

Back Stretch

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M. Haswell, co-inventor with Al-ward H. Mead of the Universal Driver Rating System and Chart, we have been furnished with a complete list of the standing of all drivers racing on U. S. T. A. tracks. Below will be found the standing of the first sixty of those who made 200 or more starts during 1953. For the second year the 49-year-old Wayne "Curly" Smart of Delaware, Ohio, is leading reinsman of the first group with what we believe to be a record figure of 592. He had 89 wins, 46 seconds and 16 thirds in 226 starts. His nearest rival is Delvin Miller, the 1950 percentage champion, who averaged 488. Next is Louis Huber Jr. of Mount Healthy, Ohio, 1952 winner-up with 432. He is followed by William N. "Doc" Mar-Allen with 429. In fifth place is Fred Parks, a 47-year-old driver of Malone, N. Y., with 415 and in sixth place our Maritime champ, George S. Turner of Dartmouth, N. S., with 409. Next to him is Frank Ervin of Aiken, S. C., who drives some of the best trotters and pacers in the world. His figure is 408. Then along come two more from Nov. Scotia—Neil Campbell of Halifax, who is followed by Laurie J. O'Brien of Windsor, N. J., N. S., and Joe O'Brien, now of Shafter, Cal., who drives with 395. In 51st place is Billy Haughton of Massapequa, L. I., the driver who ended the season with the largest money win-ning—\$374,527, and had 116 wins, 126 seconds and 98 thirds, but he was also the busiest driver, having 702 starts which kept his average down to 310.

Following Joe O'Brien in 11th place is Donald E. Hall with 394; Harry C. Fitzpatrick—387; Robert A. Seabrook—385; Kirk McKinley—385; Hugh Bell—378; Jerry Neikirk—377; John E. Hogue—372; Aubrey S. Rodney—370; Levi B. Harner—370; Howard Bessinger—366; Everett S. Ogborn—366; Frank Taylor—361; Len O'Meara—361; Donald M. Stokes—359; John D. Catton—356; Herbert A. Bond—352; John Chapman—351; Robert B. Plaxico—351; Garland Garmey—350; Henry J. Clukey—350; Stanley F. Dancer—339; Lorne Tolhurst—339; William D. Dilmour—339; Glenn Hawkins—339; Harry E. Miller—336; K. R. Parnal—333; Dee Stever—332; Harry A. Coleman—330; Charles T. Hill, Sr.—328; Harry Short—328; Franklin Safford—326; C. J. Shilling—323; Lloyd Walker—322; Joseph F. DeLillo—322; R. H. Ross—322; Charles A. Cousins—321; Frank G. Daniels—317; Thomas Winn—315; William H. Hazen—315; Alfred T. Day—314; William R. Haughton—310; Robert E. Parkinson—308; Merle J. Hodgins, Jr.—307; J. Leon Boring—304; Wilbur E. Long—302; John F. Shroeder—302; Henry Thomas—302; Wendell A. Wathen—301; George E. Carter—300; Roy Funderburk—299.

In the list of drivers having 100 and up to 199 starts during the year are the following, and it will be noted that Maritimers are very strong in this section, also that Don MacNeill of Summerside is in sixth place with the excellent average of 492. Following him is Donald Turner, Dartmouth, with 479 and in ninth place is Johnny Conroy, Truro, with 465. We again wish to extend our sincerest thanks to Mr. Haswell who is secretary of the Maritime Raceway, for going to so much trouble and effort in membering us with this list of drivers' standings which must have taken an immense amount of time to compile.

I. B. M. Thomson, 606; 2. Bradford Compton, 586; 3. William Pagel, 554; 4. Alex Winger, 506; 5. A. A. Coder, 500; 6. Don MacNeill, 462; 7. Donald Turner, 479; 8. Howard Earl Scott, 475; 9. John Conroy, 465; 10. C. L. Jennings, 462; 11. Forest Edwards, 450; 12. A. G. Cleveland, 449; 13. Joseph Ayler, 453; 14. Ben Pitman, 440; 15. Donald Ratchford, 335; 16. Fred Johnson, 430; 17. Adelbert Cameron, 421; 18. W. A. Weems, 420; 19. Tom Beasley, 414; 20. Homer Guinn, 414; 21. Howard E. Brainard, 413; 22. James R. Edwards, 410; 23. Clarence W. Curtis, 401; 24. C. A. Drumm, 401; 25. Clayton R. MacLeod, 400; 26. William Repp, 400; 27. Arthur Shaw, 400; 28. Stanley Adams, 397; 29. Harry Pownall, Sr., 397.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE



Hunters' Corner

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basket being emptied in the middle of the kitchen floor. It was a ritual with them. They were very careful in their handling of the game they shot. Some specimens, woodcock particularly, would have scarcely a feather out of place. They would re-live the hunt. How many birds they shot on the Gaults Road cover, McAdam's, Curran's, etc. They always run a sort of friendly competition in their days afield. Both were good shots. Dad would say with a chuckle in his voice; "I made a good shot on the Cock Will" and Uncle's counter: "You could have saved your shell on that one Rob."

Their game was an in-between size slightly smaller than the half bushel baskets of today. At day's end it was generally packed to the brim or rounded up, with woodcock, snipe and grouse. Sometimes a black duck would be added to the collection. As a rule woodcock predominated in the days kill. They both loved hunting woodcock. They were fleeing traps, targets and called for perfect co-ordination in brain, eye and muscle. 14 in a day is their record.

I can still visualize in memories eye the row of woodcock lying side by side on the kitchen floor, bronzy-brown breasts gleaming in the lamplight, their long bills and the mottled pattern of their heads like gold and shadow on a wood-land path when the sun filters through the green canopy overhead. The streamlines and more sober attired Wilson's Snipe, oily fat seeping through broken skin tissue showing like dull clumps on their white breasts. The black ruffs ringing their necks even in death, still held an appearance of life.

It was with this hunting background, in an age when game was plentiful and hunters a minority group, that dad bought me my first shotgun. It was a twist barrel double hammer 10 gauge of Belgian make with E. Johannson & Son inscribed on the lock. I felt as if I owned the world and Mark and Luke the Horton twins were no longer the objects of envy as they roamed the cut-overs and swales in quest of partridge with their single barreled muzzle loaders in hand and box of caps jangling in their pockets.

It was about this time that Jack, my Jack, dropped into my life like a bolt from the blue. On a late summer evening when the setting sun dimpled the waters of the old home lake nestled in the spruce barrow to the south and a vagrant breeze whispered in the leaves of the heavy birch grove that sheltered the homestead to the north, my dad drove into the yard on return from town and a dog hopped out of the wagon. It was a black and white Springer spaniel three or four months old.

He was a stranger in strange surroundings and felt and looked the part. After a few moments he hesitantly walked over to me and two soft brown eyes set in a freckled, spotted face gazed steadily into mine. He must have been encouraged by what he saw for his bushy three-quarter tail began to wag. He was my dog from that day on. I named him Jack after Uncle Willie's black dog. I do not think he was a pure bred Springer and that somewhere along the line a slight cross had crept in. I mentioned it at the time. I never forgot father's remark: "Don't worry about that. He's a good dog. How true it was. Jack was my shadow. Where I went he went if it were physically possible. Whether to the field to plough, or afield to hunt, the shotgun, Jack and I made a trio. Early in life I learned the inestimable value of a good hunting dog when game was to be retrieved whether dead or alive.

11 of the United States Trotting Association will be held in the Brunswick Hotel, Moncton, on Monday at 2.30 p.m. It is hoped that all members who can do so will be present. John DuCharme of the legal department of the U. S. T. A. will be present and will give an address featuring the activities of the Association in 1953. In the morning at 10.00 a.m. cases to come before the Board of Review will be held in one of the large rooms of the Brunswick Hotel.

Major Hoople

The annual meeting of District

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Furillo hit 344 in 1953 and a record of the box scores showed he would have been the champ even if the sacrifice rule had been in effect. He broke his wrist in a fight at the Polo Grounds early in September and missed the last three weeks of the season. "I'll guarantee you I won't do any fighting next season," Furillo said. "I'll stick to baseball."

WHY HAVE SORE FEET? JUST RUB IN MINARD'S "KING OF PAIN" LINIMENT

Canadiens In Player Changes

MONTREAL (CP)—Montreal Canadiens today announced release of defenceman Jim MacPherson to Montreal Royals of the Quebec Hockey League. He will play with the team Wednesday night in Quebec.

At the same time the National Hockey League club announced that Andre Corriveau, winger from Valleyfield of the QHL, will play with Canadiens Wednesday night in Toronto against the Maple Leafs.

Corriveau, currently leading point-scorer in the QHL, has already played in three games on a tryout basis with Canadiens. He will also be with the club when it plays an exhibition game in Belleville Thursday night.

Canada Hopes To Win Hockey Title

CHERBOURG, France (CP)—Toronto Lyndhursts, who will represent Canada at the world ice hockey championships in Stockholm next month, arrived here today from New York aboard the liner Queen Mary.

Their captain, Thomas Campbell, and coach Gregory Currie said: "We hope to win the championship, but Sweden and Czechoslovakia should give us tough games. We are very interested in meeting the Russian team."

They said several of the 18 players are suffering from the effects of the rough sea voyage.

The team will play the first of a series of exhibition matches on European rinks at the Palais des Sports in Paris Saturday night before touring Switzerland, Italy and Germany. They will play in Paris again after the championships March 13.

Russians Seek Ten English Racing Stallions

LONDON (Reuters)—Four Russian experts scrutinized thoroughbred British race horses Thursday with an eye to buying at least 10 English stallions for breeding their Russian race horses.

The leader of the Moscow purchasing delegation—the first to visit British stables since 1937—M. Rogalevitch, foremost Russian authority on thoroughbred horses. He explained: "The Soviet Union has some very fine horses, but naturally fresh blood is sometimes needed."

Furillo And Campanella Sign Contracts

NEW YORK (AP)—Carl Furillo, National League batting champ, signed his 1954 Brooklyn contract yesterday, crossed his fingers and said: "Here's hoping for another good year."

Thus within less than 24 hours the Dodgers reached contract agreements with the batting champion and the league's most valuable player, catcher Roy Campanella.

Both got substantial raises. Like the rest of the major-league baseball clubs, the Dodgers don't announce salaries, but it was learned reliably that Campanella got a \$6,000 raise to about \$32,000 and Furillo a boost of about \$5,000 to \$27,500.

OUR NEWS BUDGET for OUR SATURDAY SUBSCRIBERS

MONDAY

The carnival in Bequeque rink on Saturday was largely attended and presented a very colorful scene as over 50 skaters dressed in beautiful costumes came on the ice.

Mrs. Allie Harris, Summerside, Mrs. Claude Delaney, Albany, and Miss Catherine Wood, North Bedeque acted as judges and had a very difficult task to name the winners from so many outstanding rigs.

The president, Arnold Henderson, assisted by Mr. James Clark acted as scorers while Mr. Arthur Murray announced the winners over the sound system. Messrs. T. Inman and Brewer Johnson presented the prizes.

The annual banquet of the Victoria branch of the Canadian Legion was held at Leaanands, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Boswell, on Saturday evening when ex-service men and their wives

maintaining a high level of production and efficiency the result will mean a lot to the Province," said Hon. C. C. Baker, Minister of Agriculture in addressing the annual meeting of the P. E. Island Approved Flock Association at Summerside yesterday.

The meeting opened with 66 members in attendance at a turkey banquet in the Baptist Church of the Island. Rev. J. H. Somers assisted by Rev. T. H. B. Somers assisted by Rev. A. Frank McLean. Both ministers also officiated at the graveside in Peoples Cemetery. Large crowds also lined the streets and sidewalks as the long procession passed.

Mr. Urban Laughlin of Sherbrooke, was recently named president of the Prince Edward Island Junior Farmers' Federation and presided at the directors meeting which was held Saturday in Charlottetown.

Among the projects to be undertaken by the Federation are a provincial debating and crokinole competition.

Other members of the executive include Martina Hughes, past-president; George C. MacDonald, vice-president; and Morris Deacon, secretary-treasurer.

The directors are: Mr. Robert MacAssey, Urban Laughlin, William Cairns, Kathleen Dekker and Charles Wright.

Queen's County: Scott MacArthur, Heather Coles, George MacDonald, Gloria Jenkins and Sterling MacRae.

King's County: Joseph Cheverie, Martina Hughes, George C. MacDonald, Eileen Larkin and Charles Somers.

TUESDAY

The Legislative Assembly of this Province will open its regular session on March 2 at 3 o'clock. It will be the fourth session of the 47th Assembly and the first regular session to be presided over by Premier A. W. Matheson.

The session last spring saw Premier Jones as leader just prior to his resignation to take a seat in the Canadian Senate.

There is only one change in the makeup of the House this year. Premier Jones represented Fourth Queens and in a by-election last year the seat was retained for the Liberal party by Mr. Harold Smith of Pownal.

Falconwood Treatment Centre, designed to bring to the people of this Province many of the recognized methods for the successful treatment of various mental illnesses will be added to the Falconwood area before next fall, according to a Departmental official working on the project.

Close co-operation between the Deputy Ministers and their associates in the Department of Health and Welfare and that of Public Works has resulted in the design of a building capable of meeting all the requirements of the Health Department for a maximum estimated cost of half a million dollars which is regarded as economical.

OTTAWA, Jan. 25.—(Special)—J. Watson MacNaught, parliamentary assistant to Fisheries Minister Sinclair and Neil A. Matheson, Liberal member for Queens, were aboard the C.N.R. Toronto-Montreal flyer which crashed into a passenger automobile at Napanea, Ont., killing eight persons on Saturday evening.

"We felt the bump quite noticeably," Mr. MacNaught said today. "The train braked sharply after the crash and came to a stop. Shortly afterwards we backed up and passed the scene. It was a terrible sight. We could see some of the bodies on the ground, and there were several ambulances and doctors trying to do something for the victims."

Mr. R. Earl Taylor was re-elected President of the Charlottetown Y.M.C.A. at their 98th Annual meeting held in the Banquet Hall last evening.

Other officers elected were Dr. Roy Barrett, Vice President; J. O. MacLean, Treasurer; Ralph Carr, Secretary of the Board of Directors. Directors elected for three years were: Messrs. G. M. Avard, T. D. DeBlois, E. C. Johnstone, Paul Kays, J. G. MacDonald, Dr. Harold Shaw, F. B. Tinney and D. A. Wonnacott. Two year terms: Mr. C. F. Downe and Mr. B. E. Rogers. One year term: Rev. T. H. B. Somers and Mr. A. J. Haslam.

Mr. T. Roy Cudmore, a Past President and outstanding member of the Charlottetown Y. M. C. A. executive for many years, was presented with a Life Membership at the annual meeting held last evening in the Social Hall at the "Y."

The very high prestige enjoyed by Canada in Asia at present is

FRIDAY

For the third time in as many weeks transportation by motor vehicle in Prince County was gradually forced to a standstill as highways became blocked with snow drifts early yesterday morning.

The storm began about 1 p.m. on Wednesday and continued throughout yesterday causing a snowdrift in Summerside to close during the afternoon, and halting or greatly limiting various delivery services of local business concerns.

A persistent snowstorm driven by winds which at times reached gale proportions brought traffic to an almost complete standstill throughout the Province yesterday. Approximately seven inches of snow fell and was piled into heavy drifts by a steady 45 miles per hour wind that at times had gusts reaching 70 miles.

Government snowplows went out in an attempt to keep the paved highways open, but found it a hopeless task as 20 minutes after they passed the roads were closed again. All the plows throughout the Province were called in early and were standing by on an emergency basis until the storm ended.

Burglars apparently took advantage of last night's storm and attempted entry at two business establishments in Charlottetown. At about 11.30 plate glass at J. C. Montgomery's, Queen Street, was broken. Police were on the scene promptly and apparently the prowlers had no time to gather loot as nothing was missing. Then at about 12.10 a plate glass in the door of Atkinson's Groceria on Grafton street was broken. Here, again, police investigated promptly and nothing was taken. About 12.30 an automobile was reported stolen from in front of the Island Grill on Queen Street. City Police are investigating all three incidents.

CHING—At the Souris Hospital on Sunday, January 3rd, 1954, to Mr. and Mrs. Alvah Ching, Red Point, a daughter, Shirley Louise, 8 lbs. 12 oz. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gallant, Oyster Bed Bridge, a daughter.

HUGHES—At the Charlottetown Hospital on Jan. 23, to Mr. and Mrs. Pius Hughes (nee Bernadette Praught) a daughter, Brenda Lee, weight 7 lbs. 10 ozs.

McCARVILLE—At the Prince County Hospital in Summerside on Thursday, January 21, 1954, to LAC and Mrs. Joseph McCarrville, Kinkora, a daughter, Barbara Ann, weight 6 lbs. 13 1/2 ozs.

HOOPER—At the P. E. Island Hospital, January 24th, 1954, to Mr. and Mrs. Dawson Hooper, Charlottetown (nee Ruby Henderson) a daughter, 6 lbs. 10 oz.

McCARVILLE—At the P. E. Island Hospital, Monday, January 25th, 1954, to Mr. and Mrs. G. Stewart MacKay, Mt. Edward Heights, a son, 9 lb. 2 oz. John Gordon Stewart.

POSTMA—At the Prince County Hospital on January 21st, 1954, to Mr. and Mrs. John Postma, Newton, a son, John Bernard, weight 8 lb. 9 oz.

KIRBYLYK—At Burk's Falls Hospital, Ont., on December 29th, 1953, to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Kirbylyk (nee Linda Court) of Spence, Ont., a son, Alex Lowell.

DORSEY—At the Charlottetown Hospital, on Jan. 25, 1954, to Mr. and Mrs. James Dorsey, a son, CURRIE—At the P. E. Island Hos-

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS DOWN 1. Chinese silks 1. Body of water 2. Unit of weight 2. White with age 3. City wrong 3. Fortify (poss.) 4. Stiffened with starch 4. Stuffed pie (Gr. ch.) 5. Latches again 6. Latches again 7. Cuckoo 7. Cuckoo 8. Up to date 8. Up to date 9. Gallium (chem.) 9. Gallium (chem.) 10. Stews 10. Stews 11. Workshop 11. Workshop 12. Blacksmith 12. Blacksmith 13. Penny (U.S.) 13. Penny (U.S.) 14. Islet (Gulf of Mex.) 14. Islet (Gulf of Mex.) 15. Unit of resistance (Elect.) 15. Unit of resistance (Elect.) 16. Jog 16. Jog 17. Tops of waves 17. Tops of waves 18. Acts of renewing 18. Acts of renewing 19. Water god (Egyp.) 19. Water god (Egyp.) 20. Part of "to be" 20. Part of "to be" 21. Mother 21. Mother 22. Sack 22. Sack 23. One who plays a pipe 23. One who plays a pipe 24. Native of Denmark 24. Native of Denmark 25. Places 25. Places 26. Metallic rocks 26. Metallic rocks

20. River in North America 21. City (poss.) 22. Sacred (Gr. ch.) 23. City (Egyp.) 24. Part of "to be" 25. Flute (Mus.) 26. Snare 27. Sends, as a moving part 28. Money 29. Flute (Mus.) 30. Wiseman Yesterday's Answer (Egyp.) 31. Divisions of city (pol.) 32. Piece of skeleton 33. Letter of the alphabet 34. Rowing implement

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it. AXYDLBAXR IS LONGFELLOW One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's. X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different. A Cryptogram Quotation G KADRSEPGI NEGME ON YSJEIGLSEB MLSSEM LRDSY YU JDPDS PNDNSCE DSCFFM-ACIEUY. Yesterday's Cryptogram: BUT ALL SUBSISTS BY ELEMENTAL STRIFE, AND PASSIONS ARE THE ELEMENTS OF LIFE-POPE.