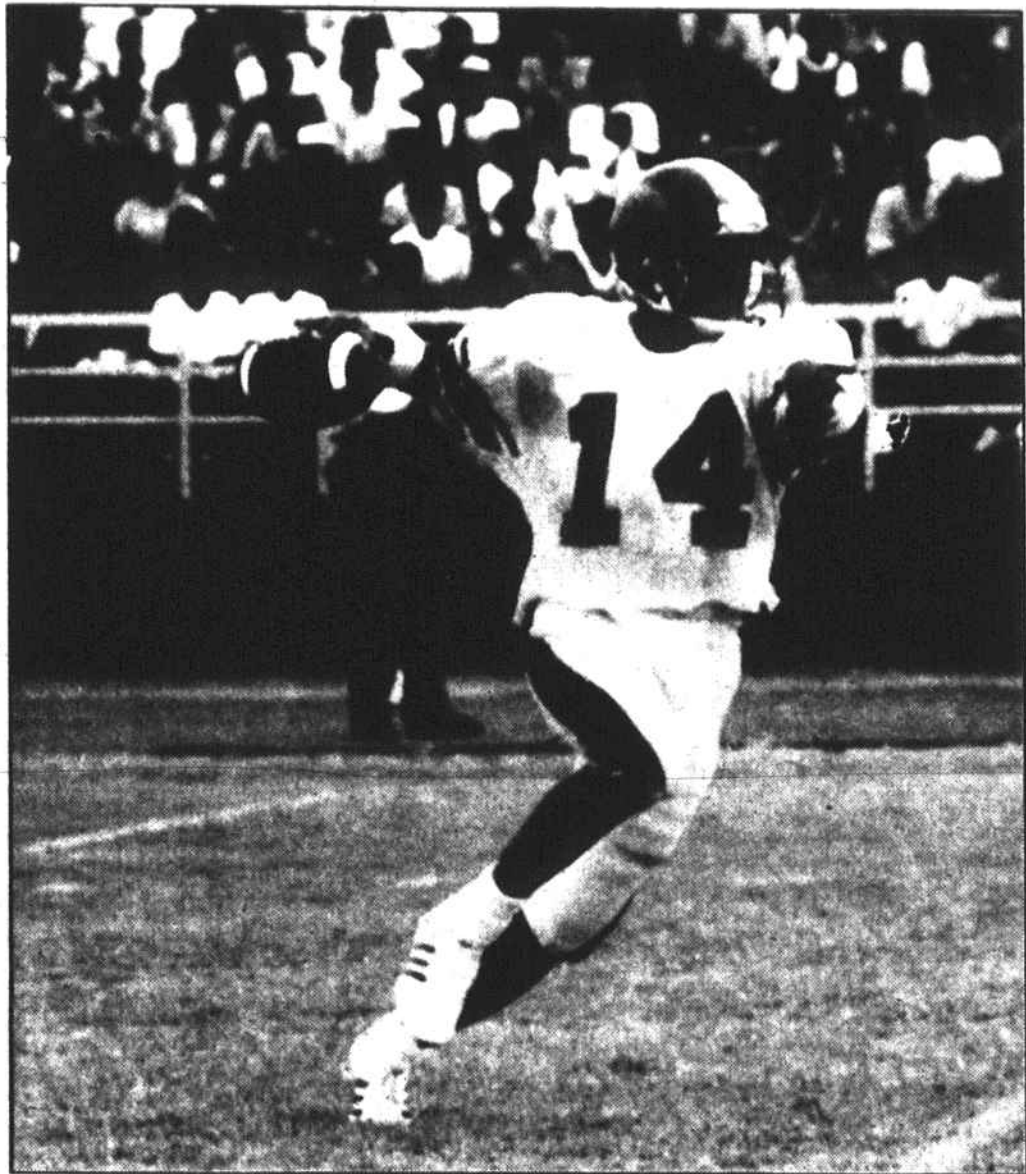


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## Rams Lose To Wofford 52-35; Prepare For Hampton Saturday



Starting Rams quarterback Rovell McMillan will be at about 80 percent during Saturday's contest with the Pirates

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Halloween served up a tainted trick as Wofford delivered a 52-35 treat to a banged up Winston-Salem State University football team.

The Rams fell to 6-3 overall and remained 4-0 in the CIAA. The Terriers improved to 5-4 overall.

In 1991, Terrier Quarterback Shawn Graves, proved to be the Rams nemesis, in leading a Wofford come from behind charge that ended with the Rams losing 42-35.

Although the year is different, Wofford produced the same result. Entering last Saturday's contest, the Rams were allowing only 233.9 yards of total offense and only 94 yards rushing per contest. Wofford exploited an injury plagued Ram team, to pile up 487 yards of total offense, 405 of which, were rushing yards.

The concern has mounted for the Rams. "They got an early fumble and scored and from that point on we were fighting an uphill battle," said Coach Pete Richardson of WSSU. "We got beat by the best Division II player in the country."

The only bright spots for the Rams was the return of Richard

Huntley and the stellar defensive play of Terrence Graves. Huntley sat out the Rams last contest against Bowie State for breaking team rules. Huntley led the Rams on Saturday with 139 yards and three touchdowns. Graves had 12 tackles and an interception.

The 17 point pounding could not have come at a worse time. Next Saturday's contest against Hampton University will decide who represents the CIAA in post season play. "I think it'll be a big challenge. We are going to have to take it to them," said Richardson.

Hampton is enduring one of its best football seasons in the schools history. They are 7-1-1 overall and 5-0-1 in the CIAA. The Pirates 5-0 start in the CIAA, is their best start since 1976.

During their 1991 campaign, Hampton finished in the cellar of the CIAA with a 2-9 record. Entering this year, the Pirates returned most of its starters but received an entirely new coaching staff and were not picked to finish higher than fifth. "Coming into this year, we knew that if we were going to get anywhere this year, our work ethic and attitude would have to change," said Coach Joe Taylor of

Hampton. "Hard work is the easiest thing for success."

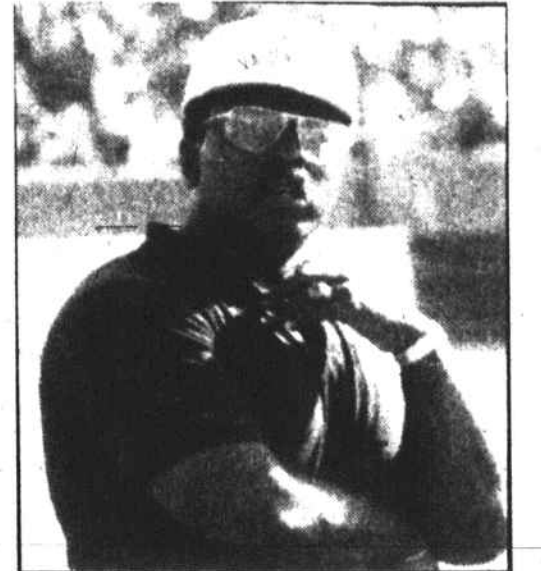
The coaching match-up is just as impressive as their teams. Taylor, in his 10th year as a head coach, has a career record of 68-30-4 with a .686 winning percentage. Richardson, in his sixth year as Rams head coach, has compiled a 40-13-1 record with .750 winning percentage. Taylor, along with Richardson, is not a stranger to CIAA championships. Taylor won his first and only CIAA championship in 1986 while coaching at Virginia Union University.

Hampton is currently in second place in the CIAA. The ironic twist to the contest on Saturday for Hampton will be the scheduling. The Rams will not count as a conference game for the visiting Pirates, but will count the game as a conference game on their schedule. Hampton has completed its six game CIAA schedule whereas the Rams have Hampton and Livingstone to play before finishing their season.

In a scintilla note of history, the Rams won their third consecutive CIAA championship 20-6 at Hampton last year.

Hampton ranks first in the

CIAA in total team offense and total team defense. Hampton is averaging 473.2 yards of offense per game. No other team in the CIAA is averaging more than 355 total yards of offense



Joe Taylor  
Hampton Coach

per game. "We aren't going to do anything special for the game. They are scoring a lot of points and executing really well," said Richardson.

Their defense is just as good. They are allowing an average of

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Reynolds junior varsity coach James Alexander huddles with his offensive unit prior to the Dudley game

## JV Game Of The Week Dudley Opens The Play; Pounds Reynolds, 34-18

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Dudley used an explosive offensive attack to route Reynolds 34-18 in a key Central Piedmont Conference battle.

The Dudley victory sets up tonight's match-up that features Parkland against Dudley in Greensboro. The winner will be crowned Central Piedmont Conference champion.

Dudley took the opening kickoff and immediately marched for a quick score. On their first play from scrimmage, Panther Quarterback Marcus Ragsdale threw a 63 yard completion to Quentin Davis, who was tackled on the two yard line. The Panthers later took it in but missed the extra point.

Reynolds rebounded with some offense of their own. On their first possession, they amassed four first downs and covered 70 yards. Tedrick Hill capped off the drive

with an eight yard run to even the score at 6-6 with 1:17 remaining in the first quarter. Reynolds QB Ramon McCullum was stuffed on the extra point conversion.

Dudley answered the bell. Quentin Davis took the Demon kickoff on the 5-yard line, faked a reverse and returned it to the Panther 30-yard line. The Panthers continued to drive. On fourth and three, Ragsdale rolled left, faked a pass and rambled for 15 yards and a first down. After several rushing attempts, Ragsdale completed a 26 yard pass to Nakia Bell for a touchdown with 4:30 remaining in the half.

During the extra point, Ragsdale rolled right to complete the conversion and the Panthers went ahead 14-6.

The Demons next possession proved to be the turning point. The Demons drove the entire length of the field to the Panther 14-yard line

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## Predominately Black College Golf Is On the Verge of Existence

Predominately black college golf has awakened from a deep-rooted dream but has yet to become a pleasant reality. "I think black college golf is improving. More teams and schools are showing interest in starting programs," said Coach Burle Bowens of Hampton University. Coach Bowens is also President of the National Black College Coaching Association. "Our black kids haven't had the experience and exposure. There are still limited in certain events."

Jackson State University has been a dominant force in black college golf for the past five years. They are currently the reigning SWAC and Black College national champions. They have beat teams such as: the University of Alabama-Birmingham, Northwestern University, Tennessee Tech University, Louisville and Nebraska just to name a few.

"Black Colleges are coming along but we need money. Without the money you can't recruit quality players," said Coach Eddie Payton of Jackson State.

The milieu surrounding the Jackson State program is a little different. There is a large lacuna in

black college golf after studying the JSU situation.

The name Payton, is worth its weight in gold in the state of Mississippi. Both Eddie and his famous brother Walter Payton, were standouts at Jackson State and are therefore more apt to receive financial assistance from the community. The Tiger golf team flies to certain tournaments around the country and they are sponsored in part by Nike, Coors and Pizza Hut. These three sponsors have enabled JSU to host their own tournament during the Fall and the Spring for the past four years.

"When Tennessee State University decided to join the Ohio Valley Conference in 1987, it had to add a golf team," said Coach Dr. Catana Starks of TSU. "Black college golf is an opportunity for blacks and it will provide blacks with another way to get an education."

The ironic scenario to the Tennessee State situation is interesting. During the last five years, Dr. Starks has recruited 15 golfers, eight of which have been white. Only two completed one full season, the rest didn't last one month.

TSU isn't alone. Several of this

years top teams competing in the National Black College Championships in Atlanta, such as Jackson State, Florida A&M, Fayetteville State and Kentucky State, carried a plethora of white athletes. The 1992

have been held in Ponte Vedra, Florida at PGA Tour headquarters, would have placed the best black against the best white universities with proceeds helping the black institutions.

### COMMENTARY

By SAM PURYEAR

Fall results from the championship held in Atlanta are as follows:

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| 1) Jackson State Univ.  | 7) Southern Univ.    |
| 2) St. Augustine        | 8) Hampton Univ.     |
| 3) Florida A&M          | 9) Kentucky State    |
| 4) Texas Southern       | 10) Johnson C. Smith |
| 5) South Carolina State | 11) Tennessee State  |
| 6) Fayetteville State   | 12) Alcorn State     |

The Professional Golf Tour was considering creating a special tournament for the top six black teams, in the country. The six teams were to have been chosen at the Atlanta tourney.

The tournament, which would

The tournament never got off of the ground. "We decided to put more financial support into our intern program. We also discovered that several of the top black college teams are almost all white," said Ruffin Beckwith Vice President of Corporate Affairs with the Tour. "Hosting a tournament under those circumstances would have been defeating the purpose."

In 1992, the Tour created an intern program for minorities across the United States. It geared its program for minority golfers at the predominantly black schools but kept applications open to all minorities.

The program had 14 spots last year, but will increase the program to 19 for 1993.

Although several black collegiate golf programs are thriving, others are not in existence. During the early 60's, Winston-Salem State University had one of the best black college golf teams in the country. WSSU won the CIAA golf championship from 61-65. In 1992, WSSU does not have a golf team.

During the 60's, Morgan State, Howard, St. Paul, North Carolina A&T, and Virginia Union University had golf programs. Golf is no longer in existence at any of these institutions but yet each year, part of their Alumni Homecoming festivities includes a golf tournament.

Solving the countries golf crisis will not happen overnight. Black colleges are going to have to become cognizant of the current situation of high school golf programs across the country. After they locate the programs, these same institutions are also going to have to participate the current golf system.

Summer junior golf programs, elementary, middle and high school golf programs are going to need some reformation. Parents, educa-

tors, communities and even politicians are needed if equality will ever be rendered in golf.

The world needs minorities from every facet of life, to attack the established beliefs, that minorities can only contribute to the game of golf by being caddies. African-Americans should not be obfuscated by the games history.

In 1896 John Shippen, a black pro from New Jersey, gained respect in the United States as being one of the top golfers. Shippen is also one of the first few persons to ever play golf in this country.

African-Americans have owned golf courses. Renee Powell, the second black female professional golfer on the LPGA Tour, grew up playing on a course owned by her father in Ohio.

The foundation has been laid. African-Americans do not have Jack, Arnie, Chi Chi and Gary to look up to but they do have Charlie, Ted, Calvin and John to thank. African-Americans no longer have to cadge anyone for the opportunity to play.

African-Americans can determine their own destiny playing the game of golf.