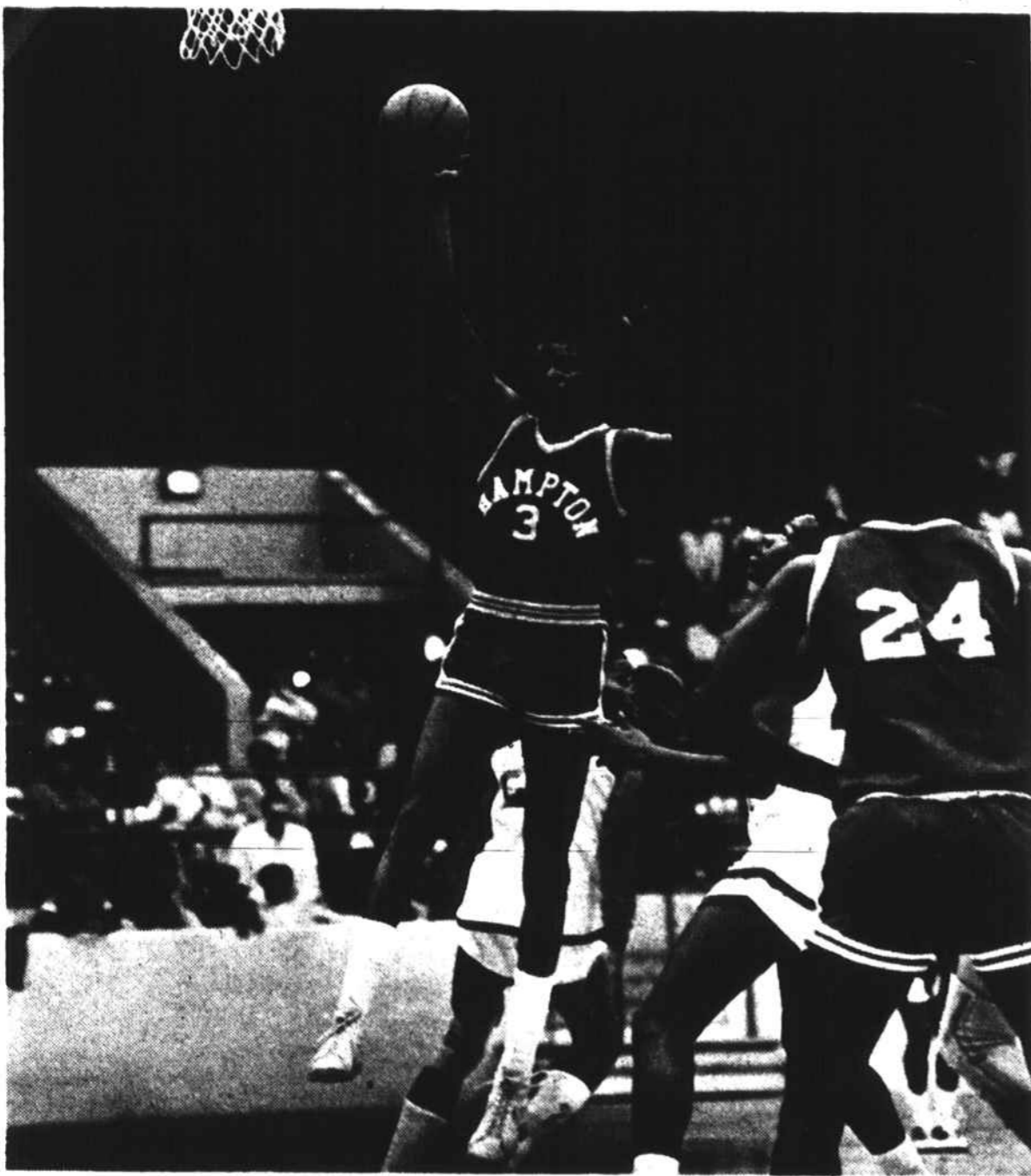


Right Stuff *CONTINUED*



No Repeat

Even with 6-11 Cedric Miller in the fold, defending champ Hampton failed to repeat (photo by Joe Daniels).

relax and Gatling is the kind of player who will take advantage of that."

For St. Augustine's Coach Harvey Heartley, whose team reached the finals by stopping pre-season favorite Virginia Union 75-72 in the semifinals -- despite a 25-point, 25-rebound performance by Union's version of Mr. T., Charles Oakley -- the title loss was another in a string of close calls. Heartley has never won a CIAA tourney.

"I don't think about the jinx," Heartley said. "We have met good teams every time we have lost in the

finals or the semifinals. At least we had an opportunity to get to the title game."

"I went over to shake his (Christian's) hand after the game and he headed toward his locker-room. I wasn't going to chase him all over the damn place to shake his hand."

--WSSU's "Bighouse" Gaines

Heartley credited the Spartan defense with taking his team out of its offensive pattern. "Both teams played tough defense," he said. "We just weren't patient enough. We let their defense take us out of our offense."

Heartley did, however, share an afterthought when he saw the stat sheet, which showed his team hitting 28 of 55 field goal attempts for nearly 51 percent while the Spartans managed only a 36 percent showing on 22-of-60 shooting.

"I won't say anything about the of-

cluding eight for eight from the line, and added five rebounds and four steals. Gatling, who played only 23 minutes but scored 16 points and was six of six from the line, was named to the all-tournament second team as was guard Barry Mullen, who scored 12 points in the title game and added five rebounds.

Rounding out the first team, along with Pope and Tally, were the Falcons' Randy Franks, Anthony Rogers and Ken Bannister.

Making the second team with Mullen and Gatling were Roscoe of St. Augustine's, Charles Oakley of Virginia Union and Troy Russell of WSSU.

Return Home: Bailey Leaves Va. Union

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After 13 years as head football coach at Virginia Union University, Willard Bailey bids the school a goodbye early this year to return to his alma mater, Norfolk State.

During his tenure at Union, Bailey became the winningest coach percentage-wise in NCAA Division II competition, and he made the school a national power in the sport. The school's athletic program is now a foundation to

graduate, Bailey earned his master's degree from New York University. His first coaching experience came in basketball at Essex County High School in Tappahannock, Va. During his tenure there, his teams went two seasons without losing a contest in district play.

Bailey joined the Virginia Union staff under the late Tom Harris in 1964 as offensive and defensive line coach. He became the Panthers' head coach in 1971.

Bailey has sent 24 players to the NFL and coached 100 others. He was also

Union's athletic director and may sound like a perfect candidate for the job. Money?

According to Bailey, no. Money, he says, was not the major consideration when he packed his bags and headed to Norfolk with his defensive coordinator, Tom Morris, and his offensive coordinator, John Wright.

"There were three main reasons

why I took the coaching job at Norfolk State. Bailey noted recently while enjoying the CIAA basketball tournament. "First of all, Norfolk State is my alma mater. Secondly, Norfolk is my home and, third, the competition at Norfolk has come closer than any other to identifying what I want to accomplish."

What else could Bailey accomplish?

Bailey wants to have a program that is a national power and to help toward the development of all athletes through a foundation to

achieve, to Bailey it is one of his coaching goals that remains unachieved. "I'm not saying that other institutions are not doing this, but I just like the way Norfolk seems to want to go about achieving and maintaining quality programs," he said.

A four-year letterman while a student at Norfolk State and an honor

director at Norfolk State as well as head football coach. His salary has been reported to be in the \$50,000 range, a figure he will neither confirm nor deny, simply saying, "It's a raise over what I was making at Union."

"Leaving Union was not an easy decision," Bailey said. "I had been offered jobs at a number of schools many times but the chance to go to

Norfolk was one I couldn't pass up."

But Bailey said he appreciates the chance Union gave him to grow as a coach and administrator.

"I came to Union as a neophyte some 20 years ago and a grew there because the school afforded me the opportunity to grow," he said.

As for leaving Union, Bailey said he has a number of misgivings, among them having to play the Panthers one season. "It will take one hell of a football team to beat them this year," he said.

"I will approach the job the same way I did the Union job," he said. "That is, I won't promise anything except blood, sweat and tears."

"I'm interested in ways of helping the athletes a little more. Take sports information, for example. At Union that is one of the areas I had to spend time on but at Norfolk we have a full-time person to take care of that."