

Hines, Watson Lead Cagers Over Albemarle

With the visions of sweet victories dancing in their heads, Wesleyan College's basketball Bishops have begun the 1965-66 season.

Wesleyan, in its third year of intercollegiate competition, has given a pre-season indication of breaking the school's losing basketball tradition with six lettermen and a host of talented looking newcomers on a squad that Coach Don Scalf calls his "finest ever."

Tonight Wesleyan travels to Laurinburg to tangle with Dixie Conference foe St. Andrews. Both finished huddled at the bottom of the regular season conference standings last year. Wesleyan will rate as the favorite.

The "finest ever" label also fits senior co-captain Don Hines, a 6-2 jumping jack from Selma. Scalf has built his fast-breaking offense around his tall-everywhere forward and the potential shown last campaign by 6-5 sophomore George Watson, a Rocky Mount lad.

To go along with this one-two scoring punch, the Bishops have a covey of speedy guards in seniors Mike Pratt, co-captain and David Barbin, and newcomers Dana Dickens, a freshman from Snow Hill, and junior Pete House of Nashville, a transfer from Chowan Junior College, to make the running attack click.

In a pair of exhibition victories

over the Rocky Mount Men's City League All Stars and the College of Albemarle, Scalf's charges have been able to run and score. Defense has caused Scalf some headaches, however.

The Bishops, rolled by the All-Stars, 76-63, and then edged Albemarle, 92-91. In both games Scalf made liberal use of his rookies.

In the exhibition performances Hines lived up to his press clippings by scoring 44 points in the two wins. Watson tallied 21 points in the two games. Both played sparingly.

These men join 6-6 senior Dave Brady, one of the Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference's top rebounders, to make the Bishops strong off the boards. Sophomore Wayne Brown (6-2) and freshman Al Horne (6-1) give depth at the forwards. 6-6 freshman Bill Waters is developing fast and spells for Brady in the pivot. Freshmen Phil Harrell and Bob Keyes give added front court support.

Pratt and Barbin are regulars from last season. House and Dickens are giving both stiff tests to keep their starting jobs. Rookies John Jenks and John Baker are other guards.

Running 'n gunning is the way Scalf hopes his boys will be able to play. Outsourcing the opposition is his only goal.



R. Wirin, J. Stover, N. Railey, B. Stearns and J. Dubel watch as Joe Boling executes a move on Bruce Harris.— Photo by Boothe

Bishops Place Second In D.I.A.C. Tourney

The first annual DIAC volleyball tournament, held at Wesleyan recently, was won by the Methodist College team in a close championship game with the Bishop squad, 21-18.

The Wesleyan team, composed of Guy Turner, Don Hines, Denny Patrick, Tom Davis, Bill Hearn, Blaine Adams, Timmy Troutman, and Stiles Livengood, easily won their first two matches with Lynchburg and St. Andrews.

Methodist also ran roughshod over their first two opponents, and thus set up a rematch of the field day event which brought the rotating trophy back to Wesleyan last month.

The Monarch aggregation from Fayetteville sported several good set-up men and one excellent spiker. It was apparent that they had come to win, and win they did.

Wesleyan was unable to play even fair volleyball for the first half

of the match, and Methodist jumped into a 14-6 lead. Then, reminiscent of field day, the Bishops came back strong, gaining an 18-17 lead, before Methodist called time out to cool off the hot Wesleyan drive.

Following the time out, which apparently worked, Methodist proceeded to drop in three straight points to take the game and the tournament trophy.

The Bishop squad, which was coached by Dr. Bauer and Mr. Music, had only three practices, but displayed good teamwork and hustle throughout the tournament.

Wrestling Team Promises Good '65-'66 Season

The Wesleyan wrestling team has been practicing for the last three weeks without a mat, and last Monday a beautiful blue and gold 36' by 36' ensolite mat finally arrived.

The team has been shaping up well under the guidance of Coach Bill Music, and promises to provide many exciting moments for spectators at the three home matches.

Present team members and weight classes are:

Ray Martin-123, Mutt Kessel - 130, Joe Boling-137, John Dubel-147, Bruce Harris and Jerry Eatman, 157, Nat Railey-167, John Carson and John Stover - 177, Leon Anderson and Roger Wirin-heavyweight.

The first match of the season was held December 6 at Pembroke. Due to the fact that the new mat was very late in arriving, other matches have been re-scheduled. The revised schedule will be released later.



Co-Captains Mike Pratt and Don Hines. — Photo by Boothe

Pratt, Hines Elected As Co-Captains

Seniors Mike Pratt and Don Hines have been elected co-captains of the North Carolina Wesleyan College's basketball Bishops for the 1965-66 season.

Pratt, a 5-7 guard from Suffolk, Va., has been a starter at Wesleyan for two years, averaging 14.8 points as a sophomore and 7.8 as a junior. Pratt quarterbacks the Bishops.

Hines, who transferred from Cumberland (Ky.) College, played second semester for the Bishops last year and averaged 12.5 in four regular-season games (he played only minutes in two of those games due to an ankle injury) and 25 points and 12 rebounds a game during the Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference tournament. He was named MVP of the Conference tournament. The 6-2 jumping jack from Selma is described by coach Don Scalf as the "school's finest basketball player ever."

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