

Coach Lundy Begins 17th Year At RMHS

Coach C. V. (Bill) Lundy heads into his 17th season as basketball head coach of the Rocky Mount

Blackbirds and with 16 bygone seasons, the Erwin, Tennessee native has compiled a highly

successful record for himself and for Rocky Mount Senior High School.

Lundy, who is also the Athletic Director at Senior High, has piloted 16 Blackbird cage teams, starting back in 1946, for an outstanding 178-93 record. Included in that record is one state 4-A runner-up and three third place finishes in the state.

The southern-drawling 47 year-old cage coach was born in Erwin, Tennessee, and after attending East Tennessee State College, where he played basketball for four years, he started his coaching career in his hometown in 1938.

Lundy stayed at Erwin High for four years, each year winning the conference title. Joining the Navy in 1942, he piloted the Arkansas A&M College cage team for two years and in that time ran up an amazing 39-6 record.

Leaving the Navy in 1946, Lundy came to Rocky Mount, and with great success he has remained. Rocky Mount has suffered only five losing seasons since Lundy came here.

Commenting on some of his best teams, Lundy said, "of course I would have to say that last year's squad which went further than any Rocky Mount basketball team in the school's history, is one of the best I've

ever coached. "My 1954 team, which won the conference championship and finished third in the state, was another real fine team. The team, headed by Joe Lancaster, compiled the best overall record I've enjoyed at Senior High.

In talking about individual stars he has coached Lundy said, "It would be impossible to name one boy as the best I've ever coached. If I had to name what I consider as the best five boys I've coached, excluding boys now playing, they would be Don Stallings at center, Joe Lancaster and Charlie Landen at forwards, Haywood Evans and Harold Gilbert at guards."



Rocky Mount Blackbirds To Travel To Virginia For Two Cage Clashes

Rocky Mount's Senior High Blackbirds journey December 14th to Roanoke, Virginia to play a basketball twin bill.

The first game puts the Birds against Patrick Henry High School of Roanoke. Number two on the slate is William Fleming High School.

The Birds, at a disadvantage this go-round with only three experienced seniors returning to the squad. Danny Talbott, Rocky Mount's ace ballhawk, will play with only two weeks of

practice because of his role in the Shrine Bowl game. Another blow to the team is the loss of its only experienced center, Harold Earnhardt. Harold is out with a sprained ankle. However, all is not gloomy. Defensive wise, Robert Ricks, star of last year's tournament in Greensboro, returns to hamper opponents in the backcourt. Steady point returner, Tom Parrish, joins the team this season to assist in placing the margin of points on the Rocky Mount side of the scoreboard



TALBOTT FOR TWO—Danny Talbott adds two points to the Birds score in the closing minutes of the opening loss to Kinston. (PhotobyKillebrew)

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