

Eddie Machem Issue Ring Challenge To Patterson

'Ready Now To Meet Floyd,' Says Machem After Beating Bob Baker

CHICAGO (ANP) — Fast-moving Eddie Machem of Reading, Pa., issued the challenge Saturday for handing Bob Baker of Pittsburgh a severe shellacking before Floyd Patterson in the Chicago Stadium. The crowd, which paid a gross of \$2,915,600 and a net of \$1,987,411, cheered Machem, who paced the slow-moving Baker, who weighed 219 pounds, seemed unable to extract himself.

Machem, who scaled 164, gave away 26 pounds to Baker, but it was hardly noticeable. He followed the hulking Baker around the ring, and he was the only one who seemed to be in the fight.

Afterwards, in issuing the title challenge, Machem said the Baker fight was one of his best. He said he was not at any time.

Asked when he would be ready to meet Patterson, Eddie replied firmly, "I'm ready now."

Baker, on the other hand, was a heavy, swollen warrior. His face was puffed, his left eyebrow out and he seemed near exhaustion. He said it was the worst beating he has ever received. "That boy beat me good," he kept repeating.

Asked about his future plans, he said he would "go through" through the "championship" fight with Tommy "Hurricane" Jackson.



GREASE JOB — A few days before the first defense of his heavyweight title, Floyd Patterson still found time for members of the "Champions of Tomorrow" group which visited his Greenwood Lake, N. Y., training camp. Here he "greases" Tony Chillo, 10, before sending the little terror into the ring. (Newspress Photo.)

Bert Piggot's Appointment Brings New Hope To Aggies

GREENSBORO — The recent appointment of Bert Piggot as head coach at A&T College gives the hopes of improved Aggie teams a brand new lustre.

The choice of Piggot has met with acceptance by the players, coaches and faculty at the college, but equally important, by the thousands of alumni who have not been exactly jubilant over Aggie's near misses in recent "conference" championship play.

This latter group has gone all out for Piggot during the brief spell since his appointment and are still besuing the bushes, hoping in that all important task of encouraging good and promising high school athletes to enter A&T his fall.

Bert brings to the job a lot of natural ability, good training under some of the best coaches in the country, a wealth of experience in the game, a pleasing personality which counts him in along with players and others and a burning desire to win.

He started off as a brilliant young athlete and made a fine record in spite of untimely injuries which almost ruined his career as an exceptionally outstanding performer.

He was a star in football, baseball, boxing and tennis at the Winsdale (Ill.) High School from which he graduated in 1930. He breezed through his freshman year at the University of Illinois at Urbana as team captain and was later voted the "most valuable player" for the year.

He played under the supervision of the famed Bob Zuppke during his sophomore and junior years in 1930 and 1941, then interrupted by a three-year military stint.

While in the service he played for two seasons with the Tuskegee Army Air Force Base in Alabama under Bill Bell, who he succeeds at A&T.

Bert returned to Illinois in 1956 for his final year of eligibility to win the "Big Ten" title as "Buckeye" Young, Paul Patterson and Ike Owens and a new coach, Ray Elbert. He contributed a fine share to the team which last year topped the Big Ten title and later emerged as Rose Bowl champs.

An outstanding passer and punter, Piggot was quickly signed by the Los Angeles Rams and turned



AGGIE MENTOR — Bert Piggot, recently appointed head football coach at A&T College. Greensboro. Those who know him are confident that he is equal to the task.

Major League Roundup

CHICAGO (ANP) — Early this season, Wes Covington, the sophomore Milwaukee outfielder, went down to the White Sox of the American Association. He was not at all expected.

Then, oddly enough, when the Braves needed more punch, they recalled Manager Fred Haney, who had the Braves in no complaint about his hitting year. At the time, Haney was in New York, but he was called to New York to manage the team.

Covington socked two home runs and that kept the Braves in the National League standings.

Covington hit a solo home run in the seventh inning and in the ninth after the Braves had tied the game. He blasted one against the roof of the polo grounds, with a teammate on base, to give Milwaukee a 7-to-5 victory.

The drive was Covington's eighth homer of the season.

Three of Covington's teammates — Outfielders Hank Aaron and Billy Brant and infielder Willie Mantilla — were injured when they collided in the Philadelphia stadium.

Aaron, in midst of a drive to win the National League MVP crown in batting, suffered an ankle injury. When he was forced out of action, Aaron was batting .352. He was leading the league in hits (150), runs batted in (100) and runs scored (71).

Another slumping player — Smith — had a 2-for-22 performance in his last game. He was having his troubles at the plate, but he was leading the league in runs scored (71) and hits (150).

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On The Charlotte SPORTS SCENE

By BILL JOHNSON

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CHARLOTTE — While the majority of the local sportsmen's attention is directed to the tight race being waged in the National League, the City-County loop is waging a hot battle of its own which would make the big league situation look like run away.

Here is the way they were stacked after action here Saturday. Southside was leading by a mere game, while three clubs, Thrift, Grove and Charlotte Black Sox, were tied for second. Belmont is third only three games back.

Thrift stopped its losing ways at five straight with a 4-1 victory over the winless Mohawk Giants, with Robert Sadtler pitching 6 1/2 hit ball and Roder Ervin getting two hits in five at bats. It was the fifth straight triumph of the campaign for Sadtler, who is unbeaten in four play.

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Jailed, Unable To Post Bond: Judge Orders Singer Billy Williams To Pay Wife \$173 Weekly Support

HACKENSACK, N. J. (ANP) — A Superior Court judge here last week tore at the neck of singer Billy Williams and ordered a \$173 weekly allowance in child support for his wife. The judge also ordered Williams to pay his wife \$173 a week support, to which Williams agreed.

Earlier the singer had been indicted on charges of desertion and non-support.

The indictment was dropped after Williams agreed to pay \$173 weekly to his family.

Mrs. Williams told the judge that the singer had only been paying her \$100 a week.

No Jim Crow In England, Althea Says

NEWARK, N. J. (ANP) — Althea Gibson, current Wimbledon tennis queen, was quoted as saying here last week that she encountered no color bars during the Wimbledon tournament in England.

"I encountered no color barriers and none of the players have ever been rude to me," the lanky player stated.

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Morgan State College Bears List Rugged 9-Game Gridiron Schedule

BALTIMORE, Md. — A nine-game schedule, including its first football contest with rival Maryland State College, looms for the Morgan State College Bears in the 1957 season. Athletic Director Eddie P. Hurt disclosed today.

Hurt announced that Morgan will play in a total of three districts and three night games, with the Maryland State meeting scheduled for October 12, 8 p.m., in Memorial Stadium here.

The Hawk-Bear contest, long viewed and long awaited as a "natural," will pit the long-time powerful Morgan eleven for the first time in a gridiron battle against the rancorous Area school which has become one of the top teams in the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

In Capital Classic, Morgan will meet West Virginia State College in the Capital Classic in Washington, D. C. on the night of October 26, and will renew its traditional rivalry with Virginia State College of Petersburg, Va. in the Thanksgiving Day Classic here on November 28.

The third night game on the schedule is an October 5 meeting with North Carolina College in Durham, N. C.



CAMP PRYOR JACKSON

Reid was the outstanding hitter. The big righthander held the Sox to four singles, while his mates were pounding William Walker for seven, including a home run by Reid. It was the third straight victory and the sixth win in the last seven games for Manager Neely's hot nine.

Southside took the measure of Belmont, 5-2.

The decision kept the Bombers a game ahead of the pack in the tight battle being waged for the championship.

Saturday's games will have Thrift playing at Southside. This will be the top attraction on the agenda. Other games will have Belmont playing at Pneumonia in a doubleheader, and the Mohawk Giants visiting Grove.

Three Prep Stars Seen In Big Game

CHICAGO (ANP) — Three members of this city's youthful baseball fraternity appeared in the 25th annual East-West classic at Comiskey Park last Sunday.

All former stars of local high schools, they are John Winston of the Kansas City Monarchs, Joe Mims and Abdullah Johnson of the Detroit Stars. Winston and Mims are pitchers; Johnson is a first baseman.

Going into the game last Sunday Winston had record of seven straight victories, Mims, a 2 and 1 tally, and Johnson was hitting .302. All are fine prospects.

Here in Chicago "Little League" baseball for youngsters under 15 is sponsored by Mayor Richard J. Daley's Youth Foundation. The program is vital in helping to curb juvenile delinquency.

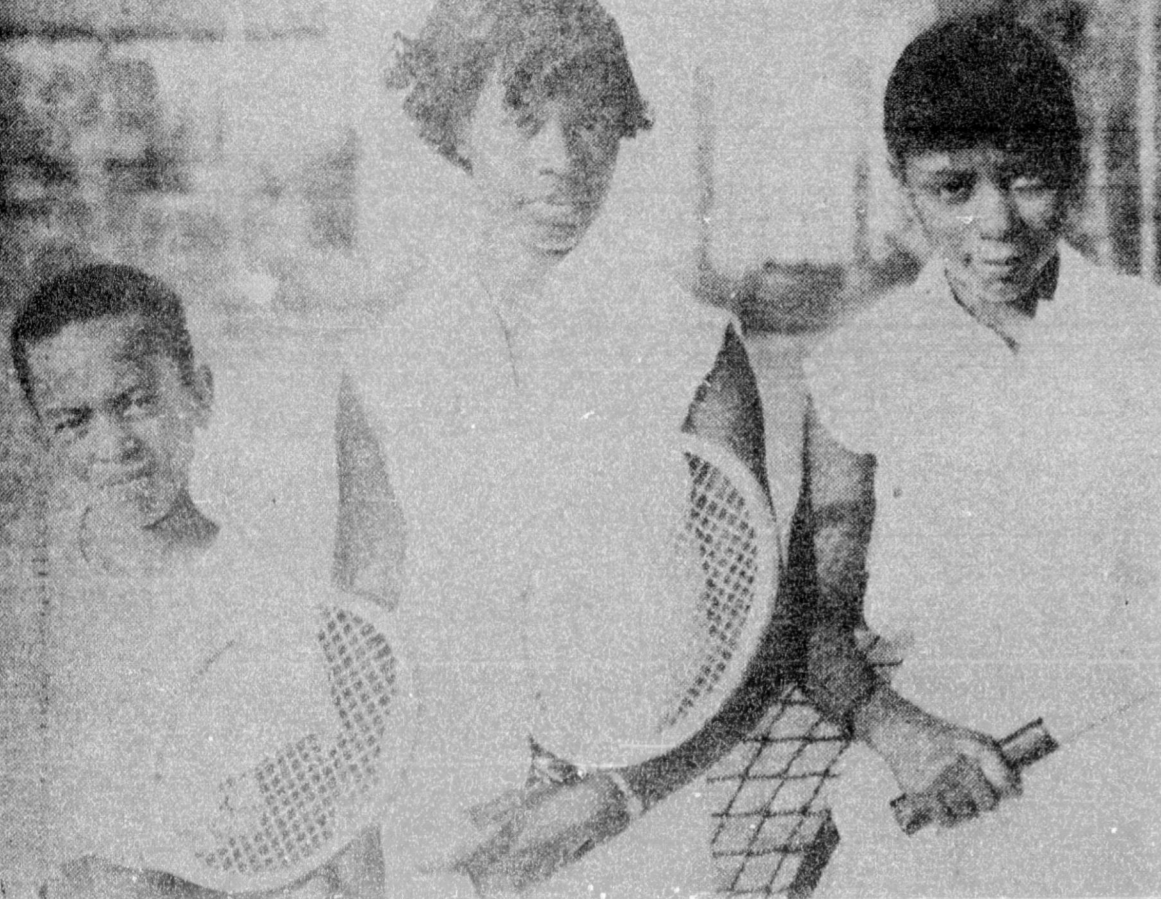
Sports Headliners Take Part In South Side Baseball Rally

CHICAGO (ANP) — Joe Louis, the all-time great of the boxing profession; Ernie Banks of the Chicago Cubs; Ollie Matson and Dick "Night Train" Lane of the Chicago Cardinals; and Rogers Hornsby of Mayor Daley's Youth Foundation, were on hand Saturday morning to lend their support to a day of baseball at the Carter Baseball Park, 133rd St. near Ellis Ave.

The day began with a parade around two of the Chicago Housing Authority's projects, Alford Gardens and Murray Homes. Seven hundred boys, 8 to 15 years old, from the area are enrolled in the Youth Foundation and participate in the organized program of competitive sports.

The entire program was the result of the efforts of Police Officer Art Kimber of the Kensington Station (12th District), who has been spending five and six of his off duty hours every day working with these youngsters.

"The main point of the festivities," says Officer Kimber, "was to acquaint parents with what their sons are doing and to try and interest the parents in their own activities."



BROTHER-SISTER TEAM TO PLAY IN DURHAM NATIONALS — Left to right, Jimmy Reid and Ethel Reid of Lynchburg, who will play mixed doubles and Ethel Bell, Norfolk, Virginia, extreme right, will team with Ethel in girls doubles under 15. Large numbers of girls and boys all ages are entering the National Junior Championships to be held on N. C. College's Courts July 31-August 1, 2, 3.



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