

# As Seen in The Mirror's SPORTS REFLECTIONS

of Athletes  
and Events

New Bern fans don't have long to wait now for their first taste of basketball fare on the home court. Facing the Bruins on December 1 in their curtain raiser will be Pamlico Central.

Down in Spud county they take the cage game seriously, and this interest is reflected in the caliber of the teams they put out. No Pamlico team is ever a push over for anybody, so the Bears can expect spirited competition right from the start.

In most rural schools, basketball has always been the top sport. More often than not when city quintz tackled the country lads the town boys came off second best. With the advent of football in even the smaller institutions, some of the concentration on the cage game has eased up, but it still holds true that basketball is the rural fan's and the rural athlete's first love.

Two nights after their battle with Pamlico Central here the Bears will be playing host to Beaufort. This too should be a contest worth any fan's money. It is typical of all Carteret county ball clubs that they hustle all the way. New Bern's football team—

upset by Morehead City this season—can attest to this fact.

After these two home games, the Bruins take to the road for three non-Conference engagements. They will oppose Vanceboro on December 8, Pamlico Central again on December 10, and Beaufort once more on December 15.

Jacksonville comes to town on December 17 to pry the lid off the Northeastern Conference schedule. The Onslow aggregation would get a great measure of delight out of trouncing the Bruins, knowing the loop race is apt to be a wide open affair where every entry has a chance at the championship.

After the Cardinal encounter, the locals call time out for the Christmas holidays. They resume their Conference campaign at Tarboro on January 5, and play Roanoke Rapids here on January 8.



**STILL IN SPORTS**—You've probably wondered just what became of Billy Brooks, who once caught for New Bern in the Coastal Plain League. Well, the modest and likeable backstop is now basketball coach for Wilmington's New Hanover High school basketball team. He is recognized as one of the better High school mentors in the State.

## News For Veterans

"We at the Veterans Administration urge the veterans who hold GI term insurance policies to write or visit their nearest VA office and talk to the contact man to see if their policies fit their present and future needs."

This advice was extended to veterans by the Administrator of Veterans Affairs, Sumner G. Whittier, in an interview for publication in a nationally circulated daily newspaper.

"Veterans have the right to convert their policies from a term to a permanent plan," Whittier said. "The term premiums become very heavy about the point a man retires. There are some three million World War II veterans who have not converted. If 20 years from now, these three million are paying very heavy premiums, there will be a serious problem."

Term policies increase in costs as the policyholder gets older, for the same amount of insurance. The average age of World War II vet-

erans today is 40 years. If a World War II veteran has \$10,000 of National Service Life Insurance as term insurance, his premium will increase periodically, VA says. At the age of 70, he would be paying \$731.60 yearly in premiums.

If the veteran converts his policy is a permanent type of National Service Life Insurance, the amount of premium remains constant through the life of the policy, the same as at the age at which he converts.

Also, VA said, permanent policies make it possible for the holder to build up an estate and after the first year the policyholder may borrow on his policy.

### FIRST AND LAST MAYOR

Cincinnati — Harry Graham was elected the first mayor of the village of Sycamore recently. He wants to be its last mayor, too.

Graham's platform was only a pledge to seek to have the new village in northeast Hamilton county unincorporated again. He says Sycamore never should have been incorporated in the first place.

Graham said he and his supporters would start circulating petitions immediately seeking a special election to end the community's short life.

## Real Estate Transfers

E. W. Armstrong and wife, Mary E. Armstrong, to Thelma A. Norris and husband, John C. Norris. Property in No. 6 township.

Donna Hardy Harris and husband, Lowell E. Harris; Robert L. Hardy and wife, Sandra Hardy, to E. M. Armstrong and wife, Mary E. Armstrong. Property in No. 6 township.

Elizabeth E. Armstrong; Thelma A. Norris and husband, Corbett Norris; Lovellen A. Vanness to E. W. Armstrong and wife, Mary E. Armstrong. Property in No. 6 township.

Builders and Finance, Incorporated, to Murry T. Fulcher and wife, Jean S. Fulcher. Property on Pembroke Road.

J. Kelly Barnes, Sr., and wife, Elizabeth W. Barnes, to Raymond E. Sumrell. Property in No. 7 township.

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Vida A. Grantham to Neuse Land Company. Property in No. 7 township.

Morris Brothers, Incorporated, to Earl C. Cleland and wife, Vara G. Cleland. Property on Henderson Avenue.

Dabney M. Coddington and wife, Martha J. Coddington; William I. Coddington and wife, Gladys T. Coddington, to Nathan G. Gooding and wife, Polly C. Gooding. Property in No. 8 township.

Troy R. Jones and wife, Betty Grace Jones, Etal, to Charlie Ray Riggs and wife, Bessie D. Riggs. Property in No. 2 township.

Marvin W. Eubanks and wife, Gizela E. Eubanks, to Luther C. Wiggins, Jr., and wife, Jane Wiggins. Property in Sunnyside.

Vance S. Harrington & Co., Inc., to John Michael Bowanko and wife, Lois Mohr Bowanko. Property in No. 6 township.

Dora Carraway to Herbert Koonce and Mary Carraway Koonce. Property in Larksville.

Vernon Carlisle Hawkins to Walter Ray Vawter, Jr., and wife, Oberia Carroll Vawter. Property in No. 6 township.

James Muse and wife, Ella Potter Muse, to Raymond A. Rachid

and wife, Julia B. Rachid. Property in Tryon Village.

C. E. Hancock, Jr., J. Muse McCotter, Mark S. Dunn, Dr. C. H. Ashford, Walter C. Jones, Jr., Mary Louis Guion, C. K. McCotter, Frank E. Ballard and R. L. Stallings, Jr., the Wardens and Vestry of Christ Episcopal Church to the City of New Bern. Property in No. 7 township.

### FROZEN ASSET

Houston — Thieves stole \$1,300 in cold cash from Monte Ray Pettit. The victim told police he had hidden the money in a deep-freezer set at five degrees below zero in his frozen food plant in Houston.

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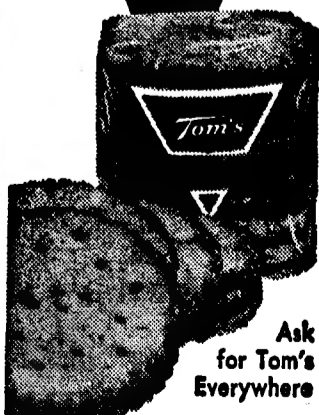
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