

A'Hunting They Will Go As Bulldogs Meet Bison Tonight

Yep, the Bulldogs of Burlington are all polished up to go out hunting tonight—Bison hunting. And the hunting grounds should really prove game, 'cause the Black Bison will be waiting and wary for the invaders.

Double-talk? No. We're speaking of a Western Conference Class AA basketball game between the High Point High basketekers and the Burlington High hardwoodmen tonight in the local high's gym. Tip-off time: 8 o'clock.

Conditions are somewhat different from the last time the Bison and Bulldogs clashed. It was Thanksgiving Day at Bowman-Gray Stadium in Winston. Remember? The Western loop football crown was at stake and fate was against the Bison that day.

But basketball's a different story with a similar twist. As of presstime, the two squads have racked up an undefeated record in conference circles, both having defeated Salisbury. But the statistics of these games don't vary enough to give either team a comfortable edge. The Bison whipped Salisbury by a 44-23 count. The Bulldogs downed the Jackets 41-27.

Bill Keziah, Moser, Sutton, Harvey, and a fellow by the name of Carson "Red" Leach have paced the young '49 Burlington season. The combination of Ig Ellington, Wheat Miller, Ken Yarborough, Jack Powell, and Charlie Bryant has upheld the Bison might. Jerry Pascal and Frank Hassell are among the able reserves to see action.

GYM SHORTS

BY ANN SHIPWASH

A class "round-robin" tournament brings girl's basketball right into its own nowadays. Captains have been elected for the different class teams. They are: Freshman, Faye Boles; sophomore, Gwen Redwick; junior, Doris Craven; seniors, Betsy White and Ella Jean Ball.

The results of the January 6 games saw the seniors overwhelm the frosh squad 24-10, with Butch Hayworth leading the way for the seniors with 18 points. The juniors beat the sophs 15-9. Doris Craven tallied 8, followed by Nancy Beck with 7, while Gwen Redwick kept the losers in the game with 7 points.

The class championship game will be decided at a later date by a play-off between the teams having won the most games. Picked teams from the classes comprise the varsity and junior varsity, who work out following the class games on Tuesdays and Fridays.

A game with Reynolds High of Winston is scheduled for January 28 in the Pointers' home court. The "Bison-gals" journey to Winston for a return match in February.

The after-school games are open to spectators and all are cordially invited to watch the high-spirited girls' basketball squads perform.

Choir Returns From Good Will Trip

Fifty-two members of the A Capella choir returned late Tuesday night, January 4, from Morganton, N. C., where they represented High Point Senior High School in a musical program for patients of the state hospital there.

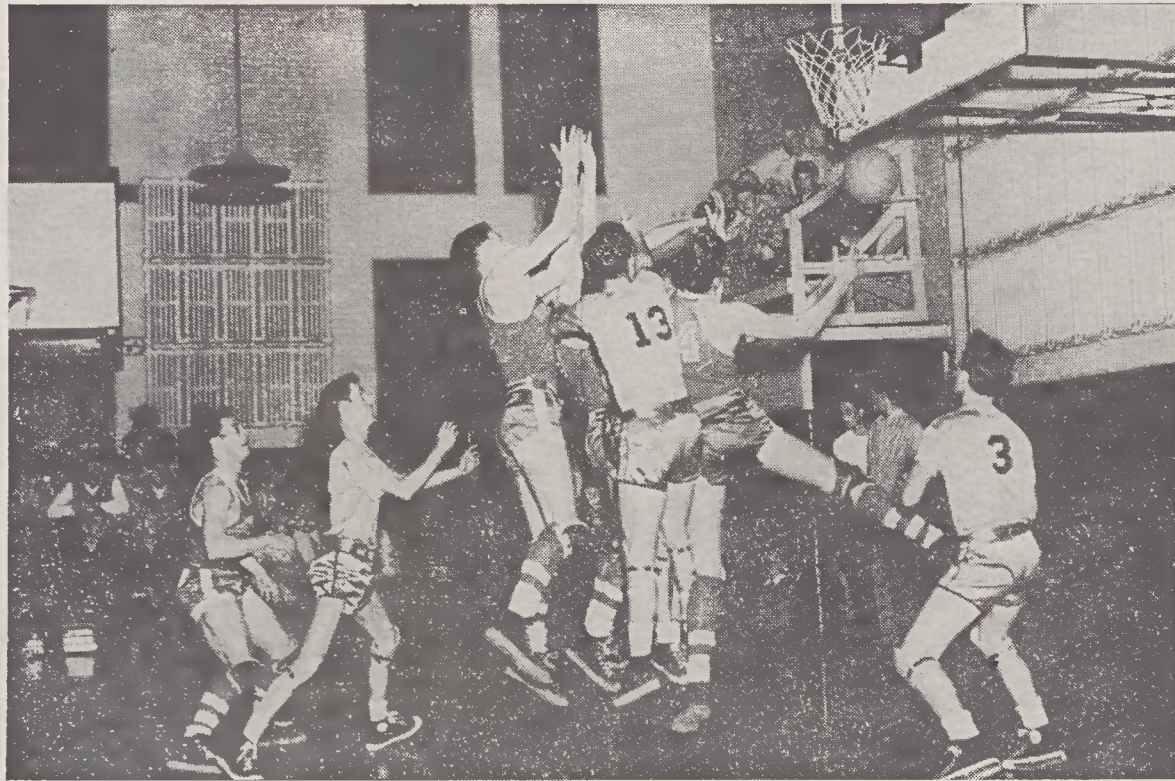
The music was broadcast over the loud speaker system to the patients in the building and also over stations WBT in Charlotte, and WHPE and WHPE-FM in High Point, and the dedication services of a P. A. system received statewide as well as national publicity at that time.

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Athletic Record For High Point High School Proves Most Successful In Bison History



In the Bison's last home game Tuesday the Salisbury Yellow Jackets were getting a bitter taste of defeat when this shot was snapped near the final buzzer. Charlie Bryant and an unidentified Salisbury player, watch the mad scramble for the ball that wasn't there. Bill Ellington (11) and Ken Yarborough (14) are the Bison men in on the jump along with Salisbury's Hilliard (13) and Hartman (3). The score, 44-23. The result: Bison Basketballers win first loop contest.

Blue-Clad Grapplers To Meet Whirlies In Greensboro Tonight

While the Bison basketekers take on Burlington's Bulldogs tonight on the local court, the headgeared matmen of H. P. H. S. meet their keen Greensboro rivals in the Whirlie's High School gym in a match which should offer a swell evening's entertainment for wrestling fans.

In the only previous match this year for the Bison, Coach Rook Sappenfield's men downed Davidson College Freshmen by a decisive 31-5 score. Although it was the locals first encounter, they were well prepared and out with a victory in every match, five of which were scored by falls. One forfeit by the Bison has been made in the 175-lb. class, as there was no grappler at this weight.

By far the most exciting match was in the 165-lb. bout where High Point's well polished rookie, Bobby Grady, decisioned William-

son of Davidson. At the end of

the match the scoring was even and Grady won "on time." The quickest match was produced by 125-lb. James Slaydon who pinned the Wildcats' Ivey in 34 seconds of the first period. In the other matches Bobby Baird (HP), a speedy 121-pounder, won over Matterson (D) by fall. In the 128-pound class Hudson (HP) pinned Jung (D); Bill Foster (HP 145) decisioned Grisson (D); Sechler (HP) pinned Davidson's Boyd. The unlimited saw Bragg (HP, 211) win by a fall over Smooth.

Bison scoring thus far follows:

Wt.	Name	Pts.	Opp.
121	Bobby Baird	5	0
128	James Slaydon	5	0
136	Glenn Hudson	5	0
154	Bill Seckler	5	0
H.W.	Roy Bragg	5	0
165	Bob Grady	3	0
145	Bill Foster	3	0
145	Darrell Winslow	3	0
175	Warren Parham	0	3
145	Max Ward	0	5

Western Conference Coaches Meet; Simeon Made President

Bison Coach A. J. Simeon was elected president of the Western Class AA Conference coaches at the initial meeting held here on January 7.

Coach Simeon, athletic director and head coach, was chosen president of this group, and Coach Bill Ludwig of Boyden High School in Salisbury was elected secretary-treasurer.

The purpose of the organization is to further prep sports and athletic facilities, not only in our section, but throughout the state.

A discussion of the possibilities of a coaching clinic and all-star games in August held a prominent place in the meeting. Coach Simeon expressed his desire that the clinic would materialize. Greensboro was mentioned as an appropriate site for the clinic and the all-star games.

No solution was announced as to the basketball officiating prob-

lem which has arisen over the contract with the Southern Conference Basketball Officials Association. However, it was announced that the Western Class AA Conference would set up its own basketball officials group next season.

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TEAMS RACK UP TWO STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

BY ALLEN CONRAD

The name, Bison of High Point High, caused many an opposing coach's headache and many an opposing player's downfall throughout North Carolina in 1948, as the blue-clad varsity players of H. P. H. S. squads ran head-on into one of the most successful sporting years in the history of H. P. H. S. The Black Bison racked up two state championship titles, were recognized as potential champs in another, and were runners-up for one Western Conference title and one state title. Besides this, in every major contest between the Bison and their arch rivals to the east, the Whirlies, the Bisons emerged victorious. A near-perfect season.

The highest point of the year was that powerhouse of a hardwood quintet who took the state championship at Duke last March, and whose record was a 27-game winning spurge with only one loss by a one point margin.

Another thrill in '48 sports came when the Bison footballers and the Burlington Bulldogs knotted the Western Conference championship title but the Bison suffered defeat in a much disputed playoff.

Equally important was the play-off between Gastonia and the local nine which saw High Point runners-up in one of the most thrilling seasons ever witnessed.

Then spring came, and the experienced, talented Bison linkmen came through to win the state high school golf championship competition.

The Cindermen took second place in the state track meet with "Tears" Beck copping the high and low hurdles in state-wide competition.

Charlie Bryant, Roy Bragg, and Bobby Baird paced the High Point matmen who were recognized state champs although no state tournament was held.

Looking back on the football bowl games, we found Truitt Grant and Harold Auman in the Shrine Bowl classic at Charlotte, and Charlie Jones, Bill Ellington, and Illard Yarborough in the local Optimist Bowl. Ken Yarborough and Truitt Grant were named to the All-State football squad, a signal honor.

But probably the point most outstanding in the minds of H. P. H. S. fans was the fact that our arch rivals, the Whirlies of Greensboro, suffered defeat under the paws of the Bison in every major sporting event in which they clashed in '48. The sportsmanship displayed on all occasions during these games was of the highest order and the fans and student body who so loyally backed the team deserve special commendation.

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