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St. Louis Browns Tie Modern Winning Record

By (The Associated Press)

St. Louis Browns tied a modern Major League record yesterday when they defeated Chicago White Sox 3-1 at Chicago for their ninth successive victory since the start of the American League season.

Mel Harder, 34-year-old curveballer whose goal is 200 pitching victories, racked up his 196th by spicing 10 hits to give Cleveland Indians a 2-1 decision over Detroit Tigers in the opener of a four-game series at Detroit.

Montgomery Recognized As Lightweight Champ

CHICAGO, April 28 (AP)—Bob Montgomery, recognized by New York as the lightweight champion, beat Joey Peralta, Tamaqua, Pa. Mexican, for the third time tonight in a non-title bout before a crowd of 7,725 which filled the Old Coliseum for Doc Kearns' promotional debut in Chicago.

Lightning Injures Speedboat Champ

MIAMI, Fla., April 28 (AP)—Gar Wood, the white-haired speedboat racing champion, and two companions were injured today by a bolt of lightning which struck them as they left a private plane.

Baseball Results

NATIONAL
Brooklyn 4; New York 6.
Pittsburgh 0; Cincinnati 2.
Boston 2; Philadelphia 1.
AMERICAN
Cleveland 3; Detroit 1.
Philadelphia 7; Boston 5.
St. Louis 3; Chicago 1.
INTERNATIONAL
Buffalo 6; Newark 0.
Rochester 6; Jersey City 5.

WOODBRIDGE, Suffolk, England (CP)—Judges of the Woodbridge Horse Show warned competitors they would disqualify any horse that looked as if it had been enjoying more than the official ration of 20 pounds of oats and 20 pounds of hay daily. The didn't find any.



DOWN - THE - BACK STRETCH

Congratulations to Al Cutcliffe, organizer, W. H. Beaton, announcer, the Victoria Driving Club and its members, and all others who took part in the finest horse parade ever seen in this city last Monday afternoon.

H. Hooper Horne was elected a director of the Charlottetown Exhibition last Tuesday morning to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Vivian Smallwood. Mr. Horne besides being a successful business man and intimately connected with farmers of this province through long association with A. Horne & Co., is a very keen horseman, attends all race meets and knows the breeding of almost every horse that races.

Singing Sam 210 has been sold by Will McNeill to Greg Merchant, Sydney. The son of Sampson Hal 202 1-2 is a horse that has caught the public eye since he first made his appearance. Getting off to a bad start—or rather long getting away very well—he made up for lost opportunities by winning at Bridgewater two years ago and showing that he could do 210. Later on he covered several races and took a record of 210. Last winter he was here at the Dartmouth Driving Club for the Inter-Provincial ice races, was purchased by Mr. McNeill, won his event and is now, as mentioned above, off to a new home. Wherever he goes Singing Sam 210 will find friends, as he has been so familiar something which interests the public.

Leo Praught, Cherry Valley, has arrived back from a trip to Waterville, Quebec where he was accompanied by Johnny McCabe, Iona. Leo was delivering his good pacing mare Nancy Budlong 17 to a new owner, A. L. Tilden. Waterville is south about 70 miles from Richmond, Quebec, and rather difficult spot to get to. The last stage of the journey Leo and Johnny drove in an auto through a road passing between mountain peaks, the scenery of which was majestic. The weather was much colder than it is here and the countryside did not seem as far advanced towards spring.

In Mr. Tilden's stable were eight horses being prepared for racing. They ranged from a free-for-all to a three year old. The latter showed signs of speed as a two year old but was intensely nervous, so a goat was procured and kept in the stall. Mare and goat became fast friends, the goat sleeping with its head on the mare's neck at night. They were fed at the same time. After a few weeks the mare became a nervous nerve tonic and the mare's manners became quite normal. Mr. Tilden or "Red" Tilden as he is familiarly known, is considered one of the best trainers and conditioners in Quebec.

At Richmond on return Leo and Johnny were guests of Louis

Praught, Leo's brother, who showed them the sights and paraded the nine horses in his stable for inspection. He expects four more in a couple of weeks and possibly a fifth. While Leo enjoyed his trip he said that both he and Johnny are quite content to remain as residents of the Garden of the Gulf. By the way, Leo has gotten out a lot of lumber and will construct a stable and grandstand at Riverside track so as to add to the comfort of both spectators and owners who attend there in future.

In the mail last evening we had a letter from John L. Read, race horse, devotee, Truro, N.S., and a member of the committee which will have in charge the annual Nova Scotia horsemen's banquet which takes place at Truro the evening of May 28. Mr. Read informs us that Gay Law 206 1-2, recently arrived from Ohio, merits all the good write-ups that have been given him. He seems none the worse for his trip and was host to many visitors.

The New Brunswick horses, Chestnut Bars 206 and Mitz Bars 214, owned by Dr. J. J. MacPherson, Campbellton, together with the other three walkers, grandstand at the track. They will be taken care of by Billy Hood, Bonnie Budlong 210, and Hal 23 Direct 204 are also there in charge of Chester Smith.

We were more than pleased to have a letter from our young friend Joe Hennessy who writes us so many thrills last season with Dale H. 206. Joe is training for the martlets and that fine although he says he will miss the race track a great deal. However, he says he won't be as anxious to get to the track this year because that great little pacer Dale H. won't be there for him to give his daily exercise to. After completing his course Joe states that he will take another one in gunnery and when that is finished he hopes to get home for Old Home Week because, to quote, "I would not miss the races and the vaudeville for the world and I guess there are not too many who ever saw them that would, because it is really a nice show. I really think you would like to get a good drive again, well, if you do, get up behind Dale H. He may be a bit slow leaving the wire but he is good where the crowd wants him to be—coming through the stretch."

You may think it funny of me writing so much about Dale, but I will show that he is one of the best pacers that ever came to the Maritimes. Anybody I hope so? Thanks, Joe we will certainly be looking for you Old Home Week and will try to make things as pleasant as possible for you, and we may say that there is something nice coming to you when members of the Prince Edward Island Harness Racing Circuit meet next month.

Dr. L. Roy Johnston, Greenfield, Mass., son of that grand old horseman, Dr. J. A. Johnston

Successful Exhibition At Y. M. C. A.

A very successful exhibition was held last night at the Y. M. C. A. President A. J. Haslam was chairman. The boys were under the capable supervision of W. E. Scantlebury, physical director, while the girls were under the care of Mrs. Newett.

The free arm drill by the junior boys and the drill and exercises by the intermediate girls received much applause while the work of the whole boys team on the horizontal bars was outstanding. The two piano selections by Paul Gudmund were very loudly applauded. This accomplished young lad also performed most creditably as an accompanist to the various songs.

Prizes of small crests for attendance and improvements in the intermediate class of girls were won by Rosamund Edwards, Patricia Richards, and Ardeth MacLean; small crests for the junior girls for attendance were given to Sadie McKarris, Elaine Murley, Elaine Saunders, Joan Storey, and Barbara Dick; for improvement in their drill small crests were won by Barbara Rupert, Gloria MacNeill, Claudette MacMillan, Shirley Judson, Phyllis Talbot, Edith MacLeod, Donna Shaw, and Janet Ruppert.

The swimming awards were presented by B. F. Tinney and a presentation was also made Mrs. Newett for her fine work with the girls.

Tignish, writes us that he has been looking forward anxiously for the announcement of dates of Old Home Week and when it appears he will immediately reserve passage by air to and from Boston to Charlottetown. He has been assured by the company that his passage will receive first consideration after priorities to military personnel. We quote: "I am sure looks like the best racing ever in the Maritimes in 1944. The importations of speed are a high class lot, no also-rans or worn out horses in that group. I look to see Maritime track records shattered all over the province. Wilkin 3, 208, Heber Sweeney's new purchase, is considered a real horse to watch here also. Gay Law 206 1-2 and Judd 207 1-2. A glance through summaries of these horses show that they have class."

I am glad to see Johnny Courty get a real good horse. He is a fine fellow and did exceptionally well with Jollity 203 1-4 last season. Joe O'Brien's Tip Abbot 205 1-4 and Milton Bell's Brewer 206 1-2 have fine records one as a pacer the other as a trotter. You lamented the fact in a recent issue that island interests did not buy Dusty Hanover 158 1-4, sold by Sullivan & Mahoney a few years back. I think Peter Song 209, by Peter Volo, dam Even Song 2, 203 3-4, would be a real sire down east. He is in an isolated area near here and has produced well for his opportunities. His colts are mostly three-year-olds this spring. If breeding individually and record counts, he has it.

At a meeting of District 10 United States Trotting Association held in Greenfield, Mass., last January, I met your old friend Roger Duncan, who as soon as I saw me came over to ask how you are, and tells of the wonderful time he had at Charlottetown a few years back and says he longed to get back there again. Also in attendance and putting on a good show, and who also island interest, was George A. Hamid, New York, who supplies Old Home Week vaudeville concessions. There is a trainer at Northampton, about twenty miles south of here, who has been training horses for upwards of 20 years and came originally from Charlottetown. His name is Herman Essery. He is a brother of Arthur Essery who once had a livery stable in Charlottetown. Herman has not been spectacularly successful as he has not had any real high class material. He does a lot of cob breaking and makes a good job of it.

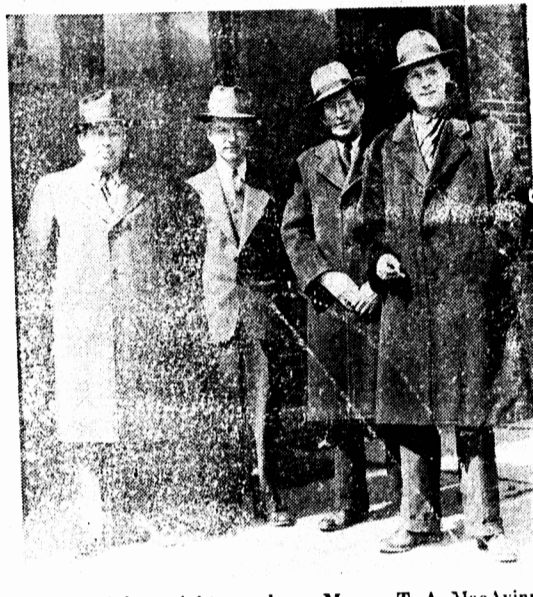
I was reminiscing the other day and the Acadian Recorder came to mind. I was a yearly subscriber until it went out of business. I also took the Frederickton Gazette when it had a harness horse column. I am wondering if it exists, as many of your readers I find that pursuing Down the Back Stretch or writing a note follows me. I certainly enjoy Old Home Week throughout the whole year. Eschbacher tells us that the adult mind tries to achieve by psychic drifts—a fantasy that indulgence which it longs for in reality but is unable to attain. They call it daydreaming. Nevertheless it affords a lot of pleasure to horse lovers. It is much like a Scotchman's holiday, where he stays home and lets his mind wander.

There is no great news of interest in harness racing in New England but no doubt it will have its share of our popular sport, but to my mind there is nowhere where better racing, better sportsmanship and keener competition exists than in the Maritimes and nowhere can a better week be spent than at Old Home Week. Yours for a blazer and better Old Home Week this season. Thanks, Dr. Johnston, and it will be a particular pleasure for us and your

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Above are shown, left to right, Messrs. J. A. McInane, Major H. M. Simpson and S-Sgt. J. Murnaghan who are three of the Victory Loan Salesmen for the Southern Division of Charlottetown. Mr. J. C. Cullen is the other Salesman but he was unable to be present when this group was taken.

From left to right are shown Messrs. T. A. MacAvinn, V. S. Linn, Neil Macleod and R. T. Hyndman who are the Victory Loan Salesmen for the Centre Division of the city.

THIRD DIVISION
Divisional Commander HON. T. W. L. PROWSE



Victory Loan Salesmen for Brighton and Charlottetown North are shown above, left to right, R. E. Seller, J. Sinclair MacKay and Col. C. C. Thompson. D. M. McGuire is the other member of the Division but he was not present when the group was taken.

These divisions have entered into a friendly competition as to which division will secure the largest amount of subscriptions in order that the city may reach its objective. There is also a contest as to which salesman will bring in the largest number of new subscriptions.

THESE MEN ARE STRIVING TO HAVE CHARLOTTETOWN REACH ITS OBJECTIVE----BE READY FOR THEM.

BUY VICTORY BONDS

many friends if we can see you settled with your beloved father in your usual preferred spot in the centrefield August 15th to 18th.

Had a chat with W. J. Brown, our esteemed Clerk of the Course, and he just heard from his son, Captain Bill Brown, who made radio announcements Old Home Week so popular with his vivid descriptions of the horses contesting. Bill was sitting under an apple tree enjoying the English spring air while writing home. War news was absent but conversations of reminiscence to my friends including the Bessie were not forgotten.

Rolle Wood, who is an admittedly good judge, says that John MacLean, Souris East, has the handsomest colt on the island. It is three years old, a beautiful chestnut with chocolate colored mane and tail, sired by King Spruce 208 dam Marge Direct 213 1-4, formerly owned by Dr. F. C. Dougan ("Gunner") Bell has been exercising him all winter and spring and he is beautifully gaited and mannered.

H. M. Sweeney, Bridgewater, N.S., informs us that he has sold one of his recent acquisitions, a 2 year old by Charles's Colours and tall, sired by King Spruce 208 dam Marge Direct 213 1-4, formerly owned by Dr. F. C. Dougan ("Gunner") Bell has been exercising him all winter and spring and he is beautifully gaited and mannered.

season. He started in 11 events, some against aged horses and had some winning brackets in five of them and was charged with almost \$3,000.00 on his eligibility paper. Here is a sample race against the \$20,000 King's Council—Three Year Old Pace, Xenia, Ohio, August 3. King's Council 1 1 1 Wilkin 2 2 2 Gay Law 3 3 3 Gordon Abbey 4 4 5 Helly 5 5 4 Time 2:19 1-2, 2:03 1-2, 2:03 1-2. Mr. Sweeney, although priced with a real one in Wilkin 3, 203, had a good race against the \$20,000 King's Council at Long 2nd Place, The Royal at Long 2nd Place, however, O. U. Vols 213 and a three year old colt.

SUMMERSIDE HORSE RACES DOMINION DAY JULY 1st. Willard MacDonald Secretary.

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