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If your field of vision has not at one time zeroed in on Satchel Paige, you have missed out on one of the great folk heroes of our time.

Satch, a Negro of some 61 years, has been tossing baseballs for a living since the British had a general strike, and we sent the Marines into Nicaragua. He was throwing when the movies were silent.

And last summer he was barnstorming in northern U.S. and Canada, pitching two or three innings every day for 145 games, and still hoping that he would throw his way back into the major leagues.

There are those who think he is the greatest pitcher of them all, but this can never be proved. He spent his prime pitching for Negro clubs when baseball was completely segregated. In 1948, after 22 years in baseball, he became the first Negro to pitch in the American League.

In addition, Satch is a folk philosopher of some renown. He is fond of saying, "Time ain't gonna mess with me." His famous six rules for staying young are deeply etched into this ignoble Irish heart.

1—Avoid fried meats which angry up the blood.
2—If your stomach disputes you, lie down and pacify it with cool thoughts.

3—Keep the juices flowing by jangling around gently as you move.

4—Go very light on the vices, such as carrying on in society. The social ramble ain't restful.

5—Avoid running at all times.

6—Don't look back. Something might be gaining on you.

In his most recent interview, Satch showed that he still retains his fast ball as litterateur and philosopher.

Discussing the problems of age, on which he is the greatest authority since Cicero wrote De Senectute, Satch had this to say:

"They say I'm too old, but the ones that say that hasn't seen me perform. I've slowed down some, my wind's a little short, I can't field bunts too good, but I know how to keep 'em from bunting on me."

I'm not yet into old age, but if I can keep 'em from bunting on me until I reach the end of the road, there's little else I ask from my Maker.

About the only positive thing given to the aged, or the aging, is guile. When you've been around the track a couple of times, you begin to see it ain't all legs. There's that baton work, and it counts. Brother, does it ever count!

From the day your first sibling rival came into the house you are faced with the problem of the young. They are always pushing at your rear, asserting their vigorous claims, insisting loudly that they be heard, and that they get the heel of the bread and such.

Coping with the young is an extremely important part of that obscure process called growing up. You soon discover you can't outfight them, as a rule. You also discover you can outfox 'em, as a rule.

Somebody said of the bourgeoisie, or the Bourbons, or something, that they had never forgotten anything, and never learned anything. Santayana said something about those who ignore history are condemned to repeat it. And Wilde said experience is the name we give our mistakes.

It is good to remember each of these cautionary aphorisms in our dealings with the young, who are supposed to replenish the earth, but are also quite a pain in the rear to their elders.

Carson Will Face Los Angeles Nine

Carson High will face the final and possibly stiffest test of its pre-Marine League baseball campaign today at 3 p.m. when the Colts journey to Los Angeles High.

The contest may be a preview of a late-season City playoff game. Los Angeles is favored to win the Southern League title, as it did last year, while Carson is tabbed to garner the Marine crown.

Nick Van Lue will take the mound for Carson against Roman ace Lee Massey. Van Lue hurled five innings of one-hit ball against Fermin Lasuen last week as the Colts picked up a 9-0 win.

Lasuen only earned two hits off Carson pitching as Tom Pickle took over for Van Lue in the sixth stanza and only allowed one bingle the rest of the way.

Pickle, the leading base thief in the Marine circuit last year, pilfered two bases against Lasuen.

Colt batters had a field day, jumping on Lasuen chuckers Robert Gonzales and John Chuka for five extra base hits.

Van Lue belted two safeties while Steve Fortier, Doug Iseninger and Jerry Muse accounted for the others. Iseninger enjoyed his finest hour, going two for three at the plate.



NOT IN TIME . . . West High first sacker Dave LeRoche gloves a pickoff throw from hurler John Marsden too late to nab Bishop Montgomery's Doug Dedeaux in Tuesday's game between the schools. Seconds earlier Dedeaux was

beated by a Marsden fastball and gained access to first. Marsden, picking up his second win of the year without a defeat, limited Montgomery to four hits in guiding West to a 6-3 non-league triumph. It was Montgomery's second loss.

FOUR-HITTER

Marsden Twirls West Nine To Victory Against Knights

Junior mound ace John Marsden flipped a four-hitter Tuesday afternoon to lead West High in a 6-3 non-league baseball victory over Bishop Montgomery.

Marsden picked up his second win without a loss as he fanned 11 batters and gave up only three walks. Excluding the fourth inning, when Montgomery shoved three runs across, Marsden faced only 19 batters in six stanzas.

Considered the area's prime major league prospect, Marsden gave up two earned runs and rubbed out two other potential scores with sharp pickoff throws to first base.

Montgomery opened with John Wojcik, who lasted 3 1/3 frames and was bombed for 9 hits and 5 earned runs. Wojcik, the ace of the Knight mound corps, fanned two and walked an equal number. Irl Davis took over for Wojcik and finished, allowing two hits and one earned tally. Davis struck out three but had control problems, issuing five walks.

West jumped out to a quick 2-0 lead in the opening frame as Roy Hubecek walked, Dick Buchanan sacrificed and Gary Loyd drove a near 400 ft. home run into left centerfield. It was the second tape-measure blast in the past two games for Loyd.

L. B. Wilson Rips South Cindermen

Three impressive victories by Bob Deeds propelled powerful Long Beach Wilson to a 89-35 non-league track win over South High Tuesday afternoon.

Deeds established himself as one of the Southland's premier sprinters by winning the century in 9.8 seconds, and capturing the furlong in 21.9 seconds. He also went 22 ft. 6 in. in the broad jump.

RAPIDLY improving Dave Ledford gave South its biggest moment of the afternoon when he moved past Chuck Alpizar in the final 350 yards and raced to a 4:28.8 clocking in the mile.

Ledford's previous best for the year was 4:42 while Alpizar had been unbeaten with a 4:36 effort.

South picked up three other

victories. Wes Fox won the quarter in 51.4 seconds, Doug Hall captured the 880 in 2:01.5 with Dennis Kirby third in 2:07, and Gary Snellgrove went 5 ft. 8 in. for a first-place tie in the broad jump.

Bob Palmer finished second in the 120 high hurdles in 16.0 seconds and was also runner-up in the 180 lows with a 20.4 second effort. Steve Jones, at 16.5 seconds, was third in the high hurdles.

Harry Rutterman and John Daugherty finished two-three in the shot put for the Spartans. Rutterman went 49 ft. 7 1/2 in. while Daugherty putted 48 ft. 6 in.

Fox managed a third in the 220 at 23.0 while Bill Pollick grabbed a second in the broad jump at 20 ft. 10 in. Dave Cronk went 11 ft. in the pole vault for third place.



ANXIOUS GROUP . . . Doug Dedeaux, Bishop Montgomery first baseman, attempts to regain his feet Tuesday afternoon after being hit by a fast ball from West High's John Marsden. Attending Dedeaux are West coach Max Lomas, Montgomery mentor Marvin Wood and plate umpire Paul Smith. The first sacker was not seriously hurt and continued to play. (Herald Photo)

Tribe to Depend On Five Matmen From Torrance

Five Torrance grapplers will lead favored El Camino College in quest of the state J.C. wrestling championship tomorrow and Saturday at Diablo Valley College in Concord.

All but one member of the Camino squad has qualified for the championships and the Warriors will be prohibitive favorites to nab the top slot after finishing second last year.

In the Southern District qualifying tournament held at El Camino the past weekend, the Warriors garnered 99 points, 34 more than second-place San Diego's 65.

Out of 10 matches in the nine-team event, Camino picked up 5 first places, 3 seconds and 1 third.

RICH TAMBLE, Bay League champ while at South High, won first-place qualifying laurels in the 115-pound division. Tom McCann, a freshman from Aviation wrestling in the 23-pound class, won his division by a pin.

Former North High grappler Sam Garcia earned the top spot in the 130-pound category by a decision.

In the middleweights, South High's Bob Anderson picked up the 167-pound crown while Larry Wolfe took first in the 177-pound class. Anderson is a defending state champ and was named the outstanding grappler in this year's Metropolitan Conference Tournament.

Second-place verdicts were gained by Paul Steinel at 137 pounds, former Torrance High matman Dennis Albright at 157 pounds, and heavyweight Ron Hampton.

STEINEL, wrestling against returning regional champ Bob Munger of Imperial Valley College, dropped a 3-2 decision.

Ken Blight, former South High wrestler, took third in the 147-pound class. Terry Hansen, wrestling in the 191-pound division, was the only Warrior failing to finish in one of the top four slots.

Imperial Valley copped third in the qualifying tourney with 56 points followed by Cerritos, 50; Los Angeles City College, 19; Valley, 15; Victor Valley, 6, and Pierce, 4.

Broadway Will Hold Golf Tests

Can you swing as smoothly at U.S. Open champion Julius Boros?

Golfers can have their swing photo-analyzed by the new Graph-Check polaroid camera tomorrow and Saturday in the men's sportswear department of the Broadway Del Amo.

Men and women are invited to compare their swing with that of Boros, who will be seen in blowup shots on display.

The golfer merely steps up to the tee and takes a swing at a captive ball. The polaroid goes into action, taking eight pictures within a two-second period, catching all important elements of the swing.

Within 10 seconds, eight colored shots will be developed on the spot for the golfer's analysis.

El Camino Will Open Loop Slate

Metropolitan Conference baseball begins for El Camino College this weekend with three games on tap for the Warriors.

Camino will journey to East Los Angeles tomorrow afternoon in the conference opener and then go north to Bakersfield for a doubleheader on Saturday.

The Chuck Freeman-coached Warriors concluded the pre-season slate with a 4-2 mark and now find themselves in a precarious situation. In Freeman's six years at the helm, his clubs have never won a pennant and never finished below third.

THIS SEASON Freeman's crew has one big advantage over past years — they should remain stable. Last season, major league scouts signed three Warriors to pro pacts during the campaign thoroughly upsetting the Camino Camp.

El Camino concluded its practice season on Tuesday with a 7-2 loss against the USC varsity, defending NCAA champions.

Troy collected four runs in the second frame and three more in the seventh. Former North High chucker Jon Beck, who now owns a 3-1 mark, dropped the nod after giving up four runs and four hits in two innings work. Beck fanned two and walked one. Bob Dellzell, Larry Chastain, Larry Thomas and Don Coil followed Beck to the hill. Thomas gave up three hits and three runs in his only inning of work.

COIL, LAST season's Pioneer League Player of the Year for Torrance High, twirled two frames, allowing one hit while fanning one and walking an equal number. He has now struck out 12 and allowed two runs in 9 innings of work.

BIG INNING

Spartans Explode in Third For Decision Over Saxons

South High came up with five runs in the third inning Monday afternoon to hand cross-town rival North High a 5-1 non-league horseshoe setback.

Only three of South's runs were earned off Saxon hurlers Daryl Masuyama and Jeff Osborne. The other two Spartan tallies came across on a throwing error by Masuyama.

A SINGLE by winning pitcher Gregg Madden, a sacrifice by Dave Farber, a hit batter and Chuck Ropke's slow roller to third loaded the bases in the third frame for South.

John Minech then hit a slow shot to shortstop for the initial

South run. Chick James singled to drive in Dave Torgeson, who had been hit, and Ropke with Minech going to third. James was out attempting to stretch his single into a double.

Phil Vojtecky walked, and without stopping at first, broke for second base. Masuyama attempted to pick Minech off third base, threw wild and Minech and James both tallied.

North's only runs came in the fifth stanza when Dave Rance walked, stole second, went to third on a passed ball and came home on a wild pitch.

The Saxons had little trouble hitting Madden and his re-

placements Dale St. John and Ron Johnston. However, only two of the North shots dropped in for safeties.

In the third frame, Madden set North down on three pitches. Madden lasted five full innings, allowing one hit and three walks while fanning two.

SOUTH WILL open its Bay League season this afternoon at 3 p.m. against Hawthorne on the Cougar diamond. Spartan mentor Jerry Melvine has indicated he will open with St. John.

North will journey to Torrance Park this afternoon to engage Torrance High in a non-league contest.



DAVE HENGSTELER
Camino Mat Coach

City Teams To Initiate Spike Year

Cinder squads from South and North high schools will open their league track campaigns tomorrow afternoon.

South will host Hawthorne in its Bay League opener while North will welcome Morning-side in a meet that could decide the Sky League dual meet championship.

Four squads are almost equally bunched in the Sky League race. North, Morning-side, Inglewood and Leuzinger must all be reckoned with for the crown. Inglewood moved into prominence two weeks ago, upsetting powerful Santa Monica in a dual meet.

DICK SCULLY, head South coach, expects the Spartans' only dual meet win of the year to come against Hawthorne. Although South is perennially a track power, injuries and the loss of miler Bruce Hamilton on a transfer have hurt.

Two runners have turned in outstanding early-season times for South. Dave Ledford ran a 4:28.8 mile on Tuesday while Wes Fox was churning to 440 in 51.4 seconds.

West High will tune up for its Pioneer League opener next week by traveling to Bishop Montgomery tomorrow afternoon.

The Warriors, despite an apparent lack of depth, surprised Coach Bob Holtel in the recent Mira Costa Relays.

COMPETING in the Bee division, a 430-yard relay team of Joel Hons, Bill Jones, Jim Marshall and Tom Jurco grabbed a third place in 47.0 seconds. Howard McVay, Jones, Marshall and Jurco took a fifth in the 660-yard event in 1:12.5.

Hons, Bob St. Cyr, Jones and Mark Knox finished fifth in the shuttle hurdles, clocking 1:02.9. In the Cee shot put, Tom Mays, 39 ft. 1 in.; Steve Mandel, 39 ft. 6 in.; and Tom Black, 37 ft. 9 in., combined to give West a fifth place.