DOWN -The- BACK STRETCH

This has been horsemen's week in Charlottetown with visitors in quite large numbers from Halifax, Dartmouth and other points in Nova Scotia. The weather, while not ideal was sufficiently good enough to carry out the entire program. Later on in these notes you will read more about the Inter-Provincial ice championships.

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Canadian horsemen are well represented at Hollywood Park, California, at present. Included in the contingent are trainer Charlie Trimble with Widow's Pride 2, 2.05, owned by C. E. Wry, St. Stephen; H. LaRochelle from Sorel, Quebec, with ten pacing candidates headed by Guy H. 2.00¾ and three derby candidates, Adage 2.02, Mighty Spender 2.06¼ and Pine Ridge Sally 2.06¾. Dr. J. S. Ferguson of Chatham, Ontario, has two in the big stake, Star Henley, 2.11, 2.14, one of the big winners at the night races held at Northville Downs Michigan, last fall. R. W. Leatherdale of Windsor, Ont. is represented with Blue Again 2.02½ that is being handled by W. D. Fraser of Forest, Ont., who has raced some of the best Canadian trotters and pacers in the last decade. Blue Again 2.02½ was sold at the York, Pa. sale last fall by Sep Palin and looked as though there was another one or two good years in him. We expected he would have been picked up by one of our Maritimers but they passed him by.

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"Red" Hanafin, who has played many roles in his lifetime and is well-known locally because of his performances over our Charlottetown track, has turned scribe and sends some real good notes to The Harness Horse from Macon, Georgia, track. Here is a sample . . . "Well, to begin with I thought I had played every position on a race track, but my hand has been called and I find I have to pinch write of what is doing here at Macon. I have raced them, rubbed them, bet on them, won on them and more often I've lost on them. Work and me have always been on speaking terms. I have peddled socks, straw hats, underwear, waited on table. And when the late Frank Muzzy was sick and could not sell pools, well I may not have sold pools the orthodox way, but I got the money aboard. I have been so familiar with the cloth, that it made my elbows shiny but I've never stopped trying: being Irish and red-headed with some liberal Irish luck of me, I have been nearly down, but my shoulders have never been on the financial mat for more than an hour or so." Red is now preparing three that look like good ones at the track he writes from. They are Summer's Son 2.05, Jimmie Braynard 2.12¼ and Frisco Forbes, a four-year-old that he likes very much. From the sample of literature that Red has sent out on his first try it seems to us that he would make good as a correspondent for the turf papers.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sturgis of Norway, Maine, are making a wonderful winter of it. They left home in their car around the latter part of January and have visited the following race tracks—Harrington, Delaware, Pinehurst, N.C., Aiken, S. C., Macon, Ga. Orlando, Florida, and are now at Hollywood Park, California. What a marvellous trip! We are going to keep that in the back of our head hoping to duplicate it ourselves in the not too distant future.

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One of the happiest men we know of in this country is Harold Cudmore of Brackley, who enjoys health, has had splendid success with his farm, being one of the top potato growers in his section, has a lovely wife and family and in addition has Prince Budlong 3, 2.14, one of the best prospects ever developed here. This youngster by Calumet Budlong 2.02¾, dam by Bud Axworthy 2.14 (full brother to Lee Axworthy 1.58½) received very scanty training last year and all at the hands of the owner, yet towards the end of the season he won from a good field in 2.14 with some to spare. Numerous offers have been made—some in the four figures—to Harold, but it is not a case of money, there is sentiment connected with Prince Budlong and he intends to keep him. In addition he has what looks to be a pretty fair slow class pacer in Just Flicka 2.17¼ dam by Calumet Budlong 2.02¾, dam by Colonel Aubrey 2.10¼, one of the greatest horses the writer ever raced. We would say that many millionaires would like to change places with Harold, possessing as he does so many adjuncts to happiness.

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The colts are stepping fast in Longwood, Florida. Hayes Hanover, brother to the undefeated Ensign Hanover 2, 2.04¼, has set the mark for two-year-old pacers at 2.19¼, last half in 1.06¼ and last quarter in 31½ seconds. He is a son of the world's champion Billy Direct 1.55 and is hoped to be a duplicate of his famous brother. The Billy Directs are showing up well at all the early training tracks and this year one can be sure that Billy Direct will be represented by a lot of 2.10 two-year-olds.

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Vic Flemming, Canadian trainer of Syracuse, New York, does not appear in the Harness Horse news as frequently as he used to. Vic is getting along in years and finds the going a bit tougher with all the smart young trainers that are bobbing up. He has an enduring niche in the Hall of Fame, having given Billy Direct his world's record pacing of 1.55 and Calumet Evelyn, world's double-gaited record of 1.59 at both gaits as well as having placed a large number of trotters and pacers in the two-minute class. Perhaps his greatest success was achieved with Grattan Bars 1.58, that he won over $75,000 worth of stakes with in one season and would no doubt have given a world's pacing record to but for lameness interfering. Vic made a trip to Canada a short time ago and bought the two-year-old Corporal Dick by Corporal Lee for a reported price of $3,500 from Fred Saint of Wallaceburg, Ont. The Saint family recently bought Pink Cheeks 2.07¼ and two others in Iowa. They will be remembered as the owners of the great little pacer Hal B. Direct 2.04, which they sold to Bob Plaxico of Ohio four years ago, who raced him very successfully over the tracks there, giving him a record of 2.04 and sold him to parties in New Glasgow, N. S., where he set the track record at 2.06¼. Last year it was lowered to 2.06 by Mighty Hanover 2.02½.

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Moon blindness or periodic ophthalmia, which in some years and some localities causes temporary and sometimes permanent blindness in horses, has been found to be due to a food deficiency. It has been known in foreign countries for two thousand years and in certain parts of the United States for a long time. Veterinarians and research workers have been endeavoring through the ages to determine the cause and cure. It is due to a deficiency of the vitamin Riboflavin and that is now being administered in the sections of the United States where the disease occurs, in doses of 40 mgs. a day and at a cost of about one cent per dose. No case has occurred among horses receiving it while new cases continue at the same rate where it was not administered.

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Perhaps the most famous horse to come to the Maritime Provinces suffering from the disease which was prevalent in the locality where he was bred, was Dingola by Expedition, a handsome chestnut that Fred Cameron brought here from the mid-west in 1912. He had two-minute speed, perfect pacing action and was sold to Adams and Mitchell of Halifax for a long price. He won one race at Halifax but lost the second, then went on to Fredericton, taking a record of 2.13½. Later on he was sent to Walter Cox and raced on the Grand Circuit where he won races and took a record of 2.05½. He then drifted back to Prince Edward Island where he stood at the farm of Dave White, York Point, and sired Jessica the Great 2.14, Dingola 2.21½ and others.

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Franklyn Safford who was top point winning race driver in the United States last season, has the largest stable in training in either the United States or Canada this year—36. Quite a few of these are owned by S. A. Wathan and Son, Fort Fairfield, Maine, and by Fred Mawhinney, Machias, Maine. Safford was the man who marked the big grey gelding Lu McKinney in 2.02½. He is a big, powerful man and certainly could hold on to the hard-mouthed Lu.

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We were asked the question this morning, how long has ice racing been going on in Prince Edward Island? Well, it is anybody's guess but we believe it probably commenced very shortly after the importation of horses here. The writer remembers as a boy watching racing over the Souris ice. The heats were mile heats to sleigh. Some of the more up-to-date owners had skeleton sleighs which materially increased their chances of winning. When we arrived in Charlottetown in the 1890's the same type of racing was in vogue here. The names we particularly remember in connection with it were our late lamented friends ex-Mayor P. S. Brown, Ronnie Steele and later Hammond Kelly and Henry Hooper. They were all devotees of this form of sport which we ourselves indulged in very liberally later on. As the horses increased in speed and methods of clearing the ice improved horses were hooked to sleighs or carts and properly prepared for racing. Then records commenced to tumble and to the best of our memory the half-mile trotting record in these parts stands at 1.00 2/5, made by Our Peggy, and the pacing record held by Princess Etta is 1.02½.

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Around the mid-1920's the distance was cut to quarter mile heats, taking our cue from Maine where that distance had been in vogue for years. This did not entail as much work keeping the course clear and did not take as much out of the horses. The fastest time that we remember of trotting was 28 1/5 seconds by Briar Mac and the fastest quarter pacing was that of Hal McKinney in 28½ seconds. Horses have gone away from here to race in far away Michigan where The Yank set up a world's trotting record on ice of 2.15½ on January 15th, 1924. He was owned by the writer but was driven by Ernie McTague.

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In recent years the Inter-Provincial ice meets were brought into being through the efforts of energetic members of the Victoria Driving Club and the Halifax and Dartmouth Driving Clubs. These have added new incentive to the sport and are eagerly looked forward to each winter. Our boys were given a grand time on their recent visit to the Garrison City and Dartmouth, and our citizens and the Victoria Driving Club have responded quite well here. On Tuesday evening His Worship Mayor B. Earle MacDonald and Councillors Dr. F. C. Dougan, C. M. Cox and W. R. LePage held a reception in the Council Chambers which was attended by the visiting horsemen and members of the Victoria Driving Club. His Worship expressed the hope that the visitors' stay would be a pleasant one and that the Inter-Provincial ice meet would be a complete success. President Cyril Dauphinee of the Halifax Driving Club occupied the seat of honor alongside of His Worship and later President Fred Lahey, who had been delayed en route, was presented with the key of the city by His Worship.

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Among the visitors here from the different clubs in addition to the presidents were, R. S. Allen, Robie Kaizer, Raymond Kaizer, Al Robie Kaizer, Raymond Kaizer, Al Hodgins, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Gray, Phil Trotsky, Tom Watson, Mrs. M. E. Kyle, Walter Johnston, Bob McAlpine, George Shanks, Douglas Shanks, L. A. O'Brien from Halifax. The group from Dartmouth included George Turner, Angie Allen, Gregory O'Hearn, Victor O'Hearn, Dan Turner, George Clarke, William Cross, Scott Weeks, Eric Fields and Mr. Weeks.

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Owing to the mild weather part of Wednesday's racing took place in the morning and practically all of Thursday's races. On Tuesday it looked as though the entire program might have to be cancelled as the ice looked quite soft, but a fortunate drop in temperature and a new course picked out by the club management solved the difficulty and splendid racing attended by very large crowds made this two-day meet one of the best ever held. In the evening a monster banquet was held at The Charlottetown which was attended by over 200 guests and was featured by a program of happy entertainment, songs and impromptu speeches. Prizes, in the form of silver trays and trophies, were presented to the owners of winning horses as follows:

Championship Pace

Won by Walter Brown 2.04½ owned by Scott Weeks, Dartmouth.

Championship Trot

Won by Hillside Scott 2.11¼, owned by Fred Lahey, Dartmouth.

Wednesday's Winners

CLASS A PACE—Royal Jim, owned by George Hughes, Brackley.
CLASS A TROT—Judge, owned by Rod McAlpine, Halifax.
CLASS B PACE—Nellie Worthy, owned by Allison Carr, Oyster Bed Bridge.
CLASS C PACE—Maudine Budlong, owned by D. Agnew, Central Royalty.
CLASS D PACE—Peter Wolf, owned by A. B. Cutcliffe, Ch'town.

Thursday's Winners

CLASS A PACE—Manchester Apollo, owned by Roble Kaizer, Halifax.
CLASS B TROT—Bonnie Dale, owned by Chester Birt, Pisquid.
CLASS B PACE—Professor Clegg, owned by John Harkness, Summerside.
CLASS A TROT—Tex Worthy, owned by Earle Coles, Milton.
CLASS C PACE—Paddy Aubrey, owned by Jimmie Arsenault, Summerside.

Third Period Attack Gives P.W.C. Welshmen 5-4 Victory Over Acadia

Slamming in two goals in the final six minutes of play Prince of Wales Welshmen last night chalked up a 5-4 victory over Acadia Axemen in an exhibition hockey encounter at the Forum, feature event of the annual Prince of Wales College ice sports that were attended by close to 2,000 people.

And in addition to a thrilling hockey encounter the big crowd of fans witnessed a program of speed skating and an exhibition of figure skating that came as a prelude to the three hockey periods that provided bristling play throughout.

Led by Jimmy Gray the Acadians clung tenaciously to a goal lead for over two periods of the hockey encounter but finally fell victim to the P.W.C. closing attack as young Pud Beer and Ted Bradley came through with two passing attacks that pulled the game out of the fire.

But up to that point it appeared to the large crowd of fans that Fred Kelly's Axemen were going to walk off with the verdict. They shot the only goal of the first period to lead 1-0 and then split four goals with their opponents during the middle canto to retain their goal margin. They roared back to regain the lead at approaching the eight minute mark of the final session after Prince of Wales had knotted the count for the second time but then were forced to bend by the torrid closing attack of the winners.

Wide open from the starting histle both teams gave the big crowd thrill after thrill with Jack Proude making a sensational save off N. Crowell in the first minute of play and Nicolle and Robertson missing by inches on a counter-attack by Collegians. The session was just past the six minute mark when Acadia struck for the only goal of the period. Quigley was serving a tripping penalty when Gray slammed the disc in from a scramble in front of the Collegians' goal.

Before the session ended McKay and Spicer both drew penalties to leave the Axemen shorthanded but the visitors were able to kill off the penalties with stout defensive work, although "Nick" Nicolle was in twice in a row for close-in scoring atempts.

With both squads playing it wide open the fans got plenty of action all through the middle session with Acadia retaining their first period goal margin as the two teams split four goals evenly. For over eight minutes both goalies kept their cages clear of allen rubber until the visiting Axemen made it 2-0, Gray snapping a drive behind Proude from thirty feet out after taking a pass from Crowell in the middle zone.

Sending four and five man attacks up, Welshmen finally forced Fowler to bend at the 16:07 mark, Bagnall picking the open corner after Ted Bradley sent him into the clear with a well-timed pass at the blueline. Drawing penalties almost simultaneously Leightizer and Nicolle of the Welshmen were both in "sinners' avenue" when Bill Robertson knotted the count at 2-all, snapping a low drive behind Fowler. But Welshmen, still playing shorthanded trailed again at 18:34 when Crowell dented the twines after getting Gray's pass. Acadia ended the period shorthanded when Leggitt drew a holding penalty in the final minute of play.

A little better than five minutes had elapsed in the final session when the Welshmen knotted the count at 3-all, Blanchard slamming in Nicolle's passout from the side of the Acadia net, but the Axemen were back two minutes and twenty seconds later with Crosby beating Proude after taking a pass from Gray well inside the blueline.

There was less than seven minutes to play when Bradley and Beer on a beautiful passing play combined to beat Fowler, Beer sagging the twines with a chest-high shot from just outside the crease to make it 4-all.

Then the same pair accounted for the clincher at 16.59, Beer sending Bradley into the clear at centre with a forward pass, and the right winger of Welshmen made no mistake as he skated right in to beat Fowler from ten feet out for the winning counter. Acadia pressed hard in the remaining three minutes of play but could not beat Proude for the counter that would have knotted the score.

•Lineups:—

Acadia: Goal, Fowler; defence, MacKay, Leggitt, Craig, Stairs; forwards, Crowell, Gray, Crosby, Purdy, Thomas, Spicer, Walker.

P. W. C.: Goal, Proude; defence, Keefe, McDonald Dalziel, Leightizer; forwards, Nicolle, Blanchard, Robertson, Beer, Bagnall, Bradley, MacLennan, Quigley, Reddin, Richard.

Referees: Prowse, Whitlock.

Summary:—

1st Period

1—Acadia, Gray 6:07
Penalties: Quigley, McKay, Spicer.

2nd Period

2—Acadia, Gray (Crowell) 8:02
3—P. W. C., Bagnall (Bradley) 16:07
4—P. W. C., Robertson 17:19
5—Acadia, Crowell (Gray) 18:34
Penalties: Stairs, Leightizer, Nicolle, Leggitt.

3rd Period

6—P. W. C., Blanchard (Nicolle) 5:26
7—Acadia, Crosby (Gray) 7:46
8—P. W. C., Beer (Bradley) 13:21
9—P. W. C., Bradley (Beer) 16:59
Penalties: Purdy.

The results of the skating races follow:

Boys 6 and 7 Years

1. S. Burgoyne.
2. J. A. MacKenzie.
3. Pete Kelly.

Boys 8 to 9 Years

1. C. Carroll.
2. J. Ferguson.
3. W. MacDonald.

P. W. C. — Girls' Open

1. K. MacEachern
2. Lima Rodd.
3. Evelyn Kenny

School Girls 9 Years and Under

1. Fay Mill.
2. Theresa Hennessey.
3. Elizabeth Atkinson.

Boys 10 to 11 Years

1. D. MacLeod.
2. G. Sudsbury.
3. R. MacNevin.

Boys 12 Years

1. R. Carroll.
2. B. MacDonald.
3. W. Blanchard.

P. W. C. Boys 16 and Under

1. D. Pierce.
2. R. Dougan.
3. J. Craig.

P. W. C. Senior Boys

1. A. Aitken.
2. D. MacDonald.
3. B. Brehaut.

School Girls 10 Years and Over

1. M. Bennett.
2. Jane Praught.
3. Shirley Carroll.

Team Race

1. K. MacEachern, E. Landrigan.
2. H. Wright and E. Martin.
3. J. Moore and R. Rodd.

Boys 12 Years Or Over

1. N. MacMillan.
2. H. Warren.
3. F. Blanchard.

Half Mile Open

1. B. Brehaut.
2. A. Aitken.
3. D. Pierce.

Hoop Semi-Finals Open This Afternoon

This afternoon at 4.15, the opening game in the semi-finals of the City Basketball League will take place at Prince of Wales College auditorium when the fourth-place Y team meets the league-leading S.D.U. quintet. The winners of this three game series will meet the winners of the other half of the semi-finals—between the second-place P. W. C. and the third-place Arabs—for the city championship.

Exhibition Baseball

At Daytona Beach, Fla.
Philadelphia (Al) 003 010 000- 4 8 1
Brooklyn (N) 220 071 01x-13 19 2
Brown, Johnson, Coleman and Rosar, Castiglia; Van Cuyk, Crocker and Padgett, Howell.

At Lort Lauderdale, Fla.
Philadelphia (N) 100 000 000-1 5 1
Boston (N) 110 100 02x-5 11 0
Mulligan, Estock, Mauney and Phillips, Peterson; Cooper, Sain and Masi.

At San Bernardino, Cal.
St. Louis 010 610 212-13 21 0
Pittsburgh 202 000 200- 6 11 1
Sanford, Lamacchia and Mancuso; Gables, Hallett, Strincevich, Clemsen and Salkeld.

Headlining the weekend sports program will be the Legionaires vs. the Saint Dunstan's tussle at the Forum tonight. Scheduled to start at 9 p. m. with the winner of the setto clashing with the P. W. C. Welshmen in the final series to determine the City League Championship.

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Breaking even in the two games played to date the Saints and Legion are fully expected to go all out tonight in their battle for a place in the finals. There is very little difference between the two teams; they have shown that in the previous two games and tonight's encounter should be battled out on even terms from the opening whistle.

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But regardless of which team is returned the winner after tonight's encounter goes into the record book P. W. C. Welshmen will be assured of the stoutest opposition. Both Legionaires and Saint Dunstan's have been playing a smart brand of hockey in their last couple of appearances and Welshmen will have to be at their best if they are to cop the league title and the Hawley Crockett Trophy that goes to the winners.

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Down five goals as a result of their 10-5 lacing at Halifax Thursday night Johnny Squarebrigs's Collegians are definitely "on the spot" for the second game of the total goal series scheduled for Forum ice on Tuesday night next. It is a big lead to overcome, but one that is not impossible and judging from the attitude of both players and coach, whom we were in conversation with yesterday morning, it will not be altogether surprising if the local team will still be crowned champions of the seaside provinces.

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"Snag" had nothing but praise for the performance of his squad at Halifax on Thursday. At the same time he gave plenty of credit to the heavy, fast, St. Mary's team for their performance in the first period when they shot a total of eight goals to one lone response by the Island representatives. Without attempting to take anything away from the Halifax victory "Snag," nevertheless, was of the opinion that his squad with a few breaks coming their way could easily have made the outcome much closer.

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"St. Marys' could do nothing wrong in the first 20 minutes of play," was the way in which "Snag" put it to your reporter. However it was a different story in the next two periods.

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Collegians evidently started to hit their stride after a shaky start. They carried the play to the Nova Scotia Champions in the final two sessions to outscore them four-two and had they taken advantage of their scoring opportunities a very different story would have resulted.

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All members of the team including their popular Coach, Johnny Squarebriggs, are actually "itching" for the return tussle here. They know full well that a five goal deficit to make up is a large order, but they will go out with just that aim in mind.

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With the odds stacked against them, Tuesday night is the time for local hockey fans to get solidly behind the youngsters that are attempting to regain junior hockey supremacy in the Maritimes. True, there were many local fans listening in to Thursday night's broadcast who were very much disappointed but once Collegians had become accustomed to the strange ice surface, over which they were playing, they proved themselves equally as good if not a little bit better than the squad that represented Nova Scotia.

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St. Marys are tough, no doubt about that, as they lengthened their unbeaten, untied record during the past two years on Thursday night, but Tuesday night next they will be faced by a goal-hungry team of Island Champions who, despite their first game setback, still have plenty of confidence that they can turn the tables in their favor and go on into the Eastern Canadian junior playdowns. It is a big order spotting their opponents five goals but if it is at all possible, the N.B.-P.E.I champions will turn the trick.

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This afternoon Saint Dunstan's and Y. M. C. A. hoop teams clash in the first game of their best out of three series to determine the winner that will go into the finals against the winner of the Arabs-P. W. C. semi-final bracket.

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The Y-team will enter the series more or less as the underdog due mainly to the game-winning streak that the University team has enjoyed in the latter part of the schedule. But that is not phasing the city representatives one bit and they have all intentions of going all out this afternoon in an endeavour to chalk up the first all-important victory.

Exhibition Hockey

This afternoon at 1 o'clock, the 60th Squadron Air Cadets play an exhibition hockey game with the Guardian Angels.

Advance Seat Sale TO DAY

HOURS OF SALE: 9:30 A.M. to Noon; 1:30 P.M. to 5; 9 P.M. to 10 P.M.

RESERVED SEAT PRICES:

FIRST FOUR SIDE ROWS ..... 70c plus 5c tax
FIFTH AND SIXTH SIDE ROWS ..... 60c plus 5c tax
NORTH END ..... 55c plus 5c tax

ON SALE TUESDAY NIGHT:

BALCONY ..... 50c plus 5c tax
STANDING ROOM (Promenade) ..... 45c plus 5c tax

POSITIVELY NO ADVANCE ORDERS; NO PHONE ORDERS

ST. MARY'S, HALIFAX
COLLEGIANS, CH'TOWN.

TUESDAY
MARCH 12

FORUM

The proposed extension of the hunting and angling license to include farmers is causing considerable discussion among sportminded elements in the country districts. The Game Act as it stands at present makes it compulsory only for urban residents of the Province —farmers and their sons and hired help as well as commercial fishermen are exempt—to purchase a hunting and angling permit (combined) at a cost of one dollar. The amendment to the Act, as recommended by the P.E.I. Fish and Game Protection Association and Island Pheasants Unlimited, would make it compulsory for all male residents of the province over the age of 16 years to purchase a hunting and angling license, at the regular fee, before attempting to hunt game or angle for trout or salmon.

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The writer has talked to a large number of farmers and their sons, who are confirmed hunting and fishing addicts, since the question was mooted early in the fall, and its no use attempting to deny the fact that there is a lot of opposition to a straight hunting and angling permit. However, with some adjustments to the amendment, there are a large number of country gunners who are in favour of a one dollar hunting license (no license to angle for trout . . . thank you). The fact that the money is to be spent for the betterment of shooting and fishing in he Province puts the proposition in a better light.

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Since last September the writer has talked to approximately one hundred farmers and their sons who like to hunt and fish. I am putting down in print some of the views expressed, as I feel that this is a question where everyone is entitled to an expression of opinion, although the views expressed are not necessarily my own.

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To begin with no one objects to the cost. Times have been good in the country this past number of years and both farmers and commercial fishermen, particularly the latter, have not been pinched for ready cash. They do object to the principle of the thing or, as they are pleased to put it, "why should the 'city fellers' dictate a policy to the farmer?" Here is another view as expressed by a considerable number, "Why should the farmer pay the same amount as the 'City sports'. We feed the birds and allow them to hunt on our land (with a few exceptions) so that should be worth a consideration. Let them pay two dollars and we'll pay one, and we're willing to call it square, but, they added significantly . . . we want to see something for our money."

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Quite a few of the more elderly farmer gunners argue thusly: "Why should we have to pay a license to hunt on our own land. If one wants to carry the gun along when going to the back pasture for the cattle in the hope of picking up a partridge or grouse dinner, why should we have to pay for the privilege?"

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Out of the welter of opinions expressed, two facts have emerged. There would be a tempest of adverse criticism among the farmers to any attempt to license them to fish for trout, and they are very much opposed to a gun license or a permit to carry a gun.

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However, a large number of country sportsmen realize that the amount of money raised from the license on urban gunners (City sports) is insufficient if any great strides toward the improvement of sport, in the form of hunting and fishing, are to be made, and feel that it is up to the country gunners to offer their contribution to the common cause.

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Methinks the following would stand a good chance of going through with a minimum of opposition from country sportsmen: Issue two separate licenses. One for hunting and one for angling for trout or salmon. Make it compulsory for all male residents in the Province over the age of 16 to procure a license to hunt game at a cost of one dollar . . . excepting: "Farmers or their sons or hired help be exempt on their own, or adjoining property". Which means if a farmer from Pownal, Orwell, Covehead, etc., drives to Pisquid Pond, Pisquid River, Clark's Creek, Blooming Point, Fortune or any such places frequented by ducks and geese, etc., he comes under the hunting license category. If he prefers to chase partridge, grouse or pheasants on his own or his neighbor's property . . . let him do it to his heart's content without interference. Have the angling permit to apply to urban residents only as it does at present.

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Boiled down to its last analysis it means just this: If a city sport wants to both hunt and fish, it costs him two dollars. The farmer may do both for one dollar and in specific instances for nothing. Under such a layout, the returns annually should be between four thousand and five thousand dollars. That amount spent yearly in a proper and businesslike manner should prduce amazing results.

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The writer has heard considerable objection raised to spending too much money on pheasants alone. The farmer likes to see the handsome birds around his farm, but many consider them in the nature of an ornament. The cry in the country is for dams, dams and more dams. To the country dweller, a good substantial dam means a number of things. In the winter it means ice for the dairy and skating for sport. In the spring and summer, trout; in the late fall, ducks and mink and muskrat. In November, a beaver dam often brings in over one hundred dollars in muskrat pelts to the farm youths in the district. This is the time for us all to pull together in the common cause, for its only by pulling as a team will the fullest results be achieved.

Brier Tankard Goes To Alberta After Long Quest

By MEL SUFRIN

SASKATOON, March 8—(CP)—Canada's curlers tonight had a new champion, Billy Rose and his Alberta four, now homeward bound after a thrill-packed finish of four days' play, and the winning of the Macdonald's Brier tankard, the premier award in Canadian curling.

It was a hard, battle-strewn road Rose and his men—George Crooks, Austin Smith and Bartley Swelin—travelled, sweeping to victory in the play-offs after seven wins and two defeats in the regular nine-game round robin series.

In the early hours today, the Alberta champions posed their province's fourth victory in 17 years of Brier play, fighting to the last rock to beat Tommy Ramsay's Northern Ontario four, 8-6.

Earlier in the semi-final, Rose, playing a knock-out game, bested Leo Johnson, the 1934 Brier winner, and his Manitoba entry from the Winnipeg Strathcona Club. The score was 8-7.

For the first time since 1923, regular play ended in a three-all tie, Alberta, Manitoba and Northern Ontario each with seven wins and two defeats. Northern Ontario drew a bye into the final.

At the end of regular play British Columbia finished with six wins and 3 losses; Ontario 5 and 4; Saskatchewan 5 and 4; Quebec 3 and 6; Nova Scotia 2 and 7; New Brunswick 2 and 7; Prince Edward Island one and 8.

Georgetown Wins From Murray Hbr.

A Georgetown hockey team last night defeated Murray Harbor 7-5 in the opening game of a best of three series for the P.W. Turner trophy. The game was played at Montague rink.

The teams are members of the King County South Shore League.

Remember When

Mike McTigue, former light-heavyweight boxing champion of the world, lasted only two minutes against Isidoro Gastanaga, a Spaniard, in an attempt at a come-back in Havana 16 years ago tonight. The Irishman had won the title against Senegalese Siki in Dublin on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, 1923, and lost it to Paul Berlenbach in 1925.

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