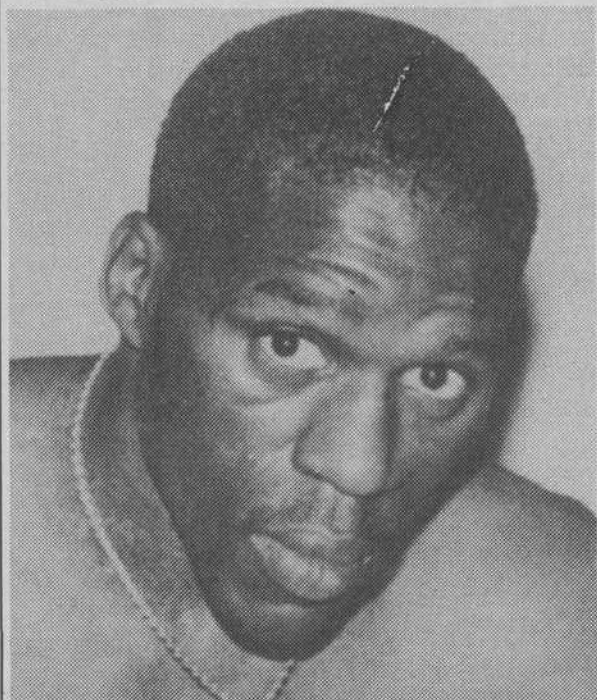


**CHAMP
ROGER MAYWEATHER
WINS 10TH ROUND
DECISION OVER MIKE
JOHNSON WITH
DAMAGED RIGHT HAND**



By Bob Rodgers

Two-time World Champion Roger Mayweather (38-6), fighting with an injured right hand, did not land a solid punch until the 5th round, but went on the win a 10 round decision over Mike Johnson.

With 10 years of ring experience, Mayweather fought masterfully, and showed his ring wisdom.

Mayweather's manager said they would not allow him to fight until his hand is completely healed.

Roger felt that had his right hand not been injured, his opponent Johnson (21-3-2) would not have lasted the 10 rounds.

Drexler New \$8 Million Man

The Portland Trailblazers have extended the contract of Clyde Drexler by one year, an agreement that will reportedly pay the star guard \$8 million for the 1995-96 season.

The salary is believed to be the highest ever for one season for an athlete in a team sport.

Drexler was in Honolulu for an exhibition game against the Los Angeles Lakers. The Blazers did not reveal terms of the agreement, but Drexler said the deal would add a sixth year to his contract and would pay him more than \$8 million for that

year.

"I think this shows good faith on the part of the organization," Drexler said. "It's a fair contract. I'm happy about it."

Drexler, the Blazers' all-time leading scorer and a third time NBA All Star last season, will earn about \$1.2 million this season.

DICKERSON SIGNS CONTRACT EXTENSION

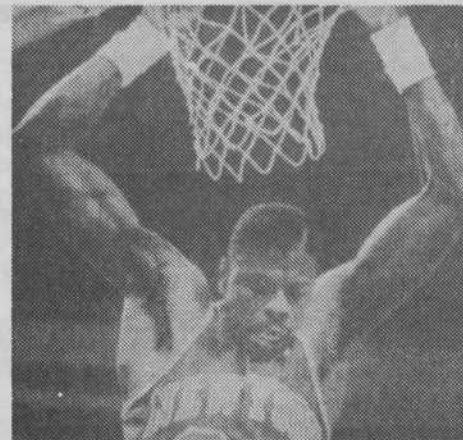
Eric Dickerson got a four year contract extension from the Indianapolis Colts. The star running back is expected to be ready to play Oct. 21 against Denver.

**EWING SPARKS KNICKS TO
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Barcelona Spain - In what may have been a preview of the 1992 Olympics, Patrick Ewing outdueled Yugoslavian superstar Toni Kukoc to lead the New York Knicks to the McDonald's Open title.

Ewing scored 23 points and had 13 rebounds last Saturday as the Knicks defeated European Champion POP 84 Split of Yugoslavia, 117-101.

Ewing, who played for the U.S. team that won the gold at the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles, said he would like to play in the Barcelona Games in 1992 - the first time NBA players will be allowed in the Olympics.



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