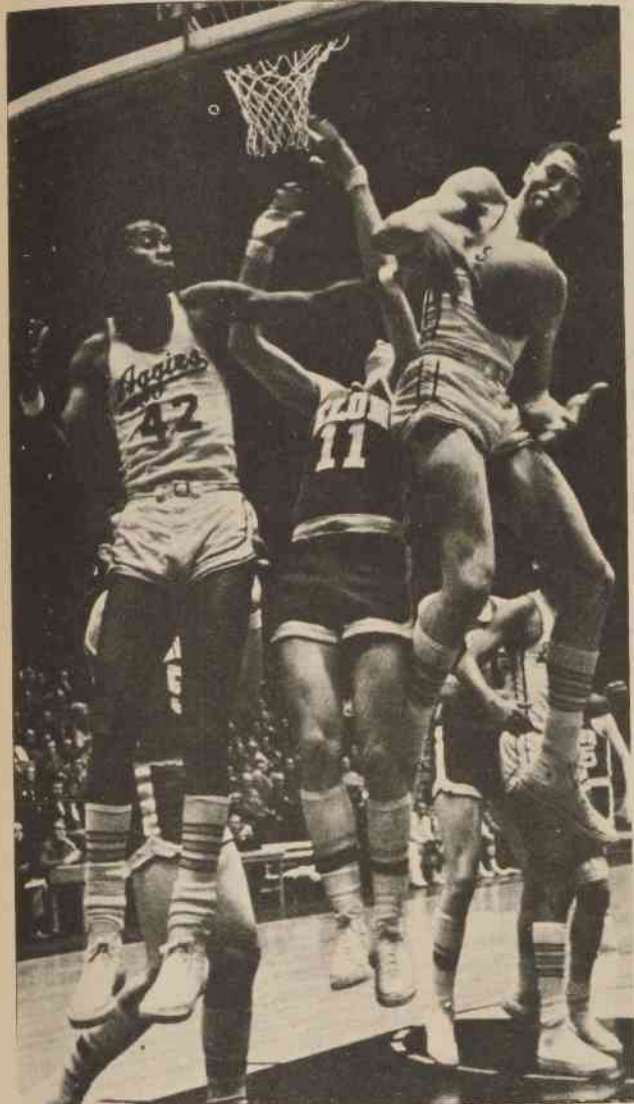


Elon Downs Aggies In NAIA

SOME OF THE ROUGH ACTION AS ELON TOPPED AGGIES IN TOURNEY



Indicative of the rough and rugged play when Elon toppled the A. and T. Aggies 102 to 84 in the first round of the District 26 NAIA Tourney in Winston-Salem are the two pictures above. In the picture at the left Elon's Tommy Cole (Number 11) goes up between two of the Aggie players, but he loses the rebound to A. and T.'s Vernon Walker when he is sandwiched between Austin and Charles Greer (Number 42). In the picture at the right Elon's Richard McGeorge (Number 53) goes up over the top of three Aggie players as he pushes the ball into the basket for a Christian score.

Christian '5' Wins 102-84 In Tourney

The Fighting Christians hit a fabulous fifty-two free throws as they rolled to a 100 to 84 victory over the A. and T. Aggies in the first round of the NAIA District 26 tournament in Winston-Salem Colosseum on Tuesday night, March 4th.

The Christians entered the game with the Aggies as the underdogs, but they quickly swept to the front and took complete command of the situation, and the second-seeded A. and T. quintet was never really in competition after the first few minutes.

The Elon cagers moved ahead for keeps after six minutes and were on top by a 20-point margin at 49-29 when the first half ended. Richard McGeorge, who hit 33 points for his top score of the season, had 18 points in that first-half sweep by the Christians.

The big difference in that first half and for the entire game was at the free-throw stripe, for Elon hit on 25 of 28 charity tosses in the first half and then hit an unbelievable 27 for 27 foul shots in the second half.

The Christians, who had been something less than brilliant in foul shooting throughout the season, caged 51 consecutive shots for what is believed to be an all-time record for American collegiate cage play.

The Elon cagers set three new all-time Elon records with this great exhibition of charity shooting, setting new marks for most free throws, most free throw attempts and best percentage of shots for a single game.

Coach Miller's boys were almost equally as hot from the floor, for they hit on 25 of 43 field goal attempts for a 58.1 per cent average in that department.

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Faculty-Staff Cagers Carry 'Unbeaten' Record Into Contest With 'Happy Guys'

The basketball "classic" of the year is set for Alumni Memorial Gymnasium at 8 o'clock next Tuesday night, March 18th, when the Elon College Faculty and Staff combination of cage stars will battle the Happy Guys of the WBAG radio station in a contest for sweet charity's sake.

When the spectators file out of the huge Alumni Memorial Gymnasium after the battle, it is entirely possible that they will need a sign to remind them that "What It Was Was Basketball," but they will have the satisfaction of knowing that their nickels and dimes have gone for a good cause, for the Battle of the Ages is to be staged for the benefit of the Elon College Home for Children.

All in the interest of sweet charity, the Elon College faculty and staff has begged, pleaded and finally induced Dean Fletcher Moore to come out of hiding to coach the faculty-staff combination of cage "stars" that will appear in widely varied costumes. The Faculty and Staff quint goes into the game undefeated, for the team has not played a game yet.

Coach Moore, while refusing to comment on the basketball abilities of his campus stars, expressed appreciation this week that the WBAG "Happy Guys" had consented to appear on the same court with his brilliant basketball combination.

Those so-called "Happy Guys" may not be quite so happy when they have counted their injuries after the clash with the faculty and staff hatchet squad, which will be under the leadership of Captain Roy "Soupy" Campbell.

The "Happy Guys," with a truly sensational record of three wins and eight losses against some of the worst competition that these United States can produce, will be led by Captain Gailes "Stuckey" Stuckey, who won high honors as a member of the "Stinky Stars" in the Elon intramural league about forty years ago.

Others who will perform with the "Happy Guys" are "Big Ed" Brooks, sports director of Radio Station WBAG, along with Bill Hines, Cary Allred, John Saviano and a host of less proficient and less well known substitutes.

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Panthers Top Elon In Final Cage Tilt

The Fighting Christians, after rising to a peak of brilliance in whipping the A. and T. Aggies, had a distinct reversal of form as they dropped an 83 to 62 battle to the High Point Panthers in the finals of the NAIA district event on Wednesday night, March 5th.

The defeat by the Panthers, which was the third loss to the High Point cagers this season, closed a fine season for the Elon basketweavers, who wound up with 21 wins in 29 starts. This was the best win-loss record in several seasons.

The Maroon and Gold cagers turned a fine game through the first half of the battle with the Panthers, and at one time the Christians held as much as a 5-point lead, but a High Point rally pulled the Panthers ahead by a 31 to 27 margin at the end of the half.

Immediately following the intermission, the

Christians ran head on into another of their "Deep Freeze" cold streaks in shooting, and there was an interval of several minutes during the final half when Elon could not seem to buy a basket.

This battle with the Panthers marked the end of their Elon basketball play for a quartet of fine Christian performers, for seniors Henry Goedeck, Bill Bowes, Pete Johnson and Steve Caddell all were playing their last game before graduation.

THE LINE-UPS
Pos. Elon (62) High Pt(83)
F. Goedeck(16) Littles(15)
F. McGeorge(9) Tat.(13)
C. Bowes (8) Picka (14)
G. Cole (6) Colbert(20)
C. Marshall (5) Witt(11)
Half-time: High Point 31, Elon 27.

Elon subs -- Johnson 6, McGee 10, Hicklin 2, Caddell. High Point subs -- Lowenthal 2, Horney, Webb, Horney.