



DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

Scotty Hudlong p. 210 2-5, winner of three races the past season and several heats in other races where he was the contesting horse, has been sold by C. E. English of Picot to Samuel Kennedy, Jr., of Charlottetown. Scotty has been one of the most consistent pacers on Maritime tracks for several years. He has a wealth of speed, good manners and should take a faster record. He was driven in all but one of his races by Teddy Weir.

Walter S. Gibbons, general secretary of Roosevelt Raceway, Westbury, L. I., has forwarded us an entry blank for the \$25,000 National American Trotting Derby, the Roosevelt two-mile trot with \$35,000 guaranteed added money, the Nassau two-mile Pace guaranteed \$25,000 added money. Both of these stakes are expected to reach \$40,000 in value with no money or expenses deducted and open to the world. There are no entrance fees to the Invitational Races but the latter two events have a nomination payment of \$100, and a second payment of \$100, and a starting fee of \$500. All the above are one dash races.

On the entry form it is stated that more than \$1,000,000 will again be distributed to the horsemen in 1948 with no dash for less than \$1,000. My, wouldn't the old timers gasp if they suddenly came face to face with a program like that! It is really startling the success which has attended Roosevelt Raceway and a very considerable part of it is due to Secretary Walter S. who was a race horse man for many years. The last time we remember him in action was when he campaigned in the Maritimes and he was just as popular as a driver-trainer as he is as a secretary.

From faraway Del Mar, California, a friend writes us some very interesting news dated December 30th, which we quote: "I had an interesting experience last night when I attended the annual Times Sports Award banquet which was held in the Biltmore Bowl in Hollywood. The winners are from every field of sport from hockey to swimming. This is the first year harness racing was represented there and because of being the leading point winner on United States Trotting Association tracks Joe O'Brien was kind enough to introduce me to nearly all of them. Hope we Master of Ceremonies and very amusing. Before the banquet some of the stars and sportsmen were interviewed over the Mutual Broadcasting System and wasn't I delighted to see that my friend from Prince Edward Island, Joe O'Brien, was interviewed in a group with Jack Dempsey, Leo Durocher and Esther Williams. It was certainly a great thrill and one which I will never forget. The Biltmore Bowl is a wonderful sight, there were over 1,000 at the banquet yet everyone had a perfect view of the presentation of awards.

I visited Del Mar track and enjoyed a wonderful afternoon there. It is an ideal training spot and a picture place. The temperature averages around 75 degrees.

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IN THE CORNER

A City League Abegweit basketball team will produce a team for Maritime intermediate playdowns gets underway at P.W.C. Auditorium tonight with Navy meeting Saints in the curtain raiser and P.W.C. clashing with Ray's Millionaires in the other half of the bill. A hoop bill that should produce two closely-fought, well-played games.

In meeting the Millionaires the young Prince of Wales team will be taking on the squad that are co-favorites with the Saints to capture top honors but that doesn't please the Colquhoun in the least and they are confident of giving the fast stepping Ray's boys a tough time of it all the way.

And it is not a matter of wishful thinking on the part of the City team. Ever since basketball got underway Prince of Wales have been practising steadily and improvement has been noted in each exhibition game they have played. Walter Goss, coach of the team and himself a smooth, efficient player in the days when the H-Grads were ruling the roost is doing a great job with youngsters under his charge and when playoff time rolls around this year's squad will prove just as good as they were last year and on the night of the playoffs just nosed out by a favored Saints team in the semi-finals.

Much the same applies to the Navy team when they stack up against the Saints. Of last year's champions Joe Cullen was the only member left when the team started out this season and the outlook appeared dark indeed. But despite the fact the team have been getting along with but five players, all season long they have been offering stout opposition and in doing the job with a couple of more of the services of the past year, the team will be still have plenty to say before they relinquish the title they won from the Saints last year.

So it can be seen that the outlook for a well-balanced league is bright. The players themselves are full of enthusiasm and anxious to get the game back on a sound, smart basis. On the other hand, show the same interest in the basketball season will be a long remembered one. The Prince of Wales Auditorium presents a fine site for the games both for players and fans and the latter are assured of watching the games in warm, roomy, comfortable quarters.

The question mark surrounding the Summerside entry in the City Hockey League was answered definitely Thursday night when Windy Steele's crew skated off with a 6-5 victory over P.W.C. Welshmen in a game that failed to produce much hockey polish but provided fans with just as hard a fought, exciting contest as has been witnessed on Forum ice in a good spell.

Suffering from lack of confidence on due to lack of ice, the Summerside squad, tiring visibly halfway through the game, weren't expected to offer much competition in the third stanza, but playing it carefully, they hung on, struck for two goals and skated off with a surprising win.

And this same crew may furnish a lot of surprises before the playoffs are completed. They showed a tendency to pass the rubber along in smart fashion on Thursday night and it was passing plays that led to a majority of their goals. Too they backchecked tenaciously and although at times they were outskated badly, their opponents' puck carriers so much that the Welshmen failed to get many clean cut scoring chances.

There are a lot of likely looking prospects on the Summerside squad and Coach Steele, who last year led Moncton Hawks to a Maritime title will mould a smooth working outfit together before too many more days elapse. He was many more pleased with their performances on Thursday and once he has cut the squad down will be able to really get down to work himself in relief.

Windy himself is not in the best of playing condition, but like his players is short on work but he will soon remedy this. A tower of strength defensively, Thursday night, Steele showed the experience he had gained while playing in the Canadian American League with the Hershey Bears and his old time accuracy around the net showed up like a sore thumb when he got into scoring position in the third period for the all-important tie-breaking goal with young Gordie McKee coming through with the winner.

So with Summerside showing improvement over last year and the Welshmen, despite their setback, still to be reckoned with, once they can take advantage of their scor-

Summerside Kinsmen Win From Ch'town Fighter Scores Recce Juveniles 7-4 Split Decision

The Summerside Kinsmen Juveniles last night at the Crystal Ring in Summerside by the score of 7 to 4. The Capital City sextet had nothing to match the drive and stick wizardry of the "dynamite twins" Layton Schurman and Benny Grady who accounted for all but one of the local tallies.

Summerside took an early lead of three goals to nil but the Charlottetown boys, fighting back gallantly, scored two before the period ended, both from the stick of M. MacKenzie, classy redhead of the Recce first line, who was easily the pick of the visitors.

Charlottetown outscored the local Kinsmen 2 to 1 in the sandwich session, knotting the count 4 all. In the final frame the Summerside outfit snuffed three goals with a return. On two of his four goals Layshie Schurman beat the defence of the Recce single handedly in displays of stick handling.

Lineups: Summerside — Goal, Delaney; defence, Gay, Waite, Murphy, V. Gallant; forwards, L. Schurman, B. Grady, J. Gallant, C. Perry, D. Wedge, R. Gallant, E. De'ghan, L. Richard, D. Sirrmons. Charlottetown — Goal, McDonald; defence, McInnis, Anderson, L. Ford, Stanley, M. MacKenzie, Shepherd, E. MacKenzie, Clarkin, M. McKenzie, Nicholson, Acorn.

SUMMARY
1st Period, 1 S'ide — L. Schurman, 2 S'ide — B. Grady (Gay), 3 S'ide — B. Grady (L. Schurman).
2nd Period, 4 Ch'town — M. MacKenzie (Shepherd, Stanley), 5 Ch'town — M. MacKenzie, Penalties — Clarkin, Shepherd, Waite, Grady.
3rd Period, 7 Ch'town — M. MacKenzie (Clarkin), 8 — Ch'town — Nicholson, Penalties — None.
4th Period, 1 S'ide — L. Schurman, 9 S'ide — L. Schurman, 10 S'ide — L. Schurman. Referee — Stu Martin. — S.

Knotty Niners Play Geo'town Team Tonight

Charlottetown's Knotty Niners hockey squad journey to Georgetown tonight to take on the Georgetown High School team in an exhibition encounter. They should provide King's County fans with some close battling.

The Niners will travel by bus leaving from the Bike Shop at 6:15 and there are some seats available for fans desirous of taking in the encounter.

Island Pheasants Unlimited has been conducting a survey of conditions affecting the upland game birds of the island since the heavy snow.

Generally speaking the birds are doing well. In most sections of Prince and Queens Counties the snow is uneven and allows the weeds and small plants to be used for cover. The snow does not appear on the ploughed fields and other exposed places and these provide much needed grit.

Conditions in Kings County are not so good. The snow is deep and continuous and the Kings County birds are having difficulty in locating feed and grit. It is very important — especially to the Hungarian Partridge. When the Hun changes his diet to the winter feed of seeds and other dry foods, he must have grit. Without it, he cannot exist.

The Hungarian Partridge has become the Province's greatest game bird. Teachers, farmers, travellers and all sportsmen are urged to report conditions as they observe them from time to time throughout the winter. Cooperation will pay great dividends.

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New Glasgow Fighter Scores Split Decision

HALIFAX, Jan. 9 — (AP) — Percy Paris of New Glasgow, N.S., scored a split decision victory over Benny Woods of Saint John, N.B., here tonight in the feature attraction on a four-fight card. Paris weighed 131, Woods 134 1-2.

Both judges cast their ballots for Paris while referee Clyde McInnis voted for Woods.

Woods was easily out-manoeuvred in the opening rounds of the 10-round bout but made a late stand that brought the fans upright.

The New Glasgow Negro was too fast and active for Woods in the long run. He was in and out, shocking both hands to the face and body. Though Woods wasn't hurt particularly, he was widely outscored. There were no knockdowns though Woods staggered Paris with a whistling right to the jaw in a late round.

In preliminaries Sailor Humphries of the liner Glasgow knocked out Lucky Abrams of Truro, N.S. in the first round of a six-rounder and Bobby Smith of Springhill, N.S., outpointed Keith Paris of New Glasgow.

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Maxim Gains Split 10-Round Decision Over Olle Tandberg

NEW YORK, Jan. 9 — (AP) — Cleveland's Joe Maxim tonight defeated the heavyweights' title holder Olle Tandberg, a crude workman from Stockholm, Sweden, by pointing out a split 10-round decision over the upset conqueror of Joe Bakal in a bruising battle at Madison Square Garden.

Maxim, a "cutie" from Ohio gave away 29 pounds to the towering Swede who weighed 208 pounds to the winner's 170 but he earned the votes of referee Eddie Joseph and Judge George Le Cron. Judge Charles Shortell thought Tandberg won by a margin of five rounds to four for Maxim with one even Joseph and Le Cron gave Maxim a 7-3 edge.

The Associated Press score card gave it to Maxim seven to two with one even.

When Shortell's ballot for the Swedish invader was announced a roar of disapproval went up from the crowd of 10,486 who contributed to a gross gate of \$43,670. Apparently they agreed with the official decision.

The tall, lumbering Tandberg was the aggressor throughout most of the battle but he was missing badly with his wild swings while the clever Maxim landed consistently with his educated left hand. Much of the battle was fought at close range.

There were no knockdowns. Maxim clutched inside and pounded to the body while Olle tried to pull away to take advantage of his superior reach.

Although the Swede was big and strong with plenty of stamina, he left most of the Garden crowd wondering how he had beaten Bakal in Europe last July 6. Tandberg took charge in the first round as Maxim coasted along, trying to puzzle out the awkward style of the blond European. But Joey hit his stride in the second, sending Tandberg's head snapping back with five straight left jabs and punishing him with a two-fisted attack to the body.

A 9-to-5 underdog in the betting, Tandberg showed little to recommend him as a future foe for champion Joe Louis. For that matter Maxim hardly impressed as a real top flight heavy because he showed little punching ability.

Maxim built up a wide lead in the middle rounds, flashing a cute boxing style that seemed to puzzle Olle who gave up his standing "style to try fighting in a semi-crouch. Despite his 29 extra pounds he did little inside, except put his weight on Maxim's chest.

The best fight on the undercard was a furious six-rounder in which Earl Turner, 145 1/2, New York, and Bobby Mann, 132 1/2, Trenton, N.J., battled to a draw. Mann was down four times in the first round, but he came back strongly.

Truro Bearcats Win From Beavers 6-3

TRURO, N.S., Jan. 9 — (CP) — Truro Bearcats fattened their lead atop the Maritime Senior Hockey League by four points tonight at the expense of Saint John Beavers, doubling the score on the visitors, 6-3.

Only last week Beavers laced Truro 12-1 in a sudden upset that was cut short two games later by Halifax Crescents.

Largest crowd of the season saw Truro's avowed intent to give Beavers a return drubbing was averted only by the nimble netminding of Donahy in the Saint John cage. He was particularly noteworthy in the second period when Cais had control of the play and then poked in two more, to make the score 7-2 at the end of the second period.

Coming out in the third period, the Summerside team showed considerable strength, and gave the locals their hands full for the remainder of the game, making it a nip and tuck affair all the way, with the Western team notching one to their credit before the game ended.

SUMMARY
First Period
1—Truro, Beaulieu (Wilson) 5:55
2—Truro, Roach (Medynski) 8:35
Penalties — Nicolle, Kearns.
Second Period
3—Saint John, Nicolle (Croucher) 2:12
4—Truro, MacIntyre (Steele, Grabowski) 15:10
5—Saint John, Lay (Myke) 19:42
Penalties — Lay.
Third Period
6—Truro, Kearns (Steele) 1:55
7—Truro, Wilson (Beaulieu, McDonald) 3:10
8—Saint John, Myke (Szabo) 11:23
9—Truro, Barkwell (Roach) 11:47
Penalties — None.

Horse Race At Victoria Park Is Cancelled

Officials of the Victoria Driving Club last night announced that races scheduled for Victoria Park Speedway this afternoon have been cancelled. They said the action was taken because of the storm and the fact that even if it stopped snowing before race time it would not be possible to get the track cleared. They added that there was a "good bottom" on the speedway now and that if cold weather came there should be a good racing surface.

Hunter River and Covehead-Brackley horses had been expected to participate in the card originally planned for today.

Woodcock's Eye Injury Has Healed

LONDON, Jan. 9 — (AP) — Heavyweight champion Bruce Woodcock of Britain, who suffered an eye injury last spring while working in a quarry, was pronounced fit today by an eye specialist.

Local Curling Season To Open Next Week

Charlottetown beam and stane artists were looking forward last night to the opening of the curling season locally early next week.

An initial layer of ice over the four rinks has been laid and oil painting to brighten the surface and mark the charmed circles underway.

The installation of the artificial ice plant marks another milestone in the progress of the curling game here. Matches will be run off as per schedule and it is expected that competition for the various trophies will get underway almost immediately.

An island rink which will include P. R. McLaine, George Hawkins and J. Andrew likely will represent the Charlottetown Club at the annual bonspiel in Quebec the latter part of this month.

Quitting Baseball

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 9 — (AP) — After 15 years with Washington Senators, shortstop Cecil Travis is quitting baseball to take up farming.

Before entering the Army, Cecil's batting average was around the 230 mark. In 1946 he dropped to 250 and last year slumped to 218. "That was enough for me," said Travis. "I asked to be put on the voluntary retired list."

Travis' departure opens up opportunities for other players since they acquired playability from the disbanded Legion team and their strength now is undoubted. It should be a whale of a league bearing little resemblance to the one that was lined up less than a month ago.

BASKET BALL P.W.C. AUDITORIUM TONIGHT 7 P.M. 2 GAMES — Saints vs Navy Ray's vs P. W. C.

Admission: General 25c; Students 15c

Welterweight 72, Plans To Retire

SALEM, N. Y., Jan. 9 — (AP) — Fred Ladd, Washington County welterweight, plans one more fight and then he'll retire at 72.

Ladd has performed for three generations on 321 battles. He claims he never has been knocked out by an amateur.

His last fight, he says, will be a six-rounder with 49-year-old Marty Dwyer April 6.

Points—1-2
Team No. 1—
M. Matheson 101 184 122
N. MacDonald 212 147 173
G. Bagnall 133 175 160
A. Cameron 118 154 150
E. Hazard 94 80 89
Team No. 2—
J. Rogerson 137 93 123
L. MacDonald 161 201 132
L. Beaulieu 173 152 164
A. Sutherland 126 97 147
M. Weir 150 161 164
Total—1197.
Team No. 3—
High single C. Walsh 181.
High three C. Walsh 524.
Team No. 1-2 points.
Team No. 2-3 points.
Friday Afternoon Ladies League
Team No. 1—
H. Montgomery 108 147 177
G. Barbour 164 177 154
N. MacDonald 108 98 82
E. Roper 95 100 92

Down The Alleys

HOLY NAME ALLEYS
St. Joseph's Junior Sodality
Team No. 1—
Frances MacGuigan . 68 74 83
Theresa Arsenault . 137 141 163
Corinne Walker . 181 178 163
Total—1197.
Team No. 2—
Rotha Doyle 132 124 103
Phyllis Hessian 83 143 62
Lorraine MacNeely . 113 72 74
Anita McCabe 168 98 106
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