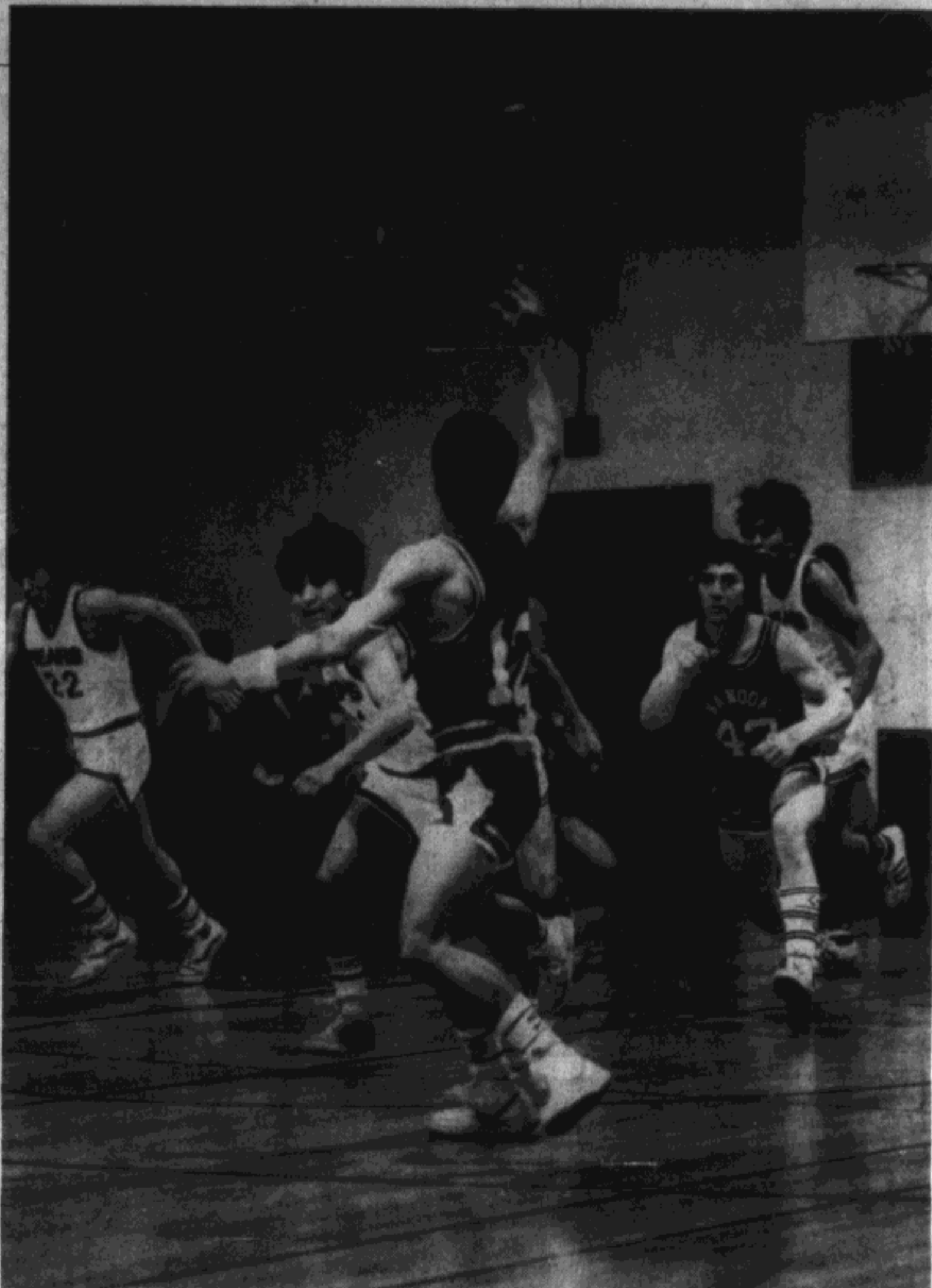


Friendly competition for Nome, Noorvik



During championship competition, Nome made a "fast break" (right) followed by a quick two points.

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The competition was intense as Nome met Noorvik in Region I and II basketball small high school basketball competition two weeks ago but the Nome Nanooks emerged the victors over rival Noorvik Bears.

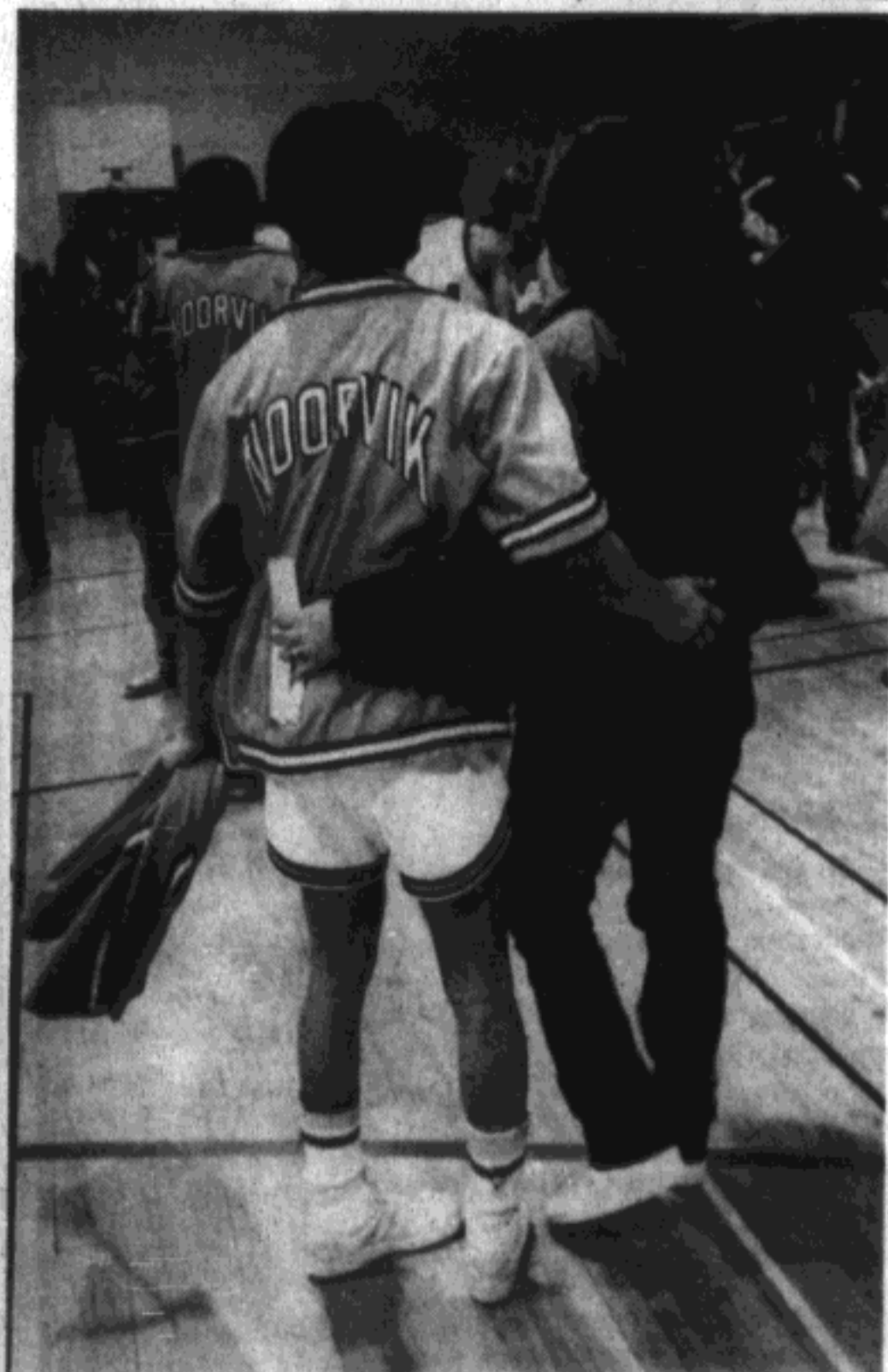
But despite the intense nature of the competition and the fevered enthusiasm of the players and spectators alike, the two teams remained respected adversaries.

When all was said and done, after jump shots and leg jam-

ming races from one end of the basketball court to another, the Nanooks stood to applaud the Bears as they accepted their second place medals and posed for their happy fans.



The Noorvik Bears may have lost the championship game, but that didn't stop proud fans from photographing them as they received their second place trophy.



A close friend was waiting to give one Bear a little understanding following their loss to the Nanooks.