

# SPORTS

## ATHLETIC AIMS

By Herman Mathews

Graduation, time to wear a smile we have gone another mile, you see: in a land of byways and roads of highways, to highest achievements we'll find our way.

To adulthood, off to see the world there is such a lot of world to see: we're after success and higher aims we have to make our names for life is not a game, we're leaving you now.

To the tune of "Moon River", my graduating high school class sang the above words at the end of commencement exercises ten years ago. The song was reflective of the feelings of many in that class as to the preparations, aspirations, and challenges being directed toward a waiting society. Whether many immediately entered the workforce or college depended to a large degree on what means and opportunities were available.

Going to college was "the way" for a high percentage of the student-athletes in my senior class. For it was the "Eve" of the recruitment of Black student-athletes by predominantly white universities. Professional sports, via television, brought the market value of athletic prowess right into the homes and minds of a people who were naturally endowed to DO IT in athletics. To participate in athletics on the college level was seen by some student-athletes as a means to achieve an economic end, which was synonymous to a professional sports contract. The opportunities to pursue such a goal were abundant, as predominantly black and white universities eagerly sought the skills of talented, black student-athletes.

The thousands of student-athletes, including those in my graduating high school class, who entered institutions of higher learning ten years ago found that their success or failure to reach any kind of goals depended very much on their perspective of higher education. And, the success or failure of those many black student-athletes who will be entering college this year will depend largely on their perspective of higher education. Many student-athletes will sink, float, or swim in the college environment. It is as basic as that.

With the student-athlete, the athletic facilities, the associations with coaches and fellow student-athletes, and the athletic events themselves will be undeniable influences. However, the center of gravity of colleges and/or universities is not athletics, nor the teachers, the textbooks, or the buildings, but the students and learning. Education, it has been said, is what remains when a man has forgotten all he has been taught. To prepare for life in more ways than just one is a very basic and applicable perspective for today's black student-athlete. For society will challenge the preparations and aspirations of us all, long after athletic ability has faded to but memories.

AFRICAN PROVERB: Let him speak who has seen with his eyes.



GUS WILLIAMS OF GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS sinks jump shot in second quarter of NBA playoff with Phoenix Suns Friday night (May 7). Paul Westphal of Phoenix tried unsuccessfully to block the shot from behind. In foreground is Alvan Adams of Suns. (UPI).

### BOWLING BULLETIN

The Hazel B. Plummer League of the Durham and Orange County Bowling Assn. announces the following recent league scores in the Men's and Women's Division. Leading in High Game in the Women's Division was Walterene Parrish with 217; Millie Williams with 195 and Ann Reed with 190. High Series was led by Walterene Parrish with 546; Ann Reed with 522 and Millie Williams with 518. Leading in High Game in

the Men's Division was Jerome Rothenberg with 244; Jimmy Harrington with 207 and Ed Borden with 206. High Series was led by Jerome Rothenberg with 571 followed by Jimmy Harrington with 545 and Joseph Parker with 536. In other bowling news: Lillian Thompson, 506; Mary Hawkins, 500; Ed Borden, 533; George Thorne, 523; Jim Dyer, 506; Guster Lewis, 505 and Mike Nieves, 502.

## Delaware State Captures MEAC Track Title

DOVER, DELAWARE - With a superior showing the distant races, Delaware State piled up enough points to overcome South Carolina State to win the 5th Annual Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Track & Field Championships held Saturday and Sunday on the Delaware State College track.

The Hornets scored a total of 74 points to edge South Carolina State which compiled 70 points in the two-day meet. Howard University finished a distant third with 50 points.

Other team scoring was Morgan State 40, N. C. A & T 14, Maryland-Eastern Shore 14 and North Carolina Central 7.

The Hornets, coached by Joe Burden, picked up first, third, fourth and fifth in the 3200 meter run for a total of 12 points while S. C. State was not entered in this event. This gave Delaware State a 71-66 lead going into the last event of the day, the 1600-meter relay. S. C. State finished second to Howard in the finale while Delaware State was able to come in third and maintain its lead in the meet.

One record was set in the two-day, 17-event meet where all seven institutions in the MEAC competed for individual and team honors. Victor Egwu of Howard leaped 47 feet, six and one-half inch set by Ron Handy of Maryland-Eastern Shore in 1973.

Egwu was one of the three double winners in the meet also annexing the long jump championship with a jump of 22 feet, eight and one-half inch. Other double winners were Wayne Broska of Delaware State in the shot put with a throw of 48 feet, 11½ inches and the javelin with a toss of 210 feet, 10

inches and Richard Massey of Howard in the 200 and 400 meters. Massey, who was voted the most outstanding trackster in the meet, won the 200 meters in 21.6 and 400 meters in 46.8 in addition to running a leg on the Howard 400 meter relay team which finished third.

Howard won six individual events and one relay while South Carolina State claimed four individual titles and one relay. Delaware State won four titles and Morgan State one.

Phil Murphy of S. C. State won the discus with a heave of 132 feet and six inches. Teammate Reginald Floyd won the pole vault with a jump of 13 feet, two inches. Elwood Lewis of Delaware State finished first in the high jump with a jump of six feet, six inches.

Daniel Lovett of S. C. State won the 1600 meter run in a time of 4:20.1. Freshman Derrick Harris of S. C. State won the 100 meter dash in 10.8 seconds. Mike Archie of Howard annexed the 800 meters title with a run of 1:54.2. Larry Savage of Delaware State won the 3200 meter run in 10:00.6.

Maurice Raeford of Morgan State won the 110 meter high hurdles in 14.3 while William Griffin of Howard won the intermediate hurdles in 52.9.

S. C. State's winning 400 meter relay composed of Curtis Morton, Roderick White, Alan Winn and Derrick Harris was clocked in 41.4. William Griffin, Mike Archie, Zack Jones and Reggie Sojourner of Howard covered the 1600 meter relay in 3:2.4.

Robert Johnson, head track and field coach at South Carolina State, was named Coach of the Year by his fellow MEAC coaches.

### Spinners May Stage Benefit For Ailing Jackie Wilson

Buddy Allen, manager of the Spinners is meeting with Charles Gerson, owner of the famous Latin Casino in Cherry Hill, New Jersey, to discuss plans for a benefit performance to raise funds for the ailing Jackie Wilson. The Spinners in conjunction with Gerson are funding and sponsoring the show at the Latin Casino where Wilson was tragically stricken a little over a year ago.

The Spinners have taken an active interest in their friend's progress but have been forced to wait on doing a benefit until some of his (Wilson) legal matters were settled. The court has now appointed Edward Adourian as legal guardian and executor of the estate, and all funds raised from the benefit will go directly to him.

The Spinners and Allen are presently seeking additional top caliber acts to complete the bill for the show which is projected for early October. Allen explains, "We want to allow enough

time to organize the show and have big-name acts to



ATHLETIC BANQUET AT LIVINGSTONE COLLEGE - The Athletic Banquet, honoring All-American athletes at the Salisbury institution was held recently. Pictured are: (left to right) Coach Baxter Holman, Johnny Miller, Henry Lee, James Jackson, James Baker, and Larry Lee. Miller, Livingstone's All-American guard, received the Most Valuable Player Award.

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## ENTERTAINMENT



Johnny White & The Crusaders

### Johnny White To Release New Record Soon

"Johnny White, who heads the Crusaders Band is all business in his profession of music dealing. Johnny is cold hard business. My mother told me 'he that deals with a slack hand will surely come to want.' This will never happen to Johnny White. He keeps his business uptight, from what I can learn about him, and in my dealings with him," says Liggins, chief executive of the Black Gold Music Program and DNBRD. Liggins went on to say Johnny works under Atlantic Associates and it was out of this firm that Liggins learned of the release by Johnny White and the Crusaders. "I believe that more expanding of the

name Johnny White will come off of his next release as we are expanding our program fast" says Liggins, "and I believe in Johnny White, he is one band leader in Durham who owns his band and can speak for the group, and this is important in band business, to be able to talk to one man and complete your transaction. I don't own any part of Johnny White" says Liggins, "he's just another black man in the music business. I hope our DNBRD program can help."

have a nice weekend...

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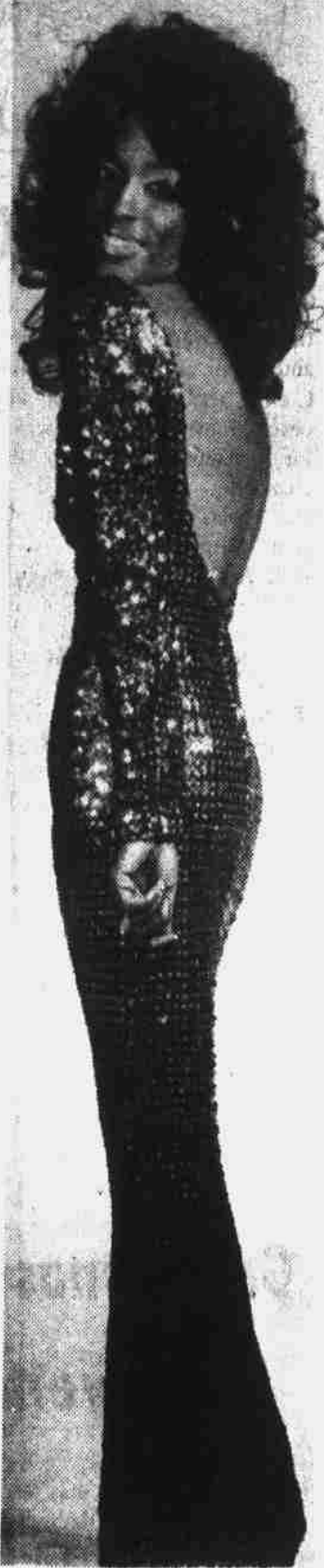


## Can Gwen McCrea Repeat No. 1 Record?

It seems just a few days ago that the whole music world was all ears to a young female vocalist from Miami, Fla., the name, Gwen McCrea. She had taken an old number from the works of B. B. King titled 'Rock Me Baby' turned it around to 'Rocking Chair' and had a million seller record on her hands. "I had been in Miami and met Gwen. She was in a small studio rehearsing a number with George who produced a big record 'Rock Your Baby'. They were preparing for a duet but after single artist success on a test dub they both came out as single artist. Gwen came out on the road and made her rounds behind her record. But to stay on top she needs another record. It's almost a year and she hasn't had a repeat. The entertainment field is hard and cruel. It's hard to top the number one record especially if you go that big on your first record. You haven't built up the following that you would if you have several big records before you top the country with one really big hit. Will Gwen McCrea come back with one? We hope so, but she had better hurry. Out of sight is out of mind."

### Celery Tips

When you buy celery, make sure it's crisp. It should also be glossy, and have a light to medium green stalk with a solid, rigid feel. The leaflets should be fresh and mostly green. Store celery in a cold place. To refresh slightly wilted celery, put the butt end in water for a few minutes.



GWEN MCCREA

## S. C. State Students To Perform With Disney

ORANGEBURG - Margo and Ralph Williams, brother and sister from Orangeburg and dramatic arts majors at South Carolina State College have been selected to participate in the Disney/Cal Arts works experience program this summer.

Margo will perform at Disneyland in Anaheim, Cal. and Ralph will perform at Disney World in Orlando, Fla. Both young entertainers will have parts in "The Kids of the Kingdom," composed of singers and dancers who

entertain the guests of "The Wonderful World of Disney."

The work experience program is made up of talented college students interested in the field of entertainment. The Orangeburg brother and sister were chosen from more than 2,000 applicants nationwide, and were the only two chosen from the state of South Carolina.

Members of the nationally-acclaimed Henderson-Davis Players at the S. C. State College, Margo and Ralph hold memberships with the Psi Phi cast of Alpha Psi Omega Dramatic Honor Society.

They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. John N. Sr. of Orangeburg.



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