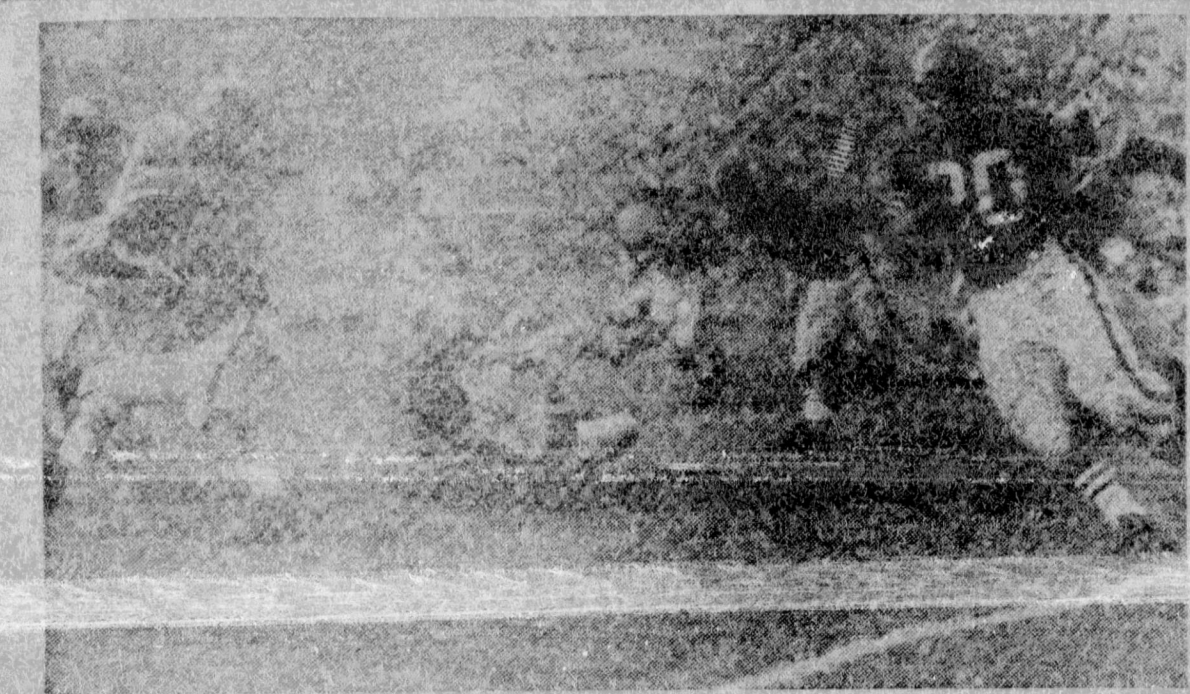


Holiday Tournament At A & T December 26-31



GROUND GAINER—George Talaferro (20), speedy halfback of the Baltimore Colts, goes around end for 30 yards and a first down in the first quarter of a recent game with the Los Angeles Rams in California. Although the Colts led 13-7 at half time, the determined Angelenos came back to win the game in the fourth quarter. (Newspress Photo)

3 Leading Court Teams Included In Festival

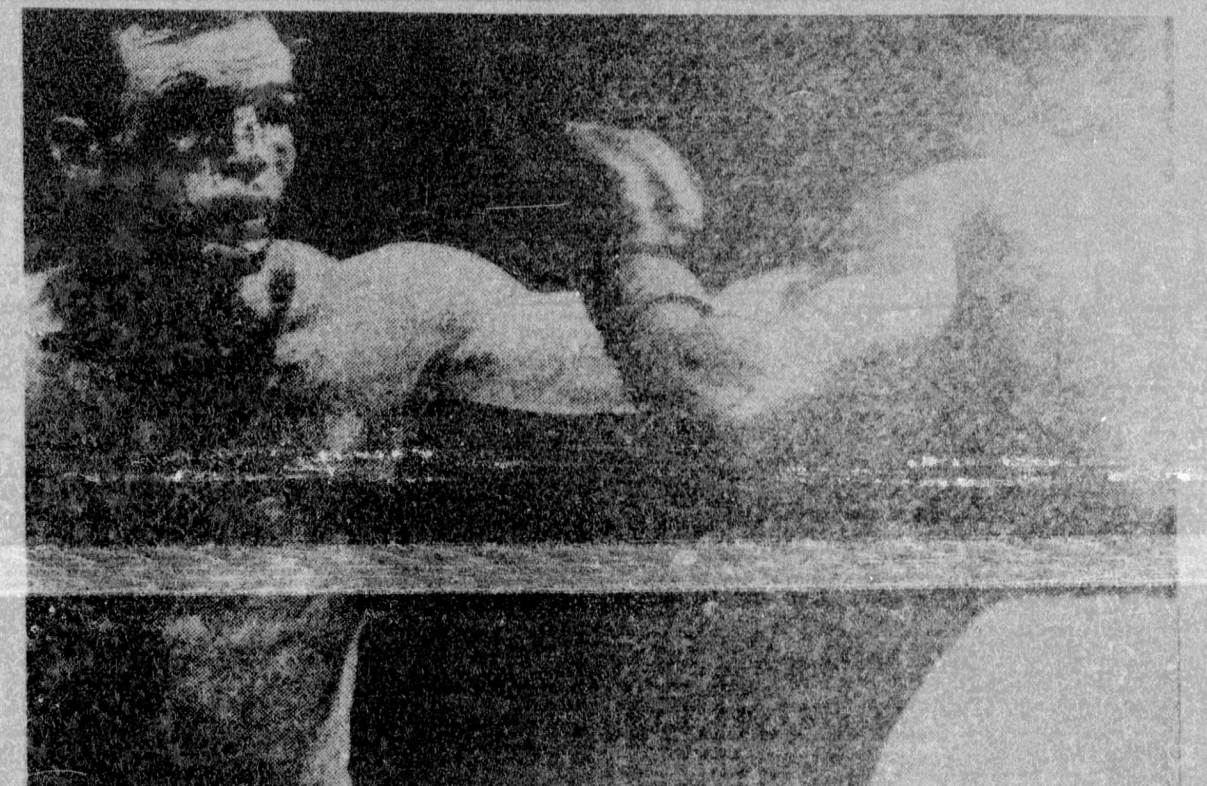
At least three basketball championship teams from last season are included among those competing in the Holiday Festival Basketball Tournament to be held here at A & T College on December 29, 30 and 31.

Virginia State College, defending champs of the past season, led by coach W. J. Smith, of the University of Virginia, and the University of North Carolina, coached by Frank McGuire, and the College of William and Mary, coached by C. L. A. Williams, are expected to be the big event. The tournament will be held in the gymnasium of the college.

Other teams which will be included are the Washington High School, Beaufort, and the Jones-Sellers High School, Burlington on December 29. The high school events have been set for 8:30 p. m., opening the evening sessions.

The afternoon session consists of two games each with the winners will be played in the evening on Wednesday and Thursday beginning at 8:30 o'clock with the two final games on Friday evening set for 7:00.

All games are to be played in the A & T College gymnasium.



BLEEDING VICTOR—Highly-touted Frankie Ely of the Bronx (left) looks over the loser with blood oozing out of his eye in the ninth round of his recent bout with former Latin American champion Orlando Zubeta. But looks are deceiving. Ignoring the claret, Ely punched out a 10-round decision over his Cuban rival. In this photo Ely wards off Zubeta with a long left. (Newspress Photo)

Eagles Name Co-Captains Of Next Year's Gridiron Squad

DURHAM — Matthew Boone, Hampton, Virginia junior tackle, and Ross Hines, Dupont, Michigan junior end, have been named as co-captains for North Carolina College's 1955 football team.

The two forward wall standouts, along with Jerome Evans of Goldsboro and Amos Thornton of Norfolk, Virginia, senior halfbacks.

The N.C.C. club won the 1954 CIAA football crown. They claim the mythical National Football Title by virtue of their 18-0 defeat of Wake Forest and killed Tennessee A and I, State University teams at the National Classic on December 4.

Boone and Hines were elected to lead the Eagles at a meeting of N.C.C. on last Wednesday.

Other outstanding gridironers voted honors were: Otto Harvey, Elizabeth City, senior center; Most Valuable Player; James Forbes, Norfolk, Virginia, guard; Most Outstanding Freshman; Amos Thornton, Best Blocker; Claude Mayfield, Suffolk, Va., senior tackle; Best Defensive Lineman and Evans, Best Defensive Back.

Evans, who sustained a broken collar bone on November 12, prior to the West Virginia State game, won the Best Defensive Back honors for the second straight year.

"Chip" Sligh Returns To College; Low Scholarship Nixes Cage Participation

DURHAM — James "Chip" Sligh, brilliant freshman guard on North Carolina College's basketball team, is eligible to return to North Carolina College in January.

Sligh was not in school during the 1954 quarter for scholarship reasons. A basketball spokesman at N.C.C. said, "Sligh overtook his classes and he was automatically dropped when he didn't make the required grades."

The young Winston-Salem hardwood artist must do satisfactory work in the winter quarter or face indefinite academic suspension.

He won't be eligible for basketball until late in 1955.

122 Cage Officials Complete Examinations At Richmond

RICHMOND, Va. — One hundred and twenty-two basketball officials took the National Association of College Commissioners Basketball Examination at Virginia University here Sunday, December 5. This examination was given by Commissioner of Basketball, Frank G. Burnett.

Commissioner Burnett pointed out that the assignment of officials was dependent upon their being approved by the colleges, and that only 44 officials were on the approved list for game assignments during the 1954-55 season.

The clinic on new rule changes was conducted by Dallas Shirley, who went through the 13 changes in the rules for the 1954-55 season. It is to be noted that only 13 changes are listed in the section of rule changes. However, Rule 6, Section 1 is a change that was left out in the list of rule changes, giving a total of 14.

After the interpretation, the basketball examination was given in the gymnasium of Virginia Union University, Dallas Shirley then went through the mechanics of officiating a real game, and gave participating commissioners of basketball, coaches and referees, a set of ten cards for officials along with instructions to line-up men and score keepers.

The correct answer was the same as last year with the exception that back men were now substituted for white men.

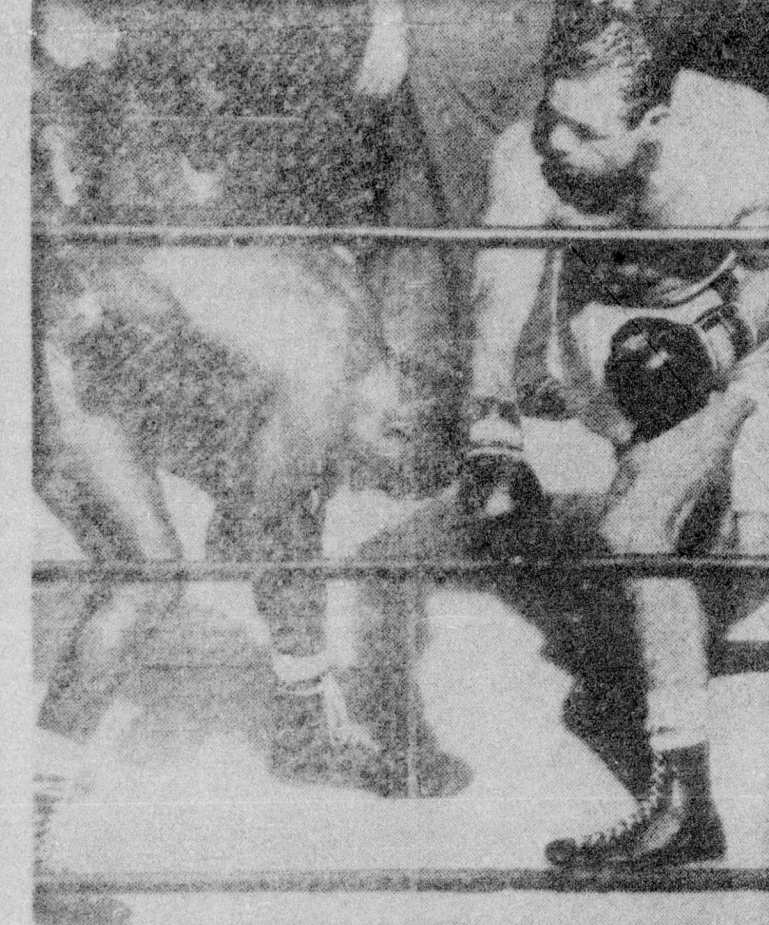
NY Yankees Sign Elston Howard As 1st Regular Player

BROOKLYN — (AP) — The all-around star athlete from St. Louis, Elston Howard, last week was definitely tagged as the first Negro to ever become a regular with the New York Yankees baseball team.

Shortly after Casey Stengel, manager, declared he would like to keep the farm club star, the catcher was purchased from Kansas City the day before the deadline to keep him out of the baseball draft. Howard was ordered immediately to Puerto Rico to join the San Juan Club.

He played for the Toronto team last season and ranked second in batting with .351 and was chosen most valuable player of the league. In 138 games, some as a catcher and some as an outfielder, he hit 22 home runs, 15 triples and 20 doubles, and batted in 108 runs.

Harry Craft is coaching San Juan and the Yankees asked him to use Howard as a catcher and outfielder. Since Woodling was traded to the Orioles, the Yankees may use Howard in the outfield. Several clubs sought Howard.



LOW BRIDGE—Newly-crowned welterweight champion Johnny Saxton (left) is about to get "crowded" again as he ducks into an overhead ring by Ramon Fuentes in their recent 10-round bout at Los Angeles Olympic auditorium. Saxton, fighting for the first time since he won the title in a controversial bout with Kid Gavilan, won a unanimous decision over Fuentes. (Newspress Photo)

Falcons Top Bears 64-52

Earl Richards, forward for the Falcons of St. Augustine's College, paced the local squad to a 64-52 victory over their cross-town rivals, the Shaw University Bears Thursday night.

Lanky Richards poured in 18 points to lead scoring for both quintets. Two other stars for the victors were Herb Oldham who basketed 15 points and Clarence Burks with 11.

H. Knight was the high man for Shaw University. He placed 33 points.

The Falcons led throughout the encounter. The score stood at 32-20 at halftime.

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Fisk Univ. Bulldogs Into Winning Ranks

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Fisk University Bulldogs, winners of their first three games with no spectacular comebacks as they could have asked for, capitulated on the Nashville team's inability to click and frequent miscues. The Alabama eagles took a commanding first half lead, 49-20.

It remained for Nashville's own Freddy Worle, a junior and senior center, to catch fire and lead Fisk back into the ball game. Worle, who had only 6 points at halftime, scored 18 points in the second period as the lead reversed back and forth.

It was largely through his efforts, after first-string forward Weldon Drew of Houston, Texas, and Leroy Wright, freshman from Nashville, had looked out that Fisk was able to stay in contention, and with one and a half minutes to play, froze the ball to win by one point.

Coach Herbert "Bus" Thompson is preparing his team in advance for their game with LeMoyne in high hopes of continuing their winning ways.

The SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL	
ALABAMA STATE 76, ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE 29	VIRGINIA UNION 76, ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE 29
TENNESSEE STATE 69, MORRIS BROWN 66	TENNESSEE STATE 69, MORRIS BROWN 66
HOWARD 86, VIRGINIA STATE 84	HOWARD 86, VIRGINIA STATE 84
ST. AUGUSTINE'S 64, SHAW 52	ST. AUGUSTINE'S 64, SHAW 52
JACKSON COLLEGE 52, KENTUCKY STATE 45	JACKSON COLLEGE 52, KENTUCKY STATE 45
BLUESHILL 77, MORRISTOWN 69	BLUESHILL 77, MORRISTOWN 69
TRAYBURN 59, NORTHWEST-TENNESSEE 71	TRAYBURN 59, NORTHWEST-TENNESSEE 71
MARYLAND STATE 71, W. SATEM TOPS 63	MARYLAND STATE 71, W. SATEM TOPS 63
ALA. STATE 193, TUSKEGEE 59	ALA. STATE 193, TUSKEGEE 59
N.C. A&T 76, SHAW UNIVERSITY 63	N.C. A&T 76, SHAW UNIVERSITY 63
ST. AUGUSTINE'S 31, ELIZ. CITY 56	ST. AUGUSTINE'S 31, ELIZ. CITY 56
ENOXVILLE 165, BLUEFIELD 84	ENOXVILLE 165, BLUEFIELD 84

Broncos Top Pirates 90-70

FAYETTEVILLE—The Fayetteville State Teachers College Broncos back in an all-out effort to break into the win column after dropping a series of tough ones, became "hard to handle" in a game against their ancient rivals, the Elizabeth City "Pirates" and jumped ahead on "Bronco" Captain William (Duke) Lewis' beautiful lay-up from the tip-off and never relinquished their lead.

It was a basket-for-basket affair that finally saw the victors' noses out to the tune of 90-70. A Bronco trio, Ronald Evans, Duke Lewis, John Morgan, and Co-Captain Ralph (Easy) Mack were in rare form and during the first ten minutes of play pushed the score up to a top-sided 22-7 total, but that could not last. Two Pirates "big-guns", Samuel Billups and Co-Captain James Greer, soon broke loose to run up an indicative 46-35 score at half time in favor of Coach William "Gus" Gaines' boys.

The second half, also a free-scoring affair, saw each team quicken its tempo, but neither ever really "iced" the game with a commanding lead. Lewis, Mack, and Evans kept pouring it on, but the Pirate quint absorbed it all and kept on registering those crowd-pleasing long shots from near the middle of the court.

Two Bronco reserves, Richard Woods of Newark, New Jersey, and Alfred Callender of New York City, gave good account of themselves in the fray.

Pirate Co-Captain James Greer, a six-foot center, who was one of the game's finest performers, stole the scoring honors with a total of 27. "Duke" Lewis came in second with 24.

Loans for soil and water conservation are now available to United States farmers through the Farmers Home Administration, if the farmers are unable to obtain the necessary credit on reasonable terms from private sources.

Fritz Pollard's SPORTS CLOSE-UP

NEW YORK (GLOBAL) — It's trading time in the baseball market, time for the usual seasonal juggle in which second place teams plan their team personnel with the potential in mind, and second division teams lay plans to try to pull out of the cellar.

It looks like Junior Gilliam of the Dodgers is up to grabs, and he might wind up in Cincinnati. Ray Jabouski has gone to Cincinnati from St. Louis, but we wouldn't be surprised at all if Ray wound up in Brooklyn, since the Dodgers just got rid of the best glove man who ever graced the hot corner on any team—Pilly Cox. We understand Ray isn't exactly tops in the fielding department, but he carries a heavy bat.

North Carolina dairymen who are buying feed again this year because of the summer drought must be careful to buy the most economical feed if they are to make a profit expansion dairy specialists say.

Minoso's 'Ex' Supposedly 'Hoppin' Mad' Over Settlement For Divorce

CHICAGO — (AP) — The former wife of White Sox star outfielder Onesh "Minnie" Minoso is reportedly "hopping mad" over terms of her divorce settlement.

The divorce decree requires Barbara Swader Minoso to quit her job in Chicago's popular Archway Lounge. In return, she is to receive \$85 a week. Friends said that the \$85 hardly matches her current earnings. She went to court to accept \$10 weekly in child support, according to her lawyer, Mrs. Sarah Rogers.

Judge Maurice J. Schultz awarded the decree and ordered Mrs. Minoso to stay home and take care of her 15-month-old daughter, Lynette.

Aggies Down Virginia State Quintet 99-47

GREENSBORO — The A & T College Aggies snowed under a hapless band of Virginia State College 99-47 in a conference basketball game played here in the local college's gymnasium last Friday, Dec. 3.

After going ahead with a fat 35-20 lead at halftime, about the only other thrill offered the capacity crowd which took every seat in the house was the last minute effort of the Aggies to break 100 points. Fate decreed otherwise and denied the home-owners by an eyelash. It was a wild scramble at the finish to bucket just one more field goal by second stringers inserted 10 minutes from the finish.

The Aggies were just about "hot as peppers" dropping shots from all angles with precision-like accuracy for the Virginians, it was just the reverse.

It was the second conference victory for the Aggies in as many engagements. Leading the scoring was Boyd Smith who repeated his performance in the first game by registering 25 points. Ray Lambert was second for the Aggies with 14.

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Pick Jackson At Cornell U.

NEW YORK — (AP)—Cornell University, which has had several good colored football players since all-American Bud Holland cracked the ice there, went one step further this year and named the only colored member of this year's squad, captain for 1955.

He is Richard C. Jackson, 19, junior from Athens, Pa. Last season, Jackson saw service as right halfback and left halfback. He was one of the speediest men on the squad.