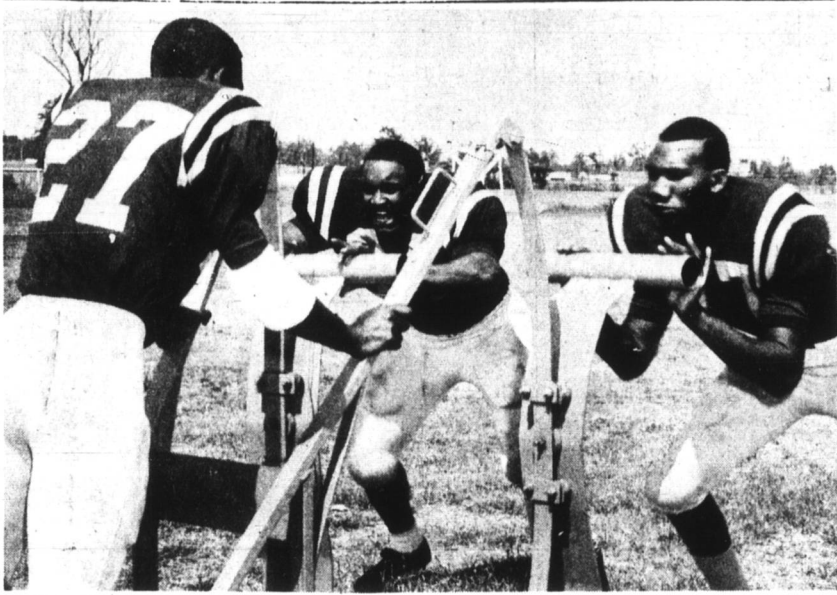


EAGLE GRIDDERS PREPARE FOR 1968 SEASON



ROUGH SLEDDING AT A&T — A&T linemen Paris Favors, Athens, Ga. (center) and Ike Golden, Reading, Pa. (right) take their turns on the Aggies' blocking sled during opening practice session here last week. Getting free ride is halfback Maurice Cherry, Portsmouth, Virginia.

NCC Mentor Says "Ifs" Key to Team's Chances for Good Year

North Carolina College's head football coach George Quiett is not trying to rewrite Rudyard Kipling's poem, "If," but the first-year field boss does cite "ifs" as being the key to Eagles' chances for the 1968 gridiron season.

An assistant coach at the Durham school for five years before taking over this year for James Stevens, now acting athletic director, Quiett summed up his prospects for the 1968 season with a lot of "if" clauses.

"If the boys are able to master a new offense, if they can shake off a defeatist attitude, if they can adjust to new concepts of coaching, if the squad stays free of injuries, and if the ball bounces our way and we get the breaks, we may have a pretty fair season."

Quiett, who took over the reign as head coach May 7 (after spring practice), greeted 52 candidates for pre-season drills August 30. During the first three days of practice, the Eagles worked out in shorts and practiced three times a day. Wednesday, they put on heavy equipment and began two-a-day drills.

Among the 52 hopefuls reporting, 23 are bona fide lettermen and an additional 14 freshmen. The lone loss from the 1967 squad is linebacker William Stanton.

Included in the list of return-

ing monogram winners is the passing combination of quarterback Herman Mathews and split end Julian Martin. Last fall as sophomores, the M and M duo was one of the most fearsome ones in the CIAA Conference. Mathews completed 78 of 159 passes for 1,169 yards and five touchdowns. Martin, named to the all-conference first team, was on the receiving end of 30 receptions for 737 yards and four TDs.

The return of halfback Ollis Carson is certain to help the Eagles' running game. Along with running backs Gilbert Smith, Roger Foust, Thurman Jones, Roy Anderson and Willie Taylor, NCC hopes to improve its running attack.

All-CIAA tackle Douglas Wilkerson heads the list of veteran linemen returning. Harold Beatty, William Royster, Lonnie Paige, Thomas Cameron and James Smith are other top linemen back. Defensive backs Frank Bullock, Ronald Upperman, Mike Johnson and George Smith should give the Eagle forces an experienced secondary.

Among the top freshmen reporting are Michael Galbreath, Jarvis Martin, Frank Simmons, Otis Alston, Daniel Hyman and Eugene Thompson. Quiett has been real impressed with the play of halfbacks Alston and Hyman during punt return drills and the line play of guards Martin and Thompson.

Three Aggie Grid Lettermen Lost to Team for Coming Season

GREENSBORO—New A&T football coach Hornsby Howell figures that something good has to happen in the Aggie football training camp soon.

So far, that has not been the case. First Howell lost veteran tackle Warren Frye for the season through an injury. The past week he learned that three other lettermen will be scholastically ineligible this season.

They are Lorenzo Pearson, a halfback; and Rey Parks, a 240-pound tackle. All three players had been expected to bolster A&T's offense.

"We have got something to talk about," said Howell, "and that is that our morale is high. We know that we have a lot of work to do but this is a good group to work with."

Having just gotten into contact work, Howell has been experimenting with four different quarterbacks. Taking their turns at signal calling are sophomore Jerome Turner, the only returnee from last year; Stanley Jacobs, a transfer student; and freshman Chuck Middleton, Hopkins, S. C. and Hank Walker, South Hill, Va.

Turner, a native of Pittsburgh, saw limited duty as quarterback last season and Jacobs played college ball in South Carolina before serving in the U. S. Army.

Many of the early drills have been spent stressing defense. Howell has been working with a defensive unit consisting of ends Billy Gaines and Don Thomas, interior linemen Lester Moore, William Smart, James Willie, and Henry Hipps, and a back field of vet-

eran Merl Code, Wendell Barthe, Daryle Cherry, and Doug Westmoreland, a transfer student.

The Aggies' offensive punch is expected to come from veteran backs Richard Armstrong, Tommy Blue, Maurice Cherry, Paul Renwick, and Fred Robinson.

The Aggies will continue their three-a-day practice sessions until classes begin September 16. A&T will open the season by hosting South Carolina State in a non-conference night game in Greensboro Memorial Stadium on September 28.

--Servicemen

(Continued from front page) at Sheppard AFB, Tex., for specialized schooling as an aircraft maintenance specialist. Airman Parker is a 1966 graduate of Richlands (N.C.) High School.

Samuel F. Stephenson, brother of Garland Stephenson, Hillsboro Road, Durham, has been promoted to technical sergeant in the U. S. Air Force. Sergeant Stephenson, a command post technician at Robins AFB, Ga., is a member of Headquarters Air Force Reserves.

The sergeant is a 1950 graduate of Durham High School. His wife is the former Jocelyn M. King from England.

Captain Jack C. Bethea, son of Mrs. James C. Williamson of 1216 N. Roxboro St., Durham, has received his second award of the U. S. Air Force Commendation Medal at Kelly AFB, Tex.

Captain Bethea, a signals intelligence officer, was decorated for meritorious service. He was cited for his outstanding professional skill, knowledge and leadership.

The captain, who was commissioned in 1963 upon completion of Officers Training School at Lackland AFB, Tex., has served a tour of duty in Vietnam.

--RCA

(Continued from front page) stages to \$3.35 an hour. The RCA project is part of the TEST series of the President's JOBS program, aimed at mobilizing the resources of private business and the Federal Government to help find jobs and provide training for the hard-core unemployed in or near ghettos. To facilitate this goal, training facilities are often located in these areas.



Local Junior Development Team Dominates Local Tournament

"Impossible! Fantastic! He moves with the grace of a floating cloud" were some of the statements describing little 14 year old John Harding Lucas, Jr., as he methodically mowed down his more mature opponents in the Durham City-County Tennis Tournament on Duke University Courts here last week.

John is just the most outstanding member of the greatest junior tennis team ever assembled in this area. Other members were: Bonnie Logan of national fame in the Junior and Women's competition; Mike Ruffin who is feared on the state and national level and Ben Page who plays close on the heels of Ruffin and Lucas.

Coach Carl L. Easterling calls putting together this team his best effort in 33 years of coaching. Every one of the team members was involved in one or more championships last week.

John Lucas won outright or shared in six titles. He downed three formidable opponents enroute to the men's singles crown, and he also capped the "18 and under" and the "16 and under" titles.

He teamed with Ben Page to win the 18 doubles and with Mike Ruffin to win the Men's Doubles. Then Miss Bonnie Logan and John capped the action packed week by beating

Ronnie Sox Wins Drag Race Title

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Ronnie Sox of Burlington, N.C., Ray Alley of Los Angeles and Fred Austin of Akron, Ohio, captured top honors Sunday in the All-American Drag Race Championship at the Bristol Dragway before a crowd of 32,000.

Austin won the jet car competition, completing the two-day meet undefeated in Walton Airfoons' Green Monster car. Austin beat Bobby Patroe of Akron in the finals even though Patroe had the top speed of the meet at 252.11 miles an hour.

Alley won the factory experimental and fuel cars competition, beating Don Biggers of Kansas City in the final run. Both drove 1968 Barracudas. Gene Snow of Fort Worth, Tex., had the top fuel car speed during the two-day meet, hitting 193.96 m.p.h. in a 1968 Dodge.

Sox won the Super stock crown by beating Dave Lyall of Lincoln Park, Mich., in the finals. Sox had the top speed in his division, putting his 1968 Plymouth down the quarter-mile stretch at 131.19 m.p.h. Lyle drove a 1968 Ford Cobra Jet.

Motorcycle driver E. J. Potter of Los Angeles has a run of 193 m.p.h. in an exhibition, cracking the world record for a 1/8 mile time run on a quarter-mile strip for motorcycles. He completed the distance in 8.82 seconds, beating the old record of 9.32

for the occasion.

Major hotels and motels apparently have resisted the temptation to cash the same way. But some downtown hotels, however, already report capacity reservations for the expected games against the St. Louis Cardinals on Oct. 2 and 3, and, barring a four-game sweep, again on Oct. 5, 6 and 7.



HOPE TO REVIVE A&T FOOTBALL FORTUNES — Hornsby Howell (center), newly appointed head football coach at A&T State University, outlines season's expectations to assistants Willie Jeffries, Matt Brown, Murray Neely, and Mel Groomes. The Aggies were scheduled to begin practice in Greensboro early this week.

Nothing But Work Predicted For 1968 A&T Football Team

GREENSBORO — There may be a question about how the 1968 A&T football team will fare during the coming season, but there is no question about how hard the Aggies are going to work preparing for the games.

"I can't make any predictions about what we will do," said new coach Hornsby Howell, "but I can tell you that we are going to work hard."

Shortly after 65 candidates reported for duty last Thursday, (August 29), Howell announced three-a-day practice sessions, beginning with an eye opener at 5:30 a. m. The idea is not only to beat the heat, but to get the jump on the rugged nine-game schedule the Aggies face this fall.

Howell said he hopes to begin his rough work the middle of next week after NCAA's required period in shoes and shorts is over.

A&T will open its season by entertaining strong S. C. State in a night game here September 28. The two teams have not met since 1960, but the Bulldogs had one of their finest teams last season when they compiled a 7-1-0 record.

Following the game against S. C. State, the Aggies must take on CIAA foes Johnson C. Smith, Norfolk State, Maryland State, Winston-Salem, Morgan, Virginia State, and N. C. College and national small-college power Florida A&M.

Hornsby maintains the cautious outlook he has had since he became the Aggies' head coach last March. "We are in dire need of some good, big interior linemen," he said, "We have some good backs. If we can find four or five linemen who are ready to play, we can hold our own."

Heading the 26 lettermen in the Aggie camp are All-CIAA halfback Willie Pearson, defensive halfback Merl Code, quarterback Jerome Turner, ends Billy Gaines and Don Thomas, and running backs Tommy

Blue Aaron Patterson, and Richard Armstrong, and guard Jimmy Smallwood. Assisting Howell at A&T are Murray Neely, Mel Groomes, newcomer Willie Jeffries and Matt Brown.

Tennis Player Being Groomed For Star Role

LYNCHBURG, Va. — Under whirlwind Johnson, Juan Farrow, next door neighbor, is being rapidly prepared to be the next "Arthur Ashe." Juan started tennis at 7 years old, started winning championships at 9 years old. Now at the ripe age of 10 has amassed an amazing record for 1968.

Starting in Sugar Bowl Tournament where he was the first Negro to break the color line, he was defeated 6-1; 6-0 by Steven Miller of New York, although playing in the under 12 he was taught a precious lesson of ball control.

In March, he traveled to the Lakeland Junior USLTA Invitational and defeated J. P. Hoplin, Elizabeth, New Jersey 6-1; 6-1 under 10 championships and lost Ben McKnown, Lakeland in 3 sets in semi of under 12. Since the Lakeland Tournament, Juan has been consistent winner in the under 10 where he has never been defeated and has also won under 12 Championships in singles and doubles; winning the under 10 in the Dixie Invitational at Tampa, Florida and reached the finals in the under 12.

Won 10 singles in USLTA over Canton Harris, Burlington, N. C. and the under 12 from Bill Stephazin. Won 12 doubles with Stephazin.

Won Home Beneficial 12 singles from Hank Harris in Richmond, Virginia. Won the MALTA under 12 in Norfolk from Hank Harris.

Twins Defeat Detroit

DETROIT — Rookie Graig Nettles slammed his fourth home run in three days, a three-run shot in the sixth inning that gave Dean Chance and the Minnesota Twins a 3-1 victory over the American League leading Detroit Tigers Sunday.

The loss, coupled with Baltimore's 3-2 victory over Chicago, trimmed the Tigers' margin over the second place Orioles to seven games.

Chance checked the Tigers on six hits and struck out seven in squaring his record at 14-14. Nettles, recalled by the Twins from Denver of the Pacific Coast League Sept. 1, slammed the only returnee from last year; Earl Wilson's pitches into the facing of the second deck in right field. The blow followed singles by Cesar Tovar and Frank Kostro.

The 24-year-old rookie hit his first major league homer off 28-game winner Denny McLain Friday night. He slammed two off Pat Dobson as the Twins beat Detroit 2-1 Saturday night. Detroit took a 1-0 lead in the fifth when Gates Brown, making a rare starting appearance, belted his fifth homer.

The loss was Wilson's 12th in 24 decisions.

MINNESOTA		DETROIT	
ab	r	ab	r
Tovar cf	4	1	0
Kostro rf	4	1	0
Nettles rf	4	1	0
Holt lf	0	0	0
Allison lb	4	0	0
Rollins 3b	4	0	0
Renick ss	0	0	0
RonClark ss	4	0	0
Lock 2b	3	0	0
Quillie 2b	3	0	0
DChance p	3	0	0
Total	32	22	1

Minnesota 3, Detroit 5. HR—G. Brown (5), E. Cash. DP—Minnesota 1. LOB—Nettles (4).

IP		H		R		ER		BB		SO	
D.Chance (W,14-14)	9	6	1	1	1	7	0	1	1	7	0
Wilson (L,12-12)	9	5	3	3	0	9	0	9	0	9	0
WP—Wilson.	T-204.	A-27,771.									

Williams Wins Coharie Golf Title with 145

CLINTON — George Williams of Clinton fired a 74 here Sunday to win the first annual Coharie invitational golf tournament by four strokes.

Williams, who had a 71 Saturday, was tied with Tommy Turlington going into the 16th hole. He had a birdie there while Turlington took a double bogey and that decided the championship.

First Flight		Second Flight		Third Flight		Fourth Flight		Fifth Flight	
George Williams	71-74-145	Purcell Jones	82-79-161	Charles Russell	84-78-162	Charles Tart	92-81-173	Wall Skidmore	94-81-185
Tommy Turlington	71-78-149	Fennell Smith	81-81-162	Jack Williams	84-79-163	Earl Stinson	93-83-184	Earl Stinson	93-83-184
Tom Semaske	76-76-152	X. Brown	81-83-164	Herman Thomas	85-80-165	Larry Thomas	92-84-178	John B. Wells	97-89-184
Robert Josey	77-77-154	Frank Barfield	80-82-165	Davis Lee	85-84-169	Gerald Quinn	90-88-178	Marshall Williams	97-95-192
Sidney Apple	78-80-158								
Don Carrico	80-80-158								
Fras Turlington	80-80-158								
Cap. Corbin Cherry	79-80-159								

Fair to Open

GRAHAM — The annual Alamance County Veteran's Fair will open tonight at the new fairgrounds here. The fair will continue through Saturday.