



SAY YOU SAW IT HERE

The sum of wisdom is that time is never lost that is devoted to work!

Watching Winston-Salem State and Johnson C. Smith battle in the homecoming match-up here last Saturday afternoon reminded me of the pick-up games that were played in times gone by when this writer was a lot more active and very much younger. What comes to mind is that neither team showed good organization and each left lots to be desired in execution. In fact, there were considerable more interest shown in the leggy Rams' cheerleaders and their out-of-this-world band than in the game itself.

We got a long ways to go!

Bill Davis, the volative South Carolina State football coach, who is not having one of his better years in the won-and-lost columns, was in town last week on a recruiting trip. According to the former J. C. Smith football standout, each member of his "talented" football staff was out on the road looking for the exceptional players.

Bill will send his Bulldogs against Virginia Union in Orangeburg Saturday afternoon.

Bethune-Cookman has locked up the MEAC football championship, a first for the school which revamped its athletic program a little over a year ago.

Street and Smith's basketball official Yearbook 1984-85 is saying what everyone along the Eastern Seaboard knows - That is, Hampton's center from Nassau, Bahamas, Cedric Miller belongs among the pre-season Little College All-American picks. The 6-foot-11, 200-pounder, has already garnered such lofty honors as being named to the All-CIAA Coaches Team, the All-CIAA Sportswriters Team and the All-South Atlantic Black College Team, and he has been honorably mentioned on the All-American Black College Team.

Charlotte native Gerald Fraylon was named the CIAA's "Offensive Back of the Week" last week. But that's only a fraction of the coveted honors this talented North Carolina Central senior quarterback has received in his four years at the Durham school.

He will become the conference's all-time passer if he pitches for 161 yards against Johnson C. Smith in Durham Saturday afternoon.

The record is currently held by former J. C. Smith star quarterback Elroy Duncan, who threw for 5,414 career yards. Fraylon already holds the league's record for most yards in total offense, 6,067, and he's the only quarterback in NCCU history to pass for more than 1,000 yards in each of his four seasons.

Looking ahead! Imagine the match-up between Norfolk State and Winston-Salem State in Norfolk, Va., Saturday afternoon, November 17, when these divisional champions clash for the CIAA football title. Winston-Salem State owns the league's top rushing offense and Norfolk State has the loop's best record in defending against the rush. Norfolk's Tony Johnson is a game breaker. So is Leroy Horn, Winston-Salem State's flashy ball carrier.

A great crowd is expected. Norfolk State averaged 17,666 paying fans during the regular season while Winston-Salem was attracting a little over 6,000 to each of its home games.

Darryl Wesley is currently ranked sixth among the top ball carriers in the CIAA. In my opinion, he's due All-American considerations and more simply because his upfront protectors over the last three seasons have not been rated among the world's most vicious blockers.

Place your rent money on Delaware State winning the MEAC Basketball Championship next March. It's a good wager because the Hornets are starting their second season under head coach Joe Dean Davidson, one of the most successful coaches in high school circles. Davidson proved he can also coach with the best a year ago when he put together Delaware State's best record in basketball in modern times. With three top quality veterans returning, Davidson has added three top recruits from the Washington, D.C., area, plus 6'6" Tracey Wilson from Norfolk's highly-rated Gransby High and 6'2" guard Joe Jeter from Emanuel Junior College. Four of his starters likely will come from the nation's Capitol.

Former Norfolk State basketball star David Pope has earned a position with the Utah Jazz in the NBA. Jazz coach Frank Layden calls the big rookie "the best athlete in camp."

Mississippi Valley State may compete in the NCAA Division I-AA Playoffs after all. Originally, MVS was thought to be ineligible because it did not file player eligibility documents before the September 15 deadline. Words are they will be given an opportunity to meet the requirements by filing the papers and asking for an appeal. At this writing, Mississippi Valley State is unbeaten and is producing points at an average rate of more than 60 per outing.

In spite of what you may have heard, Florida A&M will renew football coach Rudy Hubbard's contract shortly.

List this reporter among those who applaud former New York Knicks Dick Barnett's idea for establishing an Endowment Scholarship Fund in the name of John McLendon Jr., one of the truly great names in basketball and one of the most beloved gentlemen around.

North Carolina Central will tangle with Johnson C. Smith at O'Kelly Stadium on the NCCU campus Saturday afternoon, starting at 1:30. It's a homecoming attraction. Thought you'd like to know that!

This has been a strange football season. How strange? Grambling and Florida A&M, both long-time powers in black college football, each is playing below .500. So are Virginia Union, who was believed powerful enough to win the Northern Division Title, and Livingstone, with its exciting Jo Jo White and the high expectations for one of its best seasons ever.

Look for Ossie Virgil's name to pop up as the next black manager of a major league baseball team. A professional ball player for 26 years, Virgil is now serving as the third base coach for the San Diego Padres and is rated the best of the available prospects for managerial positions.



Horace Small
.....Discusses strategy with team

Against JCSU Saturday

Quarterback Gerald Fraylon Is Poise To Break CIAA Passing Record

By Phil Busher
Special To The Post
Gerald Fraylon has a special fondness for Johnson C. Smith University. As well he should. The senior quarterback of the N.C. Central Eagles loves to save his best for the Golden Bulls as a way of saying hello to his hometown family and friends in Charlotte.

Last year Gerald threw three TD passes and scrambled for another during the Golden Bulls' Homecoming at Memorial Stadium. Saturday's game at O'Kelly Stadium in Durham will be Eagle Homecoming on the Diamond (75th anniversary of the school).

"Central is out of the race for the Southern Division Title, so it seems that the Eagle staff is letting Fraylon roll up the passing yards to add to his CIAA record noted Smith coach, Horace Small.

The Myers Park graduate surpassed former Philadelphia Eagles' and Elizabeth City State quarterback John Walton's career total offense record of 5,061 yards in the

first game in 1984. Two weeks ago, Fraylon broke former Johnson C. Smith quarterback Elroy Dundan's career passing record of 5,414 yards which held since 1970.

Fraylon has a pair of excellent sophomore receivers in WR Robert Clark and SE Robert Green. With the lack of a strong running game, it's a sure bet the Eagles will take to the air often Saturday.

It was the WSSU passing attack that did the most damage on JCSU Homecoming last week. A young Bulls secondary will especially be tested this week.

The lone, bright spot was the performance of senior RB Darrel Wesley whose 107 yards rushing and 16 yards receiving left him only nine yards short of 3,000 career yards. Wesley passed Micheal Gibson for the fifth spot on JCSU career rushers. He is 262 yards behind the late Thad Jones (2,510). Bill Dusenberry tops the list with 2,831 yards followed by Bruce Duke (2,812) and Ernest Williams (2,758). It would possibly be good advice to

arrive early for the 1:30 p.m. contest as a large Homecoming crowd is anticipated to bid farewell to Fraylon who led the Eagles to two

Southern Division Titles. Expect to watch a wide-open shootout as the Golden Bulls hope to frustrate the superb Gerald Fraylon one time in his exceptional four year career.

CIAA Football Roundup

Norfolk Stops Howard Before Record Crowd

Even though the Southern Division championship game representative has been decided and the Northern Division is one game away from a representative, week nine of CIAA football action was exciting as ever. Northern leader, Norfolk State, stopped MEAC rival Howard University, 42-10, before the largest crowd in the conference this season. The 17,500 fans who witnessed the slaughter of Division 1AA Howard is CIAA single game attendance record. Virginia State threw Virginia Union for their second consecutive loss in two weeks, while Fraylon and Company of N.C. Central kept their air attack on target with a 55-0 victory over Bowie State. Elizabeth City and Hampton Institute finished with a tie and St. Paul's snapped a four-game losing streak. Winston-Salem spoiled Johnson C. Smith's homecoming while Fayetteville State put a stop to Ho Ho White and the Livingstone Bears.

Virginia State jumped out to an 18-0 lead and held on for an 18-14 victory over Virginia Union. Quarterback Sam Taylor passed for one touchdown and ran for another to lead the Virginia State Trojans to the Gold Bowl Classic victory.

Michael Winbush passed for 208 first half yards which helped the Rams spoil the homecoming festivities in Charlotte, N.C. It was Winston-Salem St. 32, J. C. Smith 7.

The Broncos of Fayetteville State made it two in a row, as they stopped Livingstone, 21-16 in the Southern Division match-up. Freshman quarterback, Jerome Morgan threw three touchdowns to lead the Broncos. This was the first time coach William Head has had consecutive victories in his three years as the Broncos' head coach.

Darrell Suggs dove across from three yards out and Jerome Ingram kicked an extra point to give Elizabeth City a 7-7 tie with Hampton Institute. Elizabeth City quarterback, Eddie Morris, passed for 147 yards, completing 12 of 20 passes in the second half.

It was all N.C. Central as Gerald Fraylon completed 10 of 17 passes for 206 yards and one touchdown, all in the first half. The Eagles won over Bowie State, 55-0.

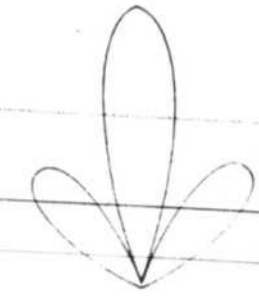
The Spartan machine scored 23 second half points as Norfolk State demolished their helpless MEAC rival Howard University, 42-10. Anthony Johnson led the Spartan attack with 118 yards on 23 carries.

St. Paul's snapped their four-game losing streak in good fashion, whipping the Builders of Newport

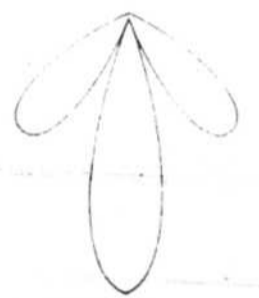
News Apprentice, 54-17. Mike Mayfield threw for '82 yards and three touchdowns to lead the Tigers from his quarterback position.

UPCOMING BRIEFS

Topping this week's action is the match-up of long time rivals, Virginia State and Norfolk State in Petersburg. Norfolk State can clinch the Northern Division title and a berth in the championship game with a victory. A Virginia State win will put the Trojans in a position to sneak through the back door into the championship game. That will only happen if they win their last game against Hampton Institute and if Livingstone surprises Norfolk in their last game.



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