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Sports Beat



BY BILL JOHNSON

SAY YOU SAW IT HERE...

A bachelor is a rolling stone that has gathered no boss.

In case you missed it, our boy Charlie Sifford flew into town last week for a brief visit with one of his sisters who is ill in a local hospital. The Charlotte native, who toured the PGA circuit for a number of years, was the house guest of Curtis Alexander.

The Raleigh OIC is sponsoring its first annual amateur golf tournament this weekend at the Eagle Crest Golf Course in Garner. The 36-hole tourney will offer trophies to the winners, second and third place finishers in each flight. The \$25 entrance fee covers green fees, food, refreshments and the awards.

Thought you might like to know that Charlotte's Dexter Feaster has been named captain of the 1976 North Carolina A&T State University football team. He is one of four players to be honored with the coveted responsibilities of team leadership. Ron Morgan, Joe Bloomfield, Jeorold Holland and Ron Aiken have also been named Aggie captains. Feaster, a wide receiver and two-time All-MEAC selection, is a pre-season All-American candidate, along with defensive tackle Ron Morgan.

One of life's oddest facts is that a square meal makes people round.

Credit Bill Cole, president of the popular Triple County Semi-Pro Baseball League, with a great promotion for his league's championship playoffs. Cole announces the top eight teams in the TCSL will be matched in a double elimination tournament at Harding High School's athletic field on Saturday, August 28, and Sunday, August 29. Bill has divided his league into four divisions - north, south, east, and west. He has an outstanding attraction in the making. At the moment, The Morris Field Rangers is the only team to clinch a position in the tournament. The Charlotte Bumpers, Charlotte Hawks, Hoskins Giants, Charlotte Chiefs, Kings Mountain "A's", Charlotte Red Birds, Bisco Chargers, the Royal Bums and the Norwood Jets are the other teams in contention.

Bill has scheduled four games each day. The four winners of the two-day tournament will advance to the championship round the next weekend.

By the time you read this, Johnson C. Smith and Livingstone will have entertained the press at a luncheon at the Convention Center of Holiday Inn-North. The schools are soliciting the support of the entire Charlotte community for their Bicentennial Football Classic at Memorial Stadium Saturday, Oct. 16.

Walter Tillman, instructor in Physical Education and head track and field coach at Dillard University, is one of three Americans selected to participate in the Mexican Coaching Exchange Program in Aquascalientes, Mexico, August 16-27.

Bet you didn't know that Bethune-Cookman has nine players on the rosters of NFL clubs. Larry Little of Miami, Bobbie Clark of Cincinnati and Jack McClarien of Pittsburgh are the better knowns.

Raymond McDougal, former JCSU standout, is expecting all-star performances for several of his Fayetteville State gridders this year. Mac will be sorely disappointed if quarterback Carlos Bailey does not rate high in the bidding for All-CIAA honors next winter. He's also expecting "big things" of wide receiver Ron Crawford. The Broncos will play seven CIAA opponents, two non-league foes, with an open date on the 1976 schedule.

Over Charlotte Trojans

Alonzo "Shot" Clawson Keys Hawks Victory

Pitcher Alonzo "Shot" Clawson led the Charlotte Hawks to an exciting 2-1 Triple County Semi-Pro Baseball League victory over the Charlotte Trojans here Saturday afternoon.

In so doing, the veteran righthander gave up seven widely scattered hits, struck out five and walked only one while working on the mound. On the other side of the ledger, he was even more instrumental in supplying the momentum for the one-run win.

The Hawks edged the Morning Grove Hawks, 11-10, Sunday afternoon to pick up a pair of triumphs over the weekend.

But back to Mr. Clawson, who has been starring in semi-pro baseball in the area for as long as most of us care to remember. With the Hawks trailing by a 1-0 score, "Shot" opened the third inning with a walk. He immediately stole second and was sent scurrying home on a single by Johnny Davis, tying the count at 1-piece.

Raymond Blackmon led off the ninth with a base on balls and Willie Rorie was out on strikes but Lester McManus kept the Hawk's hope alive with a single to right field, placing runners at first and second. The Trojans intentionally walked Roosevelt Davis, the Hawks' most feared hitter, thus setting the stage for Clawson's final heroics of the day.

Clawson didn't let either his teammates or their supporters down. He promptly sent a pitch whistling to right field to

score Blackmon with the winning tally.

The Hawks and Morning Grove fought a nip-and-tuck battle through eight innings Sunday afternoon. Each side scored a run in the first but the Hawks went up 4-1 with a three-run rally in the sixth only to have Morning Grove to come back with four markers in the top of the seventh for a 5-4 advantage.

Morning Grove added five more runs in the top of the eighth for what appeared to be a sure victory. However, manager Walter "Dub" Cuthbertson's doughty crew came from behind with seven big runs in their half of the eighth to capture the one-run win.

Roosevelt Davis and Kerry Carouthers were the big heroes of the success. Davis went 5-for-5 at the plate, smashing out a home run, 2 triples and as many singles. Carouthers was the winning pitcher. Davis hit one home run and one of his triples during the eighth inning rally.

The Hawks will host the Norwood Jets at the Southside Playgrounds Saturday afternoon and they visit the Charlotte Bumpers Sunday afternoon. Each game is scheduled to begin at 3:30 o'clock.



Rudy Falls
...contributed 2 hits



Londell McClary
...Rangers star

League Leading Rangers

Rack Eagles, Vikings

The league leading Morris Field Rangers registered two Triple County Semi-Pro Baseball League victories last weekend to run their season record to 24-5.

With manager Herman Thomas utilizing three pitchers in each game, the speedy Rangers whipped the Westside Eagles, 9-2, on Saturday and followed with a 14-1 lambasting of the Monroe Vikings Sunday afternoon.

James Davis, Roger Coleman and Renwick Hall worked three innings each, giving up nine hits and the two earned runs. Davis was the winner, his first triumph against two losses.

Randy Falls, Kevin Staley and Rudy Falls set the offense

sive pace with two hits apiece. Randy stroked a single and a double while Staley was driving out a pair of singles and Rudy a double and a single. Rudy drove home two runs.

The Rangers encountered very little opposition from the Vikings at Harding High School's athletic field Sunday afternoon. Larry Wright gave up two hits and Londell McClary and Kevin Staley allowed one hit each as the three Morris Field hurlers held Monroe to just four safeties. McClary, who is undefeated, picked up his 13th win of the year.

In the meantime, Alfred Thompson and Charley Houston were leading a 14-hit attack against two Viking pitchers. Each hit a home run and a single, and each drove home three teammates.

The Rangers stole five bases and they got on base seven times via base on balls in producing 14 runs with only eight base hits.

This week the Rangers are at Bisco facing the Chargers in a doubleheader Saturday afternoon. They will return to Harding High School's athletic field for a league contest with the B.T. Express Sunday afternoon. Thomas indicates he'll again use three pitchers in each game.

Sunday marks the Ranger's final home appearance during the regular season at Harding.

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Charlotte Hawks	21	6
Hoskins	19	6
Kings Mountain	19	8
Monroe	17	9
Red Birds	17	11
Chiefs	16	8
Norwood	14	12
Bumpers	15	11
Royal Bums	13	14
Bisco	13	14
Trojans	13	14
Albemarle	11	16
B.T. Express	12	16
Morning Grove	7	19
Westside	4	20
Tigers	2	23
Astros	1	25

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For Swim Classes

Registration for fall swim classes will be held beginning August 30 at the McCrorey Branch Y.M.C.A., 3801 Beatties Ford Rd., at 10 a.m.

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