SURVIVAL CONTENDERS — Considered strong contenders for summer basketball honors is this Wes Unseld All-Star team sponsored by Cutty Sark. With former Morgan All-American and now New York Knick Marvin Webster (center rear), are Bill Newton, Garcia Hopkins, Bert Platt, Al Skinner, Richard Laurel, Jeff Hallburton and Bernard Tomlin.

AFRO photo by Mark Gail

Youth duckpin meet awaited

One hundred ninety-two survivors from an original field of 10,000 contestants will converge on two area bowling lanes Tuesday to begin the countdown to titles in the 3rd annual Baltimore-Washington Youth Duckpin Invitational.

Forty-eight boys and 48 girls from Baltimore will vie at Greenway Bowl East, commencing at 1 p.m.

A similar number of D.C. boys and girls will compete at the same time at Fair Lanes Prince Georges.

Eliminations will move into afternoon sessions Thursday and at Fair Lanes Liberty, Baltimore, and Fair Lanes Capital Plaza, Hyattsville.

Semi-finals and finals are scheduled Saturday and Sunday.

WBL drafts Lady Bear

The New York Stars of the Women's Professional Basketball League selected Gwen Hackett of Morgan State in the 6th round of last week's draft.

Gwen, a transfer from the University of Alabama before coming to Morgan State, averaged 11.5 points per game and 8.3 rebounds placing her second to June Walton in both categories for the 1980 season. Hackett is currently playing in the Venezuelan summer pro league.

NOAH'S COMING — Area tennis fans get their first look at Yannick Noah, the flashy protege of Arthur Ashe. Noah, discovered by Ashe in the Cameroons while touring Africa in 1977, is entered in the Evening Star tourney in Washington next month.

GIVING THE SIGNAL — Roberto Duran gave the signal to 10,000 Panamanians to go wild Monday when he stepped off the plane from Montreal and held aloft the WBC welterweight championship belt he took Friday from Sugar Ray Leonard.

'Had enough,' Ray hints

Hinting that he and wife Juanita feel that for him boxing is now all downhill, Sugar Ray Leonard said Tuesday that retirement from the ring is probably his next step.

Having previously acknowledged that most of the people he trusts want him to quit, the former World Boxing Council welterweight champion told a national television audience he feels "fulfilled."

Leonard, who lost his title to Roberto Duran of Panama last Friday night in a fight which may have earned him $8-million, made the comments on ABC-TV's "Good Morning America" show.

Asked about his future by guest-host Tom Sullivan, Leonard replied, "It's time to cool out and try something else. I must give more time to my wife. I pretty much accomplished what people thought I couldn't do. I feel I've fulfilled what I could do."

Sugar Ray Leonard '.. time to cool out . . .'

It is rather well known that, in addition to wife Juanita, Sugar Ray has been urged to get out of the fight game now by others close to him.

These include Dave Jacobs, the boys' club director who discovered and developed him; Mike Trainer, his lawyer and financial advisor, and his family.

According to some estimates, Leonard, at age 24, is worth $10 million with working investments added.

'Olympic' medals likely

Little or no opposition is expected to a bill that would provide medals for U.S. athletes qualifying for the Moscow Olympics, but not competing because of the U.S. BOYCOTT.

Rep. Frank Annunzio, D-Ill., is sponsoring the bill but has 225 co-sponsors. It passed the Consumer Affairs Subcommittee by a 5-0 vote Wednesday and went to the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Thursday.

Under a suspension of the rules, the full house could consider the bill Monday.

Testifying Wednesday in favor of the bill were Joe Farrell, vice president of the U.S. Olympic Committee, former Olympic swimmer Donna Deverona and Willie Davenport, a three-time Olympic hurdler who won a gold medal in 1968 and a member of the U.S. Olympic bobbled team at the 1980 Lake Placid Winter Olympics.

Funds for up to 650 medals, to be presented July 30 at a joint session of Congress, would come from funds provided in the Amateur Sports Act of 1978.

The medals would go to the athletes staying home this summer because of President Carter's order to boycott the Olympics over the Russian invasion of Afghanistan.

The medals are being designed by the Treasury Department.

PLAZA PLAY — Bentalou Bombers Darryl Dinkins (1), Anthony Celgen (3) and Damon Massenburg (5), surrounded a John E. Howard player as Bombers Aaron Schaffer and Bryan Sturdivant are partially hidden by Howardite Ivan Affer (50). Action was recorded by AFRO photographer Roman Hankewycz at noon game of Wednesday 11-and-under BNBL division at Hopkins Plaza. Bentalou won 12-9.

'Insane' killer of Bostock becomes 'sane' in 6 months

LOGANSPORT, Ind. (UPI) — Leonard Smith, killer of baseball star Lyman Bostock, convinced jurors he was insane and psychiatrists he wasn't, so a judge ordered him freed Friday after six months in a mental hospital.

The case prompted a revamping of Indiana's homicide statutes by lawmakers convinced Smith got away with murder.

"We're opposed to it and very disturbed," said Lake County prosecutor Jack Crawford, who fought the freeing of Smith on grounds he is still a danger to his former wife. "He's committed one act of violence and is likely to commit another."

Crawford, openly bitter about the release, contends Smith all but got away with murder.

Lyman Bostock slayer goes free

"Through the insanity loophole he's going to wiggle out and be a free man. . . . We've been disgusted by jury verdict all along. A verdict like this is a legal tragedy for the family of Bostock and Smith's wife, who will have to live in fear that he'll come back to finish what he started."

Smith, 33, fired a shotgun into a car driving through Gary, Inc. on Sept. 23, 1978, killing the 27-year-old California Angels outfielder. The blast wounded Smith's estranged wife, Barbara, whom Bostock had just met.

Smith was tried twice for the shooting. The first trial ended in a hung jury. The second ended Nov. 16, 1979, in a verdict of "not responsible by reason of insanity."

His lawyer argued Mrs. Smith's cheating drove the killer insane. A defense psychologist backed up the theory, contradicting court-appointed psychiatrists.

On Dec. 7 Smith was temporarily committed for mental treatment for 90 days. The commitment later was extended another 90 days.

Doctors at Logansport State Hospital then recommended Smith's release, saying he is not mentally ill. Lake County Circuit Judge Felix Kaul on June 5 ordered him freed following 15 days' notice to "interested parties."

Ex-City star St. Joe standout

RENSSELAER, Ind. — Former Baltimore City College track star has been honored as the top sprinter on the 1980 Saint Joseph's College cinder team.

Tatum, a sophomore physical education major, is the son of MR. AND Mrs. John Tatum of 2408 Guilford Ave., Baltimore.

A graduate of City, young Kevin also starred in football in hissenior year there in 1979.

FAMILY SMILES — Darryl Gee (center) and his dad and mom show pride as his New York Cosmos jersey is displayed. The young Oakland Mills High School star was signed to a pro soccer contract immediately after graduation. On hand were pop, Dr. Chester Gee, and Mrs. Gee of Columbia, Md.

Hershey's program set for June 29

Hershey's National Track and Field Youth Program will hold the D.C. state finals June 29 at Ballou Senior High School Stadium, 4th and Trenton Streets, S.E., for approximately 600 boys and girls nine to 15.

Registration begins at 1 p.m. and the meet officially begins at 3 p.m. The raindate for the meet is July 13. Medals will be awarded to the first place finishers and free T-shirts, certificates and ribbons will be given to all runners. The runners cannot wear track shoes or use starting blocks and high school runners are not eligible to compete.

Winners in this meet could qualify for the regional team, will compete in the National Finals August 14-17 in Charleston, W.Va., at Laidley Field, the National Track and Field Hall of Fame.

State winners will be considered for the regional team based on their performance in comparison to youths from surrounding states, and if chosen they will be given an all expense paid trip to the Nationals.

For additional information contact Mr. Degraffired at 767-8265, Mrs. Woodson at 576-6409, or Ms. Thompson at 727-5446.

MEAC claims unqualified NCAA Division I status

The ratification early this month of Bethune-Cookman as a Division I school by the National Collegiate Athletic Association, has been hailed by the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference as a major breakthrough in college athletics.

Bethune and Florida A and M, which was previously recognized by the NCAA, were admitted to the MEAC last October.

At the same NCAA meeting which sanctioned Bethune, Delaware State, Howard University, N.C. A & T State, and S.C. State; who were classified in 1979, were cleared of that situation, which solidified the MEAC's original goal for Division I status.

MEAC Commissioner Ken Free was overjoyed with the NCAA's decisions, but admitted, "It has been a long and trying time to achieve this plateau.

"Now with all members classified in Division I, an MEAC team is eligible for a possible automatic berth in the NCAA Basketball Tournament, which is currently being petitioned, and we will conduct a minimum of six conference championships.

"The Division I status also makes us more attractive for television appearances."

Original members Morgan State, Maryland Eastern Shore, and N.C. Central, desired to remain Division II, and have withdrawn from the MEAC.

Morgan will compete independently in 1980, UMES, who dropped its football program after last season, has followed suit for other sports, while NCCU has reentered the CIAA (Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association).

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Morgan wrestling coach grabs off 4 blue-chippers

With the graduation of William "Bucky" Smith, an NCAA Division II champion and Division I finalist in 1980, Morgan State wrestling coach James Phillips felt he had some big shoes to fill for the Bears 1980-81 season.

Although he may not have filled them, Phillips feels he had his best recruiting season, ever.

Leading a list of four blue-chip athletes is four-time state champion Johnny Davis (158 pounds) from Maury High School, Norfolk, Va. John's last loss was in his 9th grade season, as he carries a prep career record of 96-4.

Three-time Pennsylvania champ Jay Patterson (126 pounds) has also signed with Morgan. Patterson, from Wilkes-Barre, was also recruited by large schools such as L. S. U., Kentucky and N. C. State. His career stands at 106-7.

Both Davis and Patterson have been cited as the top prep wrestlers in their respective weight classes.

Tommy Pringle brings a 125-4 record to Morgan. Tommy is a two-time state of Virginia champion, and hails from Norfolk. Joe Patterson, Jay's brother, is the fourth recruit with an 86-13 record in the 116-weight class.

Coach Phillips looks for immediate help from Davis and Jay Patterson and feels both Pringle and Joe Patterson will add needed depth to an already strong team.

O's list 12 camps

Twelve campsites remain on the list of tryout locations being conducted by Baltimore Orioles scout Dick Bowie.

The program, open to players 16-22 years of age, begins tomorrow (Saturday) at 9 a.m., at Cecil Community College in Elkton.

Thereafter the scheduled dates follow: JUNE 26 — Municipal Stadium, Hagerstown; 28 — Salisbury State College; 29 — Queen Anne High School, Centreville;

JULY 3 — Banneker Pk., Washington; 5 — Connellsville High, Pa.; 9 — Dundalk (Md.) Community College; 10 — Johns Hopkins University; 13 — New Market Park, Va.; 15 — Wheaton Regional Park, Md.; 19-Bowen Field, Bluefield, W. Va.; and 22 — Shepard Stadium, Colonal Heights, Va.

10 boycotting nations schedule own 'Olympics'

EUGENE, Ore. (UPI) — The United States Olympic track and field team will compete on American soil this summer, it was announced jointly Wednesday by the Athletics Congress and the University of Pennsylvania.

A meet will be held July 16-17 in Philadelphia, and it has been named the Liberty Bell Track and Field Classic.

In addition to the American team, now being picked at the U.S. trials, the meet will include athletes from such other Olympic boycotting nations as West Germany, Canada, Kenya, New Zealand, Norway, Israel, Bermuda, Barbados and Swaziland.

Prior to the Philadelphia meet, athletes winning places on the U.S. Olympic team will compete July 11-12 at Stuttgart, West Germany, July 13 at London and July 15 at Oslo, Norway.

While the Olympic Games are in progress at Moscow, there will be no competition for the boycotting nations, but upon the conclusion of the Games, Americans will appear in meets at Rome on Aug. 5, Berlin on Aug. 8 and Zurich on Aug. 13.

The first day's competition at the Philadelphia meet will be for qualifying rounds, the penthathlon and the first five events of the decathlon. Finals will be on July 17.

Ranking French star to appear at Rock Creek

Who is ranked fifteenth in the world, reached the finals of the Italian Open against Guillermo Vilas and who has won five Grand Prix singles titles in the past two years? The answer is Yannick Noah, one of the fastest rising French tennis stars. He also happens to be black.

Noah will make his debut at the Washington Star Tennis International Tennis Championships July 19 - 27 at the Rock Creek Tennis Stadium, 16th and Kennedy Streets, N.W.

At 20, the 6 - foot - 4, 180 pound native of Sedan was first discovered by Arthur Ashe in 1970 when he was presenting clinics in the French colony.

Ashe put Noah in touch with Phillipe Chatrier, then president of the French Tennis Federation, urging him to bring Noah to France to receive proper instruction. Two years later Noah moved to Nice and began his career.

He has played for France on the Davis Cup squad, played in the U.S. Open and most recently the French Open where he advanced to the fourth round by surviving a four - hour five - set match against Argentina's Jose - Luis Clerc. Although he was forced to default a 5 - 7, 4 - 6 defeat to Jimmy Connors, who will also be in the Star tournament, because of a pulled thigh muscle, Noah served notice that his time had come.

MAC TO MURRAY — Willie Mc Covey has stepped aside to make room for rookie Rich Murray as first baseman for the San Francisco Giants. Rich, brother of Brother Orioles star Eddie Murray, steps into the shoes of the leading left-handed homer hitter in National League history.

New amateur champ title

ATLANTA (UPI) — James Broad, new king of the amateur U.S. heavyweights, gets out of the army in 4½ months and shortly after that he plans to start on a road he believes will land him the professional title.

"Yes, definitely, someday I will be heavyweight champion of the world," declared the 6-4, 215-pound Broad after winning the U.S. Olympic Trials.

"But I'm not rushing it. My life is still out in front of me."

Heart Fund golf meet plans set

The American Heart Association's celebrity-am golf tournament is expected to lure scores of all-level golfers to the Hunt Valley course June 30.

Selected celebrities are Vince Bagli, Jerry Turner, Tom Sweeney and Tom Matte. The first three are Baltimore TV personalities and Matte, a former pro football star with the Colts, has been active in numerous civic affairs including fund-raising for heart research.

According to the format, the celebrities will be positioned on one par-3 hole-Bagli and Sweeney at No. 3, and Turner and Matte at No. 4.

This arrangement will allow them to play with each participant in the tourney field.

Soccer clinic at Dundalk CC

A free soccer clinic is being held at Dundalk Community College soccer field every Wednesday, through Sept. 3, from 6 p.m. until dark.

This clinic, which is free and open to all age groups, will feature demonstrations on teaching basic skills, modern team tactics, drills, exercises, mini - games and scrimmages.

The clinic will be directed by Paul Scardina and Sam Borozzi and will feature some of the area's top amateur and professional players who will demonstrate their skills to area youngsters.

Larry to Ledoux: 'You'll fall in 8'

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. — Undefeated heavyweight champion Larry Holmes predicted Monday challenger Scott Ledoux will fall in eight rounds or less in their World Boxing Council title fight next month.

Holmes also said a possible Sept. 8 bout with Muhammad Ali is being discussed, but a site and other details remain unsettled.

"Ledoux won't go eight," Holmes said after arriving in Minneota to train for the July 7 match. "He'll go somewhere from one to eight. I've never predicted a right round, but he'll go. Ledoux has never been hit like I'm going to hit him."

Holmes of Easton, Pa., will receive about $1 million for the scheduled 15-rounder, his seventh defense of the crown and the first world heavyweight title fight in Minnesota.

Ledoux will get about $250,000, said Richie Giachetti, Holmes' manager and trainer.

"Ledoux will catch more punches than I've ever thrown before," Holmes said. "The only thing I've got to worry about is if I don't kill him."

Forest Park duo picks Ga. college

ALBANY, GA — Warren Berry, an offensive lineman, and Josiah Hall, II, a defensive lineman, from Baltimore's (Md.) Forest Park high School, have signed a football national letter of intent to enroll at Albany (Ga.) State College this fall.

Berry, a 6-0, 210-pound All-Metro selection, is being viewed as a prime candidate on the offensive line. A two-sport athlete, Berry was 37 and 6 as a career wrestler at Forst Park. He is also the school's scholar-athlete.

Berry's teammate, Hall, 6-4, 225-pounder, is rated a good defensive line prospect with quickness and aggressiveness.

NO TOM-TOM — Kareem Abdul-Jabbar nixed guesting on the "Tomorrow" show because of host Tom Snyder's antics. "He asks questions, answers them himself, then comments on the words he puts in your mouth," explained the Los Angeles Lakers' star center.

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