



# DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

The over 2,500 spectators who were present at the Charlottetown oval last Saturday night saw two of the fastest miles that have been stepped over that oval in a long, long time, 2:07 4/5 and 2:07. In both of these the seven-year-old brown stallion Argot Pointer outstayed his rival Cheeky Chief 1944, who had set a fast early pace, the first quarter in 19 3/5 and the half in 1:02. It was certainly a sizzling demonstration of speed by both horses and Argot Pointer's miles of course could not have been made possible except by the pace set by Wal Hennessey's stallion. Looking over the records we find that the fastest mile paced in the Maritimes last season was by Fabian Hanover (Thomas), at Woodstock, July 28th, when he won the third heat of the Free For All in 2:07. He was owned by C. C. Seelye, Fort Fairfield, Maine. Back to the Free For All, we must give credit to the trotter Jennie Kalmuck (O'Donnell) that finished 3-4, Ohio Hal (Lewis) 6-3, Lock Hanover (O'Brien) Miss Knox (O'Meara) and McKillo Cash (Kelly) that although not having the necessary speed to keep up with their rivals, battled courageously for places.

Argot Pointer's win in such fast time was another feather in the cap of that young driver, Harvey Jormier of Moncton. Argot Pointer was sired by the California owned Pegasus Pointer, a 2:02 1/2 by Pegasus B. 2:08 3/4, by Zombro (the sire of San Francisco). Pegasus Pointer's dam was Bailey Pointer by Star Pointer 1:59 1/2, one of the first horses to pace a mile in 2:00. Pegasus Pointer although afforded limited opportunity sired quite a large number of good race performers in California. Ten of these entries in the 2:05 list. Argot Pointer was raced as a two-year-old in Maine and in one summary we notice where he was 5-3 in a race with Nancy Wyeth, Pandora Hanover, Ben Lomond and Filbert, all horses that have taken fast records since. He was purchased that fall by J. Harry Breen of Halifax and placed in the hands of Billy Hood.

In 1947 he took a record as a three-year-old of 2:14 2/5 at Woodstock and in 1948 he was campaigned in Maine and lowered that record to 2:09 3/5. In 1949 he raced extensively and was the first on five occasions. Early the next Spring (1950) he was purchased by Horace Willis of this city, who drove him in most of his races and gave him his new record at Charlottetown, Sept. 6th of 2:09 2/5. This season he has shown much improvement, lowered his record to 2:09 1/5 at Covehead, has been first to the wire several times and last Saturday night really went to town. Considerable credit for his performance must be given to carters Howard McCoy and MacInnis and to the fact that Horace has been astute enough to equip the Pointer with a can't-see-back, can't-see-sideways or can't-see-down bridle.

We regret to learn that the valuable three-year-old colt, Mr. Halifax, by His Royal Majesty, dam, Semper Fidelis, owned by Dr. J. A. Donahoe and driven by Ray O'Brien, took a record of 2:24. Azalea by Peter Brewer, owned and driven by Gordon White of Hants County, took a record of 2:20 2/5 and Texas Girl, owned by Leo Kennedy of Guysboro and driven by Johnny Conroy, lowered her record from 2:16 2/5 to 2:14 3/5. The same evening Polly Reynolds won the first heat of the Harrier in 2:12 2/5 and we notice that Dudy Budlong is once again in the winning column with a mile in 2:15 2/5. The most exciting and outstanding performance of that evening was the winning of the final dash on the program, the Free For All, by Even Up Direct, owned and driven by Lloyd Walker, whose mile was said to have been up and set at 2:07 2/5. The official figure was 2:08 3/5, the first half in 1:03 3/5 and it was Victory Dale (Cruikshank) that forced the pace with Jenny Lyn (Campbell) 3, Gay Law (Jewell) 4. The son of Patrick Direct 2:07 4/5 certainly has terrific whiz and if it can be fully utilized many are of the opinion that he is a 2:05 or better pacer on a half-mile track.

Patrick Direct was brought here from western Canada by Robie Isnor. His sire was Patrick Silk and his dam Florence Direct by Walter Direct and he was bred by Mrs. F. J. Schoewe of Salt Lake City, Utah, the capital city of the Mormons. It seems a far cry from that salt lake surrounded city to the Maritimes and the setting up of a track racing record at Montague of 2:07 4/5.

Dr. G. C. McCoy, Race Secretary of the Fredericton Exhibition Association, has very kindly forwarded us the program of racing for September 3-5-6 for which purses totalling \$6,650 are offered. The classes are 2:30, 2:26, 2:23, 2:29 and 2:19 mixed with \$250 per dash for two dashes, a classified trot with two dashes, a mixed classified with two dashes, 2:15 mixed classified, two other classified races, a Junior Free For All with three dashes of \$250 per dash

and a Free For All with three dashes of \$400 per dash. Entrance two per cent from money winners only. Take note that entries close August 25. Fredericton was given the credit in the past of having the fastest track in the Maritimes. It was there that the great stables of Sullivan and Mawhinney and others battled it out each year with surprisingly fast miles being trotted or paced. Many of our Island horses also made good over that oval. The Maritime track racing record still remains to its credit. It was set up by Walter Dale 2:00 3/4 (Clukey) on Sept. 15, 1937, and is 2:02 1/4. He was owned by Sullivan & Mawhinney.

After a short bout with lame-ness Good Time 3, 1:59 4/5, charged with winnings of over \$115,000 at the end of last year and this race will close at \$150,000 — is sound again and will be a starter in the \$25,000 one and one-half mile race named the Yonkers Derby, to be raced at Yonkers, N. Y. August 16th. Last year he set up a world's record of 3:08 for that distance but that mark was cut two seconds on July 25th of this year by Scottish Pence 1:57 1/2, his chief rival. Of the season's records Good Time and Scottish Pence lead the field. Scottish Pence defeated Good Time in this one encounter, but lost twice to Prince Jay. It will be six-year-old Scottish Pence's last chance to win the Derby as he is headed for the stud ranks at Castleton Farm after this season. Twenty-three horses have been named for this race but a lot of them will withdraw. Interesting to us here is the fact that Millie Worthy 2:08 3/4, the dam of Scottish Pence, 1:58, also the dam of Anti-Aircraft 3, 2:03, formerly owned by Charles Horton of Murray River. Anti-Aircraft is by Volomite and Scottish Pence by his companion sire at Walnut Hill Farm — Scotland.

The following world's records have been set up in 1951: for half-mile tracks, mile by gelding trotter — Pronto Don (Schue), Saratoga, N. Y., July 20 — 2:02; mile by a four-year-old trotter — Star's Pride (Pownell) Historic Track, Goshen, N. Y. — 2:00 3/5; also two heats over same track by same horse, July 6 — 2:02 3/5, 2:01 3/5 — 4:03 4/5 and the second heat is a world's record for a seven-year-old gelding on a half-mile track. Pacing half-mile track races: two-year-old, Royal Mist (W. Flemming) Harrington, Delaware, July 20 — 2:05. Flemming is a son of the famous driver Vic Flemming. Pacing, half — mile track, one and one-half miles, Scottish Pence (Smart), Roosevelt, July 15 — 3:06.

When you look through the Harness Horse and other publications you will see prominent among the victors in the two-year-old races and stakes these colts that were sold last fall at auction for the figures appearing after them. All have either won or placed well in major stakes so far decided, some in sensational time. The prices on yearlings are set by experienced owners and trainers bidding against one another for what they deemed to be an outstanding colt or filly. They seem to be very correct in their judgments as they have picked these the choicest plums so far. Voting Trust — \$26,500; Gander — \$25,000; Theme Song — \$17,500; Diplomat Hanover — \$8,000; Scotch Victor — \$13,000; Hit Song — \$12,600; Proximate — \$16,500; Empire Hanover — \$10,500.



Local baseball followers will get a chance to view a mainland team in action here this Sunday afternoon when the Charlottetown Intermediate Abbies will play host to a team from New Glasgow, N.S., in an exhibition encounter. Undeclared in their two initial exhibition starts this season, although one was an awarded game in the ninth inning, the Abbies will be gunning to keep their win record intact here Sunday.

An intermediate calibre squad, the visiting New Glasgow nine are reported to be a strong aggregation that promises to make it a good diamond battle that will provide lots of smart baseball action for attending fans. Depending upon the success of Sunday's venture, Abbies are planning a number of other exhibition meetings with other mainland teams, and officials hope to see a large crowd on hand to make it possible for them to continue their planned program during the remainder of the ball season.

Local wrestling fans have seen their last mat action for the season as far as Charlottetown Forum promotion work in that field is concerned. Forum manager, Bill Brown made the announcement here yesterday. Said Bill: "Last Tuesday night was the payoff when less than 200 fans paid admission to see the show. We did our best to promote an interest in the sport here but the general public just don't seem to be in the mood for it."

For the past number of weeks Bill has staged some good cards here in an effort to revive the sport in this sector, but repeatedly small crowds has forced the situation to a point where, as Bill put it himself, "We just can't afford to keep it going. It is too much of a financial risk to be worth the time and effort put into it. It is too bad," quoted Bill, "because we had some top notch matmen, some of the best in the business, lined up for future shows. If the venture proved a success."

The tossing in of the sponge as far as wrestling is concerned, however, isn't going to affect the other features being staged there at regular intervals such as the boxing, etc. "We are clearing the decks now," Mr. Brown stated, "to have everything in apple-pie order for the start of the championship bout here in August 28th between Tommy (Gun) Spencer and Harry Poulton the challenger and former titlist.

Poulton, scrappy local mit slinger lost his title to the New Waterford battler last month, and as the result of a close draw decision in a title go here on July 31, will get a return crack at Spencer for the Maritime boxing crown. In that last bout here, the champion and challenger put on one of the finest displays of smart ring action to be seen here for a long time, and many are looking forward to the re-match with keen interest.

According to a recent report issued out of Glace Bay there may be a hope yet that the newly formed Maritime Major Hockey League will be a six-team loop this winter instead of its present five-team formation. The report from the Cape Breton coast town states that some 100 persons met there on Thursday night with a view of putting Glace Bay Miners back into the league. Major hockey. They plan to hold another meeting there on Sunday night.

Earlier this year the Glace Bay entry talked of joining forces with New Glasgow, N. S., with a single team representing both centres, but apparently the idea fell through when officials failed to come to any specific agreement. To join the present loop each club is required to post a \$1000 bond for franchise and only Sydney, Charlottetown, Saint John, Halifax and Moncton have posted their bonds to date. Glace Bay, however, has until August 21 to post the bond.

The Charlottetown Intermediate Abbies baseball club will be seeking their third victory in as many days in exhibition play as many when they meet an intermediate club from New Glasgow, N.S., at Memorial Field on Sunday afternoon.

The tilt is scheduled to get underway at 2:30. Reported to be a smart ball club, the visiting New Glasgow nine are expected to come up with a strong showing against the local club and many fans here are looking forward to seeing a top-notch encounter.

## U.S. Defeats Canada In Davis Cup Openers

By VIC MORRIS, JR.  
MONTREAL, Aug. 10 — (CP)—The United States tennis stars showed no mercy today as they raced through Canada's best in straight sets to take a 2-0 match lead in singles in the North American zone final Davis Cup tie. Husky Trabert, the 20-year-old sensation from Cincinnati, zipped through Lorne Main of Vancouver 6-1, 6-2, 6-3 in the opening singles while big Dick Savitt, the Wimbledon and Australian champ from Orange, N.J., breezed past veteran Brendan Macken of Montreal 6-3, 6-1, 6-1.

It was announced immediately after the matches that Trabert and Budge Patty of Los Angeles would meet Macken and little Henri Rochon of Montreal in tomorrow's double match. Main was erratic in his match against the husky Cincinnati youngster. He couldn't cope with the blistering service and blazing base line placements that Trabert chalked up with apparent ease. The 21-year-old Main, making his third appearance in Canada's international team showed best in the third set when he staged a last ditch stand against the American. It wasn't good enough.

The Vancouver youth's service had no effect on Trabert, who held his opponent aceless while recording one himself. Main's service was his main downfall. Statistics showed he doubled seven times against once by the American. He slammed 27 shots into the twine and outed 30 while Trabert netted 18 and was outside on 19.

Macken, 28, Canada's No. 1 singles player, failed to come up with his usual strong showing. He was nothing near the form he showed in scoring an upset singles victory over Australia's Billy Sidwell here in 1949. The husky Canadian was favored to take at least one set from the lanky Savitt. The American's tremendous service gave the packed gallery of 4,000 its biggest treat. In the fifth game of the second set, he whipped over the top three consecutive aces against the baffled Canadian.

## Golf Scheduled This Afternoon

Third stage play of the President's Match will feature the golfing activities at the Charlottetown Golf Club today. The 18-hole, medal play handicapped competitions will get underway at two o'clock. In second stage play of the Macdonald Cup competitions, Don Macdonald added another nine points to his first stage total to lead the field in the three-stage match, while Yvon Boudrais ran his total to 15 1/2 points for the runner-up position to date by adding another 5 1/2 points. Art Peake is in third place with 13 points. The second stage was concluded on Wednesday and the following are the results by points: Fred Toombs — 10; Don Macdonald — 9; Art Peake — 7; Art MacKenzie — 7 1/2; Yvon Boudrais — 5 1/2; Doug Saunders — 3; Dr. W.L. Bill Beer — 5 1/2; G.A. MacDonald Macdonald — 2; J.A. Likely — 1.

## Play In Local Tennis Tourney In Continued

Des Burge and Walter Cullen were the winners in the Charlottetown tennis tournament yesterday. Burge defeated Charlie Hennigar 6-3, 6-3 and Cullen defeated Bud Macleary 6-1, 6-1. Due to the heavy rain the day before, only two courts were in use, and other matches scheduled were postponed until today. The following is the schedule for today's play: 2:00 p. m. First round, men's singles. Fred Coyne vs Vic Williams. Quarter finals, Ned Wran vs Walter Cullen and Paul Kays vs Des Burge. Second round, Ted Strain vs T.L. FitzGerald and Elmer Blanchard vs A. H. Anderson. 3:00 p. m. Second round, ladies' singles. Mary Evans vs Elizabeth Willett, Nora DeBlais vs Suzanne Palmer, Joan Weir vs Wanda MacMillan. 4:00 p. m. Second round, men's doubles. Jack Brown and Fred Jarvis vs Vic Williams and Allan Macdonald. Carl Bradley and Fred Coyne vs Paul Kays and G. D. FitzGerald. Mark MacGulgan and Jim Johnston vs A. H. Anderson and Ted Strain.

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## HUNTERS' CORNER

Do birds and animals possess reasoning power is a question frequently asked by those who are interested in wildlife and who have a desire to further their knowledge in respect to the creatures of the wild. My own personal experience along this line leads me to say "Yes" without hesitation. I know I am not alone in this belief for our Premier, J. Walter Jones, shares it with me.

This summer while assisting and supervising in haymaking operations on his farm at Bunbury he observed that the mower had cut over a Marsh hawk's nest but in some miraculous manner the knife blades missed the three young that the nest contained. Some hay was arranged in a flat topped pile and the three fledglings were placed on top. They were fierce looking little creatures with their piercing little beaks and grasping talons. They'd be about one-quarter grown.

After the haymakers had gone off to a safe distance the parent hawks returned to their young and hovered in the immediate vicinity of the nest. Six crows sitting atop trees in a nearby wood watched proceedings in an interested manner but kept at a safe distance while the old hawks were on guard. After a space of time, however, the hayloaders began working near the nest site, whereupon the parents fled from the area as their fear of man was greater than the natural urge to protect their young.

The watching crows took quick advantage of the adult birds' absence. They knew that the men had no guns and thus were not a factor to be reckoned with and, selecting a moment when the attention of the haymakers was distracted from the helpless fledglings on the makeshift haycock, swooped a body and tore them to pieces in a jiffy. In short they capitalized on the hawks' fear of man and using the men in their dirty work under their unwitting protection.

The Premier also commented on the presence of a Bald Eagle along the river fronting his farm and expressed the hope that this large and rare bird would not be shot. He also voiced concern over the large number of Hungarian partridge and pheasant nests destroyed by hay mowers during haying operations every summer. In this connection a pheasant nest containing 15 eggs was cut over on the Bunbury farm recently and the mother bird had one leg cut off. The eggs were removed and placed under a hen but it was too soon to tell whether or not they would be successfully incubated. The loss this season from this cause to both pheasants and Huns has been colossal. Hundreds of nests of both species have been cut over and broken up.

As a general rule pheasants suffer less than the Huns from hay mower losses as they are earlier nesters. This season, however, they have absorbed heavy losses. I have personal knowledge of over twenty nests of this species having been destroyed. In a number of instances the mother bird has either been killed or left badly crippled. A farmer living in the

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## Stellar Racing Card Scheduled Here Tonight

Another stellar card of Saturday night racing is expected to be witnessed here this evening, commencing at 8:30, when the Whitespot Driving Club will stage a big nine-dash card at the Exhibition Raceway. Listed on the program will be three one-mile dash events with eight starters each, while two other classes will go away in two dashes each in fields of eight, and another two dash class with seven starters.

## Baseball Results

National League  
Pittsburgh — 000 000 120 3 5 1  
Chicago — 000 000 000 0 6 3  
Queen and McCullough; McLish and Burgess.  
Boston at Brooklyn postponed.  
Cincinnati — 001 020 000 3 10 1  
St. Louis — 000 020 001 4 8 0  
Raffensberger and Howell; Brecheen, Staley (7) and D. Rice, Cheffing (7).  
Philadelphia at New York postponed rain.

American League  
Washington — 000 040 000 4 8 2  
Boston — 002 003 01x 6 10 9  
Marrero and Guerra; Parnell, Kiner (7) and Robinson.  
Chicago — 200 020 000 4 7 1  
Cleveland — 000 020 40x 6 12 0  
Holcombe and Sheely; Lemon and Hegan.  
New York — 001 001 010 3 12 6  
Philadelphia — 001 001 000 1 6 0  
Lopat and Berra; Zoldak and Tipton.  
St. Louis — 000 011 020 4 9 0  
Detroit — 000 001 001 2 7 1  
Garver and Batts; Trucks, White (9) and Ginsberg.

INTERNATIONAL  
Baltimore — 004 000 021— 7 8 0  
Toronto — 012 100 000— 4 10 2  
Drews and Oswald; Hetki, Shore (9) and Anderson.  
Syracuse — 000 000 020— 2 6 4  
Rochester — 301 201 12x— 10 13 4  
Houtz and Foiles; Collum Hartley (1) and Bucha.  
First  
Springfield — 000 000 0— 0 4 1  
Ottawa — 300 000 x— 3 4 0  
Jacobs, Swartz (5) and Cash; Wright and Watlington.  
Second  
Springfield 010 000 000— 1 6 0  
Ottawa — 000 321 00x— 6 7 0  
Marino, Lamanna (7) and Cash; Libby and Watlington.

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## Brooklyn Grandmother Plans Channel Swim

By MICHAEL O'MARA  
WISSANT, France, Aug. 10 — (Reuters) — A Brooklyn grandmother tramped on the beach here tonight and complained she was "all tired like a horse" with eagerness to swim the English Channel.  
Betty Cohen, 51, who has two grandsons, arrived in this vacation centre three days ago to put finishing touches on a two-month training program and help launch one of the biggest assaults in years on the channel. If weather reports are favorable she plans to enter the chilled, current-ridden strait early tomorrow. Mrs. Cohen, attended by her husband Harry, spent much of the afternoon posing for newspaper cameramen. Clad in a yellow one-piece bathing suit, she danced along the edge of the beach and added, "I feel great because I have a good clean body and that's the secret of swimming!" Mrs. Cohen's channel attempt is part of a mass onslaught planned this week-end on the treacherous 20-mile stretch of water. Lollos Laureyns of France also planned to set out tomorrow from Boulogne if the weather was favorable. Florence Chadwick of San Diego, Cal., who set a women's record of 13 hours 20 minutes last August, when she crossed from France to England, plans to try the more difficult reverse journey, setting out from Saint Margaret's Bay, England, early tomorrow. In the small hours of Sunday, four Frenchmen will dive in from nearby Cap Gris Nez for the English side. The grand climax will come early Monday, when 20 swimmers from 10 countries — 13 men and seven women — start a mass race across from Cap Gris Nez.

## Tight Battles Feature Ladies Golf Semi-Finals

By W. R. WHEATLEY  
LAVAL-SUR-LE-LAC, Que. Aug. 10 — (CP) — Marlene Stewart, 108-pounds and five feet of golf dynamite, blasted her way through the semi-finals of the Canadian ladies open golf tournament today with one up victory over Mae Murray of Rutland, Vt. It was another sensational finish — this one at the 18th green — for the courageous 17-year-old girl from Fonthill, Ont. The excitement over her victory overshadowed a steady four and two win by cool 25-year-old Grace Lenczyk of Hartford, Conn., over Mrs. Peter Patch of Montreal Whitecliff. Little Miss Stewart will meet Miss Lenczyk, twice Canadian open champion, in the 36-hole final tomorrow. Down three holes at one time, Marlene fought her way back to a one-hole deficit at the turn. She lost the 10th but was quick to take advantage of Miss Murray's lapses on the 11th and 12th and squared the match. She lost the 13th when she sent her tee shot out of bounds, but got the hold back at the 16th. The 17th was halved. Coming to the par five 18th Marlene was 50 yards short of the green with her second. Mae was 30 yards ahead, part of the way up the hill leading to the green. Marlene put her third 25 feet past the cup. Mae was 20 feet short. Marlene's long putt just rolled off and stopped six inches from the cup. Here the 23-year-old Rutland girl did her poorest putting of the day. She was four feet short with her first, and with her second the ball slid off the rim of the cup. She conceded Marlene's win and congratulated her less experienced opponent. In the second semi-final, Miss Lenczyk was two up over Mrs. Patch through the ninth, winning four holes to the Montreal girl's two. Mrs. Patch could never get closer than a one-hole margin and Miss Lenczyk took the 14th, 15th, and 16th in a row to end the match.

## Youthful Tennis Enthusiast Visiting Here

Among a number of visiting tennis enthusiasts who have been taking part in friendly matches with members of the Charlottetown Tennis Club at their country located in Victoria Park recently is youthful Ivel MacKie of New Glasgow, N. S., present junior champion of the Antigonish-Guysborough-Pictou County area. The 15-year old racquet wielder is the son of Irvin MacKie, a former resident of Keppock and has a number of relatives in this Province including Miss Evelyn Henry, the young graduate nurse who recently set the whole Maritime talking when she became the first person to ever swim Northumberland Strait. Ivel, who will compete in the junior tournament at Halifax next week, will later represent the County area at the Dominion Junior tennis championships to be held at Ottawa the latter part of the month. He is the brother of the two MacKie sisters, Fay and Patsy, who performed so expertly in both piping and dancing at the Caledonian Games here last Saturday as visiting members of the New Glasgow Girls Highland Pipe Band.

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