



Demetrius "Oaktree" Edwards and Frank Williams, Secretary-Treasurer of Oaktree Enterprise, Inc. after signing a contract for PKA World Heavyweight Title Fight, Felt Forum, Madison Square Garden, New York City.

Elson's All Time Cage Team

By Elson Armstrong, Jr.

Last year this time, I rated what I considered to be the greatest collegiate football teams over the past twenty years. Well, this time out, I'll rate my all time collegiate basketball teams over the past 25 years. (Note, there will be some teams here that didn't win the NCAA title either because of probation or just plain bad luck, but that doesn't take away from their greatness.)

1. UCLA (1968) — This Bruin club was John Wooden's best and that alone tells you how great they were. If you don't believe me, just ask Houston and North Carolina, two great teams who were no match for the Bruins in the NCAA Finals.

2. UCLA (1971 & 1973) — For two years the "Walton Gang" were terrors on the hardwood and they won an NCAA all time record 88 straight games.

3. INDIANA (1976) — The Hoosiers completed a 32-0 season with only a minimum of close calls.

4. NORTH CAROLINA STATE (1973 & 1974) — The David Thompson-led Wolfpack would've probably won two straight National Titles if they hadn't spent one year on probation. Still they ended the UCLA reign and made college basketball interesting again.

5. NORTH CAROLINA (1972) — Dean Smith's best club won five tournaments

from Spain to Oregon and were denied a crack at UCLA in the '72 Title game by a bum call by an official in the semi-finals.

6. UCLA (1967) — Lew Alcindor's first team just walked to an unbeaten season.

7. INDIANA (1975) — If Scott May hadn't got injured in the regionals this club would've been NCAA Champs that year.

8. NORTH CAROLINA (1977) — This team finished second with three starters playing injured, just imagine if they'd been healthy!

9. NEVADA-LAS VEGAS (1977) — This club averaged over 108 points a game and they're probably the most exciting club to ever play the major college game.

Hazel Plummer Bowling Scores

The Hazel B. Plummer Bowling League scores for April 27:

Ladies high game: 201-Pauline Winston, 199-Flo Robertson, 192-Illa Hill.

Ladies high series: 549-Flo Robertson, 501-Nancy Pinckney, 491-Roslyn Leslie.

Men's high game: 218-Charles Parker, 218-June Winston, 215, 202-Cliff Parker.

Men's high series: 606-Cliff Parker, 587-Charles Parker, 541-Charles Horton.

Others: 205, 203-Charles Horton, 200-Robert Curtis, 537-June Winston, 522-Joe Garner, 516-Robert Curtis, 515-George Thorne, 515-Ronald Miller, 504-Doss Massenburg, 501-T-Bird Robertson, 501-Norman Johnson.

High Team Series: 2449, Odd Pins: High Team Game: 867, Rockets: Four-Game Winners: Lots of Luck Express, Jive Five; Split Conversions: Minnie Norris, 3-7.

Howard U. Netters Capture Meac Title

WASHINGTON, D.C.

— The Howard University tennis team captured the Mid-Eastern Athletic conference tennis championship by winning four of six singles and sweeping all three doubles matches. This was the first conference championship held since 1975.

Howard, led by captain George Martin, tallied 33 points, while South Carolina State finished second with 24. Martin was chosen the most outstanding performer in winning the number two singles over Eric Holland (SCS) 6-2, 6-0 and teaming with Edward Cruzat to capture the top doubles match. Cruzat won the top

singles match with an impressive 6-2, 6-1 victory over Fred Morgan of South Carolina State. Third-seeded Eric Johnson defeated Doug Henderson (FAMU) and sixth-seeded Greg Sims beat Pharrington Douglas (FAMU).

In other doubles competition, Kevin Proctor and Johnson teamed to win the number two flight, and Lloyd Eason and Sims combined to win the third flight.

"We did well," stated a jubilant Coach Eddie Davis. "Now we have to repeat. It was a good victory and it is going to help the rest of our season. It has given them the incentive to work harder."

Oaktree To Defend Heavyweight Title

Ayden's Demetrius "Oaktree" Edwards will defend his PKA World Heavyweight Title against Indianapolis' Ross Scott at the Felt Forum Madison Square Garden in New York City this Friday night. The fight will be televised on NBC's Sports World later in May.

"Oaktree" won the title from Ross Scott in a seventh round KO last August 12, the KO of Scott in Ottawa, Canada came after "Oaktree" had landed a powerful series of left jabs and right kicks. The fight ended when "Oaktree" connected with an overhand right that all but destroyed Scott. Edwards was a late replacement for Vancouver's Miro Michael, who broke his nose in training ten days before the scheduled fight.

Scott, who stands 6-2 and weighs 216 pounds, will outweigh Edwards by 21 pounds at fight time. The 5-9 Edwards should

be beefed up to around 195 pounds by fight night.

In preparation for this match, "Oaktree" has worked his way up to thirty rounds of shadow boxing and bagwork each day, eight miles of roadwork, and two hours of stomach and body work. Edwards' unusual training schedule is from 7-11 p.m. He says that night training helps with keeping his weight up.

"Oaktree" predicts that he will defeat Scott again and go on to take the PKA World Light Heavyweight Title early next fall. He also has his eyes on the Boxing Light Heavyweight crowns presently held by Matthew Saad Muhammad and Eddie Mustafa Muhammad. Edwards' goal is to be the first fighter to hold titles in Boxing and Karate simultaneously.

His ultimate goal is "a triple crown", boxing light heavyweight crown, Karate's heavyweight and light heavyweight crowns.

ACC Baseball Tourney A Capital Idea

By Elson Armstrong, Jr. When the ACC decided to go to a post season tournament in baseball back in 1975, I was one of the biggest skeptics. I thought, no way is this event going to make it!

As I've often had to do in the past, it seems I've got to eat my words.

This past week, I took in the 1981 ACC Baseball Tourney that was played on the University of North Carolina campus and I must say that the baseballers may soon rival their basketball cousins for post season excitement.

The weather through most of the event was ideal and the action was just super.

Clemson defeated Carolina for the championship on Sunday, 7-5, before a packed house. The game was not decided until the ninth inning which was indicative of the entire tournament.

There was only one true blow-out in four days of action (when UNC romped past Maryland 9-2).

Like the older, more established ACC Cage Tourney, the baseball classic was both praised and condemned by the participants. Maryland's head coach was quite irritated when his club, which finished third in the regular season, was ousted early (the tourney is round robin double elimination).

Clemson had nothing but good words for the

format because the Tigers constantly rose from the dead to take the title.

Duke and Carolina, who don't exactly love each other, put on a tremendous show when they met undefeated in tourney play. The Dukies dominated the game for seven and one-half innings as their colorful fans howled and yelled "Go to Hell, Carolina". Then in the bottom of the eighth, the Tar Heels erupted for six runs after two were out and won the bitter contest, 8-5. Duke showed real character by recovering from that defeat twenty minutes later to oust pre-tourney favorite N.C. State 11-7.

Duke finished the tourney with its finest team in twenty years.

Georgia Tech also delighted the fans with their ability to capitalize on the long ball. In one of the most humorous events, the Yellow Jackets were playing N.C. State and a State player hit a towering pop up in front of home plate. While three Georgia Tech players waited for each other to call for it, the ball landed harmlessly four feet in front of home plate. The State player running like greased lightning got a triple out of it.

Yes, I'll admit that I was wrong in saying that an ACC Baseball Tournament would never make it. Heck, I'm already looking forward to next year!



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