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HUGH DURHAM

"HUGH DURHAM is a man of honor with one of the strongest competitive instincts I've known. His intensely serious approach to life is graced by a wry sense of humor. He's often the butt of his own jokes. Be wary of challenge in him at his own game, be it racquetball, golf or basketball. HUGH DURHAM is a winner."

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BRADLEY'S 21-YEAR RECORD BRILLIANT

Ron Bradley, former University of Georgia basketball and baseball standout (1953-57), has amassed an unbelievable coaching record at two state high schools and the veteran coach of 21 years continues to build on his impressive record.

Bradley, presently the Athletic Director at George Walton Academy in Monroe, Ga., began his coaching career at Newton County High, Covington, Ga., in 1958 and during the 17 years to follow at Newton County, Bradley guided the Rams to 430 wins and only 68 losses. Fourteen times Bradley's teams won 20 games or more and in one three-year stretch (1964-66), Newton County won 102 games and dropped six.

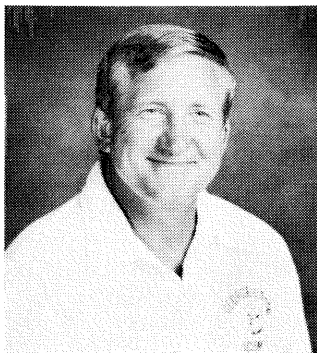
During his career at Newton County, Bradley's teams won 35 team championships, earned 12 invitations to the state tournament and had 13 players named to the All-State team on 19 occasions.

Fourteen of Bradley's players participated in the Coaches All-Star Game and 41 of his pupils have been selected All-Region performers.

Newton County's home court advantage was awesome. The Rams had a home court winning streak of 129, stemming from December 1959 to December 1968.

In 1975, Bradley left Newton County and accepted the athletic director's position at George Walton Academy. The success which became a Bradley trademark at Newton County has been evident at Walton.

Bradley's five-year coaching record at George Walton is 187-37, bringing his 21-year coaching



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record to an amazing 617-105, a winning percentage of 85.5%.

Bradley's responsibilities increased at Walton Academy. Along with the men's basketball position, Bradley became head women's basketball coach and head football coach.

Bradley's 1979 football team won the Southeastern Association of Independent Schools (SEIAS) Class A state championship with an 11-0-1 record, which included another winning streak -- 17 straight wins on the gridiron. Bradley was selected Coach of the Year by the SEIAS coaches in the state of Georgia.

During the 21-year coaching span of Bradley, the number of athletes excelling to All-State, All-Region and All-County have been staggering.

A Bradley-coached team has played in the state tournament 18 times. A total of 23 athletes have been honored as All-State, 55 to the All-Region teams and 21 players on the North All-Star team of the Coaches Association All-Star Game.

Bradley's personal achievements have been numerous. In 1965, Bradley was recognized by SPORT magazine for his accomplishments in Newton County. In 1973, Bradley was named National Coach of the Year by the National High School Coaches Association. He has been honored by the Georgia State Legislature on five occasions for his contributions to athletics in the state.

"The greatest feeling I've received in coaching is watching my former players becoming a success in life," Bradley commented via long distance. "I've been extremely fortunate to coach so many fine individuals in my 21 years."