Louis Slowly Rounding In Condition; To Weigh 208

A. & T. To Clash With N. C. College Easter Monday

Game To Revive Baseball In CIAA & College Circles

GREENSBORO, Head Coach Wil-liam H. Bell has planned three non-conference baseball games for the A. and T. College baseball team this season.

The feature attraction of the three will be the revival of the annual "Easter Monday Classic," which will bring to Memorial Stadium this year the baseball squad from North Carolina College, Durham, April 22, at 1:30 p. m.

The other two highlight games of the Aggies' baseball agenda will be on May 30, "Decoration Day," and on June 2 in connection with the commencement program. Coach Bell is now busy working on his schedule for other important college and non-conference games.

Assisted by Charles W. Cooper, assistant coach, Bell began drilling his team early this month. The first call for baseball pitchers and catchers was issued on March 1, and the squad was completed on March 15.

Other college clubs have stated that they will not participate in conference baseball are Livingstone University and West Virginia State College.

Mgr. Warren And Young Cliff Statham Combine Talents

Manager Warren and young Cliff Statham combined their talents to make the newly organized South Carolina Grays of Winston-Salem, N. C., team Thursday night as they defeated the invaders by the score of 11 to 0 in a game that fifteen hundred fans stated were worth the admission price. I suppose I expected a little opposition but I received none. However, I'm glad to see baseball back in Winston-Salem. I missed baseball last year.

The locals scored in the first frame when Shelp Hardy walked and Statham sent him around the bases with a long home run. Statham also batted in two more runs in the fourth inning. Vince Pearson, Grays' hurler, was also a standout on the mound. He struck out seven batters and allowed only three hits. Pearson also helped his own cause by getting a single in the fourth inning.

Bill Wilkes and Shelp Hardy led the Grays' batting attack with two hits apiece. Wilkes, Hardy, Statham and Pearson each got one hit apiece.

The Grays' next game is scheduled for Sunday, April 14, at Kannapolis, N. C. Manager Warren announced that he has signed several ball players and expects to add more players who can help the team. He also stated that he is negotiating with several players who played with teams in the Negro National League and Negro Southern League and expects to play host with some of the Grays' men in the Carolina Islands. Now the Majors are getting a heavy dose of it.

Three players, the George Hamilton, Jr., regular second baseman, Salvatore Maglie, rookie right-hand pitcher, and Roy Zimmerman, second string first baseman, quit a team like the Giants for the Mexican League, you can be sure some-thing exciting and on the front page. The same cannot be said of Dolph Camilli, star outfielder of the Brooklyn Dodgers, who hopped to Mexico for a salary of $20,000 a season.

CUBANS SET UP CAMP IN NEW ORLEANS

NEW YORK — Alex Pompez, New York baseball magnate and perennial prospect prospector, left here last week for New Orleans, La., Bugler, while in Harlem's Seventh Avenue for the moment over the following veterans pitchers: Dupuy Bassett, Sensation Hubert "Bingo" Mungo, Bill Andrews, Bill Cox and "Bert" Daniels, first baseman "Sh wheat" Thomas and a dozen promising rookies.

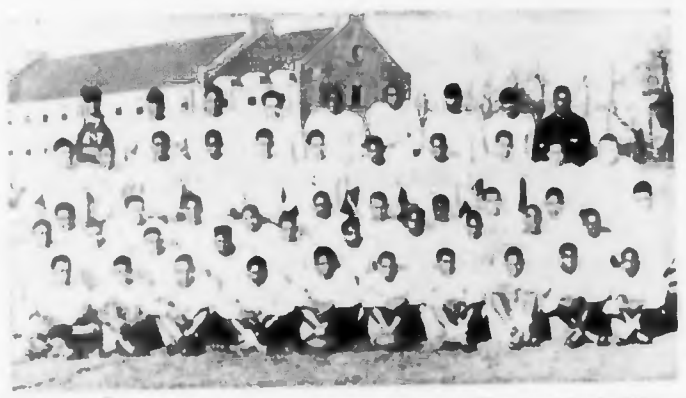
At the Crescent City they will be joined by Manager Jose Fernandez' Cuban delegation of Pitcher Leroy Thon, Outfielders "Chico" Chick, Alex Crespo, "Sonny" Amoros, Roger Linares and Frank Cordoba; Infielders Silvio Garcia, Orestes Minoso and Catcher Saul Noble.

Infielders, "Bobby" Martinez and "Pete" Diaz will join from Puerto Rico with "Pat" Scantlebury, pitcher and "Gil" Garrido, infielder, coming from Panama where they just finished a series with the "Clarey" McDonald's New York Yankees.

Catcher "Lou" Louden is already in camp as the Cubs train after a sensational season in the Cuban Winter League.

T. E. WILLIAMS TO RISK TITLE IN BOUT

LOS ANGELES, Calif. (C) — Jake Williams is making his NBA lightweight crown April 30th when he meets Enrique Bolanos here. The winner of the encounter is scheduled to take on Lew Jenkins, New York Yankees' pugilist, sometime before summer.



Behind The Play In Sports

BY DON DE LEIGHBUR

MEXICANS PROVE HEADACHE TO BOTH MAJOR AND NEGRO LEAGUES, HINTS DRAWBRIDGE POLICY BELOW THE BORDER

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NEW YORK — The Mexican baseball situation is causing a headache to baseball officials in the North. Leaders of the Negro National League are going to play in the Mexican League this season as in the past. About the only one of those regularly on display before Mexican fans who may pass up his usual trip down that way this season seems to be Willie Wells, famed as the greatest shortstop in Negro baseball but who is getting old and a bit creaky. He'll hold down the shortfield spot for the New York Black Yankees, instead.

The multi-millionaire Pasquel brothers who have enough money to pay Germany's war debts, are making no bones about who and what they want. They're after big league players in a campaign in which no holds are barred. This all points to mind the fact that, as in pro football, Negro athletes led the way in Mexico, in Cuba, in Puerto Rico and in the Canal Zone.

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Indications are, on the other hand, quite a few old-line stars of both the Negro National and American Leagues are going to play in the Mexican League this season as in the past. About the only one of those regularly on display before Mexican fans who may pass up his usual trip down that way this season seems to be Willie Wells, famed as the greatest shortstop in Negro baseball but who is getting old and a bit creaky. He'll hold down the shortfield spot for the New York Black Yankees, instead.

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DAVIS NAMED MANAGER OF N. C. GRAYS

WINSTON-SALEM — The N. C. Grays baseball club recently announced that Spencer "Bobo" Davis, formerly with the New York Black Yankees, had been signed to manage the Grays team here for this season. Other major league stars who have joined the local team are Dave Campbell, formerly with the Philadelphia Stars, and Sammie Hairston, who played with the Pittsburgh Crawfords.

The Grays are associate members of the Negro Southern League and the club has a farm arrangement with the New York Black Yankees.

KANSAS' FLYING GOVERNOR

TOPEKA — Governor Andrew Schoeppel, who uses an airplane in getting about the state, estimates that he gains the equivalent of two days a week by flying.

Joe's Training Schedule Calls for Gradual Shaping of Champ

WEST BADEN, Ind. — During the past two weeks of preliminary training for his June 19th date with Billy Conn, Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis has succeeded in losing only one pound. He weighed 218 pounds last Saturday) but Manuel Seaman, the champ's trainer, does not appear to be worried about the situation. The champ expects to get down to 208 for the Conn fight. This is a little above the best fighting weight but he is grown an inch in height.

Louis is walking eight miles a day and he has been cut to two rounds per day. Seaman explained that the champ must start any really heavy training grind until he goes to Pompton Lakes, N. J., in a few weeks. Because figures don't play at West Baden is simply a rest period. He expects the champion to get down under the 208 mark before starting training routine scheduled for camp at Pompton Lakes.

The champ gets up at 10 a. m. and eats at 4 p. m. He is eating a good deal of lamb chops, steak and fish. The fish originate in local streams but Louis doesn't catch them. Most of the time he just loafs around watching the small fish dance on the catch line.

Joe does a four mile hiking stunt following each meal. He spars little and Seaman considers this one of his sparring tactics. However, boxing is not a generally accepted subject of conversation around the camp. Joe prefers to talk about golf and he plays a round on a neighboring course whenever the weather is good. He recently posted a 76.

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OPA has published a pamphlet entitled "Dear Mr. Veteran," which is literally worth its weight in gold to vets. The little booklet gives the inside story on how vets can beat gyppers in the purchase of commodities and how to avoid an unnecessary loss of money in making normal purchases. Every veteran should send in. The pamphlet may be secured at any branch office of OPA.

CONN STILL DOWN TO TRAINING

GREENWOOD LAKE, N. J. (C) — Having set up headquarters at Teddy Gleason, Billy Conn sparred two rounds with Sammy Schaping, a Pittsburgh welterweight, as the first forward step in his preparation to meet Joe Louis June 19th. Conn looked fit and happy weighing 190 pounds.

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Richard B. Harrison while climbing was unknown to men of science and letters, doing only what his meager means could afford, when suddenly he unloosed his own letters, and starred in "Green Pastures" as De Lawd.

Taliaferro Stationed At Camp Lee, Ideal Soldier

CAMP LEE, Va. — Several months ago George Taliaferro, 19-year-old freshman halfback, was cutting capers across the long grass and slashing through tackle as a conspicuous member of Indiana's 1945 football "team of the year."

Now he is still doing a bit of dashing but for his Camp Lee mess sergeant and minus the plaudits of the grid fans who thrilled to his frequent exhibitions of dazzling speed and drive. As a private in the Army, the former Hoosier star in the forth week of basic training at the nation's largest quartermaster installation here.

The husky athlete, a native of Gary, Ind., has a month of military service, coming to Camp Lee February 15 after induction at Camp Atterbury, Ind.

Taliaferro had nothing but praise for the Indiana team that swept to the Big Ten conference championship and attracted the attention of national grid spotlight during the past season.

"All the fellows were swell and Coach Bo McMillin is one of the finest men I have ever met. It was no surprise to me that we had such a successful season, winning all but one game and that was the 7 to 7 deadlock with Northwestern which we should have won."

When asked the most exciting game he played in the fatigue-clad he promptly answered, not yet.

"Well, I suppose it was the Minnesota game when I received the ball at kickoff and raced 97 yards to a touchdown. It may seem that I am boasting but I'm answering your question honestly when I say this was my most exciting game.

"The success of our team may be attributed to several factors. One is that we had excellent material, another is perfect teamwork and most important of all, we had McMillan, a coach whom we all respected for his thorough knowledge of the game and the interest he manifested in his players."

"Yes, I have had offers to enter college when I leave the Army, but I'm certain I'll be back at Indiana."

Taliaferro was a star athlete at the Roosevelt High in Gary where he attracted attention as an outstanding performer in football, basketball, track and baseball. Even before he received his diploma it was generally known that the Hoosier institution had reserved a seat in their classrooms for him.

In his initial year of college competition he was nominated for honorable mention on Colliers' and other All-American football teams. He does not smoke or drink strong beverages because he is anxious to keep up top physical condition for the day when he will return to form on Indiana's gridiron squad.

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Paul Lawrence Dunbar, whose stories fill shelfs the jazz age wrote history for his be... ...ppl scrapp... ...blighted and blotted page.

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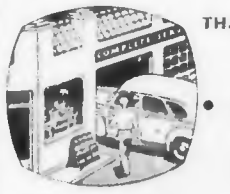

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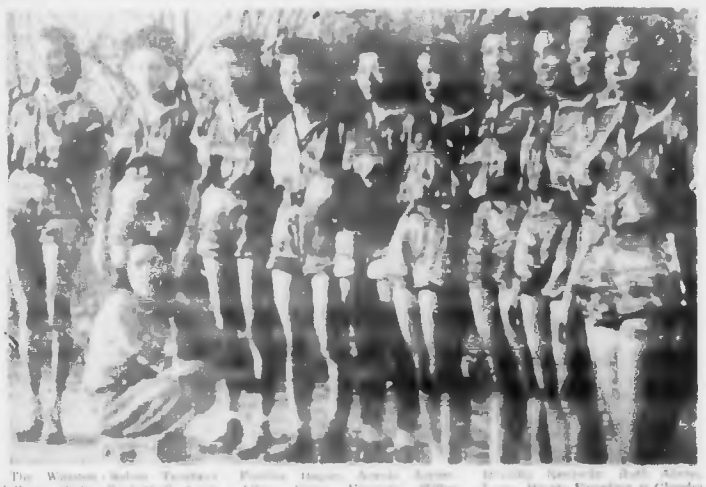
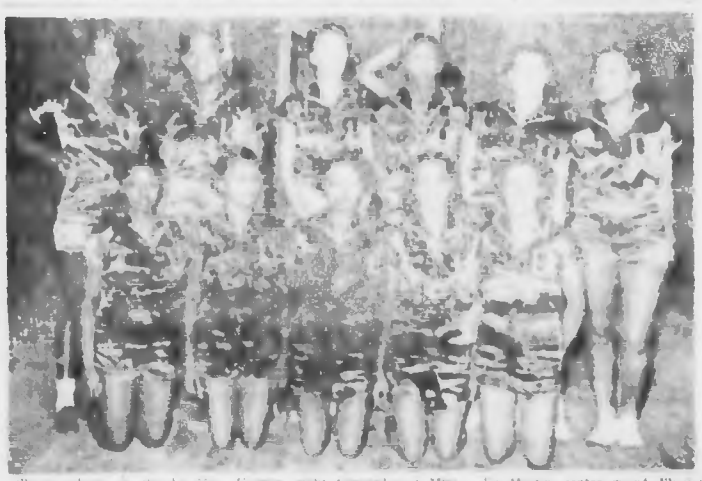


The Winston-Salem Teachers College Girls' Basketball team above left to right, Peggy Pat... Pauline Hagler, Amelia Arme... Allen, Jesse... Vivian Miller... Hooper, Lena... Lucille Jones... Harper.

Brooklyn Manager Burt Shotton, Lena Horne, Kneeling is Claudette Colbert.



Shown above is the Le-Mar Beauty School Basketball Team. Left to right, standing is Miss Ethel Rush, right forward; Miss Dorothy Floyd, left forward. Pink... Cooper, right forward and Miss Inez Bell, right forward. Standing back row left to right is Miss... Martin, center guard, Eloise King, left forward, Inez Burns, center guard, and Golden Byrd, Capt., center forward.

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