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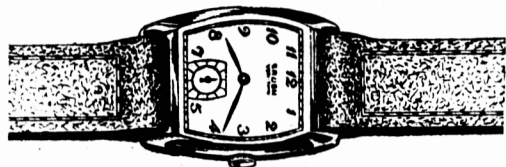
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Back Stretch

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stake with Prince Jay and set up a world's record for a mile and one-eighth of 2.15 1/5. He also gave Robert Morris a record of 2.00 there and won several important stakes with Brewers Gallon.

From Santa Anita he went to Saratoga Raceway and was one of the top drivers while there. Later he moved to Roosevelt and won a \$25,000 purse with Indian Land, also many other races with this horse and others. At Lexington, Ky. race meet in September, which was considered the greatest of these meets ever held, Joe drove the two-year-old Mahlon Hanover to a win in 2.04, which was the fastest heat trotted by a two-year-old this season. He had previously won with the three-year-old Mighty Sun at Goshen Grand Circuit meeting in 2.01 1/5. Joe ended up by being one of the leading race winners at Lexington and had the honor of placing Prince Jay in the 2.00 list with a mark of 1.59 4/5, also sharing honors with Highland Ellen 1.58 4/5 and Royal Blackstone 1.59 4/5, and Highland Ellen 2.06 for World's fastest four heat race. Total 8.04 2/5. Also marked Brewers Gallon in 2.00 4/5 and was the leading heat driver with seven.

It would take columns to chronicle all Joe's exploits this season but we may just mention that a couple of weeks ago he drove the three-year-old Darn Flashy to a new track trotting record at Yonkers of 2.04 3/5 and about ten days ago he lowered that mark to 2.04 2/5 with Martha Doyle, which remains the track trotting record. One of Joe's principal patrons is a Mr. Evans, who purchased seven yearlings during the Lexington sales, one by Scotland, two by Darnley, one by King's Counsel, one by Ensign Hanover, one by Titan Hanover, and one by Chief Abbedale. These and the other aged horses of Joe's stable—Brewer's Gallon 2.00 4/5, that won 16 out of 17 races this season, Stewart Hanover 3.20 2/5, that was fourth in the Hambletonian and is expected to trot in 2.02 or better next season, and Mahlon Hanover 2.04, a leading Hambletonian candidate for 1951, for which an offer of \$25,000 was made and refused, and Dalzell 3.20 2/5 together with others of lesser calibre will be given all Joe's attention this fall and winter in Florida. It is his intention to race in the spring meeting at Santa Anita, Calif., where he made his first big strike and since has been very successful.

Congratulations to Miss Norah Longworth on the success of her saddle horse RAF at the Maritime Winter Fair, Amherst. Her wins were, second place in the class of fifteen saddle horses in the pleasure class, fourth in the road hack class with nineteen entries, third in ladies carriage class and fourth in the open carriage class. Another of our friends who had exceptional success at Amherst was George A. Calbeck, who not only won with foxes but also with Ann Clegg 2.08 1/2 and others of his raising capturing five firsts and three seconds. George is a born showman, his father Joseph Calbeck, was one of the best showmen in Prince Edward Island years ago and the breeder of champion horses, foxes and foxes. George accompanied him to the shows and picked up the art of showmanship, later using it to good advantage at fox shows at the Royal and elsewhere. Sometime ago we gave a list of his colts which will be developed on his home track and we look to see them in a few years setting up records similar to those of Ann Clegg, Guy Ann and Abner Britton.

Page ads by Roosevelt Raceway, Westbury, N.Y., are appearing in the harness horse magazines with congratulations to the owner of the three-year-old filly Volo A.C. that established a new record for her age at Roosevelt Raceway on August 25th. Her time was 2.04 4/5. Interesting to Islanders is the fact that the dam of Volo A.C. is Volo Mae 2.04 1/2 and her dam was Mae Watts, also the dam of the trotter George Washington 2.08 1/2, that was trotted here at a stallion some twenty years ago by the late James MacDonald. We notice the blood of George Washington in the pedigrees of several trotters and pacers that have been registered this season.

Member tracks of the Grand Circuit were responsible for 23 of the 25 miles in 2.00 or better turned in in 1950, proving once again that the "Roaring Grand" is the home of the fastest trotters and pacers in the United States. Seventeen of the above miles were turned in at Lexington, Ky. during the annual ten day Grand Circuit session in the Blue Grass, while three were raced at the Illinois State Fair at Springfield, Santa Anita Park in California and the New York State Fair at Syracuse reported two each, while Port Miami Raceway at Toledo, Ohio, was responsible for one.

The speediest mile of the racing campaign was the 1.57 4/5 stepped by the pacer Scottish Pence in a Lexington, Ky. effort against time.

Island Odds And Ends

Any retail meat dealer in Canada should be able to ask a few cents more for Island bacon and other pork products now that most of Canada is recognizing the superiority of Island-bred hogs. Just to cite hog raisers that this little Province raises the finest stock in this country, Island breeders have swept all the championships and other big prizes at the Toronto Winter Fair, in the hog carcass competitions. Western Canada tells us we have the best breeding stock, and Canada's best bred and most experienced judges hand us the laurels for the best carcasses. Island pigs may be pardoned an extra grunt of satisfaction for being winners all the way—from the cradle to the

Scottish Pence also paced in 1.58 3/5 and 1.58 4/5 in races on the same afternoon at Springfield, Ill. He is the only horse in the world to race three times in two minutes or better this season and is owned by Castleton Farm, Lexington, Ky.

Two horses, a trotter and a pacer, bested two minutes on two occasions—E. R. Cray's White Mountain Boy paced in 1.59 4/5 at Toledo, Ohio, and 1.58 1/5 against time at Lexington. The trotter Pronto Don raced in 1.59 4/5 at Springfield and 2.00 at Lexington. The fastest pacer mare of the year was Highland Ellen, owned in Milwaukee, Wis. She won in 1.58 4/5 in a race which broke the world's record for four heats divided pacing. The marks for the other heats are shown in a note above re Joe O'Brien's Perma Hanover, a gelding owned by Cleo A. Young of Timmonsville, S. C., is the fastest three-year-old of the year. He raced against time at Lexington in 1.59 2/5. Other fast ones are Hal Tryax, Quilla Hanover and Sampson Hanover which have all beaten two minutes. Other pacers to race in 2.00 or better were Bud Mite by Volomite, cut of Miss Budlong by Alumite, Grattan McKlyo, Hodgen, Jerry the First, Prince Jay, Robert Morris and Royal Blackstone. Only two trotters entered the two minute list, Demon Hanover with 1.59 4/5 at Lexington, and Miss Excellency with 1.59 3/5 at the same track.

Our thoughtful friend Cecil McGinley, has sent us the official program of Yonkers Raceway, the night of November 7th. In the first race, purse \$1,000, there were eight starters and the winner was Silk Hal, four-year-old by Hale Dale, dam, the famous brood mare Betsy Prig, by San Francisco. Watching her win was her owner, Roy Bevan of Charlottetown and his trainer, James "Roach" McGregor. The same evening Bob Ryan raced Colonel Dan 2.06 3/5 in the Rochambeau Pace, purse \$2,000, and was third in 2.06 3/5. The winner was Charlie Barrett, a three-year-old black colt by Chief Abbedale, dam, a daughter of Grattan Direct Jr. We are glad to see our dear old friend the late Charlie Barrett's name carried on by a good performer like this. He was the man who bought Grattan Royal as a three-year-old at Chicago, developed him into an outstanding pacer and sold him as a four-year-old for \$5,000. Years later he bought him back for a "Song" and made him one of the greatest sires of pacers that ever lived. His blood is now carried on through many great performers.

An autopsy performed on Rosalind, 1.56 3/5, "Queen of the trotters," that died at Hanover Shoe Farms recently, finds that the cause of death was cancer. She had a magnificent turf career including the winning of the 1936 Hambletonian. She lived in an era of great trotters and altogether she won 39 out of 63 heats and her earnings of \$68,993 makes her the 37th top money winner of all time, regardless of gait. She set the world's record of 1.56 3/5 for trotting mares during the Lexington trots and holds the track mark for sex and gait. Trained with Greyhound, 1.58 1/2, world's champion trotter, she was driven by Sep Pallin to a world's record to pole at the Indianapolis track in 1939, time—1.56 1/2.

A valued reader of this column in the state of Maine sent us score cards showing wins by Peter Budlong and queried—"What's wrong with you fellows down there that you couldn't get this old fellow going?" We admit that Peter Budlong was considered washed up when sold to us but we must give full credit to those who have made him over. We asked a friend of ours who had been up in Maine how it was done and he said that the new owners started jogging Peter several miles a day over the roads right after they bought him, raced him over the ice in the winter, took him to the track early in spring and gave him a long, slow preparation with very little work between races and it happened to be the right prescription. Peter is twelve years old

grave as it were:

The Department of Veterans Affairs, the National Employment and all affected branches of the Canadian Legion have worked out a plan to find employment for veterans in rural and remote areas who find it difficult to make both ends meet. For one reason or another many veterans are unable to obtain regular work or even sufficient work to maintain themselves and families. The new plan will seek to assist those who have the will to work, and will recommend Veterans Allowances for those unable because of physical or mental condition to maintain themselves. It will be the responsibility of the various Legion branches to bring these problem cases to the attention of the National Employment offices, and the Department of Veterans Affairs. These offices will then co-operate with the Legion branch concerned and concentrate on re-establishing the veterans who are in need of a helping hand.

Early this week very few men were idle in and around Souris. Some farmers were just completing potato digging, but shore fishermen were still busy bringing in hake and cod, and the town's two canneries, Eastern Packers and Griffiths, were working steadily. The usual seasonal layoffs appeared to be due for postponement at least for several weeks. Even when the layoffs do occur it seems fairly certain that the numbers seasonally given a holiday will be far less than in former years. At any rate, anyone wanting to engage help in Souris in recent days has been obliged to go hunting for them.

"Murph" Chamberlain's departure from Charlottetown with only the briefest forewarning shook hockey followers no little these past few days. With "The Islanders" rolling along in the pay-off spot in the League standing, there was no preliminary tip-off that Chamberlain was considering an offer from the other coast of Canada. When the news broke from sunny hockey skies it took some absorbing. Now that "Murph" has gone and the new coach has taken over, our several thousand fans are beginning to take stock. They are realizing that we still have the team which has been winning games, and a coach who is, like Chamberlain, a graduate of the National Hockey League. Our assets in ice talent remain intact—to put it another way—and we have a new boss, whose background of experience is impressive, to direct the team.

It would be far more to the point if the public gave some thought to the club's financial burdens. Attendance at recent games has fallen off and it should always be borne in mind that the existence of the club depends on gate receipts, and on these alone. It is no secret that the club executive is concerned about the recent drop in gate receipts and that a public meeting will be held very soon to tell Island fans the whole story. Let it not be assumed that the financial crisis has arisen—that would be an exaggeration—but one could develop if steps are not taken to avert one. When the club was organized, it was known that only if the man-in-the-street became the man-in-the-ring would the Charlottetown team prosper. Sooner or later the public will have to make up its mind whether it wants the type of game we have been seeing, or wishes to be content with the calibre of hockey seen in the years just prior to the present season. The decision is squarely one for the public.

Some of the duck hunters have had some of the quacking taken out of them. Two of the best around "these here parts", Frank Carbone of the Department of Veterans Affairs and Stewart Moore of the Dominion Department of Public Works, admit to being away down in the scoring race this year. They drew a blank on a holiday jaunt to Prince County, had no luck on week-end trips to Keele's Lake and Bloomington Point. Both can really knock them down when they get within range. Trouble has been that nothing has been flying their way. Other good shots have much the same story to tell. It must be the fine weather.

Leslie Bros. Service Station, in St. Peter's Bay, completely destroyed by fire some weeks ago, has been replaced with a fine new building which is just about ready to open its doors to the public. The new service station is located some feet farther back from the main highway than formerly, and because of this more room is afforded for servicing cars. The partners deserve credit for their enterprise in reconstructing their business stand after losing much equipment, and suffering heavy money losses. There was little insurance on the building and equipment, when it was destroyed. They have shown faith in future business prospects, in commencing all over again after a nasty bet-back.

COLLECTOR'S PRIZE A first edition copy of poems by Robert Burns sold at auction in London for \$2,640.

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Hunters Corner

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feet high.

As we barged in the covey broke like individual thunderbolts barely topping the tips of the spruce. We had one bird for our trouble and lucky at that. We lost them completely after this rise. Twenty minutes later we talked to a farmer we met on the road. He was a jolly, corpulent chap with a perpetual laugh in his voice and a merry twinkle in his eye. Yes, he knew of a covey of about twenty birds. In response to questioning he supplied the following: "I see them quite often in the bull rushes between my swamp and the shore. I think they stay in the swamp and blueberry barren all the time and feed on berries and seeds."

So much for that. We had no luck in the bull rushes or blueberry barren but Timmy finally persuaded us to follow him into the tangled alder swamp. They were there alright. We heard them crashing up through a maze of alders. The pointer located them the 2nd time about 300 yards farther on and went on point in waist high brambles and spruce. It was pure snap shooting and we had to be content with one bird out of four shots. We wouldn't have found it without the Dog. Like the first covey this one also gave us the slip. We saw them out round a corner of the swamp and from there on they seemed to vanish into thin air.

To make a long story short we started two more coveys before noon. One flushed from a stubble field and took refuge in the rough. The other rose up from the ditch of the road in an area where there wasn't a stubble field within a half mile and headed into a swamp. By dint of hard hunting we bagged a brace from each of those coveys. Six birds from four coveys is a far cry from slaughter and we weren't a bit ashamed of our marksmanship. We couldn't have wiped out any one of those coveys' supposing we had been offered a thousand dollars each for doing it. It made no difference supposing we could have connected with every shot... they refused to give

us the chance. Those six birds were easily worth ten early October Huns. It was a pleasure to handle them and note their bright full plumage colouring. Several of the larger ones weighed a fraction of an ounce under the pound. Despite reports to the contrary there are lots of Huns left... thanks to their own sagacity. At the present time Brer Fox and Jimmy skunk are the two bad boys in the books of the farmer and sportsman. In an effort to check their increase and cut down on their numbers the Provincial Government has placed a bounty of two dollars on every red or patch fox killed in the province and has re-instated the regular one dollar on every skunk snout presented at the bounty office which in effect is the office of the Royal Packing Company, Charlottetown.

To secure the bounty on a fox the hunter or trapper has to take the pelt to the bounty office where a round hole will be punched in each ear. After which the bounty will be paid and the pelt returned to the owner to be disposed of as he may see fit. He may sell it locally or ship it to one of the regular fur houses on the mainland.

This columnist has always had a warm spot in his heart for the red fox and has contended that when the fox is present in normal numbers it is not unduly detrimental to game and other forms of wildlife. At the present time however the foxes increased so that their numbers are out of all proportion to the general scheme of things. The skunk is also increasing and our wildlife and domestic poultry are being caught in a squeeze play between this predator and the fox. It is the general consensus of opinion that the placing of a bounty on red and patch foxes and the re-newing of the skunk bounty is a timely move by the Department of Industry and Natural Resources.

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