

# John Graham High Splits Games At Littleton

LITTLETON — The Warrenton Yellow Jackets got a late start in their basketball season but, this week, have made their presence felt. The Jackets walloped Littleton 58-37 here Friday night for their second straight win.

The Littleton lassies continued their winning ways in the night's opener, trimming the Jacket girls 26-22. The victory was the fifth against one loss for Littleton. The Warrenton girls are now 1-1.

Warrenton had little trouble in picking up its second Roanoke Conference win of the week. The Jackets went ahead in the first period and never trailed. At the half the Jackets had built up an 11 point lead, 26-15. The second half was not much different. Warrenton added 32 points, and limited Littleton to 22.

The Littleton girls had to come from behind in the fourth period before they could pull out the win. Trailing 18-16 going into the last quarter, Littleton high for 8 points. All scored by May Lois West and limited Warrenton to four.

Littleton jumped ahead in the

first quarter and, at the half, led at the half 13-9. Warrenton came on strong in the third period and hit for nine and held Littleton to three.

### GIRLS GAME

Warrenton (22)	Littleton (26)
Carol 10	M. West 22
Tunstel 6	C. West 1
Roberts 2	Manley 2
Rodwell 2	Warren 1
Peoples 0	Williams 0
Mustian 0	Newsom 0

Substitutes: Warrenton—Floyd, Tucker, Watkins, Littleton—Clark.

Score by quarters:  
Warrenton 2 7 9 4-22  
Littleton 9 6 6 16-37

### BOYS GAME

Warrenton (58)	Littleton (37)
Capps 18	Wilson 9
Taylor 11	Let 16
Checks 7	Gilchrist 8
Floyd 9	Kearney 0
Thompson 11	Williams 0

Substitutes: Warrenton—Robertson 2, Case, Davis, G. Floyd, Hunter, Clayton, Littleton—Williams, Johnson 2, Newsom, Alston, Johnston, Silver, Harris, Ross.

Score by quarters:  
Littleton 9 6 6 16-37

# The Night Santa Rode The Southbound Train

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(This verse by Isabel McKeithen Thomas of Hamlet is based on an actual incident about 10 years ago when Mrs. Thomas, her husband and their three children—two girls and a boy—were living in Cameron.)

But then my thoughts brightened, I ran to the phone, With matters like this, he would have to come home!

THE CREW CLERK in Raleigh had stepped out that night, But the kind operator, when she heard my sad plight, Dialed the yard master who promised that he Would contact my husband, have him to call me.

WHEN HE DROVE into Raleigh, his spirits quite low, Pulled up to the round house, ready to go, On the run came the yard master, "Oh, boy, are you sunk! Open up and see what you have in your trunk!" Resourceful railroader! Dear thoughtful man! Calls me and says, "Now this is my plan. 'The Star' is the train that I'm riding tonight, Non-stop to Hamlet, but that is all right, For we always go slowly thru Southern Pines town, Be at the station, I'll throw these things down."

THE HOUR it was late and the sky it was black That Christmas Eve night by the SAL track. The crowd at the station all thought it great fun. The agent, the porter, and just everyone Pushed out to the track in the drizzling rain, To see good St. Nicholas arrive on the train. Away in the distance we heard the train blow, The motors died down, they were coming in slow. The light from "The Star" shown down on the crowd. There were tears on my cheeks, but inside I was proud As I watched him lean down, tow bag in his hand; Santa had come, though not as I'd planned!

I REACHED for the bag, Santa smiled down at me, "Merry Christmas," he said, and I knew it would be. For Christmas is more than one day in December, It's loving and giving, and this I'll remember. The crowd laughed and cheered as I walked up the track, A smile on my face, Santa's pack on my back. And I thought of the man who on this glad night, Was riging the rails, even now out of sight. Because of the love he had for us all The same as at Bethlehem, if you will recall.

THE BABE in the manger, the Angel Choir, too, Revealed a great love for me and for you. And just as the Star in those far days of old, Brought happiness, joy, for numbers untold, So the light of this "Star", on this Christmas Eve night, As it shone down on me, brought a whole new insight Of responsible love, of things we hold dear, That makes Christmas last throughout the whole year.

ISABEL MCKEITHEN THOMAS



When Santa arrived with a sneeze and a cough, For the Seaboard had said, "There'll be no marking off!" I begged and I pleaded, "Pretend you are sick. You must be around to greet Old St. Nick!" But sternly he spoke, in a voice hard and tight, "I'll be riding 'The Star' out of Raleigh tonight." I WEPT and I wailed, with tears did implore, But he picked up his bag, and slamming the door, He jumped in the Ford, and with obvious disgust, He drove out of town in a great cloud of dust. Unbelieving, I sat there and thought of the morrow, When suddenly my mind recoiled in horror! I ran to the door hoping desperately That he had turned back, perhaps to console me. But, alas! I'm too late, he's already gone far, Unknown to him, Santa's gifts in the car!

27 to 11. The third stanza was marked with numerous turnovers for the Blue Waves, and the Cougars once again led, with the score 45-21. In the fourth quarter Donald Wimbrow rallied and led the Waves in scoring 14 points while holding the Cougars to 10 points. The final score was 55 to 35.

Donald Wimbrow was the high scorer for the night with 21 points. Others playing for Norlina were Gus Hunt with 7 points, Porcell Jordan 2, Waverly White 2, David Brantley 1, Audray Moss 1, and Ned Campbell 1. Mitch Mitchell and Charles Wilkins also played.

Leading the attack for the Cougars was John Scott with 12 points. Harbie Grissom scored 10 points, John Grissom 10, Gary Ball 9, Gary Stainback 7, Dean Heavis 2, Carl Fisher 2, Russell Newman 2, and Chestham and Billy Stanton.

Score by quarters:  
Nor. 4 7 10 14-35  
Vance Co. 13 14 18 10-45

Today's 230 pound market hog has 21 pounds of extra meat and 11 pounds less lard than an animal of the same weight would have had in 1960.

An hour's work today buys 26% more pork, 20% more beef, 13% more milk, 25% more peas and 40% more eggs than it did in the late 1950's.

Ambition prevents many from making a success of small things.

# Growers Produce Large Tobacco Crop

RALEIGH—Tar Heel growers produced an estimated 795 million pounds of flue-cured tobacco in 1970, according to the North Carolina Crop Reporting Service. The estimate by the Service includes poundage sold this season plus some 12 million excess that is expected to be held over and sold next season. The 1970 type 11-13 output is the second highest since the Acreage - Poundage program started in 1965. In 1967, growers produced 819 million pounds. Production in 1969 was 696 million pounds.

Flue-cured yields averaged 2,079 pounds per acre this year—the highest yet under the Acreage - Poundage Program. The average was 2,071 pounds in 1967 and 1,838 in 1969. The 1970 crop was harvested from about 382,500 acres and compares with 395,400 in 1967 and 378,500 acres in 1969.

Type 11 (Old and Middle Belts) production totaled 272 million pounds—well above the 258 million realized in 1969 but below the 294 million pounds produced in 1967. Type 11 yields averaged 1,875 pounds on 145,000 acres. In 1969, 146,000 acres averaged 1,765 pounds. The highest yield under Acreage-Poundage for this type was in 1967 when 150,000 acres averaged 1,960 pounds.

Production of type 12 (Eastern Belt) amounted to 418 million pounds this year and is the highest under Acreage-Poundage. Last year's production was 351 million while the 1967 crop totaled 410 million pounds. The 1970 crop was harvested from 188,000 acres for an average yield of 2,225 pounds. In 1969, the average was 1,895 pounds on 185,000 acres while the 1967 average was 2,135 on 192,000 acres.

Type 13 (Border Belt) total-

ed 105 million pounds on 49,500 acres for an average of 2,125 pounds. In 1969, 87 million pounds were produced on 47,500 acres for an average of 1,840 pounds. The record production under Acreage-Poundage was in 1967 when 115 million pounds were harvested from 53,400 acres for an average of 2,155 pounds.

1970 burley production in North Carolina is estimated at 19.2 million pounds on 7,400 acres for a record yield of 2,600 pounds. In 1969, the crop made 20.3 million pounds on 7,900 acres for an average of 2,570 pounds.

### United States

Total flue-cured production for the United States is estimated at 1,191,113,000 pounds in 1970 compared with the 1969 crop of 1,052,806,000 pounds. The national burley crop is estimated at 560,140,000 pounds compared with the 1969 production of 591,395,000 pounds.

# Wade Tucker Installed As Head Of Ruritan Club

Wade Tucker was installed as president of the Wise-Paschall Ruritan Club at a meeting held at the Wise school house on last Thursday.

Other officers installed were Sol Perkinson, vice president; and Sinclair White, vice president.

Officers were installed by Mayor Leon Knight of Norlina, the guest speaker.

The Wise-Paschall Ruritan Club has been organized for eight years. W. C. King, publicity chairman, said this week that the club, with the full support of the public, has accomplished much since that time. He listed some of the accomplishments as follows:

"I. Completed the lighting of our ball field enabling night games to be played. The North Carolina National Guard helped by grading and leveling the field. Carolina Power and Light Company donated the light poles. Another light company set the poles for us. All this was donated to the club. Wiring and fixtures were installed at a cost of \$200 to the club. We believe the people really enjoyed coming out and watching softball games. Our team won 16 games and lost four. Games were played against much larger communities, including Henderson, Littleton, Norlina, Warrenton and LaCrosse, Va. The club also helped sponsor two church ball teams. We also helped sponsor a local 4-H Club by providing a clubhouse for their meetings.

"2. This year we developed and provided a trash dump in our community. A site was made available by Mr. Carl Perkinson, a member of the club. A need for the dump was felt when an increasing amount of beer cans and trash began to accumulate. The job was completed in August, 1970. The club members cleared the site by removing brush and trees. We had the site ready in about two weeks. Mr. Harris and Mr. R. C. Comer dug the pit for approximately \$200. This project is widely used by the people in our community and will be kept up by donations by the public. More work is needed to

be done, so if you have not already done so, you may leave your contributions for the trash dump at Mr. Joe Riggan's Store in Wise or mail them to Mr. Calvin Young, Route 1, Norlina. All donations will be used only for the trash dump maintenance."

King also said that the following members of the club wish for each family in the community a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year:

Joe Cobb, W. C. King, J. V. King, W. C. Paschall, G. C. Paynter, Joe Riggan, Wade Tucker, Albert Perkinson, Cooper Perkinson, Carl Perkinson, Luther Paynter, Evans Coleman, Sinclair White, Calvin Young, Jack Whitby, Larry Walker and Bobby Lockemy.

# Norlina Girls Win Game From Murfreesboro

BY SUSAN DONALD AND NANCY GOOCH

On Friday night, Norlina's girls team defeated Murfreesboro in an exciting overtime game which ended with a final score of 38 to 34.

In the first period of play the numerous fouls by Murfreesboro put Norlina in the lead, as the score was 8-6. The second quarter turnovers cost Norlina their lead as the Raiders tied the score 16 to 16. After the half the two teams battled evenly but the Waves managed to pull out a two point lead by the end of the quarter. The fourth stanza was an exciting one as the Raiders tied the score 34-34 causing an overtime. In the overtime scoring was controlled by Norlina as Murfreesboro had trouble handling the ball. The final score was 38-34.

Teresa Hicks spearheaded the scoring attack for Norlina with 15 points. Shirley Sabrowski netted 13 points, next was Sandra Stokes with 8 points. Ann Hayes scored 2. Others playing were Barbara Brantley and Sylvia Rodwell.

Leading scorer for Murfreesboro was Patty Parker with 15 points. Meg Revelle scored 12, Nancy Deans 5, Bonnie Caulkins 1, and Gloria Parker 1. Others playing were Alice Hill, Wanda Wood, Kay Britt, and Jewel Smith.

Scoring by quarters:  
Nor. 8 8 10 8 4-38  
Mur. 6 10 8 10 0-34

### BOYS GAME

In the second game of the night the Murfreesboro Raiders outscored Norlina, as the final score was 45 to 37.

In the first quarter Norlina held a 14-10 lead. The Raiders hustled to tie the score at the half 21-21. The third stanza was nip and tuck as the quarter ended with a score of 36 to 36, in the Raider's favor. The final period of play was controlled by Murfreesboro as the game ended with the score of 37 to 45, Murfreesboro's favor.

Playing for Norlina was Gus Hunt scoring 15 points, Percell Jordan with 8 points, Mitch Mitchell 6, Donald Wimbrow 4, David Brantley 2, and Audray Moss with 2. Ned Campbell also played.

Leading scorer for the Raiders was Dwelton Sawyer 12, Alvester Spratley netted 10, John Spratley 8, Wayne Garner 6, George Jones 4, Herbert Faison 4, and Mack Foreham 1.

Scoring by quarters:  
Nor. 14 7 13 3-37  
Mur. 10 11 15 9-45

# Norlina Drops Game To Vance High School

BY SUSAN DONALD AND NANCY GOOCH

### BOYS GAME

On Saturday night the Norlina boy's team journeyed to Vance County High School to play the Cougars.

The first period of play was controlled by the Cougars as they scored 13 points and held Norlina to 4 points. In the second quarter Vance County stretched its lead to a comfortable margin. The score was

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# LITTLETON NEWS

Mrs. Tommy Gray, Mrs. Roy Jones of Elams and Mrs. Lloyd Gray were Wednesday visitors of Mrs. Horace Moore in Rex Hospital in Raleigh.

Mrs. Gertrude Powell of Henderson spent several days with Mrs. Macon Moore, Sr.

Miss Ella Belle Riggan and Mrs. Gertrude Powell were in Roanoke Rapids Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Robertson and children, Donald and David, of Roanoke Rapids were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Little, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Neilson and daughter, Clearessa, of Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Chaffin and family, Bill and Margaret, of Richmond, Va., Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Daughtry and family, Mr. and Mrs. Breckie Daughtry and Mr. Lawrence Daughtry of Norfolk, Va., the Rev. and Mrs. Francis Alston and sons, Steve, Frank and Tommy, of Fairmont, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Aycock and family Carl and Cindy, of Harrellsville, W. Va., have returned to their home after having spent sometime with their father, Mr. Robert M. Alston, and attending the funeral of their mother on Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. William G. Myrick and daughters, Leslie and Elizabeth of Winston-Salem

were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. James Myrick. Mrs. Gilbert Reid, Mrs. W. A. Reid and Mrs. Walter Pike were in Raleigh Sunday and visited Mrs. Horace Moore. Lee Roy Lynch of Hopewell, Va., was a visitor of friends and relatives here over the weekend.

Phil Harris of ECU, Greenville, is spending the Christmas holiday at home.

For your heart's sake - use willpower at the dinner table, advises the North Carolina Heart Association.

**Greetings**

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