

Today's Sports Parade

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NEW YORK (AP)—Tommy Hurricane Jackson, the new sensation of the heavyweight division, was "running and waiting" today with an unquenchable certainty that sooner or later he will wind up as champion of the world. Jackson is the Bible-toting young Negro who moved solidly into the heavyweight picture last week when he stopped third-ranking Dan Bucceroni. It was only his 20th professional bout but it was an eye-opener.

To everybody but Jackson. "I knew I could beat him," explains the 22-year-old who stands 6-1½ and weighs 192 pounds. "I feel as if I can beat anybody."

Possibly it is a bit early to go that far but you can take it from Jack Dempsey, the old Manassa Mauler, with experience Jackson could go all the way.

Big Guns

Jackson's big guns are condition, stamina and a constant attack. He tosses punches in a never-ceasing shower and features a heavy-uppercut which he devised himself, holding both hands together as he brings them up. His form may be on the primitive side, but he specializes in constant action.

Other boxers with whom he trains at Stillman's Gymnasium have nicknamed him the "Animal" because he never seems to tire of working-out and because he likes to get hit as well as to hit.

"I like to work out," he explains. "I run, rain or shine. I don't even care if it snows. And I like to get hit. It makes me feel good and feel strong."

Jackson works out six days a week, resting only on Sunday when he attends church faithfully. He even wanted to work the day after beating Bucceroni, a victory which rocketed the man from Sparta, Ga., right up into title contention despite his limited experience.

Won Nine

Bucceroni had won nine in a row and was expected to face Rocky Marciano for the title in September. But Jackson ended that, and it was no fluke. Because before that the Hurricane had blown over Rex Layne and beaten Clarence Henry for a total of 18 wins, eight by knockout, against one loss and one draw.

That loss was to Burt Whitehurst, and Jackson, a vegetarian, blames it on his diet.

"They made me eat steak before the fight," he recalls. "My manager said it would give me strength. All it did was make me sick."

The second youngest of a family of eight children, he was seven years old when his widowed mother brought him to New York. He has been fighting only 20 months but he is confident that his strength will carry him to the title.

That is clearly evident when he looks at his possible opponents for the future:

"Ezzard Charles is nothing," he says. "Nino Valdes will be easy. As for Marciano, I'll polish him."

Just like that. But those who saw him swarm all over Bucceroni aren't laughing too loud.

Lou Boudreau Still After That Pennant

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP)—Lou Boudreau originally set 1955 as the year of his youthful Red Sox baseball express would hit the American League pennant stop. But now, despite the injury of Ted Williams, he feels his club might hit this station a year early.

"Don't sell us short, we could win it," he declared. "Losing Williams—perhaps until July 1—was quite a blow. But, if some of my rookies" come through, we ought to be able to stay close until Ted gets back. If it works out that way, we could catch fire and take it all."

His club is pretty well set except for first base and the third outfield spot. But he figures he can solve at least one of those problems if Bill Consolo continues his heavy hitting.

Then the California bonus kid would be at second base, freeing the versatile Billy Goodman for either first base or left field—the latter spot only until Williams returns.

Right now, the Red Sox manager is not satisfied with either Dick Gernert, who hits a long ball but not often enough, or rookie Harry Agganis at first. That means he might call on Goodman to play first. But should either Gernert or Agganis come through, it would free Goodman for left field.

Milt Bolling is set at short, George Kell at third, Jim Piersall in center, and Jackie Jensen in right. Hoot Evers or rookie Karl Olson, who has started to hit after getting off to a slow start, will be in left if Goodman is needed at second or first.

Sammy White will be the No. 1 catcher, with Mickey Owen, trying a comeback, rating as the chief understudy at this time. Del Wilber will be the No. 3 receiver. Ted Lepcio and Floyd Baker are the infield spares. Until Williams returns either of two rookies, Bob Broome or Charles Maxwell will be a spare outfielder. Both played with Louisville last season. Broome hitting .306, Maxwell, a more accomplished fielder, .305.

The big five of the pitching staff will be Mel Parnell 21-8 last season; Sid Hudson 6-9; Joe Dobson 5-5 with the White Sox; Hec Brown 11-6 and Willard Nixon 4-8. Ellis Kinder 10-6 will be the No. 1 relief man.

Boudreau has high hopes two kids just out of service will become regular starters—Tom Brejer, a fastballer who won 35 games while losing only seven during his two-year hitch in the Army; and Leo Kiely, who had a 7-7 record for the Sox in 1951. Kiely has a good chance of breaking into the starting rotation. Because of Kiely's

Services Sunday For Mrs. Adams

Mrs. Lillie Adams, 50, wife of V. Hawkins Adams of Benson, Route 2, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Verna Adams Friday at 8:30 p. m. Funeral services were held Sunday at 3 p. m. at Lees Union Advent Church. The Rev. B. H. Ingie of Raleigh officiated, assisted by the Rev. Harrison Pritchard of Durham. Burial was in Banner's Chapel cemetery. Surviving in addition to her husband and Mrs. Verna Adams are two other daughters, Mrs. Matha Pope of Benson, Route 2, and Mrs. Melissa Adams of Wade, Route 1; one son, J. Q. Adams of Dunn; four sisters Mrs. Odell McLamb of Benson, Route 3, Mrs. Millie Johnson and Mrs. Esther Lee of Benson, Route 3, Mrs. Lattie Allen of Coxs, Route 1; one brother, Jess Parker of Benson, Route 2; her mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Wheeler of Benson, Route 2; five grandchildren.

SPORTS SHORTS

SYRACUSE, N. Y. (AP)—The Minneapolis Lakers were in the driver's seat in the final round of the National Basketball Association playoffs today, but the battered Syracuse Nationals were hoping that the return of the speedy George King would enable them to make a comeback. The Lakers took a 2-1 lead in games in the best-of-seven series Sunday night by drubbing the Nationals, 81-67, at War Memorial Auditorium. The series resumes here Thursday night.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The Pacific Coast League swings into its 52nd year of operation Tuesday with a schedule sliced to 168 games and post-season playoffs restored among the first division clubs. About 45,000 fans are expected to turn up at the four California parks to help open a season which should be sparked by plenty by the league's decision to accept optimees from major teams.

BROOKLYN (AP)—Ralph (Tiger) Jones, fourth-ranked contender for Bob Olson's middleweight crown, promises Boudreau let Mickey McDermott, the 18-game southpaw winner, go to Washington in the Jensen deal.

Two other possibilities are rookie Tom Herrin, who was 8-4 at Baltimore last season, and Ben Flowers, who throws hard but lacks control. Flowers had a 3-2 record at Baltimore and 1-4 with the Red Sox last year. Bill Werle, the left-hander who was 13-3 at Louisville, will be the No. 2 bullpen man.

risks that raining tonight as a heavy favorite over Billy (Wildcat) McNeese of Central Islip, N. Y., in the feature 10-round bout at the Eastern Parkway Arena. Only four weeks ago—in the same ring, Jones scored a stirring knockout over Bobby Dykes of Miami.

GREENSBORO, N. C. (AP)—The first four rounds were forgotten today as Doug Ford of Kiamasha Lake, N. Y., and Marty Furgol of Lamont, Ill., began an 18-hole playoff for first place in the Greater Greensboro Open golf tournament. They each shot a one-under par 70 in the fourth round Sunday to finish in a first place tie at 283. The winner of today's playoff will receive \$2,000 and the runnerup will get \$1,400.

PALO ALTO, Calif. (AP)—A grand old man of football—Glenn Scooby (Pop) Warner—celebrated his 83rd birthday today in his Palo Alto home by telling friends that modern football is all too expensive and complicated. "Pop" who successfully directed a half-dozen major college teams over 45 years, told his well-wishers that football also suffers by having too many coaches and too many officials.

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP)—Art Larsen, former national tennis champion who is going all-out on the comeback trail, explained his triumph in the Caribe Hilton Invitation tournament today by saying: "I'm just playing my best tennis now." The blond southpaw

Barnes Services To Be Tuesday

James A. (Pink) Barnes, 69, of Benson, Route 3, died at his home Sunday morning about 7:30 o'clock. He had been in ill health for about three years and seriously ill for three weeks.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Hodges Chapel Free Will Baptist Church. The Rev. J. D. Capps, the Rev. Sam Hardison and the Rev. Oras Matthews will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Barnes was a native and from San Leandro, Calif., won the men's singles crown for the second straight year Sunday when he upset top-seeded Vic Selxas of Philadelphia in the final round, 12-10, 6-4, 6-4.

DETROIT (AP)—Coach Tommy Ivan said today "team play did it" as his Detroit Red Wings celebrated a 3-2 victory over Montreal in the opening game of the Stanley Cup finals. The Red Wings drew first blood in the best-of-seven game series, Sunday night by out-hustling the Canadiens in a close-checking contest which saw very few good scoring chances.

lifelong resident of Johnston County, son of the late Jimmy and Edith Ann Griffin Barnes. He was a retired farmer.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Florence Hardison Barnes of the home; two brothers, Benton Barnes, of Raleigh, Bob Barnes of Selma; three half-brothers, Milton Bradley of Raleigh; Joe Bradley of Wilson Mills, Route 1, and Add Bradley of Smithfield, Route 1; two sisters, Mrs. Connie Barbour of Smithfield, Route 1, Mrs. Carson Ross of Garner.

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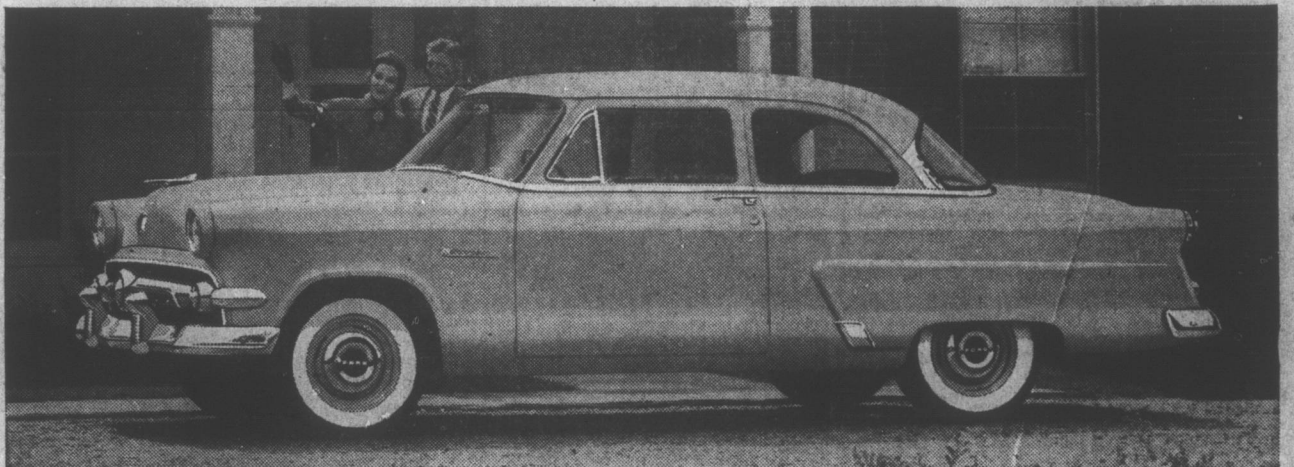
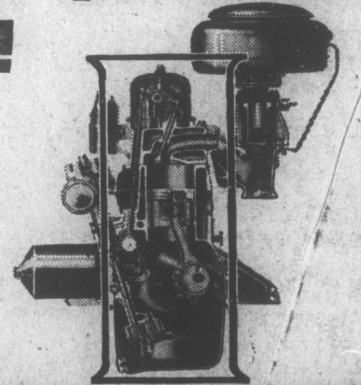
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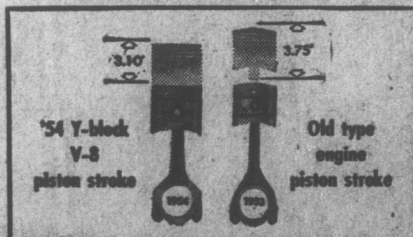


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