

4 Negro Sprinters Compete For 100-Yard-Dash Record

NEW YORK — Four Negro sprinters will draw a beam on one of the oldest track records left on the book this week end when they line-up for the 100-yard dash in the National AAU Meet which will have a trip to Europe and Russia as a bonus winning prize.

Several other records are expected to fall in the meet which is attracting perhaps the biggest all-star field ever seen in a non-Olympic year. Indications are that new standards will be set in the mile run, high jump, pole vault, broad jump, shot put, discus and 440-yard dash.

Most attention will be on the century however, where San Joe State's Dennis Johnson, Villanova's Frank Budd, Oregon's Harry Jerome and Bob Hayes of Florida A&M, all of whom have equalled the world record of 9.3 this season are slated to clash. This is the best field ever assembled for this event.

Johnson, who has rival coaches accusing him of illegal starts as he moves off the blocks so quickly, is the overwhelming favorite to win the short dash.

The outstanding performer at the meet, the man most fans will be out to see, is of course, Ralph Boston, the spectacular broad-jumper from Tennessee State, who recently broke the oldest record in the book with a plus 27-foot jump. Boston may also compete in the hop-step-and-jump.

In the high jump, Boston University's off-and-on John Thomas will be out to capture this event and qualify for the chance to redeem himself against the Russian leapers, who have bested him in their last two meetings, in the 1960 Olympic Games and the more recent Russian-U.S. Track Meet. Thomas has a new rival in John Avant from Southern California, track's newest seven-footer.

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Radio Station Concentrates On Negroes

NEW YORK — Station WLIB announced last week that effective June 26, its programming will concentrate on the Negro audience in Metropolitan New York, on a full-time Monday through Friday schedule.

With the increase in the economic and cultural status of the more than 1,500,000 Negroes in Metropolitan New York, WLIB feels that this audience warrants and deserves greater representation in the broadcasting field. Until now, WLIB, as have other independent stations in New York, has been serving a variety of ethnic groups, but with the acceleration of activities concerning Negroes on the local, national and international scene, the WLIB management felt that expanded service to this segment of the population was merited. The station will continue to air special shows for other groups on Saturdays and Sundays as it has in the past.

In addition to its regularly scheduled musical and news programming, WLIB has already scheduled over 75 individual shows of special interest and specifically aimed at the Negro audience. The programs include a series of 45 15-minute shows, "The Heart of the Community," covering the activities of the major civic organizations serving Negroes, and a series of half-hour programs, "Africa Speaks," featuring some outstanding figures of the United Nations, and other people from coun-

Sammy Davis Seeks Nevada Night Club

Entertainers Billy Eckstine and Sammy Davis, Jr., have applied for individual interests in the new Carver House Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Located in the West side district of Las Vegas, the new spa opened its gaming casino on July 1. Heading its executive personnel is Las Vegas's Bob Bailey, local TV and personality and show business name, a member of the NAACP and commissioner of Nevada's Equal Rights Committee.

Billy Eckstine and Sammy Davis, Jr. will present in the new Carver House showroom, "Mr. B's Supper Club," starting July 20, a show to be called "Le Jazz Hot." Choreography is by Lon Fontaine, who recently returned from a trip to Los Angeles, New Orleans, Chicago, Detroit and New York, to select ten of the most beautiful showgirls for the new show.

The Carver House Hotel and Casino is an 88-room hotel, completely air-conditioned, with dining room, coffee shop, gaming casino, cocktail

tries in Africa.

Harry Novik, WLIB's general manager, also announced that Billy Taylor, nationally famed jazz pianist and star of his own show, would join the staff as music-coordinator. In addition, Taylor's show, formerly heard on Saturday afternoon, will be expanded to a 6-night a week program, Mondays through Fridays.

bar, convention hall, shops and is also the home of "Mr. B's Supper Club."

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Tens of thousands of young people will have graduated by the time this article is published.

A few graduated summa cum laude, a larger number magna cum laude, and a larger number cum laude. A vast majority of students graduated this month completed their work without honors. This does not mean that those who were graduated with honors will not make a mark in the world.

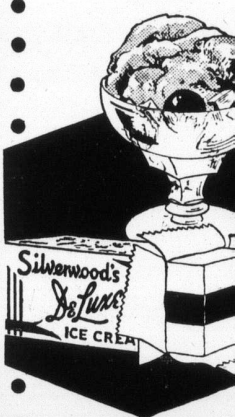
There will always be the exceptional few who graduate without honors, but will be better than those who graduated with honors. On the other hand, it is no doubt true that the percentage of honors people who will do exceptionally well in the world will be higher than the percentage of those who did not graduate with honors.

This will be true in part because students who graduate this June with honors are those students who applied themselves more diligently than many of those who did not graduate with honors.

And yet, there will be the boy or girl who was considered average in college, but put rings around some of those who made high marks. What the future will reveal no one can predict with certainty.

One fact is clear and true: the foundation for what these graduates will do in the world is laid now.

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