

Edmonton Canucks Display Surprisingly Good Form but Lose to Calgary Tigers 8-6

First of the Intercity Rugby Games in This City Thrilled
800 Spectators; 'Twas Interesting Affair Through-
out With Northerners Always in Limelight;
Crozier Is Star of Contest

Calgary Tigers acquitted themselves commendably and incidentally staged a come back in their 8 to 6 victory over Edmonton Canucks in the first of the inter-city fixtures of the Alberta "Big Four" Rugby union at Hillhurst park Saturday afternoon, but the northerners furnished the Jungle crew with one of the warmest arguments staged in Calgary in years.

Edmonton's strength surprised even their warmest admirers. They showed a team of fairly even balance in all departments and one that is bound to improve, and may ultimately start a winning streak. They have in big John Crozier a half-back second to none in the league, while his zig-zag tactics at times completely baffled the Tiger tacklers who made the mistake of making for his body instead of grabbing him around the knees.

Considering that the Tigers suffered severely through penalties, "Tiny" Woods serving five minutes and ten minutes, which left the team with only two experienced players in Wark and Ritchie, they were virtue for their triumph.

Presenting a line that outweighed the locals the visitors made themselves prominent in bucking, particularly in the third quarter, when they made gain after gain only to fall down on a play that would possibly have given them additional points.

Canucks Surprised Themselves

The visitors were highly pleased with their showing and well they might be. They displayed gentlemanly tactics on the field, played for all that was in them, and while they were forced to take the small end of the score they were not disgraced. Early Friday afternoon they did not know for sure whether they would be able to make the trip here. Some of the players found it difficult to get away

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REGINA PRACTICALLY CINCHED CHAMPIONSHIP

Defeats Saskatoon Varsity 30
to 0; Moose Jaw Trims
Saskatoon 10 to 6

SASKATOON, Sask., Oct. 19.—Regina kept up their winning streak by defeating the University of Saskatchewan team Saturday by the score of 30 to 0. Currie and Grassick were the stars of the locals, and played good football throughout. Currie did useful tackling, and Grassick played a nice running game. Styles got a lot of Regina's points. Wilson converted every

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from work among them their captain, Almyer, who was unable to come along. So they fully expected to be severely trampled. They had good cause to be happy for their splendid display of rugby and the eager way in which they held the Tigers who were an entirely different team than the Calgary Canucks on Thanksgiving day, being one hundred percent stronger on the line and surer with their hands.

Tigers Greatly Improved

While the Canucks time and again made yards through their sturdy bucking, the Tiger line held them back when the play was anywhere near the line. In the front line trenches were the veterans Bill Ritchie, Stewart, Livingston, Tibball and Thomas. McNair played a strong offensive game. Adamson was also strong on the offensive and equally as strong in breaking up opposing plays. The ends all proved themselves deadly tacklers and got down fast under punts. Livingston, who replaced Fraser, made the prettiest tackle of the game when he downed big Crozier. "Squib" Ross showed considerable improvement over his performance of the first game, but he should bear in mind that a player is of no value on the fence. Work was the pick of the home team, making several spectacular runs, although he was under a great disadvantage, being bothered by a time knee. Reg McLaren, although weak in his punting, made some nice runs and also tackled well. Thomas at flying wing and Harrison at left half were doing splendid work. Crozier, who replaced Tibball in the third quarter, displayed good form.

Crozier Some Player

Crozier, a long, lanky fellow, who carries much weight, and who is known better as a basketball star, was not only the best player for the Canucks, but also the best on the field. His punting was lengthy and accurate, one of his bootes from center going to the dead line for a point. He shared honors with Bill in being the brunt of the bucking and time after time made yards. If the Tigers had tackled him low chance are he would not have done so well. Bill was almost as prominent as Crozier while East ran him a close second. Goode did some nice bucking and so did Fitzgerald and Lieberman. Ottowill and Pierce starred in tackling. Young Jimmie Horne, playing his first game, showed promise at secondary defence. In fact the whole Edmonton team played well. In attack the Canuck play was marred considerably. They will have to watch this in future games.

Many Features to Game

In the neighborhood of 800 fans witnessed the game and they all got a run for their money. They were thrilled by the visitors' line work; the clever all-round playing of Crozier, who sure made a name for himself in Calgary; the goodfellowship that the players displayed; and the closeness of the score, which is a fair indication of how hard-fought the contest really was. It was an altogether different game than the opener on the holiday, the brand of rugby being vastly superior. The Tigers handicapped their play a whole lot by trying outside kicks which were very uncertain with such a strong wind blowing. However, one of these outside kicks from the boot of Work should have been caught by Thomas, who was in a position to go over for a touch without any great opposition. The ball went into touch in goal and netted the Tigers one point.

How They Scored

Edmonton kicked with the wind in the first quarter. Squib Ross drew a penalty. Just before time was called Ross kicked over and by following up fast forced East to rouse for Calgary's first point. Features of this season were, Ritchie standing the ball on Edmonton's third down. Work's nice punting and Crozier's lengthy punting. Calgary Tigers made seven more points in the second quarter, while the Canucks made one. Work, on an outside kick, placed the ball into touch in goal for one point. The kick was well made and any one of four Tiger players should have caught the ball and made a touchdown. Thomas was perhaps in the best position. Work secured an outside kick and ran to Canucks five-yard line. On the first down Ritchie went over for a touchdown. His play was similar to the one he made against Calgary Canucks on the holiday, although Umpire Page claims he did not put the ball to his boot. Ritchie made a pretty kick and a rather difficult one to convert. On the kickoff Crozier kicked the ball to the dead-ball line and Umpire Pearson allowed them one point. Half time whistle ended the play. In the final quarter Ross drew a 10-minute penalty. Crozier and Bill negotiated a pretty end run. Crozier, on the second down, bucked through the left for a touch down. Unfortunately, when placing the ball Bill had it on the ground before Crozier had time to try a convert. That ended the scoring.

Lineup of Teams

Calgary Tigers: Flying wing, Thomas; halfbacks, Work, Reg McLaren, Harrison; quarterback, Ross; outside wings, McNair, Fraser; middle wings, Adamson and G. McLaren; inside wings, Kemp and Tibball; scrims, Woods, Ritchie and Stewart.

Edmonton Canucks: Flying wing, King; half backs, Crozier, East, Harrison; quarterback, Bill; outside wings, Ottowill and Pierce; middle wings, Goode and Lieberman; inside wings, Fitzgerald and Creighton; scrims, Greenfield, Howey and Stanley.

Officials, Capt. Robert Pearson and S. Fraser.

Summary of Points

First quarter—
Ross forced East to rouse, Calgary Tigers 1 point.

Second quarter—
Work kicked into touch in goal, Calgary Tigers 1 point; Ritchie bucked for touchdown, which Ritchie converted; Calgary Tigers 4 points.

Third quarter—
No further scoring.

Fourth quarter—
Crozier bucked for touchdown, but failed to convert; Edmonton 2 points.

Total score, Tigers 4, Canucks 2.



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