

Gold Bowl Set-Rams Vs. S.C. State

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Winston Salem State University's undefeated football team will make the first Bowl appearance in the schools history Saturday when they travel to Richmond, Va. to take on the Mid Eastern Athletic Conference champion South Carolina State Bulldogs in the Gold Bowl.

The undefeated Rams, sporting a perfect 11-0 record for the season, captured their first CIAA football championship in more than three decades to 1977.

The Rams team came to beating the Rams was a seven point victory over Norfolk State in their fifth game of the season.

The Bulldogs coached by Willie Jeffries will be making their second straight appearance in the CIAA-MEAC championship game. They defeated Norfolk State in the post season classic last season when it was called the Bicentennial Bowl by a 26-10 margin. The Bulldogs were ranked No. 1 among NCAA Division II schools until losing to Wofford 39-21 in their final regular season game. They also were ranked as the top team in both black college polls for much of the season.

South Carolina State brings an 8-1-1 record into the game having tied Newberry. The Bulldogs run the veer offense. Nate Rivers is expected to be at the controls. The 6-2 180 pound junior is a top candidate for player of the year in the MEAC, rushing for nearly 1,000 yards during the season. Jesse Prather another junior will share the quarterbacking duties with Rivers. The Bulldogs don't pass very often during the season with halfback Ricky Anderson setting a new school and conference rushing record with 1,195 yards. He also scored 18 touchdowns. Charles Burgess will be his backfield mate. The 6-3 185 pound senior has good speed and is an excellent blocker. The key to the S.C. State running attack is a huge experienced offensive line led by tackles Albert Lester, and Milton Glover and guards Authur Prescott and Hugh Workman.

The Bulldogs will try to play ball control offense but defense is their strong fort. Top defensive players are tackles Bobby Moore 6-3 230 and Walter Sullivan 6-5 270. Tommy Brown heads up a strong secondary. Coach Jeffries, 39, and a veteran of 14 years of coaching, would make no prediction on the game other than to say, "We both have good quality players and the game should be a good one. Winston Salem State should obviously be favored since they are undefeated."

Bill Hayes, 34, in only his second year as a head coach countered saying, "They have an established program, while we are just starting out, but it should be a heck of a game." The Rams, who also run the veer are led by Kermit Blount, the CIAA's total offense leader with 1363 yards. Blount passed for 11,030 yards hitting on 55 of 122 passes good for eight touchdowns he ran for 333 more yards. The Rams ground attack is keyed by sophomore Timmy Newsome who led the team in rushing for the second straight year. The 6-3 200 pounder ran for 908 yards and 14 touchdowns despite missing the final game of the season with an injury. According to Hayes he should be 100% by game time Saturday. Freshman Arrington Jones and junior Randy Bolton will share the other runningback spot. Jones picked up 534 yards on the season while Bolton amassed 427. Both scored six touchdowns. Billy Diggs and Antonio Howard each caught 19 passes during the season but the real threat is swift George Miles who had only 8 catches but 5 of them went for touchdowns. Miles averaged an incredible 34.1 yards per catch. All-CIAA choices Robert Weeks at center and Gary Raiford at tackle are the top line performers. The ability of that line is underscored by the league leading 244.1 yards per game rushing average. The Rams were also first in the league in totaling offense (339.4 yards per game) and averaged almost 30 points per game.

The defense is led by All-American candidates James Winbush at tackle and Cornelius Washington at safety. Washington picked off 12 passes during the year tying him with Norfolk States Mike Ellis for the nation's leadership. Winbush led the team in tackles and quarterback sacks and was the defensive captain. Anderson was second to Winbush in tackles and he be the quickest defensive end in the nation.

The Rams defense was leading the nation in interceptions with 33 and adding nearly as many

fumble recoveries. They led the conference in scoring defense surrendering less than 13 points per game.

The difference in the game will be determined by which team controls the line of scrimmage for that team will control the ball and both teams use ball control offense. The game should be a very close one and both teams have excellent field goal kickers.

This one should be decided in the fourth quarter and that is the Rams' prediction. WSSU 24 SOUTH CAROLINA STATE 23

Fishing by George Booie

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We are moving into crappie weather. Cold weather presents an ideal climate, making fishing for big crappies ideal. Of all the angling that I have done, I have never caught fish without having my bait or lure in the water. Your catch too, will be in direct proportion to the number of hours your bait or lure is fished.

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When we think of the origin of fishing, it could be possible that the

first man, Adam, did some fishing himself when he was given, "dominion over the fish in the sea." Characters engraved or inscribed on the walls of ancient caves show the involvement of men in the art of angling. The Chinese, Egyptian, and Greek artifacts bore characters fishing during the years 200 to 3000 B.C. The very ancient history is evident of fishing more than 40,000 years ago.



The art has come a long ways when we consider the types of reels and lines we use today. When you share your ideas and methods with your fellow fishermen, you are making a contribution to the furthering of the art.

Don't forget, for bigger and better crappie fishing, the season is here.

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guard position they continued to pull away and led 81-59 with 3:09 left. Harold played with a wrestling head gear after taking 12 stitches in his ear earlier in the day. Grant's play at the point further illustrated the Rams depth as freshman sensation

Kenneth Nicholson missed his second consecutive game with a muscle pull. The young Rams were jubilant after the game. "I guess we proved something to the chief tonight," said a smiling Robinson. Terry added

that this squad can be better than last seasons championship team. The game was our first real test and we passed it. High Point is a good basketball team. We still need another rebounder however, and we weren't as smooth as we want to be offensively or defen-

sively. Mike (Robinson) did an excellent job on O'Brien and Gaines is coming along. All he needs is experience. We played well against their pressure defense and didn't lose the ball once."

Reginald Gaines followed Terry in scoring with 19 points and guard Luke Lowry matched Robinsons 12 points. The Rams will face Livingstone at Memorial Coliseum on Friday night December 2.

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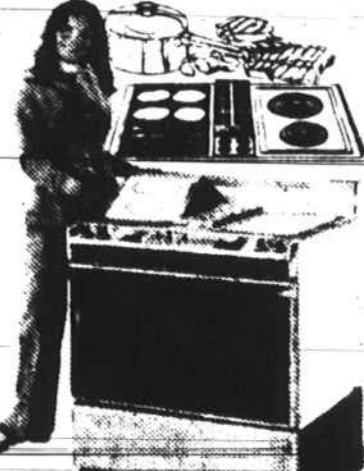
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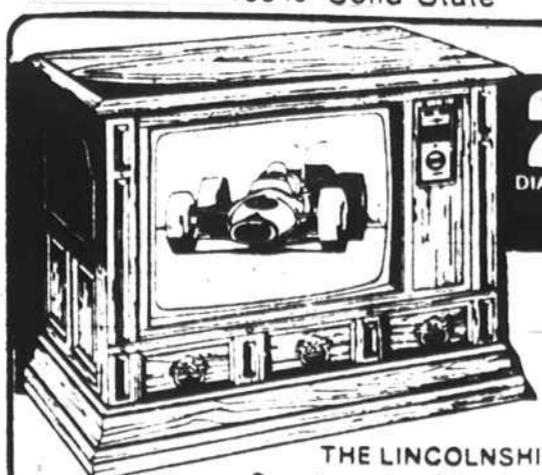
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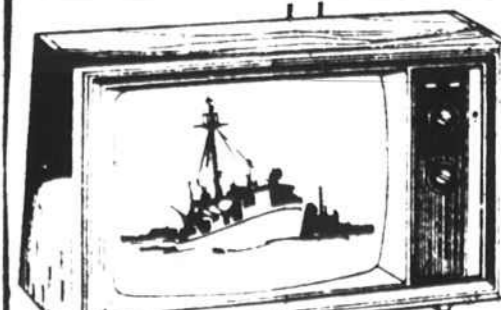


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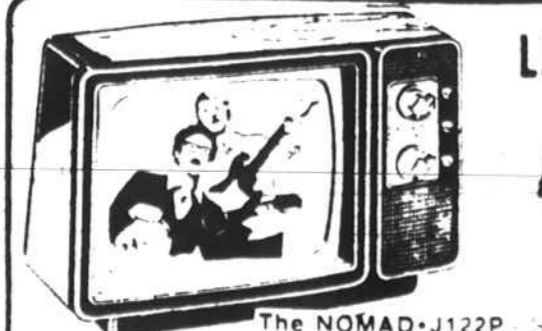
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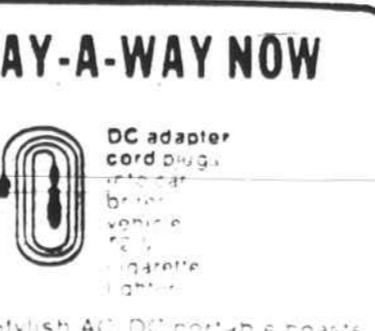


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had 12 as did Woodrow Johnson. Johnson was heralded as one of the top players ever to play high school ball in the city before injuries and personal problems ended his chances at a pro career. Also on that squad is former WSSU star Roger Wells and Alex Mackey who plans to attend junior college in January after a spectacular high school career at East Forsyth. Some say that Willie Coker, brother of Willard Coker who played on that Reynolds championship team with Cunningham and now attends Virginia Union may be the best guard in the league bar none! The North Oak Stars are not without their stars either. A&T's Vincent Butler (6-5 200), 6-6 Bonell Blue, and 6-4 Clarence Reynolds give them strength up front and Cedric Howie (UNC-Charlotte) leads the backcourt and supplies firepower. Reynolds and Howie had 24 points each Sunday. Calloway Realty which will play its first game Sunday at 2:00 against the Jaguars has former NCCU and Globetrotter star Robert Little up front and standouts James Jackson and Leslie Booker to back him up.

If you want to see fast paced action with the flair of pro basketball check out the Big Apple League some Sunday. Another big advantage to watching these guys now as opposed to their college days is that it won't cost you a dime. ALL GAMES ARE FREE!

Cross-Country Championship

The CIAA Cross Country championship was held in Norfolk and St. Augustine's took first place with a score of 34. Virginia State College was second with a 49, and J.C.

Smith was third with a score of 89. St. Augustine's Dennis Sweet and Va. States Walter Spain tied for first place with a time 26:12. J.C. Smith Sim Fogel took third place with a time of 26:19.



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