Jesse Thomas
knows Morgan story

Nat Taylor
return unlikely

Tom Morris
believed ready now

Al Tabor
he's out looking

Earl Banks
a last resort

Search for new Morgan grid coach to be delayed, limited

By Sam Lacy

Although athletic director Earl Banks says he isn't certain how soon the school will get around to the task of interviewing for a new Morgan State football coach, speculation is under way already as to the man's identity.

The Bears' job became vacant last weekend when 3 - year coach Clarence Thomas announced his resignation.

While Banks acknowledges that a replacement must be named as early as possible so that the new man can begin the usual winter job of recruiting, he says nothing can be done right away because of the uncertain status of Thomas on the school faculty.

The expectation is that the matter may not be given serious consideration before January.

Observers who like to speculate on things of this nature, however, are venturing opinions on five prospects for the post.

Jesse Thomas, former National Football League star and longtime defensive backfield coach at Morgan, is deemed a likely candidate.

Because of his lengthy tenure, Thomas has the advantage of knowing the situation at Morgan with its limited athletic funds and paucity of football scholarships.

Another name which crops is that of Nat Taylor. However, Taylor was the head coach himself at one time and resigned to accept a job as aide in charge of the offensive backfield. It is thought unlikely that he would want the assignment if proffered.

Tom Morris, another prospect, had been expected to step in from his assistant's post, when Taylor resigned, but there was some question about his readiness to handle the head coaching duties at that time.

Since then he spent three years at Virginia State getting experience.

Al Tabor, fired two weeks ago as head coach at Virginia State, also is regarded a candidate. He is known to be looking for a top slot.

Some are weighing the possibility that Banks may return to the sidelines, thus taking on the dual role of AD and coach. These speculations are based on the fact that Morgan's financial picture might benefit from the elimination of a salary, or at least part of a salary.

Earl, though, insists: "That would definitely be a last resort."

Bits o' briefs

Terrific triple

Oohs and ahs were plentiful at Laurel Race Course Tuesday, what with an $800-plus daily double and a similar exacta payoff for the second race.

But that was so much pfennoney when compared to the last race of the previous day (Monday).

That was when a single bettor cashed a $51,342 ticket in the daily triple. The unidentified collector wagered the combination of 9-12-6, and watched the horses Dart Board, Anne Evans and Felicia Fragonard — finish in just that order.

Heaven forbid

SAN JUAN, P. R. (UPI) — Three-time heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali turned down a plea from a World Boxing Association delegate Tuesday to retire from the ring, vowing instead to return and prove "I'm still the king."

"I'm going to prove I'm still the king," Ali responded.

Promoter Rob Arum, however, told reporters Ali is not the same fighter he was years ago and said he should not be allowed to fight again, no matter how much he demands to do so.

Bull is best

Artis Gilmore of the Chicago Bulls, who shot .875 from the field and grabbed 34 rebounds in back-to-back victories over New York and Washington Friday and Saturday, has been named the NBA player of the week for the period ending Nov. 23.

Gilmore, who leads the NBA in field-goal percentage, shot 13-for-15 with 19 rebounds in a 130-121 victory over the Knicks Friday night and was 8-for-9 with 15 rebounds the next night against the Bullets.

Holmes to defend

NEW ORLEANS (UPI) — WBC heavyweight champion Larry Holmes' next title defense will be against Marty Monroe of Los Angeles in Las Vegas, either next February or March.

Monroe has won 21 of his 22 professional fights with one draw. Thirteen of his victories were by knockouts.

In his last fight last Sept. 27, Monroe stopped Eddie (Animal) Lopez of Los Angeles in the 10th round at the Los Angeles Forum. Prior to that he knocked Lyna Ball of Ft. Worth, Tex., in the 10th round in El Paso, Tex.

FACES ALABAMA — A black quarterback at a deep south college such as Auburn is unique, to say the least. But Charles Thomas who weathered KKK threats and home fans' ridicule, will be leading the Tigers against celebrated Alabama on Saturday.

Lake Clifton youngster stars in DC ice show

Baltimoreans who venture to Washington this weekend to witness the professional ice show at the Starplex Armory, may be pleasantly surprised by the identity of one of the featured skaters.

He is Bruno Jerry, a 22 - year - old graduate of Lake Clifton High School who is experiencing the realization of a 10 - year dream.

Today through Sunday — when the show takes off on its annual winter tour — Bruno will be drinking - in the nectar of success as a spotlighted performer in the recently merged "Ice Follies" and "Holiday on Ice" production.

It is a classic rags - to - riches saga of the Horatio Alger era.

A stranger to ice skating until he accompanied his school class on a field trip and saw a professional show.

The bug hit him and, after his high school diploma, he went into the sport on a rigorous learning routine.

He joined the United States Figure Skating Association and started working on his techniques to meet test requirements. During the summers he took private instruction at the Skating Club of Wilmington, Del.

From 1976 until 1979 he competed in numerous regional competitions on the East Coast often ranking among the top contenders.

In 1976 he won the South Atlantic novice regional competitions and went on to finish seventh in the United States national championship. In 1978 he claimed the top spot in the South Atlantic junior men's regional competitions.

In 1980 Bruno's skating life turned full circle when he joined the ice extravaganza whose predecessor inspired him to skate as a youngster.

"I decided to give up my amateur status and join the ice show," he explained. "I felt that I probably could have gone on with my competing and done well nationally, but it takes a long time and a great deal of training.

"And I'm happy now."

Bruno Jerry
long - sought dream realized

In the NBA

Friday
New York at Boston
Utah at New Jersey
Portland at Philadelphia
Washington at Cleveland
Kansas City at Detroit
Atlanta at Milwaukee
Denver at Dallas
Houston at San Antonio
Chicago at Phoenix
San Diego at Seattle

Saturday
Portland at New York
Utah at Philadelphia
Milwaukee at Washington
Detroit at Atlanta
Cleveland at Indiana
Dallas at Houston
San Antonio at Kansas City
Los Angeles at Denver
Phoenix at Golden State

Sunday
Boston at Milwaukee
Houston at Phoenix
Golden State at San Diego
Chicago at Los Angeles
New Jersey at Seattle

Baltimorean on Pitt quint

One of the more promising freshmen players on the University of Pittsburgh - Bradford basketball squad is 6 - foot, 190 - pound Roman Franklin.

Dick Danielson, UPB coach, notes that the Panther squad lacks depth in the guard area and that Franklin's size dictates that's where he should play.

A graduate of Northern High School in Baltimore, Franklin, who averaged 14 points and eight rebounds per game and was the team's captain, was forced to play the forward's role because of his physical attributes.

His high school coach, Manny Warner, convinced the Panther staff that Franklin had the necessary equipment, both academically and physically, to be a solid college performer.

Football

COLLEGE GAMES
Thursday
Ala. St. at Tuskegee
Clark at Morris Brown

Saturday
Bethune vs. Fla. A-M at Tampa

NFL SCHEDULE
Thursday
Chicago at Detroit
Seattle at Dallas

Sunday
Buffalo at Baltimore
Cincinnati at Kansas City
Cleveland at Houston
Miami at Pittsburgh
Minnesota at New Orleans
New England at San Francisco
New York Jets at Los Angeles
Philadelphia at San Diego
St. Louis at New York Giants
Tampa Bay vs. Green Bay at Milw.
Washington at Atlanta

Monday Night
Denver at Oakland

CCB hosts cage meet

The annual Metro Men's basketball mixer is under way at Community College of Baltimore, running through Sunday.

The schedule:

FRIDAY — Dundalk vs. Howard, 3 p.m.; Anne Arundel vs. Essex, 5 p.m., and CCB vs. Harford, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY — Harford vs. Dundalk, 3 p.m.; Catonsville vs. Anne Arundel, 5 p.m.; CCB vs. Howard, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY — Essex vs. Harford, 3 p.m.; Howard vs. Catonsville, 5 p.m., and Anne Arundel vs. CCB, 7 p.m.

All games will be played in the college's Liberty Campus Field House, 2901 Liberty Heights Ave. The public is invited to attend free of charge.

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MVP Brett deserved the honor

George Brett's selection as the American League's most valuable player was richly deserved. He was the man most responsible for Kansas City's pennant-winning year.

Reggie Jackson finished second in the balloting, 101 points behind the winner, 335-234.

Other blacks beside Jackson to receive points were:

Willie Wilson, KC (169); Cecil Cooper, Milwaukee (160); Eddie Murray, Baltimore (106); Rickey Henderson, Oak. (31½); Al Oliver, Texas (31½); Al Bumbry, Ben Oglivie, Willie Randolph, Mike Norris, Mickey Rivers and Ken Singleton . . . LACY.

Buc cagers set 2 marks

HAMPTON, Va. — Guard Darryl Warwick poured in 29 points and center Al Godwin added 29 as Hampton Institute basketers set two school records Saturday en route to a 103-53 victory over Southeastern.

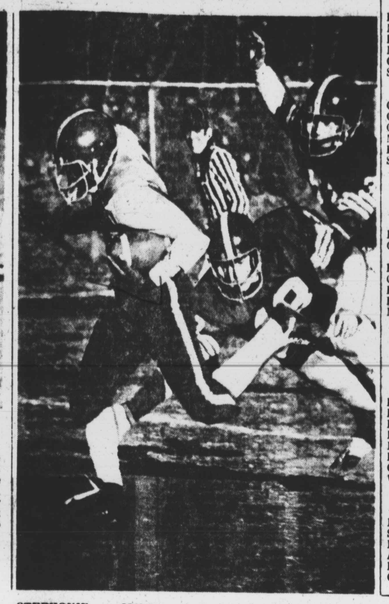
Guard Hank Hankerson had 16 points and forward Tony Washington added 14 as the Pirates set a new school record with their 50-point victory margin.

The Pirates hit 25 of 52 field goals, or 67.4 percent — also a new school record.

School Sports Scene

4 TDs Poly's Rodney Carter does it all

CARTER IN ACTION last week against Gilman as he led his school to a MSA "A" conference title victory. (AFRO Photo by Mark Gail)



STEPHONIE JOINES of Southwestern takes off on a 21 yard run for the second touchdown as 14 to 12, to win the "A" Conference Southwestern's J.V. beat Mt. St. Joe Junior Varsity Title last week. (AFRO photo by Mark Gail)

Tailback Rodney Carter leaded his fellow engineers to the Maryland scholastic association "A" conference title with a 28 to 14 win over Gilman at Towson State University last week.

Carter, a senior, scored all of Poly's touchdowns (4) and ran for 214 yards on 46 carries.

The victory was a sweet one for Rodney, who in September when the teams met, he had a case of the butter fingers fumbling twice as Poly lost the Gilman 14 to 12.

The Engineers wanted the title as this is the last year the "A" conference will have two divisions with Pattersen, Southern and Southwestern, all dropping back to the "B" conference.

Rodney Carter

This will leave only Northwestern and Poly, the only public schools in "A" conference play.

The title victory for Poly was its second since 1977 when the conference formed two divisions, coached by Augie Waibel. The Engineers have been in the title match all four years, beating Calvert Hall for the first title, but dropping the next two to Calvert Hall.

High school coach promoted

The newest name to be attached to the legend of Notre Dame football is Gerry Faust and no one, except possibly the new coach himself, doubts his ability to continue the Irish's winning tradition.

Faust was signed to a five - year contract and said he will be making more than the $60,000 - a - year he made as head coach of Cincinnati's Moeller High School, a Catholic prep school.

At an introductory luncheon on the campus Tuesday, Faust received praise from the Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, executive vice president of the university and chairman of the board of athletics, Edward "Moose" Krause, soon to be retired athletic director, and Dan Devine, who will retire as coach of the Irish at season's end.

"Gerry is the type of individual I would like to have my son play for," Devine said of Faust, 45.

"We feel quite strongly that Gerry Faust is the perfect individual to carry on the great tradition associated with athletics at Notre Dame," Joyce said.

Faust fielded several questions on his ability to move successfully from high school to college football.

"The biggest transition will be learning the ins and outs of a new program," Faust said.

About the players to be his new charges on the Notre Dame team, Faust said, "I think I have to be sincere, honest and straight - forward with the kids. I like to have discipline with compassion."

Faust said he had already started recruiting — making phone calls Monday to three of his Moeller stars and offering them scholarships if their grades were good enough. His Moeller teams have provided several fighting Irish players in past years.

Krause, stepping down after 31 years as athletic director of Notre Dame, said good football coaches can make the transition from high school to college to the pros and pointed to football legends Paul Brown and Vince Lombardi as examples.

"Paul Brown was an outstanding coach on the high school level, went on to Ohio State and became a success immediately at Ohio State, then took the next step to pro football and is today one of the top coaches that ever coached pro ball," Krause said. "Incidentally, Paul Brown has been very high on Gerry Faust."

Krause also said Lombardi made the change from high school to the pros with only a couple of years on the college level.

For Faust, the new post is the dream of a lifetime.

"Ever since the fifth grade, riding my bike back - and - forth from practice, I'd sing the Notre Dame fight song," Faust said. "I never had the opportunity to go to school here because I wasn't good enough to play. But I always followed Notre Dame, always have and always will.

"I don't think there is a greater honor that can be bestowed upon an individual than to be named football coach at Notre Dame," he said.

Faust held one of the poshest prep coaching positions in the nation.

In addition to his $60,000 salary, he had 13 assistants. His Moeller team won 70 of its last 71 games and took five of the last six state championships. He had a 174 - 17 - 2 record during his tenure as Moeller's first and only head coach.

He is the second high school coach to take over Notre Dame. The last was Terry Brennan of Chicago's Mount Carmel High School, who led the Irish from 1954 - 58 and posted a 32 - 14 record — regarded as dismal failure by Notre Dame standards.

Faust will become the 26th head coach dating back to 1894 in the history of the tradition - rich midwest independent. His predecessors include the legendary Knute Rockne, Frank Leahy and Ara Parseghian.

Devine announced his retirement at the beginning of the season, citing personal reasons.

The Irish, currently ranked No. 2 in the nation, are 9 - 0 - 1 on the season, giving Devine a 53 - 14 - 1 mark entering the regular season finale at Southern California Dec. 6.

Notre Dame also has a shot at the national championship with a date against top - ranked Georgia Jan. 1 at the Sugar Bowl.

BY THE WAY...

By Joe Black

Black America, may I ask where is the pride that we so loudly proclaimed during the past two decades? I am alluding to the fact that too often we want to shut our eyes, and our minds, to the blight in our communities.

Recently I had the opportunity to revisit the site of the home of the Brooklyn Dodgers. Where Ebbetts Field once stood, there is now an apartment building bearing the name of Dodger superstar Jackie Robinson. Normally I would applaud this gesture to preserve the name and memories of a great man like Jackie. But, instead, I felt sad. The building did not reflect the dedication, discipline, and class of Jackie Robinson. This is not an old edifice, but the graffiti on the walls and walks and the debris make it look like a low-income project that should be demolished through urban renewal. As I viewed the terrible waste, I recalled my visits to many of the other cities in this nation. My mind recaptured images of graffiti of racial identity and profanity and the bottles, cans, and papers that were more visible than grass or flowers.

Then I asked myself the big question: "Who is responsible for these negative acts?" The answer is an embarrassment to all of us Blacks because the culprits are Black youths. How or why have we allowed too many youthful Blacks to believe that evil destruction is a synonym for Black American?

Are we Black adults too lazy to provide the guidance that will lead our young to the onward and upward path of action? Or, are we too cowardly to confront them with the ideology of respect for people and property? Where were the parents of these young people while they were growing up?

My friends, we cannot place pressures on Black or White mayors to build better housing and recreational facilities for the impoverished when, instead of saying thank you, we show our gratitude by destroying or defacing those new properties.

Joe Black
Vice President
The Greyhound Corporation

MSA Standings

High School Sports

"A" Conference League Games Only

Division I

	W	L	T
Poly	4	1	0
McDonogh	4	1	0
Loyola	4	1	0
Mt. St. Joe	2	3	0
Curley	1	4	0
Southern	0	5	0

Division II

	W	L	T
Gilman	4	1	0
Gibbons	4	1	0
Calvert Hall	4	1	0
Northwestern	2	3	0
Patterson	1	4	0
Southwestern	0	5	0

"A" Conference
Leading Scorers (League Games Only)

	TD	2PTS	EP	TP
Pittman-McD	15	0	0	90
Carter-Poly	9	3	0	60
Etchison-Gilman	10	0	0	60
Paylor-Gibbons	9	1	0	56
Massey-N.W.	9	0	0	54

"B" Conference
League Games Only

	W	L	T
Lake Clifton	7	0	1
Dunbar	5	2	1
Edmondson	5	2	1
Northern	5	3	1
Mervo	4	3	1
Forest Park	3	5	1
Carver	1	6	1
Walbrook	0	7	1

"B" Leading Scorers

	TD	2PTS	EP	TP
McGlottin-Dunbar	8	2	0	52
Satterfield-Northern	6	3	3	45
Maddox-Dunbar	7	0	0	42
Adams-Douglass	6	2	1	41
Peterson-L.C.	5	4	0	36
Curtis-L.C.	6	1	0	36

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