Coppin State rolls to second MEAC win

Coppin State, proving its legitimacy as a member of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, shocked longtime member Bethune-Cookman, 60-56, on the latter's court Wednesday night.

Down by five points at halftime, the Baltimoreans rallied behind the Steve Miller (22 points) and Mark Lewis (18) to erase the 32-27 deficit and roll to victory.

It marked the second win in three MEAC starts for the surprising Eagles. And it followed a second straight victory over a potential contender. The previous victim was A and T, the defending champion.

Upcoming Saturday is a visit for both the Coppin men and women to South Carolina State.

The Lady Eagles scored their first triumph last weekend, downing Bowie State, 53-50.

Williams in Hall of Fame

NEW YORK (UPI) — Billy Williams, the most productive left-handed hitter in Chicago Cubs' history, and Jim "Catfish" Hunter, the first player to sign a lucrative free-agent contract, Wednesday were voted into the Baseball Hall of Fame by the Baseball Writers Association of America.

In balloting by 413 members of the BBWAA, Williams received 354 votes and Hunter 315. A player must be named on 75 percent of the ballots to gain election.

Williams, who missed election by four votes last year, was the NL's Rookie of the Year in 1961 and twice finished runner-up in MVP balloting. His best season came in 1973 when he won the NL batting title with a .333 average and had 37 homers and 122 RBI

The 'other Reggie' also stars

Georgetown has its Reggie Williams. Northeastern has another Reggie — also from Baltimore Dunbar — who is equally as effective in Boston as is the Hoya star in Washington.

Reggie Lewis who was New England player of the year in 1986, scored 21 points to lead five Northeastern players in double figures Tuesday night in a 74-65 victory over Hartford in an ECAC North Atlantic contest.

The Huskies improved to 11-5 overall and 5-0 in conference play. The Hawks, losing their fifth straight game, dropped to 6-7 and 0-4.

2 Rockets banned from NBA

NEW YORK (UPI) — Two professional basketball players have been banned from the National Basketball Association for at least two years because they tested positive for cocaine use and did not voluntarily seek help.

Guards Lewis Lloyd and Mitchell Wiggins - who rank fourth and fifth, respectively, in scoring for the Houston Rockets this season - were ejected Tuesday by NBA Commissioner David Stern.

Lloyd and Wiggins, both 27, were tested after information they may have been using drugs was presented to the league's independent expert, R. Harcourt Dodds. The tests were conducted Saturday and confirmed Monday night at a lab in South Plainfield, N.J.

Pro Bowl nixed

Miami Dolphins wide receiver Mark Duper underwent minor arthroscopic knee surgery Monday and will not be recovered in time to play in the Pro Bowl game in Honolulu Feb. 1, the club said Friday.

Duper will be replaced on the AFC roster by Dolphin teammate Mark Clayton.

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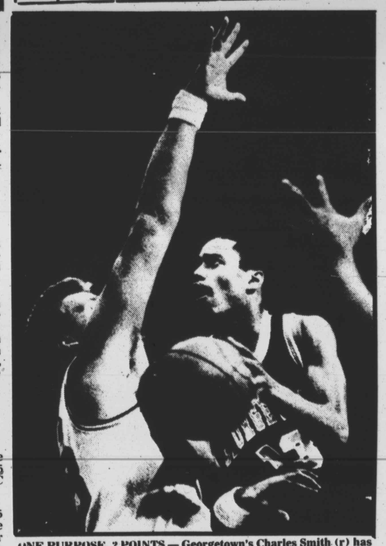

ONE PURPOSE, 2 POINTS — Georgetown's Charles Smith (r) has but one thought in mind as he is confronted by Villanova defender Wyatt Maker. That is to score a basket, which he did to the chagrin of his opponent. Smith and the Hoyas held on to defeat the Wildcats, 80-73, Monday night in Philadelphia. On Saturday, Georgetown meets Seton Hall, the only team to defeat the Hoyas thus far.

Morgan 5's continue 'romance with road'

Morgan State basketers, after a relatively encouraging start, have experienced a series of setbacks which they hope to compensate for once they are allowed to come home.

At the moment, they are in the throes of a 13-game road trip which has stretched from Arkansas to Texas to South Carolina to Illinois to New York.

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The Bears and Lady Bears have not enjoyed a home setting since Dec. 13.

Following a Thursday contest at Brooklyn College, the Morgan cagers move to Howard (DC) Saturday, then to UMBC on Monday.

Their first Hill Field House game in six weeks comes up Jan. 26 against Brooklyn, this to be followed five days later with Coppin State.

Collegiate basketball

WEEKEND GAMES

Thursday

Bowie St. at St. Paul's (women)
Morgan St. at Brooklyn College
Mt. St. Mary's at Howard (women)
Morgan St. at UDC (women)
S. Carolina State at Augusta
Fla. A&M at S.C. State (women)
Dickenson at Loyola (women)
Swarthmore at Lincoln
Newport News at Frostburg St.

Friday

Md., E. Shore at Fla. Int'l
Marymount at Frostburg (women)

Saturday

Morgan State at Howard
Morgan at Howard (women)
Coppin State at S.C. State
Coppin St. at S.C. State (women)
A and T at Bethune-Cookman
A and T at Bethune (women)
Marist at Loyola
Univ. of Maryland at Clemson
Wesley at Frostburg St.
Cheyney St. at New York Tech
Delaware St. at Lincoln (women)
Marietta at Frostburg (women)
UDC at Bowie State (women)

Sunday

Utica at Delaware State (women)

Monday

St. Paul's at Bowie St. (women)
Morgan State at UMBC
Md. E. Shore at Delaware St.
Md., E. Shore at Delaware St. (women)
Morgan St. at Lincoln (women)
Monmouth College at Loyola
Bucknell at Univ. of Maryland
Camden Rutgers at Lincoln
S.C. State at Bethune-Cookman
S.C. State at Bethune (women)
Salisbury St. at Frostburg (women)
Salisbury State at Frostburg St.

MIDWEEK RESULTS

A and T 59, Morgan (women) 49
A and T 65, Morgan State 46
Bethune 65, Delaware State 45
Central St. (lost) 56, Wayne St. 74
Claflin (lost) 84, Wofford 87
Coppin St. 53, Bowie St. 50 (women)
Fla. A&M (lost 87, Cleveland St. 95
Grambling 81, Alcorn 57
Howard 92, S.C. State 57
Jackson St. 65, Prairie View 62
Lane 68, Fisk 66
Langston (lost) 83, Phillips 84
Md., E. Shore (lost) 70, Central Fla. 100
Southern 102, Miss. Valley 59
Tenn. State (lost) 62, Murray St. 63
Texas Southern 77, Ala. State 72
Voorhees (lost) 84, Baptist 100

MLK, Bill Cosby, black trainer in focus at Laurel Monday

Laurel will offer a 10-race program on Monday, headed by the second running of the $50,000-added Harrison E. Johnson Memorial handicap, pitting the intense rivalry of John E. Owens, 3rd Stable Inc.'s Little Bold John and Jacque-Scott Stable's Sparrowvon. Both 5-year-old geldings are multiple stakes winners over the track.

In celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr.,'s Birthday on Monday, Laurel will commemorate a local black American, Harrison E. Johnson, the late trainer who was killed in a plane crash in August of 1985. In his honor half of all admissions will be donated to the Morgan State Athletic Department.

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The track also will award 50 pairs of tickets to see Bill Cosby, the star of America's number one rated t.v. show, at a benefit performance Thursday, Feb. 5 at Morgan State University. One lucky fan will win an invitation to a pre-show VIP Cocktail party.

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Harrison, a popular Virginia horseman, enjoyed most of his success on the Maryland-Delaware-West Virginia circuit while being stabled at Laurel.

In 1973, he engineered one of the most stunning upsets of the decade when he saddled modestly bred Gusty O'Shay to beat a field of fashionably bred 2-year-olds in the Hopeful Stakes at Saratoga.

Mrs. Lynette Johnson, widow of Harrison E. Johnson, her two sons, Dorian, 22, and Keith, 14 and Janie McLaughlin, mother of Mr. Johnson, will be luncheon guests of management. They will also be in the winner's circle for the trophy presentation following the running of the Harrison Johnson Memorial Handicap.

Two CIAA teams in NCAA top 10

Three black college teams — two from the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association — are ranked among the top 16 by the NCAA in Division II basketball this week.

The CIAA teams are Norfolk State (10-1) rated No. 4, and Virginia Union (9-2) ranked No. 10.

Cheyney State's predominately black five is placed 16th with a 10-2 record.

Scholastic notes

Boys Results

Carver 70, Patterson 66
Edmondson 84, Forest Park 74
Lake Clifton 59, Southern 54
Poly 79, Northwestern 78
Northern 58, City 54 (OT)
Southwestern 73, Douglass 69

Girls Results

City 53, Patterson 12
Forest Park 59, Mervo 42
Forest Park 57, S. Western 51
John Carroll 36, Towson Catholic 32
Western 79, Dunbar 15
Southern 53, Northern 48
Walbrook 71, N. Western 28
St. Paul's 41, Roland Park 27
Southern 32, Patterson 14
City 39, Poly 27

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Local events honor Dr. King

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JOURNALISM SYMPOSIUM—Shown are Ray Jenkins, editorial page editor of The Baltimore Evening Sun, Robert W. Matthews, III, executive editor of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers, and Dr. Calvin W. Burnett, president of Coppin State College. Mr. Jenkins and Mr. Matthews were the speakers at the Sixth Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. (A Program in Philosophical Theology) on Wednesday, Jan. 14 sponsored by the college's Department of Philosophy. The event took place in the ballroom of the Tawes Center. The theme was "Journalism and Ethics; Contemporary Issues of Credibility." Respondents to the speech were Ernest Lassiter, associate professor of journalism at Coppin State, and Dr. Alcott Arthur, Coppin assistant professor of philosophy.

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An overall picture is shown of the 12th Annual Martin Luther King Breakfast sponsored by the YMCA's King's Landing Camp. The 1,500 people in attendance heard former Rep. Parren J. Mitchell deliver the main address. The event took place at 7:30 a.m. Thursday morning at a Baltimore County banquet hall.

Destiny and events influence Martin Luther King

By Hamil R. Harris
Special to the Washington AFRO

The year was 1930; it was the beginning of another decade for the United States. The next 10 years would be a busy one for many Americans; for one individual these years would serve as the formulative years of a life that would reshape the world, the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

King was born Jan. 15, 1929, the son of the Reverend Martin Luther King, Sr. and Alberta Christine King, in Atlanta, Georgia.

From 1935 to 1944 King attended the David T. Howard Elementary School and Booker T. Washington High School. In 1944 King passes the entrance exam to Morehouse College before he graduated from high school.

During this same year period, in 1936, Jessie Owens upstages Hitlers Olympic games in Berlin by winning four gold medals. Franklin Roosevelt was elected to an unprecedented third term as President, while in 1939 Marian Anderson was barred from Constitutional Hall in Washington, D.C. by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

In 1941 the Japanese bomb Pearl Harbor while only two years later in 1943 race riots in Detroit killed 43.

In 1945 the Atom Bomb falls on Hiroshima and Nagasaki ending WWII while only two years later Jackie Robinson ended segregation in baseball by becoming the first black player in the major league.

Perhaps these events in our world's history served to formulate many of the ideas and attitudes that the young Dr. King took with him when he decided to stay home and attend Morehouse. But a chronological look at his life will give all who read, a chance a chance to see how the actions of one individual could make a difference in the world that he lived in.

1948

King is ordained to the Baptist Ministry, that same year he graduates from Morehouse College with a B.A. degree in Sociology. In September of that same year King enters Crozer Theological Seminary in Chester, Pennsylvania, after hearing a speech by Dr. A. J. Muste and Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson preached on the life and teachings of Mahatma Gandhi. King begins to study the teachings of Gandhi intensively.

1951

King graduates from Crozer with a B.D. degree. Two years later King marries Coretta Scott in Marion, Alabama.

1954

On Oct. 31, King is installed by the Rev. Martin Luther King, Sr., his father, as pastor of the Dexter Avenue Church, in Montgomery, Alabama.

1955

King receives a Ph.D. degree in Systematic Theology from Boston University. On Nov. 17 of that same year King's first child was born, Yolanda Denise. Less than one month later Mrs. Rosa Parks, a 42-year-old Montgomery seamstress, refuses to relinquish her bus seat to a white man and is arrested.

In December of that year the trail of Mrs. Parks began and a bus boycott was begun in Montgomery. Boycott leaders meet and elect Dr. King president of the Montgomery Improvement Association. Less than a week later bus service is suspended in the black community.

1956

It was a busy year for the King family In January King was arrested on a charge of traveling 30 mph in a 25 mph zone in Montgomery, but he was later released. Four days later a bomb was thrown onto the porch of his Montgomery home. Although no one was injured, the device landed only a few yards away from King's wife and small baby girl Yolanda.

In February of that year a suit was filed in federal district court asking Montgomery's travel segregation laws to be declared unconstitutional. Only 19 days later Dr. King finds himself as a defendent in a court case instead of a plaintiff, being charged with conspiracy to hinder and prevent the operation of bus business without, "just or legal cause."

Twelve months later Federal injunctions prohibiting segregation on buses are served on city and bus company officials in Montgomery. Injunctions are also served on state officials. One day later Montgomery buses are integrated.

1957

The Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) is founded. Dr. King is elected its president. In February of that same year Time Magazine puts Dr. King on its cover. In June of that year King meets with then Vice President of the United States, Richard M. Nixon. 1957 was a good year for King.

During this same year the first Civil Rights act since Reconstruction is passed in Congress, creating the Civil Rights Commission and a Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice. Also a second child is born, Martin Luther King the III.

1958

Dr. King, Roy Wilkins of the NAACP, A. Philip Randolph, and Lester Granger meet with President Dwight D. Eisenhower. That year Dr. King was again arrested and charged with, "failure to obey an officer," but was later released on bond. The month of September was a very memorable month for Dr. King. On the Seventeenth of that month Dr. King's book, "Stride Toward Freedom: The Montgomery Story," is published by Harper and Row.

Only three days later Dr. King is stabbed in the chest by Mrs. Izola Curry, a forty-two year old mentally deranged woman. The incident occurred in Harlem, N.Y. while King was autographing his book.

1959

Dr. and Mrs. King go to India for a month to study Mahatma Gandhi's techniques of nonviolence, as guests of Prime

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