

SPORTSCOPE

By JOSEPH BECTON

Robert Kornegay, one of the referees in the Fayetteville State-NCC game, seemed to think that he was calling a Globetrotter game with his foul calling tactics that centered the attention around him during the regulation game. He disagreed with his colleague on numerous occasions to make it one of the worst officiating performances seen this season in the gymnasium.

However, after Gil Riley and Chip Sligh had tied the ball game, 75-75 from the foul line, Sad Sam Jones had the center of attention focused on him as he scored all ten points for NCC in the five minutes overtime period. The Eagles emerged as victors to keep their winning streak intact.

Has Coach Brown found a winning combination in Chip Sligh, Gil Riley, Carlton Bell, Don Burke, and Sam Jones? They haven't lost a game since he started this crew after they had sustained their second conference loss against Virginia Union University, 62-20 . . . It's good to see Jackie Robinson hang up his spikes and call it a career while he is still a hero in many people's eyesight . . . Coach Walker and his cindermen are working daily toward a successful track season. Among the veterans on the squad are Lee Calhoun, James "Oswall" Lane, John Vasser, and William "Fox" Nelson. A man that bears watching is Robert Dobbs who is a sprinter, and a fine one at that . . .



Joe Becton, Jr.

As basketball play came to a halt for semester examinations, Sam Jones led the squad in points-per-game with an 18.6 average . . . On the intra-mural level Commissioner Stephen selected 12 players from the two leagues and they were called the All-Stars. Duke Saunders led this group to a win over Harvey Heartley's team prior to the tussle between NCC-Fayetteville. Heartley is a former NCC cage star. Duke scored 15 points and leads the Gunners in season play.

It is good to know that so many fans read the past issues of this newspaper and my statements concerning the play and tactics of some individuals. Many of these statements had been repeated under the breaths of many, and here is another that I would like for you to rally behind since it concerns you, the fans . . . The booing, cat-calling, and rasping by the fans attending the basketball games of the Eagles and received by the players of the opposing teams and referees shouldn't be done by the audience whose motto was "Home of good sportsmanship and champions," because such actions don't express good sportsmanship.

This motto was formerly on the basketball schedule cards when Coach Johnny McLendon was the basketball mentor and Athletic Director. His successors, Coach Floyd Brown and Dr. I. Gregory Newton, don't want this idea of Coach Mac's to change.

So for the Athletic Department and the good words that might be said about the fans of NCC, let's begin now by cheering our opponents and the referees when they make their appearances on the hardwood and throughout the games . . . To the fans that attend the home games of the Eagles and have missed the smiling face of Joseph Bunting, a cheerleader, it is because he entered the Armed Services a month ago . . . "A winner never quits; a quitter never wins." Later.

NCC Will Host 12th CIAA Tourney Eagles Compile A 13-3 Record As Examinations Halt Cage Play

On January 9, the North Carolina College Eagles lost to the Panthers of Virginia Union University in Richmond, Va., 62-60. From this date onward Coach Brown has used a revised line-up to compile a record of 13 wins and three losses, and the Eagles had a four game winning streak going as they paused for semester examinations.

The Eagles journeyed to Winston-Salem to play the Rams of Winston-Salem Teachers College on January 12 and handed the Rams their initial defeat of the season to the tune of 82-73.

The revised line-up, consisting of Carlton Bell, Sam Jones, Don Burke, Jim Sligh, and Gil Riley, poured the points against the Rams and had a 17 point lead at one point during the second half before Coach Brown began to send in reserves. Bell had 22 points to pace the victors. Jack Defares lead the Rams with 20. Jones also had 20, followed by Sligh with 19.

The second win in these four straights was against Maryland State, defending champion of the CIAA, on January 14, as NCC came from behind to score a 56-50 win. Gil Riley was the hero of the evening as he led the Eagles in scoring, hitting 16 points. The game's high pointer, however, was Carl Green, who hit on ten baskets from the floor for 20 points.

On January 18 the Eagles journeyed to Raleigh and defeated the Bears of Shaw University 71-64 to gain their ninth loop win.

Shaw, trailing by 10 points at halftime, caught the Eagles at 41-41 and the scores was tied seven times before NCC went ahead by 62-60 for keeps. Chip Sligh led in the scoring with 20, followed by Bell with 16, and Jones with 14.

The best game of the season was seen on January 19 as the

Eagles played host to the Broncos of Fayetteville State Teachers College and Sam Jones also gave the fans the thrill of the season by scoring four baskets from the floor and two from the foul line in an overtime period as the Eagles edged the Broncos 85-83.

The Eagles were able to emerge as the victors on the fowl shooting of Gil Riley and Chip Sligh to tie the regulation game at 75-75. Jones was the high scorer for the game with 27 points and 6 assists. Chip Sligh followed Jones with 25.

This brought the Cagers record to 13-3 overall and a 10-2 conference record, and second place in the CIAA standings.

Listed below are the top five scores on the Eagles' squad.

	FG	FT	TP
Jones	104	90	298
Bell	94	26	214
Sligh	77	54	208
Riley	51	50	152
Badger	50	31	131

Plans for the 12th annual CIAA basketball tournament, to be played here on February 28, March 1 and 2, were discussed at the second meeting of the Tournament Planning Committee on January 27. Details of this meeting were not available for this edition of the Campus Echo.

Chairman L. D. Smith, Virginia Union University, presided at the initial 1957 session on January 13, and announced that there would be reduced rates for the Thursday afternoon session on February 28. This year the fee will be sliced to \$1.00 for the two afternoon games. Prices were formerly \$1.25.

While the Tournament Planning Committee was busy making preparations for the Tournament, the A. and T. College Aggies were compiling a string of eight victories without a defeat to lead the 17 college CIAA basketball race at mid-month with a 27.14 rating. Following close behind the Aggies are the Eagles of NCC, Winston-Salem, Fayetteville, Virginia Union, St. Augustine, Virginia State, Bluefield, Delaware, and Morgan. The top eight teams will participate in the tournament.

Maryland State College's Hawks, the defending champions, are third in the second division (12th in loop ratings.)

Intra-Mural Highlights

By BESSIE MONTGOMERY

The intra-mural program for women will begin at the beginning of the Spring Semester under the leadership of Mrs. J. J. Sherman in the Women's Gymnasium. She is requesting that all women who are interested in the intra-mural activities, join some team and become active. First sport on the agenda is basketball which will be carried on for a period of six weeks.

Early last month twelve members of the Women's Athletic Association of NCC attended the Winter Carnival of the WAA at Howard University.

Misses Gwendolyn Bannister, Thelma Norman and Virginia Downing participated on the winning team of the entire carnival. Others making the trip were Misses Barbara Hodges, Clara Harriston, Ellen Walker, Bertha Peterson, Hazel Lucas, Doris Nicholson, Francis Torain, Lilette Johnson, and Thelma Weaver. Mrs. W. Lewis is the advisor for the group.

The Basketball program in the Intra-Mural Leagues for men has reached the halfway point with the Gunners, 7-0, resting in first place in the Maroon League. The PEMS are close behind in second place.

In the Gray League the Winstonians and the Grad Five are tied for first with a 6-1 record.

Dr. Townes and his aide, Robert Stephen, selected a 12 man squad from the 14 participating teams to play Harvey Heartley's cagers of Cooper High School from Clayton, N. C. prior to the NCC-Fayetteville game on Jan. 19. The Gunners placed four on the team, namely, Al Montgomery, Ike Gatling, Chuck Baron, and Duke Saunders, the Leagues high scorer.

Duke Saunders led this aggregation to a 53-38 victory with 15 points for the high scorer and top rebounder for the tussle.

The 14 teams will resume play after examinations vying for the top four spots in each league to gain a tournament berth which will climax the intra-mural basketball program.

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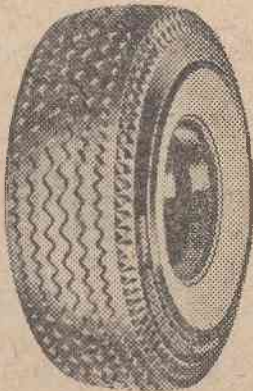
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