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Louisburg Downs Wilmington for Invitational Tourney Crown

Carver, Reid and Pulliam Make All-Tourney Berths



Help—Louisburg player (No. 44) Danny Carver puts in two points over outstretched hand of hidden Wilmington player Tom Ware. Looking on are (No. 41) Gene Bogash (No. 34), Doug Reid (No. 40), Walt Pulliam, and (No. 25), Jack Bardour.

The Purple Hurricanes ran through their three post-season games with comparative ease to win the Louisburg Invitational Tournament title.

Three Louisburg players were selected to the All-Tourney team for their outstanding action in each of the three games. Shoe-ins for the honor were Doug Reid of Frankfort, Indiana, who had a three-game average of 25.3 points, and Danny Carver of Mebane, who averaged 18 rebounds and 20 points in the tournament. Walt Pulliam from Greensboro, was selected to a team spot on the tourney team when he scored 24 points in leading Louisburg to the championship title.

In the first round of play, Newport News Apprentice School was pitted against host Louisburg College in a reshuffling of basketball pairings, and the Builders became a third-time victim of the powerful Hurricanes this season. Coach Wayne Benton's outfit was led by a 35-point performance from freshman Doug Reid in disposing of the Apprentices 89-78.

The Builders, coached by Billy Castelow, who were originally seeded sixth and slated to play Wilmington College in the tourney opener, wound up with a 6-16 record.

The Hurricanes began their victorious spurt in the final three minutes of the second half as Reid proved nearly unstoppable, both from the floor and the foul line.

The outset of the second half found the tournament hosts taking up where they left off at intermission. With less than six minutes elapsed in the final period, Benton's outfit owned a 58-37 advantage; and from that point, the issue was never in doubt.

All the Hurricane starters ended in double figures. Danny Carver collected 14, while Walt Pulliam, Jerry Combest, and Jim Goodrich all managed 10.

Apprentice Senior Co-captain Bernie Vaughan was high for the visitors with 18. D. T. Andreoli added 16 while Boyce Bowden and John McKinney hit for 11 each.

In the second game of the evening, Chowan disposed of Oak Ridge Military Academy, 86-78.

In the semi-final-round, Louisburg romped over Chowan with a second half burst, and Wilmington easily downed Edwards Military Institute by 78-56.

Louisburg led the entire way in their victory over Chowan, although the "Braves" came close at intermission when the count was 31-30. In the second half the Hurricanes began to use a fast break, which broke up the zone defense used by Chowan. Outstanding players for Louisburg were Danny Carver and Doug Reid with 24 and 20 points respectively, and Jim Goodrich with 15. Coach Benton cleared the bench with five minutes left to play, and the Hurricanes went on to win 81-62. High scorers for Chowan were Melvin

Bowles with 20 points, Jay Reed and Butch Wolfe netting 13 apiece.

In the second game, Wilmington won with little resistance as Captain Gene Bogash carded 22 points for the Seahawks, setting up the championship game with Louisburg.

In the two previous meetings between the two arch-rivals, Louisburg won by a wide margin, 91-70, on their home court, and the Seahawks had won their home game against the Hurricanes in overtime.

In the first half of the championship game, the two teams were never more than four points apart. Louisburg led the entire first period until with 0:58 left in the half, Tom Cole put Wilmington ahead for the first time; and the score at half-time was Seahawks 32, Louisburg 31.

For the third straight night Louisburg came storming back in the second half. With 5:23 showing on the clock, Jerry Combest followed two points by Doug Reid with four of his own to put Louisburg ahead for good at 64-57. Coach Benton stayed with his starting five for the entire game.

Walt Pulliam played his finest game of the season and was virtually unguarded by Wilmington in scoring 24 points. Doug Reid was close behind with 21, and Jerry Combest, Danny Carver, and Jim Goodrich added 14, 13, and 4 respectively in winning 76-66.

Alumni Top J. V.; Varsity Wins Homecoming Game

Homecoming was just that for the Alumni, as they downed the Louisburg College J.V.'s in what must be termed as a mild upset. The team, composed of 17 varsity basketball players that dated back as far as 1955, trailed the entire game until the final seconds of play.

The J.V.'s, coached by Joe Reed, took an early lead when Skipper Reep and Billy Briscoe connected for the first eight points of the game.

Dean John B. York, coaching the Alumni, had his players grouped into three teams. At each timeout, one team would replace the other. The team that seemed to click the best was composed of most of last year's varsity basketball players. With the rebounding of J. C. English and Jerry Manning and the scoring punch of Stafford Wheeler and Fred West, the Alumni kept up with the pace of the fast-breaking J.V.'s.

At half time the biggest margin in scoring was obtained when the J.V.'s led 40-32 on a last-second shot by Pete Aycock. Coach "Speedy" York then proceeded to give his boys a historical pep talk. The team was so inspired that they scored the first six points of the second half and never fell behind by more than four points throughout the remainder of the game.

With 0:47 showing on the clock, J. C. English tied the game for the first time at 67-67. The Alumni then got the ball on a bad pass by the J.V. squad, which because of fouls, was now playing with five men, and nobody on the bench. Stafford Wheeler with five seconds left to play sank a twenty-foot shot and was fouled in the process, making the final score Alumni, 70; J.V.'s, 67.

In the second game of the double-header, the Louisburg varsity Hur-

ricanes whitewashed Roanoke Business College of Roanoke, Virginia. The game was never in doubt as the Hurricanes ran up a quick 10-0 score over the Nationals in the first minute of play, with Walt Pulliam putting in the first eight. Louisburg ran up the score until at half-time it read Louisburg, 50; Roanoke, 37.

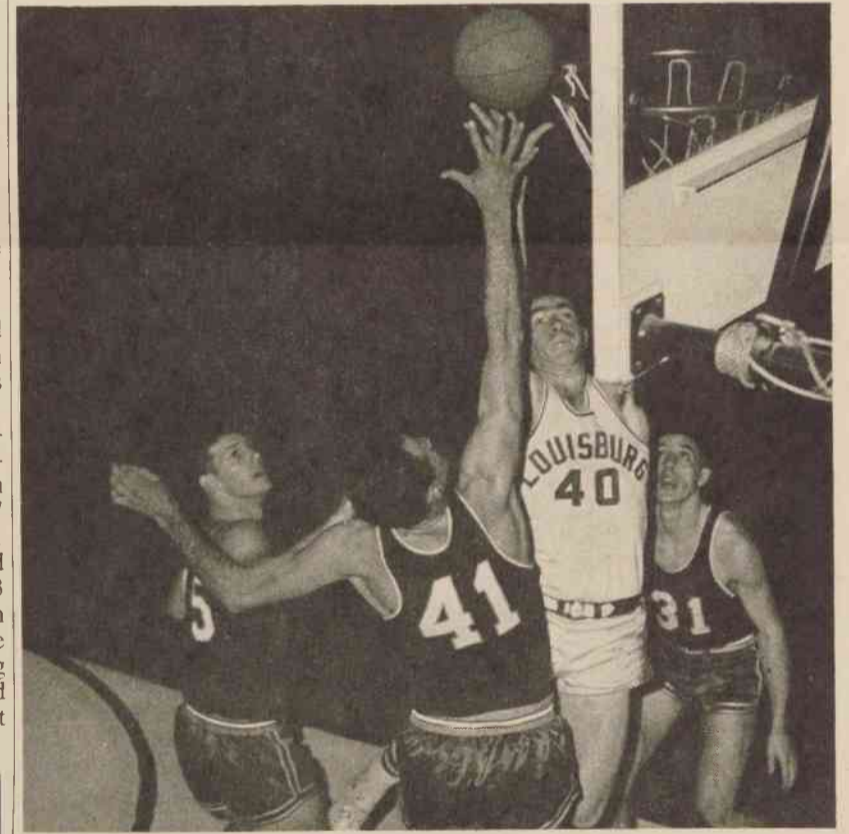
That was as close as the Nationals ever came because the Hurricanes looked even stronger during the sec-

ond half. With 4:04 left to play and the score standing at 95-60, Coach Wayne Benton mercifully sent in his reserves.

Standouts for the Purple Hurricanes were three twenty-point performers. Danny Carver was high man in scoring and rebounding with 27 points netted from the floor and 21 rebounds. Next followed Doug Reid and Jim Goodrich, throwing in 23 and 20 points respectively. Nelson Powell was high man for Roanoke with 17. Louisburg shot a blistering 71 percent from the floor and scored over 100 points for the fourth straight game in winning 113-75.



All together now—Danny Carver (No. 44) and Bobbie Howard (No. 14) of Louisburg go up for rebound against Roanoke's Nelson Powell (No. 41) as Doug Reid (No. 34) looks on during homecoming game.



Somebody lower the basket!!!—Walt Pulliam (No. 40) makes goal surrounded by Wilmington players Tom Ware (No. 45), Gene Bogash (No. 41), and Bob Ship (No. 31).

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