

The reason Paul Derringer won't be a holdout next spring is that the Reds boosted his 1939 contract figures so high—and tossed him a bonus check for last year to boot—that he rushed right up there and got on the dotted line... Tommy Farr's fight career will be just about washed up in the U. S. A. if he finishes on the short end against Lou Nova Friday... The big chains ought to catch Harry Ginsburg's football broadcasting on New Britain High's games... He's been doing it four years now, and the folks up that way say he's as good as any of 'em... Baseball men are pouring into this village on every train for the big league meetings.

The incoming mail contains a vote for Joe Giaccone, Bogalusa, La., half-back, who only covered 426 yards in six touchdown gallops—from 44 to 94 yards each... There'll be both mutuel and handbook betting at Havana's Oriental park for the racing meet next month—which should satisfy everybody... The boys coming back nominate Farmer Seale of the Selma (Ala.) Times Journal as the youngest sports editor at the New Orleans baseball meeting... He's 21... How about those Logan, (Ia.), High footballers—they only won 31 and tied one in their last 32 starts since 1935... College coaches might look over Lee Fitch, the sparkplug of the outfit.

COL. BRADLEY PASSES

QUIET 79TH BIRTHDAY

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 12 (AP).—There was no fanfare at the Idle Hour farm today as Col. E. R. Bradley, one of the nation's leading turfmen, entered his 80th year.

Colonel Bradley, whose green and white colors have been carried to victory in the Kentucky Derby four times, observed his 79th birthday quietly with his sister, Mrs. Catherine Bailey of Philadelphia, his guest here.

The Kentucky horseman, who has been at his farm here for two weeks, plans to remain in Lexington until after Christmas before going to Palm Beach, Fla., for the remainder of the winter.