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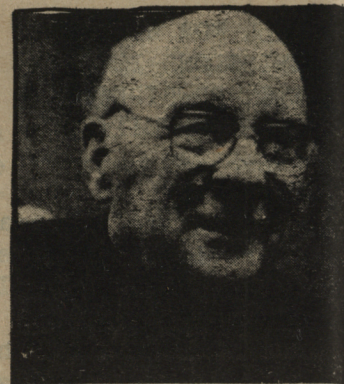
Once again the U.P.E.I. athletic rating for the week is a 50% one as we won two, lost two and tied one. We'll start off with the two losses and a tie which was the record of the Lady Panther's Field Hockey team. On Tuesday we hosted the Mount Allison Ladies and, although both sides laboured long and hard, the result was a scoreless stalemate. Our team now has a marker in the points column! On the weekend we travelled to Fredericton for two games against the high flying, league leading and undefeated Red Bloomers. We lost the first game 1-5 with freshman Libby MacKenzie getting our score. (This was only the second that has been scored against U.N.B. in their eight games this year!) We played well in the second contest dropping it 0-2 in a surprisingly close game. The U. de Moncton to whom we lost 1-2 on their field in our opening game (their winning marker coming in the last half minute of play) will be here on Sunday and our final game will be at Mount A. on the 22nd. It would be nice and a great boost for next year's morale if we could end the season with four more points!

The Soccer story is a happy one. League leading and undefeated U.N.B. enjoying a 4-0-1 record came to play the Panthers who were 4-0-2. (percentage-wise, U.N.B. led.) To paraphrase Caesar, "They came, they saw, WE conquered! and THEY left Town with a 4-2-2 record." To be quite honest we did not enjoy the first half of the first game at all for the visitors enjoyed a wide advantage in territorial play and it was only the outstanding play of goalie Jena Francois Painchaud that allowed us to reach the half deadlocked in a scoreless tie. For the first 20 minutes the second half followed much the same pattern and, shortly after we remarked to a friend that it would take a miracle for us to pull this one out, fate shied on our efforts! Andy Cameron, Scott Neil and Richard Pierre-Gilles combined to carry the ball to the U.N.B. goalmouth and one of the Red sweatered

players committed some sort of misdemeanor that resulted in our being awarded a penalty shot (or is it "Penalty kick?"). Our penalty shot specialist, Steve Polinz, blasted one that their goalkeeper managed to partially block but it recoiled into the netting and we led 1-0! From that point on, with the visitors pressing we seemed to raise our level of play and kept the ball in their territory much of the time until the game ended in a 1-0 victory for us.

The biggest crowd that we have seen at a soccer game here enjoyed the game throughout and were well entertained by four young ladies who, scantily clad, seemed to defy the cool breeze that blew across the field. They even induced CFCY's usually shy Dave Holland (a sucker for beautiful girls) to join in their dance that was loudly applauded. We were concerned as to how these sexy beauties would fare when, they walked across campus to their rooms but we were assured that the Security Police would accompany them. Our only criticism of them would be that the tallest one should have shaved closer! We were sympathetic when Alan Stewart who, after sitting on the bench throughout most of the game, was finally inserted into play with about five minutes to go, and just after getting on the field, found himself with the ball past midfield with only the goalkeeper between him and the net! Unfortunately the referee blew play down as offside and Alan, in natural frustration, made an extra kick at the ball and, for this slight infraction, was given one of those yellow cards that are sometimes awarded, with excessive formality. After accumulated penalties already incurred, this not only eliminated Alan from further play but it also put him on the sidelines for the next day's game! Bookstore Russ was even more disturbed than Alan! Game two was quite a different story and we thought the best performance the Panthers have staged this year as

they controlled play throughout most of the game. Playing against quite a strong wind we were quite apprehensive during the first half until Richard Pierre-Gilles booted one into the net after a brilliant combination play from Donnie MacKenzie at the 27 minute mark. In the second half, with the wind favouring us, we carried most of the 15 minute mark Polenz made the most brilliant rush of the game as he went from his own goal line, through the whole U.N.B. team and just missed the upper corner as he was blocked from close in. U.N.B. came close a couple of times but Painchaud was really choud, kept his net inviolate and the game ended 2-0 for us. These two wins catapult us into first place and give us an excellent chance to host the A.U.A.A. championship which will be held at the home field of our section winner on 29 and 30 October. The first and second place teams of the two sections will play a knock-out tournament which will determine which will be the Atlantic representative in the quest for the national championship. We play at Acadia on Friday, Moncton will be here on Sunday and we close out the regular schedule with two at Memorial in St. John's (Where Soccer is THE Game) on 22 and 23 October. While we are quite optimistic and enthusiastic we must caution that NO team in this conference is a pushover and it might be remembered that, although we beat U.N.B.



twice during the regular season last year, trimmed us 2-0 in the championship game!

We have visited Forum a couple of times watch Vince Mulligan put hockey charges through to practise drill. Vince is a hard man to get to give a positive statement. I asked him about his team prospects in AUGUST. He thought for a minute, looked us straight in the eye and assured us his team would not lose a game in September! We are happy to comment that they do good. They seem bigger than they skate fast. We anticipate a most enjoyable season. How good they may be indicated by the weekend as they travel to Halifax for Dalhousie Lobster pot Tournament. They have drawn the powerful Moncton Blue Eagles for the first game on Friday night.

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