

# Shaw Bears Kickoff 1971 Grid Season Saturday Afternoon

## Locals Open Campaign Against Federal City In Washington

George Clement's Shaw University Bears will open their 1971 football season Saturday afternoon against Federal City College in Washington, D. C. Game time is set for 2 o'clock.

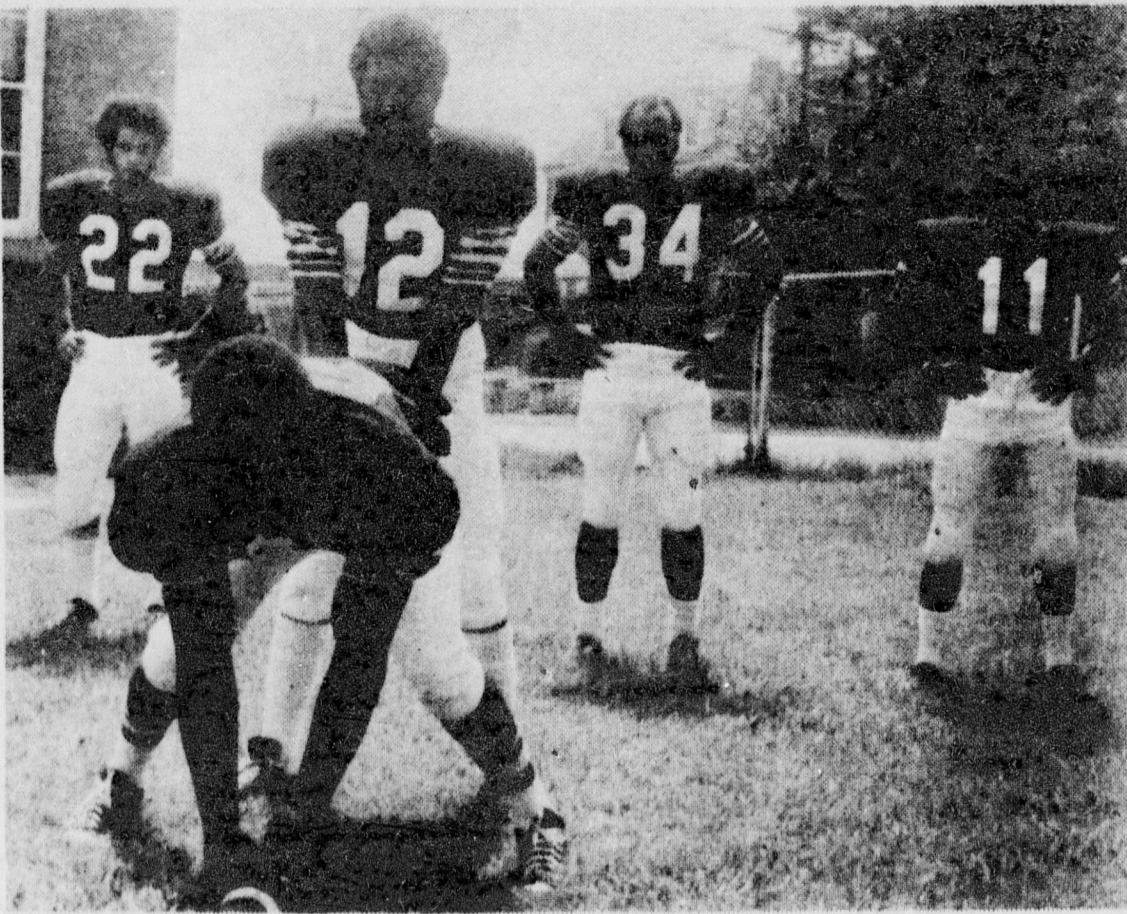
The Bears, picked to finish second in the CIAA Southern Division, hope to improve on their 5-3-1 record of a year ago. Federal City opened its schedule last Saturday at home losing to Fayetteville State, 9-6.

After discovering that team has to work overtime this week in order to be prepared for a strong Federal City eleven this weekend head coach George Clements of the Shaw University Bears is doing just that. After discovering many weaknesses with his forward wall and lack of coordination in his offense, Clements went to full drills Monday, working on kicking, blocking and most of all putting some glue on the hands of his receivers in an attempt to get the Bears ready for their trip to Washington Friday morning.

"We all realize we have a lot of work ahead of us," said Clements soberly. "Washington is a hotbed of talent and we realize

as they left the practice field this afternoon, I think they have worked hard on the mistakes they made last Saturday. They are all playing to win and they want to be a team. With that kind of attitude we have a 50-50 chance.

Most of the running chores will be on the shoulders of William Hackett who played for a short time during last week's scrimmage against NCCU in Durham. Between Hackett and Virgil Shamburger, who is an excellent prospect to fill the shoes of All-American Roderick Wynecoff, Shaw has a good chance to win its first conference title against Hampton Institute for their home opener the following week.



**STARTING BACKFIELD-** Pictured above is the probable starting backfield for the Shaw University Bears. Co-captain Joe Johnson will be the center while Leroy Jones (12) will be the quarterback. In the backfield with Jones will be Bonney Weeks (22), Co-Captain William Hackett (34) and Lionel Coleman (11). The Bears open their season Saturday in Washington against Federal City College. (Staff photo).

## Alcorn Has Five Of The Best Men In Its "Pit Crew" For This Year

LORMAN, MISS- Coach Jack Spinks of Alcorn has the distinct privilege of preparing men to fill five vital positions on a

football team—that group of hard working guys up front—the offensive interior line sometimes referred to as the "Pit."

The expression "pit" is given because these five players very seldom if ever hear their names called or see their pictures in the paper. Anonymity is an appropriate description in referring to interior offensive linemen.

As a matter of fact, many fans may even wonder why they are there, but believe me if they were not there you would see a completely different game.

The tackle positions find mammoth Elijah Brown and J. E. Frelch with big Alvin Moore ready to move in when needed. When describing the blocking ability of Louis White, Robert Penchion and Joe Thomas, Coach Spinks had to relieve his solemn look and smile.

Yet this strange situation applies only to the public at large, because these vital positions form the backbone for the team.

As coach of such an important crew, Coach Spinks is happy to have five of the best interior linemen in the country.....lanky Robert Penchion, 6'6" at right guard, big Joe Thomas at center and left guard Louis White.

"These are definitely the best blocking interior linemen in the conference," said Coach Jack Spinks.

NCCU's Richard Richardson, 6-5, 272 pound tackle, cannot play because of academic difficulties, and Morganton's Perry Lathmore, 6-3, 255 pounds, has elected to give up football to concentrate on his studies.



**CLEMENTE SLIDES HOME-** Montreal: Pittsburgh Pirates' Roberto Clemente (21) slides home in the seventh inning with the first run of the September 10 game. Clemente scored all the way from second base on an infield hit by Richie Hebner. Montreal Expos' third baseman Bob Bailey was charged with an error in an attempt to get Hebner out at first. Expos' catcher John Batman (2) waits for the ball that never comes. (UPI).



**READY FOR ELON-** Jefferson Inmon, a 5-10, 210-pound running back for North Carolina Central will be in the line-up Saturday night when the Eagles open their season at home against Elon College. Inmon, from Brooksville, is one of the power runners for NCCU. (NCCU Photo).

## N. C. Central Opens Against Elon Sat.

DURHAM - North Carolina Central University will open its 1971 season at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, September 18, in Durham County Stadium against Elon College of the Carolinas Conference.

N. C. Central Coach George Quiett has a host of veteran Eagles, most of them juniors, ready to test themselves against Elon's forces.

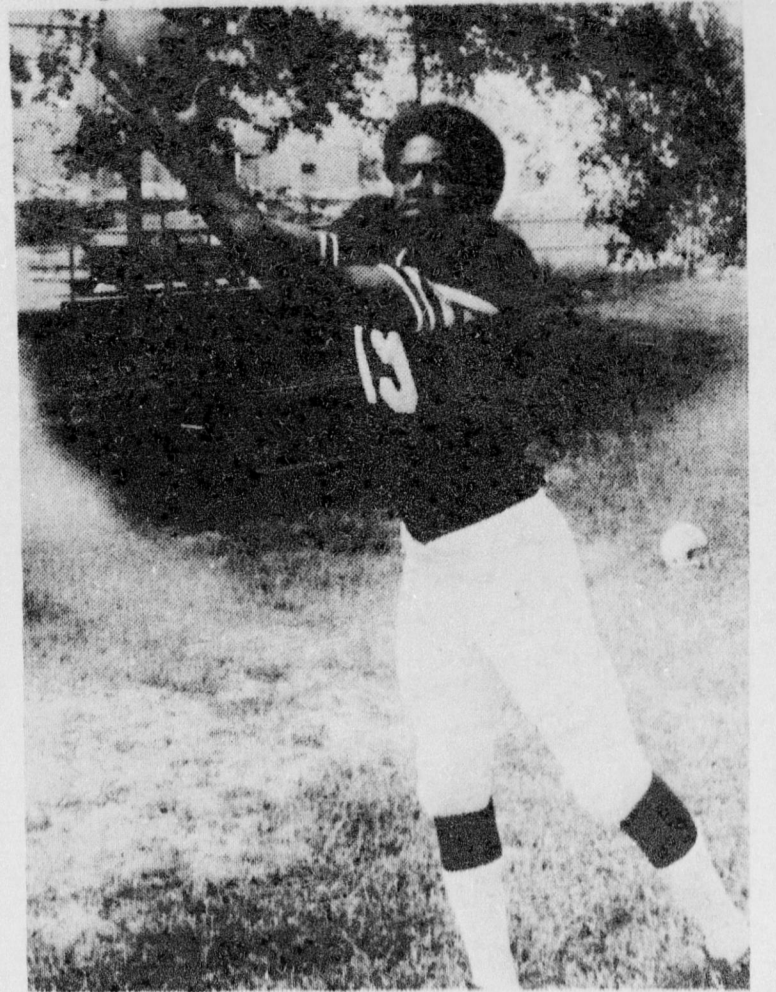
The probable starting line-up for the Eagles will include two freshmen, Washington, N. C., back William Gullford, 170 pounds, 5-11, will probably hold one of the running back slots, along with junior Jefferson In-

mon. The other freshman is defensive end Sam Jones, 6-1, 225 pounds, from Danville, Va.

With Gullford and Inmon in the backfield will be last year's starting quarterback, Garvin Stone, and fullback Herman Anderson.

The offensive line will include tackles Gordon Armstrong and Bracey Bonham, and guard Thomas Saxon, with the other guard slot still in question. At center will be sophomore James Sneed.

The ends will be Jason Caldwell as wide receiver and many-faceted Mahlon Williams at tight end.



**TOP RECEIVER-** Larry King will be one of the prime targets for Shaw University passers Saturday afternoon when the Bears open their season against Federal City College in Washington, D. C. King is a 6-4, 200-pound junior from Wilson. (Staff Photo).

## 5,000 Spectators Turnout For A&T Grid Scrimmage

GREENSBORO- It was hard to believe that 5,000 persons would show up to see a football scrimmage, but that's what happened at North Carolina A&T recently.

Billed as the first annual Blue-Gold game, the intrasquad scrimmage was a real attraction to Greensboro's Memorial Stadium. These were all paying customers.

In the football game itself, Paul McKibbens won the battle of freshmen quarterbacks. Making his debut before as an Aggie, McKibbens, a 6-3 player from Atlanta, scored a touchdown himself and threw a 54-yard scoring pass to end Ray Pettiford of Greensboro to lead the Blue to a 25-0 victory.

Coach Hornsby Howell's rebuilding program was also help-

ed by freshman running back, William Medley of Charlotte. Medley scored twice on short runs late in the fourth quarter. McKibbens finished the game with 197 yards passing on 12 of 29 completions. Freshman Len Relford quarterbacked the Gold Team.

The game gave Howell a good chance to test most of the 80 players still on the squad. The Aggies also got fine performances from linebacker Ben Blackhall, defensive back Mike Warren and defensive back James Cunningham.

A&T will open its 11-game season at South Carolina State on Saturday, Sept. 18. Both teams will be making their debut in the newly formed Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC).



**TOUCHDOWN GALLOP-** North Carolina State's Charley Young is off to the races on a 50-yard touchdown run against Kent State last Saturday. Young, a native of Raleigh, gained 71 yards in five carries in his first game as a collegian.

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