

Howard Building A Championship In '82

WASHINGTON — The return of an experienced offensive line, a fortified defense, and depth at every position have marked the 88th football season at Howard University as one of great optimism.

Howard will open its 11-game season against the University of Maine in Orono, on September 4.

"I think that we are more respected as a team now," said head coach Floyd Keith, who enters his fourth season. "People are aware that Howard plays very competitive football. We also are getting known nationally."

Keith has brought winning ways back to Howard. In three seasons, he has compiled a 17-12-2 overall mark. Howard finished both the 1981 and 1982 seasons with winning records, a feat unmatched since the 1974-75 seasons.

However, in its 11 years as a member of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, Howard has never captured the championship, and has finished second only once, in 1974. But, things could be different this season.

The Bison have 19 of 22 starters returning, and a total of 36 lettermen. There is experience at every position. Keith also has what he terms "the best coaching staff I ever assembled."

"There is no question that we have a good solid

coaching staff," noted Keith. "The guys have put the hours in, and they are willing to work. Plus, they are very knowledgeable in every phase of the game."

Keith can also be pleased with his key returnees, namely Tracy Singleton, John Bilberry and Sandy Nichols on offense, and Martin Brown, Doug Jones and Jeff Wise on defense.

"We are very confident about ourselves," said quarterback Nichols. "There are a lot of experienced people around me, and we have tremendous respect for each other."

Nichols, a sure team leader, had a good season in 1981. The 6-1, 195-pound junior led the conference in total offense last year, averaging more than 135 yards per

contest. He also passed for 1,160 yards and six touchdowns, while rushing for 233 yards and four touchdowns.

The offensive line is keyed by two-time first team all-conference guard Bilberry. He has excellent strength and is regarded as one of the best offensive linemen to play at Howard.

"The talent is so much better now, and everybody is willing to work," said Bilberry, who will start for the fourth straight season. "We can taste that championship."

Split end Tracy Singleton has to be the brightest of the bright spots for the team this season. Singleton was selected honorable mention All-American by *Sporting News* and *Football News*. The 6-2,

196-pound game breaker has excellent hands and runs good routes. Singleton caught 44 passes for 1,087 yards and three touchdowns last season. He holds the school record for most yardage in a single season. He holds the school record for most receptions in one game (nine).

Offensively, the Bison will be strong, but that's not new. In the two preceding seasons, Howard has had the most valuable offensive performers in the conference (Ronald Wilson 1980 and Tracy Singleton 1981).

"Last season, the offense controlled the tempo of the game," said linebacker Robert Sellers, who started as a

freshman last season. "This year is going to be the year of the defense." Sellers and fellow linebacker Martin Brown collected over 200 tackles in 1981, and were big play stoppers in many crucial situations.

"In the past, we did just enough to get by. This year, we are going to be the best," said defensive back Jones. Jones is a three-year starter and an all-conference selection in 1980. "Those records of 6-2-2 and 6-4 were not cutting it. The defense is going to work harder to be the best."

Jones has consistently been a leader in tackles for the Bison. In 1981, he collected 31, and he had 46 the previous year. Another veteran who can feel the difference in this year's team is third-

year linebacker Matt Jordan.

"The team is now ready for a championship season," said Jordan. "The summer training was the key, and the hard work in the classroom."

The classroom commitment really paid off. For the first time in several years, 23 football players recorded over 2.5 averages.

"The change has to start in the classroom," said defensive end Jeff Wise. "We got ourselves together and decided that next season starts the year before. After the academics are secure, football will come a lot easier. But, there is nothing easy about the way that we are being worked."

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FSU Football

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State University. The contest between the Broncos and the Morris Brown College Wolverines is a non-conference clash but a lot of pride is on the line. "Certainly I want to win against my former school," the Bronco coach related. "My kids have worked hard in preparation for the game with Morris Brown and we will be ready to play."

Immediately following the contest with the Wolverines, the Broncos take on CIAA foe St. Paul's College at Lawrenceville, Virginia September 11. There is no let up in the conference schedule for the Bronco-men who play another Virginia team in the CIAA, Norfolk State University, September 18. Both contests are on the road.

"I'm really not looking ahead and will play just one game at a time," said Coach Head pausing during a recent workout of his team. "We know it is going to be tough playing the first three games on the road but I feel that my staff will prepare our athletes for the grueling schedule."

The Broncos open their homestand October 2 by hosting the 1982 southern division champions North Carolina Central University.

The Broncos defeated St. Paul's last year 16-6, lost 26-7 to Norfolk State, and dropped a 40-14 decision to North Carolina Central.

FSU and Morris Brown College will be playing for the first time.

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Water And Sewer Rates Costly

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fund where the bulk of the city's tax revenues are spent. For example, about 20 per cent of the city manager's annual budget is paid from water and sewer receipts.

Additionally, a portion of the salary of every city employee who works on the water account, from clerical help to the affirmative action officer, is paid from the water account.

"If we completely eliminated what the water and sewer fund pays the general fund in direct or indirect services," Pedersen says, "we would have to raise the property tax rate by eight cents."

This begins to explain the Catch-22 situation the city finds itself in regarding water costs. It is high in order to help relieve the property tax rate, but no one knows what impact water rates have on the other end of the spectrum; in other

words, how many businesses and/or residents don't come to Durham because water costs so much.

Consider. In Durham, 800 cubic feet of water, or 5984 gallons, the amount estimated to be used each month by the average household, costs you about \$14.80. This does not include the monthly service charge of \$2.98. County residents pay double this for the same amount of water.

But in Fayetteville, for example, that same amount of water will cost only \$5.20. In Winston-Salem it costs \$5.52, and in Greensboro, it's \$8.64. In Raleigh, the same amount of water costs \$11.92, and \$13.28 in Wilmington.

And if that's not enough, Durham water customers who use less than 3,300 cubic feet of water subsidize the water

costs of large water users, such as commercial and industrial establishments. About 40% of the city's residential users use less than 3,300 gallons.

This occurs because Durham operates on a six-step sliding scale rate, which means the more water you use, the cheaper it is per cubic foot. Thus, the large volume users are not paying the full cost of delivering the water to them. The difference is paid by those smaller users at the top of the scale.

"There is some degree of subsidy," Pederson said, "but it is generally understood that this sliding scale approach encourages growth and development."

The theory goes this way: any major business or industry will appreciate the volume use discount to paying the water bill, and therefore will be anxious to locate in such an area.

But then the city officials turn right around and contradict that theory by noting that one other contributing factor to the high water bills is the city's low tax base (amount of taxable property.)

And so the city finds itself backed against a towering wall of water in

a sense. City officials must find a way to hold the line on water costs, but at the same time, they must find ways to improve the tax base.

Meanwhile, both newcomers and longtime residents will continue to check meters and look for leaks, all to no avail as the cost of water continues claiming its own, and much of yours as well, each month.

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This 17th day of August, 1982.

J. I. Bolden, Executor
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