

Robert Eller **Black-On Sports**

There's a hit song by The Bee Gees entitled "How Can Love So Right Turn Out To Be So Wrong" and this writer is wondering how can writers and sports businessmen turn out to be so wrong with the way things are going in major league baseball at this point in the season. The only answer to the latter question has to be panic. When such stars as Reggie Jackson, Don Gullett, Dave Cash, and Joe Rudi became free agents and signed with various teams over the winter the same panic that gripped basketball when "Dr. J" signed with the 76ers, and George Allen picked up Calvin Hill, John Riggins, and Bill Johnson, the Baltimore Colts' football team will be destroyed they said, the Yankees and the 76ers will have instant dynasties and the Redskins have bought a Super Bowl they howled. Well unless things change in the next three months they will be wrong again. The Yankees with the potential to beat the American League All-Star team find themselves in third place behind a team that these knowledgeable men said would be reduced to near cellar dwellers with the loss of Jackson, Bobby Grich, and Wayne Garland. The Baltimore Orioles are playing excellent baseball and they don't seem to believe all the premature talk. Teams like the California Angels who spend a bundle on the free agent market are now changing managers instead of ordering World Series tickets.

This writer still looks for the Angels and the Yankees to come on strong but he doesn't see any dynasty ruling over the divisions as was predicted. Maybe some of the people who predicted the downfall of pro sports should take a longer look at the free enterprise system before screaming the sky is falling the next time some a player decides to declare himself a free agent. And maybe the owners will decide to take a longer look at the players abilities and potentials before they dole out the millions after the remarks that were credited to the Cleveland Indians new millionaire pitcher Wayne Garland this week. Garland reportedly said he wasn't asking anything near the amount of money he received from the Indians, but, he said that he jumped at the chance to sign with the remarks, "Where do I sign I'll play in Siberia for that kind of money. Garland was a 20 game winner last season but his record this season is only 6-9. Not too good

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Shaw Selects New Coach

"Mitchell Named Mentor"

Raleigh, N.C.] -- Shaw University today filled the vacancy created by the registration of Head Basketball Coach James Farris at the end of last season.

Dr. Richard L. Fields, Acting President of Shaw University, announced today in a news conference, the selection of Ira I. Mitchell to lead the Bears this year.

Ira Mitchell, 34, graduated from Shaw University with a B.S. degree in Physical Education in 1966. He received his M.S. from North Carolina Central University in 1974.

Mitchell started his coaching career at Shaw University, serving as Head Basketball Coach from 1967-1971, compiling a 53-38 won-lost record. His best year was in 1971 when the Bears were 23-5, finishing as runners-up in the CIAA Tournament to Norfolk State College.

From 1971-1976, Mitchell was Head Coach of the Delaware State College Hornets, in Dover, Delaware, splitting 60-60 over the five-year period. His best effort was an 18-9 season in 1974-75, finishing 4th in the MEAC and 2nd in the NAIA District Finals.

This past year, Mitchell served as Head Junior Varsity Basketball Coach at Fuquay Senior High

School in Fuquay, N.C. where he ran up an impressive 14-4 record.

Mitch looks forward to fielding a running team, with emphasis on the

inside game, and a balanced scoring attack. Defense will be a major part of his strategy, employing combinations of pressure defenses.

He's a strict disciplinarian, both physically and mentally, looking for team-oriented players, who possess quickness, agility, mental toughness,

and a penchant for defense. Says Mitchell,

"He must take pride in playing on BOTH ends of the court."



Ira Mitchell

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Sports

Woodbury Qualifies For Nationals

By Robert Eller Sports Editor

Teresa Woodbury running for the Speedos Track Club tied the Region III 100 yard dash record Saturday July 9th in qualifying for the National AAU Junior Olympic track meet to be held in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Teresa, who had captured the city and state events in getting to the Regionals in Auburn Alabama equaled Evelyn Ashford's record of 10.7 in winning her qualifying heat. She then ran 11.0 in the finals taking second on a photo finish.

She also qualified for the national meet in the

220. She won her qualifying meet with a time of 25.4 and finished second in the finals in 25.3.

The 440 relay team of which she is a member along with Jesse Bennett, Latricia Easter and Patty Hickman placed third with a time of 51.0. The relay team does not advance to

the nationals.

Twanna Bullock of the Roadrunners Track Club also earned a berth in the national meet by capturing the 220 in her age category. Her time of 29.6 was one second off the region record.

The Roadrunners 440 relay team of Robin Wilson, Lemelia Johnson,

Melinda Richardson and Carol Griffith took second in that event with a time of 50.3.

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WSBL Advance In St. Tourney

By Robert Eller Sports Editor

Eight of the ten teams in the Winston-Salem Baseball League began play in the North Carolina State Semipro Baseball Tournament last weekend in Roxboro.

In opening round action the Greensboro Knights advanced in the winners bracket with an 11-7 victory while the Fritts Body Shop Astros lost to the Johnson County All Stars 8-4.

On Thursday night the Warden Motors Indians put on an awesome hitting display in trouncing the Roanoke Rapids Texaco Stars 9-4. Newly acquired catcher "Boombin" Ben Norris was the hitting star for the Indians clouting

two homers, a double, and a single to lead a 15 hit attack. The slugging Indians pounded out eight extra base hits and had 13 different runners to reach base in the game.

Indian starter Gary Groce was staked to a three run lead in the third inning when second baseman Fuzzy Marion singled stole second and scored on third baseman Mike Smith's single. Leftfielder Curt Gibson then blasted a two run homer. Roanoke Rapids scored a single run in the bottom of the sixth inning before Norris hit one a mile over the left field fence in the top of the seventh. The Indians added three more runs in the eighth on successive singles by Norris, Gary Flynt, Ted Petree and Marion. Norris then whacked his second four bagger of the game in the ninth with Thomas Foggie aboard following his second double of the game. Groce went all the way in recording his seventh win of the season against one loss. The young fireballing right-hander struck out twelve and held the Stars to no run on five hits until the ninth when Junior Hunt slammed a three run homer after a single and a walk.

The WSBL leading Pond Giants also advanced on Friday night as Jerry Tuttle singled in the winning run in the bottom of the ninth inning to give them a 4-3 victory over the Johnson County Dodgers.

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Fishing
by George Booie



Chronicle Editor Goes Fishing

Speaking of finding time for fishing and vacationing, well our Editor, "Ernie" Pitt, spent the pre-holidays at Nags Head, a sort of fisherman's paradise.

"Ernie," fishing from the pier, was dragging blood worms on the bottom, and snatching to set the hooks in response to the least tighten of his line. Ernie ran out of blood worms and had to use his small spots for cut bait. He filled his ice chest with sea trout, flounders, and spots. While visiting this friend on Nags Head, without any thought of fishing, Ernie saw fit to interrupt his visit to take on some fishing with borrowed tackle.

Fishing the hot surf did not produce. He staid with it, hopeful, while observing an approaching storm front in the distance. Stopping for safety while the front, which had an electrical storm riding, passed over dumping a cool rain. The temperature of the surf dropped. Fishing picked up and Ernie came away loaded with a good catch and happy from an unexpected fishing excursion.

Dragging and snatching was a producing method

for the editor. There might be something in his method that will work for you. Fish that won't take a hook may just as easily be gill or belly hooked.

Has your fishing come to a standstill? If so you must try some of the tricks that are known to change your luck. With this hot weather and consequently hot water the natural thing for a self respecting fish to do is to seek a cool spot. Where are those comfort zones? Well some will be found under overhanging trees or alders, others will be found in the very deep water. If you are anchored for a great length of time, be sure to drop your bait under the boat.

Creeks and spring streams that supply your favorite pond or lake will provide not only cool water but fresh water that will be carrying food into the lake. Don't fail to fish those inlets or locations where the streams enter the lake. Salem Lake is producing weakly on everything but catfish. If your vacation is covering this period of hot weather here is hoping your know-how pays off.



Walter Pollard, 2640 Pinnacle, finds that post holiday fishing is good.

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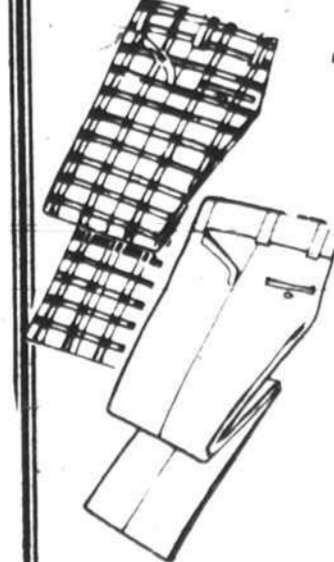
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