

PIRATES END SEASON WITH
RECORD OF THREE WINS
AND SIX LOSSES

The Elizabeth City Pirates completed one of the hardest seasons in the history of the school. Playing undoubtedly the toughest schedule ever, the Pirates won three games and lost six. One of the losses was a heartbreaking 8-12 affair to a very weak Johnson C. Smith eleven on November 3, Homecoming. Other losses were to powerful St. Augustine, tops in the C.I.A.A., the much improved Bears, Winston-Salem, Kentucky State, and Virginia Union.

The three wins were a 19-0 pasting of Fayetteville, 6-0 struggle over Livingstone College, and a 14-8 come-from-behind dribbling of Norfolk State.

A weak passing attack hurt the 1956 Pirates considerably. Most of the opponents stocked up their defenses to stop the ground game because of this, and caused many drives by the Pirates to be stopped.

If the 1957 Pirates can get a passing attack to go with their fine running game, fans will see a big revival in the fall.

In the final game with Norfolk State, the Pirates running attack was great. Fullback Branch's speed and power had the fans on their feet, and the jet-like bursts of halfback Joe Buggs kept them there. Fred Brown's acception and broken field running had other fans hoarse at the close of the game. Behind this trio Rhinehart, and Smith who both have shown flashes of gridiron greatness.

A passing attack to keep their opponent's defenses honest, and the Pirates would be hard to stop next year.

SPORTSMANSHIP

Again we are asking you to show sportsmanship in intramural sports and make this a successful season. Referees and officials will be appointed by the Head of the Intramural League. Their decisions will be final, and persons who persistently argue their decisions can be expelled from a game.

NOTE ON USE OF GYMNASIUM

Anyone who uses the gym floor must wear tennis shoes. No type of street shoe, whether rubber or crepe soled, will be allowed on the floor. Violaters will be punished.

Elizabeth City Teachers College
BASKETBALL SCHEDULE
1956-57

Home Games	
January 12	Hampton Institute
January 17	Bluefield (W. Va.)
January 19	Winston-Salem
January 26	Maryland State
January 30	St. Paul Polytechnic
January 31	Livingstone College
February 2	Fayetteville
February 5	W. Va. State
February 9	Norfolk State
February 16	St. Augustine

Games Away	
December 7	Livingstone College
December 8	Winston-Salem
December 14	St. Augustine
December 15	Fayetteville
January 3	Maryland State
January 5	St. Paul Polytechnic
January 8	Hampton
February 13	Norfolk State

1956-57 PIRATES CAGERS
HAVE SEVEN VETERANS RE-
TURNING FOR COMING
SEASON

The 1956-57 Elizabeth City Pirates of Coach Bobby Vaughn have seven returning veterans and seven Freshmen to carry the Basketball fortunes of this school.

The Pirates have 18 games scheduled for the coming season. Starting December 7 the Elizabeth City cagers open with a game at Livingstone College, and close the season with St. Augustine here February 16.

The Pirates cagers will be lead by co-captains Richard Morgan and Randolph Tootle, two of the best players ever to wear a Pirates uniform. Behind them are Melvin Boyd, a great shooter and driver who has yet to reach his peak; Henry Fields, last year's sensation who looks even greater in practice; Aaron Cheston, jump shot artist, who hits with uncanny accuracy; Joseph Edding, a terrific rebounder and shooter; Robert Moody, brilliant keyhole performer, and Fred Peele, high scoring guard.

Leading the great freshmen crop are Theodore Carrington, and Joseph Buggs, two all-staters from Newport News, Bobby Carr, George Long, Charles Murphy, Calvin Williams, and Joseph Scott.

These boys give the Pirates great bench strength and will be definitely needed in the coming campaign.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Floyd Patterson became the youngest man ever to hold the heavyweight crown when he knocked out ancient Archie Moore in five rounds on Friday, November 30, at Chicago Stadium. Floyd is only 21.

Vernon Jones, who completed his eligibility last year, is assisting Coach Vaughn with the basketball team. Jones, who played basketball at Norfolk State and here at S.T.C., will be of great help to head coach Vaughn.

The mighty Pirates will compete again in the EIAC during the basketball season. They are favorites to win in the regular season and the tournament. As always their closest challengers are the Spartans of Virginia State, who defeated the Pirates twice last year. It can go any way when these two rivals meet.

Led by Outlaw, Lee, and Baker, the Norfolk State Spartans could go all of the way this year in EIAC competition. In recent showing, they have looked superb. If they can get by the Pirates of Elizabeth City, it will probably be their best season in years.

EX-PIRATE JAMES GREER
MAKES NORTHERN LEAGUE
ALL STAR GRID TEAM

Long remembered ex-pirate James Greer was recently voted on the Northern League All Star Grid Team in Germany. After finishing his college career, he was drafted by the Cleveland Browns, and that same year he was called to the Army. Now in the Army, he has led his team with 43 points, and pulled in 17 in passes for a total of 395 yards.

1956-57 PIRATE ROSTER

**Randolph Tootle	Senior
**Richard Morgan	Junior
*Melvin Boyd	Junior
*Fred Peele	Sophomore
*Robert Moody	Junior
*Joseph Edding	Sophomore
*Aaron Cheston	Freshman
Joseph Scott	Sophomore
Theodore Carrington	Freshman
George Long	Freshman
Bobby Carr	Freshman
Charles Murphy	Freshman
Calvin Williams	Freshman
Joseph Buggs	Freshman
**—Co-Captains	
*—Veterans	

INTRAMURAL SPORTS

The Intramural sport season is here again, and it shapes up as the best ever. No teams have been chosen as yet, except the girls' basketball teams, so we won't make any predictions, but we're sure that it will be another battle down to the finish.

New additions this year are a girls' intramural league, and a team which will represent the faculty men in the boys' league.

Led by Coach Harris, who plays the pivot like Goose Tatum, Coach Vaughn whose play making and shooting are similar to Bob Cousy's, and six-point Caldwell, the faculty will be well represented.

READY FOR CHRISTMAS

"Ready for Christmas," she said, with a sigh,
And gave a last touch to the gifts piled high.
She wearily sat for a moment and read,
And soon, very soon she was nodding her head.

Then spoke a child in her dream
"Ready for Christmas, what do you mean?
Ready for Christmas, when only last week
You would not acknowledge your friends on the street.

A blind man fell with his begging cup
You would not stop and help him up."
"Ready for Christmas, what do you mean
Ready means more than a house swept clean.

More than the giving of gifts and a tree
A heart swept clean is what He wants to see,
A heart that is free from bitterness and sin
Ready for Christmas and ready for Him."

—Submitted by Katrina Johnson

B.R.H. CLUB NEWS

To make Bias Residence Hall more attractive, the residents therein have purchased draperies, table covers, and paintings for the study rooms and halls. These additions have not only improved the appearance of the Hall, but have also given a pleasant atmosphere.

THINK

If everyone who drives a car
Could lie a month in bed,
With broken bones and ugly wounds
Or fractures on the head,
And then endure the agonies
That many people do,
He'd never need preach safety
Any more to me or you.

If everyone could meet the wife
And children with Dad gone,
And step into the darkened home
Where once happy faces shone,
And look upon the "vacant chair"
Where Dad was wont to sit.
I am sure each reckless driver
Would be forced to think a bit.

If everyone could stand aside,
The bed of some close friend
And hear the doctor say "no hope"
Before that fatal end,
And see him there unconscious
Never knowing What took place,
The laws and rules of traffic
I am sure we'd soon embrace.

If everyone who takes the wheel
Would say a little prayer,
And keep in mind those in the car
Are depending on his care,
And make a vow and pledge himself
Never to take a chance,
The great crusade for safety would
suddenly advance.
—Submitted by Andrew V. Johnson
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EXPANSION

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elementary education.

Much of the discussion centered around the needs of the students. Surveys previously made by members of our college faculty showed that many high school students are interested in pursuing other vocations as well as that of elementary education. To meet these needs is the concern of the Board of Higher Education and the Trustees.

The members of the two boards were mindful of the fact that the College has made great contributions to the cultural development of the community which it has served for many years. It was brought out that colleges need the moral support of the communities which they serve and that every effort should be made to promote greater interest in the progress of the College.

It was decided by the Board to make surveys of high school students with reference to their desires for vocational training, as well as to secure information concerning interest in a variety of occupations.

Conferring in the office of President S. D. Williams were Dr. Harris Purks, Paul Reid, Major L. P. McLendon, W. J. Kennedy and W. J. Womble of the Higher Board of Education and six members of the Board of Trustees of the College.

