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playoffs it will be a pleasant surprise. With Dick ineligible and taking into consideration the caliber of the other teams involved, we seriously doubt whether NSU can make it. From here, it looks like Seattle Pacific, playing on familiar boards, getting the trip to Evansville, Ind., for the national tournament, with California Collegiate Athletic Assn. champ Fresno State having the best chance to upset the host club. Far Western Conference co-champs San Francisco State and Chico State played off Tuesday night for the other berth in the regional.

But regardless of how the Rebels fare in the northwest, we're mighty proud of them all! And we'll be rooting hard for them to make us "look bad" as we listen to their games on KLAV radio.

Eddie Could Upset Ernie

DON'T BE SURPRISED if Eddie Machen crosses up the smart money by licking Ernie Terrell in their 15-round bout for the World Boxing Association heavyweight title tomorrow night in Chicago.

As this is written, Terrell was being quoted a 7-5 favorite over his west coast opponent. But despite the fact that Machen has disappointed us on several occasions during the past couple of years, we have a hunch that Eddie can take Ernie.

Bill Miller is showing the fight on closed circuit TV at the Hacienda Hotel at six bucks a pop. If the fight measures up to the recent Floyd Patterson-George Chuvalo scrap, those on hand will get their money's worth. Doors to the Hacienda show room will be opened at 6:30 p.m., with the fight scheduled to start between 7 and 7:30.

Incidentally, Jim Deskin, a vice president of the WBA, will be at ringside in Chicago tomorrow night and also is scheduled to sit in on the three-day meeting of the WBA executive committee ending Sunday. Jim intends to ask for a workshop session during the conferences to discuss possible guidelines for referees and judges in scoring fights. Something along this line is long overdue. The wide variance in scoring important fights is becoming a scandal.

Take the above-mentioned Patterson-Chuvalo fight, for instance. Judge Joe Armstrong had Patterson a handy winner, 8 rounds to 4, and judge Tony Castellano agreed, 7 to 5. But referee Zach Clayton's card almost came out a draw, with 6 rounds to Patterson, 5 to Chuvalo and one even. To further complicate matters, the United Press-International reporter at ringside did have it even, 5-5-2 and the Associated Press man saw Chuvalo the winner by one round!

Actually, the disparity in scoring this fight wasn't nearly as bad as some we have noted recently. We forget just who was involved, but



REBS' "RUSSELL"--Although Silas Stepp of Nevada Southern would be last to compare himself with Bill Russell of world pro champ Boston Celtics (see photo page 9), high-scoring Rebel center's "Russell-type" defensive work proved important factor in highly successful 21-6 season that earned local team berth in Pacific Coast NCAA small college playoffs at Seattle this weekend. In above photo, Big Sy leaps high to gather in rebound during NSU's 100-84 victory over Los Angeles State here several weeks ago that started Rebs on trip to Seattle. NSU clinched spot in playoffs last weekend by dumping Cal Poly, 61-56. (See "Sports Roundup" page 9.)

there was a fight not so long ago in which one judge had the loser ahead by five points in a 10-rounder. The other judge gave it to his opponent by one and the referee went along by three!

It seems obvious that one or more of these officials shouldn't have been.

Roy Martin Real Champ

BEFORE WRAPPING THIS UP, we'd like to point out that the Roy Martin Junior High basketball team which we featured in last week's issue as a runnerup for the county championship following a two-point loss to Robert O. Gibson Junior High in the post-season tournament, actually is a CHAMPION in its own right.

Royce Feour of the Las Vegas Sun sports staff called our attention to the fact that Roy Martin actually won the city league title, with Robert O. Gibson the RUNNERUP, despite the fact they split their two regular season games, each winning one. It seems that Robert O. Gibson lost one more league game than Roy Martin.

We are only too happy to set the record straight. And we are equally happy to note that Coach Frank Nails, assistant Ulysses Winfrey and their talented charges proved they are REAL champions by refraining from calling a "foul" on the VOICE.

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