

# SPORTS Deal

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**THE \$1.98 RAP SESSION.....**  
Never agree with a speaker or writer; agree with his facts and his reasoning.

Veteran first baseman Willie Stargell of the Pittsburgh Pirates may have started something new in the way of contract negotiating. He's seeking a lifetime contract when his current pact expires at the conclusion of the 1982 National League season. Stargell is 39. ....Lou Brock, in my opinion, is an instant hit as a commentator with ABC Sports. He can be heard Monday nights.

Last week we told you that the Holmes-Ali fight would be delayed for an indefinite period...Now it looks like it may not be held at all...It seems that one of the proposed promoters has failed to come up with his half of the guarantee money...Time must be getting tough all over! In the meantime, Holmes will fight some cat named Trevor Berbick in Montreal a week from Friday night.

The eagerly awaited Sugar Ray Leonard-Roberto Duran fight is going to face a boycott in St. Louis if veteran promoter Roscoe McCrary has his way. McCrary lost the closed television rights to another promoter and he immediately cried "foul play!" He wasted little time in putting together a plan to stop the fight from being showing in his area....

Did you know that the New York Yankees have won the World Series 22 times? They're heavily favored to make it 23 this fall. The University of Kentucky sold the beds and other furnishings of its basketball players at a public auction last week. The move was prompted when the NCAA felt the Wildcat athletes' quarters were "too fancy."

There have been only two blacks among the 23 major league players who have hit safely in 30 or more consecutive baseball contests. Ron LeFlore of Montreal put together a string of 30 games in which he hit safely while playing for the Detroit Tigers and Willie Davis, former Los Angeles Dodger star, got at least one hit in 31 straight contests before being horsecollared back in 1969.

More than 12 million votes were cast in each of the last three baseball seasons, singling out performers for the annual all-star game. Voting this year may set a modern major league record.

Wonder why Bowie Kuhn didn't suspend Dave Kingman when he doused a reporter with a bucket full of water? Baseball is still one of the best buys in America if you consider the average ticket sells to a big league game is a mere \$4.50.

Houston, which loaded up with expensive free agents last winter, has attracted 176,000 more fans to its ballpark this year than last. I find it interesting the way baseball's personnel managers define a trade. When the California Angels traded Al Cowen to Detroit for Josh Thompson, GM Buzzie Bavasi offered: "When we traded for Cowens there was a question of whether Joe Rudi and Dan Ford could come back from injuries." I find that difficult to believe.

Don't be too surprised if the Minnesota Twins purchase pitcher Mike Marshall's two-year contract and order him to pack up and get out! The cost is a staggering \$550 thousand big ones.

Only 11 perfect games have been pitched in major league history. The American League surpassed the 5 million mark milestone in paid attendance over the Memorial Day weekend.

Willie Davis, once heralded as the fastest man in baseball, has been named manager of the Veracruz Eagles. He will also continue as their outfielder.

George Gervin of San Antonio has joined Elvin Hayes of Washington in the "trade me or else" chorus line. Hayes indicates willingness to play in Texas, San Antonio, Houston or Dallas....The last time I checked there were 10 PGA golfers who had won \$100 thousand or more this year.

How time flies? It seems like yesterday when Eddie McGirt came to town from Camden, S.C. and turned the Johnson C. Smith University football program around. Now McGirt, who was named president of the CIAA recently, is entertaining serious thoughts of retirement.

If you listen to some of my buddies, (i.e., Jim Fulson, Oren McCullough, Romeo Alexander, Adam Manigo or Willie Preyer) the best way to spend Saturday night is to attend the Carolina Chargers football games at Memorial Stadium. They agree that its "excellent entertainment."

Would you believe that when Robert Morris takes a brief vacation to the Atlanta area and John Harris makes some excuses about his back aching, my golf game suddenly swings upward. Could it be they're detrimental to my game?



Frank Freeman  
...Offensive tackle



Cal Gill  
...Star quarterback



Lauren Parrott  
...Defensive end

## Bulls Elect Tri-Captain

Special To The Post  
Golden Bull football tri-captains Cal Gill, Frank Freeman and Lauren Parrott have rolled up their sleeves and have gone to work since their election last spring by vote of their peers.

Parrott, a steady defensive end from Darlington, S.C., is noted as the enforcer of the trio.

"Lauren is a hard working, no nonsense man," explained assistant coach Otis Stroud. "He'll be on your back if you start missing sessions in the weight room or think of slacking off in practice." The weight training program received a major boost as the coaching staff relocated into offices behind Brayboy Gym. A 20 station weight training facility is being installed. "The new equipment will put us on par with any training program in the state," noted Wylie Harris.

Quick defensive tackle Frank Freeman expresses optimism for JCSU gridgers to turn the program around in September. "For the first time in quite a while the offensive line is bigger than the defense," explained Freeman. "Ray Ellis and Jeff Coan are two of the better linemen in the CIAA, but we lost them to injuries last season. They made up for lost time with the weights and will be very anxious to open holes this year right through people."

Freeman was a leading tackler early in the '79 season, but was switched to defensive end finishing the year with 80 tackles.

"I broke 100 tackles as a sophomore," recalled Freeman. "Playing defensive end limits your mobility because of play-read responsibilities. But coach Smalls is giving me the green light to tackle again and I intend to use my speed to top the 100 hits mark."

The versatile Gill, the best all-around athlete on the JCSU squad, is looking to leave the campus a winner his senior year.

"The players have had enough," notes Gill. "We've gained experience by taking our lumps last year, but most of the team is back and they are hungry for their share in the win column."

The talented Knoxville, Tenn. native has done his share in every position in

his career. In 1979, Gill tied with Nate "the Snake" McDowell in touchdowns scored, was third in pass receptions, third in running and second in total offense along with having the second highest punting average in the CIAA. After trying a number of quarterbacks, Wylie Harris returned to Gill in the season finale, a 16-16 upset tie with Virginia State.

"I'll do whatever coach Harris asks for," commented Cal. "We've got better depth, good material and the players have the team spirit needed to do the job."

"The football players selected three good people to represent and lead them,"

### Involvement Club

### To Sponsor Golf

### Tournament

The Youth Involvement Club will sponsor a Golf Tournament June 14 and 15 at the Sunset Hills Golf Course.

The entry fee is \$25, and the play will be in flights. A trophy will be awarded to the winner and runner-up in each flight.

This activity, along with others sponsored by the Youth Involvement Club in the past, are geared to help underprivileged youngsters develop and pursue their athletic abilities. The club is a non-profit organization. Also, with the help and support from the Police Athletic League, they have worked hard in helping and encouraging youths to participate in all sports, particularly football.

The golf tournament is being held to help raise money to aid the youngsters. If you would like to participate, registration forms are available at the Sunset Hills Golf Course Pro-Shop.

For more information, or registration, contact Cathy Williams at 375-2202 or 525-2962.

### Cookout Reunion

The Friendship Day Care Center will celebrate its tenth anniversary with a cookout for all 1970 to present graduates and their parents. The reunion will be held at the Hornet's Nest Park in Shelter 2 from 9-2 p.m.

reflected Harris. "These three are fine athletes who've been put through a lot the past two years and refuse to quit. This will be the year they've been working towards."

## Here Saturday & Sunday

# Greater Griertown Open To

## Attract Area's Top Golfers

The majority of the area's better amateur golfers will vie for the title Mark Polk won a year ago when the annual Greater Griertown Open Golf Tournament gets underway at Crystal Springs Golf Course here Saturday morning.

According to John Love, a spokesman for the Par-Buster's Organization, Mack Gill, Willie Pruitt, Billy Brannon, Allen Thompson, Johnny Williams, Willie Thompson, Thurman Adams, Freddie Goodman and John Shadd

will head the list of golfers expected to capture trophies in five flights.

Love said Donald Littlejohn and Haywood Stevenson will be the top contenders in the Championship Flight.

The 36-hole tourney will continue through Sunday, following Saturday's qualifying round.

Love said provisions will be made for late registration, starting at 8 p.m. Friday night at the Day's Inn on Woodlawn Road, just off I-77. The entry fee is \$41. per person; this

includes green fees, closest-to-the-hole contest, and the opportunity to attend a social gathering Saturday night at the organization's clubhouse on S. Summitt Ave.

Entry fees do not include the price of carts.

Polk, a student at Wingate College and a native of Monroe, has not indicated that he will play in this year's tourney. Love, however, expects the youngster to be among the late entries, along with Ray Crowder and Robert Brown.

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