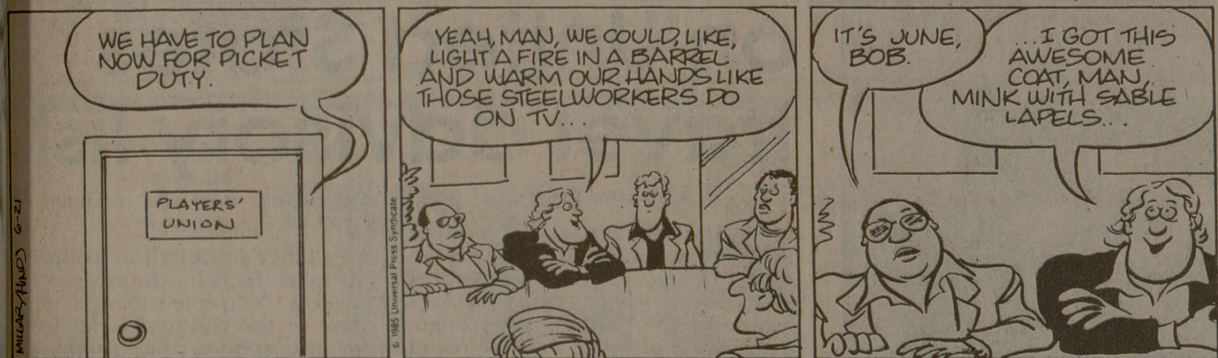


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# Texas swaps Tanana for Detroit AA pitcher

**Associated Press**  
**ARLINGTON** — The Texas Rangers traded pitcher Frank Tanana to the Detroit Tigers for minor league pitcher Duane James, the club announced Thursday.  
 James, a 23-year-old righthander, was assigned from Detroit's Class AA club in Birmingham to the Rangers' Class AA Tulsa affiliate in the Texas League.  
 Tanana, a 31-year-old southpaw, 27 with a 5.91 ERA in 13 starts with the Rangers this season. Detroit will be the fourth major league club to sign Tanana, who has a career record of 137-137 in 1 1/2 major league seasons.

James was in his third season with the Detroit organization after being signed in October 1982. At Birmingham this season, he is 4-7 with a 5.38 ERA in 18 games.  
 Texas also announced Thursday that designated hitter Cliff Johnson

has been placed on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to June 15. Johnson underwent arthroscopic surgery on Monday to remove torn cartilage from his right knee.  
 To fill the roster openings created by Johnson's injury and Tanana's departure, the Rangers recalled righthanded pitcher Glen Cook from their Class AAA farm club in Oklahoma City and purchased the contract of outfielder Nick Capra from Oklahoma City.  
 Capra, 27, is expected to join the Rangers in time for Thursday's home game with Seattle.  
 Cook, 25, is expected to join the club in Minnesota on Saturday.



# Receiver-starved Pokes sign '80 Olympic sprinter

**Associated Press**  
**DALLAS** — The wide receiver-hungry Dallas Cowboys announced Thursday they have signed sprinter Mel Lattany to a contract of undisclosed terms.  
 Lattany, 25, who graduated from Georgia in 1981 and holds the world's third-fastest time in the 100-meter dash, hasn't played football since high school, Cowboys spokesman David Pelletier said.  
 "We worked him out," Pelletier said. "The quarterbacks (both Danny White and Gary Hogeboom) said he's a pretty good receiver and he's been working on it."  
 Dallas has been searching for help at wide receiver since the trade of

Butch Johnson and the career-ending injuries to Drew Pearson.  
 Lattany has a time of 9.96 seconds to his credit in the 100-meters and the Cowboys clocked him at 4.36 over 40 yards, Pelletier said.  
 A native of Brunswick, Ga., Lattany is 5-foot-10 and 180 pounds, and was a member of the 1980 Olympic team. A back injury kept him off the 1984 team, Pelletier said.  
**Pokes, Rams first to open camps**  
**NEW YORK** — The Dallas Cowboys and Los Angeles Rams will be the first National Football League teams to open their 1985 preseason training camps when they greet

rookie candidates on July 14.  
 Cowboy veterans will report to the team's Thousand Oaks, Calif., camp on July 21, with Rams veterans checking in at Cal State-Fullerton on July 19.  
 The New York Giants and Houston Oilers meet in the Hall of Fame exhibition game at Canton, Ohio, on Aug. 3.  
 The Giants will bring rookies to their Pleasantville, N.Y., camp on July 15, with veterans starting four days later. The Oilers scheduled rookies to report to San Angelo on July 19 and veterans on July 21.

# Nets' offer refused by Massimino

Villanova coach rejects \$2.1 million contract

**Associated Press**  
**EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J.** — Rollie Massimino on Thursday rejected an offer by the New Jersey Nets that would have made him one of the highest-paid coaches in the National Basketball Association and decided to stay with his family and friends at Villanova University.  
 The fiery and emotional Massimino turned down the deal, reportedly at least \$2.1 million over 10 years, after night-long negotiations, Nets President Bernie Mann said.  
 The decision was made about 7 a.m., less than seven hours before the Nets were to hold a press conference to announce a new coach, Mann said.  
 "I felt it was in the best interests of my family, Villanova, our players and Jake Nevin to stay at Villanova," the 51-year-old Massimino said in a statement released by the university. "The decision was very trying and tiring."  
 Nevin, the long-time trainer at Villanova, has Lou Gehrig's disease. Massimino could not be reached at his home or at the university, but his wife, Mary Jane, said in a telephone interview Thursday:  
 "I am happy with whatever decision he was happy with."  
 That decision left the Nets without a successor to Stan Albeck, who on Monday signed a three-year contract with the Chicago Bulls after the Nets released him from the final year of his contract.  
 "We're back to square one again," Mann said. "He was our No. 1 choice. It certainly is disappointing. We put a lot of effort into it."  
 The Nets also put a lot of money into the effort to lure Massimino into the professional coaching ranks.  
 His reported salary of \$375,000 annually in his first four years with New Jersey reportedly would have made him one of the five highest-paid coaches in the league.  
 Pat Riley, coach of the Los Angeles Lakers, makes a reported \$500,000, while Albeck was said to have signed a deal worth around \$350,000 with the Bulls.  
 Mann said Nets officials planned to meet Thursday to discuss the coaching situation. Mann has favored hiring a college coach, but he would not say if he still favored that path in the wake of Massimino's decision.  
 Massimino has compiled a 228-137 record in 12 seasons at Villanova, winning the national crown last season with a thrilling upset victory over defending champion Georgetown.  
 His decision to stay at the suburban Philadelphia school was warmly welcomed by school officials, who said they were informed about 7:15 a.m.  
 "The university as a whole is delighted that Rollie Massimino has decided to stay," said Craig Miller, Villanova sports information director.

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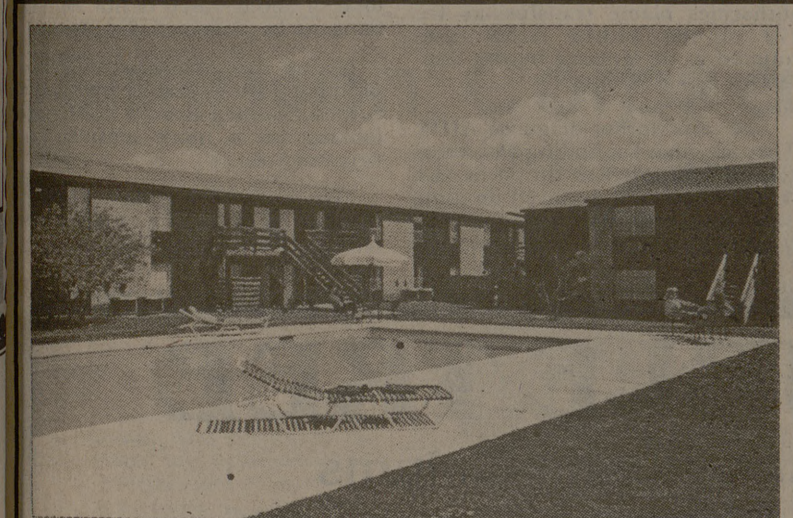
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