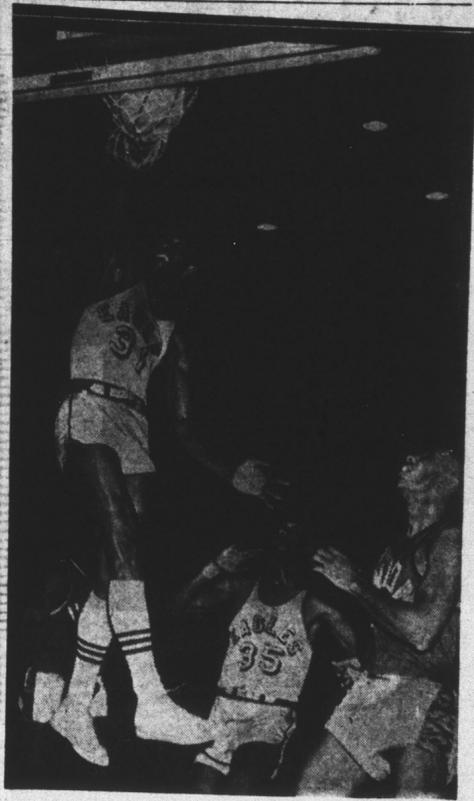


St. Aug. Tops Shaw, 91-90 Here



A FLYING EAGLE — Ted Manning, North Carolina College's leading rebounder, leaps high and "dunks" a score in the Eagles' recent 83-76 win over the Virginia Union Panthers. The hustling Panthers overcame a 16-point first-half deficit to knot the score 66-all at game's end, pushing the contest into an overtime period.

Bears Were Leading At Half-Time

Saint Augustine's College's Falcons topped the Shaw University Bears 91-90 on the winners' court Saturday January 18. The game began at 8 p.m. in Emery Health and Fine Arts Center.

The Bears lead at half-time by a score of 38-25. Dwight Midgett of Durham fired the winning points for the Falcons with two seconds remaining. Midgett was the game's highest scorer with 23 points. Jack Wadley of Miami tallied 20 points and pulled down 35 rebounds.

George Williams and George Ratcliff hit 14 points each for the Falcons. Ira Mitchell tallied 18 points for the Bears.

BEATING THE GUN

BY BILL BROWER

ST. LOUIS (ANP)—The National Basketball Association is blessed with playmakers, even if the celebrated Bob Cousy has departed the college coaching ranks.

Oscar Robertson any way had just about succeeded Cousy as the top man on the totem pole in assists. And the versatile Cincinnati Royals' star, considered by many the best in the game for all-around skill, is leading the league in the department this season.

Veteran Guy Rodgers, of San Francisco Warriors, is regarded as second to the "Big O".

But one of the most polished playmakers is Len Wilkens, the southpaw backliner with the St. Louis Hawks. As quarterback of the Hawks, he is being credited with being largely responsible for the team's surge in trying to regain supremacy from the Los Angeles Lakers in the NBA's western division.

As the NBA schedule reached the midpoint, Wilkens had notched 192 scoring passes in 39 games for a 4.9 average. Of course, this is more than 50 per cent under Robertson's 10.2 average on 40 in 406 games.

But there is an explanation for the bulge. Wilkens' teammate, Richie Guerin, has 183 in 41 games for a 4.5 average. In the case of the Royals, Robertson is the dominant feeder. In the case of the Hawks, Wilkens not only gets help from Guerin, but he receives it from a pair of tan teammates, Charlie Vaughn and John Barnhill.

Wilkens, named the most valuable player in National Invitational Tournament four years ago, is in his third full season with the Hawks. His first was in the 1960-61 season. The next campaign he only saw part-time service since he was in the army. Last season he returned to gain regular status. But he was a bit confused under his new coach, Harry Gallatin.

"Before I went into the army," he said, "the Hawks had changed their offense to give the guards more chance to score. When Harry took over the club, however, he felt that our best bet was to play to the big man up front whenever possible. Because I missed the exhibition games, wasn't quite sure what I should do."

But the Hawks' backbone developed so rapidly that Gallatin decided to let guards play a different role in the attack. So Wilkens is the third leading scorer on the Hawks' with 406 points for a 12.4 average at the season-end of his final half.

One of the deft ball handler's ardent supporters is his wife, Marilyn, like Len a native New Yorker. They have a six-month-old daughter, Leatha.

But Marilyn doesn't pretend that she married the backcourt ace because of his athletic ability.

Jim Gilliam Gets Pay Hike After Best Season

GILLIAM GETS SALARY HIKE LOS ANGELES (ANP)—Jim "Junior" Gilliam, the Dodgers "Jack-of-all Trades" who had one of his finest seasons in the majors last year, last week signed his 1964 baseball contract with the world champion Los Angeles Dodgers for a reported \$29,000.

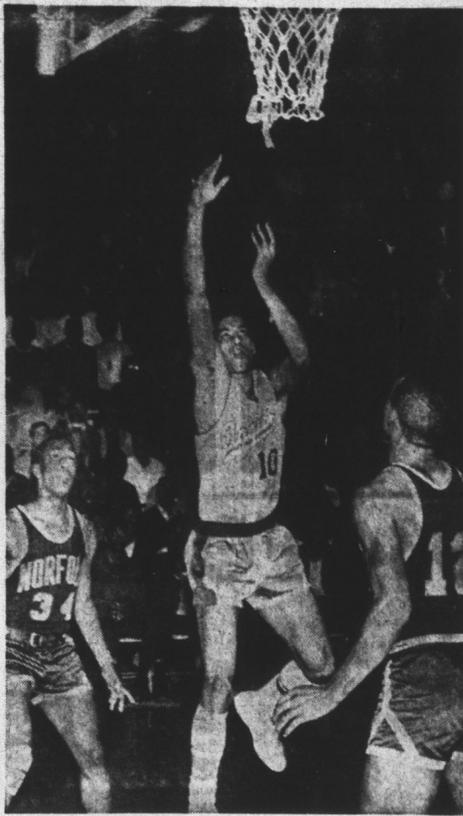
The \$29,000 represents a raise of \$3,000 over Gilliam's 1963 salary, estimated at \$26,000.

Actually, Gilliam and Dodger vice-president and general manager, E. J. "Boss" Bavest, jumped the gun with the contract signing. Jim is one of the first Dodgers to sign this way.

"Jim was in the office, preparatory to a trip to New York, so we got our business settled immediately."

Gilliam last year had his finest season since 1959. He batted .323 (identical to his 1959 mark) for 148 games, after he had started the season on the bench and seemed destined for utility duty. He went on to star in the Dodgers World Series win over the New York Yankees.

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"SNOW BIRDS" — George Mack (10), playmaker for the A&T College Aggies, slips in for a "snow bird" layup and two points against the Norfolk State College Spartans in a CIAA basketball game played at Greensboro last week. Standing by for rebound are: John Bradley (34) and Robert Brown (12), Spartan players. A&T won the thriller, 51-50.

3,000 Cheering Fans See A&T College Aggies Edge Norfolk State Five, 51-50

GREENSBORO—The A&T College Aggies last week avenged an earlier defeat by edging the Norfolk State College Spartans, 51-50, in a CIAA basketball game here at the Charles Moore Gymnasium.

More than 3,000 fans witnessed the cliff-hanger, a tight defensive struggle which saw the lead change hands 11 times in the final seven minutes of play.

The low, total score for both teams was a sort of record for Moore Gymnasium. Not since the emporium was built 10 years ago have the Aggies and

their opponents scored as few as 101 points.

The fired up Virginians, who had defeated the Aggies in Norfolk the week before, jumped off to an 8-3 lead and held it through most of the first stanza. A&T mustered a scoring rally and closed the gap to two points at the end of the half, behind at 22-24.

Knitting the count, 24-all, on the first play in the second period, A&T played catchup for the next 11 minutes.

The Aggies went ahead for good with 3:50 left in the ball



WILT CHAMBERLAIN IN ACTION—Shown above is a scene from the 14th Annual NBA All-Star Game. Jerry Lucas of the East team (16) doesn't look very happy after big Wilt Chamberlain of the West used his long arms to knock ball away in the second quarter of the All-Star game at Boston Garden last week. The East defeated the West by a score of 111-101. (UPI PHOTO)



SPORTS AWARD RECIPIENTS—Awardrecipients Harry Markson (left), managing director of Madison Square Garden, New York, and welterweight champion Emile Griffith of the Virgin Islands, display trophies presented them at the Boxing Writers' Association's annual dinner at the Americana Hotel there January 12th. Markson received the James J. Walker Memorial Award and Griffith received the Edward J. Neil Memorial Award. (UPI PHOTO).

Local Action Set For Sat. Night:

State School Cagers To Entertain Eagles Of Virginia State School

The State School for the Blind and the Deaf on Garner Road in Raleigh will host the Virginia State School for the Blind and the Deaf of Hampton, Virginia on Saturday, January 25.

A basketball game between the "Eagles" of the Virginia State School and the "Greyhounds" of the State School will begin at 8 p. m. Highlighting the game will be the performance of the two schools'

bands, while dazzling displays of acrobatics will be given by the girls of both cheering squads.

Local coach W. J. "Billy" Nelson's charges will be sparred by Ronald Smith and Reginald Miles, who have been hitting in double figures all season. Lending strong rebounding support have been Robert Walker, James Scott, and Frederick McEachern. William

Thompson has added the "extra" effort which gives strength was needed. The Greyhounds have a 10-4 record with two games remaining before the Virginia Game.

The team from the sister school has apparently had a good season up to this time, for it is comparable to the public schools in its area, in the won-lost column.

The Hampton team is coached by Edward A. Pearson.

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