

DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

The growth of night racing in the United States has been simply phenomenal and every harness horse paper we pick up mentions new plants going up costing many millions of dollars. The latest is a three-quarter mile oval with strong financial backing, in New York State. That will be just the kind of a track for a horse that doesn't like the sharp turns on a half-mile track and it will be better for spectators of course than a mile track where the horses are much further away from the people.

The first harness horse to be sold for export to Australia since before World War 2 is Smokejumper, a royal bred five-year-old pacing stallion. The new owner is A. McIntyre of Sydney, Australia. Because of an Australian ban on the direct import of live stock the bay son of Billy Direct 1.56 will first be shipped to England where he will spend six months in quarantine before going on to Australia. Smokejumper was owned by A. A. Golden of Cohecton, Ohio. The price has not been reported. He is from the last crop of foals by Billy Direct 1.55, holder of the world's pacing record, and was sold for \$7,000 as a yearling. He was bothered by lameness through most of his career and could not show the great speed he possessed. He has been purchased largely because of his blood lines which should make a good cross with other American strains there.

Our friend Dick Hegon of the Bank of Manhattan, New York, has very kindly remembered us with some harness notes from which these are taken—Ben White celebrated his 60th birthday with a regular day of work at the mile track at Orlando on February 6th. He is the only man ever to win the Hambletonian four times. He drove in nineteen of them and won with Marjorie, Rosalind, Ambassador and Vol. Song... Florida's first night racing track, Ponce de Leon, at Barnard, opened on Thursday night, February 26th... Bay Meadows will hold a mile track meeting at San Mateo, California, from May 1st through June 20th.

As might be expected, good sires are having no trouble closing books early. Among the latest to hand out the filled up sign are Demon Hanover, Mighty Song and Algiers... Ed Keller, manager of the new Vernon Downs three-quarter mile track in Central New York, has arranged a spring early closing program and figures to get a good response from the horsemen... The Hambletonian, richest harness horse stake, will be raced at Gosport, N. Y. mile track on Wednesday, August 12th. No figures have been released as to its probable value but it will likely be as large if not larger than last year.

The annual spring sale of horses at Saratoga Raceway, N. Y., has been moved to May 5th and 6th. This sale annually attracts horsemen from the Maritimes, Maine and other parts of Canada. It will be remembered that it was there in 1961 that Roy Bevan purchased Pet Hanover, and by the way, we had a talk with George Calbeck over the phone and he said that he was speaking to Del McTavish while up in Montreal, and Del will be moving very shortly across the

Maritime Intercollegiate BASKETBALL FINALS
At S. D. U.
ST. F. X. vs. S. D. U.
Monday, March 9th
Game time 8:30
Admission 50c

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ISLANDERS' HOCKEY CLUB
— FORUM —
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SEAT SALE—
TODAY—SATURDAY—9 A.M. TO 6 P.M.
GENERAL SALE—MONDAY 9 A.M. AND ON.
WHITLOCK NIGHT —
THIS WILL BE A MEMORABLE OCCASION.
GET YOUR SEATS EARLY



IN THIS CORNER

The case of Erwin Grosse took a new twist last night when it was learned that Ted Powers is no longer under suspension by the Syracuse Warriors of the American Hockey League. A recent copy of a Springfield paper pictures Powers in an action shot while playing with the Springfield Indians and a sports brief reports that Powers has come to terms with the Indians. This means that Powers has agreed to be re-instated as an amateur.

What bearing this will have on the current wrangle over Powers' replacement is not immediately clear. The C.A.H.A. on the demand of the opposing clubs in the M.M.H.L., are planning to take another vote on the matter of his replacement. It is understood the clubs have requested the vote on a technical point—that Powers played with the Islanders after the February 14th deadline.

Grosse is not under suspension at the moment and could have played last night, it was learned from coach Murph Chamberlain. Had he been in uniform the Miners would have played the game under protest so the Islanders refrained from using him. Grosse will accompany the Islanders to the Halifax today although he may not play tonight.

By tonight there may be a new complexion on some League matters. This afternoon in Halifax a meeting of the Maritime Major Hockey League is being held and there have been suggestions that Halifax may make some unorthodox move that will greatly affect the other three clubs. This meeting looms as the most important in the M.M.H.L. for years. The Islanders will be represented by their club President Frank MacDonald and vice-president Forrest Clow.

Monday night between the second and third periods of the game between the Sydney Millionaires and the Islanders "Buck" Whitlock will become the first hockey player in the Maritime Major Hockey League to be honored with a "Night." Then of course "Buck" is the first hockey player in the Maritimes to score 300 goals. The Whitlock Night Committee are busy completing plans for the big event the highlight of which will be the presentation of a new car to the Charlottetown-born centremen.

Forbes Kennedy Jr. accompanied the Halifax Saint Mary's Junior hockey team to Cape Breton last night for the opening of their series against the North Sydney Franklins. Forbes Kennedy Sr. in telephone conversation with Jimmy MacDonald, Manager of the Saints on Thursday and learned that young Forbes had been skating on the Halifax Forum. His knee injury is not as serious as first believed and he will be definitely be playing by next Tuesday if not before. The Franklins drew first blood in the series last night by turning back the Saints 8-5.

Big colorful Steve Brklacich will have the cast taken off his hand today and have an x-ray taken of the injured extremity. Another and smaller cast will be placed on his

Manitoba Rink Wins Canadian Curling Ch'ship

(By Craig Armstrong, Canadian Press Staff Writer)
SUDBURY, Ont., (CP)—Manitoba won its 14th Canadian curling championship Friday night when Ab Gowanlock's Danphin rink defeated Quebec 8-6 in a drama-packed playoff.

It was the 52-year-old Gowanlock's second personal victory in the top curling event of the year and the second straight year for Manitoba. The MacDonald's Brier Trophy was presented to Gowanlock in a brief ceremony on the ice immediately after the climatic 12th end.

Both teams had been tied with eight wins and two defeats after Friday's 11th and last scheduled round. Saskatchewan's 9-5 victory over Ken Weldon's Montreal St. George rink forced the extra game. It was the seventh time in the 24 championships that an extra game was needed to win the trophy. Manitoba has been in every playdown and has won four.

A Tight Game
It was a tight game all the way with Gowanlock one up going home. In the final end Gowanlock, one of the coolest and cleverest skips, raised it out, leaving his rock in. Weldon caught the corner of Gowanlock's rock and both of them went out leaving the house empty. The Manitoba skip then drew almost to the button and Weldon, up for the last rock of the game, went wide giving Manitoba another point and the two-point margin.

For Quebec it was a storybook performance. The team seemed to come up from nowhere after losing its first game Monday. The best any previous Quebec representative had done was to win five games and that was achieved last year by Weldon. Before the big event, Weldon said he would be well satisfied to win seven.

After five ends the game was tied 2-2. After eight it was 5-5 and after the 10th 6-6. In the 11th Gowanlock took the lead when he had two in the house and Weldon, with last shot, took out only one.

Both teams played a consistent game with every rock carefully planned. Great shots which brought applause from the galleries marked every end.

TENTH ROUND
Quebec 020 120 011 120—10
P. E. I. 101 002 100 001—6
N. Ont. 021 040 102 010—11
Nova Scotia 000 201 010 301—8
Saskatchewan 120 011 101 030—10
Ontario 002 100 010 104—9
New Brunswick 100 100 440 022—14
Newfoundland 012 022 001 100—9
Manitoba 011 300 100 202—10
Alberta 100 011 020 010—6

FINAL ROUND
Northern Ont. 010 232 001 102—12
New Brunswick 101 000 010 010—4
Nova Scotia 310 020 021 301—14
Ontario 004 020 100 010—8
Saskatchewan 001 032 100 020—9
Quebec 110 100 001 001—5
Alberta 022 202 001 240—15
Nova Scotia 100 030 110 001—7
P. E. I. 010 220 100 022—10
Newfoundland 101 002 012 100—8

HUNTERS' CORNER



The closing of the season on beaver, except by special permit where investigation shows the animals are causing damage to timber or agriculture interests, is welcome news to the great majority of Island residents. Beaver are inoffensive, industrious animals, who were doing their utmost to maintain water levels in the province to which they had been forcibly abducted from their mainlands of public sentiment was making its weight felt on behalf of the fur bearers that put the Hudson Bay on the map.

This columnist has received numerous letters from readers on their behalf and two in particular from Ancienne Lorette, Province of Quebec, who wrote that they were deeply concerned over the attempt to exterminate the beaver and will be pleased beyond measure. It's amazing how many people in Canada and the States are interested in the goings on in this Garden of the Gulf Province. Such things as our Hungarian partridge and Ring-necked pheasant success, our skunk troubles, the beaver and the recently introduced deer are some of the things that attract attention and I have received letters from as far west as the Pacific Coast, and from Pennsylvania to the south, written by people I have never met.

Returns have been received from
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Curling Standings
SUDBURY, (CP)—Final standing in the Canadian curling championship:
Manitoba 9 2
Quebec 8 3
B. C. 7 3
Saskatchewan 7 3
Nor. Ontario 7 3
Alberta 6 4
Nova Scotia 5 5
Ontario 4 5
New Brunswick 2 8
P. E. I. 1 9
Newfoundland 0 10

New Haven-North River In 3-All Tie
New Haven and North River teams battled to a 3-all tie at North River rink last night, in the second game of the semi-finals of the Second North River Hockey League. New Haven won the opening game.

Prince Street Girls Defeat W.K.S. 2-0
The Prince Street girls defeated the West Kent School Girls 2-0 yesterday in the opening game of the City Girls Interscholastic Hockey Championship. The second game of the total goals series will be played this morning.

Today's Hockey Schedule At The Forum
School Girls
11:00 a.m.—West Kent Girls vs. Prince Street Girls
Fee Wees
6:00—Rangers vs. Flyers; Braves vs. Spitfires; Royals vs. Monarchs.
6:30—Ravens vs. Bulldogs; Dodgers vs. Hornets; Tigers vs. Canadians.
7:00—Canadians vs. Braves; Bulldogs vs. Flyers; Royals vs. Spitfires.
7:30—Monarchs vs. Ravens; Tigers vs. Dodgers; Hornets vs. Spitfires.
Juniors
8:00—Juvenile Islanders vs. Juvenile P. W. College.
Garrison Hockey
9:00—Artillery vs. Navy.
Midgots
10:00—Parkers vs. Rangers
Intermediate C
10:45—Covehead vs. Rustico Paperweights and Bantams please note, there will be no games for these brackets this week.
Fee Wee teams will be playing two games each this evening.
The Lunenburg tallies were fired by Ed Hillman and Ed Hagen.

Islanders Score 4-3 Win Over Miners In Game At Local Forum

Murph Chamberlain's defensive combination of Lyle Wiseman and Gus Gustavson turned offensive in the dying moments of the third period last night and each scored a goal in the space of a minute to give the Islanders a 4-3 win over the short-handed, defensive-minded Glace Bay Miners.

The Gustavson-Wiseman defensive combination, which was almost the goat of the game in the early minutes of the third period when the Miners connected for three goals, redeemed themselves with their goal-getting efforts. Actually Wiseman was playing as a forward when the Islanders rallied to pull the game out of the fire. Murph Chamberlain moved him up to right wing with "Buck" Whitlock for a face-off in the Bay end and the move paid-off as the former Shawinigan Falls player scored at 17:30 mark to knot the count at 3-3.

A minute later Gustavson, who doesn't score many goals but usually makes them game winners, raced into the corner to pick Wiseman's rebound off the boards and score on a 20 foot shot from the side of the net.

The Islanders' salvage job was about the only redeeming feature of the game from the viewpoint of the Islanders fans. The Miners' only consolation was a skeleton crew and played like the same. In some cases skeletons might have played a better game. However, the Miners were not without their stars. Centremen Don Keller, playing heads up hockey all the way, was easily the pick of the visitors.

Keller connected for one goal and assisted on two more. In addition he played a persistent check-down game that tended to keep the Islanders disorganized. Linemates Johnny Raynak and Gordie Miller also played well in spurts. Both players drew a goal and an assist.

The first period was probably the worst to be witnessed here this year. "Buck" Whitlock provided the only highlight of the season when he slapped home Walter Pashy's pass-out to put the Islanders 1-0.

Whitlock picked up two points during the game and gained a point on Billy Watson of Halifax who scored a goal as the Millionaires humbled the Atlantics 6-2. George McLagan put the Islanders ahead 2-0 by scoring on a

Races Today At New Glasgow
Three classes are scheduled to start today in harness races on the ice of New Glasgow River. The races will start in the afternoon. Following are probable starters:
Class A—Mabel Patch, Gingerbread Man, Romeo, Christopher Stout.
Class B—Royal Jim, You'll See, Bob Dale, Whispering Hope, Billy Aubrey.
Class C—Julie Clegg, Guy Todd, Lady Blondell, Norma Dale, Nora Clegg, Semple's Choice.
Race officials said other entries would be classified on the ice.

Local Ladies Curling Title Is Decided
A ladies rink skipped by Sibyl MacMillan last night won the ladies curling championship of the Charlottetown Club and the right to advance to the Provincial finals at Summerside next week. The MacMillan rink defeated the Doris MacDonald rink 12-4 last night, to complete the series without a defeat.

Earlier MacMillan had defeated Agnes Hoyt 14-4 and Kay Johnston 15-4.

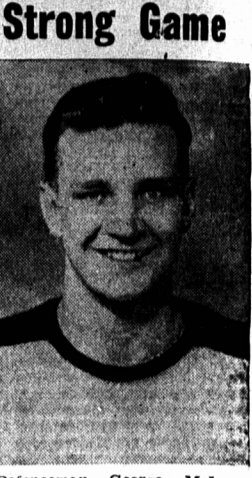
Personnel of the winning rink: Sibyl MacMillan, skip; Marlon Dockendorff, mate; Lillian Duchemin, second stone; Dorothy Stewart, first stone.

Personnel of the MacDonald rink: Marie MacNeill, second stone; Kay Mustard, first stone.

M.M.H.L. Standings

	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pt.
Halifax	79	46	30	3	382	380	95
Ch'town	79	42	34	3	278	238	87
Glace Bay	79	35	40	4	288	285	74
Sydney	79	28	47	4	209	281	60

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Defenceman George McLagan (above) turned in another good performance last night as the Islanders edged the Miners 4-3. In addition to playing a sound defensive game McLagan scored one goal and assisted on another.

Gordon and McLagan both turned in top notch games for the winners. McLagan played his usual steady game on defense with the capable Larry Travis, while Gordon produced several fine puck carrying efforts.

The Miners played so easily in the first two periods that they almost lulled the Islanders to sleep, or so it appeared for the first half of the third session.

Raynak took advantage of a defensive lapse to pick up Keller's pass at centre ice and beat Al Miller on a 20-foot shot from straight out to start the Glace Bay ball rolling at the 1:22 mark.

A little over seven minutes later Keller came skating in to toss Gordie Miller's rebound into the Island cage and a half minute afterwards Miller polished off a play in the Islanders' end to put the Miners ahead 3-2.

The Islanders tried hard during the next eight minutes but could get nowhere against the stubborn Glace Bay defences. Finally Wiseman tied up the game on a play with McLagan and Whitlock to set the stage for Gustavson's winning goal.

Wiseman picked up the puck at centre ice and shot it into the Glace Bay end. Gustavson rushed in and picked up the disc as it rebounded off the backboards. He was standing near the red-line as he let go the game-winning shot that mysteriously beat Don Lockhart.

The Miners played without the services of Jim MacKenzie, Kenny Watson, Eddy Joss and Bill McCracken. Ronnie Bonhomme was dressed but did not play on account of an eye injury.

Erwin Grosse and Steve Brklacich missed the game for the Islanders.

Line-up:
Glace Bay—Goal: Lockhart; defence: Cooper, Burega, Hinchberger, Amadio; forwards: Verrier, Raynak, Miller, Backor, Bonhomme.
Charlottetown—Goal: Miller; defence: Gustavson, McLagan, Travis, Wiseman; forwards: Whitlock, Hurst, Holdaway, Gray, Gordon, Beaudry, Pawlshyn, Clements.
Referee: James Kelly. Linemen: Art Perry and Johnny Squarebriggs.

First Period
1—Charlottetown, Whitlock (Pawlshyn, Gustavson) 13:12
Penalties: Clements 9:45, Amadio 12:51.

Second Period
2—Charlottetown, McLagan (Gordon, Beaudry) 5:59
Penalties: Gustavson 10:41, Hurst 16:36.

Third Period
3—Glace Bay, Raynak (Keller) 1:22
4—Glace Bay, Keller (Miller) 8:50
5—Glace Bay, Miller (Raynak, Keller) 9:30
6—Charlottetown, Wiseman (Whitlock, McLagan) 17:30
7—Charlottetown, Gustavson (Wiseman) 18:30
Penalties: Burega 6:38, Hinchberger 11:53.
Stops:
Lockhart 4 5 8-17
Miller 6 6 2-14

Sydney Millionaires Defeat Atlantics 6-2

Sydney Millionaires defeated the Atlantics 6-2 in a game played at the Charlottetown Forum last night. The Millionaires were led by Ronnie Rowe who scored four goals. The Atlantics were led by Steve Brklacich who scored two goals.

Local Curling Club Schedule
Following is this afternoon's schedule at the Charlottetown Curling Club:
2:30 p.m.
Ice 1—Bill MacNeill vs. D. Saunders.
Ice 2—Alf MacNeill vs. W. Worth.
3:45 p.m.
Ice 2—Dr. Gallant vs. J. Squarebriggs.
Ice 3—Dr. Prowse vs. H. Atkinson.
Ice 4—R. Parent vs. J. E. Burden.

Islanders Down Milton 4-3
The Juvenile Islanders defeated the Milton Hornets 4-3 last night in an exhibition game played at the Forum.

Artillery-Navy Game Tonight
The Artillery and the Navy will play at the Forum tonight in a Garrison League hockey game. The game will start at nine o'clock.

Hoop Games Tonight
Two Abegweit House League basketball games will be played tonight at Prince of Wales College. Rays and Abbies will meet at seven while the Arabs will play P. W. C. at 8:30.

N.S. Hoop Series
ANTIGONISH, N.S., (CP)—St. Francis Xavier University defeated Sydney Y.M.C.A. 69-47 Friday night in their two-game, total-points Nova Scotia Intermediate basketball semi-finals by 35 points. The Collegians now meet Stadacona Navy of Halifax for the provincial title.

Browns Sell Pitcher Harrist
ST. LOUIS, (AP)—St. Louis Browns Friday announced the sale of pitcher Earl Harrist to Chicago White Sox.
Harrist, 32, came to the Browns in the 1951 draft. He had a 16 1/2 record in the Pacific Coast League that year.
A right-hander, he won two and lost eight with the Browns last season.

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