

VARSITY DEFEATS AROOSTOOK NORMAL 41 TO 33

Red and Black Team Shows Improvement in Second Win

(By Melvin Jacobson)

The 1946-47 edition of the Red and Black cage team, after their baptism of fire last week against Woodland, rolled out its big guns and scored a smart win over the smooth, tricky Aroostook State Normal School squad.

Fast-breaking, effective Art Demers got off to a flying start and was good for 4 points before the other side found itself. But the well-trained Maine outfit soon had Demers covered and his effectiveness reduced. As the big right forward later put it, "a stick of dynamite would have been the only way to get that man off of me."

Then flashy Number 9, Captain Dave Stothart, tricky pivot man of the Ryan machine roamed in and out from his own basket to take up where Demers left off. He was high scorer with 23 points.

The third star of the winners was galloping Bill MacDonald who played his best game since the final Nashua affair of last spring. His lovely blocks squelched many scoring attempts and his smart rebound plays started many of U. N. B.'s scoring sprees.

Demers took the ball from MacDonald on an out of bounds and got the first basket of the game. Then a few seconds later he scored again on a lovely post-pivot play.

Strong of Aroostook got the visitors' first try with a set shot from outside the U. N. B. zone defence. A short time later Rafford dropped an over-the-head shot to even up the ball game. Dick, Beckwith and Hallett each hit the twines for 2 points and the Red and Black called for a rest.

Coach Ryan sent Haines in for Demers.

Hallett of Aroostook charged into the key and his efforts were rewarded by a block that sent the ball skyward and down through the net for a fluke basket. George Jardine took a pass from Haines and made sure of his points. Stothart got the next 2 on a long pass. Jardine ended his scoring of the game with a lay-up shot that had the Maine guards beaten by a mile.

Laurie Lockhart, brother of U. N. B.'s Jerry, came on for Jardine and Aroostook brought Fowler into the game for Hallett.

It was Lush of Aroostook who got the next 2 points. He scored on a pop-shot from outside the key. U. N. B. took a time-out.

Strong of Aroostook scored, Fowler pushed Garner of U. N. B. who got 1 of 2 free throws, Demers and Jardine came into the game, with instructions from the coach, and the first line was back in action.

Demers took a pass from Stothart for 2 points. Strong of Aroostook scored. Stothart scored from the corner of the floor and Aroostook sent Beckwith on for Rafford. He failed to report to the referee and Stothart made the free shot good. The scoring of the first half ended with the Americans getting 2 points for penalty tries. Score: 26-24 for U. N. B.

The Americans tightened up their already good man-for-man defence and kept the scoring down to a minimum in their half. The Aroostook coach said afterwards that one of his forwards got his signals mixed and U. N. B. got away with several baskets. It was this and the driving fast-break of the collegians that sewed the game up for them in this last half.

Rafford, Strong, Dick, Beckwith and McGlaughlin started for Aroostook.

Demers, Stothart, Jardine, Campbell and McDonald started for U. N. B.

Strong scored first from under the basket, then Dick got 2 points from the key, and U. N. B. kept the ball in their front court seeking for openings and chances to work some of their scoring plays. MacDonald of U. N. B. got a point on a free throw and Hallett of Aroostook left the floor charged with 5 fouls. A substitute was sent in and Coach Ryan sent Tommy on for Jardine.

The game slowed up at this point. U. N. B. had possession of the ball most of the time and racked up six

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Saturday's Lineups:

U. N. B.—Demers, 12; Haines, Smith, Davidson, Jardine, 4; Willie, Tommy, Lockhart, Stothart, 22; Hanson, McDonald, Campbell, Garner, 1; Blackmer.

Aroostook—Hallett, 7; Fowler, Rafford, 2; Strong, 12; Dick, 4; Beckwith, 2; Lush, 6.

Referee—Tony Tammaro, Woodland, Maine.

Alfie Tommy



Bruce Campbell



Above are two new members of the Varsity basketball squad who have shown great promise. Campbell comes from Ottawa where he played with the Glee Collegiate team, and Tommy is a member of the noted athletic family of Woodstock, N. B.

Sportscast Introducing the Montreal Y.M.H.A.

All those interested in turning out for boxing next term are requested to meet in the gymnasium at 7.30 on Tuesday, Dec. 3.

With about sixty-five players attending the shooting drills in the gym, the hockey team this year can boast the most enthusiastic turnout of any sport in the history of the university. If only a rink were available, we could ice a team strong enough to compete in a senior league.

The Saturday morning practice at the Saint John Forum was highly successful, as Coach Ralston viewed his material on skates for the first time. Several forward and defensive combinations were tried and three goalies saw action in the two-hour work-out. Some of the new players were really outstanding and with such a wealth of experience on hand, it appears that anyone who makes the team will have to be pretty good.

The power-packed Caledonia rugby team is once again the McCurdy Cup winner. Both Acadia and Mount Allison offered strong opposition, but were turned back by the more experienced Glace Bay squad.

The Varsity basketball team has come through with another win. During the first half of the Aroostook game, the outcome appeared somewhat in doubt, as the Normalites displayed expert ball-handling ability, and the Red and Black team kept on even terms only because Stothart and Demers were in top form. But in the second half the offensive power of the visitors faded as they were overtaken by a surge of scoring on floor-length passes by U. N. B.

We refuse to go out on a limb over the outcome of the big Montreal game next week. Too many times in the past U. N. B. basketball fans have been let down due to visiting teams' failure to live up to their advance reputation. On paper, they

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Newcastle Juniors Down U.N.B. Seconds

Establishing an early lead which they never relinquished, the Newcastle Junior basketball team defeated Junior Varsity by a score of 34-25. The game was of the exhibition variety, however, and did not give a true indication of the strength of the college team since two players were "loaned" to the visitors. One of them, Murphy, was high scorer for the evening with sixteen points. McWilliam, with U. N. B. last season, came next with twelve. Atkinson, Jim Gibson and Donald were the leading scorers for the Red and Black. Howie Ryan refereed.

The Fall Term in Review

Autumn, to the collegiate mind, summons up thoughts of football, rain, mud, cold feet, turned-up coat collars, apples, hot-dogs, bands, and bonfires. All those things are tied together in a form of mob psychology known as college spirit. To fall under the spell of college spirit, however, it is essential that one mustn't have seen too much of life in the raw, as have so many of our present student body. In other words, the strain of events during the war years was such that our senses may appear blunted, and we lack the enthusiasm we might otherwise have had for special trains and college yells.

And so this year at U. N. B. there existed a silent mutual agreement that we were not in the mood for football and all that goes with it. Even the weather-man concurred, and gave us a wonderful succession of blue skies and bright October sunshine. We spent Thanksgiving and other weekends at golf, tennis, hunting, hitch-hiking, walking with our best girl, and generally seeking the cure for our restlessness far from the "madding crowd".

With the defeat in football and the brilliant victory of our seven-man track team at Halifax passing virtually unnoticed, it took the onslaught of cold November rain to make us conscious of the gymnasium and its possibilities. First, the basketball team had to be built up to meet a heavy schedule from November through to April. The response of players was far more heartening than in football. Several new potential stars have been discovered and have already proven their value in helping to win the first two games of the season. Win or lose, we have every reason to predict a tanner season for U. N. B.'s headline sport. The indoor activities of boxing, swimming, and badminton have all been receiving encouraging support, while the prospect in boxing is especially good, with capable material in nearly every class.

However, it fell to the lot of the winter games of hockey and skiing to show the way insofar as enthusiasm and energetic planning are concerned. In spite of the handicaps of life in Fredericton where we have no rink and can't even depend on a good snow surface, these truly Cana-

dian sports are being kept very much alive. Much credit is due to the hockey and rink managers and to the ski club executive in making pre-season preparations. The splendid turnout of hockey material leads us all to wishful thinking, namely, of what might be accomplished if only the S. R. C. could hand out more \$2,000 cheques.

Now with the groundwork ready for next term's athletic activities, we must turn to the more serious thoughts of Christmas shopping and exams. Since most of us are cynics and don't believe in Santa Claus, we shall have to resort to study. However, we suggest that everyone, whether or not a member of a sports team, take a fair share of daily exercise throughout the exams and vacation, even if it's only three laps around the desk with a pack of full of textbooks. And finally, let's all take renewed interest in sports so that we can produce winning teams next term.

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