

# Terry, Harold Carry Rams

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HAMPTON, Va. - With David Harold finally coming alive with a flurry, Winston-Salem State slipped away from Virginia Union in the last six minutes for a tense 79-72 first round victory last night in the CIAA tournament.

"I don't think I've ever been as nervous as I was before this game," said Ram coach Bighouse Gaines, still panting shallowly. "This tournament is like a game of Russian roulette."

Winston, now 23-2, meets Norfolk State in the semifinals at 9 tonight.

"I don't know about next year ... I'm going to have to go home and pray," Union coach Robert Moore said dejectedly. "This has been one of the roughest seasons I've ever had. It's really taken a whole lot to keep going."

"This game typifies the season we've had: we've shown moments of greatness and then we start slipping. We had Winston - I figured they were out for the count. But then they'd come back with something spectacular."

The Rams, second-ranked nationally in the NAIA poll and the tourney favorite, ripped away to a 14-point lead midway through the first half, 34-20. But Union drew even and for the next 21 minutes the pressure game turned into a painfully slow chess match with the pawns being sacrificed as hours dragged on.

Winston was ahead only 36-34 at the start of the second half and the Panthers began pounding away. For one five minute stretch, Carlos Terry was the only offensive weapon Gaines had, while Union was hitting from everywhere. But Terry, who wound up with 22 points in the piteant game, matched the Panthers virtually shot for shot. And his back to back dunks with 10 minutes left (on assists from Reggie Gaines and Harold) at last woke the Rams up.

With Winston ahead 59-57, Harold keyed 10 straight points that put the Rams up 69-61 with

2:21 left. From there the game turned on the foul line, where the Rams made their final 10 points.

"They ran out of gas," Reggie Gaines said jubilantly, pointing to Harold's out playing Union's bevy of guards down the stretch.

But Coach Gaines himself was more wary about reading the game.

"We weren't getting the production out of Luke Lowery and Mark Clark that we should be," the coach said. "We keep trying to assure them that as long as they're taking good shots, then it's no sweat if they miss a couple."

"And we didn't get a good first half out of Reggie (who had 21 points and a game-high 10 rebounds, though only taking 11 shots)."

Union's comeback was the result of a change in offenses late in the first half. "They threw something at us we hadn't seen, and the picks were getting us," explained Terry.

"The refs took the game away from us last week (Winston's 86-84 loss at Union last Saturday)," Terry added. "They didn't play any better this time. It's just we had an equal amount of refereeing. We were more concerned about (Lamont) Echols (who had 13 points) than (Larry) Holmes (the 6-7 center, who had 24), because Echols was the one who hurt us last time."

"But I think a big difference this time was David played a better game."

The win was revenge for the previous loss to Union, the Rams' lone conference loss. And there was considerable emotion on both sides last night. "(Willard) Coker wouldn't even shake our hands after this game," gloated Terry, "and he was so happy the other night."

And Coach Gaines was still irate over the technical foul he drew in Richmond, a costly call. "My first tech in two years, and I didn't even say anything to the officials," Gaines fumed. "The

only thing I didn't like in Richmond was that some little egotistical guy just wanted to be seen."

But then Gaines cooled down and tried to downplay the psychological battle between him and Moore. "There's not as much pressure in this league as there is in other leagues," he said, smiling in referring obviously to the Atlantic Coast Conference. "There are no hate sessions between coaches."

"Sure, all these kids want to beat the old man," he went on, talking about Moore, the former Atkins High coach. "But we get along great. My wife went with all of us over to Africa this past summer, and she just fell in love with Charles Benson and Derwin Lilly (Union's most damaging guards). And I got a room at the motel here for Moore's father. We're a nice happy family."

Yet Moore himself was depressed after the game. For him it was clearly not simply just another loss. And the touches of gray in his hair seemed brighter than ever before.

"If we'd have lost to Winston last week, we'd have probably won this game," Moore said softly. "This is a better team than last year's, but there doesn't seem to be the closeness there was last year. We've got a lot of kids with a lot of ability, but sometimes that hurts you, in cohesiveness."

"You know, I'm not getting any younger ... I've got maybe one good basketball program left to bring up ... somewhere. I just don't know."

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# Girl's Basketball

Alice Lindsey

"They're just a bunch of talented girls," said Arthur Chavious, coach of the Women's Basketball team. Last year most of the girls were unfamiliar with each other, but this year, they have molded themselves together to make up a successful team.

The starting five are Laurice Jenkins, Wanda Robertson, Brenda Winfield, Cheryl Burke, and Carla Kincaid. Laurice Jenkins, a Junior from Laurusburg, N.C., is top scorer. She hits about twenty points a game, and Brenda Winfield, known to her teammates as "Tonto", scores about eighteen points per game. There is great rebounding from 6'2 Carla Kincaid and 6'1 Phyllis Dabbs.

Equally important are the other members of the team, which consists of two Freshmen, Rebecca Robinson and Carolyn Harbinson, two sophomores, Mary King and Marilyn White, and two juniors, Selena Washington and Barbara Coleman.

The team now has a record of 12 and 1, but to the Mighty Rams, they are 12 and 0 since one game was forfeited, due to the team arriving late. They hold third place among the Black colleges, and in February, the team will travel to Raleigh for the CIAA Tournament, which will be held the 16-18 at St. Augustine College. Later on in the month, the team will participate in the NCAIW Tournament.

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By: Alice Lindsey

# Softball Practice Begins

The girl's softball team has begun a rigorous training and conditioning in preparation for this season's games. Returning players include Constance Abbott, Barbara Coleman, Sharon Cunningham, Barbara Howell, Barbara Kincaid, Jocelyn Lewis, Edna Smith, Linda Troy, Shelia Vanhook, Selena Washington and Brenda Winfield. The girls, who were ranked fifth in the State last year, are coached by Joe Graham.

Sheila Monroe

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# Carlos Terry Honored

February 14, 1978 was proclaimed Carlos Terry Day at WSSU. On this day Terry played his last homecourt game. He will be graduating in May and his remaining games will be played in the CIAA Tournament.

As the fans filed into the Winston-Salem Coliseum they were given autographed pictures of Terry. All of the spectators felt that Terry, better known as Slim, would be his usual dynamic self. He didn't disappoint them racking up 37 points to lead the Rams to a 104-82 victory over St. Augustines college.

Terry is probably the most celebrated player since Earl "The Pearl" Monroe. During his career at WSSU he has amassed a total of 1,968 points and 1,369 rebounds which places him among the leading scorers in the university history. He presently averages about 21 points per game. He has been named All-CIAA three times, is a two time NAIA District 26 selection, and is presently on the Pizza Hut Classic roster. Terry was also named to the Associated Press Small College All-American

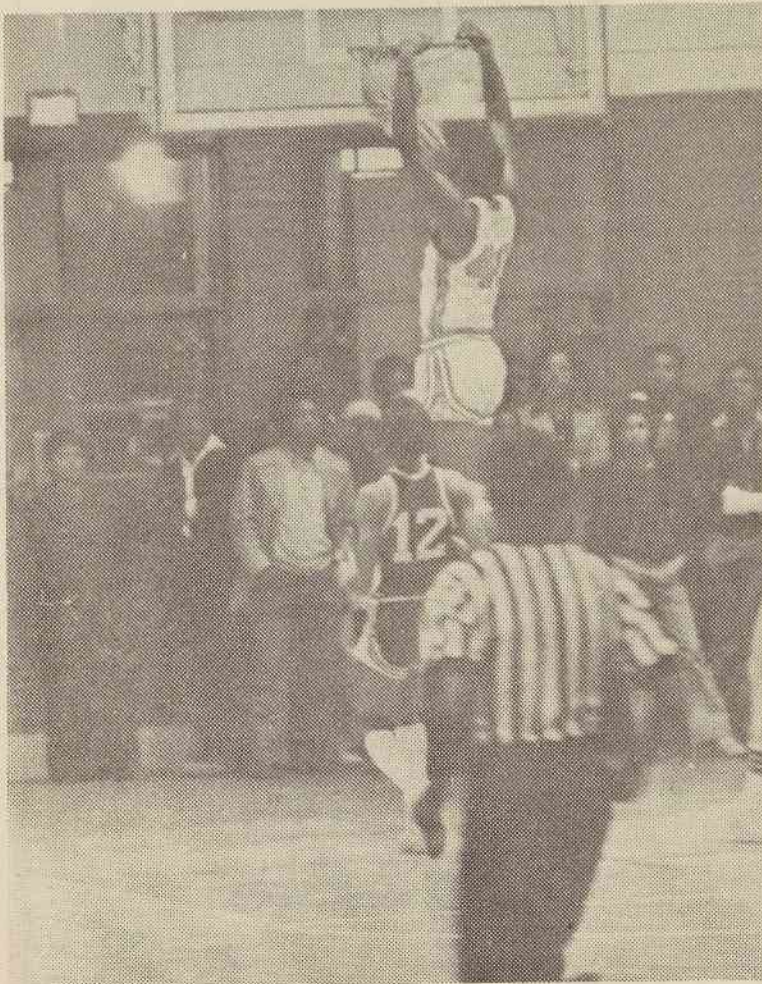
squad last year.

During halftime Terry was asked to come to center court where he was congratulated on his outstanding record by H. Douglas Covington, chancellor of WSSU and Miss Marilyn Pearson, president of the Day Student Association. Miss Pearson presented both Terry and Coach "Bighouse" Gaines with tokens of appreciation from the Day Student Association. When asked if he had anything to say Terry momentarily refused comment, but then reconsidered and said that he would like to thank the fans for their support and all the people who made this honor possible.

Carlos Terry is a good team player. He doesn't hog the ball, but is willing to pass the ball to his teammates and lets them take shots. Terry says that this is the way to win games. He must be right since the Rams have had 21 victories in 22 outings.

Other activities held in Terry's honor included a free game jam sponsored by Omega Psi Phi, Inc.

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