

BACK STRETCH

issued was 6,630 and for pacing 10,063. Membership in the U.S. T.A. rose to a total of 12,243. Of that number 11,754 are active members while 489 are track members. Registration of horses was estimated at 4,400, the same as last year.

HOULTON SALE
We wish to thank John D. Mehan of St. Stephen for items regarding the auction sale of standardbred horses at Houlton, Me. James Barnes, St. Stephen, the former owner of Inflation, the former Ermine 2:08 2/5, and the former Sir Chuck 2:13 4/5, that won at Cumberland, Me., Oct. 28 in 2:15 2/5. Ted Grant of Houlton, Me., whose stable is located at Woodstock, N.B., bought in a 3-year-old filly, Milestone Belle for \$1,300. The sale was held at the farm of Harold Bunting, owner of the stallion Bell Boy 2, 2:01, and Murray Kay 2, 2:01. Harrisburg was the auctioneer. The horses, mostly colts, brought over \$10,000 for the 30 head. Roy Creamer, St. Stephen, sold the 5-year-old brown pacing stallion Walter Rosecroft 2:07 1/2 to Spurgeon Horseman of Moncton. It was from Harold Bunting's farm that the good pacer Prudence Hy 2:45 was purchased last spring.

And now we hear from an old friend, Ralph E. Donovan, R.R. 4, Moncton, N.B. "Things are very quiet around Moncton now after an exciting summer and fall. I would like to have Peach Butter's record taken at Charlottetown as a 4-year-old. He is a much improved horse and I believe will make the headlines next season. I also have Eddie Dale, seven years old, by Abner T. Clegg. He has had a great career in 30 seconds." Thanks, Ralph, glad to hear from you. The ad. for Peach Butter and Eddie Dale appears elsewhere in this issue.

RACED HERE
Many will recall the performance of Peach Butter, owned by Harry Hirsch of Sydney when he raced at Charlottetown on July 7, 1951. Mr. Hirsch had bought him some months previously and he lived up to all the expectations he had regarding him. Here is the summary of the Free For All Pace, purse \$1,050—Peach Butter (G. Manger) 1-2-1; Cheeky Chief (J. Hennessy) 2-1-2; Vella La Vella 3-4-3; Lock Hanover 5-3-4; Hedgewood Chief 4-6-8; Manister Direct 8-5-6; Argot Pointer 9-7-5; Josedale Clipper 6-8-9; Time Table 7-9-7. Time: 2:08 3/5, 2:08 3/5, 2:09. Later Mr. Hirsch sold Peach Butter to Gerald Moreau of Quebec, and at Rimouski, Sept. 16 he won the free for all with 1-1. Time: 2:08, 2:10. That year he made 34 starts, was 24 times first, five times second and twice third.

We were delighted to receive a photo of Watchm 2.06 from George A. Calbeck, Summerside, which was taken Nov. 3, 1955, at Amherst. He was the winner of first prize and the championship stallion, also roadster class and Maritime trotting stake at the Maritime's highest live stock show. We had read where he looked just like a colt and the statement was no exaggeration. He is standing perfectly and looks as though he could be harnessed and conditioned to break track records as he did years ago. In our review which will appear later, if you go over the Maritime track trotting records you will find the name of Watchm very frequently. Watchm's owner is Frank Adams of Halifax and we are sure he will be delighted when he receives a similar photograph from George.

FINE ADDITIONS
We were very pleased to have a letter from our friend Edwin T. Keller, general manager of Vernon Downs, N.Y., who attended the meeting of the United States Trotting Association at Columbus last week and regretted that he could not be present. He also expressed the hope that he would get down this way some time and become acquainted with the horsemen in our section. He was present at the Harrisburg sale and saw H. M. Sweeney of Bridgewater and B.C. Cruikshank of Halifax when they bought Newport Express and Newport Chief and states that they should be quite an addition to the harness horses here.

Richard Jabalee of North Sydney has been the owner of harness horses for upward of 20 years and probably for that long period of time, hasn't had a performer that he thought more than Marjorie M. 2:07 1/4, that at one time held the track pacing record at Charlottetown and won races all over the Maritimes driven by Mr. Jabalee's brother Mike. For 1956 he will have a very formidable outfit with his new addition to the stable, David Caudle, 6-year-old brown gelding by Volstadt 3, 2:03 1/4, sire of 18 in 2:05 including Bay State Pat 2:02 3/5, and his dam is Louisa, dam of Mighty Jet 3, 2:03 3/5, etc. The sire of his dam is Dick Reynolds 1:59 1/4 and his granddam is the dam of nine in 2:10 or better. Last year he won \$16,785 and his total winnings at the end of 1954 was \$65,388.86.

The past season he has had

FOR SALE

The 3-year-old pacer PEACH BUTTER 2:08, whose record is well known to harness horsemen throughout the Maritimes. He is in good shape and should win himself out in a race or two next season.
Also for sale the pacer EDDIE DALE, seven years old, by Abner T. Clegg 2:04 1/2. Eddie can pace a quarter in 30 seconds and will make an ideal ice horse. Prices are reasonable.

RALPH E. DONOVAN, R.R. No. 4, Moncton, N.B.

died by Billy Houghton and campaigned at Roosevelt and Yorkers. We understand that Mr. Jabalee will race him at Cape Breton Sports Centre next season and we presume also others of his stable with the exception of Top Boss, that in Earle Avery's capable hands was a frequent winner at Roosevelt and Yorkers. At Yorkers on Sept. 21 he won a \$4,000 pace in 2:05 2/5 and shortly before had won in 2:06. These are just a couple of starts that we noticed particularly. Also the 6-year-old pacer Wing Commander 2:04 3/5, another good campaigner handled by Earle Avery. They are at present stabled with Merle Wale at Pinehurst, N.C. and will be campaigned on the Grand Circuit next year, together with the two new fillies purchased at Harrisburg, Grand Hazel and Grand Miss Volo. These fillies are staked extensively in the U.S. for 1956.

Looking over some accounts of the Spring meeting held in Santa Anita, Calif., we notice the following regarding the \$17,475 free for all pace which brought out a field of six starters and turned out to be a real sizzler. Hawkins Hoss 2:01, owned by Walter S. Found, set the early pace with the favorite Scottish Chief 1:59 3/5 not being able to get closer than fourth at the finish. Freeman Hanover, the 9-year-old son of Dean Hanover 1:58 1/2, from the W. Lachenmaier Stables of Shafter, Cal., got up in the final strides to get a nose decision over Hawkins Hoss, the mile being in 2:00 flat. We have just had a Christmas remembrance from Walter in California, and it brought the above to mind.

THRILLING MILE
Just prior to the racing of that feature race Neil Houslet got the 7-year-old gelding Scott Spencer home in another thriller, the mile in 2:00 2/5—a new mark for the Spencer horse owned by Lee Owen of Omaha, Neb. That was certainly fast stepping for so early in the season, but of course the horses had been campaigned during November and the early part of December. It was at that meeting that one of the most sensational trotters of 1955 made his appearance, namely, the 5-year-old gelding Galeway, owned and driven by Clyde Tisher of California. He only had a record of 2:12 2/5 previous to the opening of that meeting, yet he landed his fifth straight race that same afternoon as the above event and took a new mark of 2:02 2/5. This year he was the horse that took the honors from Scott Frost in the first leg of the \$75,000 trotting stake at California and then went lame. His owner had been offered \$50,000 and refused it. In our long experience with racing we were often reminded of a saying the late Ronnie Steele had, which was "Pick the cherries when they're ripe", meaning that when a horse makes a real effort and brings a big offer from an enthusiast, that is the time to pocket the dough.

L. B. Sheppard, president of the United States Trotting Association, and one of the owners of Hanover Shoe Farms and no doubt the man who has put his standardbred nursery in the top position it occupies today, certainly picked another good stallion for breeding purposes in Scotch Victor 2:00, owned by Sol Camp of Shafter, Calif. His sire is Volomite 2:03 1/4 and the sire of his dam is Scotland 1:59 1/2, two of the greatest progenitors alive today. Scotch Victor was a contending factor in all the prominent stakes from his 2-year-old form on. Last fall he won in 2:00 4/5 in California. His record was taken in the trotting derby, in which he defeated Kimberly Kid 4, 1:59, that was recently sold for \$150,000 to a stock farm syndicate in Lexington, Ky. His lifetime earnings are \$119,853.80 and he was driven in all his races by Joe O'Brien.

FIVE VICTORIES
Racing certainly must be tough at Yorkers Raceway where we noticed that Manscot 2:02 3/5 led all pacers there the past season with five victories. He is a 10-year-old gelding by Highland Scott 1:59 1/2, that made quite a comeback this season. Eleven pacers tied for second most wins, Gypsy Gal 2:06 1/5 being top because she was undefeated in her four trips to the state. The horse making the most starts was Ernest Duke, that faced the barrier 14 times during the 83 nights of racing.

Dates for New York State racing for 1956 have been announced as follows: Roosevelt Raceway, April 2 to July 24; Yorkers Raceway, July 25 to November 15; Vernon Downs, May 30 to August 31; Saratoga Springs, June 7 to August 28; Historic Park, Goshen, July 2 to 7; Good Time Park, Goshen, August 7 to 9; Saratoga Raceway, Orange Co. Park Association, Sept. 6 to October 31.

We were greatly pleased to have a beautiful calendar from S. Nightingale & Company, Fort Fairfield, Maine, famous for many years as growers and shippers of seed and table potatoes. This calendar has been coming to us for a long time and also occupies a very prominent position in our office. As many of our readers know, the firm is

Family Awarded \$80,000 After Boxer's Death

ALBANY, N. Y. (AP)—The state court of claims Tuesday awarded \$80,000 to the family of a welterweight boxer who died in September, 1951, of injuries suffered when he was knocked out in a bout at Madison Square Garden in New York City.

Judge Fred A. Young declared that the death of George Flores of Brooklyn was "an indictment of the entire system of medical examinations" of the state athletic commission.

Flores, 21, died four days after he had suffered a technical knockout at the hands of Roger Donoghue. Donoghue had TKO'd Flores in a match at White Plains, N. Y. 15 days before the fatal bout.

Flores left his wife, Elaine, and a son, Michael, who was a month old at the time of his father's death.

The family had filed suit for \$500,000 against the state on the grounds that the commission was negligent in that it violated its own rule that fighters who have been knocked out must wait 30 days before they may fight again.

Young ruled that the commission was negligent.

Reese Signs
BROOKLYN (AP)—Pee Wee Reese, captain of Brooklyn's world champion baseball club, Thursday became the first Dodger to sign his 1955 contract. He will receive an estimated \$36,000.

owned by S. A. Wathen and Sons, and we have very pleasant recollections of them through the years and particularly for the support they gave racing in the Maritimes in the long ago. Many will remember, and perhaps it would be nice to again bring back to the memory of Mr. S. A. Wathen, the performance of his great pacing mare Eula H. Here is the summary: Aug. 21, 1931—Free For All Pace—Eula H. 2:06 (Keys) 1-1-2; Volo Rico 2:05 1/4 (MacKinnon) 2-2-1; Trampsump 2:02 1/2 (Sweet) 3-3-6; Ruby P. 2:06 1/4 (Hood) 5-5-3; Lambert Todd 2:02 1/2 (A. Lewis) 4-4-4; Janette Royal 2:04 1/4 6-6-5; Bonnie M. 2:02 1/2 (Gerow) mid. Time: 2:10 1/4, 2:08, 2:08 1/2. The middle heat was a very hot track record, displacing the previous one made by John R. Braden some years before.

WELL BORN
Hollis MacDonald of Bonshaw was in our office the other day getting registration forms for the yearling Dawn Harvester, by Simcoe Harvester 2:04 1/4, dam Margaret Aubrey by Captain Aucey 2:07 1/4, granddam June Bingen by Bud Axworthy 2:12 (the third dam, Sally Bingen 2:14 by Binjolla. That list of names brings back a tremendous lot of harness racing summaries, those of Simcoe Harvester in Ontario and Quebec, where he lowered the track record twice in one week and left it at 2:04 1/4. Then his campaign in the United States and finally his being brought to the Maritimes. Unfortunately before he came here he met with an accident and was never able to perform at peak speed because of it. He was a horse that should have taken a record of 2:00 quite easily on a mile track. Captain Aubrey 2:07 1/4 was bought at a disposal sale of a Western stock farm by the Hon. John Richards of Bideford and the writer was present when Henry Thomas, one of the great stage and manager of the King Hill Stock Farm, where Captain Aubrey had been in service, stated that if he were mated with mares by Constantine he would produce champions.

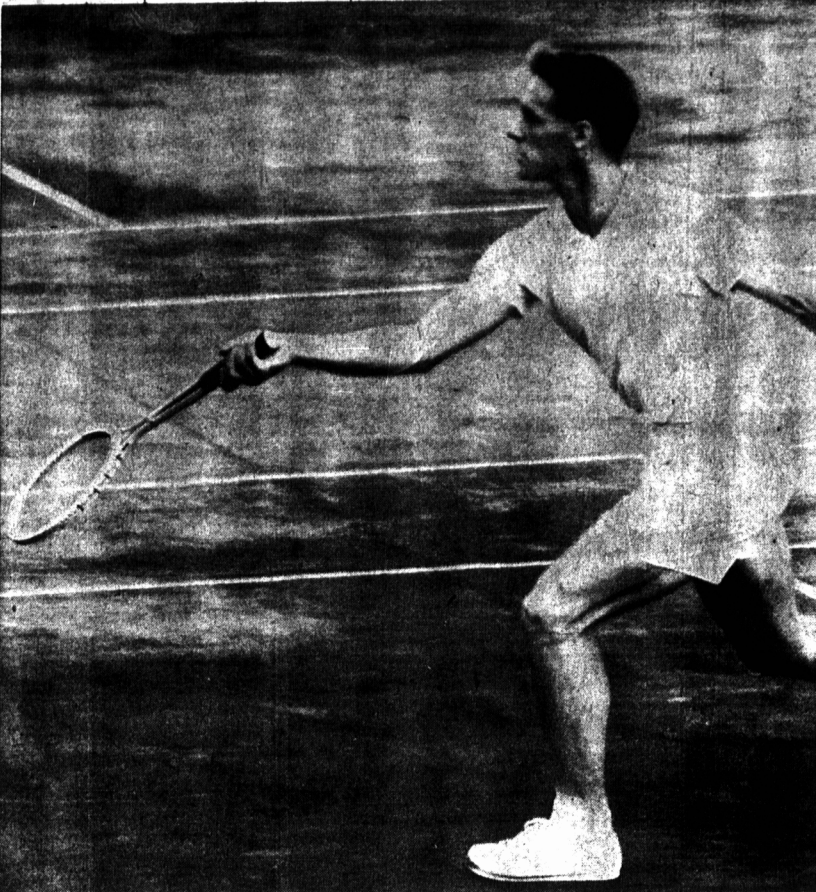
H. D. Fulton of Upper Steviacke, N. S. bought Helena Constantine at that sale and later mated her to Captain Aubrey and Peter Pockey 2:06 1/2, that was never without doubt, and several others out of that mare proved that his opinion was correct. Then we come to Bud Axworthy. That horse on account of his being a full brother to Lee Axworthy 1:59 1/2 was given a try-out by such prominent trainers as Walter Cox. He had terrific flights of speed, but would make breaks and run for a hundred or more yards. Finally they gave up trying to make a race horse of him and he was brought down to P. E. I. where, when he was 14 years old the writer gave him his record of 2:14 on the pace. Sally Bingen had a record of 2:12 and was a good race mare, owned by Dr. W. C. Church of Summerside, and her sire Binjolla, was one of the good ones in the U.S.A. Now getting back to Margaret Aubrey, she is reputed to have had 16 foals and this, the 16th, is stated to be one of the best of the lot, so here's hopes for Dawn Harvester making the headlines in a few years.

NOTICE

CHANGES IN ISLAND MOTOR TRANSPORT LTD. BUS SCHEDULES EFFECTIVE DEC. 15, 1955

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Lv: Charlottetown 4:30 P.M., Daily Except Sunday.
Lv: Georgetown 8:30 A.M., Daily Except Sunday.
Ar: Charlottetown 9:50 A.M., Lv: Montague 6:30 P.M. Sunday Only.
Ar: Charlottetown 7:30 P.M. Sunday Only.



CANADA'S TOP TENNIS STAR
IN TENNIS DISPUTE — Bob Bedard was officially named as Canada's top tennis player of 1955. Shows a strong forearm during a match at Sherbrooke, Quebec, Province of Quebec Tennis Championships at Montreal, yesterday.

Mixed Curling Draw Tonight

The following is the mixed curling schedule for tonight at the Charlottetown Club:
7:00 P.M.
Ice No. 1. H. Farmer (Skip) Dorothea Stewart, Ethel Sutherland, Millie Blakeney, vs. Douglas Cameron (Skip) Tillie Hawkins, Lawrence Blakeney, Evelyn Goss.
Ice No. 2. Ron Parker (Skip), Kay Johnston, Holly Taylor, Nancy MacNeven, vs. Frank Hobbs (Skip) Sybil MacMillan, Dave Cox, Barbara Cameron.

Ice No. 3. George Hawkins (Skip), Iris MacLellan, Joyce Coffin, Florence MacLean vs. Don Wonnacott (Skip) Bessie Prowse, Noreen Auld, Joan MacKendrick.
Ice No. 4. Fred Cannon, Marian Dockendorff, S.W. Willis, E. Anderson, vs. George Anderson (Skip), Jean Grant, John Taylor, Grace MacKay.
8:30 p.m.
Ice No. 1. Douglas Hill (Skip), Doris MacDonald, Hector MacKenzie, Joyce Beer, vs. Stirling MacDonald (Skip), Rosemary Hill, Bill Beer, Mary Tait.
Ice No. 2. Andy Likely (Skip), Marie MacNeill, B. Greenough, G. Greenough, Helen Likely, Jean MacLean, Marjorie Stewart.

Ice No. 3. Wendell MacDonald (Skip), Helen MacKenzie, H. B. Willis, Jeanette Carson, vs. Doug MacDonald, Sheldon Carson, Pauline Saunders.
Ice No. 4. Ralph Jones (Skip), Anne Wood, John Simmonds, Anne Wood, vs. Edison Wood (Skip), Bertie Howatt, Viny Simmonds, Margaret Jones.

Spares: Myron and Louise Bell; Margaret and Wendell Worth.

Feller, Roberts Submit Requests

NEW YORK (AP)—Two major league representatives, Bob Feller of the American League and Robin Roberts of the National, met with baseball commissioner Ford Frick Thursday to present proposals previously turned down by team owners.

THE R.C.A.F. MOBILE RECRUITING UNIT CHARLOTTETOWN

WILL BE IN CHARLOTTETOWN ON TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY Dec. 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 and 21st AT THE R.C.A.F. ASSOCIATION CLUB ROOMS 3rd FLOOR OF THE BANK OF COMMERCE BLDG. From 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. IF YOU CANNOT VISIT THIS UNIT WRITE, PHONE OR VISIT THE R.C.A.F. RECRUITING UNIT R.C.A.F. STATION, SUMMERSIDE PHONE 2281

Canada's Olympic Skiers Launch Serious Training

ST. JOVITE, Que. (CP)—Canada's Olympic ski team has launched into serious training on Laurentian slopes in this winter resort north of Montreal. The first official workout Tuesday was heartening for coach Eric McCulloch. Three members of the team who spent the summer hobbling on broken legs reported the injured limbs had not bothered them during the initial workouts. Watching his charges skim by on the snow-packed slopes of Mont Tremblant, McCulloch said: "One of our girls will bring home a gold medal." "They are just as good as the Europeans and there is no reason why they shouldn't finish on top in one of the events." The team includes Anne Heggtveit, a slalom specialist from Ottawa, who suffered a broken leg last winter; Lucille Wheeler, Canadian women's combined champion; and Carolyn Kruger, both of Montreal, and Gilt Seguin, of Quebec. The male contestants include Art and Andy Tommy from Ottawa, both of whom suffered broken legs earlier this year; Andre Bertrand of Laval University in Quebec City; Jacques Charland of Trois-Rivieres, Que.; and the Servold brothers—Clarance and Irwin—from Camrose, Alta. The team will leave here Dec. 27 by air for Cortona, Italy, where the Olympic ski events will be held between Jan. 27 and Feb. 3. McCulloch reserved judgment on his male skiers but said there is no reason why the comparatively small Canadian team couldn't finish among the top 10 at Cortona.

QUAKE ROCKS TOWN

PASSO ROBLES, Calif. (AP)—A rolling 30 - second earthquake cracked plaster in some homes and swayed lamp posts in this central California town Friday. There were no reports of injuries. The quake occurred at 6:44 a.m. local time.

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ELMIRA
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Hunters' Corner

If they were so keen on the subject they should have been there and stood up man fashion and spoke their piece. I understand that what amounted to a challenge was issued by a member for those who contributed letters to the Public Forum without signing their names to stand up and introduce themselves if they were present. No response. Just silence one could cut with a knife. No one would accept the responsibility to make a motion for separate seasons and this question died a natural death.

NOT CONSERVATION
Let us hope it stays dead. To quite a few this matter of separate seasons seemed to be the answer but after being studied at leisure and subjected to a close, impartial analysis a number of flaws were discovered. In the first place it is not a conservation move. It doesn't let anyone fool you with the assertion that the handful of non-resident hunters 145 last fall are a factor on whether or not our Huns and pheasants survive. Another point against having two separate hunting seasons for resident and non-resident hunters is that it smacks of selfishness and this quota ever came to be filled places the State or Province that was in 1941 when 147 non-residents purchased hunting licenses. This fall (1955) 145 non-residents legally hunted in the province.

and I believe Michigan, tried out the separate hunting season system but discontinued same after a trial. I understand that the province of Manitoba had a separate season for resident and non-resident hunters under discussion at one time but decided against the move after taking the pros and cons into consideration. A question many are asking at the moment is this. If separate hunting seasons were put into effect in this province just who would be benefited or pleased? This columnist covers the province pretty well every fall and is not extensive, is about equally divided between the non-residents and our own local product. The consensus of opinion is that the only result of such legislation would be the silencing of a few squeaky wheels and there's no fellowing discovered. In the first place it is not a conservation move. It doesn't let anyone fool you with the assertion that the handful of non-resident hunters 145 last fall are a factor on whether or not our Huns and pheasants survive. Another point against having two separate hunting seasons for resident and non-resident hunters is that it smacks of selfishness and this quota ever came to be filled places the State or Province that was in 1941 when 147 non-residents purchased hunting licenses. This fall (1955) 145 non-residents legally hunted in the province.

REMEMBER WHEN
By THE CANADIAN PRESS
Tony Zale, middleweight champion, was awarded the Edward J. Neil memorial plaque seven years ago today for his outstanding contribution to boxing during 1948. Zale won the award for his thrilling knockout victory over Rocky Graziano that year, to regain the title he had lost in his first fight with Graziano.

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