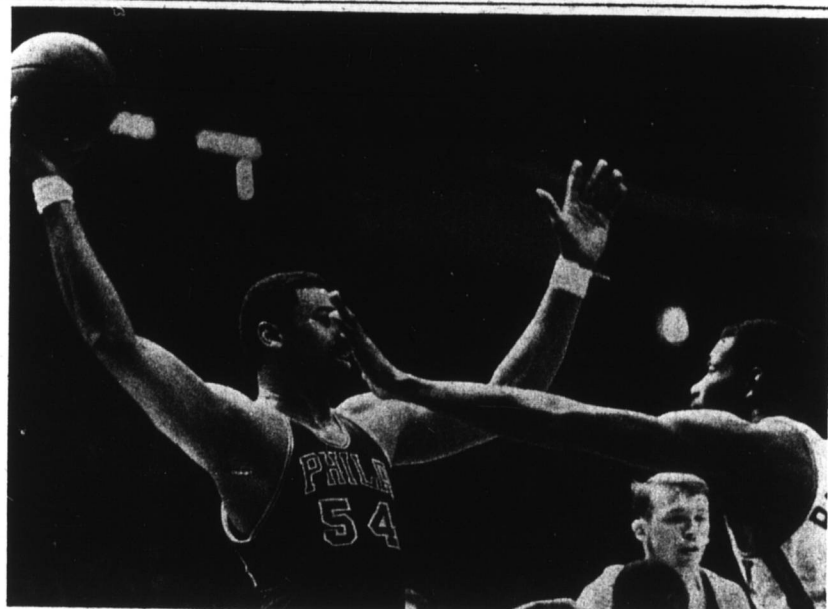
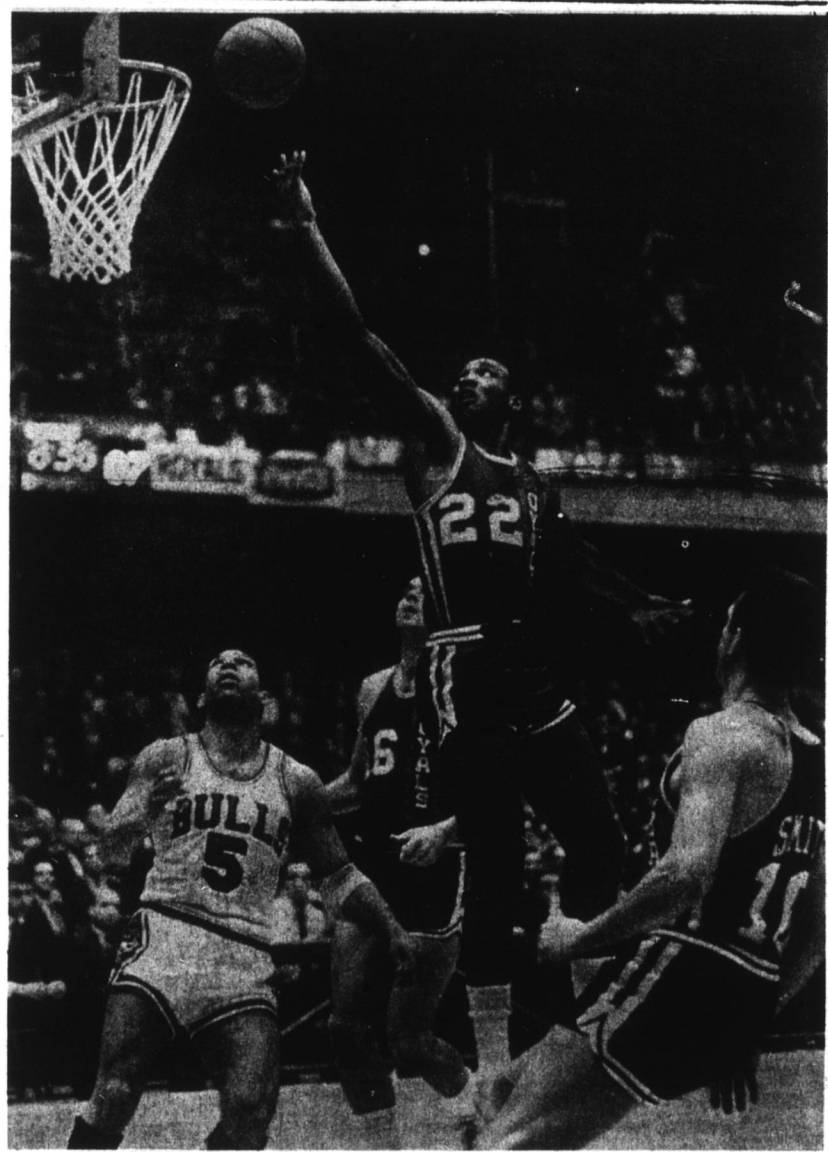


SPORTS



TAKE FIVE—(New York)—Chamberlain during their Madison Square Garden game, recently. Chamberlain calmly keeps the ball at arm's length as he surveys the situation. Philadelphia won, 131-120. (UPI Photo)



2 FOR 22—(Royals-Bulls-Chicago)—Happy Hairston (22) during first half action of ball game. Watching the action of Chicago Bulls' Guy Rodgers are Jerry Lucas (16) and Adrian Smith, both of the Royals. Cincinnati won, 133-117.

Central Michigan Squeezes by Albany State by Score 71-70

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — 10th seeded Central Michigan scored the winning basket on a five-footer by Bill Yearnd with :09 to play, squeezing by Albany State College 71-70 in the first round of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Basketball Tournament here at Municipal Auditorium on Tuesday afternoon.

The loss was a heartbreaker for the Rams who made a serious bid for an upset as they streaked to a six point margin, 58-52, with 7:15 to play. Willie Iverson, a 60 junior guard, put the Chippewas back in the game as he scored six of the next seven points to narrow the Rams' margin to one, 60-59.

With 4:06 left, Yearnd put the Central Michigan five in lead, 65-63 and moved four points ahead of Albany State with 2:38 to go as John Berends potted an easy layup, sneaking in for a pass from Iverson under the basket.

The Rams' Wilbert Jones hit two straight long jumpers, one from 30 feet out from the cor-

ner and the other a 35-footer from way outside, narrowing the margin, 69-67. With 1:05 showing on the clock, Melvin Jones, fouled by Greg Vossekuil, sank a free throw and Wilbert Jones sank another long one, this time from way out front, some 40 feet, with :27 to go, giving Albany a 70-69 lead.

Central Michigan promptly tossed in the ball, called time out and set up for what was to be the last shot. Moving the oval around, the Chippewas worked inside for a five-footer by Yearnd, going ahead 71-70. The Rams with one last ditch effort, aimed one with :04 to go but the ball fell off the side in the waiting arms of a Chippewa as the buzzer sounded the end of the game.

Berends was high for the Chippewas with 17, while Iverson scored 15.

Character is the real foundation of all worthwhile success.

—J. H. Hammond

Verga Makes Coaches Team; L&M Also Cited

Bob Verga, who set a new season scoring average of 26.1 at Duke, was named first team All-America by the National Association of Basketball Coaches of America.

The Duke senior's average was a tenth of a point higher than the one Dick Groat had during the 1952 season.

The squad is headed by phenomenal Lew Alcindor, who made everybody's All-America. He scored 1,867 points in the annual balloting of the nation's coaches.

Others on the first team are Carolina's Larry Miller, Providence's Jimmy Walker, (1,772) Louisville's Westley Unseld (1,459), and Elvin Hayes of Houston (1,205). Verga got 653 points.

Named on the second team are Carolina's Larry Miller, Mel Daniels of New Mexico, Clem Haskins of Western Kentucky; Bob Lloyd of Rutgers and Sonny Dove of St. John's.

Third team selections include Carolina's Bob Lewis, Kentucky's Lou Dampier, Texas Western's Dave Lattin, St. Joseph's Cliff Anderson and Northwestern's Jim Burns.

Walker is the only repeater from last year's squad. Like Alcindor, he is also a 30-point a game scorer.

Globetrotters' Freddie Neal Says He Never Gets Tired

Imagine playing 329 basketball games in 365 days. Unbearable, eh?

For most teams, yes. For the Harlem Globetrotters, no. These basketball bugs have been circling the globe for almost four decades, and young Freddie Neal enjoys every minute of it.

That's excluding some of those long, bumpy bus rides, missed meals, and lost sleep, of course, but Neal knows that's as much a part of the game as the behind-the-back pass and the half-court hook.

For the Globetrotters, those kind of maneuvers are routine, you know.

"I never get tired of basketball," insists the ball-handling magician, who has already dribbled around the world once and to Europe four times.

Nicknamed "Curly" for the same illogical reason anybody else who has little hair might be named "Curly," Neal can perform more tricks on a basketball floor than Houdini ever dreamed of.

He dribbles behind his back, between his legs, and whips deft passes, but that's really "kid stuff" for Neal, because he's been doing it since he was a kid.

Learned How To Slide

In fact, you could say he has always had a little "Globetrotter" in him, which dates back to the time he was swishing baskets on the Greensboro playgrounds during his childhood days.

"I was sort of a fancy dan," smiled Neal, a hero at Greensboro Dudley High before starring at Johnston C. Smith University.

But if Freddie was a "Fancy Dan" then, he became a "Fancier Dan" when he joined the Trotters four years ago. He had to learn a special act.

"They wanted me to learn this slide," explained the 27-year-old Neal. "It's kind of a baseball-style slide, where I dribble the ball when I'm down on the floor."

"I had to learn to keep the ball low, and to create speed." Needless to say, Neal responded to the challenge faster than Pavlov's Dog did to that ringing bell.

But while Freddie blends perfectly into the Globetrotter system, he is really a serious guy at heart, a vicious competitor.

"I like competitive basketball," continued Neal, relaxing in his motel room a couple of hours before game time last Wednesday night.

"I still think of it as a competitor, but the comedy helps, too."

How did Neal become a Globetrotter?

"When I was at J. C. Smith and playing in the CIAA Tournament, they offered me a trial," he explained. "So I went to their training camp and was one of the four players picked from a group of 75 all over the country."

It was, perhaps, Neal's happiest hour, because he had aspired to play for the Globetrotters as a youngster, when he watched them on television and imitated them on the playgrounds.

University of North Carolina Tarheels Among Four Teams Left in '67 Basketball Derby

When only four teams are left of an original field of 22 of the best teams in the nation, the competition obviously is most difficult.

Carolina will find it that way when it carries the Atlantic Coast Conference banner to Louisville this week.

The ACC has a team making the trip for the fifth time in the last six years. Only once in the previous four trips did the team get to the championship game.

Wake Forest went in 1962 and had to meet the great Ohio State team for the East championship. That was the Buckeye power that featured Jerry Lucas, John Havlicek, and Larry Siegfried, all of whom became professional standouts. The Deacons were beaten, 84-68.

The next year it was Duke's turn. The Blue Devils got off to a wretched start against Loyola of Chicago in the game for the East title and lost, 94-75. Duke returned in 1964 and defeated Michigan, 91-80, but then lost, 98-83, to UCLA for the national championship.

Shaw Bears to Play 18-Game Baseball Slate

RALEIGH—The Bears of Shaw University have scheduled eighteen baseball games for the 1967 season. Second runners-up during 1966 in the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association's ratings, Shaw was CIAA baseball champs during 1964 and 1965 seasons.

The schedule follows:

April 1, Hampton Institute, home; 4, Howard University, home; 7, Saint Augustine's College, home; 8, Winston Salem State College, away; 10, A&T College, away; 15, Fayetteville State College, away; 20, Delaware State College, home; 21, Norfolk State College, home; 22, Saint Augustine's home; 24, Hampton Institute, away.

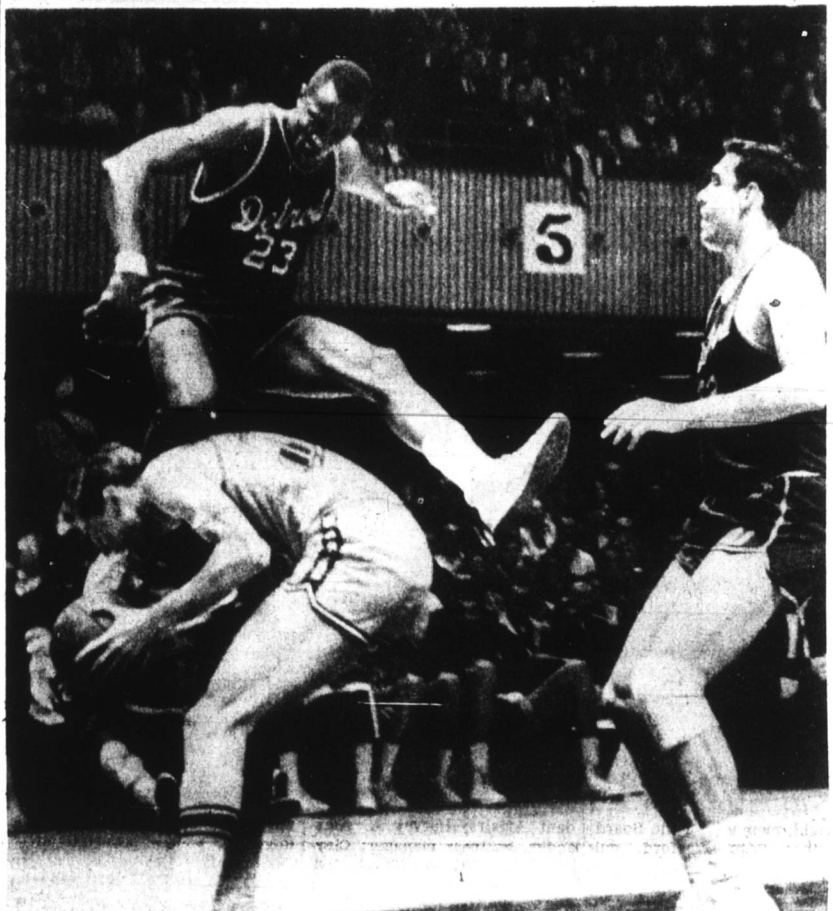
Other games include, April 25, Norfolk State, away; 27, Maryland State, home; 29, A&T College, home; May 3, Howard University, away; 4, Delaware State, away; 5, Maryland State, away; 10, Fayetteville State, home; and 17, Winston-Salem State, home.

All home games will be played at Chavis Park, beginning at 2 p.m.

Vetera coach of the Shaw baseballers is James E. Lytle, while Willie E. Jones is team captain.



COACH AND FORMER PLAYER RECEIVE AWARDS—Coach C. E. (Bighouse) Gaines (right) of the Winston-Salem State College Rams was named CIAA "Coach of the Year" for leading the Rams to a 24-0 record for the current season. Coach Marshall Emery, a former Ram player and head basketball coach at Howard University, was named "Most Outstanding CIAA Tournament Coach" for 1967. Coach Emery in his freshman year as Bison Coach, led his team to the runner-up position in the 1967 tournament.



FOUL! — THE HARD WAY—(San Francisco) Warriors' Piston John Tresvan (3-F) picked up his second personal foul the hard way, off the back of SF Warrior Clyde Les (43-C) in 2nd period of game as Piston Dave DuBusschere (22) looks on.

Mays, Epstein Slug Homers; Ford Wins

Willie Mays, runner-up to Babe Ruth as the all-time home run king, slammed his first homer of the 1967 major league exhibition baseball season Monday as the San Francisco Giants downed the Chicago Cubs 9-6.

Mays who has 542 lifetime homers, connected off Joe Niekro in the first inning.

Rookie Mike Epstein, Tony Horton and Mike Shannon were among the day's other batting stars.

Epstein slugged a three-run homer in the fourth inning in leading Baltimore to a 4-2 victory over Cincinnati. Frank Robinson, the Orioles' triple crown winner of 1966, had two hits, a triple and a single.

Horton had a home run, double and single in Boston's 4-3 triumph over Pittsburgh. Shannon's two-run homer powered St. Louis to a 4-2 victory over Philadelphia. It was the Cards' fourth straight triumph.

In other games, the Chicago White Sox downed the New York Mets 7-4, the New York Yankees edged Los Angeles 7-5 and California beat Cleveland 6-2.

Tommie Agee's inside-the-park homer insured the White Sox victory over the Mets. He connected in the ninth inning with one runner aboard.

Hamm's Team Wins Pro-Am

HAVELOCK — Durham pro Gene Hamm's fivesome won Monday's Eastern North Carolina Pro-Am at Carolina Pines Country Club here with a net best ball 59, 13 under par.

Playing on Hamm's team were amateurs L. W. Laughinghouse, George Saleby, Herb Purser and Allen Cooper.

Work Begins

WINSTON-SALEM — Workmen started Monday on the Wake Forest College Stadium. When they are through, they will have built a 20,000 seat facility complete with a field house and lights for night games.

The job is supposed to be finished by July 1, 1968.

A large part of the grading has already been finished. The bowl has been scooped out and the general grandstand area has been shaped.

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