

SPORTS

By CARMAN SMITH

Racing in Ontario

WE recently received a contribution for a sports column from a Charlottetown resident, H.E. Sims who is spending some time in Toronto, and we thought it would be a good idea to use it to concern a person known to island race drivers, owners and fans.

The writeup appeared last Friday in the Toronto Globe and Mail and is headlined "Argot Cited at 1-11; Justifies Long Trip By Owner Morrissey." The story is on Orville Morrissey, the New Brunswick race owner who trained and raced Argot for a time last season at the Charlottetown Driving Park.

The writeup is as follows: "Orville Morrissey drove 1,900 miles, part of it through a snowstorm, but after Noble Argot won the fourth race last night at Mohawk Racetrack, he considers the trip here from Charlottetown worthwhile."

"Morrissey, 37, was an unexpected arrival on the Ontario racing scene this spring and he made it with a trip he forgot he had to make. Five horses aboard his truck, he started out in the middle of April. Midway through the province of Quebec he was more surprised at Morrissey's arrival than racing manager Ed Bradley. Morrissey walked into his office and politely asked for stalls, the type of request Bradley had been forced to turn down for many horsemen."

Stock Not Exceptional

THE writeup continues: "Morrissey doesn't consider his stock exceptional but feels it can do a creditable job. He owns, Argot, Harry Doc, Candy Bell and Prince Adam and is training the trotter Wing Victory, owned by Mrs. K.I. Campbell of St. John's, N.B."

"Morrissey didn't place in the money in any drives with Argot, Harry Doc, or Prince Adam, so it wasn't too surprising to see Argot leave the starting gate last night at 10-1. Argot beat Grattan Bar to the wire by a length."

"The N.B. rebarman said economics forced him to try racing in Ontario. 'You can't survive as a horseman any more unless in fact you receive a subsidy from a business-man who is trying to maintain the sport,' said Morrissey. 'Back home there isn't the population to make harness racing a livable job for horsemen.'"

"The horse scribbler adds: "Noble Argot's victory backed up his viewpoint. It's win was worth \$20, well above the \$12 the 7-year-old made in winning four of seven races in the island province last year."

"But, just saw Mr. Morrissey. Other horsemen seem to be doing all right with their stables at the local oval and on other Maritime tracks. We also got the word right from the horse's mouth that the \$12 he reaped on four wins with Argot allegedly on the island was not won on the Montreal oval. We wish Mr. Morrissey the luck he apparently lacked here during his campaign on Upper Canada tracks."

Piersall Joins Mets

HOW will the high-strung Jimmy Piersall get along with the "O.C. Professor," Casey Stengel? We'll have to take a wait-and-see attitude. This is the fourth team that Piersall has played with. He started his major league career with the Boston Red Sox in 1947 and from there went to Cleveland. Later he joined Washington Senators, the AL career dwellers and later with the National League cellar team, Casey's Mets. This could be the sign for the end of a colorful and sometimes controversial career. One thing is sure, the only way he can go is up.

Managers always seemed to have trouble handling Piersall. The efficient with the umpires, his occasional showboat efforts have never been popular with either managers or teammates. But there are some who think Casey will be able to handle the veteran and usually manages to coax the best out of them.

Piersall and Stengel at one time had a somewhat mutual admiration club. Piersall was once quoted as saying "How I'd love to play in New York, for Casey Stengel." Casey on the other hand one time rated Piersall the best rightfielder he ever saw.

They now have each other and we'll watch with interest the end results.

Clay vs. Clains Cooper

LONDON (AP)—American heavy boxer Clains Cooper is set to fight British fighter Henry Clay in London on June 12. Clay had just stepped off an airliner that brought him here to fight Cooper June 12.

"I'm just falling in time until meet Liston," Clay said. "That's great big fight, really, too ugly to be world champion. Real fighters are good looking—like me."

Cassius created a big stir in London by saying, "I've headlined it from page story, here's Cassius—yes, he's here."

Police had to control a crowd of about 100 outside the restaurant where Clay and Cooper met the press.

When Clay met Cooper for the first time he shook his hand and told the Briton: "You are now talking to the future heavyweight champion of the world. It's very foolish of you to fight me. This will be your last fight."

Clay's poem for the fight went this way:

Als Invite P.E.I. Native To Camp

MONTREAL (CP)—Three backstops from Quebec City have been invited to attend the pre-season training camp for the Montreal Expos, which is being conducted next month by Montreal Alouettes, the Eastern Football Conference club announced Monday night.

They are Cass Quinn, son of hockey player Sara Quinn, John Soles of St. Patrick's High School, and Edmond Richard of St. Lawrence Seminary.

Richard, a native of Prince Edward Island, led the Quebec Scholastic League in scoring with 15 touchdowns last season.

The club also announced three youngsters from Arville, Que., have been invited to the training camp and backstops Gerry Jean and Brendan Ward.

Coach Jim Trimble and assistant Ed Stone held football clinics in the two communities last weekend.

Golf Ass'n Calls Meet

SUMMERSIDE — There will be a meeting of the executive committee of the St. John's Golf Association at the club rooms tonight at 8 p.m.

Earl's president, is requesting that members of all committees be present to formulate plans for the summer activities.

Shamrocks Call Practice

Coach Vern Blanchard has called a practice for R38 Shamrocks this evening at 6 o'clock on the Old Diamond. All of last year's players are urged to be on hand. Any other players wishing to try out with the team are welcome.

Meet Slated For Pistons

Coach Danny McCormack has called a meeting for last year's Canadian Tire Pistons this evening at 8 o'clock at the Main Bldg.

ARE FOREMOST Haiti's forest product in 1961 averaged 73 a person—the lowest in the Americas.

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Alex Faulkner Given Timorous Welcome

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP)—A tumultuous welcome awaited Detroit Red Wing Alex Faulkner here Monday as the climax of a triumphant tour across Newfoundland to bring his first season in the National Hockey League to a close.

Well over 1,000 cars turned out for a horn-tooting, cheering motorcade that trailed Faulkner and his wife Doris through city streets to the huge parking lot of the civic stadium.

The N.B. residents of children shouted and waved at Faulkner as he drove by, the top of his convertible down in brilliant sunshine and 70-degree temperature.

He arrived with a part of his entourage after a 60-mile drive around Conception Bay from Harbor Grace, the little town where he learned much of his hockey and where his brother George still coaches.

The first Newfoundlanders ever to make the NHL, Faulkner received a cheque and a silver tray from his fans at Harbor Grace.

In St. John's, it was another cheque and a movie outfit. Premier Smallwood, in top form before the huge crowd and Alex's parents, made the presentation here and told Alex he was Newfoundland's "a m b a s a d o r of goodwill."

Faulkner, a shy 26-year-old who was obviously nervous, told Mr. Smallwood he'd rather play hockey "it's easier."

"It's rather do this," replied the premier, "because I'm no good at hockey."

There was another big parade and presentations in central Newfoundland, kicking off Faulkner's return from a honeymoon in the southern United States. He was back in time to take part in Newfoundland's May 24th fishing holidays, though.

Monday night the Faulkner ceremonies wound up with a private dinner and dance at a night club just outside the city.

Tony Lema Cops Tony

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP)—Tony Lema's par four on the first hole of a sudden-death playoff Monday won him top money in the \$50,000 Memphis Open Golf tournament as he dropped a 2-putt Tony Aaron into second place.

Aaron shot a five on the playoff hole.

Lema, from San Leandro, Calif., and Aaron, from Gainesville, Ga., wound up regulation play with blistering 10-under-par 270s to force the playoff.

Lema pulled into a tie with a birdie four on the long 11th hole.

He reached the green in two strokes and came down from 25 feet in two putts.

The strong finish by Aaron and Lema overcame a one-stroke edge by Harold Knoese of Alena, S.C., after three rounds.

Lema won \$8,000 and Aaron picked up \$4,000, second-place prizes.

Both golfers found the regular 72 holes after three strokes ahead of the nearest contenders, Knoese and Bruce Crampton of Australia shared third place with 274.

Two Gridders Are Retiring

HAMILTON (CP)—Vince Scott of Hamilton Tiger-Cats, one of the top guards in Canadian pro football during the last 14 seasons, has announced his retirement from football.

"I'm retiring, I've finished, I'm through," said the 38-year-old Notre Dame grad, "and getting out while I've still got all my marbles, some physical reserves and the affection of the fans."

OTTAWA (CP)—Ted Smale, 30, of defensive end with Ottawa Rough Riders of the Eastern Football Conference, announced his retirement Monday after a meeting with General Manager Red O'Quinn.

Smale, who has been with the Ottawa club for the last seven years, said he felt he should devote more time to his job with Atomic Energy of Canada. He is a production engineer in charge of special products.

DROUGHT THREATENS In northwest Brazil some 2,000,000 people still are haunted by hunger and death which between 1877 and 1879 killed half the population.

Cards' Dick Groat Regains Magic Touch; Ops in NL

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RCAF Softball Team Grabs Second Win

SUMMERSIDE — The RCAF softball team won their second game in a row last night at Queen Elizabeth Park in Summerside, defeating Ennals Drug 21-7 in a lopsided played game in which 20 hits were chalked up and 14 errors. The game, a drab, unexciting affair, was in direct contrast to the brilliant opener on Saturday afternoon.

John Sandilands started for the airforce, worked three innings, gave up three runs on five hits, and struck out two. He was followed by Pete Devana, one remaining four frames allotted a "whip" specialist, who in the four hits good for four runs. Devana struck out seven.

Jerry Kemper went all the way for the losers, was outbored for 19 hits, including six dou-bles, a triple and a home run. His mates contributed to the debacle by making ten miscues.

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1960 while with Pittsburgh, hitting .325. He slumped to .275 the next season and batted .294 in 1962 before the Pirates traded him to St. Louis last November. His hit total is eight more than anyone else in the big leagues. Bill White is the NL runner-up with 59 safeties.

Hodgers, Stars Hold Workouts

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