USC's ace Ricky Bell subpar for Rose Bowl

(UPI) — Ricky Bell, University of Southern California's All-America tailback, won't be 100 per cent for the Trojans' Rose Bowl engagement with No. 2 rated Michigan on New Year's Day.

"He had a kind of a leg injury that I won't attempt to describe because I would mutilate the technical terms," says coach John Robinson. "It was an unusual kind of injury and he probably won't be 100 per cent until a month or two into next year.

"But he looks close to where he was early in the year. I honestly don't think he is quite where he was, not quite at full speed. But we certainly think he's going to play very well in the game and we expect him to play close to his best."

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Bell suffered a hip pointer in the opening quarter of USC's sixth game against Oregon State and the following week sprained an ankle in the third quarter against California.

He missed the Trojans' game with Stanford and saw only limited action against Washington. But he came back to rush for 167 yards and one touchdown in the Pacific-8 title decider against UCLA.

Bell, runner-up to Pittsburgh's Tony Dorsett in the Heisman Trophy balloting, needs only 52 yards against Michigan to become the all-time leading PAC-8 rusher. His career total is 3,673 yards.

The record of 3,725 yards was set by his former teammate, Anthony Davis from 1971-74.

"Ricky just may be the best football player of all time" says Robinson. "He's flat out on O. J. Simpson's level as a runner. He's one of the two or three best blockers on the team and he's our third best receiver.

"He punishes tacklers like no one I've ever seen. When he charges you he stimulates fear in you."

Ricky Bell
coach says may be best ever

Ricky to lead Tony at last

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Ricky Bell lost the Heisman Trophy to Pittsburgh's Tony Dorsett but he won't play second banana to Dorsett in the NFL draft.

If there is a draft that is.

The Tampa Bay Buccaneers — and Bell's old coach, John McKay — will pick first and they've said they'll make the prize University of Southern California tailback their first selection.

"Tony deserved to win the Heisman," Bell said. "He had a fantastic year. He broke all the records and he was the best college football player in the country.

"It's always nice to be No. 1. Of course, I know I'll be going to a team that won't win right away but I've got a lot of confidence in Coach McKay. I know he'll build a winner and it won't take him long."

Poll shows fans favor baseball player raffle

NEW YORK (UPI — Baseball fans favor the sport's new free agent rule by a 54-32 per cent margin, according to a recent Harris Poll.

The remaining 14 per cent of 718 fans in the nationwide poll were "not sure" whether it is right for a player who has played out his option to sign with another club for a large sum of money.

In addition, an 80-10 per cent margin indicated the public feels players are entitled to a real reward for their talent and they voted a 57-31 per cent majority on a separate question of whether it was wrong that baseball clubs have always "owned" their players and they could not pick their employers once they had signed up.

Answers to some questions in the poll, however, varied sharply with the fan sentiment favoring the free agent rule and the right of players to sell their services.

Harris said a 56-31 per cent majority believes it is bad to break up baseball teams so that players can make a lot of money selling themselves, and a 66-22 per cent majority believes that, by selling themselves, players show more interest in money than in the game of baseball.

Poll results showed a difference according to age groups and whether those participating belonged to a labor union.

Fans under 30 favored the free agent rule by 62-23 per cent compared to 47-38 per cent for those over 50.

Union members favored it by 62-28 per cent and non-unionized workers favored it by a slim 44-41 per cent.

Union members, however, voted 74-21 per cent on a question criticizing players for giving the matter of pay a higher priority than dedication to the game.

Food stamp truck schedule

Following is the January schedule for the three federal armored express trucks leased by the Baltimore City Department of Social Services to sell Food Stamps in the city:

Dec. 30 — 618 Mt. Holly St. 9 to 4; 2400 Frederick Ave., 9 to 4; 5210 York Road, 9 to 4.

Dec. 31 — 23 E. North Ave., No. 1, 9 to 4; 23 E. North Ave. No 2, 9 to 4, Cross St. Market, 9 to 4.

Jan. 3 — Westport Homes, 2343 Norfolk St. 9 to 12:30; Brooklyn Homes, 4140 Tenth St., 1 to 4; 1400 Monroe St., 9 to 12:30; Baltimore and Mount St., 1 to 4; 901 Poplar Grove St., 9 to 12:30; 3805 Liberty Heights, 1 to 4.

Jan. 4 — 618 Mt. Holly St., 9 to 4; Frederick and Monastery 9 to 4; Brooklyn Homes 9 to 12:30; Westport Homes, 1 to 4.

Jan. 5 — 618 Mt. Holly St., 9 to 4; Claremont Homes, 9 to 4; Frankford Plaza, 9 to 4.

Jan. 6 — 5210 York Road, 9 to 4; 2638 E. Baltimore St. 9 to 4; Harford and Hamilton Roads, 9 to 12:30; Belair Road and Frankford, 1 to 4.

Jan. 7 — Frederick and Monastery, 9 to 4; Baltimore and Mount St., 9 to 12:30; 1400 N. Monroe St., 1 to 4; 2633 E. Baltimore St., 9 to 12:30; Frankford Plaza, 1 to 4.

Jan. 8 — 23 E. North Ave. No. 1, 9 to 4; 23 E. North Ave. No 2, 9 to 4; Cross St Market 9 to 4.

Jan. 10 — 618 Mt. Holly St. 9 to 4; 5210 York Road 9 to 4; 2400 Frederick Ave. 9 to 4.

Jan. 11 — Baltimore and Mount St. 9 to 4; 901 Poplar Grove St., 9 to 12:30; 3805 Liberty Heights, 1 to 4; Westport Homes, 9 to 12:30; Brooklyn Homes, 1 to 4.

Persons not receiving public assistance who wish to apply for food stamps should call 234-2762 to get information on eligibility requirements and the office serving their address.

TV holiday happenings

K.C. and the Sunshine Band, Bachman Turner Overdrive, Donna Summer and Frankie Vali and the Four Seasons are the stars for the musical celebration, "New Years' Rockin' Eve 1977", the late-night special airing on the ABC Television Network, Friday, Dec. 31 (11:30 p.m.-1:00 a.m., EST).

Frankie Valle will star as host for the musical portions of that program, which originates in Hollywood's Coconut Grove. In a special live segment from Times Square in New York, Dick Clark will lead the countdown to the exact arrival of 1977, pressing the button that will begin the descent of the lights at Number One Times Square.

KING ORANGE PARADE

Ton bands from big and small towns — one from another country — will perform before a national TV audience as participants in the 43rd annual King Orange Jamboree Parade, to be colorcast live from Miami, Fla., New Year's Eve, Friday, Dec. 31 (8-9 p.m. NYT) on NBC.

Descriptions of the various parade elements — bands; the floats representing the "Reflections of a Magic Moment" theme; and the specialty acts, including the spirited precision drill team, the Westchester Wranglerettes of Houston, Tex. — will be given by NBC-TV's team of hosts, Joe Garagiola and Anita Bryant.

Orange Bowl Queen Margey Johns, 22, and her royal court will reign over the parade aboard the "Dream Comes True" float.

The band from another county will be the Ontario Massed Legion Pipes and Drums Clarksburg, Ontario, Canada.

American high school bands performing in the parade will include:

Auburndale (Fla.) H.S. Band; Aurora(Mo.) H.S. Band; Boulder (Colo) H.S. Band; College H.S. Band, Bartlesville, Okla.; Concord H.S. Band, Elkhart, Ind.; East Stroudsburg (Pa.) H.S. Band; Hammonton (N.J.) H.S. Band; John Henry H.S. Band, Arlington, Ill.; John I. Leonard H.S. Band, Lake Worth, Fla.; Kirby H. S. Band, Woodville, Tex.; Lakeland H.S. Band, Milford, Mich.; Pittsburgh (Kan.) H.S. Band; St. Albans (W. Va.) H.S. Band; St. Camillus Drum Corps Brooklyn N.Y.; Spruce Creek H.S. Band Port Orange Fla.; Tates Creek H.S. Band Lexington Ky.; and the Woodridge H.S. Band Peninsula, Ohio.

Also, the Ohio State University Marching Band and the University of Colorado Golden Buffaloes, representing the football teams competing in the Orange Bowl, will perform in the parade and at the game, which will be colorcast exclusively on NBC-TV January 1 (7:30 p.m. NYT).

Arts and Music

An African musical, "Ipi-Tombi," a smash hit at Her Majesty's Theatre in London where it has been playing for one year and still doing capacity business, and the biggest musical hit South Africa has ever had, opened on Broadway, Dec. 28 at the Harkness theatre, Broadway at 62nd Street. The official premiere of the African show will be on Jan. 12. In addition to the successes mentioned above, "Ipi-Tombi" has also been a sensation in Paris, Toronto and Tel Aviv where it played to more than 120,000 paying customers in 3 six week's run.

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The Vagabond players will present "The Heiress," a dramatization of the Henry James novel, "Washington Square," Thurs., Jan. 6, through Sun., Jan. 30, at the Vagabond Theater, 806 South Broadway in Fells Point. Friday and Saturday evening performances are at 8:30, Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Reservations can be made by calling the theater at 563-9135.

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Center Stage is offering a series of acting workshops for adults starting Jan. 1, 1977. The classes will be led by Vivienne Shub. Ms. Shub is well known to Center Stage audiences, having appeared in more than 30 productions. She has directed workshops at Center Stage, at Theatre Project and at numerous colleges and universities.

For further information on the adult acting workshops, call Jean Doyle at 685-3200.

G. B. Shaw's "Misalliance"

A madcap household of characters sets the mood for Center Stage's third production of the 1976-77 season. "Misalliance" by George Bernard Shaw will begin performances on Friday, Dec. 31. Stan Wojewodski, Jr., Artistic Coordinator and Peter W. Culman, Managing Director announced recently.

"Misalliance" is directed by Arne Zaslove, for the past two years Assistant Artistic Director for the Seattle Repertory Theater. His directorial credits include: Al Carmines' "A Look At The Fifties," "Marat-Sade," and "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern."

He directed the American premiere of Tankred Durst's "Ice Age" for the Chelsea Theater Center, which garnered an Obie for actor Robert Blossom. Currently Mr. Zaslove is a member of the theater panel of the National Endowment for the Arts' Artist - in - the - Schools Program.

Set in England in the early 1900's, "Misalliance" revolves around the happenings in the home of John Carleton, a self - made man, making his fortune in underwear! His household of children and unexpected guests — including an aviator and a Polish acrobat — battle out the never - ending duels of young and old. Shaw was known for his keen wit and sharp humor, and, as Director Zaslove notes, Shaw uses comedy "to present opinions on the conflict between generations, the role of women in society and the economic and class structure of 1910 England . . . the author's verbosity becomes an invaluable tool rather than an obstacle."

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THE MANAGEMENT

Doctor J, Mac top star vote

Julius Erving of the Philadelphia 76ers was well out in front of vote-getters over the weekend in balloting for the Eastern Conference team in the NBA All-Star Game in Milwaukee Feb. 13.

George McGinnis, Erving's main rival for MVP recognition when both were in the defunct ABA, and now "Doctor J's" teammate, is runner-up in the voting for forward.

Bob McAdoo, now of the New York Knicks, is topping the centers.

Leading the guards are Nate Archibald of the New York Nets and Pete Maravich of the New Orleans Jazz.

Basketball

COLLEGE WEEKEND

Friday

Salisbury St. at Philadelphia (tourney)
Grambling at Morris Brown

Monday

A and T at N.C. State
Va. State at Roanoke College
Alcorn at Ark. — Pine Bluff

NBA WEEKEND

Saturday

N.Y. Nets at Buffalo
Cleveland at N.Y. Knicks
Houston at Washington
Chicago at Portland

Sunday

Philadelphia at N.Y. Nets
New Orleans at Atlanta
Houston at Cleveland
Phoenix vs. Kansas City at Omaha
Indiana at Milwaukee
San Antonio at Denver
Boston at Golden State
Portland at Los Angeles
Chicago at Seattle

Monday

Buffalo at San Antonio

MIDWEEK RESULTS

Howard 99, Lemoyne-Owen 83
Fairmont St. 91, Delaware St. 87
S.C.-Aiken 80, Savannah St. 71
Marietta 89, Elizabeth City 78
Jackson St. 94, Southern 80
Fla. A and M 101, Morehouse 84
Oregon 42, Grambling 39
Southern 87, Indiana-Purdue 78

Webb Center programs life-saving course

T. Madison Garrison, aquatics supervisor at the Chick Webb Recreation Center, announces plans for the 1977 advanced life-saving course.

The program, sponsored by the Red Cross Society, will commence at 7 p.m., Jan. 18, at the center located at 623 N. Eden St.

According to Garrison, the classes are designed to improve the participant's chances for summer employment.

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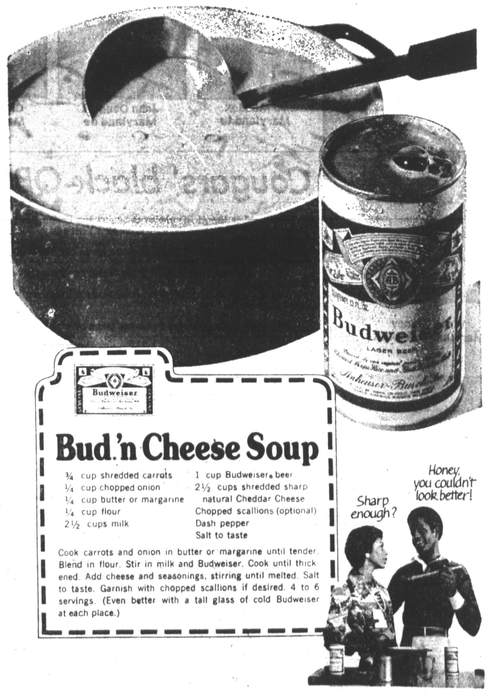

Bud 'n Cheese Soup

¾ cup shredded carrots
¼ cup chopped onion
¼ cup butter or margarine
¼ cup flour
2½ cups milk
1 cup Budweiser® beer
2½ cups shredded sharp natural Cheddar Cheese
Chopped scallions (optional)
Dash pepper
Salt to taste

Cook carrots and onion in butter or margarine until tender. Blend in flour. Stir in milk and Budweiser. Cook until thickened. Add cheese and seasonings, stirring until melted. Salt to taste. Garnish with chopped scallions if desired. 4 to 6 servings. (Even better with a tall glass of cold Budweiser at each place.)

A changing year to make education everybody's business

BICENTENNIAL GALAS were a prominent feature in the city schools during 1976. In the left panel, little Robin Scott stands steadfast as the Statue of Liberty. The banner "From Sea to Shining Sea" in the center panel was one of the many titles for programs used throughout the system to celebrate Bicentennial. In the right panel, Letitia Carr, 9, and Roberta Green, 11, (bottom row) and Lynn King, 11, and Fern Robinson, 10 (top row) from George St. Elementary display homemade colonial caps while singing in one of the many Bicentennial concert.

Peaceful adjustment of schools during '76 created for teachers and 163,000 students

Dr. CREW ANALYZES (Editor's note: The following article was written by Dr. John L. Crew in June marking the close of the 1975-76 school year. Since the start of the 1976-77 year, Dr. Crew has followed through on many of the policies outlined in the article.)

By Dr. John L. Crew Sr., superintendent of public instruction
Baltimore City Public Schools
June 14, 1976

As our country celebrates its Bicentennial, there seems to be a rather natural human tendency for each of us to pause to take stock of his own life experiences.

For those of us with responsibilities for guiding agencies, there seems also to be a second urge to renew perspective on their missions and operations.

As superintendent of public instruction for the Baltimore City Public Schools, I try to keep a continuing awareness that our schools go back a long way in time.

They have enjoyed an uninterrupted operation since 1829 and have thus been open for close to three-quarters of our country's two-hundred year history as the United States of America.

This sense of continuity helps balance our daily operational perspective as we recall that many have served the schools before our time, and many more will serve after we have done our part.

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The Baltimore City School System today ranks in size among ten largest school systems in the United States.

Its schools and centers number 213 and collectively enroll better than 171,000 pupils during the current school year. That enrollment averages approximately 74 per cent nonwhite to 26 per cent white in composition.

Educational personnel staffing the system are also predominately nonwhite, as reflected in the following percentages: central offices, 54 per cent; regional offices, 58 per cent; elementary school total, 71 per cent; junior high school total, 61 per cent; and senior high school total, 52 per cent.

The operating budget for 1975-76 — including total general funds, total special funds, and total special project funds — amounts to $265,543,522.

It is therefore easy to see that from the modest beginnings with one school, 269 pupils, and a budget of several thousand dollars in 1829, we have developed into a sizeable enterprise which is both big business and big government in its own right.

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During the current school year, the system as a whole is pursuing an extension of the major goal stated for the previous year: "To strengthen the instructional program by refining the organizational structure and operational procedures."

There are eleven accompanying objectives which have been framed to realize the goal:

1. Improve achievement leavels in reading, writing, and mathematics.

2. Continue to develop programs which elicit improved student adjustment behaviors.

3. Improve the quality and increase the frequency of communication.

4. Build improved internal and external human relationships.

5. Improve the quality and extendt of community contact and participation.

6. Re-examine and redevelop support services to ensure that they enhance the educational processes.

7. Decrease the time required to obtain services from the support areas of the school system.

8. Make available written operational guidelines and procedures which further refine and clarify individual roles for all functional units of the school system.

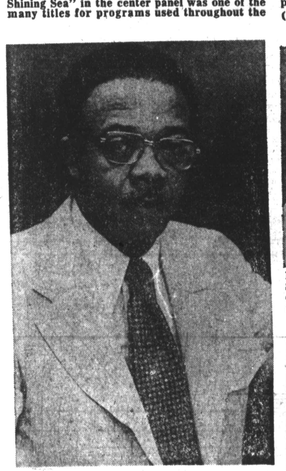
9. Ensure that assessment and evaluation are facets of all plans and implementation strategies.

10. Continue to develop and implement accountability procedures for all persons concerned with schools, including students, teachers, administrators, and parents.

11. Implement components of the plan for the further desegregation of the Baltimore City Public Schools.

The goal and the concomittant objectives serve to provide both continuity and over-all direction to the operation of the system.

Having achieved ranking in the top ten school systems



DR. JOHN CREW, superintendent of public instruction, has led the school system through a year of quiet change emphasizing a return to basic education and the importance for students to be in school.

LEWIS H. RICHARDSON—Replaces Jaffa as deputy superintendent in management.

DR. J. ROBERTA O'WESNEY retired in June

MARK K. JOSEPH—Ending first years as board president.

MRS. VONDALEE CLARK Region 7

DR. JOEL A. CARRINGTON—Jumped to Region 9 which became Region 1

MRS. THELMA B. COX Region 2

CARROLL W. WAGNER jumped to Region 4

WILLIAM J. MURRAY Region 5

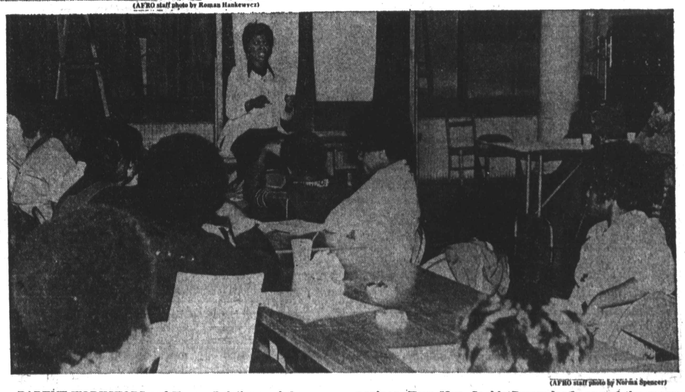
(AFRO staff photo by Roman Hankewycz)

CHINQUAPIN MIDDLE SCHOOL, one of the many schools that celebrated the Bicentennial this year by doing something unique, made up one of its classrooms to look like the old one room school houses of the colonial days. Dressed in colonial costumes to fit the occasion, pupils at Chinquapin stand while Raymond Kelly (far left) teaches class. (L to R) Karen White, Tedja Kearney, Robin Link, Michael Tate, Cindy Ellingson, Beth Cellini and Pam Wiebe.

DR. PAUL L. VANCE resigned in late July

PRESTON H. RONEY jumped to Region 8

DANIEL M. ROCHOWIAK Region 3



(AFRO staff photo by Nadine Spencer)

PARENT WORKSHOPS and Human Relation workshop were prominate in the city schools as school officials tried to get more community groups and parents involved in shool happenings. Here Mrs. Jackie Brown leads one of the many workshops held recently at Region 6 headquarters to create a better line of communication between parent and the schools.

JAN