DOUGLAS
HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS 1953 – 1966

THE ED BARKSDALE YEARS



DOUGLAS HEAD COACH—Ed Barksdale
February 25, 1927 – March 21, 1974

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Obituaries

Edwin K. Barksdale

Edwin K. Barksdale died suddenly at his home in Landover, Md.

He worked in the Winchester City School System at Douglas High School from 1950 to 1966.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

The body is at the John T. Rhine Funeral Home in Washington, D.C.

3-25-74

Barksdale Service

Funeral services for Edwin Kenneth Barksdale of Bowie, Md. will be conducted from the Shiloh Baptist Church, 9th Street N.W. Washington, D.C., tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Burial will be in the Harmony Memorial Park, Landover, Md.

The family will receive friends at the John T. Rhines Funeral Home, 3015 12th St., N.E. Washington, D.C. this evening from 7 to 10 o'clock.

COACH EDWIN K. BARKSDALE
HEAD FOOTBALL-BASKETBALL COACH
DOUGLAS HIGH SCHOOL
1953-1966 (School's Last Year)

This book is a tribute in honor and memory of Coach Edwin K. Barksdale, "The Barksdale Years".

Coach Barksdale became head coach of the Douglas Bulldogs in 1953 and continued until the school closed in 1966. He was truly a "player's coach. See letters from students, athletes and article from Winchester Star dated October 2, 1986 in tribute to him.

Coach Barksdale cared about people and he touched the lives of many, whether black or white, including me. Coach Barksdale came into my life after I quit the 1959 Handley basketball team. I was asked to play for the Buckley-Lages team in the City League, where I became a teammate of Coach Barksdale. Coach Barksdale spent time with me and helped me become a better player and have a better understanding of the game.

Coach Barksdales' sharing of time and knowledge taught me to do the same in my life. I have always tried to follow his example.

In our walk, we never know when we are influencing the lives of people we pass by. Therefore, I thank God for your positive influence in my life and say THANK YOU COACH!

Jimmy Dix

Douglas High School Athletics

This book is about varsity athletics at the ole Douglas High School. Douglas was closed in the spring of 1966 when it integrated with Handley in the fall. All documents in this book were obtained through the Handley Library Archives from the sports articles appearing in the Winchester Evening Star Newspapers dated from 1953 through 1966. There may be a few articles that I have overlooked, but I feel this book is probably the only one in existence concerning the Douglas sports program. I have tried to make the book as accurate as possible.

I know Douglas had an athletic program prior to 1953, but I could not find anything from that earlier period. The coaches before 1953 were Norris O. Hite and Billy Nash.

The period between 1953 and 1966 was under the direction of Mr. Edward K. Barksdale. Coach Barksdale went the extra mile to get his teams and players recognition they had never received before! His Douglas teams' sometimes played schools with six times more student population than Douglas (approx. 200)

He had two undefeated football teams in 1953 and 1959. His 1961 team defeated mighty Cardoza, (with its 60 man quad), from Washington, DC, 8 to 0. The Bulldogs only defeat that year was to Burley of Charlottesville, VA, 13 to 0. Burley had a student body of 1300 students. Coach Barksdale's teams compiled a record of 48 wins, 19 losses, and 3 ties for a percentage of 70.7%. These numbers can be verified.

Coach Barksdale's boy's basketball teams also were very successful. They compiled a record of 136 wins against 67 defeats for a winning percentage of 67.0%. This record can also be verified. (Some game results were never reported.)

Douglas basketball teams of 1958 and 1962 lost the final game in the State Championship. The 1962 game went into double overtime and ended with Douglas losing to Booker T 46 to 45. There was only one State Champion during this period

Coach Barksdale also coached girls basketball teams that averaged three games a season and complied a 14 – 7 record.

1953
Douglas Football
5 – 0

		D	O
Sept.	Luray	47	0
Oct. 12	Culpeper	6	0
15	Culpeper	45	0
26	Page-Jackson	19	6
Nov. 6	Page-Jackson	27	0

Undefeated, untied season.

Points: Douglas - 143
Opponents - 6

The Douglas Bulldogs were first in the Tri State League.

1953 - 54
Basketball
8 - 5

There were no articles in The Winchester Evening Star.

DOUGLAS RECORDS
THE BARKSDALE YEARS
Verified 1953 -1966

FOOTBALL

Year	Won	Lost	Tied
1953	5	0	
1954	7	1	
1955	4	3	
1956	2	4	
1957	2	4	1
1958	2	1	2
1959	4	0	
1960	7	1	
1961	7	1	
1962	6	2	
1963	2	2	
1964	No Team		
1965	No Team		
TOTALS	48	19	3 70.7%

BASKETBALL

Year	Won	Lost
1953-54	8	5
1954-55	14	8
1955-56	9	8
1956-57	14	7
1957-58	14	3
1958-59	14	3
1959-60	9	2
1960-61	8	6
1961-62	11	5
1962-63	13	2
1963-64	11	4
1964-65	8	7
1965-66	3	7
TOTALS	136	67 67.0%

(Notation: Above records only ones available from Winchester Evening Star)

TRI-STATE CHAMPIONS
1953-1954

DISTRICT CHAMPIONS
1959-1960-1961-1962

UNDEFEATED TEAMS
1953 & 1959

DISTRICT CHAMPIONS - 10
1955-1959 & 1961-1965
Lost in 1960 (Due to ineligible ruling)

REGION WINNERS - 4
1957-1958-1959-1962

STATE RUNNER-UPS -2
1958 & 1962 (Lost in Double Overtime to Booker T Washington of Staunton 46-45)

(Coach Barksdale also coached the girls teams, which average 3 games, a year to 14 – 7 record.)

Douglas Bulldogs Take 2nd Straight Gridiron Victory

10-12-53

Michael Ford and Hubert Stephenson have been elected co-captains of the 1953 Douglas High School football team. Ford is a tackle and Stephenson is the quarterback.

In two games this season, the Bulldogs are undefeated and unscored on. Saturday they defeated Culpeper 6-0 as a blocked punt by Floyd Walker set up the lone touchdown.

Beverley Gaskins took a short pass from Stephenson for the TD. The defensive work of Guy Stephenson, David Burks and the co-captains successfully stopped all Culpeper drives.

On Thursday, October 15, the Bulldogs play Culpeper a return game at Douglas.

The first win for Douglas was a 47-0 pasting of Luray.

Douglas Gridders Rout Culpeper, 45-0

10-15-53

Douglas High School continued along its unbeaten, untied and unscored upon way yesterday afternoon with a 45-0 defeat of Culpeper here.

Touchdowns were made by David Clinton, James Prather, Hubert Stephenson, Floyd Burks (2), David Burks and Perry Dyer, with Clinton's going for the longest distance—a 60-yard/ runback of an intercepted pass.

The defensive line was exceptional--holding Culpeper to a lone first down. Those doing some of the best defensive work were Michael Ford, Walter Payton, Guy Stephenson, Floyd Walker, Beverley Gaskins and Robert Burks.

The Bulldogs will play their next two games away and will return to their home field for homecoming game, November 5, against Charles Town.

Still Undefeated 10/24/53

Douglas High Gridders Beat Charles Town

The Douglas High School Bulldogs continued their unbeaten-untied streak Friday with a 19-6 win over Charles Town.

The Bulldogs scored first in the opening half with a sustained drive that carried 65 yards and ended with a plunge from the three yard line by David Clinton. Dyer added the [illegible] placement.

Charles Town scored its only TD on an intercepted pass in the second quarter and failed to convert.

Then in the closing moments of the first half, Gyer took a pass from Hubert Stephenson to score the second Bulldog touchdown. The final score for Douglas came in the fourth quarter on an interception by Stephenson.

The game was a homecoming affair for Charles Town, but all it accomplished was making the first score this year against the Douglas eleven.

Patricia Findley 'Miss Homecoming" At Douglas School

11-4-53

Patricia Findley, eighth grade student at the Douglas School, has been chosen Miss Homecoming for the annual Douglas Homecoming Game to be played against Charles Town on Thursday at 2 p. m. at the school. Coach Ed Barksdale said today that he and all members of the football team would welcome all former players and alumni.

Girls chosen to serve in the court of the homecoming queen are named on the amount of money they have raised by selling tickets to dinners and socials and collecting contributions. Miss Homecoming raised $255.25. Others are Jean Allen, 12th grade, $227.52; Aurdey Currey, 11th grade, $124.25; Elizabeth Jackson, 10th grade, $119.29; Sylvia Stephens, 9th grade, $98.56 and Brenda Bunday, 7th grade, $21. Total funds are $845.87 and will be used for transportation and uniforms for the football and basketball teams.

The Bulldogs, who are unbeaten and untied thus far this year, are having one of their best seasons. They have been practicing hard in preparation for Thursday's tough game and the coach report injuries to regular players healed and that the team top physical condition.

The Douglas team has a total of 116 points this the opponents' six. The Town record thus far is thr and one loss. Outstandin formances have been tur this year for Douglas by t phenson trio, Ford, Dyer, Clinton, Prather, Walker, and the Burks trio.

Bulldogs Win 27-0 Over Page Jackson; Remain Undefeated

11-6-53

Breaking out with some second half razzle dazzle, the Douglas High School Bulldogs continued along their unbeaten-untied ways yesterday afternoon with a 27-0 win over Page-Jackson of Charles Town, W. Va.

The 27 points scored by the Bulldogs ran their season total to 143 against a mere six for the combined opposition — a record far surpassing any other in this area.

Yesterday's game at Douglas was Homecoming, and it was attended by a crowd of about 300 — the best of the season, although it was a cold, windy afternoon.

For the first quarter, Page-Jackson held the favored Bulldogs scoreless, but a 30 yard pass play from H. Stephenson to Clinton was good for a touchdown in the second quarter, and that's where it stayed at 6-0 (the run for extra point was fumbled) the second half.

In the third quarter, Gaskins scored on an optional pass play from the 15 yard line, and Dyer added the extra point to send the Bulldogs out in front 13-0.

The first fourth period touchdown came on a 30 yard pass play from Co-Captain Hubert Stephenson to D. Burks with Dyer adding the extra point, and the final TD was a delayed flat pass from Stephenson to Dyer from the five yard line, and again Dyer added the extra point to make it 27-0.

In addition to those in on the scoring plays, Payton, Ford, Walker and the other Stephensons all played well for the undefeated Bulldogs.

During the halftime intermission, Patricia Finley was honored as Miss Homecoming of 1953.



Description
Douglas School football team, "Bulldogs", 1953. Identified as (left to right, front row) Robert Gaither, Beverly Gaskins, David Burks, John Carter, Hubert Stephenson (co-captain), Michael Ford (co-captain), James Stephenson, Perry Dyer, Walter Peyton; (2d row) Kenneth Cary (manager), Lawrence Curry, Floyd Walker, Morris Carter, James Carter, Floyd Burks, James Prather, Edwin K. Barksdale (coach), Dabney Stephenson, Charles Grimes, David Clinton, James Nelson, Garland Williams, Alexander Thomas. See also 1493-127 thl.

Undefeated, Untied Douglas Grid Team Loses One Man

12-2-53

Coach Edwin K. Barksdale of the Douglas High School Bulldogs has an enviable position among the members of his profession. First: his team went through a six game season undefeated and untied and only allowed six points, and, second; he will have the entire squad back for next season with the exception of an end.

At that, the end, Perry Dyer who will be over-age for league competition, will be eligible to play in non-league games as he will still be a student at Douglas. So there it is, a coach with a dream team—not a graduate on the list.

143 Points for Douglas

The Bulldogs ran up a total of 143 points, being held to a low score in only one game (Culpeper, there) 6—0; but they had four touchdowns called back and twice play ended with the ball in their possession on the hosts' goal line. As Coach Barksdale said, "We took the 6—0 win and went home." Incidentally, when the Bulldogs played the second game of the series, at Winchester, they defeated Culpeper 45—0.

The lone score that was marked up against the Bulldogs was on an intercepted pass at Charles Town, the player traveling 50 yards on the play. The Bulldogs won that one 19—6 and then took a return match from the same team by 27—0 score at Winchester.

Needless to say, the Bulldogs took first place honors in the Tri-State League, and next year they have hopes of increasing their schedule to include two or three more teams of first rate caliber.

In going undefeated and untied, the Bulldogs spread their scoring among 11 men—showing their well rounded attack. High man was Beverly Gaskins with five touchdowns and an extra point for 31 points. The rest in order were: Perry Dyer, 21; David Clinton, 20; Hubert Stephenson, 13; Floyd Walker, 12; Floyd Burks, 13; David Burkes, 12; John Carter, 8; James Prather, 6; Garland Williams, 6; and James Carter, 1.

Extra Point Weakness

If a team with a record as good as Douglas can have a weakness, it seems to have been in the extra point department this past season. The Bulldogs were able to make only half of theirs and only two of those were from placement—both by Dyer. The rest were on runs and passes.

Statistician John Washington figured out the following information on the Bulldogs' performance; with Douglas listed first: first downs, 51 to 16; passes attemped, 43 to 43; passes completed, 26 to 15; punts, 13 to 21; fumbles lost, 11 to 12; kick-offs, 27 to 6; passes intercepted, 7 to 1; penalties, 22 to 19; yards penalized, 225 to 150.

In addition to the players listed as scorers, the rest of the first and second team members are: Walter Payton, James Stephenson, Dabney Stephenson, Floyd Walker, Michael Ford, Robert Gaither, Morris Carter, Charles Grimes, Lawrence Curry, James Nelson and Alexander Thomas. Kenneth Curry is the manager.

Twin Basketball Bill at Douglas Tomorrow Night

3-10-54

The Douglas Bulldogs will wind up their basketball season tomorrow night at the Douglas Gym with a game against the Shenandoah All-Stars, a collection of high school, college and independent players

In an opening game, the undefeated girls of Douglas will play the Harpers Ferry Girls at 8 p.m. The record of the Bulldogs is 8-5. Tomorrow will be the last night of the girls' season as well, although they have played only two games.

Douglas Bulldogs To Play Warrenton Here on Thursday

3-2-54

The Douglas High School Basketball teams, varsity and junior varsity, will play Warrenton High School in a twin bill Thursday with the J.V.'s opening at 8 p.m. on the Winchester court.

Warrenton's varsity, which averages six feet, two inches, defeated the locals by nine points in their last meeting for the fourth loss of season racked up against Douglas. The Bulldogs have seven wins to their credit.

In that game at Warrenton, William Smith, six foot, six inch center, tallied 33 points and is going to be the man to watch Thursday.

1954-1955

1954 Football

Douglas opened the 1954 season by losing to Cardoza 6 to 0. The Bulldogs won their remaining seven games and finished 7-1. They were Tri-State Champs and out scored their opponents 207 to 12.

1954-1955 Basketball

The basketball team recorded a 14-8 season while winning the District 3 championship. The Bulldogs lost in the first round of the State to Pocahontas of Powatan. John "Randy" Carter sets single game scoring record with 46 points against Ramer of Martinsburg.

Team members: John Carter, James Prather, Robert Burks, Hubert Stephenson, Beverly Gaskins, Michael Ford, Floyd Burks, Arthur Lewis, Jr. and Walter Payton.

Leading scorer: John Carter 18 games 317 points 17.61% avg.
(Breaks finger end of season.)

1954
Douglas Football
7 - 1

			D	O
Sept	25	Cardoza – Washington, DC	0	6
Oct	1	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	34	0
	15	Carver – Rockville, MD	27	0
	22	William Taylor – Warrenton, VA	18	0
	30	Carver – Rockville, MD	40	6
Nov	6	Page Jackson, Charles Town, WV	20	0
	13	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	23	0
	20	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	45	0

POINTS: Douglas - 207
Opponents - 12

The Douglas Bulldogs were again Tri State Champions

Douglas Bulldogs to Hold First 1954 Practice Session Tomorrow

Team Is Aiming For 2nd Successive Unbeaten Season

8-23-54

By CHARLIE TAIT

The first meeting for the Douglas High School football candidates has been called for tonight at 5:30 p.m. by Coach Ed Barksdale. Practice sessions will open tomorrow afternoon at 5:30 and be the same time daily until school opens on September 7. Uniforms will be issued tomorrow.

This season the Bulldogs have a reputation to uphold and the eight-team schedule it has arranged won't make the load any easier. Last year Douglas went undefeated in a spectacular display, winning every game by a comfortable margin as it scored 143 points to a mere six for the opposition.

Coach Barksdale has no idea of doing as well this season even though he has lost only two lettermen from that squad. Both of them, Perry Dyer and Jack Christian, were ends and both are in the U.S. Army now. With them went the height that Coach Barksdale's passers were hitting last year, but he has every other position sewed up as tight as any coach could hope for.

Schedule Not Set

The schedule has not been completed yet as to dates for all of the games. Also there is a possibility of arranging at least one more game. The present schools on the list are: Leesburg, twice; Luray, twice; Charles Town, twice; Culpeper and Rockville. It is hoped that the Rockville game will be the opener on September 24, here. If not, the home game with Luray on October 1 will be the opener.

Rockville, with an enrollment of over 600 in the high school, is an addition to last year's schedule and is figured to give the Bulldogs their most trouble.

The team will work out of some new Split-T formation plays which Coach Barksdale studied this summer under Jim Tatum of Maryland and Sal Hall of Virginia State College in special courses. In addition to what he picked up at those coaching clinics, Barksdale will still use the straight T which brought him so much success with the same boys last year.

Beside the loss of Dyer and Christian, Beverley Gaskins' is somewhat of a doubtful starter as he injured his leg during basketball season and has been limping since. If the injury clears up as expected, he is going to see a lot of action at quarterback.

Base of Squad

This year's squad will be built around: Ends — Michael Ford, David Burks and John Carter; Tackles—Walter Payton, Robert Gaither and John Spenser; Guards — James Stephenson, Floyd Walker, Lawrence Curry, Charles Grimes, Robert Burks and Morris Carter; Centers—Dabney Stephenson and James Nelson, and Backs—David Clinton, Floyd Burks, Hubert Stephenson, James Prather, Garland Williams, Alexander Thomas and James Carter.

Ford, D. Burks, Payton, D. Stephenson, Clinton, F. Burks, H. Stephenson, Prather, J. Stephenson Walker and R. Burks are all returning lettermen.

The Douglas football field is in the best shape since its construction and Coach Barksdale is working on obtaining bleachers this season to prevent the crowding that has existed along the sidelines. At times it has been possible to pull sleeper plays with the receiver behind the crowd and still on the playing field.

The complete schedule will be printed later when a game pending with Warrenton has been settled and the other dates worked out satisfactorily.

Douglas Faces Stiff Test In Cardozo Opener Friday

9-23-54

Bulldogs Defend Undefeated Mark Compiled in '53

The Douglas Bulldogs open their 1954 football season Friday afternoon at home against Cardozo High School of Washington, D.C. After a near-perfect record in 1953 when they went undefeated and untied, the Bulldogs will still be lucky to get past the Washingtonton club.

Cardozo was not on the Douglas schedule last year when it gave up a lone touchdown to the opposition, and even with practically the entire team back at his command, Coach Edwin Barksdale will find it tough to take a win over his alma mater.

The Bulldogs have been practicing for three weeks for this crucial test and are in top shape barring any injuries at this late date to the players. It's a crucial test for sure, as the rest of the season may well be anti-climax.

Cardozo Clerks . . . . .

The Cardodo Clerks are coached by Sylvester Hall, who returned this year after a successful five-year tenure at Virginia State College as head coach. His record there was 28-14-1. His record at Cardozo before leavin included six Division 2 champs in eight years.

Game time is 3 p.m., and there will be bleacher seats available for the first ones on hand. They have been loaned by the Winchester Recreation Department and were moved to the field by the Plumly Lumber Co.

The Douglas line-up: Ends John Carter and Michael Ford; Tackles—Walter Payton, Robert Gaither and Stephen Newman; Guards—James Stephenson, David Burke, Floyd Walker and Lawrence Curry; Center — Dabney Stephenson, co-captain; Quarterback—Hubert Stephenson; Halfbacks—David Clinton and Floyd Burks, co-captain, and Fullback —James Prather.

Douglas Defeated, 6-0, By Powerful Cardozo

9-25-54

Undefeated Hopes Lost to Bulldogs In Moral Victory

Douglas High's hopes of a second undefeated season in a row went down the hatch yesterday afternoon as it absorbed a home field 6-0 loss at the hands of powerful Cardoso High of Washington, D. C.

Happening on opening day made it extra tough for the Bulldogs, but they learned a lot from the six times District champs, and they passed out some lessons in spunk to the visitors, too.

Cardozo fielded three teams, each of which was bigger rangier and faster than Douglas, but it had all it could do to march to a second quarter touchdown. Through the center of the Bulldogs was useless for Cardozo, but it kept turning the ends until a short kick by James Carter gave it the ball on the Douglas 27 yard line and set up the touchdown.

Scored In Second

The TD came midway in the second as Delano Kittrell faked from his quarterback position to his big runner, Kenneth Dunlap, then ran tiwarl his left until tackled and flipped back to James Clary who cruised wide down the left side and into the end zone standing up. The play was good for nine yards straight ahead and another 45 going south. Two tries for the extra point missed, the first being a pass attempt with the Bulldogs off side and second was a run at the middle which ended in a fumble.

For the first time in two seasons, the passing attack of the Bulldogs fell to pieces. During the first time three quarters, the throws of Quarterback Hubert Stephenson were almost all wide of the target, and then in the closing quarter the receivers couldn't hold them.

Stone Wall Defense

Against the big Cardoso lines the Douglas backs were up against a stone wall for the most part, and the punting they received was enough to keep them on the edge of their nerves. James Carter, if he hadn't had some good rolls on the end of his punts, would have averaged less than 15 yards a try. In the end, Coach Barksdale had to call on his left tackle, Walter Peyton to drop back and boot the ball, which left a hole in the line. At that he got off the best kick of the afternoon.

It was Walter Peyton along with James Stephenson, Dabney Stephenson, Floyd Walker and Robert Gaither who blocked up the middle of the line for Douglas and stopped the vaunted running attack of the visitors. Kenneth Dunlap, the most consstant ground gainer on the field, was the outstanding player for the visitors, but his mates, Kittrell, Halfback James Clary and Fullback Rufus Brown all turned in good performances. It was only when they arrived in sight of the Douglas goal that their drives stopped, and if it hadn't been for the short punt that set up their TD, the visitors might still be winging along scoreless.

Missed Best Chance

Perhaps the best scoring chance the Bulldogs had was early in the first quarter when Stephenson hit Michael Ford with a pass good for 33 yards to the Cardozo 22, but a fumble on the opening play from scrimmage broke up the threat.

The scoring series for Cardoso started late in the first quarter, as Carter punted to the visitors' 40. Dunlap made 10 on a carry around his left and then threw a pass incomplete. Kittrell passed on second down to Raymond Burgess at the 25 and a slant off tackle netted seven yards at the end of the period.

Dunlap rolled to the nine, and then Douglas line stopped Kittrell cold. A pitchout from Kittrell to Dunlap carred to the three and then a center buck by Dunlap was fumbled with Garland Williams recovering for Douglas. With only one yard on two plays, Stephenson elected for Carter to punt, the ball dropping dead on the Douglas

Dunlap Sets Up TD

James Clary made five yards off right tackle, Dunlap hit for 10 yards and then carried for three more yards to set up the TD play.

As the first half ended, Cardoso was threatening down on the Douglas 15 yard line.

Unable to get a drive underway on two attempts in the second half, Douglas found itself up to its ears in trouble as Floyd Burks fumbled a punt by Jonney Harris on the home 27. Two plays gave the visitors a first down at the 15 but Douglas backed them up until it was fourth and 30 and they had to punt.

From that pont on, the ball stayed in Douglas territory most of the way, even being punted out on its one yard line at the three quarter point.

From the one, Douglas started a drive which carried to its own 21 before time ran out on some long passes which were dropped.

LINE-UPS

Cardoso	Pos.	Douglas
Burgess	LE	John Carter
White	LT	W. Peyton
Bowman	LG	Stephenson
Frazier	C	Stephenson
Harris	RG	Walker
Kilgore	RT	Gaither
Dutch	RE	Ford
Kittrell	QB	Stephenson
Dunlap	HB	Burks
Clary	HB	Thomas
Brown	FB	Prather

Douglas subs: James Nelson, Garland Williams, Lawrence Curry, James Carter, Robert Burks.

Score by periods:

Cardoso	0	6	0	0	—6
Douglas	0	0	0	0	—0

Officials: Levi Garber, referee; Bill Lee, head linesman; Bill Moore, Field Judge, and Young, Umpire.

Douglas Bulldogs Favored Over Charles Town Eleven

9-29-54

Visitors Scored Only TD Against Locals in 1953

Despite an opening day loss to Cardozo High of Washington, D. C., the Douglas Bulldogs will entertain the favorite's role tomorrow afternoon in a 2 o'clock game with Charles Town, W. Va., High. Played at Douglas, it will be the second home game in a row. Last week's went to Cardozo, 6-0, on a short drive following a poor punt in the second quarter.

One TD In '53

In 1953, when the Bulldogs went undefeated and untied, there was just one blot on their record, a lone touchdown. It was by this same Charles Town eleven and came in their first meeting. That was a 19-6 win for Douglas. In their second game the Bulldogs won 27-0 to more than make up for the TD. No other team crossed the Bulldogs' goal line that year, and powerful District Champion Cardozo found it rough on its one excursion into pay dirt.

Only a let down after the opener could cause Douglas any real difficulty, as Coach Barksdale has his whole squad physically fit for the start of league competition.

Two men he would most like to see on the beam this time are Quarterback Hubert Stephenson and Punter James Carter. In last week's game, the punting of Carter was considerably off, while the passing of Stephenson was below average until late in the game when his receivers couldn't rise to the occasion.

Burks, Prather Should Roll

Halfback Floyd Burks and Fullback James Prather should roll off plenty of yardage tomorrow while the ends, John Carter and Michael Ford, will see plenty of the pigskin. The center of the line: tackles Walter Peyton and Robert Gaither; guards James Stephenson and Floyd Walker and center Dabney Stephenson, needs no regrets after the performance it put on against Cardozo. Without a doubt it was the best demonstration ever seen at the school of a light line getting the jump on an overpowering a much bigger line which was deep in reserves.

Also slated to see action tomorrow are: James Nelson, Garland Williams, Lawrence Curry and Robert Burks.

Douglas Trounces Charles Town, 34-0, in Tri-State League Opener

Stephenson, Ford Lead in Bulldog's 1st Title Defense

10-1-54

Douglas opened the Tri-State League football season yesterday with a splash, running over Page-Jackson of Charles Town, 34-0, in a show of power that promises to earn the championship for the second straight year.

From a 55-yard runback of an intercepted pass for a touchdown by Hubert Stephenson in the opening quarter, the Douglas Bulldogs never experienced any trouble rolling on the ground or gaining in the air. Coach Barksdale substituted freely in an attempt to check his charges, but they wanted the impressive win badly after last week's 6-0 defeat at the hand of Cardozo.

May Improve on 1953

In 1953, when Page-Jackson scored the only TD against the sturdy Bulldog defenses, Douglas moved on to a perfect season. Yesterday the quarterbacking of Hubert Stephenson and the defensive and offensive play of Michael Ford was better than at any time last year.

Stephenson's score in the first quarter was the lone TD, and James Prather added the conversion to make it 7-0.

The Bulldogs second score began with a visitor's fumble in the first quarter which was recovered on the Charles Town 41. Prather picked up four yards, Floyd Burks made a yard, John Carter ran for four, Burks made five and Prather hit for four more as the period ended. On the first play of the second quarter, Burks faded and chucked a pass to Carter from 22 yards out for the score. Prather missed on the conversion attempt, 13-0.

Stephenson Scores

Midway in the same quarter, a pass from Hubert Stephenson to Ford was good for 20 yards with the play going out of bounds on the one-yard line. On the quarterback sneak, Stephenson scored, but Prather missed his kick again, 19-0.

On the third play after the kickoff, Charles Town fumbled on its own 25 to set up Douglas' fourth TD. It came after a 15-yard penalty against Douglas when Stephenson hit Prather for 22 yards on a pass and then connected with Ford for the distance. A pass from Stephenson to Carter was good for the extra point, 26-0.

Ford Stops Threat

The rest of the period was an exchange of interceptions with Douglas winding up in possession at midfield.

After kicking off in the second half, Charles Town, aided by another 15-yard penalty, pushed Douglas back to its goal and brought on a punt. The ball booted by Walter Peyton carried to only the Douglas 36, but Page-Jackson couldn't take advantage of the break. After an incompleted pass from Quarterback Branson to an end was broken up by Ford, a fumble turned the ball over to Douglas as Ford fell on the pigskin.

On the first play from scrimmage, David Clinton followed his blocking to the right, saw a hole open up over the guard and then streaked back across the field to the far sideline and all the way into pay dirt 67 yards away. It was the play of the game. Prather missed again to leave it at 32-0.

Safety Ends Scoring

Charles Town warded off another Douglas drive late in the fourth quarter, taking over the ball on its own eight-yard line. But that was the key to the final score. Branson faded back to pass but Ford and Peyton broke through to drop him behind the goal for a safety, 34-0.

Time ran out with Douglas back in possession again. During the game it held Page-Jackson to a near minus yardage gain on the ground and broke up most of Branson's passes. The defensive star of the visitors was a big guard, Newan, whose Number 88 was as familiar to Douglas' backfield as it was to his own.

Squads

Douglas: Ford, Carter, Curry—Ends; Peyton, Gaither, Curry, Nelson—Tackles; Burks, D. J. Stephenson, F. Walker, Bland—Guards; D. Stephenson—center; H. Stephenson, F. Burks, D. Clinton, Prather, R. Burks, A. Thomas—Backs.

Charles Town: Newman, Harris, Rutherford, Brown—Ends; Thomas, Brown, Kemp, Shelton, Ross—Tackles; Bailey, Turner, Newan, Taylor—Guards; Thomas, Washington—Center; Branson, Willis, Lewis, Davenport, Stevenson, Baylor, Braxton, Harris—Backs.

Officials—Seldon, Newcome and Young.

Scorer—Tommy Washington.

Score by Periods:

Page-Jackson	0	0	0	0	0
Douglas High	7	19	6	2	34

Clinton and Prather Lead Douglas To 27-0 Win Over Rockville Team

10-14-54

After an opening game 6-0 loss to Cardozo, the Douglas Bulldogs have come along with a show of power in winning two straight by top heavy margins. Last night the Winchester school defeated Carver High of Rockvill, Md., 27-0, on the losers home field.

The big guns in last night's win were David Clinton and James Prather with a pair of touchdowns each, and Prather added three conversions to run his point total to 15. Clinton now has a point total of 18, having scored a TD in the 34-0 win over Page Jackson in the last game.

Scored Early

Opening early in the game with a long run by Clinton, the Bulldogs were out in front to stay. Carver kicked off to the Douglas 10-yard line and it was first and 10 on the 15 after a short runback. Quarterback Hubert Stephenson handed off to Prather for five yards and then he handed off to Clinton on a quick opening shot at the line with the speedy back cutting up the sideline for the distance. It was a neat 80-yard run and Prather made his conversion good. 7-0.

Still in the first quarter after the kickoff by Douglas, Carver had three cracks at the line without a first down and was forced to punt The boot, by William Ellis carried to only the Carver 41-yard line where Hubert Stephenson returned to the 36. He opened the next series and then chucked a 33-yard touchdown pass to Prather, with the fullback again adding the extra point. 14-0.

Injury No Loss

In the second quarter, the passing attack of the hosts began to materialize until Coach Barksdale sent in his injured Floyd Burks to break it up. Burks, who has a broken thumb and wasn't expected to see action, did exactly what the coach ordered. He broke up the passing attack of James Foreman and Junius Johnson until it wasn't effective at all.

The third quarter was a near-repeat of the first for Douglas. Douglas kicked off to the Carver 10 and it was returned to the 30 by Robert Thornton. Foreman ran for five yards, then lost three on a shot at the middle of the tough Douglas line, and finally threw badly to an end only to have Prather gather it in and race 30 yards from the flat into the end zone for the third TD. This time he missed the conversion. 20-0.

Douglas Recovers

Douglas kicked off again with Carver taking the ball on the short boot at the 35 and Foreman carried it to the 40 for first and 10. On the first play, Foreman handed off to James Davis, an end, for 15 yards but fumbled himself on the next play and John Carter of Douglas recovered for a first down on his own 43.

Hubert Stephenson ran for 10 yards, and he passed to Carter for 15 yards for a pair of quick first downs. With the ball on the Carver 32, Stephenson handed off to Clinton who went all the way for the final TD. The final point was made by Prather. 27-0.

First Under Light

It was the first time that Douglas had played under the lights in three seasons and it was the first time in many games that the lads had faced a single wing attack. But it didn't make much difference to the Bulldogs who should go the rest of the way without a loss.

Last night the Carver Band entertained during the half. On hand was the largest crowd that the Bulldogs have faced all season, numbering several hundred.

Next Thursday afternoon, the Bulldogs are host in a 2 o'clock game to William Taylor High of Warrenton.

LINE-UPS

Douglas	Poos.	Carver
Carter	LE	Ellis
Peyton	LT	Nelson
J. Stephenson	LG	Shelton
D. Stephenson	C	Israel
Curry	RG	More
Gaither	RT	Thomas
Ford	RE	Harriday
H. Stephenson	QB	Foreman
Thomas	HB	Williams
Clinton	HB	Thornton
Prather	FB	Johnson

Douglas subs: Cary, Bland, R. Burks, F. Burks, K. Burks, Nelson, Williams, D. Burks, James Carter.

Carver subs: D. Israel, Lord Byron, Holston, Ellis, Wood, Davis, Owens.

Douglas	14	0	13	0	—27
Carver	0	0	0	0	— 0

Douglas Plans Aerial Defense For Warrenton

10-19-54

Douglas High hopes to run its current win streak to three this Thursday afternoon when William C. Taylor High comes in for a 2 o'clock game. But the Bulldogs will have to get past the best aerial attack they have faced yet.

The Warrenton Wildcats have two ends and a halfback who average six feet, three and a half inches, and that goes along with a quarterback who can hit them with accuracy. Last week, when the Bulldogs trounced Carver High of Rockville, Md., they experienced considerable trouble with the passing attack of the host club, and this week's opposition is rated much better than that.

Fast Scatback

Warrenton also has a scatback who runs the 100-yard dash in 10.3 in football uniform. If he can turn that loose against the Bulldogs he's a sure TD, but the Douglas line is one of the best and it will take more than speed to break through it.

Coach E. K. Barksdale expressed the opinion that, 'this week's game could easily be the toughest of the season, not counting our opener," against Cardozo, which the Bulldogs dropped, 6-0. In the other two games, Douglas came out on top, 34-0 over Charles Town and 27-0 over Carver.

The big guns for Douglas have been: Clinton with three touchdowns, Prather with two; H. Stephenson with two; and Carter and Ford with a TD each. Carter has one extra point to his credit, while Prather has four.

Douglas Downs William Taylor, 18—0, on First-Half Touchdowns

Stephenson, Ford Clinton Lead Way To Bulldogs' Win

10-22-54

The Douglas Bulldogs, playing in short spurts, managed to sustain three drives yesterday afternoon to defeat a green William Taylor High, 18-0, on the locals' field. It was the opening game this season for the Warrenton eleven and the fourth for Douglas.

In the first quarter, David Clinton waltz over from the two-yard line to climax a 33-yard drive set up by a very short punt. James Prather's conversion shot was blocked. 6-0. The second Douglas TD came in the second quarter with Quarterback Hubert Stephenson passing 23 yards to Michael Ford to end a 34-yard march. Stephenson's pass for the extra point was no good.

The final score was on a one-yard sneak by Stephenson to finish a 67-yard drive. The third straight miss (another kick by Prather) on an extra point left it at 18-0.

Overconfidence Hurts

Overconfidence may have had a hand in the Bulldogs' lack of drive against William Taylor, but in the second half they went to pieces for the first time this season. Passes were dropped in the clear, the ends were mouse trapped time after time and the tackling was weak. Only the greeness of William Taylor kept the Bulldogs from being run over.

As a matter of fact, Paul Smith, six foot, two inch quarterback of the Wildcats, picked up eight to ten yards almost at will as he swept the ends without interference. A couple of more like him and the Bulldogs would have had their hands full for sure. The lanky lad was a double threat all game. When he wasn't pounding the ends, he was back passing. His shots over the line were short and right on the target but his receivers couldn't hang on to the ball. His long shots in desperation went astray more often then not as Floyd Burks knocked most of them down.

Defense Wakes Up

But the best drives that Smith could sustain fell apart before becoming a real threat as the Bulldogs showed glimpses of their good form. In four games, they have given up just six points, and yesterday's opposition wasn't on a par with their previous opponents.

Douglas lost the flip to open the game and kicked off to the Taylor 30 with the visitors getting a first down on the 30. Three plays later Smith had moved his Wildcats only three yards and he dropped back to punt. The kick was poor, going straight up and out of bounds on the same 33-yard line of Warrenton.

With a first down, Robert Burks fumbled on a quarterback keep, but Walter Peyton recovered for Douglas. Then Clinton made three yards; James Prather cracked over the center of the line for seven yards and Floyd Burks made a first down on the Taylor 23. Burks handed off to Clinton for three; kept on the next play for a loss of two and then Coach Barksdale sent in Hubert Stephenson to direct the Bulldogs.

Clinton Scores TD

On the first play, Stephenson handed off to Clinton and the speedy halfback went to the two-yard line for a first and goal. One play later the same play went for the score.

Douglas threatened in the opening part of the second quarter, but penalties prevented a score. The Bulldogs had the ball on their own 48 when Stephenson hit Michael Ford for a gain of 31 yards. Clinton carried off right tackle for three yards and Stephenson hurled one to John Carter which was good for 26 yards to the five-yard line of the visitors. A 15-yard penalty on the play set the hosts back to their 45 and nullified the gain. Stephenson then passed to Ford for 20 yards but an offside against the Bulldogs nullified that and left them 50 yards away from pay dirt. On the next play, Taylor intercepted and the threat was over.

Ford Recovers

Taylor moved for one first down and then lost the ball on a fumble which Ford fell on for Douglas at the visitors' 34. Clinton made four on a handoff; Prather picked up six yards and a first down. Stephenson spun off the right end for eight yards, and a three yard gain by Floyd Burks was wiped out by an offside penalty. It didn't make much difference, however, as Stephenson faded back with good blocking and spotted a perfect toss to Ford in the left flat for the distance.

Following the kickoff, Paul Smith made yardage for the Wildcats both in the air and on the ground until he had a pass intercepted by Clinton on the Douglas 15 and run back up to the 33.

22-Yard Pass

Prather swept his left end for 18 yards; Stephenson passed no good and Floyd Burks hit the weak side for a loss of one yard. That set up a pass from Stephenson to Ford which carried 22 yards for another first down in the 15-yard line. Two incomplete passes by Stephenson and a pass to Prather for nine yards were followed by a four-yard line plunge by Clinton for a first down on the one-yard line with goal to go. It went quick as Stephenson scored over his right guard, but Prather failed to convert.

Next Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Bulldogs will be hosts to Carver High of Rockville, the same team which Douglas defeated on the Marylanders' field, 27-0. But as Coach Barksdale phrased it, "Douglas would have been in plenty of trouble in that one if they had played like they did today."

LINE-UPS

Taylor	Pos.	Douglas
J. Smith	LE	Carter
Nelson	LT	Peyton
Yates	LG	J. Stephenson
C. Chitester	C	D. Stephenson
Payne	RG	Walker
Arnold	RT	Gaither
Brooks	RE	Ford
P. Smith	QB	H. Stephenson
W. Chitester	HB	Clinton
Smoot	HB	F. Burks
Carter	FB	Prather

Taylor subs: Poles, Sharp, Tines, J. Smith, Williams, Parker, Marshall, Rowe, Ball and M. Smith.

Douglas subs: D. Burks, R. Burks, Thomas, Williams, Carter, Curry.

Score by Periods:

Taylor	0	0	0	0	— 0
Douglas	6	12	0	0	—18

Officials—White, Campbell and Garber.

Bulldogs Down Carver, 40-6, for 4th Straight

David Clinton's 13 Points Lead Rockville Rout

10-30-54

Douglas High romped to a 40-6 win over Carver High of Rockville, Md., yesterday afternoon on the Bulldogs home field before a slim crowd of 100. Threatening weather and a wet field held the attendance down, but it didn't do much toward slowing the Douglas backs.

It was the second time this season the Bulldogs have won by a 34-point margin, and it was just the second time that any team has been able to score against them. It went down as the fourth straight win, too.

There wasn't any doubt or luck about the Carver touchdown, though, as it was the result of a first class passing attack with Quarterback James Johnson hitting Alec Harriday down the left side for 24 yards and a score finishing a 69-yard drive. There also wasn't any doubt about the outcome of the game at that time, because it came in the fourth quarter with the Bulldogs leading 33-0.

Six Touchdowns

David Clinton scored two first quarter touchdowns and an extra point in the third; James Prather went for one touchdown and bucked over three times for the extra point; Garland Williams scored a TD in the third quarter; John Carter took a fourth quarter pass for a TD, and Hubert Stephenson ended the parade in the fourth with a TD from his quarterback position.

Douglas now has a season record of 4-1; Cardozo, 0-6; Charles Town, 34-0; Carver, 27-0; William Taylor, 18-0, and yesterday's 40-6 romp. The next game on the schedule for the Bulldogs is against Charles Town Friday on the West Virginians' home field. After that they travel to Leesburg and then are home on Nov. 19.

Douglas Kicks Off

Douglas lost the flip and kicked off to the visitors with Michael Ford's boot going into the end zone for an automatic first down at the 20. James Foreman passed to Kenny Owens for four yards, as Carver opened up gambling; then he went off tackle for five yards, and Kenny Owens made it a first down at the 33 with a straight buck. Three plays later the hard charging Douglas line broke through with Walter Peyton blocking Foreman's punt, Douglas took over on the Carver 25.

On the first play from scrimmage, Hubert Stephenson handed off to David Clinton and the fleet halfback spun through the middle for the distance and the TD. Floyd Burks was stopped trying to run the extra point.

Clinton Again

Three plays after the next kickoff, Foreman punted to the Douglas 33 where Burks received and ran up to the 45. On the opener, Prather went for five, and then Burks took a handoff from Stephenson and went 21 yards. Two short gains and a five yard penalty put the ball on the Carver 20 and set up a pass from Stephenson to Clinton for the second score A buck by Prather over the middle missed for the extra point. 12-0.

In the second quarter, Douglas drove 62 yards to the Carver 32 before fumbling, and that ended most of the action in the first half.

Carver's Avin Thomas kicked off to open the third quarter with Dab Stephenson running to the 35 for first and ten. David Clinton opened with a 23-yard spurt; Burks made seven; Clinton hit for six; Prather made the third first down with a 10 yard buck; and then he and Stephenson moved the ball to the four-yard line with first and goal to go. Prather made the score over his own left guard and Clinton added the extra point. 19-0.

Williams Scores

After the kickoff, Carver missed the first down on three running plays and Moore punted to Burks at the Douglas 30. The runback made it a first down at the Carver 40. Burks went 20 yards on a quick opener and then Garland Williams took a pitch out from Stephenson on the second play and went the last 20 yards for the TD. Prather bucked over the left side for the 26th point.

In the early moments of the fourth quarter, Hubert Stephenson passed down the left side to John Carter for a 45-yard touchdown climaxing an 87-yard march. The pass hit Carter on the Carver 25 and he reversed his field at the 20 to run past the safety man with ease. Prather made it 33-0 with another buck over the left side.

Stephenson Sneaks

After Carver scored its lone TD, Douglas marched 59 yards with Stephenson keeping on a quarterback sneak from the one-yard line for the final score. Prather added the point the identical way he made the previous two. Most of the yardage on that drive was by Clinton, Prather and a 28-yard pass from John Carter to Garland Williams. The game ended before Carver could get a play underway after the kickoff.

Carver could have made a better story of it, perhaps, if they had concentrated a little more on the Douglas pass defense, which was on the sleepy side part of the game. The Douglas line is far the best in its league, offensively and defensively, but the pass defense has been a weak spot all along.

Right now the school is dickering for a November 26 date at home against Armstrong of Washington, D. C., a very strong team of the unlimited Cardozo class.

Player List

Players: Douglas—Ford, John Carter, Dabney Stephenson, Walter Peyton, Gaither, Floyd Burks, Clinton, Prather, Walter, James Stephenson, Hubert Stephenson, Nelson, Williams, Bland, Avery, James Carter, Kenneth Burks, Carey and Thomas.

Carver—Wims, Johnson, Thomas, Nelson, Isreal, Bishop, Shelton, Cane, Harriday, Owens, Woodsy, Ellis; Ralston, Moore, Thornton, Shelton, Carr and DeWitt.

Touchdowns: Douglas—Clinton (2), Prather, Williams, John Carter and Hubert Stephenson; Carver—Harriday.

Score by Periods:

Carver	0	0	0	6	6
Douglas	12	0	14	14	40

Officials: Young, Lee and Moore.

Official scorer: Tommy Washington.

Page Jackson Douglas' Host Friday, 2 PM

11-3-54

Undefeated and untied in Tri-State League play, the Douglas Bulldogs travel to Charles Town on Friday for a 2 p. m. game with the Page Jackson eleven. In their first meeting, the Bulldogs walloped their West Virginia opponents, 34-0.

Undefeated, untied and scored on only once in 1953, Douglas has the makings of almost as good a record this season. Despite an opening day 6-0 loss to powerful Cardozo of Washington, D. C., the Bulldogs have romped the rest of the way since. They own wins over Carver, 27-0 and 40-6, and an 18-0 win over William Taylor besides the other win over Charles Town.

The season total so far is 119 points for Douglas and 12 for the opposition. One opponent TD came on line play by Cardozo and the other on a pass by Carver.

Clinton Has Six TDs

Leading the Douglas scoring parade are: Dave Clinton with six touchdowns; Hubert Stephenson with four; James Prather with three; John Carter and Michael Ford with a pair each, and Garland Williams with one. Clinton leads in total points (37) as he has one extra point; Prather, with seven extra points is just a point behind Stephenson (24); Carter has 13 with one extra point and Ford is a point behind him; Williams has six points and the other two points were the result of a safety against Charles Town which Ford and Walter Peyton fell on.

In 1953, Page Jackson was the lone team to rack up a score against the Bulldogs, but Douglas has more than evened the infraction of its goal.

Tough Guard

Except for the line play of Charles Town's Newman, the last Douglas-Page Jackson game held little to interest the West Virginia fans.

Although the Bulldogs hold an 80-6 edge over Charles Town in the last three games, it will still pay them to be careful. Twice this season overconfidence has bothered them, particularly against passing attacks. That, according to Coach Barksdle, is the main thing the Bulldogs have to fear, as the line is strong enough to hold off any team in the league.

Douglas Trims Page-Jackson, 20-0, For Fifth Straight Win Of Season

11-6-54

Douglas romped to its fifth straight win of the season yesterday afternoon at Charles Town, downing Page-Jackson High, 20-0 on a wet clay field.

It was the second win over Charles Town this season for the Bulldogs who took the first one, 34-0 at Douglas. The only blot on the Bulldogs' record is the 6-0 opening day defeat at the hands of Cardozo of Washington.

James Prather, the Bulldogs' big, tough fullback, went 34 yards in the first quarter to open the scoring, but his try from placement was wide of the mark. Then in the second quarter, Quarterback Hubert Stephenson passed nine yards to end Michael Ford for a TD, with Prather blasting his way over the line for the extra point.

Same Combination

The final touchdown came late in the fourth quarter when the same passing combination clicked from two yards out. Prather was sent into the backfield on the same play as a decoy, with the desired results. He bucked over the left end for the extra point and nine plays later the game was over.

Page-Jackson kicked off to open the game with Dabney Stephenson returning the ball 20 yards to the Douglas 42. Three plays later, Page-Jackson had recovered a Douglas fumble on the visitors' 37 but ended up punting from three yards further back on fourth down. With David Clinton, Prather and Floyd Burks leading the way, Douglas moved to the 33 from the 12 and then punted. Clinton's boot carried all the way to the host 15, where a good runback and a clipping penalty combined to put it on the Shenandoah 14-yard line.

Punt on Third

The quarterbacking of Branson was stopped by the Bulldogs and Page-Jackson elected to punt on third down with the kick carrying to the Douglas 44. Prather and Clinton picked up a first down and then Prather and Burks combined for another as the Bulldogs reached the Page 34. On the next play, Prather swept straight over the left tackle position with perfect blocking and went the distance. It was a 56-yard drive.

Midway in the second quarter, Prather recovered a Page fumble on the hosts' 27. On the opening play, he carried for seven yards and then Burks took a handoff and raced to the 10-yard line for a first and goal to go. After the four-minute warning was given, Prather hit for one yard at the left side, and then Stephenson spotted Ford in the rear of the end zone and hit him with a sharp peg. Prather's buck made it 13-0, but the action was far from over in the first half.

Ford Gets Fumble

Ford recovered a fumble by Halfback Lewis and raced 35 yards to score. It was called back because of a clipping penalty against the Bulldogs, and then they had the ball on the Page 20 with a first down. Stephenson missed on two passes and hit Prather at the 10 for a first and goal to go. On the next play, Clinton slashed to the one-yard line, but the whistle ended it that time.

The third quarter was nip and tuck for each side, ending with Page in possession on its own 19-yard line. On the first play of the final quarter, Branson lost five yards trying to pass and A. Taylor punted out to the Page 30 with John Carter returning it to the 24. Page took over on downs after breaking up one pass play by Stephenson in the end zone and having a penalty nullify a 17-yard gain on a pass from Stephenson to Ford.

The Douglas defense, led by John Carter, broke up the next attempted Page drive and the hosts had to punt. Douglas took over with a first down on the Page 29.

29-Yard Drive

Prather made six straight ahead; James Carter made one; Stephenson passed to Burks for seven yards and a first down at the 16; Burks went for seven more off the right guard, and then Stephenson passed into the end zone to Carter who couldn't hold it. After Clinton was stopped, Burks carried to the one yard line for an eight-yard advance. He lost one on the next play and then Stephenson hit Ford for the TD.

A desperate passing attack by Charles Town moved the ball down to the Douglas 29 before the game ended, but it couldn't dent the forward wall of the Bulldogs when it was close to pay dirt.

LINEUPS

Douglas	Pos.	Page-Jackson
John Carter	LE	Rector
Payton	LT	Harris
J. Stephenson	LG	Turner
D. Stephenson	C	Washington
Curry	RG	Bailey
Gaither	RT	Shelton
Ford	RE	Kemp
H. Stephenson	QB	Branson
Clinton	HB	Lewis
Burks	HB	Braxton
Prather	FB	Willis

Douglas subs: R. Burks, Thomas, Williams, James Carter, Nelson, Cary, Bland, Walker and K. Burks.

Extra points: Prather (2).

Official scorer: Tommy Washington.

Score by Periods:

Douglas	6	7	0	7	20
Page	0	0	0	0	0

Douglas Climaxes Season With 45-0 Win Over Leesburg

Bulldogs Outscore Opposition 207-12 For 7-1-0 Record

11-20-54

By CHARLIE TAIT

Douglas wound up a spectacular football season yesterday afternoon in fitting fashion as it walloped an outmanned Leesburg ouglass, 45-0, in rain, fog and mud.

Taking to the sloppy turf like real mudders, the Bulldogs rolled over the Tornadoes in their best scoring display of the season to hike the year's total points to 207 as compared to 12 for all of the combined opposition, including the 6-0 defeat at the hands of Cardozo. Other than that opening game defeat. The Bulldogs experienced no difficulty in sweeping the rest of the schedule undefeated and untied.

Second Straight Title

Thus, for the second straight year, the Bulldogs were undisputed Tri-State champs, practically being unscored on by any team in their own class. Last season, in going undefeated and untied all the way, the Douglas eleven gave up just one TD, to Charles Town's Page Jackson, while the other TD against the Bulldogs this year was by Carver, which was tripped, 40-6.

Sharing in the big scoring parade yesterday were John Carter, David Clinton, James Prather, Michael Ford, each with a touchdown; Floyd Burks with three touchdowns and an extra point, and Clinton and Carver with a point apiece, too.

Short Penetration

While the fleetfooted lads were rolling along to all of those touchdowns, the Bulldogs line was doing more than its share. It wasn't until just a moment before the four-minute warning in the first half when the visitors actually moved into Douglas territory, and then it was only as deep as the Winchester 47 before an offside penalty moved them back and forced a punt.

The game was two minutes from the end before Leesburg reached Douglas territory again, and it came from a short kickoff by the Bulldogs with Quarterback Nathan Jackson taking the ball on his 40 and moving to the Winchester 39. Two line plays netted five yards to the 35, but Burks intercepted a Jackson pass to stop the drive, and the Tornadoes never had another chance to get the game ended.

Defensive Stars

Leading that defensive were: David Burks, Walter Payton (playing with his left arm in a cast), Dabney Stephenson, James Stephenson and Ford. The bright part of the visitors' performance was the defensive work of their big tackles, James Simms and Samuel Thomas.

The game opened with Douglas kicking off to Leesburg, but as soon the Tornadoes picked up a first down on passing, Prather came up with an interception to give the Bulldogs the ball on the Leesburg 25. Clinton made a first down to the 10 on a 15 yard opener. One running play netted nothing, and then Hubert Stephenson threw three passes from his quarterback slot with all of them incomplete and the Tornadoes took over on their 10.

First Touchdown

The next time the Bulldogs got the ball it was following a short punt by Jackson to the Leesburg 25. Six plays later, Stephenson passed to John Carter from the six for the opening TD, but he missed on a pass for the extra point, 6-0.

In the second quarter, David Clinton capped a 32-yard drive with a nine-yard smash off his right tackle, and Burks bucked over for the point, 13-0. Still in the same period, the Bulldogs put together a fast TD, as Burks intercepted a Jackson pass on the 23. On the opener, Stephenson pitched out to Prather going around the left end and the big fullback crashed into the end zone. Clinton went over the middle for the extra point, 20-0.

Spread for Score

A third score in the same quarter came at the end of a 66-yard drive as Stephenson passed to Michael Ford from the five-yard line on a spread formation. Stephenson fumbled the ball on the point try, 26-0.

Beginning with the second half kickoff, the Bulldogs moved all the way from their 40 to the one-yard line with Burks going over from there on a smash at the middle. Stephenson's pass for the point was no good, 32-0.

In the final quarter, two plays were all that were needed for the Bulldogs to add another TD from 40 yards out. On the second play, Burks escaped one tackler in the backfield, broke through the line of scrimmage on the left side and shook his way right out of a real mess to go all the way unassisted. Prather's buck for the point was short, 38-0.



Winchester Star Photo

QUEEN REBECCA ROBINSON is crowned by Principal Kirk N. Gaskins during Homecoming ceremonies at Douglas High yesterday afternoon.

Although the pageantry was held during a pouring rain at halftime at the Douglas-Leesburg football game it was a big success. Taking part besides the queen and her court was the Gibson Drum and Bugle Corps

As queen, Miss Robinson, who is the daughter of Mrs. Joyce Robinson of Strasburg, will have her name engraved along with those of past queens on a permanent trophy in the school. She is an 11th grade student and won the honor as the most popular girl in the two top grades

Thomas Sparks Drive

A 49-yard drive capped with an 11-yard pass from Stephenson to Burks in the end zone climaxed the scoring, and Stephenson passed to Carter for the anti-climax extra point. Sparking that last drive was a 23-yard run by Alexander Thomas.

After the TD, Leesburg had the ball long enough to make that last penetration before Burks intercepted the Jackson pass. The game ended with Douglas in possession, third and 45 to go after a series of penalties and losses.

Two Great Years

"For the sake of comparisons, Coach Edwin Barksdale stated that the 1954 eleven, "has more offensive power than it did in 1953, is equally strong on defense, but has been a little weaker on pass defense. I have been very proud of both."

With only six men on the bench yesterday, Coach Barksdale found that even his free substitution rule couldn't hold the score down.

Next season, the Bulldogs will lose the services of: Dabney Stephenson, Michael Ford, Hubert Stephenson, Floyd Burks and James Prather off the first string. No subs graduate.

LINE-UPS

Douglass	Pos.	Douglas
Trammel	LE	Carter
Simms	LT	D. Payton
Gaines	LG	Stephenson, J.
Randolph	C	Stephenson, D.
Thompson	RG	Burks, D.
Thomas	RT	Gaither
Carpenter	RE	Ford
Carpenter	QB	Stephenson, H.
Day	HB	Clinton
Bryant	HB	Burks, F.
Days	FB	Prather

Leesburg subs: Ashton, Jackson, Roberts, Daye, Thompson, Floyd, Roberts Thomas, Carey, Trent and Hughes.

Winchester subs: Thomas, Williams, James Carter, Kenneth Burks, Cary and Bland.

Officials: Campbell Garrabrandt and Garber.

Scorer, Tommy Washington.

Score by periods:

Douglass	0	0	0	0	0
Douglas	6	20	6	13	45

Area Schools Outpoint Opposition, 707 to 321

26-10-1 Record For Four Teams Is One of Best

12-2-54

BY CHARLIE TAIT

The 1954 football season, locally, was a huge success for the most part. The four area schools: Handley, Douglas, James Wood and Clarke County amassed a total of 707 points to a combined total of 321 for the opposition.

In doubling the output of their opponents, the local schools finished with a record of 26 wins, 10 losses and one tie, with three of the four having better than a .750 average.

Handley won the District 5 championship for the third successive year, although sharing it this time with Clifton Forge; Douglas won the Tri-State championship and Clarke County finished fourth in District 5 after its first season in football in the 16-team league. James Wood finished in the second half of the same district.

In their own leagues, Handley and Douglas were unbeaten and untied, while Clarke County had one loss against five wins. James Wood, which was batting .500 in the scoring until the Warren County loss, went downhill toward the end and finished with a 3-6-1 season

Stewart, James Wood quarterback; Jackie Vincent, Clarke back, John Carter, Douglas end.

The two touchdown men were: Robbie Robinson, Handley, George Sempeles, Handley; John Christian, James Wood, Donnie Royston, Clarke County, Norman Heflin, Clarke County. One touchdown scorers were: Anderson, Fletcher and Bill Hickerson of Handley; J. Pingley, Kendall, Robinson and Symons of James Wood; White, Breeden, Tomblin, Pierce, Murray and Fuller of Clarke County; and Williams of Douglas.

Royston Leads in Points

In the extra point department: Peter Sturm of Handley had 10 conversions; Gordon had two for Handley; Tommy Grove scored six for James Wood and Dick had one. Royston made 11 for Clarke County to take the lead; while the following scored points for Douglas: Carter (2), Prather (8), Clinton (3) and Burks (1). Peyton and James Stephenson each added a pair of points to the Douglas total with safeties.

Statistically speaking, that's a terrific average for a four-school area, and next season shouldn't be too much of a letdown because many of the stalwarts are returning to all four schools.

13-4 Favor of Locals

On the shutout side, the four local schools suffered three blanks: one each for Douglas, James Wood and Clarke County. But on the black ink side of the ledger, the locals shut out the opposition 13 times with Douglas taking the honors on six occasions. Handley racked up four shutouts, James Wood one and Clarke County two. Strasburg, a likely shutout for James Wood and Clarke County, forfeited to each.

All four schools spread their scoring power out among a number of players: Handley (11), Clarke County (11), James Wood (10), and Douglas (9).

Three men scored seven touchdowns each: Allen Stryker, Handley quarterback; David Clinton, Douglas halfback; and Charles Kackley, Clarke County halfback. In the six touchdown group were: Jim Gordon, Handley half; Frank Armstrong, Handley half; Walter Barr, Clarke County quarterback; James Prather, Douglas fullback, and Michael Ford, Douglas end.

Four TD's Each

Scoring four touchdowns apiece were: Lynwood Donald, James Wood halfback; Hubert Stephenson, Douglas quarterback, and Floyd Burks, Douglas halfback.

Douglas Wins Sixth Straight, Shuts Out Leesburg 11, 23-0

Bulldogs Ready For Homecoming Here Next Week

11-13-54

By CHARLIE TAIT

Warming up slowly on offense, the Winchester Douglas Bulldogs rocked the Leesburg Douglass eleven, 23-0, yesterday afternoon at the Loudoun County Ball Park before a large homecoming day crowd. In the first half, the best the once-beaten Winchester could do was a 20-yard TD run by James Prather with the same lad sweeping his left side for the extra point.

Then in the third quarter, Winchester's James Stephenson broke through the big Douglass line to nail Harry Lloyd behind the goal for a two-pointer. That 9-0 lead held up until early in the final quarter, when Hubert Stephenson passed 24 yards to Michael Ford who carried three men into the end zone with him David Clinton went over his own right guard for the extra point.

Floyd Burks Goes Over

Then in the closing minutes of the final period, Floyd Burks took a flip back from Stephenson at quarterback and went around his left side for the final score. It was a two yard sweep. Prather split the uprights that time to round out the scoring.

It was the sixth straight win for the Bulldogs and the fifth time this season that opposition has failed to score. In fact, Douglas has rolled on to 159 points against 12 for their seven opponents. They lost to Cardozo, 6-0, and then won over Charles Town twice, Carver twice, and William Taylor. Yesterday's game was the first of a two game series with Douglass, the next one coming this Friday at Douglas for the Winchester school's Homecoming.

Prather Scores

After a scoreless first quarter, Douglas began to move with the ball fro mabout midfield after a punt by Mack Sims of Douglass. With Floyd Burks and Prather alternating, the Bulldogs moved down to the 20 from where the big fullback, Prather, carried it over. His patented slam-bang drive around the left end was good for the extra point.

The Bulldogs had a passing attack moving as time ran out in the half. The best defensive play of the first half was a knifing tackle by Louis Carter of Leesburg causing Quarterback Hubert Stephenson to fumble, although Winchester recovered.

On the first play following the kick off from Winchester to Leesburg, Michael Ford pounced on a host fumble and the Bulldogs opened a march from the Leesburg 32. Prather plowed up the turf for 20 yards and a first at the 12, and Leesburg was penalized five for offside to move the ball to the seven. On a shot at the left side, Burks ran over his own blocker with a clear field, fumbled the ball and Douglass recovered on the five for a first and ten. On the opening play, Stephenson broke through to rack up the three-pointer and give the hosts a free kick from their 20.

Numerous Penalties

They started a series of plays and penalties which threatened to spoil the game for awhile. Burks made a 22-yard runback of the kick to put the ball in play on the Winchester 47 but a 15-yard penalty for illegal use of hands set the ball all the way back to the Winchester 32. On the opener, Burks bucked over the middle for nine and Stephenson sneaked across the line for three yards and a first. Prather went to the left side for 15 yards, but a second illegal use of hands put the ball on the Winchester 39 with still a first down. David Clinton then picked up six yards but Ford was called for clipping and the ball then went back to the Winchester 16. On the next huddle, the referee placed the ball back on the Winchester 36 but called an illegal use of hands on Dabney Stephenson the next play and put the ball down on the Winchester 23 with it still being first down. Prather made 18 yards to make it second and 12, but Burks fumbled and lost nine yards on the next play to make it second and 12, but Burks fumbled and lost nine yards on the next play to leave it third and 21.

Long Pass To Ford

Quarterback Stephenson then faded back and heaved a long one down the left side to Ford who lateralled to Burks on the 10 and he set up a first and goal to go at the six. Samuel Thomas, the defensive standout for the hosts, then broke through to nail Prather cold as the third quarter ended. Thomas stopped Burks on the first play of the fourth and Leesburg finally stopped the drive and took over on its 19. Three plays later, Leesburg was forced to punt with the Bulldogs getting a first down on the hosts' 31-yard line.

Clinton picked up six yards Prather made one, and then Stephenson passed to Ford at the five and the big boy cut back and carried the three men who had hold of him right into the end zone. Clinton then went over the left guard for the extra point.

Prather Intercepts

Two plays after the next kickoff, Prather intercepted a pass from Charles Bryant at the Winchester 45 just before the four-minute warning was given. On the first play from scrimmage, Prather smashed through the line for a first down on the Leesburg 42, and then James Carter carried twice for a total of four yards. On the following play, Stephenson connected with a beauty to Burks, but the official called him out of bounds at the three-yard line. It was a first and goal to go and Burks carried twice, the first time for a half a yard and the second time for the score, going off his left side. Prather then settled down and place kicked the ball dead center.

Douglas Wins (Part 2)

Douglass had just time to run back the kickoff to midfield before the gun went off.

On the ground, the Leesburg backs just couldn't make any headway against the Winchester line, while the passing attack was not quite good enough to work up a scoring sequence.

Next week's game, which will feature crowning the queen at halftime, gets underway at 2 p.m.

LINE-UPS

Douglas	Pos.	Douglass
John Carter	LE	R. Trammell
Walter Payton	LT	N. Jackson
J. Stephenson	LG	James Garmes
D. Stephenson	C	R. Randolph
Floyd Walker	RG	Mack Sims
Bob Gaither	RT	Charles Robert
Michael Ford	RE	E. Carperter
H. Stephenson	QB	Louis Carter
David Clinton	HB	Leonard Day
Floyd Burks	HB	Wiley Trent
James Prather	FB	R. L. Simms

Score by periods:

Douglas	0	7	2	14	- 23
Douglass	0	0	0	0	- 0

Douglas subs: Kenneth Burks, Roland Bland, Kenneth Cary, James Carter, Alexander Thomas, James Nelson, Lawrence Curry, David Burks and Garland Williams.

Douglass subs: Guthrie Ashton, James Hughes Thomas Roberts, Howey Daye, Harry Lloyd, Thomas Thompson, James Simms, Perry Thomas, Samuel Thomas, Charles Carey, Charles Bryant and Landon Hall.

Official scorer: Tommy Washington.

Leesburg Host To Douglas 11 2 PM Tomorrow

11-16-54

Douglas will risk its five game win streak against Leesburg tomorrow afternoon as it makes its third trip of the season. The game is scheduled for 2 p.m. at Leesburg.

This season, the Bulldogs have scored a total of 139 points to a mere 12 for the opposition while winning all since the opening day loss to Cardozo, 6-0. This game will be the first meeting this season with Leesburg, but the Winchester team is expected to lengthen its streak.

Prather Big Gun

Big gun in the Douglas attack is James Prather, a husky fullback who simply blasts the line apart for yardage and always goes down facing forward for the extra yard or two. Masterminding the attack is a clever quarterback, Hubert Stephenson, a good passer and a heady player at deceiving the opposition.

One of the best scoring bets for the Bulldogs is End Michael Ford. He can out catch the opposition when the ball is thrown in a group, he can run, and he is a first class defender. Divid Clinton and Floyd Burks are both good ball handlers and can be counted on for yardage.

But the main strength of the Bulldogs is in the line and line backers. Two touchdowns have been scored against the Douglas eleven, but the one by Cardozo was the only one through the line.

Bulldog Hosts in Homecoming.

11-18-54

Douglas Aiming for 7th Straight In Season's Finale With Leesburg

Douglas High School's vaunted Bulldogs will be shooting for their seventh straight win of the season at 2 p.m. tomorrow against Douglass of Leesburg, a school over which they already own a 23-0 win.

On that basis, and playing at home as well, the Bulldogs look like a cinch for the win, but twice before when they became overconfident they got into hot water. The biggest fault with overconfidence against them has been the pass defense. It cost the Bulldogs a touchdown in the 40-6 win over Carver, and it meant considerable yardage in other games.

Championship Style

Other than that, Douglas has been rolling along in the same style that carried it unmolested to the Tri-State championship in 1953. Its lone loss was its opener, 6-0, to Cardozo of Washington, a non-league opponent. That score, and the TD by Carver, are the only dents in the perfect record of Douglas.

Tomorrow's game will end the season for the Bulldogs. They had hoped to work out a game next week with Armstrong High of Washington, but the date fell through. Armstrong is in the same class with Cardozo.

As an added incentive, tomorrow afternoon will be Homecoming Day, Miss Rebecca Robinson will be crowned queen in halftime ceremonies and the Gibson Drum and Bugle Corps will entertain. The rest of the program will be announced at the game.

No Sympathy

Last week, when the Bulldogs trounced Douglass on its home field at Leesburg it was Homecoming for the Loudoun County school, but the Winchester Douglas didn't have much sympathy for the occasion. Big men in the offense were James Prather, the hard driving fullback; the passing combination of Quarterback Hubert Stephenson to End Michael Ford, and the running of Halfback Floyd Burks. Each scored a touchdown, except Stephenson. Prather added a pair of extra points, David Clinton had one, and James Stephenson tackled Harry Lloyd behind the goal to rack up two points with a safety.

Passing Was Threat

The Douglass offense was outcharged so hard by the Douglas line that it never had much time getting out of its own backyard. The passing was a small threat to the Bulldogs, but it never put them in a hole.

So far this season, Douglas has run up a total of 159 points to the 12 for the opposition, and tomorrow's game ends the season.

LINE-UPS

Douglass	Pos.	Douglas
Trammel	LE	Carter
Jackson	LT	Payton
Garmes	LG	J. Stephenson
Randolph	C	D. Stephenson
Sims	RG	Walker
Robert	RT	Gaither
Carperter	RE	Ford
Carter	QB	H. Stephenson
Day	HB	Clinton
Trent	HB	Burke
Simms	FB	Prather

1954 – 1955
Douglas Basketball
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Dec	17	Andrew Jackson – Luray, VA	92	5
Jan	13	Lucy Sims – Harrisonburg, VA	56	37
	14	Carver – Rockville, MD	50	39
	18	Lincoln – Frederick, MD	60	77
	20	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	52	31
	25	Ramer – Martinsburg, WV	39	47
Feb	8	Douglas – Leesburg, VA	58	33
	10	Lincoln – Frederick, MD	38	55
	15	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	63	41
	19	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	68	61
	21	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	71	38
	22	North Street – Hagerstown, MD	52	78
		Andrew Jackson – Luray, VA	49	10
	25	Ramer – Martinsburg, WV	87	19
	28	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	56	45
Mar	2	North Street – Hagerstown, MD	61	66
		DISTRICT TOURNAMENT		
		Andrew Jackson – Luray, VA	102	9
		Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	50	39
		STATE TOURNAMENT		
		Pocahontas	40	49
		TRI-STATE		
		Douglass, Leesburg, VA	72	62
		North Street – Hagerstown, MD	61	92
		Lincoln – Frederick, MD	65	82

Points: Douglas - 1342
Opponents - 1015



Douglas High School 1954-1955 basketball team. Front row, left to right: Robert Burks, Dabney Stephenson w/trophy, James Prather w/basketball, Beverly Gaskins; second row, left to right: John Carter, Hubert Stephenson, Michael Ford, Coach Edwin K. Barksdale. (555-77c)

Douglas Host To Luray Five In First Game

12-15-54

Douglas High opens its basketball season tomorrow night with a home game against Andrew Jackson High of Luray. The varsity will get underway immediately following a girls game at 8 o'clock.

The Bulldogs have two starting fives with an 11th man who can work in with each unit. He's Dabney Stepheson, fourth high man from last season and a sure shot producer this year if he can work in on a regular basis.

The first starting five for Coach Edwin Barksdale will be composed of James Prather, Bob Burks, John Carter, Hubert Stephenson and Beverly Gaskins. The second five will be: James Stephenson, Lawrence Curry, Floyd Burks, Michael Ford and Robert Gaither.

Coach Barksdale has a sleeper in the race in Gaskins, as the lad was injured lat season and unable to live up to expertations. He could easily be top man this year.

Other Stars

Right along with him will be several high man back this season the number one man last year, Hubert Stephenson; the number three man, Robert Burks, and the number five man, Ford. Stephenson scored over 140 points and Burks made 102.

Andrew Jackson, which is coached by Kirk N. Gaskins, Jr., son of the Douglas principal, has played one game, a 20-point loss to strong Waynesboro. The coach, incidentally, is Beverly's brother, but it won't do much good tomorrow.

The game will mark Douglas' first time in the Group III, Division III Virginia Interscholastic Association, the other members of which are: Harrisonburg, Berryburg. The winner of this district ville, Luray and Douglas of Leeswill go to Virginia State College in March to compete against other Group III teams and Group II teams for the state championship. Right now, Harrisonburg, which is scoring at a pace of not less then 70 points a game seems to be the favorite.

This year, Douglas has a junior varsity squad and a midget squad in addition to the girls and the varsity squads.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1954

Douglas Slaughters Luray, 92-5, in Basketball Opener

Six Bulldogs Score Double Figures in Win

The Douglas High two-platoon basketball system paid off in big dividends last night on the home court as the Bulldogs slaughtered Andrew Jackson of Luray, 92-5.

The 87-point advantage could easily be an all-time record here and is by far the most lopsided total this season by any school within many miles of Winchester. The combination of Douglas' experience and depth and the greenness of the opposition was too much to make it a game but Coach Kirk Gaskins' Luray lads were in there trying all the way.

23-0 End of Quarter

At the end of the first quarter the score was 23-0, and Coach Edwin Barksdale removed his first starting five in favor of his second line of equal strength. At the half it was 40-1 with one free shot by W. Parker coming early in the period. Parker added a pair of free tosses in the second half to make three of his team's points, but the one goal was made by D. Haines with two seconds left in the third quarter.

After the first unit accounted for 23 points, the second unit racked up 17 before the half ended. In the second half, each unit made 26 points.

The 200 fans who turned out for the Douglas opener were never disappointed in last night's game as far as the home team was concerned. Six of the players hit in double figures, three from each unit.

Prather Leads Parade

Leading the parade was James Prather with 17 points on eight field goals and a free toss. The husky football fullback was a dead shot on lay-ups, while his slender forward partner, Beverly Gaskins, was second high with eight field goals from many different spots on the floor.

John Carter hit five times from the floor for 10 points to finish up the two-figure men in the first unit, and Michael Ford, James Stephenson and Jimmy Lewis each had five goals for the other unit. Ford had a slight advantage in the race with one free toss completed. Lewis made his five goals in the fourth period to send the Bulldogs zooming over the 90 mark.

Cleanly Fought

No member of the Douglas squad was charged with more than one foul in the cleanly fought game, but Luray's Bundy did foul out of action in the third quarter. There were seven other Luray fouls besides his and a total of eight for Winchester.

In the opening game last night, the Douglas girls defeated the Luray girls, 35-10.

The next varsity game will be with the Alumni on January 6, with a game between two teams of Douglas girls scheduled first at 7:30 o'clock.

Andrew Jackson—	G	F	T
Mitchell	0	0-0	0
Veney, R.	0	0-0	0
Frye	0	0-0	0
Haines, D.	1	0-0	2
Bundy, F.	0	0-0	0
Haines, J.	0	0-0	0
Parker	0	3-5	3
Bundy, W.	0	0-2	0
Tutt	0	0-2	0
Haines, E.	0	0-0	0
Hall	0	0-0	0
Veney, E.	0	0-1	0
Taylor	0	0-0	0
Totals	1	3-10	5

Douglas—	G	F	T
Prather	8	1-2	17
Gaskins	8	0-1	16
Carter	5	0-4	10
H. Stephenson	1	0-2	2
D. Stephenson	1	2-2	4
Ford	5	1-3	11
Burks	1	2-4	4
J. Stephenson	5	0-0	10
Gaither	4	0-0	8
Curry	0	0-0	0
Lewis	5	0-0	10
Totals	43	6-18	92

Score by Periods:

Totals		43	6-18	92
Luray	0	1	2	2—5
Douglas	23	17	26	26—92

Timer, David Clinton.
Scorer, Jimmy Walker.

Bulldogs Hosts To Lucy Simms Of Harrisonburg

1-13-55

The Douglas Bulldogs take on their second basketball opponent tonight in a league game on their home court when they face Lucy Simms High School of Harrisonburg. The visitors are rated in the top half of the Tri-State League with the Bulldogs, but the Winchester five remains a strong favorite on the basis of their opening game, 92-5, win over Luray.

Coach Edwin Barksdale has a two-unit team, switching the units quarter by quarter without too much difference between the two. High scorers so far are: James Prather, 17; Beverley Gaskins, 16; Michael Ford, 11; and James Stephenson and Jimmy Lewis with 10 each. That doesn't point out others who might well take over the lead with a little more game time. Floyd Burks and Dabney Stephenson are two of those.

A girls game will open the evening at 8 o'clock with the varsity contest to follow about 9 o'clock.

56-37 Victory

Douglas Trips Harrisonburg In Loop Game

1-14-55

Douglas ran into its toughest competition so far last night, as Harrisonburg held the Bulldogs the visiting Simms High five of to a 56-37 win in a Tri-State League match.

Although the Bulldogs led all the way, it was a close game in the middle two quarters with the visitors cutting the lead to six points by the end of the third, 34-28. Then in the final period, with the action beginning to tell on Simms, the Douglas players pulled far out in front to win going away.

Coach Edwin Barkasdale had to stick with his starting unit most of the way last night instead of splitting the team in two and sending a separate unit in for alternate quarters.

Carter Stars

John Carter was the main difference, as he controlled both backboards well and came through with 13 points on five field goals and three free shots. James Prather was right behind him in the scoring with six field goals, most of them clever lay-up shots with as many as two men following him under the basket. The other double figure man for the Bulldogs was Robert Burks with two field goals and a six-out-of-eight free shot performance for 10 points.

Lucy Simms had two men in the double figures: R. Washington with five and four for 14, and C. Washington with five field goals for 10 points. In the second half, R. Washington, who has been scoring in the high 20's every game, came through with 10 points to bolster his poor first half show.

Speed Counts

Speed was the keynote of last night's game as both teams capi- [illegible] height. In the fourth quarter, Michael Ford fouled out for Douglas, while both Washingtons and Tolliver fouled out for Simms. When Simms, which is a fancy-shot type team, began to miss on their long ones the Bulldogs took advantage of the rebounds to widen their margin.

In a thrilling opener, the Douglas girls lost, 31-28, to the Simms girls. Sarah Blakey of Simms was high with 17, while Janet Lewis had 14 for Douglas.

Tonight, the Bulldogs are at Rockville, Md., for a varsity-junior varsity doubleheader with Carver High.

SIMMS	G	R	T
R. Washington	5	4	14
Blakey	0	0	0
C. Washington	5	0	10
Mason	0	1	1
Whitelow	1	0	2
Vaney	2	0	4
Tolliver	1	0	2
Lex	0	0	0
Holly	0	4	4
Mitchell	0	0	0
TOTALS	14	9	[illegible]

DOUGLAS	G	F	T
Prather	6	0	12
R. Burks	2	6	10
Carter	5	3	13
D. Stephenson	3	0	6
H. Stephenson	2	5	9
Ford	1	0	2
F. Burks	1	0	2
Gaskins	0	0	0
Gaither	0	0	0
J. Stephenson	1	0	2
Lewis	0	0	0
TOTALS	21	14	[illegible]

Score by periods:

Simms	4	16	28	37
Douglas	15	24	34	[illegible]

Referee: Adams Craven, Charles Town.

Scorer: Tommy Washington

Douglas Wins Fourth, 50-39 Over Rockville

1-15-55

Douglas won its fourth straight game of the season last night with a 50-39 score over Carver High of Rockville on the Marylanders' court.

Starting with a rush, the Bulldogs piled up an early 17-point lead and then coasted home. During the coasting, the hosts nearly went right by them, coming to the fourth quarter.

Evidently frightened enough to play ball again, the Bulldogs got together long enough to win going away by 11 points.

In the first quarter, Douglas scored 12 points to two with Robert Burks, John Carter and Hubert Stephenson showing the way, and the same three paced the Bulldogs to a 30-13 halftime score.

Zone Stops Douglas

From then on, the visitors faded until the final rally. The third quarter was the worst of the game for the Bulldogs who ran into a brand new zone defense by Carver and were stopped cold. In the first two quarters the hosts were being murdered with the employment of the man-to-man defense. It wasn't used in the final half.

One of the Douglas big-guns was strangely silent last night. James Prather connected for a first half basket and then went on a missing spree. His 14.5 average took a thumping with the two-point production, but he had some company.

John Carter, who has been racking them in at an 11.5 clip, helped his average with a 20-point performance, while Hubert Stephenson and Robert Burks had 11 points apiece. James Johnson was high for Rockville with 14 points, the only double figure man for the hosts.

The next game for the Bulldogs will be at Lincoln High of Frederick, Md., on Tuesday, January 18. That's where they are expected to met their toughest competition.

DOUGLAS	G	F	T
Prather	1	0	2
R. Burks	5	1	11
Carter	10	0	20
D. Stephenson	1	0	2
H. Stephenson	4	3	11
Ford	0	0	0
Gaskins	1	0	2
J. Stephenson	1	0	2
Total	23	4	50

CARVER	G	F	T
J. Johnson	5	4	14
Francis	2	2	6
Herbert	1	0	2
Kyle	0	0	0
Boyd	0	0	0
Harriday	1	0	2
Owens	1	0	2
Frazier	0	0	0
Isreal	3	2	8
Dove	0	2	2
Jackson	1	1	3
Total	14	11	39

Score by periods:

Douglas	12	30	37	50
Carver	2	13	28	39

Scorer James Carter

Lincoln Defeats Douglas, 77-60; Burks Scores 21

1-19-55

Douglas High lost its first athletic event since September 24 last night, dropping a 77-60 count to powerful Lincoln High at Frederick, Md.

The game, which broke wide open in the second and third quarters, reached its worst point for the Bulldogs going into the fourth, when they held a 25-point deficit. By the four-minute warning buzzer, they had shortened that gap to eight points, but the steam went out then and the hosts won in a walk.

Nearly A Rout

Although the Bulldoges had expected stiff competition from the taller opponents, they had not forseen such a route as nearly took place after the hosts held a 17-14 first quarter margin. In the second quarter, Lincoln collected 23 points to 13 and then made 23 to 11 in the third period. By the time Coach Edwin Barksdale's lads found the range and set up a defense, it was too late. The school year's only other loss was the 6-0 football decision to Cardoze of Washington.

[illegible] point honors last night with R. Snowden of Lincoln. Each had 21, but P. Carroll of Lincoln had 20 and F. Brown had 18 to top the work of John Carter with 13 and Dabney Stephenson with 10 of the Bulldogs. Carter fouled out for Douglas midway in the third quarter.

Page-Jackson Next

The next game for the Bulldogs will be Friday night with Page-Jackson of Charles Town coming in for the first of a two-game series. It will be a JV-Varsity twin bill.

In the first game last night, the Douglas JV's won 35-32, in a battle right down to the wire. Douglas led, 20-16 at the half but fell to pieces in the third quarter with a one-point performance. Going into the final period behind 21-26, the younger Bulldogs pulled it out of the fire with 14 points to six for the Lincoln juniors.

DOUGLAS	G	F	T
Prather	2	0-1	4
R. Burks	8	5-5	21
Carter	6	1-2	13
H. Stephenson	4	0-0	8
Ford	1	1-2	3
D. Stephenson	5	0-1	10
F. Burks	0	1-2	1
Totals	26	8-13	60

LINCOLN	G	F	T
J. Snowden	6	1-4	13
C. Bowie	0	0-0	0
R. Snowden	10	1-5	21
Ambush	0	0-0	0
P. Bowie	0	0-0	0
Brown	7	4-12	18
Carroll	9	2-3	20
Delanter	2	1-1	5
Thompson	0	0-0	0
Totals	34	9-25	7

Score by periods:

Douglas	14	27	38	60
Lincoln	17	40	63	77

Timer: Ambush
Scorer: Washington

Two-Platoon System

Douglas Wins Page-Jackson Game, 52-31

1-21-55

Douglas High trimmed Page-Jackson in a twin basketball bill last night on the Winchester quintet's court, but the JV's had to scrape deep for their win.

In the opener, the juniors squeezed past the visitors, 26-25, and then the varsity followed with a convincing 52-31 victory in the feature event.

Carter Starts Rally

Star of the varsity's win was John Carter, whose five first half field goals sent them off in the right direction. By the end of the first two quarters, it was 31-11 for Douglas and there wasn't much left. The Bulldogs had a 13-1 first period lead.

Using his two-platoon system right down the line, Coach Edwin Barksdale had just one man, Carter with 10, in the two-figure column. But the vistors' John Kemp was in long enough to find tht range for seven field goals and a free shot for a 15-point total and high individual honors. Nine men shared in the Douglas scoring to five for Charles Town.

Carter Has 13 Avg.

Carter, who has been scoring in the double figures each game, now has an average of slightly over 13 points a night, just ahead of Robert Burks' 12-point average.

The Bulldogs have a season record of five wins and a loss and have kept the opposition below the 40 mark in all but the 60-77 defeat by Lincoln High of Frederick. The opposition average per game for the six is 36.5, while the Bulldogs have averaged 59.5 points.

Next for Douglas is a Tuesday, January 25, game at Ramer High of Martinsburg, W. Va.

Page-Jackson	G	F	T
Baylor, M.	0	0-0	0
Beanton	0	2-4	2
Berry	0	0-0	0
Brown	0	0-0	0
Branson	0	0-0	0
Baylor, A.	0	0-1	0
Butler	0	0-0	0
Johnson	2	3-8	7
Kemp	7	1-6	15
Rutherford	0	2-3	2
Steveson	2	1-2	5
Totals	11	9-24	31

Douglas	G	F	T
Prather	2	0-2	4
Burks, R.	2	3-6	7
Carter	5	0-1	10
H. Stephenson	4	0-1	8
Ford	1	1-2	3
J. Stephenson	2	0-0	4
F. Burks	0	0-0	0
D. Stephenson	4	0-0	8
Gaither	1	0-1	2
Lewis	3	0-0	6
Totals	24	4-13	52

Score by periods:

P. Jackson	1	11	23	31
Douglas	13	31	40	63

Officials: Fox and Stevens
Timer: David Clinton
Scorer: James Carter

Douglas Defeated By Ramer, 47-39 For Second Loss

1-26-55

Douglas was upset by Ramer High of Martinsburg, 47-39, last night on the West Virginians' court, as both teams found the range difficult.

It was the first time the Bulldogs had been held under 40 points, and only the second time an opponent had gone over that mark. Even against powerful Lincoln High of Frederick, the Bulldogs scored 60 points, although it was the other loss on their record. Against those two losses, the Bulldogs have five wins.

Brooks Scores 16

Leroy Brooks of the host club was high with 16 points on eight field goals. He had just one shot from the free throw line and he missed that. Paul Williams, his mate at the other forward position, scored 14 points on six field goals and a pair of free shots, the same total as made by Robert Burks of Douglas, who hit seven goals and missed his three foul tries.

Carter Has 11

John Carter scored 11 for the Bulldog visitors, while Douglas' Hubert Stephenson and Ramer's Herbert Mosley each had 10 points, the only other double figure men.

Ramer led on field goals, 19-16 and had a two-point edge on free throws, 9-7, but it had to come from behind in the second half to make that margin. The total of free shots and attempts was very low.

The Bulldogs are off now until February 8, when they meet Douglass of Leesburg, there.

Douglas	G	F	T
Prather	1	0-0	2
Burks, R.	7	0-3	14
Carter	4	3-7	11
Stephenson	4	2-3	10
Ford	0	1-2	1
Burks, F.	0	1-3	1
Gaither	0	0-0	0
Totals	16	7-18	39

Ramer	G	F	T
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Brooks	8	0-1	16
Bullett	3	1-4	7
Mosley	2	6-7	10
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bias	0	0-0	0
Green	0	0-0	0
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Totals 19 9-19 47

Douglas Bulldogs Defeated 56-52 At Harrisonburg

2-5-55

In a below-par exhibition, the Douglas Bulldogs dropped a 56-52 count to Simms High at Harrisonburg last night to fall into a tie with their hosts for the lead in the Virginia Interscholastic Association. The teams share 2-1 records.

The loss evened the series for Simms, as it had dropped a 56-37 game to the Bulldogs at Douglas in January. Right now it looks as if the two squads will tangle in the playoffs this March.

Host for Tourney

In the Tri-State League, the Bulldogs now have a record of 3-2 and are down to about fifth place. The Tri-State Tournament, for which the Bulldogs will be hosts, is scheduled for March 17-18,19. The playoff between Harrisonburg and Winchester will be on the armory floor of one or the other city in an attempt to pick a neutral court.

One man, Robert Washington, killed the Bulldogs last night. He poured in 11 field goals and 14 free throws for a terrific 33-point total. He even missed 10 other shots from the foul line, but it didn't make any difference as the hosts roared from behind after an all-Douglas first quarter.

Big Lead Shot

The Bulldogs, leading by a 16-5 margin after one period, found themselves behind, 25-21, at the half. That home town lead increased to 46-37 at the end of three, and a late rally for the Bulldogs fell short by four points.

Leading the Bulldogs was John Carter with nine field goals and three free throws for 21 points.

Douglas is at Leesburg next Tuesday night; entertains Lincoln of Frederick the following Thursday and then is host to Carver of Rockville on Friday night. That full week's schedule should make or break the Bulldogs as a contender in its two leagues.

Douglas	G	F	T
Prather	6	0-0	12
R. Burks	1	3-4	5
Carter	9	3-5	21
H. Stephenson	4	0-4	8
D. Stephenson	1	2-4	4
Ford	1	0-0	2
F. Burks	0	0-0	0
J. Stephenson	0	0-0	0
Gaither	0	0-0	0
Gaskins	0	0-0	0
Totals	22	8-17	52

Simms	G	F	T
C. Washington	5	0-4	10
R. Washington	11	11-21	33
Whitelow	4	0-4	8
Tolliver	0	0-1	0
Mason	0	0-0	0
Dickerson	0	2-3	2
Blakely	0	0-0	0
Veney	0	0-0	0
Lee	0	0-0	0
Mitchel	0	0-0	0
Winston	1	1-1	3
Totals	21	14-34	56

Score by periods:

Douglas	16	21	37	52
Simms	5	25	46	56

Varsity and JV's

Bulldogs Win Doubleheader At Leesburg

2-9-55

The Douglas Bulldogs won a twin bill last night at the expense of Leesburg's Douglass, the varsity taking the nightcap, 58-57, after the JV's took the opener, 36-29.

Both Douglas teams had to overcome halftime deficits to win, but both won going away once the tide turned in their favor. The varsity was down 21-23 at the half and the junior varsity down 18-16.

In the main game, John Carter, big gun of the Bulldogs all season, came through with 17 points, but this time he had some important help. It was from Robert Burks who connected for 19 points on five field goals and nine straight foul shots. He missed two in the beginning and then no more. Carter had eight goals and one free throw. High man for the visitors was Gufrie Ashton with 17 on seven goals and three free throws, the only other double figure score in the game.

Free Throws Help Hosts

At the end of the first quarter it was 15-11 in favor of Douglass as the Leesburg five counted heavily on free throws. They increased the lead to eight points at the half and seemed to be moving well over Carter and his mates. At that time, Carter was carrying the field goal load nearly by himself, having four and the rest of the team the same number.

Then the tide turned in the third period as Winchester's Douglas broke into the lead with a 24-point performance. This time, Burks put on the pressure with some help from Michael Ford and Floyd Burks.

Going into the final period, down by a 47-41 count, Leesburg just couldn't make any ground against Winchester until the shooting of Ashton closed the gap by one point.

Switched to Zone

Douglas used the man-for-man defense for one quarter and then abandoned it in favor of a zone as Coach Barksdale found it ineffective. Leesburg used the man-for-man until it was snowed under in the third period and then swung into the zone.

Leading the JV's to the opening game win was Kenneth Burks with 12 points and Walter Payton with 11. None of the hosts had a double figure score.

Thursday night the Bulldogs will be hosts to Frederick's Lincoln High for a twin bill, the girls playing the first game beginning at 8 o'clock. In their other meeting, Lincoln won, 77-60. It was the Bulldogs first loss of the season, while their record now is 6-3.

DOUGLAS	G	F	T
Prather	0	0-0	0
R. Burks	5	9-11	19
Carter	8	1-5	17
H. Stephenson	0	0-0	0
Ford	3	3-5	9
D. Stephenson	3	1-1	7
F. Burks	3	0-1	6
J. Stephenson	0	0-0	0
Gaskins	0	0-0	0
Gaither	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	22	14-28	58

Carter Has 20 Points

Lincoln High 55-38 Winner Over Douglas

2-11-55

Lincoln High of Frederick made it a clean sweep for the season over Douglas last night on the Bulldogs home court with a 55-38 score.

After a futile chase trying to compensate for the added height of the visitors, the Bulldogs settled down to a fast finish only to run into a surge of baskets by red-hot Phillip Carroll in the final quarter. Carroll, hitting from the right-hand side of the court like a mechanical man, racked up seven field goals in less than eight minutes.

Those 14 points, plus four other Lincoln goals, were just too much for Douglas, even though it was enjoying its best scoring stanza.

Carroll High with 22

Carroll ended up with the high score for the evening, 22 points on 11 field goals. Right behind him was Douglas' ace, John Carter, with 20 points on nine field goals and two out of three from the free throw line. Carter put on the steadiest performance of the game with never less than two field goals in any quarter.

Robert Burks was second in line for the hosts with a nine-point performance, but it wasn't up to the job turned in by Lincoln's second high man, James Snowden. He racked up eight field goals and finished with 16 points as he never had a free throw.

Not many fouls were called in the extremely fast moving game by Referee Louis Roberts of Leesburg, as Lincoln came up with just three points on eight tries and Douglas had four points on 12 attempts.

Just for the record, Lincoln is going to be a tough opponent for anyone to whip in the Tri-State Tournament scheduled for the Douglas gym, March 17-18-19. Its first win over the Bulldogs, on the Maryland school's court, was by a 77-60 count, the exact 17-point margin Lincoln collected last night.

Too Much Height

Lincoln's height, the deciding factor, was coupled with the best ball handling shown by a visiting team at Douglas this season. If the visitors had been willing to work the ball in for their shots instead of firing them from all over the court, the score might have been higher. For Douglas, it was just a case of not enough John Carters although it looked for awhile in the late moments of the first quarter like Robert Burks was going to pull the game out of the fire. He came through with three real fast field goals two from way out, to close Lincoln's early margin to one point. After that, one field goal in the second quarter was all he could muster.

Douglas Girls Lose

In the preliminary game, the Douglas girls lost a heartbreaker, 33-32, in the closing moment of play. It was strictly a case of too much Barbara Bowie, as the Lincoln forward poured in 28 points. Janet Lewis had 15 for Douglas and Audrey Curry had 10.

Tuesday night, the Bulldogs are hosts for Leesburg's Douglass.

DOUGLAS	G	F	T
D. Stephenson	0	0-0	0
R. Burks	4	1-4	9
Carter	9	2-3	20
H. Stephenson	1	0-1	2
Ford	1	0-1	2
Prather	0	0-0	0
F. Burks	2	1-2	5
J. Stephen	0	0-0	0
Payton	0	0-0	0
Gaither	0	0-0	0
Gaskins	0	0-0	0
Totals	17	4-12	38

Score by periods:

Lincoln	14	24	33	55
Douglas	10	18	23	38

Ace Scores 30 Points

Bulldogs Stop Leesburg Five Behind Carter

3-12-55

Douglas swept its season against Leesburg's Douglass last night with a convincing 63-41 win on the Winchester five's court. In their other meeting, Douglas won 58-53, at Leesburg in a much closer game.

Opening up a 19-8 margin at the end of the first quarter, the Bulldogs pulled steadily away behind the sharpshooting of John Carter who rang up 30 points. That was the high mark for the Winchester club this season, topping Carter's own record of 21 which he shared with Robert Burks.

Free Throws Missing

Strange part of the Bulldogs victory was their lack of foul shots. Although they connected with 30 field goals, the Bulldogs made good on just three free throws and all of those were by Hubert Stephenson, who used them well to become the second high man. He shared that honor on 11 points along with Paul Smith of the visitors. It was Smith, who didn't show in the first half, who came through in the final two periods with all of his points to keep the visitors in the game.

While Smith was scoring all of his points, Carter was coming through with 10 field goals and a 20-point second half. Most of his help in those periods came from James Prather, but it was Hubert Stephensn who assisted him in the first two quarters.

Seventh Win

The win was the seventh of the season for the Bulldogs out of 11 games and leaves them with a chance to finish well up in the Tri-State League if they can just do as much against their final seven opponents. Next on the schedule is a Friday night game at Charles Town against Page-Jackson. In their other game, Page-Jackson dropped a 52-31 game on the Winchester court.

The factor which best stopped the visitors last night was the man-for-man defense set up by the Bulldogs. It worked like a charm, much better than the zone set up by the visitors against the Douglas players.

DOUGLASS	G	F	T
Clark	1	0-1	2
Ashton	4	1-2	9
Jackson	1	0-2	2
J. Simms	0	5-6	5
Hatcher	0	2-4	2
J. Smith	2	1-3	5
P. Smith	5	1-4	11
Daniel	2	1-2	5
Roberts	0	0-2	0
M. Simms	0	0-0	0
Totals	15	11-26	41

DOUGLAS	G	F	T
Prather	4	0-0	8
D. Stephenson	2	0-0	4
Carter	15	0-4	30
H. Stephenson	4	3-6	11
Ford	3	0-1	6
Burks, R.	0	0-0	0
Burks, F.	0	0-0	0
Gaskins	1	0-2	2
Payton	1	0-0	2
Totals	30	3-11	63

Score by periods:

Douglass	8	14	27	41
Douglas	19	27	51	63

Timer: David Clinton

LINCOLN	G	F	T
J. Snowden	8	0-0	16
Hall	0	0-0	0
Bowie	0	0-0	0
R. Snowden	4	0-0	8
Ambush	0	0-0	0
Brown	2	1-3	5
Delanter	1	2-2	4
Carroll	11	0-1	22
Totals	26	3-8	55

Carter Scores 26

Douglas Defeats Johnson-Williams Quintet, 71-38

2-22-55

An experienced Douglas quintet had little trouble with Johnson-Williams of Berryville last night, winning 71-38 on the loser's court.

Leading the assault on the Johnson - Williams basket was John Carter, ace of the Bulldogs, with 26 points on 11 field goals and four free throws. B. Thornton and R. Wallace of the host five were next to Carter with 12 points apiece, while Hubert Stephenson and Beverley Gaskins each had 10 points for the winners.

The Douglas attack was spread over eight men as the Bulldogs opened a wide 19-2 margin in the opening quarter and continued to dominate play the rest of the way. At the half it was 36-17, then went to 52-29 at the end of three quarters and finshed with the Bulldogs a solid 33 points ahead.

9-4 Season Record

With the win, the Bulldogs jumped to a season record of nine and four, as they defeated Page-Jackson of Charles Town, 68-61, on Friday night. In that game, the top man for Douglas was the same John Carter, with a 21-point performance. The West Virginia hosts had five men in the double figures but couldn't match the brilliant Carter who received considerable help from a re-vitalized James Prather and Dabney Stephenson.

Tonight, Douglas is host to the North Street High of Hagerstown, Md., with the junior varsities getting the game underway at 8 o'clock.

DOUGLAS	G	F	T
Carter	11	4-6	26
D. Stephenson	2	0-0	4
Prather	3	3-4	9
H. Stephenson	3	4-8	10
Ford	0	0-1	0
Gaskins	2	6-7	10
Burks, F.	1	0-2	2
Burks, R.	1	4-5	8
Payton	1	0-1	2
Totals	25	21-34	71

JOHNSON - WILLIAMS	G	F	T
Thornton	6	0-2	12
A. Jones	0	0-1	0
Wallace	4	4-8	12
Smith	1	3-4	5
Lawson	0	0-2	0
R. Jones	0	0-0	0
F. Mason	0	0-0	0
Brown	0	0-0	0
L. Mason	3	3-6	9
Totals	14	10-23	38

Score at Half:
Douglas — 36-17

Official scorer:
David Clinton

DOUGLAS	G	F	T
Prather	5	2-4	12
D. Stephenson	4	2-4	10
Carter	9	3-6	21
Ford	2	0-0	
H. Stephenson	2	2-6	
F. Burks	1	0-1	2
Gaskins	1	0-0	2
Payton	1	0-0	2
R. Burks	3	0-0	6
Totals	29	19-24	68

Bulldogs Walloped 78-52 by North St. High of Hagerstown

2-23-55

Minus their coach and definitely down on their shooting, the Douglas Bulldogs dropped a 78-52 game to North Street High of Hagerstown last night.

Played at Douglas, the game was a close affair until the final half when the visitors sank 18 field goals to eight of their hosts. Even with the direction of Coach Edwin Barksdale, in bed because of an abscess, it is doubtful if the Bulldogs could have stopped the red hot Marylanders last night. On the basis of their performance, they will probably be rated the favorites when the post season Tri-State Tourney opens March 5 in the Douglas gym. In the opinion of the players, North Street is the best they have met this season on the tourney list.

H. Stephenson High

John Carter had to settle for second place last night among the Bulldog scorers as his 14 points were three under the performance of Hubert Stephenson. Carter had a mere two points until the final half, but the rest of the team cooled off then with the exception of Stephenson.

H. Cook was high for the visitors with 20 points on nine field goals and a pair of free tosses. Three other visitors hit in the double figures: J. Baltimore with 14, and S. Davis and G. Leslie with 12 each.

Friday night the Bulldogs play Ramer High of Martinsburg on the Douglas court, and then face a rugged schedule the first of next week before going into the tourney.

North Street	G	F	T
Lane	0	0-1	0
Monroe	0	0-0	0
Cook	9	2-4	20
Durkes	0	0-0	0
E. Davis	3	0-1	6
Evans	1	0-2	2
Baltimore	7	0-2	14
S. Davis	4	4-4	12
Burnett	3	0-0	6
Russ, F.	3	0-2	6
Leslie	5	2-5	12
Russ, E.	0	0-0	0
Totals	35	8-21	78

Douglas	G	F	T
Carter	5	4-6	14
D. Stephenson	3	2-3	8
Prather	1	0-1	2
H. Stephenson	8	1-2	17
Ford	4	0-1	8
Gaskins	0	3-3	3
F. Burks	1	0-2	2
R. Burks	0	0-1	0
Payton	0	0-0	0
Totals	21	10-19	52

Score at the half: North Street, 38-29

Scorer: J. Carter
Timer: D. Clinton

PAGE - JACKSON	G	F	
Baylor, M.	5	3-9	1
Braxton	4	2-4	1
Willis	6	4-8	1
Johnson	2	4-7	1
Rutherford	1	0-1	
Baylor, A.	3	4-7	1
Brannon	1	0-0	
Totals	23	15-31	61

Score by Periods:

Douglas	19	48	57	68
Page-Jackson	16	33	46	61

Official timer:
Jackson

Officials:
Roberts and Thomas

Carter Scores 46

Home Court Douglas Wins Doubleheader

2-25-55

Douglas upped its Tri-State League stock a long ways last night with a doubleheader win over Luray and Martinsburg.

In the opener, the host Bulldogs walloped Andrew Jackson of Luray, 48-16, and then they surprised Ramer High of Martinsburg, 87-19.

The Luray victory was no mystery, as the Bulldogs had handled it in even easier fashion in winning the opening game of the season, 92-5. But in slaughtering Ramer, the Bulldogs were reversing a 47-39 loss they suffered at the hands of the same team.

Game a Rout

Two factors combined to make the main game a rout. John Carter was really red hot, racking up 19 field goals and eight free throws, and the visitors found themselves in terrible trouble right from the start on fouls. The game was finally called in the last quarter with just three visitors left on the court after the fouls had taken their toll. They brought an eight-man squad and five fouled out, one of the top stars in the first quarter.

None of the visitors scored more than six points, while Beverley Gaskins and Robert Burks each had 11 for the hosts to make three men in the double figures. Dabney Stephenson had eight and James Prather had six.

Visitors Lead

Strangely enough, the visitors held a 9-5 lead at the end of the first quarter, but were behind 32-15 at the half. By the close of the third period, Douglas had run up a 56-19 margin and then romped to 31 more points before the towel came sailing onto the court.

With much of his second platoon in the first game, Coach Edwin Barksdale still couldn't keep the score down on the outmanned Luray five. It was, however, a much improved performance over the first game when Luray was held to a lone field goal and three free shots.

Luray	G	F	T
Frye	0	0-0	0
Taylor	0	0-0	0
Bundy	0	0-0	0
Tutt	3	1-2	7
Veney, R.	0	0-2	0
Veney, E.	0	0-0	0
Haines, R.	0	0-0	0
Haines, D.	0	1-1	1
Hall	0	0-0	0
Johnson	1	0-0	2
Totals	3	4-12	10

Douglas	F	F	T
Lewis	3	0-0	6
Long	0	1-4	1
Washington	1	0-0	2
Burks	0	0-1	0
Brown	2	0-1	4
Grimes	7	0-3	14
Curry	6	3-4	15
Cooke	2	3-8	7
Totals	21	7-18	49

Ramer	G	F	T
Williams	2	2-5	6
Brooks	1	0-1	2
Bullett	2	1-2	5
Mosby	2	0-3	4
Shanton	1	0-3	2
Wilson	0	0-2	0
Green	0	0-1	0
Ross	0	0-2	0
Totals	8	3-19	19

Douglas	G	F	T
Carter	19	8-22	46
D. Stephenson	3	2-3	8
Prather	2	2-3	6
H. Stephenson	0	3-6	3
Ford	0	0-3	0
Gaskins	4	3-3	11
F. Burks	1	0-1	2
R. Burks	4	3-5	11
Payton	0	0-3	0
Totals	33	21-49	87

Officials: Garber and Craven
Scorer: James Carter.

Douglas in Final Home Tilt Tonight Against Berryvile

2-28-55

Douglas High plays its last basketball home game of the season tonight against the Johnson-Williams High quintet of Berryville at 8 o'clock. There is no preliminary game.

The Bulldogs have a fine 11-5 record for the season and own a 71-38 victory over tonight's opponents, in a game played at Berryville.

Douglas Bulldogs Win, 56-45, Over Johnson-Williams

3-1-55

Douglas ran into a little more competition than it might have expected last night and had trouble defeating Johnson-Williams of Berryville, 56-45. Last night's visitors had a tougher time of it on their Berryville court, when the Bulldogs won, 71-38.

John Carter, who went wild last week with a 46 point performance against Ramer High of Martinsburg, was held to eight points last night by the greatly improved Clarke County quintet. James Prather, who started the season with a bang and then slowed down, was high man in this one with 13 points on six field goals and a free shot.

Gaskins Second

Beverley Gaskins, another man who started out just like Prather and slowed down the same way, was second man last night with 11 points on three field goals and five free tosses. He made all of his free throws and two of his baskets in the second half. Andrew Young of the visitors was even with Gaskins at 11 on five field goals and a lone foul shot.

The Bulldogs opened with a zone defense in the first quarter and finished the period with a four point advantage, 14-10. They then switched to a man-to-man the rest of the way. By the half, the hosts held a convincing 25-14 margin and were not ready for a third period scare thrown their way by Berryville.

Lead Cut to Five

In that quarter, the visitors came up to within five points of the Bulldogs and didn't lose much more ground in the final period as Winchester bore down. At the end of three, it was 40-35 for Douglas.

Tomorrow night, the Bulldogs travel to Hagerstown for a tough one with North Street High, the quintet which romped to a 78-52 win in their previous meeting at Douglas. This one will round out the regular schedule and open the way for the Tri-State Tournament at Douglas the end of this week.

Berryville	G	F	T
Thornton	3	1-4	7
Jones, R.	0	0-0	0
Mason, M.	4	0-3	8
Young	5	1-3	11
Smith	2	2-5	6
Brown	2	0-1	4
Wallace	2	2-6	6
Jones, A.	0	0-1	0
Mason, W.	0	3-5	3
Lawson	0	0-0	0
Banks	0	0-0	0
Totals	18	9-24	45

Douglas	G	F	T
Prather	6	1-5	13
D. Stephenson	3	1-3	7
Carter	4	0-4	8
H. Stephenson	1	6-6	8
Burks, R.	1	3-8	5
Gaskins	3	5-9	11
Burks, F.	0	1-1	1
Payton	0	0-0	0
Grimes	0	1-2	1
Curry	0	1-2	1
Cooke	0	0-0	0
Ford	0	1-3	1
Totals	18	20-43	56

Timers: D. Clinton
Scorer: J. Carter

Douglas Defeated By Hagerstown's North St., 66-61

3-3-55

North Street High of Hagerstown, Md., defeated Douglas, 66-61, last night on the victor's court to sweep its two-game series.

Even with the loss, the Bulldogs showed a vastly improved game over its previous, 78-52, loss to the same team on the Winchester court.

Hubert Stephenson of the Bulldogs was the lone man in the 20s as he just got over the hump by one point with seven field goals and seven free shots. Robert Burks was next for Douglas with 15 points while usually high scoring John Carter had to settle for a 12-point third place.

High for the host club were: J. Baltimore and S. Davis with 17 points apiece, and H. Cook with 14 points.

Missed Too Many

Douglas missed enough shots from the free-throw line to have made the win with ease. While North Street was packing away 12 out of 16 tries, Douglas was hitting only 13 in 27 attempts. The 14-plus free throw tries would have made up easily the three field goal margin the Hagerstown five had at 27-24.

At the end of the first quarter, it was 18-12 for the hosts and they stayed ahead the rest of the way with a halftime lead of 34-23; 48-41 at the end of three periods and enough of a gap to coast ahead of the late rallying Bulldogs in the final quarter.

In the junior varsity preliminary, Hagerstown won, 55-30, with Dougals' Arthur Lewis second to the hosts' E. Monroe 12 to 20. The two games wound up the regular season for the Bulldogs who open the Tri-State tourney this week.

DOUGLAS	G	F	T
D. Stephenson	4	1-4	9
R. Burks	6	3-5	15
Carter	6	0-3	12
Ford	0	0-1	0
H. Stephenson	7	7-10	12
Gaskins	1	2-3	4
Totals	24	13-27	61

NORTH ST.	G	F	T
Lane	1	0-0	2
Monroe	0	0-0	0
Cook	6	2-2	14
Davis, E.	0	0-0	0
Doakes	2	0-0	4
Evans	0	0-0	0
Baltimore	7	3-3	17
Davis, S.	5	7-8	17
Bulnett	0	0-0	0
Russ	3	0-1	6
Leslie	0	0-0	0
Russ	3	0-0	6
Totals	27	12-16	66

Officials: Davis and Harvey
Scorer: Mrs. Rosalie Barksdale

Go to State Tourney

3-7-55

Douglas Bulldogs Win District 3 Championship at Harrisonburg

In a one-day basketball tournament at Harrisonburg Saturday, Douglas High captured the Virginia Interscholastic Association crown for District 3, Group III. The Bulldogs won their semi-final opener, 102-9, over Luray's Andrew Jackson and then took the final, 50-39 from Harrisonburg's Lucy Simms.

With the handsome gold trophy and the title, the Bulldogs now have the right to represent the district in the Group III State Championships at Virginia State College on March 11 and 12. Harrisonburg, as runner-up in Saturday's tournament, will also go to State College.

In the semi-final, Harrisonburg defeated Johnson-Williams of Berryville, 45-35.

Carter Scores 42 Points

Star of the Bulldogs was John Carter, high scorer for the season and a 22 point man against Luray before being a 20 pointer against Harrisonburg. Robert Burks, who has had some very good games during the season, although his average is well below Carter's, came up with the highest total in the first game with 25 points. He was a 15 pointer in the final game. Robert Washington, the man who gave the Bulldogs the most trouble during regular season games, was high for Harrisonburg with 16 points. His brother, Curtis, had 11 points.

Argument Hurt Luray

In the Luray game, the losers were off on the wrong foot by refusing to wear contrasting shirts, although they had blue and gold as compared to the blue of the Bulldogs. With both teams wearing blue, Coach Edwin Barksdale instructed his players to hold down on the passing and stick to shooting. It was certainly a successful method, as the Bulldogs ran up a total of 44 field goals and 14 free shots while being charged with just one personal foul and allowing only four-field goals. The result was the highest score of the year for the Douglas quint and sent five men soaring into double figures.

Different Story

The nightcap was a different story all the way. At the six-minute to go mark, the Bulldogs held a 39-32 lead with the host club pressing strong. Then the Winchester lads opened up with a pair of fast baskets and were never threatened again.

Hubert Stephenson and Michael Ford were the big men on the backboards in the Harrisonburg game, while the entire team bottled up Luray in the first game. Almost every time a Luray player took the ball, Winchester stole it.

Douglas	G	F	T
Prather	6	5	17
R Burks	11	3	25
Carter	0	2	22
D. Stephenson	7	3	17
H. Stephenson	2	0	4
Ford	0	0	0
Gaskins	8	1	17
F. Burks	0	0	0
Totals	44	14	102

Douglas	G	F	T
Prather	0	0	0
D Stephenson	3	2	8
Carter	10	0	20
R. Burks	7	1	15
H. Stephenson	2	1	5
Ford	0	2	2
Gaskins	0	0	0
Burks	0	0	0
Totals	23	6	50

Harrisonburg	G	F	T
C Washington	5	1	11
R. Washington	5	6	16
Whitelow	3	1	7
Toliver	0	0	0
Winston	0	0	0
Lee	0	0	0
Mitchell	0	0	0
Dixon	1	3	5
Mason	0	0	0
Veney	0	0	0
Totals	14	11	39

Officials: Caul and Tuckson

Scorer: Rosalie Barksdale

Timer: Ewell

Douglas Bulldogs Favored to Take District Tourney

3-4-55

The Douglas Bulldogs leave for the Virginia Interscholastic Association Basketball Tournament tomorrow morning with an excellent chance of returning to Winchester with the first place trophy.

Played at Harrisonburg Saturday afternoon and evening, the tournament will be composed of four teams: Berryville, Harrisonburg, Luray and Winchester. Douglas and Harrisonburg have 5-1 records; Berryville has a 2-4 mark and Luray is winless in six games. In the draw, Douglas is expected to meet Luray first, having won the flip from Harrisonburg, which it will probably meet in the finals.

The winner and the runner-up go to the Group III State Championships at Virginia State College on March 11 and 12. The Harrisonburg tourney is for District 3 of Group III.

Ten men will make the trip with Coach Edwin Barksdale and Douglas Custodian Roy Denny. They are: Dabney Stephenson, Robert Burks, John Carter, Michael Ford, Hubert Stephenson, James Prather, Floyd Burks, Bev Gaskins, Walter Payton and Arthur Lewis, Jr.

Bulldogs Entered In Virginia State Group III Tourney

3-9-55

The Douglas Bulldogs are shooting for the Group III state basketball championship this weekend at Virginia State College, Petersburg.

They earned the right to the tourney berth by tripping Harrisonburg, 50-39 last Saturday, there, for the District 3 title and trophy. The Lucy Simms runner-up club will go to the tourney along with Douglas. Berryville's Johnson-Williams and Luray's Andrew Jackson were eliminated in the semi-finals.

Coach Edwin Barksdale will take the same men who made the Harrisonburg trip: Dabney Stephenson, Robert Burks, John Carter, Michael Ford, Hubert Stephenson, James Prather, Floyd Burks, Bev Gaskins, Walter Payton and Arthur Lewis, Jr. The squad will leave by cars on Friday morning at 7:45.

In the first round, Friday night, Douglas meets Pocahontas High of Powhatan. Then, the winner tangles in the semi finals on Saturday afternoon at 2:15 with the finals Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Douglas did not run into any Group III opponents it may meet at Petersburg, so there is no basis for comparison.

Leading the Bulldogs will be their high scoring ace, John Carter. He has gone well over the 300 point mark in regular season and tournament play so far, with his top performance being a 46 point effort against Martinsburg. In only one game has Carter dropped out of the double figure class this season. The Bulldogs have a 14-6 record.

Pocahontas Wins, 49-40

Douglas Dropped In Opening Round Of State Tourney

3-12-55

Disappointment hit the Douglas Bulldogs early in their quest for state honors in Group III basketball last night at Petersburg. It came in the form of a 49-40 defeat at the hands of Pocahontas of Powatan and ended the Winchester school's expected three-day trip all too soon.

Strictly down for the big game, the Bulldogs started out behind their Powatan opponents and stayed that way the distance. At the intermission, Douglas left the Virginia State College court suffering with a 24-15 deficit.

Fouls End Rally

During the final two quarters, when they should have been pouring it on to pass the Indians, the Bulldogs just managed to split even. And in the closing moments, when a rally was in progress, Hubert and Dabney Stephenson and Michael Ford fouled out of action.

High scoring John Carter hit a brand new low record of five points, but he had plenty of company. Only James Prather, a pressure player, managed to hit double figures for the Bulldogs as he connected for 12 points. Robert Burks was next for the losers with nine points, while Hubert Stephenson had eight.

Just For The Ride

The rest of the Bulldogs were under Carter. Dabney Stephenson, Beverley Gaskins and Ford each had two points, but Floyd Burks, Arthur Lewis, Jr. and Walter Payton just went along for the ride as far as points were concerned.

High man for the winning Indians was Nelvin Allen with 15 points. His mates, Leon Morris and Kenneth Hobson, were right behind with 12-point productions, while Bernard Morris followed his brother with a 7-point mark. Frank Goode wound up the Indians' scoring with three points.

More Hustle

The story last night was all in a better hustling Pocahontas quintet. The Bulldogs, who won their District 3 title to earn this state shot, "simply didn't have it last night", according to Coach Edwin Barksdale.

Most of the difference in scoring was from the foul line, where the Bulldogs have been the poorest all season. They made five out of 13 tries, but the Indians made 12 out of 31. It wasn't good for either, but the seven points there would have made it a two point margin if evened up.

Next weekend the Bulldogs are hosts for the Tri-State Tournament, and they will be definite underdogs on the basis of last night's performance.

Douglas, Piedmont Win Opening Games in Tri-State Tournament

John Carter, Robert Burks Lead Bulldogs

3-18-55

By CHARLIE TAIT

The Tri-State Colored Basketball Tournament opened at the National Guard Armory last night with two top flight games, a ballet performance and promise of a rousing time tonight and tomorrow night.

Over 400 fans were on hand to cheer home their hopefuls with even more expected tonight as two high-powered Maryland teams swing into action for the first time.

Two Eliminated

In last night's quarterfinal round, Ramar High of Martinsburg was eliminated, 74-56, by Howard High of Piedmont, and Douglass High of Leesburg was dropped, 72-62, by the host Douglas quint of Winchester.

Tonight's semifinal opener pairs Howard with Lincoln High of Frederick, Md., at 7:30 o'clock, and Douglas against North Street High of Hagerstown in the 9:15 nightcap. Howard, which has won three tournament championships under the direction of Coach Robert Vaughn of Bluefield State College, will have its work cut out for it against Lincoln, and Douglas is strictly the underdog against North Street. It could be an all-Maryland final on Saturday night.

Runaway at End

In the opener last night, Piedmont stayed three or four points ahead of Ramer most of the way before swinging into a 12-point margin early in the final period. A rally by Ramer lowered the gap to six points midway in the quarter, but the Martinsburg players fan out of gas at that point. From then on they failed to get a rebound as the fast-finishing Lincolnites poured it on to win by 18 points. Leading the scoring were Bullett of Ramer and Lester of Howard with 21 points each. Ramer fared better from the free-throw line with 18 for 29 as compared to the 10 for 19 made by Howard, but it was 13 field goals down.

During the intermission between games, the large crowd was entertained by Miss Effie McKinney Davis' ballet dancers from the Douglas Elementary School. The same group will perform between games tonight.

In the nightcap, both teams opened fast with the Bulldogs of Douglas holding a slight edge. A key pass from Dabney Stephenson under the basket to John Carter produced two points and sent the hosts of to a 16-point lead late in the first quarter, and the Bulldogs stayed ahead the rest of the way.

Burks, Carter Lead

Pouring the score on in the opening rally were Robert Burks and Carter. Burks contributed four field goals, then made two more in the next quarter and wound up with five in the last period to take top honors of 26 points for the night. Carter, with three goals in the first period, finished with 17 points, tied with Willard Clark of Leesburg but a notch behind James Smith of the visitors.

The combination of Hubert and Dabney Stephenson handling and stealing the ball; Robert Burks shooting it in from anywhere on the court, and Carter's accuracy under the basket was too much for Leesburg. At one point in the final quarter the hosts led by 20 points but Coach Edwin Barksdale substituted then and the margin dropped.

Played It Safe

In the first half, James Prather went in for a few moments, but other than his brief appearance, the rest of the subs rode the bench until Douglas was assured of the win.

In the second quarter, Douglas hit the best percentage it has enjoyed all season against a veteran opponent, putting the ball through the hoop at 75 per cent. Burks, who had a poor third quarter, still managed to finish with the best mark of the night, over 50 per cent. His five field goals in the final quarter were from 25 to 40 feet out and from five different angles. Each one was a net swisher and three were in succession.

DOUGLASS (Lee.)	G	F	T
Ashton	0	0-1	0
Clark	8	1-3	17
Daniel	4	0-0	8
J. Smith	1	0-0	2
P. Smith	8	2-5	18
Jackson	6	1-2	13
Hatcher	1	0-4	2
Simms	1	0-2	2
Totals	29	4-17	62

DOUGLAS (Win.)	G	F	T
D. Stephenson	5	2-5	12
R. Burks	11	4-4	26
Carter	5	7-9	17
Ford	1	3-7	5
H. Stephenson	4	1-3	9
Prather	0	0-0	0
Gaskins	1	0-2	2
F. Burks	0	1-2	1
Totals	27	18-32	72

Score by Periods:

Leesburg	13	30	38	62
Winchester	20	43	56	72

Officials:
Garber and Seldon

Scorers:
Bartlett and Clinton

Timer:
J. Carter

Carter Plays With Fracture

Hagerstown, Piedmont to Tangle In Tri-State Tournament Finale

3-19-55

Tonight's opponents in the finals of the Tri-State Basketball Tournament at the National Guard Armory will be North Street High of Hagerstown and Howard High of Piedmont.

North Street defeated Douglas of Winchester, the host club, 92-61, in the nightcap last night after Howard edged Lincoln of Frederick, 63-58. The losers will meet tonight at 6 o'clock in the consolation game, with the championship match to follow about 7:30. A dance will follow the game and trophies will be awarded.

Thriller All The Way

The first game was a thriller all the way with Piedmont defending its title in real championship style. Frederick held a 26-22 advantage at the half, but Howard moved into a 39-37 lead at the end of three quarters and held it the rest of the way. With two minutes to go, Piedmont held a two-point lead, but the gap widened to six points as time ran out. A foul by Piedmont just before the buzzer was ignored by the fans and players alike as they poured onto the floor. Four minutes after the game had officially ended, R. Snowden made one of the two shots good to wind up the scoring at 63-58. It was the best game of the tourney, to date.

John Carter and Fouls

Douglas, crippled badly by one injury and a long foul list, was no match for the red hot Hagerstown quint. Ace John Carter, playing with his right hand little finger in a metal brace, couldn't hold the ball on passes and his shots had little accuracy. The injury was a fracture, sustained just before the Thursday night game against Leesburg in practice. He scored 17 points in that one with the break untreated.

Midway in the second quarter, Robert Burks and Hubert Stephenson, two key men, were charged with four fouls, but they weren't the first to go. Michael Ford left early in the fourth and Hubert was a few moments behind him.

Burk Has 21

Hagerstown had three men in the 20's, S. Davis, Cook and Baltimore, while Burks was tops for the locals with 21. Dabney Stephenson had 15 points and Hubert Stephenson had 14.

In the first quarter, Hagerstown held a 9-7 lead in what appeared to be the making of a tight game before the dam broke. Then, before the Bulldogs could get another point, it was 26-7 and the quarter was over. They ran into another cold streak like that in the fourth quarter when it was 59-40 in favor of North Street. Before the Bulldogs could get a point that time it was 75-40, taking away all hope of a rally for the same upset that Douglas pulled last year.

Upset Hagerstown

In the 1954 tournament, at Carver High of Rockville, Douglas eliminated Hagerstown after losing twice to it during the regular season. Piedmont defeated Winchester to take the championship that year.

The championship tournament, best ever put on by Douglas, is drawing well over 400 fans a night and promises to hit the 600 mark for tonight's games and dance combination. The Solid Senders of Front Royal will furnish the music.

HAGERSTOWN	G	F	T
S. Davis	11	2-3	24
Cook	11	3-6	25
Baltimore	5	10-16	20
Leslie	3	3-5	9
Burnett	4	0-2	8
Russ	2	2-4	6
E. Davis	0	0-0	0
Totals	36	20-36	92

WINCHESTER	G	F	T
D. Stephenson	6	3-5	15
R. Burks	10	1-3	21
Carter	1	1-2	3
Ford	3	0-1	6
H. Stephen	6	2-5	14
Prather	1	0-0	2
Gaskins	0	0-0	0
F. Burks	0	0-0	0
Totals	27	7-16	61

Score by Periods:				
North St.	26	49	71	92
Douglas	7	28	40	61

Officials:
Garber and Seldon

Scorers.
Bartlett and Clinton

Timer:
Ja. Carter

Burks on All-Stars

Tri-State Basketball Tourney Won by Hagerstown's North St.

3-21-55

Before a packed Armory crowd of over 600 fans, North Street High of Leesburg Thursday night State Colored Basketball championship Saturday night, defeating Howard High of Piedmont, 82-69. Howard was the defending champion.

In the Consolation game opening the evening's doubleheader, Lincoln High of Frederick took third place with an 82-65 victory over the host quintet, Douglas High of Winchester.

Douglas Won One

Douglas eliminated Douglass High of Leesburg Thursday night after Ramer High of Martinsburg was ousted by Howard. Then in the Friday night semifinals, North Street toppled Douglas and Howard defeated Lincoln.

The Saturday night consolation was a case of too much Lincoln talent for the Bulldogs who were without the services of their key man, John Carter. Carter, who played the first two games with a broken finger, had a cast up to his elbow for the final game and never left the bench.

Wasted Talent

Lincoln had more talent than any team in the tourney, but it turned out to be a collection of individuals instead of a coordinated unit. That trouble cost them the game against Piedmont and put them in hot water against Douglas. The Bulldogs, led by Robert Burks for the third straight time, were just seven points down at the end of three quarters and were turning in the best percentage from the floor. At the half, the visitors held a mere one point lead at 39-38. With P. Carroll sinking the ball from every angle in the closing minutes, however, the Bulldogs saw the margin widen to 17 points.

The nightcap for the championship and trophy was a thriller with Piedmont defending its crown for all it was worth until midway in tthe third quarter. Then, North Street's big three, S. Davis, Cook and Baltimore, opened up all stops and jumped into a 15-point lead which they held easily the rest of the way.

Tourney All-Stars

A tournament all-star team was named by the officials, coaches and sportswriters prior to the awarding of the trophies. Douglas' Robert Burks was a unanimous choice to the first five as was North Street's Baltimore. The other three were: Cook of North Street, R. Snowden of Lincoln and R. Taylor of Howard. The second team was composed of: Dabney Stephenson of Douglas, J. Snowden of Lincoln, P. Carroll of Lincoln, S. Davis of North Street and F. Twyman of Howard.

It will be at least two years before Winchester will be eligible for another Tri-State tourney, but this one was "a complete success," according to Edwin Barksdale, Douglas coach.

LINCOLN	G	F	T
J. Snowden	6	0-4	12
R. Snowden	10	4-7	24
Brown	5	0-2	10
Carroll	13	2-2	28
Delauter	4	0-0	8
Ambush	0	0-0	0
Hurde	0	0-0	0
Grooms	0	0-0	0
Totals	38	6-15	82

DOUGLAS	G	F	T
D. Stephenson	3	1-3	7
R. Burks	9	3-5	21
Ford	3	2-3	8
A. Stephenson	4	1-2	9
Prather	10	0-0	20
F. Burks	0	0-0	0
Totals	29	7-13	65

Score by Periods:				
Lincoln	18	39	59	82
Douglas	17	38	52	65

1955 – 1956

1955 Football

The 1955 Bulldogs won 4 and lost 3.

1955-1956 – Basketball

Although Douglas' final record only stood at 9-8, they still won the District 3 Championship.

Team members: Robert Gaither, Floyd Burks, Beverly Gaskins, John "Randy" Carter, James Stephenson, Lawrence Curry, Alexander Thomas and Brian Cooke.

Leading scorers: John Carter 11 games 190 points 17.17% average
Beverly Gaskins 11 games 148 points 13.45% average

1955
Douglas Football
4 – 3

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Sept 24	Cardoza – Washington, DC	0	14
30	Carver – Rockville, MD	14	0
Oct 15	Watson – Covington, VA	6	0
22	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	0	6
29	Douglass – Leesburg	6	12
Nov 5	Carver – Rockville, MD	19	14
19	William C Taylor – Warrenton, VA	29	6

POINTS: Douglas - 74
Opponents - 52



Douglas High School 1955 football team. Seated, left to right: Thomas Washington (statistician), and Charles Walker (manager); kneeling; front row kneeling, left to right: David Clinton, Charles Grimes, James Nelson, William Tigney, Lawrence Curry, William Dyer, Charles Corley, James Carter; second row standing, left to right: John B. Cook (assistant coach), Kenneth Cary, William Shepherd Harris, John Spencer, Charles Boles, Robert Gaither, Harold Scott, John R. Carter, Edwin K. Barksdale (coach); top row: John Shields, James Stephenson, Garland Williams, Floyd Burks, Kenneth Burks, Allen Corley, Charles E. Harris, Lamont Johnson. (555-86)



Douglas High School Bulldogs football team suited up to play in 1955. Front row, left to right: Ronald Washington (manager), James Carter, Charles Walker (manager), Lawrence Curry, Frank Lavender, Benjamin Brown (manager), Thomas Washington (statistician); second row, left to right: David Clinton (captain), Floyd Burks (co-captain), Louis Newman, Lamont Johnson, Allen Corley, Robert Gaither, Kenneth Cary, James Nelson, coach Edwin K. Barksdale; third row, left to right: Shepherd Harris, John Shields, James Stephenson, Kenneth Burks, Charles Grimes, Garland Williams; fourth row, left to right: Charles Corley, William Tigney, Charles Harris, John Spencer, Charles Boles, Stephen Newman. (555-96)

Douglas to Open Against Cardozo Friday

Game Scheduled For 3 PM Here

9-21-55

By CHARLIE TAIT

The Douglas Bulldogs open their 1955 football season Friday afternoon with a 3 o'clock home game against the only team to defeat them in two seasons of play — Cardozo High of Washington, D. C.

Last season, on opening day, Cardozo handed the outmanned Douglas eleven a 6-0 blot on their record and then went on the a-mass a 6-1-1 record against some of the top competition in the District of Columbia. Douglas was equal to the visitors, man-for-man in the starting lineup, but the reserves made the difference.

Douglas Romped

After getting past Cardozo, Douglas romped over the rest of the competition to the tune of 207 points to six with the closest game being an 18-0 vicory over William Taylor High. The six points were made by Carver of Rockville which lost 40-6 and 27-0 in two meetings. Carver is the second team on the Douglas schedule, the game coming up on September 30 at the Bulldogs' field.

Light scrimmage has been the only contact on the Douglas program this week, with intensive work on blocking assignments, defensive work and individual plays. Coach Edwin Barksdale has the largest squad (33) in the history of Douglas football and he's trying to shape it into the school's best team.

Starting Lineup

Saturday's starting offensive lineup is as follows: John Carter and Charles Boles at the ends; John Spenser and Robert Gaither at the tackles; James Stephenson and Charles Corley at the guards; Lawrence Curry at center; Floyd Burks at quarterback; David Clinton and Garland Williams at the halves and James Carter at fullback.

Corley, 168 pounds, and Boles, 175, are both new to the squad and have already earned starting assignments. The entire starting lineup, with the exception of 215 pound Gaither, hits the scales between 154 and 176 without much height. The team is fast and loaded with hard hitting tacklers plus some first rate defensive players.

Defensive Players

Melvin Cooper has looked fine as a defensive end. Stephen Newman and Shepherd Harris will see a lot of action as defensive guards. Line backers probably will be Charles Grimes and Melvin Scott with Alexander Thomas brought in for secondary. Allen Corley will make a good defensive guard or tackle.

For the kickoffs, Coach Barksdale has James Nelson and Roy Cooper. The same two will handle the placements plus the services of James Carter. Passing will be by Floyd Burks and David Clinton with John Carter dropping back from his end position to heave the long ones on occasions. Clinton and Cooper have been sharing the punting duties.

Rest of Schedule

After Carver, the Bulldogs will face Charles Town, there, on October 21; entertain Leesburg on October 28; go to Carver at Rockville on November 4 and take on Luther Jackson of Fairfax on November 11 with the field not decided yet. There will be other games on the schedule to fill at least three of the open spots — against Culpeper, Warrenton and Manassas. Covington, which claimed the Group III championship last year despite the record of the Bulldogs, has consented to a meeting with Douglas but the date has not been set yet. October 7 and 14 and November 18 are open.

For Friday's game, a few seats are available for the early arrivals. Between the halves, two midget teams will put on an exhibition game.

Powerful Cardozo High Spoils Douglas Football Opener, 14-0

9-24-55

Douglas High opened its football season at home yesterday on a sad note, dropping a 14-0 decision to triple decked Cardozo High of Washington, D. C.

The big Washington school, which meets Group I George Washington High of Alexandria next week, found the going rugged against the Winchester school until a second quarter gamble by the Bulldogs missed fire and opened the gates for the first score.

Key Play Backfires

Battling on even terms for a period and a half, Douglas found itself at midfield with a third down and nine yards to go situation. David Clinton went back to punt, changed his mind, was dropped on the Douglas 35 for a long loss and the visitors were in possession as the ball passed over to them on a platter. For three downs, the Bulldogs lived up to the hopes of their 400 fans, but then big, fast right half David Harris turned the right end at a gallop and didn't stop until crossing the goal line 35 yards away. Guard James Harris split the uprights and it was 7-0 with four minutes left in the half.

The next score followed a Douglas punt after failing to gain on the kickoff series. David Harris took Clinton's punt on the Cardozo 30 and put the ball in play on the Douglas 49 after a hard runback. On a quick opener, halfback Lewis Nero reeled off 10 yards for the first down, and one more play was all it took to cover the remaining 39 yards. It was a long pass down the middle from quarterback Thomas Stephens to Nero with everyone in the park knowing it was a TD but the Douglas safety who was caught flatfooted. Nero gathered in the ball at the 10 and waltzed across. James Harris' placement was good again, 14-0.

Play for Play

From then till the end of the game, Douglas matched the visitors play for play but couldn't tie together a scoring drive. With Floyd Burks quarterbacking the club smartly in the waning moments of the first half, Douglas moved from its own two to the Cardozo 39 before an interception broke the drive. The best pass of the series was a toss from David Clinton to Charles Bates for 11 yards. The tall rookie end went straight up above the defenders to snag the pigskin. In the first half, Floyd Burks made two sparkling runbacks on kickoffs, the first for 28 yards and the next for just one less.

The Bulldogs stopped a deep Cardozo penetration in the third quarter and watched one of the visitors' touchdowns called back on a clipping penalty. Cardozo handled the ball most of that period, but it found the tough Douglas line to tough to crack for any more TD's.

Clinton to Burks

Opening the fourth period, Clintodn hit Burks with a sharp pass down the middle for 22 yards and a first down on the Douglas 34. On a keep play, Burks went for nine and Garland Williams followed his interference beautifully to pick up 12 sideline yards on the next play. That drive was stopped by Cardozo before getting dangerous and the visitors launched another march of their own, from their 25. A 32 yard pass from Nero to Harris ruined one series of the hard-hitting Douglas line, and then a 30 yarder from James Stephens to Harris put the ball in play on the Douglas 10 with first and goal to go. Harold Scott broke through to stop Maurice Shirley on the first play and the Douglas line hit Nero so hard on the next play he fumbled all the way back to the 32 yard line. Douglas took over on its 21 as the drive bogged down.

Cardozo was back on the Douglas 10 four plays later with a first and goal to go as the game ended.

Statistically, the Bulldogs were even on first downs.

Although the Bulldogs lost this opening game, there is good reason to figure they will go along the rest of the way with no blots on their record — the same way they did in 1954 after dropping the opener to Cardozo, 6-0.

Score by periods:

Cardozo	0	14	0	0	—14
Douglas	0	0	0	0	—0

Tomorrow Afternoon

Doulas High Expects Win Over Carver

9-29-55

After dropping its opener 14-0 to Cardoso of Washington, D. C., the Douglas football team expects to get into the win column tomorrow when it faces Carver High of Rockville, Md., in a 2 p.m. game here.

The Bulldogs ran over Carver twice last year losing the opening game to Cardozo. The scores were 27-0 and 40-6 with that second game touchdown being the only other points made off Douglas last season after Cardozo won 6-0.

A big man in the first game against Carver was David Clinton with two touchdowns to his credit, and he came back with another pair in the second game. Clinton will be in there tomorrow afternoon along with the rest of the Douglas backfield which piled up numerous first downs against Cardozo's hefty line yet couldn't quite score. In that backfield will be Floyd Burks at quarterback, Garland Williams at the other half from Clinton and James Carter at fullback.

Williams went for one TD last season, and it was against Carver. Burks scored four, but none of them were against tomorrow's opponent. John Carter scored a TD against Carver, and he will be starting at end tomorrow.

In the Douglas line will be: Carter and Charles Boles at the ends; John Spenser and Robert Gaither at the tackles; James Stephenson and Charles Corley at the guards and Lawrence Curry at center.

First Win for Bulldogs

Clinton, Burks Lead Douglas To 14-0 Victory Over Carver

9-30-55

Douglas broke into the win column yesterday afternoon with a 14-0 home win over Carver High of Rockville, Md., before a small crowd under a slow drizzle.

From the beginning, it looked like a Bulldog win all the way as Douglas was out to avenge its opening day 14-0 loss to Cardozo of Washington, D.C. It would have been more of a runaway if penalties hadn't jarred the host club loose from three touchdowns and several long runs.

Early in the first quarter, David Clinton swept the right side from his halfback position to go into the end zone standing up on the end of a 26-yard jaunt. The touchdown run climaxed a 31-yard drive set up through a weak out-of-bounds punt by Carver after it was stopped cold in its own backyard. Quarterback Floyd Burks kept the ball in the T-formation to sneak over for the extra point making it 7-0 with no more than three minutes gone.

4th Quarter Score

In the closing moments of the third quarter, Douglas took a Carver punt for a first down on the visitors' 46-yard line. Six plays later the quarter ended with Douglas on the four-yard line with goal to go. On the third play of the final period, Clinton broke over the line from the four to score his second touchdown, and Burks added that extra point on another plunge making it 14-0.

Douglas lost the flip and kicked off to open the game. The ball was taken by halfback James Foreman on the 10 and put in play on the 24. Lawrence Curry Stopped one play cold, Robert Gaither then broke through to stop the fullback Ralph Patterson for a five-yard loss and the visitors elected to punt and get out of trouble. That was the boot which set up the opening TD as it sailed out of bounds on the Carver 31-yard line.

Led by Johnson

Led by Johnson, the left halfback, Carver swept to the Douglas 43 after the kickoff until fumbling the ball over to Lawrence Curry on the Douglas 40. With Kenneth Burks making the most yardage, the Bulldogs moved to the Carver 39 before losing possession of the ball on downs.

The best play in the next series was a diving tackle by James Stephenson which dropped the Carver runner for a 10-yard loss back to its own 14-yard line. With an earlier 15-yard penalty for offensive use of hands and a too-much-time five-yard penalty tacked on, the visitors had a third down and 40 yards to go situation. The punt was taken by Garland Williams all the way back to the Carver 10 but a clipping penalty set the Bulldogs up in business on the Carver 30. With the downs running out, Clinton threw a low pass to John Carter in the end zone but the ball dropped free and one play later, Carver had the ball.

Long Carter Run

The same John Carter took a Carver punt on the visitors' 40 four plays later and put on a beautiful twisting run into the end zone only to have the touchdown nullified by a clipping penalty against the Bulldogs. Inside the four-minute mark, Clinton hit Carter with a pass to the Carver seven but an unnecessary roughness penalty cost the Bulldogs another score.

As the end of the first half neared, Carver punted to the Douglas 15 where Burks ran it back to the Douglas 45 on a 30-yard Jaunt. Clinton hit Carter with a 15-yard pass for a first down on the Carver 40 and then hit him again for a touchdown on a thrilling, long pass. That TD was nullified by an offensive use of hands penalty and another 15 yards were marched off against the Bulldogs.

Goal-Line Stand

In the second half, the visitors began to open up longer runs, but Douglas was able to stop them on their one trip inside the 10. That came after the second Douglas touchdown as John on passed for 41 yards to quarterback Robert Thornton to the Douglas 10. Three plunges made three yards and then a pass from Johnson to Thornton was wide in the end zone.

Before time ran out in the final quarter, John Carter had time to unlimber a 22-yard pass to Kenneth Cary to put the ball in play on the Carver 41. A 10-yard loss on a fumble ended action for the afternoon.

Squad Rosters

Douglas: Bryan Cook, Shepherd Harris, Charles Harris, Shields, Carter, Spenser, Stephenson, Curry, Grimes, Gaither, Cary, Burks, Clinton, Dyer, Johnson, Corley, Scott, Thomas, Cooper, William Dyer, Lamarr Johnson, William and James Carter.

Carver: Dorsey, Welsh, Ballew, Moten, Bruce, Fuller, Payne, Bishop, Jackson, Thornton, Kyle, Lancaster, Jenkins, Dewey Israel, Kane, Nelson, Bishop, Michael Isreal, Shelton, Wood, Hariday, Robert Thornton, Julius Johnson, Foreman and Ralph Patterson.

Statistician — Tommy Washington.

Friday, 2 P.M.

Douglas Host To Group III Pigskin Boss

10-11-55

The Douglas Bulldogs are going to have their hands full this Friday as they play hosts to the 1954 Virginia Group III champs of Watson High, Covington in a 2 p. m. game.

The Bulldogs have a season record of 1-1, the loss being a 14-0 decision to Cardozo High of Washington, D. C., and the win being an identical score over Carver High of Rockville. Cardozo went to defeat Roosevelt High of Washington, the top rated school at that time in the District of Columbia, so the comparison is not bad.

Unscored Upon

Watson High has an unbeaten, untied, unscored on record so far after three games. And they are defending an unbeaten season from 1954 when they won seven straight. Douglas has dropped but two games in three seasons and they were both to Cardozo.

In their own league, both schools are undefeated and haven't shown any signs of losing until this game was arranged this season. Just for the record, Douglas has always wanted to meet any school which laid claim to being champ in football — the sport at which the Bulldogs excell.

In order to obtain the game, which means the visitors will have to make a 300 mile round trip, Douglas had to give them a guarantee. That means the Bulldogs will have to have a big gate, which they should from the class football they play.

Douglas has a good array of backs who should go on to score many times before the season is over, but right now all of the touchdowns have been made by one back, David Clinton. Kenneth Burks, quarterback, has added both extra points by running the ball.

Douglas High Defeats State Group III Champions, 6-0

Bulldogs Withstand Every Watson Drive With Great Defense

10-15-55

Douglas began gathering momentum for its late season drive yesterday afternoon by ramming a 6-0 defeat down the throats of the Virginia Group III champions of Watson High, Covington. The victory was the second straight for the Bulldogs.

In the early moments of the game, the visitors poured it on just like the weather as they moved all the way to the Douglas one-yard line with first and goal to go. Right there the Bulldogs took a sound grip with the mud at their backs and four plays later they took over on their own three-yard line. That series was the key to the entire game, as the big rangy, fast opposition found the going easy for first downs but not for touchdowns.

Burks to Carter

The lone score of the afternoon came in the waking moments of the second quarter as Quarterback Floyd Burks threw a flair-out pass to his fullback, James Carter, for a two-yard touchdown. The TD ended a 22-yard march by the Bulldogs and it ended the scoring too, as the try for extra point was no good on a pass from Burks that was broken up by the hard-rushing visitors.

The touchdown play was called when the Watson left half, Freddie Laws, was spotted checking out the Douglas right end. The end went down on the next play and across toward the goal post with the fullback hesitating a moment and then cutting into the vacated spot.

Grimes Intercepts

Two previous plays set up that touchdown. The first was a pass interception by defensive left-back Charles Grimes that put the ball in Watson territory. The second was a pass from Burks to left end John Carter that gave the Bulldogs a first and goal to go on the Watson eight-yard line.

Defensively, the Bulldogs played their top game of the season as the visitors showed up with a running attack that would make any high school coach green with envy. Despite the mud and slick, wet grass the Watson runners put on one of the best displays of moving the ball seen in the past couple of seasons at Douglas including the offensive shown by Cardozo. Even with that, the Bulldogs never let the Watson's backs cross the final stripe as Robert Gaither, James Stephenson, Kenneth Cary and Stephen Newman threw them down repeatedly. In the second half, Gaither personally accounted for half of the tackles as he hoisted his big frame in front of Watson's Freddie Laws, Dale Cashwell, Franks Burks and Robert Carter a dozen times.

Watson Was Unbeaten

Watson, which had defeated Martinsville 45-0 and Clifton Forge 26-0 in defense of its 1954 crown, kicked off yesterday in a pouring rain: Three running plays later Douglas elected to carry the ball on fourth down instead of punting and the first strategy of the game backfired. Watson stopped David Clinton cold in his tracks on the Douglas 48 with Watson getting the first down.

With Cashwell, Laws and Leslie Helton alternating, the visitors moved the ball steadily downfield to the one-yard line. Four smashes there netted a minus two yarls and Douglas took over on the best goal line stand of the season.

Muddy Backyard

Deep in its own muddy backyard, Douglas played it safe. Burks kept twice to move the ball to the six yard line before Clinton went back to punt. Helton took the ball on the Douglas 23 and was dropped in his tracks by Gaither. Two running plays netted nothing and then Robert Carter's pass was intercepted by Grimes at the Douglas 15-yard line. Not a fast man, Grimes' 10-yard head start disappeared steadily up the field until he was caught from behind on the Watson 14, 79 yards from where he started.

Four plays later, the Bulldogs failed to make a first down and the visitors took over on their own 21. But Watson had the ball just one play, as Helton fumbled with Douglas taking command on the 22. On an end-around, John Carter lost three yards and then Burks hit him with that key pass for 16 yards. Clinton blasted over the middle for six yards to put the ball on the Watson two-yard line and Burks finished the series with the pass to James Carter in the end zone.

Lots of Passes

From then on, Watson threatened several times but didn't have the final punch nor could they make their passes pay off. Robert Carter threw a dozen of them in the closing moments, but the visitors were way back on their own 20-yard line when the final whistle blew. As the whistle blew, Watson was busy picking up a long gain on a running play which started out as a pass and ate up all the time.

Next Friday afternoon, the Bulldogs go to Charles Town for a little easier pickings, and then are hosts to Leesburg on October 28.

Pass Interception Gives Charles Town 6-0 Win Over Douglas High

10-22-55

An intercepted pass was the deciding factor yesterday afternoon as the Douglas High Bulldogs — the sharpness of their play perhaps smoothed off a bit by over- [illegible] — went down, 6-0, before Charles Town at the legion field there.

Lack of blocking at crucial moments and a dropped pass on the Charles Town goal line also added to the local squad's troubles. After last weeks 6-0 win over the strong Watson High School eleven of Covington. Douglas had hoped to have a somewhat easier time of it with the West Virginia eleven. But perhaps they hoped too strongly as the fourth quarter pass interception spelled doom for the local squad.

Penalty Helped Winners

A penalty at the beginning of the fourth quarter helped Charles Town to get into position to score despite the fact that the West Virginians were thrown for several losses.

Charles Town punted to the Douglas 20 as the final quarter began. John Carter made a 10 yard runback to his own 30 but a 15 yard clipping penalty against Douglas put the Bulldogs back on their own 15.

Thomas, right half for Douglas, picked up two yards and John Carter threw two incomplete passes.

The Bulldogs then punted out to Charles Town's 45 yard line where Joe Kemp returned it for 25 yards to the Douglas 30.

Charles Town was held to no gain on the first play and on the second, Baylor, right half back, was thrown for a 19 yard loss on an attempted double reverse. Things began to look good for the Bulldogs as Kemp was thrown for a five yard loss and Bobby Branson, Charles Town, quarterback, lost six more yards on an attempted pass.

Douglas Recovers Fumble

Charles Town fumbled and Stephen Newman for Douglas recovered.

The Bulldog's hopes went high as they had the ball, first and 10, on the Charles Town 45 yard line. They soared even higher as Nelson picked up ten yards for a first down.

Tomas kept the drive going with a 9 yard drive through the right side of the Charles Town line. The march toward the goal continued as Floyd Burkes, Douglas quarterback, kept the ball and picked up three yards for a first down.

The drive bogged down as he made no gain on an identical play which followed.

Burkes then took to the air and this proved to be fatal for the Douglas squad.

Raced 32 Yards

A flat pass intended for James Carter, Douglas fullback, was gathered in by Calvin Thomas, Charles Town linebacker. Thomas took the ball on the 32 and raced to the goal line unmolested.

The attempted extra point by a pass was no good.

Before the end of the first half, Douglas completed seven passes. In a long drive which started on the Douglas 12, the Bulldogs moved down to the Charles Town 10 yard line on a 78 yard march.

But the clock ran out at this point as Douglas was in the shadow of the goal.

Douglas missed an excellent scoring chance in the first quarter when a pass from Clinton, left half, to John Carter, left end, was incomplete although Carter was in the clear at the Charles Town 10 yard line.

An even better chance was missed in the third quarter when Kenneth Curry, Douglas right end, took a 40 yard pass from John Carter on the goal line and it slipped out of his hands. No Charles Town defenders were within 20 yards of him.

Clinton Injured

David Clinton, Douglas left half, was injured in the third quarter and will be out of the lineup for from two to three weeks.

Defensive stars for Douglas were John Spencer, Stephen Newman, James Stephenson, Floyd Burk, John Carter and Lawrence Curry.

Two brothers on the Charles Town squad, Robert and William Smith, gave the Bulldogs plenty of trouble as they played at the respective ends.

Next week, Coach Barksdale of Douglas plans to put in some hard blocking practice before the Bulldogs meet Leesburg next Friday at the local field.

Douglas is planning for a tough game as Leesburg outweighs the Bulldogs by an average of 10 to 15 pounds per man. Leesburg significantly holds a victory over Charles Town.

And with Clinton out of action for a while, Coach Barksdale has shifted his team around somewhat. In fact he put the shuffled lineup into a brief practic. session last night.

In addition to the win over Watson, Douglas has a 14-0 victory over Carver High School of Rockville, Md. The other loss thus far this season was to Cardozo, 14-0.

Douglas Sharpens Pass Defense Play For Charles Town

10-26-55

Douglas High, fresh from a 6-0 victory over the powerful Virg'nia Group 111 champs of Watson High School last week, journey to West Virginia Friday afternoon for a tilt with Charles Town. Game time is 2 p.m. It will be the West Virginian' homecoming game.

The local eleven will be up against one of the best passers they will meet this season in Joe Branson, Charles Town sophomore. But the Bulldogs of Douglas have been hard at work on pass defense all this week end Coach Barksdale believes he has the answers to Charles Town's aerial attack.

Curry Back at Center

All but one of the Douglas first stringers will be at their posts this week after recent injuries. Lawrence Curry will be back at center on Friday. But Garland Williams, left half, will be out of action for another week.

Neither line appears to have the edge for Friday's contest and will meet on about on equal terms with regard to weight. Charles Town's two tall ends could make a difference.

The Bulloogs don't expect a runaway by any meants but they are in tiptop shape and hope to repeat last week's performnce.

Equal Records

Both schools have equal records of two wins and one loss but Douglas appears the stronger in the light of the win last Friday over the powerful Covington eleven.

Douglas has a 14-0 win over Carver High of Rockville and last week's 6-0 victory over Watson. The loss was to Cardozo High School of Washington, D. C., by a 14-0 score.

Charles Town has a 13-0 win over Carver and a 7-6 victory over Culpeper. The loss was to Leesburg last week by a score of 6-0.

Douglas plays host to Leesburg here on Friday, October 28.

Leesburg Downs Douglas, 12-6 In Last Five Seconds of Play

10-29-55

A touchdown in the last five seconds of play gave a powerful Leesburg eleven the long end of a 12-6 score over the Douglas Bulldogs here yesterday afternoon. The two teams had battled down to the wire, 6-6, before a five-yard end run in the closing seconds of the game spelled defeat for the local squad.

Douglas High scored its only touchdown in the early minutes of the third quarter.

A bad punt set up the first score for the Leesburg squad in the second quarter.

John Carter, Douglas quarterback, got off a bad punt from his own two yard line which bounded to his own ten yard line where Leesburg took over.

On the first play, Mack Simms, quarterback, passed to Charles Bryan, right halfback, complete on the five yard line. Bryan raced into the end zone with no defenders around to stop.

James Stephenson, left guard for Douglas, broke through the line and blocked the kick for the extra point.

Bryan again starred for Leesburg as he took the ball on the Douglas five yard line and went around end into paydirt just as the game was closing for the deciding score. The kick for the extra point went off to one side.

Losing 6-0, at the half, the Bulldogs came on to tie the game up in the early minutes of the third quarter.

After Leesburg kicked off, Carter got off a jump pass complete from his own 43 yard line to Kenneth Curray, right end, who carried down to the Leesburg 12 yard line.

Carter and Curry teamed up again on the next play as the latter took a pass in the end zone for a touchdown.

Kenneth Burck ran for the extra point attempt but was stopped at the line of scrimmage.

Both Carter and Curry turned in a fine game for Douglas, as did Stephen Newman, Robert Gaither and James Stephenson.

Leesburg's Nelson Lassiter, fullback, picked up a lot of yardage, especially in the second quarter. Much of this action went through the Bulldog's line. The Leesburg forward wall, outweighing the Douglas line by from 10 to 15 pounds per man, opened the way for Lassiter.

Bryan of course was outstanding on offense and Sammy Thomas, Leesburg left tackle, played a good game on both offense and defense.

The Bulldogs had several good breaks to score but their drives were stopped short of the goal line except for the one touchdown march.

Leesburg outplayed Douglas throughout, getting 14 first downs to 9 for the Bulldogs. Douglas didn't have too much success runnin through the line but picked up the most yardage around end and through the air.

The Bulldogs chalked up 55 yards passing to 47 for Leesburg which had more power on the ground.

Next week, the Bulldogs go to Carver High School at Rockville. In their previous meeting this season, Douglas defeated Carver, 14-0. After that they go to Fairfax to meet Luther Jackson and round out the season at home against Warrenton.

Williams, Curry, Thomas Score

Douglas Breaks Back Into Win Column With 19-14 Victory Over Carver High

11-5-55

Douglas climbed back into the win column yesterday afternoon for the first time in three weeks with a 19-14 victory over Carver High of Rockville, Md.

But the Bulldogs had to do it the hard way with a 14-0 score staring them in the face as they left the field at halftime. In the final two periods, they managed to thwart the passing attack of the host club and manufacture three touchdowns drives with some alert play on Carver punts.

The TD's were made by Garland Williams from the five yard line, by Lawrence Curry from the six and by Alexander Thomas from the five. All were made over the tackles as the hosts were spotted spreading their ends too far out. The one extra point was made by Williams on a quick sneaky over the left tackle the same way he ran for the first Douglas score.

Cary Gets Fumble

Kenneth Cary pounced on a fumble to get the Bulldogs started after the Douglas line hit the Carver punter on fourth down before he could get the ball away. Cary grabbed the ball and carried to the five from where Williams was able to score.

The second touchdown came after a high punt from the Carver kicker on his own 15 was caught by the wind and carried back to the Carver 10. At that point, John Spencer grabbed the ball downed it on the eight to open the way for Curry. Big Robert Gaither went through to block the next punt and set up the score by Thomas.

Passes Effective

One of the Carver TD's was scored on a pass and the other set up by a pass, as the big Maryland line held fast for their backs to get the ball away in the first half. Both extra points were kicked. In the second half, the hard charging Bulldogs wouldn't be denied. The defensive work of James Carter, John Spencer, James Stephenson, Lawrence Curry and Charles Grimes was outstanding for Douglas as the Bulldogs began to shake off some of the dullness which cost them successive losses to Charles Town and Leesburg after being figured to finish the season unbeaten after the Cardozo game.

Fairfax Cancels

Fairfax has cancelled out its gme of November 11 with Douglas so the next opponent of the Bulldogs won't be here until November 18 when they are hosts to William C. Taylor of Warrenton on Homecoming Day. "Miss Homecoming Drive" will be crowded for that game, scheduled for 2 p.m.

DOUGLAS—Burks, Spencer, Stephenson, Newman, Grimes, Gaither, Cary, Carter, Curry, Burks, Alexander, James Carter, Dyer, Harris, Corley, Lavendar, Johnson, Nelson Tigney and Shields.

CARVER—Foreman, Doven, Patterson, Bishop, Wood, Bame, Johnson, D. Isreak, Moten, Thocton, Harriday and M. Israel.

Bulldogs Host To Winchester Basketball Team

11-9-55

The Senior Class of Douglas High School will sponsor an exhibition basketball game tonight in the Douglas Gym at 8 o'clock for the benefit of the school Athletic Council.

The opposition for the Bulldogs will be the Winchester City team. The game will be the first game of the season locally for the 1955-56 basketball season.

Douglas Ends Season Against Warrenton in Homecoming

Bulldogs Must Win to Finish Ahead of .500

11-17-55

Area football fans can be as-

throw all of their eggs in one bas-

Taylor of Warrenton.

It's Homecoming for the Bulldogs who must win to get over the .500 mark for the season. Since it's also the final game of the year, Douglas knows it is in danger of hitting its first season without a winning team since Coach Edwin Barksdale took over the reins four years ago.

During the four-year span, the Bulldogs have won 22, lost six and tied one, a mighty record regardless of tomorrow's outcome. Nevertheless, the Bulldogs won't feel successful if they can't trim the visiting Warrenton eleven.

Loaded with Giants

Taylor is loaded to the rafters with big men. It's key player is a fine T-formation quarterback, Paul Smith, who towers five inches over the six foot mark and scales at 210 pounds. His favorite target is six-three, 185 pounds Henry Brooks, the right end, while over on the other end is another six-five giant, James Smith, Paul's brother.

The height doesn't stop there, although it doesn't reach quite the same proportions in the middle of the line. There also are other considerations, like a 180-pound fullback who can really bust up the middle and a pair of top flight tackles, for the Bulldogs to consider.

4-2-1 Record

The visitors have moved to a 4-2-1 record this season with defeats coming at the hands of Alexandria's Parker Grey and Luther Jackson of Fairfax, both Group 1 schools. Among their wins, the Taylorites number Culpeper, Manassas and Fredericksburg, while the tie was with Manassas in the second meeting between the schools.

Douglas has wins over: Carver, 14-0; Watson, 6-0; and Rockville, 19-14. Its losses were to: Cardozo, 0-14; Charles Town, 0-6; and Leesburg, 0-12. Cardozo went on to win the Washington, D. C., championship in its division, so the loss there was not unexpected. But the losses to Leesburg and Charles Town were top flight surprises, particularly since Douglas had such an easy time with them last season.

Two Stars Out

Two of the key Bulldogs are not in line for any action tomorrow, David Clinton and Floyd Burks. Clinton just had a cast removed from his leg, put there after suffering torn ligaments in the Charles Town game, and Burks has a badly swollen knee.

Defensively, the Bulldogs are going to be at just about top strength with such aces as Robert Gaither, on the sidelines last game, Stephen Newman, James Stephenson, John Spenser and Charles Grimes. With that defense, the hosts are going to spend most of the afternoon trying to pin those long ends in before they can be shaken loose for Smith's passes. Smith is one of the finest passers the Bulldogs will have faced this season and a terrific runner and punter as well. Coach Barksdale figures, however, that if he can stop the passes he can win the game.

Crown Jean Finley

During halftime ceremonies Jean Finley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Finley of 9 E. Pall Mall St., will be crowned Miss Homecoming. A Douglas junior Jean was awarded the title because of her class' $278.72 contribution to the homecoming drive. This was the largest class total, but the entire sum raised by he school, its record, was $907.80, all of which will go toward the athletic fund.

Douglas Ends Season With 29-6 Victory Over Warrenton

Bulldogs Paced By John Carter To 4-3 Season

11-19-55

By CHARLIE TAIT

Douglas High was off on the wrong foot for its Homecoming Game yesterday afternoon as it spotted William C. Taylor of Warrenton a touchdown in the early moments of play. But it came on strong behind the sensational play of rookie quarterback John Carter to hand the highly regarded visitors a 29-6 pasting.

Played before Homecoming Queen Jean Carol Finley, her court and 500 fans, the game took on the form of a rout as Carter passed and ran the Bulldogs to their most sensational win of the year as the 1955 schedule ground to a close. The Bulldogs finished over the .500 mark with a 4-3 record.

Shifted to Quarter

A veteran end, Carter was shifted to the quarterback role when an injury kept Floyd Burks out of the post toward the end of the season. Burks was in at end yesterday, where he performed ably.

Warrenton jumped to its early 6-0 lead as quarterback Paul Smith cracked the Bulldog line from one yard out after the visitors started a drive with a fumble recovery on the Douglas 47. The ball handling of Smith and a key 22 yard run by fullback Sterling Williams provided the strength for that march across the Douglas goal. A pass from Smith to Williams was no good for the extra point.

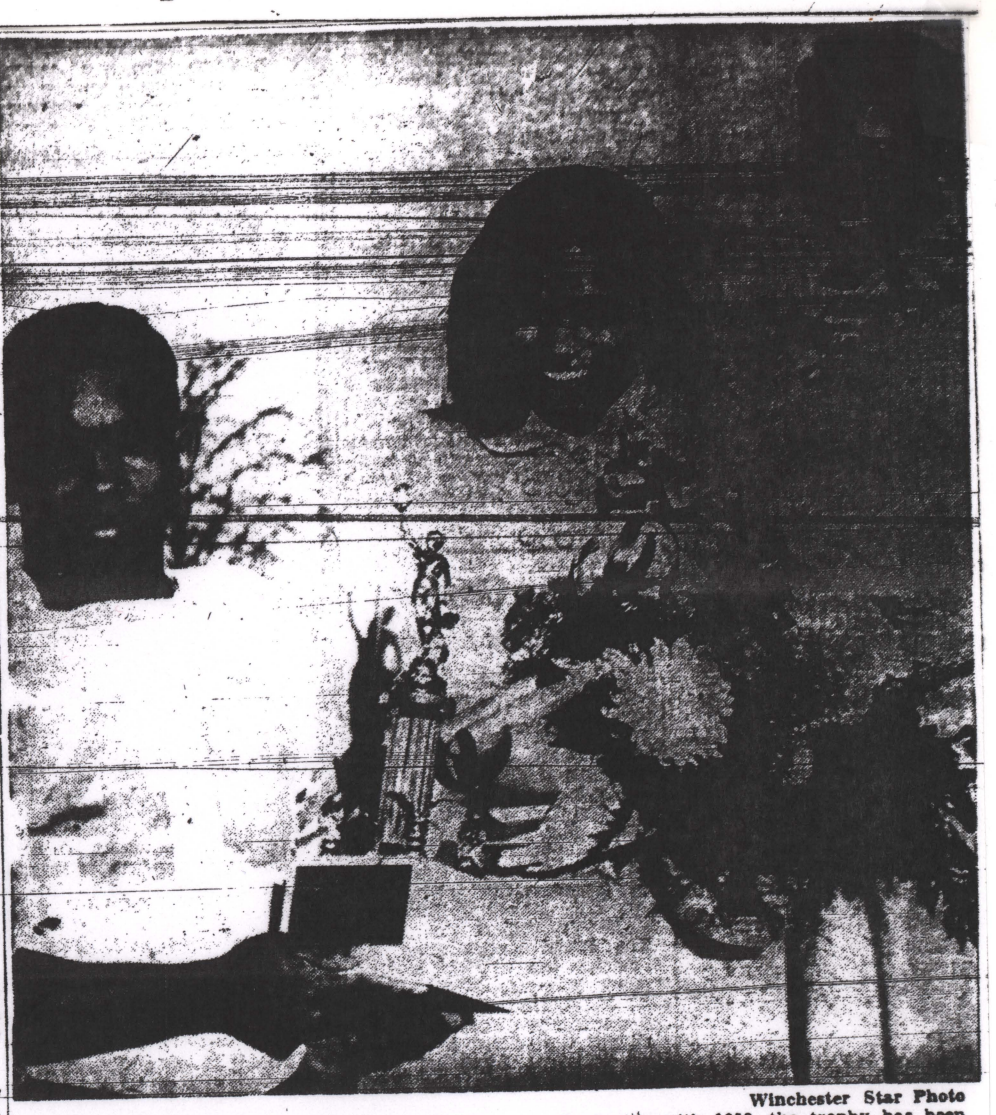
Douglas Scores

After that, Lawrence Curry scored in the first quarter, Alexander Thomas added a TD in the second as did John Carter, and the same Carter went over for the final TD in the third period. John Carter passed to James Carter for one extra point, to Charles Boles for another and kept the ball himself for the other. The final two points of the game came on a safety as center Robert Payne sailed the ball over the head of punter James Tines and completely out of the Warrenton end zone. The visitors were on their two at the time and attempting to punt out of trouble.

Paul Smith Injured

Quarterbacking was the difference yesterday. The visitors brought along one of the finest—Paul Smith, but the Bulldogs laid him low in the middle of the first quarter and then eliminated him altogether in the first part of the second period. After being carried from the field, Smith was well enough to return to the sidelines for the second half, but in street clothes. The real damage came when he tried to throw a low block on Curry who was carrying through the Warrenton line for nine yards on the Bulldogs first TD drive. John Carter just got better as he went along.

Douglas took the opening kickoff after winning the coin toss and moved with one first down to its own 47 before fumbling the ball over to Warrenton for the opening TD march.



Winchester Star Photo

DOUGLAS HOMECOMING QUEEN Jean Carol Finley (center) was crowned during halftime ceremonies yesterday by the 1954 queen, Rebecca Robinson, just before Bulldog Captain David Clinton presented her with the royal trophy.

Beginning with 1953, the trophy has been inscribed yearly with the queen's name and date of reign. The first queen was Patricia Finley, Jean's sister.

69 Yard Drive

The second kickoff, which went to the 10 and was returned to the Douglas 31 by John Carter, began a 69 yard march. Carter had a spectacular 11 yard run (when he was trapped and tackled behind the line of scrimmage), Curry added a nine yard spurt and Carter passed to Floyd Burks for a 29 yard gain to set up the ball on the Warrenton one yard stripe. After Curry plummeted over the middle of the line for the score, Carter was held fast as he attempted to keep the ball for the point after touchdown.

Charles Corley intercepted a Smith pass to give Douglas a first down on the Warrenton 47 late in the first period and open the next TD series. That drive was sparked by pass from Carter to Charles Boles and a driving plunge by James Carter. After Thomas went over from the five, Carter kept for the point.

Great Punt Return

Inside the four minute warning, Thomas took a Warrenton punt on the Douglas 32 and dashed it 43 yards back up the field to open the way for another score. On the second play from scrimmage, Carter spun over the right side, cut back to the middle and went the rest of the 26 yards for the score. This time he passed to James Carter for the 19th point to take a 13 point lead.

The final touchdown was lined up when Carter took a Warrenton punt on the visitors' 39 and was downed there. Curry crashed the middle for nine yards to the 30 and then John Carter twisted and squirmed through a group of tacklers all the way to the Warrenton 14. On the next play he swept the left side for the rest of the yardage and passed to Boles for the point afterwards.

Charles Corley intercepted another William Taylor pass late in the third quarter to break up a short drive. That series nearly went for a TD as John Carter passed on fourth down to James Carter (in the clear at the five) with the ball just dropping out of his hands. It was after they stopped the Bulldogs on that march that Warrenton was forced back to its own two by the tremendous tackling of John Spenser and Boles.

The final play of the game was another pass interception by Corley who returned the ball from the Douglas 30 to midfield as the gun went off ending action for the season for both schools.

Barksdale Carried Off

The first thing that the Bulldogs did after the game was carry Coach Edwin Barksdale off the field on their shoulders. After two upsets during the middle of the season and a couple of cancellations the Bulldogs were in deep trouble trying to make a winning year. They came through, however, to give this area a 100 per cent record of winning teams. Handley (7-1 with the Martinsburg game left), James Wood (5-3-1) and Clarke County (7-2).

Warrenton	Pos.	Douglas
Piper	LE	F. Burks
D. Marshall	LT	Spenser
Slaughter	LG	Stephenson
Payne	C	Newman
N. Marshall	RG	Corley
Armel	RT	Gaither
Chichester	RE	Boles
P. Smith	QB	John Carter
Sharp	HB	Curry
Tines	HB	Williams
Williams	FB	Ja. Carter

Warrenton subs: John Smith, Bolden, Turner and Green.

Douglas subs: Harris, Allen Corley, Kenneth Burks, Thomas, Shields, Cooper and Nelson.

Officials: Garrabrandt, Garber and Campbell.

Statistician: Tommy Washington.

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Dec	13	Jeanne Dean – Manassas, VA	38	45
	15	Jeanne Dean – Manassas, VA	41	33
Jan	6	Luray – Luray, VA	83	17
	7	Ramer – Martinsburg, WV	41	50
	12	Luray – Luray, VA	Won - No Report in Paper	
	18	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	52	45
	27	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	68	43
Feb	2	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	56	34
	4	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	49	68
	10	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	58	42
	11	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	54	62
	16	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	83	66
	18	North Street – Hagerstown, MD	57	88
	24	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	65	51
	28	Ramer – Martinsburg, WV	47	48
Mar	1	North Street – Hagerstown, MD	Lost – No Report in Paper	

Douglas was District Champions

STATE TOURNAMENT
Hampton - King Williams, VA (Lost - not in paper)

POINTS: Douglas - 792
Opponents - 692

DECEMBER 10, 1955

Douglas Opens Basketball Season Against Manassas

Bulldogs Lack Height; Swing To Fast Break

12-10-55

The Douglas Bulldogs open their 1955-56 basketball season Tuesday with an away game against Manassas, a combination junior varsity-varsity affair.

Whatever the quality of the Bulldogs is this season should be determined early as the host club has more than an edge in height and considerable experience. On the starting five is a six foot, 11 inch giant with a six five running partner and a six two guard. The best the Douglas five has to offer this year in height is six two Robert Gaither.

Fast Break Offense

The Bulldogs will employ a fast break offense whenever possible but can play control ball in front court if necessary, says Coach Edwin Barksdale who eyes this season with some caution.

Floyd Burks and Beverly Gaskins are a pair of outside shooters who can make or break any defense they'll meet on a given night. Burks is a five seven, senior with two year varsity. He can jump like a six footer, is good under the basket and a fine ball handler. Gaskins, a five eight and a half inch senior, has three years varsity experience, is a fine ball handler, a good driver and is in line for a fine season — his best by far from indications.

John "Randy" Carter and "Big" Gaither are the heavy artillery under the basket and should average 25-35 points between them per game. Carter is a five-11, two year veteran sophomore, owns a good jump shot with a one hand push, rebounds well and was high scorer of the Bulldogs last season with more than 400 points. A trifle on the cocky side, John is still a real hustler. Gaither is a good rebound getter, fair under the basket and is beginning to carry his weight well with a lot of hustle.

Side and Corner Shots

Shooting from the sides and in the corners this year will come most likely from James Stephenson, Lawrence Curry, Norman Pye or Alexander Thomas. Burks is a 50 per cent shooter from the side. Stephenson, a five six and a half junior with a year of varsity ball, is good on the fast break, a fair one hand push shot, has hustle but not too good an eye down the middle.

Curry, a five-eight sph with no experience other than junior varsity, is fair on lay ups from the fast break pattern. Pye is an experienced, five-seven and a half junior who could be the dark horse. A surprise find, Pye is looking good under the basket and handles the ball well. Thomas, a five-nine senior with a year varsity, has good basketball sense, is a fair ball handler and has shooting ability from the side line with a one hand push.

Lack of Height

Despite the lack of experience and height, the team is figured to run over the .500 mark although sorely missing the services of such grads as James Prather, Michael Ford, Dabney Stephenson and Hubert Stephenson. Robert Burks, the second high man last season, is among the unexplained absentees.

In two practice games, against Bell Clothes' Winchester five, the Bulldogs showed up well but dropped both decisions.

1955-56 Schedule

After Manassas on Tuesday, the Bulldogs take on the same team at Douglas, Dec. 15. The rest of the away games are: 12; Hagerstown, January 24; Page - Jackson, January 27; Harrisonburg, February 3; Martinsburg, Feb. 7; Berryville, Feb. 9; and Leesburg, Feb. 10.

The home games are: Luray, Jan. 5; Luray, Jan. 12; Martinsburg, Jan. 19; Leesburg, Jan. 26; Page — Jackson, Feb. 2; Berryville, Feb. 16; Harrisonburg, Feb. 23; and Hagerstown, March 2.

Schedule for Girls

The Douglas girls play on the schedule of the night games against: Manassas, Luray (twice) Berryville, Harrisonburg and Hagerstown. The junior varsity plays before the home games against, Leesburg and Page-Jackson. It has away games with: Manassas, Hagerstown, Page-Jackson, Harrisonburg and Leesburg.

Home games with just the varsity are scheduled to begin at 8 p. m. When the girls or juniors are playing action begins at 7 p. m. The game at Manassas begins at 7 p. m. Tuesday.

Manassas Rally Sinks Douglas Bulldogs 45-38 First Game

12-17-55

Behind 19-14 at the half, Manassas' tall quint roared home fast for a seven-point victory over the Douglas Bulldogs last night, 45-38 on the Manassas court.

Led by six-five Beverly Jordan and six-three Joseph Tyrance, the host club turned back practically every sustained threat of the Bulldogs in the second half to win going away while creating a great deal of interest for tomorrow's return game here. Coach Edwin Barksdale of Douglas, who seldom misses on a prediction, figures his Bulldogs will take it tomorrow night.

Court Made to Order

The long, narrow, Manassas court was made to order for the tall hosts who seemed to span its width with ease while waiting in the middle for pot shots. Tomorrow's game on the shorter and wider Douglas court will find both teams with the kinks out of their scoring. Last night, both units failed to impress or come up to early predictions resulting from last year's high scores.

Football ace John Carter put the Bulldogs [illegible] as he sank five field goals in the first half to lead the visitors to their five-point advantage. Jordan had four in that part and Tyrance had two. The Manassas pair switched in the second half to come out even on goals with six apiece. Carter added two for a total of seven and honors for the night. Douglas' Beverley Gaskins and Manassas' Robert Jones each came up with a 13-point performance to put five men in the double figures.

Poor Free Throws

From the free-throw line, Douglas missed 10 out of 14 for a poor percentage and still not much worse than the five out of 16 made by the host quint.

With the game close all the way, Coach Barksdale limited his substitutions to one man, Lawrence Curry, while Manassas' coach did the same, bringing in only Thomas Carter.

The period scores were: Douglas 10-8; Douglas 19-14; Manassas 31-25 and finally Manassas 45-38. The hosts outscored the Bulldogs 17-6 in that wild third period when the game went out of control for Douglas.

The game at Douglas tomorrow night is the last one before the holidays as well as the home opener. The Bulldogs meet Luray twice to open 1956.

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Gaskins	5	3-3	13
Stephenson	1	0-0	2
Jo. Carter	7	1-7	15
F. Burks	2	0-1	4
Gaither	2	0-3	4
Curry	0	0-0	0
Totals	17	4-14	38

MANASSAS	G	FT	T
Jordan	6	2-4	14
Tyrance	6	0-3	12
Baltimore	0	1-2	1
Jones	6	1-5	13
Smith	1	1-2	3
Carter	1	0-0	2
Totals	20	5-16	45

Avenge Opening Game Loss as Promised

Douglas High Defeats Manassas 41-33 As Gaskins, John Carter Split Honors

12-16-55

After losing its opening game to Manassas 45-38 on Tuesday, the Douglas quint came back on its home court last night to do what it promised — whip the same club. It accomplished the reversal of form to the tune of 41-33, giving the Bulldogs a one point edge after the split.

The top men of the Bulldogs, John Carter and Beverley Gaskins, lived up to advance publicity by scoring 18 points apiece for high honors to the delight of most of the 165 fans present. It was a good wind-up for the 1955 basketball season with the first game of the new year scheduled against Luray here on January 5.

Behind at Half

Douglas opened a narrow one one point lead at the end of a quarter with the score at 11-10 but dropped behind as the half ended with the count 20-17 against them. Except for Gaskins, who connected for three field goals and as many free tosses, the Bulldogs weren't in the game during those first two periods. Manassas' James Baltimore had three first quarter buckets and J Green had three second quarter goals to keep the visitors in contention, but they never made another goal as the Bulldogs stopped them cold in the second half.

In that second half, Carter warmed up to the range slowly with a pair of third quarter baskets and then lowered the boom with five in the final period to win going away.

Turning Point

The turning point came in the third quarter when the Bulldogs began using a good two three defense with a switch to the man-for-man half court press that confused Manassas. Carter and Lawrence Curry were the ball handlers in most of that action, while Robert Gaither did an excellent job of rebounding. The big football star went out on fouls in the third quarter, however but not before the Bulldogs found the way to win.

High in the praise of Coach Edwin Barksdale was Curry, the lad the coach said led to the win with his hustle. He was able to tie up the opposition as well as getting the jump ahead of Manassas, leading to many Douglas recoveries.

Douglas Girls Win

In a preliminary game, the Douglas girls defeated the Manassas girls 27-17 after holding a 22-3 lead at the end of three quarters. Maggie Burks took down second place honors for the host club with 10 points on four field goals and a pair of free throws. Top honors went to Douglas' Elizabeth Jackson with six field goals and no free shots for a 12 point total. Jean Finley racked up the other five points for the Douglas girls.

Manassas	G	FT	T
Green	3	2-6	8
Douglas	0	0-0	0
Porter	0	0-1	0
F. Lewis	0	0-2	0
Jordan	4	6-14	14
Coleman	0	0-0	0
T. Lewis	1	1-4	3
Thomas	0	0-0	0
Baltimore	3	2-3	8
Outlaw	0	0-0	0
Totals	11	11-20	33

Douglas	G	FT	T
Gaskins	5	8-15	18
Stephenson	0	0-1	0
Carter	8	2-6	18
F. Burks	1	0-1	1
Gaither	0	2-2	2
Mason	0	1-2	1
Curry Thomas	0	0-0	0
K. Burks	0	0-0	0
	14	13-27	41

Halftime score: Manassas 20-17
Timer — David Clinton
Scorer — James Bartlett
Officials — Abraham and Fox

Douglas Bulldogs Will Meet Luray Here Tomorrow

1-4-56

Douglas High opens its 1956 part of the basketball season tomorrow night with the first of a two-game series with the Luray quint—both games being scheduled for the Bulldogs' court, as Luray's court isn't ready.

Tonight's activities begin with a girls' game at 7:30 o'clock.

Luray will be back in town on the 12th with another girls-boys doubleheader, while Martinsburg will be host to the Bulldogs Friday night with just the varsity taking part.

Bulldogs Are 1-1

So far, the Bulldogs have a 1-1 record, playing just a two-game home-and-home series with Manassas. They lost the away game 38-45 and then came home just before the holidays to whip the same team 41-33.

Last season, the Bulldogs won their district championship but lost out in the state championship competition.

Schedule Changes

Several changes in the Douglas schedule have been announced by Coach Edwin Barksdale. The games for January 19, 24 and 27 with Martinsburg, Hagerstown and Page-Jackson have been changed and substituted with: Martinsburg on the 6th and Charles Town on the 17th, both away.

In February, the Martinsburg game on the 7th has been changed to the 28th, here, and Hagerstown has been added for an away date on the 17th. The two possibilities with Frederick on January 17 and 24 have been discarded.

Bulldogs at Martinsburg Tonight

Douglas Dynamites Luray 83-17 With Carter Scoring 23 Points

1-6-56

Scoring at will, with the first string on the floor for just two periods, the Douglas Bulldogs larded an inexperienced Luray quint 83-17 last night before a packed house at the Winchester school. In a preliminary game, the Douglas girls defeated the visitors' girls 25-15.

After dynamiting their way to a 31-2 first quarter lead, the Bulldogs were pulled off the court by Coach Edwin Barksdale who sent in the second line players for the next two periods. Although they didn't look very impressive, the subs racked up scores of 11-5 and 10-5 in those quarters to put Douglas out in front by 40 points going into the home stretch. Another 31-point quarter then by John Carter, Beverley Gaskins, James Stephenson, Floyd Burks and Robert Gaither completely iced the uneven contest.

Carter Has 23 Points

High man for the night was Carter with five baskets in the first quarter, five in the fourth and three free shots for 23 points. Gaskins, Burks, Gaither and Lawrence Curry each had five field goals, while Thomas Hall of the visitors was their high man with three field goals and six free shots for 12 points.

Individually, Gaskins pumped them in from the corners, Stephenson was the layup artist, Carter dropped them in with one-hand push shots from the foul line, Burks swished them through on the longer distances, Gaither did a terrific job on tap-ins and Curry followed the style of Carter in one-handers from the circle area. Most of the game, the Bulldogs employed a man-for-man defense, occasionally switching to a 3-2 defense.

Good 42.5 Percent

Percentage-wise, Douglas looked real sharp with 37 goals out of 86 attempts for 42.5. The Bulldogs will have to have about the same kind of high percentage if they hope to get past Martinsburg tonight, over there.

After tonight's game, the Bulldogs don't play until next Thursday when the same Luray quint is back for another try here.

In the girls game, Elizabeth Jackson was high for Douglas with 11 points on five field goals and a free toss, Jean Finley had eight points for the host club with three field goals and a pair of free shots, while Mag Burks had a pair of field goals and a free shot for five points. Audrey Tutt led the visitors with three field goals for six points.

LURAY	G	FT	T
Haines, D.	0	1-3	1
Veney, R.	0	0-2	0
Bundy	0	0-1	0
Johnson	1	0-1	2
Hall	3	6-9	12
Williams	0	0-0	0
Veney, E.	1	0-3	2
Haines, R.	0	0-1	0
Tutt, L.	0	0-0	0
Tutt, M.	0	0-2	0
Totals	5	7-22	17

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Gaskins	5	3-3	13
Stephenson	2	1-1	5
Carter, Jo.	10	3-7	23
Burks, F.	5	1-1	11
Gaither	5	0-1	10
Curry	5	0-0	10
Thomas	0	1-3	1
Brown	1	0-2	2
Burks, K.	2	0-0	4
Mason	0	0-0	0
Spenser	2	0-0	4
Carter, Ja.	0	0-2	0
Totals	37	9-20	83

Score at Half —
Douglas 42 - 7

Douglas Tackles Jackson Quintet At Charles Town

1-7-56

The Douglas Bulldogs are at Charles Town tonight for a tough one. The host club, Page Jackson High, holds a strong win over a team which defeated Douglas by nine points, Martinsburg.

Such being the case, Charles Town is a definite favorite, although the Bulldogs know that a loss will drop them to the .500 mark for the season with a 3-3 record.

So far, Douglas has wins over Luray (twice) and Manassas (a split). Its losses were to: the latter and the 41-50 trimming by Martinsburg.

On the point side of the ledger, Douglas is far ahead, 269 to 162, but it will have to hit on all cylinders to top the West Virginians this trip. The teams don't meet again until February 2, at Douglas.

The junior varsities play first tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

Poorest Percentage

Douglas Defeated By Ramer 50-41 At Martinsburg

1-7-56

A last quarter rally by Martinsburg's Ramer High was enough to stop Douglas 50-41 last night on the West Virginians' court.

It was a bitter pill for the Bulldogs to swallow after leading 39-34 with three and a half minutes left in the game. But they had none to blame but themselves as they came up with their poorest point production percentage to date. On 61 attempts, the Bulldogs made but 13 field goals — 21.3 percent.

Stopped Carter Cold

Gambling that if they could stop John Carter they could whip the Virginians, the hosts made it pay. They gambled by putting two men on Carter and leaving Floyd Burks free in the key. It paid off as Carter sank one field goal and Burks couldn't do enough damage by himself even with the opening for his pot shots. He connected on four out of 17, while Carter had shot after shot rammed down his throat by six-four Thomas Bullet.

Douglas, going with the man-for-man all the way, found themselves in hot water as Ramer switched to a 2-1-2 defense. Douglas had the edge on rebounds but couldn't make the register ring on the baskets.

Bullet Held to 15

Bullet, the man the Bulldogs had to watch out for, was held to 15 points by the alert Douglas defenses, but two of the top Winchester players fouled out of action trying. Beverley Gaskins and Carter were the players and with them gone, and Robert Gaither on the no-play-for-awhile list, the last few minutes were tough on Douglas.

The Bulldogs figure to make a better show of it on the Douglas court when the return game is played February 28.

Next on the Douglas schedule is a January 12 game with Luray here.

RAMER	G	FT	T
Carey	1	6-11	8
Creamer	0	0-0	0
Bullett	7	1-3	15
Mosby	3	4-7	12
Williams	4	7-10	15
Totals	16	18-31	50

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Gaskins	2	7-9	11
Stephenson	3	3-4	9
Curry	3	2-4	8
Carter	1	0-0	2
Burks	4	3-4	11
Thomas	0	0-0	0
Spenser	0	0-0	0
Totals	13	15-21	41

Score at half: Douglas 21-19

Referee — Busey
Umpire — Miller
Timer — Clinton
Scorer — Jackson

Fourth Win in Six for Bulldogs

Douglas Surprises Page-Jackso 52-45 as Carter Bags 16 Point

1-18-56

Douglas upset a highly regarded Page-Jackson quint 52-45 last night at Charles Town with its starters acting like a unit for the first time in several games, in defeating the team which had bumped Martinsburg's Ramer (winner over Douglas), the Bulldogs simply outhustled the West Virginians.

James Stephenson and Beverley Gaskins were the fast-breaking twins last night, and the return of Bob Gaither to the Bulldogs was a big boon on rebounding. High man John Carter pumped in eight field goals, most of them jump shots around the key, but he was equaled by Rutherford of Page-Jackson with the same number of goals. Rutherford had no tries from the free-throw line, while Carter missed on five straight efforts.

Rebounding Magic

With Stephenson hitting well from the outside, 18 to 25 feet, Gaskins pumped his goals in from the corners. Most of Gaither's goals were tap ins, part of his rebounding magic. Floyd Burks, who didn't get very high in the scoring, was excellent on ball handling and setting up the plays.

A 12-point Bulldog lead after three quarters dwindled to three, 46-43, with two and a half minutes to go in the game, but the fine 48.8 percentage of field goal shooting of Douglas paid off in the final moments. Personal fouls in the closing three minutes didn't help the hosts' chances of winning either, although each side lost a man—Stephenson and A. Baylor.

Effective Defense

The Bulldogs used a 2-1-2 defense very effectively in the first half and then pressed hard in the third quarter as their lead mounted. The hosts used a similar defense, occasionally switching to a floating zone with double guarding of the dangerous Carter. In six games, Carter has failed only once to get 15 or more points, but that time he dropped all the way down to a two-point performance, all of which gives him a 16.3 average.

The win was the fourth in six starts for Douglas with nothing scheduled now until a home game against Douglass of Leesburg on January 26.

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Stephenson, J.	4	2-4	10
Gaskins	6	1-6	13
Carter	8	0-5	16
Burks	1	2-5	4
Gaither	4	1-2	9
Cooke	0	0-0	0
Curry	0	0-0	0
Spenser	0	0-0	0
Totals	23	6-22	52

PAGE-JACKSON	G	FT	T
Kemp	4	2-5	10
Rutherford	8	0-0	16
Braxton	0	0-0	0
Johnson	3	2-6	8
Willis	2	0-1	4
Baylor, A.	2	1-2	5
Baylor, M.	0	2-2	2
Stevenson	0	0-0	0
Berry	0	0-0	0
Thomas	0	0-0	0
Baylark	0	0-0	0
Brown	0	0-0	0
Totals	19	7-16	45

Score by periods:
Douglas 12-17 8 15
C. Town 6 11 11 17
Officials: Fox and Craven
Timer: Anna Stanton
Scorer: Jackson
Douglas JV's 29; Charles T JV's 39 (preliminary)

Douglas Host To Leesburg 7:30 Tonight

1-22-56

After a nine-day layoff, Douglas takes to the court tonight with a home game against Leesburg's Douglass High. The Bulldogs had little trouble trouncing the visitors twice last season, but this year it is tougher sledding for the Winchester school.

So far, the Bulldogs have a 4-2 record with a couple of tough ones coming up after tonight. On February 2, Page-Jackson will be in Winchester and then the Bulldogs go to Harrisonburg to meet Luther Simms on the next night.

Douglass of Leesburg has the height which the Bulldogs don't, but Douglas found its footing last time out in upsetting Martinsburg and should keep the short streak alive.

The preliminary game tonight will be a girls affair beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Douglas School News

1-27-56

On January 17 the Douglas High School played the Paige-Jackson High School of Charles Town, W. Va. on the West Virginians' home court. The Douglas varsity won 52-45 but the JV lost.

For the past two weeks the students at Douglas have been reviewing for the mid-term tests which start Monday.

The next basketball game will be on January 26.

Alexander Thomas, reporter

Carter, Gaskins High for Bulldogs

Douglas Swamps Leesburg's Douglass 68-43 With Powerful Second Half Rally

1-27-56

After a close first half at Douglas last night, the host Bulldogs poured it on Leesburg's Douglass to the tune of 68-43 for their fifth win in seven starts. Pacing the Bulldogs' attack were: John Carter with 22 points and Beverley Gaskins with 20.

Leaving the court with a half-time lead of 34-30, Douglas returned to the floor in full command of the situation as Carter paid off on his pump shots from the center and his layups, and Gaskins took care of the corner shots and some fast drive-in layups. When the ball wasn't going through the hoop, it was being taken care of on the rebound by Winchester's Robert Gaither, who also dipped into the double figure scoring with 11 points.

Bryant High

Charles Bryant of the visitors was their lone double figure man as he came through with 15 points on seven field goals and a free throw. Carter had nine goals, Gaskins had eight and Gaither finished with six.

Percentage paid off for Winchester as the Bulldogs made 27 out of 52 field goals attempted. Douglas made 18 out of 59 attempted.

Douglas used a 2-1-2 defense most of the game occasionally switching to a full press. On the offense, the fast break of the Bulldogs excelled in the first and fourth quarters and generally speaking they just outhustled the visitors in the second half.

Individual Work

Individually, James Stephenson of the Bulldogs was good on the layups, making three; Floyd Burks' fine passing set up the fast break and Bryan Cooke looked good around the pivot. For the visitors, Bryant's tap-in were terrific and his fast break with James Smith set up many of the Douglass scores. Smith fouled out in the third quarter, hurting his team's chances greatly.

Next on the list for the Bulldogs is a Feb. 2 game with Page-Jackson of Charles Town here.

DOUGLASS	G	FT	T
Bryant	7	1-4	15
Hall	0	1-1	1
Roberts, T.	1	0-1	2
Ashton	1	3-9	5
Roberts, C.	0	0-2	0
Smith	3	0-2	6
Jones	0	0-0	0
Rights	2	0-0	4
Clark	2	0-1	4
Hatcher	0	0-0	0
Simms	1	2-3	4
Roberts, J.	1	0-0	2
Totals	18	7 23	43

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Stephenson	3	2-4	8
Gaskins	8	4-8	20
Carter	9	4-9	22
Gaither	4	3-6	11
Burks	2	0-1	4
Cooke	1	0-0	2
Curry	0	1-2	1
Thomas	0	0-0	0
Totals	27	14-30	68

Score by periods:

Douglass	8	22	6	7—43
Douglas	17	17	15	19—68

Scorer—Bartlett

Douglas Varsity, JV's Score Victories Over Page-Jackson

Gaskins, Gaither, Carter, Stephenson Hit Double Figures

2-3-56

The Douglas varsity had an easy time of it last night surprising a strong Page-Jackson of Charles Town quint by a 56-34 count, but the Winchester school's JV's had to pull their 26-25 win out of the fire in the last second of play.

In that junior varsity thriller, John Spencer dribbled the entire length of the court on a spectacular dash to sink a two-pointer as the whistle sounded. It was his lone basket of the night but far overshadowed anyone else's play. Les Mason racked up eight points for the winners, just a notch under the high game effort of Albert Long. Branson had six points for the visitors.

Not As Expected

The varsity game was expected to be close all the way, but a smooth clicking Douglas quint found the range with four men sharing top honors. John Carter turned in 15 points to retain his customary top ranking, but Beverley Gasking and James Stephenson were right behind with 12 points apiece and Robert Gaither had one of his best night with 11 points.

The Bulldogs' fast break, combined with outside shots, worked about 50 per cent of the time as the host quint simply outhustled Charles Town. On defense, the 2-1-2 of the Bulldogs was occasionally switched to a half-court press, but either way it worked as Page-Jackson failed to score more than 11 points in any one quarter.

Douglas really opened up in the third quarter as the visitors tried a man-for-man defense. The Bulldogs went into that period with a 25-13 margin but upped it to 43-23 at the end of three. The fourth quarter saw the visitors as Coach Edwin Barksdale shoved in his Bulldog subs.

Best Percentage

On percentage, the Bulldogs had the best of the evening with 24 out of 51 attempts compared to 13 out of 55 for Page-Jackson. George Rutherford of the West Virginians had their best evening with six field goals out of 15 attempts and a couple of free shots for 14 points. Carter had seven baskets out of 13 attempts. Stephenson out of 10 tries and Gaskins had five out of 15 go through the hoop. Lawrence Curry took one shot and it scored two points for Douglas.

The victory was the sixth in eight starts for Douglas and brought them up to tonight's game at Harrisonburg all ready for a tough Luther Simms High. That will be all until next Thursday when the Bulldogs go up against Johnson-Williams at Berryville.

PAGE-JACKSON—	G	FT	T
Johnson	2	2- 3	6
Rutherford	6	2- 3	14
Braxton	1	3- 6	5
Kemp	0	0- 3	0
Baylor	2	1- 3	5
Willis	2	0- 2	4
M. Baylor	0	0- 1	0
K. Baylor	0	0- 0	0
Berry	0	0- 0	0
Stevenson	0	0- 0	0
Thomas	0	0- 0	0
Totals	13	8-21	34

DOUGLAS—	G	FT	T
Gaskins	5	2- 5	12
Stephenson	5	2- 3	12
Carter	7	1- 3	15
Burks	1	2- 3	4
Gaither	5	1- 2	11
Curry	1	0- 0	2
Thomas	0	0- 0	0
Cooke	0	0- 0	0
Totals	24	8-16	56

Score by Periods:

C. Town	6	7	10	11—34
Douglas	14	11	18	13—56

Officials: Fox and Miller.
Scorer: Bartlett.
Timer: Clinton.

Luther Sims Turns Back Douglas 68-49

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Douglas at Leesburg Tonight

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2-10-56

By CHARLIE TAIT

Douglas found the error of its ways in trying a man-for-man against Johnson Williams last night in time to trip the host Berryville quint by a 58-42 score. The game, a thriller all the way, was played before a packed house, and that's a good sign for the return game scheduled for the Bulldogs' court next Thursday.

With some real hustle and cool play, the Berryville lads went to work on that first quarter man-for-man of the Bulldogs to take a 13-12 margin. But it didn't take long then for Coach Edwin Barksdale to send the Bulldogs into a 2-1-2 zone with an occasional switch to a 2-3 and it stopped Johnson Williams nearly cold before getting adjusted.

In the second quarter, the one-point lead disappeared fast as the host quint dropped to three points, leaving the floor at half-time on the poor end of a 23-16 count.

Thornton Stars

Big Benjamin Thornton of Berryville was the lad who shot the man-for-man out of the game with his first period play, and then he kept Berryville in the race during the final half with six field goals. His total was 17 points, but he had to be content with third place honors behind Beverley Gaskins and John Carter of the visitors. For a change, the pair switched honors with Gaskins leading the pack on 20 points, a notch ahead of Carter.

During the opening half, the five field goals of Gaskins provided much of the scoring punch of the Bulldogs, although the most spectacular shot was sent arching through the net from 25 feet out by teammate Floyd Burks. The short guard then came through with an even longer, 28-foot field goal in the second half and a third one from about 20 feet to draw out the defenses of the hosts. With that kind of long-distance shooting loosening up the defenses, there was room for the driving layups of Gaskins and the pot shots of Carter.

Harrisonburg on 23rd

Douglas hit for 40 percent of its shots from the floor, a good enough percentage to win most any of the remaining games on its schedule including the all-important one against Harrisonburg on the 23rd. The Bulldogs must win that one to get into tournament play although they dropped a 68-49 decision at Luther Simms earlier. Batting 1.000 on his predictions so far, Coach Barksdale says his lads will come through for this one.

Hosts Have Height

Johnson Williams had the height in Thornton and Harry Cooper, but the more experienced visitors had the edge in shooting. McKinley Mason, who was held to nine points, was a good drive-in artist for Berryville, while Thornton was best on jump shots.

Tonight, Douglas has a tough one ahead of it—against a team which it stomped by 25 points and still is afraid to predict a win against. The difference is in the very small court of Leesburg's Douglass High.

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Gaskins	9	2-9	20
Stephenson	2	1-2	5
Carter	9	1-3	19
Burks	3	0-1	6
Gaither	1	0-1	2
Curry	1	0-0	2
Thomas	0	0-0	0
Cooke	0	0-2	0
Mason	1	0-2	2
Long	0	2-2	2
Totals	26	6-22	58

Johnson Williams	G	FT	T
Mason, M.	4	1-4	9
Jones, C.	1	0-0	2
Thornton	8	1-3	17
Banks	0	0-0	0
Mason, W.	2	2-4	6
Jones, A.	0	0-0	0
Mason, G.	1	0-3	2
Cooper	3	0-5	6
Paige	0	0-0	0
Mason, E.	0	0-0	0
Whitmore	0	0-0	0
Totals	19	4-19	12

Score by periods:

D	12	11	20	15	58
JW	13	3	12	14	42

Officials—Craven and Fox
Scorer—Clinton and Jones

Douglass Wins 62-54

Heavily Favored Douglas Bulldogs Sunk at Leesburg

2-11-56

Leesburg's Douglass surprised Winchester's Douglas last night by a 62-54 count at Leesburg after losing by 25 points in their other meeting on January 28.

Cocky after such a big win in the first game, Douglas started off all wrong, ending up 21 points behind at intermission with the score at 37-16. The Bulldogs put on the pressure in the last two quarters, but it was too much of a lead to overcome on the small host court.

Outhustled, Outplayed

In the words of Coach Edwin Barksdale, the host quint simply "outhustled and outplayed Winchester." To be a little more exact, it was the work of two men, six-one Charles Bryant and five-10 Guthrie Ashton which turned the tide. That pair accounted for 54 points between them, the exact total of the Bulldogs.

In the first half, with Douglas getting a combined team total of four field goals, Bryant and Ashton had 17 baskets and a free shot for 35 of Leesburg's 37 points. Robert Gaither was the big man for the Bulldogs in that half, scoring two field goals and making good on each of the four free throws he attempted. His percentage on the floor was the best, too, as he sank four out of the six tries he made.

Carter Comes to Life

In the second half, Douglas came to life as John Carter pumped in six field goals and Beverley Gaskins four to get back up on their averages. Carter finished with 16 points and Gaskins with 14, but Bryant and Ashton hit for 27 each, combining for 25 field goals as compared to 21 by Douglas.

No one was sent out of the game on personals, but Floyd Burks, Gaither, Ashton and James Smith were close to the line with four fouls apiece.

It Point Third

Douglas played its best ball in the third quarter, racking up 24 points, a notch better than the 23 points turned in by their hosts in the second quarter. In that disasterous second, Douglas made but six points.

On Thursday, the Bulldogs are host to Johnson Williams of Berryville in a twinbill with the girls getting things underway at 7:30 o'clock.

Douglas	G	FT	T
Gaskins	5	4-5	14
Stephenson	1	0-0	2
Carter	7	2-2	16
Burks	3	3-7	9
Gaither	4	4-4	12
Mason	1	0-0	1
Totals	21	13-18	54

Douglass	G	FT	T
Bryant	12	3-3	27
Ashton	13	1-4	27
Hall	1	0-0	2
Smith	1	0-1	2
Jones	0	0-1	0
Clark	1	0-1	2
Hatcher	0	0-2	0
Simms	0	2-4	2
Totals	28	6-17	62

Score by periods:

Douglas	16	6	24	14	54
Douglass	19	23	13	12	62

Carter Scores 25

Douglas Bounces Back From Slump To 88-66 Victory

2-16-56

Shooting at a 44 percent clip, Douglas bounced out of a three-game slump last night at Berryville to trim Johnson Williams 88-66. The Winchester school's record is now 9-4.

It was a pleasant win for Douglas Coach Edwin Barksdale, since the Bulldogs have been a disappointment recently after early signs of having a top flight club. It also made a brighter picture for the District Tournament at Douglas on Saturday.

Johnson Williams had the Masons: McKinley Gary and William, to do its shooting last night with 22, 19 and 12 points respectively, but the Bulldogs had many two-figure shooters to compensate for them.

JOHN CARTER LED the parade with 25 points, while John scored 18 as he moved up from the second five in fine form. Ninth grader Lee Mason turned in 12 points for Douglas, while James Walker finally started shooting the way he had been figured to earlier with his 16 points being third high.

Douglas worked a full court press most of the game but had trouble with the scrappy and tall host club. The two teams meet again this Friday night, at Douglas.

THE GAME WAS RED HOT in the opening quarter as Douglas was off to a 28-23 lead. In the second quarter, the Bulldogs moved out in front by 44-39 as the pace was cut down a bit.

By the end of three periods, the Bulldogs owned an 18-point margin and were safely in by 70-52.

On Thursday, the Bulldogs go to Carver High at Rockville.

The Box Score

	G	FT	T
Stephenson	3	0-0	6
Brown	0	0-0	0
Washington, W.	0	0-0	0
Carter, Jo.	11	3-10	25
Carter, Ja.	0	0-0	0
Walker	8	0-3	16
Washington, T.	3	3-3	9
Spencer	6	6-9	18
Mason, L.	5	2-4	12
Totals	36	14-29	86

J. WILLIAMS	G	FT	T
M. Mason	10	2-7	22
Wallace	3	0-2	6
G. Mason	7	5-7	19
Paige	1	3-8	5
Whitmore	1	0-0	2
Jones	0	0-2	0
W. Mason	5	2-3	12
Jackson	0	0-0	0
Totals	27	12-29	66

Referee—Craven
Umpire—Miller
Scorer—Charles Walker

Douglas Swamped By Hagerstown's North St. 88-57

2-18-56

Douglas ran into more than it could handle last night, droping an 88-57 decision to a host of the Street High quint of Hagerstown after the junior varsity lost 48-24.

Led by Thomas Burnett, a fade-away shooter with one or both hands, and tall Howard Cook, the Marylanders moved to a nine point advantage at the end of the first half, 39-30, and then poured on the coals in the final half. Burnett scored 28 points while Cook spent most of the evening under the basket accounting for 20 points.

Last night's game was the first of the season against North Street, the second game scheduled for the Douglas gym on March 2 with the girls expected to supply the preliminary action.

Douglas has a record of eight wins and five losses with the next game being a home affair against powerful Harrisonburg on the 27th.

Big Game Tonight

Douglas Must Top Harrisonburg for Playoff Tomorrow

2-22-56

Douglas has a toughie tonight—meeting the Luther Simms High quint of Harrisonburg in a game which could decide whether the Bulldogs go to their Group III Tournament or not. In their first meeting, the Rockingham County quint defeated the Winchester school 68-49.

Tonight could easily be a different story. But to stop the invaders Douglas will have to put an end to the brilliant scoring of Robert Washington, a one-man team who scored on drive-ins, layups, outside pot shots and from the corners in running up 40 points in that first game.

Harrisonburg has a 5-0 district record as compared to the 4-1 of the Bulldogs, so a Douglas win would mean a tie and necessitate a playoff game. Because this would be Winchester's turn to hold the district tournament (if there were one) Coach Edwin Barksdale swung the playoff game for the Douglas gym tmorrow night in event of that tie. A loss for Douglas would eliminate it, period, with just a couple of non-district games against Martinsburg and Hagerstown left to finish the schedule.

Not only are Luther Simms and Douglas the powerhouses of the league, but their girls' teams are equally strong. The Rockingham girls have dropped just one game in rolling over 10 opponents, while Douglas is unbeaten in five starts.

This is undoubtedly the top attraction of the basketball season at Douglas and the gym is expected to be filled early. Coach Barksdale, who hasn't missed on a prediction, yet, claims that his Bulldogs will make up that 19-point loss, although it's a terrific task.

Game time for the girls will be 7:30 o'clock with the boys following about 9 o'clock.

Carter, Gaskins High for Bulldogs

Douglas Swamps Leesburg's Douglass 68-43 With Powerful Second Half Rally

1-27-56

After a close first half at Douglas last night, the host Bulldogs poured it on Leesburg's Douglass to the tune of 68-43 for their fifth win in seven starts. Pacing the Bulldogs' attack were: John Carter with 22 points and Beverley Gaskins with 20.

Leaving the court with a halftime lead of 34-30, Douglas returned to the floor in full command of the situation as Carter paid off on his pump shots from the center and his layups, and Gaskins took care of the corner shots and some fast drive-in layups. When the ball wasn't going through the hoop, it was being taken care of on the rebound by Winchester's Robert Gaither, who also dipped into the double figure scoring with 11 points.

Bryant High

Charles Bryant of the visitors was their lone double figure man as he came through with 15 points on seven field goals and a free throw. Carter had nine goals, Gaskins had eight and Gaither finished with six.

Percentage paid off for Winchester as the Bulldogs made 27 out of 52 field goals attempted. Douglas made 18 out of 59 attempted.

Douglas used a 2-1-2 defense most of the game occasionally switching to a full press. On the offense, the fast break of the Bulldogs excelled in the first and fourth quarters and generally speaking they just outhustled the visitors in the second half.

Individual Work

Individually, James Stephenson of the Bulldogs was good on the layups, making three; Floyd Burks' fine passing set up the fast break and Bryan Cooke looked good around the pivot. For the visitors, Bryant's tap-in were terrific and his fast break with James Smith set up many of the Douglass scores. Smith fouled out in the third quarter, hurting his team's chances greatly.

Next on the list for the Bulldogs is a Feb. 2 game with Page-Jackson of Charles Town here.

DOUGLASS	G	FT	T
Bryant	7	1-4	15
Hall	0	1-1	1
Roberts, T.	1	0-1	2
Ashton	1	3-9	5
Roberts, C.	0	0-2	0
Smith	3	0-2	6
Jones	0	0-0	0
Rights	2	0-0	4
Clark	2	0-1	4
Hatcher	0	0-0	0
Simms	1	2-3	4
Roberts, J.	1	0-0	2
Totals	18	7 23	43

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Stephenson	3	2-4	8
Gaskins	8	4-8	20
Carter	9	4-9	22
Gaither	4	3-6	11
Burks	2	0-1	4
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Thomas	0	0-0	0
Totals	27	14-30	68

Score by periods:

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Scorer—Bartlett

Douglas Varsity, JV's Score Victories Over Page-Jackson

Gaskins, Gaither, Carter, Stephenson Hit Double Figures

2-3-56

The Douglas varsity had an easy time of it last night surprising a strong Page-Jackson of Charles Town quint by a 56-34 count, but the Winchester school's JV's had to pull their 26-25 win out of the fire in the last second of play.

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Not As Expected

The varsity game was expected to be close all the way, but a smooth clicking Douglas quint found the range with four men sharing top honors. John Carter turned in 15 points to retain his customary top ranking, but Beverley Gasking and James Stephenson were right behind with 12 points apiece and Robert Gaither had one of his best night with 11 points.

The Bulldogs' fast break, combined wtih outside shots, worked about 50 per cent of the time as the host quint simply outhustled Charles Town. On defense, the 2-1-2 of the Bulldogs was occasionally switched to a half-court press, but either way it worked as Page-Jackson failed to score more than 11 points in any one quarter.

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On percentage, the Bulldogs had the best of the evening with 24 out of 51 attempts compared to 13 out of 55 for Page-Jackson. George Rutherford of the West Virginians had their best evening with six field goals out of 15 attempts and a couple of free shots for 14 points. Carter had seven baskets out of 13 attempts. Ste- [illegible] out of 10 tries and Gaskins had five out of 15 go through the hoop. Lawrence Curry took one shot and it scored two points for Douglas.

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Braxton	1	3- 6	5
Kemp	0	0- 3	0
Baylor	2	1- 3	5
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M. Baylor	0	0- 1	0
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Berry	0	0- 0	0
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Thomas	0	0- 0	0
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Rubber Game Conceded by Harrisonburg

Douglas Bulldogs Capture Tournament Berth by Tripping Luther Simms 65-51

2-29-56

In defeating Luther Simms of Harrisonburg 65-51 last night at Douglas, the Bulldogs reversed an earlier loss (68-49) on the Rockingham County quint's court and stepped into the Group III Tournament picture.

Luther Simms Principal Austin Stitt and Coach William W. Perry issued a joint statement to the Evening Star this morning that their team would not be able to play the rubber game for the district title with Douglas because of other commitments tonight and tomorrow and were conceding to the Bulldogs. The schools are deadlocked at 5-1.

Roughest Game

The statement followed on the heels of the roughest game played this season by the two schools — one that found the visitors walking off the court with a minute and 20 seconds left, declaring a forfeit. As early as the second quarter, roughness took its toll on both sides when Robert Gaither and Robert Washington were sent to the sidelines by the officials for using their elbows on each other. Washington, star point-maker of the visitors who'd racked up a 40 total in the other meeting, was too hard to replace, and Luther Simms never recovered. At the time, the visitors were behind, Douglas having jumped to an early lead and held it the rest of the night.

Go to Hampton

With the win, Douglas will go to Hampton Institute next Friday for the opening round of the tournament. The date with Hagerstown for that night has been changed to March 1, Thursday. The Bulldogs are host to the Marylanders as well as to Martinsburg when the West Virginians come in for next Tuesday's game.

With James Stephenson, Floyd Burks and Gaither leading the way, the Bulldogs were off to an early lead of 29-20 at the half, although Washington was keeping the visitors in the game with four field goals before his untimely departure. After the intermission, John Carter began to open up as he teamed with Stephenson in assaulting the Luther Simms basket. When the smoke died down Carter had 20 points, Stephenson 15 and Burks 10. Lester Whitlow racked up 17 for the Harrisonburg quint as he turned in the game's best tap-in performance. Co-captain Lee of Luther Simms had 11 points, the only other man in the double figures.

Douglas' Percent Better

Percentage wise, Douglas had the edge, making 45.5 percent from the floor as compared to 28 percent for the visitors. But it was the Bulldog defense which shattered the previously unbeaten visitors. Staying to a man-for-man defense all the way, Coach Edwin Barksdale's lads poured the pressure on the Simms quint until accurate shooting was out of the question.

Individually, Stephenson looked good on the lay-ups and on corner shots; Carter was at his best in the late rally; Burks sank four goals from 30 to 35 feet outside; Gaither rebounded well, and Beverley Gaskins did an excellent job of passing off and played defensively fine for the limited time he was in the game.

LUTHER SIMMS	G	FT	T
Tolliver	0	2-2	2
Lee	4	3-4	11
Johnson	2	0-2	4
Temple	4	1-3	9
Washington	4	0-1	8
Dickerson	0	0-0	0
Watson	0	0-0	0
Whitlow	7	3-6	17
Totals	21	9-18	51

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Stephenson	7	1-3	15
Mason	3	0-2	6
Carter	10	0-3	20
Burks	5	0-1	10
Gaither	3	0-1	6
Thomas	0	0-0	0
Curry	0	0-0	0
Gaskins	3	2-6	8
Totals	31	3-16	65

Score by Periods:
LS — 13 7 17 14 - 51
D — 17 12 16 20 - 65

Officials — Craven & Fox
Timer — Clinton
Scorers — Bartlett & Ewell

Douglas Tries For Even Split Against Ramer

2-28-56

Douglas is host to another basketball team with which it would like to earn a split, for the season tonight with a single game beginning at 8 o'clock.

The opposition will be Ramer High of Martinsburg, owner of a 50-41 decision over the Bulldogs from their January 6 meeting on the West Virginians' court.

So far, these Bulldogs have done real well against the teams which have defeated them the first time around. Manassas whipped Douglas 45-38 and the Bulldogs reversed the count with a 41-33 win in their next meeting. Harrisonburg socked the Bulldogs 68-49, but the Winchester lads came back to even that series with a 65-51 win. The other losses in the Bulldogs' 9-5 record were to: Hagerstown, with the second game coming up Thursday night, and Leesburg in the second meeting of the schools, a top upset.

Visitors Are Tall

Martinsburg has height over the Bulldogs, but it lacks the speed. On a not night by the four sharpshooters of Douglas' starting five, Martinsburg will go by the board just like most of the rest.

Tonight's game and Thursday's are both out of the league for Douglas as it winds up its regular season in preparation for the State Group III Tournament at Hampton, Friday and Saturday. Douglas earned the right to go to the tourney when its undefeated District opponent, Harrisonburg, lost here last week and then conceded the playoff because of other commitments.

Wins by 48-47

Ramer Stops Douglas Five In Overtime

2-29-56

It took two overtime periods for Ramer High of Martinsburg to turn the trick on Douglas last night by a 48-47 score on the Virginians' hardwood. In their West Virginia meeting, Martinsburg was a 51-40 winner making it the only opponent this season to have an edge over the Bulldogs.

The visitors led in the important non-league tussle right down to the final moments of the regulation time, when Robert Gaither went in for a shot that tied it at 40-40. Then, for the first time, Douglas took the lead as Lee Mason sank his one and only basket of the game, making it 42-40 Bulldogs. After gaining possession of the ball in back court, the Bulldogs let it get away from them in bringing it up the floor and a Ramer player grabbed the ball and was off to the basket to send the game into overtime.

Mosby Ends Game

The winning bucket was a jump shot from the corner by Herbert Mosby in the sudden death period, ending what looked like a great Douglas recovery after a slow start. From the beginning, the Bulldogs were sluggish, although Gaither swished in four first half goals to keep them in the game. In the econd half and in the overtime, John Carter came through for the locals as he went on to a 17-point production, high for Winchester. Paul Williams of Ramer was top man in the game with 20 points, half of them in the first half, as he turned out to be the game's most valuable player.

Most of the game's rebounding was done by Tom Bullett, a six-five giant compared to the under-six-foot average of the Bulldogs. Usually a strong rebounder and defensive player, Gaither had a poor night on that count, fouling out to end the picture. Two others fouled out, Floyd Burks, too aggressive for the Bulldogs, and Ramer's Bullett who was off his usual shooting form. In the first game, Bullett shared top honors with Williams but was 16 points below him last night.

Bulldogs Good on Paper

Percentage-wise, the Bulldogs had the best of the show with a good 46.3 mark as compared to the 38.8 per cent of the visitors. The trouble was they didn't go up enough times until the sudden death, when the Bulldogs missed on each of the four shots they had to end the game in their favor. Douglas stuck to a man-for-man all the way.

Tomorrow night, the Bulldogs are hosts to Hagerstown for a JV Varsity doubleheader beginning at 7:30 o'clock. On Friday, the boys make the 230-mile trip to Hampton for the opening round of the State Group III Colored Basketball Tournament. To do any good there, they'll have to do a lot better than last night, particularly since it will be on a strange court.

RAMER—	G	FT	T
Mosby	3	5-10	11
Williams	10	0-3	20
Bullett	2	0-4	4
Nickens	0	0-1	0
Wilson	0	0-0	0
Koss	1	0-0	2
Creamer	5	1-2	11
Totals	21	6-20	48

DOUGLAS—			
Stephenson	3	1-5	7
Mason	1	0-2	2
Carter	7	3-5	17
Burks	2	1-3	5
Gaither	6	1-2	13
Curry	0	0-0	0
Thomas	0	0-0	0
Gaskins	1	1-3	3
Totals	20	7-20	47

3-14 Douglas Drops '56

Douglas ran into a tougher season than expected, winning nine and losing eight including the Bulldogs' one shot at the state finals at Hampton to end the year. In the 1954-55 season, the Bulldogs won the District 3 championship (this year, too) and went on to lose the opening round of the state tourney but they had a season mark of 14-6, considerably better than this year.

1956-1957

1956 Football

Douglas playing only a six game schedule, finished 2-4. This squad had only 17 players.

1956-1957 Basketball

The Bulldogs improved over last years with a 14-7 record. They were again District 3 Champions, defeated Abrams in the Region before losing to St Claire of Storemont in the State Tournament. They also were runner-up in the Tri-State Tournament.

Team members: Benjamin Brown, James Stephenson, John Carter, Tommy Washington, Lee Mason, James Walker, John Spencer, Kenneth Burke and James Carter.

Leading Scorer: John Carter 19 games 309 points 16.26% average

1956
Douglas Football
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Sept 22	Cardoza - Washington, DC	7	32
28	Page Jackson - Charles Town, WV	0	4
Oct 13	Watson - Covington, VA	0	30
20	Carver - Rockville, MD	32	0
27	Douglass - Leesburg VA	0	19
Nov 2	Carver - Culpeper VA	12	7

POINTS: Douglas - 51
Opponents - 90

Douglas Bulldogs Meet Tomorrow

8-9-56

The first meeting for the 1956 Douglas High football candidates will be held tomorrow at 5:30 p. m. at the school.

Coach Edwin Barksdale, who has had winning seasons ever since joining the Douglas staff, asks that all players bring pencils and notebooks.

First practice session for the Bulldogs will be Friday.

The Douglas schedule for this season is not complete yet, but the Bulldogs will open against Cardoza, probably in Washington.



Douglas High School 1956 Bulldogs football team. Front row, left to right: Kenneth Cary, John Spencer, Charles Corley, Allan Corley, James Stephenson, Shepherd Harris, Harold Scott; second row, left to right: Kenneth Burks, James Carter, John Carter, Garland Williams. (555-91)

Douglas Bulldogs Open At Cardoza This Friday

Coach Barksdale Pleased at Early Showing of Team

Big Problem Is Lack Of Good Opposition

9-18-56

By CHARLIE TAIT

The Douglas Bulldogs open their 1956 football season on Friday afternoon against the toughest foe they'll meet this year, Cardozo High,

The Washington, D. C. school is host for this one, the first time in three meetings games were thrillers. Cardozo winning 6-0 in 1954 and 14-0 in 1955.

Those scores are more significant when it's pointed out that the big Washington school has an enrollment in its senior class far greater than the entire Douglas enrollment.

WORRIED at first because of many key losses from the past two years, Coach Edwin Barksdale has since seen the light with the addition of new players, most

Because they have always run league since Barksdale joined the Douglas faculty, other schools are not anxious to meet them. As a result the Winchester Tech game but six games this year. Two other

lor of Warrenton on November 1 or 2 and with Carver of Culpeper on November 15 or 16. Both will

THE CARDOZO, the Bulldogs meet Page Jackson of Charles Town at Douglas on September 27. The West Virginians won the 1955 meeting by a 6-0 count.

On October 12, the Bulldogs go to Covington to meet Watson High, a team which they whipped last year by that same 6-0 count.

Carver High of Rockville comes in for an October 19 date. It lost to Douglas twice last year, 14-0 and 19-4.

Douglass of Leesburg is scheduled for two games against the Bulldogs. October 26 and November 8, the first away and the second at Winchester.

If William Taylor and Carver of Culpeper don't come through it's going to be a long time between games.

COACH BARKSDALE has a first rate assistant in John B. Cooke, telephone company employee, who is helping out with the team again. The pair have several lettermen to build this year's team around. Among them is Quarterback John Carter, five-11, 164, a junior who runs well, does the passing, hands off well and will be the backfield mainstay.

Also in the offensive starting backfield will be James Nelson, five-8½, 175, junior, fast and is the team's leading

Kenneth Burks, five-five, 155,

Garland Williams, five-six, 140, junior who runs right up there with the fastest on the squad and

Carter, five-nine, senior, a hard

Curry, five-seven, 150, sophomore who can plunge hard.

left guard James Stephenson were all-Conference players last year, the first two on the second team and the two linemen on the first team. Newman is a 195-pounder six feet tall and a senior who can block well, is mean on defense and a consistant player. Stephenson is a five-seven 188 pounder who was consistant all last season.

At left end is Harold Scott, a six-three lad who tips the scales at 190, kicks off, punts and can go back to pass. Center Allen Corley may have to share the spot with Leon Bailey, both five-six although Corley carries about 15 more pounds at 170.

RIGHT GUARD is Charles Corley, five-eight, 169 and a sophomore who is already a steady player. Right tackle is John Spencer, the extra point man, who stands six-one and weights 184.

At right end, Douglas has a choice between Melvin Cooper, six-four and Kenneth Cary, five-11. Both are freshmen, with Cooper being the faster but Cary being a good blocker.

Defensively, the Bulldogs will line up from left end across the line like this: Melvin Cooper, John Spencer, Stephen Newman, James Carter, William Dyer (rough), and linebackers — Charles Corley and Theodore Tolliver. The middle back is James Stephenson; the secondary men are Lawrence Curry and Harold Scott and the safety man is John Carter.

ACCORDING to Barksdale, Tolliver is the best looking prospect on the field. He's a five-seven demon on defense and his tackles have hurt the entire varsity backfield. All of that and three years of eligibility left after this his freshman year.

Other prospects with promise are Lamont Johnson, back; George Curry, back; Raymond Blount, back; August Gaskins, [illegible] Williams, back; and Saul Alexander, end; and J. O. Arlington, guard. Most of this group belongs to the freshman class.

Game time Friday is set for 2

Bulldogs Score First

Douglas Defeated 32-7 by Cardozo As Strength Tells

9-22-56

Douglas High of Winchester had the satisfaction of scoring first against District Champion Cardoza yesterday afternoon at Old Central High School in Washington but was finally was overcome 32-7.

For two years, the Bulldogs have been able to hold the Washington powerhouse to close scores, but strength told yesterday as the hosts scored five touchdowns and a safety. Douglas never let them [illegible] point [illegible] method of point [illegible] itself.

THE DOUGLAS TD came on a jump pass from John Carter to a 50-yard march following the opening kickoff. For the extra point, John Carter passed to James Carter.

Thomas Stephens and Norris Little scored for the Cardozo foe, before the quarter was over, the former scooting down the left side for 40 yards and Little making his TD from the 13.

Harold Scott, back to punt for the Bulldogs late in the second quarter, was sent into the end zone after a bad pass from center and ended up with a safety. That made it 14-7 and Halfback Francis Daniels made it 20-7 six plays later, going over from the 10.

RIGHT END Marshal James scored on a pass from the quarterback, Stephens, in the third on a play which covered nine yards.

The final score crossed in the fourth quarter as William Pinkney, a sub, took the handoff and went into the end zone from 12 yards out. James Stephenson of the Bulldogs broke through to block the extra point try.

Without a question, yesterday's game was the toughest the Bulldogs will have to worry about this season.

Next on the schedule is a home game for Douglas with Page-Jackson of Charles Town, W. Va., supplying the opposition. It's a Thursday afternoon affair.

Two Safeties Expensive for Douglas As Page-Jackson Wins 4-0 in Mud

Host Bulldogs Drop Second Straight Game

9-28-56

When Douglas and Page-Jackson schedule a football game, they intend to play it, regardless.

That's exactly what happened yesterday afternoon on the Bulldogs' home field despite a driving rain which started early in the day and didn't quit. The West Virginians turned out to be better mudders, eventually winning 4-0 on a pair of safeties.

THE 50 FANS who turned out for the game watched from parked cars, but the players, coaches, officials and scorers slopped up and down the 100 yards of clinging mud and slick grass until the end.

For the most part, the game was played between the 30-yard stripes, but a bad pass from center and poor judgment on a kick-off return downed the pigskin twice behind the Bulldogs' goal.

The West Virginians couldn't crack the forward wall of Douglas. On one occasion in the second quarter, they moved to the one-yard line with a first-and goal to go. Four smashes aimed at left [illegible] but it did lead to the first score.

THE FOURTH DOWN effort of the Mountaineer Sliders was a [illegible] old Scott went into the end zone to punt out of danger. He never had a chance, the ball being passed [illegible] he could do was fall on it for the safety.

The next score came four plays later, although intermission was in between. The kickoff from Quarterback Branson was taken by John Carter on the 20, but the Bulldog signal caller wasn't content to play it safe. He raced across the field in a vain attempt to avoid the West Virginians and wound up behind his own goal with several Page-Jackson tacklers wrapped around him. That made it 4-0 and ended the scoring for the afternoon.

THE CLOSEST the Bulldogs ever made it to the West Virginians' goal was their 17-yard line, but one of the many fumbles cost them the ball. During that drive, the carrying of Garland Williams, Kenneth Burks and Lawrence Curry was the big factor.

In the closing moments of the game, a pass from John Carter to Kenneth Cary went all the way from the Douglas 46 to the visitors' 30, but another fumble lost the ball two plays before time ran out in the battle.

Punting was an important part of this game, the kicks by Scott and Branson keeping each other bottled up and out of trouble. When the break came, it was on punt formation.

FIRST DOWNS were at a premium. Douglas gathering in three to the five made for the visitors.

For Douglas, James Stephenson, Newman, Charles Corley, John Carter, Kenneth Burks, Lamont Johnson, Scott and Melvin Cooper all played a fine game—good enough to have made a win if they had ever found that key break.

The next game for the Bulldogs won't be until October 12 when they make the long trip to Covington. With a good afternoon the Bulldogs may break into the win son and end this present two-game loss streak.

[illegible] two games in [illegible] but playing [illegible] been too much for the Bulldogs. It takes more than a light backfield to move in a sea of mud and

Page-Jackson		Douglas
Rutherford	LE	Scott
Brown	LT	Newman
Newman	LG	Stephenson
Thomas	C	Corley, A.
Bailey	RG	Corley, C.
Harris	RT	Harris
Branson, J.	RE	Cary.
Branson, B.	QB	Carter
Smith	HB	Williams
Kemp	HB	Burkes
Taylor	FB	Nelson

Score by Periods:

Page-Jackson	0	2	2	0	—4
Douglas	0	0	0	0	—0

Bulldogs Lose

Douglas Plays Without First String Players

10-13-56

When trouble comes, it lands in bunches.

That's what happened to Douglas High's Bulldogs last night against Winchester High at Cooley ton.

Already having suffered two heavy losses, the Bulldogs had figured to get back on the win trail against the Covington eleven, even without the services of ailing fullback James Carter. But it was to be as the Winchester [illegible] went with [illegible] second stringers.

COACH Edwin Barksdale had to field a team that was minus his ace quarterback, John Carter, left guard James Stephenson, right guard Charles Corley, center Allen Corley, halfback Kenneth Burks, halfback Garland Williams, fullback Lawrence Curry, and left tackle John Spencer.

Covington scored twice in the second quarter. Leslie intercepted a pass from Lamont Johnson and went 55 yards for the opening score. The Douglas line broke up the try for extra point. Then, late in the same quarter, Carl Brown went through the middle from the seven-yard line and the try was no good again as a run was jammed by the middle of the Douglas line.

In the third quarter, Frank Burks took a pass from Helton and went 30 yards for the TD. For the third straight time a try through the line failed for the extra point.

THE SCORING re-opened in the fourth quarter as Carl Brown took a pass from Helton on the midfield stripe and went all the way through the Bulldogs secondary and into the end zone standing up. Another run missed for the extra point.

Late in the game, Helton passed to his right end Randy Jackson at the 9-yard line and he went into pay dirt for the final score. The fifth straight try for extra point was no good as Melvin Cooper knocked down a pass from Helton in the end zone.

The shining lights of the Bulldogs were: Lamont Johnson at the brand new quarterback position, George Curry at halfback, James Nelson and Melvin Cooper at end, Kenneth Cary at tackle, and a new man on the team, Louis Newman at center. He was a surprisingly good sub for the missing Allen Corley.

Ninth Graders Look Good

Douglas Bulldogs End Winless Streak With Decisive 32-0 Win Over Carver

10-20-56

Behind the quarterbacking of John Carter and the running of Lawrence Curry, the Douglas Bulldogs ran over visiting Carver High of Rockville, Md. yesterday afternoon 32-0.

Along with that pair of heroes, the work on defense of two ninth graders, Harold Scott and Melvin Cooper, was one for the records. Scott, a six-three and a half giant, and Cooper, at six-two, broke through on many plays to smother the Carver offense which was held to two first downs.

One of those first downs was on a game-ending pass and the other was through the line in the third quarter.

THE VICTORY broke a three-game losing streak for the Bulldogs, the longest one since Edwin Barksdale took over as head coach.

After last week's big loss to Covington when Douglas made the 300-mile trip with just a 12-man (mostly second string) squad, this week was a different story.

The tackling was crisp and hard, the passing was dangerous all the time and the running was explosive.

John Carter sneaked over for the first touchdown from the two-yard line to end a 27-yard march that began with a Carver fumble.

Garland Williams plunged over from the seven for the second TD to end a 57-yard drive.

THE THIRD touchdown was tallied by Lawrence Curry on a 20-yard burst down the right sideline to climax an 85-yard march.

For the fourth TD, all that was needed was one play, a pass down the middle from Carter to Kenneth Curry at midfield with the speedster going the rest of the way without a hand being laid on him for a 67-yard score.

Carter kept on a right side sweep for the final TD from the six-yard line.

The try for point after touchdown after the first, third and fifth scores were no good, but Carter passed to Harold Scott for the second [illegible] and passed to Kenneth Burks for the fourth TD point.

THE MARYLANDERS' attack produced three yards (net) on the ground in the entire game, but their passing was even more futile against an alert Douglas defense. On 14 occasions, passes by Carver were incomplete; three times they were intercepted and twice they were complete.

Douglas completed three of 11 and had one intercepted as well as having one go for the distance.

In addition to his touchdown run, Curry galloped once for 45 yards; took a pass from Carter for 20 yards; smacked through the middle twice for 12; and went around end for 38 yards. His net total was over 140 yards, a terrific performance.

ONE OF HIS running mates, fullback James Nelson, was covering himself with glory as well as he smashed the middle of the Carver line each time he carried for steady gains. His plunges set up Curry down the sides and off the tackles.

In the line besides Scott and Cooper, Stephen Newman, James Stephenson, Louis Newman, Charles Corley, Shepherd Harris and Kenneth Cary turned in good games.

Quarterback Vinson Plummer and Halfback Dewey Isreal were continuous threats for the visitors but they didn't have a line like Douglas to open ohles for them.

Next week, the Bulldogs have a 1:30 Friday game at Leesburg's Douglass High.

Statistics Even but Not Score

Leesburg Lives up to Three Touchdown Boast by Trouncing Douglas High 19-0

10-27-56

Last Friday afternoon, Douglas of Leesburg predicted it would defeat Winchester's Douglas when the Bulldogs played there yesterday.

The Loudoun County players even went better than that by saying it would be a three-touchdown margin. They couldn't have been righter, because they took the Bulldogs into camp yesterday 19-0 in a slow drizzle.

Scoring a TD a quarter until drawing a blank in the final period, Douglass showed off its vaunted passing attack by quarterback Charlie Bryant and its end sweeps by fullback Leonard Day.

WINCHESTER had a sound ground attack behind the hand-offs of quarterback Randy Carter, but everytime it clicked, a pass went off the beam to end the drive. In first downs, Winchester picked up seven, the same as Leesburg, but down near the goal it always lost its steam.

Both sides fumbled or lost the ball on interceptions several times as rough tackling on the slick surface made holding it difficult.

The first touchdown took just three plays from scrimmage after Leesburg got the ball. A kickoff fumble put the Bulldogs in trouble, and a long loss made it so bad that the visitors resorted to punting on third down. That was worse yet, as Harold Scott's [illegible] gave Leesburg [illegible] possession on the Winchester 20-yard line.

DAY WAS STOPPED cold; halfback Thomas Roberts made five; and then Bryant lofted one of his soft passes deep into the end zone to the galloping Harry Chinn. In behind the secondary, the tall right end gathered in the pigskin and merely touched it down for the score. Bryant's placement was low.

The second quarter TD shouldn't have happened. Moving nicely with the ball toward the Lesburg goal, Carter went back for a third down pass. It should have been thrown to the outside, but the Douglas star let it go more toward the middle and into the hands of Bryant. Forty-seven yards back downfield, Carter finally caught the speeding back despite two men blocking him.

IT SAVED, the score for the moment, but a flip back from Bryant to Day went all the way to the Douglas one-yard line on a 22-yard gain. The next play was a buck at the middle by Bryant for the score. That time he faked the placement and passed into the end zone to Day for the 13th point.

If the second score shouldn't have happened, the third was worse. A bad pass from center on fourth down sailed over the head of Scott and didn't stop rolling for 30 yards where Leesburg took possession on the Winchester 28-yard line.

Bryant took charge of that touchdown march with a pass to Roberts for 10 yards and another to the same halfback for 17 more to the one. For the third time, Bryant flipped one to Roberts scoring the TD as the back got in behind Garland Williams in the end zone. Bryant's kick was no good again and the scoring was over for the afternoon.

THE BULLDOGS put on a strong drive in the closing moments which made good yardage every time Carter sent his backs, Lawrence Curry and Jams Nelson through the middle of the line. But he didn't stay there trying a sweep and then a couple of passes which [illegible] possession.

Defensively, the Bulldogs weren't outplayed although a couple of breaks would have made them look a lot better in the scoring column. Both of the big Bulldog ends, Harold Scott and Kenneth Cary turned in exceptional games, making difficult tackles and not being taken in by the reverses and fakes pulled by the Leesburg backs.

IF TWO MEN had to be singled out for praise, it would be the quarterbacks, Bryant and Carter. Each made their team's offense click and each was fine on defense. Both are dangerous passers although Carter's tries suffered most because no one was blocking out the rushers.

Some of the rough stuff led to the eviction of two players for fighting—Day for Leesburg and James Stephenson for Winchester. It took the officials and half of each bench to break up a mob fight that broke out in the final half when tempers were thin all around.

Next week is Homecoming for Douglas.

LINEUPS

Douglas	Pos.	Douglass
Scott	LE	Roberts
Spencer	LG	Lane
Stephenson	LG	Jackson
Newman	C	Baltimore
Corley	RG	Lucas
Harris	RT	Thornton
Cary	RF	Chinn
Carter	QB	Bryant
Curry	HB	Ashton
Williams	HB	Roberts
Nelson	FB	Day

Queen to be Crowned

Douglas, Carver of Culpeper In Bulldogs' Homecoming Tilt

10-31-56

Douglas High will play host to Carver of Culpeper here tomorrow in the Bulldogs' annual Homecoming game which will be highlighted by the crowning of a Homecoming Queen. Game time is 2 p. m.

Coach Edwin Barksdale's boys will be trying to pull this one off and get back into the win column after a stinging 19-0 defeat at the hands of Douglass of Leesburg last week.

The Bulldogs, using a "T" formation principally, plan both a ground and aerial attack with Quarterback John Carter expected to unlimber his throwing arm for the passing assault.

Douglas goes into the fray with a record of one win and four defeats.

Carver has a record of three victories, one loss and a tie. But in spite of the better record Carver is a Group III school and is expected to be short on reserves as compared to the local lads. Douglas is a Group II school.

This should make some difference in favor of the Bulldogs. But they will have to cope with one of the fastest backfields in Group II in the Carver eleven. It'll be a test for the Bulldogs' big ends, Harold Scott and Kenneth Cary, too.

IN THE SCORING department, John Carter has the best record with two touchdowns this year. John Spencer, Lawrence Curry, Kenneth Cary and Garland Williams each have one.

James Carter, Harold Scott and K. Burks have extra points to their credit.

George Curry will be sidelined for the game. He is in a cast, suffering from torn ligaments in the Leesburg game last week.

James Bennington is Athletic Director of the visitors.

The only win by Douglass this year was over Carver of Rockville, Md., by a 32-0 score. They have lost to Cardoza, 32-7; Page-Jackson, 4-0; Covington, 30-0 and Douglass of Leesburg, 19-6.

A HIGH POINT in tomorrow's Homecoming events will be the crowning of Jacqueline Williams, an eighth grader, as Homecoming Queen.

She will be crowned and given a trophy by James Stephenson, team captain, assisted by co-captains John Carter and James Nelson.

The Queen will be introduced by Principal K. N. Gaskins.

Members of her Court are Arlene Blowe, Margaret Jackson, Joy Ann Gaskins and Janice Williams.

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Douglas 12-7 Winner Over Carver in Mud and Rain

The Douglas Bulldogs bounced back in the fourth quarter yesterday to overcome a one-point deficit and beat Carver of Culper, 12-7, in the rain and mud.

A 51-yard drive in the final quarter, including a 31-yard run by Quatrerback John Carter, and a bad kick by the visitors set up the winning touchdown for Douglas.

The Bulldogs were strong on defense, and held Carver to 41 yards rushing. It was a fitting victory for Douglas. Not only was it the last game of the season but it was the Bulldogs' Homecoming. Jacqueline Williams, an eighth grader, was crowned as Homecoming Queen at halftime by Principal K. N. Gaskins. She received a trophy by James Stephenson, team captain, assisted by co-captains John Carter and James Nelson.

The Bulldogs turned in a good performance in beating Carver, as the visitors are a Group I school. Douglas is in Group III.

The win left Douglas with a season record of two wins and four losses to date The other victory was a 32-0 win over Carver of Rockville, Md. The Bulldogs lost to Cardozo, Covington, Douglass of Leesburg and Page-Jackson of Charles Town, W. Va.

Douglas scored first yesterday on the muddy field, when Lawrence Curry, fullback, went over in the closing minutes of the second quarter.

Late in that quarter, the Bulldogs drove to the Carver 9-yard line and James Nelson carried to the one. Curry took it over but the play was called back on an offside penalty. That put the ball back on the six. Curry carried again but fumbled and Carver recovered on their three. On the third down, Carver punted from the end zone to their 26-yard line.

NELSON CARRIED for Douglas down to the Carver 5. On the next play, Curry went over right guard for the touchdown Wallace Rucker of Carver knocked down the pass in the extra point attempt. The gun sounded for the half after one more play and Douglas led 6-0.

The roof caved in on the Bulldogs in the early minutes of the third quarter Douglas had the ball on its own 30 and Early Scott went back to punt and got a bad snap from center. He fell on the ball on his own 10 for a 20-yard loss.

On the fourth down, Scott went back to punt again, standing on his own 5-yard line. He fumbled and Carver's left end, John Williams, recovered for the visitors on the 5.

On the third play, William Dennis, Carver quarterback, went over for the visitor's only touchdown of the afternoon Dennis passed to Jessie Frye for the extra point and Carver led, 7-6.

THE TURNING point came in the fourth quarter for the Bulldogs. They moved the ball from their 29 to Carver's 20 in a 51-yard drive. John Carter had the longest run of the day with a 31-yard gain around right end. James Stephenson gave Carter a key block in the run.

The Bulldogs then had a first down on the Carver 20. After Nelson and Carter picked up three yards, Kenneth Curry, right end, took a reverse from Carter and fumbled. Williams again recovered for the visitors on the 24.

Carver failed to gain on three plays. On the fourth down with 12 yards to go, Harvey Brocte,

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Dec	1	Andrew Jackson – Luray, VA	56	7
Jan	5	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	46	37
	9	Luther Jackson – Fairfax, VA	54	69
	11	Andrew Jackson – Luray, VA	90	21
	12	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	56	38
	19	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	57	33 53
	24	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	38	62
	26	Ramer – Martinsburg, VA	58	35
	30	Carver – Rockville, MD	54	49
Feb	1	Ramer – Martinsburg, WV	53	34
	8	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	60	62
	13	Luther Jackson – Fairfax, VA	45	77
	16	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	88	66
	20	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	62	49
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	22	Andrew Jackson – Luray, VA	68	23
		Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	59	57
		REGION		
Mar	4	Abrams	66	37
		STATE TOURNAMENT		
	11	St Claire Walker, Storemont, VA	48	63
	13	Douglass – Leesburg, VA (Practice game)	59	61
		TRI-STATE TOURNAMENT		
	22	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	51	41
	23	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	39	50

Points: Douglas – 1207
Opponents - 971



Douglas High School 1956-1957 basketball team. Front row, left to right: John B. Brown, John Carter, James Walker, Clifford Lee Mason; second row, left to right: Thomas Washington, Raymond Blowe, James Stephenson, Ronald Moten; third row, left to right: Coach Edwin K. Barksdale, James Carter, John Spencer, Frank Lavender. (555-77d)

Douglas Host to Luray In Tomorrow's Opener

Husky Bulldogs Can Run, Shoot But Lack Height

12-5-56

The Douglas Bulldogs open their basketball season tomorrow night with a home doubleheader against Luray's Andrew Jackson High.

A girls' game will start this evening at 7:30 with the varsities to collide in the nightcap.

Luray has a seasoned varsity with a height advantage over the Winchester school, but the husky Bulldogs have speed, shooting ability and a new system.

According to Coach Edwin Barksdale, who has been quite successful in all sports at Douglas, this new method is going to be given a good try. The basic principal is shooting 100 times during the 48 minutes of action.

WITH 30 PER CENT production on 100 shots, the Bulldogs will have 60 points even without an occasional free throw being made. This type play, of course, will take a fast-breaking team, and that's exactly what the Douglas mentor believes he has.

The forwards for Douglas in the starting line-up will be Benjamin Brown, five-five, and James Stephenson, five-seven. At center, it's a toss-up between a pair of six-footers, John Carter, the veteran, and Tommy Washington, the newcomer.

Carter has the experience and ability, but Washington is turning out to be quite a shooter although a little on the awkward side, so far.

THE GUARDS WILL be Lee Mason, five-10, and James Walker, five-11. Just like the rest of the starters, these two are very fast.

Some height is in the substitute list with John Spenser being the tallest at six-two. Kenneth Burks is the most likely man to see starting action later on, while a good outside man is Ronald Moten.

Last year, the Bulldogs had a seasonal mark of 9-8, considerably behind the 1954-55 record of 14-6, but they still had a crack at the State III Championship. That chance was lost in the opening round, just the way it was in 1954-55.

THE MAN WHO LED the scorparade in 1954-55 was John Carter with a grand total of 334. Last year he dropped to 259 points but still had a 17.2 average per game.

Beverley Gaskins who sank 207 points for a 13.5 average, has graduated. Another Douglas standout, Robert Galther, won't be back this year either, but Coach Barksdale has plenty of experience on his squad if he can only compensate for the lack of height.

This year's team could be the most interesting produced at Douglas, depending on conditioning and will to win. The football team was plagued by a lack of both on occasion this year, but most of the trouble was ironed out toward the end of the season.

Douglas Wins First Cage Game, 56-7 Girls Also Victors

12-7-56

Douglas High School opened its 1956 basketball season on the local hardwoods last night with a 56-7 win over Andrew Jackson High School of Luray. The Douglas girls' squad also chalked up an 18-12 victory of the girls from the same school.

Douglas looked fairly good during the romp over the unexperienced visitors. The Bulldogs used a full court press most of the way.

Douglas High Upsets Page Jackson 46-37

James Stephenson Scores 19 Points To Lead Bulldogs

1-5-57

Douglas High surprised host Charles Town's Page Jackson 46-37 last night before a crowd of over 300 screaming fans.

To James Stephenson, short forward of the Bulldogs, went the big share of the win. He scored 19 points from the outside and along the free-throw line to put the Bulldogs out in front to stay.

Although Charles Town presented the best club the area has to offer in Group III ball, plus plenty of height, the hustling Bulldogs from Winchester swept to a 32-18 third period lead and were able to hold off a late rally.

AT ONE STAGE in the fourth period, the Douglas quint was down to a four-point lead at 32-29, but the Page Jackson full court press was soon solved and the Bulldogs went out ahead by nine.

Against Douglas' starting quint of no-six-footers, Page Jackson had three over the six-one mark, but all of its class went in vain as Walker and Mason controlled the backboards and Tommy Washington and John Carter stole the ball and went in for early shots.

Carter wasn't far behind Stephenson with 14 points, while Rutherford, six-three center of the hosts, connected 15 points to lead his mates.

IN THE PRELIMINARY game, the Douglas JV's won easily as they held the Charles Town youngsters to one point in the second half on a great defensive show. The final score was 30-9 with Webster Washington's 11 points leading the way. Moten's rebounding was a key factor in the win, while Long was hot on his outside shots to rack up seven points. Raymond Blowe turned in a fine floor game.

Next on the varsity and JV schedule is a twin bill at Luther Jackson (Fairfax County) next Tuesday night. On Thursday, the Bulldogs play Luray and Harrisonburg on Friday with both games being preceded by girl's games.

BENNY BROWN, a TV tap dancing specialist, went in for John Carter late in the game when the Douglas ace fouled out and turned in a good game. The fact that he played good at all was something to see since he was guarding a six-two opponent from his five-four height. On one play, according to Coach Edwin Barksdale, Benny went right through his opponent's legs for a layup. Or at least that's the way it appeared.

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Stephenson	8	3- 4	19
Washington	2	0- 0	4
Carter	7	0- 0	14
Walker	1	0- 0	2
Mason	1	3- 5	5
Spencer	0	0- 0	0
Brown	1	0- 0	2
Burks	0	0- 0	0
Carter	0	0- 0	0
TOTALS	20	6-12	46

PAGE JACKSON	G	FT	T
Bailey	1	0- 0	2
Thomas	3	1- 4	7
Rutherford	5	5- 6	15
Stevenson	1	1- 3	3
Baylor	3	0- 3	6
Willis	0	0- 0	0
Jackson	0	0- 0	0
Burns	0	2- 3	2
Newman	0	0- 0	0
Sims	0	0- 0	0
Branson	0	0- 2	0
Totals	13	11-21	37

Score by periods:
D — 8 20 32 46
PG — 6 18 29 37

Luther Jackson Stops Douglas Quint 69-54

Carter, Washington Are Bulldogs' Stars

1-9-57

Group III Douglas found Group II Luther Jackson too much last night at the Fairfax County school and lost by 15 points, 69-54.

But Coach Edwin Barksdale's enthusiasm wasn't dimmed by the defeat. According to him (he's usually right about the Bulldogs) the return bout between the two quints at Douglas on February 12 will be anyone's game.

The difference was Jackson's George Davis, a six-four center who dunked the ball in all night and ended up with 28 points, only two of them from the free-throw line.

THE HIGHEST SCORER of the hosts, Robert Grayson, was held to 10 points by the Bulldogs, five behind their middle man, William Jackson with 15 points.

John Carter and Tommy Jackson shared the scoring honors for the Winchester school getting 20 and 15 points respectively—mostly on jump shots. Washington didn't work up a head of steam until the second half when he hit 12 points, but Carter had five field goals in each half.

After a nip-and-tuck first quarter which ended with Luther Jackson a point ahead at 15-14, the hosts ran away to stay in the second. At intermission, it was 37-25 and 51-38 after three periods.

RIGHT THERE, the Bulldogs put on a rally of six field goals to nope which pulled them up to four points behind Jackson, but the Fairfax quint opened up the margin in the final moments to win going away.

Tomorrow night, Douglas has a home game against Andrew Jackson of Luray which the Bulldogs are favored to win as they please. On Friday, the Douglas quint is host to Simms of Harrisonburg.

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Stephenson	1	0-2	2
Washington	5	5-8	15
Carter, Jo.	10	0-0	20
Walker	3	1-7	7
Mason	3	0-0	6
Spenser	0	0-2	0
Brown	0	0-0	0
Carter, Ja.	0	0-0	0
Totals	22	10-18	54

JACKSON	G	FT	T
Thomas	4	1-4	9
Duncan	0	3-4	3
Davis	13	2-5	28
Tate	0	0-0	0
Collins	0	0-0	0
Jackson	7	1-1	15
Weeks	0	0-0	0
Kannon	2	0-1	4
Smith	0	0-0	0
Agee	0	0-0	0
Grayson	5	0-2	10
Harns	0	0-0	0
Totals	31	7-13	18

Douglas Romps 90-21 Over Andrew Jackson

Visitors Held To Nine Points In Best Period

1-11-57

Unleashing its best scoring punch of the season, Douglas romped over Andrew Jackson of Luray 90-21 last night in the nightcap of a twin bill win for the host school.

The Douglas girls opened the evening with a 24-7 victory over the Luray girls as Maggie Burks and Janice Williams dropped in nine points apiece.

In the varsity game, John Carter led the way with 22 points, but he was only one of five starters in double figures. James Stephenson racked up 17 points as he made a good comeback from a weak performance on Tuesday; Tommy Washington and James Walker scored 12 points each; and Lee Mason made 10.

NONE OF THE VISITORS made it into the double figure zone, but Richard Veney accounted for nine of his team's points.

Coach Edwin Barksdale's lads used a full court press all the way and killed off the visitors by their fast breaking. Before it was over, 11 different players had a share in the scoring and five others were in the game for Douglas.

There wasn't any question of superiority, as the Bulldogs went in fast from the beginning with a 32-point first period while Luray was held to five. In the second quarter, Andrew Jackson was out of it altogether as it came up with a two-point job on a pair of free throw by Veney. At intermission, it was 41-7.

THIRTEEN of the Douglas points were made by the junior varsity which was in long enough to commit nine of the 14 personal fouls charged against the Bulldogs. Luray committed eight fouls with the host making but four points from the free throw line. The difference in field goals was 43-7.

The win was the third of the season for the Bulldogs against a lone loss, to Luther Jackson of Fairfax (54-69). The wins have been over: Andrew Jackson on opening night (56-7); and Page Jackson of Charles Town (43-37).

TONIGHT, Douglas gets away from the Jacksons, meeting Simms of Harrisonburg in a varsity-girls doubleheader on the Bulldogs' court. This will be more of a test for the Winchester team.

The first game is scheduled for 7:30 o'clock with the varsity getting underway about 9 o'clock.

JACKSON	G	FT	T
Hall	0	4- 7	4
Veney, R.	3	3- 8	9
Taylor	0	0- 0	0
Veney, E.	1	0- 5	2
Tutt	2	0- 2	4
Johnson	1	0- 1	2
Veney, S.	0	0- 0	0
Bundy	0	0- 0	0
Haines	0	0- 0	0
Totals	7	7-23	21

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Stephenson	8	1- 4	17
Washington, T.	6	0- 0	12
Carter, Jo.	10	2- 3	22
Walker	6	0- 2	12
Mason	5	0- 0	10
Spenser	1	0- 0	2
Brown	1	0- 0	2
Carter, Ja.	0	0- 0	0
Long	1	0- 0	2
Moten	2	0- 0	4
Blowe	0	0- 2	0
Washington, W.	3	1- 2	7
Nelson	0	0- 0	0
Lavender	0	0- 0	0
Carter, L.	0	0- 0	0
Totals	45	4-13	90

Douglas Wins Fourth of Season By Rocking Harrisonburg 56-38

1-12-57

Douglas won its fourth in five games last night, defeating Simms High of Harrisonburg 56-38 here.

The Bulldogs moved ahead soon after the whistle started the game and stayed there the rest of the way. John Carter was high man of the evening for the hosts with 22 points, but he had to share honors with Tommy Temple of the visitors who had the same total.

The full court press worked against Simms as it did against the other Douglas opponents, but last night the shots were missing after the Bulldogs stole the ball.

TOMMY WASHINGTON and Carter were the big second half guns who widened the margin of victory, but Carter paired with Lee Mason to start the hosts off right.

When it was over, Washington had 10 points and Mason had 12. No one else in the game was in the double figures.

Temple was right in there with Carter as he made nine baskets to 10 for the Douglas ace. Both made them the same way—jump shots from just outside the circle and around the foul line.

THE ONE MAN to go out along the personal foul route was the hosts' James Walker, but he did a great job [illegible] was any good on free throws.

According to Coach Edwin Barksdale, this could be the best Douglas quint he's handled, unless overconfidence steps in the way. Although the Bulldogs don't have any height, they have plenty of hustle and are good ball handlers.

Next on the list is a Tuesday game at home against Rockville's Carver High and then the Bulldogs go to Simms next Friday for the return match.

SIMMS—	G	FT	T
Temple	9	4- 7	22
Watson	2	0- 5	4
Johnson	3	0- 2	6
Scott	1	0- 1	2
Jackson	0	0- 0	0
Burgess	0	0- 0	0
Dickenson	0	0- 2	0
Sampson, W.	0	0- 0	0
Sampson, R.	0	0- 0	0
Blakey	2	0- 2	4
Totals	17	4-19	38

DOUGLAS—			
Stephenson	3	0- 2	6
Washington	5	0- 2	10
Carter	10	2- 4	24
Walker	2	0- 1	4
Mason	6	0- 1	12
Spenser	0	0- 0	0
Brown	1	0- 2	2
Moten	0	0- 0	0
	27	2-12	56

Bulldogs Stop Simms 57-33

Douglas Wins Fifth to Take Lead In Virginia Interscholastic Loop

1-19-57

Making the picture complete for local team wins, Douglas caught up with a fast-breaking Simms' quint at Harrisonburg last night and brought home a 57-33 victory.

It was the fifth win in six starts for the Bulldogs and put them at the top of the Virginia Interscholastic Association heap with a 4-0 record. In the Tri-State League Douglas has a 1-0 record.

Big man for Douglas last night was John Carter with 21 points as he hit 10 field goals out of 22 attempts. He had to take a second place to the hosts' Tommy Temple who racked up 22 points, but the Simms' ace had field goals.

DOUGLAS had two other players in double figures: James Stephenson with 14 and Lee Mason with 11.

Douglas went all the way with a man-for-man but had to come from behind to make the win stick. Simms started fast and held a lead until late in the third quarter when the Bulldogs surged ahead by five points.

Tommy Washington and Mason fouled out, but the Bulldogs had the game tucked away, making it a sweep over the club which they had defeated 56-38 here.

THE JUNIOR VARSITY game was no runaway, either, the Winchester boys winning by two points 25-23. Raymond Blowe was the high point-getter with nine as he put on a second half rally for all of his total.

The visitors held a 14-3 lead at the end of the first half.

Individually in the varsity game, Stephenson showed plenty of hustle and was keen on his shooting with seven out of 21 from many different angles. Washington was aggressive; James Walker cleared both boards; Mason was on with his shooting; and Benny Brown put in the clinching baskets.

THE TAP-DANCING Bulldog went in for a nifty layup with Douglas out in front by a point. On the play he was fouled as the ball went through the hoop. The tree points he picked up right there decided the game.

Next on the list for the Bulldogs is a game at Douglass of Leesburg on the 23rd.

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Stephenson	7	0-4	14
Washington	1	2-4	4
Carter	10	1-4	21
Walker	2	0-2	4
Mason	0	0-0	0
Brown	1	1-1	3
Totals	25	7-21	57

SIMMS	G	FT	T
Temple	8	6-9	22
Weston	1	2-3	4
Johnson	3	2-5	8
Scott	2	0-0	4
Burgess	0	0-0	0
Dickenson	0	0-0	0
Sampson, W.	0	0-0	0
Sampson, R.	0	0-0	0
Blakey	3	6-10	10
Totals	18	17-31	53

Score by periods:

Douglas —	8	23	39	—	57
Simms —	13	24	34	—	53

Small Court Blues

Douglas High 62-38 Loser To Leesburg

1-24-57

When Douglas plays Douglass, either Winchester or Leesburg has to win. Last night it was Leesburg's Douglass which won, defeating te Bulldogs 62-38 as the visiting Winchester lads couldn't cope with the small court and the hosts' height.

That combination enabled the Douglass shooters to camp around the basket at each end — grabing the rebounds and dumping in shots from up above. Only one of the host quint was an outside shooter, Charles Bryant, and he hit 11 poionts as compared to the 23 turned in by Thomas Roberts

FOR WINCHESTER, John Carter was high with 15 points on six goals and three free shots, but that was far under his 20-plus average. James Stephenson kept the Winchester school in contention in the first half with four goals and two free shots, but he sank out of sight in second half competition.

Winchester had hustle, as usual, but was off in shooting and confused on the small court after nothing but good sized ones all season. Coach Edwin Barksdale called a 2-1-2 defense throughout the game, but the Bulldogs never did get used to the situation. It didn't mean that Douglass wouldn't have won anyway, but the score would have been closer.

WITH THE LOSS, the Winchester quint dropped to the 3-2 mark for the season with three almost sure wins coming up — against Ramer of Martinsburg twice and once against Johnson Williams of Berryville. It still looks like a good season for the Bulldogs and they will have a chance on their home court to average both of their losses.

The host junior varsity turned the tables on the visiting juniors [illegible] doubling of score. Walker was high for Winchester with five field goals, but he missed five times from the free throw line. John Owens topped the hosts with 14 points, 12 of them on field goals.

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Washington	3	1-2	7
Stephenson	4	2-4	10
Carter	6	3-3	15
Mason	0	4-5	4
Walker	1	0-2	2
Moten	0	0-0	0
Totals	14	10-23	38

DOUGLASS	G	FT	T
Evans	3	3-5	9
Chinn	1	0-0	2
Roberts, T.	10	3-4	23
Bryant	5	3-4	23
Baltimore	0	0-0	0
Ashton	3	3-5	8
Randolph	0	0-0	0
Roberts, C.	3	1-2	7
Simms	0	0-0	0
Owen	0	0-0	0
Totals	25	12-20	62

John Carter Stars With 29 Points:

Douglas Stomps Ramer 58-35 For 6th Win in Eight Starts

1-26-57

Douglas won its sixth game of the season last night against just two losses as it downed host Ramer of Martinsburg 58-35.

John Carter, with 29 points on a consistant attack, nearly matched the scoring of the West Virginians, but he had a big assist from little Bennie Brown. The latter scored 10 points after coming in to replace Tommy Washington and was an ace on ball handling, faking and hustle.

LEE MASON turned in an aggresive game which accounted for eight points, but usually high-scoring James Stephenson was held to five and Washington to two.

The Bulldogs used a full-court press all the way as they ran into their first opponent of the season that didn't come up to it in height. In every other game, the Bulldogs have been bothered by much taller opponents.

NEVERTHELESS, the hosts were full of hustle and disconcerted the passing of the Bulldogs much of the way. Herbert Mosby came through with 19 points to top the West Virginians — the only one on their squad to reach into double figures.

John Burrell was close, but he made all of his eight points in the second half.

Douglas came through on 34 percent of its field goal attempts, an average lower then usual for them, but good enough for their shorter opponents.

The very next game on the Bulldogs schedule is against the same quint, but it's to be at Douglas on the 31st.

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Stephenson	2	1- 3	5
Washington	1	0- 0	2
Jo. Carter	11	7-14	29
Mason	2	4- 7	8
Walker	0	2- 3	2
Brown	3	4- 5	10
Moten	0	0- 0	0
Ja. Carter	0	0- 0	0
Spenser	1	0- 0	2
Totals	20	18-32	58

RAMER	G	FT	T
Brown	1	0- 0	2
Ross	1	0- 2	2
Mosby, H.	8	3-10	19
Johnson	1	0- 2	2
Burrell, T.	0	0- 0	0
Nickens	0	0- 0	0
Romar	0	0- 0	0
Burrell, J.	3	2- 3	8
Mosby, C.	1	0- 0	2
Totals	15	5-17	35

Score by periods:

Douglas —	15	27	43	58	
Ramer —	10	18	25	35	

Mason, Carter, Brown Star

Douglas Bulldogs Jump Season Record To 7-2 With 54-49 Win Over Carver

1-30-57

Douglas had to overcome a one-point deficit at the end of three quarters to turn back visiting Carver of Rockville 54-49 ast night. But the Bulldogs did it by fast-breaking the Marylanders right off the court.

Just as the period scores (10-10, 20-18 and 32-33) indicate, the game was a thriller all the way. Early in the first half, it was the spectacular scoring of John Carter which kept the Bulldogs in the game, but in the closing periods, little Benny Brown came up with the ace plays that settled it.

CARTER, out of action for the the first five minutes, came in to score eight points in a row to back up the play of Lee Mason who had his best first half of the season with eight points.

When it was all over, Mason was the leading scorer for Douglas with 16 points, just a basket ahead of Carter, although the visitors' Al Harriday was high for the night with 19.

TOMMY WASHINGTON, held scoreless in the opening half, was hot on the jump shots from the side to wind up with nine points. Brown ended with 10, mostly on four driving layups. Moten, straight from the junior varsity, did a bang up job as he scored two second half goals and looked good on the floor play.

Unless the Bulldogs can get their fast break working early and long, the return game at Carver on February 21 is going to be rugged.

Tomorrow night, the Bulldogs are hosts to Ramer of Martinsburg in what should prove to be the eighth win of the season against just two losses for Douglas.

CARVER	G	FT	T
Harriday	6	7-12	19
Wilson	6	0-5	12
Franklin	2	0-2	4
Patterson	1	0-1	2
Kane	4	1-3	9
Melvin	1	1-2	3
Gerald	0	0-0	0
Williams	0	0-1	0
Totals	10	9-26	49

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Washington	3	3-6	9
Carter	6	2-3	14
Mason	7	2-5	16
Spencer	0	0-1	0
Walker	0	1-3	1
Brown	5	0-0	10
Moten	2	0-0	4
Totals	23	8-23	54

Douglas Loses to Page-Jackson 62-60

Carter Gets 17

Douglas Wins Eight; 53-34 Over Ramer

2-1-57

Douglas won its fourth game in a row and eighth out of 10 for the season last night as it dumped visiting Ramer of Martinsburg 53-34.

The West Virginians' effort was low enough to bring down the Douglas defensive mark to 40.5 per game, just a shade behind the 40.2 of Handley (the area's finest mark).

The win was the 39th of the season for three schools in the Frederick County area (Douglas, Handley and James Wood) as compared to just three losses.

AS HE USUALLY DOES, John Carter wound up as Douglas' leading scorer with a 17-point performance, but he had to take a back seat to Herbert Mosby of Martinsburg. The consistant, cool - shooting West Virginian sank seven field goals and five free shots for 19 points. His teammate, J. Burrell, racked up 11 points, leaving just four points for the rest of the visitors.

James Walker was a 10-point shooter for the free-substituting Virginians, who used a two-man press and a 3-man sliding zone in the first half and a man-for-man defense in the last two periods.

THE WIN GIVES the Bulldogs a 4-1 record in the Tri-State League as compared to a 4-0 mark in the Virginia Interscholastic Association.

Until February 7, the Bulldogs are idle. Then, they have a game scheduled against Page Jackson of Charles Town at home. In their last meeting, the West Virginians lost by nine points, 46-37, but are a greatly improved ball club, according to Coach Edwin Barksdale of the Bulldogs.

RAMER	G	FT	T
Brown	0	0-0	0
Ross	1	0-1	2
Mosby	7	5-11	19
Johnson	1	0-1	2
Burrell, T.	0	0-0	0
Burrell, J.	4	3-5	11
Totals	13	8-18	34

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Washington, T.	1	0-2	2
Carter, Jo.	7	3-8	17
Mason	2	2-8	6
Spencer	0	1-2	1

Rutherford Scores 24 In 2nd Half

Bulldogs Can't Stop Sensational Visitor

2-8-57

By CHARLIE TAIT

Red hot Charles Rutherford single-handedly fought off a Douglas comeback last night at the Winchester school to give Page-Jackson a 62-60 win.

Earlier in the season, the Bulldogs had taken care of the Page quint by nine points, but last night they started ou behind and never caugh Coach Craun's lads.

A full house of screaming fans nearly brought down the roof as the favored Bulldogs cut down a nine-point lead in the last four minutes and five seconds to two points at 60-58, but Rutherford took care of that. The sensational six-three and a half forward dumped in the last 10 points for the vistors to run his night-high total to 30. With 40 seconds left he made a trp-in for a 62-58 lead and the Douglas hopes went out the window.

WINCHESTER HAD its own share of heroes in John Carter, James Stephenson and James Walker with 19-18-11 points respectively, but their work couldn't overcome the height advantage of Page-Jackson.

The visitors carried a 32-26 margin with them to the dressing room at intermission and needed every bit of it. After the rest, Douglas came back with a more balanced attack that featured four players with at least three field goals apiece. Rutherford was the only Page player to get more than one field goal in the entire second half, but he sank 11 along with a pair of free throws. That was quite an increase over his six first-half points.

RUTHERFORD was hottest on tap-ins and rebounding. He was also a dead shot from 20 feet out when he set it up. Carter turned in five first-half field goals and three more in the second as his shooting was up to scratch but his defense was down.

After three first half field goals, Stephenson came through with four more (mostly the drive-in variety) in the second half for his 18-point total. Mason, along with Tommy Washington, came to life in the second half, but the small lead was just big enough to stop them.

DOUGLAS hasn't played in a better ball game this season and the chances are excellent that the Bulldogs will meet Page-Jackson in the Tri-State Tournament. Right now, Douglas has an overall record of 8-3 and a tough game coming up on Tuesday against Luther Jackson of Fairfax.

It was Luther Jackson which handed the Bulldogs their first loss, 69-54, so Coach Edwin Barksdale's lads will have to start out fast to whip it and even the series for the season.

PAGE-JACKSON	G	FT	T
Rutherford	14	2-5	30
Thomas	6	0-0	12
Kemp	2	4-8	8
Baylor	1	1-2	3
Stevenson	4	1-6	9
Bailey	0	0-0	0
Newman	0	0-0	0
Branson	0	0-0	0
Totals	27	8-22	62

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Mason	2	0- 1	4
Stephenson	7	4-10	18
Carter, Jo.	8	3- 8	19
Washington	3	2- 4	8
Walker	5	1- 5	11
Brown	0	0- 0	0
Spencer	0	0- 0	0
Carter, Ja.	0	0- 0	0
Totals	25	10-28	60

Score by periods:
P-J—14 32 50 62
D—10 26 44 60

Officials: Miller and Thomas

Attendance: 300

Timer: D. Stephenson

Scorer: B. Washington and Walker.

77-45 Here

Luther Jackson Rocks Douglas By 32 Points

2-13-57

Luther Jackson of Fairfax showed its power last night by trimming host Douglas 77-45 before a crowd of better then 250 fans.

The Bulldogs had two good quarters, the first and last, but the in between periods ruined them. At the end of the first stanza, it was a 10-10 game, but the Fairfax quint held a 13-point advantage at intermission with the score at 34-21.

By the end of three quarters, it was 56-28 and the Bulldogs were out of sight. A 17-point final quarter made the score more respectable but the Bulldogs had to do it with their ace, John Carter, on the bench. The 20-plus shooter was held to a mere two points last night as he scored one field goal.

ASIDE FROM Carter's off-night Tommy Washington turned in a good defensive game but wasn't able to dent the scoring column. James Stephenson came through with a 10-point job, but the credit for the best Winchester showing goes to the shooting of Mason with 12 points and Benny Brown with a top floor game and red hot second half. He accounted for just seven points but was a hustler all the way. Walker turned in a good rebounding game for the Bulldogs.

Against that showing, the visitors had such shooters as the eight-ranked lad in the District of Columbia area, George Davis. The six-three ace accounted for 24 pointed, 16 of them in the first two periods as the visitors iced the contest.

WITH THEIR TIGHT zone around the bucket the Bulldogs forced Fairfax to the outside for its shots, but the visitors were hot enough last night to make the scores anyway.

Bob Grayson turned in some beautiful shots from far outside as he moved on to 15 points, while Bob Tate had 12 and William Jackson had 14. Fairfax is the 15th ranked Group I team in the Metropolitan area and the boys looked like it last night against Group III Douglas.

The Bulldogs head into easier territory on Friday night with a game against Johnson Williams at Berryville. Tomorrow night, the Tri-State Teachers vs Coaches game is scheduled for Douglas.

JACKSON	G	FT	T
Thomas	1	0-0	2
Tate	5	2-3	12
Duncan	2	0-0	4
Davis	11	2-2	24
Collis	0	0-0	0
Jackson	6	2-6	14
Weeks	0	0-0	0
Kannon	3	0-1	6
Smith	0	0-0	0
Grayson	7	1-3	15
Agee	0	0-0	0
Jones	0	0-0	0
Totals	35	7-16	77

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Stephenson	4	2-5	10
Brown	3	1-3	7
Carter	1	0-3	2
Washington	0	0-1	0
Walker	2	5-10	9
Mason	4	4-6	12
Spencer	1	3-4	5
Totals	15	15-32	45

Score by periods:
Jackson — 10 34 56 77
Douglas — 10 21 28 45

Carter Scores 25

Douglas Bounces Back From Slump To 88-66 Victory

2-16-57

Shooting at a 44 percent clip, Douglas bounced out of a three-game slump last night at Berryville to trim Johnson Williams 88-66. The Winchester school's record is now 9-4.

It was a pleasant win for Douglas Coach Edwin Barksdale, since the Bulldogs have been a disappointment recently after early signs of having a top flight club. It also made a brighter picture for the District Tournament at Douglas on Saturday.

Johnson Williams had the Masons: McKinley Gary and William, to do its shooting last night with 22, 19 and 12 points respectively, but the Bulldogs had many two-figure shooters to compensate for them.

JOHN CARTER LED the parade with 25 points, while John scored 18 as he moved up from the second five in fine form. Ninth grader Lee Mason turned in 12 points for Douglas, while James Walker finally started shooting the way he had been figured to earlier with his 16 points being third high.

Douglas worked a full court press most of the game but had trouble with the scrappy and tall host club. The two teams meet again this Friday night, at Douglas.

THE GAME WAS RED HOT in the opening quarter as Douglas was off to a 28-23 lead. In the second quarter, the Bulldogs moved out in front by 44-39 as the pace was cut down a bit.

By the end of three periods, the Bulldogs owned an 18-point margin and were safely in by 70-52.

On Thursday, the Bulldogs go to Carver High at Rockville.

The Box Score

	G	FT	T
Stephenson	3	0-0	6
Brown	0	0-0	0
Washington, W.	0	0-0	0
Carter, Jo.	11	3-10	25
Carter, Ja.	0	0-0	0
Walker	8	0-3	16
Washington, T.	3	3-3	9
Spencer	6	6-9	18
Mason, L.	5	2-4	12
Totals	36	14-29	86

J. WILLIAMS	G	FT	T
M. Mason	10	2-7	22
Wallace	3	0-2	6
G. Mason	7	5-7	19
Paige	1	3-8	5
Whitmore	1	0-0	2
Jones	0	0-2	0
W. Mason	5	2-3	12
Jackson	0	0-0	0
Totals	27	12-29	66

Referee—Craven
Umpire—Miller.
Scorer—Charles Walker

Douglas Captures District 3 Tournament

500 Armory Fans See Bulldogs Win Twinbill Saturday

2-22-57

By CHARLIE TAIT

Behind all the way in the final game of the Group III, District 3 Basketball Tournament at the N.C. Armory Saturday night, Douglas came up with a last second basket to earn an overtime period.

Then the Bulldogs pulled the title out of the fire with a 59-57 win over visiting Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg before 500 fans. At the end of regulation play, the score was 55-55.

The victory qualified the Bulldogs for state competition, but the site and dates of the tournament have not been decided yet.

THE GIRLS DIVISION title went to Simms as it defeated the Johnson Williams (Berryville) girls 27-13 for its third straight championship since 1954.

In an exhibition game on Saturday night, the ineligible Douglas Girls defeated Andrew Jackson 20-6. Douglas does not play the required schedule of away game to be eligible for tournaments.

The opening round boys' games went to: Simms 61-40 over Johnson-Williams, and Douglas, 68-33 over Andrew Jackson. It was an easy affair for each winner, but they had their hands full in the finals.

THE OPENING ROUND girls' game went to Johnson Williams by a 26-13 score over Luray's Andrew Jackson. The winner met Simms which had a first-round bye.

D. glas put in its second stringers in the second quarter against Andrew Jackson and gave the varsity a rest for the evening battle. It paid off for Coach Edwin Barksdale, but not before his lads had the scare of their lives.

In two regular season meetings, Harrisonburg had lost to Winchester, 56-38, here, and 57-53, there.

SATURDAY NIGHT, the Bulldogs started with a zone defense and spent five miserable minutes getting into a 10-2 hole. After that, Douglas went to a full court press and narrowed the margin to 10-7 at the end of the period. By the end of the half, it was still Simms ahead, by a 24-22 margin.

Unable to make any headway against the determined visitors, Douglas found itself on the short end of a 39-35 count as the final quarter opened.

Led by its three All-Tournament players, Lee Mason, James Stephenson and John Carter, Douglas closed in on the visitors until making it 55-55 with all of the time gone. In the opening moments of the playoffs period, William Johnson of Simms sent his mates ahead 57-55, but Carter promptly tied it.

STEPHENSON WENT in for a lay-up which put the Bulldogs ahead, and then they froze it for a minute and a half as soon as they got possession.

Along with the Douglas stars on the All-Tourney team, two Simms first liners made the grade, Tommy Temple and Johnson. Temple was high for the game with 24 points, while Johnson had 15. For Douglas, Carter had 12 but was third high for a change behind Stephenson with 20 and Mason with 17.

It was the third win in as many games during the Friday and Saturday period for the Bulldogs who started it off with a 62-49 job on their home court against Johnson Williams. The regular league game win was the second of the season over the Berryville school.

IN THAT ONE, John Carter was high with 22, while the Mason brothers were high for Berryville.

The All-Tournament second team was composed of: James Walker and Tommie Washington of Douglas, William Blakey and Charles Scott of Simms, and McKinley of Berryville.

Washington, a hustling ball player all the way in his first year of active competition, was overcome after the final game and had to be treated at Memorial Hospital. He was released and allowed to go home.

The season record for the Bulldogs so far (official games only) is 12-4. There was an unofficial loss to the Tri-State Teachers.

Douglas Entertains District 2 Champ On Saturday Night

3-1-57

Group III, District 3 Champion Douglas is host to District 2 Champ S. C. Abrams High of Fluvanna County (Palmyra) Saturday night in a quarter-finals event.

Douglas' overall record of 12-4 is bettered by the 13-2 mark of Abrams. The visitors have height and speed to protect their 9-1 district record and have been shooting the ball in at a near-50 percent clip.

Douglas has two hopes, the hustle of its own club and the shooting eye of John Carter and Co. There is also the factor that the visitors have to make a 140 mile trip here for the game.

The winner goes to Virginia State College at Petersburg next Friday morning for the state semi-finals.

The site of this playoff was determined by the executive secretary at V. S. C., W. D. Paige.

Over Abrams

Douglas Earns State Tourney Bid by 66-37

3-4-57

Douglas is on the way to the State's Group III Semi-Finals at Virginia State College (Petersburg) next Friday afternoon thanks to a convincing win over District 2 Champion Abrams High. The District 3 champs from Douglas won it by a 66-37 margin on their own court Saturday night.

Quarter-final games were played throughout the state to find the clubs for the finals at Petersburg.

The well-rounded attack of the Bulldogs proved too much for the visitors who had height and speed but lacked the Douglas poise. This win, as much as the climb of the Bulldogs into state prominence, is a credit to Coach Edwin Barksdale — a man who has turned a small club into an aggressive, winning ball team.

DOUGLAS WENT into this game a little on the cold side, not having seen Abrams in action, but Coach Barksdale found out soon enough that he had the better club.

By the end of one half, it was Douglas ahead 29-13 and just beginning to gather momentum. Star of that early margin was Bennie Brown with seven field goals and a free shot for 15 points. Lee Mason was next with five, while Tommy Washington had four. Ed Payne of the visitors, a good one-hand push-shot artist, was leading the Abrams scorers with seven points at that stage, and he wound up with 15 for the game. William Dickerson finished with 13 for second high honors.

AT THE END for Douglas, Mason had forged ahead of Brown to be high man for the night with 17 points. Tap Dancing Bennie was next with 16, while late-starting John Carter was able to make all of his 10 points in the second half.

On the fast break, Brown and Mason led the Bulldogs to their early margin, while James Stephenson and Carter came on in the third quarter to widen the gap. On rebounding, another 1957-58 star, James Walker was top man.

Friday's opponent isn't known yet, but the Bulldogs would have to be rated a fair chance of moving into the finals on the basis of their play against other Group III schools in the Old Dominion.

ABRAMS	G	FT	T
High	1	0-0	2
Booker	1	0-0	2
Payne	6	3-3	15
Shelton	0	0-0	0
Perbish	1	0-0	2
Washington	1	1-1	3
Key	0	0-2	0
Dickerson	5	3-5	13
Louis	0	0-0	0
Totals	15	7-11	37

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Stephenson	2	0-0	4
Mason	7	3-3	17
Carter, Jo.	5	0-0	10
Washington	4	0-1	8
Walker	3	1-1	7
Spencer	0	0-2	0
Brown	7	2-5	16
Moten	2	0-0	4
Carter, Ja.	0	0-0	0
Totals	30	6-12	66

Douglas Bulldogs Open State Tourney Tonight

In Opposite Bracket From '56 Champion

3-8-57

The Douglas High basketballers left by car this morning for the long trip to Petersburg and the Group III Tournament which goes into the semi final round tonight.

The quarter final results were achieved at different points throughout the state, but the rest of the schedule is going to be at Virginia State College.

In the top bracket, Central will be defending champion Woodson, while Douglas meets St. Claire in the other end of the night's card.

CENTRAL, of King and Queen County, has a good passing team with plenty of ability on defense as attested by the 38-38 win it had over Simms of Harrisonburg in the quarter finals. Nevertheless, it figures as a real underdog against the Hopewell team which has won the title for the past two years with one of the smoothest Group III attacks in the Old Dominion.

To move into the semi final round, Woodson defeated Jefferson 97-49, and the losers didn't have a bad II-B District champion.

WALKER HAS a fast club as well as the top individual leftover from last year's tourney in George Jarvis. The high scoring forward racked up the third high single game record last year with 29 points against S. C. Abrams; the third high total game average of 18.32 per game; and the second high total for all games of 55 points.

Douglas has Carter to put against the Walker ace, but the Bulldog star hasn't had as many good nights this season as last. It was a combined team effort that led the Bulldogs to their 67-38 win over S. C. Abrams and into the semi finals. And it will take such an effort to get into tomorrow night's finals.

Regardless of tonight's outcome, the Bulldogs are certain to stay at Petersburg over tomorrow since they will be in the consolation game at worst.

Douglas Places 4th in Virginia's Group III Teams

3-11-57

Douglas tangled with some tall, smooth-working competition at Petersburg College in the State's Group III finals Friday night and placed fourth.

St. Claire Walker, hich defeated the Bulldogs 63-48, went down in the championship game by a 68-54 margin Carter G. Woodson High of Hopewell. Woodson had reached the title game with a 90-55 stomping of Central of King and Queen County, but the latter was given the number-three state rating because it lost to the champs.

DOUGLAS COACH Edwin Barksdale said, "It wasn't hard to take losing to teams as good as reached the finals, particularly since my best lads were just on a level with the opponents' shortest." John Carter, star for the Bulldogs all season, was rated good enough to make the Tournament's second string all-star quintet.

In the final game, Carter came up with 13 points, second high for Douglas behind the 15-point effort of James Stephenson. The St. Claire Walker quint had a 17-pointer in Thorpe, while two others, Wood and Larson, had 15 and 14 respectively. Robert Jarvis, last year's tournament third high individual scorer, was held to seven points by the Bulldogs.

FRIDAY'S LOSS was a case of Walker controlling both backboards — which made it a one-shot affair for the Bulldogs. Nevertheless, Douglas played its best first half of the season, ending the first quarter in an 18-18 deadlock and going off the court for intermission at a point behind, 30-29. The Bulldogs missed on just four shots from the floor.

Late in the second half, Douglas found itself down by six points with time running out and had to use a full court press. From that point on, the Walker players used their extra height to pass high in under the basket and run up the big margin of victory. It was a necessary gamble, but it didn't pay off for Coach Barksdale.

A POSTPONED GAME with Douglass High of Leesburg will be played on the Bulldogs' court here tomorrow night to close out the regular season. After that, there isn't anything more for Douglas until it enters the Tri-state Tournament on March 22-23 at Martinsburg.

The rest of the state tournament scorers for Douglas were: Tommy Washington, 8; James Walker, 6; and Mason, 6. Moten, Brown, Spencer and James Carter saw action, but they didn't register.

Douglas Drops Thriller To Leesburg Five 61-59

Bad Start Hurts Bulldogs; Brown Plays Best Game.

3-13-57

A poor start cost the Douglas Bulldogs an upset over visiting Douglass of Leesburg last night with the final count being 61-59.

Before the Bulldogs could get used to their own court, Leesburg was out in front 9-0 on the sharp-shooting of six-three Charlie Roberts. In their previous meeting, the Bulldogs had lost by 24 points (38-62) at Lessburg.

With a nine-point deficit, the host quint seemed to be on the way to another licking from their tri-state opponent, but the Bulldogs nearly pulled this one out of the fire. In the closing moments, John Carter missed a couple of free throws which would have tied the game and Lee Mason goofed on a lay-up that would have knotted the count, too.

JUST THE SAME, it was the most thrilling game of the season on the Douglas court as the Bulldogs continued to wear down the difference between the teams as time ran out. James Walker began to control both boards for the Bulldogs in the second half after a slow start, and Benny Brown turned in a terrific game despite his lack of height.

As usual, it was the height which killed off Douglas' chances of an upset. Besides Roberts, the visitors had six-two Chinn and six-one Evans to take care of the rebounding.

A 5-11 starter, George Ashton, required some emergency treatment when he ran into the wall in the fourth quarter. Seven stitches were required to close the gash in his forehead — just over his eye.

BROWN, WHO HAS had an expectional season, was high for the Bulldogs last night with 17 points, but he was second to Roberts, the big man in scoring with 22 poins. Roberts' brother, Tom, was a 17-pointer, too, although he joined Evans in fouling out in the fourth period.

Tommy Washington had four personals charged against him, but he still hung on to finish the game. Carter was next to Brown with 16 points, but his performance from the free throw line was damaging. He made just two-out-of-eight attempts, while Brown had five-for-six and Walker had four-for-five.

AT INTERMISSION, it was 30-22, while the third period score was 45-39. In the final quarter, Douglas began to apply the pressure for keeps — outscoring the opposition 20-16, but it was just a little too late.

With two losses to Douglass, it will be the Winchester school's fate to meet Leesburg in the Tri-State Tournament on March 22 at Martinsburg. But Coach Edwin Barksdale doesn't figure to lose any more games to Leesburg this season, regardless. According to the Douglas mentor, "We should have taken the game last night, but it took us too long to overcome the Douglass height."

So far during the overall play of the Bulldogs, Douglas has come up with a 13-6 season without a tall shooter on the team.

DOUGLASS	G	FT	T
Ashton	5	0-0	10
T. Roberts	6	5-8	17
Evans	4	2-4	10
Chinn	0	0-0	0
C. Roberts	9	4-8	22
Randolph	0	1-2	1
Owens	0	1-2	1
Baltimore	0	0-1	0
Totals	24	13-25	61

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Stephenson	0	0-2	0
Mason	6	1-2	13
Carter, Jo.	7	2-8	16
Walker	4	4-5	12
Washington	0	1-2	1
Moten	0	0-0	0
Brown	6	5-6	17
Spencer	0	0-3	0
Carter, Ja.	0	0-0	0
Totals	23	13-28	59

Douglas, Page-Jackson in Finals Tonight

Bulldogs Take Tri-State Semi From Leesburg

Carter, Washington Lead Winchester in 51-41 Win

3-22-57

By CHARLIE TAIT

Winchester's Douglas High pulled a rabbit out of the hat at Martinsburg last night, defeating Leesburg's Douglass 51-41 after two regular season defeats.

This was the game which counted, however, as it sent the Bulldogs into the Tri-State Tournament finals against Charles Town's Page-Jackson High tonight at 7:30. The West Virginians stomped host Ramer 64-40 to reach the finals.

Tonight's game at Ramer is a single affair with no consolation. Leesburg, by virtue of scoring one more point than Ramer, won the consolation trophy for the highest scoring loser in the semi-final round.

THE TIME USUALLY GIVEN to a third place game will be used for the Tri-State Dance, immediately following the championship awards. Two trophies go on the line for Charles Town and Winchester to shoot at as well as the majority of berths on the All-Tournament team.

Douglas led Leesburg all the way on the way to last night's win, spending most of the game in possession of a six-point margin. When it dropped to four points early in the fourth, Tommy Washington came up with a tap-in that sent the Bulldogs back with the safe lead to stay. It turned out to be the shot which broke up the game as Coach Edwin Barksdale sent in his subs (clearing the bench) shortly afterwards to finish the game.

INDIVIDUALLY, Leesburg had the high scorer of the game as Charles Roberts came up with an 18-point performance. But John Carter of the Bulldogs wasn't far behind with six field goals and five free shots for 17 points. Roberts had seven goals, but the Bulldogs stopped Leesburg's outside shooter, Guthrie Ashton, cold, giving him just one goal from the floor and one from the free throw line.

Bennie Brown, a late-season flash, continued his assault on enemy baskets with 13 points, while Lee Mason tied Washington with eight points.

IT WAS A GOOD ball game, played on a fine floor before a crowd of about 300. Leesburg ran into trouble with the officials as the close calling was a little more than their usual fare. But Douglas didn't get into any danger of losing very many men with just 11 fouls called on the entire team. Walker had four of those by early in the third quarter but managed to restrain himself the rest of the way. Carter never drew a personal, while Brown and Washington had two each and Mason had three.

TONIGHT, Winchester is going to have a problem in 20-point average shooter George Rutherford, who hit right on that mark in the Page-Jackson win, Joseph Kemp, a 13-point man last night, can reach a lot higher.

During the regular season, Page-Jackson lost a 46-37 game to Winchester and then won the return game 62-60 on the Bulldogs' court.

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Mason	3	2-6	8
Brown	4	5-6	13
Jo. Carter	6	5-11	17
Walker	3	1-4	5
Washington	3	2-6	8
Ja. Carter	0	0-0	0
Stephenson	0	0-0	0
Moten	0	0-0	0
Spencer	0	0-0	0
Blowe	0	0-0	0
Totals	18	15-33	51

DOUGLASS	G	FT	T
Ashton	1	1-2	3
A. Randolph	1	2-6	4
T. Roberts	3	0-2	6
T. Owens	3	2-4	8
B. Randolph	0	0-0	0
C. Roberts	7	4-4	18
Totals	15	11-21	41

Halftime score: Douglas 23-17

March 25, 1957, Winchester, Va.

Bulldogs Hurt by Washington Injury

Douglas Loses Tri-State Title To Page-Jackson Quint 50-39

3-25-57

Page-Jackson High of Charles Town won the Tri-State Championship at Ramer High in Martinsburg Saturday night by turning back Winchester's Douglas 50-39.

The slow game lacked the spectacular play of the Bulldogs in their last appearances which had gained them a spot in the finals, but they had the satisfaction of a handsome runner-up trophy and three players on the first and second All-Tournament Teams.

John Carter, who was held to five points by the West Virginians, was named to the tourney's first string, while Bennie Brown and James Walker made the second team. Carter's shooting may have been off in this game, but his defensive play was tops.

PAGE-JACKSON landed three men on the first team and two on the second. George Rutherford, a tough man on offense and defense all through the tourney, was named to the first team along with Joseph Kemp and George Stevenson. The latter didn't make any points in the title game, but Rutherford had 20 and Kemp had eight. Charles Thomas, who was on the second team along with Kirk Baylor, scored 12 for second honors Saturday for the winners.

Walker was the top man for the Bulldogs with 12 points, while Lee Mason had 10. It was Walker who kept the Bulldogs in the game with his offensive and defensive play. Mason did a nice job from the floor but was guilty of too many infractions. Brown played only two quarters, the second and fourth, as the height was too much against him, but he had the hustle as did Moten. The latter, however, was just too rough.

TOMMY WASHINGTON was lost to Douglas in the first quarter as he sprained his ankle. As much as anything else, this hurt the Bulldogs' chances for the title. All season, Washington has played steady ball, sometimes showing up as a top scorer but always giving it the hustle which the game needed Saturday.

Kemp took care of many rebounds for the West Virginians while Baylor turned in the best floor game.

THE ONLY TIME Douglas was in the lead was the first quarter when it finished with a 15-14 lead. The intermission total was 27-18 for the West Virginians who led at the third quarter's end 36-24.

The Bulldogs ended their season with this one, giving the school a 14-7 record. With most of the team back for next year, matters look even brighter.

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Mason	5	0-0	10
Brown	2	0-0	4
Carter	2	1-2	5
Walker	3	6-11	12
Washington	0	0-0	0
Stephenson	0	2-3	2
Spencer	1	0-0	2
Moten	1	2-2	4
Totals	14	11-18	39

PAGE-JACKSON	G	FT	T
Rutherford	9	2-5	20
Kemp	2	4-10	8
Thomas	4	4-6	12
Baylor	3	0-0	6
Stevenson	0	0-1	0
Bailey	1	2-2	4
Totals	19	12-24	50

JOHN CARTER HAD BEST AVERAGE

Douglas Bulldogs End Season With Top-Flight 14-7 Record

3-27-57

When Douglas High wound up its 1956-57 basketball season at the Tri-State Tournament on Saturday in Martinsburg, it was completing a grand total of 1,205 points as compared to 989 by the opposition.

The result was a 14-7 record, a district championship trophy and a runner - up trophy for the Tri-Stater. The Bulldogs also had the long trip to Petersburg for the Virginia Group III Tournament, although all they brought back was experience.

The Bulldogs had an average per game of 57.3 points, 10 points better than the 47 flat compiled by the 21 opponents.

AGAINST ANDRES JACKSON, the Bulldogs scored 146 points while giving up 28 for the widest margin in any two games. Luther Jackson presented the biggest problem for Douglas, scoring 144 points against 99 in their two meetings.

Individually, John Carter was the outstanding scorer for Douglas as he has been for two seasons. He sank 358 points for a 17 average, an average that would have been well over the 20 mark if the sharpshooter had been consistant on his free throw work. A junior, Carter is going to be around next season.

FRESHMAN LEE MASO wound up with 207 points for a 9.8 average and is Coach Edwin Barksdale's best bet on the forward wall for some seasons to go.

Teamed up with Mason on the drives down the court will be Bennie Brown, a late-starting junior who scored 103 points this season in 16 games for an average of 6.4. That pair could easily swing next year's Douglas quint into the Tri-State championship as well as lead them to Petersburg again.

Senior James Stephenson scored 181 points in 20 games for a 9.05 average and was one of the most dependable players on the team. Along with James Carter, Stephenson is leaving this year, but Carter's record was mostly of the bench-warming kind. A good sub, Carter was not much of a scorer, but more of a team man.

ANOTHER STARTER, Tommy Washington, will be back for one more season. He scored 121 points in running through the entire schdule for a 5.79 average and this was his first season out for the varsity. His chances of helping the Bulldogs to a title next vear are excellent.

Sophomore James Walker is another good bet to make the opposition hustle. He scored 142 points in 21 appearances but his big game was under the boards where he grabbed the rebounds. Just the same, he carrie dan average of 6.9 —right good for a non-shooter.

ELSEWH EREONTH ES QU Freshman Moten was a 20-point scorer with not enough action in his 10 games to make an average. Raymond Blowe, an 8th grader, will provide a lot of the future hopes of the Bulldogs along with Moten, but he, too, saw little action this season.

For a change, Coach Barksdale figures to have height next year if some of his lads grow at the expected rate. For two seasons his lads have been forced to look up to the opponents in every one of their games. A couple of times the height disadvantage was too great to overcome, particularly against Luther Jackson.

Al things considered, Group III Douglas had a sucessful season and has hopes of a better one coming along in 1957-58.

1957 – 1958

1957 Football

With another small squad in numbers and size, the 1957 team finished with a 2–4-1 record. All the Bulldog losses were by less than 7 points. The tie resulted when Coach Barksdale pulled his team because of poor officiating.

1957-1958 Basketball

This proved to be one of Douglas' best teams compiling a 14-3 record. The Bulldogs continued to dominate District 3 and winning over Abrams in the Region. Douglas lost the State final to Woodson of Hopewell. (One loss by 5 points was an exhibition game with Buckley-Lages of the City Basketball League.)

Team members: John Carter, James Walker, Lee Mason, Benny Brown, Tommy Washington, Ronald Moten, John Spencer, Kenneth Burks, Webster Washington and Raymond Blowe.

Leading scorers:	Ronald Moten	15 games	193 points	12.86% average
	James Walker	15 games	174 points	11.6% average
	Lee Mason	15 games	167 points	10.6% average

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Douglas – Football
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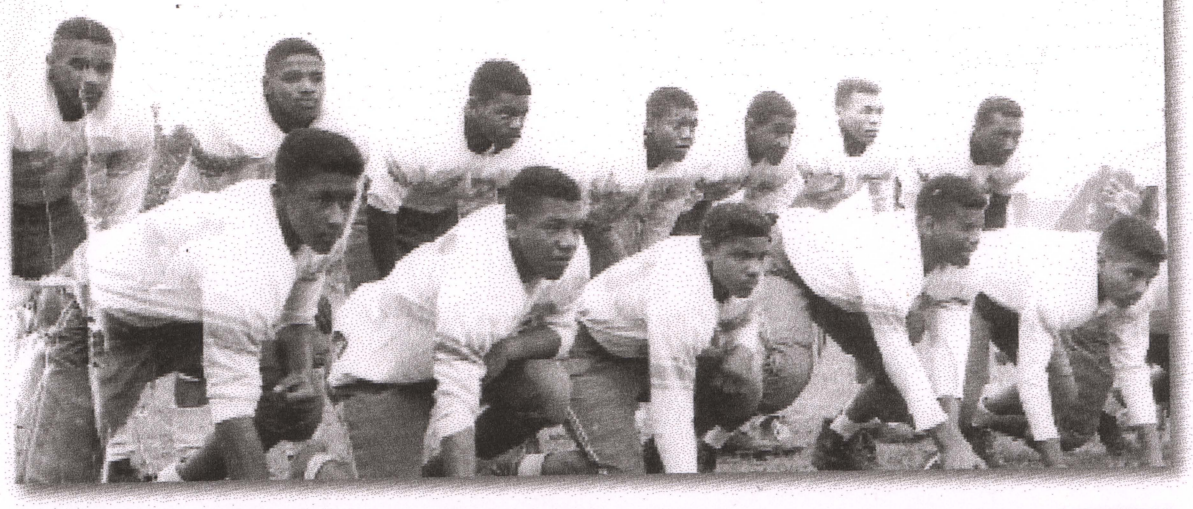
Sept 28	William C Taylor – Warrenton, VA	0	0
Oct 3	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	7	12
11	Watson – Covington, VA	6	13
18	Jeanne Dean – Manassas, VA	6	12
25	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	0	6
Nov 1	Carver – Rockville, MD	22	7
8	Carver – Rockville, MD	19	0

POINTS: Douglas - 60
Opponents - 50



Douglas High School 1957-1958 football team. Front row, left to right: Ronald Moten, Shepherd Harris Jr., Raymond Blowe Jr., Webster Washington Jr, Jerome Jackson, Stephen Newman, James Elwood Walker; Second row, left to right: Garland Williams, Kenneth Burks, James Nelson, Clifford Lee Mason, Frank Lavender, Randolph Carter, John Spencer, Edwin K. Barksdale (coach). (555-154)

COULD BE BIG SEASON FOR BULLDOGS

Douglas Short on Men, Long on Ability

By CHARLIE TAIT

Limited but potent. That's about the best way to describe the 1957 edition of the Douglas High eleven.

With not enough players on the preactice field to hold a two-team scrimmage, Coach Ed. Barksdale has to resort to butting heads first on one side of the line and then on the other.

But don't feel sorry fot the Bulldogs, yet. They will give most of their opponents fits if injuries are not incurred too often. The 16 or 17 men that Coach Barksdale has out for the varsity are experienced, tough, fast and in some cases big.

THOSE WHO AREN'T BIG are equal in size of heart to any of the bigger Doublas squads of the past.

That's saying a lot, because the Winchester school has compiled a record of 25 wins, 9 losses and one tie since Coach Barksdale appeared on the scene in 1952.

This year's schedule begins on the 27th at Warrenton against W. C. Taylor High. Following that are three home games: Douglass of Leesburg and Watson of Covington on the 3rd and 11th of October respectively, and then Manassas Regiano Consolidated on the 18th.

ON THE 25th, Douglas goes to Charles Town for a game with Page - Jackson and then has a home - and - home arrangement with Rockville's Carver. The first game is on November 1 with Carver coming to Winchester to help the Bulldogs make Homecoming a success, and then the Bulldogs go to the Maryland school on the 8th.

That's the season — short and maybe sweet.

The Bulldogs will depend on speed and sharp juggling of defensive power to overcome the bigger squads. They will go all the way on the Split-T, using spreads and flankers under the Barksdale system of keeping the opposition in a muddle and always staying one jump ahead.

IN PAST SEASONS, the Bulldogs have usually known what to do with a break when one came their way, and this year it could make the difference between a winning and losing record.

To sparkplug th team will be veteran John Carter at quarterback. The 160-pound senior is in his fourth year on the varsity and has always been a first-stringer. He's 5-11, a good runner, a fine passer and will be moved up into the secondary this season to take advantage of his jackling and pass interception ability.

At the ends will be James Walker and Ronald Moten. Walker is a 6-1 junior, weighing 155 and in his first year out for the varsity. But he's already proven to be a good receiver. Moten is 6-2, a sophomore, a defensive ace and also out for his varsity baptism.

THE TACKLES, both seniors, are: Steve Newman, 195; and Shepherd Harris, 180. Newman is an even six-feet, in his third year on the varsity and is sharp on offense as well as being a top middle guard on defense. Harris is an inch taller, has the same years of experience and is a crackerjack on both defense and offense.

A little deeper at guard, Coach Barksdale has three: Raymond Blowe, Theodore Tolliver and Jerome Jackson. It's doubtful if Tolliver will go the route even though he's a rugged little fellow with a year's experience as linebacker on defense.

Blowe is as strong as a mule even though he stands but 5-6 and weights 158. He's about the best freshman prospect the Bulldogs have had in years on offense. In scrimmage, he's one of the first guys in on tackles, too, so it would seem as if his position is locked up for a few years yet.

JACKSON IS A 5-10, 170-pound freshman. He's good on offense and has a cousin, Charles, who was an all-star for Montana State Teachers College last year to use for an example.

At center is Webster Washington, a junior out for his first year. He's nearly 5-10, weighs 160 and is shaping up fast. On defense he can go in at end.

In the backfield with Carter will be John Spencer, James Nelson, Garland Williams, Kenneth Burks, Frank Lavender and Lee Mason. There are the Corley brothers, Alan and Charles, who are working and had to report late, and Harold Scott who has the same job problem. Their positions are unknown yet, depending when and if they show up for the team.

SPENCER IS A VERSATILE player, capable of playing end, tackle, quarterback or fullback. He's big enough at 6-1 and has had two years of varsity experience. He also had one year of varsity action at Manassas.

Nelson, a 5-9 fullback weighing 174, is an outstanding runner who may be the most difficult man in the backfield to bring down. He's a fine linebacker and has had two years of experience. Nelson is a senior.

Williams, 5-6, 145, junior, is in his third year. He's a good blocker and runner and will be used as safety man on defense and halfback otherwise. As for speed, Newman, Nelson, Williams and Spencer are rated in that order by Coach Barksdale.

BURKS IS A 5-6, 143-pound junior in his third year of varsity action. He's a halfback who can switch to fullback or guard and might be used as an outside linebacker or an end on defense.

Lavender is a defensive linebacker or end, in his second season. He's a 5-11, 150-pound sophomore.

Mason is 5-9, weighs 150, is a sophomore and is considered a good back on offense and an end, too. He can switch to wingback on defense and is a good runner and pass receiver.

Lost from lasy year's squad will be such good players as: James Stephenson, Melvin Cooper, James Carter, William Cyer and Lewis Newman. Graduation hit some and various other reasons took care of a couple.

It could easily be a great year for the Bulldogs. All they appear to need is a nod from Lady Luck in the injury department.

The first complete Chinese version of the Koran has just been completed. It required Prof. Shih Chich-chou, a devout Moslem, eight years to do the translation of the sacred script of the Mohammedan faith.

DOUGLAS WALKS OFF

Peculiar Officiating Ends Bulldog Tilt at Warrenton

Douglas Coach Ed Barksdale pulled his team off the field at Warrenton yesterady afternoon, settling for a 0-0 result after repeated examples of poor officiating.

9-8-57

The high point in the Douglas miseries was the calling back of the game's only touchdown early in the second period when the referee marked off 15 yards for tackling too high. Before that, the pick-up officials had penalized the Bulldogs for stiff-arming (against runner John Carter), for asking questions, for tackling high a n d a number of other imagined infractions.

With a small squad, Coach Barksdale didn't feel that the list of injuries war worth the price of victory and he called a a halt to the proceedings.

ON ONE PENALTY, Coach Barksdale was penalized 15 y ds for askin, why 20 yeards were marked off for being offside.

Before the game was settled, the coaches had agreed that Alexandria officials would be used, but W. C. Taylor High teachers w e r e substituted. Neither was accredited.

It was a sorry way to open the season, but the Bulldogs gained some experience from the game in preparation for next week's important tussle with Leesburg's Douglass.

The lone TD was scored by Kenneth Burks, but the credit will have to be ir his memory—not on the books.

Hardest part to take was the fact that Douglas was a solid two-touchdown favorite to open with a win and had to sette for nothing but experience and a long ride.

Douglas Drops 12-7 Decision In 4th Period

10-4-57

A last-quarter touchdown and a broken drive spelt the difference between winning and losing for Douglas yesterday afternoon. Visiting Douglass of Leesburg made off with a 12-7 victory in the snazziest last quarter of many seasons here.

A 50-yard pass play from halfback Charlie Roberts to end Harry Chinn put the visitors ahead by six points in the third quarter. The try for point was blocked by Douglas tackle Steve Newman and that's the way the score stood going into the final period.

DOUGLAS BROKE into a 7-6 lead as quarterback John Carter handed off to halfback Lawrence Curry for a 30-yard touchdown and then kept on a plunge over the middle for the extra point.

With plenty of time left in the game, Chinn was on the end of a triple reverse play which went around his own left end for a 20-yard TD. The point was missed but it didn't make any difference as it turned out.

Behind 12-7, Carter began a drive all his own as he powered around both ends for several long gains. After reaching the Douglass 36, Carter handed off to Lawrence Curry and the ball was fumbled over to the visitors.

THERE WAS STILL TIME for another series for the Bulldogs later, but Carter went to the air unsucessfully four times. The first pitch was to the Douglass 30 where it was dropped by right end Mason. The series finished on the host 31 with Douglass in possession as the game ended before a play could get going.

Fumbles hurt the Bulldogs who had been slight favorites to take the decision.

Next on the Douglas schedule is a game against Covington here on Friday at 2 p. m.

STARTING LINEUPS

Douglass	Pos.	Douglas
Chinn	LE	Scott
Jackson	LT	Newman
Hogan	LG	Corley
Simm	C	Wash't'n
Williams	RG	Howe
Thornton	RT	Spencer
Randolph	RE	Mason
Roberts, P.	QB	Carter
Daye	HB	Willi'ms
Roberts, C.	HB	Curry
Baltimore	FB	Nelson

Douglas subs: Lee Mason.
Officials: Campbell, Cammer & Seldon.

Bulldogs Meet Leesburg on Local Field Tomorrow

10-3-57

The Douglas Bulldogs finally get into the football fray tomorrow after last week's false start caused by the cancellation of the season opener.

The Bulldogs will play host here to Douglass High School of Leesburg. Game time is 2 p. m.

Lacking reserves, Douglas will be banking on versatility to come out on the long end of the score.

John Carter, veteran fourth year quarterback, is ready to go. He has good speed and can throw the ball around.

Right tackle Shepherd Harris, a senior, will be out of the line-up with a broken wrist. Defensive end Melvin Cooper will be available for action.

Tomorrow's contest is the first of a three-game home stand for the Douglas squad. Next week they will meet Watson of Covington.

Joe Smith, a good runner and passer, is the biggest threat of the visitors tomorrow.

Douglass will be coming here from a 14-12 loss to Luther Jackson of Fairfax County last Thursday.

Garland Williams and J o h n Carter are co-captains of the local squad for the year.

JOHN SPENCER SCORES

Covington Clips Douglas 13-6 to Preserve Streak

10-12-57

Douglas High's hopes of a winning season took another lump on the jaw yesterday as the Bulldogs were dumped 13-6 by visiting Watson of Covington.

It was the second defeat in as many games for the locals, who are weak on the bench and can't get away from it.

Coach Ed Barksdale's lads were in the game all the way, threatening to make it a tie in the closing moments. But the undefeated visitors ran their string to four in a row against the smaller school.

Early in the first quarter, Covington shot into the lead on halfback Donovan Brown's buck over the line from the three. The Bulldogs had put on a tremendous goal line stand as Covington moved to a first and goal on the Douglas nine and needed every down to get into pay dirt.

THE TRY FOR POINT w a s blocked by Douglas tackle. Melvin Cooper.

With 17 seconds remaining in the second quarter, John Carter faded back and then heaved a long one to John Spencer on the Covington 10. The husky lad cruised into the end zone on the 53-yard pass play and it was a 6-6 ball game. That's the way it stayed when Carter's kick was l o w for a missed point.

A 19-yard pass play from Mathew Menefee to Kenneth Laws was the last of the TD scoring with just two minutes gone in the second half. The extra point was booted by Caesar Jordon and all of the scoring was over for the afternoon.

In the final quarter, Douglas put on a march from its own 20 to the visitors' 37 before t h e passing attack failed and Covington took over on downs.

ON THAT DRIVE, Carter ran the ball twice and handed off once to James Nelson for the first down. Then he hit Spencer f o r five yards before tossing a couple incomplete and giving up the ball.

Watson marched to the Douglas 29 when it took over the ball, but an end-around by Laws was stopped by the Bulldogs, who took over again. Two incomplete passes and a long loss on a pass play which never developed put the Bulldogs deep in their own back yard and set up the best punt of the afternoon.

ON THE KICK by Harold Scott, the ball rolled clear to the Covington 24 before stopping. T h e punt traveled 60 yards from scrimmage and Scott was 12 or 13 yards behind the line when he kicked.

Two plays later the game was history.

Covington's backs all ran the ball. On one series, five different backs carried in succession and made a pair of first downs.

Douglas had trouble up the middle but was able to connect right well on passes, particularly the short ones. Since Covington was favored by two touchdowns, anyway, it wasn't a bad loss for the Bulldogs at all.

They know the odds are against them when they play the larger schools, but the first string of the Winchester school is not enough to whip them all alone. There or four good subs, but that's not enough in this day of rapid changes on the field.

Watson	Pos.	Douglas
Laws	LE	Scott
Pettus	LT	Cooper
Waldron	LG	Corley
Smith	C	Washington
Quarles	RG	Cary
Jordon	RT	Newman
Jackson	RE	Mason
Goode	QB	Williams
Harris	HB	Burks
Liggins	HB	Nelson
Menefee	FB	Spencer

Douglas subs: Carter, Curry & Lavendar.

HAROLD SCOTT SCORES

Manassas Stops Douglas For Bulldogs' Third Loss

10-14-57

Late-starting Manassas surprised Douglas here yesterday afternoon by whipping the slightly-favored Bulldogs 12-6.

It was a tough game for Coach Ed Barksdale's lads to lose since they moved out in front with a touchdown by left end Harold Scott in the first quarter. But the rest of the game wase spent in making a few mistakes and not putting together any more successful drives.

Manassas came up with a touchdown by Tyrone Lewis in the third period and a repeat by that quarterback in the final period.

DOUGLAS THREATENED as the game time ran out, but an incomplete pass ended matters with the ball falling free in the end zone. The Bulldogs had set up the TD which could have meant a tie or a win on a 30-yard pass play from quarterback John Carter to left half Kenneth Burks. The aerial shot gave the host eleven a first down on the 19 with five seconds left in the game.

It was Carter who passed to Scott for the lone Douglas TD. The Bulldogs took possession on their 35-yard line on a punt from left half Lewis Washington and used up just one play, the scoring pass. At that stage, the Winchester team looked like it could whip anybody.

FULLBACK JOHN SPENCER'S try from placement was no good and the scoring for Douglas was over for the afternoon. The Bulldogs had kicked off to Manassas, so the TD was their only offensive play of the game.

Before they took possession, the Bulldogs were tagged for one first down by the visitors.

In the third quarter, Douglas booted after making a first down, and Manassas started a drive from its own 47 which ended in the host end zone.

THE SPARK ON THE DRIVE for the TD was right half Melvin Dowell. The speedy lad racked up runs of 14, 10 and 2 yards with the 10-yarder giving the visitors a first-and-goal situation on the host nineyard line.

Fullback James Grayson broke over the middle to the Douglas five two short splunges moved the bal to the three-yard stripe; and then Lewis kept for the TD. His pass in the end one for the point was batted down.

Going into the final quarter all knotted at 6-6, the teams didn't have long to wait before the break of the game put in on ice for Manassas.

ON FOURTH DOWN near midfield, Douglas' elected to run for a first and failed to make it as John Carter was stopped on the Manassas 47.

The visitors took over and began to march. The key play was a 26-yard pass from Lewis to left end Ausuts Davis which put the ball in play on the Douglas 14-yard line.

The next first down came on a pass from Lewis to Harold Newman and put the ball in play on the Douglas two-yard line. Dowell cracked the center for a yard and then Lewis carried on the keep play into the end zone for the final score.

THIS TIME THE POINT was blocked by lineman Raymond Blowe.

It was a good game all the way but was still the third straight loss for the Bulldogs who had hoped to have a winning season. Just like Coach Barksdale stated before the season opened, "We'll do well with our first stringers if we can keep them on the field." As it is, injuries have forced the Douglas coach to use up some of his weaker second line, and the holes haven't been held open long enough for the running backs to get through.

LINEUPS

MANASSAS	POS	DOUGLAS
Davis	L E	Scott
Porter	LT	Cooper
Ewell	LG	Corley
Pinkett	C	Walker
Johnson	RG	Cary
Jackson	RT	Newman
Boswell	RE	Mason
Lewis	QB	Carter
Dowell	HB	Nelson
Washington	HB	Burks
Grayson	FB	Spencer

NO SUBSTITUTES

Bulldogs Bounced 6-0 In Final 28 Seconds By Page Jackson High

10-26-57

Winless Douglas lost a heartbreaking last minute decision to Charles Town's Page Jackson yesterday afternoon on the West Virginians' home field

Knotted in a scoreless game, the host eleven moved 60 yards inside the two-minute warning into the Douglas end zone. The scoring play came with 28 seconds left in the game just time for the kickoff and one incompleted pass by the Bulldogs.

THE BIG PLAY was an eight-yard pass from quarterback Charles Branson to left end Vanning Johnson on third down. A pass intereference penalty gave Page Jackson possession on the Douglas nine with a first and goal to go.

It looked like a scoreless game all the way as time ran out in the closing minutes. Douglas coudn't score and appeared to be out of danger when Harold Scott punted to the host 40.

But matters broke wide open in a hurry. Fullback Taylor lashed through the line for 25 yards to the Douglas 35 and then the pass interference penalty moved the ball down to the nine. It was a tough break, and Douglas never had time to make up for the mistake.

ALTHOUGH THE TRY for point was no good, the six points were enough to give Douglas a record of 0-4, the worst since Coach Ed Barksdale took over the team's reins.

Like in previous games, the Bulldogs are good enough across the first team to play the opposition even, but there aren't any subs to back them up in emergencies.

This game was Charles Town's fourth win in five starts.

LINEUPS

Douglas	POS	Page-Jackson
Scott	LE	Newman
Cooper	LT	A. Branson
Corley	LG	Holmes
Washington	C	Taylor
Blowe	RG	Dolenack
Newman	RT	Kremer
Mason	RE	B. Branson
Carter	QB	C. Branson
Burks	HB	Smith
Nelson	HB	Kemp
Spencer	FB	Taylor

Bulldogs Upset Rockville 22-7

Carter, Walker, Mason Add to Scoring Parade

11-2-57

By CHARLIE TAIT

Winless Douglas spotted visiting Carver High of Rockville seven points yesterday afternoon and flashed ahead to a 22-7 victory.

Breaking the ice came on the right day for the Bulldogs since it was Homecoming and the fans made the most of the thrilling come-from-behind win.

A bonehead play put the Bulldogs in the hole as they tried a fourth down pass gamble instead of punting. Alert secondary Ralph Patterson took the ball off the fingertips of a Douglas receiver and dashed 55 yards to payoff land. Fullback Carlton Jackson kicked the point and the score was 7-0.

THAT WAS THE END of the boners for the Bulldogs. If there had been any more in front of Coach Ed Barksdale, someone might have ridden the bench all the way to the locker room.

That touchdown came with the first quarter half over. The Bulldogs didn't get into the act until half way through the next period.

On four straight first downs, with most of the distance on runs by quarterback John Carter, the Bulldogs marched 45 yards to Carver's end zone. The veteran signal caller kept on fourth down from the one-yard line for the score and then passed to James Walker for the point. That made it a 7-7 game and gave the partisan fans something to cheer about.

THEY HAD A LOT MORE to cheer after the next kickoff when the Bulldog defense stiffened and stopped Carver for lost yardage. With Raymond Blowe and John Spencer knifing through the line for rugged tackles, the visitors found themselves back on their own 10-yard line needing 20 for a first down.

Center Hughes sailed one back to Ralph Patterson for the punt but the ball passed higher than the cross bar and cleanly out of the end zone for a cleanly out of sent the Bulldogs out in front 9-7 to stay.

In a game filled with spectacular punts and runs, the bad pass from center was far out of place. Whatever it was, the Bulldogs took the most of it and left the field at halftime on the heavy end of a 16-7 count.

THE SECOND DOUGLAS TD was set up on a 40-yard kickoff return after the safety by fleet Kenneth Burks. The Bulldogs took over on their opponents' 40.

Carter dashed down the left side for 14 yards and a first down and then 11 yards down the opposite side for another first. He sliced off the right tackle for five yards to the 10 and then passed to James Walker going from left to right for the TD. Burks went through the line for the extra point.

The pass from Carter to Walker was an exact duplicate of the extra point after the first touchdown.

THE SECOND HALF was a tug of war in and out of rain squalls. In the fourth quarter, halfback Lee Mason of the Bulldogs intercepted a short pass and went 10 yards for the final touchdown. The point try was no good.

Carver nearly got back in the game in the third quarter when it marched all the way from its own 30 to the Douglas five-yard line, but the Bulldogs stopped the march.

A pass interception gave the Marylanders possession on the Douglas 10 with a first and goal, but there tries at the line and a field goal all failed. The kick was blocked by Burks at the 15-yard line.

BEFORE IT CAME UP with the final TD, Douglas stopped another Carver driver as Mason intercepted on the Bulldogs' 29.

This was the first time during the season that Douglas played like a team all the way. And the result was a convincing win over a large school.

It was the kind of game that Coach Barksdale had figured his Bulldogs capable of all season, but he's never had the bench strength to rest is starter. He's never had the subs either to put in when he wanted to teach the first string some lessons.

LINEUPS

DOUGLAS	POS	CARVER
Scott	L E	Wilson
Cooper	L T	Ball
Cary	L G	Jackson
Washington	C	Hughes
Corley	R G	Kelley
Newman	R T	Dove
Walker	R E	Pumphrey
Carter	Q B	Smith
Mason	H B	Nelson
Nelson	H B	Patterson
Spencer	F B	Jackson

Douglas subs: Lavandar, Moten and Burks.

Statistician—Tommy Washington.

CURRY, SCOTT, WILLIAMS SCORE

Bulldogs Trample Carver 19-0

11-9-57

Douglas, which has always liked to pick on larger opponents, made it two straight over Carver High's football team yesterday with a 19-0 win at Rockville, Md.

The same club went down to defeat at Douglas 22-7 last week.

In the second quarter of yesterday's rain-soaked game, Lawrence Curry cracked the line from the two for the opening touchdown to cap a one-yard drive. The point try was no good by Kenneth Burks.

In the same period, Harold Scott took a 20-yard pass from quarterback John Carter for the distance and another score with Curry adding the point on a plunge through right tackle.

THE DRIVE WAS GOOD for 19 yards and ended the scoring in the half.

In the third quarter, the Bulldogs finally had a drive of some measure, taking a punt at midfield and putting the ball in play on the Marylanders' 45.

But the drive didn't take as long as the others. In fact, it took just one play.

JIMMY WILLIAMS, on the tail-end of a double reverse, sped the distance from his halfback slot to the end zone and made it 19-0. The point try by Burks failed and the scoring was over for the rainy afternoon.

After a scoreless first period when the Bulldogs made plenty of yardage but no points, Carver had the ball on its own 15 with a third-and-18-to-go situation.

Quarterback Ralph Patterson went back to punt and was hit trying to get the ball away with the Bulldogs revovering on the one. John Spencer fell on it to put Douglas on the edge of the Carver goal.

Spencer lost two yards on the first play and then Curry scored.

LESS THAN A MINUTE had gone in the quarter when the six points went up on the board.

The second touchdown was set up on a poor punt by Patterson from his end zone to the Carver 19-yard line.

Carter picked up three yards; James Walker lost five; Carter passed imcomplete; and then the quarterback hit Scott for the score.

The final score came late in the third after the teams had battled most of the time in Carver territory. The Bulldogs had driven to the Carver two-yard line when a fumble cost possession.

FULLBACK CARLTON Jackson hit the line three times trying to pick up a first down but lacked four when the fourth down came due. This time, Patterson got off a good kick to midfield to set up the reverse play.

Defensively, the Bulldogs had such stars as Raymond Blowe, Spencer, Scott, Melvin Cooper, Burks, Carter, Theodore Tolliver and Steve Newman.

On offense, Carter, Spencer, Williams and Curry were the big guns.

NEXT WEEK the Bulldogs are working on an extra game. If Coach Ed Barksdale can't land another, then the season ended with yesterday's win. After losing the first four games, the Bulldogs finished with 2-4.

Even another game couldn't put them up to the .500 mark, but the Bulldogs were still glad to finally get together into the kind of club early season practice has shown they could be.

Statistician —Tommy Washington.

Local Football Nears End of So-So Season

11-14-57

By CHARLIE TAIT

Locally, the football picture has been just so-so this year.

Douglas High has had a poor 2-4 marke with both wins over larger Carver High of Rockville, Md. Its losses were to Leesburg (7-12), Covington (6-13), Manassas (6-12) and Charles Town (0-6).

The winning scores over Carver were 22-7 in Winchester and 19-0 at Rockville. The Bulldogs have scored 60 points while giving up 50, because none of their losses were by more than seven points.

As far as the regular schedule is concerned, the Bulldogs are through for the season, although there may be an added game.

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Douglas Basketball
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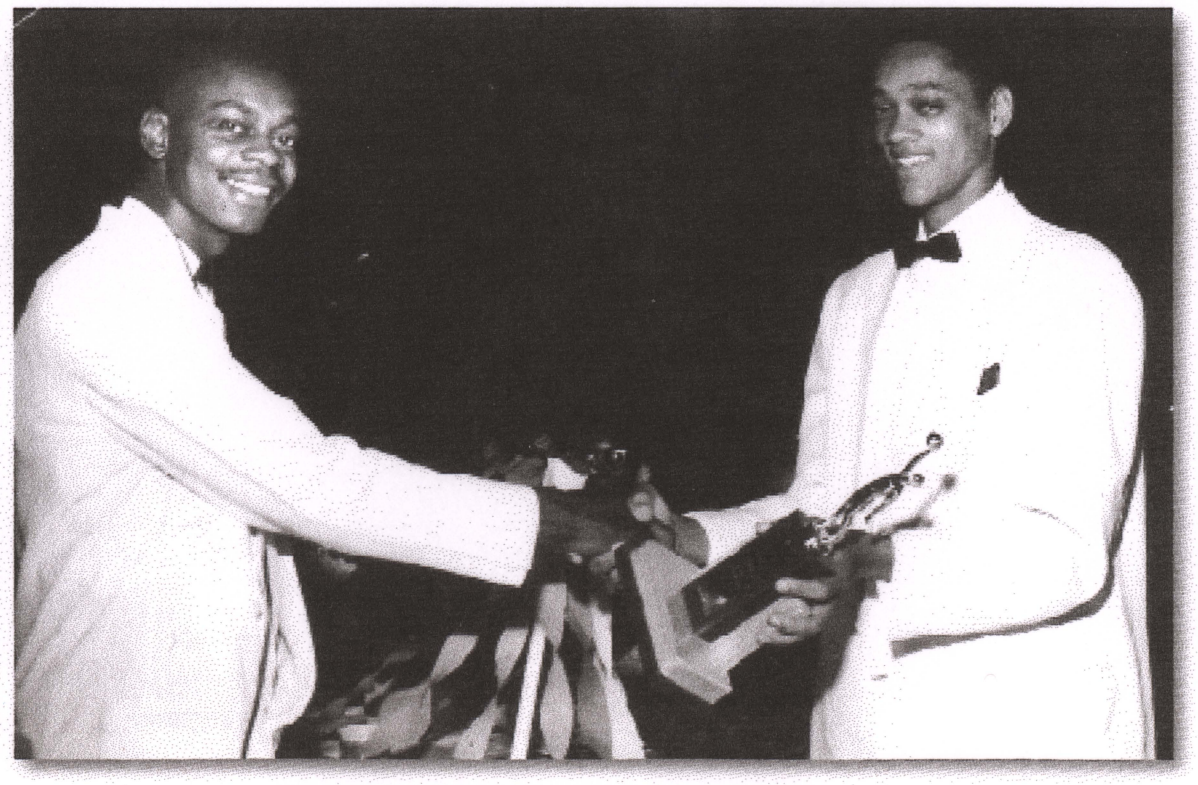
Dec	10	Jeanne Dean – Manassas, VA	53	33
	12	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	58	53
	16	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	81	44
Jan	7	Jeanne Dean – Manassas, VA	42	33
	9	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	55	46
	10	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	51	53
	16	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	75	50
	17	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	49	36
	23	Andrew Jackson – Luray, VA	90	40
	30	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	55	47
Feb	11	Ramer – Martinsburg, WV	76	29
	21	Lucy Sims – Harrisonburg, VA	68	48
		DISTRICT TOURNAMENT		
Mar	1	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	56	52
		REGION		
	8	Abrams -	72	30
	18	Buckley Lages – Exhibition	64	69
		STATE TOURNAMENT		
	21	Bunche – Edgehille, VA	51	38
	22	Woodson – Hopewell, VA	50	73

POINTS: Douglas - 1046
Opponents - 774



Douglas High School 1957-1958 basketball team. From row, left to right Edwin K. Barksdale (coach), James Walker, Ronald Moten, Thomas Washington, John Spencer; second row, Kenneth Burks, Raymond Blowe, Clifford Lee Mason, George Curry, John Benjamin Brown, and Stanley Long.



James Elwood Walker (right) received the basketball trophy from Coach Edwin K. Barksdale in 1958. (555-153b)

AGAINST MANASSAS

Bulldogs Open Here Tomorrow

12-9-57

By CHARLIE TAIT

The Douglas Bulldogs open their basketball season tomorrow night with a home game against Manassas.

A junior varsity preliminary will open the evening at 7:30 p.m.

Johnsilu Williams of Berryville will be here for a Thursday game with the girls starting the evening off right in a 7:30 preliminary.

Third game of the season will be on Monday as the Bulldogs hit the road for the first time, going to Johnson Williams. That night will be a varsity affair, only, beginning at 8 o'clock.

AFTER LAST YEAR'S record of 15-7, Coach Ed Barksdale has high hopes for his veteran-studded squad.

The Bulldogs moved to the semi-finals of the Group III Virginia Playoffs and reached the finals of the Tri-State League for a second place finish. Usually, the Douglas squad is hampered by lack of height, but this year's team seems to be a little taller.

SIX-FOOT VETERAN John Carter heads the list. The star footballer is a four-year man on the hardwoods. He is a good one-hand push shot artist, on the fast break, aggressive, has learned to pass better, and will be used as pivot on offense and forward on zone defense.

Six-one James Walker is a second year vet who averaged nine points in his first. He's shooting much better now, is a good rebounder and defensive man, goes into the corner on offense as a leading passer on the fast break, and plays guard on defense.

FIVE-NINE LEE MASON was the sixth man ont the squad last year as a freshman. He outscored everyone but the two top shooters with his 13 average and excells in layups. Mason's best shot is from the area around the free throw line; he's a good defensive player; aggressive; and can be used in any position.

Five-four Benny Brown is one of those bright lads who make up for lack of height in lots of smart playing. He's a senior this year and is probably the best man on the fast break that Coach Barksdale has around. Benny, who has achieved more than his measure of fame as a tap dancer on television, is a red hot lay up shooter who turned in a 12-point average last year for fourth high on the team. He's a forward on zone and goes to the outside on offense.

FIVE-10 TOMMY Washington is a senior who turned in his best performance on defense last year although he was fifth high in school. He's a good rebounder, aggressive (sometimes too much), excells in push shots around the center and corners and could be the most advanced player on the squad this year.

Six-two Ronald Moten has shown surprising improvement this year, turning into a good shot from anywhere on the floor and is a good ball handler. Moten is deceptive and smart and could be the big man most of the time, particularly in the Virginia League where Carter is ineligible.

SIX-ONE JOHN SPENCER was one of the first 10 players last season but is improved on passing and shooting now and also is a threat on rebounds. He's another player who will have to pull in his horns a bit or be called for being oping a hook shot. He could be a A working lad, there hasn't been sortiment of close shot swhich will make hi ma big factor.

FIVE-FVE KENNETH BURKS year he is showing signs of devel- an opportunity for him to lend his height to the club yet, but this has varsity experience, enjoys a reputation as a hustler and a nice ball handler who has a good outside one-hander.

Five-nine Webster Washington is up from the JV's with a delayed jump shot that could cause confusion among the opposition. He is fair on defense but commits too man violations.

Among the promising and the freshmen are: Stanley Long, Raymond Blowe and George Curry. They range from 5-5 to 5-9.

It could be an interesting season for the Bulldogs, although they will be fighting the taller schools, sti.

Winchester, Va., Wednesday, December 11, 1957

AGAINST MANASSAS

Douglas Opens Season With 53-33 Home Win

The Douglas Bulldogs opened their 1957-58 basketball season on the right note, winning by 20 points in a 53-33 game at home against Manassas.

From the time the 30-man visitors' squad alighted from their bus and stretched inches above the Douglas players, until the end of the 7-7 first quarter, it looked like trouble.

But the Bulldogs found the range then and moved to a 23-11 halftime advantage and 42-18 after three periods. In the final quarter, the subs came off the bench as Coach Ed Barksdale held the score down and the visitors picked up 15 more points.

STRICTLY A TEAM-EFFORT, the wel-balanced Bulldogs had four men scoring nine points apiece and one score of 10 points. Lee Mason was the high man for the host club but he had to take second place behind tall Tyrone Lewis of Manassas who ranked up 15 points nine of them in that final quarter.

The other four starters for the Bulldogs Benny Brown, John Carter, Ronald Moten and James Walker, scored the nine points apiece. Brown had three field goals and the other four starters had four apiece.

If they keep up that sort of balance, the Bulldogs are going to be near-impossible to beat this year.

TOMMY WASHINGTON came for some rugged second half competition and scored five points, while Kenneth Burks dropped in a final quarter goal for his two points and wrapped up the Bulldog scoring.

Behind Lewis of Manassas were: Louis Washington with three points, Fred Bills with four, Leon Thompson with three, Gene Roberts with six and Boyce Brooks with two.

The Bulldogs have a big one tomorow night against Johnson Williams of Berryville, a team which has been practicing right on through the football season.

The visitors from Berryville should be more than enough trouble for Douglas at this stage of the season, but Coach Barksdale has a sound club and may go on to a great year with some good bench work.

Right now, he has the support from the subs which he lacked in football.

WIN BY 58-53

Douglas Bulldogs Stall Johnson Williams Rally

12-12-57

Douglas High ran up a 16-point lead midway in the final period of last night's home game against Johnson Williams of Berryville and then put the clamps on a visitor rally.

The final score showed a 58-53 advantage for the Bulldogs, their second win in two starts and first over the Berryville lads in a four-game series.

With John Carter and James Walker combining for most of the points, the host quint moved to quarter leads of: 7-4, 26-18 and 41-32.

AS THE CLOCK NARROWED to 5½ minutes, Johnson Williams found the range for six fast goals by Benny Paige and Gary Mason to close the gap from 16 points to eight. When it was over, the Bulldogs had five of those eight left and had to have some lightning help from Walker to keep ahead.

At the end, Walker had 18 points, a point behind Carter who was the soul of consistancy. The veteran Carter racked up a pair of field goals in each quarter and added one for good measure in the third. He wasn't any ball of fire at the free throw line with just one completion in five attempts, but Carter kept his team ahead from the floor.

WALKER MADE TWO OF four attempts on foul shooting, but he had one less field goals (eight) than Carter.

Robert Moten turned in a fine game for the Bulldogs but was too aggressive. Before the third quarter was over, the 10-pointer had gone to the dressing room with his fifth personal foul.

Paige scored 12 points for the visitors while Chester Jones had 13 and Mason had 18. Mason and Moten had four free-throw connections each, far ahead of the field, and all of Mason's came in the final quarter as the rally went into effect.

JOINING MOTEN IN THE showers was Douglas' Lee Mason early in the third. None of the visitors fouled out, but Young had four charged against him in the two middle periods. Walker was charged with four but kept his nose clean in the final period when he had his best show.

On Monday, the Bulldogs travel to Berryville for a return match. They figure on having more trouble on the strange court. Since a home court is often credited with being worth 10-15 points for the host quint, the Bulldogs can't afford any weak moments.

LAST NIGHT, TWO OF THE brighter lights of the Bulldogs, Benny Brown and Tommy Washington, did not enjoy good performances. They should come around soon, though, according to Coach Ed Barksdale, since both have looked good in practice and are seasoned players.

In the preliminary game, the Douglas girls won 23-16 over Johnson Williams with Margaret Jackson tossing in 13 points. Elaine Parks had six and Delores Dyer had four. For the visitors, Christine Jones was tops with six points.

BULLDOGS ON TOP BY 81-44

Douglas Rocks Johnson Williams As Washington, Moten Lead Rout

12-16-57

Douglas High showed signs of opening up a wide gap against its opponents this season as it roamed all over the Johnson Williams court last night in defeating the Berryville club 81-44.

After Ronnie Moten sparked the Bulldogs to a commanding first quarter lead, Tommy Washington took over the rest of the way with his first outstanding performance of the year.

When the final scores went up on the board, Moten had 19 points, just one behind the late-starting Washington.

JOHN CARTER WAS the key man in last night's team attack as he passed better than in any previous game. He still managed to finish with 15 points, even though he was setting up the other men.

For the host quint, Benny Paige was the man-of-the-hour. He passed off well and came in first for his club with 19 points. He had seven field goals. Washington had nine. Moten had eight and Carter had six.

This was a better club that Douglas had on the court than when they showed in defeating the opposition in the first two games. It left the Bulldogs unbeaten going into the New Year. The next game is on January 7 at Manassas. There is a league game with Johnson Williams at Douglas on January 9 and then the Bulldogs go to Simms on the 10th.

LAST NIGHT'S TEAM shooting average for Douglas was 56 per cent, a red hot total and one that would certainly keep them unbeaten the rest of the season if the pace could continue. It probably won't, but the Bulldogs have the pleasure of their present undefeated status.

Two men were almost in double figures yesterday as Benny Brown of the visitors and host Chester Jones dropped in four goals a piece and one free shot for nine points.

Gary Mason of Berryville had eight points, while his mates, William Mason and George Whitmore, had 5 and 3 respectively.

The other Douglas scorers were: James Walker, 5; Kenneth Burks, 4; Lee Mason, 2; Webster Washington, 2; and John Spencer, 5.

FOULS HURT the visitors more than they did Johnson Williams as Walker was charged with four personals in the first quarter and went to the bench early in the second period. Mason went out in the fourth as did Washington. The latter had four goals in the second period and four more in the third as he racked up his 20 points while he could stay in the game.

For Berryville, Paige struck out in the fourth or he would have been over the 20 mark himself.

Whitmore, who was charged with four fouls by the middle of the third quarter, hung on the rest of the way without a whistle. William Mason and Chester Jones had the same trouble, although the latter was charged with his fourth in the third.

Douglas had the whistle blown 25 times while Johnson Williams was detected on exactly the same number of infractions. From the free throw line, Douglas made good on 12 of 36 attempts. Neither percentage was good.

IN THE JUNIOR VARSITY preliminary, Douglas won easily by a 34-18 margin as Webster Washington sank 16 points and George Curry sank nine. Webster went on to play in the varsity game as Coach Ed Barksdale needed to use the 10th grader to fill his depleted ranks.

For Berryville, Abner Carey scored seven points and Charles Whitemore had four.

At the end of the first quarter, it was the kind of a game which would ordinarily send the fans home with dismay as Douglas led 3-1. By intermission, business had picked up to 14-5 for Douglas and then it led 29-9 after three quarters.

Berryville put on a hot finish as the visitors started to slip, but it was too late.

Meeting Tonight Is Season's 4th For Douglas, JW

1-16-58

The Bulldogs of Douglas have a pair of away games tonight and tomorrow before a long stretch to the January 30 home date with Page-Jackson.

Tonight it's Johnson Williams playing the host in a game at Berryville with a junior varsity preliminary at 7:30. The Douglas varsity has dropped one game, to Simms of Harrisonburg, and the JV here is unbeaten. The Bulldogs own three wins over Berryville this season.

TOMORROW NIGHT, Douglas goes to Charles Town for its first meeting of the year with Page-Jackson and the JV's will see action first.

Except for the loss at Harrisonburg when the officials turned hot in the fourth quarter and the Bulldogs cold, the Douglas record shows signs of greatness. It has a fine chance of being the best in the school's history, particularly with an unbeaten junior varsity as well as an undefeated girls' team.

SWITCH TO ZONE

Unbeaten Douglas Defeats Manassas

1-8-58

Douglas made it four straight along an unbeaten path last night by skimming past host Manassas 42-33.

As Coach Ed Barksdale put it, "Any win on a small court, away from home, doesn't have to be a big score to make me happy."

It was the lowest point total for the undefeated Bulldogs, but the team effort was 1:: per cent with excellent passing and rebounding.

High man for the night for Douglas was James Walker, but Ronald Moten controlled the boards and Benny Brown and John Carter weren't far behind in the scoring.

Because of the small court, Douglas went into a zone for the first time this season and stayed there all the way.

In the first quarter, Lee Mason popped in a bucket and Brown and Walker had a pair each to put the Bulldogs in an 11 point lead. Possessive ball control after that put the clincher on the game.

The second quarter was the slowest for the Bulldogs with the only goal being scored by Moten. In the third, the Winchester players came through with four goals, two by Walker and one each by Carter and Tommie Washington.

THE FINAL QUARTER was the best for Douglas as Moten and Brown scored a pair of floor shots each and Carter and Walker added one each.

John Carter, who started out strong with three-for-three from the free throw line, finished in that department by missing four of his last five attempts. Moten had three-for-three for the game; Walker had two-for-two; and Mason had one-for-four.

THE DOUGLAS junior varsity won its third straight, knocking off Manassas 23-20.

Combined with a 1-0 record for the Douglas girls, the three teams of the local school have a record of 3-0.

Tomorrow night, the girls have a game with Johnson Williams at 7:30 p.m. to be followed by a varsity game between the two schools. The Berryville team knocked off Manassas in its last appearance to show marked improvement over its starting games, so it could be quite a battle.

January 10, 1958

Douglas Remains Unbeaten

Playing before a packed home gym, the Bulldogs of Douglas High pulled win number five out of the bat last night along the way to an undefeated mark.

Victim this time was Berryville's Johnson Williams High, but it didn't go down without staring Coach Ed Barksdale's lads.

Shooting at a poor 20 per cent from the floor in the opening quarters, Douglas finally found the range in the second half with 47.3 per cent to break away from the visitors.

WITH JAMES WALKER and Ronald Moten controlling the boards and Benny Brown and Lee Mason scoring on driving lay-ups, the Bulldogs showed enough balance to go all the way to their league crown.

Benny Paige of Berryville was high for his team, with 13 points, just a notch ahead of his mate, Gary Mason. Both had red hot fourth quarters as the visitors equalled the 23 points they had picked up in the other three periods.

FOR WINCHESTER, Brown scored 15 points with a pair of buckets in the first and last quarters, three more in the third and a cold spell in the second. Mason started slowly with a goal in the first half but finished with five more for 12 points. Walker fired in a goal in every period and added another in the third along with a free shot for 11 points.

Moten had three free shots along with three field goals for nine points. While Tommy Washington had four from the floor for eight points. That left the starting five with no less than eight points apiece and John Carter out of action.

DOUGLAS LOOKED REAL sharp on a second half fast break as Brown and Mason got out in front of the pack for their points.

It was one of those close games when every point brought down the roof. In fact, it may be a good idea to put in an air horn to signal the end of periods and to call fouls, since the ordinary means aren't enough in the douglas gym.

Tonight, the unbeaten Bulldogs have a rugged-one coming up at Simms of Harrisonburg.

LAST NIGHT'S PRELIMINARY went to the Douglas girls although they were behind Berryville most of the way.

Elaine Parks and Margaret Jackson were excellent on one-handers from the corners and the foul circle and each ended with 15 points to lead Douglas to the 34-31 victory.

Nevertheless, both had to take back seats to the visitors' Rosetta Carper who sank 20 points in a great individual performance. It was she who kept Douglas in the [illegible] couldn't stand the balance of the other girls, at least not by herself.

The girls are unbeatern, the junior varisty is unbeaten, and the varsity is too for a toal school record of 10-0 to this point.

Douglas Tops Page Jackson

1-18-58

Douglas won its seventh start in eight games yesterday on the strength of a fast start by downing host Page Jackson 49-36.

At one point, the Virginians led 11-2 over the Charles Town quint and then finished the first quarter with a 13-7 edge. That was the lead the Bulldogs needed and they made it stick the rest of the way after adding a point in the second period.

The Douglas zone defense worked well against the single high post and the double high-low post tactics of the West Virginians (after playing a first half of strictly possession ball).

Lee Mason turned in 18 points on eight field goals and a pair of free tosses for the Winchester five, while teammate Tommiy Washington came up with 11 points, the same as did Joe Kemp of the hosts.

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	Pts
Mason	8	2-3	18
Brown	3	2-2	8
Moten	2	1-1	5
Walker	1	1-3	3
Washington	4	3-5	11
Spencer	0	0-0	0
Carter	2	0-3	4
Harris	0	0-0	0
Totals	20	9-17	49

PAGE-JACKSON	FG	FT	Pts
Jackson	1	0-0	2
Kemp	4	3-36	11
Bailey	3	2-7	8
Baylor	3	1-3	7
Branson	0	0-0	0
Newman	4	0-2	8
Totals	15	6-18	36

For the first time this season the Douglas junior varsity was on the losing side of a game. The young Bulldogs lost out in the final two seconds of action by a 23-22 count as two fouls were their downfall.

Thursday Game Won by Douglas Over Berryville

1-18-58

Douglas hit its winning stride in full swing on Thursday night by shooting a fancy 49 per cent from the floor for a 75-50 win over Johnson Williams.

Played on the Berryville school's court, the winners started fast and didn't slow down as James Walker led the scorers and Ronald Moten controlled the boards. Walker was tied by Benny Paige of Johnson Williams with 23 points as each poured in 10 field goals and three free shots.

THE DIFFERENCE was that Walker scored his points steadily, starting with six goals in the first half as Douglas moved to a 38-15 margin. Paige dumped in his points in the closing quarters when closing the gap was all that could be done.

Two of the Bulldogs showed up with 15 points apiece, Tommy Washington and Moten, while a fourth was in double figures, too, as Lee Mason turned in 12 tallies.

BENNY BROWN had a six-point night and a good floor job, while John Spencer came off the bench to rap up four points in the third quarter. Shepherd Harris, who saw some fast action, was strictly a floor man.

George Whitmore and Chester Jones dumped in eight points apiece to back up the Berryville cause and Donald Clay had seven.

At the end of the first period it was 19-5 favoring the Bulldogs and the third quarter score was 61-32.

The Douglas Junior Varsity continued its winning ways with number five, 44-16, as Webster Washington came through with 15 points. Lawrence Carter and George Curry scored eight points apiece, while Roland Rier led the losers with seven points.

Douglas Stomps Luray Luray 90-40

Same Andrew Jackson Quint Held Simms to 9-Point Win

1-24-58

For the eighth time this season, Douglas stepped to the winner's circle last night, defeating Andrew Jackson 90-40 here.

Although it sounds like a runaway score, the Bulldogs varsity was on the court when the visitors from Luray counted heaviest.

When it was all over, though, 10 Bulldogs had a share in the scoring with James Walker setting the pace with 18 points.

REBOUNDING WELL, SHAKING scorers loose in a hurry with the fast break and stealing the ball well on a man-to-man defense, the Bulldogs shot to a 31-5 first quarter lead.

The starters didn't get back into the game until the third period and went out again shortly after the start of the final quarter. All of them finished in double figures, however.

IN THE EASY WIN, COACH Ed Barksdale had a good point of comparison for his one loss of the season, to Simms at Harrisonburg. Simms just edged Andrew Jackson by nine points and then managed to inflict a penalty-ridden loss on the Bulldogs and their undefeated record.

It was a shame to see a good record go down the drain in that game at Harrisonburg, but the Bulldogs are going to enjoy beating Simms when it comes to Douglas on February 18. They'll do it, too.

THE DOUGLAS GIRLS WON their fourth in a row of an unbeaten season as Margaret Jackson led the way with 17 points. Elaine Parks had seven and Frances Washington had two. The four points for the host quint were divided between Mary Lawson and Marie Broadus in the 26-4 game.

LURAY	G	FT	T
H. Veney	5	2-4	12
E. Veney	2	1-2	5
Hall	4	4-6	12
Tutt	0	1-3	1
Taylor	5	0-0	10
R. Veney	0	0-0	0
Whitley	0	0-0	0
Totals	16	8-17	40

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Brown	6	1-1	13
Mason	5	3-3	13
Walker	8	2-4	18
Moten	5	0-0	10
T. Washington	6	2-3	14
W. Washington	2	0-1	4
Harris	1	0-3	2
Long	1	0-0	2
Burks	3	0-0	6
Blowe	4	0-0	8
Totals	41	8-15	90

Score by periods:

Luray —	5	13	26	40
Douglas —	31	45	74	90

Bulldogs Take 10th Of Season

1-31-58

Douglas won its 10th game of the season last night before a good crowd at home as it started fast with a 16-2 lead and finished 55-47. The Bulldogs have lost once.

Coach Ed Barksdale, who had expected trouble from the West Virginians, was glad to have such a fine lead to coast on as his lads played one of their steadiest games. Nothing spectacular about the win, but the visitors knew which was the better club.

The next game for the Bulldogs is on February 6 at Luray. This one was originally scheduled for the 7th but a change in school programs caused the date to be moved to a Thursday night date instead.

Leading the Bulldogs to the win last night was Lee Mason with eight field goals and a free shot for a grand 17 total. Ronald Moten came up with the second best score for Douglas with 12 points, although Joe Kemp of Page-Jackson was right behind Mason with 16 points, all of them on field goals.

Good rebounding by James Walker, Moten, John Carter and Tommy Washington led to a successful fast break and some excellent drive-in shots by Mason and Benny Brown.

From this corner, the Bulldogs could go all the way if they don't suffer from over-confidence.

PAGE-JACKSON	G	FT	T
Bailey	3	2-3	8
Kenny	8	0-1	16
Johnson	0	0-0	0
Baylor	2	2-2	6
Jackson	0	1-1	1
Simms	4	0-1	8
Branson	0	0-0	0
Burns	0	0-0	0
Newman	3	2-4	8
Totals	20	7-12	47

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Brown	4	0-0	8
Mason	8	1-2	17
Moten	6	0-1	12
Washington	3	0-2	6
Walker	4	1-3	9
Carter	1	1-2	3
Spencer	0	0-0	0
Burks	0	0-0	0
Totals	26	3-10	55

Score by periods:

P - J—	6	16	27	47
D —	16	28	40	55

Official scorer: Lawrence Carter.

Douglas Host To Luray Five

2-4-58

Doubias has a home game against Luray on Thursday night, but it's only because the visitors don't have a court.

The first meeting between the two clubs this year was on January 23 with the Bulldogs winning by 50 points. That's not much of an odd for a league opponent, but Luray is one and the games count.

For Douglas fans who like to see their Bulldogs run up a big score, Thursday is a good night to take in a basketball game.

The girls play first at 7:30 p.m.

Bulldogs Win 12th

2-12-58

Douglas won its 12th game of the season against a single loss last night by trouncing Ramer of Martinsburg 78-39.

The host Bulldogs opened up in the second quarter and moved far ahead as varsity and substitutes had an equal chance to play.

This game put the Bulldogs in fine shape for Thursday's game at Rockville. It's a 2:30 affair with a return game here the night of Feb. 25.

ANOTHER CHANGE in schedule brings Luray here on Feb. 20.

Simms will be at Douglas next Tuesday; the Bulldogs go to Ramer on Wednesday, and then entertain Luray the next night. So it's going to be a busy week for Douglas coming up.

Last night, the preliminary game was between Buckley-Lages and the Martinsburg Independents. For the second time this season, the West Vriginians took it on the chin, losing to Buckley-Lages by a 68-65 margin. The other loss was to Bell's of Winchester.

CLION GILLIAM racked up 19 points while Tommy Duff (14), Sid Kline (10), Grimes (10) and Capofioit (10) gave him plenty of support in the win.

The main game was fairly close in the first quarter as the Bulldogs went out in front 14-9, but it broke apart before intermission when the hosts opened up a 20-point gap.

TOMMY WASHINGTON, who did all of his scoring in the first three quarters, finished out in front with 17 points on eight field goals and one free shot. Moten and Brown were close behind with 14 apiece, while Mason had 16. Walker, Carter, Spencer and Burks all had a hand in the scoring for the Bulldogs as Coach Ed Barksdale's lads showed a good balanced club.

James Burrell of the visitors was the lone double figure scorer as he reached the 10-point mark. He had just two field goals but made six-out-of-10 from the free-throw line.

Bulldogs Face Page-Jackson Here Tonight

1-30-58

The Douglas Bulldogs are hosts tonight to Page-Jackson of Charles Town, a team which they whipped over there on the 17th.

Even with that and with their great record of nine wins and a lone loss, Coach Ed Barksdale expects trouble for his team.

The game should draw a sell-out crowd beginning with a junior varsity preliminary at 7:30.

This could be Douglas' best season in history, but the game which Coach Barksdale wants most to win is on February 18 when Simms comes here from Harrisonburg. He's not overlooking anything in between, but that's a focal point.

A February 7 date with Luray follows tonight's action.

LURAY ON THURSDAY

Douglas Gains Revenge Over Simms by 68-48

2-24-58

Simms High, only winner over Douglas this season, was slapped down 68-48 Saturday night by the Bulldogs as a reward.

It was sweet revenge for the Winchester school which has contended all along that it, "Was Robbed."

Even with the addition of sharp-sharpshooting Woodrow Johnson to their squad, the Harrisonburg boys didn't have the skill to make it two in a row over the Bulldogs.

TOMMY WASHINGTON was the low man among the Douglas starters as he hit six points, but he was just as good as the others who showed too much balance for Simms.

Benny Brown and Ronald Moten had 17 points apiece, while Lee Mason and James Walker had 13 each. Sub Raymond Blowe had the other two points for Douglas.

Johnson sank 16 points as did Ted Temple of the visitors, but the next high man was Ashby Jackson with six points.

COACH ED BARKSDALE had his defenses set for Simms based on the first game, but the addition of Johnson threw his scheme into the ash can soon after the game started. Reverting to a zone defense, the Bulldogs pulled away from an 11-4 deficit to go in front 28-17 at half time intermission.

The Simms outfit held an 11-8 advantage after one quarter.

In the third quarter, Douglas pulled out all the stops to move to a near-30-point margin as the fast break of Brown, Mason and Washington excelled.

WITH WALKER AND MOTEN controlling the boards, Douglas didn't have to worry about the tall opposition.

Temple was guarded so well by Washington that he couldn't break away into double figures until the last four minutes when the pressure was off and the Douglas subs came in the game.

On Thursday, the Bulldogs have an easy time of it with Luray coming to Winchester. Then they get ready for the district tourney at Harrisonburg on March 1 and the winner of the J. Williams-Simms game.

Winchester, Va., Monday, March 3, 1958,

HAS BENEFIT TOMORROW

Douglas Captures Fourth District 3 Crown in Row

Douglas High is making a habit out of winning the District 3, Group III basketball championship.

For the fourth year in a row, Douglas annexed the crown Saturday night by whipping Simms of Harrisonburg on the loser's court. The score was 56-52, but the Bulldogs had a wide spread before the lead narrowed in the final moments.

IN THE BEGINNING, the Bulldogs were sluggish but soon warmed up to the task of winning the title and led all the way after a 21-21 intermission score.

They didn't have any shooters to equal the sharpshooting of Ted Temple who bagged 23 points on 11 field goals and a free shot, but the Bulldogs had three double figure scorers and two others who were near it.

WITH A FEW VARIATIONS, Douglas used a 2-1-2 defense all the way. Simms made its mistake by switching to a man-for-man in the fourth period after good success with a zone for the first three periods. By the time the Harrisonburg school realized its mistake, the gap showed nine points and it was all over but the shouting.

After compiling a 31 per cent average during the first half, Douglas upped its entire game average to 42 per cent from the floor with terrific improvement.

RONALD MOTEN, the center man in the fast break of the Bulldogs, was the team's high scorer with 16 points, 14 of them from the floor. He did a fine job of passing off on the sides to Benny Brown and Lee Mason and shooting when the opportunity was ripe.

Tommy Washington came through with the rebounding and clutch shooting, while James Walker played an all-around game.

BROWN, MOTEN and MASON were selected on the First Team during all-tournament play along with Temple and Woodrow Johnson of Simms. Walker and Washington were second team selections.

Douglas plays the Winchester All-Stars tomorrow night in the second game of a benefit night for Boy Scout Troop 89.

In the opener, the Shawnee Indians play the Shenandoah Tribe beinning at 7:30. The affair will be held in the Douglas gym.

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Brown	4	4-6	12
Mason	3	6-9	12
Moten	7	2-4	16
Walker	3	3-5	9
Washington	3	1-3	7
Totals	20	16-27	56

SIMMS	G	FT	T
Temple	11	1-3	23
Johnson	4	3-3	11
John	1	0-1	2
Jackson	4	1-2	9
Dickens	0	0-0	0
Madden	0	1-2	1
Whitelow	3	0-0	6
Byrd	0	0-0	0
Sampson	0	0-0	0
Totals	22	6-11	52

Score by periods:
D — 8 21 37 — 56
S — 6 21 34 — 52

Semi-final result: Simms 57 — Johnson Williams 38.

Winchester, Va., Saturday, March 8, 1958,

Bulldogs Blast Abrams 72-30

Douglas Goes to State Tournament at Hampton

By CHARLIE TAIT

Staring slowly, Douglas wound up fast against Abrams High last night to win its State Group III quarter-final match 72-30.

The 165-mile trip cut down on the visitors' crowd, but the Bulldogs gave their own fans all they wanted to see with a second half surge that started them on the way to Hampton Institute at Hampton next Friday.

THERE WILL BE four teams of the state tourney with an undetermined opponent. Groups I and II will share the spotlight with Douglas and the other Group III schools at Hampton as Virginia consolidated the tournament.

That will be the semi-final round from Group II (the number one quints in the state in their own class) and Douglas is rated about a 50-50 chance of pulling out the title. Last year, the Bulldogs lost in the opener at the simi-final stage but have a better team this season and may go all the way.

Douglas' record so far this season is 17-1, one of the finest in the Old Dominion.

With Tommy Washington absent because of his downtown job, the Bulldogs couldn't get their bearings in the first quarter as Ronnie Moten sank the lone field goal by a regular.

By the end of the period, the Bulldogs were out in front 14-8 as sub John Spencer came through with two field goals and the hosts scored eight free throws.

AT INTERMISSION, it was 26-14 Douglas and in came Tommy. From then on, the Bulldogs scored quickly to run up the score with 46 second-half points.

After three field goals in the first quarter and four in the second, the hosts managed to score 11 in the third and seven more in the final period.

Moten went on to the top performance of 20 points as he sank four goals in the third quarter, the same as registered by Lee Mason. The latter finished with 12 points, just a notch behind James Walker.

THE TWO SENIORS on the starting squad, Washington and Benny Brown, sank eight and 10 points respectively. The other senior, John Spencer, finished with six points.

All the rest of this year's District 3, Group III champs will be back next year including such stars from the junior variety as Webster Washington. John Carter, who is out of the league games this year after using up his eligibility, is the other graduate on the team.

Abrams, which started well and had a balanced attack, couldn't stand the fast break and the pace set for them by the Bulldogs and dropped all the way out of the state scene.

Joseph Lewis had seven points and Marvin Skelton had six to pace the visitors.

ABRAMS	G	FT	T
Paine	1	1-3	3
Washington	1	3-4	5
High	0	0-0	0
Skelton	2	3-3	7
Lewis		21-5	
Kay	2	0-1	4
Kickerson	1	0-1	2
Dabney	1	1-2	3
Totals	11	8-19	30

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Brown	4	2-3	10
Mason	4	4-7	12
Moten	7	6-8	20
Walker	4	4-8	12
Washington	4	0-1	8
Long	0	0-0	0
Burks	0	1-2	1
Curry	0	0-0	0
Blowe	1	0-0	2
Spencer	3	2-4	6
Totals	26	20-33	73

Score by periods:
D — 14 26 51 73
A — 8 14 19 30

MUSSELMAN LEAGUE

	Won	Lost
COOLERS	14	6
GRADERS	11	9
LABELERS	4	16

High Game — Norval Coe 109
High for 3 Games — Norval Coe 303

Douglas Keeps Winning With State Meet Ahead

S. C. Abrams Quint Here For Quarter-Final Bout On Friday at 8 O'Clock

3-5-58

Douglas warmed up for the State Group III quarterfinals this Friday by walloping an alumni group 62-35 last night before a good benefit crowd.

It was a Boy Scout benefit with the Shawnee Shooters outhitting the Shenandoah Quint 31-21 in a junior feature.

The winners of that match were coached by tap dancing Benny Brown, while the losers were coached by veteran Tommy Washington, B. Harris and Lawrence Carter were the big guns of the game.

In the varsity - alumni game, 10 of the Bulldogs scored while stopping all but four of their opponents. Those four included Lawrence Curry with one point.

DABNEY STEPHENSON, 11; John Carter, 16; and James Stephenson, 10; did the rest of the alumni scoring. Carter is strictly a varsity member, but he's too old to compete with the league schedule so he spent this particular evening with the alumni.

For the varsity, James Walker turned in a 15-point effort while Benny Brown had 12 and Lee Mason had 11. The percentage was poor, but the ball spent a lot of time in the air headed toward the basket. In the end, it was in the basket 29 times and out of it 51 times. From the free throw line, the Bulldogs made but four-of-14 for another poor percentage.

THAT SORT OF SHOOTING may not get the host quint past S. C. Abrams of Palmyra in the quarter-final match here Friday night.

The winner of that games goes to Hampton Institute for the semi-final round onMarch 14 and the finals on March 15. Friday's game is a single affair beginning at 8 o'clock and should draw a packed house.

This is the finest year in the history of Douglas basketball teams as the Bulldogs have run through 16 opponents and lost once. The loss was to Simms of Harrisonburg, a team which the Bulldogs defeated once during the season play and again on the Simms' court during the District 3 finals.

Douglas Bulldogs Tackle Powerful Buckley-Lages In Benefit Tilt Tomorrow

3-17-58

If you want to see what a high school team with a 17-1 record can do against a first class independent team, then take a look tomorrow night at the single game in the Douglas gym.

The Bulldogs are playing host to Buckley-Lages, first place club in the City Basketball League.

Proceeds from the game will go toward expenses that Douglas will have in making the trip to Hamilton Friday for the State Group III Championships.

ALTHOUGH EXPERIENCE favors Buckley-Lages, the Bulldogs have been playing a top flight Group III schedule and are real hustlers. Except for a fluke in drawing referees at Harrisonburg, the Bulldogs would have an unbeaten record to date.

Game time for tomorrow's action is 8 p.m.

It should be a free-scoring affair with the highlight on baskets rather than defense.

Buckley-Lages Drops Douglas In 69-64 Game

3-18-58

Buckley-Lages showed some of the power which has made it the regular season champ in the City Basketball League by downing Douglas High 69-64 last night on the Bulldogs' court.

At one point in the third quarter, the visitors from the Armory had Douglas by a 25-point death lock, but the Bulldogs cut the margin to 10 points against the second team and then matched the starters the remaining moments of the final quarter when they came back.

It was a well-played game, even though it meant a loss for the nearly unbeaten Bulldogs. It was their second against 17 wins, and probably served as a fine warm-up for the Group III State Tourney at Hampton Institute tomorrow night.

THE TEAM LEFT TODAY and will face Ralph Bunche High of Edge Hill in the Friday semi-final. Coach Ed Barksdale who has the Odds on the Bulldogs winning this one ans about 50-50 according to best percentage on calls in the area.

In last night's action, the passing of Buckley-Lages was a little too much for the Bulldogs at times and they stayed rattled even though holding their own on the fast break.

ONCE THEY FOUND that the visitors were not any bigger, they put on a better show. If the Buckley-Lages varsity had stayed on the court, Douglas would probably have pressed itself into a big loss. As it was, the five-point deficit is something for a high school team to be proud of in facing a tough independent unit like Buckley.

Buckley-Lages	G	FT	T
Kline	6	0-1	12
McCormack	3	0-1	6
Capozzoli	4	1-2	9
Rissler	2	2-2	6
Forsythe	0	0-0	0
Gilliam	6	3-3	15
Noiss	3	0-2	6
Nienbuis	1	0-0	2
Bertyczak	0	0-0	0
Grimes	4	5-7	13
Marshal	0	0-0	0
Totals	29	11-17	69

Douglas	G	FT	T
Brown	2	1-1	5
Mason	3	4-6	10
Moten	9	5-6	23
Walker	6	2-5	14
Washington	3	2-6	8
Blowe	0	0-0	0
Curry	0	2-2	2
Spencer	0	0-0	0
Burks	0	0-0	0
Long	0	0-0	0
Totals	24	16-26	64

Score by periods:

D —	7	21	35	64
BL —	16	36	54	69

Douglas Near State Title

Bulldogs Easy Winners Over Bunche by 51-38 In Hampton Tournament

3-21-58

Showing the balance which carried it to a 17-1 scholastic record up till tournament time, Douglas blasted Ralph Bunche of Edgehill 51-38 yesterday at Hampton Institute to gain the Group III Finals.

Win number 18 was not as tough as Coach Ed Barksdale figured it to be as his lads started fast and never let up on the pace. Only one of the Bunche High players made it into double figures while three of the Budddogs made it over the hump.

BUNCHE'S BEVERLY racked up four field goals and sank five free shots for a 13-point total and second place honors for the game. High man was Lee Mason, five-nine sophomore and best shotmaker on the team. The aggressive little fellow had seven goals and made another point from the foul line for a 15-point total.

JAMES WALKER, a six-one junior, was hot far behind with five goals and a pair of free shots for 12 points. Ronald Moten, the six-two replacement for John Carter in league games, came through with five and one for 11 points and was an eagle under the boards.

Almost in double figures was Tommy Washington, a senior who has been the best playmaker all season. The five-10 lad sank nine points with four goals and one free shot. The only starter who failed to hit at least four field goals was Benny Brown, but his fast-breaking put the Bunche quint on the defensive and kept them there. He still had time for two goals and a total of four points.

DOUBLAS MADE JUST five points from the free throw line, an unusual low, but the Bulldogs outhit their opponents 22-14 from the floor to make up any shortage. From the free throw line, Bunch hit 10 times, as Beverly equalled the entire Douglas output.

With the other half of the semi-final still in doubt, Douglas had to wait until later to find its opponent for tonight's championship game in the Group III race.

STATE TITLE

Woodson Defeats Douglas

3-22-58

The second best team in Group III of the Virginia Interscholastic Association is Douglas High of Winchester.

Number one in the state is Carter G. Woodson of Hopewell and there isn't any argument on the score.

The Hopewell lads romped to their fourth consecutive title Saturday night by a 73-50 score over Douglas after both had roared uncontested down to the finish line in the 27-school battle.

IT WAS THE FIRST TIME in the finals for the Bulldogs, but things are in good shape for another trip next season.

Woodson had too much height and balance for the Winchester boys but didn't start running away with the game until after intermission. At that point, the Bulldogs were on the lower end of a 28-22 margin but far from out of it.

Six-six Jim Price didn't find the range until that second half, but he made eight of his nine goals then to lead Woodson to their 23-point win. He finished with 19 points, just three ahead of Jacob Wyche, 6-3½, and Jerome Walden, 5-10.

SIX-TWO ROBERT WYCHE had 12 points and six-one Herbert Allen had 10.

Those five lads accounted for all of the Woodson scoring, just as the five Douglas starters sank all of the Bulldogs' points.

James Walker and Tommy Washington had a goal each in the first period as Woodson stepped out in front 15-7. Then Benny Brown, Lee Mason and Ronald Moten stepped into the act with a goal apiece to go with another by Walker and two by Washington to cut the lead to six points at intermission.

THEN THE TROUBLE BEGAN in earnest. Walden, who had been hitting sharply from outside, was joined by the inside work of Price and both Wyche brothers. Douglas couldn't play the big boys tight enough to cut off passes or grab rebounds and the Bulldogs didn't pick up enough points on their own fast break to keep the Woodson shooters within range.

The loss left the Bulldogs with a great season record of 18-2.

Woodson had four losses on its record before going to the tourney, but they were to Group I schools, considerably above the class to which Doublas has become accustomed. Group I schools have enrollments over 600 while Group III schools have enrollments less than 200.

DOUGLAS	G	FT	T
Brown	2	0-0	4
Mason	4	6-11	14
Moten	3	3-7	9
Walker	5	3-3	13
Washington	5	0-1	10
Spencer	0	0-0	0
Blowe	0	0-0	0
Totals	19	12-24	50

WOODSON	G	FT	T
J. Wyche	6	4-7	16
Walden	6	4-8	16
Price	9	1-2	19
Allen	4	2-3	10
R. Wyche	6	0-3	12
Totals	32	11-23	73

Score by periods:

D —	7	15	11	17	— 50
W —	15	13	17	28	— 73

1958 – 1959

1958 Football

The Douglas team had a record 2-1-2 during the season. Every game was a shut out for the victors and both ties were 0-0.

1958-1959 Basketball

This team finished with a record of 14-3 and continued the tradition of winning the District 3 Championship for the fifth consecutive year. The Bulldogs also defeated Watson of Covington in the Region before losing to St Claire-Walker of Storemont in the State Tournament.

Team members: James Walker, Ronald Moten, Lee Mas, George Curry, Stanley Long, Webster Washington, Melvin Cooper, John Laws, Kenneth Pye and Bushrod Harris.

Leading scorers:	Ronald Moten	16 games	257 points	16.06% average
	Lee Mason	15 games	217 points	14.46% average
	James Walker	16 games	219 points	13.68% average

1958
Douglas – Football
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			D	O
Oct	2	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	0	0
	9	Lucy Sims – Harrisonburg, VA	39	0
	17	Jeanne Dean - Manassas, VA	0	18
	24	Carver – Culpeper, VA (Cancelled)		
	31	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	0	0
Nov	7	Lucy Sims – Harrisonburg, VA	47	0

POINTS: Douglas - 86
Opponents - 18

DOUGLAS HAS 30-12-1 RECORD

Bulldogs Open Season Against Page Jackson

10-1-58

By CHARLIE TAIT

Tomorrow is opening day for the Douglas High Bulldogs.

Coming to town for the 2 o'clock game will be Page Jackson of Charles Town, a school which has two games under its belt already. Even though both games were losses, the West Virginians will have that advantage in experience.

Charles Town is big, fast and aggressive but it ran into two top rated clubs to begin its season and has the same sort of bargain ahead of it tomorrow.

The Bulldogs are loaded with veterans, but are short on practice.

At left end will be senior James Walker, a six-two, 172-pounder out for his second season. He's a letterman who catches well, turns in a good blocking game and plays all the way on defense.

At left tackle is Charles Corley, a junior in his third season. He tips the scales at 175, and stands 5-9½. He's a good blocker and a first rate outside line backer. He's a letterman.

Also lined up for the left tackle slot is Melvin Cooper, a junior in his third year. He's the tallest man on the squad at 6-4 and weighs 185. Cooper is a letterman with a reputation for being a vicious blocker and strong defensive player. His only problem is living in Woodstock, which means missing some practice sessions.

At guard on the left side is sophomore Raymond Blowe, a second year letterman who knows the best way to use a 5-8 frame along with his solid 160 pounds. This lad is fast, aggressive, blocks well and is a strong defender. His problem is a recent operation from which he is still recovering.

Bushrod Harris is a first year man at the same guard position. He's coming along fast and shows signs of being a mean blocker. A junior, Harris is 5-7 and weighs 152.

Letterman Webster Washington holds down the center position. He is a 5-10, 165-pounder in the junior class. This is his second year but he has all the makings of a grade A middle man. He blocks well, likes the game and acts as middle linebacker on defense. Washington is also well equipped to take over the fullback position when necessary because of his hard running ability.

Also at center, Coach Edwin Barksdale has Lewis Newman, a senior letterman in his second year. The big guy stands six foot and weighs 180. He is good on the punt snap, blocks well, and was missed last season when his traveling problems from Strasburg were too much. Coach Barksdale had to do some tall talking to get him back in the fold, but he's good and worth the argument.

Both right guards are lettermen. Sophomore Kenneth Cary is tall at 6-1 and weighs enough at 175. It's his third season. He's a quick thinker who can be shifted into the left half position. Cary blocks fairly well, and has had plenty of defensive experience. Theodore Tolliver is a junior who is 5-7½ and weighs 178. Despite the shortness along with that sturdy frame, Tolliver is fast, blocks well and tackles like a demon. He has the Woodstock travel problem, also.

A couple of green tackles are in line for the right side. Roland Bland is a freshman who has already reached the 5-9¼, 180 stage. That status is a little misleading since Bland is a Navy returnee. He's strong on blocking and thinks well, but has a bit of trouble with financial support to stay in school. Robert Washington is a freshman who hits the scales at 175 and stands 6-1½. He's a fair blocker but rough.

Left end Ronald Moten is a 6-3, 170 junior who earned his letter last year. When Moten is not being used as a pass snagger, he can take over a defensive halfback post.

Quarterback George Curry is a green freshman who weighs 160 and stands 5-9. He passes well, is a hard runner, thinks well on punts and should be a good replacement for John Carter, the outstanding player at Douglas the last four seasons. Curry fits well into the defensive pattern.

Left half Garland Williams is a fourth year letterman who can turn in a good game all the way. He's 5-6 and weighs 140.

At right half is Lee Mason, a junior letterman who weighs 152 and is short at 4-8½. He runs well, is a good pass receiver and a fair blocker. He is another defensive halfback.

Senior Kenneth Burks is 5-7, 158 and is in his fourth year as a letterman. He's a hard runner from the fullback post but can go as second string quarterback. He is the best blocker and a good man down under a pass. Burks is also a strong outside linebacker and can retreat into safety position.

The rest of the team did not letter.

It includes: John Lewis, freshman, 5-8, 155. He is fast, blocks well and can catch the tosses of Curry. Frank Lavender is an end in the junior class. He is 6-1, 162, knows the game and is deceptive in outsmarting the defense on passes. Herome Jackson is a sophomore tackle who stands 5-9 and weighs 168. Right now he's suffering along with a broken finger. Nevertheless, Coach Barksdale will have to use him for placekicking and kicking off. He's a nephew of Charlie Jackson, the star lineman of Montana State College. Eugene Washington is a halfback who is 5-7, 145. A tricky runner, Washington has come along nicely and could be a star by his sophomore or junior year.

Eugene Polston is a 5-8, 186-freshman guard who tackles well and does a good job of blocking.

The overall record of the Bulldogs since 1952 is 30 wins, 12 losses and a tie. The prospects are bright for this year, but the school officials would like to see a few more fans in the stands. It helps a team when the support of the fans is loudest.

Several persons have contributed to the support of the team so far, financially, but it would be even better to have a good crowd on hand tomorrow.

GREAT DEFENSE

Douglas, Page Jackson Finish in 0-0 Deadlock

10-3-58

Douglas opened its 1958 football season with a 0-0 stalemate at home against Page Jackson of Charles Town yesterday afternoon.

Statistically, the Bulldogs of Douglas had the edge with seven first downs to one for the West Virginians, but neither side had its good line crossed.

The visitors reached the Douglas 2-yard line after recovering a fumble on the nine, but the same defense which held for 43 yards on the ground all afternoon was enough to prevent that score.

Best threat of the Virginians was to the nine, but first-day inexperience left the passing attack of the Bulldogs cold. Quarterback George Curry was a bit slow getting the ball away and the secondary was set for his tosses.

Douglas picked up 52 yards on the ground and made another 74 through the air. The visitors gained only 6 yards on aerials as one pass was completed out of 12 attempts. Douglas made good on four out of the same number of passes.

With two games under their belts and 20 pounds extra per man, the West Virginians looked tough to the green Bulldogs and their 300 fans.

About the toughest thing against the visitors was the Bulldog line which broke through time after time to stop the runners before they could hit their speed and worry the passer before he could spot his receivers.

On penalities, the Bulldogs were charged with 35 yards, but the West Virginians were set back 125 yards.

Twice the Bulldogs reached up to grab passes from quarterback Clarence Brennan, while one of Curry's fell into enemy hands.

From a spectator's standpoint, it was an unusually exciting defenseive game. One of the Bulldog punts came on third down with a yard to go and stunned the Page Jackson safety man clean out of the picture.

Although Coach Ed Barksdale's lads were playing for the break in Page Jackson's armor, it never came. Since losing two games by close scores to a couple of powerhouses, the West Virginians were too sharp to make many mistakes. They came up with a couple, but none were harmful in the scoring column.

To say that the Douglas line took a beating would be putting it mildy. Center Webseter Washington took such pounding around the face that Coach Barksdale said his own lips were swollen.

Left guard Raymond Blowe at 60 pounds and five-six was playing opposite a man who outwighed him 45 pounds and stood six inches taller. A person wouldn't have to read between the lines to know how Blowe feels today.

Nevertheless, Douglas (from end to end) stopped the visitors for four quarters — cold.

By the next game, the backfield of Curry, Garland Williams Lee Mason and Kenneth Burks will be ready to roll.

SIX MEN SCORE TDS

Douglas Bulldogs Rout Harrisonburg by 39-0

10-18-58

The Bulldogs rolled to a 39-0 win over Lucy Simms High at Harrisonburg as six men shared in the touchdown making.

After an opening day tie against Charles Town's Page Jackson when the backs didn't have the experience to get going, last night showed that the Bulldogs will be ready for Manassas (a powerhouse) next Friday.

A blocked punt set up last night's opening score. The break came when Coach Ed Barksdale sent an eight man line into the punter's face and the ball was downed on the Simms 18-yard line.

The touchdown was scored by ninth grade quarterback George Curry from the three, but he passed incomplete for the extra point.

Three mintues later (after the start of the second quarter), a punt which didn't get away gave the Bulldogs possession on the Simms' 30-yard line.

That drive ended when Lee Mason crashed through from the one-yard line. Curry hit Ronald Moten with an extra point pass and it was 13-0, which was where the score stayed at halftime.

In the third quarter, Raymond Blowe fell on a Simms fumble deep in the hosts' territory. Kenneth Burks went over from the one and it stayed 19-0 as Curry's pass for the point failed.

Webster Washington set up the next score when he fell on a host fumble on the inside of the 50. The scoring play was a 16-yard pass from Curry to Moten with Burks running over the point afterwards.

Charles Corley grabbed off a Richard Madden pass on the visitors' 40 from his right linebacker position and went all the way for the fifth touchdown. A run for the point missed, and it was 32-0.

John Laws, who turned in a great game, moved into the scorer's circle in the final quarter when he ran a punt back 60 yards to set up the TD and then crossed into the end zone from the 10 two plays later. This time, Washington sped into extra point territory and the scoring was over for the night.

All of the bench saw considerable action as Coach Barksdale tried to keep the game from turning into a rout, but it didn't make much differnce because his second stringers looked just like his first.

Statistically, the Bulldogs piled up 178 yards on the ground to 54 and outpassed the host club 69 to 39. The first downs were in favor of the Winchester team 8-4 and each team had a pass intercepted.

The main trouble for Simms came in the fumble department. The hosts lost the ball six times that way.

After Manassas, Douglas has its third away game in a row as it goes to Culpeper to take on Carver. Then Douglass of Leesburg and Simms will be in Winchester on the 31st and the 7th Carver is the 24th.

Douglas Plays Leesburg Team

10-29-58

Douglas entertains Leesburg's Doughboys tomorrow afternoon at 2 p. m. in what is shaping up as one of the area's best games.

The visiting footballers have the weight and height over the Bulldogs, but that won't stop Coach Ed Barksdale's lads from giving them a real fight.

In experience, the visitors have the edge, too, with six games played as compared to three for Douglas.

Douglass has a 3-2-1 record and Douglas owns a 1-1-1 mark.

Last week's game was cancelled because of a mixup in the schedule. Carver of Culpeper, which was to have played Winchester's Douglas, had Leesburg's Douglass on the schedule, too. A front office error, but it put the Bulldogs on the idle list for a week.

This game ought to set u pmatters for Homecoming on November 7 in a scrap with Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg.

In a benefit game for the Homecoming Contest, the Bulldogs put it on the City All-Stars last night in a special basketball contest in the Douglas gym.

High scorers for the school team were: Ronald Moten (19), Lee Mason (15), Charles Walker (12), George Curry (10) and Raymond Blowe (10).

For the city team, Theodore Finley was on top with 15 while former Douglas ace, John Carter, followed with 12. The final score was 71-49 for the Bulldogs.

It's a little early for basketball around here, but the Bulldogs wanted to raise money for the Homecoming events and they were quite successful. The amount is hush-hush since this is a contest which may decide who is to be Homecoming Queen.

TOO MUCH HEIGHT

Douglas Drops 18-0 Contest to Manassas

10-18-58

A sizzling pass attack was too much for visiting Douglas yesterday afternoon as the Bulldogs went down 18-0 before Manassas, the powerhouse of the area.

I tmarked the fifth win along a spotless path for Manassas and it was mostly on the arm of quarterback Tyrone Lewis whose tosses scored all three touchdowns.

On the ends, Manassas had a couple of unstoppable big men, Pete Newman and Carl Brooks. Newman took the first TD heave from Lewis from 29 yards out and then Books came up with a couple of catches which were turned into scores.

The first one required a latteral on the end of it to Melvin Dowell as the play covered 15 yards, but the second went straight through from the nine yard line.

Douglas (short across the line, anyway) had to contend with a 6-3 and 6-5 pair of ends and a 6-3 quarterback.

On the first TD pass, Lewis was trapped by three linemen and still went up in the air to get the heave away to Newman.

There were no extra points and the touchdowns came on a period after the scoreless first quarter.

Douglas' best shot at a score came on a 58-yard runback of punt by Lee Mason in the opening quarter. The series, which started on the host 29 after the return, faded out far short of the goal.

Tolliver and Blowe were outstanding in the line for Douglas, while linebackers Burks, Washington and Corley were kept busier than men should be.

Mason turned in a good secondary game and quarterback George Curry did a nice job of ball handling despite the fact that Douglas couldn't score.

For one thing, Curry didn't get the kind of protection he would have like with all of that height facing him across the line.

Next Friday, the Bulldogs have a date at Culpeper against Carver, a team with a 3-2 record as compared to the 1-1-1 of the Winchester team.

Statistically, Manassas picked up 11 first downs to 4; made 124 yards on the ground to 64, attempted 21 passes and completed 16 for 134 yards as compared to 7-for-13 and 74 yards for Douglas, and were penalized 35 yards as marked up against the 15 yards suffered by Douglas.

That meant nearly a perfect game for the Winchester boys in so far as staying away from the penatlies.

NOT MUCH DIFFERENCE

Douglas Held to 0-0 Deadlock by Douglass

11-1-58

By CHARLIE TAIT

For the second time this season, Douglas finished a game exactly where it started, in a scoreless deadlock.

Visiting Douglass of Leesburg didn't have the stuff to score against the Bulldogs of Winchester's Douglas, but they had enough power to keep the deadlock in the second quarter an offensive threat to the Bulldogs' goal.

The only score came on a 44-yard scoring play with George Curry passing to James Walker. The left end (Walker) had a head-start on the play and up went the red flag.

A 15-yard penalty in the final quarter broke up another deep Douglas penetration. On the play, Walker reached the 12-yard line on a pass play from Curry, but a flag on the down shoved the ball back to the 27.

Then Curry carried for three yards. On the next play, he was hit trying to pass, losing eight yards and possession of the ball on a fumble.

A penalty on the series shoved the Bulldogs all the way back to midfield to complete the trouble. Instead of a first down situation on the 12, the Bulldogs found themselves at the 50 with the Tigers in possession.

In the third quarter, Douglas started on the 46 of Leesburg and picked up a first down on a pass from Curry to Ronald Moten. Curry hit Lee Mason on a flair pass for 19 yards and up cropped an offside penalty to break the play in half. Walker was offside on the play.

A fumble on the following play turned the ball over to Leesburg and another drive was stopped.

The closest penetration made by the Tigers was to the Bulldogs' 34, although the statistics showed the clubs nearly even.

On total yardage, Douglas led by one, 136 to 135.

In the passing department, Leesburg led 44-0 with 3-for-11 Winchester had 44 yards with 4-for-15.

In the ground gaining department, Douglas moved for 92 yards as compared to 77 for the visitors.

A big difference in the passing attacks was Winchester's ability to intercept, the backs grabbing off four attempts.

On the other hand, Winchester fumbled the ball away on two costly occasions.

Forty yards in penalties against Winchester as compared to just five yards against Leesburg made a difference, too.

Next Friday afternoon, the Bulldogs have Homecoming. It's a 2 o'clock game against Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg with the odds more than slightly in favor of Winchester.

As far as the regular schedule is concerned, that's the final game. There is an outside possibility of another game, but right now Coach Ed Barksdale would rather see his lads on a basketball court.

For the season, Douglas has a 3-3-2 record with four of the nine being scoreless affairs. Leesburg has a 3-2-2 record.

Both of the previous foes of Leesburg didn't score yesterday were: Webster Washington, Raymond Blowe, Melvin Cooper and Kenneth Burks. Two of the reasons why the Bulldog attack was nearly successful were Lee Mason and Williams.

The only reason the Leesburg attack functioned as well as it did was left halfback Charles Lansdown, a real hard runner.

Leesburg had a big club, but the Tigers didn't have the savvy enjoyed by Winchester's Douglas.

As a late season surprise, Douglass has Manassas on the schedule. Winchester's Douglas can give the Tigers a tip about that bit of trouble.

BIG GAME FRIDAY AT 2

Harriet Washington Named Douglas Football Queen

Friday is the top football day of the year for Douglas.

The Bulldogs will crown Miss Homecoming (junior Harriet Washington) and probably win their final game of the season.

With a win over Friday's opponent), a loss and two ties so far this season, the Bulldogs need this one to escape the .500 level.

They'll win if they follow the pattern set at Harrisonburg a few weeks ago when this same Lucy Simms went down to a 39-0 defeat at the hands of the Bulldogs.

Every grade is represented in the Miss Homecoming ceremonies.

From the senior class will come Judith Gaither; Patricia Toliver represents the 10th; Arnetta Lavender the 9th; and Violet Blowe the 8th.

A few changes have been made in the Bulldog lineup, according to Coach Ed Barksdale, who has his eye on next season.

Bushrod Harris has been sent to center and Webster Washington moved into the fullback berth. Melvin Cooper will take over at right end and Theodore Tolliver is in the right tackle slot. The other changes will be a mystery until game time which is set for 2 o'clock.

In the Miss Homecoming contest (which was won by Harriet Washington) a total of $432.14 was raised by the students and faculty.

One of the benefit programs was the Douglas-City Team basketball game which the Bulldogs won over their former classmates by a decisive score. Next week, the Bulldogs will be in basketball uniforms for a steady diet.

47-0 OVER SIMMS

Douglas Ends With Season Smashing Score

11-8-58

By CHARLIE TAIT

Douglas made Homecoming a top success yesterday afternoon by stomping Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg 47-0 in the final game of the season.

In between seven touchdowns and five extra points, the Bulldogs took time out to see the crowning of Miss Homecoming of 1958 (Harriet Washington) by the 1957 queen, Ann Ransom.

Ann, a senior, placed the crown on the head of her junior successor before co-captains Garland Williams and Kenneth Burks presented her with the annual trophy.

In the queen's court were: Violet Blowe, Arnetta Lavender, Patricia Tolliver and Katherine Gaither.

Scoring for the Bulldogs were: Williams and George Curry (two apiece), Burks, Webster Washington and John Laws (one apiece). The extra points were by Washington (2), Burks (2) and James Walker (pass from Curry).

At the half, the score was 26-0.

The victory was the second of the season for Douglas against one defeat and two 0-0 deadlocks. With only Walker and the two co-captains (Burks and Williams) on the graduate list, Coach Ed Barksdale has the makings of a great squad for next season. He'll miss that trio, but there are some good freshmen coming along, including Laws and Curry, a pair of yesterday's heroes. Seven of the returnees will be seniors next season.

Three plays after the kickoff to Lucy Simms, Douglas had the ball on an interception by Burks on the Douglas 49. Seven plays later, Burks went around left end 16 yards for the TD.

After the kickoff, Simms failed to gain and had to punt, the ball landing on the punter's, own 20 as it took a backward bounce. This Doublas drive took three plays with Williams going in from the one-yard line on a sweep around right. Neither point was made after the first scores.

Ahead 12-0, the Bulldogs added another first period touchdown five plays later as Curry ran around his left end from the 12. It was the first play from scrimmage after a beautiful punt return by Kenneth Cary put the ball down so close to the goal. This time the point was run over by Washington, a converted center in the full back slot to gain weight in the running and blocking departments.

In the second quarter, Curry set up the lone TD with a 26-yard jaunt off his left side (a keeper play). Washington capped the drive when he went in from four yards out over his own left guard.

The second half scoring started fast as Curry rolled off a 56-yard end run to the Simms' 21-yard line. On the second play, the same back went in from the 18. Burks scored the point off tackle.

Laws scored the next touchdown but it came in the final period. The freshman sensation sped 39 yards around the Douglas right side and Washington added the point. It was the longest drive of the game for the Bulldogs, covering 85 yards.

The final score was by Williams on an 11-yard burst to cap a 35-yard drive. Walker caught the pass from Curry for the point to wind up the scoring.

Douglas picked up 256 yards, all but 21 of them on the ground. Simms made 101 yards but couldn't cross the point stripe.

Penalties were few as the Bulldogs were charged with 25 yards and the visitors with 10.

One of the turning points in the lopsided score was the ability of the Douglas back to grab the ball away from the intended receivers. Four times the ball was intercepted, while Douglas didn't lose any.

Starring for Simms were halfback Dick Madden and fullback Ted Temple. But their blocking was weak.

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Dec	12	Jeanne Dean – Manassas, VA	35	36
	13	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	53	52
	17	Jeanne Dean – Manassas, VA	52	44
Jan	9	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	63	56
	17	Ramer – Martinsburg, WV	86	64
	23	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	62	46
	24	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	57	48
	27	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	42	72
	28	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	58	53
	30	Ramer – Martinsburg, WV	56	25
Feb	5	Carver – Culpeper, VA	65	61
	6	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	70	57
	12	Carver – Culpeper, VA	74	42
	20	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	57	53
		DISTRICT GROUP III CHAMPIONS		
		REGION		
Mar	6	Watson – Covington, VA	79	35
	11	Buckley Lages, Winchester, VA (Exibition)	68	67
		STATE TOURNAMENT		
	14	St Clare Walker – Storemont, VA	55	77

POINTS: Douglas - 1032
Opponents - 888



Douglas High School 1959 boys' basketball team. Left to right: Kenneth Pye, Clifford Lee Mason, George Curry, Frank Lavender, Ronald Moten, Melvin Cooper, James Walker, Robert Washington, Webster Washington, John Laws Jr., Bushrod Harris, Stanley Long. (555-77a)

12-10-58

TOMORROW NIGHT

Douglas Opens With Manassas

The Douglas Bulldogs open the 1958-59 basketball season tomorrow night at Manassas with high hopes of reaching last year's 18-2 mark.

On the strength of a 12-game schedule so far, Coach Ed Barksdale hasn't the high hopes that he might, but some added games and tournament play would fill it up a lot.

One thing for certain, the Bulldogs have a balanced unit and holdover strength from last season.

After tomorrow's test at Manassas, the Bulldogs have a Friday date with Lucy Simms at Harrisonburg (the only club in the regular season to boast a win over Douglas).

The home opener for the Bulldogs will be against Manassas on the 16th at 7:30 with the junior varsities getting the evening underway. The J.V.s go to Manassas tomorrow, too.

After the 16th, the schedule folds for the year.

Heading the varsity line-up will be co-captains James Walker and Ronald Moten. Walker is a 6-2 senior and Moten is a 6-3 junior. Their height and experience is going to put the Bulldogs up with the clubs who have always towered over them.

Three-year-letterman Lee Mason is a 5-9 junior who has plenty on the ball and can worry the opposition to death.

George Curry is a half inch taller, but is in his first year and is in the freshman class. A sophomore, Stanley Long, may take over a starting berth despite his youth and shortness (5-6) if he isn't run off the floor by Webster Washington.

Washington is a comer. He's a 5-10 former JV star and a junior classman. His good ball handling and smartness may put him on the starting five.

A second year man is Melvin Cooper, a 6-4 junior who is the tallest man on the team.

Frank Lavendar, another junior, stands 6-2 and is in his second season. When Coach Barksdale needs height, he can field a club well over six feet average and that's something he's never done before.

One of the best prospects on the squad is 5-7 freshman Kenneth Pye. Another comer is 5-8 freshman John Laws.

Beyond that, there's the junior varsity.

The Bulldogs went all the way to the Group II runner-up position in the state last season and nearly carried off all the honors. It's going to be tough to do as well, but the squad has height, speed and hustle. The Bulldogs have always enjoyed a fast, hustling club, but height gives them a new advantage and Douglas fans hope they make the most of it.

Manassas Surprises Douglas

12-12-58

Manassas proved to be a tough ball club on its own court last night as it tripped Winchester's Douglas 36-35.

The finish was slightly more than dramatic. Behind by a point, Manassas found a horseshoe as Harold Newman let one fly from his own end of the court and it swished through at the Douglas end.

There wasn't time for anything else but congratulations, except Douglas gets a crack at revenge next Tuesday night, here. On their own larger court, the Bulldogs are going to prove matters to their own benefit.

Even with a loss to Manassas, the Bulldogs will be 10-point favorites at Douglas.

Before that, however, the Bulldogs have to face ever-tough Lucy Simms at Harrisonburg tonight. It's a 7:30 doubleheader with the junior varsity starting the evening.

Last night's low-scoring affair found the Bulldogs unable to collect their proper share from the free throw line even though they had enough opportunities to ice the game.

In the final quarter, Manasssas scored one field goal, the roof scraper which settled the whole thing. From the free throw line, Douglas had seven chances in that last period and made just one good. Just for the record, the Bulldogs hit just one out of four shots from the foul line in the previous period.

In their final quarter free throw shooting, the hosts made three out of four.

From the floor, the Bulldogs hit 13 times, two times more than Manassas.

Lee Mason and George Curry led the attack with 10 points apiece. For the winners, 6-4 Tyrone Lewis had 11, and 6-1 Harold Newman had 10. Six-four Carl Brooks had seven for Manassas but Ronald Moten had eight for Winchester and James Walker had seven.

At the half, Winchester's representatives were out in front 21-16 but dropped down to three points behind in the thir quarter. Manassas led 10-8 at the end of the first quarter.

Saturday, Dec. 13, 1958

WASHINGTON STARS

Douglas Hands Simms 53-52 Overtime Loss

In its second thriller in as many days, Douglas evened up its season record last night at Harrisonburg.

The Bulldogs, loser by a point to Manassas the night before, came through with a one-point win over Lucy Simms yesterday. And the Winchester boys had to do it in overtime, besides.

Webster Washington, the former junior varisty sharpshooter, was high man going into the overtime with 19 points. And his one free shot was all that scored during the special period. It was enough to break the 52-52 deadlock and give the Bulldogs a win over the only club which tripped them during last year's regular season games.

In the night's opener, the juniors of Douglas lost 29-26 after carrying a big lead to the dressing room at intermission.

The Bulldogs may have a 1-1 record, but the fans are going to start thinking of them as winners real soon. Manassas, the club which decisioned them this week in the opener, will bring its quint to Winchester on Tuesday to help Douglas open its home court season.

Game time for the JVs (also 1-1) is 7:30. The twinbill winds up the 1958 season for Douglas.

Last night, Coach Ed Barksdale was the coolest man in the gym. He looked like he had a 100-pint lead when the score was knotted. His confidence must have meant something to the players, because they pulled a switch in the overtime which led to the win.

As two of the Bulldogs broke their usual pattern, Washington was left in the clear with the basket dead ahead. He might have made a layup but was floored going in and had to take his chances from the free throw line.

The first shot was wide, but the second dropped through for the winning point. Lucy Simms didn't have time in the ramining 12 seconds to get off a good shot.

At halftime, the score was 30-18 with the visitors out in front. Then matters went sour for Douglas as Ted Temple sighted in on the Winchester basket.

The Bulldogs had put clamps on the big boy during the first half, holding him to five points, but the 1957 star came through later.

Before it was over, Temple connected with four third period goals and five fourth quarter goals to rack up a night-high 23 points. The Bulldogs didn't clobber him on his drives, so it didn't mean any more points at the free throw line than the one point in the opening quarter.

No one else scored in double figures for the hosts, but Douglas had Ronald Moten at the 18-point mark, just two points behind Washington.

"Web" came up with six goals and eight free shots, while Ronald made seven goals and four from the foul line. Each missed five free shots.

James Walker scored four goals and finished with eight points. Lee Mason was close so many times it hurt, but he had to settle for two shots from the floor and two more from the black stripe for his six point total. The only other point came from the hands of George Curry. He made his one try from the free throw line but missed eight times from the floor. Mason missed 12 times as did Moten. Washington missed just five times as his shooting average on field goals was over .500.

If the Douglas gym is as packed and noisy for Manassas as Simms' gym was last night, Tuesday is going to be quite a day here.

OVER MANASSAS

12-17-58

Douglas Revenges Lone Loss, 52-44

Only a last moment goal prevented Douglas from winning by exactly the number of points it was favored over Manassas last night.

Despite a loss on the Manassas court, the Bulldogs were picked to win by 10 last night on their own floor. The final count was 52-44 and left the hosts with a 2-1 record for the season.

All of the winning margin was on field goals as Ronald Moten, James Walker and Lee Mason put on a show for the packed Douglas gym. When Moten and Walker weren't grabbing the rebounds, Mason was stealing the ball.

Moten took a 10-count from the officials in the last quarter and George Curry (a steady player) and Walker were charged with four fouls apiece.

Even so, Douglas came out on the best end of that, as the officials (Harry Shendow and R.S. Robertson) sent Fred Beale, Harold Newman and Boyce Brooks of the visitors to the showers and had four personals charged against Carl Brooks and Frank Lewis.

There were 69 shots taken from the free throw line with each team making 20. Douglas missed 17 and the Manassas shooters missed 12.

Mason was the big man for the game on shooting field goals. His drive-in shots were on the spectacular side as he racked up five goals and then added eight shots from charity out of 13 attempts. His 18 points beat by two the mark of Brooks who had six goals and four for seven.

Feared Tyrone Lewis of Manasas had a clamp on his shooting until the final quarter when he came up with three goals to boost his total to 14 points. He had only one goal in the first half as Douglas acted like the law against him.

Walker contributed 14 points on five goals and four for seven, while Moten had four goals and two for five for 10 points. Webster Washington was off in his shooting or the Bulldogs would have had four men in double figures. He made one and three.

Kenneth Pye and Frank Lavender both turned in good performances for the hosts but were a little on the excited side because of their newness.

Coach Ed Barksdale had his boys in a sagging 2-1-2 defense to break up the attack of the tall visitors and it worked. At the half, the score was 29-17 with Douglas out in front. The Bulldogs allowed three goals in the first quarter and none in the second.

After that, the tension eased off some and Manassas came up with nine second half goals.

As far as 1958 is concerned, the Bulldogs are through. Next on the list is a home game against Page Jackson of Charles Town on January 8.

AGAINST ONE-MAN GANG

Douglas Nips Page Jackson With Balance

1-9-59

Douglas would have had a breeze against Page-Jackson of Chalres Town last night if it hadn't been for six-three Lawrence Bailey.

The hook-shot, pivot-man, layup artist and jump expert came through with 37 points to scare the Bulldogs almost out of a win.

At the end, it was Douglas out in front 63-56 but not before Bailey had pulled the West Virginia visitors into 43-40 situation singlehandly late in the third quarter. The Bulldogs had left the court at halftime on the heavy end of a 37-23 count and didn't appear to be in for too much trouble.

That was before the tall sharpshooter poured in six goals in that third quarter. It was his best period, but the worst was good for seven points. In the others he scored eight each.

Coach Ed Barksdale's lads had to use up all of the points of two of the top three shooters to cope with Bailey. Lee Mason had 15 points on six goals and three free throws, while Ronald Moten had 22 points on eight goals and six for 13 from the foul line, but no James Walker had 18 points and that was where the Bulldogs won.

He scored five goals and eight for 13 from the foul line, bu tno one came near Bailey's free throw mark. The big man made 13 shots good out of 16 attempts for a powerful average.

Officials Rodney Levi and Harry Shendow spotted 45 personals in the exciting game as three visitors stalked to the showers and one Bulldog.

Mason, as well as Bailey, Charles Branson and Clarence Branson, were booted in the final period, but none went out soon enough to change the picture.

Because of the loose play, Douglas made 23 points from the free throw line while missing 17 shots, and Page-Jackson made 19 points while missing eight chances. Douglas had a one goal edge from the floor, 20-19.

The West Virginians had a lad three inches taller than Bailey, Veni Johnson, and it was that height which cut off the man-for-man defense set up by Coach Barksdale at the start.

When he switched his team to a zone, the fast break worked better and the game broke open for the Bulldogs.

Next on the list for the Bulldogs is a January 16 date at Martinsburg against Ramer.

After that, Douglas goes to Johnson Williams on the 22nd for the second league game of the year. The first was again Simms at Harrisonburg. The Bulldogs play each twice, the only league games for the Group III basketballers.

45-23 AT INTERMISSION

Douglas Bulldogs Rip Ramer Quintet 86-64

1-17-59

A sizzling second quarter put the skids under Ramer High of Martinsburg last night as visiting Douglas went on to win 86-64.

Except for the first two periods and a few moments in the final two, the Bulldog starters rode the bench while Coach Ed Barksdale's subs took over.

After scoring 18 points in the opening quarter on the concentrated shooting of Ronald Moten and James Walker, Douglas roared through with a 27-point effort in the next period to put the game out of reach of their shorter opponents.

It could have been worse by a number of points, since Douglas was facing a team whose star (Vinn Burrell) fouled out in the third quarter but was allowed back in the game. After going out with his fifth personal, Burrell finished by shooting four goals in the last quarter and adding a free shot for a game total of 24 points.

That wasn't up to the effort of Douglas' Moten who finished with 22 points on 13 goals and two free shots. After sinking three first period goals while Walker was hitting four times, Moten soared to the ceiling in the next quarter with seven goals.

Shooting like that was enough for the Bulldogs to win their fourth against a lone loss.

Lee Mason, who was cold when the others were hot in the first half, came through with five goals in the third period to make a game total of 12 points. He was third for the Bulldogs behind Moten and Walker (19 points on seven and five.

Charles Mosby scored 19 points for the West Virginians on seven goals and five shots from the foul line, exactly what Walker did but he made all but one of his free shots and the Douglas star missed three times.

As a team effort, the Bulldogs came through on only 10 of 23 tries from the free throw line, but Ramer made 20 out of 33 shots.

It was in the field goal department where the Bulldogs shone. They outscored the hosts by 15 goals, 38-23, or by 30 points.

The rebounding was good by Douglas and the team average was 43.7 on field goal shooting. That's high enough to win any game, just as long as the ball goes into the air enough times.

Douglas has a Thursday game at Berryville against Johnson Williams, a league contest.

Individually, the Bulldogs have three men averaging in double figures: Moten with 17.2; Walker with 13.2; and Mason with 12.2.

George Curry, who hit for nine points last night, is averaging 5.6 a game; while Kenneth Pye, who hit seven points last night, is clicking along at a 4.0 rate.

Moten has 86 points; Mason has 61; Walker has 66; Pye has 12; and Curry has 28. Webster Washington, who was a starter, isn't on the squad anymore.

62-46 AT BERRYVILLE

Douglas Defeats Johnson Williams

1-23-59

Douglas upped its basketball record to 5-1 last night with a convincing 62-46 win over Johnson Williams at Berryville.

It was a good game all the way but the Bulldogs had the ability to pull further in front as the quarters passed.

Lee Mason and Ronald Moten clicked in the big ones as they made 41 points between them. It was a near-even split as Mason came out a point ahead on 10 goals and one free shot as compared to nine goals and two free shots by Moten.

Moten would have been high man for the night if he could have stepped to the foul line more often. He hit on two of his three tries, while Mason missed on five of his six.

For the host quint, dangerous Benjamin Paige was guarded like Fort Knox and held to seven points. Although the Douglas defense slipped up on Gary Mason (15 points) and George Whitmore (10 points), the rest of the Berryville shooters were held in check.

Both high men for Berryville were consistant, just as were Winchester's two top shooters.

From the beginning, Coach Barksdale had his lads in a 3-2 defense to stop Paige, but they switched to a 2-1-2 when the others penetrated too often. That put the blocks under the Johnson Williams stars, particularly in the first periods when the visitors went out further ahead.

After one period, it was a 12-10 game. By intermission, Douglas was ahead 29-20 and had increased the margin to 43-32 by the end of three quarters.

The only hot shooter on a percentage basis was Lee Mason who hit exactly two thirds of the 15 times he put the ball up in the air, not counting free shot.

Moten hit a fair 37.5 per cent, but that wasn't as good as the 43 per cent turned in by Johnson Williams' Gary Mason.

Last night's win for Coach Barksdale and is lads was really a teaser for tonight since powerful Lucy Simms is coming to town.

The Harrisonburg school will be showing off all-star player Theodore "Ted" Temple, the guy who hit for more than 30 points in the last meeting of the two schools.

That game went to Douglas by just a bare point.

An off night by any of the Winchester shooters could put the shoe on the other foot since Douglas counts on balance across the entire team to take up for such shooters as Temple.

Last night, Bushrod Harris turned in a good game with eight points in the first three quarters and would have been a double figure man with ease if he had gone all the way.

James Walker scored three goals and George Curry shot one. Douglas never made much from the foul line with only four points out of a total of 16 shots. Johnson Williams hit on six of the 17 shots given them, but Gary Mason made five of those.

Tonight's action was originally scheduled for a girls' prelim, but it has been changed to a 7:30 Junior Varsity battle.

Douglas Pulls Furious Rally To Win 58-53

1-28-59

Douglas tripped on overconfident Page - Jackson quint 58-53 at Charles Town last night with a terrific last quarter surge.

Although the Bulldogs of Winchester owned a previous win, they were strictly on the way out last night with a 10-point deficit going into the final period. As late as three and a half minutes before the game ended, Page - Jackson held on to a seven - point lead.

The key to the final score was pressure. After five minutes of action in the opening quarter, Coach Ed Barksdale switched his lads over to man-for-man and a full press. By the last quarter, the taller opposition was worn out and ready to flop.

A time ran out, the standing-room-only crowd watched in amazement as James Walker scored 10 points in exactly one minute and 20 seconds to send Winchester home with the big seventh win. Against that record, the Bulldogs show just two losses, one of which has already been avenged while the other is still in the future.

Walker finished with 22 points for the game, a notch ahead of high-scoring Lawrence Bailey of Charles Town. The West Virginian had pumped the Douglas baskets full of 37 points in the Winchester meeting and Walker was assigned to guard him. Until those closing few moments, Bailey had the best of the duel but he was held to one goal in the final quarter, as Walker came out ahead.

George Curry, who had been the big gun in the loss to Leesburg's Douglass the night before, was tied for low man among the five scorers with four points but turned in a beautiful passing and defensive game. He was tied with John Laws who came in on the final quarter with both of his goals.

Ronald Moten, who plastered the score sheet with 16 points for Douglas, sand three goals in the last period. Lee Mason had two of the 12 field goals by Douglas in the period and finished with 12 points.

Two men scored 10 points apiece for the losers, John Newman and Charles Branson, while their mates, Clarence Branson and Norvel Willis, made six each.

Douglas had to come from behind all the way last night. After the first quarter it was 11,6, then 24-22, then 39-34 and finally the big rally.

Next for Douglas is a home game against Ramer of Martinsburg tomorrow night. The twinbill will start at 7:30.

Although the Bulldogs are marching along in fine style with a 7-2 record, they are averaging just four points a game better than the opposition. Overall, the average for Douglas is 56.4 as compared to an even 52 for the nine opponents.

One thing for sure, the Bulldogs are winning the close ones.

Douglas Raps Simms 57-48

1-24-59

Douglas pulled the string on visiting Lucy Simms High early last night and coasted home with a big Group III win.

After leading by as much as 17 points in the final quarter, the Bulldogs relaxed with some bench action to finish out in front 57-48.

High man for the host quint was James Walker with a solid four-quarter attack for 19 points. He hit seven times from the floor and added five free shots out of eight tries.

Ronald Moten and Lee Mason gave the Bulldogs a three-way double-figure punch by scoring 12 and 13 points in that order. Moten had six goals to five for Mason, but the latter connected three times from the free throw line out of four shots. Moten missed each of his four tries, and he was charged with four personals early in the first quarter which meant laying off the pace.

Douglas owns a 6-1 record now, and seems a cinch to go far in the State Group III race. Coming up on Monday is a tough game, however, against non - league Douglas at Leesburg. On Tuesday, the Bulldogs go to Charles Gown for a return bout with Page Jackson.

Early in the season, Douglas lost to Manassas and then whipped that club in another bout later. Except for that and the one-point win over Lucy Simms in their last meeting, the Bulldogs have stomped with some ease.

The man who almost turned that one-pointer into a Douglas defeat was held down last night to 18 points. He is the big man in the Simms' attack plan, Theodore "Ted" Temple. Last night, Coach Ed Barksdale's lads put the skids under Temple by getting to his position first and breaking up the attack before it started.

At the end, Temple had nine goals which was more than anyone else, but he didn't get up to the 30 level where he usually rests. By moving into his position, the Bulldogs avoided fouling Temple. In the final totals, Temple had one free shot and he missed that.

Wilmer Byrd scored 11 points for the visitors but the other six scorers were able to get just three points apiece or less.

George Curry bagged nine pints to back up the three-way drive of the hosts, but Bushrod Harris fell flat from a scoring angle last night after a good game against Johnson Williams.

John Laws came on to score four points and wind up the winning total.

This could be Douglas' year. The Bulldogs are rapidly becoming a power in their own league and threaten to give non-league opponents in larger groups a fit as well. For a change, Coach Barksdale has some height to go with his fast breakers. He also has a balanced starting unit but lacks depth, particularly with the absence of Webster Washington.

From this corner, it looks like Douglas of Leesburg is the biggest threat on the rest of the schedule, and the Bulldogs have two dates with that school.

Douglass Defeats Douglas

1-27-59

If Douglas of Winchester had known what was in store for it at Douglass of Leesburg, the Bulldogs wouldn't have made the trip last night.

It was the first meeting this year of the two area basketball powers and made matters look gloomy for Winchester in the next meeting, here on February 10.

From a 19-8 first quarter until the final score of 72-42, Winchester was never in the game. Except for George Curry, it wouldn't have been as close as 30 points.

Earlier in the year, Coach Ed Barksdale had figured Curry to be one of his better players but the lad didn't produce. With the chips down and his mates in trouble, Curry pumped in 16 points last night with six field goals and four out of five from the foul line.

Douglass made its 72 points through balance. H. Randolph shot 21 points to carry most of the load; R. Berry scored 17 points; R. Evans made 15; and C. Roberts sank 14 points. No one else dented the scorebook for the winners, but that was enough.

It might not have been enough if Winchester's Douglas hadn't been so miserable from the floor. Fifty-two times the Bulldogs shot without the ball going through the hoop at either end of the court. It was acknowleged that the hosts had a decided home-court advantage, but no one thought the Winchester boys would have such a poor night.

According to Coach Barksdale, Douglas (with one s) will do better in the February game, probably win it in fact. Usually, the Winchester coach is correct in his predictions, but recovering from a 30-point loss will take some scoring changes.

There was one winner for Winchester last night as the Douglas junior varsity came through with a 20-19 score. James Brown scored nine of the Winchester points while Eugene Washington scored six. Jim Days scored 11 for losing Leesburg.

Tonight, the Bulldogs have a twinbill at Charles Town, JV and varsity. Page-Jackson was defeated here 63-38, so it'll be close.

Friday, January 30, 1959,

Douglas Blocks Ramer Shooters In 56-25 Spree

Douglas jumped its season record to 8-2 last night with an impressive 56-25 home court win over Ramer of Martinsburg.

Next for the fast-traveling Bulldogs will be a Wednesday game at Carver of Culpeper and then a Thursday game at home against Johnson Williams of Berryville.

After a slow start with just five games in more than a month, the Bulldogs have piled up five more games in the last seven days. They lost one game in each stretch, to Manassas and to Leesburg, but already own a revenge win over the former and have the Loudoun County quint to look forward to on Feb. 11.

Last night, the Bulldgs pressed the visitors so hard all the way that they couldn't breath. In the second period, for example, the West Virginaans didn't register a basket as they were held to two free shots.

After the first period it was 14-6 games and then it was 25-8 at the half.

Before the starters headed for the showers, the score had mounted to 43-14 in three periods.

James Burrell, who pumped in 16 points at Martinsburg when Ramer lost by an 86-62 margin, was held to one goal last night and two free shots. He was just like the other hard-pressed West Virginians — they couldn't find time or room to mount an attack against the speedy hosts.

From now on, according to Coach Ed Barksdale, the Bulldogs are going to press everyone, even if they go home dead tired and not showing many points. The difference is going to be in winning over Leesburg if the plan goes according to schedule.

That's not an easy assignment, since the Leesburg-Douglass won by 30 points, but the Bulldogs will have a surprise here for them.

Last night, the Bulldogs shot a handy 39.4 per cent from the floor as compared to 17 per cent, and they had a good record of 16-for-23 from the free throw line. That was far better than the 11-for-39 shot by the visiting quint from the foul line.

Nobody was real high for Douglas, but Ronald Moten (15), James Walker (14) and Lee Mason (13) gave the host club balance. George Curry pumped in seven points and John Laws had four.

High man for the losers was Charles Mosby with 10, while next high was Charlie Brown with five.

Douglas Plays Carver Tonight

2-4-59

Douglas goes into action tonight and tomorrow night with high hopes of notching a season record of 10 wins.

The Bulldogs have just dropped a couple of games so far, and they don't figure to lose in a home game to Johnson Williams tomorrow. Tonight's opponent is on the road, at Culpeper against Carver.

There is a game at Winchester against Carver in the 11th and one with Leesburg's Douglass on the 19th to close out the regular season.

LAST DITCH RALLY

Douglas Wins 9th As Carver Falters

2-5-59

Douglas pulled a doubleheader win last night at Carver as the JVs opened the evening with a 36-19 decision and then the varsity put on a furious finish to dump the Group I school 65-61.

Behind by 10 points going into the final period, the Bulldogs of Winchester came up with a 20-6 margin to win going away. It was the ninth decision for Douglas against two defeats. The JVs are 7-3.

It was balance last night which won for the Bulldogs. Three men hit in double figures and the other starters did a good job of the boards and on passing. One of them, George Curry, held up the slack in the last quarter when 16-pointer Lee Mason and 18-pointer James Walker fouled out.

Curry pumped in three goals in that big quarter and it proved to be the difference.

Ronald Moten, who finished with 18 points, scored two goals in the final period after four in the second and two in the third. He didn't get his first point in the book until the second period.

Mason and Walker shared the early load as Douglas fell a point behind in the opening quarter at 17-16. Then Moten took over in the next period but Douglas dropped to four points down going off the floor at intermission at 35-31.

Mason, Moten and Walker did a good job on field goals in the third quarter but the stars of the host quint were better.

Powhatan Nelson, who had racked up five first half goals, doubled his effort in that third period with five more baskets. Joe Bumbrey, who had six first half goals fell by the wayside in the second half and still finished with 19 points.

But Nelson wasn't through. He came up with two goals in the final period and finished the night with 30 point as Douglas couldn't find the combination to stop him. Maybe in the return game here on the 11th, Coach Ed Barksdlae will find a lad who can stop his prowess.

One mistake that was corrected early was Douglas' use of the zone defense. It lasted for just about one quarter. From then on, the Bulldogs were in a man-for-man with a full court press.

As a matter of fact, Douglas pressed every inch of the court, from out-of-bound throws to the first dribble up the hardwood.

As the coach said recently, "we are going all out the rest of the season, even if we drop in our tracks."

Beating a Group I school like Carver should be proof enough that the Bulldogs are in for a good season. There is just one stumbling block left before tournament time and that's Leesburg. Douglass is tough and owns a convincing 30-point win over Douglas of Winchester.

However, Winchester's Douglas has a way of evening up defeats like that and could well do it here on the 19th.

Last night, the Bulldogs came through with none points after 22 tries from the foul line, but Carver had 13 out of 20. In field goals, the visitors had a 28-24 advantage.

Tonight, the Bulldogs are hosts to Johnson Williams of Berryville in a 7:30 doubleheader. The girls make their debut for Winchester in that preliminary game.

GREAT BALANCE WINS

Douglas Overhauls Johnson Williams For 70-57 Victory

2-6-59

After a slow start, Douglas socked Johnson Williams of Berryville 70-57 here last night before a packed gym.

It was the 10th victory for the Bulldogs who have dropped two along the way. It was also the second straight over the Tigers of Clarke County and ended the regular season play against Group III league members.

Still ahead on the regular season schedule are games with Carver (on the 11th here) and Douglass of Leesburg (on the 19th here), and then it's tournament time.

In the opening moments last night, the Douglas fans were somewhat shocked to see their players on the short end of an 8-2 score. But it was 11-11 by the end of the first period and matters had taken a steady turn.

By intermission, it was 32-26 and then 51-34 after three quarters.

A two-man gang from Berryville, Benjamin Paige and Gary Mason, pumped the Douglas basket full of nine field goals in the final quarter to equal the output of the entire team for the whole game. Paige ended with nine goals and 9-for-10 from the foul line for a game-high 27 points.

Mason had all but three of his 12 points in that final period. Also for Johnson Williams, Keith Young came through with nine points on a steady performance, but the three big lads didn't have enough stuff to hold off the Bulldog balance.

Four of the starters were in double figures for Douglas. James Walker led the parade with five goals and 10-for-12 from the foul line for 20 points. A point behind was Lee Mason with six and 7-for-11. Then came George Curry with 12 points on two free shots and five goals. John Laws turned in one of his best games with 11 points on five goals and a free shot.

Just for a change, Ronald Moten was not in double figures. The scoring star of the Bulldogs piled up four reckless personals early in the second quarter and spent a good bit of time on the bench. He settled for four points, the same total as made by Kenneth Pye, the other Douglas scorer.

The recent stretch for the Bulldogs has been rugged. During 15 days, Douglas has played eight games, winning all but one of them and running the players heads off.

Douglas started an all-court press a few weeks back and it has just about put the other clubs out of business in the closing minutes of a game.

Usually by the fourth quarter, the subs get in for the rest of the way.

One of the most excited people in the gym last night was Douglas scorer Kenneth Cary. He had reason to be because he was marking up two streaks running right together. By midway of the fourth quarter, Paige and Walker had each made nine straight free shots. And then they ended the duel in a dead heat as each missed one. Walker had made one. Walker had made one out of two early in the game, so he finished with one more point, but it was remarkable to see the two sharpshooters hitting so many straight.

The Johnson Williams girls won the opener 40-20.

11-2 MARK FOR BULLDOGS

Douglas Wins Again

2-12-59

Douglas puts its steam-rolling quint on the floor last night and ground out a 32-point win over upset-minded Carver of Culpeper.

The lopsided 74-42 game was played at Douglas before a full house, but the crowd won't touch next week's attendance when the Bulldogs entertain Leesburg's Doublass in a Thursday scrap.

The two blots on the 11-2 record of the Bulldogs came at the hands of Douglass and Manassas. The with room to spare in a return match, but the Bulldogs haven't had a crack at Leesburg since losing there by 30 points. It was low ebb of the season for Douglas and the Bulldogs are a little more than anxious to wipe the slate clean.

Anyone who thinks that a team can't come back from a 30-point loss to a win in the next meeting, had better take a look at Douglas next Thursday. Coach Ed Barksdale and his lads say they can do it, and The Star agrees with them.

Last night, the Bulldogs put the clamps on high-scoring Powhatan Nelson, holding him to 11 points after watching him score 30 in the last meeting. Howard Nelson scored eight points and Joe Bumbrey pumped in 10, but that's where the visitors' attack fell flat.

As for Douglas, the Bulldogs started with 21 points in the first quarter while their all-court press was holding Carver to nine.

By the end of the second period, Doublas was up in front 43-21. It was 50-29 after three and the handwriting was glued on the wall.

Leading the bucket parade for the Bulldogs was Lee Mason with 21 points on nine field goals and 3-for-5 from the gift line. There were three other double figure scorers: Ronald Moten (16), James Walker (15) and John Laws (10). George Curry made seven points and Bushrod Harris brought up the rear guard with five points in some limited action.

As a matter of fact, Harris scored all of his points in the final period.

Moten was the red hot lad to start, pumping in four field goals and 4-for-4 from the foul line in the opening quarter. If he had continued at that pace, he would have scored 64 points in the game. But he didn't.

Laws came through in the second period with four goals, and then Mason and Harris sparked the final quarter. The third was strictly a team effort.

Mason scored two goals in each of the first three periods and added three in the fourth for a well-balanced attack. It was the sort of dependable performance which wins games.

Each team had 21 tries from the foul line, but Carver missed 11 times to seven misses for Douglas.

On field goal shooting, the Bulldogs held a massive 30-16 edge.

The main game was just part of an evening of entertainment.

The girls played the prelim game with the visitors running their season record to 9-0. Douglas' girls now own a 0-2 record, but the final score of 46-25 was quit an improvement. Incidentally, Coach Barksdale has the girls, too.

Between the basketball action, the Douglas gymnasts put on a tumbling exhibition for the crowd. They'll do it again for the Leesburg game and it's worth the price of admission.

Just to show that he doesn't play favorites, Coach Barksdale put 21 girls into the game against Carver. Frances Washington led the local scorers with 11 points, but she was far off the pace of visitor Marva Towles who racked up 13 goals and three free shots for 29 points.

The marvel of it all is how the gal hit from the floor when she missed nine times from the free throw line. The big scorer had three goals in every period but the fourth, when she made four.

Next Thursday's game is the final one on the regular schedule for Douglas before tournament time. There will be a 7:30 prelim.

Douglas Finishes Regular Season With 12-2 Record After Upsetting Leesburg

2-20-59

Douglas stepped to the winner's circle for the 12th time this season last night with a vital 57-53 decision over Leesburg's visiting Douglass.

To everyone else, it was probably quite an upset since Leesburg owned a 30-point win over the Bulldogs from back on January 21. But to Coach Ed Barksdale and his lads, it was just the way it was expected.

The coach predicted his boys would win it and they did by leading all the way (except for a 50-50 deadlock) on a fast break and a strong zone defense.

Figuring that his boys could clear the boards enough, Coach Barksdale set up the zone to stay. He was right, as James Walker took care of just about everything. He was far and away the night's star player, but there was a lot of help from Ronald Moten, Lee Mason, John Laws and George Curry.

Walker scored 17 points on seven goals and 3-for-6 from the free throw line. Curry had the same number of goals but made 2-for-3 to finish with 16 points. Back at the 14 level was Mason with six goals and 2-for-3.

But Mason was the big gun in that final period when the score was knotted by Leesburg. From the 50-50 point, Mason pumped in three of his four fourth period goals and Douglas finished the game with rush.

Herbert Randelph scored 24 points for the visitors with 11 goals and 2-for-3. He was backed up by Randolph Evans with five goals and 4-for-7 for 14 points, but it wasn't enough to stop the Douglas balance.

Moten pushed through three goals and had no free shot opportunities but his biggest value was off the boards with Walker.

The Bulldogs have two losses to go with their 12 wins and they are the undisputed District 3, Group III champions.

Just when the Bulldogs will enter the inter-district tournament is not certain, but it's between March 2 and 7 and will be at Douglas. The winner goes on to the state finals of Group III.

In the preliminary game, the Douglas girls lost to their Douglass opponents by four points, 19-15, but it was quite a battle considering the lack of experince for the locals.

Frances Washington scored seven points and Patricia Toliver made six for the losers.

At the end of three periods, the score was 14-13 in favor of the visitors, and then a two-point period killed the Winchester girls.

DOUGLAS GOES TO COVINGTON IN LAST STEP TO TOURNAMENT

3-3-59

Douglas is one step away from the State Group III Tournament, but it's a mighty long one. In fact, it's exactly 162 miles and four and a half hours.

Host for the single qualification game Thursday is Covington's Watson High, a team with a 10-6 record overall and a pint-sized gym.

That's the clue to the whole mess, the gym. Although Douglas won the District 3 championship with a 12-3 record and Watson was just runner-up in District 4 witha 10-6 mark, the hosts have a big edge in locality.

Douglas is used to its own roomy gym and the same may be said about Watson's players and their pill box.

Coach Ed Barksdale's lads have pulled off each improtant game this year and will be favored in this one, but not by much.

Game time Thursday is 8 o'clock with no preliminary.

The winner goes to Hampton Institute the following week for the state finals. Four teams in the state will make that trip with another single elimintion ahead of all of them. Douglas has come close to a state title, but this year could be the time when they do beter han that.

While Douglas is playing the runner-up of District 4; the champion of that league, Waynesboro, is meeting the District 3 runner-up, Harrisonburg. That game is to be played at Harrisonburg and gives Waynesboro the same problem as Douglas.

Instead of making it easier for the best team in each district to represent it this year, both 3 and 4 have arranged the schedule to make it more even.

There is supposed to be an advantage given for winning a regular season schedule, but these two districts figure it the other way. If Douglas and Waynesboro had runners-up, their chance of going to the State Tournament for Group III would have been better.

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Ronald Moten Has 39 Points In Douglas Win

Douglas was worried about the smallness of host Watson High's court last night in the Group III playoffs, but it wasn't necessary.

As it turned out, Ronald Moten scored more than the Covington team did by a 39-35 margin.

The rest of the Bulldogs ran the victory margin over the inter-district foes to 79-35.

Next Thursday morning, the Bulldogs are at Hampton for a game against the District 1 winner and a victory could lead to the state title.

If Moten plays in the remaining games like he did last night, the Winchester school will come through on top for the first time, making up for all the times Coach Ed Barksdale has had them near first place in the state.

From everywhere on the floor, Moten was sudden death to the basket last night. He hit 17 field goals and added five-out-of six tries from the free shot line.

Lee Mason helped with 11 points; James Walker had nine; John Laws and George Curry had six; and Kenneth Pye and Bushrod Harris had two points apiece.

All of that led to a first quarter margin of 12-8 and a halftime difference of 32-14. By the end of three quarters, the high-balling Bulldogs were ahead 49-16 and not many fans were sticking around.

If Covington wasn't finished by the end of two quarters, it sure was at the end of that two-point period. Watson did score 19 points in the final quarter, but it was against the bench, and partly against Moten who stayed around long enough to add five more goals.

For the record hunters, Moten's performance was second highest in school history. Another Douglas sharpshooter, John Carter, had 51 against Ramer of Martinsburg. 46

Mathew Menegee had 11 points for Watson but he made just one of eight tries from the foul line. Randy Jackson had eight points but he missed each of his four tries.

Douglas made 11-for-18 from the foul line and Watson made 3-for-14.

The Bulldogs had a game percentage from the floor of 44, but had to finish with over 50 per cent shooting in the second half to make up for a slow start.

Douglas Plays Buckley-Lages 8:30 Tonight

3-10-59

It's high school against independent tonight and you can just about take your choice.

Douglas is entertaining Buckley-Lages in an 8:30 p.m. game at the Bulldogs' gym with all net proceeds going toward the Boy Scouts.

In a preliminary Scout game, the Flying Eagles will tackle Shawnee Patrol. Starting time has been set for 7:30 in this one, and it's a toss-up, too.

The Bulldogs have the better record with 13 wins and just two losses, but Buckley-Lages has a 9-4 mark against stronger competition.

One thing in common for both clubs in Coach Ed Barksdale of the Bulldogs and player Ed Barksdale of Buckley-Lages.

Just for the record, Buckley would have hardly a loss on the sheet if it wasn't for Bell Clothes.

The two Douglas losses were avenged in short order by the Bulldogs, and right now the club is lining itself up for the state am.spn Hoipo tp mhstcmhiana championships at Hampton.

Tonight's action and a rest on Wednesday should have the boys in good shape for the big one on Thursday at far-off Hampton.

Douglas has three double figure shooters: Ronald Moten with 16 a game; and Mason and Walker with 14 each. Curry is just a shade behind with a 9.4 average while the fifth Douglas starter is Law with 7 points a game.

In 15 games, the Bulldogs have totalled 914 points against 789, a very obvious reason why there are so many more wins than losses on the list.

Buckley-Lages is loaded with shooters who average five or 10 years older than the Bulldogs, which may be a help in accuracy but not in a full court press situation. And that's just what the Constructioneers can expect.

Wednesday, March 11, 1959,

Douglas Trips Buckley-Lages

Douglas High turned the tables on Buckley-Lages last night in its own gym by spotting the Constructioneers a 13-9 lead and then whipping them 69-67.

It was a thriller all the way, but the stars were John Laws with his side shots and George Curry with his outside (20 footers) hits. Donnie Oates was high for Buckley (and the game) with 21 points.

Laws, a ninth grader at Douglas, finished with 16 points, on eight goals, while Curry had seven goals and two free shots for the same total.

Ronald Moten turned in 14 points for the winners with five goals and four gifts; and Lee Mason made the fourth double figure scorer with five goals and three free shots for 13 points. Right behind that group was James Walker with one goal and seven free shots for nine points.

Buckley couldn't quite cope with that balance despite Oates' 10 goals and one free shot. The new star had trouble with his free shots, missing three and making one.

Tommy Duff had 16 points, all from the floor on some beautiful pump shots. Dan Capozzoli had 14 points and Rudy Visnich had 12.

The man who could have won it for Buckley with ease was Coach Ed Barksdale of the Bulldogs. He plays for Buckley but had a poor night with just two points as his own charges wouldn't let him score.

Jim Robertson had two points to finish up the scoring for the night.

It was a good game, but Douglas pulled even in the third quarter and managed to get in the extra point in the final period.

Oates had a five goal fourth but it wasn't enough.

Tomorrow, the Bulldogs are in the state Group III Tourney at Hampton.

In last night's prelim, the Shawnee Patrol outscored Flying Eagles 31l4 on the 21 point performance of Clarence Curry.

The net proceeds went to the Scouts.

NINE GAMES IN TWO DAYS

Douglas Faces Storemont In Group III Semi-Finals

3-12-58

The All-Group (colored) Basketball Tournament has been packed into two days at Hampton.

There will be three semi-final games on Friday and three championships settled on Saturday.

Douglas of Winchester is in the opening game of the tourney as it meets St. Clare Walker of Storemont at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

Following that, Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg meets tournament-favorite Carter Woodson of Hopewell at 2:30.

That's all of the Group III schools. The Group II and then I games will be held the rest of the day.

Because of some strange arrangement, Simms and Douglas could meet in the finals and that's unheard of since both are in the same district.

By a new set-up this season, the runner-up club in a district was not to the first place club of the district it opposed in the quarter-final round. That meant that Douglas had to travel for its quarter-final game even though it won the title in this area.

Harrisonburg, which was a poor second to Douglas, entertained the District 4 winner and defeated it in a major upset. The gym has quite a bit to do with that sort of upset, but it should never have been scheduled that way. Ordinarily, the prize for winning a regular season title is to have some advantage in the playoffs.

Douglas managed to win its round, however, and is within two games of its first state title.

The first game isn't supposed to be as tough as the second, although St. Clare Walker is almost an unknown in the tournament. Douglas has the speed and balance to go all the way this year, but Coach Ed Barksdale knows just how good Carter Woodson is and is cautious about any prdictions.

On a neutral court, Douglas looks as good as any Group III school in the state so the Bulldogs could come home with the crown.

March 14, 1959,

Douglas Bounced By 77-55

Douglas ran head-on into one of best foul shooting teams in the state last night and was elminated from the Group III Tournament at Hampton.

It was Storemont's St. Clare Walker which turned the trick on the Winchester Bulldogs wih 26 completions out of 34 tries.

The final scort was 76-55.

In the other half of the semi-final round of the State Tourney, Lucy Simms was eliminated by Carter Woodson High of Hopewell by a 69-46 margin.

Douglas had it rough all the way as Coach Ed Barksdale's lads were charged with more personal fouls than at any other time this year.

Lee Mason, Ronald Moten and George Curry a bit the dust because of the officials' whistles, but they combined for 42 points before going to the showers.

With that attack out of action, John Laws and James Walker couldn't cope with the fast-staring St. Clare Walker five.

After a poor start (16-7 first quarter score) Douglas was getting back in the game when all three of its leading scorers were tossed. There was just a two-goal difference from the floor as Douglas scored 23 to 25.

But the Bulldogs were 17 points behind from the foul line with 9-for-13.

Mason finished with seven goals and 5-for-7 for 19 points. Moten had 11 points on four ad 3-for-4, while Curry had 12 points, all on goals.

Ninth-grader Laws had nine points with four goals and a free shot, while Walker was held to two goals and four points.

For the winners, smooth shooting Leon Losson came up with 10 goals and added 12-for-14 for a grand total of 32 points. He had the Bulldogs in trouble all night with his accuracy from the floor and from the foul line and was the difference in going on or not for Douglas.

Coach Barksdale's lads had a great season with just three losses and the first two of those were solidly avenged, but there isn't room in tournament play for a loss.

There is a good chance that the Bulldogs played themselves out of a win by knocking off powerful Buckley - Lages on Wednesday night, but we'll never know.

1959-1960

1959 Football

Douglas football team went undefeated with a 4-0 record, playing an abbreviated schedule. This team scored 136 points, only allowing seven in the opening game.

1959-1960 Basketball

The Bulldogs were sailing along with a 9-1 record before having to forfeit its regular season schedule. Douglas lost their first game in District play and finished with a 9-2 record.
Douglas had a player named on their roster when he was an eight grader. Even though the individual played on the JV's as an eight grader (his name being on the varsity roster) he was considered a varsity player for 5 seasons. (You are only allowed 4 years of eligibility.)

Team members: Lee Mason, Ronald Moten, George Curry, John Laws, Stanley Long, Bushrod Harris, Paul Walker, Kenneth Cary, Frank Lavender, Kenneth Pye, James Brown, Richard Johnson and Noah Laws.

*This stopped Douglas' run of District Championships at five in a row.

Leading scorer: Ronald Moten 9 games 148 points 16.44% Average

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Sept	25	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	54	7
Oct	24	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	34	0
	30	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	21	0
Nov	6	Jeanne Dean – Manassas, VA	27	0

POINTS: Douglas - 136
Opponents - 7



Douglas High School 1959 Bulldogs football team, unbeaten and untied. Front row, left to right: Michael Gilkerson, Richard L. Harris, John Alsberry, Stanley Long, Paul S. Walker; second row), left to right: Noah A. Laws, Robert Cooper, Herman Grimes, Lawrence E. Carter, Melvin Cooper, Ronald V. Moten, Frank Lavender; third row, left to right: Theodore Tolliver, Charles B. Harris, Herman Washington, Bushrod S. Harris, Joseph Jackson, Clarence Curry, Charles Corley, Edwin K. Barksdale (coach). (555-87)

Douglas Bulldogs Have Big Turnout

8 Lettermen Will Direct 1959 Eleven

9-22-59

By CHARLIE TAIT

Douglas Coach Ed Barksdale had a surprise in store for him at the first practice session this season when 30 players turned out for football.

After years of small squads, the Bulldogs now have their largest (by numbers) and the smallest sized schedule ever.

Only four games are on tap for the Winchester school, the first one being Friday against Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg at 2 p.m., at Douglas.

The Bulldogs go to Page Jackson of Charles Town on Oct. 2, and then there is a long wait until the October 30 game at Harrisonburg against the same Lucy Simm seleven. On Nov. 6, the Bulldogs have Homecoming against Manassas.

That's it unless Coach Barksdale can line up some other schools in the meantime.

At the beginning, the Bulldogs knew that eight lettermen would be back along with several other veterans and a couple of new lads. But 16 new boys showed for practice: Roger Walker, who will go in at guard or tackle anytime a starter "goofs"; Carter Alsberry; Peter Grimes, largest man on the squad at 181 but only an 8th grader; Paul Walker; Richard Harris, Joe Louis Gilkerson; Joseph Jackson, Russell Roberts; Larry Banks, Wayne King; Robert Cooper; George Dixon; Timothy Burns; Kenneth Pye; Charles Ball; and Clarence Curry.

The returning lettermen are: Ronald Moten, left end, 6-3½, 160, senior, slow but good pass receiver; Melvin Cooper, left tackle, 6-4, 175, senior, rough, dependable; Bushrod Harris, center, 5-10 152, senior, steady, fair blocker; Ted Tolliver, right guard, 5-8, 170, senior, rough, best on defense; Charles Corley, right tackle, 5-10, 170, senior, always ready and a real veteran; George Curry, quaterback, 5-0, 160, sophomore, should be ready this year in passing and running; Lee Mason, right halfback, 5-9, 155, senior, rough and ready and a hard runner; John Laws, fullback, 5-10, 164, sophomore, runs hard and fast.

Headed for first string duty with those fellows are: Herman Washington, left guard, 5-9, 155, freshman, Eugene Polston, right guard behind Tolliver, 5-9, 160, freshman; Noah Laws, right end, 5-11, 150, freshman; and Stanley Long or Lawrence Carter at the left half post. Long is 5-8, 145, while Carter is 5-11, 173. Both are juniors out for their first season on the varsity.

Also back from last year are some non-lettermen who hope to make the grade this year: Frank Lavender, senior end and line backer; and Charles Harris, sophomore end.

In the defensive line-up, Coach Barksdale is going with Cooper and Laws or Lavender at the ends; Tolliver and Walker or Grimes at the tackles; Polston or Washington at middle guard; Harris and Corley as outside linebackers; Washington or Lavender as middle linebacker; Mason and Moten or Laws at halfbacks; and Curry or Long at safety.

This could be the year that Douglas should have a 10-game schedule. There are many more reserves than had been counted on, and most of the starters will be gone next year as well as some of the key players behind them.

It will be a surprise when this team loses, and it will be a poor day when the Douglas field isn't jammed with fans.

MANY STARS

Douglas Pulverizes Harrisonburg 54-7

9-25-59

The toughest thing about the Douglas schedule is that it has only four games.

Winning looks like a breeze after yesterday's 54-7 romp over visiting Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg. Coach Ed Barksdale is suffering for opponents and may line up some yet for his versatile team.

After a 19-point first quarter, the Bulldogs went on to rack up period scores of 7, 7 and 21. The lone Harrisonburg tally came in the second as fullback Richard Maddex rolled 71 yards and added the extra point through the line.

It was an impressive play, but the Bulldogs had a lot more to offer their fans.

Noah Laws started the parade with a 60-yarder as quarterback George Curry hit the right end for the first of his four TD passes. Fullback John Laws broke through the line for the point.

Then John Laws smashed over from the one but the point failed as it became a 13-0 game.

The third TD as a short one, too, with halfback Lee Mason going in from the two. The point was no good on another run.

After Maddex scored his TD, Kenneth Cary took a pass from Curry and went 14 yeards for another tally. Curry ran for the point to make it a 26-7 game.

Then Mason stepped back into the scoring circle with a two-yard burst through the middle and added the point the same way.

Stanley Long broke out of his left half post from nine yards away to score the sixth Douglas TD and Cary passed to Ronald Moten for the point.

Just to make it convincing, Curry hit Noah Laws with a 40-yard TD pass and then hit Moten with a 17-yard job to finish the touchdowns. Mason ran over the first of those two points and John Laws the second.

For the afternoon, the Bulldogs had eight touchdowns and six extra points.

Melvin Cooper, who turned in a good offensive game at tackle and an outstanding performance at defensive end, booted the ball into the end zone on five of his kickoffs.

George Curry completed seven out of 11 shots; Charles Corley did well as offensive tackle and linebacker; Ted Tolliver had a good day at defensive tackle; Herman W.shington, a first-year man, was an outstanding guard both ays; Bushrod Harris was good on center and did a sizable game at linebacker; Frank Lavender finally found himself as linebacker; and Paul Walker, another first-year man, did well at defensive end.

The Bulldogs worked a great deal from the Split, but swung into a Belly series as well as a Flanker series.

Next Friday, the Bulldogs have a 1 o'clock date at Charles Town against Page Jackson.

The next Harrisonburg game has been changed until Oct. 23.

WINCHESTER EVENING STAR
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1959

Douglas Rallies Against Determined Simms 34-0

Bulldogs Held Scoreless In First Half of Battle

Idle since September 25, the Douglas Bulldogs showed it yesterday as they were held to 0-0 by host Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg for the first half.

That one half of play plus a sizzling halftime blast from Coach Ed Barksdale was all it took to get the Bulldogs rolling in the second half as they struck for five touchdowns and a 34-0 victory.

The TDs were by Noah Laws (on a 40-yard pass from quarterback George Curry), John Laws (on a one-yard plunge fro mhis fullback post), Lawrence Carter (on a 12-yard run fro mright halfback), Lee Mason (on a 23-yard run from the same RH position), and Ronld Moten (on an 8-yard pass play from Curry).

Douglas kicked off to open the Homecoming game for Harrisonburg and had the ball down to the host one-foot line on the third series of the game when a fumble broke up the drive.

After that, the first half was wet, sloppy affair with Simms showing great improvement after its 54-7 loss to the same club on opening day for the Bulldogs.

The closest Simms made it to the Bulldogs' end zone was the 10-yard line, but a fumble killed that effort.

Good defensive work by Melvin Cooper, Eugene Polston, Theodore Theodore Tolliver, Herman Washington, Charles Corley, George Curry and Frank Lvender prevented the host eleven from doing much in the way of an attack.

After that lecture fro m the coach, the Bulldogs were spitting fire when they came back on the field in the next two periods. A couple of rugged tackles had Simms kicking on first down, and that set up the pattern of play for the rest of the day as the hosts went on the defensive.

Polston recovered a fumble to set up the first TD, and Lavender intecepted to set up the next one.

It was such poor footing that Lawrence Carter ran over four points instead of trying to kick them. He missed on the fourth try, the only time that he failed to add the point.

The passing of Curry was red hot in this game, as the quarterback connected six times out of nine tries and two of them went the distance while at least one other set up a score. That was a pass to Mason which went for 20 yards.

The big win set up the Bulldogs for their Homcoming game on November 6 against Manassas and possibly another game or two if Coach Barksdale can line them up.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1959

Bulldogs Hosts to Leesburg Tomorrow

High-Scoring Douglas Unit Needs Action

Unbeaten and untied Douglas of Winchester has its hands full tomorrow afternoon in a late-scheduled game against Leesburg's Douglas.

When Leesburg found an open date for this week because of a cancellation, it offered to play the Bulldogs in Winchester and Coach Ed Barksdale couldn't grab the game quick enough.

His lads have had trouble all season with inactivity, and this Leesburg club has plenty of power to worry the Bulldogs. Right now, the visitors are sitting on top of a 4-1 record and that's not bad. The hosts have played just two games, but they won them by wide margins, 54-7 and 34-0.

Tomorrow afternoon's game is set for 3 p.m. with signs of clear but cold weather in the forecast. If the Bulldogs get past Leesburg, they have a fine chance of going unbeaten, particularly with a chance to play for awhile instead of being idle. When they were idle for a few weeks before the Simms game, the Bulldogs were held scoreless in the first half. Then they poured it on with 34 points in the next half.

Leading the Bulldogs in this one will be: Noah Laws, who has scored touchdowns on runs of 60 and 40 yeards and on a 40-yard pass; John Laws, who has scored twice from in close; Lee Mason, who has rambled for two near-in scores and one from 23 yards out; Ronald Moten who has scored on a 17-yard run and an 8-yard pass play; Lawrence Carter, who has scored on a 12-yard run and smacked across for four extra points; and George Curry, who has passed for two touchdowns and is always a threat that way as well as on the ground.

Homecoming for the Bulldogs is November 6 when Manassas supplies the opposition.

Leesburg by 21-0

Kenneth Cary Opens TD Parade on Curry's Pass

10-30-59

Unbeaten and untied Douglas took on strong Douglass of Leesburg here yesterday afternoon and proved that the record is no fluke.

The Bulldogs romped to a 21-0 decision over the visitors as right end Kenneth Cary opened the afternoon with an 18-yard pass completion in the end zone on a toss by quarterback George Curry. The play came in the second quarter.

From then on, Curry hit another right end, Noah Laws, with a 45-yard pass play in the third quarter for a TD; and left half Lawrence Carter went over from the 23 on a criss-cross ply in the final period.

Three extra points were all the work of Carter as he banged into the Leesburg line.

Leesburg entered the game with a 4-1 record and showed just how it got that way with a big, hard-charging line. But the Bulldogs and Coach Ed Barksdale figured that defense out by the second period and let the visitors run their heads off — in the wrong direction.

The old hesitation-play plan worked to perfection as the big defenders roared into the Douglas backfield and the secondary came up close. The Bulldogs went into double reverses, fake reverses, single wing, belly series and draw plays to fool the once-beaten visitors, and looked good in the process.

The first touchdown covered 30 yards, the second went 90 yards and the third was good for 75 yards.

Curry set up the first score when he intercepted on the Leesburg 30. Carter, Lee, Mason and John Laws moved the ball to the Leesburg 18 and a sweep put it on the 13 just before a penalty shoved the Bulldogs back to the 18 again.

Then Curry drifted back until Cary hit the end zone, found himself with clear room to the left and took the ball a step from the rear of paydirt territory.

On Noah Laws' TD, Melvin Cooper set up the score with a fake punt which was good for a 45-yard run. The pass from Curry to Laws was taken on the Leesburg 20 and into the end zone he went uncontested.

Another fake punt started the Bulldogs on the way to their third score. But this one came after a bad pass from center and was turned into a 40 yard spurt. It put the ball on the visitors' 35 and set up the bell series which worked great for the Bulldogs. Carter made a fine run from the criss-cross to tack on the final 23 yards.

Leesburg outweighted the hosts more than 20 pounds per man and its single wing alignment proved powerful outside the 25-yard line. But from there to the goal, the visitors found the going rugged with fast - charging Melvin Cooper, Theodore Tolliver, Herman Washington, Roger Walker, Eugene Polston and Charles Harris doing the stopping.

Leesburg reached the Douglas 18 once and the 20 on another occasion, but that was it.

So far this season, the Bulldog goal line has been crossed just once and that was on a recovered fumble in the 51-7 win over Lucy Simms on opening day. The Bulldogs have outscored their opposition 109 to 7, and that's quite remarkable for a team which plays only once in awhile. In fact, the Bulldogs have played only three games.

The Leesburg attack on the outside was stopped by George Curry and Charles Corley, linebackers, and Lee Mason, Ronald Moten and Stanley in the secondary.

Even with that defense, the Bulldogs were outgained on the ground and gave up 12 first downs while making 9. But the Bulldogs completed 5 of 10 passes while the visitors made two completions in 11 attempts.

Probably the final game on the Douglas schedule is Homecoming against Manassas on Nov. 6 at 2 p.m. That day will mark the first appearance of the Douglas band under the direction of Cuscan Jasper who organized the unit this year. It will be a big afternoon for the queen and her court as well as promising to be an even better crowd than yesterday's which was the best of the season.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1959

Douglas Homecoming Set For Final Game

Rugged, Fast Manassas Runs Into Bulldog Team

Manassas, a football power which has never been defeated by Douglas, will supply the opposition tomorrow afternoon in the Bulldog Homecoming.

The series between the schools has been a short one, but the visitors will be sporting two wins, 13-7 in 1957 and 18-0 in 1958, when they show up tomorrow at 2 p.m.

Overall this season, the visitors have won four, tied one, and lost the other. Last year, Manassas raced to nine straight wins and the Group II championship.

This year, it's the Bulldogs who are unbeaten, scoring 109 points to seven by their opponents.

The Bulldogs last opponent was once-beaten Douglass of Leesburg, and the locals marched to a 21-0 victory.

Heading the power-packed Bulldog backfield is quarterback George Curry, a sophomore who has passed for at least two touchdown in each of the three games won by Douglas.

In the line-up with Curry will be: Melvin Cooper, a senior kick-off and punt specialist end; Charles Corley, a senior who has built his reputation on reliability as a tackle; Lee Mason, a senior defensive halfback who also runs out of the right half slot; Ronald Moten, a senior left end and defensive fullback; Bushrod Harris, senior center; Theodore Tolliver, senior tackle and roughest man in the line; Frank Lavender, senior linebacker; Noah Laws, eighth grader and a real find as a pass catcher with at least one a game through his faking and speed; Lawrence Carter, first year junior who is hardest runner on squad since the days of James Prather ('52 - '54); John Laws, sophomore fullback who is good on the inside and outside and blocks well; Herman Washington, freshman guard who has developed fast; Roger Walker, first year sophomoe who has shown aggressive power at guard and tackle; Eugene Poltston, freshman center; and Kenneth Cary, most versatile player on team and one who can scout the opposition as well.

With that sort of background, Manassas will have trouble extending its record against the Bulldogs. And Douglas is not the kind of school to take losing a Homecoming affair lightly. Particularly when it would mean the end of an undefeated-untied season.

To start the afternoon off right, the Bulldogs have planned a parade at 1:30. It will move from the school south on Kent to the Elks Club, turn back on Kent to Kern and go east to Fremont, north to Liberty west to Kent and then back to Douglas.

The Homecoming Queen will be crowned at halftime.

BULLDOGS ROMP 27-0

1954

Douglas Ends Season By Whacking Manassas

11-6-59

Before the largest crowd in Douglas history, the Bulldogs ended their gridiron season yesterday afternoon with a sparkling 27-0 win over visiting Manassas.

During their brief but explosive schedule, the Bulldogs marched to 136 points while giving up 7, and that TD came when Douglas had the ball. So no one actually scored against the Bulldogs this year, either through the line or in the air.

When they beat Lucy Simms early in the season, the Bulldogs looked good but the opposition looked weak.

In the last two games, Douglas proved beyond the shadow of a doubt that it could look good against a top flight club.

Last week it was Leesburg which fell before the Douglas attack to the tune of 21-0 and that club boasted a 4-1 record. Yesterday, it was Manassas, a team which had four wins, a loss and a tie on its record and was considered the most powerful eleven of the season to face the Bulldogs.

Douglas took the initiative early in the game and carried it right on through to the end.

The Bulldogs pulled their four touchdowns from four different platterns.

In the first quarter, a 50-yard-pass-run fake double reverse from quarterback to left end Ronald Moton carried 50 yards to the Manassas 10. Two plays later, Lawrence Carter cracked over from his left half post for the TD, a 3-yarder from a cross-cross pattern. The try for point by running failed.

That complicated play began with Curry handing off to one halfback who handed to another one and he in turn gave it back to Curry who passed a bulls-eye to Moten. Great blocking and some clever ball-hiding set it up.

In the second period, Lee Mason scored first, but it was nullified by a 15-yard penalty. Then Noah Laws scored on an end's down, a play which covered 25 yards. Lee Mason went through the line for the point.

A scoreless third perioe was made up for by the Bulldogs with a pair of TDs in the final quarter.

Climaxing a 75-yard drive with a variety of dive plays, reverses, pitch outs and short flare in-and-out passes to Moten and Laws, the latter went in from nine yards out on a fullback off-tackle slant. Carter ran the point.

With two minutes left, Melvin Cooper, Theodore Tolliver, Herman Washington and Rober Walker gang-tackled Robert Minet before he could get a punt off and the Bulldogs' Kenneth Cary grabbed the loose ball and rolled to the Manassas 12.

With a fourth and two situation, Noah Laws scored on an end slant play to the left without a hand on him.

Carter ran across with the point to end the scoring for the game and the season.

The outstanding line play of Cooper, Tolliver, Washington, Eugene Polston, Walker and Cary held the visitors to three first downs. Manasses completed just 2 for 12, but halfback John Thornton intercepted two of Curry's passes. The latter completed 7 for 12.

In the secondary, Mason, Long, and John Laws prevented any successful long aerials.

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Douglas Basketball
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Dec	9	Criser – Front Royal, VA	50	26
	12	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	47	44
	18	Johnson Williams, Berryville, VA	88	47
Jan	9	Criser – Front Royal, VA	71	27
	13	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	67	61
	16	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	55	49
	30	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	45	52
Feb	3	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	54	47
	20	Ramer – Martinsburg, WV	54	39
	24	Teachers	62	44

POINTS: Douglas - 642
Opponents - 493

DISTRICT TOURNAMENT

Feb	29	Johnson Williams - Berryville, VA	49	57

Douglas forfeited season due to ineligible ruling.

DOUGLAS MEETS CRISER

Bulldogs Open Court Season Home Tonight

Douglas opens its basketball season tonight against Criser High of Front Royal with the JVs opening the evening at 7:30.

The varsity squad is composed of: Lee Mason, senior, 5-9, fast, good driver and side shooter; Ronald Moten, senior, 6-3, tops in all phases and definitely the key man; George Curry, sophomore, 5-9, playmaker and good outside shot and backboard man; John Laws, 5-10, sophomore, good inside man and side shooter; Stanley Long, surprise player of practice sessions, 5-8 and a junior.

With the exception of Long, the other four players were first team members last year most of the season. And that adds up to power with four veterans and a hustling newcomer who can shoot from out side or inside.

Those who will see action, also, are: Bushrod Harris, 5-9, senior, good playmaker, hustler and corner shooter; Richard Johnson, a 5-9 transfer freshman from Pittsburgh; Paul Walker, a 5-7 soph who is coming fast and is good from the side; Kenneth Cary, a six foot soph who has a variety of shots; Frank Lavender, a 6-2 senior who is pivot man and playmaker both.

The other varsity players are: James Brown, junior, good outside; Lawrence Carter, junior, good corner man; Kenneth Pye, soph, god inside and on jump shots; Noah Laws, freshman, 6-1, doing nicely for a growing youngster.

On the junior varsity are: Eugene Polston, Herman Washington Jerome Jackson, Louis Long, Charles Jackson, Ellzey Greene, Robert Jackson, Joseph Shields, Herman Jackson, Roger Walker, George Anthony, Johnny Alsberry, Robert Ball, Melvin Lett and Edward Allen.

With the loss of James Walker and not being able to use Lee Mason in league games, it's going to be hard to keep pace with the 18-2 record of 1957-58 and the 16-3 mark of last year.

But this squad has balance and plenty of younger players who will come on faster as the season progresses.

On Friday, Douglas is host to Simms of Harrisonburg in a twinbill for boys and girls beginning with the gals at 7:30.

On Thursday, Dec. 17, Johnson Williams of Berryville will be here for a varsity and girls twinbill at 7:30.

Douglas was awarded a tie for first place with Watson High of Covington (6-0) for the Group III football championship this year, according to an announcement by Coach Ed Barksdale this morning.

The unbeaten, untied and unthreatened Bulldogs had a short but great season and would have been likely uncontested champs but for the brevity of the schedule.

Douglas Overcomes Seven Point Margin

Bulldogs Slide Past Simms With 10 Pts. in 3½ Minutes

12-12-59

Seven points behind with three and a half minutes to go, Douglas pulled one out of the fire last night on its home court against Simms of Harrisonburg.

As time ran out, the Bulldogs were on the short end of a 42-35 count, but a full-court press and some hot shooting made it a 47-44 victory for Douglas.

Led by Ronald Moten with 22 points and John Laws with 13 the Bulldogs had to come from behind all the way after a 13-7 first period lead. Four of Moten's points came in the final 16 seconds on a jump shot from the side and a pair of free throws.

When Simms wanted to hold on to the ball and their seven points, Coach Ed Barksdale's lads put on the press which broke up the defense time after time. During the spree, Laws dumped in one bucket and George Curry had two.

Laws had a good night after the first quarter as he showed the way to a second quarter rally which kept the visitors' behind by one point at intermission, 22-23.

In the first period. it was all Moten as the 6-3 center pumped in four goals and added a shot from the free throw line. He had one basket in the second while Laws was taking over, and then Moten made two goals in each of the final periods. His main trouble was from the foul line where he had a record of 2-for-8 before coming through with the clutch points in the fourth period.

Simms had a good night, and it will be rugged to whip the Harrisonburg quint on its own court the next time the two meet. But, in the meantime, the Bulldogs are unbeaten.

Their next opponent, Johnson Williams of Berryville, was knocked from the undefeated last night by Manassas 51-43 in a real upset. The game was played at Berryville, too.

All of that adds up to trouble for Douglas when it plays host to Johnson Williams on Tuesday ina 7:30 twinbill. The first game is a girls' affair.

It was to have been a doubleheader last night, but the Harrisonburg girls didn't make the trip.

The crowd wasn't up to standard for the Douglas gym, but the officials won't have to worry about that next Tuesday because Johnson Williams will bring over a mob. As a matter of fact, the Bulldogs have new bleacher seats now to take care of what should be an overflow crowd.

The most trouble from Simms last night was by 6-2 John Guy who pumped in 20 points on seven goals and six shot from the free toss stripe. Moten had nine goals and Laws had six, while Donald Burgess had six for the visitors, but he finished with 12 points with never a chance to hit anything from the free shot line.

Douglas missed 12 free shots and the visitors missed 13 with Moten, Charles Long, Guy and Ashby Jackson getting 34 chances between them. Only Guy did better than .500 with 6-for-9. Long had an even 50 per cent, but h missedthe ones which counted the most in the final period when he had one-and-one situations threec times. Until the final quarter, Long was cruising along with 3-for-3.

After rolling over Criser of Front Royal 50-26 in its opener, Douglas now has shown that it can come from behind as well as staying ahead.

The difference last night could have been Kenneth Pey. The forward scored 21 points in a steady parade of baskets against Criser and then had to settle for one basket and two points, against Simms. If he had been on, the Bulldogs wouldn't have slipped behind. Moten racked up 15 points against Criser, so his 18½ average per game is tops for the club. Laws never registered against Criser, so his 13 points in the final three periods last night might have meant the breaking of an early season slump.

Bulldogs Jar Johnson Williams' Hopes 88-47

Rampaging Douglas Quint Entertains Packed House

12-18-59

By CHARLIE TAIT

Unbeaten Douglas High turned on all its jets last night with an 88-47 home court victory over Johnson Williams.

In its last outing, the Berryville quint had upended Manassas Regional and looked like it was headed for a good night against the Bulldogs of Douglas. But matters turned sour early as George Curry sparked the Bulldogs to a 27-14 first quarter margin.

Before he was through for the evening, Curry had racked up 29 points and could have gone to 40 with a little more time on the floor. As it was, Curry bagged 10 field goals and a free shot in the first half for 21 points. In the final period, he sank four out of five from the foul line to end matters with a flourish.

The Bulldogs shot an amazing 55 per cent from the floor, an all-time Douglas record, and three boys did most of the point-making.

Besides Curry's 29 points, John Laws had 21 points as he sank five of his nine goals in the last quarter; and Ronald Moten kept up a steady pace for 19 points on eight goals.

From the foul line, the Bulldogs weren't so hot with 12 out of 30 completions, but it didn't make any difference last night with a 55 per cent record otherwise. Johnson Williams sank 13-for-27 for a better free throw mark, but it was the shooting from the floor which killed off the visitors.

Douglas more than doubled the field goal total of the visitors as it sank 38 as compared to 17.

Big George Whitmore started with three goals for Johnson Williams and then fell off the pace until the final period when he added a couple more. He sank fine free shots out of 11 and finished with 15 points.

Second place honors went to Gary Mason with nine points, and Leslie Williams had eight.

Kenneth Pye didn't start his scoring until the final period for Coach Ed Barksdale, but then he made three quickies and finished in a 6-point tie with Richard Johnson.

The victory was the third in a row for Douglas and left them in prime shape for the next game, a January 8 date with Criser of Front Royal on the Bulldogs' court.

So far, Douglas is averaging 63 points a game, while holding the opposition to 38 per. That's a difference of 25 points and is where the superiority shows. It doesn't make much difference how many points a team gets, as long as it holds a wide margin over the other quint.

This season, Douglas has balance, height and speed, a nifty combination. For example, Criser which was defeated by the Bulldogs 50-26, found Pye the toughest man to face as he scored 21 points. On the other hand, Curry made only two points that night. Moten scored 15.

Then in the Simms game Moten scored 22 and Laws made 13. Pye deopped to two and Curry had four. If the Bulldogs can keep a couple or more hot hands in every game like they have so far, their defensive work will keep them out of troubl.

At the present rate, Douglas is having its finest athletic year. The football team was unbeaten and untied and now the cage squad is following the same pattern.

PLAY SIMMS FRIDAY

Douglas Bulldogs Trim Criser of Front Royal

12-9-59

Douglas scored a double victory last night as its JVs defeated Criser High's juniors 64-20 and then the varsity stepped out to a 50-26 win over the visitors.

Most impressive show of the night was the one put on by the juniors who scored their 64 points in six minute quarters. That's a terrific average per minute for boys who haven't had much shootint experience.

Noah Laws led the parade with 27 points, while James Brown had 12 and Herman Washington had 10.

In the varsity game, Kenneth Pye was Coach Ed Barksdale's big gun with a steady performance all during the game as he poured in 21 points. Ronald Moten, who scored 15 points, had a good start and finish but was weak in the middle part of the game.

Ervin Porter led the Front Royal visitors with 10 points.

In the first quarter, Douglas moved to a 12-8 lead as Pye sank three goals. But by halftime it was down to 18-16, even though Pye came through with two more buckets. Moten had the only other goal in the period.

In the third quarter, Pye sank three goals, George Curry had one and Richard Johnson had two as the Bulldogs went ahead 33-23.

Moten picked up the pace in the final period with three goals and his mates put the half court press into good advantage to keep the visitors down to three points. It wasn't until that quarter that the game became a runaway.

In the fourth, Douglas scored 17 points with five players sinking goals.

From the foul line, Douglas made 6-for-8, while Criser sank 6-for-19. Pye and Moten did all of the point making from the white line with three hits apiece and a miss each.

On Friday, the Bulldogs are hosts to Simms of Harrisonburg, a much tougher club. Then there is a battle royal coming up on the following Thursday against Johnson Williams of Berryville.

All game this year are at home for the Bulldogs.

The girls will play in the prelims the next two games, instead of the junior varsity.

The Evening Star

SPORTS

Bulldogs Hold Appreciation Night Friday for New Board

1-5-60

Douglas doesn't need a touchdown or basketball club when it comes to obtaining a valuable item for its gym.

Hearing that the school needed an electric scoreboard for basketball, a group of citizens promptly went to work a month ago and gathered in enough cash to install a $432.50 "scorer" at Douglas. It was one of those unsolicited campaigns which catch fire from the start, quickly raising $325.

As a result, the Bulldogs will be playing under their new board this Friday against visiting Crider of Front Royal. The first game will begin at 8 o'clock with the varsity. A halftime girls game will be held instead of the usual early time for the preliminary affair.

Henry Lowry and Bill Battaile started the ball rolling for the scoreboard and then Fred Glaize, Jr., Shenandoah Valley Bank, Commercial & Savings Bank, Farmers & Merchants Bank, A. J. Novick, J. T. Kremer, Schenck Foods and National Fruit jumped aboard and completed the deal.

As a result, the students of Douglas are holding "appreciation Exercises" for the individuals and firms who made the project possible.

Besides seeing the new board, the fans and guests will get a chance to see the undefeated Bulldogs in action against a team which has been growing stronger since their last meeting.

From their early season record, Coach Ed Barksdale's lads are headed for their best season, perhaps an unbeaten one if the heads don't swell at the wrong time.

And Douglas Has Runaway

1-9-60

By CHARLIE TAIT

At Douglas last night, it was a reasonably close game in the first quarter with the Bulldogs jumping to an 8-point lead. Then John Laws pumped in five goals to send the hosts to a 28-8 intermission lead.

In the third period, Ronald Moten turned on the steam with seven goals and then collected six more in the final stanza for a night-high 35-point production. It was the second highest score ever made by a Bulldog, the record being set against Martinsburg in 1956-57 when John Carter scored 47 points.

Laws finished with 14 points and George Curry had 10. None of Criser's team had double figures, but Dorsey Nickens made eight as did Gordon Baltimore.

Moten's great effort came on jump shots; tap-ins and outside shots plus 5-for-8 from the free throw line.

As a team, Douglas was strictly hot last night, dumping baskets at a 46 per cent clip and restraining the visitors all the way. The high quarter for Criser was the third when the Front Royal quint made 12 points.

It was "Appreication Night" at Douglas with the Bulldogs showing off their new scoreboard, a present from a number of citizens who took it upon themselves to sponsor the necessary peice of equipment.

Douglas goes to Berryville on Tuesday and Harrisonburg on Friday with high hopes of preserving their unbeaten status.

DOUGLAS WINS 67-61

Bulldogs Recover to Ruin Johnson-Williams' Upset

1-13-60

With four personals charged against their star, Ronald Moten, in the first half and a 12-point deficit in the third quarter, Douglas' Bulldogs performed like cnahmpions with a 67-61 win over host Johnson-Williams last night.

The Berryville lads had pointed for an upset and seemed on the way to it when Richard Johnson and Kenneth Pye spoiled their plans.

Moten, who scored 35 points in his last outing, was guarded beautifully by the J-W lads, but someone overlooked Johnson as he sneaked in with four goals in the first and fourth quarters and added three others for a game-high, 24-point production.

Pye came on in the final period with five goals to run his total to 17 for the night, but it was under the two aces of the Berryville quint, George Whitmore with 22 and Gary Mason with 19. Johnson-Williams had another double figure scorer in Leslie Williams with 12, while George Curry made 14 for the Bulldogs.

Moten ended with six points as he coulln't get going in this one, but Coach Ed Barksdale hasn't trained the Bulldogs to be a one-man team and it paid off well. Douglas took a first period lead of 16-9 and then were caught at 30-30 by intermission as the hosts pumped in 21 points in the second quarter.

After getting ahead by 12 in the third, Berryville finished the period on the good side of a 49-43 score, and that's when Pye and Johnson put on the pressure to keep the undefeated streak of the Bulldogs alive.

The very thing which could have won for Berryville turned out to be a weapon against the home club. With their big margin, Johnson-Williams' lads could have held onto the ball but tried to run up the total instead. Then, when Douglas went ahead, the Bulldogs put on the freeze and shot only when the defenses came out to get them and left the basket open.

On field goals, Douglas had a definite edge with 31 to 25, but the hosts had the better touch from the free throw line with 11-for-21 as compared to 5-for-16 for Douglas.

Douglas puts its unbeaten string on the line at Harrisonbrug Friday night with the odds in their favor but knowing that Lucy Simms can be tough on its own court.

AT CHARLES TOWN

Douglas Faces Toughest Opponent Away Tonight

2-19-60

If the Douglas Bulldogs can get past Page-Jackson at Charles Town tonight, the rest of their schedule should be almost a breather.

Unbeaten so far, the Bulldogs will be running up a club which has dropped one of eight, but the loss was to Washington's fourth rated school, Springarn.

As a matter of fact, Douglas has two unbeaten records on the line tonight, because its JV squad carries a spotless mark into the 7:30 opener.

The difference in this one could be spelled out in seven letters, D-E-F-E-N-S-E. Opponents of Douglas have been averaging 42.1 points per game and that's not enough to keep pace with such shooters as Ronald Moten, George Curry, John H. Laws, Kenneth Py and Richard Johnson.

Their averages for the season are all better than eight points per game with Moten leading the way at 17. Curry is second with a 10.2 average. The five starters have a game average of 50 points but have spent much time on the bench so far.

Behind them are: Charles Long, Bushrod Harris, Paul Walker, Noah Laws, Lee Mason and Lawrence Gaskins (not plahing now) who have added an extra 40 points during the season.

So far, Douglas has averaged 59.5 points a game or better than 17 a game average over the opposition. They have a string of seven.

The Bulldogs have hit 184 field goals while missing 246, and they have hit on 50 free tosses out of 106. The percentage from the foul line isn't up to what it should be, but the field goals average is enough to carry the load so far.

The same two clubs will be back at Douglas on Tuesday to settle the home-and-home series quickly.

Against the Bulldogs, Page-Jackson will be sending an entire starting squad of six-footers, a handicap which Coach Ed Barksdale believes his players will solve. But it still leaves him plenty of room to worry.

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SPORTS

5 STARTERS GO DISTANCE

Unbeaten Douglas Whips Simms After Slow Start

1-16-60

Douglas spotted host Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg a two-point margin in the first half last night and then roared to a 55-49 victory with a 56 per cent goal effort in the final two quarters.

For the night, the undefeated Bulldogs fired the ball in from the floor at a 43 per cent rate, but the final quarter was just about double that as Douglas was set to defend an 8-point lead. In that fourth period, the Bulldogs shot only sure-fire goals with every one of the starting five hitting at least one. John Laws hit twice and it was just enough to make him one of the four boys in the game who reached the 14-point level.

Richard Johnson did it for the Bulldogs with four goals in the third, while John Guy and Donald Burgess made the grade for Lucy Simms.

Coach Ed Barksdale went all the way for his sixth straight with his starting five: Johnson, Kenneth Pye, Ronald Moten, George Curry and Laws, and it paid off. Moten and Curry had eight points each and Pye had 11, Harrisonburg had a couple of six pointers in Wilbur Sampson and Ashby Jackson, but that wasn't enough to keep pace with the Bulldogs.

Both teams started slow and picked up steam during the second period. Each scored seven points in the first, but Lucy Simms made 18 in the second as compared to 16 for the visitors.

Then Douglas had a 19-point third while Simms made but nine.

In the second half, good rebounding by Moten led to Johnson's fastbreak buckets and pushed the Bulldogs out in front to stay. Pye made most of his points from the corners and drive-in shots, while Curry used a jump shot to best advantage in the second period when he scored three goals.

All of the Douglas starters have been over the 20-point-a-game mark this season, but they looked even better last night with less.

The Douglas Junior Varsity had a ball of it last night at the expense of their less able but more antagonistic opponents.

Best example of that was seen in the second quarter when Noah Laws had to be carried from the floor after being rammed into one of the walls. The unsportsmanlike effort was more costly to the host juniors than to Douglas, because Laws came back with two shots ollypen deup in the fourth with s straight. His nine tries from the floor in the second half produced eight goals.

But Richard Harris had a couple of points better for the game with 24 on 12 goals. Laws had 10 goals (none in the second) and two free shots.

The final score was 66-31.

On Thursday, Douglas is host to Bell Clothes of the City League with a doubleheader on tap. The girls varsity takes on the alumna girls in a 7:30 opener.

FOUL LINE HURTS

Page-Jackson Breaks Bulldogs' Win Streak

1-30-60

For the first time since school opened in September, a loss was tacked on the Douglas record for its boys' teams.

After the football team went unbeaten and untied, the varsity and junior varsity basketball squads picked up the tempo. When the junior varsity edged host Page - Jackson of Charles Town 26-25 last night in a real squeaker, the handwriting was on the wall.

In the varsity game, the West Virginians pulled away from a halftime deficit of 22-17 to whip the Bulldogs 52-45. The loss left the varsity with a 7-1 record and the JVs with 6-0.

The win gave Page-Jackson a season record of 8-1, but the same two schools square off against each other at Douglas next Tuesday. That's when Coach Ed Barksdale and his lads hope to even the account for the year, and the chances are excellent that the Bulldogs will do it.

The defeat was a costly one to an unbeaten record, but the Bulldogs have to chalk this one up to personal fouls Kenneth Pye, Ronald Moten and Lee Mason all left the game in the final period with the score about three points against them.

Mason's loss was the hardest to take, because it was his early shooting which put the Bulldogs ahead. The first nine points by the Virginians were all by Mason, and then Moten bagged one field goal to give the visitors an 11-10 edge in the opening period.

In the second period, Richard Johnson took up where Mason left off, pumping in four goals and giving the Bulldogs a five-point edge at intermission.

The huge crowd had a field day as Page-Jackson began to cut down the margin in the third period and finally went ahead by a point to open the fourth. That's when the whistle began to cut down the Bulldogs one-by-one.

Pye, who had only one foul charged against him earlier, was charged with four in the fourth. Moten went into the period with three against him as did Mason, and both left the floor at the most cruicial stage. Before it was over, the Bulldogs had been charged with 19 personals and the host quint with 10 less.

Luckily, the Charles Town team didn't do much more scoring from the free throw line than the Bulldogs, making 12-for-26 as compared to 7-for-11, but it was enough.

Because of their early scoring, Mason and Johnson finished the game with 13 points apiece, while Clarence Branson had 14 for the hosts and Phil Braxton had 12. That left the four top men in a dead heat, but the balance was better for the host club. Charles Branson outscored Moten 10-9; Bernard Bailey edged Pye 7-6; Eddie Idrick had five points for the hosts, while George Curry and Noah Laws had just two points apice, the same as Mark Brown and Richard Clark of the hosts.

Where the personals really hurt was in that final period as Douglas went to the free throw line five times (all by Moten) and the hosts stepped up there 16 times.

MASON, LAWS PACE BULLDOGS

Douglas Whips Page-Jackson 54-47 to Erase Only Defeat

2-3-60

A mob of Winchester fans turned out at Douglas last night to see if the Bulldogs could avenge their only defeat of the season, and they left happy.

After Friday's loss to Page-Jackson at Charles Town, the Bulldogs were still a slight favorite to pull last night's game out of the fire. They did it by a 54-47 margin, but Coach Ed Barksdale stated, afterwards that, "You couldn't find two more even clubs."

Lee Mason carried the banner for the hosts as he scored 16 points at the most critical times. He started the Bulldogs off right with a pair of first period goals, and then pumped in three goals in the final quarter to ward off a threat by Page-Jackson's star Clarence Branson.

Clarence and brother Charles Branson had a big night for the est Virginians with 20 and 13 points, but Noah Laws and Mason, there weren't enough points to stop the Branson brothers, but George Curry had seven points: John Lewis had seven; Richard Johnson had five; Ronald Moten had four; and Kenneth Pye had three, which was more than the rest of the Charles Town team could cope with.

Next high behind the Branson was Eddie Kidrick with five points.

The game was a battle in the first half as the intermission score of 21-21 indicates. Moten had three fouls charged against him in the first few moments of the opening quarter and rode the bench until the final period. That hurt the Bulldogs, but Noah and John Laws took care of the rebounding ably.

As a matter of fact, Douglas will be glad to see graduation coming up for the Bransons this June, because that pair has made the game rugged for years with their dribbling, passing and shooting. When the West Virginians defeated Douglas 52-45 on Friday (the same seven point margin), Charles Branson scored 10 points and Clarence made 14. Phillip Braxton had 12 points in that game on six goals, but he was held to one goal and one free shot last night by the Douglas defense.

The best way to describe last night's game was in Coach Barksdale's climax comment: "If these two teams play again, we would have to find room for 1,000 fans." And he wasn't exaggerating a bit.

As of last night, the Bulldogs are 8-1 for the season and Page-Jackson is 8-2. Besides their losses to each other, Charles Town has a narrow loss on its record to the number 4 team in Washington, D. C., Spingarm.

The Douglas JVs won their 7th straight last night, 34-16.

54-39 OVER RAMER

Bulldogs Win 10th

2-20-60

Douglas ran its season record to 10-1 last night with a home court win over Ramer of Martinsburg.

The West Virginians took a 54-39 licking thanks to the nimble hands of Bulldogs Ronald Moten who fired in 30 points. It was the first game for Moten since he won the Sportsmanship Trophy given by the Sports Department of The Evening Star. He proved that good sports are quite often fine athletes.

Moten started with a goal in the first quarter and three free shots. He warmed up in the next two periods with two goals each and three free shots each and then hit full steam in the final quarter with four goals and four free shots. He missed just four of his 16 tries from the foul line.

Second place honors went to Noah Laws with 10 points on a goal a period and a couple of free shots.

Against that pair, Ramer had 6-5 Thomas Bullet who sank four goals in less than thre speriods along with three free shots for 11 points. He fouled out in the third and the visitors sorely missed his height. High man for the West Virginians was Herbert Mosby with 17 points on four goals and 9-for-17.

Douglas led all the way with quarter scores of: 15-3, 25-17, 36-29 and then the 15-point spread at the end.

The Bulldogs hit 19 times from the floor as compared to 13, and they made 16-for-29 from the free line as compared to 12-for-24.

Considering the poor street conditions and high, cold wind, the crowd was fine.

Lee Mason, one of the principal reasons for the Bulldogs' success this season, is still out of action with a cut thumb, suffered in a shop accident. He may be out all of next week as well, and Douglas is scheduled to play tough Culpeper on Thursday, there. That leaves one more regular season game against Culpeper, but both are still in the question mark stage.

The Douglas, Johnson Williams and Criser teachers have two game set for Tuesday night.

The men will play the Douglas boys squad after a prelimary game between the women teachers and the girls team.

First game time has been set for 7:30 at Douglas.

Don't bet too heavily on the youngsters in the men-boys game, because they will be playing against such stars as their own coach, Ed Barksdale. And that member of the City League is no slouch when it comes to gathering points.

Teachers Split Doubleheader With Douglas

2-21-60

In one of the lowest - scoring games of any season around these parts, the women teachers of Criser, Johnson Williams and Douglas High Schools combined to edge the latter's varsity girls 14-13.

That game was the opener of last night's doubleheader benefit bill at Douglas with the proceeds going into the field athletic fund, and the crowd was worth the effort.

In the nightcap, the men teachers of the three schools didn't do as well as their fellow instructors and fell down 62-44 against the Douglas boys' squad.

In both games, one of the teachers was able to score exactly half of the team total. It paid off for Mary Malloy as her seven points led the teachers to a come-from-behind victory. Her two goals in the final quarter provided the winning margin.

One thing for sure, the gals didn't know what to do when they stepped to the free shot line. The girls missed 12 of their 13 shots and their teachers missed 10 of their 16. The girls outshot the women six field goals to four.

That game was played in six minutes quarters with the second game going eight minutes to a period.

Coach Ed Barksdale was the teacher who provided half of his team's 44 points, but he just barely edged two of the youngsters, Paul Walker with 21 points and James Brown with 20.

The men missed 11 of their 15 free shots, but the boys made 12-for 18 with Walker's 9-for-10 leading the parade.

Barksdale had 10 goals and 2-for-7, while Brown had nine goals and 2-for-5. Walker scored six goals.

Two of the men were able to score eight points apiece: Tommy Washington and Maxy Thornton.

The first half hurt the men as the boys led 31-15 after two periods. There was just too much speed and finesse from the youngsters for the die-hards to cope with in the early stages. By the time they found their way around the floor, it was too late for the teachers to catch the boys.

MOTEN INELIGIBLE

Douglas Defends Record Of 5 Tournament Titles

2-26-60

An incident at Douglas High this week couldn't be better explained than in the words of television's Chester A. Riley who says, "What a revolting development!"

Rolling along undefeated in District 3, Group III basketball with the tournament set for tomorrow, the Bulldogs suddenly found themselves minus their star player, 6-3 Ronald Moten.

Without Moten, Douglas has no big player on the regular starting five and the school has lost a 20-point shooter.

But that's not the worst of it. The Bulldogs were in first place in league competition with a 6-0 record, but they will enter the tourney as the fourth place club with an 0-6 mark.

Because of a technicality, Moten has been declared ineligible and all of the games played by the Bulldogs in the league have been forfeited. Back in the eighth grade, Moten's name was put on the roster just in case the team needed him.

He wasn't needed until the 10th grade, but his name had been on the list for four years before this season and that's the limit in Virginia. Since he was declared ineligible, all the wins in the loop went down the drain and each of the other clubs picked up a couple of gift wins.

Instead of Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg and Johnson Williams of Berryville being tied for second with 3-3 records, they are now in first place with 5-1 marks. Winless Criser is in third with a 2-4 mark.

Criser is host to the tournament, but all of the opponents haven't been determined, yet.

Last place Douglas will be defending its string of five consecutive district championships and is scheduled to play one of the two top teams as is Criser.

The tournament begins at 10 a.m. with a boys game. Then at 11:30, the girls of Criser and Simms tangle.

At 1 p.m., the second boys game will be held.

At 6:30, the winner of the girls game will play Johnson Williams.

The 8 p.m. game will be between the winners of the two boys games with the champion facing a second place club of another district. The second place club will tangle with the first place team in the same district as the teams move up the ladder in the state playoffs.

It's a strange role for the Bulldogs whose coach, Ed Barksdale, is used to championship teams only at the district level. But the technical ruling which cut Moten down was just one of those oversights which sometimes occur at the wrong time.

If Moten had played those four years, it would have been expected, but rules are made to control such situations and sometimes a boy and a whole school are hurt by them.

Douglas can thank its stars that it still has a chance at the district championship with a record of 0-6. In a larger league, the year would be over now.

JOHNSON-WILLIAMS IS RUNNER-UP

Harrisonburg Wins District 3 Crown

2-29-60

Johnson-Williams of Berryville ame home from the District 3 ournament on Saturday at Front oyal with the runner-up trophy. ut defending champion (five imes) Douglas had to settle for he Most Valuable Player award nd little else.

Minus their star shooter and re-ounder, Ronald Moten, the Bull-ogs were knocked off in the open-ng round 57-49 by Berryville.

Then Johnson Williams lost out n the title game to Simms of arrisonburg, first round winner ver Criser (the host club). Simms efeated Criser 41-35 and then urned back the Berryville lads 0-56.

That MVP award went to George Curry who kept the Bull-dogs in shotting range all the way, particularly in the final quarter when his mates lost their touch. He made 17 points in the final quarter, 11 of them from the foul line, and finished with 25 points.

George Whitmore of J-W be-came the tournament's high point winner with 23 points in the first game and 16 in the second for 39 and a trophy.

The Johnson Williams girls went all the way in their division with a final game 44-21 win over Simms. The Douglas girls do not travel and couldn't play in the tourney.

Without Moten, the Bulldogs had to play for the sure shots, be-cause John Williams was busy clearing the boards after every miss. Kenneth Pye scored 10 points for Douglas, while Leslie Williams made 15 for Johnson Wil-liams. Abner Carey came close to dougle figures for the winners as he hit four goals and one free shot.

The amazing part about the game was the number of times that Curry and Whitmore stepped to the free shot line. Each made the trip 17 times with Curry get-ting an 11-9 edge in completions, and it was the two-point spread there which made him high man since both lads had seven goals.

At the beginning, it was any-body's ball game with the first quarter knotted at 12-12 and Doug-las ahead 22-20 at intermission. A poor third period put the skids under Douglas as it went be-hind 34-29.

Each team picked up speed in the final period, but the winners outscored the Bulldogs 23-20 to salt away their first win of the year over Douglas.

One major difference in the teams was returning players. Dou-glas will get back its entire list which saw aetion on Saturday, while Johnson Williams graduates the entire starting line-up and doesn't have a JV squad of any strength.

Harrisonburg looks like the best bet for next year, too, with height and speed. But right now, Simms is looking toward the state title, even though it's a rough road as Douglas can tell the Harrisonburg boys. The Bulldogs have made the trip five times and know that oth-er Group III districts are tough.

1960 Football

Douglas ran its winning streak to nine in a row before losing to mighty Cardoza of Washington, DC. They finished with three more wins and completed the season with a 7-1 record. They scored 326 points while allowing only 55, (31 points was to Cardoza in their defeat).

1960-1961 Basketball

The Douglas season ended with an 8-6 record, but they started a new streak as District 3 Champions. They advanced to the State Tournament only to lose to Brookvale White Stone.

Team members: Noah Laws, John Laws, Paul Walker, Kenneth Pye, Lawrence Gaskins, George Curry, Charles "Pete" Washington, Richard Harris and Eugene Poston.

Leading scorer: Noah Laws 13 games 260 points 20.0% average

1960
Douglas Football
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Sept	23	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	25	6
	30	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	74	0
Oct	8	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	53	0
	22	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	33	0
	27	Cardoza – Washington, DC	2	31
Nov	5	Jeanne Dean – Manassas, VA	25	0
	12	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	40	6
	21	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	74	12

POINTS: Douglas - 326
Opponents - 55

Excellent Bulldog Backfield Could Have Line Problems

Douglas Opens Season Against Charles Town

Douglas High is heading into Friday afternoon's football opener against Page Jackson of Charles Town minus eight linemen and two backs, but full of enthusiasm.

Scheduled for the Douglas gridiron at 2 o'clock, this game ought to be an eye-opener for area fans who are used to seeing the wide spread attack sported by both clubs in the past.

Although the Douglas line is strictly inexperienced, the backfield is loaded with talent and averages 174 pounds a man. As compared to that, the line scales 165-a-man which puts the big guns behind the little ones.

USUALLY, the line softens up the opgosition for the backs to romp over, but this year, it looks like the line will be counted on to make small holes with the backs making them larger as they go through.

Last year's squad won five games and neitter tied nor lost any, yielding just one TD all season on the way to a perfect record.

About the brightest combination for Coach Ed Barksdale is his quarterback George Curry to end Noah Laws passing attack. The junior and freshman combined for six touchdowns last year with young Laws on the receiving end.

HALFBACK JOHN LAWS is a junior with a flashy future. He runs hard, can move fast and hits the scales at 173. Fullback Lawrence Carter, a line-busting fullback, is a 188-pound senior, who has the experience and the weight to make the line more confident.

Stanley Long, a 150-pound scatback, is a junior, while Clarence Curry is a veteran who can give Carter or the other backs a rest as he puts his 182 pounds to work in the backfield.

With these five backs and end laws, the Bulldogs present a problem for any defense, but it's on the other side of the ledge where Coach Barksdale is worried. What will his line do against the rest of the backs on the schedule?

SINCE CURRY passed for 10 touchdowns last year, there si little doubt that the Bulldogs will go to the air often, particularly if the line fails to live up to past Douglas lines.

In the last eight years, Douglas has had the best of lines while compiling a record of 45 wins, 11 losses and four ties. The boys may have it again, but this is the year to produce, because such schools as Cardoza of Washington are back on the schedule. The former District champions play here on Oct. 28.

Following Friday's game, the Bulldogs entertain Johnson Wil - liams of Berryville in that school's first try at the fall sport. Game time is 2 p.m. (same time for all home games) on Sept. 30.

ON OCTOBER 7, the Bulldogs go to Harrisonburg against Simms, a team which the locals defeated 47 7 last season. Back home on the 21st, the Bulldogs meet Douglass of Leesburg, and that team was trimmed 21-0 last year.

October 28 has been set for the big battle against Cardoza and then the Bulldogs hit the road on Nov. 4 for Jeanne Dean of Manassas, an 8 o'clock game against a new opponent.

Simms is in Winchester on the 11th for Homecoming, and the last chance for fans to see the Bulldogs in action on their own field. In the second game against Simms last year, the Harrisonburg club kept the score down to 38-0.

ON THE 19th, Douglas finishes the season at Johnson Williams.

Along with th eformer stars already listed, Coach Barksdale has four tackles: Herman Grimes, Joseph Jackson, Robert Long, Calvin Avery (all freshmen) and sophomore Kenneth Willis. The biggest of the bunch is Grimes, a 6-4, 195-pounder who hasn't reached his peak quite yet and his size may not be a factor until next season. Jackson is a 170-pounder; Avery is 186; Willis is 172; and Long is 165.

At the guard posts are: Herman Washington, a junior who looks real fine; Eugene Polston, a good soph; and Charles Finley, another soph who is coming along well.

RICHARD HARRIS, a 185-pound junior, takes over at center with Larry Banks, freshman, and Eugene Washington, freshman, doing nicely behind him.

The ends are good on defense. Charles Harris, a junior, and Thomas Ransom, a freshman, will be working with Paul Walker, another junior.

Only lettermen listed in the line are: Harris, Herman Washington, and Polston.

ALSO OUT FOR LINE positions are: Louis Long, soph; Roger Walker, a junior letterman who happens to be playing the one position where two lettermen are already located, (guard); and Johnny Alsberry, a soph who is coming along very well, also a guard.

Subbing in the backfield will be Leroy Woodson, a coming sophomore.

Coach Barksdale has an assitant this season, former Douglas great who went on to graduate from Adams State Teachers College in Colorado. Ford, who could be listed as Douglas' best end without much argument, went on to become an all-conference end in college and co-captain of the 1958 squad.

Under the direction of Tuscan Jasper, the Douglas Band will be present for halftime ceremonies at each home game as well as making several of the trips with the Bulldogs. Director Jasper has produced a really fine band, and it will add a lot to the spirit of the team.

25-6 IN OPENER

Douglas Rips Page-Jackson

9-24-60

Douglas romped to a 25-6 win over Page Jackson of Charles Town yesterday afternoon on the Bulldogs' gridiron before 300 fans who found a lot to cheer about on opening day.

Although Page Jackson held on tight in the fist half with only a six-point deficit, the fat was in the fire as the aerials of George Curry began to click for added TDs.

In the early moments of the first quarter, the fans found how deadly a passing combination could be as quarterback Curry spotted halfback John Laws on the visitors' 40 with a nifty bomb. The run afterwards carried to the Page Jackson 10 for a 60-yard pass play.

ON THE NEXT PLAY, a double reverse from a tight "T" with Laws carrying went for the distance, but a run for the point failed.

Both teams spent the rest of the half in the vicinity of midfield.

In the second half, Douglas received and failed to gain before punting to the visitors' 2 20 yard line.

Two first downs by Page Jackson put the ball on the Douglas 335, but the drive stalled at the 28. Douglas was thrown back to the 25 on the first play and then attempted a down-and-out pass play.

Six-five Jackson Jones put his 210 pounds of tackle into the way of the passer on the next play and a short toss was intercepted by Charlie Branson who ran to the Douglas 15-yard line.

THREE PLAYS LATER, Branson broke through from the left half slot to score the tieing TD. A pass for the lead point failed to connect.

Stanley Long ran the kickoff from the Douglas 25 to his own 45 to set the gears in motion for a solid drive.

Clarence Curry picked up the first first down of the drive after a slashing drive up the middle by Lawrence Carter went for eight yards.

Then Curry connected with Laws for another first down at the visitors' 20. It was a fancy, one-handed catch which had the spectators gasping and added the spark which kept the drive alive.

ON THIRD DOWN from the 17, Curry scored on an end sweep behind a host of blockers, which cleared the way like Father Time. Heading the pack were Herman Washington and Eugene Polston. The run for the point was short, but Douglas was out in front 12-6 and that's the way the third quarter ended.

In the fourth, both sides had to punt sevral times before safety man George Curry intercepted a Joe Wright pass and romped 60 yards for the TD which broke up the game. It was still 18-6 when another run for a point failed.

WITH FIVE MINUTES remaining, Curry connected with Laws on an end criss-cross pattern for a 50-yard scoring play. Laws stiff-armed one defender and outran two others on the way into the clear. This time, Clarence Curry bucked over from right halfback for the extra point and made the final score 225-6.

Robert Long, Charles Harris and Richard Harris turned in good offensive games, while Herman Washington, Roger Walker, Joe Jackson, Paul Walker and Polston looked great on defense.

SENIOR FULLBACK Lawrence Carter had a hand in the new look for the Bulldogs with a design for their helmets, while Tuscan Jasper's band added a lot to the occasion with a halftime overture.

Next week, the Bulldogs play Johnson Williams of Berryville, but it doesn't shape up much on paper because it's the first time that Berryville has tried football. A surprise could be in store, but it's not likely on the strength of Douglas' opener.

Douglas Bulldogs Romp To Fabulous 74-0 Win

Second String Unit Goes Over for Eight of 11 TDs

9-30-60

Johnson-Williams of Berryville received its football baptism under a heavy barrage from the Douglas guns yesterday afternoon on the Winchester school's gridiron and was nearly decapitated to the tune of 74-0.

After half of the first quarter was over, Coach Ed Barksdale lerked his first string lineup for the afternoon with a 20-0 lead. From then on, the second string took over with spotty substitutions from the other unit.

Big, rough and inexperienced would just about sum up Johnson-Williams for this season as the Berryville school heads into its first football wars.

FROM NOW ON, yesterday's visitors will just have to make better use of their size, although quarterback Lawrence Wilson, tackle Sam Moten and left end Keith Young did a right fair job.

It wasn't a track meet, but the Bulldogs weren't to be stopped in this game as they made it two straight for the season and head for a strenuous week of practice before rugged Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg. Host Simms is unbeaten, too, after two.

COACH BARKSDALE, who didn't care to broadcast the yardage racked up by his charges, felt that, "Johnson-Williams will be tough to handle in the next year or so with their size and natural ability."

Most of it didn't have a chance for exposure yesterday as John Laws opened the scoring with a 35 yeard run shortly after Stanley Long set it up with a 65-yard jaunt. That long run came on the opening play from scrimmage after a booming punt by Young put the Bulldogs way back.

SHORTLY AFTER THAT, Gene Polston took a guard around play into the end zone from the 10; and then Lawrence Carter stepped out of his fullback post for a 30-yarder.

Carter kicked the first two placements, missed the third and came back later to boot one more.

After the third TD, Noah Laws quarterbacked the second string to what looked like the makings of a really great team in years to come.

LAWS HANDED OFF to second string fullback Clarence Curry for a 10-yarder in the first quarter to make the period score 26-0.

IN THE SECOND quarter, Laws kept for a 20-yarder and then added a 10-yarder on a fake pass and run. That was all of the scoring in the first half with the teams leaving the field at 40-0.

In the third period, John Laws went in from 10 yeards out but it was done behind the second string line. Then George Curry intercepted a pass and scored from 65 yards away to wind up the third quarter.

IN THE FINAL PERIOD, right end Charles Walker took a 10-yard scoring pass from Laws; and left end Charles Harris grabbed one for a 20-yard score. The last TD came on left halfback Leroy Woodson's 10-yard run as the boy from Woodstock showed plenty of promise.

Douglas is loaded with eighth, ninth and 10th graders, and all of them saw action in this game. One of those is third string fullback Joe Jackson who is a 160-pound eighth grader. He blasted in for a point after touchdown and helped the defense and offense very well.

HERMAN GRIMES turned in a good game at tackle, both offensively and defensively as did Johnny Alsberry at end. Clarence Curry looked sharp at offensive fullback and linebacker, while Robert Cooper turned in a good two-way game.

About the only thing which didn't work was a touchdown pass by Curry. The lad hadn't missed for two seasons, but he did complete two of the three he tried. Laws made five of his seven attempts.

Yesterday's game was a Group III, District 3 game for the Bulldogs and the Berryville lads, as will be the game next Friday.

The main trouble now is trying to get the Bulldogs back to earth in time for Lucy Simms to avoid an unfortunate defeat.

SURPRISING 53-0 ROUT

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Douglas Jolts Simms From Unbeaten Ranks

10-8-60

Douglas scored on the third play from scrimmage yesterday afternoon at Harrisonburg and then watched the Lucy Simms defenses fall apart under a steady bombardment as the Bulldogs swept to a 53-0 victory.

Billed as the number one contender for the district title, Simms failed in every respect against the sharply coached Bulldog eleven from Winchester. By the end of a quarter, Coach Ed Barksdale's players were in front 14-0 and then jumped the margin to 27-0 at intermission.

THE THIRD QUARTER score was 40-0 as Douglas went on to score two touchdowns in every period.

On defense, the Bulldogs were rugged, holding the Harrisonburg club to three first downs while rolling up 12 themselves. If the yardage which went for the TDs had counted on first downs, the Bulldogs would have made too many to count.

The win was the third straight for the unbeaten and untied Bulldogs, while the loss was the first in three games for Simms.

DOUGLAS ELECTED to receive after winning the toss, and the fans were hardly seated before the Bulldogs had marched on two plays to the Simms' 10. From there, halfback John Laws skirted end for the opening TD. Quarterback George Curry passed to end Noah Laws for 50 yards to set up the play. The placement was low and the Bulldogs were ahead 6:0.

Halfback Stanley Long scored on an 18-yard sweep after a handoff from flanker John Laws on the next series, and this time Noah Laws took a pass for the extra point to make it 13-0.

THE THIRD TD came early in the second quarter when Noah Laws took a down-and-out pass from Curry for 20 yards with fullback Lawrence Carter cracking the line for the extra point.

After the kickoff left Simms' deep in its own territory, a bad snap from center rolled around in the end zone where end Paul Walker promptly fell on it for the fourth TD. Stanley Long plunged over for the point. The Douglas linemen had been hitting so hard up to the point of the bad pass from center, that the backfield looked like it didn't want any part of the rolling pigskin.

IN THE THIRD quarter, John Laws scored the fifth TD, going in from 25 yards out on the belly series option. It was a brilliant bit of stop-and-go downfield running by Laws and his second TD. Clarence Curry scored the PAT on a slant to the right and it was turning faster and faster into a rout.

Guard Eugene Polston scored the sixth Touchdown in his second of the season when he took a guard-around hand off behind the blockers to go the remaining 12 yards of another long drive. The point after failed.

IN THE FOURTH quarter, Lawrence Carter bulldozed over from the eight with three tacklers riding his back, and he added the point in just about the same manner.

The final touchdown came with three minutes left in the game as Stanley Long intercepted a Donald Willis pass on the Douglas 40 and went all the way for a 60-yard score. He was untouched over the distance with a convoy of blockers stretched out behind him. There was no point and the scoring was over.

OUTSTANDING ON offense were: Tackle Robert Long, guards Polston, Joe Jackson and Charles Finley and all of the backfield.

On defense it was: ends Paul Walker and Johnny Alsberry, guards Polston, Long and Clarence Curry, linebackers Lawrence Carter, Stanley Long, John Laws, and safety man Noah Laws and George Curry.

The Bulldogs completed 6-for-9 with Curry passing, while Simms made only 33-for-10.

To add a little sparkle to the luster around the spotless Douglas record, the Bulldogs have one of the finest assistants around for Coach Barksdale in former end Michael Ford, coach of the line.

Bulldogs Shatter Leesburg As Five Players Score TD

Douglas Runs Season Total To Amazing 185 Against 13

By CHARLIE TAIT

Douglas High of Winchester spent the first quarter spotting Leesburg's weaknesses yesterday afternoon and then lowered the boom on the visitors to the tune of 33-7.

The win was the fourth in a row for Winchester's Douglas and the third loss in five tries for Leesburg's Douglas. Despite the two previous defeats, Leesburg was rated a strong club, one which figured to give the Bulldog a better test than any earlier foe.

AS IT TURNEND OUT, Coach Ed Barksdale's lads knew all the right moves and rolled to a 33-0 margin before a 90-yard run by Richard Berry, the right end, broke the shutout. That run came on a picked up fumble with the Bulldogs threatening to score their sixth touchdown of the afternoon.

It gave the combined opponents 13 points for the season as compared to 185 points rolled up by Douglas.

In a way, it was a fair exchange because the visitors had a punt blocked and it was picked up and carried into the end zone by linebacker Lawrence Carter from the 20-yard stripe. The hard-charging Douglas linemen didn't block the ball personally, they just shoved the punter's blockers back into his path and the ball thudded in the opposite direction.

Carter was one of five Bulldogs who broke across the final stripe.

THE FIRST TOUCHDOWN came early in the second quarter when quarterback George Curry found a weakness in the Leesburg secondary and called for a pass to end Noah Laws. The tall wingman took a flare shot 10 yards down and out and went the remaining 40 yards at a gallop for the touchdown. A line smash for the point failed.

A spectacular interception by Noah Laws set up the quarter's third score with John Laws going in from the 13-yard line on a sweep around end. On the pass interception, Noah Laws ran 30 yards before being knocked out of bounds. The point after touchdown was not good.

IN THE THIRD quarter, George Curry hit left end Paul Walker with a five-yarder in the end zone on fourth down. It was the end of a 65-yard drive which had all the earmarks of stalling out on the five before Curry unloaded his little surprise to the left side. The visitors had the other side blanketed because of the Noah Laws threat. The running of Carter, Stanley Long and John Laws carried the ball most of the way on that sustained drive.

With five minutes left in the game, Douglas capitalized on a poor punt which carried only to the line of scrimmage after bouncing back and put the ball on the visitors' 35. On the second play from scrimmage, guard Eugene Polston swung out of the line for his pet play and it was good for all of the remaining distance to the goal. The guard-around play looked like a good gain to the 15-yard line when Polston appeared to be driven out of bounds by two charging secondary men, but the shifty runner hit them head-on, letting them bounce out while he kept going toward the goal. It was a fine bit of running, probably the best single piece of work in the game because he was hemmed in at the sideline and still broke away.

DOUGLAS HAD ITS last drive well underway when the fumble put Douglas into the scoring column.

Outstanding in the line for the Bulldogs were: Paul Walker, Clarence Curry, Robert Long, Eugene Polston, Joseph Jackson, Johnny Alsberry and Richard Harris.

To pick out any single backfield player would be impossible, it was just a case of knowing their plays and putting up the score on the board. Defensively, the secondary and the line contained Leesburg whenever it was necessary, although the visitors picked up 13 first downs and led in that department. Whenever a drive moved well, the Bulldogs came through before the penetration put them in trouble. Only the fumble allowed a score.

Next Friday, the Bulldogs entertain Cardoza of Washington, the real threat of the year.

10-25-1960

DOUGLAS FACES the weight problem, too, in its game against Cardoza tomorrow at 2 o'clock.

The over-sized District of Columbia team has a student enrollment of 1,700 from which to draw as compared to less than 150 at Douglas.

If the Bulldgs can pull a win or even a tie out of the fire, they will do down in history as one of those giant killers of fable tellers.

On the record (going by score only), the Bulldogs are far better with a 4-0 mark as compared to 2-3 by Cardoza and with 185 points scored against 13 for their combined opoonents. But off the record, Cardoza losses have been against much larger schools than any Douglas has faced, and only a touchdown has been the difference in the worst defeat.

A LOOK AT THE scouting reports from Douglas Coach Ed Barksdale reads like this: "The defensive team is led by its tackles, both going over 225 pounds a man, and the middle guard, a boy who is seven eights as big as Big Daddy Liscomb of The Colts. The other linemen are average in size but fierce tacklers and fast.

"The offensive team is led by quarterback John Lindsey, cool and keen ball-handler. Due to his clever faking, the running attack is always a threat. His passing isn't up to par with the Bulldog's George Curry. The halfbacks, Donald Surrett and Leon Greene, are explosive scatbacks who can run the 100 in less than 10 seconds. The fullback tips the scales at 180 and is just as fast as the halfbacks. Both ends are 6-2 and the guards average 170."

DESPITE THAT kind of club, Douglas isn't going to be much of an underdog because the boys are in top shape and getting tougher each day in preparation for this game. Long scrimmages and 18 minute calisthenic drills are putting the boys in trim form, a "must" to fight off a club with the reserves of Cardoza.

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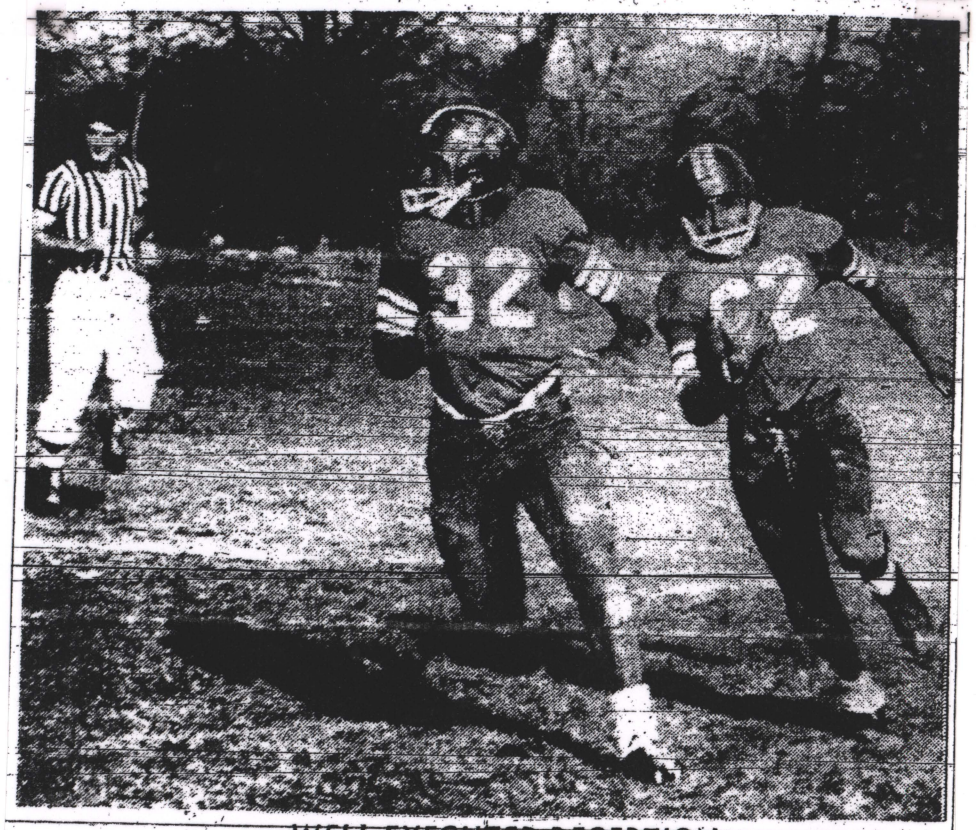

WELL EXECUTED DECEPTION

This is one of the trick plays in Coach Ed Barksdale's pocket which Cardoza will have to spot early in Friday's game here if the strong Washington, D. C. eleven is to hold the Douglas Bulldogs scoreless. Douglas has the highest scoring backfield in its history, plus a stout defense. Those two factors are shown in the 185 points made by Douglas as compared to the 13 scored by the opposition. On this play, fullback Lawrence Carter opens a path for guard Eugene Polston on a 35-yard sweep around left end which went all the way. Official Chug White is right on the guard-around play to make sure it's legal. It was and the Bulldogs rolled over Leesburg 33-7 last Saturday. But Cardoza has 1,700 students enrolled in high school as compared to the 121 at Douglas, and that means a powerful reserve strength for Douglas to combat. (Star Photo)

Cardoza Manpower Wrecks Douglas in 2nd Half 31-2

Bulldogs Carry 2-0 Lead to Intermission

10-29-60

Douglas and Cardoza butted heads in a defensive duel for one half of their game here yesterday afternoon with the Bulldogs showing a 2-0 advantage at intermission.

Then the dream bubble broke with a roar and Cardoza crashed its way to a 31-2 decision, ending Douglas' hopes of an unbeaten and untied season in a most decisive manner.

Backed by two reserve teams, the Washington visitors handled the Bulldogs like butter in the second half as manpower turned the tide. It was a case of too many guns or too many minutes, but still added up to a lost cause.

DOUGLAS HAD the advantage of a punting duel in the first half with George Curry backing the visitors closer to their goal as time was running out in the opening quarter. The final punt in that period carried to the Cardoza five where it was taken by Robert Green who went backward toward his own goall in an effort to get away from end Noah Laws. By the time Laws downed the fleet halfback, he was in the end zone and the Bulldogs had two points.

That was it for the first half, although Douglas nearly pulled a touchdown play on a weird interception. A long pass toward the Douglas goal was batted away from the intended receiver by Stanley Long and it stayed in the air long enough for John Laws to grab it and set sail. He was nailed at the Douglas 37 before he could turn the last corner.

DURING THOSE early quarters Cardoza showed some brilliant pass formations but couldn't keep the ball in the receiver's hands. The passes, howeevr set up the second half when Douglas looked for more of the same and found a tougher running attack than any seen by the Bulldogs this season.

Douglas took the kickoff to open the second half but lost the ball on second down at their own 45 on a fumble.

Fullback Maurice Pope broke over the middle and would have gone all the way if he hadn't been tripped at the 21. He carried for seven yards on the next play and then Jerome Gladden took a pitchout to the seven-yard line for a first and goal.

AN OFFSIDE PENALTY put the ball back on the 12, but Pope cruised around his right end to the one-foot line and then cracked the middle for the opening touchdown of the game. The placement attempt by the quarterback missed as did four other tries, but one of those was turned into a point after TD when the loose ball was recovered and passed into the end zone.

The second touchdown came shortly before the thid period ended as Green went 12 yards down the right side to cap a 60-yard drive.

On the opening play of the final period, Green went in from the four-yard line to end a 61-yard march. Most of the yardage along the way was made by Gladden as he went 40 yards around his left end.

BEHIND 19-2, Douglas couldn't move the ball and Curry punted to midfield. From the center stripe, Gladden went 50 yards on the opening play for the score, dropping off what tacklers were left after his blocker sopened up a path wide enough for a storm to slip through.

Douglas gave up the ball on a fourth down gamble at midfield and Cardoza turned Gladden loose for a 49-yard gallop on the opening play again. It was exactly the same play with almost the exact results.

Before the score could go any higher time ran out on the Bulldogs.

THE SECOND HALF showed the true picture of what a team with strong reserves can do as the blockers had Douglas tacklers spread out falt on every running play.

Douglas threatened in the opening half but not in the second.

To put it truthfully, the Bulldogs were over - matched, even though it didn't show up until the second half.

Next week, Douglas goes to Jeanne Dean with much better prospects.

WINCHESTER EVENING STAR
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Douglas Socks Manassas 25-0

Bulldogs Hoist Scoring Total to 212 Against 44

11-5-60

Undiscouraged by last week's first loss of the season against Cardoza of Washington, Douglas bounced back under the lights last night to trounce host Jeanne Dean of Manassas 25-0.

The first try under the lights was tricky for the Bulldogs as they settled for a scoreless first quarter, but that was the end of the problem for Coach Ed Barksdale's lads.

BY THE TIME the final gun sounded, the Bulldogs had run their season total to 212 points against 44 for the opposition and have two teams left on the schedule which contributed 127 of those points earlier in the season. It's not likely that Douglas will romp over Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg next Friday or Johnson Williams of Berryville the following week the way it did in the first meetings, but there is little chance of an upset in either case.

Next Friday afternoon is Homecoming for the Bulldogs.

LAST NIGHT'S GAME was a thriller for the large crowd of Douglas fans who followed their lads to Manassas. They were curious to see how well the Bulldogs would do after losing to the big Washington school and no one was disappointed who made the trip.

In the second quarter, the running of John Laws and the defensive play of Lawrence Carter, Stanley Long and Charles Harris opened the gates to a pair of touchdowns.

The first came on the end of a 78-yard sustained drive with quarterback George Curry hitting end Noah Laws for an eight-yard scoring pass. Carter rambled over the line for the point.

FOLLOWING A POOR PUNT by quarterback George Daugherty, the Douglas gridders scored their second series of downs as they moved from their own 40. John Laws skirted left end on a Statue of Liberty play for a 47-yard jaunt behind excellent blocking by Lawrence Carter, Clarence Curry, Eugene Polston and Robert Long. The point was missed, but the Bulldogs were able to carry a 13-0 lead into intermission.

In the third period, two touchdowns were called back for a variety of penalties, but the Bulldogs still managed to put one up on the scoreboard to stay. Quarterback Curry scored from the 14-yard line on a fake-run option play around the end. The point went astray again.

THE FINAL BULLDOG TD was scored by end Charles Harris who fell on a blocked punt in the end zone. Linebacker Carter did the initial damage and Harris racked up the score.

The strange part about that blocked punt was that the series had started on the Manassas 38 with the hosts going for a first down. Instead of making any yardage, the fierce Douglas defense shoved the Jeanne Dean players back to the 12 and forced a punting situation.

Lawrence Carter turned in the best defensive game of his career as he inspired the Winchester boys to hold the hosts outside the Douglas 30 all night. Over at the other linebacker post, John Carter turned in a fine job, too.

GEORGE CURRY and Noah Laws allowed only two completions in the secondary out of 14 attempts with the hosts gaining only scant yardage on either. Where the hosts made most of their yardage was on penalties with Douglas being racked up by the officials for 170 yards and Jeanne Dean being stuck with 30.

The only real threat by Jeanne Dean was stopped on a sensational tackle by Stanley Long who played a roving back. He broke up several completions as well.

Next week, Douglas will be getting a look at the "New" Lucy Simms, a team which has added four big players to the roster and boasts an unbeaten record aside from the defeat inflicted by Douglas at Harrisonburg.

Game time is 2 p.m., complete with parade, queen and the rest.

LAWS BROTHERS STAR

12 Nov 60

Bulldogs Roll Over Harrisonburg 40-6

Douglas continued along its merry way yesterday afternoon, celebrating Homecoming by trouncing Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg 40-6.

For the Bulldogs, the season total mounted to 252 points against just 50 by the combined opposition and put the District 3, Group 3 crown squarely atop Douglas High.

The Bulldogs have a game at Johnson - Williams of Berryville next Friday, but the outcome is already decided. It may be unlucky to predict a win of such proportions, but Douglas has already defeated next week's host 74-0, and matters can't change that much.

YESTERDAY'S STARS were the Laws brothers, John and Noah. John rolled for three touchdowns starting with the first one after which he added the point. That TD went eight yards following a blocked punt by Lawrence Carter and two first downs. After Carter blocked the kick, Robert Long fell on it at the Lucy Simms 30.

With Clarence Curry, Lawrence Carter and John Laws advancing the ball on a varied attack, John went in from the 12 on a version of the "Cardoza Special" (an inside reverse to the left). A pass from George Curry to Noah Laws added the point, and the play was so clear that the end could have gone another 97 yards if necessary.

AFTER A SIMMS' attack bogged down in the second period at the Douglas 40, the Bulldogs scored their third TD on a pass from George Curry to Noah Laws over a 226-yard route. It was a sensational catch with Laws doing a juggling act for at least 10 yards after the ball had been slightly deflected by a defender. There wasn't any question about Laws going into the end zone, just a matter of whether he would ever pull in the ball or not. A run for the point missed fire.

After the following kickoff, Simms punted again, and it was blocked by Eugene Polston this time as the clever guard broke through the middle. Right tackle Charles Grimes recovered on the Simms 45.

AFTER A SERIES of plays, Fullback Clarence Curry scored on a center dive from the five-yard line, almost unmolested. The point missed and it was 26-0 with time running out in the period. The Bulldogs had two drives stopped inside the enemy 20, but Lucy Simms had a long run of about 75 yards taken away by a penalty and that one went the distance.

In the third period, Noah Laws took the kickoff from his own 20 all the way to the Harrisonburg 45 before being run out of bounds. With Curry hitting Noah Laws, Charles Harris and then John Laws with short passes, the Bulldogs moved down to the Simms' four-yard line. From there, John Laws went in for his third TD on a tackle slant play to the left and Clarence Curry scored the point to make it 33-0.

AN ALERT GUARD, Howard Carey, picked up a fumble after an attempted fullback pass and rambled 32 yards for the lone Simms' score after the defenses stiffened by the visitors.

The fourth blocked punt of the afternoon was turned into the final touchdown for the hosts as defensive tackle Robert Newman fell on the ball after end Paul Walker got in its way. Noah Laws received a pass from Curry for the point to end the scoring at 40-6.

The Douglas ground attack yesterday was as varied as it has been during any game this season, and Simms couldn't cope with it much of the game. An improve umbrella defense held Sims to a pair of first downs as the Bulldog line wasn't in a kidding mood. They knew that Harrisonburg was going to be tougher than in the first meeting this season and responded extremely well.

IN LOOKING at the two schools in action, it was evident that the Bulldogs had a more solid backing from the coaching department. In fact, it is easy to see why Coach Ed Barksdale is the top mentor, in his league and probably better than the coaches from such larger schools as Cardoza. One thing extra to his credit is the ability to pick up a play used by another school and perfec it.

BULLDOGS ROMP 74-12

21 Nov 60

Douglas Closes Season With 7-1

Lightning struck twice this season as far as Johnson-Williams of Berryville is concerned because Douglas' Bulldogs romped to 74 points each time the teams met.

The first meeting was a shutout for the Berryville club when it played at Douglas, but Johnson-Williams did better on its own field Saturday by scoring 12 points. In fact, the score was 28-12 at intermission.

AFTER THAT, Coach Ed Barksdale's lads never quit putting on the pressure even with the bench cleared.

End Noah Laws led the parade with four touchdowns: a 32-yard pass play from quarterback George Curry; a 68-yarder from Curry; a 10-yarder from the same quarterback; and a 22-yard job with the same combination. Laws had two points after touchdown for a grand total of 26 points for the day.

Noah Laws was the outstanding scorer for the season with at least one trip behind the goal line everytime the Bulldogs played. He had to settle for two points in the Cardoza loss but still managed to cross the goal, even if it was only to tackle a runner.

ALON GWITH 26 other players, 15-year-old Laws will be back next season for what could be an all-the-way year for the Bulldogs who lose only fullback Lawrence Carter by graduation. Carter will be missed, but no coach should mind losing one good player with all of his other talent returning. The Bulldogs rolled to a 7-1 margin this year with the wins being big ones. In fact, Douglas outscored the opposition 326 to 61, and that's more than impressive.

In Saturday's game, John Laws scored twice with runs of 38 and 44 yards; George Curry scored two times on a 21 yard run and a 58-yard runback after an interception; guard Eugene Polston went in on a 39-yard guard-around play; Stanley Long scored once from 11 yards out; and Clarence Curry picked up a 30-yard TD.

The other PATs were made by: Lawrence Carter, Leroy Woodson, Charles Finley and Charles Harris (on a pass from Curry).

JOHNSON-WILLIAMS scored on a 39-yard pass interception by Lawrence Wilson; and on a 58-yard pass from Wilson to Willie Brown. The Tigers' two scores came in the second quarter when they out-scored the visitors 12-7. Other than that, the Bulldogs pumped in the points at a rate of 21 in the first period, 26 in the third and 20 in the final.

Douglas probably would have settled for a much smaller margin, but the pair of Johnson - Williams TDs evidently didn't sit too well with the Bulldogs who came out after intermission with blood in their eyes.

THE RUNNING of Clarence Curry, John Laws, Lawrence Carter, Stanley Long, George Curry, Leroy Woodson and Charles Finley was just too much for JW to overcome. And the successful passing of Curry to Laws and left end Charles Harris crossed up the Tigers whenever they were set for running plays. Curry completed 12 out of 16 attempts, and the good line play of Paul Walker, Robert Newman, Robert Long, Pete Grimes, Charles Harris, Eugene Polston, Joseph Jackson, Robert Cooper, Russell Roberts, Kenneth Willlis, Andrew Roberts and Larry Banks held the Tigers to three first downs as well as giving the passer plenty of protection.

Both schools bands performed during halftime for an added show, and it wasn't all bad for the host eleven which is in its first year of organized football. The Tigers didn't fare badly against the rest of their opponents, but Douglas was the powerhouse in the league.

And they will be next year if the same boys return to school.



DOUGLAS HOMECOMING QUEEN AND COURT

Maxine Blowe (second from left) was crowned Homecoming Queen by last year's queen, Dorothy Scott, during intermission ceremonies at Friday's game between the Bulldogs and Lucy Simm High of Harrisonburg. It was a big afternoon for the 1960 queen, her court and the fans as the Bulldogs rolled over the visitors 40-6. The back row of the court, left to right, shows: Betty Jo Payne and Sharon Williams, while Captain George Curry holds the trophy which went with the crown. (Star Photo)

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Douglas Basketball
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Dec	7	Luther Jackson, Farifax, VA	45	44
	10	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	76	36
	17	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	45	47
Jan	7	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	63	36
	???	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	56	70
	14	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	37	43
	18	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	87	35
Feb	3	Criser – Front Royal, VA	76	35
	17	Criser – Front Royal, VA	72	48
	21	Tac's – Winchester, VA (Exibition)	60	68
Mar	3	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	50	54
		DISTRICT TOURNAMENT		
	6	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	78	35
		Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	42	34
		STATE TOURNAMENT		
	11	Brookvale – White Stone, VA	Lost- Not In Paper	

POINTS: Douglas - 787
Opponents - 585

TOO MANY LAWS

Bulldogs Jolt Group I Luther Jackson 45-44

12-7-60

A last - ditch stand by Douglas was just enough to stop Group I Luther P. Jackson 45-44 yesterday on opening night for the Bulldogs.

The Group III hosts were safely ahead until the closing moments when their towering opponenets began to click and close the gap. A last instant shot didn't connect from directly under the bucket and Douglas wrapped up the win in what could have been the toughest game of the year.

Even if Douglas loses from here on out, it's doubtful if the Bulldogs will see a taller or more powerful squad. The visitors averagde well over six feet and three of the starters broke the 6-4 barrier.

AGAINST THAT SORT of height the Bulldogs had to jump twice as high to clear the boards their share of the time, and they never did get a tap.

A combination of Noah Laws and John Laws proved the difference in the end as the fast-traveling pair racked up 30 points. 20 of them by Noah who did a great job defensively as well. John started slowly but came on in the final period when the Douglas defense was bogging down. Both teams scored well in the final period, but the visitors had an 18-14 edge and it was almost the game.

NOAH PUMPED IN two shots in each period except the second when he scored three goals. On top of that, he added 2-for-2 from the free line.

Jackson's Albert Price used his 6-4 frame to good advantage in scoring 15 points, seven of them in the final period, while 6-5 Houston Summer grabbed 12 points for his share.

Two of the Bulldogs came up ith six-point efforts, but Paul Walker was the better shot from the floor with three neat goals. Kenneth Pye had only one goal and a good defensive game, but he pumped in four shots from the free line.

LAWRENCE GASKINS did a good job of defending for the Bulldogs, and teammate George Curry turned out to be a play maker and rebounding specialist.

Douglas made one attempt during football to crack a Group I school, Cardoza, but that was a futile effort. Last night, however the Bulldogs evened it up against the larger schools by edging Jackson and establishing themselves as quite a threat in their own circles.

ON FRIDAY NIGHT, the Bulldogs play Johnson-Williams on the Berryville school's court with the hosts hoping for a chance to avenge two lopsided football defeats at the hands of champion Douglas.

One thing is for sure, the scoring by quarters last night is no indication of the way it's going to go on Friday. Last night, the Bulldogs were in front 8-6 after one period, 21-18 at intermission and 31-26 after three quarters. Then came the four-point disadvantage which nearly wiped out the victory.

AFTER JOHNSON-WILLIAMS, the Bulldogs are at home for Criser of Front Royal on the 13th and then go to Simms of Harrisonbrug on the 16th. These games will ring down the curtain on the 1960 program, unless someone cooks up an alumni gzme.

The Bulldogs haven't completed their schedule yet, because Coach Ed Barksdale hopes to hear from Carver of Culpeper and Jeannie Dean of Manassas.

Last year, the Bulldogs rolled to an impressive 15-2 record, but it might not be as fine this year with no height except 6-3 Noah Laws and a couple of 6-footers. There is, however, plenty of experience on the squad, and that's a big factor because the Bulldogs have the largest turnout in four years for basketball. There are also more than 15 lads trying out for the junior varsity, so matters have a bright look for future teams at Douglas.

73-36 DECISION

Freshman Noah Laws Directs Douglas Win

12-10-60

After scoring 74 points twice this year against Johnson - Williams in football, Douglas dropped down to 73 last night at Berryville in a winning a basketball battle by 37 points.

The 73-36 decision was almost assured in the opening period when Noah Laws racked up four goals and a free shot for nine of his 25 points He repeated the performance in the second period as the Bulldogs left the court at intermission on the long end of a 34-12 count. It was 15-7 at the end of one quarter.

Douglas had too much balance for Johnson-Williams, although Stanley Clay (11) and Abney Carey and Jim Moses with 9 each did a good job for the host club. It was an off night for high-scoring Moses in the first half, but he came through in the second half.

NOT FAR BEHIND Noah Laws were Kenneth Pye and George Curry with 18 and 17 points to give the Bulldogs three double figure men.

Douglas used zone and man-to-man defenses very effectively in holding the shots to three periods of under eight points Except for the 19-point third quarter, the Berryville boys were never in the game.

High-scoring John Laws was practically out of action with a severe cold and never made a point, so the Bulldogs had to make it without him practically.

EACH TEAM WAS charged with 14 personals, and each came out of the game with slightly under .500 in shooting their free shots. Douglas made 9-for-19 and Johnson-Williams had 10-for-21. The difference in field foals told the story as the Bulldogs held a 32-13 edge.

On Tuesday, the Bulldogs are home against Criser of Front Royal with the girls taking the spotlight for the first game.

In the varsity game that night, fans who haven't seen freshman Noah Laws in action ought to take advantage of the occasion. This lad was a 26-point average shooter with last year's junior varsity and is threatening to repeat with the varsity. What he can do in the next two or three years is a good guess, but his 6-3 height assures him of success if he sticks with the game.

Douglas Upset By Lucy Simms

12-17-60

Take away the coach from a good basketball team and expect trouble.

That's certainly the slogan being adopted by Douglas High this morning after Ed Barksdale was taken to the hospital yesterday with his Bulldogs headed for Harrisonburg's Lucy Simms High.

In Memorial Hospital for a spinal examination, Coach Barksdale was an unhappy as might be expected over missing the trip, but he probably had no idea it could make such a difference to his club.

ALTHOUGH MIKE FORD did a hang-up job with the Bulldogs, they just didn't have it in losing to Simms 47-45. Even though the Harrisonburg quint was state champion last season, the Bulldogs owned wins in both regular season games against Simms and figured to start this season off right againt them again.

Noah Laws, the lad who has been pumping in enough points to become an all-star in his freshman year, needed Coach Barksdale's calm hand on his shoulder last night. With the hand not there, Laws was held to three goals and a couple of free shots for eight points.

GEORGE CURRY and Kenneth Pye made it into double figures with 12 and 15 points and had the game all tied in the fourth quarter before two low scorers broke it up for Simms. Wilmer Byrd and Douglas ewis picked up two goals each to double their total production for the other 3 periods. Pye had three goals in the final quarter and Curry had two, but the Bulldogs didn't hit from the free line in three chances, while the hosts were making a couple of soft touches good.

That turned out to be enough to tie the quarter 12-12 and keep alive the two-point margin which Simms carried into the period.

AT THE END of one quarter on the strange court, the Bulldogs were on the short end of a 17-10 count, but the lead was shaved to four points at intermission and down to two after three quarters.

Both sides were off on their shooting with the Bulldogs missing 30 times from the floor and the hosts failing 47 times, From the free line, Douglas picked up 7-for-15 and Simms made 9-for-22. Each team had 19 goals.

ALTHOUGH HE SHOT only twice, playmaker John Laws scored a goal and was a key player in the offensive pattern. If the Bulldogs had hit on anything like their regular performance, the story would have read very differently.

The game was the end of the 1960 season for Douglas with Johnson-Williams coming to town on Jan. 6 to open the New Year.

Incidentally, Curry and Pye both fouled out last night right when the score was knotted, once at 43-43 and then at 45-45. The hosts didn't lose anyone to the whistle blowers.

NOAH LAWS SCORES 26

Douglas Defeats Johnson-Williams

1-7-61

Douglas had little trouble stopping Johnson-Williams of Berryville last night on the Bulldogs home court as the score went to 63-36, but it was mainly due to the improved play of Noah Laws.

The lanky youngster was working his hook shot from the pivot last night with accuracy enough to befuddle the J-W defenses in each quarter as he racked up 13 goals. He had no free shots connect and finished with 26 points, only 10 less than the visitors.

KENNETH PYE HAD 11 points and George Curry had 10 to round out the starting attack of the Bulldogs, but the subs spent much of the time on the court.

Stanley Clay was high for J-W with three goals and 4-for-7, while James Moses and William Brisco were tied at seven points each.

By quarters, the Bulldogs led 16-8, 14-8, 17-7 and 16-13. It wasn't until the final quarter when the visitors came out in double figures, but they still showed quite an improved attack and defense over the first meeting when the Bulldogs went over the 70 mark.

THE DOUGLAS JVs are still unbeaten after three games on the strength of last night's 36-18 win over J-W, and the younger players used a balanced attack all the way to pull the trick.

On Tuesday, the Bulldogs will be at Leesburg for a battle against the Douglas quint, and that ought to be a real game on the strength of the Loudoun County Club's 3-1 record. It's exactly the same as Douglas High of Winchester. Two schools with the same name sporting the same record ought to prove interesting.

THE MAN TO WATCH this year and for the next couple of seasons is Noah Laws. He scored 25 pints against Johnson-Williams in his first try but was held to eight by Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg in his worst showing. Against Luther Jackson, Laws pumped in 20 points and is hitting right on the 20 mark at this stage of the season.

Kenneth Pye is also hitting an average in double figures to keep the pressure off the young center, but the defensive work of John Laws, George Curry and Paul Walker helps even more.

So far, the most points scored by any club against the Bulldogs is 47, and that was at Lucy Simms. It ought to be a different picture when the Harrisonburg club plays here on the 13th.

Bulldogs Lose to Leesburg

With Only Curry Starring

1-12-61

A surprisingly strong Leesburg Douglass quint knocked off Winchester's Dougals 70-56 last night on the winners' court as Richard Berry put on a one-man show for his home crowd.

The six-two forward had all the proper passes and then showed off his shooting ability over the last three periods to finish with 28 points. For his 12 goals and 4-for-7 from the free line. Berry received not ony a terific hand from his own crowd, but he had the personal congratulations of Winchester Coach Ed Barksdale.

NOAH LAWS, the youngster who has been setting the pace for Douglas, managed to pick up 13 points but had an off night in the process. His leadership was the process. His leadership was taken over by George Curry who sank nine goals and added aperfect 4-for-4 for 22 points. It was Curry's best peroormance of the year and came against the best team the Bulldogs have met.

THREE MEN HIT double figures for the winners besides Berry and each one had 11 points: Robert Jackson, Omar Furr and substitute James Day. The latter didn't have a starting team uniform, but he came on early in the game and put on a prize exhibition, anyway.

Kenneth Pye committed too many personals for the visitors and had to ride the bench part of the final period. He was the only man in the game to go out, but he did get eight points before the departure. Laws had to ride the bench in the second half, but it was to give the freshman a chance to see his mistakes.

IT WASN'T THE BEST game for Douglas and chances are excellent that the return match here in February will produce a win for Winchester. The hustle just wasn't there, but Curry almost made a game of it in the second half as he pumped in three goals in the third quarter and as many more in the fourth.

The first quarter ended 13-8 in favor of Winchester and the locals looked pretty good. Then came the second quarter and the hosts were on top 28-25 at intermission. The score read 46-38 after three quartrs.

Other than congratulating Berry and Curry, Coach Barksdale had little to say about his team's efforts excpet that a shake-up might be due before Friday's revenge game with Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg. That game will be played here, against the only other club to top the Bulldogs.

33-1 EDGE IN 4TH

Douglas' Bulldogs Rout Criser 76-35

2-3-61

Douglas passed the .500 mark with ease last night against Criser of Front Foyal, but it was actually a forth quarter surge which ran the score to a lopsided 76-35 total.

The Bulldogs were running strong until the final period and seemed to have matters well in hand. But the word strong will have to be changed to spectacular to account for the 33-1 margin by which they took that final stanza.

GOING INTO the fourth, Douglas held a 43-34 lead and Coach Ed Barksdale pulled out his high scorer, Noah Laws. That gave the green light to a fast break with a zone defense for the Bulldog sand away they went. Criser never had a chance against the onrushing Bulldogs and it was all over quickly.

Four of the winners hit in double figures with Noah Laws' 18 points heading the pack. John Laws had 13 as did Ken Pye, while George Curry sank 14 points. All four had six or seven goals and made up the difference from the free line.

ONLY WILLARD SMITH of Criser cracked the double figure column and he just made it with 12 points, although he could have had several more with accuracy from the free line where he missed five or seven shots.

Dougla shot 52 per cent, which was twice what the Criser crew could manage, as the Bulldogs hit 31 times from the floor as compared to only 15. From the free line, Douglas hit 14-for-34 as compared to Criser. Criser committed 24 personals and lost Smith in the last quarter, while the Bulldogs were charged with 12 and lost nobody. In fact, only Paul Walker had three fouls called as the Bulldogs managed to stay out of trouble. Two of his fouls were made in the final period when he contributed a pair of goals to the cause of running Criser off the court.

NEXT FOR DOUGLAS is a Thursday game here against Leesburg, one of the three teams to defeat Douglas this season. On Friday, Douglas goes to Page - Jackson of Charles Town.

With five wins against four losses, the Bulldogs needed this one last night as a moral builder for the poor story which has been run in the past 10 or 12 days.

In the junior varsity opener, Douglas scored a resounding 48-16 win with Clarence Curry scoring 20 points and Eugene Polston making 10.

PAGE-JACKSON WINS

Bulldogs End Short Slump

1-18-61

Page - Jackson of Charles Town happened along last night about the time Coach Ed Barksdale of Douglas had layed down the law to his Bulldogs because of a three-game slump.

And the result was rugged on the West Virginians as Winchester powered its way to an 67-35 victory.

After a sleepy first quarter, Douglas dragged out all the tricks it could find and they were enough to pulverize Page-Jackson's hopes completely. Noah Laws scored six goals in the period, but he was only a point ahead of John Laws who had five baskets and a free point to give the pair a total of 23 points.

BEFORE THEY WENT to the bench, Noah had 30 points and John had 17 as they shared high honors for the Bulldogs. Ex-junior varsity sharpshooter Charles "Pete" Washington was third with 15 points as he put on a brilliant display of how to graduate from a younger squad to the top team.

George Curry came through with a good second half to score eight points as did the only senior on the entire squad, James Brown. For the tall visitors, three men scored well: Raymond Twyman with 12; Jimmy Hughes with 11; and Richard Stevenson with 10, but that production couldn't keep pace with The Laws & Co.

ALTHOUGH PAGE - JACKSON had the height, the Bulldogs had the better ball handling ability and put it to good advantage.

It was a good way to break out of a slump and pointed Douglas in the right direction for the big games in Group III yet to come.

Friday night, Douglas goes to Criser for a varsity-junior varsity doubleheader, and then there is a Tuesday date at Luther Jackson. It's a JV-V twinbill, too.

IN LAST NIGHT'S action, the Bulldogs put on a full court press to stifle the West Virginians' attack, and it worked to perfection. As a team, Douglas played 100 per cent better ball than in recent games and may have shaken itself out of the slump to stay. It seems to depend on how hard the individual works for the team. Last night, veryone was working for the same cause. The difference in field goals was 42-14.

By quarters, the scoring read: 13-11, 28-6, 20-13 and 28-5 with Douglas always in front. The score was 41-17 at incermission.

IN THE JUNIOR game, Douglas came out on top 21-19 without the services of Pete Washington, as Carence Curry led the way with nine points. The rest of the hometown scoring was well divided at three and two points apiece for six players.

Oddly enough, at the half of that game, the score was 4-4, but the boys broke up that non-scoring parade in the last two periods.

Douglas Is Surprised Again by Lucy Simms

1-19-61

Over - anxious and inaccurate, the Bulldogs of Douglas fell before hard-driving Lucy Simms 43-37 last night in what was billed as a revenge meeting for the locals. The Harrisonburg meeting was a 2-point affair.

It didn't turn out that way as Coach Ed Barksdale's lads just couldn't find the range with long shots and wouldn't take time often enough to work in for the close ones.

AS A RESULT, the starting five may well be the substitutes the next few games, as it was such youngsters as Charles "Pete" Washington who came through, and this boy is straight from the junior varsity. The six goals by Washington equalled the output of sharpshooter Noah Laws who wasn't up to his average again. Neither had a free shot connect so each had a total of 12 points.

That wasn't enough to stop the well-balanced visitors who had one 12-point shooter in Richard Madden and nobody else in double figures. Douglas put the clamps on the visitors' offense with a man-for-man defense, but the Bulldogs attack just wasn't with it last night.

SIX-FIVE WILBUR Sampson was held to nine points and six-three Donald Burgess was stopped at seven. That apparently would have been quite enough on any other night, but not this time.

The Bulldogs were far behind with five minutes to go in the game at 31-20, but they put some joy in their fans' hearts with a sudden spurt which carried them to a 33-31 lead. After that, the boys couldn't hold out for the sure shots and lost possession on two occasions and a couple of points each time. That put the visitors back in the lead and they were never behind again.

UNTIL THAT FINAL period, the Bulldogs had been held to six points each of two periods and one in the other. They came through with 18 points in that quarter and seemed to have matters under control when the shots went wide from far out.

On Tuesday, the Bulldogs entertain Page-Jackson of Charles Town in a 7:30 doubleheader.

There was a bright spot last night as the Douglas girls came out on top to the tune of 21-9 with Frances Washington scoring eight points and Maxine Blowe making seven.

BALANCED ATTACK

Douglas Slams Criser Lancers

2-17-61

The best five-man attack of the season by Douglas put Criser of Front Royal out of the picture last night to the tune of 72-48.

Favored to win, Douglas wasted little time proving that five could do a better job than two or three as each starter had a good quarter during the game and none scored less than eight points. High man was Noah Laws with seven goals and 4-for-7 for 18 points.

RIGHT BEHIND at the 16-level was George Curry with 16 on six and 4-for-5. John Laws pumped in four goals and added 2-for-4 to total 10 points, while Kenneth Pye had nine points and Paul Walker finished with eight. All but two of the starters' 24 buckets were scored in the first three periods.

After that, Charles Washington, Richard Harris and Eugene Polston did most of the scoring for the bench.

STARTING WITH a normal zone defense, the Bulldogs found a change was necessary after one period when Ervin Porter shot four baskets for Criser. Although still in a zone, the Bulldogs changed around to cover Porter better and it was just about the end of that lad's freedom. In fact, even with 19 points for the game, Porter made only one more goal off the starting unit.

Larry Gaskins scored 11 points to run up second place honors for Criser.

BY INTERMISSION, the Lancers were on the short end of a 37-24 margin and slipping further behind all the way. The third period did the rest of the work as Douglas marched to 21 points and went into the final quarter on the long end of a 58-34 margin.

Each team scored 14 points in the last stanza, but that didn't mean much.

THE BULLDOGS outscored their Front Royal neighbors 56 - 32 from the floor and pumped in 16-for 30 from the free line as compared to 16-for-33. The Lancers were charged with 22 personals, one more than Douglas.

The Douglas girls did a neat job on Criser's gals with a 31-18 victory as Frances Washington scored 12 points and Maxine Blowe had 10.

There was only a point difference at halftime, but the third period actully put the game out of control as Blowe scored eight points and the Winchester girls went in front 27-14.

MONDAY NIGHT, there will be a speicial 8 o'clock game at Douglas featuring the Bulldogs and TAC of the City League. The benefit program will send eight boys and girls to the All-State Band competition from Douglas. This ought to be a good one, because it will feature the fastest club in the City Basketball program against an equally fast Douglas quint.

Douglas Host to Leesburg

3-3-61

Douglas entertains the Leesburg varsity and junior varsity in a basketball doubleheader tomorrow night beginning at 7:30.

After they get this one out of the way, the Bulldogs will be ready to square off against Berryville in the opening round of the Group III Tournament at Criser of Front Royal on Saturday at 1 p.m.

IF DOUGLAS GETS past Berryville, it will meet the winner of the Criser-Simms game on Saturday night in the final round for the district championship. There will be a girls game at 6:30 with the title match to follow at 7:30.

At the beginning of the season, the Bulldogs were red hot and ready to roll over the league. Since then, they have fallen a lot, but they could come back to sweep this district championship with a return to form.

TOURNAMENT TOMORROW

Bulldogs Lose Tune-up Game

3-3-61

Douglas was on the short end of a doubleheader at home last night, but the Bulldogs didn't lose by much either game.

In fact, the junior varsity game was a 36-35 thriller in favor of Leesburg with a shot by Dave Bryant winning it in the final 10 seconds of action. It was the first loss in two seasons for the Douglas JV's, but they were fighting against several varsity crewmen.

CLARENCE CURRY pumped in 17 points for the losers, the same total as Bryant.

In the varsity game against Leesburg's Douglass, the Bulldogs went four points behind in the third period and finally lost by that margin, 54-50.

Before the best crowd of the season, the Bulldogs matched the visitors point-for-point in three of the four quarters. Each team scored 15 points in the first, 15 in the second and 12 in the fourth, but it was 11-7 in favor of Leesburg in that third quarter.

RICHARD BERRY, the six-two ace of the visitors, came through with 11 goals and 9-for-11 from the free line for 31 points. And he was an inch shorter than John Evans of Leesburg and three inches shorter than teammate Omar Furr. With a six-footer and a five-11 lad to back the Leesburg tall boys, it's no wonder that Coach Ed Barksdale and his boys weren't too unhappy over the loss.

It's been weeks since the Bulldogs had a decent workout, and the pace began to tell in the final half. Noah Laws, who had five goals in the opening half, and Charles Washington, who had four, were held to one apiece in the final half as they finished with 13 and 11 points, respectively.

GEORGE CURRY, who didn't score much (6 points) was the big guy for the Bulldogs under the board as he out jumped every man on the Leesburg squad. Giving away a half foot to one player and many inches to the others didn't seem to bother Curry who had the best night of his career. In fact, the mood began to spread and Noah Laws came through with some nice board work in the latter quarters.

Both Laws and Curry fouled out at a crucial stage, but the Bulldogs weren't too upset because they needed a sharp tune-up before facing Berryville in the Group III Tournament at Criser of Front Royal tomorrow at 1 p.m.

If Douglas can make it past Berryville, it will be in line for the winner of the Criser-Simms game.

WINCHESTER EVENING STAR
MONDAY, MARCH 6, 1961

SAMPSON GETS 23

Teenagers Rock Douglas 68-60 Despite Laws' 30

Douglas High took an unofficial loss last night in the interest of raising funds for the All-State Band trip, as visiting TACs put the bite on the younger boys to the tune of 68-60.

For the TACs, balance paid off right through the contest. They scored no more than 18 points in a period or less than 16, while Douglas didn't untrack with a good quarter until the final stanze.

NOAH LAWS BEGAN to hit well in the second half and came up with 11 of his 15 goals as he finished with 30 points and high for the game, but it was too late. Even a 21-point fourth period couldn't stem the tide.

For TACs, Buddy Sampson was high with 23, but Mike Ford turned in his best game of the year even with only half as many points (12). Steve Reedy and Ron Keeler had 11 apiece, while John Laws was second for the school with 15 points.

SINCE THE BULLDOGS don't have a league game until March 2, here, with Leesburg, they need to keep in shape with some of these practice games. Another is scheduled for next week with the TACs and they hope to fill in a date or two in betweeen.

By halftime last night, the Bulldogs were on the short end of a 34-24 score and had dropped even further behind (51-39) at the end of three periods. Then came Noah and the cutting of the margin.

Douglas Swings Into State Quarter Finals

Curry Is Voted 'Most Valuable' In 2 Victories

Battling Douglas High of Winchester made its way to the quarter-finals of the Group III Basketball Tournament with a pair of impressive Saturday victories at Criser of Front Royal. An estimated 1,000 fans crowded every inch of the gym.

Although Criser was the host club for the four-team event, it was the only school which Douglas didn't meeting.

LUCY SIMMS of Harrisonburg ousted the hosts 61-50 in an early game while the Bulldogs from Winchester were trimming Berryville's Johnson - Williams 78-35. Then Douglas stopped Simms 42-34.

That opening tourney win for Douglas was almost close in the first quarter as both teams found the range, but the Bulldogs put on a defense which stopped Berryville cold and left nothing ahead but room to score.

NOAH LAWS PLAYED a great game with 26 points as he opened with six goals in the first quarter, that helped the Bulldogs go in front 21-13, and it was 35-17 at intermission. The third period was a good one for Bulldog Paul Walker who scored 4 goals and killed any hopes of an upset. In fact, the score after three quarters was 63-19.

WILLIAM BRISCOE was high for J-W with 10 points, while Keith Young was up the ladder with eight and Willie Brown came off the bench to score nine. Walker had 15, while Charles Washington and George Curry had 10 each for the winners.

The second game was a good show for both clubs, but Simms found the going rougher with the chips down. Despite two earlier losses to the Harrisonburg school, Douglas knew it could turn the trick, particularly when crafty Coach Ed Barksdale pulled his lads into a full court press.

THE BULLDOGS started with a 1-3-1 defense, but Simms [illegible] that so well from outside that it moved into an 11-2 lead. Then the Winchester boys shifted to a 2-1-2 and put the blanket on the losers.

Laws scored 13 points to lead the Bulldogs to their 42-34 margin, but he was two points behind Simms' Wilmer Byrd with 15. Kenneth Pye and John Laws picked up eight apiece, while Curry had seven and Charles Washington had six.

CURRY WAS NAMED the most valuable player in the tournament as a result of his all-around play.

Because of its double win, Douglas moves to Hampton Institute next Wednesday to get ready for the quarter-finals in the state. The Bulldogs' opponents haven't been named yet, but a win in the opener will put Douglas into the semi-finals. Lucy Simms will make the long trip, too, as the district runner-up, but it must meet another district champ, while Douglas goes in against a runner-up.

Although two teams go from each of the districts, the runner-up has the tougher job ahead in each case.

Bulldogs Leave For Tournament At Hampton Inst.

3-8-61

Douglas High of Winchester hit the highway this morning for Hampton Institute and the Group III State Basketball Tournament to open tomorrow.

The Bulldogs are in a 4 o'clock battle against Brookvale of White Stone which will send the winner on to the semi-final round on Friday at 6 o'clock.

One loss and out, is the rule this season as the state has cut out the consolation games in most areas. If Douglas can pull a couple of big wins tomorrow and Friday, the Bulldogs will be in for the championship game on Saturday night at 6 o'clock. And it's not too much to hope that Douglas will do well in this tourney, because Coach Ed Barksdale always manages to get the boys into the almost big games. So far, the luck at the state level hasn't been much, but this could be the season.

Hampton is also the site of the Group I and II Tournaments, with all being run this weekend.

1961 – 1962

1961 Football

After losing their opener to Curley of Charlottesville (student body of over 1300) 13-0, the Bulldogs went on to win its remaining seven games and shutting out six opponents. This may be the best Douglas football team in its history. They set a school record by scoring 393 points while only allowing 26 points. Brothers John and Noah Laws each scored 16 touchdowns for a total of 32 between them.

This was also the season Douglas defeated Cardoza and their sixty-man squad by the score of 8-0. This result ranks with the biggest upsets in our area.

1961-1962 Basketball

The basketball team also made this a special year. They rolled to an 11-5 season winning the District 3 Tournament again, the Region Tournament and finishing runner-up in the State Tournament to Booker T Washington of Staunton. Douglas sent this game into double overtime before losing 46-45.

Team members: Noah Laws, John Laws, Paul Walker, Richard Harris, Louis Long, Herman Grimes, Clarence Curry, Robert Newman, David Burns and Paul Williams.

Leading scorer: Noah Laws 15 games 357 points 23.8% average

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Sept	16	Burley – Charlottesville, VA	0	13
	25	Pomonkey – Indian Head, MD	41	0
	30	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	91	0
Oct	7	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	94	0
	14	Cardoza – Washington, DC	8	0
	23	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	80	0
Nov	6	Jeanne Dean – Manassas, VA	46	13
	20	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA (first half only)	33	0

POINTS: Douglas - 393 (New school record)
Opponents - 26

Brothers: John and Noah Laws each scored 16 touchdowns for a total of 32 TD'S.

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Douglas Opens Against Four-Time Champions

Charlottesville's Burley Has 1,300 Student Body

By CHARLIE TAIT
Star Sports Editor

The all-powerful club in its own league this season is Douglas High.

In fact, the 1961 Bulldogs are gonig to give each opponent a fit if early indications and past records mean anything at all.

COACH ED BARKSDALE, who starts his boys out early in life and sticks with them right through graduation (and even into scholarships when possible) has a dream team this season. He lost one man, and that's all.

Even though Lawrence Carter won't be around to bull through the line from his fullback slot with 187 pounds of trouble for the other clubs, the rest of the 1960 team of champions will be ready for tomorrow's opener.

CARTER, WHO IS ENROLLED at Shepherd College, will be on the sidelines when Douglas opens against Group I Burley at Charlottesville in what could be the toughest battle on the schedule. Burley wasn't on last year's schedule when Douglas romped to a 7-1 record, losing to only Cardoza, the District of Columbia powerhouse.

Burley won the state Group I title in 1958 and 1959 and held the co-championship in 1956 and 1957. It is also the Alma Mater of such greats as Roosevelt Brown of the New York Giants, and that lad became quite a man, winning the All-Pro tackle spot.

GAME TIME IS 8 O'CLOCK, and it's expected that Douglas fans will be on hand in droves, despite the distance involved.

If the Bulldogs can get past Burley, matters ought to be bright until October 27 when Cardozo comes to town. And that will spell trouble again.

Unfortunately, Douglas does not have a full schedule to test the boys, but such schools as Burley, with an enrollment of 1,300 and Cardoza, which is even larger, could never be played by a Group III school unless it was at its peak.

AS FOR THE RECORD book, Douglas has played for nine seasons under Coach Barksdale and is going into the 10th with an overall record of 59 vicories, 13 defeats and 3 ties. The popular mentor has spent 10 basketball seasons at Douglas, running up a record of 84-42, and that's right terrific, too.

On the 29th Douglas opens at home against Johnson Williams of Berryville, and then the Bulldogs have a home game against Simms of Harrisonburg on October 6. Following the Cardoza game, there will be a game on November 4 agains Manassas, and that's Home coming Afternoon. The Bulldogs finish the season with two away games, at Simms on the 1th and at Johnson Williams on the 18th.

LAST YEAR'S SQUAD rolled to 326 points while allowing only 62 (31 of them by Cardoze).

A lot of those points were scored by a freshman end, Noah Laws. This season, Noah is a 175-pounder who stands 6-2. He is fast and deceptive and can play halfback on defense. Last year, Laws caught 12 touchdown passes and figures to cause just as much trouble this season and the next two.

Senior Charles Harris is a good blocker and fine defensive player at 168 and 5-10, and he knows his way around the football field from his end position. His pass receiving is the weaker spot.

ALSO AT END will be Paul Walker, a shorty with another year to go. He is good on defense and can go into center for punts. The other ends are: Louis Long, 5-11 junior, and Johnny Alsberry, 5-10 junior. Long is a non-letterman but is moving up nicely, while Alsberry is a Strasburg lad who has speed to go with a good defense and offense.

At the tackles will be such as Herman Grimes, 6-2, 195-pound freshman; Robert Long, 5-9, 170-pound freshman; Robert Newman, 6-feet, 187-pound junior from Strasburg; and Robert Cooper, 6-1, 180-pound senior from Woodstock. In this group, Cooper and Newman spell the most trouble for other teams on past performance, but they will be pushed for their starting jobs by the youngsters who are coming on well in all departments. Long, for example, is strong ad rough but a quiet lad who works well.

AT GUARD, there is speed from such lads as Eugene Polston who scored five touchdowns on guard-around plays in his sophomore year. The 185-pounder, 5-9 junior is a smart player who can go well on offense and defense. Then there is Joseph Jackson, a 176-pounder who stands six feet and is only a freshman. He's fast, a good blocker, fine defensive player and has only trouble in one department, inexpeience.

Also at guard is Russell Roberts, a 160-pound soph who stands 5-9 and has improved greatly over last season. In addition, three eighth graders are trying out for the position: Ronald Nelson, Irvin Baltimore and Wayne King, all abou 5-9 and 150 pounds.

RICHARD HARRIS and Larry Panks are working on the center slot with the 5-11, 175-pound Harris up for his final season as compared to his freshman opponent for the slot. Banks is the same height but a little on the lighter side, and he can switch over to halfback when the occasion calls for it.

The quarterback slot is sewed up by George Curry, a 5-9, 177-pounder who has academic problems but not football. He is rated somewhere between the 11th and 12th grades, but his rating as a passer, runner, punter and defensive player is above excellent.

CURRY THREW 16 touchdown passes last season, played halfback on defense and will certainly draw a scholarship from some good school, if he gets his grades in shape.

John H. Laws has one halfback slot sewed up, probably. He is the same size as Curry, scored 14 touchdowns last season, is a good runner and pass receiver, blocks well, plays halfback on defense, is an above average student and should draw a few college bids, too. Another senior is Stanley Long, just a shade smaller than the other two, a hard player who blocks well, plays a good defensive game and sometimes forgets his assignments.

LEROY WOODSON, same size as Long, is a Woodstock boy with three seasons ahead of him and already shows much promise in his start as a soph. David Burns is the freshman hopeful for this part of the lineup and he has some growing to do from his 5-9 140 pounds.

At fullback is Clarence Curry, the question mark on the team. This lad will bear some watching. He is six feet tall and weighs 193 but is only a freshman. He can run hard, catch passes well and can switch to tackle on defense. If necessary, Joe Jakson can take the position.

ALSO OUT FOR END is Thomas Ranson, a 5-10 freshman who is developing nicely. Another tackle candidate is Harold Thompson, 6-2 and 168 pounds. He's a soph who has already developed some potential.

Herman Washington is a 5-9, 160-pound guard candidate who lettered in 1959 and then dropped for a season. He is usually ready for any action and would prove a valuable asset to the team if he sticks with it.

On paper and on the gridiron, Douglas is the powerhouse of Group III and ought to be well up in state honors in this division. Although there won't be any test to determine the best III school in the state, it's quite likely that Douglas will merit the top billing if it gets past such as Burley and Cardoza.

By 13-0

Burley Defeats Douglas

9-16-61

Douglas tried to knock off Group I Burley at Charlottesvile last night, but penalities and errors wrecked the Group III school's plans to the tune of 13-0.

Despite the difference in sizes, the outweighed Bulldogs were in it all the way and would like another opportunity to tackle the same eleven.

According to Coach Ed Barksdale, his lads did extremely well most of the way against the four-time champions. Each team lost only one game last season, but the competition was rugged this time for both.

DOUGLAS FANS TURNED out in large numbers for the game and the band was included in the group which helped swell the large Burley Stadium.

From the opening kickoff to the Bulldogs, it was apparent that that Douglas was going to be in the game, win or lose. They moved the ball well and had stopped every Burley drive until late in the first half when the Douals punt put the ball in midfield. From there, the Charlottesville boys moved steadily downfield for their only long drive of the game.

THE PAYOFF CAME ON a fourth-and-three situation on the 10-yard line as End Charles Gooomes took a pass over the middle in the end zone from Quarterback John Walker. The hosts had three quarterbacks who alternated regularly, but this one couldn't get his team up for the extra point.

The second score came in the third quarter when the fourth try from the two-yard line was carried in by Left Half Melvin Dickerson. Robert Crenshaw, the 200 pound fullback, rammed the middle for the point which finished the scoring.

DEFENSIVELY, the Bulldogs had it, but the plays which should have clicked for TDs were just a few yards away last night. They moved the ball to the opponents' goal line several times, only to have penalities and errors stop the drives. And there was an early shotgun-type pass to Noah Laws which would have gone all the way but for a stumble which cost him the catch. That would have made it a 6-0 game in favor of Douglas at the time.

One Douglas drive carried to the two and another to the one in the second half, but Burley's huge line blocked the charges and the passes failed.

THE END, Herman Grimes, Robert Newman and Joe Jackson got a solid vote for their line defense; Robert Laws did a fine job; Clarence Curry and Eugene Polston turned in good games as linebackers; Stanley Long, Noah Laws, John Laws and George Curry did a neat bit of secondary work; and all of the backs had a nice night of running.

The Bulldogs picked up 89 yards along the ground and 92 more in the air on the way to 10 first downs. They completed .500 percent of their 12 oasses, which was better than the 3-for-7 turned in by Burley which made only 28 yards in the air but had 134 on the ground. The hosts made the most first downs as they racked up 12.

BESIDES THAT, Polston looked good on the guard-around plays picking up 11 yards on one shot and setting up another good drive. John Laws had his best night of running since he's been at Douglas, and Coach Barksdale may have been disappointed at the outcome, but he was looking forward with pleasure to meeting more large schools and holding them on even terms as they did last night.

Next week is open, but the Douglas coach is in the market for a game with anyone.

After that, the Bulldogs are at home for Johnson Williams of Berryville on the 29th.

Douglas Romps Over Pomonkey

Noah Laws And Curry Are Stars

9-25-61

Douglas romped to a six touchdown victory over visiting Pomonkey of Maryland Saturday afternoon as the Bulldogs put a big 41-0 marker on the board.

For Coach Ed Barksdale's lads, the scoring opened with a 55-yard pass play from quarterback George Curry to end Noah Laws with John Laws going in for the extra point from his left half position.

AFTER THAT, Noah Laws scored the third TD of the afternoon on a one-yard plunge from quarterback from switching positions with Curry. Stanley Long plunged in for the point from right half. The fourth TD of the day was made by Noah Laws, too, as he took a 33-yarder from Curry, the last half of the distance on a good run. This time the point was scored by Clarence Curry, fullback.

The second TD of the day was made on a seven-yard run by left half John Laws, and Clarence Curry added the point. The fifth score was made by Clarence Curry from the fullback slot on a four-yard plunge. The point wasn't registered this time.

ON THE FINAL touchdown, George Curry went in from the one on a sneak and Noah Laws took a pass from Curry, for the point, after a penalty set the Bulldogs back five more yards.

The statistics proved how much Douglas dominated the game as the Bulldogs rolled for 125 yards on the ground and 224 through the air to Pomonkey's 95 on the ground and 32 in the air.

THE BULLDOGS made six first downs against three, but the touchdowns matched the first downs for Douglas, and that's the way to win a game.

On the sensational side, Noah Laws was on the receiving end of a 47-yarder from Curry which set up the second score. So it was a big afternoon for the sophomore end who still has a long way to go to match the 12 touchdowns he scored as a freshman.

OUTSTANDING IN the line for the Bulldogs were: Paul Walker, defensive left end; Joseph Jackson, interior lineman; Robert Long, interior lineman; Clarence Curry, defensive right tackle; Eugene Polston, guard; Charles Harris, defensive right end; and Louis Long, defensive right end.

Coach Barksdale had a chance to give his bench a workout this time, as the Marylanders couldn't match the finesse of the Winchester club and never got a scoring drive underway as they failed to penetrate the 25-yard line.

NEXT FRIDAY afternoon, Johnson-Williams of Berryville will be here for a chance of knocking off Douglas, the big school in the state this year in Group III. Although J-W is coming along well, the Berryville boys don't appear to be in for much of an afternoon against Douglas' Bulldogs.

Bulldogs Massacre Johnson-Williams

9-30-61

91-0 Score Sets Record For Douglas

By CHARLIE TAIT

Under a clear, hot sun, Douglas romped to a 91- win over visiting Johnson-Williams of Berryville yesterday afternoon to set some sort of local record.

The Bulldogs rolled for 13 touchdowns, 11 extra points and a safety to competely dominate the game from start to finish, but the Berryville tackling at the end was crisper than at the beginning.

TOO MANY GUNS and the ability to fire them straight proved the undoing of what had been billed as a better game for Johnson-Williams. Although football is fairly new at Berryvie, J-W's fans expected a closer battle than last year's rout, but they were doomed to disappointment.

Douglas opened up a 14- lead in the first quarter and then jumped the total to 44- by intermission. In the third quarter, the visitors held Douglas to a lone touchdown and then watched the roof fall in during the final period when the Bulldogs scored 40 points on just seven plays from scrimmage.

IT WAS AMAZING to watch. Everything the Bulldogs planned worked. John Laws scored three touchdowns from his fullback slot; Noah Laws made three at end; and unpublicized Stanley Long scored three. George and Clarence "Butch" Curry scored one each as did Guard Eugene Polston and Joe Jackson. And lineman Herman Grimes made a tackle in the J-W backfield to account for the other pair of points.

BY THE NUMBERS, the Bulldogs scored this way: George Curry on an interception for 35 yards with Butch Curry carrying the point across; Butch from the 21 with Long taking in the point; [illegible] yards with John Laws carrying in the point; John Laws for 14 yards with David Burns making the run for point; John Laws from the seven with Butch getting the point; Grimes on the safety; Long on a 3-yard reverse with Butch carrying the point; Noah Laws sneaking in from quarterback from the two with John Laws adding the point run; Polston on a guard-around from 30 yards out with no point added; John Laws from the nine with no point after; Joe Jackson on a blocked punt from 15 yards with George Laws adding the point; Noah Laws on a lateral from George Curry who intercepted on the J-W 25 with Curry passing to Long for the point; Long on a 57-yard pass play from Curry with Butch going in for the point; and Long from the two with George Curry adding the 91st point. All the extra points were runs or passes.

JOHNSON - WILLIAMS might have fared better if it had turned in a few crucial blocks, but the boys didn't get in any during the game and couldn't control the ball except for brief spurts when the passing attack clicked.

When you take a look at past records, the score seems even more ridiculous. Leesburg, which always gives Douglas a battle and isn't down this year, was held to a 0-0 deadlock by Johnson - Williams, and the Berryville team dropped a 34-0 game to Group II Fredericksburg which is the most powerful school in the state in the larger class.

LIKE WE SAID, this is the year for Douglas, but the Bulldogs won't find any practice or competition in their own league, unless they forget to take it the hard way. Just for the record, Coach Ed Barksdale had heard the rumors floating around about Johnson - Williams' desire for revenge and he had his boys out for scrimmage until 5:30 the evening before the game. Whatever it was, they were ready for this one, and Johnson-Williams wasn't.

7 Oct 61

Douglas Blasts Simms by 94-0

Week-Old Mark Goes Up in Dust

By CHARLIE TAIT
Star Sports Editor

For the second week in a row, lightning struck on the Douglas gridiron as the Bulldogs ran wild over Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg by a 94-0 score yesterday afternoon.

In last week's game against Johnson- Williams of Berryville, the Bulldogs mowed down the opposition 91-0 and established a record which seemed sure to stand for quite awhile.

IT LASTED JUST as long as Douglas was able to get to the next game, and then a torrent of 14 touchdowns, 10 extra points and a solid defense racked up the Harrisonburg league member, but good.

Although Coach Ed Barksdale sent in subs regularly, the boys wanted to win it too badly to hold back on the attack. Before it was over, the Bulldogs had rolled at will for a record which really should stay on the board, particularly for a two-game span with 184 points to zero.

LEADING THE PACE were the Laws brothers with three touchdowns apiece Noah getting his on three passes from quarterback George Curry and John picking up his through the line. Butch Curry checked in with four from his fullback slot, while the other halfback, Stanley Long, added two to the pace. Eugene Polston rang up one on a guard-around play, and George Curry kept once for his only TD.

By quarters, the Bulldogs scored 13, 27, 20 and 34 and never had to punt. The visitors made only two first downs, one on a pass by fullback Thomas Nizer to right end Leewood Davis, and the other on a penalty. Douglas was held to eight first downs, but that was because they didn't have to make any.

IN THE OPENING quarter, Curry passed to Noah for a 20-yarder and John Laws went in for the point. Then Butch Curry went over the middle from the 19-yard line and the pass for point was dropped by Noah.

In the second quarter, it required only two plays to send John Laws in from 26 yards away for a brilliant slanting run with Curry hitting sophomore Noah for the extra point.

JOHN LAWS CAME right back with a 19-yarder and Curry hit Louis Long with the extra point pass. Only moments later, George Curry intercepted a Nizer pass on the Lucy Simms 24 to set the stage for John Laws third TD, a Statue of Liberty play which went all the way and put the score at 34-0 when Curry jump-passed to Noah for the point.

With time running out in the period, Butch Curry went 17 yards right over the defenders for the 40th point, and this time the kick by Noah for the point was wide.

DOUGLAS RECEIVED in the second half and Stanley Long went 29 yards on a reverse to set up a pass from Curry to Noah for 22 yards and another TD. Two plays from scrimmage were all that were necessary on this trip after Butch Curry rolled 35 yards with the opening kickoff. The kick by Noah was blocked.

The next scoring play came on the guard-around as Polston whipped off the left side of the Douglas line and carried all the way from the 19. Curry passed to Noah for the point and it was 53-0.

ROBERT COOPER recovered a Simms' fumble on the visitors' 15, and Curry hit Noah with a jump pass to the one-yard line. Stanley Long broke through for the TD and Noah kicked the point to make it 60-0.

A quick kick put Douglas on the defensive side of the field for the only time in the game, but Stanley Long went 30 yards, and Butch Curry raced 52 yards down the right side to the three-yard line as time ran out in the third period.

One play in the final period was all it took as Butch Curry bowled over everyone in his way to score. Curry passed to Louis Long for the point to make it 67-0.

AFTER STANLEY LONG intercepted a pass on the 25 and sidestepped into the end zone, it became apparent that last week's score might go down the drain. It stayed at 73-0 when the kick was wide again by Noah.

The 80-level was reached shortly afterwards when Simms couldn't get off a punt and the Bulldogs took over on the visitors' 18. On the second play from scrimmage, Curry hit Noah for the TD and then went for the point on the same combination, from the 18 after a penalty wiped out the first crak.

LEROY WOODSON intercepted a pass late in the game to give the Bulldogs possession on the Simms' 20. With a first and goal on the eight, Curry was talked into keeping the ball for his only TD and he made it across easily. His pass to Louis Long added the point and it was 87-0.

A kickoff fumble gave the Bulldogs possession on the Simms' 32 and that series required only one play as Butch Curry went all the way on a quick opener up the middle which left the Simms' defense talking to itself. Noah added the point this time to run out the scoring at 94-0.

THE FINAL TWO touchdowns were made well inside the four-minute mark to give an indication of the striking power of the Bulldogs.

Matters get rougher on the 27th when Cardoza comes to Winchester for its annual test of strength —a 2000 enrollment against the less than 150 at Douglas. Only 50-some boys are in the high school, and 22 of those are out for football.

Bulldogs Jolt Cardoza 8-0

10-18-61

By CHARLIE TAIT

Quarterback George Curry unloaded his slingshot arm in the direction of end Noah Laws for an 18-yard touchdown yesterday afternoon and dumped mighty Cardoza of Washington 8-0 before the largest crowd in Douglas High history.

If the Bulldogs had needed any legal or medical advice, they would have been in excellent shape with half of the lawyers and doctors in town along the sideline. As with the other hundreds of spectators who closed shop to see the battle against the big District of Columbia school, few dared hope for more than a tie or a small defeat.

BUT DOUGLAS was out to grind an axe into Cardoza's record, and the defense was so outstanding that the visitors had only three first downs in the entire game and never threatened to dent the Bulldog goal line. Only a spread-defense to prevent a touch down in the closing moments of the first half opened the way for a passing first down, and then the purple and white managed a drive with two first downs by rushing in the second half.

That was the story of Cardoza's 60-man traveling unit and its annual visit to Winchester, but it was much brighter on the Douglas side of the scenery.

THE BULLDOGS powered their way for five first downs in the opening half, added four more in the second and were on the visitors' eight-yard line with a third and five to go as time ran out. There was little doubt that Douglas would have scored again, because the Bulldogs had worn down their opponents with tremendous battering in the line, and Curry was going with the wind in the final priod. It was in the first quarter that Curry had the wind and scored the TD to Laws.

AS FOR NOAH, this was the 25th touchdown in less than two seasons and the lad is a sophomore. Yesterday's six-pointer was the 13th of this year and broke last year's mark by one, with Manassas and Johnson Williams left on the schedule.

The Bulldog defense, which gave up 62 points last season, has been so tight since opening day that nobody has cracked the goal line. There is little question that Douglas would do fine now against the one team which defeated it, Burley of Charlottesville, because the freshmen and sophomores on the squad hadn't had time to jell that early in the season. By comparison, Cardoza has a better club than Burley, but it's too late to worry about that until next season when Coach Ed Barksdale will have most of his squad back for another crack at Charlottesville.

ACROSS THE LINE on defense, Charles Harris, Robert Cooper, Herman Grimes, Robert Newman and Clarence Curry put the pressure on Cardoza's running plays so well that nothing ever materialized. Even though the Washington boys have trenmendous speed in open field, the Bulldogs denied them every chance to break into the clear. The best way to stop a fast man is before he gets underway, and that's exactly what the Bulldogs did.

Behind the line, such powers as Louis Long, Stanley Long, George Curry, Robert Long, Noah Laws, John Laws, Eugene Polston, Joe Jackson and Johnny Alsberry backed up the moves of the first men so well that Cardoza was forced to go to the air.

AND THE FIVE-FOUR defense set up by Douglas was ready for the aerials, too. The way Coach Barksdale had scouted Cardoza in its two-touchdown win over Western of D.C. proved that a solid wall of tacklers would work. The nine defensive men were so close to the line that Douglas usually looked like it would be a set up for a pass, but as soon as quarterback Melvin Burwell looked like he was going to throw, back went two of the Bulldogs. Fullback David Dobbins completed a 40-yarder to James Hatcher in that final play of the first half, but the penetration was to only the 25.

ASIDE FROM THE TD, Douglas added two vital points on a safety when Charles Harris was the first of three tacklers to drop punter Leonard Harris in the end zone late in the second period. Those two points proved valuable in the second half when the visitors had to gamble for the long pass and a quick touchdown, rather than grind out the yardage for one TD and an extra point.

Douglas had scored the extra point after its TD, but a penalty made it try again.

NEXT SATURDAY afternoon, Douglas will put its 5-1 record on the line against Manassas in Homecoming ceremonies here, and then there is a long wait until the 18th when Johnson Williams entertains the Bulldogs at Berryville.

Last year, the Bulldogs scored 326 points while allowing 62, but this year it ought to be a lot better. Right now, the Bulldogs have allowed only 13 and scored 314 in six games. The 1960 team won seven and lost one, to Cardoza by 31-2.

Douglas Bulldogs Roll Over Lucy Simms 80-0

10-23-61

Douglas High School rolled to an easy 80-0 victory over Lucy Simms at Harrisonburg Saturday with the rain and mud providing most of the opposition.

John Laws led the Douglas scoring with four touchdowns as the locals scored in every quarter.

Douglas beat Lucy Simms 94-0 two weeks ago and has lost only one game, its opener, to Burley High School of Charlottesville. Douglas meets Cardozo of Washington, D.C., here Friday at 2 p.m. in what Coach Ed Barksdale said is his team's toughest test of the year.

DOUGLAS opened by driving 51 yards in five plays. After a series of gains Eugene Polston skirted his left end 11 yards for a touchdown.

Noah Laws' kick was run back 33 yards and Simms was forced to punt. Russell Roberts blocked the punt and recovered it on the Douglas 49. Then after successive gains Law went 13 yards for a TD around his left end.

Simms fumbled on the first play after the kickoff and Robert Newman recovered on the Simms 32. Douglas scored on one play as John Laws ran 32 yards for a touchdown down the right side.

Noah Laws intercepted a pass on Simms' third play as the second quarter opened and ran 38 yards for the fourth TD by the Bulldogs.

Simms fumbled Noah Laws' kickoff on their 36. Then Laws danced around right end 36 yards for another score.

Robert Newman picked up another Simms fumble after the kickoff.

George Curry picked up 14 yards and his brother Clarence picked up the final 16 yards for the sixth Bulldog touchdown.

Simms lost the ball on downs. George Curry hit Noah Laws with a pass good for a 42-yard touchdown run leaving the score 46-0 at the end of the half.

SIMMS controlled the ball for five minutes as the third quarter opened, losing it on downs. Then George Curry made three straight gains and Clarence Curry ran nine yards for a touchdown.

The kickoff was fumbled and recovered by the Bulldogs on the Simms 17 yard line and John Laws ran for another TD.

The Douglas second string came on as the fourth quarter opened. Leroy Woodson intercepted a Simms pass on the latter's 45 and ran back to the 26. Following successive gains Butch Curry plunged two yards for the 10th Douglas touchdown.

Roberts blocked another Simms kick and Newman recovered on the Simms 34. In two plays David Burns ran three yards up the middle and 84 yards for another TD.

A BULLDOG penalty gave Simms its first firstdown of the game. But Simms had to give up the ball deep in Bulldog territory for the first time. Then Douglas put on its longest drive of the year in four plays. Coach Barksdale put the first team back in. John Laws ran 27 yards around right end, Butch Curry raced 19 yards off left guard and Stanley Long picked up 12 yards off right tacke. John Laws ran off left tackle 21 yards for another touchdown.

Louis Laws, Charles Harris, Robert Long, Joseph Jackson and Eugene Poston were mainstays of the defense for Douglas and center Richard Harris helped the offense with blocking.

Douglas Wrecks Manassas 46-13

11-6-61

According to most of the experts, Douglas went into Saturday afternoon's game against visiting Manassas just about even.

Two major factors were working against the Bulldogs; the biggest win of several seasons in the week before's 8-0 decision over Cardoza and the unbeaten record of the visitors.

Any signs of swelled heads disappeared in a rush, however, as the Bulldogs added Manassas' scalp to the long best with a 46-14 win.

IF THERE WAS any question of Douglas' rating in the state as the top Group III school, there certainly aren't any now. Manassas is a Group I school, as are Cardoza and Burley (the Charlottesville school which opened the season with a win over Douglas). That means that the Bulldogs have a 2-1 record against foes in a league two places above them, and the loss would have been a different story if Douglas had waited a week or two before playing the game.

Saturday was Homecoming for the Bulldogs, and the only thing which went wrong was the ending of Noah Laws' string of touchdowns from scrimmage. But the sophomore added a TD on a pass interception to run his total for the year to 14, two more than he made as a freshman, and he has Johnson Williams of Berryville left on the schedule. That could mean another two or three TDs, because the Bulldogs defeated that same school by a 91-0 margin earlier in the year.

IN THEIR OWN league, the Bulldogs have never scored less than 10 touchdowns a game against any opponent. In Group II, competition, the Bulldogs own a 41-0 win over Pomonkey of Indian Head. And in Group I action, Douglas holds a 54-26 edge in points.

For the season, Douglas is 6-1. In 1960, the Bulldogs had a 7-1 record with 326 points as compared to 62 by their opponents, most of them in a 31-2 loss to Cardoza.) This year, the Bulldogs have rolled up 360 points and allowed only 26. That's an average of 51 points a game, and it ought'n't to drop any against Johnson-Williams on the 18th of this month when the schedule runs out.

IN SATURDAY'S touchdown department, the Bulldogs scored a lone TD in the first period for seven points and then added 13 points in each of the remaining quarters.

John Laws finished a 41-yard drive with a nine-yard plunge to start the march, but the Bulldogs had been stopped on the Manassas one-foot line on their first drive.

THE SECOND TD was a 36-yarder on an interception by Noah Laws, and the third was a 31-yarder on an interception by Joe Jackson.

In the second half, John Laws continued the scoring with a 16 yard sprint on the end of a 77-yard march, most of it covered by the same back on a 48-yard dash.

BUTCH CURRY covered 2 yards for the fifth TD to end a 35-yard drive; Herman Grimes blocked a punt and Butch fell on it in the end zone for the sixth TC; and Stanley Long went six yard on the end of a 56-yard march to finish the scoring.

Quarterback George Curry passed for two extra points to Noah and John, and the other two were made by John on a run and Butch on a run.

HERMAN LEWIS scored both TDs for the visitors, one on a 65-yard pass play and the other on a five-yard pass. Except for the big right end, Manassas would have suffered a shutout, and both of his TDs were connections over Noah Laws' position. Usually, Noah is the best defensive back of the lot, but he had his troubles this time around.

First downs were 10-4 in favor of Douglas, while the Bulldogs rushed for 293 yards as compared to 38, and they hit on 7-for-10 passes for another 101 yards as compared to 6-for-17 for 133 yards. The penalties were nearly even with 10 yards more for the visitors on a 75-65 edge. But Douglas was penalized only five times as compared to nine.

John Laws was the individual ground gainer with 127 yards.

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Fight Slows Douglas At Johnson-Williams

Bulldogs Score 33 Pts. As Game Halts Early

By CHARLIE TAIT

Douglas High scored the first technical knockout of its career on Saturday afternoon, when Referee Ken Cammer called a halt to the uneven fight in the third round.

Bending under a barrage of long runs and shots to the middle, host Johnson - Williams of Berryville returned to the gridiron after intermission on the short end of a 33-0 score. And the players weren't happy about it, as almost immediate actions proved.

FOUR PLAYS FROM the kickoff, Johnson - Williams tacklers grabbed a Douglas runner and wouldn't let go when the play was called dead. That bit of foolishness ignited the fuse which began glowing a few weeks ago at Douglas when the Bulldogs won 91-0 over J-W.

The burning fuse may have six weeks to reach the bomb but the explosion was atomic, and absolutely uncalled for on the part of J-W.

TWENTY-TWO PLAYERS were standing knee deep around each other, swinging boards and fists with resounding cracks within moments of the violation, and it took nearly 10 minutes to get the riot quieted.

The uneven score and the fact that neithter side could have fielded a team if the 22 were thrown out influenced Referee Cammer's decision to stop the game. In a statement to this writer, Cammer declared that he would have had no choice but to evict all players, because all of them were in on the fighting.

UNFORTUNATELY, someone from the hosts had provided a well-stocked supply of boards along the sideline, and most of them were soon splintered across helmets and shoulder pads of Douglas players, until they took them away.

No injuries were reported, and the explosion may have cleared the air for the two teams to resume relations next season. Johnson-Williams Principal Raymond Radcliffe agreed with Referee Cammer and the other officials, Ron Smith and Ray Chapman, that it was best to halt the action before someone was hurt. The coaches and players of both squads were willing to finish the game.

UNOFFICIALLY, the game was not completed, so the second half score probably could be called equal to the first by those looking for a point spread.

In running up its 33-0 margin by intermission, Douglas called on John Laws for a trio of touchdowns and Noah Laws and Eugene Polston for one apiece. John Laws, Clarence Curry and Stanley Long accounted for the three extra points with runs.

THE SCORING PLAYS for John came on a variety of distances. He went in from the three on a plunge and then shook loose for gallops of 34 and 74 yards, the latter on a punt return. Noah went in from the 10 on a pass from Curry; and Polston pulled out of his guard position to go 15 yards for the other TD.

After averaging 51 points a game the rest of the season, once-beaten Douglas fell one half game short of scoring 400-plus points and settled for 393 as the year came to an end Saturday. A second half against Johnson-Williams probably would have been enough to push the Bulldogs over the 440 mark, but that's speculation.

SOME OF THE THINGS which aren't speculation are:

Douglas finished the season with 393 points and allowed only 26.

Douglas had seven wins and one loss (opening night to Burley).

John and Noah Laws broke school records with 16 touchdowns each, and the 393 was a school record. And 32 TDs for two brothers makes an unbeatable mark.

THE REST OF THE individual statistics will be included in an area roundup this week.

As for Saturday's half game, the Bulldogs made 166 yards on the ground but only 10 in the air. They drew 15 yards in penalties and had two first downs. Johnson-Williams had a minus yardage rushing and didn't complete any passes, while having three intercepted. The hosts lost 45 yards on penalities and didn't have a first down anywhere. It wasn't very close.

The motto "In God We Trust" first appeared on United States coins after April 22, 1864. It became the national motto on July 30, 1956.

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Douglas Basketball
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Dec	9	West Luray, Luray, VA	104	28
	20	Criser – Front Royal, VA	56	50
Jan	20	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	50	45
	17	Booker T Washington, Staunton, VA	41	59
	24	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	71	49
	25	Rosenwald – Waynesboro, VA	58	71
	27	Criser – Front Royal, VA	88	63
	31	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	65	52
Feb	3	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	86	32
	7	Rosenwald – Waynesboro, VA	60	61
	21	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	73	46
		DISTRICT TOURNAMENT		
Mar	2	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	68	29
	3	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	68	32
		REGION		
	9	Rosenwald – Waynesboro, VA	54	49
		STATE TOURNAMENT		
	10	Hampton of King William, VA	82	59
	12	Booker T Washington, Staunton, VA (Double Overtime)	45	46

POINTS: Douglas - 1069
Opponents - 771

NINE GAMES SET

Douglas Opens Slim Schedule Tonight

12-8-61

Douglas High School which finds it increasingly tough to schedule teams in football, has found that the road isn't easy in basketball eithter.

As of this date, the Bulldogs have nine games settled and two pending, but Coach Ed Barksdale would rather have 20 definite dates.

His gridiron team was officially awarded the Group III State Championship on Saturday, and his basketball squad shows signs of winning honors, too — if the team plays enough games to qualify for anything and can stay in shape with long periods of illness.

Tonight, the club opens against visiting West Luray (girls game at 7:30) and is home for both remaining dates before the holidays: against Simms on Harrisonburg on the 15th and Criser of Front Royal on the 19th.

After vacation, Douglas is away until February 2, unless the pending dates with Johnson-Williams of Berryville are cleared. That school is to play here on the 19th of January and it entertains the Bulldogs on January 5.

Douglas is at Page Jackson of Charles Town on Jan. 9, at Rosenwald of Waynesboro on Jan. 24, at Criser on the 26th and Simms on the 30, before two home dates against Page Jackson on Feb. 2 and Rosenwald on the 6th.

Out for the team this season will be: John Laws, 5-10½ senior who was third high man last year and is good on fast break and outside corner; Paul Walker, 5-7½, junior (last year of competition) who is a fine playmaker, excellent passer and was fifth in scoring last year; Richard Harris, 6-1 senior who ranked 7th in scoring and is most improved player with outside push shot and good on the boards; Noah Laws, the 6-2½ sophomore who excells at any area of the court including his ability to dunk the ball; Clarence Curry, 6-1 freshman who is coming along nicely after starring with unbeaten JVs.; David Burns, 5-7 sophomore who is just about ready; Louis Long, 5-10½ junior with aggressive actions and another JV star; Eugene Polston, 5-9½ junior who is showing steady improvement on outside shooting; Joseph Schields, 6-1 junior who needs more self-confidence but can handle job well; Robert Newman, 6-1½ junior from Strasburg who is strong on rebounding along with another Strasburg lad, Charles Jackson, a 6-2 junior; Paul Williams, 6-4 junior from Strasburg who hasn't had enough practice but is rebounding well; and Herman Grimes, 6-3½ freshman without much polish but good on rebounds and is coming along in good shape.

Four on the list lettered last season: John and Noah Laws, the sensational football scorers; Richard Harris and Paul Walker.

Add that to the over-six-foot youngsters who are developing fast, and it comes out to what might be an excellent year.

Douglas Rolls Over West Luray 104-28

12-9-61

Douglas High School rolled over West Luray 104-28 in a non-league game here last night to open its basketball season with a decisive win.

It was a case of an experienced Douglas squad that had a light height advantage over a relatively inexperienced visitors' team.

Coach Ed Barksdale shuttled two complete teams in and out, always having a rested squad ready.

NOAH Laws stayed consistent and led Douglas scoring with 26 points. Paul Walker was second with 22 points, folloed by Clarence Curry with 15. Richard Harris followed with 11, John Laws had eight and Robert Newman scored seven. The other six players all scored three or four each giving Douglas 12 men in the scoring column.

The Douglas shooting percentage was 42 per cent.

The outcome was never in doubt. The Bulldogs led 21-4 at the end of the first quarter, 48-8 at the half and 73-16 at the end of the third as Douglas was ahead all the way.

The top man for West Luray was douglas Fry, six feet, two inches, who scored 18 points. Garry Tutt had six and Casper Billings had four for the losers.

Things aren't expected to be as easy for Douglas when it meets Simms of Harrisonburg, considered a strong opponent, in its first league game next Friday.

DOUGLAS which could have a fine club this year, has been faced with a shortage in opposition. No one wanted to play the Bulldogs after being stampeded by them in football, but Coach Barksdale lined up two more clubs yesterday to add four games to his list.

On January 16, Booker T. Washington, the state Group III champions of Staunton, will be here. Douglas returns the compliment on February 13.

On February 19, the Bulldogs travel to Carver of Culpeper, and that school will be here on the 23rd.

Douglas Uses Press To Overhaul Criser

Noah Laws Scores 21 For Locals

12-20-61

Douglas showed its heels to visiting Criser of Front Royal last night, but not before the Front Royal Lancers had a good lead in the opening quarter.

At the end, it was a 56-50 game, but Coach Ed Barksdale has hopes of improving the margin when the two schools collide at Front Royal on the 26th of January. He sent his quint into a 1-3-1 defense for the opening period and into a 2-1-2 in the third, and both were unable to cope with Criser's offense.

During the second and fourth quarter, the Bulldogs were using a full-court press to great advantage and had the bench strength to run as long as they felt it was working.

Behind 18-12 at the end of the first period, the Bulldogs sent Noah and John Laws into action and the lead changed hands to 31-30 at intermission. In the third period, the Bulldogs went behind again by one point, entering the final quarter on the short end of a 40-39 score.

That brought on the second attempt at the full-court press and the end of Criser by a 17-10 margin.

Noah Laws scored 21 points to maintain his big pace, as he hit seven times from the floor and 7-for-9 from the free line. John hit four goals and 2-for-3 for 10 points. High for the visitors were: Enoch Love with 13, Irvin Ford with 11 and Larry Gaskins with 10.

Love had six goals, Ford had four and Gaskins picked up five, but they didn't have as many scorers behind them as Douglas. Clarence Curry and Richard Harris came on strong for the Bulldogs with six points each and the rebounds which were necessary, while Louis Long had five points and Robert Newman and Paul Walker (starter) had four points each. Clarence Williams had eight for the visitors and Willard Smith had six, but there was only one man behind them with two points, Sylvester Jackson.

In the field goal department, the Bulldogs were tied at 22-22, but Douglas scored 67 per cent of its free shots with 12-for-19, as compared to only 6-for-21 by the Lancers. That was the game

Douglas, figured to be the runaway winner of Grooup III, found that Criser could be tough, and it was a nine-point stretch in the fourth period which finally turned the tide. During that string, Criser failed to dent the strings.

Next on tap for Douglas is a scheduled game at Berryville on Jan. 5 against Johnson-Williams, also an unbeaten club this year.

BALANCED ATTACK

Bulldogs Win 50-45 Over Page-Jackson

1-10-62

With a well-balanced attack, Douglas was able to play it close to the vest last night in winning 50-45 at Page Jackson of Charles Town.

Behind 13-8 after one period and 22-21 at intermission, the Winchester Bulldogs managed a 34-34 deadlock at the end of three quarters and then opened up to win going away.

The juniors won their third in a row, as did the varsity, but the 39-14 score was more convincing, with Norman Blowe getting 14 points and Franklin Washington picking up 12.

The balance on the big team came from four shooters and a playmaker, Paul Walker. Clarence Curry hit four goals as did Lewis Long, while Robert Newman and John Laws had five goals each. Curry led the parade with 12 points, Newman had 11 and the other pair settled for 10 each. Walker had five points, but his value in setting up the plays was much more.

As for rebounds, Newman's 6-1, 198-pound frame was too much for the host club to fool with, and the junior controlled the boards. The lone man to cause much trouble was 6-1 Vinnie Twyman with seven goals and 3-for-5 for a night-high production of 17 points. Edward Dozier, Theodore Taylor and Charles Newman had eight points each.

Dead ahead of the Bulldogs is a Tuesday date here against state champ Booker T. Washington of Staunton with the JVs opening the evening at 7:30. To defet the Staunton club, Douglas will have to improve on its 35 per cent shooting average of last night, and it will have to improve the 50 per cent from the free line, too.

Overall last night, Douglas hit 21 field goals to 17 but lost ground at the free line with 8-for-16 as compared to 11-for-17.

59-41 HERE

Booker T. Washington Snaps Douglas Streak

1-17-61

With only three games under their belts (all wins) the Bulldogs of Douglas were no match in the second half of last night's game here against Booker T. Washington and lost 59-41.

The Staunton Group III State Champs held a 23-21 advantage after the opening half and began to draw away in the second when Coach Ed Barksdale's lads ran out of gas. They had to give away too much height and experience to the club which defeated them by four points in last year's semi-final round in state action.

For Booker T. Washington, the win was the ninth in a row against no defeats, but Winchester will have another crack at the Staunton club later in the year, although it's going to be on a smaller court and that's more trouble.

NO DEFENSE WORKS

As it was last night, the Bulldogs used every defense in the book without success against James Robertson, Robert Ellis and Lewis Venable. They scored 21, 13 and 9 points, respectively, with Robertson pumping in nine goals and Ellis getting six.

Noah Laws was back in harness for the Bulldogs, and it was his 13-point effort in the opening half which kept Douglas in contention. After that, the visitors pulled the strings tight around the football all-star (holding him to two points) and his mates failed to go for their own shots. If they had moved in for buckets instead of passing off to the tightly guarded center, the margin would have been reduced and it would have made Staunton pull some of the pressure off Laws.

John Laws was the second man in the scoring coolumn as he tied Clarence Curry with four goals and no free shots for eight points each. The rebounding was taken care of by Staunton most of the night, but Robert Newman and Noah Laws upheld the Douglas end well. They had the most trouble battling back the taller men under the boards who were making taps on both sides of the bucket.

Lack of games showed up too well. Noah, who has been out for one game of the three, missed 19 times from the floor and then failed on five of his six free shots. The entire team made only one point from the free line out of 10 attempts and shot too low a percentage from the floor to threaten Staunton. When the two teams meet again, Booker T. Washington will be heavily favored by playing on its own court, but the Bulldogs are going to give a better account of themselves.

Douglas is idle the rest of the week, but next week is busy. On Tuesday, Johnson Williams of Berryville is here. On Wednesday, the Bulldogs are at Rosenwald and at Criser on Friday. By the end of those three games, the Winchester boys ought to be back in the shape which nearly carried them to the title last year.

JV'S WIN 34-16

If they're not, there are some fine boys down on the unbeaten junior varsity which polished off Staunton 34-16 last night with Joseph Jackson getting 13 and Norman Blowe adding eight.

The difference in field goals last night for the varsity game was 26-20, and the visitors had an edg of 7-1 in free shooting with eight misses to nine.

At least the handwriting is on the wall for one thing at Staunton, the Bulldogs will press all the way, probably.

Over Johnson-Williams

Bulldogs Win

1-24-61

A full-court press for the entire game spelled the difference at Douglas last night as the Bulldogs stopped Johnson-Williams of Berryville 71-49 in a thriller.

Despite the final margin, it was one of those good games with considerable talent on both benches. William Briscoe had 19 points on seven goals and 4-for-4, and Willis Brown had 10 points on five goals to pace the visitors, but they played second fiddle to a trio of Douglas sharpshooters. With the press working well, Douglas gained possession much better than before, and then Coach Ed Barksdale pulled a switch in his offensive line-up.

He shifted center Noah Laws to the outside and pulled Clarence Curry into the middle. That left the Berryville club watching Laws and the way was open up the center for Curry. When J-W went after him, Laws hit from one side and Robert Newman sank them from the other end.

With all of that, Johnson-Williams actaully failed to keep the score close by missing at the free line. With 25 shots, the visitors hit only seven times as compared to 15-for-20 by Douglas. With a lot of those misses being the first of a one-on-one situation, the score could have read real close.

At the end, Noah Laws had racked up 26 points on 10 goals and 6-for-7; Paul Walker had 14 points with just three goals and 7-for-8; Curry had 12 points on six goals; and Newman had eight points on three and 2-for-4.

Douglas outshot the Berryville lads 28 goals to 21 and had a 15-7 edge at the free line.

Tonight, Douglas is at Waynesboro to try and run its record to 5-1 for the season. On Friday the Bulldogs go to Criser. Tonight's action is varsity, only. Lat night, the Douglas JV's hung on for a squeaky 21-20 victory.

Bulldogs Jolt Criser 88-63

1-27-61

Douglas opened up all the stops at Criser High of Front Royal last night for a twinvill victory, the varsity winning 88-63 after the JV's had taken a 38-24 win for six in a row.

The Bulldogs rule the roost in Group III's District 3 with an unbeaten status, but Johnson-Williams of Berryville is only a game off the pace. The one loss was to Douglas.

Douglas ruled the backboards last night, too, with Robert Newman, Louis Long, Noah and John Laws clearing everything. In addition to that, low scoring Paul Walker put on a Bob Cousey show for the fans as he fed Noah Laws for many of his 34 points.

13 FIELD GOALS

In that 34-point production were 13 field goals and 8-for-10 from the free line, but one shot drew so much excitement from the crowd that the game had to stop a moment to get straightened out. It was another of the Noah "dunk" shots after a lightning steal. When the tall lad slams the ball down through the cords, the Douglas fans have somthing to cheer about and they will have him back for two more seasons, if his elbows aren't broken on the rims.

Clarence Curry, who stands a hefty 215, is just a freshman and he scored 12 points last night, about his average per game for the season. The other high man was senior John Laws with 14 points as he showed more of the skill which put him right up beside Noah in pre-season predictions.

SLOW START

Noah couldn't crak the cords in the opening period last night as Criser went in front 16-12, but he hit five times in the second, six times in the third and finished with two in the fourth quarter as he spent much of the time on the bench.

For the hosts, Larry Gaskins came through with a good second half and had a total of 19 points. Irvin Ford had 14; Enoch Love had 11; and Willard Smith had 10 to give the host quint four men in double fighres.

GREAT REBOUNDING

But that wasn't good enough for the better rebounding Bulldogs and the sharpshooting of Noah.

The intermission score was 32-26 as the Bulldogs pulled from four back to six ahead. In the third quarter it broke open with Douglas pulling to a 54-41 margin and then everything was easy as 30 points went in during the final period, even though the starters played little.

After hitting only 35 cper cent from the floor in the first half, the Bulldogs came through with a final 46 per cent on the strength of 52 per cent shooting in the final half.

Douglas scored 36 field goals to 25 and made 16-for-25 at the free line as compared to 13-for-23.

Criser is the third place club in the league, followed by Harrisonburg and Luray.

Rosenwald Wins 71-58 With Whistle Problems For Douglas' Bulldogs

1-25-62

Rosenwald High scored enough points from the free line in the second half last night at Waynesboro to knock visiting Douglas down to the tune of 71-58, but Coach Ed Barksdale and his lads want another crack at this club.

They'll get it on February 6 when Rosenwald plays here, and you can put your blue chips on the Bulldogs' noses.

Going with the zone defense on the narrow, slippery court, Douglas found itself on the short end of a hair-raising 11-0 score moments after the opening whistle. And then it became a game as the Bulldogs, led by Noah Laws, pounded back to within three points with only 2:48 left in the game.

TOO MANY WHISTLES

At that point, the Bulldogs were in a man-for-man and blocking shots with real skill, but the officials didn't see the defensive moves the same way and the whistle broke the game apart.

The rapidity of the whistle blowing didn't go unnoticed by Coach Barksdale who drew a technical for questioning the officials, but it's tough on a coach to sit by while his best defense is spoiled. Generally, this is one coach who is furthest from the arguing point, but last night was the exception.

From a sharpshooting standpoint, Noah Laws gave the Bulldog fans something to root about as he sank 12 goals, added 8-for-10 from the free line and finished with 32 points. John Laws had 13 points on six goals and Clarence Curry finished with eight.

FOUR IN DOUBLES

But the host club had four boys in double figures and all of them are gifted shooters as the 8-0 Rosenwald record would indicate. Frank Harris was the top gunner with 10 and 2-for-3 for 22 points, but only a couple back was William Need with eight and 4-for-5. Howard Flipping had 10 points and Edward Dean had 13.

By the time Douglas solved the court problems, and began to narrow the lad, it became quite a ballgame. When it approached the 3-point margin late in the final period, Rosenwald fans began to take a closer look at the upstarts from Winchester who were threatening the unbeaten string of their club.

And they are welcome to take a closer look come Feb. 6.

Tomorrow night, Douglas is at Criser for a twinbill with the JV game at 7:30.

Douglas Rips Simms 65-52

Bulldogs Fall Off The Pace

1-31-62

Douglas opened up a 41-25 halftime margin against Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg last night and then floundered to a 65-52 league win here.

The Bulldog JVs had matters better in hand with a 46-18 win over Simms for number six along an unbeaten trail.

In the varsity game, Noah Laws had 22 points, but he missed 19 of his 30 field goals and wasn't up to scratch in that department. He missed his only two chances from the free line, but finished high man for the night over James Madden of the visitors who had nine goals and 1-for-1 for 19 points. Victor Burke and Donald Burgess added 11 points each to the Simms attack.

GREAT START

In the first half, Douglas shot 46.3 from the floor and then dropped to only 20 per cent in the next two periods. By periods, the score read: 20-7, 2-18, 12-9 and 12-18.

Behind Noah came John Laws with six oals and no chances from the free line for 12 points. Clarence Curry had 11 points and Paul Walker had eight as the winners ended with 30-for-86 from the floor and 5-for-12 from the free line. Simms had 22 field goals and 6-for-17.

5-0 FOR SEASON

This league victory put the Bulldogs at the 5-0 level for the year with a 6-2 overall record and set the stage for an easy one on Friday against Page-Jackson of Charles Town. The West Virginians will bring many fans and the crowd could pack the gym beginning with the 7:30 prelim for the junior varsity clubs.

Rebounding last night was a cinch. The Bulldogs took care of both boards against the smaller club and would have rung up many more points if the shooting hadn't fallen so low in that second half. As it was, Douglas hit only 11 goals in 45 shots, and not too many of them were the tap-in type which add to the total shots but not to the score.

Douglas Romps 86-32

Noah Laws Outscores Page-Jackson 38-32

2-3-62

As predicted, Douglas had little trouble with Page-Jackson last night as the final score read 86-32 with 38 points from Noah Laws.

But the first quarter count of 14-9 gave no indication of how far the margin would mount, mostly because Noah had no goals and only two in the second quarter along with a free shot.

By the time he warmed up, the doors to the Douglas gym could well have been closed as far as the West Virginians were concerned. In the third period, Noah scored seven goals and duplicated the performance in the final stanza. From the free line, he hit 6-for-10.

The Bulldogs marched to an intermission lead of 33-14 on six baskets by Paul Walker, four by Clarence Curry, two by John Laws and one by Howard Polston. Only Noah had more than two in the entire second half as the picture changed from teamwork to individual heroics by the sophomore sensation.

17 FOR WALKER

Walker finished with 17 points to 12 by Curry, while John Laws had nine and a good passing game along with an entire team effort on rebounding and ball handling.

Douglas had only 14 cracks from the gift line and made good on 10 shots, but the visitors had 22 chances and made 10, too. The field goals were more than uneven with a 38-11 margin for Douglas.

Vonzell Twyman of Page-Jackson had a good night with 16 points, getting 6-for-11 from the foul line along with his five goals, but he was keeping lonesome company as the next lad was back at the five-pont level.

Rosenwald High will be here on the 6th and it's going to be a lot rougher for the Bulldogs who owe that club a defeat. They can do it at Douglas if Noah and Mates are as hot as they were last night.

2nd Half Rally

Bulldogs End Season With 7-0 Loop Mark

2-27-62

Host Lucy Simms High of Harrisonburg was the seventh straight league victim of unbeaten Douglas of Winchester in a 73-46 decision last night to wind up the Bulldogs' schedule.

Overall, the Bulldogs rolled to a 10-4 season, but they couldn't be defeaged in District 3 action. Dexpite a report to the contrary in another newspaper in this area, all of the Douglas players have been eligible this season and are the champions.

Unfortunately, a statement was issued concerning forefeit games by Douglas, but the Bulldogs are as clean as their record in the league and Ed Barksdlae has another title for his efforts as head coach of the Winchester school.

47 POINT RALLY

Although the first half margin for Douglas was a mere 26-23 the Bulldogs roared back with 47 points in the second half on quarters of 22 and 25 and won going away.

John Laws was the big gun with nine goals in 18 attempts from the floor and added a couple of free shots for 20 points. Noah Laws had eight goals and two free shots for 18 points, while Clarence Curry pumped in seven and two for 16 points.

With Paul Walker scoring seven points and setting up the plays and Lewis Long grabbing the rebounds and setting up the screen, Douglas showed too much power for Simms once it learned the court.

Over on the host side, Donald Burgess shot seven goals and added four fee shots for 18 points, one ahead of the total of James Madden who had eight goals.

11-FOR-12 EFFORT

With Douglas on the rampage in the second half, Simms had no defense against the sharpshooters in that final period when the Bulldogs missed only one of 12 shots from the floor.

In the early game, the Douglas JV's made Simms the eighth victim in a row against one loss and showed the home fans that the Bulldogs have something going for the future. Even with a good JV team, the Bulldogs aren't particularly concerned with next season because most of this year's squad will be back for more of the same.

The District 3, Group 3 Tournament is next March 2 and 3 at Criser of Front Royal, the plce where the Bulldogs would most like to win and earn the chance to go to the state playoffs.

Last Friday, the Bulldogs defeated Johnson-Williams at Berryville by a 52-49 margin to set up last night's crack at an unbeaten season.

Spinning Ball Costs Douglas 61-60 Loss

Shot by Laws Sinks and Then Falls Outside

2-7-62

Douglas had its chance for a revenge win against Rosenwald of Waynesboro last night, but the Bulldogs watched a victory sail out the window when Noah Laws' lay-up spun the rim, dipped into the basket and then rolled back to the edge and down to the floor.

The buzzer had already sounded when the crazy gyrations of the ball were in progress, and Douglas was left holding the bag to the tune of 61-60. A heavy winner at Waynesboro earlier in the season, Rosenwald was figured to have a tough time on the Douglas court — and it surely did.

WELL-INTENTIONED

The last moment play was a well-designed pass from the side with Noah taking the ball much in the manner of a tap and sending it against the backboard with a bit too much English. It didn't look that way as the ball started down through the hoop, but it must have been.

As it was, Noah didn't have a good night and took quite a rest in the middle section of the game to find his problems. He came up with two fourth period goals and a couple of free points for six of his 10, a figure much lower than his average which is up in the 20's.

Paul Walker came through with 18 points on nine goals; John Laws had 13 on five goals; and Clarence Curry tied Noah Laws, although outscoring him from the floor, four goals to three.

HARRIS HAS 21

Most of the trouble was located in forward. Franklin Harris and his 21-point production on 10 goals. After that, Harry Flipping and Edgar Dean had 11 points each and Harry Caldwell finished with 10 to give each side four lads in double figures.

By quarters, the Bulldogs led 17-10, were behind 33-31 after a ppor second period, and down 49-48 after three. Each team scored 12 points in the final period.

Rosenwald held a 27-25 edge in field goal shooting, but the Bulldogs made up most of that with a 10-7 edge in free shots. The only trouble was percentage. The Bulldogs hit 10 but they missed 11, while the winners had better than .500 with 7-for-13.

On Friday night, the Bulldogs have an easier time in store with a doubleheader at Harrisonburg against Lucy Simms. The JV's open the evening at 7:30.

NOAH LAWS STARS

Douglas Wins District Title

3-5-62

Douglas High proved the master of District 3 on Saturday at Criser High of Front Royal with two lopsided wins and a ticket to the State Group III quarter finals at Hampton.

Early in the afternoon, the Bulldogs stoned Lucy Simms out of action to the tune of 68-29 and advanced to the finals against Johnson-Williams of Berryville.

The Berryville crew moved to the finals with a 41-39 victory over host Criser, but the hard-earned win cost Johnson-Williams.

By time for the last game, J-W was out of gas and too jittery to give the Bulldogs a run for the title, losing 68-32.

BEHIND ONLY ONCE

After Simms scored the opening goal, Douglas was never behind the rest of the day, leading that school 24-11 at halftime and being ahead of J-W 32-8 at intermission.

Big man for the tourney (as well as the season) was John Laws with 19 points and 13 rebounds in the opener and 23 points and 14 rebounds in the nightcap. He blocked seven shots in the first and six more in the second, a remarkable performance and enough to cause several visiting coaches to ask Coach Ed Barksdale where Laws was going to college next year. To that, Coach Barksdale replied, "I expect he's coming back to Douglas to finish his junior and senior years first."

John Laws hit for 13 points in the opener and then added 15 against J-W for second place honors, but Louis Long came through with 11 points in the first game to surprise his fans. Clarence Curry was the third man in the second game with 14 points, but no one was near the 20-goal total of Noach.

As for Johnson-Williams, it was just a bad night. The boys were trying too hard and missed nine straight times to open the game. That put matters on ice for Douglas and J-W spent the rest of the evening in a futile chase. If J-W had hit well early, it could have been a much closer game, but going on offense with a 10-point deficit was asking too much.

William Briscoe had nine points followed by Abner Cary with seven, James Mosee with six, William Brown with five, and Wilbur Jackson with four. They weren't up to the tough battle they gave Douglas during the regular season at Berryville, and not as good as in the other loss to the Bulldogs at Dougoas.

With Clarence Curry backing up Noah on the rebounds and Paul Walker and John Laws teadling the ball and working well out front, it was the best team effort by Douglas and one they will need at Hampton. Paul Williams came on as a sub for Noah when he rode the bench for the third period with three personals and showed that he will make the first team next season. Another good performance was turned in by John Newman, making it a complete victory for Douglas.

The next two days will be spent in practice against Johnson-Williams because the Bulldogs leave for Hampton on Wednesday and have need of sharpening up. It's really good sportsmanship when a losing team keeps its uniforms out of moth balls long enough to put a wimner in better shape for the state test. In fact, there is nothing mor hopeless than practice sessions after the season is over, But J-W is willing to help the local cause.

The weekend tourney was the seventh victory in eight years for Douglas which lost once on an ineligibility ruling. This year, the Bulldogs had a 9-0 record in league play and 14-4 overall.

May Go to Finals

Douglas Advances In Group Tourney

3-9-62

Douglas walked into the heart of the floodland of Virginia yesterday and came out of its first 1962 tournament game with an impressive 54-49 win over Rosenwald of Waynesboro, the school which had trimmed the Bulldogs twice during regular season action.

Although Hampton Institute,site of the Group I, II & III Negro tournaments, wasn't hit as hard as neighboring Norfolk, the high waters kept cars off the streets and was felt in many first floor rooms around the town. It took 14 hours to get a phone call through to The Evening Star.

But the Bulldogs didn't seem to mind the weather outside as they rocked Rosenwald hard after being behind 29-28 at intermission.

Noah Laws had tournament jitters in the first half with five straight misses from the free line, but he came on strong to win shoing honors with 24 points on 10 goals, 4-for-9 free shots, 17 rebounds and eight blocked shots.

Backing up the star of the Bulldogs with his best game of the year was Louis Long with 13 rebounds and 12 points. Paul Walker had 19 points, as the Bulldogs actually won it from the foul line.

In totals, Rosenwald made 22 goals to 21, but it hit only five of 20 free shots as compared to 12-for-24 by Douglas which usually hits in the neighborhood of 70 per cent. The drop to .500 didn't hurt this time, but it could in the next two games.

This evening, Douglas was scheduled to meet Hampton Homes, but that club didn't show up yesterday and may not be eligible for the tournament any longer. In that case, the Bulldogs will have a bye straight to the finals against the winner of the Booker T. Washington and Ralph Bunch game. Washington is the defending state titlist in Group III, and it was scheduled to meet Johnson-Williams of Berryville which didn't make the trip. That gave it a bye to the Bunch battle.

In previous years, Coach Ed Barksdale's lads have been stopped short of the tournament title in III, but this could be the season because of the surprise win over Rosenwald.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Douglas Drops Overtime Duel

12 Mar 62

3-12-62

Douglas, running parallel course with Handley, kied off a couple of fine tein the Hampton Institute Gre III Basketball Tournament, then lost the championship in squeaker to Booker T, Waston Saturday night.

Over at Blacksthe Judges lost the final gao Pulaski for the Group II tiafter being ahead by a poi the final quarter.

It was evecloser at Hampton where thefending champs from Staunhad to go into double overtito avoid a loss to the Winch Bulldogs. The final score wa5-45 after the regulation gaended 40-40. The first overtimended 42-42.

PERFORMANCE

It the highest state rating eve corded by a Douglas team, as he case with Handley, so w ester came out of the state p ffs with two local records. y may not have won the titles, the Bulldogs and Judges left mark to shoot for next season. One of the lads who will be back to shoot for the championship at Douglas is Noah Laws, an all-tournament unanimous choice. He picked up 73 points in three games and finished with 29 of them in Saturday's finale.

Big Noah has two seasons left with the Bulldogs and he could be a holder of the state scoring title if Douglas played enough games. Because of area limitations, Douglas has a shortened schedule. The teams it would like to play are too far away.

ONE BIG UPSET

One of those clubs was played twice this year in regular competition, however, and Douglas found itself on the losing side both times. That team was Rosenwald, the club which the Bulldogs ousted on the way to Booker T. Washington.

In running his three-game total to 73, Noah had 24 points in the opener, then 20 in the semi-final and finished with 12 field goals and 5-for-8 at the free line. He controlled the middle, blocked more shots than anyone and was the outstanding tournament player.

Going for the rebounds with Noah were Louis Long and Clarence Curry, while Paul Walker quarterbacked such a fine game that he was picked to the starting five along with Noah when it fame time for the all-star selections. At the earlier stages of the season, such a brilliant finish seemed out of the question for Walker, but he came through when it counted.

STANDING OVATION

In fact, Noah and Paul performed so well (as did their teammates) that the huge crowd of 3,000 gave the Bulldogs a standing ovation at the end of the tournament. Booker T. Washington had gone into the game as a strong choice, but it came out short of breath and almost short of the title.

The final 40 seconds nearly did the damage as Douglas had the ball and a 40-38 lead. The Bulldogs lost possession in back court and James Robinson went in for a lay-up which knotted the count. That left 10 seconds on the clock, enough time for Noah to get into position for a shot, but he could have drawn a foul by sticking to the middle. Instead, he pivoted to the side away from the same Robinson and his shot dropped in and then out of the basket as the buzzer sounded.

MUCH TOO CLOSE

In the first overtime, each team picked up a goal, and then came the decider with an advantage of two goals to a goal and a free shot going to Washington.

After the third period, Noah had nine of the 10 Douglas points and finished 22 points ahead of second high man John Laws. The eventual winners had 13 points from Robinson, 17 from Lewis Venaoble and 14 from Robert Ellis.

By periods, the score for Douglas read: 9-11, 22-25, 35-35, 40-40, 42-42 and 45-46, but the Bulldogs were ahead in both the third and fourth quarters for awhile.

Douglas Jumps to State Finals

Bulldogs Rip Hamilton With Furious Assault

3-10-62

After running into some rough snags yesterday, Douglas High of Winchester tore Hamilton High of King William apart by a margin of 82-59 and moved into the state championship round against Booker T. Washington of Staunton.

The Group III Turnament being held at Hampton Institute will end with the Douglas - Washington game at 6 p.m., but the Group I and II finals follow.

The Winchester Bulldogs climbed past rugged Rosenwald in the quarter-final round after losing twice to the same club during the regular season in inter - league competition. Then it appeared that Douglas would have a bye into the finals when Hamilton Homes didn't show up for its first game.

BYE FOR HAMILTON

As it turned out, Hamilton didn't have to play because its opponent wasn't there and it received a bye.

The Bulldogs were just finishing lunch when the call came in from the gym that they had five minutes to dress and be on the court. That took some hustling, and there wasn't time for any warmup before the game, but the Bulldogs didn't appear bothered.

The first five men on the court started, and from that point until the final score it was a walkaway for Douglas.

In the other semi-final game, Booker T. Washington overwhelmed Ralph Bunch 62-41 to earn its place in the finals.

NOAH IS HIGH

For Douglas, Noah Laws fouled out early in the final period but managed to hit 20 points with nine goals and a couple of free shots before departing. John Laws had eight goals and 16 point; Paul Walker had eight goals and 17 points; Clarence Curry had six and 14 points; Paul Williams, who fouled out midway through the fourth, had seven points; Robert Newman had four and David Burns and Louis Long had a couple of points each.

The totals showed Douglas in front with 37 field goals to only 20, but the free line hurt the Bulldogs where they hit 8-for-20 as compared to 19-for-39. Hamilton had all its players eligible at the end, but the Bulldogs lost three, including Long who went out with four minutes left to join Noah Laws and Williams

As it is right now, the only thing standing between Booker T. Washington and the state title is Douglas, and the Bulldogs hope that the step is too big for the defending titlists.

1962 – 1963

1962 Football

Douglas enjoyed another good season going 6-2. Their only losses were by 6 points to Cardoza and by 7 points to Carver of Culpeper.

1962-1963 Basketball

The Bulldogs went 13-2 this season winning their third District 3 Championship and their eighth out of the last nine seasons. Douglas lost to Rosenwald of Waynesboro in the State tournament.

Team members: Noah Laws, Charles Jackson, Paul Williams, Norman Blowe, Clarence Curry, Louis Long, and Herman Grimes.

Leading scorer: Noah Laws 13 games 289 points 22.2% average

1962
Douglas Football
6 – 2

			D	O
Sept	15	Burley - Charlottesville, VA	7	6
	22	Pomonkey – Indian Head, MD	20	12
	29	Carver – Culpeper, VA	13	12
Oct	8	Johnson Williams - Berryville, VA	28	6
	15	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	(Won by forfeit)	
	27	Cardoza – Washington, DC	12	18
Nov	12	Carver – Culpeper, VA	7	14
		Jeanne Dean – Manassas, VA	(Won - not in paper)	

POINTS: Douglas - 87
Opponents - 68

Douglas Edges Burley 7-6 In Opener

9-15-62

The Douglas Bulldogs opened their 1962 football season with a 7-6 win over Burley of Charlottesville at the latter's field yesterday.

Douglas scored in the second quarter. Clarence Curry, left end, block a pass and Robert Long, middle guard, caught it in mid-air and ran 55 yards for a touchdown.

Curry, moving to the fullback spot, ran over left tackle for the extra point.

Burley scord its touchdown on a 35-yard pass in the thid quarter.

Douglas goes to Indianhead, Md. next Friday to play Pomonkey High School, beginning at 3:15 p.m.

Douglas Scores 2nd Win, Defeats Pomonkey, 20-12

9-22-62

INDIAN HEAD, Md. — Douglas High School won its second in a row here Friday night by defeating Pomonkey, 20-12.

The Winchester team won mainly on the arm of Clarence Curry, a converted fullback, who threw three touchdown passes. Curry also added two extra points by bulling over on short runs.

Curry threw 32 yards to Noah Laws in the first quarter for the first Douglas score and gain for 34 yards to Laws later in the period to give the winners their second TD.

The hosts got their touchdown in the first period on a 43 yard scoring toss to Jimmy Washington from quarterback Alfred Jenkins.

Douglas registered its insurance touchdown late in the game on Curry's 21 yard pass to Long. Pomonkey retaliated when Jenkins tossed another aerial score, 22 yards, to Crunk, but the Marylanders couldn't catch up.

The victory gave Douglas a 2-0 record for the season.

Douglas	14	0	0	6	— 20
Pomonkey	6	0	0	6	— 12

Douglas Defeats Culpeper, 13-12 In Final Seconds

9-29-62

CULPEPER — A never-say-die Douglas squad defeated Carver High of Culpeper, 13-12, last night with a spectacular comeback in the final 32 seconds in the game.

With the ball on the Carver 12-yard line, Douglas' Joseph Jackson took the snap from center and began a fake pass before starting a wide sweep around end.

But the entire right side of the Carver line bore in on him, so Jackson lateraled the ball to Clarence Curry, who was trailing.

Curry spotted right end Noah Laws in the clear in the end zone and unloaded a desperation heave toward him. Laws made a diving shoe-string catch to give the Bulldogs their 10th straight win since their opening game defeat of last year.

It was Carver's first loss in nine games. Carver was Group I, Northern District champion last season.

Douglas scored its first touchdown on a hidden-ball pass play from Curry to Louis Lute in the second quarter from the 22-yard oine. Jackson ran off his right tackle for the conversion.

Carver scored its first touchdown early in the third quarter on a 38-yard pass from Halfback Martin to Left End Charles Baumbrey. But Carver failed to plunge for the extra point, even behind its 301-pound center.

Late in the third period Carver scored on the same play from 47 yards out. And the visitors failed to make the extra point on the same maneuver.

The Bulldogs featured new uniforms donated by several of the community's doctors and businessmen.

Douglas travels to Berryville next Saturday to meet Johnson-Williams. The first home game is Oct. 13 against Johnson-Williams.

Douglas Wins 3rd Game, Defeats Johnson-Williams

10-8-62

BERRYVILLE — Douglas High of Winchester gave up a first period touchdown to a vastly improved Johnson-Williams eleven here Saturday, and then came back to score its third win of the season and 11th straight, 28-6.

The combination of quarterback Clarence Curry and halfback Noah Laws proved deadly for Douglas. Curry three times tossed touchdown passes to Laws and Curry scored the fourth himself on an eight yard keeper play in the fourth quarter.

Johnson-Williams scored early in the first quarter as Moss connected with left end David Thomas on a 40-yard pass play which was good for the lone Berryville TD. The rush for the extra point was stopped short.

Douglas matched the touchdown and went ahead minutes into the second period when Curry tossed the first of his aerials to Laws for a score. The play covered 45 yards. Curry's run made the extra point and Douglas led, 7-6.

With 1:45 remaining in the half, Curry again connected with Laws, this time for 15 yards and the second Douglas score. The Bulldogs took a 14-6 halftime advantage after Curry bulled over for the conversion.

21-6 LEAD

Midway through the third period, with the ball on the Douglas 40 yard line, Curry tossed a 60 yard bomb that Laws caught and ran with into the end zone. Joe Jackson's run for PAT gave the visitors a 21-6 lead.

Douglas made its final score of the game with 2:00 remaining when Curry took things into his own hands and romped over from the eight yard line on a keeper play for the TD. Jackson again ran for extra point and Douglas had the game wrapped up.

The line played an important part in the Bulldogs' win. Coach Ed Barksdale cited offensive linemen Bob Long, Herman Grimes, Russll Roberts, Ron Nelson, Andy Roberts and Wayne King for their putstanding play.

In addition, Barksdale credited Johnny Alsberry, Richard Woodson, Charles Finley and Joe Willis for their good showing on defense.

Douglas will play its first home game of the season Saturday at 2 p.m. against this same Johnson-Williams team in Winchester.

CARDOZA WINS 18-12

Douglas Streak Snapped With 4th Quarter Pass

10-27-62

The Douglas High School win streak was snapped yesterday by Cardoza High of Washington, D.C., 18-12, on a pass play in the fourth quarter.

Douglas went into the game at Washington with a 5-0 season record. The Bulldogs had their winning streak snapped at 12.

Cardoza scored first when quarterback Horace Kenner went in on a 15-yard run. The touchdown was set up by a pass interception by Tommie Crump on the Douglas 32-yard line.

Douglas tied it up in the second quarter with an eight-yard run by Noah Laws that capped a 65-yard drive. Cardoza went ahead again on a 30-yard pass from Kenner to end Edward Dutch.

Douglas came back to tie the game again in the third quarter. A nine-yard pass by quarterback Clarence Curry to Noah Laws was good for a touchdown.

Late in the fourth quarter, Cardoza scored the game-winning touchdown on a 23-yard pass from enner to James Hatcher.

All of the extra point attempts by both teams failed.

The wind was a big factor yesterday. Both teams did their scoring with the wind at their backs.

There will be an open date next week. The next Douglas game will be its homecoming Nov. 10. The local squad will meet Carver of Culpeper.

Douglas Again Wins by Forfeit Over Berryville

10-15-62

By PAT JOYCE
Star Sports Editor

A little over two hours of football was wasted here Saturday when, for the second year in a row, Douglas High was awarded a 1-0 victory over Johnson-Williams of Berryville in a bitterly contested grid rivalry.

Douglas was leading, 13-0, early in the fourth quarter when the Johnson - Williams principal, Raymond Ratcliff, pulled the Berryville team from the field in a dispute over a call by officials of the game on a fumble by the Berryville quarterback.

The quarterback had gone back to pass and had his arm cocked to throw when it was hit from behind by a Douglas defender, causing the ball to fall loose. It was recovered by Douglas on the Johnson-Williams 11 yard line.

At this point, the Berryville coach and principal heatedly disputed the call and then decided to call it a day, claiming that Johnson-Williams had been the "victims" of one-sided calls throughout the game.

The teams battled through a scoreless first half, with both playing sloppy football. Douglas lost quarterback Clarence Curry on the second play of the game when Curry suffered what proved to be a shoulder injury.

Douglas scored the first time it got its hands on the ball in the second half, following a blocked Johnson-Williams punt. Douglas moved the ball to the J.-W 15 from where Joe Jackson rammed over for the score. The conversion failed.

The Bulldogs upped the score to 13-0 when Noah Laws climaxed a 44 yard drive by scoring from the five yard line. Laws passed for the conversion.

Minutes later, the disputed call came and Johnson-Williams left the field.

Douglas May Lose Curry For Carver

11-9-62

Douglas High, with Homecoming scheduled for tomorrow, may have to face Carver of Culpeper without the services of quarterback Clarence Curry.

Curry sprained his left ankle earlier this week in practice, and appears lost for Douglas' windup game tomorrow. If he cannot make it, coach Ed Barksdale will shift flanker back Noah Laws to the quarterback slot.

Curry was injured in an earlier game and Laws filled in temporarily, doing a creditable job, but the Bulldogs lose a little punch with Curry out and Laws out of position.

Douglas takes a 5-1 record into the game, compared with the 4-2-1 of Carver.

Barksdale says only "It should be a good game." Obviously the size of the invaders doesn't intimidate the local mentor.

Fullback Joe Jackson will again carry the brunt of the Bulldogs' running attack against a pair of top halfbacks on the Carver squad.

Douglas Suffers 14-7 Homecoming Loss to Carver

11-2-62

Carver of Culpeper scored a touchdown in the last minute of play here Saturday and spoiled Douglas' homecoming with a 14-7 upset of the Bulldogs.

After both teams scored first period TD's, the rest of the game was scoreless until Carver made its bid with 1:00 remaining. Previously, Douglas had twice stopped Carver scoring drives inside its five-yard line.

The win gave Carver a 5-2-1 record. The defeat, Douglas' last game of the short season, was the Bulldogs' second against five wins.

Douglas started the scoring early in the first quarter after driving 60 yards from its own 40 yard line. Lewis Long registered the six points when he took a pass from Noah Laws from the 23-yard line. Joe Jackson rammed over with the extra point.

The 7-0 lead was shortlived, however, as Carver roared back with the equalizer. The visitors also drove 60 yards and climaxed the march when halfback Cecil Butler burst over from the seven. Butler added the extra point.

Carver added the clincher in the last minute when quarterback Charley Johnson threw a desperation pass that Stacy Martin caught on the 25 and ran into the end zone eluding three Bulldog defenders. Butler again ran the extra point — his eigth point of the day.

Douglas was obviously hampered with Laws at quarterback. He was effective enough, but was needed at his normal flanker back position. He was filling in for the injured Clarence Curry. Curry, out with a sprained ankle, saw action on a few plays in the line.

The Bulldogs threatened in the last minute after Carver had taken the lead. Laws passing to Long took the hosts to Carver's 15 yard line before a pass interception stopped the drive.

Simone Toliver was crowned Douglas homecoming queen at halftime by senior footballer Lewis Long.

Barksdale Smiling

Douglas Seen Improving Last Year's 14-5 Record

11-29-62

Smiling Ed Barksdale knows something, but he won't tell anyone. However, when someone who happened to be talking basketball with the Douglas coach pressed him hard enough about the quality of his team, he smiled faintly.

This is an indication, coming from the Bulldog mentor, that Douglas, in the 1962-63 season just might surpass last year's overall record of 14-5.

Douglas has only 14 games on its regular slate this go-round, but more than likely will add several via the post - season tournament route.

Barksdale has a tall squad, headed by the 6-4 Noah Laws. The rest of the team, or at least the starting five, will stand over 6-0.

The starters could be Laws, Clarence Curry (6-1), Louis Long (6-0), Paul Williams (6-4) and Charles Jackson 6-2).

His reserves are led by Norman Blowe, a stocky 5-11 playmaker. In addition, there are 6-3 Herman Grimes, Leroy Woodson 5-8), but a real hustler according to Barksdale, Robert Long (5-10), Richard Woodson (5-9) and Randolph Martin, the shrimp of the crew at 5-6.

DOUGLAS' SCHEDULE

DECEMBER

7—Lucy Sims (Harrisonburg (A)
11—Carver (Culpeper) (H)
14—Criser (Ft. Royal) A)

JANUARY

4—Page-Jackson Chas. Town(H)
5—Carver (Culpeper) (A)
11—Lucy Sims (Harrisonburg H)
17—West Luray (H)
18—Johnson-Williams (A)

FEBRUARY

1—Criser (Ft. Royal). (H)
8—Page-Jackson (Chas.Town)(A)
21—West Luray (A)
25—Johnson-Williams (H)

In addition, two games are to be set with Booker T. Washington of Staunton.

1962 – 1963
Douglas Basketball
13 - 2

			D	O
Dec	8	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	50	44
	15	Criser – Front Royal, VA	88	36
Jan	5	Page Jackson, Charles Town, WV	86	26
	12	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	73	29
	18	West Luray, Luray, VA	122	14
	19	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	51	36
	23	Carver – Culpeper, VA	74	35
Feb	11	Carver – Culpeper, VA	81	51
	16	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	78	44
	19	Booker T Washington – Staunton, VA	53	43
	21	Booker T Washington – Staunton, VA	51	52
	27	Criser – Front Royal, VA	72	25
		DISTRICT TOURNAMENT		
Mar	4	Criser – Front Royal, VA	97	26
	4	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	80	57
		STATE TOURNAMENT		
	8	Rosenwald – Waynesboro, VA	61	68

POINTS: Douglas - 1117
Opponents - 586

88-36 Victory

Douglas Makes It Two In Row With Win Over Criser

12-18-62

Douglas High made it two in a row this season by trouncing Criser High of Front Royal, 88-36, here last night and the result left Bulldog coach Ed Barksdale moaning about the lack of games for his team between now and Jan. 4.

The Bulldogs now boast a 2-0 slate, but have run out of pre-Christmas opposition after finally hitting their stride following a sluggish first game win over Lucy Simms.

Douglas got big point production from its three big men last night, and as is usually the case, Noah Laws led the pack with 27 points.

In the first period, Laws, like the rest of the team, started out cold and the Bulldogs held only a 9-7 first period advantage. Laws and the team got hot in the second period, though, and led at halftime by 33-14.

The margin was upped considerably when the Bulldogs hit the cords for a 32-point third period and ran up a 65-27 three-quarter lead. Around this point, the Bulldog mentor started clearing his bench, as he said, "when I figured each boy had enough points."

By this time, the score was far beyond the reach of the outmanned visitors.

Douglas shot an even 50 per cent from the floor. Curry was runnerup to Laws for high scoring laurels with 19 points, followed closely by Paul Williams with 17. The top Criser pointmaker was Irvin Ford with 11. JOYCE

CRISER

	FG.	FT	T
Richburg	1	3-5	5
L. Gaskins	0	2-2	2
Green	4	1-5	9
G. Gaskins	0	1-4	1
M. Jackson	1	0-1	2
Boyd	1	1-1	3
TOTALS	14	10-22	38

DOUGLAS

	FG	FT	T
Blowe	3	1-6	7
Curry	9	1-2	19
Laws	11	5-11	27
Williams	7	3-8	17
Long	2	3-5	7
C. Jackson	3	0-0	6
Washington	1	3-4	5
Woodson	0	0-0	0
Grimes	0	0-0	0
Thompson	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	36	16-36	88

Criser	7	7	13	11	— 36
Douglas	9	24	32	23	— 88

Douglas Wins Opener, 50-44, At Foul Line

12-8-62

HARRISONBURG — Douglas of Winchester won its opening game of the season here Friday night, defeating Lucy Simms, 50-44 — at the foul line.

The teams battled through four periods on even terms as far as field goals were concerned. The difference was at the free throw stripe where Douglas' 6-for-20 had as it was, bettered the dismal Lucy Simms record of 0-for-13.

Douglas coach Ed Barksdale, after the game, said his team played a listless type of game. Douglas, a heavy favorite, found itself trailing throughout the game well into the third period when the Harrisonburg cagers led 30-23.

Douglas finally grabbed the lead and kept it late in that period, leading by 34-32 after three quarters.

Center Noah Laws and reserve Charles Jackson topped Douglas' scorers with 14 points each, and were joined for top point honors by Lucy Simms' Jim Madden with 14.

Louis Long contributed 12 markers to the winners' cause.

DOUGLAS

	FG	FT	T
Blowe	0	0-0	0
C. Curry	3	0-1	6
Laws	7	0-2	14
Williams	1	2-10	4
Long	5	2-5	12
Jackson	6	2-2	14
TOTALS	22	6-20	50

LUCY SIMMS

	FG	FT	T
Dickson	4	0-4	8
Davis	1	0-2	2
Madden	7	0-5	14
W. CURRY	4	0-0	8
Beale	4	0-1	8
Niver	2	0-1	4
TOTALS	22	0-13	44

Douglas	6	23	15	16	— 50
Lucy Simms	10	14	8	12	— 44

Douglas Breezes By Page-Jackson To 86-26 Victory

1-5-63

Douglas won its third game of the season without a loss last night by overwhelming a hapless Page-Jackson of Charles Town team, 86-26, here.

It was a case of too much height, a superb defense and a shooting eye that wasn't half bad for coach Ed Barksdale's cagers who were sparked by a first-time 21-point performance from Clarence "Butch" Curry.

The shooting eye wasn't "half bad" because the Bulldogs shot a amazing 55.2 per cent from the floor for the game. Curry divided his scoring as even as possible with 10 points in the first half and 11 in the final two periods.

Noah Laws had to settle for runner up honors in the Bulldog scoring column, but still scored his usual 20 points — on the nose.

The real impetus for the Douglas win came from Paul Williams who, in his coach's words, "got us off to a fine start." Williams scored the first eight points for Douglas in its 18-point first quarter.

He cooled off somewhat after that, though, and finished with only 10.

SUBBED FREELY

Barksdale subbed freely after the final outcome became evident, and that was early. Douglas held quarter leads of 18-5, 42-12, 66-17 and ended up 60 points ahead of its West Virginia rivals.

The top Page-Jackson scorer was Veney Twyman who finished with 11, a total not only surpassed by Curry and Laws, but also by the Bulldogs' Charles Jackson who dumped in 12 markers.

Barksdale had a special word of praise for Jackson who, he said, "subbed well."

Douglas completely dominated the backboards, as any team which boasts as its shortest man the 5-10 Norman Blowe. The Bulldogs pulled down 43 rebounds. Louis Long led in this department with 12, followed by Laws and Williams with 10 each.

PAGE-JACKSON

Twyman	4	3-6	11
Clark	2	1-2	5
Newman	1	0-4	4
Taylor	0	1-6	1
Lindsey	2	1-2	5
Walker	0	0-0	0
S. Jones	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	9	8-20	26

DOUGLAS

	FG	FT	T
Curry	10	1-1	21
Blowe	4	0-0	8
Laws	10	0-2	20
Long	4	1-1	9
Jackson	6	0-0	12
Washington	1	0-1	2
Williams	5	0-0	10
Grimes	2	0-0	4
Thompson	0	0-0	0
Jackson	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	42	2-5	86

Page-Jackson	5	7	5	9	— 26
Douglas	18	24	22	22	— 86

Laws, Curry Lead Way

Douglas Scores At Will In 73-29 Romp Over Lucy Simms

1-12-63

By PAT JOYCE
Star Sports Editor

The spectacle of a player dunking the ball in the basket is something the basketball fan doesn't often see. Simply because it takes tremendous agility, coordination and, usually, height.

The last element, height, took a front seat last night as Noah Laws led Douglas High School to an easy, almost ridiculously so, 73-29 victory over Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg.

In the process of scoring 22 points, tops for the Bulldogs of Winchester, Laws rose above the basket to dunk in three field goals — pretty fair for a lad only 6'2½" tall.

The Douglas cagers were never threatened — indeed, it was nothing more than a shooting practice for coach Ed Barksdale's cagers. Douglas poured in 34 fielders — 21 more than the Lucy Simms five — and miss an additional 39 more for a 46.5 shooting percentage for the night.

Douglas had only two good quarters — the first and last — but they were far enough to subdue the visiting team, also known as the Bulldogs. Douglas jumped off to a fast start and for awhile looked as if it wasn't going to permit Lucy Simms on the scoreboard.

FAST START

The winners held leads of as much as 48 points late in the contest before settling down at the end for its 44 point margin. The Bulldogs, winning variety, held a 22-4 first period lead and upped the margin to 35-11 at halftime.

The Barksdale-coached cagers looked a bit lackadaisical in some stages of the second and third periods, particularly the latter, when they scored only 10 points. But a firm finger from the coach set matters straight and Douglas scored field goals at the rate of two a minute for the first five minutes into the fourth period, before Barksdale rested his starters and inserted the scrubs.

LEADERS

Laws led all scorers with 22 points, but was pressed by Clarence Curry who played a "cool" floor game and contributed 20 markers to the winners' cause.

Charles Jackson was the third Douglas scorer to top the high Lucy Simms pointmaker. Jackson bagged 15 points. Jim Madden, with a long one-hander from outside, led the losers with 11 points. He was the only Harrisonburg player in double figures.

The win gave the Bulldogs, Winchester-type, a 5-0 record and left them as odds-on favorites to romp all the way to the district championship.

It was the second defeat for Lucy Simms against two wins. Both defeats have come at the hands of Douglas, the previous one by 50-44 on Dec. 14.

SMALL CROWD

The contest was played before what Barksdale termed "the smallest crowd in quite some time" in the Douglas gymnasium. It was a clean affair, with only 26 shots being attempted from the charity stripe — 16 by the winners and 10 by Lucy Simms.

Both teams were miserable from the foul line. Douglas collected only five of its tries, while the losers sank only three of their 10.

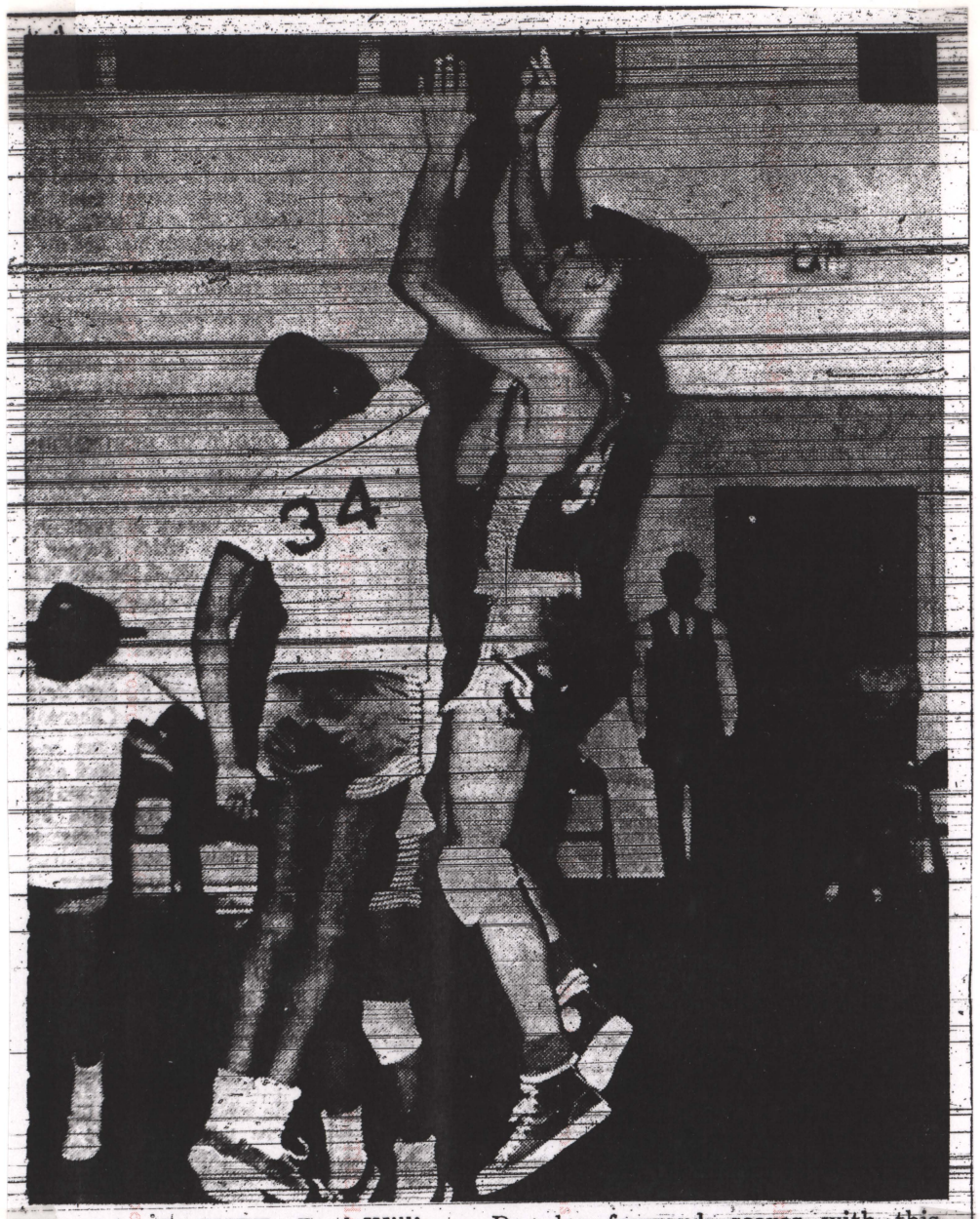
LUCY SIMMS

	FG	FT	T
Dickerson	3	1-4	8
Davis	0	1-2	1
J. Madden	5	1-3	11
W. Curry	1	0-0	2
L. Madden	3	0-0	6
Beale	1	0-1	2
TOTALS	13	3-10	29

DOUGLAS

	FG	FT	T
Blowe	2	1-3	5
Jackson	7	1-2	15
C. Curry	10	0-2	20
Laws	11	0-3	22
Williams	3	0-2	6
L. Long	1	3-4	5
Baltimore	0	0-0	0
Washington	0	0-0	0
Grimes	0	0-0	0
R. Long	0	0-0	0
Thompson	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	34	5-16	73

Lucy Simms	4	7	5	13	—29
Douglas	22	17	10	24	—73



DOUGLAS BASKET—Paul Williams, Douglas forward, scores with this jumper shot despite an effort by Lucy Simms defender Garvin Dickerson (34) to block it. The losers' Warren Curry is at left.

Douglas Sets Field Goal Record In 122-14 Victory

1-18-63

DOUGLAS ROMPS

Douglas established a school record for field goals in one game last night as it humiliated West Luray, 122-14, here.

The Bulldogs connected for 58 of the two-pointers in running up the score on the hapless invaders. The team shot an amazing 62 per cent from the floor as coach Ed Barksdale emptied his bench in an effort to give his scrubs and junior varsity boys some experience.

The Bulldogs had all five starters and one sub in twin figures, with two more coming within one point of that mark.

Whereas Douglas riddled the baskets for 58 fielders, West Luray could manage only six.

Douglas was experiencing its sixth win of the year without defeat. The Bulldogs were headed by Noah Laws and Clarence Curry who scored 23 and 22 points, respectively.

Douglas' girls team won its only game in a preliminary, 31-14.

WEST LURAY

	FG	FT	T
Tutt	1	0-2	2
Taylor	0	0-1	0
Carter	2	0-0	4
J.Washington	0	1-1	1
Burrill	1	1-2	3
Veney	0	0-1	0
Parks	2	0-3	4
TOTALS	6	2-10	14

DOUGLAS

	FG		T
Blowe	6	0-2	12
Curry	11	0-0	22
Laws	11	1-2	23
Williams	7	0-1	14
L.Long	5	2-4	12
Jackson	4	1-1	9
F.Washington	4	1-2	9
Grimes	6	1-1	13
Baltimore	1	0-0	2
Thompson	2	0-0	4
R. Long	0	0-0	0
Burns	1	0-0	2
TOTALS	58	6-13	122

W. Luray	2	5	2	5 — 14
Douglas	33	33	27	29 — 122

WINS 51-36

Douglas Overtakes Johnson-Williams

1-19-63

Douglas High School came from behind the first quarter at Berryville last night to beat Johnson-Williams 51-36.

The win left Douglas with a 7-0 record for the season. It was the fifth Douglas win in Group II, District 1.

Douglas never lost the lead after coming from behind in the first period.

Noah Laws was high man with 20 points. Clarence Curry was next with 14, and Paul Williams was third with 11.

Norman Blowe didn't get into the scoring column but made his mark with assists.

The score was 14-13 at the end of the first period. Douglas led 28-19 at the half with a nine point margin. The margin was stretched to 15 at the end.

Brown was top scorer for Johnson-Williams, with 14 points. Briscoe was second with nine.

The Douglas Junior Varsity didn't fare as well. It lost to the J-W JVs 25-22.

The next Dougals Varsity game will be Tuesday against Carver of Culpeper at home. The JVs play at 7:30.

DOUGLAS

	FG	FT	T
Curry	6	2-3	14
Blowe	0	0-0	0
Laws	8	4-7	20
Williams	5	1-1	11
L. Long	1	0-0	2
Jackson	2	0-1	4
TOTALS	22	7-12	51

JOHNSON-WILLIAMS

	FG	FT	T
Brown	5	4-8	14
Briscoe	4	1-4	9
Moss	2	1-1	5
Williams	1	0-0	2
Walker	3	0-0	6
Thomas	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	15	6-13	

Douglas	14	14	10	1
J-W	13	6	9	8

Bulldogs Now 8-0

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1963

Douglas Has Easy Time With Carver, Records 74-35 Win

The element of surprise plus five players in double figures proved the right recipe as Douglas ran its unblemished basketball record to 8-0 with a victory last night over Carver of Culpeper 74-35, here.

The surprise element was a man-for-man press which Bulldogs coach Ed Barksdale had his team introduced about 1:30 after the game started. It completely befuddled the visitors who had several tall players of their own to tangle with Douglas' Noah Laws and the bunch.

The win was the Bulldogs' eighth. Carver, not as bad a team as last night's score showed, is now 6-3.

Laws led the winners with 25 points. The other Douglas marksmen in twin figures were Clarence Curry, 16 Paul Williams, 10 and Louis Long and Charles Jackson with 11 each.

Douglas sank 33 field goals in 65 tries for 51 per cent. The winners hauled down 27 rebounds and blocked nine shots.

The Bulldogs built up an 18-4 first quarter advantage and upped the margin to 40-14 at halftime. It was 56-19 after three periods.

Carver had only one player in double figures — Jim Bannister with 12 points. Brother Charles Bannister added nine for the losers.

USED ALL PLAYERS

Barksdale used his entire bench, but the scoring was confined to the starters and one sub.

The game was the last for Douglas until Feb. 1 when the Bulldogs host Criser of Front Royal, a team it beat handily in their first encounter Dec. 14.

CARVER

	FG	FT	T
J. Bannister	6	0-2	12
C. Bannister	3	3-6	9
Martin	0	0-0	0
Grey	0	1-2	1
Bowles	1	0-3	2
Bumbrey	1	1-1	3
Pollard	1	0-0	2
Young	2	0-2	4
Williams, D.	1	0-0	2
TOTALS	15	5-16	35

DOUGLAS

	FG	FT	T
Curry	6	1-2	13
Laws	12	1-2	25
Williams, P.	4	2-2	10
Long, L.	4	3-5	11
Jackson	5	1-3	11
Grimes	0	0-0	0
Thompson	0	0-0	0
Washington	0	0-0	0
Long, R.	0	0-0	0
Burns	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	33	8-15	74

Carver	4	10	5	16 — 35
Douglas	18	22	16	18 — 74

DOUGLAS got in its licks for a 60-51 state champion Booker T. Washington of Staunton tomorrow night by thumping Carver, 81-51, at Culpeper.

The Saturday night victory meant a perfect 9-0 record for the Bulldogs.

Noah Laws scored 23 for Douglas and saw teammate Paul Williams tally 20 markers.

The Winchester team outdistanced Carver by 46-19 at halftime and coasted home with Ed Barksdale's scrubs seeing most of the second half action.

Douglas Box

2-16-63

DOUGLAS

	FG	FT	T
Blowe	1	0	2
Curry	5	1	11
Laws	16	1	33
Williams	9	2	20
Long	1	1	3
Jackson	2	2	6
Burns	1	0	2
Grimes	2	0	4
TOTALS	37	7	81

CARVER

	FG	FT	T
Martin	2	1	5
Bannister	8	6	22
Bowles	4	1	9
Bumbrey	2	3	7
Snead	4	0	8
TOTALS	20	11	51

Douglas	46	35	— 81
Carver	19	32	— 51

Bulldogs Now 11-0

Douglas Has Easy Time With Johnson-Williams, Wins 78-44

2-16-63

Douglas warmed up for its heralded clash Monday night with Booker T. Washington of Staunton by toying with Johnson-Williams of Berryville and defeating the Tigers, 78-44, here last night.

Noah Laws was most of the show for the Bulldogs, getting 36 points, but he had considerable help from the likes of Paul Williams and Clarence Curry.

Williams, who has come more or less into his own in the Bulldogs' last few games, scored 22 points behind Laws' 36 and turned a standout floor game.

THE WIN was Douglas' 11th without defeat and set the Bulldogs for Booker T. which last night defeated Rosenwald of Waynesboro for its 47th straight win and 15th this year.

Douglas shot a 58.7 per cent for the game, sinking 38 of 65 field goal tries, while Johnson-Williams managed only 18 two-pointers.

The winners again showed woefully weak at the foul line, making good on only two free throws. Of course, they had opportunity for nine attempts so nothing was lost.

COACH ED BARKSDALE appeared satisfied with his starting lineup after the game and announced that the same five will start against Booker T. here Monday night.

Johnson-Williams' leading scorer was Willie Brown who registered 19 points. No other Tiger player reached double figures.

CURRY completed Douglas' twin figure scoring with a dozen points on six free throws.

Both Laws and Williams had a hot eye for Douglas, as Laws sank 17 field goals in 24 tries, while Williams made good on 11 fielders out of 14 attempts.

JOHNSON-WILLIAMS

	FG	FT	T
Brown	9	1-2	19
Briscoe	3	3-4	9
Walker	4	0-2	8
Jones	1	00	2
G. Williams	1	0-1	2
Moss	0	4-5	4
TOTALS	18	8-14	44

DOUGLAS

	FG	FT	T
Blowe	2	0-0	4
Curry	6	0-0	12
Laws	17	2-5	36
P. Williams	11	0-1	22
Grimes	0	0-3	0
Long	2	0-0	4
Jackson	0	0-0	0
Burns	0	0-0	0
Washington	0	0-0	0

Johnson-Wms.	14	4	9	17—44
Douglas	18	17	24	19—78

Douglas Vs. Booker T. Tomorrow

2-17-63

Douglas High's biggest attraction of the season is set for tomorrow night when the Bulldogs host Booker T. Washington of Staunton here.

Douglas, proud possessors of a 9-0 record, will find the state champion Booker T team its toughest opposition of the year. The Staunton cagers boast a 13-0 record this season and have won their last 43 in a row over a three-year span.

NOAH LAWS will lead the Bulldogs against the invaders with a 21.6 average, somewhat improved by a 33 point performance Saturday night against Carver.

Other Douglas scoring leaders are Clarence Curry at 16.4, Paul Williams at 14.3 and Charles Jackson at 10.4 per game.

Booker T. has two scorers averaging over the 20-point mark in Louis Venable (26) and Bob Ellis (21). In addition, Jerome Miller scores at a rate of 17 points per game for the Staunton team.

Douglas to Host Booker T. Tonight

2-18-63

Douglas' Bulldogs, winners of 11 straight this season on the hardwoods get a chance to tackle some big game tonight in the form of state Group III champions Booker T. Washington of Staunton.

The contest, slated for the Douglas gym, will pit the Bulldogs against a team that has won 43 straight over a three-year period and is undefeated this year with a 15-0 record.

Douglas, unaccustomed to the underdog role, will find itself in just that position tonight.

Coach Ed Barksdale is expected to start Norman Blowe, Clarrence Curry, Noah Laws, Paul Williams and Louis Long against the Staunton team.

Douglas Stops Booker T's Win Streak,

Is Accomplished With Ease

By PAT JOYCE
Star Sports Editor

Douglas' Bulldogs last night accomplished a feat probably not too many fans outside their immediate rooting section expected: they defeated defending state Group III champions Booker T. Washington of Staunton.

The score was 53-43 and the victory was recorded in a manner not to be expected by even the staunchest Bulldog backers: with ease and without Noah Laws.

Previously the Staunton quint had something like 43 games in a row and were 15-0 on this season. Douglas, also undefeated, had a modest 11-0 record of its own.

STILL, IT figured to be a Golden Eagle win. However, the steady play of the likes of Charles Jackson, Norman Blowe and Paul Williams and the alert floor game of Clarence Curry was enough to offset Laws' poorest night of the year and then some.

The heralded center got in foul trouble early and was taken out of the game in the second quarter by coach Ed Barksdale. He didn't get back in until midway through the third period and contributed only one more field goal before fouling out early in the final stanza.

LAWS FINISHED with five markers, far below his usual 24 or 25, but the slack was taken up admirably, first by Jackson and then by Williams. His coach attributed Laws' off-form performance to nervousness and said he would rest the star at the start of tonight's return game with the Golden Eagles in Staunton, letting the same five who carried through last night start tonight.

Jackson forced the Booker T. squad to change its tactics in the first half after he hit on three arching two-handers from 25-feet beyond the basket to the left of it.

THIS BROUGHT the visitors into a radical maneuver for them — a sort of sifting man-for-man which Douglas promptly riddled for a lead that increased as time went by.

The winners actually broke the game open in the third period when they ran up a 49-32 lead in the waning moments of that period. The Bulldogs ran off 12 straight points at the start of the third period to leave Booker T. groping for points and forced into committing errors on passes and dribbling.

AS THE visitors' coach said, "We made mistakes and then just stood there while Douglas grabbed the ball and scored. I can't shoot it for them, all I can do is point out what they are doing wrong, but they couldn't do anything about it."

In addition to Williams' team-leading 18 points, his coach gave him credit for his best defensive effort of the season.

A dressing room visitor, after the game, said, "Well, Ed, I guess this proves that Douglas isn't a one-man team, after all."

That brought Barksdale off his seat and out loud with a "No, man. I've been saying that all the time."

THE OTHER half of the Bulldogs' one-two scoring punch — Curry — failed to bag a field goal, but managed three free throws to avoid a shutout. His contribution to the victory, may have been a bit on the intangible side.

Lewis Venable was Booker T's high scorer for the game with 20 points — 15 in the second half. Outside of the Staunton standout, there was no player in double figures for the visitors.

Douglas' JV's won the preliminary game, 2-0, on a forfeit after the Booker T. junior varsity coach pulled his team off the floor with 1:27 left and Douglas leading, 27-25, in protest of an official's decision.

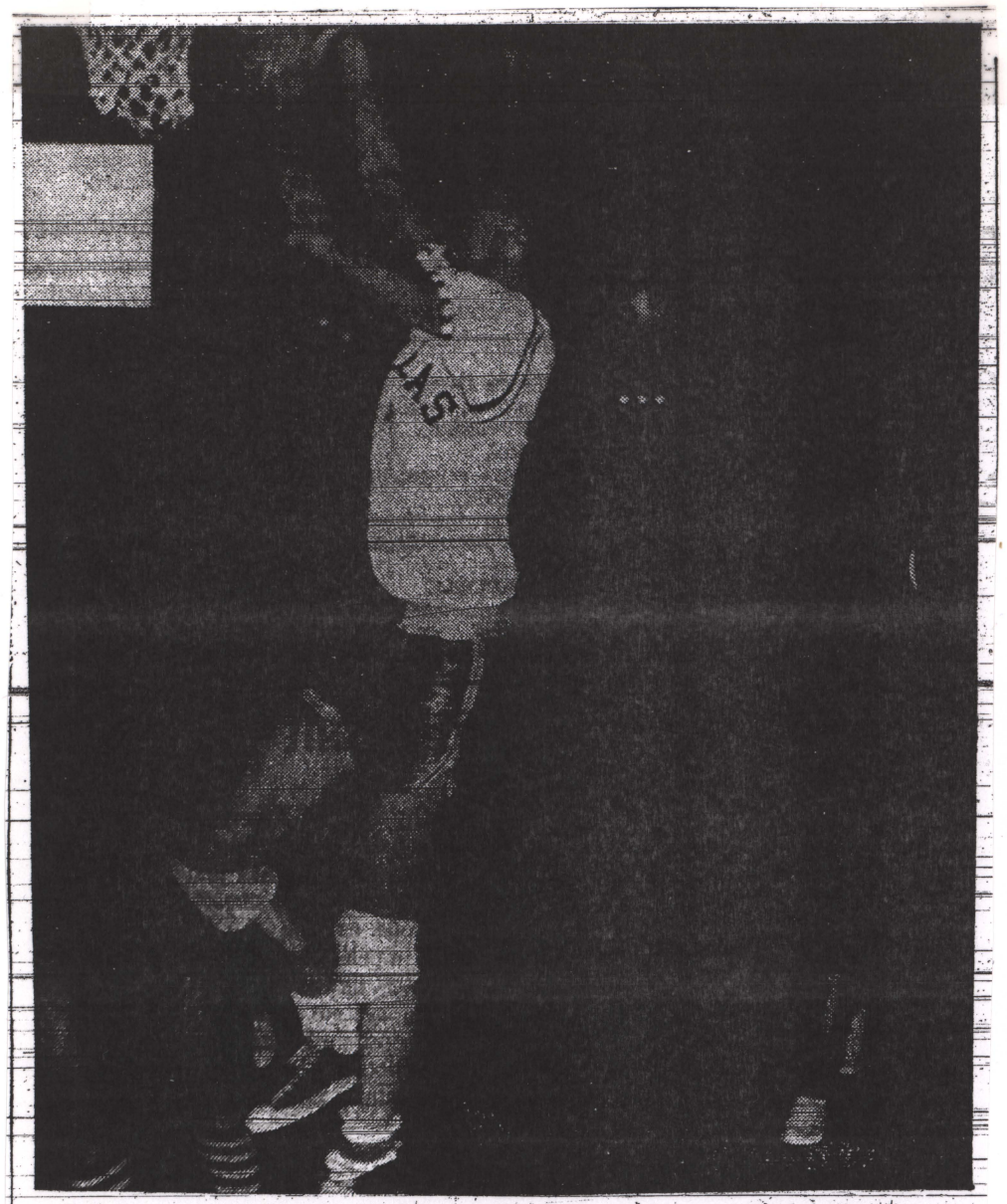
BOOKER T.

	FG	FT	T
Miller	3	0-0	6
Richard	0	0-0	0
Ellis	1	3-5	5
L. Venable	6	8-10	20
Carter	1	1-2	3
Johnson	3	2-4	8
La. Venable	0	1-2	1
Vaughn	1	0-1	2
TOTALS	14	15-24	43

DOUGLAS

	FG	FT	T
Blowe	2	0-1	10
Jackson	5	0-0	12
Curry	0	3-7	3
Grimes	0	0-0	0
Laws	2	1-2	5
Williams	7	1-5	16
Long	1	3-5	5
Burns	0	0-0	0
Washington	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	21	11-20	53

Booker T.	8	10	11	14—43
Douglas	11	14	18	10—53



LAYUP — Paul Williams of Douglas sinks a layup as Booker T. Washington's Lewis Venable (24) waits for him to come down. In the background is Booker T's Jerome Miller (22). Action occurred in the third quarter last night.

Douglas Romps Over Criser By 72-25 Score

2-27-63

Douglas warmed up for its debut Saturday morning in the District 3 tournament by trouncing Criser of Front Royal, 72-25, here last night.

Bulldog coach Ed Barksdale cleared his bench, using all 10 players, and eight of them scored. Noah Laws led the winners with 19 markers, followed by Paul Williams' 16 and Clarence Curry's 14.

Douglas jumped off to a 12-4 first period lead and upped its advantage to 29-7 at halftime. A 19-6 third period margin put the game completely out of reach for the Front Royal quintet.

Barksdale announced that the district tournament will be held Friday night and Saturday at the Armory, with Douglas meeting either West Luray or Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg Saturday at 10 a.m.

CRISER	FG	FT	T
Richburg	1	0-2	2
Green	0	0-0	0
Boyd	1	0-0	2
Dackon	1	1-3	3
H. Washington	2	1-2	5
Barbour	3	6-8	12
Brooks	0	1-2	1
TOTALS	8	9-17	25

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	T
Blowe	3	0-0	6
Curry	6	2-4	14
Laws	9	1-2	19
Williams	7	2-3	16
Jackson	4	0-0	8
Long	1	2-2	4
Burns	1	0-0	2
F. Washington	1	1-2	3
Grimes	0	0-0	0
J. Jackson	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	32	8-13	72

Criser	4	3	6	12	— 25
Douglas	12	17	19	24	— 72

Tourney Starts Tonight

Douglas In Tournament At Armory

THE VIRGINIA Interscholastic Association Group II, District 1 tournament opens at the Armory here tomorrow night.

Douglas will not see action until 10 a.m. Saturday morning. The other schools in the event are West Luray, Criser of Front Royal, Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg and the host school, Johnson-Williams of Berryville.

TOMORROW night's session will consist of two games, while Saturday morning session will feature three games. Championship contests will be played in boys' and girls' divisions Saturday night.

The tournament committee, headed by Johnson-Williams' principal Raymond Ratcliffe, will hold a social for the students of the participating schools at the Armory Saturday afternoon.

In State Tournament

Mar 4/1963

Douglas Beats JW For Title By 80-57

Douglas High School won its second straight VIA Group II, District 1 basketball crown here Saturday night by defeating Johnson-Williams of Berryville, 80-57.

After trouncing the Tigers in a come-from-behind effort, the Bulldogs learned that their first-round opponent in the state tournament this weekend at Norfolk will be Rosenwald of Waynesboro, upset conquerors of Booker T. Washington of Staunton in a tournament there Saturday.

DOUGLAS rallied after trailing at half time, 23-24, to win going away. Johnson-Williams made it a contest until midway through the third period when the score was tied, 39-39.

In the final period, the Bulldogs caught fire and ran through a streak that saw them register a 14-point skein and total 33 points in the period.

The game, like the rest of the tournament, was played at the Armory, and a crowd estimated at 1,000 saw the championship contest.

Noah Laws led Douglas in scoring with a 27-point effort. That and his scoring in the Bulldogs' semi-final victory over Criser of Front Royal won him the trophy presented by the Elks' Club for being "the outstanding player" in the tournament.

Earlier Saturday, Douglas routed Criser, 97-26, to reach the championship game.

DOUGLAS COACH Ed Barksdale used only six players and four scored in double figures against Johnson-Williams. In addition to Laws Clarence Curry totalled 16 points, Louis Long scored 15 and Paul Williams finished with 12.

The Tigers were headed by Willie Brown's 22 point effort.

By winning, Douglas joined the field of 10 teams in the Group II state tourney at Hampton Institute, starting Thursday. Should the Bulldogs defeat Rosenwald, they will likely face Williamsburg or Scott Memorial of Wytheville.

JOHNSON-WILLIAMS	FG	FT	T
Moss	1	2-2	4
Briscoe	5	5-10	15
Walker	3	0-1	6
Brown	5	12-14	22
G. Williams	5	0-2	10
Turner	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	19	19-30	57

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	T
Blowe	1	0-0	2
Curry	7	2-3	16
Laws	13	1-2	27
P. Williams	5	2-3	12
Long	7	1-2	15
Jackson	3	2-2	8
TOTALS	36	8-12	80

Johnson-Wms.	15	13	13	16	— 57
Douglas	9	15	23	33	— 80

Douglas Makes Bow In Group II VIA Tournament

3-7-63

Douglas High was to make its bow in the state VIA, Group II basketball tournament in Norfolk this afternoon or tonight against Rosenwald of Waynesboro.

The doubt over the time of the game came after Bulldog coach Ed Barksdale failed to receive a tournament schedule prior to Douglas' departure for Norfolk yesterday.

The tourney will be played in Hampton Institute's gymnasium and will be grouped in scheduling with the Group I tournament.

The 10 Group II districts sent their tourney champions to the event. Douglas became the District I representative by blasting Criser of Front Royal, 97-26, and Johnson-Williams of Berryville, 80-57, here last weekend.

Rosenwald, boasting a generally shorter team than the Bulldogs, features several sharpshooters. The Waynesboro quintet upset Booker T. Washington of Staunton for their district crown.

Center Noah Laws will again lead the Bulldogs into action, with the other Douglas starter coming from the likes of Norman Blowe, Clarence Curry, Paul Williams and Charles Jackson or Louis King.

Coach Blasts Officials

Douglas Loses Disputed Game To Booker T., 52-51

2-21-63

STAUNTON — Douglas High of Winchester had its 42-game winstreak broken here Wednesday night in what the Bulldogs' coach, Ed Barksdale, called "the most disgraceful game ever played," and the coach said after the game he would not renew athletic relations with winning Booker T. Washington.

The Staunton quintet edged Douglas, 52-51, in a game of bizarre referee's calls, wiered tactics and questionable coaching ethics.

Douglas' ledger now reads 12-1, while Booker T's stands at 16-1. Monday night, the Bulldogs stopped a 43 game Golden Eagle victory skein in Winchester, and this was thought to have precipitated Booker T's behaviour.

Noah Laws led the losers in scoring with 18 points, followed by Charles Jackson and Norman Blowe with nine each. Paul Williams, the scoring leader Monday night, was held in tow by Booker T and failed to score.

Barksdale said that "Williams was the object of a deliberate plot" to hamper him and "get him out of the game" by Booker T. players.

The Douglas coach planned further action concerning the officiating and outcome of the game, and said he was going to communicate with school authorities.

3-8-63

Scholastic Scores

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

VIA State Tournament

Group I Quarterfinals

Armstrong (Richmond) 72, Dunbar (Lynchburg) 52

Parker Gray (Alexandria) 56, Langston Danville) 48

Peabody (Petersburg) 54, Carver (Newport News) 41

Crestwood (Chesapeake) 53, West End Clarksville) 37

Group II Quarterfinals

C. G. Woodson (Hopewell) 79, J. J. Wright (nell) 39

Rosenwald (Waynesboro) 63, Douglas Winchester) 61

Booker T. (Suffolk) 54, Carver-Price (Appomattox) 27

Carver (Salem) 74, J. W. Johnson Yorktown) 52

1963 – 1964

1963 Football

This was to be the last year Douglas fielded a team. With students starting to transfer to Handley High School, Douglas was low on players. The 1963 Bulldogs played a four game schedule going 2-2. Their two defeats were to Burley of Charlottesville and by 5 points to old numinous Cardoza.

1963-1964 Basketball

Even though the football had a short season, the basketball team enjoyed another fine season with a record of 10-4. Douglas won its fourth District title. They have now won nine out of the last ten District Championships. The Bulldogs lost to Booker T Washington in the State Tournament 76-43.

Team members: Noah Laws, Clarence Curry, Norman Blowe, Herman Grimes, William Beamer, Irvin Baltimore, Randolph Martin and Louis Long

Leading scorers:	Noah Laws	13 games	380 points	29.23% average
	Norman Blowe	13 games	186 points	13.28%
	William Beamer	13 games	117 points	9.00%

1963
Douglas Football
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Sept	23	Hoffman-Boston - Arlington, VA	6	0
	28	Burley – Charlottesville, VA	6	33
Oct	26	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	45	14
Nov	2	Cardoza – Washington, DC	7	12

POINTS: Douglas - 64
Opponents - 59

Douglas Bulldogs Seen Hurt By Player Drought

Laws, Curry Headliners In Backfield; Pickings Slim For Barksdale With Only Five Games On Schedule

9-3-63

Douglas High School is not going to have much of a football team this season.

Not a poor record; it's just that there won't be many boys out for the team, according to head coach Ed Barksdale. Added to this the fact that the Bulldogs have so far definitely scheduled only two games, with three other reasonable possibilities and you see why things look a little indefinite around the locker room.

However, back for his final season as the All-Everything in the Bulldog backfield is Noah Laws, perhaps Douglas' finest all-round athlete ever.

Laws is likely to be the quarterback because there simply doesn't appear to be anyone else to handle the jobo. Barksdale would rather play him at flanker back or end.

At fullback is Clarence Curry, a brute of a veteran, although only a junior. At left half is Irving Baltimore, a veteran who Barksdale says is "the only halfback in school."

Right halfback is a question, as are the left end and right guard positions in the line.



DOUGLAS HEAD COACH—Ed Barksdale, in his 12th season at Douglas, has compiled a 65-13-5 record in his 11 campaigns here.

UP FRONT are Robert Long, at left tackle; Ronald Nelson, at left guard; Wayne King, at center; Herman Grimes, the biggest man on the squad, at right tackle and George Dixon, at right end.

There are seven or eight other prospects, according to the coach — not for the line or backfield, but the whole team. Douglas could well carry only a 15-man squad through its abbreviated season.

Last year the Bulldogs fought to a 6-2 record. The wins included two over Johnson-Williams of Berryville, and a single victories over Culpeper, Burley of Charlottesville, Pomonkey (Md.) and Jenny Dean of Manassas.

The losses were suffered at the hands of Culpeper (14-13) and highly-rated Cardoza of Washington (19-12).

Of that 1962 slate, only Pomonkey on Sept. 21 and Cardoza on Nov. 1 are certainties. Jenny Dean, Page - Jackson of Charles Town and Douglass of Leesburg are the likely additions to the Bulldog schedule.

Of course, as things have a way of doing, it could be that Douglas will end up with a reasonably full schedule of something like eight games.

GONE FROM the agenda are the annual clashes with Johnson-Williams. The schools have been playing twice a season to fill in the slate for several seasons.

The return matches in 1961 and 1962 ended in uproars, with Douglas on the receiving end of forfiet victories in eacn case.

In 1961, a near-riot broke out in Berryville early in the third quarter with Douglas leading at the time, 47-0.

Last year, after having defeated the Tigers in Berryville, Douglas was awarded a forfeit win when the Johnson-Williams coach pulled his team off the field in the thid period after disputing a referee's decision.

The Bulldogs held a slim lead at the time.

Barksdale has been quoted as saying he wants "nothing more to do with the Berryville school" in the way of football relations. This decision left both with two games to replace on the slates.

The current season may start late and end early, with a long vacation between games, but Douglas will still be there or thereabouts when the opening whistle blows.

On TD Pass

Douglas Upsets Hoffman-Boston By 6-0 Margin

9-13-63

Douglas, bulwarked by a standout defense, struck for a second period touchdown and held on to upset the experts and Hoffman-Boston here Saturday by 6-0.

Midway in the second quarter, quarterback Clarence Curry connected with Norman Blowe on a 15-yard pass that Blowe carried over the goal line for the only score of the game.

Armed with the six points, the smaller — as a team — Bulldogs held the Arlington eleven throughout the second half and had another touchdown called back on an illegal procedure penalty.

The defense was led by Coach Ed Barksdale's stone wall of Herman Grimes, Oliver Jackson and Ron Nelson. Jackson, in particular, played a standout defensive game in his first try at football. Nelson, a linebacker, earned the plaudits of Barksdale for his timely play in stopping the Hoffman-Boston drives, along with the other Bulldog defenders.

THE DOUGLAS touchdown ended a 54-yard sustained drive. The Bulldogs fielded a punt and started from their own 46 with the running of Larry Banks and 121-pound scatback Randy Martin leading the way.

Curry's attempted placement following the score was blocked.

"A whale of a game," was the way the veteran coach described his team's effort. "They used the wrong defense against us, too, Barksdale said.

"They concentrated on us on the inside and we were able to split the outside consistantly. When they finally moved out, we mousetrapped and ran off the tackles."

The coach moaned one aspect of his schedule, even in victory, however. The Bulldogs face Burley of Charlottesville Friday night on the road. Last Friday, Burley manhandled a Gretna eleven by 40-0.

Barksdale characterizes the Burley squad as "big and tough — bigger than we are, for sure."

Hoffman-Boston	0	0	0	0	— 0
Douglas	0	6	0	0	— 6

Douglas Is Overpowered By Burley

9-28-63

A game Douglas team was overpowered by a bigger and tougher Burley High School eleven last night as Douglas came out on the short end of a 33-6 ballgame.

Penalties hurt the local gridders throughout the game and twice they saw socring opportunities vanish before their eyes.

Douglas's only score came on a one-yard plunge in the second quarter.

Burley, in the opening quarter, blocked a Douglas punt, and took the ball into paydirt from the 10-yard line, though Douglas held the Charlottesville aggregation out for three plays.

Burley also connected for another score in the first quarter, via a pass play.

Clarence Curry got off a booming punt of 48 yards in the second quarter, Burley fumbled and Douglas recovered to set up their only scoring play. Laws carried the ball over.

At the half the score stood at 27-6.

Burley scored again in the third quarter for the last scoring play of the evening.

Scores 4 Touchdowns

Curry Sparks Douglas To 45-14 Victory At Leesburg

10-26-57

LEESBURG — Clarence Curry sparked Douglas of Winchester to a 45-14 romp over Douglass of Leesburg here Friday night by scoring four touchdowns — one after returning from a hurried visit to the hospital following a second quarter injury.

Curry received a pulled arm ligament after scoring touchdowns in the first and second periods, and then came back in the fourth period. He scored his team's last touchdown on an 80-yard run in which no one laid a hand on him as he scampered to the right and then left on an inside reverse.

The Bulldog win, their second against a loss, was also marked by the return of Noah Laws to the lineup. Laws celebrated by scoring twice himself and passing to Norman Blowe for a third touchdown.

Despite the margin of victory, the winners found themselves with a determined Douglass foe at one point. In the third period, after a 19-7 Bulldog lead, the Leesburg eleven tallied on a 45-yard pass-run play to cut the gap to 19-14.

Laws then cut loose and scored from the three yard line after Ron Nelson blocked a Douglass punt. Moments later Laws again scored, setting the stage for the fourth quarter when he passed to Blowe and Curry returned to register his fourth TD.

Curry's three first half scores came on runs of 20, 8 and 17 yards—the latter six-pointer coming on Curry's run from the tailback slot in Coach Ed Barksdale's surprise single-wing attack.

Barksdale praised several of his gridders for standout work on defense. They were Herman Grimes, Bob Long, Fred Smith, Leonard Alsberry, Nelson, Oliver Jackson and George Dixon.

Winchester	7	12	14	12	—45
Leesburg	0	8	7	0	—14

Cardoza Scores Late, Edges Douglas, 12-7

Bulldogs Homecoming Loss Closes Abreviated Season; Record Is 2-2

11-2-63

"I hate for this team to get the lead early."

That was Douglas coach Ed Barksdale talking as his team was about to go down to defeat at the hands of Cardoza, of Washington, yesterday in the Bulldogs' homecoming 12-7.

Douglas, indeed, did get the lead early against the visitors as Noah Laws calmly tossed a 16-yard pass to end George Dixon over the left side of the Bulldog line with 3:00 to go in the first period.

The ensuing extra point, on a plunge by Larry Banks, gave Douglas a 7-0 advantage that held up through most of the game until the end of the third period.

Then the fast end sweeps of the Washington team began to tell on the inexperienced Bulldogs as Cardoza scored twice — near the end of the third quarter and on the second play of the final period.

THE FIRST Cardoza touchdown came at the end of a drive that started on the Cardoza 38 after a Douglas drive fizzled out. The visitors took ten plays to reach the Douglas 26 where it was first down. A run lost three yards and then Cardoza quarterback handed off to halfback Harold Ford who skirted his left end for 29 yards and the score.

Douglas still had a lead, 7-6, when the attempted placement went to the right.

The Bulldogs weren't on top for long, however, as Larry Banks fumbled the ball on the first play after taking the kickoff and the Falcons had it on the Douglas 27.

AN OFF TACKLE slant gained three yards, another short burst added two and then Ford gained a first down on the Bulldog 16. From there Pete Bostic rolled out around his left end and picked up the touchdown as the Bulldogs had no one near him.

Twice thereafter, Douglas had a chance at the go-ahead touchdown. Minutes after the second Cardoza score, Douglas quarterback Noah Laws flipped a long pass to Dixon. The ball was juggled instantly and then dropped.

An exchange of the ball later, Laws again went back to pass and aimed the ball at Banks. Banks had it briefly and then, too, dropped it. On the next play, Norman Blowe pulled a switch with Laws and stepped into the quarterback slot.

BLOWE THREW to Laws who was covered by three defenders. Laws missed the ball, but umpire Dave Pence ruled the Cardoza player had interfered by pushing and Douglas had a first down on the visitors' 35.

The drive was halted a minute before the game ended when Cardoza intercepted a Laws' pass.

The loss was Douglas' second and evened its record at 2-2 in what was the Bulldogs' last game of the season unless an agreement can be reached between Douglas and Johnson - Williams of Berryville for a late game.

STATISTICS

Cardoza		Douglas
239	Rushing	48
6	Passes att.	9
1	Passes com'p.	1
1	Intercepted by	1
19	Yards passing	16
258	Total offense	64
9	First downs	4
6-60	Penalties	1-15

Cardoza	0	0	6	6	— 12
Douglas	7	0	0	0	— 7

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Dec	7	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	104	58
	12	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	93	35
	18	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	70	52
Jan	10	Hoffman Boston – Arlington, VA	49	64
	11	Criser – Front Royal, VA	79	42
	18	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	84	51
	20	Luther Jackson – Fairfax, VA	53	73
Feb	1	Criser – Front Royal, VA	84	50
	7	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	89	42
	21	Carver – Culpeper, VA	95	65
	22	Huffman Boston – Arlington, VA	53	69
	26	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	77	53
		DISTRICT TOURNAMENT		
Mar	8	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	80	59
	9	Criser – Front Royal, VA	77	53
		STATE TOURNAMENT		
	13	Booker T Washington, Staunton, VA	43	76

POINTS: Douglas - 1130
Opponents - 842



Douglas High School 1963-1964 basketball team. Kneeling, left to right: William Beamer, Randolph Martin, Irvin Baltimore, Norman Blowe; standing, (left to right): Edwin K. Barksdale (coach), Herman Grimes, Clarence Curry. (555-77f)

Douglas Rips Harrisonburg School, 104-58

12-7-63

HARRISONBURG — Douglas High's Bulldogs, in their league opener aginst Lucy Sims here last night, revealed what might be a portent of things to come for the 1962 and '63 champs.

The hapless Harrisonburgs received the full treatment from Coach Ed Barksdale's netters, who amassed 104 points..

Lucy Sims managed only 5 8 against the stronge Winchester aggregation.

Four out of the five Bulldog starters wound up the evening with point totals in double figures.

They were Noah Laws, high with 39; Clarence Curry, 20; Norman Blowe, 19; and Herman Grimes, 15.

A brother combination — James and Larry Madden — turned in Lucy Sims' most impressing performances, with Jim netting 18 and Larry 10.

The Bulldogs took a 53-25 lead into the dressing room at halftime and were never seriously in trouble.

The Winchester team next goes against Johnson - Williams, of Berryville, in a Douglas home game Dec. 11.

Douglas Play Tonight

12-11-63

Douglas Coach Ed Barksdale may be missing high-scoring center Noah Law's because of a work committment, obut Clarence Curry and Norman Blowe will lead a more experienced squad of Bulldogs against a Johnson-Williams quintet that isn't expected to offer much opposition.

Douglas is 1-0 afte- drubbing Jenny Dean, 104-58, Friday.

Douglas Routs Johnson-Williams By 93-35 Score

12-12-63

Douglas High turned loose a fierce scoring attack and Bulldog-like defense against Johnson-Williams of Berryville here last night and outclassed its rivals, 93-35, at the Douglas gym.

The victory was the Bulldogs' second of the season — both in easy fashion — while Johnson-Williams was making its season debut.

Noah Laws again emerged as the game's top scorer and the Douglas standout center poured 35 points through the hoops, matching the losing team's total.

Laws was aided by Clarence Curry's 21 markers. William Beamer and Herman Grimes were other Douglas cagers to finish in double figures. Beamer got 12 points, Grimes 10.

THE TIGERS failed to place a scorer in twin figures, with their top man being Ed Walker who tallied eight markers.

Douglas quickly turned the game into a rout as it mounted a 27-8 first period lead before a large crowd on its home court. At halftime the count was upped to 50-17 and Ed Barksdale began clearing his bench.

The hosts added another 25 points during the third period and held a 75-43 lead before permitting Johnson-Williams to close the gap slightly in the final period.

Douglas shooters compiled a 52.4 average in field goals.

The box score:

J-W	FG	FT	Pts.
Wilson	2	2-4	6
Mason	1	2-3	4
E. Walker	4	0-1	8
Turner	3	0-4	6
J. Walker	2	2-4	6
Jones	1	1-7	5
TOTALS	14	7-23	35

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	Pts.
Blowe	4	0-1	8
Curry	10	1-1	21
Laws	16	3-4	35
Long	1	0-0	2
Beamer	5	2-3	12
Grimes	5	0-0	10
Baltimore	2	1-2	5
Martin	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	43	7-11	93

Douglas	27	23	25	18—93
J.W	8	9	6	12—35

Douglas Records 3rd Straight; Wins By 70-52

12-16-63

LEESBURG — Winchester's Douglas High had a tougher time than expected here Tuesday night, but recorded its third straight victory, 60-52, over Douglass of Leesburg.

The Winchester quint held a 19-12 lead at the end of the first period and outscored the hosts in each period, but couldn't maintain the high-scoring pace it recorded in its first two games.

Noah Laws topped the Bulldog scorers with 29 points, and was aided by Herman Grimes' 15 markers. It was Grimes' best offensive effort in his two varsity seasons. Clarence Curry and Norman Blowe also finished in double figures with 12 and 10 points.

The Douglas (Winchester) JV's defeated the Leesburg JV's in a preliminary contest, 40-28. It was the winners' first outing of the season.

Winchester	19	18	15	18—70
Leesburg	12	14	12	14—52

Winchester scoring: Blowe, 10; Curry, 12; Laws, 29; Beamer, 4; Grimes, 15.

Leesburg scoring: W. Turner, 11; Robinson, 19; Grayson, 4; Brown, 8; Turner, 2; Carter, 6; Jones, 2.

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Douglas Bulldogs Coast to Easy Win Over Criser, 79-42; Laws Nets 36

1-11-64

FRONT ROYAL—Winchester's Douglas High proved to be a strong first quarter team here Friday night before letting off slightly and keeping the score respectable in a 79-42 victory over Criser.

Douglas netted 34 points in the opening eight minutes and held a 34-6 first quarter lead. The Bulldogs slackened off and the second period advantage was only eight points.

THE VICTORY was Douglas' fourth of the season against one defeat. For Criser, a taller team that has met stiff competition, it was loss number three to go with four victories.

Forward Clarence Curry suffered his second straight ineffective night from the floor, getting two first half baskets. Teammate Noah Laws took up the slack with a 36 point performance and was aided by Morman Bowe's 18 markers and Bill beamer's 10 points.

Douglas fired 17 field goals through the cords in the first period and hit on 70 per cent of its two-point attempts in that span.

MELVIN JACKSON was the only Criser player to score in twin figures and he totalled 15 points.

A review of post-game statistics revealed that Douglas connected on 17 fielders in the first quarter and only one more than that of the rest of the game.

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	PTS
Blowe	8	2-4	18
Laws	17	2-2	36
Beamer	4	2-2	10
Grimes	3	1-4	7
Martin	0	0-0	0
Long	1	0-3	2

CRISER	FG	FT	PTS
Brooks	1	1-2	3
Washington	2	5-7	9
Jackson, M.	4	7-10	15
Boyd	3	1-1	7
Barbour	2	0-2	4
Jackson, T.	1	0-1	2
Frye	1	0-0	2
TOTALS	14	14-23	42

Douglas	34	18	10	17—79
Criser	6	10	7	19—42

Doulgas Hampered By Lack Of Punch, Bows By 64-49 To Hoffman-Boston Squad

1-10-64

ARLINGTON — Hoffman-Boston had too much height and Douglas High of Winchester too little scoring punch here Thursday night. The result was a 64-49 victory for the Arlington team.

The defeat was the first of the season for Douglas after three victories over competition closer to home. Hoffman - Boston, a Washington metropolitcan area power, won its seventh against two losses.

Douglas' Noah Laws emerged as the game's top scorer with 28 points, but was hampered by inability of two other teammates — Clarence Curry and Herman Grimes — to get the ball through the basket. Both are normally double figure scorers.

Curry finished with two points — on foul shots — while Grimes was defensed thoroughly and failed to score.

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	PTS
Blowe	3	2-5	8
Curry	0	2-2	2
Laws	11	6-10	28
Beamer	5	1-2	11
Grimes	0	0-1	0
Long	0	0-1	0
TOTALS	19	11-21	49

H-B	FG	FT	PTS
Alfred	1	1-1	3
C. Burton	2	3-3	7
E. Burton	3	0-0	6
Crittenden	3	5-7	11
Gantt	1	1-2	3
Green	2	2-4	6
Jordan	4	2-4	10
Latney	7	0-1	14
Palmer	1	2-4	4
TOTALS	24	16-27	64

Douglas	7	10	16	16	— 49
H-B	18	20	11	15	—64

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Lucy Simms Is Victim of Local Team, 84-51

1-18-64

former as the Bulldogs trounced Lucy Simms of Harrisonoburg, 84-51, here.

The four — Noah Laws, Clarence Curry, Norman Blowe and [illegible] by Laws who finished the game with 31 points. Jim Madden posted 28 to pace the visitors.

The others contributed double figure scoring with Curry and [illegible] just a freshman — adding 12.

THE VICTORY was Douglas' fifth of the season against one loss and was its second over Lucy Simms.

Bulldog coach Ed Barksdale, while obviously pleased over the win, was a bit sour over the winners lackluster performance in the final period.

Douglas had scored 20, 26 and 26 points in the first three quarters and held a 72-28 advantage going into the final eight minutes.

FROM THEN on the story was mostly Simms as the visitors outscored the Bulldogs, 23-12, in the final period.

Nevertheless, the winners shot a strong 57 per cent in the field goal department, bagging 40 of 70 attempts from the floor.

Laws scored his 31 on 13 field goals and a lone foul shot.

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	PTS
Blowe	8	0-0	16
Baltimore	0	0-0	0
C. Curry	8	0-0	16
Long	0	1-4	1
Laws	13	1-1	31
Beamer	5	2-3	12
Grimes	4	0-4	8
TOTALS	40	4-11	84

Simms	[illegible]	10	12	6	23—51
Douglas	[illegible]	20	26	26	12—84

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Douglas Only Area Quint to Play Tonight

1-28-64

With the exception of the Douglas-Luther Jackson contest at Fairfax, tonight's area scholastic basketball action is centered on the Group II, District 10 front.

Three games are slated in district 10 with the highlight a clash at Strasburg between the Rams and Warren County. Strasburg boasts a current 6-2 league record, just a notch behind league-leading Central, while the Wildcats are 5-2.

A WIN BY Strasburg, coupled with a Stonewall Jackson victory over Central tonight, would shove the Rams into first place.

Stonewall Jackson, beaten several times by the league's upper echelon teams, is still a power to be reckoned with and opposes the Falcons as an arch-rival at Woodstock.

Clarke County, in the throes of a three-game losing streak under new coach Carroll Reid, travels to Rappahannock County to engage the district's newest — and winless — member.

THE EAGLES defeated Rappahannock earlier for one of their victories. Clarke is 3-5 in District 10 and 4-6 overall.

Douglas, carrying a 5-1 record, tackles another tough metropolitan area team in Luther Jackson tonight.

The Bulldogs have rebounded since losing to Hoffman - Boston—another Washington area power — early in the month and have a two-game win streak going.

Douglas Bulldogs Romp In VIA Win Over Criser

2-1-64

Douglas romped past Criser 84-50, in a VIA game here last night and upped its perfect VIA record to 4-0. Overall the Bulldogs are 4-2.

Douglas looked sharp from the floor, making 38 per cent of its shots. Coach Ed Barksdale used several defenses on the visitors.

From the free throw line Douglas was off by only making 50 per cent of the shots, 18-for-36.

The largest margin that Douglas held was 34 points — at the end of the game. The Bulldogs won going away.

Noah Laws, the big senior hit for 25 points, while Clarence Curry had 22 and Norman Blowe had 20. They were the only players from Douglas go get into double figures.

For Criser, Ernest Washington was the big gun, hitting for 16 points. He and Robert Brooks, who got 10 points topped the losers.

Criser now stands 4-6 overall and 2-3 in league play.

CRISER	FG	FT	PTS
Washington	8	0-1	16
Greene	2	2-3	6
Jackson, M.	2	4-7	8
Boyd	4	0-1	8
Brooks	4	2-2	10
Jackson, T.	0	2-4	2
TOTALS	20	10-18	50

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	PTS
Baltimore	1	2-2	4
Blowe	8	4-5	20
Beamer	3	1-1	7
Laws	12	1-3	25
Curry	10	2-5	22
Grimes	2	2-8	6
TOTALS	36	12-24	84

CRISER	7	9	17	17—50
DOUGLAS	19	26	18	21—84

DOUGLAS WINS, 89-42

Noah Laws 42, J-W Tigers 42

2-7-64

BERRYVILLE — If Douglas Coach Ed Barksdale had sent Noah Laws to play Johnson-Williams High by himself here Friday night, it might have been a ballgame. The rest of the Bulldogs went along, too, however and things were a little lopsided as Douglas waltzed home with an 89-42 victory.

Laws bagged as many points as the losing Tigers — 42— and outscored them from the floor, getting 18 field goals to Johnson-Williams' 17. For the first time this season, he brought Barksdale off the bench in excitement as he blocked three shots in succession attempted by the Tigers and then recovered the ball himself.

LAWS WASN'T the whole show, however. Clarence Curry chipped in with 14 points and Bill Beamer hit for 10 to join the senior center in double figures.

Douglas trailed at the outset of the game, 11-4, before gradually moving into the lead. From that deficit, the Bulldogs scored 22 points in a row in finishing the first period without permitting Johnson-Williams back on the scoreboard.

The winners duplicated their first quarted tally in the second eight minutes and sat on top of a 52-26 halftime lead.

Ernest Turner paced the losers with 19 points.

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	PTS
Blowe	3	3-4	9
Beamer	4	2-3	10
Curry	6	2-2	14
Laws	18	6-9	42
Grimes	4	0-2	8
Martin	0	0-1	0
Baltimore	1	0-1	2
Long	2	0-1	4
TOTALS	38	13-22	89

JOHN.-WMS.	FG	FT	PTS
P. E. Jones	0	0-0	0
Turner	8	3-5	19
Paige	3	2-4	8
Walker	2	0-0	4
Wilson	3	3-9	9
Thomas	0	0-3	0
P. R. Jones	1	0-0	2
TOTALS	17	8-21	42

DOUGLAS	26	26	23	14—89
JOHN.-WMS.	11	15	6	10—42

Douglas Handed 2nd Defeat By Luther Jackson, 73-53

1-30-64

FAIRFAX—Winchester's Douglas High Bulldogs, playing without high-scoring Noah Laws, ventured outside the confines of home-area opposition here Wednesday night for the second time this season and the result was the same as last time: a loss for the Bulldogs.

Applying the defeat was Luther Jackson, to the tune of 77-53. The defeat gave Douglas a 5-2 record.

Laws did not accompany his teammates on the trek, having to work.

The result plainly showed in the Bulldog scoring column with the top Winchester scorer bagging 15 points — Norman Blowe.

The Bulldogs play again Friday when they tackle Criser High School.

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	PTS
Blowe	7	1-6	15
Beemer	3	2-2	8
Curry	5	0-1	10
Grimes	5	1-4	11
Long	3	0-0	6
Baltimore	1	1-1	3
Banks	0	0-0	0
Martin	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	24	5-14	53

JACKSON	FG	FT	PTS
Byrd	6	3-5	15
Hawkins	6	4-10	16
Brandon	3	1-2	7
White	9	1-2	19
Hall	3	0-0	6
Randall	1	0-0	2
Holland	4	0-0	8
Marshall	1	0-0	2
Belfield	1	0-0	2
TOTALS	34	9-19	77

Douglas Favored in Clash With Carver This Evening

By PAT JOYCE
Star Sports Editor

2-18-64

Douglas High resumes action tonight by hosting Carver of Culpeper after an 11 - day layoff because of a postponement last week.

The Bulldogs will take a 7-2 record into the clash. The two defeats have been administered by teams in the same district of VIA competition as Carver.

The Comets aren't of the same caliber as the others, according to records, and Douglas should rank as a favorite in the fracas. Leading the Bulldogs will be Noah Laws, who scored 42 points against Berryville's Johnson-Williams High in Douglas' last outing.

Friday, February 21, 1964

Douglas Romps Past Carver;

Bulldogs Record 95-65 Win As Laws Nets 32 Points

2-21-64

Douglas finally got that warm-up in for tonight's clash with Hoffman - Boston last night as Carver of Culpeper came to town and promptly went home the victim of a 95-65 licking at the hands of the Bulldogs.

Douglas romped to a 25-point first period and kept up the punch the rest of the way as Noah Laws, Butch Curry, et al, scored at a pace gratifying to Coach Ed Barksdale.

Laws was the ringleader again --this time getting 32 points--but Curry chipped in with 23 and Norman Blowe and Bill Beamer also ended up in double figures.

Carver also placed four players in double figures, but not to the degree of success as the Bulldogs.

The Bulldogs were all even with the visitors from the foul line, but since victories pay off largely from the floor in two-point field goals, Douglas' 44-29 margin in that department meant a 30-point difference--the final margin.

The win was Douglas' eighth of the season against two defeats. The locals get a chance to avenge one of those defeats when they tackle Hoffman-Boston, of Arlington, here tonight.

CARVER	FT	FT	PTS
Bowles	7	0-3	14
Anglin	6	3-4	15
Brombey	5	3-4	13
Johnson	1	0-0	2
Humes	7	1-4	15
Mallory	3	0-1	6
TOTALS	29	7-16	65

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	PTS
Blowe	7	2-3	16
Beamer	6	0-0	12
Curry	11	1-1	23
Grimes	3	1-1	7
Long	2	1-1	5
Laws	15	2-5	32 5
Baltimore	0	0-0	0
Martin	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	44	7-11	95

Douglas Handed 3rd Defeat

2-22-64

Arlington's Hoffman – Boston High School proved on thing last night: If it isn't the top team team in the Washinton area, at least it is the master of Winchester's Douglas Bulldogs.

The Trojans administered their second defeat of the season to Douglas, 69-53, here last night for the Bulldogs' third loss of the campaign against eight victories.

It was a bad night all around for the locals who watched the normally high scoring Noah Laws have one of his lesser nights and score only 15 points.

The 15 led the Bulldogs, but was bettered by three visitors as H-B racked up victory number 13 against four setbacks.

THE GAME WAS not close in the first period and not until Laws scored his first field goal of the game with 5:33 left in the half did Douglas catch fire and find the range.

From that point, with Hoffman-Boston leading by 27-18, Douglas roard back to cut the gap to one point at halftime, 32-31. Laws' basket was the first of three in a row for the lanky center.

He tallied three more in the fourth period before fouling out with 2:03 left in the game.

THE TROJANS' Mel Palmer posted 20 points to take high scoring honors, with Sam Latnet netting 17 and Marvin Jordan 16.

Joining Laws in double figures for the losers were Herman Grimes with 13 points and Butch Curry with a dozen. Curry was shaken up in the second period when he hit the floor in a scramble for the ball, but remained in the game.

H-B	FG	FT	PTS
Latney	6	5-8	17
Palmer	10	0-1	20
Jordan	7	2-2	16
Burton	2	0-0	4
White	5	0-1	10
Alfred	0	0-0	0
Gant	0	0-0	0
Greene	0	0-0	0
E. Burton	0	0-0	0
Moore	1	0-0	2
TOTALS	31	7-12	69

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	PTS
Beamer	3	1-4	7
Blowe	3	0-0	6
Curry	6	0-2	12
Long	0	0-0	0
Laws	6	3-4	15
Grimes	5	3-5	13
TOTALS	23	7-15	53

H-B	22	10	18	19--69
DOUGLAS	13	18	7	15--53

Douglas Goes For Win Today

3-7-64

The Bulldogs – still hurting with an ailing Noah Laws--took their almost-perfect season record into the district tournament this afternoon at 7 p.m.

Douglas was slated to play the winners of the fourth and fifth place spots following semi-final action at Criser High School, in Front Royal.

Winners of the tourney will journey to Hampton Tuesday to represent the district in Groups I and II.

Coach Ed Barksdale admits that Laws--who sprained his ankle in a recent game--could make all the difference in the world for the Bulldogs, who have been district champions for nine of the past 10 years.

Bulldogs Take District Title, EyeVa. Crown

3-9-64

The Douglas High School Bulldogs—victorious in Front Royal in the district tournament Saturday—head for Hampton tomorrow in a bid to cop the state Group 2 title.

Coach Ed Barksdale, landing his charges after two good efforts at Criser High School Saturday, said "They made it look easy."

THE BULLDOGS, with ace Noah Laws seeing only limited service, polished off Johnson-Williams of Berryville, 80-59, in the semi-final game, then went on to dump Criser 77-53 in the windup round.

The District II tournament gets under way at Hampton Wednesday at 6 p.m. with Barksdale's Bulldogs meeting Booker T. Washington of Suffolk.

WITH ANY LUCK at all, the Bulldogs will be around for the entire four rounds of the tournament.

A win Wednesday will propel the Winchester quintet into the second round Thursday.

Altogether there are 22 teams taking part in the four-day set-to, with 10 teams from Group I and 12 from Group II. The battlers will come from all over the state for the Hampton hoop wars.

Johnson-Williams, of Berryville, after whipping Luray 69-41 Saturday, stumbled when they [illegible] against Douglas.

However, the Johnson-Williams varsity girls showed [illegible] how it's done, beating the Douglas girls 24-18.

THE BERRYVILLE gals then went on to polish off Lucy Sims of Harrisonburg, 24-20, for the district girls title.

Two awards were presented Saturday at the close of the tournament in Front Royal.

Ernest Turner, of Johnson-Williams, was named Most Valuable Player and Noah Laws won the Daniel Farrar Elks club trophy as the best performer of the match.

TURNER CAME on strong against the Bulldogs in the opener Saturday, scoring 28 points.

But the Winchester aggregation had the bigger guns and pulled away from the Berryville quint early in the match.

In the finisher with Criser, Laws equalled Turner's earlier performance of 28 points against the Front Royal team, getting plenty of help from Curry, with 16, Grimes, 13, and Blowe, 12.

The Bulldogs know their work is cut out for them as they face Suffolk, though. The southern coastal team has a season record of 19 wins and no losses.

Here is the box of the Douglas-Criser game Saturday:

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	PTS
Beamer	2	2	6
Blowe	5	2	12
Baltimore	1	0	2
Curry	8	0	16
Laws	13		28
Grimes	6	1	13
TOTALS	35	7	77

CRISER			
Washington	5	5	15
Barbour	1	3	5
Brooks	2	0	4
Frye	1	1	3
Green	10	0	20
Boyd	2	2	6
TOTALS	21	11	53

LAWS HURT

Douglas Topples Leesburg, 77-61

2-26-64

Douglas High's Bulldogs, playing most of their match with Douglass of Leesburg without the services of Noah Laws, upended their Douglass of Leesburg challengers last night, 77-61.

Laws, the standout performer for Douglass all season, was hurt as he went up for a shot and was fouled early in the second quarter.

Coach Ed Barksdale was so concerned he had Laws bundled off to the hospital where a doctor examined the ailing right ankle and pronounced it severely sprined.

LAWS WAS HIT by a Leesburg man and came down squarely on his ankle, painfully twisting it.

He will probably be out of action for the last two regularly-scheduled contests, but Coach Barksdale hopes to have him back in action when his District One, Group 2 champions go into tournament action March 8.

With the pressure on, Laws' teammates showed they were equal to the task and put on a tremendous surge in the second stanza of the contest.

CURRY BUCKETED a total of 21 points, Grimes 19, and Blowe 16.

Blowe picked up 10 points in the last two quarters.

Laws had amassed 16 markers before his untimely exit.

Douglas, the district title clinched, plays Carver in Culpeper on Friday and then takes on Luther Jackson, of Fairfax, in Winchester next Tuesday.

The local aggregation's record is 9-3.

THE TOURNAMENT opens March 7 in Front Royal with Douglas, as first place finishers, drawing a bye.

Barksdale's charges go against the winner of a game between fourth and fifth place finishers, Harrisonburg or Luray.

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	PTS
Evans	7	1	15
Turner	2	5	9
Tracy	0	1	1
M. Turner	3	0	6
Bryant	1	1	3
Randolph	1	0	2
TOTALS	25	11	61

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	PTS
Laws	7	2	16
Beamer	2	0	4
Blowe	7	2	16
Curry	8	5	21
Long	0	1	1
Grimes	7	5	19
TOTALS	31	15	77

Douglas Bumped From II Tourney

3-13-64

HAMTON — The Douglas Bulldogs were eliminated from the Group II basketball tournament Wednesday night by Booker T. High, 76-43.

The Booker T. five have been strong all year.

They have won 23 games in going through the year undefeated, and are favored to win the state championship.

[illegible] gun as he used all of his 6 ft.-5in. to top the night's scoring with 25 points. Booker T. used its height advantage well in placing five players in double figures.

Noah Laws led the way for the Bulldogs, in their effort with his 21 points, but Douglas found their opponents with too much "artillery".

Douglas did well in holding the winners close through the first quarter and went into the half-time break behind only 6 points, 30-24.

DOUGLAS	FG	FT	PTS
Beamer	2	2	6
Blowe	1	2	4
Curry	3	2	8
Grimes	1	0	2
Laws	7	7	21
Long	1	0	2
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BOOKER T.	FG	FT	PTS
Brinkley	2	0	4
Howell	6	2	14
Riddick	4	2	10
L. Tillery	5	1	11
Copeland	5	0	10
Byrd	1	0	2
R. Tillery	10	5	25
TOTALS	33	10	76

DOUGLAS	12	12	7	12	43
BOOKER T.	13	17	21	25	76

1964 Football

Douglas tried to field a team in 1964 but could not due to lack of players.

1964-1965 Basketball

Douglas again won their District (10th of last 11 seasons), but again lost to Booker T Washington of Staunton in the State Tournament. The Bulldogs finished with an 8-7 record. William Beamer tied the Douglas single game scoring record with 46 points against Carver of Culpeper. John "Randy" Carter scored 46 points in 1955 against Ramer of Martinsburg.

Team members: William Beamer, Robert Baltimore, Norman Blowe, Randolph Martin, Harry Williams, Irving Baltimore, Ronald Shields, Robert Nelson, Larry Banks and Joe Cook.

Leading scorers:	Norman Blowe	289 points	20.6 % average
	William Beamer	260 points	18.8%

1964

Football At Douglas — A Question Mark

FOOTBALL AT Douglas High School for 1964 is, at this time one big question mark.

Before the beginning of school only two games were definitely scheduled—Douglas High School of Leesburg, and Jeanne Dean of Manassas.

Coach Ed Barksdale seemed rather disappointed with the probabilities.

There is the possibility that two games might be arranged with Johnson - Williams High School, Berryville, and Coach Barksdale said, "If we schedule two with Johnson-Williams, we will field a team, but there is another if — if we can get enough boys to form a reasonable squad."

THE DOUGLAS TEAM was small in numbers last year but there is no indication that more than 17 boys, as the maximum, will be suited up this year. Several of the prospects that would normally have been playing at Douglas have transferred into Handley and others have dropped out of school, Mr. Barksdale said.

"For this reason," Barksdale continued," we have dropped Cardoza High (Washington) and Burley High (Charlottesville). "I had hoped that Front Royal (Criser) and Harrisonburg (Lucy Simms) would be able to play us but it seems that they won't field teams."

Assuming that Douglas fields a team this is the outlook, position by position:

ENDS: Larry Banks was a half back last year but will probably be converted to end. He is in the 10th grade, weighs 170 lbs., and will be in his second year of football.

William Beamer may be the other end. He was also a halfback last year but will be converted. Beamer is also in the 10th grade, weighs about 160 lbs., and has the speed to do the job.

TACKLES: Ronald Nelson, at 172 lbs., a junior, is the most experienced boy that coach Barksdale has. He will be in his third year of football.

Oliver Jackson probably will be at the other side. He is a 10th grader in his second year at the game. At 223 lbs., he is the heaviest boy slated for the squad.

Another boy slated to play, at tackle, is Calvin Brown. He didn't play last year, but his 165 lbs., will prove to be valuable.

GUARDS: Wayne King, the center last year will be moved one notch. He is 162 lbs., a junior, with one year of experience.

The other guard will be either Fred Smith, 130 lbs., a 10th grader in his second year or Leslie Blowe, a 132 lb. junior, who is also in his second year.

CENTER: Richard Williams is picked as the best bet to replace King as the center. Williams is a senior, weighs 170 lbs., and is in his second year of football.

HALF-BACKS: There are four possibilities at half-back.

The most likely of these prospects are Irvin Baltimore and Randolph Martin. Baltimore is a 10th grader, who weighs about 145 lbs. Martin is a junior who weighs 130 lbs. These two boys have each had a previous year of experience that will give them the edge over two promising freshmen, Paul Washington and John Briscoe.

Washington and Brisco each weighs about 145 lbs.

FULLBACKS: The best prospect here appears to be a ninth-grader—Richard Berger. Berger practiced with the team some last year but has not played. His 210 lbs. is large enough to get the short yardage.

Quarter-back: This position, always a key factor for any team and certainly a key if Douglas is to improve or even maintain its winning record (3-2-0 in 1963), will be placed in the hands of Norman Blowe. Blowe played as the tight end for coach Barksdale, last year, and while he has that year of experience behind him, this will be the first attempt for the junior as a quarterback.

Douglas Will Field a Grid Team in '64

10-1-64

Douglas High School will field a team in '64—thanks to an anonymous benevolent donor of $250 to finance the insurance program for the Bulldogs' gridders.

The good news for the DHS gridders came last night. However, it still is uncertwin whether Douglas will play this weekend with Carver for its opener, because of schedule difficulties.

If Ed Barksdale's locals don't open this week they'll open next week with Johnson-Williams on October 10 at Berryville.

Douglas has long been an area powerhouse and two years ago upset Cardoza of Washington, 6-0, in one of the Cinderella games of the decade in area scholastic circles.

Douglas Unable to Schedule Games

10-12-64

Douglas High, stymied early in the grid season by a lack of funds for insurance for its football season, has been stopped from playing the sport in 1964 because of schedule difficulties.

The Bulldogs were unable to pick up any games at this late date becuase other area schools have completed the '64 slates.

Ed Barksdale, Douglas coach, expressed his regret that the school could not field a team in 1964 and thanked the anonymous donor that contributed the money to help Douglas to field a team this year.

The Bulldogs, a perennial sports power in area athletic circles, will definitely field a basketball team, according to Barksdale. Also, he emphasized that he should be able to field a team in football for the '65 season.

1964 – 1965
Douglas Basketball
8 – 7

			D	O
Dec	9	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	60	70
	12	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	67	56
Jan	13	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	77	56
	18	Criser – Front Royal, VA	52	56
	23	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	51	53
	26	Page Jackson – Charles Town, WV	102	41
	30	West Luray, Luray, VA	81	47
Feb	3	Carver – Culpeper, VA	104	106
	5	West Luray, Luray, VA	69	42
	10	Carver – Culpeper, VA	69	71
	15	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	65	63
Mar	2	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	67	68
		DISTRICT TOURNAMENT		
	8	Lucy Simms – Harrisonburg, VA	53	47
	8	Johnson Williams, Berryville, VA	61	49
		STATE TOURNAMENT		
	11	Booker T Washington – Staunton, VA	42	71

William Beamer tied the Douglas single game scoring record with 46 points against Carver on February 10th.

POINTS: Douglas - 1020
Opponents - 896

PREVIEW NUMBER 5

Douglas Five Has Good Shooters, Little Height

12-7-64

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the fifth in a series of previews on area basketball teams. Tomorrow we'll discuss Johnson - Williams of Berryville.)

By RUSS POTTS
Star Sports Editor

If tradition means anything at all, Douglas High School and Coach Ed Barksdale will have another winning basketball team.

COACH BARKSDALE in his 16th year of coaching, lost a lot by graduation and most of it was contained in one boy— Noah Laws.

Noah was a coach's dream. He can run, shoot, dribble, rebound, and play defense.

Noah averaged 26.3 per game. Another boy who'll be sorely missed is Clarence Curry, a 6-2, 18-point scorer who's ineligible.

Herman Grimes, a 14.3 scorer, is also ineligible. Robert Long, a 7' -point scorer departed via the diploma route.

THIS YEAR THE Bulldogs will depend more on hustle, speed, and the intangibles than any Douglas team in recent years.

The boy to watch is Norman Blowe, a 6-1 senior who has it all. Last year Norman was the boy who fed Noah on his scoring binges.

Blowe is an excellent floor man, and drives the opposition crazy with his antics. In 63-64 Norm averaged 13.6 per contest.

In the words of Barksdale, "Blowe is the quarterback of this year's team. He has the potential that Laws possesses."

WILLIAM BEAMER, a 15.4 scorer last year, will team with Blowe as the other gold-dust twin for the Kent Streeters. Together they would make up the area's most prolific scoring pair.

Rounding out the starting five is Harry Williams, a 5-9 sophomore up from the jayvees, Irving Baltimore, a 5-9 senior who saw limited action last year, and Randolph Martin, a 5-8 junior, round out the five.

Battling for the fifth spot is Ronald Shields, a 5-10 junior who can shoot but needs work on defense and some more experience.

THE BIG PROBLEM this year is lack of height and rebounding strength. But Barksdale said, "The defense is aggressive. We play both a zone and man-to-man and the boys have shown a lot of spirit."

Other boys who'll see lots of action are Charles Reed, a 5-8 sophomore, Robert Nelson, a 5-7 soph., Larry Banks, a 6-foot sophomore who may replace Curry, John Brisco, a 5-11 frosh, and freshman Robert Baltimore, a shifty, smooth ball handler who led the jayvees in scoring last season.

BARKSDALE rates the rest of the Group 2 VIA league this way not including his own team: 1—Johnson-Williams, 2 — Lucy Simms of Harrisonburg, 3—Criser of Front Royal, 4—West Luray. He added, "Johnson-Williams has a fine team and should be the team to beat."

Douglas opens tomorrow night at Leesburg versus Douglass' Rams.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE
64-65

HOME	DATE
Douglass, away	Dec. 8
Lucy Simms, home	Dec. 11
Douglass, home	Jan. 12
Johnson-Williams, away	Jan. 16
Lucy Simms, away	Jan. 22
West Luray	Jan. 29
Garver, away	Feb. 2
West Luray, away	Feb. 4
Carver	Feb. 9
Johnson-Williams	Feb. 13
Staunton, away	Feb. 19
Criser	Feb. 23
Central Augustus	Feb. 26

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DOUGLAS BULLDOGS — Coach Ed Barksdale flanks his '64-65 Douglas Bulldogs. The locals open tomorrow night in Leesburg versus a tough Douglass Rams' quint.

WINCHESTER EVENING STAR 15
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 9, 1964

Douglas Bows To Leesburg, 70-60

LEESBURG — Douglass of Leesburg used their superior height and experience to advantage here last night to defeat Douglas of Winchester, 70-50.

The host Rams outscored the visitors in every period except the third when the Bulldogs had a hot canto.

REGIE EVANS, a 15-year-old sophomore had a fabulous night as he dumped in 31 points on 12 goals and seven free throws for 31 points. Mike Turner had 16 to rank behind Evans.

William Beamer bucketed 15 to take down honors for the locals. Norman Blowe, a fine player, was held to just five goals for ten points.

IRVING BALTIMORE had 12 points and Harry Williams 10 for other double figure scorers.

Douglas trailed at the half, 38-24. It was the season debut for Coach Ed Barksdale's five. They play Lucy Simms at home Friday night in their next contest.

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
William Beamer	5	5	15
Robert Baltimore	3	1	7
Norman Blowe	5	0	10
Randolph Martin	1	4	6
Harry Williams	4	2	10
Irving Baltimore	4	4	12
Ronald Shields	0	0	0
Larry Banks	0	0	0
TOTALS	22	16	60

DOUGLASS

	G	F	T
Reggie Evans	12	7	31
Mike Turner	5	6	16
John Carter	3	1	7
Sam Corbin	3	1	7
William Tracy	2	3	7
Dennis Lucas	1	0	2
TOTALS	26	18	70

Douglas	7	17	24	12—60
Douglass	19	19	13	19—70

1ST WIN FOR BULLDOGS

Douglas Trips Simms

12-12-64

Douglas High School, led by the scoring of Norm Blowe and William Beamer and the rebounding of Harry Williams, rolled to their first victory of the young season last night over Lucy Simms at Douglas.

IT WAS A belated Homecoming for the Bulldogs because the locals didn't play football and Coach Ed Barksdale's charges took full advantage of the celebration in front of the full house.

Blowe, a lad Bardsdale calls, "another Noah Laws," bucketed 24 points to take game scoring honors. Norman hit on 10 goals and four for five from the charity stripe.

William Beamer, a prolific scorer for the past two years, ripped the nets for 20 points on ten goals.

Charles Curry, cousin of former Douglas great Clarence, tallied 22 to lead the fallen Simms quint.

THE WIN evened the Bulldogs record at 1-1 after an opening loss to Douglass of Leesburg Tuesday night.

Douglas outscored the Harrisonburg boys 29-23 from the floor and in every quarter but the fourth when Coach Bardsdale substituted freely.

The loss was the second straight for Simms.

LUCY SIMMS

	G	F	T
Edward Temple	3	4-8	10
Larry Madden	5	0-0	10
Charlie Cubbage	3	0-1	6
Joseph James	1	0-2	2
Charles Curry	9	4-6	22
Charles Byrd	2	2-4	6
TOTALS	23	10-22	56

DOUGLAS

Irving Baltimore	3	3-4	9
Randolph Martin	2	0-1	4
Ronald Shields	9	2-3	2
Norman Blowe	10	4-5	24
William Beamer	10	0-1	20
Robert Baltimore	1	0-1	6
Harry Williams	3	0-1	6
TOTALS	29	9-15	67

LUCY SIMMS	14	7	14	21-56
DOUGLAS	17	20	20	10-67

Bulldogs Avenge Defeat

Douglas Topples Leesburg, 77-56

1-13-65

The high scoring duo of William Beamer and Norman Blowe combined for 50 points last night to topple Douglas of Leesburg, 77-56 at Douglas.

Beamer ripped through 27 points on 10 goals and seven for ten free throw attempts. Blowe converted one free throw and sank 11 goals.

JOE COOK, a late addition to the team, aided his team's cause greatly with his rebounding and scored six points for the Bulldogs.

The win placed the locals at 2-1 on the season and primed them for two big games this weekend.

Friday Coach Ed Barksdale's Kent Streeters travel to Front Royal and Saturday they journey to Berryville to face Criser High.

REGGIE EVANS, who tallied 30 points in an opening victory over Douglas at Leesburg, was held to only seven points last night by the aggressive defense that Douglas threw up.

Mike Turner led the Rams with 14 points on three goals and eight for nine at the line.

DOUGLAS bagged 31 big fielders while holding the Loudoun County outfit to just 19 goals.

In only the final frame when Barksdale substituted freely did Douglas fail to outscore the Rams.



WILLIAM BEAMER

LEESBURG

	G	F	T
Evans	3	1-1	7
Turner	3	8-9	14
Carter	1	2-3	4
Corbin	1	3-4	5
Brown	1	3-3	5
Lucas	4	0-3	8
Tracey	4	1-4	9
Brooks	2	0-0	4
TOTALS	19	18-26	56

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Baltimore	1	2-3	4
Beamer	10	7-10	27
Blowe	11	1-3	23
Cook	1	4-6	6
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Martin	3	1-4	7
Baltimore	1	0-1	2
Shields	2	0-0	4
Ronald Nelson	0	0-0	0
Robert Nelson	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	31	15-28	77

LEESBURG	7	14	8	27-56
DOUGLAS	19	21	17	20-77



NORMAN BLOWE

BLOWE TALLIES 23

Criser Upsets Douglas, 56-52

1-18-65

FRONT ROYAL — An upstart Criser High quint upset Douglas 56-52 Friday night in a Virginia Interscholastic Association game on the winners' court.

The Lancers, who upset Johnson-Williams earlier this year, moved into the lead in the District with the win.

THE LOSS dropped Douglas to 2-2 on the season and to 1-1 in the league.

William Beamer, the Bulldogs' normally high scoring forward had a cold hand Friday night and manage only seven points, far below his average.

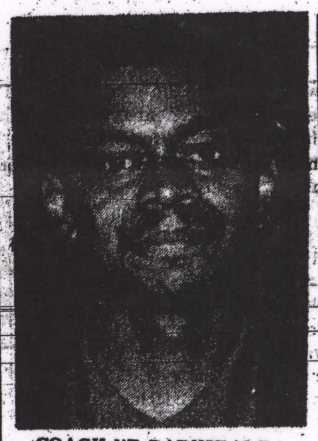
Norman Blowe was his normal high scoring self with 23 points to lead the locals. Norman bagged 11 goals and a free throw.

HARRY WILLIAMS rebounded well for Coach Ed Barksdale's Kent Streeters and rammed in 12 points on five goals and two for two at the line.

Charles Green led Criser with 23 on nine goals and five charity tosses. Ernest Washington, a speedy guard on the fast break, gathered 15 markers.

Douglas used a full-court press on the winners the whole game and after three periods the court read, 35-35.

BUT CRISER outscored Douglas in the final frame, 21-17 to eke out the victory.



COACH ED BARKSDALE

Beamer missed 14 shots from the floor to further hurt the Bulldog cause. Blowe fouled out with two minutes remaining and the scoreboard reading, 48-48.

SATURDAY'S Johnson - Williams-Douglas tussle in Berryville was postponed because of snow. The game will be played at a later date.

This Friday night Douglas travels to Lucy Simms for another league game.

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Irving Baltimore	0	1-6	1
Randolph Martin	1	0-1	2
William Beamer	1	3-5	7
Norman Blowe	11	1-2	23
Joe Cook	2	3-4	7
Harry Williams	5	2-2	12
Robert Baltimore	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	21	10-18	52

CRISER

	G	F	T
Ernest Washington	7	1-2	15
Charles Green	9	5-9	23
Fred Richburg	2	1-3	5
Randall Boyd	4	1-4	9
Wayne Brooks	2	0-3	4
Ken King	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	24	8-18	56

DOUGLAS	13	10	12	17-52
CRISER	6	22	19	21-56



RANDOLPH MARTIN

Lucy Simms Edges Douglas, 53-51

1-23-65

[illegible]ARRISONBURG — Lucy Simms scored [illegible] 53-51 last night as the [illegible] threw five chances in the last twelve seconds to tie the game.

DOUGLAS SHOT FOUR times from underneath the bucket but couldn't bag the crucial two that would have tied the game.

The loss dropped the locals to 2-3 on the season and was the second straight for Coach Ed Barksdale's lads.

Harry Williams missed five free throws and William Beamer, a 20-plus scorer all year for Douglas, didn't score a field goal the first half.

ANOTHER REGULAR, Joe Cook, failed to score for the Kent Streeters. The loss dropped the Bulldogs to 1-2 in District 1 of the Virginia Interscholastic Association.

Coach Barksdale said of his team's efforts, "I'm very displeased with our play. We were outhustled and the inconsistency of our play was bad. We showed lazy play and relaxed too much."

Douglas hosts last place Luray Friday night in their next game.

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Beamer	2	2-3	6
Martin	5	1-2	11
Cook	0	0-0	0
Blowe	10	2-4	22
Williams	3	1-6	7
Baltimore	2	1-2	5
Ron Nelson	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	22	7-17	51

LUCY SIMMS

	G	F	T
Floyd Temple	3	2-5	8
Larry Madden	10	2-4	22
Craig Curry	6	2-7	14
Howard Byrd	1	0-1	2
Carter Bundy	1	0-0	2
Charles Cubbage	2	1-2	5
TOTALS	23	7-19	53

DOUGLAS	14	18	6	13	- 51
LUCY SIMMS	16	13	14	10	- 53

BULLDOGS EVEN RECORD

Douglas Bombs W. Luray

1-30-65

Douglas evened their record last night by downing West Luray, 81-47. The Bulldogs are now three and three on the season.

Douglas jumped off to a quick, 22-8 first quarter lead and coasted home to victory.

AT THE END of the first half, Douglas held a 45-21 lead and Coach Ed Barksdale started substituting freely.

The score would have been a lot higher if the Douglas men could have hit on more of their shots. The Bulldogs took 86 shots from the floor but only connected on 35 of them.

At the charity stripe Douglas hit on 11 of 13 free throws. Coach Barksdale stated that this was the best his squad had hit from the line this season.

NORMAN BLOWE continued to take scoring honors for the Bulldogs as he dropped in 31 points. He had 15 field goals and one free throw. This was Norman's best night of the season and it was the big dividend Coach Brakesdale had been expecting from him all season.

Douglas also got great support from William Bramer who dropped in 16 points and Irvining Baltimore who added 14 points. Harry Williams played his usual good game and contributed nine points to the Douglas winning cause.

MELVIN WASHINGTON lead West Luray with 17 points and Aubrey Tutt chipped in with 14 points. But, they were hot able to contend with Blowe, Williams and Company. When these two missed the boards were controlled by the locals.

This was one of the best games the Bulldogs have played this season and the type of game they are capable of playing.

The Bulldogs' next game is at Culpeper this coming Tuesday night against Carver. Douglas doesn't return home until they meet Carver, for the second time, on February 9.



IRVING BALTIMORE

WEST LURAY

	G	F	T
Henry Veney	1	0-0	2
Melvin Washington	6	5-6	17
Marvin Taylor	2	0-0	4
Aubrey Tutt	5	3-5	13
Walter Short	1	0-0	2
Melvin Carter	3	1-5	7
TOTALS	18	9-17	47

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
William Bamer	7	2-2	16
Randolph Martin	1	2-3	4
Norman Blowe	15	1-1	31
Harry Williams	4	1-1	9
Larry Banks	1	1-2	3
Ervin Baltimore	5	4-4	14
Ronald Nelson	1	0-0	2
Ronald Shields	1	0-0	2
Joseph Cook	0	0-0	0
Robert Baltimore	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	35	11-13	81

WEST LURAY	8	15	12	12-47
DOUGLAS	22	23	23	15-81

Bulldogs, 5-4

Douglas Trips West Luray

2-5-65



DAVID NELSON

LURAY — Douglas waltzed over West Luray High here last night to the tune of a 69-42 thumping in a District 1 game.

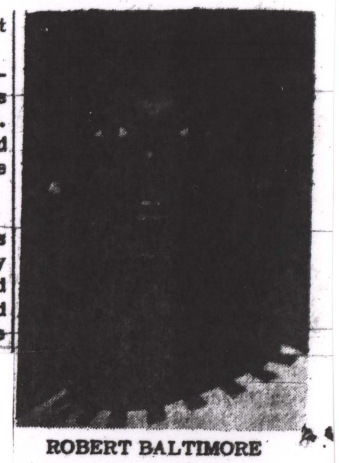
The Bulldogs upped their mark on the season to 5-4 overall.

THE HIGH-scoring duo of Norman Blowe and William Beamer again pulled down the laurels for the Kent Streeters with 26 and 19 points respectively.

Kenny Washington led Luray with 14 points and Phil Hunter had 12. James Tutt had eight for the losers.

Larry Banks played an outstanding game under the boards and tallied nine for Douglas. Irving Baltimore had six and Randolph Martin five for the winners.

DOUGLAS BANGED in 30 goals to 19 for the hosts in the easy victory. Coach Ed Barksdale said of the victory, "We experimented last night. The rebounding of Joe Cooke and Larry Banks was outstanding. The floor game and defenive efforts of Irving Baltimore and Randolph Martin was sharp also.



ROBERT BALTIMORE

In the jayvee tilt the locals upped their season mark to 4-3 overall with a 54-41 win over the Luray jayvees. Paul Washington, a 5-4 hustler, had 21 for Douglas.

DOUGLAS' next game is Tuesday night at home versus Carver of Culpeper. Next Saturday Johnson-Williams and the Bulldogs collide in their annual grudge rivalry at Douglas.

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Beamer	9	1-6	19
I. Baltimore	3	0-0	6
Blowe	12	2-4	26
Banks	3	3-4	9
Cooke	2	0-0	4
Shields	0	0-0	0
Martin	1	3-3	5
Rub. Nelson	0	0-0	0
Ron. Nelson	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	30	9-17	69

WEST LURAY

	G	F	T
Veney	1	0-1	2
Washington	6	2-3	14
Burrel	0	0-1	0
Taylor	3	0-1	6
Tutt	3	2-3	8
Hunter	5	2-3	12
TOTALS	18	6-11	42

DOUGLAS	10	13	23	23-69
DOUGLAS	10	13	23	23-69
WEST LURAY	6	8	8	20-42

Bulldogs Lose Thriller

Carver Nips Douglas

2-3-65

CULPEPER — Carver High nipped Douglas, 106-104 in the area's wildest scoring game of the year.

Bob Bumbrey tallied 41 points and Ed Anglin 27 to lead Carver in the wild affair.

NORMAN BLOWE banged in 38 and William Beamer 27 to lead the Bulldogs. The win upped the Kent Streeters to 4-4 on the season.

Last week Douglas won a non-league game with Charles Town that was not listed on their original schedule of games.

Douglas shot an amazing percentage from the floor as the locals missed only twenty shots all night.

THE REBOUNDING of Blowe, Harry Williams, and Ed Banks was another highlight for Coach Ed Barksdale's boys.

Thursday night Douglas travels to Luray to meet West Luray High.

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Beamer	12	3-4	27
I. Baltimore	6	7	3-3	17
Blowe	14	10-11	38
Banks	6	3-4	15
Williams	3	1-3	7
TOTALS	42	20-25	104

CARVER

Bowles	3	3-5	9
Anglin	13	1-2	27
Robertson	5	1-1	11
Bumbrey	19	3-6	41
Strother	7	0-0	14
Hatcherson	2	0-0	4
TOTALS	49	8-14	106

DOUGLAS	26	35	30	23-104
CARVER	20	22	36	28-106



NORM BLOWE

WINCHESTER EVENING STAR
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BEAMER BAGS 46

Carver Edges Douglas Again

2-10-65

Carver did it again, by the same margin too, as Douglas lost to the Culpeper quint, 71-69 last night at Douglas.

William Beamer went on a great, 46-point scoring binge for the Bulldogs in a fabulous display of shooting of ball hawking.

performance was the greatest on a single night of any player I've ever coached. He was just great."

But Beamer, who hit for 17 field goals and a perfect 12 for 12 at the line, wasn't enough against the taller Carver five.

ONLY Norman Blowe hit in double digits for the Kent Streeters besides Beamer. Blowe tallied 15.

Bob Bombrey led Carver with 24. Ed Strother had 19 for the winners also.

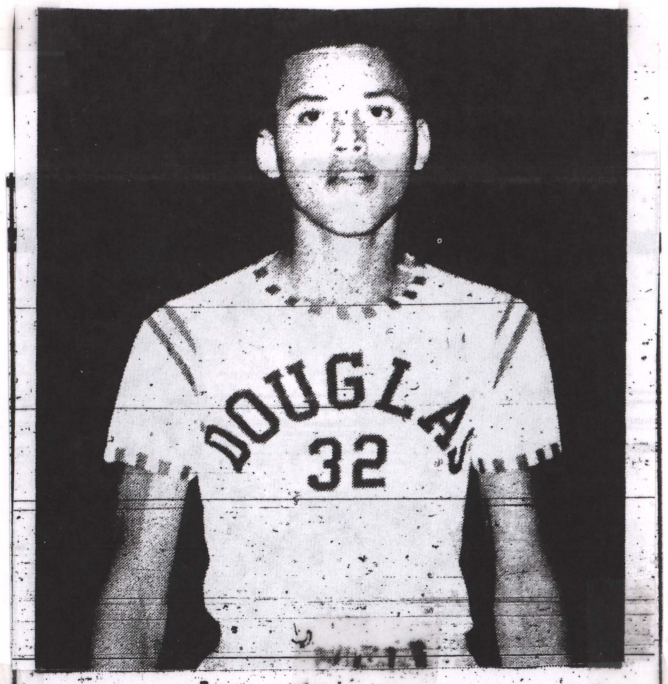
THE LOSS dropped Douglas to 5-5 overall and set them up for Saturday night and their battle with arch rival Johnson-Williams in the Douglas gym.

las said of Beamer, "Last night's

CARVER	G	F	T
Bowles	3	2-2	8
Anglin	4	0-2	8
Robertson	3	4-6	10
Bombrey	9	6-8	24
Strother	9	1-2	19
Hutchinson	0	2-2	2
TOTALS	28	15-22	71

DOUGLAS	G	F	T
Beamer	17	12-12	46
Baltimore, I.	1	0-0	2
Blowe	6	3-6	15
Williams	0	2-5	2
Banks	1	0-0	2
Cooke	0	0-2	0
Martin	1	0-1	2
Baltimore, R.	0	0-0	0
Nelson, R.	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	26	17-26	69

CARVER	9	21	18	23-71
DOUGLAS	13	17	20	19-69



WILLIAM BEAMER — Enjoyed one of the greatest nights in area high school basketball history last night by pouring in 46 points against Carver High. Bulldogs lost squeaker, 71-69.

WILLIAM BEAMER — The 6-2 junior led Douglas in scoring last night with 16 points against unbeaten Booker T. Washington of Staunton. Bulldogs lost in first round of the state tourney.

Douglas Nips Tigers In Thriller, 65-63

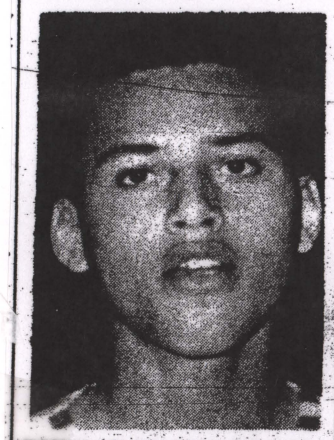
2-15-65

Douglas edged arch rival Johnson-Williams, 65-63 in a frenzied affair at Douglas Saturday night.

The Bulldogs blew a five-point lead in the closing seconds but held on to nip the Berryville quint. Douglas upped their record to 6-5 with the victory.

JOHNSON-WILLIAMS dropped to 7-6 on the season. The two teams meet again in Berryville later this season.

William Beamer paced the Douglas attack with 28 points. William connected on 11 goals and six for six at the line.



DOUGLAS' WILLIAM BEAMER

Norman Blowe's 18 and Harry Williams' 13 was good enough for runner-up honors for Douglas.

EARNEST Turner meshed nine goals and a fine 15 for 18 at the charity stripe for a game high of 33 points.

Dave Thomas and Larry Allison had 11 apiece for the visitors. High scoring Paige Williams, the 6-5 J-W giant, tallied only two points.

Johnson-Williams had the best of things at the foul line, hitting on 27 of 35 attempts.

DOUGLAS converted 13 of 21 shots at the stripe.

Johnson-Williams jumped off to a 4-0 lead, then kept that margin for a 18-14 first period lead.

But Douglas went wild in the second canto, scoring 28 points to ice the victory.

Douglas hit on 26 of 59 shots from the floor.

JOHNSON-WILLIAMS	G	F	T
Thomas	2	7-11	11
Walker	2	0-0	4
Allison	3	5-6	11
Williams	1	0-0	2
Paige	1	0-0	2
Turner	9	15-18	33
TOTALS	18	27-35	63

DOUGLAS	G	F	T
Beamer	11	6-6	28
Washington	1	0-0	2
Blowe	7	4-7	18
Williams	6	1-3	13
Banks	0	1-2	1
Martin	0	1-2	1
Cooke	0	0-0	0
Baltimore, I.	1	0-0	2
TOTALS	26	13-21	65

Johnson-Wms.	18	19	17	9-63
Douglas	14	28	15	10-65

Johnson-Williams Nips Arch Rival Douglas

3-2-65

BERRYVILLE — Johnson-Williams pinned the first defeat on Douglas since 1959 in their annual rivalry Saturday night by tripping the Bulldogs, 68-67.

Five Tigers scored in double figures as the hosts avenged an earlier defeat they suffered to Douglas in Winchester.

ERNEST Turner, a terrific all-around athlete, led the way for Williams with 20 points. But he had a lot of help from four other double digit scorers.

Ellis Paige tallied the winning bucket with six seconds left in regulation to nip the Bulldogs.

A packed house watched the two old rivals collide.

The victory tied the Tigers with the Bulldogs in league play with a 5-3 mark. The two clubs will play Saturday morning at 10 a.m. in the District 1, VIA Tourney's first round at Harrisonburg.

THE WINNER of that tilt will play the winner of the Criser-Lucy Simms vs. West Luray winner. Luray and Simms play at 12 noon Saturday.

Criser, the first place team, drew a first round bye as regular season champ.

The finals of the tourney will be played at 8 p.m. Saturday night. David Thomas and Larry Allison tallied 14 points apiece for the winners.

JOHN Walker and Paige had 10 each for the Berryville quint. Norman Blowe led the Winchester boys with 23. His mate, William Beamer had 18 and Harry Williams bagged 13.

The difference in the game came at the foul line where Douglas had one less free throw. Both clubs tallied 52 points from the floor.

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Beamer	7	4-7	18
Baltimore, R.	1	2-2	4
Blowe	9	5-6	23
Williams	5	3-5	13
Banks	3	0-0	6
Martin	1	1-2	3
TOTALS	26	15-22	67

JOHNSON-WILLIAMS

Thomas	3	8-10	14
Walker	5	0-0	10
Allison	7	0-3	14
Paige	4	2-4	10
Turner	7	6-11	20
TOTALS	26	16-28	68

Douglas	11	12	19	25-67
Johnson-Wms.	12	21	18	17-68

Douglas Clips Tigers, Simms to Win Title

3-8-65

HARRISONBURG — Douglas captured the Virginia Interscholastic Association, District 1 Championship here Saturday by clipping arch rival Johnson-Williams and Lucy Simms.

The Bulldogs upended the Tigers in the semi-final round and then bounced host Lucy Simms in the final for the championship.

DOUGLAS WILL journey to Hampton Thursday for the State V. I. A. Championships. Their opponent has not been set yet.

In the semi-final game Douglas overcame a double-team on Norman Blowe and cut loose teammate Harry Williams under the bucket for 14 points to clip Johnson-Williams, 61-49.

Blowe tallied 16 points in spite of the Tigers' defensive tactics. That duo was joined by Robert Baltimore with 13 points.

Ernest Turner led the Tigers with 14 in the semi-final game. John Walker had 12 for the Berryville boys.

IN THE Championship game Douglas exploded for 19 points in the final canto to sink Lucy Simms, 53-47. William Beamer, who was hampered by an injured ankle against Johnson-Williams, bagged 14 in the final.

HARRY WILLIAMS, enjoying another top night, had 14 for the Kent Streeters.

Ed Madden led the Harrisonburg quint with 16. Curry had 13 for Simms.

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Beamer	5	4-6	14
Baltimore, R.	1	1-3	3
Blowe	3	2-5	8
Williams	7	0-0	14
Banks	0	0-1	2
Martin	3	3-5	9
Baltimore, I.	0	3-5	3
TOTALS	20	13-27	53

LUCY SIMMS

	G	F	T
Temple	3	1-3	7
Johnson, W.	2	1-2	5
Madden	4	8-15	16
Cubbage	1	0-0	2
Curry	6	1-2	13
Bundy	2	0-0	4
Johnson	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	18	11-22	47

DOUGLAS	11	12	11	19-53
LUCY SIMMS	14	11	8	14-47

JOHNSON-WILLIAMS

	g	f	t
Thomas	2	3-5	7
Walker	3	6-9	12
Allison	4	0-0	8
Turner	7	0-2	14
Paige	2	0-1	4
Mason	1	0-0	2
TOTALS	19	9-18	49

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Beamer	0	0-1	1
Baltimore, R.	6	1-3	13
Blowe	6	4-5	16
Williams	6	2-3	14
Banks	3	0-0	6
Martin	0	6-8	6
Baltimore, I.	1	1-2	3
Nelson, Rob.	1	0-0	2
Cook	0	0-0	0
Washington	0	0-0	0
Nelson, Ron.	0	0-0	0
Shields	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	23	15-22	61

J-WILLIAMS	12	5	18	13-49
DOUGLAS	7	23	22	16-61

ROUGH OPPOSITION

Douglas Plays Staunton In State Tourney

3-10-65

HAMPTON (AP)—Preliminary round action is scheduled today and tonight in the VIA basketball tournament with Group I champion Armstrong of Richmond and Group II titleholder Booker T. of Suffolk drawing byes.

Two games are on tap in each group to narrow down the field to eight teams each for Thursday's opening round.

Central of Sussex meets Dunbar of Lynchburg at 4 p.m. and Maggie Walker of Richmond plays Parker Gray of Alexandria at 8:30 in Group I. Booker T. of Staunton tackles Douglas of Winchester at 2:30 and T. C. Walker of Gloucester plays Tazewell County at 7 in Group II.

Thursday's first round in Group I matches Armstrong against the Central-Dunbar winner at noon, J. S. Russell of Lawrenceville against Carver of Newport News at 3 p.m., Langston of Danville against the Maggie Walker p Parker Gray winner at 7 and Booker T. of Norfolk against Lugher Jackson of Fairfax at 8:30.

In Group II Thursday, Ralph Bunche of Edgehill plays A. G. Richardson of Louisa at 9 a.m., Central of Amherst meets Carter G. Woodson of Hopewell at 10:30 a.m., Booker T. of Suffolk plays the Staunton-Douglas winner at 1:30 p.m. and Carver of Salem meets the Walker-Tazewell County winner at 4:30 p.m.

Group I semifinals are set for Friday at 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. with the Grtup II semifinals at 5 and 8. The Group II title game will be played Saturday at 7, the Group I championship tussle at 8:30.

IN STATE TOURNEY

Douglas Bows To Staunton

3-11-65

HAMPTON — Douglas High ended their season on a sour note yesterday by taking a 71-42 thumping from Booker T. Washington High of Staunton in the first round of the Virginia Interscholastic Association Tourney at Hampton Institute.

WILLIAM BEAMER with 16 and Norman Blowe with 12 points led the double digit parade for the locals. But rebounding was the Archilles Heels for Coach Ed Barksdale's boys.

Sophomore Jerry Venable, a smooth 6-4 star, led the unbeaten Staunton quint to their 23rd straight win. Today Staunton and Suffolk collided at 1:30 p.m.

SUFFOLK, Staunton's opponent, will take a 47-game win streak into the fray.

The loss dropped Barksdale's five to 10-9 overall. In the rebounding department for the locals Banks and Blowe led with six each.

Venable tallied 26 points and pulled down 17 rebounds for Booker T. Teammate Jerome Miller had 17 rebounds and 13 points.

The defending champions swung into action today in the VIA Group I and Group II basketball tournaments with four teams having been eliminated in preliminary competition.

Group I titleholder Armstrong of Richmond had a date at noon against Dunbar of Lynchburg, 92 - 43 winner Wednesday over Central of Sussex in the preliminary round. Maggie Walker of Richmond trounced Parker Gray of Alexandria 78-58 in the other Group I preliminary.

Booker T. of Suffolk, the defending champion in Group II, was paired at 1:30 p.m. against Booker T. of Staunton, which routed Douglas of Winchester 71-32 in Wednesday's preliminary round. In the other Group II game, T. C. Walker of Gloucester whipped Tazewell County 72-52.

Other pairings today in Group I sent Carver of Newport News against J. S. Russell of Lawrenceville at 3 p.m., Maggie Walker against Langston of Danville at 7 and Booker T. of Norfolk against Luther P. Jackson of Fairfax at 8:30.

The rest of the slate today in Group II had Ralph Bunche of Edgehill meeting A. G. Richardson of Louisa at 9 a.m., Central of Amherst playing Carter G. Woodson of Hopewell at 10:30 and T. C. Walker tackling 1964 runnerup Carver of Salem at 4:30 p.m.

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Beamer	7	2-3	16
Baltimore, R.	1	0-0	2
Blowe	6	0-2	12
Banks	1	2-4	4
Williams	1	0-0	2
Baltimore, I.	1	0-0	2
Cooke	2	0-0	4
Nelson, R.	0	0-0	0
Martin	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	19	4-9	42

STAUNTON

	G	F	T
Venable	11	4-4	26
Smith	3	2-6	8
Miller	4	5-6	13
Warner	2	2-3	6
Wormsley	1	0-0	2
Vickers	1	0-0	2
Cooke	3	2-4	8
Johnson	3	0-1	6
Varcus	0	0-2	0
Jones	0	0-1	0
TOTALS	28	15-27	71

DOUGLAS	6	15	4	17-42
STAUNTON	17	19	25	10-71

1965 – 1966

1965 Football

NO TEAM

1965-1966 Basketball

In a way, this was a sad year! This was the last athletic team at Douglas High School.

The basketball team went 3-7 but went out in style by defeating Criser of Front Royal 69-65. This was Douglas's last game played at their school and they played this game with only five players: William Beamer, Robert Baltimore, Randolph Martin, Charles Reed and Robert Stern. Ronald Nelson was absent due to an injury.

The Bulldogs tied for first in the Virginia Interscholastic Association League with Johnson-Williams of Berryville.

Douglas High School closed in the spring of 1966 and integrated with Handley High School that fall.

Douglas had a very successful heritage in sports and one they can be very proud of under the direction of Coach Edwin Barksdale.

Leading scorers:	William Beamer	163 points	20.3% average
	Robert Baltimore	117 points	16.7%

1965 – 1966
Douglas Basketball
3 – 7

			D	O
Dec	4	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	60	40
	10	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	72	78
Jan	10	Central Augusta – Staunton, VA	75	90
	18	Douglass – Leesburg, VA	(Lost - Not in Paper)	
	24	Criser – Front Royal, VA	46	80
	26	Central Augusta – Staunton, VA	61	82
	29	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	78	73
Feb	23	Criser – Front Royal, VA	69	65
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Mar	5	Johnson Williams – Berryville, VA	54	65
	5	Criser – Front Royal, VA	(Lost - Not in Paper)	

On February 23, 1966, Douglas played on their home court for the last time against Criser and won 69 - 65.

POINTS: Douglas - 515
Opponents - 573

Last year for Bulldogs

Douglas Fields 7 Men To Play 6 Game Sked

11-30-65

By MICHAEL-JOHN CLARK
Star Staff Writer

Douglas high school won the District 1, Group 2 title last season.

"But we only decided two weeks ago to play basketball this season," coach Edwin Barksdale said.

THIS is Douglas' last year as a high school.

Forty-nine pupils are enrolled in grades eight through twelve.

SEVEN players volunteered to play this season.

"It's a pathetic thing," the coach said.

In sixteen years as a Bulldog coach, Barksdale, compiled a 117-53 slate.

SIX TEAMS are scheduled.

"I wouldn't mind playing a few more games," Coach Barksdale said.

Last year the Bulldogs won 10 and lost 7.

"This is our experimental year. We will feature a go-go offense. We have speed and good ball handlers. The boys know the game, and play intelligent basketball. We have some good shooters.

"Although, if we win any district games, it will be a miracle. We will try to entertain them, anyway," Coach Barksdale said.

William Beamer is the "big" player for Douglas. He is 5 feet 9 1/2. Last year Beamer scored 22 points per game.

ANOTHER letterman, Randolph Martin, a 5 feet 6 senior, tallied seven points per game.

The other "skyscrapers" are Ronald Nelson and John Thomas; all of 5 feet 9.

On Friday the Bulldogs entertain Douglass of Leesburg. Coach Barksdale said his squad will concentrate on stopping Jerry Evans, a 6 feet 4 junior.

Last season Evans ripped off a 31 point effort on his home court. When he played on the Bulldog court, he cooled off, scoring only seven points.

Douglass of Leesburg finished third in District I, Group 1 competition last year.

DOUGLAS SCHEDULE
1965-66 SEASON

Dec. 3	Douglass of Leesburg	Home
Dec. 10	Johnson-Williams	Away
Jan. 18	Douglass of Leesburg	Away
Jan. 21	Criser of Front Royal	Away
Jan. 28	Johnson-Williams	Home
Feb. 1	Criser of Front Royal	Home

Johnson-Williams Stops Arch Rival Douglas, 78-72

12-11-65

BERRYVILLE—Ernest Turner outdueled Douglas' Robert Baltimore in their arch rival hardwood contest last night as Johnson-Williams whipped Douglas. Johnson-Williams outscored Winchester from the floor by a 31-28 margin. This led to Johnson-Williams' 78-72 victory at the Berryville school.

DOUGLAS opened the game with the first points but the Winchester team was unable to handle the manpower of the Berryville school. Ernest Turner and Larry Allison combined for 54 points of the Johnson-Williams' 78.

Douglas' Robert Baltimore led the Winchester team with 31 points. The Douglas team had a well balanced attack as four players in double figures. Robert Baltimore played a good game both on defense and as well as on offense.

Milton Paige and Terry Roberts played an outstanding defensive game for the Tigers. Ellis Paige, cousin of Milton, pulled in 15 rebounds and Ernest Turner recovered 10 more for Johnson-Williams.

With his 10 rebounds and the 32 points, Turner was the outstanding player on the court. Ernest, Johnson-Williams' great football player, hit for 10 field goals and 12 free throws for his game high scoring.

JOHNSON-WILLIAMS

	FG	F	TOT.
E. Paige	1	0	2
L. Allison	10	2	22
R. Smith	4	1	9
N. Harper	3	0	6
E. Turner	10	12	32
M. Paige	1	0	2
T. Roberts	0	1	1
O. Harper	2	0	4

DOUGLAS

	FG	F	TOT.
R. Baltimore	12	7	31
C. Reed	2	0	4
W. Beamer	5	1	11
R. Martin	4	2	10
R. Nelson	2	0	4
R. Stern	3	6	12

J-W	23	42	65	78
Douglas	19	34	45	72

Swift Douglas Mites Upset Leesburg Rival

12-9-65

With Bill Beamer, 5 feet, 9, the tallest Bulldog, Douglas Coach Edwin Barksdale turned loose his scurrying mites against a taller, slower Douglass team from Leesburg. The Bulldogs won 60-40.

A FULL-COURT zone press allowed the Leesburg squad only 32 shots from the floor, while the Bulldogs tallied 18 field goals in 47 attempts.

"You can't score, if you don't shoot," is the motto of Douglas' Coach Barksdale.

Beamer led the home team with 21 points. Randolph Martin, Robert Baltimore, and Bob Stern each contributed 12 points to the Douglas total.

Sam Corvan pushed in 12 points for the Leesburg squad.

The Bulldogs led at the half, 32-13.

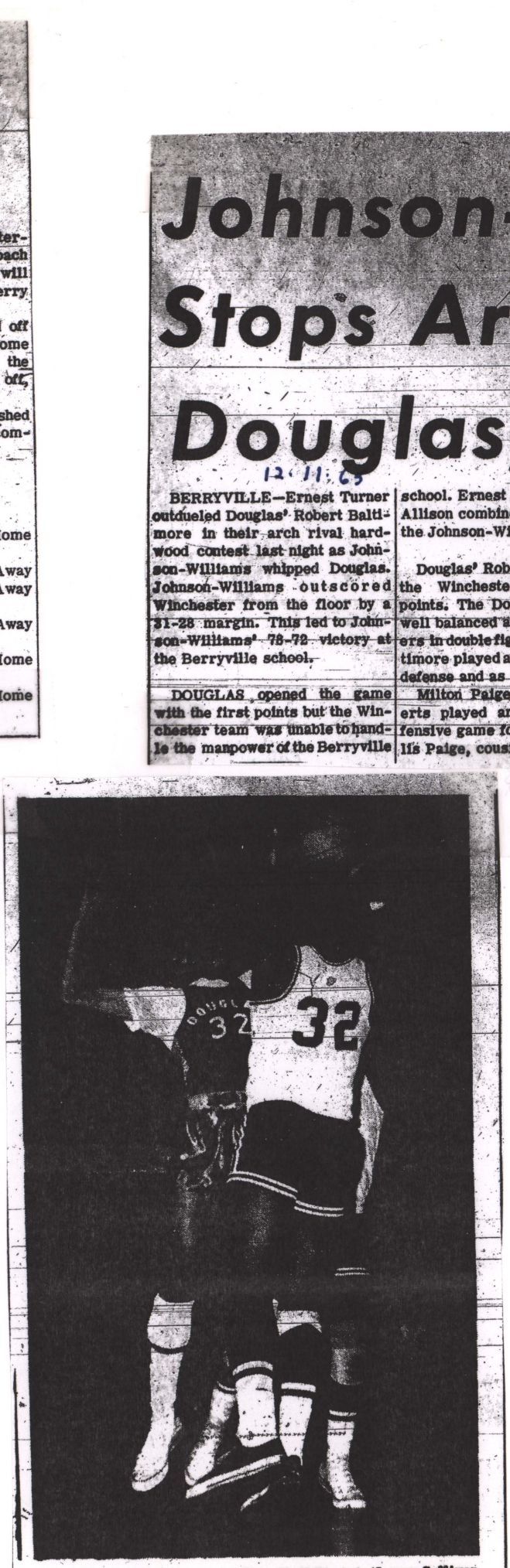
DOUGLAS

	FG	FT	TP
Beamer	8	5	21
Reed	0	1	1
Martin	5	2	12
Baltimore	3	6	12
Stern	2	8	12
Nelson	0	2	2
TOTALS	18	24	60

DOUGLASS OF LEESBURG

	FG	FT	TP
Corvan	6	0	12
Haley	1	2	4
Tracy	2	1	5
Bryant	1	0	2
Trammell	1	2	4
Helm	3	0	6
Wilson	1	1	3
Ambers	0	1	1
Johnson	1	1	3
TOTALS	16	8	40

Halftime: Douglass 32-13
JV Score: Douglas 47-19



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TIGER REBOUND — Ellis Paige (32) of Johnson-Williams pulled down this rebound in last night's Douglas-J-W game at Berryville. Douglas' William Beamer (32) jumped in vain.

BEAMER PACES 'DOGS

Central Augusta Laces Douglas, 90-75

1-10-66

Central Augusta laced Douglas, 90-75 Saturday night at Douglas High, despite the 34-point performance of William Beamer.

BEAMER, the 5-9 sharpshooter for the Bulldogs, rammed in 13 goals and eight free throws.

The loss was the second in three starts for Douglas while Augusta climbed to 3-2 on the campaign.

The losers used a full court press designed by Coach Ed Barksdale. But a 14-point spurt by Augusta's Eugene Franklin killed the locals.

DOUGLAS plays again on Jan. 18 at Leesburg versus Douglass. On Jan. 21 the Bulldogs journey to Front Royal to play Criser High.

CENTRAL AUGUSTA

	G	F	T
Hal Robinson	5	2-3	12
Carl Wilson	4	1-1	9
Chet Smith	2	3-3	7
Eugene Franklin	7	5-7	19
James Rose	9	2-4	20
William Perry	6	7-7	19
Charles Banks	1	2-4	4
TOTALS	34	22-30	90

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Robert Stern	5	3-5	13
William Beamer	13	8-12	34
Charles Reed	3	3-3	9
Randolph Martin	5	2-3	12
Ronald Nelson	1	1-5	3
John Briscoe	0	4-7	4
TOTALS	27	21-34	75

C. AUGUSTA	18	23	19	30—90
DOUGLAS	18	19	18	30—75

PLAY J-WILLIAMS FRIDAY

Augusta Rips Douglas

1-26-66

STAUNTON — Central Augusta ripped Douglas, 82-61 last night in a warm-up for the Bulldogs. Friday night the Winchester quint plays arch rival Johnson-Williams at home.

ROBERT Baltimore paced the smaller visitors with 18 points but rebounding told the story of the contest.

Augusta's James Rose and William Perry controlled the backboards for the hosts against the mighty mite Bulldogs.

Perry rammed in 27 points on his corner shots to pace the winners. Deadley from the corner Perry bucketed seven straight shots.

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Charles Reed	5	0-0	10
William Beamer	5	6-8	16
Robert Stern	2	3-5	7
Robt. Baltimore	7	4-6	18
Randolph Martin	4	2-3	10
Ronald Nelson	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	23	15-24	61

CENTRAL AUGUSTA

	G	F	T
Hal Robinson	0	0-0	2
Eugene Franklin	4	2-5	10
James Rose	7	2-5	16
William Perry	11	5-5	27
Ned Robinson	4	1-2	9
Roger Vaughn	2	2-2	6
Charles Banks	0	3-4	3
Zane Davenport	4	1-2	9
TOTALS	33	16-25	82

DOUGLAS	17	10	17	17-61
AUGUSTA	18	20	22	22-82



RANDOLPH MARTIN
. . . . tallied 10 for Bulldogs

James Rose had 16 and Eugene Franklin 10 for the winners. William Beamer had 16, Randolph Martin 10, and Charles Reed 10.

MARTIN was praised by his coach Ed Barksdale for his rebounding play, too.

Barksdale said, "Height is killing us. We just hope we can rebound a little better Friday night when we play Johnson-Williams."

DOUGLAS is now 1-5 on the season, the worst season in the brilliant coaching career of veteran mentor Barksdale.

Criser Belts 'Dogs, 80-46 in VIA Tilt

1-24-66

FRONT ROYAL — Douglas High School, in its last year of basketball in the Virginia Interscholastic Association, continues to have its troubles.

COACH Ed Barksdale, who has chalked up one of the state's finest coaching records in his tenure at DHS, now has a 1-4 mark on the season.

His Bulldogs bowed to Criser High of Front Royal, 80-46 over the weekend.

Robert Baltimore led the locals with 18 points. Usually high scoring William Beamer was held to nine points along with Robert Stern.

Charles Green led the winners with 22 points. Wayne Brooks rammed in 20 and Burrell Brooks had 17.

IN LEAGUE play Criser leads the league with a 2-0 mark. Johnson-Williams is second with a 1-1 mark and Douglas is in the cellar with a 0-2 record.

Tomorrow night Douglas journeys to Staunton to play Central Augusta. Friday night Johnson-Williams invades Winchester for the renewal of the spirited feud between the Tigers and 'Dogs.

THE Bulldogs close their season early with a Feb. 1 home date versus Criser.

VIA STANDINGS

	W	L
Criser	2	0
Johnson-Williams	1	1
Douglas	0	2

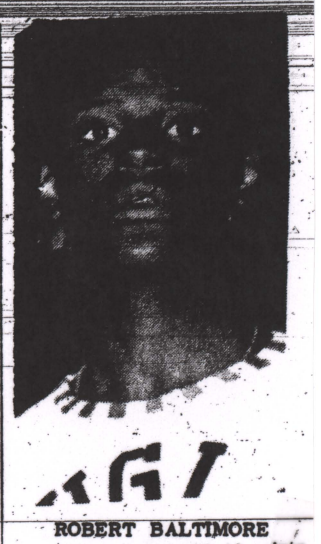
DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Charles Reed	1	2-5	4
William Beamer	3	3-7	9
Robert Stern	3	3-7	9
Robert Baltimore	6	6-7	18
Randolph Martin	1	2-3	4
Ronald Nelson	1	0-0	2
TOTALS	15	16-27	46

CRISER

	G	F	T
Wayne Brooks	9	2-6	20
Herbert Washington	3	1-2	7
Burrell Brooks	8	1-2	17
Mike Travis	0	1-2	1
Ken King	1	2-3	4
Ron Travis	4	1-2	9
Charles Green	9	4-4	22
Greg Foster	0	0-1	0
TOTALS	34	12-22	80

DOUGLAS	11	8	14	13	- 46
CRISER	13	21	23	13	- 80



ROBERT BALTIMORE
. . . led Douglas with 18 points

Beamer Tallies 30 To Pace Douglas over J-W

1-29-66

William Beamer meshed 30 points to lead Douglas to a thrilling 78-73 win over arch rival Johnson-Williams last night at Douglas.

A screaming crowd saw the Bulldogs use a zone press and a box zone to stymie the favored Berryville quint.

ERNEST TURNER, the usual high scoring ace for Johnson-Williams was held to a low (for him) of 22 points.

Turner tallied 16 of the 18 points that Williams had in the second canto. But the senior guard cooled off in the second half with only six markers.

The rebounding of Beamer, a 5-9 hustler and Ronald Nelson, another shortie for the Winchester boys, led the hosts to the big win.

THE DEFENSIVE play of Randolph Martin and Robert Stern was also singled out by winning coach Ed Barksdale. Barksdale said, "It was a great win for our boys .... they just hustled and wanted to win this one."

Stern filled in for starter Ronald Nelson who was charged with his fourth personal early in the third period.

The win kept Douglas' record intact of never having lost to the Tigers on their home court since the series was inaugurated.

DOUGLAS closes its' brief season on Feb. 1 at home versus Criser of Front Royal in a Virginia Interscholastic Association game.

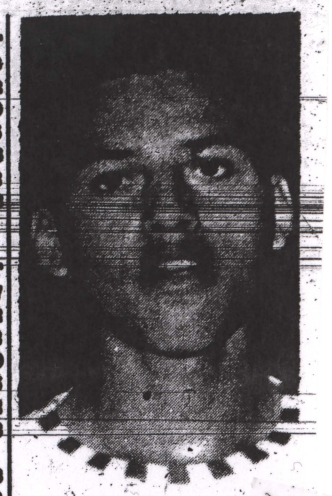
JOHNSON-WILLIAMS

	G	F	T
Allison	8	2-7	18
Turner	9	4-9	22
E. Paige	5	0-3	10
Harper	2	1-1	5
Smith	3	0-2	6
M. Paige	6	0-3	12
TOTALS	33	7-27	73

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Reed	2	3-3	7
Baltimore	6	0-3	12
Martin	3	6-9	12
Beamer	12	6-8	30
Nelson	2	1-3	5
Stern	5	2-4	12
TOTALS	30	18-31	78

J-WILLIAMS	15	18	17	23-73
DOUGLAS	19	19	22	18-78



WILLIAM BEAMER... tallied 30 to pace Douglas

Bulldogs Win Last Game at Douglas

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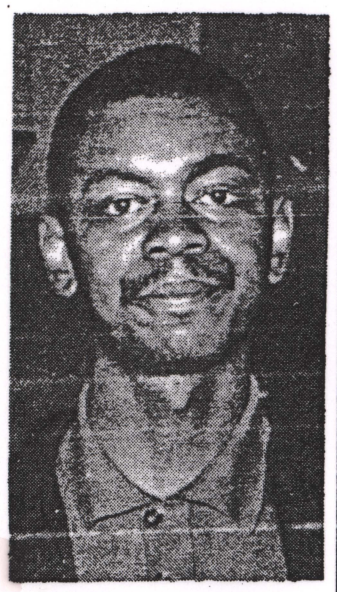

COACH ED BARKSDALE

Douglas High School and Coach Ed Barksdale said good-bye to varsity athletics at the local school last night by whipping Criser of Front Royal, 69-65.

The win was the last game on a varsity level that will be played at Douglas.

THE VICTORY also placed the Bulldogs into a tie for first place in the Virginia Interscholastic Association league standings with Johnson-Williams.

Criser is now 0-4 after a ruling that made one of their players ineligible. Douglas and J-W are 3-1 in the league.

Coach Barksdale called last night's win a "courageous effort - we finished with only five players on the whole team. But we just outhustled Criser."

Senior Randolph Martin, a 5-6 hustler, led the locals to the win. Ronald Nelson was injured and did not see action for Douglas.

DOUGLAS finished their season with a 4-4 mark overall. Douglas shot 39 per cent from the floor.

Martin tallied 20 points in the 'game of his life'. William Beamer, who fouled out late in the game, tallied 19 in another starring performance.

Ronald Baltimore hit for 14 for the Bulldogs.



RANDOLPH MARTIN

	G	F	T
Brooks	3	3-4	9
H. Washington	4	2-3	10
Brooks	5	3-4	13
Travis	1	1-2	3
King	8	2-3	20
Travis	6	0-2	12
G. Washington	0	0-0	0
TOTALS	27	11-19	65

DOUGLAS

	G	F	T
Reed	4	0-0	8
Beamer	5	9-12	19
Martin	6	8-12	20
Simmons	0	0-0	0
Stern	3	2-4	8
Baltimore	4	6-12	14
TOTALS	22	25-40	69

CRISER	11	16	16	22-65
DOUGLAS	12	21	17	19-69

J-Williams Dumps Douglas

3-5-66

FRONT ROYAL — In the District playoff Johnson-Williams unfurled a whirlwind fourth quarter to dump Douglas 65-54.

Milton Page left the Tiger bench in the key last quarter to score eight of his team's 15 points.

THE STALWART Bulldogs had the edge at the end of the three quarters, leading 50-49.

William Beamer pushed in 23 points to keep the scrappy Douglas quintet in the battle between archrivals.

Ellis Page and Larry Allison combined for 36 points and 23 rebounds to provide the hard core Johnson-Williams strength.

Ernest Turner, Tiger star, playing with a sprained wrist converted 5 field goals. He was shaky at the foul line with 3 points out of 11 attempts.

COACH DAVID James's Berryville crew won their first Section 1, Group 2 title since 1959.

"It's the first time ever we beat Douglas twice in a row," the J-W coach said.

Last night during the furious last quarter Douglas could muster only four points to 15 for the Tigers.

TONIGHT AT THE Criser High School gymnasium the winner of the Douglas-Criser contest this morning plays Johnson-Williams for the tournament championship.

JOHNSON-WILLIAMS

	FG	FT	TP
E. Page	9	3-6	21
L. Allison	7	1-2	15
M. Page	3	2-4	8
E. Turner	5	3-11	13
R. Smith	4	0-4	8
TOTALS	28	9-27	65

DOUGLAS

	FG	FT	TP
C. Reed	3	0-0	6
W. Beamer	10	3-3	23
R. Martin	2	3-7	7
R. Stern	2	2-4	6
R. Baltimore	5	0-1	10
R. Nelson	1	0-1	2
TOTALS	23	8-16	54

Halftime: Douglas, 32-31.

Bulldogs Play Tigers At Front Royal Tonite

3-4-66

Ed Barksdale's Douglas quintet aims for a 14th district title tonight at Front Royal.

The Bulldogs tangle with Johnson - Williams at Criser High School gym. Game time is 8:30 p.m.

Tonight's loser plays Criser tomorrow morning at 10 a.m.

The finals Saturday night wrap up the Group 2, District 1 play. The winner of tonight's Bulldog-Tiger contest plays tomorrow morning's victor for the title.

The regional winner travels to Virginia State College to play Carver-Salen, a squad with a 19-3 record.

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COACH BARKSDALE

1986

Testament to a Great Coach



Frederick Douglass Coach Ed Barksdale (right) talks to his 1954-55 district championship basketball team. The team members are John Randolph Carter (No. 33), Hubert Stephenson (No. 22), James Prather (No. 55), Beverly Gaskins (No. 25), Robert Burks (No. 11), Dabney Stephenson (No. 44), and Michael Ford (No. 99). Barksdale will be honored Saturday by his former students.

His Students Remember Barksdale

By WAYDE BYARD
Star Sports Editor

Some coaches are only black-and-white lines on a ledger, faceless names accompanied by long-forgotten records.

While the written records are incomplete about Edwin Barksdale's coaching career, his memory is still very much alive in the students he coached and taught at Frederick Douglass School between 1950 and 1966. On Saturday, more than 250 Douglass alumni will gather to honor those memories at the school's annual alumni association dinner.

Barksdale, a native of Washington, coached football, basketball, and girls basketball at what was then the only black school at this end of the Shenandoah Valley. He also set up a black little league because blacks were then banned from participating in the one run by the Winchester Parks and Recreation Department.

Barksdale's wife, Rosalie, remembers her husband driving athletes to Woodstock and Strasburg after practices. It was probably worth the effort.

Douglass won the 1950 and 1954 Tri-State championships in football with records of 3-1 and 7-1, respectively. He won District 3 basketball championships in 1955, 1956, 1958, and 1965 (these are years for which records exist).

Mrs. Barksdale said Douglass's records were even more impressive

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when you consider that the school fielded the bare minimum of players on its rosters and went up against large schools such as Washington's Cardoza.

While these records are impressive, the testimony of those he taught and coached are much more so.

Several former Douglass students wrote down their thoughts about Barksdale for a special commemorative booklet.

"When we first met him we were still like babes in diapers," James E. Prather ('55) wrote. "His presence made young men and women out of us in a hurry. He didn't do this with child psychology or by other sophisticated means, he showed us what life was all about using athletic competition. He extolled the teachings of Sal Hall, his high school and college coach, (that stated) 'hard work gets results.' He ingrained in us a sense of pride that not only made us champions, but which carried over into adulthood. I think we are all better human beings having been touched by him.

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"Mr. Barksdale gave his best to everything he did," wrote James C. Stephenson. "In physical education class, he made everyone participate, whether a good or bad athlete. Everyone was given a fair chance and equal time. In biology class, he made you study and work hard. He wanted you to get the most you could from his class."

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"Mr. Barksdale always had his students in mind," Judy Humbert ('65) wrote. "He and Mr. Gaskins, our principal, disagreed on punishment for students in trouble. Mr. Gaskins wanted to send them home and Mr. Barksdale said keep them in school. His idea of punishment was laps around the football field or the basketball court. Mr. Barksdale counted the laps himself to make sure a student didn't shirk on his punishment. . .

"Mr. Barksdale's greatest impact on me was as a student. The first day in ninth-grade biology, Mr. Barksdale told each student what was expected of him or her. He told me he knew I was capable of B-plus or A work and I had to work to receive this grade or I would get a failing grade. Well, being a mouthy student, I protested. I felt if I earned a C then that is what I should be given. He came back to me and said 'Humbert, you will do, or else.' Needless to say, I maintained a high B-plus average in both ninth- and 10th-grade biology. Mr. Barksdale taught me to work to my potential. This is something I still believe in today and I am trying to instill this in my children."

One non-student who was greatly impressed by Barksdale was James Wood coordinating administrator Wendell Dick, once a multi-sport star at Frederick County High School.

"I would attend Douglass football and basketball games," Dick wrote. "Many times, I was the only white person in the gymnasium and coach Barksdale always made me feel welcome and treated me with the utmost dignity. I will never forget this and also coach Barksdale."

Barksdale left the Winchester school system after desegragation turned Douglass into an elementary school.

He moved onto Montross, where he became a principal, Prince Georges County, where he was a junior high coach, and High Point High School, where he coached soccer and football.

Barksdale died at age 45 in 1974, but it's clear from the testimony of his students that a valuable part of him lives on—the part of a coach you'll never find in any record book.

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We also know he was not perfect because the rarest diamond may sometime have a flaw. We do know that he was dedicated to his chosen profession and history will say that he performed well. He was not a Vince Lombardi type who once said, "Winning isn't everything, it's the only thing" he was the type that said "it isn't important that you win, but how well you played the game."

To Coach Barksdale's family, I know that you miss him as we all do, I would like to leave you with an excerpt from James Weldon Johnson's "God's Trombones"

...And Death took him up like a baby,
and Coach Barksdale lay in his icy arms,
But he didn't feel no chill.
And Death began to ride again--
Up beyond the evening star,
Out beyond the morning star,
Into the glittering light of glory,
On to the Great White Throne.

And there he laid Coach Barksdale

On the loving breast of Jesus.

And Jesus took his own hand and wiped away Coach's tears

And he smoothed the furrows from his face

and the angels sang a little song,

and Jesus rocked coach in his arms,

and kept a-saying: Take your rest,

Take your rest, Take your rest.

Weep not -- Weep not,

Coach is not dead;

He's resting in the bosom of Jesus

James E. Prather
Class of 1955

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October 1986

The Douglas Alumni Association elected this year to pause in deep soleminity to pay tribute to the late Edwin Kenneth Barksdale, an educator, leader and a legend in his own right.

One can only stop to consider and remember when he joined the faculty of Douglas School many years ago, headed the Athletic Program, instructor of Physical Education and Health Classes and Biological Science. He won the hearts and respect of the student-body, as well as the Administration, parents and community.

Being a professional mentor, he gained the interest of high school boys and girls in physical fitness and conditioning to compete in high school sports activities; such sports as football and boys and girls basketball. With the enthusiasm and response of the Administration and the general public, he developed a football team, a boys basketball team and a girls basketball team. The cooperation of the patrons and friends of Douglas were tremendous.

Needless to say "Ed" Barksdale spent many long and overtime hours in the training and the shaping of these teams preparing for inter-scholastic competitions. His long and hard working hours with the teams were not in vain. He led the teams from infancy to the state championship by his guidance, patience and understanding.

He was dedicated to his classroom teaching as much as his coaching on the athletic field and the indoor court.

Having established himself in Winchester, he identified himself with the church, the educational, civic and fraternal organizations as an active member.

He became a loving husband and father, who provided a home and necessities for his family and for the education of his children.

The Douglas Alumni Association takes pride in dedicating this booklet in Loving Memory and a Commemorative Spirit of our Friend and Co-Worker of many school years,

Edwin Kenneth Barksdale

Lines from our ALMA MATER:

When the time shall come
The best of friends must part
We will carry your fond remembrance
In our hearts.

Effie M. Davis

Dear Judy:

I am honored to write these words about Mr. Barksdale since I didn't know he was deceased.

Mr. Barksdale was a wonderful coach, teacher and human being. He had a lot of faith in each of his students and made me gain a lot of faith in myself, especially as an athletic student. I was a skinny little kid and he taught me skills in basketball that I wasn't aware I had.

He had so much confidence in me that he put me on the first string basketball team as a forward along with Zita Laws, Barbera Turner, Audrey Curry and Marlene Johnson.

Coach Barksdale . . . thanks for having faith in me.

Janet Lewis Brooks
Class of 1955

July 7, 1986

I am responding to your request to make a statement about Mr. Barksdale.

We were all saddened by the passing of Mr. Barksdale at the height of his career. To me, he was a very likeable person who got along well with all the members of the Douglas faculty. He was well qualified in his chosen profession and, like all coaches, exerted a great influence over those on his teams. I am sure it was his ability to inspire his students, especially in athletics, that has resulted in the appointment of our first black head coach in basketball at Handley High School.

Little, do we, as teachers realize the images we are molding of those whom we instruct in our classrooms.

Lovelena Lomax Marcus, Teacher
Home Economics & English
Douglas High School

MR. BARKSDALE

"THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES"

MY MOST VIVID MEMORIES OF MR. BARKSDALE ARE MOSTLY ON THE BASKETBALL COURT. NOT AT HOME SO MUCH, ALTHOUGH THEY ARE TO BE FONDLY REMEMBERED AS WELL, BUT WHEN I WAS A SENIOR IN HIGH SCHOOL AT DOUGLASS. THAT YEAR, OUR TEAM WON THE RIGHT TO GO TO THE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT IN ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND. AS I RECALL, IT WAS MY FIRST OVERNIGHT TRIP AWAY FROM HOME.

IT WASN'T THE TRIP AWAY FROM HOME THAT WAS SO IMPORTANT, NOR WAS IT THE GAMES, PER SE. IT WAS, AND I WILL REMEMBER IT AS LONG AS I LIVE, WHAT MR. BARKSDALE WAS TRYING SO HARD FOR ME TO ACCOMPLISH. EVEN THOUGH HE NEVER SAID SO TO ME, I KNEW IT, I FELT IT, AND I HEARD IT -- HE DESPERATELY TRIED AND WANTED ME TO DO SO WELL IN THAT TOURNAMENT, IN ORDER THAT I, AS A SENIOR AND THE SMALLEST GUY ON THE TEAM [FOR THAT MATTER IN THE WORLD OF BASKETBALL PROBABLY] WOULD EARN A LETTER IN BASKETBALL THAT YEAR. EVEN TO THIS DAY, WHEN I THINK ABOUT THOSE GAMES, IT IS TOUCHING AS I HEAR HIS VOICE SAYING AS I WOULD APPROACH THE BASKET -- "COME ON ANDY; YOU CAN DO IT!" NOT BEING THAT BAD -- OR GOOD EITHER, I REALLY BELIEVED I COULD DO IT ALSO.

MR. BARKSDALE WOULD HOPEFULLY AND CONTINUOUSLY SUBSTITUTE ME IN AND OUT OF THE TOURNAMENT GAMES WITH THAT GOAL IN MIND. EVEN AT TIMES, HE WOULD TAKE OUT ONE OF OUR BEST -- LITTLE BOBBY BURKS, JUST TO GIVE ME THAT CHANCE WITH THE HOPEFUL EXPECTATION THAT I WOULD GO "ON A ROLL".

WHEN HE WOULD REALIZE THAT THE NEEDED POINTS WERE NOT FORTHCOMING IN THE GAME, HE WOULD GO BACK TO THE GLUE THAT "MADE IT ALL WORK AND STICK TOGETHER" IN THE GAME -- LITTLE BOBBY BURKS.

WELL WE DID EXCEPTIONALLY WELL, BUT WE DIDN'T WIN THE TOURNAMENT IN ROCKVILLE, AND YES, I KNOW YOU ARE ALL WONDERING BY NOW -- NEITHER DID I WIN [AS MUCH AS HE WANTED ME TO] THAT LETTER. I DID, HOWEVER, WIN SOMETHING SO MUCH MORE IMPORTANT THAN A BASKETBALL LETTER OR A TOURNAMENT. I WON THE OPPORTUNITY TO KNOW, PLAY FOR, AND HAVE MY LIFE TOUCHED AND INFLUENCED BY A PERSON WHO CAME INTO MY LIFE AT A VERY YOUNG AGE AND LEFT A LEGACY IN SPORTS AT DOUGLASS AND A LASTING IMPRESSION AND GUIDING LIGHT TO THIS DAY IN THIS COMPETITTIVE WORLD OF CHALLENGES.

SO IN CLOSING, THANKS MR. BARKSDALE FOR INSTILLING IN ME THE SPIRIT OF COMPETITTIVENESS. THANKS, FOR BEING WITH US DURING OUR MANY THRILLS OF VICTORY, AS WELL AS STANDING BY AND CONSOLING US DURING OUR AGONIES OF DEFEAT. IN SUM, MR. BARKSDALE, "THANKS SO MUCH FOR THE MEMORIES!".

Andy

DR. ANDREW T. W. GASKINS
WASHINGTON, D.C.
July 24, 1986

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The teachings and instructions of Coach Barksdale have stayed with me. I believe that all success I've had or will have in life have come through the Grace of God and because I have followed the teachings of my parents and Coach Barksdale.

James C. Stephenson

To The Coach

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Mr. Barksdale did not like to lose, but who does. However, in the few games that we did lose, and there were not that many, he may have been upset, but he very seldom showed it to his teams or really put them down. If it was a mistake that caused us to lose, that mistake was the first thing he discussed and the team worked on this in the next practice.

Mr. Barksdale's teams did not use many different formations or trick plays. He coached from his heart and his teams played iwth a lot of heart. Mr. Barksdale will not only be remembered as a great coach and teacher to his athletes and students but also a good friend to Winchester and anyone that had the priviledge to really get to know him. I will always consider him as a friend that I admired and respected.

Bushrod S. Harris
Class of 1960

JAMES WOOD HIGH SCHOOL
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WINCHESTER, VA., 22601

July 3, 1986

Dear Friends of Edwin K Barksdale:

I am so thrilled that during Ole Douglas Weekend this year, you all have decided to honor Coach Barksdale.

I was playing athletics at James Wood High School when Mr. Barksdale was at Douglas. I found him to be a knowledgable, intelligent, and an excellent coach. I remember him also as a sincere, hardworking, compassionate person.

I would attend the Douglas football and basketball games. Many times I was the only white person in the gymnasium and Coach Barksdale always made me feel welcome and treated me with the utmost dignity. I will never forget this and also Coach Barksdale.

Thanks for honoring this fine gentleman and fondest wishes to his family.

Sincerely,

P. WEndell Dick
Coordinating Administrator
James Wood High School

Class of 1958

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In closing, I feel setting aside this evening to pay tribute to Mr. Edwin K. Barksdale is long over due. He did not often get the respect and recognition he deserved. There are many who can testify that they are better people today because they listened and used Mr. Barksdale's advice. I'm sure there are many who wished today they had adopted his principals and listened to his advice.

George W. Curry Jr.
Class of 1963

Commemorative for Edwin K. Barksdale

Edwin Barksdale was a flamboyant individual in both his teaching and coaching, and always, with no uncertain connotation, left both the academic students and the learning athletes with the feeling that he was very confident in what he was conveying. He made each person feel the need to acquire and develop the desire to become as strong and as confident as he.

As an instructor in the classroom, he went about his work in a professional and personal manner, and demanded maximum results from his students. His biology exams were testimony to that.

On the football field and on the basketball court, coach Barksdale was the best. It was well known that each athlete would give 110% at all times or his extra curricular sports activity would be short lived. He gave it all he had and the players responded.

In closing, to the family, I can say his winning attitude has stayed with me and has made me a winner.

J. R. Alsberry

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Johnny Alsberry
Packaging Manager

Mr. Barksdale was my favorite teacher.

I took Physical Education under him. He wanted everyone to do their best in sports. But since I wasn't very athletically inclined, he accepted me as I was . . so so. He didn't pressure me to be something or someone that I wasn't.

I was a cheerleader and had close contact with Mr. Barksdale. The cheerleaders traveled a lot with the football and basketball teams. Mr. Barksdale was a gentlemen at all times.

I will always remember him with great fondness. He was a fantastic person.

Julia Brown Curry



Members of the Douglas High School Girls Basketball Team circa 1953-54. Left to right: Shirley Bartlett, Marlene Johnson, Barbara Turner. (555-139)



Douglas High School girls' basketball team 1953-54. Sitting left to right: Marlene Johnson, Janet Lewis, Beverly Long, Audrey Curry, Edith Stern; standing, left to right: Shirley Bartlett, Jean Carol Finley, Sylvia Stephenson, Barbara Turner, Maggie Burks, Zita Laws, Grace Evans. (555-138)



Douglas High School 1958 girls' basketball team. Left to right: Frances Washington, Dorothy Gant, Brenda Bundy, Joy Ann Gaskins, Anna Strother, Judith Gaither, Harriet Washington. (555-76)

Douglas School Wins District Track Meet

15 May 1947

Douglas high school's boys' and girls' track and field teams finished first in the Tri-State Asociation meet held here. The local team tallied 79 points. Rockville placed second with 49 points followed by Martinsburg with 20 and Berryville 7 points.

Setting the scoring pace for the local teams were Edward Bartlett, Marvel Thompson, Arthur Gaither, Dorothy Doleman, Evelyn Lewis, James Waldon and Wallace Ford.

The summary follows:

Girls—50 yd. Dash.
Jane Johnson — Winchester, 1st.
Evelyn Lewis — Winchester, 2nd.
Naomi Green—Martinsburg, 3rd.

Boys—50 yd. Dash.
Arthur Gaither — Winchester—1st.
Phillip Green — Martinsburg — 2nd.
Eugene Roman — Martinsburg—3rd.

Girls Standing Broad Jump.
Dorothy Doleman—Winchester—1st.
Ann Cook—Winchester—2nd.
Mary Demar—Rockville—3rd.

Girls Running Broad Jump.
Dorothy Doleman—Winchester—1st. (distance 14 ft. 5 1-2 in.)
Edith Smith—Rockville—2nd.
Evelyn Lewis—Winchester—3rd.

Boys Running Broad Jump. (distance 19 feet 10 1-2 inches)
Edward Taylor—Rockville 1st.
Charles Burks—Winchester—2nd.
Briscoe—Berryville—3rd.

Girls 100 yd. Dash.
Edith Smith — Rockville — 1st. (Time 13 seconds)
Dorothy Doleman—Winchester—2nd.
Evelyn Lewis—Winchester—3rd.

Boys 100 yd. Dash.
Edward Bartlett—Winchester 1st. (Time 10.5 sec.)
Marvel Thompson—Winchester—2nd.
Briscoe—Berryville—3rd.

Girls Dodgeball—Rockville, 1st; Winchester, 2nd; Berryville, 3rd.

Boys Dodgeball — Winchester 1st; Rockville 2nd; Martinsburg 3rd.

Girls Relay — Rockville, 1st; (Time 31.5 sec) Winchester 2nd.

Boys Relay— Martinsburg, 1st; Rockville, 2nd; Winchester, 3rd.

Douglas Athletes Set for Meet in Charles Town

20 Apr. 1948

Coach Francis M. Jackson and a squad of about 30 boys and girls from Douglas school will travel by bus to Charles Town Friday for the third annual Tri-State track meet. The local team will be out to retain a championship won at last year's meet here. Douglas placed third in the 1946 meet.

Among schools competing in the Friday meet will be Winchester, Leesburg and Berryville, Virginia; Frederick Cumberland, Hagerstown, Lockville and Cooksburg, Maryland; and Martinsburg, Piedmont and Charles Town, West Virginia.

Douglas entries: boys: 50 yd. dash, William Brown, Wallace Ford and Harry Brown; 100 yd. dash, Harry Brown, William Brown, and Wallace Ford; relay, Wallace Ford, Celesta Carter, Charles Burks, Kirk Gaskins, James Waldon and William Brown; standing broad jump, Kirk Gaskins, William Brown and Robert Cook; dodge ball, Wallace Ford, James Waldon, Celesta Carter, William Brown, Richard Christian, Clifford Brooks, Charles Cook, Lowell Poulson, Charles Burks, Kirk Gaskins, Leon Boles, Robert Finley and Harry Brown; running broad jump, Harry Brown and Celesta Carter; running high jump, Kirk Gaskins, William Brown and Robert Cook.

Girls: 50 yd. dash, Evelyn Lewis, Tillie Tracy and Jane Johnson; 100 yd. dash, Evelyn Lewis, Lula Medley and Tillie Tracy; relay, Tillie Tracy, Evelyn Lewis, June Gaskins, Jane Johnson, Lula Medley and Gladys Cary; standing broad jump, Ann Cook, Evelyn Lewis and Gladys Cary, Frances Williams, Pracilla Bland, Lula Medley, Gloria Finley and Evelyn Lewis; running broad jump Dorothy Doleman, Evelyn Lewis and Jane Johnson; running high jump, Ann Cook, Evelyn Lewis and Gladys Cary.

Douglas Places 3rd

29 APR 1948

Douglas school placed third behind Rockville and Charles Town in the Tri-State track meet at Charles Town. Scoring gave Rockville 90 points, Charles Town 48 and Winchester 34. Martinsburg was fourth.

Because soldiers of Marseille marching into Paris in 1792 to take part in the attack on the Tuileries sang Rouget deLisle's battle song, it became known as the Marseillaise.

Douglas Gridders Have 50-50 Season

7 Dec 1948

Douglas high school finished the grid season with a record of two wins and two losses. Under the direction of Coach Charles Dandy, they swamped the Williams Training school team of Berryville twice, losing twice to Charles Town high school. Boys who have played their last game for Douglas are Richard Ford, Kirk Gaskins Jr., Clifford Brooke Jr., William Brown Jr. and Emerson Cook.

Douglas Quint Drops Last Tilt of Year

29 APR 1949

In the last game of the season, the Douglas high school basketball team bowed out of the Tri-State Basketball tournament in Hagerstown by losing to Lincoln high. As a result, Douglas took ninth place in the Athletic union in its first year of athletics.

James Waldon, Douglas senior, received an award offered by the union for outstanding character and service rendered during the football season.

Douglas Triumphs Over Charles Town

11-5-49

A powerful Douglas high school football team maintained it unblemished 1949 record yesterday by overrunning Jackson high school 27-2 before a crowd of 400. The victory was the sixth straight for Coach Charles Dendy's Winchester six, while the defeat was the third in five for the Charles Town Champs.

Douglas, led by 17-year-old Celerta Carter and 18-year-old James Waldon, quarterbacks, and Albert Grimes and Charles Jackson, two fleet halfbacks, ran total Douglas scoring to 130 points against 46 for the opposition.

Charles Town won the toss and on the kickoff received the ball on its five yard line, running it out to the 35. On the first play Harry Brown intercepted a pass and carried it down to Charles Town's 10. Carter passed to Bartlett for the TD and then to R. Burks for the extra point.

At the half the score was still 7-0 for Douglas. Douglas, receiving after intermission, moved down the field for its second TD. Grimes picked up a first down on the ground, and then took a pass from Carter for another. Carter then whipped an aerial to Day and Day hurled to Bartlett who went over.

On the kickoff Charles Town went all the way down to the Douglas one before losing the ball on downs. On the next play Grimes was tackled behind the goal for a safety and the lone score of the day for Charles Town.

The third touchdown was made by Grimes around right end with excellent Douglas blocking, James Waldon throwing the key block.

Before the last score the ball changed hands a number of times in midfield. Grimes then intercepted a pass and ran 20 yards for the final TD. The extra point was made on a pass Waldon to Jackson.

Douglas Conquers Martinsburg Team

10-18-49

Pushing over three touchdowns in the final quarter, the Douglas school six-man football team defeated Ramer Memorial high school at Martinsburg, 33-21. Douglas took a two touchdown lead in the first period, but was blanked during the second and third periods while the West Virginians were chalking—up three tallies to take over the lead.

Grimes paced the winner's offensive with four 6-pointers. Jackson scored once. Also in the backfield for Douglas was Burns with Carter, Rhodes and Curry on the line.

Douglas Gridders Triumph 52-23

10-27-49

The Douglas Bulldogs, a throwback to the Tri-State "48" champions, romped to a convincing 52-23 triumph over the Ramer high school of Martinsburg, W. Va. yesterday. A Homecoming day of 500 saw the hard driving Bulldogs come from behind and score twice in the first half to take a lead of 14 to 6 never to be over taken again.

Leading the attack were halfbacks Grimes and Jackson playing their second year with the Bulldogs. Although these scatbacks amply demonstrated that the Bulldogs needed no assistance, the Ramerites helped along the route with two fumbles that were turned into touchdowns. The Bulldogs received the kickoff and were forced to kick after being held on downs. Two stabs at the line and an incomplete pass found the West Virginians kicking. Carter playing in safety position returned the ball and fumbled when tackled. The visitors recovered and went on to score. The try for extra point was blocked.

Waldon came in as quarterback for the Bulldogs and after three completed passes, Waldon to Jackson, Waldon to Grimes and Waldon to Brown, Jackson then hit paydirt slicing off his right tackle. A pass Waldon to Jackson was good for the extra point. Day, the bulldogs kicking specialist, kicked off the ball going through the uprights about two feet below the cross bar.

But in play on the visitors twenty yard stripe they attempted a forward pass that was incomplete, a second try was intercepted by Bartlett. On two tries Grimes moved the pigskin to the two yard line. There the West Virginians dug and held to take the ball on the seven yard line. Kicking from the end zone the half-back took a high pass and got away a good kick that was taken by Waldon on the visitors forty-five and returned to the thirty. Grimes skirted his right end to the three where the visitors held. The half ended with the battle in midfield and the Bulldogs ahead by a score of 14-6.

The beginning of the second half found the West Virginians back in the game after two 15 yard penalties against Douglas. The visitors passed for a touchdown and the try for extra point was good. Douglas came back with a new determination and scored 5 touchdowns to win the game 52-23. Grimes was the high scorer with three TDs, and two extra points.

Fitzhugh Christian, was crowned Miss Homecoming at half time, by Prof. P. W. Gibson, a former principal. The Bulldogs journey to Charles Town, W. Va. Friday for a return game with the Paige high school. On Nov. 10, They go to Cumberland, to play the George Washington Carver high school and will play their final game of the season against Cumberland Nov. 17 at home.

9-16-50

Douglas School News

The doors of Douglas School stood ajar to welcome its students, new and old, to the 1950-51 season. Yes, the sumer vacation has ended, and the seekers of knowledge have settled down to study for another year.

The new academic program has created great interest amnog the high school students. With Physical Education as a "must" everyone seems to be energetic in their every act with appreciation for the institution?

The faculty has increased to twelve by the addition of two new teachers. They are Miss Otelia Pegram, librarian and instructor of typing and Mr. Edwin K. Barksdale, instructor of biology and physical education. The faculty and student body of Douglas welcome these new teachers. We hope that they will have a very successful year, and an enjoyable stay here.

The football season is right around the forner for the "Bulldogs."

Watch the news for the season's program.