



DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

We regret that in our Harness Racing Review of 1947 we showed Vella la Vella 2-1 being the fastest. Maritime owned four-year-old pacer and also the fastest four-year-old pacer mare. Credit for this should have gone to Miss Knox, owned by Tom- mander George H. Buntain, Char- lottetown, and driven by Joe Hen- nessey. Miss Knox took a three- year-old at Roosevelt Raceway, New York. The reduction to 2.11 was the result of good care, train- ing and good goodmanship.

We were delighted to have a letter from our friend James O'Brien, Elmstead, stating that Lou's Nightmare arrived home from Foxboro, Mass., some time ago and is in fine fettle. While there she reduced her record from 2.13 to 2.11 4-5 and is still eligible to the 2.19 class.

A friend writing from New Glas- gow states that Billy Hood is win- tering at the Union track and has just received Jerry Lee Volo 2.10 and Commodore Able 2.22 3-4. Hood expects more horses in the near future. Ray O'Brien is now in charge of the Duddy Patch Club stables and can be seen daily working out. Money-maker 2.06, rec- orded at Foxboro, who is in the track record there shared with Tip Abbe 2.05 1-2.

There were 1,308 harness dashes under the Pari-Mutual system in Maine the past season and over \$6,500,000 passed through the mu- tual machines, with over \$5,800,000 returning to the speculators. Old Orchard headed the list with 114 dashes with \$676,258 on the mut- uals. Lewiston State Fair with races day and night was second with bets of \$566,000. Gorham Fair which also races day and night, ranked third with bets of \$426,000 and Topham Fair was fourth with bets of \$369,000. The state's commission on the betting was \$229,812. The racing commission received \$428,730 while "breakage" amounted to \$54,658. The total number of programs scheduled was 154 and the weather was so favorable that only sixteen of them were cancelled on account of rain.

Race fans throughout the Mar- time will never again feel the thrill of seeing the handsome black son of Volonte 2.03 1-2 mak- ing one of his sensational finishes. Watchin 2.06, that has raced over Maritime tracks since the summer of 1941, has been leased to Clar- ence T. Black of Troy, N. Y., who recently purchased a 250 acre farm near Berryville, Virginia. Like Lexington, Kentucky, the soil and blue grass there has been found ideal for the growing of high class thoroughbreds and standard breeds. There is also a good track, stables and other ac- commodation on the property and Mr. Black who loves horses as well as any man living, intends to make it a breeding centre of the first rank. A stud companion to Watchin is Calumet Finco 3. 2.04, that was Maritime owned for sev- eral years and who got notably Colonel Dan 2.12 4-5, are showing up so well now.

Watchin, because of his breed- ing, (Volonte 2.03 1-2 dam, Cita Worthy 2.09 1-4, dam of eight in- cluding this season's sensation Come Springtime 2.04) his manners, racing qualities and soundness is sure to be a success- ful sire. A breeding is the fact that Watchin's granddam Cita Pryco is also the dam of his sire Volonte. His third dam is the famous brood mare Mendocino dam of Mary Putney 4. 2.04 3-4 dam of other stars. Many offers were made to Alderman Frank Adams of Halifax in the past few years, some of them running to over \$5,000 but he refused to sell and is now only on the earnest advice and solicitation of Earle Avery, Woodstock, N. B., who races the campaigning stable of Mr. C. T. Black, that Frank gave up long years of Watchin for stud pur- poses.

Watchin's career in the Mar- times has no equal in the annals of its racing history. He has eas- ily

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Charlottetown Driving Park and Provincial Exhibition Association will be held in the Secretary's Office, 64 Kent St., Thursday, January 8, 1948, at the hour of 2 o'clock.

Dated this 30th day of December, 1947.

G. H. BUNTAIN, Sec'y-Treas.

It is the intention to post- pone the above Meeting to a later date, due notice of which will be given in the news- papers.

S. H. BUNTAIN, Sec'y-Treas.

SPORTING NEWS

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Beavers Look Like New Team, Defeat Truro Bearcats 12-1

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Jan. 2.—(CP)—The long suffering Saint John Beavers came to life explosively tonight and looked like a different team in humbling the haughty Truro Bearcats 12-1.

St. Patrick's College Begins Maritime Tour

HALIFAX, Jan. 2.—(CP)—Ottawa St. Patrick's College junior hockey team arrived here tonight on the first leg of their Maritime hockey tour, which opens with a game against Halifax St. Mary's, Maritime junior cham- pions, in the Forum tomorrow night. The two teams will tangle again Monday night.

Armed Wins 1948 Debut

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 2.—(AP)—Calumet Farm sent its 1947 cham- pion Armed, out for his 1948 de- but in a six-furlong event at Gulfstream Park today and was rewarded with a victory and a \$2,000 cheque which pushed the thoroughbred's all-time winnings to \$3,700, leaving him \$32,356 behind first-place Glynn on the world money winning list.

Queen Square Team Playing At Georgetown

Queen Square School hockey team met tonight at Georgetown in an exhibition interscholastic game. The Queen Square team will travel by bus and there are a few seats available for fans desirous of making the trip.

Moncton Has Protest In Mails

MONCTON, N.B., Jan. 2.—(CP)—A formal protest of a Maritime Senior Hockey League game be- tween Truro Bearcats and Mon- cton Hawks was mailed tonight on the subject of the protest. The protest was protesting the non- use of the referee to allow a goal scored by the Hawks after the time-keeper had announced that the puck entered the net after the bell had rung signalling the end of the first period. The protest maintains that play does not end until the referee's whistle has been blown and that the Hawks had not blown when Roger Jodoin of the Hawks shot the puck into the net.

Joe Cooper Plans To Quit Hockey

CLEVELAND, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Joe Cooper, defenceman, traded to the Hawks of the American Hockey League by Cleveland's Barons last week, told reporters today he planned to quit playing hockey.

Willie Pep Seeks \$200,000 Damages

WILMINGTON, Del., Jan. 2.—(AP)—Louis V. Vicus, manager of featherweight champion Wil- liam F. Papaleo (Willie Pep), filed today against Nation Wide Air Transport Service Inc. The suit was in connection with an air crash in which Pep was injured when the plane crashed on the outskirts of Millville, N. J. The boxer was unable to sue until last August, the complaint stated.

REMEMBER WHEN

Lou Ambers went into the fore- front of world lightweight boxing championship contenders, 12 years ago tonight when he defeated Frankie Klick at New York over 10 rounds. Beaten in 1935 by Tony Canzoneri for the crown, he reversed the decision the next year and ruled the division for several more years.



HUNTERS' CORNER

The old year of 1947 in his dying moments left us something to re- member him by besides a beautiful summer, a crisp hazy autumn and an early December that left little to be desired, for he lashed out savagely in a series of wild storms and left a snowbound countryside for his successor to take over.

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Gomez Continues His Comeback

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Dougan Trophy Playoffs
Winners Bonhunks.

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Reg McDonald 157 221 203
S. Dolrinc 172 198 226
L. Blanchard 198 185 197
C. Murphy 150 92 124
E. McDonald 175 235 163
M. Robison 115 207 194
Total—3223.

Canadiens:—
M. R. McGuigan 150 195 125
C. Gaudet 150 237 163
L. Doyle 151 143 181
H. Power 176 99 195
H. Gaudet 171 185 170
Total—3978.

High single L. Doyle 237.
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Grit is absolutely essential for the welfare of Hungarian partridge. It does not appear to stand so much in need of grit. Maybe it's because they resort to "bundling" on trees when the snow becomes so deep that they are unable to roost. It's the Huns' fate to remain on the ground and put up with what nature hands out to them. It's up to those interested in the welfare of those sporty birds to assure them of a supply of grit. If any- one knows where a load of gravel can be dumped by the highway and left it takes only a few minutes to shovel it clear of snow and ice. Once a covey finds a "handout" like this they'll visit it three and four times a week. Remember sportsmen a real bad winter can whittle our present bountiful supply of Huns down to a mere skeleton so quick, you'll want to wonder how it all happened.



Badminton Championship Dates And Sites

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Jan. 2.—(CP)—H. Evans, honorary secretary-treasurer of the Maritime Badminton Association, tonight announced dates and sites for the Saint John City and District championships, the Prince Edward Island championship and the Mar- time championship.

Rumored Dimaggio Seeking \$75,000

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—(AP)—The New York baseball Yankees dis- closed today that general manager George Weiss had conferred with Joe Dimaggio but declined com- ment on published reports that the American League's most val- uable player had asked a 1948 sal- ary of \$75,000.

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Sport Echo from Prince Count

The Summerside Town Le- gal will get under way on Sat- urday evening at 8.30. The Summerside Dodge takes the place of Bernard's Legion in the first game number of new faces on the line of both teams. Loman, Legion net guardian, tended goal for Saskatchewan Intermediate team and looked very good in his first practice session here. Dr. Vince Grant, St. F.X. star of a few years ago, is expected to turn out with the Dodgers, and Windy Stasi himself will probably be back of the baseline.

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local representatives and Delaney in addition to these award winners will be playing in the Provincial Legislature, are putting a trophy to be awarded to the Summerside Town League. The cup will be known as the Mag Farlane & Delaney Cup. Mr. George Guergis, local fruit store proprie- tor, is offering a silver cup to the player who is judged the best performer of the season.

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