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Rejection Without Reason . . .

Last week in this column, the Maritime Intercollegiate Athletic Union and its members were called upon to change their ways and to attempt to follow the original aims of the constitution. It had been apparent that in the past this was not the case and that various members had been contracting agreements which they seemingly had no intention of carrying out.

During the past week we have had evidence of such an instance. The Rugby game which was played here Saturday cost the students of this University an additional fifty or seventy-five dollars through the complete prejudice of the Mount Allison coach. For no specific reason or reasons which the staff of this paper have been able to learn, the coach of the aforementioned Mount Allison rugby team refused to accept John Vey as a referee for this game. They were completely within their rights protesting the services of a specified referee, but no reasons were advanced for such a stand. The University of New Brunswick asks no team to play under referees whom they feel are incompetent or partial. However, the coach of the Mount Allison team refused to issue any concrete statement on his refusal to accept John Vey as referee for the game. We feel we are justified in requesting some statement of policy concerning his actions.

The English Rugby team from St. Dunstan's University have expressed their opinion concerning the refereeing of John Vey. We are not attempting to display his proficiency as a referee in any manner, however, we do feel that the coach of the Mount Allison team should be called upon to express his views in this matter. Vey had been approved by the Physical Education Department of this Province, a completely independent group, and after this approval Coach McCormack felt justified in asking for the importation of Bennett from Charlotte-town. We are not suggesting that Mr. McCormack was not within his rights, but we do feel that the students of this University are entitled to an explanation as to why their monies are being spent on the mere whim of a foreign coach.

Hereafter, we recommend that the M. I. A. U. amend its constitution so that if such an incident should reoccur, the team creating objection to such a referee should pay half the cost of importing a foreign referee. We ask no special consideration, we ask only that we be given fair and equal consideration. Certainly not within the memory of the writer and as far back as records are obtainable, has any coach of this University complained of the officiating of any athletic event. There may have been such instances in the past. They are completely within rights as has been previously stated; but if no substantial reason can be put forward then it seem rather pointless and child-like to let personal matters interfere with athletic competition between Universities. This seems to be the only possible reason for which Mount Allison could have had in refusing Vey.

Once again we call upon all members of the M. I. A. U. to come together with a sense of fairplay and to enter into all agreements with good faith and to carry out these agreements. The Constitution of the M. I. A. U. states that a protest is a measure to be used only as an extreme method of rectifying conditions which a University feels itself unable to accept. With this interpretation in mind, we call for a change of heart on the part of the Athletic Department of Mount Allison and an acceptance of majority rule rather than the injection of personalities into the affairs which govern the athletic activities of several thousand students.

"As Seen from the Bleachers"

(By the Spectator)

A UNIQUE CHAMPIONSHIP

U. N. B.'s Canadian football team took the field Thursday afternoon for their second game of the season and exactly two and one half hours later walked off the gridiron with a forty-five to zero win and a Maritime championship firmly in their grasp. I wonder if the record books can produce a former titlist who captured their crown so easily in such a short period of time. Ripley might have one but out side of that I'm afraid the possibilities are slim.

Why wasn't this play off conducted on a home and home basis like the remaining M. I. A. U. entries. Surely this sport is on a par with the rest. Was it an agreement of the heads concerned or was it another of the M. I. A. U.'s blunders which reduced this sport to the status where the title is lowered to the extent of being put on the line by a single encounter? Only those directly concerned can put forth the correct answer but it appears as if the game has been reduced to one of minor importance. But regardless of the cause the Red and Black have come up with a unique and easily gained championship. We won but what did we gain? The fact that we can beat St. Thomas on our own field, and nothing else. After all a one tilt title doesn't prove a great deal and is hardly fair to the teams concerned. St. Thomas wasn't allowed the benefit of their home field in the championship play and the Bombers were cut off from the chance of proving that Thursday wasn't just one of those days. Why?

WAS THE BIG SCORE WORTH WHILE?

Turning to the game in general we find that the Tommies lacked the weight and the reserves to make a contest of it while the Bombers played a steady and straight forward brand of ball. In fact they play a little too straight forward. Granted that the game was such so that the ordinary plunges and end runs proved more than adequate to assure the win but in continuing on this sound and steady play they made the game a bit dull for the spectators. A contest like that, with such a lopsided score, presents the ideal opportunity for the introduction of mass deception and trickery for which this type of football is noted. But no, they elected to play for the big score and in so doing may find that what to them seemed like an impressive win may turn out to be a game which could easily hurt Canadian football at U.N.B. This is a comparatively new game at our campus and has a long way to go to gain the favoritism it needs to replace the old English game of Rugby. It would appear that in a position of importance than running up a large score. We all knew by quarter time that you were quite capable of trimming St. Thomas but we are still in doubt as to your skill in the finer points of the game. A little smaller score and the addition of more deception etc. would have served the same purpose and would have put you on a much better footing with those individuals who can either make or break any game, the crowd. Its your game fellows do with it as you please but finesse in any sport is far more appreciated than simply pushing lighter opponents around.

Although the score tended to put the game on the dull side it had never the less many fine plays, two of which especially bear mention. The sixty yard run by Wally Bridcut was the gem of the contest and brought the crowd to its feet with a well deserved cheer of approval. The other, a little less spectacular, but important due to the participant was the thirty yard effort by Punchy Walker. It is far beyond the ability of an amateur writer to clearly explain this run and one would have to have been present and witnessed the portly speedster steam rolling along to really appreciate it. It is sufficient for me to say that it brought the house down and may yet become the play of the year.

A GLIMPSE AT THE RETURN OF RUGBY

Any one who had witnessed both of the Rugby games played here this fall and was not familiar with the faces on the Red and Black squad might find it hard to believe that the team which lost to Mt. St. Dunstan's tilt. Yes, it was the same aggregation and they made many of the same mistakes as in the opening game but the big difference was in the department called spirit. In complete contrast to their first game they had this vital link to any squad and gave it the old college try. They were beaten by a superior team but it can't be said that they laid down. Had they shown the same fight in the St. Dunstan's game they would now be one up in the win column.

Now that you have taken up the idea of playing for the team let's see if we can do away with the roughness in our plays and if the improvement continues at its present rate — well there is yet time and hope.

For the most part of this last contest they had their share of controlling the play with the advantage held by a team nearly intact from the past season over one being together for the first time this year spelling the difference between going over and coming close.

It is remarkable how in the short period of seven days a team could come in for such a complete transformation and be inflamed with such a vastly improved spirit for winning. It appears that a number of the team were a wee bit peeved over the impression of their first game given in this column, you don't suppose that they carried this attitude into Saturday's game. No, I guess it was the extra week of practise, but never the less revenge is a very forceful emotion. I wonder. Anyway the spirit is there, now for the polish. Above all let's not lose what we have gained in the past week, remember there are still two more games and a word to the wise is said to be sufficient.

LOST, ONE CHAMPIONSHIP

The annual M.I.A.U. Tennis tournament was held this past week at the local campus and when the last back hand drive had missed its mark the representatives from St. Mary's had annexed the crown from our own entry and now reign as the new Maritime champs. This marked the departure from our trophy box of a cup held for the past few years and with it go one of the championships we had started to believe had found its permanent home at U. N. B.

What happened to our lobbies, how could they let a thing like that take place in our own back yard? Well the truth is that nothing happened to them, they played as well as in any other year but came up against a power laden team who are well worthy of the title they now hold. We find on the St. Mary's roster the third seeded junior player in Canada and to lose in competition like that is certainly no disgrace, even in the eyes of the spectator.

A. M. & D.

By Anne Sansom

Magnifying glass in hand, deer stalking cap perched on head, (I said deer not dear) I roamed about the campus to see what there was to overhear. Say, what has happened anyway? Have the veto and the iron curtain descended upon us? The only people who seem eager to divulge information are the Art Director, Lucy Jarvis, and the Dramatics producer, Alvin Shaw. Everyone else says such-and-so has been decided "But don't say anything about it" or else — "go and see so-and-so: he knows all about it". It gets tiring after a while.

Ah yes — the Dramatic Society has released some information; you've probably read it, or are about to read it in this sheet somewhere. They have a lot of undercover stuff going on too — but a certain press agent asked me not to say what it is — Soooo — I won't. Keep an eye open, his press releases (in good propaganda style) are well worth reading. Since I hate having my toes stepped upon, and the golden rule still sounds reasonable, I'll say nothing. You can read his epistles for yourselves. Press notices are so enthusiastic and overflow with optimism; they'll put you in a good frame of mind in which to watch such artistic extravaganzas as football games.

U. R. P. (again, once more, and yet again) is having a general meeting this coming Sunday. Need I say more?

To get back to Dramatics — I've seen the set design for "An Inspector Calls." It is a wonderful one and orchids should go to prof. Al. Shaw for his work on it. I wouldn't be surprised if stage hands, painters, carpenters and electricians were needed; so if you are handy with a paint can, hammer or light bulb your services would be welcomed. Besides if you do a job of work for the Dramatic Society you are eligible for the party — everybody loves a party — and this society has a huddinger, — turn out and see.

It would seem that all I say is turn out for this and that. It may be the case I admit, but if somebody doesn't all the Campus societies will die a nasty death — by starvation. Now there is nothing pleasant about starvation, monetary or otherwise, and the organizations were created for your enjoyment. Enjoy them. Why not? You have nothing to lose but time and a great deal more to gain in fun, companionship and the satisfaction of a job well done. Platitudes again, sorry. I promise to reform. Sometime soon, maybe.

The Sunday night concerts continue. There are always notices of the program floating around, and since most people have been generously allotted two eyes at birth, they are not too hard to read. Eyes are handy things to have — you can read notice boards and college papers (Continued on page 3 column 4)

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