

Visiting Teams Of Southport, Floyd's Sweep Holiday Cage Twin-Bills

Dixon Big Gun As Dolphs Trip Whiteville, 65-40

By JIGGS POWERS
 HALLSBORO—Donald "Dunker" Dixon, the big Southport Dolphin center with the feather-like touch, was the main difference here, Friday night, as Coach Pete Lee's Brunswick County quint whipped Whiteville's courageous but undemanded Wolfpack, 65-40, and swept both its games in the First Annual Columbus Holiday Invitational Doubleheader.

Floyd's, S. C. downed Hallsboro, 50-45, in Friday's other tilt. Dixon, the 6'2" pivotman of Lee's Red-and-White brigade, had scored 25 points, Thursday, as his Dolphs vanquished Hallsboro's Tigers, 59-50, in the "header" opening game. Friday night, against the boys from the Columbus capital, he raised his ante to 30 points and grabbed rebounds a-plenty while doing the job.

He had defensive rebounding help from Rodney Garner and some fancy passing from Lefty C. E. Murphy. Foxie Howard, a reserve, tallied 10 points for the winners. For Coach Buck Jolly's Whiteville crew, a sub guard, Dempsey Herring, sank 8 points and joined

Bill High and Robert Plasky in defensive leadership. Whiteville, welcoming their ace, Robert Leder, back to the fold after a day's absence from the holiday program, had Lady Luck turn its back on them again as Leder was injured in the first quarter of the Southport game. He was hurt as he hit on his first field-goal and played only briefly the remainder of the game, due to a bad ankle. He scored but 6 points, well under the 20-plus he had averaged in other games of the early card.

The Pack fought gamely and held onto an 11-11 tie at the end of the first quarter, but the superior speed of the Lee-coached crew and the fine under-the-boards work of Dixon combined to pull the Brunswick Countians away from the co-hosts in the final half.

Bill High hit on a push with 7:34 left in the first quarter to give Whiteville a 2-0 lead and Rodney Garner tallied at 7:10 to tie it for Southport. Leder made it 4-2, Whiteville with a two-hander at 6:41 and began limping immediately afterward. Dixon's first bucket tied it, 4-4, at 6:14 and Garner sank two fouls at 5:18 to make it 6-4, Southport.

Leder, though injured, gave his club the lead at 11-10, on a jump shot with 1:10 left in the quarter, but Frankie Rogers hit on a foul shot to make it 11-11 at the turn. Dixon, using his soft turnshot after grabbing a rebound at 7:22, tallied and the Dolphs were out front, 13-11. Freddie Barkley grabbed a rebound and stuffed it in for the Wolves to tie the count for them one more time at 6:25, 13-13, but Dixon chalked up a 3-pointer at 6:17 to make it

Regular Event!

HALLSBORO—Mack Edwards, director of the First Annual Columbus County Holiday Invitational Basketball Doubleheader, held at Hallsboro's gym, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 28-29, said that the event had been declared a success.

"So far as I know at this time," Edwards said today, "we plan to make this holiday program an annual affair for the sports-loving public of Columbus County and the entire area. I feel that it has a definite purpose in our lives during the Christmas time and I feel that it will grow with the years!"

Attendance was good, considering the short notice the public was given about the Doubleheader being held. Edwards decided to hold the program only a week before Christmas. Next year, with more planning and working time, it should be more successful.

The two invading teams, Southport's Dolphs and Floyd's S. C. Wildcats, treated the co-host teams of Hallsboro and Whiteville roughly in the two-night event. Thursday night, Southport downed Hallsboro, 59-50 and Floyd's beat Whiteville, 60-41. Friday scores showed Southport beating Whiteville, 65-40; and Floyd's edging Hallsboro, 50-45.—(JP).

Floyd's Wins 50-45, As Tigers Pull Near Upset

By MIKE SIMMONS

HALLSBORO—Floyd's, S. C., edged Hallsboro, 50-45, here Friday night in a game that was a thriller all the way. It was the final contest of the first Annual Columbus Holiday Invitational doubleheader.

Southport downed Whiteville, 65-40, in the opening game of the night.

The Wildcats from down South hardly looked like the team that one point at 6:10 in the second quarter on Donnie Rhodes' 20 foot jumper and regained the lead, 19-18, a minute later on a rebound shot by Snake Russell. The lead changed hands again and again and Dixon and Faircloth traded baskets. Then Dixon hit again to give the winners a lead which the Tigers never overcame. Murphy hit two straight jump shots and the Dolphs were on their way. Suddenly moving into a full court press, they built their lead to a solid 12 points at the 1:40 mark. They held an eight point halftime lead, 35-27.

Coach Mack Edwards' Tigers came back in the third quarter with a 1-3-1 zone and scored the first six points of the frame to pull within two. This was as close as they got, however, as the Tigers could not overcome the sparking play of Dixon and Murphy.

With Murphy hitting long jumpers and the 6-2 Dixon stuffing in those his mates missed, the Dolphs were never threatened again.

SOUTHPORT ... 14.21.12.12...59
 HALLSBORO ... 11.16.11.12...50

SOUTHPORT (59)—Rodney Garner 14, Frankie Rogers, Donald Dixon 25, Clive Doshier 2, C. E. Murphy 18. Subs—Foxie Howard, Jerry Spencer. HALLSBORO (50)—Ronald Faircloth 15, Melvin Brown 2, C. Y. Powell 4, Johnny FormyDuval 6, Jimmy Hines 9. Subs—Donnie Rhodes 10, Snake Russell 4.

swamped Whiteville, 60-41, the night before, but an aggressive Hallsboro defense had much to do with this. The Tigs ran a tight zone defense most of the contest, collapsing three and four men on 6-4½ pivotman Cary Elvington when he had the ball. This bit of strategy "held" the high-scoring center to 14 points and forced the 'Cats to shoot from the outside.

Albert Johnson opened the scoring with a jumper at the 6:20 mark, but Jimmy Hines came back for the Tigers with a bucket to tie the count seconds later. Elvington sandwiched the next two field goals around a Tiger free throw and the score stood, 6-3. Floyd's Ossie Buffkin hit for the 'Cats, Hines followed with another jumper, and Randy Shelly hit as the buzzer sounded to make the score, 12-8, Floyd's at the quarter mark.

Hines continued to have the hot hand for the Tigers as he cut the lead to two at the 7:40 mark of the second quarter. Shelly hit two straight sets to push the lead up to six, but Hines and Melvin Brown hit for the Tigs to cut it back to two. Then Ronald Faircloth knotted it at 16-all with 4:35 showing on the clock. A Shelly bucket and two free throws sent the 'Cats back in front by four. Johnny FormyDuval and Elvington traded baskets, the Tigs hit a couple of free throws, and Elvington hit again and the score stood, 26-20 FHS, at the half.

Floyd's maintained its six-point lead throughout the third quarter and held a 38-32 lead going into

the fourth frame. The Wildcats built up their biggest lead, 12 points, early in the final quarter as they hit three straight buckets. Hallsboro began to move at this point and fought back to cut the lead to one, 46-45, at the 1:10 mark with Faircloth and Brown leading the surge. The Tigs could not score again, however, as the 'Cats froze the ball and hit four free throws to wind up the scoring.

Floyd's had four men in double figures. Randy Shelly led the attack with 15, but he was followed closely by Cary Elvington with 14, Danny Hammond with 13, and Albert Johnson with 12. Melvin Brown of the Tigers was high man in the game with 16. Jimmy Hines had 10.

FLOYD'S (50)—Randy Shelly 15, Ossie Buffkin 4, Cary Elvington 14, Albert Johnson 12, Huey Bullock 2. Subs—Danny Hammond 13, James Causey. HALLSBORO (45)—Melvin Brown 16, Ronald Faircloth 9, C. Y. Powell 4, Jimmy Hines 10, Johnny FormyDuval 4. Subs—Snake Russell 2, Donnie Rhodes.

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Southport Slaps Tigs In Opener Of Doubleheader

By MIKE SIMMONS

HALLSBORO—The Southport Dolphs, led by husky center Donald Dixon, downed the Hallsboro Tigers, 59-50, here Thursday night in the opening game of the First Annual Columbus Invitational doubleheader.

Floyd's, S. C., slapped Whiteville, 60-41, in the second game. Dixon pumped in 25 points and snagged rebounds from all angles in pacing the smooth-working Dolphs. C. E. Murphy added 18 and played an outstanding floor game. Ronald Faircloth racked up 15 points for the host Tigers and Donnie Rhodes had 10.

Coach Pete Lee's Brunswick County crew grabbed a 2-0 lead at the 7:34 mark on Dixon's soft jumper but the Tigs came back to make it 4-2 on successive baskets by Faircloth and Melvin Brown. Southport hit a bucket and a free throw to take a lead they didn't relinquish until midway the second quarter. They built it to as much as five and the score stood, 14-11, at the quarter.

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ASSETS and RESOURCES	TOTAL	GENERAL COUNTY	BOARD OF EDUCATION
Petty Cash and Change Funds	176.77	175.00	1.77
Cash In Banks	164,012.66	33,077.65	130,935.01
Savings & Loan Deposits	49,709.78	49,709.78	
Unpaid Taxes Less Estimated			
Amount For Uncollectibles	97,121.16	64,794.18	32,326.98
Inter - Fund Accounts	3,534.67	2,095.60	1,439.07
Property	647,447.20		647,447.20
Amount To Provide Future Payments			
On Outstanding Bonds	1,296,574.35	1,270,467.75	26,106.60
TOTAL	\$2,258,576.59	\$1,420,319.96	\$ 838,256.63
LIABILITIES, RESERVES and FUND BALANCES			
1961 Taxes Paid In Advance	9,422.10	9,422.10	
Inter - Fund Accounts	2,428.60	2,251.64	176.96
Reserves For Unpaid Bills	11,589.41	11,589.41	
BONDS OUTSTANDING:			
State Literary Fund	26,106.60		26,106.60
General County Obligations ..	1,270,467.75	1,270,467.75	
Invested In Property	647,447.20		647,447.20
Fund Balance & Surplus	291,114.93	126,589.06	164,525.87
TOTAL	\$2,258,576.59	\$1,420,319.96	\$ 838,256.63
SUMMARY OF 1960 LEVY:			
Total Property	30,972,560.00	1.31	405,737.86
Poll Taxes			6,780.00
Dog Taxes			2,652.00
Delinquent Penalties & After Lists			906.21
Special District Tax			9,923.43
TOTAL			\$ 425,999.50
Percentage Of Taxes Collected At 6 - 30 - 61			81.8%

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