AREA SPORTS

Coppin beats the Czechs

Oram Fiels squeezes through two Czech defenders for a lay-up attempt.

By Fred Lindsey
AFRO Sports Writer

In their first public exhibition of the new season, Coppin States men's basketball team had to come from behind to gain a 88-85 victory over the touring Czechoslovakian Junior National Team.

Leading during the early stages of the contest, the Golden Eagles had to close the game with a fury after the Czechs had built a comfortable lead and began to relax on offense.

"I'm happy that we won," said head coach Ron Mitchell.

"Anytime you win, it should be considered a plus, but this game showed that we still need to work on some things lost their concentration. The team is conditioned to play hard for 40 minutes."

Last year's leading Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) scorer Phil Booth contributed 14 points to Coppin's initial victory.

Derrick Orr had 11 points and Dwayne Nelson had 11 points and 12 rebounds against the taller European team, as Mitchell substituted freely.

"We wanted to get a good look at everybody," Mitchell said, "and I'm very pleased with the team's effort."

The Czechoslovakian team was led by Julius Michalik and Martin Jelinek with 32 and 27 points respectively.

before our official opener at St. Louis University in two weeks."

Even with Reggie Isaac's 26 points, the clear difference in the game was the condition of the Coppin State players.

Had they not been winded, the outcome for the Czech team would have reflected a different outcome, particularly in view of their outstanding outside shooting.

"We used a full-court, man-to-man press for the entire game," Mitchell said.

"It was designed to keep pressure on the ball and to force the opposition into mistakes. We didn't care if turnovers came because they were tired or because they

Coppin basketball coach Ron Mitchell surveying his team's performance.

Shorts Shots

Morgan's CC Team Completes Season

Morgan State University Men's and Women's Cross Country teams finished second and third respectively in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) Championships held recently at Howard University.

The men's team finished behind Florida A & M with Bear runners Troy Baker and Charles Sounder finishing in the top ten.

For the women, Morgan finished behind Howard and Del. State, Lady Bears Giselle Harris and Viola Harris placed third and ninth in a course that was set at 3.1 miles.

CCB's Metro Mixer

The men's basketball team at the Community College of Baltimore will begin its season, November 25-26 with its Metro-Mixer Tip-Off Tournament.

Invited to the round-robin tournament are Catonsville Community College, Montgomery-Rockville and Harford Community College. Games are at 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. on both days. Admission is free.

TSU Meets UMBC

Hoping to get off to a good start, the Towson State University men's basketball team will travel across town for its season opener on Tuesday, November 29 at local rival UMBC.

Look for both TSU's Kurk Lee and UMBC's Jerry Reynolds to come out smoking before the home town crowd. Game time is at 7:35 p.m.

City vs. Poly: more than a game

By Fred Lindsey
AFRO Sports Writer

For all intent and purposes, the 100th football meeting of Baltimore City College and Baltimore Polytechnic Institute was more than just a game.

This significant, historical event was the ultimate display of pride, loyalty and compassion from schools that have shown tremendous servitude to the City of Baltimore in the last century.

At a time when fears have turned to anger because of the violence in public schools, it is refreshing to realize that the reputation of these two institutions are as solid as ever.

Having played for the Maryland Scholastic Association A Conference Championship, the Poly/City game was the model of athletic competition a Thanksgiving Day tradition, and a celebration for Baltimore.

Poly was anxious to show that their 34-22 defeat, last year, by Chris Smith and Company was a fluke, after seventeen consecutive victories.

City, by contrast, was eager to prove that they were a first rate team and that last season's victory was accepted through the mormal course of events.

"We think that we can beat Poly again this year," said assistant coach Warren Schwartz a week before the game. "We have an excellent defense and it will be their job to stop the power of Poly.

That, in essense, was the game. But the outcome did not mater. With thousands at Memorial Stadium, the leadership of both schools should feel proud.

They should feel proud because of one of the "oldest football rivalries" in the country, supportive fans and the way that City/Poly Week has charmed the City.

"The rivalry and the competitiveness of the two schools is legendary," said Poly graduate Jim DeWald, who served as the announcer for the game. "But the game was just a clog in the scheme of Poly/City events.

"Both schools have made substantial contributions to the City of Baltimore and both alumni are very proud of their history.

"We hope that our shared glory will continue to impact on the future of Baltimore. Both City and Poly have helped develop local, state and national leaders. "Both schools have maintaned a strong academic program and both schools perceive life as a means of helping others."

Placed in its proper perspective, the Game was incidental to the contribution, the leadership and the responsiblities that these schools have exhibited, and it looks like the next hundred years will be even better.

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A vision that almost went unnoticed

By Theresa E. Mercer
AFRO Church Correspondent

Over the years, as Rev. Fountain was visiting different denominations, he noticed a division in the body of Christ!

A lot that could have been accomplished for the betterment of the community was not happening because of that division. From this, a vision that has been around since the early 1950's burned within him.

In 1985, Rev. Fountain began the vision by inviting nine different ministers from nine different churches to what started as a Bible study but, grew to be a Bible tutorial program.

Eventually the group began home Bible studies in what are considered some of the inner city's hot spots.

Because of access to drug counselors, the ministers are now able to refer drug addicts to a place of help where they are encouraged to make a change in their lives.

Some have felt that Rev. Fountain started this movement to bring attention to himself for the futherance of his ministry, or even to build himself up to pastor a church.

"To start a church," says Rev. Fountain, "has never been part of the vision. This vision is about bringing the body of Christ together."

The International All Saints Crusades and Youth Day which took place at the Memorial Stadium on Nov. 5 was another step to further the vision. About 500 hundred people attended the crusade.

Represented in that number were an abundance of ministers from several countries such as, Puerto Rico, Africa, Belgium, and Germany.

These ministers as so many other people heard of the vision, realizing the need came out to join in. Some of the ministries involved in the crusade are:

Salem Baptist, Pastor J. Robinson; New Creation, Pastor A. Claxton; Knox Presbyterian, Pastor G. Marshall; Strawbridge United Methodist, Pastor C. Johnson;

Holy Temple Church of Truth, Pastor, Timothy Cleary; Mt. Zion Apostolic, Pastor Edith Wilson; Magnum New Refuge Deliverance Center, Pastor Naomi Durant;

East Baltimore Deliverance Center, Pastor Christina Phillips.

Some of the ministries that are supporting the vision are: Rev. Chambers, Church of God and Christ, N.Y. City; Bro. Cory Brooks, Memorial Baptist Church on Liberty Hghts.;

Rev. Alkanah Hanson, Port Harcourt, Nigeria; Pastors Ray and Deana Garcia, Word of Life Christian Center;

Rev. Dr. J. O. Ogundipe, Salvation and Deliverance Church Inc., Oyo State,

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REV. ROBERT B. FOUNTAIN — Reaching out to the community in a crusade to heal the land and unify divisions in the Body of Christ.

REV. OSCAR GRAY — Raising his arms in the name of Jesus.

A MIGHTY MESSAGE — Rev. Cleary, pastor, Holy Temple Church of Truth recently hosted a night of prayer and revelation.

(All photos by Paris Gray)

REACHING OUT FOR CHRIST — Members of the body of Christ joined in a recent service to unite all denominations.

Expressions

Every organization should have a cause, a purpose, a goal, and a means by which that goal may be attained. The Church is no different.

Even the Church, if not careful of its purpose, can end up duplicating the work of other organizations.

If we are not making a unique contribution to the world, it may be better for us to disband and go our separate ways. Strong language, yes.

But the truth of the matter is that if the Church is going to devote its time duplicating the work of other service organizations, who is going to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ to the world?

Our purpose is, and rightly so, to proclaim the message of Jesus Christ, to proclaim that He died for our sins, that He was resurrected, yet lives, and will return one day.

It is with these purposes in mind that we can truly say: We have a vital purpose, a unique ministry that cannot be carried out by any other organization on the face of the earth.

This, of course, is not to say that the church should not be involved in the cause of moral reform. But moral education and social compassion won't necessarily make known the good news of Christ.

History reveals that from the very beginning, the church has championed the causes of moral education and reform.

Within the gospel is the power to turn decadent people around, people like those who lived in the city of Corinth, a city whose reputation rivals just about any known to man, both past and present.

They were known as adulterers, homosexuals, perverts, thieves, drunkards and slanderers. They were outrightly immoral.

But note what the Apostle Paul says in his writing to them: ". . . that is what some of you were. But you washed, you were sanctified . . . in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God" (I Cor. 6:9-11).

Wasn't it the church that gave these people a new power and code of ethics to live by? Of course it was!

But be careful; If we look at moral education as our unique mission, we've missed the boat. Christians are not the only people concerned with the promotion of ethical behavior.

There are many organizations concerned with such; just look around your town at the many social organizations that are concerned, including some businessmen.

In some schools, people want to see ethics included as part of the school curriculum. So, while ethics is an important element in the life of a Christian, it is certainly not unique.

So if not moral education, if not some type of social compassion, if these are not unique to our purpose and ministry, what is?

Clearly, the answer must be: Making known the wisdom of God. The Apostle Paul speaks to this: It is God's intent, he wrote to the Ephesians, that "through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known . . ." (3:10).

Jesus Christ, the very revelation of God, came and lived among us, died and rose for us, and now we can know God and His purpose for the world.

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Metro Church Briefs

100 Black Women honored

Emmanuel Christian Community Church will be honoring 100 Outstanding Black Women during the 11 a.m. worship service on Sunday, November 27. Among the honorees will be educators, political figures, doctors and other prominent black women.

The service is a celebration of the many contributions each woman has made to our community. Each participant will receive a Certificate of merit from Emmanuel Christian Community Church and the outstanding women with 25 or more years of service will also receive a Freedom Award from the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance.

Friendship Baptist Church

Annual Men and Women's Day will be held at Friendship Baptist Church, 6000 Loch Raven Blvd., Sunday, November 27.

10:30 a.m. speaker, Rev. William McCoy, pastor of Friendship; 3:30 p.m. speaker, Mrs. Thelma McCoy.

Macedonia Baptist Church

The Senior Choir will celebrate its 12th anniversary, Sunday, December 4. The speaker for the 11 a.m. service will be Rev. Leroy Gilliard,

At 3 p.m., The Inspirational Ensemble of Calvary Baptist Church will present a concert. The theme: Ministry is music; be skillfully prepared.

Oak St. A.M.E. Church, family month

Sunday, November 27 at 8 a.m., 11 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. we will be celebrating Homecoming Sunday. Dinner will be served immediately following the 11 a.m. service. then at 3:30 p.m. stay and worship with us along with the choirs and congregation of Union Bethel A.M.E. Church, Randalstown, where the fine pastor is Rev. Charles Sembly. Everyone is welcome to come — former members — old friends — new friends — come one, come all! And let's have a glorious homecoming time in the Lord.

Messiah Sing-Along

Sunday, Nov. 27, 3:30 p.m. if you'd like to sing . . . Bring your Messiah Score and let's Sing! Attire: Ladies — White blouse, Black skirt; men — Black suits, white shirt, tie.

If you don't sing — come and Enjoy! No admission charge, Harlem Park Community Baptist Church, 612-18 N. Gilmor Street. For further information call: 323-3668.

'The Messiah' to be presented

The Baltimore Chapel Choir, Morris C. Queen, Director, presents The Christmas Score, Handel's "The Messiah," Sunday, Dec. 4, 5 p.m., Sharp Street Memorial United Methodist Church, Dolphin and Etting Streets.

A WORD OF HOPE

By Maxine L. Wallace
Church News Editor

"O come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation." Psalm 95:1.

Beloved, the joy of the Lord is your strength. A songwriter once said, When I think of the blessings of Jesus and all he's done for me . . . my soul cries, Hallelujah! I thank God for saving me . . . And when I think of the blessings of heaven, and life eternity, I get joy, joy, joy.

Well . . . What is joy? Is joy based on circumstances and situations? . . . Is joy limited to an emotion, or a feeling? Who can have joy? . . . Is joy available to me? . . . How can I have joy? . . .

In order to understand what joy is, let us look at what joy is not. Joy is not based on a feeling . . . but it is based on an assurance. You see, feelings change. I feel good when things are going my way . . . When my friends are treating me right . . . and when I get a good grade on a research paper.

I feel good when the guy I secretly admire smiles at me, or when God opens the windows of heaven and pours out a financial blessing for me.

Yet, my feelings could change if I failed my class . . . or if my best friend lied on me . . . or if I lost my lunch money . . . Feelings are subject to change.

In Galatians 5:22, we find that joy is one of the fruits of the Spirit; For it is included in the category with love and peace and goodness and gentleness . . . the Christian virtues that all believers should cultivate.

My friend, joy can only be experienced in the spiritual realm. For joy is not bound by feelings . . . it is not experienced in the flesh . . . but in the spirit.

You see, happiness is based on things in the natural realm. Therefore, happiness thrives on favorable circumstances . . . sunshiney weather . . . clear blue skies . . . easy sailing . . .

Beloved, joy is based on assurance . . . . Well . . . assurance of what? When you believe in and stand on the promises of God, you can have joy, joy, joy.

Joy is an awareness that God is, and that everything Her said He would do, He will do, Joy is experienced in the realization that you are loved . . . Knowing that no matter what trials and tribulations you may face, you are loved in the beloved.

Joy is understood when somehow, you can see God in every situation, and know that He is sovereign . . . He has everything under control.

Joy is the tranquility of releasing every thought and every emotion from the bondage of fear and doubt that all that is within you may bless the Lord. Bless the Lord, Oh my soul . . . And all that is within me, bless His holy name!

Joy is experienced in freedom . . . liberty in Christ . . .

But how can I have this joy? . . . through Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of the Living God.

Beloved Jesus wants to put His joy in your heart . . . But

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