

SPORTS FRONT

Two Schools In Race Game

By JIM CULLEN

Whenever horsemen get together, a topic that always arises, and usually produces a heated argument, is the possibility of raising local racing stock.

They consider it cheaper in the long run to attend the sales south of the border in the spring and fall and purchase yearlings that come from proven blood lines.

On the other side of the fence are those that think that if harness racing is to continue to advance here, that we must develop a breeding plan that will produce horses to do it.

In any event both schools of thought have been producing sufficient stock to keep racing competitive in the Maritimes. Local fans have a tendency to associate themselves with locally bred horses and it is interesting to note that over the last few years many fine colts, fillies locally bred have performed well on Maritime tracks.

In 1953 in New Brunswick a strain was started which has produced what horsemen call, "the toughest breed of horses ever raised locally." This was the year that Lakeburn was bred to Linda W. which produced the fastest three-year-old trotter in Maritime racing history, Lady Lakeburn (2:08.1).

As a racehorse, Lakeburn, did not have what you would call an impressive record throughout his racing career. He trotted to a mark of 2:12.2 as a five-year-old in Charlottetown in 1955.

The proof of any sire is in its breeding and Lakeburn's pedigree leaves little to be desired. Of significant importance is the fact that Lee Axworthy which must be classed as one of the greatest trotters of all time is the great grand sire of both Federal the sire and Leah Guy the dam of Lakeburn.

On his father's side the second dam was Zombretower, who was the dam of the greatest trotter that lived, Greyhound (1:55.4) who died at the age of 37.

Lakeburn's grand sires include Peter the Brewer and Peter the Great on his father's side and Lee Harvester, Lee Axworthy and The Harvester on his mother's side.

Lakeburn is available for stud duties at Alfred Webster's farm in West Royalty.

Tid Bits From Here And There

Members of the Island Pony Association will hold a meeting at the Charlottetown YMCA, Saturday night.

A local race fan spoke to us recently in regards to a piece Ralph Cameron had in "Coffee Break" suggesting that harness racing judges get in a car and drive on the cinder track inside the main track during the races. Our fan said he would like very much to have Mr. Cameron get in a car and try to judge a race in this way and that he felt confident after his experience Ralph would be ready to admit the only place to judge a race is from above the track. Our friend also pointed out that if Cameron was judging the race in his proposed manner he might have a little difficulty deciding where he should be if one or two horses broke away from the pack by six or eight lengths. What would you do Mr. Cameron?

Both county and provincial interscholastic track and field meets will be held as follows: County meets - Prince - Kensington (high school meet); Summerside, Queen Elizabeth Park (elementary); Queens County, Charlottetown; Kings County, Montserrat; Elementary events - Friday May 28, 2:00 p.m.; Junior and senior events - Saturday, May 29, 10:00 a.m.; Provincial and elementary meet - Summerside sports complex, Friday, June 4, 2:00 p.m.; Provincial high school meet - Summerside sports complex, June 5, 10:00 a.m.

The Island five-pin championships will get underway at Charlottetown's Rollaway Club Saturday with action commencing at 9:00 a.m.

We had a call from Don MacNeill last night and Don said he would like to clarify something that may have been overlooked in our feature story on him yesterday in regards to his supposed suspension and fine at Moncton raceway last fall. It was announced from the Moncton track that MacNeill had been fined \$100.00 and suspended for a year. MacNeill appealed the fine and the fine was reduced to \$25.00. Don was the top driver in North America last year in the 200-250 starts division.

SPORT ECHOES

Bal! State Not Clear

By NORMAN MACDONALD

It shouldn't be long before we'll be seeing some baseball in Summerside. The three town teams have been formed with the same sponsors as last year - A.E. MacLennan, Pontiacs, Summerside Legionnaires, and the Curran and Briggs team. And now the only question left is whether the town league will accept into their circuit the two outside teams, Grand River - Wellington and Tignish. We think their chances are pretty good, but you never know what objections might be raised when the pros and cons get kicked around at the executive table.

another league with some of the rural softball teams. Now the league couldn't very well operate with two of the four teams bowing out. That old "sageyman balance" which was tossed about so much in our Island hockey league a few years back is causing a lot of the trouble. Some of the boys figure the RCAF squad will be in so power packed they would make a farce of the league.

Some think this, but not Glen Matthews, manager of the Coastall Movers. Glen is mixing youth and experience and expects to come up with a pretty potent elixir. Frank McCormack, Ken Mathieson, and David Martin (PCRH hockey star) are three of the youths whom Glen expects to hold the fort against the RCAF Bluebloods. Bill Weston is his playing coach, and will give some needed experience to the club, and George Kinch, fireball pitcher, is another player with considerable experience. "Youth must be served" is apparently Glen's motto, and this is probably true. But how long they will have to stand in line before getting their ration is another thing. We'll be watching Glen's "youth experiment" with a great deal of interest.

Observations

Congratulations to John McNeill on his 30th anniversary as the writer of "The Relm Of Sport". During this time, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Fan were born, and John has kept us informed how this sports-column couple have felt about local sports for a good long time. May they and John continue to thrive for many more years.

Congrats to those four Kensington athletes, Jane Cash, Margaret Mayne, Philip Somers, and Barry MacEwen. They set up some good interscholastic marks and should keep Kensington in the sports headlines in the county meet which is to be held in this progressive little town.

washed out," said chief observer Walt Myers. Track hospital physicians said Jones was only shaken up. He was breaking in a new '64 Ford racing engine and had been running around 140 miles an hour.

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South Africa's natives have the highest rate of literacy in black Africa, 83 per cent for those 7.14 years old as opposed to 69 per cent in Kenya and five per cent in the Congo.

Parnell Jones Escapes Injury

INDIANAPOLIS (AP)—Parnell Jones, 1963 winner of the Indianapolis 500-mile auto race, apparently escaped serious injury in a test run crash at the Indianapolis motor speedway Thursday, but his Hurst Lotus-Ford probably cannot be repaired.



LOCAL 201 WING BOWLING CHAMPS

The RCAF Association 201 Wing held its annual bowling banquet at their club rooms last evening. Members of the winning team from the left are: Spurgeon MacLennan, Paul Williams, Capt. Edward Herb Baxter, Missing from Redmond, Louis Kays and the picture is Jack Meredith.

Maple Leafs, Red Wings Involved In Big Trade

By JIM CRERAR

TORONTO CP—Andy Bathgate verbally spanked Toronto Maple Leaf manager coach Punch Imlach last month. Now he's a Detroit Red Wing.

The high-scoring veteran right winger from Winnipeg in the National Hockey League 11 seasons, was one of three Leafs traded Thursday to Detroit for five players.

The deal saw Bathgate, Billy Harris and minor leaguer Garry Jerritt, all forwards, go to Detroit for defencemen Marcel Pronovost and Aut Erickson and forwards Larry Jeffrey, Ed Joyal and Lowell MacDonald.

Rathgate, 32, was elated two years ago when he was traded by New York Rangers, perennial also-rans, to the then Stanley Cup champion Leafs.

But last month, after Toronto was eliminated in six games of

the semi-finals by Montreal Canadiens, Bathgate was quoted as blaming Imlach for the club's failure to win a fourth straight Stanley Cup.

"There is a limit to a player's endurance," the Brampton, Ont., Times and Conservator quoted Rathgate as saying. "Imlach pushed a few of the players past that limit physically and mentally. . . . We played some of our best games in practice."

The story also quoted Bathgate as saying he wouldn't play next season for the Leafs if he was to be confined to a utility role, but four days ago at a New York world's fair appearance, Bathgate said he hadn't decided anything about next season.

Detroit manager-coach Sid Abel is the exact opposite of the fiery Toronto coach when it comes to handling players. In recent playoff series, for example, Imlach has driven his players in practice while Abel and his mob relaxed at the races.

Imlach was pleased with the deal. "It started out as a one-for-one situation. Then Sid and I decided we might as well make it a jim-dandy of a trade and he gave me five for three."

Imlach said he was glad for Harris, a 29-year-old Toronto native who was relegated to a bench-warming role for most of his 10 seasons with the Leafs. He was finally sent down to Rochester Americans, Toronto's American League farm club, late last season.

Previously the set up was called a town league consisting of three local teams—the Legion, Curran and Briggs and the A. E. MacLennan Pontiacs. But with the addition of Tignish and Grand River it was named the Prince County League.

The games, nine inning contests at Tignish and Grand River will be played on Sundays at 2:30 p.m. Games here, on Tuesdays and Thursdays will begin at 6:15 p.m.

The new clubs will play half as many games as the Summerside teams and they will count as four pointers. The opening game is set for June 1. It is not known who the teams will be as a scheduled has not been drawn up as yet.

What it amounts to is that the new clubs come here every two weeks. It is hoped each town team will play Tignish and Grand River twice.

Each visiting team is required to submit a \$15 registration fee and supply a huge judge. Tignish, nicknamed the Aces are sponsored by the Tignish recreation commission. It is not known as yet who the sponsor is for Grand River. Gerald Keough, representing Tignish and Joe Gillis representing Grand River were elected as members of the league executive.

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Bowling Banquet At Rec Centre

The Charlottetown Air Force Club, No. 201 Wing, held their annual bowling banquet at the local club rooms last night. Their was a good turnout for the closing dinner and Eric Farquharson, league president, was master of ceremonies for the evening program.

Head table guests for the annual affair included: Pope McMahon, past president; Arnold Callbeck, and Byron Burns.

The Eddie Redmond captained team nailed down the championship honors and Mr. Redmond accepted the Arnold Callbeck trophy on behalf of his teammates. Members of the championship team were presented with individual awards and Eddie thanked his teammates for making it all possible by their devotion to the league and to the team.

The regular league championship went to the team captained by well known local kegler, George Kays, and Frank Williams managed the speech for the Kays captained aggregation. The Air Force league have a competition for the bottom four teams in the league and the winners are awarded with steak dinners. Vic Williams managed to lead his team to victory in this

PROBABLE PITCHERS

By THE CANADIAN PRESS Probable pitchers for today's major league games: won and lost records in parentheses:

- National League: Los Angeles, Drysdale (6-2) at Chicago, Ellsworth (3-3); Philadelphia, Mahaffey (2-1) at Cincinnati, Tsitouris (3-3), N; Pittsburgh, Veale (2-2) at Milwaukee, Lemaster (2-3), N; New York, Fisher (3-3) at St. Louis, Washburn (3-1) or Simmons (1-3), N; San Francisco, Bolin (1-3) or Herbel (2-3) at Houston, Nottebart (0-3), N; American League: Washington, McCormick (1-2) at New York, Bouton (3-3), N; Boston, Wilson (2-2) at Cleveland, Terry (4-1), N; Baltimore, Pappas (4-0) at Detroit, Wickersham (1-2), N; Kansas City, Segui (2-4) at Minnesota, Pascual (4-0), N; Chicago, Buzhardt (4-0) or John (3-0) at Los Angeles, Newman (4-1), N.

VISITS WINDSORS PARIS (Reuters) - Britain's Princess Alexandra and her husband Angus Ogilvy called on the Duke and Duchess of Windsor at their Paris home Thursday before flying home to London after a three-day stay in



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