

B. C. Lady Named Athlete of Year

VANCOUVER, Jan. 23 (CP)—The Law of Vancouver, member of Canada's track team at the

Olympics last year, has been named outstanding woman athlete of the year by the Women's Amateur Athletic Federation of Canada. Miss Law, a sprinter, received notification of the award Thursday from federation headquarters at Hamilton, Ont. "I was very surprised," she said. "And I'm awfully happy."

Charlottetown Driving Park PROGRAM

Table listing driving events and dash counts for various dates from June 20th to August 8th, including event names like 'Dashes at \$175.00' and 'Early Closing'.

This is the program for the Charlottetown Driving Park for early closing events and proposed classified events up until Old Home Week. You will note that most Early Closing Events are not specified excepting as to gait, pending arrival of year book.

Entry forms will be mailed in April and if you do not receive same by mail apply to Box 373, Charlottetown, P. E. I. We have applied for a new charter which will enable us to race through October, weather conditions permitting.

Back Stretch

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er he won the Free For All in 2:05 1/2, 2:04 1/2, 2:04 1/2, which was a new record for the Quebec track and the fastest mile paced in Canada that year. Leaving Quebec he raced through the United States and at the celebrated Bloomsburg, Pa. Fair won in 2:05 1/2, 2:06, 2:06 1/2, from the best pacers in the eastern United States. That season he won 36 heats and was unquestionably a 2:00 or better pacer over one of the fast mile tracks. Unfortunately, he met with an accident said to be due to unloading him from the trailer. Anyhow he developed lameness but apparently sound, was bought the following year by F. C. McCurdy of Truro. When they started training him he showed slight symptoms of lameness and when raced it developed so he had to be retired.

During the years afterwards there was very little breeding in the Maritimes and Simcoe Harvester did not get much opportunity in the stud, but while in Alberton with Harry O'Brien he was bred to some mares and from these such good performers as Chocolate Dip 2:13 1/2, Dean Swift 2:14 1/2, Freddie Scott 2:11 1/2, Joey Harvester 2:09 1/2 and Doctor J. A. 2:09 1/2 were developed. Doctor J. A. was bred by Willard Coughlin of Alberton. Nothing was done with him except that he was let run out to pasture until the spring of his three-year-old form when Harry O'Brien and his son Ray took him in hand after he was sold to Dr. Donahoe, breaking him harness and hoppers. Harry said he couldn't show any step at all at first but that year he made 16 starts, was six times first, once second and once third and took a record of 2:12 1/2 as a three-year-old in the Colt Futurities at Charlottetown, September 12th. This is the record for Maritime bred three-year-old pacers. Last season he was 12 times first and took a record of 2:09 1/2 at Fredericton, September 1st. In conversation with Frank McAlduff a few weeks ago Doctor J. A. was discussed and Frank said that horse is a really great pacer. I'm quite sure if he is raced over Roosevelt he will take a record very close to 2:04."

Now let us look at the breeding of Doctor J. A. on his dam's side. She is a mare called Pansy C. by Calumet Budlong 2:02 1/2. Pansy has never been trained but showed lots of speed and toughness. Her dam was Margy Dillon by Guy Dillon and Guy Dillon was by Seymour Dillon by Sydney Dillon, the sire of one of the world's greatest trotters, Lou Dillon 1:58 1/2. Margy Dillon was, according to Harry O'Brien, one of the toughest mares he ever knew of and Harry has seen a lot of good ones. He said that when she was 22 years old she raced on the ice with Lee's Nightmare 2:09 1/2 and others equally as good over the frozen surface and give them a real race. She was by Plectwood and he is the sire of the granddams of New Look 2:11, Dean Swift 2:14 1/2, May Harvester 2:15 1/2 and others, so scanning Doctor J. A.'s pedigree as closely as we can there doesn't appear to be any flaws in it and Del McTavish, who is one of the best stablemen in Canada, will not doubt be leading the parade on many occasions at Saratoga, Yonkers and other night racing plants with Doctor J. A. Del has three trotters in his stable that can do 2:06 over the fast half-mile tracks. One of the best of these is Roy S., that has trotted in 2:04 1/2 over the smaller oval. He is a highclass trainer and a great friend of Rankin McLaine of this city, and other Island horsemen.

Harking back to the big prices paid for Maritime owned horses we can recall the greatest of them all — Bill Sharen—called by the Americans the "Bull of the Woods". He was sired by Captain Aubrey 2:07 1/2 and his dam was a tall, inky mare named Narrowway W. that had a record around 2:20. She was a tough mare and the writer remembers racing against her with The Rexall Girl after Hammond Kelly had been injured in an accident at Halifax. I believe she was the eventual winner. Her foot was named after her driver, Bill Sharen, and was given all his early lessons and training by Bill. As a four-year-old in 1919 he won all his starts and took a record of 2:16 1/2 at Fredericton. That fall he was sold to Archie Alchom of Milltown, N.B., who placed him in the hands of Peter Carroll, Halifax. In his 1920 campaign he was sensational. The mid-summer race meet at Fredericton was one that brought the best trotters and pacers in the Maritimes and Maine together and that three-day meeting was considered as the greatest ever held in Lower Canada and it closed with more record-breaking than any other mid-summer meeting.

The pacer Peter Farren, owned in Saint John, was at his best and won the \$1,000 Free For All with his fastest heat in 2:08 1/2. In the Free For All Trot raced on the third day, Brage, driven by Frank Boutiller, won the first heat in 2:11 1/2 — a new Maritime trotting record. Bill Sharen won the next heat in 2:14 — another new Maritime trotting record — and he won the next two heats in 2:11 1/2, 2:12 1/2. He won steadily throughout the season, beating fast trotters and pacers alike, and at Charlottetown he won the 2:16 trot on the opening day and the Free For All Trot on October 1st in 2:13 1/2, 2:13 1/2. The track was very

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Unique Finish As Atlantics Win 4-3 From Millionaires

SYDNEY, Jan. 23 (CP)—League-leading Halifax Atlantics of the Maritime Major Hockey League downed Sydney Millionaires 4-3 tonight in one of the most unique finishes in hockey.

Late in the third period Sydney's fiery winger, Johnny Morrow, rtd Doug McPhee were in the penalty box. Morrow was binned to replace Sydney goalie Nick Pidsodny who became involved in a high-sticking duel with McPhee at 13:12. The score stood 3-3 at 15:10 when Morrow was tagged an extra two minutes for leaving the penalty box too soon.

Before he completed serving the extra penalty, Muckle Hollett set up Billy Watson with the winning marker to break the deadlock. The game was played at a fast tempo and Sydney at times flashed some of their best power of the season. The teams went 1-1 the first period, 2-2 in the second, and Halifax had a 3-2 lead early in the third when Sydney cashed in on a penalty to Hughie Campbell to tie it up.

Besides Watson the Halifax scorers were playing-coach Dugger McNeil, Don (Peanuts) MacLaughlin and Bob Bowness. Ronnie Rowe was the big gun for Sydney, firing their first two goals and setting up Dunc MacIntyre with the final. Halifax outshot Sydney 21-15 in the first two periods and they matched seven each in the last frame. There were only six penalties, three each, but they figured in three goals.

Lineups: Halifax — Goal, McMeekin; defence, Bloom, Hayes, Lepine, McLaughlin; forwards, Watson, Campbell, Holt, Good, King, Bowness, McPhee, McNeil, Berton. Sydney — Goal, Pidsodny; defence, Weaver, MacIntyre, Whalen, Marineau; forwards, Birukow, Pirie, Hildebrand, Robertson, Rowe, McDonagh, Morrow, Horeck, Hill.

SUMMARY First Period 1—Halifax, McLaughlin 6:28 2—Sydney, Rowe (Marineau, MacIntyre) 16:22 Penalties — None. Second Period 3—Sydney, Rowe (Robertson, McDonagh) 3:16 4—Halifax, McNeil (Gergeon, Bloom) 16:08 Penalties — Robertson 12:43. Third Period 5—Halifax, Bowness 5:52 6—Sydney, MacIntyre (Rowe, Robertson) 9:30 7—Halifax, Watson (Hollett) 16:21

heavy and it was considered a wonderful performance. He also won the Free For All Trot and Pace, purse \$1,000, the next week at Woodstock, heading such redoubtable pacers as Lady Grattan, Fern Hal and the state of Maine pacer Zom Q. Time, 2:11 1/2, 2:12, 2:12 1/2. Negotiations were then started by Tommy Murphy, who was king of the Grand Circuit, and Bill was eventually sold to him for \$25,000 in American money, which was equal to \$27,500 Canadian money. Tommy Murphy staked Bill all through the Grand Circuit for 1921 but he met his match there in Peter the Brewer 4, 2:02 1/2 (sire of Calumet Budlong 2:02 1/2). There were several great duels between these two horses and wins were often by a neck. Bill took a record of 2:04 1/2. Towards the end of the season he showed signs of lameness. He was a horse with a terrific temper and the only man in the Maritimes who could handle him after he left Bill Sharen's stable was Peter Carroll. Signs were put up on his stall warning people not to go near it. Bill could both bite and kick.

After being retired from the Grand Circuit and gelded he was brought back to racing form and won several events in the U.S.A. then came to the Maritimes, winning at Fredericton and other places prior to hitting Charlottetown where he was defeated by Fred Medium 2:11 1/2, owned by the writer. We were told that the only way to beat him was to try to take the pole from him and we can remember distinctly scoring away very fast on the outside and just managing to duck our head and get in front of Bill. We turned into the back stretch. However, Bill turned the tables on us at Halifax.

Other Maritime owned horses that sold for big money were the trotter Baring, sire of Bage, mentioned above. He was bred at Allen Farm and was developed by Frank Boutiller and sold to parties in Maine for \$5,000, June Morning by Calumet Budlong 2:02 1/2, that was raced here by George MacDonald, Mmald, sold to J. H. Dewitt of Woodstock, and by him to American parties for a price stated to be around \$5,000. She is the fastest Maritime bred pacing mare on record with a mile in 2:04 1/2 taken at Bridgewater, Maine, July 28, 1950, and of course there was Peach Butter 2:08 that was reputedly sold for \$5,000 by Harry Hirsch to parties in Quebec.

Our friend S. Thane Belyea writing from Fredericton has the following: "I have had several requests for calendars of Joey Harvester and Johnny Coproy. These requests came from readers of Down the Back Stretch. We tried to fill all the orders but we ran out of calendars and regretably could not do so. Here's some horse news... John E. Forbes has bought back Bevo's Orphan Annie 2:22 1/2 from Tom Etter, and she is in foal to Federal p. 2:01 1/2, t. 2:07 1/2. Mr. Forbes always liked this little mare and wants to have a foal from her. They had ice races at Gagetown last Saturday but I haven't seen any results of them. Wishing all your readers the best of health and the best of everything for 1953... Thanks, Thane.

Penalties — Bloom 1:31, Campbell 8:56, McPhee 13:12, Pidsodny 13:12, Morrow 15:13. Stops: McMeekin 4 11 7-22 Pidsodny 7 14 7-28

BOB GRAY

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Miners blueline, lost the puck for a moment and then regained to pass through the defense to the uncovered Gray. Bob was blocked on his first shot but made his second try count. The Islanders controlled the play for the next several minutes but were unable to get many shots on the Glace Bay net. When they did goalie Lockhart was equal to the task.

Defenseman Larry Travis, who played a very strong game, probably had the best scoring chance. Holdaway set him up with a goal-mouth pass but Larry missed the cage on his attempt. There was only a minute and forty-three seconds left when McCracken scored. The Miners hemmed the play in the Islanders end and Lloyd Hinchberger sent a pass across the ice to McCracken on the blueline. Bill took a stride and let go with a knee high shot.

Islanders defenseman and a Glace Bay forward were standing in front of the Islanders net and both went for the puck. The disc struck one of them and bounded into the net between Miller's pads. There were only two penalties called in the game, one to each team. They came in the first period.

Glace Bay — Goal, Lockhart; defence, Burega, Hinchberger, Amadio, Verrier; forwards, Cooper, Joss, Macey, Miller, Backer, Bonhomme, McCracken, Raynak, Keller. Charlottetown — Goal, Miller; defence, Gustavson, Brklacich, McLagan, Travis; forwards, Whitlock, Hurs, Holdaway, Gray, Gordon, Wiseman, Beaudry, Powers, Pawlshyn.

Re'ere, Charlie Goode; linesmen, Art Perry and Johnny Squarebriggs.

SUMMARY First Period Scoring — None.

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Penalties — Backer 5:49, Hurs 18:39.

Second Period 1—Charlottetown, Gray (Whitlock) 1:59 2—Charlottetown, Gray (Pawlshyn, McLagan) 19:12 Penalties — None.

Third Period 3—Charlottetown, Gray (Whitlock, Gustavson) 1:25 4—Glace Bay, McCracken (Hinchberger) 18:17 Penalties — None.

Stops: Lockhart 17 7 9-33 Miller 8 9 7-24

Midget Hockey This Morning

The following Midget hockey teams are asked to report to the Harbour Building for transportation to the Saint Dunstan's rink this morning. The players will report ready to go on the ice. Teams A and B will report at 8:45 a.m. and teams C and D, at 9:45 a.m.

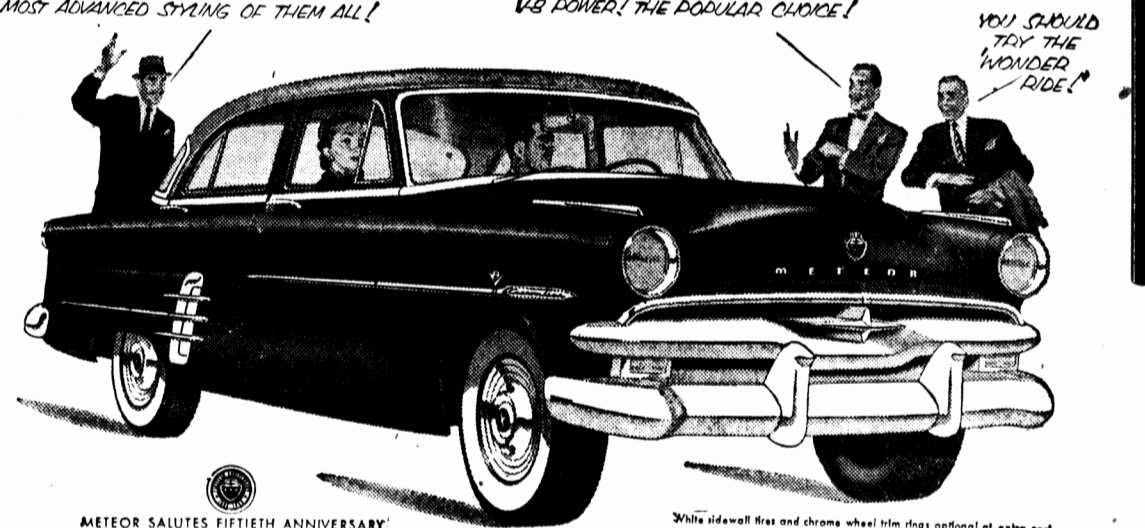
Team A—Ted Redmond, Tommy Davies, Jack Pound, George Dillon, John Kane, Donnie Whelan, Alan Crabbe, Richard Duff, Alan Gillis, Ronald Stanley, James Duffy. Team B—Robert Dillon, Donnie MacCallum, Robert Jay, Ernie Praught, Louis Curley, Roger Tanton, Rollie Lee, Joseph Longaphie, Vincent Griffin, Roy Thompson, Errol Nicholson, Merrill Pinneau. Team C—Donald LeClair, Erland Wood, Roy MacArthur, Jack

Brown, George Ward, Richard MacKay, Vern Handraham, Joseph Taylor, George MacDonald, Donald Richard, Joseph Arsenault. Team D—William Burke, Art Lidstone, Robert Harper, Kenneth Irving, Harry Simmonds, Willie Allen, Ronald Hughes, Barry Cudmore, Douglas Carmody, Harold Sentner, Francis Shepherd.

BASKETBALL GAME

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