

THIS TIME IT'S REALLY TRUE. Spring is here and a, is soft. ball. These Durham boys and girls have been really tanikg their softball seriously during the past ftw' days in spite of the frequent April showers that cause them to cut their softwall practice sess ions short. It's the same story this spring, all of the vacant lots are fall of member of this and that team (in the making) and neighboring window glasses are really in danger.

One evidence of how seriously Durhamites are thing their's ft ball this season has been the timely and wise organization of a softball league among the race teams in the city. Ten leading softball teams were represented at that first meeting THAT THE GROUP had at the city hall last Tuesday night and they are extremely anxious that the high type of team spirit and sportsmanship exist among the various teams throughout the season. If managed correctly (and t

will be) this league is going a Five fellows taking part in the higher plane. The games will no tourney bore the family name longer be robbed of their color Johnson and not one of them by low type arguments and "dis- were related in any way. There cussions" that broke up a game was Albert Johnson of Hillside or two last season. Games will (Durham) Johnson of Calmden. not be broken up because some S. C.; Johnson from Atlanta, member of an "enemy" team Ga.; Johnson of Gary, W. Va., fails to return fouled balls. Sev- and Johnson from Charleston, ersa other falacies of last years W. V. The name Williams came games are going to be eliminat- next in the running with three. ed this season because at Tues- They came from Durham, Camday's meeting the fellows decid- den, and Gary, W. Va. OTHER GAME

IN PAIRS

Hillside and Smithfield.

Fayetteville, and Tuckers from

ed to have # high and mighty Commissioner of softball whose There were two Browns from decisions in disputes will be Gary, Ind.; two Todds from final and who, if necessary will suspend any player or team that Smithfield; a Jones from Colmgoes against the rules and den and another from Charleston, W. Va., two Elliott from ethics of the softball league.

HILLSIDE PARK TO BE LIGHTED

IF THE CITY COUNCIL gives the recreation department lights for the Hillside Park, the lights are going to be beneficial in Not more than one respect. only will lights at the park allow the playing of two or three more softball games after seven o'clock but they will also keep a few more of the city's boys and girls out of some of the "miscolef" that some of them got into last summer.

Here's hoping that the petitions that almost everyone in town have signed will bring results in the form of lights.

NAMES MAKES NEWS AMONG OTHER THINGS, the the national high school basketrunner. bali tournament at Fayetteville a fortnight sigo served to show

Hornets End Spring Practice Softball League, Organized **Representatives** Attention ournament **Of City Softball** Drawn To Ends Cage **Leagues Gather** Sotthal

LOUIS MAY RETIRE AFTER THREE FIGH

BY WILLIAM "SMILING" TUCK DURHAM - The representatives of ten softball teams of the

BY ED GLEED JACKSON, N. C. -The baskethall sealson of the . H. igh,

SPORTING WO

Schools and elementary schools of Northampton County w a brought to a dramatic close here victory of Rich Square High School over Seaboard High. This victory by William S. Creecy High is even more than sensational because for over a quarter of the game Creecy High wes forced to play, with only

25 to 15 win. The unquestionably superior

Girls High School team from Garysburg more than doubled the score in their final game with the girls from Seabourd High, the final score being 37-Are: George I. Woody, Earl Lam-

..... In the elementary division, and J. T. Tucker. the girls team from Conway ended on top by defeating the Jack-

son girls 26-16. In the final game between the boys of the elementary division we saw a wonderful exhibition of ball handling.

went on to win by the close

TEAMS COMPETE

There were twenty eight teams competing in this year's tournament. This is quite a bit differ- Kensas City Monarchs, erce from the first tournament Champions of the Negro Ameri-

The tournaments are sponsored 1940 season. The Club will use training field. Manager Andy

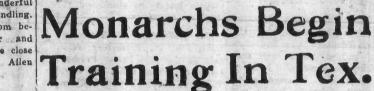
the formation and organization of a citywide softball league. main purpose of this organization will be to create more uniformity in the matter of selection and use of players for the individual teams and for more reon lefst Saturday with the upset gularity in th emaking of sche- coftball team representing Hilldules. Officers of the league side Park high school into the were elected at this initial meet-

> were recorded as members. as president and assisting him and that the team might dis-

> director of public information. committee of which the presid- sirt to Join. nt is automatically a member It was left with the executive

> committee to decide what accessbeth, Theodore "Ted" Stroud, ments would go with the lesgue. The publicity manager and Aside from the election of

> general secretary will record recussion was the admission of a



Special to the TIMES to games he pitched against the best clubs in the tournament. It MARSHALL, Texas - The 1940 is expected that Bryant will be

season.

with only four teams competing. this week to prepare for the the other youngsters were mem- lor;

DURHAM - The Athletic de city guthered in the city hall on the night of Tuesday, April 9, for partment of Hillside Park High The school has turned its attention scitball now that basketball and spring football are things of the

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past. Coach H. Riddick has responded to the requests of many student softbal enthusiasts and league. The chief point of con- hus consented to lead in the ing and the teams represented tention was that the players organization of a team. Possibly that might join the Hillside team there will be several teams and Donald Love was unanmously would deprive other teams of intra-mural games will feature elected to head the organization the services of main players, recess hours as well as some of the vacant afternoon hours. If Hillside team is definitely this obstacle, this hard fighting president. Milton Johnson is son. However, the group finally made a member of the citywide little team came through with a secretary of the organization decided to admit the Hillside scruball league their games will be played against other member. Chatles Joyner was elected H. Riddick would guarantee the of the league, naturally, but there will be mainly intra-murals

the summer. It will be left with if the team is not admitted.

ENTERTAIN-

OHARLOTTE - The Lovely Eight Social club entertained at a Dinner party at the home of Mrs. Lucille Torrence on South McDowell St. Thursday evening. A variety of early spring flowers were arranged throughout

the home. Games were enjoyed or the winner of the Tony man boss. during the evening, after which Galento-Maxie Baer bout slated a delicious two course chicken for Jersey City on May 28. This

dinner with all accessories were battle will take place in New served. Members present were: York or Detroit in September. Mesdames Mary Stitt, president, (3) AYankee stadium battle in June, 1941, against Billy Conn, Please turn to page seven current light-headyy champ and

have succeed Louis.

them. Each of them is a big

Altho Louis left for Detroit

this week he will return to New

TEN TEAMS REPRESETED

the informant: "Louis has a The teams that had representa dude ranch business and h is heard from before the season tives at Tuesday's meeting were money well invested. Owning gets along the way. Several f Royal Athletic Club, W. S. Tay- close to a million he doesn't Walltown, Donald Love; think kindly of getting hit much bers of the Satchel Paige's All Barq's Yenkees, J. T. Tucker; more and is aching to forget all the Wiley College Park for their Stars under the management Elites, Charles Joyner; Albright about the ring. Three fights are of Newt Joseph, former star Yankees, W. Hayes; Three C's, what he wants and he will get

Impersonating the Nationally famed quartet, Sc- their style. ording to a letter from Moe congsters the copyists are alleg-Gale, Inc., are suing a populat ed to have worked the entire Southern four for grabbing a state of Florida.-Ted Yates date from them, and "aping"

Champ May Face Godoy Again In June

NEW YORK (ANP) - Joe Louis, heavyweight champion who completely annihilated Johnny Paycheck in less than two rounds in Madison Square Gorden a week Ago Friday night, will have only thret more fights and then retire from the ring - as undefeated champ. This was revealed by a source close to Promoter Mike Jacobs this week.

The thrte-fight program, the source stated, did not include another Garden fight because of the poor gale at the Paycheck bout. This is the probable line-up of the three pre-retirement bouts:

Yankee stadium the latter past S. Krellberg. Louis is to portray of June. (2) Either Bob Pastor the role of J. Edgar Hoover, G-

the man Jacobs would like to Bromoter Jacobs said to the

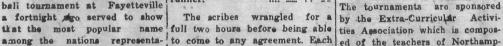
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NEW YORK (ANP) - The Jackson's cagers came from be-Trace Writer's association, com- hind in the third quarter and posed of metropolitan scribes, in solemn conclave this week score of 29-26 from Allen voted Greg Rice, tiny South Chapel Blue Devils. Ben occountant and Notre Dame TWENTY-EIGHT

grad, the outstanding athlete of the grack and field season, this

week. He received 47 points on seven first choices and four second choices as algainst 27 points versity's great middle distance which was held ten years ago can Baseball Ladgue arrived here ----



four men on the floor. Despite will be Parham Donnell as vice- band before the end of the seawith W. S. Taylor as assistant; term on the condition that Coach treasurer and Lathrop Alston, continuance of the team through Members of the executive the players which team they de-

tive is the name of JOHNSON. Please turn to page seven

Langford And Johnson Lauded **By Writer**

BY MABE KOUNTZE BOSTON, (A N P) -"Among the great warriors of the Queensberry, arena whose names are inscribed on the scroll of pugilistic fame, that of Sam Langford, the battle scarred colored hero many hard-fought battles, shines with dealess lustre."

There you have the lead-off chapter tribute as written in of the dealiest hitters that "Black Dynamite," the amazing ever shocked an opponent into ord authentic series of Negro beying history compiled by none other than Nat Fleischer, editor of Ring Magazine. Each book is attractively illustrated and excit

Exciting enough is Langford's ring record of over 250 battles. And this fighter who "wasn't even a middleweigh, stccording to modern standards" fought anybody, big or small. He even fought jack Johnson!

Pull up a chair and raed that Not Pleischer writes about this as he quotes the N. Y. Police Gasette in his book. Okay Well: "With a spineness and capacity for punishment that seemed beyond the powers seemed beyond the powers of a human being, S a m Langford, the colored fight-ar, weighing 166 pounds, tied 15 reams at the Lin-celn A. C., of Chelses, Man, on April 26, with Jack Johnson, who outweigh-ed Sam by about 30 pounds. Johnson assied 185 pounds. Johnson gave Langford a terrible beating and w a a

awarded the decision." But the story which you'll find in "Black Dynamite" shows that Langford who was bor in Wey-1826. -----

"As a middleweight, not even the renowned Stanley Ketchel, Plose turn to page three Please turn to page seven

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third sacker of the Monarchs. Samuel Nance; Olympic Juniors, ton County. This association has has been in charge of the club as its President, R. M. Filly for the past three seasons, feels Plincipal at Garysburg. Mr. Earl confident that the Monarchs will be in the thick of the fight is a graduate of Shaw Univer- will be in the thick of the light sity. J. N. Gill, Vice president of for the 1940 pennant. It has the Association is the principal always been the policy of the

the Association is the principal always been the policy of the of Coates High School of Sea- Monarch management to give board. J. M. Lawrence, Principal young players a chance, and of Jackson Elementary school this, season more than 15 young

rookies reported to My ager was the manager of the tourna-Other members of the Cooper on his arrival at ment. association are J. H. Bullock, D. Texas Camp for a trial with the who has been made several . Bell, G. N. Reid, H. McManus, 1940 champions. One of the most promising Mexico, turned all offers down Hollis Creecy, Mrs. C E Clark. The men named above also rookie pitchers, is Lefty Bryant, and is now in camp. Smith playwho hails from Kansas City, ed winter baseball in Cubs this

officiated during the tournament. North Inpton County has a record for the past two seasons, son form. Several exhibition Johnson could not knock out right to be proud of its Associa- pitching for the All Nations games have been scheduled betion for its is very versatile in Baseb all Club and several other fore the opens the regular seamo'uth, Nova Scotia, March 4, its activities. It sponsors all semi-pro clubs. He also particip- son at Birmingham, May 12. sports activities as well as drama tice, debating, Glee Clubs, Oratorical Contests, and Field Dalys.

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Joseph, who expects to join Chester Webb; Businessmen, money shot and will bring him a Manager Cooper in a few days John Long for Lathrop Alston; small fortune." to help condition the club, feels Buccameers, John Long for Au-

. The next meeting of the lea- York on May 1 when he is scheit hard for the regulars this gue will be held in about two duled to start work on a picture weeks at the city hall after the 'called "The Sign of the Zombie" executive committee has had in a Bronx Studio under the Hilton Smith, the Monarch's time to meet. direction of Producer Sherman

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