

# Preparing Celebration If Longden Catches Richards

By FRANK FRAWLEY  
DEL MAR, Calif. (AP)—They're making a Del Mar race celebration at Del Mar race track when and if ageless Johnny Longden breaks Sir Gordon Richards' all-time racing record of 4,470 winners.

Sir Gordon won't be on hand, having cabied his regrets, but he sent Longden his best wishes. Longden, a 41-year-old, seems to be riding as well as ever and with 12 more days to catch the Richards mark before Del Mar closes, seems a shoo-in.

Longden is 46 years old, probably the oldest active jockey in the business, and certainly the oldest topnotcher. He has been aiming at Richards' mark for some time but it is doubtful whether he will retire even if he makes it.

up this game," says the little fellow who has been dubbed by his fellow craftsmen as "money-bags."

"There are many nice people in this business, nice owners and trainers and jocks. Then, too, I might get the mount on another really great horse. I've ridden some of the greatest horses we ever had, Whirlaway, Count Fleet, Noor, First Fiddle, to mention just a few. Count Fleet was the best I ever rode, and I was the rider for Busher. She was positively the greatest filly in history."

how fast each quarter of a race is run.

Despite his successes, Longden has continued to live simply. He has a small home in Arcadia, Calif., not far from the Santa Anita Racetrack. He and Mrs. Longden, the former Helen Tarn, daughter of trainer Al Tarn, have two children.

**NO WEIGHT PROBLEM**

His son, Vance, is earning his niche as a trainer, and handles the horses for Alberta Ranches Inc., a Canadian concern in which Johnny has a financial interest.

Under racing rules Johnny cannot ride in a race against one of his son's thoroughbreds, but he is Vance's first choice if the "old man" is available. He usually is.

Mrs. Longden doesn't have any unusual problems with her husband's diet. His normal weight is 113 pounds and that's what he weighs, in season and out. He eats what he likes and doesn't have to resort to the steam baths that have driven many jockeys out of the game.

Longden's record is as honorable as it is long. No trace of suspicion has ever been attached to him. The stewards have set him down now and then but only because of his hard riding and desire to win. Trainer Willie Delser, one of the country's greatest, said this of Longden: "He has lost races on my horses—that's horse racing. But he's always trying to win, and he's honest."

**BORN IN ENGLAND**

T. D. (Pinky) Grimes, who trained the great sprinter With Regards, considers Longden the "world's best rider."

"A man can trust him," said Grimes. "He gets the best of a horse without punishing him, and that's why he is so successful with young horses and fillies."

Longden was born in Wakefield, an English coal mining town, in 1910. The family moved to Taber, in the Alberta coal fields, shortly afterward. It was in the coal mines that he developed his powerful shoulders. His physical makeup is unlike the average jockey's. He has short legs — so short, in fact, that he developed his arms and legs in rhythm, and because of that he has become known as "the pumper."

As a youth, Johnny learned his riding at county fairs in Western Canada before he started campaigning at the big U.S. tracks. He has ridden in Mexico, Cuba, England, Ireland and Australia, has won virtually every major stakes event in America and has been national riding champion three times.

Quite a guy, this Johnny Longden.

**SET MANY RECORDS**

Johnny is a millionaire. He has set so many racing records he has lost count. It takes a lot of riding to bring some 4,870 horses under the wire a winner.

It has taken Johnny 29 years, and he was for many years the country's most active jockey. Why doesn't he retire and enjoy the fruit of his labor?

"I'd miss my friends, if I gave

**FLIES OWN PLANE**

When Longden decides it prudent to get out of the saddle, he undoubtedly will become active in some other phase of the sport of kings. Johnny operates a 500-acre stock ranch near Yerington, Nev., and often flies his own plane there for weekends and vacations.

"Riding is Johnny's business and Johnny attends to business," Longden's agent for many years once said of him.

Certainly Longden has no peer when it comes to riding a speed horse that likes to get out front and stay. Some trainers say he has what they call a "watch in his head." He has been able to gauge to a fraction of a second

# Alouettes Shade Argonauts 24-20

By THE CANADIAN PRESS  
Montreal Alouettes scored a 24-20 victory Saturday over an injury-riddled Toronto Argonaut squad in the opening Montreal clash of the Big Four football schedule.

In the Western Interprovincial Football Union, the 1935 Grey Cup champion Edmonton Eskimos were life-and-death to win at home over Calgary Stampeders, 22-23, and at Regina, the Saskatchewan Roughriders downed Winnipeg Blue Bombers 28-16.

In the Ontario Rugby Football Union senior series opens Saturday, Kitchener downed the new Rochester entry 30-14 at Kitchener, and Toronto Balmy Beach edged Sarnia 22-21 at Sarnia.

Alouettes rode home on the pass-and-catch wizardry of Sam Echeverry and Hal Patterson, with Pat Abbruzzi carrying the plunging burden.

Argos went into the game without their ace pass combination of quarterback Tom Dublinski and end Al Pfeifer and also minus lineman Billy Shipp. Canadian Gerry Doucette filled in for Dublinski and performed creditably.

The teams split six touchdowns evenly and the margin of the Alouette victory turned out to be a field goal and single by Bud Korchak. Abbruzzi contributed two touchdowns for Montreal and Bob Pascal one. Dick Shatto, Bucky Curtis and O. K. Ferguson scored the Toronto touchdowns. Korchak and Mike Falls each kicked two of their attempted converts.

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All three were converted by quarterback Don Klosterman and Pagliel kicked a single.

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Ken Carpenter accounted for another touchdown while Reg Whitehouse converted all three and kicked a field goal. Larry Isabel kicked four singles for Saskatchewan.

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**PARKER PACES ESKS**

A last-quarter single gave Edmonton its victory.

The handy guy in the Eskimo victory was Jackie Parker, the Mississippi midget man, who kicked the game-winning point in the fourth quarter.

Halfback Earl Lindley inter-

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**Standings**

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**American League**

New York	80	46	.635
Cleveland	70	51	.579 7 1/2
Chicago	67	54	.554 10 1/2
Boston	67	56	.545 11 1/2
Detroit	60	64	.484 19
Baltimore	55	68	.447 23 1/2
Washington	51	73	.421 28 1/2
Kansas City	41	82	.333 37 1/2

**National League**

W	L	Pct.	G.B.
Milwaukee	75	47	.615
Brooklyn	71	49	.592 8
Cincinnati	72	53	.576 4 1/2
St. Louis	63	61	.508 13
Philadelphia	57	64	.471 17 1/2
Pittsburgh	53	72	.424 23 1/2
New York	50	71	.413 24 1/2
Chicago	49	73	.402 26

**NEW YORK (AP)**—Phil Rizzuto, last of the pre-war New York Yankees, was released Saturday to make room on the roster for Enos (Country) Slaughter, 40-year-old outfielder, obtained from Kansas City Athletics via waivers.

Slaughter, now hitting .379, was sent to Kansas City last year but was brought back to help the Yankees, league leaders despite an outfield hampered by injuries.

Owner Arnold Johnson of the Athletics said Kansas City would receive in exchange a player who now is a regular on the Yankee team and who would be a regular with the Athletics next year.

Out-and-out trading between major league clubs is prohibited after June 15. After that date a player must be put on waivers with the clubs lowest in the standings getting first choice.

Rizzuto, a dominant factor in Yankee successes since 1941, has played but little this season and last weekend auditioned for the

**PROBABLE PITCHERS**

**NEW YORK (AP)**—Probable pitchers in the major leagues today:

**National League**  
Brooklyn at Milwaukee — Newcombe (20-6) vs Comley (7-7) (Only game scheduled)

**American League**  
Cleveland at Washington (N)—Lemon (16-11) vs Griggs (1-3) (Only game scheduled)

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