

NCC Eagles Eke Out Win Over Aggies In Turkey Day Classic

Eagles Narrowly Defeat Aggies To Place In Race

DURHAM - North Carolina College's Eagles defeated their arch-rivals from North Carolina A&T College in a Thanksgiving Day Carolina Classic battle that featured dazzling defensive play by both football teams.

The 12-6 victory gave Coach James Stevens' charges their sixth win of the season. Stevens, in his second year, has posted two wins against Bert Piggott's Aggies.

Defensive play by both teams made the game a thriller. The Aggies' Elvin Bethea was named as A&T's most valuable player for his bone-crushing tackles. Bethea recovered two Eagle fumbles in the process. With the Eagles' star end Roosevelt Robertson closely covered on almost every play, freshman end Julian Martin walked away with NCC's most valuable player award. Eagle quarterback Herman Mathews, Terry Cole, and Walter Funderburk also found willing and capable receivers in halfbacks Ollis Carson, Colon Oliver, and Roy Anderson.

Mathews, who started the game for the Eagles, passed 19 yards to Martin to set up the first touchdown of the game early in the first quarter. From the four-yard line, Mathews then passed to Oliver and sneaked across from the one for the score.

Aggie back Mike Johnson returned a 39-yard punt by Billy Shropshire to A&T's 30-yard marker to start the Greensboro team's touchdown drive. Quarterback Craig Sills threw a six-yard pass to Johnson to keep the drive going. Pass interference by NCC left the Aggies on NCC's 30-yard line.

Halfback Richard Armstrong carried for seven yards in two plays, Willie Vaughn ran ten yards for a first down, and a Sills pass to Johnson resulted in the touchdown.

Third-quarter events included two fumble recoveries by A&T, one by Bethea and one by Warren Frye, and Eagle end Thomas Cameron's interception of a pass by Sills.

Eagle halfback Stanley Gibbs intercepted a final quarter pass from Sills and ran 14 yards to the Aggies two-yard line, setting up the second NCC touchdown. Willie Taylor lost one yard and Funderburk passed to Robertson for the touchdown.

With gametime running out, the Eagles attempted to set up the match with a field goal attempt by Richard Howard. The kick was to the left of the goal, and a startling series of ball exchanges began.

Sills fumbled the ball for the Aggies on the 28-yard line. Recovery for the Eagles was made by tackle Jerome Gantt. Halfback Anderson ran to the two-yard line on the Eagles' first then fumbled.

With his back to the wall, Sills threw a pass that was intercepted by Eagle Thomas Cameron. Anderson, on the three-yard line, fumbled again, Aggie Henry Hipps recovered at the three.

His chance for another score almost gone, Sills went for the long bomb. He threw one incomplete pass, then found Johnson on the 8, threw another incomplete pass, sent halfback Vaughn to the 15 for a first-down, and threw four more incomplete passes to end the game.



NCC SENIORS AND COACH - The senior members of the North Carolina College football team pose with Coach James Stevens and Henry M. Michaux, Jr., president of the NCC National Alumni Association with the Bull Eagle II Trophy. NCC now has two legs on the trophy by virtue of its 12-6 win over A&T College Thanksgiving Day in Durham. Shown in the picture from left to right are, kneeling, Louis Bell and Edwin Jones. Standing: Colon Oliver, Michaux, Roosevelt Robertson, Herman Byrd and Stevens. The extra leg behind Oliver belongs to ace punter Billy Shropshire.

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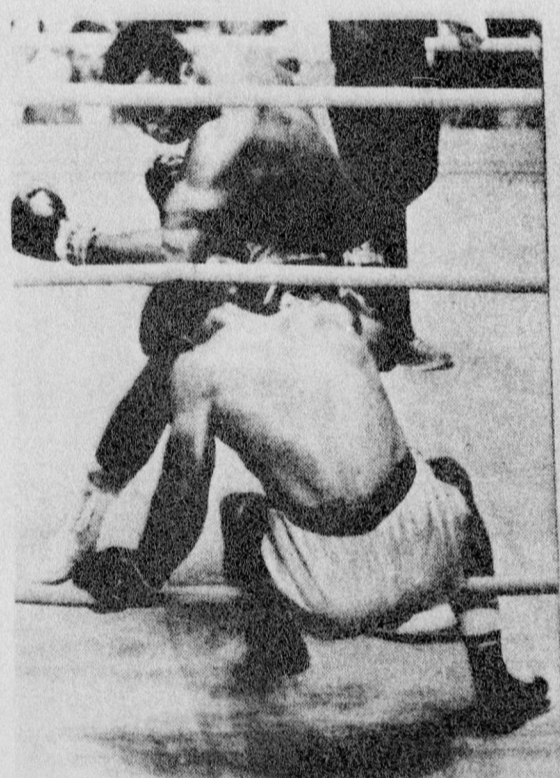
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STRETCHED VICTORIES TO 13 - Los Angeles: Undefeated Joe Frazier knocks Eddie Machen through the ropes in the first round and goes on to score a 10th round knockout. Frazier stretched his string of victories to 13 when the fight was stopped after 22 seconds of the 10th round as Machen stood with his arms down and helpless against the ropes. (UPI PHOTO).

'Bama State Downs Tuskegee In Turkey Day Classic 35-14

BY REID E. JACKSON
MONTGOMERY, Ala. - Gene Blanchard, a mercury-footed 180-pound senior tailback from Grosse, Tete, La., led the Alabama State College hornets to a convincing 35-14 victory over the Tuskegee Institute Golden Tigers in the 43rd renewal of their annual Thanksgiving classic here in Cramton Bowl.

'Bama State drew first blood in the contest when Blanchard danced into the end zone for the TD after Hornet tackle James Williams blocked Palmer Sullins' attempt to boot out of trouble on the Tiger five-yard stripe.

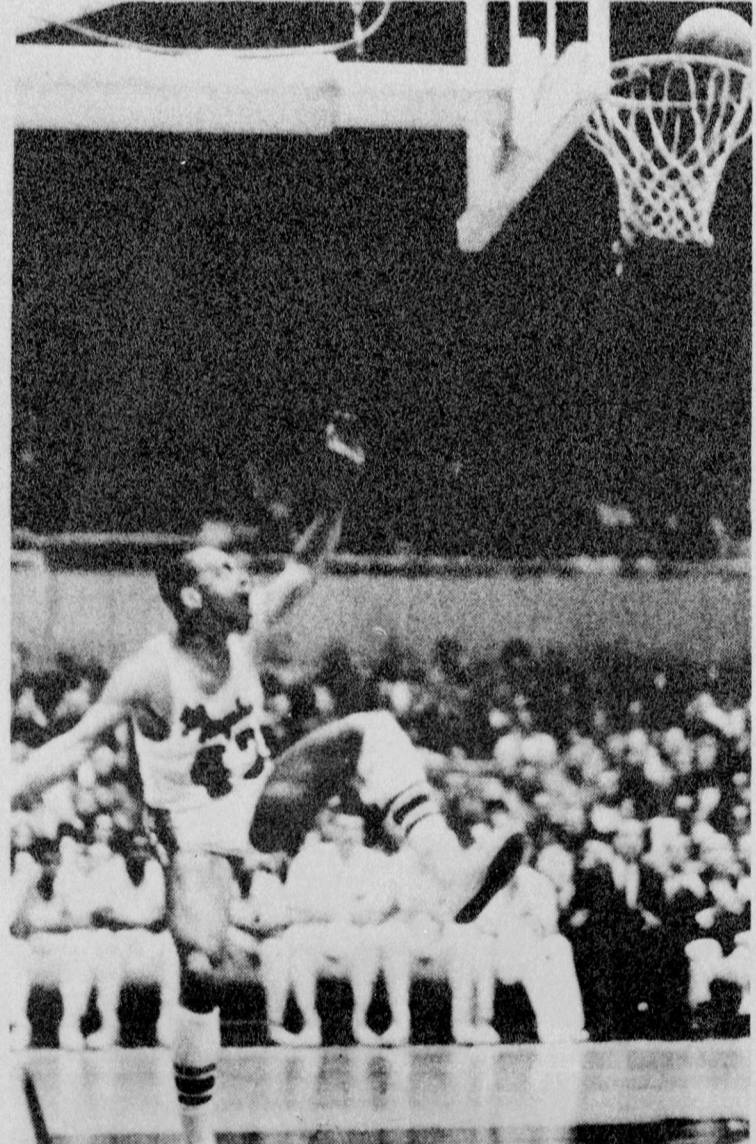
Williams, whose home is in Tuskegee, proved to be a constant scourge to the visitors as he repeatedly dumped Tiger backs for big losses. Prominent also in the surging charge of the Hornet forward wall were end John Pugh, who recovered Tiger Art Brown's fumble on the ASC 49, and linebacker Johnnie Fleen.

Shrine Youth Bowl Game To Draw 10,000 Saturday

WINSTON - SALEM - Ten thousand fans are expected to be on hand when the eastern all-stars clash with the westerners Saturday, 1 p. m. at Bowman Gray Stadium, in the 10th annual Shrine Youth Bowl Game, sponsored by the Shrine of the Desert of North Carolina.

Coaches T. M. Martin and Charlie England brought their charges in from the West Sunday and began a hard drill of coordination, in the first training session Monday morning. Walter Hunter and Ike Boone had the opportunity of seeing most of their boys, from the east, play. They also had to set up plays that all the members of the east squad could catch very quickly.

Persons who know the four coaches predict that this will be a game of strategy and could be decided on the breaks. Hunter has had Bowl Game experience due to the fact that he was in charge of the team that sported such names as Jimmy Raye, Pat White, and Dickie Westmoreland.



DANCING IT IN - Los Angeles: Los Angeles Lakers Walt Hazard uses a little body English and a few words to control the ball as it rolls on the top of the hoop during the first period of the Lakers-Chicago Bulls game Nov. 23. The ball went in for two points. The Lakers were leading the Bulls 115 to 97 early in the last period of the game. (UPI PHOTO).



AL ROOKIE OF YEAR - Mobile, Ala.: Chicago White Sox centerfielder, Tom Agee, is congratulated by his manager, Eddie Stanley, after he was named American League Rookie of the year Nov. 23. Both are from Mobile. (UPI PHOTO).

White Policeman Cleared In Death Of Ex-Boxer, Richard F. Haggan

CHICAGO (NPD) - A coroner's jury found a white policeman was justifying in slaying Richard F. Haggan, 40, Joe Louis' former sparring partner, during an arrest for a traffic violation.

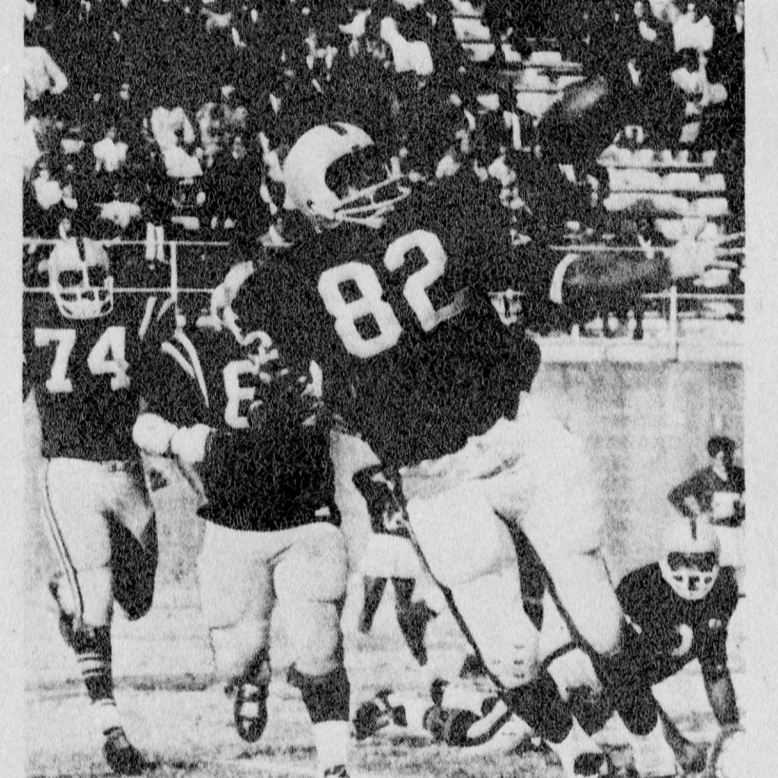
Lathaus Grady, a Southsider, who said he witnessed the shooting, testified that Ginkel pointed his pistol at Haggan after drawing it and shot the ex-boxer, after a delay of 45 seconds, "for no apparent reason."

Five Vets Form Nucleus For A&T Aggies

GREENSBORO - With four of last year's starters gone via graduation, Cal Irvin, head basketball coach for the A&T College Aggies, has problems of almost overwhelming proportions.

Gone are Bob Saunders, team captain, star playmaker and 1965-66 high scorer with 375 points for his senior year, Anthony Skinner, star rebounder and number three in scoring, and consistent performers like Dewey Williams and Jim Weber.

But Irvin hasn't tossed in the towel. "We will just have to build on what is left," he explains. He will build his team around five-good, solid ball players. The list includes: Captain Ted Campbell, a junior, 6-5, 235-pounds, who starred in his freshman year, but who had troubles in finding the basket last season; Co-captain George Mack, last year's number two in scoring; William Gilmer, a 6-6, 200-pound sophomore, who led the squad in rebounding and excellent back court men like Sylvester "Soapy" Adams, Carl Hubbard, Essroy Watts and Na-



THE CLINCHER - North Carolina College's Roosevelt Robertson makes a diving catch of a three-yard touchdown pass from Walter Funderburk in the fourth quarter of the Carolina Classic played between NCC and A&T College in Durham Thanksgiving Day before 10,000 spectators. This touchdown was the difference in the game as the Eagles held on to a 12-6 win over A&T. Defending for A&T are Willie Tucker (27), Willie James (74) and Neal Williamson (68).

than Pettus. Reminded that the Aggies were able to sign up three of the most sought after basketball players in North Carolina, Irvin pooh-poohs this.

High School Scores
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