

# SPORTING NEWS

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## DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

Joe O'Brien, the Maritimes leading race driver, did not take long to make his presence felt in the land of Uncle Sam. His horses arrived at Topfield, Mass. fair grounds last Saturday where stalls had been reserved for them and Thursday evening he started three in the night racing events. Joe reports that they took to the lights like a duck takes to water. My Partner won his class in two straight heats, best time 2:10 3-5. Sister Henley also won her race in the same manner, best time 2:15. Lee's Nightmare's summary was 2-1, best time 2:16. The track was slow. We are indebted to our friend Dr. J. A. Donahue, North owner of My Partner and Sister Henley for the above interesting news. From Topfield Joe will move to Newbury, Mass. where the new night racing plant will be opened September 1st. He will be doing a great deal more competition but we hope that as usual he will get a good share of the purse money.

Charles Craig, Halifax has sold his consistent race winner Wilkin 208, to Richard Jobbins, North Sydney, and Scotty McKane 216-14 to J. D. Mehan, St. Stephen. We hope Charlie is not retiring from the sport but will be back racing again with a round with another good trotter in pacer.

George Turner, Dartmouth, met with a regrettable loss through the death of Quaker's Dud, by pneumonia in a N. B. last Wednesday. He was a good prospect.

Rhea Mae, that game and gallant black mare by Highland Scot 159 1-2, is being retired by P.C. Coates of Amherst, and will be sent to Hanover Shoe Farms, Hanover, Pa., to be bred to the holder of the world's pacing record, Billy Direct 1:55, now regarded as a phenomenal sire.

Bill Stewart, New Glasgow, N.S. whose stable was so popular in Maritime racing and was recently sold to Alex Parsons, London, Ont., is itching to be back in racing again and we understand that Patrick Abbe 2:09 1-2 that performed so creditably last season, is now on his way back to Bill's stable. He also owns Belle of Brookline 2:12, at Hanover Shoe Farms, where she has a filly by Billy Direct 1:55. At home there is a three-year-old by Abner T. Clegg that looks like another Ann Clegg.

Labor Day afternoon will find horsemen busy all through the Maritimes. Meets we know of are at North Sydney, Blue Acres, Bridgewater, N. S., Moncton and Chatham, N. B. and Montague, P.E.I. On Friday evening September 4th, there will be night racing at the Charlottetown track and on the following Wednesday and Thursday, September 10-11, Goodwill Races, always looked forward to as among the best two day meets of the season. The following week Charlie Willis will put on a two days meet at Covehead featured by a \$1000 Free for All.

David Neima and Bill Stewart, proprietors of Blue Acres Raceway, New Glasgow, N.S., intend putting in the lights for night racing next season. One or two other Maritime tracks are also thinking about it.

Through the courtesy of Frank Wilkison, Secretary and Counsel of the United States Trotting and Racing Association, we have received a report of the New York State Harness Racing Commission for 1946. It gives complete statistics of racing over the various tracks, number of days raced, the attendance, mutual handle, revenue to the state, revenue to the Association and the amount paid to the breeders in fact everything connected with the racing.

Regarding saliva tests to determine whether horses had been given "dope" or stimulants, it states 2,578 samples were taken and sent to the state laboratory out of which three were reported positive and 2,575 negative. Those positive were dealt with according to the regulations and afterwards sent to the U.S.T.A. for action. Not only were the samples taken from the horses

finishing first but were also taken from horses that finished other than first. There is no question but that the use of saliva tests has practically eliminated practices such as the above in the U. S. A. where state racing commissions have taken over.

A devastating epidemic has broken out at Rockingham Park, N.H., where over 800 runners are stabled. It is commonly known as swamp fever and the technical name is infectious anemia. The cause is an invisible virus and the disease is most prevalent in low lying and badly drained sections and is manifested by loss of appetite. It usually makes its appearance in June and increases in frequency until October. The period of incubation is from ten days to one and a half months. The virus is spread by flies, mosquitoes and parasites. Care should be taken by all stables to guard against it by washing utensils, brushes, etc., and disinfecting the stable with carbolic acid or Kresol daily.

At present we understand the horses at Rockingham Park are quarantined and considering the danger of such an outbreak being communicated it is not likely that any of those stabled there will be permitted to leave for a considerable time. It was expected that on the closing of Rockingham last Saturday the runners would go to Narragansett for Labor Day. Insurance representatives were on the grounds looking things over and they are faced with a tremendous loss as practically every horse stabled there is insured. State racing commissions, track officials, horsemen's associations and all concerned are in a dither and are holding meetings daily and often twice daily.

The possibility of the disease hitting the Maritimes is not to be overlooked and every racing commission should take the precautions as outlined above for disinfecting and keeping away the deadly virus which causes it. Since writing the above we understand that thirty-three racing plants are also under observation at Saratoga Springs race track, New York, for swamp fever. As yet no reports have reached us of trouble at any of the harness racing plants and we trust there will not be any.

The Nova Scotia Exhibition races at Truro drew a tremendous attendance and with the exception of Tuesday the weather was perfect. Tuesday's Races—2:19 Trot and Pace—Miss (Walker) 1-2-2; Cyclonic (Baker) 6-2-1; Mr. Philp (Allen) 2-3-5, five other starters, best time 2:11. 2:28 Trot and Pace, Ann Clegg (G. Calbeck) 2-2-1; E. Semple (C. 1-2-2; Princess Kalmuck (O'Connell) 3-3-5, five other starters, best time 2:15. 2:25 Pace—Jerry Grattan (Hankinson) 1-1-1; Goldie Duds (Turner) 4-2-5; E. Semple (Allen) 3-5-4; best time 2:15. 2:28 Trot and Pace, Second Division—Single Streak (Spence) 1-2-1; Aubrey Budions (Allen) 2-1-2; Joseph Victor (Miss (Walker) 4-4-3; Prince Marine (Wisener) 5-3-6; five other starters, best time 2:14 3-5 by Single Streak.

Wednesday's Races—Junior Free For All—Wilkies (Bailey) 1-1-1; The Walnut Abbe (MacLeod) 3-2-5; Gay Law (Allen) 2-5-4; Alcyone (Hennessy) 6-6-2, three other starters, best time 2:09. 2:20 Trot and Pace—Scotty Budions (Weir) 1-1-1; Marjorie Hanover (Burbine) 2-3-4; Pearl Bumpas (Lewis) 5-3-2; Colonel Dan (E. Semple) 4-2-5; E. Semple (Allen) 3-5-4; best time 2:15. 2:28 Trot and Pace, Second Division—Single Streak (Spence) 1-2-1; Aubrey Budions (Allen) 2-1-2; Joseph Victor (Miss (Walker) 4-4-3; Prince Marine (Wisener) 5-3-6; five other starters, best time 2:14 3-5 by Single Streak.

Thursday's Races—2:22 Trot—Mack Stout (Vickers) 1-2-1; Marion L. (T. Semple) 3-1-3; Quaker's Boy (Conroy) 4-3-2; Kelly's Nightmare (Shaw) 2-5-3; best time 2:14 by Mack Stout. 2:24 Trot and Pace—Vella La Vella

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## IN THE CORNER

Drawing near to the end of what has been a sensational series Anchors and Legionaries oppose each other in the fifth game of their playoffs tomorrow afternoon and there is reason to expect that the two squads will again dish up another game of the same exciting nature as the previous four has produced.

Likely it will be another hurling duel with Charlie Ryan and Lefty McAleer again opposing each other. In the three games McAleer has met in this series McAleer has been returned the winner in two and in addition to keeping the Anchor in the playoffs, Ryan would even matters up with the iron, one-man pitching staff the Legion have been using in this series.

Monday will see harness racing at Montague and the opening game of the junior baseball finals between Recce and Kinsmen and both events should draw more than a fair share of fans.

Secretary George McIntyre has lined up a likely looking bunch of trotters and pacers for his meeting at the lightning-like Montague track and fans are again very likely to witness another afternoon of upsets that have been so prominent in racing circles this season.

The Kinsmen-Recce clash should be another baseball thriller. All season long these two squads have been at each other's throats so keen is the rivalry between them and with everything at stake in this coming series that competition should actually be at razor edge.

Although Recce have gone through the league schedule without a defeat past performances will count for naught when the final test begins Monday afternoon at the Brighton Horseshoe Club last night scores being 51-44, 52-49 and 53-28. The second game was a particularly exciting one with the outcome in doubt right to the final toss.

Tuesday night the doubles tournament will get underway with club singles play beginning Wednesday night. Both competitions are for silver trophies and great interest is being evidenced in

## Anchors And Legion Play Fifth Game Of Series Tomorrow

Monday, Labor Day, the Knights of Columbus Field Day will be held at their recreation center, Victoria Park. Twenty-eight events are planned, with a cup for the best all round athlete and three prizes for each event. The program includes dashes from fifty yards to one hundred and twenty yards, wheel barrow races, 3-legged races, high jump, running broad jump, horse-back race and relay race. Professor Percy Barlow will be the starter. The first race will be called at 2 p.m. sharp. Be on hand early.

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## Juniors In Exhibition Tilt Tomorrow

Prepping for the opening of the City finals Charlie Ryan's Recce juniors will play an exhibition game with Summerside Kinsmen at the Park diamond Sunday that is scheduled to get underway at 1:30 sharp. The game will be limited to a seven inning stretch but fans should see some great ball between the two smart junior squads.

## Phillips And Slomka Win

Len Phillips and John Slomka took the measure of Bill Murley and Earl Goss in an exhibition horseshoe pitching encounter at the Brighton Horseshoe Club last night scores being 51-44, 52-49 and 53-28. The second game was a particularly exciting one with the outcome in doubt right to the final toss.

## Don't Miss The Dare Devils

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## HUNTERS' CORNER

The honour of being the first sportsman to purchase a non-resident hunting license at the new rate of \$35.00 goes to Franklin H. Palmer, Esq., resident of Wellesley, Mass. Although the hunting license had not left the printers, he deposited the money in advance and as soon as they were off the press, a licence will be left for him at Wallie Ross's cabin at Highfield. This sportsman is bringing a party of hunters with him when he comes to the Island in October.

Notwithstanding fellow Maritimers have been given a preferred rate of \$25.00 over all other residents, there has been quite a holler raised by some who have been shooting in this province regularly for some years past. This columnist wonders why the kick, particularly such a big kick, from a party of Nova Scotians. In a pamphlet "Nova Scotia Inland Fish and Game" published on the authority of the Minister of Industry and Publicity, the following is an abstract from Non-resident Licenses: "No person not resident in Nova Scotia shall hunt without a license. License fees—Big Game and Birds (except Woodcock and Snipe) \$50.00; Deer, \$25.00; Small Game and Birds (except Woodcock and Snipe), \$15.00; Woodcock and Snipe, \$5.00. Thus a resident of this province going to Nova Scotia to hunt small game and birds will have to pay fees totalling \$40.00 for the same privileges that a resident of Nova Scotia pays \$25.00 in this province.

In New Brunswick, the fee charged non-residents to hunt game birds is \$15.00. On the other hand Nova Brunswick has a non-resident angling fee of \$15.00 compared with this province's \$2.00. This license, however, does not include the fishery or use of unsalutary ice waters. Between May 24th and July 14th inclusive on the Restigouche Reserve Water the fee is \$30.00 per rod per day. Game fitting for sport costs money, and takes time. Owners of cabins who have fitted them with oil burners at considerable cost to accommodate guests who are, or were, expected to arrive in October are naturally concerned over the increased cost of non-resident hunting licenses.

Game bird shooting in this province compares very favourably with the glister Maritime province. Our Hungarian partridge shooting is as good as can be secured anywhere at the present time. It is excellent all season and is expected to be twice as good this fall. Snipe are abundant here and for those who enjoy this type of hunting this province offers as good sport if not better as can be obtained elsewhere. Black ducks are plentiful in late fall but one has to have the proper rig and equipment to hunt them successfully. Woodcock and Ruffed grouse are abundant in most localities but require considerable hunting in order to secure a few birds and can hardly be offered as a special drawing card for visiting sportsmen.

Our farmers are whole heartedly behind the raise in license fees. They feel that there are plenty of local gunners to wander over their farms and cause petty inconveniences, such as leaving gates open, etc. without having their numbers augmented by a host of visiting hunters. Hunting dogs brought here by non-resident gunners do not appear to be as well mannered as our local setters and pointers. Farmers have complained about their sheep having been chased and disturbed and of domestic poultry worried and killed by their hunting dogs.

One Orwell farmer told me that last October a party of gunners from the States were hunting on his land when one of their setters ran into his farm yard and killed one of his chickens. The owner was very much disturbed over the actions of his dog and apologized profusely after paying a dollar and half for the fowl in compensation. This particular farmer was well pleased with the action of this sportsman until a neighbor told him he saw this same hunting dog kill one of his hens in a field some distance from the farmyard, which incidentally was never reported by the hunter.

Domestic hens belong to the same family as pheasants, Hungarian partridge, etc., and sometimes it is hard for a young pup to draw the line and know when to

## Kinsmen Juniors Win Way Into City League Ball Finals

Dr. McNeill's Junior Kinsmen ball tossers yesterday battled their way into the Junior City League finals when they chalked up their second straight victory over the Knights of Columbus squad in the second game of the series after taking the opening encounter 10-7. The winners meet Recce Juniors in the finals which open Monday afternoon at the Park diamond at 2:30 p.m.

Receiving much stiffer opposition than in the first game, Kinsmen were forced to come from behind to win yesterday's tilt. Kinsmen matching the winners' opening run with a tally of their own in the last half of the first went ahead with a two run blast in the second after Kinsmen had scored another hit-one run ball in the seventh provided the winning runs. Knights broke their scoreless spell with a counter in the seventh but Kinsmen matched that one with one in the top half of the eighth that ended the scoring for the game.

Spy Ready coming in to relieve the starting Kinsmen hurler with one out in the second pitched two hits-one run ball in the rest of the way to chalk up his victory. Scout Coyle went the route for the losers giving up eight hits but poor support by his mates accounted for half of the runs scored against him.

**BOX SCORE**  
KINSMEN AB R H PO A E  
Whalen lf. 3 2 0 0 0  
Lund lb. 4 0 1 4 0 1  
DeLeon cf. 4 1 1 0 0  
McAdam ss. 3 0 0 2 0  
Kennedy 2b. 5 0 1 0 2  
Williams cf. 4 1 3 0 0  
Zaken 3b. 4 1 1 0 0  
Hughes c. 2 0 0 15 1  
McLennan p. 1 0 0 0 0  
"Ready p. 2 2 1 0 0  
"Calms 2b. 1 0 0 0 1  
Totals 33 9 24 4 4  
"Replaced McLennan in 2nd.  
"Batted for McAdam in eighth.  
KNIGHTS AB R H PO A E  
Leonard ss. 4 0 1 0 0  
McDonald 3b. 4 0 2 1 2  
Stull lf. 4 3 2 0 1  
Shepherd 2b. 3 0 0 3 1  
McNeil lf. 4 0 1 0 0  
Trainer lb. 3 1 2 7 0  
McCallum c. 2 0 1 1 2  
Coyle p. 4 0 0 4 1  
Burke cf. 3 0 0 0 0  
Totals 31 5 24 14 6

**SUMMARY**  
Earned runs: Kinsmen 4, Knights 3; runs batted in: DeLeon, Lund, Kennedy, Burke, McNeill, Trainer; two base hit: McNeill, McNeil;

Three base hit: Stull, Williams; stolen base: Whalen, Hughes, Shepherd 2, Stull, McNeill, Trainer; left on base: Kinsmen 11; Knights 8; base on balls: off Coyle 6; off McLennan 2; off Ready 1; first base by Coyle; McLennan; Hughes 1; McCallum 1; hits off McLennan 3 in 1-3 innings; off Ready 2 in 6-3 innings; off Coyle 8 in 4 innings; runs off Ready 3; by Coyle 1; Coyle 1; winning pitcher, Ready; losing pitcher Coyle.

Umpire—George Francis.  
By Innings: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
Kinsmen 1 1 0 2 0 1 1 1 0  
Knights 1 2 1 0 0 1 0 4 0

## Wilkin Gets New Owner

HALIFAX, Aug. 29—(CP)—Wilkin, one of the best known pacers in the Maritimes, has been sold to Richard Jobbins of North Sydney by Charles J. Craig of Halifax. He was announced here today.

## MONTAGUE RACES LABOUR DAY SEPT. 1st \$1830.00 IN PURSES

RACES START AT 1:00 P. M.  
NO. 1 CLASSIFIED—PURSE \$400.00  
BONNIE BOY, owned by John Harrison, Summerside  
DARY BUDLONG, owned by Geo. MacIntyre, Montague  
TALUHI, owned by Irving MacGibbon, St. Stephen, N. B.  
PRINCE BUDLONG, owned by Harold Cudmore, Brackley  
MISS KNOX, owned by Geo. Buntain, Charlottetown  
LORAINE ABBE, owned by James MacNeil, Kensington  
ELEANOR G, owned by Urban Gillis, Miscouche.

NO. 1 CLASSIFIED TROT—PURSE \$400.00  
BUDDY MOKO, owned by George Brooks, Kensington  
NELL KALMUCK, owned by Wilford Kelly, Charlottetown  
KELLY'S NIGHTMARE, owned by Dr. Geo. Bishop, Ch'Woods  
BILLY KALMUCK, owned by Leo Howard, Cornwall  
EVA WORTHY, owned by Dr. Preston MacIntyre, Montague  
LUSTICIA, owned by C. H. Chandler, Ch'Woods  
MARION L, owned by Geo. Semple, Kensington  
BEAVERDALE, owned by Donald MacNeil, Summerside.

NO. 1 CLASSIFIED PACE—PURSE \$400.00  
LADY BOBE, owned by Wilfred Fraught, Cherry Valley  
JUST FLICKA, owned by Harold Cudmore, Brackley  
JUST BETTY, owned by Dr. F. R. Seaman, Ch'Woods  
BER BUDLONG, owned by B. H. Yeo, Montague  
DARY BUDLONG, owned by Geo. MacIntyre, Montague  
MARJORIE BUDLONG, owned by James MacNeil, Southport  
MARY MERCK, owned by Irving MacGibbon, St. Stephen, N. B.  
BUDDY BUDLONG, owned by Harold Stead, Brackley  
BILLY COWN, owned by Percy Soyars, Summerside  
C. A. BUDLONG, owned by Brent Howat, Charlottetown  
JAY VOLO, owned by Cyril Semple, Kensington  
CALUMET BEERLONG, owned by Arthur Bryenton, Ch'Woods.

120 TROT VICTORIA DRIVING CLUB STAKE—PURSE \$600.00  
ARCHIE LEE, owned by Roland Wood, Southport  
GUY HARVESTER, owned by Mill & Williams, Ch'Woods  
DOROTHY ABELLE, owned by Randall MacDonald, Montague  
BREWSTER BOY, owned by J. Leo Fraught, Cherry Valley  
BONNIE DALE, owned by Oscar Bird, Piquet  
BUD KALMUCK, owned by John Ladd, Central  
JUST BILL, owned by Thomas Agnew, Central  
GEORGE GUY, owned by Arthur Jay, Borden  
MISS BREWER, owned by Fred Reddin, Southport.

Horses declared and positions drawn at Hugh Walker's Livery Stable, Charlottetown, Saturday, Aug. 29 at 5:30 P. M.  
GEORGE MCINTYRE, Secretary, Montague

## Night Races

CANADA'S FINEST RACE TRACK  
Friday, Sept. 5th  
Races Called At 8 O'clock  
3 Races -- 9 Heats  
Entries close 6 o'clock Wednesday, September 3rd at  
Exhibition Office, Kent Street, opposite CFCY.

H. J. KENNEDY, President  
G. H. BUNTAIN, Secretary

## MAMMOTH AIR SHOW

Saturday, August 30th  
PARACHUTE JUMP  
AEROBATICS  
MR. "X" STUNT  
ETC., ETC.,  
Evening Public Dance  
(Meet the Pilots)  
SPORTING CLUB  
DON MESSER AND HIS ISLANDERS  
Sponsored By Paul's Flying Service

In connection with this event which is expected to draw record entry list of pedal pushers riders are reminded that they must have amateur cards before they can participate. These cards are obtainable from Major A. W. Rogers at the Department of Veterans Affairs Office or from Col. W. W. Reid, president of the Maritime Athletic Amateur Union at the Travel Bureau office, Queen Street.