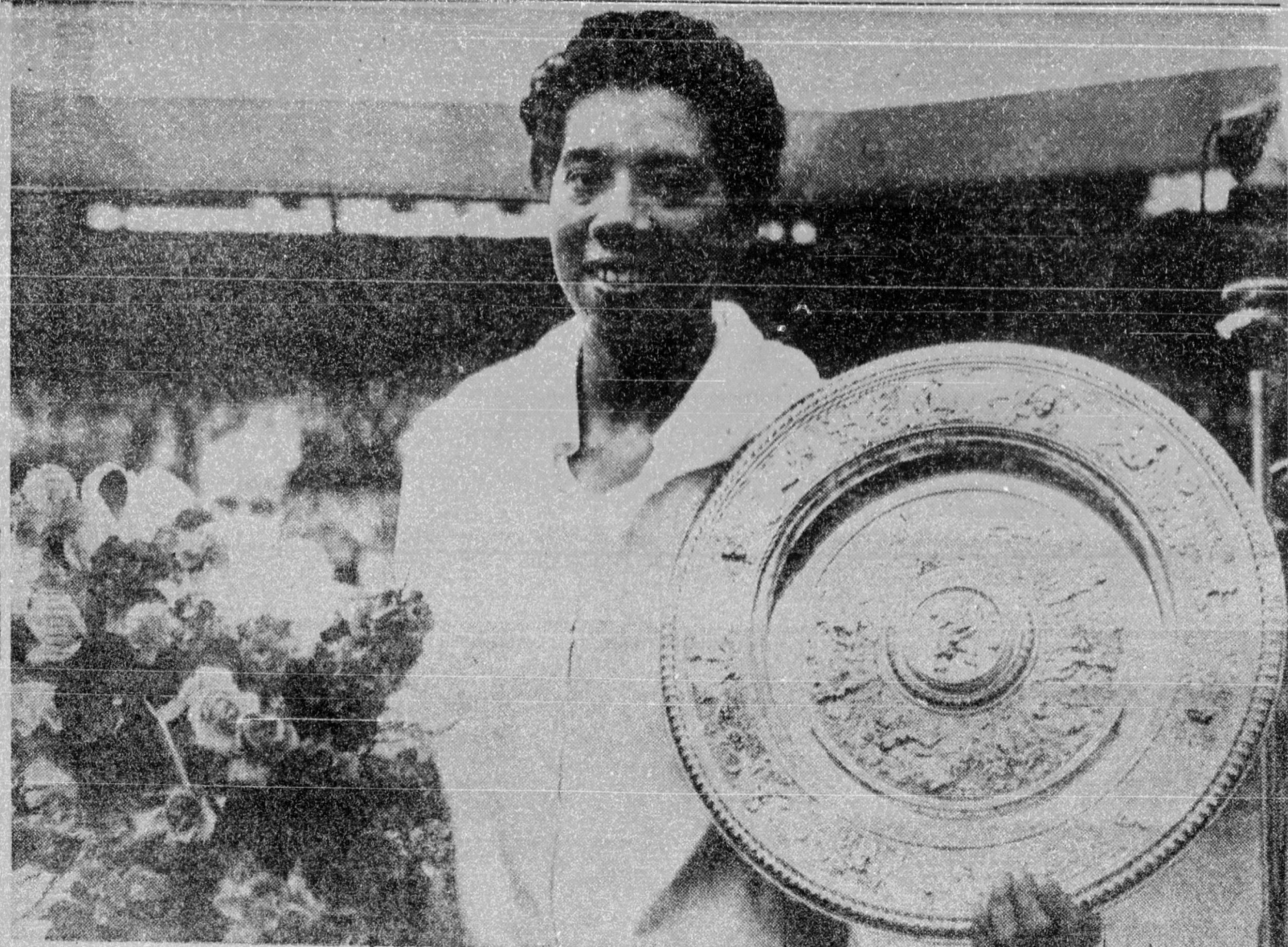


# 'Sweetwater' Clifton, Ex-Trotter, Returns To Baseball



THE GIBSON GIRL WINS AGAIN — Proudly holding the trophy which she has now won for the second year running, Miss Althea Gibson, Number 1 woman tennis star of America came up to expectations recently when she beat Angela Mortimer in the finals

of the ladies' singles, on the center court. The Duchess of Kent, president of the All-England Club, made the presentation, Miss Gibson won 8-6, 6-2.

## Batting Mark Of .347 Once Paced 2 Leagues

CHICAGO (ANP) — Nathaniel (Sweetwater) Clifton, a great basketball player who won international fame while playing with the Harlem Globetrotters, New York Knickerbockers, and Detroit Pistons, has been signed by the Detroit Clowns of the Negro American League. White Clifton has gained his fame in basketball, baseball is not an unknown sport to him. Back in 1931 he played both first base and rightfield for Dayton (Ohio) in the Central League, and Wilkes-Barre (Pa.) in the Eastern League. His batting mark of .347 paced the hitters in both leagues and prompted the Cleveland Indians, who held his contract to send him to San Diego in the Pacific Coast League. But Clifton decided in 1953 to



GAL IN A HURRY — Leading the field, Berta Diaz of Cuba takes a hurdle during the 80-meter semi-final hurdles event at the National Women's AAU Track and Field Championships, held recently at Morristown, N. J. Miss Diaz, a record holder, won the finals in 11.4 seconds. (Newspress Photo).

## First Annual Junior Tennis Tournament Played On Courts Of Chavis Park Here

The first Annual Junior Tennis Tournament was run off at the Chavis Park courts July 14 and 15, sponsored by the Raleigh Recreation Department. Carl L. Escherting who has conducted a sum-

mer-long clinic was in charge according to Howard Pullen, Supervisor of Negro Recreation here. Eighteen boys and ten girls participated. Including singles, doubles and mixed doubles, thirty-two matches were run off during the two-day event. The matches began at 9:00 a.m.

Monday and Tuesday and continued throughout each day. The participants were as follows: Boys—James Coffield, C. J. Hayes, Ronald Reid, Charles Rand, Joseph Winters, Xavier Artist, Juan Coffield, Ralph Campbell, James Samuel, Douglas Goodson, Lawrence Reid, Jimmie Penny, J. D. Lewis, Gerald Latta, Robert Allen, McArthur Penny, William White, Edward Thorpe.

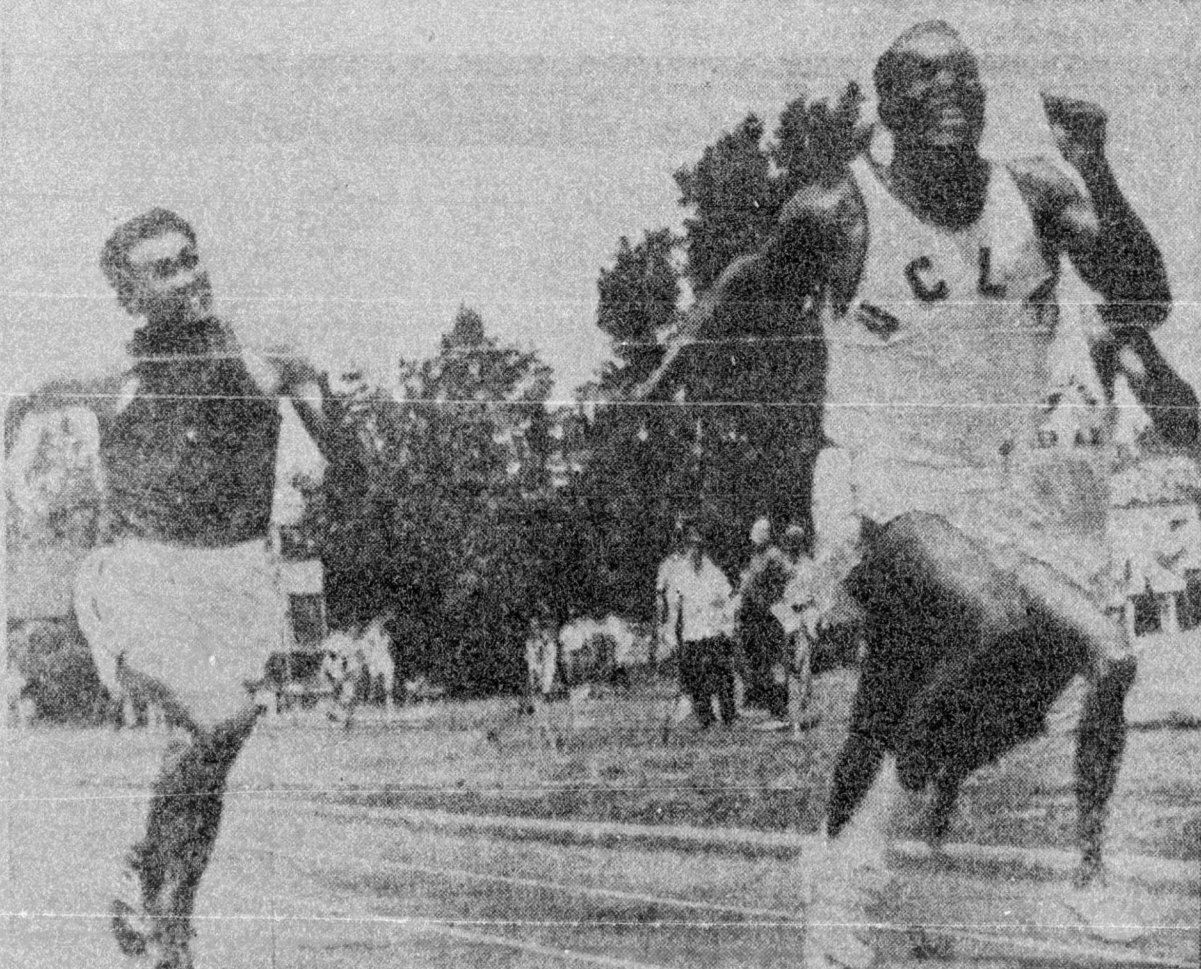
Girls—Mystre Latta, Gloria Latta, Betty Poole, Gloria Walker, Eleanora Nunn, Deloris Johnson, Anzella King, Grace Watts, Deborah Latta.

## Etta Moten In Series Of Lectures

NEW YORK (ANP) — The church of the Negro people which had its foundation laid on the bedrock of brotherhood of man and Fatherhood of God, is the African Methodist Episcopal Church. Etta Moten, recently told audiences from Jamaica, L. I., Cleveland, O., Des Moines, Ia., Chicago and Winnetka, Ill.

The daughter of an AME minister, Etta Moten is a perennial favorite among ministry and laity of the denomination. Since she has been on leave from her program on NBC, Miss Moten has accepted invitations which formerly she had to decline.

Among the churches in which she has appeared the past few weeks are St. John AME, Cleveland, Rev. George Sims, pastor; Bethel AME, Des Moines, Rev. Williams; Ft. Mary AME, Chicago, Rev. B. Mills, and St. Anne AME, Win-



JOHNSON VICTORIOUS IN DECATHLON — Not a foot touches the cinders as Rafer Johnson, UCLA sophomore, sails into the tape to win the first of ten events, the 100-meter dash, which makes up the 40th National AAU championship decathlon at Palmyra, New Jersey recently. Johnson rolled up 4,450 points in five events, to move within striking distance of a new decathlon record. Vanz Chuan-Kwang, left of Taipei, Formosa, is an airborne second with defending champion Charlie Pratt, behind Johnson, losing in third. (UPI TELEPHOTO).

## Witchcraft Pays Off In A Big City

SALISBURY, Rhode Island — (ANP) — Want to know what the least a good witch doctor makes for a week's work in this bustling city of the Federation of Rhode Island and Massachusetts? Why, not less than 50 pounds (\$140).

Working in the city streets of native quarters surrounding the city, the witch doctors peddle their incantations, poultices and talismans at prices ranging from a penny for a headache cure to 10 pounds (about \$33) for the full treatment. The latter is supposed to be a spell which will ensure long life, health, prosperity and irresistible prowess with the opposite sex.

## Ulysses Grant Greene:

# Predict Tar Heel Hurler For Clowns Will Make Majors

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. (ANP) — A 17-year-old left-handed pitcher, who can pitch either left or right-handed, has been labeled a sure bet to make the major league within a season.

He is Ulysses Grant Greene of Tobaccoville, N.C., a current sensation with the Indianapolis Clowns. The "two-way" pitcher has been moving down the opposition with comparative ease, and only last week pitched three scoreless innings, allowing no hits, and striking out four, as the Clowns defeated a group of minor league stars, 10-0.

The subterranean hurler is a popular, too. Clowns manager Sylvester Sneed reports that he's had to use Greene practically every night to satisfy the fans. "Because of this," he added, "we are forced to pull him out almost every game after three innings."

for league scouts were watching him from the stands. "What makes Greene so unusual, however, is his ability to hurl with

both hands. "These is no batter he can't pitch against at that rate," said Sneed, "and that puts him right up there on top."

## Kenny Lane Cocky; Says He'll Defeat Champion Joe Brown

MUSKOGEE, Mich. (ANP) — Results did not bear out Lane's contention, however. A slow start, Brown paced himself through the early rounds and came on to stop Wallace (Bud) Smith, Orlando Quieta, and Joey Lopez, among others. Recently, he gave Ralph Dupas, another confident pre-fight challenger, a good shelling.

## Say Patterson-Harris Fight May Set Theater TV Record

NEW YORK (ANP) — According to promoter William P. Ross, the forthcoming Floyd Patterson-Roy Harris heavyweight championship fight may set a new record for theater TV attendance.

## GOSSIP OF THE MOVIE LOTS

HOLLYWOOD — (ANP) — "THE PORGY AND BESS FIRE," is all you can hear discussed among fans and whites from Hollywood and Vine by way of Beverly Hills, Adams and Western, by way of Vernon and Central. A terrific blow to the scores of extras who have been waiting to work in the many crowded scenes as atmosphere, in support to the finest singers and actors of the nation who were to start on July 1. But at 4:00 o'clock that morning, fire of unknown origin broke out on stage "B," largest in the world, and it burned to a cinder.

READY TO WORK WERE DOROTHY DANDRIDGE as "Bess," and Sidney Poitier as "Porgy." The beautiful, shapely, unassuming Dot had just finished a sea-going adventure at MGM, labelled at first "Infamy At Sea," then "Terror at Sea," and now permanently "The Decks Ran Red."

Ready also was Leigh Whipper, an old friend with whom I was with last week, "cutting up old touches" at the morning preview of "Tarzan Fights for His Life," at the Academy Award theatre. Leigh was to play the bearded "Crab Man," who sells his wares to the Catfish Row folk. Incidentally Earl Dancer, former husband of Ethel Waters, had been growing a beard, too—and telling folks all winter that he was to play that role.

CLARENCE MUSE, who played convincing "Porgy" in the strictly dialogue play, starred by movie star Allan Murray at the Music Box theatre, later the Lux, was also ready. He had driven in from his dude ranch "Miss A. White" near Lake Minnow, to play Dr. Myers. Then there was Sammy Davis Jr. in the role of "Sportin' Life," golden-voiced Inez Matthews, and other stars besides about a 100 trained choir singers who have been rehearsing and recording all Spring.

WOULD A NEGRO HAVE SUT THAT STAGE AFIRE? as the local dailies speedily hinted. Twenty-five years ago I'd have blurted out, "Heck no." Negroes don't do things for spite like that, or because they

sever his allegiance to baseball, joining Abe Saperstein's Harlem Globetrotters, who were preparing for one of their many trips around the world. Reese (Goose) Tatum of the Detroit Clowns, was also a member of the Globetrotters at that time.

Now 31 years of age, Clifton, who started his sport athletic career at Wendell Phillips high school in Chicago, declares his age will not be a handicap to him. He also played baseball and basketball at Xavier university in New Orleans.

One of Clifton's managers during his stay in the minors was Bill Norman, currently piloting the Detroit Tigers after he had been brought up from the Charleston (Va.) club to replace Jack Tiebe.

thought the South Carolina dialect folk-lore piece was a reflection on the race.

But the present day? Well from the alleys and water-fronts of many places throughout the country, there are daily drifting in evil desperadoes, criminals, and might do anything for pay, provided whites hired them. But at any rate what's done is done, and although you have already read this here is what militant Atty. Loren Miller had to say:

"It is absolutely ridiculous to imply that the flare at the Goldwyn studio was set by a member of any minority group as a protest against the filming of Porgy and Bess. As a matter of fact I know that the officers and members of the NAACP and other similar organizations are looking forward to the production because we know in advance that it will be a fine picture, done in the very best of taste. We resent any implication to the contrary."

A COCKTAIL BREAK NOW, newshound identification, then on with the show. This is your sleepless Tattler, Harry Levette, at 4266 S. Central Ave.

NOW FOR PREVIEWS AND PREMIERS OF THE WEEK and a NEWS-MEAL Menu of things to come.

M. G. M.'S "GI-GI" MAN OH, MAN! What a premiere with Paramount Hollywood theatre at Hollywood Boulevard and Le Brea, a blaze of sky-piercing light. Streets roped off for blocks, bleachers built over the sidewalks where staring movie fans (seated four hours ahead of time) cheered the stars and other movie luminaries as they arrive. Gorgeous gowns, flashing jewelry! Whom did I escort? Wait till next issue. Haven't time to describe her now. Stars there included Leslie Caron, who became famous in "Carousel," Maurice Chevalier, France's amusing man for years; Louis Jourdan, Hermine Gingold, Eva Gayer, Jacques Bergerac, and Isabel Jeans. The film, a riot of dancing, singing and beautiful bodies, was produced and directed by Arthur Freed, and Vincent Minnelli, who made "Cabin in the Sky."

## 26th Annual East-West Game To Be Played In Comiskey Park

CHICAGO (ANP) — The 26th annual East-West game sponsored by teams in the Negro American League, will be played at Comiskey Park here Sunday afternoon, Aug. 24, according to an announcement made by Dr. J. B. Martin, president of the league.

Martin also said that the game this year will be dedicated to the players on the two original teams, many of whom have since died, and to those players who have become members of teams in the major leagues.

GIBSON, FAIRGAMONG EARLY STARS. Some of the players on those first two teams to play in the annual diamond classic were: the late Josh Gibson, Jug Wilson, LeRoy (Satchel) Paige, Norman (Turkey) Stearnes, Newt Allen, Frank Duncan, Leary Brown, and Willie Wells.

ALUMNI IN MAJORS. Students of the East-West game who have obtained major league status are Minnie Mirowski and LARRY DOBY of the Cleveland Indians; Jim Gilliam, Los Angeles Dodgers; Ernie Banks, Chicago Cubs; Bob Boyd and Connie Johnson, Baltimore Orioles; Willie Mays, and receipt.

Rosenbloom said the Teleprompter Corporation has television rights to the fight, promising to guarantee \$210,000 to the promotion.

He said Teleprompter further guaranteed 50,000 seats available at locations throughout the United States and Canada. This, he said, would set a new record for theater TV attendance and receipts. The record of 364,876 closed-circuit spectators was set by Teleprompter with the Ray Robinson-Carmen Basilio middle weight II fight at Chicago last March.

## Baseball Standings

Editor's Note: Following are the current standings among the leagues in the City of Raleigh's baseball program:

FIRST HALF STANDINGS			
Senior Softball League	Won	Lost	Per.
Hall's Grill	3	1	.750
Bon Bon	2	1	.666
Peebles	1	2	.333
Kenney's Lunch	1	2	.333
Lassister's	0	3	.000
Washington Terrace	0	3	.000
C. E. HILLYARD LEAGUE (All Leagues)			
Hall's Grill	3	1	.750
Kabala Temple	2	1	.666
All Stars	1	2	.333
Tuttle Center	0	4	.000
PONY LEAGUE (James Baker)			
All Stars	6	1	.857
Rochester Heights	5	1	.833
Community Florist	2	3	.400
Green Cleaners	2	4	.333
Fourth Ward	0	5	.000

## DRIVE SAFELY!! - SAVE A LIFE



EAST GOES WEST — This handsome couple, looking like an illustration from the "Arabian Nights", are members of the Ceylon National Dancers, rehearsing the colorful Mask Dance. The company is presently in Paris for a season of ceremonial, traditional and classical dances. (Newspress Photo).

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