

SHAW BEARS TRIUMPH OVER A&T AGGIES

Beating The Gun

BY ALVIN MOSES

JOE LOUIS FAN COMPLAINS

NEW YORK (ANP) — RIGHT UP TO THE TIME that Joe Louis climbs thru the ropes again, we feel this column will receive letters from boxing fans the country over discussing the Brown Bomber's desire to fight once or twice more. My opinion on this subject has been aired numerous times. We felt this letter from Walter O. Catlett, Detroit, posed a question of unusual interest. Says Mr. Catlett:

"Has Louis or any fighter the right to impose himself upon the long-suffering public when, in the estimation of sound judges, he no longer is 50 percent the fighter he was? Added to that I say that while there is no law preventing a champion from retiring as often as he chooses, the question of keeping faith with your millions of admirers and rooters must certainly have some place in the picture.

"I think Louis should hang up the gloves now. Whether he is capable of whipping Bakke, Charles or any of the logical contenders, fails to rule out my point that he, Louis, is only a facsimile of the man who whipped Billy Conn before entering the armed services. What do you think about it from my point of view? As I recall fairly well, your story asking Louis to retire as did Turney was written some two years ago.

Sincerely, Walt Catlett."

PROMINENT SPORTSMAN PASSES

JERRY PRESTON, fabulous sports and nightlife figure, died in Memorial hospital Saturday night, Oct. 2. Much more than 1,000 friends and admirers gathered on Tuesday night following at Memorial Baptist Church to hear flowery Rev. Monroe preach over all that was mortal of the prominent yachtsman, cabaret owner and patron of Broadway shows and championship sporting events.

Harlem has rarely witnessed more solemn and beautifully arranged funerals than the final testimonial to this well-liked mixer-among-men. From the outer doorsteps right up to the pulpit which was a veritable flower garden, the great and small listened in hushed silence as the preacher intoned: —

"Let me live in the house by the side of the road, and be a friend to man."

Telegrams and letters from persons high in the official life of this city and the nation were in abundance. Rev. Monroe read a touching one from former Civil Service Commissioner Ferdinand S. Morton, a friend of Mr. Preston's for more than 25 years. Coming to this country some 43 years ago from the West Indies, Jerry was an early protegee (in cabaret circles) of Baron Wilkins, top nightlife figure of his day, and the equally prominent John Connors.

During the lush and roaring '20's when downtown bourgeoisie raced to enjoy the entertainment furnished by Harlem's "tan drudges," the name of Preston shone with the brilliance of the Kohinor diamond. Acquiring the Royal Garden in West 131st St. from John Connors, he quickly turned it into an uptown cafe-society showplace. Men like Hollywood's Count Mike Romanoff, Texas Guinan and her brother, Tommy, Phil Plant and other equally well known playboys and girls, made nightly visits to this and other Preston spots.

When radio first made its appearance, again it was far-sighted Jerry Preston who polished up an erstwhile dark room and called it Jerry's Radio Bar and Grill. He moved with the tempo and progress of each decade and was respected by most Harlem dwellers because of this. An integral part of Harlem's modern rise and development, he lives on in the minds of us who knew ad labored with him and always will in my humble opinion.

Interment was made in Woodlawn cemetery. He is survived by Melvin, a son; Dorothy Preston, a daughter; a sister, Gladys Preston, Cynthia, one who admired him greatly and administered to him during his suffering; and Dasher Grant a brother-in-law. Gone to where the "woodbine twineth" as one day each of us must, Jerry Preston's passing has left a lump in the hearts of thousands of Harlemites.

SATCH PAIGE-REALIZES A DREAM

On Sunday, Oct. 10, Satchel Paige, born Leroy, became the first American of African parentage to pitch in a world series among other fists. The Mobile, Ala., born baseball pitcher whose exploits rival that of any best-seller's hero, had a run scored after an outfield fly to Larry Doby; had an umpire caution him about his puzzling pitching motion, experienced the calling of a balk by the side out after Bob Feller and Russ Christopher had failed to do so.

MELTING POT DRIPPINGS

We stop on 116th St., to chat with trainer BILL MILLER, about N. Y. Age's Leslie Matthews' recent piece on him; I told Bill I thought the yarn a corker. "The 'loot' in the six day bike races falls far short of the take back in the days when I was in high school here in Ole N'Yawk town. Maybe paced-motorcycle races are more in keeping with the speed and mad technocrats of the day, aye Josephine??? EZZARD CHARLES, out on a limb for that Nov. 12 due with burley JOE BAKSI, might suggest CURTIS SHEPPARD for an opponent and please the ex-manager of JERSEY JOE WALCOTT who has the "hatchet man" under his hard-to-spell-or-pronounce name (call me Bo Cashe ey) says he, says he, — Sheppard, a rough party with a flare for upsetting appreciators at the wrong fistic-intersections, might not be a bright suggestion aye brother Ezzard, or — are all these lameducks whom you've chilled at various times, just dessert after a meal for your blazing fists???

MILLS versus ROBINSON chatter still fills the autumn winds so-o-o let the lads get together or cut out the chun music Maximilian, the hoosegow (pardon) i. e. the . . . BOOBYHOUSE beckons eer another Indian moon wax and wanes . . . PANCHO GONZALES, the zany of the tennis world, with doubtless a hair or two of ole "tarbrush" in his bleed-steams (blood is a much better word), continues, — to keep himself in the headlines by winning all the time when a loss looms in the unforeseeable future . . .

DETROIT SLIM RETURNS

Back in the city from a billiard-playing trip to Chicago and other cities is Paul Graham, known to thousands the country over simply as "Detroit Slim." The outstanding pocket-a-piece player among colored exponents in the nation, "Detroit" tells me that he ran into stiff opposition in the Widy City at bank-poll style of play. One thing I like about Paul Graham, he is ever first to admit defeat and rarely fails to give his conqueror the praise he feels he deserves.

Jackson Passes Lead Shaw To Win Over Aggies

RALEIGH — The passing arm of James L. Jackson proved the mainstay of the Shaw Bears as they tamed a vicious Aggie eleven from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical College 12-6 Saturday night before 5,000 fans at Clark Park. Jackson, brilliant aerial tosser from Alexandria, Va., was on the dispatching end of passes which accounted for both touchdowns, connecting once with James Brown, an end and hitting Twillie Bellamy, towering All-CIAA halfback, for the second.

The Aggies disputed the Shaw advantage at the way. The first period was almost entirely theirs as they kept the Bears in Shaw territory throughout. The Aggies spotted the Raleigh aggregation a touchdown in the second period and then roared back to set up their own tally late in the third quarter, cashing in on the first play of the final frame, and deadlocking the contest, 6-6. There were less than 4 minutes of playing time in the game when the locals came through with a second touchdown to put the game on ice.

The first tally by the Bears came early in the second period after Roscoe Floyd, Shaw fullback, had intercepted an A. and T. pass, bringing it up to the Aggie 42 where he was run out of bounds. Jackson passed to Everett Lattimore for a first and 10 and then hit Bellamy for another on the A. and T. 11. It was Jackson again who faded to lob an aerial to James Brown in the end zone for the touchdown. George Benton's placekick bounced off the uprights.

The tally by the Aggies was also set up on a pass interception. Milas Kelly, A. and T. quarterback who sparked every Aggie offensive thrust, intercepted a pass thrown by Bellamy and ran it to his own 49 Leonard Harshaw, on the first play, ripped over right tackle and danced down the sideline to the Shaw one yard line where he was run out by Alfred Shields. The Bears held for two downs and then went for it. Leonard Harshaw hit cover the goal line but fumbled and the fumble was recovered by David Kitchner for the touchdown. William Blakeley's kick was blocked by John Goodrich, Shaw flanker.

The Bears drove right back from the kickoff, reaching the A. and T. 16, where they lost the ball on a fumble. They regained possession on the Aggie 35 after Leroy Way, big All-CIAA guard, had covered an A. and T. fumble. The locals began to move on the ground, picking up two first downs on brilliant dashes by William Purnell, Charles Johnson, and Bill Wallace. Jackson's 32 yard pass to Bellamy was the payoff. Goodrich was stopped on an end around and Shaw failed to convert.

LINCOLN SOCCER TEAM BOWS TO ELIZABETHTOWN

LINCOLN, Pa. — The Lincoln Soccer team, slightly over-confident because of the 3-0 snuffacking it gave to Elizabethtown College the previous week, invaded the Blue and White field and were drubbed to the tune of 2-1 by a much improved Elizabethtown eleven. Playing on a field 20 yards shorter than they are accustomed to, the Lions were unable to reach just their game to the short passing attack required, and they repeatedly missed occasions to score during the scores first half in which Elizabethtown battled them on even terms.

Shortly after beginning the 2nd half, S. Myers, the Blue and White inside right, scored the first marker after his team mates had skillfully outmaneuvered the Lincoln men in the goal area. Elizabethtown forged ahead 2-0 at the opening of the last quarter when M. Myers, outside left and brother of the first scorer, booted in a tally with a well-aimed shot just inside the penalty area.

With their backs to the wall, the Lions strove desperately to even the count in the last quarter. There was a barrage of shots made at the Elizabeth goal but Haverstick, the goalie, did a Trojan job in repelling them. However, 4 minutes before the end of the contest Arch, the Lion's versatile outside left, scored the Lion's only goal with a beautiful kick of more than 25 yards. Elizabethtown tightened its defense and held the Orange and Blue scoreless until the end of the match, thereby carrying off a deserved victory and evening up the series. Another of the Lincoln team, deserving special mention for his fighting spirit, for he greatly bolstered the Lions' forward line.

AGGIES TO MEET MORGAN BEARS IN HOMECOMER

GREENSBORO & A gala homecoming celebration will feature the gridiron classic between North Carolina A. and T. College and Morgan State College when these powerful CIAA teams take the field at Memorial Stadium here Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Coach William Bell, although disappointed in the showing of his A. and T. Aggies in their second conference contest with Hampton Institute, was considerably happier this week after the creditable performance against the Shaw Bears at Raleigh last Saturday and began drilling his player on defense plays against Morgan's running attack.

Both Morgan and A. and T. will be struggling to regain lost prestige. The Morgan Bears, after defeating Delaware State, 41 to 0, were upset by the N. C. College Eagles at Durham, 14 to 13, while the Aggies bowed to Hampton, 21 to 0, in another major upset.

The Aggies will send their full force against the Bears in this homecoming event, hopeful of re-establishing themselves among the conference favorites. It was against Morgan that the Aggies put up one of their best fights last season, the battle ended in a 12-12 tie.

Idlewild Wildcats Win Over Hayes Barton II

The Idlewild Wildcats scored their victory over a white team when they won over the Hayes Barton Rams, 24-18, here recently.



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AGGIE BACKFIELD STAG: "Little Willy from Philly" — That's what the North Carolina A. and T. College student body nicknamed Milas Kelly, sensational triple-threat backfield star who actually comes from Bridge- ton, N. J. Kelly will be counted upon to lead the Aggies against the Morgan State Bears in the big homecoming game at Greensboro, Saturday, October 30.

Union Panthers Bow 21-7 Before Lincoln Lions

BY HORACE G. DAWSON
LINCOLN UNIVERSITY, Pa. — It was an inspired pack of Lincoln Lions that came back Saturday after their upset of last week and routed the Panthers of Virginia Union University, 21-7 before a cheering throng of Homecoming fans. Lincoln was out in front all the way in a game that saw her offenses and defenses clicking in perfect coordination.

Lincoln markers came in the first and fourth periods. Jolting Joe Harris booted over from the one in the first 4 minutes of play after Andy Wertz, guard gained all day, ripped off 57 yards to lace the oval under the goal shadow. Cooke's interception in the third period set in the second score. Taking the ball on the Union 35, he scampered to the 4, from which point Jolting Joe Harris again went through the Union wall of glory. Then reverting to broken field running to show his versatility, Harris took the pigskin on the Union 22 and dashed over the line through the entire Union squad. Warren Oldham, power driving full back for Union, made the only Virginia marker from the 5 in the second period. Perkins converted for the Panthers. And a pass from Smith to Cooke in the final frame gave Lincoln her only point after.

And it was Leonard Burris of New-castle, Pa. showing the speed and effectiveness that marked the action of Lincoln's line all day, who caught Emerson Robinson, behind the goal for a safety in the first period. Lincoln's line, consisting of Burris, Highlower, Prentice, Wallace, McCray, Bridgeforth and Jackson, matched the skill of the running team and breaking through to smother all Union attempts. Lacey Jackson of Wilmington, Delaware, sparked the line as he hit Union runners for loss after loss. And McCray and Prentice, both playing

Morris Brown To Meet Shaw Bears For Homecoming

Shaw and Morris Brown resume their friendly hostilities Saturday, October 23, when the traditional interconference rivals meet at the main dish of Shaw University's 1948 Homecoming menu. Always intensifying the banter and competition which the game involves is the long and close friendship of the presidents of the two schools, Dr. William A. Fountain of Morris Brown and Dr. Robert P. Daniel of Shaw. Supporters of the colleges, as usual, are rallying behind their teams and their college presidents in what always is for each the battle-of-the-year.

SEPIA BASEBALL IMPROVEMENT IS PREDICTED IN '49

BY R. S. SIMMONS

CHICAGO (ANP) — While attending the three world series games at Cleveland and watching the actions of all the players on both sides including Larry Doby and Satchel Paige, I was thrilled to see the latter two fill their positions of advancement in the world of baseball.

Now that Jackie Robinson, Roy Campanella, Larry Doby, and Satchel Paige, have set a great pace for Negro ball players to follow, one need not be surprised to see a great improvement in Negro baseball in 1949 and the Chicago American Giants, representing the second largest city in America, are in high hopes of leading the field in that progressiveness beginning in 1949. They may be many changes made in order to fulfill this hope, and according to what has been learned other teams in both the Negro American and National leagues and in Negro baseball in general have the same idea.

It is generally realized that Negro baseball must advance with the times, and plans have been mapped out for the beginning of such advancement, leading with a must. Negro baseball owners have set out to ascertain what is lacking here and there and what would hamper the greatest success of Negro baseball in the future. They will take immediate steps to rectify that which is found to not be fitting and proper.

Never before in the history of Negro baseball were the sepia baseball men so interested in their own game, both from the standpoint of giving their fans better baseball, and for the Negro player who wants to advance.

own territory. Cooke intercepted a pass from Parham on the Union 35 and reared the 4. Thomas bucked for three yards, and Harris went over. This play came at the end of some smart quarterbacking on the part of Bobby Smith. Backed against the wall as the quarter waned, he maneuvered three plays that took the ball for the 3 to the 20 yard line. His kick gave Lincoln advantage in the drive.

Birggs got off a poor kick from his own 4 to start Lincoln's final TD. Wertz scooped the ball up on the 32 and raced to the 22. Then Harris made his final dash for paydirt.

The Panthers, led by Parham and Williams, once more took to the air as the game slowly died away. However, the Lincoln defense held firm, and the Panthers were unable to advance beyond the 35. Lincoln got 9 first downs, Union 8. Lincoln attempted 8 passes, completing 2. While Union attempted 18 and completed 8. Both teams intercepted two passes each.



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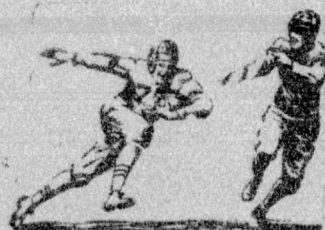
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