

# Phantoms Seek Second Win In Battle With Pickett Tonight

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As cold winds indicating that winter is at hand whipped around Chapel Hill last week, basketball took the first step in pushing football right out of the picture, but the old grid sport didn't fade into the background without leaving the fans still talking the game here in Tar Heelia—talking of rumors that Doc Blanchard would return to Carolina to play.

However, it was plain with a little thought on the subject that the talk was nothing but rumor, much to the dismay of all who like to see Carolina football surge ahead. "We don't know a thing about it," Coach Max Reed said yesterday, and this one sentence summed up all that any of the Carolina officials had to say.

Needless to say it would be an unestimable boon to Coach Carl Snavelly and his staff to have such a back to work with, but from here it seems very unlikely that Blanchard would have any reason to leave his post at West Point. Too, the powerhouse All-American could practically write his own check with any of the pro teams. . . . It's a good rumor, but not one that is likely to materialize.

As football gear was hung up last week, the coaching staff began its off-season work, that of planning for the year ahead, developing plays (new formations), etc. Making speeches has been occupying most of the time of Head Mentor Snavelly. . . . Before leaving the football picture, a word to George Stirnweiss: The American League batting champion who starred here in both football and baseball, is now serving in the capacity of assistant in baseball and football, and we speak for the entire student body in welcoming "Snuffy" back to his old haunts. Stirnweiss, sparkplug of the New York Yankee infield, will also serve in contact work, taking care of his duties during the off-time from baseball.

Coach Ben Carnevale and his defending Southern Conference title-holders made their debut Wednesday night, and although it was a slow first half, the Phantom basketballers came to life in the final minutes to win going away, 55-40. Carnevale, assisted as last year by Pete Mullis, is using four of his starters in last season's loop tourney regularly, and this foursome accounted for 51 of the 55 markers against Camp Lee. All-American Jim Jordan got 15, so did Johnny Dillon, and Don Anderson added 12. Bob Paxton, who was busy enough taking care of things under the basket, rang up nine. . . . In the last part of that second half, the local cagers looked like the quint that took all honors in SC tournament play in 1945. . . . It was bad shooting and a minor case of stage fright before an opening crowd of some 3,000 that caused the raggedness early in the game—plus a good opposing Camp Lee five. Camp Lee lost its first ball game of the young season here Wednesday, having whipped the Quantico Marines, 45-29, Monday, and Greensboro ORD, 45-44, Tuesday. . . . The visitors' George Senesky, All-American, who was supposed to be with them, was shipped overseas about two weeks ago, to the Pacific. It would have been a much different picture had this top-notch performer been along.

State's athletic council unanimously adopted a resolution last week asking that football relations between that school and Carolina be restored in 1946. (The last game played between the Tar Heels and Red Terrors was in 1943.)

We think it would be a good idea if the rivalry was renewed, but Tennessee was scheduled on a six-year contract in place of State, and it might offer serious problems to the Carolina athletic department to swing such a move. At least it's something to think over.

The flu epidemic has been taking its toll of students during the past week, and several athletic events have had to be cancelled, as have all physical education classes. . . . But varsity sports are being continued, wrestling, boxing, track and basketball. . . . The indoor trackmen will have to work on the boards out of doors unless the University can find some place else to store its excess supplies. The Tin Can, which normally houses the 220-yard affair, is loaded down with desks, beds and various other articles taken over from the Pre-Flight School. . . . Eddie Teague, tailback with Fitch and Rogers in 1943, was around last week. He should be back with the Tar Heels by next fall if he is successful in getting out of the Marine Corps.

## Mural Wrestling Tourney Put Off Until Next Term

Due to increasing number of flu cases, the intramural wrestling tournament has been postponed until next term, Marvin Allen, director of the program announced yesterday.

The wrestling event was slated to start Monday and quite a lot of interest had been shown before hand in the mat sport, but with advice from the infirmary it was thought best to cancel the mural activity.

The mat tourney, according to Marvin Allen will open just after the Christmas holidays, which means that no intramural sport will be staged until January.

Plans for the play-offs of the tag football tournament are still indefinite due to weather conditions, but it is the hope of the mural department to run off the semi-finals and finals of the grid event sometime next week.

The fraternity play-offs between Phi Gamma Delta and Delta Kappa Epsilon will probably be held next Tuesday. The managers of both tag football teams are requested to contact the intramural department for final notice on the time of the game. The contests were scheduled for this past Tuesday but due to inclement weather, the games were postponed. In the dormitory loop, the Med School and NROTC Second Company won't have a chance to meet until next Thursday since the Med students are away for a short vacation.

## Erickson Assumes Job As Assistant

Charles P. (Chuck) Erickson, who was recently discharged from the Navy with the rank of lieutenant-commander after three and a half years of service, has returned to Carolina in the new capacity of assistant to Athletic Director R. A. Fetzter, who made the announcement.

He will give up his former coaching duties and devote his entire time to his new business and administrative duties as first assistant and righthand man to Fetzter.

Erickson, who received his B.S. degree here in 1931, was an outstanding back on Carolina elevens from 1928-30.

Before receiving his commission, he served for several years as freshman coach, varsity backfield coach, and head golf coach.

During his three and one-half years in the Navy, Commander Erickson held several important administrative posts.



Pictured above are six men who engineered the Tar Heel football team through the just finished season, which saw the locals win five and lose five games. This sextet got Carolina back on the victory road, and they gave promise of better things to come. They are, left to right, bottom row: Russ Murphey, backfield coach; Carl Snavelly, head coach; Max Reed, line coach; back row, Chuck Quinlan, head trainer; Charley Jamerson, end coach; and Doc White, assistant trainer. Absent are Stretch Howell and Peanut Doak, both of whom helped out in several capacities.

## Blue Dolphins Met Marines Yesterday

Coach Willis Casey sent his Blue Dolphins against a star-studded swimming crew from Camp Lejeune yesterday afternoon in Bowman Gray Memorial Pool and the results of the meet were not available at press time.

The Leathernecks were coached by Billy Kelly, outstanding member of last year's undefeated Dolphin team, who paced the visitors in the breaststroke and freestyle departments.

Carolina's tank team was sparked by veterans back from last season which included Ben Ward, Dick Twining, Jack Zimmerman and Mike Morrow. Bob Jenkins, vet of the summer swimming squad, swam in the distance events. Ed Schumate, member of the 1942 squad entered the breaststroke and freestyle races. Snooky Proctor missed yesterday's meet due to flu.

## Ranson's Runners Enjoy Week's Rest

Coach Dale Ranson's indoor tracksters have enjoyed a well-earned rest this past week, being forced to remain idle because of the inclement weather. With the cinder track now in bad condition the Tar Heel runners will soon switch to the board track. It is doubtful whether consistent daily practice can be continued throughout the winter unless the Tin Can is made available.

The extensive schedule of indoor meets will get under way in late January. It is planned also to enter a two mile relay team in several of the big meets in Madison Square Garden. If possible some individual entrants will also be entered.

## Wrestlers Injured As Work Continues

With two men on the injured list, the Carolina wrestling candidates are continuing to hold workouts, in spite of the flu epidemic. The first meet of the season is slated for January 14th, with Duke.

Frank Williams, who didn't letter but wrestled in one meet last year, is having to take things easy while nursing a hurt knee, and Vic Blue, new 145-pound prospect from Washington, D. C., is also out and may be a total loss for the rest of the season. Blue suffered torn ligaments in his shoulder in workouts last week.

Al Crawford is still taking care of the coaching duties, and is attempting to whip some sort of a team into shape in view of the first meet.

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## Stirnweiss Accepts Post On UNC Coaching Staff

### American League Batting Champion Slated To Serve In Several Capacities As Coach

The second addition to the University of North Carolina Athletic staff to come in two weeks was announced last week, when Director 'Coach Bob' Fetzter and head grid Coach Carl Snavelly revealed that George 'Snuffy' Stirnweiss had been signed to serve in the capacity of assistant on the coaching force.



GEORGE STIRNWEISS

Stirn, who has made a name for himself in the baseball world in five short years, was a football and baseball star here at Carolina in the late 30's, serving as co-captain in 1939-40. The little Dutchman from New York has been playing with the New York Yankees for three years, and last season captured the American league batting championship. He placed third in the voting for most valuable player in the Junior circuit.

The ex-Tar Heel, who has won recognition comparable to all-American in both baseball and football, will serve as general assistant on the North Carolina athletic and physical education staff.

"Stirnweiss is one of the greatest all-round athletes ever developed at Carolina," the University officials added, "and we feel highly fortunate in securing his services for the time he will not be playing baseball."

"In addition to helping out with coaching of football and early baseball," Director Fetzter said, "Stirn will also be available for scouting and contact duties."

Stirnweiss, who has been head coach of football and baseball at Canterbury school in Connecticut for the last three seasons, resigned October 4. He first said that he was going to take things easy during the off-season, but when the offer came from his alma mater, he accepted enthusiastically.

"Say, this is like getting home again," declared the Tar Heels' former ace tailback and infielder. "I spent four of the happiest years of my life here. Baseball has been swell to me, but I always wanted to live in Chapel Hill. Now I've got baseball and Carolina too!"

Charley F. Benbow, Nat Dodson, Henry Lentz, Fred Mallard, Pat McCurrin, Bill Sholar, Richard Stephen, Bill Wardle, Calvin Warren, and Charles Ellison.

## Boxing Team Ends 3rd Week Of Work

The boxing team, under the capable leadership of Del Leatherman, has completed its third week of training for the heavy 1946 schedule, which starts in January.

Ed McGee, former army paratrooper and football player, is one of the bulwarks of this year's team. Ed has had considerable experience, and has won over 100 fights in his fighting career. Another stellar member is versatile Joe Mallard. Joe fought and won two fights last year, with only partial usage of his left arm.

Jim Lodge, another scrappy letterman, who fought his first four fights last year, has showed up very well in practice. Others who have looked exceptionally well in their first three weeks are George Bartling, Paul Gordy, Les McLeod, Gene Roth, Jack Wagoner, Jack Byrd and Wayne K. Brenengen.

Other members of the squad include

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## Jordan, Dillon Lead Triumph Over Camp Lee

### Carnevalemen Win By Score Of 55-40

With one victory already under their belt, the Carolina White Phantoms will tangle with the strong Camp Pickett quint here in Woolleen gym tonight at 8 o'clock. Little is known of the soldier team, but the tilt will be a toss-up, with the camp crew being led by Lt. Bob Mullen, former star of Fordham university.

Starting for the Tar Heels tonight will be Jim Jordan, John Dillon, Bob Paxton, Don Anderson and either Jim Hayworth or Taylor Thorne. Others fighting hard for berths in the starting lineup are Roger Scholbe, Vinny Delorease, Jim White and Red Hughes.

Coach Ben Carnevale's charges opened the season fireworks last Wednesday night here with Camp Lee, and after a low-scoring, rough first half, the Tar Heels found their own after the second half got going and rolled to a one-sided 55-40 triumph.

Camp Lee, whose soldiers put up a good fight in the initial half of the ball game, held an 18-16 lead at intermission, and it wasn't until 12 minutes of the second period had elapsed that the Phants were able to ease up at all.

Four and a half minutes in the second half, Carolina was leading by a one-point, 21-20, margin, and at six minutes the locals were ahead by 25-24. However, with 12 and a half minutes behind them, Carolina had piled up a 10-point lead.

It was the twin threat of All-American Jim Jordan and Johnny Dillon that paved the way for the win, with each lad racking up 15 markers, but Don Anderson added his 12 points and Bob Paxton dropped in nine to give Carolina more than enough to win. Red Hughes and Jim White, two reserves, scored two apiece to round out the scoring.

In addition to the scoring angle, Bob Paxton's work under the basket was probably the most outstanding factor in the win for the Tar Heels. Paxton was in the thick of the fight from beginning to end and controlled the backboard for the majority of the time.

The defending Southern conference champion Phantoms had a hard time getting going early in the game, missing a lot of shots that should have been good, but once the lads from Tar Heelia found the mark, the visiting soldiers were no match for the hosts.

## Chapel Hill Riflemen Meet Thursday Night

The Chapel Hill Rifle Club will meet Thursday evening, December 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the basement of the NROTC Armory. Several matches will be fired, and the range will then be open for target practice.

The club will welcome and share their guns with anyone interested in rifle or pistol shooting. Students and veterans interested in maintaining or developing their marksmanship are particularly urged to come.

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