

Feminine Sharpshooters Compete For Berths On Bisley Team



Mary MacLennan, Elsie Strong, Alma MacNab

These three charming sharpshooters are among the several members of the fair sex who are adding not only a dash of color, but also some stiff competition to the Dominion of Canada rifle meet now under way at Connaught ranges, Ottawa. They are, from left: Mary MacLennan, Alexandra S.; and Alma MacNab, Calgary, Alta. The 84th staging of the shoot has attracted some 600 competitors from across Canada who are vying for the coveted berths on the 1953 Bisley team.

Toronto Marksman Is Medal Winner; Local Man On Bisley Team

CONNAUGHT RIFLE RANGES, South March, Ont., Aug. 17 —(CP) Maj. Desmond Burke, 47-year-old Toronto marksman, won the coveted Governor-General's gold medal match Saturday at the 84th annual Dominion of Canada Rifle Association shoot.

The short, stocky Doctor posted a record score of 174 out of a possible 175 from the 300, 600 and 900 yard ranges in a drizzling rain to beat out 149 other marksmen who qualified to enter the match Thursday.

Recognized by many as the best shot Canada has ever had, Burke is the only rifleman ever to win both the King's prize at Bisley and the Governor-General's gold medal. In addition, he is the record holder of the King's medal here, having won it eight times in all.

Burke pumped 15 straight bullets into the target from 900 yards after posting one of the possible from 300 and 600 yards. His only inner came on his third shot from the 600-yard range.

In keeping with tradition, the happy champion was chaired and carried from the firing range as a heavy downpour started. An Ottawa army band led the way to the presentation stand where he was presented with the gold medal by Defence Minister Claxton.

Three other Canadians finished the match with 171s. They were Maj. H. C. Frick, Ottawa, Maj. A. J. P. Roberts, Montreal and S. Sgt. G. B. Kay of Hamilton, Ont. Maj. Frick scored a perfect 75 from the 900-yard range but dropped to four inners from 300 and 600 yards. S. Sgt. Kay, who scored the only perfect card from the 300 and 600, dropped to four inners from the longer range. Tr. Don Morten, Calgary, and Capt. M. M. Organ, Winnipeg and Kingston, Ont., each finished with 170.

Three marksmen tied with scores of 169 and three with 168. Posting 169 were Cpl. F. Jermy, Longue Point, Que., Maj. R. D. McLeod, Toronto, and Maj. G. A. MacDonald, Charlottetown. Tied with 168 were Lieut. James Bon, Toronto, Miss Elsie Strong, Newport, N. S., and Cpl. D. R. Clarke, Shannon Park, N. S.

The match also had a lot to do with deciding who will represent Canada at Bisley next year. Scores in the Governor-General's match are added to the scores posted in the Grand Aggregate and from this comes Canada's Bisley team.

Maj. Burke also led the field in the Bisley aggregate. He was qualified for the Bisley team on 17 other occasions but has only made the trip as a shooting member on nine occasions because of pressure of business.

Burke posted a combined score of 824 of a possible 850 to lead the field. Sgt. C. C. Wilson of Ottawa placed second with 821 and Sgt. E. R. Jamieson of Vancouver was third with 820.

Local Marksman Qualifies

Other riflemen who qualified for Bisley next year are: Maj. J. W. Houlden, Winnipeg, 819; Maj. R. W. Hampton, Ottawa and Camp Bor-den, Ont., 819; WO.2 E. L. Warner, Sherbrooke, Que., 818; Capt. Morgan, 817; Lieut. James Bon, 816; Sgt. T. Woods, Barryfield, Ont., 816; Capt. W. J. Newell, Fort Gary, Man., 815; Maj. A. M. T. Spittal, Victoria, 815; Maj. G. C. Baker, Kentville, N. S., 815; Sgt. G. H. Emperingham, Montreal, 815; S. Sgt. Kay, 815; Maj. MacDonald, 814; Alban S. Emery, Saint John, N. B., 813; Sgt. W. E. Hicks, Edmonton, 813; and Lt.-Col. Steve Johnson, Calgary, 813.

Sgt. G. E. Lawrence of Sackville, N. B., captured the Alexander of Tunis match by posting the only perfect score of 50 from 1,000 yards. Maj. S. E. Johnson of the British rifle team was second with 49, and R. H. Thomson of Toronto posted a similar score but was given third standing because of poorer placings on the target.

Another member of the British rifle team, Lieut. Kenneth Wheeler won the challenge cup for posting the highest score in the Gow-ski aggregate which includes the 900-range in the City of Ottawa match and the Alexander of Tunis match.

Lieut. Wheeler scored 49 of a possible 50 in each match, to beat out four other riflemen with scores of 47. They were Sgt. G. E. Lawrence; A. S. Emery, Saint John, N. B.; Sgt. E. R. Jamieson, Vancouver, and Officer Cadet L. H. Bracken, Brockville, Ont.

Local Mixed Doubles Tennis Title Decided

The Mixed Doubles championship was decided at the Charlottetown courts on Saturday when Ned Wran and Helen Larter teamed up to win the event. Early in the afternoon they eliminated Ivan Dowling and Wanda MacMillan by the scores 8-6, 5-7, 6-4. Later in the day they won the finals taking two sets 6-4, 6-2 from Carl Bradley and Elizabeth Willet.

Also on Saturday a semi-final match was played in the Men's Doubles. P. Kays and D. George bowed out to J. Johnston and W. Cullen 3-6, 6-4, 9-7, 6-1. On Sunday, Johnston and Cullen met I. Dowling and P. Jardine in the finals but the event was rained out during play and the entire match will be replayed next Saturday afternoon.

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Len O'Meara Winner Of Driving Trophy

Len O'Meara, 30-year-old horse racing driver from Alberton this year won the British Consols Trophy donated annually by the Macdonald Tobacco Company to the leading driver during Old Home Week's racing program.

O'Meara piled up a total of 77 points in winning the coveted award. His nearest competitor was Worrell Lewis of Glace Bay with 63 points. Willard Kelly of Southport was third with 50; James McGregor of Charlottetown was fourth with 44; and Claude O'Brien of Charlottetown and Alberton fifth with 33.

The trophy was presented to O'Meara Saturday night by Mr. H. J. Kennedy, Manager of the Exhibition Association. O'Meara has been driving horses on tracks throughout the Maritimes and Maine for the past ten years. He first became associated with the game when he cared horses for Joe O'Brien as a youngster.

Len's first major success as a horseman came when he gave George Gregory's Wait N'See a record of 2:11 1-5 as a pacer. He later turned him over into a trotter and gave him a similar mark.

O'Meara accomplished an unusual feat this year when he won the British Consols Trophy by driving only horses out of his own barn. O'Meara has 12 horses in his stable and drove 10 of them last week to gain his 77 points.

His showing last week climaxed a great year's driving. This season he took over such horses as Babe Britton, Billy McVey, Rodalie Hooper, Esso and Bellhop B. and all of them have been exceptionally successful on the track.

Two Race Horses Change Owners

Two well known race horses changed owners here over the week-end. Rajah Hanover (2:14) was purchased by Myron Bell of Charlottetown and Dick Erla (2:04 3/5) was bought by Andrew Perry of Summerside.

Rajah Hanover, who won the first dash here Saturday night, is a six-year-old trotter who was owned by Archie Shore of Sydney. Dick Erla was owned by Norman Acker of Saint Stephen, N. B.

Series May Open Here Wednesday

The Intermediate Abbies-M.C.A. baseball series to decide a Charlottetown winner will probably commence here this Wednesday evening. The Abbies will hold a practise this evening at 5:30 on Memorial Field.

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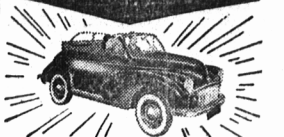
Little League Ball Practises

Little League baseball practises will commence this morning, it was announced here last night by Art Perry. Practises will commence at ten o'clock and will be held on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

Probable Pitchers

NEW YORK, Aug. 17—(AP)—Probable pitchers for tomorrow's Major League games: (won and lost records in parentheses): AMERICAN LEAGUE New York at Boston—Raschi (13-3) vs Brodowski (5-4) only game scheduled. NATIONAL LEAGUE Pittsburgh at Chicago—Dickson (11-16) vs Lown (4-8) only game scheduled.

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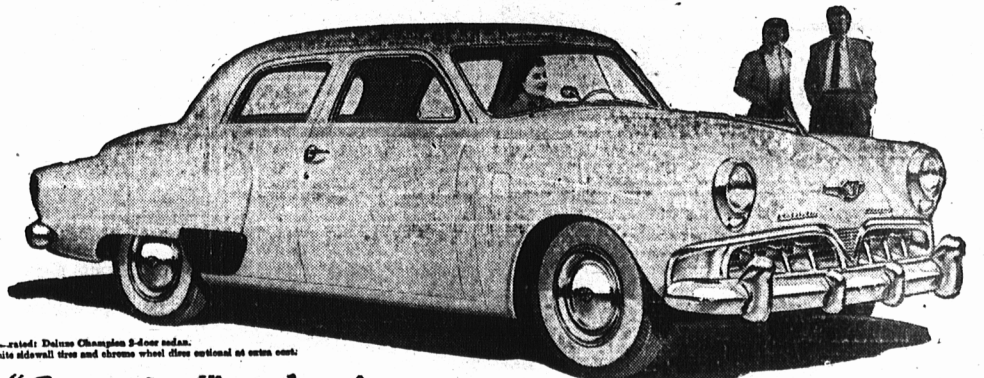
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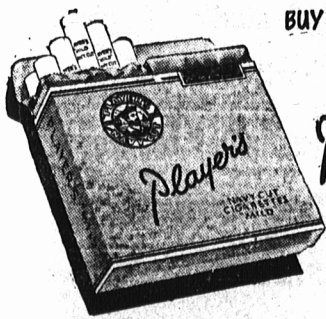
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