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Sugar Ray Robinson— Neither Saint, nor Sinner

SUGAR RAY by Sugar Ray Robinson with Dave Anderson (Macmillan \$8.75)

This is a book that is a must for every boxing fan. Robinson, who was termed by ring experts as "pound for pound the best fighter who ever lived" when he was in his prime, not only gives you an insight on all aspects of boxing, but spares no punches in bringing to light some of the sordid and seamy sides of the sport.

Born May 3, 1920 in Detroit, Sugar Ray, who was christened Walker Smith, Junior, by his parents, Robinson earned his nickname when his early day manager described his style as "sweet as sugar". From then on he was tagged Sugar Ray.

The Robinson part of his name was taken when he was still an amateur and didn't have his New York State amateur card one night when he was to appear in the ring. The man in charge of his

group, always carried a number of amateur cards with him and gave the promoter one bearing the name of Ray Robinson. Thus Sugar Ray Robinson.

Robinson was a high, wide and handsome liver. When the money was rolling in, during the time he held two titles and nearly won a third, it was flamingo cadillacs, trips to Paris with an entourage that numbered in the dozens and women. Women. Women.

Robinson candidly admits that his only vice was chasing dolls. Live ones.

"My beliefs have sprung from the belief in God. I believe that man of himself can do nothing, that he needs God to guide him and bless him. I don't go to any special church. I believe that it's more important to have a church inside a man than a man inside a church. From childhood I was taught to obey the Ten Commandments and I have—except for the one about adultery and I'm not proud of having broken it.

"But as you'll see, I'm neither saint nor sinner, I'm a gladiator."

That excerpt is from the opening chapter of the book. Some of the chapters on attempts by mobsters to get him to throw fights—he says (Continued on back page)



Bill Russell hears of his selection as basketball's player of the decade. Now retired, the former Boston Celtics player and coach, is appearing in motion pictures and television.

South African Church Criticized

Nairobi, Kenya — The World Assembly of Presbyterian and Congregational Churches narrowly rejected a move to expel the Dutch Reformists, South Africa's principal church.

The action came on a draft policy statement that asserted any church practising racial separation "cannot be considered an authentic member of the body of Christ."

The assembly rejected that wording and adopted instead a code proclaiming "the church cannot be divided by walls"

such as race.

It also endorsed a statement accusing the South African church of practising racial separation. The Dutch Reformists officially oppose the South African white-minority government's apartheid policy but, supports separate racial development.

Sources said the South African church may have to reconsider its membership in the assembly because of criticism. The assembly now provides that church with its only contact in international church gatherings.

Black Man Role Cited In Canada

Toronto — A Trinidadian Presbyterian minister is switching the traditional missionary role.

He has come to Canada to preach the gospel.

"I think we who have been missionized, so to speak, have a definite role in bringing back the gospel to the very lands from which the missionaries came," said Rev. Albert Baldeo.

Mr. Baldeo, 40, resigned from his position as minister of Trinidad's largest Presbyterian Church to come to Canada.

Many Canadian churchmen didn't understand why he decided to come but Mr. Baldeo said he hopes to bridge the gap between black and white. He believes the church is "the greatest vehicle of reconciliation."

"For more than 100 years we have been listening to the white man preach," he said. "I think it is time the white man listened to the gospel message from the black man."

"I feel that perhaps we of the so-called under-developed countries can be developed in the spiritual realm and in giving to the Western world a greater perspective and richer values in life."

Mr. Baldeo is no stranger to Canada. He was educated at Mount Allison University in New Brunswick and St. Stephen's College in Edmonton.

In Toronto, he will be involved in a proposed West Indian Centre. The centre, to

be set up by the United Church of Canada, will cater to the cultural needs of the West Indian community in Toronto.

Mr. Baldeo, who has worked on racial programs in the United States, feels that the proposed program will "go a long way towards improving relations between the blacks and whites in the community."

"While I have been told by several persons that Trinidad needs me now, there is also an urgent need for men to preach the gospel in various other parts of the world," he said.

"The time has come when Trinidad must think of exporting not only calypso, steel bands, rum or oil."

Mr. Baldeo believes his "mission of love" will help to restore Trinidad's image abroad.

He claims he has seen more violence in places like Canada and the United States than in Trinidad.

"And when I talk of violence I'm not necessarily talking about bloodshed. In some of the so-called civilized countries you'll find some of the most wicked forms of repressive violence."

Referring to the black power eruptions in Trinidad, Mr. Baldeo believes "the people in the country are seeking some new form of government."

"The country has not had any type of constructive opposition and this naturally had been leading to a type of dictatorship."



Not exactly an extravert himself, Richard Nixon describes his elder daughter Tricia, 24, as the introvert of the family. "She does not like the limelight," he said in a recent interview. Despite her passion for privacy, Tricia handles public appearances with great panache. This month she was featured in a six-page fashion layout accompanying her father's 'Ladies' Home Journal' interview, and shares the centre fold with her sister Julie in 'Vogue'. She led millions of television viewers on tour of the White House living quarters, displaying an enviable stage presence as she showed off family mementos and shared some family secrets. Then she was hostess to 2,000 children at a concert on the White House lawn. Questioned by reporters following the concert, Tricia said that her television appearance had brought her several offers of on-camera jobs. She turned them down. "What I'd really like," she said as she watched newsmen scribble down her answers, "is a job like yours."