

Special Olympics successful despite being forced indoors

The second annual Knights of Columbus Special Olympics held over the weekend was another success as handicapped persons from all over the province took part in the two-day event.

The event started Friday with the swimming competition and wound up Saturday as the track and field events were held inside at the Physical Education Building at Regina Campus.

The meet was originally scheduled to be held at Douglas Park, but rain forced the events inside.

The action was thick and heavy in the track and field meet events as the contestants gave it all they had to win a first, second- or third-place ribbon.

Some outstanding performances were turned in as the athletes competed in a maximum of four events. Three participants, two in the girls' class and one in the boys', won three of their events.

Bernadette Gaetz of Regina won the 50- and 100-yard dashes and also the high jump. She missed a complete sweep by losing out in the broad jump.

Another triple-winger, Geraldine Davis of Maple Creek, placed first in the 100-yard, high jump and broad jump events. The other triple winner was Gordon Allan of Tisdale.

He picked up first-place ribbons in the 100-yard dash, high and broad jumps.

Dorothy Romachenko of Sas-

katoon placed first in two events and was second in another to win the group B, level 1. She was first in the 100-yard dash and the high jump and second in the 50-yard dash, placing behind

Brenda Ford of Maple Creek.

Gerald Elliot of Shaunavon won the group C, level 1. He scored firsts in the 50- and 100-yard dashes and finished second behind Cecil Constant of Kimstino in the high jump.

Almost all other events had double winners.

A number of Saskatchewan Roughriders were on hand to lend a hand in helping the KCs make the meet a success for the second year in a row.

Kennedy Road headed for United States try

TORONTO (CP) — "The question wasn't whether Kennedy Road would win the 112th running of the Queen's Plate—the question was, by how much?"

And Saturday, the big bay son of Victoria Park provided the answer—by 3½ lengths.

The crowd at Woodbine Race-track made him a 2-to-5 favorite.

His victory was worth \$54,388.75 of the gross purse of \$83,675. His backers received \$2.90, \$2.70 and \$2.70.

Governor-General Roland Michener presented 50 sovereigns on behalf of the Queen.

The next question is, how good is this horse? Owners Mr. and Mrs. Art Stollery plan to race him in the United States to find out.

Last year, as Canada's top two-year-old, Kennedy Road was sent to the Remsen Stakes at Aqueduct. The long-striding colt was involved in a tangle

with the second in two tries for 22-year-old jockey Sandy Hawley who won with Almoner last year.

And it was a Plate first, too, for Irish-born Jim Bentley, 67, Kennedy Road's trainer.

"He's the best horse I've ever trained," Bentley said.

Hawley, leading rider in North America last year, went to the post eight times on Saturday's nine-race card and won only once—but that was the big one.

"My horse didn't tire at the head of the stretch like some people thought," Hawley said.

"He was just waiting for horses to come to him. I hit him left-handed then to keep his mind on his business."

Stollery and Hawley had Chatty Cavalier picked as the horse to watch, but it didn't work out that way.

After a brief tussle with Winter Holiday, at 80 to 1 the long-

shot on the board, Speedy the backstretch, Briartic moved up on the inside and Kennedy Road moved in on Speedy Zephyr on the outside.

Approaching the half-mile pole, Speedy Zephyr had had enough and Chatty Cavalier made a move at the leaders, only to drop back on the last turn.

Midway through the last turn, Kennedy Road made his move.

He covered the 1¼ miles in 2:03, a full second over the race record of 2:02 set by his sire in 1960. The track record for the distance is 2:01 4/5, by Flying Trapeze, set in 1957.

Fabe Count, a 30-to-1 shot, hung in for second to win \$16,735 for owner Malcolm Smith and \$9.90 and \$5.60 for those who bet him to place and show. Smith won the Plate last year with Almoner.

Great Gabe, who went to the post at 50 to 1, picked up \$8,367.50 for owner Saul Wagman. He paid \$9 to show.