Eight strong basketball teams

from the colleges of the North

State Conference will converge

on Statesville tomorrow for the

annual Conference basketball

tournament, which will continue

for three days and end with the

choice of the 1950 champion in

The High Point Panthers enter

the tournament in the Number

One seeded spot and as favorites

to cop the crown, which was won

last year by the Lenoir-Rhyne

Bears. The other seven teams to

contest the Panthers include Ca-

tawba, Lenoir-Rhyne, E.C.T.C.,

A.C.C., Guilford and Elon. West-

ern Carolina, the ninth team in

the Conference, failed to make

the grade this year, finishing last

The tournament goes to States-

ville this season for the first time.

in the regular season standings.

the finals on Saturday night.



I'm Telling You

By ROCCO SILEO

As in the past, Elon was well represented in state Golden Gloves tournaments which have been going on for the past three weeks. And once again multicolored shiners bear out the sincere and earnest efforts of our amateur battlers.

This year, footballers John Hurst, Roy Kelly and Ray Parker With forty-five men driving the 175-pound division, drew two team. byes and then lost out in the semi Mallory paid high tribute to the of a TKO.

Seems that the diminutive wel- A "new look" has been added to terweight was ahead on points the Elon offense, which promises

Embarrassing Incidents Departin the Western onference.

usual and prepared to meet the throng. However, his prepara-

windows for tickets and change.

The varsity cagers should be commended on their performances of late. In chalking up consec utive victories over Lynchburg, Eastern Carolina and Atlantic Christian, Coach Mathis' quintet has looked very impressive in its rejuvenation. Substitutes James Hamrick and Bobby Leigh have been instrumental in the success of the Christians. Their hustle and sparkling play on various occasions has inspired the regulars no end. Many say it is too late to worry now, but I feel it is never too late to cause a commotion. Four years ago, the Christians went into the tournament in the lower brackets. They had a great shot in Roney Cates but somehow were not even considered a threat. Yet when the smoke had cleared, the combination of Cates, Johnny Clayton, Warren Burns, Ed Drew and a few others brought home the North State Conference tourmament trophy to Elon.

approval of all.

Winter Grid Work Moves Ahead Nicely

sported the Maroon and Gold col- with all the spirit and ginger of ors in Burlington and Durham mid-autumn, Coach Jim Mallory tournaments. All three Fighting brands his winter football prac-Christians won in the "B" Town tice this year the best he has ever last week representing the Bur- had and, with characteristic Mallington AC against the Schoolfield lory optimism, expresses the hope AC and then went on to Durham. that Elon's Christians of 1950 will Here the young pugilists met with be a faster and more deceptive fair success. Kelly, fighting in aggregation than last year's fine

finals in a field of 107 leather-spirit of his boys, declaring that pushers. Parker, a middleweight he had "never seen a squad with lost his initial encounter, but better spirit in all the years of Hurst copped his first and was his coaching." He pointed to the well on his way to the semi-finals fact that most of the boys are when a unique accident forced playing in the off-season as if him out of action on the short end they loved it, where many squads take the winter work as drudgery.

when he caught a head butt from a more open and deceptive attack taking a definite brace in late-sea-nasium here on Wedensday night, F. Gaither (14) The head on collision dented his such stalwart performers as Armoth-piece and all but tore loose nold Melvin, Claude Gentry, weeks, two of them from Conferers won 52 to 50. After trailing the Durham Golden Gloves Tour-but they will probably be more Conference tournament. fun to watch.

ers on the squad have been show- Rhyne and Appalachian, the turn Elon (50) ment . . . Into each life must fall Blackstone and Len Greenwood burg invasion, which netter a 75- F. Gaither ing up exceptionally well. Bill of fortune came with the Lynch- F. Rakes embarrassments of one sort or another. Officials anticipated the have been showing plenty of stuff 73 overtime decision. This was C. Haithcox (5) other. Officials anticipated the largest turnout of the season at the new Memorial gymnasium on the flanks. Blackstone, a fresh-followed by wins over E.C.T.C. G. Cooper (9) the new Memorial gymnasium on the flanks. Blackstone, a fresh-followed by wins over E.C.T.C. G. Mondy (16) the new Memorial gymnasium Vees last fall, and he was re- 42 margin. A second loss to High Score at half: Appalachian 36, ruary 11th, when they swamped roints with Burlington and High Point leased from basketball to get the Point broke the string of wins. advantage of off-season grid Ira Upchurch, Elon's jack-of-all- work. Greenwood, a sophomore, The Christians took an unex- Kampman (5), Drew, Taylor (2), The Pirates invaded Elon fresh trades and ticket seller of late, saw much varsity service last year pected drubbing when they drop- Foster. Appalachian subs-Mast, from a victory over the high-flywent over to the gym earlier than and promises to be better next ped their first battle with Guil- Hope (1), Moir (4), Stephens (2).

stepping out of the booth he soon tackle, has been running in Mei- which the dopesters had given ies when they invaded Virginia to the way to victory. tearned that he had locked himself out and was without a key in savage power. Another youngster

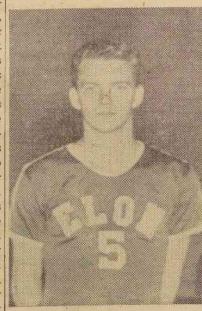
stepping out of the booth he soon tackle, has been running in their which the dopesters had given les when they invaded virginia to the head locked himmeet the Lynchburg five on Friday night, February 10th. Despite

The Christians were ahead 19 F. Rakes

The line-ups:

Gaither (13) I'm told the harassed Upchurch who has looked good is Lou Rospent the next half-hour or so in chelli, freshman tailback, who a state of confusion. While beg- may prove one of the offensive ging fellow students to search out spearheads. Bob Lewis, lanky end, a key, he attempted to go on with is missing the work because of an G. his job by reaching through the appendectomy, but he will be G. Mondy (12) a strong contender when he re-

SETTING FAST PACE



DAVE MONDY

Dave Mondy, slender sophomore forward, has been setting a fast pace in varsity basketball games during the past month Look for the annual Intramural having hit better than fifteen benefit game to be played in the points on a number of occasions near future. Last year the game, He had scored 215 points through which saw two all-star Intramural the High Point game last Thursteams collide, netted \$40 for the day night and has definitely March of Dimes and met with the placed himself as one of the better players in the Conference.

HIGH POINT NORTH STATE Second Game TOURNAMENT PAIRINGS Thurs. Night A. C. C. Second Game Fri. Night **ELON** Second Game Thurs. P. M. **CATAWBA** Sat. Night E. C. T. C. Champions First Game Thurs. P. M. LENOIR-RHYNE First Game GUILFORD Fri. Night First Game Thurs. Night **APPALACHIAN**

Conference Cage Meet Will Start Tomorrow

VARSITY CAGE SCHEDULE Elon 36, Carolina 57. Elon 57, Eatmons 36. Elon 47, Elkin "Y" 32.

Elon 55, McCrary 67. Elon 46, Elkin "Y" 36. Elon 29, Hanes 51. Elon 62, A. C. C. 65. Elon 44, E.C.T.C. 56. Elon 57, Catawba 66. Elon 66, Hanes 83.

Elon 44, Camp Lejeune 61. Elon 48, Appalachian 78. Elon 52, Lenoir-Rhyne 55. Elon 46, Catawba 62. Elon 50, W.C.T.C. 40. Elon 72, W.C.T.C. 50.

Elon 51, High Point 75. Elon 52, Guilford 66. Elon 52, Lenoir-Rhyne 55. Elon 50, Appalachian 52. Elon 75, Lynchburg 73. Elon 54, E.C.T.C. 30.

Elon 64, High Point 90. (Remaining Games) Feb. 18.—Guilford here.

C. Tart, R. Tart, Stroud.

HIGH POINT 90, ELON 64

day night, February 16th. This

game broke a three-game win

Elon 82, A.C.C. 42. with games scheduled to be played in the new community gymnasium there. The big meet has been held in Elkin's Gilvin Roth Y.M.C.A. for the past two years, Feb. 20.-McCrary here.

The tournament will be played under the sponsorship of the Statesville Junior Chamber of Commerce, which has been busy. for the past two months laying plans for the event. The final plans were laid at a meeting of the coaches, athletic directors and Hudson (11) G. Mondy (10) Allsbrook (7) other officials from the various Mallory (30) Score at half: Elon 29, A.C.C. colleges, which was held in the Vance Hotel at Statesville last WeWst (4) Elon subs—Hamrick (2), Kamp- Friday night.

Fooutz (2) man (7), Drew (10), Foster (3), The tournament play will get Score at half: Elon 33, Lynch- Leigh (1), Gane (3), A.C.C. subs underway tomorrow with four -Coggins, Boykin, Ingraham (3), games, two of them in the afternoon and the other two at night. The semi-finals will be played on The Elon cagers caught High Friday night, and the two surviving teams will meet in the final. Point on another hot night and dropped a 90 to 64 decision in a championship contest on Satur-

Driving Hard In Late Season . . .

Elon Takes Three Straight

After losing three consecutive end. Several of the younger play- battles to Guilford, Lenoir-

GUILFORD 66, ELON 52

ford on the Quakers' home court

Gaither (6) Drew (3) Cooper (15) Score at half: Elon 28, Guilford victory in an overtime period. The line-ups:

Elon subs—Haithcox (6), Kamp- Elon (75) man, Jones, Taylor (1), Leigh (1), Foster, Gane, Hamrick. Guilford TOURNAMENT BOUND C. Haithcox (10) subs-Woodall (1), Venable (4), Coward (6).

LENOIR-RHYNE 55, ELON 52 Plans to avenge an early loss to Lenoir-Rhyne went wrong when the Christians dropped a 55

to 52 engagement to the Bears on ehe home court here on Tuesday night, February 7th. It was the identical same score by which the Lutherans had won the first game in Hickory. The battle proved close all the way, with the two teams knotted at 27-all at half-The line-ups:

Elon (52) Lenoir-Rhyne (55) F. Rakes (10) Kantorski (3) F. Cooper (6) Sellari (2) C. Drew (3) Bost (10) G. Mondy (15) Wells (21) G. Leigh Neighbors (7) Score at half: Elon 27, Lenoir-Rhyne 27.

Elon subs-Gaither (4), Jones, Kampman, Haithcox (6), Taylor (6), Myers, Hamrick, Foster (2). Lenoir-Rhyne subs - Willis (8), Pawlak (4), Cashwell.

far when Elon met the Appalach- meet at Statesville this week. |G. Cooper (12)

his opponents flush on the kisser. this coming autumn. The loss of son play, chalked up three conference of this coming autumn. The loss of son play, chalked up three conference of the Mountainsecutive wins within the last two fell barely short as the Mountaina couple of choppers, spelling fin-Claude Manzi and others means ence teams, and the reversal of 36 to 24 at half-time, the Christi- G. Foster (6) is to Hurst's ambitions of copthat the Chritsians may not pack form enabled Coach Doc Mathis' ans pulled up strong in the late quite as much power as last fall, men to clinch their berth in the minutes, and the score was knot-burg 30. ted 48-48 two minutes before the

The line-ups: Causey (13)

Elon 24.

ELON 75, LYNCHBURG 73

tion went for naught, for upon Ed Watkins, a husky junior by a 66 to 52 score, losing a game first of three consecutive victor-Hall (18) three first-strigners at home to defense in the final half to avenge Ferrell (6) Christians chalked up a 75 to 73 minutes of the second half.

The line-ups:



COACH DOC MATHIS tians, is tournament bound this second half. week with his squad. The Elon The line-ups: basketeers failed to make the Elon (82) grade for the North State Tourna- F. Rakes (8) ment at Elkin last season, but a F. Gaither (7) APPALACHIAN 52, ELON 50 late season spurt has assured them C. Haithcox (19)
Victory was so close and yet so of one of the eight berths for the

Holland (15) 22.

G. Leigh (13)

Elon subs-Hall (3), Jones (2), Martin (1), Nester, Owen, Joyce (3), Myers. Lynchburg subs -Appalachian (52) Milam (8), Broadus, Gordon. ELON 54, E.C.T.C. -30

The Christians pulled an upset Hunt (11) that reverberated from one end Martin (10) of the North State Conference to Wey the other on Saturday night, Febthe E.C.T.C. Pirates 54 to 30 in a points. Elon subs-Hamrick (13), Jones, game in Alumni Gymnasium here. ing High Point Panthers the night before, but they were cold as a

Guilford (66) the fact that Coach Mathis kept really got hot on both offense and coach Mathis kept defense in the final half to avenge C. Cooper (8) Cartwright (6) Jay-Vee title in the North State Johns (11) rest for the next night's Confer- an early season loss to the Pir- G. Mondy (10) Pryor (8) Conference. ence battle with E.C.T.C., and ates at Greenville. On defense Score at half: High Point 36, The youngsters, most of whom Wright (11) Coach Mathis himself stayed at the Elon cagers held E.C.T.C. Elon 27. Ralls (9) home with a sore throat, the without a field goal for fourteen Elon subs — Hamrick (13), an average of 55.4 points per game

Elon (54) Lynchburg (73) F. Rakes (1) F. Gaither (5) Russell (6) Fennell (3) G. Cooper (9) Bauer (6) G. Mondy (8) Thrift (1) Score at half: Elon 19, E.C.T.C.

Elon subs- Kampman, Gena (1), Hamrick (8), Taylor (,)2Leigh (7), Foster. E.C.T.C. subs—Tanner, R. Blake (2), J. Blake (2), Collie (7), Guthrie (2).

ELON 82, A.C.C. 42

Elon hit the hottest pace of the season in chalking up an overwhelming 82 to 42 victory over the A.C.C. Bulldogs here on Tuesday night, February 14th. The win was the third straight for Coach Mathis' boys and also avenged an early season 65-63 loss to the Bulldogs in Wilson. The Christians gained a six-

point advantage at 8-2 in the first five minutes and maintained Coach Doc Mathis, who is wind- that lead to a 29-22 margin at ing up his first season as cage half-time, but the flood gates of Towering Don Haithcox is well mentor for the Fighting Chris- Elon scoring really opened in the out in front among the scorers on

Don Haithcox chipped in 16 points to pace the Elon attack, follewed by Larry Gaither and Dave The Jay-Vee basketball squad,

Mondy. Leonard Hunt, at ecnter up to and including its 60-31 vicfor High Point, poured in 31 tory over Guilford here last Tueson Saturday night, February 4th, The Christians hung up their wedge and could never threaten points to lead the game scoring. The line-ups:

Elon (64)

E.C.T.C. (30) Fisher, Mobley (2), Draper (5), 43.6 points per game. Everton (1) Embler (5).

LEADING SCORER



DON HAITHCOX

the Fighting Christian cage squad and in the top brackets in the A.C.C. (42) North State Conference. The big Glazer (8) boy from Guilford College had hit B. Tart (7) for 265 points through the High Point game of last Thursday, and Sugg (12) Point game of the suggestion of the su Haselden (5) top the 300 mark for the season. Cutchins 1 0 0

battle at High Point last Thurs- day night. J-V Cagers

> teen wins against only four losses High Point (90) for the season, and indications Waiz (21) were that the Baby Christians Joyce (12) might close their season with a more or less clear claim to the

are first-year players, had hit for Kampman, Drew, Leigh (2), Gane in their first seventeen games. (2), Foster. High Point subs _ Meanwhile, they were holding their opponents ton an average of

Husky Hall, slender freshman from Fieldale, Va., was topping the individual offensive work through the Guilford game with a total of 152 points in 15 games for an average of better than 10 points per game. Carl Jones, Maynard Nester and Bob Taylor trailed him in that order. The individual scores for the Jay-Vee game through February 14th fol-

Name	G	FG	FT	TF
Hall	15	65	22	152
Jones	13	43	17	103
Nester	15	41	11	93
Taylor	14	32	25	89
Joyce	14	32	14	78
Hamrick	14	27	20	74
Leigh	11	23	13	59
Martin	11	18	21	57
Myers	14	23	- 1	47
White	13	20	2	42
Owen	10	18	3	39
Blackstone	9	11	5	27
Rakes	2	9	3	21
Robertson	15	6	7	19
Lewis	1	5	0	10
Gaither	. 1	4	1	9
Foster	4	3	1	7
Bailey ,	12	2	2	6
Craven		0	0	0
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