

NEWS of SPORT

U. N. B. Football Season Closed by Players' Dinner

Optimism and Confidence Keynotes of Season of 1927—Coach C. B. Burden Announces Retirement Amid Protests of Players — Enjoyable Occasion Last Night.

The spirit of optimism and confidence that the Red and Black will put on another good season in 1927 was that which prevailed at the University of New Brunswick Football Players' Dinner which was held at the Barker House Wednesday night. The dinner was the formal and fitting close to the season which found U. N. B. for the second successive year Maritime Intercollegiate Champions and the best team in New Brunswick. It was a most enjoyable affair and lasted almost until midnight.

In addition to the spirit of optimism displayed there was from members of the faculty who spoke the statement that the game was played in a fair spirit and that in recent years there had been a great improvement in the class of rugby played and also the spirit in which it was played particularly among the colleges.

Retirement of Coach.

Clarence B. Burden who has successfully coached the Red and Black squad for two seasons announced his retirement from the position on the ground that too much of his time was required for the task. He advised the selection of the best coach available for next season but his forecast was received with protests by the members of the squad who expressed the wish that the same coach carry on.

Praise For Second Team.

The second team was present as well as members of the faculty and guests. The second team came in for the warmest praise for the manner in which members turned out and gave the first team the benefit of their play.

Menu Card.

The menu card was printed in Red and Black the college colors. On the back was the scoring record of the season's games, nine in number, seven victories, two defeats, and a total of 138 points scored for and 25 scored against.

The members of the team were shown as, Shiner, McLennan, Jock MacMurray, Tiny Dalzell, Gene Pearson, Bev Macaulay, Ced Woods, Dick Petrie, Cow Fowler, Jack Babbitt, Bill

Donohoe, Pie Currie, Sailor Hickson, Dick Chestnut, Paul Doddridge, Skiny McCaffrey, McNally, Bud Steen, Eddie Goodspeed, Kentucky Holmes.

The Toasts.

Prof. John Stephens occupied the chair with Coach Burden on his left and Capt. Macaulay and Vice-Capt. McCaffrey of 1927 on his right. Other members of the faculty present were Prof. Cameron, Prof. Webb and Prof. Hachey.

After an excellent dinner furnished by the Barker House the toast-list was considered.

"The King" was received with musical honors.

"Alma Mater" was proposed by J. D. Babbitt and responded to by Prof. Webb who was reminiscent in his remarks.

"Next Year's Team" was proposed by W. W. Donohoe captain of 1926 and responded to by Capt. Macaulay and Vice-Capt. McCaffrey of 1927. Capt. Donohoe expressed the best wishes for the next team and the expectation that with but two players, Woods and himself missing, there would be a strong squad. He advised close application to studies so as to qualify for athletics.

"The Press" was proposed by Donald C. Currie and responded to by C. W. Clark and J. G. Bruce.

"The Ladies" was proposed by "Gene" Pearson and responded to by Messrs. McLennan and Woods. All speakers did ample justice to the subject.

Prof. Cameron.

After the toasts various speakers were called upon. Prof. Cameron was given a rousing reception. He made lengthy reference to the development of rugby football and college sport in general since the time he first came to U. N. B. He emphasized the improvement made by the elimination of the "special" student who was in college for athletics alone. The "ringer" of this class had been too prominent in college some years ago. Prof. Cameron put in a word for sport for sport's sake and appealed for the tra-

ditions of English Rugby to be upheld as a gentleman's game.

Prof. Hachey.

Prof. Hachey was called upon. He made particular reference to the complimentary items published in the McGill and other publications on the showing of the U. N. B. rugby team in Montreal last year.

Coach Burden.

Coach Burden spoke at some length. He expressed agreement with Prof. Cameron concerning the elimination of the "ringer" but also expressed disapproval of the system of financing students prominent in sport which is practiced in some colleges.

He expressed the opinion that the season of 1926 was more successful than that of 1925 because the teams met were stronger. The matches against the Wanderers had done much good. The 1926 team made him proud because of the way in which the men called upon to take the place of injured players responded and filled the vacancies. He also complimented the second team for its loyalty and hard work in preparing the first team.

Forecasts Retirement.

With regard to the season of 1927 he advised the securing of the best coach available. He would not himself be able to handle the team (Cries of "No! No!") He had said the same the year before but this time his decision was final.

On the matter of studies the speaker emphasized the necessity for hard work and close application. The same interest as given to football would produce first division marks. He was especially complimentary to Capt. Bill Donohoe as a player, a captain and a man. He also spoke in highest terms of the officers of the 1927 team.

Manager J. B. Carr was called upon and spoke briefly.

J. L. Stratton for the second team expressed gratitude for the support in giving the second team a match with an outside team and also the pleasure the men had in playing the game and aiding in developing the first team.

The College Orchestra played during dinner.

He (wildly as the car skids toward the ditch)—I've lost control! The brakes are locked!

She—For heaven's sake! And I suppose you left the key in your other pants!

MACAULAY RUGBY CAPTAIN AT U.N.B. IN '27

M'Caffrey Vice-Captain —Squad Elected Officers Wednesday Afternoon — Both Players are Well Known.

The University of New Brunswick rugby football squad on Wednesday, elected Beverley F. Macaulay of the class of 1928 captain for the season of 1927 and J. Nairn McCaffrey of the same class vice-captain.

The newly elected captain is a resident of Castalia, Grand Manan, and came to U. N. B. from Rothesay Collegiate School where he was a prominent rugby player. He is a forward of more than average weight and ability and played his third year of college football this year. He is a student in Engineering.

McCaffrey, the second in command, belongs to Fredericton and played with Fredericton High School before entering college. He is a wing three-quarter and played his fourth season of college rugby this year. His ability is recognized. An injured shoulder kept him out the last few games this season. He also is a student in Engineering.

Two Players Graduating.

W. W. Donohoe the retiring captain who will go to Oxford as New Brunswick's Rhodes Scholar and F. Cedric Woods, the former a half and the latter a forward, are the only players on the 1926 squad to be lost by graduation. Unless players leave college the Red and Black should have another powerful squad in 1927.

TROJANS WON FIRST MATCH IN GOOD STYLE

Saint John, Dec. 2—The Trojans and Nationals opened the local basketball season when the Trojans won 51-35 in a fast, snappy game for so early in the season. Some fast footwork was noticed and some remarkably accurate basket shooting.

Plumpton and Malcolm were outstanding for the winners, scoring a majority of points, while Wittien was high man for the losers. The whistle blew for many infractions of the rules. Referee Ronald Shaw keeping close tabs on the play. Humphries was out of the game early in the second half for repeated personals. Yeomans and Wittien managed to keep in the game with three each, four being necessary for banishment.

NEW YORK AMERICANS AND CHICAGO TIED

New York, Dec. 1—The New York Americans and the Chicago Black Hawks played 20 minutes overtime to a 2 to 2 tie in a National Hockey League game here tonight.

The New Yorkers twice held the lead but the persevering Black Hawks evened. All the scoring was done in the first two periods. The game was clean. Only three penalties were meted out, two majors going to McVeigh and McKinnon, who attempted a fistful battle.

SUZANNE AND HELEN MAY MEET

New York, Dec. 1—The distribution of gate receipts is the sole barrier to the proposed match between Helen Wills, former American woman champion, and Suzanne Lenglen, as far as the American Lawn Tennis Association is concerned, J. W. Mersereau, president of that body said today.

"The playing of the match," Mersereau told the United Press, "would depend in the last analysis upon precedent."

"Where an amateur plays a professional, just as in the case of purely amateur matches, the American Lawn Tennis Association, under its rules, demands that the entire receipts be devoted solely to tennis purposes."

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