

### Floyd Seeks To Prove His Worth

EDITOR'S NOTE: Cus D'Amato, the manager of world heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson, believes Thursday's bout against Johansson will open the eyes of folks who have "underrated" Patterson. In the following dispatch, he tells why he thinks this fight will see Patterson start to establish himself "as a great fighting champion."

By CUS D'AMATO  
Manager, World Heavyweight Champion Floyd Patterson (Written For UPI)

Chatham, N.J. — It would be foolish to single out one of a fighter's bouts as more important than another, and yet Floyd Patterson and I both feel that Thursday night's fight with Ingemar Johansson is just about the most important of his career.

Floyd is a sensitive boy, and naturally he is disturbed by some of the things that have been said about him. He wants to set the record straight — to prove that he is a worthy champion — and a first rate opponent like Johansson should give him the chance.

I cannot stress enough how loyal Floyd has been to me. He has understood the objectives of my fight against the International Boxing Club, and he has cheerfully sacrificed popularity and to some degree financial reward to help me in that battle. Now we can begin to be more active, and I hope that the Johansson bout will be only the beginning of an era in which Patterson will establish himself as a great fighting champion.

**Ranked Contenders**  
Of course, I don't go along by any means with all those who keep saying Floyd has fought only so-called "bums." Every one of his title bout opponents, with the exception of Pete Rademacher, was ranked among the top four contenders.

If they have been disappointing against Floyd, it certainly is not his fault. He is ready to meet the best — the toughest the better.

Everyone has been impressed by he way Patterson has looked in training for the Johansson fight. I think he has matured physically to a great extent. He is stronger without having sacrificed any of his speed or agility.

The result has been more training camp knockdowns than he ever has had before, and the way he worked over some of those bigger men who were acting as his sparring partners convinces me that he will have nothing to fear from the 15 pounds or so he'll have to give away to Johansson.

**Can Floyd Take Right**  
The big question, of course, is whether Floyd can take Johansson's powerful right hand. In a sense that is putting the cart before the horse, because one might say that first Johansson has to hit Floyd — and then we'll start worrying about Patterson's reaction. He has met some good hitters in the past but none of them have had him

## Patterson, Johansson Break Camps, Head for New York For Thursday Title Scrap

A sellout crowd will see the Floyd Patterson-Ingemar Johansson heavyweight title boxing bout Thursday night in the Craterian theatre screen. Theatre seats were reported sold out Tuesday for the closed circuit television showing. Doors at the Craterian open at 5 p.m. and the fight starts at 6:30 p.m.

By JACK CULLY  
United Press International  
New York — (UPI) — Champion Floyd Patterson and Swedish Ingemar Johansson broke camp today and came to New York for their world heavy-

weight title fight Thursday night — with Patterson now favored at 4-1.

Because of the early weigh-in Thursday, both fighters decided to spend Wednesday night in the city.

Heavy support for champion Patterson caused the odds to jump from 7-2 to 4-1. A few "sportsmen" quoted longer prices and the odds were indications Floyd would go into the ring at 5-1 or 6-1.

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New York — (UPI) — They were saying it couldn't be done long before the doctors gave up smoking so this corner has to go for the 4 to 1 price and pick Ingemar Johansson to make smorgasbord of Floyd Patterson inside 10 rounds at Yankee Stadium on Thursday night.

Call the men in the white coats, if you will. And point out that Ingo hasn't as much as smashed an egg with his siege gun right hand in training.

But you don't have to go back to David and Goliath, or even as far as Eddie Arca, to prove that the favorite isn't always in the picture and every underdog has his day.

They chuckled at another foreign bloke named Max Schmeling a few years back when he was being reelected as a sacrifice to young Joe Louis. One cartoonist depicted "Herr Mox" as a man going to the electric chair, and when the fight was delayed by rain, showed Schmeling as a man reprieved.

"I see something," Schmeling said stoically.  
Louis had won 27 in a row, 23 by knockout. Schmeling was 5 to 1 to become numbers 28 and 24 respectively. But he had indeed seen "something." To the consternation of the chalk players, young Joe was flattened in the 12th heat.

So much for odds and favoritism.  
Which brings us to the matter of firepower. There are pugilists who can "take you

in any serious trouble.  
One thing is certain though. Floyd certainly can't afford to get careless against an opponent as dangerous as Johansson. He'll have to be alert and thinking all the time. I think it is important that Patterson was able to have that bout with Brian London at the beginning of May. It was just what he needed to sharpen him up for a fighter of Johansson's caliber.

I believe his performance Thursday night will be a real eye-opener for all those people who have underrated him so badly.

out" with one punch and there are those who have to belabor an opponent as if they were beating a rug before the target goes horizontal. Floyd Patterson is one of the latter. He does not have the one-shot opiate of a Dempsey or a Marciano.

**Behind When . . . Boom**  
The "Rock" was blowing the title to old Jersey Joe Walcott the night he went after the heavyweight hat. Then he launched one from right field, clipped old Joe on the kisser, and while he hit him a few more shots on the way down, Jersey on that one boffo had been launched all the way back to his native South Jersey.

Louis was to feel that fire power too. Of the fight against Marciano in which Joe reached the end of the road, Louis recalled:

"It was like a guy beatin' you with a lead pipe. No matter where he hit me, it raised welts."

Marciano's tactics consisted merely of swinging both hands until there was nothing left standing but the referee. When he finally beat down the other man's arms and got a shot at the chin you could go collect all your wagers.

Yet even the Rock dropped when he caught it on the button, as he did before he rallied to beat ancient Archie Moore.

So there is a theory here that Patterson, who has been floored by such inept mechanics as Pete Rademacher and Roy Harris, could wind up extremely uncomfortable sleeping without a pillow on Thursday night. Because from the manner in which Ingo destroyed Eddie Machen, there can be no doubt about his punching ability even if he has preferred to give that right hand a rest in training.

After all, Tommy Farr looked like the world's biggest boxing bum in training, but Louis had to go all out to get the decision. Jimmy Braddock was a 1 to 10 underdog against Max Baer when he won the title. Ezzard Charles was a 6 to 1 favorite the night Walcott knocked him out and Louis was 10 to 1 when he took a split decision from Walcott in the biggest holdup since The Great Train Robbery.

Price means nothing. Punch means everything. Getting old Fearless to pick Johansson may be the greatest psychological boost Patterson could get but being right hand happy, Ingo's my man.

**ISN'T THAT RIDICULOUS**  
Anamosa, Iowa — (UPI) — Friday and Saturday have been designated "ridiculous days" in Anamosa. The Chamber of Commerce, which named them, said they'll be devoted to "ridiculous" bargains in all stores.

**League Leaders**  
United Press International  
NATIONAL LEAGUE  
Player & Club G AB R H Pct.  
Aaron, Milw. . . 67 277 51 108 380  
White, St. L. . . 60 242 41 81 335  
Cepeda, S.F. . . 68 272 48 91 335  
Moon, L.A. . . 60 219 39 73 333  
Tuzple, Cin. . . 67 265 47 88 332

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**  
Kuenn, Det. . . 59 235 37 85 362  
Kaline, Det. . . 61 239 37 84 351  
Rumada, Bos. . . 62 242 41 81 335  
Woodly, Balt. . . 60 190 24 62 326  
Fox, Chi. . . 65 266 36 86 323

**Runs Batted In**  
National league — Banks, Cubs 67; Aaron, Braves 63; Robinson, Reds 59; Cepeda, Giants 57; Finson, Reds 51.  
American league — Killebrew, Senators 53; Skovron, Yankees 52; Colavito, Indians 47; Allison, Senators 47; Jensen, Red Sox 47.

**Home Runs**  
National league — Matthews, Braves 22; Banks, Cubs 19; Aaron, Braves 19; Robinson, Reds 16; Cepeda, Giants 15.  
American league — Killebrew, Senators 24; Colavito, Indians 22; Mante, Yankees 18; Moss, Tigers 17; Lemon, Senators 17.

**Pitching**  
National league — Face, Pirates 11-0; Mizell, Cardinals 9-3; Antonelli, Giants 12-4; Burdette, Braves 11-5; Newcombe, Reds 8-4; Law, Pirates 8-4.  
American league — Larsen, Yankees 6-1; Wilhelm, Orioles 9-2; Lacy, Tigers 8-3; Moss, Tigers; Shaw, White Sox and Grant, Indians all 5-2.

## SPORTS

### Don Megale Entered in Net Tussle

Entries of six of the top men and women players from California and Oregon already are in the hands of Rogue Valley Tennis tournament committee.

The tournament is set for Saturday and Sunday, June 27 and 28 at the Southern Oregon college courts in Ashland. Among those signed is Don Megale, Corvallis, runner-up in men's singles in the Redding Calif., meet last week end. Megale will be the favorite in singles in the local tournament. He ranked high in the Pacific northwest while on the Oregon State college varsity. He is now a tennis coach at OSC. He was basketball and tennis coach at Klamath Union high.

Others are Jim Jackson, Portland; Bud McCoy, Sacramento, Calif.; Earl Brooks and Denny Todd, Klamath Falls, and Mrs. Kay O'Bryan, Redding.

Jackson 4th In Area  
Jackson is known for exceptional play at OSC last year. During the summer of 1958 he played in northwest tourneys and gained the rank of fourth best in the area. McCoy is Jackson's doubles partner and is strong also in singles.

Brooks is an older player who has scored wins over both Megale and Jackson in recent years. Todd teams with Megale to make one of the strongest doubles combination entered. He had a good record as OSC's No. 2 player this spring.

Mrs. O'Bryan is a several times winner of the women's singles at Redding. She has been a winner in numerous mixed doubles competitions in northern California. She will team with Jackson in the Ashland tourney and the two some will be among the favorites.

Mrs. Brooks is entered in singles and mixed doubles. A girl who was runner-up in women's singles and mixed doubles at Redding is expected to have her entry in by Thursday's deadline.

Persons wishing to enter the Rogue Valley meet may telephone Dick Joy, Ashland, tournament chairman. His number is MURdock 9-7731. Rivalry will be in junior men's singles and boys' singles as well as men's and women's singles and men's and mixed doubles.

**SIGN BONUS PITCHER**  
Cincinnati, Ohio — (UPI) — Larry Duval, a 19-year-old pitcher from Luray, Va., has signed a "very high" bonus contract with the Cincinnati Reds. The youngster, who tossed three no-hitters in high school, will be assigned to Nashville of the Southern Assn.

**SWIMMERS SCATTER**  
Miami Beach, Fla. — (UPI) — A 12-foot shark chasing a school of tarpon in shallow water sent bathers scurrying for shore here Monday. Lifeguards warned the swimmers as the shark went over a sand bar after the tarpon within sight of several resort hotels.

Ordinary windows of glass screen out most of the sun's ultraviolet rays.

**Seeded Netters NCAA Winners**  
Evanston, Ill. — (UPI) — Eight seeded netmen in the National Collegiate Tennis championship moved closer to a showdown today in the fourth round of play.

All eight scored convincing victories Tuesday, and only one — Jon Erickson — was extended into three sets.

Top-seeded Whitney Reed of San Jose State got off to a slow start but rallied to whip Bill Hinkle of Texas, 10-8, 6-0. Hinkle held a 5-3 margin in the first set before Reed hit his stride.

Second-seeded Don Dell of Yale, Reed's chief rival for the singles crown, also advanced by whipping fellow Ivy Leaguer, Bob Bowditch of Harvard, 6-1, 6-1.

Ron Holmberg defeated Harry Doyle of Washington, 6-1, 6-1, while fourth-ranked Jerry Moss of Miami scored a 6-2, 6-1 victory over Dick Keeton of Texas.

Ned Neely of Georgia Tech also moved into the fourth round by defeating Bob Hill of San Jose State, 6-1, 6-1, while Max Brown of Notre Dame, ranked eighth, scored a 6-0, 6-2 win over Neil Drury of Texas. Tulane's Crawford Henry downed Jack Kennedy of New Mexico, 6-2, 6-1.

## Pam Stacey Medalist, Takes 1st Match in OGA Junior Golf

Girls medalist Pam Stacey, Medford, won her first round match Tuesday in the Oregon Golf association junior tournament at Riverside club in Portland.

She defeated Gretchen Helldeman, Oswego, 3 and 1. Another southern Oregon entrant, Treasure Sullivan, Ashland, won 6 and 4 from Margaret O'Dea, Medford.

Miss Stacey took medalist laurels in Monday qualifying with 43-38, six over par. Miss Sullivan qualified for the championship flight with a 91.

In the boy's championship Chuck Allen, Medford (82) lost to Fred Taylor, Riverside, 6 and 5.

Results for other Medford entries yesterday and their qualifying scores were:

In the boy's division Doug Olson (86) downed Gary Snelgrove, Coos Bay, 3 and 1 in second flight; Larry Berg (90) lost to John Lindstrom, Prineville 1 down in fourth flight; Rich Knight (90) beat Ray Heysell (91) 4 and 3 in sixth flight; Tom Clark (100) won from Tom Tongue, Forest Hills, 5 and 4, in the 12th flight.

In the pee wee class Rodger Berg (71) lost to Tom Good, Klamath Falls, in the fourth flight; Kent Clark (58) lost to John McCullough, Salem, 4 and 3 in the championship flight.

Portland — (UPI) — Dennis Soran of Klamath Falls defeated medalist Daryl Winn of Eugene on the 18th hole Tuesday in the first match-play round of the Oregon State Junior Golf tournament at Riverside Golf and Country club.

David Munro of Beaverton lost to Dick Wagner 2 and 1 in an upset. Munro was a pre-tourney favorite. Munro plays for Waverly and Wagner is from Riverside.

John Nelson of Rose City captured a 2 and 1 win over Dennis Rice of Anderbrook in boys' action.

Mike Kolb from Salem registered an upset 2 and 1 win over Jay Gorman of Waverly in boys' competition.

Pee Wee medalist Charlie Milne of Salem captured a win over Bill LeFors from Pineway of Lebanon on the 10th hole at Columbia Edge-water.

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## 240 Enroll In Baseball School Here

Medford city and school district recreation programs got into full stride yesterday with the opening of the pee wee baseball slates.

A total of 240 boys signed up for the baseball school at the senior high diamond on Monday the first day of the program. They were divided into three groups — 113 in the Sandblowers, for ages 9 and 10; 93 in the Peewees, for ages 11 and 12; 40 in the intermediates and Cubs for ages 13 and up.

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## Tillamook Boys Walk To Safety

Tillamook — (UPI) — Two 14-year-old Tillamook boys walked to safety this morning after being lost overnight in the Sutton creek area about three miles south of here. They had been the object of a night-long search.

The two, Tyrone Pickens and Wally Wagner, walked out about 6:30 a.m. today — cold, tired, hungry, but unhurt.

The boys told searchers they built a fire when darkness fell and then crawled into a hollow log to sleep. When they awoke this morning they walked to the Sutton creek road where they were met by State Police Officer Dwayne Lowry and Tillamook County Deputy Sheriff Del Walpole.

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