

DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

Leo Praught of Cherry Valley has returned from an extended stay in the hospital, and Mrs. Frank Schneider of Hollywood, California, Leo spent three months there, and he describes them for us as among the happiest in his recollection. His daughter and friends showed him all the sights of Hollywood and other cities, and he motored and walked around and saw many of the most beautiful sights in that magnificent state.

Leo said that the weather was mostly ideal, but it was getting wet in fact quite warm, just before he left. He mentioned the flood, which was described in our papers, but said that it didn't affect the area that he was in. One of his happiest experiences was visiting Joe O'Brien at Shafter, California. It was the late Sol Camp that placed Shafter on the map. He had moved to California from Idaho, where he had a very large potato farm, and he looked over some land at Shafter that was practically a wilderness. By expenditure of some money and a tremendous lot of hard work, he made it blossom "like the rose" and now the Camp properties in Shafter and vicinity are among the finest in the state.

The stable which Mr. Camp had built, and the race track, are now the property of Joe O'Brien, and it is there that the racing stable, consisting of about 40 trotters and pacers, are stabled and trained. Leo was greatly pleased to find that the caretakers of many of the horses are Maritimers. One of them, Brendon Peck, had been in Sydney for several years. Another is Leo's son, Leo Praught, and there are two other Maritimers. They like the work very much and are well paid.

Leo said that everything must be done exactly as ordered, that is to say there is a timetable for every workout, and when it is considered that there are 40 horses to be exercised or trained daily, it is obvious that a proper schedule is necessary. There is a full-time veterinarian, and the caretakers take the temperatures of the horses being trained every morning.

Joe, unlike trainers Del Miller and Johnny Simpson, hadn't asked his two-year-olds for any fast miles, but he brushes them at the end of each workout, the idea being to develop speed and not take too much out of the youthful prospects. When the Santa Anita meeting opened, Joe thought that he could move a few of his horses over and come back and forth to work out the others. This proved a bit too much travel, as it would mean 125 miles each way daily, so the stable of 40 was moved to Santa Anita.

Butch Hanover, 2:02 2/5, that won the \$11,000 Trot at Santa Anita, is not exactly sound, and Joe may have to go to considerable trouble to keep him in race track shape, but he expects him to be a good money-winner again this year. This horse has won over \$45,000 in his campaigns.

Leo had the pleasure of looking over ten foals by Scott Frost, 1:58 2/5, champion trotter of 1956. He was greatly taken by the Santa Anita mile track, and its magnificent grandstand and other appointments, and spent several afternoons watching the races. He had a bet on Butch Hanover when he won the \$11,000 trotting stake, and he paid \$25 for a \$2 bill.

On the way back home, Leo visited Sherbrooke, Quebec, where his brother, Louis Praught, is training a stable of 15 trotters and pacers. He said the track was in good shape, and they expect to hold races there on May 12.

We are glad to have some particulars of the horses that George Calbeck will be campaigning this season. Ann's Dream, 2:06 4/5, that is a favorite with racegoers as she always gives a good performance, is training nicely. Last year she had eight firsts, two seconds and a third, and during her career, she has won \$11,655. She and Queen Rodney are both owned by Willard MacDonald of Summerside.

Queen Rodney is a four-year-old trotter by the renowned sire Rodney, 1:57 3/4, and was purchased at the Harrisburg sale two seasons ago. With her breeding, she should go along to a fast record.

George's horses, that will be trained and raced by him, are as follows: G. Ann C., 2:11 1/5; Royal Oax, by Simcoe Harvester, a four-year-old; Izzie Reynard, a three year old by Watchin, dam Top Notch; and Watchin's Star, a three year old by Watchin, dam Ann's Pride.

We are delighted to have a letter from our friend, A. Marne Kennedy, O'Leary, P. E. I. He writes: "I had the pleasure last week of seeing some of our horseman friends in Cape Breton. While there I attended a banquet for Pius Hickey, held in North Sydney, sponsored by the Turf Club.

"Pius was injured last fall in a race, and spent the winter in hospital. I was indeed surprised and pleased to see over 300 men and women were present. It shows what sportsmen the Cape Bretoners are. Mr. James Ferguson gave an interesting talk on the accomplishments of the Turf Club in 1957 and outlined plans for 1958. With the fine spirit that is behind this club, the future is sure to be bright."

Among the horsemen he met there were: Worrell Lewis, Joe Hood, Mat MacAdam, Joe Sutherland and many others. Marne continued: "I visited the stable and saw a lot of horses that are being readied for this season's racing and are in fine shape. I would certainly like to own several that I saw. These are a few: Jack Rosecroft, 2:09, owned by Lloyd MacAulay; the Jabalee stable, that is in charge of Joe Hood; Ronald Hanover, a four-year-old trotter; Wing Commander, p. 2:04 2/5; Top Brass 2:04 1/5; Arabian Night, 2:15; Grand Hazle Hal, 2:17 3/5; Grand Miss Volo, 2:14 2/5; also Donald Rankine's stable — Roll On, 2:04; Grey Eagle, 2:10 and Volon, 2:10.

All the horses mentioned above are in the pink of condition and are a credit to their caretakers and owners.

Probable Pitchers

NEW YORK (AP) — Probable pitchers for today's major league games (last year's won-lost records in brackets):

National League
San Francisco at Los Angeles — Gomez (15-13) vs. McDevitt (7-4).
St. Louis at Chicago — Mizell vs. Phillips (3-2).
Milwaukee at Philadelphia — Spahn (21-11) vs. Simmons (12-11).
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh — Hadix (0-13) vs. R. G. Smith (2-4).

American League
Chicago at Kansas City — Pierce (20-12) vs. Urban (7-4).
Boston at Washington — Fornieles (10-13) vs. Ramos (12-16).
Baltimore at New York — O'Dell (4-10) vs. Shantz (11-5).
Cleveland at Detroit — Fossi (11-10) vs. Foytack (14-11).

Orioles Pick Up Pitcher

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Kansas City Athletics today traded pitcher Arnold Portocarrero to Baltimore Orioles for pitcher Bud Daley.

The 25-year-old Daley, a left-hander, was in the Cleveland system until traded to Baltimore April 1. With San Diego last season he won three and lost none and with Cleveland won two and lost eight.

Soccer Results

LONDON (Reuters) — Results of soccer matches played Friday night in the United Kingdom:

SCOTTISH LEAGUE
Division I
St. Mirren 1 Partick 1
Hibernian 0 East Fife 1
Division II
Dunfermline 4 Berwick 0
Dumbarton 5 Brechin 1
Hamilton A 5 Morton 1

Remember When

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
Johnny Miles, 18, of Sydney Mines, N.S., won the famed Boston marathon 32 years ago today, covering the 26 miles 385 yards in the then record time of two hours 35 minutes, 25 2/5 seconds. He won again in 1929. Another Canadian, George Clute of St. Hyacinthe, Que., won the classic four times, the last in 1948. The record time of 2:20:5 was set by Finland's anti Viskari in 1956.

Standings

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
American League

Team	W	L	Pct.	GBL
New York	3	1	.750	
Baltimore	2	1	.667	1/2
Detroit	2	2	.500	1
Kansas City	2	2	.500	1
Chicago	2	2	.500	1
Cleveland	2	2	.500	1
Washington	1	2	.333	1 1/2
Boston	1	2	.250	2

Schmidt Still Confident Bruins Will Bounce Back

By W. R. WHEATLEY
Canadian Press Staff Writer

MONTREAL (CP)—Coach Milt Schmidt led his Boston Bruins out of their mountain retreat Friday and proudly declared confidence in their ability to make a comeback.

The Bruins dropped a 3-2 overtime thriller Thursday night to Montreal Canadiens, who took a 3-2 edge in this torrid best-of-seven Stanley Cup final.

"Our fellows played their hearts out," said Schmidt. "Regardless of how this series turns out they're champs to me."

It was a heart-breaking loss for the Bruins and an occasion for explosive rejoicing for Canadiens when veteran Maurice (Rocket) Richard supplied the coup de grace with his overtime goal.

SIXTH GAME SUNDAY

The teams meet in the sixth game in Boston Sunday. If the Bruins tie up the series for the third time, everything will ride on the seventh game in Montreal next Wednesday.

"I hope the loss won't upset our fellows and prove something of a mental hazard," said Schmidt. "But I do know they have proved—both in the semi-final against New York Rangers and in the final against Cana-

diens—that they have the courage and ability to strike back and I think they can do it again."

The Bruins came into Montreal airport by special bus from the inn where they have made their headquarters, 50 miles north of the city, and left in mid-afternoon for home by plane.

Schmidt had one gripe. He said Montreal newspaper men virtually shunned the Boston dressing room before the game, one was there early, he said, another met him for a brief talk as he was preparing to leave and "a couple of the Ottawa boys met me on the way to the bus."

MUST BE WINNER

"It's disappointing to know you have to be a winner here before the bunch of newspaper fellows came in to talk to you," he said.

"I appreciate the dramatic finish to the game and the need to get stories about the Rocket, but it still seems there was something like lack of hospitality."

Schmidt went so far as to say that if the Bruins come back next week and win the cup he may bar the dressing room to newspaper men, with exception of the Rocket's winning goal.

Schmidt said: "It was one of those things" bound to happen when there's a sudden-death fin-

ish.

GREAT TEAM EFFORT

Coach Toe Blake of Canadiens sized up Thursday's game as "a great team effort by both clubs and one of the best playoff games I have ever seen."

"Both clubs skated well, really played hockey, handed out the odd bodycheck—the game had everything. The old-timers who like to harp on the good old days should have been around."

He expects to use the same lineup in Sunday's game in Boston although there is a possibility Floyd Curry may be back.

Curry was laid up with a foot infection in Boston after last Sunday's game there.

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

Montreal Canadiens for the third time in the Stanley Cup finals have taken a one-game lead. Only difference this time is that Boston now faces the task of denying the powerful Montrealers any more victories. If they fail in this chore, then Toe Blake's men will be winners and still champions.

It looks like a terrific undertaking for the Bostonians who have amazed the experts by their outstanding play throughout the series. To whip the Canadiens once is a man-sized job but to accomplish such a feat twice in succession is something that appears a little too big for even the gallant Bruins.

However Bruins could be leading the series today 3-2 on the strength of their play Thursday night in Montreal. They certainly played good enough to win and Buddy Boone had it in the bag in the opening minutes of overtime. Had Boone realized on this occasion then the Rocket would not have had his chance to emerge as the game's hero.

But Boone didn't and Rocket did and as a result the Canucks are really in the driver's seat and about ready for a celebration. Before anything like that comes to pass Bruins will give everything they got in the hope that Montreal's rejoicing may be postponed for another year.

Right now nobody will be surprised if the series is not concluded till Wednesday night in Montreal. Boston won't spare anything to square the score at 3-3 when they entertain Canadiens Sunday night in Beantown. The Bruins have shown tremendous ability to bounce back and there's no reason to believe that Sunday will be any exception.

We hoped for the full seven games so we could have the maximum of entertainment. We still think we are going to get our wish.

However only Sunday night's result will answer that.

Back in 1945 sports writers were agreed that he was a good 'wartime' player, "but wait until the real National Leaguers" come home from overseas. He won't even make one of the teams."

That's what they were saying 'just' thirteen years ago. But a guy by the name of Maurice Richard fired the winning goal in overtime in the fifth game of the 1958 Stanley Cup finals. In the intervening years the "real" hockey players have returned and disappeared but the one and only Rocket remains one of the most potent scoring threats in the history of Canada's national pastime.

They had quite a day Friday in Los Angeles when the L. A. Dodgers played their first game before their new home fans.

The occasion recalled to mind an event that occurred fifty-five years ago in the same city which then boasted a population of 102,000. A Los Angeles paper at that time gave a scanty display to an item beginning "A number of automobiles, tallyhoos and carriages will assemble at the city hall. Headed by a brass band, the parade will start at 1 o'clock."

This was the unenthusiastic introduction to baseball in Los Angeles in 1903. That was the day the Los Angeles Looloos beat the Seattle Webfeet 2-1.

Yesterday it was a far different story as the Dodgers played hosts to their great rivals San Francisco Giants. One paper put it this way: "The premiere of Major League baseball in Los Angeles shrunk the nation 3,000 miles..."

The whole town went wild. Banners fluttered everywhere, bands blared, pretty girls put on their new Dodger blouses and traffic cops sweated as they tried to keep some semblance of order on the overtaxed highways and streets.

Everybody was heading the same way — to the ball park. But before the action commenced the city's mayor received at City Hall the home plate from lonely Ebbets Field, the Dodgers' old grounds in Brooklyn.

The crowd was just about three times as many as Brooklyn could have accommodated had they been opening in Flatbush.

Financially the move looks like a really good one.

Milt Schmidt wasn't doing any beefing after that heart-breaking overtime loss to Montreal Canadiens. Milt just termed it one of the things you can do nothing about. He added "we missed good chances and so did Montreal."

Probably the choicest bit of conversation came from the Boston showers. "That guy didn't do a thing all night but get that goal."

A companion next door hollered back. His reply was a silencer.

"Wasn't that enough?"
It sure was.

Stan 'The Man' Musial is up to his old tricks of breaking records. Musial established a new National League record of 5,046 total bases on Thursday with a home run and a single. The 37-year-old Cardinal, playing his 16th full season, bested Mel Ott's record of 5,041 that had stood for 22 years.

Always a terrific performer, Musial is starting the season with a bang and it could be that he will have another great year. His accomplishments have been sensational and baseball fans everywhere will be hoping that 1958 will smile on this diamond great.

You can have your choice in both leagues and you can holler like mad for your particular hero, but if you are a real-honest-to-goodness baseball follower you must wish a guy like Stan Musial the very best. His name will long be associated with the greatest of the great in this crowd-pleasing game of baseball.

Good luck to him in 1958.

Cleve Craswell, proprietor of Craswell Photo Studio, has come up with some excellent pictures of the Bruins-Canadiens series. Cleve snapped them as the pictures appeared on his television set and the clarity of the photos is really remarkable.

These shots are now on display in Craswell's Studio window and are attracting many persons who have been watching the series with keen interest.

In all Mr. Craswell has about 40 pictures and not one of them would indicate that they had been snapped through a television screen. He particularly prizes one of Ray Gettiffe being interviewed by Tom Foley. Ray, a former Bruin and Canadian great, played here with the Abbies in the old Big Four days and was a great friend of Mr. and Mrs. Craswell.

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BOSTON (CP)—At least 17 Canadian runners are to start off with almost 200 other hopefuls today to find out who can run 26 miles, 265 yards in the shortest time.

Strong entries from Toronto and Montreal head the Canadian field in the 62nd Boston AA Marathon. They will be up against rugged competition in the grueling event, however.

Favored to win the race is either Johnny Kelley, the New England school teacher who set a record in winning last year, or Yugoslavia's Franjo Mihalic, a 36-year-old iron man who has won five of his six major competitive appearances.

Leading the Montreal runners, most of whom represent the Frans-Amis Club, are Roland Michaud and two brothers—Albert and Ray Noel.

Michaud is rated one of the best runners of the Montreal club, although he specializes in three- and six-mile events.

Albert Noel, 24, won a 12-mile marathon from Lac Beauport to Quebec City last weekend in 1:00:50. He has been training for the longer Boston run in his spare time by jogging out of Ste. Anne-de-Beaupre, 23 miles east of here, with his 27-year-old brother.

The Noels are entered under the Frans-Amis colors.

The Toronto contingent, all from the Gladstone Athletic Club, is led by veteran George Norman. This will be the third Boston Marathon for the 45-year-old runner. He was 12th in 1949, 14th in 1955. He also has represented Canada at the 1950 British Empire Games in Auckland, N.Z., when he was sixth.

Norris Resigns As Boxing Chief

NEW YORK (AP)—James D. Norris, multi-millionaire boxing promoter, Friday resigned as president of the twin New York and Illinois International Boxing Clubs in a move that surprised boxing circles.

He was succeeded as head of both companies by Truman K. Gibson Jr. of Chicago, a long-time assistant.

Norris, 52, said he was yielding both posts because of health reasons and on the advice of his physicians. He was stricken with a severe heart attack last fall during negotiations with Sugar Ray Robinson for his first middle-weight title fight with Carmen Basilio.

The tall, husky Norris, continues, however, as president of the Madison Square Garden Corporation.

The Illinois branch of the IBC promotes the Wednesday night network television fights. The New York company handles the weekly Friday night fights on radio and television.

Norris is believed on a cruise somewhere off Florida.

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