

SPORTSBEAT

By L. T. WALKER



INTEGRATION IN SPORTS

Several recent sports items seem to indicate that integration in sports is on the upgrade. Recent releases carried these items:

I—Collegiate Athletic Association took the N. C. A. A. swimming championships from the University of Georgia because of its policy on segregation. Because five of the NCAA teams which were to compete in the meet on March 26-28 had Negro athletes the committee thought it advisable to award the championships to Ohio State, Tennessee State, and Central State (Wilberforce) entered swimmers. In the future the championships will be awarded to schools which will permit all entries to participate. Looks like Talmadge lost another battle.

II—The downtown Kansas City hotels opened their doors to the Negro coaches attending the convention of the National Basketball Coaches Association. The Negro coaches of the association had refused to attend the convention in Dallas, Texas because they were denied full privileges, including equal accommodations.

It seems like a step in the wrong direction when only one of the sixteen coaches attending the Kansas City convention accepted accommodations in a downtown hotel. I hope this does not mean that we prefer second class accommodations. May be the reason was based upon finance? Usually, however, the rates in "our" hotels are equal to some of those in the other hotels.

III—Savannah, (Ga) broke the Sally League color line for the first time since the circuit was organized in 1904 by adding two Negro players, second baseman Al Isreal and outfielder Juunior Reedy. (Talmadge's face is red again). The Jacksonville Tars of the Sally League also added three Negroes to the roster, shortstop Felix Mantello, outfielder Horace Garner and second baseman Henry Aaron.

IV—Minor League President George M. Trautman advised the Cotton States League President that Hot Springs, Arkansas could not be dropped from the League for adding two Negro pitchers, the Leander brothers. Trautman is studying the case and will render a decision later. In the meantime the Leanders are pitching in the Cotton States League (including Mississippi).

V—Art Statum of A. and T. College won the NACC heavyweight boxing championship at Pocatello, Idaho. Dan Quarles, a 178 pounder, and Roland Walton, a 125 pounder, helped Statum to a fourth place tie for A. and T. (10 points) with Michigan State and San Jose. Idaho won with 25 points, Wisconsin was second with 19 and Louisiana State third with 16.

These isolated items did not just happen. It has been a long uphill battle. I am sure that the works of Mack M. Green, Executive Secretary, and the National Athletic Steering Committee for Integration of Negroes in Athletics have been instrumental in bringing about many of the improved conditions.

BASEBALL QUICKIE QUIZ

Questions

1. What is the difference between a passed ball and a wild pitch?
2. What is an earned run?

Answers

1. A passed ball is charged to the catcher and a wild pitch to the pitcher. Neither fall under the general category of an error.

When a legally pitched ball is so high, wide, or low that the catcher does not stop and control by ordinary effort and as a result a runner or runners advance it is a wild pitch. It is just another ball if there is no advance by base runners.

When the runner or runners advance because of the catcher's failure to hold or control a ball that he should, then it is a passed ball.

2. An earned run is a run for which the pitcher is held accountable. It shall be scored everytime a runner reaches home base by the aid of a safe hit, sacrifice, stolen base, put outs, base on balls, hit batter, balk or wild pitch, before fielding chances have been offered to retire the side. When runs are scored after fielding chances to retire the side (on errors committed) they shall be considered unearned.

Of course an unearned run only helps the pitcher's average. Every run that crosses the plate goes into the scoring.

A & T-Howard Game Rained Out

GREENSBORO

The annual Easter Monday Baseball Classic, featuring Howard University and A. and T. College, scheduled for last Monday at Memorial Stadium, was washed out.

The game began in a slight drizzle, came to a halt in the bottom half of the second inning when a sudden downpour sent players and fans scurrying for shelter. George Rouse, Aggie centerfielder, had just doubled to right center for the first hit of the game and was advanced to third on a sacrifice by Willie Bryant when hostilities ceased.

New Films At Local Library

An unusual selection of films are available for loan to interested groups and clubs at the Stanford L. Warren Library this office of the librarian, Mrs. R. N. Moore.

month, according to an announcement this week from the library. This month's selection includes a package of ten films on Political Education. In addition to this feature, the regular Adult Film Project at the library lists seven other miscellaneous titles available for loan.

The films may be secured by calling at the library or by telephoning 4-4764.

Lucky Strikes . . . by JOE BLACK



Well, here we go again! Another baseball season has started and I sure hope it ends the same way it did last year—the Dodgers as National League Champs. It looks like a four-team pennant race among the Giants, Cardinals, Phillies and of course the Dodgers.

We had a good spring training, and "Doc" Wender, our trainer, claims this is the best conditioned Dodger team in years. Even Roy Campanella looks streamlined. Our favorite joke used to be, "If you want to get in shape fast, just take three laps around Campanella!" We can't kid him this year. He's hitting the ball with power, and behind the plate he's as smooth as a puff on Lucky Strike. And

NCC Harriers Win 5 First Places

JOE LOUIS PUT BOXING ON ITS FEET, IS GREAT GUY, EPIC FIGHTER - PAGEANT

Joe Louis won more for his people than he ever won for himself, says a penetrating article in the May issue of Pageant Magazine. "The shining story of his climb to fame and fortune is not only a great American story," says Pageant, "it's an important one."

Twenty years ago, boxing hit an all-time low. Then Joe Louis, the young man with uranium in his fists, came up from Alabama. Joe was a guy who meant business. A clean, honest guy with a punch and a killer instinct and a hard-burning passion for the ring.

From the beginning, says Pageant, Joe r'ard back and put boxing on its feet. More than that, he made it possible for Negro boxers to enjoy the same rights as white. For all Negroes, in every profession, to hasten the lowering of the color line by at least 10 years.

In '34, when the chips were down on boxing, Joe had already won 12 fights in the Midwest, states Pageant. His mentors, three influential Negroes, tried to book him at Madison Square Garden. The Garden refused—no Negroes allowed. In stepped Mike Jacobs, an independent promoter. "I'll promote him in the East," said Mike, "on one condition—that he win every fight as fast as possible."

Jacob's know-how, contacts and savvy got Joe a New York fight with celebrated mastadon



JOE LOUIS
"... a legend..."

Primo Carnera. The referee stopped it in the sixth round. Carnera, 65 pounds heavier was a bloody, helpless wreck. The audience, predominantly white,

took Joe to its heart—and the color line in boxing was utterly destroyed once and for all. From then on, Pageant points out, Joe's climb to the top was meteoric.

He came one cropper—when Nazi Max Schmeling knocked him out. In '38, after beating champion Jim Braddock, the Bomber fought Schmeling again, and in an all time classic of the ring, knocked Schmeling out in the first round and sent him back to Germany with a cracked vertebra.

After that, barring his stint in the army, it was clear sailing for Joe until '47, when the aging King of the Ring fought Jersey Joe Walcott and won—but in a 15-round close decision victory. A year later, he fought Walcott again, knocked him out and announced his retirement. But in '50, the Bomber came back to fight Ezzard Charles, and, overweight and slowed-up, he took a terrible beating.

The last chapter came in '52. Bruiser Rocky Marciano knocked the Old Warrior through the ropes in the eighth. Joe hung up the gloves—this time forever. "But what did it all mean, Joe?" asks Sidney Carroll in Pageant. "Was it worth it?"

The answer has been summed up by Bob Considine, with brilliant simplicity. "Joe, You've given boxing more than it probably deserves."

Can Joe Black Escape Second Year Jinx?

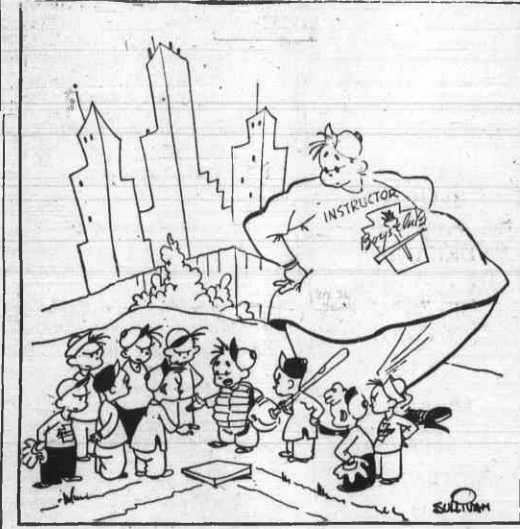
NEW YORK

Nothing seems to be going right for Joe Black these days. Just this weekend in the first game with the Yankees, Joe was sent in as a pinch runner. The fleet of foot athlete got cut down trying to stretch a double into a triple. Then when Duke Snider hit his two run homer, the game could have been all tied up had not Joe gotten erased from the base. So the Dodgers lost by a score 5-4.

Black has not been getting his lumps only as a pinch runner. It's his pitching for which he's famous and which has been sadly amiss all spring. Dressen and all Dodger brass keep telling you not to worry but still Joe's getting hit and hit solidly.

"All Black needs is more work and I haven't been able to give it to him," explains Charlie. "He'll be all right. There's nothing wrong with his arm. We'll give him plenty of batting practice work and he'll be just as tough as he was last year when the games count."

But so far Joe has allowed 13 runs and 27 hits in just 25 innings. This is not only a far cry from last year's form but it's got everyone bringing up the sophomore records of Jim Konstanty and Joe Page, the brilliant relievers who did so miserably their second year. Black himself isn't too worried. After all, he says, he's a last starter and was so last year. Just wait until the season's on its way and everything will be okay.



"LOOK, FELLERS—I KNOW HE'S A LOUSY UMPIRE—BUT YA GOTTA ADMIT HE MAKES A SWELL BACKSTOP!"

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DIAL?



IF YOU WANT TO DIAL THE DIGIT 3 PUT YOUR FINGER IN THE HOLE UNDER THE FIGURE "3" . . .

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REMEMBER . . .

- LISTEN FOR THE DIAL TONE
- PULL DIAL TO FINGER STOP
- DO NOT FORCE OR RETARD DIAL

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Shaw Outlasts NCC, 15-14 In Loose, Slugging Contest

RALEIGH

Shaw shortstop, slammed 2 out of 3. The NCC-Shaw affair, which was part of Shaw's All-High School Day program, was NCC's first conference loss. Earlier, the Eagles defeated Howard University and Winston-Salem in conference wins.

Cunningham of Shaw was the winning pitcher. Bill Low, NCC frosh star of Richmond, Va., was credited with the loss. James Squire, right field, and Donald Henderson, 1st baseman, each scored two hits out of five times at bat to lead the Eagles. Sam Jones, Shaw first baseman, hit three out of four and Jowers,

Ben Whaley's North Carolina College base ball team sustained its first loss of the season here Saturday when Jim Lytle's Shaw Bears scored a 15-14 win over the Eagles at Chavis Park. Shaw scored three runs in the second inning, two each in the fifth and sixth, piled up seven runs in the eighth and one in the ninth. The Eagles' big innings were the 5th and 6th when they piled up 5 runs each. The NCC nine scored 2 runs in the 1st and 3rd, and their last tally in the 7th inning.

Tan Hurler In With NY Giants

HAVANA, CUBA

In this city of 33 radio stations and a million inhabitants who are torrid baseball fans, you would naturally find strong partisanship among the major league teams. Though the Cubans hear most all games from the states, their favorites are the Giants and the Dodgers.

McCullough Sets New Standard In Twin-City Meet

WINSTON-SALEM

North Carolina College's track team won five events in the Winston-Salem Relays on last Saturday.

The Eagle harriers copped first place honors in the medley relay, the one mile run, the 440 yard run, the high jump, and the javelin.

Jim Courtney, who scored 12 points for the individual scoring record in the meet, was one of the NCC medley relay team that also included Jim Mullins, Bob Baskerville, and Andy Graham. The medley time was 3:36.3. A. and T. and Winston-Salem Teachers College ran behind the Eagles.

Graham won the one mile run in 4:37.1. Thompson of Winston-Salem, and Wilson of A. and T. trailed the fleet Graham.

Courtney's winning time in the 440 was 51.4. He ran ahead of Boyers of A. and T. and Emory of Winston-Salem.

Charley McCullough, Charlotte sophomore who was a basketball standout, broke the meet's only record in the high jump. He cleared at 6 ft. 5 and one eighth inches. Lyon of A. and T. followed with 5'11" and Hamilton of A. and T. placed third with 5' 10".

Tossing the javelin for 179 feet, Courtney, the NCC ace, wound up a nearly perfect day. He was on the winning medley team and copped second place in the 880. relay.

Other NCC thinclads placing in events were Glover Hill who came fourth in the 220 yard dash, Graham, second place in the two mile run, and Courtney, Baskerville, Hill, and Mullins in the 880 yard relay.

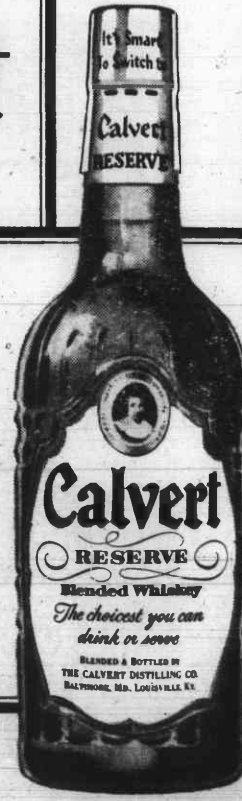
'Junior' Gilliam Quietest 'Bum'

BROOKLYN

Jim "Junior" Gilliam, whose contract was bought from Montreal this week by the Brooklyn Dodgers, has already earned the distinction of being the quietest Dodger. Junior just doesn't open his mouth to say anything at anytime, fellow players will tell you. A very solemn youth, Junior spends most of his time listening, that is listening to baseball talk.

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