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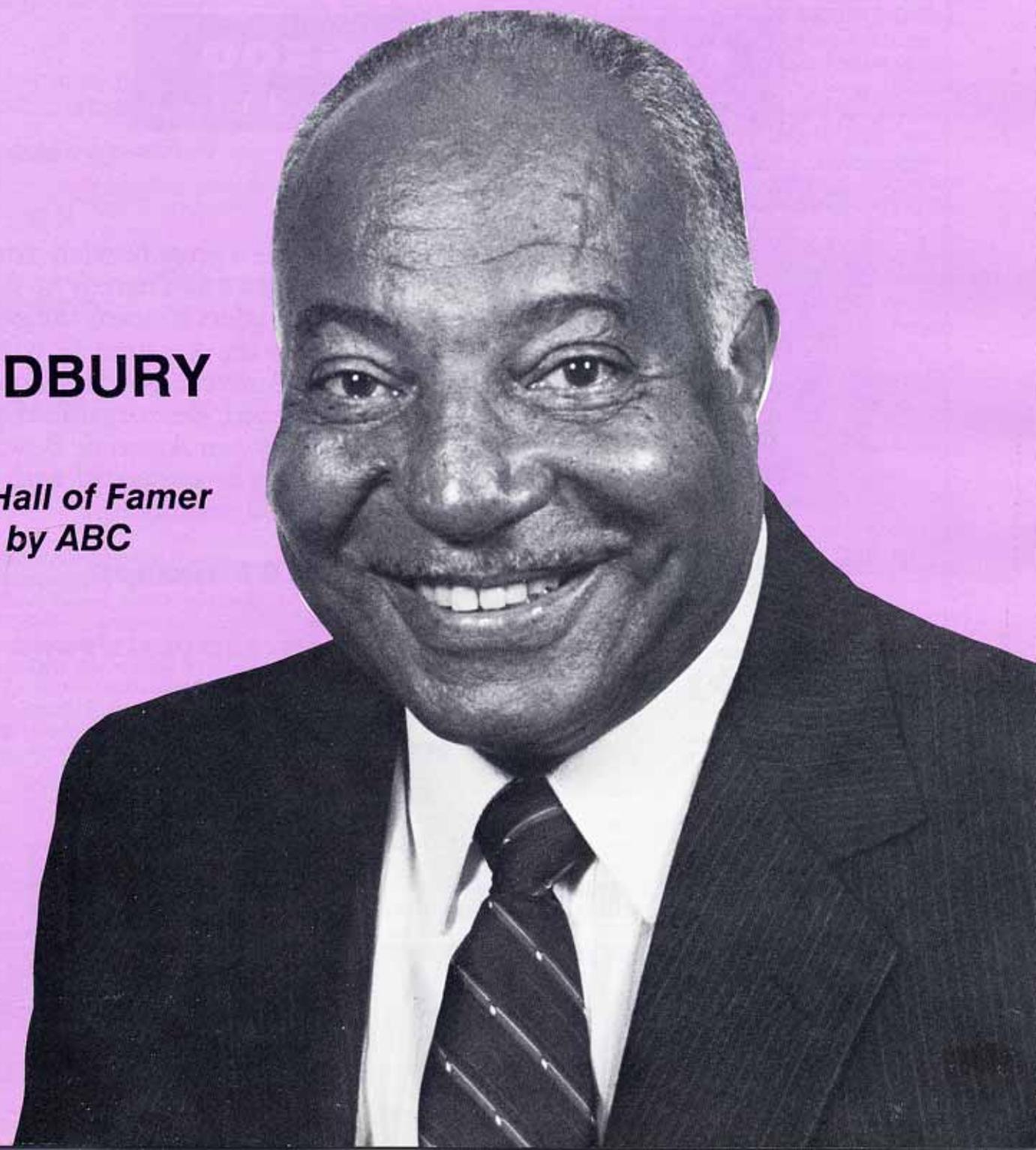
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NCABA Hall of Famer receives national championship award earned in 1942

A victim of the American Bowling Congress constitution's "Caucasian only" membership clause when his Mansfield (Ohio) Senior High School team won the American High School Bowling Congress's (AHSBC) National Telegraphic Championship on April 6, 1942, Ed Woodbury was denied his championship award as well as an all-expense-paid trip with his teammates to the ABC Tournament in Columbus, Ohio

that year to compete in a series of exhibition matches. (ABC, which dropped its discriminatory policy in 1950, was the governing body of AHSBC; Woodbury's team spot in Columbus was taken by a white member of the school's *second* team.)

Last month, Woodbury, of Hyattsville, Md., a retired U.S. patent examiner and a member of the NCABA Hall of Fame, finally received his all-expense-

paid trip and his championship plaque one day before his 69th birthday in ceremonies preceding the ABC Hall of Fame inductions at the Tulsa (Oklahoma) Convention Center.

Before addressing the capacity crowd, Woodbury marched up the center aisle of the ABC Tournament lanes with ABC Executive Director Darold Dobs and then received his long-awaited plaque from ABC President Tom McKay.



ABC Public Relations Manager Dave DeLorenzo offers words of wisdom before the ceremony.



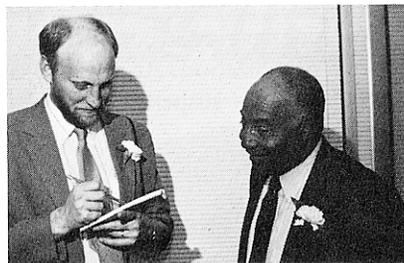
ABC President Tom McKay presents Woodbury with his championship plaque.



The honoree is escorted up the center aisle of the ABC Tournament lanes by ABC Executive Director Darold Dobs.



Woodbury with (left to right) ABC Hall of Famers Ray Bluth, Johnny Klares, and Mike McGrath.



Woodbury is interviewed by Rory Gillespie, assistant manager of the ABC Public Relations Department.



Woodbury with ABC Hall of Famer Chuck Pezzano (center) and Darold Dobs.



Bowling legend Joe Norris offers his congratulations.

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