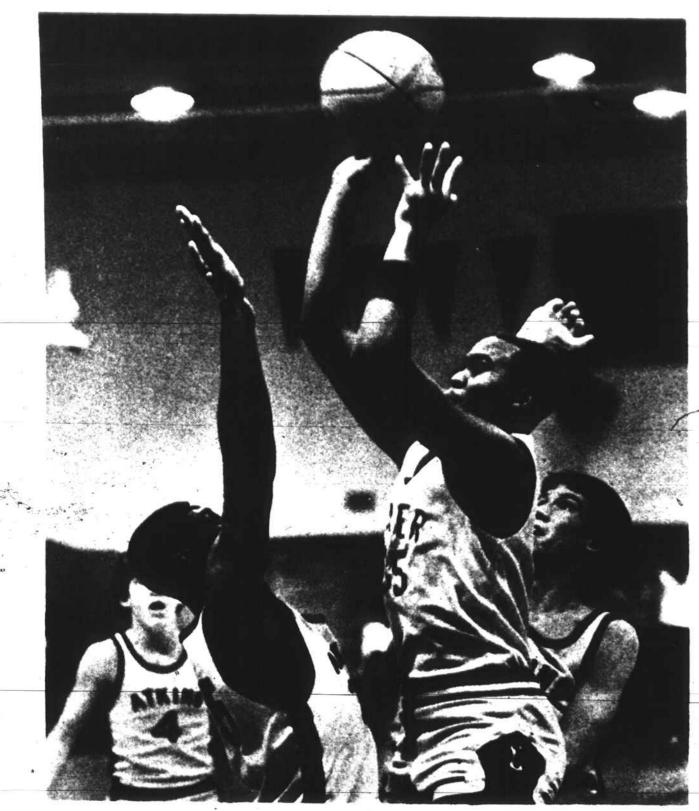
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### **The Atkins-Carver Classic**

Carver High School's Fernando Horn, a member of the league's strongest frontline, pumps in two points against Atkins. With the long-standing Carver-Atkins rivalry on the way out because of the school reorganization, Carver got last licks, winning 64-47 (photo by James Parker).

# **Former Raider Brown** inducted into pro hall

**USFL** From Page B3

"The USFL is giving all the money to the kids from the arger institutions," says Jackson State Coach W.C. Gorden. "They are not coming after the kids from the black schools like I had anticipated. I thought it would be like the old AFL vs. the NFL, where the kids from the smaller schools would be able to come in and make good money right away. But what you're finding out on most teams is that five or six guys are making big money and the rest of the kids are making peanuts."

Since the USFL begins its season in February and plays through midsummer, its draftees and free agents must interrupt their college studies in January. Is it worth it for the players to make such a move?

"Only if the kid can get some of his money guaranteed," says South Carolina State Coach Bill Davis. "And I'm not talking about \$25,000, either. If a kid can go in and get a substantial about of money guaranteed, whether he makes the club or not, then he should take the gamble. Otherwise, I don't think they should go."

Unfortunately, few players heed that advice. The lure of a professional football career is too great for them to turn down. But what many are finding is that all that glitters is not gold.

### **Black sports questions**

Which baseball player has been named most valuable player in both leagues?

Frank Robinson's intelligent, aggressive play as a slugging outfielder with the Cincinnati Reds, Baltimore Orioles and Los Angeles Dodgers earned him the reputation of being one of the best all around players in recent history. He also has managed the winter leagues in Puerto Rico with considerable success, and broke baseball's color line when he was named in October, 1974, as the new manager of the Cleveland Indians, the first black in the history of the major league sport.

## PEPSI PREP ATHLI **OF THE WEEK**



Basketball Player Ronnie Christian of Parkland Senior High School has been selected the Pepsi Prep Athlete of the Week. The Pepsi Cola Bottiing Company of Winston-Salem is pleased to salute Christian, who has been outstanding all season... especially in recent games. Christian scored 26 points Tuesday night in a victory over Greensboro Dudley.

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For A Limited Time

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TAMPA, Fla. -- It hardly seemed possible, but a player cut by the Houston Oilers during training camp in 1963 is among the newest members selected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Willie Brown, a former Oakland Raider defensive back rejected earlier by · Houston, was elected in his first year of eligibility following the mandatory fiveyear waiting period, along with three other pro football luminaries.

The new members -- Brown, former Washington Redskin Charley Taylor, pro football's all-time leading receiver; Mike McCormack, an offensive tackle during the heyday of the Cleveland Browns, and Arnie Weinmeister, a standout lineman with both the New York Yankees and New York Giants -- will be enshrined July 28 at Canton, Ohio, in ceremonies

preceding the annual Hall of Fame game between Seattle and Tampa Bay.

After he was cut by Houston, Brown hooked on as a free-agent cornerback with the Denver Broncos of the American Football League, where he became a starter as a rookie.

Brown, 43, who played his college ball at Grambling, intercepted 54 passes and returned them for 472 yards and two touchdowns in 15 pro seasons.

His biggest interception was in Super Bowl XI in 1977, where he rambled 75 yards for a touchdown that clinched Oakland's 32-14 victory over-Minnesota. Brown played in two Super Bowls, five AFL All-Star games and four AFC-NFC Pro Bowl games.

The ex-Southwestern Athletic Conference star has been Oakland's backfield coach since his retirement in 1978. Brown was inducted into the Grambl-

ing Hall of Fame last fall.



cial planners undoubtedly are happy, too. But one person who is not happy Leonard is returning is former boxing champ Rocky Graziano. "He shouldn't fight," said Graziano, who retired from the ring while he was still healthy and never looked back. "I don't think me needs the money. Young guys, athletes, want to be known. Even though he's on TV, he wants to become a big man again.

"He misses the action and the recognition. He misses the money, too, but it's got to be more than that. If I went into the ring with him, the first thing I'd do is go after his right eye. When you're a fighter, you look to knock a guy out. You look to kill him. It ain't worth it."...

There's been rough going recently on the investigative-reporting circuit for CBS' Brent Musburger and Jimmy "The Greek" Snyder. Musburger is still fielding flak for his "hot" report of a three-team trade involving New Orleans Saints running back George Rogers, Houston Oilers back Earl Campbell and the Eagles' prospective No. 1 draft choice. The latest critic of that story is Saints Coach Bum Phillips. "It don't take much to get me mad," Phillips said. "But it does take something like that -- something stupid. I don't get mad at something intelligent, but I do get mad at stupidity."

solutely" coach the USFL's New Jersey Generals next season.

Schnellenberger denied the story. But Ted Shaker, executive producer of "The NFL Today," said he wasn't upset. "I don't consider him (Snyder) a reporter, per se, but a personality," Shaker said .... Atlanta Braves Madager Joe Torre has set weight goals for three of his players and said there might be financial penalties for failure to comply. Torre asked pitchers Terry Forster and Len Barker and first baseman Chris Chambliss to report to spring training Feb. 17 at 215 pounds. He said that his request was not an order at this point, but that it might become one if the players do not comply. "You don't want it to come to taking money away from them, but that's about it," Torre said. "But you don't start by threatening -- you impress upon them the importance of being in condition."

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Two other Braves, Bob Horner and Bob Watson,, have incentive weightbonus clauses in their contracts. Instead of losing money for failure to lose weight. they get bonuses for being in shape ....

Los Angeles Lakers guard Magic Johnson, who two and a half years ago signed a 25-year, \$25 million contract on how unhappy he is with the higher annual salaries of Moses Malone, Larry Birdf1 and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar: "I have to be paid what the other top players are being paid. If I'm paid like they are, I'll be happy and everything will be fine. I don't want to renegotiate now; all I want to do is win the championship. But I do want to be paid what I think I deserve."



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Musburger has since said he thinks he had better "retrace some of my information." Snyder, meanwhile, hasn't had much better response to his report that University of Miami football Coach Howard Schnellenberger would "ab-

