WOMEN RUN RACING STABLE FOR 'PIN-MONEY' AS RESULT OF WAGER WITH HUSBANDS-AND WIN

Mrs. R. Penn Smith, Jr., and Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark, Noted Horsewomen. Keep Enterprise Secret a Year Before Revealing Success to Doubting Friends

BUY INEXPENSIVE STEEDS AND TRAIN THEM TO BEAT COSTLY THOROUGHBREDS

Amaze Followers of Turf by Taking Three First Places in Single Season With Stable of \$500 Yearlings Pitted Against Best in Land

raced for fame, fortune and love.

Fortunes have been made and lost; joy has changed to despair-all as the result of one unfortunate bet.

year's experience with a racing stable for "pin money" belongs to Mrs. R. Penn Smith, Jr., and Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark.

road king, E. H. Harriman, was brought up on her father's motto, "Hang the expense, but make a good job of it."

The good job included teaching her everything there was to know about horses, and with unlimited matters equine Mrs. Smith became

ardent horse-lovers, his father, R. Penn Smith, of Strafford, being one of the best judges of horseflesh in this country and England.

an expert horsewoman.

"How funny!" they said when told of the pin-money plan. "Where did you ever get such an idea?"

fre of the sportswomen being aroused, they promptly offered to back up their ideas.

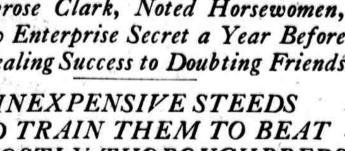
Clark had been buying horses and

the next season.

"S." said Mrs. Smith.

"Let me see. What are all their times?" she ruminated. "There is Susiana, a chestnut filly, and Syndicate, a bay filly; and 'Smatter, Pop, a another brown filly: Sentimental Tom-Sister Sue is my favorite, but she can't

There is a chance that her condition may improve next year, but now, even though she can't race, Mrs. Smith



MILLIONS of wagers have been laid on horses; men and women have

But the unique distinction of betting to uphold a theory and having a

Mrs. Smith, who was Carol Harriman, favorite daughter of the rail-

means to indulge her fondness for an expert horsewoman. Her husband comes of a line of

Mrs. Clark, who is the wife of the multi-millionaire sportsman, is also

The two undertook their venture, which is commanding the attention of the racing world, as the result of a statement they made half jokingly, half in carnest. Their friends laughed at them. So did their hus-

That was too much, of course. The

"We'll show you," they promised. And they began to "show them" last year at Saratoga, where the conversation that started it all took place. Both Mr. Smith and Mr.

paying about \$2000 each for them. "It is ridiculous to pay that much for a horse when you could get cheaper horses-and race them successfully, too," said their wives. And right there was when the

laughter sounded and where the women made their compact. They agreed to pool a certain amount of money with which they were to purchase yearlings, develop and train them, race them and then sell them the room as there was great evidence before the yearly stock sale on of it in her conversation August 1.

for about \$5000. They secured J. Simon Healy to train them. And they raced them to first place three times and won several seconds and

The only part of the bargain which they have yet to fulfill is to sell them, and this will take place at Syndicate racing on to victory. the Empire City track on July 27, Smith gives to the Syndicate trainer, the last day on which they can be sold in New York before the year- interest in the training of the horses, ling sale.

Kept Venture Secret for More Than a Year

Only their husbands, their trainer and a few members of the Piping time there was not a healthy horse in Rock and Meadowbrook Hunt Club coterie have known of the venture fun began again. which resulted from Mrs. Smith's and Mrs. Clark's agreement last year. That the Syndicate Stables belonged to two society women who, his appearance, but he was the first one by running them, disproved the old to break into the winning column. With daughter Carol measured up. It was "Efficiency" was Mr. Harriman's belief that the moneyed aristocrats one victory, a second and two thirds, this standard of his which enabled him acid test. Both his wife and daughter belief that the moneyed aristocrats one victory, a second and two thirds, he brought in \$1110 as his share, and he was claimed for \$2500, so that he was claimed for \$2500, so that he cally returned \$3610, over \$3000 more of the skillful stock mark.

The man you marry," he had told

two of the most prominent women in stable, in spite of his name! the social and racing worlds. And he wasn't worth a dime," said Mr. Healy. "I said. Why don't you give him away? If there is somepool the money it has made with body you want to do something to, what was left from the original fund why don't you give him that horse?"

The horses are mostly culls—you last year, and buy more horses for

"All the horses in the Syndicate Stables have names beginning with

7, a chestnut gelding : Sarsaparilla, a black colt; Scare Crow, a bay gelding, and Sister Suc, a bay filly. I think race now.



EFFICIENCY—the magic word which guided the life and works of E. H. Harriman, railroad king and father of Mrs. R. Penn Smith, Jr .- had its direct bearing upon the phenomenal results attained by his daughter in the field of horse training.

It was by virtue of his teaching that Carol Harriman learned to do everything thoroughly and energetically, with a determination to be satisfied with nothing short of the complete consummation of the end in view. Even her romance was governed by his

"The man you marry," said the great capitalist before he died, must be efficient in whatever he undertakes. That is the most important consideration. He must be a gentleman, a true sportsman, one who has not been married before. Money and social position are important, but they are not vital considerations."

R. Penn Smith, Jr., the hus-In his chosen field, the breeding and training of horses, he is acknowledged one of the foremost authorities. His efficiency is inage of twenty-five, the youngest man of that rank in the entire

Tall, slender, straight, she walked quickly into the room, and sit-They bought them-eight horses ting on the edge of a dull purple divan, she talked eagerly about her horses and the races they had won.

Nothing could seem more removed from the long, chintz-decorated room and the green quietude of the grounds than the noise and dust and confusion of the race track, and yet as Mrs. Smith talked the long porch in front of the room became a race course, and there before you were Scare Crow and

In spite of the credit which Mrs. both she and Mrs. Clark took a lively and no change in their condition escaped their notice. In the spring the Syndicate Stable was affected by the sickness that was abroad, and for a time it looked as if the project of the two women would have a tragic ending instead of meeting with success. At one the stable, but Mr. Healy brought most of them back to racing condition and the

Least Promising Horse

Proves Best Performer Scare Crow was named so because of

"When I saw the horse I thought

can't expect to get very fine horses for "You can't ever tell about He paused, a horse. Any horse that wins a radius of the horse in New York has got to be a good in New York has got to be a good in New York has declared, "because the best paged right horse," he declared, "because the best horses in the world are raced right

"Suslana ran second at the Empire track and third at Aqueduct. she and Sister Sue gave \$300 to the Suspicion won two races; that brings \$1567.14."

However, it is not strange that these two women should be able to make a success of a syndicate racing venture. and Mrs. Smith learned to ride almost is soon as she learned to walk.

When she was very young she played



Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark, one of the partners in the "Syndicate Stables" enterprise

horsewoman. When she was ten years old she was given a Kentucky saddle horse and she was put under the charge of a profes-sional trainer. She learned to know gentle animals, and she learned what showing. She read books on the breedthem in the stables. And she became as expert at cross-country riding as

ever her father could wish. When she was fifteen she went south to school, taking her favorite riding horse along. For two years she studied other things besides horses. Then she returned home and with her debut began her social career, which was just as successful as her attempts at sports

had been. She danced as well as she rode; she attended parties with the same enthusi-asm with which she had once played with her dolls. She excelled in the social life of the junior set as she did in the saddle. She became one of the leading actresses and dancers in the league

Housekeeping and Horses Combined in Education

came through with flying colors.
"Efficiency" was Harriman's maxim, and the standard to which his in everything else. kept a secret.

But after a year the owners of the Syndicate were discovered to be the Syndicate were discovered to be the secret than the original purchase price. The nipulation he bought up railroads cheap, and by craft, combat and every means secured the power which his soul loved.

It was once said of him: "When the mark.

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"The mark the the Harriman mind is once made up, that settles it. Panies may follow, who has not been married before. Money boards of directors may be disrupted, officers may resign, financial powers at not the most vital considerations."

He was called the world's first Trans-continental Railroad King.

standard she followed—a standard which taught her not only how to de which taught her not only now needlework, cook a splendid meal and entertain with her musical gifts, but and—"Mr. Healy became lost in a maze of names of the horses and their ancestors. "But she has her own ancestors. "But she has her own ancestors."

Love of Horses a Bond

authorities. His efficiency is indicated by the fact that in the was made a major at the when they became "ill." But she soon ing interests and paid all the bills. He out because there isn't room for it any often said of his favorite daughter, more," often said of his favorite daughter, more," it haven't ever carned a dime at

brought her up like a railroad, and she anything else but training horses, has made good."

Mr. Healy with a grin. "I have to as made good."

Mr. Healy with a grin. "I have trained for twenty years, and I have been in a dying conditon Miss Harriman around horses all my life. My father brought fifteen Irish hunters from Ire- wasn't interested in them, but my a horse, to handle vicious as well as a result she was made grandfather was, and I guess I took gentle animals, and she learned what. M. F. H—the first feminine "master home to breeds are best for hunting, racing and showing. She read books on the breed- was said that under her whip not only horses," he continued, "was in Ireland

ing and training of horses; she watched the hounds but the members of the club at the Currah of Kildare. When I was wheeled into line.

She was one of the leaders in the Tuxedo Colony, where horses are wor- is train horses. I was the only shiped. Her horses were shown in person that ever trained for Eddie Cas-Madison Square Garden, Tuxedo and sett-I trained for him for fourteen

Newport shows. Even her romance was called one of the "turf and on bark." She married R. Penn Smith, Jr., one of the best-known horsemen in the country, who is a familiar figure wherever blue-blooded horses are shown. He is a crack polo player, and the youngest major in the United States Army, recelving his commission in France when he was twenty-five years old as a result of his work in the remount servtee of the American Expeditionary Forces. Mr. Smith land ridden Miss Harriman's exhibits at horse shows in Philadelphia and New York and they

had hunted together on many occa-And she also learned every necessary detail of housekeeping. To test her the theme of romantic poetry or prose, skill her father once told her to run it was the basis of at least two marone of the big Harriman houses for a riages in the Harriman household, both week, entertain a certain number of guests and spend only a certain sum mance, too. Carol's father was dead of money in so doing. Here also she when she married, but she clung to his when she married, but she clung to his standard of "efficiency" in choosing her busband, as she had made it her guide

"The man you marry," he had told

officers may resign, financial powers at large may band against him, law may deny him, the money forces of the world may say him nay—but nothing matters. Isolated, regardless, persistent, defiant and courageous, he goes on the courageous, he goes upon his way, caring neither for method, law, nor man, so it may be that at the end he winds the prize at which at the end he winds the prize at which that after her marriage her interest in horses increased rather than decreased.

It was this mind which enabled him

Mrs. Clark is just as excellent a to rise in ten years from obscurity to the control of railways extending from ocean to ocean and to the ownership of vessels which sailed the seven seas. He was called the world's first Trans.

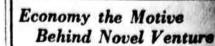
mind Carol inherited. His Husband and Wife Keep Separate Stable and Strings

ancestors. "But she has her own stables and runs them separately, as she

Mrs. R. Penn Smith, Jr., daughter of E. H. Harriman, the railroad king, and wellknown horsewoman, who joined with Mrs. Clark to prove their theories about horses by actual test



J. Simon Healy, witeran trainer



DESPITE the fact that both are immensely wealthy, it was the conisderation of economy that impelled Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Clark to undertake their venture. "Why," they inquired of their

husbands, "should you continue to spend \$2000 for a horse, when you can buy one for \$500 and get just as good results?" Whereupon the husbands-the

wretches!-laughed gently, but none the less whole-heartedly.

"Absurd!" they said. That was too much. Without discussing the matter further the ladies entered into an agreement to pool their resources and practice what they preached, with an eye to proving the soundness

of their theories.

The success which attended their efforts is attested by the fact that the humble yearlings which they purchased and trained won three firsts, several seconds and thirds, and widespread renown within the short space of one racing season.

They have to have special food and special treatment.

"This is the first time I ever trained for women," he said, grinning again, "but I haven't ever had better bosses. They leave things to me, but they know all there is to know about horses and you don't have to explain things to them." His expression showed clearly his opinion of any one who did not "know about horses."

Rain Holds No Terrors for Fair Horse Owners

"Mrs. Smith is a horsewoman from the word 'go,' " he said, "and so is Mrs. Clark. Both of them. Lots of mornings at Saratoga when the weather was so bad that even the men would not come out to the stables I have seen Mrs. Smith in a rubber coat and rubber boots out looking around."

It is not only from her father that

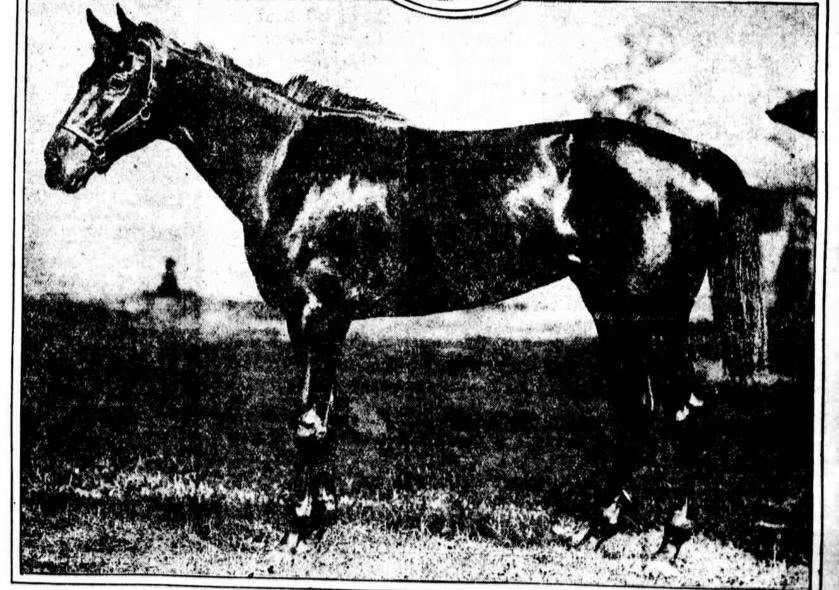
Mrs. Smith inherits her love of horses. Her mother is also an enthusiastic horsewoman, and among her many interests she always has kept in touch with the death of her husband in 1910. able ninety-eight-word will of Harri-man, in which he left his estate "to my wife, Mary W. Harriman, to be hers absolutely and forever.

And the widow of the financier, who had always been a "home woman." be-"business woman." much as the abhors the word. She not only capably managed a street railway, a lighting plant, and a hotel in Georgia, but an iron mine, a dairy farm, a bank and a road building company in New York, together with a blast furnace in Pennsylvania and a gold mine in South Dakota. She gave final judgment on financial transactions in Wall Street and at the same time did not neglect the business of being an old-fashione mother to her five children.

Now, more than sixty years old, she shares her daughter's interest in horses. There is a story told of how she comes to the stables. Leaning on her cane she will walk around and then sit down to discuss the condition of the various

"Don't bother to get a chair for me." she will order brusquely. "I will sit right here," and going over to a feed box she will sit down, saying, "Now this horse here—" and give advice and make comments to which scasoned horsemen listen with respect.

The Syndicate stable yearling purchases this year are expected to be more pretentious than those last year and the new racing establishment may assume a much higher rating on the turf.
The highest bet this year was 10-10
20. Next year Mrs. Smith is consider-



Suspicion, one of the cull yearlings which have astonished the racing world with their performance

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