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Charlottetown and Queens County

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'Venky or Parata' Is Claim For Dance

"Prince Edward Island is still the 'Kentucky of Canada,'" Frank (Duck) Acorn said in an address before the Rotary Club at the weekly luncheon meeting at the Charlottetown Hotel yesterday.

"More race horses are bred and retained here than in any other province in Canada," he said.

Referring to the inherent instinct of Islanders to breed a good horse race and admire the recognized points of breeding and training, Mr. Acorn said that every major horse racing race was "See" and not to "Be."

The speaker gave a highly interesting description of the work entailed on race night to bring the different class of horses to a racing pitch, which included jugging and springing over a prescribed distance with two or three bath periods and walking under blankets. Hours of preparation are necessary in bringing the horses to racing trim each time they perform.

The speaker paid tribute to the outstanding work done by Col. D. A. MacKinnon in boosting the heritage of horsemanship and racing here when great crowds attended Old Home Week events to see the 2.0.

"Recent races in Halifax and elsewhere in the Maritime circle have stepped up the appeal for faster races which require bigger purses and larger crowds in attendance to make possible," Mr. Acorn stated.

"DRIVE TO WIN"

Although a positive rule of the Traffic Association is that contestants must "Drive to win," it is difficult, if not impossible to prove that this is not done. The speaker described in detail the action taken by drivers governed by position. Slow miles are difficult when one considers the drive is 44 feet farther on the outside side of the track if that position is held over the distance.

Track conditions vary in the circuit with Halifax and Fredericton showing variations which certain horses may like. We have 20 horses training at our local track and one may well imagine the pounding it takes in the hundreds of miles travelled. The same element and condition of track has much to do with racing," Mr. Acorn stated.

"Good horses and good entertainment can be brought here when large attendance and high winners are in prospect," the speaker concluded. A picture on the subject of the Traffic Association, showing the \$130,000 Hambletonian race where 13 fans were killed had 2,064 race fans on their toes for a hectic five minutes.

2 Found Guilty On Assault Count

Stanford Carson and Merrill Brown, charged with assaulting Morris A. Coody, Kelly's cross, were found guilty as charged and fined \$55 and costs in two days and \$20 and costs in five days respectively in city police court yesterday.

Of four drunk and incapable, two were fined \$20 and costs or 10 days, another was given a 20 day suspended sentence, and a fourth was given a ten day suspended sentence.

New Aircraft Due In Sept.

Arthur Clark, secretary treasurer of Maritime Central Airways Ltd. said yesterday that two Handley Page Darts Herald purchased for operation by CAA are due to arrive from England next month.

Mr. Clark said the transfer to one of either of the Dart Herald already operated by Nordair Ltd. in Ontario is not immediately foreseen. Nordair is to suspend its Windsor, Sarnia, Hamilton, Toronto, Kingston and Montreal route on August 15 because the route has been losing money.

"Any transfer of aircraft would be an operational problem to be worked out later," Mr. Clark said.

Irishtown Lady Dies In Moncton

KENSINGTON — Mrs. Kenneth MacLeod, Irishtown, passed away suddenly last Tuesday while visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Adams, Moncton, earlier this year. She had been a patient for several weeks in Prince County Hospital receiving treatment for a heart ailment and had made a favorable recovery after returning to her home.

Mrs. MacLeod is the former Helen McNeil of Indian River and is survived by her husband and one son, and four daughters. John at Irishtown; Evelyn, Mrs. Charles Adams, Moncton; Louise, Mrs. Stuart Dennis, St. John's; and Mrs. Hildegard, South Burnaby, B.C. Her sons, Eileen Sharp, Summerside; and Lloyd James, Westport, are also survivors.

The funeral was held Friday from the Long River Presbyterian Church.

3 Jockeys Are Injured

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) Three jockeys were injured Monday in a spectacular fall shortly after the start of the second race as the Atlantic City race course opened its 80-day meeting.

Epic Dancer fell with Jockey Larry Gilligan and fell into the clubhouse tower in the 1-1/2-mile race, causing William Zakor and William Peak to be thrown from their mounts. Zakor was aboard Gateway Bay and Peak was riding Lady Arizona.

All three boys were sent to the hospital for x-rays and full examination. Gilligan suffered possible separation of the lower left leg, contusions, injury to his right ear and a possible strained neck.

Peak's right shoulder suffered a possible fractured shoulder and rib injuries. Zakor had possible wrist fracture and mouth injuries.

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Officer's Ancestors Were From Island

The 19th Army Band of Bangor will represent the United States and the State of Maine at Charlottetown, P.E.I., during the Canadian province's annual "Old Home Week" celebration.

"It may turn out to be the 'second' trip of the island at least for one of the Maine National Guardsmen who will be going along as project officer," Col. Lawrence B. Webster, assistant adjutant general, was named by Major General Edwin W. Hoywood, the adjutant general, to accompany the 30-man band.

It was discovered later that Webster's great-great-grandfather, John Webster, a commissary officer of the British Army, was a member of the first invasion force against the French in 1759, later became high sheriff of Prince Edward Island for 17 years and a member of parliament.

Col. Webster is a direct descendant of the first Webster to live on P.E.I. and it will also be his first trip to his ancestors' native land.

Arrangements for the band, commanded by Chief Warrant Officer Nathan Diamond of Bangor, to take part in the celebration and the "Gold Cup and Saucer" parade were made by Earle Banks, president of the Bangor Rotary Club and W. J. Hancock, vice-chairman of the celebration committee in Charlottetown, P.E.I. TO FLY HERE

The army military band will be flown from Dow AF Base in Bangor by a plane from Long Air Force Base. Col. George Budway, commander of Long AF Base, received authorization for the international flight from the Air Force after a request was made for transportation by General MacLeod.

All expenses of the band will be taken care of by the festival committee. A color guard from the 22nd Engineer Battalion of Bangor will also go along and will carry the national colors and state flag during the parade.

It is believed to be the first time any foreign military group has been asked to participate in Prince Edward Island's festival. Col. Webster said he was looking forward to the trip.

Dragge Prohibition Considered

Fisheries Minister Angus MacLean said last night that his department has under consideration a bill to prohibit the sale of liquor in areas where inshore fishermen have set their gear.

Some time ago Mr. McQuaid points out to the federal fisheries department that draggers were destroying gear of inshore fishermen in the Soudria area. Mr. McQuaid asked that the inshore area be declared "out of bounds" to draggers.

"It is a problem that takes quite a bit of consideration," said Mr. MacLean. "But I am sure that within a short time we will have a solution for it."

ABANDON SALVAGE

VANCOUVER (CP) — The \$2,000,000 wreck of G. MacKenzie, which suddenly overtook and sank while being towed, will be abandoned on the bottom of Queen Charlotte Sound because salvage operations would be too risky.

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ing forward to the help and to possibly meeting several of his relatives there.

The Maine National Guard officer said his ancestor, John Webster, who was born at Springfield, Maine, landed at Canoe Cove, and led the British troops to the entrance of Charlottetown Harbor where French forces, retreated on their approach and the British then constructed Fort Amherst there with Webster in charge until 1763.

He later married the widow of a sea captain and raised a family in Prince Edward Island. The Webster clan started their American side of the family when Col. Webster's grandfather, Benjamin Webster, Jr., ran away from home at the age of 14 and later settled in Leavittville, Maine.

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WALL COMES DOWN UNEXPECTEDLY

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8th Seige Battery Reunion Is Scheduled For Saturday

The annual reunion of the 8th Canadian Seige Battery (Happy Eight) will be held on Saturday, August 11. The members will meet at the drill hall at 1:30 p.m., move to the Cenotaph for a wreath-laying ceremony at 2 o'clock and then to Greogry's-Sea.

A business meeting will be held at Greogry's followed by afternoon refreshment and an evening banquet.

The 8th Seige Battery was re-raised in the Spring of 1916 with all 18 men making up the unit except four from New Brunswick and six from Nova Scotia. It was one of two island units that were recruited and served throughout the war with-

Accused Passed 3 Vehicles On Right Side, Court Told

The case of Adolphus MacDonald Winslow, charged with driving while intoxicated, was adjourned to Monday, Aug. 13, following evidence from the Crown and defence presented before Magistrate James B. Heston in Queen's County magistrate's court yesterday.

Constable Bishop, RCMP detachment Charlottetown, told the accused following his arrest on Malpeque Road while the latter was driving at an excessive speed and a partial disability due to alcohol on the right side.

The accused, testifying on his own behalf, maintained that he had only two drinks, which were not enough to affect his driving, and a partial disability due to a polio accounted for any appearance of unsteadiness or fumbling.

Valeria MacDonald, father of the accused, stated that when he arrested the accused following his arrest he appeared to be in normal condition and showed no evidence of drinking.

Lester O'Donnell is counsel for the accused.

Edward Barrett, pleading guilty to two breaks from Queen's County Jail, was remanded to the home of Harold Joseph MacKinnon, Goose River, charged with driving while intoxicated on the home of drinking. The case was rescheduled for Soudria on Aug. 8.

In traffic court one driver was fined five dollars or two days for not having a driver's license, and Lloyd James, Westport, was fined \$10 and costs or five days for speeding. Two others, one charged with failure to halt for a stop sign, and the other for not appearing for re-inspection, were each fined \$5 and costs or two days.

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WINS COMPETITION

OTTAWA (CP) — Wendell Hewitt-Walke, 47, secretary-treasurer of the Department of Veterans' Affairs Employees' National Association, has been named executive secretary of the Civil Service Federation of Canada. A Canada-wide competition was held for the position which Mr. Hewitt-Walke assumes Aug. 25. Mr. Hewitt-Walke is a vice-president of the federation.