



CHRONICLE SPORTS

Black on Sports



Robert Eller
Sports Editor

It was one-on-one time again and the smile on Hansel Hentz' face was as broad and shiny as the top of his bald head as he opened the door to Martin Luther King Recreation Center.

To open the third annual one-on-one, he had lured Alderman Larry Little and assistant recreation director Thomas Gavin to the basketball court.

Shedding their ties and coats, the two former jocks returned to their days of glory as they joked with each other before the match began. The seriousness was still there, however; for once you are an athlete the will to win and the competitive spirit never fade.

Gavin had already worked up a sweat by 6:00, having beaten a challenger easily. Little, who had a Board of Aldermen's meeting at 7:30 p.m., had arrived in such a hurry that he left his headlights on outside as he worked hard in the gym searching for the magic that made him one of the city's finest players in the late '60's.

Gavin, a former quarterback for Wake Forest University who was with the Cleveland Browns briefly, sat quietly upstairs mentally preparing himself for the match.

The match started soon after, with only about 10 spectators watching but neither of the two competitors noticed. Both looked as if they could still hold their own as they took the court. Gavin at 5-11 stated he was "a little overweight at 187 pounds" while Little stood 6-1, 180 pounds with his long arms making him appear taller.

Starting slowly both men missed jumpers from the 18 foot range before Little used some nifty ballhandling to back in like Oscar Robertson used to and hit a fall away 10 footer. Gavin, sensing the adeptness of Little with the ball, used his quick first step to blow by Little for a reverse layup.

Little followed with two more fall aways after backing in close and, two beautiful drives to build a 6-1 cushion

before Gavin hit from 16 feet. Little scored on another fall away and after a steal used a picture perfect hook shot to go up 8-2. But Gavin then got his second wind. He drove past Little and whirled for a reverse layup and scored on consecutive 15 footers outlasting Little for the ball after the alderman had blocked a layup attempt by sailing high over the rim.

Two turnarounds and a jumper from the key by Little were interrupted by a 16 footer by Gavin before Little closed out the 12 point game with a swishing 25 footer.

The one-on-one had begun with two athletes who didn't make the big time in pro sports, but found that a ball is not the only way to make it breathing hard and perspiring profusely.

As they shook hands and smiled at each other, it was obvious that each had enjoyed themselves and also had a better prospective of what athletics is all about.



Parting Souvenir

Jim Barnett, representative for Hanes gives one of 600 T-shirts to Coach Clarence E. "Big House" Gaines, on behalf of WSSU's National Youth Sports Program. The program in its final week, has been called a success because of greater attendance participation from the Winston-Salem community.

Jones Tourney This Week

By Robert Eller
Sports Editor

Winston Lake Golf Course will present its 15th annual amateur and professional open this weekend with a new twist.

The event previously called the Winston Lake Pro Am is now the Jerry Jones Amateur and Professional Open after being renamed for its founder, course pro E. Jerry Jones.

The 36 hole medal play tourney will get under way July 21 at 8:00 a.m. with amateurs, seniors and women teeing off. The pros will have a shotgun start at 2:00 p.m.

The tourney which is sanctioned by the North American Golf Association is one of the oldest in North Carolina and has listed among its former participants and winners every black pro now on the PGA tour.

"We expect to have the largest field



Jerry Jones

ever for the tourney," said Jones early this week. "Right now we have more than 65 pros entered along with at least that many amateurs and some 35 seniors."

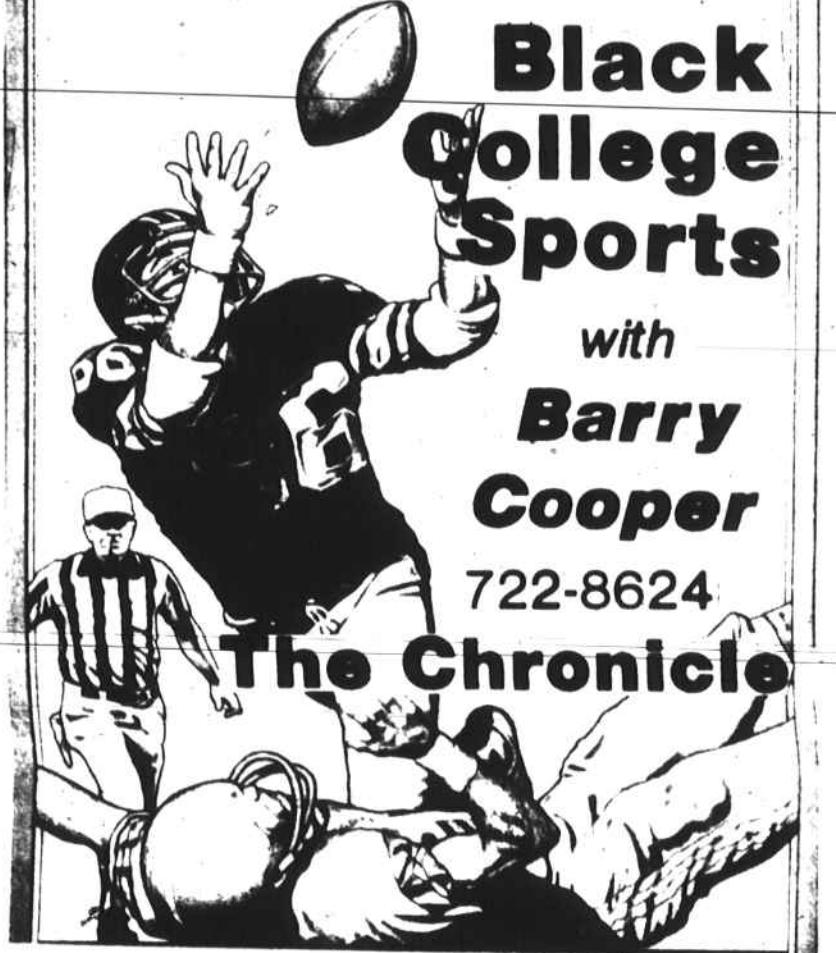
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Peppers Survive Scare

By Robert Eller
Sports Editor

The Martin Luther King Peppers got excellent defense from guards Dovain Britt and Wayne Caldwell to offset a 24 point performance by Leon Williams to nip Reynolds 71-70 and stay unbeaten in the Summer Basketball League this week.

Trailing 24-15 early in the second quarter, Pepper coach John Isabell summoned guards Britt and Caldwell from the bench.

Going to a fullcourt press the two quickly forced four turnovers. Two steals by Caldwell and one by Britt put the Peppers back on top 29-26 at the 4:15 mark.

Sidney Wilkins, who led the Pepper attack with 18 points, then hit three straight jumpers and Caldwell added two baskets as they moved to a 41-32 halftime lead. The pressure of Britt and Caldwell forced Reynolds into 14 second quarter turnovers.

Reynolds came roaring back in the third quarter. Led by Williams long jumpers they knotted the score at 50 with two minutes left in the quarter and trailed by only one, 54-53, at its end.

Neither team led by more than one basket throughout the final quarter. Williams converted the first half of a one-and-one with 17 seconds left to put Reynolds, which played without injured star Reggie Lampkins, up 70-68.

Vic Henderson of the Peppers was fouled with seven seconds left and missed the one-and-one but high jumping Mike McDougald went up over the crown to tip in the game

winner. The victory put the Peppers at 6-0 while Reynolds fell to 3-4.

In other action the Boys Club beat Happy Hill 73-70 despite 37 points by David Coleman. Walter Fay and Wayne Sawyer had 18 points each for the winners. Mike King also had 13 points.

The Boys Club raised their record to 2-2 while Happy Hill is now 1-3.

Anthony Patterson led five Unique players in double figures with 22 points as they stopped the winless Clippers 70-50. The Uniques are now 2-1. The Clippers are 0-2. Bobby Wilson led the Clippers with 18 points.

WSBL Crown Up for Grabs

By Robert Eller
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The third annual Winston-Salem Baseball League championship tournament got under way this past Wednesday night with the first two games of the double elimination event being played at Ernie Shore Field.

In the opening game the eighth place Walkertown Tigers (2-13) battled the ninth seeded Forsyth A's (2-14). The second game featured the second seeded Winston-Salem Astros (13-3) and the seventh place Carolina Yankees (5-11).

Thursday nights games saw the Warden Motors MG's, who tied for second with the Astros with identical 13-3 records take on the Mt. Airy Yankees who like the Carolina Yankees fin-

ished 5-11.

The second game will feature the Pond Giants who fell lower than second in the league for the first time ever this season, against the surprising CACTX Cardinals. The Pond Giants finished 9-6 while the Cards were 8-8, winning seven of their last eight games.

The league champion and defending tournament title holding Winston-Salem Indians will open up Fridays action. They finished 14-2 after taking their first 11 league games in a row and received a first round bye. Their opponent will be the winner of the A's Tigers game. The second game will have the loser of the Tiger A's game taking on the loser of the Astros Carolina Yankees

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