

## Assault Triple Crown Winner of 1946



My dad attended college in Kingsville, Texas. When my mom (his fiancée at the time) came to visit one weekend in 1949, they went to the [King Ranch](#) to see [Assault](#). The veterinarian who took care of him knew my father and invited them out.

So my folks (as an audience of two) got to watch them exercise and groom Assault. My mom liked to tell how she fed him an apple.



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## Assault Wins Belmont to Become 7th Triple King

**Natchez Places as Cable Comes Home 3rd; Boswell 5th**

New York, June 1.—(AP)—The clubfoot comet from the wide open spaces—lanky, sizzling Assault—became the seventh triple-crown king of the turf today by running away with the Belmont stakes in his greatest job of galloping.

Roared to the finish by a chilled crowd of 43,000 at Belmont, the chocolate champ with the deformed foot came from far back to strike his Texas terror in the stretch and waltz to the wire by three lengths over Natchez in a show of running power that made his Kentucky Derby and Preakness prancing look like ampie cakewalks.

Going his daddy, Bold Venture, one better—the "old man" only won the Derby and Preakness and didn't show up for the Belmont; back there in '36—Assault was all sime and laughing at the wire, Natchez led the others home, a length and a half in front of Cable, from the barn of Mrs. Akasi Wickfield, Palm Beach, Fla., another head in front of William de Toit's Hambleton. In fifth place, Hambleton.

**CLUBFOOT COMET** — Assault, the Texas-bred Chocolate Champ who Saturday added the Belmont to Kentucky Derby and Preakness victories to emerge the seventh triple winner in the history of American turfdom, looks more like the late Equipoise (right) than his sire, Bold Venture. The three-year-old king is out of Iqum, a daughter of the famous Chocolate Soldier.

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