

# Older Boxers Hold Highest Of NBA Rates

**Ray Robinson Has Blanketed Field In Welterweight**

WASHINGTON, March 26 (AP)—Fighting has turned into a nice business for the old folks, and the National Boxing Association doesn't like it.

The NBA came out with its quarterly ratings today. With the ratings came this complaint from President Abe J. Greene:

"Too many youngsters are in and out of our ratings. They're flashes in the pan, while relative oldsters like Joe Louis, Jersey Joe Walcott, Gus Lesnevich, Tony Zale, Manuel Ortiz, Dave Young and Dado Marino hold top spots and an old timer like Lee Savold pulls a comeback."

A glance at the ratings shows what Greene means. Louis is 33, Walcott, his only logical contender, is 34.

Three other champions—Light Heavyweight Lesnevich, Bantamweight Ortiz and Flyweight Rinty Monaghan—are over 30.

Commented Col. Harvey L. Miller, executive secretary for the NBA: "A most unusual situation."

The ratings:

**Heavyweight:** Champion—Joe Louis. Logical contender, Walcott. Outstanding boxers—Elmer Ray, Joe Maxim, Tommy Gomez, Joe Bakst.

**Lightheavy:** Champion—Gus Lesnevich. Logical contender—Ezzard Charles. Outstanding boxers—Bob Fokworth, Billy Fox, Archie Moore and Tommy Yareo.

**Middleweight:** Champion—Rocky Graziano. Logical contenders—Marcel Cerdan, Tony Zale. Outstanding boxers—Steve Bellosse, Dave Bands, Bert Lytell.

**Welterweight:** Champion—Ray Robinson. Logical contender—none. Outstanding boxers—Bernard Docusen, Gene Burton, Kid Cavilan, Frankie Fernandez, Ralph Zanello, Buster Tyler, Tommy Bell, Beau Jack, Johnny Greco and Tony Pelone.

**Lightweight:** Champion—Eke Williams. Logical contenders—Erique Bolanos, Freddie Dawson, Rudy Cruz.

**Featherweight:** Champion—Willie Pep. Logical contenders—Joe Sandy Saddler, Charles Riley, Carlos Chavez.

**Bantamweight:** Champion—Manuel Ortiz. Logical contenders—Dave Young, Guido Ferracin, Peter Kane, Louis Ghivani.

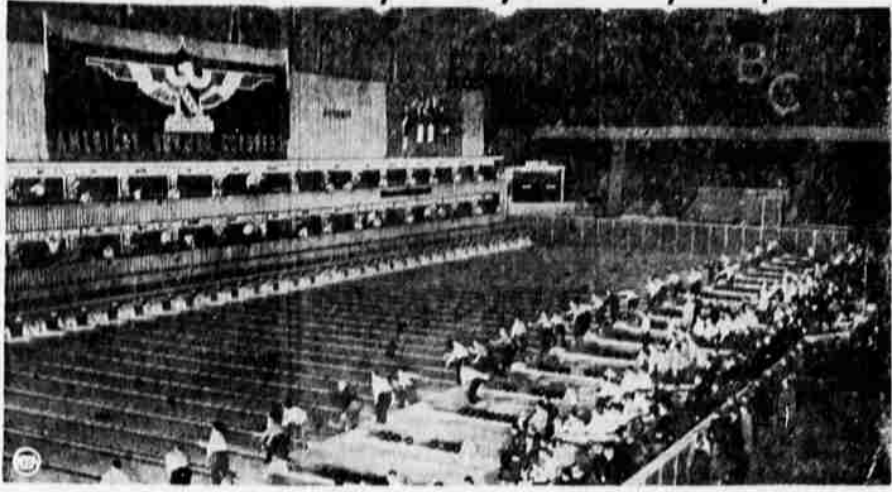
**Flyweight:** Champion—Rinty Monaghan. Logical contenders—Dado Marino, Monito Flores, Jackie Paterson, Dicky O'Sullivan.

**Bevos Farm Out Dozen Players**

RIVERSIDE, Calif., March 26 (AP)—Twelve players, including six pitchers, are being sent by the Portland Beavers to their Western International league farm club, Salem.

The dozen include Pitchers Daryl Ellason, Hank Anderson, Gene Peterson, Tony Kikura, Bob Sporer and Bob Stevenson; Catchers Paul Halter and Ralph Molder; Second Basemen Al Spaeter and Mel Nunes; First Baseman Jim Wirt; and Outfielder Bob Cherry.

# Strikes On Every Alley --- They Hope



This picture shows the 40th annual tournament of the American Bowling congress in full swing at Detroit. Running for 80 days, the tournament will play host to 7345 teams and award \$250,000 in prizes. Reglers from all over the country are competing.

# Entrants For Trials Come Pouring Across

Entries for the Pacific Coast licensed field trial to be held here April 10 and 11 are pouring in. Hal Shidder, president of the Shasta Cascade Retriever club reports and some of the best dogs in the Northwest will be on hand for the running.

# Let Milt Handle It

TACOMA, March 26 (AP)—The Rev. Milton Nevig has had these duties at Pacific Lutheran college: Director of the news bureau; director of the Alumni association; journalism instructor; freshman composition instructor; adviser of the student newspaper; veteran's counselor; choir manager; and manager of the student union building. On week-ends he preaches at two churches in the Gig Harbor area.

# Pete Kmetovic Awarded Post

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., March 26 (AP)—Appointment of Peter O. Kmetovic, former Stanford university and professional backfield ace, as football coach of San Bernardino Valley college for the 1948 season was announced today by President John L. Lounsbury.

Kmetovic, who went to Stanford from San Jose, Calif., high school, played left halfback for Coach Clark Shaughnessy at Palo Alto in 1930-42-41. He was on the 1941 Stanford team that won 10 straight games, then beat Nebraska 21-13 in the Rose Bowl.

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# STOJACK NOT STAKING TITLE WITH DUSETTE

Frankie Stojack, who still holds his Pacific Coast junior heavyweight wrestling title by virtue of a recent win over Challenger Frankie Hart, fights for the exercise here tonight.

Stojack is matched with strongman Georges Dusette for the primary main event, a five-round bout in which the Tacoma belter will not be putting his title at stake. Dusette would like to try at the crown and may get it later if—in the peculiar hierarchy of grappling—he qualifies.

If he can upset Stojack tonight, he will be considered qualified. It so happens that Dusette held the coast junior championship once upon a time, long before Stojack ever entered the field.

Hart, who lost his chance a few days ago, is in tonight's opening bout, starting at 8:30. He is paired off with Joe Dorsetti in a four-rounder.

Also scheduled for four stanzas is the semi-windup, matching Joe Lynam against Buck Lipscomb. That has the earmarks of a rough and interesting duel, with Lynam being favored to take the wily Lipscomb into tow.

# High School Gals In Splash Meet

PORTLAND, March 26 (AP)—Oregon high school girls will hold their first state swimming meet here Saturday.

Schools entered include West Linn, McMinnville, Beaverton, Albany, Corvallis, Forest Grove, Jefferson and seven Portland high schools. One entry per contest is allowed each school.

# Jap Identifies Sister's Slayer

YOKOHAMA, March 26 (AP)—An 11-year-old Japanese schoolboy today identified Pvt. Stratman Armistead of Thomasville, Ala., as the negro soldier who beat to death the boy's little sister October 26.

Takehisa Yamamoto, testifying at Armistead's courtmartial on charges of slaying four Japanese near Yokohama, unhesitatingly pointed out the defendant. The boy said Armistead bashed in the skull of eight-year-old Masae Yamamoto with a hammer and struck his mother and him.

The others Armistead is accused of slaying were members of another family.

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YAKIMA, March 26 (AP)—Heavy and anti-tank artillery will open second infantry division field maneuvers early in April at the East Selah firing range, division officers said today.

The maneuvers will reach a peak during May.

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