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Although this year's recruits possess the speed to pose a serious threat on opposing teams, Hayes said that he could not really rate them to other recruiting years. "It is difficult to measure whether you have done a good job of recruiting. Only after their four years of participation in the program can you say if you have done well." Hayes pointed to several factors off the grid-iron that determine what type of recruiting year you have.

"Once you sign a quality athlete, there are other things that affect them, Hayes asserted. "Academics, student life on campus and peer pressure are factors that weigh heavily on an athlete's success in our program," Hayes stated. "If the student-athlete can blend in with his surroundings and deal with being a college student, his chances of making a positive contribution are greatly enhanced."

There have been speculations that coach Hayes would scrap the veer offense, which has brought the Ram football program so much success in the past, for the power I. This was based on the assumption that the Ram offensive attack would be built around Byers, a punishing and durable runner who Hayes recruited as a tailback.

Hayes made it clear that he would not completely abandon the veer offense or use the I offense exclusively. "All I said as that we recruited Edward Byers as a tailback," Hayes said, "from that, members of the media assumed that we would go with the I offense." "I can't really say for now what we'll use," stated Hayes. "But I don't think we should throw out something that has been successful for us."



List of 1983 WSSU Signees

Anthony McNeil - 5'10"/170 lbs. - Dunn;
James Winfield - 5'11"/205 lbs. - Raleigh;
Charles Twitty - 6'4"/185 lbs. - Marion;
James Wheeley - 6'2"/260 lbs. - Reidsville;
Carlton High - 6'175 lbs. - Raleigh; Jerry
Maynard - 6'4"/290 lbs. - Reidsville;
Robert Hargrove - 6'1"/189 lbs. - Hender-
son; Edward Byers - 6'/205 lbs. - Winston-
Salem; John Templeton - 6'4"/260 lbs. -
Statesville; Rickey Davidson - 5'9"/175
lbs. - Statesville; Charles Moore - 6'/180
lbs. - Waynesville; Mark Wallace -
6'2"/196 lbs. - Waynesville; Barry Turner -
6'4"/247 - Statesville; Ronald Evans -
6'3"/225 lbs. - Raleigh; Anthony Kim-
brough - 6'1"/180 lbs. - Detroit, Michigan;
Darryl Hall - 6'2"/185 lbs. - Trenton, N.J.

Top Ten Teams Say New Grade Rules Wouldn't Hurt Them

(CPS) - The top college football and basketball teams in the country this year say they'd still be competing for national championships even if the NCAA's (National Collegiate Athletic Association) new, tougher academic standards for athletes had been in force this year.

College Press Service asked athletic directors and coaches of teams ranked in the final Top 10 Associated Press football poll and in the Top 10 of the AP basketball poll the last week of January, 1983 if a significant number of players would be ineligible under the new rules.

Some said the new rules, which set higher admission standards and require that athletes do well in certain language and science courses, wouldn't affect their standings at all.

Others say they would have affected them a little. The athletic director at a predominantly-black college says they're all lying.

Most major conferences are now surveying their member schools to see how many current athletes would be disqualified. Results so far are sketchy.

But the Big Eight's completed study said that 10 to 27 percent of its white athletes might have been disqualified, while 60 percent of its black athletes might not have the NCAA's standards.

That's a marked contrast to what athletic department officials at some of the Top Ten teams reported.

UCLA's Hobbs, for example, noted the new standards would have no effect on the basketball team "because we have no freshmen on the team, and the proposal only deals with freshmen."

"Everyone will be affected," flatly states Tom McCullough, a spokesman for the Southeastern Conference (SEC).

Some, however, will be affected more than others.

"The proposal would have no effect" on UCLA's basketball team, asserts UCLA faculty representative Douglas Hobbs.

The Memphis State, Virginia, Missouri and St. John's basketball lineups would also be unchanged, sources at those schools contend.

Indiana does "have an athlete on the basketball team who would not meet the requirements as written for the SATs (Scholastic Aptitude Test)," reports Anita House, an academic counselor for athletes.


"But SATs don't measure determinatin or self-discipline," she adds.

Indeed, most department spokespersons qualified their estimates of the rules' effects somehow.

Based on preliminary results of the SEC survey, for example, McCullough thinks "basketball will be affected more than football."

But football teams will be hurt.

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The NCAA's New Grade Rules

As of 1986, in order to compete in a NCAA Division I an athlete must:

- Have a 700 combined S.A.T. score or a 15 A.C.T. score
- Maintain a 2.0 G.P.A. in a series of math, English, social and physical science courses

Fred Hobby, assistant athletic director at Grambling, finds it all hard to believe. Hobby says he recruits against the top schools all over the country, and that if they wouldn't be affected by the new rules, "then we're getting the wrong academic information" on potential recruits.

"In Chicago, New Orleans, Miami, Atlanta, it's all the same," he says "In one section the schools are excellent, in other sections there are boards instead of doors."

The new rules "will affect Grambling," he readily concedes. "But I say it will also affect Alabama, the University of Georgia, Texas, and the Kentucky and the LSUs."

"The effects of the proposal will really depend on the individual school," NCAA spokesman Tom Yeager observes.

"Ivy League schools and schools like Northwestern will feel zero effects, but the other schools with open-door policies will be affected the most."

"Of all the Big Eight schools," observes Jean Cerra, assistant athletic director at the University of Missouri-Columbia, "I assume the proposal will have the least effect on us than on the others that have open admissions policies."

Thirty-seven percent of Missouri's black athletes would be ineligible to play intercollegiately under the new rules, according to the Big Eight survey.

It is on black athletes that the rules will fall most heavily, most critics seem to agree.

The new rules require an SAT score of 700 or an ACT (American College Testing) score of 15, but such standardized tests have long been criticized as culturally-biased toward white, middle-class students.

Many athletic directors seem to have joined thecritics. "I do think the SAT requirement has racial bias," Cerra says.

"The test is weighted against minorities, especially rural minorities," says Memphis State Athletic Director Charles Cavagnaro.

Advocates of the new rules seem to feel the losses may be worth it. "Someone has to tell the Ralph Sampsons right now how important it is to get a degree," says Virginia Athletic Director Dick Schultz.

At the NCAA January convention, which adopted the new rules, Penn State coach Joe Paterno asserted black athletes can compete on the SATs as successfully as the do on the field.

But Paterno's remarks drew a lot of flak, and now a Penn State athletic department spokesman says the rules are "too controversial" to comment upon.

Grambling's Hobby is sure the rules will change before they become effective in 1986 because "too many people are making a living and feeding their families on the black athlete for the NCAA to make the proposal stand as it is."

"There are three more conventions before the proposal goes into effect," agrees the NCAA's Yeager, "and a real possibility the test will be optional."

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