

Nation's Leading Athletes Honored By B'Nai B'rith

B'Nai B'rith Honors Hank, Althea Others

NEW YORK — Hank Aaron, Althea Gibson, and Carmen Basilio, among others, were honored last week by the Sports Lodge of the B'Nai B'rith organization at its seventh annual awards dinner.

The athletes were honored for "high principles and achievements" in the field of sports.

Besides Aaron, star Milwaukee Braves outfielder, Miss Gibson, and Basilio, the world middleweight boxing champion, other honorees were Willie Haylock, leading American jockey, Gil McDougald of the New York Yankees, and Roy Delany, Villanova miler.

Aaron was the National League home run champion in 1951, and the hero of the World Series, which the Braves won.

Miss Gibson became the first Negro to win at Wimbledon in the Forest Hills National tennis tournament here.



TOP ATHLETES HONORED — The Sports Lodge of B'Nai B'rith, at its 7th Annual Awards Dinner at the Hotel Roosevelt, New York, recently honored several outstanding athletes for "high principle and achievement in sports in 1951." Shown holding (center) award trays are (seated) Tennis Queen Althea Gibson and baseball player Gil McDougald. Standing behind them, left to right, are Hank Aaron, jockey Willie Haylock, middleweight champ Carmen Basilio, and track star Ron Delany. (UNITED PRESS PHOTO.)

Boyd, Mims Fight Ten Round Draw

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — Benny Boyd of Chicago and Holt Mims of Washington, D. C. middleweights, battled to a 10-round draw in a boxing bout here last Wednesday night.

Boyd, the 2-1-3 favorite, had to stare off a rally by the veteran Mims in the last round. Mims built up a commanding lead in the early rounds.

Boyd is in the midst of a comeback following knockout losses to Joey Giardello and Rory Calhoun recently.

Sugar Ray Overshadows Basilio At Chicago Sign

CHICAGO — (AP) — The Black Hawk Hotel was a busy, bustling place last Thursday afternoon, and it was mostly because of a man called Sugar Ray Robinson.

The five-time welterweight and middleweight champion won the welterweight title once; the middleweight crown four times; and was the center of activities at the official signing of the heavily-demanded, multi-talked-about March 25th middleweight title rematch between Ray and Carmen Basilio, the man who took away Robinson's title on a split decision last September.

The signing itself was a dull routine matter. What interested spectators were the antics and chatter of the fighters, both of whom were in a rather jovial mood.

The pen work found Robinson, Basilio, Jim Norris, president of the Sponsoring International Boxing Club, and Tomman Gibson, Jr., in a juddle. But this routine matter was dispensed with in rather short time, and sports writers eagerly turned their attention to the fighters themselves.

What the writers were interested in was the reaction of the principals, particularly the deeper, tin-tongued Sugar Ray Robinson.

Aggies' 63-54 Win Over WSTC Gives A & T A 9-2 Season Record

GREENSBORO — The A and T College Aggies whipped Winston-Salem State College, 63-54, in a thrilling basketball game played here last Monday night at the State Armory Gymnasium.

After Joe Howell, the Aggies' star, scored 25 points, the battle was over in the last 10 minutes of play as the Aggies led 54-48. Howell scored 15 points in the last 10 minutes of play, including a lay-up shot in the final seconds.

He scored 15 points in the last 10 minutes in the first round for a total of 24 for the game. This was his total for the 20 games to date, an even 24 point average per game. His 15-point effort was equally as good as he passed off many easy shots to his teammate, Herbert Over, who dropped in 23 points himself.

The Aggies played a fast-paced game, and the outstanding play of Howell, who scored 25 points, kept the team out front for most of the game.

A big difference between the two clubs was the outstanding rebound work of Charlie Harrison, A & T center, who swept off rebounds during the engagement.

My Neighbors



"It's about time someone wrote a 'grants-in-aid' plan of contractors!"

FSTC Hosts Drama Meet February 1

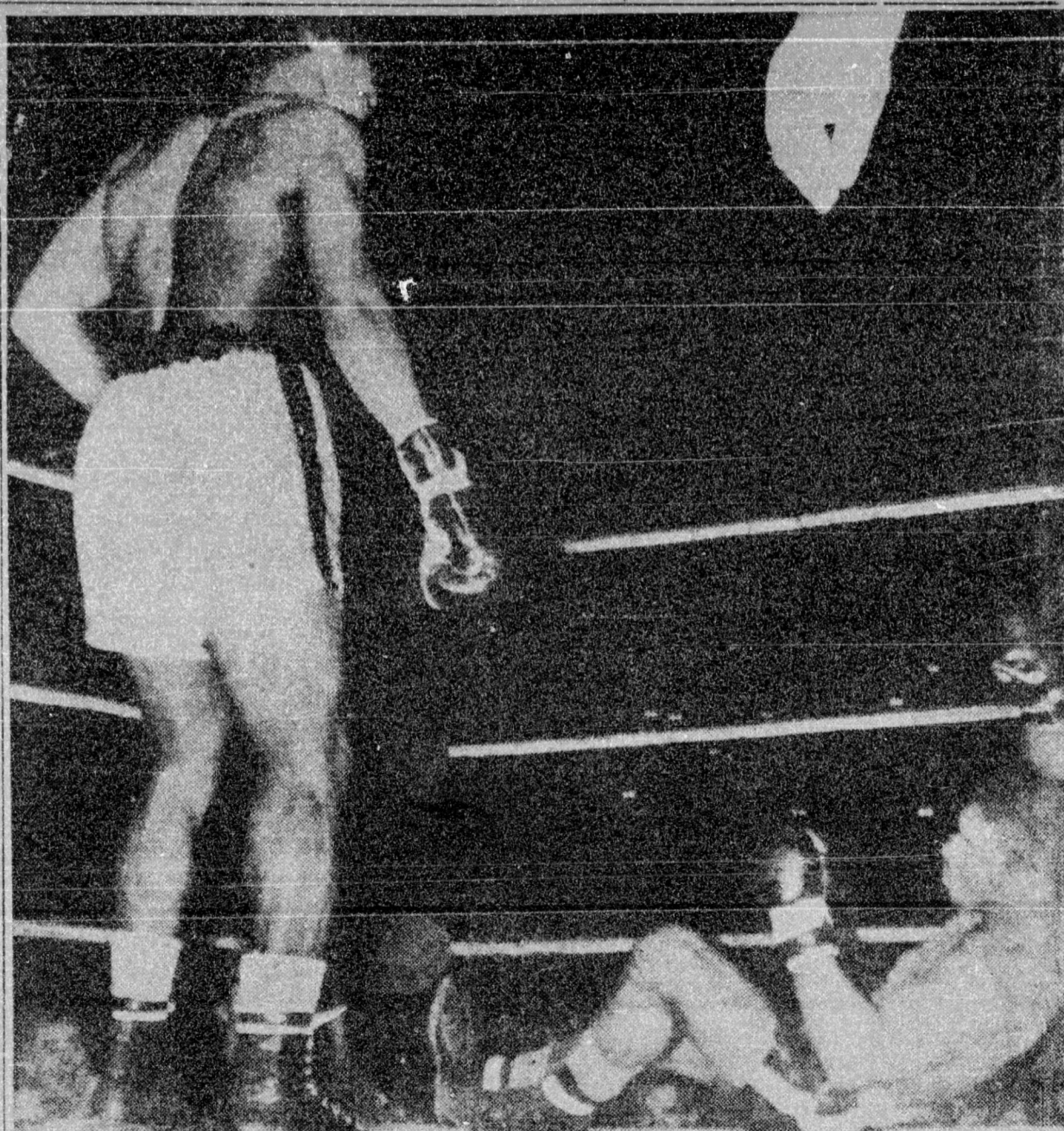
FAYETTEVILLE — The Twelfth Annual One-Day Drama Clinic sponsored by the North Carolina High School Drama Association will be held in the Seabrook Auditorium at the Fayetteville State Teachers College on Saturday, Feb. 1.

According to correspondence already received by Miss Lois P. Turner, Director of Dramatics at the host institution, approximately 600 high school students, directors of dramatics, and principals from many sections of the state will be in attendance.

The morning session will get underway with a discussion of movement on the stage while performing, stage setting, and stage properties. Following the discussion, demonstrations will go forward.

The afternoon session will be given over to the presentation of two one-act plays—a comedy and a serious play brought by the E. E. Smith High School in Fayetteville, and by the P. S. Jones High School of Washington, N. C. The analysis of these productions will be given by the critic teachers.

By way of concluding the meeting, the Johnson C. Smith players from Charlotte, will stage at the evening session a three-act play, "Yes, My Darling Daughter," staged by Mrs. E. M. Baylor.



UNDERDOG WEBB KO'S CALHOUN—Ellsworth (Spider) Webb, of Chicago, stands over Rory Calhoun, of White Plains, New York after knocking him down and out in the fourth round of their non-title middleweight bout in San Francisco, California, January 20. Webb's win came as a surprise to fans who saw Calhoun knock him down twice in the first two rounds. Calhoun was favored to win the bout. (UNITED PRESS TELEPHOTO.)

"Spider" Webb KO's Calhoun; Bids For Title

SAN FRANCISCO, California — (AP) — Ellsworth (Spider) Webb, Chicago's chief hope for a world title, strengthened his bid for a shot at the middleweight title last week, when he surged from behind to knock out tough Rory Calhoun of White Plains, N. Y. in a bout at the Cow Palace here.

It was the first knockout suffered by Calhoun, who has lost only three fights in his pro career.

An 8 to 6 pro-fight underdog, Webb, ranked sixth among the contenders in middleweights. Webb came from the brink of near defeat to stop Calhoun. Down for nine counts in the first and second rounds, Webb felled Calhoun with a terrific right in the law in the fourth round, then finished him off with a flurry of punches.

The win, his second over Calhoun, is expected to strengthen Webb's bid for a title match with the winner of the Carmen Basilio-Sugar Ray Robinson bout March 25.

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Jake Gaither Comments On New Scoring System

TALLAHASSEE — "I would have been in favor of the change in the scoring system if it had come up in the American Football Coaches Association meeting in Philadelphia," said Coach Jake Gaither of the Florida A. and M. University Rattlers.

Gaither is a member of the Rules Committee of the American Football Coaches Association and had this to say when queried about the new extra point rule in college football:

"It is the best recommendation of Fritz Crisler. Crisler has been trying to get it in the rules for the past five or six years and there were so many games that were undecided by one point that the

group at Fort Lauderdale felt this—that anything we can do for the college game that will increase spectator interest would be a fine thing because through the eyes of the public, the professional game seems to be more attractive than the college game.

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Says Dons Have Another Fine Player In G. Brown

SAN FRANCISCO — (AP) — The University of San Francisco has missed the finals of the National Collegiate Athletic Association for four seasons in 1954-55 and 1955-56, it boasted one of the best basketball teams in the history of college competition.

That was the team of Bill Russell, the incomparable center who is now playing with the pro champion Boston Celtics; K. C. Jones and Harold Perry.

When they departed, it was thought that the Dons would be in for lean days. While San Francisco has reached the heights it did in Russell and company's last season, it hasn't been a doormat by any

means. One of the principal reasons the Dons have kept up winning ways—with the exception of a December slump in the 1956-57 season—is Gene Brown, who was a sophomore sub on SF's last national championship.

A big crop in the springs of 1958 is expected to result in an increase in hog slaughter next fall.

The average date for the last freeze in the spring is about April 7 and the first freeze in the fall comes about October 25.

Broiler production is expected to be up 5 per cent this year.

Pilots Of Top Heavyweights Ask NBA To Halt D'Amato

SAN FRANCISCO — (AP) — The managers of Eddie Machen and Zora Foley, the No. 1 and No. 2 heavyweight contenders, last week asked the National Boxing Association to recognize the winner of a scheduled 12-round bout between Machen and Foley here March 17 as heavyweight champion, because of the indifference to the match.

As a result, Sid Fleisher, Machen's pilot, and Bill Swift, manager of Foley, are asking the NBA to step in and settle the matter. Fleisher said:

"I think Gus (D'Amato) is using

Fans On West Coast Await Hank Aaron, Milwaukee Club

LOS ANGELES — (AP) — One of the truly great thrills awaiting Los Angeles baseball fans in the coming 1958 campaign will have to be put off all the way to June 6. On that Friday night the world Champion Milwaukee Braves will come to Southern California for the first time and the folks will get their first glimpse of one of the greatest young stars of all time—Hank Aaron, slugging outfielder.

Aaron celebrates his twenty-fourth birthday Feb. 5 but, already, he is being talked as a potential successor to Stan Musial of the

Cardinals, as one of the top batters. And so, over a 2-year period at a stage in life when many youngsters have never been in a major league game, the speedy, hard-hitting Negro lad, born in Mobile, Ala., has won Baseball's Triple Crown and established himself as the most dangerous batter

Chicago Bears Acquire Second Member Of The Touchdown Twins

CHICAGO — (AP) — The Chicago Bears have acquired the rights to what has been called the greatest and most potent one-two scoring punch in Negro grid circles and possibly one of the greatest since Glenn Davis and Felix "Doc" Blanchard romped for Army back in the forties.

Frazier and Willie Galimore were the All-American twins for the Florida A. and M. University Rattlers two seasons ago.

A recent announcement from the

Chicago Bears front office by George Halas, former great coach and now president of the Bear organization, stated that the Bears have signed Al Frazier to a contract for the 1958 season.

The amount of the contract was not disclosed pending approval by Bert Bell, commissioner of the National Football League.

The former Florida Rattler played right halfback while Galimore played left halfback from 1952-56. Together they formed a double-barrel cannon loaded with TNT.



GETTING SOME ADVICE — Middleweight champion Carmen Basilio, left, and ex-champ, Sugar Ray Robinson, right, are shown with former heavyweight champion Joe Louis getting a little advice after the two fighters signed formal contracts in Chicago last Thursday for their March 25 title bout to be held in the Chicago Stadium. Each will receive 30 per cent. (UNITED PRESS TELEPHOTO.)

Mrs. Willie Galimore Likes To Watch Husband Play Ball

TALLAHASSEE — It's hard for the wife of a professional football player to decide whether or not to watch her husband in competition for fear of his being injured, said Mrs. Willie Galimore, but it's quite a thrill to go.

The wife of the well known "Galloping Galimore", former FAMU grid star and now a rookie with the Chicago Bears, Mrs. Galimore, took in her first professional game where her husband was in action recently.

"I was really proud and happy," she said. Mrs. Galimore, the former Audrey Gaines, was at home here Christmas with her mother, Mrs. S. A. Abrams.

Staying away from a game can be very grating on a wife's nerves, Mrs. Galimore confided.

The first Sunday she was in Chicago the Bears met the Greenbay Packers. Galimore was hurt early in the game. Although she was watching the game on television

she was not aware that he had been injured.

"I became worried when I didn't see him play," Mrs. Galimore said. "I couldn't enjoy the game thinking that he might be injured." The Bears were upset in this their initial game and many writers speculated that if Willie hadn't been injured early in the contest the final results would have been different.

During the weekend that followed Mrs. Galimore decided to see each of the games that were played in Chicago from a special section along the 40 yard line reserved for players' wives. She watched the Bears in action on television when they were on the road.

Galimore was injured on two additional occasions—once in San Francisco and again in the last game of the season against the Detroit Lions.

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