PUT OUT THE FIRE . . . Firemen splash foam on car of Pat O'Connor after wreck in which O'Connor died

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By Bob Quincy



Orange Juice **Helped Build** World Record

In sports, the scenes behind the scenes often provide the best stories. Here are three such glimpses. Two Saturdays past in Raleigh, a thin Negro youth stepped off a plane. The previous evening, be had been in Los Angeles, where he ran the 120 high hurdles in 13.9 on a grass track to win against some of the nation's

ISO on a grass track to win agains, some with the states. A bundle of energy, Elias Gilbert didn't command much attention. He went by the baggage room, exchanged a stub for a couple of small pieces of luggage and almost immediately began preparing himself for competition in the AMU meet on the North Carolina State campus that afternoon and night.

Three bours later, he had competed in four events, qualifying in the 120 highs and 220 lows. That night, he was to make the competency of the state of the control of the competency of the process of the process of the control of the control

"THAT ORANGE JUICE sure looks good," he said, and, man, am I dry"
Bill Rearick, capitain of next fall's grid Wolfnack, grinned, recognizing Gilbert, he said, "If you win, I'll give you a

"What if I set a world record?" chirped Gilbert.
"In that case," said Rearick, nudging a companion, quaruck Frank Cakcovic, "Ill give you the whole quart."
Injected Francis Washington, Gilbert's teammate at WinSalem Teachers College: "World record? You won't even

Said Washington, as use two got as how the Maha followed was one of the great hurdle races of all time. Gilbert was pressed to the finish. His 22.1 broke Dave Sime's world record. Washington was clocked at 222, equal to the control of the second of the s

-The Twists Of Fate For Two Ex-Mates

points
One played football because of his size and skill . . . but his true interest was baseball. The other was a natural grid star and it was predicted by many that he would go on to great achievements. Then fate intervened.
The better of the two football players suffered a knee injury, driffed away from the sport and soon began devoling his time to baseball.

ONE DAY HE WALKED up to Ben Gerachty, the Jacksonville manager, and applied for a job with the Braves. "Sure, Tex" said Gerachty, calling the rookle by the nickname because of his overalls and long stride, "you look huncry enough to make good!

He did. The boy named Tex turned out to be Wes Covington, a star for the Milwakee Braves in last October's World Series.

And now what happened to the "natural" baseball player and the string of the Milwalle but gave it up. Football was the best outlet, as showlie but gave it up. Football was the strong the string of the Braves' forms and the Braves

-Man Who Offered Bribe-And Failed

It has its sording of a success yarr, too, but that its sording and interest that its sording and interest high school player several degrees north of this state who recently announced his intentions to play ball for an institution of higher learning in our midst.

He was sought after by many, perhaps not with the savage determination that took place when Will Chamberlain was on the market, but with many chools courting him openly. His most of the pack give him up for good. The alumnus of one wingst school didn't.

We made it a point to look up the athlete.

The boy listened politely but didn't budge in his convictions. All right," said the recruiter, "I'll make it quite plain. You get books, room, meals and tuition under the NCAA code. I'll treat you like a son I'll personally send you \$50 every month to spend. It will be our little secret."

The prep star didn't blink. No, he said, he would stand by his original decision.

As the old grad was leaving, the high schooler whisperad in his sear: "I'm not that I don't appreciate your kind offer, str. It's just that you didn't come nees what I'm getting in the first place."

Spectacular 11-Car Crash On First Lap Claims Pat

By DALE BURGES

INDIANAPOLIS (E—Pat O'Connor, young racing protege of the late Wilbur Shaw, was killed today in a thunderous 11-car crash on the first lap of the 42nd 500-mile auto race. The handsome 29 years, met doubt in the wreck—with the 33 starting cars running in a bunch. It was the tragedy Indianapolis Motor Speedway officials had feared since the first race in 1911.

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50 Miles
APOLIS - (AP) - Standings of the race at the end of 50 miles:

Tempieman also got back into the race.

Unser, a first time starter, went over the wall in the tirst-lap crash.

The ready of the ready of the ready of the ready of the Firstone Tire & Rubber Co., when he was not racing. He was the tirst driver to test the high speed new track at Monza, Italy, last summer. He was weeked in the first of his tire Memorial Day starts, the ready of t

DICK RATHMANN said, "Eli-

100 Miles
INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - Standings of the 300-mile race at the end of 100

S. Reece S. Wilson 10. Freeland

was resumed but shortly lost it to old timer Bettenhausen.

LATER, CHUCK Weyant, 35. Springfield, III, hit the wall at the northwest turn and spun into the infield but escaped serious injury. The death of O'Connor was

Minor Results



tion to his tire company job.
Little George Amick a tremendow dirt track compettor making his first 900 start, led a too
miles after a furious battle on
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the turns with Bryan and Bettenhausen. Sachs was running fourth
and Rodger Ward fifth.
Thirty minutes and 19 seconds
of racing time was under the caution light in the first 100 miles an
hour.
The average speed at that dislance was 122.447 miles an hour,
far below the record of 140.023 set
by Sam Hanks last year. Brown



PAT O'CONNOR

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CHAPEL HILL — Dean

Smith has been amed assistant basketball coach at
the University of North
Carolina, succeeding James
A. (Back) Freeman, who
coson, it was announced today by Athleito Director C.
P. (Chuck) Erickson.

Smith, who is 27 and a antive of Topeka, Kansas, has
been assistant hasketball
Air Force Academy the past
two years. He is a lieutenant in the Air Force, but
expects his discharge this
summer and will assume

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