

FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 7 THROUGH OCTOBER 13, 1996

BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE



Hampton Sports Photo
TAYLOR: Has Pirates trying to escape with MEAC booty.

HAMPTON PIRACY

▼ FORMER CIAA KINGPINS RIDING ROUGHSHOD OVER MEAC COMPETITION

BLACK COLLEGE FOOTBALL (Results, Standings and Weekly Honors)

SCORES

| CONF | W | L | T | ALL | W | L | T |
|---------------------|----|---|---|-----|----|---|---|
| Alabama A&M | 38 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 0 |
| Albany State | 41 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Arkansas-Pine Bluff | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Bloomsburg | 68 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Bowie State | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 |
| Central Oklahoma | 51 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Delaware St. | 35 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 0 |
| Fort Valley State | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Grambling St. | 33 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Hampton | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| Jackson State | 55 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 49 | 0 | 0 |
| Johnson C. Smith | 44 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| Livingstone | 41 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 |
| Morris Brown | 32 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| N.C. A&T | 49 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 37 | 0 | 0 |
| N.C. Central | 38 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 |
| S. Carolina St. | 34 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 27 | 0 | 0 |
| Southern | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 0 |
| Tuskegee | 42 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 0 | 0 |
| Va. Union | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| W. Va. State | 33 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 0 | 0 |

CIAA

| CONF | W | L | T | ALL | W | L | T |
|------------------|---|---|---|-----|---|---|---|
| Livingstone | 4 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NC Central | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Virginia Union | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Virginia State | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| JC Smith | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Fayetteville St. | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| WSSU | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Elizabeth City | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Bowie State | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |

CIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE
REGGIE JOHNSON, Jr. (WR) - Hampton
Connected with QB Pernell Wilder on three passes for 166 yards and two touchdowns the longest an 85-yarder.

DEFENSE
JARVIS DAVIS, Soph. (DB) - Fayetteville State - Had nine total tackles including one for loss of 16 yards, one sack and an interception returned 19 yards for a score.

MEAC

| CONF | W | L | T | ALL | W | L | T |
|-----------------|---|---|---|-----|---|---|---|
| Hampton | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| SC State | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Delaware State | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Florida A&M | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Morgan State | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| NC A&T | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Bethune-Cookman | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Howard | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Norfolk State | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |

MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE
CHARLES JACKSON, Jr. (RB) - Hampton - Ran for 147 yards on 25 carries including 44 in the winning drive as Hampton beat FAMU 18-15.

DEFENSE
CHRIS MCNEIL, Sr. (DE), N.C. A&T - Had five unassisted tackles including three sacks and recovered a fumble as the Aggies downed Tennessee State 49-37.

SIAC

| CONF | W | L | T | ALL | W | L | T |
|---------------|---|---|---|-----|---|---|---|
| Albany State | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Alabama A&M | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Miles | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Fort Valley | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Kentucky St. | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Tuskegee | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Morris Brown | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Clark Atlanta | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Savannah St. | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Morehouse | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 |

SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE
MICHAEL SCOTT, Soph. (RB) - Tuskegee - Gained 259 yards on 22 carries and scored four TDs from 27, 32, 33 and 75 yards.

DEFENSE
REGINALD JACKSON, Jr. (LB), Savannah State - Had 15 tackles (7 solos) three for -15 yards and fumble recovery.

MARCUS WIGGINS, Jr. (LB), Tuskegee - Seven tackles, three sacks and two forced fumbles.

SWAC

| CONF | W | L | T | ALL | W | L | T |
|------------------|---|---|---|-----|---|---|---|
| Southern | 4 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jackson State | 3 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| *Ark. Pine Bluff | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Texas Southern | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Alcorn State | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Grambling | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Prairie View | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Miss. Valley | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Alabama State | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |

SWAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE
MARK WASHINGTON, Soph. (QB) - Jackson State - Threw for 432 yards (26 of 40) and five TDs in a relief role and scored the tying TD to lead JSU to 55-49 overtime win over Texas Southern.

DEFENSE
ERIC MITCHELL, Soph., (LB) Alcorn State - Had 16 tackles, six solos, one QB sack for -9 yards and an interception in the Braves 20-10 loss to Arkansas Pine Bluff.

INDEPENDENTS

| W | L | T | |
|-----------------|---|---|---|
| W. Va. State | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| Benedict | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| Langston | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Tennessee State | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| Cheyney | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Lane | 0 | 5 | 0 |

BCSP PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE
TYRONE BUTTERFIELD, (WR/KR) - Tennessee State - Returned four kickoffs for 132 yards including a 57-yarder and caught two passes for 127 yards including an 86-yarder for a TD.

DEFENSE
NA

UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

CLOSING IN:

Jackson State wide receiver **Corey Bradford** is closing in on school records of some well known alumni. Through six games Bradford, a Clinton, La., native and Hinds Junior College transfer playing his first and only season for the Tigers, has hauled in 31 catches for 759 yards (24.4 yards per catch) and nine touchdowns. He is in hot pursuit of the JSU record of 11 TD catches in a season set by former Tiger and NFL great **Willie Richardson** in 1962 and tied by Tiger standout and NFL all-pro **Harold Jackson** in 1966. Richardson, the Tigers only 1,000-yard receiver in history, set the receiving yardage record in 1960 amassing 1,227 yards. Bradford, at 6-2, 205, runs a 4.3 40-yard dash and has pro scouts making frequent trips to the JSU practice and press box.

TIGER REINS: Dr. Vivian Fuller, a 1977 graduate of Fayetteville State University who also held positions in physical education and athletics at Bennett College and North Carolina A&T State University, has been named the new athletic director at Tennessee State University. Fuller replaces **Howard Gentry, Jr.**, who stepped down in June to take another position at the university. Fuller has been the AD at Northeastern Illinois University in Chicago for the past five years and was associate AD at Indiana University of Pennsylvania from 1987-92. She began her career as a physical education instructor and intramural director at Bennett in 1978 and went on to A&T where she served in student/athlete academic advisement, earning a promotion to assistant AD. She is a nationally known speaker on many women's sports-related topics and has served on a number of NCAA committees including the management council which aids in governing the entire organization.

RETURN TO GLORY: Texas Southern University has named **Peggy Stapleton** as their new women's head basketball coach. Stapleton, a Shreveport, La. native, was the head coach at Klein Forest High School and has served as an assistant at Rice University and the University of Houston. She played collegiately at Texas A&M during the late 1970s and still holds a few of that school's scoring and rebounding records. Her first head coaching position was at Brookshire Royal High School in Brookshire, Tx., where she compiled a record of 116-26 in four years. Stapleton said she hopes to return the Lady Tigers to their glory days when she said TSU beat her Texas A&M team on a regular basis. In the 1980-81 season, TSU advanced to the NAIA finals. The program has gone through two coaches and won only seven games in the last four years. She replaces **Dwalah Fisher**, the head volleyball coach at TSU who compiled a 1-26 record in one season.

Shakeup again at the top

Hampton's 18-15 upset of BCSP #1 Florida A&M means Southern (4-0, 5-0) ascends to the top spot in the BCSP Top Ten and becomes the fourth team to occupy the position this year following **Howard, Jackson State** and **FAMU** to the perch.

Southern rose to No. 9 in the Sports Network Div. I-AA poll and is one of three undefeated teams left in black college football. Three teams join Southern in the I-AA poll; Jackson State (3-0, 5-1) at #15, Florida A&M (1-1, 4-1) at #17 and Hampton (3-0, 4-1), who entered the poll for the first time this year at the 25th and last spot.

Hampton survived a murderous opening month's schedule that saw them take on and down the three teams thought to be the cream of the MEAC crop. Their only loss was to 23rd ranked **Williams & Mary**, then ranked No.3. They're now in the driver's seat for the conference championship but their national ranking will get a good test this week when the Pirates travel to Liberty (1p.m.).

Southern and Jackson State have a week off to ponder their Oct. 25th matchup in Jackson. FAMU has another tough date at **North Carolina A&T** (1:30), which found their offense in a 49-37 win over **Tennessee State**.

Albany State (2-0 SIAC, 5-0) and **Livingstone** (3-0 CIAA, 6-0) are the other undefeated black college teams. They sit atop their respective conferences and are the only ranked Div. II black college squads.

ASC moved up from seventh to tenth in this week's D-II poll and held on to the No.3 spot in the South Region rankings. The Golden Rams host **Alabama A&M** (2-0, 4-1) whose only loss is to North Alabama (49-20). A&M will be trying to play spoiler since they've been barred by the conference from postseason play. It should be a good matchup (1:30).

Livingstone rose from 20th to 14th in the poll and climbed to No. 4 in the South Region.

GAMES THIS WEEK

| Date | Game | Time |
|------------------|---|-------|
| October 11, 1997 | Albany State vs. Alabama A&M at Albany, GA | 1:30p |
| | Ark.-Pine Bluff vs. Tex. Southern at Pine Bluff, AR | 7:00p |
| | Fort Valley St. vs. Miles at Fort Valley, GA | 1:30p |
| | Grambling St. vs. Miss. Valley St. at Grambling, LA | 7:00p |
| | Liberty vs. Hampton at Lynchburg, VA | 1:00p |
| | N.C. A&T vs. Florida A&M at Greensboro, NC | 1:30p |
| | Savannah State vs. Morris Brown at Savannah, GA | 5:30p |
| | Tennessee State vs. E. Kentucky at Nashville, TN | 1:30p |
| | W. Liberty State vs. W. Va. State at W. Liberty, WV | 1:00p |
| | Winston-Salem St. vs. N.C. Central at W-Salem, NC | 7:30p |
| | CLASSICS | |
| | 44th Gateway Classic | |
| | Bethune-Cookman vs. Howard at Jacksonville, FL | 1:00p |
| | 62nd 'Skegee-Morehouse Classic | |
| | Tuskegee vs. Morehouse at Columbus, GA | 7:00p |
| | HOMECOMINGS | |
| | Alcorn State vs. Prairie View A&M at Lorman, MS | 1:30p |
| | Cheyney vs. Kutztown at Cheyney, PA | 1:00p |
| | Clark Atlanta vs. Benedict at Atlanta, GA | 2:00p |
| | Elizabeth City St. vs. Bowie State at Eliz. City, NC | 2:00p |
| | Johnson C. Smith vs. Livingstone at Charlotte, NC | 1:30p |
| | Lane vs. Kentucky State at Jackson, TN | 3:00p |
| | Langston vs. Hardin-Simmons at Langston, OK | 2:00p |
| | S. Carolina St. vs. Norfolk St. at Orangeburg, SC | 1:30p |
| | Virginia State vs. Fayetteville St. at Petersburg, VA | 1:30p |

The Blue Bears, who appear headed toward an undefeated championship season, are at **Johnson C. Smith** (1-1, 2-3)

BCSP TOP TEN

- SOUTHERN (4-0)** - Defeated Alabama State 27-16. NEXT: Idle before date at Jackson State on 10/25.
- HAMPTON (4-1)** - Journey to respectability done as they toughed out 18-15 win over No.1 FAMU. NEXT: At Liberty.
- LIVINGSTONE (6-0)** - Rolled again, this time over WSSU 41-7. NEXT: At Johnson C. Smith.
- ALBANY STATE (5-0)** - No trouble with Savannah State, 41-3. NEXT: A home date against second place Alabama A&M.
- FLORIDA A&M (4-1)** - Battled gallantly though shorthanded against Hampton. NEXT: Another tough date at N. C. A&T.
- JACKSON STATE (5-1)** - Needed overtime to stop Tex. Southern, 55-49. NEXT: A week off to get ready for Southern.
- SOUTH CAROLINA STATE (4-0)** - Needed overtime to dispose of Morgan State, 34-27. NEXT: Norfolk State for Homecoming.
- VIRGINIA STATE (3-1)** - Rested. NEXT: A homecoming date against Fayetteville State.
- N. C. A&T (3-1)** - Outscored Tennessee State 49-37. NEXT: The Rattlers of FAMU come calling.
- ALABAMA A&M (4-1)** - Knocked off Morehouse, 38-14. NEXT: Try their hand at conference leader Albany State. Also Receiving Votes: Delaware State

BCSP Notes

▼ The latest in rumors has everyone from **Florida A&M's Billy Joe** and **Hampton's Joe Taylor** to the Historically Black Collegiate Coalition's **Craig Cason** headed to **Grambling** to do the impossible - replace a legend, **Coach Eddie Robinson**. Don't believe the hype. It would be nice if one of these luminaries could step in and maintain the school's image as the premier black college grid program in the nation but don't count on it. Each is in the process of building something very special at the institutions they currently represent.

▼ Speaking of the HBCC, the organization has announced the creation of the **Gillette-HBCC Scholar-Athlete Team** that will recognize stel-

lar student/athletes at HBCUs who excel in academics and athletics. The Gillette company will give scholarships to the school of each person selected to advance the goals of each institution. Selection is a four phase process involving nomination, initial selection, final selection and award recognition. One female and one male student will be chosen from each of the four black college conferences (CIAA, MEAC, SIAC and SWAC) as well as independent institutions. A \$3,000 check will be donated by the HBCC on behalf of the Gillette Company to the general scholarship fund of the schools. The scholar/athletes will be featured on HBCC's *Black College Sports Today* on ESPN in April.

HOW THEY DID IT

Overtimes, last second finishes make for exciting sixth week of black college play

- HAMPTON 18 - Florida A&M 15
Acie Wyatt capped a fourth quarter comeback as he



Hampton Sports Photo
JOHNSON: Leads Pirates to two fourth quarter scores to knock off FAMU.

kicked a 35-yard field goal with 12 seconds left to give Hampton a 18-15 win over beat-up BCSP No.1 **Florida A&M** and establish themselves as favorites for the MEAC championship. The Pirates (3-0 MEAC, 4-1) trailed 15-7 in the fourth quarter before **QB Roy Johnson** engineered a 75-yard drive culminating in a 20-yard scoring pass to **Kyle Payne**. Johnson then ran in a two-point conversion to tie the score at 15 with 5:53 left. After a FAMU punt, Johnson led a 10-play 71-yard drive for the winning field goal. RB **Charles Jackson** led the way, rushing for 147 yards on 25 carries while Johnson completed 14 of 22 passes for 207 yards but was intercepted four times. The Pirates also lost two fumbles. The Rattlers (1-1 MEAC, 4-1), who were missing several key players injured in last week's win over Howard, were stymied by the Hampton defense. QB **Oteman Sampson**, harassed all day by the Pirate defensive line, completed only 14 of 29 passes for 125 yards and one TD. The Rattlers (1-1 MEAC, 4-1) were limited speedwise as they played without starting WR **John Rutledge**, and KR **Undre Williams** and lost WR **Tariq Qayim** early in the game.

- ALBANY STATE 41 - Savannah State 3
Albany State's Vincent Huff hauled in TD passes of 41, 33 and 64 yards from **QB Purvis Jackson** to lead Albany State (2-0 SIAC, 5-0) to a 41-3 rout of Savannah State (0-1 SIAC, 2-3).

- LIVINGSTONE 41 - Winston-Salem State 7
Livingstone once again ran roughshod over the competition slaying **Winston-Salem State** 41-7 in Statesville, NC. Black college rushing leader **Wilmont Perry** ran for two TDs and totalled 118 yards rushing making him the first player this season to top 1,000 yards rushing (1,081) while teammate **Chris Williams** added 162 yards on 14 carries and threw a 13-yard halfback option pass for a score to **Shawn Foster**. QB **Pernell Wilder** added two TD throws to WR **Reggie Johnson** as the Bears (3-0 CIAA, 5-0) piled up 468 yards of offense

while limiting the Rams (1-2 CIAA, 2-3) to 182.

- ALABAMA A&M 38 - Morehouse 14
Alabama A&M sent **Doug Williams'** Morehouse (0-3 SIAC, 2-4) squad to their fourth straight defeat 38-14 at homecoming in Huntsville. A&M QB **Valeska Johnson** threw for 241 yards and three TDs while **Cornell Matthews** scored from 75 yards to pace the Bulldogs (2-0 SIAC, 4-1).

- GRAMBLING 33 - Prairie View 6
Grambling's defense grabbed seven turnovers and limited the Panthers to just 77 yards of offense as the Tigers put win No.2 in the books in Coach **Eddie Robinson's** final year. An *Al Lipscomb/State Fair Classic* crowd of 55,119 watched Robinson's G-Men put on their best offensive show of the year against PVA&M which lost their 72nd consecutive game. QB **Michael Kornblau** threw for 170 yards and two TDs for the Tigers (1-1 SWAC, 2-2).

- S. CAROLINA STATE 34 - Morgan State 27
South Carolina State (1-0 MEAC, 4-0) got a 21-yard TD pass from **QB Reggie Curry** to WR **Johnny Loper** in overtime to propel the Bulldogs over **Morgan State** 34-27. Morgan (1-1 MEAC, 2-3) fought back from a 27-13 fourth quarter deficit to send the game in overtime on **Moses Cody's** 84-yard TD reception from **Willie McGirt** with 4:13 to play. Cody also scored on a 70-yard run in the third quarter. Curry scored two rushing touchdowns for the Bulldogs.

- JACKSON STATE 55 - Texas Southern 49, OT
In an old-fashioned SWAC shootout, **Jackson State** back up **QB Mark Washington** came off the bench to throw for 432 yards (26 of 40) and five touchdowns to rescue the Tigers in a 55-49 overtime win over **Texas Southern**. JSU (3-0 SWAC, 5-1) survived several big plays and twice came back from 21-point deficits to pull out the victory. Washington replaced ineffective starter **Grailyn Pratt** with the Tigers trailing 28-7 early in the second quarter. Pratt, who opened the scoring with a 71-yard pass play to **Corey Bradford**, had thrown two first quarter interceptions, one of which was returned 27 yards by **Leon McBey** for a TD with 3:11 to play to put TSU up 21-7. TSU (2-1 SWAC, 2-3) had gotten a 15 yard TD run by **QB Jarrett Harper** and a