

The Memories of Wilma Rudolph

Wilma Rudolph, a winner of three gold medals in the 1969 Rome Olympics, told the SENTINEL last week at the 10th annual Dewar's Sports Celebrity tennis tournament held at the Riviera Hotel that women athletics have gone through some tremendous changes since those Olympics. She made the comment at the end of the third day of the tourney. She observed that women athletics have gone through many changes in recent years emerging from obscurity only recently and the popularity of women's sports had increased considerably of late. "The doors of opportunity are swinging wide," Rudolph said. "There's increased world-wide interest and participation. Women are now getting their just due especially when it comes to recognition and equity in the winning purses." "The level of competition has certainly increased since my days of international involvement," she observed. "When I was in school, there was no such thing as scholarships for women." Rudolph was also a bronze medal winner in the 1956 Olympic games. In 1961, she set the world's record for the professional basketball women's 100-meter dash. She was born in Clarksville, Tenn., and attended Tennessee State University.

SPORTS

HALL OF FAME PREXY IS TOUGH TASKMASTER

LEONARD-DURAN

It Was Greatest Fight Of 'Em All

By Kenneth Bayless

If you weren't in Montreal or at a closed circuit theatre, you missed the fight of the century. From the first round to the fifteenth round there was



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more than just action in the ring. The Leonard vs. Duran fight was the greatest fight of all times.

When the bell sounded for the first round Leonard and Duran met in the center of the ring and began throwing left jabs, right leads, and combinations

throughout the round. But Duran, in the first round, set the stage by landing effective combinations and fighting his aggressive style of boxing. The big surprise was that Leonard's strategy was to stand flat-footed and look for the big punch.

In the second round Duran hurt Leonard with a left hook and had him holding on. Leonard then came back with a couple of quick jabs, but at this point Duran was all over him.

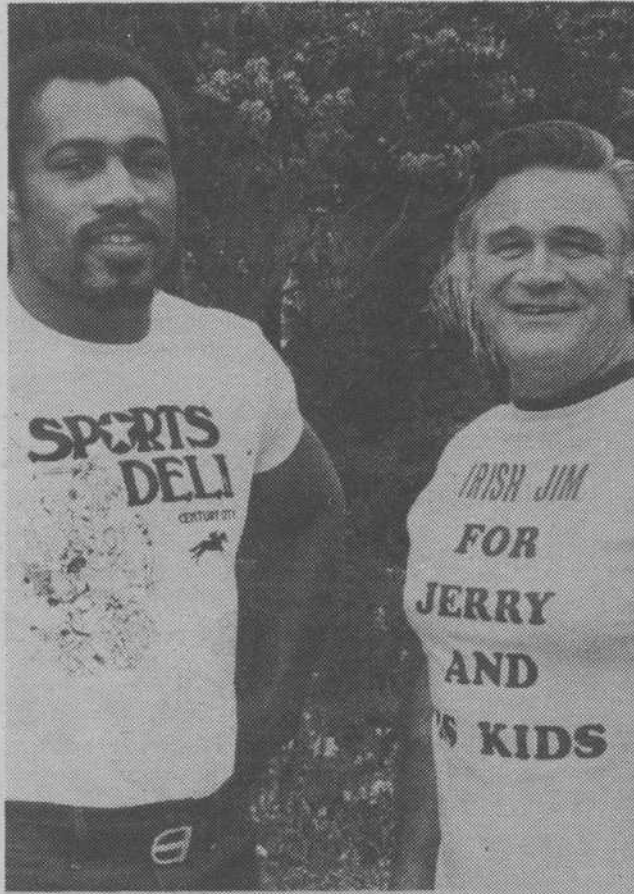
The next several rounds went to Duran who fought very consistently, also using his bullish tactics, preventing Leonard from using HIS well-known flurry attack.

Duran's aggressive attack in the seventh moved Leonard into the ropes where Duran threw some good body shots. Leonard (See Who'll, page 23)

Take it from Ken Norton, former World Heavyweight champion, Jim Caufield is a hard-working task master. He never seems to run out of gas. Caufield is perpetual motion in action.

Norton got his taste of Caufield's durability while working out at his training camp during his boxing heyday, it was Caufield who would push Norton to the limits in those daily jogging sessions. For all intents and purposes, Caufield is a marathon runner.

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KEN NORTON AND JIM CAUFIELD

Jim Caufield, founding father of the International Boxing Hall of Fame and who is an executive with Los Angeles Magazine, runs to raise money for charitable organizations. He has been known to run on an average of 5,000 miles a year for such causes.

Young boxers, Guatemalan earthquake victims and children with muscular dystrophy have all benefited from Caufield's mileage. His marathon runs have earned over \$10,000 for these and other causes.

Individuals and companies sponsor Caufield in his marathons by promising a certain amount of money per mile he runs.

"I like to do things for other people," he explained. "I believe we are put here to help others, so if I'm going to run I might as well do it for someone. It's rewarding for me, too."

Born in New York City, Caufield was raised in Connecticut. He served in the Air Force during the early days of the Korean conflict. While there, he stepped into the boxing game and soon let the game soak into his blood. He became addicted to boxing...he became a boxing nut.

Jim Caufield came to Las Vegas in '59 and started at the Frontier Hotel. It was there that he ran into "Doc" Kearns, noted trainer. They set up a gym at the Frontier and trained in the old showroom.

Around 1973, Caufield, Kearns and others talked about the idea of forming an International Boxing Hall of Fame. Since that time, much work has been put into formulating the plans to bring "the dream" into fruition.

An architect is presently putting finishing touches on the plans. The site has been selected and it will be constructed on the grounds of the Dunes Hotel at the northwest corner of the parking lot opposite Caesars Palace.

Tentative plans for the ground breaking will be sometime around the end of the year.

Jim Caufield, a task master, is a man with a "dream." Soon the dream will be realized.

Doolittle Hoop Competition Tightens Up

Now starting in the second stretch, following yesterday's All-Star game, the Summer basketball league at the Doolittle Center has tightened to a more competitive edge.

to be more of a feeler for all teams. Now it's for the final marbles. Teams honing for top honors include B.T. Express, Holiday Casino, Eagle Eye All Stars, Nevada

Power, Sixers, Showboat Hotel, Aces, Valley Bank and Las Vegas Fire Dept.

All games are played at the Doolittle Center. Those scheduled during period, June 30-July 3 in-

clude: June 30 — Holiday Casino vs Showboat 6 p.m. B.T. Express vs Eagle Eye All Stars 8 p.m.

July 1 — Aces vs Sixers 6 p.m. Valley Bank vs Nevada Power 8 p.m. July 2 Sixers vs Showboat 6 p.m.

B.T. Express vs Fire Dept. 8 p.m. July 3 Aces vs Valley Bank 6 p.m. Nevada Power vs Eagle Eye All Stars 8 p.m.