

LEROY 'SATCHEL' PAIGE

with LEFTY GOMEZ

SATCHEL PAIGE, one of the fastest pitchers that ever lived, reached his peak in the mid-thirties.

He's a native of Mobile, Alabama, whose earnings were slim and reached the \$300-a-month bracket, but not without the usual heartbreaking set-backs that pursued the negro players. He soon rose to the \$7,000-a-month bracket, and though age was creeping up on him he finally was able to realize an ambition of his childhood and bought his own plane—and spends hours of his spare time in getting all the pleasures he derives from flying.

His pitching record remains high. In 33 innings pitched he allowed 27 hits, 6 base on balls and 30 strike-outs in six games. He is considered by sports experts as one of the greatest ball players and, like Joe Louis, is a credit to the race he represents and a model for clean sportsmanship.