

DOWN THE BACK STRETCH



A short letter from Vern Oatway, Montreal, has the following: "Palacoona did it again last night, lowered his mark by almost a second from 2.08 3-5 to 2.07 4-5, which is the second time he has lowered it this year."

A scorecard is enclosed for the night of May 25 at Richelieu Raceway, and the purse raced for was \$1,000. Our congratulations to owners Willis and Henderson on Palacoona's most recent achievement.

Palacoona was sired by Russell Hanover, 4, 2.08%, whose sire was Mr. McElwya 1.56%, dam Isonta, 3, 2.10%. A noted authority predicted that when Russell Hanover was brought here, that if given the opportunity of crossing with well-bred mares, he would be a top sire.

Friends of Palacoona will remember his first appearance in the Two-Year-Old Trot of the P. E. I. Futurities on September 12, 1956. Here is the summary: Palacoona (Elmer Newson) 1-1, Lady Lakeburn 2-2, Miss Cyclonic 3-3, Make Time 4-4, Little Johnny 5-5, Annie Rooney 6-6, time 2:19 4-5 and 2:23 4-5. The former was a record for a Maritime-bred two-year-old trotter at that time.

HARRY LYDIARD

Dr. L. Roy Johnston, Greenfield, Mass., has written us a letter regarding the story of the famous Maritime driver, Harry Lydiard, who was born in this province and later became one of the great drivers of the Maritimes, and also raced in the United States with great success.

The Doctor went to a great deal of trouble going through record books and yearbooks to compile the data for the story, which appeared in the special issue of the Guardian, which appeared on Tuesday, May 19, entitled: "P.E.I. Horseman Becomes Legend on Grand Circuit."

Dr. Johnston, a former Islander, is a keen follower of the harness racing game, and is extremely well versed in the early history of the game in the Maritimes.

Dow Clowater writes us more news concerning the win of the Woodstock-bred pacer, Peppy Hal, by N. D. Hal 2:05, at Lewiston, Maine, last week. He writes: "At Lewiston, Maine, Peppy Hal swept both heats of a \$1,200 stake event in 2:06 1-5 and 2:06 2-5, which clipped one and two-fifths seconds off his former mark and makes him the fastest performer of N.D. Hal. He replaces Hal's Man 1:07 2-5, for this honor."

"It is also quite likely that Peppy Hal, owned by Walter Davis of Houlton, will become the first 2:05 performer for N.D. Hal. I look for Peppy Hal to go in 2:05 at Gorham Maine. In his first race at Lewiston, he went the first half of the first dash in 1:02 and a fraction, and came home in 1:04. The second dash he went to the half in 1:04 and came the last half in 1:02 and a fraction."

"He is being trained and driven this season by Francis Inman."

At Stockholm, Sweden, on Sunday May 24, the trotter Jamn, with Jean Riud in the sulky, won Sweden's biggest trotting race, the "Elliöppet" with the time of 1:21 1-3. The French wonder trotter will race at Roosevelt Raceway, New York, this summer in the \$50,000 international event.

O'BRIEN THIRD At Yonkers Raceway last Saturday night, the feature event, a \$6,000 pace, was won by Canny Scot, driven by Stanley Dancer. Hundred Proof (Edmunds) was second, and Adios Express (Joe O'Brien) was third.

Canny Scot only won by a head over Hundred Proof, with Joe a close third.

Stanley Dancer is leading driver at Yonkers; in 182 starts, he has 46 firsts, 32 seconds and 23 thirds. Billy Haughton has made 254 starts, with 33 firsts, 36 seconds and 43 thirds. George Phelan of New Hampshire with 142 starts, was 20 times first, 25 times second and 18 times third.

Our readers, no doubt, will be wondering, like ourselves, what Billy Haughton's total number of drives will be for the season. Last year Haughton made 833 starts, was 176 times first, 109 times second and 133 times third, and won — (hold your breath) — \$915,859.

Our friend Vern Oatway has sent us a program for the race-

es at Richelieu Park last Tuesday night. The big feature was the Metropolitan Trot, which was raced in two divisions with a purse of \$5,050 for each division.

The winner of the first division was Selka Song 2:04 3-5, driven by the Ontario driver, Harold MacKinley. Homestead Dan 2:06, driven by Jack Gordon, was second, with the mile in 2:03, which cut one and three-fifths seconds off Selka Song's record. Sh-Boom owned by the Clearview Stables of Winthrop, Maine, and driven by Earl Avery, was third.

An even faster performance was featured in the second division of the Metropolitan Stake, which was raced the same evening. The winner was Camas B., that took a record of 2:01 1-5 this season and was driven by Jimmy Dennis. Second place was taken by Mr. Baldrige 2:02 1-5, driven by Philip Dussault. The mile was in 2:02 2-5, which means that Richelieu track is one of the fastest half-mile ovals in America.

Many will remember the good little trotter, New Idea, that was bred here and raced over our tracks a few years ago. He finished third in the "C" Trot, purse \$1,000, on the above program. The time was 2:07 4-5.

A friend of the writer called up to inform us that Speedy Pick won the feature event at the Yonkers Raceway Thursday night in 1:59 3-5. Last year, as a five-year-old, he was one of the top winners on the half-mile oval, where he took his record of 1:58 4-5, and his winnings at the end of the season were \$151,620.

OPENING NIGHT Tonight's opening race meet at the Charlottetown Driving Park should attract a large attendance, based on the interest that many people have been taking in watching the workouts. The program is a good one, and we expect to see several surprise wins.

The most active driver will be Emmett (Coyboy) Bernard, who will be driving in six of the eight dashes. Emmett will be getting ready for the fray with slow miles around 6:30 p.m., and from then until the close of the program, he will be hopping on and off his sulky, keeping a line on the supervision of the harnessing, etc., and lastly, but most important, using all his skill to bring home a winner.

One thing about Emmett that other drivers like is that he is a good, safe driver and obeys all the rules.

A new man—Ed Downe—will be officiating as starter. He is no tyro, having been driver of the gate for several years, also driver and trainer of race horses and well versed in the rules. We are confident that Mr. Downe will see that every driver places his horse in his allotted position, and that the getaway will be carried out properly.

And now we must pay a tribute to H. J. Kennedy, whose keen interest in the Provincial Exhibition Association led to his interesting prominent citizens and stock-owners in this province to purchase the large block of shares which the writer held in the Charlottetown Driving Park.

Ever since, he has given unstintingly of his time and energy to increase the activities of the Association, and to see that the best of facilities are available to the horsemen. As an instance of that, the local plant is now providing housing for approximately 175 trotters and pacers, which, we understand, is a record for a track in the Maritimes.

This spring, he decided that the racetrack had to have a complete re-sodding job, and he went to a great deal of trouble to secure the right type of soil for the purpose, and he succeeded. The result is, that instead of blowing off, it stays firm on the ground but it has to have frequent watering to accomplish that.

The Association is fortunate in having a competent staff, who take as much care of the property and track as if they were owners.

In writing the above, we are echoing the sentiments of the owners, trainers, and drivers, who will be participating in the racing activities at the track this season.

Yankees Whip Baltimore; Detroit Downs White Sox

Casey Stengel shok up his line-up, sent Whitey Ford to the mound and the combination of these moves enabled his New York Yankees to whip the Baltimore Orioles—6-2 Friday.

Bill Stovron drove in three of the Yankee runs with a single and a sacrifice fly to ease the burden for Ford, who settled down after a shaky start to turn in his fifth victory against three defeats.

Ernie Johnson, former Milwaukee relief pitcher, made his first major league start since May 19, 1955, but was removed for a pinch hitter after pitching one inning. Billy O'Dell relieved him, and was charged with the loss. Hector Lopez, recently acquired in a deal with Kansas City, took

over third base for the Yankees in Stengel's shakeup, and contributed a single and double Gene Woodling homered for Baltimore. PRESIDENT LOOKS ON

President Eisenhower saw Hal Naragon's bases-loaded single in the last of the ninth give Washington a 7-6 victory over Boston Red Sox, and he also saw Harmon Killebrew hit his 17th home run.

Pedro Ramos was credited with the victory although he served a three-run homer to Jackie Jensen in the top of the ninth. Murray Wall, Boston's fourth reliever, was the victim of Naragon's winning blow. Naragon came to Washington from Cleveland in a deal only four days ago.

A nifty five-hit performance by southpaw Don Mossi and some stout hitting by Al Kellie and

Lou Berberet gave Detroit Tigers a 4-1 victory over Chicago White Sox. Kellie hit his 10th home run as one of his three hits, and Berberet also hit for the circuit.

Bob Shaw suffered his first loss after four victories. The victory gave Mossi, who held the Sox hitless during a six-inning mid-game stretch, a 3-2 record.

Cleveland Indians and Kansas City Athletics were not scheduled. All National League games were scheduled at night.

MILWAUKEE (AP)—Joe Adcock spoiled an intentional pass and drove home Henry Aaron who had tripled to break a tie in the ninth inning to give Milwaukee Braves a 6-5 victory Friday night over Philadelphia Phillies.

Adcock, swinging at a wide pitch hit a bouncer to second baseman George Anderson whose throw to the plate was too late to catch Aaron as he slid across with the winning run.

Gene Conley was the loser after giving up 15 hits, one a home run

by Adcock that scored two runs. Aaron had a single, a double and the triple.

The Braves used three pitchers against the Phillies. Don Mahon, who pitched the last two innings got credit for his second victory without a defeat.

Argos Claim Hal Ledyard

TORONTO (CP)—Toronto Argonauts Friday claimed Hal Ledyard on waivers from Ottawa Rough Riders as quarterback insurance in case Ronnie Knox flops or is injured this season in the Big Four football league.

Ledyard, with Ottawa, for three years after playing football at University of Chattanooga, comes to Argonauts for the import waiver price of \$750 unless the Rough Riders exercise their right to recall their waiver within the required 24 hours.

Starters With Positions For Saturday, May 30th., 1959.

1st. Dash 8.00 P.M.

TROT—2 AT \$150.00 EACH—NOS. 3-7—DAILY DOUBLE
1—Nakomis Belle; 2—Tara Boy; 3—Bernie Dan; 4—The Shelt; 5—Tommy Shanter; 6—New Forest.

PACE—3 DASHES AT \$200.00 EACH—NOS. 4-8
1—Pixie Abbe; 2—McGee Volo; 3—Mr. Rock; 4—Myrtle M.; 5—Perfect Hal.

PACE—2 AT 150.00 EACH—NOS. 2-6—DAILY DOUBLE
1—Ken's Pride; 2—Neil's Lad; 3—Vera Signal; 4—Canada; 5—Jolly Mark; 6—Callie Hal; 7—J. W. Abbe; 8—Willard's Choice.

PACE—2 AT \$125.00 EACH—NOS. 1-5
1—Christie's Best; 2—Hasty Road; 3—Curtain Raiser; 4—Miss Cyclonic; 5—Ida's Boy; 6—Miss Harvester; 7—Captain Clegg; 8—Lily's Pointer. Also eligible—Nellie Bangs.

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Golf Action Here Today

There will be plenty of action at Charlottetown Golf Club over the weekend with the first stage of the president's match holding the spotlight.

Play in this will get underway at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Originally this match was played in three stages, but this season it has been extended to four.

Dates of play in the second, third and final stages have been fixed for June 27, July 25 and August 29.

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PREPARATION

The RCMP jumping team ceremonial parade before the precision jumping in Governor-General and the public preparation for Sunday's RCMP here. It will be one of the big

Machen-Johansson Suit Comes To Trial Monday

NEW YORK (AP)—Eddie Machen's suit to prevent Sweden's Ingemar Johansson from fighting world heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson will go to trial here. It will be one of the big

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

JUST ABOUT as nice a thing as has happened this year in the majors occurred Thursday afternoon when Pittsburgh's Bob Friend beat the Milwaukee Braves.

Other moundmen have halted the defending league champions this season but Bob Friend wasn't one of them. In fact, Bob was able to beat no one in 1959 before he blanked the Heynems 3-0 Thursday afternoon.

FRIEND WAS a 22-game winner in 1958 but this season every attempt he had made at winning a ball game was unsuccessful until Thursday. Seven defeats had been chalked up against him before he threw that four-hitter at the Braves.

We have no great beef against Milwaukee, other than we would like to see a new champion crowned this season in the National League. However, as we listened to the game Thursday we were all for Friend beating the reigning champions. He had to get that first win one of these days and it did seem so much nicer coming as a blanking of those heavy hitting Braves.

Game after ball game. Nobody likes to see a great hurler suddenly turn into a consistent loser. That's what Friend was doing until he met those tough guys from Milwaukee on Thursday afternoon.

The win should make Bob feel like a new man. With that victory under his belt, perhaps he can become just as consistent in winning as he had been in losing.

If Friend can do this, then these Pirates are far from through in this pennant race in the senior loop.

AND DID we say something about those heavy hitting Braves? They have a lot of power on their lineup but that power certainly wasn't showing itself to any great degree in that three-game series with Pittsburgh.

It's true the Braves won two out of three games in the set but just take a look at how they accomplished the feat. Tuesday night they couldn't even get a runner on base for twelve innings as Harvey Haddix made baseball history. Yet the Braves won the game in the 13th with one hit, their only safety of the night.

Wednesday they edged the Bucs 4-3, garnering nine base knocks. Thursday Friend held them to four harmless safeties. That makes 14 hits in 30 innings with the Pirates.

That's anything but impressive. Especially when you consider that the Braves have such rugged gentlemen as Aaron, Covington, Bruton, Mathews, Crandall and Logan on their lineup.

It would appear that these power hitters can be subdued just the same as anybody else.

BRAVES' OPPONENTS in last year's world series, the New York Yankees, are showing even less power in their bats than are the Milwaukee boys.

They beat Boston Red Sox in a two game series at the Stadium and were mighty lucky to break even. The Bostonians climbed all over the Bombers in the opener 13-2. In that tilt the Yankees managed seven hits. In the second which they won 3-2, they got only four. Then along came that remarkable fellow Hoyt Wilhelm who draws his pay cheque from Baltimore Orioles. Last week Hoyt beat the Yankees 5-0 on a one-hitter. That was in Baltimore. Thursday night in New York Stadium Hoyt proved his feat of last week was certainly no fluke. He beat the Yankees again 5-0, this time with a four hitter.

That meant that in three games (two with Boston and one with the Orioles), the Stengels collected the huge total of 15 hits. That definitely doesn't make anyone believe that the Bombers can bomb anymore.

Time was when fifteen hits were pretty small stuff for the Yankees in one game. Now it takes them three to collect such an amount.

How things have changed. EFFORTS to form an intermediate baseball team in Charlottetown didn't meet with too much success.

A meeting was called for Thursday evening but only seven showed up. Those who called the session certainly weren't encouraged by the turnout. However they are calling a practice session for Monday evening at Memorial Field at 6 o'clock. If sufficient numbers are not present for this workout, chances are the whole idea will be tossed out.

Sackville and Amherst are interested in exhibition games with a Charlottetown intermediate team. If this proposed local team comes into existence, they would be engaging in battles with these mainlanders.

Anyway, Monday night will tell the story in regard to intermediate ball in Charlottetown.

BRIAN LEWIS is going to take his Junior Legionaires to Summerside next Saturday afternoon to battle the western lads in the first junior tilt of the 1959 season.

Lewis has been working his boys hard these past few weeks and they should be in top shape for this exhibition encounter. If Memorial Field is available these same two teams will play a return game here on Sunday, June 7.

The Abbies are working just as hard as the Legionaires and they should be ready for battle in a very short time. Many of their players haven't the experience of the Legion crew but they should be a battling little outfit.

Perhaps some evening next week these two local junior teams would get together at Memorial Field to get the season underway.

WHEN ARE these Baltimore Orioles going to stop this nonsense in the American League.

Most folks though the antics of Paul Richards' boys were in the line of short duration but the Birds have kept the fun going longer than anyone ever expected.

Perhaps the Orioles aren't fooling. Perhaps they are dead serious about their business and may be they have their eyes fixed on the league pennant.

Right now they are tough customers to handle. All teams have found that out.

Keep it up Baltimore.

Johansson and his attorney, Justin Golenbock, and Machen's manager, Sid Flaherty, and attorney, Jack Hart, met in the judge's chambers.

The Swedish fighter is scheduled to meet Patterson at Yankee Stadium, June 25.

KEY FIGHT

Machen, of Redding, Calif., was knocked out in the first round by Johansson at Goleborg Sweden, last Sept. 14. That victory made Johansson the No. 1 contender and enabled him to get the title shot.

Machen and Flaherty claim that Johansson agreed to a return bout and that the Swede had agreed not to fight anyone before meeting Machen again.

Johansson said he did not sign any return bout contract. He said that was done by Edwin Ahlquist, his advisor.

Ahlquist, who promoted the Machen-Johansson fight, said he is not Johansson's manager and said further that he signed a contract for a return bout "under duress."

Johansson flew to New York from his camp at Grossinger, N.Y., and returned Friday afternoon to resume training.

Patterson Drops Sparring Mate

CHATHAM, N.J. (AP)—Heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson dropped one of his sparring partners again Friday as he went through another strenuous workout in muggy weather.

Billy Tidale, floored by a right to the jaw Thursday, went down from a thumping left hook to the ribs. This happened in his second round with the champ.

Patterson slugged it out with husky Solomon McTier of Montgomery, Ala., in the last two rounds of his drills. McTier, a 202-pounder, connected with both hands to Patterson's head but took plenty in return.

The champ defends his crown against Sweden's Ingemar Johansson at Yankee Stadium, June 25.

Lady Golfers Start Play

Lady golfers at Charlottetown Golf Club got their first taste of competition on Thursday when eighteen entries participated in the team match.

On Monday June 1, the first stage of the lady president's match will be played. The two other stages will be run off at later dates.

Garrison To Hold Practice Tonight

Garrison softball team will hold a practice this evening at the Old Diamond at 6 o'clock.

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Harness Racing Opens Tonight

All the waiting is at an end. The racing public that had to be content to just talk "horse" since last September has the real thing ready for tonight.

Yes, the 1959 harness racing season swings into action at Charlottetown Driving Park tonight with eight good dashes ready to be served up to the race-hungry fans.

Every one of the eight dashes looks tough to pick. There should be the keenest of competition all through the night as the horses

make their initial performance before the public.

There will be six dashes featuring pacers, with the other two showing six pretty fair trotters. Dashes three and seven will bring together Nakomis Belle, Tara Boy, Bernie Dan, The Sheik, Tommy Shanter and New Forest.

These trot dashes should give all six pacing dashes plenty of competition for the biggest thrills of the night.

First dash goes at 8 o'clock.

BASEBALL RESULTS

National League	Phil	Milwaukee	Conley 2-2	Sawatski; Willey, Pizarro (7), McMahon 2-0 (8) and Crandall. HR: Phila, Bouchie (4), Mil-Adcock (4).
Detroit	000 200 020-4 9 0	010 000 000-1 5 2	Moss 3-2 and Berberet; Shaw, 4-1 Arias (8) and Lollar. HR: Det-Kaline (10), Berberet (6).	Baltimore 101 000 000-2 8 1
New York	200 021 000-5 8 1	Johnston, O'Dell 2-4 and Ginsberg; Ford 5-3 and Berra. HR: Bal-Woodling (4).	Boston 100 000 113-6 11 0	Washington 202 010 101-7 14 1
Monbouquette, Hoelt (4) Kiely (7) Wall 1-3 (8) and Daley; Fischer, Clevenger (8) Hyde (8)				

Stobbs (9) Ramos 5-5 (9) and Naragon. HR: Bos-Jensen (11), Wash-Killebrew (17) Lemon (12).

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PROBABLE PITCHERS

NEW YORK (AP)— Probable pitchers for today's major league games (won and lost records in parentheses):

American League
Kansas City at Cleveland (2-3) Kutch (0-1) and Coleman (0-3) vs Score (5-2) and McEish (5-1).

Detroit at Chicago (2)—Lary (5-3) and Bunning (5-3) vs Pierce (5-4) and Donovan (2-3).

Baltimore at Boston (2)—Papas (4-2) and Walker (4-0) vs Brewer (3-3) and Wills (0-0).

New York at Washington (2)—Larsen (4-0) and Dittmar (1-4) vs Grise (2-2) and Kemmerer (4