School Sports Scene

Championship title up for grabs

Act 2: Roundball bests to meet at Civic Center

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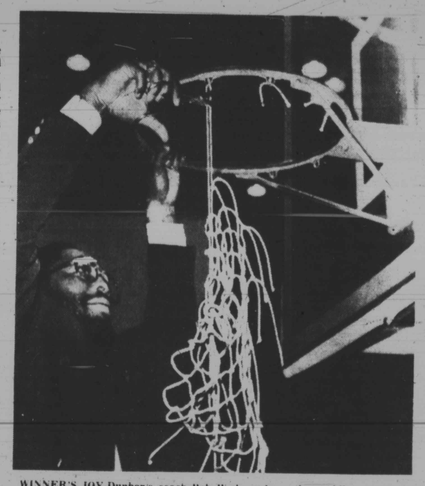

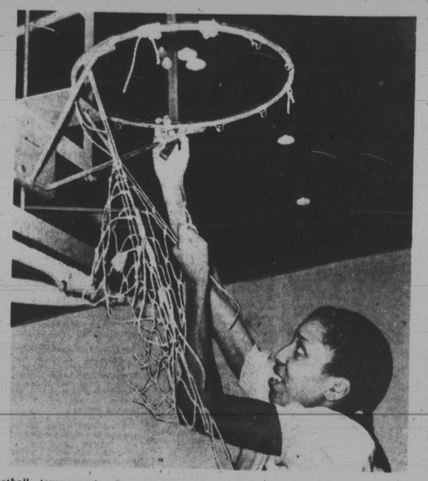

WINNER'S JOY-Dunbar's coach Bob Wade and Walbrook star Denise Brockington enjoy the victors' tradition of cutting the nets after taking the public school basketball tournament at Morgan State University. Dunbar will face Lake Clifton and Walbrook will meet Western again, however, this week, as the public school bests vie for the championship titles.

The teams will be the same but the scene will be different this Sunday when Dunbar and Walbrook meet their arch opponents, Lake Clifton and Western in the public school championship bouts at the Civic Center.

Just two weeks ago, six points decided the winners in the public school basketball tournament at Morgan State University. With Dunbar having been the city champs for the past five years, and the Walbrook - Western match always drawing high hopes on both teams, the results at MSU were predictable, if not a bit disappointing to the losing teams.

In Sunday's encore, however, coaches from six area high schools are not relying on past performances to determine the winners, but are looking instead to the talent and skill on all four teams. As they see it, there will be no "winner" until the final basket is scored.

The meeting between the Poets and the Lakers will be the fourth showdown for the eastside roundball powers. In the first meeting of the two, Lake Clifton stomped Dunbar, 67-61 to gain the eastside basketball bragging rights. That claim lasted until early January, when Dunbar beat Lake Clifton, 68-64, relying on free throws awarded by a sloppy Lake Clifton defense.

With the win at MSU two weeks ago, Dunbar has a 2-1 edge over the Lakers, but Laker Coach Woody Williams believes that "all good things bounce back," and hopes to even the series to 2-2 in Sunday's game.

Walbrook coach Gerald Boyd and John Nash of Douglass think that Williams' optimism is admirable, but unrealistic.

"The Lakers will be up for the game but Dunbar has the winning tradition," said Nash. Boyd feels much the same way.

But Carver coach Charlie Moore says Lake Clifton will offer the public school leagues a big surprise.

"I look for a Lake Clifton upset," he said. "I believe they will put all the pieces of the puzzle together for this one."

On the girls' side, the Walbrook Warriors are favored to beat Western by three area coaches.

"It's just a feeling," said City coach Sue Young. "Walbrook was a little flat but if they stay cool and play as a unit, they will win."

Dunbar's Jennifer Jones and Edmondson's Paul Shuford both agree with Coach Young that the lady Warriors can do it again because of the wealth of talent on Coach Pete Connally's team.

But all three admit that if Walbrook gets overconfident the well-seasoned Western team could pull an upset and go for it.

Western coach Joe Rosendale plans to change strategy for the big game, controlling the boards, working inside better and shaping up his defensive moves. Rosendale is hoping for better foul shooting, realizing that the girls have to improve on their 40-percent average accuracy from the foul line.

Sunday's championship games are set for the girls at 1:15 p.m. and at 3:15 p.m. for the boys.

Boys junior varsity games are also set for Sunday at 11:45 a.m., with Carver and Walbrook going at each other for the title.

Gymnastics

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WONDER WOMAN — Cathy Thomas of Western shows her skill on the vaulting event at the recent MSA gymnastic finals held at Lake Clifton High School. With her score of 58.40, Thomas took first place in the bars, beam and vaulting events, and second place in the floor event, helping to bolster the over - all Western score of 213.80. Forest Park came in second with a 177.70 score, followed by Poly with 174.75 and Lake Clifton, which posted a 163.25. Thomas, a relative novice in gymnastics, has only been involved in the sport for two years, and has been an important driving force behind the excellent Western seasonal records.

Cathy Thomas

Dual winner

POLY STAR — Kevin Stanley took honors in 112 - lb. class during recent public school tournament, and also claimed title in 112 - lb. class in the MAS mat finals.

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WINNERS — Gilbert Reyes of Patterson and Ronald White of Edmondson were named most valuable players at the public school tournament held recently, and both placed fourth in the MSA mat finals at Poly. Reyes in the 98 - lb. class, and White in the 119 lb. class.

ENERGETIC ENGINEERS — A happy Poly wrestling team posed with coach Bill Hastings after winning the 1st annual Public School Wrestling Tournament by beating host Mervo 181½ to 180¼ in recent matches. The Poly grapplers had just as much to smile about in the MSA Wrestling Tournament, finishing fourth with 112½ points.

Final MSA standings next week

Calvert Hall honors Paul Kinney

Students and faculty at Calvert Hall College are collecting one million pennies to establish a memorial scholarship in the name of the late Paul Kinney, the star basketball player from Calvert Hall who died of a heart attack during a pre-season scrimmage last year.

The pennies, collected during February and March, will be the beginning of an annual scholarship to be awarded to a financially disadvantaged student who would not otherwise be able to attend Calvert Hall.

The fund was initiated at the time of Kinney's death at the request of his family and the faculty and student body of Calvert Hall. Not limited to athletes, the scholarship will be awarded to an academically able student who needs financial assistance to attend the Catholic preparatory high school.

Brother Rene Sterner, principal of Calvert Hall, set the goal of the pennies drive at one million—equal[9] to $10,000. According to Brother Sterner, the amount will enable enough interest to be drawn so that one full scholarship will be easily awarded to a student, beginning next year.

Various activities have been planned by the student body to help collect the money, including dance marathons, bike-a-thons, marathon cross country runs, benefit basketball games and door-to-door collections.

Anyone wishing to make a donation to the fund may do so by sending his contribution to "The Paul Kinney Scholarship Fund, co Calvert Hall College High School, 8102 LaSalle Road, Towson, Maryland 21204.

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Suspect held in teacher's hit-run death

By Pam Widgeon
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Larry Lambson, a young school teacher, had planned on returning to college to get his master's degree. His family said he loved working with his students and was a good English teacher.

Lambson, 26, left his Bentalou Street home around 4:10 p.m. Wednesday to walk a friend home. These were the last minutes of life for Larry.

He was killed on his was back home after being hit by a car as he crossed North Avenue and Smallwood Street. Witnesses told police the driver of the brown Chevrolet never stopped and the impact hurled Lambson a considerable distance.

Craig F. Sulton, 21, of the 6200 block of Robin Hill Rd., was charged with automobile manslaughter while driving with a suspended license. Police report Sulton surrended and is being held at City Jail. Bail was set at $16,500. According to police, Sulton was a self employed car washer and was returning the brown Chevrolet to its owner when he had the accident.

Police state Sulton was wanted for several traffic violations including reckless driving and operating with a suspended license. The driver of the death car continued east after the accident and police traced the registration of the car to Bernard Hill, Inc., a men's clothing firm at Hopkins Plaza.

Lambson had been teaching at Benjamin Franklin Junior High School since September 1980. He graduated from City College, where he played football, Community College of Baltimore and Coppin State College last Spring.

He was a member of Iota Phi Theta Fraternity Inc. Funeral services for Lambson will be held Saturday 12:00 at Ames United Methodist Church, Carey and Baker Streets.

Relatives state Lambson was a member of Ames and a former member of the Junior Ushers, Youth Choir, Methodist Youth Fellowship and Boy Scouts.

Larry Lambson

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Dorothy Ann Lambson; father, Clarence E. Lambson Sr; one brother, Clarence E. Lambson Jr., one sister, Miss Cheryl Lambson and a grandmother, Mrs. Selena Isabelle.

Our newest judge

Arrie Davis named to District Court

By Pam Widgeon
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Judge Arrie W. Davis, 40, who was sworn in as the fourth black judge in District Court on March 2, says he is looking forward to being very active and a progressive judge.

"I don't intend to be bound by tradition. I intend to be innovative as long as it serves the ends of justice and keeping with the established laws and rules," the 40-year-old judge told the AFRO.

Judge Davis who was appointed by the governor, will be sitting in traffic court and will be taking the seat left vacant by Judge Vera Munger who retired.

There are 22 district court judges, including one white female and four black males. The AFRO learned there will be two vacancies on the bench when Judge Jerome Robinson's retirement is effective March 31 and Judge Allan Spector will resign on March 23.

AFRO sources state that Juvenile Master Makel Hubbard and Alice Pinderhughes, an assistant attorney general, have filed applications for the vacancies.

Judge Davis is a graduate of University of Maryland and Morgan State University and University of Baltimore Law School. He was admitted to the Maryland Bar in November 1969 and admitted to practice before the United State Supreme Court, United States Court of Appeals for the fourth circuit, the District

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(Photo by Roman Hankewycz)

SWEARING IN — Judge Arrie W. Davis (left) is shown with Judge Edward F. Borgerding, administrative judge of district court one, following a ceremony at district court on March 2. Judge Davis formerly worked in the Criminal Appeals Division of the — attorney general's office and represented the state in criminal appeals.

Monumental Health wins few more days of grace

The battle to save the financially troubled Monumental Health Plan will continue next week in federal court.

The State Insurance Commissioner asked a judge for a court order to put the health plan out of business by March 31 but Monumental officials are seeking a permanent restraining order to prevent federal authorities from withdrawing the license and federal funding.

The hearing is set for Thursday, March 12 before Judge Shirley Jones.

Monumental officials are confident that an Atlanta investment will be able to produce the needed funds to help the plan which is struggling to remain one of the largest black businesses in the city.

Commissioner Edward Birrane officially denied to renew the company license Tuesday, which means the company is currently doing business illegally.

The attorney handling the case for the state said, however, that the commissioner must obtain the restraining order before any other action can be taken against the plan.

Birrane took the action because the health maintenance organization failed to meet a deadline this week to raise the $1.3 million in private funds.

Monumental officials are hoping to hear from the Atlanta firm before the hearing next week. "The feds took a year to give us the $1 million. But they want us to raise $1.3 million in 30 days," said Dr. H. Garland Chissell, president of Monumental.

CCB plans development of unused land

By James M. Abraham
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Community College of Baltimore President Rafael Cortada turned toward the large window which overlooked a barrenstrip of land outside the Lockwood Building of the CCB Harbor Campus.

"Look at that," he said, "that is the only vacant land that you've got on Pratt St. We were here first, when no one wanted to take a chance down here, but now we're on the golden strip."

The president was speaking of a just-released CCB task force proposal to to erect a conference center and retail-intertainment facility on the U-shaped parcel of land surrounding the Lockwood Building of the campus.

Last year, Mayor Schaefer had approached the school with a proposal that the Lockwood building be sold. According to the mayor's formula, the building, which was barely ten years old, would have been razed in order to build a luxury hotel.

But the latest plan to develop the land near the building, according

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300 police brutality cases ruled 'secret'

By Sue Williams
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A University of Baltimore graduate student has been thwarted in his attempts to obtain access to certain public records on police brutality in the city of Baltimore by the City Solicitor's office on the basis that disclosure of the information requested would constitute a breach of the city code of the Maryland Public Information Act.

David Lee Hoshall, who is studying criminology at the University of Baltimore, requested access to the records which give accounts of over 300 cases of police brutality in the city over the past three years, in an attempt to complete a study on the subject for his master's thesis.

Having obtained approval for the project by his graduate advisor, Hoshall then submitted a request for the records to the Community Relations Commission, an agency for which he had at one time worked and from which he had access to the records in the first place. The CRC holds all such records.

But, he said, his request was turned down by the CRC and referred to the City Solicitor's office for a final decision, which also denied Hoshall's request, on the basis that disclosure of the

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Ex-Douglass student slain by security guard

By Pam Widgeon
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Police report they still have not determined if a 16-year-old former Douglass High School student, who was killed by a security guard after a bank hold-up on North Avenue was involved in the robbery.

Daniel Wright, of the 800 block of North Ave., was shot by a Northwestern Investigating security guard after several males robbed the North Avenue branch of Advance Federal Savings and Loan Association around 10 a.m. March 2.

Witnesses told police Wright was an innocent bystander who was standing on the corner near a bus stop. Relatives told the AFRO Wright had taken his younger brother to St. Peter Claver School at Fremont and Pennsylvania Avenue.

No charges have been filed against Moses Bradley, the 72-year-old security guard who was working at the bank.

Police report eight customers were in the bank when several young men entered and started pushing the customers, while another man ran to one of the bank tellers and demanded money.

Bradley was forced to lie on the floor and when the suspects left the bank, police state the security guard ran outside with his .357 magnum and shot the teenager.

An uncle told the AFRO, "We thought Danny was at his grandmother's house when he did not come home Monday night. It was not like him to disappear.

When John Pearson, Wright's stepfather saw a drawing and heard a description of the teenager on the television Tuesday, he called the police.

Relatives state Wright was employed with the Comprehensive Employment Training Act and liked to play basketball and football.

Funeral services for Wright will be held Saturday 11:30 a.m. at Charles Law Funeral Home. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Prodgelee Jeffries; one sister, Miss Lisa Jeffries; one brother, Joseph Jeffries; grandmothers, Mrs. Prodgell Green and Mrs. Elizabeth Wright.

33 groups say 'keep' Medicaid

A group of 33 major national health, labor and citizens organizations is strongly urging Congress not to put a cap on the Medicaid program.

The coalition is also calling for a full legislative hearing before any action is taken to limit the flow of medicaid funds to millions of needy recipients.

In a letter to every member of Congress, groups ranging from the U.S. Conference of Mayor, National Council of Senior Citizens to the American Association of Homes for the Aging and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees said;

"We are in favor of making the Medicaid program more cost - effective . . . however, a change as fundamental as a Medicaid cap should not be made until its impact is assessed through public hearings, debate and the full legislative process."

President Reagan has asked Congress to move quickly to cut this vital medical assistance program, in contrast to his promise not to touch "social safety programs for the poor.

Currently, Medicare only covers "a little more than one-third of senior citizens health care costs." Since its creation in 1965, Medicaid has become an essential com-

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Wear ribbons

Alarmed by the continuing tragedy in Atlanta, local and national organizations joined forces this week in expressing sadness and concern over the missing and murdered black children in the Georgia city.

Acting in the way a number of national groups, including radio stations, TV channels and newspapers, have responded, the Supporting Staff Organization of the Howard University College of Dentistry has established a fund - raising drive to help the families of the children.

At the same time, Friday, March 6, the group will distribute green ribbons to be worn in sympathy and support of the Atlanta drive.

At the same time, the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, through its national president, Mona Humphries Bailey, issued a resolution urging President Reagan to assign the FBI and federal monetary resources to assist in apprehending the murder (s) of the 21 black children in Atlanta."

U. Theodore Hayes who retired May 1978 as a hearing master in the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, Division for Juvenile Causes, died Thursday at Provident Hospital after a brief illness. Master Hayes was 72-years-old and funeral arrangements were not complete at AFRO presstime.

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