

Atlantic Varsity Loses, Smyrna Girls Win in First Tourney Games

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First round play in the Carteret-Craven conference got under way Wednesday night at Vanceboro, where the Atlantic Pirates were the guest of the home-standing Red Raiders of Vanceboro.

The Raiders earned the right to go into the semi-finals tonight as they dropped the Pirates 42-36.

Everything was deadlocked at the half 18-18, after the Raiders had taken a three-point 11-8 first-quarter lead.

The third period ended with the game still knotted at 28 apiece, but the Vanceboro eagers were determined to play again as they took a six-point lead in the final minutes of the fourth quarter and held

on to it, despite a pressing Pirate five.

In the fourth period the Raiders were strong in the rebound department, and field goals from outside the charity circle loosened the tight Pirate defense.

The Raiders placed three men in the double figure bracket, with Jimmy Cooke leading, scoring with 12. High scorer for the losing Pirates was Bud Salter with 13.

Vanceboro will take on second-seeded Smyrna tonight. The conference-leading Newport quintet played Jasper last night.

In the girls game, the Smyrna Blue Devilettes almost scored a shutout over the hapless Raiderettes of Vanceboro.

The Smyrna girls used a tight zone defense and a lot of ball hawking as they rolled over their host 27-8.

The visiting Devilettes wasted no time in putting themselves out in front. They took an early first quarter lead of 8-0. The Raiderettes didn't find the basket until the final minutes of the second quarter when they scored two points from the foul line.

Smyrna continued their tight defense in the third quarter as they allowed the Vanceboro girls only two points.

Again the girls of Vanceboro could not find the range until the waning minutes of the quarter.

The entire fourth quarter was played on the Smyrna's offensive end of the court as the Devilette guards kept the Raiderette forwards shooting from outside.

With a minute on the clock and Smyrna's second unit in the game, the Raiderettes pushed through a quick four points to score as many in one minute as they did in the previous three quarters.

Alice Chadwick, outscored the entire Vanceboro team. She hit 16 for the night. Teammate Janet Lewis marked with six for the evening.

The winner of the Jasper-Dover girls game will play in the finals against last night's winner of the Newport-Smyrna contest.

Varsity Scoring

Vanceboro	FG	FT	TP
Cooke	5	2	12
Jordan	3	0	6
Miller	4	2	10
Quinn	4	2	10
Whitford	2	0	4
Totals	18	6	42
Atlantic	FG	FT	TP
Salter	6	1	13
Fulcher	4	3	11
Styron	0	2	2
Brickhouse	1	0	2
West	4	0	8
Totals	15	6	36