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NEW STADIUM BADLY NEEDED BY UNB STUDENTS

This is a typical scene during a football game at College Field, every inch of seating has been used up while the other hundreds of fans try to find a spot to watch the game.

STADIUM

In the last few years it has become more and more obvious to the student body and the Directors of athletics at U.N.B. that the need for a bigger and better varsity sport stadium has become desperate. At the present we have a field with bleachers that seat little more than a thousand people serving a University of five thousand students and an interested community encompassing all of greater Fredericton.

Although the Athletics Department is more than aware of this devel-

opment, the task of renovating the stadium is too great to be tackled with the present budget allotted to athletics. The most widely held opinion on the matter of increasing seating would be to build some sort of concrete stands in place of the wooden bleachers, with a seating capacity of at the very least three or four thousand. The cost would be increased by giving consideration to all varsity sports and building the stands in such a way to make room for all the events which could be

held, as in the various track and field events, but building an all-purpose stadium is an important criterion in any plans.

Since there is a definite disadvantage in building around a field such as College Field which has little room to expand, having railway tracks on one side and roads on the other three, this type of plan could not be a permanent solution for a University such as U.N.B. which is rapidly expanding, it would be a needed postponement of a crisis which is becoming greater every year.

SWIM TEAM

Swimmers, take your marks! !

Just as the starter begins the race, so too does September announce the beginning of the varsity swim-team try-outs.

The female swim team, known as the Mermaids, have been practicing for one week and are still anxious to have interested swimmers try-out. Coach Mary Lou Wood is always after new blood to keep the team on top.

Last year they won the Atlantic Women Intercollegiate Atlantic Association

Championships and are hopeful of a repeat performance this year.

Not to be out done by the Mermaids, the hard working males, known as the Beavers have held their organizational meeting and practices will begin the first of October. At the meeting, Coach Amby Legere, laid out the ground rules for the

coming year and welcomed back all the veterans and expressed his hope that all the new members of the team would work hard and help add to the very impressive record held by the Beavers.

A third part of the U.N.B. contingent is the male and female diving teams, coached this year by Doug Johansen. Johansen has been diving for the Beavers for two years and this year is taking on the responsibilities of both diver and coach. Raye Kivnaki is another returning diver.

Both coaches hope that any interested swimmers will come and see them in the Athletics Department in the Lady Beaverbrook Gym.

Lacrosse

Canada's oldest sport, lacrosse is now being played on campus this year. A small unofficial league has been started this fall under the leadership of Carl Park.

A six team league has been organized, and the captains include Parks' himself, Rick Sherk and Jim Battis. The Lacrosse tourney will be held October 14 at the Lady Beaverbrook Rink. It is hoped that a successful showing will enable lacrosse to be instated as an intramural sport.

TRACK

Invariably everyone has a hidden talent in one sport or the other. For those who have not thought about it, it is an established fact that academic performances and physical fitness are companions for a healthy development of the individual. To achieve this goal, Track and Field is the answer.

You might ask: Why Track and Field? The simple answer is this: The body is the storehouse of health and vitality and to keep the body together, you need exercises. These exercises take the form of running, jumping and throwing. Without doubt, therefore, Track and Field is one of the few sports that incorporate all the above.

For the uninformed the Maritime Intercollegiate Championships will be here in Fredericton this year on the 17th of October. There isn't too much time available. So, come out each evening between 4:30 and 6:00 p.m. to College Field and meet with Professor Mal Early and talk the situation over.

If you do well enough, you might be selected to go out West for the National Championships. This might be the beginning of an exciting career in athletics for you.

RUGGER

In rugby action the last two weeks UNB's Ironmen have been unsuccessful in three league games.

After encouraging pre-season and registration week workouts with over 40 players in attendance, the Ironmen have been unable to click in the game situations. Coach Bob Cockburn has attributed the early season lack of co-ordination to the fact that, "Seven of last year's starting squad didn't return and we are bringing along a number of inexperienced players."

The league opener, against Saint Thomas, played on College Field following the Bishop's football game, ended in a 6-11 defeat. UNB's poor showing was due mainly to lack of scrum support and sloppy backfield play. Ironmen's scoring came from Peter Pacey, two try; Perry Kennedy, one try and Geoff Sedgewick, one conversion.

The following Wednesday at the Raceway UNB met the Fredericton Loyalists and were in command

of the game at half, before going down 14-9 in the dying minutes. UNB's scrum did all the scoring with Rick Adams, Ken Whiting and Bert Pappenberg getting three points each.

Last Saturday in Saint John UNB were defeated 12-6 by the Trojans in a hard fought contest. Coach Cockburn admitted after the game that it was the first loss this season that the team need not be ashamed of. Tries for UNB were scored by Peter Pacey and Ken Whiting. Following the first team game UNB's second squad, led by the fineplay of Rick Fisher, Grant Vistorino and Mike Burden defeated Saint John's second team by a score of 26-6.

The Ironmen are now solidly entrenched in last place in the New Brunswick Rugby Union. They will have a chance to tie the Loyalists this Saturday when they meet at College

Field at 4 o'clock, immediately following the football game.

Sports Prose

We are at the time of year, when all across North America, a strange symptoms spread across each college campus, building to a peak each week on Saturday afternoon - Football Fever!

Here at UNB this fever is experienced to as great a degree as the big American Football powers, for we are not subject to a setting of an eighty thousand seat stadium after paying an outrageous price to watch a group of athletes who are as faceless as a group of televised professionals. Here, we are all together in a common support of a team of which we know the players personally, athletes who are working not for financial reward or for the satisfaction of producing a winning team. This being the simple fact why the simple fact why small-college football has the greatest fans in sport. Where else does an avid fan reap such a personal satisfaction from a winning season, as here, where our support is such a great factor in motivating the team to victory, an experience sure to be realized for a long time on this campus.

For someone who goes to a game for entertainment, if he cannot find enough on the field, he merely has to watch his fellow fans. Subconscious and academic reasons for the withdrawal by many during the week are forgotten, eased out of their system by the excitement of the game or the previous warm-up party, allowing for the hearty cheers and fun the game provides. There is always the group who spends

every calm minute in song or chant, led by a couple of conscientious cheerleaders who run around the track invoking everyone to join their voice with the throng. Then again there are the football nuts dressed from head to toe in the school colours, holding half empty bottle in their hands, their vision blurred to everything but the game, their geelings dulled to all but the acts of their heroes.

Tomorrow is Saturday and St. Mary's University Huskies are the opposing team and about two thousand fans are expected to be on hand to cheer the Bombers on to victory.

The more fans the better because the SMU game is the most important home game of the year for the Red Bombers. Remember, your presence is required both physically and vocally.

Skiers

Any skiers who are interested in trying out for the Ski Team and have missed the meeting held Wednesday night, are asked to get in touch immediately with the Athletics Department at the Lady Beaverbrook Gymnasium.

The fall training program is getting underway next week and will involve outdoor road-work calisthenics and weight training.

If you want to get in shape for skiing this dry land program will prove useful.