

THE SPORTSBEAT

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BASKETBALL BOWS OUT

Basketball has just about completed its appearance in the 1953 sports scene. Basketball is over except for the National Basketball Association playoffs which are now in progress, the Women's A. A. U. national clash scheduled for Wichita, Kansas next week and the All-American series between the College All-Stars and Abe Saperstein's fabulous Harlem Globetrotters beginning March 29 at New York.

Who Are The 1953 Champs?

CIAA (Tournament)	Winston-Salem
Mid-West	Jackson College (Miss.)
Southwest	Southern University (La.)
S. I. A. C. (Southern)	Bethune-Cookman (Fla.)
Negro National (N. A. I. A.)	Tennessee State
Big Ten	Indiana
N. C. A. A.	Indiana
National Invitation Tournament	Seton Hall
E. I. A. C.	Elizabeth City Teachers College
Bull City Tournament	Hillside High
N. C. A. A.	Atkins High (Winston-Salem)
N. C. A. A.	Nash County Training (Nashville)

The Scholastic Beat

Atkins of Winston-Salem walked off with the laurels in the 1953 triple-A championship for the second year in a row. It was an all Winston-Salem finals as Atkins defeated her Forsythe County neighbors Carver High in the title contest at Rocky Mount, N. C., March 21.

In Salisbury, in the Double-A contest, the Nashville Falcons bested Dunbar of East Spencer for the crown.

Atkins has figured in four of the last five title play-offs in the AAA.

1953—Atkins	Carver
1952—Atkins	Highland (Gastonia)
1951—Laurinburg	West Charlotte
1950—E. E. Smith (Fayetteville)	Atkins
1949—Laurinburg	Atkins

S. E. Carey, winner of the outstanding coach accolade at Rocky Mount meet, will retire from coaching after his successes this year. He will be succeeded by that very capable young coach, Cal Irvin. Irvin, who led J. C. Smith to the 1952 CIAA tournament finals which were played at Morgan, is presently employed at Atkins. Certainly is a nice way to bow out. Congratulations, Carey, and best wishes.

Winners Of Special Awards

The A. A. A. tournament team has balance, height, speed, floormanship, shooting. Atkins placed three men, Hillside and Carver one each, on the team which was picked by the college coaches present. (It looked like a North Carolina C. I. A. A. regional confab for coaches.)

Triple A The Box Score

FIRST ROUND	
ATKINS—91	GOLDSBORO—61
HILLSIDE—66	GASTONIA—52
LAURINBURG—66	CONCORD—55
CARVER—66	BOOKER T. (Rky. Mt.)—63
SEMI-FINALS	
ATKINS—70	HILLSIDE—61
CARVER—51	LAURINBURG—48
FINALS	
ATKINS—62	CARVER—43

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Globe Trotters To Play At Raleigh In April

NEW YORK—Abe Saperstein, dynamic owner of the famous Harlem Globetrotters, is confident that his hirelings will go into the World Series of Basketball with a perfect regular season record.

If they do, that will be an unprecedented event in basketball history, sharpshooting wizards of ball history. Early this week the court had racked up 135 successive wins. Saperstein has his fingers crossed with only 26 more games to play during the regular season. He says:

"We want to go into the World Series of Basketball this year with a perfect record for the season. If a perfect record for the season does nothing more than frighten those College All-Americans, it will have served its purpose."

The Globetrotters end their 1952-53 season on March 27 in Toledo, O., two days later the tangle with the colorful College All-Americans in the first game of the World Series, at Marison Square Garden.

The two brilliant quintets will then play 18 games in as many days. The trans continental tour will be made by chartered plane.

The Trotters are scheduled to play at Reynolds Neal Memorial Coliseum at Raleigh on April 1. It is reported that they will play against an aggregation of Collegiate All-Stars at the Raleigh arena which will star Seton Hall's Walter Dukes.

This fourth annual event is the most spectacular presentation in basketball history. During the past three years a total of 599,389 spectators have witnessed the battles between the All-Americans, players from the nation's top colleges, and the Trotters.

Shaw Nine Drill Daily

RALEIGH—Shaw University's baseball squad, under the direction of Coach James E. Lytle, is working out daily in preparation for the 1953 season. Among the prospects are seven lettermen. They are Captain Harry Callender, Johnnie Jowers, George White, Sam Jones, Horace Hussey, Joe Wilder, and Harvey Wood. There are 29 men out for the team. Best looking newcomer is third baseman Len Lewis, the varsity basketballer who is a junior. The team shapes up well with at least two men vying for each position.

The mound staff needs the most work with Harvey Wood the only regular in a starting role last season.

North Carolina Mutual Reports 4 Million Gain In Assets; Four Executives Get Promotions

An increase of more than four million dollars was made by the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company in its operations for the past year. It was revealed here last week at the annual meeting of the company's board of directors.

The increase sent the firm's total assets well over the 37 million mark.

Following the board's meeting, it was announced that four officials of the home office staff had received promotions. J. J. Henderson was named Assistant Treasurer; D. B. Martin and W. A. Clement were named Associate Actuary Directors; and N. H. Bennett became Assistant Secretary and Associate Actuary.

The meeting of the board, 54th such gathering of the firm's top brass, ushered in a new area of management for the company. For it was the first such meeting over which the late president C. C. Spaulding, who died last July, did not preside. In his familiar place at the chairman's table sat his former top aide, W. J. Kennedy, Jr., who succeeded Spaulding as president of the firm.

Remarking on the change in leadership of the company, Kennedy said:

"The year 1953 is the beginning of a new era in the management of our company in that the second generation is in command. This is not only a fact insofar as home office operations are concerned, but it also applies to field operations."

At the end of operations for the past year, the company records showed an increase of \$4,135,516.25, bringing its total assets to \$37,694,296.84. During the year, insurance in force reached \$179,166,802.

In the year's of its operations, the firm has made 1442 mortgage loans worth a total of \$9,471,551.17 to help many of the company's policyholders finance homes, businesses, churches, and other holdings. The company made loans in the amount of \$1,413,513.85 on policies last year to help tide policyholders over in financial emergencies.

After increasing the policy reserves for the protection of policyholders and providing for payment of dividends, sick and death claims and other obligations, the company's surplus contingency reserves and unassigned funds amounted to \$4,337,390.08 in bonds which represent obligations of the U. S. and Canadian governments; railroad, public utility and industrial corporations.

In his statement to the board



W. A. CLEMENT



D. B. MARTIN



J. J. HENDERSON



N. H. BENNETT

of directors, President Kennedy said:

"North Carolina Mutual has never been so well equipped to serve as now, and it is evident that it will continue its unbroken record of progress. Each policyholder is a part owner of this great, cooperative enterprise where every member joins hands and lends his support in the establishment of a reservoir of security for the financial well-being of all."

During the election of officers for the year, the board elevated Henderson, Martin, Clement and Bennett to new positions. Henderson, native of Bristol, Tenn., and a graduate of Hampton Institute, was promoted to the position of assistant treasurer. The former assistant comptroller, Henderson started working for the company in 1937.

Martin and Clement, both of whom had held the position of assistant Agency Director, became Associate Agency Directors. A native of Albany, Ga., Martin came to the company in 1926. He is a graduate of Georgia State Normal and Lincoln University. Clement, who has been with the firm since 1934, is a native of Charleston, S. C. He received a degree from Talladega College, Talladega, Ala. Bennett, who came to the firm as an Associate Actuary in 1941,

was elected Assistant Secretary and Associate Actuary. A graduate of Florida A. and M. and the University of Michigan, he is a native of White Springs, Fla.

Other officers, re-elected at the meeting, are as follows:

President, W. J. Kennedy, Jr., Secretary, J. W. Goodloe; Vice-President, Treasurer, E. R. Merrick; Vice-President, Agency Director, G. W. Cox; Vice-President, Medical Director, Dr. Clyde Donnell; Vice-President, Actuary, Controller, A. T. Spaulding; Vice-President, Associate Agency Director, D. C. Deans, Jr.; Assistant Treasurer, Cashier, Mrs. B. A. J. Whitted; Counsel, C. C. Spaulding, Jr.; Assistant Secretary, Aaron Day, Jr.; Assistant Treasurer, Mrs. V. G. Turner.

The Board of Directors also appointed the following persons members of the staff and other home office administrative personnel:

Assistant Controller, R. C. Foreman; Claim Supervisor, B. W. Kennedy; Assistant to Cashier, Mrs. G. B. Hawkins; Assistant to Controller, W. J. Kennedy, III; Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Louise T. McCrae; Agency Secretary, L. B. Frasier; Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Ethel Berry; Manager, Tabulating department, Albert R. Burgess; and Research Analyst, W. A. Kenny.

BROWSING WITH BROWER

By Frank Brower
READING FACES
Some faces show love and pity,
Others show hate and sin,
Bright faces show those who are witty,
Others are sorrowful, pinched and thin,
And so as I ride in the Omnibus
I'm reading faces of women and men,
But they are not bothered in any way,
When I've done no harm to them.
—P. F. DAME

MONKING WITH THE LAW

Raleigh Legislators passed a law to permit drivers to renew their licenses without reexamination last week. The bill would allow persons to get their licenses re-issued every four years



by submitting to the Motor Vehicles Department that they were in good physical and mental health and a certificate showing they had had an eye examination. That's more trouble than now. This would apply only to those who have not been convicted of Motor Vehicle law violation or involved in an accident resulting in more than \$50.00 damage during the previous four years. As of April 1st, the Orange Presbyterian Commission dissolves Chapel Hill's Deacon and Elder Boards, following up the firing of the well liked Reverend Charles Jones sometime ago. His church congregation has accused the judicial commission with "attempted bribery, mis-statements, errors and prejudice in their investigation." Rev. Jones told an unsegregated Raleigh audience that this is nothing new. "Many of you know you are not free to go to any church you may choose because of your dark skin." The minister, besides elimination of segregation in his church, at one time gave sanctuary in his home to Negroes who had "tested" the Jim Crow law on buses in North Carolina. Two Colored men are still being hunted in the Carthage slaying of Police Chief "Bun" Cameron, and they have been declared outlaws. Under North Carolina law any officer or private citizen can call on them to surrender and if they refuse to comply, they may be killed on sight.

The reason the Berean Sunday School Class at Saint Joseph has about a half a hundred every Sunday is that the cross section of men in this town don't feel like "sisses" when they go there and they can fuss and learn in their comradeship.

WEEKLY NEWS CALENDAR

A good sermon past Sabbath-day at White Rock, "Strengthening The Christian Life-Giving" by Miles Mark Fisher, pastor. Reverend A. L. Mason is holding a revival there all this week. Wonderful dinner host and hostess, Dr. and Mrs. Jimmy Hubbard have a charming little guest entertainer in the person of their little daughter, Linda Rose. With all these 3-Dimensional movies, kids will soon have to be born with square eyeballs. A new daughter for Mr. and Mrs. George White, Jr. whose name is Connie Jo, and she refuses to enter the Hampton Baby Contest. Her brother, Tippy won last year. Mr. and Mrs. Waverly Easley's daughter, Wyvetta Al-Vera has already thrown her hat in the ring of the Annual Baby Contest, sponsored by the local Hampton Alumni. The winning baby will get a valuable prize and so will the lucky ticket holder.

YOUR TV REPORTER

For the first time in history. The Women's Association of Virginia selected Mrs. John Young of Courtland as the mother of the year, who sent her fourteen children plus five orphans through school. Also a 52-year-old mother of seven who did housework for white

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Hillside Seniors To Present Musical Play

One of the greatest musical comedy successes to have reached the American stage will be the Broadway hit attraction to be presented by the Senior Dramatic Club of Hillside High School. This is "The Desert Song", which has been played in America and abroad thousands of times, but never lacks cases where it can spread again the glamour of its story, and its perennially popular music by Sigmund Romberg.

The Club's presentation will be given April 30, at Hillside High School.

The action of "The Desert Song" involves Pierre Birabeau who, having espoused the cause of the Riffs in the French-Riffian strife in Morocco to protect them from the cruelties of his own commanding officer, finds himself opposed in the campaign by his own father. Disguised as the Red Shadow, he leads the Riffs in many successful campaigns, escaping detection by pretending to be half-witted, abducts his girl, Margot Bonvalet, and makes love to her in the desert as his rebel self.

Some of Romberg's most entralling music, including "Hol" (the riding song of the Riffs), "One Alone," and the title song, are included in the haunting score of "The Desert Song."

The operetta's romantic story was written by Oscar Hammerstein II, in collaboration with Frank Mandel and Otto Harbach.