

Sports Beat

BY BILL JOHNSON



KICKING THE FACTS AROUND.....

Have you been wondering about the origin of the expression "Hurrah For Our Side?"...It was first uttered by men in the crowds lining the right side of the street when Lady Godiva made her famous ride, side-saddle through the streets of Coventry.

Commissioner Bob Moorman has upheld the disputed 14-13 football victory Fayetteville State scored over Shaw three weeks ago. Shaw officials protested the triumph following a controversial play that allegedly came after the final whistle had blown.

Have you ever seen a better series than last week's American and National Leagues Play-offs? Or a better, more exciting football contest than the Alabama-Southern California struggle of last Saturday?

Don't believe the rumor that the American whiskey market is showing decline. It seems to be doing very well in my neighborhood!

North Carolina A&T expects more than 20,000 alumni and friends to participate in their annual homecoming celebration in Greensboro this weekend...

For what it's worth Earnest "Warhorse" Williams has my bid for a well-deserved berth with any and all the All-America football teams selected later this year. The flashy junior's extra-ordinary talent should take him all the way to the NFL...

Wonder why I haven't heard from ole buddy "Scoop" Henderson, the able public relations director down at Fayetteville State?

Quarterback Russ Seaton of Hampton is having a super year. The gifted senior has completed 46 of 102 passes for 528 yards, including nine touchdowns. He's been intercepted only five times.

Did you know that Sherwood Rankin is a sophomore nose guard at Hampton Institute?... Word from the campus at UNCC are that the

school's basketball season ticket sales are going "extremely well" UNCC officials are also excited about their women's golf team and the women's volleyball team.

If Karate is your thing, you will enjoy a visit to the Park Center Saturday night for the National Karate Association's Professional Full-Contact Karate event. It will feature the super light weight of the world, Tony Lopez against Dave Sirota, who's from New Jersey.

The ole crystal ball suffered a mild let down last week with 8 winners and 2 losers in 10 picks. Fayetteville State and North Carolina A&T gave the crystal ball a black eye with big upsets, leaving our accuracy rating at 27 right and six wrong for the season.

We're going out on the limb again this week in selecting Elizabeth City to whip Fort Bragg. As we see it, Winston-Salem will continue to roll, with an easy victory over Fayetteville State and Livingstone will deal further embarrassment to Johnson C. Smith's losing skein. Hampton will get by Norfolk State and Virginia State will defeat Howard. N.C. Central will make their homecoming fans happy with a triumph over Delaware State and A&T should encounter no trouble in defeating Maryland-Eastern Shore... S.C. State will edge Morgan State in that big one down at Orangeburg.

MEAC Football Roundup

S. C. State Faces Morgan In MEAC Showdown Game

By Earl Mason
Special To The Post

DURHAM -- Number one ranked South Carolina State warmed up for its showdown match with Morgan State by whipping winless Johnson C. Smith 47-6 Saturday night in Charlotte. Morgan State kept pace with a hardearned 14-0 victory over state-rival Maryland-Eastern Shore to highlight a full schedule in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference last week.

S.C. State increased its overall record to 5-0 with its victory over Johnson C. Smith as Rickey Anderson scored three touchdowns. Morgan State lifted its MEAC record to 2-0 and its overall mark to 3-1 with the decision over UMES.

S.C. State (3-0, 5-0) and Morgan State (2-0, 3-1) will meet Saturday afternoon in Orangeburg, S.C. at 2 p.m. in a showdown clash.

The survivor of this contest will have the inside track in winning the 1977 MEAC grid championship and the right to represent the conference in the Gold Bowl December 3 in Richmond, Va. against the champion of the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association

(CIAA). In other action involving MEAC teams Delaware State won its third straight game blanking Howard, 18-0 while NC A&T turned back Norfolk State, 21-14. In another non-conference tussle Elon romped to a 50-8 win over North Carolina Central.

Anderson, who rushed for 220 yards in 10 carries, scored touchdowns on runs of 43, 84 and 53 yards to trigger the Bulldog offense against J.C. Smith. The Bulldogs jumped off to a 27-6 halftime lead and coasted to the win.

Anderson got the Bulldogs on the scoreboard in the initial period when he raced 43 yards to paydirt. Later in the period Jackie Reed cracked over from five-yards out and quarterback Nat Rivers galloped 52 yards. Malcolm Montgomery missed his extra point attempt this season following Reed's score and the Bulldogs led, 20-0 at the end of the first 15 minutes.

Midway the second stanza, Anderson electrified the small crowd when he raced 84 yards to paydirt. J.C. Smith got on the scoreboard before intermission when Ernest Williams plunged over from the one to cut the intermission score to



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27-6.

Anderson took up where he left off in the third quarter when he romped 53 yards to paydirt for the Bulldog's only third period score. In the final 15 minutes the Bulldogs got two more TDs. Defensive end William Parker recovered a fumble in the end zone and Rivers sneaked over from the one-yard line. Montgomery missed the PAT from placement after River's TD.

Morgan State scored touchdowns in the first and second quarters and played a stout defense in the second half

against Maryland-Eastern Shore. Lloyd McCleave, who rushed for 150 yards in 29 carries, scored on a 13-yard run in the first quarter. Raymond Wright booted the conversion to give Morgan State a 7-0 lead after the first period. In the second stanza, the Bears' Andre Wickham fell on a loose UMES football at the visitors' nine yard line. Three plays later Allen Rose hit tight end Ron Williams with a seven-yard score. Again Wright converted to give Morgan a 14-0 halftime lead.

The evenly matched contest was scoreless in the second half with UMES missing several scoring opportunities. Morgan State rushed for 186 yards while the Hawks got 123 yards on the ground. In the passing department the Bears completed eight of 18 passes for 97 yards while UMES completed 12 of 32 aeriels for 133 yards. Both teams had three interceptions.

Delaware State's Cornell Hamilton blocked a punt which went out of the endzone and triggered a Delaware State offense. Beamon took a pitch-out and raced 33 yards early in

the third period to give Delaware State an 8-0 third quarter lead. In the final period Anderson Johnson kicked a 47-yard field goal to give the Hornets a 11-10 lead.

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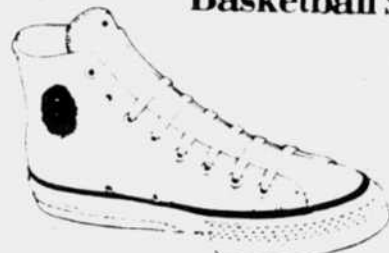
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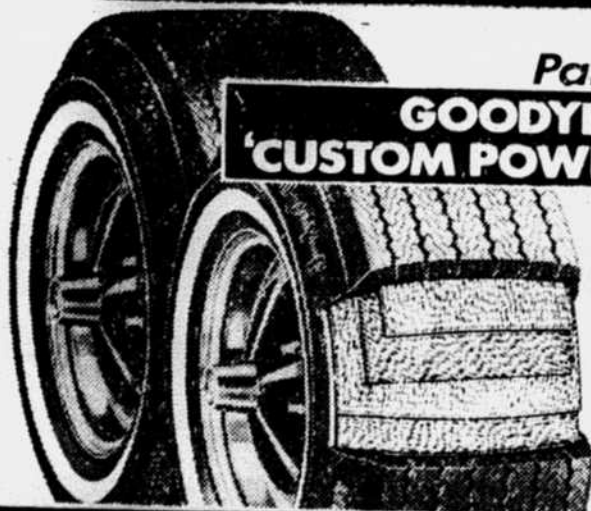
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