

Patterson Not Taking Chances; Sets Warmup Fight

Champ Signs To Fight A British Pug

NEW YORK (ANP) — When Floyd Patterson stopped Roy Harris of Cut And Shoot, Tex., in his last heavyweight title defense last year, he complained of being rusty and said he needed more work being tagged with a right uppercut. In the fight, he hit the canvas after by Harris for what many observers contended was a knockdown. However, he got up and proceeded to bombard Harris with punches until the referee stopped the bout.

The bout apparently taught Patterson a lesson. He would see to it that he has at least one tuneup fight before defending against another top-ranking opponent.

Floyd has followed through with the plan. Recently he signed to fight 24-year-old Brian London of Britain in a tune-up bout in Las Vegas, Nev., April 27. The bout is designed to prepare Floyd for an anticipated career test when he fights Ragnar Johansson of Sweden in late June. However, in both bouts his title will be at stake.

Patterson and Cus D'Amato, his manager, believe the champion will have no trouble disposing of London, the fifth-ranked heavyweight contender.

Meantime, the champion will pick up a check for \$250,000 guaranteed him by promoter Cecil Rhodes, Jr. Out of the amount, Patterson will pay London \$75,000 to cover his purse and expenses.

Althea Gibson On E. Murrow Show Friday

NEW YORK (ANP) — Tennis champion Althea Gibson and comedian Milton Berle will be visited by Edward R. Murrow "Person to Person," Friday, April 3, (10:30-11:00 p. m., EST) on the CBS Television Network.

Miss Gibson, just back from a State Department-sponsored goodwill tour of Latin America, will be interviewed by Murrow during the second portion of the show. She will be visited in her New York apartment.

Althea, who started out playing paddle tennis on the sidewalks of Harlem, has won all the important tennis championships. Currently she is the Wimbledon and W. S. women's national single champion.

Fight Follows Football Game; 8 Sepians Held

PHILADELPHIA — (ANP) — Eight teenagers who allegedly attacked a group of white youths following a football game were arrested last Sunday, the day after the attack, and charged with assault and battery.

Thomas Maher, William O'Rourke, and Thomas Cropp, said the boys they identified, all Negroes, started the fight as they were walking back to a bus following a Chester-Farrell football game. Farrell won the game 14-0.

Maher, who was knocked down and kicked in the ribs, told police a group of Chester fans confronted him yelling, "hey, here come the Farrell boys. We want blood. Let's get them."

The attackers were rounded up at the scene. Others were taken from chartered buses after their arrival in Chester, Pa. They were returned to Philadelphia.

Miss Dandridge, Jack Denison To Wed June 30

HOLLYWOOD — (ANP) — Singer, actress Dorothy Dandridge revealed, Thursday that she and Jack Denison, Hollywood night club owner, will marry June 30. The place of the wedding has not been set.

Miss Dandridge, 34, was nominated for an Academy Award in 1954 for her portrayal of Carmen in the movie, "Carmen Jones." Denison recently opened his own night club on Sunset Strip in partnership with Sammy Davis, Jr.

Formerly married to Harold Nicholas of the Nicholas Brothers dancing team, Miss Dandridge has been divorced since 1951. Denison, 45, also is divorced. Denison met the beautiful singer when she was appearing at a hotel in Las Vegas four years ago.

Miss Dandridge announced her engagement on the eve of her departure for England where she will make a new picture "Secret of Danger" with Trevor Howard and Richard Widmark. She will remain in London and Denison will return to his home when she will return.



ST. JOHN'S WIN TOURNAMENT—Joe Lapechick, right, St. John's coach, holding the National Invitation Tournament award, hugs player Tony Jackson, whose performance on the court earned him the tourney's "Most Valuable Player" award. St. John's whipped Bradley, 76-71, in the tournament finals at Madison Square Garden in New York City recently. The team also won the NIT crown in 1943 and 1944. (UPI PHOTO)

Edw. Nesbitt Belies Rumor Football Players Are Dumb

GREENSBORO — A star fullback with the A&T College Aggies belies the old opinion that good college football players are almost always possessed of "strong backs but weak minds."

Edward Nesbitt, one of the best defensive backs the Aggies have had in recent years and who boasts a nifty ground gain average during his football career is one of those fine athletes who is helping to remove this stigma.

Aggie fans agree that this 185 pound youngster is a demon on the gridiron, just about as mean as they come. He blocks, tackles and runs the ball with devastating authority and those who know him well recognize him as a gentleman, both on and off the field. Few of them know that he is equally efficient in the classroom and laboratory.

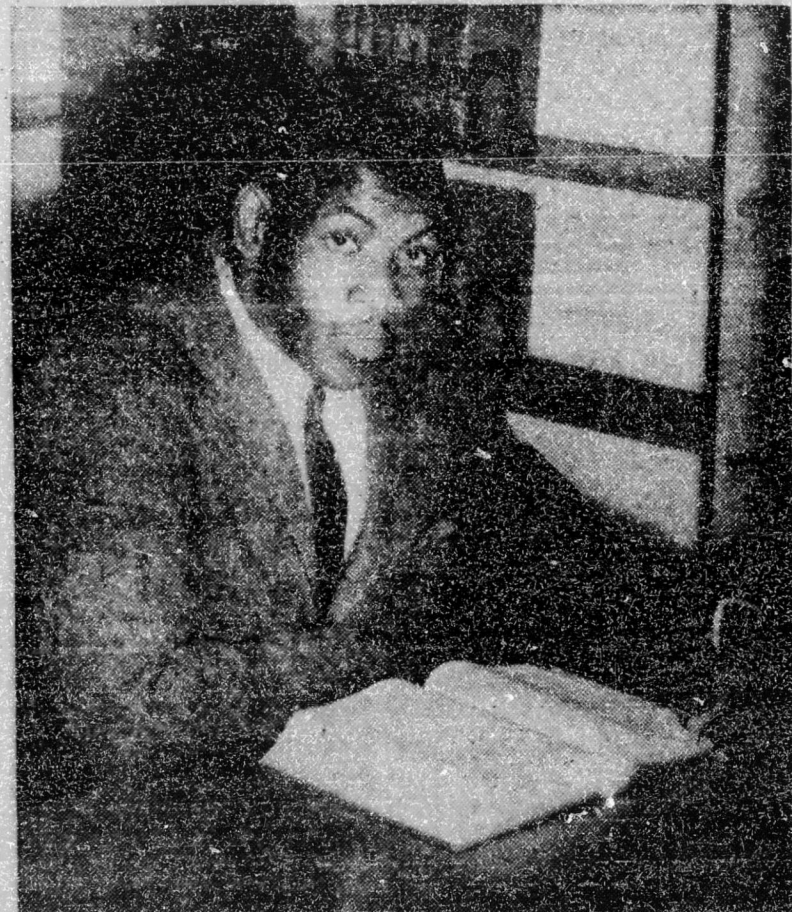
Nesbitt has earned honor roll listing in nine of the eleven quarters he has studied at A&T and in three of them he posted straight A averages. He will graduate this June, on schedule, among the top honor students in his class.

Because of his leadership qualities, Nesbitt was selected co-captain for practically all of the games he played in last fall. The Aggies do not elect a permanent captain for the season.

These same qualities were recognized by the students at the college when they elected him last spring as president of the student body. Despite his busy schedule the opinion is that he has done an outstanding job in that office.

He holds memberships in the Sigma Rho Sigma Honor Society (Social Science), Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, the Veteran's Association and is a candidate for membership in the Kappa Delta Pi National Honor Society.

He graduated from his hometown Howard High School in Georgetown, South Carolina in 1951, an honor student and the president of the Student Council. He saw four years of service with the U. S. Air Force, chiefly in Germany and entered A&T in the fall of 1955.



FOOTBALL STAR AND SCHOLAR—A demon on the football field, Edward Nesbitt, star fullback with the A&T College Aggies, is equally at home with good books. He studies in the college library.



N. C. HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OFFICIALS—New officers elected and installed at the recent annual meeting of the North Carolina High School Athletic Conference held recently at A&T College in Greensboro, include, from left to right: seated—W. M. Reinhardt, Goldsboro, financial secretary; J. H. Twitty, Cherryville, president; Dr. C. U. Deberry, Elizabethtown, tournament director and Dr. W. T. Armstrong, Rocky Mount, commissioner. Those on the back row are: C. A. Harris, Louisburg, vice president and members of the executive committee—T. E. Conway, Louisburg; J. W. Broadhurst, Jacksville; S. W. Davis, Hickory; W. L. Reid, Kannapolis and J. H. Carson, Morganton. Enoch T. Washington, Wilmington was re-elected treasurer.

United Golfers Association Holds Annual Meet At Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The United Golfers Association and almost fifty of its affiliated clubs met here last week to conduct its annual business and lay final plans for its 1959 national tournament to be played over the Langston Golf Course, August 24-28.

The national golf body accepted an invitation from the New Era Golf Club, Atlanta, Ga., to take its 1960 tournament and annual convention to

that city in 1960. In a special action, the UGA convention voted an honorary membership for life to Dr. H. M. Holmes of Atlanta for his outstanding service to golf.

During the three-day meeting the association will hear addresses by Joseph H. Cole, assistant director, District of Columbia Department of Recreation, and Layne Loeffler, S. G. Loeffler Company, operators of the District of Columbia public links.

Three golf clubs in the Washington area, Wake Robin, Royal and Arlington Divots, will cooperate with the UGA in promoting the August tournament. Sessions of the UGA convention were held at the Masonic Temple, the Lee House and in the offices of The Moss H. Kendrick Organization, public relations representatives of The Coca-Cola Company, which cooperates in the sponsorship of the annual tournament.

Russell, Baylor, Other Tan Stars Post Impressive Records In NBA

NEW YORK CITY (ANP) — Bill Russell broke two of his own records in the National Basketball Association season. Elgin Baylor turned in a phenomenal performance for a rookie. Four tan players, including Russell and Baylor, were among those who scored a 1,000 or more points in the campaign.

These highlights were revealed in the season-end statistics released last week by the league's information bureau.

RUSSELL OUTSTANDING

In rebound recoveries, Russell had 1,612 this year compared with his previous mark of 1,554. His other record was most rebounds per game, 23 for 1955-56 against 22 for 1957-58.

Russell, 6-10 Boston Celtics' pivotman, also turned in a great all-around performance. He scored 1,178 points in 70 games for a 16.7 average and had a field goal shooting percentage of 45.7, second in the NBA, with 456 shots in 997 attempts.

BAYLOR ESTABLISHES RECORD

Baylor finished second in individual scoring, with a total of 1,742 points in 70 games for a 24.9 average, a record for a freshman player. The brilliant Minneapolis Laker snared 1,050 rebounds for a 15-per-game average. He was leader on his team in assists with 187. He had a field goal shooting percentage of 40.8, clicking on 605 in 1,482 attempts from the floor.

The other tan players to exceed

in the coveted 1,000 mark in point-making were Woody Sauldsberry, rookie of the year last season, and Willie Naulls, a mainstay for the New York Knicks.

Sauldsberry tallied 1,112 points for the Philadelphia Warriors, averaging 15.4 a game, for second place in his team's individual scoring column. He was the Warriors' best rebounder with 826 recoveries in 72 contests and had a field goal percentage of 36.3 (501 out of 1,380).

Naulls, the Knicks' third highest scorer, played in 68 engagements to produce 1,068 points for a 15.7 average. He rebounded 725 times, best on the boards for the Knicks and hit with a 37.8 percentage from the field (405 out of 1,072).

Manager Asks Pompey To Quit Ring; Hints Moore Ruined Him

LONDON, England (ANP) — A hint that light-heavyweight champion Archie Moore may have ruined the career of Yolande Pompey

of Trinidad was given by Yolande's manager, who said he has advised his fighter to quit the ring.

Manager Jack Burns told the

press here that Pompey, one-time British Empire light-heavyweight champion, has been a changed man ever since he was knocked out by Moore in 1936. He tried to get him to quit some time ago, Burns added, but Yolande begged him for one more bout.

Recently, the muscular Pompey was counted out five seconds before the end of a scheduled 10-round bout with Chick Calderwood, Scottish light-heavyweight champion. Pompey was shaken up so badly that a physician from the British Boxing Board of Control refused to let his seconds move him for seven minutes. And it was a full 20 minutes before he was taken out of the ring.

Pompey is now in Paisley's Royal Alexandra infirmary.

GOOFIN' OFF BY "SKINK"

The Shaw University baseball team is loaded with newcomers. The 18-6 snickering that the Bears took from Delaware State signifies that Coach James E. Lyle is undergoing a rebuilding job.

A&T College won the CIAA football and basketball championships and its dollars to doughnuts that they will win the baseball championship—all in one year.

At one time, Morgan State dominated the major sports in the CIAA, then Virginia State, later on Maryland State, now A&T.

The baseball season for North Carolina high schools will swing wide open this weekend, with Coach Pete Williams' Little Blues slated to repeat as state champions. If Laurel Hill can shake off the crowd hatters and Roxboro can get top pitching out of "Bud" Thomas and William Smith, Raleigh may have to extend itself to reach the state finals.

The North Carolina Negro High School Athletic Association will sponsor, in May, a National Interscholastic tennis tournament in Durham. This meet will bring together representatives from all tennis-minded high schools in the country. The event is to be an annual affair. Congratulations to coach Carl Easterling and commissioner W. T. Armstrong, who have fought for years to keep tennis alive in the high schools of North Carolina.

Chester McAdoo, manager of the Mebane baseball team, says that his team is headed for a big year if he can keep his catcher, Donnell Morrison from "napping" so much during practice sessions. Last week Morrison sent word to the manager that he would report for practice after he finished his nap.

Rufus Hatten is owner Arthur Dove's selection for manager of his '59 edition of the Raleigh Tigers. Hatten is of broad baseball experience, having caught for the Indianapolis Clowns, Atlanta Black Crackers, and the Asheville Blues before coming to Raleigh to catch for the old Raleigh Tigers that went out of existence with the folding of the old Negro American Association.

Atkins High in Kinston was once a baseball powerhouse. Don't hear much from them anymore. Wonder what's happened? It's true that coach Caraway moved up to the principalship of one of the local high schools; but he didn't carry the baseball team with him. But for some reason when Caraway left the school, the baseball powerhouse left also.

Gastonia, Raleigh Asheville, Henderson, Atkins of Winston-Salem, Statesville and Warren County Training School play full schedules of football, baseball and basketball. There are a few others not mentioned above.

Grambling whipped Wiley and Prairie View in Baseball

For a while it looked as though President-Coach R. W. Jones and his riddled legion could stand aloof from the championship talk.

However, it took the "Coach" only one day to repair the damages and they seem ready to give the best of the loop a good argument for the conference championship trophy.

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Judge "Reserves" Decision On "Prophet" James Jones

NEWARK, New Jersey—(ANP)—Magistrate Harry Hazelwood reserved decision on "Prophet" James Jones here on Monday on the charge of "pretending to tell destiny."

Following the judge's decision, a petit jury was held on the steps of the Municipal Court Building, led by the Prophet, in the singing of "God Bless America," "The National Anthem," and a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Before leaving his followers the Prophet imparted a final "blessing" to all.

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GOSSIP of the MOVIE LOTS

HOLLYWOOD — Joe Louis' marriage to Atty. Margaret Jefferson — talk of the town. "Tarzan the Ape Man," being eagerly awaited, by both famous and atmosphere-seekers, to start at MGM, the 33rd "Tarzan" tale of the silent days of 1916.

Harry Belafonte makes successful bow in "The World, The Flesh, and The Devil" on original home lot, MGM. Billed tops over Inge Stevens, and Mel Ferrer.

"What do you know about history of Robert Charles, Stacker Lee, Vida Henry and other sepiac killers," asked certain producers last week after noting the overwhelming box-office success of Allied Artists' "Al Capone."

(Answer: "Have the data at my fingertips Charles who, in one lurid day," at bay, in New Orleans "killed" over a dozen policemen; Seged, Vida Henry led the riot of the 24th infantry, one that Houston, Tex., will never forget. Yep, have it all at my finger-tips but said fingertips must be well massaged with long green, to loosen 'em.")

And now the news, after a "Vanguard" flash introduction, in case you've lost my address. This is your favorite newshound, Harry Levette, 4266 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles. Would like the new address of song composer Ed Barron, former Popkin stars Ralph Cooper, and Mantan Moreland, L.Tanya Griffin, celebrated designer, and others, cherished in my memory book.

If you had been with us at Union Station in February, 1953, to meet quiet, bashful Joe Louis, arriving for his two-round kazo victory over Lee Ramage, Feb. 21, you would never have foreseen that by now he would be celebrating his third honeymoon. So retiring, he avoided social affairs, even after the fight, hit the hay at 9:30 and never spent a nickel, out of the 20 G's Julian Black and John Roxborough used to advance him for spending money.

Everybody knows that the lovely, personable well-educated Maria Trotter was his first wife; that cosmetic manufacturer Rose Morgan was his second, and all admirers of the Jefferson family hope this one to Atty. Margaret M. Jefferson will hold as the last. Maybe at 45, the impresses and sirens won't flock around so thickly.

Joe didn't do much in pictures; starred in "The Spirit of Youth" for Talisman, now Allied Artists; featured in "This Is The Army," for Warner Bros. about sums up his movie career, but he has always been a favorite with the movie colony, and played golf at Rivera Country club when other sepiacs were not welcomed. The new Mrs. Louis, 46, and formerly "Mrs. Malone," is a brilliant attorney, pretty, good dresser, and the sister of the famous circuit court judge Edmond Jefferson. They sprung a surprise on everyone by marrying at Winterhaven, across the river from Yuma, Ariz. Best wishes, from the O'Kolym.

PREVIEWS OF THE WEEK and other happenings "Westbound," served on the Warner Bros. lot and co-starring Randolph Scott, and Virginia Mayo.

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