men short for three minutes, and they scored twice.

the poor refereeing was more on est calibre of Intercollegiate hoc-the poinds of the fans than the key in the Maritime and Quebec, actual game itself. As one sports according to the announcement.

the first period was from some other rule book, and he was really bush on two penalties handed to Vince Mulligan for two artfully applied bodychecks late in the third period.

"We are not questioning Mr. Brennon's impartiality, but after watching him in action last night we would say his knowledge of the applications of the rules is a hit or miss thing" hit-or-miss thing.

It would seem that both Acadia and St. Dunstan's would agree.

DAL. TOURNAMENT

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