

Swimmers are Sore After Generals.

By NICK FILLMORE
BORDEN — International swimming star John LaCourse, of Montreal, fought waves three times and sea-sick in a way for seven hours and ten minutes Saturday to capture the first annual Northumberland Strait swim and become the first man ever to conquer the sea-borne mile nazar.

Reaching the half-way mark in two hours, LaCourse was swimming with great ease. LaCourse was plagued by a "sore" in the water as high as eight feet for the second leg of his 11.000 swimming swim.

The first person ever to conquer Quebec's Lake St. Jean, LaCourse entered the Northumberland Strait swim expecting to have a light workout in preparation for a \$3,500 swim he will enter Aug. 3.

"Some workout," he said following the race, "they told me it would take four hours. I've never faced that rough in my life."

The only other person to complete Saturday's trek was 39-year old John Starret of Naicwick, N.S.

A slow endurance type swimmer, determined to stick it out to the finish, Starret, a partial cripple since birth, made his crossing in 10 hours, 45 minutes.

Chilled to a pale blue by the 65 degrees water the Natick professional said to the hundreds of swimmers who had crowded him on for the last, most difficult mile: "If I hadn't been for you people, I'd never left Edward Island, I never would have made it. I've found a home here."

Nine of the original 16 contestants entered the water just before the Cape Tormentine ferry terminal at 9:10 a.m. The

seven non-entrants were not available for comment.

The starting group included John LaCourse, also a triathlete, Bill Connor, Halifax; Geraid McKenzie, HMCS Stadacona; Morgan Mitchell, Charlottetown; John Starret, Naicwick; Helen Carragher, followed by Connor, Biggar, Starret, MacKenzie and Carragher.

ROUGH WATERS
 Conditions were ideal throughout the first half of the swim but a northerly wind swinging rafter, Ebbaflett; Ronald Burns, Cape Tormentine; Donnie Starret, Arsenault, Summerside; and Davison Biggar, Charlottetown.

The nippy tide made the half way mark and the first drop-out came only after a three hour battle with the street.

By 2:30 p.m. the field had been cut to six, with LaCourse more than half a mile in the into effect at 1:30 p.m. and the wind velocity increasing, the always rough Northumberland became turbulent.

Approximately half-way from Borden a pack of swimmers was caught by the reversing tide that pulled the swimmers with such force that Biggar, MacKenzie and Carragher had to withdraw from the race because of poor position.

Charlottetown's Davison Biggar, who actually lost several miles until he was only two miles from the Island but still in the water, was the only swimmer who without gain he withdrew.

"I passed Helen (Carragher) when we both were in trouble with the tide," he said, "and told her she may as well give up."

The 19-year old Ebbaflett last, a favourite with the crowd of more than 4,000, fought on for more than an hour without making headway. She was finally pulled from the water, nearly exhausted.

HMCS Stadacona protegee Gerald MacKenzie, who clocked the 11 mile Halifax Natal Day swim in a record time of seven hours, 26 minutes was the last person to give up. He left the water at 4:15 p.m., cursing the rough water, and "those crazy, wind blown tides."

MacKenzie and at least five of the others who entered the water, said he was determined to return and try again next summer.

CONOR ENDS CAREER
 Halifax native Bill Connor, pulled from the water after six hours, said he definitely wouldn't be back next summer.

"I was less than two miles from shore and in good position to win the whole thing," he said "and then the sea-sickness hit me. It was taking me a whole stroke to get my balance and I was only making progress with the other arm. My heart wasn't in it today anyway, and when I withdrew from the race because of poor position.

One of Nova Scotia's top distance swimmers in recent years, Connor has won both the Halifax five mile and 11 mile swims and placed well up in the CNE swim.

"The first place money of \$1,000 was given to LaCourse at the closing ceremonies in Borden Saturday evening by a wim president, MacCormack. Starret collected \$500 for his second place finish.

9:10 — Nine starters enter the water.

9:10 — 9:30 — Southerly tide and 9:30 — Half-mile — LaCourse, 75 yards in lead; 2 — Connor; 3 — MacKenzie; 4 — Starret.

10:30 — Two miles — LaCourse (500 yards ahead); 2 — Connor; 3 — MacKenzie; 4 — Mitchell; 5 — Starret; 6 — Burns; 7 — Arsenault; 8 — Biggar; 9 — Carragher.

11:00 — Mitchell out of water — cramps in leg.

11:20 — Burns out of water — cramps.

12:00 — 4 1/2 miles — LaCourse (mile ahead); 2 — MacKenzie (gaining); 3 — Connor; 4 — Starret; 5 — Arsenault; 6 — Carragher.

1:30 — 4:30 — Northerly tide with rough waters.

1:45 — Arsenault out of water — cramps.

1:50 — 1 — LaCourse, four miles from Borden, two from Island; 2 — Connor, four and a half miles from Borden, two from Island; 3 — Biggar, six miles from Borden, two miles from Island; 4 — Starret, seven miles from Borden, three miles from Island; 5 — MacKenzie; 6 — Carragher.

2:30 — Biggar out of race — cramps.

3:00 — Connor out of race — sea-sick.

3:15 — LaCourse — three miles from Borden, moving well.

3:45 — Carragher out of race — cramps.

4:15 — MacKenzie out of race — cramps.

4:30 — LaCourse winner — 7 hours, 10 minutes.

5:00 — Starret — 3 1/2 miles from Borden.

5:15 — Starret aborts second — 10 hours and 35 minutes.

HELEN CARRAGHER
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Strait is Big Surprise for Veteran Pro Swimmer

By NANCY WHITE
 In excellent condition after 10 years and two months in the Northumberland Strait, Jean LaCourse, the 27-year-old Montrealer, finished the first annual Sunday's big race, told the Guardian-Patriot the Strait had been a surprise to him.

"I swam 17 1/2 miles," said the husky French-Canadian, whose trip to the finish was a half mile per hour. He had had trouble with the "side tide" which had been in the water for a long time.

LaCourse expressed surprise when swim official George MacGaugan informed him that the lowest temperature recorded in the Strait during the swim was 63 degrees.

"He had entered the nine-mile swim thinking it would be a good workout for the Atlantic swim at Lake St. Jean on August 3. The choppy waters of the Northumberland Strait were much more than just a workout."

During the course of the swim, he found himself virtually at a standstill for close to an hour and a half "I never seemed to get any closer. That washes your brain," he commented.

Having just set a new record for a Northumberland Strait swim, LaCourse felt the trophy was his. "I love trophies," he said frankly.

His trip was supposed to be a perpetual one awarded annually, but LaCourse was the first swimmer to win the trophy, he should be allowed to keep it.

John Guay said that Melchers will create a perpetual trophy for next year, and they will bring it here personally when LaCourse returns again to challenge his newly-established record.

The Montrealers suggested to the swim officials that awarding a trophy would bring more interest to the Island for the competition. They said they were sure that if a trophy were awarded, it would bring more women to finish in the Atlantic City swim would come down.

"She loves trophies too," added LaCourse.

FRANK BOATMAN
 Following LaCourse in a fishing boat were Jean Guay, his brother-in-law, one of his trainers, and Guay, public relations director for the Fisheries Department, who had honored the swimmer. They had highest praise for their boatman, Nelson Borden, a Borden fisherman and swim president James McCormack described as "the best man in the Strait."

"Where to turn and when that was the trick," said Guay, indicating that Bernard had been the best type of boat to use in following a swimmer, they said, being quite flexible and maneuverable.

LaCourse has been swimming professionally since 1954 and has competed in the CNE in Toronto, John City, Atlantic City, where he placed third earlier this month in the 26 mile swim, and Lake St. Jean, Quebec.

Little League Action Saturday
 In little league action on Saturday, the Braves dominated the Red Sox 4-2. Dave MacInnis pitched the win for the Braves while Urt McDonald pitched the loss for the Red Sox. The Braves won their only play to garner two hits in this encounter.

In other little league games the Mets trounced the Yankees 12-1 behind the steady pitching of Bill Adams. The longest game of the game was a 3-bagger by Blair MacDonald while Wayne LaClare, Ed Power and Roger Jabour hit doubles.

The final game of the day, the Angels drubbed Cards 7-2. The winning pitcher was John DeLoe. The longest game of the day was a 3-bagger by Richard Young with a home run and a grand slam that had a homer and triple.

Following is the schedule for the first part of the week.

BASEBALL SCORES

New York	011 000-0-2 6-2
Chicago	410 011-0-1 8-10
Jackson	(6-13) Hook 1-0
MacKenzie (7) and Gonder, Jochens (7A) and Batten (8) 1-0	
NYK-Nut (6) Hain-Warwick (6), Batten (7).	

STANDINGS

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W. P. L. GBL

New York	64 36 640
Chicago	57 45 350 8
Baltimore	55 48 334 101
Minnesota	52 45 334 101
Boston	52 49 315 124
St. Louis	51 53 460 115
Los Angeles	51 56 477 164
Kansas City	47 55 461 130
Detroit	41 56 434 204
Washington	36 66 333 229

National League

W. P. L. GBL	52
Los Angeles	41 60 5
St. Louis	38 46 358 44
San Francisco	38 46 358 44
Chicago	35 49 333 7
Cincinnati	35 49 333 7
Pittsburgh	35 49 333 7
Philadelphia	35 49 333 7
Philadelphia	35 49 333 7
Philadelphia	35 49 333 7
Houston	41 67 337 224

MONDAY
 Minor League—9:00 — Twins vs. Dodgers, Tigers vs. Braves, Little League—9:00 — Cardinals vs. Yankees, Mets vs. Braves; 1:30 — Red Sox vs. Angels; Bantam and Midget.

TUESDAY
 Little League—9:30 — Red Sox vs. Cards, Yankees vs. Braves; 1:30 — Cardinals vs. Yankees and Midget—Giants vs. White Sox.

WEDNESDAY
 Angels vs. Kingfishers (HD), Mets vs. RCMP (QC).

THURSDAY
 Angels vs. Firemen (QC), Kingfishers vs. Angels (QC).

FRIDAY
 Angels vs. Bankers (QC).

WEDNESDAY
 Firemen vs. Kingfishers (HD), Bankers vs. Angels (QC).

MRS. BEER IS SECOND
 The scores of the leaders were as follows:
 Blanche Hogg 88-87-175
 Mrs. J.K. Beer 86-90-176
 Mrs. F.M. Cannon 84-91-185
 Mrs. C. MacMillan 84-94-185
 Mrs. Wm. Beer 106-98-188
 Mrs. A. Horne (Gay) 86-105-201
 Mrs. E. Taylor 97-104-201
 Mrs. G. Molloy 104-98-202
 Mrs. N.E. MacLeod 101-101-202
 Miss C. MacDonald 110-102-207

Blanche Hogg Retains Women's Golf Ch'ship

Summerside — Blanche Hogg of Summerside retained her provincial women's golf championship at the Summerside Golf and Country Club Saturday in one of the closest and most nerve-ringing finishes that the local game has seen.

Blanche, who has now won the provincial title six times, tied the last two in a row, fought her way back into contention from a seven-stroke deficit at one point in the final 16 holes.

Mrs. J.K. Beer, Summerside, had a two point lead in Friday's 18 holes, and had increased it to seven half way through the second round, but the two golfers were much closer on the final green, and Mrs. Hogg secured the issue. Mrs. Hogg sank a 15 foot downhill putt, and Mrs. Beer, with a chance to tie the match and force a play-off putt, failed to convert.

Marsha Schurman of Summerside won the Junior competition with a 226 total for the 36 holes. Barbara Moreside of Charlottetown placed second.

The Dr. J.S. Simpson trophy and the C.L.G.U. Rose Bowl were presented to Miss Hogg by Mrs. Christine MacDonald, president of the Ladies Golf Association of Summerside. "Miss C" also made the other presentations at the banquet held after the competition.

In 1959 Canada's veterans affairs department has accumulated more than 100,000 unclaimed medals.



STILL FRESH LOOKING
 The winner of the first Northumberland Strait marathon swim, Jean LaCourse, of Pointe Aux Trembles, Que., has a wave and a smile for the hundreds of people who gathered at Borden to see him finish. Jean hardly seems the grueling race in which seven of the original nine starters were forced to drop out. Swim President, John MacCormack, with the cigarette can seen in the background.

Grant Captures B. Aggregate
 SUSSEX, N.B. (CP) — A 16-year-old cadet from Dartmouth, N.S., has rifle shooting experts checking records after winning the Grand Aggregate in the New Brunswick Rifle Association's 97th annual prize meeting here last week.

Ralph Grant is not the first cadet to win the New Brunswick Grand Aggregate—although it's been more than 30 years since it happened last. But what has got the authorities looking into the past is the fact that he added the New Brunswick Grand Aggregate to the Prince Edward Island Grand Aggregate, which he won earlier this year.

They would to know not only if he could, but also why competitor, ever has taken top honors in two of the Maritime Provinces in any one year.

Grant's performance at Charlottetown stamped him as one of the top favorites in the New Brunswick shoot, but the tall, slight, dark youngster who was one of the leading students in grade 10 of Dartmouth high school during the past school year, didn't let this disturb him. His score of 574.

Woodstock Karts Visit Covehead
 The highlight of Saturday's races at Covehead Kart Park was the attendance of four karts and their drivers from Woodstock, N.B. This was the first time that the Woodstock karts had raced on the Island and although new to the track driver's gave a good account of themselves.

The first elimination race of the evening was won by Ralph Sharp of the visitors.

Undoubtedly the widest race ever held at Covehead was the 20 lap main event. The large crowds in attendance saw pileup after pileup which resulted in the red flag at the 10 lap with only four karts out of the starting sixteen stall.

Gene Franklin of Woodstock took a bad spin on the second turn of this race but escaped with only bruises. Due to a large number of accidents, the starter found it difficult to let the race go. The race was finally succeeded and the event won by M. McCarty, Marauders 10.

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Charlottetown to:

Montreal	\$16.00
Corner Brook	\$18.00
St. John's	\$23.00
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