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Larry Brown unanimous pick for All-NFC team

By VITO STELLINO

NEW YORK (UPI) — There was no question about Larry Brown's credentials for the United Press International 1972 National Football Conference All-Star team.

A total of 39 football writers from across the nation — three from each conference city — voted for the team and all 39 picked the Washington Redskins' scatback as a running back to make him a unanimous selection.

While Brown, who led all NFC rushers with 1,216 yards even though he sat out the last two games with injuries, was a unanimous choice, the battle for the other running back position between John Brockington of Green Bay and Ron Johnson of the New York Giants was one of the closest at any position. Brockington finally won out by a vote.

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In the year of the running back, there was no doubt that Brown, Brockington and Johnson (all of them black) were the three best NFC running backs. They received all but three votes, which went to Atlanta's Dave Hampton (also black) who got the other second team berth with Johnson.

Joining Brown and Brockington in the first team backfield was Fran Tarkenton, who had a fine season in his first year back at Minnesota even though he couldn't carry the team into the playoffs.

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Gene Washington of San Francisco and Hal Jackson of Philadelphia won the wide receiver spots and Ted Kwalick of San Francisco was named the tight end.

The interior line included Forrest Blue of San Francisco at center, John Niland of Dallas and Tom Mack of Los Angeles at the guards and Rayfield Wright of Dallas and Ron Yary of Minnesota at the tackles.

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The defensive unit consisted of Claude Humphrey of Atlanta and Jack Gregory of New York at the ends, Bob Lilly of Dallas and Alan Page of Minnesota at the tackles, Dick Butkus of Chicago at middle linebacker, Chris Hanburger of Washington and Dave Wilcox of San Francisco at linebackers, Ken Ellis of Green Bay and Lem Barney of Detroit at cornerbacks and Bill Bradley of Philadelphia and Paul Krause of Minnesota at safeties.

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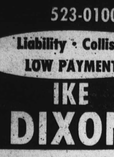
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Morgan 5 breaks even after Gannon debacle

DETROIT — Breathing freely after a chilly experience on Lake Erie, the Morgan State College basketball team is here awaiting the start of the Holiday Festival tournament sponsored by Detroit Institute of Technology.

The Bears defeated the host school Tuesday night, 129-78, obviously caught in a mood to strike back after a 78-72 setback suffered the previous night. The victory gave coach Nat Frazier's youngsters a 4-2 record on the year.

The Monday night loss was to Gannon College on the latter's home court at Erie, Pa. And it came two days late, due to postponements by snow and bad weather.

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But the weather was mild when compared to the hospitality on the basketball court.

The Bears were victimized at the free-throw line. Despite the fact they outshootnig Detroit from floor, the visitors were plastered with 42 foul calls to 19 for the home club.

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Here Tuesday night, the Bears had the edge. Tech was hit with 43 infractions to 21 for Morgan.

However, the Baltimoreans were much the best, outshotting Detroit from the floor and winning by 51 points.

At Gannon, the loss by six points.

S. Diego vows fight against Padre DC move

SAN DIEGO — The city of San Diego will take legal action against the San Diego Padres if the National League baseball team moves to Washington, D.C., according to City Attorney John Witt.

Witt added Tuesday he had no official knowledge of any move. Indications for the past week are the Padres are planning to switch to the nation's capital.

"Our position," Witt said, "is that we have a valid contract (for use of San Diego Stadium) with the Padres for 20 years. Only if the Padres move — if the contract were breached — would the city make such a move."

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Speculation has been rife for sometime that co-owners Buzzy Bavasi and C. Arnholdt Smith are desperate for relief from the San Diego franchise. This speculation increased during the baseball meetings in Honolulu and heightened even more in recent weeks when Bavasi flew to New York for a meeting with commissioner Bowie Kuhn.

Aside from the disappointing attendance figures, the Padre management has been unablet o do anything about improving the radio-TV situation.

Air-sponsors have pulled out because the city, which operates the stadium, persists in advertising products which conflict with their own.

Bavasi feels that this is sufficient evidence of a breach of contract by the city.

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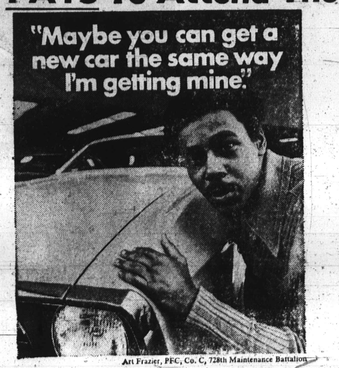
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Joe Thomas to be new coach of the '73 Baltimore Colts

By SAM LACY
AFRO Sports Editor

The Baltimore Colts are not likely to have a good coach in the foreseeable future.

General manager Joe Thomas made it clear at a Wednesday news conference, that he will see to that. He plans to be it.

The new front-office boss of the once-proud Baltimore eleven announced Wednesday the firing of interim coach John Sandusky and his entire staff of assistants. At the same time, he stated that he had no likely successor in mind.

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Later, in answer to assorted questions, Thomas declared he is determined to have a "new look" in "his" team, that he will hire the best coach available, "although a coach isn't important," and that he will not hesitate to "advise" the new man when he (Thomas) considers it necessary.

These are the more salient points to be noted from the hastily-called conference at the Colts' Howard Street office. And it is the obvious attitude behind the statements which convinces this writer that he town shouldn't expect competence on the sidelines on 33rd Street next fall.

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In the first place, any proven coach will be reluctant to leave the security of his present job to take on an assignment where he knows ahead of time that his future would be in the hands of an unpredictable, demagogic employer.

If such a coach does display such willingness, his confidence in his own ability must be suspect.

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In the second place, if the new man is a former pro coach or an ex-tutor of the college level, the conclusion as to his ability would have to be tempered by a s question: Why the "ex" if he's any good?

Thirdly, a successful college coach would probably think twice before pulling up stakes to enter the hectic world of the pros. He might decide that life may even be better with a hungry alumni looking over his shoulder than with a boss who has hinted beforehand that meddling is not only permissible, but to be expected.

DECEMBER 28

"The Shoemaker and the Elves," "The Steadfast Tin Soldier" and "The Town Musicians," films at the Pratt Library's Edmondson Avenue Branch, 2 p.m.

NAVY SEAMAN RECRUIT JAMES E. LEMON, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lemon, Rosewood Ave., graduated from recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

Justices oppose plan for new court

WASHINGTON — Two associate justices and a former chief don't believe a new court to reduce the workload of the Supreme Court is needed.

A Committee of lawyers and professors, headed by Prof. Paul A. Freund of Harvard Law School, said an extra judicial body is needed because the high court's load of cases coming up through lower federal courts, and from state supreme courts, has greatly increased in recent years.

Opposition to the plan has come from former Chief Justice Earl Warren and from Justice Potter Stewart who has sat on the court 14 years.

In a recent interview for the Harvard Law Record, Stewart said the caseload "is neither intolerable nor impossible" at the present time.

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Justice William O. Douglas said recently in an opinion that the court is "vastly underworked" rather than overworked.

The report noted that from 1961 to 1971 filings on the court's regular docket increased from 713 to 1,718. Pauper cases, filed by persons who cannot afford the cost of an appeal, numbered 517 in 1961 and 1,930 in 1971.

The new national court of appeals, proposed in the report, would sift through all these cases, retain some to decide itself, pass along about 400 of the most important ones to the Supreme Court and reject the rest. A rejection would be the final disposition of the case.

Freund said the plan would eliminate much of the screening the justices must now do. He said they might well be able to accept more cases for argument out of the 400 they would get from the new appeals court than they now normally hear. About 150 cases are usually argued during a term.

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The new court would be composed of judges from the eleven circuits serving staggered, three-year terms. They would return to their former posts when their terms ended.

The committee also recommended eliminating the special three-judge federal courts, composed of combinations of district and circuit judges, which handle—among other things—challenges to the constitutionality of state and federal laws.

Appeals from these courts, which bypass courts of appeal and go straight to the Supreme Court, impose "heavy and unnecessary burdens" on the justices, the report said.

It also suggested establishment of a non-judicial body to hear complaints of mistreatment of prisoners. Members of this body might mediate disputes and thus forestall lawsuits, Freund said.

Barbers protest court ruling on beauticians

Barbers in Baltimore are "up in arms" over Supreme Bench Judge James A. Perwitt's Dec. 4 ruling that licensed beauticians are allowed to cut men's hair.

Already Master Barbers' (shop owners) Guild No. 59, and Journeymans Barbers Local 241 have announced their members will refuse to renew their yearly barber licenses.

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Pinkney Howell, secretary-treasurer of the all black Local 795, told the AFRO on Monday the union will not have an official opinion until the January meeting but stated the members are in accord with the other locals.

Local 795 represent about 80 shop owners and 120 journeymen barbers in Baltimore.

"The question barbers now have," Mr. Pinkney commented, "is which license do you need to 1) cut hair and 2) work with chemicals."

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He added, "The state has to give a statement to explain what consists of barbering and what consists of cosmetology."

The members of his local, he stated, are "up in arms" over the confusion created by the judge's ruling.

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LEFT TO RIGHT: Mrs. Elva Edwards, Associate Director — MCA; City Councilman Clarence "Du" Burns, Advisor to the Project's Board of Directors which is based in his district; Mrs. Hattie Harrison, Chairman of the Board; Mayor Schaefer; Mr. Norman Ross, Cultural Arts Director.
MODEL CITIES CULTURAL ARTS
This month we are proud to salute our Cultural Arts Project. On December 13, 1972, Mayor Schaefer paid tribute to the staff and Board of the Model Cities Cultural Arts Project, along with William O. Sykes, Director who stated that this project has not only worked towards exposure and development of talents in model neighborhood residents, but it has coordinated its efforts with local colleges and universities, Center Stage, Young Audiences, Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, Baltimore Museum of Art and other well-known organizations in the cultural field.
This is a project designed to awaken and develop talents in model neighborhood residents who, heretofore, have been unable to recognize or finance their interests and abilities in the arts. It has also provided exposure to the numerous cultural and educational activities in the and neighboring cities. The eight Cultural Arts centers are staffed and operated by experts in music, dance, drama and creative arts. This past summer, the project conducted an Expanded Summer Workshop in conjunction with the Maryland Arts Council and the Expansion Arts Program of the National Endowment for the Arts. Courses were conducted in piano, guitar, band, music theory, modern dance, art, sculpture, photography, drama, speech and creative writing. There was also a jazz artist-in-residence which provided lectures, demonstrations and master classes in jazz for the students in the workshop. This Workshop attracted a total of 300 young people.
During the last 8 months, the Cultural Arts activities involved 104,838 persons, including preteens, teens and adults (male and female). The project is under the sponsorship of the Neighborhood Parents Club, Inc. headed by Mrs. Hattie Harrison.
It is our firm belief that the commitment of this project's staff under the capable leadership of Mr. Norman Ross to the needs and interests of model neighborhood residents has contributed to the success of the project.
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