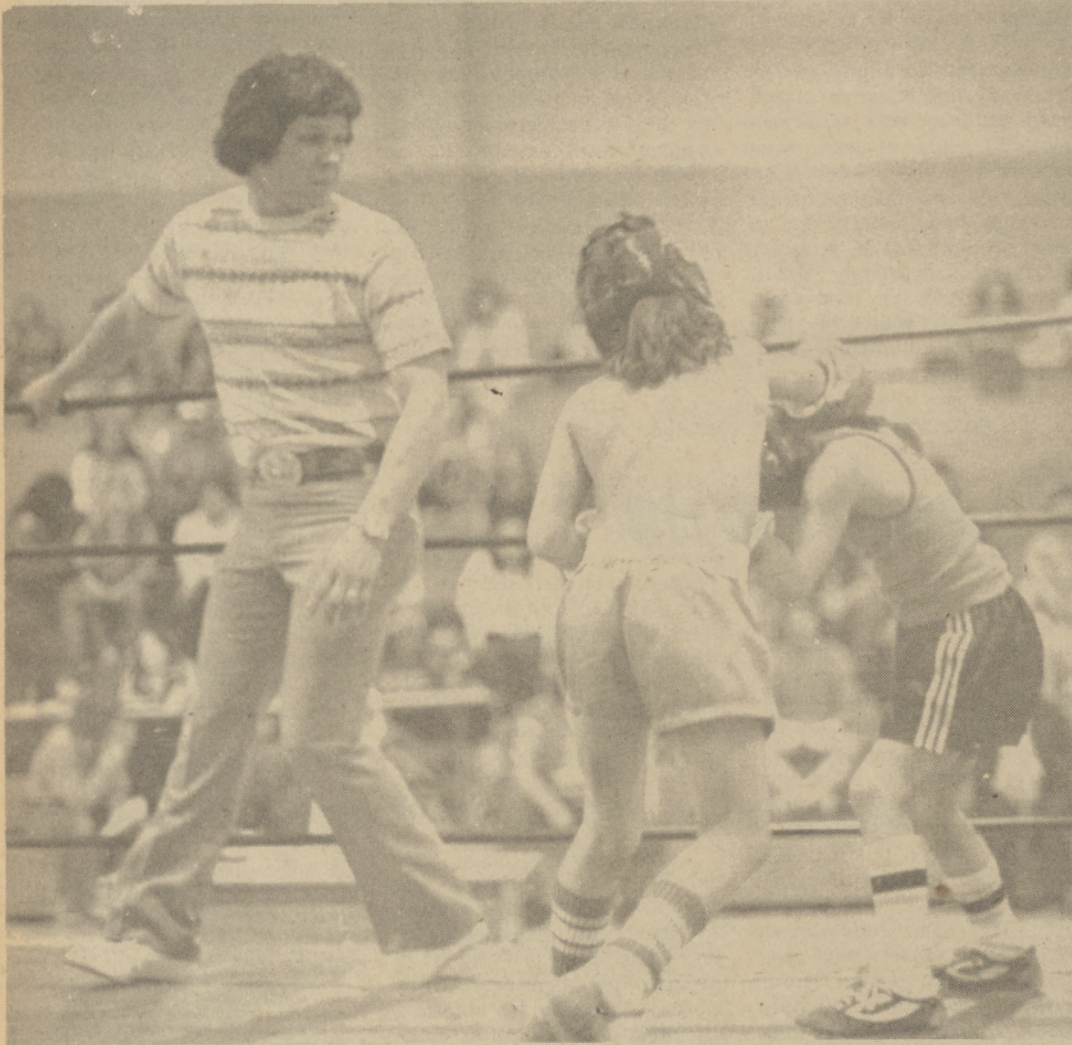




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Shown here from L. to R. are referee Alvis Smith II and contestants Andy Stacona and Thurman Tufti. Spilyay Tymoo Photo

National basketball tourney set

Famous Indian boxer featured speaker

The largest Indian youth basketball tournament will be held in Seattle April 16 and 17 at Franklin High School (3031 South Mt. Baker Blvd.).

This is the first step ever taken for organizing Indian youth basketball championships nationally. Twenty teams will be coming in from Nevada, Oregon, Idaho, Washington,

California, Minnesota and Canada.

The twenty teams are comprised of 8 girls teams ages 13 years and under; 8 boys teams ages 13 years and under and 4 pee wee boys teams ages 10 years and under.

Warm Springs is sending their two 13 and under teams to the tournament.

Miss Warm Springs makes TV appearance

Watch your TV Guide for an Easter morning show featuring Miss Warm Springs Aurolyn Stwyer and Kah-Nee-Ta Social Director Andy Lucas. They will be performing the

Lord's Prayer in Indian sign language and song for TV audiences statewide.

Taping of the performance will be Monday April 4 and the show will be aired on Channel 2 the morning of April 10.

Bravettes going to finals

A second place trophy at the NIAA Regionals March 26-27 at Lapwai earned the Bravettes a slot in the upcoming Womens Basketball Finals at Cheney, Washington April 6-9.

Eastern Washington State College Indian students are hosting the 16 team tournament. It will be held in conjunction with Indian Awareness week (April 4-10).

According to Eastern Washington's program manager, John Kalongie, other activities include a 12 team men's tournament, pow-wow, films, speakers and sports banquet.

Last year's women's champs were the Los Angeles Jax. The women's championship game will be held on Saturday, April 9.

Boys and girls games start Saturday morning April 16 at 9 a.m. Pee wee boys game begins Sunday April 17 at 10:15 a.m. Championship games for girls starts at 1 p.m. Sunday, boys at 3 p.m. and the wee boys at 2:15 p.m.

Following the championship games will be awards for 16 all stars, 18 trophies will be given out to the most valuable players, team sportsmanships and the first 4 teams of each boys, girls and pee wee teams.

Prices are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children. Activities include a drumming and singing group, the Thunderbird House Drum group who will sing and drum in-between the championship games. Guest speaker on Sunday will be Adrian Dennis, 17-year-old Hopi Indian who is rated as the number one AAU 106 lber. in the U.S. today.

He has been boxing a little over a year and was an alternate on the U.S. Olympic team last summer. He also toured with the U.S. Boxing team last October in Poland.

Native American Youth Council and the National Indian Activities Association are sponsoring the tournament in April. Both are dedicated to organizing youth activities to motivate Indian youths to stay in school.



Annette Holliday charges in with the assistance of Missy Still (left) and Sonya Bryant (right) at their first game against Metolius March 29. The sixth grade team is coached by teacher Dawn Squiemphen. Photo by Stowell

Boxing finals in Reno

Boxer Sterling Tewee will be going to the NIAA finals in Reno on April 16-17 as the result of winning one and losing one in the 16 and over regionals held in Warm Springs March 18.

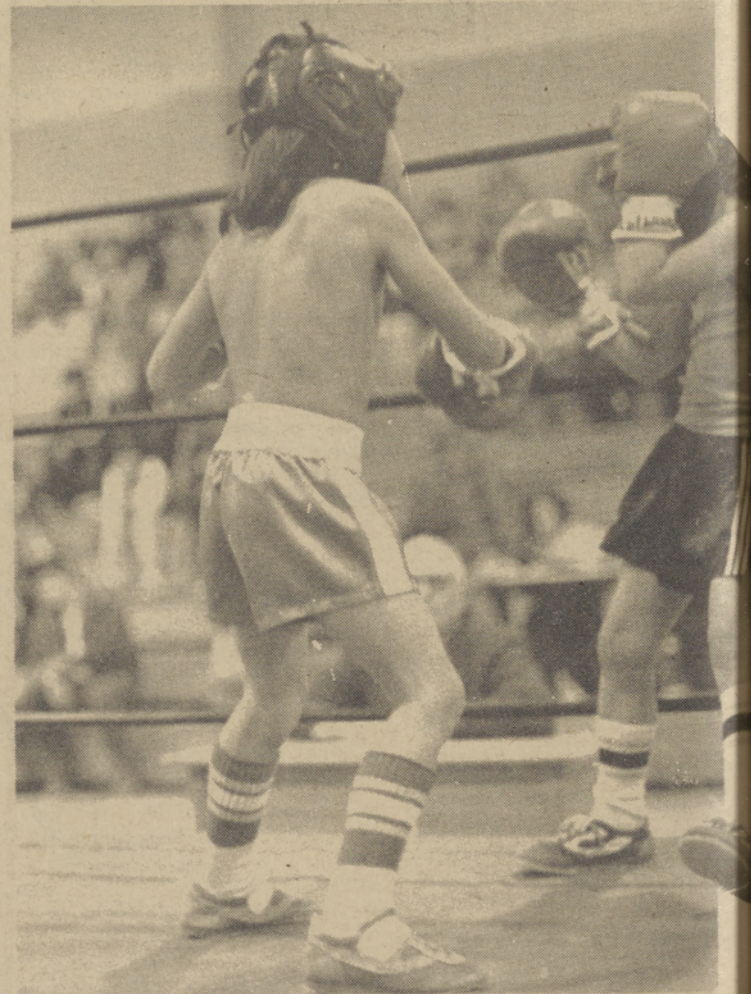
According to coach Alvis Smith, Tewee knocked one of his opponents clear out of the ring by setting him up with a right and then coming in with a quick left hook. Fancy work like this apparently earned him the spot in the Finals.

Winners in Reno will go to the AAU Nationals in Shreveport, Louisiana.

The poorly attended regionals at the Community Center were cut short because of "lack of interest on the outside," said recreation director Lyle Rhoads.

On the same weekend Coach Smith took seven boys to the Evergreen Junior Golden Gloves Tournament in Kelso, Washington where over 400 boxers competed. Tim Wanain-wit made it to the semi-finals in the open tournament.

Upcoming bouts are tentatively with Klamath April 9-10, Salem April 16 and Coquille on the 23rd.



During the championship boxing tournament for Region No. 1, Andy Stacona and Thurman Tufti really mix it up in the earlier part of the bout. However, the contest was declared a draw.

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