

MEAC Football Roundup

MEAC Falls To Outside Teams

By Earl Mason
Special To The Post

DURHAM—Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference teams found the going tough against non-conference teams Saturday, losing all five non-league contests. South Carolina State jumped back into the conference title picture with a convincing victory over Howard.

S.C. State increased its record to 2-1, both in league play and in all games with a 40-0 win over Howard Saturday afternoon in Washington, D.C. In non-conference action, a fourth quarter rally by A&T fell short as the Aggies dropped a 24-22 decision to Florida A&M Saturday night in Tallahassee, Fla. North Carolina Central gave nationally ranked Alcorn A&M a battle before falling, 23-17, in Lorman, Mississippi. Maryland-Eastern Shore dropped its third straight game of the year, losing to Livingstone, 19-14. Bethune-Cookman romped to a 41-7 win over Delaware State in Jacksonville, Fla.

Grambling romped to a 42-16 win over Morgan State Friday in Tokyo, Japan in the first collegiate football game in Japan.

The schedule this week in the MEAC will have two conference games and three non-conference tests. Maryland-Eastern Shore plays at Delaware State and North Carolina Central travels to Baltimore, Md. to meet Morgan State. In non-conference action A&T travels to Johnson C. Smith. Howard goes to Florida A&M and South Carolina State plays



Hornsby Howell
...A&T football coach

host to Alcorn A&M. Halfback Charles Burgess and quarterback Jesse Prather each scored two touchdowns to lead the S.C. State win. Burgess scored on runs of 28 and 15 yards and Prather added six pointers in the third quarter on runs of 68 and one yard. James Montgomery kicked field goals from 28 and 39 yards and kicked four of five extra points.

A&T rallied back in the fourth stanza but missed a two-point conversion with eight seconds left in the game which would have given the Aggies a tie. Quarterback Elsworth Turner fired three touchdowns for the Aggie. Turner completed an 80-yard strike to Dexter Feaster in the first quarter and then came back and tossed scoring aeri-als to Allen Thomas from a 16 and eight yards. Turner also kicked a 20-yard field goal for the Aggies.

Quarterback Randy Nichols passed for two touchdowns, 25 and one yard, and Andrew Coney kicked two field goals and three extra points to lead Livingstone to its win over Maryland-Eastern Shore.

North Carolina Central jumped off to a 9-0 second quarter lead against Alcorn but the Braves came back to score 23 straight points. The Eagles scored in the first stanza on an 11-yard pass from Charles Armwood to Reggie Smith. Eric Hines, who booted a 40-yard field goal in the second period, missed the PAT.

Willie Outlaw scored on a one-yard sneak before inter-mission to cut the margin to 9-7 at the break. Clark Jones returned an intercepted pass 39 yards for one fourth period touchdown and William Thomas scored on a five-yard run after James Holloway kicked a 22-yard field goal for the Braves.

Morgan State scored first against Grambling on the first of three field goals by Duane Danner. However, Grambling stormed back to add a pair of scores for touchdowns. Mark Durden scored the lone six-pointer for the Bears on a touchdown reception.

Winston-Salem

State Upsets

Virginia Union

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Winston-Salem - The Winston-Salem State Rams spotted Union University six points and then defeated the heavily favored Panthers 14-7 at Bowman Gray Stadium Saturday night. The Rams, playing under their new head-coach, Bill Hayes, are 1-1 in conference play and 1-2 overall.

Kermit Blount, the freshman quarterback who engineered the defeat, was involved in all of the Ram scoring plays. He passed to Johnny Rodgers for a 20-yard touchdown, scored the second touchdown on a 10-yard keeper and passed to Randy Bolton for a two-point conversion.

The first and only Panther score came at the 3:36 mark of the first quarter. Union, on its second possession, was forced to punt when its drive was stalled. James Harrison fumbled the punt which was recovered by Union on its own 44. Five plays and less than three minutes later, Robert Gibson scored on a one-yard run. Clarence White's kick was good and the Panthers led 7-0.

Blount connected with a 28-yard pass to Bolton and a 20-yard TD pass to Rodgers midway of the second period. The conversion attempt failed and Union's lead was 7-6.



Aaron Cunningham
...South's superstar

Cunningham

Honored As

Player Of Week

By James Cuthbertson
Post Staff Writer

During the summer, Aaron Cunningham, could be seen every morning and afternoon at Bryant Park practicing sprints and doing exercises.

The park is only a short hop from the 700 Walnut Avenue home of the six-foot, 170-pound South Mecklenburg High School quarterback.

All-County as a junior, the fleet foot signal called for last year's 7-3 Sabres, who won their last seven ball games, devised this routine, to bolster his team's efforts for the top spot.

Recently, things have been looking bad for the Sabres. After an impressive opening win against Gastonia Ashbrook, they lost to Myers Park and North. However, the team regrouped this weekend under Cunningham directions for a 7-0 victory over the Olympic Trojans.

He scored the only touchdown of the game and single handedly gave the Torjans a a fit.

To get himself psyched up, before a game, he cuts on his stereo and puts on some Earth Wind and Fire or some other mellow music.

Music, Aaron says relaxes him and he is able to reach higher heights of inspiration when he listens to Maurice White's group whose mystical music is heavily laden with astrology and inspiring words.

The tough part of the Sabres schedule is over and they now stand 2-2 overall and 1-2 in the conference. West Charlotte, Harding, Independence, West Mecklenburg, Garinge, and East remain on the schedule.

Cunningham has been playing football since he was in the seventh grade. He played for three years at Quail Hollow Junior High School where he was named "Most Valuable Back" on a team that posted a 7-4 record.

In the winter, he stars as a forward on the Sabre basketball team. Last year, Cunningham was a member of the 1976 North Carolina High School Athletic Association 4-A championship basketball team.

His favorite sports stars are Oscar Robertson and David Thompson.

The 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cunningham, said he likes to read and the biggest sports thrill ever for this affable gentlemen was scoring 39 points in a junior varsity basketball game with Independence two years ago.

His future goals include college and a career in either basketball or football.

Other stars of the week include Henderson Threatt of West Charlotte...Newton Williams of North who scored one touchdown and gained 82 yards...Cedric Alexander of West who scored a touchdown...Phil Henderson of Harding...Darryl Bryrd and Curtis Wilson of Myers Park, both scored in the Mustangs 20-7 victory...Eric Westbrook and Frank Peoples of East Mecklenburg and Larry Brown of Garinge.



BLACK COLLEGE

TOP 10

1. Bethune-Cookman
2. Jackson State
3. Grambling College
4. S.C. State
5. Florida A&M
6. Norfolk State
7. Southern
8. N.C. A&T
9. Kentucky State
10. Hampton

WHERE THEY PLAY
Saturday, Oct. 2

Alcorn A&M at S.C. State
N.C. Central at Morgan
N.C. A&T at J.C. Smith
UMES at Delaware State
Howard at Florida A&M
Winston-Salem at Norfolk

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LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Grambling 42, Morgan 16
N.C. State 40, Howard 0
Alcorn A&M 23, N.C. Central 17
Florida A&M 24, A&T 22
Livingstone 29, UMES 14
Bethune 41, Delaware State 7
Hampton 18, J.C. Smith 16

HOW THEY STAND

MEAC	Conf.	All
	W-L-T	W-L-T
N.C. A&T	1 0 0	2 1 0
S. C. State	2 1 0	2 1 0
Howard	1 1 0	1 2 0
N.C. Central	0 0 0	2 1 0
Morgan State	0 0 0	1 1 0
Delaware State	0 1 0	1 3 0
UMES	0 1 0	0 3 0

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