



### DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

**E. A. "Ted" Grant, Houlton, Me.** is at the Charlottetown Hotel until Tuesday morning. This time he is not racing a string of horses on the quest for speed, but he is representing Turf Craft Equipment, Woodstock, N. B., an offshoot of a similar company in Maine. It manufactures one of the finest lines of sulky and carts in use today, embodying new improvements on previous designs. The fact that Tommy Berry, one of the foremost reinsmen in the United States uses over a dozen of these sulky and carts in his training stable and that other prominent reinsmen pick them up as fast as they are produced, shows that both carts and sulky are worthwhile products. It is certainly a convenience for Martins to have a near-by source of this absolutely necessary equipment for racing. Mr. Grant has with him samples of sulky and carts and orders can be taken for them. The owner may select his own color combinations. Mr. Grant is one of the best known racing men in the State of Maine and for many years when we were connected with him. We took particular notice of this horse at one of the night races held in Charlottetown and caught him a quarter in 21 seconds. With that speed and another year's training he should take a fast record.

Our friend Dick Hegan of New York sends us a clipping of a New York daily which shows that Roosevelt Raceway, which has drawn such tremendous crowds and has been so successful with its pari-mutuel machines, held an annual reception for the disbursement of charity awards in the Georgian Room of the Garden City Hotel on December 14th, where a large distribution of money was made to worthy objects. The item concludes with: "Speaking of the Raceway, rumours say that America's premier harness racing track has boosted its two biggest stakes, the Roosevelt two-mile trot and the Nassau two-mile pace to \$50,000 each for next season."

Gedric Campbell, Cape Breton, knows how to raise and sell them, the principal reason being that he is careful in his selection of wood mares and stallions and gives the offspring the best of care, food and attention. A short time ago he placed an ad. in this paper for Teele's Pal and within a few days sold this beautiful colt to Gerald M. Gibson, Bath, Carleton County, N.B. Mr. Gibson was very much taken with the colt and says it will be a real pet around his place and will get the best of attention and a chance to develop into a good trotter or pacer. It was pleasing, of course, to Mr. Campbell to know that the colt has gotten into such good hands. Bath is situated between Woodstock and the State of Maine, a pretty long journey for the youngster this time of year.

George A. Callbeck, who has had such success in breeding colts, has issued a very attractive season's greeting card showing Guy Ann 2:13 1/2 with her latest, Ann's Boy. The three, Guy Ann, Ann's Boy and George, seem very happy. George with a \$10,000, is affectionately placed on the Boy and holding the mother.

Allison Carr of Oyster Bed Bridge, who made such a good job of raising and training Bonnie Kalmuck 2:16, (record taken in the State of Maine) has an excellent good prospect coming. Star Budget, that was very attractive, is owned by Hiram, and was grand champion colt at the Provincial Exhibition this year. His sire is Cabnet, Budget 2:02 1/2, dam, Daisy Set by Kalmuck 2:15 1/2, out of Baby Louget by Louget 2:05 1/2. Mr. Carr intends preparing him for the two-year-old trotting future.

"Doc" Parrish, who was for years leading driver in America but retired only to make a comeback two years ago, has had a splendid season in 1948. Horses by him piled up winnings of over \$105,000. "Doc" drove The Diplomat 2:04 1/2 to his record, racing him from Santa Anita to Lexington and selling him at the Harrington sale to Alex Parsons of London, Ont., for \$105,000. He will be remembered as having marked the pacer Jane Azoff in 1:59 1/2 prior to her sale to Charles Horton, Murray River.

The following appears in the last issue of The Harness Horse—"Public Relations Stable Buys Highland Chief 2:11 1/2, 5-year-old, bred by the late J. W. Brown, purchased by Joe O'Brien, should not lack for newspaper and magazine space in the future, as he is in the hands of a syndicate consisting of the dynamic update New York City Director for the United States Trotting Association; Elliot Emerson, Publicity Director for the Grand Circuit; Ed Binneweg, the Long Island stalwart covering the Long Island Raceway for the Long Island Press; Howard DePreitas, Publicity Director at Saratoga Raceway; the dynamic update New York City Charlie Ruderman; and also trainer O'Brien. Now being wintered in the O'Brien stable at Orlando, Fla. his every move should be lavishly covered by the members of the Public Relations Stable. The richly-bred gelding is being pointed for the night races at Roosevelt Raceway, and the evening when the Chief is down to the start should unfold quite a scene of nervous tension in the Westbury press box. A half-brother to the crack Tryax 3:02 1/2, and the consistent Bonnie Flower 2:07 1/2, out of Highland Mary 2:28 1/2, full sister to Scotland 1:59 1/2, Highland Chief certainly has an impressive family tree. Let us hope that this pacing hopeful will live up to his pedigree, though a great sire and dam can't be much help in the closing eighth when the pressure is on; both from Joe O'Brien and from his high-pressure owners in the glass-enclosed copy room high up in the grandstand."

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# SPORTING NEWS

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## Ramblers Win From Y.M.C.A. In Hoop Game

At the Prince of Wales College last night, the Juvenile Ramblers moved into second place behind the Abbies in the Juvenile Basketball League standing by defeating the Y.M.C.A. hoopers by the close score of 17-15.

With all three teams playing really closely contested basketball so far this season, last night's tussle was by far the closest yet, with the Ramblers only leading by two points, with the slim margin of two points. The scoring honors were pretty well evened up among a number of players on both teams, with B. McMillan and B. McPherson of the Y gathering four points apiece, while C. McDougall, S. Moreside and H. Hartinger of the Ramblers also were credited with four points each. The other seven players on the Y squad's total were divided up between four team members, while three other Rambler players accounted for that team's extra five points.

The following are the lineups and summary:—

Ramblers		TP
B. Davey	2	2
G. Birt	0	0
S. Moreside	4	4
J. Well	0	0
C. McDougall	1	1
J. Hoyt	2	2
H. Hartinger	4	4
		17
Y.M.C.A.		TP
J. McAndrew	2	2
B. McMillan	2	2
B. McPherson	4	4
C. Hine	0	0
B. Cameron	0	0
S. Cameron	0	0
B. Leonard	0	0
B. Burgess	2	2
		15

Manager W. E. Scantlebury and coach Jackie Kane, who will be accompanying the team to Sackville, stated last night that the boys will be making the trip by bus, and that there will be a limited number of vacancies on the bus for local hockey fans who are desirous of making the trip. Anyone who is interested, are advised to contact either Brigadier Reid or Mr. W. E. Scantlebury.

Fans are going to be in a position to see for themselves Wednesday night just what type of hockey is being played in the "Big Four" this year when the Moncton Hawks meet an All-Star team chosen from the City League in an exhibition encounter at the Forum.

Mainland teams performing here are always a big drawing card, and with the top team in Big-Four competition for the first time in this instance, a big crowd of hockey fans from all sections of the Province will no doubt be turning out to see the boys in action. Apart from the fact that they are a mainland team, the local fans will have the opportunity of seeing some of their own local hockey products in the visiting team. Whitlock, winner of last year's Choice Four scoring race, and Bert Steele, who have been turning in top-notch performances this year in Maritime competition, turning out on the Hawks' lineup.

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Tonight's encounter will be the second in the Island Physical Fitness League schedule. The first game is scheduled to get underway at 7:30 between Recco hoopers and the Summerside Schurman quintette. The final half of the double bill will get underway one hour later, with the strong Summerside R.C.A.F. cagemen battling it out with last year's senior Island basketball champions, Ray's Millionaires.

Canadiens Call Up Tod Campeau

MONTEAL, Dec. 17 (CP)—Montreal Canadiens announced tonight that Claude (Tod) Campeau, now playing with Dallas, Texas, in the United States Hockey League, has been called up to help the injury-riddled parent club.

Campeau is expected to reach Montreal by plane in time for Saturday night's game against Detroit Red Wings. In any event he will be used Sunday in New York against Rangers.

Butch Bouchard, defenceman, and Elmer Leach, centre, both top-liners with Montreal's National Hockey League club, are laid up with injuries. Bouchard, after a brief reappearance, aggravated a leg injury. Leach suffered a fractured jaw last Saturday.



## HUNTERS' CORNER

It has been this columnist's conviction, as expressed in this column or more the none occasion for years, that hunters kill only a very small percentage of the Hungarian partridge that are raised in this Province every year. Thousands upon thousands of partridge eggs are destroyed each season by crows, skunks, foxes, minks, cats, foxes, foxes, house cats, hunting dogs at large, weasels, etc.

A few days ago I received a copy of "Fish & Game", a new monthly magazine devoted to outdoor life sport in Alberta. I was very much interested in an article published in this November issue. It bore the heading: "New Approach To Pheasant Problem." On September 21st, 1948, Roy N. Bach, United States federal government coordinator for game and fish in the State of North Dakota, addressed 2,000 sportsmen (and women) in the Western Canada Auditorium in Calgary. He had flown to Calgary that same afternoon in a US government plane especially to address the meeting. Mr. Bach is recognized as one of the leading biologists working along fundamental, practical lines in the United States. In his address he told sportsmen present about 8 years of exhaustive scientific studies into the mortality of game birds in North Dakota.

He told the meeting that out of every 100 pheasant eggs laid in the wild in North Dakota, 50% were destroyed before they were hatched. Out of the 50 eggs hatched 25% of the chicks were destroyed in the juvenile stage and never got through the spring and summer into the shooting season. Of the 25 chicks that survived till the shooting season, 12% percent (or one half) lived to propagate in the spring; 6% percent are killed by hunters and the remaining 6% are described as lost to winter mortality.

The following are a few quotations from his address: "We've been barking up the wrong tree. We've tried to shave a little off here and a little off there by limiting open seasons, cutting down bag limits and so on... but we should be trying to lower 'egg mortality', bringing more and more eggs into the juvenile stage. We should be trying to lower 'juvenile mortality' bringing more and more birds over into maturity where they can be of some use to us... We don't eat pheasant eggs and we don't eat pheasant chicks. We've got to see that more of them live and grow up to become food on the hunter's table."

To this article's way of thinking we are faced with very much the same situation in this province with regard to Hungarian partridge excepting that "winter mortality" cuts a far deeper swath in our partridge than the mere 6-14 per cent credited to this cause in North Dakota.

In the egg saving, feature of the situation this columnist estimates we lose in excess of forty thousand Hungarian partridge eggs every summer and that of this number approximately 80% could be saved to furnish live chicks by the introduction of flushing bars. In case you may wonder by what line of reasoning I arrived at those figures. Well, for years I have made a point of asking farmers, covering all sections of the province, after the haying season was over as to how many, if any, partridge nests of eggs had been destroyed by hay mowers. The average over a period of years was that one farmer in seven reported one, sometimes two nests, that had been observed raised over and abandoned after having operations had been completed.

In a Provincial Blue Book issued a few years ago it was compiled that there were 12,995 occupied farms in the province. Later figures estimated that there were approximately 1,000 farms under cultivation but actually occupied. Seven divided into 14,000 leaves 2,000 and this in turn multiplied by 20, the estimate average number of eggs in a Hungarian partridge nest, gives us 40,000.

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SAINT JOHN, N.B., Dec. 17 (CP)—Dartmouth Arrows broke a four-game losing slump by playing Saint John Beavers for the first two periods tonight and winning the Maritime Senior Hockey League fixture 5-2.

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## Halifax St. Mary's In 9-1 Victory Over League-Leading Hawks

HALIFAX, Dec. 17 (CP)—Halifax St. Mary's rolled up their collective sleeves and polished off Moncton Hawks 9-1 here tonight in a Maritime Senior Hockey League game that saw Saintmarysians bag seven goals in 14 minutes without a reply from Hawks.

It was one of the worst beatings suffered by the league-leaders this year.

First Period  
1—Halifax, Gray (McGregor) 54  
2—Halifax, R. Gaudet (Schmidt) 240  
3—Halifax, Sullivan (R. Gaudet) 352  
4—Halifax, Brennan (Gray) 556  
5—Halifax, Hanon (Powers) 1048  
6—Halifax, R. Gaudet (Sullivan) 1287  
7—Halifax, Sullivan (Schmidt) 1420  
Penalties — Kahl, Prentice, Tooby, Gray, Steele (minor and misconduct)

Second Period  
8—Moncton, Sackwell (Legere) 149  
Penalties — None

Third Period  
9—Halifax, Schmidt (Hanon) 1336  
10—Halifax, MacGregor (Brennan, Gray) 1435  
Penalties — Kahl, Tooby, Sullivan (major), Fitzpatrick (major), Powers

Rabid hoop fans will be in for a big evening of basketball at the Prince of Wales College Auditorium tonight when the Island Physical Fitness League stages its second double header feature so far this season in the league schedule. The card will be a case of Charlottetown versus Summerside, the Summerside Schurmans take on the Recco hoopers in the opening game which gets underway at 7:30, with the second half of the double featuring Schurmans and Recco in a match between Rays Millionaires and the Summerside R.C.A.F. quintette which is scheduled to start at 8:15.

All four teams took part in the first double header of the league at Summerside Airport just one week ago last night, with the Millionaires whitewashing Schurmans by a score of 67-22, while Recco just nosed out the R.C.A.F. cagemen by 46-42.

With none of the teams having any great margin of lead in the league standing this early in the season, the two cellar teams, Schurmans and R.C.A.F., will be really putting up a stiff battle to prevent the two top teams from increasing their lead and put them on a more even footing, while on the other hand, the two City teams will not be taking any chances on losing their trip on the league leadership, and will be striving to forge further ahead in the standing.

All these facts taken into account, plus the usual keen rivalry which is always displayed by local and Western teams, should make for a really stellar night of basketball competition.

## Vics Move Close To Leaders In C. B. League

SYDNEY, N. S., Dec. 17 (CP)—Out-paced and out-shot by a wide margin, North Sydney Vics today played the breaks to perfection to defeat the Cape Breton Senior Hockey League leaders, Sydney Millionaires, 5-2, before 2,275 spectators here tonight.

Vics rolled to within two points of the leaders and will have the chance to move to the front if they overcome Glace Bay Miners Saturday and Monday. Millionaires are idle until Tuesday when they play a home engagement against the Miners.

Millionaires outshot their opponents 40-17.

First Period  
1—North Sydney, Surgense (Bangay) 1631  
2—North Sydney, Kornek (Janski) 1701  
Penalties — Kornek, Msketyrn, McLean, MacDonald

Second Period  
3—North Sydney, Dyte (Bangay) 1341  
Penalties — Surgense, Janski

Third Period  
4—Sydney, Roach (Arundel, MacDonald) 531  
5—North Sydney, Bangay (Surgense, Kornek) 1116  
6—Sydney, Birukov (Gallagher) 1402  
7—North Sydney, Surgense (Dyte) 1959  
Penalties — Kornek

CHICAGO, Dec. 17 (AP)—New York's Joe DiMaggio watched Boston's Ted Williams win the 1948 American League batting and slugging crowns, but the Yankee club's manager, who counted out 43 major and league records broken or tied last season.

Williams, whose .369 average topped the individual batting, finished 17 percentage points ahead of DiMaggio's .348 in the slugging competitions, but was third in R.B.I.s with 127. The Yankee star played 153 games, compared with Williams' 137.

Boston shortstop Vern Stephens was second in the R.B.I. column with 137, despite the dubious distinction of hitting into the most double-plays, 25.

It was DiMaggio's best season at batting across tallies since his high of 167 in 1937.

Williams, whose R.B.I. activity suffered when he was slowed by injury in July, again drew the most bases on balls, 128.

The Yankees' slugger was New York's Tony Henrich with a .344 percentage, while Cleveland's Joe Gordon was fourth in R.B.I.s with 131.

Reflecting the league's improvement in batting, 10 players last season batted across 100 or more runs, against only one—Williams—in 1947.

DiMaggio also was the leading hit-by-pitcher victim, being plunked eight times. Pat Seery, who switched from Cleveland to Chicago during the season, struck out 102 times for that unwanted title.

Seery, however, tied three major league records with four home runs in one game, most extra-bases on long hits, 12, and most total bases in a game, 16.

Defensive play accounted for several of the new marks.

Boston's Bobby Doerr established a major league mark of 414 chances at second base without an error. Another second sacker, New York's George Stirmweis set a major record with the fewest errors at the position, five.

STELLARTON, N. S., Dec. 17 (CP)—Stellarton Royals defeated Pictou Maripacs 11-2 here tonight in a regular A.P.C. Senior Hockey League tilt before a small crowd.

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