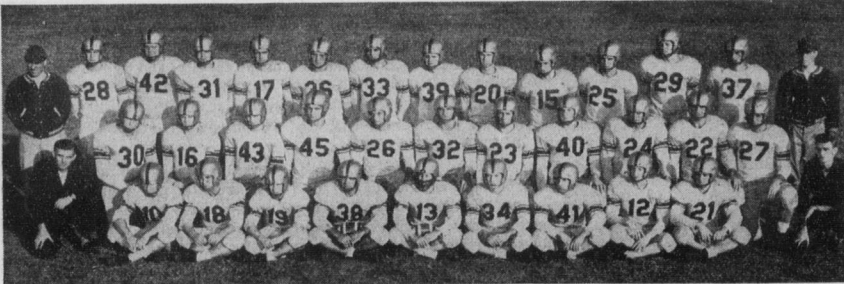


The Guilfordian

Special Sports Section

Guilford Embark



THE 1949 QUAKER FOOTBALL SQUAD—Co-Captains were Tut Sherrill and Bill McCormick.

TIPS . . . By THOMY

There just ain't nothing slow about our Guilford boys. The other schools in the North State Conference made this startling discovery last week when the Quakers won the circuit track championship going away . . . away from the other contestants, that is.

After the meet a local newspaper sports reporter wrote: "Guilford has finally found a sport it could win." True enough—but the Quakers have thoughts on winning other sports. Just give them time. It is important to play to win just as it is important to study history to gain an A on the course. If and when you give everything you've got—and know that you have done so—then it's no disgrace to lose.

To my mind, there have been two unforgettable sports moments at Guilford College this semester, two moments in which I felt a part of the athletic teams. The first was the Guilford-Lenoir Rhyne basketball game, won by the Quakers after a great struggle. The second was the track meet on Friday afternoon when the Quakers again overcame the odds to win. In each case, the opponent was favored or leading when Guilford made its bid. And both times the Quakers proved that they had that extra "zip" needed to come through.

Nobody notices a team that wins by overpowering another team each week, but when a group of boys come from behind to win they gain the admiration of their followers and non-followers alike. The American people pull for the underdog.

That is neither hither nor yon, though, as far as the track meet is concerned. I believe that the meet proved the fact that track is here to stay, in the North State Conference at least. The officials from Elon, High Point, Lenoir Rhyne and Guilford were well pleased with the excellent meet. Jim Rawlins, who inaugurated the meet as his thesis material, certainly deserves most of the credit. It was through his efforts that track returned to the conference. Many commented on the efficiency which he displayed in handling the meet.

A track fan could not ask for a finish more thrilling than the grand finale of the meet. Here was the situation: Elon College led with 56 points and Guilford trailed with 53. One more event, the mile relay, remained. First place would pay off with five points, while the second and third finishers would get no points.

The spectators were hopeful as Bill Topping broke quickly around the first turn and took a slight lead. He had the throttle open all the way around the track and when he handed the baton to Wally Maultsby he was leading by some 20 yards. Maultsby didn't let up; in fact, he added more fuel to the race. He brought the baton to Phil Feeney with a 30-yard lead. Feeney scooted around the circle with the same determination, then flashed in with a 40-yard lead. Galloping Joe Breeden did the rest. He finished the race and had time for a steak dinner before the second place team crossed the line.

There's no reason in the world why Guilford should not have the same spirit at all of its athletic events. Someone remarked that you can put the New York Yankees against the Boston Red Sox in Yankee Stadium and if there are no spectators in the stands no one will be interested in the contest. That is true to a certain extent. What's the use of making a good tennis shot or a hole-in-one in golf if no one is there to see you?

End of sermon for today.

Alumni Aid

Guilford's rise in athletics can be attributed to the Guilford Foundation. C. B. Wilson and Ed McBane are leaders of the function.

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Intramural Athletic Program Expanded Under New System

The Guilford College intramural sports department has expanded its program this year, and has enjoyed a successful season.

The opening program sponsored by the department was a tag football tournament. Student director Al Milner organized it on a double elimination basis. After an exciting season the Guilford Clowns, composed of day students, emerged with the title. Old North came through as runner-ups. An all-campus team was selected from the participants. Award certificates were presented to the winning club, runners-up, and all-campus team.

Following the grid campaign was a volleyball tournament. A total of twelve teams entered the single elimination affair with the Guilford Clowns again capturing the crown, Archdale taking second place.

After the Christmas holidays the biggest intramural event of the year was staged . . . the basketball tournament. Directed by Tom Evaul, it was organized on a three league round robin. The Clowns, Yankee Stadium, and the Married Vets won their respective leagues. In the play-offs the Clowns turned back the Stadium in the final round. Handsome individual trophies were awarded to each member of the championship team, runner-ups all-campus team, selected at the close of the season, and to the league's high scorer, Bob Shoaf. Don McLeod was also awarded the sportsmanship trophy.

With the coming of spring, the intramurals hit their busiest season. Of prime importance to most students of course is the softball race. New North, the Goats, the Bellycans, and the Misfits look like the teams to battle it out as play enters into the final week.

Another big tournament in the spring is golf. Guilford is a member of the National Foundation which awards medals to the intramural champion of member schools. The tournament is on its last leg with three players remaining. John Price and Bill Teague will play off with the winner to meet Harold Lamonds for the crown. A mixed doubles intramural tennis tournament was the final event of the intramural season with Hooks Dillon and Butch Hayworth walking off with honors. Bigger and still better plans are being made for next year.

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Quakers Overpower A. C. C. as Venable Wins His First Start

The Quakers displayed a hitting attack against the Christians which has been lacking in their previous games. The grey and red collected 15 hits off two Christian pitchers Horne and Glazer. Glazer came into the game in the sixth inning after Horne had allowed nine hits and showed definite signs of weakening. Glazer allowed six more hits as the Quakers showed no mercy.

J. T. Venable won his first game of the year, giving up ten scattered hits while going the route for the Quakers.

Joe Myers and John Collins showed up well in the outfield for the Cheekmen. Myers showed his ability to hit a long ball by banging a long triple over the left fielders head in the fifth frame, while Collins rapped an automatic double down the right field foul line in the seventh.

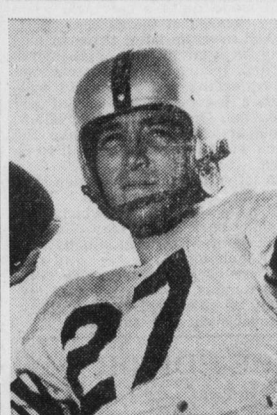
In the Appalachian game, the Quakers came out on the short end of an 11-3 score. The Quakers couldn't seem to get started in this game as Pearson pitched a seven hit ball game for the Mountaineers.

Against Lenoir Rhyne, the Quakers ran up against Dillinger one of the better pitchers in the North State Conference. He limited the red and grey to only one hit while the Bears were collecting twelve off Dewey Wolfe. The Bears won the game 6-2.

After defeating E. C. T. C. in the first game of the season Guilford dropped an 8-4 decision to the same club on Hobbs field last Saturday, May 6. Taking no chances, the E. C. T. C. coach used three pitchers to keep the Quakers under control. Several times the Quakers got men on base, but could not muster the necessary hitting power to bring them across the plate.

Guilford now holds a record of two wins and eight losses in the Conference. There are three more games remaining, one with Catawba on Hobbs field on Saturday, May 12, on with High Point on Tuesday at High Point and the last with Elon at their field.

If Wednesday's game is any indication of things to come, Guilford should come through victorious in their next three games. The hitting department seems to have picked up and the boys, never lacking in hustle, should sweep the next three games.



AL JOHNS, who, along with John Schopp, will be co-captain of the 1950 football team.

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SPORTS REVIEW

By TOM EVANS

As spring wanes into early summer the No longer do crowds jam the gym to v of bats and the whiz of footballs are gone fr great year of sports at Guilford, the beginni administration, the major sports teams have t and minor sports have hit a new peak.

Football

Let us look back over the past se lights that produced the thrills. in September. The grey 'n' red football tea hard training in the mountains; their first op Appalachian. Everyone knows the story. T couldn't be stopped. When the dust had clea 13, Appalachian 12. Three more wins and a powerful Emory and Henry eleven, followe when the Quakers took the field against a big riddled the squad. Not to be denied, howeve Bears' powerful running attack in check. A l the game out of the bag for the Rhyner. 7 on a sad note, losing a close one to Catawba, a goes-wrong days against Elon, Bill Topping, flashy Al Johns were the Quaker represent this year. Sam Lynch, Ab Alexander, Jerry played hard ball up front, while Yarborough of the backs did some fine ball-carrying for Quakers served notice this season that next handle, and even a better record than this y

Basketball

But with the closing of the gr basketball. The Quakers ope a close one to a strong McCrary Eagles five Eller's Bluejackets a week later they pved 83 points. Not until after the new semester the win column again. They began a five-g by a loss to Catawba, with another 82-33 triu clubs that went under in this spurt were Atl Elon, and Lenoir Rhyne. Against the Bears played their best form of the season. It was a changing hands every few minutes. Howeve led by Al Johns and Jace Ralls, iced the game North State Tournament at Statesville, the to Appalachian, who went on to win the title scoring, was selected on the all-conference te player on the club, chipped in with some fine and Al Johns proved to be the big men un Venable, and all the others played some fine l

Baseball

As the basketball season passed to blossom forth. Baseball got o squad won two out of its first three games. T verdict over Eastern Carolina and a 13-3 triu more, Md. After this, however, the team f going. Coach Cheek made several changes in the team's leading hitter at present, into the and giving several other rookies a chance to finally broke loose against Atlantic Christian 17-5 victory. Sam Venuto led the club with broke into the lineup with a good showing. a few more games to be played and can show play the brand of ball they did against A. C.

Tennis

The tennis team made a sensation opened with victories over E. C. T. C. and High Point, handing the Panthers their bowing to Elon. Ayusawa, Fine, Rives, Wa displayed some fine tennis, and with the seas hoping for a good finish in the conference ra

Golf

The golf team got off to a slow start tournament they were able to cop a Smithdeal, Alexander, Hall, and Smith all c with Tharin being one of the most consisten

Track

And finally we have our track team time since the war, the cindermen t formance of any Guilford team this year. It Paul Lentz, who brought home the North S beating out Elon in the conference meet, 58 in individual scoring; Bill Topping, who talli who pulled the iron man stunt by placing sec as well as many others, are to be congratul capturing the title.

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