

Driesell appears ready to resign as Terp coach

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) — Maryland basketball coach Lefty Driesell has agreed to resign his position and become an assistant athletic director at the school, a source close to contract settlement negotiations said Tuesday.

Driesell, who had once vowed to finish out the remaining nine years of his contract, has scheduled a news conference for 8 a.m. CST today, 1 1/2 hours before school Chancellor John B. Slaughter will conduct one of his own.

The separate news conferences to announce Driesell's reported new job came about after he and Slaughter couldn't agree on a mutual meeting.

The Associated Press learned that

Driesell, after being told on Tuesday that the chancellor wanted to meet with the media at 10 a.m. today, scheduled his own for one hour earlier.

Because of the logistics involved, Slaughter later agreed to start his news conference at 9:30 to accommodate the movement of people and television equipment between the two sites on the Maryland campus.

Attorneys for Driesell and the university had been negotiating for weeks on a settlement of the remaining years of the contract, and it was reported earlier Tuesday that an agreement had been struck.

"We are in sync on suitable terms for an agreement," James J. Mingle, an assistant attorney general hand-

ling negotiations for the university, said. "It is just a matter of final review by the clients."

Driesell, Maryland's coach for 17 years, has been under attack since basketball star Len Bias died of cocaine intoxication on June 19 and subsequent revelations that other players were involved in drugs or had academic difficulties.

The settlement came just four days before the Terrapins begin practice for the 1986-87 season. The delayed opening of practice, 17 days later than the starting date allowed by the NCAA, is in keeping with Slaughter's decision to set the season-opening game back one month.

Padres name Bowa manager

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Larry Bowa, the former All-Star shortstop whose team won a minor-league title in his first managing job, was named manager of the San Diego Padres Tuesday, replacing Steve Boros.

Boros was fired as manager but will work in an unspecified job in the Padres organization, General Manager Jack McKeon announced Tuesday. Boros formerly was director of minor-league instruction for the Padres.

Club president Ballard Smith said Tuesday the change "was something we quite obviously had been thinking about for quite a while because the season didn't go well."

Boros took over as manager of the team three days into spring training when Dick Williams resigned and guided the Padres to a 74-88 record and a fourth-place finish in the National League West.

"Looking at 1986, I think we're all responsible for the poor showing of our ballclub," McKeon said. "That includes me, the manager, the staff and the players. We want it to be known that we do not want Steve to shoulder all the blame for that situation."

Bowa, the Padres 11th manager in the organization's 18 years, led the Padres' Class AAA farm club in Las Vegas to an 80-62 record and the

1986 Pacific Coast League title.

A shortstop who played 16 years in the major leagues, Bowa collected 2,191 hits for a .260 lifetime batting average before retiring after the 1985 season.

He passed on a \$250,000 contract offer to play as a utility infielder for the New York Mets this season to begin his managerial career.

"I certainly feel that Larry has a chance to be an outstanding major league manager," McKeon said.

Boros, 50, who was in Tahiti and unavailable for comment, had served as manager of the Oakland A's in 1983 and a portion of 1984.

NBC says Game 7 most-watched baseball game

NEW YORK (AP) — Game 7 of the World Series between the Boston Red Sox and the New York Mets was the most-viewed baseball game ever, eclipsing the final game of the 1980 World Series between Philadelphia and Kansas City, NBC said Tuesday.

The 1986 fall classic went up against "Monday Night Football" on ABC and NBC said the World Series game its lowest rating ever: an 8.8 with a 14 share.

The matchup presented a dilemma for New York sports viewers, with the football Giants outplaying the Washington Redskins, 27-20, while the Mets were defeating the Red Sox, 8-5.

In Washington, however, the audience forsook the baseball championship for the Redskins.

NBC research estimated the Game 7 of the series Monday night was seen in 34 million homes, while the sixth and deciding game of the 1980 series was seen in an estimated 32 million homes.

Game 7 received a national rating of 38.9 and a 55 share, compared with a 40 rating and a 60 share for the 1980 game.

Mets celebrate win in ticker-tape shower

NEW YORK (AP) — The world champion Mets basked in sunshine, confetti and adulation Tuesday as an estimated 2.2 million New Yorkers hailed their heroes in a thunderous, chaotic ticker-tape parade.

"The team is in a euphoric state," said Mets co-owner Fred Wilpon, also expressing the mood of the city. "We are absolutely thrilled."

Fans knocked over police barricades and flooded the streets of lower Manhattan in a riot of joy as open limousines carrying team members threaded their way slowly up Broadway.

People dangled from trees, perched on ledges and cheered from rooftops and windows along the one mile route to City Hall.

"What the Mets have done is to take New York, the international capital, and turn it into a small town today," said Mayor Edward Koch, who rode in the lead car of the parade with Gov. Mario M. Cuomo and Mets Manager Davey Johnson.

Their car was preceded by two Sanitation Department snowplows that scooped up ankle-deep debris so the parade could proceed. On a gloriously sunny, crisp fall day, the skies rained tons and tons of paper.

"The whole last three days have been unbelievable," said Mets third baseman Ray Knight, the most valuable player of the World Series in which the Mets beat the Boston Red Sox by winning Game 7 Monday night. "I've got goosebumps."

"This means everything," said second baseman Wally Backman. "This is what life is all about in New York City."

About two dozen people were treated for minor injuries, most of them caused by "pushing and shoving and excitement," Emergency Medical Service spokeswoman Donna Osso said.

The Police Department deployed 2,500 officers, many of them on horseback. Police reported only one arrest.

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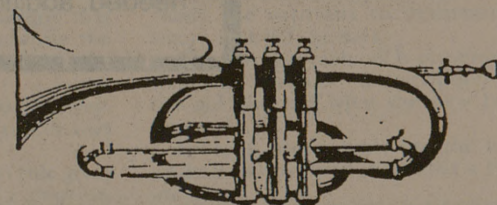
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