NOW GETTING ATTENTION — Washington's Sugar Ray Leonard (via Palmer Park) is finally getting attention from both the World Boxing Council and the World Boxing Association. WBC ratings list him No. 4 among world's welterweights and WBA places him No. 5.

Scholastic Sports Schedules

FRIDAY
Varsity Basketball
Poly at Lake Clifton
Northwestern at Northern
Old City at Forest Park
Patterson at Walbrook
Mervo at Dunbar
Southwestern at Carver
Edmondson at Douglass
JV Basketball
Poly at Lake Clifton
Northwestern at Northern
Old City at Forest Park
Patterson at Walbrook
Mervo at Dunbar
Edmondson at Douglass
Southwestern at Carver
Varsity Wrestling
Gilman at Northwestern
Walbrook at Poly
Curley at Patterson
Mervo at Mt. St. Joe
JV Wrestling
Gilman at Northwestern
Walbrook at Poly
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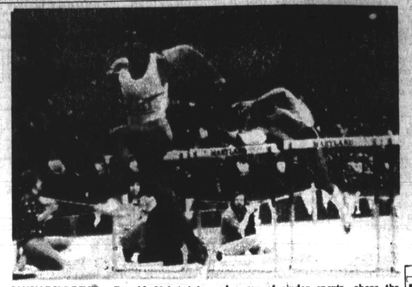
Dunbar at Mervo
Carver at Southwestern
MONDAY
Guymnastics
Northwestern at Southern
Forest Park at Western
Northern at Western

Ex-Duck signed by K.C. Royals

Ronald Smith, a former Douglass High School athlete, was signed Tuesday night to a minor league contract by the Kansas City Royals.

The 19-year-old catcher-pitcher lives at 717 N. Rosedale St.



JANUARY'S BEST — Renaldo Nehemiah read organ of cinder sports, chose the of University of Maryland has been voted sophomore hurdler from New Jersey after America's best athlete for the month of he broke indoor high hurdles mark three January. Track and Field News, widely times last month.

Birds to begin drills earlier

Both Orioles' general manager Hank Peters and manager Earl Weaver figure that a little extra practice, particularly on the part of their pitching staff, might help to avert the 1-4 and 0-5 records of the last two years at the start of the season.

So, the Birds will open spring training for pitchers and catchers in Miami on Feb. 23, four days earlier than usual.

Infielders and outfielders will also be in for a little extra work. They are scheduled to begin formal workouts two days earlier than usual, on March 1.

The Orioles will open a 25-game exhibition schedule in the traditional manner with a home-and-home series against the world champion New York Yankees.

The series will begin at Ft. Lauderdale on Saturday, March 10, and will conclude the following afternoon at Miami Stadium.

For Good Results Read AFRO Classified Section

Bears home to close season

Having disposed of local rival Towson State for the second time Monday — this time by 16 points — Morgan State varsity basketers are back home tonight (Friday) for the first of four games that will close their Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference campaign.

The Bears, led by Anthony Young, walloped Towson State Monday, 74-58 at the Hill Field House.

Tonight (Friday), first-year coach Gus Guydon has his youngsters primed for revenge on A and T State.

The Aggies pinned an embarrassing 78 to 68 loss on the Bears last weekend at Greensboro.

North Carolina Central invades the Hillen Road bastion tomorrow (Saturday). In this case, though, the situation is reversed. Last week in Durham, Morgan dumped NCC, 77-70.

On Tuesday, Howard University arrives and two nights later (Thursday), Maryland, Eastern Shore comes in to help draw the curtain on the home season.

$30G pin event slated March 5

Fair Lanes will be bringing the world's greatest professional bowlers back to the Washington-Baltimore area March 5-10.

The week-long bowling tournament will be held at Fair Lanes University, 2031 University Boulevard, Adelphi, Md.

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The professional bowler does not share in this prize fund.

10-12 gridders

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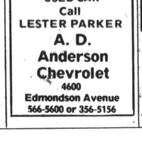

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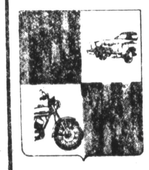

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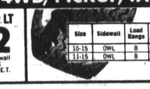

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Sachs names Davis corrections counsel

Maryland's Attorney General Stephen Sachs, taking his first step in fulfilling one of his campaign promises, has appointed a black to a supervisory position on his staff.

Ray W. Davis, an assistant attorney general since 1971, last week was named as counsel to the commissioner of corrections.

A graduate of the University of Baltimore School of Law and a former Baltimore state's attorney, Davis will be the state's legal advisor on the correctional matters and was one of three persons to be promoted by Sachs last week.

The others were Deborah K. Handel to chief of the Criminal Appeals and Correctional Litigation division and Stephen B. Caplin to chief of the newly recreated Correctional section, which will handle inmate suits against the state.

Davis is one of five blacks on the staff of 170 attorneys. The five black assistant attorney generals are the most the office has ever had at one time.

Although his appointment to a supervisory position is not a significant one, it does support Sach's campaign promise to promote and hire more blacks within his office.

It also makes him the second black ever to hold a supervisory position in the Attorney General's office.

The first was David T. Mason, chief of criminal division in 1968.

Sach's announcement of Davis' appointment came several weeks after the AFRO revealed that the five black attorneys and members of the Monumental City Bar Association expressed concern that Sachs had made no move to hire or promote blacks.

In related matters, Sachs said 17 of 34 assistant attorneys general who have outside law practices have dropped their outside work and four have quit rather than give up their outside legal work.

The rest of the 34 lawyers with outside practices have yet to tell him of their decisions, Sachs said.

Sachs announced a band on moonlighting earlier last month.

"I think moonlighting gives an unprofessional cast to the office that's not good for the public confidence in the office," he said at the time. "Generally speaking, it drains legal energies that appropriately belong to the state."

He also said it raises the "specter" of conflict of interest.

The four assistants who have left or soon will leave are Edward J. Glusing Jr., Joseph Rosenblatt, Ransom J. Davis and Millard Rubenstein.

Rubenstein, who served as assistant attorney general for the Baltimore police department, is expected to become the police department's director of legal services. The new position will allow him to continue his outside law work.

Davis already has left the attorney general's office. He was assigned to the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund.

Glusing, who is assigned to the state accident fund, will leave the state's employ March 1.

Rosenblatt, assigned to the consumer protection Division, will leave March 15.

Sachs said he would not identify the assistant attorneys general who decided to give up their outside legal work until the completes the 34 interviews.

DONATION — City Comptroller Hyman Pressman (L) made a recent contribution of $1,000 to the Provident Hospital Development Fund. The presentation was made to Thomas W. Chapman (R), president of Provident. Pressman said he donated part of his earnings from a television ad for Al Packer Ford to Provident because of its long-standing commitment to the Baltimore community.

Bill would abolish marriage as a defense for rape

ANNAPOLIS — Legislation has been proposed to make Maryland the fifth state to abolish marriage as a legal defense for first degree rape of a spuse, but the bill's chances of getting to the floor of the House of Delegates are slim.

The bill provides that a marital contract would no longer be a defense for first degree rape, defines as involving violence or the threat of violence such as strangulation, suffocation or use of a weapon to force intercourse.

It would not affect the law for the lesser offense of second degree rape, which is defined as rape without the consent of the woman.

Delegate John A. Pica Jr., D-Baltimore, said he proposed the bill because he "supports the spirit and the principle of it.

"There are many cases of interspusal rape," Pica said. "The only problem is you can't find them. People don't report them. The woman doesn't want the stigma of being looked at as a rape victim."

House Judiciary Committee Chairman Joseph Owens, D-Montgomery, said his committee will vote within three weeks on whether to send the bill to the floor, but he does not expect the bill to gain committee approval.

"I think there's a feeling on the committee that if prosecution is the thing sought, there already is a law available — the assault and battery statue."

The bill appears to be adding to the law without a clearly-demonstrated need, Owens said.

"The tools (for prosecution of marital rape) are there and the bill gets into an area that could be subject to abuse like the case out in Oregon," he said.

Oregon is one of four states — the others are New Jersey, Iowa, and Delaware — that in which marriage to the victim is not a legal defense against rape.

The Oregon law became famous recently when it was used for the first time by Greta Rideout, who accused her husband of rape. John Rideout was found innocent and the couple's later reconciliation caused a furor.

Pica said the Rideout case sent him to the Maryland Code to determine whether Mrs. Rideout could have prosecuted her husband in this state.

"I found there could be no prosecution," he said. "My job as a legislator is to look at the code and find inconsistencies and insufficiencies and to change it."

Pica said legislators should not be blinded by the Rideout case because John Rideout did not use violence and, therefore, the case would not fit under the first degree rape category in Maryland law.

He said his bill is "law and order legislation."

"We can no longer tolerate a relationship where a knife is pressed to a wife's throat demanding intercourse," Pica said. "The husband has stepped over the limit, he has gone beyond his immunity privileges — he is now a criminal."

Bill would make handguns more difficult to obtain

ANNAPOLIS — It would cost more to sell or carry handguns, take longer to obtain them, and the legal description of them would become broader than ever if a series of bills considered by a House committee become law.

The measures heard by the Judiciary Committee would double the fee for permits to carry handguns from $25 to $50 a year and would double the waiting period before a handgun may be purchased from seven to 14 days.

Handgun dealers would also find their initial fee for a sales permit raised from $40 to $50, with the subsequent annual permit renewal fee increased from $10 to $25.

The bill that would expand the legal definition of what is considered a handgun is, according to one opponent, so broad that it would inadvertently include bows and arrows, slingshots and the small type of tear gas canisters often carried by women for self-protection.

The Committee took no action on the bills, all of which were introduced at the request of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

State Police Sgt. Norman M. Pepersack spoke in favor of each bill, saying the increases in fees were needed to cover the administrative costs of processing permit applications and conducting background investigations of would-be gun owners.

He also displayed a pump-action, carbon dioxide powered pistol that he asked be included under the handgun definition. To underscore his point, he showed committee members a piece of one-sixteenth inch aluminum that had been pierced by two of three small metal darts fired at it from 10 feet away.

But Maurice Gershberg, speaking for the Garrison Rifle and Revolver Club of Pikesville, opposed each measure, saying the license fee increases were unnecessarily high and the proposed handgun definition was too broad.

He said the effort to include carbon dioxide pellet pistols "would, in all probability, only mean more clerks, more file cabinets, more pensions, more useless papers."

Gershberg said a 1977 audit of the Handgun Licensing Unit that showed an operating deficit of nearly $300,000 a year was totally inaccurate and said there was therefore no basis for increasing the fees.

He added that he tried but could find no evidence that state police had attempted to reduce the cost of the handgun unit's operations.

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