



DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

The well known Cape Breton driver John Campbell who won seven races with Scott Spencer over Maritime tracks last year and also had victories with Chuck Worby and others, has arrived at Dufferin track, Toronto, with that good trotter, Marjorie Hanover 211, and Kerwin Hanover. Johnny has had a lot of experience at Dufferin track, not only racing over the clay but over the ice, so he will not be a novice to it. It may not be generally known but Johnny was with the celebrated race driver Walter Cox for several years and picked up a lot of knowledge from the lanky New Englander.

Several Islanders on their way home from the Amherst Winter Fair dropped in on Harley Harrison at Port Egan last Tuesday afternoon, and were very hospitably received. Harley is enjoying a very fine barn and has the following under his care—Dixie Belle B, owned by Frank McPhillip, Lead, Fairview, N.S., and George R. owned by Alexander Gallant, Amherst. Under Harley's faithful care they are sure of a good winter and to be ready to step when training weather arrives in the spring.

We had the pleasure of a visit from two well known residents of O'Leary this week—Charles Ellis and Sam Sand. Ellis is the president of the O'Leary Driving Association and one of the men who is striving to connect O'Leary with New Brunswick by means of a ferry service. There is a lot of interest in the project in the vicinity of O'Leary and through the efforts of men like Mr. Phillips an opportunity is afforded to develop it.

The popular Ford dealer Sam Johnston arrived home Monday from a visit to the U. S. A. He stopped off at Houlton, Maine, and looked up E. A. Grant, well known horseman, and wishing would do but he must visit the stable and see the two-year-old Playdell out of Dude Potemkin, that Mr. Grant bought last January from Sam's brother Lester. It had developed wonderfully since he was given a trainer and reinsman. He has raced through the three provinces and has won more than a large share of success wherever he has gone. Professor Clegg and Quickick dealt in a photo finish in the DeBlais Bros. 225 Pace at Old Home Week.

Alex Parsons who cleaned out his race stable last fall, is getting into the game again and has bought the Diplomat 201 4-5 for a reported price of \$12,500, from Gene Hayes, DuQuoin, Ill. This five-year-old trotter has been one of the busiest in the United States, racing in the stable of Dr. Marshall through the Santa Anita meeting right up until the close of the season at Lexington. He is a son of Volante and his dam is one of the great producers, so he was probably a bargain at the price.

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over 2024. The yearling Double Clay by Billy Direct out of Calumet Evelyn p. 159, t. 2.00, brought \$12,000. Another yearling, Dudley Hanover by Billy Direct, went to the \$10,000 bid of Jean Hayes. The top figure Yankee at the conclusion of Thursday's sale was \$18,000 for the yearling colt Seattle Hanover, by Nibble Hanover 1.59 1/2. The purchaser was Mrs. Frances Dodge Johnston, owner of Castleton Farm, Lexington, Ky. Mrs. Johnston is building a very large barn at Castleton which will house all her show horses in the future. They have always been stabled in Michigan. Incidentally, she is about the best show woman in the United States and she rode Greyhound 1.55 to a world's record under saddle.

On October 30th when Joe O'Brien won a feature pace at Roosevelt Raceway with the two-year-old Volodga Dale by Frisco Dale, he headed seven aged pacers and the time 2:10. The number of two-year-old pacers that can perform in 2:10 over a half-mile track is a small one and Joe certainly gained considerable prestige by marking Volodga Dale in that notch. In The Harness Horse November 3rd there is a very good picture of Joe being presented with a trophy at Roosevelt Raceway Oct. 30th after winning the feature race of that evening with Abbe Direct.

We had a pleasant visit Saturday evening from Cecil Alexander and Fer Youker of Saint John, N.B. President and Secretary of the Sussex track. They had been around the country looking at several horses and are interested in buying a good one. Mr. Alexander said that the Sussex track had improved its attendances this year and he felt confident that next year would have even better success. He was particularly proud of the racing qualities shown by Bright Spot 2:09 and the trotter May Todd, and a great deal of the credit, he said, was due to Frankie Carr, who cared for them and drove them so splendidly.

We note where T. E. Hankinson is advertising Professor Clegg 216, Jerry Gratian 212, Don Flango and Senator Falcourt in this paper. The first three mentioned have given a number of races themselves all season and should be good in their classes for next year. We would like to take this opportunity of congratulating Mr. Hankinson on the good job he has done as a trainer and reinsman. He has raced through the three provinces and has won more than a large share of success wherever he has gone. Professor Clegg and Quickick dealt in a photo finish in the DeBlais Bros. 225 Pace at Old Home Week.

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IN THE CORNER

Despite the fact that today is Saturday, local sporting fans will be heard today as referring to it as "the day of the big game" which in their language means the day that Saint Dunstan's University football squad get their chance for the game has only one change from the time of the last year's rugby crown when they met Saint Francis Xavier in a sudden-death game this afternoon at Truro, N.S.

The S.D.U. squad left yesterday afternoon by car for Truro where they will have a chance to rest up and be in tip-top shape for today's tussle. The team was accompanied by Coach McAdam and Father Cass, and the lineup for the game was a surprise to many from that which defeated the strong Mount Allison squad here last Saturday, with Marvin Marjorie replacing Cart MacDonald at fullback position. Cart is on the sidelines due to a shoulder injury received in the game against Mount A.

Director of Physical Fitness, Brigadier W. W. Reid received the final O.K. yesterday from Col. Clarence Campbell, all presidents of the National Hockey League, concerning the arrival here on December 3rd of King Clancy, one of the National League's all-time greats, who will be the chief instructor at the three-day school for prospective coaches and referees which will be conducted here from Friday, December 3rd, to Sunday, December 5th.

Clancy's capable assistant will be Pete Kelly, who is at present holding the post of physical director at the University of New Brunswick, and who is well known here by sporting fans in both hockey and golf circles.

The school is something which has been needed for a long time, and now prospective coaches and referees from all over the Province will have the opportunity of attending this school and learning at first hand from those who really know the game and at the same time have the ability to impart their knowledge to others not only from a theoretical point of view but also by practical demonstration. Both systems will be employed by these two skilled instructors to illustrate their teaching during the three-day course.

In addition to local representatives who will attend the school, Brigadier Reid stated last night that leading coaches from mainland hockey teams and leagues will also take advantage of this fine opportunity and will attend.

One of the highlight features of the school's agenda will be a hockey match between the Charlottetown Abbies and the Amherst, N.S., Ramblers on Saturday night, December 4th at the Forum, with King Clancy officiating as referee and six candidates of the school, two in each period, acting as linemen.

According to Ken McKenzie in this week's "Hockey News", a professional hockey record was established on October 23rd in Toronto when four Maple Leaf rookies scored their initial N.H.L. goals. The first N.H.L. goal, quotes McKenzie, "is a milestone in the life of any rookie, but on October 23rd in Toronto, all four Leaf rookies scored." Frank Mathers, Les Costello, Fleming MacKell and Bob Dawes were the "rookies" who potted the rubber. Costello had scored two goals for Leafs in playoffs last spring but it was his first goal in regular scheduled play.

Arrangements Completed For Hockey Referees School Here Dec. 3-5

Brigadier W.W. Reid, director of the Department of Physical Fitness announced last night that he had received confirmation by letter yesterday from Col. Clarence Campbell, president of the National Hockey League, that arrangements have been completed for King Clancy, one of the N.H.L.'s greatest hockey figures, to arrive in Charlottetown on December 3rd where he will be the chief instructor at a three-day school for prospective coaches and referees which will be conducted here from December 3rd to December 5th under the auspices of the Department of Physical Fitness.

Brigadier Reid also announced that "Pete Kelly, a well known sporting figure to the people of this Province both in hockey and golf, and now the Director of Physical Education at the University of Brunswick, will conduct the school and work in full co-operation with King Clancy in both the theoretical and practical instruction which will be given.

The whole purpose of the school is to give prospective coaches and referees from all points throughout the Province the opportunity of receiving three full days of expert instruction on all phases of hockey lore right from the basic principles of how to play the game down to the finest details of hockey rules and regulations.

Expect 30 To Attend

Despite the fact that the primary object of the school is for the benefit of hockey personnel in this Province in the promotion of better hockey and better hockey knowledge, Brigadier Reid stated last night that referees will also be taking advantage of this opportunity by attending the instructional periods. In all, some 30 persons are expected to attend the school.

One of the added attractions, which will be part of the program in connection with the school, will be a hockey match at the Charlottetown Forum on Saturday night, December 4th, between the Charlottetown Abbies and the Amherst, N.S., Ramblers at which King Clancy will officiate as referee, with six of the school's candidates, two in each period, acting as linemen.

The school program itself is a lengthy one which covers every detail concerning the game of hockey and how it is played.

The first sessions will start Friday morning, December 3rd, at the Charlottetown Hotel, when Mr. Clancy will give instructions on hockey rules and refereeing which will include a discussion of the rules of the game with interpretations of some of the controversial points in rules and refereeing and which will be followed by an open question period. The following morning the school will proceed to the Forum equipped to play hockey, where Pete Kelly will give a half-hour instruction on "fundamental skills" followed by an hour on the ice during which fundamentals discussed will be demonstrated and the class will have an opportunity to practice these skills. Practice drills will be included which coaches will find useful for their own clubs. In this second session the following skills will be covered: Skating stick-handling, shooting, and passing, with many little intricate features concerned with each of these groups demonstrated.

In the afternoon individual techniques on defensive and offensive play will be given by Clancy and Kelly, with an additional group of instruction on goal keeping being given by King Clancy.

That evening the instructors and those attending the school will be the guests of the Department of Physical Fitness at a dinner at the Charlottetown Hotel, when Brigadier W.W. Reid will preside as chairman, while the special guest speakers will be His Honor Lt. Governor J. A. Bernard, Premier J. Walter Jones and Judge J. Elliott Hudson, president of the Big Four Hockey League.

That evening the game between the Abbies and the Amherst Ramblers will be staged at the Forum. On Sunday a talk will be given by Reid on "fundamental skills" in every other way. "As the 1948-49 season marks the Bruins' 25th anniversary in the National Hockey League, the team is wearing original sweaters this season. There is a wheel on the front of the jersey with the numerals '24' and '49' shown. The wheel represents Boston as the Hub of the Universe."

HUNTERS' CORNER

Old goose hunters are watching the days slipping by with only 7 more days hunting before the season closes and as yet with no goose brown in the evening. The season on ducks, geese and brant closes on Monday evening, November 22nd. Striking out the two Sundays on which shooting is prohibited leaves 7 days in which those birds may be legally hunted.

The big honkers are giving the central section of the Province a wide berth, or have up to time of writing, Geese are fairly plentiful in certain areas of west Prince and have been present there since the middle of October. King's county has been favoured with more geese this fall than for a number of years. Several large flocks are making their headquarters in the South Lake, Black Pond sanctuary and Fortune districts. Another concentration of wildgeese numbering between 150 and 200 birds are feeding out in the Savage Harbour and Tracadie Bay water feeding grounds.

A few flocks of geese are located along the north shore of Queen's but the big bulk of this country's birds are located at Tracadie. In former years the central portion of Queen's, the Pownal, Orwell, Uigg and Iona areas, offered the best opportunity of bagging one more of the big black and white honkers. The geese are expected to stream into this section before the season closes but the time limit is liable to work against the hunters. Goose hunting takes time, energy and lots of planning. One frequently fails in the effort to bring home a prize notwithstanding an intensive campaign has been carried out with the best of intentions. All in all a hunter earns all the geese he gets this year.

Hungarian partridge are becoming harder and harder to connect with. The coveys have garnered in a number of new tracts. Frequently when they see a party of hunters enter a field accompanied by their dogs they'll beat out the flock of the stubble and prefer the densest cover available under a deep wood or swamp. Often a dog will flush a covey from the middle of a heavy thicket that is hundreds of yards from the nearby open fields. November has been open field season with no heavy snowfall but nevertheless this columnist feels that the Hun season should not extend beyond the end of October.

The red fox has come in for severe criticism of late. Almost everywhere he is charged with including alleged killing of lambs. I don't know whether or not foxes were caught in the act of killing or were found feeding from their carcasses. Dogs have killed sheep and lambs and this summer and fall, as reports forwarded to the Department of Agriculture will testify, and it is quite possible that foxes have taken advantage of the dogs' work and had a few easy meals.

Foxes are undoubtedly plentiful this season and have been increasing steadily for several years. The increase has caused considerable depredation among poultry flocks in certain sections, particularly where chickens, ducks and turkeys are allowed to run at large in open range. The increase in poultry losses, this columnist feels, may in most cases be charged to foxes that have escaped or been released from ranches. Foxes are so cheap at present that many ranchers make an effort to recapture any animals that escape from their pens.

A female silver or black chexer her way to freedom and takes to the wild. In the natural course of events she mates with a wild red fox and her offspring are liable to be all reds although the black may run up the legs and along the belly. Naturally this fox being used to living in close proximity to farm houses and securing her sustenance at the hands of man, accordingly gravitates the vicinity of farm buildings when looking for food to feed her family—and what is easier to catch than a plump unsuspecting

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Many Fans Going To Truro Today For Big S. D. U. - St. F. X. Game

The crucial game between Saint Dunstan's University and Saint Francis Xavier University will get underway this afternoon at two o'clock at Truro, Nova Scotia where the two varsity squads meet in a sudden death game for the Maritime intercollegiate rugby championship.

This is the big game that everyone has been waiting for and judging from the enthusiastic talk around the town there is going to be a steady stream of cars leaving Charlottetown this morning, loaded with local football fans and staunch S.D.U. supporters headed for the two ferry points at Wood Islands and Bon-

Championship Saturday In Canadian Football

(By The Canadian Press) This is championship Saturday in Canadian football but there are no bargains kicking around in the Championships are at stake in five of the six games. One junior and two senior titles are to be decided. Two senior crowns are in the do-or-die class.

Here is the lineup: Big Four final: Montreal Alouettes lead two-game total-points series 21-19. Ontario Rugby Football Union final: Toronto Beavers Indians at Hamilton Tigers. Tigers lead best-of-three series 1-0. Intercollegiate Union last scheduled games: Queens at McGill, no hearing out in the Savage Harbour and Tracadie Bay water feeding grounds.

Eastern Canada junior final: Point Edward at Prince of the North. Sudden-death night game. Western Canada junior final: Vancouver Blue Bombers at Saskatchewan, sudden-death night game. A tough battle is in prospect at Ottawa. The Alouettes, who finished second to the Rough Riders in the Big Four schedule, came from behind to take the series opening Thursday by a two-point margin. The Big Ottawa club will be fighting hard at home to advance into the Eastern Canada final against the O.R.F.U. champions.

At Hamilton, the Tigers are shooting for their 11th straight victory. They knocked out the second-place Toronto club 6-0 in the opener game of the final series. Montreal Mustangs out to stretch their undefeated record in the intercollegiate to 28 games, face injury problems in their quest for their fourth consecutive intercollegiate crown.

If Varsity wins this closing game, it will mean a playoff spot. If there is a playoff it will be the first in the College Union since 1936 when Western was beaten by McGill. The intercollegiate cellar position is at stake in Montreal. Queen's at McGill each has won a game and lost four. The winner today finishes third and the loser fourth in place.

Promoters of football are hopeful that the clashes in east and west tonight will lead to a Canadian championship final next Saturday, Nov. 20. O.R.U. officials announced in Toronto Friday that the game will be played in the east.

Bouchard Out With Injured Leg

(By The Canadian Press) MONTREAL, Nov. 12 — Butch Bouchard, defenceman and captain of Montreal Canadiens, will not accompany the club tonight on the start of a five-game road trip because of an injured knee. Bouchard was hurt in the second period of last night's rugged game between Chicago Black Hawks and Canadiens, won 4-1 by the Montrealers. Bouchard was called up from the Buffalo club. Club officials said today an examination showed Bouchard suffered a severely twisted ligament in the left leg when he went down in a pileup behind Canadiens' net.

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