

The Sports Parade

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MAKES ROSTER

LOS ANGELES - (NPI)--The singing wind of the Chicago Bears professional football team, Gale Sayers, has notched a spot on the Western All-Star contingent for the Pro Bowl game to be held Jan. 21 against an Eastern All-Star group yet to be announced. As usual, Gale shows up in the halfback spot on the offensive team.

BENEFIT WINNER

GARDEN CITY, L.I. - (NPI)--Arthur Ashe of Richmond was the winner of the Long Island Master tennis tournament at the Nassau Community College last week. The tourney, played under the VASSS scoring system, was in benefit of the school's John F. Kennedy Memorial Scholarship fund.

STARTS RIGHT

MONROE, La. - (NPI)--World record holder Ralph Boston began the indoor meet of the pre-Olympic track-and-field season on the right foot last week, when he took the long jump with a 25-2 effort. He failed to make it a complete sweep, in the inaugural Northeast Boosters club meet, when he finished second in the 60-yard high hurdles behind Harvey Nairn of Southern University.

PREDICTS FLOP

LOS ANGELES - (NPI)--The proposed boycott of the 1968 Olympic games by Negro athletes is being seen by Lew Alcindor, UCLA's star cager, as a "flop." As yet, Lew has not made up his mind whether he was to be among the ranks of the boycotters.

ANOTHER REPRIEVE

NEW ORLEANS - (NPI)--Cassius (Muhammad Ali) Clay was on a winning splurge last week, when he won two delays in one week in filing briefs for his appeal of a conviction for refusing to be drafted. The fighter, free on \$5,000 bond, is fighting against the sentence of five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

TRIPLE-THREAT

CHEROKEE, Iowa - (NPI)--Besides being a baseball pitcher of some note, Jim (Mudcat) Grant, the new hurler for the Los Angeles Dodgers, has turned out to be a singer, speaker, and a night club entertainer. His new-found off-season career was launched last week at a banquet given for a local junior high school squad.

KLANSMEN TERRORISM OF RELIGIOUS FORCE

JACKSON, Miss. - (NPI)--Ku Klux Klan terrorists are concentrating their attacks on the one force which stands in judgment of their misdeeds--religion.

Pretending to defend Christianity, they are ironically aiming their fury at religious leaders of all faiths and races. The KKK's specialty appears to be bombings.

The terrorism is said to be an upshot of the conviction of seven Kluxers on charges of conspiracy in the 1964 slaying of three civil rights workers.

Since then, Rabbi Perry E. Nussbaum's house, along with his synagogue, Beth Temple Israel, has been bombed. Now, he and his family must live under the constant protection of police or the FBI.

Despite a \$50,000 reward, posted by city officials and businessmen, the bombers still haven't been caught.

Another clergyman who has been a victim of Klan terror is the Rev. Allen J. Johnson, a Laurel Negro resident. The White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, implicated in the civil rights slayings, have their headquarters in that city.

A BLAST also has damaged the home of Robert B. Kochtitzky, a white Methodist lay leader of Jackson, who helped organize the Committee of Concern. His group has raised funds to help rebuild 50 Negro churches bombed

GRAMBLING ALL-STAR

MOBILE, Ala. - (NPI)--Robert Atkins, a 215-pound split end and free safely from Grambling College who inspires by example, has been invited to play in the 19th annual Senior Bowl All-Star game Jan. 6.

Outstanding college seniors from throughout the nation will cavort in the nationally televised contest.

Atkins, who stands 6-4, is a rangy pass catcher on offense and a bruising defensive back with cat-like reflexes. He was a star on the Grambling squad that posted a 9-1 record in winning its third straight Southwestern Athletic Conference title.

His sensitive hands, quick burst of speed and great balance made him an exceptional deep threat as a receiver, but Coach Eddie Robinson points out that Atkins was such a formidable obstacle on defense that he led the Tigers in interceptions with nine.

Atkins' height poses a formidable obstacle and he employs it along with speed to impair the vision of receivers.

The Atlanta (Ga.) native has been labeled the top item in Grambling's 1967 showcase of professional prospects, and is expected to be a No. 1 choice in the January AFL-NFL football draft.

"KEEP NEVADA CLEAN"



DICK WALPOLE (left), North Las Vegas Supt. of Parks, and Ronnie McMichael (center) of the NLV Recreation Dept., join with R. O. Forson, Vice-Chairman of the Nevada Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, in endorsing the "Keep Nevada Clean" campaign. Litter bags for that purpose may be picked up at the North Las Vegas Recreation Department. Dick Walpole Photo

IF YOU'RE DRINKING

DON'T DRIVE

during 1964-65.

The Klansmen had special reason to bomb the home of the Rev. Delmar Dennis, 27-year-old former member of their group and a Methodist minister. He testified against them at the conspiracy trial.

Rev. Dennis was asleep when his window was shattered next to his bed. He was uninjured by the load of buckshot fired into his home.

The harried minister said he has slept with a gun by his bed every night since he moved to the small community of Walnut Grove, from Meridian, where the trial was held.

The men of the cloth were aware that "the wages of sin is death." They were just hoping that it wouldn't have to be their deaths.

Arkansas AM&N Placed On Year's Probation

By COLLIE J. NICHOLSON

GRAMBLING, La. - (NPI)--Arkansas AM&N was placed on probation for one year and fined \$300 by the Southwestern Athletic conference during the annual mid-winter meeting on the campus of Grambling College.

The fine was imposed for an incident at Alcorn A&M where Coach Van Johnson pulled his football team off the field in a SWAC game. Arkansas AM&N will not be eligible to compete for league championships in any sport for one calendar year.

Alcorn and Jackson State also received stiff fines. Both were censored for the public conduct of college officials in a game between the two schools.

The conference also went on record to write strong letters to the presidents of the schools involved concerning the conduct of representatives at athletic events.

Grambling (9-1), a consensus choice for 1968, was awarded the 1967 football championship and Coach Eddie Robinson was named "SWAC Coach-of-the-Year."

Wildcats Class Of SIAC

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. - (NPI)--The Bethune-Cookman College Wildcats football team placed eight of its members, including star pass-catching twins--Samuel and Daniel Cooper, Plant City--on the SIAC All-Conference Team.

Other Wildcats selected in a vote of conference coaches were Thomas Lee, 245 pounds, offensive tackle, Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Henry Still, 270, defensive tackle, Columbus, Ga.

Named to the second team on offense was Anthony Grisby, 205, fullback, from Delray; and on the second defense team, Wilbur Harrison, 220, end, Atlanta; Willie Brown, 250, tackle, Boynton Beach; and Alvin Wyatt, 180, free safety, Jacksonville.

Samuel Cooper caught 20 passes for 217 yards and six touchdowns, while brother Daniel grabbed 18 for 313 and three touchdowns during regular season play. Fullback Grisby carried the ball 67 times for 485 yards.

The Wildcats finished third in the conference with a 5-2 record. The defensive unit was number one in the nation among small colleges twice during regular season contest.

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