

# Shaw Nips Bluefield, 57-56; Rams Beat Falcons, 77-62

## Wm. Murphy Tops Bears' Scoring Here

Robert Cooper, clutch-shooting at the foul line accounted for the Shaw University Bears' 57-56 victory over Bluefield State Teachers College of Bluefield, W. Va. Saturday night in the spooling gymnasium on the campus here.

Sneavs made four free throws in the final 1:30, the decisive with 31 seconds left. He had made one point prior to the climactic moments.

The Bears' scoring was topped by William Murphy with 24 points. The Shaw quartet now stands 5-6 in CIAA play.

Frank Keith, returning to the Shaw lineup after being ineligible during the first semester, scored 10 points and was a leader on the floor.

Leading Bluefield was James Galberry, who picked up 10 points for the Big Blues. Bluefield now sports an 8-8 record in CIAA competition.

## BEATING THE GUN

By BILL BROWER

When Willie Mays signed his 1955 baseball contract with the San Francisco Giants, the event had far more significance than merely a star performer and a club getting together on contract terms. As almost everyone must know by now, Mays signed for a record Giants' salary, something in the breath of \$70,000.

This will, indeed, be more money than Jackie Robinson who certainly deserved that sort of compensation ever got. No fan ball player hitherto had broken the \$50,000 barrier.

No one will deny that a good many of the best fan players deserved something more than they received. Some of them were doubly enough to demand more when they regarded themselves a bit on the short side.

Recently, Minnie Mingo, traded by the Chicago White Sox to the Cleveland Indians, was offered a contract for \$40,000, about \$5,000 more than he received in 1953. This was a psychological gesture by Cleveland's General Manager Frank Lane. Minnie is stubborn about such things and said he'd have to think the matter over. So far he has signed.

Undoubtedly, Robinson was the most grossly underpaid performer in the history of baseball. Sam Rice, Jackie got up to about \$45,000. But actually, for several seasons, Robinson was the outstanding gate attraction in the National League. If not in all baseball. Furthermore, he was just as outstanding artistically, one of the greatest competitors in this baseball generation.

It is the firm belief here—making allowances for the fact that the old Brooklyn Dodger management was something of a tightwad—that Robinson's hue been of the puerile variety he would have been drawing enough at the level of the compensation received by Stan Musial, Joe DiMaggio and Ted Williams.

## FAMUCagers Now 5 Wins In The Lead

TALLAHASSEE — The Florida A. and M. University cagers took SIAC hardwood hits from Morris Brown and Tuskegee Institute last week to increase their conference record to six victories against a single defeat.

FAMU downed Morris Brown 73-76 in Atlanta Monday night and handed Tuskegee Institute a 90-72 licking here Tuesday night.

The fast-breaking Orlesby tutored "five" scored to a 57-20 margin over the Morris Brown Wolverines during the first half of play and had to hold on to their slant in the second half to edge the Atlantans.

Coming back in the last ten minutes of play like a fictional character in a novel, Robert Myles dumped ten field goals and three charity tosses to pace the Wolverines' attack.

Rattler Coach E. Olesby, who stands at intervals to indicate approval of his team's play, sent in his storm troopers to stall the rally. Olesby uses a two-team piston system to keep his men ready for the fast break and press game employment by him.

Gibson paced the Floridians over the keeper with ten field goals and two charity tosses. A nearly capacity crowd gathered into the FAMU gymnasium to cheer the Rattlers on to a 90-72 victory over the terrapin Tuskegeans.

Leadman forward Robin Young opened the game's scoring with a neat lay-up and a free throw.



SCORE FOR THE AGGIES — Herbert Grey (16) star forward with the A.T. College Aggies, leaps for a jump shot above the guard of Lawrence Harrison, Winston-Salem Teachers College player in the game played at the Charles Moore Gymnasium last Monday. Grey dumped 15 points for the evening which helped his team defeat the Teachers, 63-54 in a thrilling contest.

## Livingstone Cops Third Win In Row By Defeating Fayetteville State, 89-87

SALISBURY — Livingstone College's Bears drew a 89-87 triumph at halftime and then came back in the final seconds to turn back Fayetteville State Teachers 89-87, for their third straight victory at the Trent Gymnasium on Thursday night.

The Bears held a 46-36 advantage at halftime but the visitors staged a hot rally in the second half by scoring 41 points.

Fayetteville carried 45 with the Bears at 44-34 with 1:30 left in the game. William King hit a jump shot to break the deadlock.

James Pompey dropped in a lay-up for Fayetteville to lead the scoring at 25 seconds left. The tie game was broken by one point on a foul shot by William Valentine. Pompey drew in at 27:37 for Livingstone.

With six seconds to go, Willie McVitt dropped in a field goal to seal the thrilling contest. Davis was high man for the Bears with 21 points, followed by James King with 17, McVitt with 13 and James Robinson with 12. Pompey with 21 assists led the visitors.

## Chicago To Host Pan-Am Games

CHICAGO — (AP) — The eyes of the world will be focused upon Chicago, Aug. 21 through Sept. 7, 1955.

During that period, the Pan American Olympic Games, second only to the Olympic Games, will be held under the joint sponsorship of the Pan American Sports Organization and the City of Chicago, Richard J. Daley, mayor.

In the event, which was announced officially last week, some 2,000 athletes and scores of other people from the countries that make up the Pan American Union will participate. These will include many Negroes, who will participate in sports and civic-wise.

The sporting events which will utilize Chicago's major facilities, including Soldier Field and the athletic fields of the leading universities, gymnasiums and parks, will highlight a month-long period of celebration during which a Festival of the Americas will be held.

The festival, in which several Negro athletes will participate, will feature exhibits, concerts, racial demonstrations and other programs designed to create greater understanding and cooperation between the countries of the Americas. The month of August, meanwhile, has been dedicated to the Americas.



WINSTON-SALEM STAR WINS — Elias Gilbert of Winston-Salem Teachers College, left, captured the 45 yard high hurdles with a time of 5:40 in the 32nd annual Knights of Columbus indoor track meet at the Boston, Mass. Garden recently. Charles Pratt of the Philadelphia Pioneer Club, right, came in second. (UNITED PRESS TELEPHOTO).

## For Baltimore Orioles:

## Acquisition Of Doby Helps Pennant Bids

(Editor's Note: This is one of a series of stories on major league baseball teams with two players.)

CHICAGO — (AP) — With the acquisition of Larry Doby, the Baltimore Orioles are regarded as a dark horse in the coming American League race.

The Orioles, fourth-place finishers last season, needed batting punch Doby acquired in a 5-play, or deal in December, has the potential to supply the long ball despite the vast presence of Baltimore's Memorial Stadium.

Larry is one of six last players who will head for the team's training camp at Scottsdale, Ariz. Two others can hold the role of key players are Bob Baya, the best hitter on the team in 1954, and Carmine Johnson, a strong-armed right-handed pitcher who was the leading pitcher.

Joe Durham and Lemmie Green, a pair of young outfielders who were called up in late season, will have a full-fledged shot this year. Also back for a second chance Charlie Brown, a right-handed who was handicapped by nervousness in spring training last year.

## Robertson, Chamberlain In Hot Cage Scoring Battle

CHICAGO — (AP) — Oscar Robertson and Walt Chamberlain in the books of most experts the outstanding college players, continue their half-brother race for national individual scoring honors.

Robertson, the sensation of the University of Cincinnati, sophomore, held the edge, according to statistics compiled by the National Collegiate Athletic Bureau through Jan. 14. Robertson had scored 425 points in 13 games for a 32.7 average. He had averaged 43 points in his last three games.

Chamberlain, whose absence from the Kansas lineup for two games, resulted in losses for the Jayhawks, had a 32.2 average. He had scored 234 points in 11 games.

The leaders were trailed by two other fan players—Eugene Breyer, brilliant State performer, and Wayne Embry, Miami center star. Breyer, third, had scored 364 points in 10 games for a 36.4 average. In fourth place, Embry had tallied 236 points in 11 games for a 26.9 average.

In fifth place was Mal Greer, Marshall (Huntington, W. Va.) who had registered 270 points in 11 games for a 24.5 average.

## Hampton Institute's Swimming Team Gets Upset Win Over Bears

HAMPTON, Va. — Hampton Institute's swimming team scored a 45-11 upset victory over favored Morgan State College (Baltimore), defending CIAA champions, in a close meet last Saturday in the Hampton Recreation Building.

The meet consisted of 10 events, including two relays. Hampton swept both relays, won three first places, four second and four third for the victory edge.

Morgan won five first, four second and four thirds, but lost the heavily weighted relays which counted seven points each.

## Pirates Open Spring Grid Drills Feb. 1

HAMPTON, Va. — Beginning Feb. 1 for the first time in seven years Hampton Institute will hold spring football practice. Coach Ben Whaley announced last week.

"We hope to attract new men as well as veteran members of the team," Whaley explained. "It will be especially good for bringing up players who did not see a lot of action last year."

Well stress the fundamentals: blocking, tackling, running, passing in this all-out effort to improve team play," he continued.

According to Whaley, many colleges in the CIAA have spring practice. The decision to resume spring practice at Hampton is part of an over-all effort to strengthen the Pirate eleven. In last season's play, Hampton won 4, lost 5, an improvement over the previous year's record of 2-7.

Assisting Whaley with the practice sessions will be J. Morgan Griffin, backfield coach, and Dr. Herman N. Nelson, end coach and Director of Athletics for the college. Clyde Clark, junior from San Antonio, Texas is captain-elect of the 1955 team.

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FIRST NEGRO IN NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE — Willie O'Ree, 23, of Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada, is the first Negro player in the National Hockey League. He played his first game January 18, helping the Boston Bruins to shut out the Montreal Canadiens, 3-0. (UNITED PRESS PHOTO).

## Falcons Led At Half, But Lost To Rams

WINSTON-SALEM — The Rams of Winston-Salem Teachers College overcame a first half deficit and came to a 77-62 one victory over the Falcons of St. Augustine's College here Saturday night in the local gymnasium.

The win gave the Rams a 27-7 record in the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association. St. Augustine's now has a 3-7 CIAA record.

Wilfred John led the Rams' scoring, hitting with seven out of fourteen shots from the four and eight of 12 free throws. John racked up 22 points during the game. Four of the Rams' five hit in double figures. Cleo Hill scored 19; Rufus McClendon, 14; and Lawrence Harrison scored 11.

Robert Hicks led the Raleigh aggression with 16 points.

The Rams blew a 27-17 lead, as St. Augustine's spurred to a 34-32 halftime lead. The Rams started to get again in the second half and won without too much difficulty.

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