

Olson, Robinson Scrap Tonight in Title Bout

Chicago—(U.P.)—The tale of the tape on middleweight champion Bobo Olson and challenger Ray Robinson: Robinson

15	Neck	18
35	Age	27
160	Weight	160
5-11	Height	5-10 1/2
72 1/2	Reach	70
36 1/2	Chest normal	38
38	Chest exp.	42
28 1/2	Waist	32
19 1/4	Thigh	22
13 3/4	Calf	13 1/4
13 1/4	Biceps	14
10 1/4	Forearm	11

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Chicago — (U.P.) — Sugar Ray Robinson, making the most dramatic appearance of his remarkable career, will try to break precedent tonight and win the world middleweight title for the third time in his third fight with Carl (Bobo) Olson at Chicago Stadium.

In the same Chicago ring where he first won the 160-pound crown in 1951, Sugar Ray—now 35 years old—will try to hammer out a glorious climax to the comeback dreams that brought him out of a two-year retirement.

At his peak the slender New York Negro who formerly wore the welterweight and middleweight diadems was perhaps the greatest all-around fighter of our era; but now the big question is: "Are his legs gone?"

Has he the stamina to last the title distance of 15 rounds if necessary, against the persistently pressing champion from San Francisco, a master at close-quarter fighting?

Sugar Ray hopes he can evade answering that question by knocking out the prematurely baldish 27-year-old Bobo within seven rounds of their nationally televised and broadcast classic.

Because of the "legs question," Olson is favored at 14-5 to make a successful fourth defense of the title, although he was knocked out by Robinson (12) on Oct. 26, 1950, and outpointed by the sugar man on March 13, 1952. Their second fight was for the middleweight title.

Sugar Ray has had one exhibition and six fights since he came out of retirement in November, 1954. He was not impressive in

his fights although he won five of the six.

In his only defeat, in the second comeback fight with Ralph "Tiger" Jones, he suffered such a thorough trouncing it seemed he might be stopped.

Olson has improved much since his earlier fights with Robinson; but many boxing men believe the Hawaiian-born champion already has started to fade.

SPORTS

A-2 Status Of Glendale Determined

Glendale high school will be a permanent member of the southern division of District 6 A-2 for athletic competition beginning next fall. It was announced following a district meeting Wednesday at Myrtle Creek.

In other developments at the session Henley reported that it would try for A-2 honors in football. Brookings said that it would field a football team and district play-off plans were outlined for basketball, baseball and track. It was also reported that Glendale will rise from Class B into northern division A-2 ranks next fall.

Glendale was in the southern subdistrict for football and will compete with the south schools in track this spring but will be in the north sector this year for basketball and baseball.

Brookings Starts Football
Henley and Brookings are members of the southern division. The Hornets have not tried for district football honors in A-2 but have had an independent schedule for some three years. Brookings has not played football in recent seasons.

Basketball district play-off in March will be a two out of three series. First game will be on the north winner's floor and the second on south team's court. The two clubs will determine the site if a third game is necessary. A tournament will decide the south subdistrict toga.

A one-game play-off on the south victor's field will determine the district baseball champ and the club which will tackle the District 5 winner in regionals. Each subdistrict will have its own track meet with the three winners in each event to qualify for the district engagements. Ed Knapp, Crater high coach, was named to supervise the meet. Southern Oregon college oval will be sought as the site.

Bob Watson To Address Lions Dinner

Bob Watson, ex-Medford high athletic great, will address a Medford Lions club dinner on Wednesday evening, December 14, at the Jackson hotel.

The dinner will honor Medford high senior football players, members of the coaching staff and the yell squad. Set for 6:30 p.m., the dinner is open to the public. Those planning to attend are to make reservations by telephoning the hotel or by contacting Alan Jewett, Lions' program chairman.

Watson is backfield coach of the Oregon State college grid club. He was a back on Medford high's great teams of 1944 and 1945. In basketball, playing for the Black Tornado, Watson was named to the all-state first team in 1946 after being chosen to the second team the year before.

A player sought after by colleges he picked University of California at Los Angeles. He was graduated from that school in 1951 following a varsity gridiron career. After finishing school, he assisted with UCLA spring practice when free from his duties as a mortgage loan officer for a logging firm. Watson was named to his present post last spring.

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F. Patterson Stops Slade; Eyes Rocky

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — Young Floyd Patterson's manager served notice today: "Rocky Marciano is the fellow we're after."

The 20-year-old Brooklyn battler last night brushed aside "spoiler" Jimmy Slade of New York, to become the fighter most likely to have a June shot at the heavyweight crown.

Patterson, a 7-1 favorite, scored a seventh round technical knockout at Olympic stadium when the referee decided Slade, who had been floored for a nine-count in the fifth and received a cut over his left eye in the third, wasn't putting up enough competition.

Ready Next Year

"We'll continue to get him as many fights as possible, with the ultimate objective Marciano," Patterson's manager, Gus D'Amato, said. "I'd say he'd be ready by next year — an open-air show next summer, Marciano is the fellow we're after."

The scheduled 10-rounder was considered almost no contest from the beginning, with Slade offering little competition and the fans booing from the second round.

Patterson shook Slade with a right to the head in the fifth. The jolt bounced Slade back off the ropes smack into another hard right that put him down.

Prospect Keeps MIBL Top Spot; Rosters Wanted

Prospect was the only undefeated club in the Medford Independent Basketball league after two weeks of play.

The crew from the Upper Rogue area chalked up one win this week to run its victory string to three.

YMCA pushed into second place with a three and one record, a half game ahead of Phoenix. It was the Y which booted Phoenix off the unmarried list. Tied for fourth are Company A of the National Guard and Hawkinson Tire Tread.

Hawkinson's thumped Moose lodge on Wednesday. The score, not previously listed, was 62 to 20.

Secretary Don Mintz has instructed all team managers to have their rosters in to him by next Wednesday, December 14. His address is 616 West Jackson st.

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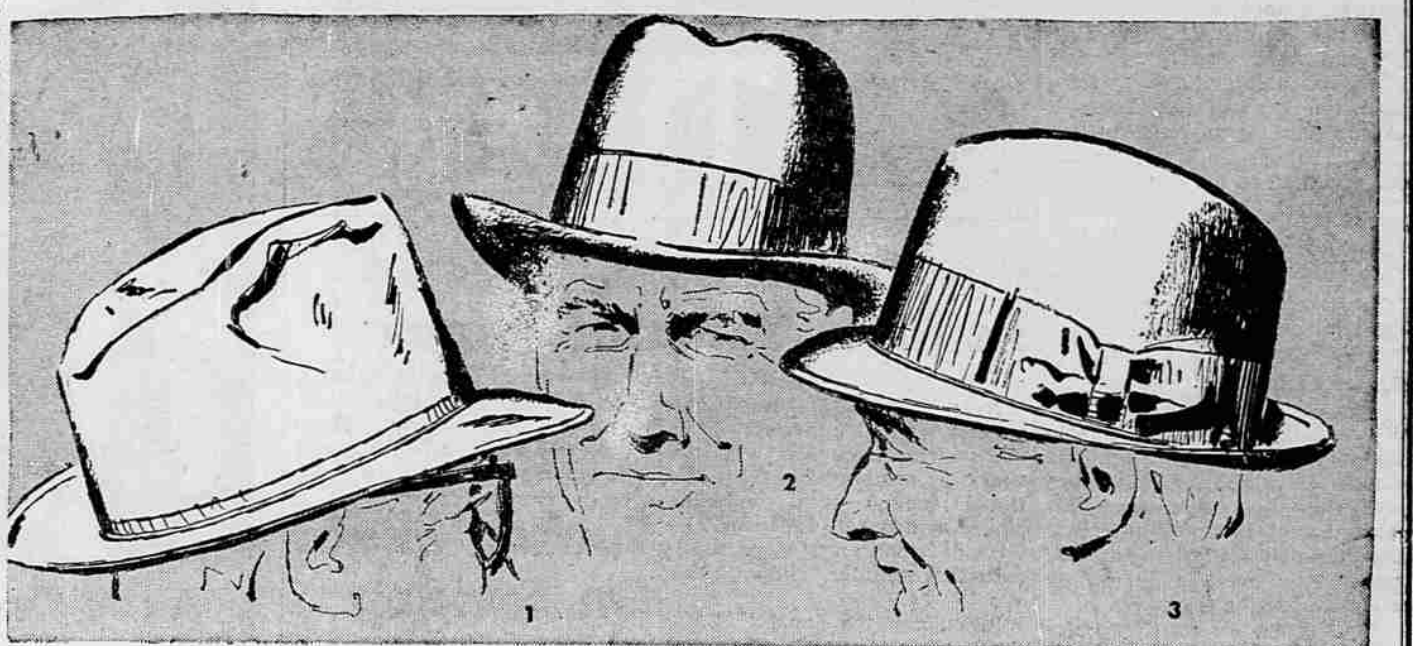
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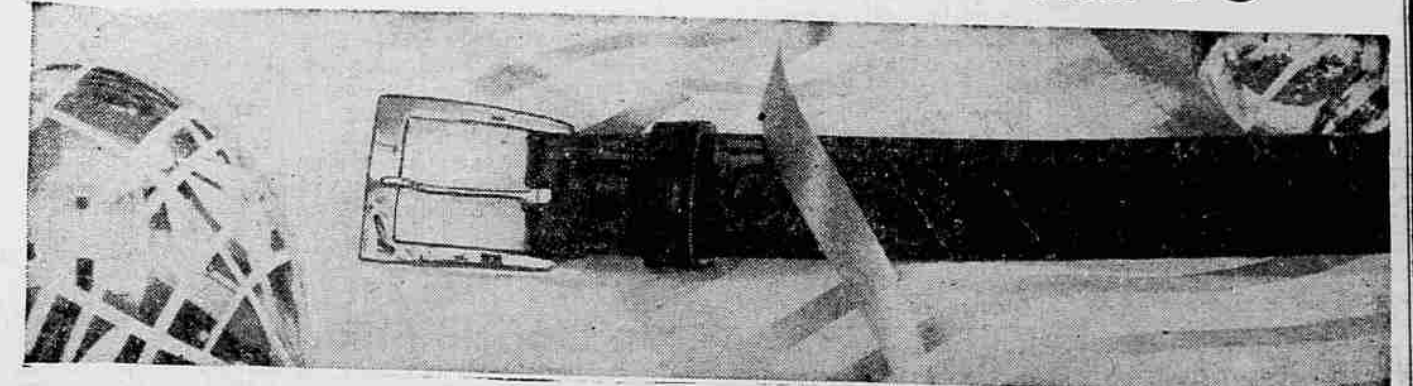
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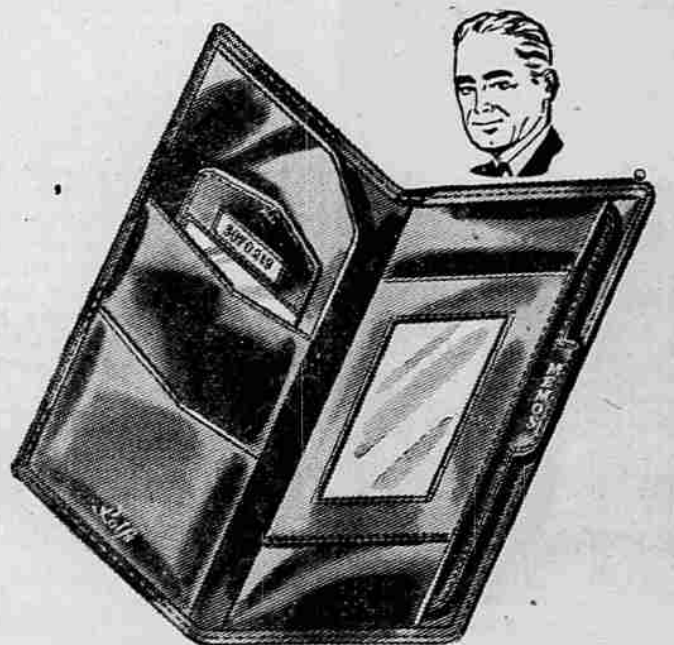
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