

Newton Girls Stage Comeback; Billy Shaw Sets Scoring Record

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Tuesday evening at the NCHS gymnasium was a memorable occasion for lovers of basketball as the fans present saw a miraculous comeback by the Newton high girls and Billy Shaw's record scoring performance. The local teams downed the Central Gwinnett squads 37-28 (girls) and 78-33 (boys).

Coach Stone Cooper's girls trailed the strong Central Gwinnett team at halftime 19-12. After the half time plans had been presented the gal players they went out and took over the lead midway the third quarter and did so thorough a job that the visitors scored only nine points in the last half.

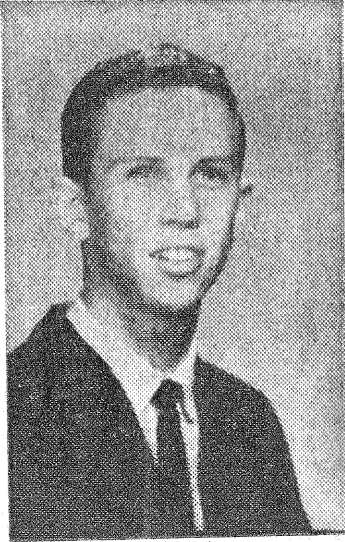
Much of the credit must go to the NCHS guards as Betty Faith Jaynes, Carole George and Sandy King throttled the fleet Central Gwinnett forwards in the final two periods of play. Jordva Bailey, Sherry Jeffries and Rosemary Laster poured in the points in the last half to nail down the 7th straight win of the season.

In the Rams game it was a case of too much Billy Shaw as he scored 41 points and that was eight more than the entire Central Gwinnett team could push through the hoops.

However, Coach Ronald Bradley's team had a hot night from the field as his charges sank an even 50 percent of their floor shots. They had 30 field goals on 60 shots. Shaw alone had 17 for 28.

Four games will be played in Covington before school turns out for the Christmas holidays. Friday night Loganville will be here, Saturday night Monroe moves in and next Tuesday the Mary Persons team come to town. Winder will be the Wednesday night foe here.

Billy Shaw Breaks NCHS Scoring Record



BILLY SHAW

Billy Shaw scored 41 points Tuesday night as the Rams downed the Central Gwinnett team 78-33 at the local basketball gymnasium. This wiped out the individual game scoring mark of Bob Mitchell, which was set last year at 38 markers.

Shaw, a magician with the round ball, sank one-handers, jump-shots, crips and free throws to amass his record. The field goal that broke the existing record was a typical Shaw play as he stole the ball near the enemy foul-line and drove the length of the court to sink a crisp shot. A minute later he added a free-throw for his 41st point.

When Coach Ronald Bradley took Shaw out of the game in the waning minutes the 5-11 forward received a thunderous ovation from the 1,500 fans present.

Shaw now has an average of 27.1 points a game in the 1961-62 season. He has scored 190 points in seven games.

BILLY SHAW, the brilliant Newton County basketball player, has become the first player in his school's history ever to score 1,000 points. He now has 1,051, 41 of which came against Central Gwinnett in a record-breaking single-game performance. The old high for one game was 38, set last year by Bob Mitchell. This is Shaw's third year as a Newton County regular and Coach Ronald Bradley calls him the "finest college prospect we have ever had." Shaw had led Bradley's Rams to 32 consecutive regular season wins. The Rams, who have won seven games this season, will attend the Poinsettia tournament at Greenville, S.C. in which Coach John (Whack) Hyder's Tech Yellow Jackets will participate.

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