

SPORTS CORNER

By Al Marbly

Basketball is on its way, with the many teams shaping up as usual. Some appear to be giving better performances than last year while others are dropping down the scale a bit. However, for the next two months the sports eye will be on basketball all over the country.

In the EIAC Conference the teams are working up for the big kill. Will Fayetteville's five be able to walk off with the conference title again this year? Livingstone has come up with a fast moving and hustling group of boys who have beaten Fayetteville once this season, but will they be able to take the title this year? Who will be able to stop who? will be the question some one must answer. Maybe the Pirates will give an answer to this question by coming up with a championship team after being runners-up for two years.

The Globe of Sports

Floyd Patterson, native of Brooklyn and 1952 Olympic Middleweight Champ, promises to be the best puncher since the early Joe Louis. He made his pro debut last year, when he served a TKO to Eddie Godbold. Since he is only 19 years of age, his mother signed pro-contracts for him. . . . Sugar Ray Robinson, after his defeat last June by Joey Maxim, has given up his boxing career and has turned pro in another field, dancing. . . . For the first time in history, a few collegians have made play-for-pay ranks on the first try. West Virginia University's 6'9" Mark Workman is now working out with the Philadelphia Warriors . . . Duke's Dick Groat, a sensational shot from any angle, may help Fort Wayne into title contention . . . Walter Dukes has already a contract with New York's Nic's.

RAMS OUTPOINT PIRATES

The mighty Pirates were all out on the night of January 8, to cop their fourth consecutive home game as they met the Winston-Salem Rams. All spirits were high and all eyes were on the three top scorers of the game; however, the Rams edged them by a score of 59-56.

During the first half, the Pirates offense and defense proved to be too strong for the Rams. Ernest Davis, Freeman, and Greer, were again high scorers in the Pirate line-up. As the half ended, the Pirates were out ahead by a neat 33-26 score.

However, as the last half was well under way, the Pirates seemingly were losing their shooting eye. The offense slowed up a little, and the defense opened in favor of the Rams. As the clock recorded the last seconds of the game, the Pirates had fallen behind by three points. Before they could regain them, time had run out, causing the Pirates to suffer their first home defeat by a score of 59-56.

Only free people can hold their purpose and their honor steady to a common end, and prefer the interest of mankind to any narrow interest of their own.—Woodrow Wilson.

FALCONS BOW TO PIRATES

The Elizabeth City Pirates, after dropping one out of three games while on a three-day tour, came through tonight on their home court by edging the Saint Augustine Falcons by a score of 84-82.

An excited and enthusiastic crowd watched both teams put on spectacular performances. There were thrills and excitement from the beginning to the end. This game will probably be recorded as one of the most thrilling of the season.

Captain Davis turned in a magnificent performance as he displayed masterful ballhandling and racked up a total of 36 points. Harry Freeman, high scoring guard, also displayed superb ball handling as he racked up 19 points. James Greer, center, another high scorer, racked himself up a neat 14 points as he displayed the art of tapping in points.

Al Marbly and Santiago Burrell scored 5 and 10 points respectively. Then to climax the game John Bynum took a set shot which was tapped in by Greer capturing the game at overtime.

ALUMNI NEWS

Several out-of-town Alumni have attended the athletic contests during the year.

At the recent S. T. C. and St. Augustine game were seen Isaac Battle and his girls and boys' basketball teams from the T. S. Cooper High School at Sunbury.

Also Melton Bryant, Edward Cooper, Thomas Lassiter, Ruby Lyons, Roxie Lowe, Roberta Banks, George Reid, Rosa Reid Martin, and Mary Lee James.

Mrs. Mattie Newby Claiborne, Nashville, Tennessee, was called to Elizabeth City recently to attend the funeral of her aunt who was killed in an accident in New York City.

Great opportunities come to all, but many do not know they have met them. The only preparation to take advantage of them, is simple fidelity to what each day brings.—A. E. Dunning.

PRESS ASSOCIATION
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Association meeting, student round table discussions, sectional meetings and tea for Advisers as guests of CSPA will conclude the exercises for the day.

Saturday, March 14, the general meeting will begin the activities for the day. Newspaper and magazine Clinics and Youth Forum will be held. At dinner at the Waldorf Astoria Ballroom, announcement of special awards will be made, noted speakers and guests will appear, and finally the convention Birthday Cake Ceremony will conclude the Convention Program for 1953.

Elizabeth City State Teachers College has been officially invited to participate in the 29th Annual Convention, the theme of which is "School Publications Stimulate Creative Effort".

—Nina C. Perry

PIRATES WHIP MINER 60-41

Once again the Elizabeth City Pirates proved to be most aggressive, as they whipped the Miner five by a margin of 60-41. The Pirates were scoring at will throughout the game.

Greer, Freeman and Captain Davis were the high scorers for the Pirates. Davis and Freeman were ahead with 13 points each and Greer trailed with 9.

The Pirates showed superiority, not only in points, but also in height. Coach Vaughn's fine coaching and encouragement to the players have proved to the victories of the Pirates.

During the third and fourth quarters spectators saw a different team on the court. One could say that they were well trained because they held up until the original or first team appeared on the court.

PIRATES HALT LIVINGSTONE

The Livingstone five lost their first Conference game this season when the Pirates downed them 75-65. The Teachers showed many improvements in handling the Salisbury team.

Although they got off to a good early start the State quint overcame that and never found themselves behind again.

The game was a very close and exciting one with each team trying desperately to reach the end with a victory.

The highest scorer for Livingstone was Massey with 27. Harry (Uncle) Freeman scored 15 for the Pirates.

ELIZABETH CITY EDGES SHAW

An enthusiastic crowd witnessed a thrilling, breath-taking game when the Elizabeth City Pirates edged the Shaw Bears by a score of 51-49 on January 7. The superb and spectacular play of the Pirates under the leadership of Coach Robert (Bobby) Vaughan proved to be an asset over the Bears. Although Shaw was ahead at the end of the first quarter, the mighty Pirates battled diligently

From the second quarter throughout the game it was hustle and tussle. The Pirate Captain, Ernest Davis; forward, Harry Freeman; and center, James Greer, were three of State's high scorers. Their spectacular performance and high scoring climaxed the brilliant performance of a powerful Pirate team.

CITY STUDENTS ORGANIZE PROGRESSIVE CLUB

The city young women have formed a city student organization for the purpose of becoming more engrained into the total program of the college, and contributing more fully to it.

The officers of the club are Mary Basnight, president; Mary Gatling, vice-president; Millie Brown, secretary; and Rosa Ebron, treasurer. Elaine Welch, and Mary Gatling are representatives of the Social Committee, and Mrs. Rose Robinson, Dean of Women, is adviser.

The young ladies will hold their meeting every Thursday during conference hour. They are urging every city young lady to attend regularly.

—Esther Hunter

FEMININE SPORTS ANGLE
By Mazor Slade

Play has been defined as an occupation engaged in for recreation rather than for business or from necessity. As we know it recuperates and restores the mentally and physically tired. Girls, let us flee from empty idleness to active recreation in play.

The Intramural program set up for students has proved successful. It has given them a chance to use up some of their energy as well as to "recreate" after classes. Under Coach White skills and techniques for athletic games, including volley ball, have been taught during the recreation hour.

INTRAMURAL SPORTS

The Intramural sports program has proved successful. Coach White posted on the bulletin board the standing of the men teams. They are as follows:

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Whizkids	2	0	1000
Trotters	1	0	1000
Daredevils	1	1	.500
Panthers	0	11	.000
Apaches	0	2	.000

Two games were played that were not official due to teams not appearing with eligible men. A forfeit will result if teams fail to appear on time in the future. Let's try to keep our teams together, boys.

SYMERA HORNETS DEFEAT THE BIAS HALL EAGLES

The Symera Hall Hornets in the opening of the Intramural basketball season made a most impressive showing.

The game got underway with the Hornets scoring first after about five minutes of play. Then the Bias Hall Eagles score one point, but the Symera Hall Hornets took over and scored again.

The second quarter found the Hornets with the same defense they used in the first quarter, but the Hornets continued to hold their advantages. With only a few seconds left to play in the first half, Spruill decided things had gone far enough and scored two points putting the Eagles in the lead.

The fast breaks of the Bias Hall Eagles proved no match for the slow playing of the Symera Hall Hornets.

Ethel Anderson, a junior and an all round 5'6" forward for the Symera Hall Hornets, was the star of the game. She scored eleven points out of 20. Sarah Staten, with her fast breaks, was the high scorer of the Bias Hall Eagles, but the game ended with a score of 20-14.

—Mazor Slade

Winston-Salem Rams Stops Pirates

The Teachers of Winston-Salem stopped the Elizabeth City Pirates 70-53 for the third time this season. On hand to watch the hardwood contest were over 2,500 people in Atkins High Gym.

At the end of the first quarter the score was 27-7 in favor of the Rams. The second half, however, was a little more impressive for the Pirates as it was nip and tuck all the way. In this period the Pirates pushed 28 points thru the net.