

### Hunters' Corner

jects of interest to local hunters, pen raised quail and pheasants, appeared in two recent issues this month.

**Bobwhites Bum Business in Pelican State.** In this article it is told why the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission ended its large-scale bobwhite quail stocking program in 1952.

The Editor put it this way: "You're playing the horses at your local Hunter Downs and the lot board shows the odds on Mr. Bobwhite in the fifth at 1 to 200. That's right 1 to 200 — not 200 to 1. He went on to say: "Here's the way we arrived at the above odds. During the 4 years from 1949 through 1952 Louisiana released 144,029 pen-reared quail. All were banded prior to release, yet only 855 bands have been returned. That figures out at slightly more than half of one per cent return. The cost of releasing these birds was about \$200 each; thus about \$400 of your money was spent for each quail we can account for through band returns. For every 100 bucks you lay on the line you can reasonably expect to get four bits back."

It was pointed out in the report Pennsylvania, Oklahoma and an Atlantic Coast State had approximately the same band returns from plantings of pen-reared quail totaling 80,000. Careful studies by Louisiana's game biologists revealed that pen-reared birds underwent a rapid and progressive loss after release in the field. By the end of six months, no more than three per cent of the birds remained alive. Here is a significant statement: "The answer to building up quail populations lies with improving food and cover conditions for the native wild birds."

#### Wisconsin Reports on Pheasant Stocking Study

The following extracts have been copied from this report: "Ring-necked pheasants were established in this country by the release of game farm birds in the wild. Realization of this prompts many people to rely on the stocking of additional birds to offset the loss of wild pheasants that the wild pheasants may undergo. The general argument for the liberation of pen-reared birds is that it will improve hunting, the Wildlife Management Institute reports.

In an effort to determine just how much hunting success is improved through the release of ring-necks, the game management division of the Wisconsin Conservation Department undertook a long-term study of pheasant stocking in that State. Attention was centered on two approaches, the release of adult birds of breeding age in the spring and liberation of immature cocks in the summer and early fall. Hens released in the spring in time for the breeding season produced smaller broods than the wild hens living in the same area. This low produc-

tion is attributed to the failure of two-thirds of the released adult hens to survive and bring off broods.

In summing up the report concludes: "But regardless of how high the returns of stocked birds are, the wild-reared pheasants still produced the bulk of the birds that are bagged each year. "Therefore," the Wisconsinists conclude, "in evaluating stocking as a game management technique the importance of maintaining habitat for the wild breeding population must be considered. Under certain conditions stocking can be an important practice, but under no circumstances can it be a substitute for habitat development and management."

#### SIMPLE SOLUTION

Methods if five thousand dollars was spent in establishing feed stations throughout the province during the summer and early fall and equipping mowing machines with flushing bars, with emphasis on horse drawn vehicles, it would go a lot farther toward improving the wild bird population than the loss of that amount on a table in a gamble, such as outlined, in a restocking program with pen-reared birds. When the Americans with hundreds of thousands of dollars and a quarter million birds involved in such an undertaking admit failure to achieve worth while results, what can we hope to accomplish with our flat pocket book and few hundred birds.

Its simplest procedure to establish a feeding Station. Pay a gravel truck operator to dump 3 or 4 tons of fine gravel at a selected spot in late June or July. Erect a brush shelter to protect the coverts from winged predators and there you are. The coverts will soon get into the habit of securing grit at such a spot and will seek food there later.

Stores of grain could be cached with the farmer living nearest at the feed shelter and when adverse winter conditions set in suddenly the sportsman doesn't have to go seeking the coverts — they come to him. The solution to a problem is so simple at times one stumbles over it in his gazing at far horizons.

### THE WEEK AT S. D. U.

The executive consists of the following: President, James S. Noonan, who represented the college at the C. F. C. C. S. conference recently held at Saint Francis Xavier University; Vice president, Willard McCarron; Secretary-treasurer, Thomas V. Grant. The committee members are: Michael Swift, Frank Gillis, William Trainor, Louis McIvor, and Gerald Burns.

The reason for this sudden re-awakening on the part of the students in general and the executive of the C. F. C. C. S. in particular to the existence of and wonderful potential of this organization seems to stem from the fact that it has relinquished its petty and trivial undertakings, which were in themselves no real justification for the existence of the organization in the first place, and instead has embraced the national project that is being currently supported by all the colleges in the federation.

This national project consists in the effort that is now being made on the part of all the Catholic colleges in the federation to acquaint the average high school student with the Higher Learning, to interest him in the pursuit of a liberal education; and to aid him as far as possible in attaining that goal.

The executive has secured the blessing of Bishop MacEachern for this new undertaking and it expects to have its program well under way by the arrival of the Christmas recess.

It is also their intention to approach the student body at the next general meeting of the Students' Union in order to obtain consent to set up the C. F. C. C. S. committee as a separate entity under the constitution. At the present time, this organization is something of a fledgling, struggling for room under the already crowded wings of the Students' Union Executive.

#### BASKETBALL WIN

Last Saturday, the Saints basketball squad successfully defended their court against the invading serial artists from Saint Mary's University in Halifax in the first game of the season played in the Alumni Gymnasium. In this exhibition game, the men in the red and white jerseys raced the Santamarians across the score sheet in something of a see-saw fashion, but came out in the lead.

John Kelly led the Saints attack with a total of 27 points, and was supported in the drive by Gene Lake who earned 16, and Mike Swift who contributed another 7 points. The Saints had only 23 field goals to Saint Mary's 22, but they capitalized more on the foul shots netting 13 from the Santamarians' 10. From all external appearances, it seems that the Saints squad is being hammered into a top-notch fighting team, and with this new blood coursing through the old arteries, the red and white team should make an excellent showing for its place in the regular league competition begins.

Speaking of blood, several members of the student body are now engaged in the almost thankless task of soliciting donors from among the students for the Red Cross Blood Clinic.

Even in the midst of so serious a business as this, it is somewhat amusing to note some of the ingenious methods being employed by the solicitors to shake their prospective clients from their sluggish "laissez-faire" attitudes.

One solicitor finds that if he approaches a student with a pad of pledges and a pencil in his hand, the student long calloused to canvassing of any kind will invariably answer even before being questioned, "Sorry, but I don't have any money right now." To this the solicitor merely answers, "I don't want your money, I just want your blood." Now the student

ent, being a student, can usually find the latent humor in any situation, so just to keep in step with the developing conversation, he'll answer, "Alright"; and he's hooked. The solicitor has now only to inform him as to the particulars of the pledge that he has taken upon himself.

But seriously, the student body in general seems to be cooperating admirably in this work that is so deserving of every bit of aid that is available, the work of banking a reserve of life-giving blood for emergency use, and even the most bloodless of the students, I think, will find that they have at least a pint more than they really need.

#### HOCKEY TUESDAY

But little removed from the bloody, at least in the minds of some, the hockey season is just about to swing into high gear here at Saint Dunstan's. This coming Tuesday, the Saints, who have been trimming themselves of those cumbersome extra pounds in some gruelling practice sessions, will pay host to the Summerside Aces in the opening game of the season.

Some of the veterans who have been keeping vigil at the Saints practices are of the opinion that this is the best squad that the college has put on the ice since 1947. They are expecting great things of this team during this coming season, but even those amongst us who are unwilling to go that far out on a limb will be watching this coming encounter very closely. How about it? Why not join us at rinkside: bring your own opinions, and we'll see who is right?

The younger men, those in the high school ranks, had their opportunity to trip gracefully before the footlights last Saturday, when the High School Drama Festival was staged in the Assembly Hall just before the basketball game. Only two plays were entered in

the competition, one by Grade X and one by Grade XII. The honors were fairly swept by the Grade XII Thespians whose victory is to be attributed to the talent of Paul McInnis, Ian MacDonald, and Herbert McKenna as it was polished under the superb directorship of Dave Gallant. These men should be competent contenders for the dramatic crown when they enter the college division next year, and we will be looking forward to viewing their efforts then with the same enthusiasm with which we now extend to them our sincere congratulations.

In an effort to acquaint the student body at large with more of the mysteries, marvels, and general principles of Gregorian Chant through the medium of a select few cantors, Fr. Kelly is undertaking the formation of a Vesper Choir to chant the Sunday vespers. This move displays the realization, at least on the part of a few, that something what has been found down through the ages to be wholesome, inspiring, and enlightening, will be in all probability forever lost to the students here unless some program is undertaken to acquaint them with its principles and the rudiments of rendering the chant.

So, until next week, greetings from Saint Dunstan's, and keep in mind the revealing truth that a good deal of the room at the top is made by men who have gone to sleep there and have fallen off.

#### Thom Outpoints Jean Ruellet

LIVERPOOL, England, (AP)—Wally Thom, British welterweight champion, outpointed Jean Ruellet of France, in a 10-round boxing bout Thursday night. Thom weighed 154½ pounds; Ruellet 156½.



### ALOUETTES MAJORETTES

The Montreal Alouettes troupe of 16 pretty majorettes is heading west to Vancouver for the Grey Cup shenanigans. Shown here aboard the CPR's transcontinental train are (left to right) Nancy Roland, Cloria Kirkland and Janet Turnbull.

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### DOWN BACK STRETCH

For the first time in Metropolitan New York the trotters and pacers outdrew the runners. The total attendance for the thoroughbred final figure tallied up to 4,392,257...Earle Avery was much to the front in the closing days of the above circuit, winning the pacing feature at Yonkers with the Dynamite Direct in 2:04 3/5. On the closing night at Yonkers, Nov. 19, Earle won with the trotter Flet Mignon and also grabbed off the pacing feature with Newton Girl, that turned in the fastest mile—2:03 2/5. Earle, who will drive exclusively for Norman and Robert Woolworth of Winthrop, Me., is building up a very strong stable for the futurities and also for the fast classes.

Recently we mentioned that Clarence Gaines, Lexington, Ky. was offering his stallions and brood mares for sale and discontinuing his breeding farm. Last week one of his most popular stallions, the trotter Algiers 1:58 4/5, was sold to a breeder in Italy and flown over there and word has come through that he is very comfortably stabled. Algiers was not the success as a sire that was hoped for in his first years in the stud, but recently his get have been coming to the front with excellent performances and no doubt if given further opportunity might have made a reputation as the leading sire. His sire, Volomite, 2:03 1/2, is the greatest sire of trotters and pacers of all time. To the best of our recollection this is the longest flight ever taken by a horse, that is from New York to Italy. The expense must have been quite heavy for that long jaunt by air.

The stallion Hoot Mon, that Sep Palin gave a record of 2:00 as a 3-year-old and that was the winner of the Hambletonian and other top stakes during his 3-year-old term was sold by Castleton Farm on the advice of Sep Palin to Hanover Shoe Farms for \$50,000 after winning the above. As it turns out he was probably one of the best buys ever made in the trotting stallion line, not excepting Peter the Great 2:07 1/2. His owners, Hanover Shoe Farms, sold 14 of his yearlings at Harrisburg for an average of \$16,357. The previous mark was \$12,000 average paid for the final crop of colts by Volomite 2:03 1/2. His stallion fee is \$5,000 and his book is closed for 1956.

One of the latest training quarters established in Florida is Spring Garden Ranch, Deland. The half mile track there has been finished up, put in good shape and is considered one of the best in the south. Charlie Mason of Poland, Maine, recently brought his stable there and Harry Coleman, well known here, checked in this week with his stable from Lewiston, Me. The southern trainer, Bob Walker, one of the best known in the business and highly regarded, has discontinued the operation of a public stable and has contracted with Mr. and Mrs. William T. Mayberry of Dexter, Maine, to train and drive their horses. They are the owners of the 3-year-old trotting star Salopone 2:01 world's record taken over a half mile track, and they also have other colts and were pur-

chasers of yearlings at the Harrisburg sale. Galopone will be remembered as the horse that got into the mixup with Scott Frost at Lexington and was injured and had to be retired.

Walter Gibbons, well known locally and a former Maritime driver, who was for so many years the manager of Roosevelt Raceway and is now manager of Bay State Raceway, has been appointed a director of the United States Trotting Association for the district in which he operates. Walter's son has taken over his Dad's duties at Roosevelt and his brother Ted is the manager of Yonkers Raceway. It was at Saint John, N. B. in 1930 that Mrs. Charles Ballard bought the 4-year-old pacing mare, Marjorie M. from Walter Gibbons' string and later sold her to Richard Jabalee. At that time Walter was handling horses owned by John E. Kelly, Bangor, Me. We think the price was \$400 and she turned out to be one of the greatest bargains that ever hit the Maritimes. She was co-holder of the Charlottetown track record at one time—2:07 1/2—and winner of thousands of dollars in her racing career in the three provinces. Much of her success was due to the careful training and good reinsurance of Mike Jabalee.

We in common with the many friends of George Hooper were greatly shocked to learn that he had been taken to hospital last week suffering from a heart attack. He was as usual faithfully performing his duties in the post office when the attack occurred. His son, Dr. Brenton Hooper when he learned of it flew home from Edmonton but when he found his father was improving returned to his large practice there. This is just one of the tributes we would expect to be paid to George, as there never was a more affectionate father or grandfather and one who had more respect and affection for his own parents. There was a time when George devoted himself to harness racing and was without doubt one of the best men up behind a top-hat that could be found. He seemed to have the right knack of getting the best out of them and keeping them from making a break. We are permitted to leave the hospital and that we will have an opportunity of greeting him and enjoying his usual happy comments.

We were delighted to have a post card from Charlie Stewart, who at Beach, Florida, is at Miami Beach, Florida. On it is: "Hello Colonel, this is where you should spend your winters. Swell place."

That's our hope some day, Charlie—when we get older and think about retiring

Maritimers will be proud to learn of Scott Frost's victory with Joe O'Brien in the sulky at Hollywood Park, Calif. on Thursday afternoon. The 3-year-old had placed second in the first dash of the \$75,000 trot, won the second dash and then the third. This will run his earnings up to \$186,100 for the season, the largest sum ever won in one season by a standardbred horse.

The operators of the pari-mutuels at Blue Bonnets Raceway, Montreal, must have been kept quite busy for in 102 nights racing this year \$14,500,000 went through the trough, and at Richelieu in 90 days, \$12,500,000. It is Blue Bonnets' turn to start the season's racing next year, the past season it was Richelieu's. The two tracks settled their differences last year on most friendly terms.

We would draw the attention of horsemen to Bob Brown's ad for the sale of that good pacer Skeeter 2:06 1/5 and Chris McElwya 2:12 3/5. These horses are well and favorably known as far away as in the province of Quebec. They are good mannered and easy to drive.

**FALL SPEED SALE**  
The 8th annual fall speed sale at Delaware, Ohio, takes place next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at Delaware County Fair grounds. There are over 500 horses of various ages catalogued, some with very fast records. Two that are being offered are Bannerway 2:07 2/5, 3, 2:04 3/5, owned by R. J. Logue, Sydney. He won four races at Roosevelt in fast company and his earnings for the season were \$6,330.80. A horse that has made many starts in the Maritimes is also offered as No. 117 in the catalogue—Ohio Hal p. 2:09 3/5, ten years old. He is consigned by Duncan MacDonald, Sydney, Ohio Hal has been racing quite well in Quebec where he lowered his record. He is a well-bred stallion, being by the noted sire Hal Dale. We understand that a couple of horsemen from St. John, N.B. are attending this sale and will likely bring back some horses that will make racing even livelier in 1956.

We were delighted to have a visit yesterday from Myron MacArthur of Kensington. Myron raced on the Maritime Circuit at Fredericton, Saint John and Moncton and did quite well with the horses he trained and drove. Given the right kind of horses Myron would be up at the top as he has good judgment, can place a horse well and also train them properly. Another advantage he has is that he is a splendid blacksmith and shoeing is a very necessary part in the horse game.

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