

THREE YEAR OLDS  
MAKE READY FOR  
HAMBLETONIAN

Royalty of 3 Year Olds  
in Shape for Richest  
Event of Racing Year  
—All Will Meet on  
Wednesday.

Cleveland, Aug. 11—Those royally bred candidates for the \$70,000 Hambletonian three year old trot at Syracuse, N. Y. the week of Aug. 27, will give harness turf devotees a definite line on their chances when they go to the post in the \$11,000 Champion Stallion Stake at a special one day card at the North Randall track here Wednesday.

For the first time this season, all the star three year olds are expected to go to the post in one race. Heading the list is the champion stepper from New England, Fireglow who set a new race record of 2.04 for two year old trotters last fall at Lexington, Ky. The event will make his first start of the season. Spencer 2.05½ who led last year's two year olds in money earnings, likewise will make his 1928 debut.

Other Stars To Enter

Other stars who are expected to start are Nellie Signal 2.04½, winner of the historic Matron Stake at Toledo; Guy Abbe, Red Aubrey, Gayworthy, Scotland, The Blonde Lady, Otzinachson. Bogalusa the Great, Fine Girl, Coburn and The Virginia Senator.

Fireglow, favorite or the Hambletonian rom the very time the future books opened, will be the choice. He appears in championship form as attested by a workout mile in 2.04½ with ease. Walter R. Cox, the Goshen, N. Y. veteran will drive him.

A darkhorse or both the Championship Stallion Stake and Hambletonian is the Cleveland candidate, Coburn, owned by P. W. Harvey. He never faced the starter, but is working exceptionally well and is a picture horse. He took a time record of 2.08 as a two year old.

More Events on Card

Two other events will be on the Wednesday card. They are the Rainy Day and Homebrew Sweepstakes, both for two year old trotters. The former is a nationally known fixture while the latter is a race for juveniles owned by members of the Gentlemen's Driving Club of Cleveland.

Among the stars in the Rainy Day are Bingen McKlyo, the property of the Indianapolis breeder and sportsman, Frank P. Fox; Who Knows, Precious Signal, Miss Woerner, Walter Dear, Hollywood Harold, Stone Mountain, Trusty Brewer and Crusader.

Several Grand Circuit reinsmen have been here for two weeks getting their candidates into shape. They are Lon McDonald of Indianapolis who has Spencer; Dick McMahon of Lexington, Ky. who has Guy Abbe and Trusty Brewer; Marvin Childs, Indianapolis, driver of Red Aubrey and Nat Ray, local pilot who teams Nellie Signal and Precious Signal.

SAILOR SPIES  
PLANE WITHOUT  
BINOCULARS

New York, Aug. 11—A sailor's keen eyes, picking out a speck in the ocean which powerful binoculars had not been able to sight, led the liner Minnewaska to the wreck of Captain Frank Courtney's seaplane "Whale," Captain Frank H. Claret, master of the steamer, disclosed Tuesday.

"It was Charles Harlow, a seaman, stationed in the crow's nest, who first sighted the plane, although we had 10 binoculars searching from the bridge," Captain Claret said when he docked the Minnewaska after discharging the flying castaways.

He said he had steamed 341 miles out of his course to pick up the Whale. To take it on board, he said, would have meant a 24-hour delay.

BETTY DIRECT WON JUNIOR FREE  
FOR ALL AT PRESQUE ISLE RACES

Belfast Mare Surprised Railbirds When She Out-ran Hedgewood K., the Favorite—Friscotonian and Captain Leggett Other Winners Yesterday.

Presque Isle, Me., Aug. 10—Betty Direct 2.07¼, owned and driven by E. H. Piper of Belfast, Me, cut in on the junior free for allers when the final meeting of the summer section of the Maine and New Brunswick circuit campaign finally got under way today after two postponements, providing a big upset of the opening days' program.

The junior free-for-all was open to 2.12 pacers, which carried with it a purse of \$600 and Hedgewood K. 2.07¼, the Woodstock owned pacer in Will Keyes' stable, was favored to win, but Betty Direct showed the same form she did through the stretch in each heat. In the first heat Hedgewood broke when Keyes started to overtake Jackson Grattan who had been rushed into the lead but in the other heats Hedgewood K. was the contender.

2.14 Trot—Purse \$400  
Blue Jay, reg., by Beirne Jay (Flemming) .....1 1 1  
Major Mozart, b.g. (Furlong) 2 2 2  
Ella Watts, b. m. (Keyes) .3 3 4  
Peter Will Tell chg (Douse) 4 4 3  
Time—2.15, 2.13¼, 2.16.

2.12 Pace—Purse \$600  
Betty Direct, b.m. by Empire Direct (Piper) .....1 1 1  
Hedgewood K. ch.g (Keyes) 4 2 2  
Early Todd, b.g. (Johnson) 2 3 3  
Jackson Grattan b.s. (Flemming and Hopkins) .....3 4 4  
Time—2.10½, 2.10¼, 2.12.

2.21 Trot—Purse \$400.  
Friscotanna, blk.m, by San Francisco (Flemming) ....1 1 1  
Edna Kyo, b.m. (Shuman) .2 2 2  
Peter Scott, Jr. blk.g (Douse) .....3 3 4  
Peter Harvester b.m., (Johnson) .....5 5 5  
Time—2.13, 2.15, 2.16½.

2.16 Trot and Pace, Purse \$400  
Captain Leggett, chg.g by Hedgewood Boy (Keyes) .2 1 1  
Bonnie Watts, b.s by General Watts (Johnson) .....1 6 4  
Chestnut Dillon, chg. (Flemming) .....4 2 3  
Mary Volo br.m (Lee) ....4 2 2  
Twinkling Chick, bg. (Douse) 5 3 5  
Peter Tanlac, bg (McIntyre) 3 5 6  
Earn North blk.g (Hopkins) 6 8 7  
Kazoff, bg (Piper) .....7 7 8  
Time—2.10, 2.09¾, 2.11½.

GRATTAN BARS  
MOST TOUTED OF  
HARNESS STARS

Toledo, Aug. 8—The greatest harness horse of the season, of course is Grattan Bars, that wonderful Canadian pacer. In the old days, when trotters and pacers went after records in order to achieve fame, the thrill of actual racing didn't figure a great deal in the career of a top notch harness horse after it became famous.

But in recent years it is the race itself which counts. The spectacle of crowded stands breathlessly watching a pacer or trotter trying to break a record seems to have passed, and in its place is the racing horse which can come in front of a big field.

Single G. has a record over a long stretch of years which makes him more popular in the minds of horse lovers than Grattan Bars is today, and Single G. made his reputation in races. But it is doubtful if Single G. ever paced more impressively than Grattan Bars has done this year.

The invincibility of Single G. made his task easier than that of other harness stars. Seldom were there many owners willing to send their horses against him, and in most of his races, especially in the later years of his glory, the field consisted of less than half a dozen starters.

Good Big Field

Compare this to the crowd which went to the post in the Page Dairy stakes here, when Grattan Bars battled his way through a crowded track to win his first heat he ever paced on a mile track in less than two minutes.

Consistency is as much a feature of Grattan Bars' racing this season as it was with Single G. But this consistency will have to last over several years before the old timer will admit that Grattan Bars is the equal of the big stallion.

IMPROVEMENT  
IN AUTO DRIVING

Washington, Aug. 11—More and more it is becoming all right to step on the gas out in the open. The American Automobile Association notes a tendency on the part of the states to increase speed limits in the interest of safety; that speed and recklessness are being divorced; that vehicles moving slowly are proving the worst nuisances on the road.

PROMOTERS  
ARE SEEKING  
BIG BOXERS

New York, Aug. 10—The abdication of Gene Tunney will renew the promotional feud between Tep Rickard and Jack Fugazy, much to the benefit of heavyweight fighters. Both will go seeking the best talent and will bid high for it.

As a start Fugazy is matching Johnny Risko and Roberto Roberti for Aug. 16, while Rickard is trying to get Jack Sharkey to go against Knute Hansen. Roberti, a giant young Italian, is a good prospect but isn't ready for major competition yet. He showed this when he boxed a draw with Jack Gross in Philadelphia a short time ago. Gross is another fine youngster, but he need at least another year before being ready for the stars.

Sharkey Not So Eager  
Sharkey, I don't believe, wants any of Hansen's game. The big Dane hasn't boxed since he knocked out Phil Scott in a round. Sharkey would like to get started on easier game, but Hansen can't be sidetracked indefinitely.

As big and fast and hard hitting a fellow as he, particularly when backed by such splendid boxing ability, can not fail to get somewhere. Many of the New York sports writers have come out flatfooted for Tommy Loughran. The light-heavyweight champion, though not named by Rickard for his elimination tournament, is certain to whip most of the chaps Tex has named.

Tourney Starts Soon

The elimination tournament will soon be under way. The only hope is that it will not be as hopelessly bad as the one last winter.

Mr.—Dinner ready, honey?  
Mrs.—Boo, hoo! We've only been married a s-six days and you're already talking about dinner!

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League Circuit

American League—	
R H E	
New York	5 6 0
Boston	2 11 1
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R H E	
Washington	0 4 3
Philadelphia	8 14 0
Batteries—Gaston, Za'hary and Kenna; Quinn and Cochran.	
R H E	
St. Louis	3 10 1
Chicago	5 10 1
Batteries—Stewart and Schang; Blangenship and Berg.	
R H E	
Detroit	8 12 0
Cleveland	7 5 2
Batteries—Holloway and Hargrave; Hudlin, Miljus and L. Sewell.	
National League—	
R H E	
Philadelphia	4 9 1
New York	8 9 1
Batteries—Sweetland, Walsh and Lerian; Fitzsimmons, Genewich and Hogan, O'Farrell.	
R H E	
Boston	1 5 1
Brooklyn	5 7 1
Batteries—Brandt, Cantwell and Taylor; Vance and Deberry.	
R H E	
St. Louis	2 8 1
Pittsburgh	1 10 2
Batteries—Mitchell, Sherdel and Wilson; Russell and Hargreaves.	
Only games scheduled.	

SIMILITUDE

Wild roses quiver in the stream, the same  
This year as in the other years gone by,  
And cardinal flowers cool their mid day flame,  
Where lily pads and water grasses lie,  
The cattails thrust their jade and topaz spears  
Against a cloud drawn venturously low,  
And sundrops hang in fragile, yellow tears  
Where iris purpled spring an age ago.

The same wind ripples past at drowsy ease,  
The same sun fires a darning needle wings;  
Green-shadowed silence drifts among the trees,  
An arching hawk looks down on lesser things;  
And though my hands the same swift longings run—  
The old desires lie aching in my breast—  
The dreams of you that never will be done—  
The needs that only you can set at rest!

—JERRY EVANS in Herald Tribune.

"What's the first thing you did after your wife ran away?"  
"I went out and bought some shirts that fit."

Fred—Ted seems to know a lot about the ponies.  
Red—What makes you think so?  
Fred—He never bets on them.

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