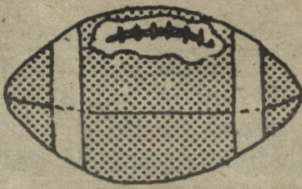


Sports



PANTHERS WILL BE THERE!

by John Neville

Before starting this article I would like to mention that this article, as well as any subsequent ones, are merely my personal opinion of the sports world and by no means reflect the attitudes of the SUN staff or the executive of the U.P.E.I. Student Union.

Historically, the football program at the University of Prince Edward Island has been as predictable and as sturdy as the federal government's anti-inflation programs. However this writer feels that this year will be even more unpredictable than in the past. As usual there is a great deal of optimism surrounding the team as it gets ready for

Saturday's opening against the Saint Mary's Huskies. Isn't that the way it always is? I mean, it would be terrible looking at the home opener any other way. The coaches seem confident of their charges. They say that they have the talent to really have a top notch season. Head coach Ed Hilton has said that this year the Panthers will reverse their 1-6 record and will be part of the A.U.A.A. playoffs.

Although I admit that I am not a trained football critic, I was not overly impressed with last Sunday's so-called scrimmage. The defense looked strong but that is always true here. The defensive backfield seems to have improved and the line is as steady as ever.

But the Panthers still have the same problem.

Where is the offense? Can Rick Kiraly put together any sort of sustained attack that will make the Panthers the contender that the coaching staff say they will be? I think the answer is most definitely

YES.

But what I also think is that it will not happen overnight. I do not expect to see a potent offensive machine a la Oakland Raiders on Saturday afternoon at MacAdam field. What I do suspect I will see is 40 guys and a coaching staff working their butt off to beat those damn Huskies. What I also suspect I will see is one awful lot of people giving their full support to a bunch of their friends who have worked like hell since the last week of August to get ready for this game. Regardless of the outcome, this year's football team will be good.

They will be good because they certainly appear to be together. If they can stay that way they will be a definite contender. The Huskies will be tough but our guys will be tougher.

The outcome will depend on the offense. If they do a job the Panthers will be on their way. Should they win, look out Acadia!

Should they lose, do not pack up for the season. There looks to be too much character on this club to roll over and play dead. Regardless, remember that they are the Panthers and they deserve your full support. My prediction... Panthers 19, Huskies 15.

In baseball, there appears to be a great shortage of verbal Boston Red Sox fans these days after they were humiliated by the world champion Yankees. Don't fret - they will be back....in a couple of years. The division winners as I see it are Yankees, California Angels, Phillies and Dodgers with a replay of last year's World Series.

In football, it will be the Ottawa Roughriders all the way in the East with a dog fight in the West. Ottawa will lose to the Western winner in the Grey Cup. N.F.L.Dallas and the rest well back.

INTRAMURALS

Women's Softball

Tuesday, Sept. 19th

4:00 Bernardine #1 VS Bernardine #4

5:00 Blanchard VS DAY Student

Thursday, Sept. 21st

4:00 Bernardine #2 VS Day Students

5:00 Blanchard VS Bernardine #1



Flag Football

Wednesday, Sept, 20th

6:00 Bernardine #1 Vs Berardine #2

Soccer

Monday, Sept. 18th

6:00 Blanchard VS Day Students



Men's Softball

Monday, Sept 18th

4:00 Mean Machine VS Day Students

5:00 Marian VS Day Students

Wednesday, Sept. 20th

4:00 Marian VS Day Students

5:00 Mean Machine VS Blanchard

Football

Tuesday, Sept. 19th

4:00 Business VS Marian

Thursday, Sept. 21st

4:00 Blanchard VS Grinders



Keep Fit Classes

Monday

Wednesday 11:30-12:30

Friday

Women only

Jazz Class

Tuesday 8:00-9:30 pm

Women only

Badminton

Wednesday 8:00-10:00 pm

Sunday 7:00-9:00 pm

Co-ed Gym

