

DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

We were greatly pleased on opening our mail to find a letter from Cecil H. McGinley of Houlton, Maine, who every once in a while gives us the harness horse news of Aroostook County, Maine:—"The border towns of Woodstock, N. B. and Houlton, Me., are but fourteen miles apart and a considerable colony of race horses and colts are being wintered at the tracks at each place. I believe Colonel Calkin keeps you posted on Woodstock horse gossip so I will devote this letter to the Houlton stables. However, I would like to mention the loss of several good race horses by death. The old campaigner Tab Hanover 2023, winner of \$15,884.34, would not stand training and was humanely put to death by his owners Simonson Bros. Bridgewater, Mc Earl Grattan 211 1/2, that I raised was put to sleep and did not wake up for a lame leg and did not wake up. He was owned by Elwood Stairs of Mars Hill, Maine, and was only six years old. Allison Lantz lost the nice little mare, Ezek Dale, that took a record of 2:14 1/2 last season and was a good winner and of course you know about, Henry DeWitt's loss of the outstanding pacer Parker B. 207. In the race that he took his record the photo showed him well in front of his field. He was tree-legged and didn't wear any boots.

"Bob Ryan who suffered a cracked pelvis in a race accident at Foxboro in September, was also in a spill at the local track last week. He was jogging your namesake Colonel Dan 206 3/5 to a sleigh with his crutches beside him, when the sleigh struck an obstruction and overturned throwing him out on the icy track. He was taken to hospital for X-rays but apparently was not seriously hurt aside from bruises. His stable is the largest at the track, numbering ten head. He recently sold Lloyd Hanover 205 4/5 and Susannah 217, a nice mare that earned \$6,785 last summer.

"Harold Birmingham is wintering over 50 head of brood mares, colts and yearlings at his farm north of Houlton. He is breaking and jogging 16 colts at the farm track and in addition has Prudence Hy 205 and Gilda Bell 213 with Ed Kelly at Mount Holly, N. J. Seven head from the farm will join them soon. At Pinehurst, N. C., he owns Madge Hy 204 3/5 and Highland Boy 207 2/5 in partnership with the Wathen Stable, Fort Fairfield, Me. Madge earned \$10,780 in 1953 and Highland Boy \$4,600. He has recently sold Early Boy, a brother to Highland Boy, and his dam Joseadale Highland Miss to the Wathens, and has also sold Mr. McBelwyn 211 3/5 to race on the ice. He has 20 brood mares, all of which are believed to be in foal, six three-year-olds, nine two-year-olds and 11 yearlings. One mare, Miss Charming 210, has a 1954 foal. Bell Boy 201 colts showed very well last year, six or eight getting creditable records.

"Ice races are being held at Mars Hill and Fort Fairfield. Bonnie Volo 204 1/2 and Delaware Chief 206 4/5 seem to be tops. I have retired Sudden Mary 211 1/5 and plan to breed her in the spring as her dam has three in the 2:05 list and six in 2:12 and her granddam seven in 2:10. She should be a good producer of speed. I would like to breed her to Jolity 205 1/2 or Time Table 203. I just learned that Bob Ryan reports a new foal by Lusty Frisco 207 1/4, dam, Min Westcott, dam of Mermaid Feet 207 1/5. I haven't started jogging my two mares yet. Linda Bell got a record of 2:16 2/5 on the pace and Federal Girl trotted in 2:20 last year. I turned them out in August as I had two others to race. Expect to start training them soon. Here is a list of other horses owned in Houlton and vicinity:—"Bonnie Volo, Bay State Joe, Bay State Jim and Bay State Larry, owned by Chris O'Donnell and trained by Hilery O'Riele, assisted by his beautiful and talented daughter, Molly, a student at Ricker College, who logs the horses between classes and is very capable. A. Brewer is training Mr. McGee 208 1/5, Reynolds Hanover 210 1/5 and Prince Edward, a two-year-old brother to Mr. McGee, owned by E.C. Wellington; Ben Lomand 206, owned by A. McGee, Augusta, Me.; Butternut Jake, a three-year-old owned by McGee and Harry Bass, and Vic-Hi-Le, three years old, owned by Ead. Callihan; Simonson Bros. have Private George, Regent Hanover, Hants Hanover, Arnold C. (3), Tab Direct (2), Norris Hanover and June Morning, that are trained by Ray Sibley with helper Frank Graham. E.C. Grant has Marion Budlong, Gail Budlong and Calso Boy 215 3/5. Daigle and Davis own Maruca Clegg and Lee Ryan has ten: Colonel Dan 206 3/5, Jolity Girl 207 3/5; King Jester, Mel Diamond (3), Kerry Frisco (3), Champion Frisco (2), Peter Frisco (2), Mighty Sweetheart (2), Lusty's Gaiety Girl (4) and Lusty Direct (4)."



IN THIS CORNER

Striking player who has no stick in his hands with which to defend himself has been called the cardinal sin of hockey. Striking a player over the head with a hockey stick at any time is one of the deadly sins in our book. As such there have been quite a few deadly sinners in the MMH. L. during recent games as some of the players have been getting into the butchering business.

Three Sydney players took it on the head Tuesday night in a game against the Glace Bay Miners. Defenseman Ted O'Connor was skating Johnny Lumley out of the play when he was cracked across the head for six stitches. Physicians reported that O'Connor was hit on a vital spot and that the player was having recurring blackouts. This isn't the first time Lumley has swung his stick. He tried to carve Larry Backburn at the Forum one night.

In the same game Specs Chorley was struck on the mouth by a Glace Bay player and lost several teeth. He was taken to the hospital in Sydney and put on a liquid diet. Still not content somebody went after Dunc MacIntyre and loosened three of his teeth with a stick. In Halifax on Wednesday night MacIntyre broke Watson's nose and several weeks ago Don MacLaughlin was clipped for 14 stitches by Johnny Morrow.

Some of these injuries may have been accidental. However they are the results of a very noticeable trend among the players to use their sticks like baseball bats. And as long as the referees shut their eyes to this evil the players will continue. It sometimes appears as though the officials take high sticking as part of the game.

Last night's game while it contained a lot of fine hockey, contained far too much high sticking. A number of the players are becoming injured lest they incur some serious injuries from these increasingly numerous "incidents." Coaches Bucko Trainor and Don Peniston are putting the onus directly on the referees. They claim the officials aren't clamping down during the early minutes and are letting the games get out of hand. Officials and players alike should start getting on the ball.

The deal between the Islanders and the Ottawa Senators for Tod Campeau is still pending. The Islanders are trying to work out an agreement with Tommy Gorman for the highly rated player. Campeau has been playing on a line with Zelli and Toppazini and Paul Gladu in Providence. Last week in a game against Hershey he picked up two assists. Since then Gladu has been sold to the Syracuse Warriors. The Reds have brought Doc Couture from the Chicago Black Hawks in a move to get out of the A. H. L. cellar.

The Saint Dunstan's University hockey team will leave this morning for Sackville to play Mount Allison in the opening game of the N. B. - P. E. I. intercollegiate series. This is the first of a two game home and home series with total goals to count. The Saints are rated a stronger squad than they were last year and will be carrying the hopes of sports followers in their play against the mainland college.

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Islanders Return To Form With 7-3 Victory Over Glace Bay Miners

The Charlottetown Islanders, led by the newly formed forward line of Whitlock, Robert and Palladino, walloped the third place Glace Bay Miners 7-3 at the Forum last night in a game characterized by the high sticking antics of the Miners.

There were no more Ted O'Connor incidents but the Islanders lost their playing coach Wes Bucho Trainor early in the first period after Trainor had been cut on the left cheek bone by Johnny Lumley's stick. Trainor had five stitches inserted in the wound and although he returned to the bench he did not take any further part in the play. The injury appeared accidental.

There could have been more accidents and they might have been more serious if the Miners used their sticks freely. Even at that the Islanders players claimed it was like a tea party compared to the game down in the Bay last Wednesday night.

Jim Farrell clipped Guy Gignac over the head in the second period after Gignac had taken the Glace Bay forward out of the play. Early in the third period Needham took a Joe Dimaggio cut, at Claude Robert after the Islanders forward skated through the Miners' defense. It was a vicious slash but as usual the referee failed to notice any irregularities.

Lumley, Farrell and Leyte appeared most adept at high sticking. The Miners defense showed uniform chopping ability. Fellows like Bobby Brown, Norman Connolly, Bert Myles and Gordie Miller stuck strictly to hockey.

The Islanders flashed plenty of power when they had a man advantage. The Whitlock, Robert and Palladino line were a going concern all evening and while they were on the ice five of the Islanders goals were scored.

Whitlock led the marksmen with a pair of goals and a pair of assists to move back into second place.

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In those days the duck season opened on August 20 and black duck were an extreme rarity on inland fresh water in November. Thus it was I got the surprise of my young life when a big black duck hurtled skyward from a fringe of alders bordering the dam. It took me seconds to return cover from the trance into which the duck's sudden appearance threw me and when I did the bird was crossing the opposite side of the water. I guess I just threw the gun to my shoulder and pulled the trigger. What a thrill I got when the duck crumpled in midair and dropped in some

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P.W.C. Rink Only One Without Defeat In Schoolboy Curling Finals

The Prince of Wales rink skipped by Barrie MacDonald emerged without defeat from the double knockout play of the provincial schoolboy curling championship at the Summerside Curling Club at the Summerside rink yesterday afternoon and evening. George Dillon, skip, and George Dillon, 7-4 in the evening.

Geo. Dillon's rink edged Tommy MacKenzie's foursome 11-10 in the afternoon after an exciting struggle, and MacKenzie went down to defeat in another spine-tingling contest to David Silliphant in the evening 12-9. Silliphant's last rock deciding the game.

The four teams were the supper guests of the Summerside Curling Club at 5:30, and veteran Charlottetown curler, Rankin McAlaine, addressed the boys, giving them some sound advice on deportment on and off the ice. Freddie Foland, coach of the Summerside schoolboy curlers, also spoke briefly. Le. Linkletter presided.

Personnel of competing rinks:— P.W.C. Rink: Barrie MacDonald, skip; Robert Partridge, mate; Brewer Auld, second stone; Alan MacLeod, lead.

Charlottetown No. 2 team: Geo. Dillon, skip; Art Burke, mate; Jimmie Lee, second stone; Harold Senter, lead.

Summerside No. 1 rink: David Silliphant, skip; Lee Lefurgey, mate; Garland Harris, second stone; Creelman MacArthur, lead.

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Afternoon Games

Barrie MacDonald 332 023 020 1-16
David Silliphant 000 200 401 0-7

George Dillon 230 100 030 2-11
Tom MacKenzie 004 011 103 0-10

Evening Games

Tom MacKenzie 000 301 118 0-9
David Silliphant 302 040 000 3-12

George Dillon 011 000 100 1-4
Barrie MacDonald 100 010 031 0-7

Hoop Games This Evening

There is one Island League basketball game scheduled for tonight in Summerside with the Normans meeting the R.C.A.F. in a game at the Airport.

Mixed Curling

All four rinks will be available for the mixed curling draw today at the Charlottetown Curling Club.

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Hockey Scores

(Canadian Press)
Maritime Major—
Halifax 2 Sydney 4
Glace Bay 3 Ch'town 7
New Brunswick Senior—
Fredericton 3 Amherst 10
Ontario Senior—
St. Catharines 6 Barrie 4
Ontario-Quebec Junior—
Jonquiere 3 Guelph 10
Quebec 0 Kitchener 2
Regals 0 Hamilton 5
Intercollegiate—
Laval 2 Toronto 2
Northern Ontario Senior—
Sault, Mich. 1 Sudbury 8

Hampshire And Winsloe Win

In a double header hockey game played last night at North River Rink, Hampshire won from Long Creek 4-1 in the first game. Hampshire's marksmen were MacLean with three and Watts with one. S. MacNeill scored the only tally for Long Creek.

In the second game Winsloe won from York 7-1. Winsloe's goals were scored by McCallum who got four, and M. Gillespie, R. Gillespie and Jenkins with one each. York's goal was scored by D. Watts.

N. H. L. Leaders

Player	G	A	Pts.
Howe, Detroit	21	36	57
Richard, Montreal	30	20	50
Geoffrion, Montreal	25	21	46
Lindsay, Detroit	18	27	45
Reibel, Detroit	14	25	39
Kelly, Detroit	13	26	38
Handford, Boston	13	25	38

Annual Meeting

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Millionaires Come From Behind For 4-2 Win Over Atlantics At Sydney

SYDNEY, (CP)—A three-goal outburst in the third period gave Sydney Millionaires a 4-2 victory over the league-leading Halifax Atlantics in a Maritime Major Hockey League game here Friday night.

Atlantics took a 2-1 lead in the second period but a pair of quick goals early in the third gave Mills the winning margin. They now are only six points behind Halifax.

Atlantics opened the scoring at 5:34 of the second. Mills tied it up but Halifax went ahead 2-1 before the period ended.

Dunc McIntyre rapped in the tying goal at 11:43 of the third, set up the winner at 11:53 and scored the insurance tally at 16:08 for his best effort this season.

McIntyre and teammate George Robertson and Lorne Pirie were flying high all night but Atlantics playing with only 10 men, held them off until the third.

Goalie Roy McMeekin of Atlantics robbed Sydney time after time in the first ten minutes of the third when he was called on to make 13 saves, many of them all-but-impossible.

Playing - coach "Dugger" McNeil and Billy Arcand did the scoring for Halifax.

Referee Laurie Power called

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Curling Draw

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2 P.M.—
Ice 2—F. Acorn, A. B. Bagnall, Jas. Cameron, L. Bagnall, vs. W.R. McNutt, S. Beaton, H.J. Dobson, K. Elliott.
Ice 3—J. Squarebriggs, F. Curtis, A. Cordell, J. Hornby, vs. H.I. Spillett, R. A. Parker, S. Duncan, M. F. Reeves.
Ice 4—R. G. Spillett, J. H. MacNeill, G. Hutchesson, H. L. Sear, vs. D. H. McIntyre, D. O'Rourke, S. R. Johnston, P. Ready.
3:30 P.M.—
Ice 2—A. Likely, Myron Bell, Bruce MacDougall, H. L. Sear, vs. J. S. MacDonald, W. Goss, D. Peterson, A. MacDonald.
Ice 3—D. Saunders, Alf MacNeill, Ed Wood, J. E. I. Trainor, vs. Clifford MacDonald, A. A. MacLeod, L. Wellner, G. Milligan.
Ice 4—J. F. MacLeod, H. MacInnis, E. S. Trainor, S. Duncan, J. J. Morris, Doug Hill, H. Douglas, H. E. Hyndman.

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