

The Guilfordian

SPORTS

Quakers Host Arch-Rival Elon

By BOB MILAN

The Guilford College Quakers will be seeking their second consecutive victory of the young 1968 season as they entertain the "Fighting Christians" of Elon College Saturday night at the Grimsley High School Stadium.

Paced by a rugged defense and an alert offense, the Quakers, under direction of new head coach Bob Lord, rolled

over non-conference foe Washington and Lee 28-0 this past Saturday.

Elon College also opened their season in fine form as quarterback Burgin Beale triggered an explosive offense that netted 539 yards in defeating Concord 66-12.

The Quakers will be trying to avenge a 28-21 defeat at the hands of Elon in a hard fought game at Burlington last year. The big problem in the Quaker camp this year is expected to be inexperience and lack of depth. Missing from this year's squad via graduation are such outstanding players as All-America flanker Henry McKay, Bill Burchette, Dean Johnson, and Allen Brown.

However, nineteen returning lettermen and some promising freshmen will form the nucleus of the team that will be trying to better the 6-4 record posted by the Quakers last year. The Quakers' backfield is paced by quarterbacks Mike Bocuzzi and Ray Tavalaro, halfbacks Danny Wheeling, Harold Allen, and Tommy Peguese, and fullback Larry Funkhouser.

The offensive line is anchored by ends Mike Hunt and Bobby Spain, tackles Paul Barczy and Doc Twiford, guards Dennis

Carroll and Gil Lindsey and center Dick Arculin.

Expected to see a lot of action on defense are Buddy Smith, Willie Inman, Gil Lindsey, Jerry Borzello, Pat Withers, Ed Allen, Bobby Miller, Colon Carter, John Griffin and John Dent.

Elon coach Red Wilson is optimistic about the coming season. With 25 returning lettermen and several transfers, Coach Wilson hopes the "Fighting Christians" can improve on their 5-3-1 record of last year.

The Elon backfield will be led by quarterback Burgin Beale, fullback Emery Moore, wingback Don Crews, and tailback John Doss.

Beale will be passing to ends Richard McGeorge, who was second to Guilford's Henry McKay in pass receiving last year with 53 catches, and Jim Waller.

Standouts in the line are co-captains Wes Gilliam and Lloyd Kanipe, center Frank Mensch, and tackles Bill Gill, John Romano and Ralph Moore.

The question at the moment appears to be whether Guilford's tough defense can stop the powerful offense of Elon. The answer to that question will not be known until Saturday night, but one thing is certain—both teams will be giving 100% to bring home their second win in a row of the 1968 season.

View From The Crowd

By TED MALICK

While the major emphasis of the sports world is on football this fall season, another sport is underway here at Guilford College. Soccer coach Mel Keiser welcomed 34 candidates last week as he opened drills for the 1968 season. Prospects for an improved season are bright as several returning lettermen are mixed with three former stars who return after being out of school.

Returning lettermen include goalie Norman Tuttle, fullbacks Joe Spruill, Tim Wheeler, and Chip Crooks, halfbacks Mike Cox and George Nauman, and forward Randy Evans. Forwards Eduardo Massu and John Trimpi and center halfback Kirk Russell are veterans returning after an absence of a year or more. These three are expected to add a much-needed scoring punch to the Quaker attack.

Coach Keiser is working a great deal on conditioning in order to avoid the injuries which so often hampered his squad last season. The Quakers open their season October 1 at Belmont-Abbey.

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On the football scene: Guilford's debut under Coach Bob Lord was a great success as quarterbacks Ray Tavalaro and Mike Bocuzzi led the offense and freshmen Ed Allen and Tommy Peguese, soph Colon Carter, and junior Willie Inman paced the defense which overall led to a decisive 28-0 triumph over Washington and Lee University. This week a big task faces the Quakers as the offensive-minded Elon Fighting Christians come to town. Elon rolled up a 66-12 rout of Concord, gaining 539 total yards... Lenoir-Rhyne's offense sputtered but their defense was as strong as ever as they edged Wofford by 14-6... Appalachian, now an independent, set five school records in crushing Newberry 55-14... Presbyterian extended Southern Conference member Furman before losing 13-9... Western Carolina, the Quakers' opponent next week, lost to Carson-Newman 24-7 in their opener...

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Pick the winners: Last week was a good start as a record of 14 right, 3 wrong and 2 ties were compiled. Now who would have thought Duke and William and Mary would have defeated South Carolina and East Carolina, respectively? I really missed the A&T game—they don't play until this week. Anyway, week number two gets tougher, so here goes:

1. Elon at Guilford—Elon scored at will last week but will face a tough Quaker defense which blanked W & L. A fierce rivalry, it can go either way—Guilford on a Mike Stewart kick, 14-13.
2. Newberry at Catawba—a long season for the Newberry Indians, it may be a fifty-point night for Catawba—by five or more TD's.
3. Presbyterian at Lenoir-Rhyne—PC is tough defensively but seems to have trouble scoring; L-R squeaked by Wofford 14-6 in an opener and should win by the same score in this one.
4. Appalachian at Western Carolina—it's tough for visitors to win in Cullowhee but the Apps are loaded with scholarships and should win by ten points.
5. South Carolina State at A & T—Who knows? S.C. State to win by a field goal.
6. North Carolina State at Oklahoma—The Sooners got bombed 45-21 by Notre Dame. State rolled 38-6 over Carolina. State is not that good, Oklahoma is not that bad. State to lose by a TD.
7. Purdue at Notre Dame—the big one of the season probably. A toss-up, but the Irish are practically unbeatable at home—ND by a field goal.

Also: South Carolina over North Carolina, Navy over Boston College, Army over Vanderbilt, Michigan over Duke, Louisiana Tech over East Carolina, Furman over Wofford, Georgia over Clemson, Miami of Florida over Georgia Tech, Syracuse over Maryland, Virginia Tech over William & Mary, Southern Cal over Northwestern, Penn State over Kansas State, and Ohio State over SMU.



Athlete of Week

MIKE BOCCUZZI



By CAROL ADAMS

Sunday night, the Guilfordian sports staff met and selected Mike Bocuzzi as Guilford College's first athlete of the week.

Mike has been playing organized football for eight years and has been an understudy quarterback since he's been at Guilford. He came into the W&L game during the second quarter when Ray Tavalaro was injured, and on his second play of the game, he ran for the Quakers second TD. Just two minutes and sixteen seconds later Mike found Johnny Roscoe in the end zone, and with a perfect throw and a great catch, the third TD was scored. In the third quarter, Mike hit Bobby Spain with a 45 yard pass, and with Mike Stewart's extra point the score was 28-0, Guilford.

Statistically, Mike completed four passes for 119 yards, ran for one touchdown and passed for two, and he played less than half the game.

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- 15—Wesleyan HOME
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