



SONNY LISTON WINS SWEDISH BOUT -- Stockholm: The referee calls the count over a dazed Amos Johnson, who lies on the floor of the ring after being knocked out by Sonny Liston in the third round of their heavyweight bout in Gothenburg, August 19th. Liston, leaning on the ropes in a neutral corner, looks out at the fight fans and shows little interest in the ring proceedings. Liston won the fight. (UPI PHOTO).

Only 18 Lettermen On ECSC Squad, But Could Be Enough

BY JOHN T. WILLIAMS
ELIZABETH CITY - Every team, no matter how many veterans the coach expects to return, must have a basic nucleus with which to work. Despite the fact that only eighteen lettermen will be on hand to shoulder the burden of this year's eight game slate, Coach Tom Caldwell's Elizabeth City State College Vikings have a nucleus of potential power. The growing optimism, out of what would ordinarily seem to be another fruitless season, rotates

around the core of four returning gridders. Team leadership on the personnel level is vitally important to the success of any outfit. Thus Coach Caldwell is pleased with the players' selection of an able captain, SYLVESTER EYNUM. The big senior end from Chapel Hill, N. C. stands 6'-3" and weighs 200 lbs. Eynum is large enough in mind and body to command respect from all of his teammates as well as from players of the opposition. A bruising tackler,

accurate blocker, swift pursuer, and fair receiver, Eynum has his eyes set on ALL-CIAA recognition and professional ambitions.

Coach Caldwell, who is fundamentally a defensive specialist, can depend again this season on the shoulders of Elizabeth City's Colvin Webster. The local guard tackle has been good enough to get starting assignments from his freshman season until now. Having worked hard this summer on construction jobs, Colvin has added pounds and solidness to his 6'-1" frame which weighs 235 pounds. If there be anyone in the opponents backfield besides their own backs, it will be Webster. No doubt the assignment against him will call for two-against-one. Even that may not keep him out.

Realizing that even a good strong defense is not enough for CIAA competition, coach Caldwell's number one quarterback last year is groomed for a better performance. Sophomore sensation JOHNIE B. WALTON stunned the conference during his freshman year as he led the Vikings in passing and total offense of rate high among the top signal callers in the conference. Figuring to be quicker, cooler, and more accurate, the local ace pilot holds the key to coach Caldwell's offensive strategy.

Regardless of how effective a quarterback may be in passing, he must have a reliable target to hit. Undoubtedly Walton's target will be Raleigh's E. EUGENE SNIPES. The Walton to Snipes combination last year was enough to keep the Vikings in contention. With speed, deception, determination, and a rod pair of hands, the senior griddler alternates well between wing-back and end. Snipes' 6'-1", 180 pounds stature indicated that he intends to remain unstoppable in the pass reception and scoring departments. If anyone stops Eugene Snipes, it will be Eugene Snipes, himself.



"I CAN STILL CHEER" -- Houston, Tex.: Houston Astros' Jimmie Wynn, his broken arm in a cast and sling, calls words of encouragement to his teammates from the dugout during a game last week against the Cincinnati Reds. Wynn broke his arm August 1, while trying to catch a ball bouncing off the wall in Philadelphia. (UPI PHOTO).



LEAVING AIRPORT -- Louisville, Ky.: World heavyweight boxing champion Cassius Marcellus Clay, Jr., alias Muhammad Ali, and his attorney Mayden Covington, right, leave Louisville Airport last week after Covington said Clay will ask for a deferment from the draft as a Black Muslim minister. (UPI PHOTO).

EXPECTING

LOW ANGELES -- Mrs. Barbara (Cooke) Womack, widow of the late singer Sam Cooke, is reportedly expecting her first child by her current husband, Robert Womack, in December. At the same time, speculations were rife that the Womacks' marriage may be in trouble, after she put the \$250,000 palatial Cooke home up for sale and reportedly sold her 50 percent interest in a disc form she inherited from the singer.

CHECKERS EXPECT STORK PHILADELPHIA - The interracial marriage of singer-dancer Chubby Checker and former Dutch beauty queen Catherina Ladders is to be enlivened by the addition of their first child sometime in December, Negro Press International learned. Mrs. Catherina Evans (Checker's real name), reporting the anticipated visit from the stork, said: "I don't care if it is a boy or a girl as long as it is healthy."

"OTHER" WOMACK WEDS CLEVELAND - It may be truly said that the Womacks really get around in entertainment circles, especially among the celebrities. The latest confirmation of this was the marriage recently of the "other" Womack, Cecil, 19, to popular singer Mary Wells, 23, here. Cecil's brother, Robert, married the widow of the late singer Sam Cooke in March, 1965. It was Miss Wells' second marriage.

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American Football League Notes

In case you haven't heard, the new Miami Dolphins of the American Football league have one special dolphin whose name doesn't appear on the roster. It's none other than Flipper, the real, live dolphin of TV fame. Flipper will be located in a tank behind the end zone at the Orange Bowl, and his main jobs will be to retrieve the football after field goal attempts, and to soar into the air following each Dolphin touchdown.

tions consultant Julian Cole has another trick up his sleeve that may aid the Dolphins defensively. Says Cole: "I'm training Flipper to stick his head out of the tank when the other guys are in scoring range and stare at the visiting quarterback."

No wonder Bobby Bell, the all AFL linebacker, didn't mind the switch from defensive end to linebacker a year ago. In college, at Minnesota, Bell started

his fresh year as a quarterback, later ran at halfback and fullback. Bobby settled down to become a great collegiate tackle, but played center when the Big Ten team needed the long snap, and even saw spot service as a guard.

How about the future? Well, the 230-pound Bell admits that he wouldn't mind being an offensive lineman or a tight end. The more the merrier.

Leonard Cahn, ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS columnist, has this description of Denver Broncos pass catching whiz, Lionel Taylor: "He has the sensitive fingers of a safe-cracker who scoffs use of nitro in his work."

HOUSTON POST scribe John Hollis, offering the fact that slim Houston Oilers safetyman Jim Norton, a 6-3, 185-pounder, is called "The Blade" or "Toothpicks" by his mates: "(They) didn't have to explain that the nicknames stem from the fact that Norton has legs that would look bad on an impoverished stork."

Here's bad news for San Diego football foes. Declares fullback Keith Lincoln, the oft-injured Charger star: "Things look good. I haven't felt like this in a couple of years. If I can stay healthy, I feel sure I can improve all my best marks."

Oakland defensive tackle Tom Keating has a quick rejoinder for those who ask him how it's going. Says Keating: "When you play alongside of a guy 6-8 who wears a moustache (Ben Davidson), what kind of worries can you have?"

Boston Patriot coach Mike Holovak doesn't pull the punches when he talks about 235-pound sophomore fullback Jim Nance. "Nance can be the greatest," reports Holovak. "Right now, he's the best fullback in the American League."

Never get the other guy mad, says veteran New York Jets offensive guard Sam De Luca. . . and he's probably right. Prior to the recent Jets-Houston pre-season game at Birmingham, Ala., reports from the south had it that the Jets were making fun of the Oilers, particularly gigantic Ernie Ladd. "Do they think we're crazy?" responded De Luca. "Ernie Ladd is the best defensive tackle in pro football. Ask me, I know. I play opposite him."

In case someone asks, Buffalo Bills rookie sensation Booth Lusteg confines his toework to field goals and PATs. Another freshman, former LSU star Remi Prudhomme is the kickoff man.

Things are looking up at the E. J. Holub ranch in west Texas, 125 miles from Odessa. . . and just south of nowhere. When Holub reported to the Kansas City Chiefs training camp, the former Texas Tech star reported that his homestead picked up one of those new-fangled contraptions, a telephone, during the off-season. Added the fine linebacker-center: "But the television down home is fuzzy because we're so far away from everything. And, when the deer run around, they break the cable altogether."

Nothing like keeping competition on a friendly basis. Veteran Babe Parilli, the 36-year old former Kentucky star, has this to say about rookie John Huarte, the lad who is trying to unseat Parilli as the Boston Patriots No. 1 quarterback: "Huarte is one of the best young quarterbacks that I have seen in my 13 years of pro ball."

Houston Oilers tackle Pat Holmes underlines a difference between Canadian football and the AFL: "Up there," says the 6-5, 265-pounder, "I was the second or third largest player in the league. Here, I'm just an average-sized lineman."

AFL Grid Teams Set Stage For Openings

Final tune-up is at hand for seven of the none American Football League teams.

Beginning Wednesday, when the Denver Broncos and the new Miami Dolphins clash at Memphis, Tenn., all of the AFL clubs except New York and Boston will conclude pre-season play during a five-day period. Five games are listed, with Denver playing twice.

On Saturday, the defending champion Buffalo Bills play the Jets at Allentown, Pa., Houston is at Kansas City, and the Boston Patriots complete a 10-day stay on the west coast by playing at San Diego. On Sunday, in a game to be telecast nationally by NBC-TV, Denver hosts the Oakland Raiders.

The only pre-season game remaining, after this week's activity, finds New York and Boston at Mobile, Ala., on Thursday, September 1.

AFL regular - season play gets underway on Friday night, September 2, with the new Miami team entertaining Oakland at the Orange Bowl.

With chips-down play just a stone's throw away, five of the nine AFL entries are still deliberating over the key quarterback position. A sixth, the Jets, is anxious to find out if backup man Mike Taliaferro can do

physical examinations and the issuing of uniforms are scheduled for Aug. 31. On the following day, Sept. 1, said the coach, "we'll hit the regular two-a-day practice sessions at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. and will continue until the opening of school at which time we'll drop to one a day."

The Eagles begin their none-game schedule in meeting Allen University of Columbia, S. C., Sept. 24 on NCC's O'Kelly Field. "We expect a strong team from Allen," said Stevens. "We'll try to have a practice game or scrimmage before meeting them." Last year, for the first time in the history of their eight-year competition, the Allen Yellow Jackets, with a score of 28-0, beat an NCC team.

In 1965, Stevens' first year as head coach, the underdog Eagles eked out a 3-5-1 record but that satisfied all but the most demanding NCC boosters because two of the victories were in "the" games to win in the eyes of most fans--the homecoming game with Shaw University and the Turkey Day contest with chief rival A&T College.

Despite the loss of key personnel, Stevens declared he is

at the end of the 1965 season, the Chicago Cubs signed Jaguar catcher Johnny Hairston, who was the number one Southern back stop at the time.

But then Coach Emery Hines wasn't left with a real acute problem behind the plate. Walker moved up to the top slot and the Jaguars went on to win the SWAC championship, land a berth in the 1966 NAIA National tournament and finished in third place.

Walker was named to the All-SWAC and All-NAIA Tournament teams and drew honorable mention on the NAIA All-American team. Coach Hines finds himself without an experienced catcher for the 1967 season. Roland Wallace, who played little as a frosh last season, appears to be the top prospect.

Walker was signed by Red Sox scout Ed Scott and reportedly received \$25,000 for his signature. Scott said that Walker would be assigned to Waterloo (Iowa) of the Mid west League next year.

Walker, who stands 5-11, weighs 210 pounds, is 20 years old and bats and throws right handed. In 20 games on the regular season, Walker hit 314 and swatted three doubles, two triples and a homer--driving in 16 runs.

He will reportedly enroll in school in September, but as a professional baseball player. Again, Coach Hines is left holding the bag. Better still, with no one to hold running foes on the bags.



SWEATS OUT DRAFT EXEMPTION -- Louisville, Ky. World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Cassius Clay wipes the sweat off his brow as he carries religious books into the Federal Building here August 23rd. Clay's attorney requested that the draft board here defer the champion from Armed Forces duty on the ground he is a Black Muslim minister. (UPI PHOTO).

BOPIN' with "SWEET BOB"

Hey Baby! What's going on? Well I guess by now you see that my star put me in a trick, but who needs stars any way? Evidently this "Cat" forgot that I'm playing his records, (smiles).

Well, I guess by now it's no secret that after four long years at WLE "Big Bill Hayward" is leaving to accept another job at a radio station in Washington, D.C. I'm very happy for Bill but I still can't help from feeling the loss myself. Bill has helped me tremendously in my effort to become a much better announcer. I'll always be grateful to him, Ray Henderson, and Brother James, for their help in my radio career. There is no word on who will replace him, (and by gosh that won't be easy), but we'll let you know.

I'm sure that I speak for the entire staff and management of "Wonderful Willie", and all of our listeners in saying we wish him luck. In fact, the BEST OF LUCK, BILL.

Say, speaking of following Bill, how do you think I'll feel doing the "Breakfast Show" after him. I don't worry though, because look at him. He had to do it behind "Dr. Jocko" (smiles).

Quickly now, let's look at that top five: 1-You'll Lose A Precious Love; 2-Open The Door To Your Heart; 3-Just The One I've Been Looking For; 4-If You've Got The Lovin'; and 5-Land Of 1,000 Dances.

Well, Louk-a-poo Sugar Boo, I've got to get another coating of sugar.