## Ram Of The Week **Gibson Dazzles Fans**

Senior guard George Gibson has been selected as the Winston Salem Chronicle's "Ram of the Week" for his play in three Ram conference victories during the past week.

The 6-1 native of Philadelphia totaled 56 points in the three games raising his season's average to more than 15 points per game.

The business administration major came to the Rams in 1974 with the idea of following in the footsteps of Earl Monroe. He earned a starting position his freshman year and did an outstanding job as the Rams point guard.



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George returned to Ramland his sophomore season expecting to have a big year but Tom Paulin came in from Essex County, Junior College and Don' Helton from the Army and George found himself in a reserve role. He adjusted well and became a valuable man of the bench for the Rams.

George did get his chance to start when Paulin was injured in the CIAA tourney. In the-NAIA tournament in Kansas City "Ike" as his teammates call him led his team to three victories as was the teams top scorer in the event.

This season back in the starting lineup George is off to a good start and is a vital cog in the Ram offense.

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certainly a future pro star. These two were not the only standouts. Almost every player on the field had pro football potential. A few of those were from this area. North Carolina A&T wide receiver Dexter Feaster had a super night. The Charlotte native grabbed seven passes for 98 yards and scored the only east touchdown on a 13 d. pass from Norfolk State's quarterback Steve Graeff, one of two white players ion the game. Graeff was not one of the games stars however hitting only 6 of 23 passes for 83 yards and suffering 3 interceptions. ' Commentator Jim Hill was quick to notice

Graeff threw only with his arm and apparently so was the west secondary.

WSSU's Johnny Rodgers did a great job blocking helping to spring Tennessee State's Lawrence Gaines for 82 yards in 15 rushes. Gaines was the offensive MUP. According to Hill the scouts were extremely high on Rogers who is a two time All-CIAA selection.

Two players who didn't play in that game from N.C. who have big pro futures are Southern Cal's quarterback Vince Evans a Greensbore mative and offensive tackle Marvin Powell of Fayetteville.



Rams surged into the lead in the CIAA Southern Division this past week winning three conference games. The victories boosted the Rams CIAA record to 5-2 and moved them to 8-3 overall. On Wednesday night January 12 the Rams routed the Livingstone Bears 95-75 as All-American Carlos Terry scored 40 points and grabbed 21 rebounds, in the Winston-Salem Coliseum. On Friday January 15 the Rams journeyed to Lawrenceville Virginia to battle St. Paul's. The Rams took charge early in the game and roared to a 39-28 halftime lead. But St. Paul's roared back to capture the lead in the second half. The Rams used clutch free throw shooting (13 of 15) to take a narrow 73-70 victory. George Gibson led the Ram attack with 19 points. Stenson Conley added 14. Mike Brown had 13 as did Terry who also pulled down a game high 20

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Cozart led St. Paul's with 24 points and 11 rebounds.

The Rams made it three in a row Tuesday night January 18 topping Fayetteville State 83-79.

Coach Gaiones was not particularly happy with his teams play on Tuesday night. "We'll have to play better to beat Shaw and Elon. We were

a little too lackadasical."



The Rams opened up three nine point leads in the first 20 minutes only to see the young Broncos charge back and take a 45-42 halftime lead as freshman forward Dwight Marley scored 12 of his 24 points in the half.

The second half was a nip and tuck affair with neither team able to build more than a three point advantage until the Rams scored seven straight points to take an 81-75 lead with 1:03 remaining and coasted to an 83-79 victory.

Carlos-Terry again led the Rams with 30 points and 17 rebounds both game highs.

George Gibson had another fine night netting 21 points. Don Helton scored 10 points, Mike Brown 9, Mike Robinson «6. Marco Dillard 4 and Stenson Conley 3. Conley also

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find it harder to get into prison and therefore commit more serious crimes and thereby receive longer sentences. "But the study does not discount the theory," he said.

"No one can draw any substantial conclusion about imprisonment patterns without hearing from the courts. law enforcement agencies and social agencies about the cause," he said.

We agree and would therefore like to impress upon

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the governor and the new secretary to do everything in their power to look into this matter and come up with some concrete proposals aimed at rectifying this appalling situation.

Too many of this state's young black men are being buried in the prison system and there is a reason. We must know why and take steps to do something about it. This can not be ignored any longer.

Fayetteville was better prepared for the games than we were and they executed their 1-4 offense well," said the coach.

The Rams face tough road games against conference rival Shaw on Friday and battle Elon which is tied for the Carolinas Conference lead on Saturday.

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