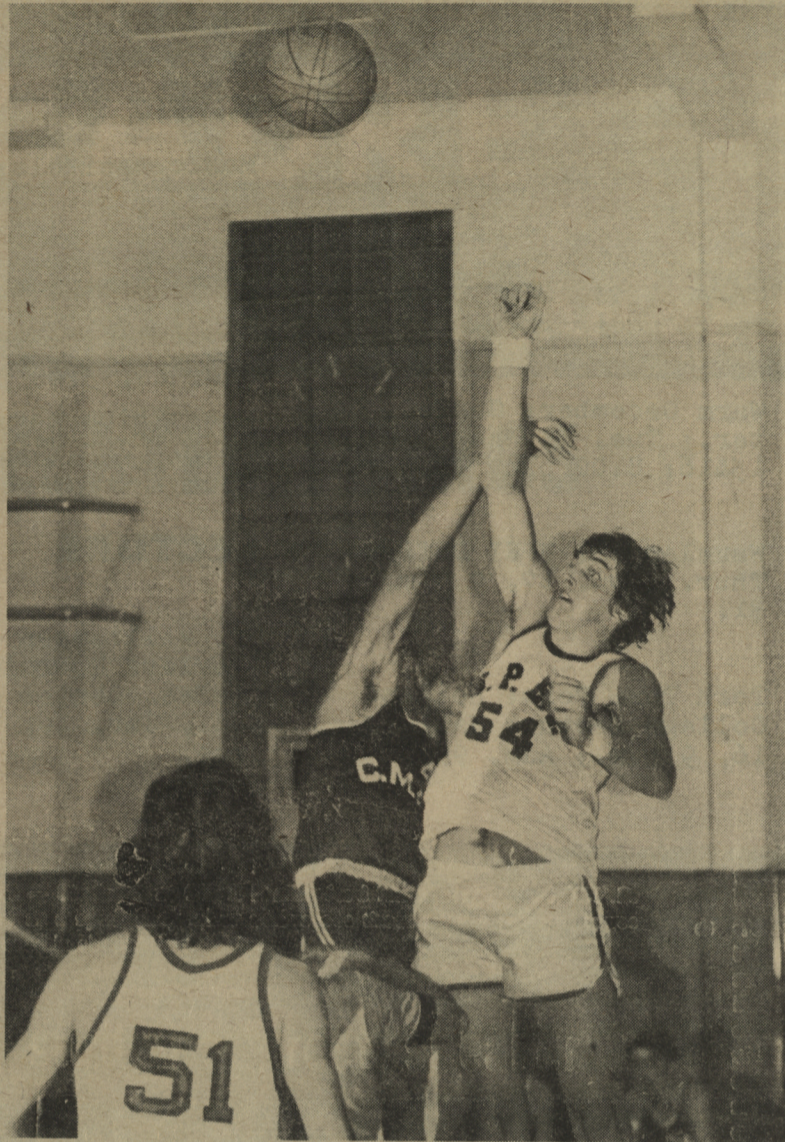


JOCK TALK

MICKEY PLACE



Welcome back and we hope that all of you enjoyed the Christmas break and that those of you that went South have enough money left to enjoy at least one Pig 'N' Whistle. It is so long since our last column that anything we write may belong to History 321 - anyhow, let's recapitulate.

FOOTBALL - Final observations. We rejoice with St. Mary's on their winning the National Championship - we feel it was not only a great achievement for SMU but was also a clear notification to the rest of Canada that the calibre of Maritime football matches that in any part of Canada. With these congratulatory remarks and without detracting in any way from SMU we wonder how the Halifax Herald columnist and the big mouth Radio announcer from Halifax, view what we regard as this glorious victory. They belly-ached so much about one of our wins, played in adverse weather, we can't help wonder if they can accept a SMU win that came under even worse conditions.

Final football note --- "Well, anyhow, in league play, we are the only team that beat the only team that beat the national champions!"

HOCKEY - We'll still be up there - we lost a couple of games we could have won with a little good fortune. You saw how close the SMU game was and the X game was a heartbreaker. Played at X we fell behind 0-4, and then we tied it up early in the third period. It

seemed like we had X on the ropes when an injury to a linesman delayed the game ten minutes and our boys lost their momentum and were beaten 5-4. If we can be accused of rationalizing we should be credited with originality. Have you ever heard, as an excuse for losing, "We would have won only a linesman got hurt?" At Dal we played well and won 3-1. At a tournament in Maine we lost the first 2-5 and won the second 5-0, American rules!!

We, having now seen several of the M.I.H.L. teams, might observe that we, at UPEI, may have four of the best goalkeepers in the league! We can, however, play but one at a time!!

BASKETBALL - We need height - our boys play well, certainly deserve marks for effort. We think they mig-

ht have won a couple of the games we saw if they had someone who could match reaches with the 6'8" lads - also a little more fan support will help for we have attended more livelier wakes - we hear we're getting more help now and one of these days we'll win one!! We'd like to add that we often hear of winning players being credited with "GUTS". Our humble opinion is that a team hopelessly behind at the half, that can come out on the floor and play as though it was in a tie game, is the group that is really exhibiting "guts". For those disturbed by our English, please delete guts and insert "Intestinal Fortitude".

On to UNB and our friend Gerry Bell, other Islanders and a hoped for basketball upset and two hockey wins!

ATLANTIC REGION NEWMAN CONFERENCE

Scheduled for UPEI campus January 18-20, 1974.

Students from most of the Atlantic universities have helped in the planning and will be participating.

Theme is Christians and their Environment - and ecology will most likely not even be mentioned!! Social Action projects to change things for the better, certainly will be. And, since this is the Kingdom we are talking about, there will be some input on prayer and what can ha-

ppen there.

Input will come mostly from students involved in campus life across the entire Atlantic region.

This is a live-in situation. Sleeping bags and/or blankets are needed.

Conference fee is about \$12. per person. Fee subsidies are available for those not able to pay total with own funds.

Registration deadline Wednesday, January 16. Need names because food has to be arranged.

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