South Carolina signs former MEAC cage coach

Forty-year-old Ben Jobe, who spent the last two winters coaching in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference against Howard, Morgan and other predominately-black college teams, has been signed as an assistant basketball coach at the University of South Carolina.

Jobe, a veteran of 12 years in the game, spent the last five as head coach at South Carolina State. He was largely instrumental in steering the Orangeburg school into the MEAC when it was organized in 1970 — with Howard, Morgan, A and T.N.C. Central, Maryland-Eastern Shore and Delaware State.

BEN JOBE
New Gamecock aide

He retired earlier this year from S.C. State but gave no indication that he was under consideration for the Gamecock job vacated by white Bill Loving at S.C.

In his 12 years at Talladega, Alabama State and S.C. State, Jobe showed a record of 232 wins against 73 defeats.

He was named coach of the year in the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and of NAIA District 6 in 1969.

"It's a pleasure to have him join us," said head coach Frank McGuire. "I have been tremendously impressed with his background and knowledge of the game."

Jobe, a native of Nashville, Tenn., said his decision to accept McGuire's offer and remain in coaching was influenced "by the man at the helm.

"In my estimation there are just a handful — less than five — basketball coaches in the country with charisma, the intangibles, that make them stand out above the others," Jobe said.

"Coach McGuire is one of these. Any coach would be proud to join the staff of such a man."

Boxing experts clash on merits of heavies

On one of the those rare occasions when two boards of boxing experts release ratings simultaneously, the World Boxing Council (WBC) and Ring Magazine are in disagreement concerning the merits of the heavyweight contenders.

The WBC ratings made public last weekend list Ken Norton as the No. 1 challenger to champion George Foreman. They placed Muhammad Ali, whom Norton beat for his lofty recognition, No. 2, and former champion Joe Frazier No.

Ring Magazine, at the same time, made Frazier the top contender with Norton second and Ali third in line.

Jerry Quarry, the first white boxer in the standings, is ranked No. 4 by the magazine, one notch ahead of ex-WBA champ Jimmy Ellis.

The WBC reverses this order, with Ellis Fourth and Quarry fifth.

Comebacking Ernie Terrell was accorded a No. 7 rating by Ring but was ignored completely by the WBC.

Britain's Joe Bugner, whom Ali whipped and who will fight Frazier July 2 in London, was given No. 7 by WBC, but was stuck on as a No. 10 afterthought in place of Oscar Bonavena by Ring Mag.

John Conteh, the black British light-heavyweight contender, was the No. 2 threat to King Bob Foster according to Ring, but was in sixth place on WBC's list . . . Lacy.

California court's edict may aid young Sooner QB

Kerry Jackson
chance for reinstatement?

Wade Walker cautioned that "each case would be dealt with on its own merit" but said the ruling apparently sets a precedent.

Oklahoma forfeited eight games in which Jackson played last season, including the Sugar Bowl victory over Penn State. Neither the Big Eight Conference nor the NCAA has accepted the forfeits, nor have they completed their investigation of the case.

Colts Corrals hold annual convention

OCEAN CITY — Over 800 members of the Baltimore Colts Corrals will participate in their seventh annual convention here this weekend.

The unique fan group, with chapters throughout Maryland and Delaware along with Corral No. 954 of the Maryland Penitentiary, will highlight their celebration with tomorrow's (Saturday) parade marshalled by Hall of Famer Jim Parker, and a dance later in the day at Convention Hall featuring Jimmy Dorsey's Orchestra.

The parade will include floats from each of the 22 Colts Corrals and approximately 10 marching bands. Awards will be presented Saturday night to the outstanding units in the parade and to the winning Corral floats.

Martyr of Munich enters Kennedy Games

BERKELEY, Calif. (UPI) — Sprinter Eddie Hart, the Olympic 100-meter co-favorite who missed the semifinals in Munich because he had been given the wrong starting time, will come out of retirement for Saturday's fifth annual Kennedy Games here.

Hart anchored the U.S. team to a victory in the 400-meter relay at Munich and has not run since, but he'll go in the sprint relay and possibly the 220 tomorrow (Saturday).

Tornado warning loses battle with soccer ace

By SAM LACY
AFRO Sports Editor

Undaunted by a National Weather Service "Tornado watch" forecast which prevailed through the entire first half of the game, some 26,000 Baltimore fans— 24,600 of them cash customers — turned out Wednesday night to watch a soccer game at Memorial Stadium.

The lure, if the reader will bear with an understatement, was a black athlete named Edsin Arantes do Nasciento, who answers to the more easily handled monicker of "Pele."

They came, many bringing with them little or no knowledge of the game, to see the man who is internationally recognized as the greatest soccer star ever to grace the planet Earth.

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They were not disappointed.

Pele scored three goals and set up a fourth with a pass off some deft footwork to lead his Santos team to a 6-4 victory over the home-standing Baltimore Rays.

A large number of Washingtonians in the audience gained more than a small measure of satisfaction when Alvin Henderson, a standout on Howard University's 1972 champions, matched the Pele effort with three goals for the losers.

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While Pele and his touring South American teammates held center stage, it must be said for Jim Karvellas' local pro entry that it won many friends.

After recovering from their first half jitters, the Bays acquitted themselves well and came much closer than anyone expected to stealing the thunder.

And speaking of thunder, the ominous weather outlook hovered over the area until shortly after 10 p.m., when the bureau finally lifted the "Tornado watch." It first reduced the warning to severe thunderstorms, then quited.

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Pete, who declared earlier through an interpreter that the name "Pele" in the Portuguese language means "Nothing," belied that Wednesday. According to Bays players and experts (whom this reporter asked), the 165-pound takeoff of an American running back is "something else."

I take their word for it. As little as I know about the mechanics of the game, I couldn't say otherwise.

It may come to pass that Kerry Jackson will be the University of Oklahoma quarterback next fall, after all.

A ruling by a California court last weekend figures to have a definite hearing on the case in which Jackson and another Sooner freshman were ruled ineligible because their school records showed tampering.

Both youngsters were absolved of wrongdoing when officials admitted they knew nothing of what occurred.

Jackson and defensive end Mike Phillips were declared ineligible last spring when Oklahoma officials admitted that their Galveston (Tex.) Ball High School transcripts had been changed to raise their class

Grade predictions, based on the higher standings, allowed them to comply with an NCAA requirement that they be expected to make a C-minus (1.6) grade average during their first semester at OU.

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The grade prediction requirement was earlier ruled unconstitutional by U.S. District Judge Thomas J. McBride in Sacramento, Calif.

The judge also issued a preliminary restraining order prohibiting the NCAA from assessing penalties against Sacramento State University for allowing athletes to play in violation of the rule.

The Associated Students at Sacramento State filed the suit against the NCAA on behalf of 13 athletes, alleging the use of predictions of test scores discriminated against minority students.

The judge said the prediction rule, which the NCAA voted to abolish beginning with the 1974-75 academic year, is a violation of the equal protection provisions of the U.S. Constitution.

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"We are real encouraged about it. We feel this should apply to all 16 predictor students because it would be discriminating against some if it didn't apply to all," Sooner football coach Barry Switzer said.

OU athletic director Wade Walker cautioned that "each case would be dealt with on its own merit" but said the ruling apparently sets a precedent.

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7-day reunion planned in N.C.

The Booker T. Washington Association, a Rocky Mount, N.C. group of former students, graduates, teachers and friends of Lincoln High School and Booker T. Washington High School, has announced it will hold a week long celebration for its first annual reunion. A spokesman for the group said the first week of July has been selected for the get together.

Jesse A. Williams (Booker Yancey) has requested Baltimoreans interested in knowing more about the celebration to call him at 235-5188 or 276-577.

Ashe draws Laver after Lutz win

Arthur Ashe broke his long television fast last weekend, by defeating Bob Lutz, 6-4, 6-1, in straight sets.

It was the second match of the taped CBS Tennis Classic, the first of which showed Rod Laver downing Alex Metroveli.

The two victories set up an Aug. 5th quarter-finals match between Ashe and Laver, in the series staged at Hilton Head, S.C.

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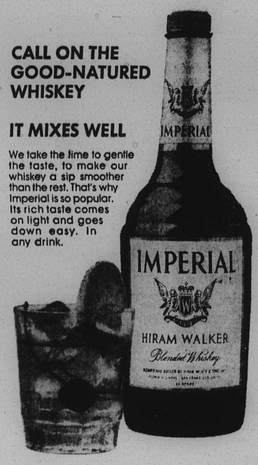

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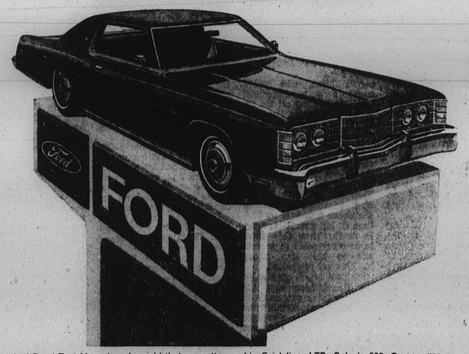

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Keaser wrestles against Russian

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Ex-Navy wrestling captain Lloyd Keaser, now a lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps, has been chosen to wrestle in a dual meet against the Soviet Union at Madison Square Garden, New York tonight (Friday).

A three-time Eastern titlist as a midshipman, Keaser is the National AAU freestyle champion at 149½.

The young Baltimore native was also a member of the United States squad in the recent World Cup matches.

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Gary Jenkins
ex-Poly standout

Baltimore lad at Cincinnati U.

CINCINNATI — Gary Jenkins, former Baltimore Polytechnic and Baltimore J.C. star athlete, earned his first varsity letter with the University of Cincinnati baseball team this spring. Gary, a junior, lettered the past two years with the football team as a tight end and fullback.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Jenkins of Baltimore, Gary led the Bearcat baseballers in home runs with four. He played in 27 games, dividing his time between third base and left field.

Although he hit only .224 on the season, his slugging percentage was a lusty .448, with three doubles and four homers among his 15 hits. He also drove 12 teammates across the plate.

Cline finished with a 22-17 record, third most wins in school history.

Skins acquire tight end Alvin Reed from Oilers

The Washington Redskins early this week acquired tight end Alvin Reed from the Houston Oilers in exchange for either a fifth or sixth round draft choice in 1974.

Reed, who had been with the Oilers since 1967, was signed out of Prairie View A/M as a free agent.

The 6-5 235-pound Reed caught 19 passes for 251 yards last season. He will begin his seventh season this year.

Reed, 28, led the Oilers in 1969 with 51 receptions and in 1970 with 47. In his six-year career he has caught 199 passes for 2,818 yards, and 11 touchdowns.

"Alvin will give us depth and experience at tight end," said head coach and general manager George Allen. "He was an all-star in 1969 and 1970 and will be an improvement in our program."

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Morgan linebacker acquired by Colts

The Baltimore Colts announced early this week that they have acquired former Morgan State College linebacker Stan Cherry.

Cherry, overlooked in the National Football League draft last winter, was later signed as a free agent by the New England Patriots. The latter put him on waivers and Baltimore picked him up.

No tax, no sweat; AFRO for stadium

By SAM LACY
AFRO Sports Editor

Operating on the theory that it is better to work at keeping what you have than trying to regain what you have lost, the AFRO stands firmly behind the building of a new stadium.

The issue of whether to, or not to, remains the major point of discussion in Baltimore as the weekend nears. Arguing for a new structure is a faction made up of sports-conscious citizens and a majority of news media individuals. Opposed is the group comprised of money-oriented residents and politicians.

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It is the feeling here that, so long as Gov. Mandel and Mayor Schaefer are willing to stake their offices on the vow that public money will not be involved in the project, there should be no hesitance about proceeding with the new structure.

This paper has withheld judgment on the proposal until such time as it emerged from the purely talking stage. That time arrived Wednesday with the long-anticipated recommendation by the Stadium Authority that the Camden Street site utilized for the new complex.

In the recommendation was the revelation that a feasibility study proved that an all-new, all-including layout suitable for every type of athletic and convention promotion, is preferable to renovation of the antedated Memorial Stadium on 33rd St.

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Opponents were divided into two factions. One backed off from the threat of increased taxes, or more new taxes, to satisfy the need for public funding. The other held that the expenditure of close to $100 million is too great a risk to take in an era of rising costs and growing inflation.

These latter forces assert that new stadia in other cities have proved to be white-elephant wastes. Neither Three Rivers Stadium at Pittsburgh, River Front Stadium at Cincinnati, Busch Stadium at St. Louis, Veterans Stadium at Philadelphia, nor RFK Stadium in Washington, has helped the city's economy, they contend.

There is some general agreement, but what there is may be tempered by the evidence that, whether they helped or not, they did not hurt. In Pittsburgh and Cincinnati, the situations are self-sustaining. In St. Louis and Philadelphia, the major sources of stadium revenue are baseball and football teams which offer little incentive for public support. And RFK in D.C. can hardly be categorized as new.

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In order to refurbish Memorial Stadium to present day standards, no less than $30 million would have to be allocated. And patched pants serve the purpose only temporarily.

If the chiefs of state and city are positive that the cost will not be relayed to the public pocketbook, the AFRO supports the new project.

Especially since the Orioles and Colts have already dropped unmistakeable hints that they will seek refuge elsewhere if they aren't given new living quarters.

U.S. charges blockbusting by Fla. broker

WASHINGTON — The Department of Justice filed a civil suit charging a real estate broke in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., with blockbusting and other violations of the Fair Housing Act.

The housing discrimination suit was filed in U.S. District Court in Miami, against Mortimer I. Robbins, president of M. I. Robbins Realty Company.

The suit charged that Robbins has engaged in unlawful housing practices that have perpetuated racial segregation and promoted resegregation in the Fort Lauderdale area.

Ashe outs DC star in Paris

PARIS (UPI) — Playing in heavy drizzle, fourth seed Arthur Ashe reached the last 16 in the men's singles of the $133,00 French Open Tennis Championships Wednesday with a 7-6, 6-2, 6-7, 6-4 win over Harold Solomon of Silver Spring, Md.

The match was interrupted by rain Tuesday night with Ashe leading 4-3 in what was to become the final set. When play resumed, the rain had eased up from a steady downpour to mere heavy drizzle and officials decided to try to finish off the match.

Ashe obliged them in six minutes. Solomon was forced to serve for the match at 5-4 and Ashe proved the better weather player.

Ashe played one confident set and three nervous ones. Solomon kept him pinned to the baseline whenever possible and capitalized on Ashe's forehand lapses to keep level.

When Ashe managed to work his way up to the net, the point would invariably be lost for Solomon.

Albany offers new courses

ALBANY, Ga. — According to an announcement by President Charles L. Hayes, Albany State College is now offering additional graduate courses in education commencing with the summer quarter of 1973.

According to Dr. William Lightfoot, director of the graduate program additional information may be secured by writing or calling the Office of Admissions, Albany State College, 912/435-3411, Ext. 211.

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