HAGGINS

hird quarter helped Carver to a 14-43 lead. Mount Tabor took its final lead early in the fourth quarer when Moncus was fouled and made one of two free throws. Carver was hit with a technical and he converted both free throws to lift the Spartans to a 46-45 *Advantage.

After Carver took a 52-48 lead, Mount Tabor went to a man-toman defense and guards Anthony Nelson and Charles Dearmon were able to exploit it for layups or dish off to open teammates.

"I have to give Mount Tabor credit," Holt said. "The did some really good things in the first half. They took us out of what we wanted to do.

The Yellowjackets, playing without starting center Ben Petty, got itself into foul trouble and Holt had to go to his bench early. "At one point we had a bunch of young kids out there," Holt said. "You don't anticipate it, but the early foul trouble forced us to put in kids who aren't where we want them to be. That allowed them to make a run at us.

The final 12 minutes of the me was a different story, howev-

"We were able to take advanage of their mistakes," Holt said. I was worried about their big oodies, but our kids found a way to make some plays.

"In the final Keegan and Charles made some really big blays," Holt added. "Rashad's rebounding was also big. Really, we had a lot of kids to step up in the last four minutes. Nelson did

an outstanding job at the point."

Anthony Moore, who also fouled out of the game, led Mount Tabor with 12 points, followed by Lekwauwa with 11. Perez Wardlow scored 10 and Moncus chipped in with nine. The Spartans thad little production in the back-

court, however. Haggins' 21 led Carver. The 6-2 sophomore started off slowly but picked up steam as the game went along. Haggins had 14 in the second half, six in the third period and eight in the fourth period. Haggins was backed by Davis with 12 and Nelson with 12. Braham came off the bench to score seven.

"Our Achilles heel is rebounding," Hanger said. "We don't have Hardy to go get it. We're playing good defense. Our shot selection has been good, but we just don't have anyone who can go out and get 10 rebounds a game.'

The closest thing to it is Windell Owens, who is averaging team-high 6.9 rebounds per game. Thad Young is next at 5.5 and Tyrone Thomas follows with 4.6 average.

The Rams' offense has been yery well-balanced. WSSU is averaging 80 points per game and shooting 49 percent from the field. Their opponents are averaging only 39 percent field goal shooting.

Some four Ram players are everaging in double figures, led by Thomas. The 6-1 junior college transfer is scoring a team-high 15.3 points. Young is next with 14.4, followed by Windell Owens and Larry Patterson, both

But Hanger is still trying to solve the Rams problems at the free throw line. The Rams are only shooting 60 percent from the fine. Hanger said the Rams need to get better at the charity stripe and that will help the team get its acoring average up to a 90-point

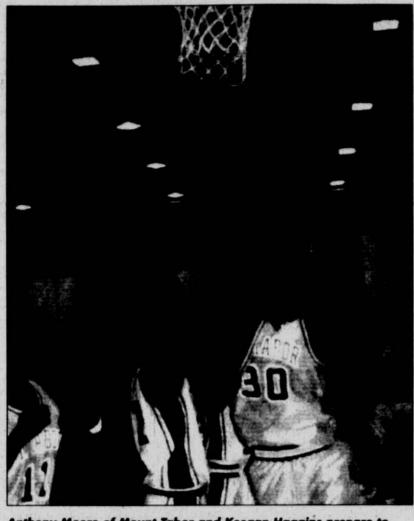
wssu expecting help in the next couple of games to help deal with their rebounding deficiency. Sherman Ward will be added to the roster at the end of the semes-er. The 6-8 Ward is a walk-on, who Hanger expects to make an immediate impact. Chuck Jones, the 6-6 transfer from East Carolina is finally getting over his anterior cruciate injury he suf-fered last season. Although Hanger doesn't expect Jones to be at full strength, he will be a factor

in the lineup.

If all the ingredients come Sogether, the Rams could be on their way to a strong finish.

"We're not a great team, but I hink this can be a very good feam," he said. "We're trying to win eight games. We've already fiven two away, so we have to eally play hard the rest of the

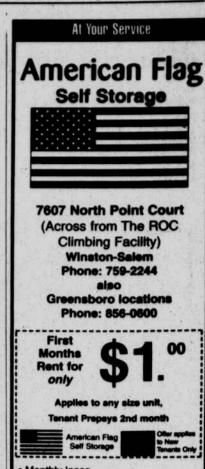
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Anthony Moore of Mount Tabor and Keegan Haggins prepare to battle for a rebound.



Antoine Barnes of Carver applies intensive defensive pressure to Mount Tabor's Curt Moncus.



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