

AMERICAN SPORT: *A HISTORICAL EXAMINATION*

Session 10:
Black Athletes, Part 2

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1960-1964

CRM Hits Full Stride
America's Camelot
The Cold War Heats Up



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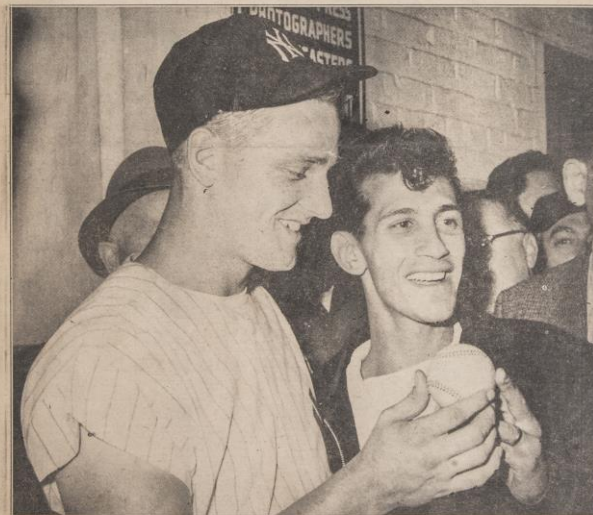
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Vol. 43, No. 85 (Copyright 1961 World Publishing Co., Inc.) New York 17, N.Y., Monday, October 2, 1961* WEATHER: Cloudy, unseasonably cool.

MARIS RAISES THE MARK TO 61



Clutch Play for Both.

Sal Durante, 19, presents Roger Maris with ball he laced 560 feet for his 61st homer of the year at Yankee Stadium yesterday. Maris is first man to top Ruth's 60 mark (though in a longer season). For Sal, the catch means \$5,000 prize money offered to fan who caught 61st homer and returned it to Reg. Stories on pages 3 and 52; other pictures in centerfold and back page.





BASS – NOT THE TRIUMPH BUT THE STRUGGLE

CONCEPTS, TERMS, AND THEMES

- Cold War
- Boycott
- Harry Edwards
- Olympic Project for Human Rights

BASS – *NOT THE TRIUMPH BUT THE STRUGGLE*

CORE QUESTIONS

What is Bass trying to say by using Tiger Woods in the *Introduction*?

What are some examples of sport and the civil rights movement colliding in the 1940s and 1950s provided by Bass?

NYU, 1940

1956, Olympic Boycott

1960 and 1964, Potential Olympic Boycotts

In what ways did the Cold War restrict the political expression of black athletes? In what ways did black athletes find the Cold War useful?

What are examples provided of former American athletes commenting about the threatened Olympic boycott in 1968?

What was the fate of the threatened boycott? What was its impact?



“TWO BLACK POWER ADVOCATES OUSTED FROM OLYMPICS”
NEW YORK TIMES

GOUDSOUZIAN – *FROM LEW ALCINDOR TO KAREEM ABDUL-JABBAR*

CONCEPTS, TERMS, AND THEMES

- Platform
- Nation of Islam

GOUDSOUZIAN – FROM LEW ALCINDOR TO KAREEM ABDUL-JABBAR CORE QUESTIONS

- Why do we yearn to know/understand/digest high-profile athletes?
- According to Kareem (based on 1970 interview, see p. 438), how did the CRM and BPM place different expectations and present different challenges to black athletes?
- In what ways did Kareem respond to and participate in the late-1960s “revolt of the black athlete”?
- What do you believe the author wants us to take away from this depiction of Kareem? What larger truths can we glean from the history of one person?
- How and why did Wilt Chamberlain’s reputation change during the early 1970s?



JACKIE ROBINSON'S LETTERS TO U.S. PRESIDENTS

READINGS FOR NEXT CLASS

Wednesday, July 10, 2019 – Gender and Sexuality in Sport, Part I

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PRIMARY SOURCE FOR NEXT CLASS

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Jason Collins retirement article “I’m Out”