

Hot Indians Close In

John Pfeiffer singled in Charles Hardesty and player-manager Ted Petree in the bottom of the ninth inning Sunday night to give the Winston-Salem Indians a 9-8 victory over their arch rival Pond Giants and keep them undefeated in Winston-Salem Baseball League PLAY.

The win was the Indians 11th without a defeat in the WSBL and their 14th straight win overall. They stand 23-2 on the season.

The loss was the Pond Giants second in a row and virtually eliminated them from contention for their second consecutive league crown.

The Pond Giants had fallen to the Warden Motors MG's 5-0 earlier in the week as Gary Groce threw a

two hitter. The losses dropped the Giants to 9-4 in league play. The MG's meanwhile upped their record to 10-2.

The showdown game between the Indians and the second place Winston-Salem Astros who have an 11-1 league mark was rained out on last Saturday and has been rescheduled for this Saturday at 8:30 at Ernie Shore Field.

"That game could decide the regular season title," said Indians co-owner Rip Wilkins. "If we beat them we will be undefeated with three games left to play and they will be lost twice. We have a tough game with the Pond Giants on Sunday also but if we win both of those

we have a good shot at going through the league without a loss."

In Sunday's slugfest, the Pond Giants struck first getting to Indian starter Joel Weston for two runs in the first inning. But after Pond Giant starter John Bolton, pitching with a split index finger on his pitching hand, walked the first two batters he was replaced by Tommy Elrod. Frank Cauthen greeted Elrod with a three run homer high over the right field wall.

The Pond Giants took the lead back in the see-saw affair by scoring two runs in the third and led 8-5 after tallying two more runs in the seventh.

Frank Cauthen drew a walk to lead off the ninth

against Elrod who was then replaced by Scott Austin. After Lynn Biting walked Petree singled in Cauthen. Hardesty's single scored Biting and Greg Hairston's slow rolled was booted by shortstop Jeff Tuttle before Pfeiffer produced his game winning hit.

"We are really looking forward to the state tourney this year," said Wilkins. "We haven't won the WSBL yet and that was one of our goals for the season but I think we are pretty close to accomplishing that."

This has been a great year for us. Ted Petree has done a super job as manager in his first season and Willie Walls and Pete Hixon have run the front office superbly."



Little

Little Joins Pro Ranks

After winning two Mid Eastern Athletic Conference championships in two seasons and winning 20 games in both campaigns, North Carolina A&T basketball coach Gene Little has resigned to become an assistant coach with the recently moved Utah Jazz.

The move which was rumored as early as the beginning of last week was

announced at press conference in Salt Lake City Monday.

The former High Point College All-American who played pro ball for the Carolina Cougars and Kentucky Colonels of the ABA, will become an assistant to former Houston Rocket head coach Tom Nissalke who was named to replace Elgin Baylor at the confer-

ence. Also joining Little as an assistant for the Jazz, who moved from New Orleans early this month, is Hal Wissel who served as an assistant to Hubie Brown in Atlanta last season.

Little took over the Aggie reins in 1977 after the team had suffered through a horrible 3-24 campaign under Warren Reynolds. He had served as an assistant to Bobby Cremins at Appalachian prior to taking the job.

Under Little the Aggies started slowly as they adopted to his patient patterned type of offence losing seven of their first nine games. But once accustomed to Little and his game plan they went on to take 18 of their last 19 games and grab the MEAC tournament title.

Last season A&T upgraded its schedule taking on such powers as Syracuse, UNC-Charlotte, Providence, Main and Arkansas but still won more than 20 games for the second straight year and the MEAC tournament.

Little was not available for comment on his move to Utah.

A&T athletic director Jim McKinley said that a search for a new coach to replace Little would begin as soon as possible.



By GEORGE BOOIE
"Luke" Nesmith and Hobert Sharpe, fishing the low waters behind the Tuckertown Dam, finished with a string of white bass and several keeping size largemouth bass. Both species were caught on dollflies.

It is necessary to take along a good supply of dollflies because the rate of lures lost can be catastrophic. When fishless lures are retrieved, even when the lure is planned, it is not always possible to prevent it from becoming lodged between the rocks.

Most of the fish which have spawned, being off their beds, may be found scattered all over the lake. It is fast becoming that

season of fishing when you must search out your quarry. If fish are not found in the usual spots you must change your method of operation.

You must now resort to drifting and trolling, which will enable you to locate the scattered schools.

If trolling, one should set up a patters so as much lake can be covered thoroughly in a very short time. If drifting, try getting with the wind and travel parallel to the shoreline when possible.

There is not much of a definite pattern to be established when drifting but it is possible to drift over drop-offs and holes and stream beds where fish naturally move to during

the hot weather.

With vacation times approaching, please make yourself aware of the possibility of accidents while boating, fishing, camping or being engaged in any water sports. Don't allow yourself to become a vacation fatality.

Over exposure to the direct sunlight can play havoc to delicate skins. When camping out, use repellants to ward off biting insects that you may be allergic to. Be able to recognize poisonous plants. To be safe carry along a first aid kit.

Boat accidents occur as the results of negligence and being discourteous; as with automobiles. Bring your family back home without a spoiled trip.

Harvey Signs Tate

By Robert Eller Sports Editor
LuVee Tate, runner-up in the voting for the Mary Garber Award given to the most outstanding female basketball player in the area has signed a full grant-in-aid to attend Winston-Salem State University this fall.

The 5-11 Tate was a three year starter for Lexington High and was an all-county selection. This past season she averaged better than 15 points and 18 rebounds per game while leading the

school to its best record in more than 20 years, a 17-7 slate.

Harvey was all smiles after announcing the signing. "She was considered as one of the three best players around here and with her ability to score both inside and outside we can use her at both our big wing and small forward position. She can also help us on the boards with her size."

Harvey had to beat out some strong competition to get Tate and got a little

help from her coach Theresa McDowell, who taught Harvey at North Forsyth High School.

Before deciding on WSSU, Miss Tate had narrowed her choices down to Fayetteville State, this years CIAA tourney winner, and Winston-Salem. "I almost chose Fayetteville. I really liked their program but I liked Winston-Salem's program too and its closer to home."



Harvey

Coach

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14 hours a day normally." have ever had.

"Our girls 440 relay team as well as Clara Hairston, Teresa Hall and some others have a chance to make the national meet. Also as a coach I take this as my civic duty during the summer. I think everybody should try to make some contribution to society and this is mine no matter how small it may seem."

What has kept Simpson running the Roadrunners for the past six years with the financial hassles and the long hours? "I said before that my daughter was the reason but that is not all of it. One year it was Ron Lankford who went on to earn a scholarship and another year it was James Samuels. This year its a number of kids since we have the best group we

Smokers Seek Title

The Winston-Salem Smokers will place their first place position in the Southeastern Racquet Association on the line June 23 at Norfolk against the Norfolk Baprats. There will be a three way tie if the Baprats win. If the Smokers win the championship, the season will be over.

In last week's SRA action, Gastonia beat Raleigh 31 to 0, with their JV's notching a 9 to 0 victory.

The SRA office in Charlotte has announced the Junior Master Tournament will be held in Norfolk and Sunday, July 15. Participants must have participated in at least one ATA sponsored event. Upcoming matches are: June 30, Atlanta at Charlotte; July 6-8 Greater BATCH Invitational at Charlotte; July 14, Charlotte at Norfolk; July 21 Charlotte at Winston-Salem.

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