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Slants

Speaking Of Baseball

Baseball, the great National pastime, is off to a good start in dear old Person this Spring. High school teams have already inaugurated their schedules and boys are playing with the horsehide with more vim and vigor than in many a year.

Roxboro High and several others in this county are re-summing baseball after a lapse of several years and the officials are to be congratulated in their efforts to give the boys this form of organized recreation in the Spring, a time of the year when it's needed possibly more than any other.

Prospects Look Bright

If things look bright for high school baseball the same is true in the sandlot and semi-pro ranks. Ca-Vel, always a hot baseball center, East Roxboro and others have already begun to organize for the approaching season. We haven't heard anything from Longhurst yet but that community is sure to have its usual strong contender and its rivalry with Ca-Vel is sure to rage warmer than ever, as the heat of the summer begins to bear down and throwing arms loosen up.

For Young And Old

On still another level of competition, B B. Knight and the local Legion post are sponsoring Legion baseball in the county for boys under 18 and this division will make its bid for the interest of Mr. Fan this summer for the first time. All in all, it looks like there'll be plenty of baseball for the discriminating enthusiast before the summer finally fades away into the football days of tatumn.

Follow The Ball

Good news this week is the announcement that seven holes are absolutely ready for playing on the Country Club golf course at Loch Lilly. This afternoon will probably see several golfers on the course enjoying the bright Spring sunshine and walking after the little white ball which has made more than one good man go wrong. Soon the final two holes will be ready and a dream of many of us will be a reality.

Exhibitions

Those who have a yen to see some of the major leagues in action this spring will have that opportunity next Sunday and Monday in the neighboring Bull City. Cincinnati's Reds and Boston's Red Sox will play an exhibition in Durham Athletic park on Sunday afternoon, Easter, while Connie Mack's Athletics will meet Duke's slugging powerhouse at Duke park on Easter Monday. Both events are sure to attract capacity crowds, with large numbers from here probably journeying over for each contest. The big league teams have a habit of putting on pretty good shows in Durham and fans may expect some pretty good baseball on these two days.

Time Will Tell

About the only thing that hasn't been mentioned in today's column is the little game called tennis, whose supporters in Roxboro probably number nearly as many as any other sport. Last Sunday the boys swarmed the courts for the first time this year and the enthusiasm was as high as ever. "You're Genius" Thompson still talks the best game in town and may wind up the season as self-proclaimed champion. Barden Winstead, who'll do quite a bit of starring for the High School courtsters this spring, dropped a hint to this writer that Thompson would probably be just a breeze to him this summer but for the present he was keeping quiet. Time will tell.

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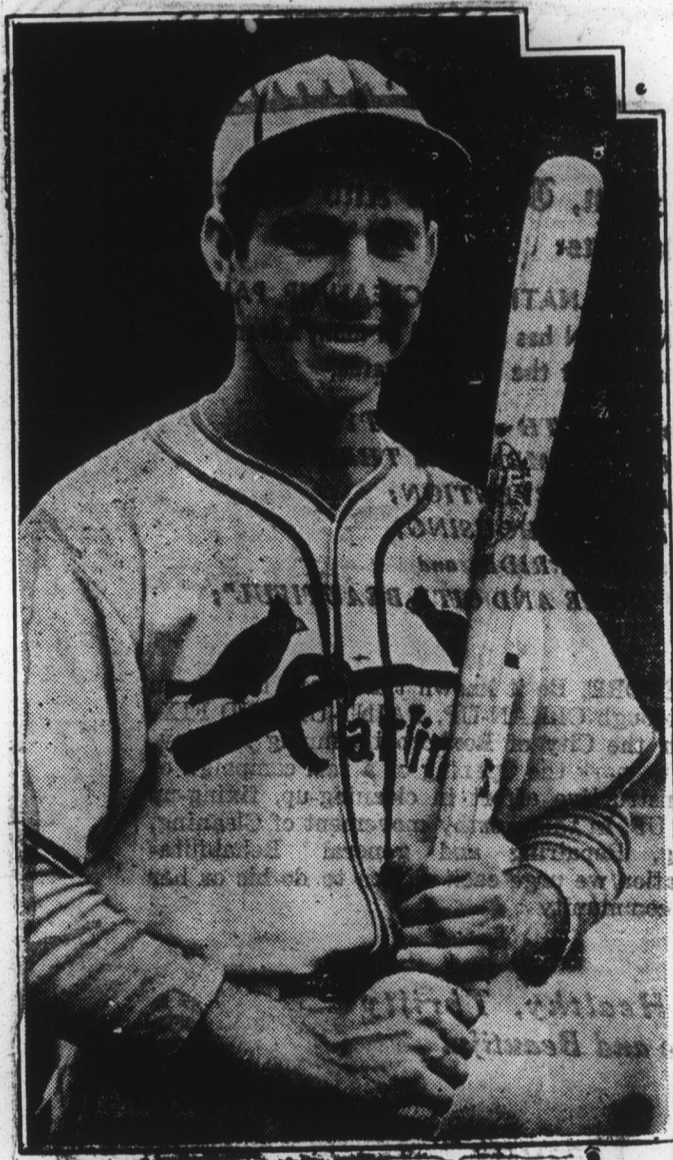
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SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 1939

Ramblers Win Contest From Mt. Tirzah 5-4

Cardinals Rejoice As Enos Clouts Hard In Exhibitions



There's rejoicing in the camp of the St. Louis Cardinals. The reason is the way Enos Slaughter is pounding the ball.

Slaughter, who came up to the Cardinals last season and was the club's regular rightfielder, started slowly this spring. But in his last four games the chunky North Carolina fly hawk, belted seven hits, among them two home runs, a triple and a double.

Slaughter played a major role in the Cardinals' 4-1 victory over the New York Yankees to square the city series at three-all as he walloped a home run over the right field fence and hit two singles.

Slaughter's hitting and the con-

tinued fine fielding and batting of Joe Oringo, rookie shortstop, have been the highlights of the Cardinals' play and have had much to do with keeping the Cards up near the top of the Grapefruit league. Their record is nine wins in 15 games.

The closing game of the city series produced two fine pitching exhibitions by Bob Bowman, a righthander, and Southpaw Clyde Shoun. They held the Yankee sluggers to four hits, all singles.

The Gas-Housers belted Monte Pierson and Red Ruffing, two of the Yankee mainstays, for 11 blows. One of these hits was Joe Medwick's first blow of the season, a single.

DIXON, HOLEMAN HIT HARD IN SEASON OPENER

Roxboro high school's baseball Ramblers inaugurated the 1939 season with a 5-4 victory over Mt. Tirzah on the latter's diamond Friday afternoon.

Elsie Taylor, Roxboro righthander, did the tossing for the Ramblers and gave up only three hits during the encounter.

Lawrence Holeman, lanky centerfielder for the Roxboro team clouted a homer on his first trip to the plate in the first inning, putting the locals off to a good start.

Luther Dixon, reserve second baseman who started the game Friday also banged out a triple on his first trip to the rubber in the first frame, scoring a few minutes later on a single by Taylor. Dixon also knocked in two runs in the fourth inning with a steaming double when the score was 4-2 against the Ramblers.

Mt. Tirzah scored three of their runs on an error by Roxboro's Whitfield in right field in the second. Their final tally came in the third.

Buddy Clayton, starting the game at first base, turned in a creditable game afield as did Henry Yarborough, catcher.

FAMOUS DETECTIVE DIES

London, England—Sir Basil Thomas, one of the world's greatest criminologists and for years head of the Criminal In-

Shotwell Leaves For Trial With Farm Team Of Bees

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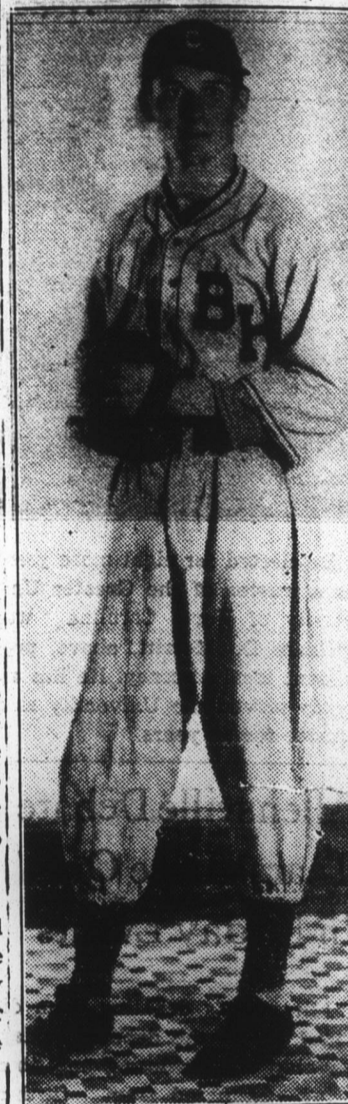
Sam Shotwell, ace of the Bethel Hill mound staff, who struck out 19 men in a Class C. game against Littleton some time ago, left this week for Cooleemee to try out for the Boston Bee's farm team of that town.

The 19 year old star pitcher, who is also not bad as a hitter, has been approached a number of times since he led the Hilltoppers to a runner-up position in the Class B. race last year. Continued pressure by professional scouts, it is believed, is largely responsible for the lanky youth's decision to give the pro game a trial.

The local youth was spotted by Blackie Carter, who has had his eye on the boy for several months. Cooleemee is a Class D professional team in the Boston Bee's farm system.

Should Shotwell be unable to make the grade, it is believed, he will probably be back with the Hilltoppers within a week or two and may possibly lead his former mates in another championship campaign.

Investigation Division of Scotland Yard, is dead at 77. He wrote many books, including a history of the famous "Yard", center of Britain's National Detective organization.



SAM SHOTWELL

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Wednesday, April 5 Ken Murray - Johnny Downs - Kathryn ("Sugar") Kane - Eddie Quillan - Ernest Truex - Ted Weems and his Orchestra, in "Swing, Sister, Swing" (First Run)

Small town kids - but when they started to step they set the whole world on its ear! Broadway Brevity: "Murder with Reservations" Morning Show 10:30; afternoon 3:15-3:45; Adm. 10.25c; evening 7:15-9:00. Adm. 10.25c. (Tax Included)

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