## Birds' opening fix on sale

The world champion Baltimore Orioles today (Friday) announced that some 18,000 general admission tickets will be placed on sale immediately for the Opening Day game against the Minnesota Twins April 11, at Memorial Stadium.

These general admission tickets will be sold on a reserved seat basis although there will be no change in the regular price.

"Demands for Opening Day tickets have been brisk," ticket manager Bill Roberts reported, "so we decided to reserve all general admission tickets just as we did for the World Series."

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ALL BOX and preferred reserved seats in the lower deck have already been sold, Roberts disclosed, although a limited number of reserved a small number of mezzanine box seats are left.

Highlighting the Opening Day pre-game festivities will be flag-raising ceremonies marking the Orioles' first American League pennant and World Championship victory.

Other pre-game activities will include the presentation of World Series championship rings to Oriole players by commissioner William D. Eckert.

### BOXING

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS
By United Press International

PHILADELPHIA — Gypsy Joe Harris, 151, Philadelphia, stopped Harris, 151, Philadelphia, stopped (6).

WALPOLE, Mass. — Billy Burton, 165, Bronx, outpointed Hilton Whittaker, 160, Brooklyn, N.Y. (8).

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Ernie Lopez, 142, Ogden, Utah, outpointed Benito Juarez, 142, Las Vegas (10).

PARIS — Jacques Kilani, 145, France, stopped Sylvain Ely, 146, Cotonou, Dahomey, Africa, South America, dropped out (6). Felix Brami, Tunisia, outpointed Paul Rourre, France (10).

LONDON — Alan Rudkin, 120½, England, stopped Kichi Tsuganezawa, 121 1-2, Japan (1).

OAKLAND, Calif. — Charley Shipes, 149 1-2, Oakland, drew with Jimmy Lester, 136, San Francisco (10).

# Reversal of policy looms as pro elevens draft 105

...By SAM LACY

An obvious reversal of policy in professional football is evident in the wake of the first common draft of college talent by the merged National and American football leagues.

For the first time in pro football history, players selected from predominantly colored schools outnumber those from the larger colleges which usually command the greater attention.

WHETHER THE settling of differences between the NFL and ALF, and the subsequent clasping of hands is responsible, one cannot say, but the fact is brought to light in an AFRO study of the 2-day draft in New York.

A total of 105 colored athletes were selected by the participating clubs. Of this number, 55 played last year at formerly non white schools, and 50 competed in predominantly white institutions.

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ALSO WORTHY of note to AFRO readers is the fact that nine youngsters eyeing pro careers next year are graduates of Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) schools, which is another peak attainment.

Morgan State College's unbeaten Tangerine Bowl champions produced three in linebacker Willie Lanier (Kansas City Chiefs), halfback Earl Mayo (Chicago Bears), and defensive back Robert Wade (Baltimore Colts).

North Carolina College sent two; tackle Richard Slight (Oakland Raiders and flanker Roosevelt Robinson (New Orleans Saints). Maryland State gave halfback Charlie Stukes to the Baltimore Colts; Virginia Union linebacker Cornelius Johnson, and St. Augustine's College tackle Herman Reed also went to Baltimore.

Gene Snipes, a halfback from Elizabeth City (NC) State College, was plucked by the Atlanta Falcons.

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TENNESSEE STATE, winner of the Grantland Rice Bowl title and, like Morgan unbeaten for the season, led all the predominantly tan schools in producing potential pros, Seven Tigers were chosen.

Following the Nashville institution as a football factory were Grambling, Texas Southern and Jackson State, each with four drafted. Prairie View and South Carolina State developed three prospects; Missouri Lincoln, Tuskegee, Southern University, Fort Valley, Bishop and little known Edward Waters College sent two apiece to the pro table.

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THE ENTIRE list was headed, of course, by Bubba Smith, the Michigan State All American end. He was the first athlete picked in the long, drawn out 2 day bartering.

Following the Baltimore Colts' plucking of Smith, another noteworthy happening occurred. Eight colored athletes were among the first ten selected.

Noteworthy, too, was the fact that Minnesota, which had been suspect during the Norm Van Brocklin reign as head coach, used their three first round picks on colored talent — halfback Clint Jones and end Gene Washington of Michigan State, and defensive end Alan Page of Notre Dame.

Included among the drafted colleges were the following:

ATLANTA — Halfback Gene Snipes, Elizabeth City; flanker Bob Moton, Bishop; linebacker John Walker, Jackson State; defensive back Lawrence Chester, Allen.

BALTIMORE — Halfback Charlie Stukes, Maryland State; defensive back Bubba Smith, Michigan State; halfback Tom Matte, Ohio State; linebacker Cornelius Johnson, Va. Union; tackle Norm Reed, St. Augustine; defensive back Robert Wade, Morgan; tackle Norm Davis, Grambling, and tackle Lee Anderson, Bishop.

BOSTON — Defensive back John Charles, Purdue; defensive back Charles Theriault, Michigan State; flanker Leroy Mitchell, Texas Southern.

BUFFALO — Flanker Jim Pilot, Arizona State; defensive tackle Robert Bonner, Southern; defensive tackle Bayard Tinley, Tennessee State; halfback Vern Roderick, Central Oklahoma; halfback Grover Smith, Fort Valley.

CHICAGO — Defensive back Bob Jones, San Diego State; halfback Gary Lyle, George Washington; defensive end Tom Greenlee, Washington; halfback Earl Mayo, Morgan.

CLEVELAND — End Epie Barney, Iowa State; halfback Carl Ward, Michigan; end Don Williams, Akron; halfback Ben Davis, Defiance;

DALLAS — Defensive back Phil Clarke, Northwestern; defensive back Rayfield Wright, Fort Valley; halfback Eugene Bowens, Tennessee State; defensive tackle Larry David, Edward Waters; linebacker George Adams, Morehead State;

DENVER — Halfback Floyd Little, Syracuse; defensive back Jim Summers, Michigan State; guard Don Smith, Florida A and M;

DETROIT — Halfback Mel Farr, UCLA; defensive back Lem Barney, Jackson; defensive end Cleveland Robinson, S.C. State;

GREEN BAY — Halfback Travis Williams, Arizona State; defensive back Richard Tate, Utah; halfback Claudie James, Jackson State;

HOUSTON — Linebacker George Webster, Michigan State; halfback Ray Hopkins, Texas Southern; defensive tackle Willie Parker, Alabama A. M.; defensive back Ezekiel Moore, Missouri Lincoln; linebacker Pete Barnes, Southern; halfback John Brunson, Benedict; defensive back Ken Houston, Prairie View; halfback Woodrow Campbell, Northwestern; guard Henry Hallstock, Missouri Lincoln;

KANSAS CITY — Linebacker Willie Lanier, Morgan; halfback Nolan Smith, Tennessee State; defensive tackle Edward Pope, Jackson; fullback Leswod Simmons, Edward Waters; flanker Dave Lattin, Texas Western;

LOS ANGELES — Halfback Willie Ellison, Texas Southern; defensive back Nate Shaw, Southern California; halfback Tommie Smith, San Jose State; defensive back Leon Moore, Tennessee State;

MIAMI — Fullback Maurice Calhoun, Central State;

MINNESOTA — Halfback Clint Jones, Michigan State; end Gene Washington, Michigan State; end Alan Page, Notre Dame; defensive back Alvin Coleman, Tennessee State;

NEW ORLEANS — Flanker John Gilliam, S.C. State; half-back Don McCall, Southern California; defensive back John Douglas, Texas Southern; guard George Hayward, Kansas; end Sam Harris, Colorado; flanker Charles Rowe, Missouri; flanker Roosevelt Robinson, North Carolina College; defensive back Bernard Corbin, Alabama A and M; flanker John Robinson, Tennessee State;

NEW YORK GIANTS — Tackle Fred Freeman, Mississippi Valley; end Dick Stebbins, Langston;

NEW YORK JETS — Defensive back Henry King, Utah State; defensive back Julian Gray, Grambling; defensive back Lewis Jackson, Grambling; defensives end Jeff Richardson, Michigan State; defensive end Ray Scott, Prairie View; defensive back Raymond Brown, Alcorn;

OAKLAND — Defensive tackle Richard Slight, North Carolina College; halfback Ben Woodson, Utah;

PHILADELPHIA — Halfback Harry Wilson, Nebraska; defensive end Robert Hughes, Jackson; defensive back John Williams, San Diego State; guard Bob Crenshaw, New Mexico State; defensive end Maurice Bates, South Dakota;

PITTSBURGH — Halfback Don Shy, San Diego State; linebacker Ray May, Southern; defensive tackle Mike Reeves, Purdue;

ST. LOUIS — End Dave Williams, Washington; end Jamie Rivers, Bowling Green; end Ted Wheeler, Texas Southern;

SAN DIEGO — Defensive back Bob Howard, San Diego State; flanker Nate Johns, San Diego State; defensive back Sam Carr, Prairie View; halfback John Gibbs, S.C. State;

SAN FRANCISCO — Halfback Bill Tucker, Tennessee State; linebacker Walter Johnson, Tuskegee; linebacker James Hall, Tuskegee; defensive back Rich Briggs, Iowa;

WASHINGTON — Fullback Ray McDonald, Idaho; defensive tackle Spain Musgrove, Utah State, and flanker John Love, North Texas State.

WILLIE LANIER
*Morgan star first KC pick*

## Tom Rolfe stable eyes '67 Preakness

PIMLICO, Md. — Trainer Frank Y. Whiteley, Jr., who saddled Powhatan's Tom Rolfe to win the 1965 Preakness and later earn recognition as 3-year-old of the year, is at it again.

This time he's prepping Mrs. Edith W. Bancroft's Damascus for the Triple Crown classics, and many astute Pimlico observers believe he has a royal shot at the $150,000 Preakness on May 20.

A son of Sword Dancer, Damascus raced only four times last year, winning three and concluding his abbreviated campaign with a victory in the Remsen Stakes at Aqueduct.

Third in the Remsen was Mrs. Ethel D. Jacobs' Reflected Glory, recent winner of Hialeah's Bahamas, Everglades and rich Flamingo Stakes.

## Clippers return to host Bisons

Returning to the Civic Center for the first time in three weeks, the Baltimore Clippers hope to further their playoff bid when they entertain the Buffalo Bisons tomorrow (Saturday) night at 8 p.m.

For the second place Clippers, tomorrow's (Saturday) game launches a rough seige of six games in nine days. Thundering down the home stretch following a successful local skaters won three to 5 - game road trip in which ten, the schedule finds Terry Reardon's minions playing in Rochester and Hershey following the home tilt here with Buffalo, then a home game against Quebec on the 23rd and a final week-end road trip to Springfield and Providence.

## Carroll Park opens Little League plans

The Carroll Park Athletic Association will open its Little League baseball program tomorrow (Saturday) with the first of two registration days.

Youngsters will be enrolled from 12 noon to 3 p.m., and again at the same hours on Saturday, March 5, at the Rogers Memorial Methodist Church, Washington Boulevard and Carey Street.

President Reds Olachowski has announced that boys between 6 and 14 years are eligible for participation in the program which gets under way on May 6.


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## Clay hints he'll take jail to Army

NEW YORK — Heavyweight champion Cassius (Mohammed Ali) Clay stopped just short of saying he would go to jail before he would submit to induction in the Army, here Thursday afternoon at an informal press conference.

Clay disclosed that he will appeal the April 11 induction notice he has received from the Army because if he is drafted "it won't be right."

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CLAY MADE the statement at the offices of the New York State Athletic Commission where he and 34 year old challenger Zora Folley passed official physical examinations for their 15-round title bout at Madison Square Garden next Wednesday night.

He discussed the induction notice freely with newsmen at the commission office, flashing his trainer's attempts to cut short the interview by saying "this is what people want to know."

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ASKED whether he would rather go to jail than serve in the Army, Clay replied, "I won't say, but this could be my last fight for society. If the decision goes against me, it won't be right."

Clay, who claims that war is against the tenets of his Black Muslim faith, was asked how he distinguished between the killing that occurs in war and participating in a sport in which a fighter could be killed.

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"IN THE ring there are officials to prevent things like that," he said. "Referee, doctors, officials, to see that it doesn't happen."

When Clay first was informed of the draft board's actions, he commented about his match against Folley, "this could be my last fight. All those people who want to see the greatest heavyweight champion who ever lived better come and see me now."

Clay said the necessary papers for the appeal would be filed by his attorney, Hayden Covington. The April 11 induction notice was revealed Wednesday by J. Allen Sherman, director of Clay's local draft board in Louisville, Ky.

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IN ADDITION to the appeal, Clay's attorneys have filed a Federal Court suit in Owensboro, Ky., charging that his draft board is illegally constituted because it has no colored members.

U.S. District Judge James Gordon has scheduled a March 28 hearing in Louisville on the suit.

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JUDGE GORDON refused to issue a temporary restraining order blocking Clay's impending induction.

Clay also refused to order a three-judge panel to hear the case, as was requested by Clay's attorneys.

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DEPUTY Kentucky Selective Service Director Marshall Sanders confirmed that there are no colored people on Clay's draft board.

"We have some in Louisville, but not on his (Clay's) board," Sanders said.

Sanders added that board members "are chosen without any consideration of race or political affiliation."

"It is difficult to get people to serve," he added.


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# Afro Sports

## 'Best thing that could happen,' chirps Bubba

EAST LANSING, Mich. — "It is the best thing that could happen, as far as I'm concerned," said Bubba Smith when asked for reaction to his selection by the Baltimore Colts in the pro football draft.

The big Michigan State defensive star, his voice betraying a jubilation he was trying desperately to control, told the AFRO he could think of no club in either professional league that he would rather join.

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SMITH WAS the No. 1 pick among all the college athletes drafted in the first common pool shared by the National and American football leagues.

"I think I'd rate this along with the pleasure I got from being selected on all the All-America teams last fall," Smith asserted. "Baltimore's a great team, Baltimore's a good town and I'm looking forward to coming down early for a visit."

Bubba confided that the Baltimore front office already is mapping plans to bring him to the city sometime next month. He said he was "entirely satisfied" with the bonus and contract terms of the Colts' offer.

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"NATURALLY, all of us were somewhat disappointed when things turned out the way they did about the bonuses. But we were aware the days of big initial payoffs — like those to Mike Garrett and the others — are over. So, the next thing was for us to hope to be chosen by one of the better teams.

"I'm sure happy it was the Colts that got my name. It is the best thing that could happen, as far as I'm concerned."

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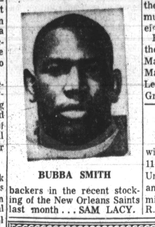
AFRO speculation is that Smith will be used at any one of three spots at first, with a final decision concerning his position to come later.

At Michigan State, he was a bulwark of the Spartan defense, playing end better than any collegian in the country. He suspects that coach Don Shula envisions him as a defensive tackle.

However it is the AFRO theory that Smith will be given a long look at the linebacking job. He is big, strong and extremely mobile. And the Colts lost three linebackers in the recent stocking of the New Orleans Saints last month . . . SAM LACY.



BUBBA SMITH

## Junior Olympic wrestle tourney slated at JCC

The South Atlantic AAU and the Baltimore Jewish Community Center will sponsor the third annual South Atlantic AAU Junior Olympics wrestling championships on Thursday, March 23 and Saturday night, March 25, at the Baltimore Jewish Community Center, 5700 Park Heights Avenue.

Entries are expected from the top junior wrestlers in Maryland and from the Maryland Junior Wrestling League teams: Dumbarton, Grey Manor, Hereford, McKim, J. C.C., Middle River, Police Boys Club, Ridgley, Saint Pauls, Stemmers Run, Dulaney, Woodlawn.

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A TOTAL of 128 wrestlers were entered in the 1966 championships.

The outstanding midget wrestler last year was Bunk Lane of Sparrows Point, and the outstanding junior wrestler was Michael Calvin of J.C.C.

Weigh - ins for the Junior Olympic championships will be held Wednesday, 7 - 10 p.m. at the J. C. C., and Saturday, March 25, at 7:30 p.m.

### MARCH 19

"What Are We Afraid Of?" will be the topic of Sunday's 11 a.m. sermon at the First Unitarian Church, Charles and Franklin Sts., by the minister, the Rev. Dr. Irving R. Murray.

## Army medic's trial date set for May

FORT JACKSOS, S. C. — Capt. Howard Levy, 29 year old Army doctor, will be tried on disloyalty charges beginning May 10th, the Army announced this week.

The New York city native, before joining the Army, had been active in South Carolina voter registration drives.

It is alleged that on occasion he has said that if he were colored, he would not fight in Vietnam, and that he has committed other disloyal acts.


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