

Ali pounds out decision

NEW YORK (AP) — Muhammad Ali, calling on every trick he has learned in his long and controversial career, pounded out a unanimous 15-round decision over Ken Norton last night and retained his world heavyweight championship.

The 34-year-old Ali, sometimes floating like the butterfly he has bragged about, other times stinging like a bee with solid jabs and short right leads, seemed to control the tempo from the outset although Norton kept moving forward and landed the harder punches.

Ali even resorted to the rope-a-dope defense he used when he wrestled the title away from George Foreman.

There was only one thing he did not do. He did not destroy Norton as he predicted he would do.

Referee Arthur Mercante scored the fight 8-6-1 for Ali while judges Harold Lederman and Barney Smith each had it 8-7 for Ali.

The Associated Press had it 9-6 for the champion. Norton now has gone 39 tough rounds with the man who proclaims himself the greatest fighter of all time. The only thing he has to show for it is one victory, some real good money and a night of frustration.



The defeat probably wrote an end to Norton's boxing career. At 31, movies seem to be more in his future than fights.

Ali, who predicted the fight would not go more than five rounds, came out flat-footed, gunning for power. His best weapons in the first six rounds were short right hands, many of them leads.

But Norton gave as good as he got and after eight rounds it seemed to be anybody's fight.

Then, in the ninth, Ali came out dancing and jabbing and the jab was effective. The champion also shook Norton with a left-right-left to the head in the round which ended with Norton scoring a solid right to the head.

In the 10th, Ali was dancing and jabbing again and Norton couldn't do anything about it. Ali made it three rounds in a row, at least on The AP card, when he took the 11th round, in which Norton imitated Ali's rope-a-dope, a tactic the champ had used earlier in the fight.

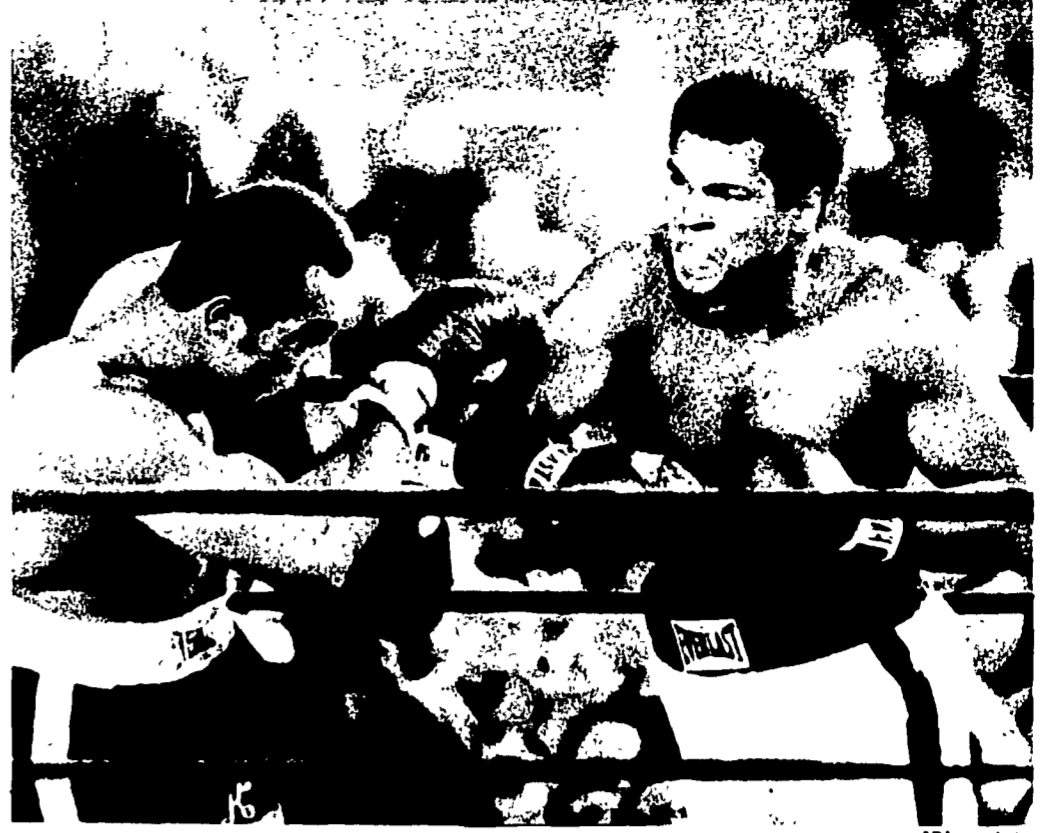
Then in the 11th, Ali scored with two telling rights, both of them leads, and two good lefts to the head.

But Norton kept coming and punching with all his power, although he was never able to land the punch that could turn the tide for him in the final four rounds. And Ali remained effective with his left hand right to the final bell, although he missed more in the final 12 minutes than he had for most of the fight.

The 15th round ended with Norton, weighing 217½, bullying the 221 pound Ali into a neutral corner and scoring with several hard punches to the head and body.

When the final bell rang Norton had a look of jubilation on his face.

But when he left the ring a few minutes later there were tears in his eyes.



Muhammad Ali (right) sticks Ken Norton with a right in last night's fight at Yankee Stadium.

Manure smell aids Tishov

Field goal keys IM win

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The only smelling salts used on the intramural fields at East Halls are the rancid bursts of cow manure to the extreme right of the action. Last week a defensive lineman got a double dose when he retrieved a loose pigskin near Elsie herself.

Last night was no different, as the wind blew in, but Delta Tau Delta nonetheless inhaled deep and beat Pi Kappa Alpha 3-0 in a battle of the unbeaten.

John Tishov's 37-yard field goal, the longest in his fraternity career, gave Delta a lead it never relinquished and John (Tex) Irwin's two interceptions in the last three minutes sealed the victory for

Delta, now 2-0. Tishov was a Penn State varsity cut as a kicker in the spring because he had shin splints, he said, but his teammates say that his dedication to his fraternity was the reason for his failure. East Halls football is a lot of fun, they say.

"He also loves the smell of manure," a running back said.

Tishov could not find the words to verify the story, but did comment extensively on the field goal.

"I hit it good," he said.

Pi Kappa Alpha had several big opportunities to put the game away with a touchdown. The biggest opportunity came when Mike Labreque intercepted Delta quarterback Tom Moore's deflected pass and returned it inside the Delta 20. Pi Kappa quarterback Jack Evans hit his tight end for a score, but the play was called back for illegal procedure.

The second chance came when Evans was intercepted in the end zone by Irwin, with less than a minute left.

"It was a deep post pattern," Irwin revealed. "Their

ends criss-crossed, but our secondary read it. I took the inside man and got the ball. We had it all the way." (note: Delta is not a humble team)

But a thriller like this one wouldn't be complete without an analysis by the winning quarterback, who braved the cold weather and dew ridden grass, to throw five interceptions and gain minus twelve on the ground.

"It was tough out there tonight," Moore said. "The ball was extremely wet."

Could the smell of manure have bothered him?

"It was a combination of things," he closed.

Major league standings

National League				American League			
Team	W	L	Pct.	Team	W	L	Pct.
x-Phila	97	60	.618	x-New York	94	62	.603
Pitts	89	69	.561	Baltimore	88	70	.557
New York	85	71	.545	Cleveland	80	75	.513
Chicago	71	86	.452	Boston	80	78	.506
St. Louis	71	86	.452	Detroit	70	86	.449
Montreal	53	103	.340	Milwaukee	65	92	.414
x-Cinci	99	58	.631	Kansas City	89	68	.567
Los Ang	90	67	.573	Oakland	85	71	.545
Houston	77	81	.487	Minnesota	81	77	.513
San Fran	72	86	.456	California	72	85	.459
San Diego	70	87	.446	Texas	73	85	.462
Atlanta	69	88	.439	Chicago	64	92	.410
x-cinched division title				x-cinched division title			
Tuesday's games not included				Tuesday's Results			
Yesterday's Games				Late games not included			
New York 5-2, Montreal 4-4				Texas 7, Minnesota 0			
Pittsburgh 5, Chicago 1				Detroit 4-1, Cleveland 0-6			
St. Louis 5, Philadelphia 3				Baltimore 7-7, Milwaukee 5-3, first game			
San Francisco 4, Atlanta 1				11 innings			
Cincinnati 5, San Diego 4				Boston 7, New York 5			
Houston 1, Los Angeles 0				Kansas City at Oakland, n			
Today's Games				Only games scheduled			
Montreal at New York, n				Texas at Minnesota			
San Francisco at Atlanta, n				New York at Boston, n			
Chicago at Pittsburgh, n				Milwaukee at Baltimore, n			
Philadelphia at St. Louis, n				Detroit at Cleveland, n			
Houston at Los Angeles, n				Chicago at California, n			

IM scores

COED FLAG FOOTBALL
Amble Ramblers, Simmons-Hartranft, double forfeit; Elkana def. Lions, 12-2; Org. Confusions, Sweatbags, double forfeit; Simmons def. Wild Bunch, 13-0; Kissimmee def. I.C.S., 2-1, first downs; Hardhats def. Flamers, 14-0; Butler-did-it def. Grumbys, 19-12; Fumbles def. Grogans, 6-0; Wallbangers def. Emanon's, 13-0.

Medich wins 8th; Phils lose

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Pitcher Doc Medich's single and Richie Hebner's triple ignited a four-run eighth inning to lift the Pittsburgh Pirates to a 5-1 victory over the Chicago Cubs last night.

Medich, who won his eighth game against 11 losses, singled to center with one out.

After Miguel Dilone flied out, Hebner tripled to left-center,

scoring Medich with the tie-breaking run.

Richie Zisk singled to right-center to score Hebner and to second on a single by Al Oliver. Dave Parker then doubled against the wall in left-center, driving in two runs.

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Rookie Hector Cruz drove in three

runs, including two with his 13th homer of the season, leading the St. Louis Cardinals to a 5-3 triumph over the Philadelphia Phillies last night.

The Cards foiled a bid by Phillies left-hander Steve Carlton, 19-7, to become a 20-game winner for the third time in his career.

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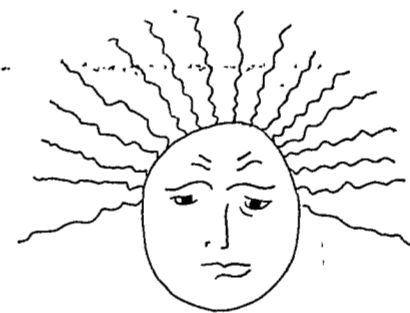
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