

BACK STRETCH

Double Hal 5-3, Mighty Boy 6-6, Time 2:13 3-5, 2:10 2-5.

Last year Barbara as a 7-year-old took part in 16 dashes, was 6 times first, twice second and twice third with winnings of \$623 making her eligible to the 2.24 class. She was then handled by Cyril Smith and owned by Hugh L. Monaghan of Sydney. This year she has been winning in very fast company as will be noted above and shows that we don't have to go too far away from Prince Edward Island to secure pacers that can take their place with the best. Let us look into her history and find out what makes her click. She was bred by Cedric Campbell, Carlisle Stirling, P. E. I. and her sire is Calumet Budlong 202 3-4 a horse that raced well on the Grand Circuit where he took his mark and afterwards on the Maritime circuit. Her dam is Teenie Aubrey by Captain Aubrey 2:07 1-4, a horse that given the opportunities might have been one of the great sires and even with limited opportunities here she sired Bill Sharon 2:04 1-4, the highest priced horse ever sold in the Maritimes—\$27,500 in American money. The dam of Teenie Aubrey was Margaret Grattan 2nd, by the great pacer sire Grattan Royal 2:06 1-4, who among others sired Grattan Bars 1:59 1-2, winner of three \$25,000 pacing stakes and without doubt a horse that would have set a world's record pacing had he not gone lame that season.

Margaret Grattan was purchased by the writer from her breeder, Charles Barrett, Park Hill, Ont. The price paid was \$2,000 and Mr. Barrett predicted a very fast mark where he had set up a world's trotting record over ice. After a her for her. Ernie McTague brought her down along with The Yank, returning from Mount Clements few weeks exercise and brushes over the ice. Margaret Grattan showed an easy quarter in 30 seconds. A couple of months after that she met with an accident, sustaining a torn tendon, and was sold to Lt. Col. J. P. Hooper for a brood mare. He was the breeder of Teenie Aubrey, who is also the dam of Sister Vera Hoo and Sister Mary Hoo, Teacale's Pal, Abe Clegg, Jolly Dick and others. With Barbara Ann's breeding as above we can expect her to take an even faster mark and to go on for a long time as a winner in pacing events. Our congratulations to Mr. Monaghan and trainer Cyril Smith.

Races 1 and 2 at Truro were single dashes. In race 1 All Spice (Nelson) was 1, G. Volo (Humphreys) 2, Sylvester G (Harrison) 3. The 2.22. All Spice is owned by Lloyd Palmer of Moncton and we are pleased to see Lloyd with a winner. Race 2 was won by Uscita's Boy (Harrison) Star Budget (Daniels) 2, Pepper Clegg (Van-Snick) 3. Time, 2:15 3-5—a new record for Uscita's Boy, a 5-year-old by Abner T. Clegg, dam, the famous race mare Uscita Britton 2:09 by Great Britton 2:02 1-4. She is the dam of Yuta, Peter Clegg, Ella Britton and Uscita's Last. Keep your eye on this one. In races 3 and 6 Gideon Hanger (Daniels), owned by Earl Wilson, Truro, was 1-2. Whispering Hope (C. Smith) owned by Arnold Weeks, Fredericton, P. E. I., 2-1, Bell Banks (Conroy) 3-5, David G 5-3, Chevie G 4-4. Time, 2:14, 2:13. Race 5 was won by Cooly Boy (Whalen), owned by Everett Shea, Alberton, P. E. I., Mountain Speed 2. Time, 2:22. Race 8 was won by Foxy Grapes, owned and driven by Frank Daniels, Vera Signal 2. Time 2:17.

Glancing over the score card of the above races we notice that 29

of the starters were by Maritime stallions as follows: The Great G-3 Jollyly, 4; Pepper, 3; Simcoe Harvester, 3; Abbe Worley, 1; Calumet Budlong, 4; Real Money, 1; Federal, 2; Abner T. Clegg, 6; Squire Hanover, 1; Hero Mine, 1. This is evidence of the fact that the Maritime harness horse breeding is doing a lot for racing in these parts.

Blue Bonnets, which was only converted to harness racing a couple of years ago has made great improvements in the purses given. Last weekend an overflow crowd of more than 10,000 persons watched with the greatest interest the racing of the Invitation Trot, a purse \$15,000. Some of the best from across the border were there in competition with Canadian owned trotters. The result was, Lord Stewart (Williams) 1-2, Gene Mac (Hodgins) 3-1, Jean Leard (Larocque) 12-3, Ladies First 4-5, six other starters. Time, 2:04 1-5, 2:05. On October 15 a \$15,000 Invitation Pace will be raced at Blue Bonnets in which Bay State Pat 2:02 3-5 will meet the fast brigade again on Canadian soil.

Bud Gilmore of Ridgeway, Ont. topped 248 other drivers for points at Vernon Downs this season. The 249th driver had a total of 43 times and third 35 times. His money winnings were \$43,100. Runner up to Gilmore was the veteran reinsman Al Jones of Poppporol, Mass. He was 27 times first, 22 times second and 25 times third in 175 starts. Jones will have pleasant remembrances of this year's campaign at Vernon Downs as he took his first 200 ride there with Carter Chips, a pacer owned by Al Leverington of St. Thomas, Ont. Del Cameron, head trainer for Octave Blake's Newport Stock Farm, was the second money fading driver with \$26,499. A major share of his winnings there was with Jug Chief, a crack 4-year-old free-legged pacer which took seven victories before meeting up with the world's champion Adios Harry 1:55 at Vernon Downs where Adios Harry took that mark.

Despite the cool weather last Monday evening a good crowd attended the races at Moncton and some good profits were made, the daily double \$216.30 and the win paid \$23.40 to win the 6th. The Duke of Hyland was the only double dash winner taking the 1st and 4th events for owner-driver Ramsey, Garth Tryax (Kennedy) 2nd and 6th dashes Single Streak (Gaudet) was 4-1, Tommie (J. Gougen) 1-5, Dusty Bars (Grimes) 3-2, Royal Budlong (Irving) 2-3. Time, 2:16 1-5, 2:18 1-5. In the 3rd and 7th races Reta Federal (H. Cormier) was 4-1, Beany Boy, (Grimes) 1-6, Lady Smart (Bernard) 2-2. Time, 2:15 1-5. In the 5th and 8th races Top Royal (Elder) was 5-1, Congressman (H. Cormier) 1-7, Jennie H. (Horseman) 2-3. Time, 2:14, 2:13 1-5.

They had an excellent night's racing at Goldbrook track, St. John, Monday night with the following summary—Dash 1, Brilliant Frisco (W. Carr), owned by C. F. Durlay, St. John, 1. Damm Dale Boy (Davidson) 2. Time 2:16 1-5. Dash 2—Suzanne Pierre, owned and driven by H. McIntosh, 1. Jerry Lee D. (Coughlan) 2, time, 2:18 3-5. Dash 3—Justice Dillon (H. Jones), Dash 4—Mrs. D. Myers St. John, 1 Piney Boy (Lawson) 2. Time, 2:18 2-5. 4th and 8th dashes—Hedgewood Chief (C. Robinson) owned by Mapco Stable, Summerside, P. E. I., 1-2, Jimmie Hal (Lawson) 2-1, Ann's Boy (W. Carr) 3-4, (no time given). Dash 5—3-4, (no time given). Dash 6—Fillmore and Baird, St. John, and driven by E. Fillmore, 1, My Sin (L. Queen) 2. You'll See (B. Queen) 3. Time, 2:17 4-5. Dashes 6 and 9—Slicker Tass, owned and driven by B. Mac-

"Apple Bowl" Born From "Operation Sodbuster"

GREENWOOD RCAF BASE, N.S. (CP) - "Operation Sodbuster" didn't net the RCAF any battle commendation but it produced a mighty fine football field. "Just about everybody stationed at this air-sea rescue-concealment base had a hand in 'Sodbuster.' That's why just about everybody stationed here contemplates 'The Apple Bowl' as a chunk of personal property. Greenwood's city street football players won a place in the Nova Scotia Canadian Football League some time ago. But they still had no field for home games. Two years ago, a plan to build a field took shape. There was an excellent spot for one right on the station but no turf. The someone discovered an old soccer field that had been laid out by the Royal Air Force personnel during the war. The grass still flourished. But the turf had to be moved. This gave birth to "operation sodbuster" - a back-breaking job of sod removal and re-laying to which volunteers from Greenwood's several squadrons cheerfully turned. The job took several weeks but eventually, the Greenwood Bombers had a home field. "The Apple Bowl" gets its name from its location smack in the middle of Nova Scotia's rich apple-growing Annapolis valley.

Donald, Fredericton, 1-3, Sep Hanover (A. Langille) owned by Princeton Stables Princeton, Me., 2-1, Ann's Dream (C. Robinson) 3-4. Time, 2:11 4-5, 2:14 2-5, Dash 7—Skipper's Pride (A. Wood), owned by C. Robinson, Summerside 1, Me I Direct (W. Carr) 2. Time, 2:25 4-5.

Friends of the young driver Johnny Quinn of this city will be glad to learn that at the Grand Circuit race meeting at Reading, Pa., he won the 2:17 trot with Daily Gallon 2-1 and gave him a record of 2:05 4-5. Reading is a half-mile track.

With the noted driver Aubrey Rodney sidelined because of injuries, Angie Allen has been doing all the driving for the stable at Saratoga Springs, N.Y. and has had remarkable success. In the past couple of weeks he won twice with Newport Commodore, best time 2:04 2-5. He also won with Jugce Bohemia 2:07 and the 3 year old hemia in 2:10, with the 3-year-old pace Kay W. he won the Castleton Stake and two other stakes and gave her a record of 2:05 3-5. Among the others that he won with are Lord Abbey, Royal Bohemia, Ebony Honor and Bill Lybrook.

At Lexington, Ky. Sept. 30, Joe O'Brien drove Scott Frost to a win in the Phellis Cup a Kentucky Futurity preview. Over a slow track the time was 2:06 2-5, 2:07. Galophone, that set up three weeks records at Delaware, Ohio, half mile track two weeks ago, was 2-2.

Another Maritimer, Earle Avery stepped right into the limelight at the opening day of the Kentucky trots, winning the \$17,500 Walnut Hall Stake for 2-year-old fillies with Egyptian Princess. She was an outsider in the speculation but she surprised them all by getting up

might letter from Don Seaman, who with Mrs. Seaman and his father and mother, Dr. R. F. and Mrs. Seaman, has been enjoying the races at Lexington and taking in the sales. Here is Don... "There was an accident in the first heat when Galophone stepped into Scott Frost's wheel. Neither finished the heat. In second heat Scott Frost was the winner, Home Free 2, Galophone 3. Scott Frost won the third heat from Home Free, Galophone drawn Best time 2:00 3-5 by Scott Frost. Home Free trotted last week in 1:59 3-5, Diamond Hal in 1:59 3-5 Top colts Rosalind, full sister to Scott Frost, sold to Sol Camp for \$35,000; Robert Lee Frost by Adios to Castleton Farm for \$33,000; Star Money by Scotland to Allwood Stables for \$32,000. Seeing wonderful racing. Everybody fine. Don

The Sol Camp stable has certainly pulled in a lot of money in the best couple of weeks. Home Free won a \$25,000 stake at Wolverine Raceway and also won the Arden Homestead 2:18 trot at Lexington, taking a mark of 1:59 3-5, so he has a two-fifths better record than Scott Frost, but Scott Frost is the largest money winning trotter or pacer for a single year in the history of harness racing—\$146,251. His all time winnings are \$179,984. At Lexington Joe O'Brien also won the Two Year Old Pace (Two Gaits Farm Stake) purse \$14,110 with Adioaway, 1-1, by the Camp owned Dazzleway. Time, 2:05 3-5, 2:05; The Tattersalls Pace with the 4-year-old Diamond Hall, time 2:03 4-5, 1:59 4-5, and the Parker Whiting 2:30 pace with the 4-year-old Highland Laird, time 2:01 4-5, 2:02 1-5. Full particulars of the meeting will not be available until next week.

A splendid card at Sackville Downs, Halifax, attracted a large attendance last Wednesday night. In races 1 and 4, A. A. Pace, Jimmie Counsel (D. Rankin) owned by Thomas Hawk, Whitney Pier, was 1-1. My Darling (O'Meara), owned by Senator G. H. Barbour, Charlottetown, was 2-1. Time, 2:16. In the Junior Free For All Dominion's Pride, owned and driven by J. H. DeWitt, Woodstock, was 1-1, Headway (Given) 2-4, Keppoch Playgirl (Willis) 3-2, Prudence Hy (Moreside) 6-3. Time, 2:15 1-5, 2:16 2-5. In the Free For All Pace Sir Joseph, owned by Roy Bevan, Charlottetown, and driven by Archie Llewellyn, was 1-1, Richland (Ratchford) 2-3, Prince Maplecroft (E. Moreside) 3-2, Josedale Clansman (Turner) 4-4. Time, 2:10 1-5, 2:11 2-5. Eva York owned by P. J. Cadegan, Glace Bay, and driven by Don Ratchford, won both dashes in the B-3 Pace. Signal Bill (Leighton) 2-3, Just Rita (Cruikshank) 4-2, J.S.J. (Rankin) 3-3. Time, 2:19 4-5, 2:18.

Like thousands of other Maritimers we were all excited on Thursday waiting for the news from Lexington, Ky. where the historic Kentucky Futurity for 3-year-old fillies carrying a purse of almost \$70,000 was to be raced. Unlike previous large stakes raced this year the news flashed over the radio in the late afternoon that Scott Frost was the winner and yesterday morning we received a

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BOXING GOSSIP

Sir—Manchester N.H., Feb. 8 1911, Bill McKinnon of P.E.I. in the opinion of the fans had the better of Tommy Sullivan of Lawrence, Mass., in the 15 round battle at the Queen City Athletic club but referee Kenny called it a draw. Jimmy Gorman of Mt. Stewart is another Irish born man that made good in ring bouts in and around Boston at the time McKinnon was doing so well. Gorman fought in the middleweight division of weeks popular Don Trainor is getting himself in tip top shape for his next fight Oct. 17, at Halifax, his opponent who needs no introduction to local boxing fans is Gerry Fraser of Bridgewater, Fraser in his only appearance in an Island ring last June showed up well against this same Trainor. Since Fraser fought locally he has met several ranking maritime mittmen including Ted Doncaster, Doug Oda, Gordon MacDougall and Bob Ledley. Trainor will have to be plenty sharp if he is to defeat Gerry this time out. An Island boxer who continues to make good in ring bouts in and around Toronto is Young Tom Whelan formerly of Souris. He has been featured regularly of late on T.V. bouts at the Palace Pier in Toronto. He is boxing in the Welterweight division. Tom McCluskey manager and trainer of Gerry Fraser this time out. Champion Coby McCluskey shouts loud and long that Coby was robbed in a place called Fredericton, N.B. last Friday night in his quest for Canadian Middleweight honors with Fredericton born Lou Lawrence. Tom has filed an official protest

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with Gene Letawneau, National Commissioner of the C.B.F. The hearing has been set aside for a later date. Don Mogard of Hamstead, N.B. has the distinction of having been the only Maritime boxer to ever fight Marciano. I am sir, etc., Wilfred O. McCluskey.

NEW YORK (AP)—A leading custom smelter trimmed its price Friday bringing the price down to 45¢ cents a pound. Other smelters indicated they would follow suit.

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