

Sport Echoes From Prince County

"An echo," says our dictionary, "is the repetition of a sound caused by the reflection of its waves". We have permanent waves here in this neck of the Island; an occasional, but not serious, juvenile crime wave; farewell waves as our young hockey players depart for other sports centres; and Summerside harbour waves which kick some of the props from under our wharves, come a storm and a high tide, but no sport waves. A few sport ripples, perhaps, but definitely not waves. So if you don't have sport waves, how can you have sport echoes?

Until such time as we get some sport waves in Summerside and Prince County generally, we've decided to get ourselves a crystal ball and go into the forecasting business. We can't be worse than Toronto's "Hot Stove League" and at best we might be so well that we'll be in high demand come next horse-racing season.

Here we go: Charlottetown Islanders will finish the season in third place, and will be in the finals for the Major Hockey League championship.

Willie Marshall will lead the scoring parade this year, and Buck Whitlock will be in the first seven.

Glouce Bay and Moncton will be eliminated from M.M.H.L. playoffs.

Detroit Red Wings will win the National Hockey League, and the Stanley Cup. Gordie Howe will lead the scoring parade, but will have less goals than Maurice Richard.

Rocky Marciano will fail to win the world's heavyweight championship in his first try.

Summerside curlers will qualify for the Macdonald Brier Competition this year.

There are ten separate forecasts above. Under six correct ones and we'll trade the crystal ball for a pound of good beefsteak. Six or seven is better than average. Eight is pretty darn up-and-coming forecasting. Nine will be enough for us to charge a dollar to whisper in your ear the winning horse next summer. If we get ten, we'll be afraid to go out alone with ourself in the dark. We'll keep a record of this, and let you know how it comes out.

Back Stretch

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time by W. G. Stewart of New Glasgow, averaged \$1,250. Next highest average to Hoot Mon were the yearlings of Dean Hanover 3, 1.58 1/2, this averaged \$3,372.

One of the buyers of yearlings by Calumet Fngo and Watchim was A. B. McGee, Augusta, Maine. Prominent among the buyers were horsemen from Quebec. They paid some mighty good prices for trotters and pacers which they will be campaigning next season. These yearlings by Watchim 2.06 brought the following prices: Watchim's Beauty, \$550; Watchim's Express, \$500; Watchim Strut, \$450; Watchim's Gem, \$500; True Watchim, \$400.

Ever since the Kentucky sale when Tommy Murphy started buying yearlings for Leonard J. Buck of Far Hills, N. J., horsemen have been wondering who would be selected to train and race them. Those bought at Kentucky were turned over to Hunter Moody of Lexington, Ky., to give Kindergarten lessons to. He is probably the best man in the world at that kind of training.

Now it has been announced that they and the two purchased at Harrisburg will be placed in the stable of the veteran trainer Thomas S. Berry. Tommy has been one of the top trainers and drivers for years, has eleven 2.00 performers to his credit, seven of them trotters and four of them pacers. He has won the Hambletonian twice, first with Hanover's Bertha 2, 2.02, 3, 1.59 1/2, in 1930 and again with Chestertown 4, 2.00 2/5 in 1946. Mr. Berry was the man who took over the very disappointing Imperial Hanover that sold for \$72,000 two years ago after failing to make the grade in the two year old futurities. This season he gave him a time record of 2.03 2/5 but he did not race up to expectations. However, the fact that he could give him such a fast record shows that he has ability of a high order which of course has been demonstrated many times before. Mr. Berry was born in England and as a young man had some experience training runners. When he came to the United States he took up harness racing and very quickly made a name for himself. He was at one time manager and race driver for Hanover Shoe Farms.

L. B. Sheppard, President of the United States Trotting Association, has the distinction of owning all three of the horses now living, which have cost \$100,000 or more, in addition to the two purchased at Harrisburg—Tar Heel, \$125,000, and Solicitor, \$100,000—he paid \$100,000 for Nibble Hanover a season ago. Nibble Hanover is one of the great sires of the U. S. A.

Only two other Standard Breds have sold for such figures, the first being Arion, that lowered the record for two-year-old trotters to 2:10 1/2 on Nov. 10, 1891, and was sold by Senator Leland Stanford to J. Malcolm Forbes of Boston for \$125,000. The other was Axtell, that Charlie Williams, a telegraph operator in the little prairie town of Ossian, Iowa, trained and drove to a three-year-old record of 2:12 on Oct. 9, 1889, at Terre Haute, Indiana. That same evening a syndicate of breeders headed by John W. Connolly of Chicago, bought the colt from Williams for \$105,000.

Williams retained what he thought was the better stallion in Allerton. With the money he built a hotel, a bank, a streetcar line and an opera house in Independence, Iowa. He also built a race track, hoping to make this prairie town one of the great American racing centres. Following his career we may say that Allerton took some time coming to his speed but on September 9, 1891, he dropped the world's record for trotting stallions to 2:09 1/2. He was a magnificent looking horse and wherever he went he became the hero of the crowds and packed the stands. Williams declined an offer of \$150,000 for him. At a service fee of \$1,000 Allerton earned a fortune greater than the sum offered but in the crash of 1893 Williams, who was a terrific speculator, lost practically everything but Allerton and with him he earned a new fortune larger than he had lost. A considerable part of it was from investments in land in western Canada. Fred Cameron of this city was assistant trainer for several years at the farm which Mr. Williams had established, and trained the get of sons of Allerton.

Wyville Reeves of Freetown, P. E. I., asks us to please give him the summary of the race where Josedale Clipper, Crusader Chief and Rusty Hanover were photographed during Old Home Week and wants to know if the Clipper was first. Here's the summary: 1st Division 2:10-2.20 Classified, Aug. 15, 1951. Rusty Hanover (Woodcock) 1-4; Prince Budlong (Cudmore) 2-1; Josedale Clipper (McGregor) 5-2; Crusader Chief (Lewis) 3-3; Cyclonic (MacDonald) 4-5. Time: 2:11 4/5, 2:14.

The P. J. Cadegan stable of Glouce Bay, N.S., has been strengthened for the 1952 campaign by the purchase of the fast pacer Lucky Chief 2.06 by Chief Abbedale. He is seven years old and at the end of 1950 had winnings of \$21,690 and was eligible to the 2:10 class. This horse was purchased at private sale and is well thought of and should furnish good competition in the Free For All.

A letter to Jimmie Flood from his daughter Mrs. Joe O'Brien, gives interesting news of Joe's doings in California. That he is certainly holding his own we had noticed previously by the latest Harness Horse, which had a despatch from California dated Nov. 17th showing the top drivers at the big meeting being held at Hollywood Park. Clint Hodgins in 73 starts had 13 firsts, 15 seconds and 12 thirds and next on the list was Joe, who in 40 starts had 10 firsts, seven seconds and one third. Roy Funderburk had 47 starts with seven firsts, three seconds and four thirds. These were the leading three of the top fourteen drivers.

Betty writes: "Owners Evans, Hesser and Daugherty are here from New York and we have also as visitors Nig MacDougall from New Glasgow and Bert Cruikshank, owner of Brewer's Gallon, from Halifax. We were glad he was here to see Brewer's Gallon win in 2:02 1/5, and after the race they went to the winner's circle and got a lot of enjoyment out of it. The horses are racing well; Joe has stopped with the two-year-olds and will not race them again until spring. He has 36 horses, 12 of them yearlings, so that keeps him busy.

"Mr. Evans bought a full brother of Mahlon Hanover 2.04, at Harrisburg. They are breaking him now and all the other yearlings are being jogged. We have had wonderful weather. The free-for-alls went in 1:58 1/5 Saturday. Good Time and Prince Jay went down to the half head and head in 57 1/5 seconds. Prince Jay finished fifth, Joe was fourth with Mighty Sun; Dudley Hanover won it. Bert Cruikshank and Nig MacDougall are certainly enjoying themselves; they are living with Nig's sister in Glendale."

Glouce Bay Miners In 5-2 Victory Over Hawks

MONCTON, N. B., Nov. 23—(CP)—Glouce Bay Miners rapped in three goals in the last period tonight to take a 5-2 win over Moncton Hawks in a Maritime Major Hockey League game. Johnny Bailey fired a pair for the winners and singles were scored by Bud Poile, Ron Rohmer and Specs Chorley. Tom Rockey and Denis Filion were the Moncton scorers. The win left Miners in a tie for second place with Charlottetown Islanders and dropped Hawks back to third place in the league standings.

The game was even and clean-fought all the way. Only six penalties, all of them minors, were handed out. Playing coach Bud Poile started Miners off to their win after a scoreless first period. His goal at the 3:48 mark of the second period was followed by Bailey's first tally.

Hawks retaliated while Cooper was serving a penalty. Filion and Rowe relayed the puck to Rockey for the goal. Bailey started the third period scoring, with Haley and Rohmer drawing assists. Rohmer made it 4-1 in favour of Miners and Chorley wrapped it up.

Hawks repeated assaults on the Glouce Bay goal finally paid off at the 17 minute mark when Filion rapped George Robinson's pass into the Miners' net. Hawks outshot Glouce Bay by one in the first period, the second and third periods.

and was even and the Miners held a two-shot edge in the final frame. Lineups:— Glouce Bay—Goal, Arneil; defence, Cooper, Windley, Bloomer, Myketyk; forwards, Poile, Haley, Macey, Chorley, Rohmer, Wywrot, Leger, Bailey, Dalgleish, Anderson. Moncton—Goal, Lockhart; defence, Rockey, Olsen, Milne, May; forwards, Marshall, Hamilton, Scholes, Horeck, Clements, Filion, Robinson, Burman, Rowe, Kennedy. Officials: Elliott, Good. Summary:—

Table with 2 columns: Period, Score. First Period: Glouce Bay, Poile (Anderson) 3-48, Glouce Bay, Bailey (Haley) 12-20, Moncton, Rockey (Rowe) 14-24. Second Period: Horeck 11-40, Cooper 13-44, Filion 15-50, Myketyk 15-50. Third Period: Glouce Bay, Bailey (Haley, Rohmer) 8-34, Glouce Bay, Rohmer (Bailey, Haley) 14-05, Glouce Bay, Chorley (Wywrot, Cooper) 17-00, Moncton, Filion 17-32. Penalties: Olsen 2-30. Shots: Arneil 7, 6, 7, 20; Lockhart 6, 6, 9, 21.

Only 13 Men To Make Trip To Halifax

The Islanders tonight will ice a skeleton team at Halifax with only 13 members of the team making the trip as the result of injuries and sickness. Bob Gray and George McLagan will be out of action for at least a week as the result of injuries and Bruno Favero will go to hospital today to receive treatment for boils. He will probably be out for a week. Gray was forced to retire from the game last night with a pulled knee muscle. He received the injury in Saint John Wednesday night and attempted to play last night with a tightly bound knee. McLagan has a badly bruised slider.

"Bing" Merluk was released from the Islanders' roster yesterday when he refused to take a salary cut. Merluk watched the game last night and plans to leave for his home in Edmonton today. He said last night that he would retire from hockey. The Islanders will probably be playing with only 13 players for a week unless negotiations for a high-scoring wingman materialize. Evidently the Islanders' equipment has ordered coach Leo Lamoureux to cut down his playing strength to 16 players on account of financial reasons.

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the aides and top and in addition several hundred pounds of venison was noted wrapped in canvas. He also commented that these deer were shot in Nova Scotia, the bulk of which bore bullet holes in the head, denoting a prevalence of "Jack lighting" in their sister Province.

The Hon. A.W. MacKenzie, Minister of Lands and Forests in Nova Scotia, rose at this point and supplied figures on the deer kill in his Province. He mentioned that he had received numerous comments on the number of deer killed in Nova Scotia, that passed through Amherst every fall. He explained that all deer, or nearly all, shot by non-resident hunters in Nova Scotia were funnelled out through Amherst: and created an erroneous impression on the number of deer shot by non-residents. He quoted figures on the annual kill of deer in N. S. He said that the legal kill this season, meaning the deer reported as required by law, was thirty-seven thousand (\$7,000). Of this number only six per cent were shot by non-resident hunters, leaving an approximate five million pounds of choice meat that went into the stomachs of Nova Scotia residents. He stated that the actual take for the season was conservatively estimated at 45,000. This figure would include the number shot out of season and shot in season and not reported.

In his closing remarks the Minister stated: "If all the products of Nova Scotia were disposed of as profitably as the deer meat that went to the States the Province would be much better off financially" or words to that effect. I do not wish any reader of this column to receive the impression that the Minister of Lands and Forests in Nova Scotia is in favor of exploiting his Province's wildlife for the sake of gain. On the contrary I feel that he is a far-seeing, fair-minded official who knows his business and is in close touch with his Province's wildlife situation and would be the first to apply the brakes if there was any danger of over hunting.

It is the consensus of opinion among our sister Province's sportsmen and game officials that despite the heavy annual kill of deer the animals have increased in both New Brunswick and Nova Scotia to the saturation point. In plain English this means that there is not sufficient food to last the present population through the winter and the danger of wholesale starvation threatens. Observers have reported incidents last winter where deer have died from lack of food. It takes a lot of browse to keep a herd of deer going through the winter months. Public sentiment is a curious thing. People will lament when they see a number of deer strapped to a car enroute out of the Province and yet will not remember that these deer cost the hunters anywhere from \$5.00 per pound and up and that this money was left in the Province. A deer that dies in the woods from lack of food is worth nothing to anybody so why not regulate hunting regu-

Hunters Corner

ready furnishing anglers top notch sport. Trout grow fast in our Island dams and pan size fish appear almost overnight. Mr. Bruce Wright, the other guest speaker, devoted his time to upland game and ducks. He showed some slides of Woodcock banding operations and stressed the losses caused to wild ducks by spring muskrat trappers, particularly during the month of April. Spring trapping of muskrats is carried out in New Brunswick but is barred in this Province (P.E.I.) and in Nova Scotia, Maine, and several other New England States, allows spring trapping and the seasonal losses to breeding ducks, particularly blacks and wood duck is appalling when tabulated in round figures.

Deer came under considerable discussion and several members expressed opposition to allowing American hunters to enter the Maritimes on fall hunting expeditions. A member from Amherst, N.S. spoke briefly. He said he was alarmed at the number of deer strapped to cars bearing U.S. license plates that passed through Amherst in a seemingly endless stream every fall. One car or station wagon, was checked by him and 11 deer, bucks, does and fawns, were counted strapped to

lators to take care of just such a contingency. We have the same problem here in Prince Edward Island. One hears resident hunters bewailing the number of Hungarian partridge taken out by non-resident Americans. The fact that these birds cost the hunters sometimes as high as \$40.00 each is not taking into consideration nor is the thousands that die annually from winter killing, predators, hay mowers, etc., even thought about. This columnist feels that our wildlife may be used to attract outside hunters, and their money, to the Province, commercialized if you wish to call it that, providing the existence of the species concerned is not endangered or even threat-

ened. There is nothing humanitarian in allowing any form of wildlife, if it can be prevented, to increase to the point where its available food supply is consumed and wholesale death from starvation occurs. This calamity occurred among deer in several States to the south of us within the past ten years and the same situation is shaping up in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. To my way of thinking Minister MacKenzie's comment smack of sound common sense. I trust that in this age of sky high meat prices that no tasty venison will be allowed to rot in the woods while hungry children clamour to have their stomachs filled with what one's system craves for—substantial, satisfying meat.

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Carloadings. OTTAWA, Nov. 23—(CP)—Carloadings on Canadian railways decreased during the week ended Nov. 17 to 83,513 cars compared with 83,987 cars for the previous week and 88,388 cars for the corresponding week a year ago. The Bureau of Statistics reported today that increases were shown in loadings of gasoline, grain and grain products and pulpwood. Declines were registered in loadings of woodpulp and paper, livestock, coal, coke, ore and lumber.

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