

# SPORT . . . SPINS

with

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That oft-neglected part of the football team, the forward wall, gets priority in the order of business today, for the Tar Heel lads, whose job it is to open up holes on offense and stop enemy backs on defense, deserve orchids a plenty for their fine performance against Tech's potent eleven under the hot sun here in Kenan stadium last Saturday.

Tech's offense on the ground, supposedly of fairly high calibre, was utterly useless against the Carolina stalwart linemen, being held by the Tar Heels to a scant 57 yards net from the line of scrimmage. At the same time, the Big Blue tackles and guards opened paths for 100 Carolina yards rushing and gave good support to the passers, who connected for 76 yards in the air.

"The defense in the Tech game, except for several definite mistakes, was very good," the UNC Silver Fox of the gridiron commented to your reporter yesterday, "especially on the part of the guards, tackles and backer uppers. The work of the fullbacks, Bill Voris and Joe Gurtis, was also commendable."

In the starting roles in the Carolina line were Ted Hazelwood, big Marine, and Frank Curran, youthful civilian, at the tackle positions, and this pair of hard charging lads was one of the main reasons the Tech backs got practically nowhere a-ground. But that was not the whole story, for two of the Tar Heel vets from last year, NROTC's Ed Twohey and Ed Golding, just about as good a pair of guards as can be found in these parts, stopped the Engineers cold in their tracks time and again. Curran's block of Tech's second try for the extra point might well have been the margin of victory for the Tar Heels.

Burl Bevers and Al Bernot carried the duties at center together, and the work in backing up the line was nothing to be laughed at.

However, these boys did not do it all, for none are capable of playing 60 minutes, and such lads as Stan Marczyk, Leon Szafaryn, Bill Wardle, Sid Varney, Red Collins and M. D. Sims carried on in fine order the job of giving ground sparingly to the Georgia backs.

Too, not to be left out of the pic-

ture in the line are the ends, who proved to be such an asset when the Carolina passing machine began to click and produce some valuable yardage and points. Max Cooke's two long catches down the center, Mike Rubish's great snag, and the work of Chuck Ellison, Bob Cox, and Bill Pritchard was very deserving of praise.

It was a good job linemen. You gave a good account of yourselves, and we are all thankful for your hard playing in the role of underdog. You and the backfield alike made the expected beginners' mistakes, true, but as a whole the job was one well done!

We were glad to see our old friend Clyde King back around the campus last week after finishing the season with the Brooklyn Dodgers. King, who attends Carolina during the off season, was one of Brooklyn's top relief hurlers during 1945, having appeared in 45 games. . . . It was also a great pleasure to note that George "Snuffy" Stirnweiss, recently of Carolina baseball and football fame, won the American League batting championship.

Winter sports are slated to get off with a good start soon, with basketball general drills set to begin October 15, and the wrestling fall practice ready to get underway at an early date. The swimmers are already working out daily, and the boxers will be called as soon as a coach is obtained for the Blue Thunder lads. . . . Football in big time calibre is back in Tar Heel again this weekend, with Navy taking on Duke in Durham this afternoon. It may sound a little radical, but from here we see a good chance that the Blue Devils may send the Middies back to Annapolis defeated, though not by more than a point or at the most one touchdown. . . .

## "Snuffy" Stirnweiss Captures American League Swat Crown

Former Carolina Athlete Leads Loop In Hits, Runs, Triples For Yankees

Shunned by baseball scouts in his college days because he was classified as "good field—no hit," George "Snuffy" Stirnweiss, ex-university student, has capped the American League's batting crown this year with an average of .309. Carolina's hitless wonder also managed to lead the league in stolen bases for the second consecutive year, headed the triples department, scored more runs, and also collected the most hits.

Surprisingly enough, it was Stirnweiss' football exploits that brought him renown in his student days. Old Carolina followers still tell of the fall afternoon when he and Lalanne aided and abetted in downing a strong Pennsylvania team.

Signed on Hunch

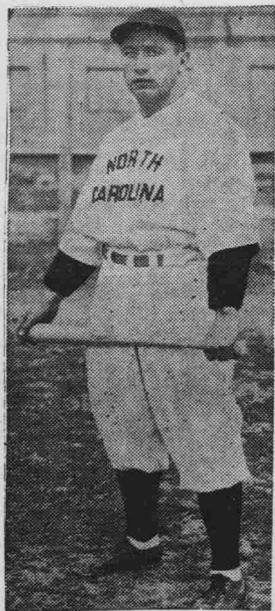
A New York Yankee scout signed Stirney on a hunch and our chunky-figured alumnus was sent to the Newark Bears of the International League for seasoning. When the war called Joe Gordon, Stirney was summoned to fill his shoes although most experts thought that he never would.

In his freshman season, tobacco-chewing Stirney batted over three hundred and also managed to lead the league in stolen bases. He also played a lot of second base, covering more ground than his bowed legs predicted.

On the last day of the season, Stirney collected enough hits to place him above Tony Cucinello who had been leading the batting department for most of the season. His fielding, if not great, will at least allow Yankee fans to miss Joe Gordon less.

"Stirnweiss Day"

In anticipation of this feat, Yankee fans honored Stirney by holding "George Stirnweiss Day" at the stadium and presented him with an automobile (when they come out) besides many other tokens of their appreciation. Perhaps the finest tribute played



to this athlete were the words of Manager Joe McCarthy who said that Stirnweiss was "without a doubt, the best player in baseball today."

This was Snuffy's second year with the Yankees and last season he made a splendid record as a rookie. He almost rated the league's most valuable that year and certainly deserved that honor this season, which was given to Eddie Mayo of Detroit.

Stirnweiss is expected to visit the campus soon and he will be a shining example of a Carolina athlete who made good.

# Tar Heels Travel To Roanoke To Tackle McEver-Brothers Coached VPI Gridmen

## Cross Country Trackmen Face Navy Outfit Today

Ransomen Score Win Over Blue Devils; Rated As Heavy Underdogs With Sailors

After routing the Duke Blue Devils by the count of 20-48, Coach Dale Ranson's cross country team invades the Naval Academy today to seek revenge from last year's slaughter.

The Duke meet was the first engagement for the Tar Heels and Coach Ranson was well pleased with the showing his trackmen made in last Wednesday's dual event.

Big Test

Today will be the test for the Carolina cindermen as they tackle the top cross country team in the East. Navy blanked the local runners last year, but Coach Ranson and Co. are a sure bet to push the Middies to a better meet today. The sailors copped the IC4A event last year and are well stocked with veterans of that championship squad.

Coach Ranson will carry 12 of his top runners to race against the Navy Academy. Included in this number will be a few vets back from last sea-



COACH DALE RANSON

son which are expected to boost Carolina's hopes this afternoon. The squad entrained for Annapolis yesterday afternoon.

Easy Victory

The Carolina trackmen loafed to an easy and well-earned victory over their rival runners from Duke.

Davis of Duke finished first in the 3 and one-eighth course to nose out Carolina's Doug Erath and Bob Dodson who came in second and third respectively. Following behind them in order were the following: Powell, Holden, Lamb, Allen, Hester, all of Carolina, Long, Duke, Hatch, Carolina, Johnson (D), Strait (C), Fraise, Carr, Powers, Shutz, of Duke, Harris, (C), Hobkirk (C), Moore (D), Brown (D), Bolch (C), Rosenberg (D), Eagle (C), Crain (C), and Chorce (D).

## Wrestling Drills May Start Early

Coach Chuck Quinlan, wrestling instructor of the University, has asked that all men who were on the squad last winter get in touch with him the first of next week in view of an early starting of fall practices.

The veteran grappling mentor also said that all who are interested in coming out for the mat sport should see him at their earliest possible convenience next week. It is hoped that drills will be able to start by the middle of next week or the first of the next at the latest. Six meets, with Virginia, Georgia Tech and Duke are already scheduled.

## Sports Staff Meets On Wednesday At 4

There will be another important meeting of the sports staff on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Tar Heel office at Graham Memorial.

All those interested in writing sports are urged to be present at this meeting. Feature writers and reporters are badly needed.

Remember: APIHT spelled backwards is THIPA.

## Jayvee Outfit Starts Drills As Doak Helps

The Jayvee football squad will start prepping for their schedule on Monday afternoon and will be a separate unit from the regular varsity outfit.

"Peanut" Doak, physical education major and former star griddier at N. C. State, is working with the junior varsity and urges all boys who are interested in playing football to report on Monday from 4 to 6 regardless of previous experience in the gridiron sport.

Two Games Scheduled

Doak, who roamed the outfield for the Greensboro Patriots, recently was added to Coach Carl Snavely's coaching staff and has been assigned to work with the "B" team which already has two definite contests scheduled and others are being arranged.

The present junior varsity is made up of 15 gridmen who have been working as part of the varsity crew.

No Team Last Year

This will be the first Jayvee squad since the 1943 season when Carolina was loaded with football material. Last season found the Tar Heels not quite so fortunate and a junior team was not formed. This season finds the Tar Heels on the road to recovery. The Jayvee team gives the player a chance to gain valuable experience before stepping up to the varsity ranks.

Coach Bob Fetzer, director of athletics, has announced that the junior varsity will meet the Kinston Marine Air Base on a home-home basis. On October 19 the Tar Babies will play host to the Marines and journey eastward on November 16 to face the same crew. Other contests are being planned, but nothing has been officially announced as yet.

Those who are looking good and are slated to play a lot of ball for the Jayvee team are Ramsey and Hayworth, ends; Goodwin, Windell, and Chalmers, guards; Schram and MacIntyre, tackles; Munday, center; Haines, Lineweaver, Eggerton, Stowers, backs.

## World Series Predictions

With the world series already in full swing, a sports reporter wandered around and found several different views on the outcome of the series between the Detroit Tigers and the Chicago Cubs.

When approached by our ace reporter the following remarks and predictions were voiced: Clyde King, chunker for the Brooklyn Dodgers, was on campus this past week and picked the Cubs to overcome the Tigers. Maybe it's because he pitched against Chicago this season.

"Peanut" Doak, outfielder for Greensboro this past season, predicted that Detroit would win because of the pitching staff.

Harvey White remarked, "Detroit, of course. Damn right."

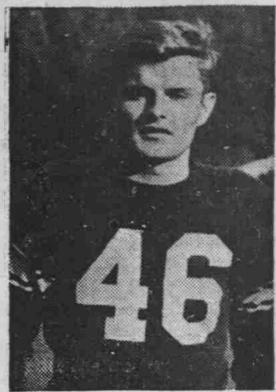
Carroll Poplin, co-sports editor, takes Detroit in six games.

Jimmy Wallace followed in line and chose the Tigers.

Howard Merry is willing to take a few bets on the Cubs, while Editor Bob Morrison picks Detroit by guess.

## Valkyries Meet

The Valkyries held a dinner meeting in honor of Mrs. Janet Hoover at the Carolina Inn at 6:30. Mrs. Stacy, dean of women, was guest at the meeting. Mrs. Hoover is leaving soon for San Diego to join her husband.



Tom Colfer, surprise hero of North Carolina's surprising 14 to 20 stand against the Southeastern favorites of Georgia Tech last week, is slated to open at tailback against Virginia Tech in Roanoke at 3 p. m. Saturday. If the lanky, loping, thread-needle passer comes through again, it will be an ironical trick on the Gobbler coaches, Mac and Gene McEver, who piloted the Tar Heels last year, and who "discovered" Colfer pitching in an intramural tag football game.

## Softball Tourney Closes Wednesday

The intramural softball tournament will draw to a close next Wednesday afternoon with the top two teams in each loop fighting it out for the second-half championship. The winner will face Smith, the first-half champs, for the campus crown.

A full schedule of games is slated until Wednesday of next week with the play-offs opening on Thursday, October 11, at 4:30.

Only two teams, Phi Kappa Sigma and the Ringers, remain in the unbeaten class.

Ping-pong and the horseshoe tournaments have been postponed a week in order to complete the softball program.

## Intramural Schedule

- Monday, Oct. 8—4:30
  - Alexander 1 — Ringers vs. Delta Sigma Pi.
  - Alexander 2 — Phi Gams vs. Med School No. 2.
  - Intramural 1 — Smith vs. Kappa Alpha.
  - Intramural 2 — Two Brews vs. Steele.
  - Intramural 3—Old East vs. 3rd Co.
- Tuesday, Oct. 9—4:30
  - Alexander 1—Phi Kappa Sigma vs. Steele.
  - Alexander 2—Two Brews vs. Med School No. 1.
  - Intramural 1—Med School No. 2 vs. Delta Sigma Pi.
  - Intramural 2—Leathernecks vs. 3rd Co.
- Wednesday, Oct. 10—4:30
  - Alexander 1—Old East vs. Pi Kappa Alpha.
  - Alexander 2—Steele vs. Med School No. 1.

## Serious Cage Work Begins On Oct. 15

With light drills already being held several times a week for many of the returning lettermen, the official basketball call will be sounded Monday, October 15, as the time for the men of the hardwood to begin serious work fast approaches.

The Tar Heels are expected to have a tough slate this season, and practice sessions will be held from 4:30 to 6 o'clock each evening from the beginning, according to Coach Ben Carnevale. Quite a few monogram men are anticipated when the call is issued a week from Monday, and those will more than likely include Don Anderson, Bob Paxton, Johnny Dillon, Hank Spurlock and Bill Voris.

Several other new candidates, including some top-notch high school performers of this section will be on hand, according to reports, but no names are available at this time. The cage managers have not been chosen as yet, but they are expected to be announced soon.

## Carolina Lads Will Be After Second Victory

Don Clayton Will Miss Game Today

By Irwin Smallwood

The third starting whistle of the season blows for King Carl Snavely's Tar Heels this afternoon, getting underway the Carolina surprise eleven against McEver-brother coached Virginia Polytechnic crew in Roanoke. Kickoff is slated for 2:30 o'clock.

Carolina's lads, who came within six points of upsetting the highly-touted Georgia Tech aggregation last week, will be seeking their second win of the infant 1945 season, having won the opener from Camp Lee, 6-0, three weeks ago. It will also be another No. three, the third time this year that the UNC grid performers have faced an untried and unscouted team.

Former Carolina Pilots

MacCauley and Gene McEver, who piloted the Tar Heels last year, have a crew built from a squad of some 50 men, 44 of whom are freshmen, and they are using a version of the now famous "T" formation in producing the VPI eleven. "We don't know what VPI has," Coach Snavely said yesterday, "and we will just be playing our best to get another win."

For Carolina and VPI alike it will be the Southern conference opener, and although the Big Blue lads from UNC won respect among the best of them last week, the game today will again be a toss up, because of the lack of knowledge of the new Virginia club.

Clayton Is Injured

When the locals go into battle today they will be without the services of Don Clayton, who started the Georgia Tech encounter, the lanky veteran tailback having suffered a laceration of the lip Saturday. Too, Bill Flamish, another tailback, will definitely be out on the injured list, and several other minor ailments are threatening to slow the Tar Heels down a little.

But to offset these losses, Tom Colfer has found his pitching eye and will be in there in the first string tailback post, with Mike Rubish, GI who played in the 1945 Service Bowl in Hawaii, in at end. Rubish, although ailing slightly last week, made a couple of sensational catches, and he should prove a great asset to the Carolina cause today. Two other war veterans, Ed McGee, a paratrooper, and Fred Harris, 200-pound tailback just home from England, are on the roster and are improving daily.

Camp Returns

Also on the list of returning men are Jim Camp, ex-marine who was starting wingback last year, and Dan Stiegman, husky center who was at the Fre-Flight school here just prior to being discharged recently. Stiegman is working in well at the pivot post, and he has been reported doing very good work in backing up the line. Camp has a hard job ahead in learning the Snavely system and plays, but the wingback is expected to add considerably to the backfield power of the Tar Heels before the season is over.

Heading the lineup today will be Colfer, tailback who moved up from third string at the Georgia Tech game to first this week, along with Co-captains Bill Voris and Bill Walker and Bob Oliphant in the backfield. Don Hartig has been pushing Walker for the starting berth and is slated to have an active part in the tussle this afternoon.

The line, which held Tech to a bare 57 yards from scrimmage last Saturday, will have Chuck Ellison or Bill Pritchard and Mike Rubish at ends; Frank Curran and Ted Hazelwood at tackles; Ed Golding and Ed Twohey at guards; and either Burl Bevers or Dan Stiegman at center.

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