SPORTS

Sam Lacy

Dead horse?

I am aware, friends, that some will say this is "beating a dead horse," a common expression used to describe an issue that already has been thoroughly discussed.

But, the feeling here is that the horse is not dead until he no longer utters an occasional gasp for breath . . . and that "beating a dead horse" is okay if it is in behalf of young athletes, as it is in this case.

John again

Georgetown Coach John Thompson renewed his public opposition to Proposition 42, which he says (and I thoroughly agree) severely hampers young athletes hoping to enter college.

Without going into all the ramifications involved, it is enough to say that Proposition 42 — if put into effect — will place undue hardship on prospective first-year college students.

The proposal will snuff out financial aid to kids who through no fault of their own, fall short of prescribed academic levels (College board scores and SATs) . . . . Not completely their fault because their pre-college guidance fails to prepare them adequately.

Unfair tactic

Thompson is so deeply committed to his opposition to the stringent guidelines that he boycotted three games at the beginning of the 1988-89 season to dramatize his discontent.

The Hoya coach fires both guns at the "42" proposal in making point that it is a gimmick aimed at economically deprived youngsters, one that is totally unfair to kids on either side of the racial tract.

All of which is a strong argument . . . . But, whenever the subject is under discussion, I have a tendency to remind all involved of a solution that has been fostered here for the last 15 years.

Reinstate the rule which bans freshmen from competing in varsity athletics.

This is the "dead horse" I've been beating:

Double purpose

A required first year of residence in college without varsity athletic competition, will serve a double purpose:

(1) It will tell the basketball or football coach, or what have you, that he no longer can take an academically unqualified kid and throw him into the arena simply because he's a star in high school ***on the floor*** or ***on the field***, but ***a bust in the classroom*** . . . . If the coach ***knows*** he must deal with a questionable youngster for a year (while he proves out his grade average) he will be extremely careful about wasting one of his scholarships on him.

(2) The young prospect, on the other hand, has the opportunity to prove that he is not there because he has visions of being another Isaiah Thomas or Magic Johnson . . . . He's there because he hopes to use the free ride to get a quality start on his education.

Boo 42!

Thus the unscrupulous coach has his hands tied when he's tempted to exploit a youngster for the sake of his own job . . . . And the gold-bricking kid is stymied in his plan to play only until he can claim "hardship" and bolt for a possible NBA team.

In essence, the Freshman Rule also will serve to halt the increase in the number of dropouts and illiterates cluttering the drug-ridden areas of our society.

Boo, Forty-two!!

Notable quotable

Hall of Fame catcher Roy Campanella, on why he loved baseball so much:

"It's a little boy's game played by grown men in short pants."

OVERVIEW

INCHES AND DEGREES — It often is said that golf is a game of inches. In Toledo, Ohio, it also is a matter of degrees. In order to avoid a complete freezeout of play, a course there says come out and play, no matter the temperature. Green fees are reduced 10 percent if you play in the 40's; 20 percent in the 30's and 30 percent in the 20's. Business in winter is reported up 16 percent.

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AND SPEAKING OF PRICES — Four hundred dollars (top) to see George Foreman and Gerry Cooney, Monday night?

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OKAY, IF YOU SAY — The Washington (DC) sportscaster introduced Sugar Ray Leonard in his "Decade in Review": "There's no single athlete who, from the early 1980s to the end of 1989, had a greater impact on sports" . . . . over all others. The fellows in the barber shop with raised eyebrows ask if it's the same guy who was put on his pants by an obscure Donny LaLonde, was given a charitable draw with Thomas Hearns, and was declared winner of a fight he lost with Marvin Hagler.

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A LONG WAY FROM HOME — "But loving every minute of it," says Stacey Martin of Largo, Md., after losing a second-round match to Natalia Zvereva of the Soviet Union, in the Queensland Open Tennis Championships at Brisbane, Australia.

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MALIGNED MAGICIAN? — One wonders at the strange mystique of Richard Nixon, who popped up again on CBS-TV offering a comment on the NFL playoffs. Is this not the same man who disgraced the White House, his family and the nation just a few years back?

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SIX WEEKS TO BUST-OUT — Resumption of the Baltimore baseball dream begins March 1 in Sarasota, Fla., where the Orioles open the Grapefruit League schedule visiting the Chicago White Sox. Their first spring "home" game at Miami, hosts the Yankees on March 4.

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WHO GETS THE MOST — Eric Davis of the Cincinnati Reds joined the newly defined baseball game of "Highest Salary," Sunday, when owner Marge Schott announced she has agreed to pay her star centerfielder $9 million-plus for the next three years.

COOL! — Philadelphia 76ers' Charles Barkley, taking to a "chase of the hounds," says, "In a civilized society a personal grooming lapse can result in a mortifying loss of station." The perennial All-Pro basketer was shooting a Right Guard Sport Stick anti-perspirant commercial, which began airing last weekend on national TV.

MLK birthday at races

Morgan State Day at Laurel Monday

Ernest (Chico) Green, one of the most successful Black thoroughbred trainers in North America, is looking for a storybook ending on Monday, Jan. 15, when Laurel Race Course offers a special holiday card on Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday.

Green will saddle one of the favorites, the 7-year-old horse Loyal Pal, winner of more than $400,000, in the $75,000 Harrison E. Johnson Memorial Handicap, Laurel's feature race, honoring the memory of the popular Black trainer, Harrison Johnson, who was killed in a plane crash 4½ years ago while returning from Saratoga.

Green and Johnson were not only long-time colleagues, but friends as well. Johnson's widow Lynette, his mother Janie McLaughlin and his two sons, Keith and Dorian, will be in the winner's circle following the big race to make the trophy presentation along with officials from Morgan State University.

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Once again, Laurel management has scheduled the fifth running of the Harrison E. Johnson Memorial Handicap on Dr. Martin Luther King Day with philanthropy being the big winner. Laurel has designated Monday as Morgan State Day at the Races and will donate $1 from each regular paid admission, plus all admission monies paid by Morgan State guests to the Frank J. DeFrancis Athletic Fund for the benefit of the Morgan State University Foundation.

Ernest "Chico" Green remembers late trainer

The older handicap runners competing in the Harrison E. Johnson Memorial Handicap will garner much of the attention of the day.

Loyal Pal, a veteran campaigner with 95 career starts, is coming off a convincing two length victory in the Chicago Handicap at Hawthorne Park in Illinois, Dec. 30.

To drug world from Campy: a message

By Sam Lacy

I spent last weekend pondering over what to say at Friday (12th) night's Tops In Sports Dinner at Towson (Md.) Center. Then I learned that Roy Campanella had just been taken to Northridge (Calif.) Medical Center.

The old Dodger catcher had suffered a respiratory disorder and his doctors felt it would be best for him to be hospitalized.

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The news made me think immediately how much he could have added to this 37th annual baseball banquet, at which Frank Robinson, Joe Morgan, Kevin Mitchell, Cal Ripken, Jr., Jim Palmer, etc., were to be honored.

Roy Campanella's mere presence could deliver a message more powerful than all of the honorees combined.

Even if he spoke not a word.

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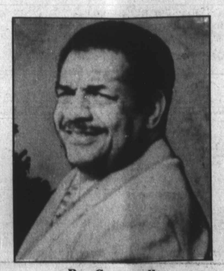
For here would be a man who battled adversity throughout his adult life and defied it, simply refused to let it defeat him.

January, a month that marked the anniversary of the horrible 1957 auto accident that crushed his limbs and left him paralyzed from shoulders down, is to be forever remembered as the final blow in a long series of disappointments for the chubby catcher of the old Dodger dynasty.

A series made up mainly of waiting, waiting for opportunities he deserved; a series that began 50 years ago right here in Baltimore.

He waited behind two regular catchers — Mack Eggleston and Eggie Clark — although the Elite Giants played him in the outfield.



Roy Campanella
33-year imprisonment

In the (Brooklyn) Dodger organization in the 40's, his chance came only after (a) first-string catcher Bruce Edwards tore his right (throwing) shoulder diving in a pool at spring camp in Santo Domingo, (b) second-string catcher Gil Hodges was moved to first base, and (c) after third-stringer Bobby Bragan defected in protest against playing with Jackie Robinson.

Finally given the green light, Roy rocked the baseball world by winning National League MVP recognition three times in five years, 1951-53-55.

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But adversity struck again: the accident on an icy road leading to his Glen Cove (LI) home, ***only two years*** after his third MVP honor.

And then back to waiting — 12 years of annual disappointments before being voted to the Hall of Fame.

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So now, imprisoned in a wheelchair for 33 years Roy Campanella has had to endure frustration, but never resignation. A lesser man would have wrestled both, and lost.

Through three decades of futility, Roy Campanella never felt the need for excessive alcohol to drown his physical uselessness, never had the urge to resort to crack cocaine, PCP or whatever, to relieve his mental trauma.

That would be his message to today's sick society.

SPORTSCENE

By Fred Lindsey

TSU Falters On The Road, But Kurt Keeps Klicking

The Tigers of Towson State have lost five of their last six games, since winning the Baltimore Beltway Classic. TSU is 0-3 on the West Coast swing losing to Washington, New Mexico and Pepperdine and bringing their record to 6-6.

However, Kurk Lee, who recently scored his 1000th point and is 10th on the all-time TSU scoring list in less than a year and-a-half, is the leading scorer in the ECC with a 26 per game average.

Towson begins its conference play Saturday at Rider College.

Baltimore Oldtimers Play

On January 20th, the Baltimore Oldtimers will make up their postponed doubleheader of a few weeks ago when they host the Akron team at Coppin State in the featured game at 7:00.

The Oldtimers, who are currently 5-0, are preparing to have a good, old fashion party that night complete with a "disco" and all the beer you can drink.

While the game is free, the dance and the beer drinking are priced at $12.00 and tickets can be purchased the door.

Harrisburg, (PA) will play Cleveland in the opening game of the doubleheader.

For more information, contact George Pinchback at 779-0100 or at 444-0299.

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