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## BASKETBALL BELLES

The Gracelyn center took the referee's throw calmly, tossed the ball to one of her forwards who broke at the instant the referee tossed the ball; the forward made a quick reverse pivot and fed the center, who came breezing down the middle for an easy lay-up shot. It was a perfect working of the so called "trailer" play, and its swiftness left the crowd ast. Bill Burns squirmed; that play made his new defence look pretty sick.

Now it was Glendale's turn to receive the ball in the center circle. Glendale's plucky but inexperienced little forward, Mears, nervously waited for the throw from the referee. Throw was made the Glendale forwards instead of breaking as they had been taught stood in their positions as if they were frozen. Indeed, the huge crowd, the pressure that was upon them had temporarily paralyzed them. The referee's whistle broke the tension.

"You're holding the ball too long" barked the ref.

Glendale had lost the ball. Gracelyn was awarded the ball out of bounds. A diagonal pass across the court, followed by a long set shot from a different position near the sideline made the score 4-0 Gracelyn. The stands groaned as they saw the home team looking so badly. They had heard that the first team had quit, but they had come out of loyalty hoping that by some miracle they might have a winning team. Just now it looked as if the home team might be going to take a licking at the hands of a hated rival.

On the next play, Glendale received the ball. This time the nervousness had worn off a bit the forwards broke, short swift accurate passes took them through the Gracelyn defence where Mears laying up a short shot a little too hard saw an opposing guard bound into the air, retrieve the ball and whip it all the way across the center line to one of her forwards. A long shot was attempted but in the scramble under the basket the ball was tapped in making the score 6-0 in favor of Gracelyn. Through the stands could be heard the beginnings of a chant, "We want Marlowe" We want Marlowe". Bill Burns sank a little lower on the bench and concentrated grimly on the play that was taking place on the court. His team was receiving some bad breaks; did they have the guts to come back? His team was settling down. The zone defence had suddenly become effective and the Gracelyn forwards were unable to work the ball into scoring position. However a few lucky long shots was keeping the score mounting for the opposing team, while the Glendale forwards just couldn't seem to get going. At the end of what seemed to Bill Burns the longest eight minutes he had ever experienced, the first quarter came to a close with Gracelyn leading by a score of 12-3. All the Glendale scoring had been done via of the three throw route.

As the team gathered in a huddle on the court during rest period, Bill watched them anxiously. The way they acted to an unfavorable score would either make or break them as ball players. If they should give up now, there was little hope that they would ever make a worthy team. Suddenly his tense features relaxed in a smile. One of his players catching the worried expression on his face cheerily held up two fingers with the V for Victory salute. He had to admit they had pluck. The scorer's horn sounded the beginning of the second quarter.

Gracelyn now appeared very confident, almost cocky. Consequently, their play suffered and the Glendale team doing nothing spectacular began bringing the score up more respectable proportions. Midway of the second quarter the score was 18-12 in favor of the opposing team. Then the Glendale guards became a little over zealous and Gracelyn had settled down wonderfully after dismal beginning scored twice on fast breaks to make the score 22 to 16 as the timers horn sounded indicating the half.

When the team assembled with coach Burns to talk things over at the half, they seemed to be full of confidence that since they had conquered their crowd fright that things would be alright. Bill cautioned the girls not to become too anxious and commit too many

fouls. Then he urged the guards to stick to their zones unless Gracelyn should be ahead in the final minutes of play. If that should be the case he told the guards they would have to play man to man very aggressively. The forwards were reminded that they must fast break, and that they must continue to work for rebounds.

All too soon, ten minutes had passed. Again the whistle sounded, and the two teams rested and eagerly entered the contest with determination. It was now nip and tuck first one team would score and then the other. Spectacular play marked the second quarter, beautiful passing mixed with an occasional "bon-head" play that only added to the zest of the occasion. The stands were a riot of excitement, and the rival cheering sections kept a constant uproar. The third quarter ended. Glendale now trailed her adversary by five points 30-25. Bill Burns felt as if ten years had been taken from his life.

Now it was the whistle beginning the fourth quarter. Both teams were going all-out. Fans were seeing one of the best games ever played in the local gym. The five point margin that Gracelyn had loomed larger as time began to run out. Three and one half minutes left to play. Bill Burns looked down the bench. Suddenly making up his mind, he called, "Come here Rosa." (Will Rosa get into action? What will be the result? Time and next week's installment will tell.)

### Sports Chatter

By GENE BYRD

It seems that my printing of the partial team of the Philadelphia Athletic of 1930 and 1931 stirred up some little interest. It came to me that Max Bishop was the second baseman in that outfit. Sometime later, I was walking down the street, and Dr. Morse whom I hadn't known as a sport fan, but who evidently is, called to me and told me that Bishop was the second baseman. We are still a little uncertain about the shortstop, but I believe it to have been Joe Boley. That left us with an outfielder to locate. Dr. Kirkpatrick at the Black Mountain Drug Store came to our aid by informing us that "Bing" Miller completed the outfield trio of Al Simmons and Mule Haas.

George Wrenn is optimistic over the possibilities of getting up a softball team to represent the Friendship Chapel in the local softball league. This would help to stir up keener competition, and we would welcome their entry.

Our entry in the Moore General League suffered a rather irritating incident on Thursday night of this past week. They gathered at six o'clock all set to play the Post Engineers. They waited a long time; a few of the Engineers showed up, but the members of the Moore General baseball team were being held up in an extra inning game over at Enka. Incidentally, the referees were away with the team too. So there they were. At seven o'clock the baseball team returned, but it was a little too late to play ball then. Manager Bill Rudisill says that he is going to claim a forfeit. It will be interesting to see what the league commissioners say about the claim.

Some fans are beginning to say that Asheville has one of the best clubs that it has had since the days of Ray Kennedy, Dusty Cook, Ben Chapman and Company. Speaking of the tourists of the old days, Speedy Spiers was the manager of the 1930 club and was noted for a sense of humor. A group of pitchers were warming up near him one day, when "Buck" Greene then pitching for the tourists let loose a wild one that took the skipper on the shin. He looked up at Marty Baylin, another tourist pitcher, yelped "I didn't throw it Speedy. Spiers replied with scorn, "Yeah, I know you didn't throw it Marty. It hurt."

ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S SPORT QUIZ:  
The Gipper was George Gipp famous Notre Dame back of the 1920's. Knute Rockne used to inspire his team by saying, "Let's win this one for the Gipper."  
2. Indian Joe was Joe Guyon a famous backfield star at Georgia Tech who later became a professional baseball player. And manager of the Asheville Tourists.

## THE BLACK MOUNTAIN NEWS

### PERSONALS--LOCAL NEWS

John H. McMurray was married May 21 in Lynchburg Va. He is on terminal leave from the U. S. navy, having served three and one half years, two and a half years of which was on the cruiser San Juan in the Pacific.

The bride and groom left last Friday for Washington, D. C. where the groom will enter Geo. Washington University to study law.

He graduated from Presbyterian College at Clinton, S. C. His naval training was obtained at Columbia University and Annapolis.

Miss Iris Willis recently returned from a short visit with relatives in Columbia, S. C. Miss Willis is a member of the grammar school faculty.

The Misses Lucy and Mary Dee Baily of Burnsville, N. C. were recent guests of E. V. Gouge and family.

Mrs. Franklin Spencer, her two sons Frankie and Tommy, were week-end guests of her parents, the Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Baucom. Mrs. Spencer, who resides in Raleigh, N.C. is a pianist and teacher of note.

Miss Doris Oates of Chestnut Hill, N. C. spent the past week as a visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Holcombe.

Mrs. H. F. Peacock left Tuesday for her home in Louisville, Ky. She will be accompanied by her sons David and Bill. Mrs. Baucom, Mrs. Peacock's mother will accompany them to Louisville, and will return to Black Mountain on Thursday.

Paul Harris Jr. of Ridgecrest is home on a fifteen day leave. His brother Norman, is also home for the summer having received a discharge. He will likely enter either Duke or Carolina this fall.

Pete Brittain and Irvin Willis are home after an extended visit to St. Augustine and Jacksonville, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Stepp were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Moore during the past week. Mr. and Mrs. Stepp are now enroute to Long Beach, California where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Pitman of Barnesville, N. C. will arrive tomorrow to spend ten days at their cabin on the Mt. Mitchell Road. They will be accompanied by their daughters Betty Joe and Martha. Betty Joe is to attend school at Mars Hill this summer. Mrs. Pitman and Mrs. H. W. Baucom of Black Mountain are sisters.

Mrs. Clayton of Atlanta, Ga. spent last week-end with her mother Mrs. Charlie Shumate. Mrs. Spent last week-end with her mother Mrs. Charlie Shumate. Mrs. Goolsby was accompanied by her daughter, Betty, who is to be a member of the staff at Ridgecrest this summer.

3. Double X of course was Jimmy Fox, now a coach with the Philadelphia Phillies.

4. The Fordham Flash was Frankie Frisch, erstwhile N. Y. and St. Louis second baseman and now manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates. (Incidentally, 'tis rumored that he might be on his way out.

5. Iron man Joe McGinnity for his endurance as a baseball pitcher.

6. Rapid Robert is of course Bob Feller.

7. Columbia Lou... Lou Gehrig who attended Columbia

8. Jersey Joe... Joe Stripp, one time great third baseman.

9. Alabama Joe... Joe Sewell great infielder and brother of Luke Sewell.

10. The Yankee Clipper... Joe DiMaggio.

...THIS WEEK'S SPORT QUIZ... What positions did these men play?

- 1. Hank Gowdy.
- 2. Frank Chance.
- 3. Tris Speaker.
- 4. "Home Run" Baker.
- 5. Nap LaJoie.
- 6. Honus Wagner.
- 7. Chief Bender.
- 8. Wally Pipp.
- 9. Herb Pennock.
- 10. Bob Meusel.

SEND IN YOUR NEWS Have You Subscribed

Mr. J. Patton Odom, of Honolulu, son of Mrs. J. B. Williams of Black Mountain has arrived in this town for a brief vacation. Mr. Odom is visiting his mother Mrs. Williams, a sister, Mrs. Sally Allison and a brother Mr. Chas. Arnette all of this town, and Mrs. William Arnette of Swannanoa. On his arrival in the states Mr. Odom spent a few days in Muscatine, Iowa visiting two sisters, Mrs. W. O. Calloway and Mrs. Frank Joyner of that city. Mr. Odom has been a resident of years.

James Berry Williams A.M.M. 1st. C. USN. now stationed in San Diego, Cal. and Miss Rosalie Stropes of Muscatine Iowa, were married May 10, 1946.

The ceremony was performed in Iowa City, Iowa. Berry Williams is a native of Black Mountain.

Captain and Mrs. Richard Bryson and two daughters from Fort Dix New Jersey are visiting at the home of Mrs. Jesse Barnett, Mrs. Bryson's mother.

The Lucy Wright Circle of the Baptist church met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. W. Shumate on the Ridgecrest Road. The program was in charge of Mrs. J. A. Marshburn and she discussed the second chapter of the book, "Community Missions." The circle is planning to send a box of clothing to the mission fields in Yugo-Slavia where the need is so great.

Kermit Allison and W. E. Vernon, Jr. who are attending Tri State College, Angola Indiana are spending a few days at home. They will return to school Monday as the summer term begins Tuesday morning.

Bill Hinkle, former employee at the bus station in Black Mountain has been ill at his home. We are glad to hear that he is much better now.

Paul Vernon who is in the naval reserve has recently been promoted to S. 1st class and is now with the naval Air Station Moffett Field, California, having been transferred from Oakland, Calif.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Grady Shope of Route 2 of Asheville have returned home from New Jersey where they have been visiting their son Mack who is in the army. Rev. Shope is pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle in Swannanoa.

Miss Kathlee Blevins who has been a patient at W.N.C. San. for the past three years is being discharged next week. She will return to her home near Boone North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Clark of Black Mountain, Rt. 1 announce the birth of a son, Phillip H. Clark May 19 at Mission Hospital in Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Frady and son Bryan visited in Barnardsville, N. C. last Sunday. They visited an aunt, uncle, and cousin of Mrs. Frady.

### Southern Railway Puts On More Passenger Trains

The Southern Railway announced today that, effective June 1 to 4 it will restore twelve passenger trains which were discontinued on May 10 in compliance with ODT General Order No. 60, which required a 25 per cent reduction, on that date, in the total daily mileage of coal-burning passenger service locomotives because of the coal miner's strike.

Operating on schedules which were in effect prior to May 10, the restored passenger trains will leave their originating terminals on the following dates:

Trains No. 43-44, Birmingham-Cincinnati, will leave Birmingham and Cincinnati on June 2 trains No. 11 and 12, Birmingham-Atlanta, will leave Birmingham and Atlanta on June 1; train No. 7, 14, Richmond-Danville, Va. will leave Richmond and Danville on June 3; trains No. 11 and 12, Columbia-Charleston, S. C., will leave Charleston on June 3; and Columbia on June 4; trains No. 12-15 Charlotte-Statesville, N. C. will leave Charlotte and Statesville on June 3; and trains 111 and 112, Greensboro and Goldsboro, N. C. will leave on June 3.

Coincident with the restoration of these trains, the following sleepers (Continued on page 8)

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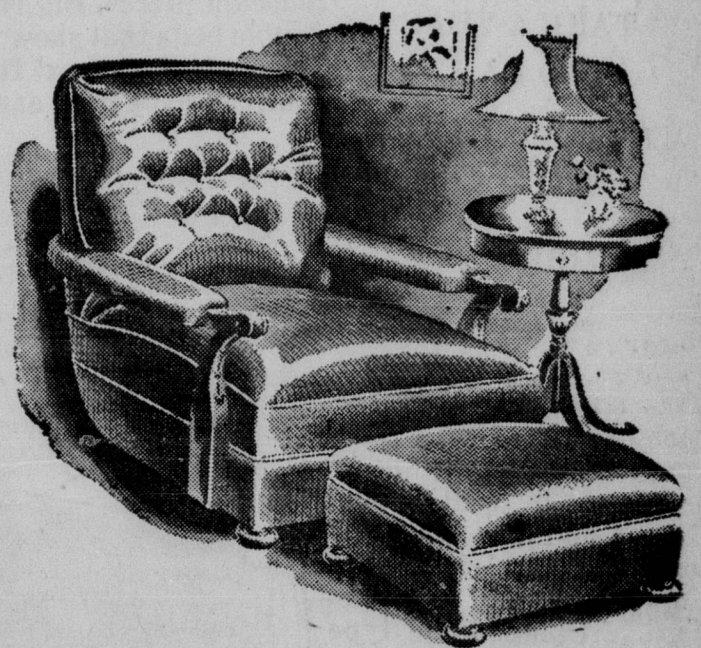
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- Talking To Mother..... Whitey and Hogan
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- Honey Be My Honey bee..... Fred Kirby
- Fort Worth Jail
- Each Minute Seems A Million Years... Carolina Playboys
- Rer River Valley
- Empty Saddles..... Rer River Dave
- Air Mail Special (Part one and Two) Lionel Hampton
- As Long As I Live
- Could You Take Me Back..... Jimmie and Leon Short
- Please Dont Talk About Me When I'm Gone
- Blue Lou (piano arrangement) Eddie Haywood
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