

Sports Commentary

By STEVE BECK

Guilford College is to host the 1974 Poultry Bowl in Greensboro on December 7. William Penn College of Iowa will be the Quaker's opponent in the post season contest to be held at Greensboro High School Stadium. Not even Longshot Louie would have placed bets on Guilford playing in a bowl game this season, or any in the distant future. But this only begins an interesting story.

During the summer practices, most thought the Quakers would suffer through another dismal season, showing improvement, but still dismal.

But perhaps this story goes back farther, back to mid-summer when Henry Vansant, then coach, resigned to take a position at Fayetteville 71st High School. Dennis Haglan was almost instantly elevated to head coach.

The day Haglan was named head coach he was a nervous man. After all, having your whole life change does tend to have some shock connected to it.

Passing by the gym during those long summer nights I would see the lights on in Haglan's office, usually seven nights a week.

The turnaround didn't happen over night. I once remarked this summer after watching the Quakers begin their preseason drills that they were the greatest comedy act in town. They proved me wrong one cloudy Saturday in West Virginia. Guilford had just whipped Concord 20-0.

What struck me most about the win wasn't the score but the poise they displayed in winning the game. It wasn't an easy game, Guilford had to come with the big plays and did.

Then came Hampton Sydney and Emory and Henry, suddenly the Quakers were 3-0. Elon popped the bubble with a 28-0 win but Guilford was still playing respectable football considering the opponent.

Fate played its part in the following three games. Field goals, fumbles, penalties, and just plain luck decided a win over Gardner-Webb a tie with Catawba and a loss to Mars Hill.

Guilford then started to roll after this. Randolph Macon fell 42-7 while Davidson was erased with a 33-14 homecoming win. Wofford is current history.

With Poultry Bowl scout at two games, Guilford was probably the only team ever to lose every game they were scouted and still be picked. Poultry Bowl scout Ed Smallwood said he liked how Guilford never quit. Late scores or scoring attempts were present during seven of the ten games.

Haglan likes to talk in terms of team unity and play. Perhaps this was the key to the 6-3-1 record. It may not sound all that great. Well it is. Change four plays and the Quakers are 9-1.

Whatever the formula is; the unity, the never-say-attitude-it works. It made the season, "Finger lickin' good."



Quaker Lineman Steve Muslin

Poultry Bowl Bid: Six Named To All-District Team

Quakers Receive Post Season Honors

by Steve Beck
Guilfordian Sports Editor

The goal of any college football team is to play in a bowl game. Guilford College, perhaps one of the major doormats over the last several years finally realized this dream Wednesday when they

were picked to play in the second annual Poultry Bowl.

William Penn College, another Quaker school will by Guilford's opponent on December 7 in Greensboro High School Stadium.

Poultry Bowl scouts watched the Quakers play Mars Hill and Wofford and were impressed with the comeback ability of the team, despite losses.

The selection was seemingly surprising in that Guilford was picked after losing the Wofford game 36-30. The Terriers were in contention for the bowl also but instead chose to play South Carolina State in the Textile Bowl.

Other teams in contention were Elon, probably to be named to compete in the NAIA's Playoff Bowl and Lenoir Rhyne, beaten last week by the Christians 28-14. Catawba was in the running earlier but fell apart during the latter stages of the season.

Lost in the excitement were the selection of six Guilford players to the All-District #26 team. Offensive tackle Steve Muslin was one of only two players to be selected unambiguously. Quarterback Steve Watson, receiver Chris Paphities, punter Tony Swainey, linebacker Al Patterson, and middle guard Bunky James rounded out the selections for Guilford.

Not surprisingly, Quaker coach Dennis Haglan was named Coach of the Year in the District. Haglan lead Guilford to a 6-3-1 record.

Last Saturday night marked the second time this season that second half comeback attempt by Guilford came up, short. Falling behind 28-6 in the first half, the Quakers fought all the way to the end, scoring on the last play of the game. An 87 yard touchdown by Reggie Kenan on a kickoff was called back due to a clipping penalty, a play which could have eventually won the game for Guilford.

Women's Basketball

by Pat Townsend

Guilford's Women's Varsity Basketball has been working hard for the past few weeks, getting in shape for their upcoming season! Janet Boyles and Elizabeth Parker share the Co-captainship of the team this year, and are joined by 13 other players. There will be a travelling squad of 10.

Elizabeth Parker has carried the weight of the scoring in the past couple years. This season, however, Coach Gayle Currie sees a good amount of potential in the young and inexperienced team. Of special value to the team will be two freshmen, Cyd Atkins and Gail Brown. They are 5'7" and 5'11" respectively. Another

player to watch will be Doris Adams, as her quickness, on blocking and intercepting should prove a great asset to the team! Charlotte Hines and Janet Boyles, playing in the guard positions, should be showing some sure ball-handling in the games to come.

Coach Currie expects that next year's team will improve over last year's total of 8-6, despite the injuries that have plagued some of the players. Although there still remain a few rusty spots in team work, the Quakers should be ready for their first game to be played on Monday night. They will be competing against Pfeiffer's Women's team prior to the men's game. Come out and support both your basketball teams!

GUILFORD COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACH CURRIE

- Doris Adams soph G
- Cyd Atkins fresh C-F
- Janet Boyles Sr. G
- Gail Brown fresh C-F
- Beth Donaldson Sr. G
- Ginger Garner Sr. G-F
- Velina Hammond Jr. G-F
- Karen Hartsoe Soph G-F
- Charlotte Hines soph G
- Ellen Johnson fresh G
- Annette King Jr. C-F
- Dorothy Love soph G
- Linda Myers Sr. C-F
- Elizabeth Parker Jr. F-G
- Teresa Smith fresh G

G - denotes guard
C - denotes center
F - denotes forward

MANAGER: Alina Lebrato
fresh

GUILFORD COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 1974-75

Date	Opponent	Time	Place
Mon., Dec. 2	Pfeiffer College	6:00	Home
Wed., Dec. 4	Catawba College	5:30	Catawba
Sat., Jan. 18	Lenoir Rhyne	6:00	Lenoir Rhyne
Mon., Jan. 20	High Point	6:00	Home
Tues., Jan. 21	Methodist	5:30	Fayetteville
Thur., Jan. 23	Greensboro College	7:00	Greensboro
or Sat., Jan. 25	Lenoir Rhyne	6:00	Home
Mon., Jan. 27	Pfeiffer	6:00	Misenheimer
Wed., Jan. 29	High Point	6:00	High Point
Tues., Feb. 4	Davidson	6:00	Davidson
Thurs., Feb. 6	Salem	7:30	Home
Fri., Feb. 7	Averett	7:30	Stratford College*
Mon., Feb. 10	Greensboro College	6:00	Home
Wed., Feb. 12	Methodist College	7:30	Home
Fri., Feb. 14	Salem College	7:30	Salem
Tues., Feb. 18	Catawba College	7:30	Home

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*This is right - Stratford!