

Back Stretch

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vanced. The other members of his stable are Buster 2.07 2-5, one of last year's most improved trotters, Fannie B., a pacing mare with a record of 2.07 1-5, Arthur Hanover 2.06 2-5, Nibble Wyn 2.09, the much improved Norway 2.11 4-5 and Isabelle M., a green mare of more than ordinary promise.

The Charlottetown track is drying up nicely and dozens of horses are being jogged over it daily. Next week the "maintainer" will be used and the track will be levelled off and a "gang" will pick up the loose stones so that by about May 1st horses will be able to go double headers. This year horsemen wanting stalls should apply direct to Bill MacAusland, who is in charge of their allotment.

Our Montreal correspondent

writes that the first race of the season at Richelieu Park was held last weekend and although the weather was cool about 4,000 people attended. The time was slow but good, considering that the track was very heavy and rough and that it was so early in the season. Most of the horses that won places had been racing at Dufferin Park, Toronto, previously. Glancing over the score card we see familiar names such as My Partner, that Joe O'Brien drove at the night races here in 1947 to a record of 2.09 1-5, which was at that time the night racing track record. "Harry" mentioned that Giffline went a grand race and looking up the score card we see that in the first classified event Giffline was 2-2 in a good field. Readers will remember that he was brought here some years ago by Jimmie Power, who purchased him from the late Charles Barrett, Park Hill, Ontario. In the second classified event Miss Woodland was 1-2. She was driven by R. Armstrong who was a popular driver here two seasons ago. Last winter he raced at Dufferin.

The top stable trained in the south and perhaps the best stable of trotters and pacers in the United States arrived at Roosevelt last week. The Wayne "Curly" Smart entourage with Frank Dwyer in charge. It took only 33 hours for the express train to run them up from Orlando to Westbury. The stable consists not only of fast juveniles but also plenty of aged pacing and trotting stock. The two-year-olds include Atomic Hanover, Selka Mc. Am Scott, a full brother to Almee Scott, one of the top heat winning mares in the country a year ago; House of Lords, labelled as one of the best in the south this winter, and Waybill.

The three-year-olds include Spencer Camp, Wayside, Florate, Fontunio, Seattle Hanover, Prince Chief and Na Na Worthy. The older horses are Mighty Song, Breeze On, Scottish Perce, Bud Mile, Golden Chief, Theo A. Abbe, Zombelle Senlah, Red Chuck, Almee Scott, Bossy Hanover and Miranda Hanover. The 24 with their equipment would probably be worth a quarter of a million dollars.

Matinees were held last Sunday at Pinehurst, N. C. and E. P. Gray's three-year-old King Royal won the first event in 2.17 2-5 and 2.17 3-5. Safford was second both times with Peach Butter. In the third race The Cardinal, driven by Safford, headed Intangible, with George Mahoney up, in 2.16 2-5. The second dash showed the best time of the day—2.12 3-5—and was won by Early Dawn, with Albert Jones driving. Early Dawn is now a four-year-old. Last season he was raced as a three-year-old and took a record of 2.10 4-5, and was owned by E. A. Grant, Houlton, Maine, who

New Locomotive For Island Division



The above is a picture of the new diesel-electric type locomotive which is now being used on the Island Division of the Canadian National Railways. It is expected that about the middle of next month the Island Division will be completely "dieselized." The above photo was taken during an inspection of the new locomotive by provincial and civic officials. Included in the picture are His Honour Lieut.-Governor J. A. Bernard, Premier J. Walter Jones and His Worship Mayor B. Earle MacDonald. Guests were later treated to a train run of the new engine by Superintendent C. T. Montgomery of the Island Division CNR. —Photo by Garnhum

purchased him from Lester Johnson, Fortune, P. E. I. He is by Playdale 2.04 1-2 out of Dude Potempkin 2.07 1-4. Recently we heard that he had stepped a half clove to one minute over the Pinehurst track.

The sudden death early this week of Henry Knauf, President of the United States Trotting Association, has cast a gloom over the entire harness horse world. Mr. Knauf was one of the most popular men in the state of Illinois and for sixteen years was a state representative, declining re-nomination this year because he believed his duties as President of the U. S. T. A. did not give him time to do anything more. He was a very fair man and accessible to anyone. He radiated confidence in the organization of which he was head. There is no question but that he has been a power for good in the harness horse world, discouraging any practices that would injure it and constantly endeavoring to make it more popular with the public. The writer knew him well personally and any questions in connection with District 11 brought before him were dealt with most sympathetically. He was laid to rest last Wednesday with hundreds of horsemen friends attending from various points in the United States.

Early this week death claimed

one of New Brunswick's well known citizens, Louis Byron C. Phair of Fredericton. He was a retired postal clerk. Mr. Phair was active in harness horse racing in the years 1912-1918 and was always a popular figure at race tracks where his horses performed. He was for many years active in the Fredericton Exhibition and in civic government.

We have received from Dr. F. C. Dougan his booklet compiled annually with eligibility list for 1950 of trotters and pacers now owned or raced in the Maritimes, also important rules with questions and answers. Alphabetically appears the name of the pacer, his 1949 winnings, class eligibility and similarly the trotters. This makes it a handy reference for horsemen and track owners and the rules give a guide to most of the usual happenings that occur in racing. We congratulate the doctor on his booklet and feel sure it will be appreciated by those who receive it.

Hunters Corner

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hunting and fishing was brought up. It was suggested that the hunting and angling license for city residents be raised from one dol-

lar to two dollars and that all male residents of the country 16 years and over be taxed one dollar for hunting or fishing or their own property. In short a dollar license for the country feller and a two dollar license for the city feller. Farmers to be allowed to hunt or fish on their own property without having to buy a license.

It will be interesting to note the reaction of our farmer Game Association to this suggested amendment to the Game Act.

Will they be content to continue to enjoy free gratis of the fruits of the city sports money and labours to improve our fishing and hunting or will they put their shoulders to the wheel and help put over the proposed project to better our provincial wildlife picture. Methinks it is up to everyone who enjoys the sport of hunting and fishing to contribute their share of the money that goes toward the betterment of those outdoor sports. There is no denying the fact that the excellent Hungarian partridge and pheasant shooting we enjoy in this province at the present time is the result of the initiative, time, labour and money of our urban (city) sportsmen.

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See Britain Split Into "Two Nations"

By ALAN HARVEY LONDON, April 20 — (CP) — A phrase used nearly a century ago by Benjamin Disraeli is being applied to Britain's present political situation.

Disraeli wrote that the industrial revolution, with its emphasis on utilitarian economics and the absentee landlord, had split Britain into "two nations" by widening the gap between rich and poor. The same term is held to have significance today.

Advocates of the "two nations" theory argue that the contemporary conflict is not between rich and poor but between those from the industrial areas on the one hand and those from the rural and white-collar communities on the other.

This analysis is based largely on last February's general election, which snuffed out the smaller parties and raised two main parliamentary protagonists to positions of nearly equal strength. These are the governing Labor Party, backed by a mass trade-union vote in industrial constituencies, and the Conservatives, largely supported by agriculture and the middle class.

Great Divide

Conservative Chief Winston Churchill, in his first speech of the new Parliament said none of the great political feuds he had known — home rule for Ireland, church and chapel, free trade — had produced a wider gulf than

exists today between the main parties. Viscount Samuel, a Liberal with more than 60 years in public life behind him, said in the House of Lords: "I have a greater feeling of anxiety than I have ever had in the vicissitudes of our politics... it is that this election confirms what

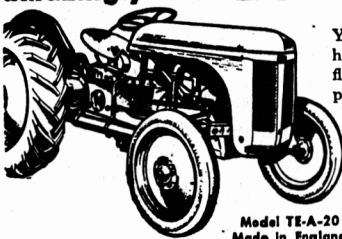
was gradually becoming clearer and clearer — namely that Britain is a divided nation." The Marquess of Salisbury, Conservative leader in the Lords, visualized a cleavage between the parties so deep "it may well be some difficult... for parliamentary democracy to function at all."

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