

NAME VALDES NO. 1 CONTENDER FOR MARCIANO

N. B. A. Warns Saddler to Defend Title

Milwaukee, Oct. 6 (AP)—Nino Valdes of Cuba is the only logical contender for Rocky Marciano's world heavyweight boxing title, the National Boxing association said today in releasing its fall ratings.

Valdes, the Cuban champion, is the first heavyweight to earn the logical contender distinction since last spring, according to Fred J. Saddy of Milwaukee, chairman of the N. B. A. rating committee. Former Champion Ezzard Charles, now named at the top of the list of outstanding heavyweights, was designated the only contender before his first bout with Marciano last June.

The only champion left without a logical contender in his division is Archie Moore, light heavyweight. Sandy Saddler was warned by the N. B. A. that unless he defended his featherweight title before Dec. 14 it would be vacated and the winner of the Percy Bassett-Redtop Davis bout would be recognized as champion.

Ratings:

Heavyweight—Champion, Rocky Marciano, Massachusetts; logical contender, Nino Valdes, Cuba; outstanding boxers, Ezzard Charles, Ohio; Don Cockell, England; Jim Slade, New York.

Light Heavyweight—Champion, Archie Moore, Missouri; logical contender, none available; outstanding boxers, Harold Johnson, Pennsylvania; Joey Maxim, Ohio; Paul Andrew, New York; Billy Smith, California; Floyd Patterson, New York; Bob Satterfield, Illinois.

Middleweight—Champion, Carl [Bobo] Olson, Hawaii; logical contender, Joey Giardello, Pennsylvania; outstanding boxers, Rocky Castellani, Pennsylvania; Holly Mims, Washington, D. C.; Willie Troy, Washington, D. C.; Pierre Langlois, France.

Welterweight—Champion, Kid Gavilan, Cuba; logical contenders, Carmen Basillo, New York; Del Flanagan, Minnesota; Johnny Saxton, New York; outstanding boxers, Ramon Fuentes, California; Vince Martinez, New Jersey; Freddie Dawson, Illinois; Tony De Marco, Massachusetts; Billy Graham, New York.

Lightweight—Champion, Paddy De Marco, New York; logical contender, Jimmy Carter, New York; outstanding boxers, Orlando Zulueta, Cuba; Arthur Persley, Louisiana; Johnny Gonsalves, California.

Featherweight—Champion, Sandy Saddler, New York; logical contenders, Percy Bassett, Pennsylvania; Redtop Davis, Connecticut; outstanding boxers, Ray Famechon, France; Lulu Perez, New York; Roy Ankarah, Africa.

Bantamweight—Champion, Robert Cohen, French Algiers; logical contender, Raton Marcias, Mexico; outstanding boxers, Cham-rern Songkitrat, Thailand; Pierre Cossemyns, Belgium; Marlo d'Agata, Italy; Nate Brooks, Ohio; Andre Valignat, France; Bobby Sinn, Australia.

Flyweight—Champion, Yoshio Shirai, Japan; logical contenders, Leo Espinosa, Philippine Islands; Tanny Campo, Philippine Islands; outstanding boxers, Dai Dower, Wales; Pascual Perez, Argentina; Jack Tull, South Africa.