

BASEBALL TEAM UPSETS CATAWBA

A SLANT ON SPORTS

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BASEBALL TRIP

These baseball trips are wonderful. Just think—one can skip classes and receive absence slips for doing so! We visit different colleges and meet many people. Yep, its fun.

It seems that the grass is always greener on the other side. As we visit the various colleges with their nice buildings and eat their good chow (we won't mention women), we often wish we'd gone there instead of Elon. But Elon has its good points, too.

Things always look brighter when we are the larger end of the score. It certainly does help to make the trip a more pleasant one.

When we lose, the trip becomes a drudgery. We begin to gripe about this and that, we criticize

the other team and the umpires, and we tear down each other. Of course, we should have won the game, if so and so had done this and if this guy had done that. Well, it all adds up to this: It's just as pleasant to play at home as it is anywhere else.

Then there is always another side to the story. We, who are studious (Ahem!), miss our classes; we leave our wives and sweethearts behind, we have to rush from place to place, dress and undress. We ride many miles to play a ball game and rush right back, all in a day or two. Tough, isn't it?

Some of the veterans have been giving "Pep" Watkins, Larry McCauley and Dick York some fatherly advice about the Army. They tell them what to do and what not to do. And when the "Recruits" begin complaining about this good old civilian life, the old boys begin to tell them about the rough old times in the army.

Then, too, believe it or not, the boys even try to do a bit of studying between innings. Bill Anderson always has a bookkeeping worksheet with him, Dick York carries an edition of HAMLET in his back pocket, Frank Roberts is always trying to analyze some situations in labor problems, while Burns and your writer are "Sprechend Deutsch" to each other.

Then there are Jack Andrews, "Woody" Wilson, and "Bo" McSwain, beating their brains over the active and passive voice, and seeking to master the subjunctive mood. Johnny Clayton, Clarence Swinney, and Steve Walker are looking into the zoological assignment that Dr. Gravitt has bestowed upon them, and Coach Pierce is trying to teach "Pep some American history. But Johnny Hill, W. C. Latta, Bill Claytor, and Larry McCauley are studying the finer things in life (we won't mention women).

This is a baseball trip.

Say, did any of you readers see that picture of Ace Harrell in the GREENSBORO RECORD last week? He's being pegged out at home plate during the Veterans Club softball game with Burlington Mills. Beautiful slide, Ace, but the throw was too soon!

Football team winds up its spring training this week. No more bruises and liniment till the fall, boys!

Elon Netmen Triumph After Losing 2 Meats

Elon's varsity tennis team broke into the win column for the first time this season on Monday afternoon, when the Fighting Christian netmen defeated the Guilford College squad, 4-3, on the Elon courts. Two days earlier, on Saturday, the Maroon and Gold netters had dropped a 4-3 decision to Catawba, following an 8-0 setback at the hands of the Greensboro Tennis Association.

In the victory over Guilford, Tommy Boyenton, Lawrence Paige, and Al Burlingame defeated their opponents at singles, and Bill Love and Burlingame scored in doubles play.

Love was the only Christian to win at singles in the Catawba meet, while the Love-Burlingame and Boyenton-Paige combinations hung up doubles victories.

The remainder of the tennis schedule finds High Point at Elon on April 30, Elon at Guilford on May 3, at Catawba on May 10, at High Point on May 14, and G.T.A. at Elon on May 15.

Results to date. ELON 4, GUILFORD 3—Boyenton (E) beat Hilliard, 6-2, 6-3; Paige (E) beat Byatt, 6-3, 9-11, 6-4; Cavan (E) beat Love, 6-2, 6-4; Burlingame (E) beat Andrews, 6-1, 6-0; Edgerton (G) beat Wright, 6-3, 6-3; Cavan-Hilliard (G) beat Paige-Boyenton, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4; Love-Burlingame (E) beat Byatt-Andrews, 6-0, 6-1.

CATAWBA 4, ELON 3—Settlemyer (C) beat Holt, 6-0, 6-0; Hartman (C) beat Paige, 6-4, 6-3; Smith (C) beat Burlingame, 6-4, 6-2; Love (E) beat Webb, 8-6, 6-3, 6-4; McGinnis (C) beat Boyenton, 6-1, 6-1; Paige Boyenton (E) beat Woosley-Johnston, 6-1, 6-1; Love-Burlingame (E) beat Van Poole-Drake, 6-0, 7-5.

G. T. A. 8, ELON 0—Shepherd beat Boyenton, 6-2, 6-0; Thompson beat Burlingame, 6-1, 6-3; Fields beat Wright, 7-5, 6-3; Coleman beat Love, 6-1, 6-2; Hilliard beat Paige, 6-2, 6-0; Carrigan beat Holt, 6-2, 6-0; Hooke-Shepherd beat Love-Burlingame, 6-2, 6-1; Carrigan-Hudgins beat Paige-Boyenton, 6-0, 6-3.

Elon Nine Outwallops Hanes, 12-9

With Johnny Clayton and Frank Roberts getting three hits apiece and driving in nine runs between them, Elon's varsity baseball team won a free-scoring, 12-9 victory over Hanes Hosiery at Winston-Salem on April 15. Both teams tallied four times in the first inning, but Elon went ahead with a run in the third and was never headed thereafter. "Pep" Watkins, who went six innings before being relieved by Jack Andrews, was the winning pitcher.

The box:

Elon (12)	AB	R	H	A
Latta, cf	5	2	0	0
York, rf	4	1	2	1
Burns, rf	2	0	0	0
Wilson, c	0	3	0	0
Castura, c	2	0	0	0
Clayton, ss	4	2	3	2
Roberts, 1b	5	1	3	0
Walker, 3b	5	0	0	2
Swinney, lf	5	1	1	1
Claytor, 2b	5	0	1	4
Watkins, p	2	1	0	0
Andrews, p	1	0	0	0
aAnderson	1	0	0	0
bHill	0	1	0	0
Totals	39	12	10	10

a Ran for Watkins in 6th.
b Ran for York in 4th.

Hanes Hosiery (9)

AB	R	H	A	
Mason, ss	4	0	0	1
Ivester, 2b	4	3	2	3
Green, 3b	4	2	2	0
Carter, rf	5	1	1	0
Motsinger, cf	5	0	3	1
Hampton, lf	5	1	1	0
Hemrick, 1b	5	0	1	0
Binkley, c	1	0	0	0
Sheets, c	4	1	3	0
Miller, p	0	0	0	0
Morrison, p	1	0	0	0
Franklin, p	0	0	0	0
Snow, p	2	0	1	0
Alderman, p	1	1	1	0
Totals	41	9	15	5

E—Mason 2, Greene, Motsinger, Wilson, Walker. RBI—York, Clayton 4, Roberts 3, Swinney, Ivester 2, Greene 2, Motsinger, Hampton 3, Hemrick. 2BH—Greene, Motsinger, Sheets, Clayton. SB—Watkins, Roberts, Carter. BOB—Off Watkins 2, Andrews 2, Miller 2, Snow 2, Alderman 1. SO—By Watkins 3, Andrews 1, Morrison 1, Franklin 1, Snow 3, Alderman 5. H—Off Watkins 9 in 6, Andrews 6 in 3, Miller 1 in 0, Morrison 2 in 2, Franklin 1 in 1, Snow 6 in 3, Alderman 0 in 3. LOB—Elon 6, Hanes 7. Wild Pitch—Franklin. WP—Watkins. LP—Snow. U—Richard and Sapenfield. T—2-30.

Pierce Men Nip Quakers

Held to three hits, but capitalizing on the wildness of Guilford's Joe Winner, who walked ten men during the afternoon, the Elon Christians eked out a 2-1 victory over the Quakers on Monday, in a North State conference baseball game at Elon. The win was the first for Coach Jan Pierce's nine in five league starts and gave the team a season's record of four wins and four losses.

Guilford's hurler was his own undoing in the tight battle. Steve Walker's single and three straight walks off Winner gave Elon its first run in the fourth inning. The walk came across a moment later, when a blow by Castura was muffed, allowing Bill Claytor, who had walked, to score from third.

The visitors came back in the fifth frame to get their only run on Whiteheart's hit and a long smash by Frye.

Jimmy McSwain and Jack Andrews shared mound duties for the Christians, each giving up three hits. Jimmy started and worked until the sixth, when Andrews relieved him and held safe his team's one-run lead. McSwain was credited with the victory.

The box:

Guilford (1)	AB	R	H	A
Whiteh, lf	4	1	1	0
Frye, 3b	4	0	0	1
Nance, ss	3	0	0	0
Jones, ss	1	0	0	0
Ellis, 2b	4	0	0	1
Chatham, 1b	3	0	0	1
Faircloth, 1b	1	0	0	0
Leonard, cf	4	0	3	0
Gordon, rf	4	0	2	0
Irwin, c	4	0	0	1
Winner, p	1	0	0	4
aRay	1	0	0	0
bObiant	1	0	0	0
Totals	35	1	6	3

Elon (2)

AB	R	H	A	
Latta, cf	3	0	0	1
York, rf	5	0	1	1
Castura, c	2	0	0	1
Clayton, ss	2	0	0	7
Roberts, 1b	4	0	0	0
Walker, 3b	3	1	1	2
Swinney, lf	3	0	0	0
Claytor, 2b	3	1	1	1
McSwain, p	2	0	0	0
Andrews, p	2	0	0	1
Totals	28	2	3	14

a Batted for Winner in 9th.
b Batted for Nance in 7th.

E—Clayton, Clayton, Walker, Faircloth, Nance, Jones, Irwin. RBI—Frye, Latta, Castura. Sac.—Andrews. DP—Nance (un-assisted), Latta to Roberts. BOB—Off Winner 10, McSwain 4. SO—By Winner 3, McSwain 4, Andrews 3. H—Off McSwain 3 in 5, Andrews 3 in 4. LOB—Elon 12, Guilford 9. WP—McSwain. U—Reiber and Ridenhour. T—2:10.

Walker's Long Hits Help Anderson Win



JACK ANDREWS, Elon pitcher, who turned in smart relief job for Christians during 2-1 victory over Guilford.

It takes pitching and hitting to win baseball games, and Elon got both Wednesday night when the Christians met Catawba's Indians in a North State conference battle under the lights of Elon's renovated ballpark. The result was a 5-3 upset victory over Catawba, the second conference win in succession for Elon.

Steve Walker, Christian third baseman, provided the main batting punch of the evening, garnering three of his team's eight hits—a single, double, triple—and driving in three runs, including the winning tally. The pitching end of the deal was capably taken care of by Bill Anderson, who scattered nine hits among the enemy and blanked his foes the last five innings.

One of the freak plays of the season occurred in the third inning, when a liner bounced off Anderson's head and flew into Walker's glove at third. Steve pegged to second to catch a Catawba runner off the bag for a double play.

CATAWBA (3)	AB	R	H	A
Dorton, c	5	0	0	0
Lisk, cf	4	0	1	1
Lyerly, 3b	5	2	1	0
Gabriel, 1b	5	0	1	0
Georgiana, rf	3	0	1	0
Richardson, lf	4	0	1	0
Almond, 2b	3	1	0	1
Poole, ss	3	0	2	0
Van Hoy, ss	3	0	0	0
Taylor, p	4	0	2	3
*Williams	1	0	0	0
Totals	37	3	9	5

*—Batted for Poole in 8th.

Lenoir-Rhyme, Catawba Rout Elon, 8-1, 10-2

The Elon baseball team opened its North State conference diamond campaign on the road April 12 and 13, playing Lenoir Rhyme at Hickory in the curtain-raiser and Catawba at Salisbury the following day. Elon was defeated in both games.

Coach Jan Pierce saw a two-game Elon winning streak snapped as pitcher Sisk held the Christians to a measly two hits. Both safe blows came from the bat of Shortstop Johnny Clayton. Johnny singled in the seventh inning and tripled in the ninth, after pinch-hitter Lewis Nance had drawn a base on balls. The resulting run was Elon's only score of the game.

Lenoir-Rhyme sewed up the contest in the fifth inning with a seven-run rally, knocking Bill Anderson out of the box. Relief-hurler "Pep" Watkins limited the Bears to one hit and one run in the final three frames.

Catawba's Indians, led by Shortstop Bill Poole, found Elon just as easy pickings as had Lenoir-Rhyme. Although the Indians held only a 3-2 lead until the sixth inning, four runs in that frame, one in the seventh, and two more in the eighth gave them a comfortable margin of victory. Poole batted four-for-four to pace a 16-hit attack against Elon's twiflers Jack Andrews and Jimmy McSwain. Greene, the Catawba moundsman, limited his Christian rivals to five scattered safeties.

UNDEFEATED JOKERS PACE INTRAMURALS

By virtue of three straight victories, the Jokers lead in the intramurals but have yet to meet their closest competitors, the Bombardiers. Victory number one came over the Wolves, in a 17-12 slugfest. Number two was over the Daybreakers, 10-5, with King and Mulford having 8 of the 9 Joker hits between them. The third victory was over the Wolves again, in a close 11-9 squeeze. Carson and Lassiter hit for the circuit for the winners; Price and McKinney exploded round-trippers for the losers.

The Bombardiers grabbed a 7-1 verdict over the Day-Breakers behind Fred Register's pitching and also won a 9-0 forfeit over the same team. Perry Ayscue homered in the first contest. The Wolves' only victory has been over the Bombardiers by a 22-3 count.

STANDINGS

Team	W.	L.
Jokers	3	0
Bombardiers	2	1
Wolves	1	2
Day-Breakers	0	3

ELON (5)	AB	R	H	A
Latta, cf	2	0	0	1
York, rf	5	0	0	0
Castura, c	5	1	1	0
Clayton, ss	3	3	2	6
Roberts, 1b	4	0	1	0
Walker, 3b	4	1	3	2
Swinney, lf	2	0	0	0
Claytor, 2b	4	0	0	0
Anderson, p	3	0	1	2
Totals	32	5	9	11

Score by innings:
Catawba 101 100 000—3
Elon 012 010 10x—5

Summary: E—Walker, Roberts, Castura, Richardson, Almond 2, Gabriel. RBI—Gabriel, Georgiana, Dorton, Walker 3, Roberts. 3B—Walker. 2B—Lisk, Walker, Clayton, Roberts. SB—Lyerly, Castura, Almond, Georgiana. DB—Walker to Clayton; Lisk to Poole. BB—Off Anderson 3, Taylor 6. SO—By Anderson 4, Taylor 6. LOB—Elon 10, Catawba 10. WP—Taylor 2. PB—Dorton. U—Matthews and Ridenhour. T—1:58.

Christians Bow Twice To A.C.C.

Elon met with double trouble at Wilson last weekend, when the Fighting Christian baseball team hooked up there with Atlantic Christian College in a two-game series. A. C. C. won the first game, on Friday, by a 5-3 margin; then added insult to injury by taking Saturday's contest, 6-1, for a pair of North State conference victories.

In the first clash, Bulldog hurler D. J. Thorne, who recently turned down a professional offer, pitched and batted his mates to their triumph. He allowed only eight hits, struck out eleven batters without issuing a single walk, and drove in four runs with three hits in four trips to the plate.

Elon's only threat was a five-hit outburst in the fifth inning, during which all of their runs were scored and the game tied up, 3-all. Thorne batted in the winning run in the sixth and another with an eighth-inning double. Bill Anderson pitched all the way for Elon, yielding ten hits. Leading the losers' attack was Clarence Swinney, who connected twice in four tries.

The Saturday game found Jack Andrews, McLeansville hurler, the victim of his teammates' jittery fielding. Jack gave only six hits but seven Elon errors aided A. C. C. to score two runs in the first, two in the third, and two more in the eighth. The losers collected only five hits off Bulldog pitcher Thompson, two of the blows coming from Steve Walker, who scored Elon's only run in the seventh inning.



STEVE CASTURA, veteran Elon catcher, one of the Christian baseball team's key men. Steve is acting temporarily as sports editor of the MAROON AND GOLD.

BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Watch the announcements concerning changes pending for night games if the Burlington Bees are playing away. Afternoon games start at 3:30 except for May 4 (May-day), that game beginning at 2 p. m.

- April 27: Appalachian (there).
- April 30: High Point (here).
- May 1: Lenoir-Rhyme (here).
- May 3: Guilford (there).
- May 4: Appalachian (here).
- May 8: Atlantic Christian (here).
- May 9: Atlantic Christian (here).
- May 14: High Point (there).
- May 17: ORD-AAF (here).

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