



Tiny Grayhound running back Dwight "Chipper" Phillips shows his outstanding moves in a recent Pop Warner football game (photo by James Parker).

**Local Sports**

**Indians ready for showdown**

The Tiny Indians travel to meet the Vikings in the biggest Pop Warner encounter of the season Saturday.

The Mitey Mite squads get things started at 1 p.m. at Mineral Spring Middle School field, but theirs won't be the only crucial matchup.

All of Saturday's games are meaningful in the Northwest Youth Football League standings, perhaps none more so than the Junior Pee Wee contest. In that age group, both the Indians and Vikings are 6-0 overall and 3-0 in the National Conference. This is the next-to-last week of the regular season.

Almost the same thing can be said of the Pee Wee race. Both the Indians and Vikings are 3-0 in the conference and 5-1 overall.

In several cases, former Indians will be playing for the Vikings. Three of the standouts on the Viking Pee Wees were Indians last year; they are **Quinton Horn** and **Darren** and **David Hart**.

The Junior Midget game also is critical to the division championship. The Vikings are 3-0, while the Indians are 2-1.

"It always comes down to this game for the championship," said Viking Coach **Eddie Beard**, winner of three consecutive Sertoma Bowls. "It's more like a war than a football game."

Beard's teams have only lost two games in three years. This season, his defensive unit has allowed only 14 points in six games. The Indians have allowed 26 points in as many games.

The Vikings are led by **LaCarl Walker**, **Robert Bohannon** and

**Cleo Hyman.**

In the Mitey Mites age group, the Vikings are 5-0 while the Indians are 3-0-1. An Indian victory would give them the championship, since the Tiny Indians host Walkertown the following week. Walkertown does not have a Mitey Mite team.

The Tiny Indian Mitey Mites run a single-wing (no-quarterback) offense.

"**Curtis Lipscomb** is our No. 1 back," said Coach **Bobby Giles**. "He's very versatile. He has good speed and good size."

Giles also cited the play of **Brian Mack**, **James Nelson**, **William Butler** and **Donavon Blair**. Mack has scored seven touchdowns this season.

"The Vikings are a big club and well-disciplined," Giles added. "I expect a tough game, but we expect to win. We'll need a good team effort."

The Tiny Indian Midgets have a one-game lead over the Vikings and Packers.

**Phillip Warren** is coming off a three-touchdown effort in a 36-0 win at Ardmore. Teammate **Shane Allen** also scored. His TD came on an 85-yard run.

"I expect it to be a hard-hitting ballgame and may the best team win," said Tiny Indian Coach **Tom Brown**.

**GRA-Y Football**

The Hall-Woodward Jets improved to 6-0 with a 12-2 win over Winston Lake in GRA-Y Football League action last Saturday.

The Jets conclude the regular season against Belview Saturday at 10:30 a.m. Game is at Winston Lake.

**NBA Exhibition**

The best in basketball comes to the Greensboro Coliseum Sunday afternoon.

**Michael Jordan** and **Charles Oakley** will lead the Chicago Bulls against the Milwaukee Bucks in a National Basketball Association exhibition game. Game time is 5 o'clock.

Jordan was the NBA Rookie of the Year last season, amassing some awesome statistics: 28.2 scoring average, 534 rebounds, 481 assists and 196 steals.

Meanwhile, the 6-foot-9, 240-pound Oakley, the black college Player of the Year out of Virginia Union, should give Jordan more freedom to operate. This exhibition might offer a clue as to how much freedom given the presence of the new big forward.

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because the Winston-Salem school offered him a better financial aid package.

"Wake Forest is a good, rising program," he noted. "The Atlantic Coast Conference is a very competitive league. I also think the school and program go well together."

But his college athletic career hasn't quite gone the way he'd prefer.

"I think it's been a personal disappointment," he said, "because I really haven't reached my potential. It's been an up-and-down thing. Maybe I can put it all together next year."

The 5-foot-4 forward was the Deacons' third-leading scorer as a freshman and sophomore. This season, he has played sporadically because of a quadriceps injury. He has seen action in only three games and has four shots on goal.

So Gilkes is turning his attention to off-the-field matters. He will return home Christmas, shopping for something more than gifts for his friends and family; namely, a job for when he graduates next year.

"I haven't been home in three

years," he said. "I don't know what's going on. I'll have to see what sort of jobs are available. I'll be looking seriously."

Under federal law, Gilkes' student visa terminates when he finishes at Wake Forest, so he will have to return to St. Lucia.

"I wouldn't mind staying here," he said. "Right now, I can't say what will happen. But if I could, I think I'll be back home."

A business major, the 21-year-old Gilkes could be readmitted to this country if he gained employment with an American company overseas.

"There are four or five ways to get back," he said. "Another way is to wait two years and re-apply."

Until that time comes, Gilkes will concentrate on studying and soccer. He'll also take time out to watch the Deacon basketball team.

"I played basketball in junior high," he said. "It was a lot of fun. Now I like being a spectator. My favorite game was when we beat DePaul in the NCAA Tournament two years ago."

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**Canadian Football**

Everything about football—Canadian style encourages nonstop action and excitement. The Canadian Football League (CFL) was established on January 17, 1958. The 110 x 65 yards playing field supports a wide open game, while the three downs allowed to the offense discourages boring quarterback handoffs to running backs. Penalties are imposed for failure to run back punts and kickoffs. And kickers can recover their own kicks once the ball crosses the line of scrimmage.

**Black Presence**

Black football players have always been welcomed in Canada. It is widely believed that Russ Gideon (1929) was the first Black to play football in Canada. During the post World War II era the late Herb Trawick, who played college football at Kentucky State University, led an army of Black players to Canada. Trawick, considered one of the greatest linemen in the history of the CFL, was inducted into the Canadian Football Hall of Fame on June 28th, 1975.

**Black Quarterback Heaven**

Sandy Stephens (Minnesota) was one of the first great quarterbacks to journey North seeking glory. Conredge Holloway of the Toronto Argonauts has been an honored player in the league for over 10 years. Warren Moon left the Edmonton Eskimos after a record setting six-year career that saw him receive the 1983 CFL Most Outstanding Player Award.

**The Past and Present**

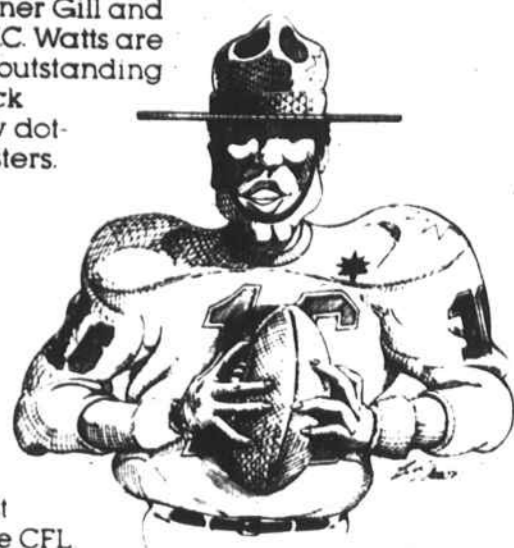
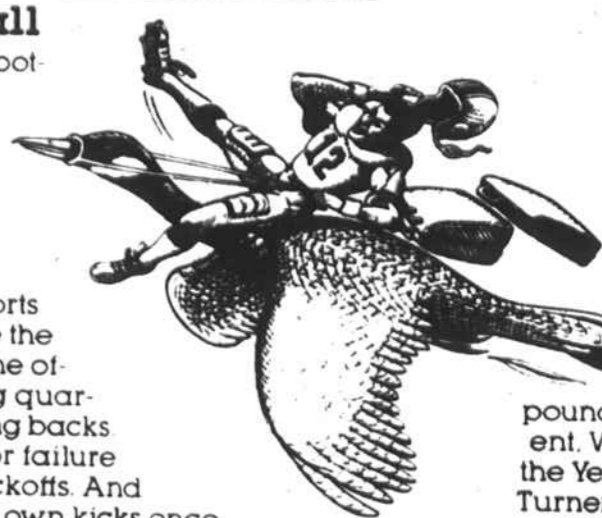
One of the greatest players in the history of the CFL was Cookie Gilchrist. In 1959 and 1960 he led the CFL in scoring while a member of the Toronto Argonauts. The flamboyant Gilchrist was not only a remarkable running back, but also a fearsome 250 pound linebacker on defense. At present, Willard Reaves (the 1983 Rookie of the Year and Schenley Award Winner), Turner Gill and J.C. Watts are

among the outstanding class of Black players now dotting CFL rosters.

**Lite Trivia**

Name the Black college football conference with the most players in the CFL.

Answer: At least count the Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) has over 25 players in the CFL. Texas Southern and Grambling along with Jackson State have been the leading producers.



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