BIGGEST BECAUSE IT'S THE BEST!

Boxing Ranks Reshuffled In February Ratings

By CHARLES J. LIVINGSTON

CHICAGO (ANP) — The February (1957) ring ratings, released by The Ring magazine, show a number of changes, with the most prominent being the emergence of Floyd Patterson as heavyweight champion and the replacement of Sugar Ray Robinson as middleweight ruler by Gene Fullmer.

There were numerous other reshufflings.

The heavyweight division received a good going over. Archie Moore, until beaten by Patterson last Nov. 30, the recognized top challenger, was moved down to the No 2 challenger's spot, a notch behind Hurricane Jackson. Harold Carter, Linden, N.J., newcomer is No. 3, followed by Eddie Machen, perhaps the best of the contenders. Willie Pastrano was moved down a notch to make room for Carter and Machen.

IN THE middleweight division, Robinson was still rated as champ. But the Ring went to press before Ray was wrestling out of his title in the recent Madison Square Garden brawl. No doubt Ray will get at least the No. 2 contender's spot, topped by Charlie Humez of France and followed by his comeback nemesis, Ralph (Tiger) Jones.

Similar changes were recorded in the other divisions, but there was no other replacement of champions. The ratings follow:

Heavyweight Champion: Floyd Patterson, Brooklyn. 1, Tommy Jackson, Far Rockaway, N.Y.; 2, Archie Moore, San Diego, Calif.; 3, Harold Carter, Linden, N.J.; 4, Eddie Machen, Redding, Calif.; 5, Willie Pastrano, New Orleans, La.; 6, Bob Baker, Pittsburgh, Pa.; 7, Rex Satterfield, Chicago; 8, Ingemar Johansson, Sweden; 9, Johnny Summerlin, Chicago; and 10, Zora Folley, Chandler, Ariz.

Light-heavyweight Champion: Archie Moore, Contenders: 1, Gerhard Hecht, Germany; 2, Hans Stretz, Germany; 3, Yolande Pompey, Trinidad, B.W.I.; 5, Tony Anthony, New York City; 6, Willie Vogt, Germany; 7, Charles Thomas, Prairie; 8, Will Hoepner, Germany; 9, Gordon Wallace, Canada, and 10, Dogomar Martinez, Uruguay.

Middleweight Champion: Gene Fullmer, West Jordan, Utah. Contenders: 1, Charles (Tiger) Humez (national choice); 2, Ray Robinson, New York City; 3, Ralph (Tiger) Jones, Yonkers, N.Y.; 4, Rory Calhoun, White Plains, N.Y.; 5, Bill Kinsworth (Spider), Webb, Chicago; 6, Joey Giardello, Philadelphia; 7, Neal Rivers, Las Vegas, Nev.; 8, Buddy Boyd, Chicago; 9, Charley Joseph, New Orleans, La., and 10, Jake Glanville, Buffalo, N.Y.

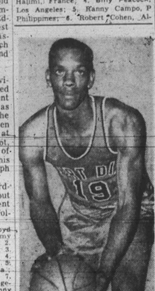
Welterweight Champion: Johnny Saxton, Brooklyn. Contenders: 1, Johnny Bratton, Chicago; 2, Art Aragon, Los Angeles, Calif.; 3, Carmen Basilio, Canastota, N.Y.; 4, Jose Stanislao, Argentina; 5, Gasper Ortega, Mexico; 6, Virgil Akins, St. Louis; 7, Kenny Vinor Martinez, Paterson, N.J.; 8, Joe Miceli, New York City; 9, Ralph Dupas, Puerto Rico, Los Angeles, and 10, Kenny Lane, Baltimore.

Lightweights — Champion: Joe Brown, New Orleans, La. Contenders: 1, Duilio Loi, Italy; 2, Kenny Lane, Mundelein, Ill.; 3, Larry Boardman, Marlboro, Conn.; 4, Wallace (Bud) Smith, Cincinnati, O.; 5, Cleo Anderson, Compton, Calif.; 6, Ralph Dupas, New Orleans, La.; 7, Ralph Gonzalez, Oakland, Calif.; 8, Jimmy Carter, New York City; 9, Orlando Zulueta, Cuba, and 10, Ludwig Lightburn, British Honduras (retired).

Featherweights—Champion: Sandy Saddler. Contenders: 1, Cherif Hamia, France; 2, Miguel Berrios, Puerto Rico; 3, Hogan (Kid) Bassey, Nigeria; 4, Cosmelo Costa, Honolulu; 5, Paul Jorgensen, Port Arthur, Texas; 6, Gabriel (Flash) Elorde, Philippines; 7, Cirio Morales, Cuba; 8, Victor (Sonny) Leon, Venezuela; 9, Jean Servais, Belgium, and 10, Ike Chestnut, New York City.

Bantamweight—Champion: Mario D'Agata, Italy. Contenders: 1, Raul (Raton) Macias, Mexico; 2, Leo Espinosa, Philippines; 3, Alphonse Halimi, France; 4, Billy Peacock, Los Angeles; 5, Kenny Campo, Philippines; 6, Robert Cohen, Algeria (retired); 7, German Ohm, Mexico; 8, Jose Lopes, Mexico; 9, Al Asuncion, Philippines, and 10, Fil Nava, Mexico.

Flyweight — Champion: Pascual Perez, Argentina. Contenders: 1, Dan Bower, Wales; 2, Memo Rivera, Mexico; 3, Young Martin, Spain; 4, Dagoy Kid, Philippines; 5, Hiroshi Misako, Japan; 6, Oscar Suarez, Cuba; 7, Aristide Pozzali, Italy; 8, Jake Tuli, South Africa (retired); 9, Robert Poisson, France, and 10, Bindi Jack, Australia.



PRO STAR NOW, GI — Pvt. Sihugo (Si) Green looks ready to net two points for the Fort Dix (N.J.) Burrs, defending 1st Army basketball champions. The ex-Duquesne University All-A-merican played with the professional Rochester Royals before entering the service.

Morgan in Philly, D.C. track meets

The Morgan State College track squad buckled down to a busy weekend in the infant indoor season, competing tonight (Friday) in the Philadelphia Inquirer meet in Philadelphia, and tomorrow (Saturday) in the Washington Evening Star Games in the National Guard Armory, Washington, D.C.

The Bear thinclads made their debut last week, placing in all events in which they competed in the Knights of Columbus meet in Boston.

Most impressive effort in the Hub opener was tallied by high jumper George Dennis of Atlantic City, N.J., who cleared the bar at 6 feet, 8 inches to place second behind Villanova's Olympic star, Phil Reavis, who jumped 6 feet, 9 inches.

Dennis' jumping mate, Robert (Bob) Barksdale of Norristown, placed third with a 6" jump.

COACH EDDIE HURT has Morgan entries in the mile relay, the high jump and the 50-yard dash in the Inquirer meet.

For his mile relay team, Hurt will call upon the same foursome which placed third in the Boston K of C meet, behind Villanova, whose 3:19.6 equaled the meet record, and Manhattan.

The quartet will be Wardell Stansbury, senior, Havre de Grace, Md.; Herbert Hollon, sophomore, Teaneck, N.J.; Gerald Harrison, junior, Lancaster, Pa.; and Robert McMurray, junior, Norwalk, Conn.

Stansbury, a half-miler, is a newcomer to the mile relay team, along with Hollon, who ran on last year's freshman team.

THIS SAME group will defend Morgan's Capital One Mile Relay championship in the Star games.

BARKSDALE AND Dennis will draw the high jump assignments in both upcoming meets, with Barksdale defending champion in the Star games. Linwood Morton, junior, Baltimore, and Bobby Gordon, sopomore, Columbia, S.C., are entered in the 50-yard dash in the Inquirer meet and in the sprint serie in the Evening Star games.

In addition to these participants, the Morgan squad will also compete in the freshman mile relay and the 880 and 1,000 yard runs in the D.C. meet.

Verlon Keller of Plainfield, N.J., Roland Merriweather of Philadelphia, Pa., Cecil Harris, New York City, and Virgil Jurgen of the Virgin Isalnds will run on the freshman team.

McKinley Crews of Boundbrook, N.J., and Robert Berry of Tarrytown, N.Y., will be entered in the 880 and 1,000 yard runs.

HERO'S WELCOME — Mayor Allen D. Tompkins welcomes Milt Campbell, 1956 Olympic decathlon winner, for City Hall ceremony marking Milt Campbell Day sponsored by the city of Plainfield and the interracial citizens' committee. Joining in the welcome is Lea E. Moon, machine repair chief, U.S. Navy and naval recruiting officer in Plainfield.

Howard's Syphax tops 2 CIAA cage departments

DURHAM, N.C. (CIAA News Service) — Six individual standouts in CIAA statistical columns for games played through last week are John Syphax, Howard (25.4) individual scoring leader; Frank Keith of Shaw, field goal front runner with 73 per cent in 10 games; Gilbert Riley of North Carolina, college free throw first with 82 per cent in 13 tilts; Frank Carr of Maryland, number one rebounder with 21.7 average in 12 games; and Syphax, single game high point man with 35 bucketed against St. Paul's.

Team leaders are Winston-Salem (9-0), offense with 82.5 per cent; and T (7-0), defense, holding foes to 59.5. Union, leaf goals and 88 free throws for his 49.6 per cent; and NCC, free with 69.1 per cent.

SYPHAX, the only double leader among individuals, hooped 254 points in the Bisons' first ten affairs. He scored 83 field goals and 38 free throws for his 25.4 average.

Against St. Paul's on Jan. 12, Syphax, connected on seven field goals and 21 free throws to tally 35 points to give him a two point lead over NCC's Sam Jones who basketed 33 points, 16 field goals and 13 free throws, against Morgan in Baltimore on December 15.

KEITH, THE SHAW cager made 69 of 94 field goals tried in 10 games for his leadership percentage of 73.4 per cent. Runner-up in this area in Winston-Salem's Wilfred John, who sank 63 of 100 attempts for 63 per cent.

Riley, who last week was averaging 85 per cent of his free throws in 11 games, this week is posting 82.6 per cent in 13 tests. He bucketed 38 of 46 in total completions. NCC teammates Jim Sligh, with 77.6 per cent and Sam Jones, 77.2 per cent are third and fourth. Runner-up in Bluefield's Rudy Sowell, who was accurate in 52 of his 66 tosses in nine games for 78.7 per cent.

CARR IS far out front among rebound competitors. In 12 games he grabbed a total of 261 for an average of 21.7. Runner-up is Delaware's Charlie Durden who has a 12.4 average in seven games.

Only eight points separating offensive leader Winston - Salem (82.5) from sixth ranking Fayetteville (74.6.) Runner-up NCC averaged 76.7 points to post identical totals with Bluefield. The Eagles are 10-3 and the Blues are 7-3. Morgan (6-4) is shotting 76.0 and Howard, 75.7.

THERE'S A 13-point spread between defensive top club A and T (7-0) which is holding opponents to 59.5 and seventh place Bluefield (7-3) whose foes are averaging 72.2. Runner-up St. Augustine's is yielding 61.9 in eight scraps in which the Falcons have a 5-3 record.

Union's top field goal percentage leadership of 49.6 compares with seventh ranking Virginia State's 40.5. Tom Marris' Panthers have zeroed 200 of 403 tried and the Trojans have hit the jackpot 243 times in their 600 efforts for a 40.5 per cent.

NCC continues as free throw leader. The Eagles got 25 of 366 69.1. per cent.

ESTA in '57 meet, re-elects Murphy

PHILADELPHIA—The Eastern Skeet and Trapshooting Association held its annual meeting Sunday, at the Pyramid Club here, with representatives from its nine member clubs in attendance.

Represented were Falcon Rod and Gun Club, Baltimore, Md.; Deep Sea Anglers, Washington, D.C.; Van Dyke, Princeton, N.J.; Twin Sycamore, Asbury Park, N.J.;

Main Line Gun and Beagle Club, Wayne, Pa.; Cornelius Six Points Rod and Gun Club, Coatsville, Pa.; Triangle Rod and Gun Club, Philadelphia; Royal Rod and Gun Club, Aquasco, Md.; and Patuxent Rod and Gun Club, Sandy Springs, Md.

Committee members from these clubs were:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Dr. Charles F. West, Leyton Weston, P. L. Jones, J. L. Dorsey, R. J. Moore, R. Curry, Joseph Black, Chester Archey, T. S. Snodsner Jr.; Theodore Rhoden, J. Hawkins, and Theodore Graves.

SCHEDULE COMMITTEE—James S. Banks, Fred Jackson, W. Travers, J. S. Woodward, W. Eaton, W. H. Phillips, W. Duvall, L. Crump, T. B. Snowden, F. Jackson, J. Chapman, and S. R. Thomas.

AUDITING COMMITTEE — Stansbury, Ann Nixon, and Clarence Harris.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS — Dr. R. Curry, Louis A. A. Johnson, Luther Crump, Chester Archey, Elizabeth McGibbons, and W. Eaton.

CLASSIFICATION—Dr. C. F. West, Rupert Curry, C. W. Howard, Theodore Rhoden and Henry A. Bates.

CONSTITUTION — Leyton Weston, Limas Winfield, S. A. Harmon, J. W. Travers, and DeCecelo.

VOTING COMMITTEE — Leo Robinson, J. DeCecelo, C. West, R. Curry, E. Johnson, C. Archey, J. Thomas Jr., J. Hawkins, and J. F. Wess.

In the president's address he pointed out that there hasn't been a sufficient program to warrant a greater participation of women shooters and that our youth program has been lagging. He gave praise and thanks to Rhoady McCoy of Deep Sea Anglers for his effort to help this movement.

INTRA-CLUB shoots are to be held as follows: Van Dyke, Princeton, N.J., April 28; Royal, Aquasco, Md., May 19; Triangle, Philadelphia, June 16.

The championship shoot will be staged by the Falcon Club, at Baltimore, Md., on July 21, Deep Sea Anglers, Washington, Sept. 1 and 2.

OFFICERS ELECTED and those retaining office were John H. Murphy Jr., president; Dr. E. B. Wetmore, senior vice president; Fred Jackson, second vice president; C. W. Howard, treasurer; Limas Winfield, assistant secretary; Mr. Knuckles, treasurer; Mrs. Annie Crump, publicity director; James Dorsey, sergeant at arms; N. Harris, chaplain; S. A. Harmon, chairman of executive committee.

F. Bylbrewood resigned his position as assistant secretary.

The Wiley Memorial Trophy was presented by Mr. Travers to Mr. Eaton for Falcon Rod and Gun Club, which was in first place for 1956, with a score of 666 out of 750.

On The Vannwagon

By EARL VANN

PHILADELPHIA

Many are the times we hear the old remark, that we wish for the "good old days" were here again.

There is a favorite barber shop in South Philly, where the old gang congregates, and discusses every topic from A to Z. So it was natural, we suppose, that this day the subject of baseball should arise.

"Gee, why don't the Black Meteors start again?, asked one guy. Said another gent, "Now there was the greatest baseball club ever to play in Philly."

We listened attentively at our two friends...and mention of the Black Meteors, started our minds going back to the early thirties.

If we may resort to being a historian, we recall vividly that the Black Meteor Club originated in the basement of the late Florence and George Black, prominent morticians in South Philly.

Both of these benevolent folks gathered into fold the young people of the neighborhood, and contributed greatly to the decrease of "children's crimes" as it was known in those days.

WHO WERE some of those youngers?

Randy Brock, Potlicker Williams, Charley Blunden, Roland Jones, Charley Obey, George Emery, Dr. Ben Holcombe, Kenneth King, Charles Tinsley, —just to name a few.

The first Black Meteor team was the forming of a social club, and then in the fall came the Black Meteor basketball team.

The drawing appeal of the basketball team was so successful, that it was a natural development that a baseball team followed.

This was the beginning of the Black Meteors becoming of age. For it was this baseball club that brought them top recognition on the Eastern Seaboard.

The first manager of the Meteors was our lifetime pal, Bob Smallwood. The first captain, a former athletic great, Joe Baylor. Under the leadership of these two baseball men, players from the entire city, Delaware County, and Wilmington were recruited.

Names local fans will never forget.

Thru the years the Meteors amassed an enviable and almost unbelievable record. From 1930 to 1940 this team won 450 games and lost 135.

Included among their victims were such teams as the late Otto Briggs, Bacharach, Giants, Penn. A.C., Mitchell, Wentz, Olney, Phila. Italians, House of David, Jewish Stars, etc. all great teams in that era.

MANY A star in their baseball career passed thru the gates of the Black Meteors. Just to mention, a few—"Big Jim" West, "Buddy" Burbage, "Amos" Ames, Bill Casey, "Sugar"— Crawford, "Shine" Smith, "King" Tut, "Sugar" Cain, Jimmy Johnson;

"Bubby" Saddler, "Fonny Brown," Tom Johnson (present Howard U. Coach), "Beanery" Martin, Joe Yancey, "Big John" Harris, Toland (School-boy) Anderson, "Seabiscuit" Wilkie, "Preacher" Bell, Eddie Milton, "Lighting" Taylor;

Sam Tyler, Felton Morrison, Henry Johnson, Henry Miller, "Puss" Jenkins, "Doc" Masseaux, "Jocke" Kingsley, Bill Berry, "Yank" Perrera, Dewey Byers, and this list could go on and on.

The question as to which was the greatest Meteor ball club of all time is still being discussed in local sport circles.

We do not claim to be an authority on this subject, but like most folks, we have an opinion too.

Herewith is our all-time, all-star, Black Meteor Team:

Freddie Clay —C.F.; Joe Baylor —C.; "Tank" Robinson — S.S.; Neeley Cassel —L.F.; Bob Smallwood—1st B.;

Bill Dodson —3rd B.; Eddie Robinson —2nd B.; Darius Bea —R.F.; Pitchers —"Tank" Nix —"Sugar" Cain — Ben Hill.

No history of the Black Meteors could be given, without mentioning a few of the owners of the club.

Ben Cain, Doug Ragin, and Henry Woodard in later years did a fine job promoting the Meteor name. "Country" Overton, Wesley Ames are two other indispensables in the Meteor Organization.

Come what may, it will be many a moon until another great baseball club like the Black Meteors will hit Philly again.

Orioles sign tan lefthander

Don R. Luke of Shreveport, La., this week, signed a Paris, Texas, contract for the 1957 season, it was announced by Farm Director James M. McLaughlin.

Paris, a Baltimore Oriole farm club, is affiliated with the Class D, Sooner State League.

Luke, who is 6-feet tall and weighs 200 pounds, graduated in June from Booker T. Washington High School in Shreveport, after playing four years of varsity high school ball. He was named captain of his team in his senior year and finished his high school competition with a record of leading his league in strikeouts for three seasons.

Luke was signed by scout Claude Dietrich. He is a left-handed pitcher and has been instructed to report for spring training next March at the Orioles minor league spring training camp in Thomasville, Ga.

Horse Races

HORSE RACINGHEDUP
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Horses that impressed me and appear ready to enter the winner's circle in the near future:

At Santa Anita

FAMILY ALBUM — Stopped
BLUE VOLT — May repeat
ZE PIPIN — Just missed
SOLID FLEET — Trials good
HUNDRED GRAND — Likes track
HEAD MAN — May upset
CHIDEADUX — Disapointed
DIGNIFIED — Disapointed
HIDDEN FORTUNE — Could surprise
MORE GLORY — Well prepped
FLYING BOLT — Good now
MORE GLORY — Good racing
KARIM — Closed gap
PILLITO BOY — Last good

At Florida

TACHOMETER — Disappointed
THIS EVENING — Could surprise
ESPEDECO — Trials good
DIXIE DOGE — Fit
FLY ACROSS — May repeat
FIRST SERVED — Last good
SAGS GEM — Races good
ONE-EYE KING — Last a pip
GRAND CANYON — Has class
ICARIAN — May upset
MAMBO KING — Good now
MAMBO STAR — Just missed
PRECIOUS STONE — Good stable
BOODLETTE — Better than rated

At Fair Grounds

PIETS SON—Good now
RE RE PO — Last a pip
BUNY — Races good
GOLDEN APOLLO — May upset
ADVENTURE 11 — Last good
BRINK OF WAR — Likes track
PROUD BOY — Good stable
BURNT CHILD — Toss out last
PECK'S REWARD — Fit and fast
TACARO — Disappointed
HIGH LAMA — Has class
FULL FLIGHT — Better than rated

Basketball

GAMES THIS WEEK

January 25

Taylor at Central State
Bluefield at Knoxville
Savannah State at Morris

January 26

Maryland at Elizabeth City
A. and T. at Fayetteville
Elizabethtown at Lincoln
Tennessee at Knoxville
Salem College at Bluefield
Central State at Anderson
Morris College at Paine
Cheyville College at West Va.
Philander Smith at Arkansas
Wiley at Grambling

RESULTS OF WEEK

Morgan 76, Lincoln 54
North Carolina 71, Shaw 64
Virginia State 64, Bluefield 59
Union 62, Morgan 72
Maryland State 90, Lincoln 53
Tennessee 95, Kentucky 71
Tennessee 89, Central State 63
St. Augustine 86, Mid. State 70
Virginia State 75, Morgan 69
Knoxville 113, Benedict 90
Union 62, North Carolina 60
Central State 100, Findlay 54
Virginia State 81, Shaw 79
Knoxville 84, S.C. State 80
Talladega 55, Stillman 54
Fayetteville 32, Livingstone 39
Ala. A. and M. 68, Knoxville 67
Fla. A. and M. 85, Tuskegee 56
Kentucky 55, Wilberforce 46

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Newcombe thrills Cleveland junior hi pupils, answers barrage of questions

NEWARK

It was necessary to hold to two assemblies at Cleveland Junior High School last week so that teachers and pupils could see and hear Don Newcombe, the Brooklyn Dodgers' pitching star, who was guest of honor on Students' Day.

The administration and teaching staffs were replaced by pupils acting in their positions, and who also taught regular class sessions.

Sidney Harrison served as "Principal," Brenda Marsh "Vice-Principal," Jeanette Walker, "head counselor" Charity Brantley, "club advisor," and Tamara Wosmakwsky, program coordinator.

PUPILS WHO served as teachers for the day were:

Seventh grade—Annie Young and Mary Brown.

Eighth grade—Ruby Hughes, Louise Haynes, Gloria Dock, Porfiria Mendez and Donald Sheppard.

Ninth grade—Vince Sifford, Ethel Allen, Carol Kellemer, Doris Manager, Delores Crawford, Janet Williams, Laurence Diggs, Gwendolyn Pratt and Frances Adams.

DR. LEO LITZKY, principal, said:

"We feel sure that the program instilled in the pupils a deep feeling of individual responsibility, a desire for greater achievement, and a conscious ness of group responsibility."

The pupils fired more questions at Newcombe, voted the 1956 Most Valuable Player in the National League, than he had time to answer.

Here are 16 of the questions and the answers made by the man who joined the list of great pitchers of all times by winning 27 games last year, at the first assembly:

QUESTION: Who is the toughest batter you ever pitched to?

Answer: I have trouble with all "but I consider Stan Musial of St. Louis Cardinals the toughest.

Question: How many all star games have you played in?

Answer: Three—1949, 1950, and 1951.

Question: Does any umpire ever change his decision?

Answer: I don't know whether any of you know my feelings as far as umpires are concerned. They have not changed a decision as far as I know.

If they do, it will be for the first time. In Japan, I saw the game was called due to lack of lights but the people would not move and the game had to be played.

QUESTION: What was the first team you played with?

Answer: I started in Newark with the Newark Eagles.

Question: Do you get disappointed when people boo you?

Answer: That's a good question. Certainly, especially when you are on your own home grounds. I will never forget the last game in the 1956 World Series.

We walked off the field and it seemed like it took me about five hours to walk out and I will never forget the boos.

You are out there trying your best and there is nothing you can do if they want to boo you.

I seem to be in some trouble about that somewhere, but you do feel like that if your own fans boo you. But as you get experience, you learn to cope with it.

QUESTION: Who is the best baseball player on team you are on?

Answer: We have so many great players, it is hard to discern between them.

You can't single out one fellow as best player as it is a team and one fellow does it one day and another does it the next day. There is no one man who is of the 90% by himself.

Question: What is the most exciting game of your life?

Answer: The First World Series game where Allie Reynolds and I had quite a duel. I was beaten 1-0.

QUESTION: Are you paid for endorsing razor blades ads?

Answer: I am being truthful. As far as razor is concerned the Brooklyn ball Club endorses Gillette for me and as far as the other items, we are paid for it. Our agents handle all this for us.

Question: Who was the toughest pitcher who pitched against you?

Answer: Allie Reynolds was the toughest pitcher.

Question: What team have you played against that you think was the best?

Answer: I think they are all tough.

Question: What was the longest game that you have played?

Answer: This was a Sunday afternoon game in Pittsburgh. The game was called three times and lasted about four and a half hours.

QUESTION: Are you nervous when it is your turn at bat?

Answer: Pitchers don't worry too much about the hitting. I'm not too nervous.

Question: In all the stadiums you have played in which one did you like best and why?

Answer: We like to play in the biggest ball park possible. I like Jersey City as it is a big ball park. I have a tendency to throw long balls.

Question: Do you need a high school education to become a baseball player.

Answer: No, but an education is very important—as you must do many things that require much knowledge, especially when reading your contracts. It is vital that you read the fine print and understand what it is about.

Even if you are not a baseball player, education is very important, in fact, much more important than a baseball career. You have sports in school—along with your other school work.

QUESTION: Do you have a favorite player that you admire?

Answer: Yes, Jackie Robinson.

Question: What do you do after the baseball season is over?

Answer: As for myself, I opened a new business in Newark and that is what I do.

Summary: I am sorry but we are running out of time and cannot answer all the questions. Remember education is very important and you have some very wonderful people and teachers working with you.

Perhaps, in the near future I will be able to come back here and talk to you again.

HERE ARE the 18 questions asked by the pupils and the answers given by Newcombe at the second assembly:

Don Newcombe: Now I understand that a lot of you sent questions in to your teachers and you want me to try and answer them. Time will be the determining factor as to whether or not I can answer them.

Question: When you were small, how did you act in school?

Answer: That's a pretty good question. I am going to tell you the truth. I am not going to tell you that I was a model student or that I gave the teachers an easy time.

ON THE other hand neither I the worst one. You know that when you are in the 7th, 8th and 9th grades, your attention seems to other to be other things unless you try very hard not to let it.

I had a baseball on my mind and I had a tendency to play hooky, and invariably the truant officer called at my home and informed my father who administered quite a snanding.

I have learned over the years that your education is most important in your career.

For instance, I have to understand contracts, which are quite lengthy, and must read and understand the fine print contained therein, otherwise I have to hire someone to do these things for you.

QUESTION: Do you make many public appearances?

Answer: Yes, next question.

Question: What was your most exciting game?

Answer: My First World Series game, 1949. Allie Reynolds and I pitched up 0-0 until I lost 1-0.

Question: Do you enjoy your work?

Answer: I have to be partial to baseball as this is my living. This is a very enjoyable work, as it is work, not only a sport.

QUESTION: How did you feel the first time when you went on the field for Brooklyn?

Answer: I pitched in 1949 in St. Louis for the Brooklyn Club and every ball I throw seemed to be a base hit, etc.

Question: Do you enjoy playing ball and making it a steady career?

Answer: This is the same as a previous question.

Question: How many children do you have?

Answer: None of my own but my wife and I have adopted two children; a girl and a boy.

QUESTION: How did you get started playing professional baseball?

Answer: I got started playing sandlot baseball, and in 1944 played with the Newark team professionally.

Question: Have you ever been

PUPILS MEET NEWCOMBE—Pupils of Cleveland Junior High School, Newark, were addressed at two assemblies last week by Don Newcombe of the Brooklyn Dodgers and the National League's 1956 MVP. Listening to the star pitcher's remarks about his recent tour of Japan with his team are, from left: Louis Adams, Elizabeth Sloan, Mrs. Charlotte Fassbender, vice-principal; Delores Crawford, Johnny Jenkins, Brenda Marsh, Dr. Leon Litzky, principal; Newcombe, Jeanette Walker, Delores O'Lasky, Wynne Muller, Ted Valentine, English teacher; and Ben Barbarosh, counsellor.

Start rush to succeed Saddler

NEW YORK—Sandy Saddler ended one thing and started another when he announced his retirement from the ring on Tuesday.

The slender New Yorker wound up his long reign as world featherweight champion and at the same time opened the flood gates for a host of would-be-successors.

Saddler announced he was hanging up his gloves to avoid the possibility of blindness. Dr. Thomas W. Mathew, a neurosurgeon, advised him against continuing his career, stating that to do so may mean complete loss of vision.

The former 125-pound champion sustained injuries in an automobile accident last July. He was found to be suffering from a detached retina and injury to the brain.

SHORTLY after it became known that Saddler is giving up his title, the New York Athletic Commission and the National Boxing Association were flooded with applications from fighters seeking to take part in an elimination tourney.

In addition to Cherif Hamia, the No. 1 challenger from France, requests for inclusion came from Ike Chestnut, Carmelo Costa, Miguel Berrios, Flash Elorde and Hogan (Kid) Bassey.

Hamia beat Costa, Berrios and Chestnut on an American tour last year. Elorde outpointed Saddler in a non-title match, then lost to him in a title go.

in an argument with your wife because of your career?

Answer: Yes, in your career, sure, you are always in something. As you go through life you will find that behind every successful man there is a woman.

Question: If you were traded from the Brooklyn Club and could pick another team I would chose a pennant contending club.

QUESTION: How many games did you win for the Dodgers?

Answer: 27 games this year. I lost 7.

Question: How does it feel to be awarded most valuable pitcher of the year?

Answer: It is the most wonderful thing to happen to a person. I shall also be awarded the Most Outstanding Athlete in New Jersey. I also received a letter from President Eisenhower, on top of all this.

Question: Who gave you your first start in baseball?

Answer: I started in Newark with the Newark Eagles.

QUESTION: How do you spend most of your time teaching boys baseball?

Answer: Not most of the time but a good deal of my time. I also teach girls to play basketball. I do this because I know a good deal more about it than other sports.

Question: Why did Jackie Robinson resign from baseball?

Answer: He is 38 years old now and in baseball that is not a young man. He was looking for security for his family.

Duke Snyder claims his children called him grandpa after he was away from his family for a while as are all players in this business. Jackie Robinson has a good job and is making as much now as if he were playing baseball.

QUESTION: Who is your favorite baseball player?

Answer: Jackie Robinson.

Question: How did you become famous?

Answer: Well, I don't know whether I am famous or not. It is people like you who make professionals like us.

Summary: My time has run out and it was a pleasure for me to be here through Mr. Valentine with whom I have been associated with since 1949. I hope to be invited here again.

Panthers in romp

PRAIRIE VIEW, Texas—The Prairie View Panthers had little trouble defeating the St. Philips College quintet, 101-69, here Tuesday night.

COVETED AUTOGRAPH—These pupils at Cleveland Junior High School, Newark, were among hundreds who gave Don Newcombe writer's cramp when he signed autographs after addressing the Student Day Assembly last week. From left: Sidney Harrison, "acting principal" for the day; Newcombe, Brenda Marsh, "acting vice-principal;" and Tanara Woshakiwsky, coordinator of the day.

NAIA cage meet to W. Salem

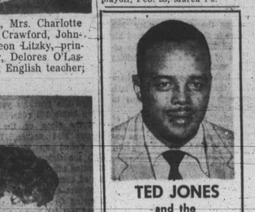
WINSTON - SALEM, N.C. — The basketball playoffs for District 29 of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, will be held here at Winston - Salem Teachers College, March 7-8, it was announced this week.

It will mark the first time a member school of the CIAA has played host to the NAIA regionals, they having been played in previous years at Tennessee State University, Nashville.

The NAIA voted to approve the switch after it was pointed out that CIAA teams each year encounter travel difficulties when they seek to be in tournaments at Nashville and Kansas City, Mo., in successive weeks.

The championship meet is played at Kansas City the week following the district playoffs.

The tourney here will include four teams, winner and runner-up in the Midwestern AA tournament, Feb. 22-23, and winner and runner-up in the CIAA playoff, Feb. 28, March 1-2.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SYRACUSE NATS — Earl Lloyd and Bob Hopkins.

PIGSKIN CLUB TO FETE CAMPBELL ON SATURDAY

WASHINGTON — Milton Campbell will be guest of honor at 1 p.m. Saturday at a luncheon at O'Donnell's Restaurant sponsored by the Washington Pikskin Club. Lieut. Lawrence Oxley, president, announced.

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