

# Swaps 1-3 Favorite In Winner-Take-All Match Race Today

CHICAGO (UP) — Swaps and Nashua meet at Washington Park today in their \$100,000 winner-take-all match race with honors as both three-year-olds of 1955 and horse of the year virtually certain to go to the winner as added prizes.

Swaps, owned by Rex Ellsworth of California and unbeaten in eight three-year-old starts, was the 1 to 3 odds-on favorite in the early line, while Nashua, owned by William Woodward Jr. of New York and beaten only by Swaps in nine races this year, was 6 to 5.

The chance that the faster of the two speedballs would come up with a new record for their mile and on quarter dash, with equal weights of 126 pounds, apparently disappeared Monday night during a two- and one-half inch rain.

The downpour turned the track muddy Tuesday and the best expected today was a rating of "good." Hence it was unlikely the winner could clip the track record of 2:00 2-5 set by Ponder in 1949, let alone the world mark of 1:58 1-5 hung up by Noor in 1950.

The off track was expected to favor Nashua, who will break from the inside post position, particularly because the Woodward colt, sired by Nasrullah out of Segula, has been training on an off track at Saratoga.

Jockey Eddie Arcaro, slated to ride Nashua, announced "there will be no excuses," while Willie Shoemaker, to pilot Swaps, said "I expect to win."

The horses have met only once previously, in the Kentucky Derby when Swaps gained a length and one half victory.

A win for Nashua would lift him to third place in the all time earnings figures behind Citation and Sycamore, and also would put him less than \$20,000 short of Citation's single season earnings record of \$709,470 as a three-year-old. A victory for Swaps would lift him to 12th in all time earnings.



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## Hamilton Club Cinches Flag

By UNITED PRESS

Hamilton wrapped up the Pony League pennant Tuesday night, smashing Corning, 12-4, to move an insurmountable eight and a half games in front of Bradford.

Only six games remain on the Red Wings regular schedule and they can coast into the playoffs.

Reliever Jere Hill pitched superbly for Hamilton, allowing Corning only one run in seven innings. Eddie Lyons, Al Zimmer and Bill Brown each had three hits for the Red Wings.

Erie continued its last - ditch drive to gain the playoffs by twice defeating Hornell, 4-1 and 7-2. The double win pulled Erie within a game and a half of fourth-place Corning.

The Senators scored all their runs in the fifth inning to clinch the opener, Ted Sepkowski doubling home two of the tallies. Dario Rubenstein walloped a grand slam homer for Erie in the nightcap while teammate Ed Hintze hit two out of the park with the bases empty.

Clean owned Jamestown, 4-2, with Paul Owen accounting for two of the winner's runs with a home run and a single.

Wet grounds forced postponement of the Bradford-Wellsville game.

## POLISH TEAMS CLASH

A Labor Day baseball game between Central Council Polish National Alliance Youth 168 and a PNA team from Lackawanna is scheduled at 3 p.m. Monday on Gilmore Field. Michael Kiesel Jr. coaches the local team and Joseph Rutkowski, the opposition. The teams are meeting for the fifth time this season.

## Confident Ez Is Underdog

CLEVELAND (UP) — Heavyweight Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson risks his number three ranking against ex-champion Ezzard Charles tonight for a \$10,000 guarantee in their return TV-radio 10-rounder at the arena.

A defeat would be a serious setback for the fantastically unorthodox young fighter from Far Rockaway, N. Y., who is gunning for a title shot next year.

However, 23-year-old Jackson is favored at 8-5 to beat 34-year-old Charles again. In their previous bout at Syracuse, N. Y., on Aug. 3, Tommy swarmed all over ancient Ezzard and won an upset unanimous decision.

Should fifth-ranking Charles suffer his third defeat of 1955 tonight, he'll probably give up hopes of recapturing the crown and hang up his gloves. He's already had three chances to regain it — one against Jersey Joe Walcott and two against Rocky Marciano.

Ezzard was so desperately confident of turning the tables on lanky Jackson tonight that he guaranteed him \$10,000 for the rematch. Cincinnati will take the total purses for both fighters — \$8,000 from TV-radio and 55 per cent of the net gate. Then he will pay ten grand to Jackson. It will be Tommy's largest remuneration.

Anything that's left after the guarantee will be Charles' pay for the night.

DAVIS OVER JORGENSEN  
HOUSTON, Tex. — Teddy (Red Top) Davis, 131, Hartford, Conn., outpointed Paul Jorgensen, 129, Houston, Tex. (10).

## Martinez Buys Mat Interests

BUFFALO (UP) — Ed Don George, three-time holder of the world's heavyweight wrestling championship and a finalist in the 1928 Olympics at Amsterdam, has sold the Upstate Athletic Club and its far-flung wrestling interests to Ignacio (Pedro) Martinez of Rochester.

The purchase price was reported to be \$100,000. The deal was closed here Tuesday.

The new owner said he planned to move here from Rochester within a week. He expects to stage his first local wrestling show at Memorial Auditorium in mid-September.

George bought out wrestling interests here and began operating under the Upstate A. C. franchise in 1948. He and Martinez were partners in the local enterprise in those early years.

George, who recently returned from a trip to California, said his plans were indefinite but added that he might move to the Pacific Coast in the not-too-distant future.

HAMMER WINS  
MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — Mike Hammer, 182½, Detroit, outpointed Hans Friedrich, 196, Germany (10).

# S P O R T S



## Vast Improvements Are Slated At Sheridan Park Golf Course

Plans for revising the layout of Sheridan Park Golf Course at an estimated cost of \$50,000 have been approved by Tonawanda Town Board.

Board members may call a hearing date at next week's meeting. Supervisor Henry J. De Witt Jr. said today.

Proposed revamping of the course calls for construction of three new greens, four new tees, removal, planting and transplanting of trees and other improvements.

The remodeling program will lengthen the course from its present 5,689 yards to 6,490 yards — tournament length.

Fairway and greens arrangements will be switched to permit golfers to play nine holes and finish at the clubhouse or play the full 18 and end at the clubhouse.

Presently, the ninth hole is located near Woodward Ave., some distance from the clubhouse.

Plans prepared by A. Russell Tryon, town planning consultant, also call for moving the present clubhouse or building an entirely new one.

Cost of a new building is not included in the estimate. The clubhouse will be located near the old picnic grove near Sheridan Drive.

New holes to be constructed will be known as 14, 15 and 16. Fourteen is a 500-yard, par 5 hole; 15 a 400-yard, par 4, and 16 a 365-yard, par 4. Fourteen and 15 are dog legs.

New bridges will be constructed on holes 12 and 15 and a watering system installed for the three new greens and fairways.

Councilman Walter M. Kenney said revising the course layout will eliminate hazards to the well-being of golfers and persons living nearby.

Tees at the No. 1 and 2 holes are too close together under the present arrangement. Balls also have been hit into yards of adjacent property owners, he said.

Kenney said that by increasing the course to tournament length, it may mean bringing the National Public Links Tourney to the town in the future.

It is hoped the revamping can be completed by next spring, he said.

Revising the course will not make it easier to play but the changes will eliminate unnecessary lost balls which plague even the best golfers on some of the present holes.

## Freeman Is Ruled Best 'Reliever' In Major Loops

NEW YORK (UP) — Cincinnati Manager Birdie Tebbetts insists Red Sox rejectee Hershel Freeman is "the best relief pitcher in the National League today — and perhaps in both leagues as well."

Freeman, a 27-year-old part-Cherokee Indian who came to the Redlegs from the Red Sox on waivers two months ago, has more than filled the bullpen vacancy caused by Frank Smith's transfer to the Cardinals, according to Tebbetts.

"This fellow Freeman is almost too good to be true," declared the Redleg manager. "He already has worked in 44 games for us and thinks nothing of pitching in both ends of a doubleheader."

"I saw him pitch for Louisville when I was managing Indianapolis in the American Association two years ago," Tebbetts says. "In my reports to the parent Cleveland club, I rated Ray Narleski, who was with us then, as outstanding and Freeman just as good if not better."

Tebbetts wasted no time in putting the husky 6 foot, 3 inch Freeman to work and the ex-American Leaguer wasted equally little time producing.

Freeman's best pitch is a sinking fast ball, and he claims he's "tickled to death" he was sold from Boston to Cincinnati. Take it from Tebbetts, the feeling is mutual.

Princeton and Country Lad also go.

Czar Spencer, from the Creek-side Stable of Buffalo, is the 5-2 morning line choice in the 3-year-old trotters' stake, the fifth race. The juvenile gelded son of Walter Spencer has won in 2:08 at the Downs. A newcomer is Vithavin, recent winner in 2:06 and 2:06 1-5, in stake events at the Springfield, Ill. Grand Circuit meet. John Caton will drive the Mc 1 Win filly owned by Hugh Grant and Del Miller.

Patsy, sporting Charlie Wingate's colors, has the pole position in the B Class pace, the six race. The mare has finished second in each of her last two trips at the Downs. Ann Pointer and Sun Rise Dilly, both last-time-out winners, are also in the field.

Co-feature for trotters, the eighth race, finds Garland Garnsey's Dean Mite assigned the 5-2 opening line choice. Meda Hanover and Dusty Bing are among the other hopefuls.

Basilio Challenges  
ALEXANDRIA BAY (UP) — Welterweight champion Carmen Basilio has his eye on Bobo Olson's middleweight crown.

Basilio issued a challenge to Olson Tuesday from his training camp where he is preparing for a non-title bout with Gil Turner in September at Syracuse.

The welterweight king said, however, he wants an opportunity to defend his own crown before tackling Jolson who is scheduled to meet Sugar Ray Robinson on Nov. 5.

## Pacers and Trotters Share Attractive Card at Batavia

Two events for pacers and a pair of trotting tests, for total purse money of \$6,100, mark the attractive mid-week harness racing program at Batavia Downs tonight.

Sharing feature honors are a BB Class pace for \$1,400 and an early closing stake trot, "The Avon," for \$2,700. B class pacers and trotters each go for \$1,000 in the other two top events.

Skeeter Salyer, 8-year-old gelding owned and driven by Frank Popfinger of Wexford, Pa., moves into odds-on competition in the seventh race. The BB class sidewheelers has been racing at Grandview Oval near Cleveland and holds a best win mark for the season of 2:06 4-5.

Dolores Grattan, reined by Joe Hodgins, is the 3-1 opening line choice while Eddie Wheeler's good mare, Christie Hanover, drew the rail position. Meadow Royal, Carlisle Hanover, Harold Abbe,

Chiefs saw their hopes for a play off spot dwindle when they dropped a 5-4 decision to the Buffalo Bisons in 10 innings.

Five victories in their remaining eight games would clinch fourth place for the Red Wings.

The Leafs downed the Sugar Kings for the second straight time Tuesday night, 5-3, on an error by the Cubans' Asdrubal Baro, while the Royals were rained out in their game with the Columbus Jets. The Leafs had tied the score in the sixth inning on two walks and three hits and then moved in front to stay in the next inning on Baro's miff of a fly ball with two on.

The Sugar Kings rallied in the ninth, chasing starter Eddie Blake, but Jack Crimian came in to preserve the victory by retiring two men, leaving the bases full.

All three contenders have eight games left to play. The season ends on Labor Day, Sept. 5.

The Rochester Red Wings moved to within five wins of clinching the all-important fourth-place, the last playoff spot, by defeating the last-place Richmond Virginians, 6-1, while the fifth-place Syracuse

Martinsville Hopes To Break Famine  
Martinsville hopes to loosen the stranglehold held by the Genesee Warriors at 6:15 p.m. today on Payne's diamond.

The two clubs collide in the fourth game of their series with the Warriors holding a 3-0 edge. Martinsville has been on the short end of 4-1, 5-0, and 5-4 scores to date.

\* VERNON RAINED OUT  
VERNON (UP) — Tuesday night's harness racing program at Vernon Downs was rained out. The wash-out left the three - quarter mile track with just three nights remaining on its 1955 schedule.

As a result of the postponement, tonight's card will feature five trophy races.

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### 2 Class 'A' Tilts Scheduled Today For Twin Cities

Two games are scheduled for the Twin Cities today in the opening of the Western New York Amateur Softball Association Class "A" tournament.

President Elmer Pickard announced the Third Ward Social Club will meet Santins at Kohler Field while the Eldredge Club goes against Frawley's at Felton Field.

In a third Class "A" contest in Buffalo, the Swallows play the Ullrich Club at Riverside. All games start at 6 o'clock, Pickard said.

CONCENTRATES ON BODY  
GROSSINGER, N.Y. (UP) — Rocky Marciano, the heavyweight champion who defends his title against Archie Moore in New York, Sept. 20, rapidly is rounding into shape. The champ worked four rounds with sparring partners Tuesday, concentrating on body blows.

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