

Weary Braves Win Pair

By HARRY PICKETT

It wasn't easy, but they won any way. Chowan College, playing at home after two rough road games at Ferrum and National Business College, took two victories on December 11 and 12 by disposing of Fork Union and Virginia Wesleyan College in doubleheader play.

Chowan fought for its life on December 11 when Fork Union sent the Braves into double overtime. The Braves triumphed, however, 99-91.

Freshman center William Barnes paced the Braves with 20 points and 10 rebounds. Sophomores Robin Hoey and William Bogues each added 17 points and Ronald Williams chipped in 14.

At the end of regulation play the score was knotted at 79-79, and 87-all at the end of the first overtime.

Chowan met Virginia Wesleyan in the championship game of Tuesday. The Marlins whipped Fredrick Military Academy in the opening round of the two-day tournament to earn the right to play the Braves in the Championship contest.

Chowan whipped the Marlins on Tuesday, 74-69, despite hitting only 30-for-70 from the field.

The Braves rallied from a 35-28 halftime deficit to take the victory after the teams were knotted four times during the first period.

"Virginia Wesleyan had the most talent of any team we've played," Chowan head coach Jerry Smith observed after the championship contest.

Smith said that he was pleased with the win even though it wasn't the "prettiest" game played. He pointed out his players were tired from the double-overtime game with Fork Union the night before.

"We were just tired enough for it to affect our game," Smith added.

Virginia Wesleyan ran off 16 points during a seven-minute span after being knotted at 19-all to take a seven-point advantage at the half. Sophomore forward Greg Dawson chipped in six of Chowan's nine points during the Wesleyan spree.

The Chowan partisans came to life in the second half when little 5-foot-7 guard Mark Murdock displayed tenacious defense coming off the Brave bench in a reserve role.

Murdock put defensive pressure on Wesleyan point guard Larry Jefferies. Everywhere Jefferies went, the hustling Murdock was there too. It looked as if the little China Grove native's presence changed the whole complexion of the game itself.

Trailing by eight points at 47-39 with a little over 14 minutes remaining, the Braves caught fire — reeling off 12 points to Wesleyan's four. The Braves tied the game at 51-51 on a free throw by sophomore center Randolph Bell with 9:52 remaining.

Smith said that the crowd finally came alive and that they did a good job. "Murdock went out there and picked 'em up," Smith chuckled.

The Braves broke the deadlock on a Bell follow and increased the lead to five with a two-handed slam dunk by freshman forward Johnny Johnson with 8:20 left.

The Marlins cut the score to one at 64-63 with a three-point play from sophomore center Kenny Simmons with 4:07 remaining, and narrowed the gap again at 66-65 with a layup from guard Joe Cole.

But Bell netted another follow for Chowan, added an insurance free throw, teammates Murdock and Haywood Evans came off the bench to chip in five points and stave off the Marlin surge.

Wesleyan center Simmons led all scorers with 23 points. William Bogues paced the Chowan attack with 20, followed by 11 for Dawson and 10 for Barnes.

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is a little on the negative side; however, he said that the weather is beautiful in North Carolina. He has friends at North Carolina State University, and says he chose Chowan because it was near the Raleigh school.

"I don't like it (United States) much because many traditions are different," Al-Loughani said with a soft-spoken accent. "People are more different from Kuwait in their behavior. People in America think money is their life. In Kuwait money means something, but it doesn't mean that much."

People in Kuwait are very religious," he went on, "they think about Allah (Islamic God) and what he will give you after death."

Al-Saffar, the shy of the two, says he doesn't really like the United States either, but there are a few things he does like, such as cake and blue jeans, "but I don't like football — it's too dangerous."

Both agreed that English is a difficult language to learn. They said that they had most of their trouble learning slang terms, and trying to understand Americans who speak fast.

Al-Loughani's appraisal of America



LIFE-SAVING TECHNIQUE — Mark Jenkins demonstrates proper form of applying cardiopulmonary resuscitation during Coach Jerry Hawkins' swimming class. Photo by Keith R. Calhoun

Kuwait Youths Find U.S. Ways Strange

By HARRY PICKETT

Basem Al-Loughani and Yousuf Al-Saffar of Kuwait are the first foreign exchange students from Kuwait to attend Chowan College, according to Director of Admissions Thomas Taylor.

Kuwait, an independent Arab state in Eastern Arabia, lies between Iraq and Saudi Arabia; it has a population of approximately 555,000. "Its population is a little bigger than the state of Delaware," Taylor noted.

Al-Loughani, 19, and Al-Saffar, 20, were granted full scholarships to attend school in the United States by their government. Kuwait also sends its students to London, Egypt and Saudi Arabia for formal educations. This year, according to Al-Loughani who's a pre-journalism major, the country limited its majors to journalism, science courses and "no business courses," he added.

Kuwait, one of the highest per capita income countries in the world due mostly to its abundance of crude oil, gives scholarships annually to students who finish in the top 65 percent of their high school graduating class academically.

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Belk Leads in Cup Race At End of Fall Semester

By SUSAN PATE

At the close of the 1978 Fall Semester, Belk Hall held the lead in the President's Cup Competition.

There are six areas of competition in which the six residence halls and the day students participate. The leaders in the six areas are:

- 1 - Academics: Day Students
- 2 - Attendance to College Sponsored Events: Jenkins
- 3 - Intramural Sports: Columns & Mixon
- 4 - Residence Hall Programs & Activities: Belk
- 5 - Disciplinary Cases: Day Students
- 6 - Proration: Tied between Belk, Day

Students and Jenkins

Cumulative Rankings are as follows:

Units	Ranking	Points
Belk	1	33
Jenkins	2	32.5
Day Students	3	24
East	4	22.5
Columns & Mixon	5	22
West	6	18
Parker	7	16

Competition in the area of academic grades will continue through mid-term. The other five areas of competition will continue through Honor's Day, which is May 4, 1979.



ROYAL RIDE — Joanne Collins, Chowan's 1978 Homecoming Queen, Flashes a smile in the annual

Christmas Parade in Murfreesboro sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. Photo by Nancy Thierry.



Geni Rumberg, Jerry Moran and Melanie Pattisol (l to r) discuss stuffed animals with manufacturer's representative. Photo by Tom Williamson.

20 Students Take Merchandising Trip

By DONNA SWICEGOOD

Merchandise management students learned first-hand about the marketing of women's clothing, children's clothing and furniture in a recent trip to Charlotte. Twenty students participated in the January 16-18 trip, according to Mrs. Elizabeth Francis, of the Business Department.

The trip included visits to the Charlotte Mint Museum, Charlotte's Eastland Mall, and the Southern Furniture Market Center in High Point. In addition the students attended the Trade Show at the Carolina Trade Center and attended the children's apparel show at the Charlotte Merchandise Mart, Mrs. Francis stated.

The purpose of the trip was to learn how the marketing of women's clothing, children's clothing, and furniture plays an important part in the merchandise management program since the curriculum is concerned with the management and the marketing of merchandise. It is important that the students appreciate all that is involved in bringing clothes and other merchandise to the attention of buyers throughout the Virginia-Carolina region, of which Charlotte is the center,

Mrs. Francis added.

The students participating in the trip were: Lari Helfand, Margaret Austin, Tom Williamson, Tracie Figart, Lissa Frye, Jerry Moran, Geni Rumberg, Diane Canaday, Bill Gilliam, Terry Francey, Lisa Carpenito, Lynn Carter, Veronica Stevens, Rema Frazier, Jean Metz, Barbara Foster, and Melanie Pattisol.

Study Lab Will Meet Wednesdays

By SUSAN PATE

The Study Lab, which was started during the fall semester, will continue to meet every Wednesday night from 6 to 7 in the second floor lounge of Belk Hall.

The Study Lab is designed to help students who are having problems in any area of academics. Students who have previously taken the courses, as well as those who are now taking the courses, will be on hand to assist those having problems.

More information about the Study Lab can be obtained from Mrs. Wilcox in the Counseling and Career Development Department.

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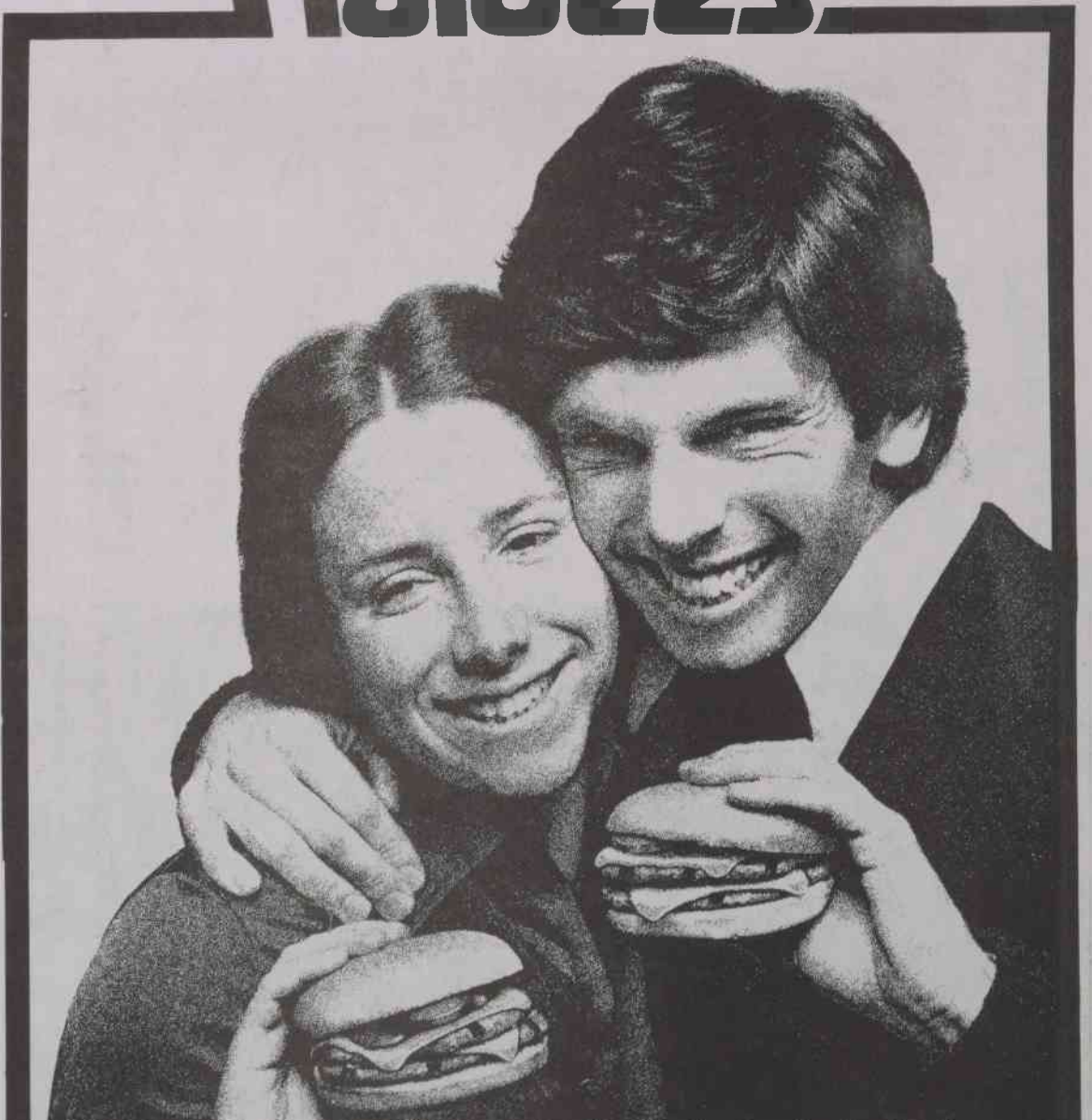
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