

# Oscar Robertson Leads Scoring In 10th Dixie Classic

## New Year's Day Bowl Game Set

HOUSTON, Tex. (ANP) — A large crowd is predicted for the first Prairie View Bowl game matching the high-flying Panthers against the Langston (Okla.) University Lions in Jeppson Stadium here on New Year's Day.

The Panthers, recognized 1958 national Negro football champions, are favored to win. Prairie View has won one, tied once and lost no games during regular season's play. However, they face a determined Langston eleven.

Highlights of the contest call for a pre-game show by high school bands and drill teams, and similar half-time performances featuring Langston's 100-piece band and the Prairie View military band and drill team.

## All-Service Grid Team Names Seven

CHICAGO (ANP) — Seven former college stars were among those picked on All-Service football teams announced last week by the three service newspapers — The Army, Navy and Air Force Times.

Named on the Air Force eleven was Joe Barbee, a tackle for Lockbourne AFB and a former Kent State (Ohio) star.

Three were picked on the Army unit. They were John Henry Lewis, an ex-Michigan star, at end; Earl Vincent, who performed for Iowa, at one halfback; and Eddie Crook, former West Virginia State star, at the other halfback.

All-service selections included Jim Robinson, former Fisk star, at end, and Harry Jefferson, the ex-halfback of Illinois.

## Tree Named For Prexy Of Langston

LANGSTON, Okla. — (ANP) — One of 256 trees planted in a major land conservation program at the Thor Research Center for Better Farm Living near Marengo, Illinois, has been dedicated to G. L. Harrison, president, Langston University.

William G. Stratton, governor of Illinois, spared ground for planting the first tree, during ceremonies in which trees were dedicated to Stratton, President Dwight D. Eisenhower, Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson, and governors and S. S. Senators of all states.

Trees also are being dedicated to other leading figures who have made outstanding contributions to American agricultural progress. It was announced by Neil C. Hurley, Jr., who founded the nationally-known non-profit research farm two years ago.

Planting of the 256 trees is the closing phase of a conservation development program which resulted in earlier construction to provide a reservoir for fire-prevention, irrigation, and livestock purposes, even for drinking water if necessary, helped determine the best procedures for farmers requiring similar water conservation. The trees provide soil-conserving landscaping for a acres surrounding the huge artificial body of water.

Dr. Harrison received a communication from Mr. Hurley in which states that "The tree was planted a couple of days ago and will be henceforth known as the G. L. Harrison memorial tree. When it gets a little bigger, a plaque will be inscribed by the ground in front of it reading as follows:

"In honor of his distinguished work to further American agriculture, we at the Thor Research Center for Better Farm Living pay tribute to G. L. Harrison. This tree planted on November 24, 1958 is dedicated to our gratitude that such leaders as Mr. Harrison give so freely of their time, their talents, and their energy."

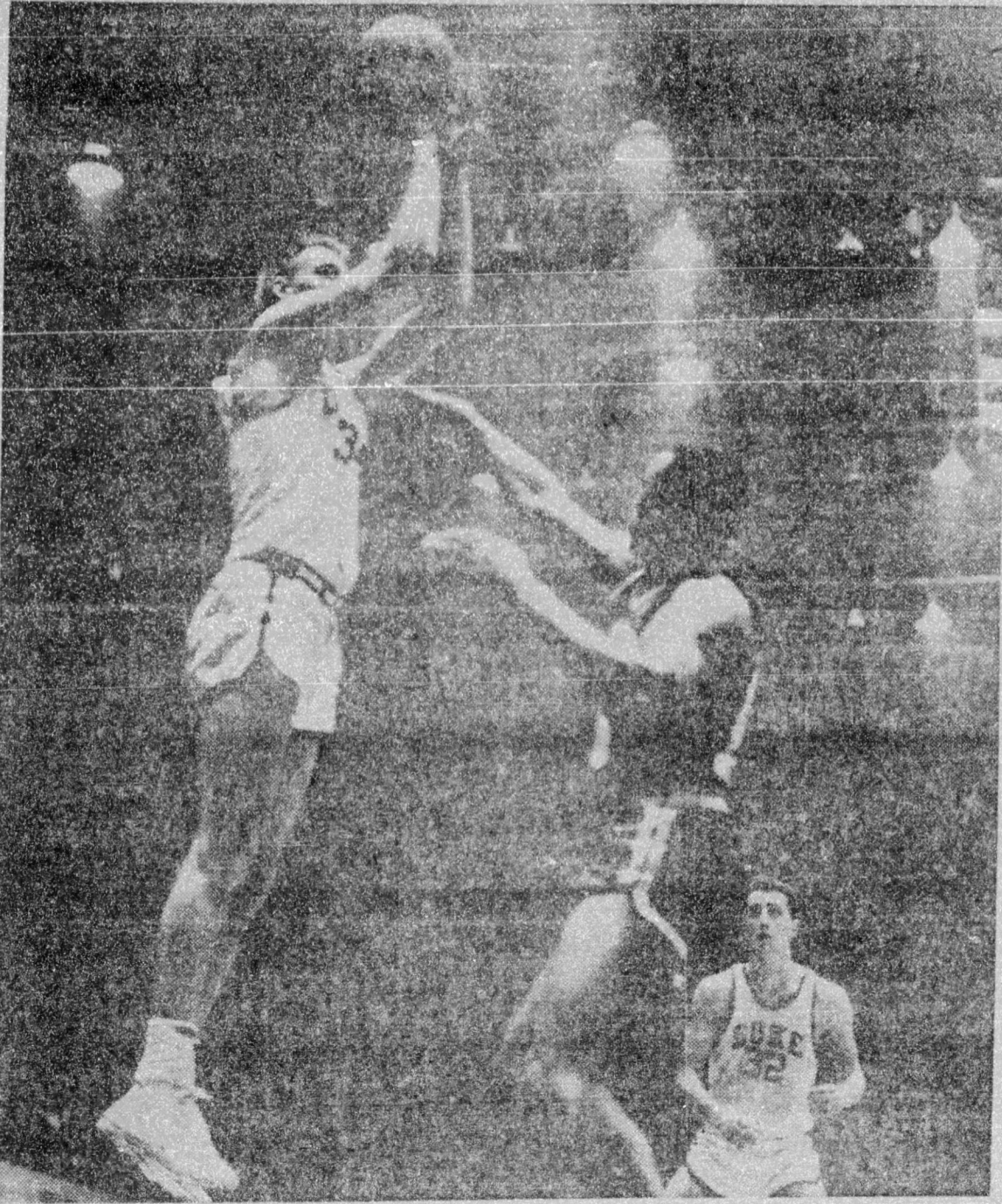
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## Winston-Salem Rams Have A 5 To 2 Basketball Record

WINSTON-SALEM — The Winston-Salem Teachers College Rams ended their pre-holiday basketball with a 5-2 record.

The Rams opened their season in Atlanta, Georgia as one of the nine contestants in the Georgia Invitational Tournament. In the tournament opener the Rams defeated South Carolina State for the privilege of entering the 8 team bracket.

That same evening Florida A. & M. defeated the Rams forcing them into the consolation bracket. Vic-



AT DIXIE CLASSIC — Michigan State's All-America candidate Johnny Green, right, is shown in action against Duke University player Marty Joyce Monday night at State College's William Neal Reynolds Coliseum. Green scored 14 points in the game which Michigan State won, 28-57. (UPI PHOTO).

## Gridders Win 3 Top Titles In National Football League

CHICAGO (ANP) — Ten players captured championships in three key offensive departments in the National Football League this season, according to statistics released recently.

Jim Brown, of course, was the leader in rushing and in scoring, and Ollie Matson captured the kickoff return title.

Brown, the feared fullback of the Cleveland Browns, established a new league record in rushing when he gained 1,527 yards in 257 attempts. He tied another mark by scoring 18 touchdowns, including 13 rushing. His 168 points made him the leading scorer in the league.

Matson overtook Lennie Hayes in the last game of the season to forge ahead as the productive kickoff returner. The veteran halfback of the Chicago Cardinals returned 14 for 597 yards and an average of 35.5.

Joe (the Jet) Perry, who is the all-time rushing leader in the NFL, piled up 758 yards this season to place third in ball carrying. He now has a career total of 6,549 yards. He broke the old record in the second game of the season.

Other top rushing leaders were Willie Galimore, Chicago Bears, who gained 619 yards in 130 tries for a 4.8 average; Lennie Moore, Baltimore, 558 yards in 82 tries for among regular ball carriers and a 7.2 average, highest in the league; Matson, 505 yards in 129 attempts for 3.9 average.

Moore was tied for second in scoring with 14 touchdowns, seven by passes and seven by rushes, for 84 points. He also was fourth in pass receiving, totaling 943 yards on 51 receptions.

Galimore was fifth in the scoring derby, accounting for 72 points with 12 touchdowns, including nine rushing.

## Panthers Compiled Outstanding Record

PRairie View, Tex. — (ANP) — The close of the 1958 football season is a marker on the career of W. J. "Billy" Nicks, head football coach at Prairie View A. & M. College. A look backward over a period of 10 seasons, to 1949 reveals a record in football that has been achieved by few.

Coach Nicks became head coach at Prairie View in 1949 and set himself to the task of building a top-flight team in the Southwest Athletic Conference. His record, from 1949 to 1958, reveals that he has succeeded in that endeavor.

Nicks' Panthers were Conference Champions in 1951-52-53.

34 and 55. The Panthers finished second in the conference in 1950-51-52 and 57. His 10th year as head coach was all but a perfect season. The Panthers have won 9, tied one and have lost none. Prairie View is recognized as 1958 National Negro Champion. Nicks' team won the same honor in 1953 and in 1954.

**SPOTLESS HOME RECORD**

The Panthers have not lost a homecoming game in the last eight years. Since 1950 the Panthers have played in Bowl games and have won six, lost one, and tied two.

## Dick Bass First Collegiate Triple Titlist In 21 Years

CHICAGO — (ANP) — Final statistics of the 1958 football season, released last week by the National Collegiate Athletic Bureau, show officially that Dick Bass captured three offensive titles—the first triple offensively king in 21 years—and that several other top backs ranked high in rushing.

Bass led in total offense, with 1,440 yards in 218 plays in scoring, with 18 touchdowns and eight conversion points for 116 points; and in rushing, with 1,371 yards in 209 rushes for a 6.63 average.

Leon Burton, Arizona State back and leading rusher in 1957, finished 11th in this department this season. He gained 632 yards in 103 carries for an average of 5.94. Leon was eighth in scoring, with 11 touchdowns and four extra points for 70 points.

Mel West, sophomore halfback for the University of Missouri, ranked 12th in rushing, missing 942 yards in 131 tries for a 4.99 average.

Panther Grant, Oklahoma fullback, who appears with the Sooners in the Orange Bowl, gained 627 yards in 145 attempts for a 5.97 average. He was 15th.

Don Perkins, brilliant star for New Mexico, 19th, gained 621 yards in 112 attempts for a 5.54 average.

**CLARK OUTSTANDING, DESPITE INJURIES**

Despite injuries that kept him out of two key games, Don Clark, Ohio State's great halfback who was drafted by the Chicago Bears, gained 59 yards in 114 tries for a 5.10 average.

## Sepia Cagers Sparkle Before 25,000 Fans

Cincinnati, North Carolina and Michigan State rolled to easy victories Monday in the 1st round of the Dixie Classic. Perennial champion North Carolina State had its troubles before advancing to the semi-finals.

Oscar Robertson and Mike Mendenhall led first-ranked Cincinnati to a 94-70 win over Wake Forest, Michigan State rolled over cold-shooting Duke, 82-57, and North Carolina walloped Yale, 72-45. Sixth-ranked N. C. State, six-time winner of the Classic, had to go into overtime to squeak by stubborn Louisville, 67-61.

Tuesday afternoon's semi-final game matched N. C. State against Cincinnati with fourth-ranked Michigan State and fifth-ranked North Carolina tangled in the night semi-finals. First round losers dropped into the consolation bracket.

shared in the scoring. Sophomore guard York Larese paced the Tar Heels with 25 points. Harvey Seitz, only other player to hit double figures, had 10.

Big center Gerald Glynn, with 14 points, led Yale while forward Dan McFadden scored 12.

Capacity crowds of 12,500 were on hand for both sessions of the Classic which is expected to draw a new total attendance of more than 74,000 in three days.

Robertson, who had a bad day at the foul line, was "held" to 29 points, well below his usual average, but Mendenhall took up some of the slack with a 22-point contribution.

Robertson, apparently bothered by the beating he took at times, missed eight of the 17 free throws he attempted.

At one point in the game, Coach George Smith pulled Robertson out of the game for a cooling-off period after he was involved in a scolding match with the Deacons' Dave Budd, who led Wake Forest with 14 points.

Cincinnati started slowly but began to pull away midway through the first half and led, 43-26, at halftime. The Bearcats' lead never fell below 15 points in the second half and was as much as 29 points at one point.

## Aggie Cagers Make Mistakes, Still Win

GREENBORO — With four straight wins against no defeats in CIAA basketball play, all by lopsided scores, the A&T College Aggies appeared unbeatable as the players left last weekend for home and a brief holiday respite.

Aggie fans were as jubilant last week as if the season had already ended, sincerely doubtful that there is a team in the conference able to muster even a score, let alone beat them. They look for the Aggies to go through the conference schedule without a defeat, the first time in the history of athletics in any sport at the college.

Interpretation this season. "Many of our plays which would have been sensational offense last season are plain and simple cheating violations this year," he said, "and our boys are late finding out."

Irvin's deepest concern is about the failure of his reserves, several freshmen who brought to the college this fall hail of rave clippings on their high school exploits. "They show up brilliantly in practice sessions, but in a ball game, they look more like sandbaggers," he still has hopes for them, but readily admits without a "hunch" the Aggies can be in for trouble as the season progresses.

Cal Irvin, head basketball coach for the past three years, and who led the team last year to its first conference flag in two decades, takes a dimmer view of the situation.

"In the first place," he said, "four games do not make a season and we still have a long way to go." He had other and more important concerns.

"The team, this year, though winners, is making every mistake 'in the book' and others, some unforgivable. He said the boys are throwing the ball away, much too often. They are missing too many easy shots, but making the hard and sensational ones and on occasions are falling short which should be passed off to unguarded players on the loose."

The Aggies play a very aggressive game and are having difficulty adjusting to the modified rule.

With all of these problems, how have the Aggies been able to do so well?

Tremendous rebounding strength is one of the factors and Charlie Harrison, 6-6 center, who led the nation (NAIA) last year with a game average of 24.4 is the "big gun" in that department. In the four games he has pulled down better than 22 per game, but North Carolina bred Joe Cotton, a 6-4 forward from Garysburg is also helping the cause. He is doing better than 20 per game, already. Without these two men the Aggie "fast break" would be totally ineffectual.

Blazing speed and tip top physical condition of the team, generated by other important assets. The Aggies have overpowered their opponents this season by just "running them" out of the Moore Gymnasium. Irvin believes that it requires



GROSS PURPOSES — With waving arms, Willie Naults (6, New York) of the New York Knickerbockers, and Boston Celtics Bill Russell (6, Boston) leap after a rebound during the game last week at New York. Boston players looking on are Bob Cousy (14) and Frank Ramsey (23). Final score: Boston 129, New York 120. (UPI PHOTO).

## GOOFIN' OFF BY "SKINK"

NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS IN SPORTS:

A state football title for Ligon High . . . The CIAA pigskin crown for Shaw . . . A winning season in anything for St. Paul's College . . . A well-touted athletic program for North Carolina College . . . A good baseball team for Rufus Hatten in Raleigh . . . Ditto for Herman Taylor in Greensboro . . . More Mink coats for Willie Mays . . . A bigger baseball to pitch to Larry Doby . . .

A fight for Floyd Patterson . . . Better baseball clubs in Negro baseball . . . St. Augustine's College; too tight football teams in early season . . . Hampton and Lincoln; better football teams . . . James (Molly) Alston, of Greensboro; better business communication facilities . . . Mineral Springs Hi of Ellerbe; Another stunning girls' basketball team . . . Football team for eight of the nine high schools in Robeson County . . . Baseball to Dunbar Hi in Lexington . . . Football to Dunbar Hi in East Spencer . . . State athletic membership from the 12 outside high schools in the Southeastern Athletic Association . . .

A state semi-pro baseball championship for the Roxboro Colts . . . Another Joe Cotton for the Gumberry High School . . . A new gymnasium for Johnson C. Smith . . . More Napoleon Johnsons and Charlie Watkins for Coach Pete Williams . . . More colored players for the Raleigh Caps baseball team . . . More publicity for college and high school games . . . More sparkling halftime shows at college football games . . . Another national basketball scoring record for Oscar Robertson . . . A better representative All-CIAA football team . . . A success in the movies for Althea Gibson . . . A fight above taxes for Sugar Ray Robinson . . . And more of everything for everybody's dollar.

The old star gave its share of gifts:

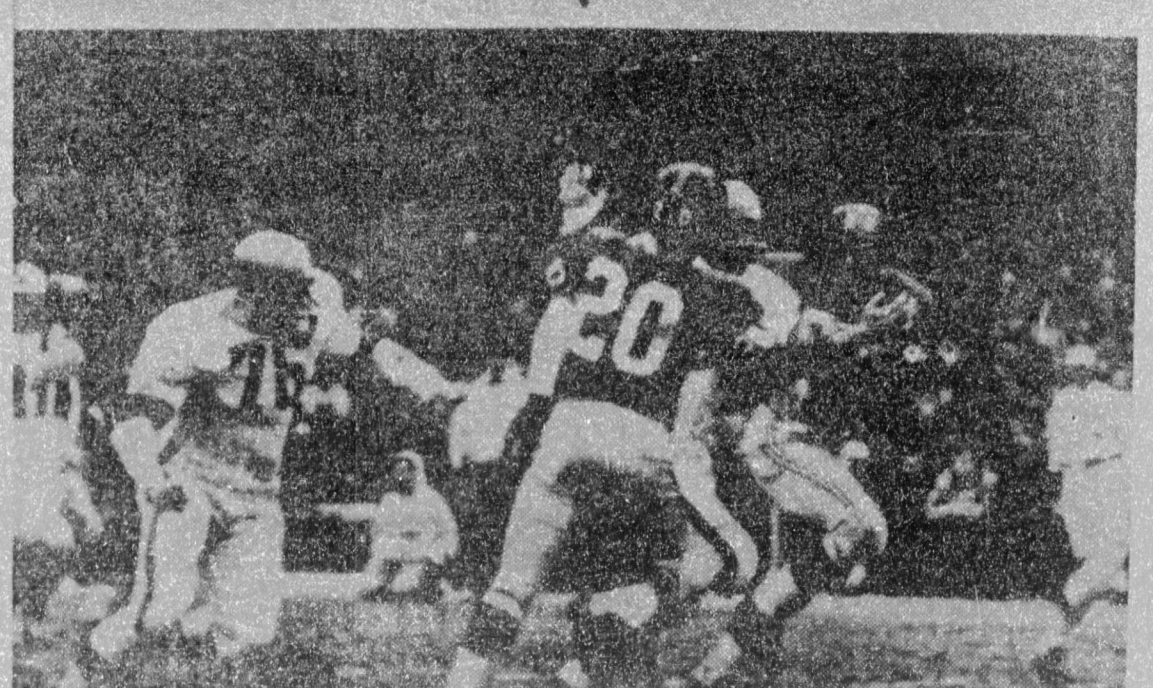
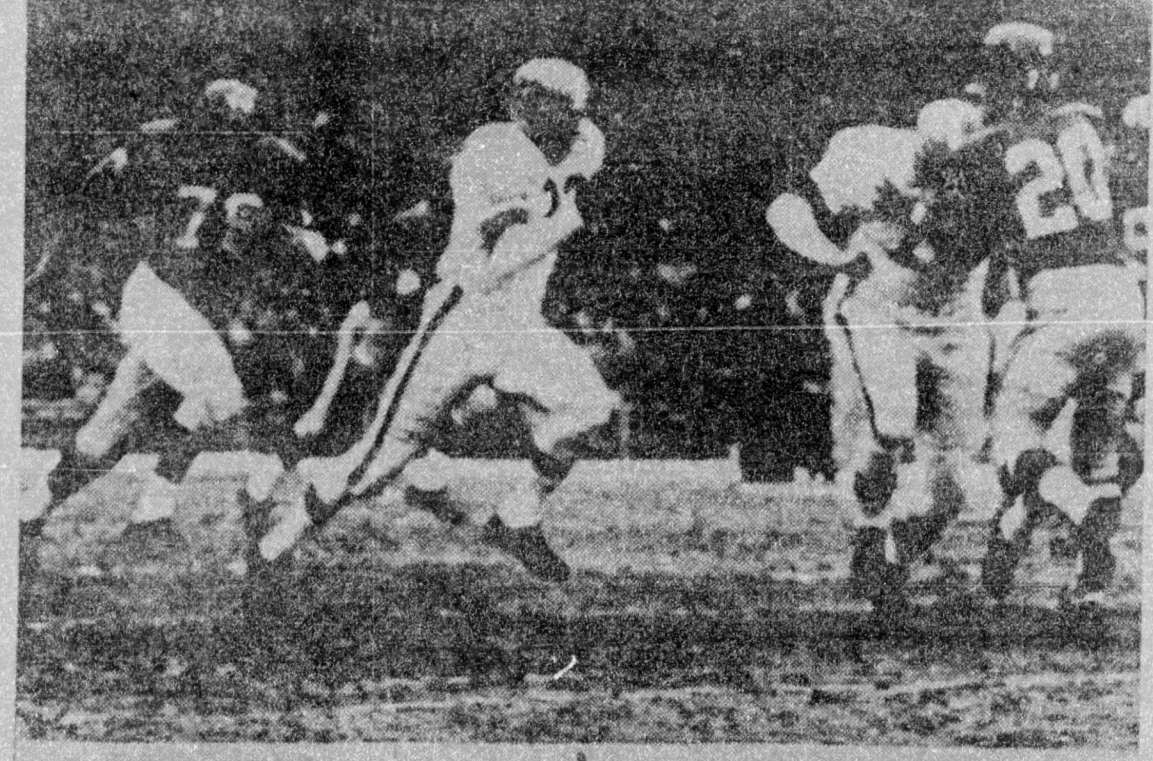
A wife to Coach Cal Irvin of A&T College . . . A baby to Sandy McCallahan of Mordecai City after years and years . . . Coach "Stone" Jackson to St. Augustine's College . . . A football championship to A&T College . . . Oscar Robertson playing in the Coliseum . . . "Sudden death" inaugurated in championship football games . . . The Brooklyn Dodgers found a home in Los Angeles . . . The Baltimore Orioles are still the St. Louis Browns' . . . John Baker broke into pro football with the Los Angeles Rams . . . John Green of Michigan State gave lessons in rebounding in their Dixie Classic basketball victory over Duke, 87-97.

Old combinations and names that are still topics for discussion:

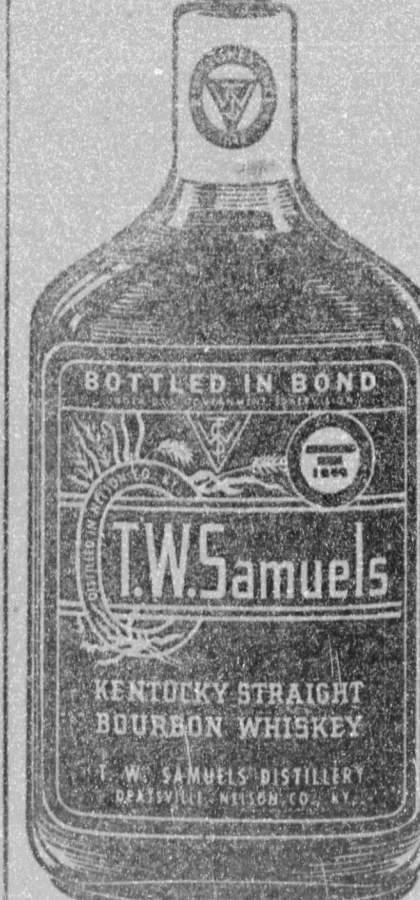
All CIAA football of meaning combination — Leonard "Biggie" Ligon, the late Dr. Harper Fleming and Dr. Mike' Waits . . . In football history, Jimmy and Jimmie Stephens of Lenoir, "Hoss" Lane and Bus Coleman of A&T; Cole and Les Verney of St. Augustine's; Red Dabner of Va. State; Lytle and Mitchell of Shaw; Jazz Byrd, "Pip" Young of Lincoln; Red Danney, "Wild Man" Lee of Hampton; "Zip" Johnson, Tubby Bounds, Va. State; Brayboy, "Big" Bogie, Jack Martin of Smith; and "Slim" Henderson, Eddie Davis and Mel Wheeler, Va. Seminary; Brutus Wilson and Tank Conrad of Morgan, and Jack Cole and Donohy of Howard.

much more energy to defend against the fast game than to play it. In the opening weeks of training he had his boys running on the college track much more than on the gym floor and this program is apparently paying off now.

Team experience is the final bit in Aggie success. Not a single player was lost last June via graduation—result no holes to fill in the championship outfit. The boys know each other, their movements and pretty much what to expect and where. This outfit, composed chiefly of sophomores and juniors last year has now grown into maturity. They rarely become "rattled" because they have team confidence, and equally important as one newspaperman put it last season, "the boys love the game and love each other."



HARD TO STOP — Ace Cleveland fullback Jimmy Brown (32) is off and running on a spectacular 65-yard touchdown gallop on the first play from scrimmage in a recent game at New York City. In the top photo, Brown is being pursued by Roosevelt Grier (76) as Browns' tackle Lou Groza attempts to block Giant defender Jim Patton (26). In bottom photo, Brown appears hopelessly trapped in a pincer tackle by Patton and Harland Savre, right. However, Brown wriggled free and dashed on into the end zone for the score. The Giants rallied to win the game, 13-10. (UPI PHOTO).



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