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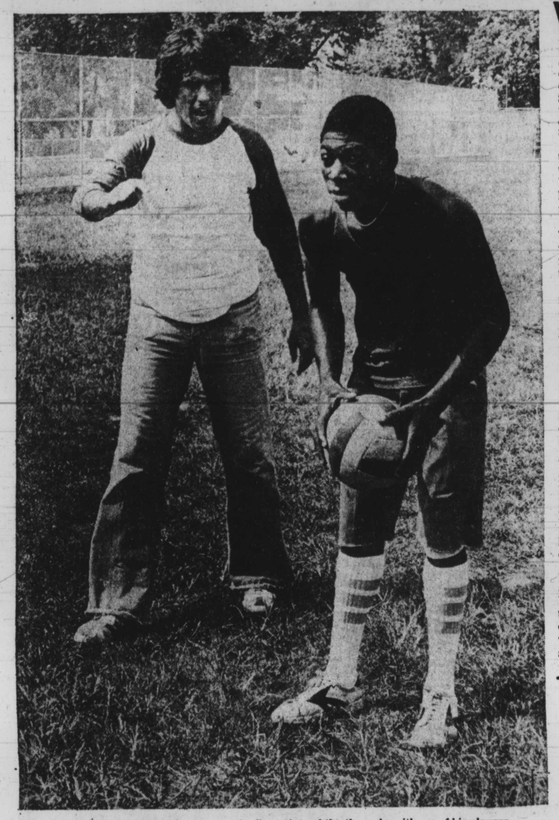
High School Preview



COACH DAVE LANG (L) goes over the fine points of the throw-in with one of his players.

Walbrook's real McCoy

Last season, Walbrook's soccer team took one collective deep breath, then charged out onto its miniature Memorial Stadium and became the only 'C' Conference squad to outlast eventual champion Lake Clifton.

Fittingly, sharpshooting center forward, Kenny McCoy (who tallied 18 goals last year) scored both goals, as the Warriors highlighted its 9-4-2 second place season in fine form.

And more than that, Walbrook's coach now says, it was a win for on-the-spot learning versus life-long participation.

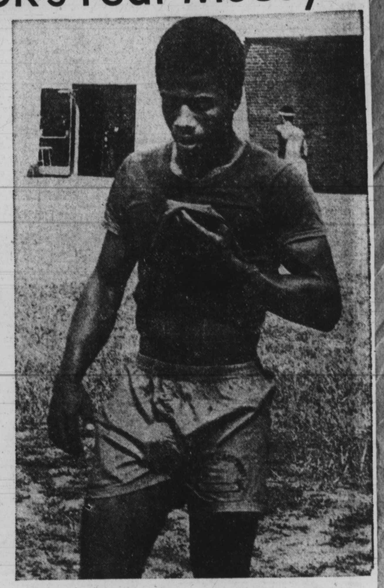
"We definitely don't have too many great players," head coach Dave Lang told the AFRO. "That's because when they (the young athletes) come here in the 10th grade, nobody knows the game.

"It takes them two years to learn," he said.

McCoy, is one who has learned well. His 18 goals were just one symptom of his team leadership.

The senior was one of the Warriors' first team all-conference players last season — halfback Terry Lee and fullback Derrick Brown being the others. Lang says McCoy spells even more trouble this year, now that he has merged experience and confidence.

He concedes Clifton (12-1-7 last year) has to be "favored" after last season. But they can be beat, Lang says, if lesser talented teams "keep the ball on the ground and out of the air, where players need a lot of skill."



TERRY LEE, one of Walbrook's three All Conference players, takes a break during a practice.

JOHNNIE KEES. . . "I wouldn't have a uniform. . ."

Northern chances upped by solid group of seniors

Northern High's 1977 football team is blessed by the stability of age.

Highlighted by a Mutt and Jeff combo on offense and a hole blaster up front, coach Lonn Russ' offense looks explosive. Defensively, the line serve notice on opposing running backs that bruises are to be expected.

Johnnie Kees, at halfback, is the shorter half a strong backfield duo. At just over five feet, (140 pounds) the scatback runs the 40 in 4.9 seconds.

True to form, he's a little cocky (you have to be to play running back.) "Sure," he calmly answers when asked if he can carry his team this year. "I wouldn't be in uniform if I couldn't play."

The guy who hands him the ball, Kevin Green, is a 6-4 210 pound lefthanded quarterback, who says "I can, but I don't " when asked if he also plays basketball.

A back-up QB last season, running fullback most of the time, Green is big enough to send his complete line out on pass patterns, as he holds off defenses with his right hand.

Asked why he switched to signal caller, Green was unusually honest for an athlete: "I can't run the ball that good."

Busting holes for little Kees will be Kevin ("My friends call me Mo") Rivers, a 12th grader who weighs "210 in equipment." Blocking for his running back friend is "easy," Rivers says, "all you have to do is push somebody aside."

Coach Russ, though optimistic, says he nevertheless lost his best player from a year ago: Charles Roberts, who netted 1,200 yards rushing..

Defensively, line coach Joe Voshuhl looks to seniors Rich Szvkiewiez (linebacker) Brian Martin and Allan Parrot (defensive tackles) to anchor a team which was 4-4-1 last season.

Partial lineup for fall high school athletics ,Cont.

Friday, September 23			
V. Football	Carver	Southwestern	3:30 p.m.
	Douglass	Lansdowne	3:30 p.m.
	Roosevelt	Walbrook	3:30 p.m.
	Forest Park	Waldorf, Md.	8:00 p.m.
	Northern	Cambridge	8:00 p.m.
	Northwestern	Edmondson	3:30 p.m.
	Walbrook	Mervo	3:30 p.m.
	Poly	Northern	3:45 p.m.
	Patterson	Patapsco	3:45 p.m.
	Carver	Boys' Latin	3:30 p.m.
JV. Soccer	Mervo	Walbrook	3:30 p.m.
JV. Soccer	Patapsco	Patterson	3:45 p.m.
		Patterson	12:00 p.m.
Saturday, September 24			
V. Football	City	Calvert Hall	2:00 p.m.
	Poly	South Carroll	2:00 p.m.
	Southern	Mt. Hebron	2:00 p.m.
	Lake Clifton	Park	3:45 p.m.
		Gibbons	3:45 p.m.
Monday, September 26	Patterson	Poly	3:45 p.m.
V. Soccer	Northern	Patterson	3:45 p.m.
JV. Soccer	Park	Southwestern	3:45 p.m.
	Friends	Lake Clifton	3:30 p.m.
	Carver	Dunbar	3:30 p.m.
		Southwestern	3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, September 27	Hereford	Patterson	3:30 p.m.
V. Soccer	Northern	Boys' Latin	3:30 p.m.
V. and JV. Cross Co.	Forest Park	Boys' Latin	3:30 p.m.
V. Cross County	Curley	Northwestern	3:30 p.m.
	Douglass	Patterson	3:30 p.m.
	City	Southwestern	3:30 p.m.
V. and JV. Cross Co.	Carver	Northwestern	3:30 p.m.
V. Cross Country	Curley	Boys' Latin	3:30 p.m.
JV. Cross Country	Forest Park	Northwestern	3:30 p.m.
	Southern	Mervo	3:30 p.m.
	Douglass	Northern	3:30 p.m.
	Carver	Lake Clifton	3:30 p.m.
		Southern	3:45 p.m.
Wednesday, September 28	Poly	Edmondson	3:45 p.m.
F.S. Football	Calvert Hall	Spalding	3:45 p.m.
	Loyola	Northwestern	3:45 p.m.
	Mervo	City	3:45 p.m.
V. Soccer	Northern	Walbrook	3:30 p.m.
	Walbrook	City	3:45 p.m.
V. Soccer	Lake Clifton	John Carroll	3:45 p.m.
JV. Soccer	Northwestern	Carver	3:30 p.m.
	Southwestern	Douglass	3:30 p.m.
	Edmondson	Dunbar	3:30 p.m.
		Southern	3:30 p.m.
Thursday, September 29	Walbrook	Gibbons	3:30 p.m.
JV. Football	Northern	Forest Park	3:30 p.m.
	Mervo	Patterson	3:30 p.m.
	Southwestern	McDonogh	3:30 p.m.
	City	Northwestern	3:30 p.m.
	Lake Clifton	Patterson	3:45 p.m.
	Loyola	Mt. Carmel	3:30 p.m.
	Poly	Poly	3:45 p.m.
	Edmondson	Mervo	3:45 p.m.
V. Soccer	Poly	Northern	3:45 p.m.
	Walbrook	Poly	3:30 p.m.
JV Soccer	Patterson	Spaulding	3:30 p.m.
	Lutheran	Walbrook	3:30 p.m.
	Southern	Northern	3:30 p.m.
V. Cross Country	John Carroll	Mervo	3:30 p.m.
JV. Cross Country	Southern	City	3:30 p.m.
Friday, September 30		Lake Clifton	3:30 p.m.
V. Football	Carver	Poly	3:30 p.m.
	Douglass	Baltimore	3:30 p.m.
	Dunbar	Mervo	3:45 p.m.
	Gibbons	Lake Clifton	3:45 p.m.
	Forest Park	Northern	3:45 p.m.
	McDonogh	John Carroll	3:45 p.m.
	Edmondson	Southwestern	3:45 p.m.
	Park	Edmondson	3:45 p.m.
V. Soccer	Edmondson	Northwestern	3:45 p.m.
	Southern	Walbrook	3:45 p.m.
	Northwestern	Lake Clifton	3:30 p.m.
	City	Lake Clifton	3:30 p.m.
JV. Soccer	Lake Clifton	Spaulding	3:30 p.m.
	John Carroll	Mervo	3:30 p.m.
	Carver	Curley	3:30 p.m.
V. Cross Country	Northwestern	Carver	3:30 p.m.
V. and JV. Cross Co.	Northern	Patterson	3:30 p.m.
V. Cross Country	Dunbar	McDonogh	3:30 p.m.
	Gilman	Mt. St. Joe	3:30 p.m.
	Forest Park	Spaulding	3:30 p.m.
	Southwestern	Curley	3:30 p.m.
V. and JV. Cross Co.	Loyola	Herring Run	3:30 p.m.
	Walbrook	Loyola	2:00 p.m.
	Edmondson	Port Hill	8:00 p.m.
	Douglass	Northern	3:45 p.m.
JV. Cross Country	City	Northwestern	3:45 p.m.
Saturday, October 1	Northwestern	Friends	3:45 p.m.
V. Football		Southern	3:45 p.m.
	Patterson	Poly	3:45 p.m.
Monday, October 3	Northwestern	Gibbons	3:45 p.m.
JV. Soccer		Northern	3:30 p.m.
	Lutheran	Dunbar	3:30 p.m.
	Carver	Mervo	3:30 p.m.
	Mervo	Forest Park	3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, October 4	St. Paul's	Southwestern	3:30 p.m.
V. Soccer		Patterson	3:30 p.m.
JV. Soccer	Gibbons	Edmodson	3:30 p.m.
V. and JV. Cross Co.	Poly	Gibbons	3:30 p.m.
	Curley	McDonogh	3:30 p.m.
V. Cross Country and JV	Northwestern	Curley	3:30 p.m.
	Loyola	Poly	3:30 p.m.
	Douglass	Northern	3:30 p.m.
	City	Northern	3:45 p.m.
	Walbrook	Edmondson	3:45 p.m.
	John Carroll	Southern	3:45 p.m.
	Carver	City	3:45 p.m.
	Poly	Southwestern	3:45 p.m.
Wednesday, October 5		Walbrook	3:45 p.m.
F.S. Football	Mervo	Northwestern	3:45 p.m.
	Loyola	Carver	3:45 p.m.
V. Soccer	Lake Clifton	John Carroll	3:45 p.m.
	Mervo	Northern	3:30 p.m.
	Northwestern	Mervo	3:30 p.m.
	Loyola	Lake Clifton	3:30 p.m.
	Walbrook	Southwestern	3:30 p.m.
JV. Soccer	John Carroll	Walbrook	3:30 p.m.
	City	Calvert Hall	3:30 p.m.
	Edmondson	Patterson	3:30 p.m.
	Lake Clifton	Gilman	3:30 p.m.
Thursday, October 6	Southwestern	Curley	3:30 p.m.
JV. Football		Mt. St. Joe	3:30 p.m.
	Carver	Park	3:30 p.m.
	Douglass	Northwestern	3:45 p.m.
	Dunbar	Mervo	3:45 p.m.
	Edmondson	Poly	3:45 p.m.

New Games

An excerpt of games from the Baltimore Recreation Department's All Girls Sports Day:

MASS VOLLEYBALL Divide into two approximately equal teams. Play as regular volleyball except; use earth ball or large cage ball; team has seven seconds (or similar time) to get the ball across the net to the other teams' side; too much time or ball going out of bounds equals a point for the serving team or loss of serve.

TAG GAMES

GO-TAG: Everyone squats in a line with alternate players facing opposite directions. The person at one end of the line is the runner. She may run around the line in either direction and may change directions. The person at the other end of the line is the chaser.

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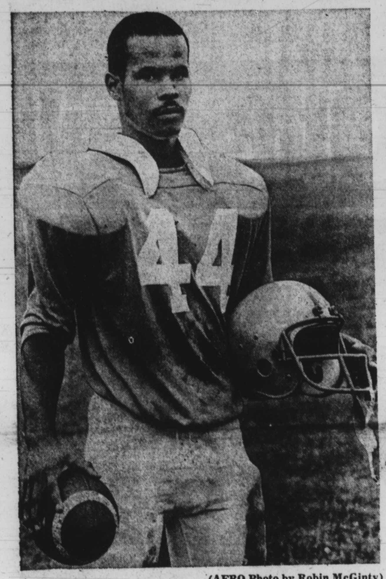
Dope 'hit man' suspect named

Baptists ask U.S. to probe drug mess



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AS LONG AS he runs with it, Mervo coaches don't mind if star running back Michael Brown ever lets go of the ball. The junior rushed for 600 yards last year as a sophomore. See City Sports.

Suspected executioner wanted for 2 killings

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Henry (Genie Boy) Eugene Richardson, 27, who allegedly killed dope kingpin Elijah (Ditty Wo) Davis on Sept. 3.

Police report this is the second warrant that has been issued for Richardson within a week. The first warrant was issued several days ago involving the May 20 murder of Andrew P. Sewell.

Sewell, who is the brother of a local police officer, was gambling with a group of men in a vacant house in the 2000 block of Edmondson Ave. when he was shot in the head.

Police arrested Vernon A. Carroll, 34, on Wednesday and charged him with murder. However, police are still investigating the case of Davis and Sewell.

Ministers demand full safety for teenager

A group of prominent Baptist ministers has called for federal investigation into recent events involving the state's attorney's office, police detectives and the murder Sept. 3 of a known dope lord, Elijah Davis.

In a letter addressed to U.S. Attorney General Griffin Bell, the "Baltimore Baptist Clergy in Action" organization says the maze of conflicting reports on payoffs to a police detective and the unusual treatment of a 15-year-old girl following the Davis murder "warrant attention or the highet level."

Over the signature of the Rev. Alfred C. D. Vaughn, the letter specifically asks the U.S. Department of Justice to

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Lawyer charges cover-up

A former narcotics detective who is now a city prosecutor has been accused of protecting a police officer who allegedly took a $1,000 pay-off from a slain dope dealer Elijah Davis.

A 15-year-old girlfriend of Davis first made charges of witnessing Davis' pay-offs to a city policeman on Sept. 2 when she told her story to Cong. Parren J. Mitchell and deputy Attorney General John Oster.

Attorney William H. Murphy Jr., charged in a press conference aired on WMAR-TV that Assistant State's Attorney John Denholm has sought to have the teenager change her testimony and state that two high ranking police officials accepted the pays-offs not the policeman she had named.

The officer, the teenager has

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MISS BLACK MARYLAND, Marcia Lee of Pikesville received some attention recently from Billy Dee Williams during her week-long stay in Santa Monica, Calif. Miss Lee represented Maryland in national competition for the title of 'Miss Black America.'

THE UNEMPLOYMENT CRISIS

Freedom House jobs meet draws over-flow crowd

The community has risen to the occasion.

Stirred by the job-demanding efforts of Baltimore's churches, city civic organizations have taken giant steps in efforts to make the city responsive to the crisis of black people out of work.

An overflow crowd attended the first fall meeting at the Dr. Lilly M. Jackson Freedom House, 1234 Druid Hill Ave., Tuesday, as that community began its own "crusade" on joblessness, says Juanita Mitchell, the House's director. The crowd was so large it was moved to Bethel AME's chapel.

Similarly, the Baltimore

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ONE MILLION EXPECTED ON WEEKEND

8th City Fair is 'incredible'

What comes wrapped in the special warmth of neighborhoods coming together in celebration of a common purpose? What swells into an intercultural, inter ethnic, interracial festival of smiles, laughter and shared enjoyment?

The Eighth Annual Baltimore City Fair at Inner Harbor beginning today (noon), of course.

Seventy-six of Charm City's communities have come together to put on what organizer's say will be an "incredible" weekend. The Fair won't win down until the wee hours this Sunday.

As befitting his cultural blender called Baltimore, each neighborhood brings its own unique personality to the over 80 acres of the revamped water

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AFRO READERS on Loretta Avenue gather around 'Mr. Fro' to see who will be the lucky number winner in the AFRO in Your Home Contest. A reader helps 'Mr. Fro' pick lucky numbers from his bird cage.

'Mr. Fro' rolls into autumn

With the taste of fall in the air, Mr. Fro and his pals took to the streets again for another afternoon of fun and excitement

Swinging their way through West Baltimore in their Fromobile which has aided them so well throughout the summer, their first stop was in the 1700 block of Druid Hill Ave.

The winner there was Joseph Dixon of 1634 Druid Hill Ave. He got $10 for having the AFRO in his home and another $10 for hitting a combination of No. 087.

Runners up in that block were Lloyd Powell of 1831 Druid Hill Ave. and Larry Small of 1718 Druid Hill Ave. Both received AFRO lottery calendars.

Mr. Fro then moved to the 1800 block W. Madison Ave. where Mrs. Ada Roan of 1820 was awarded her $10 after she answered all the right questions asked by Ms. Fro when she called. However she missed the chance for the $100 prize.

In the same block Janice Leach of 1806 won $10 for having the Tuesday edition of the AFRO in her home. She missed the chance to win $100 but she went home happy anyway.

Hey Swisher! what's up, doc?

With mysterious investigations coming from all directions to his offices lately, State's Attorney William A.

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MRS. REED surveys the damage to her bedroom where the fire started. Story page 13.