

FOR THE RECORD

OBITUARIES

Travis C. Jackson, a star infielder with the New York Giants in the 1920s and '30s who had a .291 career batting average and was selected to the Hall of Fame by the Veterans Committee in 1982, died July 17 at his home in Waldo, Ark. He was 83.

A skinny kid who already had an excellent throwing arm when he was purchased by the Giants from Little Rock (Southern) in 1922, Jackson spent his first full year at the Polo Grounds as an understudy for shortstop Dave Bancroft and third baseman Heinie Grob in 1923, and had the thrill of pinch hitting in the World Series as a rookie.

The next spring, Jackson took over at shortstop when Bancroft came down with pneumonia. He batted .302 in 151 games and made it easy for the Giants' John J. McGraw to ship Bancroft to the Boston Braves, who were seeking

the shortstop's services as a playing manager.

Jackson would go on to bat .300 or better in six of his 15 seasons in a Giants uniform, despite injuries and illnesses that plagued him throughout his career.

He had suffered a skull fracture, the result of a collision in a minor league game, an accident that cost the other player the sight of one eye, and his knees were a source of almost constant trouble during his years with the Giants.

Jackson suffered torn cartilage in his right knee in 1925, an injury that permanently reduced his mobility and running speed, and a chipped bone in his left knee in 1932. He had surgery on both knees the following winter, and shifted to third base thereafter, making the final two of his four World Series appearances at the hot corner.

He had undergone an appendec-

tomy in 1927, and had been felled by mumps in 1930 and influenza in 1932 at a time when those ailments could be serious. They were, in Jackson's case.

But he enjoyed some great years with some great Giants teams, nevertheless. Regarded as a clutch hitter, Jackson whacked 21 homers in 1929 and batted a career-high .339 the following season. He drove in 101 runs for the 1934 Giants. But he batted only .149 in four Series (1923, '24, '33 and '36).

Possessing what rival Charlie Grimm called "just about the finest arm I ever saw on a shortstop," Jackson led National League shortstops in fielding in 1931.

Offensively, his career totals included 1,768 hits and 929 RBIs in 1,656 games.

Jackson remained with the Giants' organization following his retirement as a player in 1936 at

the age of 33. He managed New York's top farm club at Jersey City (International) for two seasons, then coached with the parent club under his former teammates, Mel Ott and Bill Terry.

Jackson managed in the minors for the Giants and Milwaukee Braves at Jackson, Tampa, Owensboro, Bluefield, Hartford, Appleton, Lawton, Midland, Eau Claire and Davenport before retiring and returning to Waldo in 1961.

His election by the Veterans Committee placed the entire 1928 Giants infield in the Hall of Fame, with Jackson joining Terry, Rogers Hornsby and Fred Lindstrom among baseball's elite.

Terry, Jackson's old roommate and later his manager in New York, is the only survivor from among that foursome, and he is in failing health at age 88.

Joseph F. Burns, among the old-

est of former major league baseball players at 98, died July 12 in a Beverly, Mass., nursing home.

A left-handed-hitting outfielder, Burns was signed by the Cincinnati Reds in 1910 after playing semi-pro baseball in Ipswich, Mass., his hometown, but appeared in only one game that season, getting a single as a pinch-hitter in his only at-bat.

Burns then played in the minors until he was sold to the Detroit Tigers late in the 1913 season. He appeared in four games for Detroit before being returned to Portland, Me.

His career was interrupted in 1918 when he served in the military during World War I, and he then spent several seasons at Reading, Buffalo and Bridgeport. He retired as a player in 1927 and was employed for many years by New England Carbide Co.

TRANSACTIONS

Baseball

Angels—Placed catcher Butch Wynegar on 15-day disabled list; transferred pitcher Donnie Moore from 15-day to 21-day disabled list; signed first baseman Bill Buckner as free agent.

Astros—Placed pitcher Jim Deshaies on 15-day disabled list; pitcher Charlie Kerfeld on 21-day disabled list; optioned infielder Jim Pankovits to Tucson; recalled pitcher Juan Agosto from Tucson; acquired pitcher Jeff Heathcock from Tucson.

A's—Placed pitcher Bill Caudill on 21-day disabled list; gave infielder Johnnie LeMaster his unconditional release; sent catcher Mickey Tetleton to Modesto for rehabilitation; activated infielder Mike Gallego and outfielder Dwayne Murphy.

Braves—Recalled pitcher Ed Olwine from Richmond; activated pitcher David Palmer.

Brewers—Optioned pitcher Alex Madrid to Denver; placed infielder Jim Gantner on 15-day disabled list retroactive to June 28; assigned pitcher Len Barker outright to Denver; acquired pitcher Ray Burris from Denver.

Cardinals—Traded pitcher Dave LaPoint to White Sox for pitcher Bryce Hulstrom and assigned Hulstrom, who was on Peninsula roster, to Springfield; assigned pitcher Tim Conroy to Springfield for rehabilitation; activated pitcher John Tudor.

Dodgers—Placed first baseman Franklin Stubbs on 21-day disabled list; recalled infielder Jeff Hamilton from Albuquerque.

Giants—Optioned infielder Mark Wasinger to Phoenix; recalled pitcher Jon Perleman from Phoenix.

Indians—Traded pitcher Steve Carlton to Twins for player to be named; acquired pitcher Jeff Kaiser from Buffalo.

Mariners—Optioned pitcher Stan Clarke to Calgary; recalled pitcher Dennis Powell from Calgary.

Mets—Optioned pitcher Bob Gibson to Tidewater; activated pitcher Terry Leach.

Pirates—Traded pitcher Don Robinson to Giants for catcher Mackey Sasser and \$50,000; assigned Sasser to Vancouver; assigned pitcher Dorn Taylor outright to Vancouver; assigned pitcher Bob Kipper to Vancouver; recalled pitcher Hipolito Pena from Vancouver.

Red Sox—Placed catcher Rich Gedman on 21-day disabled list; pitcher Oil Can Boyd on 15-day disabled list; recalled pitcher Rob Woodward from Pawtucket; acquired catcher John Marzano from Pawtucket.

Reds—Optioned pitcher Bill Landrum to Nashville; acquired pitcher Jeff Montgomery from Nashville.

Royals—Optioned pitcher Steve Farr to Omaha; recalled infielder Ross Jones from Omaha; traded infielder Buddy Bauncaiana, who was on Omaha roster, to Astros for pitcher Mel Stottlemyre Jr.; Stottlemyre, who was on Columbus, Ga., roster, was assigned to Memphis.

Twins—Assigned pitcher Mike Smithson to Portland.

Yankees—Placed outfielder Rickey Henderson on 15-day disabled list retroactive to July 26; assigned infielder Paul Zurvela outright to Columbus, O.; optioned pitcher Pat Clements to Columbus, O.; recalled pitcher Dennis Rasmussen and outfielder Roberto Kelly from Columbus, O.; acquired pitcher Al Holland from Columbus, O.; signed pitcher Bob Shirley as free agent; assigned him to

Basketball

Bucks—Invited center Earl Jones, forward Rod Ripley and guard Mike Heineman to free agent camp.

Celtics—Invited guards Arnie Duncan, Antonio Paris and Brook Steppe and forwards Jeff Cross, Johnny Edwards and Mike O'Koren to rookie-free agent camp.

Kings—Invited forward Scooter McCray to training camp.

Nuggets—Invited guards Cedric Toney and Andre Turner and forwards Leroy Combs, Tommy Collier, Ralph Lewis and Forrest McKenzie to play for their entry in the Midwest Rookie Revue.

Pacers—Draft choice forward Mike Milling (5th round) announced that he will play in Belgium next season.

Spurs—Invited guards Bruce Douglas, Keith Edmundson and Richard Reifford and forwards Derrick Gervin and Don Redden to play for their entry in the Midwest Rookie Revue.

Seas—Invited center Ozell Jones to play for their summer league team; released forward Gerry Besselink, guard Clyde Vaughn and center Jeff Pehl.

Warriors—Invited forward Bill Garrett and guard Anthony Watson to rookie-free agent camp.

Football

Note—The number following the draft choice selection of a player or after a veteran free agent signing is the days of training camp missed after signing late.

Bears—Re-signed following veteran free agent RB Walter Payton, G Tom Thayer, DB Shaun Gayle, TE Emery Moorehead and DE Mike Hartenstine; signed following draft choices: WR Ron Morris (2nd), DE Steve Bryan (3th), LB Will Johnson (5th) and Paul Migliozzo (8th), C John Adickes (8th), OT Archie Harris (7th), RB Lakei Heimuli (9th) and Tim Jessie (11th) and DT Dick Chapura (10th); signed WR Herbert Johnson and DBs Lorenzo Lynch and Bruce McCray (all recently released by Cowboys); released LB Dan Rains (failed physical).

Bengals—Re-signed following veteran free agent LB Ron Simpkins, CB Ray Horton and RB Stanford Jennings; re-signed option-year RB James Brooks; signed draft choice CB Eric Thomas (2nd, 2); released K Steve Fehr and DL Jim Herrmann (failed physical); released Ps Shaun Burdick and John Starnes, DE Brian Raber and LB David Butler.

Bills—Re-signed following veteran free agent WR Jerry Butler, LB Darryl Talley, G Tim Vogler and TE Pete Metzelaars; signed draft choice DE Leon Seals (4th, 4); released RBs Gary Worthy and Dave Clark, TE Don Kern, CB Glenn Jones, WR Marc Brown, S Mike Kenealy, OT Don Robinson, LB Jim Melka and NT Scott Garnett; OT Roger Caron did not report; S Pete Ewald left camp.

Broncos—Signed G John Ayers (recently released by 49ers); CB Louis Wright retired; released draft choice G Dan Morgan (8th), draft choice RB Tommy Neal (11th), RB James Demerritt, TE Russell Payne, WRs Mickey Bell and Shane Swanson, OT Kevin Beicher, P John Pieper, QB Monte McGuire and K Chris O'Brien.

Browns—Re-signed following veteran free agent WRs Brian Brennan, Reggie Langborne and Clarence Weathers, K Man Bahr, DE Sam Clancy, P Jeff Gossett, TEs Barry Holt and Travis Tucker, C George Liles and G Larry Williams; signed draft choice OL Gregg Rakoczy (2nd, 4); signed WR Tim Smith (recently released by Chargers); re-

leased WRs Clyde Duncan and Sam Johnson, OL Shawn Heffern, Ron Pasquale, Scott Kehoe and Billy Kidd, NT Jim Paucicello, LB Scott Walters and S Terry Wright; LB Charles Bowser left camp.

Buccaneers—Acquired OL Darryl Haley from Patriots for future draft pick; re-signed following veteran free agent DE John Cannon and K Donald Igwebuike; signed G Almon Young (recently released by 49ers); placed C Kevin Thomas (knee) on injured reserve; released NT Richard Teets and DBs Gary Moss, Gary Hunt, Michael Hudson and Jack Epps; WR Ed Scott left camp.

Cardinals—Re-signed following veteran free agent LB Niko Noga and DT Mark Duda; signed following draft choices: S Tim McDonald (2nd, 15) and TE Robert Awalt (3rd, 13); released WR Pat Tilley and DL Scott Bergold (failed physical); released RBs Thomas Rooks, Derrick Thomas, Danny Crowell and Randy Rutledge, OL Jeff Reban, Navy Tuaisosopo and Mark Larsen, WRs James Brim and Russell Evans, LBs William Altens and Octavian Sharpe, K Rich Spielman, P Kelly Holodick, DE Curtis Anderson and DBs Mark Mathis, Struggle Smith, Lance Harkey, Dennis Smith and John Gripton.

Chargers—Re-signed following veteran free agent QB Mark Herrmann, C Don Macek and NT Chuck Elin; signed following draft choices: DE Karl Wilson (3rd, 6) and DB Anthony Anderson (10th, 6); draft choice C Joe Goebel (11th) retired; signed DEs Keith Baldwin (qualifying offer recently withdrawn by Browns) and Jim Stuckey (49ers and Jets '86), WRs David Williams (recently released by Buccaneers) and Bruce Davis (Raiders camp '86); LB Jack Squirek left camp; released CB Ken Taylor (failed physical), LBs Francesco Guizetti, James Hall and Rick Spielman, S Steve Lauter, OTs Greg Williamson and Chuck Rogers, TE Leonard Charlton, WR Tony Champion and RBs Eddie Goodlow and Stephen Scriber.

Chiefs—Signed LB Ken McAlister (Chiefs '86); placed C Bill Schick (dislocated finger) on injured reserve; released K Eric Schubert, WR John Trahan and CB David Rackley; LB George Peteran left camp.

Colts—Re-signed veteran free agent LBs LaMonte Hunsley and Glen Redd (subsequently released); signed draft choice WR Mark Bellini (7th, 3); signed DL Kenneth Dodson (Broncos camp '86) and DE Booker Reese (failed Colts mini-camp physical); RB Ed Simmons retired; signed OT Karl Baldschwiiler and S Tommy Sims; TE Keith Lester, WR Jason Stargel and RB Kent Hagood left camp.

Cowboys—Re-signed veteran free agent DT Don Smerek and option-year LB Steve DeOssie; veteran LB Jeff Rohrer left camp; draft choice C Joe Orsoni (8th) retired; released failed physical DT Dennis Barron, LBs Keith Coleman, Michael Kee, Bob LeBlanc and Larry Smith and WR Leland Melvin; released P Steve Kidd, Ks William Kagey and Ron Keller, TE Rich Borreson, RB Antonio Rice, CB DeJuan Robinson, S Eric Cofer, S Jeff Noblin, WRs Herbert Johnson and Carl Aikens, DBs Bruce Livingston, Lorenzo Lynch and Bruce McCray, OT Marty Peterson, G Scott Urch and QBs John Shaffer and Craig Walter; OT Eric Moran and WR Andrew Mott left camp.

Dolphins—Re-signed following veteran free agent S Bud Brown (2), LB Mark Brown, CB Don McNeal and C Larry Lee; signed draft choice LB Rick Graf (2nd, 8); placed C Elton Slaton on injured reserve; released G Steve Clark (failed physical), NT

Mike Charles, LBs Enrico Corsetti and Laz Chavez, WRs Alvin Blount, Darryl Wise and Arthur Williams, RBs Brian Nuffer and Jim Browne, G Ken Smith and QB Mark Casale; LB Chris Guth left camp.

Eagles—Signed S Russell Gary (Eagles '86); released TE Byron Darby and K David Croteau.

Falcons—Re-signed following veteran free agent QB David Archer, RB Cliff Austin, K Ali Haj-Sheikh and DBs Wendell Cason and Jimmy Turner; signed following draft choices: RB Kenny Flowers (2nd, 5), LB Curtis Taliaferro (8th, 6) and CB Elbert Shelley (11th, 1); signed LB Jim Laughlin (Rams '86) and DE Joe Stepanek (Dolphins camp '86); released WR Terrance Roulhac, S Jerome Norris, S Wayne Ziegler, DE Calvin Wallace and OL Howard Hood, Eric Weigand and Greg Quick; WR Bobby Riley left camp.

49ers—RB Derrick Harmon retired; released LB Harvey Allen and WR Scot Maynard.

Giants—Re-signed following veteran free agent NTs Jim Burt and Jerome Sully, RBs Tony Galbreath and Lee Rouson, QBs Jeff Rutledge and Jeff Hostetler and G David Jordan; signed following draft choices: WRs Mark Ingram (1st, 4), Stephen Baker (3rd) and Odessa Turner (4th), S Adrian White (2nd), Gs Paul O'Connor (5th) and Stan Parker (9th), RB Tim Richardson (8th), OT Doug Riesenber (8th), LB Chuck Faucette (10th) and DT Bill Berthelsen (12th).

Jets—Re-signed option-year QB Ken O'Brien (7); re-signed following veteran free agent: CB Carl Howard, OT Reggie McElroy and CB Jerry Holmes; placed DE Mike Kingston on injured reserve; released LB Matt Bachman, C Greg Jensen, WRs Joe Gasquillo, Kirk Burrett and Jimmy Norris, RBs Anthony Corley and Tim Newman, S Ken Danforth, DEs Tony Sagnella and James Scott, Gs Mike Ester, Craig Vitum and Jim McCullough and OT Scott Saylor.

Lions—Re-signed following veteran free agent: CBs Duase Galloway and Bruce McNorton and LBs Mike Cofer, Shelton Robinson and James Barrell; withdrew qualifying offer from veteran free agent DB John Bostic; awarded G Dan Morgan on waivers from Broncos; signed OL Bob Snyder (Seahawks '86), DEs Charles Benson (Colts camp '86) and Fred Robinson (Dolphins '86), K Jamie Lovett (Buccaneers camp '84), TE Eric Bailey (Giants camp '86), DT Mark Catano (recently released by Colts) and WRs Bret Welchmann and Leland Melvin (recently failed Cowboys physical); draft choice TE Brian Svertling (11th) and TE Bret Pearson left camp.

Oilers—Re-signed following veteran free agent DE Jesse Baker, NT Mike Golic, S Keith Bostic, C Jim Romano and LB/DE Tom Briel; signed following draft choices: LBs Walter Johnson (2nd, 3), Mark Dusbabek (4th), AJ Smith (8th) and Toby Caston (8th), RB Spencer Tillman (3th), DT Robert Banks (7th), WRs Michel James (8th) and Curtis Duncan (10th) and G John Davis (11th); veteran C Jim Romano left camp; released RBs Butch Woolfolk and Marcus Bonner and LB Steve Manklow (failed physical); G Mike Kelley and WR Rob McCrary left camp; OT Kevin Meath did not report.

Packers—Re-signed veteran free agent CB Mark Lee; signed following draft choices: LB Scott Stephen (3rd, 5), WR Frankie Neal (3rd, 8), P Bill Smith (7th, 5), G Gregg Harris (9th, 4) and WR Pat Scott (11th, 5); signed C Vince Rafferty (Packers camp '86); released LB Randy Cook (failed physical), DB Robert Sowell and C Terry Sappalhammer; C W.C. Nix left camp.

Patriots—Re-signed following veteran free agent: RB Craig James, QB Tom Ramsey, CB Ernest Gibson, G Paul Fairchild, FB Mose Tatum and TE Lin Dawson; signed following draft choices: FB Bob Perryman (3rd) and WR Gene Taylor (8th); traded OL Darryl Haley to Buccaneers for future draft pick; signed C Pete Brock, TE Willie Scott and DT Dennis Owens (qualifying offers recently withdrawn by Patriots); released NT Kevin Holley and QB Mike Whitaker (failed physical); released NT Russell Stewart and WR Bryan Mitchell.

Raiders—Re-signed following veteran free agent: OT Bruce Davis, DE Greg Townsend and QB Jim Plunkett; signed draft choice OT John Clay (1st, 8); released DT Elois Grooms, QB Bruce Mathison, LB Tony Caldwell, K Scott Livingston and S Ron Foster.

Rams—Re-signed following veteran free agent: WR Henry Ellard, TE Tony Hunter and K Mike Lanford (3); veteran CB LeRoy Irvin (6) reported; signed following draft choices: DE Donald Evans (2nd, 14) and LB David Smith (10th, 9).

Redskins—Re-signed following veteran free agent: OT Joe Jacoby, LB Rich Milot, C Jeff Bostic, CB Barry Wilburn, S Ken Coffey and P Steve Cox; withdrew qualifying offer from veteran free agent LB Calvin Daniels; released RB Otha Armstrong and DL Tommy Parker.

Saints—Re-signed following veteran free agent: QB David Wilson, LBs Rickey Jackson, Alvin Toles, Joe Kohlbrand and Jack Del Rio, C Joel Hillenberg, G Brad Edelman, DE Jim Wilks, OT Stan Brock, DB Brett Maxie and S Frank Watelet; signed draft choice G Steve Trapilo (4th, 2); released FB Bobby Fowler and LB Darin Schubeck (failed physical) and TE Tony Shelman.

Seahawks—Re-signed following veteran free agent: G Jon Borchardt, RB Eric Lane and NT Joe Nash.

Seawolves—Re-signed following option-year player: LB Dennis Winston and TE Preston Gotthard; released TE Glenn McCombs and KR Errol Tucker (failed physical); released WRs Eric Anderson, Moses Ford and Vernon Stewart; NT Mike Russo and LBs Jerry Kimmel and Rich Bommelmann left camp.

Vikings—Re-signed following veteran free agent: K Chuck Nelson and CB Willie Teal; signed following draft choices: NT Henry Thomas (3rd), DB Reggie Rutland (4th), OT Bob Riley (8th) and QB Brent Pease (11th).

Hockey

Braves—Re-signed free-agent right wing Lyndon Byers; signed defenseman Glen Wesley from Portland (Boston's first-round draft choice in 1987).

Canucks—Signed defenseman Ian Kidd from the University of North Dakota as a free agent.

Flames—Signed free-agent right wing Rich Chermontz (no compensation going to Devils).

Maple Leafs—Re-signed free-agent goaltender Alan Bester.

Oilers—Re-signed free-agent right wing Jarl Kurri, left wing Esa Tikkanen and defenseman Kevin Lowe.

Rangers—Re-signed free-agent center Ron Duguay.

Sabres—Signed center Pierre Turgeon from Graby (Buffalo's first-round draft choice in 1987).

Whalers—Announced retirement of right wing Pat Hughes; signed center Roger Kortko and left wing Tom Martin as free agents with no compensation going to Islanders or Jets.