DOWN - THE - BACK STRETCH

Neil Walker, Secretary of the Victoria Driving Club, has been in communication with Fred Lahey of the Eastern Driving Club, Dartmouth, N.S., with reference to the inter-provincial ice race meet to be held at Charlottetown. Mr. Lahey states that his club plans on bringing over six horses and expect to arrive Monday evening, February 15th and suggest race dates of Wednesday the 17th and Thursday the 18th as suitable to them. He intimated that they have a fast pacer and a fast trotter that will make things interesting for the boys here, and the other four horses are fairly good. Discussing the matter with the writer yesterday Mr. Walker was of the opinion that this should prove among the best contested and most exciting series of ice races held here in years.

Just what pacer the Dartmouth boys have up their sleeve we do not know. Two good ones have arrived very lately, Symbol Harry 2.09 and Jollity 2.08 1-2, both can pace a storm and no doubt would be quite capable of reeling off quarters in 29 seconds straight-away over the ice. Our boys will have to look to their laurels and we would suggest that to cope with the Dartmouth whirlwinds they enlist Milton Bell's Hal McKinney 2.06 1-4. That horse has speed, there is no question about it, and quarters in 29 seconds should be easy for him. There are a number of highclass trotters around but perhaps owners do not wish to race them over ice. However, we understand that the old reliable and unbeaten trotter Millie Kalmuck 2.08 1-2, is being quietly prepared to meet the invading forces.

We have plenty of horses for the slower classes and should hold our own, but of course it would also be very nice to see the Dartmouth sportsmen win a fair share of the awards, yes, even to taking away the major part of them because they are fine fellows who are willing to go to considerable expense and a certain amount of discomfort in order to visit us and have some sport.

George R. MacDonald, now a member of the United States forces stationed at Fort Dix, N.J., writes: "Sorry to read of the death of Hedley T. Fulton. I had the pleasure of meeting him and spending many hours with him watching the horses train and race at Augawam in 1938. He was a fine man and very interesting to talk to . . . How is Joe O'Brien getting along with Singing Sam? I have been watching this horse since Harry O'Brien first broke him to harness. I noticed this past fall that he had a nice way of going. I owned his dam, Haste, by Peter Volo 2.02, dam by Nathan Axworthy, and matineed her as a three-year-old over the Metropolitan Speedway. She was a good trotter. I started her five times and she was three times first and twice second. Her best mile was 2.17 1-2, so you will see that she was better than an average three-year-old." •

Well, George, Singing Sam has certainly developed up to our most sanguine expectations. He paced a mile over the ice in Toronto in 2.12 and has acquired manners in getting away which was his only weakness prior to going there. You can generally figure that a pacer will go at least three seconds faster on clay than on ice as he will wear lighter shoes and the warmer weather is more conducive to speed. Singing Sam took a record of 2.10 1-2 at Bridgewater in October, but that is no measure of his speed and we look for him to reduce it to 2.08 or better under proper conditions this season.

Some time ago we referred to Singing Sam's breeding, showing that he has license to be a real toe. His sire is Sampson Hal 2.02 3-4, by Napoleon Direct 1.59½ and his dam is Haste, by Peter Volo 2.02, world's champion trotter at two years old, three years old and four years old and the world' greatest sire of extreme speed.

Our readers will remember John Greenleaf Whittier's poem Maud Muller, of which these are the concluding lines:

Ah, well! for us all some sweet hope lies
Deeply buried from human eyes:
And in the hereafter angels may
Roll the stone from its grave away!

We are reminded of it by occurrences that have passed before our notice. One was a secret love of the horse which a gentleman of Charlottetown cherished unknown to his wife and family. He could not afford ownership but subscribed to the turf magazines and spent many evenings at his office reading about the trotters and pacers. After his death his collection of harness horse magazines dating back for some twenty years, was distributed among horsemen friends who knew about his one and only diversion.

TAKE TWO
Down The Back Stretch . . . . . .

Yesterday a friend of ours handed us an Exhibition score card that was unearthed from among the effects of a man whom nobody ever suspected took an interest in racing. It was carefully put away among other mementos. It is dated October 8th, 1891. The Charlottetown Driving Park and Provincial Exhibition Association was just two years old that fall and there were three races on the card, the three-year-old class, stallion class and 2.40 class. The three-year-old class was won by Parkside, owned by W. A. Brennan, Summerside, in straight heats. Dot, by Administrator, owned by G. M. Read, Summerside, was 2-2--2. Almont Wilkes by Hernando owned by H. C Craswell, St. Eleanors, was 3-3-3. Time, 2.34: 2.38: 2.40 1-2. Parkside had been imported by Mr. Brennan from the Palo Alto Farm, owned by Senator Stanford in California, and later became the sire of some of the best trotters and pacers ever raced in the Maritimes. Dot became the Maritimes fastest trotter and was sold to parties in Maine for a long price.

The stallion race had three entries and was won by Elmo, owned by Dr. C. L. Strickland, Charlottetown, and driven by Ronnie Steele, summary, 2-1-1-1. Israel, owned by A. C. Bell, Truro, was 1-2-3-2. Golden, owned by A. N. Large, Charlottetown, was 3-3-2-3. Time, 2.33; 2.36 3-4; 2.33 3-4; 2.31½.

The 2.40 class was won by Lady Pilot, by Black Pilot, owned by E. H. McMillan, Stanley Bridge, summary, 1-1-1. Sea King, owned by A. L. Slip, Truro, N.S., was 2-2-2. The other horses that started were Maud K. by Hernando, owned by Alexander Kennedy, Southport, Harry C., by Hernando, owned by H. C. Connolly, Charlottetown, and Nellie, by Allright, owned by Newton Lee, Truro, N.S. Time, 2.37, 2.30 1-2, 2.30.

A glance at the time will show that it was far from fast judged by the standards of today, but it must be remembered that in those days they raced to high-wheel sulkies which were heavy contraptions with steel tires and there was a lot of wind resistence due to the driver being perched up above his horse. Then again the horse had to win three heats to win a race and they were trained more for endurance than they are at present when speed is one of the prime requisites. Notwithstanding the slow time and small number of entries the races were very interesting to the large crowd of spectators who were present.

The day prior to above races the writer, then a small boy, was perched up on the double-decker of the Exhibition grand stand, (for it was a double-decker then) and enjoyed the half holiday and the racing as much as anybody there. Unforgettable was the booming voice of starter Read, of Guelph, Ontario. He had a personality that man, which could have fitted him as a starter on the biggest race tracks of America, but his life's avocation was at the Agricultural College and starting horses was just a sideline.

A glance at the advertisers brings back recollections that may also stir interest in other breasts. The top ad on the front page is C. E. Robertson, Custom Tailoring and Gents' Furnishings, South Side, Queen Square. Mr. Robertson had a wonderful cutter, a Mr. McLeod, and people came from far and near to have a suit made in that establishment. On the bottom is an ad "Come and See My New Stock of Boots and Shoes Before You Go Home. R. K. Jost." Mr. Jost was situated on the corner where Prewse Bros. Gent's Furnishings is now. Reddin Bros., popular druggists, have an ad. Rankin's Drug Store, A. S. Johnston and Watson's Drug Store advertised purest drugs and medicines, while George E. Hughes at Apothacaries Hall has an ad for horse and cattle medicines, liniments, condition powders, etc John Murphy and Son were leading bakers of fine bread, cake and pastry, Main Street, Charlottetown. W. W. Wellner, watchmaker and jeweller, North Side Queen Square, where the business is still carried on by his son Lloyd Wellner. The Great Clothing Store—J. B. McDonald's, Queen Street, was where S. A. McDonald's is now.

The official score card bore the names of Benjamin Rogers, President, A. B. Warburton, Secretary Mr. Rogers was the founder of the Rogers Hardware Co., Ltd., and one of the most enterprising men this city ever knew. He was one of the chief promoters, together with George E. Hughes, A. B. Warburton, Judge Fitzgerald, James Paton, Charles Gardiner, to mention only a few who made the Charlottetown Driving Park and Provincial Exhibition possible.

At the beginning we referred to the date of the races, October 8th. In those days Exhibitions were always held early in October and prior to their event the newspapers would carry ads for heavy underwear and fur coats and merchants would do quite a business in these protective garments. People would arrive by horse and carriage and by train. Trains would come in packed with people Quite often the hotels would be filled and private houses would be called upon to help out. Exhibition Week was looked forward to all through the year and was then as it is now the big holiday event. Visitors came from all parts of the Maritimes and no doubt enjoyed themselves as well as they do now.

One of our many satisfied customers

How Are Your Horses Teeth?

The Reducine Co., Michigan, have this to say in their Reducine Booklet about attending to horses teeth. Have his teeth examined often—and always by a competent veterinary dentist. Never let a man fix your horse's teeth unless you are perfectly sure that he is competent and well qualified. Veterinary dentistry is now on a par with human dentistry, yet there are still some ignorant tooth butchers doing business. We have seen horses whose front teeth had been shortened by a botch dentist until they did not come together—the horse could not eat grass. We have seen other horses which had their back teeth floated until they could not grind either grain or hay—the front teeth too long, back teeth too short, and the owners wondered why they grew thin and got out of condition. A horse cannot do well unless his teeth are in perfect condition. One bad tooth may make a horse grow thin in flesh—make him irritable and nervous as it would a man, make him drive badly, race badly etc. Have treated some of the greatest horses of this and past days. All orders promptly attended to and satisfaction guaranteed. Will visit any point. Write me for terms.

Dr. J. M. Nicholson
202 Kent St., Charlottetown, P.E.I.
12-19-2-30-3i

GUARDIAN SPORTING NEWS

Counter 70 Seconds From End Of Game Gives Saints 4-All Draw With P.W.C.

Scoring a goal in the last minute and ten seconds of play St. Dunstan's University hockey squad last night emerged with a 4-4 draw against the fast P.W.C. team in a regular scheduled game of the City Hockey League. The score indicates the play throughout the entire game. For the entire playing time both squads, bitter rivals, battled tooth and nail on the most even terms. Three times during the encounter the Saints were out in front only to have the City collegians pull up on even terms and then very nearly come out with a victory as they pulled ahead in the last session only to see victory snatched from them in the last 70 seconds.

Saints took a 1-0 lead in the first session; they still retained their margin at the end of the second as they lead 3-2 but P.W.C. outscored the University team 2-1 in the final heat to deadlock the count at 4-all.

First Period

Fourteen seconds before the final whistle Saints broke the scoreless battle as McAdam whistled in a drive from the blueline that beat Benson Auld in the P.W.C. cage cleanly. P.W.C. were shorthanded at the time, Gallant being chased to the timers for a tripping penalty.

Score of the session closely indicated the play of the rugged, fast opening period. In the first half of play Saints missed two glorious chances as they missed open nets while twice more P.W.C. broke right in on top of the S.D.U. goalie only to lose their chances by poor shooting.

But all through the session it was anybody's battle as both teams skated with the throttle wide open and the fans were kept in a continuous uproar.

Second Period

Saints scored another last second goal in the middle canto to retain their one-goal margin as both teams shot a brace of goals to leave the University team a-head 3-2.

Starting the session still short a man P.W.C. were kept on the defensive for the first minute and a half but as they came back to full strength they took control and Ed Bagnall knotted the count as he picked up a loose puck to score easily from ten feet out. The tie was shortlived however as L. Lamontagne tipped in a pass from R. Lamontagne 54 seconds after the P.W.C. score.

Not to be denied the City team took less than a minute to knot the count for the second time as Nicolle fired home Moreside's pass to send the P.W.C. rooters into a frenzy.

For the rest of the period it was an ever-changing battle as both goalies pulled off sensational saves but Saints again went to the front in the final second, McAdam to R. Lamontagne to L. Lamontagne.

Third Period

Right from the outset P.W.C. pressed hard and Hodgson just trickled one by the open corner. Keeping up the pressure Beck, racing the length of the ice, sizzled one home from the blueline and it was 3-all. Saints taking the offensive were robbed a dozen times by Auld between the pipes for P.W.C.

For the first time in the game the City team skated to the front as Hodgson from a wild scramble drove the rubber home to make it 4-3. Then the action really started. For the final ten minutes of the game it was the fastest and best hockey of the league with the Saints getting the equalizer a minute and ten seconds from the end, L. Lamontagne taking a pass from his brother, R. Lamontagne to backhand a drive high into the draperies.

Lineups:

P.W.C.—Goal, Auld; defence, Hodgson, Beck, Large; forwards, Nicolle, Moreside, D. Bagnall, E Bagnall, Beer, Jones, Gallant.

S.D.U.—Goal, Fournier; defence, MacAdam, Higgins, Martin; forwards, Forbes, Jorgan, Mahar, L Lamontagne, R. Lamontagne, Morris, Rossiter, J. Rossiter, Cameron.

SUMMARY

First Period

1—S.D.U., McAdam 14:46
Penalty—Gallant.

Second Period

2—P.W.C., E. Bagnall 3:34
3—S.D.U., L. Lamontagne (R. Lamontagne, McAdam) 4:30
4—P.W.C., Nicolle (Moreside) 5:17
5—S.D.U., L. Lamontagne (R. Lamontagne) 14:59
Penalty—L. Lamontagne.

Third Period

6—P.W.C., Beck 2:20
7—P.W.C., Hodgson 8:12
8—S.D.U., L. Lamontagne (R. Lamontagne) 13:50
Penalty—Morris.

Remember When

(By The Canadian Press)

The ring's "Cinderella man," James J. Braddock, announced his retirement from boxing five years ago today. A week earlier the New Jersey fighter staged a comback success over Tommy Farr, British champion. It was his first victory since Joe Louis defeated him in a bout for the world heavyweight crown.

Margaret Philpot, better known to millions of Americans as Madge Bellamy, star of silent movies, is pictured in a San Francisco court, freed on bail after being charged with firing three shots at A. Stanwood Murphy, socially prominent lumber company executive with whom she had been going for several years. According to police, the assault stemmed from her rage when she learned that he had married June Alma, New York model, recently.

(Credit NEA Telephoto)

YES FUN TIME

THE *FORUM* — TO-DAY
TWO SKATING SESSIONS
3 — 5 P.M. AND 8 — 10 P.M.

Six Classes Of Ice Racing Slated For This Afternoon

Six classes will be run off on the Speedway off Victoria Park this afternoon Victoria Driving Club Officials announced last night. This is a change from the previously announced program in which but five classes were slated but due to unavoidable circumstances the Class A Trot and Pace has been cancelled, two horses have been added to Class A Trot and Pace while a Class C Trot and Pace and a Class D Trot and Pace have been added to make up six fast classes.

Here are the entries:

Free-for-all: Royal Jim, Nell Cochatodale, Lady Hal, Peter Reaper.

Class A Trot and Pace: Joe Volo, Wait N' See, Dr. Budlong, Nita Volo, Darkey Kalmuck, Juanita Axworthy.

Class B Pace: Little Peter, Jean Stratton, Miss Marjorie Hal, Princess Kalmuck, Leland.

Class B Trot: Virginia Kalmuck, Mr. Tilley, Lusty's First, Ethel Bellini, Miss Brewer.

Class C Trot and Pace Bessie Kalmuck, Peter Grattan, Mary Frisco, Karara the Great, The Bullett.

Class D Trot and Pace: Tex Worthy Hal Trampfast, Frisco Girl, Margaret L. Happy K.

S'Side Air Force Defeats Army 7-1

A team from the Air Force at Summerside and an army team from Beach Grove at Charlottetown played a 4-4 tie exhibition hockey game at Summerside last night. A record crowd turned out to cheer both teams impartially. It was the first game of the season at Summerside.

From the opening gong the game was fast and furious and what the lads lacked in team work they more than made up for in individual efforts. The game was ably refereed by Pilot Officer Irwin who handed out decisions impartially.

Midget Hockey Practice

There will be a hockey practice for all the Midgets who handed their names in to the Canadian Hockey Club. The practice will take place at the Upper Queen St. rink this morning at 10 o'clock sharp. All players are requested to be there.

CONTACT CLUB NOTES

The regular meeting was held on Tuesday in the club room in The Town Hall. Mrs. Pamela Gent, the vice-president, presided. Plans for the coming dance on Feb. 1 in the Maple Leaf Gardens were discussed and committees appointed. It was decided to have special prizes and a program.

The semi-weekly bridge club met this week at the home of Mrs. Jock Hopkirk. The prize winners were: first, Inez Curl; second, Pamela Gent; third, Ketty Webber. A most enjoyable afternoon was spent, lunch was served by the hostess.

The single passes to the Capitol Theatre were won last week by Dot Cunningham, high single 187 and V. Moscrip, high three 538. These passes are donated each week for bowling.

"YANKEE" INDIAN?

The term Yankee is believed to stem from the Indians' mispronunciation of the French word for English, "anglais."

Ten Soldiers Leave Province

The following soldiers, all privates left No 62 C.A.(B.)T.C. Beach Grove on Wednesday for service elsewhere in Canada:

L.C. Clow, Summerside;
T. Collins, Charlottetown;
A.J. Doherty, Charlottetown;
J.E. Dunning, Charlottetown;
E. Mallett, Traveller's Rest;
J.C. Mullally, Souris East;
S.J.A. MacDonald, Monticello;
F.V. McGregor, Charlottetown;
C.A. Ramsay, Alberton;
L.J. Malone, Coleman;

Before leaving the men were presented with cigarettes by the Provincial Government through the Carry On Canada Corps. The presentations were looked after by a representative of the Canadian Legion War Services.

Rescue workers dig through debris of a London school, smashed by Nazi bombs, where at least 30 children were killed and 12 injured. Twenty-five to 30 German bombers, making the largest daylight raid on the British capital since the Battle of Britain, destroyed two sections of the city and machine-gunned noon-day crowds in the streets.

(Credit NEA Radiophoto)

C. H. L. Standings

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Navy	6	3	0	3	32	20	10
S.D.U.	4	1	0	3	15	13	10
Y.M.C.A.	5	3	1	1	23	14	7
P.W.C.	6	2	2	2	28	24	7
R.A.F.	6	2	3	1	19	26	6
Army	5	0	5	0	12	32	0

No More Permits For Slaughtering To Farmers Here

Information received yesterday by Mr. G. H. Barbour, Prices and Supply Representative of the Prices Board here, will be of interest to the majority of farmers throughout the Province. It was forwarded from Ottawa by Mr. G. W. Toole at the request of Mr. R. H. Graham, Manager, Wartime Foods Corporation.

The statement, which is self-explanatory reads as follows: "Under Order A-490 regarding slaughtering a great many farmers who kill livestock for their own use only or perhaps a few head for their own immediate neighbourhood have applied for an interim permit. To date these have been granted upon request. I am instructed by the Foods Administrator to request that you cease issuing permits to those in this category. Retail butchers and those in business in a legitimate way should continue to be cared for if application is made. For all those who do not appear to be regular operators of a butchering business or store or who have not been operating a slaughter house, applications should be carefully considered.

"It is our intention upon reviewing the permits issued to cut rather severely all those who are not operating as a means of livelihood. Complaints have been received that holders of interim permits are now taking advantage of the opportunity of selling a larger number on the domestic market than formerly. It is our intention to discourage this practice as much as possible. You should, therefore, carefully scrutinize each application to determine whether or not the applicant has been in a regular business. We also feel that sufficient time has elapsed for all those who intend making application to have done so."

Ice racing and curling will hold the spotlight in the local week-end sport parade with the Victoria Driving Club staging another five class card and the curlers winding up their week-end bonspiel which got underway last night.

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Today's racing over the speedway off Victoria Park gives every indication of being the best to date this season with another large entry list, including many of the fast-steppers from outside the city.

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Big crowds is the rule for all meets ands the horse followers follow each heat with just as keen an interest as the summer race meetings attract.

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This season also many complimentary remarks are being heard about the fine track. It has been a good many years since the course was in such excellent condition and a great deal of the credit must go to capable officers of the club who are painstaking in their efforts to have the best possible footing for the horses.

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Officials are keeping their fingers crossed in the hope that the course will be in just as good a shape for the big two or three day Inter-province meet which is slated for the week of February 15th. If it is, it is a foregone conclusion that fans will witness the best ice racing meet ever staged in the Maritimes.

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Today's card will begin promptly at 2 o'clock sharp and owners and drivers are asked to be on hand, on time, so that there will be no unnecessary delays.

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Frank Calder, President of the N.H.L., seized with a heart attack recently at the N.H.L. meeting in Toronto, has been under heavy pressure all season. Frank, in his middle sixties, pursues a pretty testing athletic program in addition to the mental strain he has been under in guiding the league through the mounting obstacles created by war conditions.

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He is a handball player, who gets an hour a day when in the city at his favorite pastime. He plays the game with rare enthusiasm, likes to win at it as well as get exercise.

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He may have to cut down some on this program. His presidential duties have been pretty exacting. Calder has had a lot of contend with in recent years, and the contention hasn't come from within his own ranks where sniping at the president used to be something of a favored sport by various magnates years ago.

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He has had solid support in the main from those quarters. Calder, a patient man, has overcome many obstacles. A more dramatic man might have put the N.H.L. in jeopardy many times. A less judicial man might indeed have caused the suspension of play by trying to force issues which Calder handled skilfully with due regard to the time factor.

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Those who know Frank well have a genuine regard for him. To those who don't know him at all he may be curt, standoffish, sometimes abrupt, but those who share his friendship he is a man to tie to in every sense of the word.

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Frank is always at his happy best on the golf course. There is a place where you can measure a man even better than you can in business.

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Here in his unhurried way he played a good game, an adequate game, one you call a good businessman's game.

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There were times too when Frank played badly, but never with a trace of petulance. Afternoons at golf with him are among the many treasured recollections of his friends. All hope he will shrug off this attack as he has shrugged off so many pressing problems.

Finals For Holt Renfrew's Trophy

QUEBEC, Jan. 30 —(Saturday)—(CP)— E. M. Nerlich's Toronto Granite squad and P. Connolly's Bathrust, N.B., rink will contest the final for the Holt Renfrew's Trophy of the 30th annual International "victory" bonspiel here early this morning. Both clubs qualified yesterday when they defeated Dr. Malcom's Saint John, N.B. Thistle 20-7 and Arthur Rowland's Quebec Curling Club 17-10, respectively.

FOR INFANTRY

Canada's new Motorized Infantry needs red-blooded fellows like YOU to enlist and take special training for whatever branch you are best qualified. As a signaller, mortar man, member of a Bren gun carrier crew, motor cyclist or machine gunner, you will be joining the best-outfitted, best-fed, best-paid, best-armed Infantry in the world!

FOR ARMORED CORPS

Or perhaps you would rather fight in a tank unit. Then it's the Armored Corps for you, the shock troops of the Canadian Army—where there's plenty of action, smashing down resistance, clearing the way with the Infantry. A he-man's job this — help finish the job!

FOR ARTILLERY

The Royal Canadian Artillery is completely mechanized in the field. Men with high school education are needed for specialist units such as Radio Direction Finding, Survey; and others for Anti-Tank, Field and Medium Regiments.

ENLIST NOW!

LOCAL RECRUITING OFFICE

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TIPPIE AND "CAP" STUBBS — By Edwina