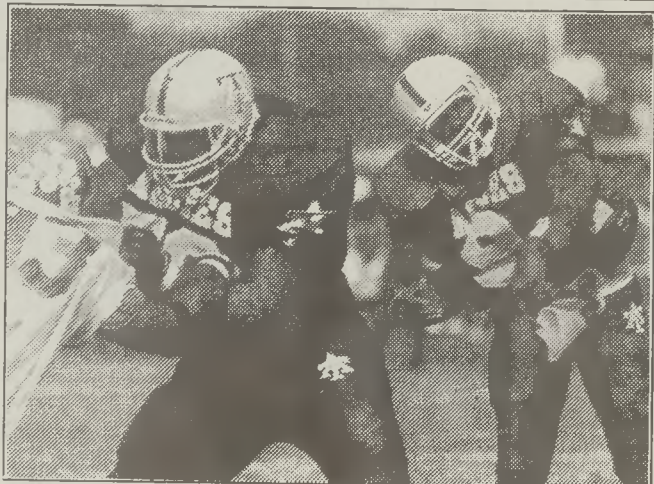


SPORTS



PHOTO/DAVE NASH

N.C. A&T tackle Jamain Stephens was named to the Sheridan Broadcasting All-America team.

Huntley, Hicks, Stephens named All-Americans

By Herbert L. White
THE CHARLOTTE POST

Winston-Salem State running back Richard Huntley is adding more awards to his collection.

The Monroe native was named to the Sheridan Broadcasting Network black college All-America team and offensive player of the year after a record-setting senior season. The 6-3, 218-pounder led the CIAA in rushing for the fourth straight year in setting a new league mark and came within 35 yards of setting the NCAA career record for all

divisions. Huntley was joined in the offensive backfield by S.C. State's Michael Hicks, a 6-1, 195-pound senior who led the MEAC in rushing and Norfolk State quarterback Aaron Sparrow, who led the CIAA in passing. Hicks, the MEAC's offensive player of the year, ran for 1,299 yards to lead the league for the third straight season.



Stephens

He finished his career with 4,035 yards in three years, 87 short of the league record set by Howard's Harvey Reed in four seasons.

Other Carolinas players named to the All-America squad include offensive linemen Jamain Stephens of N.C. A&T and S.C. State's Raleigh Roundtree. Stephens, a 6-7, 320-pound senior tackle, graduated as the best senior lineman in the nation by a scouting combine, enhancing his prospects in April's NFL draft. Roundtree, a 6-5, 285-pound junior tackle, helped pave the way for an average of nearly

400 yards of total offense per game. He earned all-MEAC honors for the second straight season.

Nine MEAC players made the Sheridan team, with five on defense. Florida A&M line-backer Earl Holmes was named defensive player of the year; linemen Hugh Hunter of Hampton and FAMU's Reggie Lee; Hampton linebacker Kevin Williams and Bethune-Cookman safety Willie Ogelsby.

The SWAC produced eight All-Americans, while the CIAA had four and the SIAC

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This Bull charges

Evans makes a statement for JCSU

By Herbert L. White
THE CHARLOTTE POST

Ahmed Evans isn't going to lead Johnson C. Smith to the top of the CIAA this year.

But he's working on getting there at some point.

The freshman forward has emerged as an emotional force on a Golden Bulls team struggling to establish an identity. Evans' scoring has improved and tossed in a career-best 23 points Saturday in Smith's 77-66 win over Bowie State. The soft-spoken Evans has become a leader by example, Smith coach Steve Joyner said.

"Right now, Evans is the most emotionally comfortable player on the court," he said. "I think he's able to take constructive criticism from his coaches and players, he's not worried about mistakes and things like that."

Evans has been making fewer errors of late. He knocked down 11 of 15 shots against Bowie State and hauled down a career-best 12 rebounds. Nineteen points came after halftime, as he supplemented leading scorer Melvin Abrams in Smith's comeback.

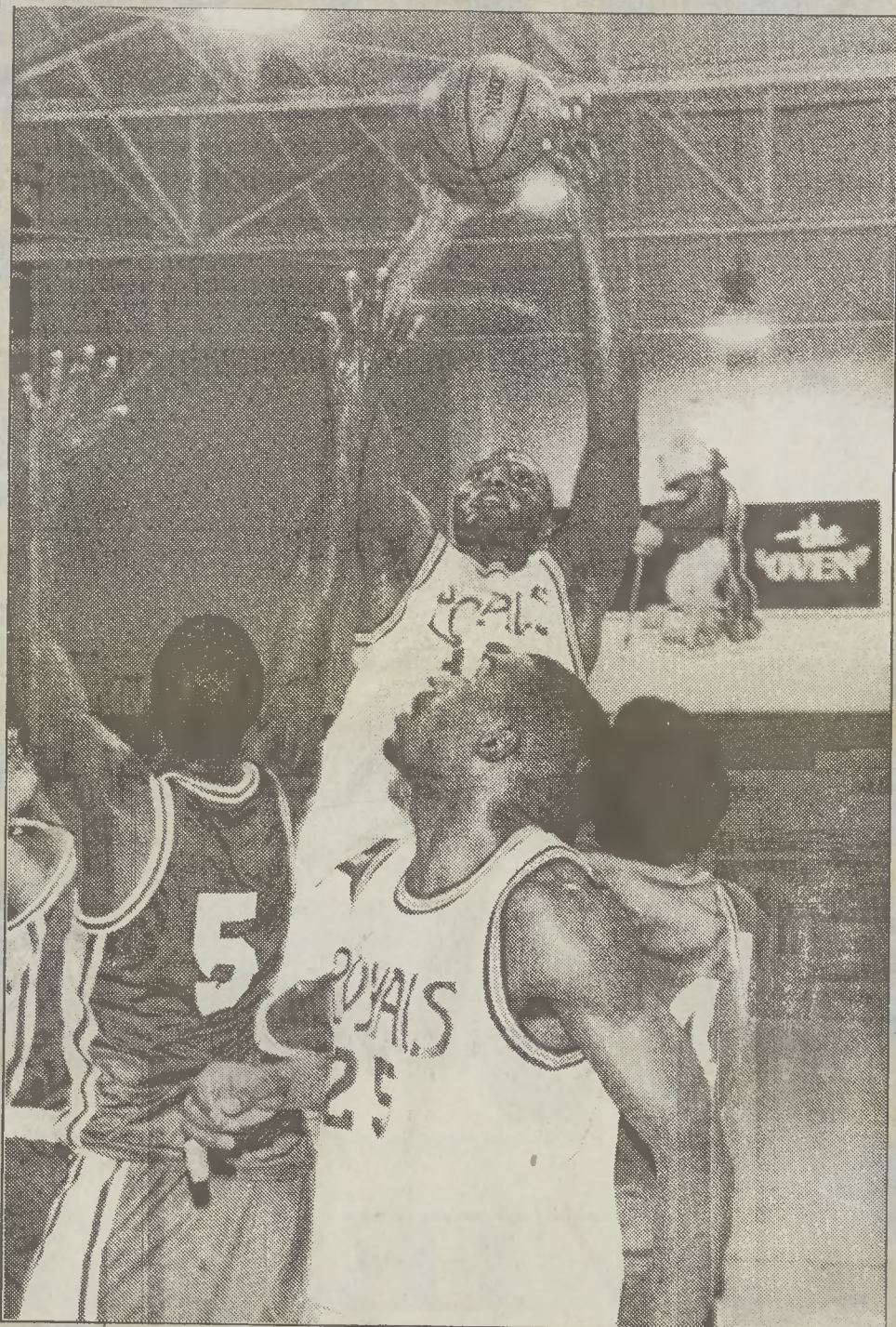
"I was feeling a rhythm," Evans said. "I was kind of tired, but I had to pick it up. With Melvin kind of in a slump, I knew somebody had to pick it up, and I knew it had to be me."

Evans, one of five freshmen on the Bulls' 11-player roster, is the heir apparent to Shawn Jackson at small forward. Although Evans hasn't shown Jackson's leaping ability or three-point range, his steady improvement has made him an important cog in Smith's rebuilding season.

"You work on each component, each piece, each part," Joyner said. "There's been some significant focus on Ahmed at the (small forward) position in things we need him to do. We felt that if he did those things, he would score a little more for us."

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ROYAL TREATMENT



PHOTO/CALVIN FERGUSON

DeWayne Ansley (shooting) and Yogi Leo (25) are two reasons why Queens is 12-1 and ranked No. 12 among Division II teams.

Leo and Ansley lead Queens resurgence

By Karl Petraroja
FOR THE CHARLOTTE POST

This is where DeWayne Ansley and Yogi Leo want to be.

Their Queens Royals are off to a 12-1 start and are ranked 12th in the nation and second in the South Atlantic region behind Virginia Union.

"We all know what we have

to do when we get out on the court and that's chemistry," Ansley said. "We've played together for two or three years, we all know what each other can do." This is a nice little situation we have right now and we expected it coming into this year.

Leo agrees the great start was not unexpected.

"From the beginning of the season, there was this

chemistry, that unity within the team, so I'm not surprised at all," he said.

The Royals barely missed the playoffs last year, finishing 17-10 but this year's quick start has everyone thinking about accepting the school's first tournament bid.

"It's probably the best

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Return to Super Bowl has Dallas rejoicing trip

By Denne H. Freeman
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IRVING, Texas — So much for the suggestion that quarterback Troy Aikman and coach Barry Switzer don't get along.

Aikman gave Switzer the game ball from Sunday's 38-27 NFC title win over the Green Bay Packers.

"I had the ball on the last play of the game, but I don't keep souvenirs," he said. "I thought about giving the ball to my niece for a minute. Then I decided I'd give it to coach Switzer. He didn't know what to say."

Aikman reportedly was unhappy with Switzer's coaching, but said, "Barry and I get along fine. His coaching style is unique, but it's working for him."

He also gave a little more insight into what went on behind closed doors immediately after the game.

"We gave (offensive coordinator) Ernie Zampese a Gatorade bath," Aikman said. "The greatest thing about getting to the Super Bowl is that Ernie is going. It was his fifth NFC championship game, and he had never been to the Super Bowl. Now he is going. And boy, was he excited."

The Cowboys, who earned their third trip to the championship game in four years, say this may be their best Super Bowl trip of the 1990s.

Fullback Daryl Johnston, who provided the blocking for most of Emmitt Smith's 150 yards rushing and three touchdowns, said it



Smith

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Steelers stay on course for championship

By Alan Robinson
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PITTSBURGH — Players gave TV interviews in hallways, and a baker hauled in a 500-pound victory cake. Staff members scurried to make Super Bowl reservations. Everyone took turns hefting the AFC championship trophy.

The Pittsburgh Steelers were getting ready to play the Dallas Cowboys again in the Super Bowl, so nearly everyone wore a smile. But down the hall in coach Bill Cowher's office, the only diversion from the normal weekly schedule was a Monday news conference.

Yes, the Steelers are going to the Super Bowl again, 16 years after the dynasty of the '70s completed its work in January 1980. But, no, Cowher said, the Steelers don't plan on doing anything differently the next two weeks — except to become the AFC's first Super Bowl champion in 12 years.

"This is not a bowl game, or a situation where we're going out (to

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With recent effort at guard, Childs might be the man for the Nets

By Tom Canavan
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — If Chris Childs continues to improve at the point guard, Kevin Edwards might not have a starting job when he's ready to come off the injured list.

The backcourt combination of Childs and Kenny Anderson combined for 40 points, 19 assists and six steals on Monday night as the struggling Nets posted their most lopsided win of the season, 108-83 over the Toronto Raptors.

"This is the first time in

almost two months where the ball wasn't on just one side of the court," Nets coach Butch Beard said after his team won for the fifth time in its last 17 games. "We swung the ball and had some good movement and had some easy shots. Overall, it was a good effort."

Childs, who had 17 points,

didn't hit any big jumpers, but his presence in the lineup gave the Nets' more speed than with Edwards, who was placed on the injured list Monday with tendinitis in his left knee.

"We're a different team with Chris Childs in there," said Anderson, who led the Nets with 23 points and 13 assists.

"We're quicker and his ball handling enables me to give up the basketball and do other things to help this team."

Anderson who was particularly effective in the early going, set up three baskets by Armon Gilliam in a 19-4 spurt that gave the Nets a 21-8 lead. "The Nets beat us up and

down the court," Raptors rookie point guard Damon Stoudamire said. "They played the way we wanted to. Kenny and Armon played well. I think the Nets are a better team when Chris Childs is starting."

Childs said the Nets' success

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