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DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

A lot of the boys are eyeing Great George Street anxiously these days and felt quite a bit peeved when the rain came on Wednesday and took away the snow. There was a look of disappointment which it had remained with the addition of some more snow, would have made a real speedway for Christmas afternoon. As long as I can remember Christmas and New Year's have been celebrated on Great George Street with friendly dashes in the afternoons. Not so much in recent years because there are not so many horses kept by citizens or those from the surrounding parts, but back twenty years ago it was fascinating to watch the steppers going up and down, and one would wonder and expect to see a smashup every minute, but it very seldom occurred.

Streets on each side would be lined with spectators who took a keen delight in seeing their favorites lead the parade. The horses seemed to enjoy it too, as they would race like fury until they came close to Great George Street and then would chap a bit too anxious to win. One chap, a bit too anxious to win, went clean through Queen square, but miraculously escaped a smashup.

I wonder if the Victoria Driving Club could not revive the Victoria Park Speedway this winter? It would give those having horses a chance to drive them and brush them a bit without the danger that accompanies driving on any of the streets where the cars are used. By a little effort it might be possible to get the city fathers to give the horsemen the privilege which they enjoyed years ago of unmolested use of it.

Billy Swannmore 2-04, whose name was on every horseman's lips three years ago, was ordered destroyed by his owner J. Howard Beaman, Harrison, Maine. Report says he developed a form of rheumatism the latter part of the season. The writer believes that it was laminitis, easily mistaken for rheumatism.

The picture that W. C. Crummer and G. W. Tramp (p) 2-02, (l) 2-04 1-4 will be seen in is "The Jones Family at the County Fair." It is being filmed by the 20th Century Fox Studios, partly at Pomona, California and partly at Hollywood. Mr. Crummer has just purchased from A. Edstrom, Oakland, a two year old trotting filly that is said to have all the earmarks of greatness. Let us hope that she will be a worthy successor to the old war horse, Guy the Tramp.

"Doc" Vail, a native of Ohio, is training for Miss Susannah Perry, a very wealthy lady of Menlo Park, California. "Doc" has a real fine filly of it now, with a string of good horses and plenty of high class help. This will be good news to Miss Perry, who was quite a heart of "Doc's" when he spent the season of 1928-29 at Toronto and Mount Clemens, Michigan.

In the list of new 210 trotters compiled by L. G. Duffy of The Harness Horse, there are over 200 names representing the crop of 1936. The only Maritime Province name to appear in the list is Silk duff, described as a grey mare, six years old by Oh Boy 2-00 3-4, dam Miss Ophelia Silk by Bingen Silk 1-7 1-4. Her new record was taken at the first heat of the 215 trot at Charlottetown, August 21st. She was driven by Frank Boutlier, Halifax, and owned by F. J. Murphy of the same city.

Almost every boat leaving New York for Europe has on board one or more record race stallions or mares assigned to parties in Holland, Belgium, Germany, Austria.

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Hockey Seen As Profitable Profession

BY SCOTTY RESTON
Associated Press Sports Writer
NEW YORK, Dec. 18—(AP)—Lester Patrick, silver-haired president and manager of New York Rangers, recommended hockey today as "the most promising sports business and profession in North America."

As a profession, he pointed out: "The average big league hockey player lasts 10 years. If he's a top-notch, he'll make around \$10,000 a year and he plays for only 4 1-2 months each year. There's no minimum salary in our league, but the average is \$4,500. "Anybody who gets into it now as a player has a great chance because the demand for men who know the game is going to be great in the future."

As a business, he says: "Hockey has been the most consistent money maker of any sport in New York. In the last few years, the promoters of boxing, for example, have taken a beating. Here in Madison Square Garden, hockey has been the biggest money-maker."

At present, a rule on the books of the National League limits the direct salary of players to \$7,000, but there are ways of getting more. Patrick estimated that Ching Johnson, former Ranger defenceman, has saved \$100,000 out of his hockey earnings, and Eddie Shore of Boston Bruins is said to have laid away around \$150,000.

Top-salaried men in the game today include Shore, Sweeney Schirmer and Art Chapman, New York Americans; Charlie Conacher, Toronto Maple Leafs; Eddie Goodfellow, Norm Smith and Herb Lewis, Detroit Red Wings, and Paul Thompson, Chicago Black Hawks.

Andy Tommy Honoured By Colleagues

OTTAWA, Dec. 18—(CP)—Andy Tommy, fleet half line star of Ottawa Rough Riders, 1936 Big Four football champions, was honored today by his associates in the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The former Woodstock, N. B., boy was presented with an engraved pocket watch and chain and with a number of gold pieces.

Birthday Greetings

(By The Canadian Press)
To Gabby Hartnett, first string catcher of Chicago Cubs in the National League, born in Woonsocket, R. I., 36 years ago tomorrow. Gabby started his baseball career with the Woonsocket club of the Eastern League but spent only one season with the minor league team. He was promoted to the Cubs in 1922 and has been with them ever since. Last year was his best batting season. He had an average of .344. His major league average for 14 years is .295.

trucks belonging to the National Trotting Association, and a letter or telegram to him brings almost an instant reply. He paid one visit to Prince Edward Island—I think it was in February, 1922—and was given a great reception, in fact he was so impressed that he has never ceased to talk about the wonderful little island and its people.

It is stated in Webster's Dictionary that a sulky was so-called from the owner's desire to ride alone. There is also a legend that a woman named the vehicle with the comment that only a "sulky man" would use it. A sulky is defined as a light two-wheeled carriage for a single person. When this definition was written the vehicle had heavy wooden wheels with broad tires strong enough to be used over any kind of roads, and a straight iron axle to which springs were attached. The former was bolted to the tops of the springs and the seat had four supports which were attached to the frame. The driver kept his place by bracing his feet against a stout cross bar. When it began to appear on the race tracks, stirrups were used. Strength was the most important item.

Junior Rangers Show Class In Defeating The Senior Abegweits 5-4

Gaining momentum with every game Junior Rangers last night set Hal Gross' Abbies back on their heels when they trounced the seniors 5-4 in a wide open hockey battle. Grabbing the lead in the first minute of the first period Rangers showed definite superiority in the first two sessions to build up a 4-1 lead. They staggered slightly in the final frame before terrific Abbie onslaughts but managed to hold their lead in the final five minutes to skate off the ice with a well-deserved victory.

It was a surprising win for the youthful crew of Rangers but nevertheless one that a small crowd relished in. Showing the same smooth passing attack inside their opponents' blue line and handing out bump for bump when the going got rugged the winners battled the seniors to a standstill. There was no denying them once they had grabbed that early lead although at times in the third period the Abbies rapidly gaining the upper hand made things mighty hot for them.

Alison McAleer, subbing in the Ranger net for Gordon DeBlois, who is ill, gave a great performance and is the second midget player within a week to display his ability in great fashion.

"Tarky" Whitlock shot two goals in the first eleven minutes of the first period to send the winners off on the right foot. The clever centre got the first on assists from McAleer and Ab McKinnon, while the look Woods pass for the second. A Stewart to Pud Whitlock play at the eighteen minute mark saw the Abbies break their gooselong, but less than a minute later Rangers got that one back

Canadian Sectional Lead At Stake In Four N.H.L. Games During The Week-end

MONTREAL, Dec. 18—(CP)—Canadian sectional leadership in the National Hockey League will be at stake in four week-end games. Canadians of Montreal are out in front now but they can lose that leadership if Red Dutton's New York Americans can win two straight. That is, provided Canadians drop both their week-end games against New York Rangers. Les Habitant's play Rangers here Saturday night and jump to New York for the second Sunday. Amerks play the Leafs at Toronto Saturday and then hop over to Chicago for Sunday night's meeting with the Black Hawks.

Elm Adds To Lead In Golf Tournament

GLENDALE, Calif., Dec. 18—(AP)—Turning in his second sub-par round, George Von Elm of Hollywood, former United States amateur golf champion, took a two-stroke lead over Olin Dutra, ex-open king, at the close of the second round of the \$1,500 Southern California Open today.

Von Elm rang up a 68, four under par, for a 36-hole score of 137. Dutra, Los Angeles pro, lost a ball and took a seven on the three-par fifth, but finished with a 71 for a 139.

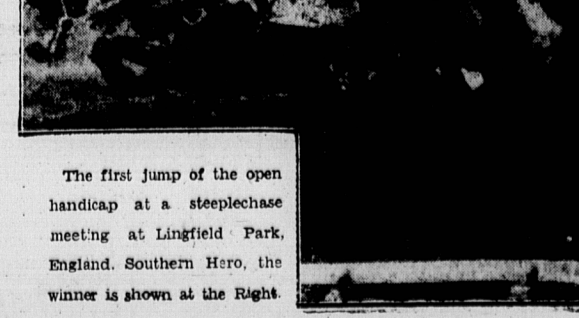
Willie Hunter, veteran Scot stylist who shot 67 yesterday, posted 73 for 140.

take care of the extra travel. Trains were particularly heavy today with college students returning to their homes for the Christmas holidays. Passenger travel will probably reach its peak on Tuesday next.

From the express traffic passing through it would appear that the sled still holds a prominent place among the gifts from Santa Claus. In practically every load were to be seen numerous sleds with toboggans running a close second.

SANTA CLAUS AS USUAL

"Santa Claus is comin' around as usual in December," said Uncle Eben, "tryin' to bring along enough good cheer to beat de tax collector."



The first jump of the open handicap at a steeplechase meeting at Lingfield Park, England. Southern Hero, the winner is shown at the right.

Schmeling Is Credited With Greatest Upset

(A. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)
NEW YORK, Dec. 18—Joe Louis who was the experts' best friend a year ago because he never let them down, was set down by those same fellows as being the party of the second part of the greatest sports upset of 1936.

Max Schmeling's knockout of the erstwhile ebony executioner was rated by a majority of United States sports writers as the most startling result of the year, far and away surpassing anything that happened on the country's gridirons. Thus, Schmeling received his second laurel wreath of The Associated Press' sixth annual poll. Yesterday he was acclaimed the year's comeback king.

Football, as usual, dominated the dope-spilling incidents. Duquesne's moleskin marauders were the leading upsets. The Duke's 7-0 conquest of Pittsburgh Panthers was rated behind Minnesota's 6-0 defeat by Northwestern in what was the Gopher's first loss in four years, but Duquesne also received dubious recognition for its 2-0 defeat a week later by West Virginia Wesleyan.

Albany Club Sought By The Giants

(A. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)
NEW YORK, Dec. 18—Transfer of the Albany Club of the International League to a New York Giant farm in Jersey City neared the big baseball moving van today.

Except for dickering over the purchase price between owner Joe Cambria and Horace Stoneham, President of the Giants, details of the negotiations were virtually complete. Joe Cambria, president of the Albany Club, was quoted as offering the Albany franchise for \$25,000 during the recent baseball meetings.

Will Probably Not Trade Dean

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18—Branch Rickey, general manager of St. Louis Cardinals, said today Dizzy Dean, ace pitcher, probably would not be traded.

Rickey, who sought to peddle the eccentric hurler for a small fortune in cash and almost a complete baseball team, quickly added that didn't mean he was going to quit trying. It was just that no one seemed willing to pay the price.

Paul Dean, younger brother of Dizzy, ineffective most of last season because of a sore arm, is not being counted on.

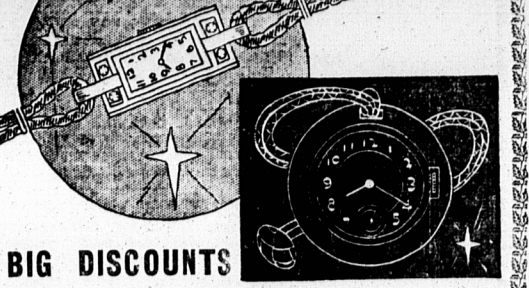
"We can't tell anything about a him until spring training camp," Rickey said.

Pastor K.O.'s Impellitiere

NEW YORK, Dec. 18—A modern "ack the Giant Killer" turned up tonight when Bob Pastor, former New York University heavyweight star, knocked out the gigantic Ray Impellitiere of Cold Springs, N. Y., in the seventh round of their 10-round bout in Madison Square Garden.

Impellitiere scaled 238 pounds to Pastor's 183 1-4.

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Hopes To Win Speed-skating Championship

(A. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)
SARANAC LAKE, N. Y., Dec. 18—Seventeen-year-old Janet Milne said today she hoped to win the North American women's speed skating championship by climbing mountains.

The attractive Saranac Lake high school student, for whom experts have predicted a brilliant future, looked ahead to a winter of competition among America's best women speed skaters, climaxed by the North American.

"If I win anything of importance," she said, "it will be because of the training program I carried out during this past summer."

Her training program, built around the mountain climbing to toughen her leg muscles and increase her "wind" and stamina, also included bicycle riding, boxing, and "punching the bag."

Her head coach is her father, Ralph Milne, a former amateur skater of note.

May Match Louis And Rosenbloom

(A. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)
NEW YORK, Dec. 18—Mike Jacobs, head of the 20th Century Sporting Club, will fly to Los Angeles Tuesday to negotiate for a February bout between Joe Louis and Maxie Rosenbloom, former light heavyweight boxing champion. Tom Gallery, coast promoter has offered Louis a guarantee of \$100,000.

Jacobs said he expected to close for a Garden fight for Louis in January before leaving for the coast. The bomber's opponent may be the winner of tonight's Bob Pastor-Ray Impellitiere contest.

HOLY NAME BOXING

Big Four League
FIVE ACES:—
G. McDonald 209 271 214
J. Callaghan 182 214 211
F. Tierney 228 209 187
H. Craswell 176 342 237
R. McCabe 269 219 317
Total—3475.

PRINCE GROCERY:
R. Bradley 162 142 154
F. Johnston 185 234 221
A. Burke 332 269 209
J. Cameron 197 164 244
C. Praught 201 253 207
Total—3271

High single, Harry Craswell, 342
High three, Alton Burke, 810.
Starting Monday, Dec. 21st, and continuing until Dec. 26th, prizes of turkeys will be given away for the highest single scores for both ladies and gentlemen. Also special prizes will be awarded from under a sealed score sheet for both sexes. The scores are running high this week on the goose, duck, and turkey luck.

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE
LAUNDRY CLINKERS:
W. Young 197 233 15
H. McDonald 192 132 15
J. Poirier 152 177 16
L. Brown 178 216 18
G. Doucette 175 216 19
Total—2787

STYLE MARTS:
B. Hennessey 256 178 20
B. Connolly 142 229 21
F. Blocombe 201 237 18
D. McDonald 276 170 24
A. Kelly 164 129 15
Total—2977
High single, Dan McDonald, 276
High three, Dan McDonald, 962