

## Last Quarter Rally Nips Eagles 57-53

A tremendous last half rally that saw them come from behind an 11-point deficit, paved the way for the Smyrna Blue Devils' 15th win of the year Friday night as they downed the stubborn Morehead City Eagles 57-53 after the Eagles had led virtually throughout the contest.

The Blue Devils were cold from the floor in the first half while the Eagles were hitting the basket with relative consistency. As a result Morehead City went ahead at 6-5 and then increased this lead to eight points at 17-9 by the end of the first quarter.

The pattern of the game didn't change much in the second quarter as the Eagles managed to maintain their lead over Smyrna, thanks to some good shooting on the part of John Phillips and Harold Whealton. As the buzzer sounded at half-time the Eagles were packing a seven-point lead of 26-19.

The Blue Devils warmed up somewhat in the third quarter to outscore the Eagles for the first time. They managed 16 points while holding Morehead City to 15. This narrowed the Eagle advantage to 41-35 at the end of the period.

It was in the third quarter that a mild scorekeeping dispute arose in the game. Late in the quarter a Smyrna field goal tied the score at 37-37, at least so everyone thought, as this was the score posted on the scoreboard. The Morehead City scorekeeper (who is considered to be the official scorekeeper, because the game was played on the Eagle court) said that the score should be 41-35 in favor of Morehead City. Since this was the score showing in the "official" scorebook the referees had no alternative but to order the scoreboard changed to coincide. Two Smyrna scorers had the score at 37-37 in their books.

The Blue Devils continued to hack away at the Eagle lead in the fourth quarter and went ahead of Morehead City "officially" at 45-44. The Eagles managed to tie the score twice at 48-48 and 52-52 but fouls hurt them in the final minutes of play as the Blue Devils sank four straight free throws for the final victory margin.

The shifty floor general of the Blue Devils, Curt Nelson, grabbed scoring honors for the game by dropping in 16 points. He was followed by team mates Horace Lawrence and Carroll Hill who each had 14.

John Phillips and Harold Whealton led the Morehead City attack with their 14 points apiece while George Styron collected 11. Phillips was forced to leave the game late in the fourth quarter when he drew his fifth personal foul.

In the preliminary game the Smyrna girls had to stave off a third quarter rally by the Eaglettes which they did and chalked up a 27-57 win. At one point in the third quarter the Eaglettes pulled to within seven points of the Smyrna lead at 51-44 but the scoring combination of Brenda Golden and Carolyn Phelps proved to be more than they could cope with.

Though the score would hardly seem to indicate it, the Morehead City guards turned in an outstanding performance in the back court as they consistently out-rebounded the taller Smyrna girls. Virginia Thompson, Dana Dickinson, Sally Simpson, Sara Davis and Sue Smith all saw action at the guard positions for the Eaglettes.

In the front court coach Helen Jernigan found her most unified scoring combination of the year as she floored a trio of forwards who all scored in double figures. Naney Duke, who led the team in scoring for the last two games, was high for the losers with 24 points. She was followed by Alta Dickinson with 17 and Johnice Doshier who tallied 16.

Brenda Golden paced all scorers for the game by tossing in 39 points. Her team mates Carolyn Phelps finished with 34 and Rose Arthur contributed four. Barbara Davis also saw forward action but failed to score.

In the back court for the Blue

### Basketball Games

#### TONIGHT

Morehead City at Wallace  
Beaufort at Smyrna

#### TOMORROW

Newport at Atlantic

#### TUESDAY

Beaufort at Morehead City  
Smyrna at Pamlico  
White Oak at Newport

## Fry Raiders Up League Lead

The league leading Fry Raiders put even more space between themselves and the rest of the New Bern City League basketball teams Monday night when they rolled to an easy 101-55 win over the Pepsi-Cola entry.

With high-scoring Jim Fodrie and Gehrman Holland each turning in 30-point plus performances and Walker Gillikin adding 27, the Raiders had little trouble in dealing Pepsi-Cola their sixth league loss of the year. Fodrie grabbed scoring honors for the game with his total of 35 points while Holland, the former UNC player, finished the night with 33. Randy McCoy and Willie Davis each tallied 10 points for the losers.

Other Raider scorers were Lewis Thomas with four points and Craig Horne with two.

The win gave the Raiders a three-game lead in the league standings. They have won eight loop contests while dropping only one. Their single loss was to Maola, the team which holds down the second slot in the standings.

For the season the Raiders have now won 19 and lost two. The game marked the first time this season that the Raiders have cracked the century figure.

League standings, as of Tuesday morning were as follows:

	W.	L.	Pct.
Fry Raiders	8	1	.888
Maola	5	4	.555
Pepsi-Cola	3	6	.333
Sealtast	2	7	.222

Devils were Sally Hooper, Claudia Brown, Patsy Chadwick, Linda Willis, Becky Brown, Gaye Styron and Jean Willis.

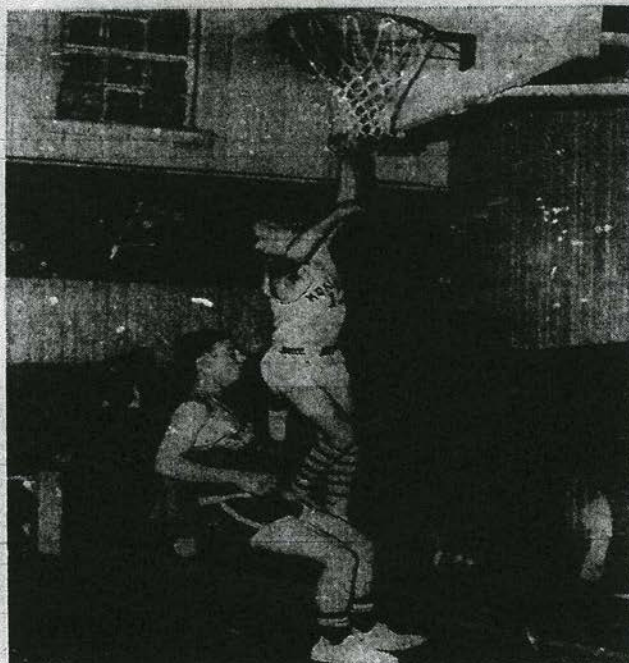
BOX SCORE				
Smyrna	FG	Ft.	PF	PTS
Nelson	4	8	3	16
Lawrence	5	4	4	14
Hill	3	8	0	14
Piner	3	6	3	12
Lewis	0	1	3	1
Mears	0	0	1	0
Jones	0	0	0	0
Totals	15	27	14	57

Morehead	FG	FT	PF	PTS
Phillips	5	4	5	14
Whealton	6	2	4	14
Styron	4	3	4	11
Sledge	2	4	4	8
Thompson	2	2	3	6
Henderson	0	0	2	0
Mason	0	0	2	0
Totals	19	9	24	53

#### False Alarm

Toledo, Ohio (AP)—Fourth grade teacher Mary Wright got sly smirks from her pupils after mysterious fumes caused the evacuation of 1,500 children. The fumes came from an overheated pan in which she was boiling water to clean art equipment.

### Thompson Drives for Two



Eagle guard Tom Thompson, No. 12, drives in for a second quarter layup against the Smyrna Blue Devils Tuesday night. The Blue Devil player in the picture is Curt Nelson. Smyrna won the game 57-53 on a last half comeback.

## Pirate Girls Win; Varsity Defeated

After being down only three points at halftime Tuesday night the Atlantic Pirates wilted under the pressure of a last half full-court press by the Pamlico Hurricanes as Pamlico registered a 74-46 win to hand the Pirates their 14th straight loss of the year.

The game, played at Pamlico, saw the Pirates battle the Hurricanes on even terms for the majority of the first half, as the end of the first quarter found them trailing by three at 11-8 and halftime saw a score of 22-19 in favor of the Hurricanes.

In the last half the Pirates, who had been pressed throughout the first sixteen minutes, simply wilted and ran out of gas as the Hurricanes stuck with their press. The third quarter saw the Pirates scoring only 12 points while the Hurricanes were getting 27 and in the final period Pamlico outscored Atlantic 25-15.

Ray Tallent, who hit 10 for, 12 from the floor, paced the scoring for the losers with 20 points. He was followed by Bobby Nelson who collected 11 and Roger Harris, who was credited with eight. The Hurricanes had several players hitting in double figures with Hill leading the way with his total of 19 points. Truitt had 14 for Pamlico and Watson tallied 13.

In the preliminary game the Atlantic girls did what no other team has been able to do in five years — they beat the Pamlico girls 41-40 on the Hurricane court.

Atlantic coach Roy Cockerham called the game, "the best and most satisfying effort of the year," by his team and was in high praise of all six of his starters, particularly guards Jency Mason and

Brenda Salter. Mason was credited with taking 18 rebounds off the boards and Salter was a defensive standout.

Atlantic scored first in the game and Pamlico tied it up on a basket of their own. This was as close as the Hurricanes could come, though, as Atlantic built up a first quarter lead that carried them to the win.

With only seven seconds left to play, a charging foul was called on Atlantic and Pamlico came to the free throw line trailing by two points at 41-39. They made the free throw to bring the score to 41-40 but Atlantic stole the ball before the Hurricanes could get a final shot off.

Bonnie Brickhouse was the game's leading scorer with 23 points. She was given ample support by Linda Taylor who tallied 16 markers and Carolyn Willis who was credited with two points.

Brenda Salter, Jency Mason and Jean Bell played the entire game for Atlantic in the back court.