### PORTS

## Former Black Stars hard to find in NBA

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There's usually at least two of them in the starting line-up. There's never more than three on the court at once; and seldom more than five on the roster.

I'm referring to the Black Carolina basketball players.

Since 1970, with the graduation of Charlie Scott, only four Black former Tar Heels have made it to the pro ranks. Walter "Sweet D" Davis will increase that number to five barring any major catastrophe.

Carolina's four Black NBA veterans - Charlie Scott, Bill Chamberlain, Bob McAdoo and Donald Washington - were united at the first annual Pro-Alumni basketball game. It was a blessing for the four of them to return, because along with Davis and the other Tar Heel alumni, they staged an unforgettable exhibition.

But you may wonder what these guys are doing now. How did they like Carolina? Here's what they had

#### **Charles Scott 1967-1970**

Charlie Scott, a 6-5 former UNC guard, now plays that same position for the Boston Celtics. Scott is probably the best cage star produced by Tar Heel Coach Dean Smith. The New York native was a member of the 1968 gold medal-winning U.S. Olympic basketball team at Mexico City. "Great Scott" (as he was tabbed by the press) won numerous honors as a collegian, but the most noticeable ones were reflected by the TV announcer for

the Tar Heel games: "Everybody's All-American, Charlie Scott."

Scott, who was the first Black Tar Heel cage star, said, "It was a good experience playing here under Coach Smith. I never thought of it as being the first. It was just an honor to be here."

Scott scored only one point in the Pro-Alumni game but defended his performance. "I hate All-Star games. I used to like them one time. But there comes a time when we all must slow down."

Scott also acknowledged the fact that he'd never played with most of the players on his team (White Team) before.

"Davis and Kupchak are used to playing together. They (Blue Team) had all the runners," Scott said, peering through his eye glasses. "For me it would be hard to come back every year, but I'd love to come, just to see all of the guys."

#### Bill Chamberlain (1968-1972)

Today, Bill Chamberlain is an assistant basketball coach at Duquesne University. His pro career lasted three years. In 1973, he played for Kentucky of the ABA, then spent the next two years with the NBA's Phoenix Suns.

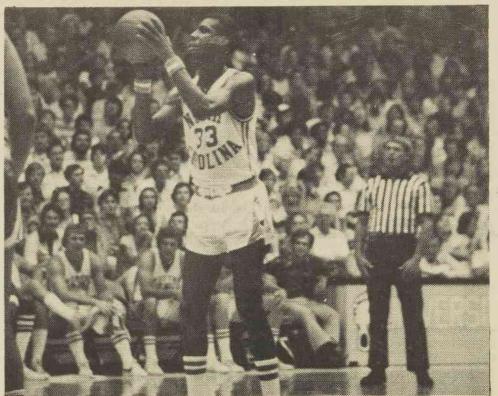
Chamberlain, also amative of New York, vividly recalls his days at Carolina and his relationship with the Black students.

"There were some serious things going down when I was here. You had to be conscious of who your people were. We had to be united. It was very important for Black people to know each other."

Chamberlain still remembered



Recent alumnus: Walter Davis amid traffic imposed by Lee Dedmon (left) and Bill Bunting. 



Staff photo by James Parker

Charlie Scott: His lone point came at the free throw line,

the names of the BSM chairman and vice-chairman from his college

Chamberlain added that it was good to be back in Chapel Hill. "The fans here know the game. They love it; they appreciate it. They were actually applauding the defense. It was a privilege to play here."

"If I can incorporate one tenth of the knowledge I learned from Coach Smith, I'll be a successful coach," Chamberlain said.

#### Robert McAdoo (1971-1972)

It seems like yesterday when a Robert McAdoo-led Tar Heel team was defeated by a Florida State team led by Ron King, Reggie Royal and pint-sized Otto Petty,

Actually, it was 1972 and the Heels had to settle for third place. Since that time, Bob McAdoo has done rather well for himself. The Greensboro native has been the NBA Rookie of the Year, NBA Player of the Year, and twice the NBA scoring champion.

"Big Mac" played five years with the Buffalo Braves but he'll start the 1977 season as a New York Knickerbocker.

"I think the Knicks can put it all together," he said. McAdoo has set and reached numerous goals, but one has continually eluded him.

"My single goal is to win the world championship."

#### Donald Washington (1972)

Donald Washington is presently playing forward for the Denver Nuggets of the National Basketball Association. At Carolina, Washington played in one NIT (National Invitational Tournament). He also played on the 1972 Rainbow Clas-

At Denver, Washington is in good hands with Nuggets Coach Larry Brown, a former Tar Heel himself. He's also joined by forward Bobby Jones, another Carolina product.

Washington, whose collegiate career was marred by academic ineligibility, received his A.B. degree in Studio Art in 1972.

"It's always good to come back to Chapel Hill," he said. Washington, who scored 17 points in the Pro-Alumni Affair, said he was pleased with his performance.

# Davis and Kupchak pace Blues' victory

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A crowd of 9,000 endured tropical temperatures in Carmichael Auditorium as the Blues slaughtered the Whites, 105-60, in the First Annual Carolina Pro-Alumni game.

The Blues, led by Walter Davis, Mitch Kupchak, and Lee Shafer, scored 18 unanswered points in the first three minutes of the second half to walk away from the Whites.

Kupchak led all scorers with 27 points, but it was Davis and Shafer who injected some excitement into an otherwise dull game. Davis recred 17 points and brought the se down with an array of dazzling moves. Shafer, the ACC Player of the Year in 1960 and the NBA Rookie of the Year in 1961, maneuvered inside against current NBA stalwarts Robert McAdoo and Donald Washington for 15 points.

Surprisingly, Charlie Scott scored just one point. The Boston Celtics star admitted disliking all-star contests.

"I'm trying to concentrate on playing winning basketball rather than individual performances," said Scott. "Pro all-star games are terrible."

Bill Chamberlain, now a coach at Duquesne University, added 14 points to the Blues' winning effort.

Proceeds from the game benefitted the Campus Chest, a University charity organization.