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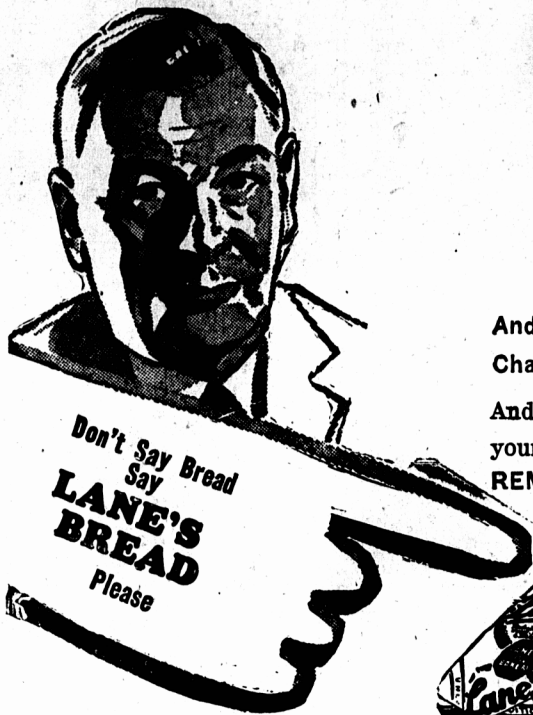
And the appointment of ROY (Buck) WHITLOCK as Sales Representative. Mr. Whitlock requires no introduction to Charlottetown and District, as it is his native City.

And that Lane's bread, cakes and other bakery products go on sale today, Thursday, April 1st, and fresh daily thereafter at your favorite grocers, who will be the sole dealers of LANE'S High Quality Bakery Products. REMEMBER when buying or phoning your grocery order—DON'T SAY BREAD, SAY LANE'S BREAD PLEASE.

ATTENTION GROCERS! If for any reason our delivery truck does not reach you in time, please phone 1781-L and a special delivery will be made directly to you.

Lane's Bread and Bakery Products are made in one of Canada's most modern and up-to-date bakeries. Dough rooms, fermentation rooms and bread cooling rooms are all air conditioned.

The entire plant is open for inspection at all times.



ROY (Buck) WHITLOCK
Famous hockey star and leading scorer in the Maritime Big Four Hockey League 1947-1948.

Stanley Ice Racing

Stanley Bridge Sporting Club held its final race of the season, Good Friday, March 26th, over a perfect track made possible by the untiring efforts of Jas. E. Hiscott and Bernie Hynes, who deserve a lot of credit for keeping the Club going all winter.

Three classes were run off. Class A had three well matched starters Robert Baldwin winning the first heat, then Marlon L. went on to win the next two. Mack Watson not hitting his right stride had to be satisfied with third place. Class B—Ladie Dale and Kai Aubrey answered the starter's bell. Kai just shifted to the trot went a wonderful race but just couldn't head the glib little pacer.

It took four heats to decide a winner in the green race. Princess Scott won the first heat, Boston Blackie the second then Nelson Matheson's trotter nipped the last two.

Then came the presentation of the grand prizes for the season going to the horses winning most points in the different classes, also a silver cup donated by Mr. Matheson of Saskatchewan who is always a great promoter of clean sport.

Marlon L. won the cup for owner, Geo. Semple, going the fastest heat of the season. The prizes for most points were donated by Mr. Stanley Cole and the two merchants of Stanley Bridge and won as follows—Honey Girl, owner Fred Taylor in Class A with 23 points. For Class B Betty S. owned by K. Duggan with 15 points.

In the green race Princess Scott owned by S. Bigger won with 12 points.

Following is the summary.

CLASS A
Marlon L. (Semple) 3 1 1
Robert Baldwin (Cotton) 1 2 2
Mack Watson (McLeod) 2 3 3
Time: 31; 30 1-2; 31.

CLASS B
Ladie Dale (Ferguson) 1 1
Kai Aubrey (Proffitt) 2 2
Time: 37; 36 1-2; 37; 35.

Green Race
The Question Mark (Matheson) 3 2 1 1
Princess Scott (Bigger) 1 3 2 2
Boston Blackie (Chappell) 2 1 3 3
Jenny Aubrey (Corbett) 4 4 4 4
Time: 37; 36 1-2; 37; 35.
Officers, Judges, Nelson Matheson, J. Hiscott, Harold Mayhew, Timer—B. Hynes.
Starter—D. McDonald.

CITY COUNCIL

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this about gradually, no doubt some citizens would like to make a very drastic change in the present methods of assessment.

"To this end, our Council saw fit to invite Mr. Colter of Saint John over to speak to us on the forms of assessment now used in Fredericton and which are also being installed in the City of Saint John. Mr. Colter is recognized as an authority on assessment and we felt he was the best man procurable to speak to us on a method which would tend towards more equitable taxation.

On Footage Basis
"The method as suggested by Mr. Colter is the determining of the real tax on a footage basis and the breaking up of the land and buildings which we now assess as one unit. To do this the first step is to have drawn to scale tax maps, one master map of the city, and then block maps. This would show the exact amount of property owned by each individual in each block.

"In the residential area the different types of buildings would be classified into six types of dwelling, the actual values worked out depending on the area. A formula to ascertain the valuation would be worked out by multiplying the area by each particular type of dwelling in each zone.

"This same system would also apply to the retail stores which would be divided into three groups and likewise the wholesale area depending on different factors which would determine the co-efficient to be used.

"These different co-efficients for different areas would be determined by the zone in which such dwellings are located.

Five-Year Plan
"This plan, according to our advisor, Mr. Colter, would take approximately with the present area of our City, at least five years to become effective, and would require a draftsman, and five assistants, university students in engineering, to work along with our assessor and engineer.

"This would entail considerable cost to our City and whether or not it will bring about a more equitable assessment than being gradually brought about by Mr. Seller is debatable. I feel that we must give it a great deal of thought before entering on such an expenditure.

"Taxes are levied, but they are collected and paid only according to people's ability to pay. During the last eight years our City has come ahead and reduced its financial debt. Its current collection on real and personal tax has been 90 per cent of its current levy.

"Some criticism has been made of the collection of poll tax, and while I agree that a large percentage should be collected, I would like you to remember what I have said—taxes can be paid according to the person's ability to pay. On the tax roll for poll tax are many unemployed and they show as part of the assessed revenue. Unemployment certainly affects to a large degree the amount of poll taxes outstanding.

"With the present cost of building materials, I do not consider it an opportune time to make any drastic changes, such as the establishing of new methods of assessment.

"Reading Mr. Russell's report of away with Capt. W. R. Brown, galloped half a mile, and ended up among cars under a railway viaduct—but not before he had jumped over the hood of a motor horsebox.

Jacko, the starter's horse, caused more trouble than a field of two-year-olds at Wolverhampton, Staffordshire. He kicked the starter's assistant in the chest before the first race and galloped riderless after the runners.

When the next race began he ran

March 24th which he delivered to the Board of Trade, I noticed where the Civic Affairs Committee had invited a tax expert, Mr. Colter, to come to Charlottetown to discuss the question of taxation with them.

Invited By Council
"Might I say for the public's information, Mr. Colter was invited to come and meet with the City Council in Committee, by the City Clerk on instructions from the Council, the City paying his expenses. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss with Mr. Colter methods which he had installed at Fredericton and was installing at Saint John. As to whether or not these would be applicable to Charlottetown will be left to the elected representatives of the people to decide.

"Mr. Russell also stated that the Mayor would be expected to give out some information about the meeting with Mr. Colter. This I have done, not that I believe I was at all called upon to do so, but there have been considerable repercussions as to Mr. Colter's visit, and I do so to point out to our citizens that we did neither accept nor reject the method as outlined by this assessment expert.

"Certainly too, there are many things which might be procured at a great cost, which would be nice for our City to have, but we must not run into them blindly. We must cut our suit according to our cloth. We must not shoulder future Councils with increased Sinking Fund requirement, and increased debenture interest.

"Incinerators, compulsory garbage collection, fire alarm systems, pensions schemes, and many other things have been discussed by previous Councils and are nothing new.

Revised Act
"I would also like to point out to the citizens that the Charlottetown Act of Incorporation was revised by the previous Council, and whether or not we implement the occupancy tax or increase the poll tax will also be a matter for the members who have been elected to the Council. Because authority was obtained in our revised Act does not necessarily mean we will put these into effect.

"Regardless of what tax is imposed, it affects three types of individuals:
(a) Those who can pay and do pay.
(b) Those who can pay and don't pay.
(c) Those who can't pay but would pay.

(1) The first is the ideal citizen, citizen whom we must take every means to make pay.
(2) The citizen whom we must help, whose financial circumstances are such that he cannot cope with his assessment.

"Consequently, there will always be a certain amount of taxes carried as arrears.
"It is our task and the task of our Collection Department to segregate the latter two types of citizens. We cannot judge everybody's ability to pay, by our own financial standard. We cannot take blood from a stone. On the other hand, all must see to it that every person able to pay his just tax to City revenue does so. Increasing poll tax, for instance, to \$10.00 not only is a discrimination against the person already paying, but it would also increase the amount outstanding by those who have not the wherewithal to pay the present \$5.00 poll tax.

Discussion by Councillors
Coun. N. W. Lowther said he had difficulty in understanding the purpose and reason of the "Our idea", Coun. Lowther said

to try to reduce taxation. The real estate in this City has been bearing heavy taxation. The reason is because we have no system. The revenue which can come to the City is all set out in the Act of Incorporation: real estate, personal property, poll tax, license, etc. Considering the fact we have no real tax basis in the City, what can we do to better things?

"I got a lot of benefit from Mr. Colter's visit. He felt that any assessment offered must have a good set-up. He recommended we should have a tax map of the city. That system was in effect in all the cities of the United States and in the larger Canadian cities. I feel our system is not good enough. If we set up a good plan, it would be better. Mr. Colter said it was highly desirable to have land valued by itself. In Fredericton, they have such a system. I should like to repeat that no one has suggested we were going to raise taxes. In fact, under an improved system, we should be able to lower them."

Coun. J. D. Stewart said he was not present when Mr. Colter, the tax expert from Saint John, addressed the Council. He was, however, in agreement with Coun. Lowther's remarks.

Coun. Lester O'Donnell said he thought the present time a poor one for making a new assessment plan. Neither did he think the poll tax should be raised from \$5 to \$10.

Coun. M. A. Farmer said he thought it had been a good idea for the Mayor to bring the matter of taxation up. His statements "would allay the fears of the public." Coun. Farmer recommended something in the form of a press release be given the public once a week so that it might know more of what the City was doing. He said the "assessment machinery was antiquated and does not make for equitable assessment." He thought a man earning \$200 a month, and not a property owner, should pay more than a \$5 poll tax.

Awaits Press Publication
Coun. E. C. Johnstone said he would not care to say too much at present respecting the Mayor's statement. He had only heard it read once and would have to wait until it appeared in the press.

he could study it more carefully. He thought, however, the statement showed something of a "defeatist attitude." It gave the impression that the Mayor was satisfied with the present assessment. Coun. Johnstone said he did not get any idea from Mr. Colter's address that changing the assessment would take five years. Neither could he see why the change-over should be an expensive one for the City. He thought also that the poll tax collection had been poor.

Coun. S. F. Doyle said it was his opinion the whole question of new taxation was "much ado about nothing." He did not pretend to be an expert on financial matters but he thought the City administration was being well conducted. Certainly, Coun. Doyle said, when a City continues to reduce its debt as Charlottetown was doing, there could not be much wrong with the present assessment system.

Referring to the poll tax collections, Coun. Doyle said many people who had found it impossible to pay during the depression years were now working and "wishing to be good citizens, would like to start paying now." Unfortunately, in the past such people, when they had gone to pay, had been scared away by being confronted with tax arrears which they could not pay. He recommended that such people be forgiven the old debts and be allowed to start anew.

Coun. G. M. Cox said he thought there should be a more equitable assessment. He said the Board of Trade's Civic Affairs' Committee had "overstepped themselves" in the report read at their last monthly meeting. They had taken credit, Coun. Cox said, "for everything the City Council has done in the last two years."

MAN BITES DOG? PHOOEY!
BULAWAYO, Southern Rhodesia.—(CP)—Man bites dog wouldn't make news here. A Native woman, crossing a shallow stream was attacked and bitten on the leg by a crocodile. When she couldn't release its hold with her hands she stopped and bit a piece from the croc's snout. The woman is recovering in a native clinic, but the croc...?

PREMIER REPEATS

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co-ordinating the efforts of the provincial teachers' organizations was being done.

Mr. Crowsley assured the teachers present that they were welcome to call at the central office any time they happened to be in Ottawa and thus get first hand knowledge of what the national organization was trying to do.

Two periods of group instruction were held in the afternoon.

Today's Sessions

This morning's session, beginning at 9.30, will conclude the convention. The first item on the program will be short talks on Red Cross activities by Mrs. Robert McCallum, Miss Estelle Haines, M. Sc., and Mrs. Harry Cudmore.

At 10.15 there will be an address on "Music in the Rural Schools" by Mr. B.C. Silver. This will be followed at 11.15 by a talk on cancer control by Mr. J.P. MacInnis, executive secretary, P.E. Island Division, Canadian Cancer Society.

Enjoyable Dinner

Yesterday's program closed with a dinner at the Charlottetown Hotel.

Mr. Daniel MacDonald, president of the Federation presided.

The toast to the King, proposed by Mr. L.W. Shaw, director of education, was responded to by His Honour, Lieut.-Governor J.A. Bernard who congratulated the teachers on the large attendance at their convention.

The teachers, His Honour said, were doing most important work. From some of the humble one-room schools in which many of those before him were now teaching, had gone forth men and women who had made the name of Prince Edward Island known as a province which had produced more than its share of famous educationists, and statesmen. His Honour concluded by expressing the hope that the deliberations of the Federation would be fruitful and that the teachers might enjoy their brief visit to the City.

Mr. E.C. Silver, B.A., B. Ed., inspector of schools for Halifax County, N.S., led a sing song during which the gathering sang "Loch

40 Killed In Train Blast

JERUSALEM, March 31—(AP)—An official announcement here today said 40 persons were killed and 60 injured by mine blasts which wrecked the Cairo to Haifa train near Binyamina. The announcement said most of the casualties were Arabs.

Haifa police, nearer the scene, said however that only 24 persons, all Arabs, were killed and that 64 were injured by triple explosions.

The explosions, which observers said probably were set off by Jews in retaliation for Arab attacks on convoys recently, derailed the locomotive, telescoped three of the four wrecked coaches, and ripped up yards of track. Several hundred British troops riding in the second half of the train on the Cairo to Haifa line were unhurt.

A Jewish source said the Stern Gang set off the mine trap.

Truman Receives Coal Strike Report

WASHINGTON, March 31—(AP)—President Truman today received the report of his fact-finding board in the soft coal strike over a pension dispute. But his next move was put off "pending study."

Charles Ross, presidential press secretary, said the report would not be made public until after the President's return from a trip to Williamsburg, Va., Saturday morning. He would not say what the President would do about the 17-day-old coal strike in the meantime.

Lomond" and "The Bells of St. Mary's."

Mr. Raoul Raymond rendered two solos. Mr. Frank Johnson, A.T.C.I. was the accompanist.

Sport Shorts From Britain

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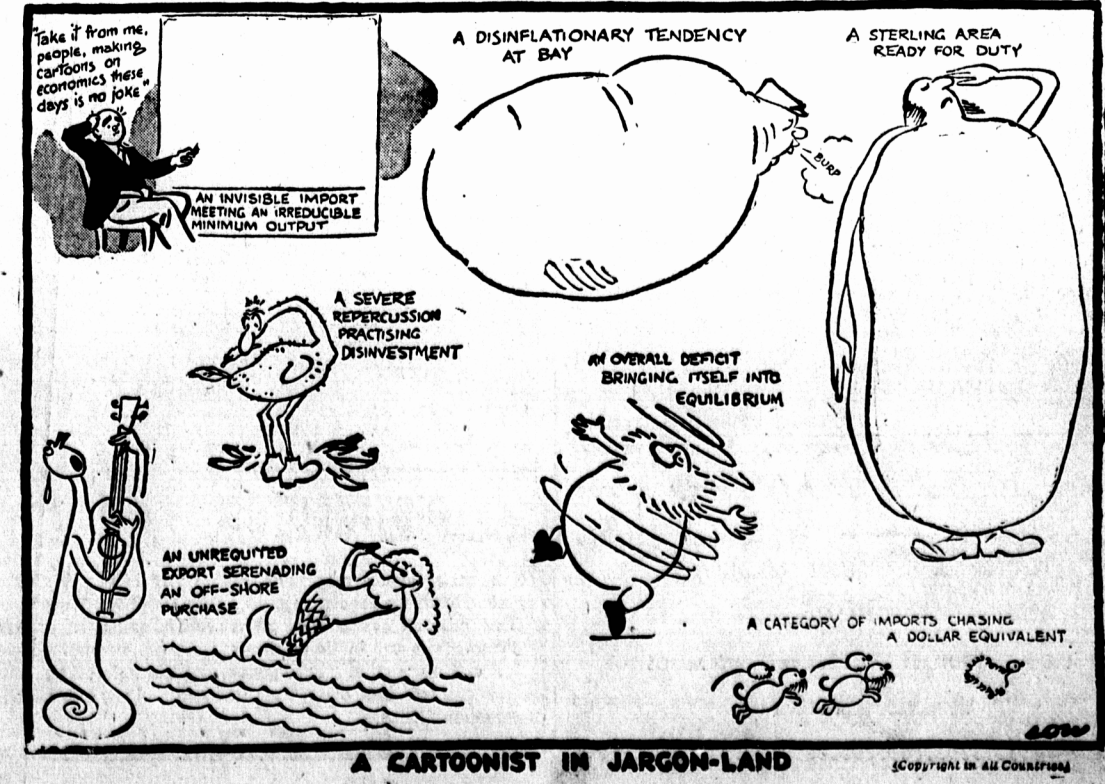
LONDON, March 31—(CP)—What makes a great athlete? Sir Adolphe Abrahams, honorary medical officer to the British Olympic athletic teams, says good physiques are usual but not necessarily good health.

Writing in the London Evening Standard, Sir Adolphe said Britain, the Dominions, Colonies and the United States will always be prominent in the sport world, but every nation and every race may produce examples to prove.

"The marathon race for example, has been won by a Greek, an Argentine, a Japanese, and an Algerian. And in all probability as the vogue of athletics spreads exceptional athletes will appear from even more remote parts of the world."

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