

# Can Gola Stop San Fran's Russell?



Bob Quincy

## Thin Air Expedition

NOTES & MUSINGS: North Carolina State's basketball squad left today by plane for Denver, Colo., and the National AAU tournament, but some wonder why so early when the Wolf pack isn't scheduled to play until next week? ... Trainer Red McIntosh furnishes the answer in one word—altitude. "It takes several days for the kids to adjust to the thinness of the air. We'd give out the first half if we arrived the day of the game."

This department was very surprised when Duke's Joe Belmont failed to make West Virginia's first or second all-conference basketball club. ... The washish Philadelphia did everything but tie Rod Hundley's shoelaces together, put on a dazzling exhibition of passing, dribbling and scoring. ... Oh, well, Maryland didn't tie Dickie Henric among its top ten fives. ... Henric, feted in grand fashion last night in the hometown celebration at Jonsville, ranked behind Tom Gola and Corky Devlin in Mountaineer estimation with practically a unanimous vote of approval.

Preacher Roe, now voluntarily retired and doing a good grocery business in Arkansas, says Frankie Frisch the manager who was the most fun to work under, Charlie Dressen, now of Washington, the most astute. But the kicking tee would give Al McClellan, the Belmont Abbey coach, had branded Joe Ladd of Lowell for stardom in the Kivans Classic here last week long before game time. ... "He isn't the most polished performer," observed McClellan, "after watching Ladd in several games, but he knows certain jobs must be done and he makes the most of his physical equipment and desire."

BILL GEORGE, the ex-Wake tackle who graduated to the Chicago Bears, thinks the colleges should adopt the kicking tee used by the pros. ... "It sets the ball up so you can really get your foot into it," said 245-pound Bill, who is wrestling in off-season. ... Rex Knight of South Carolina gives George's argument backing. ... "An improvement in the kicking tee would give the fans a thrill—they wouldn't have to witness many poor kicks. It's a thrill to see that ball float into the end zone." Depends upon who's receiving, Rex.

Duke University continues to rave about David Sime, their freshman baseball and track whiz, and Red Lewis, a conservative cinder man, predicts that no catcher will ever throw out the New Jersey pitcher if he gets a jump from first base. ... "Parker, the baseball coach, feels Sime could make his way to the big leagues as a hunter, so tremendous is his speed. ... "Too bad he's not a left-handed batter," someone remarked, "because he would be a step or two closer to first." ... "It won't make any difference in his case," predicted Parker.

Figures compiled by Tournament Chairman Cliff Roberts at the Augusta Master's indicate the toughest hole is No. 5, a four-par, 450 yarder which is deceptive. ... Two of the most sparkling sophomores in the Atlantic Coast Conference next year will be Backs Bobby Barrett of South Carolina and Dick Christy of North Carolina State. ... They are big, can run and love their football. ... Both were great as freshmen and were sensational in the prep ranks. ... Barrett is from Barboursville, W. Va., Christy from Chester, Pa.

TOO had the United States Naval Academy and the University of Maryland can't get together on a football game. ... Teams would have limited expenses and there is no question about its being a sellout. ... Tatum wants the match to be renewed, but says the Middle brass casts a solid negative vote. ... "They're afraid that if we win a few times," expounds Sunny Jim, "the public will swing toward Maryland and they don't want to lose their Baltimore following." ... "What if Navy should win a few times? ... "We'll take our chances," shrugs Tatum.

"We may not have a ball team" ex-Charlotte skipper Ellis Clark told Ed Danforth at Orlando as he coached the Washington Nationals, "but we sure have got a track team. This guy (pointing to Dresen) is running us ragged. He's out from 10 until 4 and expects us to stay with him." ... Sectional qualifying for the Carolinas contenders in the National Amateur will be held at Greensboro on Aug. 30. ... The main event will be at Richmond this summer. ... Chief record breaker at Chapel Hill during the winter was Gordon Hudson, gymnast, who scored 108 points to break his own mark of 106 set in 1954.

Kid Gavilan says he has four more years of boxing in him. ... He must plan to return to amateur status. ... The Keeled looked like a beginner against Bobby Dykes in his recent Miami excursion, at one time got mad and left himself wide open to a telegraphed right hand. ... When you're over the hill, you're over, brother. ... Wake Forest star says Maurice George hit 55 per cent of his field goal attempts, Henric an elegant 52 per cent. ... When the long distance operator tried to reach Butter Anderson at Reynolds Coliseum in Raleigh, Ev. Case, answered by saying, "He is no longer associated with this office."

## Did Stokes Save NIT? Iowa Tosses Scare Into LaSalle, 76-73

By SKIPPER PATRICK  
KANSAS CITY—(AP)—LaSalle's Explorers and the University of San Francisco Dons, each featuring a 14-carat All America, will meet for the 17th National Collegiate Basketball crown tonight.

Three-time All America Tom Gola guided defending champion LaSalle into the final round again, 57-53. ... Iowa's strong-timing Hawkeyes before a capacity crowd of 10,500 in the semis at Municipal Auditorium last night. ... Bill Russell, San Francisco's 6-10 All America, was the key player in the Dons' 60-52 victory over Colorado of the Big Seven.

Gola got 23 points as the Explorers led 45-36 at the half, then quelled a late Iowa drive to make their victory a sound one. ... Russell counted 24 points for the nation's No. 1 rated team, tops for the night, but as in the case of Gola his rebounding and overall play furnished most toward enjoyment of the fans. ... While LaSalle, seeking to become the third team to win two NCAA titles in a row, led all the way, Colorado locked up the game in the final minutes, San Francisco iceballed to the detriment of Colorado until the last minute of the first half.

Colorado had at least an even break in the scoring and was on top frequently until Stan Buchanan, Hal Perry and Warren Baxter each came up with two points in the last minute to send San Francisco into a 25-10 halftime lead. ... The late first half spew broke Iowa well on their way to the final. ... Iowa was making its first bid for the NCAA crown against LaSalle, the national No. 3 rated team and a courageous job of it. ... The Hawkeyes whittled 8 points off their halftime handicap to come within one point at 67-66, with four minutes three seconds remaining.

They came quick points by Charles Singler and Choney Greenberg to put the Explorers over. ... The entire State team will make the Denver jaunt, with the exception of forward Lou Dickman. He will remain behind a member of the college's basketball team.



NAPP NAPPING... Umpire Larry Napp gets shoulder block from Milwaukee's Eddie Mathews after calling play at third base. (AP Wirephoto)

## Youngsters Sparkle

# Pinky Higgins Has Pitching Problem—Too Many Sharpies

By SHELDON SAKOWITZ  
The Associated Press  
Pinky Higgins, in his first season as manager of the Boston Red Sox, faces a pitching problem—but it's a pleasant one, at that.

The new Sox skipper, who managed Boston's Louisville farm club in the American Assn. last season, has so many pitching hopefuls on hand in the team's baseball training camp at Sarasota, Fla., that he doesn't know when he's going to get a good look at all of them. ... The Red Sox boast about a dozen or so promising young hurlers including sophomores Frank Sullivan, Tom Brewer and Dick Brodowski to blend with such veterans as Mel Parnell, Ellis Kinder and Sid Haddock.

Joe Cronin, the club's general manager who played shortstop for the Boston Braves as third base over a decade ago, evinced Higgins was hired to replace Lou Boufford because he is the ideal man for the Red Sox youth movement. ... Higgins thinks that the Red Sox have the makings of one of the best pitching staffs in the American League. ... Three of the youngsters—Frank DeLoe, Leo Kloty and Joe Trimble—limited Cincinnati to four hits yesterday as the Red Sox defeated the Redlegs 6-2 last night.

Ladies will have a tricky 5.984 yards with a par of 74. ... "We will be able to lengthen the men's course to almost 7,000 yards," explained Reynolds. ... Reynolds. ... Hebert has 13 below under par for the 6,749-yard Lakewood Country Club course. ... In front of the pack at the 36-hole halfway mark was Jay Hebert, 32-year-old native of New Orleans, with a score of 131 and a three-stroke lead over the smooth oldie, Cary Middlecoff of Memphis.

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Washington	4	109
Cleveland	5	109
Chicago	6	109
Baltimore	7	109
New York	8	109
Pittsburgh	9	109
Kansas City	10	109

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis	5	107
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## Costa Rugged, But Can't Punch

NEW YORK (AP)—All Carmelo Costa, a 5-foot, 4½-inch Brooklynite, needs is a punch and he could go right to the top of the featherweight division. ... Costa won the 10-round bout in Madison Square Garden and won it easily. ... Carmelo, who is only 20 years old, has a puzzling style and baffled Lopes, who came in at 150 pounds, the same as Costa, although he is natural lightweight.

## HERE'S CARMEL CHART ON PAR

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## World Records Topple in Pan-American Games

By BOR MYERS  
MEXICO CITY (AP)—The brilliant track and field program of the Pan-American Games in Mexico City, which opened last night, is a second world record listed on the books.

The 23-year-old private in the U.S. Army shocked the experts when he raced the 400 meters in a phenomenal 45.4 seconds. ... The time eclipsed the world record of 45.8 set by George Rhoads of Jamaica in Sweden Aug. 22, 1950.

It also overshadowed the world record hop, skip and jump mark of 56.2 meters or 54 feet set the day before by Brazil's Ademair Pereira Da Silva, the sensational 800-meter time of 1:47 by Arnold Sowell and the 26-foot push broad jumping by Rosslyn Range and John Bennett all of the U.S. Army.

Barreling along with Jones was Jim Lea, his teammate, whose 45.6 also broke Rhoads' world standard. ... The U. S. A. long since established its dominance in the 1951 winner, Argentina, had an unofficial points score for all games at 445 today. Argentina was next with 123½ and Mexico third with 107½.

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