

# AGE WILL BE SERVED



The Bible-reading father of six Camden, N. J., children, Walcott thought, for one fleeting minute, that he had won the world's championship, fame and fortune when he battered Joe Louis from pillar to post in 1947. He puffed Louis' lips, put a mouse under his left eye and knocked him to the canvas twice. Referee Ruby Goldstein, at the end of 15 rounds, cast his vote for Walcott as the new champion. In the mind of Goldstein, a former top lightweight boxer and recognized as New York's best referee, Walcott had beaten Louis. But the two judges felt that Walcott, a bit of a clown in the ring because he jabbed, dropped his hands at his side and shuffled backwards, had not been the aggressor. Above, Louis is shown doing road work in his first big fight — a date with Joe Louis.



Walcott is shown crying in his dressing room after Louis was proclaimed "and still champion". As Walcott wept, a ring-side vote of some 45 boxing writers revealed that two thirds thought Walcott had won clearly. He became "uncrowned champion". His manager protested the decision, but to no avail.

On March 1, 1949 there appeared no chance that Walcott would get a third shot at Louis. That was the day Louis announced his "retirement". On June 22 that year, Ezzard Charles and Walcott met for the National Boxing Association's version of the world's championship in Chicago. Charles won a 15-round decision. When Ezzard met an inept Louis Sept. 27, 1950, he won a clear-cut 15-round decision and New York state's boxing commission agreed with the NBA that Charles was undisputed champ. Last March in Detroit, Charles put his title on the line against Walcott a second time. Charles won. Meanwhile, Walcott campaigned for a fifth title shot. They met in Pittsburgh. The result shows Charles trying to get up at nine. But he couldn't. Walcott said, in effect: "Thank God."

## Mountaineers Open Practice; 65 Reporting

The Mountaineers turned out 65 strong for the first day of football practice yesterday. Beyond a little "letting-down" exercise, however, not much was done other than giving Coach Weatherly and his staff a chance to size up their material.

The coach was somewhat disturbed about an article recently appearing in an Asheville paper that quoted him as saying "The prospects look pretty good." "I didn't say that," said the coach, "and furthermore it will be at least a week before I'll have any idea as to the prospects."

"Eight or nine" lettermen turned out yesterday, but more are expected. Reporting from the junior varsity were 25 players.

Physical examinations will be taken this afternoon by the candidates, and heavy equipment will be issued tomorrow morning. By next week practice will be in full swing in preparation for the first game of the season on September 8th with Valdese here.

## Canton Bears Start Football Practice Today

Coaches Don Hibbs and Boyd Allen of Canton High began drills today in preparation for the 1951 football season. Only a small number of lettermen remain from last year's squad that won the Blue Ridge Conference championship graduation and the new age rule taking 19 of them.

The junior varsity, which was also undefeated last year, is expected to supply many of the gaps in the team, however. The Bears, like Waynesville, have an 11-game schedule, two games of which are against Waynesville. The second game, on Nov. 22, will be played here.

## Jimmy Kuykendall Loses To Former Brooklyn Pitcher

Jimmy Kuykendall, who graduated from Waynesville High, is pitching his arm off with Monaghan Mills of Greenville, S. C. in the Textile League.

Averaging two games a week, Jimmy pitched against a former Brooklyn Dodger Saturday and lost by only one run. At the rate he is going, he will be a Dodger soon himself.

## Log Harvest

Over 75 per cent of the annual log harvest of the Pacific northwest is utilized for lumber and lumber products with the balance going into all other products manufactured from wood, such as pulp and paper, plywood and fibreboard.

## Negro Boy Playing In Carolina League



Percy Miller, Jr. (above) is believed to be the first Negro to play with a southern team in organized baseball. He made his debut last week-end with the Danville (Va.) Leafs, in the Class B Carolina League. The 20-year-old outfielder was a star athlete in a Danville high school from which he was graduated two months ago. (AP Photo).

## Last Year's Winner Will Be Back



Weldon Doe, Jr. is shown here receiving the 1950 Waynesville Country Club Men's Invitation Golf Tournament trophy from Jonathon Woody, Doe, who won medalist honors at the Biltmore tourney in Asheville this week, will be back in Waynesville on August 24 to defend his title.

## SPORTS in BRIEF

By HANK MESSICK

Ray Rainer, the "Pro golf man" at the Country Club told us yesterday that Weldon Doe, Jr., of Montgomery, Ala., is one of the many who have entered the fifth annual Waynesville Country Club Men's Invitation Golf Tournament which begins here on August 24th.

All you golf fans have heard of Weldon Doe. He came out of the blue last year to break Waynesville's three year monopoly of the local title and take the trophy back to Alabama. That isn't all. Just Tuesday he won medal honors in the 27th annual Biltmore-Forest tourney in Asheville, shooting a 138 for the 36 qualifying holes. He's a champ all right, and it is good to know that he'll be back to defend his title.

The list of entries in the tournament is swelling as rapidly as Sugar Ray Robinson's head before his recent defeat in London. Bill Stender, former Southern Champ and now Dixie Champion, will be here from Miami, along with other well known names such as J. C. Ayers, Buddy Morrison, Jimmy Paul, Sam Bucklew, and Bill Ellis. Asheville will be well represented: Al Downton, who shot 144 in the Biltmore qualifying rounds; and J. C. Hytt, are two of the entries.

As Ray Rainer put it: "We'll have a pretty big entry; at least seven flights and probably more."

Officials of the Knee Pants League are having a lot of trouble figuring out the winner. The problem is largely the result of 18 rained out games. E. C. Wagenfeld, president of the league, explained that a meeting of managers will be held as soon as possible to discuss a playoff.

Haywood County is doing pretty well in softball. The defending state champion from Canton, the Champion YMCA, and Welleo Shoe of Hazelwood have both won invitations to the 1951 state softball championship tournament which will be held at Canton. It gets underway next Monday, August 20th. The Y team stands a good chance to repeat this year. So far they've won 43 against 11 losses, and they've played teams from six states. Don't underrate Hazelwood, however.

Our rather indirect, side-of-the-mouth predictions about the big leagues that we made recently, seem to be holding up. If you don't recall, we said that Bob Feller might be the deciding factor in the American League, and that "them bums look mighty hot" in the National.

The Cleveland Indians, with Feller winning several, are now riding a victory train and leading the Yanks by better than two games. The Yanks were ahead when we started out on the limb. As for the "Bums," the Brooklyn Dodgers, are not riding a victory train, it's a "run away train".

We mentioned Sugar Ray Robinson awhile ago. Saw in the papers where he'll get a chance to win back that lightweight title on September 12th. Teh guy that licked

ise it's true. Seems as how a couple of local youths, apparently not quite sober, were looking for excitement. Finally, in some alcoholic fashion, the idea came up and a bet made that one guy's blood was redder than the other. A friend was found to judge, and knives brought out. The sequel: the friend happened to have a copy of Monday's Mountaineer containing this column and its remarks on gambling. The boys read it and decided to cancel the bet and solve the question when next the Bloodmobile came to town.

Anyway, it's a good story.

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We heard an interesting story the other day, but we won't prom-

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Fishing picks up strong late in September, too. It's a good time to mix a little relaxation in with your daily chores... one of our very special advantages of living in North Carolina.

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