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Black money to the rescue saves ABA team from death

Professional sport, which persist in the effort to keep out black ownership, got a reprieve from premature demise in Virginia Tuesday.

Black money prevented the death of the Virginia Squires of the American Basketball Association, when the Norfolk Investment Company came up with a last-minute, $200,000 transfusion.

The company is headed by Elbert Stewart, president of Berkeley Citizens and Trust Co.; Walter Riddick, chairman of the board of Atlantic National Bank, and Kirk Saunders, general manager of the investment company.

"We look at this as a sound business investment," Saunders said. "We're confident that we can gain the support of the community and build the attendance to what we need to make the Squires a viable franchise."

The Squires have been playing to a 1-12 record before crowds estimated at no more than 3,000 per game.

Saunders said the group approached Squires general partner Van Cunningham on Monday "and our decision to go ahead was based on a community effort."

The infusion of these Norfolk Investment funds allowed the club to meet this week's payroll and guaranteed completion of the season. The Squires had been on the brink of becoming the third ABA franchise to fold this season, joining the ill-fated Baltimore Claws and the San Diego Sails.

With the team able to complete its schedule, Ankerson, general manager of the club, began urgent attempts to hire a new coach to replace Al Bianchi, fired two weeks ago.

THANKS FOR TRANSFUSION — Kirk Saunders (right), general manager of the black-controlled Norfolk Investment Co., sits in on press conference at which it was announced that his group had saved the franchise of the Virginia Squires. Squires general partners Van Cunningham (center) and Ted Broecker disclosed that the Saunders group invested $200,000 to keep the American Basketball Association team from folding before the year is out.

Old Morgan 'Famer' buried in Arlington

Burial rites were held Monday at the Arlington National Cemetery for Major James R. Gibbs, US Army, retired.

Major Gibbs, a track and football star at Morgan in the thirties, died of a heart ailment Nov. 15, in Philadelphia.

He had been a recentee inductee into Morgan's Varsity "M" Club Hall of Fame.

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Agent says ex-WFL owner sold drugs, he says fix

ORLANDO, Fla. (UPI) — An undercover agent testified Wednesday that former football promoter Rommie Loudd set up a $4,800 cocaine deal after slipping him a sample in the bathroom of a bugged apartment and taking him to the home of an Orlando musician.

Steve Juno Cox, a short and stocky detective the defense said was "out to get" Loudd, told the jury of a trip to Boston and meetings at a Maitland apartment where he discussed buying cocaine with the former boss of the defunct Florida Blazers of the World Football League.

As the prosecution's star witness, Cox was the first to take the stand in Loudd's long-delayed trial on two counts of cocaine delivery.

Loudd, a linebacker for UCLA who went on to play pro ball and become the personnel director for the New England Patriots, also faces trial for embezzling state tax money in 1974 as the Blazers met financial disaster.

Cox said Loudd made arrangements for him to buy four ounces of cocaine for $4,800 in February during meetings at an apartment in Maitland rented by undercover detectives.

While other agents in an adjoining apartment were listening and taping the conversations through bugs planted in wall sockets and furniture, Cox said, Loudd discussed various aspects of drug smuggling and set up a contact with a man named Toby Williams. (Williams has already been convicted of cocaine delivery).

Loudd's lawyer, Ellis Rubin of Miami, said he will show that Williams and Alphonso Cain, another of the defendant's associates who has also been convicted of trafficking in drugs, "were used by deputy Steve Cox to get Rommie Loudd."

Rubin said Cox "posed as some kind of investor with money, and nobody needed money more at that time than Rommie Loudd."

Rommie Loudd 'out to get him'

Tom McCraw quits as coach for Robby

Manager Frank Robinson announced early this week that the Cleveland Indians have rehired all his 1975 coaches with the exception of Tom McCraw.

McCraw declined the offer to return as first base coach in order to work as minor league hitting instructor in the farm systems.

Rehired were Harvey Haddix, Jeff Torborg and Dave Garcia.

President Muhammad? Ali says its possible

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (UPI) — Muhammad Ali says he's beginning to like politics and "just might be the first black president."

The heavyweight boxing champion appeared before the Illinois Senate Wednesday at the request of Sen. Charles Chew, who has attended several of Ali's fights.

"I've been in so many statehouses meeting so many politicians," said Ali. "I'm starting to like it. I just might be the first black president."

Ali quickly added, "I'm just joking."

Never at a loss for words, Ali chided Chew when the senator addressed Senate President Cecil Partee as "Mister President." Like Chew, Partee is a black Democrat from Chicago.

"I never heard you call another brother, mister," Ali said to Chew. Ali then turned to the full Senate and said, "He never told me there was someone around here who was bigger in authority.

"He says, 'I'm the biggest in town,'" Ali said. Pointing to Partee, he asked, "Are you the biggest here?"

Partee did not respond and later ignored the comment in saying, "It's a great country that can produce a champion that makes $6 million in a fight."

Earlier, when he spoke before the House, Ali was given Illinois license plates which read "Ali 76."

"I never expected so much honor without advance warning," Ali said. "I feel like a kid with a new toy."

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Football on TV

The following chart is offered for use by AFRO readers who may wish to identify players in whom they may have special interest in NFL games of the upcoming weekend.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

BALTIMORE AT MIAMI

Colts			Miami Dolphins		
20	Jackie Wallace	S	22	Mercury Morris	RB
26	Lydell Mitchell	RB	32	Ben Malone	RB
27	Howard Stevens	KR	41	Jaris White	CB
29	Marshall Johnson	RB	44	Barry Hill	S
30	Doug Nettles	CB	45	Curtis Johnson	WR
31	Nelson Munsey	CB	66	Larry Little	G
33	Glenn Doughty	WR	70	John Andrews	DE
38	Bill Olds	RB	74	Randy Crowder	RB
42	Lloyd Mumford	CB	76	Don Reese	TE
48	Roosevelt Leaks	RB	79	Wayne Moore	T
72	Fred Cook	DE	82	Morris Owens	WR
85	Jimmie Kennedy	TE	86	Fred Solomon	WR
86	Freddie Scott	WR	87	Andre Tillman	TE
87	Raymond Chester	TE	89	Nat Moore	WR

OAKLAND AT WASHINGTON

Raiders			Redskins		
21	Cliff Branch	WR	21	Larry Jones	WR
24	Willie Brown	CB	22	Mike Thomas	RB
26	Alonzo Thomas	CB	23	Brig Owens	S
28	Clarence Davis	RB	27	Ken Houston	S
32	Jack Tatum	S	30	Bryant Salter	S
33	Louis Carter	RB	35	Spencer Thomas	S
34	Harold Hart	RB	36	Ralph Nelson	RB
35	Jess Phillips	RB	41	Mike Bass	CB
43	George Atkinson	S	42	Charley Taylor	WR
49	Neal Colzie	S	43	Larry Brown	RB
47	Charlie Phillips	CB-S	44	Moses Denson	RB
60	Otis Sistrunk	DT	46	Frank Grant	WR
63	Gene Upshaw	G	53	Hal McLinton	LB
70	Henry Lawrence	T	61	Dennis Johnson	DT
76	Art Shell	T	64	Manny Sistrunk	DT
82	Horace Jones	DE	74	George Starke	T
86	Gerald Irons	LB	80	Roy Jefferson	WR
			88	Alvin Reed	TE

ST. LOUIS AT N.Y. JETS

ST. LOUIS			N.Y. Jets		
21	Terry Metcalf	RB	7	Ed Bell	WR
26	Dwayne Crump	CB	11	J. J. Jones	QB
27	Eddie Moss	RB	20	Delles Howell	CB
36	Ken Reaves	S	22	Burgess Owens	S
41	Clarence Duren	S	26	Carl Garrett	RB
45	Jim Tolbert	CB	32	Emerson Boozer	RB
59	Pete Barnes	LB	35	Steve Davis	RB
60	Roger Finnie	G	43	Jazz Jackson	RB
68	Henry Allison	G	48	Rich Sowells	CB
69	Greg Kindle	T	47	Roscoe Word	CB
74	Council Rudolph	DE	56	Godwin Turk	LB
79	Bobby Bell	DE	58	Rich Wood	LB
82	Earl Thomas	WR	70	Larry Woods	DT
84	Ike Harris	WR	72	Robert Woods	T
85	Mel Gray	WR	75	Winston Hill	T
88	J. V. Cain	TE	81	Rich Neal	DE
			83	Jerome Barkum	WR
			86	Willie Brister	TE
			87	Billy Newsome	DE
			88	Rich Caster	TE

MONDAY NIGHT

PITTSBURGH AT HOUSTON

Steelers			Oilers		
24	J. T. Thomas	CB	00	Ken Burrough	WR
27	Glen Edwards	S	17	Elmo Wright	WR
32	Franco Harris	RB	19	Willie Alexander	CB
33	John Fuqua	RB	22	Zeke Moore	CB
43	Frank Lewis	WR	29	Willie Germany	S
44	Mike Collier	RB	30	Don Hardeman	RB
45	Jim Allen	CB	34	Willie Rodgers	RB
46	Reggie Harrison	RB	36	Robert Holmes	RB
47	Mel Blount	CB	38	C. L. Whittington	S
57	Sam Davis	G	44	Fred Willis	RB
63	Ernie Holmes	DT	47	Ron Coleman	RB
68	L. C. Greenwood	DE	48	Bob Atkins	S
75	Joe Greene	DT	53	Bob Brazile	LB
76	Dwight White	DE	59	Ted Washington	LB
82	John Stallworth	WR	65	Elvin Bethea	DE
86	Reggie Garrett	WR	75	Elbert Drungo	T
88	Lynn Swann	WR	78	Curley Culp	MG
			82	Mack Alston	TE

Howard to host Barbados quint

The Howard University basketball team, sporting new uniforms, their tallest player in history, and a new coach, will host the national team from Barbados November 26 at the university's Burr Gymnasium.

The Bison cagers will also hold their first annual Blue-White intrasquad game Saturday at 8 p.m. the Morgan-Howard Football Classic weekend.

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G78-15 (8.25x15)	$43.00	21.50	$46.00	23.00	$2.69
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E78-14 (7.35x14)	$28	$2.32
F78-14 (7.75x14)	$30	$2.47
G78-14 (8.25x14)	$32	$2.62
G78-15 (8.25x15)	$32	$2.69
H78-15 (8.55x15)	$33	$2.92

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D78-14 (6.95x14)	$24	$2.10
E78-14 (7.35x14)	$24	$2.27
F78-14 (7.75x14)	$26	$2.40
G78-14 (8.25x14)	$28	$2.56
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