

# A LOOK AT OUR TEAMS -

Girls' Basketball Coach Fred Brady, at his weekly press conference, discussed his team and the coming season. He stated his girls "would do better" this year. That is more readily understood if the record of last year's squad is considered (0-21). Brady further stated, "This team has more speed. Playing at home this year will also help."

When asked about the "roving player" rule change which states that each team shall have a roving (May travel on both ends of the court) guard and forward, Brady said, "This may affect us. The first games will be confusing." There is no back court ball in girls' basketball and this year it is legal to slap the ball from the hands of an opponent.

Brady remarked that Loretta Gray at guard and Diane Thompson at forward are showing up well. Freshman Barbara Holt was commended. When asked who would hold down the "roving" position he said it would probably be Gray and either Thompson or Linda Wallace. He is also working with Nancy Bruton, Debbie East, and Sharon Batten. The 1962-63 West Montgomery Girls' Basketball squad consists of four freshman, four sophomores, four juniors, and three seniors. Tri-captains elected recently were the senior members: Sarah Ingram, Nancy Bruton, and Loretta Gray.

Coach Alan White of the boys' group announced he is "really pleased with the improvement which has been

shown." He says, "There has been a definite improvement since beginning work and I am well satisfied."

White was reluctant to name outstanding individual stars. He did remark that "as far as shooting accuracy goes, Charles Bruton and Charles Crouch seem to be best. From what I have been able to observe, Gene Pridgen and Jim Harris are best on defense."

White further acknowledged that he was "very unfamiliar with the conference" and would make no predictions. "I don't know what the teams have back or what they lost, as far as I'm concerned, anybody can win."

This year, of the dozen carried on the varsity, two are seniors, four are juniors, five are sophomores, and there is a freshman (for variety.) Seniors Fincher Jarrell and Jim Harris were chosen captains by their teammates.

## J. V. Preview

Coach Bill Merritt, leader of West's vaunted Junior Varsity basketball squad, was very optimistic at his weekly press luncheon. He would not go into detail but gave the impression that a satisfactory record would be compiled this year. He definitely stated, "We plan to win. We have ball players who are looking pretty good. They hustle real well."

Merritt, who along with Nelson Black of the Industrial Arts Department, works with both the boys'

and girls' teams, had words of praise for the female athletics. He expounded, "They are shaping up, looking real good. Shaping up real good. We have some fine ball players." He admitted that the "roving player" rule was "confusing to the girls and pretty complicated."

Merritt said that the schedule had been set and that the games probably would be played at night although, on this point, he was vague. He said that no captains had been selected by either team, but this would probably be done later.

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Big People moved boxes, futively, from one closet to another and slipped through the rich, heavy air of the kitchen with arms piled high. Mysterious rustlings of paper came from the bedroom, and joyous, secret laughs.

At mid-day came the mailman, all burdened down but smiling, hands full of gay cards and packages. "Is it cold enough for you?" And: "Darling, who are Eliza, Jack, and Doodles?"

Somehow, in the short frigid days, the pieces fell together. The bonus check appeared to tide the family safely across the yawning chasm till January first. At school the Christmas pageant was a booming success--with sniffly-nosed children, singing, "round John, virgin."

Hear those bells?

They're ringing.

--Greensboro Daily News

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West-Seagrove game December 18, 1962

West-46 Seagrove-42

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