Black College Sports Black Schools In Post-Season Play

Sports Illustrated, in its college football preview issue, says black college teams Grambling, North Carolina A&T and Norfolk State should all advance to postseason play this winter. The magazine says Grambling and A&T should make the Division I-AA playoffs. SI rates Florida A&M as a sleeper in Division I-AA.

\$50,000 Game

Florida A&M and Grambling may need to take Wells Fargo trucks along when they travel to New York Sept. 5 for a football game. The two-day trip will cost the schools almost \$50,000 a piece! FAMU, for example, will spend \$27,000 on airfare, plus \$2,600 for ground transportation. The Rattlers will be headquartered at the Sheraton Centre, where rooms, at the group rate, are \$59 per night. Coach Rudy Hubbard's suite will cost \$250 nightly. And when the team settles down for hot chocolate and donuts Friday night, the tab will be \$5.45 per person. Dinner Saturday night, featuring prime rib, will be \$33 per person. Soft drinks are not included and are \$1.25 each.

Neither team should lose money on the trip, though. They'll split 80 percent of the gate receipts, with the New York Urban League getting the remaining 20 percent. Some 50,000 fans are expected in Yankee Stadium for the game.

Who Produces Most?

What black college produces the most pro football players? It's Jackson State. Last year, the Tigers had 21 former players in the NFL, including Chicago's Walter Payton. Only six schools, all predominantly white, had more alumni in the pros.

Pro Scouts Drooling

Pro scouts are drooling over Bethune-Cookman defensive end Booker Reese. He's 6-foot-7, and runs the 40-yard dash in 4.7 seconds. That's not bad for a man who tips the scales at 260 pounds. Says Philadelphia Eagles personnel director Carl Peterson, "He's so quick off the ball, sometimes he's not even touched."

Other black college players high on pro scout's lists are Morris Brown free safety Ricky Eberhart, North Carolina A&T defensive end James Williams and Tuskegee linebacker Kenneth Woodward.

Morris Brown's Eberhart, says the Atlanta Falcons' Tom Braatz, "is the best small-college prospect in the country."

Press Guides

Black college press guides are starting to roll off the presses, and so far, Alcorn State and Hampton Institute have the most attractive guides of any small college I've seen...Alcorn State football coach and athletic director Marino Casem commenting on attempts by some schools to push small colleges off network TV: "I think the 'haves' are trying to push the 'have nots' right out of existence. We have reached a position in the NCAA where all parties, regareless of division, can exist in a manner in which they are accustomed to existing and do well."



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All-CIAA Candidates

New Fayetteville State University football coach William "Bill" Head has three solid potential All-Conference candidates he recently welcomed back for the 1981 pigskin campaign recently during pre-season drills. The three Broncos, pause to look at playbook, are (L-R) Senior Tightend, Johnny Burns of Ansonville, N.C., FSU's leading receiver last year with nine catches, 1 TD, and 274 yards; Barney Mason, defensive end and senior from Ft. Myers, Fla., was a leader in solo tackles and defensive stalwart; and two-time All-CIAA punter senior Bertie Wadford who averaged over 40 yards a punt, will be seeking his third title in the conference and possible pro football career, is a native of St. Stephens, South Carolina.

Broncos Prepare For Season Opener

Fayetteville, NC -- Rayettecos" Sept. 5 when FSU Ken Tillman. entertains cross-town foe Ft. Bragg in a non-conference encounter.

CIAA conference have picked the Bronco-men to finish fourth in the newly aligned Southern and Northern Division CIAA format.

Last year with a 3-5-1 coach began. mark overall, the FSU-men led the league in total defense averaging only a ing the system. I feel we stingy 163.8 yards to opin the CIAA in scoring of our veterans are getting defense averaging 11.1, into mid-season form." second in the conference in rushing defense allowing and just sever TDs.

ville State University's new the defense have departed football coach William via the graduation route in "Bill" Head will unveil his All-CIAA defensive Ike didate is senior Jackson-1981 edition of the "Bron- Hall and All-CIAA tackle ville, FL native running-New first-year coach

"Bill" Head is nevertheless optimistic about the The "experts" of the upcoming campaign. "We will be small but will be highly competive, and

we'll show up to play every game," the likeable former Morris Brown College "Our kids are coming

along rather will and learnare making substantial proponents. They were second gress at this point and some

One of those veterans is two-time All-CIAA punter only 79.7 yards per outing senior Bertie Wadford who will be seeking his third

However, two stalwarts in title this year after averaging over 40 yards a boot last vear. Another CIAA can-

West Side runs in his three inning stint. Fulp pitched hitless ball over the final two frames. the first inning. back Reggie Williams, who Greene reached second despite an injury, rushed when Rip Wilkins misplayfor over 500 yards and two ed his fly ball to left for a TDs. Senior tight end two base error. Babe John-Johnny Burns, another son's single moved Greene bright spot on offense last to third and he scored on Ty campaign, will be trying to Evans sacrifice fly. better his 12 grabs last West Side came back with season for 274 yards and four runs in the second. one touchdown. Whit Lowry, who was

Wilkins ground out. After Anky Lowry walked, Pookic Bailey doubled to left scoring Lowry. Center fielder Arthur Neely singled and pitcher Bill Dickey scored both with a double to left. Don Johnson then sent Dickey, who had moved to third on a wild pitch, home with a sacrifice fly. East Side closed to 4-2 in their half of the second on a walk to Gaither, a single by Frazier and an error. East Side added their final

Eastside Wins

Old Timers Game

named the game's Most

Valuable Player, tripled to

right center and scored on

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Former Pond Giant Floyd

Former Indian and Pond

Doug Mitchell another for-

mer Giant who pitched the

Lonnie Barker led off the

fifth by popping out to the

thirdbaseman before Gai-

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previously, singled to cen-

ter. Allison Frazier drew a

walk bringing up Greene.

who had reached base twice

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three plate appearances.

Greene stroked the first

offering to right scoring

George Fulp was the win-

ner in relief of Ed Greene who gave up all six of the

The winners struck first in

fourth.

Gaither.

two runs in the third. Whit Lowry and Wilkins hit back to back singles with one out. After Anky Lowry grounded out Bailey repped

game to score both. West Side got back to within two in their half of th inning. A.J. Cole walked and went to third on Ed Greene's double. scored on Lonnie Barker's ground out and Greene

came in on a passed ball.

They tied the score in the fourth against Mitchell who took over for Dickey. Babe Johnson walked and moved to second on a wild pitch. He got to third on an Evans groundout and scored when Whit Lowry failed to pick up Cole's grounder at second. He then came around to score on two wild pitches and a passed ball, knotting the game and setting the stage for Green's his second double of the hit in the following inning.

CIAA Sports Information

Cherry Named Vice President

Salisbury, N.C. -- Wilson R. Cherry, Director of Public Relations and Sports Informations at Livingstone College has been elected Vice-President of the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association's Public Relations and Sports Information Associations.

The organization was formed to promote greater visibility for student athletes in their academic, athletic and community endeavors. Joint efforts will be made to bring about a better working relationship between the mass media and the fourteen member institutions in North Carolina, Virginia and Maryland.

Cherry is a graduate of Catawba College in Salisbury, N.C., a member of the College News Association of the Carolina's National Basketball Writer's Association, Rowan Cooperative Christian Ministry, and the Trinity United Presbyterian Church

Central To Win CIAA South Division

By Barry Cooper Sports Correspondent

When North Carolina Central noticed how big the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference was becoming, the Eagles quickly left the league for a smaller conference. Central didn't go far. The Eagles joined the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association, and in their first year won the CIAA championship. That was last season, and

you can look for Central to challenge for the title again

Of the two CIAA divisions -- North and South -- the South seems the weaker. That means Central should easily breeze to the South title this year, if it can hold off challenges from Winston-Salem State and Johnson C.

This is how the South division race should go:

FIRST -- North Carolina Central. SECOND -- Winston-Salem State. THIRD -- Johnson C. Smith.

FOURTH -- Fayetteville State.

FIFTH -- Livingstone. SIXTH -- Bowie State.

NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL (7-5, 7-0 in the CIAA last year) swept through league play unbeaten last year, and return 15 starters. There are some problems, however. The Eagles lost their top two quarterbacks to graduation, and also lost their top wide receiver and two top linemen. But the first three running backs return: Roscoe Burnett (660 yards), Michael Worthy (561) and Bennie Tate (376). There are also some pretty good linemen back to block for Burnett and Co. Tackles Clarence Kenny (6-1, 250) and Charles Bush (5-10, 245) return.

Central probably will not go unbeaten in the league this year, but the Eagles look strong enough to win the CIAA South.

WINSTON-SALEM (5-5, 5-2) may have to win with young players. Quarterback Karlton Watson is the top returnee. He hit 52 percent of his passes and ranked second in the CIAA. Center Barry Traynham anchors what should be a young offensive line. There is a pretty good nucleus of returnees on defense, led by linemen Lawaskia Jenkins and Alvin Barnes.

JOHNSON C. SMITH (4-7, 3-4) is full of optimism despite a losing season a year ago. The Bulls started to climb in the standings last year, and lost a couple of games by close margins. With some luck, last year could have been a winning season, so it's entirely possible JCS could challenge for the CIAA crown this year.

The Bulls return 15 starters, including All-CIAA safety Alveraz Abernathy. A big loss, however, will be allamerica defensive end Daniel Beauford. He's academically ineligible.

FAYETTEVILLE STATE (3-5, 2-5) will likely suffer another dismal season. The Broncos lost most of their top players to graduation. It could be a long year.

LIVINGSTONE (0-10, 0-7) didn't win a game last season, so anything will be an improvement. Mel Rose was plucked off the South Carolina State staff to try and breathe some life into Livingstone's program. That won't be easy. Things could get better, though. The Bears started a youth program last year, starting as many as 16 freshmen. In a couple of years, Livingstone could be respectable, but not this year.

BOWIE STATE (2-8-1, 1-5) will battle Livingstone for the cellar. Coach John Organ has another young squad, but finishing ahead of Livingstone would make this team's year.



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