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TWO MORE BUCKETS IN THE BOOK - Allen Porter arches one in from the baseline (left) and Robin Hoey banks a soft one off the bockboard as the
Braves downed Virginia Wesleyan College in their closing regular season Braves downed Virginia Wesleyan College in their closing regular season
Braves Down Lenoir C C
In Twin Bill
Chowan opened conference baseball play with a doubleheader win over
Lenoir Community College here March Lenoir Community College here March
14. The Braves won the opener 11-2 and
the second game $12-6$ the second game $12-6$.
Two Braves Dale Frye and Vince
Lococo, hit $2-2$ in the first game. Frye, Two Braves Dale Frye and Vince
Lococo, hit 2-2 in the first game. Frye,
with a double and a single, drove in three runs and scored once. Lococo had two singles to plate one run. He scored
once. Ronald Brooks homered and once. Ronald Brooks homered and
singled in four trips for Chowan to drive in two runs.
Norman Bernard limited Lenoir to Norman Bernard limited Lenoir to
three hits in going the route for Chowan. In the nightcap, Tommy Heines and Jay Sexton each had two hits in three appearances for Chowan.
Both drove in two runs. One of Sexton's Both drove in two
hits was a homer.
Steve Jobe was the winning pitcher.
He was relieved by Randy He was relieved by Randy Temple in
the fifth when Lenoir scored five runs. the fifth when Lenoir scored five runs.
Chowan leads the Eastern Tarheel Chowan leads the Eastern Tarheel
Conference with a $2-0$ record. The Braves are 3-1 overall.
The Braves resume
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at Lenoir March 31. Home at Lenoir March at. Home
doubleheaders begin at 1 p.m. and
single games at $1: 30$ p.m. LINESCORES
$\begin{array}{lr}\text { Lenoir CC } & 022 \text { 000 }-232 \\ \text { Chowan College } & 132203-1110\end{array}$ Ward, Blackburn (4) and Byrd; Bernard and Jones.
 Chowan College $234030 \mathrm{x}-12121$
Baker, Howard (3) and Barrow; Jobe, Baker, Howard (3) and Barrow; Jobe
Temple (5) and Johnson, Morris (5).


CONFERENCE CHAMPS - From left, front row: Coach Deese Randolph Bell, Ronnie Lamb, George Jerry Smith Ted Rutter, Eddie Ellerson, Robert Drawhorne, Doug Long, Greg Dawson, Rusty Aran Gregory, Robin Hoey and Lewis Williams: back row:
Allen Porter Edward Mclean, Ron Williams, David

Braves Set Basketball Records Despite Tournament Losses

By MIKE BARNHARDT The men's basketball team ac-
complished several records this year despite poor playing in tournament ac-
tion. tion. Coach Jerry Smith's Braves were the first Chowan team to win a conference title, to win all its league games (10)
and to appear in a district tourney and to appear in a district tourney. The
team finished with a $20-8$ record. The Braves lost, however, both of their tournament games. Lenoir Community College handed
the Braves a $87-79$ loss in the semi-finals of the Eastern Tar Heel Conference tournament at Louisburg College. "They outplayed us and wanted to
win the ball game, and we didn't play as win the bali game, and we didn't play as
inspired as we had in the past against them," Sminth said. Chowan was led by sophomore center
George Drawhorne who scored 25 George Drawhorne who scored 25
points. Two freshmen, guard Robin points. Two freshmen, guard Robin
Hoey and forward William Bogues canned 18 points each.
Avery Dawson, a $6-5$ sophomore
center, led the Lancers with 27 points. center, led the Lancers with 27 points.
smith attributed the setback to smith attributed the setoack to
several factors. Among them were Lenoir's excellent free throw shooting
and his club's failure at the foulline and and his club's failure at the foul line and
an abundance of turnovers. Lenoir, the fourth place team, sank 26
of 33 free throws of 33 free throws while the Braves
managed only five of 16 . managed only five of 16 .
Smith said, "I really can't tell you Smith said, "I really can't tell you
what happened. They had some great guards. took the high percentage shot
and got a lot of layups." and got a lot of layups."
"Three people did the scoring for us, "Three people did the scoring for us, others got only two or four points.
Usually we get 12 or 14 points from one Usually we get 12 or 14 points from one
and eight to ten from another. But we and eight to ten from another. But we
just didn't get any scoring from the others."
Plagued by cold second half shooting, Chowan was ousted from the Region 10
basketball tournament by North Greenbasketball tournament by North Green-
ville Junior College 8469 in the first
round.
The Braves opened the game sizzling, The Braves opened the game sizzling,
hitting almost every shot and sinking 10 of 13 foul shots to forge a $42-36$ halftime lead.
The second half was a complete reversal hit only 12 or 45 second-half field
Braves Bral attempts, which Smith said was
the dectide the deciding factor.
North Greenvile's North Greenville's main offensive
weapon was its fast break with forweapon was its fast beak with for-
wards Terry Strickland and Chuck Orr driving for easy layups. Strickland and Orr led the South Carolina team in scor-
ing with 32 and 21 points respectively ing with 32 and 21 points respectively.
The Braves were led by Bogues with 19. Alan Porter with 12 and Ron

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Williams with 10 were the only others in binations, but to no avail. Their poor shooting and numerous turnovers
double figures.
Smith emptied his bench in the se-
enabled North Greenville to rally for cond half, trying several different com-

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