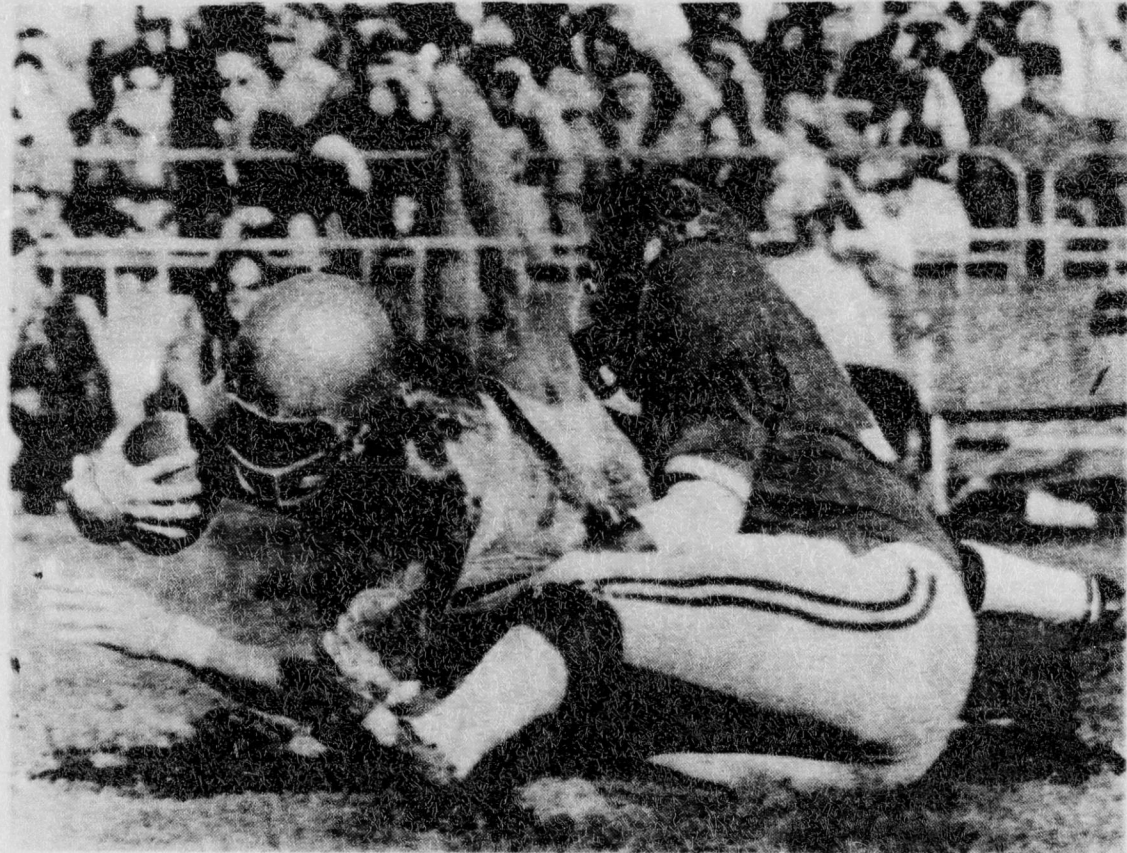




SCORES FIRST TOUCHDOWN-San Francisco: Dallas Cowboy back Duane Thomas (33) dances around San Francisco 49ers line from 13 yards out to score the Cowboys' 1st touchdown in 3rd quarter of their National Football Conference title game at Kezar Stadium. 49ers defenders are Bill Belk (E-72) and linebacker Skip Vanderbundt (52). Dallas won, 17-10. (UPI).



WEST QUARTERBACK DUMPER - Oakland, Calif.: West quarterback Dan Pastorini of Santa Clara is dumped by University of Cincinnati tackle Bob Bell of the East in 2nd quarter action of East-West Shrine classic at Oakland's Coliseum. Pastorini was nailed for a 17-yard loss on the play. (UPI).

Howard Captures Tourney,

WINSTON - SALEM - Howard University topped the Winston-Salem State Rams, 84-83 Saturday in the championship game to win the Holiday Festival Tournament which was played here Friday and Saturday nights on the Winston-Salem State Campus.

In the consolation game, Fisk edged past North Carolina Central, 66-62 to take third place honors.

Howard defeated North Carolina Central, 53-50 in the first round contest while the Rams easily advanced to the finals by walloping Fisk, 127-84 in action Friday night.

Freddie Lewis sparked the victory over NCC in the consolation contest. He scored a total of 22 points including six free throws and a field goal going down the stretch. Robert Moore clipped in with 13 markers for Fisk.

William Slade was the top scorer for the Eagles with 17 points in a losing cause while Redden Leggett added 15 points and Allen Reddish 13 for NCCU. The pair of wins for the Bi-

sons of Howard lifted their record to 7-2 for the season. The Rams are now 7-2 for the campaign while the Eagles suffered their fifth loss of the year against only one decision.

The Arizona Farm Bureau Federation announced that DDT has been credited with saving 20 million lives by killing mosquitoes and fleas which carry malaria and bubonic plague. A number of physiologists have conducted extensive research on the toxic effects of DDT on humans and have found the human system excretes it before it builds up to dangerous levels.

Charlie Scott Leads Virginia Squires

BY EARL MASON

Charlie Scott returned to old stomping grounds here last Thursday night to lead the Virginia Squires to a 127-117 win over the Carolina Cougars in an ABA game played at the Dorton Arena.

And old stomping grounds it was for Scott who has been the leading scorer for the Eastern Division league leading Virginia quintet. All Scott did was score 26 points, hand off seven assists, grab several rebounds and thrill the spectators with his all-around play before leaving the game with less than seven minutes remaining in the contest.

The rain, sleet and snow falling outside could not stop the fired up Squire team which had played and beaten the New York Nets in New York the night before. The Squires jumped off to a 38-27 lead after the first quarter and led 70-59 at intermission.

However, the Cougars, playing without the services of Bob Verga and Dave Newmark, battled back to the cut the margin to two points at 78-77 with 6:44 remaining in the third period. But in the next few minutes,

Neil Johnson led a rally for the Squires which netted 13 straight points and despite it being "Bones McKinney Night," Carolina could not muster up a serious scoring threat after this cold spell.

Carolina was able to cut the margin to 10-points after three quarters of play at 94-84. The Squires scored 14 quick points during the first four minutes of the last stanza and found themselves leading 108-84 with eight remaining in the contest.

Less than two minutes later, Coach Al Bianchi pulled most of his starters including Charlie Scott and turned the game over to the reserves.

Other than Scott, Virginia also had five other players in double figures including George Carter with 21, Johnson with 16, Mike Maloy with 15, Mike Barrett 13 and Doug Moe 11.

Larry Miller, who was a teammate of Scott for a while over at North Carolina, led the scoring for the Cougars with 24 points. Van Williford, ex-N. C. State, came off the bench and thrilled the spectators with his hustle and all-around play and finished the night with 19 markers.

SPORTS VIDEO



SCOTT IS LEADING CANDIDATE FOR ROOKIE HONORS
Charlie Scott showed the sparse crowd at Dorton Arena last Thursday night why he is one of the leading candidates for the "Rookie of the Year" honor in the American Basketball Association.

Scott was in town to lead the Virginia Squires against the Carolina Cougars in a regular scheduled game against the Carolina Cougars. After being introduced to the spectators, just prior to tap-off time, Scott responded to the hometown treatment by leading the Squires to a 127-117 victory.

He has taken over as leader for the Squires despite being a rookie. When a member of the Virginia quintet grabs the ball off the defensive board, they immediately look for Scott to give the ball to him so he can lead the fast break.

And lead the fast break he did. Time and time again, Scott took the ball down the floor and found the open man for the easy basket. The Squires got more than 35 field goals on either layups or close range shots.

Scott finished the evening with 26 points and seven assists. This was not bad for a night's work since he missed more than nine minutes in the game. On occasions, Scott, who plays both forward and guard, went to the board to get key rebounds.

Sporting better than a 27 point per game average to date and his team leading the Eastern Division of the ABA, Scott is one of the leading candidates for the "Rookie of the Year" honor in this league.

HOW WILL THE POLLSTERS DETERMINE THE NATIONAL CHAMPION?

Now that the bowl games are over, it is going to be interesting to see who will be declared national football champion for this season. With the top two teams going down to defeat New Year's Day, it will appear that third-ranked Nebraska would be declared national champion.

Some coaches who have opposed the poll and think that a play-off should be set up to determine the national champion instead of letting the members of the press select the team. This ideal seems to have gone down the drain and the decision as to who will be the national champion still lies in the hands of the news media.

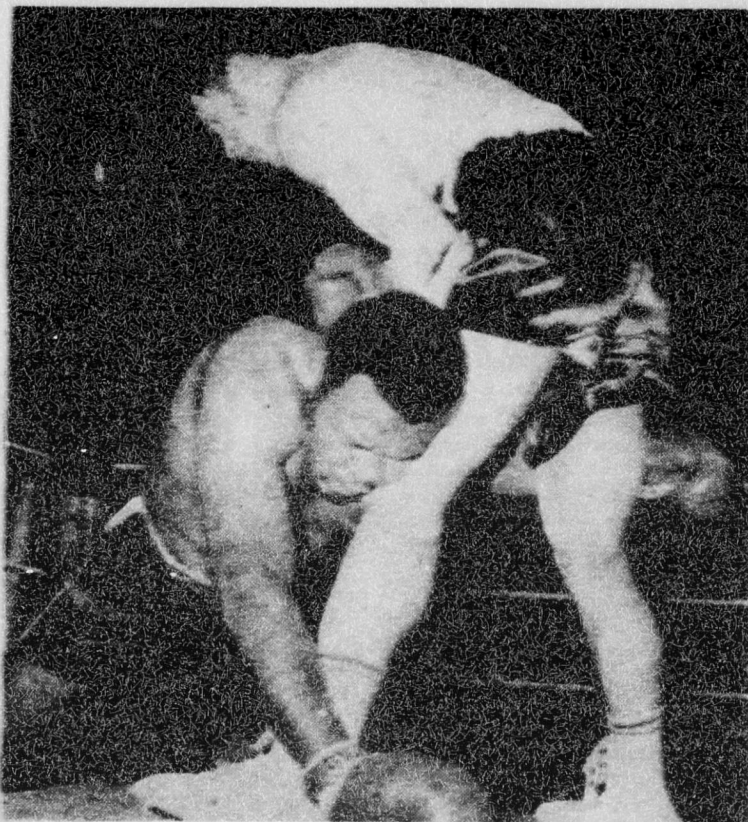
The question going through some coaches minds is what criteria does the news man use to determine the national champion. For example, Arizona State went undefeated during the season and concluded the year with a victory over North Carolina in the Peach Bowl but will any member of the balloting group cast a vote for Arizona State? This remains to be seen.

So records are not good enough in the eyes of the group who has the ballot in their hands. Of course, there is "ways going to be some squak from the members of the team that is not declared winner, but all we are talking about is what standards are they using to determine the champion.

During the telecast of one of the bowl games New Year's Day, one of the sportscasters went out on the limb to say that Arizona State should be national champion. Arizona who? This is more than likely the question that came to the minds of many viewers. Why? Because they had never seen the name Arizona State in the weekly polls. Then all of a sudden, they are in the limelight over night for the national championship.

The basketball teams do not have this problem because the teams get a chance to compete against each in the playoffs to determine the national champion. So the polls really mean nothing in the basketball world.

But until the day when the NCAA officials can get together with the news media in some more justifiable way to determine a national champion in football, the polls will mean absolutely nothing to the collegiate teams in the sport of football.



COPELAND HITS THE CANVAS -BERLIN: Everett Copeland of New York hits the canvas in front of Jose Manuel Urtain, former European heavyweight boxing champion, in the fourth round January 2. Urtain of Spain won the bout when the referee and judges disqualified Copeland for faking a knockout in the fourth round. (UPI).



DALLAS' BACK SURROUNDED BY FORTY-NINERS-San Francisco: Claxton Welch (42), Dallas' back is surrounded by San Francisco 49ers defenders as he loses a half yard in first quarter of their National Football Conference title match. At (L) is 49ers Roosevelt Taylor (25). At lower (R) is Jim Sniadecki (58). At right rear is linebacker Frank Nunley. (UPI).

Dignitaries And Friends Gather To Pay Tribute On Bones McKinney Day

BY EARL MASON

New Year's Eve is usually the time when people try to turn back the hands of time by taking a look over the events of the year about to go down in history. And New Year's Eve was no different this time.

The management of the Carolina Cougars paid tribute to their coach, Horace "Bones" McKinney by having "Bones McKinney Day" last Thursday. The day opened with a luncheon in the King William Room at the Velvet Cloak Inn at 12:30.

Dignitaries, fans and friends gathered for the luncheon despite rain, sleet and snow on the outside and showered McKinney with many words of praise and gifts. But of course in between these were rounds of laughter and enjoyment for all in attendance.

Bill Hensley served as dinner chairman and toastmaster for this event and did a splendid job of these chores. Also appearing on the program were Governor Bob Scott, Mayor Seby Jones, representatives from the city government for the cities of Greensboro, and Charlotte, Rev. John Lambert, Dr. Gordon Carver, Olin Broadway, Russell Brantley, Lou Bello and Carl Scheer.

After Rev. Lambert delivered

the invocation and a steak lunch was served, Hensley opened the program by making brief remarks about McKinney. His talk brought laughs from the crowd but he also found time to make some complimentary remarks.

Dr. Carver, representing the Durham High School team of 1937-'40 of which Bones was a member, brought back memories of the high school days he and his teammates had spent with McKinney. Broadway, substituting for Jerry Steele spoke on behalf of the former players of McKinney.

Speaking on behalf of Wake Forest University where Bones started out as an assistant coach and later developed great teams as head mentor, Brantley said, "I don't know of anybody more dedicated to total confusion than Bones is."

Bello, who was representing the officials, really put the match to the fire when his time came to speak. "Bones has never coached. He's always been chasing officials when it was time for him to coach. All you ever needed was a whistle," Bello concluded. To make his wish come true, Bello tossed a whistle over to Bones as a souvenir and then reached in his pocket and pulled out a pair of red socks, for which Bones

was noted for wearing during his collegiate coaching days, and flipped them over to Bones, also.

Governor Scott presented McKinney with the Distinguished Citizens Award. Mayor Jones declared Thursday as "Bones McKinney Day" in Raleigh and also presented him with a citation from the citizens of Raleigh. McKinney was also named an honoree citizen of Greensboro and Charlotte.

Near the end of the program, it was time for Bones to take his position and he tried to even the score by making some remarks back at the people who had appeared on the program before him.

Other celebrities in attendance included Thurlie McCrady, Jim Gardner and members from the teams McKinney played on and coached during his career.

"Trading stamps are being given by Chrysler Corporation as an incentive to perfect attendance and notraddness," reported the National Observer. "Perfect records for a month bring 100 stamps, 200 the second month, etc. With bonus stamps, a worker with a perfect record for six months could collect 3,200 stamps."

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