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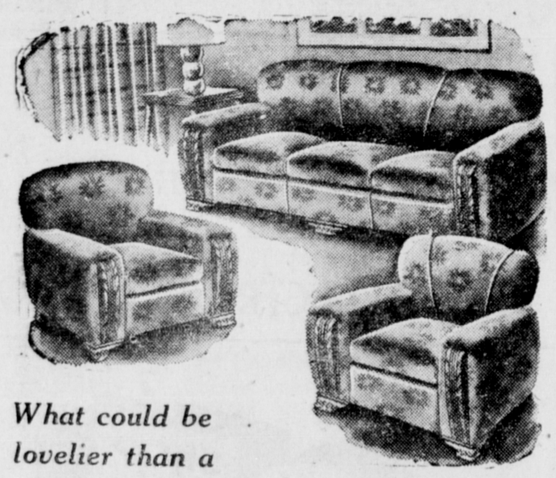

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BETTING AT RACE TRACKS

Over $42,000,000 Was Wagered In Canada During Year 1945

During the 1945 horse racing season in Canada a total of $42,193,258 was wagered through the pari-mutuel machines. This was $5,125,059 more than was wagered in 1944 and the largest amount bet since the record amount of $45,580,845 in 1929.

In 1945, the Dominion Department of Agriculture supervised pari-mutuel betting at the tracks of 26 racing associations, which held 35 race meetings for a total of 307 days' racing, nine more days than there was racing in 1944. Trotting or harness racing do not come under the supervision of the department.

Supervised horse racing is held in six provinces. Ontario, with 98 days' racing accounted for a total of $25,907,764 wagered, at which $17,459,110 was clicked through the windows at four tracks in Toronto with 56 days' racing. Hamilton, Fort Erie, Niagara Falls and Ottawa absorbed the balance of $8,448,654. British Columbia wagered $6,859,334 durat four tracks. About 80 per cent ing the 56 days the horses ran of the total was bet at three tracks in Vancouver in 42 days, and the remainder at one track in Victoria which had 14 day's racing.

In Manitoba $3,869,183 was wagered in 28 days at two tracks in Winnipeg.

Money waged in Alberta totalled $2,667,823 in 39 days, 19 at Edmonton, 19 at Calgary and one at Claresholm where a one day meet rang up $1,279 in bets.

In 70 days racing in Quebec $2,179,529 was rung up in the pari-mutuels at four tracks in Montreal.

The largest amount wagered at one meet was $2,419,059 at the spring meeting at Woodbine Park, Toronto.

During the 1945 season, $1,588,345 was paid in prize money to the owners of winning horses.

Government Takes Big Cut

The Dominion Government takes five per cent of every dollar wagered on race tracks, the provincial government takes five to 10 per cent—five in Alberta and Saskatchewan, five and one-half in Quebec, seven in British Columbia and 10 per cent in Ontario and Manitoba. The racing association takes seven per cent on the first $20,000 bet on each race, and one per cent less as the total bets advance by $10,000 with the minimum at three per cent.

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Today in Sports

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National Hockey League clubs participated in two exhibition games Thursday night. In Lachine, Quebec, the Montreal Canadiens trounced the Lachine Rapids 18-6. In Saint Hyacinthe, Lestear Patrick's New York Rangers thumped the Saints 10-1. Both the Rapids and the Saints are members of the Provincial Senior Hockey League.

In a scheduled Quebec League encounter in Sherbrooke, the Victoriaville Stars defeated the Sherbrooke Randies 5-2 and advanced into a second place tie with the Saint Hyacinthe Saints. Nine points ahead, and leading the league, the Lachine Rapids.

The baseball congress, meeting in Columbus, Ohio, has approved a $150,000 budget to develop non-professional baseball in 1946. Half of the expenditure is earmarked for the promotion of town and industrial baseball. Other congress plans include publishing of 500,000 free rule books, the formation of a minimum of 200 leagues, the awarding of 550 trophies to recognized league and tournament champions, free instruction to three thousand members of the National Association of Non-Professional Umpires and the creation of a minimum of 300 district tourneys to qualify teams in 48 state championship meets. These will precede the twelfth annual national finals which will be held at Wichita, Kansas, on August 16 to 28.

At the end of the second round of the $10,00 Miami Open golf tourament yesterday, the old Iron Master — Henry Picard—took a one-stroke lead over the defending champion, Dutch Harrison. Picard, playing his first tourney after a six-month layoff, scored a three under par 67 yesterday for a total card of 136. Harrison's 68 yesterday gave him a 36-hole total of 137. The pre-tourney favorite, Ben Hogan, is tied with Orville White Jug McSpaden, Fred Annon and Jim Ferrier at 140.

In Truro, Nova Scotia, last night, the Pictou Refitters swamped the New Glasgow Bombers 13-3 in the second game of the Antigonish-Pictour-Colchester pre-season series for the Memorial Cup.

SCHEDULE FOR LADIES' BOWLS

Following schedule for the Ladies' Bowling League is announced:

December 11—Lucky Strikes vs. Boom Defence, Edmunds & Walker vs. Bankers, Moose vs. Post Office, Orange Lodge vs. Watts and Nickerson, Savoy vs. Annettes, Big Sisters vs. Variety.

December 13—Ideal Cleaners vs. Boom Defence.

December 18—Moose vs. K. C., Orange Lodge vs. Boom Defence, Annettes vs. Lucky Strikes, Savoy vs. Watts & Nickerson, Big Sisters vs. Bankers, Edmunds & Walker vs. Post Office.

December 20—Lucky Strikes vs. Orange Lodge.

January 8—Annettes vs. Watts & Nickerson, Lucky Strikes vs. Savoy, Big Sisters vs. Edmunds & Walker, Variety vs. K. C., Post Office vs. Bankers, Orange Lodge vs. Ideal Cleaners.

January 10 — Edmunds & Walker vs. Variety.

January 15—Variety vs. Post Office, Big Sisters vs. Moose, Watts & Nickerson vs. Boom Defence, K. C. vs. Edmunds & Walker, Annettes vs. Orange Lodge, Lucky Strikes vs. Ideal Cleaners.

January 17—Ideal Cleaners vs. Savoy.

January 22—Savoy vs. Boom Defence, Annettes vs. Ideal Cleaners, Lucky Strikes vs. Watts & Nickerson, Big Sisters vs. Post Office, Moose vs. Variety, K. C. vs. Bankers.

January 24—Moose vs. Bankers

January 31—Watts & Nickerson vs. Ideal Cleaners, K. C. vs. Post Office, Boom Defence vs. Annettes, Bankers vs. Variety, Edmunds & Walker vs. Moose, Orange Lodge vs. Savoy.

February 2 — Big Sisters vs. K.C.

ATOM BACKGROUND

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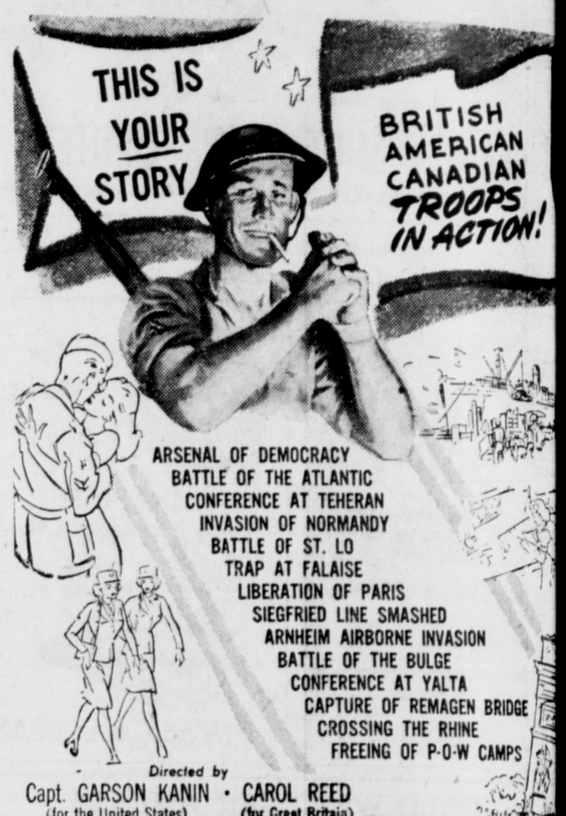

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