Gryphs Win Division Crown

RM vs. Bertie

RMSH came from 10 points down early in the fourth quarter to take a thrilling double overtime victory over Bertie Central. The double overtime score was 65-64. The win pushed the Gryphon's record to 11-5. The Gryphons rallied to tie the game at 55-all at the final buzzer. Both teams scored 6 points in the first overtime. RMSH scored four points to take the victory in the final overtime.

RMSH was paced by Phil Ford with 27. Jeff Collins added 12. Ben Pullman scored 18 for Bertie. RM vs Fike

RMSH Gryphons suffered their first conference loss to Wilson 83-52 when they traveled to Wilson. The loss dropped the Gryphs record to 5-1 in the conference and 13-6 overall. The Titans record is 9-7. The Gryphons only led twice the entire game. Fike dominated the game leading 37-25 at half time and poured it on in the second half.

Phil Ford led the Gryphs losing cause with 35. Thomas Blue had 28 points for the Titans. William Plyler added

RM vs Greenville Rose

RMSH defeated Greenville Rose 62-56 when they traveled to Greenville. Jarvis Moore and Phil Ford led the victorious Gryphs with 22 and 21 points. Herb Bynum had 22 for the Rampants. The win pushed RMSH record to 6-1 in the conference and 14-6 overall.

The Gryphons jumped off to a 23-12 first quarter lead and led 35-24 at intermission. The Rampants outscored the Gryphs 32 - 27 in the second half but it wasn't enough.

RM vs Northeastern

RMSH by winning a 84-82 overtime contest over Northeastern assured them of a first round bye in the Conference tournament. For the Gryphs it was an uphill battle all the way. The Gryphons trailed 43-40 at intermission but came roaring back in the

second half and overtime to win. RM record is 15-6 while Northeastern dropped to 14-5.

Phil Ford poured in a season high of 52. Joe Jones added 16 points. Martin Towe led the Eagles with 30.

RM vs Bertie

RMSH clinched the division I crown with a 57-55 overtime victory. The victory pushed the Gryphons record to 16-6 overall and 8-1 in the conference. Bertie has the record of 12-8 and 7-2 in the conference.

Rocky Mount was down 33-31 at intermission but battled back in the second half. Phil Ford led the Gryphs with 31 points. Alfonzo Ruffin scored 18 points for the Falcons.

RM vs Northern Nash

The Rocky Mount Gryphons ended the regular season on a winning note with 86-70 thrashing of rival Northern Nash. The win made RMSH record 17-6 overall and 9-1 in the conference action. Northern's Nash record is 2-

19 at the regular season end. The Gryphs had a 42-33 half time lead and out ran the Knights to victory. Phil Ford poured in 43 points and Thomas Lancaster had 18. Vernon Cheeks had 18 for the Knights.



The Grapplers From RMSH have proven them-selves in compiling the Grapplers 7-6-1 record this season, competed in the Eastern 4A Division I

Wrestling Tournament.

Donald Farmer and Peter Tapia earned the title of Champion in their weight classes. Many other RMSH Grapplers placed in the Competition.

Eatman second place Dunbar fourth place Avent third place Jordan second place Dawes second place Clark fourth place Kirkman fourth place Wilson fourth place Wiggins second place

who can do you a favor, you have a good head for living. If you're nice to someone

If you're nice to someone who cant do you a favor, you have a good heart for living.



Northern defenders try to stop Phil, but Ford has a better idea (Photo by Kent Murray)

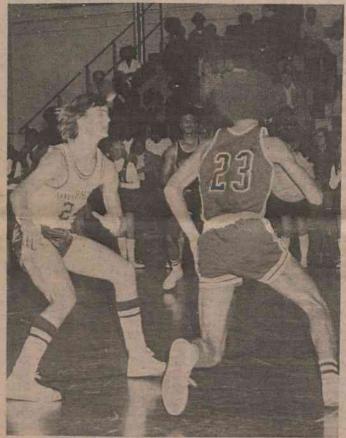
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Doug Henley illustrates that "Defense is the name of the game." (Photo by Kent Murray)

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