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In the 1930's, Monroe, Louisiana, was a town of twenty-six thousand in the northeastern corner of the state, an area described by the New Orleans Item as the "lynch law center of Louisiana." race relations were bad, and the Depression was pitiless for most, especially for the working class-a great many of whom had no work at all or seasonal work at best. Yet for a few years in the early 1930's, this unlikely spot was home to the Monarchs, a national-caliber Negro League baseball team. Crowds of black and white fans eagerly filled their segregated grandstand seats to see

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