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We were kindly remembered with two very appropriate season's greeting cards from W. C. "Bill" Stewart, New Glasgow, N. S. One is an excellent likeness of a yearling colt by Abner T. Clegg 2044, dam, Alice Grattan 20812. It is a typical Clegg, splendidly built and quite the equal in size of a yearling grown in Kentucky. The other card had a fine photo of the two-year-old Uhlenback by Bert Abbe 1594, dam, Uhlen Volo. He is a magnificent individual. Trust both will be as good as their appearance when they hit the racing circuits.

Bill had a letter a few days ago from Hanover Shoe Farms stating that Belle of Brooklyn 2124, that so many of our readers will remember when she raced in the Marlimes, is safe in foal to Billy Direct 156 and will foal in February. Bill is the owner of this mare and foal and we can tell you he is a mighty lucky man, as bookings to Billy Direct are exceptionally hard to get.

Horsemen sincerely regret the death of McNell's Pick 2114, owned by Wellington McNeill, Southport, which occurred last week due to bowel trouble. He had been in the care of James Arblin and was looking exceptionally well. McNell's Pick won his only start the past season at Covehead. Prior to that he had been laid up due to an injury. It was in 1945 that he flashed on the harness horse firmament with a brilliance that stamped him as a possible Maritime record-holder. His mile in 2:11 1/4 at Summerside in which he paced the last half in 1:02, was the basis of that belief, and it was a reasonable one.

Plans are now complete for the Prince Edward Island harness racing circuit for 1947. Charlotteville has announced its dates for Old Home Week and Provincial Exhibition as follows: September 10th and 11th and at a meeting of proprietors of Summerside, Montague, Covehead and Riverside tracks their dates were set as follows: Summerside: July 9, Montague: July 16, Covehead: July 23, Riverside: July 30, Covehead: August 6, Montague: August 13, Old Home Week: August 20, open August 27, Summerside: September 10-11, Goodwill Races: September 17-18, Covehead.

We noticed a letter from a correspondent in the Canadian Sportsman recently, the gist of which was that horsemen should get busy and endeavor to have the Department of Justice change the law in regard to night racing, which he stated did not permit racing after 9:00 p.m. We don't know whether this is correct or not but if so it would take considerable pressure to bring about a change in the Dominion law as it would have to be passed by Parliament first. So far we do not know of anybody in the Maritimes who is equipping a track for night racing and we do not think it would be a paying move as it would be really expensive, it would take a great many nights racing to cover the cost of proper installation.

In various parts of the Maritimes they are planning for races for the winter months and at least one track—Blue Acres New Glasgow, N. S.—intends holding them over the half mile oval. The writer had a lot of experience in ice racing, most of it gained in Toronto, Ontario, Mount Clemens, Mich., and Windsor, Ont., and offers the following suggestions that may be helpful: Take care to have your

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SPORTING NEWS

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Navy basketball team, at present tied with Saints for league leadership in the City League, have a chance to take over undisputed possession of the top spot when they clash with the Army team in tonight's league game at the Prince of Wales Auditorium, and followers of the Navy team are certain that their team will do just that.

Still undefeated, Navy will be big favorites to take the encounter but at the same time they can expect the stoutest of opposition from the Army boys. The latter team's sniping has been the main cause of their defeats to date and should they show any semblance of the form they are capable of, no doubt about it but they will make it plenty interesting for the "Tars."

City Hockey League teams are still cramming plenty of action into their encounters and Thursday night's game wound up in a blazing manner. But while the boys are continuing to lay it on at every opportunity they are also taking time to dish out some smart hockey, and if they keep improving at their present rate fans are going to witness some great encounters once the schedule swings into the New Year.

For two periods Thursday night it was just a toss-up which squad would finally come through with a victory. Legionaires had the better of it in the first session only to have the Navy come back and knot the count in the middle frame and that was the period that produced the best hockey, not only of that game in particular but of the entire season.

Legion earned their margin of victory in the final period and their goals were hard earned and on both teams showing Prince of Wales and Saint Dunstan's, the latter being backed heavily to win league honors will have to show their best form if they are to thwart the distinct threat of the two service teams.

Only regrettable feature about the game was the fireworks that developed in the closing stages. Not that any great damage occurred but things such as these leave bad feelings in their wake not only among the players but the spectators as well. Pleasants is not an uncommon thing in the heat of hard fought games as tempers get out of control, but they are usually discernible long before they actually happen and perhaps if the officials handling the various games clamped down hard in the early stages of the game such outbursts could be sidetracked.

Gordon Drillon is certainly taking a lot of abuse in games in which he appears and he certainly is not deserving of it all. In this writer's opinion, he plays hockey for all that is in it and wants his team to play it the same way; he is certainly no angel out there but at the same time we cannot fathom the reason why the fans want to have his scalp as was the case Thursday night.

He is doing a good job as playing coach of the Legion team and just to give a further insight into his character we reprint the following from the Montreal Star on an incident which occurred when he was playing with Montreal Canadiens:

"Recently Dick Irvine was talking about the famous feat of Ray Gelliffe in scoring five goals against Boston one night several years ago. That stunt overvalued Gelliffe's hockey life another year because he had been in a slump up to then," said Dick. And Irvine also pointed out that it was in that same game that Gordie Drillon tossed away a chance to win bonus of five hundred dollars. "Drillon had a chance to score twice but passed both times to Gelliffe for goals," Drillon had scored his bonus."

Halifax Edges Out Moncton Hawks 7-6

P. W. C. Co-Eds Vs. K. of C. Girls Tonight

Girls basketball makes its season's debut at the Prince of Wales Auditorium tonight at 7 o'clock when George Young's Prince of Wales Co-Eds and Earl Smith's Knights of Columbus team meet in an exhibition game.

Summerside Team Withdraws From League

McQuarrie's Aces, Summerside entry in the City Hockey League have withdrawn from the first session of the league it was learned last night.

Down The Alleys

HOLY NAME BOWLING

Team No. 1—

B. Howatt	162	183	143
B. Bearstoe	112	144	112
M. Weir	89	181	89

Team No. 2—

J. Rogerson	154	171	169
G. Bagnall	145	163	160
E. Cameron	180	124	119
G. Barbour	105	89	90
M. Brady	134	135	90

Team No. 3—

N. MacDonald	159	171	133
D. MacDonald	184	200	257
J. MacDonald	105	132	121
G. MacFarlane	114	175	173
B. Roper	158	139	112

Team No. 4—

E. Macdonald	141	156	152
B. Saunders	130	147	109
M. Mathieson	171	149	133
A. McFarlane	105	89	90
E. Hazzard	105	89	90
G. Bagnall	215	143	133
High three D. MacDonald 541.			
Winner's team 3-29 1-2 pts.			

Big Four League

All Stars—

J. Power	176	253	325
T. McKearney	150	194	151
B. Cameron	253	173	185
B. MacNeill	165	134	169
C. LeClair	220	144	167

Arabs—

Dr. Duffy	181	227	208
E. Rice	251	171	231
I. MacKinnon	182	221	172
J. MacInnis	202	201	215
A. McFarlane	180	233	232

Total—3201.

High single J. Power 325.

High three J. Power 764.

Points: All Stars 1; Arabs 4.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20 — (AP) — Though still on the serious list, boxing promoter Mike Jacobs is "improving every day," Dr. Vincent Nardello, his personal physician, announced today. Jacobs was stricken with a cerebral haemorrhage Dec. 3.

HUNTERS' CORNER

There has been an unfavourable reaction among sportsmen to the minimum penalty handed out to a Portage merchant for a major infraction of the Game Act by Stipendiary Magistrate R.S. Hinton at Summerside on Dec. 17th. On December 10th Royal Canadian Mounted Police searched his premises at Portage and found eight native partridge in his possession that had been killed within a short period to the raid.

The defendant admitted to the Police that he had procured the birds from young men in the West Devon and Inverness districts in exchange for tobacco, cigarettes, etc., and that they were intended for delivery to a customer of his in Charlottetown. On December 17th he was represented by a Summerside lawyer when his case came up for hearing and the Magistrate imposed a fine of \$30.00 and costs (\$3.75) or 10 days in jail.

The commercializing of game birds has always been considered a serious offence by sportsmen and conservationists alike and at the present time when thousands of dollars have been spent by sportsmen on the introduction of Ring-necked pheasants and Prairie chickens into the Province the practice is frowned upon even more. Considerable interest was manifested in the outcome of this case and many are of the opinion that the fine should run into the three figure bracket.

Summary:

First Period

1—Halifax, O'Neill (Gaudet) 2.31
2—Halifax, O'Neill 14.05
3—Moncton, McManus (Dowling) 9.33
4—Halifax, O'Neill 14.05
5—Halifax, Gray (Sullivan) 17.53
6—Halifax, Sullivan (Gaudet) 19.20

Penalties: Fraser (major & minor), Copus, O'Neill (major), Bastarache, Gaudet.

Second Period

7—Moncton, Tralnor (McManus) 2.22
8—Moncton, Leadbetter (Demchuk) 9.12
9—Halifax, O'Neill (Gray) 14.02
10—Moncton, McManus (Dowling) 17.02
11—Halifax, Gray (Sullivan, Gaudet) 19.23

Penalties: Polier (2), Gray.

Third Period

12—Moncton, Leadbetter (McManus) 8.01
13—Moncton, Bell 15.33

Penalties: McManus, Copus.

Edmonton Hockey Club Declines Offer

EDMONTON, Dec. 20 — (CP) — Officials of the Edmonton Junior Canadian Hockey Club announced tonight that they had decided to turn down an offer from the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association to represent Canada in the world hockey championship at Prague, Czechoslovakia, in February. Officials said unsatisfactory financial guarantees from the British Ice Hockey Association, the organization sponsoring the European tour, was the reason for rejecting the offer.

Find Boxer Had Thin Vein in Head

NOTTINGHAM, England, Dec. 20 — (Reuters) — Alex Murphy, 22-year-old Scottish boxer who died in hospital following a bout with French flyweight champion Emile Panschoux, was found to have an abnormally thin vein on the left side of his head which was ruptured in the fight and led to his death. It was disclosed at an inquest today.

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Ray Robinson Wins Welterweight Title By Decision Over Bell

By SID FEDER

NEW YORK, Dec. 20 — (AP) — Sugar Ray Robinson tonight ended his five year campaign for the world welterweight championship when he scored a 15-round decision over Tommy Bell of Youngstown, Ohio, at Madison Square Garden here.

Robinson weighed 146 1/2 pounds. Bell 146.

The great negro boxer, rated as "uncrowned king of the welterweights" for the five years during which he vainly sought a title shot, came on in the middle rounds to outpoint the tough Bell.

Robinson won, but only after the roughest, toughest going over he has ever had in his career. Bell, another negro, walked in from the start and belted away until the end in the rugged brawl. Loser of only one fight in his career of 75 trips to the post, and that to a middleweight—the Harlem fighter had to come off the floor from a second round knockdown to finish in front.

At the end, he drew the unanimous vote of Referee Eddie O'Sullivan and both judges—Jack Joseph and Artie Schwartz. The Associated Press score card gave Robinson eight rounds, Bell five and two even.

Offers \$10,000 To Hold Amateur Hockey Players

OTTAWA, Dec. 20 — (CP) — Be-rett of two star hockey players offered today to place \$10,000 on the line annually as protection against club roster depletion of amateur club members.

Tommy Gorman, manager of the Quebec Amateur Hockey League, said in a statement the offer would be placed before the Ontario Amateur Hockey Association's semi-annual meeting in Toronto next week.

Under Gorman's proposal, the money would go to the C.A.H.A. which in return would make the pro-raiding deadline Oct. 15 instead of the present Jan. 15. If it with the same species of game bird, having 8 in possession, the defendant is assessed a minimum of \$23.75, less then \$3.00 per bird. Somewhere along the line the gears of our justice machinery have slipped into reverse.

Wants Defence Dept. To Lift Player Ruling

HALIFAX, Dec. 20 — (CP) — Mayor J. E. (Geey) Ahern said today he telephoned the Department of National Defence in Ottawa and asked for lifting of a ruling which bars members of the armed forces from playing with civilian teams. The request was dealt specifically with the attempt by Halifax Crescents of the Maritime Big Four Hockey League to recruit players from the now-defunct Halifax United Services club.

Mayor Ahern said he had been in touch with a defence department official who said he would see what could be done about the ruling.

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