



Hart-beat

Spring Brings Minor Sports

BY SID HART

In spite of the recent sub-freezing weather, and the snow, spring is still just around the corner. And in spring a young man's fancy turns to . . . sports. Well, you didn't expect a sportswriter to say it turns to love. If Mother Nature would quit acting like someone that doesn't take kindly to mankind, Guilford would be busting out all over with spring sports. After football and basketball holding the spotlight for such a long time, baseball, tennis, track, and golf take over. And there is an outside chance that wrestling will invade the campus as a varsity sport. Now, if someone would donate an indoor swimming pool, Guilford's sport's program would be complete. The lake is nice, but you will have to admit that it gets a mite cold during the time of year that other teams are competing in the water sport. Besides, it isn't the ideal thing to hold meets in anyway. One thing is for sure, these minor sports as they are called, are the only winners on the campus at the present time.

Benedetto Stars

And only baseball, with a pair, gives any scholarships. In the major of the minor sports, baseball was the only team last year with a record that fell under the .500 level, and even then it was only one game under with a 9-10 mark. Back this year to bolster the squad will be five starters, including pitchers. Returning vets are **BILL RODDY, BILLY WEST, RUSSELL GRAY, TOMMY DILLON, BOB ALLRED, TOM O'BRIANT, "SNOOKY" BENEDETTO,** and **JOE PEGRAM.** **BENEDETTO** was placed on the North State all-conference nine last season for his pitching prowess.

Linkers Sweep Loop

The golfers made other members of the loop look like a bunch of beginners as they ran off with the championship of the North State. Led by **PAT BRADY'S** record breaking 140 for 36 holes, Guilford beat the field by more than 25 strokes. **BRADY** is ineligible for competition this year but still might be used as golfing coach. Members of the team returning to the links for the Quakers are **PAUL McNEILL** and **BRANCH CRAWFORD.** A welcome newcomer will be **GORDON BREWER.** Now, if **CONNIE GORSUCH** were to be allowed to compete on the team, Guilford would be sure to defend its title successfully this spring.

Washburn Leads Racqueteers

Then you have to consider the racket, or rather racquet-men. With **BOB ATLAS,** now departed, and **JORDAN WASHBURN** coming up, **WASHBURN,** the number two man on the team last year, will probably move up to handle the number one slot. Coming back to give him support are **MACON NIXON** and **JIMMY ASKINS.** With this trio as a nucleus, the Quakers are again going to have to be reckoned with in the sport of tennis.

Thin Clads Weak in Field

Although hampered by the lack of stars in the field events, the track team still finished with an even slate for the season and wound up third in the conference meet. Returnees for this year that will spark the team are **"SPIDER" WEBB, BOB HENDERSON, BOB ROSIER, BILLY GARNER, "BUCK" CARSON, DAVE HARDIN, HOWARD BEATON,** and **JIM BURGESS.** All but **CARSON** and **BURGESS** compete in the dashes and distance runs, with **HENDERSON** doubling up to enter the pole vault. If some of these big tackles on the grid team were to be able to handle the shot, discus, and javelin, Guilford would be ready in track.

Overall Record Good

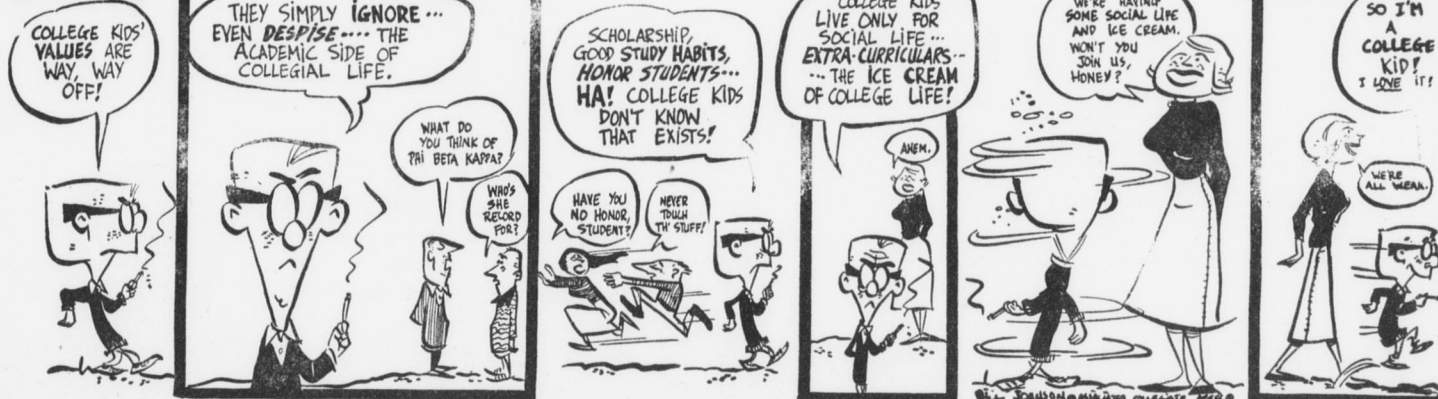
A combined record of all minor sports shows that springtime gives Guilford a 33-20 slate for last year's efforts. And that is very good when you stop to consider that everyone of the participants were competing for fun, and for the sake of upholding Guilford in the sport's field.

Athlete of the Week

Out of a heart-breaking loss at the hands of Catawba came one brilliant display, the rebounding of **ROGER ROAN.** The 6-2 forward from Cresco, Pa. was again the yeoman for the Quakers on the boards and finished the night with 15 rebounds to account for almost half of the total Guilford pulled off all night. Although **ROAN** has not hit the double figures since the last meeting with the Indians, he is still the mainstay for the Quakers in the all-important rebounding department. For his brilliance on the boards for the last two weeks, and all season,

goes the title of Athlete of the Week to **ROGER ROAN,** runner-up for it last time.

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Intramurals

By WOODY FINLEY

The Bears are at it again. This time the sport is basketball and after two weeks of hard-wood warfare, Joe Pegram's A Team can look back over an unbeaten 5-0 record. Not only this, but the Bears from Cox's coffin corner have knocked off their three toughest opponents in grabbing a solid hold on first place in the Intramural League standings.

A fighting Yankee Stadium A team fell short of beating the Bears by one point, 31 to 30. Billy West's Day Hop team came out on the short end of the score, 36-28. Center A, led by easy-going Dale Myers, made a game of it before succumbing 43-28.

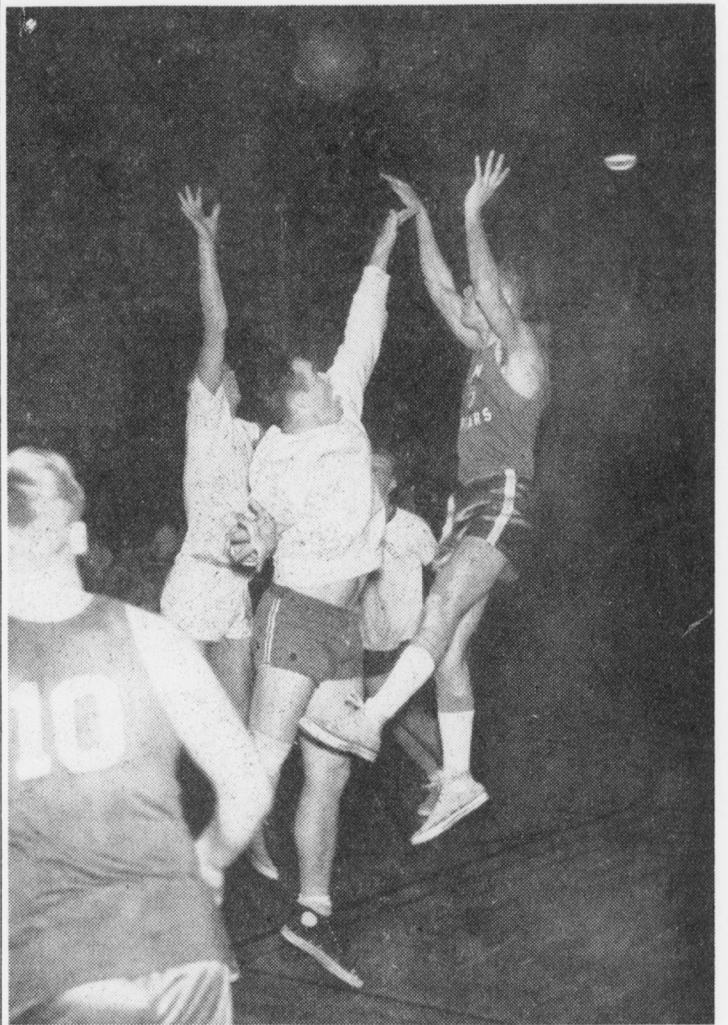
Team spirit has always earmarked the different New North sporting aggregations. That, in part, is the key to their success in the present basketball season. Mostly, however, winning for the Polar Bears is spelled Billy Garner. Long, lithe, and a jack-rabbit of a rebounder, Billy is the pivot man on the team and his 54 points in five games tie him with Ron Teachey of the Day Hops for the scoring lead. Mr. Garner is backed by a talented bunch headed by "Podge-Eye" Helton, Jordan Washburn, and George Hines.

John Meroney and his Yankee Stadium A team can't wait until the play-offs. The well-rounded Stadium five is equipped with the goods to go all the way and many have picked it to continue its winning ways into the play-offs on March 11th and maybe the championship. The Stadium's menu for winning calls for a tall rangy center in Sherwood Loyd, two sharp-shooting forwards in Gary Cassel and Bill Huber, and two fast-driving guards in Jackie Williams and Jimmy Elks. Jimmy, by the way, leads the league in scoring average with 16.1 points per game in the three contests he has taken part in. Gary Cassel is second in total scoring with 46 points in four games.

Led by Ron Teachey and Harold James, the Day Hops are also serious contenders for the Intramural League basketball crown. Showing a lot of spirit and hustle, the transmutters have won all of their games after their loss to New North on the seventh of February. Patton and Carl Opauski furnish the brawn and the rebounding on the neat Day Hop basketball package.

Center A, which was an early favorite, has proved hot and cold in their five games. Bill Raiford's hoopsters feature the shooting eye of Buddy Farrell and the ball-handling of Earl Braxton. Center A's victories have ranged from a one-point win over the Black Panthers of Archdale to a mild runaway of 46 to 21 over English A.

The spirit shown this year on the court of the Gym has been good. Games have been running on schedule. Coach Maynard hopes to see that the regular schedule is finished and the play-offs "started" by the eleventh of March. Unfortunately, the Black Hornets were disqualified last week from competition for using an ineligible player in one of their games. This means that all teams that played the Black Hornets, whether



The New North Bears' Macon Nixon jumps above the outstretched arms of Roy Boyles of the Center A quint, to score two points in the Bears' win over Center. Other players identifiable are No. 10, "Goot" Nelson, New North, Dale Myers, jumping behind Boyles, and Buddy Farrell, partly hidden by Boyles. Myers and Farrell are members of the Center team. (Photo by A. T. Barbee)

they win or lose, will have to scratch off that game from their record.

Here are the standings as of February 21st.

New North	5-0
Day Hops	4-1
Yankee Stadium	3-1
Center A	3-2
Old North South	3-2
Archdale	1-3
New North B	2-3
Yankee Stadium B.	1-3

Basketball will continue until right before we go home for the Spring holidays. Badminton is scheduled to start in little over a week.

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