S'side Captures City Senior League Title

DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

A correspondent from St. John's, Newfoundland, sends us an account of the ice races sponsored by the Horsemen's Association on Quidi Vidi Lake, near St. John's, on St. Patrick's Day. A crowd estimated between five and six thousand watched the afternoon's racing with great interest. All the races were keenly contested and particular interest was centred in the meeting between the local champion Peter Pin and the pride of Conception Bay, Eureka Grey. However, this race failed to provide the thrills and excitement expected, for Peter Pin, driven by Willis Reid (former owner of Harvest Melody) romped off with three straight heats to retain his title.

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In Class B. Trot and Pace Cabot Trail proved more than a match for his competitors, winning three heats, Doctor Mac took another heat and Diana Scott third. In addition to theabove there was a pony race known as the Dobbin Derby that was much enjoyed. The St. John's Chief of Police and a number of the members of his force kept the course clear for the racing and a great measure of its success was due to them. Contestants in the harness racing are all ex-Maritimers. Peter Pin 2.14¼ is a graduate of Earle Avery's stable and was owned here for several years. Cabot Trail and Diana Scott raced in Cape Breton before being exported to the ancient colony.

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A letter from G. Blondin Thomas, Sully, P. Q., states that Miss Bumpas 2.07¾, Ripple Maggie 2.13 and Vivian Sheean 2.07½, have been sold by Durette and Guerette to E. Catley, Sorrel, P. Q. Mr. Thomas, who was in charge of the trio states that the Sorrell track is a most wonderful racing plant. The home stretch is eighty feet wide and they have good buildings, good track, equipment and accommodation.

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G. Blondin, pupil of the late Ed Geers, is by no means out of the racing picture but will start the season of 1945 with a new string which includes Miss Charmer, 2.10¼, eligible to the 2.22 class, Pineridge April 2.12, eligible to the 2.26 class, and Noble Worthy, unmarked but very speedy. Concluding his letter Blondin says: "Watch me uncork another sensational pacer."

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In the mail last evening we had a letter from Sgt. George R. MacDonald, son of the late James MacDonald of this city, who is with the United States Army in France. George was on a furlough to Paris and heard a boy shouting what sounded like "races" in French, so stopped him and bought a racing form then went to the Nord la Gare station only to find the noon train had just left for the track eight kilometres away. "I walked outside and found a three horse hitch, large wagon, holding about fifty persons. It took us an hour to get to the track and the fare was 100 francs return (about $4.00 American money). We had a very enjoyable afternoon. The horses were real good, some fine looking trotters, good mannered, good harness and sulkies and pretty fair drivers. Some could trot the last end of a two-mile race like champions. I did not see any geldings, they were all studs or mares. The parimutuals were in full swing and largely patronized. You could bet as low as 10 francs and of course as much as you wanted to.

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"The races are usually places to show off the styles and I was surprised to see so many well dressed people. A number of young ladies who were said to be models, wore silver fox furs and there was plenty of style on display. I enclose the official programs, the horses names are not familiar to me, no doubt a great many of them were imported from the United States or bred from United States sires and dams in France, but if imported their names have been changed."

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In his last letter George said he hoped to be home for Old Home Week this year and now it looks as though he may get his wish. We hope so. George wished to be remembered to all his friends and was looking forward to receiving an account of the inter-provincial ice races and other horse news.

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E. LeRoi Willis, Westfield, N. B., sends us a clipping from an English magazine giving an interesting account of the wonder thoroughbred race horse Tetrarch, described by Steve Donoghue, the only jockey who rode him in a race, as an elephant with the speed of a greyhound. In spirit as well as power of speed and stride he was the king of all the race horses before or since. This is unquestioned. An injury cut short his racing career after one all-conquering season as a two-year-old. Valued at $100,000 even though he had to be sent to the stud before he could reveal his full worth he lived until 1935 and included among his progeny such remarkable race animals as Tetratema and Mumtaz Mahal.

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Steve Donaghue, who rode Tetrarch the wonder horse of 1913 in his unbeaten career, passed away in England one week ago. In his long turf career he had won the Derby six times—including three successive victories. Death came at the age of sixty after an illness of only 24 hours. When he retired to become a trainer in 1937 he had in thirty years ridden 1,840 winners. His most outstanding successes were on the Epsom Downs course near London where the Derby is an annual peace time event.

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Race fans agreed no one could negotiate the switchback Epsom course with its counter-clockwise direction and its difficult Tattenham Corner like the little Irish wizard. It was a legend that Steve rode around Tattenham corner with one leg over the inner rail. He was born of Irish parents in Warrington, Lancashire, and became an exercise boy when he was thirteen. He rode his first race at the age of 22 in Phoenix Park, Dublin, and won it. The roar from the race crowds of "Come on, Steve", became a catch word in Britain during his heyday.

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George Loomis, who gave The Great G. his record of 2.02½ and who is well over eighty years of age, has recovered from the accident which put him on the shelf earlier and is now training True Single G., 2.02¼ and the three-year-old trotter Optimist 2, 2.11¼, also Hester Scott 4, and Strong G. 3, non-record pacers.

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The young stallion Whippet, full brother of the world's champion trotter Greyhound 1.55¼, has sired a few foals that are being trained in Florida. These two-year-olds are showing up remarkably well. Whippet is a son of Guy Abbey 2.06¾ and his dam is Elizabeth, dam of Greyhound 1.55¼, Yankee Maid 3, 2.01¾ and five others, in better than 2.10. Elizabeth is by Peter the Great 4, 2.07¼, and her second dam was Zombrewer 2.04¼, also the dam of Peter the Brewer 4, 2.02½. Peter the Brewer is the sire of Calumet Budlong 2.02¾ and of Calumet Adam 1.59¾, the sire of Jollity, 2.05¼.

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Worthy General 2.03 (2.04 over a half-mile track) the fast trotting gelding recently purchased by O. C. Corbeil of Corbeil Motors, Montreal, Que., from E. J. Baker, has arrived and is being much admired by province of Quebec horsemen. He has been trained all Spring at Shelbyville, Indiana, and is ready to go on with. Worthy General is regarded as one of the best fast class trotters in training. He took his record of 2.03 over the mile track in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in 1943 but his most outstanding performance was the winning of the $5,000 stake trot over the Delaware, Ohio, half-mile track last season where he defeated the greatest trotters in the United States including Love Song 1.59, Scotland's Comet 2.00, and others in straight heats, trotting the first heat in 2.04. He also forced Scotland's Comet to lower the trotting track record of the Du Quoin, Illinois, half-mile track to 2.03. Worthy General will be a tough customer for the Quebec trotters and pacers to meet as he can get away very fast and is as steady as a clock. It was Mr. Corbeil who sold the trotter Lee Brewer 2.06¾ (2.07¾ over a half-mile track) to Milton Bell of Charlottetown a year ago.

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Mollie Kalmuck, a four-year-old pacing mare by Kalmuck 2.15½, has been sold by Willard Kelly, Southport, to a party in New Brunswick.

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Cecil Alexander, Saint John, N. B., has purchased R. A. Grattan, 2.09 from an Ontario horseman. This horse had a record of 2.13 in 1943 and reduced it to 2.09 in 1944, his winnings increasing by about $2,000. He raced mostly on U.S.A. tracks. He is eligible to the 2.13 pace.

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When I picked up The Guardian Thursday morning and read of the death on Wednesday of Prof. S. A. Rockford in Port Elgin I was shocked. Only a short time previously we had a long talk and the Professor told of his early days in Boston and how he became connected with race horses. Encouraged, he kept on and spoke of his meeting with the late Walter R. Cox, who was just breaking into the game. Cox had bought a pair of hopples and wasn't familiar with their adjustment. "Rocky" was right at home with this type of racing adjunct and quickly fitted them to Cox's pacer. A friendship was formed that lasted through life. Few men we have met had a better memory than our friend "Rocky" as he was familiarly called by horsemen friends and few had more experience as from a boy of fifteen until his death he followed the trotters and pacers. When he was in the mood he could recall all the great drivers of the past, such as McHenry, Splan, Doble, Geers, Murphy, but his idol was Cox and many were the yarns he could spin about "Long Shot". The Professor knew horses and their breeding as few men do and had in the course of his career driven over hundreds of tracks in the United States and Canada. He created a sensation when on his return to the Maritimes some 24 years ago he pulled off victories in Moncton with the much overloked pacer Corwin Hall, 2.19 1-4. In recent years he raced Alestra, 2.17 1-4, Grattan Queen, 2.12 1-4, Watchim, then just starting his sensational career on Maritime tracks, also many others. He was loyal to his friends of whom he had legion and no race meeting in this city was complete without him as he radiated cheer and entertainment as well as harness horse history that was most interesting. The writer will feel his loss particularly as all through the years we were warm friends. I am sure I echo the sentiments of every Maritime horseman in expressing their deep and sincere sorrow and loving sympathy to his relatives.

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Horsemen all over the Province were grieved to learn of the passing of Mrs. J. Leo Praught of Cherry Valley early this week. Mrs. Praught was a talented woman and took a very keen interest in all her husband's affairs and, being a daughter of John McCabe, was naturally fond of horses and horse racing. Many will remember her cheerful presence and engaging smile and the kind words she had for everyone. In addition to her husband she left to mourn a large family who will miss her daily ministering ways and unvarying kindness.

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It was with deep regret that we learned last Monday evening that our friend William "Bill" Cummings had passed away in the Halifax Infirmary. He had been ill for some time suffering from a heart condition but his death was unexpected. Horsemen who attended the inter-provincial ice races at Halifax and Dartmouth said that Bill while not up to his old form, looked well, so it must have been a great shock to his many friends that the end was so near.

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He was one of the best known trainers of trotters and pacers in the Maritimes and he was also well and favorably known in the United States, particularly in the State of Maine, where he raced in the Free-For-Alls for several years. He was born in Halifax over 64 years ago and as a young man early evidenced a love for horses. After serving an apprenticeship he started out on his own account training and racing horses for A. E. Trites of Salisbury, N. B. He had aptitude and a good pair of hands and the Trites' horses won many races not only in New Brunswick but in Nova Scotia and in the State of Maine.

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Twenty-five years ago when the potato towns of the State of Maine vied with each other in having the fastest pacer Bill was contacted by the Caribou Driving Club of Caribou, Maine, and authorized to purchase a high-class free-for-aller to compete against John R. Braden 2.02½, and others. He visited the Grand Circuit and saw Tommy Murphy win a free-for-all with the Canadian pacer Roy Grattan in 2.01¼. After some dickering he purchased Roy for $8,000, brought him back to Maine where he lost his first free-for-all and won the second, defeating the up to then undefeated John R. Braden in a split heat race. Roy Grattan while very fast, was a poor feeder and unlike John R. Braden, the iron horse from Tennessee, could not be given gruelling races week after week. Sometimes he was started against Bill's judgment and then was a loser.

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Another horse he trained and raced in Maine was Colonel Bidwell 2.04, that was sensational over the Bay State circuit for several years. When bad years hit the potato state free for all racing went out and Bill returned to Halifax where he trained a stable for Alderman Frank Adams. Among those we remember were Jean Bingen 2.14¼, Paddy Axworthy, Princess Aubrey 2.16¼, Vera Grattan 2.13¼, V. Peters 2.17½, Eliza Todd 2.18½, Beaton Grattan 2.12¼, Dustless Grattan 2.14¼, Edna Grattan 2.17½, to mention only a few.

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For Harry Breen he raced Sully 2.08¼, and Star G. 2.09. For Hedley T. Fulton he trained and raced several that made the headlines including the trotter High Toby that he won a match race with over the Halifax Speedway in 2.08¼, which is the track trotting record for that oval. That was in 1936. Bill retired from the sport in 1939. As a trainer and driver he was among the best and was well liked by his fellow drivers and by his employers. It seems hard to realize that the genial Bill will not be with us again. We had hoped to see him over here to our Old Home Week, in fact he promised the boys he would be here. To his brother, Edward, residing at Spring Garden Road, and to other members of the family we express not only our personal regret but that of our Prince Edward Island horsemen at the passing of one who was esteemed very highly here.

Winners Go On Scoring Rampage To Set Local Collegians Back 13-3

Coming from behind a two goal lead that their opponents had built up with less than four minutes of the game gone to take a 4-2 lead before the first session had ended, and then continuing it in the next two periods, Flying Officer Cotie's Summerside Flyers last night captured the City Hockey League championship, when they came through with a convincing 13-3 victory over the Collegians. It was Flyers' third victory of the best out of five series with the losers' only win coming in the second game of the series.

As another capacity crowd looked on the Collegians in the first few minutes of play looked as if they would force the series to a fifth game with their two fast goals in the matter of 33 seconds but then the steam-roller offensive of the visitors started getting underway. Before the session had ended they shot four counters without a return; three more in the sandwich session gave them a 7-2 lead and as the Collegians went all out in the windup period Summerside punched through for a half dozen more goals with the losers accounting for their third goal four minutes before the game ended.

It was a surprising ending to what had been a red hot series but Summerside using their weight with telling effect from the opening whistle on gradually wore the lighter Collegians down and were in complete control in the final stages of the encounter.

Bower, Winn, MacPherson, Midghall and Evans led the scoring outburst for the winners accounting for a brace of goals apiece with the others going to Lefebvre, Walker and Kerr. MacDougall, Beck and Dowling accounted for the trio of goals shot by the Collegians.

Lineups:

S'Side— Goal, Nixon; defence, Miller, McPherson, McDivitt, McCaig; forwards, Evans, Kerr, Winn, Midghall, Walker, Bower, Lefebvre, Chouinard, Gauthier.

Collegians— Goal, Proude; defence, McAdam, Hennessey, MacDonald; forwards, Nicolle, Robertson, Blanchard, MacDougall, Larue, Richard, Beck, Dowling, Murphy, Irvine, Quigley.

Referees: Cameron, Lawlor, Savario.

SUMMARY
1st. Period

1. Collegians, MacDougall (Richard, Larue) 2.50
2. Collegians, Beck (MacDougall) 3.23
3. S'Side Lefebvre 5.34
4. S'Side, Bower (Walker) 9.36
5. S'Side, Winn (Evans) 13.43
6. S'Side, MacPherson (Miller) 15.50

Penalty: Chouinard (10 min. misconduct)

2nd. Period

7. S'Side, MacPherson (Walker) 12.01
8. S'Side, Midghall (Walker) 16.45
9. S'Side Walker, (Bower) 17.15

Penalties: Midghall, MacDonald)

3rd. Period

10. S'Side, Evans 7.56
11. S'Side, Evans 9.11
12. S'Side, Winn 9.36
13. S'Side, Midghall (Walker) 11.00
14. S'Side Bower 11.48
15. Collegians, Dowling (Beck) 15.55
16. S'Side, Kerr (Evans) 16.06

Penalties: Kerr, McAdam.

Canadiens Lessen Gap

MONTREAL, March 30, (CP) — Fighting on the edge of elimination, Montreal Canadiens hit their top form here last night to ride to a 10–3 victory over Toronto Maple Leafs and force at least one more game in their eight point semi-final series.

The Leafs still lead the series six points to four, but if Canadiens can display tonight's form in the Saturday night game at Toronto they will tie things up and make a deciding game necessary back here next Tuesday.

A crowd of 12,300 saw the Canucks ahead 3-2 in the first after the Leafs had cut down an early lead by scoring twice while Butch Stahan was serving a penalty.

SUMMARY
1st Period

1—Montreal, Lamoureux (Lach) .40.
2—Montreal, Bouchard, 3.06.
3—Montreal, Emberg (Hiller) 6.02
4—Toronto, Carr, 7.37
5—Toronto, Kennedy (Hill) 8.10.
Penalties: Richard, Stahan, Hill

2nd Period

6—Montreal, Harmon 6.36.
7—Toronto, Morris 12.46.
8—Montreal, Richard (Lach) 13.26
Penalties:None.

3rd Period

9—Montreal, Richard (Blake, Lach) 1.10.
10—Montreal, Lach (Richard, Bouchard) 1.35.
11—Montreal, Richard (Blake) 10.48
12—Montreal, Richard 15.03.
13—Montreal, Filion (Stahan, Getliffe) 19.06.
Penalty: Harmon.

Detroit Wins 3-2 In Overtime Period

DETROIT, Mich., March 30 — (CP) — Modere Bruneteau's 15-foot drive from left wing after 17 minutes 12 seconds of overtime play gave the Detroit Red Wings a 3-2 victory over the Boston Bruins before 12,512 fans Thursday night and sent the Wings into a 3-2 lead in games in the first-round National Hockey League playoffs.

SUMMARY
1st Period

1—Detroit, M. Bruneteau (Liscombe, Carveth) 2.51.
2—Boston, Cain (Cowley) 11.52.
3—Detroit, Hollett (Bukovich, Purpur) 14.41.
Penalties: Egan, Gaudreault, Hollett.

2nd Period

Scoring: None.
Penalties: None.

3rd Period

4—Boston, Jennings(Cain)
Penalty: Lindsay.

Overtime Period

5—Detroit, M. Bruneteau (Hollett, Carveth) 17.12.
Penalty: Thomas.

Halifax Juveniles To Meet Canadians

HALIFAX, March 30 — Halifax St. Mary's captured the Nova Scotia Juvenile hockey championship at the Shirley street Arena last night defeating the Glace Bay team by a 9-6 score. Having won the first game 14-4 at Glace Bay the Halifax team swept the total goal series by a count of 23-10, Glace Bay then making the best showing this season against the crack St. Mary's team.

(St. Mary's now meet Juvenile Canadiens for the Maritime title.)

IN THIS CORNER

Appearance here of the Cornwallis team next Thursday night has local fans all agog and much conjecture is being expressed as to just how the All Star team picked from the City League will fare against the strong, well-balanced Navy outfit from Nova Scotia sprinkled as their lineup is with former stars of the National Hockey League.

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It is quite probable that Cornwallis will enter the game as strong favorites to come through with a victory but the strength nevertheless of the team that will be sent against them cannot be underrated too much for local hockeyists against New Glasgow Bombers on Wednesday night proved that the brand of hockey that was played here all winter was far better than a good many of the fans thought.

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But irrespective of who is returned the winner the biggest crowd of the season and that will mean an overflow crowd should be on hand for the encounter. For the benefit of the Red Cross those attending will be helping out a very worthy cause and in addition will be privileged of witnessing the most talked of team in the Maritimes in action.

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News of the death of Jack Crockett of the R.C.N. comes as a great shock to the boy's many friends here in Charlottetown where he was known for his keen following of sport and where also he gave signs of developing into a smart hockey player in appearances he made here.

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Jack developing into a big boy since his entrance into the Navy was one of the most likable youngsters that this writer had the privilege of knowing. There always was a smile no matter how tough the going was and it was just this year that we had the privilege of watching him perform with the Navy team of the City Hockey League while home on leave.

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Little did we dream then that Jack was making his final hockey appearance but that is the way that things turned out for him and to his sorrowing relatives we offer our sincere sympathy in the great loss they sustained in Jack's early summons.

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Summerside Flyers hitting on all cylinders once they had overcome the early two goal deficit they faced proved too much for the young Collegians in Thursday night's City Hockey league final and to Flying Officer Cotie's squad congratulations are in order for their well-deserved march to the title.

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Although hardly one of the big crowd of fans that were in attendance dreamt that they would put on such a convincing show of power to take the play away from Johnny Squarebrigg's team nevertheless it is a fact that the youngsters were soundly beaten by what proved to be a better team.

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But while Collegians are now out of the picture fans who saw them perform all season long can do nothing else but extol the team for the fighting spirit and good hockey also that they displayed on every appearance.

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Seldom if ever have we watched a team with so much fight and spirit as the Squarebriggs-coached crew offered to their supporters. Pitted against bigger, more experienced opoponents they never knew when they were licked and they kept this up right to their final fadeout Thursday night.

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From the end of the second period Thursday night Summerside had the game stowed away and the title wrapped up but they were forced to face a team still full of fight right to the final whistle and by that time it was a hopeless task.

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So while Summerside are entirely deserving of the plaudits so also are Collegians for the game fight they put up, and Coach Johnny Squarebriggs should also come in for his share of praise for the fine coaching job he has performed with the band of kids that he took under his guidance at the start of the season.

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THE HUNTERS' CORNER

This past week the wild music of Canada geese, music that stirs the pulse of the old gunners and nature lovers alike, has echoed along our shores and across farmlands as squadron after squadron of the big black and white honkers have settled to rest and 'bunker' up on the first leg of the annual spring migration northward.

Its too early yet to estimate the size of the flight, or to make comparisons with last spring, but several thousand geese have already made their appearance south and east of the Hillsboro River. The flight should be over, at least all the birds should have arrived by the first week in April. The laying birds begin to move off after April 20th and by May 1st the birds are noticeably scarcer. Many of the younger geese linger on until as late as May 20th, and sometimes later than that, as they are 3 years old before they assume the responsibilities of family life.

We may expect some rough weather during the month of April, but Spring has undoubtedly emerged from around the corner. Robins have been present in numbers for two weeks and Bronze grackles were first observed on March 26th. Those garrulous rascals seldom make a mistake and when they arrive from the south it may be assumed that the back of the winter is broken. Hungarian partridge are pairing off and the first Woodcock was heard giving his flight song on March 28th.

March 31st saw the end of the trapping season on mink and muskrat until next November 1st. It would be a good idea for trappers to get their late caught pelts cured and off their hands as soon as possible after April 1st. With the exception of mink, which was in big demand, the prices obtained for furs did not measure up to the standard set last season. Red fox in particular took a big slump showing a 50 percent drop in some cases, and with an apparent tendency to drop still lower. Notwithstanding the low prices they were hunted persistently all through the season, as it's considered quite an honour to outwit a crafty old Red fox.

Fox hunting with hounds, a grand sport in the good old days 35 or 40 years ago, is again coming into its own. Some good hounds are in the making but they'll have to be good to measure up the record of the old timers. 35 years ago there was Dixie, a hound owned by the Jenkins sporting fraternity of Mount Albion and Seal River. Old Dixie stuck to the trail of a fox just like mucilage and many a crafty old Red made his last run ahead of the old white and tan. The men who ran Dixie were hard shots and a fox who crossed their bows had less than a 10 to 1 chance of getting away. Sometimes a miss was scored and when nightfall came old Dixie would be still on the trail. When taken off it took the efforts of two men to drag him to the sleigh. Records show that one winter evening with the shades of night falling rapidly the hunting party were homeward bound., and empty handed after having to manhandle the old hound off the trail. Dixie suddenly sprang from the sleigh and started a fox from a small bush within 50 yards of the hunters. Within 15 minutes the fox was in the bag. Only then, and not till then, was the old hound content to curl up under the buffalo robes and go to sleep.

Peter Vessey, Charlottetown, was another old time fox hunter, who had a hound hard to beat. Harvey Trenholm, Muddy Creek in Prince County ran fox hounds in the old days and Fred McAusland, Wellington, also a western Prince county hunter, tacked many a red fox pelt on the stretching board that were shot by him over his noted hound.

Of the present generation of fox hounds, Buddy, a two year old black and tan raised by Willard Kelly, Southport, is the up and coming hound to date. He had 14 reds shot ahead of him last season. Two hounds owned by Ed Wood and Gordon Brown, Pownal, are credited with 11 foxes last year, 10 reds and one patch. If a hound has the nose and the brains to stay with a fox for 20 minutes or a half hour after he starts him his chances for staying on the trail are good. After a fox gets warmed up he throws that much more scent and makes running conditions easier for the dog. Buddy is owned by Robert Jenkins, Mount Albion, who bought him as a pup and trained him until he has reached his present stage of perfection.

Two Charlottetown sportsmen have been trying to break into the fox hunting game but have had difficulty in procuring good hounds One hound imported from Ottawa, Ontario, gave promise of having all the qualities a fox hunter could desire. He had a good nose, speed and a pleasing tongue. On his first workout he was giving a fox a merry run for his money but at the report of the shotgun the hound sudenly remembered he had more pressing business elsewhere. He went in one direction and the fox (which was missed) in another. The hound was located a week later 15 miles away. His sojourn in the province was of short duration. After many tries they now have a promising pup. All this pup needs is some training and experience. At the present time he doesn't know what its all about and his owners are not in a position to improve his education. He was tried out last fall on a fox that had escaped from a ranch. After he had chased the fox for about an hour, the fox got tired of the game and turned and chased the hound. Then, after the hound got fed up with being run around he reversed gears and gave the fox a chase. The zig zag hunt ended in a draw.

Speaking of hounds reminds the writer of a famous pack in the Old Country. No hounds but those of the masculine gender were allowed in this pack. After two years of successful fox hunting a member of the Hunt decided he'd like to try out a Lady hound to see how she would stack up with the dogs of this Internationally known pack. One fine morning, just as the Hunt started and unknown to the Master of the Hunt, he let Lady go the moment a fox was started and the chase was on. Despite fast horses it was not long till the members inquired of a puzzled looking Irishman if he had seen a pack of hounds pass that way. The Irishman scratched his head in bewilderment: "Faith and I have, and I've seen many a Hunt in me day, but begorra its the first time I ever saw a fox running fourth."

10-3 Victory Big Uplift To Canucks; Eddolls May Return To Defence Post

MONTREAL, March 30 — (CP) —Montreal Canadiens, their spirits considerably uplifted by last night's 10–3 victory, set out for Toronto tonight, where the Maple Leafs were awaiting them for the sixth game of their Stanley Cup semi-final series.

The Canucks hopes also were brightened by the probability that Frankie Eddolls would be back on defence for the Saturday night game. Eddolls played the first two games of the series, but was below par with a bad ankle, and he was replaced by Frank Stahan of Montreal Royals in succeeding contests.

If Canadiens can duplicate their performance of last night when they play in Toronto tomorrow, they can force a deciding contest back here next Tuesday, with the series tied up at three games—six points—apiece. If Leafs win tomorrow they will reach the required eight points and will advance to the finals against the Boston–Detroit winners.

It was not definitely decided tonight whether Canadiens would have the services of Nil Tremblay and Eddie Emberg of Quebec Aces. The two played here Thursday replacing the injured Buddy O'Connor and Fern Gauthier, and both turned in sparkling performances. O'Connor is probably out for the rest of the season, but Gauthier is expected to get back into action in later games — if there are any such for Canadiens.

Leafs In Workout

TORONTO, March 30 — (CP) — Their spirits quenched only slight by a 10-3 whipping from Montreal Canadiens, Toronto Maple Leafs returned from Montreal today and held a brisk workout in preparation for their meeting with the National Hockey League champions tomorrow in the sixth game of their eight-point Stanley Cup semi-final play-off.

With three victories to Montreal's two, the Leafs hold a two-point lead in the series and need only one more victory to enter the Stanley Cup final against the winner of the Detroit–Boston series in which the Red Wings hold a similar lead.

Coach Clarence (Hap) Day offered two possible explanations of the Montreal deluge. "Either some of our boys played themselves out in the terrific offensive we put on in Tuesday night's game or else some weren't playing as well as they might." he said. "I really think some of the older fellows were tired out. It was the younger players who showed up best in Montreal last night.

"I don't know what changes I could make," he said. There is a dim prospect that forward Nick Metz, injured last Saturday night, may be ready for action but the Toronto coach said he wasn't counting on it much as he would like to have the tireless veteran available.

The Canadiens won't arrive in Toronto until tomorrow. But reports from Montreal indicate that Coach Dick Irvin expects they will continue to roll in high gear and sweep the series. So far Montreal has scored 19 goals to 12 for the Leafs.

Baksi Wins

NEW YORK, March 30 — (AP) —Joe Baksi, a 14 to 5 favorite, knocked Lou Nova down for a nine count in the fourth round and staggered him in several other rounds to a win a unanimous 10-round decision over the Alameda, Cal., heavyweight before 14,394 fans at Madison Square Garden tonight.

Baksi's savage attack in the last two rounds, when he opened a bad cut over Nova's right eye, won him the decision.

This came after Nova had apparently wiped out the disadvantage of going down in the fourth and pulled up to where, if he took the last two rounds, he might win.

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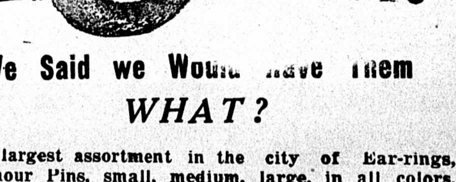

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