

Hinton Emerges As 49ers' Individual Scoring Leader

By James Cuthbertson
Post Sports Writer

At the end of every storm there is a rainbow and in this turbulent season, that has seen the University of North Carolina at Charlotte 49ers plummet to its worst start in history, the eye of the storm is a big 6 foot 8, 235-pound freshman named Clinton Hinton, who played his high school ball under coach Bob Nastase at Myers Park.

Hinton has emerged as the scoring leader of the team and looks like NBA material.

Playing sparingly in the opener, he has come into his own, averaging 23 points and 8.2 rebounds in the last eight games including a performance in the Toledo Blade City Classic that got him named to the All-Tournament Team.

He is the first freshman to be named in the nine-year history of the event.

Hinton hit 34 points against Idaho in the third place game of the Classic on 15 of 19 from the floor for an outstanding percentage of 79 percent.

For the past six games he is



Clinton Hinton
.....6'8", 235-pound freshman

averaging 24.8 points and 9.4 rebounds. His star is rising. He leads the team in scoring with 15.9 average, field goal shooting with 58.6 percent, and foul shooting with 74.1 percent and is second in rebounding with 6.2 per game.

When Hal Wissel signed Clinton

Hinton, he said, "I am glad that my first signee from Charlotte is a player of Clinton Hinton's caliber. He will add a great deal to our program."

He has not disappointed the coach. "Clinton has explosive talent and athletic ability which enables him to be a quick and active inside scoring threat, rebounder, and shot blocker," continued Wissel.

"Most of all, he loves to play the game and his natural enthusiasm is contagious to his teammates and fans alike.

In minor categories, Hinton has blocked six shots and had six steals.

Hinton said he chose UNCC to help the team and to play in his hometown.

He is the son of Mrs. Maggie Craig and is only 19 year old. He was recruited heavily by Alabama, West Virginia and Western Carolina.

Woodcarving Show

Get our your whittlin' knives because the third annual Woodcarving Show will begin on February 22-23, 1985.

This will be the third annual Woodcarving Show held by the Charlotte Parks and Recreation Department and the Charlotte Woodcarving Club. There will be two divisions for competition: Hobbyist Division and Professional Division with 12 categories in each division. The categories include animals, fish, song birds, birds of prey, waterfowl, shorebirds, human figures, caricatures, miniature ducks, relief, stylized carving and miscellaneous.

Entries will be judged on such criteria as design, quality, neatness, texture, proportion, etc.

Golden Bulls Host Livingstone Bears Saturday Night

Special To The Post

The annual 100 Club game to raise funds for benefiting the Johnson C. Smith athletic department will be held Saturday night with Livingstone providing the opposition. The 100 Club was established in 1966 to help out the athletic department. Advance tickets from club members are only \$3 compared to the normal \$5 door charge. Three \$100 door prizes will be drawn at halftime of the men's game. Winners need not be present to win.

While the men's team has strug-

gled since the holiday break, the JCSU women have made an impressive bid for a national ranking. The ladies defeated 1984 NCAA II runners-up Virginia Union in Richmond, 65-62, last Saturday. After a slow start the next night against a feisty St. Pauls, Smith stormed back from a 17-point halftime deficit to win, 63-59.

"Cassandra Howell has started to play like she is capable of and the entire team has demonstrated the character and resolve to be champions," remarked head coach Steve

Joyner.

Howell scored 23 points and collected 15 rebounds against Union, while contributing 21 points and 20 rebounds in the comeback win over St. Paul's.

The women's 10-2 record marks the best start in the program's basketball history.

Sophomore forward Dante Johnson has also been on a tear for the men's team, averaging 23 points and 14 rebounds in his last five games.



...SION
...that it's costing now, then it was
...0 years ago!
...keeping close check on Jackson State's
...Burkett. He's considered a top pro
...go high in the upcoming draft.
...Coppin State of Baltimore has joined
...Athletic Conference? The latest addition
...eight members, five of which are
...Delaware-Maryland-Washington, D.C.,
...black college standouts Joe Binion of A&T,
...of Winston-Salem State; and David Pope of
...are presently performing in the Continental
...Association.
...State, which has been away from the
...courts since December 8, will return to action
...Saturday night against Shaw in Raleigh. The contest
...marks the first of three consecutive conference games for
...Jake Ford's team. Incidentally, Jake is sending out rave
...notices about freshman Ronald Caulder, a 6'4" jumping
...jack who leads the Broncos in rebounding with a 17-
...carom-per-game average.

Black Entertainment Television (BET) taped Virginia Union's lopsided win over Johnson C. Smith in Richmond last week. The game will be telecast over Channel 26 Saturday night.

Wonder why there was no information released on this? Phil Busher, one of the most popular people in the area, resigned his Sports Information Director post at Johnson C. Smith effective January 31. The Golden Bulls have suffered a great loss.

Odelia Johns and Cassandra Howell continue to set the scoring pace for the Johnson C. Smith women cagers, who owned an 8-1 record before the Christmas break. Johnson - a 48.8 shooter - is scoring at a 19.3 clip while Howell, who has canned 63.7 percent of her floor shots, is scoring at a 14.8 gait.

SAY YOU SAW IT HERE, FIRST - Washington Redskins runningback John Riggins may have run himself into retirement. The oldest player in NFL history to gain more than 1,000 yards in a season, Riggins has been in and out of the hospital for the past six weeks. There's a clause in New York outfielder Steve Kemp's contract that requires the Yankees to pay him \$200,000 if he's traded.

PREDICT - The addition of catcher Gary Carter will make the New York Mets a serious pennant contender in the National League East. Miami will emerge as Super Bowl XIX Champs.

The Atlanta Braves will be seen in 34 million homes this spring and summer, up from 28.1 million in 1983. Super Station WTBS-TV has provided Ted Turner's team with the largest rooting section in baseball.

Cornerback Eric Wright or defensive back Ronnie Lott will be named as the San Francisco 49ers' "Most Valuable" players in the Super Bowl while wide receiver Mark Clayton or linebacker A. J. Duhe receive the same honor for the Miami Dolphins.

Houston's Warren Moon will become a top NFL quarterback in two seasons.

This may surprise you - Bart Starr, former Green Bay Packers coach and star quarterback, is headed for Tampa Bay, Fla., to replace John McKay as head coach of the Buccaneers.

Doug Flutie, Boston College's sensational quarterback, isn't perfect. He didn't earn a position on the 24-man 1984 Academic All-American Team, picked by the college sports information directors of America. As a matter of fact, the "Little Wizard" didn't make Honorable Mention!

Promoters are close to finalizing a deal to match Tennessee State and Mississippi Valley State in the Hoosier Dome in Indianapolis next fall. The exciting Delta Devils attracted more than 40,000 fans to the Dome last season.

In my opinion, Georgetown will lose two regular season contests this winter, but John Thompson's all-stars will regroup in time to capture the NCAA Tournament Championship. I like what I've seen of Villanova thus far.

SUDDEN THOUGHT - Why does Charlotte need a new and larger coliseum when it seldom fills the 11,000 seats in the old dome?

A SAD - CASE OF MISPLACED VALUES - Pitcher Vida Blue, who excited black America to new heights back in the 60's and 70's, has failed in his bid to return to major league baseball. The Ponce Lions of the Puerto Rican Winter League gave the big southpaw his release last week. Blue won the Cy Young Award in 1971, but was suspended in 1984 because of drug use.

The Golden Bulls will be looking to snap a four-game losing streak when they tangle with Livingstone College in a CIAA headliner here Saturday night. The Bears will be out to end an 11-game losing streak to the host Bulls.

I'd like to encourage ABC to keep O. J. Simpson with the "Monday Night Football" team. I found him refreshingly interesting. More so than Howard Cosell.

Grambling coach Eddie Robinson warns, "My players can wear their hair as long as they want and dress any way they want - if they can afford to pay their own tuition, meals and board!"

Ed Martin says he resigned as basketball coach at Tennessee State "because of a lack of administrative support" and "a 25 percent reduction of the basketball budget."

We remember him as a

"drum major for justice"

Martin Luther King Jr.



The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. wanted to be remembered as a "drum major for justice." He is so remembered. And he, by his life's example, still leads us towards justice. Towards the fulfillment of his dream. Today we honor Dr. King and his memory. Today, and for all tomorrows, we are committed to helping fulfill his dream.



WE'VE GOT IT ALL!

- Church News
- Business News
- Sports
- Entertainment
- Editorials
- And Much More

