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Fredericton High Takes Firm Grip on the League

Outclassed Saint John High Saturday Winning 20 to 0—Visiting Team Dazed by Dashing Play of Local Back Field—Foreign games This Week.

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| Fredericton High | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Saint John High | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Rothsay Collegiate | 0 | 1 | 1 |

Fredericton High took a firm grip on the McAvity Cup and the title of the New Brunswick Interscholastic Rugby Football League for 1925 by giving Saint John High a very bad beating at the Trotting Park Saturday in a heavy rain. The Yellow and Black is taking to the mud this year having beaten both Rothsay and Saint John, one 3 to 0 and the other 20 to 0, in rain. The local school plays at Rothsay next Friday and at Saint John the day after. One victory out of the two games will give Fredericton High the title.

Saint John Expected Much.

Quite a crowd of rooters accompanied the Saint John High team and seemed to think that they were supporting a team which would accomplish something. For more than half the game it looked as if the Red and Grey had a chance as the home team led by only one try at half-time and for the first ten minutes for the second period could not score. Then the visitors seemed to slump and Fredericton High to improve. Before the whistle sounded the Saint John line was crossed five times and one of the tries was converted.

Backs Looked Good.

All the scoring was done by the Fredericton backs. This was rather remarkable considering the condition of the ground soaked by heavy rain which fell through the match. The Fredericton backs used their heads and Saint John did not. The three-quarters were extended for runs around the ends until the visitors showed a tendency to anticipate the play and weaken their centre. Then the Yellow and Black players punched through the middle and often dodged through alone. The defence which Saint John showed at the first of the match went to pieces.

The Fredericton forwards did all that was required of them following and dribbling well and heeling the ball so that the backs had ample opportunity. Rutter who was out early in the season with a collarbone in practice was on again at half and was a big strength.

The Visiting Team.

Individually Saint John did not class with Fredericton unless they had a bad off day. There also was lack of the team play used by Coach Cass's charges. The difference was greater in the back division than the forwards where there was lots of weight. The kicking was fair but in running and passing the three-quarters could do little more than start a movement. The Fredericton tackling was good.

On home grounds Saint John is likely to prove a different proposition and the ability to fight hard was shown by the team last year.

First Half.

The first half of the game was hard fought with the home team showing a margin in territory play. There was much dribbling. Dougan scored the only try after a combined run by the backs. There was no convert.

Second Half.

Fredericton High from the kick-off carried the play right to the Saint John goal-line. There they were held. After five minutes the visitors on kicks and taking advantage of Fredericton fumbles worked the ball out. Saint John was stopping attempts to get the ball to the outside "threes" and score. Hewitt changed the play by taking the ball and going through the centre all alone. Right at the goal line he let Miles have the ball and he

University of N. B. Gave St. John Trojans Beating In Rain Here on Saturday

Score was 29 to 0 with All but One of Seven Tries Made by Backs—Visiting Team Had Red and Black Often in Tight Corner but Could Not Score—Minus Several Players—All Eyes on Mt. Allison-U. N. B. Game Here Next Thursday.

Saint John Trojans were beaten 29 to 0 by University of New Brunswick on a muddy field and in rain Saturday afternoon. Seven tries were scored, and four of them were converted by Capt. Paul Fraser. Six of the tries were made by the backs who worked well. The other was by Bill Donohoe who made his debut as a forward his former place being in the three-quarter line.

The game was viewed by U. N. B. supporters in the light of its bearing on the Mt. Allison-U. N. B. intercollegiate fixture here next Thursday afternoon. Although the team did not come up to all requirements it showed scoring ability. Mount A. will be a different proposition from Trojans.

The visiting team showed the usual weakness of town teams—failure to play together and lack of condition. The team arrived by motor and three

scored. Rutter tried the kick but the ball was low.

Saint John held play about midfield for a time but the home team carried it to the goal-line. There the visitors defended stubbornly. Fredericton High passed out to the backs but there was much fumbling and Saint John gained to midfield on them. Saint John got the ball out to the three-quarters but their run was across the field and was stopped for a slight gain. The greasy ball was muffed by both teams. A free kick let Saint John gain. Out of touch Fredericton worked the ball back and a good run by the three-quarters was stopped right in front of the Saint John goal. The ball was picked up by Smith as the forwards were in the loose. He passed to Miles who used a fake pass and went over himself for another try. Rutter failed to convert.

Saint John followed the kick for a big gain. Play stayed in Fredericton territory until a long kick sent the ball to the Saint John fullback who fumbled and was tackled for a big loss. From scrum the ball was passed to Dougan who ran around the left outside three-quarter and circled behind the goal-line until forced to ground the ball. This gave a good position for the kick and he made the convert himself.

Were Demoralized.

The visiting team by this time was thoroughly demoralized. Clark started a run soon afterward which netted another try when he passed to Miles who went over. The kick failed.

The last try was by Rutter who went through the center of the Saint John back division all alone. Three men had a chance to stop him but he dodged them all and scored. He failed on the kick and the game ended with score 20 to 0.

The teams were:—

Fredericton High—forwards, Wishart, Trites, S. Douglass, Rowan, Smith, A. Douglass (capt.), Woods; halves, Rutter, Clarkson, Thompson; three-quarters, Clark, Hewitt, Miles, Dougan; fullback, Jones.

Saint John High—forwards, Breen, Jarvis, Keith, Regan, Arrowsmith, Barbour, Petrie (capt.); halves, Naves, Smith, Linton; three-quarters, Daley, Kennedy, Brown, Peters; fullback, Lipsett.

Referee, C. B. Burden, Fredericton. The visitors were entertained at supper in the gymnasium of the new High School building prior to departure for Saint John Saturday night.

players failed to reach Fredericton. They were Burton, Webster and Kerr. The reserves were drawn on to form the team. There was kicking about Dr. VanWart's refereeing which was not justified. The overwhelming score showed that no referee was necessary to give U. N. B. the game. Objection to the try by Donohoe seemed nothing else than the prejudice which many people have to giving a try to a forward on play in the loose. Donohoe certainly was not held or he would not have got over the line.

Some Fisticuffs.

Late in the match the players forgot that their little fists were not to be used and there were several mixups with Chown of Trojans figuring, also Keene and Kincade. Chown was used as three-quarter and half and played a good game throughout. "Beef" Malcolm who is one of the biggest men playing football in Canada was prominent as a forward. Eric Snow who is attending U. N. B. played with Saint John. He is taking a partial course and is not expected to be at college the whole season. He worked well. The Trojan three-quarters got little chance to take the offensive and their defence went to pieces late in the game. The Saint John back division had a number of good kickers however. The chief strength of the visitors was shown early in the game and consisted in taking advantage of U. N. B. misplays. They had much of the territory.

The College Team.

The U. N. B. team was about what it will be Thursday barring accidents. The forwards gave their backs ample chance with the heeling. One position is in doubt. Kincade started in it. MacPhail and Smith both were worked in as substitution was allowed on agreement. MacMurray also was selected as a sub forward. Doddridge was sub back. Hickson is the man for fullback. Currie was at receiving half for part of the time giving place to Gibson. The latter could have fed his backs often. "Bud" Steen is the new comer in the three-quarter line. He went over for four tries but his play was too individual. Fraser was in great contrast starting many of the runs and passing at the proper moment. He made no try but in converting four of them made eight points. Babbitt in Fraser's old position looked good. The weakness of the Red and Black was slowness in starting. Trojans held them for more than ten minutes.

The Scoring.

"Beef" Malcolm kicked off and Babbitt returned. In a few minutes Trojans looked like a team. College was put on defensive and kept there. Chown trying to find touch near the goal-line overdid it and Hickson had a chance to touch down. Both forward packs had chances to dribble and used them. Trojans gained on kicks and short runs but showed no scoring ability. When in trouble college could always ease the pressure. A free kick gave Snow a chance to make three points but he kicked wide. Trojans pressed hard and the situation was saved by a well directed punt by Babbitt. Seely ran for a good gain for U. N. B. The U. N. B. backs began to work better. From a scrum they got away Fraser running and letting Steen have the ball just when he could score. Fraser took the kick and made the two points. Soon afterward the second try came on just another

MT. ALLISON SCORED HEAVILY AGAINST KING'S

Total at Sackville Saturday Was 34 to 0—Mount A. Backs Particularly Good.

Sackville, Oct. 18—On a soaking field and in the first half a drizzling rain, the Mount Allison football squad defeated Kings University team Saturday afternoon by a score of 34-0. The Mount Allison squad is showing better form than ever now with the three quarters men moving like clockwork. The scrums were evenly matched as regards weight while Mount Allison had a slight edge in getting down and heeling.

Shortly after the opening of the game, Ray Smith went over for first try, which was not converted. The drizzling rain made the play harder than ever. Rice and 'Shorty' Stuart also went over for a try each, which were not converted. The first half ended 9-0.

Ray Smith went over for his second try four seconds after the opening of the second period, placing it fair behind the posts. His try was converted. Then in quick succession, Rice, Lister, Rice try converted), Rice, Gregg and Doug McLellan each went over for a try. The three quarters line did some great passing in this half.

The line-ups follow:
Mount Allison—Full backs, Hutchinson, L. Smith, three quarters, Stuart, Rogers, Rice, Gregg, Crocker; halves, R. Smith, Lister, W. L. (Continued on Page Seven.)

play of the kind and Fraser again converted.

Second Half.

With ten points against them Trojans kept in the game. The college team was pulling itself together however. The first try of the period came with forwards as well as backs working in on the passing. The try was scored by Keene. Fraser did not kick the goal Trojans rushed to the U. N. B. five yard line. The college team worked the play back. The ball was kicked over the Trojan line and Keene fell on it for another try. There was no convert. Trojan defence was pretty well shot to pieces. The next try came on a run Fraser passing to Steen who scored. Fraser kicked a pretty goal adding two more points. U. N. B. forced the play. From a scrum the ball went to Donohoe who was tackled but who got over the line. Fraser made the goal. The last try was scored by Steen who went over all alone.

The teams were:—

Saint John Trojans—forwards, Milidge (capt.), Hollies, Malcolm, Burton, R. Jones, Kerr, Grant; halves, Snow, Webster, Wilson; three-quarters, McGowan, Markham, Chown, Short; full back, Starr; reserves, Fenton, Lee, L. Jones, Miller.

University of N. B.—forwards, McLennan, Woods, Odell, Dalzell, Macaulay, Donohoe, Kincade; halves, Currie, Keene, Babbitt; three-quarters, McCaffrey, Fraser (capt.) Steen, Seely; fullback, Hickson; reserves, Gibson, MacPhail, Smith.

Referee, Dr. A. F. VanWart, Fredericton.

TRIES FOR GOAL.

In Leo Cain Trojans will secure a good candidate for the three-quarter line. The former U. N. B. player is entered at Saint John Law School and intends to turn out. He saw Saturday's game here.

The wisdom of using a player with Donohoe's speed as a forward was well shown.

There should be a big crowd of old grads in for Thursday's game.

Fredericton High seems a never failing source for football material. Hickson, Babbitt and Steen who are new players with U. N. B. are all from Fredericton High and the present Yellow and Black team looks as if it is going to furnish some more.

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