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Elijah "Liji" Jackson receives awards recently for outstanding and dedicated services rendered as a Labor Organizer.

Elijah Jackson Honored

Citizens Receive Awards

by Azzie Wagner
Staff Writer

More than 75 people gathered last Friday night at the Holiday Inn North to honor Elijah Jackson, pioneer labor organizer, upon his retirement at the first A. Philip Randolph Institute Testimonial and Recognition Day Banquet.

Jackson was presented awards for Outstanding and Dedicated Services Rendered as a Labor Organizer. The

awards were presented by John Newman, president of the Winston-Salem Central Labor Union, and Norman Hill, Executive Director of A. Philip Randolph Institute, on behalf of the Institute.

Avery Flynt, president of the local Chapter for two years, served as Master of Ceremonies. Following The Rev. Cedric Rodney's invocation and Mrs. Mazie Woodruff's welcoming remarks, the guest speaker, Dr. Jerry Drayton, told a spellbound audience:

"It is commendable as well as honorable that this evening we have assembled here to do justice to a deserving pioneer in the labor movement; and to give to a man flowers that are

as alive as he is. This way he can smell them and appreciate the beauty of them. We should give men their flowers now!"

Other awards were presented to the following people for services rendered in the community in conjunction with the A. Philip Randolph Institute and the Board of Elections: H.B. Goodson, Mrs. Lillie M. Carson, Mrs. Lottie Connor, John Newman, Mrs. Clara Tatum, and Mrs. Catherine Hines.

Family of Elijah Jackson attending were: wife, Mrs. Velma Jackson, son, Elijah Jackson, Jr.; Rev. and Mrs. Robert Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. James Adams, and Mrs. Elese Wells of Wilmington.

Former Fighters Plan To Promote Boxing

by Robert Eller
Staff Writer

A group of Winston-Salem boxers with more than 100 years of ring experience are working together to regenerate an interest in the sport here. In an interview earlier this week Whit Lowrey and Bobby Giles 2 former fighters who are spearheading the

program said they plan to take boxing all over the city to get people involved in the program.

The two ex-fighters said they have already started a boxing program with the aid of center director James Garner at the Reynolds Park Gym. About 30 boys ages 7-25 are presently enrolled in the program.

Lowrey, who has been boxing since he was nine years old says boxing will help kids in many ways. "It teaches self discipline, respect, and builds character. I know the reason I don't smoke or drink today is because I was a boxer."

Giles, who fought professionally, trained under Sandy Sadler, former world feather weight champion, and Austin Benjamin. He has won golden glove awards in feather weight, light weight, and welter weight competition. Giles says, boxing will take kids off the street and give them something to do. It took me off the street and made me a man."

Both men added that they are not looking for professional fighters. "We are not only going to teach and promote boxing but we want to act as friends, counselors, and tutors to the kids involved." Lowrey adds.

Giles pointed out that "the program unlike some other boxing programs in the city will encourage kids to participate in other activities such as basketball, football, chess etc., plus boxing will aid in any other sport."

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This little tot is definitely waiting for something. It's either that fat Thanksgiving turkey or perhaps Santa Claus.

Seminars to Be Held For Minority Businesses

The State Office of Minority Business Enterprise (OMBE), Opportunity Industrialization Center (OIC), the National Association of Accountants (NAA) and the Durham Business and Professional Chain (DB & PC) will sponsor an eight week business management seminar at the OIC office in Raleigh.

The Business Management Seminar will be conducted each Tuesday night at 7 p.m. beginning January 20, through March 9, 1976. Courses will be offered in

taxation as it relates to sole proprietor, partnership, corporations and the individual, recordkeeping, financial statements and a special session dealing with Business Development Organizations which can render the following free services to small businesses:

Accounting & Bookkeeping Services, loan packaging, management assistance, technical assistance, assistance to contractors, tax assistance, financial statements, marketing and 8 (a) certification.

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Black Colleges Get Grant From Sears

RALEIGH, N.C.: Grants totaling \$90,000 from The Sears-Roebuck Foundation will be distributed to 40 colleges and universities including Shaw University in Raleigh and five other institutions in the state.

The total grant was

presented in Atlanta by the Foundation on November 12 to The United Negro College Fund. Accepting the check for redistribution to member institutions was Christopher F. Edley of New York, executive director of UNCF.

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