

Short-handed Islanders Lose 8-2 To Moncton



DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

A letter received last evening from Dr. G. C. McCoy, Fredericton, N.B., who has been a Director of the United States Trotting Association for several years for District 11 states: "Election of officers for this district takes place this month and my name will be up. Colonel, I am not in a position to give the time to attend meetings, etc., as much as I would like to and being fair to the horsemen in this Province I think it only right to have some man who can devote the time. I have talked it over a number of times with my friend Henry DeWitt and last year he said he would allow his name to go before the meeting providing I would not act. I am not acting and certainly would like to see Henry elected as our representative. He has every qualification and will make a grand man for the job. Woodstock is going in for night racing this year and I wish them every success. The way the situation looks, Fredericton will have no mid-summer meet but we will try our best to give the boys a good meet at our September Exhibition. Wishing you the best of luck and good health."

The above letter is characteristic of our good friend Dr. McCoy, whose connection with harness racing extends over a long period of time. It was always our great pleasure when racing at Fredericton to look forward to meeting him and the same went for other horsemen. With the position he now occupies as Registrar of Deeds at the capital city of N. B. we can quite understand his inability to attend meetings and all the detail work that falls on a Director of the U.S.T.A. His sponsorship of Mr. DeWitt will mean the election of a very popular man and horseman.

By this time all members of the U. S. T. A. in the Maritimes will have received their notice of the annual meeting at Moncton, February 26th, and we would again remind those who cannot attend to please sign their proxy cards and mail them, so that the Association can see we are interested in our annual meeting the same as the other districts.

Percy Walsh, representing Dr. Bell's remedies, on his regular visits to his customers at Belle River, looked in on Alexander Beaton who showed him the Volomite stallion Brian York 2:14 1/2—hand some as a picture. As mentioned last week Mr. Beaton has sent Bessie Budlong 2:15 1/2 and Mac Worthy to Leo Collins, Montague, to train and condition for this season's races. Mr. Beaton asked Percy to have us put Dingola's breeding in the back stretch as both Bessie Budlong by Calumet Budlong, and Mac Worthy by Abbe Worthy 2:05, are out of Maide the Great by Dingola, and Maide is out of Karsavna by Peter the Great 2:07 1/2. Karsavna was brought to this Province by the late George H. Reddin.

Percy's next call was to William D. MacKenzie of Flat River where he saw the three-year-old Colonel Budlong by Calumet Budlong, dam Belle Kalmuck. He is a full brother to Dan Budlong. He was also shown another three-year-old, Tiger Budlong by Calumet Budlong, dam Myrtle Kalmuck. Belle Kalmuck is now in foal to Brian York. Mr. MacKenzie is a great feeder and his colts have splendid size and development.

Answering the query re Dingola brought back memories of long ago when Fred Cameron arrived home in the fall of 1912 with the very handsome chestnut stallion, Dingola. Fred had been training horses since a young boy and in 1910 decided to go west and eventually landed at the Hopper Stock Farm, Indiana, Indiana. It was a very famous breeding establishment, started in the 90's by S. W. Williams, who had been a telegraph operator and on the side handled some produce and made some extra money that way. At a dispersal sale he bought two mares and sent them to Kentucky to be bred to one of the great stallions there. They were Lou and Gussie Wilkes. Lou was a crippled mare that he got for \$75, but both were by Mambrino Boy. He received a wire back that the only stallions available were William L. and Jay Bird. They were horses that were standing at small fees because they had not sired any important speed.

In due time the foals arrived and

Williams trained Axtell by William L., out of Lou, as a two-year-old and he lowered the record for stallions of that age to 2:23, and as a three-year-old he lowered the world's record to 2:12 to high wheels and was sold that same night for \$105,000, up to that time the highest price ever paid for a horse of any age or breed anywhere in the world. Allerton by Jay Bird, dam, Gussie Wilkes, was trained as a two and three-year-old without showing anything sensational, but as a four-year-old he trotted some grand races and took a record of 2:13 1/2. As a five-year-old he lowered the world's stallion record to 2:09 1/2 and an offer of \$150,000 was made for him and refused. Williams retained him in the stud and in the panic of 1893 Williams lost everything but through his regained a fortune through his stud fees as he became the leading sire of new performers for years. Allerton lived to the age of 24. After several years conducting the stock farm Williams traded it and breeding stock for 1700 acres of Canadian wheat land and it became known as Hopper Stock Farm.

When Fred went to Hopper Stock Farm it was a busy spot and he had lots of opportunity to pick up knowledge of the training of colts, also aged horses, their care, feeding and handling. It was an invaluable education for the young Prince Edward Islander but yearning for home he came back as mentioned above in 1912. The next spring he trained Dingola over the Charlottetown track and took him to Halifax for the big Exhibition meet in September. There he won the 2:19 pace for Fred in straight heats from Hillda St. (Conroy) 2:2-2, James K. Nebro (Raymond)—recently bought in Indiana for a long price—3:3-4, Dominion D. (MacKinnon) 4-4-3, Meadow Dale (Henderson) 5-6-5, Nick R. and Ozen D. distanced. Time, 2:14 1/2, 2:15 1/2. It was a very heavy track and the Free For All was won that same afternoon by Frank Rich in straight heats, best time 2:18. This great performance by the young pacer focused the attention of Mitchell and Adams, owners of Frank Patch, on him and led to his sale for a reputed price of \$15,000.

They had two vets look him over—but as Fred says, "He wasn't looking at them." They pronounced him perfect and Fred raced him with success the remainder of the season. It wasn't until early in the winter that the new owners found out he was totally blind! At that time there was a lot of "moon blindness" among horses in Indiana and nearby states, said to be caused by lack of some element in the soil, and Dingola had that trouble. Later on Mitchell and Adams placed him and Frank Patch in the hands of the noted trainer-driver Walter R. Box, who won with him on the Grand Circuit Inn 1914 in 2:05 1/2. Cox also won several races with Frank Patch, giving him a record of 2:08 1/2.

Now we have got pretty well off the beam in recounting the above so we will get back to Dingola's breeding. He was a chestnut stallion bred at Hopper Stock Farm, Indiana, Indiana, in 1908, sired by Expedition 2:23 by Electioneer, dam, Perfect Lady by Allerton 2:09 1/2. Perfect Lady was a full sister to the noted Grand Circuit race star Charlie Jack 2:07. Dingola years afterwards was purchased by the late Dave White of York Point, who was very fond of him and treated him most kindly. With very little opportunity in the stud he sired several in the list, the best of them being Jessica the Great 2:14 1/2 and Yorkola 2:14 1/2, the former being out of Karsavna by Peter the Great, a full sister to Widow Maggie, dam of Mr. McElwain 1:59 1/2, the noted stake winning trotter. Yorkola was a horse with terrific speed and the writer can recall seeing Tyndall Semple in a warm-up mile cutting him loose the last quarter in 29 3/5.

Woodstock and surrounding area is one of the horiest parts of the Maritime Provinces and we understand that there has never been as many colts and horses in this area with nearly all of them in training for the big events promised with the opening of the new night racing plant. Jimmie Smith, whose feats in the sulky will be remembered by many fans here, has fifteen head in his stable. For

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LITTLE SPORT



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Congratulations are being extended to Frank Acorn and his rink in winning the Provincial curling championship. It is not the first time he has ruled the curling roost, having won the British Consols Trophy some four years ago. Johnny Squarebriggs is a hold-over from the team of 1947 that competed in the Dominion playdowns at Saint John. Mel Jenkins, who tosses the lead rocks for the champs, is practically a newcomer to the sport—this being his second year. Bill MacNeill at second stone has come near making the grade on previous rinks and has had some six years' experience.

After an inauspicious start both the Summerside and Montague rinks Thursday showed a decided improvement in their play. Indeed, the Hayes rink from the western centre almost toppled the Acorn quartet from their perch when they met in their second match. It was decided only on the final end.

The Montague boys would be the last to offer any alibis for their play. However, in fairness to them they have not had the curling this year as in previous seasons. The weather has not been suitable for making ice and they have had very few games. However, they showed a good spirit in participating and providing competition.

Art Sullivan, who skipped the eastern boys, is a war veteran. Since the war he has had to learn to curl all over again. He lost both his right arm and right eye in a grenade explosion at Aldershot. Art, however, has made remarkable progress in tossing the rocks with his left hand. He surely rates a bouquet for his spirit and stick-to-itiveness. With more practice the Montague boys might well be on the top of the heap. They have really produced some very fine curlers that have showed the way to the rest of the Province in competitions of the past. They could well do it again.

At the present rate he is going. It looks like Roy "Buck" Whitlock, high flying centurion for Saint John Beavers, is headed for his third scoring championship in four years of Maritime Senior Hockey League competition. Taking over the leadership a couple of weeks ago over Bruno "Red" Favero of Islanders and Bill Watson of Halifax, who have been battling it out for top honors all season, Whitlock has been forging ahead daily and now stands at the head of the list by seven points over second place Watson.

Garnering two goals and an assist against Halifax on Thursday night, Buck jacked his total to 114 points up to that date with 52 goals and 62 assists, which is one point better than his last year's championship total, and still has nine game to go before the end of the schedule is reached. Watson, who also picked up two goals in Thursday night's game, has 43 goals and 64 assists for a total of 107 points.

A Charlottetown boy and a product of local hockey circles back in the days of the famed Junior Royals, Buck has been one of the most outstanding players in Maritime circles for a number of years. A shifty, fast skater, Whitlock has probably the most deadly shot of any player in the league, and is just plain poison to opposing net custodians when he gets within shooting distance. He capped off his first Big Four scoring title in 1947-48 with Moncton Hawks, had a not-so-good season with Hawks again in 1948-49, but came roaring back with Beavers last season to top the parade again, and is now well on his way to clinching the

St. Thomas Win College Semi-Finals Series In 11-5 Victory Over S.D.U.

Hockey Scores

Maritime Major	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Charlottetown 2, Moncton 8	70	46	20	4	310	190	96
Cape Breton Major	69	39	27	3	298	265	81
North Sydney 3, Sydney 4	69	31	36	3	268	279	65
Maritime Major	69	16	49	4	216	358	36
Cape Breton Major	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Sydney	67	35	14	25	173	90	70
Glace Bay	67	25	31	11	219	236	61
N. Sydney	68	16	35	17	203	278	49

National League	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Detroit	33	11	10	12	181	114	75
Toronto	29	12	12	5	164	110	70
New York	16	20	17	126	148	49	70
Montreal	18	23	12	123	147	48	70
Boston	17	23	13	130	148	47	70
Chicago	12	34	10	142	201	34	70

Horse Races On Ice Here This Afternoon

The first horse racing meet over local harbor ice this season will get underway here this afternoon when the Victoria Driving Club will stage a 4-class event at 2:30 with a total of 23 starters. The quarter-mile course for the meet has been laid out at the East side of Hillsboro Bridge just off Kensington Beach.

Due to the condition of the ice, all racing fans are warned to keep their cars off the ice as a safety precaution. The following are the classes and entries for today's racing:

Class A Pace
Calumet Onward, Johnny Kalmuck, Colonel Sherbrooke, Royal Tell, C. Albert Budlong, J. M. J.

Class B Pace
Carl Aubrey, Gerry Grattan, Nature Boy, Lady Rose, Reuben Lee, Starlight Direct.

Class C Trot and Pace
Millidae, Prince Marine, Sister Vernon Whoo, Northern Scott, Ruthera.

Class D Trot and Pace
Rolloway, Jeanette Spruce, Mac, Anyway, Helen Dale, Jimmie M., Eugene Handover.

Other top contenders at the moment are Islanders' Favero and Trainer with 93 and 89 points respectively for third and fourth positions, with Trainer still leading the pack on assists with 66. Nick Nicole, another local hockey player, is in fifth position with 87 points, while Frank Bathgate of Islanders is in the number six spot with 86. These statistics are unofficial, however, and do not include games played last night.

HORSEMEN DON'T FORGET

That Nominations to the P. E. I. Harness Racing Club's Colt Stakes for 2-YEAR-OLD TROTTERS, 2-YEAR-OLD PACERS, 3-YEAR-OLD TROTTERS, 3-YEAR-OLD PACERS, 4-YEAR-OLD TROTTERS, 4-YEAR-OLD PACERS Bred or Foaled in the Maritimes

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HUNTERS' CORNER

Under date of February 3, 1951, The Alberta, Calgary, Alberta, in reporting on the 21st annual convention of the Alberta Fish and Game Association carried this headline: Farmer-Sportsmen Riff Viewed With Alarm. Speaking on the subject of "posted" land in the Province where the owners had put up "No Hunting", "No Fishing" and "No Trespassing" signs, a delegate from Red Deer had this to say, to quote in part: "Year after year gets these signs posted in increasing numbers and unless we are very careful we will eventually arrive at a point where hunting and fishing are controlled by the landowners for the benefit of their own particular friends..."

As is the usual custom, the blame was placed upon "a few thoughtless and irresponsible people." In many instances trigger happy hunters with no regard for the rights or property of landowners and to whom a fat rooster, plump turkey or waddling barnyard mallard are not immune from lead poisoning if the opportunity offers, are the ones mainly responsible for "posted" property. They are not 100 per cent to blame, however. In quite a few instances selfishness on the part of individual hunters is the cause and this applies equally to both urban and rural hunters.

I know of instances where a party of hunters after enjoying a season or two of good sport on land where the owner was not interested in hunting himself eventually prevailed upon this farmer to "post" his land to everyone else but themselves. They had discovered a good thing and took this way of securing it for their own special enjoyment. Then again there is the landowner, quite frequently a farmer-hunter, who posts his own farm and then proceeds to hunt on everyone else's land regardless, who is also responsible for signs going up.

However, a I intimated earlier, pure downright vandalism is the main cause of "posted" property. Here is a case in point. Last fall, I received a letter from a farmer's wife who lives in the Blooming Point-Tracadre Cross area dated October 22nd. She had a complaint to make. Here are a few extracts from this letter: "What do you think of two hunters that shot two of my almost finished roosters last Thursday, picked them up one each and went off as fast as their convertible coupe could take them. If they are even bold enough to open gates and take their cars and trucks across our property...and believe me our land is going to be posted next year, every inch of it. If hunters think they can come and shoot roosters after all my hard work and expense. They must know how high feed is. If they could spend a day on a farm and see all the work that is done they would think twice before they would do those things..."

Such deplorable actions on the part of hunters are extremely rare but they do occur on occasion. It happened with roosters at Auburn seven years ago and with turkeys as the target at Greenvale and Piquid within the past 10 years. If the present proposed Game Act goes into effect any persons convicted of such an offence will have their hunting privileges cancelled for an indefinite period. Whether the culprit comes under the category of those having to purchase a hunting license or not his hunting activities will be over for a number of years unless he wishes to

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Local Team Without Five Regular Players

MONCTON, N. B., Feb. 16—(CP)—Moncton Hawks hung up their most impressive victory in the Maritime Major Hockey League tonight, downing league-leading Charlottetown Islanders 8-2.

Showing to better advantage than they have in weeks, Hawks outscored the short-handed Islanders in all three periods. Islanders were without five of their regulars, Favero, Trainer, Dutchnak, Clements and Ready.

Dalt Barkwell and Roddie McKenzie paced the Hawks with a pair of goals apiece and both also added an assist.

Walt Pawlyshyn and Cecil Dowling were the marksmen for the Islanders.

Hawks ran the count to 3-1 in the first period on a pair of goals by Barkwell and a single by McKenzie.

McKenzie started the scoring again in the second and Besette made it 5-2 after Dowling scored for the Islanders.

Goals by Lou Milani, Sandy Air and Fred Denny put the game on ice in the third period while the visitors were held scoreless.

McLagan drew a major penalty in the second period when he and Lou Milani started trading punches. Referee Stan Swain separated the belligerents and was bowled over by McLagan as the burly defenceman protested the major penalty. No addition was made to the sentence for the incident.

The game was wide open most of the way with Hawks showing sharp passing attacks. Islanders held a slight edge in shots on goal, firing 31 at Les Colvin in the Moncton cage to the 29 shot at Strain who was subbing for regular goalie Hal Gordon.

Charlottetown: Goal, Strain; defence, Travis, Vitale; centre, Beaudry; wings, D. Horeck, J. Horeck; subs, McLagan, Pawlyshyn, Bathgate, Beaton, Morrow, C. Dowling.

Moncton: Goal, Colvin; defence, Dunville, Smith; centre, McKenzie; wings, Milani, Denny; subs, Galpeau, Demchuk, Air, Barkwell, Besette, Imonti, M. Dowling.

Officials: Swain, Bradshaw.

First Period
1—Moncton, MacKenzie 2:31
2—Ch'town, Pawlyshyn, (Vitale) 8:20
3—Moncton, Barkwell, (Demchuk) 10:14
4—Moncton, Barkwell, (Demchuk, Besette) 19:00
Penalties: McLagan, Travis.

Second Period
5—Moncton, McKenzie, (Milani, Denny) 1:10
6—Ch'town, C. Dowling, (McLagan) 2:24
7—Moncton, Besette, (Imonti) 6:50
Penalties: Denny, Bathgate, Imonti, McLagan (minor and major), Milani, Vitale, J. Horeck, Smith.

Third Period
8—Moncton, Milani, (McKenzie) 19
9—Moncton, Air, (Barkwell) 3:02
10—Moncton, Denny, (Milani) 18:50
Penalties: Vitale, Travis.

Exhibition Hockey

In an exhibition hockey game played at Sandy's rink, Marshfield last night, a combined team of Marshfield-Dunstaffnage area garnered a close 4-3 verdict over East Royalty.

The game was a closely contested affair, that came up with plenty of good, clean hockey that didn't produce one penalty throughout the encounter.

Wins Shirt

Islanders left winger Walter Pawlyshyn, was the winner of the Jack Cameron "best player" award here on Wednesday night when the Islanders downed Saint John Beavers 6-2. Walt played an impressive game for the locals that won him the guaranteed Forsythe shirt.

HOCKEY MEETING

Special meeting P. E. Islanders Hockey Club in the Legion Hall, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 7:30 P. M. All shareholders are requested to attend. Urgent business to be discussed by order of the executive P. E. Islanders Hockey Club.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 16—(AP)—Eugene Hairston floored the usually durable punch-absorber, Paddy Young, five times tonight to stop the New Yorker in 2:37 of the second round at Madison Square Garden to the accompaniment of a storm of boos from the crowd. Hairston weighed 169 1/2, Young 158 1/2.

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