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TELLING IT LIKE IT REALLY IS!.....
 Hope springs eternally in the hearts of those who have eternal hope!

It is hoped here that Dr. Robert Albright was misquoted in the statement concerning the promotion of Horace Small from assistant coach to athletic director and head football coach in which he stated: "If we never win another game, but graduate our athletes, I'll be happy."

Historically, the schools with the best athletic programs have gotten the best students and those schools who have less than average athletic programs do not attract the top scholars.

Another point to be made is that if Johnson C. Smith is not dedicated to developing a highly competitive athletic program, why bother to field athletic teams? It will prove a waste of valuable time.

Let's pray that Mr. Small will put together a football program that will excite the Golden Bulls supporters to the point that they will not only attend the games, in impressive numbers, but will invest money in the program as well.

Johnson C. Smith is anchored in rich history. The school is an asset to the Charlotte area. The thing Dr. Albright and Mr. Small must keep in mind at all times is that the world loves a winner and that few people, very few people, support a loser.

Saturday afternoon's baseball game in Hoskins will provide answers to several questions. (1) Is the Metro baseball team as good as Robert Morris believes it is? And (2) are there more than two better-than-average teams in the Triple County Semi-Pro Baseball League this summer?

Have you heard the one about the baseball player who was so slow that bulk rate mail beat him down the firstbase line. In case you're wondering, that's very, very slow!

Jackson States surprised everyone recently when the school gave Paul Covington a one-year contract extension. The move was unexpected since Covington's teams have posted a non-too-impressive 16-42 record the past two years. Look for the NFL to start fighting back. Their first move against the USFL will be a special supplemental draft of college seniors already signed by the rival league. It's about time!

The Chicago Blitz of the USFL is about to fold. They, as expected, are experiencing cash flow problems.

How's this for small change? The University of Alabama football team raked in \$2,195,000 from television during its 1983 regular football season.Wonder if the sports reporters, who berated John Thompson for not allowing his Georgetown basketball players to talk to the media without permission, have forgotten that John Wooden did the same thing when he coached at UCLA?

The wonderful people over at Walls Memorial's athletic department are sponsoring their annual golf tournament a week from Saturday. It's an invitational meet that will be held at Revolution Park Golf Course, beginning at 8 a.m.

The tournament will be played Captain's Choice and will have an entry fee of \$25 for adults and \$20 for those participants under 16. Entry forms should be paid to the church's athletic office. Monday, April 23, is the deadline date.

It's a great meet that deserves your support. Should you desire additional information, give Haze Moore a call at 398-0335 or 375-6131.

Carol Hudson, one of the country's better sports information directors, sends word that Sheila Hillman, a 5'2" sophomore, has been named to the 1984 National Association for Women's Sports Black Collegiate All American team. And 5'8" senior Irma Jones of Bethune-Cookman was named "Player of the Year."

Howard is the new MEAC baseball champs. The Bisons defeated Bethune-Cookman, 18-1, for the title in Greensboro last week. The Washington D.C. university scored 66 runs enroute to the championship. That should be a new league record.

Special attention will be focused on Delaware State, S.C. State and Howard, the top challengers in MEAC track and field, when the loop's spring championships get underway at S.C. State this weekend.

Bet you didn't know that Ralph Sampson led the Houston Rockets in just about everything except issuing tickets to the contests. He led in scoring, rebounding and blocked shots and was among the team's leaders in assists and steals.

Why is it we find it so easy to mind other people's business?

Into Hall Of Fame

North Carolina Central Inducts Three Charlotteans

By Loretta Manago
 Post Staff Writer
 Three Charlotteans were recently inducted into the North Carolina Central University Hall of Fame. Jack Aikens, Bill Malone, and Roy Moore were among the former Central athletes who were recognized and honored for their contribution to the university.

Aikens' honor resulted from a team effort. In 1953, Aikens was a member of the first CIAA championship football team in the college's history. On that day, nearly 21 years ago, the Eagles scored a victory over A&T State University, 15-6. Coached by Herman Riddick, the Eagles scored on a 13-yard field goal by Bill Hollingsworth, an eight-yard run by Jerome Evans and a five-yard run by Linwood Johnson. The victory was the first over the Aggies since 1947 and it gave the Eagles an overall record of 5-3-0 for the season.

Aikens received his B.A. degree from NCCU in 1956. He is presently employed with the U.S. Postal Service and is the husband of the former Bobbie Jean Hoey.



Jack Aikens
Football star

Some of Aikens' previous athletic honors include: Most Valuable Player for Freshman of the Year Award; All-American Team senior year; All-CIAA Team - senior year and a free agent contract

from the Cleveland Browns and a professional contract from the Hamilton Bearcats of the Canadian Football League.

An All-CIAA quarterback for two years, Malone played both track and baseball. He is considered a pioneer in the history of Central's track program. A former CIAA football official, Malone is a retired employee of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company. He is still active in NCCU's alumni association and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. Malone is also a deacon at First United Presbyterian Church.

Roy Moore's efforts in a 1941 Peach Bowl Classic against Morris Brown earned him the title of "Most Valuable Player." Moore was widely known for as a specialist in the classic end around play. Although he had to halt his education to serve in World War II, Moore, not only returned to receive his bachelor's degree, but obtained his master's degree as well.

Some of the people in attendance at the banquet and induction ceremony were: Coach Dean Smith, Coach Clarence "Big House" Gaines, Senator Robert Morgan, and Horace "Bones" McKinney.

Durig his professional career, Moore was both football and basketball coach at St. Augustine's College and football coach and athletic director at South Carolina State College.

Even in his lone loss, a 12-8 decision against South, he hurled the ball and had struck out seven batters and allowed only two hits before he left with the team behind 4-2.

This summer, Springs will play for American Legion Post 262.

When he's not pitching, he doesn't ride the pine. He becomes the designated hitter and so far this season, he is batting .342 from the cleanup position.

He hit a home run against Harding and has 12 singles to his credit. "I am having a real good year," he said. "I just want us to do well in the Conference tournament at Crockett Park."

Springs Is "Athlete Of The Week"

By James Cuthbertson
 Post Sports Writer
 "I really like baseball," smiled Olympic High School's Sherman Springs, this week's Charlotte Post "Sprints Sports Star of the Week."

"I am having a good year and I believe our team will do well in the league tournament," Springs added.

A senior at Olympic, he excels in football and baseball. Twin brother Herman is an excellent basketball player.

Springs has pitched in five games this season winning four and losing one.

He is the second pitcher in Olympic's two-man rotation of starting pitchers.

He pitched a two hitter against West Mecklenburg, a two hitter against Harding where he struck out seven, and a two hit-

ter against Garinger.

Springs has struck out 37 batters in this young season and is getting a reputation from the college scouts as a strikeout artist.

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Mark Harris And Rick Powers Win Par Buster Golf Title

By James Cuthbertson
 Post Sports Writer
 The Par Busters Four-Ball Tournament at Pawtucket Golf Course, was a big success, according to spokesman John Love.

"We had a really good time," Love said. "There were people from everywhere attending the golf tournament."

The event attracted 80 players and two junior players - Gene Lawrence of Olympic and Tony Snead, Jr. of North Mecklenburg.

Visiting players were Emerson Sherman of Cincinnati, James Welbon of Cincinnati, Randy Rozier of New York City, Floyd Boulware and Cleet Pendergrass of Chester, Willie Ingram and Jimmy Witherspoon of Lancaster, Richard Hinton and Sherrick Jackson of Rock Hill and Paul Cunningham and Gerald Young of Spartanburg.

In the championship flight, Mark Harris and Rick Powers won with a 66-74-140 score.

Other finishers were the team of Sherman Jackson and Richard Hinton, 71-71-142; John Crawford and Raymond Grier, 70-73-143; Larry Dean and Francis Pendergrass, 70-74-144; Haywood Stevenson and

Leroy Roseboro, 72-76-140 and Carl Bailey and William Funderburke, 71-81-152.

They were followed by Gene Lawrence and Bobby Ellis, 74-77-151; Robert Brown and Howard Parthlow, 75-77-152; James Welbon and Randy Rozier, 74-78-152; Cleet Pendergrass and Floyd Boulware, 74-78-152 and Willie Ingram and Jimmy Witherspoon, 75-79-154.

In flight two Paul Cunningham and Gerald Young won with 76-72-142; Ronald Morris and Raymond Mitchell, 76-74-150; John Lathan and Kenneth Mitchell, 77-79-156; John Granger and Wallace Payson, 76-80-156; Larry Washington and Not Colson, 76-80-156; Freddie Goodman and Olin Grier, 77-82-159 and John Love and Roosevelt Swift, 76-82-162.

In flight three Charles McCullough and Otis Worthing, 79-71-150; Dave Taylor and Raymond Fowell, 78-74-152; George Pettice and Barry Mason, 78-76-154; Lewis Rorie and Tom Brewer, 80-75-155; Johnny Williams and Price Cathey, 79-76-155; Emerson Sherman and Willie Thompson, 78-79-157 and James Plummer and Tim Harris, 78-79-157.

Flight four winners were Elmore Hicklin and James Parthlow, 82-76-157; Gerald Bridges and Simon Hooper, 81-78-159; Herman King and Jim Olson, 83-77-160; George Williams and Otha Gamble, 81-80-161; Billy Brannon and Donny Snead, 81-82-163; Charles Kemp and Jennings Brewer, 83-83-166; Reggie Sellars and Burnice Bittle, 85-81-166; Steve Lawrence and Tony Snead, 79-79-158; Melvin Jackson and Robert Stevenson, 80-80-160; George Moore and James Moore, 78-85-163; Sammy Lawrence and Shelley Lawrence, 80-83-163; Harry Benton and Charles Barnett, 78-88-166; Mack Adams and Joe Hill, 86-82-168 and James Rush and Charles McKinney, 82-90-172.

The closest-to-the-hole on Saturday was Mark Harris. On Sunday the contest winner was Leroy Roseboro.

WHERE THEY PLAY
 Saturday, April 21
 Bowling Green at Q.C. Rangers
 Mount Holly at Charlotte Bombers
 Westside Eagles at Kings Mountain
 Lincolnton at Charlotte Redbirds
 Phillies at Hoskins



Members of Walls Memorial AME Zion Church, celebrating their 100th church anniversary, will present their Centennial Pageant, "A Walk Down Memory Lane With Faith," Wednesday, April 25. Above, participants in the pageant prepare for dress rehearsal. The pageant will depict the history of the church while also including its spiritual emphasis, past and present.

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