

## FOOTBALL OR BASEBALL - FSU'S JOHNNY HIGHSMITH IS PUZZLED?

Ask Fayetteville State University's star hurler Johnny Highsmith which sport he prefers to play and he'll probably say football. However, he may also say that he is stronger in the area of baseball.

Sounds confusing? This Bronco athlete is quite talented and is a valuable asset to football coach Raymond McDougal and baseball coach Milton Armistead.

"Frankly, I feel that I could make it in either football or baseball," said Highsmith.

Last year in football, the lanky Highsmith almost broke the game open against Winston-Salem State University. The Broncos were trailing 7-0 when he caught a pass and raced to the five yard-line before being stopped from behind. The Broncos failed to score and lost the game 7-3. Getting back to baseball, Highsmith is the number one hurler for the Broncos and has struck out fifty batters so far this season. The 6-2, 191 pound right-hander has a 5-1 record and the Jacksonville, Florida product feels that his best pitch is a fast ball.

"Football is my first love," says the sophomore, "that's why I want to play football, I'm not very fast but my ability to catch the ball and my moves are my greatest assets."

Football coach Raymond McDougal is happy to have Highsmith as one of his top-flight wide receivers and baseball coach Milton Armistead is quite happy too.



FSU BRONCO LEADERS FOR THE '73 GRIDIRON CAMPAIGN-- "Mean Mike" Wright (right) and Richard Johnson have been selected to co-captain the 1973 edition of the Fayetteville State University football team. Wright, who made All-NAIA District 26 and Mutual Black Network Sports All-America, is a 190-pound line-backer from Rocky Mount, N.C. Johnson, a 180-pound defensive right corner back, hails from Wadesboro, N.C.

## FSU'S RON BATTLE WANTS TO PLAY PRO BALL

He's a senior at Fayetteville State University, Majors in physical education, and is the star left fielder for coach Milton Armistead's squad. His name is Ron Battle.

Ron Battle is 6-0 and weighs 184 pounds and is serious about playing professional baseball and he has the credential for the game. Battle, one of the tri-captains of this year's squad, is a graduate of Savannah High School in Kinston, N.C.

Strange as it might seem, Battle says that he never played ball in high school. "No," he says, "I never played high school baseball because my school did not have a team." "However", Battle continued, "I did manage to play some semi-pro baseball around the tenth grade which helped me to develop myself for college ball."

Presently, the Bronco baseball-buster is batting a healthy .442 and leads the team in RBI's with 24, and has belted four round-trippers.

A likeable young man, Battle idolizes Atlanta Braves' Hank Aaron because he "seems to want to help people get ahead."

This Bronco senior is determined to make the pro ranks in baseball. "If I don't make it in left field," he said, "I'll make it at third base because that's my most comfortable position."

## FSU RECEIVES \$24,000 NCAA GRANT FOR SUMMER SCHOOL YOUTH PROGRAM

Fayetteville State University has received a grant in the amount of \$24,000 to conduct a program on campus in connection with the National Summer Youth Recreation Program.

In announcing the grant, Chancellor Charles "A" Lyons, Jr. said that the funds will provide Fayetteville State University an opportunity to serve more than 220 children and youth between the ages of

10-18 in a six week Summer Recreation program.

FSU's program will commence Monday, June 11 and continue six weeks until July 19. It will be conducted four days a week, Monday through Thursday, four hours a day, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. Participants will be given a complete supper meal at the end of each day's activities.

Ninety percent of the par-



FUTURE BRONCO GOLF STAR -- Vincent Reid, a freshman at Fayetteville State University, recently was the recipient of the "Most Valuable Player" Award and the "Most Outstanding Player" Award at the school's athletic banquet. Reid, a business administration major, is a native of Greensboro, N.C.

(FSU Photo by John B. Henderson)

Participants in the FSU Summer Youth Recreation Program must come from financially disadvantaged homes. Ten percent may come from higher income brackets.

Recruiting has already commenced for the FSU recreation program and this is being conducted among seven schools in the general area of Fayetteville State University. These include Washington Drive Junior High School, Ramsey Street Elementary School, E. E. Smith High School, J.S. Spivey Junior High School, Alexander Graham Junior High School, Pauline Jones School and Lucille Souders Elementary School.

Fayetteville State University's Summer Youth Recreation program has received the endorsement of Fayetteville Mayor Jackson F. Lee and Fayetteville City Schools.

Each participant will receive a medical examination before he or she enters the program. In addition, each will be insured against injury caused by accidents in the program. The university's infirmary will be open daily during the schedule hours with nurses present and a physician is on call for the purpose of handling emergencies. Each child will be required to bring a parental permission statement.

According to Dr. William Bell, FSU Athletic Director and Project Administrator, the program will include a daily session on health education matters, which will include formal presentation on health information on the age level of the participants, toward developing health knowledge, good attitudes, skills and techniques. The use of film and other modern teaching aids will be employed in this program. Special emphasis will be given to providing information on dangerous drugs, alcohol, drugs, venereal diseases and other vital topics.

Nine professionals will be employed in the program. In addition, there will be ten program aides or major students from the areas of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. All of the facilities of the university will be open to the participants.

Subject areas to be offered in the program other than health include dance, arts and crafts, swimming, gymnastics, and a variety of sports and games such as basketball, softball, flag football, tennis, track and field, volleyball and others.

## INSIDE BRONCO SPORTS

WITH RONNIE ALLEN

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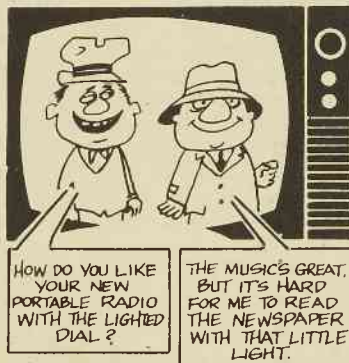
Being on the VOICE sports staff has been an exciting and a unique experience. I have never had any experience in newspaper writing, but I have had experience in writing. At one time I thought it would be easy, but in the long run, I found out it takes a hell of a lot of work.

Sportswriting is a challenge and unless you stick with it it will defeat you. Sometimes, even I felt like giving up.

Working on the VOICE is "no sit down and wait" job. You have to go out and get the information for yourself. You will not have to worry about being embarrassed because every coach I have talked with was very cooperative and real enthused that they were contributing to the school's newspaper. Even the players were real excited to know they were getting the publicity.

I have learned a lot being on the newspaper staff thanks to Mr. John B. Henderson, our advisor. Next year I hope to learn a lot more than I know now.

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## GOLF TEAM TAKES FIFTH IN CIAA

Fayetteville State golf team, coached by M.S. Walker, enjoyed their year as they finished fifth among CIAA competition. This is the first complete golf team FSU has had to compete in CIAA competition. Walker commented on this year's team performance; "I am very pleased with this year's team performance. I think the team really worked hard to develop in their individual games."

Vincent Reid, who coach Walker has nothing but praise for, gave an outstanding performance on every outing. Also Reid won the Most Valuable Player award along with the first year player award and numerous medals for outstanding plays in golf. Reid was at the helm as the golf team went into the CIAA tournament. And right behind Reid was Terrance Murchison who played the second man on the team. Murchison won the Most Improved Player Award and the Senior Year Award followed by Robert Doherty who won the First year award and Jody Ervin who also won a First year Award.

The young golf team took the regular CIAA crown from St. Augustine who was the leading team in CIAA. FSU placed fifth in the Northern and Southern meets and also placed fifth in the finals with Reid winning low medal honors.

Coach Walker wishes to thank his supporters by saying "I extend my sincere thanks to Clarence Bridges and William "Peco" Kena who served as trainer for the team and also I extend a personal thanks and appreciation to Dr. Richard Sullivan for his undivided help and support."

Coach Walker says he is optimistic about next year, but he is in contact with some sound athletes to help boost up the golf program here. I send my congratulations to Coach Walker and his supporters of the golf team on a job well done.



FSU GOLFERS pictured above are Terrance Murchison, Vincent Reid, Coach Moses Walker, Robert Doherty, Jody Ervin.