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Much Speculation on Outcome Of Next Saturday's Rugby Battle

McGill Conceded More Than Fighting Chance to Defeat Varsity—Blue and White Have Hard Row to Hoe—McGill Authorities Make Extensive Preparations and Look for Record Crowd—Many Going From Here—Queen's Resting Up.

Who is to win at Montreal on Saturday? This is one big question being turned over in the minds of football fans, not only in the centres affected, Toronto, Montreal and Kingston, but throughout the country and speculation as to Varsity's chances to win, after a gruelling game here last Saturday, are rife. Truly, Varsity gets the rough end of the deal all round with regard to the playoffs and should they survive what is before them, none will begrudge them the championship.

Coming out of a hard game here, Varsity returned to Toronto and this week they have to make the jump to Montreal again, travelling all day Friday. On Saturday they will meet McGill, fresh from a two weeks rest. Should Varsity win in Montreal, they have another heavy task on their hands of meeting Queen's again in Toronto next week. Should they stay above water, Varsity's road is a hard one. Defeat in Montreal will, of course, relieve them of all that.

Varsity players and supporters are confident that they can handle the task ahead of them and they have every confidence of trimming McGill at the Molson stadium on Saturday. McGill may have something to say about that, however, and there are many who believe that the smart bunch of youngsters that Shaughnessy has under his wing will be very strong contenders. McGill showed in the two home games that they won that they have a real football team and it was no fluke that gave them their home victories. They should also have won in Toronto, from all accounts.

McGill will face the barrier at an advantage on Saturday. They have had time to recover from injuries and they will be able to field their strongest team against the Blue and White. Then again they have the advantage of playing on their home lot, and that factor has meant much in the intercollegiate this season. It will be a merry battle on Saturday and the bets are not running wild either way. McGill is conceded a good chance to win and just as many can see a Varsity victory. It's a toss-up either way. All three teams in the Union are pretty evenly matched this season and it would not do to stake the old homestead and all the trimmings on the result of any of the games.

McGill authorities have made great preparations for keeping the field as dry as possible this week and if the gridiron is in any kind of shape at all, McGill's open attack will no doubt have a telling effect on Varsity. A wet field will be a decided advantage to the Blue and White with their powerful line and against the lighter McGill men will make great headway. Much will depend on the weather of Saturday and the conditions, as to the outcome.

However, Saturday's game will attract a record crowd for the McGill stadium and arrangements are being made to have extra seats placed around the field. The seat sale opened in Montreal this morning for those who have held season books and the remainder will be put on sale on Thursday morning. McGill officials expect that every seat will be taken long before next Saturday afternoon, the time of the game.

Coach Shaughnessy has been assisted in practice this week by old graduates of McGill and members of other present Montreal teams who have rallied to the support of McGill this week. Prospects of an intercollegiate championship for McGill have spurred all Montreal and the Red and White team are receiving every encouragement and support this week.

Queen's have not attempted anything yet this week but it is expected that work will be started very shortly. The players came through Saturday's game against Varsity sporting many bruises and stiff joints and Coach Hughes has decided not to rush the boys too much this week. Next week's programme, however, will be a serious one and hard work will be the order of the day with morning and afternoon practices. Whether Queen's will meet Varsity in Toronto a week from Saturday or McGill, remains to be seen but whichever one it is, will find the Tricolor machine back to top fighting form again after two weeks rest.

A record crowd of fans will go to Toronto to see Queen's in the intercollegiate final against the winner of the McGill-Varsity game. Many believe Queen's will meet McGill in Toronto a week from Saturday and concede them more than a fighting chance to down the Blue and White in Montreal.



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OUTSIDE COMMENT ON THE BIG GAME

Mike Rodden the other day said that though Argos didn't win the Big Four title, they were the only team to defeat Ottawa this season. Come again Michael. Think it over.

Now wouldn't it be funny if the McGill-Varsity game at Montreal on Saturday ended up in a tie?

Balmly Beach go to Ottawa on Saturday to meet the Ottawa Senators in the Eastern Canada semi-final. The Beaches have a powerful team and are picked to defeat the Senators. The Ottawa team will be without their big ace, Joe Tubman. That is a big point for Beaches to start with.

Queen's University will have some budding football stars from the Kingston Collegiate before long.

Buck, Hewitt Smith, Ed. Connolly and those boys are certainly making their mark in the rugby world.

Nobody seems to be interested in forming a junior hockey league here this winter. Are the juniors to be allowed to let slide this winter merely for the want of someone getting the boys together?

A great many local fans, keenly interested in the intercollegiate race, are going from here on Friday to Montreal to see Varsity and McGill battle it out to see which one will meet Queen's in the intercollegiate final at Toronto. The interest in the race is at fever pitch and no move is being lost on the fans.

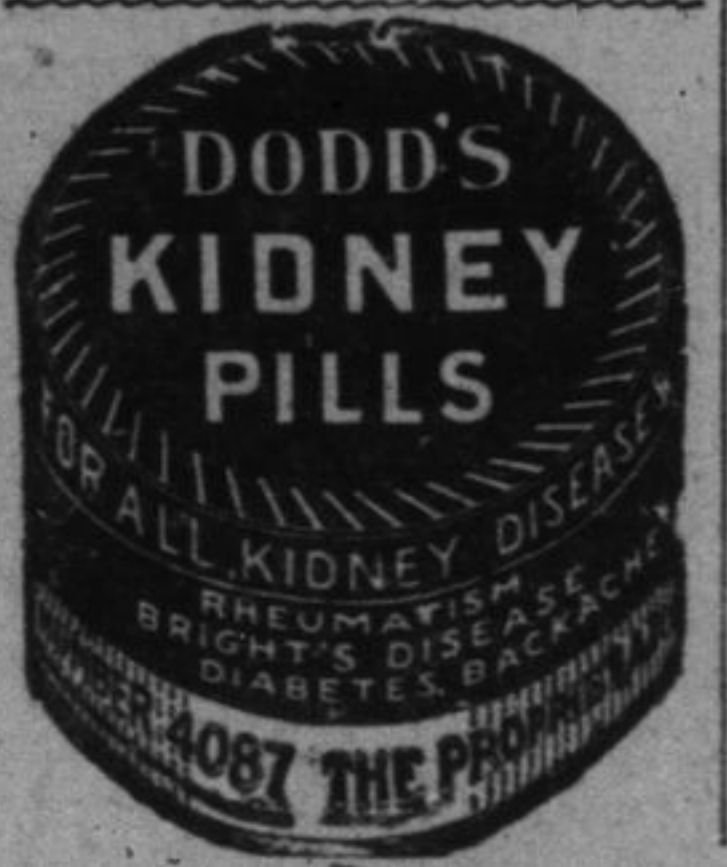
Globe—George B. McKay of Kitchener, a hockey star of twenty-five years ago, is the new President of the Ontario Hockey Association, having been elected by acclamation when the nominations closed Monday. Mr. McKay was one of the players who helped to make the early history of the association over which he now presides. In the O.H.A. and the old Bank League, in whose ranks performed some of the best hockey lists of that time, he was a brilliant forward, and the fans of the older generation maintain that few equals of that fiery-topped youth have been seen since.

Mall and Empire—Congratulations to George B. McKay of Kitchener on his election to the presidency of the O.H.A. The new president was a great hockey player in his day, and back in 1900, 1901, 1902 and 1903, when the Toronto Wellingtons were winning the O. H. A. championship, George was captain and holding down rover for that team, and doing both in rare style. At that time the Bank League games were played at the Victoria Rink, George also being a member of the champion team. The games in those days were the survival of the fittest, and if the new president of the O. H. A. had been told then that he would later become head of the largest amateur hockey association and that the rules would forbid body-checking outside the defence players, the prophet would have been

Toronto Star—Varsity would be well-advised to improve their kick formation before the game at Montreal Saturday. That was the most noticeable weakness in their play against Queen's. The kicker did not get sufficient protection and nearly every kick had to be hurried. On the other hand Queen's gave Batstone perfect protection and the Tricolor star had time to look around and place his kicks to the best advantage of his team.

Globe—University of Toronto's unlucky day was apparently Nov. 13th, because the local seniors not only lost to Queen's, but also lost the stuperous task of winning at Molson Stadium next Saturday, and of defeating the Tricolor here the following week-end. If the Blue and White come through in that try-series they will be worthy champions. Many are now leaning to the opinion that the Red and White will win the title in Frank Shaughnessy's final year at the Montreal institu-

tion. With inexperienced material the McGill coach has again confounded his critics. Not only as a tutor, however, did Shaughnessy endeavor himself to the students and well-wishers of Old McGill. No hand of suspicion has ever been pointed his way since he entered intercollegiate sports in 1912. Few star players have found their way to McGill since the war. It will be a great spectacle and a thrilling battle.



that the clever U. of T. and McGill teams will wage at Molson Stadium next Saturday. The Red and White appear to have the better attack, U. of T. the stronger defense.

Globe—While the records show that U. of T. seniors have the best defense, and Queen's the most effective attack in the intercollegiate Union, McGill remain the dark horses of the race, and it is certain that records of past games will not bother the Red and White next Saturday. However, University of Toronto appear to be slightly the stronger team. If they stand up under fire they will likely defeat the Shagmen at Montreal. In comparing the teams in regard to the class of material, it is admitted that U. of T. rank first, Queen's second, and McGill last.

Ottawas Preparing to Meet Balmly Beach Team

Ottawa, Nov. 17.—With each hour making it more certain that Joe Tubman, star kicking half of the Ottawa

Senators, will not be in the game again this Fall, other members of the team are redoubling their efforts to take the field next Saturday in the finest possible shape. Charlie Connell returned to the fold this week when the Dominion champions reported for practice to tone down against Balmly Beach here on Saturday afternoon.

The kicking duties will likely be handed over to Joe Miller. Miller has shown more than any of the other players in the way of booting, though Harry Kehoe put on a good display against both Varsity and Argonauts. Kehoe can boot but he has not the hands of Miller. Lynch will likely be the second man on the rearward when Ottawas are on the defensive. With the exception of Tubman and Connell the team is free from injuries, having come out of Saturday's game in Toronto in good shape.

Wintry weather has put Lansdowne Park in bad condition, but measures are being adopted this week in the care of the gridiron which it is hoped will put the playing field in good shape for the big contest, sand and sawdust will be applied and a roller will be utilized

daily. Arrangements are being made to handle a bumper crowd and many out-of-town requests have already reached football headquarters here for reservations. It is expected that the Excellencies, Lord and Lady Willingdon, will attend, an invitation having already been extended to them.

ONLY JUNIOR TEAM.

Trenton, Nov. 17.—At a meeting of a number of citizens in the town hall here it was decided to form a hockey club this winter. The following officers were elected: Honorary presidents, W. H. Ireland, ex-M.P.P.; Mayor W. A. Fraser, and H. F. Whittier; president, Dr. W. Johnston; vice-president, Dr. E. A. McQuade; secretary, W. Blakely; treasurer, Ted Lee; executive committee—William Chapman, H. Gray, Howard Jarrett, Mr. Stuart and C. Allora. After considerable discussion it was decided not to enter an intermediate hockey team in the O.H.A. this year, but to put all possible efforts into the junior series. The executive will also undertake to manage a town league, the games to be played in conjunction with the junior O.H.A. games.

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