

## Eagles debut two new quarterbacks

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down as well as rushing for 54 yards and two scores. He also played guard on the Eagles' basketball team that advanced to the NCAA Division II playoffs.

Central's defense dominated

the scrimmage, however, allowing the offense 176 yards as the Maroon rolled to a 28-7 win at O'Kelly-Riddick Stadium recently. The Gray managed just 26 yards rushing on 33 attempts. Eagles runners were tackled behind the line 13 times for 69

yards in losses. Defensive back Trei Oliver, who recorded seven tackles, three passes defended and a sack, returned an interception 42 yards for a touchdown to give the Maroon an 18-0 lead. Bell's backup, Howard transfer

Antonjo King, completed 5 of 12 passes for 20 yards and the Oliver interception in addition to leading all rushers with 34 yards on four carries. He also threw an 8-yard scoring pass to Montwaine Lake.

## Robinson story on display at Smithsonian

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April 15, 1947, Robinson went on Brooklyn's Ebbets Field and smashed the whites-only ban that had ruled baseball for generations.

Robinson's integration of America's pastime changed the country. It preceded the integration of the military by one year and the integration of public schools by seven years.

"Few stories are as inspiring as the life of Jackie Robinson," said Spencer Crew, director of the National Museum of American History.

The museum's exhibit, "Jackie Robinson and the Integration of Major League Baseball," shows baseballs autographed by Robinson, baseball cards and a life-size cardboard cutout of Robinson in uniform.

Visitors can also see a program

from the 1952 World Series between Robinson's Brooklyn Dodgers and the New York Yankees, a bat autographed by Robinson and pictures that trace his history from UCLA track star to U.S. serviceman to his days on the baseball diamond.

Nearly all of the items were collected over the years in the museum's American sports, leisure and recreation collection, which holds more than 100,000 artifacts.

The only loaned item was Robinson's baseball jersey, emblazoned with the familiar script, "Dodgers," in blue and his number, 42. Museum officials said they hoped the jersey would be donated permanently to the showcase, which is on display indefinitely.

The collection stirred memories for some, such as Ernest

Burke, an infielder with the Negro League's Baltimore Elite Giants from 1946 to 1948. They weren't necessarily pleasant ones.

Burke wept briefly, recalling the abuse Robinson endured during an exhibition game in Baltimore.

"The way they called him nigger," Burke said, dabbing his eyes with a napkin. "Anywhere else, I almost could understand, but to do that to him in my hometown."

A tennis instructor living in Baltimore, Burke said happy remembrances of Robinson far outnumber the sad ones. Burke said when he heard Robinson had been selected to integrate baseball, he knew "they had the right man."

"We were overwhelmed. He had the education and the tal-

ent. We felt so good. It's like we were floating on air," Burke said, with arms outstretched.

## Fight not likely, De La Hoya says

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left hook that caught him off-balance.

De La Hoya said he would be willing to give Whitaker a rematch.

"I'd love to fight him again," De La Hoya said. "I'd dominate him the next time because I know his style now."

Said Whitaker, who lost for just the second time in his 43 fights: "If De La Hoya is the fighter he thinks he is, we should have a rematch right away. That was the Pernell Whitaker of old."

Prospects for another De La Hoya-Whitaker bout appear dim, however, because De La Hoya's promoter, Bob Arum, is against it.

"Once is enough," said Arum, who was critical of Whitaker's evasive style. "Just to do a rematch where we would lose half our money is not smart business. The Mexican-American fans don't like that kind of fight. That's not fighting, that's just playing around and looking for angles."

"I want to see Oscar fight people like (Hector) Camacho, (Felix) Trinidad, (Terry) Norris, real fighters who fight."

Whitaker's promoter, Dino Duva, said they would appeal to the WBC to order a rematch.

Although Arum left a small crack in the door, saying a rematch might be possible if

Whitaker's people would guarantee a large enough purse for De La Hoya.

Arum already is working on a fight for June in San Antonio, where De La Hoya would defend his new 147-pound title, his fourth in as many weight classes.

"Then maybe Camacho," Arum said. "He has the biggest mouth in boxing, so he would get everybody fired up for the fight."

Whitaker, meanwhile, might try to get a rematch against Julio Cesar Chavez. He and Chavez fought to a controversial draw in 1993, with many ringside observers, including De La Hoya, believing Whitaker clearly won.

## Woods captures nation's fancy

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employees paused for a silent celebration.

"We were just joking around about how it's going to be around here," Lee said, grinning broadly.

Still, there was some trepidation about how a new era in golf will be received at a place like Augusta National, which treasures its traditions so dearly.

"I don't think the atmosphere is going to be the same around here, I really don't," he said. "We won't know the story until next week, when all the guests and fans are gone and all the regular members are back."

But this was a moment for blacks to celebrate. In the employee's break room, everyone was talking about Tiger. Along the course, workers assigned to pick up trash paused for a moment when Woods went by. A young girl doling out drinks in the media center stopped in her tracks

when Woods popped up on the television screen above her.

"Wait a second. There's my husband," she joked.

Woods has started a foundation to promote minority golf, but he doesn't go out of his way to be a racial pioneer.

"That's very peculiar to me," Lee said. "He's not concerned with all that. He's just concerned with being a golfer. But for everybody else, that's what we're looking at."

The major battles in the struggle for racial equality on the golf course were fought by men like Elder, who was on hand Sunday to follow Woods around the course. Elder was amazed that a mere 22 years after the first black played Augusta National, there was now a black man wearing the green jacket of a champion.

"This is going to bring in a nice, fresh atmosphere," Elder said, noting the breezy conditions on the final Sunday. "I'm not saying it was a bad atmos-

phere before, but it's going to be better now."

When Elder first played in the Masters, he went out of his way to speak with as many black workers as possible. They were thrilled to see a black man actually playing the course rather than raking out the traps.

There was the same feeling when Woods made his way around the course Sunday for a dominating victory.

"It's a good thing to see a black man in a position like that," said 17-year-old Earnest Gaines, who patrolled the grounds in a yellow jumpsuit and a cap that said "Litter" above the bill. "When you see people of my race, you tend to think of violence."

"Then you look at him," he said, motioning out to Woods, "and you see a guy who's living out his dream. It shows that not all of us are out there shooting up people and drinking liquor."

## Iverson odds-on for rookie honor

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makers - "knuckleheads," as they were called by veterans like Karl Malone. Charles Barkley once commented this season that the only award Iverson deserved was one for trash-talking.

With the gathering of the league's 50 greatest players providing the backdrop, the league had to face the reality that life without Jordan was fast approaching. What would become of the league? Could knuckleheads like Iverson be trusted to carry the torch?

And then Iverson had a superb performance in the rookie game, winning MVP honors despite boos from the Cleveland crowd.

Booted in February, Iverson

received a standing ovation when the buzzer sounded Saturday and his 50 points

were on the scoreboard. They cheered loudly when his final points went in.

## Bulls look good to Davis

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was among the CIAA leaders in fewest points and yards allowed. The cupboard isn't bare, but the Bulls need major restocking.

"When you lose 10 starters, you are almost wiped out," Davis said.

Smith is in need of quality backups on both sides of the ball, something Davis says will be addressed with a late recruiting push. The Bulls are dangerously thin on both lines going into fall drills, with seven offensive linemen suiting up for spring ball.

"We've got some upgrading to do," Davis said. "It's like being in the forest and you can't see for all the trees around you. The people we have in place aren't bad, but we need depth, especially on both lines. When you get your linemen in, then you can add to other positions."

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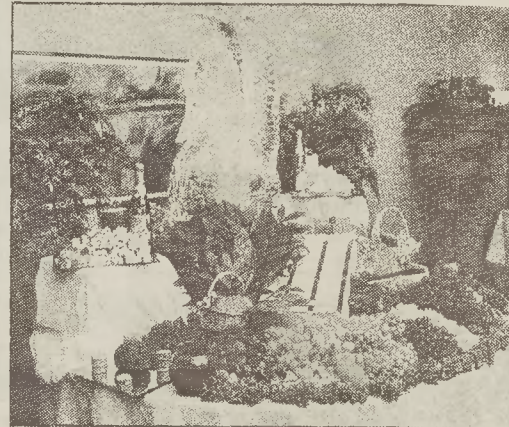
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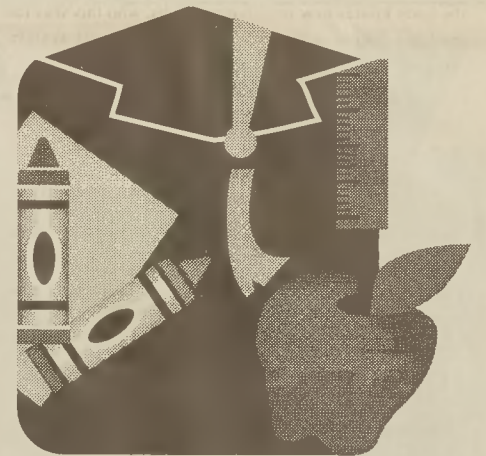
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