THEIR DAY TO BOWL — Monday morning was bowl time for members of the multiple sclerosis therapy program and the Perry Hall Lanes provided the scene of action. AFRO photographer Mark Gail was on hand with his trusty camera and caught (left panel) Ethel Bird of Red Cross, coordinator of the program, Gloria Fetterholf (second left) receiving trophy for high wheelchair score from AFRO sports editor Sam Lacy, overall shot of one phase of the competition (second right), and Corky Wagner, manager of Perry Hall Lanes (far right), the only woman lanes director in the area. Wagner donated use of the alleys and Gloria Bess, not shown, directed the catering.

MS winner didn't quit

It took a little of the same perseverance that carries himthrough life, but Bill Fletcher finally reached a long-sought goal Monday morning.

Fletcher, a father of three youngsters, won the trophy for highest score of the final day of competition among multiple-sclerosis patients at the Perry Hall bowling lanes.

Fletcher and Gloria Fetterolf were winners in the men's and women's divisions, respectively, of the wheelchair contestants.

His case is somewhat unique.

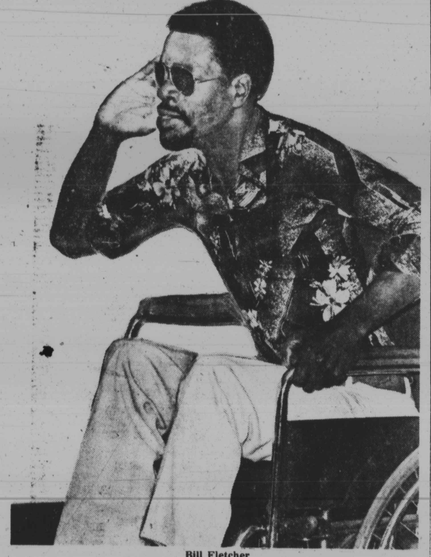
Bill is possessed of unusually long arms. When he attempted to wo bowl from his sitting posture in the wheelchair, the ball dragged along the floor and destroyed both rhythm and timing.

He became discouraged and felt guilty over the fact that his low score was hurting his team.

But Fletcher continued trying, seized upon a suggestion by Red Cross volunteers that he try using cushions that would lift him to allow hor his arm length.

Gradually, he fought off the discouragement, adjusted and defeated that handicap.

In all probability, Fletcher's wife, Elizabeth, and their three children — Annette 13, Lawrence 11, and William 9 — were every bit as happy as pop when eh walked in the house Monday afternoon with his newly won trophy . . . LACY.



Bill Fletcher
his courage came through

Operation Champ boxers gain national attention

Tle Operation Champ boxing team represented the South Atlantic AAU District at the Eastern Olympic Boxing Trials held at Greensboro, North Carolina recently.

Members were Warren Boardley, Marvin Mc-Dowell and Joseph Robinson.

After the first day's competition, Joseph Robinson was still a contender. He defeated Don Modique of the South Atlantic AAU and Rick Whitt of North Carolina before losing a controversial decision to Fred Creech, also of North Carolina.

National AAU officials were impressed with Robinson's performance, astonished that he is in the 147-pound class and has had only four months' experience. Robinson won a medal ir the 156-pound class semifinal division. He will box in the United States versus world competition.

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Yes, it means doing some of the most challenging work in the Army.

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If you contribute a certain amount of your Army pay each month toward your education, the government will match your savings two for one. In addition, the Army is currently offering an educational bonus to VEAP participants who qualify and enlist for certain skills.

You could accumulate up to $14,100 for a four-year enlistment. Up to $12,100 for a three-year enlistment. And up to $7,400 for a two-year enlistment. Not a bad way to start college.

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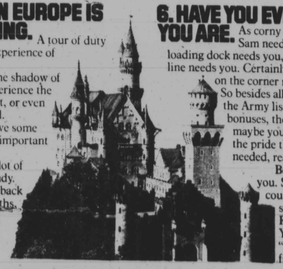
But when you come back to the States after 18 months, you'll be glad you had the experience.

You'll be better for it, too.



6. HAVE YOU EVER FELT REALLY NEEDED? YOU ARE. As corny as it may sound, Uncle Sam needs you. More than the loading dock needs you, more than the assembly line needs you. Certainly more than the crowd on the corner needs you.

So besides all the reasons for joining the Army listed above -- the pay, the bonuses, the travel, the training -- maybe you'd just like to experience the pride that comes from being needed, really needed.

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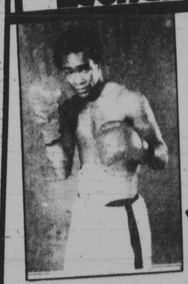
Sugar Ray Leonard



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eaten in Belmont, but...

Risk's' friends can't dismay UN

By Sam Lacy

You ladies who may feel that your feminism suffered some sort of blow in last Saturday's Belmont race, should not dismay.

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Genuine Risk, the filly you had taken to your hearts, was beaten by Temperence Hill, but that ought not be looked-upon as serious disappointment. In fact, the history of the third jewel of racing's Triple Crown provides repeated warnings against optimism for any thoroughbred, male or female.

Genuine Risk won the Kentucky Derby and, many believe, was unfairly deprived of victory in the Preakness.

She already had set a precedent by running in two legs of the Triple Crown, since no filly ever had attempted that before. To then came back for the gruelling mile-and-a-half of the Belmont seemed to border on folly.

The AFRO preview of the Belmont last Friday pointed out that "Risk" would be facing a group of relatively fresh horses.

In the field were the disputed Preakness winner Codex, which had passed up the Derby; runner-up Rumbo in the Derby, that missed the Preakness along with Super Moment which also skipped Pimlico after racing at Louisville.

Rockhill Native and Bing ran in two of the three. And Comptroller, Pikotaze, Janie's Chief and Temperence Hill competed only in the Belmont.

Obviously, Temperence Hill was a well rested horse when he took on and conquered Genuine Risk.

As stated earlier, victory for fresh horses in not new to the Belmont.

In 1958, Cavan stayed on the sidelines during the Derby and Preakness and stopped the great Tim Tam (which had won both (at Elmont, N.Y.)

In 1968, Stage Door Johnny scored in the Belmont after sitting out the first two. Pass Catcher passed up Louisville and Baltimore before beating Canonero 2nd in 1971. And last year, Spectacular Bid was outrun by newcomer Coastal.

BY THE WAY...

By Joe Black

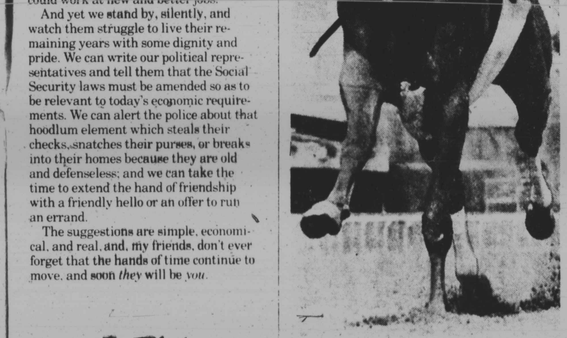
President Franklin D. Roosevelt, in an effort to uplift the morale of America's citizens during World War II, said: "We have nothing to fear but fear itself." But nothing stays the same, and those words have little meaning today for many who are approaching the age for retirement.

Senior Citizens have many things to fear: insufficient funds, robbery, loneliness, poor housing, inadequate nutrition, and plain ol' indifference from society. But that is not how it should be in these United States of America. These older citizens have worked hard on many jobs, weathered the storm of bias and hatred, paid taxes to support this nation, fought in wars to preserve democracy, and fallen on their knees to "open doors" so that we Blacks, coming behind them, could work at new and better jobs.

And yet we stand by, silently, and watch them struggle to live their remaining years with some dignity and pride. We can write our political representatives and tell them that the Social Security laws must be amended so as to be relevant to today's economic requirements. We can alert the police about that hoodlum element which steals their checks, snatches their purses, or breaks into their homes because they are old and defenseless; and we can take the time to extend the hand of friendship with a friendly hello or an offer to run an errand.

The suggestions are simple, economical, and real, and, my friends, don't ever forget that the hands of time continue to move, and soon *they* will be *you*.

Joe Black
Vice President
The Greyhound Corporation



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Bits o' brief

Cal's cashin'

The $14,400 Calvin Peete collected for his fourth place finish in the Atlanta Golf Classic, raised his earnings for the year on the pro tour to $56,298.

The figure places him 40th among the top 100 money winners in the PGA for 1980.

Ali at it

Never at a loss for lip for quip, Muhammad Ali spent time in the corridors of the New Orleans Courthouse where he was defending against a $20 million slander suit, exchanging jibes with court secretaries and spectators — mostly female.

"All the women like my new moustache," he said. "They call me 'Dark Gable.'"

Family affair

Four of the first eight races on last Friday's thoroughbred card at Bowie won by Gunnar Lindberg (second), Michael Torre (sixth), Bill Pass more (seventh) and Passmore again (eighth).

Lindberg, who rode Crimson Choice in his victory, and Torre who was on Indian Tim in his, are sons-in-law of Passmore, married to daughters Cathy and Sharon, respectively.

Super Derby

Genuine Risk, Codex, Rumbo and Temperence Hillhave been invited to race in a $200,000-added "Super Derby," the brainchild of Louisiana Downs (Shreveport) owner Edward J. Debartold.

Debartold, who said the invitational race could be held in October or November and attract a purse of up to $500,000, said the contest could be used to decide the year's best 3-year-old.

The Ohio shopping center executive said the derby would be run on dirt at a mile and a quarter.

Rams set tryout

The Baltimore Rams football team will be accepting new applicants in a tryout camp, June 25 at Douglass High School at 10 a.m.

Prospects may obtain further information from head coach Elroy Brewer at 367-6177.

Genuine Risk
beaten by rested rival

Unseld-Cain salute highlights next week

Indications are that the "Evening With Wes Unseld" dinner scheduled Tuesday (17th) at Martin's West, will be both an artistic and financial success.

While tickets are being moved in encouraging fashion, some remain available through Vernon Wolst at the Urban Services Agency, 396-1720; coach Earl Banks at Morgan State University, 254-1748; Suzan Harrison, 837-0090, or Dorothy Towler, 396-1687.

The testimonial to Unseld, which will be augmented by a special salute to William "Sugar" Cain, will benefit the Project Survival youth program. This is an ever-growing project that utilizes the summer to develop inner-city youngsters in the classroom as well as on the basketball court.

Two of the more outstanding products of the program — operated under Urban Services surveillance — will receive scholarships to colleges of their choice.

Last year, Janice Platt became the first girl to be helped for her career at Morgan. She and Quintin Dailey were co-winners of the Sam Lacy Scholarship.

Scores of business organizations — national and local — have been committed to the effort.

And the public response is expected to exceed any previous event of this fund-raising effort.

Unseld and Cain boast tremendous appeal in both Baltimore and Washington. As a result, heavy support from both cities is anticipated.

Wes plays with the former world champion Washington Bullets of the NBA. Before the team was moved to the (Largo, Md.) Washington area, it and Unseld played as the Baltimore Bullets. He and his wife, Connie, live in the Baltimore area and operate a day-care center in Baltimore.

Cain, who played high school sports in Washington and is well-known there, starred at Morgan, then spent over 30 years coaching at the local Dunbar High School . . . LACY.

Sugar Cain (left) and Wes Unseld
honors await them at Martin's West

Sister-coach raps meet ban

Because a 14-year-old (Pimlico Junior High School quarter-miler was barred from competing in Tuesday's lower schools track meet at Poly, his coach has filed a heated protest with meet officials.

The coach, Rosetta Gasque who also is the sister of Stanley Gasque, complained Wednesday that meet director John Chromes refused to permit her brother-protege to enter the 440 event. She claimed the director's act was prejudicial.

Chromes, however, denies that any prejudice was involved.

He told the AFRO that the guidelines established by the Department of Physical education pdrmit boys of Gasque's age to compete in one dash and a relay.

Since Stanley had participated in another dash race, he was not allowed to compete in another.

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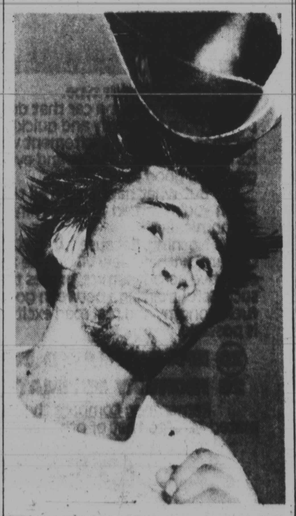

A DETERMINED DURAN--A maniacal face and iron fists are weapons Roberto Duran will carry into the ring next Friday (20th) night to battle WBC welterweight champion Sugar Ray Leonard at

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