

ATHLETE OF THE MONTH



By Lestee Perry, Jr.

Lionel Urgan, the Eagle's sensational sprinter and broad jumper, by virtue of his outstanding performance at the prestigious Philadelphia Track Classic, the All Eastern Games, Big Seven Indoor Track Meet and the All Eastern Games, Big Seven Indoor Track Meet and the Triangular Track Meet—has been elected as Athlete of the Month for March.

At the Philadelphia Track Classic, Lionel and two other runners in the 50-yard dash, Monty Frazier of South Dakota State and the Army's Art Pollard, were timed at 5.4. This timing was good enough to earn Lionel a fifth place finish in the event.

In the mile relay, it was Lionel's speedy legs which enabled the Eagles to breeze to a 3:24.8 finish, first best in the section, and fourth best in the meet. Other teams in the Eagle's section were Fordham, Cornell, and American University.

In the All-Eastern Games at the Baltimore Civic Center, Lionel got a measure of revenge by beating Villanova's Eru Hall and Army's Don Pollard (both of whom beat him at Philadelphia) with a 6.2 clocking in the 60-yard dash.

In the mile relay, the Eagles finished second to Villanova, who set a meet record of 3:17.1. The Eagles' clocking was 3:20.2. With Lionel running a 50 seconds flat first leg, the Eagles led for two laps, but Villanova took the lead on a 47.8-second split and coasted in from there.

In the Big Seven Indoor Track Meet, Lionel copped two individual titles and led the Eagles' winning mile relay to enable the cindermen to finish second in the event to the University of North Carolina.

Lionel won the long jump with a leap of 22 feet 10 3/4 inches, 2 1/2 inches farther than Carolina's Gary Iverson, whose 22-8 1/4 was a personal indoor best.



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In the 60-yard dash, Lionel beat out teammate Floyd Williams, defending CIAA 100-yard dash champ, with a winning run of .06:2.

With Lionel running the first leg in the mile relay, the Eagles won easily over such schools as Duke, UNC, and Wake Forest, with a winning time of 3:25.8.

Eagle fans witnessing the Triangular Track Meet, (first meet held here since 1965) saw Lionel walk away with victories in the 100-yard dash with a clocking of 9.9 and the broad jump with a leap of 22 feet, 11 3/4 inches.

Lionel who hails from St. Thomas, Virgin Island, by way of New York has been selected as "Outstanding Performer", for two years in a row (1966 and 1967) in the Furman Invitational Track Meet.

As a product of The High School of Fashion Industries and a recipient of awards for shoe manufacturing and leather trades, Lionel states that he was persuaded to come to NCC by three of NCC's famed "Four Horsemen": Edwin Roberts, Norman Tate, and Amos Terrell.

The psychology and biology major plans to attend medical school after graduation and specialize in psychiatry.

SCOUTS LIKE BIG LEE

In February 29, the eight best basketball teams in the CIAA assembled for the twenty-fourth annual CIAA Tournament. Alfred Hitchcock could not have a more dramatic climax for one of the closest finishes in a decade. The number one seeded Norfolk State College team edged A&T State University for the championship in three overtimes.

Never before had there been such talent assembled in one year. There was no Earl Monroe, but almost every team presented its own super-star. Scouts from both pro leagues were on hand and they commented that they had never before seen such individual talent as was present in our conference this year.

Most of the scouts came to see A&T's big Ted Campbell, last year's most valuable player; William English, the man who scored 77 points in one game this year; "Hookshot" Grant, the

most valuable player three years ago; and Mike Davis, the second leading scorer in small colleges.

As the scouts left, a new name could be heard which received much praise. The name was our own, Lee Davis, who had played in only one game which the Eagles had lost on a last second shot by Butch Niles of Virginia Union. Lee Davis was also chosen on the all tournament team, the first time such a distinction had been awarded a player on a losing team in the first days of action.

Big Lee Davis had so dominated the play in one game in which he played that his potential was obviously apparent to any laymen. It was the consensus among the scouts that big Lee would easily be the first player drafted from our conference in next month's pro draft. Lee Davis didn't lead the CIAA in any statistical category,

Hustlers Are IAA Champions

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Led by the hot shooting of Julian Martin, the Hustlers pulled out a close, hard-fought 58-54 victory over the Sharks in the Second Annual Intramural Athletic Association Tournament, held March 9 in the 6500-seat McDougald Gymnasium.

The Sharks, leading the IAA in seven departments statistically, were favored to win the tournament. They led the Association in team offense with 349 total points in 6 games for a 58.1 per game average, won a game by the widest margin which was an 81-12 victory over the Invaders. In addition to their high scoring ability, the Sharks sport the best backcourt combination in the league. With sharpshooting of Terry Cole, averaging 12.8 points per game (third best in the IAA), and the superb passing ability of Walter Funderburk, with able assistance from Pete "Hondo" Quinn, this trio forms a backcourt combination which would be desirable even by Coach Brown's standards. Up front, the "Bruising Front Three" of Ben "Glue Man" Bullock, averaging 12.6 points per game (4th best in the IAA).

Russell "Hatchet" Price and Thomas "Stylist" Cameron would be the pride of any coach's heart.

Taking all these game winning elements and a first-place finish into the tournament, the combination of Martin, Holloway, and Spruill proved too much for the Sharks who were defending IAA tournament champions. Martin, "All IAA" selection and the league scoring champion for the second consecutive year with an average of 19.2 points per game, received the needed support in the form of rebounds and sheer hustle and drive from Robert Holloway and Robert Spruill to end the Sharks' domination of the IAA.

In balloting by the Intramural staff the following players were selected to the IAA All-Star Team:

First Team: Julian Martin, Frank Bullock, Terry Cole, Ronaldo Lawson, Ricardo Samuda.

Second Team: Robert Spruill, Joseph Barnes, Thomas Cameron, Ralph Ferrell, James Davis.

Honorable Mention: Watson, Trotters; Funderburk, Sharks; Smith, Groove Phi Groove; Thomas, Swamp Foxes; Enoch, Kappa Alpha Psi.

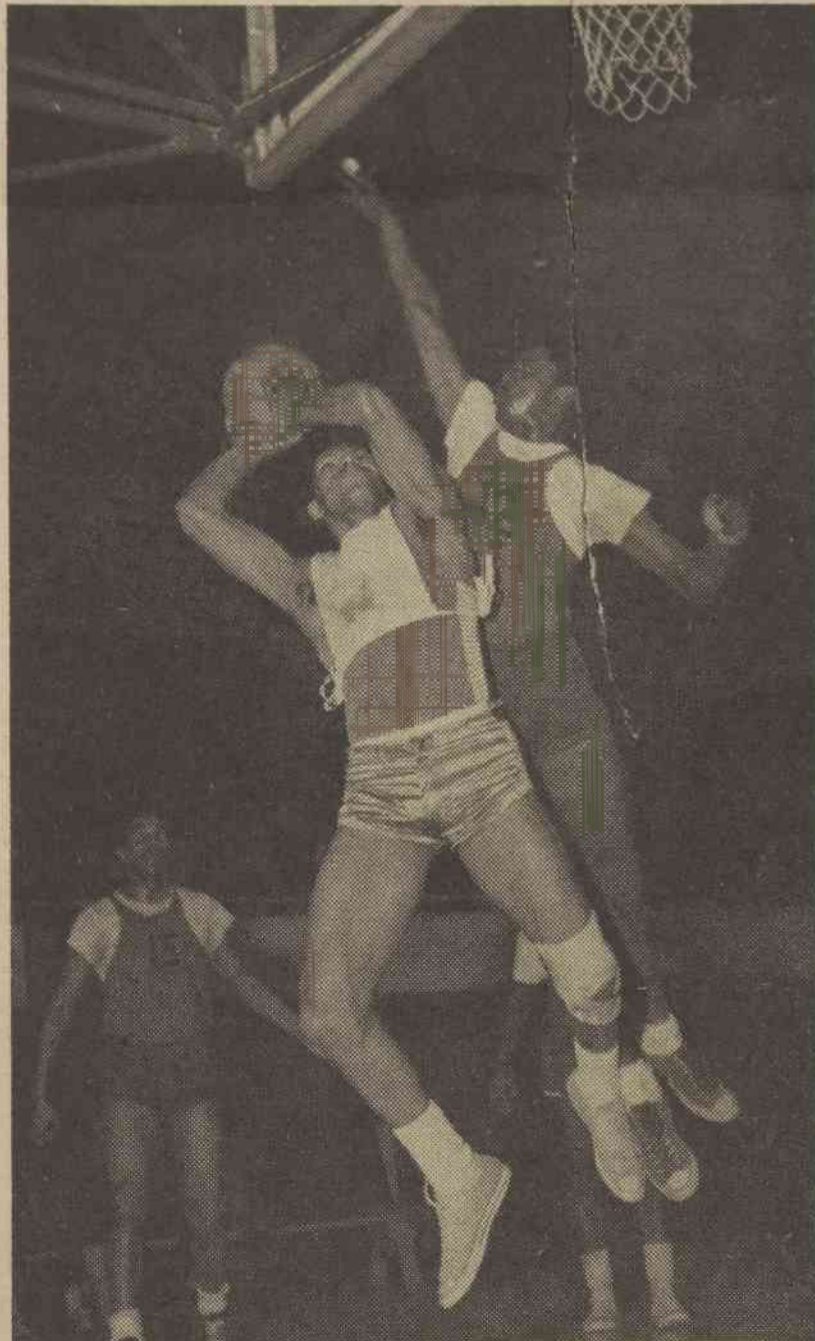
but he was among the top ten in scoring and rebounding. What Davis had done was simply lift the Eagles from the second division to third place in one year. While leading the Eagles in scoring, rebounding, shooting percentage, minutes played and serving as the backbone of the best defense in the CIAA, Davis had dominated play on both ends of the court in almost every game he played.

The scouts agreed that Lee Davis has more overall talent than any player in the conference. He shoots, rebounds, plays defense, runs, takes charge when needed and is seldom in foul trouble. He is a team player with strength and attitude desirable in as a pro player.

Question: We have the best player in the CIAA and the best coach, why don't we have the best team? Maybe it's the athletic budget?



From the expression and position of the players, one could readily conclude that quarterback Quinn (white), just fumbled a snap off off from center Martin as fullback Spruill awaits hand-off. However, this is just some of the action which took place in the final game of the IAA tournament, which saw Martin and Spruills Hustlers victors in a 58-54 thriller over the defending champion Sharks.



In championship game against Hustlers, All-IAA forward Frank Bullock of the Sharks, tries for a two pointer over the extended arms of the Hustlers Robert Spruill. The Hustlers won the game 58-54.

—Brown Named Coach Of Year—

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cation Department. His scouting reports of other teams were instrumental in guiding the Eagle footballers to many victories. Brown also served as golf coach for NCC in 1965, the only year the school has fielded a team in

this sport.

He was a star athlete in both football and basketball here at NCC where he received his bachelor's degree. He holds the M.A. degree from Northwestern University and the LL.B. degree from the NCC School of Law.