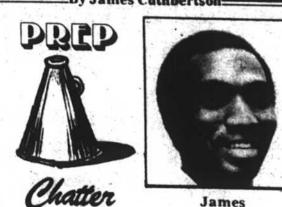
Page 8A - THE CHARLOTTE POST - Thursday, February 16, 1984 By James Cuthbertson



Congratulations to West Mecklenburg's Savoy Starr and the "stud cradle" pin that gave him the 145 pound sectional championship over South Mecklenburg's Matt Ward.

Starr, seeded second, upset Ward to bring a smile to the face of West Mecklenburg coach Bill Puckett.

The Indians, finishing third in the tournament, were the highest Charlotte finisher.

Starr's win gives him a trip to the regional championship next Saturday at A. L. Brown High in Kannapolis.

Ward was unbeaten going into the match, at 16-0-1. Starr was 16-2.

Other winners from the Southwestern 4A Conference were Ron Elliott of Myers Park in the 119 weight class, Rodney McClure of Garinger at 132, Wendell Coleman of Independence in the 155 weight class, and Tony Mercer of North Mecklenburg in the heavyweight class.

Runners-up included Danny Brigman of Independence in the 112 class, Willie Mayes, Garinger, in the 167 class, Fred Alexander of West Mecklenburg in the 185 class, Melvin Jones of West Charlotte in the 195 class.

Consolation winners were Darryl Seegers of Olympic in the 98 pound class, Paul Ensminger of North in the 132 class, Rodney Clark of Harding in the 112 class, James Davis of West Charlotte in the 167 class and Joe Robinson of East Mecklenburg in the 185 class.

Garinger's James Elmore scored 29 points in a game with West Mecklenburg which the Wildcats won 97-84; Haywood Workman of Myers Park hit 28 as the Mustangs beat Olympic 75-63. THE RANKINGS

on towards the first place finish in the conference, but they are not without challengers.

2. West Charlotte- The Lions are hoping for the first seed also and a big game at Myers Park tomorrow will probably decide the winner.

3. North Mecklenburg - The Vikings are moving to the top behind consistent play and great shooting.

4. Independence - The Patriots are not out of the race yet and could be a big determinant in who wins the title. Olympic

Price Has Heart Most Tall People Know Nothing About

By Lori Grier Post Staff Writer

Randy Price, 27, stands four feet, eight inches and weighs only 86 pounds.

He was born with pneumonia, and doctors gave him antibiotics to keep him alive. He has no physical ailments. Although he's short in height and small in size, Price has a heart that most of us tall people know nothing about. In a world of tall, thin

and beautiful, Price gets along just fine and says he isn't reluctant to doing anything because of his height. "I'll try anything!" he exclaimed.

Price, originally from West Virginia, says that he is the shortest member of his family which consists of his mother, Mrs. Hattie Allen; brothers, Benjamin, Jr. and Henry; and sister, Mrs. Norma Brandon. He knew he would be short at the age of 17. "This

girl I dated, who was also 17 and short, told me that her parents told her that she wouldn't get any tall-er. I helt this applied to me too behause of my height at the time. I felt sad for her, but it didn't bother me. I always think of other peo-

ple's feelings first," he explained. There are times when he

feels insecure about being short. "Yesterday, (February 7), I ran into a guy, whose name I still don't know, and all he did was call be 'shorty this' or 'shorty that.' When I used to go out to clubs, every-one (including his tall, male friend) would dance except me. The young ladies that I usually asked to dance, looked at me, chuckled, then said no." He know what to refer to Randy as, just ask him. "I hate the word dwarf," he continued, "because they are three feet or less. A midget is simply three feet. I'm just short-stuck in the has received job discrimin-ation as well. "Before I moved here I applied for a job at Appalachian Power middle of four and five feet. This is the only thing which disqualified me from Company. Out of the four I know applied, I was the enlisting in the Marines. only one who didn't get The recruiter showed me on paper that the require-ment was five feet. He told called back for an interview. I also applied for a job at Pizza Hut when I me that I only missed by three inches." first came to Charlotte. One of the assistants took Price wears size 12 me to the oven and asked pants, 16 shirts, and 41/2 me if I really thought I could reach the top level of shoes when the weather is the oven (approximately six feet). I told him no and warm-2 when the weather is cold. He purchases his clothes from the boy's de-

thanked him, and he thanked me for coming in and trying." Price believes that the

song "Short People Ain't Got No Reason To Live" applies to him sometim

"I'm by myself, without a my height then. Most fe-girlfriend and not dating males I meet on a daily males I meet on a daily basis now are kind of afraid of me because of my height," admitted Price.

> by his friends and family. "When I go home to West Virginia, I get more of the work burden because my brothers are lazy," he laughed. There are others who can only think of cruel things to say to him like shorty, midget or shrimp. "I don't mind little kids saying this, but it's the older people who should know better, who do this." The rewards of being short are "Little children ask my why I'm so short, and I tell them that I didn't eat all of my vegetables when I was young. This encourages them to eat theirs." The disappointments are "not being able to date or find someone my age and height."

The 1976 graduate of Blue Field High School, West Virginia, who attended one year at Blue Field State University, enjoys giving birthday parties, jogging and karate. He has taken six years of karate but hesitates to use it unless a life or death situation arises, Randy Price wants you to know "I'm human also. I have feelings, love to travel, meet people and





Randy Price Stands 4-feet-8

anyone. Other days I can cheer someone up, and that makes me feel like I'm worth something." He is treated as an equal The cook at McDonald's hamburgers fears nothing, and nothing prohibits him because of his height. In fact when he worked as an electrician in West Virginia, he could get in tight places under houses and up in attics which others couldn't. If you want to

Olympic - There is a big drop in the talent from numbers 1, 2, 3 and 4 and 5, 6 and 7, but on a given night there is no telling who might "transpire."

6. East Mecklenburg - The Eagles are holders of some upsets but will be on the road for first round games against the upper echelon.

7. Garinger - The Wildcats have twin towers in Elmore and Walker and are always dangerous.

8. West Mecklenburg - The Indians can score with Milton Moore and Robbie Pope. the wire.

...10. South Mecklenburg - The Sabres are getting scoring from Mark Scholl. This is a good sign for next year.

THE GIRLS' RANKINGS

1. Independence, 2. Harding, 3. West Mecklenburg, 4. West Charlotte, 5. North Mecklenburg, 6. Myers Park, 7. East, 8. South, 9. Olympic and 10. Garinger.

... Probable Final Four at UNCC (boys)

1. West Charlotte, 2. Myers Park, 3. North Mecklenburg, 4. Independence.

Poor Preparation Killing 49ers

for the team were Keith

Williams with 19, Randy

Davis with 14, and Melvin

coach Lee Rose before hit-

ting the road for contests at

Studios

Johnson with 25.

Robert Earl Blue.

By James Cuthbertson Post Sports Writer The UNCC 49'ers found a

team they could beat in Jacksonville, co-habitor of last place in the Sun Belt Conference.

Rumors are flying that UNCC wants out of the Sun Belt Conference because they feel that the team can no longer be competitive in the conference they were a catalyst in getting started. Rubbish!

The 49'ers' misfortunes have been largely the re-suit this year of poor execution and as coach Hal Wissell has said, poor preparation. 'The team has been in

several games but always seems to make the right mistakes that keeps it from pulling off a win.

Against Jacksonville, the team shot 54 percent from the floor and hit 29 of 36 from the line.

Scoring in double figures

younger and pretty close to I'm friendly." James Elmore Is "Player Of The Week"

partment. Sometimes he drives his mother's Volks-

wagen Rabbit. When he

was in junior high school in Ohio, he dated regularly.

"All of the girls were

By James Cuthbertson Post Staff Writer

James Elmore of Garin-ger High School is this week's Charlotte Post "Player of the Week."

Elmore believes that although his season is pro-gressing, he hasn't done what he would like to have done.

"I could have done a little more," he said, "I could have played better defense."

The Wildcats were rated as one of the team's to beat in pre-season and their season so far has been mediocre.

But the bottom line is that one team goes to the playoffs this year and their chances of making it are as good as anybody's. Elmore is averaging 16

points per game and seven rebounds per game and has been getting feelers from

Missouri, Baylor, Old Do-minion and Radford. "I think that we have a

good chance to finish the Johnson has moved to the top of the 49'ers' all-time season strong," he said. scoring list moving past "We lost a lot of close ball games. It is kind of The team has a big game hard to regain your com-Thursday against South Florida and former head posure when you are losing close games."

Coach Kreutzer has told his team that man for man. Western Kentucky on Sa-turday, and Virginia Com-monwealth on Wednesday. they are as good as any in the conference.

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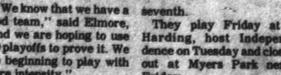
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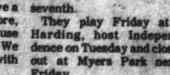
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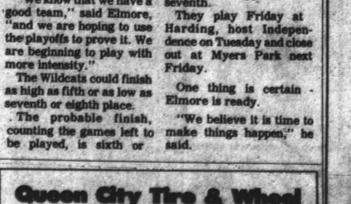
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