DOWN - THE - BACK STRETCH

During the Chatham, N. B. races the pacer Prince Charlie, owned by A. B. Cutcliffe of this city, was sold to parties there and Mitzi Bars 2.14, bay mare by Grattan Bars and Miss O'Neill, purchased by a Covehead-Charlottetown syndicate which includes Mr. Cutcliffe. Harold Cudmore is also the new owner of Just Flicka 2.17½, formerly owned by Peter McMahon, Kensington. These three will line up for the ice races this winter.

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We hope our friends the horsemen from the Maritimes will thoroughly enjoy themselves next week and no doubt they will, at the 7th annual auction of standard bred horses at York Interstate Fair Grounds, York, Pa. It is rumored that Commander G. H. Buntain and Well McNeill will make the trip by air with the intention of buying a fast trotter or pacer. There is lots of speed for sale at this auction but the great proportion of it consists of yearling colts and fillies which it will take quite a while to get ready for the racing fray. The scarcity of record trotters and pacers is due to the opportunity for dash racing which has grown up in the past few years. For instance a horse enters in a race of three dashes. These will be at distances of one mile, 5 1/8 furlongs and 1 1/16 miles. Very few horses perform well at all three distances and the result is that the horse winning at 5 1/8 furlongs may be last in the race at 1 1/16 miles. The idea is to make the racing more chancey and therefore better from a pari-mutuel standpoint. Roosevelt million dollar raceway near New York held 94 nights of racing during the season of 1945 and the total number of racegoers was 811,504, an average of about 8,000 per night. These wagered $28,498,428, an average of $35.00 each.

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A list of race tracks that were in operation after the first Great War appeared in a letter to The Guardian recently but it missed a couple. Going back into ancient history, or rather looking over summaries of fifty years ago—1895—we find races were held at Charlottetown, Lakeside Park, Wellington, Cymbria Park, Rustico, Riverside Park, Alberton, Cozy Glen Park, Tignish, Georgetown, Roseville Trotting Park, Roseville, North Tryon, Upton Park, Souris Driving Park, Prairie Park, Avondale, Summerside.

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In a report of the Provincial Exhibition races, Charlottetown, held Wednesday, September 22nd, 1897, we find that the timers were Dr. H. D. Johnston and Mr. P. S. Brown. The distance judge was Mr. Hooper Horne. The 2.35 class was won by Bye-and-Bye, by Administrator, owned by Owen Hughes, Montague, and driven by Johnny McCabe It went to seven heats before Bye-and-Bye captured the $150 purse. Shaver, by Preceptor, owned by Andrew McRae and driven by Craswell, won second money. There were 11 starters. Names we can recollect among them are Hatisu by Golden, owned by Milford Farm (Dr. James Warburton) Charlottetown; Heridic, owned by R. J. (Bobby) Wood and driven by Ronnie Steele; Fleetwood by Preceptor, owned by Harry Morris, Charlottetown.

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On the same day and track the Free for All was won by Warren Guy, owned and driven by Harry Lydiard of Kentville, after seven heats had been raced. Minota, owned by J. R. Lamey of Amherst, and driven by Cox won second money; Montrose by Almont Wilkes, owned by Reddin Bros., and driven by R. J. Steele, third money; three other starters; best time 2.19¼, which was a new record for the Charlottetown race track and was made by Warren Guy in the seventh heat.

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The writer can remember the starter, Dr. J. H. Reid, professor of veterinary science at the agricultural college, Guelph, whose deeply booming voice required no megaphone and could be heard distinctly all over the grounds. How he could roll off that W-a-r-r-e-n G-u-y! It took an iron horse to race in those old days and while we may wonder why they did not go fast we can also remember that they went a great many more miles. The idea then was to train a horse to have him stay up so that he could be right there at the finish. We find Montrose winning the first two heats in the race referred to above won by Warren Guy, the time being 2.21¾, 2.20¾ and being 3 2 2 3 3 in the others.

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Right after that terrible seven heat race we find Montrose starting again September 23rd in the 2.28 class and winning second money with a summary of 2 1 1 2 7 2. One of the contestants in this class was Billy McKie by Allright, owned by the late Senator J. J. Hughes, Souris, father of Hon. Wade Hughes. In the Gentlemen Driver's class same day Lark, owned by Owen Trainor, was 1-1; Belle Sanford, owned by James MacLeod, Summerside, 2-2. Another starter was Mercedes, owned by George E. Hughes, Charlottetown.

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The concluding paragraph of the report of the races published in our local newspaper was: "With this race ended a great race meeting, one of the best ever held in Canada, with magnificent trotting and splendidly contested races. Never did we see in such large fields of starters so little breaking and everything carried out so smoothly. This meeting put seven horses in the 2.30 list, giving several of them low marks and breaking a number of records. Twenty heats were trotted in better than 2.30 and 2.40½ was the slowest of the meeting. Montrose, for instance, trotted 13 heats, four of which he won. The Maritime record was broken by Montrose, Warren Guy and Minota."

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Looking through the old stuff we find Horse Memories, by C.E. McKenzie, from which we extract the following: "Souris Driving Club staged their second meeting of 1892 on September 26th, the card carrying three events. A green race and three-year-old race and a named race. In the first class there were five starters and it was won in straight heats by Billy McKie, named after W. S. McKie. The colt race had three entries and Tip, a chestnut colt by Prospector, led all the way home in each heat with Heliotrope, a daughter of Apothecary, bred by George E. Hughes, winning second money and a bay colt, Clear Spring, owned by James Nolan, third money.

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"In connection with the P. E. I. Exhibition (1892) the management staged two days racing opening September 28th. In the first class, three minute, Favorite distanced the field in the first heat in 2.33½ and the other entries trotted off for positions, resulting in a victory for Balston, recently imported from California by W.A. Brennan. Third money went to Fairy Queen, bred by Everett McLure, North Rustico, and owned by Wallace Rodd, Brackley Point Road. The chief attraction of the Charlottetown meeting was the stallion race. Speculation led the way home in each heat with the New Glasgow owned Israel making him sweat for his money. Parkside 2.21½, imported from Leland-Stanford Farm, Palo Alto, California, and owned by W. A. Brennan, made it hot for the winners, finishing with a 3 2 3 score. Harry C. finished fourth in the first and second heats and had the red flag waved in his face by distance judge McMahon in the final heat. Time, 2.30, 2.29½, 2.30¼. In the next day's racing, September 29th, the Free for All was won by Israel, owned by A. C. Bell, New Glasgow, with 1 1 1; Speculation and Minnie Grey had two two's and a three and two three's and a two, respectively, best time 2.27½, the fastest time of the meet."

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In the rush and tear of the racing season we forgot to comment in these notes on the death of George Starr, age 93, who passed away at Louisville, Kentucky, August 28th. Starr became early attracted to horses, as did his brother Frank, and not only raced in the United States but also in Europe. He was one of the most successful men ever connected with the sport. His first employer was the late W. H. Doble, whose son Budd drove Nancy Hanks to a world's trotting record of 2.04½ in 1892. Other people for whom Starr trained included Monroe Salisbury, who was given the sobriquet of "Kingmaker" because of the many horses which he brought out and raced as winners or record breakers. Starr also trained and raced horses for William Simpson, owner of the famous stallions McKinney and Axworthy for which he paid over $70,000.

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The high point in his career was the lowering of the world's record for pacers with Direct, when he raced in 2.06 trotting to beat the record of Johnston 2.06¼ that stood for seven years. Later Direct reduced his record to 2.05½ for Starr. This was in 1891 when he was training for Salisbury whom he persuaded to allow him to work Direct as a pacer after he had gone lame as a trotter. It is probably safe to credit Starr with the starting of the Direct family of pacers which included Napoleon Direct 1.59½, sire of Billy Direct 4, 1.55, now the world's champion harness horse.

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Starr's success with trotters and pacers was so phenomenal and he was so versatile that his name will go down in harness horse records for all time. He rode Johnston to a record of 2.13¼ under saddle and he set a pole team record of 2.14½ with Gold Leaf and Sally Simmons. Sally later became famous as the dam of the world's champion race trotter Hamburg Belle 2.01¼, which made her record in a race beating the great Uhlan, later the world's champion trotter. Interesting to Islanders is the fact that the man who shod Hamburg Belle for that race was George Warren, now a successful farmer and breeder of foxes at Alberton. Other champions made by Starr were Vinette 2.09¼, world's champion pacing mare, and the first one of her sex to beat 2.10. He gave Flying Jib a record of 2.04¼ and he also made Monbars the champion three-year-old by giving him a record of 2.11¼. Monbars was later sold to parties in Ontario where he aired considerable speed. He is best known as the sire of the dam of Grattan Bars 1.59¼, greatest money winning pacer of all time.

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To recite all the great things done by Starr would fill pages. Suffice to say that during the two years he trained horses for Monroe Salisbury, the Kingmaker had the greatest years of his career. With six horses he won $35,000 and the following season won $65,000 with nine horses. Starr was known as Gantleman George, because of his splendid manners on and off the turf. In his later days after he had practically retired as a trainer he took in hand The Northern Man, a fast son of Todd but very unsound, and started him six times for a time record. The first time he trotted in 2.15½ and the sixth and last time in 2.06¼. He became a noted sire, his fastest performer being Anna Bradford's Girl 1.59¼, dam of some of the great pacers of recent years.

Rome's first aqueduct was built by consul Appius Claudius in 312 B.C. He also built the great Appian Way.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of The Charlottetown Curlers will be held in the Club rooms Oct. 20, 1945, at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

By order of

The Directors.

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SPORTING NEWS

K. Of C. Recreation Centre Prizes Presented

Last evening at the Knights of Columbus Hall a social evening was held during which prizes were presented to winners in softball and quoits at the recreation centre. Because of the grading and resurfacing of the tennis courts the tournament was deferred until next year.

A large number of young members of the centre were present and a very pleasing program of music and dancing was carried out which was greatly enjoyed by all.

The lecturer, Leonard MacDonald, presided and called upon Mr. S. F. Doyle, Prof. Barlow and Mr. D. E. Noonan who gave appropriate addresses to the boys and girls on "playing the game."

The following program was carried out: piano selections, Miss Barbara Doyle and Miss Joyce Cantwell; solos, Mr. Chester Donovan, Mr. Frank McIntyre, Miss Nilda Arsenault, Miss Joan Weir; violin selections, Mr. Alfred McKearney, Mr. Connie LeClair; tap dance, Miss Teresa Costello; stepdance, Mr. Connie LeClair. Music for the dance was furnished by Miss Gwen Keenan and Mr. Alfred McKearney.

The presentation of prizes was as follows: Knights of Columbus cup, won by the Wings, champions of the senior softball league, and presented to Mr. Reginald Whelan; the Knights of Columbus cup, won by the Cubs, champions of the junior softball league, and presented to the captain, Allison Tulle, as was also the Rev. Louis A. Dougan prize; the Vernon Maddigan cup, for the best all-round athlete at the track and field meet, was presented to the winner, Mr. Thomas Flynn; the Arthur Campbell silver tray for the champion quoits player of the year was presented to the winner, Mr. R. E. Bradley.

The serving of ice cream and cake, followed by the singing of the National Anthem, brought to a close a most enjoyable evening.

Tony Janiro Wins Bout

(By The Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Oct. 19—Tony Janiro, young welterweight title contender from Youngstown, O., handed Al Guido a boxing lesson tonight to outpoint his Brooklyn rival easily in their rubber eight-round match at the St. Nicholas Arena.

Janiro kept the wild swinging Brooklynite off balance throughout with rapid-fire lefts that puffed Guido's face. Several times Janiro landed perfectly timed rights that set Guido back on his heels. There were no knockdowns. Janiro weighed 145½ to 140 for Guido.

The only other fighter to hold a decision over Janiro, Johnny Greco of Montreal will meet the youngster in Madison Square Garden here in November in another rubber match.

Bobsledders To Return To Action

(By The Associated Press)

ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 19—Bobsledders "grounded" by the war, will get their first crack in three years this season at the Mount Van Hoevenberg Olympic bobsled run at Lake Placid.

The North American, national and amateur athletic union championships will be held on the course early next year.

Governor Dewey of New York and legislative leaders approved today the expenditure of $12,000 to recondition the course for the opening, expected about Jan. 1.

Fight Manager Is Arrested

(By The Associated Press)

NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 19—John Napurano, Newark fight manager, surrendered today to detectives after a warrant was issued charging him with attempted bribe in connection with the Fiducia-Schott fight at Madison Square Garden Sept. 10.

The warrant, issued after the New Jersey Boxing Commissioner, John H. Hall, had turned the case over to the Essex County prosecutor for further investigation, charged Napurano attempted to bribe Newark heavyweight Freddie Fiducia by offering him $3,000 and 10 per cent of Fred Schott's purse.

Napurano was held in $1,000 bail pending Grand Jury action.

Toronto Boxer Loses To Yankee

WORCESTER, Mass., Oct. 19 — (AP) — Oscar St. Pierre, 135, of Fall River, was awarded an unanimous decision over Steve Bellus, 134, of Toronto, in an eight-round bout tonight.

NO ELECTRIC BILL IN NOV.

VICTORIA, Oct. 19 —(CP)— For the third successive year, electricity users in Vancouver, the lower mainland, Vancouver Island and Kamloops will receive no bills for the month beginning Nov. 15, Premier Hart announced today Consumers will benefit to the extent of $800,000.

Kraut Line To Be Bruins' Atomic Bomb, Clapper Says

This is the third of a Canadian Press series on preseason prospects of the N.H.L. clubs. Today's story covers Boston Bruins. Monday: Detroit Red Wings.

By PIERRE LE MOYNE

QUEBEC, Oct. 20—(CP)—Aubrey (Dit) Clapper, manager of Boston Bruins, speaking with a chip on his shoulder:

"So Montreal's Dick Irvin believes only an atomic bomb can stop his punch line of Maurice Richard, Elmer Lach and Toe Blake, eh? Well you tell Irvin the Boston Bruins have this atomic bomb—the Kraut line—and it will explode no later than Oct. 24 when Bruins open the National Hockey League schedule in Boston against Chicago Black Hawks, and when they meet Canadiens at Boston Nov. 4."

Clapper told what he thought of his team's prospects as he watched his players go through a fast scrimmage at their training centre in Quebec City.

"We have a good goaltender, a strong defence, three well-balanced forward lines and what's more we have plenty of reserve, so nothing can stop us from being in there battling for first place all year along."

Paul Bibeault will be in the Boston nets again this season. "Bibeault always was a good man, but he was handicapped by tonsil trouble last winter. However, he has been operated on since, and has been showing up smartly in practice. Watch him go this year!"

Harvey Bennett, 21-year-old graduate from Oshawa Generals who played a few games for Bruins last season, will be spare goalie.

On defence will be veteran Johnny Crawford, whom Clapper considers the outstanding rearguard in the league; Pat Egan, who "is still improving at 27," according to Clapper, "but if he could only keep his temper!" Murray Henderson, 23, who joined Boston in the middle of last season; and "Old Dit" himself—for an all-time record of 19 consecutive seasons with the same team.

Clapper feels that he has at least one more good season in him. "Why, I'm only 38," he grinned.

The Bruins' prize package, the Kraut line, may be the surprise of the year. Judging by the way they have been travelling in practice, Bobby Bauer, Woody Dumart and Milt Schmidt may end all controversy as to whether returning servicemen can take up where they left off in hockey.

"Those boys have been out of organized hockey for more than three years and yet they look as if they had finished the season with us last year," Clapper said.

He was eager to see them in action against Canadiens' punch line. It would be the best line of the strong pre-war hockey calibre against the top line of wartime competition.

The second line, Boston's kid line, will have three ex-servicemen with previous N.H.L. experience: Don Gallinger, 20, Red Guidolin, 20, and Bill Shill, 22.

An unexpected return to the Boston lineup is Terry Reardon who will be on the third line with veterans Bill Cowley and Herbie Cain. Reardon suffered a serious shoulder wound with the 1st Canadian Army in France, and didn't expect to don a hockey uniform again, but to his own surprise he's not having the least bit of trouble in making a comeback.

All in all, playing manager Clapper is satisfied to stack his three lines and rearguards against the best the rest of the league can offer.

British Golf Tourney In '46

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland, Oct. 19 (Reuters)—The British open golf championship will be held during the first week of July, 1946, and the amateur golf championship during the last week of May, the Royal and Ancient Golf Clubs announced here tonight.

Remember When

By The Canadian Press

Ottawa Roughrider's loss of the services of Tony Golab, one of the finest Canadian footballers, was announced two years ago tonight. Golab suffered a severe back injury when the Riders defeated Toronto Argos 41—6 in a Big Four clash the preceding day.

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THE HUNTERS' CORNER

The battle of the pheasants is over, at least will be when this appears in print. As predicted the casualties have been light, even lighter than this scribe anticipated. Despite the fact that hundreds of gunners were out seeking a pheasant dinner the number of Cock birds reported bagged at time of writing (Thursday night) is slightly under 60. With one more day to go and with some shot probably unreported to date it is possible the total kill will reach the 100 mark.

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Considering the number of gunners out and the number of pheasants present in some districts the percentage of Cocks shot will not make any appreciable difference in their numerical superiority over the hens. To date no banded birds have been reported shot. A year ago this fall approximately 60 banded cock pheasants were released in different parts of the province. They were given their liberty, along with a somewhat greater number of hens, at Roseneath, Montague, West River, Milton and Suffolk. So far just one of those banded cock birds have been reported and it was killed by a car at Brackley Beach early this fall and the band turned in to the Charlottetown detachment of the R. C. M. P. Providing the released pheasants survived the winter the bulk of them are still at large. All told 126 pheasants of both sexes were released in the early fall of 1944. They were the result of an experiment of the P. E. I. Fish and Game Protection Association to hatch pheasant eggs in incubators and raising the chicks to maturity before releasing them. The heavy mortality among the chicks hatched combined with a low fertility in the eggs showed that this method was unfeasible due to excessive cost.

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The relatively low kill during the five-day open season is not surprising to any who have made a study of the pheasant. The old Cock Ring-neck is a wily bird. He can practically read one's mind and has the uncanny knack of sensing when an onlooker is harbouring evil thoughts toward him. Gunners who started out on the opening morning feeling sorry for the Old Ring-Necks and almost dreading the walk back to their cars carrying the limit of five on their backs (they weigh between 3 and 4 pounds each) wound up by feeling sorry for themselves.

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Natural conditions in this province are not conducive to heavy bags of pheasants. There are too many convenient wooded covers close to hand. As mentioned earlier the pheasant believes in running and he can run a lot faster than a man. When he sees danger approaching he simply ducks his, or her, head and heads for the nearest heavy cover, a woodlot preferred, and when he reaches it keeps on running. He doesn't stop at the edge and allow himself to be forced to take flight by a fast working dog, but carries on right into the interior of the woods. In the Dakotas, where pheasants are shot by the millions each fall, the terrain is entirely different. In most sections it is as flat as a table and devoid of trees. When the pheasant seeks cover he is forced to repair to long, narrow grassy swales or the edges of irrigation ditches. Setters or Pointers are seldom used in the middle West where pheasants are thick as flies. Instead the gunners form in line and beat a swale or stretch of "shooked" corn, after posting a guard at the opposite end, and the birds are driven into a trap and forced into taking flight. Gunners who have taken part in such drives contend that at times there are hundreds of pheasants in the air at once.

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One thing that sportsmen with hunting dogs have learned is this: It is a simple matter to raise coveys of pheasants in September when they are young and immature and act their age. When the middle of October rolls around it's a horse of another color. The coveys are inclined to break up and scatter and the dogs have a hard time unravelling out a maze of scent trails, and by the time they think they have the problem worked out the birds are somewhere on the next farm. It is also thought that the two weeks' open season on Hungarian partridge preceeding the pheasant season resulted in putting the wise old cock birds no their mettle. The pheasant is a splendid game bird and ranks tops on the table with meat resembling the domestic turkey, but he will never rank as a sporting bird in this country, it's too hard to get him to take wing. He's one of those duck and run guys. The gamey little Hun is tops when it comes to real sport. In the five-day open season the multi-coloured beauties have ably demonstrated that they are well able to look out for themselves, and it is just as well that they are, for they would have short shift if they were not. They are more widely distributed over the province than was thought at the opening of the season. Birds have been reported shot as far east as Cable Head and as far west as Hunter River.

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Gunners who were bewailing the scarcity of black ducks need no longer worry over the lack of targets. At present thousands of black ducks are lining our tidal shores and are beginning to move into our rivers. Hardy gunners who have braved the nasty weather during the first part of the week have been amply rewarded. As table birds they are at their best at the present time. After November comes in they begin to feed on a species of Marine snail and develop a somewhat fishy flavour. When they are cooking, an aroma reminding one of fresh herring in the pan, permeates through the house. Many do not object to the slightly off flavour which is not so pronounced as one is led to think when the bird is in the oven, but to all who prefer the mild, gamey flavour of prime black duck, now is the time to get them. However, to be able to secure a reasonable bag one has to have a good stool of decoys and also has to know his business.

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Last week, Lloyd Wonnacott, City, had the good luck to bag a big drake Mallard. Although the Mallard is typically a western duck, the odd one is bagged in this province each year. This is the first reported to date. They rank slightly higher than the black duck as a table bird and are a little larger The heavy flight of ducks that have appeared this past week will in all probability hold until the freeze-up. Canada geese have also made their appearance, but are reported more numerous in the western section of the province, although a few scattered flocks are patronizing Queen's county. It is thought that the bulk of the geese will not arrive until the first week in November, providing they hold to the schedule followed this past two years.

THE INTERNATIONALITY OF SCOUTING
(By Red Pine)

In "Scouting for Boys", B.P. refers to Scouting as a World Brotherhood and Scouts should realize that they are part of an organization (we use the word for lack of a better one) that can be one of the greatest forces in keeping the peace.

There are numerous other organizations which boast of their world-wide affiliations, but Scouting is the only one which deals in the training of BOYS to think on a world brotherhood basis.

The Scouts of today will be the community and national leaders of tomorrow, and should always remember that with the services of atomic energy at the world's disposal, nations must be world-minded.

Of course B P. also reminded the boys of their patriotic duty as citizens of the Empire, but B.P. had the vision to see that all countries have citizens of whom they may be proud and he urged boys to respect and admire and to imitate those citizens who have made contributions to he world's good.

In 1947, and that's not so very far away, Scouts from all over the world will meet for an International Scout Jamboree in France and while we have no definite word about who will represent P E I, we intend to find out as soon as we can and will let you fellows know directly. In the meantime, keep the INTERNATIONALITY OF SCOUTING in your mind regardless of what part of Scout work you may be doing at the present time.

FIRST CHARLOTTETOWN (ST. DUNSTAN'S BASILICA) TROOP

P.L. Abe Zakem of the Beaver Patrol was the winner of the Kite flying Contest which was held for the St. Dunstan's Basilica Troop on Wednesday afternoon.

Abe was successful in rasing his large kite on the first try and managed to keep it flying all afternoon despite heavy showers of rain, not to mention Tommy Kay's efforts to sabotage his success by entangling the string of his midget kite in midair with that of Abe's.

P.L. Frank Zakem, Owl Patrol, with the assistance of Scout Billy Carney managed to raise his ship fairly successfully, but then only after repeated failures due to breakage in the faulty string, he was using, only to have it crash dive after the tails in some inexplicable manner became separated from the kite.

A.S.M. Lorne MacDonald of the Sixth Troop was present during the contest and assisted in judging the flying.

THAT LONG-PROMISED SONG BOOK

The Charlottetown Scouters' Club has finally received the first few hundred copies of the Song Book which it undertook quite some time ago to publish.

It is nicely printed in clear type and sports a very attractive heavy cover. Every Scout and Cub on the Island, and especially those who attended the past summer's camps, will surely be anxious to have one. All the old popular camp-fire favorites appear in the large number of snappy songs which appear in the book.

Charlottetown Leaders received copies at the last meeting of the Club, and all were very much impressed with the results of their combined efforts. Out of town Leaders will receive theirs within a short time.

The song book appears at a very opportune time, as it will no doubt be of great value to those who will attend the coming Indoor Rally and sing-song which is to be held in the very near future. Copies of the book may now be purchased at the Scout Office. Get yours before they run out, as a second printing will not appear for some time.

NEW SCOUT TROOP

A new Scout Troop with all new Scouts got under way with a bang on September 14, 1945. This troop is composed of boys from the Charlottetown Royalty, and the Parkdale Women's Institute have kindly given them the use of their hall. This is one of the "nest halls in use at the present time for the carrying on of Scouting activities and the troop are looking forward to a winter of real Scouting.

Ten boys are now on their Tenderfoot Tests and will be under the able leadership of Mr. L. Casserly, who had kindly accepted the position of Scoutmaster.

Mr. Casserly, though a new man in Scout work, had had considerable experience in outdoor activities, and it is felt the troop will gain considerable knowledge because Scouting is primarily an out-of-door activity to prepare our boys to look after themselves when they are either in the fields, woods or on the sea.

The boys are now learning the Scout laws, composition of the flag, Scout signs and now to tie knots. With active games and a sing-song, the evening passes so quickly the boys are impatient for the next night of meeting.

ZIGAMALA and "Good Scouting" to the new troop.

7TH CH'TOWN PACK (ST. PAUL'S)

Under the leadership of Louise Hooper and Alberta Bryant, the 7th Ch'town Pack is getting off to a good start. At the last meeting lairs for the coming year were selected as follows: Blue—Tommy Scantlebury; Green—Keir Proctor; Red—John MacDougall.

Congratulations John MacDougall, Tommy Scantlebury and Jim Wood on receiving your 1st Star. Good Hunting, Boys.

Two enthusiastic Scouts, David Wood and George Scantlebury have been of great help in the Pack in leading games and assisting at the Red Flowers. These boys are working for their Cub Instructor's Badge.

6TH CH'TOWN (HOLY REDEEMER) PATROL HIKE

Last Saturday a group of boys under the leadership of Alfred Hennessey went on a very successful hike. The boys were all in Alfred's Patrol, except Joseph Coyle who was not then a Scout but has joined since.

They left about 9 o'clock in the morning and proceeded out the North River Road. After several miles of tramping, Joe decided to give us all a rest. In a few minutes the boys were moving again, after tramping a few more miles they found an ideal spot to make a fire to cook their dinner. The spot was in the centre of some woods, a long ways from any roads or houses.

The boys went to work without any persuasion to get some firewood. When enough wood had been gathered, a fire pit was dug by Joe Coyle and Jack Duncan. The fire was started and the meal was cooked. When the boys were ready to eat, Ralph Trainor decided to show us the correct way to eat while camping. The examples were so good that after about three minutes of laughing, they could again begin to eat.

After putting the fire out rather hurriedly, they packed up and moved on. They came to a spring and decided to rig up a rope, so they could have some fun swinging over the stream. Alfred rigged up a bar and rope over the stream and all the boys got across safely except Joe, who fell in the middle and was wet from his throat to his toes.

After other sports, the boys packed up and started the long, long walk home in the wonderful rain.

The above column of an account of a patrol hike of the Sixth Ch'town troop was written by one of the boys, although a lot might be said pro or con for changing it for better wording. We thought it best to leave it in the boy's own words as after all it does give you Scouts encouragement.

Last night the Scouters' Club held a special meeting in St. Paul's Hall. Various subjects were brought up and spirited discussions followed each. The date for Apple Day was set for Sat. Nov 3rd., starting at nine thirty in the morning. Zoning of the city was decided on and it is understood each pack and troop will combine and sell in the one zone allotted for each.

The Tov Shop came in for its share of discussion and as yet, the date for the show has not been decided but it is hoped to have it some time in November. The meeting adjourned and everbody retired to the piano to try out the new Boy Scout song book. This report might close with "the ladies served a delicious lunch" but as it was a special meeting no lunch was served — But I still think we were gypped.

There are still quite a few troops who haven't as yet had a report for this news column of any activities. So lets hear from you once in awhile.

DON'T FORGET

That Apple Day is coming up — So—SCOUTS, be prepared! That there is going to be a toy shop and we need all of you to help and contribute That the rally for Scout's and Cubs is going to be in St. Peter's Hall at the end of October. So P L 's and troops, help and cooperate with your leaders to produce your skits.

Yours in Scouting,
Grey Owl.

Eldon Woman Is Added To Mt. A. Board Of Regents

(By The Associated Press)

SACKVILLE, N. B., Oct. 19—The annual fall meeting of the Regents of Mount Allison educational institutions was held today with Norman A. Hesler, Sackville, chairman of the board, presiding.

To fill two vacancies, the board appointed as regents Ralph P. Bell, Halifax, and Sgt. Edgar A. Dixon, Sackville, for four-year terms. In addition, Mrs. A. G. Putnam, Eldon, P.E.I., has been appointed a regent by the Mount Allison Federated Alumni.

Reports of the institutions revealed a total enrolment of 1,004, including 113 veterans of the Second Great War. Enrolment at the University totals 758.

Naval Auxiliary Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary to H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte was held in the wardroom last evening. Reports on the activities for the past year were read and adopted.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: patroness, Mrs. J.A. Bernard; honorary president, Mrs. Charles A. MacKenzie; past president, Mrs. Ira Brown; president, Mrs Stephen Trainor; vice-president, Mrs. S.G. Peppin; secretary, Mrs. Pearl VanBuskirk; treasurer, Mrs. R.C. MacMillan. Members of the executive are Mrs. E.G. Saunders, Mrs George Godkin, Mrs. A. Agnew, Mrs. R. Morris.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Ira Brown, retiring president for her efficient work during the past two years.

With the local hockey season just around the corner, so to speak, many of the fans have been wondering just what is in store for them the coming season. This writer cannot at the present time give any definite answer but it appears that in addition to the senior league there will be a junior league in operation also.

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With many of the former players back from overseas and just waiting for their discharge, it appears at a quick glance as if a senior league could be formed that should provide just as good a hockey, if not better than was witnessed last season. And fans will be willing to grant that last season's City League games provided some sparkling hockey in each and every game.

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True we will be without the services of the local airmen who provided a lot of added interest and the status of the navy is also in doubt, but there should be plenty of material available to make up a good City League.

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That is as far as we will attempt to express our opinion on senior hockey activities but, if the director of physical fitness for the province — Bill Reid — you remember him —ideas, bear fruit, the City will see a four team junior league in operation also. And this is a good idea.

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Remember the teams the junior Abegweits and Royals turned out and add to them the Junior Rangers. True they failed to win any Dominion titles but they provided fans with a brand of hockey that was surprising to say the least and proved how good they were in the playoffs they took part in against not only Maritime but the smart Upper Canadian teams.

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For the past couple of seasons, Junior Hockey has been deteriorating more or less. There is no other way of looking at it. Of course there has been extenuating circumstances, such as so many of the "youngsters" signing up and then later serving overseas. But Bill's idea of getting a league going is certainly a good one. There will be many new faces on the squads that will comprise the league, if and when it is formed but it will be the first step in the direction that will take Charlottetown teams back to the prominence they enjoyed a few years ago.

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Just glancing over Friday's issue, we noticed where "Huck" O'Neill is soon to be united with his family and that took this writer back along memory's lane to the days when "Huck" used to play a lot of fullback for the Abegweit football team. Small in stature, "Huck" nevertheless had a lot of intestinal fortitude.

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His idea evidently was that the bigger they come the harder they fall. Many the time this writer had watched him bring down far bigger men by timely tackles and then plunge into a mass of the same size as he lugged the oval back after tucking in a kick.

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His "guts", that is the only way to explain it, stood him in good stead when he was taken a prisoner by the Japanese after the fall of Hong Kong. For a good number of months, "Huck" stood up under the ordeal he must have been put through. Today he is on the way back to his native City and that he will be given a royal welcome by the many who knew him, goes without saying. And together with many other of the returning boys, he certainly deserves it.

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Murph Chamberlain leaned against a pair of crutches at the Montreal Forum the other day and give his views on Canadiens. It was the much sought after player angle and Murph was a cheerful after the gloomy predictions of Dick Irvin.

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"Benoit is just as good as ever. Naturally he isn't in shape yet, but ten days from now he will be as good as ever. Three games or so and they will know there is another right wing around here like Richard," he said.

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Leo Gravelle, who now weighs 157, was holding the watch. Leo was given a respite by Irvin, and impressed as time keeper. He became so absorbed in what Murph was saying he forgot to whistle the players off and let them do a five minute turn instead of three.

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Harmon took a pass at left wing and burned in a side shot that beat Fraser cleanly. Gravelle became excited. "He does that all the time. What a shot he has!" Chamberlain agreed. "He breaks up four or five games a season with shots like that."

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Asked what he thought of Bill Reay, Chamberlain replied: "He is slick, gives a pass and works well with the rest."

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Hiller was dashing around in fast style. He looked pretty good. "Dutch has experience, it always counts," said Chamberlain, no doubt thinking that his own experience would come in handy too, particularly in those testing games.

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You could tell Chamberlain has an eye for the heavy checkers as McMahon dropped a forward with the best body check seen ladled out since Ching Johnson was in his prime.

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'Mike is the kind of fellow that goes well in tough games. Road games in particular," he said.