

# Timmins Wins First Rugby Championship by 1 Point

## Rouge in Last Quarter Makes Score 7-6 in Final With Bay

### North Bay Collegiate Loses Sudden Death Final to Timmins High and Vocational School for Championship of Northern Ontario

Playing on a gridiron that looked more like an open-air skating rink in late spring, Timmins won its first rugby championship on Saturday afternoon when the High and Vocational school team won a last-minute victory from North Bay Collegiate Vocational School. The final score was 7-6 in this N.O.S.S.A. sudden-death final. The Poupre cup, emblematic of the interscholastic championship of Northern Ontario, goes along with the win. Ice, ponds of water, and rain contributed to the fun.

It looked like an easy Timmins victory until there was a blocked kick and a North Bay touchdown that tied the score at six-all in the last half. The third quarter was completed with the score tied, and as dusk was settling down and the game was drawing to a close, it seemed certain that there would have to be another game. Timmins blocked a North Bay kick on the Bay's 28-yard line. Johnny Guenette, North Bay half, ran out the first Timmins attempt to score a single. Vic Copps, Timmins captain and quarterback, gave his team the next advantage when he fell on a short North Bay kick on the enemy's 27½-yard line. George Andruchuck plunged for three yards on the first down.

### The Rouge That Won the Game

Copps called a kick for the second down, and Bob Sullivan placed one well over to the left near a giant puddle of water. Guenette received it behind his own goal line, and in a desperate attempt to run it out, got more than half way across the field before Louis Millette tackled him. The rouge gave Timmins the victory, and although North Bay came dangerously close to the Timmins goal line in the remaining few minutes, using every trick they could muster, they couldn't raise enough pressure.

### Touchdown Before Bay Had Ball

Timmins started a march down the field right from the kick-off and before North Bay had the ball at all, the local lads had scored a touchdown. It started with a 20-yard forward pass from Copps to Bererdine. Andruchuck plunged four yards. Bob Sullivan went through the left for one of the nicest gains of the day—20 yards. Andruchuck plunged eight yards and Ferrari made the other two. That took the locals to the Bay's 20-yard line. Andruchuck plunged seven, Sullivan contributed two and one-half and again Ferrari made yards. An end run was unsuccessful but on the next play the Timmins line opened a wide hole through the visitors and Andruchuck plunged over the North Bay goal line. The convert failed.

### Collegiate Trick Play Gives Six Points

In the third quarter, most of the play went to the trickier North Bay team. Irvin Tackney emerged as the hero from a blocked Timmins kick. He picked up the ball on the Timmins 15-yard line and ran it to the two-yard line before he was downed. The Bay lost the advantage when they were off-side. Guenette received a Timmins kick

on the 35-yard line and ran it back to the 11. Then one of the Bay's trick plays came off successfully. Reynolds faked a plunge and just before he hit the line, passed to DeMarco, who went to the left and was over the goal line while all the Timmins men piled on Reynolds at the centre of the line. Reynolds converted on a placement kick to tie the score.

Playing conditions were the worst ever seen here or in most other places. An all-day-long drizzle had made huge ponds on the ice-covered gridiron. Tackled players would go down often in a spray that completely hid the action from the spectators. Plungers sometimes slid back five yards, standing up. Rain fell almost steadily, except during the half-time intermission. Despite those conditions, there were surprisingly few fumbles. The two evenly-matched teams played head-up rugby all afternoon; there were few obvious blunders by either team.

Timmins: Snap, Millette; insides, Panchuk, Fraser; middles, Mortson, Hogarth; outsides, Hornby, Bererdine; quarter, Copps; halves, Sullivan, Ferrari, Andruchuck; flying wing, Baderski; spares, Everard, Dewar, Ansara, Sullivan, Lake, Roy, Donovan, Dunn. North Bay: Snap, Bill Hambley; insides, Huetson, Gibson; middles, Alkins, Smith; outsides, Walter Hambley, Workman; quarter, Guenette; halves, Whitham, Reynolds, DeMarco; flying wing, Beatty; spares, Tackney, Ritter, McCulloch, Maisonneuve, Barrett. Officials: Bob McKelvey, Dr. M. J. Kelly.

### Largest Crowd of the Season

The largest crowd of the season turned out to see Timmins win the championship; about three hundred people marched up and down the sidelines during the game. They were well repaid for their enthusiasm by that last quarter in which it was touch-and-go which team would win. North Bay was well represented by a vociferous following that did much to cheer the losers while they were at the wrong end of a 6-0 score.

After the first Timmins touchdown that took the North Bay men by surprise, the game settled down into a two-backs-and-a-kick affair. Although Timmins had the advantage, mainly because Copps fell on a blocked North Bay kick, the Bay did stiffen up toward the close of the quarter and made yards once.

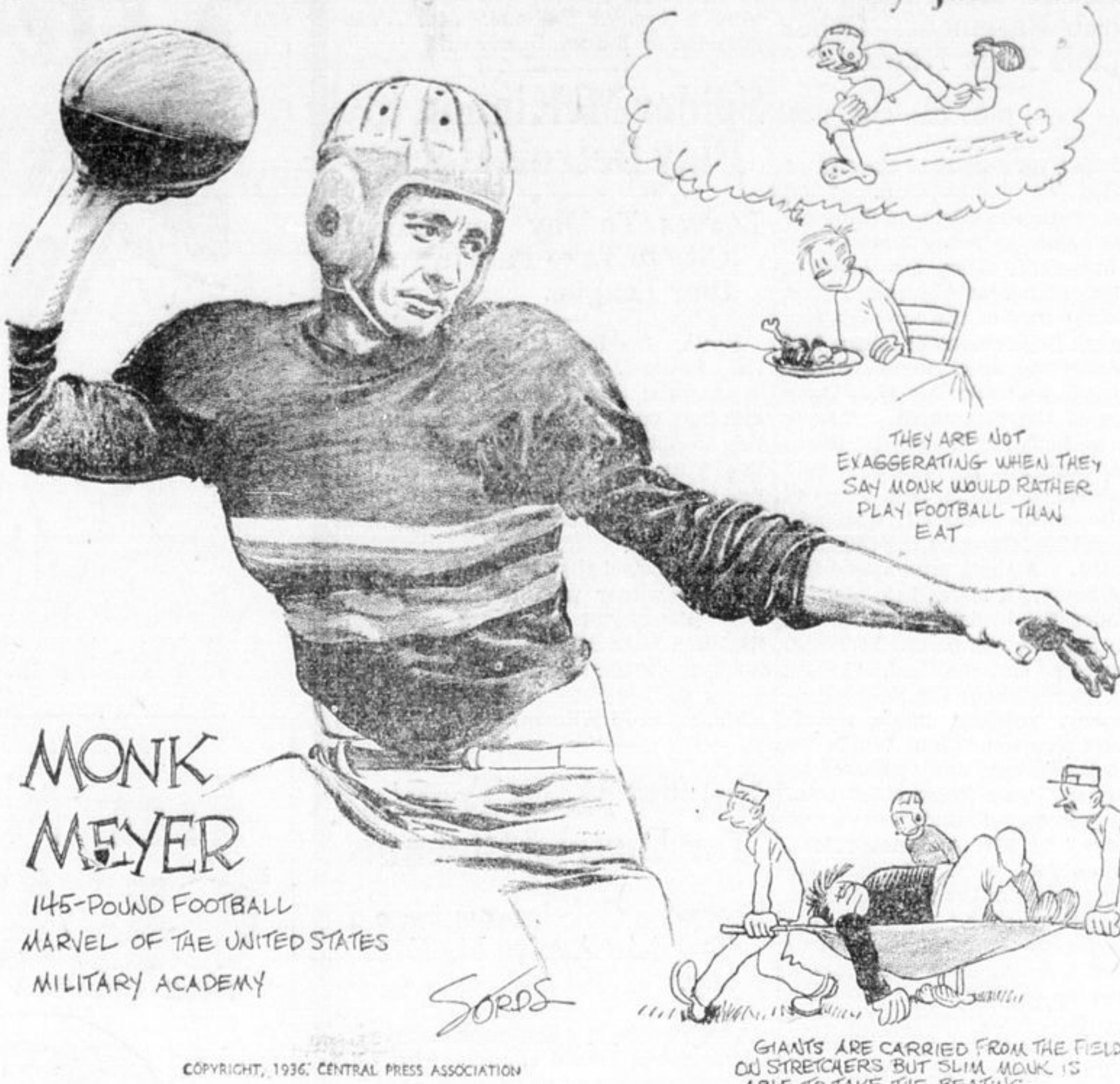
Ferrari's catching did much to offset North Bay's kicking advantage. Bererdine's tackling took heavy toll.

Andruchuck's plunging gave the most persistent gains.

### Tough Break on Forward

A thirty-yard forward pass from Copps seemed to be in control of Hornby as the outside lit out for the goal line, but the ball slipped from his hands and was returned to the starting place for the loss of a down. Andruchuck made up for it by going around the end for yards. Baderski plunged for five yards and Sullivan faked a kick and went around the left for a 15-yard gain to the Bay's 25-yard line. The attack ended when a kick was forced and Sullivan booted the ball over the North Bay line. It was run out. An attempt by Timmins to plunge out yards on a third down

### MIGHTY MITE



By Jack Sords

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resulted in the loss of the ball when Bill Hambley brought down Andruchuck smartly.

Ferrari ran a North Bay kick back to centre field and Sullivan appeared to be well away on a run for the goal when Tackney came to the Bay's rescue with a neat tackle. Andruchuck went through the middle for yards without any apparent trouble, and on the next play the hefty halfback cut in at the right of the North Bay line for a 15-yard gain. Sullivan contributed four yards on a plunge before he kicked to the deadline.

### 18-Yard Forward Pass

A forward pass from Guenette for 18 yards was ruled complete when Andruchuck interfered with the receiver. The half ended before North Bay could capitalize on the advantage.

Sullivan received the kick-off for the second half and returned it, leaving the Bay at centre field. Something had happened to the Bay team during the half-time interval and Reynolds, DeMarco, Guenette and Workman took the visitors down to Timmins' 26-yard line.

### Loss Advantage Quickly

Tackney's blocking of a Timmins kick that left the Bay on the locals' two-yard line made a score seem almost inevitable. A fumble, a recovery, and an offside left the visitors 12 yards away. Tackney picked it up but was immediately smothered by Timmins tacklers.

Guenette received the Timmins kick at the 35-yard line and twisted, splashing and slid through them to the 11-yard line before he was tackled. Then the Reynolds-DeMarco fake plunge and the convert by Reynolds tied the score. Ferrari was nearly drowned as he slithered across the field to pick up a North Bay kick. The tacklers were on top of him almost immediately.

Timmins spectators were nervous. Most of the play was well within the Timmins half of the field and with playing conditions as they were, anything might have happened. The crowd knew it.

### Timmins Stiffens

In the last quarter, with the reflections in the puddles deepening as dark came on, Timmins suddenly came to life. Andruchuck plunged three times for a total of 26 yards, and Copps got the extra yard needed once to give a first down. The second time the team tried to plunge it was on the Bay's 25-yard line, and the attempt failed. Hogarth who had found the secret of getting through the Bay's line to tackle before a play got properly started, hit a brick wall.

In two downs, the Bay couldn't get the ball out of danger and kicked. It was blocked and Copps dropped on it at the 35-yard line. Referee McKelvey brought it back to the Bay's 28-yard line on a North Bay penalty. Andruchuck plunged two yards and Copps called a kick for second down. Guenette caught neatly inside his goal line and ran it out to the two-yard mark.

Then they went through the same performance all over again, but this time Copps dropped on the blocked kick at the 27½-yard line. Andruchuck contributed three yards on a plunge. Then Sullivan kicked over the goal line and Guenette was downed for the rouge that made the difference between the two teams. The North Bay quarterback had avoided Hornby, Ferrari, and Fraser before Millette brought him down and all four piled on.

### Bay Makes Great Attempt to Come Back

The Bay tried everything to get down the field—and twice they made yards. Once Guenette faded back to pass a forward, found his receivers surrounded and ran it out himself about 20 yards. He slipped on another attempt at a forward and Panchuk downed him far behind the yard sticks. Andruchuck ran back the kick to Timmins' 40-yard line. A short kick from Sullivan left Whitham with the ball at centre field. Reynolds and Guenette plunged for a total of nine and a half yards. Then the Bay pulled another one from the bag

### Advance Shots on Sport

By AB. S. GRAY

The results from another day of battle on the rugby fronts of the various league have been chalked up in the records, and, in sharp contrast to the previous Saturday when most of the favourites went down to defeat, the teams conceded the edge in the pre-game experting came through with wins.

And so, once more the pen-pushing followers of the game will hold up their heads in the sport communities, affirm with great assuredness that this, and that, and the other team will win next Saturday, and then withdraw into their shells when the teams of their choice fail to adhere to their predilections. It is thus that we have an interesting by-play as the drama of the fall pastime gradually unfolds itself.

Enough of this preamble. In the Interprovincial Union, the Tigers and Indians joined the winners of the previous Saturday to tighten the race for honours to the extent that twos and threes are the only figures necessary to total games won and lost summary of that League. In the O.R.F.U. Sarnia repulsed Balmy Beach to create a tie for leadership in that loop, while in the coon-skin circuit, the rah-rah boys of Varsity and Queen's turned on their conquerors of the previous week. Here we find the Blues occupying the driver's seat, with Queen's and Western as challengers for that position.

In the game at the local ball-park, "Timmins eked out a victory, but only after a torrid struggle." The quotation marks are to remind you that that was our prediction, and if we may be pardoned the offense of a little personal back-patting, we would have you observe that we scored a grand slam in picking the winners in all six games heretofore mentioned.

What a thrilling exhibition the schoolboys gave us here! In the first half, Timmins had it over the North Bay boys like a circus tent. The fierce rally of the visitors in the third quarter caused many a local supporter to despair of victory. The fourth quarter fight for the winning point had the fans in an uproar, while the last futile efforts of the southerners to pull the game from the fire left the rooters hanging on the wire, both figuratively and literally.

Speaking of the wire, we want to commend the action of the powers behind the local team in erecting the barriers along the touch-lines. They certainly improved matters for players, officials and fans alike. We would recommend however, that in the future, if such ding-dong battles are to be presented, a cable be employed instead of the lighter wire.

That Timmins had an edge and deserved the win was granted even by the visitors. The half-time score of 6-0 hardly indicated the play. At that, Timmins almost had another touchdown when Ferrari hurled a beautiful pass right into the arms of Hornby who could not control the slippery ball. Had the pass been completed Hornby was in the clear for an easy five points. The only other pass attempted by the locals took place in the opening play of the game when Ferrari caught the visitors napping on a nice 40 yard heave

of tricks and tried an onside kick that was successful and landed them in a miniature ice-cold lake with the ball. The Timmins line stiffened and the Bay was forced to kick. This time there were several men outside but the kick went straight through to Timmins' 24-yard line. The local lads had one plunge before the final whistle blew.

to Berardine. That was the first shot of an offensive which resulted in the first score.

The line-ripping exploits of the locals in that first half was a delight to all but the Bay lads. They tore into their heavier opponents like men possessed, and spilled them all over the slippery grid. That they were in the right mood for this game was obvious from the start.

Then came that third quarter. For a few minutes, the line faltered, and North Bay piled through to block a kick. Hutson, Reynolds and Tackney led the green wave that swarmed over the locals, and resulted in DeMarco's major score shortly afterwards. The convert was perfect, and the Timmins cause appeared lost. That they rallied to stem the determined offensive of their opponents, and then came on to win the game, is a tribute to their fighting qualities. They are worthy champions of which Timmins may well be proud.

And now for little that practice—Monday morning quarterbacks. With the fourth quarter half gone, and the score tied, Timmins should have kicked on a third down when they had the ball on the North Bay 25 yard line instead of attempting to negotiate the last yard with a plunge. This mistake was made but once, and the locals made no mistake when they again got close enough to kick for a single. All and all, the team was well handled, and it took some great leadership to inspire the fagging troops in the second half.

That North Bay had a decided pull in the weights was obvious when the teams trooped onto the field. The Timmins lads sport an average weight of 160 lbs, which they stacked up against an average of 172 lbs. for North Bay. In Hutson, Hambley, Alkins and Gibson the visitors had a beef-trust comprising one-third of the team that aggregated 800 lbs.

Though the new champions have played under adverse weather and ground conditions all season, those of Saturday were by far the poorest. Beneath those inches of water was a slippery layer of ice which made the footing very treacherous and the tumbles were disastrous to the points of contact. Notwithstanding this, the game was well played with few fumbles, and injuries were very infrequent.

Indicative of the durability of the Timmins boys and their good physical condition is the fact that not once during the entire season did they necessitate a stoppage of play because of injuries.

And now for the stars. For North Bay, Guenette, the speedy quarter, Hambley, Hutson, Tackney, DeMarco, Reynolds and Smith stood 'out. Only some furious line charging by the locals prevented the Bay boomer from getting away many mammoth punts of the variety he showed in the third quarter. The ace play of the Troyites was what appeared to be a line plunge, but resolved itself into a quick dash around the short end. The play was well masked, and had the winners fooled until they solved it.

For Timmins—to each we give a generous portion of the credit for the victory. To Andruchuck, however, we give the distinction of being outstanding performer on the field. Always an all-out performer, George seemed to sense that this was his last rugby game for the school for which he had modestly given so much in an athletic way. The result was that as a plunger, Stampy gave the best display we have ever seen from a schoolboy.

Right behind George, we place Ferrari for his daring running catches of the slippery ball. The North Bay kicker (Continued on Page Six)

### Advance Advances in Commercial League

#### Powers Gains Another Point on the T. & N.O. Gambles Got One Out of Four.

The Power gained another point on the leading T. & N. O. team last Friday in the Commercial bowling league. After taking a good lead in the first two games the electricians dropped the last to Gambles by 29 pins.

The Advance got the breaks at last and got into the scoring column by taking two points from the T. & N. O. Only for the steady bowling of Booth and Saint, ten strikes out of twelve in the second game, they would have been whitewashed.

Honours go to W. Booth and A. Saint, T. & N. O. 702 and 654; J. Heacock, Advance, 692; H. Webb, Power, 649; C. Canie, Gambles, 636.

Power		
W. McHugh	164	245 168 577
E. Towers	155	198 190 543
B. McQuarrie	184	204 200 588
H. Webb	179	243 227 649
E. Salonia	216	164 154 564
Totals	928	1054 939 2921

Gambles		
E. J. Gagnon	139	166 152 457
C. Canie	152	236 248 636
C. Ashford	162	181 185 528
G. Eddy	143	200 163 506
J. R. Tait	175	179 220 574
Totals	771	962 968 2701

T. & N. O.		
C. Armstrong	183	196 124 513
T. Fenwick	171	235 406
T. Lacasse	198	174 372
W. Booth	183	274 245 702
A. Saint	172	337 145 654
J. Toal	195	214 409
Totals	907	1176 973 3056

Advance		
F. Hornby	194	105 274 573
P. Elphick	251	161 163 575
J. Heacock	209	213 270 692
A. Guldice	240	193 161 594
G. Wallingford	135	168 239 542
Totals	1029	840 1107 2976

T. & N. O. win 2 points; Advance win 2 points.

### Commerce Increases Points in Bowling

#### Nova Scotia Moves up to Second Place in Close Bankers' League

Commerce Bowlers increased their lead in the Bankers' League in last week's by one point Nova Scotia moved from third to second place, forcing Imperial down again. Montreal-Dominion failed to increase their point total.

Following were the results:

Imperial		
McGuire	193	198 173-564
Ritchie	192	195 86-473
Ritzel	122	167 204-493
Clark	165	197 261-623
Houle	183	276 202-661
Totals	855	1033 926-2814

Commerce		
Robinson	142	207 284-633
Brown	167	114 112-393
Bird	114	178 136-428
Stewart	310	188 214-712
Bruce	238	197 225-660
Totals	971	884 971-2826

Montreal-Dominion		
White	128	169 165-462
Cerrigan	191	152 128-471
Ramsay	213	181 146-540
Largo	176	163 179-518
Brien	224	142 191-557
Totals	932	807 809-2548

Nova Scotia		
Haynes	139	164 218-521
Shephard	179	201 250-630
Johnston	233	178 163-574
Grant	227	161 270-658
Lorrain	189	194 205-588
Totals	967	898 1106-2971

Six Highest Averages		
T. Bruce 248; W. Clark 215; D. Houle 206; H. Shephard 203; D. Stewart 198; J. Brien 192.		

Standing of Teams:		
1. Commerce	14	
2. Nova Scotia	12	
3. Imperial	11	
4. Montreal-Dominion	3	

### LOU WON'T BE TARZAN TO THE MRS.



Lambasting Lou Gehrig, slugging first baseman of the New York Yankees, may do all the tree-climbing and jungle yowling he likes before the movie cameras, but Mrs. Lou draws the line at any rehearsals in the home. Nor will she stand for her husky hubby strutting about the place in a leopard skin and a smile. She demonstrates how she plans to keep the jungle influence out of the home.

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