

Basketball violations unacceptable, Newton must be held accountable

Head basketball coach Steve Newton may face the toughest test of his coaching career today.

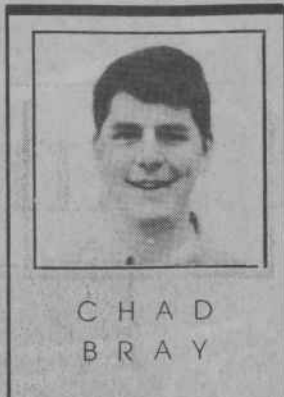
After an extensive internal investigation into the USC basketball program, President John Palms will release the results of the investigation to the public this morning.

In the report, NCAA Compliance Officer David Didion will determine whether or not three major rule violations occurred and what action, if any, should be taken by the NCAA against USC.

Possible violations, which will be discussed in the report, include allowing recruit Cortez Barnes to live in The Roost dormitory even though he was not enrolled as a student at USC.

Other violations could include providing him with athletic gear, allowing him to practice with the team and paying for correspondence courses he was taking to qualify for admission to USC.

Palms told The Gamecock Friday he is confident the NCAA will not impose any penalties other than the self-imposed penalties



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sity for two reasons. One was to build a competitive team in the Southeastern Conference. The other was to run a clean program.

I realize Newton seems to be running a competitive SEC program with a 2-2 record in the conference, but we haven't seen teams like Florida, Kentucky or Vanderbilt.

Also, Newton took over a team of experienced seniors this past year, only to go 3-14 against SEC opponents.

However, Newton's winning percentage is not an issue here. He was hired to run a clean program.

So far, the program has already taken self-imposed penalties for illegally providing transportation to recruit Percy Eberhart this year.

The Eberhart mistake is understandable. A new program with new coaches sometimes misses minute interpretations of NCAA regulations, but if Newton allowed Barnes to live in university housing, he has stepped past the limit of ignorance of regulations and jumped feet first into the cesspool of illegal recruiting practices.

Reports have also surfaced recently of another possible violation involving the transportation of a recruit.

If all of this is true, Newton has violated the trust of this university and its fans, and he should be fired with no regrets.

Palms should not be so complacent and comfortable in his belief that the NCAA will not punish USC's program severely.

The NCAA likes to make examples of dirty programs, and USC may have been caught with its proverbial pants down.



Newton

USC is expected to recommend in the report.

He also said he currently has no plans to replace Newton.

If the charges are true, Palms should change his mind about standing behind Newton.

Newton should be fired if the violations actually occurred. There should be no argument or thought of retaining him for program "consistency."

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Lady Gamecocks thrash Bulldogs, 77-57

By NANCY SALOMONSKY
Sports Editor

The Lady Gamecocks basketball team improved its record to 8-5 overall and 3-2 in the Southeastern Conference after defeating Georgia on Saturday, 77-57.

South Carolina was led by senior Marsha Williams, a 6-foot-4 center, with 21 points. Williams was one of five Lady Gamecocks in double figures. Senior Lori Joyner scored 17 points, while senior Michelle Murray added 13. Freshman Shannon Johnson and junior Nikki Bass each scored 10 points.

With 5:06 left in the first half, the Lady Gamecocks were down 26-19. However, a 7-0 run tied the game at 26 with 2:37 remaining. South Carolina went into the locker room with a 31-29 lead.

The Lady Gamecocks took control in the second half after Georgia Head Coach Andy Landers drew his first of two technical fouls. Joyner added the free throws for South Carolina after the technical.

"I didn't feel any pressure on the free throws. I just concentrated and took my time," Joyner said.

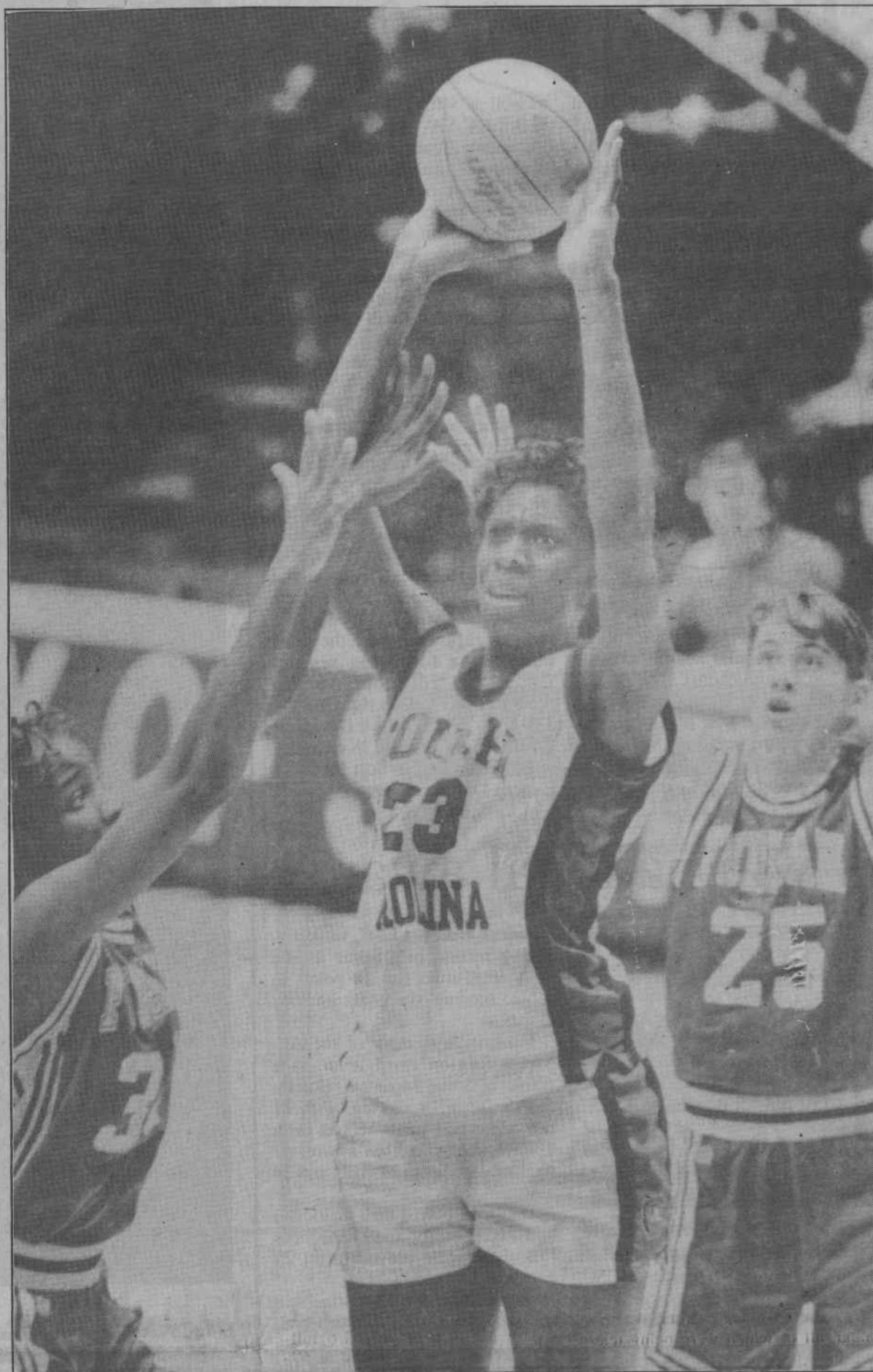
Landers, who was ejected with 47 seconds left, did not have much to say about the ejection.

"I had been frustrated throughout the game. The kids played hard, the coaches coached hard; everybody except a couple of people did a good job. Because of conference rules, I cannot make any further comment," Landers said.

This was the first South Carolina victory over Georgia since Feb. 9, 1978, in the Winthrop Invitational. After that, the Lady Bulldogs had won 10 straight. The series record now stands 11-2 in Georgia's favor.

"We played a good game. It was very physical, but our players executed well," USC Head Coach Nancy Wilson said.

"South Carolina whipped our rear inside. We didn't and couldn't get inside," Landers said. "South Carolina whipped us—that has nothing to do with anything else. I don't want to take anything away from South Carolina. They played well and did what they intended to do."



Center Marsha Williams, shown here against Furman, scored 21 points in the Lady Gamecocks' 77-57 victory against the Georgia Lady Bulldogs at the Carolina Coliseum Saturday.

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