The committee plans a permanent Hall of Fame Building - an American Shrine where this and future generations of youth can be inspired to emulate the hero athletes of the Negro race.

**Answering Ideology**

The Hall of Fame Association will seek to give wide circulation among the youth of today the underlying reasons for the success of these noted athletes. Thus, our children will be taught the value of obedience, clean living, study, practice, and above all, character building.

In this we will have America at its best; the indelible answer to ideology which is trying so hard to destroy what these heroes on the home front have won.

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For many years -- and often against discouraging odds -- American Negro athletes have won immeasurable credit for themselves, their race and their country.

Ever struggling to overcome destructive, undermining forces aimed directly at the foundation of the American spirit, these talented men and women by their indomitable spirit have shattered old traditions and forged to the forefront in almost every recognized sport.

Today, the Negro star on the gridiron or diamond, in the boxing ring, on the cinder path, on the basketball floor or in the Olympics is an accepted and respected competitor.

There is more to the story of a Negro champion than a natural ability to compete in a given contest. Usually it is a story of clean living, hard study and practice, exemplary habits and the acceptance of guidance from parents or teachers, or both. Sometimes it is a story of a triumph over insidious, unfair and concealed heart-breaking thorns.

The champion Negro athlete today is a shining example to the youth of his own race -- and to every other boy and girl in the United States -- of how success and fame can be won on merit and merit alone.

All America is indebted to these champions because they are 24-Karat champions. As individuals and as a group they have done more for the advancement of American relations in America than perhaps any other single influence.

The lesson they bring to us is an exemplification of American idealism in its finest tradition. Their careers are inspirational -- their fame genuine.

It is therefore fitting and proper that some lasting honor is done these men and women who have surmounted countless obstacles in their path to the top.

This will be accomplished through the establishment of a permanent Negro Hall of Fame. Each year a representative committee will select the champion Negro athletes whose accomplishments in sport warrant lasting recognition. These names will be added to the roster of the illustrious stars of the past who were confronted by barriers even greater than those encountered today. An official annual Hall of Fame volume will be made available to the public nationally.

The appearance of a Negro competitor in a Big League sport will not in itself warrant his nomination to the Hall of Fame. His achievements must be outstanding in his field. He must be a champion in every sense of the word. Appropriate plaques will be awarded those selected.