DR. MacDONALD RINK UNDEFEATED

Three Teams In Running

2 Ch'town, One Montague Rinks Bidding For Crown

The Island Curling championships being held at Summerside Curling Club boiled down to a battle between three rinks as the third day's play in the bonspiel was completed last night.

Dr. Wendall MacDonald's Charlottetown foursome, making a strong bid to retain the title won at Montague last year, racked up its fifth straight win by defeating Frank Acorn's rink yesterday atill undefeated, is joined in the fight by a Charlottetown rink led by Cliff (Jiggs) MacDonald and a Montague quartet skipped by A.G. MacDonald.

Six more rinks were put out of the championship competition inleuding the Frank Acorn rink which had a 3-0 record after the second day's play. Each of the Charlottetown MacDonald rinks defeated Acorn.

Other rinks eliminated yesterday were Summerside rinks skipped by B.F. Hunter, Bruce MacWilliams and J.E. Morrison and Charlottetown rinks skipped by Bill MacNeill and Doug Cameron.

The Cliff MacDonald rink and the Montague rink each won two matches yesterday and now sport 4-1 records.

The final matches to decide the championship are scheduled to be played today.

The Frank Acorn rink was eliminated from Provincial Championship play in the six o'clock draw which saw the Cliff MacDonald skipped foursome win by a decisive 12-6 score. The MacDonald rink took over the lead on the fourth end and were never headed afterwards.

The MacDonald rink from Montague stayed in the championship running by nipping the Bruce MacWilliams rink of Summerside in a hard fought match that went an extra end and was decided on the last shot. Montague later defeated the Morrison rink.

NARROWS DOWN

The race for curling honors and the British Consols trophy narrowed down to six teams at the end of the 12 (noon) round. The Bruce MacWilliams foursome put the B.F. Hunter rink out in the morning round. The Ernie Morrison rink eliminated Bill MacNeill and his men of Charlottetown and the Cliff MacDonald rink of Charlottetown downed their fellow townsmen skipped by Doug Cameron in the 12 (noon) round.

RESULTS

FIRST ROUND

B. F. Hunter S 201 001 000 200— 6
B. MacWilliams (S)
000 220 112 021—11

The Earl Cannon rink won by default from the D. H. Saunders rink Section "B" competition.

SECOND ROUND

W. L. MacDonald (C)
001 101 131 30x—11
E. F. Acorn (C)

110 010 000 01x— 4
B. MacNeill (C)

201 020 000 200— 7
J. E. Morrison (S)
010 101 230 011—10

Doug Cameron (C)
402 001 011 000— 9
Cliff MacDonald (C)
020 400 200 410—13

THIRD ROUND

MacDonald (M)
101 020 100 020 1— 8
MacWilliams (S)
010 101 001 201 0— 7

In other mid-afternoon matches in the Class "B" playoffs the Matthews rink of Alberton defeated the RCAF (Ede) rink 7 to 4 and the RCAF (Christmas) foursome defeated the Summerside (Dickie) rink 8 to 5.

FOURTH ROUND

E. F. Acorn (C)
011 010 101 10x— 6
Cliff MacDonald (C)
100 303 020 03x—12

Other scores in the six o'clock draw, which saw two matches between rinks that have already been eliminated from the Provincial championships but are now playing off in class "B" competition, resulted in the Jerry Hayes rink of Summerside defeating J. A. Clark of Summerside and the Bert Hunter rink, also of Summerside winning by default from the H. C. Atkinson rink of Charlottetown.

FIFTH ROUND

Ernie Morrison (S)
110 120 110 100— 8
A. G. MacDonald (A)
003 002 002 021—10

CLASS "B"

J. Hayes	405 240 xx—15
E. Cannon	010 002 xx— 3
H. Mathews	003 201 03— 9
F/L Christmas	210 030 10— 7

STANDINGS

	W	L
W.L. MacDonald (C)	5	0
Cliff MacDonald (C)	4	1
A.G. MacDonald (M)	4	1
OUT OF COMPETITION		
J.E. Mossison (S)	4	2
Duck Acorn (C)	3	2
Bruce MacWilliams (S)	3	2
Bill MacNeill (C)	2	2
Doug Cameron (C)	2	2
B.F. Hunter (S)	2	2
Atkinson (C)	2	2
D.H. Saunders (C)	1	2
H. Dickie	1	2
Matthews (A)	1	2
Ede (RCAF)	1	2
Christmas (RCAF)	1	2
Cannon (S)	0	2
Hayes (S)	0	2
Clark (S)	0	2
G.E. Campbell (A)	0	2
Burden (C)	0	2

ULRIC GALLANT FIRES TWO

Aces Defeat B.Y.C. 6-3 In Island League Game

The Summerside Aces defeated BYC of Charlottetown 6-3 in a regular Prince Edward Island League game at Civic Stadium last night.

The first period ended 1-0 for Aces, and each team scored one in the middle frame. In a very fast final canto the Aces scored 4 goals to the visitors 2.

Ulric Gallant led the Ace snipers with two goals. "Spy" Ready scored a brace of tallies for BYC.

The only goals of the first period was scored by Ron MacArthur as the result of smart combination play between the big defenceman and Coke Grady. MacArthur carried over the blueline, passed ahead to Grady, who, heading for the left corner, passed one back to Ron, and MacArthur's shot beat the surprised Goalie cleanly.

Whitlock of BYC evened the count after five minutes of play in the sandwich session. Buck carried over blue line, Grant Grady getting a piece of him, but not enough to put him off balance. His shot was neatly tipped in by Ready. The Aces went out in front again three minutes later, Ulric Gallant tipping Wallie Shepherd's shot past Shepherd in the BYC goal. Squarebriggs even the count early in the final frame, and the home forces got the next four goals, Cutcliffe and Coke Grady combining for two taking turns at triggering the scoring shots. Grant Grady banged the disc through a maze of legs to Ulric Gallant in front of the crease for the third, and the Harris brothers combined nicely for their last counter of the evening, Garth scoring from right in front of Shepherd.

Ready closed out the scoring 15 seconds before the end of the game on a nice three-way effort with Whitlock and Howatt.

Thane Mann, who stopped a lot of labelled shots, won the Holman Shirt award for the most valuable player.

SUMMARY

First Period:- 1. Aces— MacArthur (C. Grady, Steele) 7.17.

Penalties— C. Grady, Whitlock, C. Grady.

Second Period:- 2. BYC — S. Ready (Whitlock) 5.10; 3. Aces- Gallant (W. Shepherd) 7.56.

Penalties— G. Grady.

Third Period:- 4. BYC - Squarebriggs (L. Shepherd) 1.34; 5. Aces- Cutcliffe (C. Grady) 4.04; 6. Aces- C. Grady (Cutcliffe) 4.20; 7. Aces- Gallant (G. Grady) 6.19; 8. Aces- G. Harris (V. Harris, W. Shepherd) 10.07; 9. BYC - Ready (Whitlock, Howatt) 19.45.

Penalties— Whitlock. G. Grady.

Referees —Don Whelan and Emmett Trainor.

Lindsay, Beliveau and Howe In Struggle For Scoring Title

MONTREAL (CP)—It's a sure bet the National Hockey League's official scorers are in for a rough passage until the schedule ends in five weeks.

The individual scoring race is so close a single assist may decide the championship and the $1,000 that goes with it.

In a three-man struggle for the NHL title, Jean Beliveau of Montreal Canadiens has 67 points on 27 goals and 40 assists. Gordie Howe of Detroit Red Wings has 66 points on 33 goals and as many assists, and Ted Lindsay, also of Detroit, has 65 points on his 23 goals and 42 assists. Closest is Andy Bathgate of New York Rangers with 50 points.

If there is a tie, the winner is the player with the most goals. If the tie is still unbroken, then the player who has been in the fewest games wins. If they're still all square, its the player who scored the season's first goal.

Howe may appear to be in a preferred position.

But pointing up sharply the importance of the assist, the records show that players with the most goals missed winning the title seven times in the last 12 seasons.

HOWE FOUR-TIME MAN

Maruce (Rocket) Richard of Montreal, goal leader four times, finished second three times and fourth once. He tied on goals in the 1954-55 season, when he was under suspension for the last three games, and missed a tie on points by one assist.

That same season provided a rousing finish among three Montrealers. Bernie (Boom Boom) Geoffrion had 75 points, Richard 74 and Beliveau 73.

Sid Abel of Detroit had most goals in 1948-49 but finished third. Ted Lindsay's 33 goals in 1947-48, when the schedule was 60 games, led the goal-getters. He was ninth in the point standing. Gaye Stewart, with Toronto in 1945-46, was tops with 37 goals but second in the standing.

Howe has won the scoring title four times, three when he was top goal man. He is in his 11th season. Lindsay, in his 11th season, has won only once and then despite only 23 goals to Richard's leading 43. Beliveau was leading goal man last season, his third, and won the title.

GOALIES FIGHT TOO

The goal-tenders also are waging a merry battle for the Vezina Trophy and the $1,000 prize money. The title goes to the goalie who has played the most games for the team least scored on.

Glen Hall of Detroit, who hasn't missed a game, has been beaten 114 times. Jacques Plante of Montreal takes the goals-against mark of 118, although he has missed nine games.

Terry Sawchuk, under suspension by Boston Bruins would rank next. Boston has been scored on 128 times.

Don Simmons, current Boston goalie, has played 10 games, the same as his rookie predecessor, Norm Defelice.

Simmons seems destined to remain in the Boston net, for the time being at least. Dependent upon Sawchuk's status, Simmons would become the eligible man for the award.

MacDonald And MacMillan Rinks Play For Ch'town

On February 1st eight teams from the Ladies Branch of the Charlottetown Curling Club began the play downs to decide which two teams would represent the local club in the Crockett Trophy Play. This trophy is emblematic of the Island Ladies Championship.

The teams were skipped by Kay Johnson, Ada Mahar, Doris MacDonald, Elizabeth MacDonald, Helen MacKenzie, Mary MacLellan, Sybil MacMillan, and Marie MacNeil.

This was the largest representation the club has ever had and very keen interest was shown by both participants and spectators None of the games were in the least lop-sided. On the contrary, each and every game was a close battle, all the way.

Thursday afternoon play was completed with teams shipped by Doris MacDonald with mate Inez Gallant, second Olive MacDonald lead Fran Whitlock and Skip Kay Johnson, mate Pauline Burden, second Rosemary Hill and lead Nora MacDonald the victors.

These two teams will meet teams from Summerside, Montague, and Alberton in Summerside on Feb. 20th and 21st to decide the Crockett Trophy Winners and the Island Ladies' Championship.

Hampshire, York At Arena Tonight

Tonight at Sports Arena at 9.30 York will play Hampshire in an Intermediate "C" playoff tussle. Players of both teams and officials who have arranged the contest are hoping for a good attendance of fans as the teams have kindly agreed that the nominal fee being charged for admission will be handed over to help the promotion of minor hockey in this city.

CURLING

CHARLOTTETOWN

Saturday afternoon

5th round Old Spain competition.

2:00 p.m.

Ice 1. Don Smith vs. C. Ready.
Ice 3. Dr. Hooper vs. F. MacInnis.
Ice 4. D.R. George vs. P. Blakney.
Ice 2. open.

3:30 p.m.

Ice 2. P. Brydges vs. Ron Clark.
Ice 3. G. Henderson vs. T. Whitlock.
Ice 4. G. Bennett vs. S.S. Carson.
Ice 1. open.

CHARLOTTETOWN MIXED CURLING

7:00 P.M.

Ice 1. R. Pitt (Skip), B. Greenough, L. Blakney, J. Grant, vs. G. Greenough (Skip), E. Pitt, W. Willis, N. Blakeney.

Ice 2. D. Wonnacott (Skip), N. Farmer, W.E. Scantlebury, J. Coady, vs. Farmer (Skip), F. Wannacott, J. MacLean, I. Giddings.

Ice 3. G. Bennett (Skip), I. Williams, D. Stewart, A. Trainor vs. V. Williams (Skip), D. Bennett I. MacLellan, N. O'Toole.

Ice 4. G. Anderson (Skip), E. Bell, D. George, S. MacMillan vs E. MacInnis (Skip), B. Prowse, A. Tait, N. Dockendorff.

Spares:- N. Stewart, G. MacKay, N. Saunders, D. Haywood, E. Anderson, N. MacLennan.

8:30 P.M.

Ice 1. A. Love (Skip), B. Reeves L. Doyle, H. Taylor vs. N. Reeves (Skip), H. Love, J. Taylor, Mrs. L. Doyle.

Ice 2. R. Jones (Skip), E. Johnston, J. Boomhower, B. Jenkins, vs. F. Johnston (Skip), N. Jones, A. Humphrey, Jennie Boomhower

Ice 3. W. Pickard (Skip), P. Saunders, R. Matheson, J. Wood, vs D. Saunders (Skip), L. Pickard A. Wood, H. Matheson.

Ice 4. J. Simmonds (Skip), N. Stewart, T. Hooper, L. Webster vs. G. Stewart (Skip), V. Simmonds, D. LeClair, V. Hooper.

MONTAGUE

Mixed curling for Saturday at Montague

7:00 p.m.

East Ice: D. Wannamaker, A. Wannamaker, J. Cudmore, E. Cudmore vs. G. Phillips, E.Clay, D Sorrey, A. MacGregor.

West Ice: L.H. Poole, O. Poole, G. Nicholson, D. Nicholson vs. G. G. Jardine, B. Smith, R. Johnston, H. Johnston.

8:30 p.m.

East Ice: R. Pettitt, A. Pettitt, G. W. MacDonald, M. Poole vs. T. Clair, H. Clair, S. Llewellyn,

West Ice: C. Nicholson, M. Nicholson, H. Fraser, E. Hickox, vs. P. Johnston.

Dr. L.A. Johnston, H. Inman, R. Martin, A. McKeeman.

10:00 p.m.

East Ice: A.E. Sullivan, M. Sullivan, V. Martin, T. Martin vs. Dr. MacIntyre, C. Stewart, V. Duvar, E. Duvar.

West Ice: A.A. Fraser, L. MacDonald, D. Acorn, C. Gordon vs. R.R. Beck B. MacGowan, R. Knox, A. Power.

ALBERTON

Mixed curling schedule at the Alberton rink tonight.

7 p.m.

Ice 1:- H. Campbell, R. Hutt, F. Bryan, V. Callbeck vs. M. Hutt, B. Matthews, B. Clarke, B. MacDonald.

Ice No. 2:- C. Hutt, J. Campbell, C. Bungay, N. Gillis vs. B. Weeks, E. Hutt, L. Wilkie, I. McKinnon.

8:20 p.m.

Ice No. 1:- Dr. Phillips, I. Clarke L. Wilkie, B. McRae vs. C. Gordon, C. Campbell, G. Gibson, D. Travers.

Ice No. 2:- H. Ramsay, V. MacKay, C. VanIderstine, L. Milligan vs. B. Shaw, R. Millman. S. Rayner, V. Fraser.

9:40 p.m.

Ice No. 1:- J. Myrick, B. Waugh, C. Travers, M. MacKenzie vs. J. Pike, M. Nicholson, H. Matthews, K. O'Malley.

Ice No. 2:- E. Turner, E. Noonan, U. Seaman, N. Gaudet, vs. K. Matheson, L. Turner, D. MacKenzie, A. Seaman.

N.H.L. WEEKEND

Games scheduled in the National Hockey League this weekend.

Saturday

New York at Montreal
Detroit at Toronto
x - Boston at Chicago

Sunday

Montreal at Chicago
Toronto at New York
Boston at Detroit
x - indicates afternoon game.

Game Tonight

In the only City League basketball activity over the weekend Trotters take on P.W.C. Welshmen at 6:30 tonight at P.W.C. auditorium.

A victory for Trotters will give them sole possession of top place.

St. Pats Trim Hornets 8-4

Albany St. Pats trimmed Milton Hornets 8-4 at Borden rink last night to win the best of three Intermediate "B" series 2-0.

Ron Cameron whipped in three goals to pace the Albany attack. Carruthers sniped two while Fred DesRoches and Delbert Dawson, each picked up singles.

Harold Hughes shot two for Milton with Tremere and Campbell getting the others.

Racing Today At Causeway

Four well filled classes are ready to go this afternoon at North River causeway in a regular racing card of the Victoria Driving Club.

Twenty horses are starting and, because of the already crowded classes, officials in charge will not be able to take any more entries. Other horses will be raced on Wednesday's card.

Following are the horses and their classifications.

A Pace - Whispering Hope, Cooly Boy, Downtown.

A Trot - Flying Fortress, Buddy Budlong, Bud's Echo, Fortune Pride, Lucky Logan, Sir Francis Drake, Christy Lacci.

B Pace - Money Royal, Johnny Jester, Murphy's Abbe, Bob Clegg, Calumetta.

C Pace - Bonnie's Money, Avalon Gal, Ginger E., Long John, Jollity's Al, Star Clegg.

Juvenile Practice

The following Juvenile hockeyists are asked to be on hand this evening at Sports Arena for a workout at 8:00 p.m.

Kenny Ford, Alan Dalziel, Bill Reid, K. Thompson, J. Clark, D. Mills, M. MacRae, G. Ward, L. Gregory, M. Arsenault, D. Wood, K. Johnston, D. Ashley, A. Mac

DURING ANNUAL COLLEGE DAY

P.W.C. Splits Hoop Tilts; Loses Hockey Game 4-3

Prince of Wales College Welshmen could manage only one victroy in three athletic contests held as part of the College Day celebrations yesterday.

University of King's College athletes were the visitors and the King's collegians came through with a 22-21 victory in a girls basketball game played at the auditorium in the afternoon and a 4-3 victory in a hockey tilt at the Sports Arena last night. The Welshmen's sole victory was a surprising 67-51 decision over King's in another afternoon basketball game.

P.W.C. and Model School held combined Ice Sports at the Arena last night also, with plenty of exciting finishes and amusing novelty races.

HOCKEY GAME

P.W.C. played a tireless, battling game against King's and almost pulled it out of the fire in the last few minutes of the third period when they fired two straight goals to cut a 4-1 King's lead to only one goal. Coach George Andrew yanked goaltender John Blatch for the last few seconds but the move didn't pay-off.

Ross Pigot blinked the light twice for the Welshmen, and on both goals, he was set up neatly by centerman Bobby Lund. Dale MacWilliams sniped the other on a pass from B. Lantz in the third.

D. Warren turned in a fine two-way game for the visitors and, besides sniping the third goal, set up B. Hatton for the winner in the third. D. Thompson and E. Veino potted the other King's goals.

Between periods of the hockey game Burke's Lads and Lassies Pipe Band serenaded the fans with some lilting Scottish music.

LINEUPS

P.W.C. Goal—Blatch; defense—Trainor, Stevenson, C. MacDonald, Tweedy; Forwards—Lund, Pigot, Lantz, Chandler, Davies, Stewart D. MacWilliams, A. MacFayden.

KING'S:- Goal—MacKenzie; Defense—Roung, Andrews, Turnbull; Forwards—Warren, Hatton Wnetzell, Harris, Hamm, Veino, Thompson.

Referees:- Allie Carver and Orin Carver.

SUMMARY

First Period:- 1. Welshmen, Pigot (Lund) 4:57; 2. King's, Veino (Turnbull) 14:14.

Penalties:- Stewart.

Second Period:- 3. King's, Thompson 5:15; 4. King's, Warren 10:15.

Penalties:- Trainor, Warren.

Third Period:- 5. King's, Hatton (Warren) 0:30; 6. Welshmen, Pigot (Lund) 9:26; 7. Welshmen, MacWilliams (Lantz) 14:41.

Penalty:-Thompson.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Showing a surprisingly strong attack, the Welshmen basketballers rolled over the quintet from Kings 67-51 in the exhibition tilt played at the college auditorium in the afternoon.

Coach Red MacFayden, donned playing togs and directed the Welshmen in very deliberate, methodical attack. The P.W.C. boys discarded their usual wide-open style of play and kept it tight and close to the vest. Except for a rally early in the second half by Kings, Welshmen had everything pretty well under control.

Kenny MacKenzie, getting better with every outing, paced the P.W.C. with a 20-point performance. The crew-cut youngster tossed in 12 of the points in the first half when the Welshmen built up a nice 18-point cushion, holding a 41-23 lead at half time.

Long Jim White hit for 11 points and Larry Flack and Ron Storey each had 10.

Benji Smith was the biggest man in every way for Kings. Smith, who stands 6 feet 5 inches ran up 21 points for the losers. Fred Nicholson scored 14.

BOX SCORE

WELSHMEN	FG	FS	PF	Pts.
A. MacKenzie	1	4	2	6
H. MacLean	1	4	2	6
Johnston	0	0	0	0
Flack	5	0	2	10
Storey	5	0	1	10
White	5	1	3	11
K. MacKenzie	9	2	1	20
M. MacFayden	2	0	4	4
TOTALS	56	11	15	67

KINGS	FG	FS	PF	Pts.
Walker	3	1	0	7
Nicholson	6	2	0	14
Smith	7	7	1	1
Deacon	2	0	2	4
Miller	0	3	3	3
Blister	0	2	2	2
TOTALS	18	15	8	51

Referees — Earl Nicholson, Archie MacFayden.

P.W.C. lassies lost a heartbreaker to the King's co-eds by the score of 22-21. The girls of the local college ran into a big 12-3 lead at the end of the first half but faded under pressure in the second and were outscored 19-9.

M. Reed of the visitors paced her squad dunking 10 points on 4 field goals and 2 foul shots, the only two foul attempts that paid off for King's. K. Gosnell and J. Bryson each picked up four points.

D. Jay swished in 6 points to lead the home crew. J. Cerry had 5 and M. Rogerson 4.

P.W.C. team was assessed with 15 personal fouls, while King's had only 8 called against them.

BOX SCORE

P.W.C.	FG	SF	PF	Pts.
Duvar	0	0	0	0
P. Johnston	1	0	0	2
Cudmore	1	0	1	2
NacNeill	1	0	1	2
N. MacDonald	0	0	2	0
P. MacDonald	0	0	5	0
Jay	3	0	0	6
Rogers	0	0	2	0
Rogerson	2	0	0	4
Cerry	2	1	2	5
C. Johnston	0	0	2	0
TOTALS	10	1	15	21

KING'S	SG	SS	PF	Pts.
Reed	4	2	4	10
Banks	0	0	0	0
Puxley	0	0	0	0
Rand	0	0	0	0
Crane	1	0	0	2
Cruikshanks	1	0	2	2
Gosnell	2	0	0	4
Bryson	2	0	2	4
TOTALS	10	2	8	22

Following are results of the ice sports:

Doll Carriage Parade: 1- Judy Matheson; 2- Connie Cullen; 3- Susan Campbell.

Tricycle Race: 1- Wayne Beaton; 2- Paul Keizer; 3- Roger Montagne.

Boys 8 years: 1- Bobby Docnerty; 2- Richard Rogers; 3- Wendall Duncan.

Boys 9 years: 1- George Duncan; 2- Colin Campbell; 3- Donnie Miller.

Girls 9 years: 1- Carol McLure; 2- Gail Loftus; 3- Linda Downe.

Boys 10 years: 1- Russell Burgoyne; 2- John Rogers; 3- Jamie Kennedy.

Girls 10 years: 1- Mary Cullen; 2- Elaine Reynolds; 3- Glenda Stewart.

Girls 11 years: 1- Joyce Glover; 2- Diane Munn; 3- Louise Jones.

Boys 11 years: 1- Douglas Cunnigham; 2- Gordon Miller; 3- Douglas Ross.

Girls Open: 1- Elaine Reynolds and Mary Cullen; 2- Diane Munn and Glenda Stewart.

Boys Open: 1- David Burgoyne; 2- Russell Burgoyne; 3- Jamie Kennedy and John Rogers.

First year boys: 1- Keir Jones; 2- Ronnie Nisbett; 3- Edgar Ellis.

First year girls: 1- Gail Mustard; 2- Vinnie Mabbs; 3- Pat Cronin.

Second year boys: 1- John McGowan; 2- Floyd Stewart; 3- Wayne Ladner.

Second year girls: 1- Ferne Townshend; 2- Joyce McCannell; 3- Ernestine Mille.

Third and fourth year boys (commerce and teacher's training:: 1- Lincoln MacLeod; 2- Garth MacLennan; 3- Sandy Flack.

Third and fourth year girls (commerce and teacher's training:) 1- Margaret McNutt; 2- Frances Pendergast; 3- Yvonne Perry.

Boy's open: 1- John McGowan- 2- Floyd Stewart; 3- Lincoln MacLeod.

Girl's open: 1- Margaret McNutt; 2- Ferne Townshend; 3- Gail Mystard.

Boy's relay: 1- Second year; 2- Third and fourth years.

Girl's relay: 1- Third and fourth years; 2- First year; 3- Second year.

Novelty race: 1- George Trainor and Ferne Townshend; 2- Alan Dunbar and Pat Cronin; 3- John McGowan and Ernestine Mills.

HUNTERS' CORNER

Training Of A Lifetime Cannot Be Lost Overnight

The habits and training of a lifetime cannot be shed overnight like an old coat. While serving overseas in France and Belgium during the 1st Great War I learned to heed those mysterious 'hunches' that reached one, like a dim voice out of the unknown, when things were hot to look for a better hole. They did'nt come often but I figure on three occasions obeying a sudden hunch to move saved my life. During my long years as game warden mysterious messages that reached out like radar payed off when acted upon. Now don't get me wrong they did'nt come often. . .sometimes the air lanes would be silent for a year or longer.

Here is an incident that happened twenty seven years ago. . .the 2nd year as game warden. On a blistering hot mid-August afternoon I was driving along a secondary clay road. An overgrown wood road on my right caught my eye. I knew it led to a secluded duck marsh but kept on driving. I figured I'd check it at deep dusk in the evening as shots had been reported on this marsh the evening before. As I drove on I had a hunch I should give it a look-see. I argued with myself: "You're not in the army now chum so why worry. . . .who'd be after ducks on an afternoon like this, save it for tonight" After driving past for a full mile the hunch still persisted. With a view of securing peace of mind rather than achieving any definite result I turned around and walked in the wood road to the marsh for a look-see. Once again a hunch paid off. I found a poacher with a collie on a long leash ferreting out flapper black ducks in the marsh hay. He was carrying a shotgun but had no need to use it. In fact he never had further use for that particular gun.

This account naturally leads up to a recent incident as recent as last Saturday. I forget whether it was just before dinner or just after that the airways transmitted a message. . . "better take a look at MacCallum's Spring at Fullerton's Marsh". . . the old undefinable hunch was working again. After dinner I remarked to my wife: "Its a lovely afternoon. I think I'll run out to Fullerton's Marsh and have a look at the the black ducks in MacCallum's Spring" I knew there would be ducks there for its a favorite feeding spot in severe winter weather. . . in fact the only one on the marsh.

When I walked out to the car parked in the gangway I found the exit blocked by a car with the driver not in sight. I was filled with a feeling or urgency and ordinarily would have raised the roof at the delay in getting started. As I looked at it as this occasion I had nothing special to do and all afternoon to do it in so retired to the house for twenty minutes when the way out was clear. I parked the car beyond Bunbury Station and walked across Bus Jones' field to his woodlot. There was a closer and more direct way to the spring but from force of habit I choose to make my approach from the north rather than the south.

I Followed a wood road that ended on the west side of the MacCallum farm. The spring is named after the farmer who owns the land abutting the marsh and is situated a long gunshot from a point of woods that juts our into the marsh. This spring is large, a full thirty or forty feet either way, across and at low tide is like a deep cellar with the bottom boiling with bubbling water. From the south a long, narrow field flanked by woods on either side runs to the marsh. A hedge of trees seperates the field and mars hwith a gap at its northwest corner.

I didn't take the easy approach through the field but cut through the woods and entered the marsh on its west side. The incoming tide had filled the spring to within two feet of its brim and as I drew near black ducks. . . approximately 60 of them. . . took wing. Some in the narrow runs leading from it flared into the air almost in my face. . . their black, pulsating bodies and silvery under wing lining standing out in bold relief against a sunny, blue sky. If ever ducks were caught with their landing gear down they were.

A light skiff of snow had fallen during the night but the bleak, crusted snow bordering the spring was swept almost bare by the wind. I spotted no special sign until in a slight hollow in the crust filled with fresh powdery snow, like Robinson Crusoe of old, I came upon a footprint. . . a number 8 boot with a square plain heel and an unusual pattern on the sole. I could pick that boot out, or one like it, in a jiffy. The track was almost smoking fresh and could have been made within an hour. I read the following story: A man had come from the south and walked down the middle of the narrow field until if he had come any further he'd have got in line with the gap in the hedge and been exposed to view from the spring. The field slopes to the north.

At this point he cut across to the woods on the west side and skirted its edge till he came to the gap where he stood in a clump of bushes and kept the spring under observation for some minutes. He then walked across the marsh to the spring's edge and stopped into a large floating ice cake. I found no sign of blood, shells or wadding. The wadding could have blown away; the shells picked up and a duck removed from water. . . if there was one removed. . . . might not bleed. Out of curiousity I followed the tracks south for a considerable distance.

Incidentally after he left the marsh he did'nt skirt the field but continued on straight up the middle Another interesting sign was picked up. Near the top of the rise he stopped, turned around and watched his back trail for a moment. I thought to myself that guy is jittery; he's like an old Buck deer in the hunting season, he keeps an eye on his back trail. I imagine if I were still on the job we'd have met head on. . .I would'nt have dilly dallied so long.

It's amazing what one can read from a set of human footprints. Those tracks were furtive, far different from the twin sets of tracks that had passed by the spring during the thaw; they were'nt interested in the spring or its contents. I had passed the same sets of tracks at the edge of Bus's field and put them down as fox hunter's. It was'nt hard to figure out who wore the number tens with the seven league stride. Sometimes I puzzle over such occurrences. I have talked to Indians who believe it is possible to transmit thought waves. As an old Indian goose hunter I met in Alberta once remarked: "When'um hunt goose 'um don't think goose too hard" Maybe he has something there. Perhaps the guy was thinking 'Spur' too hard. It could be for I have a hunch we've met before.

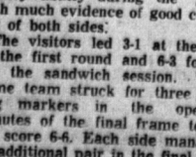
Packers Wallop Cornwall 10-0

Canada Packers walloped Cornwall 10-0 at North River rink Thursday to take their best-of-three intermediate "C" series 2-0. In another game Seven Mile Road whipped Glasgow Road 7-3 to even up their "C" series 1-1.

Rogers scored three goals for the Packers while Dalziel, MacKenzie and Pineau racked up two each. Gillis got the other.

Smallwood, with three goals, paced the Seven Mile Road victory. Wright got the other.

E. Corbett scored two for the



DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

A despatch from Jim Harrison, Publicity Director of the USTA, from Columbus, Ohio, dated February 8th, is as follows: The U.S. Trotting Association's Year Book, a 1,207 page chronicle of harness racing activities in 1956 was published today. Although more horses (14,622) raced in 1956 than in any other year, the size of the book was reduced by 68 pages through changes in the format. The present volume is the 69th in a series published annually by The USTA. It includes a summary of each of the 32,177 races contested last year as well as the official world record table, a chronology of major stake events, a table of eligibility assignments and a statistical index listing every horse that raced. More than 12,000 USTA members will receive the book as part of their membership.

One of the most popular young men around the Charlottetown race track a few years ago was Russel "Whitey" White, who left here to take employment in the United States and is now at Delaware, Ohio, half mile track. Whitey is with the celebrated trainer Wayne Smart, who is also one of the leading drivers in the U.S.A. and has been for years. In 1955 his stable made 266 starts and was 90 times first, 47 times second and 32 times third with an average of .477 and winnings of $147,146 His employers are the Castleton Farm, Lexington, Ky., proprietors of which are Mr. and Mrs. Van Lennep.

Now for Whitey: "Just a line to let you know how things are getting along. I am wintering here at Delaware, home of The Little Brown Jug. Quite a difference from last winter which I spent in Florida. I saw in Down the Back Stretch where you visited Spring Garden Ranch when you were there last winter. That is where I was and it is funny I didn't see you. I saw Henry DeWitt. I am still with Wayne Smart. He is a good guy, about the best there is to work for.

In the letter I wrote you from Goshen last June I told you I had Robert Lee Frost, the colt Castleton Farm paid $30,000 for. Well at the end of the Grand Cir-

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Alberton High & Kensington Tie

Alberton High School came from behind to make up a five goal deficit to tie Kensington High 8-8 in a hotly contested exhibition game at Alberton last night.

Both teams exhibited excellent hockey ability during the game with much evidence of good coaching of both sides.

The visitors led 3-1 at the end of the first round and 6-3 following the sandwich session. The home team struck for three sizzling markers in the opening minutes of the final frame to tie the score 6-6. Each side managed an additional pair in the final hectic minutes of the contest ot make the score 8-8.

E Sinclair got four tallies for Kensington, Andrews A pair and

Elmsdale Wins First Round

The Elmsdale Rockets won their best of three intermediate "C" semi-final series with New Annan Beavers Thursday night in a rousing game at Kensington which went into a scoreless ten minute overtime period followed by nineteen minutes of sudden death play.

The Rockets, organized this winter, overcame a 4-1 lead by New Annan at the start of the final period to tie the game and force overtime play.

The opening game at Elmsdale was won by Elmsdale 6-4.

For Alberton W. Albert and L. Profit notched two each and Millman, O'Brien, B. Profit and E. Millman Lone Markers.

Saints Host To King's College At Gym Tonight

University of King's College basketball squad will be visiting St. Dunstan's University this evening for an exhibition tilt with Saints intercollegiate hoopsters.

King's came to town yesterday to celebrate P.W.C. College Day and took a beating at the hands of the P.W.C. team. However, it is expected that King's will be flooring a stronger aggregation tonight with the addition of a few players who missed yesterday's tussle.

Saints are attempting to keep in shape for the Maritime junior basketball finals which begin here next week. Saints will be playing the Moncton CY—Hi squad for the championship Moncton defeated

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