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Grambling Top Ranked

The Mutual Black Network is putting out a Top 10 Black College Football Poll this year, and so far, the results have been excellent. In the poll of Sept. 18, Grambling was ranked first, Jackson State second, South Carolina State third, Florida A&M fourth, and Southern University fifth.

Rounding out the top 10 were Winston-Salem State, Norfolk State, Morris Brown, North Carolina A&1, and Howard.

Ed Thompson, sports director at Mutual Black Network, said his network intends to expand the poll next year. He said the voting is done by a panel of 116 coaches and four sportwriters.

Gaines Top Prospect

The college basketball season won't get under way until late October or early November, but pro scouts are already making flight plans for Winston-Salem. The scouts are particularly interested in Reggie Gaines, Winston-Salem's 6-foot-6 forward. He could be the first player from Winston-Salem to make it big in the pros since Earl "The Pearl' Monroe...

#### **Triplett Gone**

Florida A&M is still reeling from the effects of losing head basketball coach Ajac Triplett. A dozen people or so have applied for Triplett's job, but nobody has been hired

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#### **N.C.Mutual Officer Dies**

Murray J. Marvin, senior vice-president, corporate planning and communications at North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co., died Sept. 24. He was 66.

A native of Green County, Ohio, he graduated from West Virginia State College and recieved his MBA degree from the University of Chicago. He also attended General Theological Seminary.

Marvin was a vestryman and licensed lay reader at St. Titus Episcopal Church and a member of the Brotherhood of St. Andrews. He was listed in the following Who's Who: In America, in Black America, in Finance and Industry and in Life Insurance.

Memorial Services for Mr. Marvin will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 29 at St. Phillips Episcopal Church and at 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 30 at St. Titus Episcopal Church.

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# Black College Scoreboard Panthers Derail WSSU Express

By Robert Eller Sports Editor

With the engineer sidelined with an injury the K.B. Express used most of its steam on a 76 yard run by Timmy Newsome early in the first quarter Saturday night at City Stadium in Richmond, Va.

But the run was called back because of a clip and the Express sputtered, coughed, and eventually was brought to a complete stop by a tough and opportunistic Panther defense as Virginia Union beat the Rams 13-0.

The loss was the Rams first in conference play since 1976. It ws also the first time WSSU had been shut out in the regular season since losing to Guilford 51-0 in a 1-9 1975 season. The conference loss dropped the

Rams to 2-1 in the CIAA an 2-2 overall. The fired up Panthers, who had never beaten a Bill Hayes-coached team, took the game's opening kickoff and quickly established their running game, moving to the Rams 12 yard line on six

successive running plays. But with a first and 10 at the WSSU 12 Robert Johnson cornered speedy Malcolm Barnwell and threw him for a 20 yard loss. Two plays later a 34 yard field goal by Wilbert Whaff was wide.

After Newsôme's run was called back and the Rams were forced to punt Union again got rolling. With the key play being a 30 yard pass from quarterback Curtis Brandon to James Ferebee, the marched to the Ram 28 before failing on a fourth and four situation.

On their second possession of the second quarter the Panthers finally got into the end zones. They moved 68 yard in 11 plays after an Antonio Howard punt. Nathan Fairly got the score on a one yard run, but Brandon's passing was the key to the drive. He completed three of four passes for 46 yards. The



Timmy Newsome TD Run Called Back

conversion attempt was blocked and the Panthers led 6-0 at the 6:40 mark.

Thwarted in their attempt to get the offense rolling, WSSU found themselves faced with a fourth down at their 27 following the score. Antonio Howard came on to punt and when rushed attempted to run for the first down. He made only four of the seven yards needed adn Union took over at the Rams

Three plays later tight end Danny Thomas stole a Brandon pass from three Ram defenders. The conversion was good for the final margin of 2:30 left in the half.

WSSU seemed to get untracked on their second possession of the third quarter. Starting at their own 30 they used 8 plays, the biggest being a 37 yard pass from John Turner to Rodney Taylor, to get to the Panther one yard line, but on fourth and goal, Turner faked a handoff and the ball popped

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