

Harness racing patrons assured topnotch season

Charlottetown Driving Park is looking forward to the greatest season ever in 1966. And that's saying a whole lot. This popular raceway has had many thrilling moments in race history and stories of great drives and thrilling finishes are countless.

However, officials of the CDP are confident that this racing season will eclipse anything yet offered at the Charlottetown oval. They are planning for a banner program right from opening date which is scheduled for Saturday June 4.

Race promoters here in the island's capital insist that the calibre of racing will jump upward this season. There will be many new pacers and trotters showing their abilities over the capital half-mile oval. Some railbirds are predicting great things for many of the newcomers. There's no doubt that at least some of the new stock will grab big shares of the purses offered at the CDP.

However, there were plenty of good speedsters last season around these parts and the newcomers will have their hands full snaring the top money pla-

ces. Word from the track is that many of last season's top winners look even sharper for this coming summer. Throw these established pacers and trotters in with the cream of the new crop and you'll find you will get some of the greatest racing ever witnessed in the Maritimes.

CUSTOMERS IMPORTANT Last season a great stride was taken on behalf of management to make things more attractive and more pleasant for the paying customer. Little details were thoroughly looked after and the people who keep racing going (the customer) felt good about the entire proceedings. There'll be more of the same in 1966. The track committee feels that the customers needs must be served and they are going all out to see that this is done and done efficiently.

It's true that good horses are most necessary for the success of a raceway. However, all the horses in the world won't do any good if the public refuse to patronize the place. Officials at Charlottetown Driving Park are fully aware of this and they are

leaving no stone unturned to see to it that the customers are given every consideration.

Things will start in June with one night a week racing. The tempo will increase in July until four programs will be carried out some nights at the CDP. Of course, Old Home Week will have racing Monday through Saturday, every afternoon and evening. Two big free-for-all will feature this month week of the sport of kings, with the speedsters going on Monday and Friday nights. The Evening Patriot Gold Cup and Saucer classic will once again be the highlight and this one is the Friday night affair.

BIG SPECTACLE This Gold Cup and Saucer spectacle has become the greatest racing show east of Montreal. The fanfare which accompanies it is rivalled nowhere in the East. It started in a very modest way but it has grown to huge proportions. The classic in 1966 will easily be the greatest racing show ever presented here.

Right now, things look extremely bright for a howling success all season long. The

grounds are being tidied up for the opening night and the horse-men are more enthusiastic than they ever were before. You can be sure you'll get full value for your money every time you attend a racing program at the CDP. The island has had a long association with great harness racing. It is a sport which refuses to give an inch to any other sport. Harness racing fans are just about the most enthusiastic people you can meet. They love their racing and they let nothing interfere with their enjoyment of it. And looking ahead to this coming season, there appears to be much enjoyment for these enthusiasts.

Plan now to be one of them and thereby insure yourself of a great summer's sport.

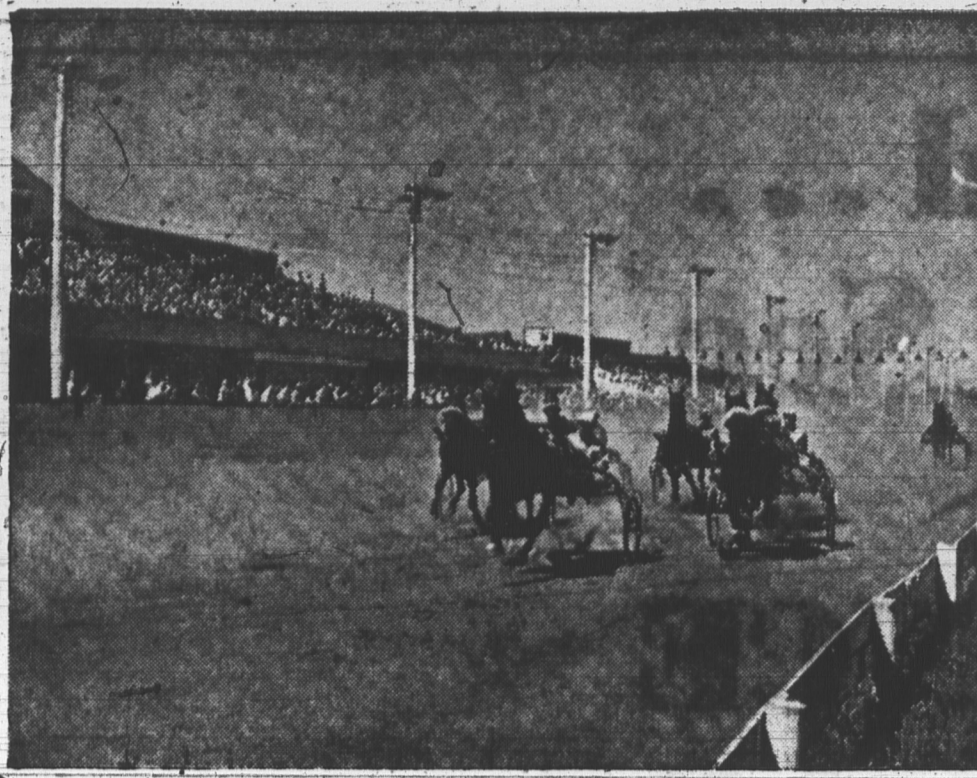
SENATOR DIES

LANSING, Mich. (AP)—State Senator William Romano, a Democrat from the Detroit suburb of Warren, collapsed and died from a heart attack minutes after fire routed legislators and scores of other guests from a Lansing hotel Friday. Romano, 55, who had been a member of the legislature since 1944, had emerged onto the sidewalk in front of the Roosevelt Hotel when he suddenly collapsed.

NEW ANCIENT VIOLIN—A 400-year-old violin, made by Andrea Amati, has gone back to the city where it was made. Cremona, Italy. It will be displayed in city hall and visiting virtuosi will be allowed to play it on occasion. The violin, one of 24 instruments made in 1566 for King Charles IX of France, was sold to the city fathers of Cremona by Rembert Wurlitzer, named Inc. New York violin makers and dealers. A company spokesman said the price was "around \$20,000." Only four such instruments are known to exist.

JAILED FOR 25 YEARS—HAMILTON, Bermuda (AP)—Eric Trotter, 35-year-old former boxer and golf club attendant, was sentenced to 25 years imprisonment and a dozen strokes of the cat-o-nine tails Saturday on charges of raping an 87-year-old woman and stabbing a police officer.

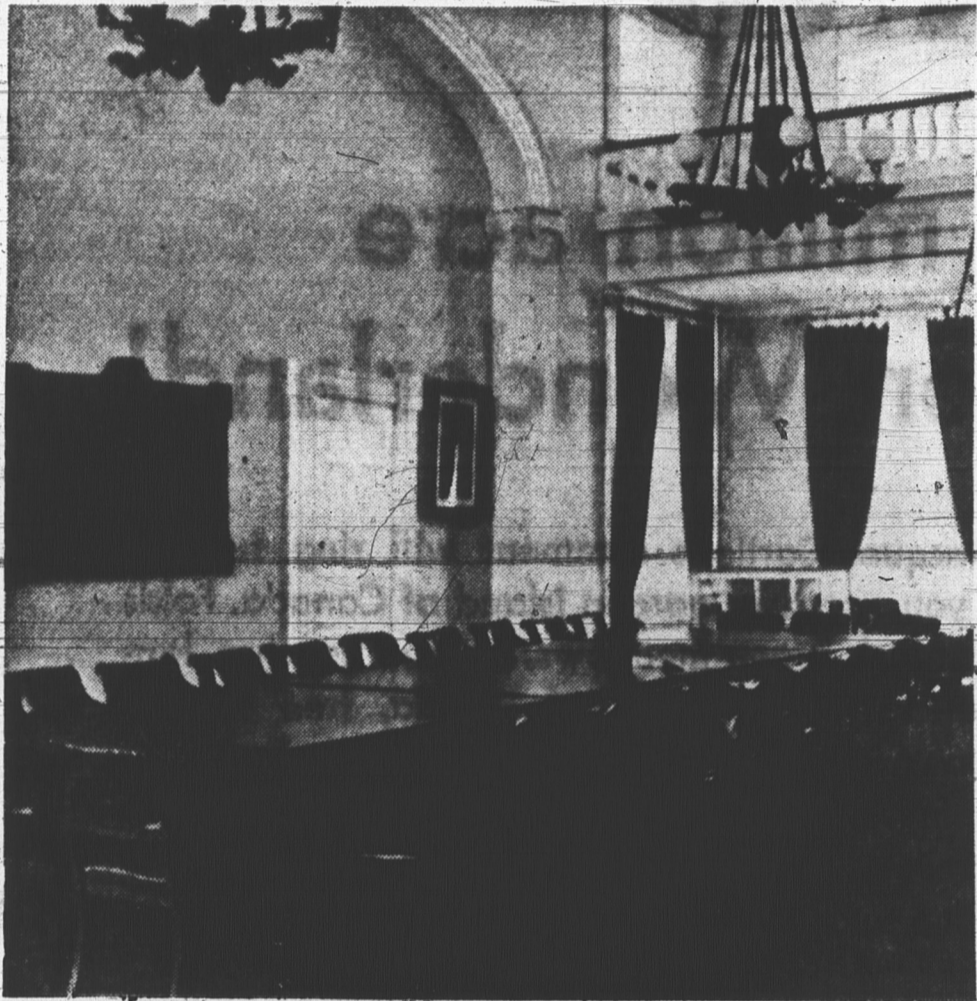
MOSCOW (AP)—A camel named Jelmiyan has given birth to twins high in the mountains of Kirgiz in central Asia, reported Saturday. The Soviet news agency said this hardly ever happens.



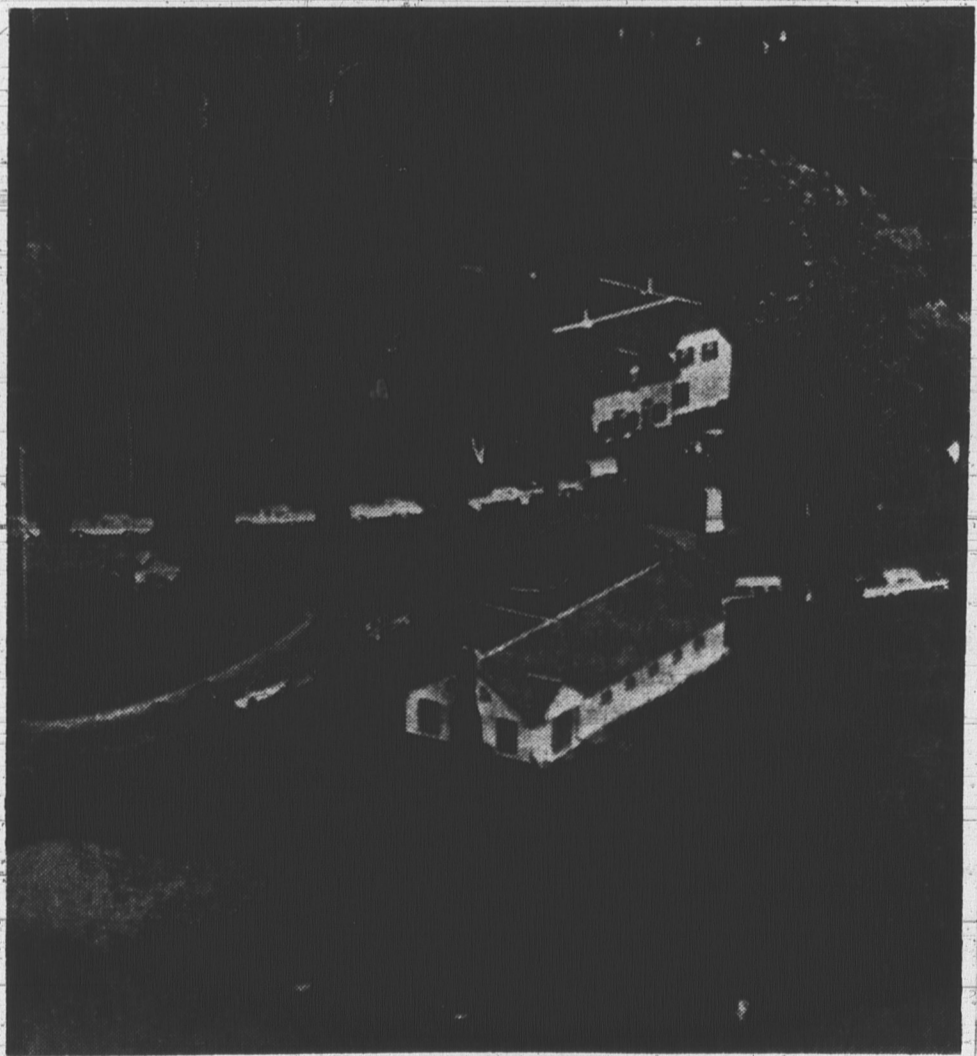
HEADED FOR THE WIRE

Racing like this is part of the regular summer season at the Charlottetown Driving Park. With many of the leading harness horses in the country performing here coupled with the intense interest in the

sport of kings by thousands of fans, Charlottetown has become known as the "Kentucky of Canada." Regular race programs are also held at Summerside.



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GREEN GABLES FROM THE AIR

WORKS FOR HUSBAND

Melina Mercuri's latest movie, 10:30 p.m. Summer, was adapted by her husband, Jules Dassin, from a Marguerite Yourcenar novel.

LUCI'S PAL A DROPOUT—Socially prominent actor George Hamilton was in and out of 25 schools before his education was "completed," he says.

SEEK PEACE PLEDGE

BONN (AP)—Chancellor Ludwig Erhard's chief spokesman said Friday West Germany is interested in an exchange of statements with the Soviet Union on renouncing the use of force. Erhard had a farewell visit Friday from Soviet Ambassador Andrei A. Smirnov, who is leaving after nearly 10 years in Bonn to become ambassador to Turkey. They were believed to have discussed such an exchange, a kind of informal non-aggression pact.

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