

Bisons Shock Morgan State Bears 68 to 55

The Howard University Basketball Bisons stunned a partisan throng of 3,700 shrieking Morgan State College fans at the Edward P. Hurt gymnasium on Saturday night, by rallying from a 32-28 halftime deficit to win by a score of 68 to 55.

While capturing their tenth straight basketball victory, the Bisons systematically curbed the Bears with a ferocious defensive that evened the score 43-43 during the first ten minutes of second half play.

From that 15-11 pace that wiped out the 4-point advantage of the Bears, the Washington Five applied a 25-8 crusher in the next nine minutes and quieted the partisan crowd by way of a 58 to 51 posting.

Two Morgan goals accounted for the final 68 - 55 score, in an effort to narrow the issue in the final 48 seconds. Indeed, the Bears appeared to be too much for the Bisons on a sensational come-from-behind rally of their own, during the final nine minutes of the first half.

The disciplined Bisons had built up a 21 - 10 lead and seemed to be in charge, with 9:24 remaining in the first half, when Marvin Webster, a 6 foot 11 inch Morgan sophomore center, began blocking Howard goalling attempts.

A sudden, 12 - 0 Morgan spurt left the Bisons trailing by one point, 22-21, as guards Ronald Moss and Chet Davis unleashed an avalanche of magical shots from the perimeter. When Bison players were attempting to make free throws. Instead, the roar increased.

Both teams scored 23 goals but Howard's non-fouling finesse, a pressure defense, plus a harvest of 22 free throws in 27 attempts, decided the issue. Both teams were 1-0 in Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference play. Besides leading the MEAC



ECAC SCHEDULE - Fred Hobby (L) coach of Grambling University, poses with his former player, Willis Reed, and now the star center for the New York Knicks, during ECAC Holiday Basketball Festival luncheon in New York. Hobby and Reed, who played for Hobby at Grambling from 1960 to 1964, are holding a cake advertising the ECAC schedule.

Howard is 10-1 on the season. The Howard-Morgan game will be seen nationally on the Grambling TV network on Sunday night, January 14.

Ethiopian Star Signs Contract with MGM

Ethiopian actor Debebe Eshetu has been signed by producer Roger Lewis for a key role in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "Shaft in Africa," now filming in Ethiopia with Richard Roundtree and Vonetta McGee starred.

A member of the National Theatre in Addis Ababa, Eshetu has appeared in a number of motion pictures, including "Sailor From Gibraltar," "Season in Hell" and "Pearl Mine." John Guillermin is directing "Shaft in Africa" from a screenplay by Stirling Silliphant.

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