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By Lestee Perry

Ronnie Upperman, 165-pound defensive back, has been chosen as Eagle of the Month for October. Against the Virginia State Trojans, Ronnie proved that the little man could hold his own in a game designed for the 200 pounder. Against the Trojans, who rank third in the nation in total offense, Ronnie picked up 3 interceptions to stave off defeat several times for the Eagles.

Ronnie is a 20-year-old junior from Plainsfield, New Jersey and a graduate of Plainsfield High School. While attending high school he was an outstanding track and football star, and a member of the Spanish Club. He had received a scholarship to attend Tennessee A. & I., but turned it down in order to become an NCC Eagle which had been his desire since his junior year.

Devoting most of his time to football here at NCC, Ron has very little time for other extracurricular activities and hobbies other than drawing which is his first love. Pursuing a major in Physical Education and a minor in Art, Ron says that his first choice ASO career is commercial art, but that he would settle for a coaching and teaching career.

Asked if the team possessed the same spirit and desire to win as of last season, Ron made this comment: "The team definitely has the same desire and spirit as last season, but due to the injuries of key linemen and mistakes, we've just been un-



RONNIE UPPERMAN

able to win." He went on to state that since the Virginia State game the fellows have been keyed up more than in previous contests and that things are beginning to look better.

So Ron, from all of us here at the **Echo**, the best of everything in all your future endeavors, and keep up the good work!



Eagles Drop Two, Ties Virginia State

Ornithologists say the Eagle is really a cowardly bird, but this football campaign the Mighty Eagles and Coach James Stevens have proven just the opposite. They have met some of the toughest opposition in and out of the CIAA, yet each week they appear to be determined to win and come up to the pre-season predictions of sports writers.

Late September and early October has been most conducive to Eagle defeats. The Eagles' performance during this period has shown some signs of regaining the timing and sharp blocking that earned them a second place CIAA finish last season, but it has not been consistent enough to merit victory. To get a clearer illustration, let's replay the last three games.

Morgan State vs. N. C. College Two touchdowns in the last quarter plus nine points before intermission gave the defending CIAA champions, Morgan State, a 23-0 victory over the Eagles for their twentyfirst win in a row.

Morgan is much the same team that won the NCAA East Coast small college title last year in the Tangerine Bowl against West Chester College of Pennsylvania.

The Bears first scored in the first quarter. The Eagles took a kick from Morgan's Isaac Jackson on NCC's one-yard line. On the third down, the Eagles still stood at the three-yard line, and Coach James Sevens sent punt specialist Thurman Jones in; Jones' kick was blocked by Morgan's Carlon Dabney. The ball rolled into the end zone for a safety, giving the Bears a 2-0 lead.

The Eagles' only trip across midfield came in the first quarter on a 27-yard pass from quarterback Herman Mathews to end Julian Martin.

Morgan's first touchdown came early in the second quarter on a 52-yard pass play. Quarterback Daryl Johnson threw to end Alvin Mitchell for the score 9-0 for the Baltimore, Maryland invaders.

The Eagles had the ball for only two plays in the third quarter. Morgan put together a string of 18 plays without scoring before relinquishing the ball. The Eagles punted from their 15-yard line on the second down, and Morgan held the ball until the quarter ended with the pigskin on the NCC 25-yard line.

Morgan advanced to NCC's nine. A fourth down pass to All-American candidate Gerald See Sports Review, Page 8

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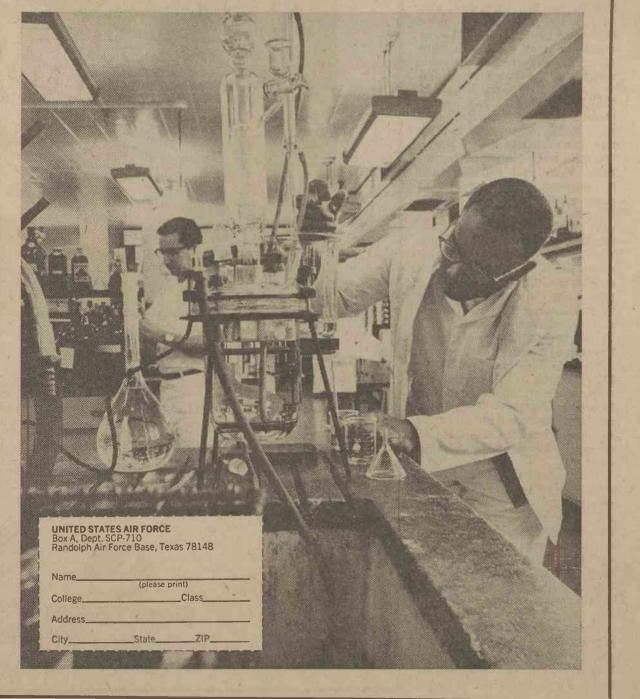
NSF Grants To Be Considered

The National Research Council has been called upon again to advise the National Science Foundation in the selection of candidates for the Foundation's program of graduate and regul ar postdoctoral fellowships. Panels of outstanding scientists appointed by the Research



Council will evaluate applications of all candidates. Final selection will be made by the Foundation, with awards to be announced on March 15, 1968.

Fellowships will be awarded for study in the mathematical, physical, medical, biological, engineering, and social sciences, including the history and philosophy of science. Awards will not be made in clinical, education, or business fields, nor in social work diplomacy, history, or law. Application may be made by college seniors, grad-



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Applicants for the graduate awards will be required to take the Graduate Record Examination designed to test scientific aptitude and achievement. The examintaions administered by the Educational Testing Service, will be given on January 20, 1968, at designated centers throughout the United States and in certain foreign countries.

The annual stipends for Graduate Fellows are as follows: \$2400 for the first year level; \$2600 for the intermediate level; and \$2800 for the terminal level.

The basic annual stipend for Postdoctoral Fellows is \$6500. Dependency allowances and allowances for tuition, fees, and limited travel will also be provided.