

Boxer Holly Mims Helps Capture Gas Station Robber



Middleweight Credited With Boy's Capture

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (ANP) — Holly Mims, local middleweight, last week was credited with helping to capture a 14-year-old youth attempting a getaway after robbing a gas station of about \$1,900. All but \$100 was recovered.

Mims, 29, was training at the nearby Capital area when he heard sounds of a chase. Capt. Otto Fuss of the 13th Precinct said Mims took off when he saw the youth fleeing.

The two chased the boy down several alleys before over taking him.

According to Capt. Fuss, a juvenile with a record for purse snatching, grabbed a cash box containing the money when the owner of the Sunoco Station placed it in his car and went back inside for a moment.

Mims at one time was the No. 2 contender for title honors.

BEATING THE GUN

By BILL BROWER FOR ANP

Sentimentalists probably would have rather seen Will Chamberlain complete his college basketball career. No doubt Will would have had another tremendous season at Kansas and would have gone on to an almost unprecedented distinction as a three-time All-American.

All of that would be fine. But this corner feels that all things considered, Chamberlain made a smart move when he decided to forego his last year of college eligibility and turned pro.

As the most publicized college basketball player in history, Chamberlain has been hounded in a peculiar way since he entered Kansas. He could have hardly enjoyed a peace of mind. Consequently, we don't think the young 7-foot athlete was able to perform up to his potential.

In his article in Look magazine (the same publication that printed Jackie Robinson's story on his retirement from baseball), Chamberlain puts forth a convincing argument on why he never realized his great natural ability in college.

"The game I was forced to play at K U wasn't basketball. It was hurting my chances of ever developing into a successful professional player," he wrote.

He points out that conditions were against his developing into the kind of player that would have made him the top notch pro eager that every expected.

"I realize that opponents had to try the unorthodox to cope with my unusual physical advantages," he explains.

He says that only in one game his first against Northwestern in which he scored 52 points—was he guarded by only one man. In other games, he said, at least two men, sometimes three or four, were put on him.

"I was always stationed in the pivot," he continued, "fairly near the basket, so I could control rebound. To come out of that position would have been to sacrifice the rebound advantage. So all I could do was play there and jump-shoot or rebound or pass the ball back."

Chamberlain insisted that he could learn finer points of play. He said he could not hook—he did it only a couple of times and then players ganged up on him—and he could not run. These, he said, are the kind of things he has to develop to be able to compete with the pros.

There was no doubt about it. Coaches contrived ways to bottle up Will Frank McGuire, coach of the University of North Carolina which beat Kansas in the 1957 NCAA finals, wrote a glowing magazine account of how he devised means of baffling Will in his sophomore season.

Jerry Bush, coach of Nebraska, pulled an upset over Kansas last season. He considered it the coaching triumph of the century and telephoned friends back in Toledo, about it.

If the coaches had the ingenuity to reduce Chamberlain's effectiveness and his terrific height advantage, more power to them. If Chamberlain felt college basketball would not permit him to cope with such tactics, that makes his decision to quit Kansas all the more sensible.

Despite the exaggerated reports that Chamberlain received \$25,000 a year—or anything like it—for enrolling at the Lawrence, Kas. school, Will knows he can make quite a sum of money as a pro. The fact that he forsook Kansas is indicative Chamberlain received nothing substantial for his basketball wares for the Jayhawks.

Will also recognizes he has to cash on his earning potential while he is capable of getting the maximum return. The barnstorming tour will yield a tidy sum.

Nobody can criticize Chamberlain's desire to help his family (his 57-year-old father, 56-year-old mother and five brothers and three sisters). They are entitled to see the good things of life. If Will can help them in that respect, who should envy him?

Oh yes, there was the cross tri-

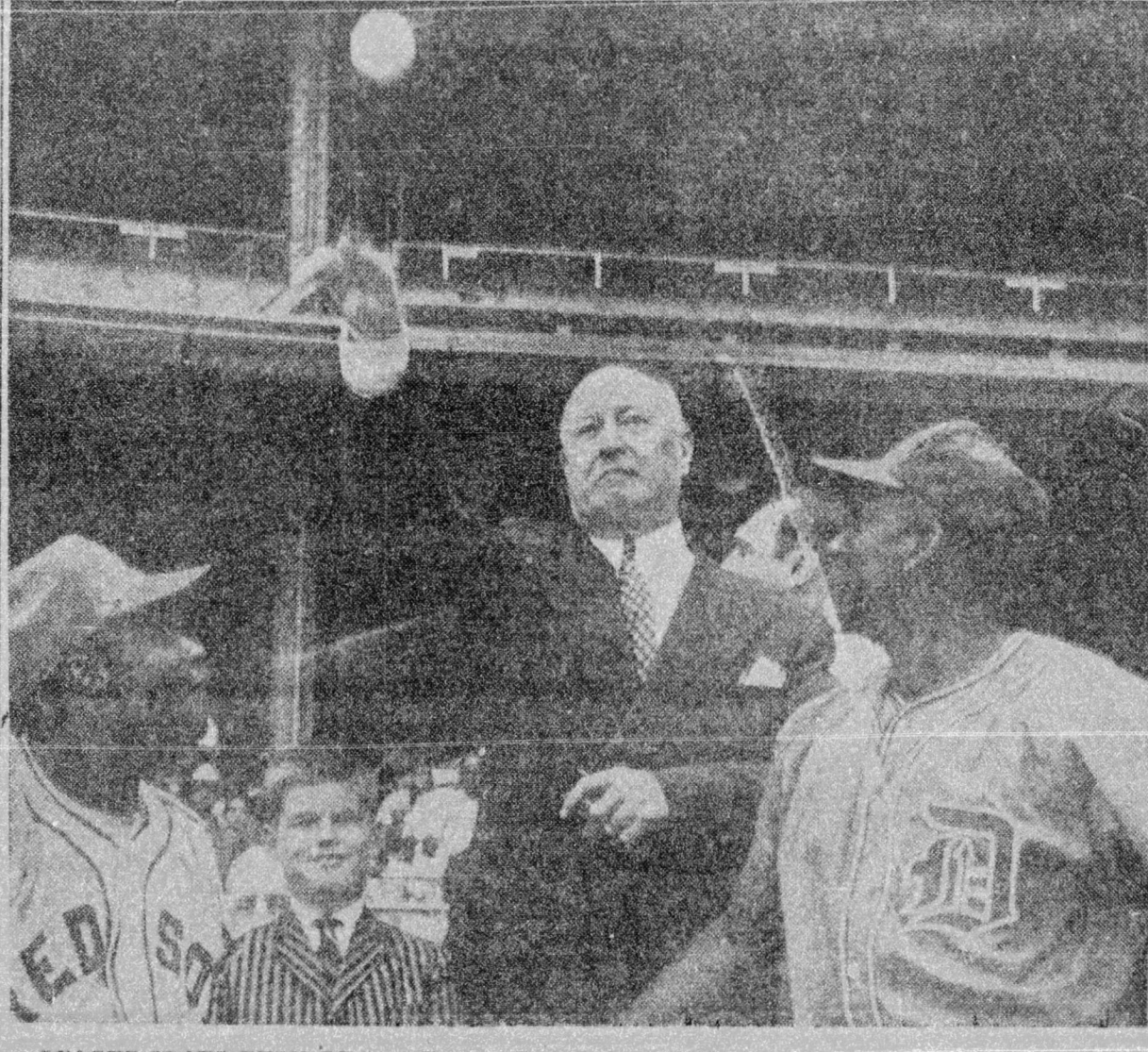


VISITS ARDENT ADMIRER — Ernie Banks, leading both leagues in homers with 18 and runs batted in with 48, takes time from batting practice to visit with an ardent admirer, Mike Beavers, 11, of Charleston, Ill., a polio victim since he was 3 years of age. Banks, of the Chicago Cubs, gifted the youngster with a new autographed baseball. (UPI TELEPHOTO).

Tommy Aaron:

Braves Sign Aaron's Brother Controversial Ex-Professor Faces

MILWAUKEE — (ANP) — The home run king who sparked the Milwaukee Braves early last week announced the signing of Tommy Aaron, younger brother of Hank Aaron, the 1957 National League



LEAGUE PLAYS TWIN BILL — Former U. S. Postmaster General James A. Farley, who just celebrated his 70th birthday, shows he's still in their pitch for the first twin bill of the Negro American League at Yankee Stadium, New York City last week. Watching Farley is his seven-year-old grandson Brian Hickey of Detroit, Mich. At left is manager Marlin Carter of the Memphis Red Sox and at right is manager Ed Steels of the Detroit Clowns. (UPI PHOTO).

Winston-Salem Track Team Seeks Honors In NAIA In San Diego, Cal.

WINSTON-SALEM — A proud community of Negro and white citizens worked together last week, and in one week raised enough funds to send the Winston-Salem Teachers College track team to California to run in San Diego.

The thimble will seek honors in the NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) nationals of San Diego, Calif.

Fans became excited over the Rams when for the second year in a row they won the Carolinas AAU team title in Raleigh, on the campus of North Carolina State College. Besides N. C. State, they faced such teams as Duke, South Carolina and other big white universities in North Carolina and South Carolina.

Oddly enough, Winston-Salem received its toughest competition from another Negro school, North Carolina College of Durham.

In that meet, Elias Gilbert set a new world record in the 220-yard low hurdles, winning in 22.1. His teammate, Fran Washington, tied the old world record of 22.2 as he came in second. Gilbert and Washington also came in one-two in the 120-yard high hurdles and Washington won the 440-yard lows.

Who rapped Chamberlain for selling his retirement story to a magazine without consulting authorities at Kansas. Whose quitting college, anyway?

Giles Commends Mays' Action In Big Ruckus

PHILADELPHIA — (ANP) — Willie Mays, San Francisco Giants outfielder, was commended by Warren C. Giles, National League president, for his "clear thinking and quick action in the Ruben Gomez-Danny Murtaugh hassle during a game between the Giants and the Pittsburgh Pirates recently."

In the game, Gomez and Murtaugh became involved in a fist-swinging, bat-wielding duel. The incident occurred when Murtaugh, Pirates manager, protested Umpire Frank Dascoli's warning to Pirates pitcher Vernon Law about tossing a "duster" at Gomez, fiery Giant pitcher. On the way to the mound, Murtaugh reportedly made some remarks to Gomez who replied with gestures and the battle ensued. Murtaugh swung at Gomez and missed and Rabon threatened him with his bat.

As players from both teams sought to join the hassle, Mays caught teammate Orlando Cepeda, rushing to aid Gomez, and pinned him down. Cepeda, a prize rookie, is having a great season and his active participation in the fray might have resulted in his suspension and hurt the Giants pennant chances.

Giles fined Gomez, Cepeda and Murtaugh \$100 each. Gomez, saying he had to defend himself, protested the fine as "unjust."

Last week, Giles sent the following telegram to Mays:

"The umpires report that your timely restraint of Orlando Cepeda prevented what might have become a very serious incident, and I commend you for your clear thinking and quick action."

Southern U. Slates 22-Game Schedule For Next Cage Year

BATON ROUGE, La. — (ANP) — A. W. Mumford, southern university director of athletics this week announced a 22-game basketball slate for the Southern University Jaguars for the 1958-59 season.

The new look on the Jaguar schedule is the appearance of Grambling college which was admitted into the Southwestern conference during the spring conference. The two Louisiana schools will meet in two games, one on the Southern university campus Jan. 5, and a single game at Grambling on Jan. 31.

TWO TOURNAMENTS

Two tournaments are included in the Jaguar schedule. First is a three-day Grambling College tournament set for Dec. 22-24 in Shreveport's Hirsch Memorial center, and a two-day Xavier Holiday meet in New Orleans, Dec. 26-27.

Local fans will get their first look at the Cats in action on Dec. 2 when they take on the



"Men who win their wives by soft soap often end up washing the dishes."

Major League Roundup

CHICAGO — (ANP) — Emerging as a 30-day slump, Ernie Banks, aging shortstop of the Chicago Cubs, moved into the spotlight as a National League's most dangerous hitter last week.

Banks, whose average had dropped to .395, grabbed the league leadership in the important home run and runs batted in departments. In a spectacular outbreak at the plate against the Philadelphia Phillies, Banks collected six straight hits at one point. Included were his 15th and 16th home runs of the season. His RBI output was raised to 47.

Collecting eight hits in two days, Banks upped his batting mark 10 hits to 323 to move into eighth place among the top NL hitters. But Banks was not alone in his hitting exploits. Spearheading the old champion Milwaukee Braves toward the top of the National League were Vic Power, Hank Aaron and Felix Minoso.

Covington, a defensive star in the 37 World Series, missed the first games of the season because of spring training knee injury. But after his return, his war club has been the loudest among the Braves. In 22 times at bat, he had collected runs home runs, including a three-day. He was hitting gaudy .337. 27 RBIs. Three of the 15 came in a game with the St. Louis Cardinals. Covington came up in the ninth inning with no mates aboard and walloped a 2-foot home run to tie the game 7-6. The Braves eventually won the 12th inning, 10-9.

One of the big worries of the Braves all season has been the failure of Hank Aaron, NL most valuable player in 1957, to hit. That story is now over.



BIG CHIEF THUNDERSTORM — Cleveland Indians' centerfielder Larry Doby gets a handshake as he poses 'commemorate' Chien Hsiang-shan after knocking a home run in the second inning of a recent game at Kansas City. Umpire is Ed Hurley. Doby's homer went over the centerfield fence and under the scoreboard, nearly 450 feet away. (Newspress Photo).

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