

Sports Beat

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SAY YOU SAW IT HERE...

Knowledgeable people in the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association are picking Johnson C. Smith to finish fifth in the Southern Division basketball race...Let's fool 'em BULLS!...

Look for North Carolina A&T State University to drop Johnson C. Smith from its football schedule. This reporter picks Barber-Scotia to win the seventh Tip-Off Basketball Tournament here this weekend.

Here we go again! The rumormongers have Virginia State College looking for a new head football coach. Also that Baxter Holman will likely leave Livingstone before the leaves change colors next year.

Fayetteville State has ample reasons to be proud of its football program under Raymond McDougal. The Broncos finished out of contention for the CIAA championship, but Fayetteville placed six players on the NAIA District 29's "All Star Football Team." That's as many as Norfolk State, who won the title for the second straight year. Elizabeth City, Shaw and Hampton each placed two players on the team.

Have you given consideration to the fact that one evidence of maturity is the failure of an individual to blame someone else for his troubles?

Coach Joe Robinson has named three prized rookies to his starting lineup at Fayetteville State. The former local prep ace is high on 6-4 Jeff Ballard, 6-7½ Reginald McLeod and 6-5 Elwood Jeffries. Incidentally, Robinson informs us that the Broncos' game with Johnson C. Smith will be played in the 12,000-seat Cumberland Arena in Fayetteville this season.

Are you aware that the only thing worse than being old and bent is being young and broke?

Generally the pre-season polls are not worth the paper they are written on. An example can be found in the fact that Wake Forest wasn't given much chance for defeating N.C. State or North Carolina this season.

Charles Christian, head basketball coach at Norfolk State, was in Durham Saturday night scouting Livingstone. Christian will have you to believe that his Spartans should not be listed among the "favorites" in the CIAA basketball race this season. He says he feels that Virginia State and Elizabeth City should be rated as the top teams. Of course, Harold Deane of Virginia State disagrees. This reporter is also among those who can not buy Christian's predictions.

Norfolk State, which is as accustomed to winning as Buick is to making better cars, should be in the driver's seat, with St. Paul's, Virginia State and Elizabeth City in strong competition. Winston-Salem is in a class by itself in the Southern Division.

Stat sheets of UNCC's first basketball game revealed the "Mean Green" shot a lofty .571 from the floor against Georgia College. Lew Massey hit 12 of 21 for a spectacular .571 and Kevin King went 10 of 17 for .588. Cedric Maxwell was slightly off form with only a .500 accuracy rating with only four of eight from the field.

Quarterback Russ Seaton of Hampton lost his bid for a position on the NAIA District 29 "All Star Football Team." Steve Graeff of Norfolk State won the honors and Maurice Banks of Virginia State beat out Seaton for second place.

It would appear that coach Jerry Fitch of Johnson C. Smith does not have much chance of using 6-6 Robert Lewis very much longer. It's unlikely the CIAA will rule Lewis eligible to play after this semester.

Top-ranked South Carolina State will take on Winston-Salem State in the Winston-Salem Coliseum Wednesday night, prior to coming to town to compete in the seventh Charlotte Tip-Off Basketball Tournament.

S. C. State, Barber-Scotia

Favored To Win Tournament

Favorites in the Charlotte Tip-Off Tournament, which begins here Friday night, are defending champs S.C. State Bulldogs and the Sabers of Barber-Scotia College.

Winners of the first round of play will vie for the tournament championship Saturday at 9 p.m. A consolation game is scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday.

The Sabers were first runner-up in 1975. They will open the tournament against St. Augustine Friday at 7 p.m.

At 9 p.m. Friday, the Golden Bulls of J.C. Smith will face S.C. State.

Favored S.C. State, now vastly improved, expects to better last year's 17-8 record.

Last year's leading scorer at 14.2 point per game was 6'6" guard Harry Nicken. He will be joined in the starting lineup by top rebounder Carl Green to lead coach Tim Autry's Bulldogs. Green garnered 12 rebounds per game. Willie Brown, a 6'6" forward, will also start.

"We must rely on some of last year's vets like Vincent Sanders, James Cunningham, Floyd Evans and some newcomers as well," said Coach Autry.

J.C. Smith offensive aces are Robert Lewis and Robert Terry. Coach Jerome Fitch has indicated that freshman guard Americus Adams will start in the tourney effort against S.C. State.

Lewis, a 6'6" forward from Virginia, averaged 28.6 points towards the Golden Bulls overall record of 13 wins and 14 losses. He was the leading scorer and third leading rebounder in the Central Inter-

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...Starting Five

collegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) last year. Lewis had 352 rebounds.

Smith placed fourth in the Southern division of the CIAA a year ago.

Center Reginald Williams and forward Embee Shaw led the Sabers of Barber-Scotia College to a 17-12 record last year. They will lead the team into the tournament match-up with St. Augustine.

"Our returning players can give us the leadership and experience we need to go with the youthful enthusiasm of the new players," said Saber Coach Aldon Coefield.

Dark horse St. Augustine had teamed senior forwards Addison "Sarge" Ingram and Calvin Preston with a 6'4" transfer student. He is Larry Rhodes of Westchester Community College in New York.

Ingram is a 6'5" native of Benson, N.C. and Preston is a 6'6" native of Rocky Mount, Va.

Senior guard Sean Powell, who broke his foot against Virginia State last year, is expected to be ready for the tourney tip-off. He is from Brooklyn, N.Y.

Coach Harvey Heartley has hopes for his relatively young team.

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FSU Promises Exciting Year

By John B. Henderson
Sports Information Director
FAYETTEVILLE-Coach Joe Robinson of Fayetteville State University is talking rather quietly and deliberately about the upcoming 1976-77 basketball season.

In his second season, coach Robinson experienced a 4-21 record last year because a number of games had to be forfeited due to the use of an ineligible player on the team early in the season.

"We would really like to forget about last year's nightmare," began the talkative coach, "but it's understandable about how the men on the team felt when this happened and I think they took it well and are ready to get started this season."

Dr. Robinson, also Director of Athletics at FSU, immediately hit the recruiting trail at the end of the '75 campaign and came up with some newcomers he hopes will blend with the nucleus of veterans

this year.
Leading veterans returning to the Bronco cage camp include leading scorer (17.5 pg) guard-forward Arnold Chamber. The 6-2 senior from Wilmington, Delaware, hauled down six rebounds a contest in 23 games.

Senior guard-playmaker John Barrows, last year's "Most Valuable Player" averaged 17.5 baskets per outing and led his team in total scoring for the year at 419.

The 5-11 Hempstead, New York native was selected "CIAA Player-of-the-Week" and NAIA District 29 "Basket-

ball Player-of-the-Week" during the early part of the campaign.

Barrows is the key quarterback for the Bronco club and coach Robinson will rely heavily on his leadership for the upcoming 25-game schedule which begins December 1 at home with Hampton Institute.

The only big man with experience from last year's squad is 6-9 junior Marlon Moore who played in 18 games snatching down seven rebounds while pouring in the same amount of baskets.

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