

# Hurricanes Win Conference Tourney

After missing his first try, Louisburg's Larry Paschall hit twenty straight foul shots—18 in the second half—to lead the Hurricanes to an 87-77 win over Ferrum and the Cavalier-Tarheel Conference Tournament championship last Thursday night. Paschall, benched with foul trouble, still managed to

## [SPORTS] In Our Opinion

By CLINT FULLER

Louisburg's Larry Paschall, at 5'9 is the smallest basketball player on the Hurricane squad. He was the smallest player on the State 1-A Champion Youngsville squad last year. Paschall, often called Mighty-Mite, has tackled the field of giants and conquered it. He personifies what desire and determination can do. In a game of big men, he has excelled as a little man in physique because he is a big man in spirit.

His 34 points carried the Hurricanes to the Cavalier-Tarheel Tournament and a berth in the Region Ten playoffs this week in Lenoir. The Canes may not come out on top—although all of us hope they do. But if they falter, it is not likely to be due to the lack of desire. Paschall has instilled this trait in this year's squad. It could take them all the way.

During the recent county high school tournament, there was one couple who perhaps, endured more than many others. Parents have a way of building pressure inside themselves when their offspring is out on the floor, the field or the stage. Mr. and Mrs. Epp Catlett of Youngsville must have suffered a triple dose of excitement and concern. They had three youngsters on the Youngsville teams. One Youngsville observer said this is especially true "since all three children seem to have a tumbling tendency which keeps them on the floor more than the average player."

There was the usual large crowd of Franklin County fans at Rocky Mount last week to see the Franklinton Rams. Every section of the county was represented. The hoped for rally by the Rams fell short by two points. With the elimination of Franklinton and Wakelon from the Franklin League, only Youngsville remains to carry the League banner. Most of the same fans will be back Thursday night to help pull the Phantoms through. Against Warrenton, most believe the Phantoms will win.

Jerry Carter was guarding the entrance, catching tickets and stamping hands. He played baseball back in the fifties for Louisburg College and Red Stuvant's White Level Reds. He is baseball coach at Rocky Mount Senior High School these days.

Gold Sand's James Marshall was trying to sell Youngsville Coach Larry Lindsey a used activity bus. Lindsey was pointing out the deficiencies of the vehicle, Marshall was all praise of its fine condition. Lindsey said Marshall is the tightest man he's ever seen and he told the Gold Sand principal, "If I saw you along the road with a flat tire, I wouldn't even stop to help you." Marshall's comeback was: "There wouldn't be any need. I'd already have somebody on the way." The two seemed to enjoy their conversation more than the basketball game. So did we.

## Bird Dog Field Trials Set

Members of the Franklin County Wildlife Club will sponsor their second bird dog field trial to be held on the M. H. Hunt farm March 8th, and 9th, according to John R. Davis, club president. The Hunt farm is located about 6 miles south of Louisburg on Highway 401 and was the location of the club's first bird dog field trial held last November. Davis says last fall's event was a success with 35 dogs competing for trophies.

9th. Last fall, there were 3 classes in which dogs could compete: Puppy, Derby, and Open All Age. Davis states that another class has been added which will be called Birdhunters class. This will attract primarily the class known to birdhunters as meat dogs. The Puppy class will be for dogs up to 12 months of age, and the Derby class will be for dogs up to 2 years of age. The Open All Age class will be for any age dog. Persons interested in entering their dogs should attend the event on March 8th and 9th.



John R. Davis, Club President (right), and John R. Shillinglaw, Treasurer, are shown examining trophies that will be awarded at the Bird Dog Field Trials on March 8 and 9.

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score 34 points to lead all scorers in the game played at Elizabeth City.

The Canes will play Friday night in Lenoir in the Region Ten playoffs. The winner will go on to Hutchinson, Kansas to compete for the national championship.



PASCHALL - - - MOST VALUABLE PLAYER ALL TOURNAMENT

## Hunters To Hold Meeting

According to an announcement by Joe Denton of Wood, there will be an important meeting of all interested hunters in Franklin County at the Centerville Fire and Rescue building on March 7th at 7:30 P.M.

The difference in the game says one observer was at the foul line. The Canes hit 33 of 37 tries for 89 percent accuracy. Louisburg held a 13-point lead twice in the second half. At the 11:45 mark, John Lewis hit a field goal to move the score to 56-43 and again at the 2:36 point, Bob Walker hit two foul shots to put the Canes ahead, 81-68. The last 26 points by Louisburg came at the free throw line.

The Hurricanes hit 27 of 58 from the floor for 47 percent and Ferrum hit 28 of 68 for 41 percent. Ferrum hit 21 of 28 from the line for 75 percent accuracy. Thirty of Louisburg's 33 foul shots came in the second half.

A large crowd of Louisburg fans were on hand. According to reports about "two-thirds of one side" was filled with local faithful.

Louisburg (87) Ferrum (77)  
Davis 14 ..... Shaney 4  
Lewis 13 ..... Hobbs 13  
Driver 13 ..... Oglesby 27  
Walker 9 ..... Kilby 12  
Paschall 34 ..... Obermiller 11  
Subs: Louisburg College —  
Bowden 4, Ferrum — Orsini 4,  
Puckett 6.  
Score at half: Louisburg 37,  
Ferrum 30.

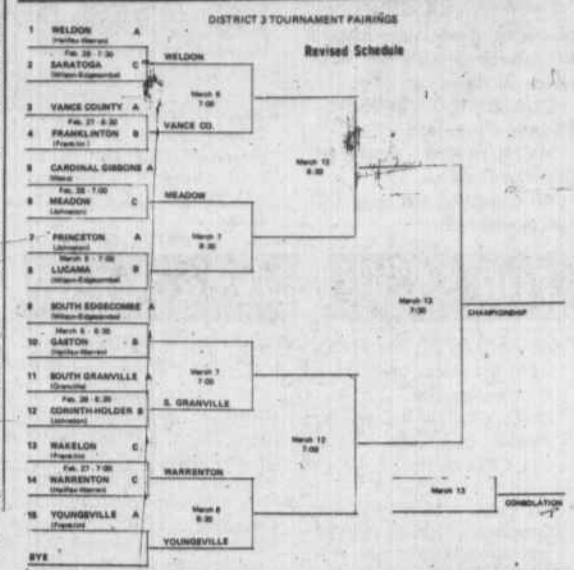


## Comeback Falls Short

Franklinton's Spencer Eakes shoots from the foul circle in last Thursday's game against Vance County. Other players are Jesse Fogg (12) Franklinton, Vance's Bill Ellington (22), Wayne Ellington (25), Kade Spencer (11) and Jackie Burnette (35). Franklinton's Foster Brodie (15) is in the background. The Cougars withheld a Ram comeback to win 63-61.

# Franklinton, Wakelon Eliminated

## District III Playoffs



The Vance County Cougars tore apart the old adage of what happens twice will happen a third time as they upset the favored Franklinton Rams last Thursday night in the District III playoffs, 63-61. The Rams were eliminated from the tournament by the loss and Franklinton's "C" Team, Wakelon was a victim of a second upset as the Yellow Jackets of Warrenton took a 46-37 win. Only Youngsville, Franklinton's "A" Team remains to carry the League banner.

The Rams led for the first three minutes with the game tied at 5-all at the five minute mark. The Cougars pulled to a 12-5 lead at 2:27 at the end of the first quarter held an 18-10 advantage.

The Cougars built as much as a 14-point lead in the second period but the Rams cut it to 32-24 with 1:38 left. However, Vance pulled to a 38-24 lead at halftime.

At the start of the fourth quarter, Vance lead 55-44 but two quick baskets by Franklinton's Foster Brodie brought the score to 55-48. A free throw made it 55-49 at the 6:42 point and Brodie hit again. The lanky scoring ace, hit for 10 points in the closing frame as the Rams fought back to a 61-59 deficit with 1:11 left. At this point, Kade Spencer hit one end of a one

and one foul opportunity and at the :43 second mark, Bill Ellington hit a free throw to put the Cougars ahead 63-59. Franklinton's Charlie Manson hit a field goal with 12 seconds left to bring the Rams within two points of tying Vance.

With six seconds remaining, the nervous Cougars lost the ball out of bounds and the Rams had a chance to stay alive. Coach Jimmy O'Neal called time out to set up the play. Playing the percentages, Brodie, Franklinton's highest scorer, was tagged to take the shot. He did and missed as time ran out. The Cougars had the upset, 63-61.

Brodie was high scorer for Franklinton with 20 points followed by Haywood Lawrence with 16. Bill Ellington put on a stellar performance for Vance scoring 31 points. Wayne Ellington and Jackie Burnette each hit 10 points for the Cougars.

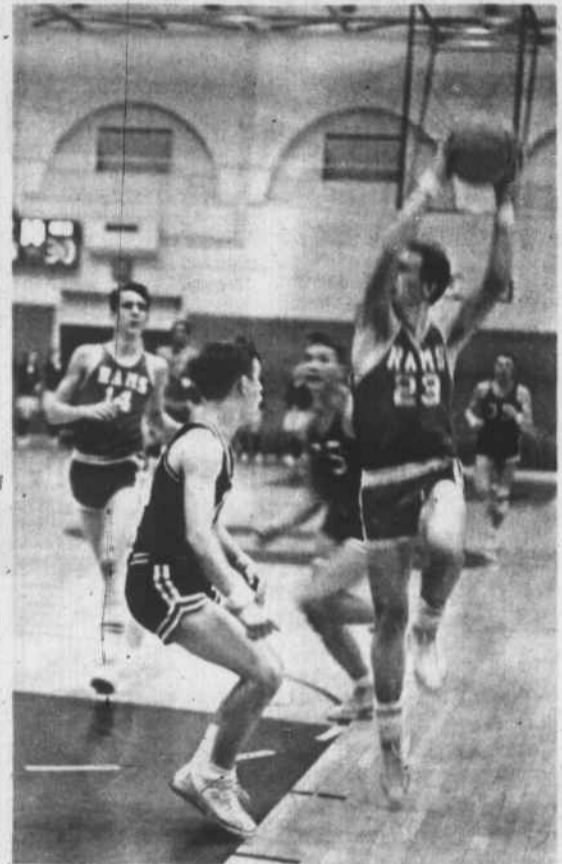
The Rams, down by as much as 19 points in the third period, hit 26 field goals while Vance hit on 23. Franklinton had nine of 16 free throws but the Cougars hit 17 of 27. Two of the three losses by the Vance team this year came at the hands of the Rams.

Vance County will play Weldon, winner of the Weldon-Saratoga opening game on Wednesday night.

Teams	fg	ft	f	tp
Watkins	0	0-0	0	0
B. Ellington	11	9-12	1	31
Newman	4	0-0	3	8
Burnette	2	6-7	3	10
W. Ellington	5	0-2	3	10
Spencer	1	2-6	4	4
Totals	23	17-27	14	63
Teams	fg	ft	f	tp
Brodie	10	0-0	3	20
Lawrence	7	2-4	4	16
Manson	3	0-2	2	6
Sneed	0	0-0	0	0
Collins	0	1-1	0	1
Eakes	2	4-7	4	8
Beckham	2	1-1	1	5
Fogg	2	1-1	5	5
Totals	26	9-16	19	61

## Influence

Judge - I'm tired of seeing you here so often.  
Hobo - All right, I'll use me influence to have you transferred somewhere else.

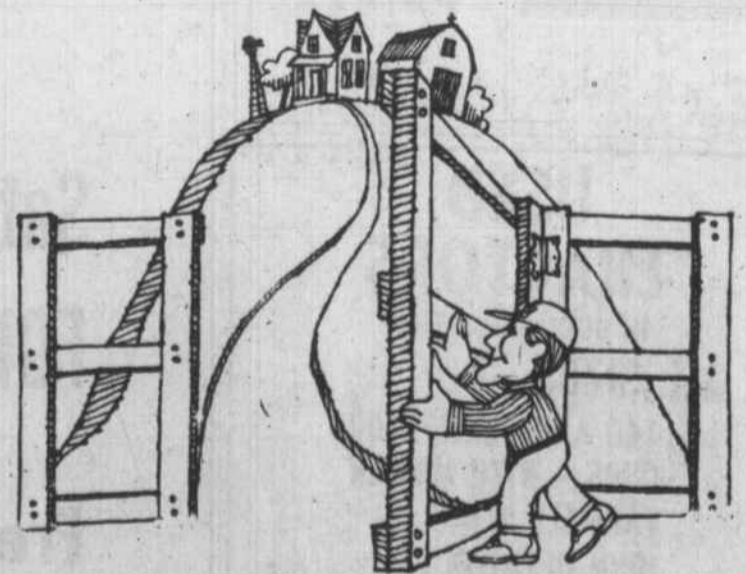


## Ram-Cougar Action

Franklinton's Mac Beckham (23) drives for a shot in the District III playoffs as Vance County's Kade Spencer (11) and Wayne Ellington (25) move in. Spencer Eakes (14) of Franklinton and Jackie Burnette of Vance (35) can be seen in the background. The Rams lost, 63-61 and were eliminated. Photo by Clint Fuller.

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