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CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Negro Leagues Baseball continues on the upswing. BASEBALL, the documentary has just concluded on PBS. The NLC greatly appreciates the even-handed coverage of the Negro Leagues. Our hats off to Buck O'Neil for bringing to millions of folks his eloquence and class. Don't miss your opportunity to promote, explain, and educate the new curious public.

We have a new address for Bob Browning, 5657 UNCG Station, Greensboro, N.C. 27413-1033. Phone (910) 632-0453. Also, a shorter address for Kevin Grace, PO Box 210113, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH 45221-0113.

This newsletter reflects the worthy contributions of the following: Luis Alvelo, Paul Bauer, Steve Bennett, Todd Bolton, Rich Bozzone, Bob Browning, David Davis, Paul Debono, Michael Dempsey, Jeff Eastland, David Findlay, James Floto, Phil Grabar, John Haddock, Leslie Heaphy, Bob Hoie, Larry Hogan, Reed Howard, Larry Lester, Jerry Malloy, Gary Maurer, Andy McCue, Sammy Miller, Tom Owens, Jim Passannante, Bob Peterson, Bob Potts, Dottie Riley, Jim Riley, Dan Ross, Jay Sanford, David Skinner, Lyle Spatz, Jerry Sulecki, Gregg Truitt, Tweed Webb, Nelson Wenguer, and Bill Williamson.

THE NEGRO LEAGUES BOOK

In a future edition of the NLC book we hope to include Negro Leaguers who were collegians. Research is ongoing. **2pp list compiled several years ago by David Skinner and Cappy Gagnon is available if you want to help out.

Anyone who has not received the missing page #228, sent by SABR with the current NATIONAL PASTIME, let me know **1pg. Rumor is that the hard covered copies of the book are available, call the SABR office to order.

We plan on adding several players to the organized records section. Currently they are, Walter Bonds, Billy Bruton, Joe Durham, Solly Drake, and Don Eaddy.

Many new addresses have been added to the NLBM list as a result of all the publicity on the Negro Leagues. The latest are Melvin Duncan, Chester Gray, Ray Neil, Marvin Price, and Jesse Williams. Please have any Negro League Veteran contact us if they haven't received the NLC book.

September 16-22 LA WEEKLY, "Don't Look Back" covers a variety of happenings including the NLC publication **1pg.

Pictures on the following pages are available from THE NEGRO LEAGUES BOOK. From Jeff Eastland pages 1,2,3,62,102,176,202,235 top left. Contact me for ordering the following on pages 18,26,36,37,41,49,61,63,74, 98,118,121,155,156,157,158,171,175,190, 195,206 top left,207,216,229,244, and 312. Larry and I are still working on the right system for pricing.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Dr. Larry Hogan was a featured speaker in Galveston, Texas on Monday, August 15, 1994, at the Grand Opera House. The topic; BASEBALL AND THE MEANING OF AMERICA lecture series: SPORTSWRITING AND BASEBALL: WHERE HAVE YOU GONE, RED SMITH. (sounds like a Hogan title.) **2pp article from THE

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DAILY NEWS. Also, **2pp "Diamond Display" as Larry's BEFORE YOU CAN SAY JACKIE ROBINSON..... exhibit is showing in Galveston until October 31st.

**1pg ad for Negro Leaguers show in Washington D.C. 8/20 & 21st. Also a report from Gregg Truitt and Todd Bolton mentioned that 18 players were in attendance.

Didn't know in time for the last newsletter but there was a Saturday October 1st Negro League Baseball Show in Philadelphia with 9 players attending.**1pg.

A future Special Event will be a CRUISE WITH THE NEGRO BASEBALL PLAYERS, scheduled for May 28th to June 4, 1995 in the Caribbean. Bill Cash, Wilmer Fields, and Max Manning are booked already. **1pg Flyer.

I was in attendance at The Meadowlands this year joining Todd Bolton, Bob Retort, Dr. Bob Hieronimus, Ron Marcell and my host Larry Hogan. I arrived in the early evening on Friday at Larry's house and we ventured to the Secaucus Hilton to see the guys later on. Todd was having an informal bull session in his room with Charlie Rivera, Rodolfo Fernandez, and Emilio Navarro, all the way from Puerto Rico. We also had time to speak with many of the other fellows before returning to Fanwood. On Saturday I returned to attend the card show where I met several business folks selling licensed Negro League merchandise. I also met the A-Plus group (more on them later) In the autograph room I went around with Todd's wife Judy and got players to sign the Ron Lewis Negro League Legends II set of cards (six multi-player cards and 26 individual cards, \$26.95 +P&H) Over 36 veterans were in attendance including many new faces. I appreciated my first meetings with Barney Serrell, Art Pennington, Ray Noble, and Warren Peace. Later it was my pleasure to assist Leon Day for a time during the autograph period.

Later that evening Larry and Sally Hogan, Todd and Judy, and myself were guests of former NLBPA President Richard Berg at a special dinner for Buck Leonard who was 87 on the 8th. Lionel Hampton was also saluted. It was again a sincere pleasure to see the Mannings, Fields, and Days and NLC member Monte Irvin, getting around much better these days. A Grand Time!

We have the following articles available; from USA TODAY BASEBALL WEEKLY, "Negro League Players Recall Simpler Times." by Ross Forman **1pg. "Negro League Reunion and Card Show Sept. 10 & 11 in N.J." SCD **1pg. SCD 9/9/94 "Reggie will again donate autograph fee to assist former Negro Leaguers," (he wasn't there) **1pg and **1pg ad of participates.

While I was in New Jersey my wife Marilyn Taylor went White-Water Rafting in West Virginia on the Upper Gauley. She called Saturday evening to the Hogans to inform me she had beaten the rapids but not the rocks, thereby breaking her ankle. She is coming along well but any plans to attend Memphis or Atlantic City were changed.

Larry Hogan has had a very busy two months. Being in Galveston, the Meadowlands, Atlantic City, In Cooperstown to teach in Late October, (entertaining me) and finally, the BEFORE YOU CAN SAY JACKIE ROBINSON documentary aired on Sunday September 25th on the New Jersey PBS Network station before 'BASEBALL'. We have an excellent article **1pg from THE NEWARK STAR-LEDGER of 9/20/94.

The Memphis get-together took place from Thursday the 22th of September to Sunday the 25th and was a smashing success. A brief recap follows. On Thursday most of the players were in attendance as former President Jimmy Carter received an award in Memphis. "An Afternoon With The Memphis Red Sox" was an added treat to the agenda with each player speaking briefly to the crowd, during an 1 1/2 hour program.

Players on hand, for the weekend, were Joe Barnes, Bob Boyd, Ollie Brantley, W.B. Foster, Joe Henry, Cowan Hyde, Clint Jones, Bill Little, Verdell Mathis, Buck O'Neil, Frank Pearson, Ted Radcliffe, Bobby Robinson, Joe B. Scott, Robert "Pepper" Sharpe, and Nathaniel Stone, plus Larry Brown

Jr., Marilyn Williams, daughter of Marlin Carter, and esteemed photographer Ernest Withers.

"An Evening With The Memphis Red Sox" followed at 7:30 PM. The players entered, announced to the crowd and greeted by a standing ovation. Each player spoke briefly passing along some experience from their careers. Buck O'Neil and "Double Duty" Radcliffe were guest speakers with both giving their usual commanding performances.

On Saturday and Sunday a Card Show was held on the University of Memphis campus (where all events were held). Admission was free and the players kept all the monies from picture and autograph sales. A Great Weekend! Congratulations to Dr. John Haddock, Kurt McBee, and the folks at The University of Memphis who put everything together. Remember MORE THAN JUST BASEBALL exhibit continues until October 21st. Look for articles in the next newsletter.

On Saturday October 1st, The Committee to Restore "Pop" Lloyd Stadium had the Rededication of the Restored Park in Atlantic City, New Jersey. The official ceremonies went off at 12:30. Among those on hand were players, Russell Awkard, Joe Black, Leon Day, Larry Doby, Monte Irvin, Max Manning, and Willie Mays. After the dedication the Second Annual John Henry "Pop" Lloyd Humanitarian Award was given to Co-Honorees Willie Mays and a "surprised" Max Manning. A commemorative ticket with a picture of Lloyd and Mays on the front and facsimile signatures of Lloyd, Mays, and Manning on the back is available for a \$10 donation (tax-free); a program is just \$5. Make checks payable to Committee to Restore Pop Lloyd Stadium PO Box 1822 Atlantic City, NJ 08401. Later 300 personally signed tickets by Willie and Max will be available no price as yet. Articles "We art keeping the promise" **1pg, "Keep the Promise" **1pg SCD 10/7/94 and **2pp copy of invitation.

COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

We extend the grandest birthday wishes to Gene Benson (Oct.2), Leon Day (Oct.30), Buck O'Neil (Nov.13), and Max Manning (Nov.18).

I'm very sorry to report the passing of Luis Villodas in Ponce, P.R. on August 22, 1994.

There are two articles in the latest THE NATIONAL PASTIME, "George W. Stovey" by Lou Hunsinger Jr. and "Smokey And The Bandit" by Larry Lester.

We have three more articles on Jim Riley and his Biographical Encyclopedia. INDIANAPOLIS STAR, 5/22/94 "Black Baseball Encyclopedia Uncovers Little-Known Details," **1pg. JOHNSON CITY PRESS, 7/8/94 "Savoring The Past," **2pp and ELIZABETHAN STAR 7/10/94, "Riley Preserves Precious History," **2pp.

Cleveland SUNDAY SCOOP JOURNAL, 8/16/94 **2pp story about SABR with NLC book mentioned.

Theater Artaud, in San Francisco, presented "Barnstormin" on August 27th & 28th, presented by Shakiri.

Second Annual Spring Training Conference, will be held in Phoenix, Arizona, March 10-12, 1995. Jules Tygiel will be keynote speaker. Call for papers by November, 1994 **2pp brochure.

THE DISCOVER GREATNESS EXHIBIT will be in Madison, Wi. from October 2, 1994 to January 15, 1995 at the State Historical Museum of Wisconsin.

KEN BURNS FILM: "BASEBALL"

I certainly hope most everyone was able to view this epic work. Regardless of anyone's personal opinion of the overall work I believe the Negro Leagues were given very fair treatment. It would be hard to have done better. We have many articles on the film and Negro Leagues coverage within.

KANSAS CITY STAR 8/4/94 "More Than a Game" **4pp.

USA TODAY 9/22/94, "Coming out of the 'Shadow'" (O'Neil) **1pg

WASHINGTON POST "White House Pitches In" **1pg

PARADE Magazine 8/14/94, "Ballpark Favorite" **1pg and 9/11/94, "When Baseball Was Segregated," **1pg.

USA TODAY, "Documentary offers historical tidbits modern day insights" **1pg.

The September, 1994 STL (St.Louis) magazine is a tribute to baseball **6pp.

US NEWS AND WORLD REPORT, August 29/September 5, 1994 covers all of the BASEBALL film. Five of the 33 pages are on "Shadow Ball".

THE SMITHSONIAN (July or August edition) had a **9pp article, "Ken Burns puts his special spin on the old ball game."

PHILADELPHIA DAILY NEWS 8/11/94, "The grass was always greener," **1pg.

KANSAS CITY STAR, 9/21/94 "An enduring love affair: KC, Baseball," **3pp & 9/22/94, "A star is born...at 82," **2pp.

THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER MAGAZINE, 9/18/94, "The Prime Time Of Our Pastime," **9pp.

**4pp press release on BASEBALL

SCD 10/14/94, "Baseball: pastime, passion, and parable," **3pp.

BASEBALL: AN ILLUSTRATED HISTORY, is \$60, over 500 pages with index and complete picture credits. SABR has a discount on the book, also. An off shoot is SHADOW BALL: THE HISTORY OF THE NEGRO LEAGUES, with Satchel on the cover. It is 80 pages. I believe all the pictures are also in the BASEBALL book.

NEGRO LEAGUES RELATED ARTICLES

"Strike or no Strike, Discover Greatness: Visit The Negro Leagues Museum," THE METRO HERALD, 8/5/94, **3pp.

KANSAS CITY CALL, "Royals to wear Monarchs uniforms against A's Aug. 3" **1pg THE KANSAS CITY STAR, 8/4/94, "Vintage uniforms pass winning test," **1pg

KANSAS CITY STAR, "That Championship Season," 8/4/94 **1pg

**1pg "NLBPA Discusses Reorganization," 9/2/94 SCD

BALTIMORE SUN, 8/14/94 **1pg, "Negro Leaguers talk Survival"

CHICAGO TRIBUNE, 8/8/94, **2pp, "Star player recalls Negro League days," (Radcliffe)

ANN ARBOR NEWS, 9/21/94, "Major League too." (Chester Gray) & "Ypsilanti shop sells history," **3pp.

WASHINGTON POST, 9/4/94 Flashbacks cartoon **1pg, "The team with two home towns,".

THE INDIANAPOLIS STAR, "Recognition is in the Cards," (Bill Owens) **2pp

THE NEWS JOURNAL (Wilmington), "Baseball ties span the years," (William Lindsay) **1pg

A LEAGUE OF UNKNOWNs a series in THE TIMES-PICAYUNE by Ted Lewis, July 4-8, 1994. "Baseball history bounced close to home," (John Wright) **2pp "Negro Leagues had local flavor," **3pp. "Brown was a big hit," (Willard) **2pp. "Perfect Gentleman" (Malarcher) **4pp. "Baseball as Theater" (Bassett) **3pp. "Ducky Filled the Bill," (Davenport) **3pp. "Second to none at third," (Marcelle) **2pp.

SPORTS ILLUSTRATED 40th Anniversary Issue, 9/19/94, "The Guiding Light," **9pp on Buck O'Neil.

THE SACRAMENTO BEE, 8/28/94, "An era to remember," (KC Museum) **3pp and "It's batter up in Kansas City," **1pg

POST-GAZETTE (Pittsburgh), "Players recall bittersweet days in Negro League," **2pp.

LA TIMES, 8/19/94, "History Lesson, (Sammie Haynes), **3pp. & "Flawed System," (Jethroe) **1pg.

MINORITY OPPORTUNITY NEWS, August, 1994, "Ebony field of dreams," **2pp

KANSAS CITY STAR, 8/6/94, "Museum has grand beginning," **1pg

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"Ball players life is soft," NEW JERSEY HERALD NEWS 8/19/94 **1pg
 THE DIAMOND, March/April, 1994 has Jim Riley's latest story, "Lady at the Bat," (Toni Stone) **3pp.
 "Only game in town," NORWICH BULLETIN, 9/15/94 **3pp.
 AP Wire Story, "Jethroe battles for Major League pension," **2pp.
 August, 1994, THE DIAMOND ANGLE, "We are family" **1pg
 WASHINGTON POST, 8/21/94, **2pp, "Present Reminders of Glory Past."
 NEWARK STAR LEDGER, 7/31/94, "A tale of two heroes" Jerry Izerberg At Large (Rizzuto-Day) **1pg.
 "A great Day for baseball," by Gregg Truitt, the complete article **5pp
 LOS ANGELES TIMES, 9/18/94, "Negro Leaguers equaled White Major Leaguers in accomplishments if not notoriety," **2pp.
 "He's the king of the Caribbean Collectors," (Yuyo Ruiz) SCD 9/23/94 **2pp.
 HAGERSTOWN MD. THE HERALD-MAIL, 8/14/94, "Former Negro League Players can't Understand Strike," **1pg. Also in THE SUNDAY RECORD 8/14/94 Hackensack, NJ.
 THE BALTIMORE SUN, 7/24/94, "Stadium sites recall glory days of Black Baseball," **1pg.
 THE MEMPHIS FLYER, June 30-July 6, 1994, "Blackballed" (Memphis Red Sox) **3pp.
 ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT GAZETTE, 8/21/94 **2pp, "Negro League vets muse on lost dream: getting to the Majors."
 University of Memphis, "Finally even the score" Exhibit **2pp
 Capital Cities ABC INK Fall, 1993 on NLBM **1pg
 "Paving the way for others," (O'Neil) **5pp THE DETROIT NEWS 9/28/94
 THE DES MOINES SUNDAY REGISTER, 8/21/94, "A Forgotten Chapter of Baseball History," (J.L. Wilkinson) **4pp. Same paper 8/28/94 **1pg on Wilkinson from Letters on Sports. Also, "The Story of The Algona Brownies," **2pp

CURRENT AND FUTURE INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS

A-PLUS: AFRO AMERICAN POSTAL LEAGUE UNITED FOR SUCCESS was heavily involved in getting the Buffalo Soldier Stamp issued by the Postal Service. They are now lobbying hard for a Negro Leagues Stamp. We need to help with this gallant effort. Many of you reading this have received a copy of the letter being sent to the Postmaster General. Duplicate the letter and pass it along to everyone to mail in. Let's do our part to make this a reality.

Bob Browning continues his research on the Negro Southern League franchise in Asheville, NC. He also seeks all information on William Greason, Birmingham pitcher. Contact him.

Bob Hoie reports two additional Negro Leaguers with glasses are George Crowe and Roberto Vargas. I can add Morton Clark.

Chuck Carey 2849 W. Polk Ave, Anaheim, CA 92801 seeks to exchange information on turn-of-the-century Black teams in California.

David Skinner seeks any info on Antonio Ruiz (Perez) the pitcher covered briefly in THE NEGRO LEAGUES BOOK. This is part of his project of researching the integration of the Arizona-Texas League. Write him at PO Box 777 Bisbee, AZ 85603.

Daniel Hayes would like to assist anyone who is researching the Black Leagues and teams of Texas. Contact him at 1109 W. Vanderbilt Stephenville, Tx 76401.

David Findlay and Clifford Reid are working on a paper extolling the qualities of Minnie Minoso for The Hall of Fame and the treatment of former Negro Leaguers by The Hall.

Jerry Sulecki answered Steve Bennett's inquiry about who Bill Veeck may have chosen if he had purchased the 1943 Phillies and stocked them with Negro Leaguers. I appreciate Jerry sharing his thoughts with the NLC.

Luis Alvelo had an outstanding show Sept. 17th & 18th. I certainly appreciate the great pictures of his exhibit table. His next show will be his first in San Juan on November 12th where media coverage will be heavy.

THE MARKETPLACE

Here are two new books from McFarland and Co., call (910) 246-4460:
(1) FAIR DEALING AND CLEAN PLAYING: THE HILLDALE CLUB AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF BLACK PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL 1910-32, by Neil Lanctot is an excellent additional to anyone's library. It has 298 pages 37 pictures 3 appendices, completely documented and with bibliography and index. Recommended highly.

(2) CROSSING THE LINE: BLACK MAJOR LEAGUERS 1947-59 by Moffi and Kronstadt is \$35 + \$2 P&H. 251 pages and index. 116 players are covered with overviews and complete Major League records. The biographical data is somewhat inconsistent with some minor errors. Perhaps McFarland will someday hire a baseball book editor. The book is very enjoyable check it out.

I again recommend NINE: THE JOURNAL, to everyone. The latest issue Vol 3 #1 Fall, 1994, has the article "Nine Principles of Successful Affirmative Action: Mr Branch Rickey, Mr Jackie Robinson, and the Integration of Baseball," a 30 page story.

Dan Ross, editor-in-chief of The University of Nebraska Press has kindly passed along info on next spring's list of books of interest to us: The Sol-White Guide reprint with Jerry Malloy's terrific introduction and new material; David Zang's biography of Fleet Walker; Dean Sullivan's book of documents on early baseball which includes Black team items; and a new reprint Roy Campanella's IT'S GOOD TO BE ALIVE (new intro by Jules Tygiel.)

Quincy Troupe's TWENTY YEARS TOO SOON will be reissued.

Buck Leonard's autobiography by Jim Riley is on schedule for Spring.

TED "DOUBLE DUTY" RADCLIFFE, 36 YEARS OF PITCHING AND CATCHING IN BASEBALL'S NEGRO LEAGUES is available from McNary Publishing PO Box 62421 St. Louis Park, MN 55426 for \$14.95 + \$3 P&H (and another \$3 for an autographed copy.) I suggest calling to confirm. Kyle McNary (612) 722-7629. **2pp press release.

Negro League Legends lithograph (24"x36") of THE NEGRO LEAGUES BOOK cover is available for \$30 + \$4 P&H call (216) 842-1775**3pp AD.

**1pg listing of AD for Negro League memorabilia & autographs from SCD

I saw many new T-shirts, hats, sweatshirts, photos, and more at the Meadowlands Reunion show and in retail stores. It is everywhere BUT remember to look for licensed items as royalties go to the players.

Amalgamated Culture Works, 27 Berard Dr., S. Burlington, Vt. 05401: (800) 272-2066 has come out with 10 new player T-Shirts by artist Jeff Santana including Satchel Paige, Josh Gibson, and Cool Papa Bell. **2pp

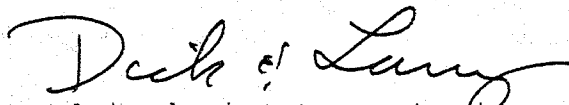
Image Concepts, Inc. (800) 846-2438 has a new limited edition picture by Preston Samppson on the Negro Leagues UNCONQUERABLE SOULS. **2pp flyer.

A Larry Doby cachet commemorating the retirement of his number 14 by the Indians has been issued **1pg or call (818) 358-6253.

A vintage 1906 Harrisburg Colored Giants picture which had Spot Poles as its' major attraction (15"x21") sold for \$3960, rare but highly overpriced. **2pp article **1pg listing in presentation book- **1pg ad.

FINAL REMARKS

The next newsletter will be December's. Please get all material to me before the last week of November. Happy Thanksgiving to all.


Dick Clark & Larry Lester
NLC Co-Chairpeople