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SEMI-FINAL EASY FOR TORONTO U.

College Champions Defeated Toronto A.C., Champions of O.R.F.U., by 22-3.

SUPERIOR BEHIND THE LINE.

Backs Caught Faultlessly and Were Fast and Tricky—Wings Evenly Matched.

Toronto, November 19.—T. A. A. C. fourteen, O. R. F. U. senior champions, went down to defeat at Rosedale this afternoon by 22 to 3 in the semi-final game for the Dominion championship. 'Varsity had the game well in hand all the way and the Crimson were never dangerous. The teams were well matched on the line. Indeed, if anything, the T.A.A.C. had something on their opponents and gained their yards many times on bucks and end runs. They lacked coaching and team work, however, and their superiority on the line, which was marked in the second half, failed to get them the results which count. Time after time they worked the ball up to within a few yards of the students' line, only to lose the ball for offside interference.

Both teams tackled well, the work of Borkhart, T.A.A.C., left outside wing, being really brilliant.

It was behind the line, however, that the game was lost and won. The college backs caught, ran and passed with marvellous accuracy and judgment, while the T.A.A.C. backs were very erratic. Their catching was poor, and during the first quarter they played in so far that Gall several times kicked over Powell's head. Gall's work all through the game was of the phenomenal variety. He always knew when to kick and when to run, and did both to perfection. Several times he ran back punts twenty and thirty yards, evading half a dozen tacklers and generally managing to boot the ball before being brought down. For T.A.A.C., DeGrouchy played a useful game, particularly in the second half. He fumbled occasionally, but this was largely due to the fact that in the first quarter he got Kingstone's heel in the left eye in a tackle and that optic was effectually closed the remainder of the game. Fleming, when given a chance, pulled off the most sensational stunts of the afternoon. In the second quarter, when De Grouchy fumbled one of Gall's punts behind his own line, Fleming grabbed the oval and ran it back to centre, evading and shaking off at least eight tacklers. The crowd in the stands, irrespective of following, gave him a great cheer for what was by long odds the finest run of the game.

The weather was almost ideal for football and the field in the best of condition, while over 7,000 people filled the stands and overflowed into the rush section roped off behind each goal. The 'Varsity students occupied the west bleachers, and, led by the 48th Highlanders' band, gave an effective rendering of the latest thing in rooting. A large contingent came over from Hamilton and occupied a section in the centre of the grand stand. Captain Isbister was there with all his Tigers. Also were President Lozier, Manager Dave Tope, Dr. Thompson, Dave McKeand, Geo. Ballard and Sep Doumoulin. Mayor McLaren, of Hamilton, was also present. All classes and conditions of the general public were represented, including the mayor, board of control and a number of aldermen.

STORY OF THE GAME.

The game commenced promptly at 2.45, T.A.A.C. kicking east with what little wind there was. Gall and DeGrouchy exchanged punts, and Sheriff ran to 'Varsity's 40-yard line, where T.A.A.C. lost possession for offside interference. Gall punted on the first down, and Powell, who was playing too close in, fumbled over his head. DeGrouchy recovered, but was nailed 5 yards out. They tried a buck, but lost for offside. Lajoie bucked over, but lost the ball right on the line. T. A.A.C. promptly lost possession again for interference, and Lajoie bucked over on the second down for a try, which Maynard converted.

Gall kicked on every possible occasion, and had T. A. C. on the defensive. Powell made a spectacular run to midfield, but a fumbled pass gave 'Varsity possession and Gall booted over again. DeGruchy fumbled, but Powell recovered, and a rouge resulted, the score being 7 'Varsity; T. A. A. C., 0.

After a punting exchange at midfield Gall ran back 25 yards, and again kicked. Fleming ran it out a yard from his line, but on the first down Kennedy forced Shirriff back for a safety touch.

T. A. A. C. bucked up and held play in 'Varsity territory for the balance of the quarter, which ended 'Varsity, 9; T. A. A. C., 0.

Gall kicked for another point right off the reel in the second quarter, making the score 10 to 0. A moment later Maynard took a punt 40 yards out, ran across the field and passed to Gall, who evaded three tacklers and went over for a try which Maynard converted from a difficult angle. 'Varsity, 16; T. A. A. C., 0.

On the kick-off Fleming aroused the crowd by a grand run around the end, and DeGruchy dropped a goal from field. 'Varsity, 16; T. A. A. C., 3.

Here the Crimson took a brace, and for the balance of the session had something on the Collegians.

End runs by Maynard, Foulds and Gall at the beginning of the third quarter took the ball from 'Varsity's 15 to T. A. A.'s 30, and Gall again punted over the line. 'Varsity wings were up under the kick while De Gruchy was taking his time gathering in the oval, Kingstone galloped up and fell on it for a try which was not converted. There was some dispute, T. A. A. C. claiming that Kingstone was off-side but the score stood. 'Varsity, 21; T. A. A. C., 3.

An off-side gave T. A. A. C. the ball at 'Varsity's quarter, and Hughes bucked through for 15 yards. As usual, however, T. A. A. C. lost possession on the next down for off-side. A rouge by Capreol gave the students their final point the three-quarter time score being 22 to 3.

There was no scoring in the last quarter. T. A. A. C. gained ground repeatedly on bucks and ends runs, but Gall kept on kicking out of danger. T. A. A. C.'s constant hammering at the line began to have its effect, however, and Hughes, McKenzie, and Shirriff went through for good gains. Their 'steenth off-side transferred the ball to 'Varsity, and Gall kicked into T. A. A. C. territory. DeGruchy punted to Maynard who fumbled. Barber took the ball on the run and passed to Crooks who was clear away when the referee's whistle blew for an off-side. Play ensed a moment later with the ball on 'Varsity's 35 yard line. Final score: 'Varsity, 22; T. A. A. C., 3.

WON UNDER WRAPS.

Toronto, November 20.—(Special) — The Toronto Mail and Empire, commenting on the game, will say: Playing under wraps, so to speak, Varsity defeated T. A. A. C. on Saturday at Rosedale before seven thousand spectators, in the Dominion rugby semi-final, by the overwhelming score of 22 to 3, T. A. A. C. counting their only score on a drop kick by Degruchy in the second period.

Varsity, with the Hamilton Tigers scouting around, kept all their tricks up their sleeves and resorted to straight football the whole afternoon, as they were not pressed at any stage, for T. A. A. C., although they came along with a vengeance at different stages, always let some cog slip somewhere that gave the Collegians the ball, just when the crimson stood a grand chance to score.

T. A. A. C. played very erratic ball. In fact their worst exhibition this year, was the opinion of their supporters after the game. Their backs were perhaps the worst in this respect, but then any back division would err if they were composed of a bundle of nerves such as T. A. A. C. were against Varsity. Degruchy, whose punting has done much to land the crimson where they were, was away off color, and only gave one or two decent exhibitions of booting. On the line the crimson at times seemed to be in each other's way, and invariably lost the ball for offside interference, the most glaring instance being in the third quarter when, with the crimson in possession only six yards out, Sherriff, on the first down, crashed right into his own man, thus losing the ball and spoiling what looked like a try.

The Hamilton Tigers who were guests at the game, were quite jubilant, both Coach Dumoulin and Capt. Isbister remarking that the Tigers would win next Saturday, but from the Varsity standpoint they are just as confident as ever, and so are those who have followed their practices all season, for they know the team never let out a link when it came to working trick plays. They will be an altogether different team when they meet Tigers.

Quite a number of wagers were made that Varsity wouldn't double the score, etc., and these were mostly at odds, so confident were the Varsity supporters and the team never left a shadow of doubt as to the result.

Varsity back division played a grand game, catching nearly everything that came their way, and their running back was excellent, the feature play being in the third quarter, when Maynard grabbed Degruchy's punt forty yards out, ran across the field, gaining fifteen yards, and then passed to Gall, who went through a broken field and over for a try. However, Fleming's great play for T. A. A. C. in the second half was equally as good, when he took a fumbled punt and ran back forty yards through a broken field, in which he evaded five or six tackles.

T. A. A. C. gained their yards more than the Collegians and this led the Hamilton supporters to say that, with T. A. A. C. gaining yards through bucking on Varsity, they would have little trouble next Saturday. However, it is well to let them think so, for in Saturday's game they saw the blue and white working under wraps and never extended at any stage, owing to T. A. A. C. making costly mistakes.

The gate receipts were $3,246.50.

R.M.C. WON BY 6 TO 2.

DEFEATED TORONTO VARSITY SECONDS IN COLLEGE PLAY-OFF.

Peterboro, November 19.—R.M.C. defeated Toronto University seconds in the play-off for the intercollegiate intermediate championship here today by a score of 6 to 2. All the points were made singly. Toronto did not score at all until the fourth quarter. The teams were evenly matched and put up a good brand of football. The line-up:

Varsity II.		R.M.C.
Frith	Full back	Galt
McKenzie	Halves	K. Stewart
Wood	"	Robertson
Ramsey	"	Smith
Campbell, L.	Quarter	Lawson
Curtis	Scrimmage	Irwing
Ferris	"	Young
Gardner	"	J. Stewart
Taylor	Wings	Arnoldi
Rifton	"	Sweeney
Dawson	"	Roberts
Frith	"	Goldie
McDougal	"	Lewis
Reid	"	Gwynne

Referee—Russell Britton.
Umpire—W. McMaster.

BRITISH FOOTBALL.

RESULTS OF ASSOCIATION AND RUGBY GAMES ON SATURDAY.

London, November 19.—The results of the matches which were played on Saturday in the several leagues were as follows:—

LEAGUE—1st DIVISION.

Everton, 6; Blackburn Rovers, 1.
Notts. County, 1; Liverpool, 0.
Woolwich Arsenal, 1; Bristol City, 0.
Manchester United, 3; Oldham, 1.
Bradford C., 1; Sheffield W., 0.
Newcastle, U., 1; Sunderland, 1.
Manchester City, 1; Notts. Forest, 0.
Middlesboro, 3; Sheffield United, 1.
Aston Villa, 2; Tottenham H., 1.
Preston North End, 2; Bury, 0.

LEAGUE—2nd DIVISION.

Clapton Orient, 1; Birmingham, 0.
Bolton Wanderers, 3; Leeds City, 0.
Barnsley, 3; Bradford, 2.
Burnely, 2; Derby County, 1.
Fulham, 3; Leicester Fosse, 1.
Hull City, 2; Wolverhampton W., 2.
Chelsea, 3; West Bromwich A., 1.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

Crystal Palace, 1; Millwall A., 0.
Bristol Rovers, 2; Queen's Park, 1.
West Ham United, 1; Swindon, 0.
Portsmouth, 1; Brighton & Hove, 0.
Norwich City, 1; Northampton, 0.
Coventry City, 3; Leyton, 1.
Southampton, 5; Plymouth Argyle, 0.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Hibernians, 2; Motherwell, 1.
Celtic, 0; Third Lanark, 0.
Falkirk, 0; Raith Rovers, 0.
Kilmarnock, 5; Clyde, 2.
Morton, 1; Dundee, 1.
Partick, 1; Hamilton A., 0.
Aberdeen, 2; St. Mirren, 1.
Hearts, 2; Airdrieonians, 2.
Glasgow R., 4; Queen's Park, 0.

UNDER RUGBY RULES.

Yorkshire, 12; Lancashire, 11.
Cumberland, 6; Cheshire, 0.
Gloucestershire, 12; Somerset, 11.
Cornwall, 6; Devon, 6.
Harlequins, 12; Rosslyn Park, 5.
Cambridge, 17; London Scottish, 14.
Northhampton, 11; London Welsh, 2.
Leicester, 25; Coventry, 0.
Blackheath, 11; Richmond, 6.
Newport, 9; Neath, 5.
Cardiff, 20; United Services, 5.
Llanelly, 3; Pontypool, 3.
Watsonians, 15; Edinburgh U., 5.

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