

**FINE DEFENSE** -- Bucks' senior center Joseph Bridges found the Lumberton defense too tough to handle Friday night as he was held to a mere four points in the Bucks' third loss of the season. James McLeod (43) watches the action.

## Bucks Edged By Pirates, Cold Hand Evens Record

Hoke High School's Bucks, rated as one of the strongest teams in the Eastern Division of the Southeastern AAA Conference, found out Friday night that the Pirates of Lumberton High School are not to be taken lightly.

The Bucks traveled to Lumberton Friday night in search of their second conference victory, they returned to Raeford, after their oldest shooting night of the season, with their first defeat since the Christmas break and their conference record evened at one win and one loss. Final score of the cliff-hanger was 55-53 in favor of the Pirates.

Minutes before game time, Coach Larry Phillips said, "To win this game, we must shoot well and really go to the boards." His Bucks outbounded Lumberton 59-29 but managed to convert only 25 of 85 shots from the floor (29%) while Lumberton hit on 22 of 52 attempts for 42.3%.

The Bucks opened the first quarter by scoring 16 points to 11 for the home team. In the second quarter the Bucks scored 12 points while the Pirates scored 15 to close the gap to two points at halftime.

The Bucks managed to hold onto their slim lead for about one and a half minutes of the third quarter. The two teams traded the lead for the remainder of the period. The score was tied at the end of the third period 41-42.

The Pirates scored the first basket in the final quarter and then managed to pull away to a four point lead. The Hoke team fought back to tie the game at 46-46 with 5:06 remaining to play.

Lumberton then jumped to a three point lead, had the lead cut to one point, and then built back up to a four point advantage with 2:50 to play. The Bucks came back to cut

the Lumberton advantage to one point 54-53 with twenty seconds on the clock. A missed Lumberton foul shot and a jump ball gave the Bucks a chance to take the lead in the game. The Bucks came down court and took three good shots before Lumberton gained control. A foul shot with one second left on the clock gave the Pirates the two point margin of victory.

The Bucks will play their next game Thursday night against the Dunn Greenwave in Dunn. The game was originally scheduled to be played Friday night, but Dunn wanted to reschedule the ball game because of their exam schedule.

Coach Larry Phillips indicated he expected another rough game in Dunn Thursday night. "Road games are always tough."

## Sanford Beats Bucks In Wrestling Match

The visiting Sanford Yellow Jackets forfeited one match to the Hoke High Bucks but still managed to take a 27-16 victory from the local grapplers last Thursday night.

The Bucks gathered their 16 points on decision victories by David Upchurch, Don Williamson and Frank Williamson, a draw by David Wallace, and Sanford's forfeit in the unlimited weight class.

The defeat Thursday night at the hands of Sanford left the Buck matmen with a record of 3-4 for the season.

This Thursday night they will journey to Wadesboro for a return match with Bowman High School. In the first meeting between the two teams, Bowman emerged with

Phillips said he would play with the same basic lineup. Dan McGougan who played fine ball Friday night is expected to see more action in future games.

To win the Dunn game and the rest of the games on the schedule, Phillips said everyone on the team must give a good effort. "Even one poor performance, really hurts us" he concluded.

Hoke 16 12 14 11 - 53  
Lumberton 11 15 16 13 - 55

Hoke - Russell Davis 15, Jeff McNeill 14, Garley Carpenter 8, Eugene Monroe 6, Danny McGougan 4, Joseph Bridges 4, James McLeod 2, and Tom Howell.

Lumberton - Alvin Bullock 14, Willie Lorick 11, Earl Darnell 10, Al Price 10, Jim Gane 6 and Lawrence Thomas 4.

a narrow victory.  
100 -- James Taylor (S) decisioned Paul Smith (H), 9-4.

109 -- David Upchurch (H) decisioned James Wright (S), 6-2.

117 -- Zayne Tollfuer (S) decisioned Barry Inman (H), 6-0.

125 -- David Wallace (H) and Wayne Johnson (S) drew, 7-7. Wallace scored two points on a reverse in the last thirty seconds to tie the match.

132 -- Hope Gladden (S) decisioned Archie Crowder (H), 2-0. The match was scoreless after two periods.

139 -- Don Williamson (H) decisioned Ed Wester, (S) 7-6. Wester lead at the beginning of the third period. Williamson took the lead by one point, lost it again, and then scored two points on a reverse to win the match and remain undefeated.

147 -- Tony McLean, (S), decisioned Thomas McMilliam (H) 6-4. McLean scored two points in the third period to win the match.

157 -- Nelson Holmes (S) pinned Floyd Ray (H), with 29 left in the third period.

167 -- Don Covington (S) decisioned Wilbert McNair, (H), 7-3.

177 -- Ed Bauer (S) pinned Randy Propst (H) 1:15 of the first period.

187 -- Frank Williamson (H) decisioned Frank Gillian (S), 4-0.

UNL -- Sanford forfeited the match.

The U.S.S. North Carolina Battleship Memorial at Wilmington attracted a record number of 161,232 visitors this summer. A stalwart of World War II, at one time she was the greatest sea weapon ever built by the United States. The memorial is dedicated to the men and women of all the U.S. military services in World War II.

## Tid-Bits From Hoke High

By Mary Nell Harward



Last week was a very busy week for Hoke High students. Thursday and Friday were set aside for exams. Tomorrow Hoke High will begin its second semester. Let's hope that this one will go by as rapid as the first one did.

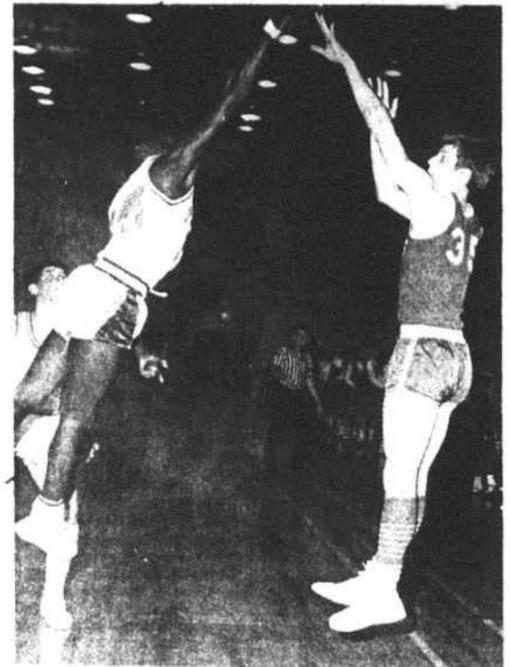
Monday night, January 12th, the Wrestling Team stormed over Pinecrest 39-9. Don Williamson set a record this year for the fastest pin, 54 seconds. Don Williamson and Richard Davis are still undefeated. Keep up the good work!

Tuesday night the Bucks traveled to Rockingham to play the Rockets for the second time. The Baby Bucks started the night off right with

a win. Then the Varsity Bucks won by a score of 70-52. At the night off right with a win. Then the Varsity Bucks won by a score of 70-52. All in all it was a successful night for basketball.

Thursday night the Wrestling Team traveled to Sanford. The Bucks tried but the Yellow Jackets swarmed over them.

Friday night the Bucks went to Lumberton for their second conference game, this time against the Pirates. The J.V. team beat the Pirates. The Varsity Bucks put up a good fight, leading throughout the game until the very last. The Pirates came back in the last moments to beat the Bucks 58-53.



**JUMP SHOT FROM THE CORNER** -- Buck veteran Jeff McNeill is caught by the camera in the act of scoring two points on one of his long jumpers against the Lumberton Pirates Friday night. McNeill scored 14 points.

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## College Students

Two Hoke County students are listed among the 955 Appalachian State University scholars who received Dean's List honors for their academic performances during the university's fall quarter. The total represents 17 per cent of ASU undergraduate student body.

To qualify for the honor, a student must have maintained at least a B average on 15 quarter hours of academic work. Any grade below C is an automatic disqualification.

The honor students from Hoke County are Mary Jean Matherly, a junior elementary education major, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.F. Matherly of Raeford. Jasper Currie Clark, a sophomore, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Davis of Raeford.

Three Raeford students have been named to the Dean's List for fall semester at Queens College here. They are Carolyn Thomas Culbreth, Sarah Gwendolyn (Gwen) McNeill

and Sarah Winifred Howell. All three are seniors.

They were among 43 students recognized for high scholastic averages at Honors Convocation today.

Miss Culbreth is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Culbreth of 210 Harris Ave. Miss Howell's parents are Mr. and Mrs. William E. Howell Jr. of 106 W. Fifth Ave. Miss McNeill is the daughter of Mr. Sarah McPhillip McNeill of 311 W. Howard.

Approximately 700 women students are enrolled at Queens Spring semester began Jan. 12.

Dr. James J. Alford, dean of instruction at Sandhills Community College, has announced that one hundred and fifty credit students made the Dean's List for academic achievement in the fall quarter.

Four of the honor students for the fall quarter are from Raeford. They are David Allen Hendrix, Rebecca Peoples, W. Bryant Rose and Willie Sinclair.

## Bowling News

Blanton's Grocery ripped third place 401 Amoco in four straight games to open up a nine game lead in the standings of the Raeford Merchants Bowling League.

While Blanton's Grocery was winning four games, Howell Drugs rocked second place House of Raeford by taking all four of their matches. The four victories moved Howell Drugs up in the standings to sixth place.

Dees' Esso broke an eleven game losing streak by winning three games from Long's Grocery. Dees' was led by James Lowery who bowled a 215 and a 202.

John K. McNeill, Jr., leader in the competition for individual honors, improved his average for the season by one point by bowling an even 200 game. Bobby Posey also bowled a 200 game.

McNeill is closely pursued in the individual standings by Jesse Taylor, with a 167 average, and John Lockey, Bill Jenkins, and Harold Wright, all with averages of 165.

### LEAGUE STANDINGS

Blanton's Grocery	52-40
House of Raeford	43-29
401 Amoco	41 1/2-30 1/2
Long's Grocery	41-31
Dees' Esso	37-35
Howell Drug	34 1/2-37 1/2
City Cleaners	32-40
McNeill's Grocery	31-41
Town & Country	29-43
Bob's Body Shop	19-53

### TOP TEN BOWLERS

John K. McNeill, Jr.	168
Jesse Taylor	167
John Lockey, Jr.	165
Bill Jenkins	165
Harold Wright	165
Harry Walton	164
Norbert Schmitt	164
Bill Hendrix	163
John Fly	161
Mackie Carter	159

### Farmers Subject To Self-Employment Tax

Greensboro—North Carolina farmers are subject to self-employment tax for 1969 if their farm income is \$400 or more. J. E. Wall, District Director of the Internal Revenue Service, advised today.

The self-employment tax rate is 6.9 percent with a maximum of \$538.20, and is in addition to income tax.

A self-employed farmer is one who operates his own business or farm. A farmer is also considered self-employed if he employs others to operate or work his farm even though he does not live on it himself.

A farmer must file a Federal Income Tax return and pay the self-employment tax due if his net earnings from self-employment are \$400 or more, even if his gross income is less than \$600 and he owes no income tax.

The self-employment tax applies to a maximum of \$7800. But this figure is reduced by any wages from which Social Security taxes are withheld.

A special optional provision in the law enables farmers to acquire Social Security credits even if they have a loss after expenses are deducted.

"Farm" as used in the tax law relating to Social Security and self-employment taxes, includes stock, dairy, poultry, fruit, fur-bearing animals, and truck farms, and also plantations, ranches and nurseries.



**DAVIS FIRES FROM OUTSIDE** -- Buck forward Russell Davis takes a long jumpshot Friday night against the Pirates. Davis and the Bucks experienced their worst shooting night of the year against the Pirates and were beaten 55-53.

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