

BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

HE SET THE PACE AND WON THE RACE

CLASSIC SHOWDOWN AT THE COTTON BOWL; BIG MEAC BATTLES IN G'BORO, DAYTONA BEACH



A GIANT: Legendary Tennessee State Tigerbelles track coach and mentor Ed Temple passes at 89.



PACESETTER: Former Tennessee State and Olympic women's track coach Ed Temple speaks during the dedication of his statue in Nashville in 2015 (AP).

Legendary track coach Ed Temple passes

Legendary track and field coach Ed Temple passed away late Thursday evening (Sept. 22) at the age of 89. Temple coached the Tennessee State University Tigerbelles from 1953 to 1994 and served as head coach of the U.S. Olympics women's teams in 1960 and 1964 and assistant coach in 1980. Under his direction, Wilma Rudolph, became the first American woman to win three gold medals at a single Olympics, in Rome in 1960. She won the 100 and 200 meters and teamed with a trio of Tigerbelles, Martha Hudson, Lucinda Williams and Barbara Jones, to win the 400 relay.

Temple, whose other gold medalists from TSU included Edith McGuire and Wyomia Tyus, was inducted into nine halls of fame, including the Olympic Hall of Fame in 2012, where he was one of only four coaches to be inducted. He also served as a member of the U.S. Olympic Committee, the International Women's Track and Field Committee and the Nashville Sports Council. Temple coached his teams to more than 30 national titles and led 40 athletes to the Olympics. The famed Tigerbelles earned a total of 27 Olympic medals, 15 of which were gold.

2016 BLACK COLLEGE FOOTBALL (Standings and Weekly Honors)

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CIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK: QB - Randall Dixon, CHOW - 21 of 32 for 372 yards and five TDs in win over Livingston.

MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK: OFFENSE - Caleb York, So. QB, SC STATE - 21 of 38 for 238 yards and four TDs in win over FAMU.

SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK: OFFENSE - Kevin Lacey, Sr. QB, TUSKEGEE - 16 of 24 for 218 yards, 3 TDs and ran for 61 yards including 10-yard score in win over Lane.

SWAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK: OFFENSE - Devante Kincade, Jr. QB, GSU - 30 of 42, 400 passing yards, 5 TDs, also rushed for 58 yards and a TD.

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Trey Green - PVAM QB



Chad Williams - GSU WR

SCORES

SEPTEMBER 22 Charleston 26, W. Va. State 7 SEPTEMBER 24 Bowie State 55, Shaw 13 Chowan 41, Livingstone 14 J. C. Smith 31, Eliz. City State 28 St. Augustine's 35, Lincoln (PA) 31 Virginia Union 22, Fayetteville St. 18 W-Salem State 35, Virginia State 14 SIAC Benedict 21, Fort Valley St. 14 Clark Atlanta 37, Ave Maria 13 Kentucky State 17, Central St. 14, 3OT Miles 31, Morehouse 7 Tuskegee 38, Lane 7 West Georgia 27, Albany State 23

MEAC Missouri 79, Delaware State 0 N. C. Central 34, Norfolk State 31 Morgan State 28, Howard 24 Sav. State 16 Beth-Cookman 10, OT S. Carolina State 48, Florida A&M 14 SWAC Grambling State 43, Alcorn State 18 Jackson State 32, Ark.-Pine Bluff 20 Pr. View A&M 56, Miss. Valley St. 21 Southern 59, Alabama A&M 31 Texas Southern 31, Alabama State 27 INDEPENDENTS Bloomsburg 54, Cheyney 14 Point 23, Edward Waters 20 Truman State 37, Lincoln (MO) 0

No. 2 vs. No. 4 showdown in SWAC

LUT WILLIAMS BCSP Editor The big game on the HBCU menu this week is in the SWAC where top West Division contenders Grambling State and Prairie View A&M tangle in the historic State Fair Classic at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas (3 p.m.).

Grambling (2-1, 2-0 SWAC W) and Prairie View (3-1, 2-0 W) enter the game with unblemished conference marks. Grambling is ranked second in this week's BCSP Top Ten while Prairie View is fourth.

The two teams have matched up every year since 1985 except one (1991) in the usually well-attended Classic with Grambling dominating the series. The G-Men hold a 25-5 mark including winning 20 straight times, usually by lopsided scores, between 1987 and 2008.

But Prairie View broke the streak with a 35-32 win in 2009 and the Panthers have won three of the last five games. The last two however, have gone to Grambling including last year's 70-54 shootout where the teams combined for 1,136 total offensive yards.

That's a far cry from the original classic, staged at the Cotton Bowl in 1925 that pitted Langston College against Wiley College. That game ended in a 0-0 tie. Prairie View entered the classic in 1929 and primarily played Wiley up until Bishop College came aboard in 1967. Bishop and Prairie View faced off until Grambling got involved in 1985.

"It's always been special because it's something that's been here for a number of years," said Grambling head coach Broderick Fobbs at Monday's SWAC Teleconference. "It's a historic event. It's huge. This is where coach (Eddie) Robinson broke the (all-time wins) record."

Grambling State running back/kick returner Martez Carter had perhaps the best game in his impressive career last year scoring four touchdowns, bringing back 88- and 100-yard kickoffs to the house, catching a 39-yard scoring pass and scoring on a 10-yard run.

GSU wide receiver Chad Williams also scored on 83- and 36-yard scoring passes. GSU quarterback Jonathan Williams had six scoring passes in the game.

Carter and Williams are back as weapons for the G-Men this season with new quarterback Devante Kincade now at the controls. Williams leads the SWAC with 33 receptions and 471 receiving yards in three games.

Kincade has picked up where Williams, the 2015 SWAC offensive player of the year, left off. The Ole Miss transfer completed 30 of 42 passes for 400 yards and five touchdowns last week in a 43-18 win over SWAC defending champion Alcorn State. Kincade is currently the SWAC's total offense leader at 298.0 yards per game, is tops in pass efficiency (171.3) and second in passing yards per game (273.3 ypg.).

He has thrown eight touchdown passes without an interception and is completing a league-best 68.8% of his passes.

Prairie View senior quarterback Trey Green led the top scoring offense last year in both the SWAC and FCS at 44.9 points per game. Green threw for 2,614 yards with 21 touchdowns and only three interceptions.

It's been quite different this season after losing several of his key weapons to graduation. Thru four games, Green is hitting on only 48.2% of his passes with six touchdowns and as many interceptions. The Panthers are still third among the SWAC's scoring leaders at 31.5 points per game. Grambling is second at 33.0 ppg.

Another top game is in the MEAC and has 2015 co-champs Bethune-Cookman (0-3, 0-1 MEAC) and North Carolina Central (2-2, 1-0) facing off in Daytona Beach, Florida (4 p.m.). NCCU is fourth in the BCSP Top Ten.

Last year, NCCU missed a chip shot field goal in the final seconds that allowed B-CU to escape Durham (N. C.) with a 28-26 win. The loss came back to haunt the Eagles as it ended up costing them the outright MEAC title and a berth in the first annual Celebration Bowl.

B-CU, fighting a number of injuries, will come in smarting off a stunning 16-10 overtime loss to Savannah State, a team that had won just two conference games since joining the MEAC in 2011. The loss dropped the Wildcats out of the Top Ten. NCCU opened conference play last week with a hard-fought 34-31 win at Norfolk State. Another MEAC game to keep your eye on is

GAMES THIS WEEK

Table listing game schedules for Thursday, September 29 and Saturday, October 1, including matchups like Kentucky Wesleyan vs. Central State and Tuskegee vs. UNC-Pembroke.

BCSP TOP TEN

- 1. NORTH CAROLINA A&T (2-1) - Was off last week. NEXT: MEAC opener at home vs. No. 9 Hampton Thursday on ESPN. 2. GRAMBLING STATE (2-1) - Defeated No. 8 Alcorn State, 43-18. NEXT: Facing No. 4 Prairie View in Dallas at the Cotton Bowl.

THIS WEEK'S TOP PERFORMANCES

Table with columns for Passing, Rushing, and Receiving, listing player names and statistics.

the Hampton (2-2, 1-0 MEAC) vs. North Carolina A&T (2-1, 0-0) match up Thursday night (7:30 p.m. on ESPN) in Greensboro (N. C.). Current BCSP No. 1 A&T pulled out a close 45-31 road win last season in Hampton.

In other top games, undefeated and BCSP No. 7 Tuskegee (4-0) hosts fellow unbeaten UNC-Pembroke (4-0). UNC-P has beaten three CIAA schools (WSSU, FSU and Shaw) so far this season. Top SIAC contenders Albany State and Miles meet in Albany, Ga. (7 p.m.).

BCSP NFL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Profile of Isaiah Crowell, RB, Cleveland (3rd year, ALABAMA STATE) - Had 15 carries for 79 yards in loss to Miami. Thru three games, Crowell is second in the NFL with 274 rushing yards, 91.3 yards per game.

Profile of Eric Weems, WR/KR, Atlanta (10th season, BETHUNE-COOKMAN) - Returned two kickoffs for 54 yards (27.0 average) including a long return of 42 yards in win over New Orleans. OFFENSE - LARRY DONNELL, TE, NY Giants - (4th season, GRAMBLING STATE) - Three receptions for 11 yards in loss to Washington.