

# IN THE REALM OF ...SPORTS...

## St. Augustine Trounces Smith

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 18—(ANP)—The St. Augustine's College Basketball team made its 1936 debut Friday night by trouncing Johnson C. Smith University 35 to 32 in an exciting and fast game. Robinson, the Saint's lanky forward and Kennedy, the center were high scorers for the game. Greenlee of the Queen City team, making many spectacular shots, was the outstanding player for his team. At the start of the game, Smith took a 6 to 0 lead by virtue of 2 goals by Boyd and one by Eaton. A quick rally by Robinson and Kennedy brought the score to 19 to 10 in the Saint's favor at the end of the half. The visitors supplied some keen excitement by running up the score to 32 to 35 when the final gun seemed to rob them of victory.

## Neuro Is Standout In Golden Gloves Mo. Tournament

Springfield, Mo., Jan. 18—(CP)—Latham McDaniels, 175 pound Negro, was the big standout in the Golden Gloves tournament of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat conducted here as the finishing touches were put upon the 54 boxers who participated in the Springfield unit eliminations for the thirty who will see day in the finals.

On January 16, thirty more entrants will vie for the tilt along with some of the winners in the first elimination try. The finals will come off January 23 when the 16 successful contestants will go to St. Louis to participate in the tourney of champions the middle of February. The entrants are under supervision of trainer Ed Smith. In speaking of McDaniels, Smith says, "I've seen a lot of boxers around here, professional and amateur, but that kid, McDaniels, has shown me enough to convince me he's a natural fighter if I ever saw one."

## Another Lion Tossed To The Christian

Chicago, Jan. 18—Charley Retzlaff, who otherwise seems to be quite a normal young man has offered himself for public sacrifice at Chicago Stadium this Friday, Jan. 17. Joe Louis is the person chosen to perform the rites. If nothing else, this proves that a man will do anything for money.

In the time of the Caesars, for the amusement of the Roman thousands they tossed out and watched the animals sharpen their teeth on the bones of Christians to lions in the arena the hapless human. Now and then a jungle beast would either get tongue-tied or, if sensible, give up entirely on an especially tough case. Some cynics claim these were merely the original hard-shelled Baptists who were aimed for heaven if they didn't drown enroute, but you can discount that as merely professional jealousy. Besides, it has little to do with this column.

The big point is that Joe Louis, reputedly a deep and sincere student of the Bible, has been reversing the procedure. In New York last June they tossed out a Roman offspring named Primo Carnera, the Carnivorous, and may thousands saw the mammoth animal completely devoured by the Chris-

tian Brown Bomber Retzlaff, next opponent for Christian Joe, falls in the "lion" category when he says he'll beat the Dusky Destroyer. That's as much lynch as you'll see for many a day.

When a professional boxer these days offers to get into the same ring with Mr. Joseph Louis Barrow, the heavyweight to en-dall heavyweights, he ought to be looked upon as a mental oddity. Retzlaff does not necessarily need the cash as the 27 year old white youth is worth \$300,000 after six years of fighting. If the truth must be known, it is the same ambition that made medieval alchemists seek a mythical "philosopher's stone" which would turn everything it touched into gold—the accomplishment of the impossible.

Every boxer today knows that a victory over Joe would belong in the class of hiking from New York to London. There would be fame a plenty, and the mark is worth shooting at. That is, if you're like Nathan Hale who was proud to give his one life for his country. When they fight Louis, those who say "I'd die for dear old Rutgers" get their wish.

Jack Blackburn, who once trained Retzlaff, admits the white boy is tough. Charley, who stands six foot four and weighs 198 does have something of a punch. But for that matter, a couple of lads named Max Baer and Kingfish Lovinsky (whatever became of them?) could also hit. That means Retzlaff, by his reputation, is merely making it harder on himself.

Well, it's his own funeral. If Charley wants to commit suicide before several thousand observers, who am I to say him nay?

Al Duvall, the Loyola university, Los Angeles, tackle who was rated one of the best on the coast, eats only one meal a day. At 10 p. m., if ever you have him as a guest... Lorenzo Paek, 1935 Golden Gloves, heavyweight champ who has been knocking 'em right and left since turning pro, watched Joe Louis train recently for his bout Friday night. "What do you think of Joe?" he was asked. "Do you think you can lick him?" "Why not?" replied Paek. "He's human like I am."

## Foresee Trouble Over N. Y. U. Court Star

New York, Jan. 18—(ANP)—Howard Cann is receiving congratulations for the splendid basketball team he is developing at New York University—and because of the spectacular showing the team has made, he has been able to command his figure for the appearance of the varsity on the basketball cards which have taken New York by storm. However, breakers are ahead for Howard—for the star of his up and coming freshman team is Ed Williams, lanky colored center—much in the order of George Gregory at Columbia. What will be the position of New York U's team in 1936 and 1937 when it meets all of these nice teams from Dixie? Already, Kentucky has stated through a spokesman that the team representing that school does not participate in games where Negroes are on the team, such clauses being inserted in the contracts it signs with other schools. Yet Williams is the best for New York U's team next year.

## Gleanings From Chicago's Congo

Francois Mosely and his Louisianans, whom this column stated recently is The Congo's smoothest all-around orchestra, has added still more laurels to his crown. People in this area tune to Wind where he broadcasts nightly from his regular stand at Dave's Cafe. But Franco's newest bid for even greater popularity is at the Sunday matinee dances at the Warwick hall being promoted by Malcolm B. Smith. For the three Sundays since this series started, he's been packing 'em in, and is the Savoy Ballroom worried!

Euclid Taylor, the lawyer man, was at a brightery the other night telling how he made \$15,000 in 1935. "Operator 22" swears Taylor's check was immediately doubled... Ha! Arthur Rhodes, Panama manager, is toting a pair of bandaged mitts with 14 stitches. A guest got unruly and resorted to his knife. But this guest is now in the hospital, Rhodes, you know, weighs around 200. What crooner sat facing the door at his place of business all last Tuesday morning following reports that the estranged hubby of his gal-friend was coming that way with a gun?

Duke Ellington, who is doing one night stands out of Chicago this week after a week's engagement at the Regal, is working on a series of concerts each of which will feature the individual talents of every orchestra member... William Washington and Ernest Turner are still clicking at the Sherman House, one of the biggest loop hotels, after four months. These dancers are known as the "Two Zephyrs"... Charles McBride, the Sepia Bing Crosby, has moved to the Club DeLisa... George Evans, the radio announcer, is at Doc Huggins' Cafe de Paris as manager and omcee, having quit the Tramor. The Tramor, incidentally, took out its floor show because of after-holiday depression but will start up again soon.

Geneva Washington, the sensational singer, has left the Annex. "Operator 22" says the former Shuffle Along star wasn't getting enough cash... Marguerite Wilkins has moved into the Northside Parody Cafe. Reuben Brown has returned to the Cabin Inn as omcee... Edith Wilson, plumpish daughter of the famous Mamie Smith, broke it down warbling in impromptu fashion at a mazda mart Monday night... Valda is now twirling at the Cedar Gardens in Cleveland. George

Dewey Washington, who also left here recently, is in the "Harlem Folies Bergere" at the Hotel Bradford in Boston. It is the first time a sepiu show has occupied this spot.

The Mills Brothers, having concluded their radio series, have trekked on. They appear at the Apollo in Harlem this week. Earl J. Morris, ace Courier reporter, is tops in truckin' among members of the newspaper profesh. Some wags do say as how all members of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity qualify as charter members of the Monkey club. Louise "Jotta" Cook has also left local theatrical circles apparently to accompany hubby Herbert Mills. And Franklin Frank may always be reached at the Associated Negro Press, 3507 South Parkway, Chicago.

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