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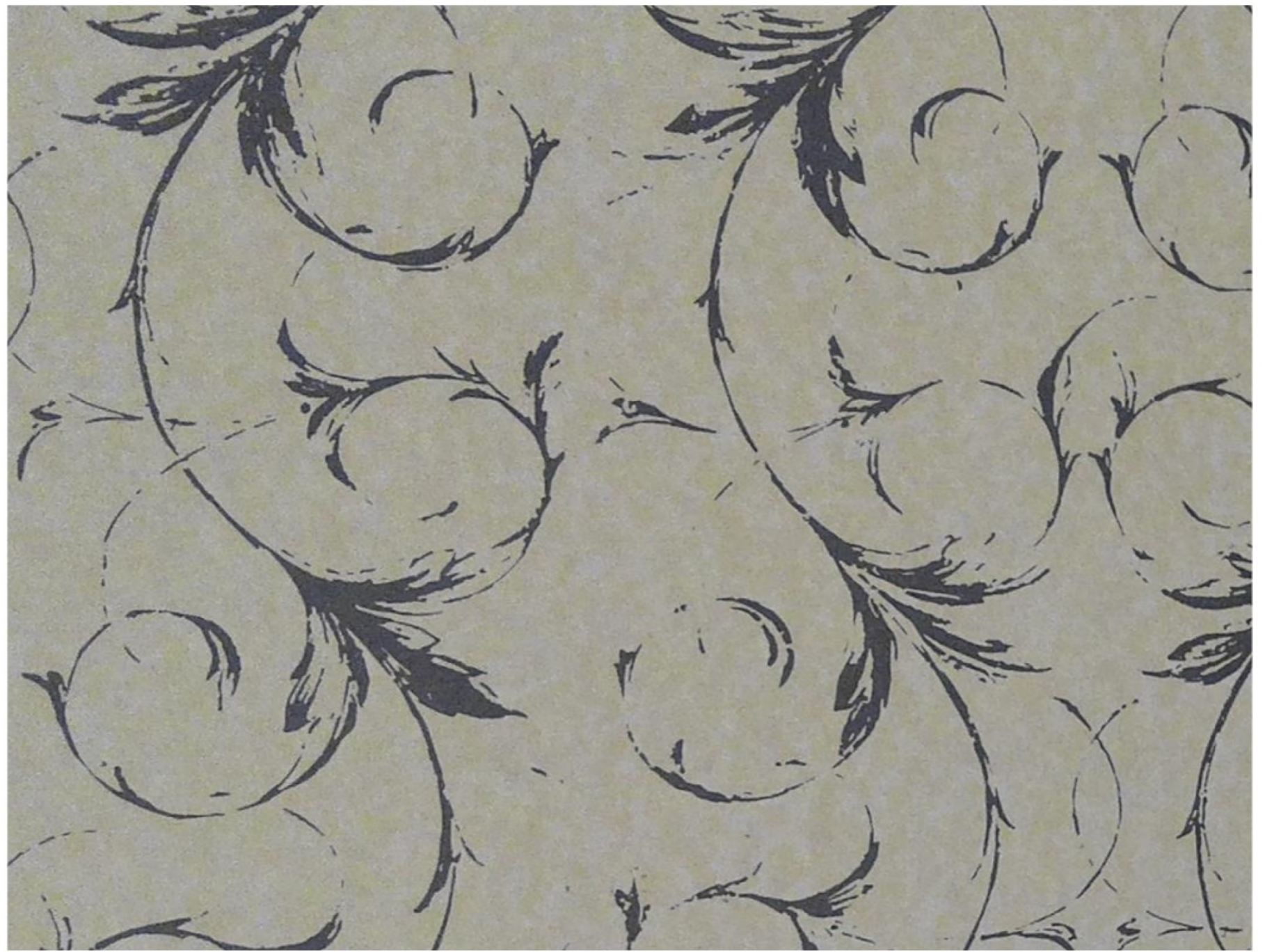
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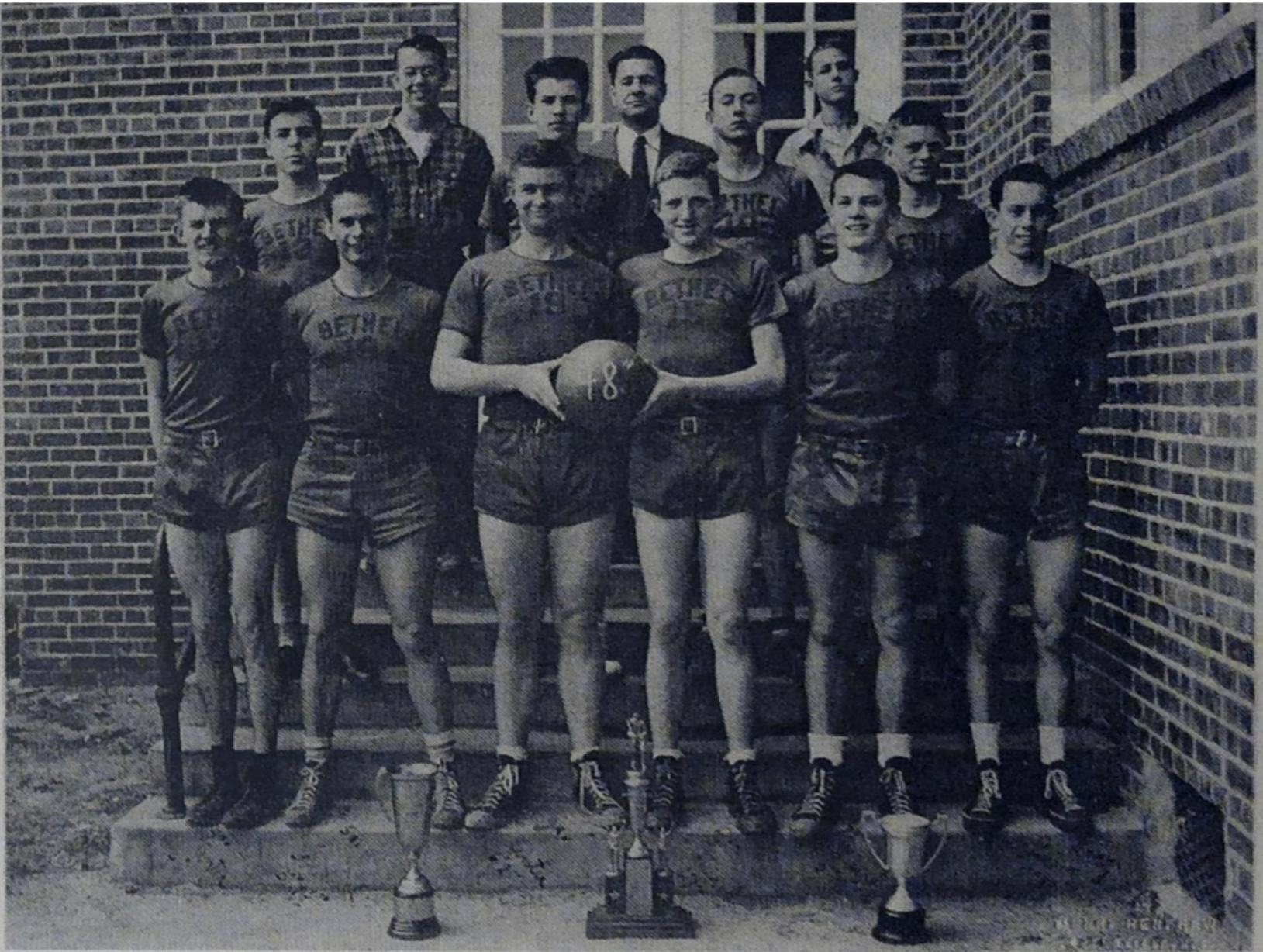
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1948 TEAM — W.Z. Worsley, Walter Clayton Whitley, William Earl House, Earl Keel, Bill Smith, Frank Hemingway, W.R. Bullock, Mack Whitehurst, William Keel, Hilton Tetterton, Thomas

James White *Bell Smith* *Maurice Rollin*
First Annual State High School

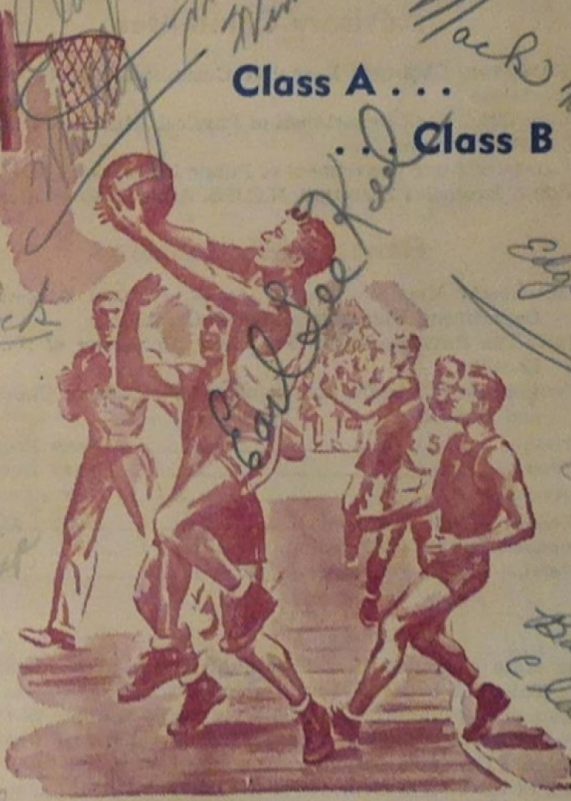
BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

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March 11-13, 1948

Woollen Gymnasium, Chapel Hill, N. C.

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North Pitt County

MAY 4, 1988

BETHEL, N. C.

Latham To Receive Award

It was announced recently that Ramon Latham, Wynne's Inc., Bethel will receive the Small Business Leader of the Year Award for the Bethel Council of the Pitt-Greenville Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, May 10, 1988, 6:30 p.m. at the Sheraton Greenville Hotel during the Small Business Leaders Awards Banquet.

National Small Business Week is May 8-14, 1988. Each year US Small Business Administration sponsors a Small Business Week in America, where outstanding leaders of Small Business are recognized for their endeavors in helping keep America working through small business in their area.

The Chamber, this year, announces one winner from each of the five councils within the Pitt County Chamber. Other Small Business leaders who will be recognized at the awards banquet are Ross Persinger, Happy's Antiques, Ayden; Thomas Edward Casey, Gifton Gas Company, Inc., Grifton; R. Richard Miller, Miller and

Davis Associates, Greenville; and Thomas Eli Joyner, Jr., Farmville Furniture Company, Farmville.

These leaders were selected by an anonymous committee based on criteria mailed to all members of the Chamber for nominations. The criteria included:

1. A member of the Chamber;
2. Owner, partner or major shareholder of the business and active in its day-to-day management;
3. Established locally in the same business for at least three years;
4. Grossing less than \$5 million annual revenue for all business enterprises;
5. Doing business in a facility that has a positive physical appearance;
6. Innovative in business techniques and in community leadership;
7. Participates in community affairs and activities contributing his or her personal resources, time and efforts;
8. Practicing exemplary busi-

ness conduct, including the use of quality products and or services;

9. The business shall not employ more than 100 persons (full time).

Ed Kirby, Vice Chairman of the Small Business Council of the Chamber further announced that the "Pitt County Small Business Leader of the Year" will be selected from the five area council Small Business Leaders. That announcement will be made at the Awards Banquet on May 10th. Kirby further stated that the winners may be nominated for the North Carolina Small Business Leader of the Year. Small Business is the backbone of Pitt County and the nation's economy. The majority of new jobs and economic development opportunities are created by small businesses.

Banquet tickets are available for the Small Business Leaders Award Banquet for \$20 per person at the Chamber Office. For further information, please call Ruth Matous, Manager, Small Business Council, at 752-4101.

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Reunion...

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1948 Bethel High School Class B N.C. State Basketball Championship Team. Left to right back row, Walter Clayton Whitley, Bill Smith, W.Z. Worsley, William Earl House, Earl Keel. Left to right, front row, Frank Hemingway, William Keel, Walter C. Latham, coach, Mrs. Walter C. Latham, Hilton Tetterton.



1948 Bethel High School Cheerleaders, left to right, back row, Janie Edmondson Manning, Jeane Cullifer Hemingway, Tody Smith McKinsey, Janice Roberson White, Beth Briley Tatum. Left to right, front row, Walter C. Latham, Principal, Mrs. Walter C. Latham, Teacher.



Bethel Quint Racks Up Impressive Cage Record

Tuesday, February 3, 1948

Bethel Cagers Win 25 In Row

Jamesville, Feb. 21.—The Bethel High School Indians defeated Jamesville here last night 33-32 on their home court.

It was nip and tuck all the way neither team was ahead more than 3 points the whole game.

Bill Smith, of Bethel, racked up a field goal with 25 seconds to go for the winning points after Earl Keel "stole" the ball.

This was Bethel's 25th straight win and 29 in 30 starts. Bethel has been beaten only by the E. C. T. C. Junior squad.

The scoring — Bethel: forwards Whitley 8, Hemingway 5; center House 6, Worsley 3; guards Smith 7, Keel 5.

Jamesville: forwards Brewer 12, Warters, Hardison 7; center Gaines 10; guards Madlin 3, Hamilton.

On Wednesday night the Bethel teams divided a pair with Arthur when the Arthur girls won 20 to 16 after trailing until the last three minutes. The Bethel boys won handily by a 46-23 margin.

Invading the Bath courts Thursday, Bethel scored a double victory: the girls winning by 24-14 and the boys by 55-29.

Bethel February 3 — Bethel High School, boasting a record of 29 wins in 24 starts this season, has one of the best scholastic basketball records in Eastern North Carolina.

The Indians have racked up 977 points against all competition for an average of 40.7 while holding their opponents to 627 points and an average of 26.1. The locals in playing 19 Class B games have curled the net for a total of 616 points while limiting their opponents to 447 points, an average of 42.5 to 255.1.

The lone loss suffered by the Indians was at the hands of the strong East Carolina Teachers College Junior Varsity, 40-27, early in the season.

Season's highlight for the Indians was when they humbled Washington, runner-up in the W Class A state finals, 29-24.

The success of this squad is attributed to the coaching of W. F. Latham. He has built up a team that works together, every man a threat, which is shown by their record throughout the season. Their average points per game are as follows:

Whitley, 7.1; House, 6.8; Worsley, 6.7; Hemingway, 4; Smith, 4.5; Keel, 4. Their capable substitutes are: M. Whitehurst, T. Whitehurst, Wm. Keel, Tetterton, Bullock and Rollins.

Bethel will represent their district in the state Class B tournament in March at Chapel Hill.

Over the past two years the Indians have won 68 of 73 games and are riding on the crest of an 18-game winning streak. They are leading the Pitt County conference with a 5-0 record. Large crowds turn out for each game.

Bethel will play once-beaten Jamesville Friday night.

Bethel Cagers Continue With Victory String

Bethel, Feb. 7.—Bethel's strong Class B boys' team registered a thrilling 27-24 victory over Jamesville's potent five here last night. The winners were leading at 14-10 at halftime. The win was the 19th straight for the locals.

The score was tied four times. With only two minutes to play the score was knotted at 24-24. Then Walter Whitley and Bill Smith hit on successive free throws. The locals were never headed. Whitley with 10 points, sparked the winners. Dorman Gaines with 16 points, was best for the visitors.

The Jamesville girls posted a 26-12 victory in the opener. The visiting lassies were leading, 11-7, at intermission. V. Gardner, with 16 points, paced the winners. Joan Crisp and Marjorie James, with six points each, accounted for all of Bethel's scoring.

22 Straight

Scotland Neck, Feb. 19.—Bethel High defeated Scotland Neck's Blues in both ends of a basketball bargain bill played here. The visiting girls dumped the local sextet, 27-23, in the preliminary contest after having posted a 14-8 halftime lead.

The Bethel five rolled to its 22nd straight victory in the nightcap, winning by 43-27. Bethel held a 17-11 halftime edge.

BETHEL FIVE DEFEATS ROBERSONVILLE, 34-25

Bethel, Feb. 6.—The strong Bethel High School quint turned back a scrapping Robersonville team, 34-25, in the feature game of a double-header played here. Bethel held a 19-10 lead at halftime, but the visitors rallied in the third period to narrow the gap and threaten the Bethel lead.

In a preliminary game, the Bethel jayvees defeated the Robersonville junior varsity, 32-24.

BETHEL TEAMS SCORES OVER SCOTLAND NECK

Scotland Neck, Feb. 19.—Bethel High defeated Scotland Neck's Blues in both ends of a basketball bargain bill played here. The visiting girls dumped the local sextet, 27-23, in the preliminary contest after having posted a 14-8 halftime lead.

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BETHEL QUINT DEFEATS JAMESVILLE CLUB, 33-32

Jamesville, Feb. 23.—The Bethel Indians defeated Jamesville, 33-32, here. It was a nip-and-tuck battle all the way, with neither team ever holding over a three point advantage. Bill Smith of Bethel provided the winning field goal, with 25 seconds remaining in the game, after Earl Keel had stole the ball from a Jamesville player.

It was Bethel's 25th straight victory and 29th in 30 starts, having lost only to the ECTG Junior varsity. Whitley and Smith, with eight and seven points, respectively, led the winners' attack. Brewer was tops for Jacksonville, with 12 points.

BETHEL WILL SPONSOR CLASS B CAGE TOURNAY

Bethel, Feb. 4.—Bethel High School will sponsor an invitational basketball tournament here on March 8-10. Any Class B team interested in entering the tournament should contact W. C. Latham, principal of Bethel High School.

Awards will be made to the top four teams entered in the tournament, in addition to cash prizes.

Grimesland And Bethel Split Doubleheader

Grimesland, Nov. 14.—The Grimesland and Bethel High School basketball teams split a doubleheader in the Grimesland gymnasium Wednesday evening. The Grimesland lasses won the evening's opening game with a score of 26-17, and held a comfortable lead throughout the game.

F. Edwards, with 13 points to her credit, tossed high score for the winners while Crisp scored 8 to win honors for the visitors.

In the nightcap game, the Bethel quintet trounced the locals with a 41-19 victory.

W. E. House led the visitors with 12 points, and Wainwright rang up 11 points for Grimesland.

FARMVILLE AND BETHEL DIVIDE DOUBLEHEADER

Bethel, Dec. 18.—Farmville and Bethel played a triple-header here last night. In the first game, the Farmville Jayvees trounced the Bethel Jayvees, 34-11. The halftime score was 18-5.

The Farmville girls won the second game in a thriller, 28-26. The Bethel varsity came through with a win for the locals, topping the Farmville boys, 34-28. The victory was the eleventh against one loss for the locals this season.

BETHEL DIVIDES PAIR WITH CONTENTNEA HIGH

Bethel, Jan. 11.—Bethel and Contentnea divided a doubleheader played on the local court.

The Contentnea girls opened the program with a 24-15 victory. They led at the half by only one point, 11-10, but had things easy after the intermission.

In the nightcap the Bethel boys took a 53-37 decision. Bethel turned in some remarkable shooting to gain a 22-6 lead at the end of the first quarter. The score at the half was 36-14.

The Bethel boys have won 17 of 18 games this season and have taken their last 12. They have averaged 38.4 points per game to 25.3 for the opposition.

BETHEL AND OAK CITY 1-4 DIVIDE DOUBLEHEADER

Bethel, Jan. 4.—Bethel and Oak City split a doubleheader here. In the preliminary game, the Oak City girls edged the locals, 22-20, in a thrilling game. The Bethel girls rallied in the second half, but were unable to catch the visitors, who had grabbed a 15-8 lead in the first half.

Bethel won the nightcap, 35-22, although it was leading by only one point, 19-18, at the end of the third period. It was the 15th victory for the locals against one loss, suffered at the hands of the ECTC Jayvees. Bethel has scored 588 points, compared to 401 for its opponents. Scotland Neck plays here on Tuesday night.

BETHEL CLUBS DEFEAT SCOTLAND NECK TEAMS

Bethel, Jan. 8.—Bethel High defeated Scotland Neck here in both ends of a basketball doubleheader.

Bethel's girls won the opener, 20-10, after taking a 12-5 halftime lead. Bethel's classy Indians then spunked the visiting cagers, 50-27.

In the feature test, the local five held a 13-0 edge at the close of the first period and were leading at intermission, 17-11. Reserves played the second period.

The victory was the 11th in a row for the boys, and their 16th win in 17 starts. In winning the 16 games, the Indians have scored 633 points while giving up 428 to the opposition. The local clubs will meet the East Carolina Teachers' College Baby Pirates here on Friday night. The ECTC quint is the only club to defeat Bethel this season.

WALSTONBURG, BETHEL DIVIDE DOUBLEHEADER

Walstonburg, Jan. 27.—The Bethel and Walstonburg high school cage teams divided a doubleheader here tonight, the Bethel boys scoring a 46-33 victory after the local girls had posted a 21-10 triumph in the first game.

Wheeler of Walstonburg and Crisp of Bethel, with eight and seven points, respectively, were the leading scorers in the girls game. Worsley led the Bethel quint to victory, scoring 15 points. Hemingway accounted for 13. Corbett and Gildy, with 10 and nine points, respectively, led the scoring for Walstonburg.

BETHEL DIVIDES PAIR WITH CONTENTNEA HIGH

Bethel, Jan. 11.—Bethel and Contentnea divided a doubleheader played on the local court.

The Contentnea girls opened the program with a 24-15 victory. They led at the half by only one point, 11-10, but had things easy after the intermission.

In the nightcap the Bethel boys took a 53-37 decision. Bethel turned in some remarkable shooting to gain a 22-6 lead at the end of the first quarter. The score at the half was 36-14.

The Bethel boys have won 17 of 18 games this season and have taken their last 12. They have averaged 38.4 points per game to 25.3 for the opposition.

CHICOD IN TWO TESTS

Bethel, Jan. 15.—Bethel High checked Chicod in both ends of a basketball twin bill played here. The local girls trounced the visiting sextet, 21-15, and the Indians' five humbled Chicod in the feature, 49-15.

The lady Indians led by only 9-7 at intermission but came back strong in the final quarter to ice the win. The Indians' five led at halftime, 17-7. After the intermission, the locals started hitting from all angles and had a 43-13 lead at the close of the third period.

The win was the 13th in a row for the Bethel boys and their 18th win in 19 outings for the season. In the 19 games, Bethel has scored 740 points while yielding 453. Bethel plays Winterville here on Friday night in a twin bill.

GRIMESLAND DIVIDE COUPLE WITH BETHEL

Bethel, Jan. 22.—Bethel and Grimesland split a doubleheader here. The Grimesland girls humbled the Bethel sextet, 11-5, in the preliminary game.

In the nightcap, the Bethel Indians trounced the visitors, 52-32. The victory was the 15th straight and the 20th in 21 starts for the locals, who have scored 840 points against 543 for the opponents. Ayden plays here on Friday night.

Monday, February 23, 1948

THE DAILY REFLECTOR, G

Annual County Cage Tourney Begins Monday

By BERT MOYE

The annual Pitt County Basketball tournament will open in the Wright gymnasium at East Carolina Teacher's College on next Monday afternoon at 3:30 p. m. with both boys' and girls' teams in the high schools of the county participating.

Opening rounds will include Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (February 23, 24 and 25th) and the semi-finals will be played on Monday, March 1st, with the finals to be staged on Tuesday night, March 2nd.

Sportsmanship, championship and all-tournament awards will be presented following the final games with Mr. D. H. Conley, Superintendent of the Pitt County Schools making the awards to the winning team captains.

The following is the official schedule of play for the opening rounds:

Monday, February 23rd
3:30—Winterville vs Chicod (Boys)
4:30—Farmville vs Stokes (Girls)
7:00—Ayden vs Arthur (Boys)
8:00—Grimesland vs Belvoir (Girls)
9:00—Grifton vs Grimesland (Boys)

Tuesday, February 24th
3:30—Arthur vs Chicod (Girls)
4:30—Farmville vs Belvoir (Boys)
7:00—Ayden vs Bethel (Girls)
8:00—Bethel vs Stokes (Boys)
9:00—Winterville vs Grifton (Girls)

Wednesday, February 25th
6:00—Winner of Farmville-Stokes game vs winner of Winterville-Grifton game in girls' division.
7:00—Winner of Ayden-Arthur game vs winner of Winterville-Chicod game in boy's division.
8:00—Winner of Grimesland-Belvoir game vs winner of Arthur-Chicod game in the girls' division.
9:00—Winner of Farmville-Belvoir game vs winner of Grifton-Grimesland game in the boy's division.

Two teams draw bys in the second round of play, these being the winner of the Bethel-Stokes game in the boy's division and the winner of the Ayden-Bethel game in the girls' division.

Preliminary Rounds Of Annual County Cage Tournament Open

Start This Afternoon; Bethel Quint Rules As Favorites; Championship Of County At Stake

By BERT MOYE

Preliminary rounds of the annual Pitt County High School Basketball tournament will get under way at the Wright gymnasium at ECTC this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock as both boys' and girls' teams begin the race for the championship of Pitt County.

The Bethel Indians, with a perfect record in county play this season, rule as the favorite in the boys' division, and are the number one seeded team. The Grifton boys are the runners-up and Ayden is the third seeded team in this division.

In the girls' division, Ayden is the top-seeded team, with Arthur second and Farmville third.

The schedule of play for today's opening rounds is as follows:
3:30—Winterville vs Chicod (Boys)
4:30—Farmville vs Stokes (Girls)
7:00—Ayden vs Arthur (Boys)
8:00—Grimesland vs Belvoir (Girls)
9:00—Grifton vs Grimesland (Boys)

Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1948

Bethel And Farmville Advance In Pitt Basketball Tournament

GRIMESLAND GIRLS WIN TO ENTER PITT FINAL

Greenville, Feb. 25.—The Grimesland girls won their way into the finals of the Pitt County basketball tournament here tonight by defeating Arthur's sextet, 22-13. The winners led at halftime, 9-7. The Arthur girls were runners-up in season for the title. Grimesland draws a bye on Monday night. Fronie Edwards, with 16 points, is the winner. Anne Crawford hit 12 for the losers.

The Ayden boys won their way into the semifinals on Monday night by defeating Winterville, 30-37, one of the best games of the tournament. A crisp by R. H. Mason, with 30 seconds remaining in the game, provided the win. Winterville held 21-12 halftime advantage, but Ayden managed to tie the game up on five different occasions in the last half before winning. Jim McCormick, with 15 points, sparked the winners. Tommy Castelleo, with 11, was best for Winterville. Ayden will tangle with top-seeded Bethel on Monday.

In another game, the Farmville girls won their way into the semifinals of Monday night by checking the Grifton lassies, 25-20, after taking a 14-12 halftime lead. Farmville meets Ayden on Monday. Fronie Corbett and Jane Baker each scored 10 points for the winners. Nell Mumford racked up 12

Ayden, Arthur And Grifton Girls Squads Win Round; Semifinals Coming Up

Bethel's boys, seeded No. 1 in the Pitt County tournament posted a 46-31 victory over Stokes here tonight. The winners, who drew a bye in the quarterfinals, have now advanced to the semifinals. At the half Bethel was leading 21-3. W. Z. Worley paced the winners, with 13 points. Jack Gray captured individual scoring honors, however, with 14 points for the losers.

The Ayden girls won a 27-20 decision over Bethel. Joyce Whitehurst got 11 points for Ayden to take scoring honors. Jo Anne Crist was high for Bethel, with nine points. The win advanced the Ayden girls to the semifinals.

The Arthur girls runnerup in last year's tournament, defeated Chicod, 28-15 this afternoon. At the half, Arthur was leading, 12-3. Annie Crawford, with 14 points, paced the winners' attack. Shirley Buck was high for Chicod, with eight points.

The Farmville boys team, winner of the tournament last year, walloped Belvoir, 56-13. The Farmville quint led at the half 33-5. Sidney Carraway, with 18 points, led the winners. Joe Hathaway, with four points, was best for Belvoir.

In the final game on tonight's program, Grifton's girls trounced Winterville, 22-13. Winterville is the defending champion. Nell Mumford, with 10 points, paced the winners. Peggie Langston got seven for Winterville.

Tonight's Schedule

6:00—Farmville vs Grifton (Girls)
7:00—Ayden vs Winterville (Boys)
8:00—Grimesland vs Arthur (Girls)
9:00—Farmville vs Grifton (Boys)

Wednesday, March 3, 1948

Bethel, Farmville

THE DAILY REFLECTOR, GREENVILLE, N. C.

Crowned Champs

In Pitt

Final Play-Offs For Title Were Battles

Farmville Girls Rally In Closing Minutes For 17-12 Triumph; Bethel Quint Wins 28-24 After Struggle

The Bethel boys and Farmville girls were crowned champions as the annual Pitt County high school basketball tournament was concluded here last night before a capacity crowd in Wright Gymnasium at ECTC.

Both new champions had to turn on late scoring flurries to win in two closely contested scraps as the Farmville sextet triumphed over Grimesland, 17-12, and Bethel's boys turned back Farmville, 28-24.

Grimesland's girls held a 12-11 advantage with only three minutes remaining in the first contest, but that was sufficient time to enable Farmville's Jean Baker to score two field goals and a free throw to account for the final margin of victory. Baker, with 12 points, was the leading scorer in the contest. Pronia Edwards tallied eight points for Grimesland.

Bethel's favored quint was battled right down the stretch by a determined Farmville five which had the score tied at 21-21 at the end of the third period. Both teams went scoreless for the first five minutes of the final quarter, and then W. Z. Worsley broke loose for two field goals and Hemingway added another for Bethel to put the game out of Farmville's reach. Worsley, with 12 points, paced the point-makers; Sidney Carroway got nine for Farmville.

An all-tournament first and second teams for both boys and girls

DAILY

Pitt Basketball

Semifinals Under Way With Opener At 7:30

Ayden Girls Meet Farmville Sextet And Ayden Boys Play Top-Seeded Bethel

By BERT MOYE

Play in the annual Pitt County Basketball tournament will be resumed tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the Wright gymnasium at East Carolina Teacher's College as both girls and boys' teams fight it out in the semi-finals play.

The opening game, scheduled to start at 7:30, will see the Ayden girls playing the Farmville sextet in the first of a twin bill. Ayden advanced to the semi-finals with a 27-20 win over Bethel Tuesday night and by virtue of a by in the second round on Wednesday night. The Farmville girls took a one-sided score against Stokes Monday afternoon, 27-8 and then came back on Wednesday night to take a 25-20 win against the Grifton sextet. The winner of this game will meet the Arthur sextet, champion of Pitt County in the girls' division last year. Arthur defeated Chicod, 28-15 Tuesday afternoon and then came back Wednesday night to take a 22-13 win against Grimesland to draw by in the semi-finals play and thus earn the right to play in the finals on Tuesday night.

In the boys' division, the Bethel Indians, top-seeded team in the boys' division, who on last Tuesday night took a 46-31 win over the Stokes lads, and who drew a by in the second round of play to advance to the semi-finals, will meet the Ayden boys in the second game of the evening starting at 9 o'clock. Ayden advanced to the semi-finals

CLASS A, B CLUBS SCRAP FOR TITLES

16 Teams Entered in State Championship Tournaments at Woolen Gymnasium

Chapel Hill, March 10.—(AP)—Eight Class A high school basketball teams and as many in the B group will converge on Woolen Gymnasium tomorrow to battle it out for the State titles.

Two nights and 14 games later the first official State tournament champions will be crowned.

The tournaments will alternate, starting with a 9 a.m. game tomorrow in the B tournament and winding up an eight-game card with a 9:30 A game.

Four afternoon and evening games will be held Friday with the finals in both events Saturday night.

The Class A pairings for tomorrow:

10:30 a.m.—Tabor City vs. Hendersonville.

2:30 p.m.—Kinston vs. Sylva.

6:30 p.m.—Hanes, Winston-Salem, vs. Laurinburg.

9:30 p.m.—Statesville vs. Hillsboro.

The semifinals will be played at 2:30 and 7 p.m. Friday. The 2:30 game will match the Kinston-Sylva winner and the Hanes-Laurinburg victor. The other two survivors will tangle at 7 o'clock.

The championship final will be played at 8:30 o'clock Saturday night.

Tomorrow's Class B schedule:

9 a.m.—Stanley vs. Newport.

1 p.m.—Elizabethtown vs. Jonesville.

4 p.m.—Cullowhee vs. Bethel.

8 p.m.—Lowe's Grove vs. Richfield or Scotia.

Semifinals will be staged at 4 and 8:30 p.m. Friday. The 4 o'clock game will match the Stanley-Newport and Elizabethtown-Jonesville winners, with the other victors tomorrow tangle in Friday's second game.

The title tilt will be played at 7 o'clock, Saturday night.

Two of the Class B teams, Elizabethtown and Bethel, have come up to the tournament with only one setback to mar their seasonal records and share co-favorite positions.

Kinston, of the A division, has reported the highest scorer among the 16 clubs in a foot 4½-inch Center Bobby Hodges, who has bagged 253 points.

However, with tournament pressure often serving to fluster favorites and inspire short-enders, picking a champion in advance of actual competition is risky business.

TOURNAMENT STARTS FOR A, B SQUADS

Elizabethtown Cagers Upset by Jonesville—Kinston Posts Triumph.

Class B Results.
Stanley 47, Newport 23.
Bethel 45, Cullowhee 27.
Richfield 27, Lowe's Grove 24.

Class A Results.
Kinston 37, Sylva 28.
Hendersonville 53, Tabor City 31.
Laurensburg 49, Hanes 47.

By DICK JENNETTE.
Chapel Hill, March 11.—The season climax for the leading Class A and B high school basketball squads of North Carolina got underway here today as 16 teams saw action in a big first round program of games in the first annual NCHSAA cage tourney.

In the morning contests here today, a pair of Western North Carolina teams, Stanley, entered in the Class B division, and Hendersonville, Class A, romped to easy victories over their eastern opponents, Newport and Tabor City.

Last-Half Spree.
The Stanley-Newport game was close for the first half before the westerners caught fire in the second half to run up a 47-23 victory.

Stanley was out front at the end of the first quarter by a 15-11 count, but the scrappy Newport five came back to knot the score at 22-22 with just two minutes remaining in the first half.

However, R. J. Reid, who scored 19 points during the game, came through with two quick baskets to give Stanley a 25-22 lead at the half.

The second period found Coach Bill Royster's club red hot, and Stanley ran up a 35-23 lead at the three-quarter mark. With Reid showing the way, they never let up—ending up with a 25-point victory-margin. Ray Hovis had 12 points to be runner-up to Reid for high-scoring honors.

Tall Boys Star.
A rangy, ball-hawking Hendersonville outfit became the second club from the west to post a win in the tourney, defeating a much shorter Tabor City quint, 53-31, with little difficulty. Hendersonville enjoyed a height advantage of about two inches to the man, and the Bluebirds of Coach Dick Feather-

A and B Boxes

Player	G.	FT.	FF.	TP.
Stanley	47	13	11	12
Newport	23	6	4	7
Taylor	0	0	0	0
Phelps	0	0	0	0
Cooritz	0	0	0	0
Jones	0	0	0	0
Cardell	0	0	0	0
Lamm	0	0	0	0
Totals	13	11	12	12

Score at half, Stanley 28, Newport 22.
Free throws missed: Reid, Hovis, Hovis 2, Smith 2, Phillips 2, Kowitz 2, Carden 1, Lamm 1. Officials: Murray and Hayward.

Player	G.	FT.	FF.	TP.
Tabor City	31	11	11	11
Hendersonville	53	18	15	23
McCullough	0	0	0	0
Flaming	0	0	0	0
Jordan	0	0	0	0
McGraw	0	0	0	0
Young	0	0	0	0
Wilton	0	0	0	0
Kahn	0	0	0	0
Ryder	0	0	0	0
Owen	0	0	0	0
Totals	24	18	23	23

Score at half, Hendersonville 23, Tabor City 11.
Free throws missed: Henderson 2, Strickland 2, Stevens 2, McCullough 2, Flaming, Burnett, McGraw, Wilton 2, Ryder, O'Connell, and Jim Mills.

Player	G.	FT.	FF.	TP.
Bethel	45	16	14	11
Cullowhee	27	10	8	7
Hemingway	0	0	0	0
Whitley	0	0	0	0
Worsler	0	0	0	0
House	0	0	0	0
E. Keel	0	0	0	0
Cetterton	0	0	0	0
Smith	0	0	0	0
Whitehurst	0	0	0	0
Totals	16	14	11	11

Score at half, Hendersonville 20, Cullowhee 14.
Free throws missed: Hemingway 2, Whitley, Worsler 2, House 2, Simpson 2, Wike 2. Officials: Murray and Hayward.

Player	G.	FT.	FF.	TP.
Elizabethtown	31	11	11	11
Hendersonville	53	18	15	23
Clark	0	0	0	0
Jordan	0	0	0	0
McKay	0	0	0	0
Simpson	0	0	0	0
Cole	0	0	0	0
Evans	0	0	0	0
Swena	0	0	0	0
Britt	0	0	0	0
Dowless	0	0	0	0
Totals	11	11	11	11

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Free throws missed: Hemingway 2, Whitley, Worsler 2, House 2, Simpson 2, Cole, Tilley 2, Wike 2. Officials: Murray and Hayward.

Bethel Wins Way To Semi-Finals Of A-B Tourney

Chapel Hill, N.C., March 12.—(AP)—Semi-finals in the state's Class A and B high school basketball tournaments get underway at 2:30 p.m. this afternoon, and before the night is over a total of eight second-round teams will be polished down to the four finalists.

Action begins with Laurinburg and Kinston colliding in the Class A bracket. Hendersonville and Statesville, who drubbed their opponents yesterday, take the court at 7 p.m. to clean up the Class A semi-finals.

In the Class B, Stanley plays Jonesville at 4 p.m. and Bethel meets Richfield at 8:30.

Finals get underway at 7 p.m. tomorrow.

Yesterday's opening round results:
Hendersonville 53, Tabor City 31
Kinston 37, Sylva 22
Laurinburg 49, Hanes 47
Statesville 43, Hillsboro 28
Class B
Bethel 45, Cullowhee 27
Stanley 47, Newport 23
Jonesville 28, Elizabethtown 28
Richfield 37, Lowe's Grove 24

Bethel's smooth working engine trounced Cullowhee 45 to 27 in the closing afternoon game of the first round program in Class B competition.

Bethel streaked off to a 10 to 3 lead at the end of the first quarter. At halftime the winners were ahead 20 to 14 and were never threatened. Frank Hemingway led the scoring with 11 points followed by Earl Keel with 9. O. V. Cagle was high scorer for the losers with 10 points.

Player	G.	FT.	FF.	TP.
Bethel	45	16	14	11
Hemingway	0	0	0	0
W. Keel	0	0	0	0
Whitley	0	0	0	0
Bullock	0	0	0	0
Worsler	0	0	0	0
House	0	0	0	0
E. Keel	0	0	0	0
Cetterton	0	0	0	0
Smith	0	0	0	0
Whitehurst	0	0	0	0
Totals	20	16	14	11

Player	G.	FT.	FF.	TP.
Cullowhee	27	10	8	7
Simpson	0	0	0	0
Bryson	0	0	0	0
Norton	0	0	0	0
H. Wike	0	0	0	0
Cagle	0	0	0	0
Cole	0	0	0	0
Tilley	0	0	0	0
J. Wike	0	0	0	0
Taylor	0	0	0	0
Totals	11	11	11	11

Halftime score: Bethel 20, Cullowhee 14. Free throws missed: Hemingway 2, Whitley, Worsler 2, House 2, Simpson 2, Cole, Tilley 2, Wike 2. Officials: Murray and Hayward.

Tuesday, March 4, 1943

Bethel Invitational

Tournament Slated To

Open Monday Night

Eight Teams Participating; Four Games Scheduled For Opening Round; Cash Awards And Trophies To Be Given

By BERT MOYE

The Bethel Class B Invitational Basketball tournament will get under way on Monday night, March 8th, at 8:30 o'clock, in the Bethel gymnasium with eight teams in the eastern part of the state participating. The tournament, which is composed only of boys' teams, will have the following representatives: Ayden, Farmville, Walstonburg, Snow Hill, Robersonville, Vanceboro, South Edgewood and Bethel High quints.

Four games are on tap for Monday night when Ayden and Walstonburg will open the tourney at 8:30 o'clock. At 7:30 the Bethel quint, who is the top seeded team in the tourney, will meet South Edgewood High; at 8:30 the Vanceboro and Bethel High third seeded team will meet the Farmville lads, and the final game of the night at 9:30 will see the second seeded Robersonville boys playing the Snow Hill boys of Greene County.

In the semi-finals play on Tuesday night, March 9th, the winner of the Farmville-Vanceboro game will play the winner of the Robersonville-Snow Hill game at 7:30 p.m., and at 8:30 the winner of the Ayden-Walstonburg game will meet the winner of the Bethel-South Edgewood game.

Tuesday, March 9, 1943

Ayden, Bethel, Robersonville And Farmville Win Openers

Capacity Crowd Witnesses Lead-Off Games Of Bethel Invitational; Semi-Finals Tonight

Results Last Night
 Ayden 39, Bath 34
 Bethel 54, South Edgewood 27
 Farmville 23, Vanceboro 20.
 Robersonville 37, Snow Hill 20.

Tonight's Games
 7:30—Farmville vs Robersonville
 8:30—Bethel vs Ayden.

By BERT MOYE

Bethel's first Invitational Tournament for boys in Class "B" competition, opened up in Bethel's gym last night before a capacity crowd of basketball followers in this section. Three Pitt County teams came out victorious in the quarter finals last night as Ayden, Bethel, and Farmville posted wins in out-of-county competition and Robersonville in Martin County took the fourth game from the Snow Hill quint.

Ayden came from behind to win a 39-34 decision over Bath. The Bath quint was leading 19-18, at the half and maintained the lead until the closing minutes of the third quarter when Jim McCormick got a free throw and Bullock sank a field goal to put Ayden ahead. Edward Cox was the leading scorer for Ayden with 12 points. Ronald Byrd got 11 for Bath.

Bethel's strong quint trounced North Edgewood, 54-27. Bruce Hemingway got 16 points to lead the winners. William Owens was high for the losers, with 13 points. The powerful Bethel team was setting the pace, 29-12, at the half.

Farmville's team led all the way and managed to edge Vanceboro, 23-20. At the half, Farmville was leading 13-9. Dewey Hathaway got 12 points for the winning club. Tom Laughinghouse was high for Vanceboro, with nine points.

The semifinals are scheduled for Tuesday.

In the final game of the night the second-seeded Robersonville quint took a 37-24 win over the Snow Hill boys. Snow Hill grabbed the lead in the early minutes of the game but the Martin County boys tied it up at 9-9 in the early minutes of the

Bethel Cage Quint Wins Its Second Title In Tourney Play

Trounce Robersonville 54-31 In Finals; Of Invitational; Hemingway Paces Scoring With Twenty Points

By BERT MOYE

Coach Walter Latham's class Bethel High quint won its second tournament championship game in as many starts by defeating Robersonville, 54-31, for the title of the Bethel Invitational last night. The Indians previously had copped the Pitt County event.

Robersonville jumped into an early 4-0 lead in the first few minutes of the game, but Bethel managed to knot the count at 3-3. After the two teams were tied at 7-7, Frank Hemingway—who racked up a total of 20 points—rimmed a long set to provide Bethel with a 9-3 lead at the close of the first quarter. As the second stanza got under way, Walter Whitley got a lay-up for 11-3 lead, and from that point the Bethel boys were never headed, leading at the half 18-11, and at the end of the third quarter were out front 33-22. During the final quarter of the game the Bethel Indians limited the remaining nine points to free throws only.

Billy Hurst got 13 points and Claude Wilson accounted for nine for the losers. Whitley registered 11 for the winners.

In a preliminary game the Bethel Junior team defeated the Robersonville Juniors, 23-15. William Peele got 10 points for the winners and Ben Whitfield got six for the losers.

The Bethel Indians left this morning for Chapel Hill where they will tangle with Cullowee High at 6 o'clock in the Class B tourney for the State championship.

Following the game trophies were awarded to the winning and runner-up Robersonville team.

Following the championship game, a large silver cup was presented to the Bethel team for winning the tourney and a smaller cup was presented to the Robersonville team for the runner-up position. In addition both teams were presented a nice cash award by the Bethel tournament officials.

Scoring summary of championship game—Robersonville— forwards—Wilson 8, Forbes 3, Keel; center—Mallory 2; guards—Hurst 13, Bailey 5. Bethel— forwards— Whitley 11, Hemingway 20; center—Earl Keel

Wednesday, March 10, 1943

Bethel And Robersonville To Meet In Invitational Finals

Win Semifinals Over Ayden And Farmville; Whitley Paces Night's Scoring With Fourteen Points

LAST NIGHT'S RESULTS
 Bethel 44, Ayden 23
 Robersonville 35, Farmville 25

Bethel, March 10.—The host Bethel team and Robersonville gained berths in the finals of the Bethel Invitational basketball tournament by winning semifinals victories over Ayden and Farmville, respectively, here last night.

Robersonville triumphed over Farmville, 35-25, and Bethel scored a 44-23 victory over Ayden. Robersonville and Bethel meet for the title tonight at 8:30, following a consolation game between Ayden and Farmville.

Whit Mallory and Claude Wilson

Bethel Battles Way Into Finals

Chapel Hill, N.C., March 13—AP—North Carolina high school basketball champions in A and B classes will be decided in games here tonight.

Hendersonville meets Kinston in the Class A final and Bethel plays Stanley in the B.

The four clubs battled their way to the finals in the field of sixteen which opened play at the University of North Carolina's Woolen Gym Thursday.

Results of yesterday's semi-final games:

Class A—Kinston 32 Laurinburg 15 Hendersonville 41 Statesville 40
Class B—Bethel 37 Richfield 29 Stanley 44

Bethel	G	FT	PF	TP
Hemingway, f	4	0	4	8
Whitley, f	4	2	2	10
Worsley, c	2	2	3	6
House, c	5	1	4	11
B. Smith, g	1	0	3	2
Whitehurst, g	0	0	0	0
E. Keel, g	0	0	1	0

Totals	G	FT	PF	TP
Totals	16	5	17	37
Richfield	G	FT	PF	TP
E. Caudle, f	4	2	4	10
Barringer, f	0	0	0	0
Watson, f	4	3	4	11
D. Caudle, f	0	0	0	0
Misenheimer, c	0	4	2	4
Frick, c	0	2	0	2
Earnhardt, g	1	0	0	2
Russell, g	0	0	2	0

Totals 9 11 12 29
Half-time score: Bethel 16 Richfield 15 Free throws missed: Hemingway 2 Whitley 3 Worsley 2 House 3 E. Keel 2 E. Caudle 3 Misenheimer 3 Earnhardt 1 Officials: Joe Mills and Jim Mills

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Totals	18	5	16	43

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Reid, f	4	1	4	9
Saunders, f	4	4	4	16
Hovis, f	2	0	0	0
Brooks, f	0	0	0	0
Morris, c	0	0	0	0
Garrison, g	3	3	3	9
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before they would quote a price on tonight's game. Dick had mumps on one side of his face and throat once before. "There's about five cases out at school now," he reported this afternoon, "and most of the boys are swollen a lot more

to open the last stands and Bethel's lead was reduced to 33-32, with six minutes to go. Ray Hovis got a free toss to knot the count at 33-all, with five minutes to go.

Bethel's F. Hemingway got a push but F. Smith of Stanley got a free toss. Bethel's William Keel got a free throw and the Braves led, 38-34, with two minutes to play. Hemingway got a layup to boost the lead but Stanley's Reid banged home a set and Bethel led by two points with 1:40 remaining. Walter Whitley got a layup to increase Bethel's lead to 41-34, with 1:20 remaining. Max Garrison of Stanley got a free throw and F. Smith got a push shot with less than a minute to play. Stanley, then took three unsuccessful shots at the basket and House got a layup as the gun sounded for Bethel.

Hendersonville took an early lead and held a 13-11 margin at the end of the first quarter, but the Kinston team employed a fast break and had taken a 23-19 advantage by halftime. At the end of the third quarter Kinston was still setting the pace, 32-29, but with only 3:50 remaining in the ball game, the Hendersonville crew led the count.

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Kinston defeated Laurinburg, 31-18. Stanley eliminated Jonesville, 44-22. Hendersonville won over Statesville, 41-40, and Bethel defeated Richfield, 37-29, in a pair of semi-finals double headers this afternoon and tonight.

A favored Bethel team had a fight on its hands for most of three periods in the final game tonight before running away from the Richfield five. Richfield held a 8-4 lead after a slow-moving first quarter, and Bethel had achieved only a one-point lead at halftime, 18-15.

The winners led, 37-22, by the end of the third period and began to steadily mount the margin in the last quarter.

A. House and Whitley, with 11 and 10 points, respectively, set the scoring pace for Bethel. Watson and E. Caudle, with 11 and 10, led Richfield.

The Closest Yet.
A long, last-chance set shot from near mid court just three seconds before the final gun sounded gave the strong Hendersonville quint a 41-40 victory over Statesville in tonight's opening game which was the best in the tournament to date.

David Strider, Hendersonville guard, made the winning basket after Statesville had succeeded in freezing the ball for one minute and forty seconds as it nursed a one-point lead. It was a fitting climax to a battle which was as close as fur on a cat's back all the way.

The score was tied, 11-11, at the end of the first period; Statesville led, 24-23, at the half; Hendersonville held a 34-32 advantage at the three-quarter mark.

John McGraw, 8-5 Hendersonville center, carried the scoring load for the boys from the mountain section of the State as he poured 17 points through the nets. Carl Brittain, Statesville guard, scored 14 points. Kinston's Red Devils pulled a mild surprise to move into the Class A finale by doubling the score on Laurinburg, 31-18, which had impressed last night's audience by eliminating a strong Hanes team of Winston-Salem.

A and B Boxes

Class A	G	FT	PF	TP
Kinston	32			
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MANGRUM CANNOT GET THE VARDEN TROPHY
Jacksonville, Fla., March 12—Lloyd Mangrum of Chicago today was ruled ineligible for the Varden trophy, awarded annually

follow shot for a 25-23 lead. Freeman counted on another follow for Jonesville to increase the lead to 27-23. Eric Clark retaliated with a layup for Elizabethtown, but Ross scored for the winners on a technical foul shot, when an Elizabethtown player was substituted in the game and withdrawn without playing any.

Jonesville waived one foul shot in order to freeze the ball in the last two minutes.

Defensive Battle.

Kinston became the first team from the eastern part of North Carolina to win a game in the tourney. Coach Bill Fay's Red Devils disposed of Sylva in a Class A tilt, 27-23. Defense was the predominating feature of the game, and at the end of the first quarter, the score was only 5-4—in Sylva's favor. The Easterners took over after that and were never headed in the final three quarters.

Only one senior was listed in the Kinston lineup and the youthful Red Devils appear to be a team that will cause plenty of trouble in future years. Bobby Hodges, a big 6-4 sophomore, led Kinston with 12 points. Fred Williams accounted for 10 to take the runner-up honors. Jack Cunningham hit for 12 points to lead the losers.

Bethel's Classy Quintet Displayed

Bethel's classy quintet displayed one of the most accurate shooting performances on the East Coast, scoring 45-27 in a spirited Class B contest. At halftime the Bethel cagers were setting the pace, 20-14. Hemingway, Bethel forward, collected individual scoring honors, with 11 points. E. Keel contributed nine, and Smith added seven. Cagle was high for the losers, with 10 points. Cole was runnerup for Cullowhee, hitting the nets for six points.

Laurinburg Wins.

Laurinburg advanced a notch in the Class A bracket by scoring a 40-47 victory over Hanes of Winston-Salem in tonight's first game. In a close battle all the way, Arthur Alford tossed in a hook shot for Laurinburg to tie the score at 47-47 with less than a minute left in the game. With 15 seconds left, Stewart rammed a push shot through the basket to win for Laurinburg.

Alford, with 19 points, paced the winners, followed by Buchanan, who tallied 14. Gibson and Stevenson got 14 and 13, respectively, for Hanes.

Richfield Advances.

Richfield came from behind in the last four minutes to climax an uphill struggle and defeat Lowe's Grove, 37-34, in a Class B contest. Richfield went ahead for the first time since the opening minute when

Alford, A.	19	11	11	11
Buchanan, B.	14	14	14	14
Gibson, C.	14	14	14	14
Stevenson, D.	13	13	13	13
Stewart, E.	10	10	10	10
Totals	60	60	60	60

Alford, A.	19	11	11	11
Buchanan, B.	14	14	14	14
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Watson tossed in two free throws to make the score 34-32 with 2:30 left in the game. B. Misenheimer, who paced the winners with 13 points, followed with three quick points to clinch the verdict. A. Adams, with 14, led Lowe's Grove. **Stateville Scores.**

Stateville's quintet proved too tall for Hillsboro and posted a 23-25 decision in the final game on tonight's program. The Stateville boys averaged about six feet, one inch, whereas the Hillsboro team was composed entirely of boys under six feet.

At the half, Stateville was leading, 18-12. Ken Rosemond collected all of the losers' 13 points in the first half. He paced the individual scoring parade for the game, with 17 points. Miller and Brittain got 10 each to lead the winning outfit.

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Bethel's Indians, State Class B Champions



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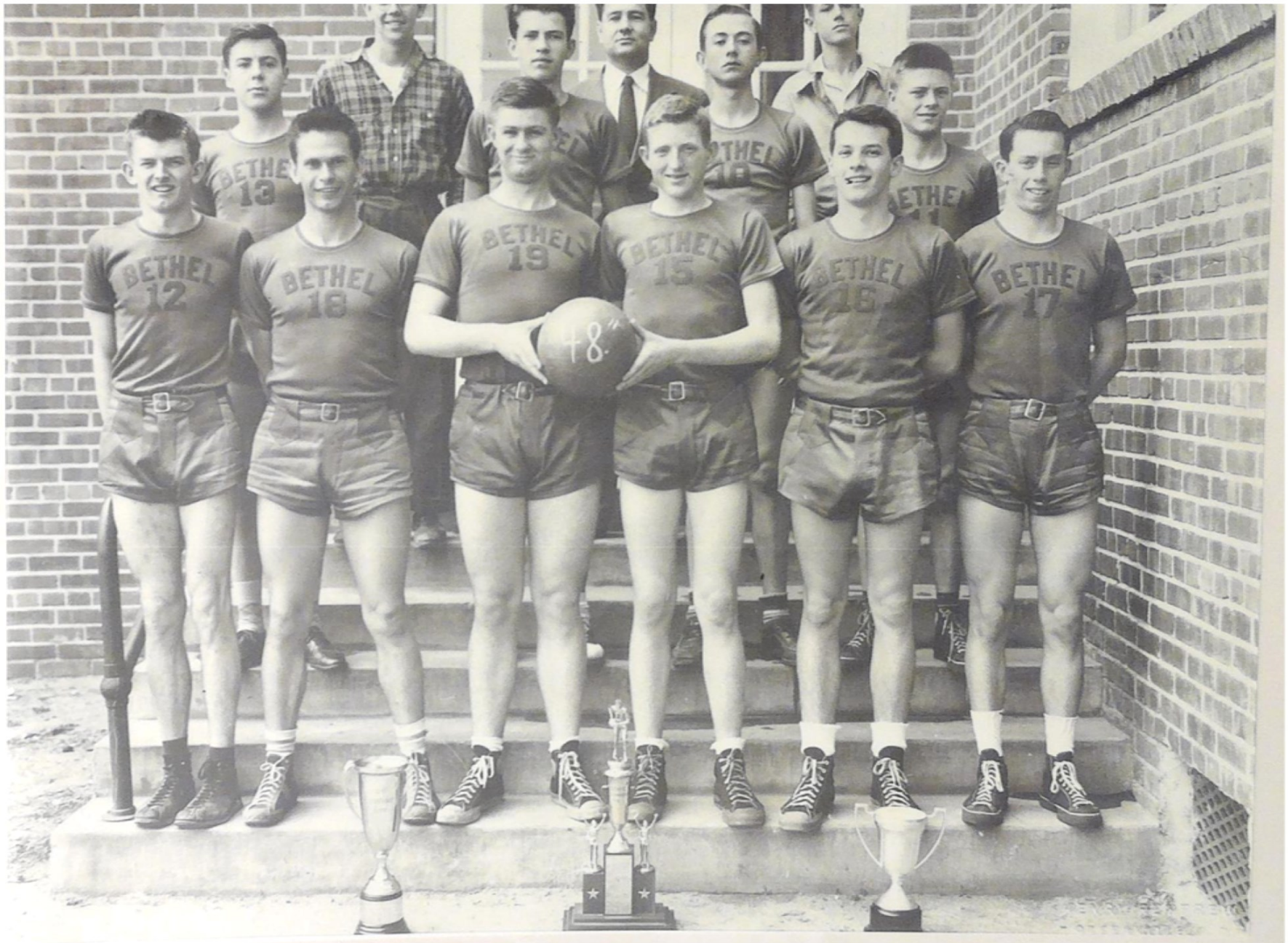
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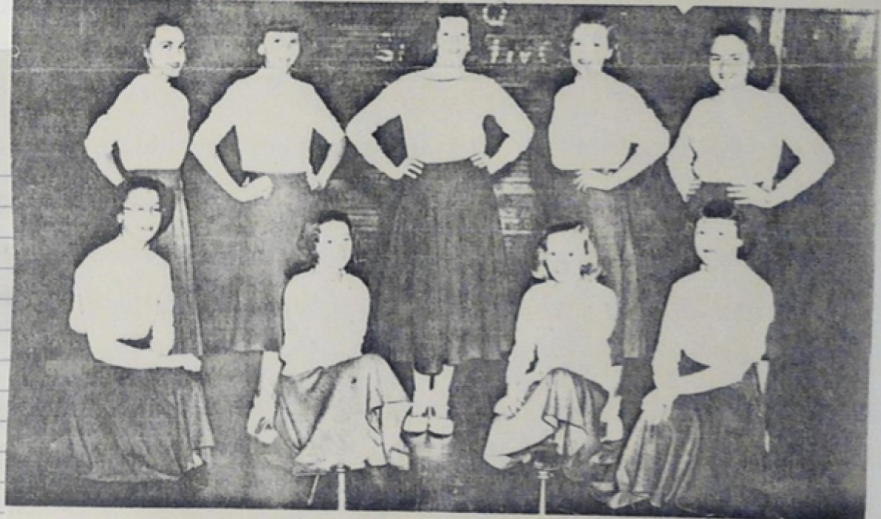
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*Jane,
We'll keep
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Williamston
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What's Up, Doc?

Rock-a-Bye Baby

CHEERLEADERS



"We are the inspiration of our team"
First Row: Sue Bland, Mary Jo Wynne, Jenny Lee Whitehurst, Beth Brik
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Straight from Dix Hill



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Red Bull	0	
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Worsley	4-6-4	14
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As an extension of tickets will be sent to each school with a team in the tournament. They are also on sale at the athletic office at Carolina, next to the two schools.

Only two Class A teams have been qualified so far. They are Kinston in District 1 and Henderson in District 1, both from the East. Three Class B teams already determined are Lewis Grove (District 2) and Bethel (District 1) in the East, and Stanley (District 1) in the West.

Officials named for the tournaments include George Haged, scorer; Henry House, timer; and Dick Ansel, announcer. The referees are yet to be selected.

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'All-American Red Heads' Play In Bethel January 4

Long And Short



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Bettie Arends, Margie's sister, is a recent addition to the Red Heads, and performed last season with a leading AAU team in Des Moines, Iowa.

All in all, the aggregation is comprised of heads-up ball players who have added a touch of showmanship to the artistry they display on the hardwood floor.

They have been featured in articles in Collier's, Life Pic and other leading magazines.

Bethel Boys Get Narrow Victory

Bethel, Jan. 5.—Bethel high school's high flying boys basketball team took its 15th win of the season by toppling the All-American Red Heads girls team 41-36 in the high school gym last night.

The Red Heads put on a show of comedy and fun added to expert ability to keep the Bethel squad fighting for the victory until the final moments of the contest. With only five minutes to go, the Bethel team came from behind to clinch the game with five accurate field goals. Gene Love, 6'4" Red Head led the game's scoring with 12 points, followed by Mack Whitehurst with seven and Earl Keel and Percy Gene Manning with six.

The Bethel team in gaining its 15th win in 17 starts this season veered away from its regular fast-break style of play to cope with the Red Heads' easy-going wheel-horse system based on their accuracy with long shots.

During the half-time Hazel Walker, six-time winner of the national free-throw championship, rang 20 straight free throws, while two members of the Bethel team could total only 18 hits out of 20 tries. Walker rang nine out of 10 free throws from a kneeling position.

The Bethel squad goes to Winterville Friday night for a doubleheader with the boys and girls teams of Winterville high school.

Top Spot In County Cage Circuit Still Deadlocked

On basis of the reported games, Ayden and Bethel are still fighting it out for the top place on the Pitt County race of the boys games. Ayden has 10 victories against no defeats while Bethel has chalked up 9 triumphs.

The Arthur and Ayden lasses are leading the hoop race with 10-0 victories against two defeats. However, Ayden is on top because of the game marked against Arthur.

Team	W	L
Bethel	9	0
Ayden	10	0
Winterville	6	4
Chilco	6	4
Griffon	5	4
Farmville	5	4
Belvoir	4	4
Arthur	1	9

Team	W	L
Ayden	5	2
Arthur	5	2
Griffon	7	3
Chilco	6	3
Belvoir	3	6
Winterville	1	9

KINSTON 41, BETHEL 33. Kinston, Jan. 19.—The Red Devils Granger High defeated Bethel tonight. Bobby Hodges, with 12 points and Fred Williams, with 11, paced winners' offense. Smith, with 10 points, led Bethel. The locals in the half, 19-11, in a preliminary test, the Bethel Jayvees defeated Kinston's reserves, 22-16. Nelson got points for Bethel, and Davis for Kinston.

Pitt Basketball Standings Show Change In Week

The Pitt County basketball stand has taken quite a shifting during the past week in both the boys and girls leagues. The Bethel and Ayden boys are holding on to their unbeaten records and the lead in the county with 9-0, 6-0 records, respectively. Farmville with a 4-4 count has moved into second place displacing Griffonland who moved down into a three way tie for fourth position. Winterville held on to third place with a win over the Arthur boys during the week.

The lasses from Griffon still lead their group by a close margin. The Ayden girls being in second place having lost only one game, but with one less win than Griffon. The Arthur girls took over third spot this week by defeating the Winterville sextette.

Tuesday night, Jan. 25th, Griffon high plays Farmville at Griffon and Ayden plays host to the Arthur team.

Boys' Teams	W	L
Bethel	9	0
Ayden	10	0
Farmville	4	4
Winterville	4	4
Griffonland	4	4
Chilco	4	4
Belvoir	4	4
Arthur	1	9

Girls' Teams	W	L	T
Griffon	6	1	1
Ayden	5	1	0
Arthur	6	2	0
Farmville	5	2	1
Griffonland	5	2	1
Chilco	4	3	1
Bethel	3	3	0
Winterville	1	4	0
Belvoir	1	6	0

Bethel, Ayden Have Lead In Pitt League

STANDINGS.	W	L
Bethel	10	0
Ayden	10	0
Farmville	4	4
Winterville	4	4
Chilco	4	4
Griffon	4	4
Belvoir	4	4
Arthur	1	9

Greenville, Jan. 25.—The Bethel boys basketball team remains two games ahead of Ayden in the win column of Pitt County basketball play, but as yet neither team has tasted defeat in the circuit.

The Red and Blues of Bethel have nine games behind them, while the Gray clad team of Ayden has waded through seven losses without being toppled. The Farmville boys retained their second place position during the week despite a defeat by Griffon.

The Arthur girls moved from third position to first place when they defeated the Ayden girls last Tuesday night. The closeness of the race in the girls games is shown in that only about one game's difference exists in the first six places. Griffon has lost only two games but has had two games end in a tie. Ayden has also lost but two games, but have played three less than Silver Arthur of Griffon.

Bethel Cagers Top Griffesland

Griffesland, Jan. 10.—Bethel High defeated Griffesland in both games of a doubleheader played here last night.

The Bethel girls opened the bill with a 22-19 decision. Mary Ella Moore, with 19 points, did almost all of the scoring for the winners. Jane Hardie got nine for Griffesland.

The Bethel boys romped to a 61-20 decision. William Earl House scored 18 points and W. Z. Worley got 11 for the winners. Billy Tucker scored 11 for Griffesland. The winners were ahead at the half, 33-17.

BETHEL DIVIDES.
Morehead City, Feb. 8.—The Bethel basketball quint came from behind in the second half to defeat Morehead City, 43-37, in the feature game of a high school doubleheader here tonight. Bill Smith and Frank Hemmaway, with 14 and eight points respectively, were top scorers for Bethel. Tommie Seagle and Tommy Cordova, with nine and eight points respectively, led Morehead City. Morehead City led at halftime, 20-18.

In a preliminary game, the Morehead City girls scored a 27-25 victory. Ester Willie and Nancy Derrackson, with 13 and 11 points, respectively, led the winners. Mary Moore, with 11, and Joe Ann Crisp, with eight, were Bethel's scoring leaders.

BETHEL WINS PAIR.
Griffesland, Jan. 12.—Bethel High defeated Griffesland in both games of a doubleheader played here tonight.

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the losers.

Bethel 47, Farmville 22 (Boys)
 Coach Walter Latham's Bethel Indians had little difficulty advancing to the finals in last night's game as they chalked up a 47 to 22 win over the fourth-seeded Farmville quint. Bethel went out in front in the early minutes of play and as the half ended were out front 8 to 3 holding the Farmville quint to three lone points during this first quarter. As the half ended Bethel boys had piled up a 28 to 18 lead, and at the end of the third quarter were out front 36 to 22.

Bill Smith and William Earle House with 11 points each set the pace for the Bethel boys. Albritton and King, with 9 and 8 points respectively, led the 1947 attack.

Ayden 27, Farmville 21 (Girls)
 The Ayden girls downed the Farmville sextette, 27 to 21 in the third game of semifinals play, in a game which was marked by close play throughout. The Ayden girls went out in front in the early minutes of play and led all through the first half. At the end of the first quarter the Ayden ladies were out front 6 to 1; and at the half were leading 11 to 9.

In the start of the third quarter the score became tied at 11-11, but Janice Turnage of Ayden made good on a field goal to put the Ayden girls out front for the rest of the game, after which they were never headed. At the end of the third period Ayden was leading 19 to 14.

Janice Turnage with 17 points led the attack of the Ayden girls while her teammate Helen Joyce Whitehurst accounted for the other 10 points. D. Hathaway with 9 points led the losers.

Ayden 21, Winterville 22 (Boys)
 In the final game of semifinals play the Ayden boys defeated the Winterville quint 21 to 22 in a hard fought game. During the first half the lead changed hands several times with Ayden out front three times and the Winterville team out front twice. At the end of the first quarter the Ayden lads were leading 6-7; and as the half ended had a 13-17 advantage.

The Winterville boys managed to knot the count at 21-21 in the third

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BETHEL WINS
 Morehead City, Feb. 2.—The Bethel basketball quint came off behind in the second half, but still won the City, 47-22, in the feature game of a high school doubleheader here tonight.

Bill Smith and Frank Harrington were the Bethel scorers in the first half. Smith and Tommy Curdus, with nine and eight points respectively, led 10 to 11 at Morehead City led at halftime, 20-18.

In a preliminary game, the Morehead City girls won a 27-21 victory, while Willis and Nancy Derricksen, with 11 and 10 points, respectively, led the winners. Mary Moore, with 11, and Joe Ann Crisp, with eight, were Bethel's scoring leaders.

Bethel Club Collects
Win No. 30 For Year

Bethel, Feb. 2.—Bethel and Grifton divided a pair of basketball games here tonight. Coach Walter Latham's boys pulled to a 34-19 victory triumph in the nightcap after the local sextet had dropped a close 23-21 decision.

For the winning boys, it was the 30th victory of the club, as against 21 defeats. Needham Brumfield of Morehead, Washington, N. C., was the star win over Bethel.

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PITT COUNTY STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Points
Ayden	11	10	1012
Grifton	10	11	985
Morehead	11	10	1012
Winterville	10	11	985
Bethel	11	10	1012
Farmville	10	11	985
Waynesville	10	11	985
Weldon	10	11	985
Waynesboro	10	11	985
Wendell	10	11	985
Wilmington	10	11	985
Wrightsville	10	11	985
Yadkinville	10	11	985
Yonkers	10	11	985
Zionsville	10	11	985

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den girls began to find the basket and when the quarter ended were leading by a 31 to 21 score, holding the Arthur sextette to three lone points. The fourth quarter the winners added ten more points to their total while the Arthur girls were able to tally only four points and when the minute blew the Ayden girls had won by the score of 40 to 23.

Helen Joyce Whitehurst with 17 points led the attack for the winners with Janice Turnage and Catherine Woodson, with 13 and 10 points respectively, helping the cause along. B. Moringo with 16 points led the losers.

The lineup:

Team	FG	FT	TP
Ayden	7	17	1
Whitehurst, f.	8	10	1
Woodson, f.	5	13	1
Turnage, f.	5	13	1
L. McLawhorn	0	0	0
Allice Cox, g.	0	0	0
Annie Cox, g.	0	0	0
Little, g.	0	0	0
Jackson, g.	17	6	40

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Team	W	L	Points
Smith, f.	8	2	12
Hemingsway, f.	2	1	8
Whitehurst, c.	3	1	8
W. Keel, g.	2	0	4
House, g.	4	0	8
E. Keel, g.	2	1	11
Totals	24	10	58
Ayden			
Jenkins, f.	3	5	9
Harrington, g.	3	1	7
Wilson, f.	0	0	0
Teddy Bullock, g.	4	1	0
Griffin, c.	0	0	0
Tom Bullock, g.	0	0	0
McCormick, g.	0	0	0
J. Jackson, g.	0	0	0
Dunn, g.	0	0	0
Totals	13	10	26

Halftime Score: Bethel 24, Ayden 19.

Personal Fouls — Worsley 4, House 4, Smith 1, M. Whitehurst 2, Teddy Bullock 2, Jenkins 4, Tom Bullock 3, Free 2, Jackson 3, Harrington 3, McCormick 3, Worsley 3, Smith 1, Throws missed — Worsley 3, Smith 1, M. Whitehurst 1, House 1, W. Keel 2, Teddy Bullock 1, Jenkins 4, Tom Bullock 1, McCormick 3, Griffin 1.

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eriod, but a field goal by Billy Jenkins, center, put the Ayden boys out front for the rest of the game. At the end of the third quarter the Ayden boys were leading by a 31 to 20 margin.

Billy Jenkins, center, and Jim McCormick, guard, with 12 and 10 points respectively, led the attack for Ayden. Tom Castlejo account ed for half of Winterville's points by scoring a total of 16 points in a quarter with 8 points was second high.

BETHEL WINS NO. 31
 Bethel, Feb. 12.—Bethel High defeated Oak City in both ends of a basketball doubleheader here tonight.

The Bethel Indians five scored their first victory of the season by whipping Oak City, 50-24, in the feature game. Budon, Mearns led the losers, with seven points. W. E. Worsley and William Earle House were the Bethel scoring leaders for the winners, with 10 points each.

Jo Ann Crisp scored 22 points for the winning girls in a 28-18 conquest of Oak City. Mary Earl Batts bagged five points to spark the victors.

Chapel Hill, Feb. 12.—Plans for the State high school basketball championship, scheduled in the Wake Indoor Stadium, Durham, March 10-11-12, were completed here today at a meeting of the tournament committee.

Eight teams will compete in the Class AA event. L. J. Perry, executive secretary of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association, announced. They will be the four teams in the Eastern and Western conferences respectively, which end the season with the highest percentage averages.

Only four teams will take part in each the Class A and Class B tournaments, which will be run simultaneously.

Regional Tournaments
 The Class A teams invited will be the winners of the four regional tournaments, scheduled March 4-8, at Wake Forest, Fayetteville, Winston-Salem, and Valdese, Perry said.

The two teams from each the northeastern Conference and District Three will compete in the regional tournament at Wake Forest. Winston-Salem currently is leading the northeastern Conference and Chapel Hill District Three.

Competing in the Fayetteville regional tournament will be the two top teams from each District Two and District Four. Taber City, Winterville, and Morehead City are leading District Two, and Dumas and Burlington are in the van in Dis-

CRIFTON DIVIDES
 Bethel, Feb. 12.—Grifton and Bethel basketball teams exchanged a win and a loss here last night with the Grifton girls winning the opener, 23-21. In the boys game, Bethel whipped Grifton 34-19.

Worsley led the scoring for the Bethel boys, with 22 points. Mumford and Ewell each had eight points to lead the Grifton five. Mumford led the Grifton girls with 16 points, and Moore had nine for the losing girls.

PITT TOURNAMENT
 Greenville, Feb. 12.—The annual Pitt County Basketball tournament will open in the Wright Gymnasium at East Carolina Teachers' College on Monday, Feb. 23 and will run through March 3, schools participating in the high school age group.

Opening rounds will be Feb. 23, March 1, 2, and 3, with the semifinals being played on March 4, and the finals on Saturday night, March 6.

Eight Quints Will Compete For AA Title

The leading teams from the South Piedmont Conference and District Three of the West will compete in the Winston-Salem tournament. Five teams at present are in a hot battle for the title.

The Valdese tournament will be made up of the two top teams in the Western Conference and the winners of the Rocky Mountain and Blue Ridge conferences.

In Class B the plan is to have the champions of the 100 counties in the State play in 18 district tournaments. Winners of these then will compete in four regional tournaments to determine the four teams for the championship event at Durham.

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Bethel Quintet Takes First Tilt In Play-Off With Ayden

Indians Take 54-28 Decision; Ayden Girls Win, 33-25; Two Leading Teams In County Play Second Game Tonight

Saturday's Results
Bethel 54, Ayden 28 (Boys' game)
Ayden 33, Bethel 25 (Girls game)
Tonight's Games
7:30 — Bethel Jayvees vs Ayden Jayvees
8:30 — Bethel vs Ayden (Playoff series)

By BERT MOYE
Coach Walter Latham's Bethel Indians defeated Coach Stuart's Ayden quint, 54 to 28 in the first of a series of three games, the winner of which is to represent Pitt County in the State Class B eliminations, at the Wright gymnasium at East Carolina Teachers College Saturday night before more than a thousand rabid fans.

Pared by Bill Smith, Bethel's forward, who scored 25 of his team's 54 points, the Indians had little trouble in getting the win Bethel went out in front in the early minutes of the first period on a free throw by Billy House, after Ayden had knotted the count at two-all and went on to go out in front at the end of the first quarter 11 to 3. During this first quarter the Ayden boys were unable to connect for a field goal, making all three of their points on free tosses.

In the second period the Bethel lads held the Ayden lads to four points, while they racked up 10 more, and the final period saw the winners running wild as they tallied sixteen points. During the entire game the Ayden boys made only four field goals with 20 of their points coming on free throws.

Bill Smith, Bethel forward, with 11 field goals and three free throw goals for 25 points, led the winners. Frank Hemmingway and Billy House with 11 and 9 points, respectively were runners-up.

Jim McCormick, Ayden guard connected with two field goals and six free tosses, good for 10 points, to lead the losers.

Girls' Game
In a preliminary game the Ayden girls, who at the present time are sporting a 9 to 2 margin in the win and loss column in county play, had little trouble with the Bethel lassies, as they tramped them to the tune of 33 to 25.

The Ayden lassies, led by Helen Joyce Whitehurst, with a total of 21 points, led all through the game and were never threatened. As the half ended the Ayden team was leading by a 21 to 7 score. Mary Ella Moore with 14 points, was high scorer for the losers.

Awards Given Pitt Teams And Players

Gold Cups For Tournament Champs; Medals And Sportsmanship Trophy Presented; All-Tourney Teams Are Selected

By BERT MOYE
Following the conclusion of the tournament Saturday night the following awards were presented by D. H. Conley, superintendent of Pitt County Schools and Garlan Bailey, chairman of the Pitt County Athletic Committee.

Gold cups were awarded to the Ayden girls' team and the Bethel boys' team for winning the tournament.

Gold medals were awarded to the members of the winning teams in both the girls and boys divisions.

Silver medals were awarded to the runners-up teams—the Arthur girls and the Ayden boys.

A Sportsmanship Trophy was awarded to the boys and girls' team of Belvoir High School for the best sportsmanship displayed.

The Pitt County All-Tournament girls' team as selected by the coaches of the various schools was as follows:

Janice Turnage (Ayden), forward; Virginia Crawford (Arthur) forward and captain; Claudia Pollard (Belvoir), forward; Nell Mumford (Grifton), forward; guards—Nelson (Belvoir), Stencil (Grifton) and Alice Cox (Ayden).

These players receive honorable mention on the boys' team as follows:

Edks. Grimesland, House, Bethel; Jenkins, Ayden; M. Whitehurst, Bethel; Rogers, Grifton; Hemmingway, Bethel; Keel, Bethel; Harrington, Ayden.

Silver medals were presented to the players selected on the All-Tournament teams.

mention on the girls' team are as follows: Braxton, Grifton; D. Hathaway, Farmville; Langston, Winterville; Whitehurst, Ayden; Moore, Bethel; Phillips, Grifton; V. Moxing, Arthur; B. Moxing, Arthur; Jones, Belvoir; McLawhorn, Grimesland; Murphy, Farmville; Brock, Farmville; Bright, Winterville; Bowers, Bethel; Stencil, Chatham; McLawhorn, Arthur; Barfield, Grifton; P. Crawford, Arthur.

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Tom Castaloo (Winterville), forward and captain; Bill Smith (Belvoir), forward; Ray Mumford (Grifton), center; W. Z. Worley (Bethel), guard; and Albritton (Farmville), guard.

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Boys' Game		
	FG	FT
Bethel	11	22
Hemmingway, f.	3	5
W. Keel, f.	3	0
Smith, f.	11	3
Barnhill, f.	0	0
Whitehurst, c.	0	0
Bullock, c.	0	0
House, g.	4	1
Tetterton, g.	0	0
E. Keel, g.	1	3
Nelson, g.	0	0
Totals	22	10

Ayden		
Jackson, f.	0	1
Terry Bullock, f.	0	3
Harrington, f.	0	1
Wilson, f.	0	0
Jenkins, c.	1	3
Griffin, c.	0	3
Tom Bullock, g.	1	3
McCormick, g.	2	6
Dunn, g.	0	0
Totals	4	20

Halftime score: Bethel 28, Ayden 13. Free throws missed: W. Keel 2, Smith 4, Barnhill 1, Whitehurst 2, Tetterton 1, E. Keel 1, Terry Bullock 1.

Girls' Game		
Bethel	33	25
Whitehurst, f.	11	21
Moore, f.	14	14
Joyce, f.	6	6
Conley, f.	0	0
Stewart, f.	0	0
House, g.	4	4
Tetterton, g.	0	0
E. Keel, g.	1	3
Nelson, g.	0	0
Totals	33	25

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Bethel Tops Jamesville 35-33 In Overtime Tilt

Hathcock 3, Cooper 3, Dray, Galther, Savini, Oane, Everton 2, Collier, Moxey 2, Tanner, Pennell, Harrison 2, Baker 2, Maesnie. Officials: Joe and Jim Mills.

Bethel, Feb. 16.—Coach Walter Latham's Bethel Indians topped the Jamesville high school cagers 35 to 33 in an overtime thriller here last night, which gave the locals win number 34 for the season.

In the preliminary game the Jamesville girls dropped the Bethel lassies 30 to 17.

In the boys game Jamesville took the lead early in the first quarter and continued to increase the margin between the two teams until midway the third period when the Bethel players pulled to within two points of the victors.

With less than one minute to go in the final period Jamesville clung to a one point lead but a successful free throw by Bill Smith threw the game into overtime 31-31 when the final whistle blew.

In the overtime period each team scored once during the first two minutes, and then Bill Smith drove in a long push shot to give the Bethel lads the lead for the first time in the game. With the slim two point margin the Indians managed to freeze the ball for the final minute of play and win 35-33.

Bill Brewer of Jamesville took the scoring honors by personally accounting for 22 of his team's 33 points. Hank McHenry for Bethel was Frank Hemmingway with 11 and W. Z. Worley with eight.

In the girls' game Barbara Coltrain was high scorer for Jamesville with 16 and Jean Crisp led for Bethel with nine points.

Six Tournaments This Weekend For B Cagers

Chapel Hill, Feb. 23.—Six tournaments will be run off this weekend in the Eastern Class B Conference to set the stage for the statewide tournament in Durham two weeks hence, it was revealed here today by L. J. Perry, executive secretary of the State school-boy association.

Eastern District One will begin play today, also at Farmville, with Columbia playing Bethel and Vanceboro meeting Jamesville.

District two will pick a champion in a tournament at Magnolia with Elizabethtown playing Camp Lejeune, and Richlands facing Magnolia.

District three is host to District Three, with Littleton meeting Ballew and Wilton tackling Clayton on Friday night.

Massy Hill, near Fayetteville, is the scene of the District Four tournament which opens play on Thursday night. Fairmont meets Angier, and Laurel Hill plays Massy Hill. Friday night, Deep River takes on Aberdeen, and the Fairmont-Angier and Laurel Hill-Massy Hill winners play.

At Winston-Salem, the play begins for District One in the West on Thursday night, with King playing Madison, and Kernersville playing Yadkinville. On Friday night, Curry plays Pilot Mountain, and the winner of the King-Madison game will play the winner of the Kernersville-Yadkinville game. At Rockwell on Friday night, Endy plays Rockwell and Trinity plays Maiden in the western District Two tournament.

The finals in all of these tournaments will be played on Saturday night.

Six Winners Meet.
The following week, the winners of the Farmville tournament will play the winner of the Jamesville tournament; the winner of the Magnolia tournament will play the winner of the Massy Hill tournament; the winner of the Winston-Salem tournament will play the winner of the Rockwell tournament. The winners of these three games, along with the winner of a tournament being held in Asheville the first week in March, will represent the Class B schools in the State tournament at Duke March 11-12.

On the weekend of March 4-5, the winners of the State will play in Wake Forest, Laurinburg, Winston-Salem and Valdese. The winner of each of these tournaments will be the champion of the State.

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ever was National Guard's John Denton, with 20 points. Robert Coakley with nine points for Sage, and Al Beckwith and Pete Spencer with seven points each for the Blue Devils. Walter the center leaders in that contest.

Bethel Wins Tilt.
Bethel, Feb. 11.—Bethel High's Indians defeated Snow Hill in three games played here tonight. W. Z. Worley scored 13 points to spark the Tribe to its 35th victory of the season, 35-34. Bob Moxey led 13 for the losers. Jim Ann Crisp collected 11 points as the local petard scored a 35-23 victory in the second game. Moxey led 13 for the losers. The Bethel Jayvees scored a 34-27 victory over Snow Hill's junior varsity. Bobby Manning tallied nine points for the winners and R. Moore had six for the losers.

Cary Beats Garner.
Cary, Feb. 11.—Cary's boys defeated Garner 35-25 in a basketball game played here tonight. Cary's boys were led by Bob Moxey with 13 points. Garner's boys were led by John Denton with 10 points.

Split Two Games.
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After trailing at the half, Bethel came back to knot the count, 31-31, at the end of the game, and went on to win during the overtime.

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Frank Hemmingway led the scoring over the Bethel boys with 11 points, and Billy Brewer had 11 for the Jamesville boys.

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BETHEL, ROBERSONVILLE REACH TOURNAY FINALS

Bethel, March 3.—The host Bethel team and Robersonville gained berths in the finals of the Bethel invitation basketball tournament by winning semifinals victories over Ayden and Farmville, respectively, here tonight.

Robersonville triumphed over Farmville, 35-25, and Bethel scored a 44-23 victory over Ayden. Robersonville and Bethel meet for the title tomorrow night at 8:30, following a consolation game between Ayden and Farmville.

Walt Mallory and Claude Wilson scored 18 and nine points, respectively, to lead Robersonville to tonight's victory. Dewey Hathaway, with 10, and Sidney Carroway, eight, were the leading point-makers for Farmville.

Walt Whitley, with 14 points, paced the Bethel five in the nightcap. Teddy Bullock tallied 10 for Ayden.

Robersonville advanced last night by defeating Snow Hill, 37-24, in a quarterfinals contest. Charlie Wilson got 12 points for Robersonville, while John Harper scored 11 for Snow Hill.

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County Basketball Tourney Play Starts Here Monday

Games Scheduled At Wright Gym For Every Night Of Next Week With Exception Of Thursday Evening

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The annual Pitt County Basketball tournament will open at the Wright gymnasium at East Carolina Teachers College on Monday evening at 8 o'clock with boys' and girls' teams in the high schools of the county participating. Play will be every night next week with the exception of Thursday night when no games are scheduled.

The opening rounds of the tourney will be held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, with the semifinals on Friday night and the finals on Saturday night.

In the boys' division, the Bethel Indians are top-seeded by reason of their perfect record in county play this season and they will be out to defend their championship which they gained last year by defeating the Farmville boys 25 to 23 in the finals. The Ayden boys are second seeded in this year's tournament with Winterville being third seeded.

In the girls' division Ayden is the top-seeded team, with Arthur second and Farmville third. The Farmville lassies will be out to defend their crown in this year's tourney, having defeated the Grimesland lassies last year in the finals 17 to 12 to cop the championship.

Sportsmanship, championship and all-tournament awards will be presented following the final games with Mr. D. H. Conley, Supt. of Pitt County schools making the awards. Six teams in each of the girls' and boys' division drew byes in the opening round of play. In the girls' division, Grifton, Bethel, Arthur, Farmville, Chitwood and Ayden drew byes. While in the boys' division Bethel, Chitwood, Farmville, Ayden, Winterville and Grimesland drew byes.

Officials for the tournament have been secured from ECTC and will be Molcher, Hayes, Clover and Polk.

Following is the official schedule of play for the opening rounds:

- Monday, Feb. 28
- 6:00—Winterville vs Stokes (girls)
 - 7:00—Grifton vs Arthur (boys)
 - 8:30—Grimesland vs Belvoir girls
 - 9:30—Belvoir vs Stokes (boys)
- Tuesday, March 1
- 6:00—Bethel vs Arthur (girls)
 - 7:00—Farmville vs Chitwood (boys)
 - 8:30—Chitwood vs Ayden (girls)
 - 9:30—Winterville vs Grimesland (boy)
- Wednesday, March 2
- 6:00—Grifton vs winner of Winterville-Stokes (girls)

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- 30—Farmville vs Ayden (Girls)
- 45—Ayden vs Winterville (Boys)

By BERT MOYE

Four more teams qualified for semifinals berths in the Pitt County basketball tournament being held at the Wright gymnasium at ECTC, as the third round of play ended last night. Both the boys' and girls' teams of Belvoir lost out last night, with the boys losing to Bethel, 50 to 15, and the girls' team losing to Farmville, 19 to 16. In the other two contests played Grifton girls defeated the Winterville girls, 21 to 14, and Ayden boys defeated the Grifton boys, 25 to 21.

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Coach Walter Latham's top-seeded Bethel quint and winner of last year's annual county tournament, had little difficulty with the Belvoir boys as they trounced them to the tune of 50 to 15.

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Bethel 47, Farmville 22 (Boys)
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Tonight's Games (Finals)

7:30—Arthur vs Ayden (Girls)
8:45—Bethel vs Ayden (Boys)

By BERT MOYE
The top-seeded Bethel quint and the second-seeded Ayden quint in the boys' division both advanced to the finals of the Pitt County tournament last night as the Bethel boys defeated the Farmville quint 47 to 22, and the Ayden team advanced with a win over Winterville 43 to 22. In the girls' division the fourth-seeded Arthur sextette posted an upset by defeating the top-seeded Grifton lassies, 42 to 34, and the Ayden sextette defeated the Farmville girls, winners of last year's county tournament, 27 to 21.

Arthur 42, Grifton 34 (Girls)
In a game marked by thrills after the high-powered Arthur girls padded a big upset in the opening game of the semifinals last night as they handed the top-seeded Grifton girls a 42 to 34 defeat.

During the first half of the game the score was tied on five different occasions—2-11, 7-11, 14-11, 16-11 and 20-11. The lead changed from one team to another with Grifton having the lead on five different occasions, however there was not one point difference during the first half which ended 22 to 21 in favor of the Arthur girls.

In the start of the third period a field goal by Edna Earle Braxton put the Grifton girls out front 23-22, but two field goals and two free throws by Virginia Crawford of the Arthur team put the Arthur girls out in front for the rest of the game, after which they were never headed.

Virginia Crawford led the attack of the Arthur sextette with a total of 38 points for the night. Virginia Modingo with 9 points was second high. Edna Earle Braxton and Nell Mumford got 14 points each to pace the losers.

Bethel 47, Farmville 22 (Boys)
Coach Walter Latham's Bethel Indians had little difficulty advancing to the finals in last night's game as they chalked up a 47 to 22 win over the fourth-seeded Farmville quint. Bethel went out in front in the early minutes of play and as the half ended were out front 8 to 3.

Holding the Farmville quint to three lone points during this first quarter. As the half ended Bethel had piled up a 23 to 15 lead, and at the end of the third quarter were out front 38 to 22.

Dill Smith and William Earle Hogue with 11 points each set the pace for the Bethel boys. Albritton and King, with 9 and 8 points respectively, led the losers' attack.

Ayden 27, Farmville 21 (Girls)
The Ayden girls downed the Farmville sextette, 27 to 21 in the third game of semifinals play, in a game which was marked by close play throughout. The Ayden girls went out in front in the early minutes of play and led all through the first half. At the end of the first

Belvoir 15, Grifton 21 (Girls)
In the first game of the opening round of play at the Wright gymnasium, the Grifton girls, a strong favorite and the top-seeded team in the county, were surprisedly staked to 15-16 by the Belvoir girls. During the first half the Grifton girls were out in front 11-10, but the Belvoir girls, winners of last year's county tournament, were able to pull away for a safe margin of victory in the fourth quarter.

PITT TOURNAMENT
Greenville, March 2.—Grifton and Farmville sextets advanced into the semifinals of the Pitt County basketball tournament by scoring victories here tonight. The top-seeded Bethel boys team also advanced into the semifinals. The games are to be played on Thursday night.

In today's betting, Grifton's girls defeated Winterville, 21-14, and Farmville's girls edged Belvoir, 19-16. The Bethel boys scored a one-sided 40-13 victory over Belvoir.

Semifinals will send Grifton girls against Arthur, Bethel boys against Farmville, Farmville's girls against Ayden, and Winterville versus Ayden. The lineup:

Grifton girls (21): Forwards—McLaughlin 3, Langston 2, Phillips 3, guards—Stancil, Jackson, Haynes, Barfield, Winterville (14): Forwards—Castro 2, Langston 2, Washington 4, Tyson 1; guards—Bright, Nobles, Spier, Weatherington.

Bethel boys (40): Forwards—J. Whitehurst 15, W. Keel, Worley 10, Barnhill 2, Manning 4; Henderson 3, centers—J. Whitehurst, Nelson 2, guards—Bulluck, House 2, Tetterton, Fred Keel 2, Belvoir (21): Forwards—Forsyth 1, Leggett 7, Spain 6, centers—Spier, Barnhill 1; guards—Cullipher, Clark, Tyson, Carter, Manning.

Farmville girls (19): Forwards—D. Hathaway 7, R. Hathaway 7, Morgan 2, C. White, guards—Trotter, Brock, Murphy, House, Belvoir (18): Forwards—Brown 1, C. Pollard 2, Dupree, Tyson 1, M. Pollard 1, J. Jones 2, guards—Nelson, Randolph, L. Jones, Marjorie Paulsen.

Ayden boys (28): Forwards—Teddy Bulluck 8, Harrington 4, Wilson, center—Jenkins 8, Grifton 2, guards—Jerry Jackson, Tom Bulluck 4, McCracken 1, Jackson 7, Grifton (31): Forwards—Mumford 4, Jackson 5, Rogers 2, cen-

Jamesville Cops District Finals

1 Parkville, Feb. 20.—A second-
2 charge by the Jamesville High
3 School basketball team proved
4 strong enough tonight to turn back
5 the Bethel cagers as Jamesville
6 scored a 32-25 triumph to cop the
7 Eastern district finals of Class B
8 competition.
9 "The Bethel five held a slim, one-
10 point, 14-13, lead at halftime but
11 was unable to maintain its advan-
12 tage in the last half. Led by Bill
13 Brewer, who bucketed 18 points,
14 Jamesville came back to win.
15 Will Keel and Bill Smith shared
16 the scoring for the losers, each hit-
17 ting the nets for six points.
18 Lineup: Jamesville (32)—Brewer,
19 or 14, Beard, Modlin 1, Weiss, Skya-
20 con, Gaines & Reason 1, Hardison
21 2, Perry, Waters 6.
22 Bethel (25)—Hemmingway 4, Keel
23 Smith 4, Barnhill, Whiteburr 3,
24 House 2, Keel 2, Tetterton, Daulton

25 am. Bethel coach, was confirmed by
26 the Pap Perry of Durham, secretary of the
27 High School Athletic Association, in a
28 telephone call to Latham at Bethel ad-
29 vising him that the game had been
30 forfeited to Bethel.
31 Forfeiture resulted from a question-
32 ing of the eligibility of Billy Brewer,
33 high-scorer for the Jamesville quintet,
34 when they defeated Bethel, 25-23 in
35 Farnville last Saturday night.
36 Four members of the Bethel basket-
37 ball squad undertook the investigation
38 themselves and went to Williamston,
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ASSIST FOR BETHEL

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Jamesville High School basketball team
has brightened the hopes of the Bethel
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ances were dashed in the district play-
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Sites Named For Tournaments

Class A and B Cagers Open Battles For State Test On Friday

Durham, March 1.—(AP)—A series
of tournaments to be held through-
out the State this week-end will
determine which Class A and B
teams will participate in the sec-
ond annual North Carolina High
School tournament scheduled for
duke's Indoor Stadium March
10-11-12.
More than 30 teams will take part
in these regional playoffs, and from
them will come eight survivors who
will clash for the Class A and B
titles here.
L. J. (Nap) Perry, executive secre-
tary of the North Carolina High
School Athletic Association, today
announced the following program
of regional tournaments.
In Class A competition, four tour-
naments will be held Friday at Sat-
urday at Wake Forest, Laurinburg,
Winston-Salem and Valdese. Re-
gion 2 tournaments will be held at
Wake Forest College, sending
Chapel Hill against Washington in
Friday night's opening round at
7:30 o'clock. Kinston and Roxboro
will follow at 8:45 p.m., with the
final game set for 8 o'clock, Satur-
day.

Day. In Region II, at Laurinburg, Dunn
will meet Hendersonville at 7:30 p.m.
Friday and Taber City will play
Laurinburg at 8:45. The winners
meet Saturday at 8 p.m.
The Region III tournament will
open Friday night at Winston-Salem
with Gray High of Winston-Salem
meeting Lexington at 7:30 o'clock,
and Hanes High of Winston-Salem
meeting Asheboro at 8:45. Final
game will be played Saturday at
8 p.m.
In region IV, at Valdese, Sylva
will meet Hendersonville at 7:30
p.m. Friday, and Hickory will op-
pose the winner of the Blue Ridge
tournament at 9 o'clock. Finals
will be staged Saturday at 8 o'clock.
Playoff games will determine the
four Class B teams to reach the
State finals. Bethel will play the
winner of the Under-Clayton game
on Monday, March 2, at 8 p.m. The
game will be played in the Atlantic
Christian College gymnasium at
Wilson. Camp Lejeune will meet
Angier at Magnolia on Friday night,
and Pilot Mountain will face Trin-
ity on Friday in High Point Col-
lege gymnasium. The fourth Class
B team will come from a tourna-
ment to be held in Asheville this
week-end.
The Class AA teams from the
Eastern Conference have already
been determined while in the
Conference clubs are still fighting
for places in the tournament.

able to do a little something
though I doubt if we have
much chance.

Bethel Dropped By Clayton Five

Wilson, March 3.—The Clayton
High School basketball team won
its way into the State Class B finals
last night by eliminating the Bethel
five, 24-23, here in ACC gym before
a capacity crowd.
Guard Charles Wall, who scored
only one point during the game for
Clayton, dropped in his free throw
for the game-winning point with
only 30 seconds remaining game to
break a 23-23 tie in favor of Clayton.
The Bethel quint had a 18-18
edge at halftime.
Bobby Poole led the Clayton scor-
ing with 14 points, and Bill Smith
led Bethel with eight points.
Lineup: Clayton (34)—forwards
Gully 5, Poole 15, centers, Under-
wood 4, guards, Bagley 2, Harbour
7, Wall 1.
Bethel (23)—forwards, Hemming-
way 2, House 1, centers, Smith 3,
guards, E-Keel 3, Whiteburr 6, W-
Keel 7, Tetterton 2.

Tuesday, March 1, 1943

Jamesville Reported Forfeiting District Victory Over Bethel High School Basketball

1 WINTERVILLE WINS
2 Greenville, March 1.—The Winter-
3 ville boys' team advanced to semifinals
4 in the final game of the second round
5 in the Pitt County tournament
6 last night by defeating the Grimesland
7 team, 21-18.
8 The two teams played an even battle
9 during first quarter with the front
10 ending in a 10-10 deadlock. However,
11 the Winterville boys went out in great
12 during the second quarter when Mr.
13 Claborn made good a free throw and
14 followed up with a field goal after the
15 score had been knotted at that and led
16 at the half, 21-18.
17 Winterville (21)—Forwards—Castelle
18 12, McClendon 15, Lutton, Melton 2,
19 centers—Noble 7, B. Hendock 1, guards
20 —Figg 2, Averette 1, Grimesland (21)
21 Forwards—Els II, Jackson 8, Edwards
22 1, Hook 1, center—Claborn 4, guard-
23 Tucker 1, Clark, Hester, Smith, Boyd

24 player for Jamesville. It also had him
25 on the all-tourney team for that year.
26 Thus putting him now in his 500th year
27 of high school basketball.
28 Brewer is said to have admitted his
29 ineligibility.
30 With Jamesville's forfeiture, Bethel
31 will play the winner of the Hubersville
32 game at Albion on Monday night at 8 o'clock.
33 The winner of that tilt will go on
34 to the tourney in Durham.

High School Semifinals

1 Greenville, March 4.—In the first
2 County basketball tournament, the
3 Grifton girls defeated the
4 Grifton sextet had been the top-
5 scored girls team.
6 In other semifinals games today,
7 Bethel boys whipped the Farnville
8 boys, 47-21, and the Ayden girls turned
9 back the Farnville girls, 17-11.
10 Lineup: Arthur (41)—Manning & B.
11 Manning 1, Crawford 26, A. Daniels
12 Jones, G. Dabira, E. Crawford, McLaw-
13 born, Lloyd, Lewis, Grifton (24)—Mc-
14 Phillips 1, Blanton, Jackson, Hayes,
15 Bartlett, Jones.
16 Grifton (47)—Wooler & Smith 11,
17 Hemmings 17, Neeson 11, Whitehurst 11,
18 W. Tye 3, House 11, E. Keel 2, Tetterton,
19 Farnville (21)—Cameron 1, King 2,
20 DeWitt 4, Whiteburn 6, Abnetton 3,
21 Morris 1.
22 Ayden (17)—Whitehurst 11, Wooten,
23 Turnage 11, J. McLawhorn, Alice Cox,
24 Jennie Cox, Little, Andrews, Farnville
25 (21)—D. Hathaway 7, R. Hathaway 4,
26 Morgan 3, Carbert 1, Turp, Brook,
27 Murphy, House, Satterwhite, Johnson

28 COLUMBUS EVENT
29 Whiteville, March 4.—The fourth

30 A reported forfeiture by the
31 Jamesville High School basketball team has
32 brightened the hopes of the
33 Bethel Indians, which to all
34 outward appearances were dashed
35 in the district play-off for the
36 Class B championship.
37 The forfeiture, disclosed by Ed-
38 gar Barnhill, resulted from a ques-
39 tioning of the eligibility of Billy
40 Brewer, high-scorer for the James-
41 ville quintet when they defeated
42 Bethel, 25-23, in Farnville Sat-
43 urday night.
44 Brewer is said to have admitted
45 his ineligibility.
46 A copy of the Williamston Enter-
47 prise, dated March 13, 1943, car-
48 ried an account of Martin County's
49 championship basketball game be-
50 tween Hubersville and Jamesville
51 and listing Billy Brewer as a first-
52 string player for Jamesville, thus
53 putting him now in his fifth year of
54 high school basketball.
55 With Jamesville's forfeiture, Bethel
56 will play the winner of the
57 Under-Clayton game at Atlantic
58 Christian College on Monday night
59 at 8 o'clock.
60 The winner of this tilt will go on
61 to the tourney in Durham.

PITT TOURNAMENT

1 Greenville, Feb. 21.—The annual Pitt
2 County basketball tournament will
3 open at the Wright gymnasium at East
4 Carolina Teachers College on Monday
5 night at 8 o'clock with boys' and girls'
6 teams in the high schools of the county
7 participating. Play will be every night
8 next week with the exception of Thurs-
9 day and Friday, when no games are sched-
10 uled.
11 The opening rounds of the tourney
12 will be held Monday, Tuesday and
13 Wednesday, with the semifinals Friday
14 night and the final Saturday night.
15 In the boys' division the Bethel-
16 Grifton and Hubersville teams are
17 perfect record in round play this sea-
18 son and they will be out to create
19 their championship, which they achieved
20 last year. The Ayden boys are second
21 before with Winterville second place.
22 In the girls' division, Ayden is the
23 top-seeded team, with Arthur second
24 and Farnville third.
25 Sportsmanship, championship and all-
26 tournament awards will be presented
27 following the final games Saturday
28 night at D. Conley, Superintendent,
29 Pitt County Schools making the
30 awards.
31 The teams in each of the girls and
32 boys divisions drew lots in the open-
33 ing round of play. In the girls' division,
34 Bethel, Grifton, Arthur, Farnville,
35 Claborn and Ayden drew lots. While
36 in the boys' division Bethel, Claborn,
37 Farnville, Arthur, Winterville and
38 Grimesland drew lots on Monday.
39 The following is the schedule of play
40 for the opening rounds:
41 Monday—Winterville vs. Arthur at 8
42 p. m. (girls), Grifton vs. Arthur at 11
43 p. m. (boys); Grimesland vs. Bethel
44 at 8:30 p. m. (girls), Bethel vs. Sikes
45 at 8:30 p. m. (boys).
46 Tuesday—Bethel vs. Arthur at 8 p. m.
47 (girls), Farnville vs. Claborn at 7 p.
48 m. (boys), Claborn vs. Ayden at 8:30 p.
49 m. (girls), Winterville vs. Grimesland at
50 8:30 p. m. (boys).
51 HIGH MITEE.
52 Jack Graham, now a member of
53 the Browns, who hit 48 home runs in
54 the Pacific Coast League last year,
55 holds a private pilot flying license.
56 Joe Louis has been the heavy-
57 weight champ since 1937.

Cage Tournament Starting Feb. 28

1 By BERT MOYE
2 The annual Pitt County basket-
3 ball tournament will open in the
4 Wright gymnasium at East Carolina
5 Teachers College on Monday, Febru-
6 ary 28, and will run through March
7 5, with both boys' and girls' teams
8 in the high schools participating.
9 Opening rounds in the tourna-
10 ment will be Feb. 28, March 1, 2
11 and 3 with the semi-finals being
12 played on March 4 and the finals
13 on Saturday night, March 5. A fea-
14 ture of this year's tournament is
15 that all games will be played at
16 night with no afternoon games as
17 heretofore.
18 There will be cups given to the
19 winners of both girls and boys
20 teams. There will also be awards
21 given to each player on winning
22 teams and the runner-up teams.
23 Good sportsmanship cups will be
24 awarded and awards will be given
25 to players selected for the all-tour-
26 nament team.
27 The pairings have not yet been
28 announced for the opening rounds
29 will be made public at an early date.

BASKETBALL

BOYS' BASKETBALL AT BETHEL HIGH SCHOOL
DURING 1948-49

With the best team ever produced at Bethel High School, we have won 35 out of 38 games played so far this year. We lost one game to Needham Broughton of Raleigh, who has had an undefeated season in Class AA competition; Kinston beat us on their home court and Washington won from us in Washington during the Christmas holidays. We won over Kinston and Washington in Bethel and beat Jamesville on their home court 1 point and won by two points in Bethel on a return engagement. These games plus the double victory over Morehead City and two games which we played Ayden at ECTC and won by 54-28 and 55-28 scores were the highlights of the year's play. As it now stands we should win the Pitt County Championship easily. Most of the games have been played with little or no doubt about the outcome. The second team played as much as the first team in practically all of the games.

The team this year was made up mainly from a group of boys who have been together for four years on the hardwood court. They entered High School four years ago and, needless to say, the most of them are now Seniors. They have proven themselves to be students of the game as well as good basketball players. In fact, they have won 112 out of the last 120 games played. Above all they have learned to play the game fairly as well as putting their best in it in order to win. After seeing them play twice Coach Porter of ECTC said: "They know what to do. I would like to have all of them come to ECTC."

The seniors that are leaving Bethel and completing four years of basketball are Forward W. Z. Worsley; Forward and Guard Bill Smith; Center and Guard William Earl House; Center Mack Whitehurst; Guard Earl Keel; Forward William Keel. The remainder of the team is composed of Juniors Frank "Boots" Hemingway, Forward; Hilton Tetterton, Guard; Edgar Barnhill, Forward and Guard; and W. R. Bullock, Guard; Sophomore John Nelson, Center; and Fred Keel, Forward; Freshman Bobby Manning who plays Guard and shows some promise of becoming a Star.

At the time of writing this article we hope to win the District Tournament and go to Durham to repeat our last year's performance in winning the State Class "B" Championship. But Durham is a long way off and who knows? We have some tough games ahead. But if Bill Smith can come through with his one-handed "fade-back" shot and fight for that ball all over the court and Bill has the scrap to do it; If Boots can make the ball stick in the basket on his cross court foul line drive as he did in last year's final when he shot 19 points; if Mack can cover the opposing Center as he has been doing nicely all year and getting those rebounds and then come through with a few baskets; If William Earl plays smart ball as he has been doing recently, guarding their best man, driving in for screens and lay-ups plus a few good set shots; If Earl "Red" Keel, rebounder, handles the ball as expertly, seldom losing it to opponents, makes few bad passes as in past and hits some of his long push set-shots; If we get good support from substitute William Keel and Hilton Tetterton; as the boys say "We'll be in there." We regret that W. Z. Worsley played some when he was in the eighth grade thus eliminating him from helping us in the State Playoffs. We will miss your accurate shooting W. Z.

As the coach of such a nice group of young men I want to say, "I have a very tender spot for every one of you." I have been with most of you for four years. I can close my eyes and see you making your favorite shots, guarding, dribbling, passing or going for the ball. It will be a long time before the fans forget you and I think I never will. I've asked you to play under all conditions. Most of the time you have come through with flying colors. You have practiced hard. You have learned the vital things in life: (1) "If you want something, you have to work for it," (2) "You will get back what you put into anything." Our motto is: "Play the game to the extent of your ability but play it fairly. Never argue with the officials when they are doing their best."

I say to the seniors; W. Z. Worsley, Bill Smith, William Earl House, Earl Keel, Mack Whitehurst, and William Keel may you play the game of life as you played the game of basketball. Keep your body and mind strong and clean.

To the remainder of the squad, the regulars and the Junior Varsity, I'll have to say the future does not look too good; but with the help of the present ninth grade which Mr. Dewar has capably and willingly coached this year. We will win some and lose some, but I'll guarantee you this; our opponents will not hold us too lightly, and if they do beat us, they will rejoice in having won over a Bethel Team.

WALTER LATHAM
Coach

4/7/49

1948 Basketball Champions to Hold Reunion 47148

A night to remember is coming up on Saturday, April 23, at the Bethel Rotary Club building. Any reunion representing 40 years is a special event. However, this reunion is "super special" due to the fact that it is the reunion of the 1948 Basketball Champions of the N.C. High School Athletic Association in Class B. It is the first and only time Bethel has won a state championship.

In considering what made this team so exceptional, it is well to consider some of its traits of character and behavior.

First of all. This team was in the position of David, the Biblical shepherd had faced the powerful giant Goliath. Doubtless both David and this team shared the same philosophy of President Franklin Roosevelt during the great depression when he told our nation that "all we had to fear was fear itself". Apparently the 1948 Champions knew no fear. Coming from a school student body of approximately 125 pupils, they confronted such teams as Kinston, Needham Broughton in Raleigh, Elizabeth City, Morehead City, Roanoke Rapids, Edenton, Greenville and the American Redheads, a professional girl's team. Always they proved themselves worthy.

The lack of superstition was another outstanding trait. Had they considered the number 13 an unlucky omen they would have been in deep trouble. Including the two managers, the coach and the team members, there were 13 in their unit. Also, the championship game at

Chapel Hill was played on the night of March 13. Maybe they should be known as the Lucky 13.

Perseverance or the "never say die" attitude was a key component. They played six games on six straight nights. Three games were played on March 8, 9, 10 in an Invitational Tournament and 3 games in Chapel Hill on March 11, 12, 13. Ever encouraged by the lively cheerleaders, they were determined to fight to their last breath and in Chapel Hill they gave their all.

The 1948 Champions began their training as Junior Varsity players in the ninth grade under the able guidance of the late Sam D. Dewar. In the 10th grade Mr. Walter Latham became their coach. Mr. Latham's record as a winning coach is a legend in this area.

During the year of the state championship the teams' record was excellent. It won 38 games, losing only 1. This loss was to Morehead City. Three tournaments were won; namely, The Pitt County Tournament, and the Bethel Invitational and the State B. Tournaments.

During these 39 games Bethel scored 1657 points to 1047 for the opponents. This was an average of 42.5 to 26.8. This record was probably unequalled by any class B team in the state.

The N.C. High School Athletic Association Tournament was held in Woolen Gymnasium at Chapel Hill. Eight teams participated in the Class B Division.

Bethel won the first game

easily by defeating Cullowhee 45-27. In the final game, Bethel led most of the game but with only 3 minutes left, the opponent Stanley, with a determined rally, tied the score. However, Bethel went on to win the score 43-39. Frank Hemingway was the top scorer in this game with 19 points. Bethel received the Class B Trophy and 12 gold basketballs with State Champions inscribed on them.

What support did the Bethel Community give this team? Approximately 100%. On the night of the final game in Chapel Hill there was a general exodus of fans from Bethel bound for the great event. Many of those, unable to attend, gathered at an open telephone line, which was connected with Woolen Gymnasium in Chapel Hill. Practically a play by play relay was sent back to the anxious listeners in Bethel. Anxiety and gloom settled in when the tied score was in force. Soon, at the end of the game, wholesale elation abounded. Rapid "grapevine" communication spread the glad news around the town.

Frequently it has been said that due to the absentee householders attending the game and the large attendance at the telephone relay in Bethel that thieves could have struck a "bonanza" in the town that night. Fortunately this did not happen and thus it became "a time to remember."

Above all, this special team has honored its school and community further by becoming

