CIAA HEADS PENALIZE SHAW FOR USING INELIGIBLE PLAYERS

Harmony Marks Twenty-Sixth Annual Meeting of Body at Lincoln University

By LEON H. HARDWICK

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY, Pa.—As the result of a ruling by the eligibility committee at the twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Colored Intercollegiate Athletic Association here Friday and Saturday, Shaw University's 1937 football record will be slashed to bits.

It was contended that Shaw used two players, Thomas Beverly Brown and Paul A. Bishop, Jr., this past season, violating one of the conference eligibility rules which states that no player who attends one member institution and fails to make the scholastic grade can attend any other member school without first making up any deficiencies at School No. 1.

Games to Be Forfeited

It was found that Brown and Bishop attended Union and failed to complete their work before matriculating at Shaw. As a result, every game in which they participated will be forfeited.

This, however, will have no direct bearing on the 1937 grid championship, which still remains in undisputed possession of Morgan College.

The two-day meeting was marked by an unusual amount of harmony among the delegates. Called to order early Friday morning by President C. H. Williams, of Hampton, the group, which numbered one of the largest in C.I.A.A. history, went through the subsequent sessions in rapid fire order.

In Pres. Williams's opening address to the assemblage, he suggested that member schools must not furnish the newspapers with details of contracts and plans still in the making but should wait until those plans have been completely worked out before submitting them.

No Freshman Rule

The body didn't favor the freshman rule. The chief objectors to this were the smaller schools. The inclusion of the law prohibiting freshmen taking part in varsity sports would almost wreck most of the teams except those representing the larger schools in the conference, it was pointed out.

Coach H. R. Jefferson, of Virginia State, in his address, said it was his opinion that "hocus-pocus football" was fast disappearing and that the fundamentals were being stressed more.

The chief guest speaker, Joseph H. Rainey, of the Pennsylvania State Boxing Commision, said:

"The colored athlete is the greatest goodwill ambassador the race has.

"Idealism pooh-poohs the idea of offering athletic scholarships for potentially sterling athletic material. However, practicality has disclosed that a servant is, in truth, worthy of his hire and art outstanding performer in the athletic rialto pays handsome and creditable dividends.

Favors Scholarships

"I am of the opinion that athletic scholarships do not debase the high purposes of collegiate institutions. I place myself unequivocally on record as favoring the granting of such scholarships to academic prospects who have the germs of athletic prowess within them."

G. G. Singleton, of Virginia State, in reporting on financing intercollegiate athletics, said the budget system should be adhered to.

President Dwight Holmes, of Morgan, was unable to be present and his address was read by Prof. P. Grim, of Lincoln University.

Other speakers at the two sessions were Dr. Walter L. Wright, president of Lincoln University; G. L. Burgess, Lincoln; Dr. F. T. Jamison, Lincoln; Clarence W. Davis, Howard; T. L. Hill, Morgan; H. C. Perrin, Shaw; John H. Burr, Howard; Junius L. T. Jeffries, Hampton.

Opening Saturday morning's program, A. B. Ballard, executive secretary of the Wissahickon Boys' Club, of Germantown, Pa., made one of the most impressive talks of the entire parley on the subject: "The College Athlete's Place in the Community."

Applauded Vigorously

He pointed out the unwieldiness of cities' spending millions for buildings and little or nothing toward the betterment of youth. He was given a fine ovation at the conclusion of his address.

The following reports of schools in the Northern district were made by H. F. Grim, of Lincoln:

Bluefield — The fire which swept the campus several months ago handicapped the athletic program a great deal but mild progress was noted in most branches.

Lincoln—An average season in all sports. A brighter future than present.

Howard—Intermural sports on the increase and athletics on the way up.

Morgan—An excellent year all the way round, especially in football; intermural progress was seventy-five per cent, especially among the women students; eight new courses added in the physical education division; the stadium was the biggest development.

G. G. Singleton said of the Virginia State:

"Summarizing, this division made tremendous strides last year. At St. Paul, the intercollegiate sports showed slight progress, especially in basketball and track. Football is not emphasized due to financial difficulties and risks."

All in North Carolina

All the schools composing the Southern district are in North Carolina. In his report, N. C. Webster, of A. and T., said:

"J. C. Smith showed a financial loss. St. Augustine had a balanced budget. North Carolina College showed small profit. Shaw made no formal report. A. and T. showed a slight profit."

The 1938 football rules interpretation meeting will be held at Howard next September 17.

Morgan College will sponsor the annual C.I.A.A. closed track and field meet at Baltimore May 14, it was decided.

H. D. Martin, of Miner Teachers', interpreted the new cage rules, assisted by basketball players of Lincoln University.

The body voted that all officials must send in expense accounts to schools to which they are assigned at least two days in advance of the event.

To Underwrite Meets

It was also agreed that the C.I.A.A. will underwrite three track meets this spring, totalling $300.

Next year's meeting will be held at Bluefield Institute.

With one exception, a case of advancement, all officers were re-elected to another term. They are:

Charles H. Williams, Hampton, president; J. L. Whitehead, St. Paul, secretary-treasurer; N. C. Webster, A. and T., assistant secretary-treasurer; H. F. Grim, G. G. Singleton, and James T. Taylor, vice presidents.

The following official recognition of championships for 1937 was given: A. and T. basketball; Morgan, tennis and football; Hampton, track; Hampton and Lincoln, boxing.

1938 COLORED INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENTS	PLACE	REFEREE	UMPIRE	HEADLINESMAN-TIMEKEEPER
OCTOBER 1	Bluefield—Virginia State St. Paul—Shaw Howard—Morgan N.C. State—Lincoln	Petersburg Raleigh Baltimore Durham	H. D. Martin J. W. Cotton J. B. Henderson W. R. Rivers	J. Young S. Carey J. D. Gill H. S. Blue	R. Seay M. Watts B. Washington F. D. Lawson
OCTOBER 8	Morgan—Union A. and T.—St. Paul N.C. State—Bluefield Hampton—Virginia State Shaw—Howard	Baltimore Lawrenceville Bluefield Petersburg Washington	W. R. Rivers J. W. Cotton A. Calloway J. Westmoreland H. D. Martin	R. E. Contee S. Brown L. G. Bruce H. Greene E. B. Henderson	B. Washington C. Seay J. D. Anderson J. L. Young A. W. Overby
OCTOBER 15	Morgan—Lincoln Union—A. and T. Hampton—Bluefield St. Paul—N.C. State Virginia State—Howard	Lincoln Greensboro Hampton Lawrenceville Petersburg	H. D. Martin E. Martin R. W. Johnson George Clarke F. P. Westmoreland	H. Burr H. L. Fleming J. D. Gill A. W. Overby E. B. Henderson	B. Washington J. Rumph J. Anderson C. W. Seay W. E. Temple
OCTOBER 22	Union—St. Paul Lincoln—Hampton Bluefield—Morgan Smith—Shaw N.C. State—St. Augustine	Richmond Lincoln Bluefield Charlotte Durham	E. Westmoreland H. D. Martin L. R. Carter J. W. Cotton R. E. Carey	J. L. Young H. Graves J. D. Gill S. Brown M. L. Watts	B. Washington D. N. Clarke J. D. Anderson K. H. Diamond M. L. Watts
OCTOBER 29	Union—Virginia State Smith—St. Augustine St. Paul—Lincoln Shaw—N.C. State A. and T.—Hampton	Richmond Raleigh Lawrenceville Durham Hampton	E. P. Westmoreland R. E. Carey J. W. Cotton H. D. Martin W. Rivers	J. Young H. L. Fleming A. W. Overby R. W. Johnson H. A. Taylor	B. Washington S. Brown J. Williams J. D. Gill M. Robinson
NOVEMBER 5	Howard—Hampton Union—Lincoln Virginia State—Shaw A. and T.—Morgan St. Augustine—St. Paul Smith—Bluefield	Hampton Lincoln Raleigh Baltimore Raleigh Charlotte	W. Rivers E. P. Westmoreland J. W. Cotton H. D. Martin G. Clarke R. E. Carey	C. W. Seay H. Greene H. Fleming J. D. Gill S. Brown J. Anderson	I. N. Cupid D. N. Clarke M. Watts C. Carter F. Burnett J. Anderson
NOVEMBER 12	Union—Shaw A. and T.—Virginia State St. Paul—Howard Hampton—Morgan Bluefield—Lincoln Smith—N.C. College	Richmond Greensboro Lawrenceville Baltimore Bluefield Durham	E. Westmoreland J. W. Cotton R. E. Contee R. Henderson A. Calloway H. D. Martin	J. Young H. S. Taylor F. Lawson H. D. Martin J. D. Gill H. S. Blue	C. W. Seay R. Seay V. C. Harris B. Washington J. D. Anderson H. S. Blue
NOVEMBER 19	Smith—Union Shaw—St. Augustine Bluefield—A. and T.	Charlotte Raleigh Bluefield	H. A. Taylor S. E. Carey L. Carter	H. L. Fleming S. H. Brown J. D. Gill	K. Diamond F. Burnett H. Henderson
THANKSGIVING DAY	Hampton—Union Shaw—Bluefield Howard—Lincoln Morgan—Virginia State A. and T.—N.C. State	Site Undecided Raleigh Washington Petersburg Greensboro	E. Westmoreland J. Cotton Calloway W. Rivers H. D. Martin	R. W. Johnson H. L. Fleming C. W. Seay E. Henderson H. A. Taylor	A. Overby M. Watts F. Lawson B. Washington H. S. Blue

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Junior Football

In the Junior Football League, the Sandhogs ran away with Perkins A.C., 40 to 0, and the Flying Dutchmen trounced Mt. Winans, 25-0, at Druid Hill Park.

DUTCHMEN (25) — MT. WINANS (0)
Benson LE Richardson
H. Green LT Hunt
A. Green LG Carter
R. Jackson C Walters
McCoy RG Fielding
Barnes RT Curry
Ray RE Howard
Grey QB Wicker
Powers LH Greene
P. Jackson RH Grant
Butler FB Sims
Officials: Thomas, umpire; Shaffey, referee; Schenck, headlineman.

SAND HOGS (40) — PERKINS (0)
Howard LE Smith
Young LT Mason
Palin LG Bailey
Z. Stevenson C Mack
Brown RG Thomas
Brown RT E. Handy
Bright RE Orange
Bundy QB C. Handy
Cole LH J. Evans
Hicks RH McCoy
Brisco FB Lindsay
Officials: Coates, umpire; Shaffey, referee; Schenck, headlineman.

Douglass High Teams to Play Tilt Tonight

The Douglass High varsity *Ducks will tangle with the Douglass Evening High quintet tonight (Friday)* on the Douglass court, the *opening* whistle being set for 8 o'clock.

This will mark the first important clash of the season for both teams and a large crowd is expected to see these rivals in action.

Owls Are Bolstered

The Evening High Owls have been bolstered by the return of nine regulars, plus the addition of six new men. Veterans on the squad are: Gibson, Gross, A. Smith, R. Pearson, Wheatley, Strickland, Tibbs, Dorsey, and Johnson.

New players include Watson, Simms, Hickerson, Check, Hackett, and Hutchinson.

Duck Gibson's Ducks, on the other hand, are showing up well, also. This bids fair to be one of the most successful seasons the Ducks have enjoyed in several years and tonight's fray will be the tip-off.

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Around the Bowling Alleys

With the Arcade tightening its grip on first place, an interesting race is underway for runner-up post in the Major Bowling League, among the Twentieth Century, Jolly Five, Orioles and Regent Five.

Last week the Arcades took the Jolly Five, Orioles beat Twentieth Century and the Regent Five topped the Imperials to further scramble affairs.

E Marsell smashed the high single and three-game mark with 156 and 384, respectively.

In the Junior Bowling League, although losing two games, the Altons still hold a four-game lead. The Arcade Juniors took the Altons into camp, 2-1, with the East Baltimore Stars falling victims to the Recreation Juniors in Friday's plays.

STANDINGS
Junior League

	W.	L.	Pct.
Altons	16	5	.762
Arcade Juniors	12	9	.571
Recreation Juniors	9	12	.429
E. Balto Stars	5	16	.238

Major League

	W.	L.	Pct.
Arcade Stars	17	4	.777
Twentieth Century	13	12	.555
Jolly Five	12	13	.511
Orioles	14	13	.518
Regent Five	12	13	.444
Imperials	5	22	.185

ALTONS

Tighman	82	93	115—307
Davis	85	77	83—245
Nolan	86	77	76—239
Bacon	86	86	86—258
Stanley	100	102	91—303
TOTALS	457	442	466 1365

ARCADE

W. Wall	111	99	89—299
R. Dorsey	83	87	84—253
A. Henderson	80	106	95—281
Ed. Jones	80	80	78—238
R. Watts	97	103	90—290
TOTALS	451	473	430 1354

EAST BALTIMORE STARS

A. Lee	85	86	86—257
Z. Lee	85	96	96—277
J. Wood	85	101	106—300
J. Rigas	85	94	105—284
E. Hall	85	94	105—284
TOTALS	425	428	470 1333

RECREATION

L. Jefferson	100	99	96—275
Brown	83	99	84—266
E. Seeley	96	89	95—280
Q. Spratley	94	94	75—263
A. Jefferson	105	79	86—270
TOTALS	465	460	433 1358

ARCADE STARS

G. Myers	119	131	111—361
Purvis	98	83	93—274
Batts	104	112	104—320
T. Morsell	105	113	125—343
E. Morsell	123	93	102—318
TOTALS	553	513	573 1620

JOLLY FIVE

Scales	97	80	82—259
Davis	93	90	86—269
Strong	106	96	113—315
Diggs	118	84	100—299
Blair	106	91	112—311
TOTALS	519	451	493 1453

IMPERIALS

H. Williams	80	73	—156
Boardley	105	94	85—284
Griffin	103	89	95—287
Knowland	93	107	—200
L. Stanley	91	104	83—278
C. Stanley		93	91—184
Maker		91	—91
TOTALS	461	448	470 1379

REGENT NO. 5

Scott	87	93	92—272
A. Taylor	93	94	83—269
J. Taylor	100	94	98—292
Gaskins	93		92
Mondall	96	130	103—329
Johnson		94	108—203
TOTALS	469	501	484 1454

ORIOLES

J. Hunter	99	102	100—301
L. Davis	88	85	85—258
E. Judson	100	99	117—321
J. Webster	114	111	103—328
E. Hunter	113	130	117—360
TOTALS	519	556	530 1605

TWENTIETH CENTURY

Palmer	89	103	83—283
Scott	99	97	75—271
Brown	130	101	103—334
Sim	100	108	96—304
Budd	86	96	105—287
TOTALS	514	503	440 1456

ON OHIO GUNT
By Simeon Booker, Jr.

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio—Jimmie Smith and Tommie Robinson, Youngstown College basketers, have played in the first three games of the season.

Baltimore "5" Defeated by Miner Quintet

WASHINGTON

Led by their dependable guard and captain, Buck Coleman, who sank 13 points, Miner Teachers' College scored a 67-57 victory over the Baltimore A. C. Collegians in the Georgia Avenue School gym Tuesday.

The game closed preliminary tilts for the teachers who travel to Hampton, Va., Saturday for their first contest against the Hampton Pirates.

To Play Coppin

Upon their return, the Teachers will roll over to Baltimore for a battle with Coppin Teachers' College before taking a Christmas vacation.

Meanwhile, Howard University's quintet is priming for a strenuous campaign. Coach Johnny Burr has the veterans working at night and the huge freshman squad going through the paces in the afternoon.

Although the Bisons' C.I.A.A. card does not open until after the vacation period, several contests are being arranged for next week.

MINER				BALTO. COLLEGIANS			
	G	F	P		G	F	P
Henley f	1	3	11	Williams f	2	2	6
Drewry f	3	0	6	Campbell f	1	4	6
Wiggins f	1	0	2	Wells c	4	3	11
Barnard c	2	1	5	Wattle c	2	1	5
Mack c	6	0	12	Mason c	1	0	2
Boyd g	2	0	4	Carter g	0	0	0
Covington g	6	1	13	Jones g	8	3	19
Curtis g	3	0	6	Brown g	0	0	0
Smith g	0	0	0				
Gibson g	0	0	0				
Totals	27	13	67	Totals	22	13	57

Sugar Hill Eleven Tops Perkins A.C.

Horton, quarterback, scored three touchdowns as the Sugar Hill Bears trimmed the Perkins Athletic Club, 20 to 7, at Druid Hily Park Saturday.

Horton ran 70 yards for the first marker, after intercepting a pass on his own 30.

Oriole Cafe Bowlers Beat All-Star Unit

In a special match the Oriole Cafe Boys defeated the All Star Girls, Thursday by 34 pins. The final score was 1090 to 1056.

S. Gordon paced the winners with 215. Wall shooting high for the girls.

ORIOLES

W. Harris	75	95	98—	268
M. Harris	83	84	92—	259
J. Myers	95	92	93—	280
S. Gordon	113	89	93—	295
Totals	366	370	354—	1090

ALL STAR GIRLS

A. Powell	89	90	89—	268
R. Murray	97	77	86—	260
J. Wall	103	90	96—	289
H. Robinson	73	88	78—	239
Totals	362	345	349—	1056

Officials Sponsor an Interpretation Meet

The Eastern Board of Officials collaborated with Howard University in holding an interpretation meeting for new basketball rules in the university gymnasium Tuesday night.

High school, collegiate and independent team coaches, managers and players attended.

Professor John H. Burr, head of the physical education department at Howard; Harold D. Martin, coach at Miner Teachers' College, and Edgar F. Westmoreland, basketball coach at Armstrong High School, officiated.

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MORGAN NO. 1 TEAM OVER 5-YEAR MARK

BALTIMORE —Football records of the Colored Intercollegiate Athletic Association for the last half decade reveal that the Morgan College Bears head the Big Parade by a wide margin.

From 1933 through this season, the Bears have amassed a total of thirty conference victories against five ties and no defeats.

In the thirty-five games the locals have scored a total of 837 points to the opposition's 102.

In Class by Itself

This gives Morgan a five-year percentage of 1.000, placing the team at the head of the nation's colleges as well as the CIAA. This mark surpasses any record made by any of the country's leading, while college teams. Alabama, in the last five years, has won 43 games, lost three and tied three.

The records of the country's No. 1 colored and white college teams compare like this:

	W.	L.	T.	Pct.	Tp.	Opp.
Morgan	30	0	5	1.000	837	102
Alabama	40	3	3	.890	1034	172

It might be explained further that the following record of CIAA teams involves ONLY conference games while the white college group lists both conference and non-conference games of each team.

As a matter of fact, in the last seven years, Morgan has been undefeated in forty-eight consecutive games, a mark comparable to any in football's history.

Bluefield Is Runner-Up

Over the 5-year period, Bluefield placed second with a percentage of .740, including twenty victories, seven losses, and eight ties. Minnesota has the runner-up post among the white colleges with thirty-three victories, three losses, an. four ties. The five-year records of the two groups follow:

	W.	L.	T.	Pct.	Tp.	Opp.
Morgan	30	0	5	1.000	837	102
Bluefield	20	7	8	.740	447	139
Lincoln	19	7	6	.725	416	139
Union	21	13	7	.617	426	232
A. and T.	22	14	5	.594	426	330
Va. State	21	15	5	.583	533	323
N.C. College	17	16	2	.519	292	410
Shaw	11	20	0	.354	181	447
Howard	8	18	2	.333	156	362
J. C. Smith	7	16	0	.307	160	344
St. Paul	7	22	1	.250	157	502
Lincoln	5	18	2	.217	140	383
St. Augustine	1	13	1	.092	82	328

*St. Augustine has been a member of the CIAA only since 1934.

WHITE TEAMS

	W.	L.	T.	Pct.	Tp.	Opp.
Alabama	40	3	3	.930	1034	172
Minnesota	33	3	4	.917	915	188
Pitt	40	4	4	.900	814	153
La State	37	5	3	.861	1016	211
Holy Cross	30	6	4	.807	879	211
Western Res.	29	6	1	.814	804	218
Duke	32	8	1	.833	1018	311
Princeton	27	6	2	.817	499	111
Michigan State	32	7	1	.821	898	218
Fordham	29	7	5	.800	604	222
Ohio State	30	8	1	.788	850	167
Nebraska	33	8	3	.786	666	270
North Carolina	30	10	4	.732	1000	316
Dartmouth	30	10	4	.732	1002	310
Villanova	27	10	3	.711	567	211
Army	25	11	1	.681	1032	271
Duquesne	26	12	1	.680	817	198
Texas Christian	41	13	5	.750	970	300
Colorado	27	13	1	.750	647	207
Santa Clara	32	11	2	.744	613	188
Fordham	30	11	2	.730	488	207
Stanford	31	12	0	.721	620	301
Centenary	27	12	0	.720	607	202
Texas Tech	33	13	4	.717	717	340
Dayton	31	13	1	.703	640	316
California	29	13	3	.706	843	275
St. Mary's	27	12	3	.675	608	300
Tennessee	31	15	3	.674	782	350
Denver	29	15	3	.674	567	300
*Georgia | 31 | 16 | 3 | .660 | 697 | 433 |
Catholic U | 27 | 14 | 4 | .658 | 641 | 323 |
George Wash. | 27 | 14 | 4 | .658 | 641 | 323 |
Bucknell | 23 | 15 | 1 | .559 | 604 | 331 |

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King Kong to Meet Jack Trammell Sat.

NEW YORK—King Kong Mathews, sensational K.O. artist from the Louisiana Bayous, returns to Rockland Palace Saturday night to meet Jack Trammell, hard-hitting Ohio heavyweight in the main event of ten rounds.

This is by far the biggest test King Kong has had to date.

STUDENTS AND PRESS OKAY ANTLYNCHING MEASURE

NEW YORK—The influential Nashville Tennessean and the North Carolina conference of student YMCA and YWCA delegates have just given full endorsement to the Antlynching Bill now before the Senate.

Wings A.C. Defeats St. Mary's by 41-39

The Wings Athletic Club defeated St. Mary's Industrial School's basketball team Sunday by 41 to 39.

L. Snowden and E. Brown, with 28 points between them, led the scorers.

For games with the Wings, communicate with Earle Brown, 277 Oxford Street.

YMCA All Stars to Meet White Quintet Sat.

The YMCA All-Stars will swing into action on their home court on Saturday night, at 8 o'clock, against the Home Boys, white.

An added attraction in this extravaganza will bring together two of the strongest girl quintets in the city.

The Home Boys lead their loop at the Central YMCA and will wage one of the most heated hardwood clashes ever staged in the local gym.

Head Stars' Attack

The All-Stars offense will be built around Sweet Boy Shepard, one of the most promising players of the city; Joe Haines, who is at home at any position on the court, and Kent Kennard.

These three will not be able to outshine Baby Burns, who can hold his own under any circumstance.

The other members of the team are Sleepy Wake, Squat Davis, Mel Shorter, Billy Gibson, Douglass and Dead Eye Burke.

In the preliminary the strong Cretton five will represent the girls from Providence. The Cretons eked out a one-point victory in their last meeting.

All Stars Eke Out Win Over Horsemen

The P.S. 133 All-Stars turned the tables on the Horsemen in a bitterly contested battle on Tuesday night, 24-20, at School 133.

Bailey was easily the standout of the game, piling up 16 points to lead the scoring.

The fans were continually begging to their feet by the fast breaking, almost perfect passing of both teams. Cardozo's defense especially was outstanding for the Horsemen.

Horsemen (20)		All-Stars (24)	
	G F P		G F P
Sye f	0 0 0	Graf f	2 1 5
Smith f	3 3 9	C. Johnson f	0 0 0
Payne c	3 1 7	Brown c	0 0 0
Irving c	0 1 1	Thompson c	0 1 1
Cunningham g	0 0 0	Carter c	0 1 1
Armstrong g	1 1 3	Trusty g	0 1 1
Irvin g	0 0 0		
Totals	7 6 6	Totals	9 6 11

Another One of Those Things

BY the AFRO SPORTS EDITOR

To our attention this week comes another such occurence of the type that cannot and does not help the advancement of sports in Baltimore. For several weeks Abdella Campbell, a boxing enthusiast and instructor, has been struggling trying to line up a representative amateur boxing aggregation here, thus reviving an almost extinct sport insofar as this city is concerned.

Interest was increasing rapidly and things looked rosy. Then complications developed. Disagreements between Campbell and others interested, both directly and indirectly, in the promotion of this idea served to wreck the plan. Whether or not the sudden interest resurrected among the youngsters and prospective customers in regard to boxing here can be maintained is problematical. We all agree, however, that chances of success in anything are stumped when disharmony creeps in.

Thus Baltimore has shown its wonderful knack of development again—that of climbing one step in order to bounce back two.

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THE Sport Broadcast BY LEON H. HARDWICK

ALONG THE SPORTS TRAIL

Rolling up to Lincoln University early Friday morn with George Spaulding and Coaches Eddie (Knute Rockne) Hurt and Marse (Hunk Anderson) Hill, of Morgan College, to attend the twenty-sixth CIAA conference, your correspondent enjoyed himself listening to things like this:

"It was one of the grandest trips in my life!"

Marse Hill was doing the chanting anent a recent trip he and Hurt made down to Orlando, Fla., to witness the Hampton-Florida Aggies Orange Bowl Classic.

"I never saw so many oranges and ate so much chicken," he continued. "And lemons—boy, lemons big as watermelons just begging to be plucked."

Oh yeah? Brer Hurt had produced a massive object he called a lemon earlier that morning at his home so we didn't find it so difficult to swallow that one. Modest Eddie wouldn't say anything about it, but I learned that he was forced to play the big shot celebrity's role down that. Everywhere he went he was besieged by autograph-seekers and curious high school coaches and fans-at-large.

"The dean of colored coaches," they call him. And one prince of a fellow in all respects. That was the consensus of opinion among his rival coaches at the CIAA confab. Chief sideline topic at all in-between sessions, at the dinner table and during the Friday night bullfests was the Morgan-Virginia game Thanksgiving. With Brer Marse Hill leading the Morgan gun-bearers, and Tom Verdell, assistant coach at State and former Northwestern University linesman, and Howard coach, heading the other side. Post mortem pointers about how different things would have been IF this thing or that had or hadn't happened. And far on into the night. Tom proved himself a good loser, however.

"We never figured Morgan could do that to us," chirped Verdell time and again. "We knew we had a tough customer but not that tough. I think it would have made a world of difference if we had lost that game to Morris Brown the week previous. After the boys had murdered Morris Brown, 38-0, one of the South's best teams, they really got it into their heads they were invincible; that their power would and could crush ANYTHING. They didn't fear Morgan or anybody else. But that's no alibi. The way Morgan played that day, I don't think there is a team in the country that could have taken them."

All the while, Brer Edie was chuckling in silence and Brer Marse was chuckling in loud-voiced tones. "Sure, I'll tell the world, this 1937 team is the GREATEST in Morgan's history," piped Brer Marse time and again. "The '33 team with that mighty backfield of Tank Conrad and Otis Troupe, Sturgis, and Wilson were my pets but there were other weaknesses. However, for fight, guts, a well balanced combination and brains, this year's team wins the award by a mile. What a bunch of fellows! What a team, what a team!"

I quite agree with Brer Marse. What a team, indeed!

The coaches and this writer got together between puffs and ripples Friday night in one of the fellow's rooms and picked out what we could call the perfect ALL-CIAA team for 1937. Here are our findings:

FIRST TEAM

Lampkin, Morgan, fullback; Briscoe, Virginia State, and Lynch, A. and T., halfbacks; Gordon, Morgan, quarter; White, Howard, and Brown, Union, ends; Mosby, Morgan, and Jackson, Lincoln, tackles; Craddock, Union, and Ryan, Morgan, guards; Sowell, Morgan, center.

The two-day session was harmony personified, so we didn't have any fun much. Didn't even have a single fight between Morgan's little Eddie and State's big Jeff. Somebody must have tricked us.

This week's mail brought the following from Gid Smith, Hampton coach.

I note in your column of December 4, of the AFRO-AMERICAN your Sport Broadcast that you ask why Hampton was chosen to play Florida A. and M. College instead of some of the other higher rated colleges in the CIAA.

The game was scheduled last December at about the same time that the Hampton-South Carolina State game was. Neither South Caroiina State nor Florida A. and M. College at that date knew that Hampton would be kicked to the bottom of the CIAA heap. Probably a consultation with a competent football expert would have been a wise move for them to have made; but being only coaches and athletic directors, the athletic heads of the institutions involved thought it would be a good thing to establish athletic relationship with each other.

Our "Third Rate Team" played out its contracted game with the championship Rattlers; got a good beating, had a great time eating oranges, grape fruit, and many other delicious citrus fruits after the battle and is now back with probably enough vitamin stored up to make the first or second division