

## Coach Applicants Are Interviewed

Hoke High Athletic Director John Pecora said last Friday that several applicants are being interviewed for the head football coach position that became vacant last week when Bill Cameron resigned. "We have interviewed some outstanding people," he said. "There are some excellent candidates for the job," he added.

Pecora said that some applicants were from as far away as 3,000 miles, and some were from outside the continental United States.

He said there are more applicants to be "talked to" and a decision would probably not be made before the next two or three weeks.

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## Out Of Bounds

By Mike Steadman

Today (Thursday) the wars begin. The only armor used will be a basketball, but the fury of competition will probably be unmatched anywhere.

Six out of seven of the most competitive basketball college teams in the nation will square off for a bid to the NCAA Tournament via the ACC Tournament today.

Carolina proved to be the best team as far as the regular season goes, but the battles that begin today make the regular season winner seem unimportant because everything is on the line and only one team can win.

Because of the location and maybe even the talent (which is really hard to judge from since there is so much of it in the ACC), Maryland is the predicted winner of the ACC Tournament and the team to receive the bid to the NCAA Tournament.

One of the big questions on everybody's mind is who will be on the first team ALL-ACC team this year. There is so much talent in the ACC, it seems an impossibility to pick such a five.

Since that is such a hard job, here's a try at picking a first team with ten players. Five players just aren't enough.

GUARDS -- Phil Ford - University of North Carolina, Skip Brown - Wake Forest University, Tate Armstrong - Duke University, Wally Walker - University of Virginia

FORWARDS -- Kenny Carr - North Carolina State University, John Lucas - University of Maryland, Walter Davis - University of North Carolina, Willie Hodge - Duke University.

CENTERS -- Tree Rollins - Clemson University, Mitch Kupchak - University of North Carolina.

HONORABLE MENTION -- Phil Spence - State, Mo Howard - Maryland, Brad Davis - Maryland, Al Green - State, Tommy LaGarde - UNC, Rod Griffin - Wake Forest, Jerry Schellenberg - Wake Forest, Billy Langlosh - U. Va., Steve Sheppard - Maryland, Marc Ivoroni - U. Va.

ACC PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Mitch Kupchak - University of North Carolina.

After Saturday's games, the pairings of the ACC Tournament were decided with only one major change. The State team lost its hold on second place and were dropped to third in the final regular season standings after they lost to a fine Wake Forest team by a 98-96 score.

The Terps of Maryland clinched second place with a win over Virginia. Since Maryland beat State twice during the regular season, it gave them the second seeding in the tournament and the rights to meet the last place regular season team, Duke, in the first round of the tournament.

State will take on Virginia in the first round and will be in the same bracket as Maryland.

Carolina will play the winner of the Wake Forest-Virginia game in the tournament semi-finals.

Congratulations to the Hoke High Wrestling team. They won the District IV 4-A conference Championship and then had two people to make it to the State finals via an individual win and a second place in the Sectional Tournament.

Coach Billy Colston did it again.

The Bucks baseball team opened their season at home yesterday (Wednesday) against Douglas Byrd of Fayetteville who are coached by Linwood Huffman of Raeford.

Good luck to the Bucks!

The Bucks basketball team ended their regular season at home Tuesday night against Scotland High School of Laurinburg and are preparing to go into battle against league opponents in the conference tournament. The Bucks will hope to fair well in the tournament in order to get a bid to the state tournament.

## Merchant Bowling

### Oakwood Surges On

By Larry Long

In the action last week at LaFayette Lanes, the leader, Oakwood Laundry, racked up four more wins as they turned back Hunt's Bonding. The Moose Lodge bumped Earl's Electric three games to one. Webb's Tire stopped the hot barbers three games to one. Gentry's Tire picked up three wins from McNeil's. The National Guard found the winning way against Kennerty's Clearners in taking three out of four games.

The high 200 and high series last week went to Bob Canaday for Oakwood, a 241, and a high series of 608. Others hitting the 200 mark last week included Leon Burton for McNeil's a 233, James Nixon for Webb's a 211, Thad Marks for the barbers a 211, Ted Pulhamus for the Moose Lodge a 208, and John Canady for Oakwood a 204.

STANDINGS	
W	L
Oakwood Laundry	69 27
Moose Lodge	58 38
Hollingsworth	51 45
Earl's Electric	50 46
Webb's Tire	50 46
Hunt's Bonding	48 48
Kennerty's	46 50
McNeil's	39 57
Gentry's Tire	39 57
National Guard	30 66

TOP TEN BOWLERS	
Jesse Taylor	177
Mackie Carter	175
Leo Schulenburg	173
Ted Pulhamus	172
Harold Campbell	171
Thad Marks	171
James Gay	171
Bob Canady	171
Bill Hendrix	170
John Canady	170

This week's schedule: Oakwood

tangles with the 3rd place barbers, the Moose Lodge takes on Kennerty's, Earl's Electric faces Gentry's Tire, and Hunt's meets McNeil's.

### Booster Club Adds Raffle

Members of the Hoke County Booster Club are holding a raffle along with their golf tournament which will be held March 13-14 at the Arabia Golf Course.

Booster Club spokesman Noah Hendrix said there would be three winners in the raffle. First place prize will be a golf set and second and third prizes will be a dozen golf balls.

Hendrix said tickets could be bought at Hoke Drug Company at \$1 per ticket.

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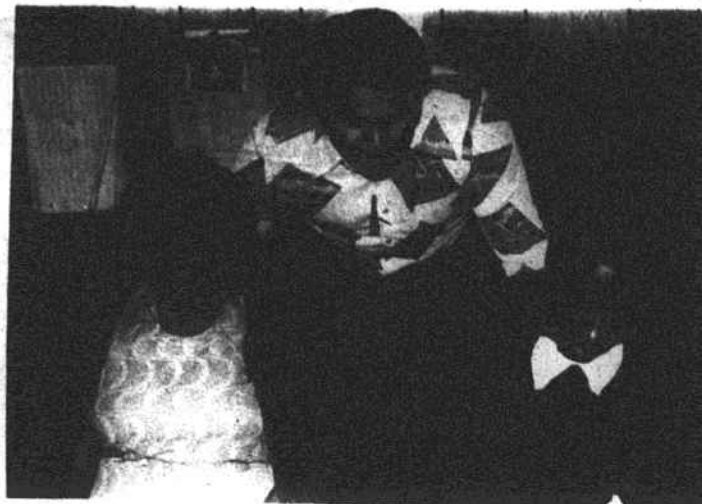
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FOOTBALL GRANT -- Hoke High Buck Allen Thomas signs a football grant-in-aid with N.C. A&T University in Greensboro. Looking on is Mrs. Clyde Thomas and Coach Bill Cameron. (Photo by Hoke High photography class)



FOOTBALL SIGNEE -- Watching James Rainey sign a football grant-in-aid to N.C. A&T University is his father Eugene Rainey and Coach Bill Cameron. (Photo by Hoke High photography class)

## Ladies' League

### Travelers Slump

Last week at LaFayette Lanes there was a game of Scrabble being played for sure. The number one team, the Travelers, gave up four games to the Dynamites. This loss put the Travelers in third place position. I know this was an upset since they have held the lead in games won, and total pins all season.

The Helpers upset the Upsetters by taking three games. This victory put them in first place position by one game. The Odd Balls and Wonders split two games each. Can the Helpers hold on to their one game lead, or the Travelers come back for a victory?

Next week the Wonders will take on the Upsetters, the Dynamites and the Helpers will battle it out, while the Travelers try their luck with the Odd Balls.

STANDINGS	
W	L
Helpers	36 28
Dynamites	35 29
Travelers	35 29
Odd Balls	34 30
Upsetters	29 35
Wonders	23 41

TOP SIX BOWLERS	
Debbie Hutson	158.4
Linda Chason	156.6
Barbara Odom	151.0

Sybil Freeman	146.6
Donna Cannon	139.5
Jean Schulenburg	138.7



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