

Hockey 66 Teams In O.H.A.

Hockey Gossip

Note and Comment

The Prof. Sphinx ringle case attracted considerable attention in the trotting world, being brought to a proper termination on Tuesday before the board of appeals of the U.S. National Trotting Association in New York. The chestnut gelding Jack London was campaigned on the half-mile tracks this year under the alias of Prof. Sphinx, and in slow classes to which his record of 2:12½ rendered him ineligible.

All this and other evidence had been gathered by Secretary W. H. Goehner, who obtained the identification of the supposed ringer from his old trainer, Doll McLean. As a result A. E. Richardson, a driver from Flint, Mich., was expelled for entering Jack London and racing him under his alias.

What the board considered an incriminating circumstance was a letter McLean received this fall, offering him money if he would fall to identify the horse. The letter was from the Prof. Sphinx, who was most of his track. The signature to this letter was "Frank C. Alexander," a name which was known to Richardson. Richardson, an expert on handwriting, declared the incriminating letter corresponded with his chirography.

James J. Roberts of Worcester, Mass., who bought the trotter, thought Richardson had no right to know of the case. He was defended by Webster Thayer and the case against him was dismissed. It was also held since Jack London had been sold to Charles W. Barnum, a state senator from Lime Rock, Conn., after his tour as Prof. Sphinx was over, he was an innocent holder, who had sided in running down the outlawed driver, and the horse could be restored to favor on the restoration of his unlawful winnings.

These amounted to some \$700 and it was said Mr. Roberts promptly handed them over to Senator Barnum. The latter purchased the gelding for \$1000. Mr. Murphy, paying, it is understood, \$200 for the fast trotter, then known as Prof. Sphinx. Under that name the horse had made a record of 2:12½ at Allentown, Pa., last September, but having been engaged in the 2:20 and 2:30 classes at the Mineola Fair on Long Island, started and won two purses of \$1000 the next week.

Besides refunding the purse money, which will be redistributed among the next four horses, there is a possibility of a change of name and when this is also paid, Senator Barnum has the right to call him any name he pleases. This trotter was composed of J. C. Kirkpatrick, St. Louis; H. N. Bain, Poughkeepsie, and P. H. Wall of Ottawa.

T. AND D. LEAGUE MEETING

Games Ordered Replayed and Players Are Suspended.

T. & D. Council met last night in the World Building and the following decisions were given: Baracas v. Stanley Barracks game to be replayed. Bill of Little York stands suspended till he appears before council. W. Fawcett suspended for two weeks of spring season. Moore Park v. St. Pauls game to be replayed. Moore Park v. Scots, left over. Don Valley v. Wyndwood, points awarded to Don Valley. Wyndwood v. Royal Hearts, points awarded to Royal Hearts.

T. AND D. LEAGUE STANDING

The standing of the T. & D. League up-to-date is as follows:

Clubs	P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Ag.	Pts.
Baracas	9	7	1	1	12	8	15
Thistles	9	7	1	1	12	8	15
Stanley Barracks	9	4	2	3	15	14	10
Davenport	10	8	3	4	17	16	9
Pioneers	10	8	3	4	17	16	9
Carpenters	10	8	3	4	17	16	9

Clubs	P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Ag.	Pts.
Scots	9	6	3	1	13	7	13
Moore Park	9	4	3	2	10	4	11
Grand Trunk	9	3	3	3	9	9	9
St. Pauls	10	1	2	7	9	18	5
Garretts	10	0	0	10	0	0	0

Clubs	P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Ag.	Pts.
W. Riverdale	6	4	1	1	9	4	9
Don Valley	6	4	1	1	9	4	9
Wyndwood A.	7	3	1	3	9	12	7
Fawcett	8	2	2	4	6	23	4
Builders	8	2	0	6	6	23	4

Clubs	P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Ag.	Pts.
Royal Hearts	7	7	0	0	23	8	14
Wyndwood B.	8	3	2	3	10	7	8
Hiawatha	8	3	1	4	12	7	7
Taylor	8	2	2	4	9	16	6
Baracas	9	2	2	5	8	26	5

Clubs	P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Ag.	Pts.
Weston	6	6	3	1	9	10	7
Sunderland	6	2	2	2	8	9	6
Mt. Dennis	6	1	4	1	11	9	5
Davenport	6	0	0	6	0	14	0

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City Two-man League	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
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Coulter	153	199	169	130	167		

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STRATFORD WILL AGAIN PLAY SENIOR O. H. A.

All Entries of Teams Must Be in Secretary's Hands by Tuesday Next—Big Number Entered.

The first meeting of the new executive committee of the O.H.A. will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 13, at the Evening Telegram office, Toronto, when the teams will be grouped and the various districts arranged. The decision of the committee will be final, and the conveners appointed will be requested to enter their schedule meetings at the earliest possible moment, so that the dates of all championship matches can be included in the 1912 rule book.

Tuesday, Dec. 12, will be the last day for receiving entries for teams in the O.H.A., and all must have their fees paid and all outstanding obligations settled in order to be considered in the coming season. The entrance fee for a new club is \$5, with \$5 additional for each team entered; for clubs already members of the association, the fee is \$5 per team annual subscription.

Suggestions for grouping should be sent at once to the secretary, W. A. Hewitt, Daily Star office, Toronto, and every club should state clearly what series they desire to play in. No teams will be admitted after next Tuesday. So far sixty-six teams have paid their fees, as follows:

Belleville, junior and intermediate. Cheesley, intermediate. Cobourg, intermediate and junior. Elmira, intermediate. Drumbo, intermediate. Dunnville, junior. Gravenhurst, junior. Galt, junior. Ingersoll, junior and intermediate. Kingston, intermediate, junior and senior. Listowel, intermediate. London, intermediate and junior. Markham, intermediate. Midland, intermediate and junior. Niagara Falls Maple Leafs, intermediate. Niagara Falls West Ends, intermediate. Orillia, junior. Oshawa, intermediate and junior. Paris, junior. Peterborough, intermediate and junior. Preston, intermediate and junior. Sarnia, intermediate. Seaforth, intermediate. Simcoe, intermediate and junior. St. Mary's, intermediate. Stratford, senior and junior. Toronto Argonauts, senior, intermediate and junior. Toronto Canoe Club, junior. Toronto Eltons, senior and junior. Toronto Lancers, junior. Toronto Rowing Club, junior. Toronto Simcoes, junior. Toronto St. Michael's, junior. Toronto St. Paul's, intermediate. Upper Canada College, junior. St. Andrew's, senior and junior. Trenton, intermediate and junior. Victoria Harbor, intermediate. Waterloo, intermediate. West Toronto Rangers, intermediate. West Toronto Maple Leafs, intermediate. West Toronto Victorias, junior. Whitby, intermediate and junior. Woodstock, intermediate and junior.

The Stratford club notified the O.H.A. yesterday that they intended to place teams in the junior and senior series. The Kingston Frontenacs will play junior and senior. They wish to thank the delegates who were at the annual convention for electing James S. Stuchlik to the executive.

Niagara Falls wants two intermediate O. H. A. teams. The Maple Leafs are already in, and the West Ends want a few more. A senior and junior team at the first executive meeting. St. Catharines will also have an intermediate team, and will play their games in Welland.

The Markdale and Baden clubs want to be reinstated. They were suspended last year. H. S. Gemmill of Winnipeg writes as follows: "As secretary-treasurer of the Winnipeg Intermediate Hockey League, I am instructed to ask you if you would be good enough to furnish our committee with a copy of the constitution now used by the O.H.A.? Knowing it to be one of the finest athletic organizations on the continent, we are desirous of putting our league on a sound foundation by adopting its constitution."

Matinee at Montreal. The first meeting of the ice-racing season in Montreal was held at Doherty's Park today, with a race for trotters and a day for pacers. No particular mark specified in either case. The results were:

Class A (trot): Rachel (Don Parte) 1 4 1 Bay Billy (A. Lavery) 2 3 3 Nancy C. (Bowden) 2 3 3 Lady L. (Langwin) 4 2 4 Time—2:25½, 2:31, 2:35.

Class B (pace): Jerry Swing (H. Swift) 1 1 Alexander Roddard 2 2 Paddy Swing (P. St. Vincent) 3 3 Jim L. (P. St. Vincent) 4 4 Time—2:35½, 2:35.

R.C.B.C. Theatre Party. The Royal Canadian Bicycle Club's theatre party Friday night has been arranged, and nearly all the tickets sold, although a few good seats remain. Seats and their entire company have signified their intention of attending the dance to be held at the clubhouse after the performance. There will be refreshments and dancing until 2 a.m. Members and their friends who find it inconvenient to attend the theatre may secure badges for the dance at the clubhouse.

Sidelights. Joe West blew into town last night and will be staying here the rest of the week. Joe intends having a few workouts on the alleys on which he is going to roll the match with the Sudbury crack, Yachin.

Grace Hospital Medical Staff. At the annual meeting of the medical and surgical staffs of Grace Hospital, held Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected: Dr. Bruce L. Riordan, dean; Dr. R. A. Stevenson, vice-dean; Dr. J. H. McConnell, secretary-treasurer; executive committee, Drs. James Caven, G. P. Sylvester, A. O. Hastings, W. H. Hendrie, D. W. McPherson and J. M. Cotton. A number of prominent surgeons and physicians were added to the staff and promotions were recommended.

Hockey Gossip

McMaster University Hockey Club will enter teams in both the Junior and the Intercollegiate Hockey Union.

It is expected the intermediate series of the Intercollegiate Union in the city will be composed of Variety II, McMaster and Trinity.

The Toronto Rowing Club will decide definitely at a meeting next Saturday night just how many teams they will have in the O. H. A. this season.

Arlington A. C. would like to enter a hockey team in some boys' hockey league, average age 15. Please answer at once to Mr. S. Samuels, 383 West Richmond street.

The Scotch Thistle hockey team will again play at the Variety rink this season, and Scotty McKay expects another couple of cups this winter to keep captured on the ice. The team has already captured a cup in the city and is more than likely that the London player will have a senior and a junior team this year, and they will apply for Scotty McKay at the Variety Stadium.

The University Athletic Association has installed three of the largest outside hockey rinks in the city at the university's new stadium, besides a fine new pleasure skating rink, with a band three nights a week. These rinks will be lit by the finest lights that can be secured.

The Methodist Young Men's Athletic Association met last night at the Fred Victor Mission and organized their hockey for the coming season. There will be ten teams in the junior series and ten in the senior. The league will be divided into two sections, one for junior and one for senior, and five clubs will play in each section. Each club will be responsible for the securing of their own ice, and the games will be played on the city hall rink, at the corner of the city hall and the police station.

At the Toronto Bowling Club last night the Tonnage Dept. of Dominion Express, captained by Don Barron, clashed with Bill McGaffey's team from the city ticket office of the Grand Trunk, and after the smoke of battle had cleared away it was plainly seen that Bill and his band of ticket-sellers had been completely routed. In all three games, Barron, for Dominion Express, was high, and after the balance, figures speak for themselves. The scores follow:

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