

# SPORT SHOTS

BY CHARLES CARPENTER

Every baseball lover mourned the death this week of the Sultan of Swat, Babe Ruth.

The hero of everyone and the idol of kids since the 1920's, the Bambino passed away Tuesday evening.

He left behind some 60 baseball records, some which will probably never be broken.

Other stars may surpass some of the Bambino's marks but no player will ever take his place in baseball history. He was a crowd-pleaser, everything he did had that "touch" that fans loved to see.

He was in there plugging in his fight for life against a cancer of the throat. On Monday he left his bed for a 20-minute session sitting by his window in a rocker.

On Tuesday late in the afternoon he said his prayers and went into a peaceful sleep, never to awaken.

The baseball world will never forget the Babe.

—dad—

Clarence Myers had a catch at City Lake last week that had fishermen in town talking. On last Thursday (Aug. 12) he landed a catfish that measured 25 and three-quarters inches long, and weighed 9 pounds. The mouth of the fish measured 7 and one-half inches across. Myers landed the whopper with a rod and reel. Many fishermen stated they had never seen such a large catfish. Others went on record stating they had seen larger, but not for a long time. A small minority, of course, said they had caught larger themselves. The "cat" was put on show in front of Joe Lee Woodward's sporting goods store and practically every passer-by stopped to look and comment.

Ned McGill, manager of Alex's Driving Range just out of town on the Gastonia highway, really has a modern golf-driving establishment. Many a rookie and a few "regulars" have tried their hand at practice drives on the new range already. Tolly Shuford, Don Blanton, Dad Jackson, and

Charles Thomasson were "battling" it out a couple of night's ago. Booth Gillespie and O. W. Myers were supervising. Gene Mitchem, Don Parker, David and Robert Neill, Dick Foster, Houston Black, and Dwight Ware journeyed to Washington last Friday to see Jake Early in action against the Red Sox. They talked to Jake and got a lot of autographs from the assembled stars there. They saw the Sunday double-header, the one that William Plonk missed. He was in town and decided to come on home Saturday night. Jake had a double and a single in the Nat 5 to 4 win in the opener.

## Leaf Quota For 1949 Increased 5 Percent

Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannon has proclaimed a 194 national marketing quota for flue-cured tobacco of 1,030,000,000 pounds. The proclamation, made in conformity with the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, would result in an acreage increase of approximately 5 per cent for most farmers.

Converting the poundage quota to acres, on the basis of 1943-47 yields, the 1949 acreage allotments will total about 960,000 acres as compared with 908,000 acres allotted in 1948.

Based on the supply and demand situation, the new quota reflects "conservation estimates of the need for flue-cured tobacco during the current year," the Department of Agriculture said.

The quota may be increased as much as 2 per cent at any time up to March 1, 1949, if the Secretary of Agriculture decides that further developments justify such an increase.

## Uncle Sam Says



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U. S. Treasury Department

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## By Way Of Mention

Lois Beattie

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Riley had as their guests Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Terry of the Oak Grove community.

Mr. Billy Payne spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Fuller and family of Belmont.

Pvt. James Ray Wright, formerly of Kings Mountain is on a 17-day furlough and will leave Saturday, August 21, for overseas duty.

Mr. Leo Beatty and daughter, Lois, were recent visitors in Shelby. Messrs. Bill McGinnis, Bryan Ware and Rhoda Sellars spent the week-end in Johnson City, Tenn.

Miss Kay Hullender spent the past week with relatives in Cherryville.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jenkins spent the weekend with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jenkins and son, Tommie, Jr., in Leaksville, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Lee Blanton have as their guest this week the latter's

mother, Mrs. Jennie Lovelace of Charlotte.

Mrs. Barney Greene had as her guests recently her mother, Mrs. Minnie Scates and her grandmother, Mrs. Sally Parrish all of Bessemer City.

Mrs. J. I. Hope had as her guests Sunday evening her daughter, Ella Mae and Miss Ruby Lollar both of the Shelby hospital.

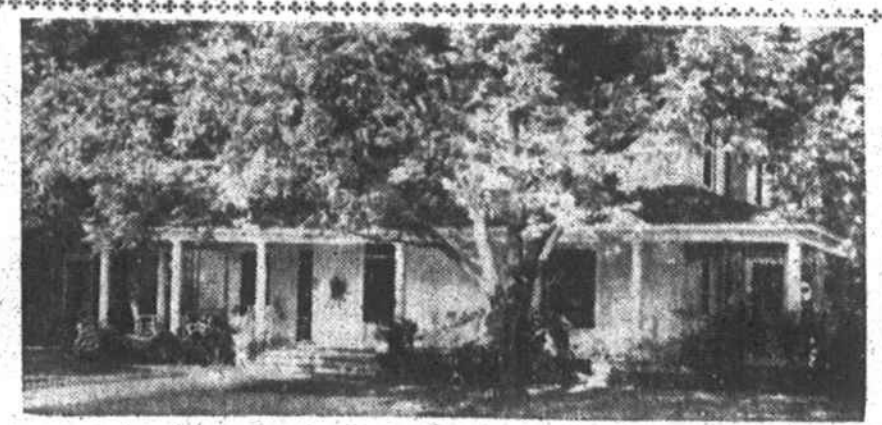
Mr. and Mrs. R. Lee Blanton, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Blanton and Mrs. Elmer Bridges and children spent Sunday in the mountains.

Mrs. R. Lee Blanton and Mrs. Wesley Blanton were recent visitors in Gastonia.

Photography was invented by Louis Daguerré, of France in 1839.

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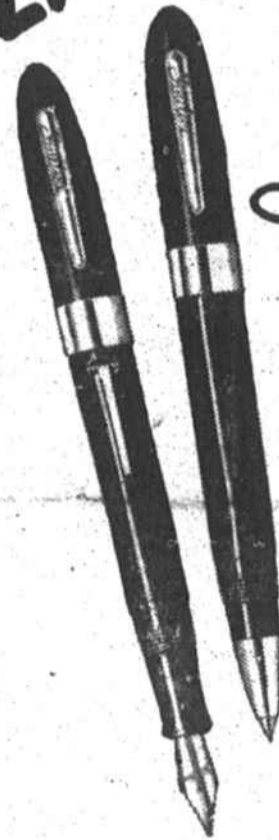
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