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Lively Discussion At Annual Meeting Of Harness Racing Club

The annual meeting of the Prince Edward Island Harness Racing Club took place in the City Hall last evening. There was a large attendance of horsemen from various parts of the Province and the interest taken was the greatest in years. Lt.-Col. J. P. Hooper, M.C., occupied the chair and among those present were Stanley Murray, Aubrey MacPhail, Ted Hynes, Allison Carr, H. Stead, George Sobey, W. R. Godfrey, Sterling Willis, Harold Cudmore, James Power, Orwell Morrissey, Frank Acorn, Allison MacLeod, Alex. Boudreau, Art Bryenton, Lem Neill, J. Leo Praught, Henry Peters, Robert Dewar, Walter Goss, Col. D. A. MacKinnon, W. G. Gillespie, Wendell Beaton, Dr. Temple Hooper, G. A. Calbeck, Willard Kelly, Dr. George Bishop, George McIntyre, George A. Hughes, George Gregory, Roy Bevis, Dr. R. F. Seaman, Don Seaman, Frank McKay, Charles Willis, Alex. Agnew, W. Morrissey, Elwood Shaw, P. McTague, Hugh Walker, Frank Glover, John Walker, Byron Brown, Roland MacDonald, P. R. McAlpine, Dr. H. McIntyre, A. G. Cutcliffe, Ben Newsome, E. W. D. K. MacLeod and Claude MacMillan.

The president, Col. Hooper read his address which appeared below and on motion it was adopted. The secretary-treasurer's report was read by W. G. Gillespie and it also was adopted.

Discuss Futurities

A discussion which lasted almost two hours, then took place regarding the futurities and was finally decided by a standing vote being taken. But before that arrangements were made to conditions for the colts race:

1. That only one entry blank be used.
2. That March 1 be the date for the first payment on the stakes and the sum paid to be \$5. A second payment of \$10 to be made in June 1 when the colts must be named and finally the starting fee of \$10 to be paid 20 days before the race.

Arrangements for the racing of the futurities this season, that is at what track they are to be raced and on what basis, was left to the directors. A lot of discussion took place regarding the racing of two-year-olds. Some thought the practice was harmful and resulted in the breaking down of a great many otherwise good race horses. Those in favor of the juveniles being raced were equally strong with their arguments, pointing to such good specimens as Rosalie Hooper, Billy McVeigh and many others.

Many resolutions were proposed but finally George's to bring out which was as follows, was adopted by a standing vote which carried with it a majority of the members present. It was that this club sponsor two futurities, namely a three-year-old trot futurity and a three-year-old pace futurity. This will mean that only two classes of futurities will be raced in 1949 and that there will be no two-year-old futurity or four-year-old futurity events.

Those that voted for the motion believed that the extra year given the two-year-olds to develop will result in greater physical strength, soundness and ability to stand training.

The separate classes for the three-year-old trotters and three-year-old pacers will be an encouragement, they believe, for owners and trainers to bring out more trotters. It was stated that there is a great demand for trotters that can perform in 2:15 to 2:22 to race in the State of Maine and this is shown by the success which Bud Kalmuck is having there the past couple of weeks.

The election of directors resulted in George A. Calbeck, Willard Kelly and Col. J. P. Hooper being again called on for services. The remaining directors of the association whose terms had not expired are: Harold Stead, Myron MacArthur, Dr. R. F. Seaman, George McIntyre and Frank McKay.

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Strong City Hockey League Is Expected

With the opening of the National Hockey League and the Maritime Big Four this week, interest in the City Hockey League is rapidly being aroused. This league in the past, has provided many thrilling contests for Charlottetown hockey fans and there is every expectation of four well-balanced teams battling the year for the championship of the League and the Dr. P.C. Dougan Trophy now held by the St. Dunstan's University team. The Saints are expected to ice a strong team again this year but the other entrants, Summerside, Prince of Wales College, and the Navy are already lining up their players with the object of coping league honors.

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Stengel Returns As Manager Of New York Yankees

NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (AP)— Casey Stengel today returned to the majors as manager of the New York Yankees for the next two years.

Fresh from a pennant and playoff victory with Oakland of the Pacific Coast League, Stengel flew in for a conference with Yankee officials last night that won for him one of the most coveted jobs in baseball.

No salary terms were announced by president Dan Topping but it was understood that Casey will be paid about \$25,000 a year under a two-year contract.

Stengel, freed by president Clarence (Buck) Laws of the Oakland Club to negotiate with the Yankees, said he had not made a decision on his coaches, George Kelly, who worked under Johnny Neun and Bucky Walters at Cincinnati, and Neun were believed to be in line.

"The owners have promised to back me up," said Stengel in a press conference shortly after Topping announced his new manager. "I'll see what I need but I plan to go slow. You can tear a club down a lot faster than you can build it up."

The man who once was paid a year's salary for not managing the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1937 said he was not approached by the Yankees until Sunday night when he received a phone call from Topping and general manager George Weiss, who were attending the World Series at Cleveland.

Indians Given Welcome Home

CLEVELAND, Oct. 12 (AP)— Cleveland's World Series champions received a thunderous welcome home from the baseball fans today as an estimated 200,000 people welcomed themselves hoarse in demonstration unsurpassed in the city's history.

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Winnipeg Royals Win Legion Trophy

The Winnipeg Royals defeated the Sea Cow Pond nine 10-7, on Sunday to take the best of three series, 2 games to 1, and the Legion Trophy.

Up to the eighth inning it was anybody's game and as usual the breaks decided the winner. With the game all tied up 7-7 at the close of the eighth inning, Bernard of the Royals got a life on Gavin's error, stole second, and advanced to third on Callaghan's single. Bernard faked to steal home and Callaghan broke for second. Max McInnis, who had pitched third on ball for Sea Cow Pond, threw over the second baseman's head into centre field. Bernard scored from third to break the tie and which turned out to be the winning run. Two more runs scored by Callaghan and Husler, before the side was finally retired.

The Royals went into the first of the ninth leading by a score of 10-7. Bernard, again, who had relieved Ellsworth on the mound for the Royals allowed only three batters to face him. Rodney McInnis struck out, Cletus Gavin had hit right back to the pitcher for three outs and on Wilson Shea drove a line drive to Ellsworth on first to end the game.

After the game, the League President, Walter Bernard presented the trophy to the winning team, captain of the Royals and congratulated him on his team's victory.

Both of these teams are very worthy of congratulations. Especially the Royals, who had a great number of players. Bernard of Minnigash and Gregory McInnis of Sea Cow Pond. These two men in their respective rural districts have gathered together their young men and through their efforts have had a team that has done so well. Though they did receive a little help from the Physical Fitness and Legion they can take most of the credit for themselves. They are really a credit to their respective districts and are pioneers in introducing baseball in the rural centres at this end of the Island.

New Big Four Hockey League Entries In Practice

HALIFAX, Oct. 12 (CP)— Halifax St. Mary's and Dartmouth Arrows, the two new entries in the Maritime Senior Hockey League, held their first practice sessions today to herald opening of the hockey season just one day after two Maritime baseball titles came to Halifax.

St. Mary's worked out early this afternoon and tonight Arrows went through their opening class in preparation for their opening clash here Monday. Moncton Hawks and Saint John Beavers open their game schedule in Moncton Saturday night.

Handling St. Mary's was ex-Montréal Maroon Dave Trotter filling in for coach Marty Barry, now in Montréal. Coach Doggie Kuhn, former New York Americans player, put Arrows through their drills.

Halifax fans rate both Hawks and Beavers as improved teams. Hawks brought back Coach Les Ramsay who guided the team to the League championship last year and to Sydney Millionaires of the Cape Breton Senior Hockey League in the Maritime finals.

Ramsay will have back defencemen Call Macdonald, defencemen Ray Leger, Paul Gagnon, Willie Agnew, Roger Jodoin and Roy (Buck) Whitlock. League's top point-getter last season, in addition to a host of newcomers.

Situation is similar with Beavers as pilot, Keating will have goalie Sammy Macdonald, defencemen Ralph Croucher, forwards Nick Nicolle, Vic Jackson, Spike Larabee, Joe Szabo and Bobby Newton from last year's squad.

Saint John's attempt to sign the starry all-Negro line of Manny McIntyre, Herbie and Ossie Carnegie fell through when the line could not come intact. The trio will play with Sherbrooke of the Quebec Senior League this season.

Observers are pointing also to a stronger Cape Breton League with Sydney Millionaires possibly making another powerful bid for the Allan Cup.

Steel city fans will never forget the near miss in 1947 when Millionaires failed by one point to whip Regina Rangers for the historic cup. Glace Bay Miners and North Sydney Victorias are also on an extended improvement plan.

Halibutis were impressed with St. Mary's 19-man squad. Taking part in the workout were goalies Ernie Yeardon and Gerald Courteau, defencemen Pat Power, Pete Gaudet, Carroll Bloom, Don (Peanuts)

Pyle Scores Third Round Knockout Over Spencer In Maritime Title Bout

By GORD PEPPER
HALIFAX, Oct. 12 (CP)— Solid-hitting Joey Pyle of New Waterford, N.S. tonight scored a third-round knockout over Torrey Spencer, also of New Waterford, in what was billed as a 10-round Maritime welterweight title bout. The end came one minute after the start of the third round.

Pyle weighed 145½, Spencer 146. Whether Pyle now has the title is a thing only a crystal gazer might be able to answer. Just two weeks ago tonight, Pyle knocked out Roger Whynott of Mahone Bay, N.S., in what also had been billed as a 10-round title go but when the bout came in 1½ pounds overweight, the title match was off.

The Negro scrapper, who picked up most of his ring savvy in and around Montreal stayed pretty much to himself in the opening round tonight and came in for brief flurries of counter-punching with Spencer in the second.

Neither was in any trouble until the bout began to roll. Pyle's way just after the start of the third round when a rocking right to the body savagely upset Spencer's navigation.

The New Waterford puncher circled the slipping defender and after a brief flurry along the ropes, sent in the tell-tale right to the mouth that spun Spencer to the canvas face down.

Spencer did most of the hitting in the opening round but ran into tougher slugging in the second session.

It was the third knockout defeat suffered by Spencer, who had previously dropped bouts to Montreals Harry Hurst and Gus McNeil.

In the semi-windup, Alvin Upshaw of Halifax dethroned McNeil of Montreal in a six-round bout. Upshaw, in at 162½ while McNeil was 158½, had the fight much his own way after a slow start while the Montrealer, sharp defensively, failed to threaten Upshaw's progressively greater lead in the match.

McNeil managed only to halt Upshaw's run to victory on three or four occasions and found he had plenty to do in keeping the Haligonian from ending the bout sooner.

In the preliminaries, Lon L. Blanc of Dartmouth, N.S. and fellow townsmen Bob Ledley staged a major slug fest and scrapping in a seven-round weight advantage to Ledley in coming in at 140.

Bustling Bobby Gammond, another Dartmouth fighter on the four-bout card, asposed Johnny Porter of Saint John, N.B., in a mid-hitting affair that saw Porter hit the deck twice before he was finally counted out in the second round. Gammond weighed 136, Porter 138 1/4.

Sport Shorts From Britain

BY ALAN HARVEY
 (Canadian Press Staff Writer)

LONDON, Oct. 11 (CP)— Ice hockey - you have to say ice or the natives think you mean field hockey - is really taking a root in Britain.

For years, the game has been popular here with Canadians as puck-chasers. Now John Bull is getting more ambitious. He's going to take up the game himself. J. P. (Bunty) Ahrens, secretary of the British Ice Hockey Association, reports that plans are crystallizing for a county hockey league. Qualifications: hockey talent, birth in the British Isles and three years' county residence.

Planned to open in November with about seven teams, the new circuit is expected to become a source of home-trained talent. All players will be amateurs. Profits will go to pay expenses.

Counties so far enrolled are: Middlesex, Sussex, Surrey, North London, Oxfordshire and Cambridgeshire, Warwickshire may also enter.

So take note, Canada. Maybe Britain (which won the 1936 Olympic hockey title with a part-Canadian outfit) will win another title some day all on her own.

S'ide To Send Hockey Delegates To Charlottetown

A decision to send a committee to the annual meeting of the Charlottetown City Hockey League was taken at a meeting of the Summerside Hockey League last night. The committee will have authority to negotiate with the City League officials and to make a decision whether a Summerside team will take part in the Charlottetown League this year or not.

President Harold McIvor of the Summerside League was unable to attend last night's meeting due to illness but later in the evening he appointed the following members to the committee: John McNeill, Clarence Steele, Don Davis, Bob Schurman and Norman MacDonald.

Owing to the small attendance at last night's meeting, the regular business of the annual meeting was not carried out and the meeting was adjourned to the call of the chair. — S.

Horseshoe Club

A 24-shoe contest, scheduled by the Eighteen Horseshoe Club for the week-end and then postponed, is now slated to take place tonight. Play will get underway—weather permitting—at 7 o'clock. Two trophies will be competed for.

Cleveland Indians Earned \$6,772 Each

NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (AP)— Cleveland Indians, who won the World Series Monday, earned an estimated \$6,772 each for the six days of action - a record Series payoff.

The figure is based on the assumption that 31 players will cut into the winning club's share of \$208,228 of the gate receipts of the first four games.

The payoff - approximately \$1,100 a day for each of the six games - betters the 1936 cheque of \$5,544 to each member of the victorious Detroit Tigers. That year the players' pool also included \$100,000 from the sale of broadcast rights. That money now goes to the baseball players' pension fund.

The losing Boston Braves share this year is estimated at \$4,951. The record payoff to a losing player is the \$4,829 gained by each member of the 1941 Brooklyn Dodgers.

Remember When Attention, Race Fans

By The Canadian Press

The immortal Galloping Ghost of American football, Harold (Red) Grange married an air line stewardess, Miss Margaret Hazelburg seven years ago today. Grange starred on the Illinois teams of 1923-24-25.

A meeting of all horse lovers will be held in the City Hall Thursday evening at 8.30. Admits only.

Who Gets the Last Laugh?

As a two and three-year-old, a horse named Mickey, the Crown won races for owner J. Stone, re-named Mickey the Lark last year, he hasn't won a race since. Now Stone has changed the animal's name again - this time to Mickey the Oligie - and hopes his luck will change.

Test Twins: Cricket-playing twin sisters, 24-year-old June and Betty Birch, pack their bags next month and sail for the Antipodes with the English women's team visiting Australia and New Zealand.

Betty is a school teacher. Her only worry is raising £200 (\$900) expenses but she says she has given up smoking to help the cause. "If I had been a man, cricket would have been my life," she says.

In the women's "Ashes" to the U.S., England has won three matches and lost one, with two drawn.

Around the Circuit: Greyhound owner Fred Trevillion, who recently toured the United States with his 1947 champion Trev's Perfection, has decided to reduce his kennel strength of more than 200 greyhounds by 80 per cent. He says few of them are up to top-race standard. Hard luck jockey of the St. Leger was W.H. Carr. Scheduled to ride Black Tarquin, Carr broke a leg in a selling race and listened to the St. Leger on the radio. With Edgar Erbitt in the saddle, the American-bred colt won handsily. Prize fighter Lee Oms obtained an advance from promoter Jack

National Hockey League Opens Season Tonight

DETROIT, Oct. 12 (CP)—With at least five of the six teams reported stronger, the National Hockey League gets off to its earliest start in history tomorrow night, with the Detroit Red Wings entertaining the Chicago Black Hawks.

Apparently only the New York Rangers are a question mark in the pre-season predictions with Toronto Maple Leafs favorites to repeat as League champions and to retain the Stanley Cup. The Leafs, however, are minus veteran Sly Apps, powerful centre-forward who has retired.

The Wings have been figured to give the Leafs most trouble but all coaches have been confident in public utterances.

Each team plays 60 games before the final scheduled fixtures on March 20.

McLaughlin, forwards George McGreggor, Doug Burns, Ron Gaudet, Red Conrad, Don Larles, Jackie Sheehan, Pud Reardon, Chick Charlton, Warren Winslow, Bill Booth, Vic Kryluk, Elmer MacGillivray and Allan (Rock) Sullivan.

Jimmy Gray, returning from Saint John with Halifax baseball capitals, was the only player missing.

Laprade, Moe Out Of Hospital

NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (CP)—Edgar Laprade and Bill Moe were discharged from Western Hospital in Montreal this morning, a New York Rangers source said.

Indications are that both will be available for the Rangers' opening National Hockey League game against the Canadiens in Montreal Thursday.

Laprade, a centre, suffered a nose fracture, and Moe, a defenceman, suffered a mild concussion in the auto crash Friday near LaCelle, Que., which also involved Rangers' Buddy O'Connor and Frank Edolts. The latter stars will be out of action for at least six weeks.

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