MORGAN'S CAGERS

Troupe Thorn in Side of Visiting Teachers

Coms Take Two Extra Periods to Beat Panthers

By OLLIE STEWART

PHILADELPHIA.— Flashing a whirlwind passing attack, the Commanders basketball team gave the Panthers' Club their first defeat of the season, 28-26 in a hectic game at the Seger Senior League into a tie with the Capitol Club. The Coms stemmed for a one-point surprise beating handed them by the Panthers early in the season; but required two extra five-minute periods to do it. The Panthers led at the half time, 13-12.

Playing all games to date without the service of Casey Jones, sharpshooting guard from Morgan College, and using Walter Troy, the team's big scoring ace and Chester Buchanan, veteran pivot man in his last game, the Coms showed unusual form.

After the intermission, the Coms presented a rejuvenated offense that swept ahead of the Panthers. Chick Edwards and Sams were again the point producing terrors, and in a few minutes, the Coms were once more ahead.

Score Tieu Twice

With the Coms out in front 21-17 and two minutes to play, Boyer broke loose twice to score much needed field goals, tying score as the regulation forty minutes ended. In the first extra period, both teams scored a field goal and a foul, leaving the score still tied.

In the second period, Sams scored a field goal from the side of the court, putting the Coms ahead. A second later Chick Edwards put the game on ice with his fifth field goal of the night, made from under the basket. Boyer and Raymond starred for Panthers.

Rens Will Tour South, Northwest

NEW YORK (ANP) — The world champion Renaissance basketball team will embark on an all-embracing tour of the country first of the Mississippi, January.

Home folk won't see the boys much until way down in February when they come through here on their way to the Capital City where the Rens stage an annual game.

Remembering St. Louis for the second time, the Rens got off to a wobbly start in their first game of the season, but found their sea legs sufficiently in the last seven minutes of the contest to upset the Miner Teachers' College dribblers, 29-20, here Friday night at New Alber Casino, the game beginning at 9:30 p.m.

To be a bit more personal and specific, it was Otis Tredlipe, shifty guard of the Hall-Hall aggregation, who found his legs, arms and eyes and used them to the detriment of the Washington team.

Tredlipe opened the Morgan scoring rally with two field goals and a foul shot in rapid succession to stem the tide that was plunging the local team toward defeat.

Then, with the aspect of the game entirely changed, he proceeded to sink another long shot from mid-court and two more free throws for good measure.

Eye Deadly; Arms Steady

His deadly eye and steady arms made the Morgan team articulate, and from that moment until the end of the game, there was no lack of pep, wonderful shooting of feet and whistling.

Nick Stewart, Morgan guard who learned his basketball on the Newark (N.J.) courts, took up the scoring where after Tredlipe had demonstrated it could be carried, and went on a rampage of his own.

Sowell racked up four field goals as if he were inspired or had all the fiends at his back. Three of them were sunk within one minute.

Sowell Adds Contribution

Two minutes later, with three minutes left to play, the freshman forward made a foul shot good to round out his shooting contribution for the evening.

Efforts of the Miner quintet to stop the Morgan last attack, late but effective, availed them nothing.

On one of the few occasions in the second half when the Teachers managed to get possession of the ball, they tried to dramatize the good old play known as the "freeze."

Troupe broke it up by going many feet into the air to grab the ball, and at the moment his feet touched the boards, his body went up again, his arms flicked out and the ball was on its way, and that goal was the result.

Miner Tries Freeze

From then on, Miner was frozen out, as far as handling the ball and shooting baskets was concerned.

But it was not to in the opening half, for the Teachers made many kinds of rings as you can see from the Methodist churches throughout the entire land, and for about five minutes of the game.

A rangy lad by the name of Brown, a Miner forward, drew the first blood. His field goal came within three minutes after the opening whistle had sounded.

McNeil Out for Personals

Tibbs, McNeil (incidentally the only man to be excited during the game because of too many personal fouls), and Tolliver, all forwards, took turns at dropping the Miner goal into the basket.

Morgan was outpassed, seemingly nervous and scarcely able to find the range. Sowell, McNeil, Wood and Lampkin, all freshmen, had arranged for the team, the heaviest one, including more playing dates and more powerful teams met, is the strongest layout for the Renaissance. Thus far, Rens have played three games this season, but their win record completely overshadows this.

The schedule following:

January 2, Cincinnati, Ohio; January 4, Philadelphia, Pa.; January 2, Columbia, Pa.; January 4, Altoona, Pa.; January 4, Johnstown, Pa.; January 5, Butler, Pa.; January 6, S. S. Clairsville, Ohio; January 7, Canton, Ohio; January 8, Springfield, Ohio; January 9, Indianapolis, Ind.; January 10, Anderson, Ind.; January 11, Indianapolis, Ind.; January 12, Memphis, Tenn.; January 13, Helena, Middletown, Ohio; January 14, Nashville, Tenn.; January 15, Knoxville, Tenn.; January 16, Chattanooga, Tenn.; January 17, Atlanta, Ga.; January 18, Fort Benning, Ga.; January 19, Macon, Ga.; January 21, Columbus, Ga.; January 22, Afternoon, Tuskegee, Ala.; January 22, Montgomery, Ala.; January 23, Birmingham, Ala.; January 24, Memphis, Tenn.; January 25, Cairo, Ill.; January 26, St. Louis, Mo.; January 27, Springfield, Ill.; January 28, Bloomington, Ill.; January 29, Kankakee, Ill.; January 30, Cudahy, Wis.; January 31, Kenosha, Wis.;

February 1, Beloit, Wis.; February 2, Oshkosh, Wis.; February 3, Afternoon, Sheboygan, Wis.; February 3, Evening, West Bend, Wis.; February 4, Fondulac, Wis.; February 5, Janesville, Wis.; February 6, Rockford, Ill.; February 7, Stegena Point, Wis.

Metcalfe Back

NEW YORK—(ANP)—Like the conquering hero he is, Ralph Metcalfe, the streak of bronze lightning, who conquered the world at the last Olympic games, has put on a show that has captivated the imagination of track fans all over the world, returned here Friday on the steamship Vulcania.

Metcalfe was accompanied by his teammate, Charley Hornbostel, the middle distance ace from Indiana University. Metcalfe, who equaled and established several records this summer, will re-enter Marquette University at Milwaukee for the next term, it was said.

Bison Cagers Hall

WASHINGTON—With all students leaving the city for the Christmas holidays, Coach Henry Burr, Howard basketball mentor, suspended regular practice for the Bison quintuet.

Only the local players will report for drills during the holiday session. The junior varsity quint will travel to Harrisburg, Pa., Friday night, for a clash with the Harrisburg YWCA five. Plans for a holiday trip for the Bison varsity are being made. Coach Burr, therefore, the courtmen will open the season with the alumni aggregation, Friday night, at the school, January 2.

The first clash of the Bisons' road schedule will be played at Delaware State College, Saturday, January 5.

Hear Me Talkin' to Ya

By BILL GIBSON

To the readers of this column and these pages, the AFRO Sports Department extends best wishes for prosperity, health and happiness during 1935.

They Do Hereby Resolve:

HARRY R. JEFFERSON, Virginia State football coach: Not to pray for rain on Thanksgiving Day.

YOUNG KID NORFOLK, local boxer (known to some as Billy Purnell): Not to hit any opponent on the top of the head without first ordering a hatchet and head to made of concrete or not.

COACH ZIP GAYLES, Langston University: Not to count the football chickens before they're hatched.

FRANK A. (Fay) YOUNG, newspaperman: Not to name Langston as national champion until the Lions have played their final game of the season.

E. B. REA, Norfolk sports editor: Not to refer to Bill Griffin of Smith University as "Mitchell" when preparing cut captions and to watch by-lines over press releases.

RAY KEMP, Bluefield football coach: To keep his backs from tumbling when deep in Morgan territory.

ALL HEAD COACHES: To get eligibility reports from registrars notarized before holding the first practice of the season.

MARSE (Talmadge) HILL, assistant Morgan coach: Never to leave those good luck pantaloons at home on the occasion of ANY football game.

BEN TAYLOR, veteran baseballer: To show Brooklyn fans in particular and the East in general, that he can produce a team which will give the Brooklyn Dodgers, what for in 1935.

SAM LACEY, Washington sports scribbler: Never, no never, to lend Bill Gibson a pencil again.

ROMEO DOUGHERTY, sports oracle of the Amsterdam News: To shoot a few more darts into the hide of the National Baseball Association.

BALTIMORE BOXERS: To continue to fight for a mere pittance so that the sport which gave Joe Gans to the world will continue to decline here. ▲

PUBLICITY DIRECTORS, all colleges: To furnish the press with up-to-the-minute copy, photos and matrices BEFORE the last game of the season. (Oh, yeah?)

BILL TAYLOR, Bowie coach: To send in reports of all games played with Storer College, whether at home or abroad.

EDWARD S. LEWIS, Baltimore Urban League secretary: To break 80 on the Carroll Park golf course or bust.

BALTIMORE TENNIS CLUB: To restore some of the lost clay court glory to the Monumental City.

C. C. JACKSON, Jr., Playground Athletic League worker: To make Baltimore more soccer-conscious during 1935.

HARRY T. PRATT, acting principal Douglass High School, Baltimore: To continue the encouragement of wholesome athletics with a view toward affording some championships for the Ducks as well as physical exercise.

PERRY L. JACOBS, South Atlantic High School Conference press agent: To get out more than one release during football season and to release the proceedings of the annual meeting at least within a week after they are over.

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MAYBE YOU NEVER HEARD of Yaphank, N.Y., but certainly you've heard of, and many of you know Bert Gholston, veteran baseball athlete, who is doing top sergeant duty here in the CCC's between baseball seasons.

Twas none other than good old Bert who took his typewriter in hand the other week to advance some theories concerning ways and means by which colored players may be able to move a round or two up the ladder of success.

Bert wrote to me as follows:

"In the course of a recent conversation with a group of friends, white and colored, the subject of colored baseball players and their ability came up. This led to some very interesting remarks that I am certain would be good fuel for the stove league for the winter months.

"One remark made by one of the group was that there is no principally colored baseball and players, from the standpoint of ability, that would be able to compete with the white and colored, the subject of colored baseball players and their ability is far below that of the colored athlete. There are now very few outstanding stars in the professional ranks from white colleges. The majority of these players come not from schools, but from sandlots and semi-professional teams.

"With the possibilities of better pay as a baseball player than he could earn in any other industrial and professional world, it is no wonder that the young colored athlete strives to be a star player. He knows that there may be a chance for him to sign up with one of the big teams and at least not have to carry baggage, bell-hop, wait table or fill such positions as are not in keeping with the education for which he has worked so hard.

"A young colored athlete who shows that he possesses any possibilities of becoming a star player should be taken in hand by someone who understands development of athletes and trained. A man who can play baseball should not be encouraged to play the year round. Naturally the activity called for in the course of a game uses plenty of energy. After a season of hard games he should take a rest. I do not mean that he should give up all physical activity, but rather that he should do something else for a few days or weeks.

"Many players rush to the Pacific Coast, Cuba or Florida as soon as the regular playing season is ended and play during the entire winter. In the spring when they report to duty they are not really prepared to give their best. While this winter activity means more money to the individual player, it really does not help him in the long run. Instead of his being able to shine sooner and the team suffers in the box-office, especially if he is a star.

"Another idea advanced relative to testing the abilities of colored players in competition against white players is to select a team of players from the two major leagues to play a game for charity against a selected team from the teams composing the two divisions of the Negro National and Eastern Colored Leagues. This would be a gathering together for both teams and then the big game.

"Such a game, played in New York, Chicago, Cleveland or Detroit, where baseball between the two races is a common occurrence, would, no doubt, fill the park to capacity and would certainly serve as an indicator as to whether or not colored players are ready to be accepted on an equal footing for full competition with the whites on an equal standing.

"These suggestions and ideas are passed on to you for your consideration and it is hoped that they will form the basis of much discussion and that some steps be taken to bring about such portions of these suggestions as may be possible."

Bish Hart Is 1935 H.U. Captain; No Letter for Perkins

WASHINGTON—Bishop (Bish) Burrell Hart, former Philadelphia high school star, was elected captain of the 1935 Howard University football team at a dinner given gridiron banquet held last Tuesday in the university dormitory.

Hart, a sophomore, has played on the grid eleven for two years. In 1933, under the guidance of former Coach Tom Verdell, Hart played a substitute tackle. A year he clinched a regular line berth and proved to be one of the Bisons's mainstays in the forward wall.

He formerly played with Overbrook High School in Philadelphia in 1931 won the light-heavyweight boxing championship in the Philadelphia Golden Gloves tournament.

Eighteen Get Letters

Eighteen varsity players were awarded the "H" at the banquet. Frank S. Phillips, chairman of the board of athletic control, made the presentations as Martin Sutler, president of the H-Club, sketched the history of each letterman's athletic activities. Speeches were made by Coach Charlie Beard, Dwight O. W. Holmes and Sutler, who welcomed the letters as new members of the H-Club. The Rev. Edgar A. Love gave the invocation and benediction.

Paul L. Perkins, star backfield man, was not ineligible for the letter the Bisons, the forfeiture of five CIAA games, two of which had been won and two tied, was not among the recipients of the university insignia. The board of athletic control, meeting prior to the time of the banquet, voted not to award the varsity "H" to Perkins. Perkins participated in all of the Bisons' games with the exception of the Lincoln battle. The declaration of his ineligibility was issued by the university registrar on the eve of the game with Lincoln.

Those awarded letters were:

Joseph Herbert Cole, co-captain; Martin Bandolph Sutler, Ewart George McGruder, co-captain; Bishop Burrell Hart, Lagard Lycurgas Holloman, Luther Warneck Crichlow, Booker Talliaferro Gaither, Edgar Richardson, Lucas Edward Howard, Lee Norris Hibbert.

David D. Jakes, James R. Jarrett, Junius Plummer, Robert R. Anderson, Le Vert Armstrong, Charles L. Wesley, manager; Bernard Johnson, Charles Williams.

Sweaters to Eight

Eight of the letter men were first-year players. They received sweaters. They were:

Lucas Edward Howard, David D. Jakes, Junius Plummer, Robert R. Anderson, Le Vert Armstrong, Bernard Johnson, Charles Williams, Wesley, manager, Robert L. White.

Fayetteville Wins Opener by 40-10

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. — N.C. State Normal, led by Hawkins and Jones, of Spring Hope, opened the home basketball schedule with a brilliant 40-10 victory over Pius Baker's Fremont All-Stars in a local gym.

At the beginning of the second quarter, Coach Armstrong sent in Hawkins and Jones to replace Daniels and Singleton, and with the support of Torrey and Sparks, they led the locals in front of the end of the half by a ten-point margin, 21-11.

Jones accounted for 22 of the 40 points amassed by the Greyhounds but had it not been for the passing of Hawkins it is doubtful that the locals would have scored such a total sum.

The normal basketers will participate in sixteen games this season.

Fairmount Giants Top Dixie Dukes, 38-33

PHILADELPHIA — Basketball fans of North Philadelphia were treated to one of the most thrilling games of the season last week, when the Fairmount Giants took the Dixie Dukes for a 38-33 ride.

The first half — the Dukes in lead, running up a total of 21 points, while the Giants trailed with 9.

The second half was different. Doc Massaquoi led the Giant attack with four field goals, followed by Henry Sams with one field goal and four fouls. Puny Norman tied the score with a shot from the foul stripe. Center of the Giants kept the lead until the final whistle.

Ohio Quint Booking

COLUMBUS, Ohio.—The Lane Askins basketball team, Ohio semi-pro champs, is booking for the season.

For games, write William Askins, 728 N. Starr Road, Columbus, Ohio.

BITTERS AND SWEETS

By OLLIE STEWART

Farewell to Football

And now that football is officially hibernating for the next eight months or thereabouts — with the exception of the Tuskegee-Prairie View scrap out on the plains of Texas on January 1, which means that we would like to see but cannot pay the freight — baseball talk again begins to filter through the air.

In the big (white) leagues, the gossip is centered around Babe Ruth and who owner is going to care to buy his services for the next year, and what player will be traded or sold to what club and at what price, if any.

In smaller leagues, in which you and you have more in common than with the Bambino's outfit, the question is being raised as to who shall be angel to certain clubs with financial troubles, what parks may be secured, and how to boost gate receipts.

Among clubs without a home are the Brooklyn Eagles, who have secured Ebbetts Field, which was made famous by the Brooklyn Dodgers, for home games.

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Baltimore Should Take Part

"Baltimore should have representation in the National Negro Baseball Association," exclaims Doughnuts, Baltimore Afro-American News sports scribe, in a recent column.

"Ten years the Black Sox carried on a big way," Mr. Doughnuts continues, "and the last time they appeared here (New York) it was for something out of the ordinary being staged at Yankee Stadium, where they made a grand showing before more than 17,000 fans.

"And now that the matter is reopened, why can't Baltimore have representation in the league? It should be interesting to know what ideas local baseball fans have on the subject.

Speaking of Joe Louis

The most talked-of member of the fine fighting clan at present, barring none, is Joe Louis, Detroit heavyweight, who smacked Lee Ramage to the canvas three times in the eighth round of a ten-round encounter the other night on Chicago way.

And when Ramage, voted by many in the know, the cleverest boxer in heavyweight ranks, promised inside of a few rounds following the third crashing right hand to leave the ring and call on the referee to stop the slaughter.

Frank Marshall, Jr., has described what happened in this manner:

"The Californian had nothing left. Joe Louis had him and was pulled himself clumsily and painfully to his feet. Again Louis blasted the white boy's chin with a right hand that rocked him.

"And for the fourth time the beaten boy willed to the resin like a limp dishrag. Then Lee's handlers tossed in the towel. And 154 games like the two present ended in a merciful slaughter in the eighth round, up went Joe's bronzed arm in victory."

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No White Advisors

There are two aspects of Joe Louis's dizzy ascent to the heights of fistic fame that I like. First his youth — the boy is still not old enough to vote — and the other is the fact that he has never been under any white supervision.

His manager is John Roxborough, a colored man who is the brains, the guiding hand, the inspiration of the young Brown Bomber, the man who has developed him and who has made of him a champion.

The same goes for John Roxborough, a colored man in his late thirties, who has developed into a national figure in Detroit.

"Roxborough's hobby is athletics. In building his political machine, one of the moves he made was to establish and fit out a number of small gymnasiums in the Negro districts of the Motor City. Out of them came the boxers and competitive games.

"In one of the gymnasiums he discovered Louis, a tall, lean, shy young kid, who within a short space of time was knocking the best colored lad who chose him as an opponent into a cocked hat with gloves.

Has Legal Guardian

"The outcome of it all was that Roxborough, who had signed ownership papers for the young boxer, brought Louis East to fight in eight months when Louis becomes 21 years of age.

"Colored fighters have chosen white managers for various reasons, but some of them very likely without any reason at all, the main one being that a manager is an advantage. Others will be equally sure it is a handicap.

"If Joe Louis gets his chance against Max Baer, the champion, as Herr Maxie has promised that he shall, and chastise his claim from the black menace to the black champ, it will certainly be a tall feather in Roxborough's cap.

"For one, am glad the young scrapper has a colored manager.

"But I am positive that a white manager would have made many more dollars for himself and for Joe by having the lad bowl over a row of set-ups.

Favors Athletic Fund

Cornell University's frank stand in favor of athletic scholarships and a statement by Walter Okeson, of Lincoln University, Lehigh University and chairman of the rules committee, were items of interest to football fans, which resulted from the meeting of four college athletic associations in New York, Thursday.

The 1935 tentative schedule is as follows:

September 28, Xavier at New Orleans; October 5, Clark at Cramton Bowl; October 12, Southern at Baton Rouge; October 18, Morgan at Cramton Bowl; October 26, Morehouse at Birmingham; November 2, Talladega at Cramton Bowl; November 11, Morris Brown at Columbus; November 16, Morehouse at Atlanta; November 22, Alcorn at Mobile or Morgan; November 29, Tuskegee at Cramton Bowl.

Claflin Awarded Grid Title in S.A. Conference

SUMTER, S.C.—Claflin College was declared the 1934 football champion of the South Atlantic Athletic conference and awarded the trophy at the twenth annual meeting of the association, at Morris College, Saturday.

Eight of the thirteen member schools sent representatives, as follows:

Allen University — Dr. Abram Simpson, Coach Rivers, and Alan Wyatt; Claflin College—Cyril Coach Chandler, Williams, Benedict—Coach V. E. Hay, J. D. McGhee; Paine College — Dr. Gaither, W. C. Bryan; Haines Institute—J. M. Tutt; Morris College — Coach McCain, W. H. Campbell; Voorhees Institute—Coach Martin, H. Moore; Seneca Junior College, Coach Sloan.

Claflin College played five or more conference games and won over South Carolina State with a percentage of .833, winning five games, losing one and tying one; while State had a percentage of .750, winning three games, losing one and tying one. It was the conference decision that no all-conference eleven be selected for 1934.

To Certify Opponents

A conference committee report was adopted, which recommended a certified list of football officials and the capacities in which each selected official should work. The committee also recommended certified lists of coaches and officials, to be held in Columbia at Allen University, in September, and proceed other methods for regulating the work of officials.

The committee making the report included: Coach Veal, chairman; Coach Bell, Dr. Butler, Coaches Martin, Sloan, Murray, McCain and Tutt. The examining committee appointed included: Coach Bell, chairman; Coach Tutt and Coach Veal.

Schedules for football, basketball and baseball were tentatively arranged. A conference track and field meet, to be held at Claflin College in May, was approved by the body and a track and tennis committee was appointed to work out plans. This committee included Coach Bell, chairman; Coach Chandler, of Claflin; Coach Sheffield and Brooks, of South Carolina State College, and J. D. gro League. For the past seven or Gaither, A. C. Davidson and Coach Veal, who served as secretary of the conference.

A committee to revise the constitution was voted at the session. The committee members are to be one representative each member school of the conference to the special meeting tet reside in Chicago.

Tenny Blount, Former Baseball Club Owner, Dies

DETROIT. — Funeral services for John Tenny Blount, well known former baseball magnate, owner of the Detroit Stars baseball club, will be held here Friday afternoon.

Mr. Blount, who was 63 years of age, died at the Receiving Hospital here, Saturday afternoon, from a contusion of the brain caused by a fall down some stairs.

He had gone into the building to inspect a large supply of foodstuffs for Christmas baskets for indigent families which he and his partner, James Nelson, had purchased, he said, when he was suddenly he fell backwards down the stairs, but it was the opinion of friends that he fell while searching for his hat. The office is at 580 Beacons Street.

Found by Porter

He was discovered by the porter of the building who heard him groaning. He was rushed to the hospital shortly after one o'clock, but expired less than three hours later.

Mr. Blount, who was born in Montgomery, Ala., came to Detroit in 1914. For a long number of years he was the operator of the Union League Club, a card house on Grand Avenue. In 1919 he formed the Detroit Stars, a Negro National League club, which he owned and managed for many years. Among his survivors are his widow, Mrs. Leona Blount; his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John Blount; a sister, Mrs. Lila Gilmore; and sister, Mrs. Lila Gilmore. His parents, son and sister live in Chicago.

RACING

Watch 'Em

By G.H.

Foxland Hall

Foxland Hall (4-1.10) was the only winner. Resurrection placed at $5.30, while Canterbury and Mrs. Hampton Pirates two hours before hold a session Friday before the September call meeting of the coaches and officials to draft revisions and amendments which can be reported and acted upon the following day at the rules interpretation meeting.

The following officers, elected to serve for two years at the 1933 meeting, were recommended to serve, until 1935: J. D. McGhee, president; W. A. Pegues (Allen University), vice-president; J. M. Tutt, secretary and W. C. Ervin, treasurer.

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Crowning Glory — Polly Ann
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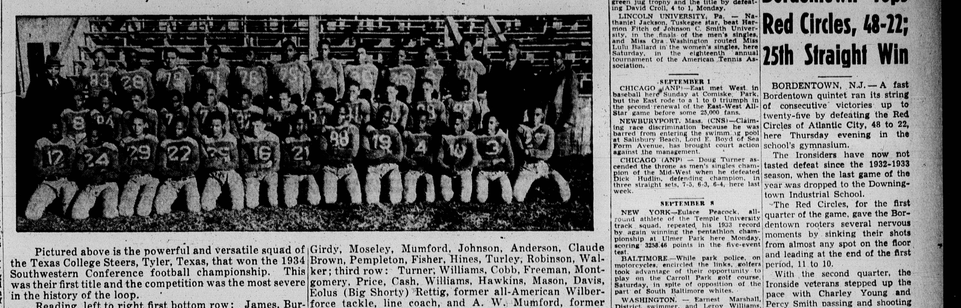

Pictured above is the powerful and versatile squad of Girdy, Moseley, Mumford, Johnson, Anderson, Claude the Texas College Steers, Tyler, Texas, that won the 1934 Brown, Pompleton, Fisher, Hines, Jones, Bailey, Robinson, Walsh, Southwestern Conference football championship. This is their third title and the competition was the most severe in the history of the loop.

Reading, left to right first bottom row: James, Burton, Towles, Martin, Cleo Brown, Powell, Simmons, Handridge, Bonner, Washington, Blacknell, Boyd; second row: Turner, Williams, Cobb, Freeman, Montgomery, Price, Cash, Williams, Hawkins, Mason, Davis, Eolus (Big Shorty) Rettig, former all-American Wilberforce tackle, line coach, and A. W. Mumford, former three-letter man of Wilberforce, coach.

Texas College Contests Right of Kentucky State to National Grid Title

By C. F. RICHARDSON, Jr.

TYLER, Texas — The white number of commerce offered to guarantee any amount that Kentucky State wanted to meet the Texas College Steers here Christmas Day, but Coach Kean, refused, according to Coach A. W. Mumford, director of athletics at the East Texas school.

Texas College in addition to winning the 1934 Southwestern Athletic Conference championship, boasts the greatest scoring team among colored colleges, with a total of 378 points to their opponents' 36.

It a letter mailed to the press, Coach Kean last week offered to play any unidentified and untied team in the country, the Texans claim that although Kentucky whipped a badly crippled and battered Wiley team at the end of the season 33-0, Texas was held to a 7-all score by the Wildcats in their second game of the season.

They point with emphasis to the statistics accredited to Coach Long, Wiley coach, who said that Texas College was scored upon by downs better than Wiley and that the cats were exceptionally lucky to escape with a blank.

Mr. Long is the only man in the country who claims to have shortatively upon the relative merits of the two teams, one he has played both. Long is not given to issuing meaningless statements about the ability of teams or players.

Tough luck seems to hound the trail of A. W. Mumford, Texas coach, whose name is written down in the pages of Wilberforce as one its athletic immortals, letering in football, basketball and baseball.

In 1928 and 1930 after having defeated all of the conference teams, his Bishop College team lost the final games of the season to Bishop's arch rival, Wiley, and with the championship in sight, with a four-year team and good material, he was disengaged by the Baptist institution and the alumni raised a howl that still echoes.

Coming to Texas three years ago Dame Fortune has deprived Mumford of victories, a former charge and this year with the strongest team of his colorful career, he is tied by Wiley, a team he took out of the cellar, and Kentucky State refuses to meet him for the mythical national honors.

Added to this, the team he wants to defeat more than any other, Bishop, is out of the conference.

Conference teams being issued, conference coaches contain a majority of Texas players. Vera Johnson, Papa Walden and Claude Brown have been marked men in the games this year.

Myles Anderson, fullback rated the best fullback in the history of the conference, not excluding Wiley's Lucky and Sam Stavel and Prairie View's Marks, is the high point man of the loop with 108 of his team's total of 378 points.

Freeman, Turner and Rettig the two best ends of the conference, and with Cobb, Hines and Pembleton, all conference linemen, formed the main gears in a drive through which no foe was made this season. All points tallied against the Steers were made by passes.

The following men will be lost by graduation: Cash, Hawkins, Johnson and Mumford.

Texas College has received the publicity of her larger slater schools, but her record places her on equal footing with them.

Texans point to the thrashing given Langston by the Steers as evidence of the fact that they are better than the six with Wiley indicates. Langston whipped Wiley 21-0 and Texas whipped Langston 12-2.

Against Langston, Texas made 10 first downs, 2 touchdowns, 158 yards were gained, while they held the Lions to three first downs and one of which was a penalty and 52 yards gained from scrimmage.

Gayles, Langston coach, offered no excuse but paid the wonder team of Mumford, just as Texas Wiley coach, did, alleged owner of the club which he walked away with a decisive 40-25 victory.

Sports Review Out Next Week

The annual AFRO Sports Review, written by Bill Gibson and the list of sports champions for 1934, will appear next week. Reserve your AFRO now.

BETHUNE CAGERS PREPARE

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla.—(ANP)—Coach Hondon, of Bethune-Cookman College, has about twenty candidates out for basketball.

Legion Girls Win 2 Cage Encounters

NEW YORK — The Atlantic City Legion Girls took one of two games of a hard basketball game from the Harlem Hospital Nurses at the Lido ballroom.

The visitors scored cagers jumped into the lead early in the game when they sank three field goals from mid-court, to be followed by Ethel Wood, guard, who dropped in a long shot that looked as though the locals might win.

The clever playing of Misses Keys and Rhodes for the Nurses and sweet seashore lassies always reminded that they were in for a hard game.

The Legion Girls also have to their credit a victory over the Speed Girls, whom they downed by a 30-23 score on the Lido floor.

LEGION GIRLS (34)			HARLEM NURSES (12)		
	G.	F.	P.	G.	F. P.
Waters, f	2	0	1	Rhodes, f	3 1
Tompkins, f	3	0	0	Stewart, f	0 0
Land, f	0	1	1	Raines, f	0 0
Wood, c	3	0	0	Jones, c	0 0
Bailey, c	0	0	0	Tucker, g	0 0
Bonner, g	0	0	0	Keys, g	0 0
Wood, g	0	0	0	Keys, g	1 1
Ringgold, g	0	0	0	Ringgold, g	0 0
Paskins, g	0	0	3		
Totals	11	2	12	Totals	3 2

LEGION GIRLS (30)				TRENTON SPEED GIRLS (23)			
	G.	F.	P.		G.	F.	P.
Young, f	0	0	0	Mitchell, f	0	0	0
Waters, f	0	0	0	Wilson, f	3	0	6
Tompkins, f	2	0	4	Alderman, f	4	5	13
Moore, c	0	0	0	Jones, c	0	0	0
Bailey, c	0	0	0	Siddell, g	1	0	2
Bonner, g	0	0	0	McCord, g	0	0	0
Woods, g	0	0	0	Wheeler, g	0	0	0
Totals	13	4	13	Totals	8	5	21

Basketball Game in Philly Ends in Tie

PHILADELPHIA — The flashy West Philadelphia Capitals played a tie game with the Warriors at Girard Manor, last Wednesday, the result of a technical ruling.

With just a few seconds to play and the Warriors holding the long end of a 29 to 28 count, Pop Kilebrew, a stellar Capital forward, was fouled by Joe Bryant, who shot. For this the referee awarded him a point, which gave the Capitals a chance to tie the game.

Pop Kilebrew, however, was called by this and walked off the floor. The technical ruling in this case is that when a team is conceded one of the fouls. The tie will be played off in the near future.

Travis St. Paul's 1935 Grid Leader

LAWRENCEVILLE, Va. — Edward Lillard, Travis St. Paul's basketball guard, has been selected by his teammates to pilot the St. Paul Tiger eleven through next season's gridiron encounters.

Travis hails from Newport News and is a product of Huntington High School, where he was coached by Ernest Jones, supervisor of W. A. Thomas.

Lillard is the only man who won of his prowess as a backfield man and defensive star. He is a fast guard and has since been called the hardest-hitting linesman on the St. Paul team.

Injuries kept him out of the last few games of the season. He weighs 190 pounds. Following his election to the captaincy, thirty-five letter men assembled for this season's playing. They are:

J. Brown, D. Brown, V. Brown, Gaines, Carter, Finley, Jenkins, Jiggetts, Martin, Smith, Smith, H. Smith, H. Strayhorne, G. Strayhorne, Tucker, Wilson, Wright, Corbin, Cramer, Denny, Easley, Fisher, Johnson, Lillard, Mason, Milton, Mitchell, Travis, Williams, Wilson, Wynn and Brinkley.

Amer. Legion Trips Red Devils, 42-19

ATLANTIC CITY.—After holding the American Legion quint to a 12-10 lead at half time, the Lincoln University Red Devils were swamped by a 42-19 defeat.

Addie Wax, Willie Jackson and Wayman bombarded the nest for a total of 30 points, Jackson alone while Bailey, Gray and Freeman kept the Red Devil tossers in check. Hamilton and Roberts stood out for their teammates from the Jersey coast.

The game was played at the West Side Municipal auditorium to a meagre but rabid throng. The Lincoln University Musical Club members were the guests of the legion management at the game and entertained.

The line-up follows:

AM. LEGION							
	G.	F.	P.		G.	F.	P.
Johnson, f	4	1	9	Ward, f	0	0	0
Jones, f	1	1	3	Freeman, f	0	1	1
Mitchell, c	0	0	0	Roberts, c	2	2	6
Roberts, c	2	1	5	Wayman, c	1	0	2
Wayman, g	6	2	14	Hamilton, g	1	0	2
Hamilton, g	1	0	2	Jackson, g	3	1	7
Black, g	0	0	0	Gray, g	0	1	1
Totals	7	5	11	Totals	8	6	14

10 Games for Alabama Gridders in 1935

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — The Alabama State football Hornets will play ten games in their conference schedule, according to Coach Jackson, who released it this week.

The same opponents as faced the meet season are found on the 1935 card, with the exception of Wilberforce and the undefeated Talladega College Tornadoes are scheduled to take Tuskegee on November 2 on a home and home contract.

The 1935 tentative schedule is as follows:

September 28, Xavier at New Orleans; October 5, Clark at Cramton Bowl; October 12, Southern at Baton Rouge; October 18, Morgan at Cramton Bowl; October 26, Morehouse at Birmingham; November 2, Talladega at Cramton Bowl; November 11, Morris Brown at Columbus; November 16, Morehouse at Atlanta; November 22, Alcorn at Mobile or Morgan; November 29, Tuskegee at Cramton Bowl.

SPORTS SUMMARY FOR 1934

JANUARY 6
HOUSTON, Texas. — Prairie View College went on a rampage here at Buffalo Stadium on New Year's Day to upset the dope and hand Langston University of Oklahoma, unscored upon and untied, a 20 to 7 lacing.

NEW YORK. — Receiving a total of 206 votes, Ralph Metcalfe, outstanding American sprinter, placed sixth in a poll to determine the recipient of the Sullivan Award, annually given to the outstanding athlete of the year.

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Jesse Wilson, Howard University guidder at the University of Michigan, received 18 of a possible 45 votes to place second in the poll to determine the most outstanding athlete in the Big Ten (Western Conference).

FEBRUARY 3
PITTSBURGH, Pa.— The first meet of the Negro National League is scheduled for January 13 in Pittsburgh.

RICHMOND, Va. — Keen and mounting accurate shooting Morgan College quintet, after being threatened with a most air tight defense by Lincoln University, ran up a 45-27 victory over the final play to win over Virginia Union University, last night by a score of 32 to 24.

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — The American Legion girls' basketball team of the Kenneth Hawkins Post No. 41 defeated the Alerts of Baltimore by a score of 13 to 9 here.

JANUARY 30
BALTIMORE. — Played to a virtual standstill by an inspired quint of Howard University, 19 to 14, last night, the Morgan College Bears rallied in the closing moments of the game to defeat 39-25 victory in the fourth annual Negro Cage Classic, held at Madison Casino, Friday night.

BALTIMORE. — Blame for the Jim Crow ruling