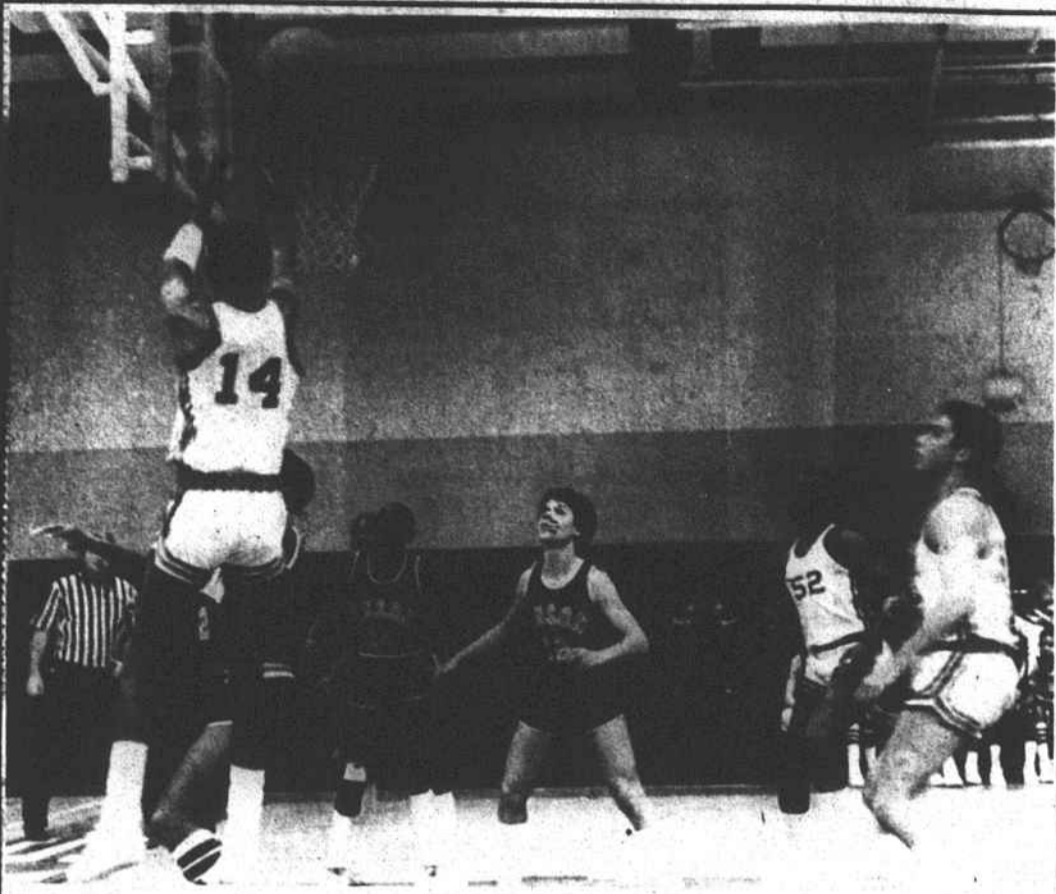


Sports



Undefeated
Freshman Johnny Maynor makes two points during a home game with Anson County. The freshman team remained undefeated this season by beating the Wadeboro team last week.

Bucks 2-1 after split

The Hoke High Bucks basketball team won one and lost one last week.

On Tuesday, the Bucks lost their game against South View by one point.

The final score was Hoke County-62; South View-63.

At half time, the Bucks were trailing 37-29, but with 2:02 minutes remaining in the game, they managed to get ahead, thanks to a shot by Steve Hamilton.

But South View managed to rally during the last remaining seconds of the game and came out on top.

"Overall my guys played real hard and real well against South View," said Hoke County's coach George Drawhorn. "But we didn't make our free throws when we had to and we had too many

turnovers."

Marvin Maynor led the Bucks at scoring with 17 points during the game against South View.

The Bucks game against Seventy-First on Friday night was another story.

The final score was Hoke County-70; Seventy-First-60.

After 23 fouls were called during the first half of the game, the Bucks were winning 34-33.

But the turning point in the game occurred when Hoke's Marvin Maynor scored three baskets with six and one-half minutes remaining in the game.

"Everything we did Friday night was right, but we still had to come around to win," Coach Drawhorn said.

"The guys played team ball and

there was a lot of unity out there on the floor," Drawhorn commented.

Steve Hamilton led the Bucks with a total of 15 points on Friday.

The two games last week bring the Bucks' standing to 2-1.

When asked how he thought the team was doing so far, Coach Drawhorn said: "At the moment I think we are making too many turnovers; but when everybody knows his role, we'll have a great team."

"We have a good team now - but after Christmas we'll have a great team," he added.

The girls team lost to South View, 31-44; and won over Seventy-First, 30-27.

The Boys' Junior Varsity also lost to South View, 63-68; and won over Seventy-First, 75-72.

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Andrew McLaughlin - 160
James Singletary - 160
Glenn Thompkins - 160

RESULTS

Towne Barber Shop 3	Strikers 1
RaeFord No. 1 1	4-D's 3
Medicine Shoppe 1	
Hollingsworth Bus Co. 3	

FINAL STANDINGS

Team	W	L
Towne Barber Shop	35 1/2	20 1/2
Medicine Shoppe	33	23
Hollingsworth Bus Co.	28	28
Strikers	25	31
RaeFord No. 1	24 1/2	31 1/2
4-D's	22	34

200 and HIGH SERIES

Larry McDonald - 202
James Nixon - 559 Series

SCHEDULE FOR 12/12/85

Hollingsworth Bus. Co. vs. 4-D's
RaeFord No. 1 vs. Strikers
Towne Barber Shop vs. Medicine Shoppe

Legion team gets shot with ex-Yankee's help

By Ron Anderson
American Legion baseball in Hoke County got a boost last Tuesday when former Yankee Bobby Richardson spoke to a crowd of over 200 gathered for a banquet at the National Guard Armory.



American Legion
Former Yankee Bobby Richardson speaks to a banquet crowd at the Armory last week. The banquet was held to raise both money and support for a Hoke County American Legion baseball team.

The banquet, which also featured appearances by Miss North Carolina and Miss Fayetteville, was one method of garnering both support and money for a local team scheduled to begin playing ball in the spring.

According to Athletic Director for American Legion Post 20 Jimmie N. Conoly, Richardson's excellent reputation made him the choice speaker for the event.

"Since we're aiming toward a good baseball image, Richardson was the perfect choice," Conoly said.

Richardson joined the Yankees at 19 and played in over 1,400 games while the Yankees were winning the pennant eight of the first nine years.

Five time winner of the Gold Glove Award, Richardson was named an All-Star seven times.

Richardson was MVP of the 1960 World Series and set records that still stand - most hits and most runs batted in a World Series.

He is currently athletic director and head baseball coach at Coastal Carolina College.

Conoly said Post 20 must raise \$3,000 for a Hoke County American Legion team.

So far, between profits from the banquet and the selling of American flags, the Post has raised approximately \$900.

"We will in the future be doing different things to raise money for the team," Conoly said.

Money raised will be spent on

entry fees, insurance, uniforms and transportation.

Conoly has no doubts about the post's ability in raising enough money to get the team off the ground.

"Without question, we will have a team in the spring," Conoly said.

Players for the 17-member team will be drawn from throughout Hoke County as well as from Red Springs, Parkton and St. Pauls.

The team will be playing its home games at the old Armory.

At one time a Hoke County American Legion was playing ball.

Conoly is anxious to see Legion ball return because "it teaches class and character and puts a lot of integrity into ball players."

"We want good quality baseball for Hoke County," Conoly said.

Pittman Grove wins two

The Pittman Grove Baptist Bruins defeated the Broadridge Baptist Church 35-31 and the Antioch Presbyterian Church 47-45.

In the game against Antioch, Mike Overton and Steven Lovette scored a combined total of 27

points. The game was won on the last basket made by Mike Overton.

The Bruins will play in the quarter finals and finals at the First Baptist Church in Lumberton on December 14.

Upchurch streak ends at 50

Hamlet defeated Upchurch boys by a score of 52-32. The loss broke the Eagles' 50-game winning streak dating back to January 1981.

"We were out-hustled, out played, out shot, totally out of it. This was the worst defeat we ever had. We showed up but we didn't come to play. Hamlet also broke

Upchurch's 44-game winning streak in 1981.

Scorers were: Derick Graham 12 points, Jeff Huffman 6 points, Anthony Monroe 6 points, Craig Southerland 4 points, Jeff Maynor and Rain McNeill 2 points each.

Upchurch's next home game is January 20.

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