## Talented Trio Thrilling Throng

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Sports Video

THE DECLINE OF FAST

PITCH SOFTBALL

Sports fans in the Durham area are now witnessing the downfall of the favorite summer sports of the decades. I of the team's participation in am speaking of the recent drop city fast-pitch 'softball league.

At one time fast-pitch softball was the talk of the town in this area. Now it is hard to maintain enough teams to run a decent league. For example, this season, 1965, the Charles E. Harris Fast Pitch League started with 10 teams. As of now, there are only five clubs operating in the circuit.

What is the reason for the drastic downfall of the sport? Can it be lack of interest of the players or the domination play by a few teams?

Softball is still and will be one of the favorite amusements in this area. Since the slow interest in fast-pitch softball fans have become encouraged to cast their eyes on the slowpitch and the women's leagues.

MOVE TO WALLTOWN

The giant step toward the destruction of the fast-pitch league started three years ago STARS RELAX—On the set of the Eggard and Terence Stamp won top titles at Cannes, "The Collector", William Wyler (right), and visiting star Sidney France, star in "The Collector", when Edward Boyd, athletic director for the city of Durham announced that the fast pitch league would operate at the Walltown Park, instead of Hillside Park. At this time, teams and players that had been in the league since it organized began to complain. The Department appropriated mon-biggest complaint of all the cry babies was that the field in then this is the appreciation Walltown was too short. Accord- we give them. Now there are ing to rules of the game, the three lighted parks with the distance from home plate to latest being Lyon Park which the fence in left field is to be 200 feet or greater. By measure | Monday night. | ments, the fence in Walltown | The Bill J is approximately 215 feet. So after Boyd established

the leagues in Walltown and the teams found out that he was not going to change his decision just to satisfy a few, a faithful few held on. Some of the players who played in the fast-pitch league for years decided to join the slow-pitch loop while others made the unwise decision to quit playing the fast-pitch league were unable to join the slow-pitch league because of the age rule. The qualifying age for the slow pitch circuit is 28.

MORE LIGHTED FIELDS NEEDED, BUT WHAT?

At one time, Hillside was the only lighted athletic field in the city for Negroes. The cry by softball players was the need for more lights. But after the City of Durham Recreation had its official dedication last The Bill Jones Slow-Pitch

League plays at Hillside on Continued on page 6B

BOOKED AT FAMED "COPA" cuit of New York, Las Vegas formers the Supremes have

—The talented trio, The Su-premes have been booked into appearance at this club is usual-on theatre dates, one-nighters New York's famed Copacabana ly considered the "turning- and record hops. The story of Club. The charming three con- point" in an entertainer's ca- the rise of the nation's most sisting of Florence Ballard, Di- reer. Once into this circuit he, sought after girl vocal group is ana Ross and Mary Wilson may or she or they are usually lost a modern-day Cinderella tale. disappear from the popular mu- to the average fan.

City Softball Standings

sic scene into the exclusive cir- Like most rock-and-roll per-



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## sports in brief DEFEND TITLE NEW YORK-Emile Griffth's manager says the world welter-

puses.

Or Money? weight champion may meet Su-CLEVELAND-The trial of gar Clift of the Bahamas in an clamp on raiding college cam-Cleveland's star fullback Jim outdoor fight in Kansas City Brown continues here this week late this month. after Brenda Ayres, the 18-year old girl who accused Brown of FOUR IN ONE-SEASON assault and batter has testified NEW YORK-Grover Cleve last week that Brown is guilty

tor, relaxes with stars Saman- Miss Eggar and Stamp, who

Jim Brown

Trial -- Sex

of the charges brought against

The testimony in the trial

to have sexual relations with

Miss Avers did say that she

had been intimate with Brown

on various occasions since she

was introduced to him by her

All

during the off season.

(left) much honored film direc- Poitier, between filming takes. directed by Wyler.

during the 1915 season. seem to have turned from sex to money. Miss Avres disclosed CLARKE BLASTS WORLD last week in the trial that 10,000 METER RECORD Brown threaten her if she didn't OSLO, Norway-Ron Clark of accompany him to an East Side Australia shattered the 28-min-ute barrier for the 10,000 meter motel room on the night of June 19. In the room, the 108-

pound teen-ager said Brown slapped her on the face, hip, run in a fantastic race against the clock. The Aussie "Desert Train" and stomach and forced her to lowered his own world mark set in Finland last month by commit an unnatural sex act. She stated that the All-Pro. 29-34.6 seconds to 27:39.4. year-old star, twice forced her

land Alexander, the great right

hander of the Philadelphia

Phillies tossed four one-hitters

The Carolina Times

NEW YORK-Rogers Horns by and Ted Williams are the only two players ever to win baseball's triple crown of bat 16-year-old girl friend, Paula ting more than once.

SENATE CLAMPS DOWN Brown, married and the fath-

er of three children, reported ON PRO CAMPUS RAIDS has an income of \$50,000 as a Judiciary Committee last week Judiciary Committee last week nue from endorsements. He voted to bar professional sports works in the public relation office of a soft drink company letes even if they drop out of

Miss Ayers denied the fact Miss Ayers denied the fact Brown offered her \$1,000 to \$60 to visit a sick uncle in Day-have her leave him alone but ton, Ohio but this was as a revealed that Brown gave her gift

granting exemptions from antitrust laws to baseball, football, basketball and hockey teams, the committee put a strict

N. Y. METS ASK WAIVERS

ON VET WARREN SPAHN NEW YORK-Warren Spahn whose 360 victories make him the biggest-winning left-handed hurler in major league history was placed on waivers by the New York Mets last week in a move to give the 44-year old star his unconditional release

ELORDE TO DONATE

PURSE TO SHRINE NEW YORK - World Junior lightweight champion Flash Elorde of the Philippines will donate part of his purse for his non-title bout August 4 at Madison Square Garden against Frankie Narvaez to the Bataan Corregidor Shrine.

The Shrine is a joint project of the Philippines and United States government.

WILLIE ALL-STARS

MOST "COLORFUL"
BLOOMINGTON, Minn. Willie Mays didn't win the Most Valuable Player Award of the All-Star game, this year but he certainly was the most color-

THE LEADER

NEW YORK—Luis Aparicio has led the American League in stolen bases for the past nine seasons.



FORMER WELTERWEIGHT, gloves in a meeting in Los Anchampion Luis Redriguez (left) geles Redriguez, who will fight and Los Angeles Angel pitcher Memo Ayon in the Olympic

of his winning the title from Emile Griffith for the past time since the fight in the ball park

#### HARRIS FAST PITCH Twins ..... 16 Elites ..... 14 First Calvary 14 4 Beatles .... 10 Vikings ..... 8 who last year had their best season since 1928. The Bisons open September 25 against St. Paul's of Lawrenceville, Va. at Howard Stad-

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N. C. C. Track Men Leave for Overseas Meet track team members departed gal thinclads, Roberts, is enter-HOWARD UNIV.

July 15 for a series of overseas performances which will take them to six countries, and a third is entered in a competition in the West Indies.

Andrew McCray and Norman Tate are both members of a State Department-sponsored U. S. team which will make a 35day tour of Malasia, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Korea, Hawaii Japan performing and teaching local athletes.

McCray will concentrate on his specialties, the 440-yard hurdles and middle distance Tate on the broad ump, triple jump, and sprints.



HITTING LEADER-Don Clen don, of the Pittsburgh Pirates is the major league leader in base hits with 107. The Pirate first baseman has collected his hits in 326 times at bat for a .328 average. Trailing Clen-

ered in the Kingston Jamaica Carreras Games July 17. A sprinter and native of Trinidad, for which he won a bronze medal in the 1964 Tokyo Olympics, Roberts is also scheduled for a European tour in August.

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