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### Back Stretch

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— a reputation for honorable dealing.

A bill has been introduced into the State Legislature at Albany, N. Y., that, if passed, will take an estimated \$600,000 from the gate receipts of the various race tracks in that state. It is proposed to charge 15 per cent tax on admissions. In Canada the tax varies. In Nova Scotia the amusement tax is 10 per cent; in New Brunswick 11 per cent; Manitoba 20 per cent; Prince Edward Island 25 per cent; British Columbia 17 1/2 per cent; Ontario 12 1/2 per cent. We may be the smallest Province, but we collect the biggest tax.

Last week was winter racing carnival week in the Thousand Islands region on the St. Lawrence with headquarters at Clayton, N. Y., and over 40 horses were entered there including some of the best ice pacers in Quebec. It is the nearest thing to the big ice meets of the long ago which were held on the Ottawa River at Delormier Park in Montreal and of course at Dufferin Park in Toronto. At Ottawa the track was laid out on the river ice and a fence which was built in sections, put up around it with a makeshift grand stand, stables and other accommodation, and for years it brought the best ice trotters and pacers in America to the scene. At the last ice meeting there The Eel 2:02 1/2 with Dan MacEwen up, set a world's record for a mile pacing of 2:11 1/4. It stood until 1924 when it was lowered to 2:10 1/4 by El Verso at Mt. Clemens, Mich. The Eel was Canadian bred and was one of the handsomest horses that ever lived—a dappled grey with marvellous mane and tail, he was a standout wherever he raced and immense numbers of people came to see him. He was in an era of other great pacers but won his share of the laurels and took the record mentioned above.

The United States Trotting Association has mailed driver's license No. 1 to John F. Simpson, Hanover, Pa., for the second straight year Simpson gained the right to retain the coveted license No. 1 by securing more victories than any other driver in 1951. The 32-year-old reinsman had 118 wins. The previous year he led with 111. This achievement award was instituted a year ago when the U.S.T.A. announced it would reserve licenses No. 1 to 50 each year for the top race winners of the preceding campaign. Only a small percentage of the over 3,000 active drivers make the annual honor roll.

Simpson is now general manager of Hanover Shoe Farms, Hanover, Pa., and will train and race his stable this season. Last year he established a new all time money winning record by earning \$33,136.25. He is at present at Orlando, Florida, training the Hanover Shoe Farm horses. License No. 2 was issued to W. N. "Doc" McMillen, veteran London, Ohio, reinsman. The "Doc" was the leading driver in 1951. He was being first 98 times. He was sixth in 1950. William R. Haughton, Fultonville, N. Y., who is one of the youngest drivers performing at the big tracks, earned license No. 3 by having 97 winning rides, and Harry Burrigott of Bendota, Ill. will carry license No. 4 and Levi Harner, Bloomsburg, Pa., No. 5.

Leader among the Canadian drivers was Joe O'Brien who ranked 12th with 71 victories. Other Canadians in the top fifty are John Chapman, Toronto, 19th with 63 wins, Clint Hodgins, Clamby, Ont., 25th with 59, W. J. Harvey, Ancaster, Ont., 29th with 57, Harold Wellwood, 30th with 56, Worrell Lewis, Reserve Mines, N. S., 33rd with 54 and Johnny Conroy, Truro, N. S., 45th with 47.

General regret has been expressed by many horsemen friends of Lloyd Thompson, Crapaud, on the loss of his valuable brood mare Arlene Budlong. A few weeks ago while she was being driven by his son Floyd, accompanied by three companions, she became frightened and ran away, upsetting the sleigh and throwing the young people out. She ran into open water at Victoria Bridge and was drowned. Mr. Thompson also lost the sleigh and the mare's harness which it has been impossible to recover. Fortunately he still has a five-year-old mare, Dainty Diane, out of Arlene Budlong and by Lusty Frisco 2:07 1/4, that gives every promise of developing into a good trotter. He also has a yearling by Jollity 2:05 1/4 out of Arlene Budlong that is very handsome and well developed. We sincerely hope that Mr. Thompson will have the best of luck with Arlene's progeny.

The International Ice Racing Meet which was to have been held at Neil's Folly Pond near Moncton last weekend, was unfortunately snowed out, much to the disappointment of promoter John Scott and the many horsemen and others who helped with encouragement and financial assistance. However, it was raced off at Hal-

### Mixed Curling Schedule Tonight

Following is the mixed curling schedule for matches at the Charlottetown Curling Club today. All players are asked to note the changes in time and to be in the rink five minutes before their matches commence.

6:30—  
Ice 1.—Etia Bell, G. Raynor, Bessie Prowse, Ed Tanton, skip, vs. D. Stewart, T. Gillis, Jean Grant, J. J. Larrabee, skip.  
Ice 2.—J. Beaton, E. Jardine, Mary MacLennan, A. Howatt, skip, vs. Jean MacLean, F. Hobbs, Sybil MacMillan, W. Worth, skip.  
Ice 3.—E. Sutherland, Waldo Hoyt, Ann Burnett, F. J. MacLeod, skip, vs. R. Lamoureux, L. Burnett, M. Dockendorff, C. J. MacLean, skip.

8:00—  
Ice 1.—Blanch Conway, Ed Wood, Marjorie Allan, J. H. Helloffs, skip, vs. L. Duchemin, Dr. W. Allan, Anne Wood, K. Anderson, skip.  
Ice 2.—H. Likely, Andy Likely, Marie MacNeill, W. MacNeill, skip, vs. Jessie Parker, Ron Parker, Helen MacKenzie, W. MacInnis, skip.  
Ice 3.—Pauline Burden, Doug Saunders, K. Johnston, James Burden, skip, vs. Laura Pickard, Walter Pickard, Agnes Hoyt, R. MacLean, skip.

9:30—  
Ice 2.—Jean Giddings, spare, Elizabeth MacDonald, J. Campbell, skip, vs. G. Campbell, Art Hogan, Ada Mahar, Dr. W. MacDonald, skip.  
Ice 3.—Nora Macdonald, Ralph Jones, V. Mellish, Stirling MacDonald, skip, vs. Margaret Jones, Murray Mellish, Doris MacDonald, Clifford MacDonald, skip.

### College Hoop Game Tonight

The league-leading St. Dunstan's University basketball team and their rival collegians from Prince of Wales College will meet tonight in a regular league game at Prince of Wales College. The game will get underway at eight o'clock. Tonight's game is expected to be an exciting affair with the P. W. C. quintet determined to break into the win column and doubly anxious to do it at the expense of the Saints who have been riding high in basketball circles.

### Hunters Corner

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snowy field moving with the effortless grace of their kind, the last rays of a westerling sun shining on sleek grey bodies and six white flags waving in unison. They had four days of fine weather before a storm set in to settle on location. There is a wide choice of territory to choose from. W. A. Beavis on Sunday evening February 24th has been given sanctuary at Peakes. Three of the Gillian brothers from that district motored to Borden on Monday afternoon and brought her down in a special crate made for the purpose. She has been named Jo Jo. I saw her on Monday evening when they stopped off in the city for a few minutes. She is an adult doe age approximately three years. Judging from reports and appearances it was a 2 in 1, may be 3 in 1, package the boys on the Car Ferry salvaged from amid the floating ice cakes on that memorable Sunday evening. She will be kept in a barn and fed for a week or so until completely recovered from her near to death experience. It is to be hoped that Jo Jo will experience no ill effects and that in due course, twin fawns dressed in spotted coats, will be gracing the Peakes district with their dainty presence.

Since this planting was made Kings County has had another added to its deer population. The doe rescued from the ice choked waters of Northumberland Strait by the crew of the W. A. Beavis on Sunday evening February 24th has been given sanctuary at Peakes. Three of the Gillian brothers from that district motored to Borden on Monday afternoon and brought her down in a special crate made for the purpose. She has been named Jo Jo. I saw her on Monday evening when they stopped off in the city for a few minutes. She is an adult doe age approximately three years. Judging from reports and appearances it was a 2 in 1, may be 3 in 1, package the boys on the Car Ferry salvaged from amid the floating ice cakes on that memorable Sunday evening. She will be kept in a barn and fed for a week or so until completely recovered from her near to death experience. It is to be hoped that Jo Jo will experience no ill effects and that in due course, twin fawns dressed in spotted coats, will be gracing the Peakes district with their dainty presence.

If North Commons on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. The International winter pacing championship which carried with it the silver trophy given by the Truro Raceway, was finally won by the pacer Mason's 49, owned and driven by Laurie O'Brien, Lower Sackville. The State of Maine pacers Mabel Patch and Edgar Hanover, that were both driven by Stanley Carter of Yarmouth, Me., won the first and second elimination races. The three top horses in each of the eliminations lined up for the final, and it was then that Mason's 49 went to the front, winning the first and second dashes and the pacing championship and trophy referred to above. Nova G. (Weeks) 2-2, Chief A. C. (Daniels) 3-3, Edgar Hanover (McAlduff) 4-5, Mabel Patch (Carter) 6-4. The Oland trophy for the International winter championship was won by the trotter Lena's Bob (L. Walker), owned by Jack Scott, Halifax, with 6-1-1, and second spot in this race was won by Friar (Daniels) 1-2-2. His second place gave him a silver trophy. Norman Frisco (Foley) the Chatham-owned trotter, was 2-3-3, three other starters, Stanley Carter, who was leading reinsman for the two afternoon meets, was presented with a prize blanket and the Harness Horse Club's cup was awarded to Don Turner of Westville for winning an added pace event with Previous.

IPSWICH, England (CP)—A home built in this Suffolk town at a cost of \$33,000 to house 34 old people is regarded by the health minister as a model for all towns. Residents have private rooms, libraries, lounges and pianos.

### Scout Hockey Playdowns

Georgetown Scouts showed marked superiority over 9th Trinity Scouts last night in a "sudden death" game at Georgetown when they defeated the City boys by a score of 10-2. This win gave the Georgetown Troop the Queens-Kings title and the right to play off with the Prince County winners for the Island Scout title. Following is the summary:

**SUMMARY**  
**First Period**  
1—Georgetown, G. Murphy (David and F. Landry) 3:21  
2—Georgetown, G. Murphy 8:45  
3—Trinity, Tweedy (Kennedy) 13:38  
Penalties — Roche, MacKenzie.

**Second Period**  
4—Georgetown, F. Landry 6:13  
5—Trinity, Kennedy (Tweedy) 9:52  
Penalty — D. MacDonald, J. Walker, Houston, B. Kennedy.

**Third Period**  
6—Georgetown, Lavers 1:47  
7—Georgetown, Lavers (David) 2:21  
8—Georgetown, Hansen (F. Landry) 3:48  
9—Georgetown, Hansen (Roache) 4:12  
10—Georgetown, G. Murphy (F. Landry) 14:27  
11—Georgetown, F. Landry (G. Murphy) 14:40  
12—Georgetown, F. Landry (David) 14:50  
Penalties — B. Kennedy (3), F. Kennedy, F. Landry.

**Lineups:**  
Trinity — Goal, R. McLeod; defence, R. Houston, B. Kennedy, G. Tweedy; forwards, F. Kennedy, B. Reid, A. MacKenzie, S. Pascher, B. Gregory, A. Campbell.  
Georgetown — Goal, B. Murphy; defence, J. Lavers, J. Walker, D. MacDonald, F. Landry; forwards, L. David, R. Landry, G. Murphy, E. Roache, G. Rafuse, S. Hansen, F. Walker, A. MacPhee, S. Gotell. Referees — J. E. Scully, H. P. Ulover.

### N. B. Man Heads Curling Ass'n

WINNIPEG, March 7—(CP)—H. F. Rankine of Westfield Centre, N. B., was elected president of the Dominion Curling Association. He succeeds Nivem M. Jackson of Calgary. Emmett Smith of Bourlambaque, Que., becomes first vice-president. W. C. Boyd of the Saskatchewan Curling Association succeeds Smith as second vice-president. J. K. Watson of Winnipeg was returned as chairman of the school boy's committee. Walter B. Cowan of Toronto remains honorary secretary-treasurer. Gordon Hudson of Winnipeg was elected an honorary life member.

### Clarence Campbell Has Speech Stolen

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 7—(AP)—For a time today, President Clarence Campbell of the National Hockey League was a man of few words. Somebody made off with Campbell's briefcase containing the only copy of a speech he was to make at a Kiwanis Club meeting here. The briefcase disappeared in New York's Grand Central terminal, but Campbell told reporters he re-wrote his speech during the train trip to New Haven.

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### Big Bonspiel At Sudbury Next Year

WINNIPEG, March 7—(CP)—The Canadian curling championship will be held next year at Sudbury, Ont., Chief Justice Thane Campbell of Charlottetown announced last night. It will be the first time the annual sport classic has been held

in Northern Ontario. The Chief Justice said Thomas H. Rennie of Toronto has been named honorary chairman of the Canadian curling championship. He will be succeeded as chairman by Senator John T. Haig of Winnipeg. Ross Harstone of Hamilton was named a new member of the board. Of the roughly 2,500 identified species of snakes, about 500 are capable of secreting poison.

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