

Norlina And Warrenton Split Hard-Fought Games

John Graham and Norlina basketball teams split games here in two hard-fought and often tense games on Tuesday night, the Norlina girls winning by 48 to 41 and the John Graham boys by the score of 48-35.

The John Graham girls netted a basket the first time they got their hands on the ball and behind the outside shooting of Rideout and Adams piled up a 16 to 8 lead at the end of the first quarter. Coach Price shifted his defense and the visitors held John Graham to 5 points in the second period while scoring 12 points to come within one point of tying the locals at the end of the half. Third quarter play was a repetition of the second and Norlina racked in 15 points while holding John Graham to 6. The final quarter was a scoring duel as the locals began to click and netted 14 points to Norlina's 13, but the rally came too late to stave off two bad quarters.

John Graham's defeat could be attributed to stellar work on the part of the Norlina guards, who used a pressing zone defense effectively after the first quarter. Play of the

Warrenton guards were excellent, although their man-to-man defense could not prevent Norlina from going in for lay-ups from time to time. But they stole the ball from Norlina time after time only to find good guard work on the part of the Norlina girls nullified their efforts.

Rideout was high scorer for John Graham with 19 points with Judy Adams scoring 17. Williams led Norlina with 19 points while Stegall netted 18.

Boys Game

Clinton Neal with 19 points, plus some good ball handling and rebounding led John Graham to its victory over Norlina in the nightcap in a game marked by its intensity of play in which four Norlina and two Warrenton players fouled out.

Good work under the backboards, plus several costly mistakes in ball handling by Norlina was responsible for the margin of victory. In spite of the difference in score, the game was tense throughout and so were the spectators.

The boys game was almost a duplicate of the girls game in reverse. The first and final quarters were played on

GIRLS GAME	
Warrenton	Norlina
Adams 17	Stegall 18
Rideout 19	Edwards 11
Davis 1	Williams 19
Robertson 0	Ellis 4
Peoples 0	
Guards: Warrenton Wilson, Miller, James, Fuller, Carroll; Norlina—Rooker, Felts, Stainback.	
Games by quarters:	
Warrenton	16 5 6 14—41
Norlina	8 12 15 13—48

BOY GAME	
Warrenton	Norlina
Neal 19	J. Hundley 6
Clark 9	Hicks 6
Rooker 3	J. Perkinson 6
Link 3	Collier 0
Haithecock 6	F. Perkinson 2
Mitchiner 2	A. Hundley 1
White 6	Fuller 12
	Pearce 0
	Williams 2
Games by quarters:	
Warrenton	9 9 14 16—48
Norlina	10 5 4 16—35
Fouling out: John Graham—Haithecock, Rooker; Norlina—Hundley, Hicks, F. Perkinson, Fuller.	

Weldon Boys Maintain Conference Lead By Defeating Davie; Girls Win

ROANOKE RAPIDS — Weldon's hard pressed but still victorious Tornados ruled the Halifax-Warren Conference with an iron fist today after edging out a die-hard William R. Davie five 47-43 Tuesday night at Davie.

The Tornados are now 7-0 in the conference and second place Davie is 5-2, having missed an opportunity Tuesday night to tie the Weldon team

for the loop lead.

Weldon made a clean sweep of the night, winning the girls' game with ease 52-31, playing subs throughout most of the second half.

Davie was clobbered at Weldon earlier in the year 71-39 but last night displayed vast improvement as they passed over and around the Weldon press forcing the Tornados to throw three men in a down court press in an effort to rattle the Blue Devil's offense.

If the finger of fate had to reach out and touch an event which marked the turning of the tide it would be the moment Davie lost Lonnie Harris. Harris fouled out with four minutes remaining, but after riding the bench with four fouls through much of the third period he came in and sparked a Davie rally which carried them to within four points of the Tornados.

In the dying moments both teams lost many players by the foul route. With one minute left Davie pulled back to within four points of Weldon again but fell back once more on free throws by Jimmy Etheridge.

Junior Varsity Takes 27-17 Win Over Littleton

John Graham High School Junior Varsity boys took a 27 to 17 victory over visiting Littleton here on Monday afternoon.

Led by Billy Benson and Roddy Drake, the John Graham boys took a final quarter lead and held it all the way. Only in the final quarter were the visitors able to match Warrenton's scoring as each team scored 9 points.

Billy Benson, the only player on either team to hit in double figures, led John Graham with 10 points. Moore, with 7 points, led Littleton.

Warrenton	Littleton
Benson 10	Myrick 0
Shearin 0	Perkinson 6
Rivers 4	Harris 1
Fleming 4	Williams 2
Prynter 1	Moore 7
Drake 8	Acree 1
Blaylock 0	Pitt 0
Billy Shearin 0	
Overby 0	
Score by quarters:	
Warrenton	4 9 5 9—27
Littleton	1 4 3 9—17

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Standings

BOYS	
Weldon	7-0
Davie	5-2
Warrenton	5-3
Enfield	3-3
Norlina	2-5
Aurelian Springs	1-5
Littleton	1-6

GIRLS	
Littleton	7-0
Aurelian Springs	5-1
Enfield	4-2
Norlina	4-3
Weldon	3-4
Warrenton	1-7
Davie	0-7

The nation's farm work force dropped to an annual average of 7.1 million persons in 1960. This was four per cent below 1959.

About ten years elapses between the beginning of new farm research and the adoption of it by farmers in sizeable numbers.

Cards of Thanks

Copy for cards of thanks must be in this office by Tuesday night, earlier if possible, accompanied by 50c to cover cost of insertion.

The family of the late Ollie Daniel Ellis, Sr., wish to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to our friends and relatives for every expression of sympathy and kindness shown during our recent bereavement.

MRS. O. D. ELLIS, SR. AND FAMILY

We wish to express our appreciation to the many friends and relatives for the many acts of kindness shown us at the time of the death of our father, the late Samuel Cheek.

THE CHEEK FAMILY

Littleton Girls Win Last Minute Basket Gives John Graham Boys Victory

John Graham boys won and the John Graham girls lost in a make-up game played at Littleton on Monday night, the boys winning 52 to 51 and the girls losing 71 to 61 in a scoring exhibition the likes of which has seldom been seen in Warren-Halifax Conference play.

Littleton almost made it two in a row, but John Graham boys snatched the victory out of the fire with a basket in the dying seconds of play.

The girls game developed into a scoring duel between Margaret Hedgepeth of Littleton and Margaret Rideout of Warrenton, with Hedgepeth holding a 10-point edge, as she netted 47 points to Rideout's 37. This, as it turned out, was the difference in the final score.

Littleton took a 3-point lead in the first quarter and increased it in the second and third quarters for a 21 point lead, but John Graham came through in the final quarter to score 22 points while holding the locals to 11, but the margin was too big to be overcome by the rally.

Boys Game

In spite of 21 points by Clinton Neal and 16 by Herman Rooker, John Graham was lucky to have won a 52-51 point against determined play on the part of the Littleton boys.

Littleton took a first quarter lead and maintained it to the half, with the score 27 to 24 as the first half ended. John Graham surged ahead in the third quarter to take a 3-point lead, but Littleton came back in the final quarter and went ahead with only seconds

to play when a basket was scored by Warrenton for the victory.

Littleton leading 51-50 on two free throws by Jimmy Harvey went down court with around 15 seconds remaining and held off a Warrenton field goal try, taking possession on the out-of-bounds with three seconds remaining.

The loss in was made under pressure but alert Gordon Haithecock standing under the net stole the pass, laid it in before the ball hit the floor the buzzer had sounded with Warrenton fans flooding the court in a frenzy of happiness.

Rooker and Clark fouled out for John Graham and Stainback fouled out for Littleton.

GIRLS GAME	
John Graham	Littleton
Adams 18	Hedgepeth 47
Rideout 37	B. J. West 19
Robertson 0	Thorne 14
Davis 5	Acree 0
Peoples 0	Wood 0
Ellis 1	
Guards: John Graham—Wilson, Miller, James, Fuller; Littleton—B. West, Clark, Johnson, Rose, Thorne, Stainback, Hilliard.	
Score by quarters:	
John Graham	11 13 15 22—61
Littleton	14 25 21 11—71

BOYS GAME	
John Graham	Littleton
Neal 21	Neville 9
Fleming 0	J. Harvey 6
Clark 5	Stainback 7
Rooker 16	Cheves 7
Link	Barrett 14
Haithecock 5	Leach 8
Mitchiner 2	Moore 0
White 0	
Score by quarters:	
John Graham	8 16 17 11—52
Littleton	12 15 11 13—51

Conference Tournament To Run For Six-Day Period Instead of Five

The annual Halifax-Warren conference basketball tournament will be held over the course of six days instead of five as originally scheduled.

The move to do away with tripleheaders on the opening days of the tournament met with approval of coaches and principals of the seven conference schools which were represented here at a conference meeting on Wednesday at the John Graham High School.

The conference voted to follow the recommendation of Warren School Superintendent J. R. Peeler and do away with the triple headers on Monday and Tuesday. Peeler said that he believed both the tournament and conference would benefit by adding another day and lessening the number of games played in a single day at the outset.

The single elimination tournament, slated to get underway at the Aurelian Springs gymnasium on February 20, will consist of two elimination games for the first four nights, two semi-final games on Friday night, and the championship games in boys' and girls' division on Saturday night. No

afternoon games are scheduled. Although the pairings will not be determined until after the regular season is over, and coaches hold a meeting on February 18, it was decided to let the team which finishes first in each division draw a first-round bye. This team, along with the teams which finished fourth and fifth in each division will compose the top bracket of the tournament. In the lower bracket, the team finishing second will play the seventh-place team, while the third-place team meets the team finishing sixth.

The conference also voted to hire officials from Roanoke Rapids to referee the tournament, and decided to hold their conference meeting on the third Wednesday in September. J. F. Hockaday, principal of John Graham High School, presided over the meeting held here.

About 80,000 cows on North Carolina farms were bred artificially in 1959. This represents about 21 per cent of the state's dairy animals.

Easter Seals help when crippling strikes.

Warrenton To Play Weldon Here Tonight

The Littleton Lady Jays will be attempting to tighten their grip on first place in the girls division of the Halifax-Warren Conference tonight when they meet Enfield's girls tonight in a game to be played on Littleton's home court.

The Lady Jays, rolling along the second half of the season with a record of eight wins and no losses, have had more success than the Littleton boys team, which meets the Blue Demons in the second game of tonight's double-header.

Warrenton will be going against a strong Weldon boys team which is undefeated in conference play here tonight. In the first meeting of these two clubs, Warrenton was able to score only nine points in the first half on Weldon's home court. The visitors came back in the second half to score 42 points but the game was out of reach.

Coach Fate King's charges will be hoping for a better first half when they face Coach Don Johnson's quintet here tonight. In the first game of tonight's twinbill here, Warrenton forwards Judy Adams and Margaret Rideout, scoring leaders for Warrenton, will be trying to out-point Glo Elias, Weldon's high scoring forward who hits the nets with consistent ease each game.

Norlina will get a breathing spell as it steps out of the conference for tonight's opponent, The Blue Waves will meet Gold Sand at Norlina in the last non-loop game of the year for Coach Bob Price's teams.

Tuesday night Norlina will host Enfield, Warrenton will meet Aurelian Springs on the Jacket's home court, and Littleton will be playing host to Davie.

Crown Jewels Symbolize Golden Age of Pagentry

WASHINGTON — A modern Raffles would be hard pressed to realize the dream of his profession—stealing the crown jewels.

With the decline of monarchy, few great collections of Royal gems remain intact or in public view, the National Geographic Society says. The fabulous hoard of the Russian Tsars is one notable exception; it lies in Aladdin caves in the heart of the Kremlin. Denmark's gems glitter in super-safe glass cases in Rosenberg Palace, Copenhagen. Britain's Regalia, displayed in the Tower of London, are protected by ingenious rays and every other appropriate resource of science.

Keepers of Britain's Jewel House have long been amused by known burglars who come to feast upon the sight, their faces reflecting with equal intensity avarice and frustration.

Some Attempts Successful

Despite all precautions, however, imperial treasurers are occasionally hijacked. Hitler's henchmen made off with many royal jewels. Part of the fam-

ed Rothschild Collection disappeared during the Nazi occupation of France, but was later found in a Frankfurt bank vault. At war's end, three American Army officers, one a woman, lifted the Hesian jewels from a castle near Frankfurt.

In 1953 thieves scaled the walls of the Hohenzollern castle in southern Germany and snatched the Prussian crown jewels—none of which was insured. Curiously, the burglars left behind the Kaiser's crown.

Political storms of the 20th century also have dispersed the royal symbols amassed through the centuries.

Not long ago, gems that once adorned Queen Geraldine of Albania went on sale in New York, reportedly for funds to help Albanians in exile.

Blue bloods, since the onset of the golden age of monarchy, have found their diamonds not only to be comforting friends, but as negotiable as blue-chip stocks. Crown jewels have helped build palaces, outfit armies and navies, and paid the dowries of princesses. Not a few expensive baubles have vanished into pawn shops or been pledged as security for loans.

Cromwell Destroyed Regalia

Though Britain's present Regalia can hardly be equalled in richness and splendor, they are not particularly old. Original pieces were destroyed under the Commonwealth in 1649.

Oliver Cromwell, in his frenzy to rid England of all traces of monarchy, tossed diadems, swords, vestments, bracelets, and other insignia into the melting pot. Lost for all time were such irreplaceable objects as the Crowns of Edward the Confessor and Alfred the Great.

New regalia had to be made for the restoration of Charles II. Many old gems, notably the Black Prince's ruby, were fortunately recovered. The Imperial State Crown, worn by Elizabeth II at her coronation, contained the egg-sized ruby, as well as the Second Star of Africa and 2,800 lesser diamonds. It is the world's most valuable single piece of jewelry.

Even in a world that has little time for pomp, an aura of romantic intrigue surrounds surviving crown jewels. In the Russian diamond treasury

is the 200 carat Orloff, once the eye of a Mysore idol. Passing from hand to hand amid violence and deceit, it was finally bought for \$450,000 by the exiled Prince Orloff to regain favor with Catherine the Great. His thoughtful little present failed to win Catherine's hand, as he had hoped, but she consoled him with the gift of a marble palace.

Bullock Named Director

M. C. Bullock of Bullock Oil Company of Warrenton was elected a director of the East Carolina Oil Heat Council for a one-year term at a meeting held at Smithfield on Tuesday. C. Victor Smith of Goldsboro was named as the council's first full-time managing director.

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