'AL Star Parade award to Allen

NEW YORK (UPI) Chicago slugging first baseman Dick Allen, the American League's MVP in 1972, was named the recipient of the American League Star Parade Award, Tuesday.

Allen drove in 17 runs and slammed four homers during the week of June 2-9, including a grand slam home run. Allen averaged .407 for the week, including a triple and double in his 11-for-27 pace.

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Morgan-Grambling tilt shifted to D.C. Sept. 28

Yankee Stadium's loss will be Washington's gain when Grambling College meets Morgan State College Sept. 28 at RKF Stadium here.

Coaches Eddie Robinson (Grambling) and Nat Taylor (Morgan) showed up at the Washington Touchdown Club earlier this week to talk about the game, which will benefit the Dutch Bergman Scholarship Fund of Touchdown Club Charities, Inc.

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Held annually at Yankee Stadium in New York City since 1968, the Grambling-Morgan State clash changed sites this year because of renovations going on at "The House that Ruth Built."

The New York Yankee baseball club has been playing its home games at Shea Stadium on Long Island, while their home field gets a much-needed face-lifting. It should be ready by 1975.

Interestingly, the Grambling game itself has caused a schedule shift here.

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Howard University already has a home Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference clash with South Carolina State slated for that same Sept. 28 afternoon.

So, Howard athletic director Lee Miles announced at the Touchdown Club that the Bisons will shift their game back to Friday night, hopefully under the lights at RFK Stadium.

That move came as little surprise. A popular attraction since its beginnings, the Grambling-Morgan game would probably siphon off much of the attendance at Howard Field should the Bisons decide to go ahead with their original Saturday afternoon kickoff. — BURKE.

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Johnny Sample plea for family rejected

Former pro grid star Sample given 3 years

PHILADELPHIA — Former pro football player Johnny Sample was sentenced to three years in prison Monday for violating a probation placed on him in 1973 following his conviction for cashing stolen government checks.

Sample, who played with the 1968 Super Bowl champion New York Jets, was sentenced by U.S.District Court Judge Daniel H. Huyett 3rd.

Huyett sentenced Sample, 36, in March, 1973, placing his on three years probation and fining him $1,000 for cashing $7,400 in government checks, stolen from the mails.

Huyett revoked Sample's probation last May 28 on grounds he had accepted $4,500 in stolen U.S. Treasury Department checks from two men with the promise to pay one-third of their face value when the checks cleared a bank.

In ordering the prison term, Huyett said "The violation of probation is a serious matter. I cannot ignore the seriousness of it."

Huyett said "This is a strong case. I am satisfied with the facts."

The judge said he had given Sample "the benefit of the doubt" with the original probation sentence.

Sample, speaking in his own behalf, twice told the court, "I did not fence any federal checks for anyone. I didn't do anything wrong.

Sample, who is married and has three children, asked the judge to consider his family and "the hardship on them."

Sample operates a ticket agency in West Philadelphia.

Ex-Bear Nock signs WFL pact

Former Morgan State College running back George Nock is in Oakdale, N.Y., under contract to the New York Stars of the World Football League.

Nock, 5-10, 205, who played with the New York Jets from 1969-71 and the Washington Redskins in 1972, and Al Davis, 5-11, 215, from Tennessee State, who spent the 1971 season with the Philadelphia Eagles have joined the team in training for the WFL season which begins next month.

Prep marksman joins A&T five

GREENSBORO, N.C. — James Sorrow, a 6-6 guard from Brooklyn, New York, has signed an athletic grant-in-aide to attend North Carolina A and T State University.

All 4 men vow to win on 2-fight card Monday

By Sam Lacy

"Bringing it off may be a little sticky — rather a bit on the impossible side — but all four fighters scheduled to appear on closed-circuit boxing Monday night swear they will win.

Since there are only two matches on top — a condition that usually produces two winners under modern major-fight rules — it should be safe to assume that two of these fellows are talking through their mouthpieces.

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But Joe Frazier vows he'll whip Jerry Quarry, and Quarry insists he's going to drub Frazier in the heavyweight event at Madison Square Garden.

And Bob Foster promises a licking to Jorge Ahumada in the light-heavyweight title bout in Albuquerque.

So — what else? You guessed right: Jorge, through manager Gil Clancy, declares Bob is in for the surprise of his life.

The Frazier vs. Quarry — Foster vs. Ahumada doubleheader is set for screening at Baltimore's Civic Center and Washington's (D.C.) Coliseum, commencing at 10 p.m.

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All four men were on the telephone Monday, to answer questions fired by the Baltimore-D.C. press corps from a downtown luncheon.

Frazier declared he is in the best shape he has known since his first fight with Muhammad Ali; that he is dead serious mentally and looking forward eagerly to the day he will get his second chance against champion George Foreman.

"I won't let Jerry stand in the way of that."

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Quarry, meanwhile, insisted that he is a new man in every respect — physically fit, mentally aware and ready to resume his campaign designed to corner his long-time tormentor, Ali.

"After Ali, Foreman," bristled Jerry.

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Foster, repeating the outspoken assurance that he is not taking newcomer Ahumada lightly, asserted: "He'll go in about six (rounds), though."

Ahumoda, a fresh light-heavy from Argentina, told his spokesman to make it clear that he isn't the least worried by Foster.

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Baltimore star signs with VSC

PETERSBURG — Joe McDaniels, a 6 foot-5, 225-pound forward from Baltimore, Md., has signed a basketball grant-in-aid with Virginia State College.

Virginia State basketball coach Harold Deane announced the signing last week of McDaniels, a graduate of Frederick Douglass High School where he averaged 24.8 points and 18.5 rebounds per game last season.

McDaniels was named to the first squad for both the All- Metro team and the All-State team and was nominated as a high school All- American.

Coach Deane described McDaniels as "very smooth, very smart and strong with good jumping and shooting abilities.

"I'm very happy to sign him," the coach added.

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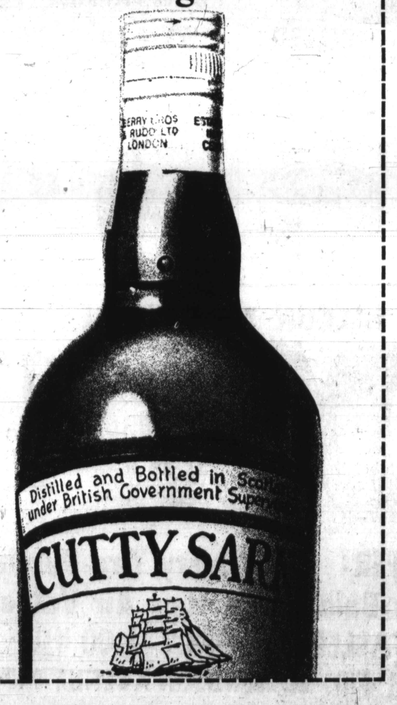

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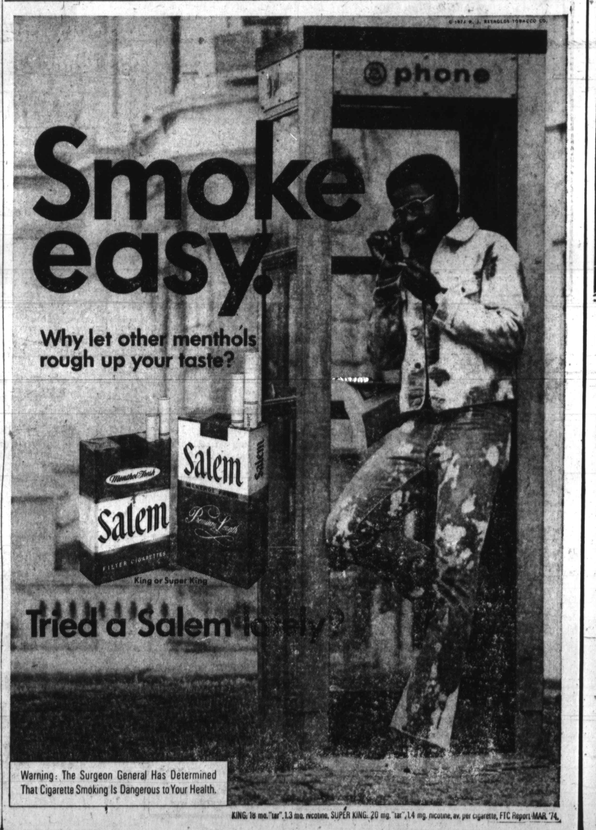

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Power to the Governors

By Don and Val Hymes

Watergate went to the National Governors Conference — and so did Maryland's corruption scandals — in spite of warnings that such an unsavory subject was not invited to the elegant Olympic Hotel in Seattle.

"If Watergate comes up," said last year's chairman, Maryland's Marvin Mandel, it will be only because the media brings it up."

But as determined as the governors were to stick to the issues of health care, land use and their frustrations with the federal government, Watergate was very much present, if only mentioned indirectly.

First there was the resentment over the refusal of both the President and the Vice President to attend the conference. Then when the panel called States and Ethics in Government came to the floor, the Watergates burst and the issue spilled out in waves of bitterness and concern.

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More than half of the governors said the states must lead the way in restoring public confidence. This could be done by requiring open meetings, legislating campaign reform and financial disclosure for officials and lobbyists, and enforcing strict codes of ethics, their resolution said.

Others likt Virginia's Mills Godwin, took "strong-exception" to the idea that just because their states didn't come through with exactly what Common Cause wanted, they were singled out as "backward."

"These self-appointed guardians of public morality are working on the assumption that we are guilty until proven innocent," said Godwin, noting slyly that Common Cause did not file its lobbying report on time in his state.

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Common Cause's John Gardner did praise 40 states for moving toward reform, and attacked Congress for doing as little as it could get away with.

That's when Marvin Mandel made his big move of the session. He was chosen to react to the ethics panel, which included Gardner and several Nixon critics.

"Sure, something needs to be done," Mandel said, "to prevent more abuses."

"But when," he asked, "are we going to do something about the corruptors who are patted on the back and sent merrily on their way?

"When," he added with his voice rising, "are we going to do something about the giant corporations who are fined $500 while the roof falls in on the little guy who violates an election law?"

Gardner said that the abuses were deeply rooted in politics and government, and warned, "Uprooting them will be uncomfortable and inconvenient for a lot of politicians, a lot of bureaucrats, and some of the deeply entrenched special interests."

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But Mandel protested that this same 200-year-old system had made us the greatest nation in the world. Some of the governors agreed heartily with Mandel, but others did not. Many of these were Republicans who said they had heard the cry of a disillusioned public and moved for hard, strong legislation.

And one-time Attorney General Elliot Richardson, a potential Republican candidate for President, declared, "It is critical now that we take advantage of what Watergate has given us."

The man who faced Spiro Agnew head-on in a Baltimore courtroom said there are a vast number of "thoughtful, decent Americans out there looking for people with integrity. They will feel even more helpless in relation to a massive, impersonal structure" if we do not act to restore their confidence, he added.

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There was talk about a "third force" to mobilize the disillusioned from both parties. Oregon's Republican Gov. Tom McCall has traveled the country to drum up support as a means of "putting to the fire the feet of the leaders of both major parties" — a frank scare tactic.

Gov. George Wallace was not at the meeting, but his constituents were.

And all the governors knew it.

That was clear when Richardson, said "Watergate might now become a watershed of power moving back through the states to the people," and when former Gov. Terry Sanford called on the governors to counsel the President on domestic issues, and then go back with the word to the cities and counties.

"Who knows," said Sanford, "we might even get to the point where people feel they are part of government."

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The civilian labor force at 1,781,800 was a gain of some 20,000 from March and almost 68,000 over the year.

Statewide unemployment declined by 1,500 from March and 2,300 over the year to total an estimated 55,900.

The rate of unemployment was 3.1 percent in April, compared to 3.3 percent in March and 3.4 percent in April, 1973.

Employment in the Baltimore Metropolitan Area advanced by 7,300 from March to total 846,400, representing also, a gain of 7,300 over last year.

The civilian labor force increased by 6,300 between March and April to an estimated 870,500, a gain of 5,900 over April, 1973.

Unemployment in the Baltimore area fell by 1,000 over the month to 24,100, a decline of 1,400 over the year. The rate of unemployment in April was 2.8 percent, compared to 2.9 percent in March and 3.0 percent last April.

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Evening summer adult courses at Eastern

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Subject offerings will include typing, shorthand, office practice, bookkeeping and data processing. The student may take any one course during the summer session and will receive one full year of credit for the eight week program.

The Eastern Evening Adult Center will operate from June 10, through Aug. 14. The late afternoon session will be conducted from 4 to 6:40 p.m., Monday through Thursday of each week.

Registration for the session will be held at the school at 4 p.m., on June 10. A two dollar materials fee will be required for most courses.

An evening session will also be conducted at this adult center from 7-9:40 p.m. High school credit courses, business education subjects as well as a high school equivalency program will be available.

A special class for foreign born adults needing help in learning how to speak, read and write English will meet two evenings per week.

A driver education class for adults will be available if a minimum of twenty persons, 21 years of age or over, are interested. The program will consist of ten hours of classroom plus six hours of behind the wheel instruction. A tuition fee of fifty dollars will be required for driver education.

For more information about these Adult Education programs as well as other opportunities for adults throughout Baltimore during the summer months call 467-4000, Extension 439, 443 or 2326.

OOPS — Salzburg, Austria — President Richard Nixon slips on the wet ramp of Air Force One, the Spirit of '76, as he and Mrs. Nixon start up to get in the plane. Right is a black secret service guard who keeps his cool but still has a watchful eye for everything. UPI Telephoto.

Coast Guard needs few honest people

Coast Guard recruiters in the Baltimore area have begun a search for high school juniors, 17 years of age or older, who may be interested in a summer job in uniform.

The new program will allow the students to enlist into a special category of the Coast Guard Reserve. This summer, before they begin their senior year of high school, the enlistees will go to a 10-week basic training at Cape May, New Jersey.

Upon successful completion of this training they will return to their hometown and attend Reserve meetings in their final year of high school. After graduating from high school they will go on active duty for a minimum of 12 weeks, possibly longer if they qualify and elect to attend a service school.

Although the program is designed for juniors, qualified seniors and other bonafide students planning to attend college may be accepted for enlistment.

Applicants for the program must attain qualifying scores on the usual mental and physical examinations. Seventeen-year-olds will need their parent's or guardian's permission.

Pay for recruits is now $326 a month. The new, distinct Coast Guard blue uniform will be issued free to the recruits upon reporting. Food and lodging during the training period is provided.

After completing the second summer of training reservists will affiliate with local reserve units either one evening a week or one weekend a month depending on the area and type of unit they are assigned to. A two-week active duty period is required each year.

Some of the occupational opportunities available to the youths are small boat handling, navigation, clerical, financial, electronics, port safety, mechanics, medical, photography and many others.

The Coast Guard Recruiter at CUSTOM HOUSE, RM 401, can provide details.

Appeals Court upholds back pay decision

The Maryland Court of Appeals has upheld a Superior Court of Baltimore decision to grant full back pay to two groups of city employees who were brought into the State Merit System in 1972.

The two court cases involved the Baltimore City Sheriffs and the Election Board employees. These employees were entitled to an increased salary after the Maryland General Assembly acted to include both group in the State Merit System.

When the city failed to act promptly on the state directive, the Maryland Classified Employees Association initiated litigation on behalf of the employees.

Late last year, the Superior Court decidedin favor of the employees' group. Baltimore City paid the back salaries totalling over $100,000. However the city filed an appeal to negate the court's decision.

Had the city been successful, the Sheriffs and Election Board employees would have been obligated to return the money.

5,000 celebrate African liberation movements

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More than 5,000 people, most of them of high school and college age, and all of them black, gathered in Malcolm X Park, 16th and Euclid St., NW, this weekend for the third annual African Liberation Day.

From the park location, the group then paraded in a march downtown and returned to the park site later in what was to become a colorful and exciting display of black solidarity with African liberation interests.

Placards bore such slogans as "Stop imperialism, colonialism and oppression;" and others called for the impeachment of Nixon.

Many of those participating wore colorful African costumes or guerrilla-type fatigues. The echoes of the drums and tambourines could be heard for blocks.

Especially was it heard in front of such embassies as that of Portugal, South Africa, and others representing countries where blacks are subject to white rule in their own homelands.

Speakers such as chairman Gene Locke, Imamu Baraka and Owusu Sadaukri called for the overthrow of the colonialists in Africa and spoke positively of the future of such efforts.

Mention was made of the recent upset in Portugal itself. Praise was given for Guinea Bissau, a newly liberated country.

Locke said that the conflict will continue with increasing success.

He said that observers should look to see Mozambique, Angola and Rhodesia liberated in the near future.

The climax of the whole episode, he predicted, would be the last and final overthrow of the South African government which is white.

Some speakers called for the removal of all whites from the continent of Africa.

Ambassadors of several African countries which are already independently ruled by blacks, joined in the weekend celebrations. The ambassadors from Nigeria, especially, had warm words of praise for the show of solidarity.

In Washington, also, members of the various African embassies which are also a part of the Organization for African Unity issued a statement regarding the observances.

"We the African ambassadors in this city, take this opportunity to assure our many American friends of our continued determination to work with them in pursuit of and in search for international peace that will assure both of our peoples the where withal to pursue economic and political goals in an atmosphere devoid of fear, prejudice or any animosity."

The statement continued, "On the occasion of African Liberation Day, we salute the freedom fighters of Zimbabwe, Namibia, Angola, Mozambique and all other territories still under foreign domination."

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A special concert was held at the T. P. Warner theatre downtown on Saturday night. Dick Gregory, Gil Scott Heron and Wayne Davis were featured.

Coverage of the liberation activities by the various media was slight.

One daily paper in D.C. did not even carry a mere mention of the day's activities anywhere in its Sunday edition, the day following.

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by Joe Black

Black people continue to pull themselves up by their proverbial "Bootstraps," through the increased enrollment of Black youths in colleges and universities. A big step in the right direction for all of us because, despite the fact that we may think the education that we acquire in schools today is not relevant to the Black experience, it is still the "Tool" that is most used when we apply for the better and higher paying jobs.

I concur that if the educational process is going to be a truthful experience, then it must include Black history and culture. So I wonder why so many Black youngsters are bypassing the Black universities where they can be exposed to the Black heritage. Are the students' egos leading them to other places? Have our Black colleges become unfashionable? I sincerely hope not.

Now is the time when we really need the Black colleges. The Black communities must earnestly support these educational institutions. We must encourage our young people to attend the schools; we must give some of our finances for the support of these schools; and we must encourage these colleges to broaden their educational scopes.

A Black college or university can effectively reinforce a Black student's identity and it can also make it possible for more inner city educated Black youths to attend college. So if Black is truly beautiful, then it is about time for some Black people to find out just how beautiful Black colleges can be.

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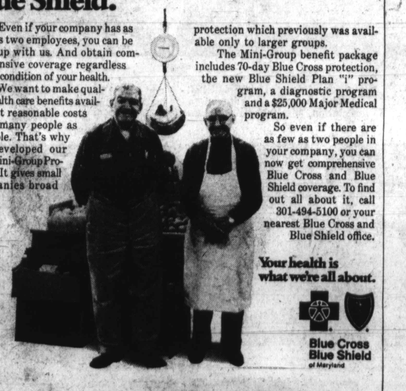

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