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STEPHEN-WISE AWARD SET UP AT U. OF PENN.

PHILADELPHIA — Creation of the Stephen Wise Award Fund for an annual prize to the University of Pennsylvania undergraduate senior making the greatest contribution toward strengthening relationships among religious groups at the university was announced Sunday by President Gaylord P. Harnwell.

REDLEGS SELL BLACK TO SEATTLE CLUB

CINCINNATI, Ohio — Joe Black, rookie of the year in 1952 with the Brooklyn Dodgers, last week was sold by the Cincinnati Redlegs to Seattle of the Pacific Coast League. He had a 3-2 record with the Redlegs last season while being used chiefly in relief.

INAUGURAL COMMITTEE shows (left to right, two members, Randolph Bishop, executive secretary, and J. Franklin Wilson, vice-chairman, with Mrs. Bishop the pages of the pictorial directory of the 84th Congress at a gathering of the committee at headquarters recently.

Peace committee sets talk on atom bombs

WASHINGTON

The Washington Friends Joint Peace Committee is sponsoring an open forum on H-Bombs and a Christian answer to atomic war, at 8 p.m., Jan. 17, at 2111 Florida Ave., NW.

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ATLANTA, Ga. (ANP)—"The Role of Alpha Kappa Alpha in Times of Transition" was the theme of the 36th Annual Boule held here last wetk.

On the night of the public program, Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, president of Morehouse College, was guest speaker. His subject was "Where Are We in Times of Transition?"

John T. Blue, director of the American Council on Human Rights informed the delegates concerning minority groups; the need for democracy; and why all subversive measures should be destroyed.

ANOTHER highlight of this session, and traditional at the boule, was the annual address of the supreme basileus, Ernestia G. Wallace, who urged each member to carry the torch of progress in these times of transition.

The Regional Director's Council presented a panel discussion on "Good Relationships, an Essential to Good Leadership." It was pointed out that there is need for good relationships all over the world.

The closing of the boule included reports of committees, voting on officers, consideration of constitutional amendments, reports and awards for National Projects Fund, installation of officers and memorial services.

THE NEXT boule will be held at Alpha Kappa Alpha's birthplace, Howard University Campus, Washington D. C., Aug., 1958. At that time, the 50th anniversary will be celebrated.

Climaxing the boule was the banquet with two founders present: Anna Brown and Marie Woolfolk Taylor. Guest speaker was Soror Barrow, Teen Directional Peace, will be speaker.

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ATLANTIC CITY—The Liberty Hotel has awarded six free weekends to winners of the popular contest, "Why Atlantic City is the best resort city in the United States."

This contest brought many letters and the Liberty has extended the time limit for another month and will award six more winners of this contest.

The first six winners were: Mrs. Helen Jonson, Philadelphia; C. Kendrix, Newark; Miss C. Boyer, Orange; Miss K. Hilmes, Camden; Mrs. R. Jones, Passaic; and T. Freeman, Linden.

Prize winning letters are now being received at the Liberty in regards to another contest, "Why I Like to read the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers."

The winners of this contest will also receive free week-ends at the hotel.

Recent guests were: Mr. and Mrs. R. Fort of Camden, Mr. and Mrs. C. Foulkes of Orange, Mr. and Mrs. R. Preston of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Hayden of Baltimore.

Good Deeds Pay

(An Editorial)

RICHMOND

For the past ten years, the Richmond Funeral Directors Association has been quietly providing financial support to worthy students at colleges in Virginia and the District of Columbia.

Many of the recipients are now filling responsible jobs in Richmond and one is a geological oceanographer for the Government in Washington.

Needless to say, without the funds supplied by the Funeral Directors Association many of these students would have been unable to complete their education.

We understand that several fraternities and sororities here also have scholarship programs of this nature.

It would be well if more social, civic, religious and professional organizations established scholastic aid programs. A small portion of the money now being squandered on frivolities could be used more wisely to develop another Ralph Bunche, George Washington Carver or Marian Anderson.

The Richmond Funeral Directors and a few other organizations here are setting the pace.

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Plainfield to honor Campbell, Olympic decathlon champion

By SAMUEL A. HAYNES

PLAINFIELD — Top officials, with all service clubs and numerous civic groups participating, will observe Milt Campbell Day on Friday, Jan. 11, in honor of the 1956 Olympic decathlon champion.

The planning committee consists of some 75 prominent leaders and citizens representing all races, nationalities and creeds.

The general chairman is Vincent Loprestti, with H. G. Patterson as co-chairman; H. A. Stye, treasurer; and Mrs. Mills S. Barnes, a member of the executive committee of the NAACP Branch, secretary.

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THE PESTIVITIES will begin at 4 p.m. at the City Hall, where Mayor Allen D. Tompkins will welcome the 22-year-old Plainfield High School graduate and star athlete, whose studies at the University of Indiana were interrupted by a call to the Navy.

Flowers will be presented to his mother who, along with his father who lives in New York City, and his grandparents, will be guests of honor.

Campbell will be the toast of the town at a gala banquet at 7 p.m. in the Park Hotel, preceded by an informal reception there at 6 p.m.

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ABRAM E. SMITH, coach at Plainfield High School, will be the toastmaster.

Among the guests of honor will also be Campbell's fiancee, Miss Patricia McKinney, a school teacher in East Chicago, Ill., to whom he is to be married on June 29.

Their engagement was announced Thursday night at a supper party for the young couple at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Scott.

Miss McKinney is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James M. McKinney.

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CAMPBELL will also be honored in Newark on Jan. 17 at Don Newcombe, the Brooklyn the 17th annual all-sports award dinner sponsored by the Newark Athletic Club, along with Dodgers' star pitcher, who won the National League's MVP Award and the first Cy Young Award for winning 27 games in 1956.

Campbell is the third athlete in the history of the NAC's all-sports award to be honored a second time.

He was named as New Jersey's outstanding schoolboy athlete in 1950.

On The Vannwagon

BY EARL VANN

PHILADELPHIA

"The winner and new middleweight champion of the world."

The time was approximately 11:06 p.m.; the place, Madison Square Garden.

With these words some 20,000 fight fans heard finis to the fistic career of Sugar Ray Robinson.

To be truthful, it was not shocking nor surprising. Folks sort of had the feeling all along that the end was near.

Yet, being so faithful to a great fighter, they simply hated to come right out and say it.

Like the guy on the corner before the fight, who was asked "Who do you think Robinson or Fullmer?

He said, "Well Sugar's getting older, but he's still the champ, and you don't bet against a champ, you just go down with him."

You know the feeling of Sugar's followers; you hope, but you don't bet. It's like the fellow said, "Sugar's a real champ, but Fullmer's so young."

So again he's asked, "Who is going to win?" and he chirps back with the double talk, "Sugar's old, but he's smart. I like the champ, but if it goes the distance Fullmer might beat him."

It was always the same pattern, no matter who you asked. The were all pulling for the champ, but really couldn't convince themselves that he would actually win.

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THEN came the fight. Ray wasn't doing too bad in the earlier rounds, but then neither was Gene. Then came the seventh round, and all of a sudden, came the beginning of the end.

There was the champ on the canvas taking a six count. You felt your breath catch and then the champ came back strong.

Then you thought: "He'll do it again. He won't let us down."

You watched the cards, and it said tenth round, and the champ wasn't too far behind. In fact you kept asking yourself, "Is he ahead at all?"

Again you saw something which made you shake your head. The champ kept looking at the clock and holding on.

You knew this wasn't the champ of old. You dropped your head, and a little tingle touched your heart, because you knew the champ was thru.

Sure, they fought five more rounds, but Gene Fullmer had won the title as early as the eleventh round.

Sugar Ray fought valiantly until the end. Yet it was futile, you knew he was beat.

So at 11:06 p.m. the former champ, along with all the rest of us heard what we knew was coming all the time. Gene Fullmer was middleweight champion of the world.

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HOW did Sugar Ray take the defeat? Like the real champion he's always been.

Said he, "No alibis, the broken nose didn't hamper me. I was beat by a better man." Spoken like a champ.

There will be no comebacks for Robinson, this time. He like other great champions in sports, has reached the end of the trail.

Sugar Ray when at the peak of his career once said, "When I get over the hump, I'll know better than anyone else when I'm thru and I'll quit."

So "champ", we say to you, "Now is the time, you went down gloriously. Let us keep those fine memories of you fighting so desparately and gamely to make a lie out of the adage, 'Youth must be served.'"

You were a great champion, in and out of the ring.

We remember how insiders tried to keep you down, because you had guts to buck the system of letting everyone else cut in on your money. You won that battle.

Then they made you wait five years longer than you should have before they gave you a crack at the title and you won that one too.

Next they started giving you bad press, because you were different, you did your own thinking. So you fought that battle and won it also.

When you started donating big purses to charity, they at long last started saying nice things about you.

Then you relinquished the title, and you came back and won that one too. Now when they say, "They never come back," they must add "except Sugar Ray."

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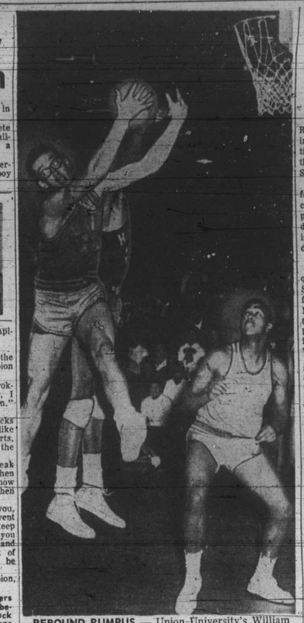
YOU have fought and won more strange, intrigue fights than any other fighter in the game. You have been a great champion, and when sports history books are revised, you can bet your life you will be listed as the athletic world, alongside Joe Louis, Rocky Marciano, Jackie Robinson and others, regardless of what the announcer said in Madison Square Garden at 11:06 p.m.

To millions of Americans we shall always refer to you as "Sweet Sugar" OUR CHAMPION OF THE WORLD.



REBOUND RUMPUS — Union University's William Phillips (left) gains the upper hand in a rebounding battle with Howard's Harold Eaton (partially obscured) under the basket as the Panthers downed Howard, 89-74, in Richmond last week. It was the third win in five starts for Union.

At the Ringside with NCC nips Pirates with seconds left

By CHARLES LIVINGSTON

CHICAGO (ANP)—Why didn't Referee Ruby Goldstein penalize Gene Fullmer for illegal tactics against Ray Robinson in their title match in Madison Square Garden last week?

That is the question that fight fans were asking after the charging Mormon from the copper mines of West Jordan, Utah, decisioned the aging Robinson in 15 rounds to win the middleweight title.

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NO ONE can answer that question better than Goldstein, of course, however, he has offered no public explanation. Maybe he fears being pulled up to a raging controversy; maybe he resents his judgment being questioned; maybe he just wants to remain noncommital.

But whatever the reason, his silence has given rise to much speculation. And until he responds to the satisfaction of fans, the belief that Robinson fought two opponents—Fullmer and the referee—will be accepted as a logical conclusion.

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THE QUESTION needs answering for other reasons, too. For it appears that a once-great champion has been pushed around and shorn of his title in a fight in which there was considerably less of the rules by his challenger.

And it might be otherwise argued that Fullmer took Sugar Ray's title with the blessing of the referee.

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THIS COURIER finds it hard to believe that a referee of Goldstein's stature would be a party to any such connivance. But like other fans, I cannot understand why he permitted Fullmer to get away with so much—rabbit punching, butting and the like.

I am not trying to gainsay Fullmer's victory, as I think he put up a courageous fight. But one gets to wondering why a referee—who was himself a prize fighter can overlook such obvious infractions and one gets to forming ideas.

WHATEVER WAS Goldstein's motive (if he had any) for failing to act, we can hardly deny that his officiating left a lot to be desired. For Goldstein, by his indecisiveness, gave tacit approval to Fullmer's infractions.

After the fight Robinson's handlers argued that Fullmer was allowed to get away with practically everything. One of them—Harold (Killer) Johnson, asked: "Did you ever see a fighter get away with so much without being warned by the referee?" Countless boxing fans are asking the same question in varying ways.

It's a good question for Goldstein to ponder.

DURHAM, N.C. — Sad Sam Jones (not related to the hatchet-man of play to lead North Carolina College to an 87-79 win over Hampton Institute in a CIAA game here Saturday night.

The big Laurinburg, N.C., product accounted for 28 points to outshine the Pirates all-CIAA Ed Amos, 1956's conference high point man, who was runners-up with 24. Floyd Brown's Eagles lost twice to Ben Whaley's Bulldog careers last year, 60-54 and 70-64.

North Carolina fought an uphill battle all the way as the Pirates forged ahead several times in the nip and tuck affair that saw the score knotted 10 times in the first half and Hampton ahead at intermission 40-36.

DECISIVE ACTION came in a dramatic finish in the closing seconds of play. Jones made good his first free throw, missed the second, grabbed the rebound and scored on a layup to give NCC a three-point victory margin.

A superb floor man and a dazzling basketmaker all evening, Jones was assisted in his scoring efforts by center Carlton Bell, who netted 19 points; guard Jim Sligh, 12; and forward Charlie Badger, 11.

NCC plays Union in Richmond, Wednesday night in a rematch. The Richmond team is the only loop club to beat the Eagles to date. At prestime, NCC is slated to play the Winston-Salem Rams in the Twin City and defending champion Maryland State here.

In addition to Amos, three other Hampton cagers hit in the double figures: Tom Gault, 19; Larry Trader, 11, and Hal Watson, 10.

NCC's victory over the Pirates increased the Eagles' overall record to 9-2 and their CIAA mark to 6-1.

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Russell rage of pro loop

NEW YORK — Bob Pettit of St. Louis and Bill Russell of Boston are giving daily substance to the popular acclaim that they are respectively, Mr. Offense and Mr. Defense of professional basketball.

Pettit's point - making surge continued unabated through a second straight week and the 6-9 Russell exhibited defensive skill unmatched in pro history.

The rookie from San Francisco was credited with 30 or more rebounds twice during the past week, turning in the season's high of 34 against Philadelphia last Wednesday. He wound up the week with a total of 112 rebounds inforu games, besides bounds in four games, besides goal attempts.

Pettit scored 124 points in four games, giving him 229 in his last seven starts.

Russell's play ignited Boston to four straight wins and a five game Eastern Division lead. During that span he accounted for 35 percent of the Celtics' rebound recoveries and personally hauled in 20 percent of all available rebounds by both teams. He held up his end on offense, too, averaging 17 points a game.

Fayetteville dumps shaw

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C.—Returning to action after a brief holiday layoff, the Fayetteville State Teachers Broncos last Saturday, bounced into action with a 88-67 win over Shaw University.

Roosevelt Wright and Robert Johnson led the Broncos' attack with 19 points apiece. The winners jumped off to an early lead which they never relinquished.

The brilliant play of Frank Keith, Shaw captain and the game's high scorer, with 20 points, kept the Bears in contention, but he didn't get enough help from teammates to cause a real threat.

Fayetteville's win over the Bears upped the Broncos' loop record to 3-2.

Cage games

GAMES THIS WEEK

January 12

Morgan at Virginia State
Lincoln at Maryland
Howard at St. Paul
St. Augustine at A and T
North Carolina at W. Salem
Shaw at J. C. Smith
Fla. A and M at Knoxville
Alcorn at Grambling
Wiley at Arkansas

January 14

D.C. Teachers at Howard
Maryland at North Carolina
Lincoln at King's College
Fla. A and M at Knoxville
Phila. Ser. Stolbh at Grambling

January 15

Bluefield at Virginia State
Tennessee at Central State
Tuskegee at Fla. A and M
Miss. Lincoln at Arkansas

RESULTS OF GAMES

Maryland 91, Morgan 68
North Carolina 82, Hampton 79
Union 89, Howard 74
Maryland 65, Elin. City 55
A and T 68, Virginia State 51
Tennessee 88, Grambling 84
Tennessee 115, Knoxville 81
Ala. State 97, Fort Valley 94
Benedict 69, Allen 48
Benedict 75, Fla. A and M 65
Ala. State 120, Lemoyne 56

Chic pact said to irk Minoso

CHICAGO (NNPA)— Orestes (Minnie) Minoso, star outfielder of the Chicago White Sox, was reported to have said in Havana Monday that he was displeased over failure of the Sox to give him a raise over his 1956 salary of $32,500.

Before sending out contracts for 1957 recently, the White Sox announced that both Minoso and Larry Doby would be expected to work for the same salaries they received last year. Doby's pay is believed to be slightly higher than that of Minoso.

The Havana report said Minoso rejected the contract, contending he deserves a raise. Chuck Comiskey, White Sox vice president, said he has not heard any protests from Minoso who led the club with a batting average of .316.

"I think Minnie is pretty well paid," said Comiskey. "I don't think his play at the start of the 1956 season justified his salary. He finished strong, but we could have used some of his September base hits."

He's to report to Danville after graduating in June.

Rec News

LEXINGTON ST. CENTER

A pre-teen dance at Lexington Center Thursday was attended by more than 185 boys and girls.

Pre-teen dances are sponsored the first Thursday of each month by the Starlettes, a pre-teen club.

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GREENMOUNT CENTER

On January 4th, the first in a series of special weekly sports activities were held at the Greenmount Recreation Center at 2304 Greenmount Ave.

The week's activities featured an outdoor roller skating party, and children of all age groups took part in the numerous tag games, relay races and fancy skating and couple skating contests.

Prizes were awarded to relay teams comprised of Jeannette Sykes, Joyce Gadsey, Joyce Newson and Deborah Richmond and James Wright, Melvin Rauls and Lewis Allen.

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LAFAYETTE COURTS

The Lafayette Midget basketball league began play recently in the Dunbar gymnasium. The league is composed of four teams of boys between the ages of 12 and 14 years. Among the teams represented are the Forty-Niners, Scorpions, Magicians and Trotters.

Registration is being held for girls dodgeball teams, and for softball teams in all groups.

Dance groups are planning activities for their winter and spring programs. Junior leaders of the dance groups are Glenis Winkler, Helen Brown, Gloria Lancaster, and Carleen Rivers.

Persons interested in joining Center groups or clubs may sign up at the community center. Activities are offered are in sports, singing, dancing, crafts, games, programs, and contests.

Pro Cagers

BOSTON CELTICS—Bill Russell.

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N.Y. KNICKS — Ray Felix, Nat Clifton and Willie Naulls.

PHILA. WARRIORS—Jackie Moore.

ROCHESTER ROYALS—Maurice Stokes, Dick Ricketts and Ed Fleming.

SYRACUSE NATS — Earl Lloyd and Bob Hopkins.

Howard Bisons meet D.C. Teachers Monday

WASHINGTON

Weekend basketball fare on the collegiate level will be sparse locally. Howard University will be away in Lawrenceville, Va., where they meet St. Paul.

D.C. Teachers College will be idle. The next home game for both schools will be on Monday, when Howard and the teachers meet each other for the first time this season.

Globetrotters drub Generals in Chicago

CHICAGO (ANP)—The fabulous Harlem Globetrotters, clown antics and all, took advantage of the Washington Generals here last week in Chicago Stadium before over 12,000 fans and won their 38th consecutive victory 80-71.

Leading the Trotter attack was Woodrow Sauldsberry who sank 18 points, while teammate Meadowlark Lemon provided mirth and merriment for the audience. Lemon, forward, a show within himself, was given loud ovations when he or he put on a dribbling exhibition.

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Classes in golf begun at YMCA

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Classes are held every Tuesday and Wednesday from 8 to 10 p.m. for 12 weeks. Interested persons may register at the physical education office, 1619 Druid Hill Avenue.

Amateur boxing dates announced

The Cross Country Club, the Jewish War Veterans and the Optimist Club of Govans will sponsor the Maryland State amateur boxing championships on Mondays, January 28 and February 4 at the Coliseum.

Entries will be accepted in 10 weight classes and anyone living in the State of Maryland or based in Maryland with the armed services may file.

Entrants must be 16 years of age or over. Closing date for entries midnight January 23 with the weigh-ins on January 29 and February 3 from 1 to 3 p.m. at 1000 North Broadway.

Entries and registrations will be accepted by E. W. Chaffman, South Atlantic Ass'n AAU 3047 Huntington Ave., Baltimore.

Horse Races

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Horses that impressed me and appear ready to enter the winner's circle in the near future:

AT TROPICAL PARK

MAID OF COTTON—Good races
BIG MARK—Last is a pip
MAGIC PUZZLE—Fit
LADY BEAVER—May upset
JOYRINGA—Fast finish
NITIME—Good now
BALALAIKA—Cleaned out last
BLACK JAY—Good trials
TOMI BLU—Could surprise
BLUE GAVEL—Improved
TACHOMETER—Consolidated
ADOMIDER—Good now
INTELLIGENT—Last good
GAY BARON—May upset
OVERLAND—Well prepped

AT SANTA ANITA

FLEET BLUE—May surprise
SCONCE—Just missed
BUZZSAW—Good races
THUNDER BOY—Good stable
BURORD—Trials good
BEZAN—Last very good
TIFF—Likes track
ADD SEVEN—Fit
SILVER EAGLE—Better than rated
COUNTRY CLUB—Races good
SIDE GALLANT—Toss out last
ALIDON—Good now
TERRANEL—Improved
COUNT OF HONOR—Never better

AT FAIR GROUNDS

SCALET IBIS—Last good
BIR ROAD—Fast and fit
TAI SOROUCHKY—May upset
FAIRWAY LASSIE—Good races
HAMMOUND—Disappointed
NUMERICAL—Good now
MY FAULT—Better than rated
SIR ROAMER—Good trials
BE RE PO—Last a pip
SERVICE—Fast finisher
LYNN RIDGE—Good stable
SILED—Improved
HEIRESS—Faltered
EASY TRAIL—Speedy and fit
BEE LEE TEE—Fast

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