



## Promoting Is Louis' Idea

### Vacates Championship For Big Time Deal; Plan Walcott-Charles Bout for Crown

By LUIX OVERBEA

CHICAGO. (ANP). The idea of entering the promotional field was Joe Louis' alone, it was revealed here by his attorney, Truman K. Gibson, Jr. As retired heavyweight champion of the world Louis leaves behind the greatest record ever achieved by a champion boxer. His becoming a promoter will breed the biggest fight for the control of boxing by several groups loaded with money.

His co-partners are James D. Norris, one of the world's leading grain operators and co-owner of the Chicago stadium, and Arthur M. Wirtz, partner with Sonja Heine and her ice review, and owner of large real estate properties. Wirtz and Norris also own 45 percent interest in Madison Square Garden and interests in large stadiums in Detroit, St. Louis, and Indianapolis.

Louis, Wirth, and Norris each own a third share in their new organization, the IBC, International Boxing club, which also has ties with leading foreign groups.

Although he had planned to be a promoter two months ago, his plans were kept secret until all arrangements had been completed. Attorney Gibson is credited with guiding the champion toward the desirable setup.

The first fight to be promoted by IBC will be the Ezzard Charles-Jersey Joe Walcott bout for Louis' vacated heavyweight crown. The winner of this bout has agreed to meet either Gus Lesnevich or Lee Savold within 90 days after the match.

Louis said that both Walcott and Charles have signed two year agreements to fight exclusively for IBC. The new champion will defend his title every six months.

The new IBC program has been approved by the NBA (National Boxing association) commissioner Abe J. Greene. Joe sent his letter of retirement to Greene dated March 1, 1949.

Louis is entering the promotion game against the advice of the man who made him and whom he made, Mike Jacobs of the Twentieth Century Sporting club. He told Jacobs of his decision two days before his announced retirement.

"Uncle Mike," said of the Louis retirement, "It looks like I have to retire, too."

The Brown Bomber's entrance into this phase of boxing may break Jacobs' monopoly over the game gained through Louis. The latter's firm was caught off balance because it had figured on signing the Bomber for a June title defense. What it will do now depends on Jacobs.

The International Boxing club's biggest competitors will be the Tournament of Champions, Inc., which had already cut into the Jacobs monopoly. This firm, headed by David Charney, is

### Eastern Stars Plan Tea for Sunday, Mar. 20

Amaranthe Chapter No. 3, Order of Eastern Star, will have a silver tea at the home of Mrs. J. Bonds, 427 No. 24th street, on Sunday, March 20 from 4 to 6 p. m. The public is invited, according to Miss Frances Lewis, Worthy Matron.



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JOE LOUIS.

backed by the Columbia Broadcasting system, Music Corporation of America, and Allied Syndicates. Jack Solomons, the British promoter, also hopes to land the big fights. He controls two champions, Freddie Mills, the 175 pound king, and Rinty Monaghan, flyweight titlist. He has a fish and bookmaking fortune behind him.

### Southern Schools Contract For 200 Meharry Berths

ATLANTA. (ANP). Contract forms, under which various southern states will contribute to the education of medical and dental students, were drawn up and approved by representatives of 10 southern colleges meeting here last Feb. 26. Presiding at the meeting, attended by educators from participating states, was Dr. W. T. Sanger, president of the Medical college of Virginia, at Richmond.

The contract forms provide that Meharry Medical college, Nashville, will take 200 Negro medical and dental students from Ga., S. C., Fla., La., Md., Miss., Ark., N. C., Okl., Tenn., Ala., Tex. and Va., receiving in turn \$1,500 for each student accepted.

Georgia has stipulated it will contribute \$24,000 a year for the next two school years to Meharry, which will take 16 such students from the state. The legislature has already set aside the \$48,000 for this purpose.

The state will contribute \$15,000 to schools accepting 10 other dental students from the state this fall. Emory university will take 20 medical and 70 dental students.

### Name Negro to Gary School Board

GARY, Ind. (ANP). Mayor Eugene Swartz announced Friday the appointment of the Rev. J. Claude Allen as a member of the Gary school board. This is the first time in the history of the city that a colored member of the board has been named.

### Student NAACP Meets to Vote Fate of Rules

The college chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People met Tuesday, March 15 at the "Norris" house, to consider changes suggested by the University of Nebraska faculty committee on Student Organization before that group would complete its consideration of the NAACP as a campus organization.

Main issues discussed included the suggestion of the faculty committee that the NAACP forsake title and ties with the National Association in order that it might be more closely supervised by the school. No other national organization of the Nebraska campus has been so challenged recently although it is common for national offices to exercise some control of local chapters. Also considered was the provision which requires half of annual dues of one dollar to be sent to the national headquarters.

Speakers on the program were Eugene Berman and Charles Goolsby who talked on why there should be a campus organization of NAACP.

The constitution for the college NAACP had been previously reviewed by the Student Council and approved before being sent to the Faculty Senate group which must also approve all student organizations.

### Rutgers Student Council Condemns Bias on Campus

NEW BRUNSWICK. (ANP). Rutgers university student council in a memorandum presented the university board and administration last week, condemned racial bias in fraternities.

The student council asked that any organization which did not admit Negroes or Jews or had any bars against race, color or creed, be barred from the university campus.

The officials were further asked to state their own positions on the matter.

### Job Opportunity Campaign To Be Sponsored At Urban League Friday

By Alfred Grice

A vocational opportunity program is being sponsored Friday, March 18, at the Urban League beginning at 7:30 p. m. The program will consist of conferences with high school students concerning the vocation they plan to choose, in addition to a general program for students and their parents.

Students will be familiarized with their chosen fields by lectures, demonstrations, films and

conferences. The ultimate purpose of the program is to enable the youth of Lincoln to make their just and due contribution to America's onward march and to her industry's full utilization of their skills and human resources regardless of race, religion or color.

Certificates of Recognition from the National Urban League will be awarded to three local persons, Urban League staff members said that their names would not be revealed until Friday, however.

Among persons who will speak briefly on their occupations or professions will be Miss Katie Faulkner and Joseph Ishakawa, U. of N. art department; Mrs. Helen Randol, U.S. Employment service; Mrs. Dorothy Glenn, legislative clerical pool; Mrs. Frances Greene and Mrs. Mary Thelmon, See Job Opportunity, Page 4.

### At YWCA Confab



MRS. CARTER WESLEY

MRS. CARTER WESLEY of Houston, Texas, was chairman of the credentials committee of the 18th national convention of the Young Women's Christian Associations of the U. S., which met in San Francisco from March 7 to 14. Plans for world peace and understanding through organizational work were discussed at the convention.

### Postal Employees Get Promotions

Mr. Roland Young, employed for the past several years in the post office maintenance department, has recently been upgraded and is now relief elevator operator.

Mr. Ernest Cruder also received a promotion from the maintenance department to mail handler.

### Noted Medics Attend National Cancer Meet

By Lewis O. Swingler, Editor, The Memphis World

MEMPHIS. (ANP). Three outstanding leaders in the field of medicine, one internationally noted for his research in the development of blood plasma, attended the three-day National Cancer conference last week in Memphis. Sessions were held at the Peabody hotel Friday thru Sunday of last week under auspices of



Mr. Swingler the American Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute of the U. S. Public Health Service.

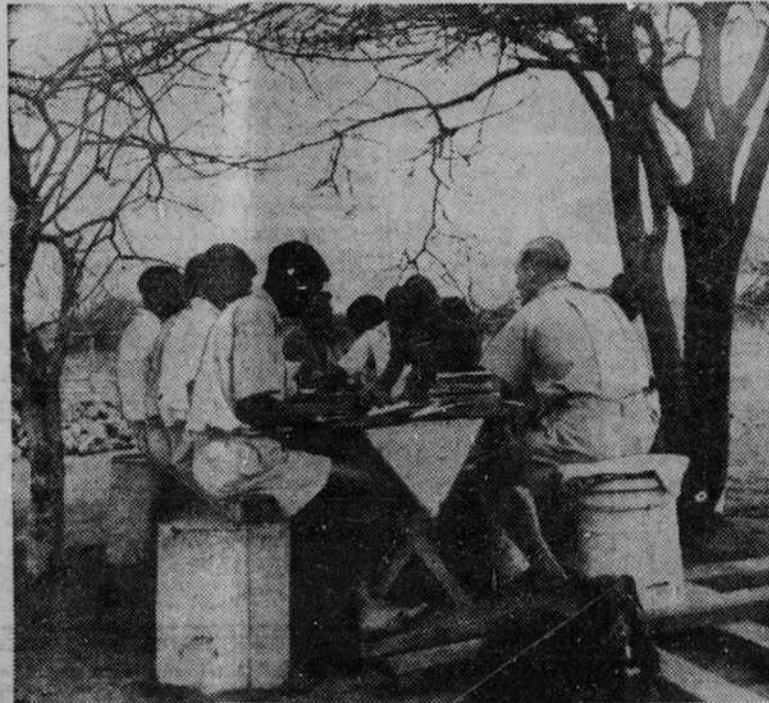
Physicians who were present at the meeting included Dr. Charles Richard Drew, medical director of Freedmen's Hospital, Washington, D. C., and distinguished for having developed blood banks during the last war; Dr. Robert S. Jason, vice dean of the medical college at Howard, and director of cancer research there; and Dr. W. H. Sinkler, medical director of Homer G. Phillips hospital in St. Louis, Mo.

Several other prominent medics were invited to the conference, one of the first major meetings to ever be held on cancer. They were Dr. George W. Hilliard, assistant professor of surgery, Meharry Medical college, Nashville; Dr. John Johnson, professor of medicine at Howard, and Dr. Burke Syphax, director of tumor clinic at Howard; and Dr. John Morehead of the Virgin Islands.

The conference brought no new facts that would reveal what causes cancer and the delegates left with many of their old general definitions of "sick cells," or "upset in the general function of the body."

There was general agreement that a more intensified educational program would and should be carried out in order to make the patient himself aware of early symptoms of cancer. Once the patient is able to detect these symptoms, and call upon his doctor, cures can be effected in a majority of cases.

### Little Red School House, African Style



Among topics now being studied by the U.N. Trusteeship Council at Lake Success is the first report from one of its own regular Mission to areas under U.N. Trusteeship system. The report concerns Ruanda-Urundi and Tanganyika and covers all phases of native life, including health, economics, social welfare and schools (above). (ANP).