

Archie Moore NCCJ "Brotherhood" Honoree

Archie Moore, former world light heavyweight champion, and Director of Project ABC, a nationally known Youth Work endeavor which he originated, will be the speaker at the 1968 National Brotherhood Week Dinner of the Clark County Chapter, National Conference of Christians and Jews, Inc., on Wednesday, February 21st, 7:30 p.m. in the Show Room of the Hacienda Hotel, it was announced today by Herbert Stout, NCCJ Chairman, and Wing Fong, Dinner Chairman.

Moore held the world light heavyweight championship for 10 years and retired undefeated in 1962. He holds the world's record of knockouts, with 136 to his credit. This record will probably stand for all time. It would take a boxer 11 years at one fight per month and a perfect record, of knockouts, to come near it. "The Mongoose", as he was called, fought longer than any other boxer, and retired just short of 30 years in the ring. Moore admits to being "past 36" when he won the world championship title. He doesn't know how many fights he has had, as he "only counts knockouts." The Yvon Durrelle fight in 1958, his 128th knockout, terminated the 33-year knockout record of W. B. Striblin.

Adopted as a baby by an aunt and uncle, he made up his mind to be a champion at the age of seven. He fought his first fight under a gas lamp on a St. Louis street corner and knocked out a two-time Golden Gloves champion. Three months of training at the YMCA prepared him for his first recognized amateur match and he has since fought all over the world, before crowned heads of Europe, before 70,000 people in Yankee stadium, and he has drawn gates of untold millions.

HE DEVELOPED his ABC Youth Program (Any Boy Can), for boys from 8 to 15, and put it into operation in Jamaica in 1964 and demonstrated it for the government of British Guinea in March of this year. It teaches self defense and a basic moral concept of clean living.

Archie Moore does not drink or smoke. He has written several books, one of the best known a book on his "secret diet." He also writes jazz columns, for various newspapers, as a result of his association with the early jazz greats whom he hired for his training camps. He originally wanted to be a musician.

Moore is now serving in a public relations capacity for American Savings, teaching his ABC Program to help the boys and to control vandalism in houses owned by the company through a positive program. The success of his program has been proven in Vallejo, where he has already cut prolific and costly vandalism from several thousand dollars a month to almost none at all.

Reservations for the Dinner may be made through the NCCJ office, 2140 Paradise Road; call 735-4047.

The Clark County NCCJ is a participating agency of the United Fund.

Foreign Service Officers

Three Negroes and one Puerto Rican were sworn into the 82nd Class of the Foreign Service in the Department of State on January 5, 1968. The new junior officers are:

MISS SYLVIA STANFIELD OF DALLAS, TEXAS, a 1965 graduate of Western College for Women, Oxford, Ohio. Miss Stanfield received her Master's Degree in Asian Studies from the University of Hawaii and also studied the Chinese Language for eight months at the University of Hong Kong. Just prior to her appointment, Miss Stanfield worked for several months in the Civil Rights Documentation Project which is funded by the Ford Foundation.

JOSE VILLALON OF AQUADILLA, PUERTO RICO, a 1963 honor graduate of the University of Puerto Rico in San Juan. After travelling for several months in Europe under a University sponsored program, Mr. Villalon entered the University of Puerto Rico School of Law in August, 1963 where he majored in International Law. He received his law degree in May, 1966 and was admitted to the bar in Puerto Rico in the spring of 1967. Mr. Villalon had also completed work toward a Master's Degree in Public Administration when he accepted a summer internship in the Department of State last July.

JAMES E. WALKER OF ROOSEVELT, NEW YORK, a 1965 graduate of Fisk University. Mr. Walker received his Master's Degree in Inter-

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national Relations from Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., last fall. In the summer of 1965 he travelled through 11 countries in Europe on a study tour sponsored by Hope College.

JOHN W. GRAVELEY OF CINCINNATI, OHIO, a 1962 graduate of West Virginia State College, received a career appointment in the Department's Foreign Service Staff Officer Corps. Mr. Graveley saw service in the Army both at home and abroad from October, 1962 to July 1967. He achieved the rank of Captain. He is the recipient of several awards and certificates of achievement for his work with the military. His last assignment was as Adjutant General Staff Instructor in the U.S. Army Engineer School at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. At one time, Mr. Graveley was responsible for all mail services in Korea for approximately 15,000 persons. Just prior to his tour of duty in Korea, he was assigned to Fort Dix, New Jersey where he served in personnel work.

These four officers were among the 31 State Department members of the 82nd junior officer class.

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