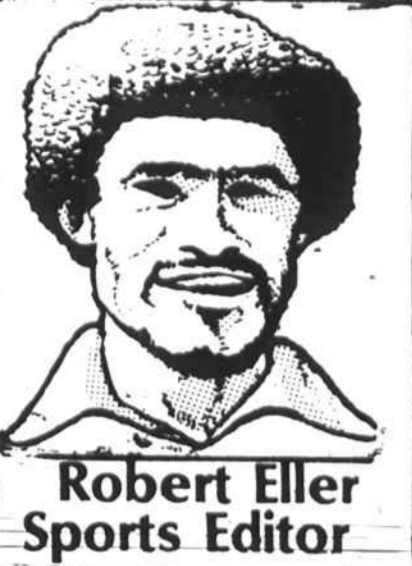


Black on Sports



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Sports Editor

There is an abundance of outstanding running backs in the NFL these days. With guys like Earl Campbell, Tony Dorsett, Walter Payton, Greg Pruitt, Delvin Williams, Terry Miller, Franco Harris and others it's no wonder the game gets more exciting every season.

This season there are at least two more backs on the scene that may break into the super category before their rookie seasons are over. Ottis Anderson of the St. Louis Cardinals could turn out to be the next Simpson. His initials are O.J. for Ottis Jerome and he rolled for 193 yards in his first game. William Andrews of Atlanta is a big bull in the mold of Harris and Campbell and he has gained over 100 yards in both his starts this season. Next year Billy Sims of Oklahoma will burst on the scene but in the CIAA there are three backs that bear watching if given a fair shot at the pros.

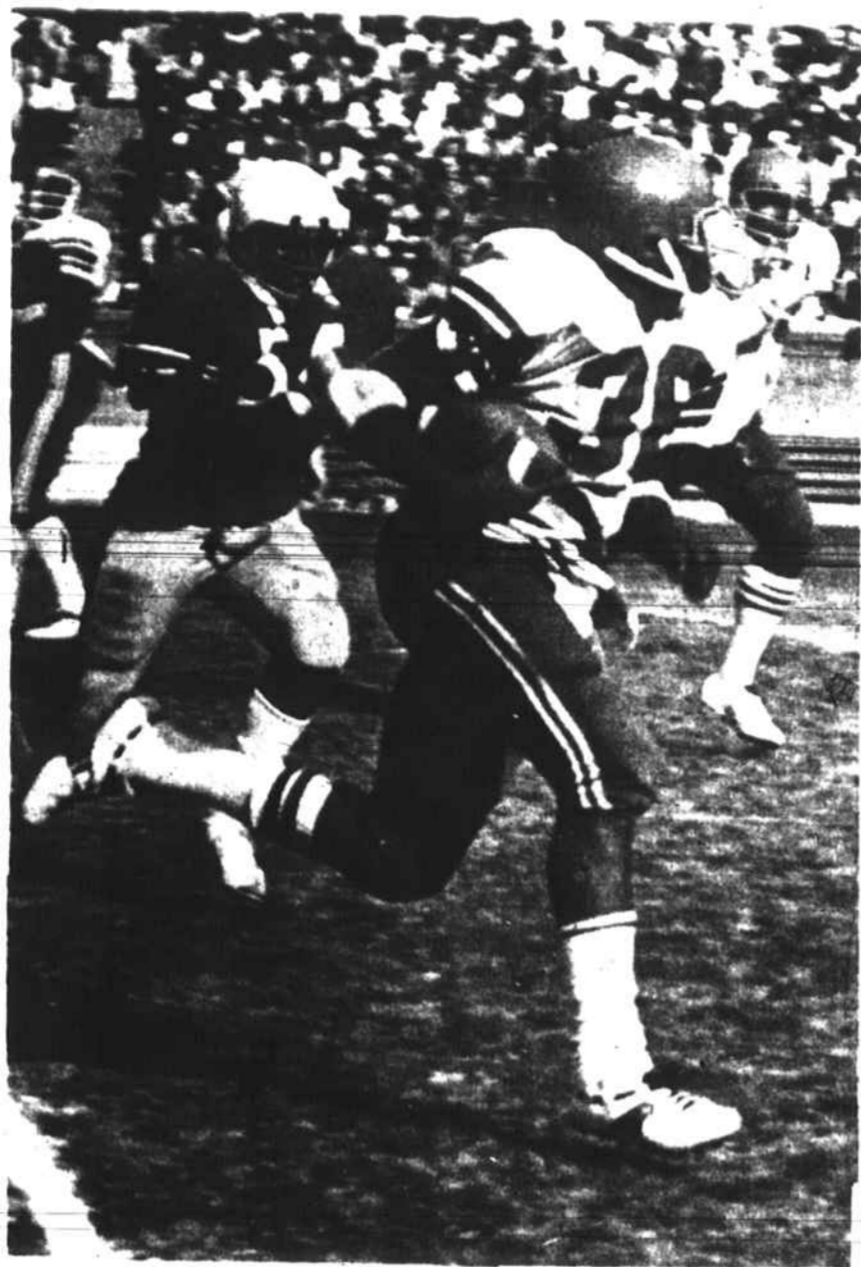
Winston-Salem State's Timmy Newsome was the best running back in the state last year. (Sorry about that Ted Brown fans, and after Saturday's 171 yard performance, and going over 3,000 for his career he had Charlie Taylor of the Redskins envisioning him in a Washington uniform next year. He is sure to go high in the draft.

George Leonard of Virginia State is another fine runner who is outstanding. At 5-11 200 he has the perfect build for a runner and he also has good speed. His 98 yards last year ranked second to Newsome's 1377 in the conference, and he is durable.

Norfolk State's LaRue Harrington is thought to be better than Newsome by Spartan followers. He rushed for more than 1,000 yards in each of his first two seasons and went over 400 in his first three games last season before going out for the rest of the season with an injury. At 6-1 210 he has the size and would you believe he is a 4.4 man in the 140.

Judge Thomas of Virginia Union looked to this writer to have everything the pros wanted when he left the CIAA last year but word is he didn't have his head together. Newsome, Harrington and Leonard are all three model athletes and their attitude shouldn't be a holdback in camp.

The bottom line for all three however is if they will be in the right place at the right time, since that is how a number of black college players make it. Still the pros recognize super talent when they see it and all three should be given a pretty good shot at making the NFL.



Timmy Newsome

Timmy Newsome Back On Track

All American running back Timmy Newsome has been picked as the Winston-Salem Chronicle's "Ram of the Week" after cracking the 3,000 yard barrier in his career this past week against Hampton.

The 6-3 220 senior ripped, rammed, bulled, and bolted his way to 171 yards in his quest to again lead the CIAA in rushing. His 1377 yard total last year was tops in the league in both rushing

and total defense.

Newsome entered the game needing 103 yards to reach the 3,000 mark after a 41 yard performance against N. C. A&T in the seasons opener.

Timmy looked on the way to reaching the plateau in the game before a sprained ankle - on his only pass reception of the game - sidelined him just before halftime.

Only trainer Buddy

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Ram Offense Romps, 41-14

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"When winners get their backs to the wall they come out fighting," said a smiling Bill Hayes as he left the field Saturday afternoon. Hayes, whose Rams had seen their 22 game regular season win streak halted last week by North Carolina A&T, did come out fighting against the Hampton Institute Pirates earlier in the day and the result was a convincing 41-14 rout of their CIAA opponent.

"We still have a lot of holes to fill and we are young in spots but everybody got a chance to play today and that will help us get these kids ready."

Before the kids came on late in the game, the old pros did their share of the damage. All American Timmy Newsome started things off by rambling 51 yards for a score on the teams second possession of the game. Five minutes later, Kermit Blount got into the act tossing a five yard scoring pass to Arrington Jones for a 13-0 lead with 4:02 left. That drive covered 64 yards in 10 plays.

After Hampton quarterback Herb Tollerson fooled the defense and darted 46 yards for a score on a sneak the Ram defense came up with the first of six Hampton turnovers. Daniel Jacobs' recovery at the Hampton 30 set up Blount's second TD pass to Jones—a three yarder with 11:30 left. Newsome bowled over for the two point conversion ending the scoring for the first half.

The Pirates seemed ready for a comeback when they took the second half kickoff and marched 64 yards in 8 plays to close within seven. Tollerson hit "Chicken" Smith with a 21 yard bullet at the 11:20 mark to climax the drive.

Things looked bad for the Rams when on their next possession they were faced with a fourth-and-seven at

their 49 but daring Antonio Howard faked the kick and ran 19 yards for a first down. Eight plays later John Turner, who alternated with Blount for much of the contest, scored on a three yard run and the flood gates were opened.

Turner's kickoff—on which he placed the ball flat on the tee—was recovered by Vincent Lilly but the Rams fumbled it back two plays later, their only turnover of the game.

After a Hampton punt, Hayes started to use his "Kids." Mike Ferguson replaced Arrington Jones in the backfield and after Jones recovered another Pirate fumble of a Howard punt he and Newsome combined to cover the 58 yards between the Rams and paydirt in 8 plays. On his fifth carry of the drive, the Danville freshman scored from the five giving the Rams a 34-14 cushion with 11:37 left.

Freshman Karlton Watson threw a 12 yard strike for his first college completion and score to end the blitz. The pass to tight end Rodney Taylor was set up when freshman linebacker Jerry McCullough intercepted a pass and returned it 16 yards to the Pirate 16.

Hayes joked about the fake punt which many felt was the games turning point. "Antonio asked me before the game if he could run if he saw the opening. I told him yes if they rushed inside and we were on their side of the 50 but he ran on our side and nearly gave me a heart attack."

Of his using four quarterbacks, (freshman Allen Wagd also saw action) he said, "I told Watson he had two plays and I was going to send in Greg Stokes (another freshman) but he threw the touchdown on the second play and we didn't get to use Stokes. We are not as strong as last year but we played four hard quarters and wore Hampton down. That's what we will have to do to win this year—play hard for four quarters."

WSSU Takes On NCCU This Saturday

By Robert Eller
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Bill Hayes got eh "KB Express" back on the track Saturday after its derailment by North Carolina A&T in the first outing of the season and he hopes to keep it on the right track this weekend when North Carolina Central, the coaches alma mater, comes to town to take the Rams.

Hayes, an All-American center for the Eagles during his college days, has a 2-1 record against his former school. Last year, his Rams beat the Eagles 24-18. The score was the closest any team got to stopping the Rams last year.

Defensively, the Eagles are sound with veteran tackles Kenneth Ramsey and Terry Brown and ends Greg Wylly and Gary Harris all back. The linebackers are seniors Chris Smith and Vernon Wilder. The secondary may be the weakest part of the defense and they are not bad.

This one will be closer than a lot of people think. Henry Lattimore's huddle offense will not get off that many plays, however; as their defense will spend most of the day trying to stop Newsome, Jones, Kirkpatrick and now freshman Mike Ferguson.

An upset is possible but not probable.
PREDICTION....WSSU 26 NCCU 20.

This Weekend

Central Provides Test

By Barry Cooper

Time has come for the season to get into full swing, which means I'll be making the predictions on the top games each week for you. This week's first prediction is easy. It involves defending NCAA Division I-AA champion Florida A&M. Here's how the week's top games look:

Albany State at Florida A&M

Last year, the Rattlers squeaked by 21-7 in Albany. It won't be nearly as close this year. Albany State has lost some key players and has a squad that is dominated by freshmen. The Rams are going to need a while for some of those players to gain some experience. The Rattlers should teach them a few things.

A&M is also minus some key starters, but — the Rattlers can borrow a slogan from Grambling's Eddie Robinson: "We don't rebuild. We just reload." At any rate, it should be a long day for Albany State. Prediction: A&M by 35 points.

Grambling at Alcorn State

Grambling won in a close one last year, 21-13, and this year's game should also be close. Alcorn is trying to improve on a squad that went 5-4-1 last year and returns most of its key players. Grambling went 9-1-1 last season and is strong again. This game is also on ABC television and is a Southwestern Athletic Conference game. That makes it a biggie. No upset here, though. Prediction: Grambling by 10.

Maryland-Eastern Shore at Howard

This should be another interesting game. Maryland-Eastern Shore opened the season with a 35-19 thrashing of unknown Bowie State. Eastern Shore went only 3-8 last year; but look much improved this time around. Eastern Shore beat Howard 23-21 last year. This year it'll be easier. Prediction: Eastern Shore by 15.

Southern at Texas-Southern

This is a Southwestern Athletic Conference game, which puts pressure on Southern University head

coach Cass Jackson. Earlier this summer, Jackson predicted his team would win the SWAC. A good way to start would be by beating Texas Southern. Southern won 20-11 last year. Prediction Southern by 7.

Southern Illinois at Tennessee State

This will be the first meeting ever between mostly-white Southern Illinois and Tennessee State. Southern Illinois lost 14-0 to West Texas State in its opener. Tennessee State has got a powerhouse. Prediction: Tennessee State by 10 in an upset.

Elizabeth City at Virginia State

This is almost a tossup. Both teams got shutout in their openers. Elizabeth City lost to Central State 8-0, and Virginia State lost to South Carolina, 28-0. Elizabeth City won this game 15-14 last year. I'm tempted to just call this one even. But instead it looks like Virginia State. Prediction: Virginia State by 3.

Norfolk State at Fayetteville State

The Spartans are rolling. Norfolk State blew out St. Paul's 41-0 in its opener and should have no troubles with Fayetteville State. FSU dropped its opener 24-0 to Kentucky State. It looks like a long year for the lads from Fayetteville, N.C. Norfolk State won 34-12 last year. Prediction: Norfolk State by 34.

North Carolina Central at Winston-Salem State

This should be a good game. Winston-Salem won last year, 24-18. Mystery surrounds both of these clubs early in the season, but I'm going with the Rams in a low scoring game. Prediction: Winston-Salem by 6.

Tuskegee at Morris Brown

Tuskegee beat Morris Brown 17-7 last year. This is a hard game to pick because Tuskegee changed coaches during the off-season and Lambert Reed in pretty crafty at Morris Brown. But somebody's got to win. Prediction: Tuskegee by 17.

Virginia Union at Johnson C. Smith

Virginia Union romped 36-0 over Johnson C. Smith last year. No more need be said. Prediction: Virginia Union by 30.

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