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Red Smith

Gals Celebrate But Horses Say Neigh

PRINCESS MARGARET, one of the Jones girls; Al Lopez, genius of the White Sox; Hazel Weiss, general manager of the president of the New York Mets; and Catherine Coley Smith all have the same birthday. Some time Margaret and Al can't make it, but Hazel and Kay like to celebrate the occasion gambling at Saratoga. They're convent girls.

On the anniversary of the first race was called the Castlemans Avenue. This was a remarkable coincidence, for Kay grew up on Castlemans Avenue in St. Louis. She couldn't get over the coincidence.

"What was Castlemans Avenue?" she kept asking. "I don't remember a horse by that name. Is there such a street in Saratoga?"

She was allowed to sleep about 10 minutes or so. Finally she was advised that the New York Racing Association has given everywhere. They may not know which horses sneaked a bit of butanol before breakfast, but they mark the fall of every sparrow and no client's total day goes unobserved by them.

MATTER of fact, Saratoga always has been a charming gambling belt, notorious of the clientele. Back when Anne Clare was track superintendent, the ashes of a 42 player from Glenview, N. Y., arrived together with his testamentary request that they be scattered over the homestead.

Miss Clare disappeared, but the track maintenance crew was, and is, sentimental. Next morning when Anne arrived for work she demanded to know what that white powder was on the track.

"Looks like snow," she was told. "Coulda been a frost last night."

"Snow?" she said. "This is August. Get a broom and dustpan."

Obsequently the crew swept up the dust. Here in the powder was a knuckle, there a charred bit of fibula.

"You, there," Miss Clare said, "bring a spade."

A hole was dug under an elm in the infield. Miss Clare said a prayer and the hole was filled in.

At least," she said later, "parts of the poor man had a decent burial."

So it is not to be wondered at that Saratoga takes cognizance of birthdays. It went without saying that Kay and Hazel would bet numbers 2 and 1 in the daily double, since it was Aug. 21. They would also bet their ages.

"But separately," Hazel said, "and secretly."

"Right," Kay said. "Even if you win, I won't tell."

THERE'D been a piece in the morning paper about what a good jockey Bobby Urry was, and Kay was tempted to bet him in the first two races. However his mounts were numbers 4 and 4, and she isn't 44 this year. Urry was with both for \$71.10.

Happy birthday, Hazel said.

The third race was over, but Kay went along with the gravel-voiced little man who used to peddle hot sheets on the Long Island race track. He'd pace through the coaches crying his wares, promising seven winners on an eight-cent card, with the crazy explanation: "We do not pick to jumpers."

She passed the third race.

In the fourth she bet Shook, because that's how she was feeling. William Hagen Perry's Double Strings won.

"Why, I know Bill Perry," Kay said indignantly.

For three-year-olds fillies at seven furlongs. Kay bet No Resulting to win. At the place to show. It isn't easy to pick two horses out of seven who won't get in the money. She did.

Bill Perry had another in the sixth. Knightly Manner, and this time Kay went with him. Knightly Manner finished second and there was a foul claim. Maybe the horse would take down Gun Boat, the winner. They didn't.

The seventh was the Spinaway. The bet was George Widener's Magna Mater, which ran fast for a while and then stopped. The winner was Pettie Rouge.

"That's French," Hazel was told, "for little red."

"What happy returns?" Kay said.

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Invaders Cut

Swath Through U. S. Net Pairs

CHESTNUT HILL, Mass., Aug. 22 (UPI).—Horse teams were eliminated Thursday from the quarter final round of the National doubles tennis championships.

The ranking U. S. tandem of Billie Jean Moffit, of Long Beach, Calif., and Carole Caldwell shot of his seven par round well, of Santa Monica, Calif., at Anaheim, Calif., he blasted was unceremoniously dumped into the 19th cup from a saint Longwood, Clifton, N.J., trap.

The top seed, second women's teams, defenders Darlene Hard and Maria Bueno and Australian Margaret Smith and Robyn Kibbern, each collected 63, 67.

YANK MEN ADVANCE

Ranking men's teams moved up according to pre-measurement form as Uncle Sam's hopes.

They routed unruffled Jennings and Chausy Steele, 64, 63, 62.

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Besselink Wins Phila. Open,

Ends With Flourish on 18th

By BOB FACHET

Winning isn't enough for Al Besselink, the big blond better who is presently transferring his allegiance from Philmont CC to the Brimwood Golf Ranch. A Besselink performance just has to contain a dramatic flair.

Al apparently realized he'd failed to embrace Thursday's easy playoff victory in the Philadelphia Open golf championship with the proper heroic touch, so on the 18th and final shot of his seven par round well, of Santa Monica, Calif., at Anaheim, Calif., he blasted was unceremoniously dumped into the 19th cup from a saint Longwood, Clifton, N.J., trap.

It was really the only exciting and a 6-foot edge over Harvey Smith, Oak Terrace amateur. The three had tied at 144 over the regulation 36-hole distance Aug. 12.

TOPS IN EVERY PHASE

Big Al was superior in every department. His drives were superb, his irons were consistently accurate and his putting was needed only 20 strokes on the greens—was adequate to any hole.

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Conn. and Calif. In Little Final

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Aug. 22 (UPI).—Stratford, Conn., and Glendale Hills, Calif., were the last Thursday to meet for the Little League World Series baseball championship of the world.

The Stratford boys gave a heady display of fielding, but their opponents' first three, then rallied for four runs in the fifth inning to win the game.

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"What do you think, Bert?"



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We're off and running, newspaper viewers! Not long ago, I, Bert Piel, lowered the handicap on remarkable Piel's Beer (that means I brought Piel's to popular prices). Since then, many of you have built your winnings by taking advantage of my great generosity. And it's only horse sense to do so. After all, Harry hasn't changed a thing down in the brewing room. Piel's still has the smooth, refreshing flavor you've always loved. So don't be left at the gate—read for your dealer and pick up plenty of Piel's. The best way to serve it is, of course, ice cold.

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Tuscarora Wins Saratoga Chase

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