It Was 'Fairleigh Ridiculous'
Virginia Tech's Larry Cook (22) gives a pained expression as the ball gets away from him in the Gobblers' game against Fairleigh-Dickerson Saturday night. F-Ds Steve Solop is an interested observer. Tech won 60-48. Story on page C-1.

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Gobbler who had any success against FDU. Cooke finished with 19 points because he was able to drive and get up on the offensive boards.

Actually, all the Gobbler were able to get up on the offensive boards, but they weren't able to get the ball to go in even on the second shot.

"That's just one of those things that will happen," explained DeVoe. "Our problem was a combination of poor offense by us and good defense by them."

George Aquilar was a bright spot for Tech. The little guard didn't score but one point but he gave the Gobbler's some ball handling and penetration when their offense was floundering.

"I've been hesitant to use George because he is a freshman and we've been in so many close ball games," DeVoe said. "But tonight, he proved he can handle the ball and can create some situations that will help us. George was able to penetrate and he made things happen. I was real pleased with the way he came in and moved the ball."

The win gives the Gobbler a 10-5 record. "The most important thing to come out of this game was that it was our 10th win. I'm just happy to win 10 out of 15."

"To start the season, we won some big ones real early and people think that we will blow teams out. But I'm happy just to win," DeVoe continued.

Now the Hokies go on the road for four games. "You can be assured that we'll have to play better than this to win those games," DeVoe admitted. "Those next four games will be a test for us. All four of those teams are capable of beating us."

"But I certainly don't think we've peaked for the season yet," said DeVoe. "If we have, we're in trouble. If the Gobblers don't play better than they did against the Fairleigh-Ridiculous team, they're in real trouble."