

Sugar Wins In Three; Is Indefinite About The Future

Graziano Ruffles Champ Then Pays Big Penalty

BY LUX VIRGIL OVERBEA
CHICAGO (AP)—With a roaring crowd of 23,611 fans rattling at every approval, Ray (Sugar) Robinson blasted Rocky Graziano in the canvas in 15 of the third round last week to retain his middleweight championship of the world.

A sharp, speedy right, originally aimed for the body, then shot at the jaw blasted its target for Ray this giving him his 86th knockout in 131 fights. He has lost only two bouts in his pro career, and he has fought two draws.

The aging Robinson, now 31, was at his mental and physical best. He got up off the floor to win this bout.

When the bout opened it was obvious that both men were seeking early layovers. After feeling out Rocky with a light jab or two, Sugar, the boxer, began to slug. He landed a flurry of lefts, but missed what was to be a chilling right.

Graziano with his right cocked—a right that had kayeed 52 foes in the past—kept moving forward, leading and landing a few lefts of his own. After both men tied one another up, Sugar again started swinging. Several of his blows were wild.

Rocky landed a hard left, then took several counters by Robinson. As the round ended, Robinson landed several good blows in another flurry, but Rocky shook him up with a hard right. All the while Sugar kept lefts in his face.

The first round went to Robinson. On the official score judges Ed Klein and John Gray and Referee Tommy Gilmore scored it 6-4 for the champion.

As the second round opened Robinson again felt out the champion with a couple of left jabs, then Rocky landed a hard left. The crowd, which was for Rocky, cheered its approval. Both men showed a bit more respect for one another in this round.

Pattern for much of this round was the backpeddling of Ray while landing left after left and the hurting in of Rocky who missed most of his

PIRATE NETMEN CLIP EAGLES

HAMPION, Va.—Hampton Institute net men, coached by Syvius S. Moore, swept their opening meet with North Carolina here last Thursday, April 17, 7-0. John Mudd, Robert Martin, Eric Blake, and Hammond Knox accounted for four of the five singles victories, and both doubles victories, with Roosevelt Megginson taking the other singles match.

Results follow (all winners Hampton, all losers NCC):

SINGLES MATCHES
Mudd defeated George Jones, 2-6, 6-3; Robert Martin defeated Robert Weaver, 5-7, 6-2, 6-3; Eric Blake defeated Carol Jones, 9-5, 2-6, 6-3; Hammond Knox defeated Charles Crumblin, 3-6, 6-0, 7-5; Roosevelt Megginson defeated Larry Wilson, 6-4, 6-3.

DOUBLES MATCHES
Mudd and Martin defeated Weaver and G. Jones, 5-2, 6-4; Knox and Blake defeated C. Jones and Crumblin, 6-3, 6-1.

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THE EAGLES—North Carolina College's baseball team, which has found the early season going

ard and Winston-Salem Teachers, and two exhibitions, to A and T and Shaw. Members of the squad shown above, are left to right, Coach Ben Whaley, Harold Darden, Wilson, N. C.; Nathan Thomas, Churchland, Va.; Jerome Evans, Goldsboro, N. C.; Art Payne, Winston-Salem, N. C.; Billy Sutton, Enfield, N. C.; Bobby Sutton, Goldsboro, N. C.; Reggie Bruton, Troy, N. C.; Ar-

Eagle Diamonders Lose As A & T Wins Number 5

GREENSBORO, N. C.—The A and T Aggies baseball team took its fifth consecutive Easter Monday Classic last week at Memorial Stadium, as it drubbed the North Carolina College nine 16-3 in a lopsided contest.

RATTLERS BEAT TUSKEGEE NINE

TALLAHASSEE — The Florida A. and M. College Rattlers nosed out Tuskegee Institute 8-7 thign hampered the Alabama nine 20-3 in a day-night Easter Monday double header here last week.

Mrs. Sugar Ray Is Pretty For The People As Hubby Goes Into Ring To Score

BY LUX VIRGIL OVERBEA
CHICAGO (AP)—Probably the most emotional person attending the fight which saw Ray (Sugar) Robinson retain his middleweight championship with a 153 third round kayo of Rocky Graziano before 23,611 fans at the Chicago Stadium last week, was the champion's wife, Mrs. Edna Mae Robinson, in a Parisian creation by Robinson.

After the fight, Mrs. Robinson, the famed fashion stylist, Jacques Fath, told reporters:

"I like Rocky. He's so lovable, but I didn't want him to beat my husband."

This ringsider was one of four reporters who rushed from the ringside immediately after the kayo to Mrs. Robinson, then to the IBC office for a chat with the attractive wife of a champion.

She was still excited after posing for numerous photographers after the fight, and being the target of their cameras during the day. At the ringside she sat with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Marie Brewster who is just as enthusiastic a Sugar Ray fan as Mrs. Robinson.

For the lucky four, Mrs. Robinson discussed Rocky as a good man, her husband as a religious person, her son, her ideas about boxing in general, and of course, the dress she wore of the fight.

Of the defeated challenger she

The win went to the credit of McNeil, the Aggie freshman sensation who struck out 11 men in his seven inning stint. McNeil retired at the end of the seventh because of a knee abrasion. Another freshman, Rhone, finished the game setting down six in a row in the final two innings.

North Carolina College scored their three runs in a sixth inning uprising, all of which were unearned coming after two outs. The Aggies scored one in the first, one in the second, two in the fourth, two in the fifth, a robust 8 in the sixth and two in the seventh to complete the scoring.

A and T gathered 15 hits and allowed only two hits, both of which went to the credit of Brown, shortstop for North Carolina College, the best performer for his team. Ratliff was the Aggie batting standout. He hit three singles for four times at bat.

Johnson was the starting pitcher for N. C. College and pitched out in the sixth by Baden, who held on for the remainder of the game.

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PERCENTAGE

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At The Ringside

THAT RARE THING—A GREAT FIGHT

Although many boxing fans see fight after fight year after year, they rarely if ever see a fight that provides them with an unforgettable thrill. Often they may see a great fighter in action, but even his battles usually have only one or two great moments.

It was this ringsider's rare privilege, however, to see that treasure of a lifetime, Wednesday night, April 16, at the Chicago Stadium. The occasion was the dramatic three-round kayo of Rocky Graziano by Ray (Sugar) Robinson, middleweight champion of the world.

In this battle, Sugar Ray was at his best, and so was Rocky. Both moved with superbly conditioned, and both men entered the ring determined to show their mastery over the other.

The only complaint that fans who saw it in person have is that the battle was too short. Otherwise, they were well pleased. Nobody sat down too long at this brawl. Every moment was one of excitement because something was happening at all times.

Unfortunately, this ringsider never saw all the oldtimers fight, but to him Robinson undoubtedly is one of the greatest, if not the greatest, fighters of all time. He is a superior boxer and slugger.

Against Graziano he was great because he had to be. He is not as agile at 31 as he once was. He opened the battle by choosing to slug it out with Graziano, certainly a man with a brutal one punch right.

After a couple of exchanges during which Ray landed most of the blows, but Rocky came always changing his strategy. He decided to use boxing finesse.

In the third round it appeared that this strategy had backfired as he was floored by a chopping right to the head. Then came his great moment, a brutal right that put his opponent to sleep and retained him his title.

A hostile crowd of 22,264 fans roars his own approval — You're great, Ray.

LINEUP OF COMING BIG FIGHTS

Now that the Robinson-Graziano fight at last is history, fight fans once more can give some thought to other boxers and bouts.

Top name in boxing, of course, is Ray (Sugar) Robinson, the middleweight champion. He is in line for two big bouts in New York — May 16 against Paddy Young and June 23 against light heavy king, Joey Maxim.

Neither of these bouts, however, may come off Robinson, however, does want to do the Young battle for the Heart Fund.

The next championship bout will be held May 14 pitting cham-

SPORTS CORNER

All in the Game:
BASKETBALL, officially incorporated in the Olympics in 1926 actually was introduced to the world at the 1894 games at St. Louis. . . If Hornsby is due to start any upward movement for the Browns, Ned Garver must have another good year. . . Preacher Roe won 22 for the Dodgers last season and dropped only three, for the blinding mark of .880. . . It is much longer to train a good baseball player than a good football player, outside of passers and kickers. . . A good baseball player starts as a kid, around eight or 10. . . End Tom Fears, Los Angeles Rams, holds N.L. football record for most passes caught in one game—18 against the Packers in 1950. . . How much will the Giants miss Eddie Stanky, Willie Mays and Monte Irvin? . . . The battle between Yogi Berra and Roy Campanella this season will be interesting. . . The White Sox will be able to take care of themselves in every department except pitching. . . Under the two-plateau system, football will never have all-around stars as Thorpe, Grange, Nevers, Clarke.

swiss appliqued organdy cuffs which matched her bonnet.

She wore ordinary costume jewelry earrings. On her feet Mrs. Robinson wears size 3 1/2 on 4 shoes. To the fight she wore navy shell pumps.

On her shoulders she sported a silver blue mink stole.

And all of it looked good on her.

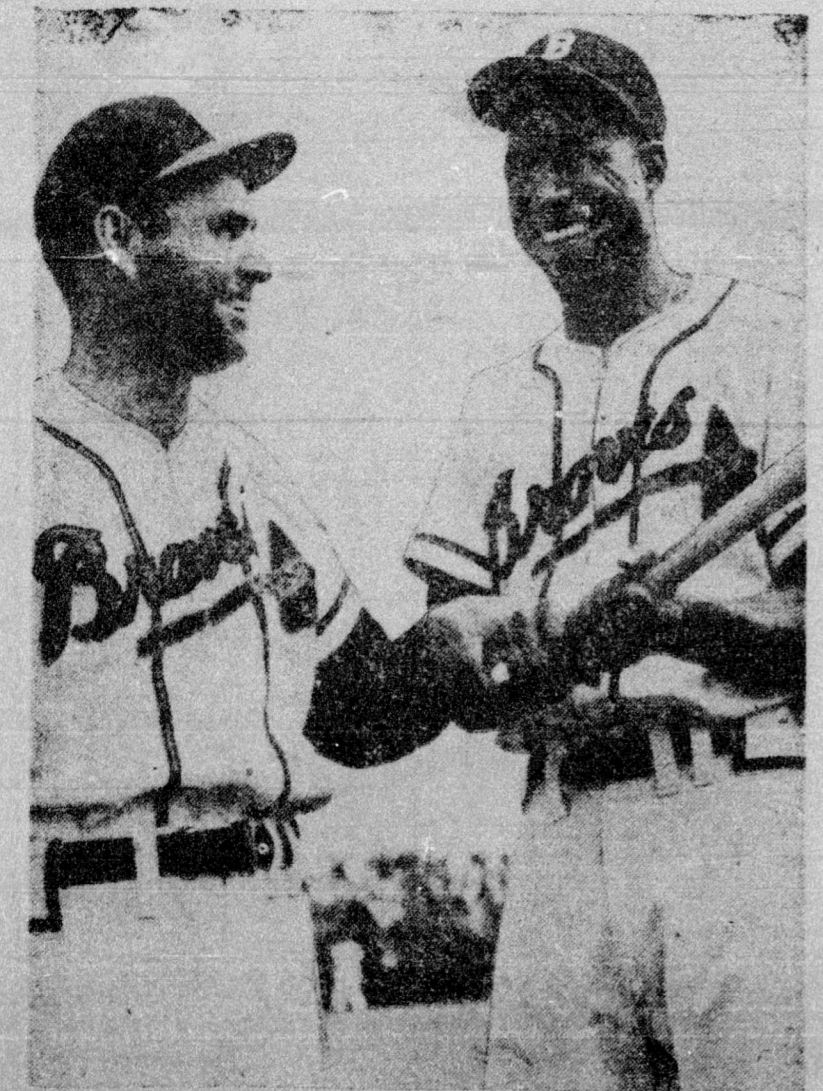
She also talked about her son, Ray II, 2 years old. He has never seen his father fight, but he did watch him train for the Graziano bout. On the night of the fight he did not stay with his parents at the Conrad Hilton hotel, but stayed at a quieter spot with friends.

1952 Carolina League Baseball Schedule

Team	At	At	At	At	At	At	At	At
Salem	Burlington	Danville	Fayetteville	Durham	Reidsville	Winston	Greensboro	Raleigh
Salem	May 2, 3	May 12, 13	May 18, 19	May 25, 26	May 31, 1	June 6, 7	June 13, 14	June 20, 21
Burlington	May 23, 24	May 29, 30	June 5, 6	June 12, 13	June 19, 20	June 26, 27	July 3, 4	July 10, 11
Danville	May 18, 19	May 25, 26	June 1, 2	June 8, 9	June 15, 16	June 22, 23	June 29, 30	July 6, 7
Fayetteville	May 12, 13	May 19, 20	May 26, 27	June 2, 3	June 9, 10	June 16, 17	June 23, 24	June 30, 1
Durham	May 26, 27	June 2, 3	June 9, 10	June 16, 17	June 23, 24	June 30, 1	July 7, 8	July 14, 15
Reidsville	May 18, 19	May 25, 26	June 1, 2	June 8, 9	June 15, 16	June 22, 23	June 29, 30	July 6, 7
Winston	May 2, 3	May 12, 13	May 19, 20	May 26, 27	June 2, 3	June 9, 10	June 16, 17	June 23, 24
Greensboro	May 21, 22	May 28, 29	June 4, 5	June 11, 12	June 18, 19	June 25, 26	July 2, 3	July 9, 10
Raleigh	May 29, 30	June 5, 6	June 12, 13	June 19, 20	June 26, 27	July 3, 4	July 10, 11	July 17, 18



FIRST TO QUALIFY FOR NATIONAL INTERCOLLEGIATE TENNIS MEET — Edward Whitsley (left), Florida A. and M. College net star, and recent winner of the Southeast open invitational intercollegiate tennis singles crown at Prairie View State College, is the first collegian to qualify for the national intercollegiate tournament that will be held at Central State College in August. Whitsley is shown with Walter Austin, Fanelec tennis coach who is a former national intercollegiate title. A native of Nashville, Whitsley won the Florida State singles championship last summer and is co-holder of the doubles title. (Jones photo)



TOMMY'S BOY—Boston Braves' manager Tommy Holmes, is justly pleased at the big stick carrier by his fleet-footed center fielder, Sam Jethroe. The "Jet," who drove National League pitchers crazy with his baseline tactics last year, had an auspicious opening day in Beantown last Tuesday when he powered a homer in his first time at the bat. Alas, that wasn't enough. The pesky Brooklyn Dodgers went on to win the Boston opener 3-2.

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