

Eagles Trim Rockets 61-41; Jones Central Sextet Wins

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Morehead City's Eagles continued on the undefeated path as they downed Jones Central Rockets at the loser's court Tuesday night, 61-41. In the preliminary contest the Jones Central sextet defeated the Eaglettes 64-45.

The Eagles moved out to a 19-4 lead at the end of the initial period and were never headed. At halftime the advantage was 32-18 and at the end of three quarters Coach Gannon Taibert's boys held a 46-27 lead.

Cheek Tallies

Wayne Cheek was the high scorer once again for the Eagles with 26 markers. Runnerup honors for the victors went to Kent Brown, who has been playing some mighty fine basketball for the Morehead City team this season.

Jerry Kerns and Bobby Barbee tied for high score honors for the Rockets with 10 points each.

In the preliminary contest the Jones Central sextet moved out to a 17-14 lead at the end of the first quarter, and extended their advantage to 37-20 at halftime. At the end of three quarters they continued to roll along with a 49-29 lead.

D. Ferrell was high scorer for Jones Central with 21 points. Others to hit in double figures for the Rockettes were J. Eubanks 16, and L. Burkett 10.

Brock High Scorer

Daisy Brock was high scorer for the losing Eaglettes with 23 markers as teammate Varina O'Neal made 10 counters.

The lineups: Morehead City boys (61)—Cheek 26, R. Willis 9, McIntosh 6, Horne 5, Brown 15, Phillips and Eure.

Jones Central boys (41)—Bedard 8, Stillely 4, West 7, Barbee 10, Spann 2, Kerns 10, Mallard and Harrison.

The score by quarters:	Total
Morehead City	19 13 14 15—61
Jones Central	4 14 9 14—41

The lineups: Morehead City girls (45)—O'Neal 10, Brock 23, Smithwick 9, A. Willis 2, Jones 1, Brathwaite, Willis, Smith, Roberts, Morris, Carlton and Robinson.

Jones Central girls (64)—Ferrell 21, Burkett 10, Eubanks 16, Simmons 9, Collins 4, Noble 4, Turner, Bender, King, Alsop, Spivey, Neils, Smith, M. Foy, Bender, Kennedy, Morgan, Foy and Simmons.

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Surveying the Scene

with Hal Shapiro

● In the absence of Coach Bob Whitley, who was enroute back to Atlantic from a holiday visit to Texas, Principal Jack Johnson of Atlantic School acted as coach for the Pirates twin bill against Beaufort Tuesday night.

Mr. Johnson had his boys and girls hustling but it was to no avail as the superior forces of Beaufort came through with a double victory.

Mr. Johnson did come up with a fine idea at the conclusion of the basketball contests. It is his thought that Carteret County's schools should have a track meet every spring.

We are inclined to agree that the idea of a County Track Meet would be a wonderful one, and would certainly give many boys and girls, who don't play other sports, an opportunity of their engaging in the events.

Some of the events could include the dashes, the hurdles, a mile run, a two-mile run, broad jump, and the high jump.

We are certain that there are many youngsters who would literally jump at the opportunity of contesting in track events.

The track sport has more or less died out among the high schools and has been causing the United States a great deal of trouble when the Olympic Games are discussed.

Over in Russia part of the physical education program in the schools is the track program, and in recent years the track stars of Russia and her satellites have been beating the track men and women of other countries, such as our own.

The sports program is an important one when we consider the propaganda that Russia exacts from its winning of a race against us, or any other free country.

We'd love to see the track program instituted on a county basis with the victors perhaps being invited to contest in district and state competition.

● J. W. Fulcher, a 15-year-old, who measures less than 5 feet tall, was the big attraction for the Atlantic Pirates in their contest against the Seadogs.

J. W. couldn't defend against the taller opposing players but he certainly did rattle them every time he stamped on the floor. There were at least four occasions when Beaufort players broke away for solo shots and missed when J. W. stamped and hollered.

More power to Atlantic's "Little Bit."

● In county girls competition last year Morehead City's Carolyn Guthrie was one of the steller standouts with her set-shooting ability.

Atlantic has a gal who could, and probably will, surpass Miss Guthrie's abilities of shooting a basketball through the hoop.

The young lady's name is Martha Leary and against Beaufort she made about six of eight sets, a terrific average.

It's a shame that her teammates weren't able to get the ball to her more often for she could have easily made 20 points with a little help.

● Beaufort's girls, seeking the county title, have come up with a tremendous scoring combination of putting two tall gals on the court at the same time.

The two girls, Peggy Williams, and Vonda Goodwin, did very well in getting the rebounds and putting the ball through the hoop in the game against Atlantic.

Perhaps in future games Coach Hugh Gordon will make more use of these girls.

Another of Beaufort's tall gals, Rae Frances Hassell, has been doing a fine job on defense all season long.

This could very well be the year for the Beaufort sextet.