

# S'ide Midgets Win Maritime Hockey Title

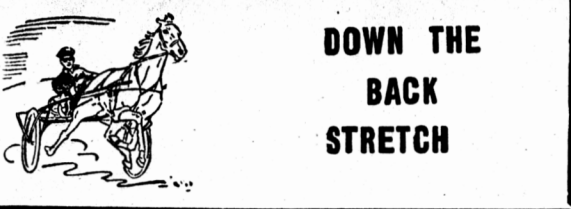


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**DOWN THE BACK STRETCH**

Early this week George B. Gay, President of Monoton Raceway and proprietor of Gay's Taxi with his son William, returned from a most enjoyable transcontinental tour of several weeks. For a change from their accustomed method of travelling they took the good reliable pullman conveyances of the best railroads and liked it very much. Our part of the conversation with Mr. Gay over the telephone was chiefly concerned with his visit to California and the race tracks there. He described California as being really wonderful, a beautiful country with almost perfect climate, and apparently everyone with a carefree expression on their countenances. Of course he spent most of his time around the race tracks where one does not very often see gloomy expressions on the faces of those one meets.

Del Mar, where the horses were being trained in preparation for the big Santa Anita meeting April 1st to June 17th, he described as a perfect place to train, plenty of sunshine, plenty of shade and well cared for track with a nice cushion on it and the best of stabling with all the horses that he looked at in beautiful condition. They were given a very warm welcome by Joe and Mrs. O'Brien and shown the various horses and told about their doings. Of course as Maritimers they were particularly interested in Brewer's Gallon, that Joe gave a record to at Santa Anita last fall of 2:06 1-5, and hopes to knock a few seconds off it this spring. They saw him work a mile in 2:12 very easily, the last quarter in 30 seconds. He is staked in the \$7,500 Fullerton Trot which will be raced May 20th. There are 24 entries in it, and of course he will make other starts. A dozen other members of Joe's stable will be racing at Santa Anita.

The Maritime owned Cassie Hanover, the property of Ed McCarron of The Coffee Pot, New Glasgow, N.S., is much improved and will be heard from later and Joe likes the three year old Silk Prince that he bought as a yearling at Indianapolis in 1948. Joe and Mrs. O'Brien took the Gays on a much enjoyed trip to Santiago, thence to Mexico, and with them also paid a visit to Hollywood race track, a real show place.

George says, "I saw Joe work eight horses one morning and I want to tell you that he is a very busy man. Nothing is neglected. He has excellent help who seem devoted to him. Of course he has not a real star horse in his stable this year such as Indian Land, and none of his string will take part in the \$50,000 trot or pace at Santa Anita but it is quite possible that Joe may be called upon to drive an entry in one or both. We had a look at the much talked of pacer Dr. Stanton 2:00 and understand that his owner, Mr. Fraser, recently refused an offer of \$30,000 for him. Out there everyone talks in the thousands or millions, but I guess we get just as much kick watching our less expensive horses here as they do in sunny California."

In The Harness Horse of March 24th appears an excellent photo showing Joe O'Brien and Mr. Gay holding Brewer's Gallon by the head and Mrs. O'Brien and William Gay holding Cassie Hanover—a sextette of Canadians enjoying the California sunshine."

When racing rolls around the familiar and popular trotting mare Marjorie Hanover 2:11 by Calumet Chuck, will not be in the Maritimes to answer the starter's bell. A few days ago she became the property of Don Larlee, who is one of the Maritimes' top hockey players during the winter season and races horses in the summer. The well-bred Marjorie has been owned by F. C. Coates of Amherst for several years and was raced at Dufferin Park a year ago by Johnny Campbell, who also handled her all last season. She was a consistent race horse, giving a good account of herself in every start, most of which were against pacers.

She won at Truro, June 20, from Single Streak, Peter Budlong, Doctor L. B., Billy P. C. Parker, in 2:13 2-5. At Truro, July 23, she won the classified trot and pace with 1-1, Sandy D. 3-2, Jean Henley 2-3, Jacob Withrow 5-4, Cyclonic 4-5, time 2:11. 2:14. The first heat was the fastest heat trotted by a mare in the Maritimes in 1946. Marjorie also had other winning brackets and has accumulated a total earnings of \$4,855, making her eligible to the 215 pot. Don plans to race her and



**IN THIS CORNER**

The Summerside Kinsmen Midget hockeyists, their coach Jimmy Hogan and team manager Jimmy Harris, will be the recipients today of many congratulations from sports enthusiasts all over the Province. This column takes great pleasure in adding its heartfelt congratulations to the many others being extended.

What did they do to deserve these congratulations? They captured the Maritime Midget Hockey championship for 1949-50, and made a highly impressive job in doing it, and were the only team this year to represent the Province, in any division, in Maritime hockey playoffs to come through with top honors. In fact, the Midgets were the only team to get by N. B.-P. E. I. title play, and in addition won the three-Province crown as well.

Coming up with top-notch performances all season to knock off the Provincial and N.B.-P.E.I. titles, the smooth working band of Hogan-coached Midget pucksters turned in a powerful performance at Stellarton, N.S., Thursday evening to send the Truro Midgets, Nova Scotia Midget champs, down to a 13-5 shellacking in a sudden death game for the title.

Their victory was a saving grace to one of the Island's worst seasons in a great many as far as team participation in mainland hockey circles is concerned. Their fine showing will be received with much satisfaction by those who have supported the extensive minor hockey league program this year in an effort to build up promising hockey material for future years. Again we say, congratulations Summerside Kinsmen Midgets.

According to a recent press release from London, England, "Czechoslovakia's world champion hockey team has been dethroned without facing a skate; and once again the spotlight plays on the problems arising from totalitarian countries' relations with international athletic contests."

"The report continues to say that 'the last minute Czech defection undoubtedly hit gate receipts at the World Tournament here last month. It probably didn't affect the outcome much, Most observers were sure Edmonton Mercurys, who regained the title for Canada, could have whipped the former champions. But it took some of the glamor and excitement out of the series."

"Apparently," states the report, "the Czech cabinet thought the risk of having most of their players decapitated, plus the risk of losing prestige if beaten by the Mercurys, was too great." To this column's way of thinking, it is a case of too many right wingers and not enough "lefts" from the Czech's point of view.

**Horsemen Attention**

A \$1,000 stake for 2.30 pacers to be raced at Chatham, N. B., July 1st. has had only 8 entries so it has been re-opened until April 15th. This race should attract all the best 2.30 pacers in the Maritimes. We have raced it successfully for the past 3 years—so why not have your pacer eligible?

A. D. NAPKE,  
Secretary,  
Newcastle, N. B.

## Decisive Week-end For Toronto, Detroit Teams

TORONTO, April 7 — (CP) — Toronto Maple Leafs and Detroit Red Wings, running hot and cold in turn in their best-of-seven Stanley Cup semi-final, can't escape a final decision this week-end in the rugged battle to decide which will play New York Rangers in the final series for hockey's top trophy.

The Leafs, holding a 3-2 edge in games, can finish it off on their home ice tomorrow night if they can break the pattern of alternate victories which has prevailed since the series began. If the pattern holds and the Red Wings take the sixth game, the decision will come in the seventh game billed for Detroit Sunday night.

The Toronto team, gunning for its fourth successive Stanley Cup championship, won the first game of the series 5-0 and the third and fifth by 2-0 scores. The Wings won the second 3-1 and the fourth 2-1 after 20 minutes and 38 seconds of overtime.

Both teams rested today in preparation for the decisive week-end.

## Canadiens Ousted, Leafs Down Wings

MONTREAL, April 7 — (CP) — New York Rangers unleashed a driving third-period attack last night to shut out Montreal Canadiens 3-0 and advance to the finals of the Stanley Cup series.

Rangers wound up the semi-final against Canadiens with four victories against one defeat.

Little Jack Gordon, a rookie from Rangers' New Haven farm club, broke a scoreless tie after little more than four minutes of the final period.

Less than a minute later Rangers had the game well in hand when Pat Egan, Ranger defenseman, drilled a long screened shot from just inside the Montreal blue line that whistled into the cage past Gerry McNeil, playing his second game of the series for Canadiens.

That was the end for Canadiens, whose desperate attacks were beaten back time and again by the close-checking New Yorkers who threw up an impregnable wall in their own zone.

**First Period**  
Scoring—None.  
Penalties: Raleigh, Richard, Harvey, O'Connor.

**Second Period**  
Scoring—None.  
Penalties: Lewisick, Richard.

**Third Period**  
1—New York, Gordon, (Mickoski, Stanley) ..... 4:22  
2—New York—Egan, (O'Connor, Stanley) ..... 5:18  
3—New York, Fisher, (Lund, Laprade) ..... 16:47  
Penalties—None.

**DETROIT 6, TORONTO 2**

DETROIT, April 7 — (CP) — The tough Toronto Maple Leafs, backed by the stellar net minding of Turk Broda, last night gained a 3-2 stranglehold on their Stanley Cup semi-final series by blanking Detroit Red Wings 2-0.

It was Broda's third playoff shutout. The sixth game of the best-of-seven series is scheduled for Saturday night at Toronto.

Broda posted 21 saves in hanging up his shutout, but only a few were difficult shots as Leafs gave him terrific protection against Detroit's would-be scoring thrusts.

The game was marked by 12 penalties. The game was a clean hard checking affair in contrast of the first two games here in which fights were more plentiful than goals.

**First Period**  
1—Toronto, Kennedy, (Smith, Mackell) ..... 10:35  
Penalties: Mortson, Eatinicki (major), Stewart, Carveth, Kennedy.

**Second Period**  
Scoring—None.  
Penalties: Gardner, Barliko, Timinger, Lindsay, Mortson, Frenovost.

**Third Period**  
2—Toronto, Bentley ..... 8:37  
Penalty—Barliko.



**HUNTERS' CORNER**

The period April 9-18 has been set for National Wildlife Week, which incidentally includes April 10th, the birthday of the late Jack Miner. Our wildlife is assuming more importance with each passing year. The late Jack Miner achieved continent wide acclaim for his work on behalf of our wildlife with particular emphasis placed upon the noble Canada goose.

Jack Miner placed great stress upon predator control. He claimed that because man had upset Nature's balance by killing waterfowl and upland game birds for food, it was up to man to make amends in part by also taking a toll of natural predators that preyed upon our wildlife. He was particularly set against wolves, crows, Great horned owls, Goshawks, Cooper's and Sharp-shinned hawks. He made the assertion over 20 years ago that unless the wolf menace was checked, those animals would eventually exterminate the big game population of Canada's north.

Today competent observers have become gravely alarmed over the havoc wrought among reindeer, caribou and deer in northern Canada by roving wolf packs. Unless something is done to check the inroads made by wolves upon our big game, Jack Miner's prophecy bids fair to become a reality.

National Wildlife Week sees thousands of wildgeese present in the province. It is apparent that we are experiencing a record Canada goose migration. On March 31st in an area south of the Hillsboro River I estimated over three thousand geese in one concentration. The birds were dropping in to a special feeding ground and one flock extended over a half mile in length and the roar of their concentrated honking resembled the din raised by thousands of crows disturbed on a rookery.

I was using a pair of powerful field glasses and consider the count was accurate. In estimating the number of birds in a large flock one doesn't attempt to enumerate them one by one but blocks the flock off in lots of 50 or 100 and makes the count by the number of blocks in a flock. Estimating wildgeese in a flock is a pretty deceiving business if one goes by look alone. A long smudge of geese on the skyline may look like a cloud a quarter mile long and many would claim that they saw 500 geese. Put a pair of field glasses on them and the flock of five hundred shrinks to a mere one hundred.

At a largely attended meeting of the Queens County branch of the P.E.I. Fish and Game Association held in the city on Thursday night, April 6th, a fitting tribute was paid to the memory of the late J.D. Jenkins, prominent Charlottetown sportsman, who passed away a short time ago. Mr. Jenkins was an enthusiastic and far-sighted sportsman who on his own initiative, purchased and liberated 10 Hungarian partridge on his farm on the Mount Edward Road three miles from Charlottetown on October 29th, 1927. Today the Hun holds a place in the sportsman's world in this province that will be hard to fill.

J.D. Jenkins was a man who loved life. Not in a sense of bright lights, cocktail lounges and the thunder of horses' feet on the home stretch but in life as represented by the Great Outdoors. To him the baying of hounds on a hot trail ... a red fox on snow ... the plaintive call of the plover ... a vibrant sunset over the island bay ... a swim of wildgeese over East River ... the dawn wind whispering in the rice beds at Wisner's ... the splash of feeding trout in the sluders on Big Brook ... moonlight on Fortune Bay ... were an integral part of living. After all is said and done, many of the best things in life are there for the taking, cost nothing and pay big dividends in bodily health and a clean mind.

Among other points brought out at the meeting it was suggested that the opening dates and bag limits for migratory birds should remain the same as last year, while as the result of much discussion concerning the damage done by crows, the Association has offered a prize of an automatic shot gun to the member shooting the most number of crows up to a period ending July first of this year. In order to qualify for the contest, each contestant must be able to produce at least seventy-five pairs of crows' feet in order to be eligible for the competition.

## Score 13-5 Victory Over Truro Bearcats In Sudden Death Game

The Summerside Kinsmen Midgets won a Maritime championship Thursday night, defeating the Truro Bearcats, Nova Scotia Midget champs, in a sudden-death encounter at Stellarton, N. S., by the score of 13 to 5. The Summerside team had previously defeated the New Brunswick title holders, the Moncton West-end Beavers, in Moncton by the score of 5 to 4, annexing to the N.B.-P.E.I. title for the second straight year. The game at Stellarton was hard fought for two periods, Summerside leading 3-1 at the end of the initial session, and 6-4 at the close of the second frame. It was feared the Island team might feel the effects of the long car trip and fade in the final period, but the opposite proved to be true. The Island boys really caught fire in the last twenty minutes, banging in seven goals for a 13-5 final score.

The Truro team dominated the play as the first period opened, Jimmie Hogan's charges apparently a bit jittery for a time. 20 seconds after the start of play Mentis snared a loose puck in front of the cage and his feeble shot caromed off a leg and trickled over the goal-line.

Then the new Maritime champs started to hit their stride. Ed Dalton straight down centre lane from the red line. He split the defence went in on Brenton and sagged the draperies with a rising shot. At the half-way mark Summerside went ahead, MacArthur scoring on a pass from Campbell. Wheadon went off for slashing but the Truro boys held on. Ten seconds after they were again at full strength Darby took a pass from Gallant on left wing and made it 3 to 1.

**Truro Presses Play**

Truro took charge again as the sandwich session opened. After a half-minute of play Mentis, the colored flash, made it 3 to 2. The Nova Scotia champs seemed to have lots of pep at this stage and their checking kept the Summerside boys busy on their heels. Hepburn led the score on a blaring shot that was screened. After this goal the Islanders found themselves again and started to fight back, holding their own on territorial play. Don Darby chalked up his second goal of the night on an end to end play which was completed at the goal-mouth.

Shortly after the Summerside boys became over-eager on the attack, and three Truro forwards broke away from the pack, going over the Summerside blueline and converging on MacKay. There were no passes, Collins, the original puck carrier, fired the shot which beat MacKay at 13:33.

This knotted the count again. As a result of the prettiest passing bout of the evening, MacArthur and Walker beat the Truro defence a minute later. MacArthur scoring. Darby put the Kinsmen two up before the period ended, working his way in close on a pretty stickhandling effort.

As the final period opened Jim Hogan began to change his lines more rapidly, quite often without a whistle. After three minutes MacArthur gave a forward pass to Coke Grady who banged home the disc between Brenton's legs. Grady was banished for cross-checking MacArthur, and soon after MacArthur and Wheadon drew Mr. Hogan for fighting. Playing five men to four the Summerside team rushed matters and Clive MacDonald scored two goals in the space of 14 seconds, giving the Island team a commanding five-goal lead. Six minutes later Dalton staged his second successful solo and the score was 10 to 4. Balfour MacKay, Summerside's goalie, tangled with Smith of Truro in a short but furious bit of stickuffs and Smith went off for five minutes along with Coke Grady who was chosen to do time for the net guardian. Darby got his fourth goal of the night at the fifteen minute mark. Hepburn scored a soft one for Truro's last tally, MacKay stopping the shot with his stick held on an angle and the puck trickled into the corner of the cage. Grady made it 12 to 5 on a blazing shot from close in and Eldon Chapman ended the scoring spurge, shooting one past Brenton from in front of the cage.

MacKay, Kinnmidge goalie, played one of his best games, being particularly effective in stopping lone rushers who had broken into the clear and left the Summerside defence stranded up ice.

**Lineups**

Truro Bearcats—Goal: Brenton; defence: Hepburn, Shea, Conley, Wheadon; forwards: Maxwell, Mentis, C. Collins, Griffiths, P. Collins, Smith, Dewar, Stevens, Cavannah.

Summerside Kinsmen: Goal: MacArthur; defence: Dalton, Campbell, Champion, Wedge; forwards: MacArthur, Walker, Grady, Darby, MacDonald, Gallant, Harris.

**Summary—**

**First Period**  
1—Truro, C. Collins, ..... 3:0  
2—S'ide, Dalton, ..... 3:05  
3—S'ide, MacArthur, (Campbell) ..... 10:35  
4—S'ide, Darby, (E. Gallant) ..... 17:36

**Second Period**  
5—Truro, Mentis, ..... 3:5  
6—Truro, Hepburn, ..... 5:41  
7—S'ide, Darby, ..... 8:33  
8—Truro, T. Collins, ..... 13:33  
9—S'ide, MacArthur, (Walker) ..... 14:07  
10—S'ide, Dalton, ..... 16:08  
Penalties: None.

**Third Period**  
11—S'ide, Grady, (MacArthur) ..... 3:0  
12—S'ide, MacDonald, ..... 6:3  
13—S'ide, MacDonald, (Wedge) ..... 6:56  
14—S'ide, Dalton, ..... 12:06  
15—S'ide, Darby, ..... 15:46  
16—Truro, Hepburn, ..... 16:25  
17—S'ide, Grady, (Walker, Harris) ..... 17:15  
18—S'ide, Champion, (Darby) ..... 18:31  
Penalties: Griffiths, MacArthur (major), Wheadon (major), MacKay (major), Smith (major).  
Referees: Bobby Mann and Charlie Hogan.

**VICTORIA RINK**

TONIGHT

Final Game

Nine Mile Creek Bulldogs vs. Augustine Cove Bulldogs

## Boys School Hoop Title At Stake Tonight

The City Interscholastic boys basketball championship will be decided at the Prince of Wales College auditorium today when the Queen Square and Prince Street School cagemen meet in a double hoop bill this afternoon and evening in a two-game, total point series for the title.

## Halifax Downs St. Andrews 15-2

HALIFAX, April 7 — (CP) — Halifax Armed Forces waltzed through St. Andrews Sentors 15-2 here tonight in the first game of their two game, total-goal Maritime intermediate hockey final. Armed Forces are Nova Scotia champions and Sentors are Nova Brunswick-Prince Edward Island winners.

## Ramblers Defeat Y In Hoop Game

In an exhibition juvenile basketball game played at the Y.M.C.A. Thursday night, the Ramblers defeated the Y.M.C.A. 26-15. The winners led 20-9 at half time but were held to five points in the last half as both teams played tight defensive ball with the "Y" outscoring the Ramblers 6-5.

Leading the Ramblers was Caryle MacDougall who accounted for ten points while Gerald Birt and Brian Chandler had four each and Donnie Large had three.

For the losers Jim Wood racked up ten points with Barry Beers and Carl Reardon accounting for two each.

The referees were Barry MacMillan and Charlie Kennedy while the timer was Charlie Reedy and the scorer Billy Lee.

The lineups and scores of the teams are as follows:

Ramblers—C. MacDougall 10, Birt 4, Chandler 4, Large 3, MacFadyen 2, E. Beaton 2, Turner 1. Total 26.

Y.M.C.A.—J. Wood 10, Beert 2, Reardon 2, J. MacDougall 1, K. Beaton, Huestis, D. Wood. Total 15.

## Toronto Marlboros In Eastern Finals

TORONTO, April 7 — (CP) — Toronto Marlboros advanced to the Eastern Canada senior hockey finals tonight by drubbing Cornwall Calumets 13-1 to take their best-of-seven semi-final series in four straight.

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