

Rampaging Rams Roll To Visitation Title

By John Tobias
Sports Editor

In spite of the disastrous beginning of the basketball season where the Ram basketball team lost five consecutive games, the tide turned as the Rams clobbered J. C. Smith's Golden Bulls, 107-80. This bombardment of the Smith quintet was led by the superb outside shooting of Willie Curry who scored 38 points and the effective inside shooting of Richard Glover who scored 31 points.

After winning this game, the team proceeded to go on a nine-game winning streak, mowing every would-be challenger by executing the running game that is a Ram tradition. Some scores were: a 76-68 beating of Elizabeth City and an important 92-59 walloping of the Trojans of Virginia State, then number one team in the conference.

The winning ways continued as the offensive attack continued to click with a 92-64 beating of St. Augustine, 72-63 beating of J. C. Smith and a 68-60 beating of the Aggies of A. & T. This was a game in which the bench strength of the Rams was shown. Gil Smith, freshman jumping jack from Philadelphia, Pa., relieved Richard Glover who fouled out with 13:27 of playing time in the game and did an able job. Luther Wiley, veteran senior back court man, replaced Teddy Blunt who also fouled out in the final stages, and turned out to be the game's hero, scoring four of the last points on free throws.

Following this thriller with the Aggies, the Rams continued to roll as they avenged an early season defeat to Virginia Union by beating them 87-69. This game saw Richard Glover score 28 points and snatch 26 rebounds. Also able assistance was given by Willie Curry and Mickey Smith with 18 and 14 points respectively. Fayetteville suffered with a 62-50 loss to our team.

Going into Durham with a chance to take over sole possession of the conference lead, we tangled with the Eagles of NCC. With slow-and-run tactics, the Eagles whacked up our offense and managed a 71-64 victory.

This defeat did not slow down the championship hopes of the team; their forces were gathered, and they walloped the Falcons of St. Augustine 92-71. In this game the team was without Richard Glover, who dislocated a small finger on his left hand in a practice session. In his place, Gil Smith did an adequate job. Teddy Blunt, playmaker, turned scorer and bucketed 21 points. He put on his usual exhibition of setting up plays with sharp passes to open teammates.

On the following night the Rams journeyed to the pastures of the Golden Bulls of J. C. Smith. Many people felt that this was a certain defeat because of six beatings on the Smith court, but that was to be a night of no denying the Rams.

The game was nip and tuck with the Bulls leading 36-33 at halftime. This was by far not the end for the Rams. Midway through the second half the Rams caught fire and raced to a 75-66 victory. Teddy Blunt again led the scoring with 24 points, 12 of these were free throws. Willie Curry and Mickey Smith did excellent defensive work on the sharpshooters from Smith.

Intramural Sports

Coach John Miller is in charge of the intramural sports found on our campus. The three intramural sports on our campus are bowling, basketball, and track.

Trophies are awarded to the two top bowlers in the ladies and men's divisions of the Intramural Bowling League. Trophies are awarded on the basis of the bowlers, total pins for each week the bowlers bowl.

The leading bowlers so far this season are as follows:
Barbara Purdie 539 pins
Dorethea McKnight 371 pins
Robert Bell 613 pins
Clifford Grady 609 pins

A bus leaves the gym at 6:30 p.m. Thursday for the bowling alley. All young women and men are welcome to go bowling. The league will end February 21.

In basketball, trophies are awarded to championship girls' and boys' teams, most valuable player, girl and boy. The Basketball League began January 14. Two games are played nightly, one for girls and one for boys.

The Intramural Track League opened Feb. 16. Competition is open to both girls and boys. These events will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday morning Feb. 13. All team entries must be in by Feb. 13. Ribbons will be awarded for the first four placers in each event of the track meet.

The Intramural Council is composed of Elsie Hardin, senior; Frank Bowens, senior; Lucia Daniels, junior; Marty Robinson, junior; and Shane Washington, sophomore.

Coach Miller has asked that you support your intramural program.

Track Team To Open Season On March 16

The Winston-Salem Teachers College Rams track team will have the following schedule:

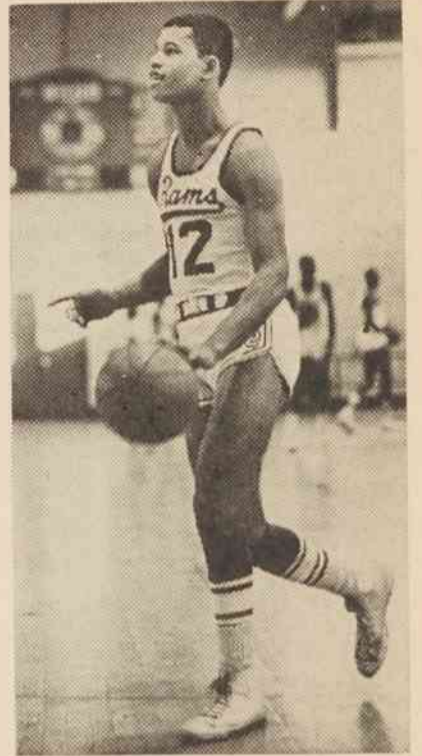
March 16 — Elizabeth City Teachers College at Winston-Salem; 23—four teams at Fayetteville, N. C.; 30—Triangular Meet at Ft. Lee, Va.

April 6—Four teams meet at Virginia State College, Petersburg, Va.; 9—Dual meet at J. C. Smith University, Charlotte, N. C.; 12—Virginia State Invitational Meet, Petersburg, Va.; 20—Winston-Salem Invitational meet—Livingston, Norfolk State, J. C. Smith University, St. Augustine's College, Shaw University; 25, 26, 27—University of Pennsylvania Relays — Philadelphia, Pa.

May 3-4—Quantico Marine Corps Relays or J. C. Smith Relays; 10-11—C. I. A. A. Track and Field Championships—Raleigh, N. C.; 25—N. C. A. A. Track and Field Championships (small colleges), Petersburg, Va.



Coach C. E. Gaines receives outstanding coach trophy from Dr. Jack Brayboy.



TED BLOUNT
... most valuable player ...

Rams Win Tourney

The mighty Rams proved to be the mightiest of them all in the CIAA during the 1962-63 season. They won the 18th annual CIAA Basketball Tournament 75-68 over the Virginia State Trojans Saturday, March 2 before 8,000 fans in the Memorial Coliseum.

Coach C. E. (Bighouse) Gaines was voted the outstanding coach of the tournament. Sophomore Ted Blount was named the most valuable player of the tourney. He and Richard Glover were elected to the all-tournament team.

To reach the top the Rams ran and ran in the second half to overwhelm Elizabeth City 101-81 in the first round. They slowed down the game in the second half to take Johnson C. Smith 54-49 in the semifinals.

Virginia State eked by Norfolk State 86-83 in overtime in the first round and topped A. & T. 77-70 in the second round.

To beat Virginia State, the Rams had to be at their best. The Rams held a 10-point lead in the second half, but Virginia State tied the score 63-63 by the end of regulation time.

The Rams made their free throws in overtime and held their stall to win.

Next goal of the mighty Rams is the NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) Tournament in Kansas City, Mo. Tourney dates are March 11-16.

ALPHAS DOWN OMEGAS

In a recently played basketball contest, the hustling men of Alpha raced to a 61-58 victory over the flashy men of Omega. The victory charge was led by Sphinxman Thomas Ivy, whose brilliant defensive tactics on ex-varsity man Tim Autry proved to be the major factor in the victory.

An Inside View

By Charlie Simmons

The battle of the eight first division teams in the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association will turn the basketball spotlight on Winston-Salem's Coliseum February 28, for the 18th annual basketball tournament.

The A. & T. Aggies, tournament champions a year ago, will be out to retain their championship. Winston-Salem Teachers College Rams, remembering last year's tournament, are out to even the score with the Aggies. Other teams in the tournament are Johnson C. Smith Golden Bulls, Virginia State Trojans, North Carolina College Eagles, Elizabeth City Pirates, Maryland State Hawks, and Norfolk State Spartans.

Several of the conference's brightest stars will bid for individual honors. Richard Glover, Winston-Salem Teachers junior sensation, will be backed by two of the CIAA's finest guards, Teddy Blunt and Willie Curry.

A. & T. has one of the best forwards ever to wear an Aggie uniform. He is James Jackson. Many things are expected from Hugh Evans and Nevil Shed, the team's outstanding rebounder.

Johnson C. Smith will present one of the tallest teams in the CIAA with more than five players averaging 6-5 or better. Stoney McMorris and Ray Hinnant are the most outstanding. They also have one of the better guards, Freddie Neal.

Virginia State can be counted on to supply the fans with some thrilling basketball. They have good personnel in 6-8 Frank Stevens and Jim Cunningham.

Maryland State cannot be counted out as a championship contender. They have good personnel and the best of them seem to be 6-7 Albert Santio and Eddie Williams. Williams is currently leading the conference in scoring.

North Carolina Eagles could be the sleeper in the tournament. This is the team to watch. They have played exciting basketball this season. They proved themselves capable of being true champions by defeating the Rams once in tournament play and once in conference play. The amazing thing is that they beat the Rams in Whitaker Gymnasium which is a difficult task for any team.

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