

BRONCOS HIT ROAD FOR TWO GAMES BEFORE HOLIDAY BREAK - STAND 2-0

With two straight game wins, Otis Hawkins and his band of Bronco cagers hit the road for two important games in December.

"We have played well under the pressure of the two games with Federal City and Livingstone College. Both games were pressure packed and we came out on top which proves that we can come from behind and win," said Hawkins.

The Broncos stand 1-0 in the CIAA and 2-0 overall, having beaten Federal City College, 79-78 and Livingstone in a conference game, 97-90.

The Broncos will play Delaware State Tuesday, Dec. 10 and Norfolk State College, Thursday Dec. 12. The game with Norfolk is a conference game while the contest with Delaware State is a non-conference affair.

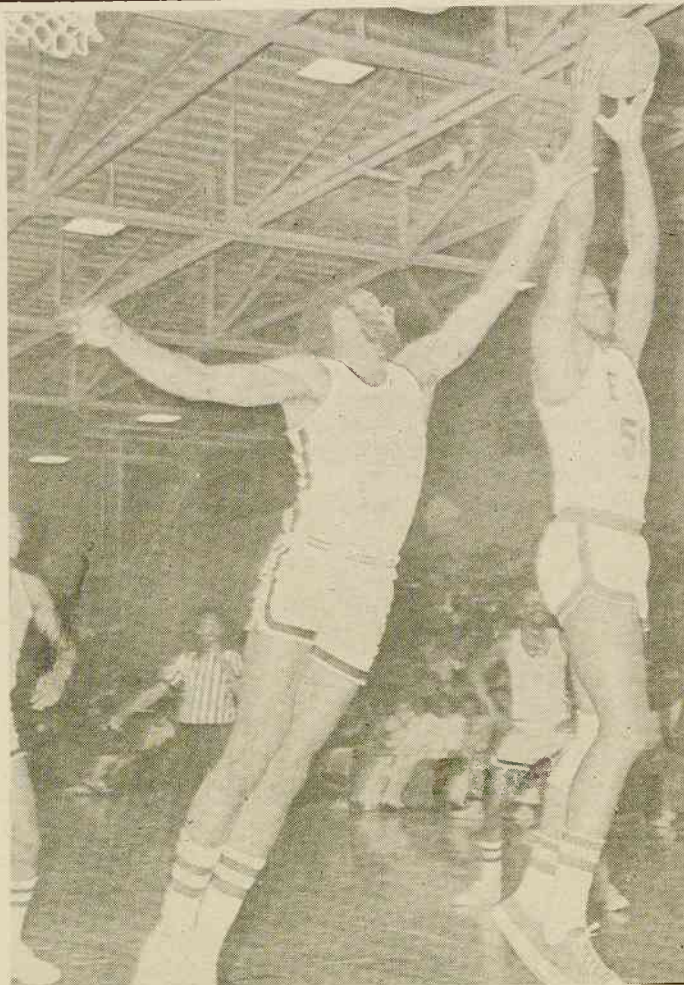
The higher scorer for the Broncos so far this season is 6-9 Walt Holland, a Baltimore, Maryland junior, Holland has dropped in 23 and 19 points in his two appearances on the court.

The Broncos will play Livingstone College again immediately after the holiday break. They will

travel to Salisbury January 7 for a CIAA contest.

FSU will play a total of three home games in January and they are Elizabeth City -- January, 10; Hampton Institute -- January 16; and St. Augustine College -- January 20.

Six games are scheduled for the Broncos on the road in January. They are Livingstone, Jan. 7; Shaw University, Jan. 18; A & T State University, Jan. 22; Virginia Union, Jan. 24; St. Augustine College, Jan. 28, and Johnson C. Smith Jan. 30.



BIG MAC GRABS A REBOUND - Herbert McIver, FSU's muscleman garners a rebound against Livingstone College. FSU won its second game in a row, 97-90. (FSU Photo by John Henderson)

OPENING GAME JITTERS

NOT THIS FRESHMAN

By John B. Henderson

FAYETTEVILLE - Elson Floyd is his name and being cool at the free throw line in basketball is his game.

That just about sums up this Fayetteville State University (N.C.) freshman cager from East Forsyth High School in Winston-Salem, North Carolina did in the

opening game for the Otis Hawkins-coached basketball quintet when they faced Federal City and won a squeaker, 79-78.

With the game knotted at 78- all and just a few seconds showing on the regulation game clock, the 6-6 guard was fouled and calmly went to the charity line for two shots and dropped the first one to send

the Bronco club ahead and the victory.

The crowd of over 3,500 spectators went wild.

"I never doubted for a minute that I couldn't put it in the hoop," said Floyd.

I really felt great when the ball went in. It just felt good to hear the cheering and all."

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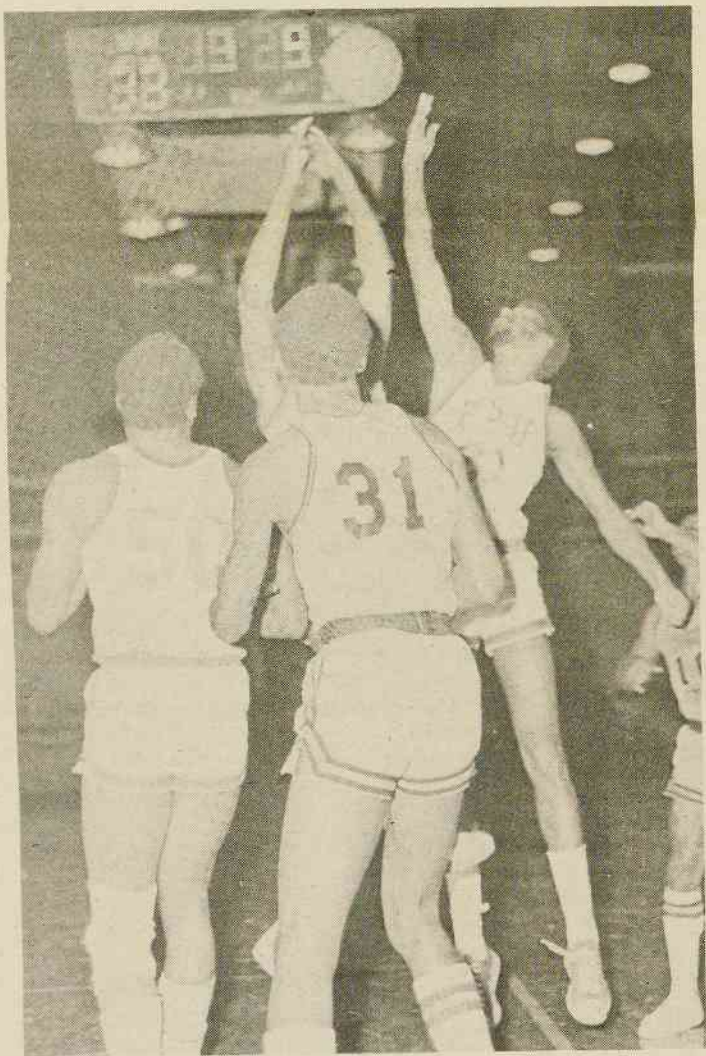
Although he only had 5 points in his collegiate debut, they were crucial points and Coach Hawkins has high praise for the young man.

"I think we'll hear a lot from Elson before he leaves Fayetteville State," said the Bronco mentor.

"He has to get the experience and he's going to be tough. He is good from the outside and the inside. I used sparingly the first game but he'll see more action as time progresses."

Where does Floyd get all the "cool" for a freshman?

"I have to give credit to my high school coach," began Floyd. He told us "never to get rattled if we make mistakes because we would only make more mistakes if we did. I guess that's where I got my cool, he said smilingly.



WALT SCRAPS FOR THE BALL - Walt Holland, FSU's leading scorer, having dumped in 23 and 19 points the first two games, takes a rebound in the opener against Federal City College. FSU won 79-78. (FSU photo by John Henderson)

BRONCO SCORER - Walt Holland, 6-9 forward center for Fayetteville State University (N.C.) had an opening game high of 23 points and also collected 11 rebounds for the Broncos in the season opener against Federal City won by FSU 79-78. He also collected 19 points against Livingstone College as F.S.U. defeated them 97-90. The Broncos are 2-0. (FSU Photo by John B. Henderson)



WALT "BEAN" HOLLAND --NEW FSU SCORING LEADER

By John B. Henderson
FAYETTEVILLE - They call him "Bean" and he is mean when it comes to playing basketball for the Fayetteville State University (N.C.) basketball team.

Coach Otis Hawkins recruited 6-9 forward-center Walt Holland from a community college at Baltimore, Maryland and in the season opener for the Broncos he promptly dumped in a game high 23 points and eleven rebounds.

"I think Walt will be quite a player for us," said Hawkins, "and I feel that he will have a great career at FSU."

How does the Baltimore native feel about the opening game of his new alma mater.

"I really got up for the game. In fact, I was really psyching myself up quite a bit for the opener and it really paid off for me," said Holland.

A transfer student from Baltimore Community College, Holland averaged 15 points and 13 rebounds before entering Fayetteville State.

"Walt is definitely going to add something to our scoring department because we lost quite a bit through graduation. Some thing like 50 points," said the coach.

What he was referring to was the loss of All-CIAA great Alton Cogdell, a 21-point averager last year, and two others, Otis Newkirk and James Tyus. All have departed through graduation.

The Broncos have a long season ahead but Holland can make it a happier one for Bronco fans.

