

The Times SPORTS SCENE

Slow Recruiting Start Ends on Happy Note For Central Mentor

Willie Smith has had to recruit a football team, find a home for his family and get moved all at the same time, but he says he's had a good recruiting year anyhow.

Smith was named in February to succeed George Qulett as the head football coach at North Carolina Central University.

He got a late start recruiting and he just got his family moved to town last Monday.

But "I am very well pleased with our recruiting progress", said Smith, formerly the head coach at Maryland-Eastern Shore.

"We did get a late start, but we think our signees are good. We're pretty proud of them and their credentials".

Central has signed what Smith termed "very, very key prospect from Pittsboro".

They are Archie Cross, a 6-3, 245-pound tackle and Steve Alston a running back, who stands six feet and weighs 175.

"We have made good inroads and hope to sign three boys from Durham High", Smith said. The Durham prospects are Bobby Miller, David Johnson and Anthony Price.

"We have had the good fortune to sign three quarterbacks, although two of them can play other positions", said Smith. Central signed two players from the Baltimore area, Ricky Moore and Charles Armwood. Coming from Virginia is Tommy Mills, another quarterback.

"Both Moore and Armwood are about 6-2 and weigh around 190 pounds". Armwood led Northwestern High to the Maryland State Athletic Association championship last season, beating Moore's Dunbar High team in the finals.

Mills is from Hampton, Va., and is the smallest of the three quarterbacks signed. He's small, but a good option specialist. He has speed and quickness.

"We felt it to our advantage to sign these three young men because they are outstanding athletes". Moore also lettered in track and basketball. He was a receiver and a running back as a prepster in addition to being a quarterback. "He has the size and strength to be a defensive back", Smith said.

Mills also may play some defense with the Eagles. While the task of recruiting



WILLIE SMITH

has been under way, Smith has been chatting with his staff and getting acquainted with them. Two new members will join the NCCU football staff. "Bill Thomas of Tennessee State will join us", said Smith. "He will work with the linebackers". Thomas is 27.

Harry "Choker" Edmonds, who resigned as Central's basketball coach last season, is the other new member of the football staff. Edmonds will work with defensive backs. Stonewall Jackson will handle the offensive line, and Ted Manly will work with the offensive back.

TO ENHANCE his recruiting opportunities, Smith plans to attend a couple of prep all-star games over the summer. "We're especially interested in interior linemen. We would like to land about three linemen this year, he said.

Smith said his aim in recruiting was to stay within the state. "We may get two or three players out of state, but I plan to roam every nook, crook and corner to find the good athlete in the state".

He has talked with the returning players and is "very impressed with their enthusiasm. They have the desire to do the things that are necessary to have an outstanding season. They are my kind of people. They have a certain kind of leadership about them, and they have addressed themselves to the football program well".

Smith said the Eagles would use the wishbone as the basic attack, "but we'll make some adjustments and provisions".

Old Timers To Stage July 4th Charity All-Star Game

Baseball and July 4th are two great American traditions and what better time could there be for the Greensboro "Old Timers Baseball Club" to hold a charity game in the Gate City.

That's right, the "Old Timers" will meet the Brown-Summit All-Stars on Independence Day at the Greensboro War Memorial Stadium to benefit the Black Child Development Institute in Washington, D. C.

"Old Timers" club manager Jerry Jarvis hopes the game will enliven the Gate City's baseball fever and simultaneously provide financial assistance for two worthy organizations.

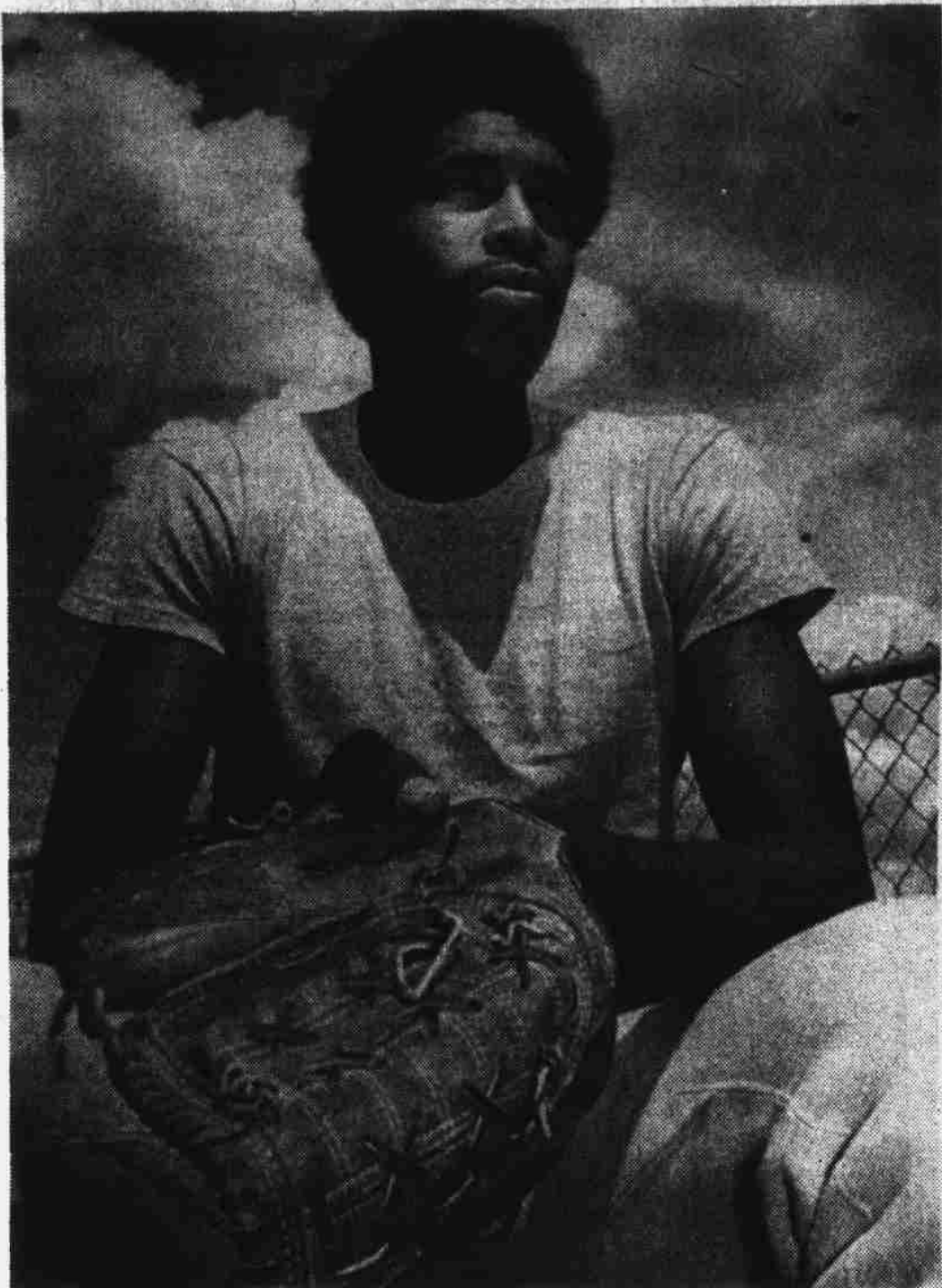
BCDI-SP works in five southern states including North Carolina. The major thrust of the group is to help community people, child care center operators, parents and teachers to organize into state federations which they believe can become viable advocacy groups for improving the quality of education for young Black children.

The "Old Timers" are composed primarily of a bevy of local baseballers, some formerly in the minor leagues, who love the sport. Such



TWINS-TIGERS - BLOOMINGTON, MINN. - Twins' 2nd baseman Rod Carew leaps over the sliding Tigers' Gates Brown (26) as he relays the ball to 1st base to get Tigers' Willie Horton (not shown) for a double play during the 1st inning of the Minnesota-Detroit game 6/3.

natives as James Alston and Herman Taylor will be participating. Game time is 2 p. m.



MINNEAPOLIS - Pitcher Dave Winfield, a 6 foot 6, all-around athlete from the University of Minnesota, was picked fourth 6/5 by the San Diego Padres in the 1st round

of Major League Baseball's summer free agent draft. Winfield, a right handed pitcher, already has been drafted by the Minnesota Vikings of the National

Football League, the Atlanta Hawks of the National Basketball Association and the Utah Stars of the American Basketball Association.

Eastern Seaboard Coaches Meet; Prexy is Named

GREENSBORO - Nineteen football coaches from the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference and the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association met in Greensboro, June 8-9, to discuss items of mutual interest.

In its second year of organization, the Eastern Seaboard Coaches Association members elected A & T's head football coach, Hornsby Howell, as their president. Coach John Marshall of Livingston was selected vice-president.

Beginning in 1973 the CIAA and MEAC coaches will sponsor a banquet for members of the two league's all-conference teams. At that time a "Coach of the Year" will be chosen from both conferences.

The coaches, who will meet in the Gate City again on August 11-12, passed a resolution calling for the honoring of football "letters of

intent" signed by athletes at the MEAC and CIAA institutions.

"We're trying to exchange ideas", said President Howell. "Honoring the 'letter of intent' to play at an institution is spelled out in both conferences' bylaws", he said, "but in the past some coaches just ignored this fact".

After a meeting and social on Friday night, the grid coaches held a breakfast Saturday morning along with a final meeting during which DeWayne Jeter of Virginia State was elected secretary of the group and Tillman Sease of Howard University was chosen treasurer.

Eddie McGirt, Johnson C. Smith coach, will serve as president of the Constitution Committee while Elizabeth City's Tom Caldwell will chair the Program Committee.

The Eastern Seaboard Coaches Association is open to membership from football

coaches in the seven team MEAC and the 12 team CIAA. Coaches from Cheney State College and Federal City College also hold membership.

While the task of recruiting

at Madison Square Garden June 6. He beats out fellow grid stars Richmond Flowers (left) and Rocky Thompson



NEW YORK - Bob Hayes (center) of the Dallas Cowboys heads into the tape to win the King of the Hill 40-yard dash

(right) of the New York Giants. It was part of the International Track Association professional tour.

Durham To Host Southeastern Open Tennis Championships

Durham will again host the Southeastern Open Tennis Championships this year. The North Carolina Central tennis courts will be the site this season for the 53rd annual net tournament which will be held July 4-8.

Entry blanks for the tournament may be obtained from Edward Boyd at the Durham Recreation Department of W. L. Cook at 2011 Otis Street. Deadline for entering the tournament is July 3.

The net tournament is sponsored by the North Carolina State Tennis Association and sanctioned by the American Tennis Association.

Champions will be crowned in seven divisions this year. The classes are men's singles, women's singles, senior men's singles, women's doubles, senior men's doubles, men's doubles and mixed doubles.

Defending champions for the tournament are Bob Andrews in the men's singles, Bill Griffith in the senior men's singles, Mack Allen and L. K. Heath in the senior men's doubles, Liz Wagner in the women's singles, Wagner and Georgia Buechley in the women's doubles, Alan Kay and Georgia Buechley in the mixed doubles and Andy Skikle and Eric Reich in the men's doubles.

Carl Easterling, former head basketball and tennis coach at Hillside High School, will serve as director for the tournament. Other tournament officials will

be N. T. Garrett, J. H. Wheeler, Robert Boyce, Dr. J. W. Younge, A. W. Williams, H. M. Michaux, Jr., A. E. Spears, Jr., George W. Cox, Jr., Dr. C. L. Patterson, Dr. C. L. Hunt, Mrs. Grace C. Massey and Harry Edmonds.



KANSAS CITY ROYALS-RED SOX-BOSTON Royals' slugger John Mayberry stands a little too deep in the batters box for

umpire Larry Barnett who uses Mayberry's bat to show him where to stand, during 1st inning of Bosox-Royals game,

(6/4). Mayberry leads the major leagues in RBI's with 52 runs batted in. Boston won game, 9-3.

Teen Times

by Lisa Bernadette

It's undeniably true! 1973 marks the ninth anniversary of Beatle-mania. You know the group, even if you don't quite remember the year they revolutionized the music world (and then some) with their smash hit "I Want To Hold Your Hand". Well, they're no longer a group, but rather four extremely talented individual musicians. John Lennon, Paul McCartney, George Harrison and Ringo Starr continue to entertain music lovers the world over with unforgettable hit tunes.

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Free Bats And Baseballs To Little Leagues

KANSAS CITY, MO. - Kansas City Royals' John Mayberry shows his mighty swing in an early 1973 game with Texas (file photo). Through May 29, Mayberry led the major leagues with 48 runs batted in and was tied for the major league lead with 13 homers. In 1972, Mayberry drove in 100 runs with 25 homers.

PHILADELPHIA - A major consumer packaged goods promotion that will benefit Little League baseball teams across the country has been announced here.

Up to \$300,000 worth of official baseballs and bats will be distributed to officially chartered Little Leagues through a Scott Paper Company promotion.

Through July, collection of Seals of Quality from five of Scott's packaged production division products will earn up to five cents in value toward the baseballs and bats.

League efforts to collect Seals of Quality will be coordinated; however, individual consumers are urged to participate as well.

Distribution of baseballs and bats will be made on a prorated basis and will be handled entirely from Little League headquarters in Williamsport, Pa., to authorized Little Leagues.

This arrangement with Scott marks the first time in



the 34 year history of Little League that it has agreed to become partners with a major company.

Little League has more than 6,000 leagues throughout the United States with over one million youngsters participating in 50,000 teams.

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