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PERSON SPORTS SLANTS

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Sporting Doldrums

The awkward age of the sports season is with us now sure enough. Out in Cincinnati they have been talking baseball, and giving our neighbor's Mr. Bramham a boost in salary for his work as boss of Minor leagues in the game. And here at home, in Person county, a group of baseball minded boys have been staging a "Hillbilly" musical show as a benefit performance in order to make money so that they (the boys) can buy bats and balls and suits to start the oncoming season in good style.

Football, except for chatter about the Rose Bowl and all the little bowls, is out of conversation now. Instead, local talk centers on hunting luck and on the sporting values of this or that dog. In Roxboro there was a re-consecration to football on Thursday night when Dr. and Mrs. Merritt, according to long-standing custom, acted as host and hostess to the Bethel Hill gridironers, but that dinner was just a flareup, along side last month's football frenzy.

The notes just written are random observations. Why not look at a daily sports page to see if the in-between season fairs any better there?

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Here's The Page

First, there is a story of a Friday afternoon post-season contest between Littleton and Warrenton. Our Ramblers know both these teams, and so we pass on. In another corner is a black-faced story (type and printer's ink) about Harry Dunkle, the Carolina man who was injured in the Carolina-Virginia Thanksgiving day fracas. Harry lives in Lock Haven, wherever that is, and is reported to be, as they say, "Getting along nicely." A small item at the bottom of the page relates the result of a basketball game between the Goldsboro "All Stars" and a Williamston team. Another story, a little longer, deals with the Cary softball team, and here is something—

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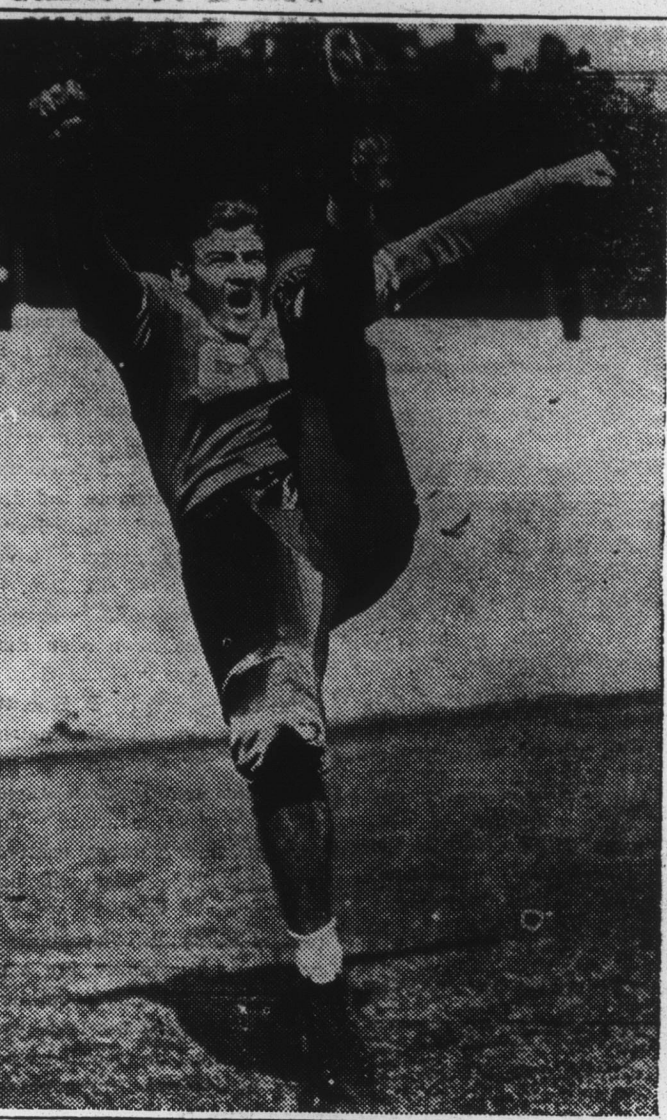
"Roxboro's Bob Whitten"

The rest of the line, in a story concerned with the past history of the Freshman team at Carolina, says Whitten is "the finest pivot candidate". In Smith Barrier's opinion, Roxboro's "Bob" is the only "pivot man of importance", and then he recites what some of the home folks know, that Whitten "has played practically all the time (at Carolina) at center, although he was a backfield man while in high school at Roxboro". And getting personal, Barrier says, "He weighs 202".

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And Now For Another Stop At Home

Last week, so reports went, Enos Slaughter came back to town and said that he and Manager Branch Rickey had let a little thing like a salary difference of \$500 stand between them and a springtime agreement. However, as given out in the papers, Slaughter has declared that he will not be a hold-out. If he has to be a holdout it is to be hoped that like Wesley and Rick Farrell, he has enough cold cash salted away to last til ground-hog day. When a man knows he is good, and maybe Enos should feel that way about himself, he can't be blamed if he does want all he can get, while the getting is good.



GEORGE MCAFEE

McAfee, outstanding Duke back, won a berth on the second string All-American announced Saturday morning. Southern representatives from Texas A. and M., Baylor, Louisiana State and Tennessee kept him company.

CHAPEL PROGRAM

Featured by talks by H. C. Kynoch, of Roxboro, and by Dr. Walter Wilkins, of Raleigh, two chapel periods were enjoyed during the past week by students attending Bethel Hill school. Mr. Kynoch, who spoke Monday, discussed the publishing of large daily newspapers, and Dr. Wilkins, of the state department of education and health, who spoke Thursday, outlined a practical good health program for students to follow.

DR. CARL WHITE GIVEN ILLINOIS LIBRARY POST

Champaign, Ill. — Appointment of Dr. Carl M. White, of Chapel Hill, N. C., as director of the University of Illinois library school was announced Thursday. Dr. White now holds a similar position at the University of North Carolina. He will assume his new duties September 1, succeeding Phineas L. Windsor, who will retire.

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BASKETBALL TO BEGIN AT ELON

Elon Collen, N. C., Dec. 9 — A squad from which only one varsity man of last year is missing today ended the first week of basketball practice at Elon college under the direction of Coach Horace Hendrickson.

Approximately 20 candidates have survived the early work and are being readied by Coach Hendrickson for the initial game of the season next Friday night with Morris-Harvey college, of Charleston, W. Va., here on the Elon floor.

Captain Lloyd Whitley, Jack Gardner, John Henry Pearce Lincoln Manzi and Max Zyvith are varsity men returning. Zyvith took the place of Whitley who was injured early in the season last year. The only man lost by graduation was Ike Fesmire who captained the five last winter.

In addition to the five veterans of last year who apparently will form the first five this season there are W. L. Hobson, and Douglas Moss, lettermen, and Isidore Kravitz, Claude Lawrence and R. D. Apple of the reserve list returning.

Other candidates remaining on the squad at present are Ed Potter, Preston Towns, Ray Cassna, Walter Kughn, Kenneth Beaman, Joe Tomanchek, Bernie Askin, Johnny Clayton, Sid Krukin and Tom Russell.

Apparently Whitley, Gardner, Manzi, Zyvith and Pearce will form the first five, giving Hendrickson an experienced combination with which to work. Whitley is a senior, Pearce is a junior and the other three are sophomores! Gardner was all-North State conference his freshman season.

The second five at present is composed of Potter, Cassna, Hobson, Moss and Towns. Of the group, Towns, six foot six inch center, has been especially outstanding. Towns, incidentally is a brother of the Olympic hurdler, Spec Towns who is now coaching at Georgia. Potter is a junior, Cassna and Towns, are Freshmen and Moss and Hobson, sophomores.



Severin, North Carolina End, was chosen last week as a member of the number one 1939 All-American, and the only Tar Heel representative on it.

Bethel Hill Boys Are Dinner Guests

With more than 30 people present, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Merritt, of Bethel Hill, gave their annual banquet for the members of the Bethel Hill high school football squad Thursday night at the Hotel Roxboro. Dinner was served at 7:30 o'clock and chief speaker was Dr. Merritt's brother, the Hon. W. D. Merritt, prominent Roxboro attorney.

Mr. Merritt, who is dean of the local bar and an alumnus of the University of North Carolina, was an active participant in football during his student days and his talk was devoted to reminiscences of football as he knew it then and as he knows it today. He also paid tribute to the honor guests of the evening.

Members of the football team presented a gift to Dr. and Mrs. Merritt and before the address by Mr. Merritt was delivered, the chairman called upon Mrs. Merritt, who spoke a few words of welcome to the guests and praised them for their good teamwork exhibited during the past year.

BASKETBALL AT GYM

The Roxboro Ramblers will engage the Allensville high team in the local gymnasium Wednesday afternoon. This is to be a practice game.

equipment. But Garbo's charm is different. I can honestly say that the whole setup of 'Ninotchka' with Garbo and with Ernst Lubitsch directing was one of my happiest experiences. Only too often pictures are a darned bore. The material is sometimes uninteresting and hence any interest is in the personalities. But in 'Ninotchka' the material was as interesting as the personalities."

Garbo A Real Trouper, Says Leading Man

"The first impression I got of Garbo was that, to a greater degree than many other actresses, she is thoroughly workmanlike."

So declares one of the four actors who have played opposite her more than once, Melvyn Douglas, who plays her lover in her first modern, gay, sophisticated romantic comedy, "Ninotchka," coming to the Palace theatre tomorrow and Tuesday. Douglas first received this impression when he played opposite Garbo in "As You Desire Me."

Garbo, through the eyes of her leading man, is a creature of charm and thoroughness.

"She is very charming and very gracious," he said. "Of course, all actresses who play romantic roles have charm. It's part of their

Palace Theatre Monday - Tuesday, Dec. 11-12

GARBO LAUGHS

Afternoons Daily 3:15-3:45; Admission 10-25c; Evenings Daily 7:15-9:00; Admission 10-30c

DOLLY MADISON THEATRE Monday - Tuesday, Dec. 11-12

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