



Sportsman's Holiday

By EARLE HOLLIDAY

YOU, THE STUDENTS, finally showed that you were interested in the Greensboro basketball squad last week by your support when it took on the High Point basketeers. Although the hot rivalry between the two schools undoubtedly played a large part in the unusual attendance at the conflict, another game tonight with Asheville promises to be as thrilling as the last one and should be worthy of another packed house of local fans.

During the next two weeks you'll have a chance to help Coach Bob Jamieson achieve one of his highest ambitions for our athletic department, a championship basketball club. Since Jamieson came to Senior high, his quintets have often come close to reaching the top, but they have always lost out. Now, with a successful first half in the Western conference behind them, only victories in each of the next four home games are needed to clinch the Western crown.

As Jack Jarvis commented after the Bison scrap, the locals can surely play better ball before a big home crowd, and you can do your part in helping the Whirlwinds gain their goal by turning out for the contests with Salisbury, Winston-Salem, Charlotte, and Burlington.

INCIDENTALLY, the Whirlies had to step aside last Friday night to oblige Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt's "My Day." The locals were scheduled to meet the Carolina freshman team as the preliminary to the U. N. C. - V. M. I. tilt. However, Mrs. Roosevelt was also scheduled to speak at Chapel Hill the same night; hence the varsity game was moved to an earlier hour and the scheduled preliminary was postponed until the following Wednesday night.

ONE of Coach Jim Day's state champion wrestlers has finally lost a fight. After gaining two decisive victories against Salisbury and Lexington grapplers, Champ Arthur Bruton was defeated in Lexington in a return match. However, the loss came as a forfeit, as Bruton weighed in for the match just two pounds overweight, thus losing to the Lexington fighter.

WHEN THE TWELFTH annual interscholastic tournament opens in Chapel Hill February 9, Day's grapplers will probably be cast in the favorite role, with three of last year's champions returning to the tournament and capable support from boys like Bill McCormick, Dave Sewell, Jim Anthony, Garland Wolfe, Bob Farris and others.

Superintendent Ben L. Smith appointed Miss Sara Mims, head of the Greensboro high school English department, chairman of the Sidney Lanier celebration in the city.

Team C In Top Spot At Half-Way Mark In Girls' Tourney

At the half way mark in the Whirlwinds' intra-mural schedule, Team C, captained by Marjorie Burns, has captured the top-notch position with Captain Mary Frances Johnson's team A a close second. Miss Doris Hutchinson, girls' physical education instructor, revealed last Friday.

Team 'A' Tastes Victory, Then Dust
In the first of the intra-mural games, held January 2, Team A, piloted by Mary Frances Johnson, swamped Team B, 31-11. In this rough and tumble encounter, the high scorers included Mary Frances Johnson and Eloise Bostick of team A and Rachel Hilliard of team B.

On Tuesday, January 27, team C defeated A, 15-14, in a close competition. Although C led at the half 10-3, team A, aided by the quick shooting of Eloise Bostick in the third quarter, drew ahead. In the last moments of the game, the foul shots completed by Captain Marjorie Burns of Team C accounted for the brief margin of victory.

Team C Wins Deciding Game
In the deciding encounter last Friday afternoon, team C outshot B, 28-24, in the final score, but the sextets were tied 12-12 at the half. Although the skillful guarding of Catherine Fore and Mildred Hock of the victorious team prevented many goals, team B's Captain, Sara Gwyn, and Rachel Hilliard were narrowing the gap between the third quarter score as the game ended.

Team D, captained by Neil Riddle, has not yet entered the intra-mural competition.

Locals Conquer High Point In Important Engagement

Greensboro's pace-setting Whirlwind racked up its fourth straight conference victory January 27, in the local gym with a 34 to 20 win over its most powerful rival, the High Point Bison.

The margin of victory came to the locals when they tallied 18 points in the second half as compared to the visitor's four points. High Point didn't obtain a single field goal during the last canto, gaining all their points via the free-shot method.

First Half Close
During the early part of the game the teams were very evenly matched as they battled practically goal for goal. Neither was able to build up a lead with the score at the end of the quarter and the half being tied.

However, in the next period, behind the miraculous shooting of Al (Ears) Koepfle, who led the scoring for the night with 13 points, the locals forged into the lead and were never headed. Greensboro shifted to a man-to-man defense for the night, and it held the Bison in check.

Local debaters are completing preparations for a debate tournament in Reidsville to be held late in February.

New Radio Class Meets For First Time at Senior

Meeting for the first time in the history of Senior high school, the newly-organized radio class, which was formed to cooperate with the national defense program, has spent the past two weeks studying one of the fundamentals of radio, the international Morse code, Stanley Johnson, instructor of the class, stated today.

Thus far the students have learned only the code but have practiced receiving messages at the rate of about five words a minute. However, when the textbook, *Under-Standing Radio*, is received, study in radio construction and operation will begin, Johnson concluded.

Greensboro Wins Over Lexington Grapplers

Coach Jim Day's wrestling team downed an inexperienced Lexington team twice during the past two weeks. In the first meet the Whirlwinds were victorious, 29 to 3, and in the last meeting the much improved boys of Coach Gaskill, former star at Appalachian, gave the Gate City boys a battle, only to lose later, 15 to 24.

Greensboro lost only one match to the Lexington squad during the first meet, but Coach Gaskill sent a team of hard fighting boys against the Winds in their second meeting.

Bruton Wins
Arthur Bruton, state champion of '41 in the 108-pound class, won his first match, but in the second meet was forced to forfeit because he was over the weight limit.

Dave Phoenix, only man to lose in the first meet, came back to trim Coach Gaskill's 135 pounder by the decision route. The feature fight took place between Lexington's Gappy Curtis and Greensboro's Garland Wolfe. Wolfe won a close decision over Curtis in the 175-pound class before an excited crowd.

A large number of teachers are taking courses at Woman's college, studying under the direction of eminent university of North Carolina professors.

Al Koepfle Adds Much To Jamieson's Quintet

Conference Foes Fall Before Whirlwinds

Showing dangerous defensive power and a deadly offensive attack, the Greensboro Purple Whirlwinds appeared, at the first of the week, to be on the inside track towards their first Western Conference basketball championship, for Coach Bob Jamieson, who, incidentally, began his tutorage here in 1933.

The Whirlies, who have really become "whizzes," have blown through four conference foes without suffering defeat, and besides becoming favorites to cop the crown, have become "the team to beat" in the conference.

Open at Burlington

Opening at Burlington, a new conference rival, Greensboro concentrated on defensive ability to stop the Bulldogs, who had previously shown surprising powers, 17-9.

The Whirlies traveled to Charlotte next, and whipped the school's highly-fouted rival, Central high, 35-16. Captain Tom Aydelette and Harold (Skinny) Brown led the offensive display in this inspiring victory with 14 and 6 points, respectively.

Returning home, Greensboro met Salisbury next and again triumphed, 35-19. Being held to a three-point lead, 11-8, at the end of the first half, the Whirlwinds opened up, scoring 18 points in the third quarter and coasting to victory. Koepfle's 13 points and Leroy Paschal's 12 points led the scoring.

Editors' Note.—This is the first in a series of articles to appear in this paper this year concerning outstanding school athletes.)

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Although Coach Bob Jamieson's basketball team has shown this year that every member of the squad is working together for the good of the team, a trait found in only a few high schools in the country, one of the superlatives of this quintet is Alfonso (Ears) Koepfle.

Throughout the season, which has been the most successful for Greensboro in the last few years, Koepfle has played basketball with the skill of an expert. Many of the scoring honors, especially in the conference battles, have gone to him as a result of his magnificent skill in handling a ball.

Led Central's Team

Koepfle received his start in the game at Central Junior high, starting off as an excellent player. For two years when that group walked away with the city championship undefeated, he was the spark plug and usually the high scorer on the team. He also received his moniker, "Ears," for some unknown reason, while burning up the junior high courts.

In his first year at Senior high last year, he fitted right in with Jamieson's plans. During the season he started several games and played well over the required quarters of action to receive his "G."

Taylor Praises His Playing

Before the Christmas holidays, Chuck Taylor, well-known basketballer, appeared in the local gym and worked out with the Whirlwinds. After the session was through, he commented to Jamieson on Koepfle's natural court skill and predicted a bright future for him in cage circles.

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