

14 Indian Athletes on Indian Hall of Fame

Fourteen great Indian athletes, five of whom are still living, were formally inducted into the American Indian Athletic Hall of Fame Saturday, Nov. 25.

Louie "Rabbit" Weller, Allie Reynolds, Wilson D. "Buster" Charles and Albert Exendine were present at the inaugural banquet in the Kansas Union.

Deceased honorees John Levi, Charles "Chief" A. Bender, Jim Thorpe, Louis Tewanima, Joseph "Indain Joe" Guyon, John "Chief" Meyers, Alex Arcase and Reuben Sanders were represented by relatives.

Levi, regarded as the greatest athlete in the history of Haskell, Kan., was represented by his son John Jr. Thorpe was represented by his daughter Grace and two sons.

Completing the list of nominees are former Haskell gridder Theodore "Tiny" Roebuck and ex-Carlyle All-American Jimmie Johnson.

Billy Mills, assistant to the Bureau of Indian Affairs director announced the 14 selections at a press conference in the Haskell Junior College Student Union,

temporary location of the Hall of Fame.

Announcement of the formation of the new Hall was made last spring. It was incorporated by the State of Kansas in August.

Hopefully, enough funds for construction of a separate Hall of Fame building on the campus will be available in five years.

In connection with the inauguration ceremonies, an all-Indian high school cross country meet was held Saturday morning on the Haskell grounds.