

FINE RACE CARD AT COUNTRY CLUB

Day Break Wins 2:16 Trot, While 2:14 Pace Goes to Josephine.

LATTER SETS NEW RECORD

Each Event Requires Three Heats With Close Finishes—Buster Brown Takes Half-Mile Run, With Hagerdani Second.

BY W. J. PETRAIN.
The racing card introduced to the patrons at the opening of the Portland Country Club and Livestock Association's Pacific National meet yesterday was of the character that should tend to increase the interest in harness events in this vicinity 100 per cent. In fact a better series of races, or a more capably handled meet can scarcely be accredited any other city in America. This is so despite the fact that this is the first meet to be held in Portland for several years, and the members of the directorate of the association deserve special praise for the capable manner in which they presented their opening programme.

The crowd present was not quite as large as had been expected, but this is readily explained in several ways. In the first place many of those who did attend had failed to read the notices and advertisements of the transportation facilities to and from the new park. As these visitors were somewhat inconvenienced, so also must have been large numbers of others who undoubtedly would have attended, and can be expected to do so today and also during the remainder of the meet.

Speed Events Thrill Crowds.

It was an ideal day and an excellent card. The officials could not have selected a more auspicious opening date for a more favorable list of entries than those of yesterday. From start to finish the programme was one huge success, and the glorious finishes of Joe McGuire's Day Break in the 2:16 trot, and H. Rutherford's Josephine, in the 2:14 pace, furnished thrills enough to satisfy the most exacting fanatics for the harness racing game.

own. Such events as those of yesterday, when a new and untried track was thrown open to the public and the equine performers inaugurated their first appearance by equaling state records, only serve to stimulate a well-deserved interest in the sport to be had by visiting the new track.

From the time that Rutherford's bay mare, Josephine, by Zolock, out of Lady May, set a new state record by pacing the first heat of the 2:14 pace for the Open River stakes in 2:07 1/2, the listening-day crowd was keenly on edge.

Ray O'Light Good Second.

The start was fairly good. Only four of eight entries being on hand at the signal to go, Starter Harriman had little difficulty in getting them off. Cleopatra was a trifle in the lead as they passed the wire, but at the first quarter Josephine came up and easily passed the from mare. At the half Ray O'Light made a strong bid to even matters with Josephine, but the Rutherford entry, with her owner driving, held her advantage nicely. Following her came the bidder and L. C. Shell's bay mare, Bonnie M., and Cleopatra. They rounded the far turn and entered the stretch in the order named, Josephine being about 22 lengths ahead of Cleopatra, the fourth horse, and the others being close up. The race was won in a drive, Erwin bringing Cleopatra up in time to secure third place, while Ray O'Light took second to Josephine, with Bonnie M. fourth.

In the second heat the Shell mare did better, even though she broke just after the start. Driver Hogeboom brought her down nicely and, once settled into her stride she rapidly crawled up on the leaders. Her handicapper, however, was too great for her to overtake Josephine and Ray O'Light, but she succeeded in gaining third place. Cleopatra, the finish between Josephine and Ray O'Light was one of the most exciting of the day, and was probably only exceeded in the last heat. Rutherford had his mare in hand all the way, and seemed never to doubt her ability to maintain her clip. His judgment proved correct, for she came into the stretch with a fair lead and maintained it to the wire. Whitehead's drive of Ray O'Light down the stretch caused the utmost excitement, for he perceptibly gained on the Rutherford mare for a short distance. The leader held her advantage safely and claimed the second heat.

Record for New Track.

The third and last heat of this race witnessed a great finish, and while the time was a trifle faster than the previous heat, it was hardly as exciting for Josephine took the lead at the half, and while challenged gamely by Ray O'Light, manifested no difficulty in winning. Her time in the three heats was 2:07 1/2, 2:08 3/4, and 2:08 3/4. Josephine's time in first heat is a world's record for a new track, and is ample testimony to the fact that the Portland Country Club and Livestock Association has one of the best racetracks in the world. It was a remarkable occurrence, and when Starter Judge Harriman announced it as a record for a new track, the crowd applauded enthusiastically.

Like the pacing event, the trotters also settled honors in three heats. Joe McGuire's Day Break, the splendid bay gelding with which he won the Lewis and Clark stake at Salem last week, again demonstrated her superiority over her field by winning the Commercial Club purse in three straight heats, all of which were made in less than 2:12. The McGuire gelding, in the last heat, equalled the Oregon state record made at Salem last week of 2:10 3/4, which feat gives promise of better results later in the week.

None of the best trotters ever entered on the Northwest circuit started in this event. McGuire's entry, owing to his



COLONEL L. R. HARRIMAN IN THE STARTER'S STAND.

performance at Salem, ruled as the favorite among the spectators, but there were many present who favored Warlow & Walton's Nogi and W. W. Ashley's Henry Gray. Nogi succeeded in annexing third place, but that was the best account he could give of himself. This despite the fact that in the first and third heats he held the lead for several furlongs.

In the first heat Day Break got away in the ruck of a bad start, but offset this disadvantage by overtaking all but Nogi at the half-mile post. The veteran owner of the Salem star took his entry wide at the far turn and, circling clear around Nogi, beat him into the stretch by a good length. This seemed to cause Walton to slacken his efforts for General H., driven by Haag, had no difficulty in passing the red cap and won second with ease. Lady W., who made no further showing, gained fourth place in this heat.

The second heat when he broke immediately after the start, and his owner, who was driving, failed to get him into his stride until after the quarter pole had been passed and the leaders were so far ahead that it was impossible to overtake them. In this heat Day Break again demonstrated his sterling staying powers, and while given a hard drive to beat General H., scored nicely.

Nogi Again Sets Pace.

In the third heat Nogi again set the pace, but was unable to hold the advantage gained at the start. McGuire brought his horse up neatly, and in one of the cleverest drives of the day captured the third successive heat and a big event. General H. gained second place for the third time. Nogi came in third and was given that position in the finals. Della Derby took fourth money.

In this race, Henry Gray, whose bad luck in the earlier heats caused his admirers to believe that he would make a better showing, sustained another accident. This time the shafts to the

colts broke, and caused his retirement from the contest. Sain Royal and Patsy Rice were off their stride and neither made a showing. Both entries had their admirers, and while their showing yesterday was not up to expectations they are capable entries and may give trouble to the stars later in the week.

College Maid, the wonderful guideless pacer, gave a most unique exhibition of pacing a mile without a driver, and incidentally beating her own mark of 2:09 made at Salem last week. The wonderful mare paced the mile over the new track yesterday in 2:08 3/4, a feat that would be creditable to any of the other horses at the track when driven to walk. When her time was flashed in the boxes at the judges' stand, the crowd cheered enthusiastically. Later, it was announced that she would be one of the animals sold at the auction to be held in conjunction with the stock show on Thursday.

The half-mile running event witnessed six of the eight entries facing the barrier, as the starter sent them on their way. J. Stephenson's brown gelding, Buster Jones, won in a fine drive by Jockey J. E. King, with W. J. Buchholz Hagerdani second and Fred T. Merrill's Sallie Goodwin third. Time 0:48 1/4. Fred Merrill's Intini became fractious at the start, and got away badly, and ran away with her boy.

Events Timed by Quarters.

Time of yesterday's races by quarters:

Race	Quarter	Half	Three-quarters	Time
2:14 pace	0:31	1:03	1:35	2:07 1/2
Second heat	0:32	1:04	1:36	2:08 3/4
Third heat	0:31 1/2	1:02 3/4	1:36	2:08 3/4
2:16 trot	0:32 1/2	1:04 1/2	1:36	2:11 1/4
Second heat	0:33	1:05	1:37 1/2	2:11 3/4
Third heat	0:32 1/2	1:05	1:38	2:10 3/4

College Maid's new world record by quarters:

Exhibition mile	0:30	1:02	1:35	2:08 3/4
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Today is Inland Empire day, with the following racing card to be run off: Board of Trade purse, \$400, 2-year-old trotter; Chamber of Commerce purse, \$600, 3-year-old pacers; trotting, \$1000, 2:27 class; special, running race, \$100, five-eighths mile.

RACING AT CLACKAMAS FAIR

Three Days' Meet Will Open Thursday, October 1.

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 21.—(Special.)—The card for the three days' racing meeting at the Clackamas County second annual fair at Canby, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 1, 2 and 3, has just been announced. The running races will be under the rules of the Pacific Coast Running Association, and the trotting races under the rules of the National Trotting Association. The half-mile track, though new, is in excellent condition.

A feature of the first day's programme is a slow trotting race, similar to those held at the county fairs in Eastern states, where the slowest horse gets the capital prize. No whips are used, and the judges choose the drivers

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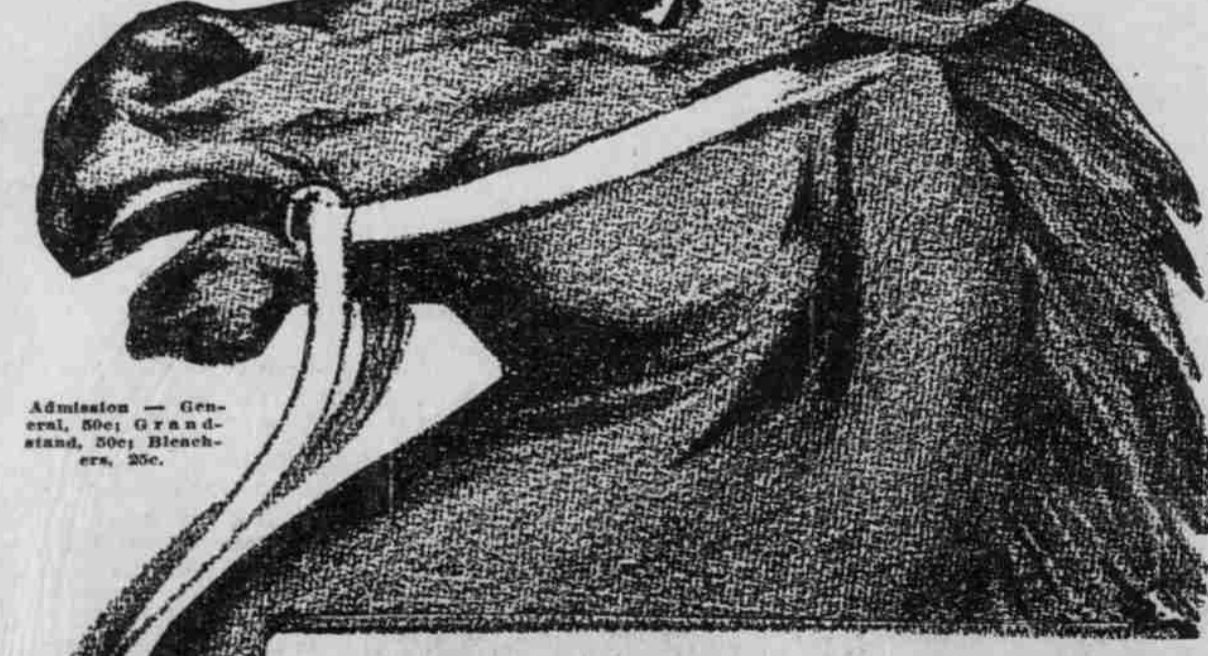
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from among the owners of horses entered. The programme follows:
First day, October 1.—Running race, three-quarter mile dash, purse \$50—First, \$25; second, \$15; third, \$10. Three entries to start. Slow trotting race, one mile, purse \$50—Last horse, \$10; next, \$10; next \$5. Four entries to start. Horses to be under 15 years of age. Special running and trotting races between matched horses.
Second day, October 2.—Running race, half mile and repeat, Hamby purse of \$50 with \$50 added by the fair association—First, \$50; second, \$25; third, \$15. Four entries to start. Trotting race, for Clack-

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Daybreak trots fastest mile ever trotted in Oregon.
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TODAY'S RACES:
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INLAND EMPIRE DAY
Board of Trade purse, \$400, 2-year-old trotters.
Chamber of Commerce purse, \$600, 3-year-old pacers.
Trotting, \$1000, 2:27 class.
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