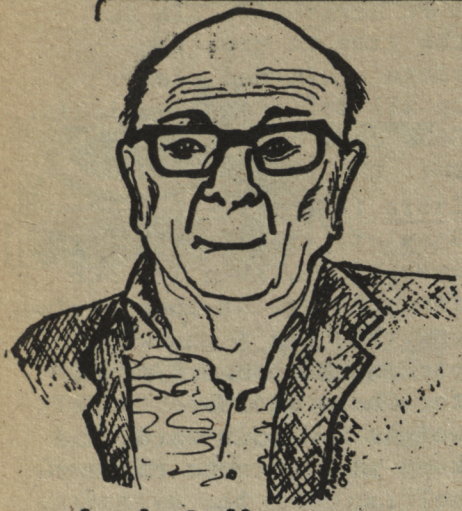


Boy, Are We Sorry We Missed The Tip-Off!



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With all the temptations about where we could go for our sports viewing last weekend we finally decided and took the early boat bright (?) and early on Saturday morning. We arrived in Halifax in plenty of time for the Acadia/Ottawa Atlantic Bowl football game and we consider it one of the most exciting we have ever seen. Although the teams played well, two players certainly stood out. Acadia Q.B. Bob Cameron who, though suffering from an earlier injury, came in late in the game to inspire the Axe-men and pass them to their winning T.D. Ottawa's Mike Murphy, was a standout throughout the action as he gained well over 200 yards in a losing cause. Final score was Acadia 18 Ottawa 16.

Then on to the Dal Rink with its queer corners and antiquated press box.. we delayed the opening face-off by accidently dropping a hat on a startled Dalhousie Left Winger! The Hockey Mag., for which we paid John Neville \$1.25 has certainly gained no respect for its prognostication about the Panther Hockey Club for it forecasted a struggle between these two teams for Fifth place! We certainly looked away better than Dal and nothing like a sixth place finisher as we outclassed a crippled Dalhousie squad and romped to a 7-3 victory. Our goal scorers were Lennie Kelly and Ken Burton with two each with David Cameron, Ralph Josie and Val Mitchell registering singles.

On Sunday we watched the Panthers giving top-ranked Saint F.X. a

real game that was a first-rate exhibition of hockey from start to finish. Score, midway in the third period was 2-2 and it was anybody's game until X scored a power-play goal after what we thought was a questionable penalty (We MIGHT be prejudiced) and then added an insurance marker as we pressed for an equalizer. Our goal scorers were Gary Trainor and Joe Filly Pony. We are particularly glad to welcome Joe back into the list of goal scorers as we almost forgot how to mis-spell his name during his slump.

On the previous Wednesday the Panthers dropped their first league game to Les Aigles Bleu 4-3 in a game that we heard several spectators remark was the best played in the Forum in years. After the visiting Moncton team scored three power play goals early in the contest our chances appeared dim but we rallied strongly in the third period and, but for outstanding play by their goalkeeper, might have tied or won. We believe we'll be jockeying with this team for playoff position all year. Our goal scorers were Lennie Kelly, Wilfred MacDonald and Lornie Carmichael.

We'd like to remark that it was in the Moncton game that Jack Hynes used a ploy that he has since continued. Although goalkeeper Snags McInnis had played well, he was replaced by Gerald Butler to start the third period and the move seemed to inspire the Panthers. In the Dal game, Butler started and, out came Snags to play the third and, again in Antigonish against X Snags was there until replaced by Gerald in the final stanza. In each case the Panthers seemed to get a lift and their play improved. We have been watching hockey a long, long time but Jack is the first coach we have ever seen who could use a goalkeeper as an OFFENSIVE WEAPON!

The team travels to Sackville and Moncton this weekend and will play their final pre-Xmas games here against Saint Mary's and Acadia on 4&5 Dec.

In Basketball... well we are sorry we missed the two games our brave characters won in Wolfville as they copped the Acadia Tip-Off Tournament. First they knocked off Sir Wilfred Laurier's Golden Hawks 72-63 with Rob Kirkpatrick leading the way with 21 points. Tom Kappos and Ken Rowe both ahving 18. On Saturday night we topped highly ranked Acadia 83-79 as Ken Row (Tournament's M.V.P.) hit for 34 and Mark Vickers chalked up 26. Dennis "Sky" High was outstanding with no less than 15 rebounds and 12 points. Due to the American Limitation Rule Dennis sat out Friday's rub against Acadia. No question about it we are "In there" in Basketball too. This weekend our Panthers open their home season with two Panther Booster Club exhibition games with Budget Rent-a-Car. An outstanding Halifax senior team which is rated as one of the best in Canada. It boasts of such former intercollegiate stars as Mickey Fox, Lee Thomas, Joie Wells, Fred Perry and others. The first game will be in Summerside on Saturday night and the Panthers will be in our gym on Sunday at 2.00. That's the GOOD news now the bad...not too bad...because this is an exhibition game, and sponsored by the Booster Club, there will be a small door admission... \$1.00 for students...what are you growling about?... it is for a good cause and it will cost me \$2.00!

In football we ended up in good respectable fashion as we dropped the final game of the schedule to Saint F.X. (with whom in the start of the season it was said we did not belong in the same league) by a close 8-7 score at that. We might have won it but for a called-back T.D. by Ernie Gallant that was erased by a clipping penalty that our informant claims should be reported thus "??????"

once again we'll concede he too may be biased. Great credit should be accorded our heroes as they improved their 1975 record of 1-5 to a very respectable 4-4. We'll mis Souris gift to UPEI, Ernie Gallant and local stalwart Bruce Norton

who leaves us through graduation...thanks fellows you've given us many thrills...but, with the rest of the team back we look forward, with confidence to 1977.

We forgot to mention that, after the boys finished the St. F.X. hockey game in good time we rushed back to catch the last Wood Island Ferry...only to be faced by a barrier and information that the waiting cars would more than fill the boat... so, for us, it was around the long winding Sunset Trail to Tormentine. there we were the second last car gettin on and, for a considerable time, it appeared we'd not make it and would have to wait another 1 1/4 hours. We were amazed at how our companions, John and Serge fumed (The Rabbi, who was also on the trip got on the boat at Wood Islands by hiding in one of the equipment kit bags). Being from "The Island" we EXPECT difficulty at the ferries and, contrary to mainlanders expectations, we are always surprised when we cross Northumberland Strait without difficulty.

If our companions hope to become Islanders--- and after Monday's election returns we believe they entertain this ambition - provided we'll accept them- they had better get working on their attitudes - NOW!

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