

All-Conference Team Finds Seadogs Named

THE NEWS-TIMES sponsored an All-Seashore Conference Basketball Team selected by coaches in the conference and THE NEWS-TIMES sports editor. Two members of the undefeated Beaufort quintet were unanimous choices of all the voters.

Gehrmann Holland, voted outstanding performer at the State Tournament, and Monk Pittman, who won a place with Holland on the All-State Tournament first five, were both voted places on the first team in the conference.

Their teammates on the all-conference squad, all from Carteret County, included Walker Gillikin of Smyrna and Jerry Willis and Wayne Cheek of Morehead City.

Tom McQuaid, coach of the Seadogs, was selected as coach of the team.

One member of the Seadog squad was also named to the second team. He was Herb Mason, who teams with Pittman regularly to bring the ball up the court for the Seadogs. Mason, who had some very hot nights, including his 28 points against Smyrna in the County Tournament, was elected to a position for his fine ballhandling and shooting ability.

Holland was described by Greensboro writers as the 6-2 youngster built like a fullback, weighing 195 pounds who has that magic touch under the boards that enables him to tap in rebounds with amazing ability.

Unerring Eye

Holland is also credited with having an unerring eye and a perfect shooting touch, with real

spring in his legs that enables him to outjump far taller opponents.

Monk Pittman, one of the leading lights for Beaufort in the State Tournament, was the playmaker of the Seadog quintet all season. His jump shots and sets from back of the key enabled Beaufort to win many a ballgame.

The others on the first team such as Jerry Willis, Cheek and Gillikin were extra fine players. Cheek is the only one who will be seen in action again next season.

Willis had a scoring average well

up in double-figures and his height of 6 foot 7 inches was used to extra good advantage from his forward slot this year. Jerry was one of the county's best big men with a fine push shot.

Wayne Cheek, another elongated cager at 6-6, was one of the most improved players in the conference during the past season. His specialty, when he and Willis teamed up as the Eagles' one-two scoring punch, was on push shots from the corners.

The apple of Coach Stew Daniels'

eye this year was Walker Gillikin, and there weren't any coaches in the conference who wouldn't have liked to see the 6-3½ youngster on their squads.

Walker was equally adept at getting the rebounds for his team, making tipins, or shooting from outside.

Pictures of the Seadogs named to All-Conference team are on page 10, with pictures of Jerry Willis and Wayne Cheek of the Morehead City team and Walker Gillikin of Smyrna appearing on page 11.



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