

Can We Get a Little Cable...Please?

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To my dismay this weekend I turned on the tube to watch the usual array of National Football League games and who did they have playing?

The Falcons and the Buccaneers.

That's right folks.

A battle where can't meets won't, a battle of teams that had a combined 3-10 record going in to this matchup.

Why, then I ask, is this game being televised?

Da da da... da da da.

I know that the region we live in is either considered the Atlanta or the Washington market, but that should only be used when the game is going to be beneficial to the fans.

My roommate and I sport two televisions for the sole purpose of watching two games simultaneously. With sub par pairings like the Falcons and Bucs playing, it would almost tempt us to put both televisions on the same game.

Primetime, Primetime.

Sad to say, but this is not the first time a weak game has been shown in lieu of a better match-up because of regional coverage.

It should be done away with, if for no other reason, campus dwellers cannot get ESPN and therefore can't get in-depth coverage of what we miss due to this regional garbage.

What I would give to hear the

sounds of the Sunday Reporters arguing with their irritating northern accents. Or the theme to SportsCenter, the best show on television every year. And even

makes me want to go home every weekend just to watch television.

The coverage from my dorm room stinks.

I try watching our imitation

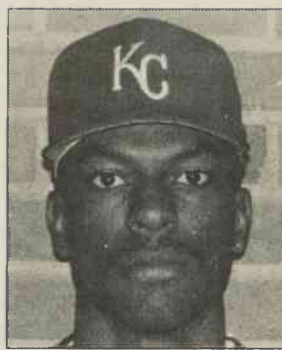
detrimental to my health, seeing as though sports to me is like the stock market. I must have up-to-date information all the time to stay ahead of the competition.

Speaking of Sports

the crew of NFL Gameday as they skillfully predict games.

Just the thought of Robin Roberts talking to Dick Schaap about the games or Chris Berman and Tom

Jackson going back and forth



version of SportsCenter on Sunday nights, the George Michael Sports Machine. But it is in no way the same.

This Sunday he didn't even tell the victor in one of the games that he highlighted.

Reporting like that can be

Anything short of this would make for an uninformed individual who might as well be watching soccer than talking football.

Someone who would, let's say, pick the Bucs to make the playoffs.

BSM

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Members of a campus atheist group discovered that choir members were praying and testifying prior to all of the rehearsals. Because the organization received money from the University, the atheist members tried to say that the gospel choir was a religious, and not a cultural group, and should not receive any University funds.

Watson, who was head of the BSM at that time, told choir members to stop the praying and testifying during rehearsals.

"I told them that it was not relevant to the organization," Watson recalled. "The choir was acting like they were the BSM. They had become very arrogant."

The only way to resolve the problem was to restructure.

For the first time since the organization was founded in 1967, a BSM leader dared to change the original structure, which was modeled after the Black Panther Party.

"I was trying to keep us from dividing among ourselves," said



Watson, who replaced the term chairman with president. This gave the head of the BSM more power and the central committee less. The central committee is the BSM's governing board, and the number of the members varies with each president. Central Committee members come from the various sub-groups.

Wallace said the term chairman made it seem as if the organization was operating as a united front and that no one person made the decision.

"That philosophy was no longer in existence here," said Watson, referring to when she took office. "People were taking words for granted."

But while Watson was

restructuring the way the BSM would run and the amount of power the sub-groups would have, choir members were going door to door trying to get BSM members to sign a petition for Watson's impeachment.

The measure failed before it got anywhere, Watson said.

Both Lucas and Watson say it is these types of problems they hope the organization and its leaders will learn from and avoid in the future.

"It's a matter of knowing what your role is," Watson said. "If you are president of the BSM you do not have the luxury of playing politics. BSM leaders have to deal with real-live human issues and struggles."

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