



BULLDOG BARKS

Maxie Morton Loses Ten Year's Growth

It happened during a pre-season scrimmage with the Alumnix. Coach De Lotto, feeling the old urge to again carry the pickup team apart—professional style. But on one occasion, with the line of the goal line almost in his cleats, the coach stepped with a tackle that would merit the attention of earthquake McGoon himself.

After a few seconds De Lotto slowly came to his feet, but alas, without his front upper teeth. Fearing his blunder in the line had caused the accident, big Maxie Morton headed for the showers on the double-quick, but returned when told the situation was well in hand—David's, our manager's, hand—for clutched safely in his fingers were the teeth of the mentor.

That's David's main duty now—holding Coach's teeth while he shows them how it's done. F. S. They're false.

Hootchie Morgan Shifted to Backfield

Hootchie Morgan's greatest ambition has finally been realized. He has been shifted from his end position of last year into the variety backfield. His speed and ruggedness have helped to make him a valuable player at the plugging back position, and we are expecting great things from him during the remaining season.

Alumni on College Teams

All reports show that some of our last year's gridiron heroes are doing themselves honor on the various college teams. From Delaware comes the news that Jack Castovers, all-conference guard on the Bullog eleven last year, has been switched to the end position and will see plenty of action this season.

And as we glance down the Davidson roster, we find that Franklin Niven, local boy, has been booked for a starting position at end. It's Frank's senior year at Davidson and he is sure to win honors for the Wildcats this fall.

Buck Mabry has entered Lenoir Rhyne, and Pat Shores, his present coach, predicts his becoming one of the best running backs in the State.

At Appalachian two ex-grid stars from Albemarle, Bill Furr and Ernest Saffrit, are battling it out for the safety position under the leadership of Clyde Campie, who coached our Bulldog team within reach of the championship last year. It's our belief that a trio such as this certainly will gain recognition in the football circles this season.

Go to it, Alumnix. We're proud of you.

Team Falls For One Girl

It's a sad, sad situation. It seems that every member of the football team has at last fallen in love, and with the same girl, too. The victim? It's the coach's little daughter, Pank.

Pank made her first appearance before the team at an early season practice session where she proudly informed all the players plus a handful of onlookers that Coach De Lotto was her "pop".

At the age of three, Pank is slated to become the team's youngest and most admired mascot. A great lover of football, she never allows a game to pass without contributing her share of the cheering from her father's side on the bench.

Beside adding a world of color to the games this fall, Pank will serve as an inspiration to the team as they undertake the toughest schedule in the history of the school.

Bulldogs Lose Their First Game

Although everyone seems to have his own belief as to what happened to the Bulldogs during the opening minutes of their game with Salisbury, it is doubtful whether or not the truth of the matter will ever be known.

The two teams took the field and before nine minutes of play had elapsed, Albemarle had given up the 18 precious points that mean the game. Salisbury used no new formations. The Bulldogs had been thoroughly drilled against the jacket offense, and yet, on simple cut-back power plays and a short fast pass into the end zone they grabbed the lead that the Bulldogs failed to overcome.

Then the locals began to click and at no other time throughout the game did they allow Salisbury to get going. On several occasions the Bulldogs threatened to cross the goal. What happened to turn a confused, but Bulldog eleven of the first quarter into a machine that was able to rack up more first downs than their opponents? Have you the answer?

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Legion Juniors Attending A. H. S.

The Little World Series is over and Albemarle won the championship. People are beginning to settle into their normal lives again, but we, as students, can't get over the fact that right here in our school, in our very classrooms sit some of the players who represent the best in approximately 26,000 teams who started this year's eliminations.

Samuel Andrew, who is a state champion at the piano as well as a national champion of three base-ball, again he counted on to help with the musical program of the school.

Johnny Little's specialty is catching the horseshoe at any angle at first base, but don't let anyone tell you that he can't receive the pickup just as well. John's aggressiveness on defense plus his ability to snap position in just anywhere there on to help have won for him a starting berth on the variety eleven.

Tommy Babe and Bill Long, utility men of the champs, have also turned gradsters. Babe has been made substitute pitcher while Long is threatening to break into the starting lineup at guard. Neither of these boys is anxious to be should really go places before they graduate.

As a result of the part they played in winning the Little World Series, Tommy Swanner, James McCarnes, and Sherill Cranford are receiving due credit in admiration from the student body. We all consider it a privilege to be in school along with the boys who did "what couldn't be done."

1940 Midget Team Starts Practicing

Over half a hundred boys, including several members of last year's squad, answered Coach Ed Gehring's call for midget football practice on September 5.

Following a week of heavy exercises, the Bullpups have donned their heavy equipment and are strapping off positions on the starting eleven.

Some of the players who are expected to be standouts on the '37 team are Bob Furr, who will do most of the passing and punting; Frudy Brooks, an experienced tackle; and Max Thompson, a new comer who will play of action this fall.

The midget schedule has not yet been released, but according to Coach Gehring, it will be mainly of the competition playing last year, with the probable addition of two or three teams.

Anything But That!

"Let's grow some," said Dr. Shaver to Tommy Swanner as they were discussing height for baseball. "If you will grow two more inches before next season, I will give you a free education," continued Dr. Shaver.

Tommy's girl, Lois Underwood, offered a suggestion: "Why not put fertilizer in your shoes?" "Because I'm afraid I will get big feet like Sherill Cranford," Tommy replied.

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Coaches and Mascots



Pictured above are the Bulldog's mascot, Lynn De Lotto; Coach De Lotto; and assistant coach, Tom Loftin.

Questions of the Month

1. How many men are there on a football team?
2. Who is the Bulldog's mascot this year?
3. What was the conference standing of our team last year?
4. Whom are we playing this afternoon?
5. How many new teachers are there in A. H. S.?
6. Who is punting that extra point for us this year?
7. How much does a touch-down count?
8. How many A. H. S. boys were members of the Stanly County Juniors?
9. How many football games are to be here this year?
10. How many freshmen are there this year?

Boosters Are Active

The boosters are pepping up things around the school for the coming football games. Monday a pep meeting was held in chapel to kick up everyone.

This week the cheerleaders, Edward Leiler, Josephine Heaver, and Polly Martin, have been going around to the different home rooms teaching to under-classmen the yell.

It is expected that a large crowd will attend all the games this year and join in the yells.

Assistant cheerleaders are Grace Cranford, Barbara Crowell, and Tommie Miller, who will substitute when the regular cheerleaders are out.

M. J. De Lotto Athletic Director

Albemarle High's new director, M. J. (Ma) De Lotto, comes from the coaching staff of the Westport Hampton High School in Hammond, Va.

Well-equipped for his job, De Lotto has played professional baseball for nine years in B. A. and Norfolk and was captain of a team for three years, this year's most valuable player and served as captain this season. In 1937 he had a team.

In his five years as a coach he has lost only one job having won 31 games and 10 titles.

Commenting about his job this year, he said, "We want the best little squads that we can get anywhere, and with a little practice we should really get some victories."

"I would also like to see all the places in which I could like Albemarle in the future."

A graduate of Randolph College, Mr. De Lotto is now working his Master's degree in education at the University of North Carolina.

He is married and has two year-old daughters, one of whom is on the school's basketball team's mascot. They live on Hearne Street.

Gym Required Of Under-Class Men

Several major changes have been made in the schedule under activities this year.

Physical Education is required of the boys and girls of the school and sophomore division. The boys are to take for four of their classes. Miss Holt and Miss Lott are in charge of the education. Miss Holt and Miss Lott are in charge of the Chapel program on Friday. This year as well will have charge of the room on Mondays and Fridays. The schedule has been planned in the room.

During lunch hour the teachers are on duty in the school building. One will be in the gymnasium in the school grounds. The students will assist with activities again this year.

TWO LOSES CALL SOUND CLUB

Games are called off placed on the football field. Fans may hear the game by members of the Sound Club.

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