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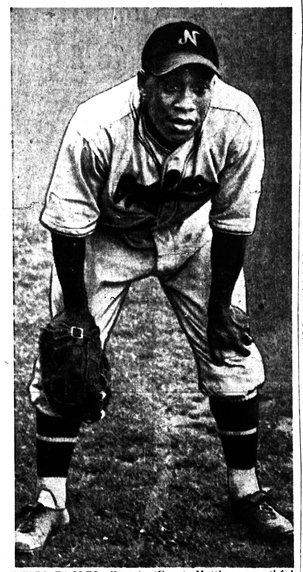

HELPS EAGLES—Francis (Fran) Matthews, youthful first baseman of the Newark Eagles, whose spectacular play has been one of the contributing factors in the Eagles' victory streak of eight straight National League games. Matthews, who will be among an array of rival stars when the Eagles play the Baltimore Elites in the opening game of the four-team twin bill here Sunday, is a graduate of Rindge Tech, Cambridge, Mass., and has been with the Eagles since 1938.

Lead at Stake in Four-Team Twin Bill

Elites Play Eagles, Stars Meet Yanks

Baltimore Club Must Win to Keep Pace with Grays

By ART CARTER
AFRO Sports Editor

The Baltimore Elite Giants will be facing a stern test Sunday, when they open the big diamond attraction at Oriole Park, clashing with the rejuvenated Newark Eagles in the initial game of the Negro National League double-header, the first four-team twin bill played by league teams in this city in many moons.

The Elites will battle the Eagles in the opening tilt slated for 2 p.m., and the Philadelphia Stars will cross bats with the New York Black Yankees in the nightcap. Because of the 6 o'clock curfew law imposed on the Elites, arrangements have been made to dispense with intermission and start the second game immediately after conclusion of the first — thereby assuring fans of two full games.

Bitter Battle

The Elite-Eagle game will be a bitter battle in which the Elites, champions of 1939, must win to keep pace in the torrid race for the 1940 championship. The Baltimore aggregation is currently tied with the Homestead Washington Grays for the lead and a loss to the Eagles would virtually knock them out of the running.

The Grays play the Cubans a double-header in Louisville, Ky., while the Elites are playing here and a twin win over the Island-ers, which is not unlikely, would put them way out in front — perhaps too far for the Elites to overtake before the season ends.

The Eagles, revamped with a host of young players and fired with an ambition to upset the victory march of the Elites and Grays, who have been dominating league play this season, have triumphed in their last eight league games.

The Elites have twice been the victims of the Newark rampage, thereby stirring a revenge motive in the breasts of the Wilson-owned aggregation.

Preview of Stars

In addition, the games will be a preview of the East stars, who will carry the hopes of the National League in the annual East-West classic on August 18 at Chicago, inasmuch as the majority of the individual stars who are leading the poll for the classic will be on hand for the four-team attraction.

With the exception of the stars of the Grays and the Cubans, all of the players now on top in the fans' balloting will be seen in action in the double offering.

Among the standout pitchers scheduled to hurl are Henry McHenry, Philly Stars' pitching and batting hero, who is one of the league's best; Lefty Jim Hill, 20-year-old Newark southpaw ace; Roy Williams of the New York Black Yankees, and Ace Adams, Hank Hubert and Nat Moreland of the Elites. All are among the leaders in the East-West game balloting.

A host of batting luminaries will also be in the star-studded line-ups of the four nines, including Mule Suttles, the veteran home-run king; Roy Parnell and Ben Benson of the Philly Stars; Johnny Washington and Bill Bess of the New York Yankees, and the Elites' slugging sensations, Bill Hoskins, George Scales, Roy Campanello and Tom Butts, young shortstop, who has been clouting the ball at a terrific clip of late.

Clarkson to Play

Add to this a list of the sensational fielders on the teams, Reds Moore and Jim West, rival first-baseman of the Elites and Stars; Sam Hughes and Felton Snow of the Elites; Henry Spearman of the Yankees; Bus Clarkson and Monty Irvin of the Eagles, and the sparkling array is just about the greatest collection of colored diamond talent ever seen in action at one time in this neck of the woods.

Down in Memphis

In a night game at Bugle Field, Monday, the Elites trimmed over the Memphis Red Sox of the American League, which has been barnstorming in the East for the past ten days. Hack Hubert and Sam Barrow hurled for the Elites, while George Scales, Sam Hughes and Bill Curry led the 8-hit batting attack.

Box score:

Mondays' Game

Memphis (6)					Baltimore (8)				
	ab	r	h			ab	r	h	
Brooks cf-2b	5	2	0		Kimbrough cf	4	1	0	
Carter 2b	3	1	0		Suttles c	4	1	2	
Longley cf	3	0	2		Hughes 2b	4	2	2	
Williams rf	3	0	2		Bess rf	4	0	1	
Bradford ss	3	0	2		Snow 3b	3	2	1	
G.Brown c	3	0	0		Curry ss	4	2	2	
Taylor lf	3	0	2		Chapillon c	4	0	0	
Brown ss	3	0	1		Brown lf	4	0	0	
Stewart p	3	0	0		Hubert p	3	0	0	
Savage p	0	0	0		Hoskins p	1	0	0	
x-Powell	1	0	0		x-Hoskins	1	0	0	
x-Brewer	1	0	0						
Totals	38	4	9		Totals	39	8	8	

x Batted for T. Brown in 9th.
x Batted for Savage in 9th.
x Batted for Snow in 8th.

Score by innings —

Memphis Red Sox	102	0000	030	—	6	9	1
Baltimore Elite	201	030	20x	—	8	8	0

Errors — Bankhead, Suttles, Taylor. Hits — Two-base hits — Longley, Bradford. Three-base hits — Hughes, Sacrifice — Carter, Hubert. Stolen bases — Bankhead, Snow. Base on balls — Mathias 6, Hubert 5, Savage 4. Struck out by — Hubert 8, Stewart 4, Savage 3. Hits off — Hubert, 9 in 7 1-3 innings. Mathias 1 in 4 2-3 innings. Barrow 1 in 1 1-3 innings. Savage 1 in 1 innings. Stewart 9 in 9 innings. Left on bases — Memphis 12, Baltimore 11. Batted hit by — Mathias (Brown). Time — 2:00 min. Umpires — Brockman and Cornwell.

To the Victor, the Spoils

JIMMIE McDANIELS,
ATA singles champion, receives the award for his victory in the D.C. Open tennis championship, from John T. Rhines, grand lodge director of athletics of the Elks, at the Mall Courts, Washington. McDaniels is shown being presented the singles trophy while he holds the doubles award.

6 Elites Hitting Over .300 Mark

George Scales, Roy Campanello and Tommy Butts are still showing the way for the Baltimore Elites at bat, figures released by the team statistician revealed Thursday. Scales tops the list with a healthy average of .408, with Campanello next with .359, and Butts right on his heels with .350. The averages are based solely on league games.

Three other players, Felton Snow, Bill Hoskins and Sam Hughes are hitting over the .300 mark. The averages are:

Player	pos	g	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	av.
George Scales	util	28	71	19	29	10	0	3	33	44	.408
Roy Campanello	c	14	53	15	19	4	2	4	19	41	.359
Thomas Butts	ss	31	117	27	41	6	0	0	15	47	.350
Felton Snow	3b	29	94	14	31	6	2	1	16	22	.330
William Hoskins	lf	27	91	19	28	9	0	5	30	38	.308
Samuel Hughes	2b	31	116	28	34	7	1	4	30	53	.302
Henry Kimbro	cf	31	112	32	26	4	2	0	12	14	.232
William Perkins	c	30	99	29	22	5	0	1	10	14	.222
Homer Curry	rf	4	14	33	33	0	0	0	2	3	.214
James Moore	1b	31	109	20	22	6	1	0	15	19	.202
		31	879	218	256	57	8	18	172	275	.281

McDaniels Whips White Champion in D.C. Match

WASHINGTON

Davie Johnson, white, recent winner of the Middle Atlantic tennis championship and one of the most recent trip, paper were given for the first fish caught, the largest caught and the highest number of fish caught.

James Bowling acted as commodore and referee. He also won the prize for the largest fish, a 4½-pound catch. Dr. John E. T. Camper caught the largest number of fish and Harold Bryant caught the first fish. Bryant's prize was $1, while the others received prizes of $2.

The next Falcon trip is scheduled for August 20, with non-members invited.

Accept Challenge

The Falcons have been challenged by the Gwynns Falls Gun Club, a white organization and have accepted the challenge. The shoot is scheduled for August 25, at the Gwynns Falls range, located on Sulphur Spring Road near the Washington Boulevard.

A return match between the clubs will probably be held at the Falcon range in October.

Falcons Card Fishing Trip and Gun Match

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Leaders Upset in 133 All-for-Glory Meet

With every event hotly contested, Playground 133 held its weekly All-for-Glory meet. New men replaced the point winners of last week.

George Diggs and Clifton Yorkman led the 70-pound class with 10 points each. Joen Giles had 9 points in the 85-pound division, and S. Allen, with two firsts and a second, took the 100-pound class laurels.

Albert Smith had the 120-pound class in a dither, winning all of his events with ease, to score 15 points.

Sum-up:

70-POUND CLASS

40-YARD DASH—Won by George Diggs; second, C. Yorkman; third, A. Costalaro. Time—5 seconds.

STANDING BROAD JUMP—Won by George Diggs; second, L. Coupland; third, C. Yorkman; fourth, J. Singleton. Distance—8 feet 1½ inch.

OVERHEAD DODGE BALL THROW—Won by C. Yorkman; second, J. Singleton. Distance—27 feet 8½ inches.

85-POUND CLASS

50-YARD DASH—Won by I. Stewart; second, J. Giles; third, S. Jackson; fourth, H. Jones.

TWO STANDING BROAD JUMP — Won by J. Giles; second, R. Thomas; third, S. Jackson; fourth, I. Stewart. Distance—11 feet 3 inches.

OVERHEAD DODGE BALL THROW —Won by H. Jones; second, R. Thomas; third, S. Jackson; fourth, J. Giles. Distance—37 feet 7½ inches.

100 POUND CLASS

50-YARD DASH—Won by J. Parrish; second, S. Allen; third, G. Macklin; fourth, S. Bailey.

RUNNING BROAD JUMP—Won by S. Allen; second, J. Parrish; third, L. Lewis; fourth, S. Bailey. Distance—11 feet 8 inches.

OVERHEAD THROW—Won by S. Allen; second, R. Branch; third, S. Bailey; fourth, L. Lewis. Distance—36 feet 9½ inches.

110-POUND CLASS

70-YARD DASH—Won by A. Smith; second, J. Jacobs; third, D. Hady; fourth, R. Bailey.

RUNNING BROAD JUMP—Won by A. Smith; second, D. Hady; third, J. Jacobs; fourth, J. Butler. Distance—12 feet 4 inches.

OVERHEAD THROW—Won by A. Smith; second, L. Parker; third, J. Jacobs; fourth, D. Hady. Distance—36 feet 3 inches.

Montgomery, Jenkins Open Training Camps

PHILADELPHIA.

Lew Jenkins, champion of the welterweights, is scheduled to start his training Friday at Haddonfield, N.J., as he grids for the 10-round non-title bout with Bob Montgomery, Philadelphia contender, at Shibe Park on Monday night, August 19.

Howling Hymie Caplin, the colorful Brooklynite who manages the titleholder, has secured an outdoor site, the Batesville A. C. Arena in nearby Haddonfield. The Texan, who has been engaging in preliminary drills at Pompton Lakes, is expected to start boxing in his first day at the South Jersey drill base.

Montgomery, winner of 28 of his 31 pro engagements, is now busily engaged in training at Bacon Jimmy Dougherty's ancient hostelry in Leipzerville, Pa., 13 miles from Philadelphia on the Chester Pike.

South Atlantic AAU Meet on August 31

The South Atlantic AAU track and field meet has been arranged for August 31, with all standard events on the program with the exception of relays.

Many Baltimore cinder stars are currently training for the events and others plan to get in shape for the meet.

ADVANCES IN CHECKER PLAY

William Brown pulled a surprise in the checker tournament at Playground 133 this week and has gone into the quarter-finals.

Richard Brown is leading the paddle tennis tournament.

Bids Out for AAU Swim Meet

WASHINGTON

The fifteenth annual National AAU swimming and diving championships will be held in the Bannecker Swimming Pool, Friday and Saturday, August 23 and 24. The Friday session is scheduled for 8 p.m., while the Saturday meeting will be held at 2:30 p.m.

Many outstanding performers are scheduled to appear this year, among whom will be Detroit's crack natators, appearing in the East for the first time.

Atlanta was one of the new teams appearing last year in the Nationals as was Durham. These teams will compete again this year with New York, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Petersburg.

Joins Giants' Staff

IN BALTIMORE—Ben Taylor, former manager of the old Baltimore Black Sox and more recently coach of the Cuban Stars, who quit the latter club and joined Dr. Joe Thomas's Edgewater Giants as coach and assistant manager Friday. Taylor will make his first appearance with the club Sunday in Washington.

Piedmonts Take Double-Header

The Piedmont Tigers won two games Sunday, downing the Port Deposit Black Sox, 8-6 and 2-0.

Plaisted, ace Tiger hurler, won his eighth game of the season, while Carter, who hurled the nightcap, registered his fourth triumph.

A single by Simms in the third inning of the second tilt was the lone hit that garnered off Carter and prevented the Tiger pitcher from hurling a no-hit, no-run game.

The Tigers will play the Sparrows Point A.C. Sunday at Piedmont Oval.

The box score of first game follows:

PIEDMONT				PORT DEPOSIT			
	ab	r	h		ab	r	h
Alex, cf-2b	5	2	2	Jones, rf	3	1	3
Ford, 2b	5	1	2	McSladen, 3b	3	1	1
Gibbs, rf	4	2	2	DiOrfeo, ss	3	0	0
Simms, ss	4	0	1	Wilson, 1b	3	0	0
Plaisted, p	4	1	2	Griffen, c	3	0	0
Parker, 1b	4	0	1	Boddy, cf	3	0	2
Tracy, c	4	0	0	Simms, cf	3	0	1
Corbett, c	4	0	0	Roberson, lb	4	1	1
Williams, rf	4	2	2	Johnson, p	2	0	0
Houston, cf	2	0	1				
Totals	37	8	10	Totals	29	3	8

Port Deposit 000 200 030—5
Piedmont Tigers 000 000 020—2

Errors — Griffen, Chapel, Roberson, Johnson, Griffen, Parker.

2-Base Hits — Alexander, Vandevall.

Sacrifice — Gilbert, McSladen, Roberson.

Stolen Bases — Jones, B. Griffen, Colbert, Wright, Alexander.

Base on Balls — Gibbs, Church.

Struck Out By — Johnson, 4, Plaisted, 6.

Double Plays — D. Griffen, Church, Roberson.

Left on Bases — Port Deposit, 7; Tigers, 4.

Umpires — Brockman and Cornwell.

Lead at Stake in BAAA Games

The Harlems will meet the Tigers and the Asarcos will play the Marylanders on Sunday at Druid Hill Park to decide the winner of the second half of the BAAA Baseball League. Much excitement is astir concerning these games because of the league standing. The first game will start at 2 p.m.

The "ifs" have this to say: If the Asarcos win they will meet the Harlems, winner of the first half in a three-game series for the championship. Should the Marylanders win and the Harlems lose, the Asarco and the Marylanders will play the tie-off for the second half. Should the Marylanders, the Harlems and the Asarcos win, a triple tie between these teams will be precipitated, necessitating a play-off.

Since there are so many possibilities involved, no definite arrangements could be made for the play-off.

A large crowd is expected to be on hand to witness these games which will be a battle of wits. Jim Mello expects to start Jim Clayton on the mound for the Marylanders against Jim Parrott of the Asarco and Jim Dutton of the Harlems will hurl against Jim Wynn of the Tigers.

BAAA STANDINGS

	Win	Lose	Pct.
Asarco	1	0	1.000
Marylanders	5	1	.800
Harlems	5	1	.800
Tigers	4	2	.600

Brimstone Still Leads in Eastern Loop at 133

The Dodge City ten lost a heartbreaker to the Virginia City team, 5-3, this week in the Eastern Softball League.

Dodge City held a two-run lead until the sixth inning, when a blocked ball gave the Virginia City ten runs to tie the score. Then Dodge City went to pieces, letting two more runs cross the plate.

The Brimstone Juniors Jumped on the All-Stars and gave them a 3-0 lacing. Both teams had five hits, but the Brimstones hit at the right time. T. Quinn's slow ball fooled the All-Stars.

STANDING

	W.	L.	Pct.
Brimstone Jrs.	3	1	.750
All Stars	2	1	.666
Dodge City	2	2	.500
Hustlers	1	1	.500
Virginia City	1	1	.500
Hill A.C.	0	3	.000

Finos Strengthen Hold on League Lead

The Finos softball team took a strong hold on first place in the BAAA league this week by defeating the Lucky Strike team, 5-1, at P.S. No. 122. Earl Lee, hard-hitting outfielder, led the victor batting attack with three out of four hits.

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