

### Back Stretch

five programs a week being presented.

Horses in the three-year-old and older group of the Sanders Russell stable and those trained by I.P. and Pickens Russell were asked for miles between 2:20 and 2:22 this past week, and now seem to be approaching racing form at their Stevenson, Alabama, training camp. Among the green trotters, Augusta Brown 4, by Colby Hanover looked well with a 2:30 3/5 mile. The sister to Great Colby 3, 2:04 4/5 is owned by Mrs. L. E. Brown of Scottsboro. The three-year-old pacing filly Wilona's Girl, owned by the Aden Stable of Gloverport, N.Y., went in 2:19 4/5, final half in 1:08 along with Pat Crocetta's Highland Sterling 2:06 in handy fashion while Crocetta's High Style 2:06 1/5 also hit the 2:30 notch. Mayfield Boy 3, 2:07 1/5 gives the N.Y. owner a useful trio. The three-year-old half-brother to Shamrock Sally 4, 1:59 1/5, Hustle Hanover went in 2:24 2/5, final half in 1:11. He's owned by W. H. Hight. Pickens Russell worked Marysine 3, by Sister's Son in 2:21 2/5 and she has been pacing only a short time. Dutch Boy 2:04 1/5 has had his first 2:20 mile. The green Volomite pacing gelding Earl's Spencemite recorded a 2:20 2/5 effort. John Thro's Sky Blue Water went in 2:21 2/5 and Gage Ellis' Battle Up 3, 2:07 2/5 has been in 2:22. Highlights among the two-year-old trotters were miles in 2:26 and 2:27 respectively by Miss Laura and Counterpoint, both showing speed in the right spots. R. J. Logue's two-year-old pacers Banner Way (King's Counsel-Direct Lady) and Whispering Willow (Ensign Hanover-Ruth Birch) paced in 2:25 2/5, final half in 1:11 and can show well now.

Latest news from the Joe O'Brien stable which is racing at Santa Anita, Calif., was given to us by Mrs. O'Brien's father, James Flood. "The weather has been bad for the races. A lot of rain and cold weather but it has been nice the last few days. Even with the bad weather the crowds and betting have been better than ever before so that is a good sign. The meeting is over here April 8th and we are going to move up to Stockton to train for another month. The weather has been very bad back east that Joe is afraid to ship the colts back and have them get sick so we will not go to Detroit until the middle of May. Beck Hanover won the \$10,000 Los Angeles Trot in 2:04 1/5. It was about the only stake we were entered in. Have not started anything else except a couple of green three-year-olds. Joe won the California Bred Free-For-All with Walter Pound's horse, Patrick Primrose yesterday and he recently won the BB Pace, purse \$2,000 with Gray Star, owned by William Lowen of California."

Our friend Rannie MacDonald of Sydney, who has been racing at Dufferin Park all winter writes: "Back again to Blue Bonnets for the racing here. The weather is very cold and still some snow on the track. I raced four heats at Dufferin and out of a stable of six I had 16 wins, 11 seconds and fared off better than a lot of the owners there. Most of the classes were two heats and one day the CC Pace had 83 entries for eight horses to race. It looks as though they might race next year under the lights. The runners go over big at Dufferin and at the last day's racing last year they had \$450,000 bet on the mutuels and an attendance of 20,000. I am enclosing part of the program for here, they expect to put on more conditioned races than stake races and give the horses more money. With best wishes for a bigger and better year of harness racing in P. E. I. and Nova Scotia." Some of the classes on the program are: 2:18 Pace, June 6th, purse \$1,500; 2:14 Trot, June 13th, purse \$2,000; 2:26 Pace, June 16th, purse \$1,500; Derby-Pace, June 24th, purse \$2,500; Derby-Trot, June 27th, purse \$2,500, etc.

When Yonkers opens that old battle for driving honors will get under way right with the inaugural program, between Billy Houghton and Stanley Dancer, each of whom already has 30 candidates ready for the big opening. There are 580 stalls available at Yonkers, which is just about 50 percent

### Hunters' Corner

"four of mine filled a bake pan." He told me at the spot where he was fishing the trout were slow in taking the bait. Every eight or 10 minutes, there'd be a light "tick, tick" on the line and when the pressure was put there would be an immediate reaction—surging lunge would put an arc in the bamboo rod. In another 10 minutes or so the act would be repeated. That's the kind of trout fishing I like. The enjoyment is prolonged and one has time to relax and take in the scenery between bouts.

The gravel roads looked terrific on Thursday but three or four days of hot sun and driving wind would work wonders. The trouble is mainly on top. The boys who have their fishing spots on the pavement are lucky. Whether the roads are possible or not I figure the trout are in for a rough passage on the fifteenth.

A lot of food has been carried into the streams and rivers by the heavy freshets that occurred through the winter with special reference to the late February thaws. Earth worms dislodged by the bucket were carried by the current to waiting trout.

Mistress Spring was in an unpredictable mood this season. Observers tell me she had the frogs croaking in February. That's one for the book but it's not surprising with all. Brant were here in February and a flight of approximately 400 dropped in the Souris River on March 17. I was inclined to be skeptical of this report until

short of what the requirements really should be. Yonkers inaugurates what is going to be the longest racing season the East has ever had, April 12. It will not come to a close in the Empire State until Nov. 15, after a combined total of 189 nights of racing in New York City. The various tracks in that state combine to present a grand total of 532 nights of racing.

I talked with men who knew brant better than I do myself. Sportsmen are commenting on the heavy flight of black ducks this spring. Thousands wintered here and that may account for a portion of the exceptionally heavy spring migration.

I believe that opening the duck season on October 10 last year saved many of our local black ducks. The flight of Northern blacks was on at this date and it is thought that a considerable flight of Nova Scotia ducks moved across from the Amherst marshes to escape the earlier opening shooting in that area. In the days when the duck season opened on September 15, our local blacks were whittled down badly and this situation also applies to the October 1 date, although to a lesser extent. The migrant ducks most certainly absorbed a share of the punishment.

I stopped off at a small marsh Wednesday. It was in reality a brackish backwater that the tide overflows less than five acres in extent. Pairs of black ducks dotted its expanse with three's and four's intermingled—34 ducks all told. That's a pretty fair picture of all tidal marshes and flooded intervals. Spring is undoubtedly here. Bronzed grackles are announcing their presence to the world in general from bare tree tops and pairs of crows have already settled on location. We'll have raw winds and chill temperatures during April but the right kind of weather will eliminate the mud in a week—if we get it.

In many country districts, the deep throated chorus of wildgeese in flight or the musical bickering of their grounded consorts is an ever-present symphony. The deep bass of a booming shotgun has thrown the music off-key on more than one occasion and it's up to everyone who is a sportsman at heart to help out those notes that mar the harmony.

The fishing licenses are on sale at all regular stands so attend to the little chore while the iron is hot. In the excitement of last-minute preparation, a fishing license can be overlooked. Don't let any

## Hopeful News For Diabetics As U. S. Physicians Report New Type Insulin

By FRANK CAREY  
CHICAGO, (AP)—Hopeful news for diabetics who sometimes get an allergic reaction, such as hives, from their insulin was reported Thursday to the American College of Physicians.

A new type of insulin, "quite free of local or general allergic reactions" has been developed in Europe, said Dr. Arthur R. Colwell of Northwestern University medical school.

He told a special panel on diabetes at the physicians' annual meeting that the new insulin—developed in Denmark and already on

the market in Britain—has been undergoing clinical investigation in the U. S. and that a drug firm now is considering the possibilities of marketing it.

The physician said that unlike most other insulins now employed in the control of diabetes, the new type—called "insulin lente"—contains no extraneous protein matter to which some patients are allergic.

Common Reaction  
He said the most common allergic reaction is a "local" one—the appearance of a painful wheal at the site of the insulin injection, but he added that some patients suffer a generalized reaction, marked by the appearance of hives.

Colwell said the incidence of such reactions varies with the type of diabetic and the type of insulin, but he declared it ranges upwards to about 10 per cent—with this maximum figure called "protamine." He said reactions are fewer

### Body of Missing Boy Found in River

SOREL, Que. (CP)—The body of five-year-old Guy Tremblay, missing from his home for eight days, was found Thursday in the St. Lawrence river here.

Police said the boy's body was in the water about 25 feet from a breakwater. He apparently tumbled from a high wooden stairway and through a hole in the ice, covering inshore waters.

The boy disappeared more than a week ago after he was seen "hooking a ride" on the bumper of a panel truck near his home.

The body was found by Chief Petty Officer Ken Bleaney, one of a group of RCN men helping the search.

with other protein-containing insulins called "globin" and "NPH." Another doctor told a reporter that he estimates that five per cent of all insulin-using diabetics in his practice are subject to allergic reactions, although only one per cent are "serious."

## TORONTO MAN OBSERVES 55th YR. WITH UNITED KINGDOM ARMIES

TORONTO, (CP)—Ernie Payne of Toronto joined the 9th British Lancers in 1900 as a boy trumpeter.

At 69 he has just started his 55th consecutive year of service with the armies of Britain and Canada. He's company sergeant-major with the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada.

Although Ethelred—to give him his proper Christian name—is technically over-age for service, he has been made a special case by the reserve force unit with which he has soldiered for 50 years.

His long and varied technical experience in the field of musketry has made him a valuable asset when it comes to training recruits.

Served in Three Wars  
"Give me a good lad and a good rifle and I'll teach him how to shoot," says Ernie.

The veteran rifleman has served under six monarchs, in three wars and on five Bisley rifle teams. CSM Payne was practically

born into the army. His birthplace was Bisley, England, and his first recollections are of the famed rifle ranges there.

He accompanied the 9th British Lancers to South Africa and saw three years of action in the Boer war.

To Canada in 1914  
No sooner did he return home in 1903 than Ernie joined the Surrey Yeomanry of the territorial army.

He served with that unit until 1914, when he emigrated to Canada and joined the QOR. He joined the 55th Battalion Canadian expeditionary force in the First World War. When he got back from overseas in 1919, he immediately re-enlisted in the QOR and has been with that unit ever since.

He has been back to Bisley several times—from 1909 to 1912 as a member of British Army rifle teams and in 1919 as a member of the Canadian Army team.

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Medals will be worn.

G. R. FOSTER, Capt.  
Guard Commander.

### P.E.I. REGT. (17th RECCE) PAY PARADE

All personnel of P. E. I. 17th Recce, less Summerside and Kensington, will parade for April pay at the Armouries, Charlottetown, at 1400 hours, Sunday, 11 April, '54.

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