

# "This One I've Got To Win" -- Sugar Ray Robinson

## Four From CIAA Rank In Running

DURHAM—Four CIAA schools are among the nation's top colleges in indoor track competition for 1956 according to the indoor rankings published in the March edition of Track and Field News, a magazine that reports worldwide coverage of track and field events.

The CIAA colleges represented in the indoor rankings are North Carolina College, Virginia State, Morgan State and Winston-Salem Teachers College.

Leading the list of CIAA hurdlers is NCC's Olympic world medal winner in the 110 Meter High Hurdles, Lee Calhoun. The lanky NCC hurdling star finished his way to victory in six of the nation's major indoor track meets of the past season and set two new records in the Boston Knights of Columbus and Evening Star Meets and equaled the approved world record in the 60 yard high hurdles in the New York A.C.

Mill Campbell of the U. S. Navy and an Olympic Decathlon Champion placed second behind Calhoun in the national ratings of high hurdlers.

Elias Gilbert of Winston-Salem Teachers College was ranked fifth among the nation's top hurdlers. The Ram's number one hurdler trailed Hayes Jones of Eastern Michigan and Charles Pratt of the New York Pioneer Club.

Morgan State's George Dennis was ranked second in the High Jump behind Phil Reavis of Villanova. The Morgan high jumper's height of the season was recorded in the New York K. of C. meet in which he soared 6' 9 1/4" for first place.

Villanova's star, Reavis, recorded his best jump, 6' 9 3/4" in the NYAC.

Another Morgan "jumping jack", Bob Barksdale, was ranked fifth behind Villanova's Charles Stead, third, and UCTC's Floyd Smith who placed fourth.

## Braves And Yankees To Win Pennants

NEW YORK — (ANP) — The Associated Press last week went out on the limb and picked the Milwaukee Braves over the Brooklyn Dodgers to win the National League pennant in 1957. The AP also predicted that the New York Yankees will breeze to another pennant in the American League.

Writing from New York, Jack Hand, AP sports writer, said he expected another tight race in the National League but predicted the Braves will nose out the Dodgers.



SPIDER WEBB, left, throws a flurry of punches at Randy Sandy as they battle near the ropes during the last round of their 10-round bout in the Chicago Stadium, April 17. Webb won a unanimous decision, his 20th straight victory. (UNITED PRESS PHOTO).

## Russell "Plays It Cool" As Celts Win Pro Cage Title; Sets Rebound Record

BOSTON (ANP) — Former Olympian Bill Russell was the coolest player in the Boston Celtics dressing room last week after the team won its first National Basketball association championship by nailing out the stubborn St. Louis Hawks, 123-122, in double-overtime play.

While bedlam broke loose among the players, Russell kept a pre-game promise and sat quietly while Coach Red Auerbach shaved off his much-cherished goatee. It was worth losing it, said Russell, who realized his ambition of playing for a championship pro team.

It was Bill's third stint with a championship squad. He led the San Francisco (University) Dons to two straight collegiate title and last fall paced the U. S. basketball team to the title. Russell summed it all up this way: "Yeah, it always feels good to play for a champion. I'll tell you."

In the game with the Hawks — the seventh and deciding contest in a dramatic seesaw

series — Russell played a great game. Beside netting 19 points, the second highest score on the Celtics team, he rebounded brilliantly, snaring 32 to the Hawks' Bob Pettit, his nearest rival. The performance enabled Russell to boast his playoff record to 244 rebounds in 19 games. The previous record was held by George Mikan of the Minneapolis Lakers, who had 207 in 12 games in 1952.

Russell's all-around play also figured in the deciding moments of play. With Tommy Heinsohn fouling out as the second overtime got underway, Russell came in with a key play. With the Celtics leading by a lone point, 122-121, the 6-10 Russell blocked a shot by Jack Coleman and the ball fell into the reach of teammate Bob Cousy, who passed it off to Frank Ramsey for a basket. A free throw provided the additional marker.

## At The Ringside

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### LATEST RING RATINGS

Both the "Ring" magazine and National Boxing Association released ring ratings during the past week, but this column selected the "Ring" rating for publication because they deal with the latest changes in the fistie picture. The "Ring" also gives a fairer evaluation of the fighters on the basis of their performances during the past month.

In one respect, however, both bodies were in accord. Both advanced Ellsworth "Spider" Webb in the ratings, and the "Ring" tabbed him the "Fighter of the Month." Webb, a clever counter-punching middleweight from Chicago, has long been regarded by boxing experts as the coming champion of the division. There is talk of title fight for him with the winner of the Gene Fullmer-Sugar Ray Robinson championship en-

core slated for Chicago May 1.

The most noticeable change in the demotion of aged Archie Moore the heavyweight situation concerns from fourth to fifth among the top contenders. In the light-heavy class, however, Moore is still tops, with final determination of his ring status awaiting the outcome of his coming title tussle with Tony Anthony of New York. Moore has said he will retire from the ring following the title match. However, insiders feel the ring-hardy veteran may be persuaded to try for one more defense, should he defeat Anthony. The "Ring" and NBA rated Chuck Spiser, recent victim of Anthony, as the top-ranking contender, but both ratings went to press before the Spiser-Anthony match was decided.

There are little changes in the other six divisions. The ratings follow:

**HEAVYWEIGHTS:** Champion: Floyd Patterson, Contenders: 1. Tommy Jackson, Far Rockaway, N. Y.; 2. Eddie Machen, Redding, Calif.; 3. Harold Carter, Linden, N. J.; 4. W. Pastrano, New Orleans; 5. Archie Moore, San Diego, Calif.; 6. Harold Johnson, Philadelphia; 7. Bob Satterfield, Chicago; 8. Zora Folley, Chandler, Ariz.; 9. Ingemar Johnansson, Sweden; 10. Nino Valdes, Cuba.

**LIGHT-HEAVIES:** Champion: Archie Moore, Contenders: 1. Chuck Spiser, Lansing, Mich.; 2. Yolande Pompey, Trinidad; 3. Tony Anthony, New York; 4. Gerhard Hecht of Germany; 5. Hans Smetz, Germany; 6. Dogomar Martinez, Uruguay; 7. Randy Turpin, England; 8. Charlie Colin, France; 9. Willie Hoepfner, Germany; 10. Clarence Hinant, Washington, D. C.

**MIDDLEWEIGHTS:** Champion: Gene Fullmer, West Jordan, Utah; 1. Ray Robinson, New York; 3. Ellsworth "Spider" Webb, Chicago; 4. Rory Calhoun, White Plains, N. Y.; 5. Ralph Jones, Yonkers, N. Y.; 6. Joey Giardello, Philadelphia; 7. Joey Giambra, Buffalo; 8. Charley Joseph, New Orleans; 9. Chebo Hernandez, Mexico; 10. Neal Rivers, Las Vegas, Nev.

**WELTERWEIGHTS:** Champion: Carmen Basilio, Syracuse, N. Y. Contenders: 1. Tony DeMarco, Boston; 2. Gaspar Ortega, Mexico; 3. Issie Logart, Cuba; 4. Virgil Akins, St. Louis; 5. Johnny Saxton, Brooklyn; 6. Vince Barrios, Puerto Rico; 7. Del Flanagan, St. Paul, Minn.; 8. Charley Smith, Los Angeles; Ramon Fuentes, Los Angeles; 10. Walter Byars, Roxbury, Mass.

**LIGHTWEIGHTS:** Champion: Joe Brown, New Orleans, Contenders: 1. Dullio Loi, Italy; 2. Kenny Lane, Muskegon, Mich.; 3. Larry Boardman, Marlboro, Conn.; 4. Orlando Zulueta, Cuba; 5. Willie Towel, South Africa; 6. Ralph Dupas, New Orleans; 7. Baby Vasquez, P. P. Rosi, New York; 9. Al Nevares, Chihuahua, Mexico; 10. Johnny Gersalves, Oakland, Calif.

**FEATHERWEIGHTS:** Champion: Tito Vacant, Contenders: 1. Cheril Hamis, France; 2. Hogan Bassey, Nigeria; 3. Miguel Berrios, Puerto Rico; 4. Carmelo Costa, Brooklyn; 5. Flash Florde, Philippines; 6. Ike Chestnut, New York; 7. Gil Cardini, San Francisco; 8. Paul Arthur, Texas; 9. Jean Sneyers, Belgium; 10. Ricardo Moreno, Mexico.

**BANTAMWEIGHTS:** Champion: Mario D'Agate, Italy, Contenders: 1. Ray Macias, Mexico; 2. Alphonse Halimi, France; 3. Leo Espinosa, Philippines; 4. Billy Pencoek, Los Angeles; 5. Germano, Mexico; 6. Dante Biol, France; 7. Robert Thardi, France; 8. Tanny Campo, Philippines; 9. Al Anuncion, Philippines; 10. Orlando Ryes, Cuba.

**FLYWEIGHTS:** Champion: Pascual Perez, Argentina, Contenders: 1. Young Martina, Spain; 2. Meno Diaz, Mexico; 3. Tommy Ur-

## Thrice-Crowned Ex-Champ Thinks He Can Beat Fullmer

GREENWOOD LAKE — (ANP) — With the statement that he has got to win over Fullmer, Sugar Ray Robinson, thrice-crowned ex-middleweight champion, last week gave a cue to the type of training he is undergoing here for his title showdown with Gene Fullmer in Chicago May 1.

Robinson said that he earnestly believes he can regain the title he lost to Fullmer last Jan. 2, and is preparing himself for the battle of his life. "I'm not even anticipating defeat," he said after a rugged workout.

Robinson wasn't underestimating Fullmer, a crowd-pleasing fighter who likes to swap punches. His statements reflected a grim determination to prove to the boxing world that he is still the master craftsman. He admits that at 27, "you're not getting any better," and he feels that he can make up for the age difference by rugged conditioning. He still has his punch, he maintains. "This one I've got to win," he has stated.

Describing Fullmer's style, Ro-

binson stated:

"Fullmer has an awkward style and that's how he beat me the last time. I've fought rougher and stronger men. He, let's say, Lamotta and better them. I never remember feeling any better." His last remark concerns the edge he says he has acquired since he set up camp here.

But as the deadline approached for him to break camp, he was scheduled to arrive in Chicago April 26. Robinson seemed grim and serious. The laughter and banter that came from him in the past and he appeared a more determined tankard.

Of one thing he is sure and he says it without restraint. "This time it will be different."

## FAMU 'Rattlers' Gavin Signs Pro Contract

TALLAHASSEE — Roman Gavin of the Florida A and M University Rattlers signed a professional football contract with the Pittsburgh Steelers of the National Football League for a reported \$5,000, according to Commissioner Bert Bell of the NFL.

Gavin is a fullback and is considered to be one of the best backs ever coached by Jake Gaither. He was out for a short while during the 1956 season with a broken thumb but managed to average 7.3 yards per carry. He scored two touchdowns and was a sure bet to get the necessary yardage for a first down.

Gavin is from Lake Wales and stands six feet tall and weighs 217. He is the third Rattler to sign a professional football contract for the 1957 season. Willie Galimore has signed with the Chicago Bears of the NFL and Al Frazier is the property of Toronto of the Canadian Football League.

ua, Philippines; 4. Dai Dower, Wales; 5. Pone Kinnepet, Thailand; 6. Arisilde Pozzali, Italy; 7. Danny Kid, Philippines; 8. Hitoshi Misako, Japan; 9. Robert Pelizzon, France; 10. German Pardo, Chile.

Termite nest in the ground and travel up to wood to feed. Control consists of blocking this connection. The spring pig crop is expected to be down 2 per cent from last spring.



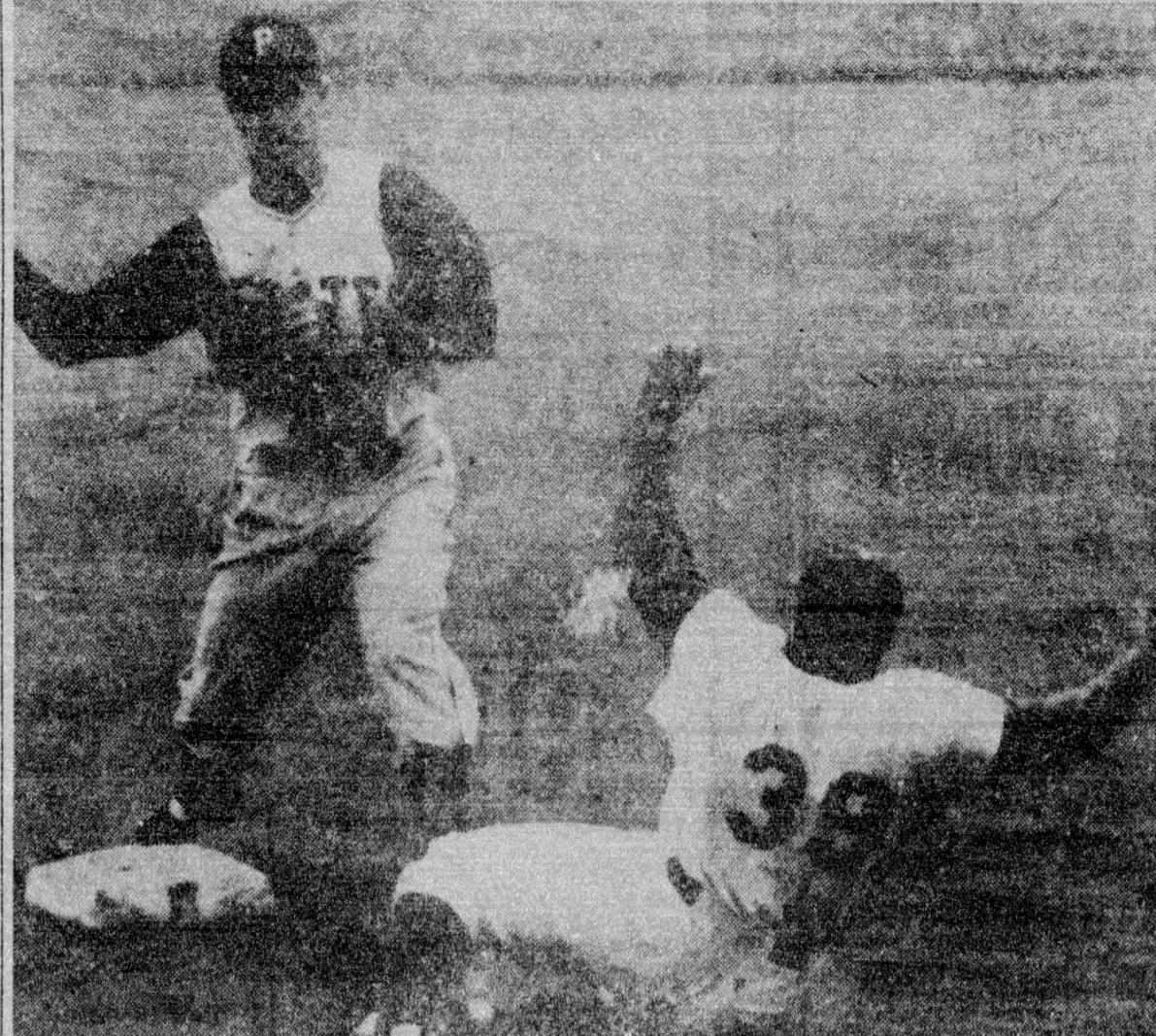
BEATING A BALL — Former welterweight and middleweight champion Sugar Ray Robinson plays some basketball at his Greenwood Lake training camp. Sugar is getting ready for a May 1 title bout with middleweight champ Gene Fullmer, who took the crown from him in their last match. (UNITED PRESS PHOTO).

## CIAA Coaches Walker And Hurt To NAIA Track Clinic In June

DURHAM (CIAA News Service) — Coaches Edward P. Hurt of Morgan State College, Baltimore, and Leroy T. Walker, North Carolina College, Durham, will be among consultants for a Track Clinic to

be held as part of the NAIA Track and Field Championships at San Diego, Calif., June 7 and 8.

Walker and Hurt are believed to be the first Negro coaches named as consultants in a meet-



MAILED AT THE KEYSTONE — Dodger catcher Roy Campanella (39) is forced at second by Pittsburgh second sacker Bill Mazerowski, who cocks his arm ready to fire on to first in a vain attempt to get a double play in the second inning of the game at Ebbets Field, April 18th. Campanella was forced when Pirate shortstop Dick Groat belted Don Zimmer's grounder and tossed to Mazerowski. The relay to first was too late. (United Press Photo).

## Aggie Nine Defeats Shaw, 8-4

GREENSBORO — The A & T College Aggies won their opening baseball engagement by defeating Shaw University, 8-4, last Saturday here at Memorial Stadium. The Aggies built up a huge 3-0 margin by scoring one, two, three and two runs in consecutive innings from the third through the sixth.

Shaw scored in the first as Keith Rustin, Aggie pitcher, encountered difficulty in finding the plate and walked in a run, one in the eighth and two in the ninth. Besides the first inning troubles, Rustin, veteran right-hander, steadied after leading the bases with one out in the second to retire three batters in a row. When he

run into the same troubles in the ninth with two-out, he was rescued by Frank Hamilton. Rustin was the winner and the losing pitcher was Clarence Crutchfield who was relieved in the sixth frame by George Williams. His battery mate was William Wilder. Samuel Scott was backstop for the Aggies.

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