

Community Sports



The Magic, winners of the Hanes Hosiery 12-15 basketball league.

Magic Takes 12-15 Hanes Hosiery Title

By MICHAEL JOHNSON
Chronicle Sports Writer

Rico Bruton scored 27 points, including 12 in the crucial fourth quarter as the Magic defeated the Rockets in a 73-66 come-from-behind in the Hanes Hosiery 12-15 championships last week.

The Magic fell behind by as much as 11 points when Anthony Scott's layup put the Rockets ahead 43-32 with 2:50 left in the third quarter. That's when Bruton took over, scoring six of his team's last ten points in the quarter and the Magic's first six of the fourth to rally the Magic to within 55-52.

"I talked to him at halftime and told him he needed to step up his game," Magic coach Danny Womack said. "He got frustrated in the first half, when his shot wasn't falling and got down on himself."

The Magic grabbed the first for the first time since the early stages of the contest when Landon Moore's three-point basket made it 57-56 with 3:32 left. Chris Vaughn tied the score at 62 on a pair of free throws with 2:08 left, but Bruton made one of two free throws to put the Magic ahead to stay.

"I was just hitting my shot late and I was getting the ball down low, and that's how we came back," said

Bruton, who was voted the most valuable player for the age group.

Moore scored 14 points for the Magic and Ryan Ottati had 14. Chris Vaughn scored 20 points and B.J. Bristow had 13 to lead the Rockets.

The Magic advanced to the finals by defeating the Celtics 75-67. Bruton had 32 points for the Magic and Ottati had 25, including six three-pointers. Teddy Fant led the Celtics with 22 points and Jake Gurantouro and Kevin Wilson scored 14 each. The Rockets eliminated the Sonics 49-43 in the semi-finals as Vaughn scored 15 points. Corey Burchette scored 18 points for the Sonics.

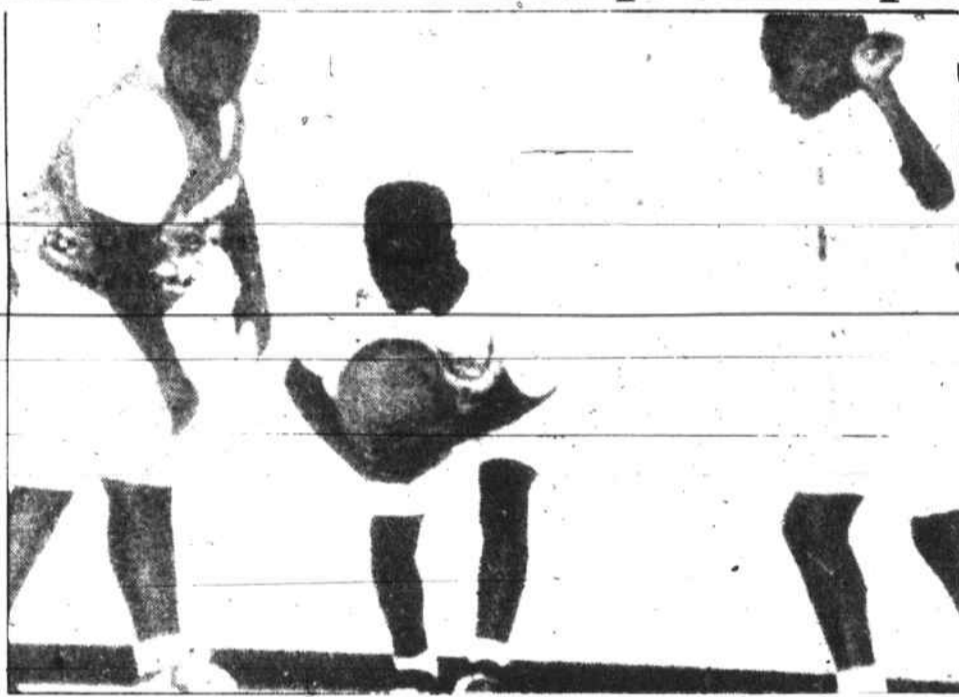
Hawks, Celtics Capture Championships

By MICHAEL JOHNSON
Chronicle Sports Writer

The Carl Russell Recreational Center concluded its basketball season in two age groups this weekend as the Celtics ran away with 66-15 win over the Knicks in the 10-12 age group.

The game was never in doubt as the Celtics ran out to a 26-8 half-time lead. It was the second blowout in two days for the Celtics, who pounded the Bulls 54-9 in the semi-finals. The Celtics raced to a 12-0 lead at the end of the first quarter and had a 30-2 lead at intermission. The Knicks advanced by squeaking out a 30-27 win over the Hornets. The Knicks led 27-14 at the end of three before the Hornets mounted a furious comeback.

In the consolation game, the Hornets mounted another strong comeback in the fourth period, this time beating the Bulls 29-27. The Hornets trailed 20-12 going into the



Action between the Bulls and Hornets at the Carl Russell Center.

final quarter.

In the 6-9 group, the Hawks eeked out a 26-23 win over the Suns to take the championship. The Suns advanced by beating the Rockets

25-21 and the Hawks rolled to a 33-18 win over the Jazz.

In the consolation game, the Rockets slipped past the Jazz, 28-22.

Twin Cities Registration to Begin

The Twin Cities Little League organization will be holding registrations for its five baseball league teams and two girls softball teams March 11 and March 18. Registration sites will be at the Martin Luther King, 14th Street and Cleveland Ave. recreational centers, Happy Hills Community Center and the Boys Club. The season is scheduled to start in April.

The league will consist of the T-ball league for boys and girls 5-7, minor leagues for nine- and ten-year

olds, a major league division for the senior or Pony league players 13-15 and the Big Leagues for those 16-18. A girls softball league will be divided into two age categories, 9-12 and 13-15.

Games will be played on Saturdays starting at 9:30 a.m. and on weekdays at 5:30 p.m. Games will be played at Rupert Bell and Civitan parks and a new facility on the New Walkertown and Waterworks Road intersection. An opening night ceremony will be held at the Anderson

Center prior to the start of the season.

The league is looking for sponsors and volunteers to support the teams for the upcoming season. The league has also announced several new officials: Alfred Mitchell as vice president, Doris Bankhead secretary, Gail Hayes treasurer and Derrick Green in charge of operations.

For further information, contact Twin Cities president Patrick Grimes at 784-9707 or 922-4738.

Tennis

forward to the junior circuit.

"It's a good chance to improve my skills and my speed," he said. "I will be looking to improve on where I hit the ball."

An emphasis will be made on team play and sportsmanship. The teams will play a round-robin schedule and scores will be kept by team play, not by individual effort. Players will be grouped within a two-year range and skill level is taken into consideration.

A new concept Moore spoke about is rookie coaches. For the first time, Moore will be working with volunteer coaches who will teach younger players. The volunteers will coach only during practice sessions and members of the USTA will hold a coaching clinic March 26 to show volunteers specific

coaching methods.

"We don't want to put too much pressure on kids," he said. "Some parents will say to the kid, 'How come you didn't hit the ball that way?' but don't realize that he or she will not have the experience to do that just yet."

"You would be surprised on what kids can do when it's fun. They'll want to practice it everyday, and the more they practice it, the more they will want to play."

Of particular interest to Moore is attracting more males for his program, especially more black males. Moore believes the reason girls outnumber their counterparts is the presumption that tennis is a "sissy sport." He said that assumption existed when he was playing the game as a youngster and little has

from page A1

changed to alter that perception.

"In the seventh, eighth grade, there's pressure put on by peers to play other sports, such as football and basketball," he said. "Most of that is misunderstanding. Someone might have tried it and didn't hit the ball several times and said, 'I don't get it.' But we must open ourselves to all possible avenues."

Leon Kay, the tennis coach at Winston-Salem State, said the program's emphasis is on fun, but the program can be a way to let the kid's competitive juices flow.

"The kids will have an opportunity to play tennis three times a week and then play again in the summer, so it's a great time for them," he said. "You'll see a lot of kids playing hard and wanting to win."

WINN  DIXIE

America's Supermarket

QUANTITY DISCOUNTS RESERVED

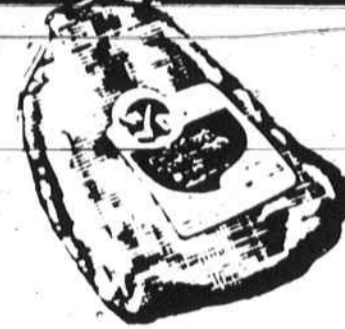
Prices good Wed. March 9, thru Tues. March 15, 1994.



W-D Brand U.S.D.A. Choice Family Packs
Lean & Tender Cube Steak
\$1.98
lb.



Market Break
Harvest Fresh California
Tender Green Asparagus
99¢
lb.



W-D Brand
Whole Smoked Picnics.....lb. 59¢

Half Price Sale!



Palmetto Farms All Flavors
Pimento Spread
99¢
1 lb. cup Was: \$1.99



8 oz. bowls
Smart Beat Spread
49¢
2 pack Was: 99¢



Stefano's All Varieties
Great Stuffs
\$1.49
10 oz. Was: \$1.99



Long, Thin or Vermicelli
Creamettes Spaghetti
16¢
7 oz. Was: 36¢



Kellogg's
Froot Loops
\$1.34
11 oz. Was: \$1.69



Planters Mixed Nuts
\$1.54
12 oz. can Was: \$1.99

Was: \$1.99 Ant & Roach Killer Regular or
Country Fresh Raid.. 9.5 oz. 99¢
Was: \$2.69 Mt. Olive
Kosher Dills..... 64 oz. \$1.34
Was: \$1.19 Assorted or Peanut
Scotties Dog Treats.. 10 oz. 59¢
Was: \$1.69 All Scents
Renuzit Refills..... 1 ct. 84¢

Was: 99¢ Chicken Rice or Chicken Noodle Healthy Classics
Progresso Soup..... 16 oz. 49¢
Was: \$1.99 Singleton
Popcorn Shrimp..... 12 oz. 99¢
Was: \$2.79 Act I Buttered
Microwave Popcorn... 6 pk. \$1.39
Was: 99¢ Singleton
Shrimp Poppers..... 6 oz. 49¢

**Absolutely, Positively...
The Low Price LEADER!**