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☆TRIPLE THREATS☆

Aptitude Heads to Big A:

Juddmonte Farms' Aptitude (A.P. Indy) will ship this morning from his Hollywood Park base to Aqueduct for Saturday's \$750,000 GII Wood Memorial. Trainer Bobby Frankel was quietly confident about his charge. "I wouldn't trade places with anybody," he said. The three-year-old put in a strong late run when second to the undefeated Red Bullet in the GII Gotham at Aqueduct Mar. 19. "His style is more suited to a sandier track," commented Frankel. "There's a plane leaving for Churchill on Monday [following the Wood], and I plan to be on it."

Pegasus Set to Fly:

Current Kentucky Derby favorite **Fusaichi Pegasus** (Mr. Prospector) will make his first start outside of California when he takes on Red Bullet and Aptitude in the Wood Memorial. Winner of the GII San Felipe S. over The Deputy (Ire) at Santa Anita Mar. 19, the handsome bay breezed six panels in 1:14 at Aqueduct Monday. "That's a great indication," said jockey Kent Desormeaux of The Deputy's win in last Saturday's Santa Anita Derby. "He'II [Fusaichi Pegasus] be the barometer for the East Coast horses. I'm not overly confident. There are questions, like how good is Red Bullet, or how good is Aptitude? I feel very good about my chances. He's athletic as a cat. He's got the tools, he's got the tutelage. Now all we need is a little luck."

Wood Work:

Cat's at Home (Tabasco Cat) worked a half mile in :49 over Belmont's main track yesterday. The colt, a winner of two of three starts, will make his stakes debut in Saturday's GII Wood Memorial at Aqueduct. "He's obviously lightly raced, but we think he is a pretty nice horse for us down the line," said trainer Mark Hennig. "This spot might be ambitious, but the owner (Edward Evans) wanted to see if he could make it to this level. We believe he could jump up and run a decent race."

Mighty Fine Work:

The Frank Brothers-trained Mighty (Lord At War (Arg)) has been training brilliantly at Churchill Downs and looms as one of the top contenders for Saturday's GI Toyota Blue Grass. The Louisiana Derby winner has recorded a pair of bullets under the Twin Spires, including a five-furlong drill in :59 3/5 on Monday, but may skip Saturday's outing if there is a wet track. "If it's real sloppy, I'm pretty sure we won't run him," said Brothers. "I know he doesn't like the off track at Keeneland." The GII Coolmore Lexington on Apr. 22 would be the likely alternative. With a strong field on tap, Brothers will be looking to have his horse peak on the first Saturday in May. "Especially at Keeneland, you have to respect the speed, like More Than Ready and the first two [Hal's Hope and High Yield] from the Florida Derby," he said. Mighty certainly has his trainer dreaming of roses. "I think he's a true stayer," Brothers remarked. " He's a big, strong horse. He doesn't need to have everything to go his own way."

More Than Ready Works:

More Than Ready (Southern Halo), runner-up in the GII Louisiana Derby, breezed five furlongs Monday at Keeneland in 1:01 2/5. The colt starts next in the Blue Grass S. on Saturday.

China Visit Tops English Ante-Post Betting:

With the third and final round of Kentucky Derby future book wagering set for this coming weekend in the U.S., British bookmaker Coral has installed UAE Derby winner China Visit (Red Ransom) its 6-1 favorite for the May 6 classic at Churchill Downs, according to Racing Post. The Godolphin runner is followed on Coral's line by Fusaichi Pegasus (Mr. Prospector) at 7-1 and Fountain of Youth winner High Yield (Storm Cat) at 9-1. The trio of Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner Anees (Unbridled), Santa Anita Derby hero The Deputy (Ire) (Petardia {GB}) and War Chant (Danzig) is available at 10-1. Fusaichi Pegasus, who is on course for Saturday's GII Wood Memorial, is the 4-1 favorite in the U.S. future book wager while China Visit will open at odds of 15-1.

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The power of One.

Taylor Made sales graduate **HERITAGE OF GOLD**won the Apple Blossom H.-G1 at Oaklawn Park.

Congratulations to owner Jack Garey and trainer Tom Amoss.





☆ PREVIEW ☆

Today, Keeneland, post time: 4:26 p.m. EDT LAFAYETTE S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	Littleexpectations	Valid Appeal	Asmussen	120
2	Caller One	Phone Trick	Chapman	120
3	Sun Cat	Tabasco Cat	Lukas	116
4	Fortifier	Major Impact	Hendricks	118
5	Cosine	Cozzene	Baker	116
6	Early Goer	Zuppardo's Prince	Holthus	120
7	American Dot Com	American Chance	Hutt	116
8	Charlie's Beau	Beau Genius	Barnett	118
9	In Sync	Gilded Time	Wigginton	116
10	Ultimate Warrior	Iroquois Park	Flint	120

Today, Oaklawn Park, post time: 5:11 p.m. CDT FIFTH SEASON BREEDERS' CUP S.-GIII, \$100,000,

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	Relic Reward	Prospector's Halo	Borel	114
2	Toll Booth Willie	Here We Come	Vance	114
3	Well Noted	Notebook	Morse	124
4	Steelsilverblack	Silver Deputy	Barnett	114
5	Mr Ross	Slewacide	Von Hemel	114
6	Truluck	Conquistador Cielo	Walden	114
7	Crimson Classic	Sky Classic	Kaelin	114
8	Avigator	Lord Avie	Petalino	119

Today, Saint-Cloud, France, post time: 3.35. p.m. PRIX PENELOPE-G3, FF364,000, 3yo, f, 1 5/16mT

SC	(PP)	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER		
1	(1)	Trust In Love (Ire)	Exit To Nowhere	Rob Collet		
2	(4)	Reve D'Oscar (Fr)	Highest Honor (Fr)	Bollack-Badel		
3	(5)	Folie Danse (Fr)	Petit Loup	de Nicolay		
4	(6)	Volvoretta (GB)	Suave Dancer	Lerner		
5	(3)	Sadler's Flag (Ire)	Sadler's Wells	C Head		
6	(2)	Private Life (Fr)	Bering (GB)	Fabre		
All carry 126 pounds.						

In this traditional G1 Prix de Diane (French Oaks) trial, Volvoretta will seek to retain her unbeaten record. She makes her first start since winning last season's G3 Prix des Reservoirs at Deauville and has the necessary class to justify likely favouritism. Folie Danse proved a consistent juvenile with two wins and six places from eight starts and showed continued progress to win her only sophomore start, the Listed Prix Rose de Mai over this course and distance Mar. 23. Sadler's Flag, a supplementary entry, will bid to follow up her fine win at Fontainebleau Mar. 24, whereas Andre Fabre's Private Life, a juvenile conditions winner, should not be ignored.

WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES

by Alan Porter

ASHLAND S.-GI, \$550,250, KEE, 4-8, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:44 2/5, gd.

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1--@ARINGS A CHIME, 116, f, 3, by Metfield

1st Dam: Outofthebluebell (\$W, \$195,966), by Red Ryder

2nd Dam: Natchez Bluebelle, by Star Envoy

3rd Dam: Minnie Whacks, by Minnesota Mac

(\$26,000 yrl '98 WASSEP). O-Turf Side Stable

Joseph D Kowal; B-Mr & Mrs William T Griffin (WA);

T-Lonnie Arterburn; J-S J Sellers; \$341,155. Lifetime

Record: 11-4-4-2, \$484,155.

The weekend was a particularly successful one for the Seattle Slew stallion Metfield. Now standing at T-Square Stud in Florida, where he moved from his initial home Vinery Kentucky, in 1999, Metfield was represented by the G1 Ashland S. victress Rings A Chime and Field Cat (c, 3, Metfield--Sandy's Storm, by Storm Cat), who led all the way in the Transylvania S. at Keeneland.

Rings A Chime is the second Grade I-winning filly for Metfield, who was represented by the G1 Oak Leaf S. heroine Tipically Irish in his first crop. Metfield's fillies have generally tended to be superior to his colts, and of his first eight stakes winners the score is six fillies and two colts (or to be more specific, one colt and one gelding).

We have frequently written in this column about the success of the Seattle Slew/Mr. Prospector combination, and Rings A Chime is a variation on that theme. Her dam is a stakes-winning daughter of Mr. Prospector's unraced full brother Red Ryder. Rings A Chime's pedigree, however, has some other very interesting combinations. Metfield is the possessor of a superb pedigree, as his dam Inca Queen is a multiple stakeswinning daughter of Hail to Reason and Silver Spoon, a champion three-year-old filly who defeated colts in the Santa Anita Derby. The top runner sired by Citation, Silver Spoon is out of Silver Fog, an outstanding tap-root mare who is also ancestress of State Dinner, Banquet Table and Silver Buck, who all descend through Silver Spoon's half sister, the Arlington-Washington Lassie S. winner Silver Bright.

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Pedigree Perspectives cont. from p. 2

Silver Fog is by the imported Epsom Derby winner *Mahmoud, out of a mare by the great Whitney champion Equipoise. The combination of Mahmoud and Equipoise or Equipoise's full sister Schwester proved to be an extremely important one, and it is probably the key to Rings A Chime's pedigree. Rings A Chime's granddam Natchez Bluebell is closely inbred to the Mahmoud/Equipoise background. Her sire Star Envoy is by Pia Star, who in turn is out of Inquisitive (by Mahmoud out of a daughter of Schwester). Natchez Bluebell's granddam is by The Axe II, who in turn is by Mahmoud out of a mare by Equipoise's son Shut Out. This means Natchez Bluebell has the Mahmoud/ Schwester and Mahmoud/Equipoise combinations 3x3. Add in Silver Fog (Mahmoud out of an Equipoise mare) as the third dam of Metfield, and we find that Rings A Chime has the Mahmoud/Equipoise/Schwester background 3x5x5. C. V. Whitney deliberately imported Mahmoud to cross with Equipoise and his family and mares of similar background. It's nice to know that such prescience is still paying dividends almost sixty years later.

PEDIGREE SHORTS

The Blushing Groom/Seattle Slew cross has not generally been successful. There is, however, an exception, and this involves Rahy, who has now sired four unrestricted stakes winners out of Seattle Slew-line mares, including three graded stakes winners out of Slew o' Gold mares. The latest of these is Early Pioneer (g, 5 Rahy--Golden Darling, by Slew o' Gold), who captured the GII San Bernardino H. on Sunday. Rahy with any Seattle Slew horse gives a son and daughter of Hail to Reason (sire of Rahy's own broodmare sire Halo). With Slew o' Gold, there is also the benefit of the combination of Spring Run (dam of Blushing Groom's sire Red God) and her three-parts genetic relative Tom Fool (sire of Slew o' Gold's broodmare sire Buckpasser).

Smart Halo S. winner Sincerely (f, 3, Meadowlake--Up Sail, by Herculean) is the product of multiplying an old cross which is rarely seen close up in modern pedigrees. Sir Gallahad III and his full brother Bull Dog enjoyed a very profitable combination with another hugely influential stallion, Blue Larkspur. Meadowlake has two Blue Larkspur/Sir Gallahad III combinations in the third generation of his pedigree via Blue Grail (Blue Larkspur out of a Sir Gallahad III mare) and Nothirdchance (by a son of Blue Larkspur out of a Sir Gallahad III mare). Sincerely's granddam is the excellent mare Furl Sail, who is a daughter of Revoked, another by Blue Larkspur out of a Sir Gallahad III mare.

There was another major score for the pattern of inbreeding to the broodmare sire of the sire, when K One King (c, 4, Apalachee--Tis Michelle, by Native Charger) caused a major upset in the GI Oaklawn H. Apalachee is out of Moccasin, the greatest of Nantallah's daughters, and K One King's second dam is by Nantallah's very fast son Bolinas Boy.

FOALING NEWS:

IRISH IZZY, 13, Full Out--Suite Sixty (Blade)
Foal born 2-1-00, a colt by Mr. Prospector.
Will be bred back to Forestry.
Owned by H. Merrick Jones & Ben P. Walden Jr.
Boarded at Vinery, KY.
Accomplishments: Dam of Tipically Irish (Metfield),
GISW, \$231,895.

GREAT LIGHT, 23, Rube the Great--Light Face (Barbizon)

Foal born 3-15-00, a colt by Wavering Monarch. Will be bred back to Wavering Monarch. Owned by/boarded at Glencrest Farm, KY. Accomplishments: Dam of Kamikaze Rick (Hasty Flyer), GISW, \$341,300; Colony Light (Pleasant Colony), GISP, \$136,966.

POPOL VUH, 16, Czaravich-Tiy (Nalees Man)
Foal born 3-16-00, a filly by Grand Slam.
Will be bred back to Exploit.
Owned/boarded at CandyLand Farm, DE.
Accomplishments: Dam of Popol's Gold (Strike Gold),
GSW, \$477,465.

CORRECTION: It was incorrectly reported in Monday's *TDN* International that, prior to **Giant's Causeway** (Storm Cat)'s win, trainer Aidan O'Brien had saddled four successive beaten odds-on chances in the G3 Gladness S. We regret the error.

CURRENCY CONVERSIONS

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TIME MARCHES ON ...

Five horses died during the three-day Grand National Festival at Aintree last weekend. Fortunately, none died during the Grand National itself; four died on the Thursday, two of them in a four-horse race. One of those two, Strong Promise, had been placed in two Cheltenham Gold Cups, and, following One Man in 1998, it's the second time in three years a top-class steeplechaser had died in a race on Aintree's Mildmay course.

No sensible person who has ever been around horse racing (which unfortunately excludes about 95 percent of the human race) has the slightest doubt that racehorses receive an almost unbelievably high level of care and attention, and that a vast majority of them are handled by people who look after their horses probably better than they look after themselves, their families, and their close friends. But ...

At the end of the 19th century, horses still had jobs, particularly in transportation, agriculture, and war. At the beginning of the 21st century, the truth is that horses are only really bred for pleasure and entertainment. In the minds of the 95-percent plus of the human race who have no feeling for horses or horse racing, that throws a different light on it. A hundred and fifty years ago there was another dimension to two farmers who raced their stallions down a county road; now, it is pleasure, entertainment, gambling. That lovely, fancy French phrase--raison d'etre--reason for being. For the horse, what now is its raison d'etre? Human entertainment.

Horse racing's greatest argument for continued survival, frankly, is that it employs so many people worldwide, and its metamorphosis from sport to industry--an economic engine which maybe employs a quarter or a million people worldwide and generates 100 billion dollars a year in business (both wild guesses), is the only thing that has enabled us to survive this far. It has done that because there actually are, miraculously, an awful lot of people who do like it.

But there are dark shadows, yes, there are. Item: Ray Paulick's column in the March 25 Blood-Horse, in which he talked about a U.S. Justice Department attempt to actually rule gambling on simulcasts across state lines illegal. Think that wouldn't set us back? We need legal clearance for gambling on horse racing 24 hours a day across all borders--the Internet, of course--on interesting and good racing from all over the globe. We do not need simulcasting effectively stopped in the U.S. (50 percent drop in purses).

It is against this backdrop that I despair every day at the situation now in Ireland. Here is a country with one of the greatest horse traditions of all, and the Minister of Finance, Charlie McCreevy, and the Minister of Agriculture, Joe Walsh, have offered to set racing's finances up in perpetuity. 'All' the industry has to do is combine its administrative authorities--the Irish Horseracing Authority (IHA), which is a government body, and the Turf Club, which is a private body very much like any Jockey Club. Guess what? No, you'll never guess. You could think on it from now until next week, but you'd never hit upon the problem: so I will tell you. They can't

Oh, I don't know what it is they can't agree about; it hardly matters. I guess one of the issues is that the Turf Club doesn't want professional stewards, to which I can only ask, aghast, why ever not? This isn't a game any more, you know; professionals even compete in the Olympics. Surely paid professional stewards are all

Ray Paulick ended his column the other week by declaring, "this is scary stuff." He's right, and so is this. I mean, here's me wondering what other justification there is for the racehorse business surviving other than we are generating a lot of worldwide business. Then two government ministers from a traditional breeding stronghold come along and want to put their racehorse business on a sound footing. Hello? Take the money. Grab their hands off. Stop posturing, check your egos at the door, and go lock yourselves away until you come up with the winning formula. Hey, all you civil servants and all you Private Members-don't blow it. There are a lot of us out here actually depending on you.

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NYTB Seminar:

The New York Thoroughbred Breeders, Inc., in cooperation with the NYS Breeding and Development Fund and the New York Racing Association, will present a seminar for new and prospective owners at Aqueduct on Apr. 30. To register, call NYTB at (518) 587-0777.

INDUSTRYINFO

Powell Elected to NTRA Board:

Lonny Powell, president and chief executive officer of Santa Anita and executive vice president of racing operations for Magna Entertainment Corp., has been chosen to represent the Western Region of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association on the group's board of directors. Powell will take over the final year of R. D. Hubbard's term on the board and will be eligible for reelection next year. "It is a reflection of Magna's investment in racing and of Lonny's own experience and credentials that he was the consensus selection of his region to serve on the NTRA Board," said NTRA commissioner Tim Smith.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12:

04-21 \$125.000a Stonerside Beaumont-II, Kee, 3vo, f, a7f, (100)

04-22 \$325,000a Coolmore Lexington-II, Kee, 3yo, 8.5f, (200)

04-22 \$300,000 Lone Star Derby, LS, 3yo, 8.5f, (0)

04-22 \$250,000 Texas Mile-III, LS, 3yo/up, 8f, (0)

04-22 \$200,000 Federico Tesio, Pim, 3yo, 9f, (250)

04-22 \$150,000 National Jockey Club Oaks, Spt, 3yo, f, 8.5f, (100)

04-23 \$250,000 Santa Barbara H.-II, SA, 4yo/up, f/m, 10fT, (250)

04-24 \$125,000a San Simeon H.-III, SA, 4yo/up, a6.5f, (100)

04-30 \$250,000 Snow Chief, Hol, 3yo, S, 9f, (250)

05-05 \$150/100,000a Louisville Breeders' Cup-II, CD, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f, (250)

07-22 \$175,000e Middleground, LS, 2yo, c&g, 6f, (100) 07-23 \$175,000e Silver Spur, LS, 2yo, f, 6f, (100)

AMERICAN-BRED WINNER IN FRANCE:

Mon Pote Le Gitan, c, 3, Thunder Gulch--Firm Friend (Ire) (SW & MGSP-Fr, GSP-Ity, SP-US, \$152,537), by Affirmed. Maisons-Laffitte, 4-11, Prix Ladas (Cond.), 3vo. 5 1/2fT, \$13,150 to winner. O-Maurice Lagasse: B-Lagasse/Lagimo; T-David Smaga. *GSP-Fr. **\$80,000 wnl '97 KEENOV.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-DEL, \$36,900, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:52 1/5, ft. SPANKY TOO (c, 4, Tasso--Somelight, by Majestic Light) Lifetime Record: 25-4-4-4, \$104,139, O-Terry D Lovelace, B-Dixon Mark (FL), T-Bessie S Gruwell,

5th-DEL, \$33,500, 3yo, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft. TRICKY TWIGS (c, 3, Phone Trick--Cherokee Twiggy, by Cherokee Colony) Lifetime Record: 7-2-4-1, \$53,420. O-Arthur I Appleton, B-Tod Mtn Thoroughbreds (BC). T-Robert W Camac.

6th-DEL, \$32,600, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 3/5, ft. CRAFTY COMMENT (f, 4, Skip Trial--Crafty Bride, by Crafty Prospector) Lifetime Record: 20-5-1-3, \$71,595. O-Lorraine E Barberino, B-Dom Vittese & Leslie Hagan (FL), T-Frank A Passero Jr.

9th-PHA, \$24,700, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:22 2/5, ft. LOVE ME NASTY (c, 4, Mr. Nasty--Vienna's Love, by Triocala) Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-1, \$37,810. O-Jag Team. B-Our Farm inc (PA). T-Jose A Gallegos.

5th-GPX, \$24,300, Opt. Clm. (\$150,000), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11, ft.

CAN'T STOP LYNNE (f, 4, Notebook--Special Token, by Hyperborean) Lifetime Record: 22-9-3-2, \$111,660. O-Marilyn Movitz Stable. B-Ivory John R. (FI). T-Frank Carlisi.

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7th-GPX, **\$21,900**, Opt. Clm. (\$150,000), 3yo, 7f, 1:24 2/5, ft.

RICH STARS (c, 3, Rizzi-Ten Stars, by Unpredictable) Lifetime Record: SP, 8-2-2-2, \$39,950. O-Monarch Stables. B-Harry T Mangurian Jr (FL). T-Larry Pilotti.

8th-GPX, \$19,000, Opt. Clm. (\$150,000), 3yo/up, f/m, a1mT, 1:39 1/5, fm.

LIBERTAIRE (f, 4, Highest Honor {Fr}--Liberia, by Miswaki) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-0, \$25,614. O-Saud bin Khaled. B-Palides Investments N V Inc (KY). T-Christophe Clement. *1/2 to Go Lib Go (Septieme Ciel), GSW, \$225,470.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Mello Appeal, f, 3, Big Sal--Appealing Miss, by Valid Appeal. GPX, 4-11, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:20 1/5. B-Mekamy Oaks Farm (FI). *\$8,000 wlng '97 OBSOCT.

Halo and Roses, c, 3, Jolie's Halo--Return the Roses, by Carry Back. GPX, 4-11, a1 1/16mT, 1:45 4/5. B-Jon L Starr (Ar). *\$27,000 wlng '97 ARKNOV. **1/2 to No More Flowers (My Gallant), GISP, \$222,214.

Love for Sue, c, 3, Not for Love--Loblolly Pine, by Big Spruce. DEL, 4-11, 1 1/16m,1:48 4/5. B-Nancy Deliman (Pa).

Rustic Waters, f, 3, Repriced--Vanilla Red, by Heliologist. TAM, 4-11, a1 1/16mT, 1:45 2/5. B-Clearwater Stables (Ia).

Missy's Tune, m, 5, Tuneful Tip--Rushing Miss, by Three Bagger. TAM, 4-11, 5f, 1:01. B-Nina Kekalainen (FI). *\$1,300 yrl '96 OBSAUG.



CHIEF APPEAL, 12, Valid Appeal--Silken Doll (Chieftain) Foal born 3-16-00, a filly by Coronado's Quest.

Will be bred back to Unbridled.

Owned by Robert Raphaelson.

Boarded at Claiborne Farm, KY.

Accomplishments: Dam of Turkappeal (Turkoman), MSW & MGSP, \$280,388; and Premier Krischief (Kris S.), GSP, \$275,852.

SECOND REEL, 14, Red Ryder--Reel Sterling (Silent Screen)

Foal born 3-16-00, a colt by Confide.

Will be bred back to Confide.

Boarded at Victory Crossing Farm, KY.

Accomplishments: Dam of Numerically (Four Ten), MSW, \$360,501; and Don't Fool Bert (Don't Fool With Me), MSW.

AFFECTION AFFIRMED, 19, Affirmed--Chicken Little (Olympia)

Foal born 3-17-00, a colt by Danehill.

Will be bred back to Polish Numbers.

Owned by/boarded at Newgate Stud Farm Inc, KY. Accomplishments: Dam of River Deep (Riverman), GSW-GB & MGSP-US, \$192,493; Dreamer (Zilzal), SW & MGSP-US, SP-GB, \$316,178; Belgravia (GB) (Rainbow Quest), GSP-US & SP-GB, \$193,166.

EXPLORE THE GOLD, 11, Fast Gold--Explore the Shore (Summing)

Foal born 3-17-00, a filly by Spinning World.

Will be bred back to Hennessy.

Owned by Cashmark Farm.

Boarded at Grass Valley Farm, KY.

Accomplishments: MSW, \$141,655.

STAROLAMO, 11, Bargain Day--Key to the Green (Key to the Kingdom)

Foal born 3-17-00, a colt by Souvenir Copy.

Will be bred back to Half Term.

Owned by Cashmark Farm.

Boarded at Golden Eagle Farm, CA.

Accomplishments: MSW, \$204,848.

AUSHERRA, 12, Diesis (GB)--Princess of Man (Ire) (Green God {GB})

Foal born 3-18-00, a colt by Polish Numbers.

Will be bred back to Kris S.

Owned by/boarded at Newgate Stud Farm Inc, KY. Accomplishments: SW & MGSP-GB. Dam of Yorkshire (Ire) (Generous {Ire}), SW-GB.

TOMORROW'S SONG, 12, Apalachee--Dantina (Gray Phantom)

Foal born 3-18-00, a filly by Belong to Me.

Will be bred back to Forestry.

Owned by Don & Mary Zuckerman.

Boarded at Taylor Made Farm, KY.

Accomplishments: Dam of Tomorrows Sunshine (Silver Deputy), MSW & MGSP, \$296,308; and Colorado Song (Pine Bluff), MGSP, \$164,928.

MISS L ATTACK, 10, Skywalker--Kirt's Pride (Kirtling {Ire})

Foal born 3-18-00, a filly by Grand Slam.

Will be bred back to Unbridled.

Owned by Frances Genter Williams.

Boarded at Taylor Made Farm, KY.

Accomplishments: MSW & GSP, \$455,479.

BOLD AND GORGEOUS, 9, Caveat--Just Gorgeous (Princely Pleasure)

Foal born 3-19-00, a colt by Meadowlake.

Will be bred back to Saint Ballado.

Owned by Pollock Farms.

Boarded at Taylor Made Farm, KY.

Accomplishments: SW, \$142,437.



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★ FRANCE ★

Yesterday's Results:

PRIX RIGHT ROYAL-Listed, FF260,000, Maisons-Laffitte, 4-11, 4yo/up, 1 15/16mT, 3:25.70, vsf.

- 1--TAJOUN (FR), 133, g, 6, General Holme (USA)-Taeesha (Ire), by Mill Reef (USA). O-H H the Aga
 Khan; B-H H the Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-Alain de
 Royer-Dupre; J-Gerald Mosse; FF140,000. Lifetime
 Record: G1SW-Fr, 19 starts, 12 wins, 6 places,
 FF2,486,000.
- 2--Magnus (Fr), 127, c, 4, Roakarad (Ire)--Volcania (Fr), by Neustrien (Fr). FF48,000.
- 3--Casamasa (Ire), 123, g, 4, Sadler's Wells (USA)--Millieme (Ire), by Mill Reef (USA). FF36,000.

 Margins: NK, 4, 3. Odds: 0.60, 2.20, 11.30.

 Also ran: Katun (Fr), Battle Green (Bel), Pine Crystal (USA).

The winner of the G1 Prix du Cadran and second to Amilynx (Fr) in the G1 Prix Royal Oak last year, Tajoun was confidently expected by punters to win at the first time of asking this season and grabbed his third consecutive victory in this race with jockey Gerald Mosse riding at his cheekiest. Magnus led at a steady pace by three lengths from Tajoun, Casamasa and Katun (Fr) (Saumarez {GB}) as the field raced in single file. Olivier Peslier, aboard Magnus, gradually increased the tempo from five furlongs out and still held a healthy two-length lead approaching the final quarter mile. He very nearly stole the race from the front, but Mosse only had to shake the reins at Tajoun who responded with enthusiasm to challenge at the distance. Tajoun only needed to be pushed out to win a shade cozily with plenty more in hand than the official winning margin. Magnus ran a highly creditable race in defeat whereas Casamasa proved the best of a never threatening remainder. France's top stayer will now point to the G2 Prix Vicomtesse Vigier at Longchamp May 21, a race in which he was also successful last year.

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4.20 Maisons-Laffitte, Prix Ladas (Class B) (Cond.), FF180,000, 3yo, 5½fT, 1:04.20, vsf.

MON POTE LE GITAN (USA) (c, 3, Thunder Gulch {USA}--Firm Friend {Ire} {SW & MGSP-Fr, GSP-Ity, SP-US, \$152,537}, by Affirmed {USA}), a thoroughly consistent and powerful looking individual, was positioned in second directly behind Legend Of Spring (GB) (Night Shift {USA}), who led at a decent clip. He was switched off the rail to make his challenge passing the quarter-mile marker, led soon after and quickened clear for an easy four-length win at odds of 9-10. The winner was a \$80,000 KEENOV weanling purchase. Lifetime Record: GSP-Fr, 8 starts, 1 win, 7 places, FF289,000. O-Maurice Lagasse; B-Lagasse/Lagimo; T-David Smaga; J-Dominique Boeuf.

2.20 Maisons-Laffitte, Prix Northeast (Class C) (Cond.), FF160,000, 2yo, French-bred f, 5fT, 1:00.80, vsf. CRACKCHOPE (FR) (f, 2, Crack Regiment {USA}--Timbaliere {Fr}, by Pharly {Fr}) raced in third on the outer as Femme Epanouie (Fr) (Sillery {USA}) led but moved into second at the two-furlong marker. She was ridden to lead approaching the final furlong, quickened clear soon after and was eased down to record a comfortable 1½-length victory at odds of 6-1. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, FF89,600.

O-Anne-Marie Paris; B-Mr A Chopard & Mme Maryse Delteil; T-Didier Soubagne; J-Philippe Sogorb.

2.45 Maisons-Laffitte, Prix Saldi Choury (Class C) (Cond.), FF160,000, 2yo, French-bred c/g, 5fT, 1:01.20, vsf.

+NOROUZ (FR) (c, 2, Housamix {Fr}--Sarellane {Fr}, by Vayrann {Ire}), a near 15-1 chance, raced wide behind the front who were headed by Mild Steel (Fr) (Shining Steel {GB}) but was pushed along at halfway. He was ridden strongly inside the final furlong and grabbed the lead close home for a neck debut success from Melahel (Fr) (Smadoun {Fr}). The winner is a 1/2 to Ca Alors (Fr) (Highest Honor {Fr}), Hwt. Older Mare-Scan at 7-9.5f, MSP-Ger; and Sapsa Tango (Fr) (Fijar Tango {Fr}), GSP-Fr. An 8,200gns AFAUG yearling purchase, he is the first known winner for his freshman sire (by Linamix {Fr}). Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, FF80,000. O/B-Homayoun Minoui; T-Yann Porzier; J-Alain Junk.



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★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

3.45 Pontefract, High-Rise Classified S. (Cond.) (Class C), £10,450, 3yo/up, 1 1/4m 6ydsT, 2:21.10, gd/sf. JUST IN TIME (GB) (g, 5, Night Shift {USA}--Future Past {USA}, by Super Concorde {USA}), sent off at 9-2, set out to make every yard of the running from the outset, as suits him best. Always in front, he fended off the challenges of Ulundi (GB) (Rainbow Quest {USA}) between the three- and two-furlong markers, and then Seek (GB) (Rainbow Quest {USA}) inside the final two hundred yards, really getting his head down at the finish to win gamely by three-quarters-of-a-length. The winner is a 1/2 to Siberian's Image (GB) (Siberian Express {USA}), GSP-Ire. Lifetime Record: 16-3-3-2, £32,002. O-Mrs Pauline Merrick; B-Albert Steigenberger; T-Terry Mills: J-Alan Clark.

5.15 Pontefract, Spring Three Year Old Maiden Fillies' S. (Class D), £5,450, 3yo, f, 6fT, 1:22.20, gd/sf. SWIFT DISPERSAL (GB) (f, 3, Shareef Dancer {USA}--Minsden's Image {GB}, by Dancer's Image {USA}) was totally unconsidered at 66-1 here, but broke well and was prominent behind the leader Perugino Pearl (Ire) (Perugino {USA}) early. As they rounded the turn into the straight, jockey Gavin Faulkner got to work and brought her with a run under strong driving on the outside to hit the front with a furlong remaining. She held on bravely from there to hold the late rattle of Kanaka Creek (USA) (Thunder Gulch {USA}) by a head. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, £3,542.

O-Mrs Marion E Southcott; B-I A Southcott; T-Stuart Williams; J-Gavin Faulkner.

★ GERMANY ★

WOHLER MOVE CONFIRMED

Andreas Wohler, one of Germany's leading trainers, is finalizing plans concerning his confirmed relocation to Dortmund. Wohler's string contains teams from top German studs Gestut Fahrhof and Gestut Ittlingen. At the moment, it seems that Gestut Fahrhof's horses will remain in Bremen, where the track would face likely bankruptcy if these important proprietors were to desert the stage. Connections are on the lookout for a new trainer. Currently, Wohler would be moving to Dortmund to a stable complex which is being built by Gestut Ittlingen's Manfred Ostermann.

MERCEDES BENZ TO CONTINUE SPONSORSHIP

The confused situation regarding the G1 Grosser Preis von Baden, the seasonal and traditional highlight of the Baden Baden racing week in September, is now clear. Automoblie giant Mercedes Benz has agreed to sponsor the valuable G1 event for another year. The race is now a part of the Emirates World Series and its sponsorship was endangered recently when the intended sponsor, FLOW-TEX, announced bankruptcy recently.

GELSENKIRCHEN WOE

The racetrack at Gelsenkirchen, which staged last Sunday's G3 Buchmacher Lindner Trophy, is in serious financial trouble. The track owes its bank approximately DM2 million with the first installment of DM 540,000 now past due. All hopes for the future now rest on an emergeny meeting scheduled for last evening, but the experts are rather sceptical. The last possible date to make the installment payment would be April 28, and in their opinion there is no way that the race club at Gelsenkirchen will be able to pay such an amount by that date.

LANDO STARTS SEASON STRONGLY

Gestut Ittlingen's young sire Lando (Ger) (Acatenango {Ger}) had four individual winner from six runners last weekend and continued his impressive start to the season with another winner in Italy yesterday. While Naji Pharon's three-year-old filly Landaise scored in France, Orlon, Tipico Hansi and Platini's half-brother Paolini got the 1995 Japan Cup hero off the mark this season. He added another winner in Rome, Tuesday, when Mali won the L34,425,000 Premio Godeta, a conditions event for three-year-olds over 1 3/16 miles.

* ITALY *

Yesterday's Results:

2.55 Rome, Premio Godetia (Cond.), L34,425,000, 4-11, 3yo, 1 3/16mT, 2:06.70, hy.

MALI (GB) (c, 3, Lando {Ger}--Marlene Kelly {USA}, by Irish Castle {USA}) Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 1 win, 1 place, L25,670,000. O-All La Nuova Sbarra; B-Razza Emiliana; T-L Brogi; J-M Pasquale. *16,372 yrl '98 ANSEP.

2.30 Rome, Premio King's Lake (Cond.), L15,300,000, 4-11, 4yo/up, 1 3/8mT, 2:20.30, hy. CAPOLUOGO (IRE) (h, 6, Nordance {USA}--Caatingas {Ire}, by Corvaro {USA}) Lifetime Record: 59 starts, 12 wins, 25 places, L216,933,000. O-A Degortes; B-Scuderia Carolina di Pietro and Barbara; T-A Oppo; J-M Pasquale.

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★ U.S. PREMIERES ★

Today at Keeneland:

7th Race-\$67,000, Allowance, 1 1/16m TIGER SHARK (USA) (c, 4, Chief's Crown {USA}--Life At The Top {GB}, by Habitat {USA}) was off the board in his first two career efforts on the turf before switching to the Wolverhampton all-weather to break his maiden in his fourth start. Returned to the grass, the bay scored a pair of victories, including a 3 1/2-length success in the Listed EBF McDonagh H. Unraced since a sixth-place finish in the Knockaire S. at Leopardstown last Nov. 7, the homebred will add Lasix for the first time for trainer Christophe Clement. O/B-Calumet Farm. T-Christophe Clement.

2nd Race-\$50,000, Maiden Special Wt., a7f BEE EIGHT (GB) (c, 3, Mujtahid {USA}--Creme de Menthe {Ire}, by Green Desert) was second in Listed stakes company at Epsom last June before finsihing eighth in the G3 Coventry S. He was last seen on the racetrack when fourth in the G2 Richmond S. at Goodwood for trainer David Elsworth. The bay makes his main-track debut this afternoon with the addition of first-time Lasix.

O-Elizabeth Alexander. B-The Lavington Stud. T-Richard Lundy.

★ MAIDEN WINNERS ★

Crackchope (Fr), f, 2, Crack Regiment (USA)--Timbaliere (Fr), by Pharly (Fr). Maisons-Laffitte, France, Prix Northeast (Class C) (Cond.), 2yo, French-bred f, 5fT, FF80,000 to winner. B-Mr A Chopard & Mme Maryse Delteil.

+ Norouz (Fr), c, 2, Housamix (Fr)--Sarellane (Fr), by Vayrann (Ire). Maisons-Laffitte, France, Prix Saldi Choury (Class C) (Cond.), 2yo, French-bred c/g, 5fT, FF80,000 to winner. B-Homayoun Minoui. *8,200gns yrl '99 AFAUG. **First known winner for freshman sire (by Linamix {Fr}).

Mali (GB), c, 3, Lando (Ger)--Marlene Kelly (USA), by Irish Castle (USA). Rome, Italy, 4-11, Premio Godetia (Cond.), 3yo, 1 3/8mT, L19,125,000 to winner. B-Razza Emiliana. *16,372gns yrl '98 ANSEP.

President (Fr), c, 3, Midyan (USA)--Foolish Dance (USA), by Sagace (Fr). Rome, Italy, 4-11, Premio Val d'Erica (Mdn.), 3yo, 7½fT, L14,875,000 to winner. B-Alan F S Li & Gerald Godfrey.

Swift Dispersal (GB), f, 3, Shareef Dancer (USA)--Minsden's Image (GB), by Dancer's Image (USA). Pontefract, England, Spring Three Year Old Maiden Fillies' S. (Class D), 3yo, f, 6f T, £3,542 to winner. B-I A Southcott.

Mon Pote Le Gitan (USA), c, 3, Thunder Gulch (USA)-Firm Friend (Ire) (SW & MGSP-Fr, GSP-Ity, SP-US, \$152,537), by Affirmed (USA). Maisons-Laffitte,
France, Prix Ladas (Class B) (Cond.), 3yo, 5 1/2fT,
FF90,000 to winner. B-Lagasse/Lagimo. *GSP-Fr.
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FOALING NEWS

ALGHUZAYLAH (IRE), 19, Habitat (USA)--Asian Princess (GB) (Native Prince {USA})
Foal born 3-28-00, a filly by Pulpit (USA).
Will be bred back to Old Trieste (USA).
Owned by/boarded at Shadwell Farm LLC, KY.
Accomplishments: Dam of Zaahi (USA) (Slew o' Gold {USA}), GSW & G1SP-GB, GSP-Fr, G1SP-Ger, SP-US, \$267,623.

PUTOUT (GB), 10, Dowsing (USA)--Putupon (GB) (Mummy's Pet {GB})
Foal born 3-28-00, a filly by Robellino (USA).
Will be bred back to Inchinor (GB).
Owned by/boarded at Bloomsbury Stud, England.
Accomplishments: Dam of Palanca (GB) (Inchinor {GB}),
GSW-lty.

SARAYIR (USA), 6, Mr. Prospector (USA)--Height of Fashion (Fr) (Bustino {GB})
Foal born 3-28-00, a filly by A.P. Indy (USA).
Will be bred back to Storm Cat (USA).
Owned by/boarded at Shadwell Farm LLC, KY.
Accomplishments: MSW-GB.

LOBMILLE (GB), 16, Mill Reef (USA)--Light O'Battle (GB) (Queen's Hussar {GB})

Foal born 3-29-00, a colt by Barathea (Ire).

Will be bred back to Kris (GB).

Owned by Razza Pallorsi Snc.

Boarded at Snailwell Stud, England.

Accomplishments: Dam of Lobbyist (GB) (Mtoto {GB}), SW-Bel, \$149,065; and Lone Bid (Fr) (Priolo {USA}), SW & GSP-Fr, GISP-US, \$168,428.

MARGIE BELLE (USA), 22, *Vaguely Noble--Margravine (USA) (Hail to Reason {USA})

Foal born 3-31-00, a filly by Sternkönig (Ire).

Will not be bred in 2000.

Owned by/boarded at Gestüt Röttgen, Germany. Accomplishments: Dam of Milde (USA) (Desert Wine {USA}), SW-Fr.

SISTADARI (GB), 12, Shardari (Ire)--Sistabelle (GB) (Bellypha {Ire})

Foal born 3-31-00, a colt by Peintre Celebre (USA). Will be bred back to In the Wings (GB).

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Boarded at Kildangan Stud, Ireland.

Accomplishments: Dam of Sir Warren (Ire) (Warning {GB}), SW-Ger, \$126,185.