

# SPORTS



CELTICS-SEATTLE SUPERSONICS - Celtics' 13-yr. veteran Tom "Snatch" Sanders (2nd L) is honored at halftime ceremonies. Boston Garden (1/19) Mrs. Louthel Sanders (l), his mother, Mrs. Kaaren Sanders (R) his wife, and Miss Simone Sanders (2nd, R). The Celtics won game, 124-104.

## Questions Asked On Dennis And Rureaud

Many questions were asked as to why Steve Dennis and Rureaud were not among those named to the Courier All-America. All the BSR can say is that those people obviously didn't have enough space to list the feats of these two terrorists. BSR also questioned the fact that superspion Gary Johnson, "the best lineman I've ever coached!"

Now that includes such greats as Junious "Buck" Buchanan and Richard Harris, to name a few, and a host of others, we wonder.

Further kudos are in order for Steve Dennis who not only gained a reputation for leading others errant, and not so errant passes but as a scholar. Steve garnered the NCAA Post-Graduate scholarship that goes to those guys who were as good in the classroom as on the field. Over a four year period, Dennis maintained an accumulative average of 3.2 on a four-point scale. He's the second SWAC Athlete to do so—the first was Alden Rocie, now a defensive end with the Green Bay Packers.

The next Gramblingite in line for praise is reserve fullback Floyd Harvey who lost his job to tough 1000-yarder Tureaud. Undaunted, Harvey kept the faith, hit the books and was awarded the Football Foundation Award as Scholar-Athlete. Floyd maintained a 3.2 average over his four year stay.

\*\*\*\*\* Here's a bit of history. Over the past 12 pro drafts, 10 first-rounders are from Black schools—here they are: 1963-Buck Mucunan (Grambling-Kansas City); 1968 Claude

Humphrey (Tennessee State-Atlanta) and Eldridge Dickey (Tennessee State-Oakland); 1969-Jim Marsalis (Tennessee State-Kansas City); 1970-Raymond Chester (Morgan State-Oakland); 1970-Ken Burrough (Texas Southern-New Orleans); 1971-Frank Lewis (Grambling-Pittsburgh) and Richard Harris (Grambling-Philadelphia); 1971-Isian Robertson (Southern-Los Angeles); 1972-Jerome Barkum (Jackson State-New York Jets).

Here's a twist. These guys are among those who went for peanuts: Otis Taylor, Frank Pitts; Richard Jackson, Richard Carter, Alvin Haymond, Leroy Kelly, Essex Johnson, Nemian Wilson, Mel Blount, Ken Ellis, Sam Holden, Willie Ellison, Et Al. We don't think it's necessary to name their teams.

This isn't just for the sake of patting ourselves on the back but we think that Clark W.D.ell has done one heck of a job of editing Black Collegiate

## Courier Names 3 All-Americans

Coaches, Pro Scouts and members of the press banded together recently and came up with a list of players that were, by consensus, the best of what Black Colleges around the nation had to offer in 1972. Three of these players were from Grambling College and

gained notoriety as they played before a weekly audience that ran into the millions. At the team's quarterback position was Matthew Reed. The 6-4, 225-lb. signal caller, in four seasons at Grambling, amassed more scores delivering the spheroid personally.

Walker Bailey was named to a linebacker spot and tough go-getter Ezri Bibbs landed a defensive end position on the mythical squad.

The tip the scales at 6-3, 220-lbs. m. 6-4, 225-lbs., respectively.

Basketball Highlights. Hope you enjoy his efforts. This week: Coney State vs. Westchester.

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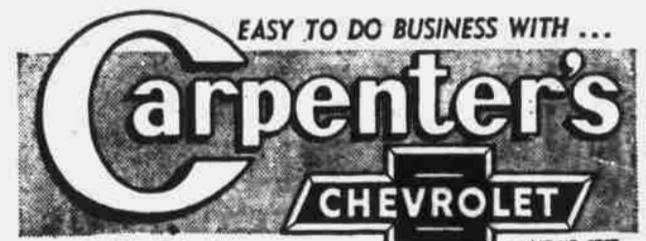
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MEXICO CITY—Charlie Sifford of the United States blasts his way out of a sand trap at Churubusco Golf Club in Mexico City 1-27 in third round of

the Raleigh Cup tournament. Sifford did a level par 72, eight strokes worse than Friday's round. Sifford has aggregate

207, followed by Spain's Angel Gallardo, with 208. Tournament ends 1-28

## Sports Capsule

As the NFL pro-football draft approached many teams went to the trade in hopes of improving their rosters. Most active were the Chicago Bears who obtained troubled running back Carl Garrett from the New England Patriots for the first round draft choice they received earlier in a trade with the Detroit Lions for tight and Craig Cotton. Meanwhile the Kansas City Chiefs picked up running back Willie Ellison and quarterback Pete Beathard from the Los Angeles Rams for linebacker Bob Stein and two draft choices and traded defensive end Aaron Brown to the Green Bay Packers for defensive tackle Francis Peay.

The draft itself appears to have pleased the NFL coaches who have called these college seniors "a bumper crop" but a few college standouts were dissatisfied with being passed over for lesser known players. Running back Chuck Foreman of the University of Miami said "I was shocked I was around that long," when he learned that he had been picked 12th in the first round following two other running backs, Oils Armstrong of Purdue and Sam "Bam" Cunningham of the University of Southern California. This (Continued on 8A)

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"Bubba" Smith of the Baltimore Colts will be honored in a special salute by the citizens of Baltimore on Wednesday, March 7th.

The testimonial, which will be held at Martin's West, is being sponsored by the Druid Hill Y.M.C.A. Serving as chairman of the salute to one of the city's outstanding athletic citizens are the Honorable Thomas J.D. 'Alesandro, III, the former mayor of the city; and Earl C. Banks, head football coach at Morgan State College. Governor Marvin Mandel and Mayor William D. Schaefer are honorary chairmen of the affair.

According to Banks, the entire day will be set aside to pay homage to one of the all-time Baltimore Colts and designated as Charles 'Bubba' Smith Day. Proceeds from this affair will benefit the youth of the Druid Hill Branch of the Y.M.C.A. (Bubba's favorite charity).

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