

NEWS of SPORT

Western Section Goes to University of N. B.,

Penalty Goal the Only Score U. N. B. Beating Mt. Allison 3 to 0—Form of Home Team Not Reassuring—Teams Very Evenly Matched—Mount A. Team Good—U. N. B. Forwards Strong But Backs Off Color.

The Western Section of the Maritime Intercollegiate Rugby Football League was won by University of New Brunswick here Thursday but by a very narrow margin the score standing U. N. B. 3, Mt. Allison 0. The points were made by a penalty goal which Chestnut put over late in the first period. Mount A. had two chances to score on penalty kicks just about as good. They were in second period. In each case the ball was kicked wide and the U. N. B. full-back touched down.

The rumor that Mt. Allison was coming over fully determined to win and believing that they had every chance so to do was justified. The Garnet and Gold team proved to be one of the most effective that has worn the Mount A. colors in a number of years. If losses are not too great Coach McCarthy will have a great aggregation next season.

U. N. B. has won the section title by an aggregate scoring power of 9 to 5, not much for two matches although both were won.

Failed to Hit Their Stride.

The Red and Black failed to hit their stride at any time Thursday. The team did not play as well as a week before at Sackville, just why seemed hard to determine as the weather though cold and raw was not wet and the ground was good. The team did show however that they could play a great defensive game and the numerous Mt. Allison efforts to score broke against the back-field usually, although the forwards did their share in relieving the pressure. It was in attack that the Red and Black did not show. The ball seemed to get just so far among the backs and then stop when another pass might have meant a try. Close marking and hard tackling accounted for much of that. The general opinion is that after the heel the ball did not travel with the speed that it should. The U. N. B. forwards were the bright spot in the team getting the better in the scrums and dribbling and opening up better than did Mt. Allison.

Mt. Allison Crafty.

Mount A. fielded a team as heavy as U. N. B. and one which employed craft whenever possible. With U. N. B. playing straight football the visitors varied their program considerably. The long throw from touch with the last man deflecting the ball in the three-quarter line, with a long line the three-quarter line, with a long pass to take the play to the opposite wing, short high kicks on penalties giving forwards opportunity to get under ball, angle kicking on the kick-off, all were tried. None however brought about a try although the hearts of U. N. B. supporters were in their mouths. The Red and Black downed the visiting men in the field or forced them into touch.

Individual Performance.

Team-work is the entire thing in rugby but some individual players showed up. Ray Smith of Mount A. played his usual aggressive game. The entire three-quarter line worked well. Rice and Stuart the wings were watched closely but got away on a number of runs. Lister formerly a half was a three-quarter playing inside with Miller and both showed well. Reside at full-back was steady as a clock missing no punts and returning for distance every time. The three halves were the equal of the U. N. B. trio. The forwards were not as effective as reports of the Sackville game would lead one to expect. The lengthy Prince Edward Islander Matheson the biggest man on the field was prominent. Occasionally he opened the play up and once started a good run by the backs carrying the ball and passing.

For the home team Hicks on at full back played a great game saving

his team more than once. He and McNally interchanged for part of the second period. The three-quarter line as a whole failed to function as it can. The men were well marked and were tackled hard. McCaffrey seldom got the ball. Steen was marked especially and though making ground could not get through for tries. McNally was handicapped by lack of weight but played a determined game tackling well and making much ground. Goodspeed had his usual speed but did not get the chances expected. Had his run a few minutes before time expired been followed better a try would have been scored. As it was he lost the ball when tackled five yards out. Bill Donohoe recovered it but was stopped about six feet short of the line. Chestnut kicked steadily and for big gains as well as making the only points of the game. Donohoe and Currie were up against opponents who held them down. The seven forwards played well together and when needed showed individual ability. Right through they were superior to the Mount A. pack.

The game was not reassuring to the supporters of the Red and Black team as far as the series with Halifax Wanderers is concerned.

Crowd Unruly.

The crowd was unruly and so were the players. The attempt to keep spectators back of the wire fences failed early in the game and for much of the time the crowd was along the touchlines police protection failing to keep them back. Several fights among spectators took place and on the field players also clashed. Referee Cass had his hands full at all times and penalized both teams heavily.

Weather was better than expected. After a drizzle of rain and snow the sun shone. Mount A. started the game with the sun behind them. U. N. B. having that advantage in the second half. The game was the hardest fought seen here in many a day and the rapidity with which play went from one end of the field to the other gave the spectators all the thrills wanted. There were numerous Mount A. supporters out and the visitors' cheering section was vigorous at all times.

THE GAME.

Territory Evenly Divided—Both Defences Good—The One Penalty Decided the Game.

U. N. B. kicked off but from the return Mount A. rushed and put the Red and Black back to its goal-line. U. N. B. soon recovered ground and began to heel from scrum but the three-quarter line did not seem able to take advantage. Free kicks began to come early. A row started among the spectators and there was a long wait. Mount A. stopped any U. N. B. attempts to run and it soon was evident that the teams were well matched. Mt. Allison was nailing the U. N. B. backs hard although doing little in the way of an offensive. Steen and McNally each made ground. Stuart got in a long run along the touch-line and punted to touch for a gain. The U. N. B. forwards dribbled back "Necktie" tackles were used by Mount A. Bud Steen getting many. Matheson started a play which gained much for Mount A. He took the ball off the ground in the loose and ran, then passed far across the field to his three-quarters. A free kick let Chestnut regain the ground. The visitors had the better of territory. U. N. B. forwards and the Mount A. three-quarters were doing the playing. Donohoe got in a long punt which was returned by Mount A. The angle was hardly right and the ball went touch-in-goal.

The drop-out was returned and the

ball was run back by the U. N. B. three-quarters. Currie, Steen and McNally combined for one of the few backfield runs made by U. N. B. This put the ball within striking distance and the crowd yelled for a U. N. B. score. It came but not as expected. There was some mixed up forward play and it resulted in a free kick to U. N. B. because a Mount A. forward was preventing a tackled forward from getting off the ball. The position was good and Chestnut made the three points. Half-time was then called.

Second Half.

Mount A. kicked off at a sharp angle for a forward gain. On a fumble U. N. B. gained. Free kicks were given to each team. A dribble by the forwards and a run by Steen took play within the Mt. Allison twenty-five. Play remained there for a time efforts of the U. N. B. three-quarters to get over being defeated U. N. B. then lost ground on a kick to touch, scrum play and bad passing. Mount A. then got in a long kick taking play well to the U. N. B. end. The Garnet and Gold three-quarters began to run. A long pass was sent out to Rice and he looked like scoring until run into touch. U. N. B. was defending right on the goal-line. Mt. Allison heeled to let the backs get the ball and U. N. B. downed them for a loss. The Garnet and Gold three-quarters were getting the ball but handled it poorly. The Red and Black scrum got into the game and carried the ball steadily for a big gain. There was an exchange of kicks. Along the touch-line U. N. B. forwards began to buck for gains instead of snapping the ball back. Chestnut taking a free kick put the ball into touch inside the Mount A. twenty-five. It looked good for a U. N. B. offensive but one of the sudden changes which abounded in the game took place. Chestnut tried a high pass and one of the Mount A. inside "threes" intercepted. There was a long Mount A. run which seemed to have a try at the end but the U. N. B. backs responded nobly and play ended in touch near the U. N. B. goal-line. The Mount A. crowd yelled for a try and chances were good. Knocking on spoiled the Garnet and Gold three-quarter play. A free kick was given on U. N. B. and Mt. Allison tried for goal from placement. The ball went wide and as the distance was too great for following up Hicks on touched down easily.

Within a minute or two of the drop-out Mount A. again were almost on the U. N. B. goal-line. U. N. B. made slight gains. For the second time a free kick gave Mount A. the chance to tie the score. Again the ball went wide and was touched down. From the drop-out U. N. B. took the play to the other end. Goodspeed looked good for a try but Stuart stopped him. Out of touch the U. N. B. forwards gained steadily. Goodspeed got away again. He was tackled in the corner about five yards out and lost the ball. Any U. N. B. player right there would have had a try. Bill Donohoe scooped the ball but the Mt. Allison defence had got there and he was stopped about six feet short of the line. A U. N. B. try seemed threatening, but loose work by the backs with Mount A. pressing hard lost much of the ground. Currie to Steen to McNally was a play which made some ground. The Mt. Allison backs ran the ball but the Red and Black brought it back. An exchange of kicks took place leaving the ball about ten yards off the Mount A. goal line when time was called.

The teams were:

Mt. Allison—forwards, Thompson, Anderson, Matheson, Cluff, Morris, Hierlihy, Cook; halves, Smith (capt.), Lee, Wilson; three-quarters, Stuart, Lister, Miller, Rice; fullback, Reside. University of N. B.—forwards, Woods, McLennan, MacMurray, Dalzell, Macaulay, Fowler, Petrie; halves, Donohoe, (capt.), Currie, Chestnut; three-quarters, Goodspeed, Steen, McNally, McCaffrey; fullback, Hicks on.

Referee, E. D. Cass, Fredericton.

N. B. SCHOOL RUGBY TITLE UNDECIDED

Mt. Allison Academy and Fredericton High Played Drawn Game—Visitors' Defence Too Good for High.

The High School rugby football title of New Brunswick for 1926 remains undecided. Mt. Allison Academy and Fredericton High playing to a draw at College Field yesterday in the first match of a double-header. Fredericton High had the territory without much trouble but were up against a stubbornly defending team and also were below the form shown in the N. B. Interscholastic League which the local team won. Mt. Allison Academy are winners of the Westmorland County League.

There were times when it looked as if Fredericton High would score. Once they held the play up expecting a whistle but the whistle did not sound.

The teams were:

Mt. Allison Academy—forwards, McGowan, Humphreys, Fraser, McManus, Henderson, Hiers, Harrison; halves, Thurrot, S. Humphreys, Goodwin; three-quarters Freeze, Tavenor, Bird, Love; fullback, Byers; reserves Richards, Chowen, Robinson.

Fredericton High—forwards, Todd, Hanson, Bubar, Gunter, Whitman, Bull, Clements; halves, Malloy, Waterhouse, Clarkson, three-quarters, J. Watson, K. Watson, Fowler, Clark; fullback, Jones.

Referee, Dr. A. F. Vanwart, Fredericton.

Matter of Replay.

The matter of a replay of the game is undecided. Fredericton High offered to keep the Academy team here for a second game today but the visitors stuck out for neutral grounds at a later date.

NOVA SCOTIA TECH TIED WITH ST. F. X. IN EAST

Overwhelmed King's 36 to 0—Very Strong Forward—King's Put On Weak Team.

Halifax, Nov. 4—Nova Scotia Technical College Rugby team yesterday defeated the King's College fifteen by the score 36-0. The game was played on the Wanderers' grounds yesterday afternoon under ideal conditions for a football classic. By their victory yesterday the Tech team displayed a marked superiority over the Kingsmen in every department of the game. Only once did the former Windsor boys threaten the Engineers' touch line and then it was only for a few minutes. The embryo engineers have a scrum that is hard to beat and although their three quarter line is not as fast as it should be, this defect is made up and balanced by their strength in other departments. In the game yesterday the Kingsmen appeared weak and could do little or nothing against their superior opponents. The Tech team played well and their scrum did exceptionally good work. The forward line followed up well and were responsible for many scores in the game.

In the game yesterday Jakeman, McCordick and Dunlop played well for Kings. Cameron, McKenzie, Moore Currie and Horne played good games for Tech. "Abe" Morrison was outstanding and his kicking was a feature of the game. The Tech scores were made as a result of tries by Currie, McKenzie, Min Moore, Cameron and Clancy.

Capt. Timothy handled the whistle very satisfactorily.

The line up:

Tech—Forwards, Clancy, Anderson, Dyke, Freeman, Cameron, Tuttle, McKenzie; halves, Roper, Welsford, Morrison; three quarters, Moore, Horne, Boutlier, Currie; fullback, Cromble.

Kings—Forwards, Turner, Mosher, Keble, Coleman, Newloch, Smith, Phillips; halves, Zwicker, Andrew, White, three quarters, McCordick, Brown, Dunlop, Ernst; fullback, Jakeman.

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