

'Howard To Contest NCAA Action'— Dr. J. E. Cheek



IN ACTION - All-CIAA candidate forward Alton Cogdell displays his form against Shaw University recently. Fayetteville State University defeated the Bears for the second time this season and currently have a 7-2 CIAA record and stand 11-5 overall. (FSU Photo by John Henderson)

FSU Cagers Continue Surge In CIAA Race

FAYETTEVILLE The Fayetteville State University basketball team is over the top and winning.

The Broncos, coached by Thomas L. Reeves, have not lost a single contest since starting the second half of the hardwood campaign.

This could mean trouble for opponents as the Bronco hardwood-men prepare for the home stretch of the torrid CIAA race for the 1972-73 cage season.

Fayetteville State University presently stands 7-2 in the CIAA right behind the Winston-Salem State University Rams in the Southern Division of the league.

The Reeves-men are currently sporting an 11-5 worksheet overall.

Since the New Year began, the Fayetteville State University squad have mowed down four straight CIAA opponents in impressive fashion.

The Reeves-men have defeated Virginia State College, Livingstone College, Saint Paul's College and Shaw University.

The Bronco basketballers have conquered Livingstone College and Shaw University both at home and away.

In their latest 97-80 victory over the Shaw University Bears, All-CIAA contender Alton Cogdell poured in 24 points and continues to average over 30 points per contest for FSU.

The 6-4, 195 pound St. Paul's North Carolina native "can-do-it-all" according to the skipper of Broncos, Thomas Reeves.

"Cogdell is very effective and tough in a one-on-one situation," said the FSU skipper, "and he moves the ball extremely well plus he is an excellent rebounder and shooter," Reeves said.

Having defeated the Shaw University Bears earlier this season by two points at Raleigh, "I thought it would be a lot closer," smiled the genial boss of the Broncos.

"All of the kids are hungry to play good ball and I believe we will play this way throughout the season," said the likeable Reeves.

Coach Reeves has praised his team for their unselfish play and team spirit.

Although the Broncos have a winning team, the squad has many very versatile players.

Junior guard James Tyus who

hit 18 points against Shaw is a very deadly outside shooter and rebounder. Forward Roy Birch and Terrence Murchison each added 12 points. Roy Birch is very quick and has been very deadly on defense.

"If you are not careful Birch will steal the ball and have it in the basket before the opponent knows what has happened," smiled Reeves.

Terrence Murchison, a 6-6 forward-pivotman, has proven to be a very clutch rebounder and shooter and is averaging over 12 rebounds per game.

Howard Prexy Says Team Will Not Surrender Soccer Title Until Matter Is Clear

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Howard University will not surrender its 1971 Intercollegiate Soccer Championship trophy until the matter is finally resolved, Dr. James E. Cheek, President of the University, declared last week.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association notified the University on January 10 that it had been placed on probation for a year for having violated NCAA principles governing the eligibility of student athletes.

The telegram from Earl M. Ramer, NCAA president, said the Howard soccer team has been prohibited from playing in the national collegiate soccer championship or any other post-season soccer competition for a year beginning January 9, 1973. The team will play its regularly scheduled games during the season, beginning in September.

At a news conference in Chicago announcing its sanction, the NCAA added that Howard will be stripped of its 1971 national soccer title. The telegram to the University did not mention loss of the 1971 title.

Howard's soccer team won the 1971 national title by defeating St. Louis University, 3-2, in the finals at Miami, Florida, to climax a 1971 season of 15 victories, no defeats, and no ties. The Soccer Bisons won 14 games and lost 1 during the 1972 season before losing 2-1 to St. Louis in the semi-finals at Miami.

Dr. Cheek said the University will appeal the NCAA's action and "will take all appropriate legal steps toward securing an equitable determination of the NCAA rules and regulations concerning the eligibility of athletes."

Dr. Cheek's statement on the NCAA's action follows:

Howard University has been notified by official telegram from Dr. Earl Ramer, President of the National Collegiate Athletic Association that the University "has been reprimanded and censured and placed on probation...for a period of one year beginning January 9, 1973, for alleged violations of NCAA eligibility rules."

The University is greatly disturbed at news reports that the NCAA has exercised the additional sanction of vacating the University's 1971 Intercollegiate Soccer Championship. The telegram from NCAA President Ramer made no mention of our soccer title

having been vacated. The University, therefore, while relying upon the official telegram, is at a loss to understand the conflicting reports about the NCAA action regarding our soccer team.

When the University appeared before the NCAA Council in Chicago on January 9, 1973, and indeed throughout the course of the investigation, alleged violations of NCAA eligibility regulations, the University argued then and maintains now that the regulations in question are not only unintelligible and ambiguous but are vague and invidiously discriminatory since they establish one set of standards for American athletes and another set of standards for foreign athletes participating in collegiate sports in the United States. This discrimination in the present instance is heightened by the fact that the student athletes in question are natives of Black Nations.

We will appeal the NCAA Council's decision and we are prepared to take all appropriate legal steps toward securing an equitable determination of the NCAA rules and regulations concerning the eligibility of athletes.

Until this matter is finally resolved, Howard University has no intention of surrendering its 1971 Intercollegiate Soccer Championship.

Howard University's Championship Soccer Team has given impetus and brought excitement to a sport which is increasing in national popularity and we feel that it is simply because we are a Black institution that the NCAA was requested to investigate the eligibility of our outstanding players, all of whom, incidentally, maintain academic averages far in excess of the NCAA requirements.

It is interesting to note that a number of institutions of higher education have expressed grave concern about the NCAA eligibility rules especially as they are applied to Black athletes.



HARRIS IN ACTION - Displaying one technique that has made him an all-conference guard for three successive seasons, North Carolina A&T's William "June" Harris double pumps for a basket over Winston-Salem State's Roger Wells. Harris' 24 points coupled with James Outlaw's 19 led the Aggies to a 73-68 win last week for an 8-3 season record.

William Harris Keys A&T's 73-68 Victory Over Winston-Salem State

GREENSBORO - When the heat is on for North Carolina A&T, All-MEAC guard William Harris is usually around to cool things off.

Harris put the chill on once beaten Winston-Salem State University Thursday night by sinking five consecutive free throws and keying the Aggies 73-68 victory over the Rams.

An A&T 14-point second half lead withered before the eyes of 7,500 spectators in the Greensboro Coliseum as Ram forward Roger Wells sank three quick baskets and big 6-7, 230 lb. center Earl Williams collaborated in spearheading a comeback which left A&T with a 66-64 lead with 1:19 on the clock.

Almost a half minute later Arthur Chavious fouled Harris and the All-American candidate drew a one-and-one. Chavious argued the call and was tagged with a technical. In response Harris shelled in three charity points.

He dropped through another pair as the Aggies retained the ball and Chavious was pinned with an intentional grab.

The Aggies were up 71-64 with only 19 seconds left.

All toll Harris was credited with 24 points, seven rebounds, three assists and only one personal foul. But his major nocturnal contribution came in guarding Winston's star guard Sandy Smith, who in their previous encounter prior to Christmas wrecked the Aggies with 26 points. This time around he went scoreless in the first half and wound up with only four points after Harris has stuck to him like infrared radar.

Williams led the Rams with 24 points and a whopping 23 rebounds.

And with all-conference guard James Outlaw adding 19 points to the cause even though sitting out 11 minutes with three and later four personal fouls, Coach "Big House" Gaines just couldn't find the right combination to win the 501st game.

He inserted three new men in the lineup when his scrappers fell behind by 14 and Joseph Hooker's seven points quickly challenged the Aggies. But A&T's Warren Reynolds kept

Gaines confused by pumping in several reserves of his own and by going to a brief zone defense.

"Our players were really motivated for this game," panted Reynolds after the emotional affair. "I think they're finally learning the importance of disciplined offense, run when able and look for the good shot when necessary."

"But we're heading into our conference (Mid-Eastern Athletic) schedule now and our success will depend on our kids doing what I've been stressing."

A&T is 9-3 overall and 3-1 in the conference with a 91-80 win over S. C. State Friday night.

HARVEY EXCELS

The next Grambling line for praise is reserve fullback Floyd Harvey who lost his job to tough 1000-yarder Tureaud. Undaunted, Harvey kept the faith, hit the books and was awarded the Football Foundation Award as Scholar-Athlete. Floyd maintained a 3.2 accum over his four year stay.

STRIKES AND SPARES

BY PHYLLIS ROBINSON

After a long holiday and snow vacation, The Raleigh Mixers came back in full blast and Monday night at Fairlanes. The three weeks delay had a bad

effect on some of the league bowlers including yours truly. But it didn't prove to be anything short of a rest period for The Blazers as they took a 3-1 decision from Holden's Cleaners. Norman Mitchell rolled a 178-156-160 for a 494 set, Nathaniel Montague had a 237-179-171 for a 587, and Terry Hough a 220-190-184 to gain a 594.

Joe Harris of Holden's shot a nice 179-197-171 for a 547 set and Clarence (Hook) Morgan had a 198-138-204 to get a 540.

The Johnson Five pulled a 4-0 win over The Mark V with Barbara Walker bowling a 152-172-151-480 set. Irene Hunter had a 163-188-149 for 492 and Walter Johnson rolled a 149-173-189 for a 511 set.

Stone Walker of The Mark V had a "super fine" 203-221-214 for a 638 despite the loss and Alfred Williams had a 154-167-166 Alfred Williams had a 154-167-166 for a 487.

The W.C.C.'s shutout The liams had a 169-178-162 for a 509. Doris Dodd rolled a 198-119-135 to get a 452 and Donald Williams had a 159-193-158 to earn a 510 set.

The Lucky Five took three games from The Friendly Five. Luther Coppedge bowled a 144-165-199 for a 508 set and J. Prince a 180-121-115 for 416. Friendly Five's Larry Lucas a 196-117-141 for a 454.

Standings for the week show The Johnson Five in first place by a 38-26 margin. The Blazers are in second place with a 35-29 worksheet. The Lucky Five moved from sixth place to third. They have won 32 and lost 32. The Newcomers are in fourth, 31½-32½. Holden's Cleaners is tied for fifth with The Mark V both at a 31-33 lock up. The W.C.C.'s are in seventh with a 29-35 and The Friendly Five at the bottom, 28½ to 35½.

Since this is my first article of the new year, I would like to wish all of my readers a very happy and prosperous New year from The Raleigh Mixers and myself.

Next week I will begin my weekly profiles that so many of you have asked about.

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