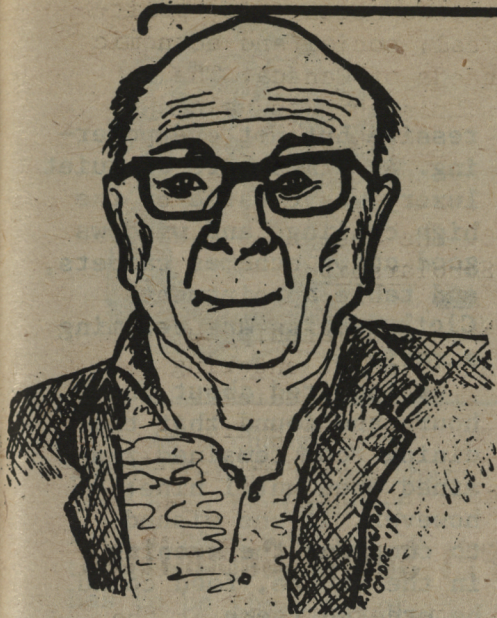


# Sports Popularity Grows So Should The Facilities



## Jock talk

### Mickey Place



test Sue Cosh had 14 points, Janet Trainor 10, and Rose King 9.

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In Basketball the Panthers made their playoff objective as they split in Fredricton. They lost in

on Friday night with "Mighty Mite" Mike Connally sitting out a one game suspension for making like Mohammed Ali in the previous game in Sackville. With him back in the Saturday game we won giving us the dubious honor of facing the number two team in the nation - Saint Mary's. Art Laffin had 24 points in the first game and 20 in the second. They go to Memorial in two weeks time and this week will play two exhibition games there...first against U of Moncton and then against an All-Star local team. Do not miss the second one as it will be interesting to see how noted players of the past such as Posty Connolly, Lennie Sirios, Bob Gray, et. al. show the effect of advancing waistlines. The latter stages of this game should be particularly interesting!!!! "Puff... Puff...Puff". Jamie Ballem won't be with the team this week as he and Jerry MacDonald will be co-captains of the P.E.I. basketball team at the Winter games. We won't prophesy that they will be picked as the BEST players at the Games but if real honest effort and the give-it-everything-I've-got spirit get points they will lead the crowd.

The Panther Booster Club had its annual meeting last week and Postie Connally who has been doing a tremendous job as Chairman pro-tem, was picked as President for the coming year. Assisted by a strong executive we have high hopes for future assistance to UPEI athletics. There was much discussion and healthy disagreement...certainly with the great upsurge in basketball interest the gym will be too small to accomodate half those wishing to see the games ...a request to move to a larger site was made by some...in hockey the problem is the same...but there is understandable



reluctance to play the home games elsewhere and in doing so relinquish the advantage of playing in the familiar surrounding of the gym or rink where practices are held. Another item of discussion was the suggested celebrity dinner where, it is hoped, will top off the athletic season and provide the club with funds for the coming year... you have your problems Postie.....

Tommies 6 U.P.E.I. 5 The Tommies hadn't won a game in years and, after we nosed them out in Fredricton we prophesied that, with their determination, they would beat some team this year...little suspecting that it would be us ... It is easy for detractors to say that we blew this one but we do not see it this way as it seemed to us that Saint Thomas won this game rather than us losing it and got fantastic goaltending in doing so. First period ended 3-2 for them, the second 4-4, and they got the first two goals in the third. Overall we outshot them 54-35...23-9 in the third and declining period. Our goalscorers were McCarron, MacLean, Brown,

Carmicheal, and Dunn. We particularly liked the performance of Donnie Brown as he hit well and carried the puck a lot.. We also liked Wayne Bernard and Dave MacLean but the performance of Blake Kennedy in the STU goal was superlative...we almost tied it up in the last few seconds and so lost another cliffhanger. U.P.E.I. 3 Mount A 2 And it almost happened again ...with the clock showing seconds to go and the Panthers just hanging on, Pete Hazelhurst, trying for his third goal of the game and instead of bouncing in it carromed out and our Panthers had themselves a hockey game instead of being involved in another overtime tie which we have had so much reason to fear (0 won 4 lost). Because these were teams with not-so-good records we heard some opinions that this was not a well-played game but we thought it most entertaining and liked the play of both teams...our opinion was justified later in the week as the Mounties upset highly rated Moncton 4-2...For Mount A Ted McComb showed why he was picked for last year's All Star team. For the Panthers we liked Wayne Bernard who was in high gear all through the contest. We'd also like to pick Shawn McIsaac and Gene Power although we thought the whole team looked good.

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The girls played a good game but, with a 5-7 record for the season will miss the playoffs. However, being composed mostly of Freshmen and Sophmores we look for a most successful season next year. In this con-

