TIGER FROM BALTIMORE — Larry Nance, former Baltimore high school star, drops in the winning basket to give Clemson a 81-50 over Louisiana Tech in the Rainbow Classic in Honolulu. The talented young freshman, leading the Tigers with a 17.1 scoring average, is largely responsible for Clemson's 8-1 record.

Women's national pin tourney entries close here next week

Women bowlers in Baltimore and throughout the rest of the country only have until Jan. 5 to enter the 1981 Women's International Bowling Congress Championship tournament, which will be held in Baltimore next spring.

That is the final date for accepting team entries to the 62nd annual WIBC championships, scheduled to run April 2 through May 25. Bowl America Odenton will host the team event, while doubles and singles will be held at Brunswick Perry Hall Lanes.

Entries have already been received from all 50 states, and in addition, several foreign countries will also be represented. A number of teams will be competing from both Canada and Bermuda as will one team each from The Philippines and Jappan.

At the 1980 WIBC event in Seattle, Wash., a Japanese team, All Japan, earned the five-woman team championship with a 3014 score, fifth highest total on tournament records.

As of Dec. 15, the entry count showed 5,508 five-woman teams, or slightly more than 27,500 women bowlers, had entered the event. The final total is expected to approach the 7,000 team mark, or nearly 35,000 women bowlers.

Once competition gets underway, bowling will continue 16 hours a day, seven days a week for the duration of the tournament. Should a late surge of entries warrant, the May 25 closing date could be extended.

Fight champ's assailant claims she is his wife

CINCINNATI (UPI) — The woman who allegedly shot boxing champ Aaron Pryor claimed Monday the two were married last month, but Pryor's attorney denied the claim.

The woman, Theresa Adams, 32, made the marriage claim after being released from jail Monday when Pryor refused to file charges against her and police decided "the case is closed."

Pryor, 25, the undefeated World Boxing Association junior welterweight champion, suffered superficial wounds when shot once with a 22-caliber pistol Sunday afternoon at Ms. Adams' home.

Doctors said the bullet grazed Pryor's right abdomen and then entered and exited his right forearm, causing no significant damage. Doctors said Pryor can resume training in about a week.

After Pryor was shot at 3:15 p.m. Sunday, police took Ms. Adams into custody for investigation.

"She told us she fired the shot, but Aaron told us he didn't wish to file any charges and wouldn't assist in any prosecution against her," said police specialist Ronald Ottlinger.

Ms. Adams described herself as Pryor's wife, saying they were married Nov. 25 in New Orleans, where Pryor had gone to watch the Sugar Ray Leonard - Roberto Duran fight.

She said the marriage hadn't been publicly disclosed "because we were going to have the wedding in either the spring or the summer and we figured if everybody knew we were already married, they wouldn't come to our wedding."

"We basically got married because we were going to adopt a baby that was being born this month, which we have done. He's three weeks old now and we wanted him to born immediately with the name 'Pryor.'

"I love my husband very much and hoepfully things will be worked out and he will be home soon."

But Pryor's attorney, Kenneth Seibel, denied the marriage, saying, "If you check the records, you will find nothing, because it never happened."

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(Photo by C. R. Tuckson)

WES UNSELD is still the mainstay of the Washington Bullets despite his bad knees, sprained ankle and all. These injuries did not stop Wes from showing his worth against Houston and his much younger rival Moses Malone. Wes was the big gun at the Bullets topped the Rockets, 115-97, at Capital Centre.

Nance, Clemson win in Hawaii

HONOLULU — Vincent Hamilton scored six points in overtime and Baltimorean Larry Nance added four more on two stuffs Tuesday night to give Clemson a 75-71 victory over the University of Hawaii and capture the Rainbow Classic championship.

With the score tied at 63-63 after regulation play, Fred Gilliam got the Tigers, now 10-1, on the board first with a 15-foot jumper.

Hamilton followed with a layup off of a four-corner offense and after a basket by Hawaii's Aaron Strayhorn, Hamilton countered with another field goal and two free throws to give the Tigers a six-point bulge with 1:31 left.

Nance was the game's high-scorer with 16 points. Hamilton, Chris Dodds and Horace Wyatt each had 12.

For Hawaii, Hacky Sesler and Jack Miller shared honors with 15 a piece.

BIRD TO INDIAN — Pat Kelly, one of the most popular Orioles for the past four years, was signed as a free agent Monday by the Cleveland Indians. Pat and older brother Leroy, a former pro football standout, are both Morgan State products.

Jailed Globetrotters await Brazil release

SAO PAULO, Brazil — Lawyers for two Harlem Globetrotters basketball players imprisoned on drugs and robbery charges said Tuesday that the two could be deported before the New Year.

Sam Lee Drummer, 24, of Muncie, Indiana and Rickey Wayne Brown, 25, of Houston, were arrested for possession of cocaine and marijuana Nov. 14 while their team was touring Brazil.

Drummer was also charged with theft of silver cutlery from the Hilton Hotel in Sao Paulo, where the team was staying.

"We hoped they would be deported by now," lawyer Vera Marcia da Silva told UPI. "All the papers are ready in Brasilia, but they still have to be signed by the president."

Since their arrest Drummer and Brown have been held in the cells of the Political Police Headquarters in Sao Paulo.

Brud Holland to be honored

MIAMI BEACH — Former All - American end at Cornell Dr. Jerome "Brud" Holland is one of two persons cited as honorees at the American Football Coaches Association dinner here Jan. 8.

To be honored at the same time will be veteran sportswriter Fred Russell of the Nashville (Tenn.) Banner.

Holland, now of New York, starred for the Big Red in the days when college players went both ways — offense and defense — and captained the team in his senior year.

A former president at Delaware State College and Hampton Institute, as well as a former ambassador to Sweden, Holland will receive the Tuss McLaughry Award for service to others.

Jerome 'Brud' Holland Cornell All - American

Stake races mark Bowie opening days

The 1981 Maryland thoroughbred racing season gets under way at Bowie in high gear with stakes set for the first three days of racing beginning Jan. 1.

The New Year's Day will be highlighted by the third running of the $50,000 Resolution Handicap. Post time for the first race is 12:30 p.m.

Following the Resolution for 3-year-olds and up at a mile and a sixteenth are the $35,000 added E. Palmer Heagerty Stakes (Jan. 2) and $40,000 added Southern Maryland Handicap (Jan. 3).

General manager Alvin A. Karwacki is looking forward to the 60-day meeting with optimism.

AN MVP FROM D.C. — Sidney Lowe, a product of Washington high school basketball, holds high the most valuable player trophy awarded him after he had led North Carolina State to a 64-55 victory over St. John's in title game of the ECAC Holiday Festival at Madison Square Garden.

Erving, Gervin top NBA picks

NEW YORK (UPI) — Philadelphia's Julius Erving leads a four-player battle for the two starting forward positions on the Eastern Conference's squad in the 1981 NBA All-Star game, according to the latest vote count of fan balloting.

Erving, who had 155,241 votes in the balloting announced Tuesday, was followed by the Atlanta front court pair of Dan Roundfield (145,995) and John Drew (134,816). Marques Johnson of the Milwaukee Bucks was fourth with 120,185 votes.

Julius Erving out front in East

In the West, 1980 All-Star MVP George Gervin of San Antonio has moved into position for a starting berth, trailing only Paul Westphal of Seattle and holding a 9,000-vote edge over David Thompson.

In the NBA

Friday
Cleveland at New Jersey
Chicago at Washington
Indiana at Atlanta
New York at Detroit
Houston at Dallas
Los Angeles at San Antonio
Utah at Kansas City
Phoenix at Denver
Boston at Golden State
Philadelphia at Seattle

Saturday
Atlanta at New York
Washington at Cleveland
San Diego at Indiana
San Antonio at Chicago
Denver at Houston
Portland at Utah
Seattle at Phoenix

Sunday
Indiana at New Jersey
San Diego at Milwaukee
Boston at Portland

Monday
Dallas at Seattle

NFL playoff odds listed

[illegible], Nev. (UPI) — Harrah's Reno-Tahoe Sportsbook Tuesday listed Philadelphia, San Diego, Cleveland and Atlanta as favorites for this weekend's NFL playoff games.

The Eagles were picked by 7 points over the Minnesota Vikings, the Chargers by 3½ over the Buffalo Bills, the Browns by 3 over the Oakland Raiders and the Falcons by 2 over the Dallas Cowboys.

Liquor store bankrupts former NFL star Eller

MINNEAPOLIS (UPI) — It was not a very happy Christmas for football great Carl Eller, a hero during his 16 years with the Minnesota Vikings.

Eller has run into serious financial problems. He has had a part with three NFC Championship rings and has hocked his other valuables at a Hennepin Avenue pawn shop.

The Minneapolis Star said Eller, who retired last year after playing one year for the Seattle Seahawks, has filed for a chapter XI bankruptcy in federal court.

Eller's financial problems apparently stem from a liquor store he owned in North Minneapolis. The store has been sold.

Neither Eller nor his attorneys would comment. However, court records showed Eller has unsecured debts in excess of $116,000 and payments on his home in North Minneapolis are $2,257 in arrears.

ALL WE'VE GOT, COACH — Quarterback J. C. Watts and Oklahoma coach Barry Switzer spent a lot of time this week getting acclimatized in the Orange Bowl where the Sooners met Florida State New Year's (Thursday) night. In three previous trips to Miami, Oklahoma beat Tennessee, Michigan and Nebraska. Watts assured his coach: "We'll give it all we've got."

Cardozo Band leaves for Rose Bowl Parade

By Yvonne J. Carter

WASHINGTON

"Let's go! Let's go! Write your name and address. Put your bags over to your left. Put all instruments on the right," said Jim Foster in an attempt to get the luggage ready for the Cardozo High School Marching Bands long flight to California.

"Give me some tags," said one of the students tapping Foster on his shoulder.

"Are you going to carry this on the plane ?" Foster impatiently asked the student while handing him the tags.

Foster, a 1933 graduate of Cardozo and the mailing coordinator with the Rose Bowl Committee, was one of several volunteers at Cardozo Monday, to see the students off to represent the East Coast, New Year's Day, at the Rose Bowl Parade.

Bubbling with excitement, students darted in and out of the crowded main corridor of Cardozo High School getting their uniforms, instruments and luggage in order.

"This is a big experience for me," Walter Fletcher said, trembling a little from excitement and a lot from the cold. "I've never been there in my life. I'm so excited I don't know what to say. But I've got my act together. I'm fourth to the best drummer in the line."

"We've done a lot of traveling, but this is our first flight," exclaimed Jennifer Jones, a senior, who has been a member of the band for three years.

"In the beginning I didn't think we were going to make it. We had bake sales every day, and car washes and dances on Saturdays. We even solicited door-to-door," she added.

"Back in September, I didn't think we were going to make it. But when the money started rolling in around the middle of November, I knew we were going," another band member, Kenneth White pointed out.

Karen Ingram, a first year majorette with the band, was very excited and a little bit scared. "I've never ridden a plane before. This is our first time going this far. I'm really excited."

"I'm tired . . . but excited," Sylvia Hall said wearily. Hall's two children, William and Frances, are both in the band. "I've been working with Cardozo's band since 1972 when my oldest daughter was a member. My children have told everybody about the parade. My relatives and friends in New York and Boston will be watching it on television."

"This is a once in a lifetime thing for these children. This is something Mr. Gill has worked very hard for since he's been here," she pointed out.

Robert Gill, the director of Cardozo's band for the past 11 years feels that all of the credit for the band's going to the Rose Bowl should go to the community. "It really feels good to represent an area that supported us so well. Credit should be given to the community that raised such a large amount of money when money wasn't flowing."

"We have 166 students, the largest and strongest we've ever been," Gill said. "We're going out there knowing that our community supports us."

Waverly M. Jones, principal of Cardozo, is proud that the school was even selected to go to the Rose Bowl. "There are a lot of good feelings around here. Everybody's excited and happy that the Metropolitan area has enabled us to go."

"The response has been magnificent from the whole area. I can't begin to express my gratitude. I know that Gill has got the kids ready in a manner that will make us all proud. I'm going along with the kids and see that they enjoy themselves and get the experience of a life time," Jones said.

CARDOZO HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND members prepare to board buses en route to Baltimore - Washington International Airport for the Pasadena Rose Bowl Parade.

(Photos by Milton Williams)

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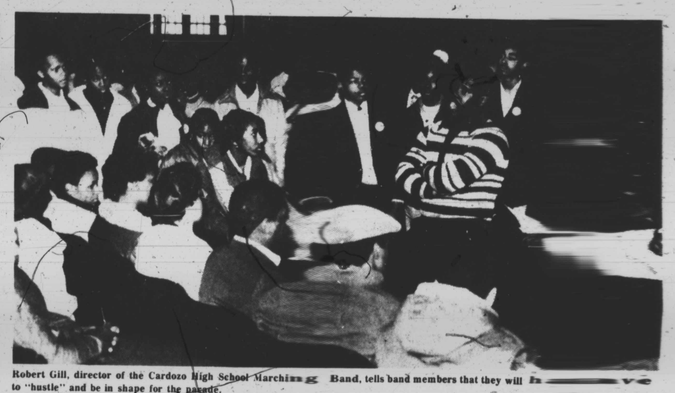
WANDA COSBY, mother of band member Melvin Cosby, labels baggage for air flight to California.



Robert Gill, director of the Cardozo High School Marching Band, tells band members that they will have to "hustle" and be in shape for the parade.

JENNIFER JONES WALTER FLETCHER

KAREN INGRAM KENNETH WHITE

CARDOZO HIGH Majorette Constance Hughes lays her band uniform on the pile stacked ten high.

BAND MEMBER James Poindexter helps Tracy Hatton with music instruments aboard waiting truck.

THE CARDOZO HIGH SCHOOL Marching Band, which left the city Monday evening for Pasadena, California, where they will play in the annual Rose [illegible] on New Year's Day swept past the historic school building at 13th and Clifton Sts., N.W. Millions of TV viewers will see the Cardozo Band in action.

BAND MEMBERS inspect music instruments before loading on waiting truck at Cardozo High School.