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 STRETCH**

Matt McAdam, well known horseman from Glace Bay writes... "Vella La Vella has arrived and has many admirers here, as she well deserves for she has been one grand race mare and a great bunch owner, all splendid fellows. P. J. Cadegan is going strong, a great sportsman and one of the best boosters for our sport in Cape Breton. He is on the sulky or cart at seven o'clock in the morning. The Playdays colt that Dr. Hugh MacDonald bought from William D. MacKenna, Flat River, is showing up well for Syl Phalen and I'll miss my guess if he does not make the grade. He is a smooth pacer and knows how to put them down."... Thanks, Matt, we are glad to hear from you.

Once again Joe O'Brien has shown great ability to train a horse and drive him to a new record. In this column some time ago we predicted that Brewer's Gallen would take a record of 2.04 or better and we were not greatly surprised when he won the \$3,500 trot at Santa Anita last week, trotting his mile in 2.03. Within six months in Joe's hands he has lowered his record from 2.10 1/2 to 2.03 3/4, 2.04 1/4 and now to 2.03. We hope eventually he will give the Maritime-owned trotter a record of 2.00 or better.

A well known horseman, Mike McKenna, Verlor Bridge, is retiring and will dispose of his stallion, Calmont Peter by Kalmuck 2.15 1/4, his valuable brood mare, Miss Belle Vernon and Queen Belle by Pagliacci, dam, Miss Belle Vernon. When we first started driving race horses Mike was also in the game, and we had several battles which we both enjoyed. His retirement we are sure will not mean any loss of interest in the sport of which he is so well informed.

The twenty horsemen who have taken over the Sydney Sports Centre and are installing electric lights and other improvements to make it a most attractive night racing spot, have we understand made a season's contract with Ken MacDougall of Moncton, N.B., to act as manager. We understand his duties will also include presiding Judge Announcer and classifier of horses. Mr. MacDougall has had a wide experience, has a very agreeable personality and we feel sure he will make a success of the new undertaking. It is our

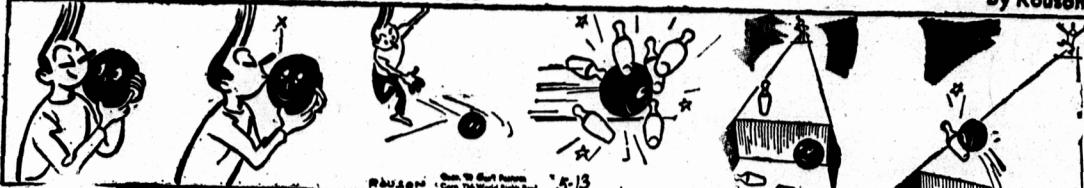
belief that night racing will be a real revelation in sport to Cape Breton fans, just as it is wherever introduced. The greatest enthusiasm has been generated among the horsemen there and some 86 trotters and pacers are lined up including a fast brigade such as Scott Spencer 2.06, Carl Ericson 2.03 1/4, Vella La Vella 2.06 1/5, Eddie Scott 2.04 and possibly others.

The movie, Silks and Sulks, taken last Old Home Week, was shown to quite a number of horsemen and others at the film room in Prince of Wales College this week by Mr. Bramwell Chandler. Prior to that it was shown at the Travel Bureau dinner at the Charlottetown Hotel and will certainly be a wonderful advertisement for this Province. The story is well told of the birth of a young pacer and his progress in breaking and training and the race in which he makes his bid to fame. Willard Kelly as the father and Roach McGregor as the son, take their parts perfectly and the race is really most interesting as described by Bill Brown. It will be shown in television in the United States and is particularly adapted for that purpose. We presume it will also be shown throughout this Province.

The following letter is from Tom Wignone, ex-M. L. A., who is visiting friends in the United States. "I was one of a crowd of 24,000 to 26,000 at Yonkers Raceway the other night. They were all shouting with everything they had at the finishes—no class raced better than 2.21, so I remarked to my friend that if our colts would not make better time than that we would scrap them. A man just behind me who was betting quite heavily and losing, answered, 'They must be good ones where you come from, I never heard tell of that place.' However, this is a magnificent property and no doubt the track will be quite fast later on. The seating is comfortable and the background of the race track is white and on the far side the horses show up wonderfully plain. We plan on being back home May 20th." Enclosed was two Yonkers programs with a P. S. "Give Jack Kennedy one of these and tell him to paint everything white."

A telephone message from Myron MacArthur Friday noon gave us the news that Linn Mite

LITTLE SPORT



2.07 by Volomite 2.03 1/4 had foaled at 2.15 a.m. Friday morning at Myron's farm, a chestnut filly of good size and beautiful conformation by Royal Napoleon 2.00 1/4. Linn Mite is owned by Arthur B. McGee, Augusta, Maine, and we are sure he will be mighty pleased to learn of the new arrival. He also told us that Uscita Britton 2.09 1/4, owned by George Brookings, dropped a foal by Abner T. Clegg 2.04 1/4 last Sunday. Myron said that Harry Coleman, who formerly trained the Arthur B. McGee stable, is at Yonkers track, New York, with the L. M. Page string from Windsor, Maine, and that he had won a race there a few days ago with the trotter Lordy. We asked about Clarence Schuman and he said that he is looking well and that he goes every day with Alan Mac, Peter Clegg and Kay Cash.

Vernon Irving, Shediac, brought a mare named Abbe Worthy 2.04 1/2, dam the thoroughbred mare Century Lass, over here last week to breed his stallion Fast Train 2.04 1/2, now in Jiggy Arbing's stable. The mare has a foal at foot by Kalmuck 2.15 1/4. This youngster is a full brother to Johnnie Kalmuck 2.13.

We were pleased to have a post card from Daytona Beach, Florida, from W. Annett, Manager of the Bank of Montreal, Gaspe, P. Q. who is vacationing there. It reads: "This is such a lovely place. Arrived here from Key West a week ago. May be in Charlottetown in late May." Mr. Annett is a great horse lover and with his daughter and son-in-law witnessed night racing here last August and liked it very much.

We were delighted to have a letter from Joe O'Brien last evening which gives some interesting news that appears above. "I am getting somewhere with Robert Morris. He was sour with the hoppers so I took them off. His first start he broke finishing. The next start he broke leaving. The third start he stayed pacing and was nosed out in 2.01 2-5 in a photo finish. The next start he came from last horse place at a three-quarter pole (had last place in 3.4-5) and won in 2.01 3-5. If he continues to be what I believe I will have a very fast horse. He is only four years old, is by Volomite 2.03 1/4 and his dam is the famous brood mare The Worthy Miss Morris. The same day I drove Lana Direct for Dana Cameron. She had eighth position going away and came from last at the three-quarter pole to win by six lengths in 2.01 4-5. I timed her half in 59.4-5. She is fime-legged. So far this year I have only driven one hopped pacer and that was a catch drive. I am going to start some of my colts now but will probably be finishing last most of the time until they get educated. I was very disappointed in Dr. Stanton. I think he was trained from 2.02 to 2.05 for such a long time that he got stale or worn out or something, did not seem to have any speed at all in the only race he started in so far.

Readers of this column, will probably remember that just a few days ago we carried some comments made by Milt (Toronto Star) Dunnell, concerning the relationship between Frank Boucher and Lynn Patrick over the latter's recent resignation as coach of the New York Rangers hockey club. Some of the comment didn't paint a very rosy picture between the two team officials, and Boucher now comes to the fore in rebuttal to the Toronto sport scribe's musings.

"Manager Frank Boucher of New York Rangers," states a recent report, "wants it known there is no rift between himself and Lynn Patrick, recently-resigned coach of New York Rangers in the National Hockey League. As a matter of fact, Boucher says Lynn has been his friend for a long time and still is in my book."

"Boucher gave his version of the freshman coach's resignation to the Bill (Ottawa Journal) Westwick after being told that Milt (Toronto Star) Dunnell wrote that his departure was somewhat less pleasant than meets the eye. 'There is only one reason why Lynn left the Rangers,' Boucher told Westwick, 'and that is the reason he gave. When he announced his retirement, (Lynn said he quit to coach Victoria Cougars of the Pacific Coast League and also he preferred to bring up his family in a smaller city than New York.)'

"I had no fight with Lynn. He was a friend of mine and I thought a lot of him and still do. I think he will say that now, too." Dummell wrote that Patrick took over the coaching job despite warning from his father, Lester Patrick, that he'd never be happy under Boucher and that if Boucher would get the credit—if not, Lynn was the goat. "At the start," Dummell wrote, "he and Boucher were buddies but before the season was far spent, Lynn had decided Lester was right."

Boucher said he knows that the older Patrick didn't want Lynn to take the job "because Lester and I were not on friendly terms. But Lynn and I were good friends and I got, and she is now a brood mare. Also Spruce Gum, the dam of Edwin McL. 2.16 3/8. Mr. Blackie also raised Hemlock, Colchester, Emma Britton, Gray Bird, Paul Collins, Bren Gun and at least a dozen more in the years gone by. He is now well up in his 80's, has excellent health and is an extra

Chicago Cubs Rout Hal Gregg For 6-3 Triumph Over Pittsburgh Pirates



Chicago Cubs yesterday routed Hal Gregg with a five-run explosion in the third inning and hung on for a 6-3 triumph over Pittsburgh Pirates in the National League. Cincinnati Reds and St. Louis Cardinals were scheduled to go in a night encounter—only other game on the date book.

The Cubs celebrated four hits, all extra-base blows, in the big inning against the Pirates. Wayne Tateage doubled and scored on a similar wallop by Hank Edwards. Preston Ward followed with his third homer of the season. Hank Sauer then walked and Andy Pafko hammered his No. 4 homer into the bleachers.

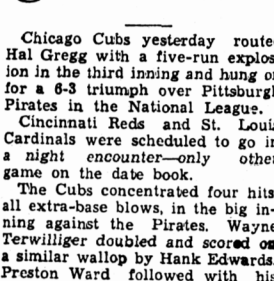
Jim Walsh cooled Chicago in that inning, then Vic Lombardi entered to check the Cubs with a lone unearned run the rest of the way.

However, the Bucs could make no progress against Bob Rush despite repeated opportunities. They collected 10 hits and received the additional aid of three walks and two Cub errors. But Rush managed to scramble out of repeated danger and finished with his third victory.

Nanny Fernandez, who collected a pair of doubles, knocked in two unearned runs in the first inning when Roy Smalley opened the gates with an error. Fernandez opened the fourth with a two-bagger and scored on Danny Murtaugh's single.

It was the fifth defeat in the last six games for the Pirates. Ewell Blackwell tightened the screws on St. Louis Cards with a five-hit performance that gave the last-place Reds a 3-1 victory. The Reds belted Harry Brecheen and Al Brazie for 10 hits.

HUNTERS' CORNER



This spring sees unusual activity by Department officials in connection with Wildlife projects directly pertaining to this province. On May 2nd Mr. Bruce Wright, Ducks Unlimited Representative, Frederickton, N. B. arrived in Charlottetown and spent two days laying over the Fullerton's Marsh Wildlife development project. He conducted an extensive and thorough investigation of the marsh and surrounding terrain. This proposed project possesses unique possibilities and if the sportsmen's dream becomes a reality it will be the first of its kind to be developed in eastern Canada.

Last Saturday Harry Webster, Dominion Wildlife Officer, Truro, N. S. arrived in the city. He has a vigorous program mapped out that will take up a great part of his time and energies for the greater part of the summer. At present he is assisting in the woodcock singing ground and sparrow hawk laying over the foundation for the crow investigation which has been ordered by his Department at Ottawa. This crow study is expected to take three years to complete.

Mrs. Webster is planning to preserve several hundred crow stomachs in a formaldehyde solution which will later be examined by an expert government analyst. It is hoped to determine by this method just where the crow fits in the Farmer-Sportsman picture. This investigation is well aware of the fact that egg contents do not show up in an analysis of a crow's stomach and in order to determine damage done to nesting wild ducks by crows it will be necessary to keep duck nests under observation.

Mr. Webster is equipped with tent and canoe but so far finding a wild duck's nest is like looking for a needle in a haystack. It has been this columnist's experience that one never finds a black duck's nest when one is looking for it. They are invariably stumbled upon during the course of routine or aimless rambles.

On Wednesday afternoon of this week the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service entered the provincial wildlife picture when Mr. C. E. Addy, Atlantic Flyway Biologist, Washington D. C. arrived in the city. Mr. Addy was accompanied by Mr. Mosher who will act as an assistant to Harry Webster in his extensive summer waterfowl program. At present Mr. Addy who is here to study the woodcock and waterfowl situation, is equipped with an aluminum canoe to use on duck marshes and rivers for close-up waterfowl checks. For more extensive surveys a plane is being flown in from the States.

This plan will be placed at Mr. Addy's disposal and will be used to the fullest advantage in order to obtain an accurate check on this season waterfowl prospects. It is apparent that our valuable wildlife is at long last being treated with the deference it deserves. The Departments concerned with its welfare at Washington and Ottawa are sparing no expense. They have supplied their field men with the latest in planes, cooking utensils, sleeping bags, cooking cans, field glasses, cameras, etc.

My blackened, battered aluminum dipper with the long handle and tight fitting cover would look kinda out of place beside their coffee percolator and my makeshift fireplace, a trench in the ground and a few fire blackened bricks, is a far cry from a Coleman stove. Nevertheless I've dished up some belt loosening feeds over this same time honoured fire place. They claim to be expert frying pan manipulators and talk glibly of flap jacks, corn pone and bacon and eggs. One of those fine days I'll drop in at their headquarters and call their bluff around meal time, of course. It's refreshing to find a bunch of field men who are enthusiastic enough about their work to 'go native' and live with the wildlife they are studying.

Our eastern black duck bears the brunt of the Atlantic Flyway shooting and naturally this species will draw the lion's share of attention from the Department field men. They were anxious to secure complete and accurate data on the status of the black duck for the open seasons this coming fall will be set in accordance with the findings of the Summer Survey... so keep your fingers crossed fellow duck hunters. There is a distinct possibility that the season on woodcock may be shortened this fall. This eventually will depend upon the result of the 'singing ground' check now in progress all over eastern Canada and the New England States. A two weeks out on the woodcock season would pass unnoticed in the province but with the ducks, and ducks to local nimble means blacks, it would be an entirely different matter.

A few scattered flocks of wild-geese, loath to leave a bounteous feed table, are still lingering with

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Ryan And McCabe To Head Abbie Baseball Team

Charlottetown Abegweit Amateur Athletic Association held at the Travel Bureau last evening, Charley Ryan was appointed as coach and Fred "Husky" McCabe as manager of the Abbies team entering this year in the Island Physical Fitness Intermediate Baseball League.

Club President, Lt. Col. W. J. MacDonald presided in the chair, while members of the executive present were George Francis, vice-president, Bert Croken, chairman of the baseball committee, Bill Massey, manager of the track and field team, and Art Perry, a member of the baseball committee. President MacDonald made the official announcement that the Abegweit Club would enter a team in the Island Physical Fitness League, which was merely a formality, the Club having expressed their intentions last week at Summerside at the reorganization meeting of the League.

Speaking on behalf of Abbie Club, as manager of the Track and field team, Bill Massey stated that the Club would take part in all major Maritime Track and Field meets this year in both the junior and senior divisions. He also announced that the Maritime Senior Track and Field Championships would be held at Charlottetown this year, with the date set for Labor Day, and that the Maritime Annual Invitation Meet, usually held on that date, would be held on the first of July.

Other leading track and field meets that the Club will take part in will be the Maritime Junior Championships at Halifax and the Antigonish Highland Games.

H. R. Carruthers Heads Curlers

H. R. Carruthers was appointed President of the Charlottetown Curling Club at a meeting of the directors held in the club-rooms last night. Other officers are: George Hawkins, vice-president, J. E. Burden, secretary, D. L. O'Rourke, treasurer.

Rifle Practice This Afternoon

The Provincial Rifle Range will open for practice at 1.30 this afternoon. A number of riflemen who are preparing to take their places on the Inter-Maritime team will be out for this practice.

I think it proves something that Lynn took the job against his father's advice and knowing the background. Since then there has been nothing, as far as I am concerned, to change my friendship with Lynn" concluded Boucher.

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Boston Red Sox In 3-1 Win Over Senators To Move Into Third Place

By The Canadian Press
 Boston Red Sox yesterday clubbed Washington's Red Scarborouh for nine hits and a 3-1 decision over the Senators in the only afternoon game played in the American League. The victory moved Boston into third place ahead of the Nats.

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