

# U.N.L.V. STAR GOES TO A.A.U. MEET



The University of Nevada, Las Vegas Women's track and field star Beatrice Emodi will compete Friday night in the National AAU Indoor men's and women's track and field meet to be held in New York City's Madison Square Garden.

The 5.7 native of Nigeria will participate in the women's 60-yard dash and in the long jump for UNLV, in its first year of women's track and field intercollegiate competition.

Emodi is under the guidance of UNLV head track coach Al McDaniels, who said, "The AAU National meet always has quality athletes that are the best performers around the country, and we are proud to have Beatrice participate in this fine meet."

Emodi came to the limelight in international athletics in 1973, when she first competed in the Nigerian National Sports Festival and won a silver medal in the long jump with the best distance of 19-4.

During the same year, she increased the distance to 20 feet in the Commonwealth Games trials in New Zealand, and at the same meet she had a personal best of

21 feet.

The UNLV coed currently is rated the second best long jumper in Nigeria, but she has outstanding marks in the 100 meters as well. Emodi ran 100 meters in 12 seconds last year in the Ghana-Nigerian Sports Festival.

This year, the freshman physical education major has been clocked at 6.7 seconds in the 60-

yard dash and has been measured at 19 feet in the long jump.

The AAU National Indoor Championship will serve as the selection meet for the USA team which will compete against the Russians in Richmond, Va., Monday, March 3. Those athletes will be selected for the USA-Russia meet immediately following the AAU meet Friday night.

## Ali's Title Defense will benefit Charity

Black America sprang alive when Muhammad Ali regained the World Heavyweight Championship with his stunning knockout of favored George Foreman. Many stayed away from the theatres, preferring not to see Ali meet defeat and destruction.

Now on the heels of that victory in Africa, Ali defends his title against Chuck Wepner of Bayonne, New Jersey.

The Ali faithful are gearing up for Ali's big Cleveland fight on March 24, the first Heavyweight title fight in America in almost four years, and the first title fight in Cleveland since 1931.

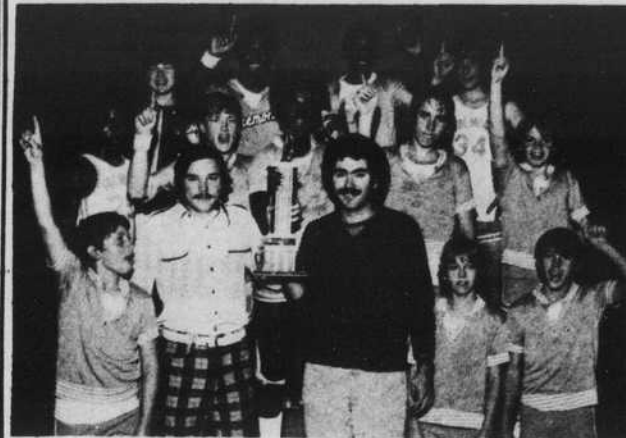
Ali's first defense will appropriately benefit Black charities.

Ali has already announced that he will donate his purse to charity. In addition to that, Don King Productions, Ali-Wepner fight promoters, will donate to Afro-American charities 50¢ from each ticket sold to the closed circuit



viewing of the championship battle. The benefit is expected to raise \$250,000 to \$500,000.

## FREMONT CLEANS UP



CLEAN SWEEP--The John C. Fremont Jr. High eighth and ninth grade basketball teams made a clean sweep of the Clark County Jr. High Championships. The 9th grade team kayoed Knudson Jr. High 75-53, and the 8th grade squad defeated Woodbury Jr. High 33-26. The winning eighth graders proudly display their trophy held by Coach James Cavin (left) and Assistant Charles Minker.

## DEAF TO COMPETE

The Eighth Annual Outstanding performer was Helen Sonder- regger of Switzerland, cast Sunday, March 2 at who won two gold medals. Highlight of the Televised from compe- show is an interview of tition held February 2nd two medal winners, both through 8th from Lake Russian, using signlan- Placid, New York, thir- guage which must be teen countries sent 150 translated from English deaf athletes to compete to Russian. in the annual games.

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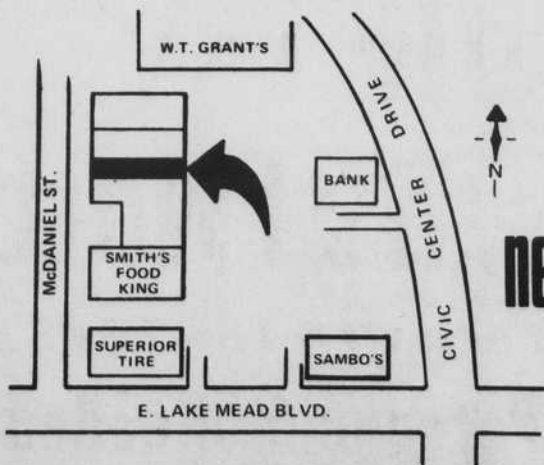
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