



# PERSON SPORTS SLANTS

By J. S. MERRITT

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## Claud's The Boy . . . . .

Reports are now rapidly coming in from the northern neck of the woods about a local baseball player who is just about the making of a club at York, Pa. The man of the hour is none other than Claud Wilborn, hard-hitting, fine fielding chap who hails from the Bethel Hill way. For several years now Claud has been playing ball here with the local Collins and Aikman corporation team and also, for a short time, with another club in the state. This season he was called by the northern team and by releases coming in we think they are a lot more than just pleased.

For some time this club had been in a slump, but with Wilborn's effectiveness at bat they seem much more confident and every members is playing better ball. Now they are in a winning streak. In two recent games Claud went to bat nine times and got five safe blows; the safeties being three homers and two doubles. In less than a month this boy secured 10 circuit clouts and his average is well over .300.

A report from York yesterday has this to say: "Last week, Mr. Quinn, the manager of the Boston Bees saw him play in a double-header and Claud got three hits out of four times up in the first encounter and three hits out of five times to bat in the nightcap. Quinn instructed the York manager to send Wilborn up to Boston at the end of the season for further trial.

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## Watch Out, Parachutists . . . . .

During World War I, the marksmanship of U. S. soldiers amazed Europeans. Should the U. S. be invaded during World War II, enemy parachutists may have more than U. S. soldiers to reckon with. Sprinkled all over the country is an army of 100,000 amateur sharpshooters (20 percent of them women and children), developed in the past decade on the skeet fields of U. S. country clubs.

Had a fifth columnist been at Syracuse, N. Y. recently, he might well have been uneasy. There, at the Onondaga Skeet Club, 270 sharp shots met in the sixth annual tournament of the National Skeet Shooting Association. First crack out of the box, in the 28-gauge event, two youngsters — 15-year-old Bobby Parker and 18-year-old Dick Shaughnessy — after tying three other contestants (at 99 out of 100) fought a breath-taking, shoulder-to-shoulder duel for five 25-bird shoot-offs before Parker finally missed a bird. It was the longest shoot-off witnessed on any skeet field since the sport was invented 14 years ago.

"All you have to do to win a national championship," muttered one disgruntled also-ran, "is shoot 100 straight in the match and another 100 straight in the shoot-off—after which you're knotted with six other guys. As the week wore on, it seemed almost so. Even the women began to make perfect scores like child's play. First, Mrs. M. L. Smythe a 96-lb. Aurora, Ohio housewife, broke 100 straight—the first century ever chalked up by a woman in a national skeet tournament. Then, 19-year-old Patricia Laursen, a Rollins College junior often called America's most beautiful athlete, scored another.

In the 250-target, all-gauge championship, main event of the tournament (all others are at 100 birds), another precedent came perilously close to being smashed. Entering the 50-target final round, Miss Laursen was tied with three men at 199 x 200 (99 in her first round, 100 straight in her second), just one shot behind Perfect Marksman Dick Shaughnessy and Charles Pouillon. But at the final 50, Miss Laursen got jittery, wound up with 246 x 250, had to be content with the women's championship (for the third year in a row).

In that nerve-racking last round, even dead-eyed Dick Shaughnessy bobbed one, finished in a three-way tie (at 249 x 250) with F. S. Hawkins, Dallas druggist, and Alex Kerr, Los Angeles sportsman. After two shoot-offs, Dick finally shook off his rivals, was crowned national all-gauge champion, skeet No. 1 title.

Dick Shaughnessy is known as bit of a miracle. Nine months after he shouldered his first shotgun, he smashed 313 consecutive birds in recognized skeet tournaments. The following year, at 14, he flooded the skeet fraternity by winning the national all-gauge championship with 248 out of 250. Since then, he has won more titles than any other skeeter. Last year he averaged .9910 out of 1,000 in tournament shoots, highest average ever recorded. No. one has ever bettered his long-run record: 564 straight targets.

## OPEN FORUM

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populate hell. We work against some, heaven and purity.

"We are a success. Glance at our record in the United States: 160,000 persons drop into a drunkard's grove every year; 50,000 are suicides, 10,000 babies less than a week old are murdered, and 60,000 who are never born are murdered, 60,000 mothers' girls die each year as prostitutes, 50,000 mothers' girls are seduced every year. Last year there was an increase of 3,900 murders and homicides and 3,000 suicides.

Give us your patronage through your vote. Send us your boys and girls; we will do the rest.

Yours in cooperation against God and Heaven,

The Devil and The Liquor Business" (Quoted from the "Biblical Recorder" by Mrs. J. H. Merritt, of Woodsdale.)

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# SPORTS OF THE TIMES

Up-to-the-Minute Sport News Solicited

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 1940



Jim "Sweet" Lelanne, who is showing the members of the Coaching school, now in progress at the University of North Carolina, how to pass. He is the Tar Heels ace quarterback and a triple-threat man.

## Western Auto Downs Rinks

In a hard-fought game which had to be carried into an extra inning yesterday, the strong Western Auto softball team defeated the Rinkadinks by a score of 9 to 8. Clyde Short, manager of the Western Auto aggregation, was the winning pitcher and Clarence Holeman and Flint Oliver, whose power at the plate, proved very effective, took batting honors. Lawrence (Gus) Holeman, of the Rinkadinks, got two home runs for three trips to the plate.

## Presbyterian Church

J. M. Walker, Pastor.

9:45 a. m. - Sunday School, Thomas Dixon, superintendent.

11:00 a. m. - Morning Worship, "The Christian Triad, Faith, Hope and Love—Faith"

6:45 p. m. - Young Peoples' Meeting.

A welcome is extended to all worshippers.

## Long Memorial Methodist Church

W. C. Martin, Pastor.

9:45 a. m. - Church School, F. O. Carver, Jr., Supt.

11:00 a. m. - Morning Worship, sermon by the pastor, subject: "The Victory of Faith."

8:00 p. m. - Evening Worship, the pastor will preach on "The Compassion of Jesus."

A cordial welcome will be found at Long Memorial.

## First Baptist Church

9:45 a. m. - Bible School.

11:00 a. m. - Preaching - "The Glory of the Impossible."

The B. T. U. will not meet.

There will be no evening worship service.

W. F. West, Pastor.

## AERIAL GAME TALK IS DELIVERED BY FOOTBALL COACH

By EDWARD V. MITCHELL

Chapel Hill — Forward passing in football and the forward march against possible aggression on this nation were blended Monday as the University of North Carolina opened its 19th annual Coaching School, with something more than 100 college and high school coaches on hand.

It was director of Athletics Robert A. Fetzer who formally opened the school and called attention of the coaches to the opportunity they had to make something out of the young fellows they are coaching. Raymond Wolf, head football coach at the university, delivered the dissertation on forward passing.

Coach Fetzer emphasized that the main idea in college athletics wasn't to win, but to mold youth into manhood capable of doing bigger and better things. He said the athletic field is simply a laboratory of character building, where the qualities of true sportsmanship, a competitive spirit that inspires an athlete to give the best he has and a determination to do a little better the next time are far more important than victories.

Coach Wolf got right down to the business at hand in his talk on the forward pass. He hasn't any illusions about the aerial game being a panacea for the ills of a football team. Mr. Wolf has played quite some baseball. He knows that the only way to get by is to mix them up. That's the way he views football.

"You have to have a good running attack and a good passing attack," he said, "in order to put out a successful football team. Although a forward passing attack may be a big part of your football, you can't get along with just an air game, it is necessary to have both. A running attack will set up a passing attack and vice versa."

Everything depends upon a passer in an aerial attack, according to the Carolina coach. He brought

out that there is a difference between a chunker and a passer.

"Boys who are good passers are born not made," he stated. "You can take a good passer and coach him and improve upon him, but you cannot make a passer out of a boy who is nothing more than a chunker," he continued.

Wolf also told the coaches that saving of time on passes was essential and stressed the fact that a good pass from the center was necessary in getting off passes.

"Your passer also must use his head," he stated. "There are times when it is better to lose 15 yards and hold on to the ball than to make a wild pass and run the risk of having the ball intercepted."

Pass defense was also touched upon before Wolf finished his talk. He said the best defense against a passing attack was a good rushing team.

Sixteen states are represented at the school, North and South Carolina, Florida, West Virginia, Rhode Island, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, New York, Maryland, Ohio, Virginia, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee and Maine. Sessions of the school will continue through Thursday week, Aug. 29.

## Boulware Breaks Country Club Low Set By Bud Beam

Sidney Boulware, caddie master at the Country Club, set a new record Sunday on the local course by shooting an eighteen-hole round for a total score of 70. He shot a 35 on each nine-hole round.

This is the first time that any-



COACH RAYMOND WOLF

Raymond Wolf, Coach of the University's Tar Heels, is instructing coaches from 16 different states at the annual Coaching school at Chapel Hill. Forward passing is what he opened the discussion with.

one has parred the local course. The score which Boulware broke was a 77, made by Gather Beam, Jr., of Louisburg.

Boulware secured two birdies during the match, one at No. 9 during the first round and the other at No. 7 during the second round. Other members of a foursome were E. E. Bradsher, Jr., Sam Oliver and John Long.

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