Burlington. So how did

Baker become fortunate

and eligible for the Junior

Burlington's team chose

three players from the

to the Junior Olympic

games they sprinted.

Winter Field Team and off

Now a member of the

official Eastern Division

winners Baker helped the

team through two winning

games. During the Junior

Olympics championship

the team came in second

place. Now Baker's team

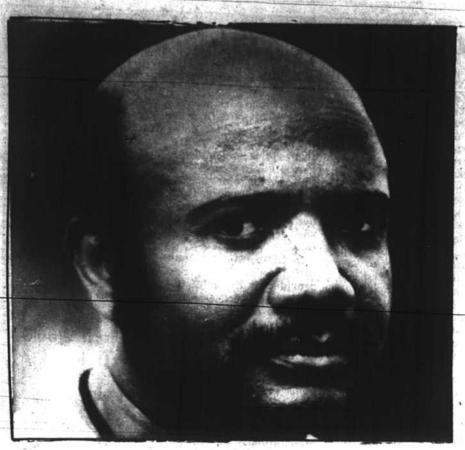
will be off to Jacksonville,

Florida, for another cham-

Two other Charlotteans

pionship title.

Olympics?



Horace SmallIntends to win!

Horace Small Says:

Academically Ineligible Players Can't Help You!

By Tay Burwell

Special To The Post When Horace Small was introduced to the media as Johnson C. Smith University's new athletic director and head football coach, he was presented with a coach's dream situation.

"I don't care if Johnson C. Smith University does not win another football game, as long as Smith players succeed in their academic work and graduate with their degrees,' remarked school president Dr. Robert L. Albright.

"I appreciate what Dr. Albright was saying," commented Small. "J. C. Smith has earned a reputation throughout its history as an institution that takes its educational mission seriously. That doesn't mean that we don't intend to win every athletic event scheduled or that we feel we won't be able to compete on the field or in

Horace Small thinks just the opposite is true. "Academically ineligible

players can't help you in the line-up, nor will recruiting youngsters who drop out after a year or two," points out the Shaw graduate. "Studentathletes who have the discipline to be good students certainly have the discipline needed to be good

football players. Because JCSU graduates a high number of recruits brought to campus, Small has found a warm reception in the homes of recruits this year.

"Parents want their sons to graduate from college,' he emphasized. "We always sell our academic program first, then talk football.

If one word could summon Horace Small's coaching philosophy, it is discipline.

We can't have 60 people doing 60 different things,' stated Small. "We will be dressing out only about 45 people even for home games. Wearing the Gold and Blue will be a privilege earned each week."

While the chain of com-

mand is quite clear on the field, Small is seeking to build a team support among alumni and supporters off the field.

"Building a winning program will mean building gate attractions and generating financial support in the community," reflected Small. "It's important program to succeed."...

As coach Small maps out an overall plan for the next five years and puts together the details for his 1984 campaign, a formidable schedule awaits him. The Bulls open on the road, traveling to defending CIAA champion Virginia Union on September 1. The home schedule will feature Catawba (September 8) Bowie State (September 22), N.C. A&T State (Sep-(October 6), St. Paul's

Next Week: The JCSU recruiting year.

City And County **Government Phone** Numbers To Change

All City and County government telephone numbers with the 374 prefix will change to 336 effective July 1, 1984. The last four numbers will remain the same. All other local government telephone numbers will remain unchanged.

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In 1970 City and County government converted to the 374 exchange with a capacity of 1,500 lines. All of those lines are now in use. In the new 336 exchange 3,000 numbers have been reserved for local government use.

tegies are best as a team player and passing the ball. He is also good at shooting, averaging 16 points per Competing recently in

Baker just might be in

line for the honor. At 13 he

is already 5'6". His stra-

the Junior Olympics in Memphis, Tennessee, Baker walked away with one of the "Best Players" awards. This plaque and honor was given to four of the best players from seven competing teams.

Eastern Region tournament against the All-Star

Burlington Team. The

"I like the way my As a member of the Winter Field Booster Club All-Star Basketball Team (since the age of six), Baker aided the team in the



Corey BakerBasketball star

the Junior Olympics. Unfortunately, Winter

Rangers Romp Over Eagles

coasted from that point.

Thompson ignited the

scurrying home. Velasquez

and Wright both came

home when Michael Peake

hit a long triple to right

center. Fall tripled to score

Peake and raced across

home plate on the front end

After notching a single-

"We were glad to get that

win under our belts,"

Thomas stated, adding,

"We will not play again

until July 7th. We definite-

ly wanted to go into the rest

Thomas didn't elaborate

on whether he would con-

tinue to use the four-

pitchers-per-game rotation

or not. "I'm not sure," he

responded, "I just thought

it was a good idea last

Sunday. That doesn't mean

I will use it on a regu-

ton in the seventh and a

of a double steal.

tallies in the ninth.

period with a win.

lar basis.

Powered by the big bats 17 starts this season. "I of William Wright, Bobby Thompson, and Rudy Falls, the Queen City Rangers romped to a 15-8 victory over the Westside Eagles here last Sunday. Designated hitter Wright

this year.

led the assault against three Eagles' hurlers with four singles, while Thompson was hitting three onebase blows, and Falls' two singles and a triple. Wright scored three times and plated three teammates. Falls also had three

By Teresa Simmons

Post Managing Editor

Corey Baker. It's a nor-

mal enough name. But at

the rate this 13 year old is

going that name may fast

become a household word

like Michael Jordan or Wilt

Baker, who has been

playing since the age of

three attributes his style

and winning ability to his

father plays basketball,"

Corey began. "I also ad-

mire Michael Jordan, who

now has gone pro with the

Baker has chosen Jordan

as a role model and wishes

to play for a college team

first, then move on to the

father, Willie Baker.

Chicago Bulls."

professional ranks.

Chamberlain.

Manager Herman Thomas used four pitchers in his team's 15th triumph in

July 13-15 at Hornet's Nest

thought it best that we work them for a shorter period of time," he informed, pointing out that Phil Harris, Bill Davis and Bernard Thomas each worked two innings. Willie Patterson pitched the final three frames. Thomas was the winner. It was his third victory against no defeats

The Rangers jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the first two innings only to have the Eagles to cut the margin to one run after four rounds. A 5-run Ranger outburst in the sixth put the score out

pair in the eighth, the Rangers closed out the **BATCH Plans Tennis Tourney** point making with a trio of

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Judge Todd

The Special Projects Committee to Re-Elect Judge Michael Todd will sponsor a "Cocktails With udge Todd" affair Friday, June 29, from 7-8 p.m. The Excelsior Club, 921 Beatalso be sponsored.

event will be held at the ties Ford Rd. After the cocktail sip, a disco will Tickets are \$5. The public is invited to attend.

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teams were shooting for

played on the Junior Olympic team: Sean Miller and Hewell Hykes. Hykes also Field lost the game to received one of the "Best Players" honors

Since the age of three, Baker has played basketball with his father and his three brothers, Willie Jr., of reach and the Rangers Adrian and Dedrick. He is now in the seventh grade at Spaugh Middle School and rout with a base on balls. plans to play basketball Marcus Velasquez also and football next semester. drew a base on balls, but He may also run the 100 Wright came through with and 4-40 relay in track. the second of his four base knocks to send Thompson

He labels "all sports" as his hobbies and practices

on various community courts with adults and one of his older brothers Adrian, who plays basketball for Harding Senior High School. "Adrain has taught me a lot about basketball also," Baker

stated. The dream of becoming a professional basketball star may be just a few years away for Baker. "My ambition is to become a professional basketball player," Baker interjected. With the proud support from his parents, Willie and Johnnie Baker, his chances are good.

He is a member of St Paul Baptist Church, where Rev. Paul Drummond is pastor.

Baker's plaque reads: "1984 -- 13 and under AAU-USA Junior Olympic Boys Basketball National Championships - Southeast Zone - All Tournament Team." His coach on the Winter Field team is B. V.

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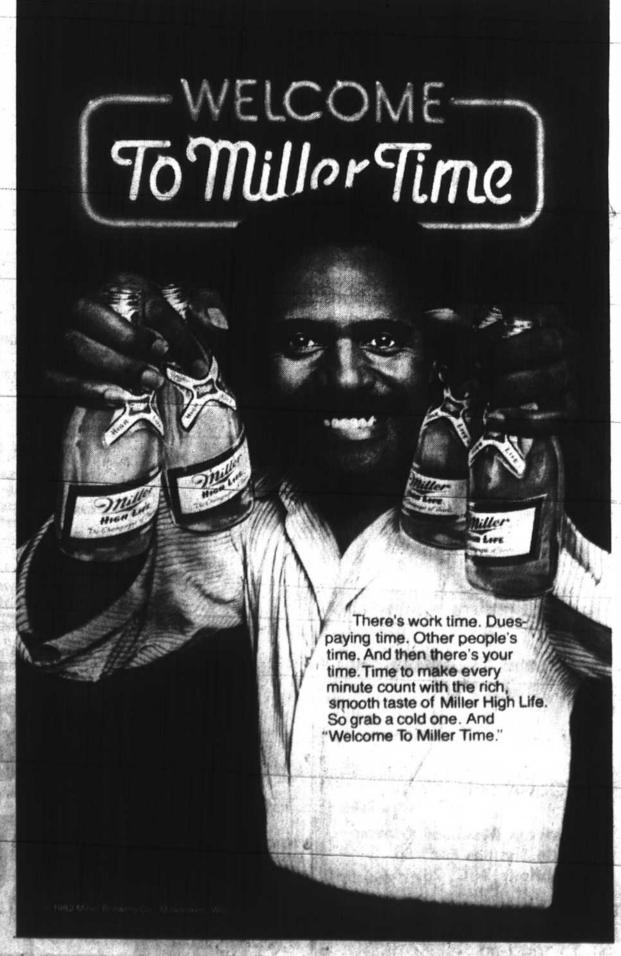
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Phil Neely ... Top amateur golfer

Phil Neely: One Of

City's Better Golfers Post Sports Writer Phil Neely has a

reputation of being one of the better golfers in town. When he is not on his salesmanship job at Pepsi-Cola, he is on the golf course. The native of Rock Hill, South Carolina picked up the game when he was 25 years old.

"I was a caddy at Rock Hill Country Club and the more I caddled the more I began to believe that this was the game for me," he

He attended Emmett Scott High School in Rock Hill and said he likes the sport of golf better than

There is not as much running as football or as

honors include winning the East Mecklenburg Optimist Tournament, the Golfer's of America Larkhaven Tournament and teaming with Donald Littlejohn to finish second in the Mecklenburg Four Ball tournament.
What would Phil tell

ne who was trying golf for the first time?

golf for the first time?

"I would tell them that it is very important to grip the club properly," he said. "If you don't learn to hold the club properly, you will not swing properly and you will never learn to play the game with any success. If you learn this you will always have fun at golf. "Also you have to

"Also you have to remember to keep an eye on the ball," said the golfer who plays year round. "There is no season in golf, you can play year-round. That is another thing that I like about this game."

for alumni to help scout the area talent and make the effort to convince a prospect to visit the school. Winning football seasons don't happen overnight nor without the involvement of many people who want a

tember 29), S.C. State October 20), and Winston-Salem State (October 27).

ambulance service in Charlotte and Mecklenburg

The new numbers will be published in the Southern Bell telephone directory to be distributed in late June and early July.