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Broadcasting Team To Receive Awards At National Event

A network broadcasting team has pulled off a double for the fifth annual National Sports-casters and Sportswriters Award program scheduled here April 4-7.

Chuck Thompson of the National Broadcasting Company has won the outstanding sportscaster award for the state of Maryland while his assistant, Frank Messer, has won the top sport-casting award for the state of Virginia.

Thompson and Messer will be heard broadcasting the Baltimore Orioles games this summer and the Baltimore Colts games this fall.

Thompson is no stranger to Salisbury and Rowan County. This is his fifth straight trip here to receive Maryland's outstanding sportscaster award.

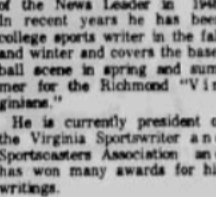
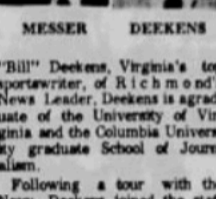
For 20 years Thompson has been doing radio and TV play-by-play of baseball, football, golf and basketball. He has been the announcer for the Philadelphia Phillies, Baltimore Orioles and the Washington Senators.

Outstanding sports events are Thompson's specialty. He has done everything from Bing Crosby's Golf Tournament to World Series games and has broadcast Saturday's major league baseball games on the NBC network.

Messer joined Thompson early this year. He is now preparing to work with Thompson on the Orioles and Colts.

Prior to his move, Messer was with WRVA in Richmond, Va., where he specialized in broadcasts of baseball, football and basketball. He has broadcast the Richmond "Virginians" baseball games in the International League, the University of Virginia and Virginia Tech football games and worked as both color man and play-by-play announcer of University of Richmond basketball games.

Messer has won six awards in Virginia for sports programs and four for newscasting. He is a native of Asheville.



Rawls Enters Titleholders Golf Tourney

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP)—Betsy Rawls has one thing in common with Sam Snead in the world of golfing competition.

Snead, despite his scores of tournament victories, has never won the National Open. Miss Rawls, in 13 years of competition in which she has won numerous tournaments, has yet to win the Titleholders championship.

She will be back to try again when the tourney gets under way April 23-26 at the Augusta Country Club. Miss Rawls, of Spartanburg, S.C., accepted her invitation Saturday, along with Jo Ann Prentice of Birmingham, Ala., and Carol Mann of Towson, Md.

Nine golfers now have entered the 25th renewal of the 72-hole medal play tourney.

Casper Captures Doral Tourney Lead

Baxter Trails In Second By Stroke

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—Plump Billy Casper shot a five-under-par 67 on a wet course and in gusty winds Saturday to surge from seventh Saturday to the lead in the third round of the \$50,000 Doral Open Golf Tournament.

Casper's 54-hole score of 207, nine under par for the 7,028-yard course, dislodged Jack Nicklaus, Rex Baxter and Bob Shave, who had shared the top spot.

Baxter took an even par 72 and dropped a stroke behind Casper at 208. Jack Rule, riding a 68 up the ladder, went into a three-way deadlock for third place with Nicklaus and Shave, who settled for 73a.

For the bulk of the field, scores ran higher than Friday when Nicklaus, Baxter and Butch Baird broke the course record with 66a.

Saturday play was delayed for almost an hour at midday by a drenching rain.

EIGHT BIRDIES
Casper shot eight birdies and three bogys during a strong but erratic round.

The 32-year-old Casper, winner of the Doral inaugural two years ago, launched his round by sinking a 25-foot birdie putt following a sharp recovery when his tee shot landed behind a tree. He also birdied the second with a six-foot putt.

A bogey slowed him at the fourth when he missed the green, but he birdied the fifth and sixth with putts of 15 and six feet and birdied the eighth after chipping from off the green to the lip of the cup.

After a 10-foot putt brought him another birdie on the 10th, Casper bogeyed the 11th by driving into a sand trap, then birdied the 14th and 15th with approach shots that left him putts of only two and four feet.

He ended the round in anger, however, when he three-putted the 18th for a bogey. He blamed it on a house photographer who he said had upset him by winding his camera.

75,500 PRIZE
Victory in the Doral would bring Casper a \$7,500 prize, by far the biggest he has managed this year. Although he has won 21 titles on the tour, including the 1959 U.S. Open, his game has produced only \$2,612 this year.

Sam Snead and Joe Lopez, an unemployed club pro from Miami, wound up the third round in a tie for sixth at 210 after rounds of 73 and 72, respectively. Both are 51.

Arnold Palmer and Gary Player, who with Nicklaus have made up "The Big Three," were far behind.

Palmer was on the practice tee an hour before the start of the round, but could do no better than 73. He is a stroke over par for the 54-hole route at 217.

Player leads him by three strokes at 214.



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Southeastern 500 Race Set Today

BRISTOL, Tenn. (AP)—Chrysler products took the top five positions in second day qualifying Saturday for the late model Southeastern 500 stock car race, but Marvin Panch's 1964 Ford has the pole position.

Paul Goldsmith of Mexico City was clocked at 79.120 miles per hour in a 1964 Plymouth to win No. 13. Jim Paschal of High Point in a 1964 Dodge hit 78.431 m.p.h. to claim No. 14 and David Pearson of Spartanburg, S. C., in a 1964 Dodge took position No. 15 at 78.057.

The last 12 positions were determined in a 20-lap runoff race.

Table of race qualifiers including names like Paul Goldsmith, Jim Paschal, David Pearson, etc.

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After wrecking his Ford-powered Studebaker in the first lap of Concord's first "Speed Month" feature two weeks ago, the Glen Allen, Va., speedster vowed to make good his national championship status, if given another chance at the fast half-mile Concord oval.

The machine he'll drive Sunday is a throwback to Pontiac's heyday in the winner's circle. But, to win he must overcome powerful opposition from some of the guttiest drivers in NASCAR's modified and sportsman division. Among these, already entered, is Sonny Hutchins of Richmond, Va., winner of Concord's first "Speed Month" event, who will be trying for a second win in a Ford-powered '55 Studebaker.

Five events make up Sunday's NASCAR Special Event at Concord, including two 10-lap heats and a 10-lap consolation prior to the 50-lap main event for Late Model Modified and Sportsman and ending with a 20-lapper for vintage 1946 and later hobbys.

Time trials for Sunday's races get underway at 12 noon, scheduled time for the first race is 2 p.m.

Rain Postpones State's Game

RALEIGH, N. C. (AP)—Rain forced postponement of North Carolina State's game-condition scrimmage Saturday, marking the end of its spring football workouts.

The Wolfpack was to work out at 10:30 a.m. in Riddick Stadium, but Coach Earle Edwards blew the final whistle before his players ran onto the sloppy field.

"We've had 19 full sessions already, and the boys played last Saturday in rain and mud," Edwards said. "We don't learn much when they slip and slide out there."

Livingstone Sets Spring Schedule

Spring sports at Livingstone College will be heavy this year, according to the schedules released by athletic director Charles Cox.

The track season will be highlighted by a number of invitational meets, including the first annual Livingstone Invitational on May 2. Cox, who coaches the track team, said plans are to also invite high school teams to participate between college events.

Livingstone's new track is being readied, Cox said, and with a break in the weather it could be ready for use within two weeks.

The golf schedule consists of five matches, opening March 27 at Howard University.

In tennis, a new foe has been added. Pfeiffer College will play the Bears on a home-and-home basis.

Cox handles track, L. A. Warner golf, and Grady Nelson tennis.

TRACK
March 28—Hampton Institute, there; April 4—Triangular meet, there; April 11—Quadrangular meet, here; April 18—S. C. State Invitational meet, there; April 25—Fayetteville State Invitational meet, there; May 2—Livingstone Invitational meet, here; May 7-9—CITAA championship at Virginia State College.

GOLF
March 27—Howard University, there; April 4—Elizabeth City, there; April 17—Johnson C. Smith, there; April 18—Howard University, here; April 27—Winston-Salem State Teachers, there.

TENNIS
March 27—Howard University, there; April 1—N. C. State College, there; April 4—Elizabeth City State, there; April 6—Fayetteville State, there; April 8—St. Augustine College, there; April 10—Pfeiffer, there; April 13—Fayetteville State, here; April 16—St. Augustine, here; April 17—J. C. Smith, there; April 18—Howard University, here; April 22—Pfeiffer, here; April 25—Elizabeth City, here; April 29—N. C. College, here; May 1—Johnson C. Smith, here; May 2—Winston-Salem, there; May 4—Winston-Salem State, here.

Parkes, Maglioli Win At Sebring

SEBRING, Fla. (AP)—Mike Parkes of England and Umberto Maglioli of Italy, working together for the first time, drove a powerful new Ferrari to record course victory Saturday night in an injury-riddled 12-hour Sebring Grand Prix road race.

Parkes flashed across the finish line well ahead of the Italian team of Ludovico Scarfiotti and Nino Vaccarella, both of Milan.

Defending champion John Surtees of England, teamed with Lorenzo Bandini of Italy, was third.

It was the sixth time in seven years that a Ferrari has won the U.S. road racing classic and it was by far the most impressive victory. It marked the first time in the event's 14-year history that the Italian-made Ferraris swept all three top places.

Parkes, a 32-year-old London bachelor who works as an automotive engineer when not racing, not only set a speed record for Sebring but completed the most miles ever for a winner here.

Parkes and Maglioli, who escaped the mechanical troubles that plagued some of the other 12-cylinder rear-engine prototype Ferraris, finished almost five laps ahead of the closest non-Ford Cobras, which had challenged the foreign cars during much of the race.

Less than an hour before the finish, a spectacular wreck in front of the main grandstand eliminated the Cobra team of Dan Gurney of Mesa, Calif., and Bob Johnson of Columbus, Ohio, and sent Johnson to a St. Petersburg hospital.

With Johnson at the controls and running fourth, the racer collided with an Alfa Romeo driven by Consalvo Saneesi of Italy. The cars burst into flames. One careened into a pit wall, spreading flames as it went.

At St. Petersburg Mound Park Hospital attendants reported Saneesi was in serious condition from burns about the face and neck.

Johnson complained of leg pains and X rays were taken. He was not burned.

Earlier, two other drivers were hospitalized when their racers overturned on the sharp hairpin turns that mark the 5.2 mile course at the old World War II air base.

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Yellow Jackets Invade Greensboro On Monday

Lanky Darrell Parks has drawn the assignment of starting on the mound for Boyden High's Yellow Jackets in their opening Central 4-A Conference baseball game.

Parks will be on the hill Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock when Greensboro Grimsley invades the Boyden field.

The 6-6 right-hander worked three innings in Boyden opening 7-6 loss at the hands of East Rowan Thursday afternoon. He fanned three and issued only one walk. He blanked the Mustangs during his stint at pitching.

Coach Jack Turney, who experimented considerably in the game with East, said he will probably make several changes in his lineup against Grimsley.

Johnny Misener, also a pitcher, will probably play at third base while Jack Lanning, another pitcher and also a good hitter, may get a starting outfield berth.

Elsewhere Stan Berkshire will be at first base, Kent Kirchin or Tommy Gillis at second base. Billy Gribble at shortstop and Misener or Bucky Cline at third.

In the outfield will be John Lentz in left, Frank Starkey in center and Wayne Wood in right field. John Harris will catch.

Bunton Named Tiger Captain

CLEMSON, S. C. (AP)—Ted Bunton, a senior center from Pelzer, was elected captain of the 1964 Clemson football team Saturday.

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