

Quakes Lose Closing Class Game to Durham

The Quakes went down in defeat in the season's night cap game with Durham Hi Friday nite, February 20, in Durham by the score of 38-18.

The locals played hard and were much the better team as far as physical and mechanical power goes, but they were a bit weak on defense and organization. Liles was the outstanding Quake on the floor, and it was thru his star playing that the Quakes were able to make a good showing. Don't get the idea that Liles was the only Quake that was Quaking, for he he was not. Hawley, Hooks, and Shannan did some pretty nifty playing on the offense but were unable to make the baskets count as two points.

At the end of the first half the Durhamites were holding a 18-12 lead, and in the second half they more than doubled their lead while Quakes were collecting a measly six points. Liles led the Quakes in the tallying with nine points to his credit.

For the Durham team Skinner, a diminutive forward, and Tilly, veteran guard, were the aces. Tilly was high point man with 18 points by his name.

ROCKY MOUNT WHIPS QUAKES

Rocky Mount took the Quakes into camp Thursday nite before the Durham game by a 26-16 score. This game was played in Rocky Mount and it was full of action from the start. The locals started out in the first of the game looking as if they were going to take the Blackbirds into camp but the Blackbirds had another plan of their own about the game. At half time the locals were trailing behind a 19-14 lead that Rocky Mount had gathered in the final minutes of first half play.

Liles again was the defensive star but Hooks took offensive Laurels and tied Liles six-all for high point collectorship. These two lads played real ball but it takes five men working together all the game to win and this was what the locals lacked the whole season—team work.

For the Blackbirds Thurman was hi-point man with 10 points to his credit; he and Brothers were the stars of the Black and Gold team.

SMITHFIELD DEFEATS LOCALS

On Tuesday nite, February 17, the locals dropped a hot non-class game to Smithfield by a 26-22 verdict on the local court.

Honeycutt was the Smithfield ace scoring 18 points for his outfit while doing this "Earthquake taming act." This lad got plenty bad in last half and rang up the tallies from all angles. Honeycutt was given good support by Norton and Johnson.

Liles led the locals in scoring by collecting 8 points. In the closing minutes of play "Plug" Wilson was sent in for "Coo" Merritt. This lad got hot, rang up four points, and it looked as if he were going to start a rally but the timer's whistle "nipped it in the bud."

RALEIGH STOPS QUAKES

On Thursday nite, February 12, the Quake bowed to the strong quint of Raleigh Hi in Raleigh by the score of 43-13.

This game was a fast contest and plenty interesting even tho locals were behind from the first minutes of the play until the final whistle closed the game. Rand was the big shot of the Cap Club in scoring and defensive play. This lad scored 20 points for his club, clinching the high-scoring honors. He was given good assistance by his entire outfit and specially by Jacobs, diminutive guard.

Liles again led the Quake attack in every phase of the game and scored nine of the local's 13 points.

QUAKES TAKE IN FAYETTEVILLE

On Friday night February 6, the Quakes scored their only win in class A circles by defeating the quint from Fayetteville Hi on the local court by a 19-17 decision. The locals played the best game they played the whole season. This was the first conference game that Liles had played, and he surely did his stuff. In the final minutes when the score was deadlocked at 17, Liles tossed the aggett into the net-covered hole for a doubleton that won the game. Liles took the scoring honors with 13 of the total 19 points to his credit. Hooks and Hawley along with "Long Coo" Merritt did the defensive work that spelled defeat for Fayetteville.

SPORTTRAITS

By RALPH GIDDENS

By IDDYGAY

—Well, folks, here we are again scribbling some sense (?) and some (?) nonsense. Being as how yo'all are always looking for the funny side of life, I will try to please. All I have to say is that if I had a certain campaign business manager and the campaign man himself in a vacant room—magazine prices might go down (or up).—

—That "Whiskers" Liles is a bad lad. He can shoot goals like nobody's business. If he shoots a "line" like he can shoot doubtons, he should be a hot lover. (Omeeday essay emay, Enry Hay).

—"Plug" Wilson "got hot" in that Smithfield game and near 'bout starred. He's good—he knows he's good—but Tommy says he's a "plug" giver, so he can't say much.

—Well, folks, we all am goin' to fit in Ky Mount. Ef de poiper am out 'fore we fit yo' all cin read about it in the Noos Argus. Ef I get whirped (which ain't so empossible) yo' all will haf to get a noo sports writer.—

—Well, (again) spring football is on the menu for about three weeks now and then comes the grand ole' game uf baseball. This year's nine should be good. All the players are lettermen but about four and these places will not be hard to fill—

—It looks as tho' Monk won't be able to play. If this is so then the locals will have a hard time filling this place. Monk can pitch or play short stop and when it comes to hitting the pill out for a run, he can maul like Abe Linfor a run, he can maul like "Abe" Lincoln could maul logs.—(No disrespect to "Abe").

—Well Roy Parker got good to the aspiring "Bill Tildens" and built two new courts over in the park, making a total of five in all. He also rebuilt the old ones.—See you soon—

A New Boxing Team Has Been Organized By Coach Bullock

Mr. Bullock has announced that he has organized a boxing team full of pep and vitality to meet Rocky Mount there tonight. The team is composed mostly of the remnants of the first boxing team organized this year. The main contenders for various classes is as follows:

- 95—Corbett; Ham
- 105—Baddour
- 115—Dewey; J. Denmark; E. Eutsler
- 125—Wilksenson; Lewis; Bill Ward
- 135—R. Langston; Glisson
- 145—Giddens; Romanus; Stallings
- 155—Rice Pannell.

The team has had little experience, but our hopes are high. It has the support of the whole high school, and we hope that it will bring back the honors.

Concerning the Ground Hog

On February 2 "The News and Observer" carried the following feature story on Ground Hog Day:

Since the early Christian era, February 2 has been the day of weather prognostication.

This is Candlemas Day.

And centuries before the groundhog poked his snout outside his burrow into farme, the Old World used this feast day of the "Purification of the Blessed Virgin" to predict that:

"If Chadlemas Day be fair and

"If Chadlemas Day be fair and clear, "There'll be two winters in the year.

"If Candlemas Day be wet and foul, "The half o' winter's gone at Yule."

Even the old Romans knew this day. Their prophecies were made amidst the flickers of candles lighted in honor of the Goddess Februa, mother of Mars.

Over all Europe, fine weather on this day omened unseasonably cold days and crop failures. Foul weather foretold a bright and early spring.

In Germany, the saying was:

"The shepherd would rather see the wolf enter his stable on Candlemas Day than the sun."

Dog failed to recognize Montclair owner after barber had removed his whiskers and bit him in the leg.—"Better Muzzle Than Barber."

—Spice of Life.

Methodist Orphanage

On January 30, our team went out with the determination to hold down those Methodist Orphanage girls. K. Liles, high scorer, was splendidly assisted by Bridgers and Best, while the guards played a mighty good game, too. And let me tell you our visitors from the Methodist Orphanage could certainly play basketball. They beat us by 56-5, and we're mighty glad it wasn't any worse. It won't be long now before we play 'em again;—so be sure to keep a watch out for us 'cause we're going to do some fine playing. Just watch and see.

Mount Olive

Well, team let's be sure to do better work in our future games than we did in the Mount Olive game. They beat us pretty badly, especially since they came from such a small town. K. Liles was again top scorer, assisted by our old faithfuls, Bridgers and Best.

Fayetteville

It seems at one minute the "Lady Quakes" get "balled" out and the next minute they get complimented for such good playing, but they certainly need lots o' complimenting for the great work in the Fayetteville game. Every lady played "swell" and especially our guards. They were just fine, all over the floor; you could hardly keep your eyes on 'em!!! Keep up the good work.

As for the forwards, they did mighty fine playing, too. Bridgers and Best were top scorers in the game, while "K" Liles did some good soring too. The final score was 35-30. But we played such a good game that we're well satisfied with everything. Just watch us from now on!!

AN OPEN FORUM

February 20, 1931.

Dear Editor,

I think it would be a good idea to add another period onto the school routine, letting this hour be a study-period. Many students carry home two or three books, intending to study them; however, for some reason or other, the books usually remain exactly where they were put until the next morning. My study-period is at the end of the day, and personally, I am sorry when the bell rings, because I would like so well to finish my lessons and not have to worry over them at night. I think a change should be made, if not for this year, for next, and I think that the majority of the students share my opinion.

If there are any objections to this, will the objecting party please write a letter for this column?

Sincerely,
Florence Baker.

Among the many Scotch jokes, there is this one:

A Scotchman was standing on the corner with a loaf of bread under his arm waiting for traffic jam.—If he wanted a lot of jam he should come up to G. H. S. about 12 o'clock. Think he wouldn't get it?

Two New Tennis Courts to Greet Tennis Hopefuls

During the last two weeks I am sure we have all at one time or another, indirectly, if not directly, gotten a strong whiff (or maybe your whiff was delicate—mine wasn't) of tar. If you haven't received this whiff yet, then there's something seriously wrong with you. Better see your doctor tomorrow! Oh yes, that's right! This is the season for colds, grip, flu, pneumonia, or what have you! Since your ailment may be only double pneumonia, I wouldn't let a little thing like that cramp my style!

Well, to get back again, this whiff isn't merely a whiff! It means something! It means that our "across-the-street neighbors, the tennis courts, are getting attention, and plenty of it! At last, the city's giving both the unemployed and the courts a break!

Yep! It won't be long now until we can gaze across from our "front porch" (if I may call it that) to behold five well-kept courts (four dirt, one cement) enclosed in by wiring all around. Maybe that sounds like one of Grimm's fairy tales or Ripley's "Believe-it-or-not." Nevertheless K's true, or will be in a short time!

So students, let's get some ambition to learn to play tennis, so that we can appreciate those courts. Then, too, we should have quite a few candidates for the tennis team to represent G. H. S. at Chapel Hill.

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