

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS

Jockey Earl Sande Without Job As Racing Season Start Nears

New York—(U.P.)—Earl Sande, one of the greatest jockeys ever to slip into a pair of riding boots, is approaching the start of another New York racing season with a heavy heart . . . and without a job.

The "handy guy" who rode three Kentucky Derby winners and then switched to training horses when his riding days were over sat in a restaurant hard by Belmont Park and told of the hard luck that has pursued him in recent years.

"I've had a few offers to train horses, but they haven't amounted to much," Sande said as he alternately sipped coffee and wrung those still-powerful looking hands that had held the reins

of such champion thoroughbreds as Zev, Man O'War and Gallant Fox.

"Some guys have approached me about training a couple of horses, but I don't want that. I'd like to get a job training for a good stable but jobs like that aren't available these days."

Rifle Club Slates Shoot

Medford Rifle and Pistol club will hold an indoor smallbore sectional rifle tournament on March 29 and 30 at Merrick's range.

There will be matches of 20 shots, each, prone, sitting, kneeling and standing with another match to consist of the aggregate of these scores. An international aggregate will be tallied from the sitting, kneeling and standing scores.

A match for four man teams will also be held.

Post entries will be accepted up to the limit of 96 total entries. Firing on Saturday will be 6 to 10 p.m. and on Sunday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Medford Rifle team No. 1 and Yreka, Calif., recently tied for second in the California-Oregon Rifle league with 10 wins and two losses. Klamath Falls was first with 11 wins and one loss. Medford team No. 2 ranked 10th in the 13-team field with four wins and eight losses.

Sacramento Solons Buy Dillinger From Chisox

Pasadena—(U.P.)—Infielder Bob Dillinger, three-time base stealing champion of the American league, was sold Tuesday by the Chicago White Sox to the Sacramento Solons of the Pacific Coast league.

Purchase price was not disclosed, but was believed to be \$10,000 plus a player for the Sox' Memphis farm club.

CAMPANELLA HOT

Miami—(U.P.)—A few days ago the Dodgers were worried about catcher Roy Campanella, the National league's "most valuable player" of 1951, because he was too fat. Now the league pitchers are worried. In the last three days, Campy has blasted a homer and seven doubles and raised his spring batting average to .442.

ONE WAY TO TELL

Jacksonville, Fla.—(U.P.)—W. P. Weaver, head of the city parking meter department, has his own method of determining the extent of tourist trade. It is the number of pennies in five-cent parking meters. Weaver figures persons who put pennies in nickel meters are strangers to the city.

Boy Friend Admits Murdering Girl in San Francisco Park

San Francisco—(U.P.)—Ramon Rodriguez, 18, said Tuesday that his 17-year-old girl friend fought "like a wildcat" trying to beat him off before he pummeled, strangled and stripped her in San Francisco's Mission park.

Bandages covered the livid fingernail scratches left on his face by the young girl's desperate attempts to resist him.

Body Found in Bushes

The alleged killer was charged with suspicion of murder late Monday night, some 15½ hours after the body of "model student" Hilda Rose Pagan was found in bushes of the park within the shadow of the high school she attended.

The girl, regarded as a steady, churchgoing young citizen by her family and teachers, had numerous dates with Rodriguez before their fatal encounter, he told questioners.

Rodriguez Monday afternoon reenacted the crime for police. Officers had to string rope barricades to keep hundreds of the girl's fellow students and curious onlookers away from the spot where the boy killed her as she resisted his advances.

Rejected 'Proposition'

Denying he raped the girl, Rodriguez said she rejected a "proposition," then:

"I hit her and she began to fight back . . . like a wildcat. I hit her several times; I don't know how many."

Then, he continued, he went home and changed out of his blood-spotted clothes. Later he came back to the park and hid Hilda Rose's body after first tearing off her clothing to indicate she was the victim of a sex maniac.

HOW TO LOOK RIGHT

Champaign, Ill.—(U.P.)—A University of Illinois clothing specialist has four signposts to help women decide whether a dress needs fitting or altering to look "just right." They are: presence of wrinkles, seam lines pulled out of line, binding tightness or snugness in parts of the garment and parts that hang off balance.



DOFFING BLUE UNIFORMS to model latest in summer resort clothes, Pan American Airways stewardesses show "Flying Fashions of '52" in airliner high above California. Mary Enelm models swim suit for bay area department store executives. (International)

Repeal of Sunday Blue Law Sought by Washingtonians

Olympia—(U.P.)—An initiative to repeal the Sunday blue laws of 1909 has been filed by a Spokane committee describing itself as "an angry group of small business men."

"The committee for Repeal of Unpopular Legislation," headed by Thomas C. Kelley, submitted its initiative to Secretary of State Earl Coe who assigned it number 182.

Amusement Banned

The Sunday blue laws, or Sunday closing laws, ban the sale of food, uncooked meats and most other merchandise on Sunday. They also outlaw baseball games and other forms of amusement, such as theaters.

However, except for prohibiting the sale of liquor, the Sunday blue laws are seldom enforced to any degree.

Kelly said repeal of the laws would permit "the sale of food, clothing, merchandise, personal services and personal property at any and all times."

However, if the blue laws

were repealed it would be up to the State Liquor Control board to say whether or not liquor could be sold on Sunday. Joseph Lavin, assistant attorney general for the liquor control board, said the board now is prohibited by the blue laws from authorizing Sunday sales, but if the blue laws were repealed then the board would have sole authority to determine if liquor could be sold on the Sabbath.

Before the initiative can get on the general election ballot this November, its sponsors must secure at least 50,000 valid signatures of registered voters before midnight July 7.

VACATION SPURNED

Hadley, Mass.—(U.P.)—Alice Lawrence, a school teacher, was ready to faint when a dozen of her sixth-graders asked permission to go to school one day during a vacation week. The youngsters had been taking part in an audio-education program broadcast once each week. They wanted to be on that program.

Japanese Vessels Trapped by Ice Floe

Sendai, Japan—(U.P.)—A giant ice floe trapped a large Japanese fishing vessel and a rescue ship Tuesday off northern Hokkaido within sight of Russian-held Sakhalin island.

Heavy snowstorms brought distress signals from at least 15 other vessels in the same general area.

The Japanese coast guard immediately requested American aid for the ships, which were trapped in the straits of Soya-Haiko, the narrow neck of water separating U. S. forces stationed on Hokkaido from Soviet forces on Sakhalin.

The U. S. Army said the rescue ship, a destroyer-escort type operated by the Japanese coast guard, was trapped while trying to free the 50-ton fishing vessel Tsuru-Maru and its crew of 14.

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Canadians, Detroit Favorites In Stanley Cup Hockey Playoff

By United Press

The Detroit Red Wings and Montreal Canadiens, who finished 1-2 in the regular National Hockey league season, were favored to win the opening games in the Stanley cup semi-final playoffs Tuesday night at their home arenas.

Detroit, which won the NHL race by 22 points, entertains the third-place Toronto Maple Leafs, while the Canadiens play host to the fourth-place Boston Bruins. Sellout crowds are expected for each game.

The Red Wings, with the league's two top scorers in Gordie Howe and Ted Lindsay, and the Vezina trophy—winning goalie in Terry Sawchuk, were

in peak physical shape. However, during the regular season, they found the Leafs their toughest opponent, winning only six and tying four of 14 games.

Montreal was without the services of John McCormack, 26-year-old center who broke his left arm in last Saturday night's game. His place in the lineup was taken by Ken Mosdell.



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